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Milestones to celebrate in 2015:

- 70 yrs Drummer Class of '45 65 yrs. - Drummer Class of '50 60 yrs - GCMS Class of '55 55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '60 70th Birthday - Class of '63 50 yrs. - GCHS Class of '65 45 yrs. - GCHS Class of '70 40 yrs. - GCHS Class of '75
 - 35 yrs GCHS Class of '80
 - 30 yrs. GCHS Class of '85
 - 25 yrs. GCHS Class of '90

Plans are underway for the class gatherings. Many will include attendance at the 8th Greyhound Festival on Saturday, July 18. More details will come in future issues.

Class of '65 will meet to celebrate their 50th reunion, at the Railside Club on Friday, July 17th, beginning at 6 pm. Notices have been mailed.

Hilda Cramer '53 Stevenson reports that the C**lass of '63** will be celebrating their 70th Birthday at the Festival.

Around Town in May

Gibson City residents are welcoming Spring, with lots of activities. Newly green lawns are being mowed regularly, the trees are sprouting new leaves, flowers are blooming. The city looks terrific after a questionable beginning to the spring Season. WELCOME SPRING !!!

Thanks to Officers Tony Row and Kevin Conrad of the local Police Department, the community can rest a little easier when they apprehended the culprit who was vandalizing homes and businesses last month. Property was returned and the fellow is in jail. Thanks Officers !!! Good job !!!

The Gibson City Rotary Club is taking orders for customized pavers to be used in the North Park project. Drummer Township Cemetery is also taking orders for the memorial bricks or name placement on the tall stones.

May is always full of activities at the school, with graduations at all levels, awards programs, and talent show. Congratulations to all the 59 GCMS graduates of 2015 and those graduates of the lower grades.

CLASS REUNIONS

Class of '75 will hold its 40th year reunion July 17-19 beginning on July 17 at the Sand Trap for a social hour. Saturday, there will be a nine-hole golf scramble at the Railside Golf Course at 10 am, followed by lunch on the patio at 1 pm. Tammy Parsons will be hosting a gathering at her house later. Sunday will see the class for breakfast at the County Kettle.
Class of '90 will gather for their 25th reunion on Saturday, July 18, including a tour of the High School, hosted by GCMS Principal Chris Garard '84.

Greyhound Festival - Saturday, July 18, 2015

Editors Note --Reservations are arriving daily for the 8th Greyhound Festival. Plans are underway to make this another successful event for our returning 'hounds. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions. The event runs smoothly and we make every effort to meet your needs, if we know them. The South Park Camping area is available on a 'first come-first served' basis, but to date, it has been sufficient for those motorhomes and campers who have used the facilities. Remember !!!! Once a Greyhound, Always a Greyhound ! See you in July !!! Keep Smilin' Carla

8th Greyhound Festival...July 18,

2015 Reservation forms are now available on our website. The forms are available locally at Ace Hardware, Hustedt's Jeweler, Moyer District Library, and Load Redi. Doug has prepared our website to allow you to complete the form on-line, print and mail. Details of the day's events are also listed on the website. GCMS Principal Chris Garard '84 is offering group school tours on Saturday from 10 am -2 pm. Meet at the front entrance and you will be escorted thru the school to see the changes. We have contracted with Gibson Telecare to furnish the 'Greyhound Express' during the day's event. Parking will be uptown across from City Hall to the acut of Cibran Masta & Deli

Hall, to the south of Gibson Meats & Deli.

Always say a Prayer (ASAP) for our classmates who are facing health issues (listed or not)

Betty '53 Moser, Jo (Fry '54) Franz, John Peters' 56, Marvin Kumler '58, Nancy (Conover '58) List, RoseAnn (Bridgwater '65) Moore, Pam (Lewis '72) Verdeyen, Doug Carson '75, Tim Gardner Note: Let me know if there is anyone you want added to this list. In order to preserve privacy, only those names are printed that have given me permission to do so.

Thoughts and Prayers to the families of :

<u>Helen Minion -</u> Elliott, IL (May 11, 2015) - survivors include husband Jerry, children Ross (Annamarie), Lenna, Jodi and Ryan (Tara) and brother Bert. Helen and husband Jerry opened the 1st MacDonald's restaurant in Gibson City in 1977.

<u>Ellen Kumler Mears</u> - Bellflower, IL (May 13, 2015) - survivors include children Mary Ellen (John) Leonard, Brian (Kathy) Mears, and Barry (Denise) Mears, brother Tyke (Jane) Kumler and sister Sally Williams and grandchildren Tim (Miranda) Leonard, Ryan (Shannon) Mears, Kellie (David) Pillar, Tim Leonard and Troy (Jean) Leonard and 9 great-grandchildren.

<u>**Rev. Dennis Kollross (class of '66)**</u> Chatham, IL (May 25, 2015) - following a brief illness - survivors include brothers Jack (Susan), and Chuck (Marilyn), many nieces and nephews. Dennis was a true man of God, ministering to many for nearly 34 years, including Parishes in Springfield, Decatur, Mattoon, and Chatham, as well as Chaplain at Millikin University and the Decatur Correctional Center.

John E, Osman (class of '65) Macon, IL (May 28, 2015) - result from a serious fall on May 25 - survivors include wife Diane, sons Peter, Greg and Dion, siblings Jerry (Karen), Jim (Vicki), Caryl Mattingly, Joann (Donnie) Gibbons. John lives on with his generous organ donation to 'Gift of Hope' to at least 5 recipients.

Classmate News

<u>Doug Carson '75,</u> Cocoa, Florida, is currently battling cancer. Siblings Jay Foster, John David Carson, and DuAnne Foster Edwards and additional family have visited Doug to give the support needed.

Cards would be appreciated. (Address is excluded due to privacy.)

Email DuAnne at <u>edwardsdu@charter.net</u> to get his address.

Congratulations to ALL the grand babies born into our Greyhound family. Lots of pictures are being posted on FB....and we can see the children growing up quickly. (And they DO grow up fast !)

Stay Well and Keep Smilin'

Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near..... Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Good friends care for each other, Close friends understand each other,

But...... True friends stay FOREVER..... Beyond words, Beyond distance, Beyond time !

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compiled monthly and posted on our website for your viewing. <u>www.greyhoundfestival.com</u> Send any news to Carla at <u>cmoxley65@mchsi.com</u> or <u>cmoxley47@mediacombb.net</u> Gail (Hahn 58) Hutchcraft at <u>ladybuggc@sbcglobal.net</u>