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Milestones to celebrate in 2016:

70 yrs - Drummer Class of '46

65 yrs. - Drummer Class of '51

60 yrs - GCMS Class of '56

55 yrs. - GCHS Class of '61

70th Birthday - Class of '63

50 yrs. - GCHS Class of '66

65th Birthday - GCHS Class of '69

45 yrs. - GCHS Class of '71

40 yrs. - GCHS Class of '76

35 yrs - GCHS Class of '81

30 yrs. - GCHS Class of '86

25 yrs. - GCHS Class of '91

Plans are underway for the class gatherings.

Many will include attendance at the 8th Greyhound Festival on Saturday, July 18.

Marilyn Riblet reports that **Class of '56** will be celebrating their 60th reunion at the Festival. Notices are forthcoming.

Merry Christmas

to you and your family !!!

News in November

Falcon Football - Ending the season 11-1, the Falcon football team showed amazing talent and outstanding team-work. Congratulations to the team and coaching staff for an exciting season for GCMS !

North Park Memorial Bricks - 4 x 4 Class bricks ordered include GCHS classes of '54,'57, '58, '59, '62, '63, '64, '65, '67, '68, '75, '77, '84, '87, and '91. A 4x8 brick was also ordered for 'Drummer/GCHS Greyhounds'. Several additional bricks were ordered by individuals /families.

Sue Everett will notify us as to when the bricks have been placed. Additional bricks can be ordered in the Spring Of 2016. I'll announce it when the time comes, for those interested.

Greyhound Sweatshirts- will soon be delivered. Those that are to be shipped will be in the mail by Dec. 11th.

Locally, the shirts can be picked up at LoadRedi, Gibson City. Thanks for your support of this project !!!

Dec 31st--last issue of Gibson Courier

Lee Enterprises (owner of the Pantagraph and Gibson Courier) announced that the last edition of the Gibson City Courier will be Dec. 31st. Courier Editor Patti Welander also announced that the Courier will be closing it's office the end of December and ceasing the online Courier in early January 2016. Private sources have asked me, all subscribers and readers of the Courier to email Tim Evans at the Gazette to encourage him to pick up publication of our home-town paper.

Tim's email address is tevans@new-gazette.com.

Please pass this issue to your friends and classmates.
Thanks !!!!**

GREYHOUND NEWS !

Barbara (Crossman '71) Goins recently sent the following note — 'On December 2nd, I retired after 21 years serving with the government of Lee County, Florida. I was very blessed to spend my last 12 years as a Job Training Coordinator helping low-income working women attain new employment at the front desk of a doctor's office through a 7-month class at a technical college. It was tough at times, but I praise God for this very fulfilling career.'

Jim Hoffman '70 also retired in early December and wasted no time heading to Florida for the winter season, having packed their motorhome and tag-along trailer for the trip. A picture on FB shows them sailing along, as they proceed to their destination.

December News !!!

As we go to print, we have had 1 snow so far... that being on November 21st (the night of the Lighted Christmas parade).....although the temps were very cold, there was a good turn-out for this event.

Handel's well-known work, 'Messiah' was presented on Sunday, Dec. 6th, sponsored by the Gibson Area Music Foundation. This year's production was under the production of Willie Summerville of Urbana and dedicated to Val Hunt and Doug Hager, both founding board members since its formation in 2008.

Co-owner Scott Irps of 'Burgers and Beer' is hoping to open its doors before the end of the year at the former home of DGSullivan's in Gibson City.

Gibson VFW and the American Legion are preparing Christmas baskets for distribution in December. Napa Autoparts is now accepting new unwrapped toys, and monetary donations for the 'Toys for Tots' program.

Greyhound Festival - Saturday, July 18, 2015

Thoughts and Prayers to the families of :

May God grant you strength and peace during these difficult days.

Guy Bane (Gibson City -November 11, 2015)- survivors include son Tim (Jody) Bane, daughter Kathy Breeden, 4 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren. Mr. Bane was a US Army Veteran, serving in the Korean War.

James Todd Faker '91 - (Castle Rock, Col - Nov. 12, 2015)_survivors include Brandy and children Wyatt and Savannah Grace, his mother Sharon Faker and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and dear friends.

Charles Freehill- (Melvin, IL -November 15, 2015) - survivors include wife Doris, children Mark (Chris), Teresa, Dave (Deanna), Joe, and Denise (Brian) Grady, sister Anne (John) Zick, brothers Thomas (Barbara), Michael (Joyce), John (Jane) and Dale, 11 grandchildren , 1 great-granddaughter.

Robert Boyce (Gibson City, IL - November 17, 2015)- survivors include children Doug, Dan(Joy) and Karen (Phil) Fanale and 4 grandchildren. Mr. Boyce was a US Navy Veteran of WW2, a police officer in Gibson City and Ford County Coroner.

Marjorie Brotherton (Gibson City- November 19, 2015)- survivors include daughters Linda (Walter) Hatfield and Cheryl (James) Hartnett, granddaughter Suellyn (Myron) Boastick and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Marjorie (Warfield) Nagle - (Gibson City, IL - November 24, 2015)- survivors include children James (Cynthia), Richard (Cindy), Robert (Beverly), David (Carleen) and Kay (Dale) Anderson, sisters Alice Dean (Frank) Polito and Mildred (Fred) Logan, 15 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Juanita Donner Wahls Bennett- (Gibson City, IL - November 28, 2015)- survivors include children Jerry (Ida) , Steve, and Vicki (Alan) Good, 6 grandchildren, 2 step-grandchildren, 18 step-grandchildren and siblings Jessie (Vernon) Roesch and Ivan (Phyllis) Donner.

Editors Note- Please submit any obituaries to Carla. Thank you.

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

Betty '53 Moser, Jo (Fry '54) Franz,
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.

9th Greyhound Festival

Saturday, July 16, 2016
(Annually 3rd Saturday of July)
Mark your calendars now!!! and plan to join us.

7 Cardinal Rules In Life

- 1.) Make peace with your past - so it won't screw up the present.
- 2.) What others think of you.... is none of your business.
- 3.) Time heals almost everything, give it time.
- 4.) Don't compare your life to others...and don't judge them.
You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- 5.) Stop thinking too much. It's alright not to know the answers.
They will come to you when you least expect it.
- 6.) No one is in charge of your happiness, except you !
- 7.) Smile ! You don't own all the problems in the world.

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compiled monthly and posted on our website for your viewing.

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