President’s Letter

Dear Fellow Bobcats:

We thank you for your support through annual dues, miscellaneous contributions, and especially to the many LIFE members that continue to send additional money every year. Also, thank you to members of the Paws, Big Cats, and Top Cat Clubs. Your generosity and the growth of your investment has allowed the GHHSAA to fund $10,000 in scholarships this month. Your generosity also allows the GHHSAA to provide funds to students for other expenses above normal budget items, and to host alumni events. And your contributions, pictures, and comments make this newsletter all that it can be. Thank you!

I am so pleased to announce that the GHHS Legacy Society, formed in 2011, will award $6,000 in scholarships this month. The newest Legacy Society member, Jean Walters MacCluer ’55, will present the first MacCluer $2,500 annual scholarship at the April 21 ceremony. And, the Brotherhood of Rooks will award its two $1,000 scholarships. The scholarship ceremony dates back to 1967. Our community values higher education!

The Class of 2015 becomes the historic 100th graduating class on May 24. We welcome these 79 new alumni into our association. The Class of 2015 is one of the greatest academic and athletic classes in Grandview’s history. The graduation ceremony features Jim Tressel as the keynote speaker. Many alumni speakers dating back to 1930 will also take the podium — each sharing short stories that best capture the GHHS experience during their decade.

The Alumni Night football game will be September, 11. Please join us:

· Wyman Woods – known as “Grandview Woods” to the Old-Timers, anytime between 10am and 5pm.
  · Bring a picnic lunch, enjoy the new shelter house, and reminisce
· High school Open House, 4:30-6:00pm
· Football game, 7:30pm
· Band alumni – with or without instruments – may join the GHHS Marching Band before the game for the Star Spangled Banner and the GHHS Alma Mater
· Cheerleader alumni may join the GHHS cheerleaders and cheer during the first quarter

Homecoming Queens and Courts, Hall-of-Famers, and Distinguished Alumni – and ALL alumni – will be recognized before the game or at half time. Please email me at ghhsaa@hotmail.com, or send a note to PO Box 12116, Columbus, OH 43212, if you plan on attending. Include your name and graduation year.

Many classes will celebrate reunions during the Alumni weekend, and the Class of 1963 will hold its 70th birthday party. It’s going to be a fantastic weekend. We hope to see you there!

Finally, I salute and thank the three people that do the work creating this newsletter: Teri Antolino Williams ’74, Molly Hammer Tanner ’82, and Kathy Koch ’85. They are the dedicated team with true Bobcat spirit that make this newsletter come to life every single time. Go Bobcats,

Tom Smith ’63
naval career and corporate years, Grandview was always in her heart.

She had grown up as the only girl among six Overmyer children, all of whom graduated from GHHS - Jack ’33, Bob ’35, Fritz ’36, Dick ’38, and Bill ’46. And Mary would later marry her Grandview classmate, Jack Fisher ’42. She and Jack had first met as 6th graders. They dated steadily in high school, and when Jack went off to the US Naval Academy, Kitson waited patiently until his graduation in 1946. They were married in the Lincoln Road Chapel of First Community Church.

Jack’s 30-year naval career began and he advanced steadily through the ranks. He retired as a Rear Admiral in charge of all naval facilities in the Pacific. Fifteen years as a corporate executive followed, and eventually Jack and Mary settled in Scottsdale, AZ to a well-deserved retirement.

Their 59-year marriage came to an end when Jack died in 2005 at 81 years old. Mary remained in Arizona, but traveled frequently back to Columbus. She always spent time in Grandview reliving old memories and visiting favorite places such as 1307 Inglis Avenue where she grew up, First Community Church, Grandview Avenue, and especially Grandview Heights High School, where Mary had been a cheerleader and president of the L.A.L. Sorority. On her visits, she would walk the halls, study the class pictures, and always linger at the plaque listing WWII fatalities with so many names that she knew too well. Her visit would end at the Distinguished Alumni pictures where her husband Jack Fisher and special friend Jack Anderson were among the earliest honorees.

Mary is interred at Arlington National Cemetery, VA alongside her husband Jack. Somehow it seems so right, and perhaps so American, that a lifelong journey beginning in a Grandview sixth-grade classroom will end for Mary and Jack in a quiet, peaceful setting overlooking our Capitol.

Thank you to Mary’s brother Bill Overmyer ’46 for this beautiful tribute.

David Mock ’46
Dave graduated from OSU Class of ’50. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the regular army as an infantry officer upon graduation in June of 1950. After indoctrination in Ft. Riley, KS, he was sent to Korea and killed in action very shortly (1-2 weeks) after arrival.

We thank Bob Carter ’46 for this information about GHHS Distinguished Alum Dave Mock.

Jean Chard Brandt ’47
I went to three different high schools, but Grandview was one of my favorites. Elected cheerleader there, but didn’t stay long enough to enjoy it! I graduated from Upper Arlington and then OSU where my cheerleading career started again! Married Kurt Braudt, have five children and five grandsons. Glad to be back in the Grandview crowd and enjoy the lunches every month.

JoAnne Herboltzheimer ’47
My sister Marilyn J. Herboltzheimer “Herbie” ’41 loved Grandview and always felt lucky to be a part of the community spirit.

Maxine Berlin Dillion ’51
Sure do enjoy the newsletter.

Ray Stevenson ’55
Meet Ray Stevenson – a Rook and a GHHSAA Life Member. While a GHHS student, Ray worked part-time at Cousins and Fern, a local hardware store. After college, when jobs were scarce, he was hired by the Broughs Corporation because the branch manager remembered him and his friendly, positive personality from his part-time high school job. After a few years, Ray knew that he did not want to continue working in sales so he took a low level administrative job at Children’s Hospital for a lot less pay. As he worked his way up at Children’s, he found that he enjoyed hospital management and decided to go back to OSU for his MBA. Ray still states that working at Children’s Hospital was the
first job he truly loved. A friend told Ray about an opening at a hospital in Mount Vernon and that was his next stop. From there, he was recruited by Hospital Affiliates, an investor-owned hospital company in Nashville. What a surprise when he learned that the President of that company was Jack Anderson, a distinguished GHHS graduate! While at HA, Ray managed hospitals in the US, Europe, and the Middle East, such as The American Hospital of Paris, Flower Fifth Avenue Hospital in NY, French Hospital of San Francisco, and Tulane University Hospital. He’s quick to point out that he also managed hospitals in towns like Dalhart, Texas and Fort Dodge, Kansas. Ray ultimately joined Charter Medical Corporation in Macon, Georgia where he served as president for seven years. Under his direction, Charter became the leader in Psychiatric and Substance Abuse hospitals. Upon his retirement from Charter in 1985, the company owned 88 hospitals and had 35,000 employees. Currently, Ray lives in Stuart, FL with Ellyn, his wife of 30 years. Over the years, the two became licensed multi-engine instrument-rated pilots, and both hold 100-ton Boat Captain’s licenses. Ray’s two sons and four grandchildren live in Atlanta.

Jean Moore White ’57
Been retired from teaching for 14 years. Keep busy with four grandchildren, volunteering, ladies groups and hobbies. Husband Nat retired seven years ago as an astronomer. We have been in Flagstaff 45 years.

In the Fall 2014 newsletter, Richard Pickett ’43 shared memories about the formation of the ad hoc pep band that played during basketball games. Here is the photo evidence! Cheerleaders include Mary Kitson Overmyer, Kenny Benadum, Louis Kievit, Sara Wesler and Jean Rudy. Swing band members include Junior DeVictor on drums, Bill Fuller on clarinet, Dick Pickett on sax, and Tom Walker on trombone. Thanks for sending in the picture, Dick!
CATMEWS

Rose Marie Wilson Branson ’58
Thanks to the GHHSAA for all of its hard work.

Ginni Jones Miller ’59
Art and I are still living in the “Wild” area of Arkansas. We both attended our class reunion back in Ohio this year. We enjoy living in an area similar to the Hocking Hills of Ohio.

Jeanne Smith Baxter ’59
Since my graduation, I was employed as a secretary for most of my younger years. Am now completely retired and always look forward to the newsletter every few months. I am married and have two children and three grandchildren. Life is good!

Frederick Towns ’59
Here is one of my Great Memories from my days at Grandview. Maybe Mrs. Wolf would give me a passing grade if I'd written it almost 60 years ago. Wait, 60 years? That can't be right.

It’s a beautiful Fall day, a Friday, November 11, Armistice Day, a holiday, so school is not in session. The last football games of the high school season are today and Grandview Heights will meet Upper Arlington mid-afternoon. I’m a freshman and last year was my first full in Grandview so the long-standing rivalry between us and Arlington is new to me.

Classmate David Wood and I decide to go to this game as getting there and back will be easy since the Columbus Transit Company (CTC) has extended the line to Waltham or Guilford in Arlington just for the day. The Arlington High School is one block east from there. It’s now Jones Middle School.

I bought a season ticket last year and this year, but have never attended an away game, so this is my first. With game tickets in hand, we board the yellow-orange bus somewhere along First Avenue and head to Arlington.

Dave and I aren’t the only students heading to the game, but we’re underclassmen and loners as well, so we’re not joining in with the bantering and cheering of the others.

The game is scheduled for 2:00 and I’m not worried about being back in time to deliver my usual afternoon Dispatch route as it was handled in the morning, today being a holiday. (In 1955, both the Dispatch and The Columbus Citizen are afternoon papers, except for holidays.)

Grandview is well-represented on our side of the stadium. I don’t remember much of the game except that we win, twelve to nothing! From the 1956 Highlander I now find that both teams were scoreless in the first half, but Grandview prevailed with six unanswered points in each of the last two quarters.

Cheers, cheers and more cheers all around as we return to the bus stop, awaiting our ride back to Grandview. Others are walking south on Arlington Avenue, cheering and laughing, so Dave says, “Let’s walk back.”

“Do you know the way?” I ask.

“Yeah,” he laughs, like I should too.

The excitement is catching so we add our yells along with all the others. Some cars go by, the riders yelling “Go Grandview,” which we answer with “Yea Grandview.” Some must think we are Arlington students as they make the yells somehow sound superior.

I tell family about the great game and the walk home. This has been a great season for our team, undefeated and CBL Champs. (I just learned what CBL stood for last month.) As we watch Chet Long with the news on WBNS-TV, he puts the icing on today’s cake as he signs off. His parting news, and

GO BOBCATS!

The 1959 football team from the Grandview Yearbook Collection at www.photohio.org.
I paraphrase here, “My daughter will be unhappy tonight. Her Golden Bears fell twelve to nothing this afternoon, at home, to their longtime rival Grandview.”

Linda Wagner Anderson ’59
Enjoying life in the country... Quiet... lots of trees, water and wonderful wildlife. Best to all alumni, especially Class of ’59, and much thanks for including me in your mail-outs.

Eileen Milton Markwood ’61
I just had a wonderful evening with ten of my ’61 girls. So much fun. Then Jim and I spend winter in Fort Myers to enjoy the warm winter.

Cathy D. Penwell ’61
Living. Retired in wine country CA. Brother Ivan ’64 and wife Kara live just around the corner. Brother Fritz ’57 living in NM, NYC & China. All is well. It’s raining which is all I wanted for Christmas. Happy Holidays everyone.

Tom Smith ’63
I was carrying the Citizen in 1955 or 56 when I rode past the Dispatch station to get my friend Jake Reiterman ’63. The Dispatch boys pulled me off my bike, tied me to the tree, spread straw under my feet and took out their lighters. Clarence or Kelly came running out and told them to stop that right now! I said to him, “Do you have any Dispatch routes open?” The next week I started carrying the Dispatch.

Karen Devor Linn ’65
Selling our house in Cayman Islands, but will get away from winter at Mexico Beach, FL. Still docent at Columbus Zoo - 20 years!

Jeff McDevitt ’65
Now that I am retired for the third time, there is a lot to look back on.
Over the many years, I worked as a county vocational education coordinator, social studies teacher in public schools and our Florida prison system, state investigator, support coordinator V for the state, teaching Law and Government, Language Arts, Deputy for Leon County, in Tallahassee on their body recovery team, and the list goes on. Left Grandview in 1965 for the Air Force and never looked back. Well, ok, I did go back last summer and talked with Tom Smith ’63 and went through the school. Lots has changed and I could not get over how everything appears smaller when one grows larger. LOL The pictures I am including are from teaching and then law enforcement. I started on with our Sheriff’s Department in January. I just cannot sit around.

Jane Henry Pearson ’66
The arrival of the latest edition of the newsletter reminded me that I should have reported the passing December 21, 2013 of my cousin Ken Gebhart ’63.

Paula Mascari Mathew ’66
Married 12 years to Jay Mathew ’66. Devoted OSU basketball fans and attend all home games. Spend every day caring for 70 abandoned community cats and assist animal rescue groups in TRN (trap, neuter, return).

B. Kaye DeWilde Beckner ’70
I’m enjoying substitute teaching in high school after retirement from teaching elementary grades. Our most enjoyment comes from our 2-year old granddaughter, and we’re excited about the one on the way. Hope to visit Alumni Weekend in September.

Jeff McDevitt ’65
Katie Wiseman ’98
Since I was a little girl, I have had a love of flowers. Walking around the neighborhood, I was the little girl who clipped flowers out of your yard and turned around to sell them back to you as a bouquet.
When I left Columbus for Seattle in late 2002 I was clueless in what I wanted to do. My family was pushing me towards being a chef. And I looked into taking classes at the Art Institute, but I didn’t want to go into debt with student loans. So I hit the streets for a job. After a long day of rejections, I happened upon a small flower shop in Pike Place Market. I asked if they needed help. It was the week before Valentine’s Day. They hired me on the spot! I continued to work in the floral trade for all my entire 20’s, including time in the “Dark Side” of the flower business – at

Terri Hughes Harwood ’85
Still living in Wild and Wonderful WV with my husband, Jason, and 5-year old son Jack. Loving being a wife and mom to my two favorite boys. Also enjoy working in HR for a coal mine. Never a dull moment. Peace and love to all!

Katie Wiseman ’98

Then I met my boyfriend Geoff. From the first bouquet he saw, he encouraged me to start my own business. With Seattle’s high rent and overhead, the idea of a shop was scary and I wasn’t too sure if I was ready for that. Then he said the magic words, “How about a flower truck?”

With help from all my loved ones, I launched Seattle Flower Truck last September. The day before our grand opening event, we blew out the engine wall. Toast. Kaplooie. Finished. But, I wasn’t giving up. I had Mel – that is the truck’s name – I had Mel towed to the event!

Fast forward to April. We have a brand new engine and a truck full of flowers, and we are getting busier as spring arrives. The Seattle Flower Truck makes it easy and convenient to get fresh cut flowers with an artistic style delivered seven days a week. We do weddings and events, and in a few months, we’re starting flower design classes!

If you ever need to send flowers to someone you know in Seattle, just give us a call, 206-FLOWERS and tell us that you’re a Bobcat! Connect with us at http://www.seattleflowertruck.com/. Go ‘Cats!

**Stephanie Hord Catanzaro ’00**
I teach music between two school districts and have a photography business. I have been married for eight years. I can’t believe it has been that long!

We live north of Cincinnati. My husband is the Athletic Director for Monroe City Schools, so it definitely keeps us busy!

**Mary Williams ’04**
Taking classes to further my education in the field of exercise science. I enjoy working out and recently competed in the Arnold Sports classic on a four-person Crossfit Team finishing in the top 10!

**Gretchen M. Giltner ’12**
I am a junior at Denison University where I am studying biology and art history. The semester is going well. Next semester I will be studying abroad in Copenhagen, Denmark! I will be living with a host family and attending the Danish Institute for Study Abroad. Can’t wait!
10th for 2005
Saturday, December 26
Location TBA, 8-11pm
Contact Michael Luczyk, mluczyk@gmail.com

15th for 2000
Friday, September 11
Alumni Night football game
Post-game location TBD
Join Facebook page, Grandview Heights Class of 2000:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/60597727201
Contact Kris Luikart, kris.luikart@gmail.com

Do you have contact info for these Class of 2000 alums?
Contact Kris Luikart, kris.luikart@gmail.com with details.

Erin Anstaett
Nick Culler
Curt Dewy
Lisa Finley
Stephanie Fogel
Pete Fusco
Carson Garhart
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Sara Hunsinger
Nick Jewett
Adam Jones
Erin Mayo
Greg McMahon
Tom Mench
Mike Miller
John Shoemaker
Melissa Simpson
Dustin Smurdon
Virginia Titus

20th for 1995
Date and details TBD
Join Facebook page,
https://www.facebook.com/groups/1569002690032338/
Contact Ellen Kosnick,
ekosnik@att.net or 614.565.9994

25th for 1990
Friday, September 11
Alumni Night football game
Tailgate 5pm, class photo 6pm, game 7:30pm
Saturday September 12
Details TBD
Join Facebook page, GHHS Class of 1990 25th Class Reunion,
Contact Amy Adams Jackson, ajack1222@gmail.com or Susan Ruhl Price, shuep@hotmail.com

40th for 1975
Friday, September 11
Alumni Night football game,
7:30pm
Tour high school, 4:30-6pm, football game, 7:30
Post-game at Ox Roast
Saturday, September 12
Woodlands Backyard, 7pm, Cash bar/food
Contact Bill Moore, 614.404.4212, billwmoore@sbcglobal.com

45th for 1970
Saturday, September 12
Our Lady of Victory Church, 6:30-10:30pm
Catered dinner and party
Contact Drew Todd, dtodds52@gmail.com

50th for 1965
Friday, September 3
Smokehouse Brewing Co.
Saturday, September 4
Courtyard by Marriott, Hilliard
Sunday, September 5
Picnic
Contact, Alice McKeever, 614.877.1656

Happy 70th Birthday Class of 1963
Thursday, September 10
Ladies luncheon, golf outing
Friday, September 11
Wyman Woods day gathering, Alumni Night football game, Post-game fun
Saturday September 12
Breakfast, tour Edison & Larry Larson Middle School
Evening event at the GAC
Contact Tom Smith, 614.499.7449,
bbrow34@columbus.rr.com

55th for 1960
Friday, September 11
Wyman Woods Shelter House, 12-2pm, pack a lunch/beverage
Tour high school, 4:30-6pm
Alumni Night football game, 7:30pm
Saturday, September 12
TBD
Contact Susan Fries,
susan.fries@comcast.net

60th for 1955
Friday, October 2
Football game, 7:30pm
Post-game gathering at Bob Peter’s home
Saturday, October 3
Wyman Woods Shelter House, lunch, 11am
Hilton Garden Inn, Social hour, 6pm & dinner, 7pm
Sunday, October 4
Hilton Garden Inn, brunch, 10am
Contact Nancy Turner Bachman, nbachman@columbus.rr.com
Tom,

My eyes were drippy as I read and reread the recent newsletter. Your President’s Letter got those eyeballs going to wet before I even got into the meat of the newsletter. Quite a few of my old friends – Dick Pickett ’43, Bob Wassem ’45, Dave Hummel ’46, “Woody” Hoge ’47 – made comments. It was a valuable ‘lift’ to my attitude today.

Some years ago, I paid my executive secretary a fee for transcribing my notes that were the body of a “family book” that I published for my family members about growing up in Grandview Heights. Yes, I carefully edited out what might have been considered the more scandalous episodes of my life. Halloween was, itself, the event that pitted the good kids against the monsters in Grandview... and so I injected stories of the tricks we employed to tease/taunt those monsters.

Stephanie, my secretary, came into my office one afternoon to discuss some questions she had about the ‘monsters’. She began by stating that she had never read a story about such an idyllic community. She accepted my Halloween stories as simple “good fun” although I still regard our teasing of angry neighbors a bit over the top. My conversations with Stephanie still comes to mind when I think about my early life. In many respects, I felt nurtured by my loving neighbors and the wonderful teachers that we learned from. It’s obvious to me that there were many other classmates who, through the years, have concluded the same. Grandview Heights was such a happy place to live and grow.

- Nero

Dear Nero –

Grandview was and is one of the greatest places to grow up in the world. My five grandsons are living that life right now and the community is even closer. All the kids go to Stevenson from K to 3rd and to Edison from 4th to 6th, so they form the bond earlier than we did.

As you probably know, Steve Hall passed away this winter. A beloved math teacher and coach, he fought cancer for almost two years. His son and my middle grandson play on the JV basketball team as freshmen. Steve attended a game weak and hurting, but he wanted to see one more game. The community had fundraisers for Steve and his family, and on Christmas Eve approximately 200 students sang carols at his house on First Avenue...

Yes, Halloween was always my favorite holiday with houses so close together for “begging”. We scored enough sweets to last until Christmas. In my era, the specialty was “pinning” horns –putting a small branch between the steering wheel and horn – and running like hell. I was pretty small and fast, and was a legend in my own mind pinning horns. My best friend Scott Anderson was a big kid, and the first time he tried pinning a horn the owner was laying down in the car waiting. He grabbed Scott’s arm and that was the last time Scott ever pinned horns! During that time of year, I always had an Ivory soap bar in my pocket. Life is good!

- Tom

PS Happy 70th Reunion, Nero!
Stay in Touch

Stay in touch with the GHHSAA:
Email: ghhsaa@hotmail.com
Website: www.grandviewheightsalumni.com
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For a digital walk down memory lane, most of the Highlanders are online:
http://contentdm.photohio.org/cdm/search/collection/ghhs_yb/cosuppress/

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Let us hear from you so we can keep your fellow Bobcats updated!

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Please submit updated addresses for you, siblings and/or your GHHS Alumni children.
Contact us via U.S. mail, at www.grandviewheightsalumni.com or email GHHSAA@hotmail.com.
Database updates keep costs down and ensure valid contact information for reunions!

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Deadline for the Fall Edition is July 31, 2015.

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Alford Bradbury was one of the first seven students to graduate from Grandview High School. He was the first Editor in Chief of the Highlander - the school paper, not yet the yearbook. Several issues were published during the school year. Alford's picture was the first photograph ever to be published in the Highlander. It appeared in Volume 1, Issue 3 together with the disclaimer the faculty adviser and the printer overruled Alford's desire not to publish his own photograph. By May of 1917, senior class pictures became a regular feature of the Highlander.

Photo courtesy of GH/MC Historical Society.
On May 24, GHHS will recognize the 100th graduating class in a ceremony that will be reflective and memorable. The class of 2015 is truly a special class and one that embodies all the characteristics, traits, and qualities of "the Bobcat Way". It is very fitting that this truly unique and honorable class will receive diplomas as the 100th class – a truly commemorative day and a truly commemorative class.

Since November 2013, Principal Ken Chaffin has been meeting with community members, parents, alumni, students, teachers, library staff, and city officials to create and enact plans for a year-long celebration of the storied GHHS history, all culminating in the 100th commencement. This past fall, Alumni Night and Homecoming kicked off the celebration. Both events brought hundreds of GHHS alumni back to tour the high school and be recognized at the Alumni Night football game. Alumni dating all the way back to the 1930’s attended.

In addition to those nights, there have been countless tours, celebrations, and receptions all designed to rally the alumni and commemorate a century of excellence.

At the 2015 graduation ceremony, the featured speaker will be former OSU coach Jim Tressel who led The Ohio State University football team to three BCS National Football Championship game appearances including winning the National Championship in 2003. Prior to coaching at OSU, Coach Tressel led Youngstown State University to 4 NCAA Division I-A National Championships. Mr. Tressel is now the president of Youngstown State University and one of the strongest advocates for education and quality student life that you will ever find in all the nation.

We will also hear brief comments from alumni dating back to graduating classes in the 1930’s with one speaker representing each decade. We are excited to celebrate 100 years of GHHS graduates and the legacy we have all enjoyed, but most importantly to honor the Class of 2015.

It is an incredible time to be a Bobcat!
The Harding Building
Built in 1895, this building was Grandview’s first school building and was called the Harding Building. When Grandview Elementary School was built in 1911, the Harding Building became the high school. The building was razed in 1930. It stood at the current location of the kindergarten annex on Fairview Avenue.
Please consider receiving the alumni newsletter via email. We love producing it for you. We want you to get your news first and fast, and nothing is faster for news delivery than the Internet.

Going green is good for the planet and it’s good for current GHHS students. If we print less and mail less, your funding does more. We can spend less dollars on the newsletter and more on the kids, the scholarships, and alumni activities. Each individual newsletter costs $0.96 including postage. We send out over 4,000 of them three times a year. That’s $12,000 – TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. Every person that opts-in for the electronic version saves us $3 per year and that adds up quick. That’s a whole lot of green we could redirect to other activities if you go green.

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FACEBOOK
You’ll find lots more Alumni news when you join us on Facebook at the official Grandview Heights Alumni Association page, https://www.facebook.com/GHHSAA.

Calendar

Tuesday, April 21
GHHS Scholarship Award Ceremony
Auditorium, 8pm

Friday, April 24
Alumni Luncheon

Sunday, May 16
Alumni softball game
6pm

Thursday, May 21
Memorial Day Ceremony and Soldier Statue dedication
NW, Oxley & Second Ave, 7:30pm

Friday, May 22
Alumni Luncheon

Saturday, May 23
GH Memorial Day Parade Cambridge and First, 10am Walk or ride

Sunday, May 24
GHHS Class of 2015 100th Class Graduation GHHS Football Stadium, 4pm Keynote by Jim Tressel

Friday, June 26
Alumni Luncheon

Friday, July 24
Alumni Luncheon

Wednesday, August 12
GHHSAA General Meeting & Board Meeting

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Friday, October 23
Alumni Luncheon

Last luncheon for 2015
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We take our fiduciary responsibility seriously. You can see the good work your funding accomplishes including this newsletter, alumni events, the website, support of current student activities, improvements and supplies not available in the regular budget (Robotics, Art, Band, special requests, etc.), and scholarships, scholarships and more scholarships. Your support ensures we stay connected and together we help continue the legacy that makes us all proud to be a Bobcat.

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**Life Members**

Dave Walton ’62
Jeannie Smathers Walton ’64
Bill Fauth ’67
Kaye DeWilde Beckner ’70
Christine Kidwell ’73

**Big Cats Club**

Bill Overmyer ’46
JoAnne Herbolzheimer ’47
Lois Ramsey Goodell ’51
Al Short ’51
Jean Moore White ’57
Ruskin B Lawyer ’58
Bill Sears ’59
Gretchen Tangeman ’61
Karen DeVore Linn ’65
Valerie James Stills ’65
Linda Pulliam Sayers ’65
Terri Hughes Harwood ’85

**Paws Club**

Carolyn Lewis Konold ’44
Marilyn Andrews Edwards ’47
Ginni Jones Miller ’59
Penny Lanich Morey ’67
Sue Gloyd ’69

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**In Memoriam**

Herbert Zeller ’42
and Stanley Zeller ’43
John Hartwell ’43
Kitson Overmyer Fisher ’42
Marilyn J. Herbolzheimer “Herbie” ’41
Janette Walcutt Gemeinhardt ’48
Jeanette Gemeinhardt ’48
Donna Shaeffer Ewing ’53
Randy Sines ’61
John G. Shough ’52
Mary Lou Gebhardt ’59
Jeanne Leach McAdams ’59
John G. Shough ’52
John G. Shough ’52
Helen Beals Boundy ’59
Linda Miller, wife of Mike Miller ’65
James “Jim” James ’72
Marilyn James Scott 73
Hank K. Yaggi ’61
Ken Gebhardt ’63
John G. Shough ’52
Rick J. Morris ’74

**In Honor of**

Harold Leland Ramsey ’44,
Bob Close, Class of 1942
Penwell Family

by Constance Zeller Hollingsworth ’40
by Robert Andrews ’43
by Bill Overmyer ’46
by JoAnne Herbolzheimer ’47
by Bill ’46 and Diana Gonser Arthur ’48
by Lois M. Ramsey Goodell ’51
by Martha Hager Berlin ’53
by Sandy Sines Verrilli ’56
by James A. Shough ’57
by Janice Shough Hays ’59
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by Jere R. Shough ’59
by Linda Wagner Anderson ’59
by George A. George ’65
by Valerie James Stills ’65
by Valerie James Stills ’65
by Linda Pulliam Sayers ’65
by Jane Henry Pearson ’66
by Jeffery C. Shough ’68
by Barbara Wright ’72

by Lois M. Ramsey Goodell ’51
by Richard Louis Ramsey
by Carolyn Close Rudsenske ’54
by Cathy D. Penwell ’61

**Deceased GHHSAA**

December 2014 – March 2015
Bettie Ann Horner Beckett ’37
Kitson Overmyer Fisher ’42
John Hartwell ’43
Tom Sutphen ’43
Jeanne Weisert Brown ’44
Jack Melville ’45
Ada Wall Neu ’46
Edwin “Ted” Poulton ’47
LaVerne Ryder Cunningham ’48
Nancy Janette Walcutt Gemeinhardt ’48
Richard “Dick” Eagle ’49
Mike Nye ’54
David Baron ’56
Ken Gebhardt ’63
Libbie Aquila Taylor ’67
Patricia Johnson Faustini ’68
Debbie Eisert Davis ’70
Steve Hall – Teacher & Coach
Christopher Lynn McCabe

Chris McCabe ’76 earned five varsity letters – three in basketball and two in tennis. Chris was coached by basketball varsity coach Marv Gregory, JV coach Jim Tatman, junior high coach Clarke Haren, and tennis coach William McGhee.

Chris was the recipient of numerous awards during his basketball career including junior year Honorable Mention All-District; First Team All-Metro League; 2nd Leading Scorer Metro League; and he received the WMNI Radio Big Man of Basketball Award. His brothers Harry and Larry, and sister Kathy, are also Grandview alumni. Chris is an OSU graduate and is married to his wife Jolene, and he has a son, Kyle. Congratulations Chris!

Johnny Vogel

Johnny Vogel ’03 earned eight Varsity letters during his impressive high school athletic career. He earned one letter on the football gridiron during his freshman year, and three letters in soccer as a sophomore, junior and senior. While he found success in football and soccer, Vogel made his mark in wrestling. As a four-year letter winner, he earned several awards including First Team All-District in 2000; First-Team All-League; and B.A.C. League MVP in 2001, 2002 and 2003; First-Team All-Metro in the 145 lb. weight class in 2003; the Central District’s Division III 2003 Wrestler of the Year. He was named an All-State wrestler three times during his career.

Vogel won numerous championships at Grandview and was a District Champion in 2001, 2002, and 2003, and built off of that success leading into the annual state tournament. Coached by fellow Grandview 2015 Sports Hall of Fame inductee Andy DiSabato, Vogel was a four-time state qualifier. He placed sixth in 2001 and was a back-to-back State Champion in 2002 and 2003. And he was a member of the 2002 Grandview wrestling team which finished third in the state tournament that year.

He continued his wrestling career at The Ohio State University and graduated in 2007. He is the son of Dan and Nancy Vogel. Sisters Michelle and Anna are also Grandview alumni. Congratulations Johnny!

Andy DiSabato

Andy DiSabato is welcomed into the Sports Hall of Fame for his stellar performance and dedication as a Grandview wrestling coach.

Andy attended St. Francis DeSales high school where he was a 1974 State Champion wrestler and high school All-American. Next, Andy spent 12 years at The Ohio State University first as a student-athlete placing third in the 1977 NCAA wrestling championships and earning All-American honors. He was the first OSU wrestler to be a four-time NCAA championship qualifier. He went on to become a Buckeye assistant wrestling coach.

Andy took over the Grandview wrestling program in 1987 until 2011. During his tenure at GHHS, his teams won eleven league titles; seven sectional titles; and four district championships. His wrestling Bobcats always had a presence in the annual state tournament. He coached 24 state placers, 48 state qualifiers, and four state champions. He also had four teams finish in the top five during state tournaments. Andy was the recipient of numerous coaching awards during his career at Grandview including ten-time League Coach of the Year; three time All-Metro Coach of the Year; five time District Coach of the Year; State Coach of the Year; and induction into the Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Hall of Fame. He also served as president of the Ohio High School Wrestling Coaches Association. Congratulations Andy! Thank you for your dedication and service to the students of GHHS.
The GHHSAA is honored to introduce to you the newest member of the GHHSAA Legacy Society: Jean W. MacCluer ’55. Dr. MacCluer will present the first annual $2,500 MacCluer Scholarship this spring. Please enjoy learning our Dr. MacCluer – a truly impressive Bobcat.

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In my last year at Ohio State, I took a genetics course and it fascinated me. We moved to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor where I became a graduate student in the Department of Human Genetics. I received my PhD in 1968 and I remained at Michigan as a Research Associate for a couple of years.

While at Michigan, I met another graduate student, Bennett Dyke, and in 1971 we moved to Penn State, where I became a member of the Biology Department faculty and taught courses in genetics. Then, in 1977, a life-changing event happened: I was invited to spend a year as a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford. I spent the year at this stimulating, relaxing, amazing place with my only obligations being to interact with the other Fellows and do my own research. Amazing! I left there knowing it was time for my career to move in a new direction and I began looking around.

In 1981, I accepted a position at the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, a private research organization in San Antonio, Texas. Bennett and I moved to Texas as the first hires recruited by the chairman of the developing Department of Genetics. We developed active research programs funded by the National Institutes of Health. My focus was on the genetics of common diseases like heart disease, diabetes, and obesity in minority populations such as Mexican Americans, American Indians, and Alaska natives.

I retired at the end of 2008. In 2009, Bennett and I moved to a house on a hill. We collect all of our water from rain and generate half of our electricity from solar panels. Life is good.

From the GHHSAA: Thank you Dr. MacCluer for your tremendous generosity in joining the GHHSAA Legacy Society. We hope many graduates follow your tremendous example in higher education and career achievement. You are an inspiration to current students and alumni alike. Again, thank you.

Jean W. MacCluer, present day

In her own words…

I didn’t realize how difficult it is to write a four-paragraph autobiography! I’m a Grandview girl and that’s where it starts. When I was born, my parents lived in an apartment on Third Avenue. On my second birthday, we moved to 961 McClain Road where my family lived until 2000. I went to Grandview for my K-12 education – starting with Robert Louis Stevenson Elementary until I graduated as a proud Bobcat with the Class of 1955.

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Jean W. MacCluer, 1955
Dear Bobcats,

College and Career Readiness is a topic that is critical to any school district and community that is serious about their students being successful beyond their K-12 experience. In the GHCSD Fall 2014 survey of parents and community members, college and career readiness surfaced as the #1 most important topic. Here, I share many of the things that have been happening at GHHS, and I also present a K-12 update on College and Career Readiness.

Beginning with the 2013-14 school year, GHHS started holding our career speaker series once a month and have continued it throughout the 2014-15 school year. Students have the choice of three career speakers to choose from and they select the two that most align with their interests and passions. The careers of those speakers range from doctors, lawyers, mechanics, medical assistants, and even included the owner of a dog-walking business! Our speakers are often local professionals from a given career field, and we also use GHHS alumni as often as possible. We have found that it’s valuable for our students to learn about exciting aspects of a given profession, but there is also value in our students learning what the less desirable aspects are so they can begin eliminating career paths that would be a bad fit. It is important that students understand factors that may sway them away from a profession prior to committing time and money to credentials or schooling for a career.

Other new initiatives at GHHS designed to further integrate college and career readiness are a new required course for freshman beginning with the class of 2018 called Freshman Seminar, and an annual college forum of past graduates that started in the spring of 2014. Freshman Seminar has important foundational pieces integrated into the course that all students need to have to best prepare themselves for the next step. For example, it is important that they need to answer questions for themselves like "Who am I?" and "What am I most passionate about?" that they need to fuel and guide their scheduling path and what they graduate to after leaving GHHS. The college forum is an opportunity for current GHHS students to learn from those who came before them and get insight and advice on not only the college selection process, but also the skills they need most.

We are working on the final steps in tracking student success post-graduation through a program called Student Tracker that will give us important data that will help us better calibrate our efforts to impact our students. Our college and career counselor Mrs. O’Shaughnessy also began 5 “March Madness” sessions for all Juniors with the following topics:

March 06, 2015 Competitive College Admissions
March 10, 2015 Testing and Test Prep
March 18, 2015 College Applications and Stress Management
March 20, 2015 Campus Visits
March 25, 2015 Regrets and General Advice

One of the most important college readiness benchmarks for high school students is the rigor of coursework in the classes they take in high school. Moving to an additional period (8 period) schedule at the beginning of the 2014-15 school year, and our new board-approved grading scale that becomes active with the 2015-2016 school year, have already had an impact on the amount of students signing up for AP courses. In 2011, GHHS had a total of 24 students who were enrolled in an AP course. In 2014-15, we had a total of 111 students enrolled and it looks like we will again grow AP enrollment based on preliminary scheduling. In addition to increased AP enrollment, we have added four AP courses in the past two years and have plans to add two more in the 2016-2017 school year.

In addition to these efforts, our school counselor Bryan Stork and College and Career Counselor Jane O’Shaughnessy have dialogued with school counselors at RLS and EI/LLMS to increase vertical articulation and continuity within our district.

We continue to evolve ensuring that today’s Bobcat graduates are as impressive as those who have gone before them.

PTBB!
Ken Chaffin
Principal of Grandview Heights High School
Both of these photos were taken at Brotherhood of Rooks dinners. The annual affairs were immensely popular and, for many, a wonderful reason to travel back to Columbus. They were like miniature reunions.

The men pictured are Class of ’45 classmates and they lined up one day some years ago for a second photo to mimic the original. Bill Pickett was the one with a grasp of historic accuracy. Al Andrews had stellar recall of everything that he and Bob McNabb had done as “Skunks”. Jim Rook was the ‘serious’ guy and a great vocalist. Then there is Bob McNabb - a frequent contributor for this publication. To Bob’s left the is one and only “Tank” Karlovec. Tank was the glue that made the ‘retired’ Rooks a very cohesive group that continued the traditional Rooks Banquet each year.

The Rooks officially disbanded in the late ’60s, and the Brothers miss those who have passed on, yet the banquet tradition continues every August with a golf outing and a fun celebration that draws a big crowd. All are welcome!

Two years ago, Jody Tremaine Fuller ’44 and Bill Fuller ’43 suggested that we recognize the 70th anniversary of each GHHS graduating class. We loved the idea.

We present to you the official roster of the Class of 1945.

JOHN ALFORD
BOB ALLEN
AL ANDREWS
SHIRLEY ARTHUR HATCH
SALLY BAKER COADY
HELEN BECKERT RILEY
ALICE BLAND WHIPPLE
JIM BOYER
CHARLENE CASE KAUPKE
JUDY CASH VIAU
JOHN CAVENDISH
ROBERT CHIDESTER
DICK CLEARY
JIM CLIFTON
SHIRLEY CLOSE GARDNER
SAM CONAWAY
JAMES CROZIER
JERRY COWAN
ROSEMARY EVERTS
MARGARET FEE SCHAFER
JUDITH FORNEY ELLIOTT
PEGGE GAMMILL PASQUALONE
DORIS GILBERT COOPER
BARBARA GORDON KEITH
Marilyn HALE EDWARDS
ANNE HARROLD AIKENS
JACK HART
RALPH HAVENFIELD
LOIS HERRING SWART
JEAN HOUSTON TODD
JOE HUSTON
ROBERT JOHNSON
MORGAN JONES
GENE KARLOVEC
PATTY KEPLAR BIRKMEYER
JO ANN LATIMER CONAWAY
KNELLINGER
DON LEE
AL LEFAIVRE
DICK LENDER
JERRY MACFARLANE
BOB MCNABB
NORMA MALVICK
PAULINE MATTIS LAKIS
JOHN MCCLASKEY
ANGELA MCGRAH AILES
JACK MELVILLE
RITA MURDAY TEWELL
LOIS MURDOCK EARLES
BARBARA OLHOFF COWIE
JOHN T. PARKER
JIM PAVEY
BILL Pickett
JACK PIPER
RUTH RAYMAKER WICHERGS
JOHN REED
KATHLEEN REILLY
WANDA RINE
CAROLYN ROBISON LAUTZEN-HEISER
BOB ROOF
JIM ROOK
ELEANOR MAE ROWLAND
JOANN RYAN CARR
JACK SARVER
MIRIAM SCHAKE HUSTON
DICK SEIPLE
BOB SHAW
PHILIP E. SHERCK
MARJORIE SHILLING
BILL SIMS
ROBERT SKEELE
NINA JEANNE SMITH
JANE ANN STRATTON ALSPACH
BARBARA TODD ANDREWS
DOLORES TODD SULLWOLD
JUNIA TOTTEN KAURER
SAM VILARDO
BOB WASEM
CHARLES WELSH
MARGARET WETZEL KELLEY
PAUL WILSON
PATTY WOLFORD DUNCAN
NANCY YERGES COREY
NANCY YOUNG ORR

On Sunday, May 17, 6pm at Pierce Field, the alumni softball team members will play the current GHHS varsity team to raise funds for the softball program. Shonda Wells ’91 will coach the alumni team. More information will be made available as plans firm up. Check out the event details on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/events/1422821701348603/.

Jean Holder sent in this great snapshot and says that it’s the 1947 football team up on the truck. She identified the boys in front as Dave Purkey, Eddie Smith, Jim Brown, Larry Conaway, and one of the Rudy boys. She thinks it is Jim Devlin, Ray Foster and another Rudy boy in back. Cheerleaders in white are seniors Mary Ellen Taggart ‘47 and Monette Sawyers ‘47. Cheerleaders in blue are Jim McVey ’48, Rita Lee 48’, Nadys Lewis ’48 and Jeanne Jones ’48.

Ted Rudy said, “My memory is the team went undefeated and averaged about 30 points to the other team’s 3 points or so. That class also went to the district finals in basketball and won the league in baseball.”

Can you help identify the students pictured?
GHHS Baseball
1922

When this photograph was taken in 1922, the GHS baseball team was the youngest sport in the district. What had been a rather lackluster beginning, changed with the arrival of Roy Ohnsman (left). He was a talented, strong, freshman pitcher. His back-up pitcher was senior Nor Simons (right) who also played first base. By the time Ohnsman graduated, the GHS yearbook noted that the team was winning a majority of their games. The photograph is from the Alleyne Higgs Jones collection. The precise location of the photograph is not known, but clearly indicates that residential streets were heavily rutted with mud tracks.

Photo courtesy of GH/MC Historical Society.