



Greenfield High School Alumni Association

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Reuniting with our Past; Investing in the Future

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G.H.S. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT:

The GHSAA was organized in October of 2001 to find ways to enhance the educational experience offered at Greenfield High School and to create a family of GHS alumni and friends of public education. We will work to increase awareness of the achievements and activities of alumni and present GHS students. We will maintain an association of graduates and create connections to our local community to develop financial support. We accept donations, gifts, endowments and bequests so we may foster improvements in the programs offered in three areas: technology, academics and athletics. We are volunteers dedicated to enhancing the education offered at GHS.

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR 11/13 TO 11/14:

Cindi Bompastore(1975)President, Susan Oxley(1979)Vice-President, Andie Drew(1970)Secretary, Joseph Lemay(1977)Treasurer, Betty Nee(1952)Membership Coordinator, John Spencer(1958)Website Manager, Steven Lepore(1978) Chairman-Board of Directors, Deb Descavich(1974), Dic Fournier(1978), Drew Hutchison(1989), Bryan Phillips(1972), John Nee, Jr.(72), Bill Smith(1977), Bryan Smith(2002), and Linda Pellitier Smith(1978) are members of the Board of Directors.

PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT (CINDI LEPORE BOMPASTORE 1975)

The new building is taking shape. It's amazing to see it "growing", literally in the front yard of GHS! Since parking is limited, the adjacent streets have seen an increase in parked cars during school or events at the school. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the residents, in the surrounding neighborhood, for their patience during this time. I realize that it is an inconvenience but, it will be well worth it.

The new school and surrounding grounds will be beautiful! It will be great to be able to have events on the new track and enjoy the new auditorium. Currently, the track is budgeted for only six lanes, which limits the meets to regularly scheduled events. The Alumni Association is fundraising for the other two lanes, which has an approximate cost of \$85,000. **NOW** is the time for donations and pledges for the track project. In order to clarify the budget for the eight(8)lane track, any possible funding must be presented to the Building Committee as soon as possible. Letters of funding pledges should be sent or e-mailed to Lane Kelly, Town Treasurer (LaneKel1@greenfield-ma-gov), her address is Greenfield Town Hall, Court Square, Greenfield, MA 01301; and/or Donna Woodcock, GHS Principal&Building Committee Member (donwool@gpsk12.org), her address is GHS, 1 Lenox Avenue, Greenfield, MA 01301. Your donations would be greatly appreciated. Tax deductible donations may be sent to GHS Alumni Association, PO Box 1332, Greenfield, MA 01302-1332. The GHS Alumni treasury has approximately \$55,000 earmarked for the track project.

As your classes are planning reunions, please consider donating to the Alumni Association specifically for the track or the auditorium. Thank you for your continued support!

Cynthia N. Bompastore, President

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT (STEVE LEPORE 1978)

Recently, the citizens of Greenfield voted to build a new high school and construct an athletic complex behind the present GHS. This complex will include a six lane all-weather track. We have been discussing, for over ten years an eight lane track that could be utilized for championship level meets and a multi-use turf field.

The Building committee has made decisions to decrease costs that exclude the Turf Field and reduces the track to just six lanes, which does not meet the standards or regulations for hosting championship track meets.

We have been requested to support the athletic complex, the Superintendent and school committee is looking forward to any support we can deliver. We have been told that if we can raise about \$85,000 that should cover the extra two lanes for the track. We think we should raise \$125,000 to cover any possible funding issues. We have over \$20,000 already and are looking for any financial support you might be able to provide.

The Turf Field is another matter, costing close to \$500,000. The foundational work is planned and is supposed to be paid for through the present construction plans, so the actual cost of the field is less, but still a bigger task. There are other issues that several alumni and friends of alumni have brought to our attention, in relation to maintaining a Turf field complex. We will bring those issues to light in another newsletter.

We also have the auditorium that needs our support. The school administration and building committee have obtained the state approval for keeping the auditorium, so we need to help refurbish it through fundraising.

So, we need your assistance in contacting more people. We need to grow our tree of support. We are at that stage to just get the word out about our projects and we are requesting donations as we build our database and re-energize our newsletters.

We need stories and pictures to highlight alums, friends and family from all over the world. So, you can help in two distinct areas; help us contact more alumni and friends of GHS as well as feed us stories to fill our newsletters.

We have been successful in supporting GHS for over ten years now. We have given over \$70,000 to the high school from monies raised through donations and memberships for the purchase of various athletic uniforms, weight training equipment, signboard/scoreboard for Softball section at Vet's Field, carpentry shop equipment, furniture plus books for the Library, English Dept. books, Science Dept. equipment, Mathematic Dept. Calculators, as well as Art Dept. and Special Education classroom supplies.

We quietly work behind the scenes to enhance public education through our dedication and loyalty to the Greenfield High School we remember. The building is changing, yet our beliefs in providing excellent educational opportunities remains intact. We need your assistance and your voice in reaching our goals. Help us support the new GHS!

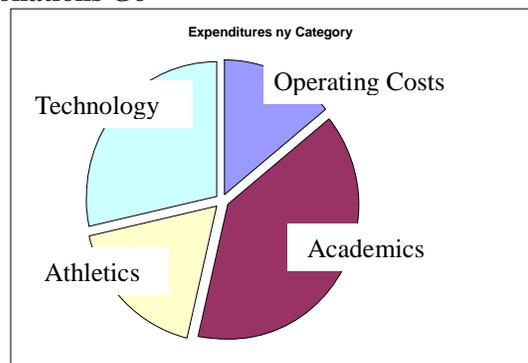
Steve Lepore, Chair, Board of Directors



GHSAA TREASURER'S REPORT(JOE LEMAY 1977)

As of October 31, 2012, the GHSAA have Cash on Hand in a Money Market Account and CD totaling \$21,278.50. We also have \$53,667.75 in Investment Accounts for a total of \$74,946.25. The Class of 1951 decided to suspend formal reunions and donated their treasury of \$2,200 to the GHSAA treasury. The Class of 1977 challenged other class to match what they raised at their reunion this past summer of close to \$11,500 and still rising. This money will be used toward the new Athletic Complex and the New Auditorium.

Where Your Donations Go



Thank you, Joe Lemay, Treasurer

The GREENFIELD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

--Is in need of additional membership to keep the association alive. If you would like to **join** the GHSAA, membership dues are \$20 annually from November to November. Five-Year Membership is \$80, Ten-Year Membership is \$150 and Lifetime Membership is \$200. The memberships are discounted 50% for senior citizens (60+) and graduates attending schools of high learning. Call Betty at 413-772-1350 Ext. 111 for a membership form. Donations are always welcome and can also be counted toward your membership.

E-MAILS FOR NEWSLETTERS:

The Alumni Association would like to reduce costs by sending out as many as possible newsletters by e-mail. If you would like to receive a copy of future newsletters via e-mail, please send your e-mail address to betnee1@gpsk12.org.

GHSAA WALL OF HONOR:

Any GHS graduate of ten or more years and who would like to be part of this program, should pick up an application form from Betty at the high school office or call her at 413-772-1350 Ext. 111 (e-mail – bnee1@gpsk12.org) and she will be glad to mail you the materials. Betty will write up your biography for the wall and send it to you for correction or approval before it goes up. You do not need to be a GHSAA member to be part of this program.

The next time you are in the high school check out the 56 pictures of graduates that are hanging in the corridor between the Main Office and the Library. They are:

Richard Burnham	1938	Patent and Design Maker
Mabel Jean (Lee) Lombardo –	1944	Accomplished Archer-Deceased
John Bednarski	1945	Architect/Designer of present GHS-Retired
Robert Bitzer	1945	Post Office worker for 44 yrs.-Retired
George Jonelunas	1945	GHS Math Teacher-Retired
Richard E. Faust	1945	Pharmaceutical/Chemistry positions-Deceased
Donald Smith	1947	Director Of Mens Athletics-Univ. of Rochester, NY-Deceased
Carolyn Nims McLellan	1948	Professor-GCC-Retired
John P. Nee, Sr.	1949	Elem. School Custodian-Deceased
Betty Manners	1951	Community Service, EMT
Betty Spencer Nee	1952	HS Principal's Secretary-Retired (Full-time Volunteer at GHS)
Robert Howe	1956	Electrician, Hospital Volunteer-Deceased
George Herzig	1957	Greenfield Fire Chief-Retired
Paul McDonald	1958	Chief Probation Officer-Retired
John Spencer	1958	Computer Specialist and Programmer-Retired
Rose-Marie Alex Bassett	1959	HS Paraprofessional-Retired
William F. Bassett, Jr.	1959	HS Art Teacher, Assistant & Principal at GHS –Retired
Edward "Skip" Hammond	1959	Founder of GBI Marketing-Retired
Sandra Herzig	1959	Food Ser. Dir.-Greenfield Schools-Retired
Neal Owen Graves	1960	Accounting Firms, Retired
Leonard Remaly	1960	Chemical Companies/Hiker/Retired
Monsignor John Sweeley	1961	Theologian and Writer
Thomas (Tom)Suchanek	1964	Athletic Director, Teacher, Baseball/Football Coach-Retired
Dr. Phil Grisé	1965	Professor – Florida State Univ. at Tallahassee, FL. - Retired
Dr. Robert Martin	1965	Doctor of Sports Medicine in Alaska
William Phelps	1965	Former Vet.'s Job Counselor-Retired
Christopher Ethier	1966	Owner-Bicycle World
Cheryl Harvey Misch	1966	GHS History Teacher-Retired
Harold L. Shattuck, Jr.	1966	US Marine/Deceased
Dean Tatso	1969	Business Owner/New Zealand
Andie McGahan Drew	1970	GHS Para-Professional
Michael Maleno	1971	ROV Technologies
Christian Jacobs	1972	GHS History Teacher
Jane (Kowalski) Smith	1973	Franklin County Tech. School Nurse
Barbara Ferrante	1975	Federal Investigator/Boston
Donna Woodcock	1976	GHS Principal
Lisa Dusell	1977	Para-Professional at HS
Kathleen Merrigan	1978	US Director Of Agriculture
Andrew(Drew) Hutchison	1989	GHS TV Studio & GCTV Producer

Suzanne Herzig	1980	Para-Sunderland Elem. School
Timothy Herzig	1980	Comptroller, CHC of FC
Lisa Facey Moore	1981	GHS Phys. Ed./Health Teacher
Timothy Kenny	1981	Portfolio Mgr.-Babson Capital Mgr.
Nancy Walsh	1983	Stage & Film Performer, Co-founder of "PresentCo." A Theater Co. in NYC
Michael Kuchieski	1984	GHS Athletic Director, Physical Ed. Teacher
Bobby Campbell	1985	Owens a DJ Business and is a Radio Announcer
Michael S. Johnson	1985	Asst. VP Greenfield Coop. Bank in Financial Services
Bill Bomtempi	1986	Dentist
Tara Phelps Cloutier	1988	GHS Spanish Teacher
Timothy Farrell	1989	F.W. Farrell Insurance Agency,
Patrick Garland	1989	GHS English Teacher
Kenneth Fortin	1990	GHS Building Monitor
Maura McDonald	1993	Assistant Probation Officer
Angela DeSanty Mass	1995	GHS Math Teacher
Nils Taylor	1998	Filmmaker-Calif.

GHS ALUMNI WHO ARE EMPLOYED AT THE HIGH SCHOOL:

Teachers:

Tara Phelps Cloutier-1988-Spanish
 Patrick Garland-1989-English
 Rian Lively Lovett-2005-Bus.+8th.Math
 Angelia DeSanty Mass-1995-Math
 Michael Kuchieski-1984-Phys.Ed.&Ath.Dir.
 Lucas Martin-2000-8th.Eng.+Hist.
 Lisa Facey Moore-1981-Phys.Ed.
 Angela Ruggeri-1996-8th.Science

Paras:

Andie McGahan Drew-1970
 Lisa Rucci Dusell-1977
 Alysandra(Aly)Zagame-2005
 Jennifer Caloon-2007
 Mary Zamjski Peterson-1974
 Kara Younger-2000

Others:

Donna Woodcock-1977-Principal
 BrendaSmithLively-88Admin.Assist.
 Kenneth Fortin-1990-Build.Monitor
 Betty Nee-1952-Full Time Volunteer

Cafeteria:

Dorothy Kochan Abbey-1988
 Carol Rozak Claine-1970
 Starr Stebbins Hurd-1980
 Cynthia Scott Roche-1973
 Nancy Miner Voetsch-1966
 Laurie Rozak Wells-1990

GHS LOSES MUCH LOVED TEACHERS:

It does not seem possible that we lost Bill Beauregard (Math), George Jonelunas (Math), Marianne Keating (For. Language), Stephen Murphy (Guidance) and Gail Steinbring (History), in the past three years. Over the years, they all contributed to the academic growth of many students at GHS. They also were active in the athletic and social life of our students. All but Gail had retired. Gail was taken by cancer when she was still at the top of her "game".

CLASS OF 2014 SENIOR ACTIVITIES: MARK YOUR CALENDAR – Senior Prom at Univ. of Mass. on Thursday, May 22 at 6 p.m. Senior Last Assembly at 12:45 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28. Senior Class Night at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 29. The Senior Class Trip to High Meadows is Friday, May 30 at 7:30 a.m. **GRADUATION is at 4:15 p.m. on SATURDAY, MAY 31 at Greenfield Community College.** (Note change of day!)

2014 EVERGREEN YEARBOOK: (Note) May be some of you out there have grandchildren in the high school and would like to purchase a yearbook.) The Senior Section of the yearbook is well underway. We are working on Fall Sports pages and are beginning to see the 63rd annual Evergreen Yearbook take shape. The books will again be in full color this year and are now on sale for pre-orders until Dec. 20, 2013 for a cost of \$65. After that date, the cost is \$75. Don't miss out! Order now! We are often left at the end of the year with extra yearbooks that we cannot pay for. For this reason we will not be ordering any extra books this year. **YOU MUST PRE-ORDER A YEARBOOK!** Contact Mrs. Cloutier for a form. Payment plans are available. The Yearbooks will be distributed during the summer so that all spring sport and senior activities will be enclosed. **SENIOR PARENTS:** Recognition ads are also on sale. You can purchase space at the back of the book to send a personal message to your student and can include photos etc. Mrs. Tara Cloutier, Advisor – 413-772-1350 Ext.120 (tarcl01@gpsk12.org)



ATHLETIC DEPT. NOTES:

The 10th Annual Carl "Ump" Nichols Golf Classic happened this past Aug. Thank you for your support, all monies raised this year went to new uniforms. The GHSAA provided \$900 toward the purchase of extra football pants and received a "thank you" letter signed by all members of the football team. Winter sports start Monday, Dec 2. Check MIAA.net for game schedules, hope to see you there! Parking for all winter sports will be tight with the new school construction, please be patient and park legally and remember--we will have a great school in 2015!!

Michael J. Kuchieski, Athletic Director & Head Football Coach, 413-772-1345(s) 413-522-3010(c)

REUNIONS: (Many classes have reunions every year. Send us a story about your reunion and we will put it in a newsletter.)

CLASS OF 1977- The GHS Class of 1977 recently held its 35th Reunion. Part of the reunion included a campaign to raise funds for the New High School. An anonymous donor from the class issued a \$5,000 challenge to match donations from classmates. With the challenge gift, the class raised a total of \$11,500 for GHS. The Class of 1977 encourages other classes to help with the efforts of the new school.

CLASS OF 1973- Held their 40th Class Reunion on October 12th. Betty Nee and Tom Suchanek were invited to speak at the dinner about what has happened over the years and about the GHS Alumni Assoc. A raffle plus other prizes and donations took place and this gave the GHSAA approximately \$500 for the New Track and upgrades to the Auditorium.

CLASS OF 1958 & CLASS OF 1953- Held their reunions this past summer also, but I have no information about them.

SOME TIDBITS FROM CHIP AINSWORTH'S COLUMN:

DOUG WELENC-UMASS HALL OF FAME: Doug Welenc (Class of 1976) found his curve throwing a golf-sized Wiffle ball past the Siano brothers behind Dillon's Chevrolet. The Sianos' were my big brothers, them and my older brothers Mike and Dave. All we did was play sports." He was Greenfield born and bred and made all the stops from pitching for Bill Winseck's UE 274 team at Lunt Field to beating Worcester South in the first round of the 1976 state high school playoffs. "He did what you asked," said Greenfield High School coach Tom Suchanek. "He had good size and good location and he listened. He learned. He was a smart kid."

His mound exploits caught the attention of Houston scout Stan Benjamin, who was a fixture on the local sports scene. The Astros took him with the first pick of the 24th round, 548 picks behind the top pick, Arizona State left-hander Floyd Bannister.

Knowing pro ball was still years away, Welenc chose to pitch for Dick Bergquist at UMass. Bergquist coached the Minutemen 21 seasons and was himself a 1999 Hall of Fame inductee. "I had offers from other schools, but Dick Bergquist and Tom Suchanek had similar coaching styles and that made the transition a lot easier. Neither was a yeller or a screamer, they were mentors. Bergquist gave me the confidence to be a college pitcher."

Lorden Field was like a favorite fishing hole for Stan Benjamin, Astro's scout. Welenc was a mainstay of Bergquist's starting rotation his sophomore and junior seasons, a reliable, rubber-armed 6-foot-2 right-hander who could drop a soft curve into the strike zone. "Sophomore, junior year, I was lights out. Beating Maine was always memorable. That was always a big thrill (the Black Bears were the team to beat in those years). I think I beat Boston College 1-0. ... Beating the Boston teams was always good, the Harvards, the Northeasterns ..." While helping UMass win back-to-back conference titles, he set school records for wins, strikeouts and innings pitched. He remains the school's all-time complete-games leader with 24. "He was named all-everything," said Bergquist.

The Astros called again after his junior year, this time in the third round and 320nd overall. "I was a little disappointed I wasn't taken higher but the signing bonus was enough for a new car," said Welenc, I research the 1980 list price for Toyota Corollas and came up with a signing bonus figure of about \$5,000.

He'd pitched 529 innings in five seasons and was 39-26 with a 4.31 ERA. He returned to Greenfield, re-enrolled in school, and became a certified public accountant.

In the summer of 1982, he married high school sweetheart Susan Rice and they honeymooned in beautiful downtown Tulsa. Today they have three children, Brianna, Elizabeth and Douglas.

SOME TIBITS FROM JASON BUTYNSKI'S COLUMNS:

World Series Link – St. Louis Cardinals outfielder Shane Robinson is the son of Greenfield native Dan Robinson, who comes from a long line of Greenfield families. Shane's great-grandfather on his mother's side was James Britton, architect and Red Sox fan. Jim's daughter Marcia (Class of 1954) married Brant Robinson (Class of 1952), Shane's grandfather, who played under Ump Nichols and Stan Bengamin. They gave birth to a son by the name of Dan. Dan was born in Greenfield but grew up in Florida so that snapped the area roots. Shane was born in Florida. I graduated with Brant in the Class of 1952(Betty) and we shared the same "homeroom".

Greenfield native **Kathy (Couture)Bresciano**, Class of 2002, was elected into the Colby-Sawyer Athletic Hall of Fame on Oct. 6, 2013 to commemorate her volleyball dominance that began at GHS and carried over into a strong collegiate career. Kathy now lives in Turners Falls with her husband, A.J. Bresciano and one-year old daughter Callie.

Josh Hillman, GHS graduate, Class of 1996, has changed jobs. He is "grooming" his cousin "Mike Hillman," to take over his job as Berkshire Hills Country Club's head pro and Josh will be doing the same job in nearby Williamstown's Taconic Golf Club. Josh becomes only the fourth head pro in the 117 year Taconic history. Josh said the position is where he plans to spend the next 30 years.

If you have stories about GHS Grads that you would like to share, please send them along to Betty Nee so that she can put them in the next issues of the GHS Alumni Newsletter.

RAY WILLIS - MANY GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Ray Willis: GHS- 1947, UMass -1970, Athletic Director- Franklin County Tech – 1976

It's been a while since the GHSAA has provided you with a life view highlighting a graduate. So, it makes sense to write about an alum that has found a sense of joy through the decades. Ray Willis is that alum, who "fell in love" with running when he learned he could beat the other kids running the school grounds at Four Corners Elementary." Ray has been running ever since, with much success and a great deal of enjoyment. He played a little baseball and basketball, yet track was his specialty, even though there was only one meet a year, held at the Fairgrounds.

I cannot do justice to his career in one little article, so we provide some pictures and other articles for you to enjoy. Mr. Willis attended GHS in the mid to late 1940's (Grad 1947), yet still coordinated a track event in the spring of 1949, which coaching legends Dan Dyer and Ump Nichols officiated. Ray would take his developing talent to UMass setting records in the 440 and the 600 yard runs while competing in Madison Square while competing in Madison Square Garden. Like many, Mr. Willis interrupted his college career to enlist, and while stationed in England the four minute mile mark was broke by Roger Bannister, but more importantly, Ray met his wife – Doreen.

Upon returning to Franklin County, he earned his degree in physical education/health, they raised their four children – Gillian, Susan, Ward, and Trudy; so running took a backseat for a few years, then as Ray's teaching

career brought him to the new Franklin County Tech school as the Athletic Director in 1976 – running became a focus again and he has been running for fun or in “Masters meets”, marathons and even the Massachusetts Senior Olympics. Locally, he won the over -50 class of the Bridge of Flowers race the first year he entered - 1980, and then repeated in 1981, then won in the over-60 class in 1986 and 1989.

There are several facets to this article highlighting someone who has succeeded in their chosen field. One facet that stands out to me in this case is that Mr. Willis learned confidence at a young age from his physical ability to outrun others. He developed that talent as he aged; growing his enthusiasm for the sport, utilizing training for meets to maintaining his daily health, and helping others as a teacher and coach. Whatever your specialty, whatever you choose to do, Mr. Willis is an example of a generation that wanted to do their best, made that effort time and again, appreciating their triumphs while learning to live with any result.

You can focus on the moments of success, such as winning a race or setting a record. For me, it is learning about someone’s life pursuits. Knowing Mr. Willis represents a high level of integrity and is very well respected in the world of coaching and education, he exemplifies the type of person new teachers and coaches should aspire to be like. Biographies are interesting and educational; they are most useful in present time as they illuminate the lives around us, and how they help to create a community.—Written by Steve Lepore- 1978

GHS GRADS WHO ARE DOING WELL WITH THEIR CAREERS:

Jonathan Boschen, Class of 2004, recently gave a talk at the Greenfield Public Library about the lives of the Victoria and Lawler theaters. When he learned that the two theaters open in 1913 he did a lot of research and was published in “Marquee,” the journal of the Theatre Historical Society. His presentation on Saturday, Nov. 2 included Peter Miller, Class of 1956, from the Greenfield Historic Society. Peter said that he remembers paying 15 cents to go to see a movie when he was a kid. Back then, in the “40’s, you’d see the feature movie, a co-feature, cartoons, a newsreel and previews all for that price. If he added 10 cents, you could have snacks. Dolly Gagnon, Class of 1954, of the Recorder Staff, said she would buy candy at Skinner’s Drug Store which was located next to the Lawler, and then go in the side door to the movie theater to watch the movie and enjoy her treats.

Greenfield Fire Department:

Greenfield Provisional Fire Chief, **Robert Strahan**-1992, swears in **Peter McIver**-2004, **Keith Gamage**-1982, and **Kurt Seaman**-1996, as provisional lieutenants and **Jesse Phelps**-1999, as permanent lieutenant. Alex Cooley, John Martin, Allen Baker, and Tony Thurston joined the roster as permanent firefighters. **James Bitzer**-1981, accepted his promotion to Captain of the Call Force. He replaces Capt. **Charles Seaman**-1967, who retired after 32 years of service.

CLASS OF 2013 RECEIVED AWARDS FROM GHS AND LOCAL CLUBS & PERSONS AT GRADUATION:

The Class of 2013 received cash awards totaling \$47,475 at Class Night (May 30, 2013) plus \$150,000 of eligibility Scholarships from the Adams State Awards if the student wishes to attend a Massachusetts School of High Learning.

Cash awards were provided by the following people and organizations:

GHS Field Hockey Award - \$100.

Stephen Golosh Memorial Football Award - \$100.

Thomas Suchanek Athletic Award - \$3,000 (Split 9 ways)

GHS Basketball Boosters - \$500. (Split 2 ways)

Donald Vetterling Memorial Award - \$500.

Gail Steinbring Memorial History Award - \$500.

Louis J. Bush Science Award - \$250.

Weymouth Science Fund Award - \$500.

Greenfield Police Association - \$500.

Greenfield Fire Association – Amt. Varies each year.

Jonathan W. Malloy Memorial Award - \$500.

Richard Russo English Writing Award - \$250.

Franklin First Credit Union Award - \$1,000.

Maureen Carey Smith Memorial Award - \$750.

Scott K. Woodcock Memorial Award - \$300.

GCC-Mary Stuart Rogers Foundation Award-\$1,000

Gary Bitzer Memorial Music Award-\$400.

GHS Memorial Music Awards - \$1,600. (Split 5 ways)

Greenfield Education Assoc.Awards - \$1,000. (Split 2 ways)

Barney & Evelyn Michelman Awards - \$8,000. (Split 12 ways)

Aaron Franceschi-Green Memorial Award \$1,000. + (not given this year)

Greenfield High School Award - \$500. (money provided from contributions to the GHS Awards Account.

Students from the Class Of 2013 are attending: Springfield Technical Community College, UMASS Dartmouth, Greenfield Community College, Hartwick College, St.Asylums College, Ithaca College, Champlain College, Springfield College, Univ. of New Haven, Westfield State University, Culinary Institute of America at Hyde Park, NY, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Western New England University, Bridgewater State University, Holyoke Community College, UMASS Amherst, College of Holy Cross, Fitchburg State University, Worcester State University, University of Ohio in Miami, and Keene State College.

If you wish to sponsor an award at graduation; the information must be received before MAY 1st of the current year. Call the GHS Office (413-772-1350 Ext. 102 or 111) or the Guidance Office (413-772-1350 Ext. 106) to list your request.

GREENFIELD EDUCATION FOUNDATION:

In three short years, the Greenfield Education Foundation, under the direction of Robert S. Cohn, Class of 1966, has raised over \$150,000 for direct spending for all schools and students. After providing monies for the purchase of items that could not be obtained through the school budget, the Greenfield Education Foundation has taken a vacation until the new high school is up and running. At that time they will re-define what or how they can continue their help. The “extra” help from the foundation has been more than appreciated by the Greenfield School System. The Greenfield Education Foundation is a nonprofit foundation and all donations go 100% to the Greenfield School System. Their address is Greenfield Education Foundation, P.O. Box 702, Greenfield, MA 01302-0702

KEY CLUB NEWS (Student Part of Kiwanis Club)

Key Club currently has over 30 members and is off to a great start. In addition to running "The Secret Lair" GHS's own free clothing and school supply store, students have helped with Warm the Children, the Greenfield Recs Blues and Barbeque event, and have done a "Trick or Treat for “ Unicef” drive. During the first half of the school year we were involved in the following:

Skeleton Crew Halloween Festival, Friends of the Library Auction, United Way Auction, Salvation Army- Bell Ringing, Salvation Army Dinner, Holiday Food Drive, and Adopt A Family. Lisa Moore, Advisor

ZOOM IN - Friday Lunch Lecture Series

The *Zoom In* Friday lunch lecture series introduces students to a wide variety of new, unusual, and interesting topics. This unique program is one of many enrichment opportunities that put Greenfield HS ahead of other schools. So far this year we have had Dan Botkin speak on Farming; Tom Dillon talk about how to buy a car, and finance all the other cost of owning a car; and Richie Davis spoke on how to be a reporter and work for a newspaper.

If you have suggestions of speakers, or would like to be a speaker or want more information, contact the Coordinator, Mary Link, at marlin1@gpsk12.org or by phone at 413-772-1313.



MUSIC DEPARTMENT:

Since 1996, Music Director Paul Calcari had created a safe haven for music students at GHS. He also held them to high standards as evidenced by the awards they stacked up. A final “concert” sponsored by old and present music students, was held on Saturday, May 4, 2013 in the high school auditorium. Approximately 150 former student, came from all over the United States to perform with the present Chorus and Band students. A tribute to Paul from Travis LeDoyt (Elvis) and Kevin Duda (On Broadway) was part of the show.

The Music Department is as busy as ever under the leadership of the Mr. David DeBoer from Virginia. He started his new position with the “Band Camp” on August 19th and has led the Parades for the F.C. Fair, Rag Shag Night, Veteran’s Day and home football games.

GHS LIBRARY NEWS:

The GHSAA has provided many books and computer software to the library for the use of students and staff. I believe the new high school Library will be smaller than the present one. More books will be on-line than hard copies. If you would like to contribute to the purchase of items for the new Library, please contact Ms. Jessica Pollack, Librarian, GHS-1 Lenox Ave., Greenfield, MA 01301-413-772-1350 Ext.114 or jespoll@gpsk12.org .



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@ Big Y

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@ World Eye

Ask at the desk for a list of titles the GHS library would love to add; you will receive a 10% discount and the store will handle delivery.

@ Greenfield Games

Games help build social and mental skills that improve learning and literacy. Receive a 10% discount when you purchase a game for the GHS Library.

@ Amazon

Visit our Wish List at www.ta.gd/ghslibrary - you may need to scroll down to see the wish list of books & games.

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GHS received donations from Target in the September *Take Charge of Education* payout. This payout is a direct result of the parents, teachers and school supporters who participate in the program which has earned GHS many extra dollars in the past few years. This money is used to partially fund some of the co-curricular programs at Greenfield High School, especially the Science Fair.

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Jessica Pollock, Librarian

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW GHS BUILDING COMING ALONG ON TIME:

I had the privilege of "signing" the last BEAM to be put into place on 11-12-13 along with the Mayor, Principal, members of the Building Committee and member of the Class of 2014; the last class to graduate from the present GHS which opened in September 1958 and graduated the first class in 1959. A total of 55 years in the present high school.



Many of you joined for one-year five to ten years ago. Please renew your memberships! Thank You.

Please make checks payable to: GHSAA. Mail to GHSAA-P.O. Box 1332, Greenfield, MA 01302-1332

Enclosed is my check for _____ for a _____ (new) _____ (renewed) membership or \$ _____ donation.
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