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President's Message

By Dick Brown, dickbrown64@gmail.com

This year's Homecoming is early, just three weeks after the start of the academic school year. The Parade is Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 6:30 pm as it usually is, down Broadway and east along Harmon Drive to the football stadium. The 81st Homecoming Game is Friday evening at 7:00 pm, against GWOC opponent Stebbins at the newly remodeled Harmon Field. The main feature of the new look Harmon Field is the synthetic turf installed this summer. This makes the Green Wave the 18th GWOC school to have the new turf field (The only two GWOC schools not to have this turf cover are Fairborn and Troy). If you are coming to the game, the pre-game festivities include the crowning of this year's Homecoming Queen at about 6:30.

The new Jennings Family Track Complex directly behind Harmon Field to the north in the vacant Kelsey Field, will be completed for use this fall. Along with the new Marling Band Shell just to the east replacing the older deteriorating structure at that location for the past 70 years, our City Park has a new, appealing, modern look which has been long overdue. These improvements greatly upgrade our City and Park area and are credited to many concerned and dedicated individual donors' gifts of money and their volunteer time. If you haven't seen these great improvements, along with the lagoons reconstructions, the island restoration, peacock pen, etc., it is worth a trip to do so. Thanks for bringing our City Park back to life and pride back to our community.

Our Annual Meeting of the membership of the G.H.S. Alumni Association will be held Monday, October 16, at 6:30 pm at the Media Center (Room 146) at G.H.S. We encourage all to attend and voice their opinions about our organization. Anyone is welcomed to attend out meetings, which are on the first Monday of certain months. Please contact Dick at the email above if you would like to know the upcoming schedule. Most meetings are at the High School but our meeting schedule cannot be finalized until school starts August 29.

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The Treasured Island Project is Complete

After a year of planning and overcoming some obstacles along the way, The **Friends of the Greenville City Parks** committee completed their renovation of the largest “Treasured Island”, formerly known as “Willow Island”, in the largest lagoon in the Greenville City Park. This took place in May, 2017, and was accomplished by using an overhead crane to lift equipment and trees across the pond.

The Friends group is made up of concerned and active Greenville citizens who are dedicated to upgrading our City Park. The volunteers who helped with this construction were **Jane Carroll**, **Kent Holmes** GHS 2011, **Jana Deeter** GHS 1975, **Kay Sloat**, **Patty Harter Bernhard** GHS 1973, **Sue Besecker**, **Linda Zerkle** GHS 1970, **Rick Birt** GHS 1964, **Jeff Hole** GHS 1971, **Deb Wright Nisonger** GHS 1980, **Elaine Washler Bailey** GHS 1973, **Tom Lucas** GHS 1970, **Roger Snider** GHS 1964, and **Jenny Seiler Clark** GHS 1973.

The project was made possible from funds raised throughout the community. They have other upgrades planned if more funds become available. One involves the smaller island across the street from this recent project. The Friends of the Greenville City Parks is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization, which make donations tax deductible. Their address is P.O. Box 11, Greenville, OH, 45331, or check out their website, www.friendsofthegreenvillecityparks.org

GHS Alum Trent Fasnacht finds success on TV network

Trent Fasnacht GHS 1986, is a passionate home renovator who has a series on DIY (“Do It Yourself”) TV network. He takes the worst of the worst homes that are abandoned, condemned, or burned out, and transforms them back into the beautiful homes they once were. Many of the homes are over 100 years old. Trent has been a self-employed, licensed general contractor, and free-lance renovator since 2000. He is known as the “Houdini of Homes”, transforming every inch of older, neglected homes when they were a “pig’s ear”, and turning them into new, attractive, functionally usable homes with South Carolina’s “Southern Charm”.

He has written a blog about these renovations for years, and he credits his discovery to **Shawn Visco**, director of original programming for HGTV. Their communications from 2013 to 2015 led to Trent fixing more houses after the “right” homes to remodel were found. Trent’s television exposure began with episodes of “American Rehab—Charleston” in 2014 and 2015 on DIY. Last fall, 2016, he restored houses for “Restoring Charleston” in eight episodes. In January, 2017, DIY ran an eight-hour marathon showing his rehabs in Charleston, S.C. He has a blog: Blood, Sweat, and Pig’s Ears. His series continues on the DIY network and you can check listings for air times. Trent uses a team effort and different expert associates to collaborate with to end up with stunning, beautiful finished products. He injects humor into the TV shows. He has a lot of production and construction people on hand for the tapings to complete the rehab work in short deadline times. Trent is on a mission and he goes to pains-taking lengths to save these homes and to recreate to the way they looked when they were first built.

Trent and his wife **Diann Dupree Fasnacht** and their two children live in the Charleston area. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati in 1993 with a bachelor’s degree in International Studies, and in 1997 with an associate’s degree in Construction Engineering. His parents are **Keith Fasnacht** GHS 1959 and **Judy Westerman Fasnacht** GHS 1959. His siblings are **Todd Fasnacht** GHS 1981, who runs a computer consulting business in Cleveland/Strongsville, and is married with three boys. **Tanya Fasnacht Jolliffe** GHS 1984, is a Registered Dietitian, works in the nutritional consulting business, lives in West Chester/Cincinnati, and was recently inducted into the Mount St. Joseph University Athletic Hall of Fame honoring her volleyball career at the school. **Tyler Fasnacht** GHS 1992, works for Frontier Communications and lives in Greenville with his wife **Nikole Abney Fasnacht** GHS 1991, and their two boys.

Trent is interested in the history of the houses he rehabs, and the relationship of the house with the current or original owners. He buys the homes as he sees fit and if they are suitable for his upgrading, and the TV network finances some of the remodeling. In presentations to interested groups and Preservation Societies, he shares videos of his work and shares his penchant for saving old homes and their associated histories. The DIY series is well produced and episodes are available on iTunes and Amazon.com.

“I love it when people say ‘you cannot fix this house’,” Trent said in a press release. “It’s a big challenge, but that’s part of the excitement in a town known for its distinctive architectural style (Charleston).” Watching his series becomes addictive and is very informative.

Editor’s Note: parts of this article are from the JournalScene.com, Cleveland.com, and diynetwork.com



National Recognition for the Markwith Family

by Paul Royer, GHS '39

Some of our readers may remember the **Markwith** family. They were a very unique and talented family, and our family was fortunate to live next door to them for several years during the late 1930's. There was never a dull moment since there were six sons and three daughters. All of them attended Greenville schools, with most of them graduating from GHS.

The family received national recognition by having five brothers, all serving in the U.S. Navy at the same time during World War II – at one time all on the same ship.

** The oldest son, **Jim**, was born in 1911, attended GHS, and enlisted in the Navy prior to the War, served ten years, and received a medical discharge after suffering pneumonia that resulted from convoy duty in the North Atlantic.

** The third son, **Harold**, was born in 1915, graduated from GHS in 1934, was on the H.S. track team, attained the rank of Warrant Officer, and served twenty years.

** The next son, **Jack**, was born in 1916, attended GHS and enlisted in 1936, had the rank of Chief Petty Officer, and served more than twenty years.

** **Bob**, son number six, was born in 1921, attended GHS, enlisted in 1939, and served over ten years with the rank of Chief Petty Officer.

** **William Richard**, the last of the sailors, enlisted in 1942. Although he was the kid brother, he had a distinguished combat record, being in the Pacific theater during the entire War and, was a qualified sonar expert and Chief Petty Officer. He served 27 years.

** The Markwith brothers collectively served more than 90 years in the U.S. Navy.

** **Keith**, the second son, graduated in 1931, missed Navy service because of age and kept busy in Greenville, working 31 years at NCR, specializing in data processing, programming, and management.

** His wife **Helen** was active in civic matters and church work.

** **Azora**, the oldest of the family, was born in 1908, and graduated from GHS in 1926, where she starred in basketball. She and her husband, **Bill Thompson**, were active in business.

** **Betty**, the second daughter was born in 1918, graduated from GHS in 1936, was in the National Honor Society, placed second in the Ohio State Shorthand Competition, was a cheerleader, and attended Ohio University. She was active in local civic and church activities, and was elected "Lombard, Illinois, Woman of the Year". She married her high school sweetheart, Joseph H. Vance, GHS '37, who, too, had an outstanding career – as a corporate official, an author, and has a resume too extensive for this article.

** Last, but not least, is **Phyllis Jean**, born in 1926, and grew up in California, where she moved with her mother after her father passed away. She carried on the family tradition and contribution to the U.S. Navy by marrying **Edwin Allen**, a naval seaman during World War II.

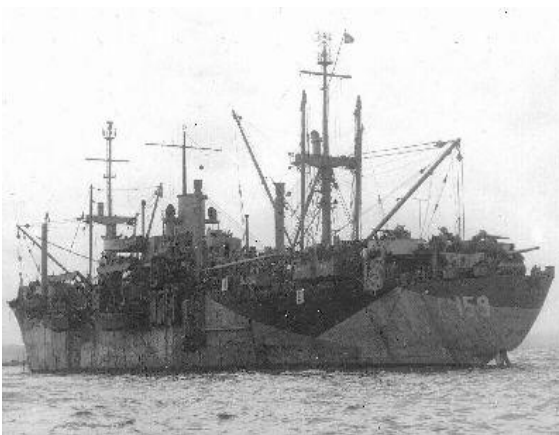
The Markwith family members were achievers and their accomplishments made history that is hard to top.

Editor's note: This was one of Paul Royer's last stories written for our Alumni Newsletter, but it was never published. It covered a family from quite a while ago, but a very successful family in the history of Greenville High School, and one which brought pride to our community.

Also related.....

The Markwith family is not associated with this ship but the time period and service area is similar. The **U.S.S. Darke** was a *Haskell*-class attack transport built in 1944 to transport Marines and Army troops and was acquired by the Navy later in 1944. It was named after Darke County, Ohio, because the citizens of Darke County bought more War Bonds per capita than any other county in the United States. This was a highly unusual occurrence and may be the only time a ship was named for a county. These war bonds supported the country and the military and represented an investment by those who purchased them. After the War, holders of the bonds would cash them in for their principal plus interest.

Although only in operation for about a year, The *U.S.S. Darke* had an active role in winning the war. Beginning at Pearl Harbor, The *Darke* unloaded cargo, received casualties, and transported soldiers to the following theaters in the South Pacific: Marshall Islands, Saipan, Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Guam, New Hebrides, Philippines, to just outside Yokohama in Tokyo Bay. From *The Darke Horse*, the ship's newsletter, there was a letter to Darke County: "To the people of Darke County, Ohio. Through your patriotism, we were able to send the commissioning pennant snapping to the yardarm that brisk day a year ago because of your generosity. We were able to take this ship into enemy territory and execute the small part we had in liquidating the enemy....."



G.H.S. families and the citizens of Darke County have supported our country's causes to a level above and beyond the call of duty. *Photo here is a file photo of the U.S.S. Darke.*

Horton Club

To become a **Horton** any student in Greenville Junior High School had to score 100% on spelling tests for the semester. The **Horton Club** was begun with seventh graders in 1941 and lasted at least into the 1960s. The name of the club was derived from the book, "Horton Hatches an Egg", by Dr. Seuss. Horton was an elephant whose main claim to fame was the fact that he climbed up a tree and hatched a bird's egg. This egg, when hatched, proved to be an elephant that flew.

At the end of each school year in the 1940s, every student with a perfect spelling record received a Horton—an elephant of some size, shape, color or form. **Mary Raach** (1904-1984) was a junior high literature and history teacher through the years (1939-1966) who continued the tradition of the Horton Club. By 1960, eighth grade East School recipients of this award received a 6-inch high gold plastic cup with "Horton Club" hand-written by Mrs. Raach on the front. The small number of students who received this honor cherished these awards, as evidenced by Dick Brown's trophy on his dresser at home.



MARY R. RAACH, A.B.





G.H.S. Honors Law Enforcement Graduates

Each year the Student Council at G.H.S. chooses the Grand Marshal of the Alumni Homecoming Parade, with the emphasis on the fact that a G.H.S. graduate will be honored. This past Homecoming Parade on October 13 they selected all Greenville High graduates from the Greenville Police Department and from the Darke County Sheriff's Office. Some students on Student Council brought up this idea because of incidents involving police nationally within the past year. This led to the plan of honoring law enforcement officers who are G.H.S. graduates.

"It's a great honor for them to honor us. It feels very good. It's really great because the kids came up with the idea on their own," said Greenville P.D. **Chief Dennis Butts**, GHS 1978, who joined the Police Department in 1986 and became Chief in 2005.

"Our officers in Greenville are awesome. I know they get a lot of bad rap sometimes because people don't like what they tell them they need to do, but they are just trying to do their jobs....These people are standing up and trying to do the right thing to make things safe for you," Junior High School Principal Chris Mortensen stated while addressing students at the Thursday night Marling Band Shell Pep Rally.

The honored Grand Marshals rode the parade route in the back of four pickup trucks and each received a Homecoming Week plaque from a Homecoming Court member. Pictured here at those honored from the oldest to youngest: **Fred Roll** (GHS 1972, DCSO), **Ron Beisner** (GHS 1975, DCSO), **Cindy Shiverdecker Enicks** (GHS 1975, DCSO), **Dennis Butts** (GHS 1978, Greenville Police Chief), **Scott Drew** (GHS 1978, GPD), **Mark Whittaker** (GHS 1985, DCSO), **Shannon McDaniel** (GHS 1986, GPD), **Morissa Melling Reed** (GHS 1987, GPD), **Kelly Enicks Erisman** (GHS 1988, DCSO), **Eric Kiryluk** (GHS 1991, GPD), **Steve Mills** (1991, DCSO), **Mitch Raffel** (GHS 1991, GPD), **Tony Royer** (GHS 1991, DCSO), **Dave Hawes** (1992, DCSO), and **Krysten Blumenstock Wilson** (GHS 2008, DCSO). Also GHS grads and qualifying for this honor, but unable to attend were: **Shawn Trissell** (GHS 1990, DCSO), **Josh Brinley** (GHS 1993, DCSO), **Jennifer Arnett Freeman** (GHS 1996, GPD), and **Jason Gibbs** (GHS 2004, DCSO).

When the Homecoming Queen **Victoria Landis**, Senior, was asked what her favorite time was in her four years at GHS, she responded with, "asking the Sheriff's and Police officers to be part of our Homecoming." This was truly a special time for G.H.S., the City of Greenville, Darke County, and the Officers involved.



Rachel Hickerson is this year's recipient of the 48th annual **Elizabeth Hill Citizenship Award** for citizenship and outstanding moral character. Rachel is attending Miami University and will major in Accountancy. Presenting the certificate is Assistant Principal **David Torrence**. Her older brother **Adam Hickerson** won the **Jack Raudabaugh Award** in 2013.



The 51st annual **Eugene Phelps Citizenship Award** for outstanding Citizenship and moral character was presented this year to **Brandon Beyke**. Brandon is an outstanding baseball player and signed to play baseball at Muskingum University. He is majoring in Biology. The presenter is Assistant Principal **David Torrence**.



The passing of the School Key took place at the 2017 Senior Send-Off Assembly. Senior Class President for 2017 **Tiona Thompson** presented the School Key to next year 2018 Senior Class President **Landin Brown**.



The Lifetime membership cost is as indicated on the Blue insert.

To expedite and simplify the bulk mailing we will include a dues envelope along with each Newsletter sent out this fall.

If your dues are paid through December 2017 or you are a life Member, you should ignore the dues envelope as no payment is necessary.

If you have your mailing envelope handy, on the label check the date that appears before your name, you are paid through that year.

Example; 2018 John Doe, or if you are a Life Member; 3000 John Doe

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GHS Advanced Manufacturing Lab

Greenville High School's Career Technical Center for the first time now offers an Advanced Manufacturing Laboratory as part of the Engineering program. Over 100 students at GHS take up to four years of engineering, including pre-engineering classes for Freshmen and Sophomores up to the Junior and Senior level classes of electronics, auto-cad and robotics. This has become an increasingly in-demand program for GHS students, which attracts many of the best students in the school. There are two computer labs associated with this program to help teach students how to work and to program the robots. Graduating seniors receive a certificate showing they have this manufacturing skill set. Students can get college credit at Edison Community College, and can also use the equipment at the Piqua location for projects.



Robotics is a separate class for Seniors with students learning how to use small industrial robots, such as the FANUC and Moto-Man robots. Used in a factory setting, these robots can be programmed to do many operations, like welding, assembling, and painting. Students can become certified in programming and how to handle these robots. A computer controlled CNC Mill can mill and shape metal blocks using computer selected tools. This can take the place of a human machine operator using drill or lathe machines.



The class includes Electrical trainers, studying electrical systems, C/DC currents, and basic circuitry. In pneumatic and hydraulic training, students learn how to read schematics. Motor controls are used on assembly lines and many mechanical units. Allen-Bradley P.L.C. (Programmable Logic Controller) software/Rockwell Automation is also taught. Students learn about the many systems controlled by PLC's, such as fire, heating, water systems, etc. Nationwide, there is a shortage of workers in this field.

The Manufacturing Lab was a collaborative effort between GHS Engineering class instructor **Chris Sykes** and former GHS Administrator and Career Tech Director **David Peltz**, GHS 1992, and has become a reality after years of development. Darke County Economic Development Director **Mark Saluk** and Mr. Peltz's successful grant request for \$500,000 was part of the State Budget of Ohio for 2013 with sponsorship from our congressmen **Jim Buchy**, GHS 1958, and **Bill Beagle**. The space now used at GHS was formerly used for the wood working shop. Mr. Sykes background is in military electronics and industry, and he has obtained a license for Career Tech instruction. The Manufacturing Lab is retooling the workforce to be more viable in today's industry and produces people with certain set of skills necessary to go into today's industrial jobs. The teacher is **Adam Eberwein**, GHS 2003, who hopes to expand this program to adults in the community. Local manufacturing personnel are permitted and encouraged to use the Manufacturing Lab when GHS students are not using it, especially in the evenings. This custom developed class in the Career Tech Center continues to attract the best students at GHS. A higher percentage of students in the National Honor Society and National Technical Honor Society at GHS come from the Engineering class than the other disciplines studied at the school. The DECA Distributive Education classes beginning at GHS in 1967 have evolved into very productive courses applicable in today's world, using state-of-the-art equipment. Greenville is one of very few local schools to offer these areas of study, and the current students are benefiting from Mr. Sykes and Mr. Eberwein's "hands-on" classroom presentations.





Melanie Stall Graduates from Med School

When GHS Class of 2009 Valedictorian **Melanie Stall** graduated from High School, her plans were to attend Wright State University and study pre-med specializing in pediatrics. Eight years later she completed her courses at the Boonshoft School of Medicine (at W.S.U.), and graduated May 26 with a Medical Doctor degree. Her parents are **Nancy** and **Jeff Miltenberger** GHS 1984 of Greenville, and **Jerry** and **Lisa Stall** of Greer, South Carolina. Other GHS family alumni include Aunt **Sherri Miltenberger Jones** GHS 1979 and Aunt **Wenndi Miltenberger Bailey** GHS 1981. Melanie will complete her pediatric residency at the University of Tennessee in Memphis.

Editor's note: Melanie was featured in "G.H.S. Seniors making Waves" section in the Spring, 2009, GHS AlumNews, and we wish her best of luck in the future.

BALLAD OF ANNIE OAKLEY

(Tune: "Ballad of Davy Crockett")

Lived in a cabin in O-hi-o
 Shot up a storm not a century ago
 She got more game than with a bow
 And said I'll get good as soon as I grow
 Annie—Annie Oakley, Queen of the wild frontier

While she was eight she saw in the sky
 A nice bunch of quail flying by
 Up went her gun aimed rather high
 And down came a bird shot through the eye
 Annie—Annie Oakley, Queen of the wild frontier

To match after match away she would go
 She could hit the mark both high and low
 And with her gun beat any Joe
 Which got her a job in the Bill Cody show
 Annie—Annie Oakley, Queen of the wild frontier

With Buffalo Bill she crossed the sea
 To give their show in each country
 She gained much fame as we can see
 And earned the command of royalty
 Annie—Annie Oakley, Queen of the wild frontier
 Chief Sitting Bull was her good friend
 Upon her word he could depend
 The bow of friendship he did bend
 With "Little Sure Shot"—right to the end
 Annie—Annie Oakley, Queen of the wild frontier

*Words were written by **Judith Mohler**, GHS '56, for the Senior Girl Scouts who went to the "Senior Roundup" in Michigan, June 29 to July 11, 1956. Along with four girls from Troy, they made up the "Annie Oakley" Patrol, and this was used as their song.*

Greenville Mayors

There have been 48 **Mayors** of the City of Greenville, dating back to 1847 when **D.K. Swisher** held the position. Eight have been graduates of G.H.S. That is not unusual because many successful men in the era before 1920 did not finish high school, and many new families moved into the city during its growth periods. The list of Greenville Mayors since 1900:

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| Levi E. Chenoweth | served 1899-1901 as Mayor | |
| William Mitchell | 1901 (died 1901) | |
| Augustus N. Wilson | 1903-1905 | |
| Thomas C. Maher | 1905-1909 | |
| George F. Schmermund I | 1910-1913 | |
| E. E. Calderwood | 1914 (died 1914) | |
| Benjamin F. Scholl | 1914-1915 | |
| J. C. Weaver | 1916-1917 | |
| John W. Wright | 1918-1921 | |
| Dr. W. T. Fitzgerald | 1922-1924 | |
| Frazer E. Wilson | 1925-1927 and 1936-1939 | GHS Class of 1890 |
| E. R. "Red" Randall | 1940-1945 and 1948-1949 | |
| William Reed | 1946-1947 and 1950-1951 | |
| Marion "Scrub" Perry | 1952-1955 | GHS Class of 1933 |
| Mark Baughn | 1956-1959 | |
| Tillman Hathaway | 1960-1967 (died 1967) | |
| Ben Brinkman | 1967 | |
| Dr. Dan Hawley | 1968-1971 | GHS Class of 1937 |
| Marion Grimes | 1972-1975 | |
| Howard C. "Crib" Schlagetter | 1976-1983 | |
| Richard B. Birt | 1984-1987 | GHS Class of 1940 |
| Jack A. Harless | 1988-1991 | GHS Class of 1947 |
| Richard Rehmert | 1992-2003 | GHS Class of 1958 |
| Greg Fraley | 2004-2007 | |
| Mike Bowers | 2008-2016 | GHS Class of 1979 |
| Steve Willman | 2017- | GHS Class of 1971 |

The longest serving Mayor was **Richard Rehmert** (12 years). **Mike Bowers** stepped down in July, 2016, in the first year of his third elected term, to take the job of Darke County Economic Development Director. He had worked very closely with and had experience in economic development during his eight-plus years as Mayor. The Darke County Republican Central Committee selected **Steve Willman** to be the current Mayor until the next city-wide election.

2017 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

This year's Valedictorian **Mackenzie Slade** is a fourth generation of GHS alumni. Her parents are **Tiffany Brandon Slade** GHS 1990, and **Bill Slade**. Grandparents are **Bob Brandon** GHS 1965, and **Peggy Bernard Dorsey** GHS 1970, and her Great-grandmother is **Mary "Jane" Hunt Brandon** GHS 1947. Mackenzie had a weighted GPA of 4.400 and participated in National Honor Society, SADD Club, We Are the Majority Club, Art Club, Science Club, Key Club, Garden Club, and four-years of varsity bowling, which she was the M.V.P. Mackenzie also was awarded the prestigious **Kathryn Griner Academic Award**, which honors the top academic student and was initiated by Mrs. Griner, who was a French teacher, Dean of Girls, and Guidance Counselor at GHS from 1948 to 1970. Mackenzie is attending Ball State University and will major in Business.

The Salutatorian is **Jeremy Eshbaugh**, who served as President of both the National Honor Society and the National Technical Honor Society chapters. He was a Commissioned Officer after four years in the Naval Junior ROTC program, in addition to being a Science Club officer and member of Mensa and the Eagle Scouts. His Mother is **Jamie Rhoades Eshbaugh** GHS 1989. Jeremy is pursuing his higher education at the University of Michigan and is studying Nuclear Engineering.



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DECA, Vocational, and Career Tech Education at GHS

Business classes started at GHS in 1912 when **Myrtle Boyer** taught Stenography for the first time. Longtime teacher **Walter Morrison** taught typing and bookkeeping from 1927 to 1968. This was called the **Commercial Department** until 1965, when it was titled the **Business Education Department**. Courses offered then were typing, shorthand, business law, business English, bookkeeping and office practice. **Cooperative Office Education (COE)** was added to the curriculum for the 1965-66 school year. Under this program, students attended classes in the morning and worked in local business offices in the afternoon. **Bill Stoltz** taught many of these business courses (1961 to 1966) and was the coordinator of this program. **Agri-Business Co-operative** also began in the 1965-66 school year. This gave interested students a chance to work in some field of agriculture during the afternoon, and attend classes in the morning. In 1966 Greenville had the only full-time Agri-Business Co-op program in the state. **Richard Tenney** coordinated this co-op at the end of his Agriculture teaching at GHS (1960-1966).

The GHS chapter of **Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA)** began during the 1966-67 school year with former Social Studies teacher **Clarence Gueth** becoming DECA advisor. DECA students attended classes in the morning, and in the afternoon they worked at various business establishments involving retailing, wholesaling, and service. DECA was presented at an assembly in 1967 and also conducted a radio program about their club.

Through the years, this applied business program has been expanded to its current **Career Technical Center**, in the detached Vocational Building constructed in 1979-80 directly behind the High School. At the time this new building was opened, **Tony DiRocco** was Principal and **Clarence Gueth** was Vocational Director. This has been the most recent new construction at GHS.

Career Tech has become a very important part of the GHS curriculum including many of today's best academic students. At present there are 300+ juniors and seniors participating in 12 fields of study. Areas of study include Skills USA, Business/Professionals, DECA, and FFA. Individual programs include: Computer Information Systems, Financial Specialists, Interactive Media TV, Careers with Children, Agricultural Science, Engineering Tech Prep, Automotive, Marketing, Medical Tech, and Supply Chain Management. These 10 programs can help launch a student into furthering their education or finding a great paying job. A Career Fair each year for all 8th, 9th and 10th grade students presents what educational options are available to GHS juniors and seniors. **Stan Hughes** is the CTC coordinator at present.

Clarence Gueth and Family

Clarence F. Gueth, Jr., is credited with founding Greenville High School's Vocational program. His DECA program was a new concept in 1966 at GHS, permitting students to get education classes for part of the day and work on the job training in the afternoons. He served as its Director until his retirement in 1993, and the program's tremendous success can be attributed to Mr. Gueth's leadership. In recent years the CTC has produced national champions in Auto Technology and Careers With Children, in addition to countless other awards.



Mr. Gueth was born in Hicksville, Ohio (northwest corner of the state) and grew up living in Grove City (suburb of Columbus). His wife, **Jacqueline Cummins Gueth** was born and raised in Upper Arlington (suburb of Columbus). Clarence served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. He then met Jackie while they were students at The Ohio State University, where they both later graduated, with Jackie becoming a Licensed Pharmacist. They were married in 1949 and settled in the Clintonville neighborhood.

Clarence started teaching at Holy Rosary Catholic High School and was the Head Football Coach. They then moved to West Jefferson (west of Columbus) where he taught high school and was again Head Football Coach. In 1953, the family moved to Coldwater, Ohio, where he taught at the high school and was Head Basketball Coach, Assistant Football Coach, and manager of the local swimming pool. They moved to Greenville in 1959 as it offered the family several opportunities to grow and contribute in a larger and more resourceful city.

Clarence's first job with the Greenville City Schools was as a seventh and eighth grade teacher at North School (1959-1962). There he coached junior high football, basketball, and track. From 1963 to 1966 he taught Social Studies (American History and Civics) at the Senior High School. His focus beginning in 1966 was to develop the Vocational program.



Coach Gueth replaced **Eldon Miller** after the 1964 school year as Head Boys Basketball Coach, and he held this position for seven years until he retired from coaching in 1971.

Jack Prater became Head Coach in the fall of 1971. Coach Gueth was named the Miami Valley League Coach of the Year and Dayton area Coach of the Year for the success of his 1967-68 Varsity team. That team was considered by many to be the best basketball team in GHS history with a 16-5 record and a second place finish in the MVL with two of their losses being to eventual league champion Lima Shawnee. Their win total was the most for any boys GHS basketball team until the recent 2014-2015 team finished 18-5 (in a longer season). They set a single game scoring record at that time, defeating St. Marys in the season opener, 96-60, at a time before the 3-point shot rule. Coach Gueth also considered the '67-'68 team to be the best defensive team that he had ever coached.

In a very rare feat, all five of the senior starters for the '67-'68 team received All-MVL honors: **Jim Koontz** was high scorer with 296 points made MVL first team and was named to the All Dayton Area Team; **Steve Lantz** and **Ron McLearn** were named MVL second team; **Brad Malcolm** and **Tom Gueth** received MVL Honorable Mention. Coach Gueth's other boys' basketball teams records: '64-'65: 5-15, '65-'66: 2-17, '66-'67: 8-14, '68-'69: 7-12, '69-'70: 9-9, '70-'71: 3-15-(led by **Rick Godown's** 20.1 points per game scoring average).

The Gueths had eight children, all of whom attended and all but one of whom graduated from the Greenville Schools. The 1961 photo here shows most of the family and their graduating class years: Front row: **Bob '76**, **Mary '78**, and **Jerry '74**. Second row: **Dan '70**, **Nancy** (class of 1972, but passed away of leukemia late in 1964), and **Judy '69**. Back Row: Mother **Jackie** (1927-1983), **Tom '68**, and Father **Clarence** (1925-1995). Not pictured here is the one not born at that time: **Kathy**, who was born in 1963 and graduated in 1982. The Gueths were active members of the St. Mary's Catholic Church, and the children attended St. Mary's School with each transferring into the Greenville public schools in ninth grade.

In September, 1967, Clarence and Jackie purchased the Central Drug Store from longtime owners, **Richard “Pete” Brown, ‘32**, and his wife **Mary “Kay” Brown, ‘33**. Jackie’s father had been a successful Columbus pharmacist who owned the drug store adjacent to the O.S.U. medical and pharmacy schools. Jackie and two of her sisters became pharmacists at O.S.U. in the 1940s (and this was very progressive for women at that time) and worked at their father’s store. It was Jackie’s passion to one day own her own store (with a soda fountain) and Clarence’s passion to use his entrepreneurial drive to help make that happen.

They were excited to realize that mutual dream and instilled that excitement in their children. Unfortunately, soon after their purchase and beginning of operation, Jackie developed breast cancer (at an age that was very young for the disease at that time) and they sold the store. Fortunately, Jackie’s medical treatment was successful for a time and she returned to employment at Bonfiglio Pharmacy (who had by then purchased the Central Drug Store), where she worked for many years.

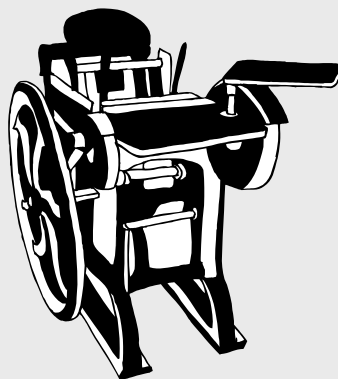
Throughout the many years in Greenville, Clarence was employed in the summer by the City of Greenville as the manager of the city swimming pool. He was well-known for the hiring and training of the local high school students (including his own children), teaching swim lessons to many young children and adults, managing the local swim team, and contributing to the safety and enrichment of the youth of Greenville. Jackie, who had been a member of the O.S.U. aquatics team, was the coach of the Greenville diving team.

Clarence and Jackie always shared an ethos of high integrity, strong work ethic and service to community. They were passionate about raising their own children successfully, as well as significantly contributing to the development of Greenville and all of its children. In each of Clarence’s roles as a husband, father, educator, coach, pool manager and church member, the successful results of his efforts defined him. His kind, soft-spoken manner belied his underlying gregarious personality.

The second family photo taken in 2014 includes all of the original children except **Jerry ‘74**, and his wife **Cindy Sheldon Gueth**, who were not present for the picture. The first row is: 1. **Jan Wierwille Gueth ‘72**, with husband **Dan Gueth ‘70** behind her, 2. **Kathy Gueth McCarthy ‘82**, with husband **Bryan McCarthy** behind her, 3. **Mary Gueth Lane ‘78**, with partner **Don Gilbert** behind her, 4. **Judy Gueth Schmidt ‘69**, with husband **Harold Schmidt** behind her, 5. **Wendy Hammond Gueth** with husband **Tom Gueth ‘68** behind her, and 6. **Teresa Hite Gueth** with husband **Bob Gueth ‘76** behind her. Amongst all of the children, they now have 18 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren (and growing).

The Gueth family in one way or another touched everyone who was a student in Greenville for a thirty-year or more period. They have been a contributing “Big Family” to this community—a family which has made Greenville a better place to live.

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TREATY OF GREENE VILLE 1795

Painting by E. Paul Wilhelm

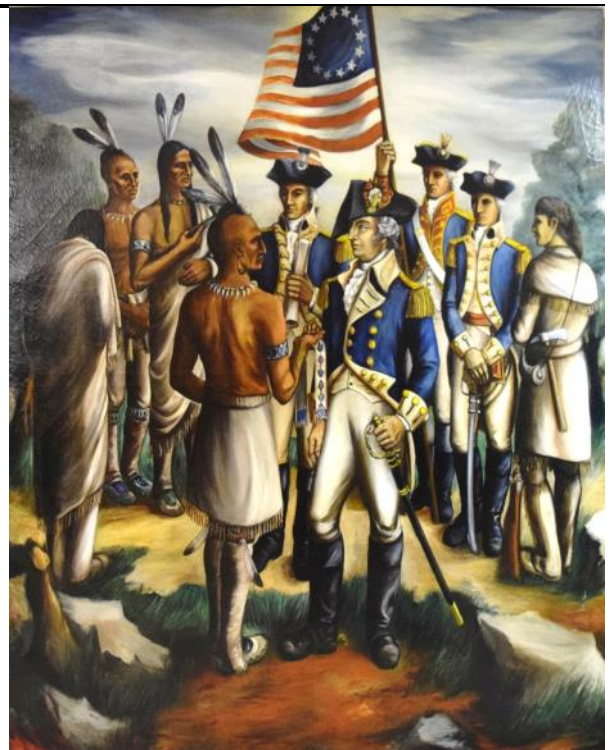
During the Great Depression in the 1930s, the Federal Art Project operated in five Ohio cities: Dayton, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, and Toledo. Local painters and photographers contributed pieces of art and teaching tools. The resulting art projects were widely seen, as many were used to decorate schools, libraries, museums, theaters, and hospitals. From 1933 to 1938, 78 pieces of art were created for various sites throughout the Miami Valley. Artists for the projects were selected from the staff and students of the Dayton Art Institute. The W.P.A. (Works Progress Administration) included the Public Works of Art Project (P.W.A.P.). Over 1,500 workers were employed in Ohio in the Federal Art, Music, Theater and Writers' projects.

Through the co-operation of GHS Art Supervisor Miss Anna Bier and Siegfried Weng, Director of the Dayton Art Institute, murals were placed in the Cafeteria of the Greenville High School building. Four historically related oil paintings by E. Paul Wilhelm, possibly, Margaret C. Arnat, were created for use at G.H.S. as part of this WPA project. The dedication of these art murals was during the "Treaty of Greene Ville Pageant Celebration", September 23-27, 1938, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Opening of the Northwest Territories (1788).

The theme of the artwork is the most important historical event which took place in Greenville. The center photo (9' high by 8' wide) is devoted to the Treaty. General Anthony Wayne and Chief Little Turtle are in the foreground and the staff of Wayne and other Indian chiefs are behind.



The right panel (8' high by 6' wide) shows a group of early Americans having great difficulties moving forward. The left panel (8' high by 6' wide) is an expression of defeat of the Indians at Fallen Timbers. The top panel (3' high by 12' wide) has President George Washington, Generals Anthony Wayne and Arthur St Clair, Chief Little Turtle, and Captain William Wells.



Not much is known about this painting, but it is possibly the first painting of the Treaty of Greene Ville, and was created just for Greenville High School. There are no post cards of this version or other known published accounts. The earliest version of the Treaty with Little Turtle which is displayed at the Chicago History Museum, has been interpreted perhaps as Little Turtle's Farewell to General "Mad" Anthony Wayne, held 12 days after the original Treaty was signed in 1795. Others believe this is the original version of a painting of the Treaty. If this version is the Little Turtle Farewell instead of the Treaty signing, then the 1938 version of the Treaty at GHS is the earliest known version. Howard Chandler Christy's famous Treaty painting was done after his 1940 completion of *The Scene at the Signing of the Constitution of the United States*, and before the 1945 dedication of the *Painting of the Treaty of Green Ville*. This one at GHS was done between 1933 and 1938, and was dedicated in 1938. Miss Anna Bier, GHS Supervisor of Art, died in 1934, but an exact date for the Wilhelm painting is unknown. The four paintings were moved to the present Greenville High School in January, 2017, and mounted on the walls of the main staircase, and protected with plexiglass.

The main painting of the Treaty of Greene Ville was accompanied by these three other paintings which depicted events that led to the signing of the Treaty.



All four paintings are now reunited in the current Greenville High School after 78 years in the former High School building, turned Junior High, and now abandoned. The current high school students see them every day while traversing the central staircase at G.H.S.



Greenville's 2017 Prom: "A Night Under the Lights"

The G.H.S. Prom was held May 6 at Romer's Catering on the Circle for the eleventh year. The theme was "A Night Under the Lights" with 330 students and their guests attending this year's edition. Each Prom-going couple had their picture taken while entering and that was followed by an in-house buffet dinner. The Junior Class was led by President **Landin Brown** and Sponsor **Ms. Mollie Willman Mendoza**, GHS 1989. The venue was fully decorated to tastefully promote this year's theme.

The Queen candidates chosen by the Senior Class members were: **Haylee Hanes** (parents **Eric** and **Rhonda Hanes**, siblings **Ashley Hanes** GHS 2012 and **Megan Hanes** GHS 2014), **Alli Hill** (parents **Bo** and **Cindy Hill**, siblings **Tanner Hill** GHS 2012 and **Keaton Hill** GHS 2024), **Meg Rehmert** (parents **Dan Rehmert** GHS 1987 and **Mindy Drew Rehmert** GHS 1987, sister **Kate Rehmert** GHS 2022, and grandparents **Glen Rehmert** GHS 1963 and **Linda Trostle Rehmert** GHS 1963), **Karsyn Shaffer** (parents **Shawn Shaffer** GHS 1992 and **Tiffany Pearce Shaffer** GHS 1992, sister **Grace Shaffer** GHS 2012), **Mackenzie Slade** (*family mentioned later*), and **Leah Suter** (*family mentioned later*).

The King candidates were **Shane Barga** (parents **Scott** and **Linda Barga**, siblings **Sereena Barga** GHS 2010 and **Sam Barga** GHS 2014), **Austin Grote** (parents **James** and **Lorraine Grote**, sister **Ashley Grote** GHS 2015), **Andy Hayes** (*family mentioned later*), **Kody Purvis** (parents **Ernie** and **Misty Purvis**, siblings **Kasey Purvis** GHS 2018 and **Sidney Purvis** GHS 2019), **Josh Smith** (parent **Jane Rogers Smith** GHS 1978, and sister **Jennifer Boone** GHS 2001), and **Elias Watters** (parents **Trinity Watters** and **Cindy Kellenbarger**, siblings **Mary Fenhaus** GHS 2017 and **Joey Kellenbarger** GHS 2021).

This year's Prom Queen **Leah Suter** is now attending Indiana University-East (Richmond) and plans on a major in Nursing. Her parents are **Mark Suter** GHS 1977 and **Linda Engle Suter**, and grandparents **David Suter** GHS 1955, and **Chloe Yoder Suter** GHS 1956. Leah is a fourth generation of GHS grads, with her great-grandparents being **John R. Suter** GHS 1929, and **Mary Thompson Suter** GHS 1931. Her siblings are **Kellen Karger**, **Joseph Suter** GHS 2016, **Dan Suter** GHS 2019, and **Aaron Suter** GHS 2021.

The Prom King was **Andy Hayes**, who is attending Sinclair College and is undecided for his major field of study. His parents are **Tim Hayes** GHS 1988 and **Shannon Tatum Hayes** GHS 1990, and older brother **Ben Hayes** GHS 2013.



2017 Raudabaugh Awards

Two top scholar-athletes were named this year's winners of the **Jack Raudabaugh Award**, which recognizes top athletic performance with an outstanding academic record. The winner each year must be a leader in athletics and other school activities and of good moral character. Mr. Raudabaugh first made his award to **Bob Brown** GHS 1942, with a separate award being set aside for females in 1975 with **Melanie Brand** the first winner. The awards are presented in the Underclass Awards assembly in front of the younger students to inspire some to strive for these recognitions in their future.

Karsyn Shaffer is the 45th girl to receive this award. She played basketball 4 years (lettered 3) and was a starting point guard for most of her career, Basketball Coaches Award, and was 2nd team GWOC. She lettered 4 years in softball playing second base, had the highest team batting average, best defensive player, was Captain, scholar athlete, 1st team GWOC honors, SW District All-Star game, was Athlete of the Week, and earned second team All-State senior year. She was also a member of Science Club, SADD Club, National Honor Society, NTHS Technical Society, Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA), and is an NFCA Scholar Athlete. Karsyn was in the Top Ten in her class with a Grade Point Average of 4.144, and is the daughter of **Shawn Shaffer** and **Tiffany Pearce Shaffer** (both GHS 1992 class), and sister **Grace Shaffer** GHS 2021.

Aaron "A.J." Frens is the 65th boy to win the Raudabaugh Award. He lettered 4 years in soccer, was 1st team All-GWOC, was soccer MVP, was Captain, scholar athlete, and was member of the MVSSCA Dayton North 1st team and All-Star game. He played football 1 year (1 letter) and basketball 2 years. A.J. finished 4th place in the State meet in Pole Vault senior year with 15' 0" clearance. He was also 4-time letter winner in track, 3-time 1st team All-GWOC track, 3 time state qualifier in pole vault, 2015 record vault of 15' 3", and was Athlete of the Week. He was member of Science Club, SADD Club, National Honor Society, NTHS Technical Society, and had a GPA of 4.023. A.J. is the son of **Scott** and **Lisa Frens**, and has sister Senior **Addie Frens** GHS 2018.

Karsyn is attending Muskingum University and will play softball and major in Education. Her plans are to become an English teacher. A.J. is furthering his education at Central Michigan University, will participate in track/pole vaulting, and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Pictured here are Karsyn Shaffer signing to play softball at Muskingum and A.J. Frens' pole vault at the State Meet June 3.



Green Wave Wrestling's first 50 years

The Greenville High School Athletic Department honored the first 50 years of Green Wave Wrestling at the G.H.S. gym, January 5, 2017, with many wrestling alumni present. Many Ohio high schools initiated their wrestling teams in the 1960's and the Wave team grew out of wrestling competitions in physical education classes during the 1965-66 school year.

The first competitive season was 1966-67 with first-year G.H.S. Health and American History teacher

Randy Whitehead being named Head Wrestling Coach. Twenty wrestlers on that first team were acknowledged with eight being present. Pictured in the photo of that first team:

Front Row seated: **Jim King '68, Joel Schinke '68,** and Head Coach **Randy Whitehead.**

Middle Row seated: **Fred Varsanyi '68** and **Steve Wilson '69.**

Back Row seated: **Fred Dohse '68, Stan Stebbins '68, Kent Zechar '69,** and **Terry Coby '68.**

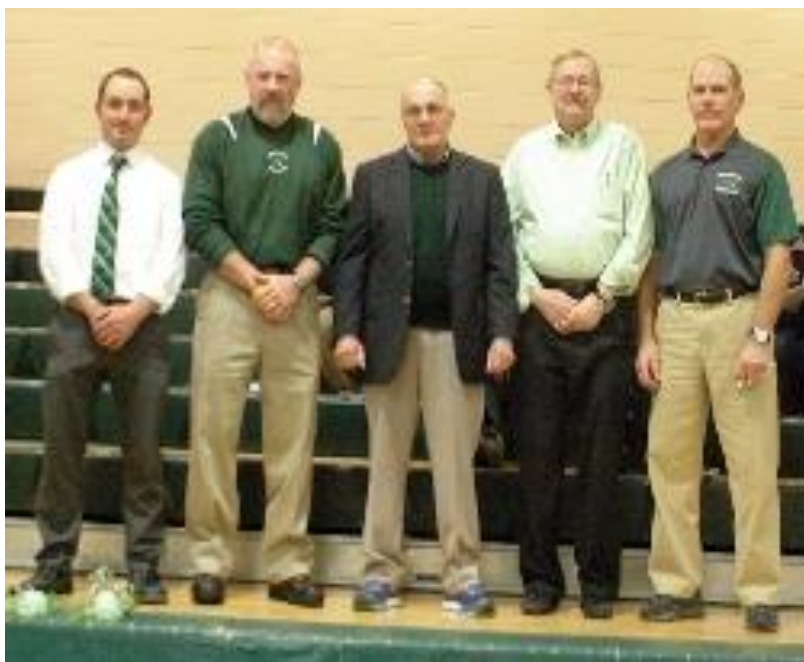
Not present but also from that '66-'67 team: **Jerry Bish '67, Dennis Brown '68, Terry Shoup '68, Rick Straker '68, Greg Weider '68, Jack Nichols '69,** and **Ted Dohse '69.**

Deceased but members of this first team: **Lonnie Brown '67, Joe Hanish '67, Rick Holdeman '68, John Harless '69,** and **Mike S. Rhoades '69.**

Six wrestling coaches who covered the entire 50 years were present. Coaches pictured are:

Standing, from left: current coach **David Guillozet GHS'98, John Shutts,** first coach **Randy Whitehead, David Cummings,** and **Kyle Kagey GHS'69.**

Not pictured: **Gene Cullers.**



GHS OBITUARIES – 2016

Help keep us informed about recent events

Many of the obituaries published in the papers or by the funeral homes have biographies, relatives listed, and pictures of the decedent. We are listing the websites of the funeral homes which can provide this data to the public who asks. The sites listed have obituaries or archived obituaries on which you can click. Over 90% of the listed entries have website accessibility. Some of the older obits may be timed out or dropped, and may not still be there. If you cannot reach one of the ones by website, and would like a copy of a specific obituary we have listed, please let the Alumni Association know. We will send you a copy electronically or by mail of documentation that we have.

We have decided to go beyond the GHS graduates, and include those we can verify or remember attending GHS, even if that person did not graduate. He/she attended GHS in earlier years and is listed with the class with which that person would have graduated if he/she had stayed through commencement.

Our listings are arranged with oldest GHS alums listed first, his/her age at death, member of which class year, date of death, place of most recent residence, and the website where more information can be obtained. To find a deceased, you may use a search engine, like Google, and type in “person’s name, the word > obituary, year, state, etc.” This list is far from complete, using just the data we had access to, or could find.

Many funeral homes have websites with the written obituaries and some have pictures of the decedent. If you go to these websites, click on obituaries and find your person of interest by name or by date. The .com address next to each person's name will tell you which websites to go to.

TYPE IN THE WEB ADDRESS AND CLICK ON “OBITUARIES”.

GHS OBITUARIES for 2016 (from oldest class):

| <u>GHS Alumnus or Student, Age at Death(www.website code)</u> | <u>Class</u> | <u>Date of Death, Place of Residence</u> |
|--|--------------|--|
| Ruth Alverta Fiebiger Feeser, 101 (<i>Legacy.com/obituaries</i>) | 1932 | d. Apr. 9, Covington, OH |
| Frances Maxine Ditmer Baker, 98 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1935 | d. Apr. 4, Greenville, OH |
| Kathryn Perkins Collins, 98 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | — | d. Jan. 9, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Kathryn was longtime cook from the schools, retiring as Head Cook, not GHS grad</i> | | |
| Thelma Smith Ross, 98 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | — | d. Sept. 21, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Thelma was a Business teacher from 1966-1979, not GHS grad</i> | | |
| Jeanne Pendlum Wion, 96 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1937 | d. Nov. 9, Greenville, OH |
| Cora Arline Zimmers Light, 95 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1938 | d. Feb. 18, Greenville, OH |
| Florence Hoblit Magoto, 94 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1939 | d. May 28, Greenville, OH |
| Mary Margaret “Margy” N. Williams, 94 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1939 | d. Aug. 30, Greenville, OH |
| Paul Dale Reed, 94 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1939 | d. Mar. 8, Greenville, OH |
| Marjorie Helen Stevens Mills, 94 (<i>EarlyBirdPaper.com</i>) | 1939 | d. Apr. 3, Dayton, OH |
| D. June Cashman King, 93 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1940 | d. Apr. 14, Springboro, OH |
| Phyllis Jean Berner Lindemuth, 93 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1940 | d. Feb. 19, Greenville, OH |
| Harold E. Stauffer, 93 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1940 | d. June 14, Greenville, OH |
| Carol. R. Ford Kagey, 94 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1940 | d. Sept. 20, Greenville, OH |
| Doris Esther Harter Vance, 92 (<i>Rosevillememorialchapel.com</i>) | 1941 | d. Jan. 13, Roseville, MN |
| Richard A. Bashore, M.D., 92 (<i>Legacy/obituaries/LATimes</i>) | 1941 | d. Jan. 20, Los Angeles, CA |
| Kathleen Swank Rife Baker, 94 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1941 | d. Dec. 31, Greenville, OH |

| <u>GHS Alumnus or Student, Age at Death(www.website code)</u> | <u>Class</u> | <u>Date of Death, Place of Residence</u> |
|---|--------------|--|
| Robert Edward "Butch" Brown, 92 (<i>Settegastkopf.com</i>) | 1942 | d. July 28, Missouri City, TX |
| William Jack Meckes, 91 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1943 | d. Dec. 29, Greenville, OH |
| Robert D. Stauffer, 91 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1943 | d. July 16, Greenville, OH |
| Thomas Martin Harless, 90 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1943 | d. Jan. 7, Greenville, OH |
| Lowell E. Arnold, 90 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1944 | d. May 19, Greenville, OH |
| Richard Roy Rentz, 89 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1944 | d. Mar. 31, Greenville, OH |
| Marjorie Brown Jungbluth, 89 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1944 | d. Mar. 10, Scottsdale, AZ |
| Avo L. Wood Sleppy, 92 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1945 | d. May 29, Ft. Jefferson, OH |
| Martha Thomas-Hermann, 89 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1945 | d. Oct. 11, Columbus, OH |
| Virginia R. Grubb Hatch, 88 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1945 | d. Mar. 27, Greenville, OH |
| Lee Junior Moody, 89 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1945 | d. July 20, Ansonia, OH |
| Evelyn M. Bernholt, 89 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1945 | d. May 3, Versailles, OH |
| Elsie A. Rieman Stentzel, 87 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1946 | d. Mar. 4, Greenville, OH |
| Dorothy Culbertson Pack, 88 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1946 | d. Aug. 23, Scarsdale, NY |
| Robert D. Roll, 87 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1946 | d. July 15, Greensboro, NC |
| Kenneth E. Haines, 89 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1946 | d. July 22, Greenville, OH |
| Gerald D. Lucas, 89 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1946 | d. Dec. 1, Greenville, OH |
| Lois Jean Walters Hardy, 88 (<i>Schoedinger.com</i>) | 1946 | d. Mar. 17, Grove City, OH |
| Dr. Jack Harless, 88 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1947 | d. July 13, Greenville, OH |
| Lois Mae Runner Bixler, 87 (<i>Melcher-Sowers.com</i>) | 1947 | d. Sept. 17, West Union, OH |
| Dick Gangwer, 86 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1947 | d. Apr. 15, Plainwell, MI |
| Jon Edward Agne, 87 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | — | d. Nov. 22, Versailles, OH |
| <i>Jon was a DCT teacher from 1978 to 1981 at GHS, but not a GHS grad</i> | | |
| Edith E. Curtner Prether, 85 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1948 | d. Jan. 8, Greenville, OH |
| Ted Grote, 87 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1948 | d. Mar. 9, Greenville, OH |
| Mary Margaret Murphy, 84 (<i>EarlyBirdPaper.com</i>) | 1949 | d. Oct. 18, Fresno, CA |
| Adelyn May Reed Kennedy, 85 (<i>HempelFuneralHome.com</i>) | 1949 | d. Dec. 20, Lorain, OH |
| Mary Jane Niederkorn Fridge, 84(<i>PineCrestFuneralHome.com</i>) | 1950 | d. Aug. 9, Mobile, AL |
| John F. "Jack" Frankman, 84 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1950 | d. Mar. 8, Bath ME |
| Martha "Marty" Bowman Ebeling, 84 (<i>Routsong.com</i>) | 1950 | d. Aug. 2, Oakwood, OH |
| Marilyn L. Myers Printz, 82 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1951 | d. Feb. 3, Bradford, OH |
| Paul E. Bailey, 84 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1951 | d. Sept. 22, Greenville, OH |
| Clarence Herman Wirrig, 83 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1952 | d. June 13, Greenville, OH |
| Robert Charles Gangwer, 81 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1952 | d. Feb. 16, Cincinnati, OH |
| Lucille "Boots" Baumgardner Wampler Breaden,82(<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1952 | d.Apr.10, Greenville, OH |

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|---|------|-------------------------------|
| Nancy Trittschuh Johnson, 81 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | — | d. Oct. 14, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Nancy was a teacher in the Greenville City Schools, not GHS grad</i> | | |
| Tim W. Wehrley, 81 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1953 | d. Aug. 4, Greenville, OH |
| Phyllis A. Peters Overholser, 81 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1953 | d. Aug. 9, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Phyllis was Head Cook at both the Greenville Junior High and Senior High Schools</i> | | |
| R. Jean Williams Shepard, 79 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1954 | d. June 27, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Jean taught elementary at Woodland and Gettysburg from 1965 to 1990</i> | | |
| Patsy Beanblossom Marr Oliver, 80 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1954 | d. Jan. 10, Greenville, OH |
| Norma Sheets Ryan, 80 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1954 | d. June 29, Greenville, OH |
| Athleen K. Peters Buhrman, 79 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1954 | d. Aug. 28, New Madison, OH |
| Daniel F. Harless, 79 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1955 | d. Dec. 17, Greenville, OH |
| Sue A. Romie Serwas, 78 (<i>EarlyBirdPaper.com</i>) | — | d. Dec. 9, Greenville, OH |
| <i>Sue was a teacher at Woodland Heights from 1968 in various years, not GHS grad</i> | | |
| James Lowell Bayman, 78 (<i>Dayton Daily News</i>) | 1955 | d. Mar. 22, Cleveland Hts.,OH |
| Mary Lou Maxwell, 78 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1956 | d. Nov. 15, Miami, FL |
| Nancy Leathers Smith, 72 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1956 | d. Jan. 27, 2012, Atlanta, GA |
| Larry Howell, 77 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1957 | d. Apr. 15, New Paris, OH |
| Karen L. Gangwer Niley, 78 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1958 | d. Feb. 11, Greenville, OH |
| Robert G. Blumenstock, 76 (<i>SnoufferFuneralHome.com</i>) | 1958 | d. Mar. 7, Zanesville, OH |
| Theodore E. "Ted" Mong, II, 75 | 1959 | d. Apr. 2, Lewis Center, OH |
| Dr. John William Timmons, Jr, MD, 73 (<i>Legacy.com-Gainesville Sun</i>) | 1960 | d. Feb.17, Gainesville, FL |
| Duane Eldon Leis, 74 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1960 | d. Feb. 2, Greenville, OH |
| Richard E. Buchy, 74 (<i>LemleyFuneralHome.com</i>) | 1960 | d. Oct. 7, Atkins, ARK |
| Joyce Swank Pierron, 73 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1960 | d. June 21, Greenville, OH |
| Stephen Charles Bertram, 72 (<i>Blessingfh.com</i>) | 1961 | d. Sept. 4, Vandalia, OH |
| Nelda Rae Moore, 72 (<i>DavisFuneralHome</i>) | 1961 | d. Aug. 6, Bridgeport, WV |
| Patricia A. Magoteaux Johnson (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1961 | d. Aug. 29, Greenville, OH |
| Richard R. "Butch" Hoffman, 74 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1961 | d. Dec. 4, Greenville, OH |
| Mary Jane Hartzell Crumrine, 74 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1961 | d. Nov. 18, Greenville, OH |
| Mary Alice Henning Rismiller, 72 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1962 | d. Apr. 10, Ansonia, OH |
| Margaret "Peg" Marchal LeVert, 72 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1962 | d. Aug. 19, Punta Gorda, FL |
| Jerry Lee "Jake" Maloy, 74 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1962 | d. July 22, Versailles, OH |
| Charles Leon Coning, 73 (<i>HarrisFuneralHomes.net</i>) | 1962 | d. Nov. 30, Springfield, ARK |
| Carol A. Wentworth Clausen, 71 (<i>Legacy.com</i>) | 1962 | d. May 4, Greenville, OH |
| Robert E. "Bob" Rhoades. 71 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | 1963 | d. Nov. 19, Piqua, OH |
| Barry J. Gettinger, 70 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | 1963 | d. Feb. 9, Greenville, OH |
| Jessie F. Mock Burke, 71 (<i>EberleFisherFuneralHome.com</i>) | 1963 | d. Aug.12, London, OH |

| <u>GHS Alumnus or Student, Age at Death(www.website code)</u> | <u>Class</u> | <u>Date of Death, Place of Residence</u> |
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| Douglas L. Black, 70 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1963 d. July 24, Greenville, OH |
| Joann Marie Lutz Emrick, 70 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1964 d. Apr. 15, Greenville, OH |
| Harold Victor Unger, 68 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1965 d. Feb. 19, Greenville, OH |
| Major Eugene Smith II, 68 (<i>Pal-Item.com/obituaries</i>) | | 1965 d. June 14, Richmond, IN |
| James Gregory Bowman, 68 (<i>obits.theAdvocate.com</i>) | | 1965 d. Mar. 2, Baton Rouge, LA |
| David R. Sloan, 68 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1967 d. July 18, Greenville, OH |
| Linda A. Hale Beumer, 66 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1967 d. Apr. 30, Greenville, OH |
| Joel Edgar Bruss, 65 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1969 d. Sept. 11, Greenville, OH |
| Edith L. Bryson Hunt, 65 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1970 d. Dec. 18, Greenville, OH |
| Dennis McClurg, 64 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1970 d. Apr. 1, Greenville, OH |
| Barbara J. Burns, 64 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1970 d. Apr. 10, Greenville, OH |
| Mark Edward Bragg, 61 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1972 d. Sept. 29, Greenville, OH |
| Linda Susan Stebbins (Mangen), 61 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1973 d. June 28, Greenville, OH |
| Barbara E. Slusher Brown, 61 (<i>PhillipsFuneralHome.net</i>) | | 1973 d. July 12, Ironton, OH |
| Loretta Hammaker Scandura, 59 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1974 d. Mar. 20, Centerburg, OH |
| Byron D. "Barney" Rehmert, 60 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1974 d. July 24, Greenville, OH |
| Phillip G. Julian, Jr., 59 (<i>NewcomerDayton.com</i>) | | 1974 d. Apr. 18, Greenville, OH |
| Harold Lee Armstrong, 62 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1974 d. Dec. 14, Greenville, OH |
| Barbara Ann Swartwout Peeples, 58 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1975 d. Mar. 22, Greenville, OH |
| John C. Westfall, 57 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1976 d. Jan. 28, Greenville, OH |
| James D. Hawes, 58 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1976 d. Nov. 3, Greenville, OH |
| W. Kent "Folky" Folkerth, 58 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1976 d. Nov. 16, Greenville, OH |
| Kimberly Kay Gump, 57 (<i>oliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1977 d. Aug. 14, Greenville, OH |
| Tonya Marie Moore, 56 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1978 d. Nov. 11, Greenville, OH |
| Dennis E. Miles, 55 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1978 d. Mar. 16, Greenville, OH |
| Michael A. Kniesley, Sr., 55 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1978 d. Aug. 13, Painter Creek, OH |
| Dian L. Wellman Bryson, 55 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1979 d. Nov. 23, Greenville, OH |
| Michael M. Pretsman, 55 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1980 d. Sept. 5, Greenville, OH |
| Ronald F. Bruggeman, 53 (<i>obits.theAdvocate.com</i>) | | 1980 d. June 28, Hilo, Hawaii |
| James Franklin "Jimmie" Gross, 53 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1981 d. Jan. 1, Greenville, OH |
| Daniel F. Kagey III, 52 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1982 d. Sept. 12, Greenville, OH |
| Troy Dee Cole, 52 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1982 d. May 14, Greenville, OH |
| Tab Taylor Tryon, 51 (<i>FarleyFuneralHome.com</i>) | | 1983 d. Dec. 3, North Port FL |
| Gary L. Smith, 48 (<i>StockerFraleY.com</i>) | | 1985 d. July 3, Bradford, OH |
| Dana Lee Yundt, 48 (<i>OliverFloyd.com</i>) | | 1986 d. May 10, Greenville, OH |
| Shannon G. Harter, 42 (<i>ZecharBailey.com</i>) | | 1992 d. Fed. 10, Greenville, OH |
| Melissa Mae "Missy" Henson Thompson Thornhill, 39 (ZB) | | 1995 d. Feb. 22, Greenville, OH |

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| Russell Keith Cleere, 37 (ZecharBailey.com) | 1996 d. Sept. 11, Greenville, OH |
| David H. Allread, 36 (ZecharBailey.com) | 1997 d. Apr. 23, Greenville, OH |
| Stacey Michelle Smith Best, 35 (ZecharBailey.com) | 1998 d. Feb. 16, Greenville, OH |
| Jordon Allen Tedore, 33 (ZecharBailey.com) | 2001 d. Sept. 14, Gettysburg, OH |
| Jessica Lynn Pierce Smith, 32 (ZecharBailey.com) | 2002 d. May 6, Greenville, OH |
| Heath A. Gessler, 30 (ZecharBailey.com) | 2006 d. July 22, Greenville, OH |
| Dustin Michael Barton, 22 (ZecharBailey.com) | 2013 d. Nov. 7, Greenville, OH |

Oliver Floyd Funeral Home was sold to Braund Pope Funeral Home of New Madison, Dec. 17, 2015, so both of the websites used now (www.oliverfloyd.com) and (www.braundpope.com) may change in the future, or may consolidate into one, or may both continue. Principal owners founder Gladden Oliver of Ansonia, to son Roger Oliver, GHS '62, to Joe Floyd, GHS '84, then to Eric Fee, who had earlier purchased Braund Pope from Delbert Braund of New Madison.

Obituaries of Zechar Bailey Funeral Home (Greenville) and Bailey Zechar Funeral Home (Versailles) can be found at the (www.zecharbailey.com) website. Principals Myron Zechar, GHS '34, Byron Zechar, GHS '34, Gary Zechar, GHS '60, Joe W. Bailey, Kent Zechar, GHS '69, Greg Zechar, GHS '91, Phillip Pierri, GHS '98.

On August 9, 2016, Gilbert-Fellers Funeral Home of Brookville (since 1899) purchased Kreitzer Funeral Home of Arcanum, which was originally Ward Stutz and Jesse Sando's Funeral Home from 1917 and sold to Harold Kreitzer in 1950, then to son Michael Kreitzer. (www.kreitzerfuneralhome.com)

196th Light Infantry Brigade Members Honored

On November 12, 2016, State Highway Route 571 between Greenville and Union City was renamed in honor of **SP4 Robert L. Fowble, Jr**, GHS 1963, and **PFC Jack Beam**, of Union City, and to honor the members of their 196th Light Infantry Brigade. State Representative **Jim Buchy**, GHS 1958, sponsored this bill, Senate Bill 182, and it was signed by Governor **John Kasich**. The ceremony was held at the E.U.M. Church in Union City.

"The men of the 196th Light Infantry Brigade served with SP4 Fowble and PFC Beam when they paid the ultimate sacrifice through actions of bravery. Naming the highway is just recognition of their duty and honor to their country," said Buchy.

They were part of many Darke County men inducted into the Army in the summer of 1965. Nineteen of these Darke County men were in the 196th Brigade in Vietnam before Fowble was killed during hostile action in November, 1966. Beam died one month later. **Larry McLearn**, GHS 1964, served as master of ceremony for this sign dedication service. Other 196th Brigade members honored and present and who were GHS graduates included **Victor Bey**, GHS 1964, **Wayne McNutt**, GHS 1964, and **Jim Batten**, GHS 1963. Those members not present were **Don Hoblit**, GHS 1964 (who now lives in Mexico), **John Bingham**, GHS 1964, and **Doug Black**, GHS 1963 (deceased in 2016).

Speaking on behalf of the Fowble family was Rob's sister, **Joanne Fowble Simmons**, GHS 1972, who was only 12 years old when her brother died in Vietnam.

