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# Our New Digital Newsletter Will Be Changing and Improving

If you have not signed up for our digital newsletters, you may have missed our first "off-season mini newsletter" sent out in July. These will be smaller and containing different information than the spring and fall editions. Eventually, we will not be mailing our newsletters, so please sign up now!

Our Alumni Association is very excited about offering a new product to our members! To keep you "in the know", several smaller newsletters will be emailed with the latest stories and current news. These will contain higher resolution colored pictures that you can print compared to the black and white traditional version. We need to convert members to the new digital version of the newsletter due to the ever-increasing costs of printing and mailing. Please send your email address to <a href="mailto:greenvilleohioalumni@gmail.com">gmail.com</a> along with your name and class graduation year to get started today! You can print our recent newsletters from our website. \*\*No email? A printed version of the newsletter will still be available at this time.

#### **Important Upcoming Dates:**

**Homecoming Parade** Thurs. Oct. 10 (6:30 pm), from Marsh's lot, up Broadway to Harmon Dr., then to Park Band Shell. **Homecoming Football Game,** Fri. Oct. 11 (7:00 pm), vs. West Carrollton, at Harmon Field.

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This edition contains stories about GHS grads who have climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, along with Betty Brodrick's article about "Living in Wakefield", and the losses of three prominent doctors from GHS.

Beginning in January, 2022, we will not be able to print and mail our Alumni Newsletters. Those without computers or other devices will have to have someone receive them who can print out for you. The newsletters will be able to be printed out in color from our website.

## Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday

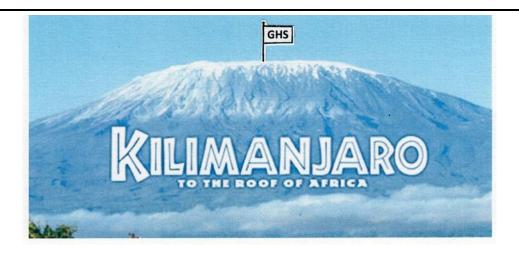
**Jason Williams**, GHS 1939, is celebrating his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday at a nursing home in Sarasota, Florida, where he is living now, August 31, 2019.

"Dad has lived in Florida for 40 years and was a volunteer at Naples Hospital for 25 years. After leaving DP&L as a meter reader, he was used to walking every day. He kept on walking until into his 90's when he started riding a bicycle daily *(pictured here)*. Exercise and being independent were always a priority to him. He has had a good life", says his daughter **Barb Williams Dully**, GHS 1968.

Of Jason's three children, his son, **Jason Williams**, GHS 1972, also lives in Sarasota. Barb and her sister **Kaye Williams** live in Minnesota. Jason is the last of the original Williams family of **J. Lendall** and **Louise Williams**, that included **John Williams**, GHS 1932, **Joel Williams**, GHS 1933, **Ted Williams**, GHS 1935, **Jim Williams**, GHS 1939, and **Becky Williams**, GHS 1941.

Congratulations to a nice and deserving man and thank you, Barb, for bringing this to our attention.





Climbing Mount Kilimanjaro: To the Roof of Africa

Several GHS grads have accomplished what many would consider the challenge of a lifetime – climbing Africa's highest peak, the 19,341-feet high **Mount Kilimanjaro**. This is the world's tallest free-standing mountain, and we have found four Green Wave alumni whom we know about that have attempted and completed this ascent to the top.

The most recent is **Betsy Brown Reiber**, GHS 2005, and her husband **Kraig Reiber**, who celebrated their one-year wedding anniversary Sept. 10, 2017, climbing Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, East Africa. This idea came from one of their groomsmen. Instead of a guest book, the newlyweds had each guest sign what he or she would put on a "bucket list." The groomsman who made this suggestion had planned on going with them but had to cancel out before their trip occurred.

Betsy and Kraig are used to world traveling, having been to 30 countries between them, so far. Some of their destinations have been non-traditional, like this one. Their honeymoon the year before was spent in Myanmar (formerly Burma), and Vietnam, in Southeast Asia.

Their pre-trip conditioning included running half marathons. Prior to their current residence in Washington, D.C., they lived in Cincinnati and ran the city's hills preparing for the Flying Pig Marathon and other races. Since there is no convenient way to condition for the higher elevations to avoid altitude sickness, they chose to take one of the longer routes to the Kilimanjaro summit to more slowly acclimate to the altitude.

The Reibers scheduled their trip through a Tanzania-based company, SENE -- Summit Expeditions and Nomadic Experience, and they completed the 25 hours of flights from Cincinnati to Amsterdam to Tanzania to start. They chose to climb with a small group which included two men from Canada, tour guides, a couple chefs, and 26 porters. The porters carried the supplies needed for the week-long trip and are very valuable crew members who are trained to assist tourists for a safe climb. Porters are responsible for the tents, sleeping bags, and food and cooking supplies. Tourists are permitted to carry their own backpacks with ten to fifteen pounds of personal items, including water and snacks. Betsy said at first she was embarrassed by the large number of porters carrying their equipment, but soon realized that this was their chosen profession. This number of accompanying porters has increased dramatically in recent years.

After walking the 40 miles from the entrance at the west park entry, the Reibers made it to the summit. Their Lemosho route included stops at several camps: Big Tree, Shira 1, Shira 2, Barranco, Karanga, Barafo base camp, and Stella Point at the edge of the crater. From there it was a 30-minute walk to the absolute top at Uhuru Peak. The Reibers started their ascent about 6:00 am and reached the summit about 2:30 pm. After a half hour at the top, the Reibers climbed down into the dormant volcano's crater and camped out for one night.

This trip brought them closer together as a couple. "We learned something about each other," said Kraig. "When we'd wake up in the morning, we knew the other person was there for us." Betsy agreed and concluded by adding, "We like to push ourselves."



Betsy, Kraig, two Canadians along with 30 porters, cooks and guides ready for their Kilimanjaro climb



Kilimanjaro from Karanga Camp, 9-14-17.

Betsy and Kraig reach the summit, 9-16-17.



Happy First Anniversary cake, 9-10-2017, in their tent along the climb to the top.



Beginning in 1991, **Walter I. "Mike" Thieme** encouraged a number of local Greenville citizens to give this climb a try and some did eventually make the attempt. Mike was formerly the longtime CEO of the American Aggregates Corp. in Greenville and is responsible for the local interest in "Kili." He passed away September 9, 2018 in Greenville, two days shy of his 98<sup>th</sup> birthday. He climbed the mountain four times all after his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, and reached the highest point Feb. 27, 1995, which earned him a Guinness world record for being the oldest person to achieve this at 74 years of age. (That record has since been bested by others.) Mike was not a GHS graduate but was married to **Jean Louise Hole Thieme**, GHS 1943 Class Valedictorian.

Mike's daughter, **Susan Thieme Rope**, GHS 1973 Class Valedictorian, became the first GHS grad to complete the feat of reaching Kili's summit, on Feb. 12, 2000, along with her husband, **Ron Rope**. They were aged 44 and 45, respectively.

In the 1990s, each climber was required to have two porters plus a guide for their climbing party. The Ropes/Thieme group made arrangements directly with a local hotel. Their climbing trail, the Marangu Route (aka 'The Coca-Cola Route') approached from the east with an entrance at about 6,000-foot elevation. This climb usually took three or four days up and two days back down. Typical Marangu route accomodations were small A-frame wood huts with four bunks to a room. The Reibers used movable two-person tents for their living quarters en route.

Professional mountain climbers call Kilimanjaro "a mountain for amateurs," with minimal technical climbing required. The Thieme/Ropes trip found that the first three days up the mountain were not difficult but the fourth day was a big one. The final day began around midnight and finished the next afternoon – having climbed about 4,000 feet vertically to the top and descended about 7,000 feet, and having traversed 24 miles at high altitude. This area was surrounded by the northern and eastern icefield glaciers and was cold enough to

freeze their drinking water if exposed. The Ropes and Mike Thieme lived in Idaho and Wyoming at the time and had trained by hiking trails in the western U.S. Taking a medication called Diamox during the Kili climb lessened the risk of high altitude sickness, which they fortunately did not experience.

Before reaching the summit, the Thieme/Ropes route took them to Gilman's Point at 18,650 feet elevation, where there was a spectacular view into the crater as well as the surrounding country. Achieving this point, which is the lowest point of the crater rim, is generally regarded as having "climbed Kilimanjaro," however a further one and a half hour trek leads to the very highest point, Uhuru Peak, at 19,341

feet. Although he had reached Uhuru Peak in 1995, Mike was forced to turn back prior to Gilman's Point in 2000 due to illness. He tried a year later and reached Gilman's Point at age 80 but was forced to turn back prior to Uhuru Peak due to dangerous melting and slippery ice.

"Exhilarating, awe-inspiring, challenging – focus on a single goal – all these start to describe, yet can't, this experience I'll never forget," said Susan. "The biologist in me was fascinated by the changes in plant and animal communities as we got higher and higher. There were monkeys in the lower elevations, giant lobelia stands in the mist of mid-mountain, and no visible life at all on the top. Our final night ascent coincided with a full moon. It wasn't very long into this final trek, through what seemed like a lunar landscape, that there was no doubt in my mind that we were going to make it. That certainty was with me to the very top. I felt more





Ron and Susan Rope, Mike Thieme, and a guide. *(top)* Susan and her Dad Mike.



exhilarated than exhausted."

Ron and Susan at the summit Uhuru Point, 2-12-2000



Susan and Ron at Gilman's Point, 2-12-2000

Nathan Hein, GHS 2005, Jansen Hein, GHS 2007, and their Father Judge Jon Hein completed their climb to the summit along with three other climbers on Sept. 10, 2016, during the dry season. Coincidentally, this is the same day the Reibers got married and were introduced to the Kilimanjaro "bucket list" idea. They also chose the SENE guide group but traveled from the shorter, eastern Coca-Cola route. The Heins expedition group consisted of 31 porters, who carried up to 44 pounds of supplies each and would make quick returns to the base to replentish supplies (items mentioned earlier) for their customers. The Heins each carried a modest backpack weighing about 6 pounds (camera and immediate needs). The guides wanted to spoil their customers (climbers) to make their trip pleasant and will, hopefully, send more tourists to make the excursion. Jon described the experience as "Glamping," or Glamour Camping. The porters even had an oxygen tent with them in case a climber got too short of air. If you feel winded or are breathing heavy, then you are moving too fast and have to slow down your pace. Guides will monitor heart rate and blood oxygen saturation of the climbers every morning and night during the climb. The Thieme/Ropes party did not have oxygen, only the continuous admonition, "polepole," which means "slowly" in Swahili. Susan recalls, "Seeing climbers who had succumbed to altitude sickness being wheeled down the trail on human-powered gurneys added a sobering note to our first day's hike."

The Hein's climb reached heights above the cloud level on the second day. The route traverses five climate zones, from rainforest, heath, moreland, alpine desert to the arctic tundra. There are no ropes needed and it is not a dangerous climb. A typical day trip up includes the gradual grade up and a slight retrace of altitude into a valley to spend the night. In the morning you start out with a steep climb, known as the "Breakfast Wall." The next day you climb a little higher and do the same thing again. Guides constantly instruct climbers to move "polepole" (slowly) and they also share facts and perspectives of life on the mountain. This goes on until you reach the 15,500-foot level, where the climb becomes drastically different. This elevation is higher than any point in the continental U.S. Wind chills can be below zero degrees (F), and wearing long underwear even in the sleeping bags is necessary.

Climbers must keep their water bottles next to their bodies to prevent freezing outside, and they must eat adequate snacks, chocolates, juices and liquids.

Summit night is a wild experience where climbers rest in the evening, then begin the hike around midnight in hopes of reaching the top at or shortly after sunrise. The Heins reached Uhuru Peak just as the sun shot its first rays across the horizon. It was breathtaking to be high enough to vaguely see the curvature of the earth by the sun's rays shooting across the horizon while standing on the ground. Words cannot describe it. After sunrise at these high altitudes, the ice at the top becomes very slippery, making it dangerous to travel across. Time spent at the top is limited to 15 to 30 minutes, with the guides warning that anything can happen at this altitude.

The climb down from the summit was different than the way up because the path is too steep and narrow to allow people to go up and down the same way. Climbers almost skate down (if you can imagine the sliding



Nathan, Jon and Jansen Hein reach the Summit of Mount Kilimanjaro, on September 10, 2016.

one-leg-at-a-time motion) down the back side of the summit through shin-deep piles of loose volcanic ash. It seems like you are sliding down four times faster than you climbed it. The final descent to the park gate takes about one and a half days.

"This was one of the best life experiences I have had with my dad and brother," said Jansen. "You can not help but leave the mountain appreciating the beauty and magnitude of the earth that we spend so much time existing on, yet spend so little time truly exploring. Beautiful."

**Nathan Hein,** GHS 2005, also reached the summit on a previous climb, Sept. 14, 2013, to become the second GHS graduate to do so. He is the only GHS graduate to accomplish this feat more than once.

Several of these excursions, including the ones mentioned here, have ended with a safari in the nearby Serengeti (Tanzania) National Park, completing these ultimate world exploration trips. For example, Mike Thieme's granddaughter Alison Rope celebrated her "3<sup>rd</sup>" leapyear birthday in a tent camp in the Serengeti following her parents' successful Kili climb in 2000, along with her brother Jesse and grandma **Jean Louise Thieme**.

Four other Greenville residents and business-persons who are not Greenville HS graduates have made the climb to the top of Kilimanjaro: **Dr. Leroy Steinbrecher** (in 1995), **Nancy Long Meyer** (in 1995), former Second National Bank CEO **Marv Stammen** (in 2001), former Investment Representative **Steve Litchfield** (in 2001), in addition to the previously mentioned expedition organizer of many trips **Mike Thieme** (did climbs in 1991-92, 1995, 2000, and 2001). The Greenville -involved climbing expeditions took place in 1991-92, 1995, 2000, 2001, 2013, 2016, and 2017. Great determination of the individuals mentioned here and their support groups was necessary to prepare for and to accomplish these world-class expeditions.

Editor's note: Special Thanks to Susan Rope, Betsy Reiber, and Jon and Jansen Hein for their efforts to help our readers comprehend their accomplishments.

Betsy and Kraig at the entrance to Serengeti National Park >>>



Jansen Hein at the Uhuru Peak summit, September 14, 2013. Notice a different sign than is there now.



#### The 1948 Orchestra

Front Row: Jean Staley '48, Rita Ottman '49, Janice Focht '51, Vanis Lephart '48, Duane Allread '49, Jack Frankman '50, John Brandt '48, and Jeanne Keever '52.

Back/Top Row: Bill Fry ;50, Priscilla Martin '51, Jim Heaton '49, Ron Underwood '48, Gene Young '49, E.J. Byram '48, and Ray Wiebusch '49.

Greenville High School Orchestra, Directed by Mr. Dwight Brown

Submitted to the Alumni Association by Marilyn Earhart Robbins '51.



#### 2019 Jack Raudabaugh Awards

The annual **Jack Raudabaugh Awards** are given to a senior boy and a senior girl who is in the top third of the class, must have lettered in two sports, have high leadership qualities, and have good moral character. Coach Raudabaugh was also a teacher and principal from 1937 to 1973. The first boy's award went to future

professional basketball player **Bob "Butch" Brown** in 1942, and the first girls award in 1975 went to **Melanie Brand Bonfiglio**. These awards are amongst the most prestigious given annually at G.H.S.

Jada Garland is this year's girl winner. She lettered four years in golf and had the Lowest Stroke Average three of the years, was Golf Captain, GWOC 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> team all four years, twice District qualifier. She played basketball four years, lettering three times, and was a very good three-point shooter. Academically, she was President of the Student Council, member of National Honor Society, Science Club, the top award winner of Career Art, was a Valedictorian of this year's class, and was on the Homecoming Court. She is the daughter of Shannon Burns

and Clyde Garland and plans to attend Miami University and

study Business.



Noah Walker and Jada Garland

The 67<sup>th</sup> boy to receive the Raudabaugh Award is **Noah Walker.** He played basketball all four years, lettering twice, was Captain of the team and set two basketball school records: Most 3-pointers in a game (8) and Most 3-pointers in a season (73). Noah played football three years, lettering once. In school, he was a member of the National Honor Society, the National Technical Honor Society, Student Council, the Business Professionals of America, and was on the Homecoming Court, too.

Each G.H.S. coach can nominate a boy or girl who qualifies for the award. The picks are made from votes by the Athletic Council members. The two student athletes chosen this year are very deserving and continue the excellent tradition started by Coach Raudabaugh 77 years ago.

## Senior Citizens Day

For over twenty years, the GHS **Student Council** has sponsored a **Senior Citizens Day** in the gymnasium at the end of the school year. This year over 40 attended, which was lower than the average. Some years in the past have entertained up to 75 seniors. Many are transported from the local nursing homes for the 3+hour event.

The **Orchestra** under the direction of **JR Price** GHS 1980 started the entertainment with a half hour program. Next, Mr. Price led the **Jazz Scene** instrumental performances, one of which featured a vocal solo of "Cry Me a River" by Senior Wavaire **Gracie Pell.** The vocal music groups, under the direction of **Chelsea Martin Whirledge** GHS 2007, took to the stage, with the Wavaires, Collage and Chamber Choir performing some of their songs which included some from Choir-O-Rama earlier in the month.

Lunch was provided by Brookdale Assisted Living (formerly the Sterling House). Tables were set up in the gym with Student Council members sitting with all the senior citizens, answering their questions and bringing the food and desserts to the older guests. The afternoon ended with a round of Bingo, which greatly pleased the honored seniors. Any Senior Citizen can sign up for this free event by contacting the Student Council Advisor **Jess Shaffer** at GHS.



The Jazz Scene and the Wavaires perform for the Senior Citizens, May 25, 2019.

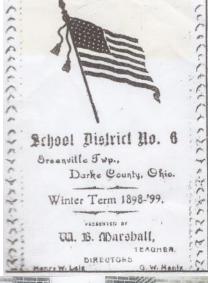
Living in Wakefield and Attending the One-Room #6 Schoolhouse By Betty Lease Brodrick, GHS 1948

The story of the **Wakefield School** has been written by many historians, but no date of its construction has ever been found to establish its actual age. The only help I have is a few pictures and clippings to prove it did exist in the 1800s. My Father, **Edward Lease**, was born in 1899, and his Father, **Henry Lease**, was a Director of the school with **George Mannix** in 1898-1899, who was also a resident of Wakefield.

Who would have ever dreamed that a family of three German immigrants would have purchased 88 acres from **George Starr** in 1847 and cleared off the land to build a log cabin. They were **Maximillian Louie Leis**, his wife **Charlotte** and daughter **Charlotte**. No one had farmed on this land except the Indians as far as I could find in court house records. At least I do know no one ever farmed there since then, except Lease descendants, until Arby's bought the lot to build their restaurant in 1995 at the exact spot where the Lease homestead was. Lease Street is where the front steps of the Lease home were, which was torn down at that time.

My Grandfather **Henry Leis** changed his last name to the American spelling "Lease". My Father was one of twelve children born to **Henry** and **Christine Lease.** I do know that most, if not all of them, attended the Wakefield School and graduated from Greenville High School, as I did. I also know that three of them went to college.

The irony of this story is the fact that my Father and Mother (**Edward** and **Opal Lease**) lived west of the school on Children's Home-Bradford Road. Therefore, my brothers, **Francis Lease** and **Robert Lease** and I, **Betty Lease Brodrick**, also attended Wakefield. We went to Greenville City Schools from the 7<sup>th</sup> grade through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade, and I graduated in 1948. Robert was absent the day this picture was taken. Betty is in front row, 6<sup>th</sup> from the left,





Wakefield School, 1909. Edward Lease, my father is 4th from the left.

and Francis is in the second row, 7<sup>th</sup> from the left. We walked about a mile to school everyday and we never rode in a school bus. Lots of time in the winter, we would boil eggs before we left for school, carry them to keep our hands warm, and later eat them for our lunch.

Automobiles were scarce but our teacher did have one. This time was the Depression years. The school had no phone and very few farms had them either. We had a pump to produce water and lights fueled by

kerosene. There was a huge round stove in the middle of the school for heat. There were two outhouses. The Wakefield #6 little red brick one room school still exists at the corner of Children's Home-Bradford Road and Greenville-Celina Road on the southwest corner. It stands in the midst of increasing development of factories and businesses and I hope it can be saved.

We no doubt sat in the same seats that our ancestors did and definitely wrote on the same slate black boards. The teacher assigned chores to children who wanted to do them during recess. The older boys carried in wood, the younger children washed the blackboards, and the smallest ones clapped the erasers together outdoors to remove the chalk dust. I liked doing chores and it made me feel grown-up.

I remember one very traumatic day for me. An older boy had done something against the rules and was called to the front of the



Wakefield School, about 1940.

school. The teacher took the paddle from the hook on the wall and gave him a few smacks. He started to cry and this scared me so. I put my head down on my desk and started to sob. She did not hit him again.

There is an ongoing effort organized by **Bob Sharp** GHS 1962 and **Jim Sommer** GHS 1962, to keep the Wakefield School from being destroyed. The goal is to buy it as it is on its property, or to move it across the road on an acre of land they control. Many have already donated to this project pf saving this historic school building, and Bob and Jim can be contacted at:

Jim Sommer, 1314 Northview Dr., Greenville, OH, 45331, sommerjim1@gmail.com

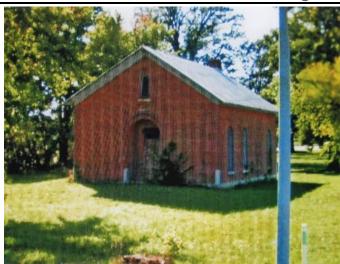
**Bob Sharp**, 3331 Pebble Creek Dr., Dayton, OH, 45432, sharpcpa@aol.com

About a half mile north of the school is the quaint little **Zion Wakefield Lutheran Church.** The land and building were financed by my great grandfather, **Maximillian Louis Leis, Fredrick Beisner,** and **Phillip Hartzell.** All were trustees of the church at that time. The church was built in 1863 with a bell tower added in 1869. There has been a complete restoration done inside and outside. The church received an Award of Merit from the Ohio Historic Preservation Office in 2013.

Editor's note: Thank you, Betty, for this interesting addition to Greenville's history. The Lease family has had many members attend and graduate from GHS and these are some of them:

Betty Lease Brodrick is part of a 4-generation GHS family. Her three daughters:

1--Deborah K. Brodrick Shuff GHS 1969, married John Shuff GHS 1970, children Robert Shuff GHS 1995, Tameria Shuff Price (Ky).



The Wakefield School



The Zion Wakefield Lutheran Church

- 2--Marceena L. Brodrick Hamilton GHS 1973, married Randy Hamilton GHS 1972, had 3 children Krista Hamilton McElroy (Ky), Lori Hamilton Sharp (Ky), and Ryan Hamilton (Ky).
- 3--Roberta A. Brodrick Ditty GHS 1976, married Mike Ditty GHS 1976, had 3 children Mike Ditty GHS 1997, Jessica Ditty Schleigh GHS 2002, and Melissa Ditty GHS 2006.
- --Betty Lease Brodrick GHS 1948, married Robert Brodrick (Arcanum), and her 5 Lease siblings:
- 1--Francis Lease Class of 1947, married Sarah Hanes (Bradford), served 41 years of military service in Army National Guard, had an orchestra, and 4 children: Ronald Lease, Nancy Lease Livingston GHS 1971, Timothy Lease GHS 1978, and Teresa Lease GHS 1980.
- 2--Robert Lease Class of 1949 or 1950, married Dorothy Hauck.
- 3--Lewis Lease Class of 1956, married Carolyn Warvel GHS 1957, had 3 children: Mona Lease GHS 1978, Jana Lease Kolling GHS 1984, and Lana Lease Johnston GHS 1987.
- 4--Carole Lease GHS 1957, died in a car accident, Feb. 25, 1959.
- 5--Marilyn Lease Fritz GHS 1963, married Gene Fritz (Arcanum), had 4 children: Shannon Fritz, Regena Fritz Brown GHS 1989, Troy Fritz GHS 1992, and John Lease.
- --Betty's Father **Edward Lease** attended Greenville schools and his siblings **Gilbert Lease** GHS 1921, **Harold Lease** GHS 1931, **Marjorie Lease Smith**, and **Edith Lease Unger** also graduated from GHS in the 1920's and 1930's. **Gilbert** and **Blanche Wessling Lease** had two children: **Jerry Lease** GHS 1964 and **Linda Kay Lease** Franklin GHS 1967.
- --Betty also has a great grandchild who graduated from GHS, Jacob Price GHS 2011.

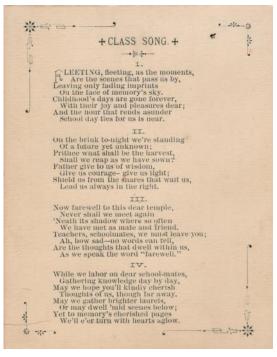
#### Greenville High School Class of 1887

Graduating Seniors: Jacob W. Morrison (Valedictorian), George W. Martz (Salutatorian)

Boys: Herschel Halderman, Aldelbert Martz, David M. McNeal

Girls: Blanche E. Bornstein (Mrs. Joe Mayer), Millie Chenoweth (Mrs. J. Lowell Read), Nannie Eller, Olive J.E. Motte (Mrs. A.E. Grubbs), Pearl L. Matchett (Mrs. William Turner), Edith M. Rasor (Mrs. William Reed), Minnie Stallman (Mrs. David L. Gaskill), Della B. Winget (Mrs. W.R. Gardner)





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Thank you once again to Mr. **Gary Wagner**, GHS '63, for his generous donation of this Graduation Program to our Alumni Association. All the graduating Seniors participated in this program. This is also a small size program, 3.5" by 4.5".

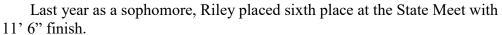
From the last Newsletter, we had three

respondents give us an interpretation of the German words on back page of the 1880 Program, "As long as we are alive, let us live", meaning to love your life. Thank you to **Ron** and **Jill Holzapfel, Janice Johnson,** and **Melanie Bonfiglio,** for researching this German language saying. Many of Greenville's earliest settlers in the 1800s were of German heritage, partly explaining the inclusion of German language in the Graduation.

### State Champion Pole Vaulter

GHS has another State Champion Track Pole Vaulter. At the GWOC track meet at Troy May 11, Junior **Riley Hunt** GHS 2020 set the girl's state all-time pole vault record of 13' 6.5", eclipsing the old record of 13' 6.25". At the Southwest Ohio OHSAA Division I Regionals at Wayne High School on May 25, Riley won the gold medal placing first with a 13' 3" height. At the Ohio Div. I State Track Meet in Columbus June 1, she set another all-time record at 13' 7" and won first place in this meet. She missed some attempts at the 14' elevation, trying to become the first Ohio girl 14-footer.

She is coached by **Micah Coblentz** GHS 1998, who knows that the sky is the limit for Riley's polevaulting career. He has been very instrumental is helping decide the pole heights to attempt, and to keep her mentally improved as well as physically ready. The Head Track and Field Coach for GHS is **Bill Plessinger** GHS 1980, who is the son of long-time Greenville and various Darke County schools Track Coach **Clancy Plessinger** GHS 1936.





The great legacy of GHS Track State Champions was started by **Dwight Salzman**, who taught Physical Education and was Greenville's premier Track Coach. He taught at GHS from 1926 to 1947, with many winning MVL Track Championships. Here is the list of GHS State Champions in Track:

**Herbert "Hip" King** GHS 1936, 120-yard high hurdles. Hip's school record for the long jump of 22' 2.5" has stood for 84 years, having been set in 1935.

**Mel Conner** GHS 1946, 100-yard dash with time of 9.9 seconds (is still a school record, tied by **Ron Eikenberry** in 1952. Their record still holds after 74 years, having been converted to a 100-meter equivalent.

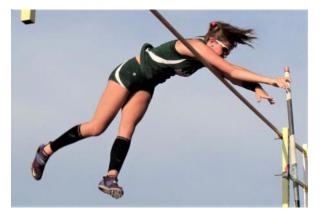
**Edwin "Brooks" Stickel** GHS 1952, won the high jump at State (**Nick Muhlenkamp** GHS 2003 broke Brooks' record at 6' 7.5" but did not win the State title).

**Amy Petersime** GHS 1990, won the State in the girls 100-meter hurdles with 14.1 seconds, a continuing GHS record.

**Kevin Leland** GHS 2009, won the State pole vault in 2009, with height of 15' 9", after setting the Division I boy's record at the Dayton Regionals, at 16' 1" the week before.

**Riley Hunt** GHS 2020, won the girls pole vault at 13' 7" in the 2019 meet, breaking the all-time record twice during May.

Congratulations to Riley and best of luck with her senior year coming up.



Riley vaulting at State and State Award ceremony (photos by Gaylen Blosser)



## "Under the Big Top"

Greenville's **2019 Prom** was held Saturday, May 4, at Romer's Catering and Banquet Center on the Circle for the 13<sup>th</sup> year. Over 300 students attended the festivities which began with a buffet-style dinner. After the Prom ended at 11:00 pm, there was an **After-Prom** held in the High School gym from 11:00 to 2:00 am. The Junior Class once again sponsored this event with their students doing the decorating under the leadership

of Junior Class advisors **Erin Eberwein** and **Mary Moore.** 

The Queen candidates chosen by the Senior Class members were: Kylie Beam (parents Tonya Dickey Beam GHS 1988, and Lonnie Beam, sibling Cody Beam GHS 2009, plans to study Dental Hygiene at Sinclair); Summer Cook (parents Denise Hymes Lower GHS 1996, and Jereny Lower GHS 1999, siblings Ian Cook GHS 2014 and Eli Cook GHS 2016, plans to attend Indiana Univ. East-Richmond, and become an Art teacher); Lauren Dull (parents Greg Dull GHS 1986, and Stacey Dull, sibling Ryan Dull GHS 2021, plans on attending Univ. of Cincinnati to become a film and video editor); Koryann Elliott (parents Mary Enicks Elliott GHS 1982, and Rick Elliott '74 Ansonia, sibling Christopher Elliott GHS 2020, plans on studying Nursing at Edison State); and Valerie Myers (parents Sherry Lotz Myers and James Myers, Grandmother **Rita Myers-***GHS* , siblings **Kate Myers** GHS 2011 and Alexandra Myers GHS 2013, plans on attending Edison State and eventually owning a coffee shop).



PROM COURT 2019

Queen Candidates: Kylie Beam, Summer Cook, Lauren Dull, Koryann Elliott, Marabelle Lance, and Valerie Myers.

King Candidates: Matthew Boltin, Addison Ernst, Mark Zeiler, Daniel Suter, Jordan Dill, and Pablo Badell-Kestler.

This year's Prom Queen was Marabelle Lance, daughter of Elizabeth Hatfield Lance GHS 1995 and Jason Lance from Arizona. She plans on attending Edison State and eventually own her own boutique business. She was Senior Class Vice President and an outstanding Art student. Her original art work of "Blooms and Chucks" depicting a pair of colorful socks, flowers, and a pair of white Converse Chuck Taylor All-Star tennis shoes, was purchased by the Greenville School Board for \$200 to permanently be placed in the Anna Bier Gallery in the Memorial Hall. (see Artwork). Marabelle's sister Chloe Lance was 2015's GHS Prom Queen! Her other siblings include Alex Lance GHS 2016, Felicity Lance GHS 2021, Sadie Lance GHS 2024, and Madeline Lance GHS 2026.



Marabelle's Artwork

The Prom King candidates were: <a href="Pablo Badell-Kestler">Pablo Badell-Kestler</a> (parents Joseph Badell GHS 1988 and Ana Badell, grandparents Sylvia Kelly Badell Pressnall Wapak St-Jo 1963, Mike Pressnall GHS 1966, siblings Jose Badell-Kestler GHS 2016, Carlos GHS 2021, Carmen GHS 2022, Isabel GHS 2026, plans on attending Bowling Green St. Univ. and major in Business); <a href="Matthew Boltin">Matthew Boltin</a> (parents Dave Boltin GHS 1985 and Linda Goehrich Boltin GHS 1983, plans on attending Miami Univ. and major in Psychology and Criminology); <a href="Addison Ernst">Addison Ernst</a> (parents Dave Ernst and Stacy Ernst, siblings Jordan Ernst GHS 2016 and Avery Ernst GHS 2023, plans on studying Pre-Med at Bowling Green); <a href="Mark Zeiler">Mark Zeiler</a> (parents Clint Zeiler and Brenda Bradley, sibling Ariel Zeiler GHS 2015, plans to attend Bowling Green and study Aviation); <a href="Daniel Suter">Daniel Suter</a> (parents Mark Suter GHS 1977 and Linda Engle Suter, grandparents David Suter

GHS 1955 and Chloe Yoder Suter GHS 1956, greatgrandparents John R. Suter GHS 1929 and Mary Thompson Suter GHS 1931 makes Daniel a fourthgeneration GHS Family, siblings Kellen Karger, Joseph Suter GHS 2016, former Prom Queen Leah Suter GHS 2017, Aaron Suter GHS 2021; plans to attend Bowling Green and to also study Aviation).

Royalty at the City Fountain: from left >>>>

Prom Queen Marabelle Lance

Prom King Jordan Dill

Chief Green Wave Colton Zumbrun

Homecoming Queen Brooke Stachler



#### Alumni Open House 2019

Our 11<sup>th</sup> year Alumni Open House was held on Sunday afternoon, May 5, at the GHS Cafeteria, and was our largest one to date and was quite successful. **Dave Gauvey** GHS 1956 once again traveled the farthest to attend – 1,200 miles from his home in Texas. Attendees were able to see the constantly-being-updated Kiosk which the High School installed in 2017 to make school history more accessible. The Class of 1962 always holds a "mini reunion" at this Open House. The Open House is always a free showcase of our school's history and most who attend stay for an extended time. This provides an opportunity to meet up with old friends and classmates and reminisce. There is much history to see here, and here are some photos from this year's date. Come see us next year!



<<Denny Neff, GHS 1954, John Marchal GHS 1951, and Dave Gauvey GHS 1956.

Sue Thomas Schlechty GHS 1964, Charlotte Snyder Wright 1964, and Richard Wright, GHS 1961. >>>>>





CLASS OF 1962: Marilyn Boolman Schmackers, Jacque Malinas Curran, Carolyn Boolman McGuire, and Alice Ann Morrison Brown. Back: Tom T. Smith, Bob Sharp, Ted Hicks, Jim Sommer, and Charles Crumrine.





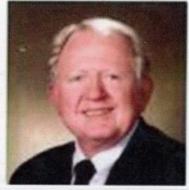
Three Famed Doctors and One Wife from GHS Pass Away and Were Lifelong Friends

Three of Greenville's brightest Doctors died within two years and they were all closely connected at GHS and with each other throughout their lives: **Dr. John Timmons, Dr. Steve Deardourff,** and **Dr. Kent Teaford**, along with Kent's wife **Mrs. Sue Straker Teaford.** 

The first was **Dr. John Timmons** GHS 1960 (1942-2016), received his undergraduate degree (1964) and Medical Doctorate degree from Ohio State University (1967). He did his residence at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, and his fellowship at the Detroit Children's Home, Michigan. He served as a Medical Officer in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Honolulu from 1967 to 1970, during the Vietnam War era. After the War, John practiced medicine before entering the practice of Urology in Gainesville, Florida, at the North Central Florida Regional Medical Center along with GHS classmate **Dr. Steve Deardourff**, until John retired in 2010. Doctor T. and Doctor D. combined their medical expertise and engaging personalities to provide excellent medical care to patients from South Florida to Georgia. Their sense of humor brought ease to their patients, and they provided a vibrant and fun environment for their nurses and staff.

Dr. Timmons was an outstanding golfer his whole life. First, he was one of the top five golfers who helped GHS to a second-place finish at the Ohio State Golf tournament in 1959 in what has been the best golf team in GHS history. **Dr. Kent Teaford** was also one of those top five golfers, finishing second at state. John was on the Varsity Golf Team at OSU from 1962 to 1964, and he was constantly traveling around the world in pursuit of playing the most prestigious golf courses.

Dr. Timmons retired to the town of Ninety-Six, in upstate South Carolina, passed away Feb. 17, 2016, and is survived by his wife, April Powers Timmons three daughters, six grandchildren, and a step grandchild.



Doctor John Timmons (above), and as 1960 Senior

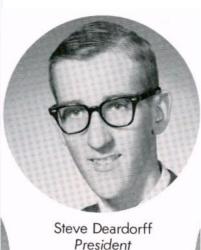


John Timmons

**Dr. Stephen Deardourff** GHS 1960 (1942-2018), received both his Microbiology B.S. Degree (1964) and Medical degree (1968) from Ohio State. He was President of his High School class and also President of the medical honorary fraternity at OSU. In 1968, he married Margie Lynn George Deardourff, a nurse he met while at OSU. He was sent to Tripler Army Medical Center in Honolulu for his internship, then was a medical officer and combat surgeon in the Army's First Infantry, "The Big Red

One" (1969-1970) in Vietnam. He was stationed at the largest Evacuation Hospital in Vietnam, and personally assisted on over 100 helicopter missions. Back on the mainland, Steve and Margie moved to Coral Gables, Florida. After his military obligation ended in 1971, he reunited with two of his OSU medical school buddies, Dr. Philip Hess and Dr. Jack Hollenbeck in Gainesville, Florida. After residency training for Urology at University of Florida, he became the first Urologist at the North Central Florida Regional Medical Center in 1974. At one time, he was Chief of Surgery at this Medical Center. He recruited his boyhood friend Dr. John Timmons to come to Gainesville in 1976 and this started their business as the





Doctor Steve Deardourff, and as a 1960 Senior at GHS

"dynamic duo", the Deardourff-Timmons Urologic office.

Steve retired in 2007 from the operating table duties, to spend his time playing some of the greatest golf courses in the world. One of his golfing nicknames was "The Arrow" because of how straight he hit the ball off the tee. Once he fulfilled his lifelong dream of playing golf with **Arnold Palmer**. He was an avid traveler through the years and made many trips to Europe and enjoyed driving his own car on the Great American Road Trip. He became an ardent supporter of Florida Gator athletics, but he did honor his Buckeye heritage.

Dr. Deardourff passed away Jan. 12, 2018, and is survived by his wife of 49 years, Margie. They had two daughters and one son, and five grandchildren.

Dr. (Alan) Kent Teaford GHS 1959 (1941-2018) and his high-school sweetheart and wife Sue Straker Teaford GHS 1960 (1942-2018) died following a single-vehicle automobile accident January 28, 2018, near their home in Walnut Creek, California – Kent on Jan. 28 and Sue on Jan. 31. They both graduated with undergraduate degrees from Ohio State. Kent received his medical degree from Northwestern University and his internship at Letterman Army Hospital in San Francisco. He enlisted in the Army and completed his residency in radiology at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C. Kent and Sue married in 1964, and moved to Temple, Texas, in 1973, where he began a long career as a Neuroradiologist at Scott and White Memorial Hospital. He brought the first CT scanner to Texas at that time. Scott and White Hospital was ranked one of the Top 100 Hospitals in the country and Top 15 teaching hospitals as ranked by Thompson-Reuters in 2011. Sue was a part-time nurse and full-time homemaker for their three children. They remained dedicated Buckeye fans their whole lives. He was intellectually curious and funny, and she was good at whatever she put her mind to. Their children all graduated from Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA, and had successful careers in medicine and law.

Kent and Sue retired to Payson, Arizona, in 2002. She enjoyed nature, took long walks, enjoyed gardening and cooking, and loved to read and study history. Kent played much golf, was in Bridge leagues, and they both loved to travel and spend time with their six grandchildren. In November, 2017, Kent and Sue relocated to the Rossmoor community in Walnut Creek, CA., (east San Francisco Bay area near Oakland) to spend more time with their daughter Jenny and her husband and two children. The Teafords passed away two months later.

All four of these highly achieving friends came from good long-time Greenville families. John's parents, **John Timmons**, **Sr.**, and **Elizabeth** 

Timmons operated Ohio Servisoft in Greenville. Steve's father Dave Deardourff GHS 1923, was a Greenville Daily Advocate newspaper editor, and mother Ella McGreevey Deardourff GHS 1926, was a nurse. Steve's older brothers John Deardourff GHS 1951 and Dave Deardourff GHS 1953 have both passed. Kent's parents were Milo Teaford GHS 1934 and Betty Robbins Teaford GHS 1936, and they were long-time owners of T's (Teaford's) Dairy Store at Pine and Sweitzer Streets on Greenville's south side. Sue's parents were Dr. Joe



Sue Straker Secretary



Sue and Doctor Kent Teaford (above)

and

Sue and Kent as Seniors at GHS (below)

Kent Teaford



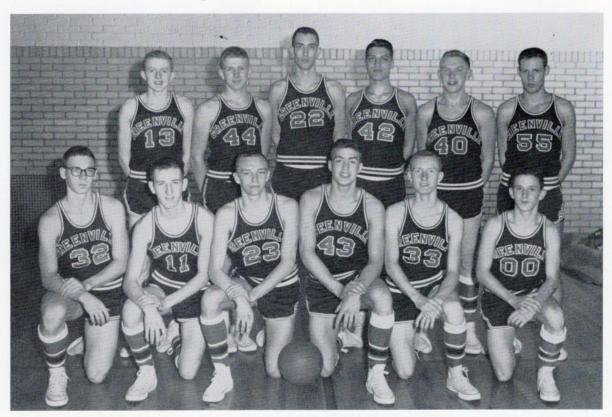
Straker GHS 1924 and Mildred Boggs Straker, with Dr. Straker being a long-time Greenville Veterinarian, as was his father before him. Sue's siblings survive: Ann Straker Timmons GHS 1962 (Florida), Jim Straker GHS 1966 (Ohio), John Straker GHS 1966 (Texas), and Rick Straker GHS 1968 (Hawaii). Kent's sister Kathy Teaford Borel GHS 1961 (Florida) also survives.

John, Steve, Kent and Sue were the top echelon of the students at GHS at that time. All four were in the Top Ten academically in their classes of 1959 and 1960, with Kent being the 1959 Class Valedictorian. All four were members of the National Honor Society chapter at GHS. Ironically, Milo Teaford was a member of the first ever NHS induction at GHS in 1934, and Kent's sister, Kathy was the first ever NHS President and 1961 Class Salutatorian at GHS. All the doctors were outstanding and accomplished athletes in their high school years. An interesting team picture shown here is from the 1959 Chief and shows all three of these future doctors on the Green Wave Varsity Basketball team roster during the 1958-59 season.

The three doctors were all husbands, fathers, grandfathers, healers, mentors, intellectuals, teachers, friends and veterans. Although all of these outstanding citizens had left Greenville a long time ago, the older alumni will never forget their presence and the impact they made while they were here. They are amongst the best students who have ever graduated from GHS and their legacies will continue.

Editor's note: Many thanks to GHS loyal alum **Jim Troxell** GHS 1954 for bringing this to our attention. Most information here came from the published obituaries, news articles, general knowledge, and the Chief yearbooks. I personally remember looking up to John as a player on our church softball team when I was too young to play. We'll miss them all.

## Green Wave Varsity Squad



FIRST ROW: Layne Peiffer, Steve Deardourff, Floyd Longfellow, Dave Spidel, Bud Sink, Kenny Clark. SECOND ROW: John Timmons, Kent Teaford, Ross Gruber, Benton Oliver, Keith Fasnacht, Bill Eve.

1958-1959 Green Wave Varsity Boys Basketball, Richard Marshall, Head Coach

#### Greenville High School Golf Team



FIRST ROW: Jeff Wilson, Kent Teaford, Bud Sink, Stuart Hughes, Skip Wille, John Timmons. SECOND ROW: Coach DiRocco, Bill Hughes, Dutch Wogoman, Dick Wright, Kenneth Scholl, Ted Williams, Gary Zechar.

1958-59 Boys Varsity Golf--State 2nd Place, Tony DiRocco, Head Coach

This was the Green Wave's best all-time Golf team. John and Kent got a head start on their golf game while still in high school.

Although Steve was not on this team, he later was able to get his share of playing golf throughout his lifetime. His many high school activities kept him too busy for the golf team at that time.

#### Holiday Horse Parade

November 17, 2018, was the date for this year's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Hometown Holiday Horse Parade, down Broadway and back. For the sixth straight year, the Grand Marshal was a GHS graduate -- this time, **Dick Brown** GHS 1964. For the first time since inception, the 2017 Parade had to be cancelled due to high winds. Cold temperatures or ice and snow have not resulted in any cancellation of any of the earlier Horse Parades, but strong winds can be dangerous and make the horses act erotically. Dick is pictured in the carriage with his wife **Dianne** holding granddaughter **Hazel**, along with daughters **Brandy Brown Hill** GHS 2003 and **Betsy Brown Reiber** GHS 2005. Dick has been President of the GHS Alumni Association for ten years.

There were nearly 100 equine entries, and approximately 8,000 spectators who lined both sides of Broadway in the central business district. Once again this year, this event has been voted a "Best of Ohio" parade.

The recent Grand Marshals for this parade have been **Phyllis Hufnagle Mong** GHS 1950 in 2012, **David Marshall** GHS 1976 in 2013, **Jenny Seiler Clark** GHS 1973 in 2014, **Jim Buchy** GHS 1958 in 2015, and **Dean** and **Arlene Spahr Bankson** GHS 1959 in 2016. (None in 2017.) We have done stories in previous Newsletters about each of these winners.



### Marling Band Shell Dedication

On July 1, 2018, the completely remodeled Albert J. Marling Band Shell became a reality, and was opened to the public. City Park Board President **Dale Musser** welcomed nearly 1,000 citizens for the ceremony followed by the first Municipal Band Concert of the summer. Former Mayor **Mike Bowers**, GHS '79, gave a history of the project over the past 10 years. Current Mayor **Steve Willman**, GHS '71, thanked community members who supported the project. Former State Representative **Jim Buchy**, GHS '58, said, "Tonight, we gather to celebrate what we're going to pass on to future generations." Ohio Department of Natural Resources **Jim Zehringer** explained how the ODNR \$150,000 grant is used to support outdoor activities. Darke Country Chamber of Commerce Ambassador **Bob Nelson**, GHS '61, led the ribbon cutting part of the ceremony. The honors of cutting the ribbon went to current Municipal Band Director **J.R. Price**, GHS '80. The Park Board raised nearly \$190,000 from businesses, individuals and organizations, along with the city officials who approved a loan to finish the project.

Greenville dentist Albert Marling's estate donated \$1,000 for construction of the original band shell in 1934. Greenville's Municipal Band is believed to be the oldest Municipal Band in the state and, perhaps, in the country. Starting about 1930, long time Director, **Dwight Brown**, GHS 1916, had the dream of finding a home for the local band. They had played uptown on hay wagons before Mr. Brown approached the city about this project. Marling wanted income from his estate to be used for "the Greenville Hospital, the City Park playground, and for crippled and unfortunate children." The first concerts were on Thursday evenings in 1934, and it served its purpose of providing a gathering place for folks to come together and enjoy music at this location. Local records indicate that the municipal band was established May 22, 1869, and possibly had roots before then.

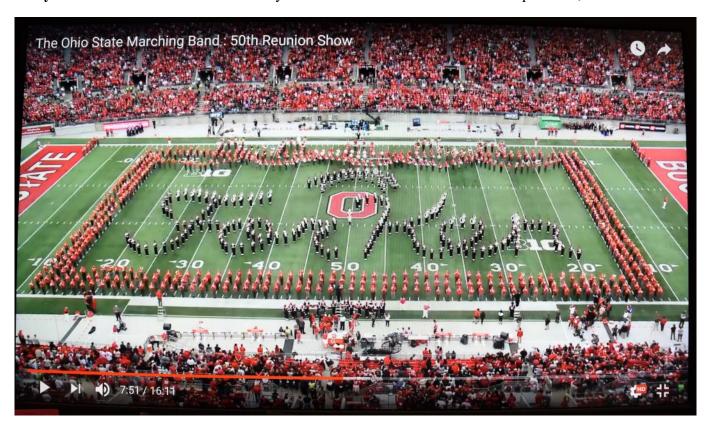
One of Greenville's premier trumpet musicians is **John Robert Slonaker**, GHS '53, who also plays in the Piqua, Troy and Sidney Municipal Bands. "Johnny Bob" winters at The Villages, Florida, and plays in 4 bands there. He is starting a movement to have the Band Shell renamed the "Marling-Brown Band Shell" to honor the 50 years Dwight Brown played in and directed the band. If you have support for this, please let the editor/ President know by email and I'll pass it on to John.



### Ken McCoy honored at Ohio State football game halftime

The Ohio State University Marching Band paid tribute to **Ken McCoy**, GHS 1964, at the halftime of the Ohio State versus Tulane football game, September 22, 2018. With the "Pride of the Buckeyes" Marching Band coming onto the field at the beginning of halftime, the stadium announcer said,

"Ladies and Gentlemen. Today is a day of celebration as we mark the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion of the T.B.D.B.I.T.L. (The Best Damn Band In The Land) Alumni Club, in honor of the memory of our longtime arranger **Ken McCoy.** Here's Ken's Fanfare For The Day." Formations of the Band were "Script Ohio", "Good Vibrations"



with convertible car, surfer and wave with a Wipeout, "Our Favorite Things", "Celebration" with the nearly 700 alumni band members surrounding this year's Band.

"We conclude this portion of the celebration from when Ken was Field Commander of the U.S. Army

Field Band and this piece was one of the first songs Ken arranged for us back in 1995," stated the announcer. The song played was "God Bless America" and the Band

formation spelled out "For Ken", followed by a "USA" formation.

The halftime program ended with the current and alumni bands creating four Script Ohios covering the football field. Ken will be sorely missed by not only the OSU Marching Band, but also by our local Greenville Band of Pride and by our local Greenville family.



#### GHS OBITUARIES - 2018

#### 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, such as, for example, <a href="www.dignitymemorial.com">www.dignitymemorial.com</a>

TYPE IN THE WEB ADDRESS AND CLICK ON "OBITUARIES".

# GHS OBITUARIES for 2018 (from oldest class):

GHS Alumnus or Student, Age at Death(www.website code)	Class Date of Death, Place of Residence			
Mary Ann Powell Martin, 103 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1932 d. May 27, Greenville, OH			
Margaret Isabelle McEowen Haslanger, 103(TobiasFuneralHome) 1932 d. Feb. 4, Dayton, OH				
Isabelle Powell Hufford, 101 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1934 d. Dec. 22, St. Marys, OH			
Mildred Rose "Mid" Grote Hufnagle, 101 (DignityMemorial)	1934 d. Aug. 15, Greenville, OH			
Mary C. Royer Harsh, 97 (DignityMemorial)	1938 d. Jan. 24, Greenville, OH			
Ralph E. Knick, 97 (DignityMemorial)	1939 d. July 8, Greenville, OH			
Robert "Bob" Sink, 95 (BairdFuneralHome)	1940 d. Sept. 23, Troy, OH			
Betty Mae Karn Munn, 94 (DignityMemorial)	1940 d. Jan. 12, Greenville, OH			
Marjorie Mary Pequignot Sink, 95 (BairdFuneralHome)	1941 d. Dec. 14, Troy, OH			
Clara Louise Richardson Miller, 94 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1942 d. Feb. 4, Canal Fulton, OH			
Jean Schmidt Thompson Longfellow, 93 (DignityMemorial)	1942 d. Apr. 17, Greenville, OH			
Jean Mae Lease Klepinger, 93 (DignityMemorial)	1942 d. Apr. 23, Greenville, OH			
Duard G. "Doc" Runner, 95 (DignityMemorial)	1942 d. Dec. 18, Greenville, OH			
Dr. Thomas Richard Nealeigh, 92 (DignityMemorial)	1943 d. Feb. 10, Versailles, OH			
Richard N. Seiler, 92 (Legacy)	1944 d. Nov. 5, Greenville, OH			
Donald L. Powell, 92 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1944 d. Aug. 30, Greenville, OH			
Ruth M. Sleppy Aleshire, 91 (DignityMemorial)	1945 d. Nov. 22, Greenville, OH			
Louann A. Spillman Heinrichs, 91 (DignityMemorial)*	<ul><li>d. Aug. 6, Englewood, OH</li></ul>			
*Louann "Tot" was a Home Economics teacher at GHS from 1965 to 1988				
Donna Jeanne Poling Thomas, 90 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1945 d. Apr. 6, Greenville, OH			
G. Richard Locke, 92 (DignityMemorial)	1945 d. Aug. 28, Greenville, OH			

George Samuel Edger, 91 (ChurchFuneralsDirect)	1945 d. June 20, Greenville, OH		
Patricia Ann "Pat" Rexrode Arnett, 89 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1946 d. July 23, Celina, OH		
Charles E. "Gene" Bowman, 89 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1946 d. Feb. 21, Greenville, OH		
Jane Stoner-McGlinch, 89 (DignityMemorial)	1946 d. Jan.20, Columbus, OH		
Martha E. Arnett Riegle, 89 (DignityMemorial)	1947 d. Aug. 3, Greenville, OH		
Lewis Phillip Reinheimer, 88 (TobiasFuneralHome)	1947 d. June 30, Kettering, OH		
Helen Maxine Miller Martin, 88 (DignityMemorial)	1947 d. Apr. 24, Greenville, OH		
John Stull Powell, 87 (Dignity Memorial)	1948 d. May 6, Greenville, OH		
Mary N. Tester, 88 (DignityMemorial)	1948 d. Jan. 17, Greenville, OH		
Gene Carrol Young, 87 TributeFuneralHomes	1949 d. Dec. 3, Greenville, OH		
Victor F. Hauberg, 86 (DignityMemorial)	1949 d. Apr. 7, Brookville, IN		
Barbara R. Schmalenberger Sparklin, 86 (Legacy)	1950 d. Mar. 27, Beavercreek, OH		
Frances Ellen Summers Jackson, 86 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1950 d. Dec. 17, Greenville, OH		
Donald D. "Duane" Gilbert, 85 (DignityMemorial)	1950 d. Feb. 4, Greenville, OH		
Karen Jane O'Brien Hudson, 85 (TributeFuneralHomes)**	1951 d. Sept. 17, Greenville, OH		
**A longtime Greenville resident, Karen graduated from McC	Guffey High School in Oxford		
Joe Sheldon Vannoy, 85 (CommunityFamilyFH)	1951 d. July 24, Richmond, IN		
Jeanne E. Keever Powell, 84 (DignityMemorial)	1952 d. Nov. 11, Greenville, OH		
Donald R. Horner, 84 (Legacy)***	<ul><li>d. Apr. 26. Gettysburg, OH</li></ul>		
***Don was a 1952 graduate of Gettysburg HS, and worked for Greenville schools for 23 years			
Mary Jane Emmons Whittaker, 83 (DignityMemorial)	1953 d. May 14, Vandalia, OH		
Ronald Gene "Ron" Eikenberry, 82 (DignityMemorial)	1953 d. Jan. 12, Greenville, OH		
Dwaine Richard Holsapple, 82 (DignityMemorial)	1954 d. May 30, Greenville, OH		
Charlene Eller Bulcher Walters, 81 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1954 d. Mar. 19, Greenville, OH		
Beverly June King Bowman, 81 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1954 d. Sept. 26, Greenville, OH		
Richard Howard Marchal, 80 (McCoyFuneralHome)	1955 d. Mar. 31, Blacksburg, VA		
Gary B. Foureman, 80 (DignityMemorial)	1955 d. Mar. 23, Greenville, OH		
Donald Russell Baker, 81 (DignityMemorial)	1955 d. Mar. 23, Greenville, OH		
Mary A. Baumgardner Whittington, 81 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1955 d. Nov. 22, Greenville, OH		
Mary F. Lennen, 81 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1955 d. Feb. 19, Greenville, OH		
Harold Richard Maxwell, Sr., 82 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1955 d. Feb. 16, Henderson, NV		
Kay Edna Wilson Riffle, 80 (DignityMemorial)	1955 d. Aug. 28, Ansonia, OH		
Shirley D. Halley Westfall, 81 (ReichardFH)	1956 d. Dec. 3, Union City, OH		
Joy Irene Buckingham Grody, 80 (DignityMemorial)	1956 d. May 9, Dayton, OH		
Charles M. Musselman, 80 (DignityMemorial)	1956 d. May 23, '17, Ansonia, OH		
Ronnie Lee Hartrum, 80 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1957 d. July 25, Ansonia, OH		
Laurence Eugene "Larry" Franklin, 79 (RandallRoberts)	1957 d. Feb. 5, Noblesville, IN		
Shirley Ann Cole Robertson, 79 (DignityMemorial)	1957 d. Feb. 7, Greenville, OH		
Richard G. Boolman, 78 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1958 d. July 25, Greenville, OH		
James Douglas Greendyke, Jr., 78 (DignityMemorial)	1958 d. Sept. 16, Greenville, OH		

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Marilyn Jayne Robbins Emmons, 77 (DignityMemorial)	1958 d. Mar. 3, Greenville, OH
Joseph Josef Rudolf "Joe" Suter, 77 (DignityMemorial)	1959 d. Dec. 3, Greenville, OH
Shirley Ann Fletcher Heindl, 77 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1959 d. July 19, Greenville, OH
Buddy Lee Sink, 77 (DignityMemorial)	1959 d. Dec. 1, Greenville, OH
Deloris Anne "Dee" Bolyard Crusoe, 77 (JamiesonandYannucci)	1959 d. July 25, Troy, OH
Michael B. Karn, 76 (DignityMemorial)	1959 d. Mar. 23, Greenville, OH
Dr. Alan "Kent" Teaford, 76 (TDTNews)	1959 d. Jan. 28, Walnut Creek, CA
Sue Ellen Straker Teaford, 75 (TDTNews)	1960 d. Jan. 31, Walnut Creek, CA
James William "Jim" Meador, 75 (Legacy)	1960 d. June 8, Hudson, FL
Dick Shuttleworth, 76 (DignityMemorial)	1960 d. June 19. Woodington, OH
Dr. Stephen Lee Deardourff, 75 (WilliamsThomasFuneralHome)	1960 d. Jan. 12, Gainesville, FL
Charles Robert "Butch" Sanders, 75 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1961 d. Dec. 20, Greenville, OH
Garry Leon Weaver, 75 (DignityMemorial)	1961 d. Sept. 9, Greenville, OH
Jan Carlton Horner, 74 (Legacy)	1961 d. July 16, Greenville, OH
Jean Deloris Crowell Stoner, 74 (DignityMemorial)	1961 d. June 7, Walkerton, IN
E. Irene Nill Coppock, 75 (DignityMemorial)	1961 d. July 1, Greenville, OH
Carolyn Sue Follrod Hans, 74 (DignityMemorial)****	<ul><li>d. June 27, New Madison, OH</li></ul>
****Carolyn was a Language Arts teacher at GHS, and the AE	BLE program, not GHS graduate
Penelope Ann Cable Farmer, 73 (DignityMemorial)	1962 d. Mar. 20, Arcanum, OH
Donald Eugene Willis, 74	1962 d. July 6, Rancho Santa Fe, CA
Robert Nolan Alspaugh, 74 (DignityMemorial)	1962 d. Oct. 25, New Madison, OH
Harry E. Ogle, Jr., 73 (KreitzerFuneralHome)	1962 d. Apr. 5, Arcanum, OH
Constance Kay "Connie" Arnett Myers, 75 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1962 d. Feb. 14, Greenville, OH
Tim R. Hunt, 74 (DignityMemorial)	1963 d. Dec. 24, Greenville, OH
Vicki C. Drew Young, 74 (DignityMemorial)	1963 d. Feb. 12, Palestine, OH
Charles Robert Anthony, 72 (TributeFuneralHomes)	1964 d. Mar. 4, Greenville, OH
Evelyn Marie "Eve" Denlinger Fout, 72 (StockerFraley)	1964 d. Jan. 20, Bradford, OH
John Kenneth "Ken" McCoy, 71 (DignityMemorial)	1964 d. Jan. 11, Greenville, OH
Kristopher Kim Garrison, 71 (DignityMemorial)	1964 d. Mar. 22, Greenville, OH
Gregory L. Shields, Sr., 71 (EarlyBirdPaper.com/shields-gregory)	1964 d. May 4, West Carrollton, OH
Janet Lee Guy Sleigh, 71 (Snyder-HoeningFuneralHome)	1964 d. May 11, Lima, OH
David Lowell Deeter, 72 (DignityMemorial)	1964 d. Dec. 14, Greenville, OH
Brian Wayne Moore, 71 (Missoulian.com)	1965 d. Nov. 1, Missoula, MT
LaJeanne Rae Brewer Stump, 70 (KreitzerFuneralHome)	1965 d. May 25, Arcanum, OH
Susan Kay Petersime Norman, 70	1965 d. Feb. 9, Fountain City, IN
Stephen Alan Sink, 72 (StallingsFH)	1965 d. Nov. 3, Pasadena, MD
Shelba Jean Buckingham Fitzgerald, 71 (DignityMemorial)	1965 d. Nov. 16, Greenville, OH
Eric Marvin "Rick" Hughes, 71 (DignityMemorial)	1965 d. Nov. 11, Greenville, OH

Michael Scipio Lehman, 70 (Legacy) 1965 d. Feb. 10. Marietta, GA Connie May Hale Yoder, 71 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1965 d. Jan. 29, Greenville, OH Kenneth Russell Enochs, 70 (Legacy) 1965 d. July 15, Hazard, KY Harold Park Sabroff, 71 (DignityMemorial) 1966 d. July 31, Greenville, OH Sharon Kay Redinbaugh Harding, 70 (EarlyBirdPaper.com) 1966 d. Aug. 21, Greenville, OH Michael Edward Pressnall, 69 (EarlyBirdPaper.com) 1966 d. Apr. 21, Greenville, OH Marjorie Karen Gower Hughes, 71 (DignityMemorial) 1967 d. Dec. 5, Greenville, OH Karl Kent Coppock, 69 (DignityMemorial) 1967 d. May 3, Arcanum, OH Stephen Craig Reck, 69 (NewcomerColumbus) 1967 d. Dec. 30, Columbus, OH Cinda Fay Gibson Coby-Pearson, 68 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1968 d. Apr. 2, Greenville, OH 1969 d. Apr. 5, Greenville, OH Susie Heltzel George, 67 (DignityMemorial) Linda Arlene Hathaway Ballard, 68 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1969 d. Aug. 28, Greenville, OH Stephen Robert Schafer, 67 (DignityMemorial) 1969 d. Jan. 5, Greenville, OH David Leroy Lady, 66 (Legacy) 1970 d. Sept. 11, Huntsville, AL William E. Grice III, 66 (DignityMemorial) 1970 d. June 29, Greenville, OH Linda Bruss, 68 (DignityMemorial) 1970 d. Oct. 4, Wayne Lakes, OH Tanya Lin Gibson Denning, 67 (EarlyBirdPaper.com) 1970 d. Apr. 9, Kodak, TN Thomas Eugene Bowman, 66 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1971 d. June 24, Greenville, OH Terry Allread, 65 (KreitzerFuneralHome) 1971 d. Nov. 22, Ithaca, OH Pamela Sue Hart, 65 (DignityMemorial) 1971 d. Jan. 14, Greenville, OH Nancy Jean Strait Conner, 63 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1972 d. Feb. 16, Greenville, OH Debra Martin, 64 (DignityMemorial)–GHS teacher from 1997-2018 1972 d. June 19, Greenville, OH Gary Leon "Ziff" Arnold, 62 (DignityMemorial) 1973 d. May 7, West Milton, OH Gayle "Elaine" Washler Bailey, 63 (ReichardFH) 1973 d. May 14, Greenville, OH James Ray Ploch, 63 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1973 d. Jan. 2, Greenville, OH Lewis Ray Hopsecker, 61 (NewcomerDayton) 1975 d. Nov. 4, Huber Heights, OH Carlie Lee Reel Marshal, 60 (DignityMemorial) 1976 d. Aug. 10, Arcanum, OH Donald Richard Clippinger, 59 (DignityMemorial) 1977 d. July 9, Glenview, IL Coleen Marie Pence-Sizelove, 58 (PaulYoungFuneralHome) 1977 d. Mar. 15, Oxford, OH Dennis Robert Null, 61 (EvansFuneralHome) 1977 d. Dec. 24, Milford, OH Randall Joe Weyrick, 58 (DignityMemorial) 1978 d. July 6, Greenville, OH Rodney Alan Enicks, 59 (NewcomerDayton) 1978 d. May 31, Tipp City, OH Deborah Diane Davidson-Smith, 58 (TributeFuneralHomes) 1978 d. July 16, New Madison, OH Dixie J. Melling Clark, 59 (DignityMemorial) 1978 d. Mar. 1, Greenville, OH 1979 d. June 6, Venice FL Mark Allen Robbins, 57 (EarlyBirdPaper.com) Tony L. Baker, 56 (EarlyBirdPaper.com) 1980 d. June 22, Pekin, IN Timothy Alan Ullery, 54 (DignityMemorial) 1982 d. Dec. 22, Greenville, OH Rockne Desmond Seiler, 54 (DignityMemorial) 1982 d. Feb. 15, Greenville, OH Michael Klu Cole, 54 (DignityMemorial) 1982 d. Jan. 30, Greenville, OH Mark A. Monnin, 53 (DignityMemorial) 1983 d. Oct. 5, Greenville, OH

### GHS OBITUARIES for 2018 (from oldest class):

GHS Alumnus or Student, Age at Death(www.website code)

John A. Randall, 52 (DignityMemorial)

Rodney Alan Payne, 53 (DignityMemorial)

Kent Allen Clark, 52 (DignityMemorial)

Timothy Robert Doss, 52 (DignityMemorial)

Steven Kent Lawrence, 50 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Allison Anne Davis Grundish, 50 (KindredFuneralHome)

Tisha Kay Nunley Gibson, 49 (DignityMemorial)

Cynthia Ann Edger Davidson, 47 (ChurchFuneralsDirect)

David Joseph Rhoades, 47 (DignityMemorial)

Laurie Jean Hammer Spurlock, 44 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Thomas Ernest Crandall, 43 (DignityMemorial)

Brandy J. Boyd Minnich, 42 (DignityMemorial)

Erik C. O'Connor, 41 (DignityMemorial)

Daryl Alan Bryant, 41 (DignityMemorial)

Christina "Christi" Leanne Haag, 38 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Andrew Mark "Drew" Heggie, 37 (EarlyBirdPaper.com)

Elizabeth Boatman Brewer, 37 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Jennifer Arliene Amick, 32 (DignityMemorial)

Cody L. Burelison, 31 (DignityMemorial)

William Matthew "Matt" Smith, 31 (DignityMemorial)

Kayla Marie Schaefer, 27 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Michael "Christian" Bennett, 21 (TributeFuneralHomes)

Alex Cameron Gunckle, 22 (DignityMemorial)

Destinea Lise' Pierce, 19 (DignityMemorial)

Macie Lynn Riegle, 20, (TributeFuneralHomes)

Class Date of Death, Place of Residence

1983 d. Feb. 17, Greenville, OH

1984 d. Nov. 25, Greenville, OH

1984 d. Apr. 23, Greenville, OH

1985 d. Oct. 21, Greenville, OH

1986 d. Sept. 22, New Madison, OH

1986 d. June 2, Englewood, OH

1987 d. May 31, New Weston, OH

1988 d. Apr. 6, Greenville, OH

1989 d. Sept. 19, St. Henry, OH

1992 d. Dec. 25, Greenville, OH

1992 d. Feb. 25, Bradford, OH

1995 d. Nov. 6, Greenville, OH

1996 d. July 14, Greenville, OH

1996 d. June 24, Richmond, IN

1998 d. Jan. 13, Greenville, OH

1999 d. May 4, Palm Harbor, FL

2003 d. Dec. 3, Greenville, OH

2004 d. Jan. 8, Springfield, OH

2005 d. Nov. 21, Covington, OH

2005 d. June 3, Greenville, OH

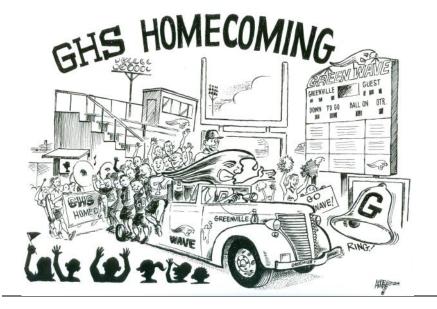
2009 d. June 21, Greenville, OH

2015 d. Dec. 26, Greenville, OH

2015 d. Dec. 4, Greenville, OH

2016 d. Aug. 6, Gettysburg, OH

2016 d. June 5, Greenville, OH



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WEST CARROLLTON
CEREMONY 6:15 PM
GAME 7:00 PM
PARADE THURSDAY
AT 6:30 PM