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New Band of Pride Uniforms

The Greenville High School **Band of Pride** is sporting new band uniforms for Fall, 2019. The Band is under the leadership of third-year Band Director **Sarah Lewis**, Northmont HS Class of 2010 and Ohio University 2014. This year's band (2019-2020) has 62 playing members and 10 Wavette or color guard members. This is an increase in number of band participants from the low 40s during the past few years to significant additions this year. The Band of Pride from 15 to 20 years ago had over 120 members but the number of playing members in other nearby high school bands have reduced drastically, too. This is not just our school specific.

The band members did several fund raisers throughout the community this past year to make their dream come true. They solicited support from businesses and band members' families and challenged anyone to adopt a uniform at \$300 per uniform. Other projects included the sponsorship of a 5K run and printing and selling T-shirts. Many other local citizens stepped up to make this become a reality.

The Seniors chosen to show these new uniforms in this picture are underlined here and have GHS family connections. The gray/black outfits are the two Drum Majors, or Field Commanders, with **Sarah Horger** on the left end and **Macee Dunfee** on the right end. Macee's parents are **Susan Mikesell Jones**, GHS 1987, and **Douglas Jones**, GHS 1987, and her grandmother is **Linda Roth Schatz**, GHS 1957.

The green/black uniforms are the instrumentalists, from left to right: **Kiana Satterwhite**, whose mother is **Jenny Warner**, GHS 1997, and step-grandfather is **Larry Brown**, GHS 1973; **Taylor Schmidt**, whose father is **Doug Schmidt**, GHS 1989, and grandparents are **Esther Paulus Schmidt**, GHS 1959, and the late "**Bimmy**" **Schmidt**, GHS 1953; **Tristan McDaniel**, whose parents are **Jennifer Hittle Peck**, GHS 1989, and **Troy McDaniel**, GHS 1990; **Courtney Bucklew**, whose parents are **Karen Grote Bucklew**, GHS 1998, and **Adam Bucklew**, GHS Class of 1994; and **Dennis Forte**, whose grandparents are **Dennis Forte**, GHS 1964, and **Carol Young Forte**, GHS 1967.

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These uniforms replaced ones that had been used for only ten years (2009 through 2018), but the ones before that were used for 25 years (1984 through 2008). The current 2019 Marching Band looks good and sounds good on the field and the addition of these new uniforms is a positive step for the band students and all involved with the instrumental music department.

In addition to the new uniforms, there has been a constant upgrading of the older instruments which also needed replacement. There will be a story about the GHS Band uniforms through the years coming soon in the Newsletter.



2020 Seniors From left: Sarah Horger, Kiana Satterwhite, Taylor Schmidt, Tristan McDaniel, Courtney Bucklew, Dennis Forte, and Macee Dunfee.

The First Annual Night of Champions

This first **Night of Champions** was held on Friday, December 13, 2019, between the boys' JV and Varsity basketball games and honored teams from 25 years ago as well as 40, 60 and 65 years ago with years ending in "4" or "9".

"The Athletic Hall of Fame does a great job of honoring individuals but we know that teams win championships, so we thought it was time to start honoring teams that have won championships in the past," said **Alex Warner**, GHS 1967, who spearheaded this event.

This will now recognize teams that have won state championships, regional championships, district championships, or conference championships. Next year we will recognize teams who graduation years end in "0" or "5", and the following year, those classes ending in "1" or "6".

"It's a chance to bring those people back and recognize them but also for our kids to see the championship caliber performances that happened in Greenville's history, to kind of get them excited about the opportunity to be one of those champions as well," stated Athletic Director **Aaron Shaffer**, GHS 1995. "I think it's going to be a great annual tradition."

This first-time event did not have a lot of advance notice, but as more participants find out about this, the future Nights of Champions will become a regular part of athletic honors at GHS. So if you were a part of a GHS championship team from the graduation years ending in "0" or "5", you might contact your teammates about when this coming year's event will be held, and that this recognition will be taking place in the High School gym.

>For future dates, please contact A.D. Aaron Shaffer, or Alex Warner warnerakm@hotmail.com

This year's honored champion teams were:

Representing the 65th year
Anniversary of the 1954 MVL
Undefeated Football Champions: >>>>
Gary Lloyd
Dick Hole



Representing the 60th year
Anniversary of the 1959
State Runner-Up Golf Team: >>>>
Dick Wright
Gary Zechar



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Representing the 40th year
Anniversary of the 1979
SWBL Baseball champions: >>>

John Blinn
Bill Plessinger



Representing the 40th year
Anniversary of the 1979
SWBL Boys Track champions: >>>

Coach Steve Gruber
Scott Warren
Mike Albright



Representing the 25th year
Anniversary of the 1994
GMVC Girls Basketball champions: >>>

Coach Thom Kukasky
Tina Kerg Cameron
Carol Hoop *representing*
daughter Kim Hoop Fugett
Amy Long Burns
Nikki Wright
Rose Miller



Representing the 25th year
Anniversary of the 1994
GMVC Girls Cross Country champions: >>>

Coach Richard Cline
Alison Warner
Jodi Unger Petitjean
Joy Moore Anderson





Representing the 25th year Anniversary of the 1994 GMVC Wrestling Champions:
Jim DeWeese, Ben Stacy, Matt Kirkpatrick, David Hart, Jason Sroufe, Aaron Cutarelli, B.J. Paulus, and Coaches John Guttadore and Kyle Kagey.



Representing the 25th Anniversary of the 1994 GMVC Girls Softball Champions:
Front: Coach Beth Arnold, Michelle Monnin Voress, Rose Miller, Nikki Wright, Rena Bryson Fletcher, and Ali Purnhagen Honeyman.
Standing: Shellie Vore Francis, Amy Leugers Tyree, Kerry Grise, Amy Long Burns, Holli Unger George, Carrie Schmidt Hackney, and Tricia Schmidt Peck.

Each year the organizers would like to recognize eight or nine championship teams.

A Night of Champions



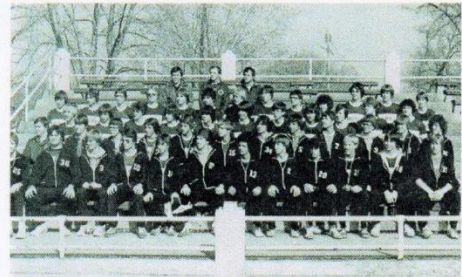
1954 Football MVL Undefeated Champions



1959 Boys Golf MVL Champions & State Runners Up



1979 Boys Baseball SWBL Champions



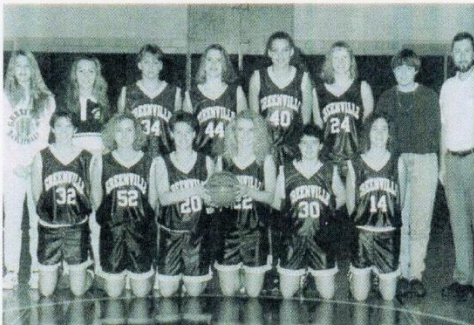
1979 Boys Track SWBL Champions



1979 Girls' Softball SWBL Champions



1994 Cross Country GMVC & District Champions



1994 Girl's Basketball GMVC & Sectional Champions



1994 Girl's Softball GMVS & District Champions



1994 Wrestling GMVC & Sectional Champions

Norma Sheets Ryan, Class of 1954

by Nancy Brown Warner, GHS 1954

Our 1954 classmate, **Norma Sheets Ryan**, a resident of the Darke County Home, passed away June 29, 2016, at the age of 80 years 4 months. Norma was laid to rest at the Darke County Cemetery at the corner of Route 49 and Bypass 127 just southeast of Greenville. A marker/monument had never been installed on Norma's grave. This situation was discussed with 1954 class members at our class reunion held August 19, 2017, at **Linda and Larry Jones'** house. It was decided to "pass the hat" and purchase a monument for Norma's grave. Thanks to the generosity of our classmates, this has been successfully accomplished and her 24" x 12" monument is installed now. The marker states her name, dates of birth and death, and "GHS Class of 1954". We know Norma would be so pleased and we pray she is resting in peace.

A note from Norma's dear close friend and our classmate, **Barbara Ridenour Landess-Gentry** follows:

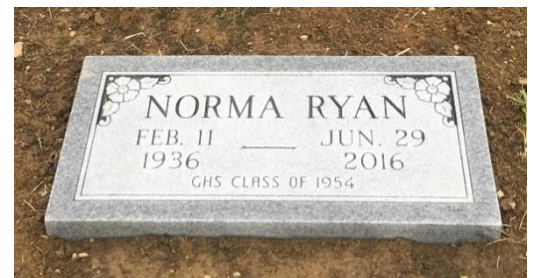
"I joined the class of 1954 as a senior and Norma made me feel welcome and we became friends. After high school, my first date with **Jack Landess** was also with Norma and her "to be" husband **John Ryan**. She was in our wedding. She married John and they had three children. After a few years they moved south and later to Florida – we did keep in touch during that time. Life isn't always easy and her family life changed when they moved back to Indiana and Ohio. Divorce, loss of two sons, loss of her mother and sister, daughter Kim wasn't near and had her own problems, and health issues came Norma's way. She did the best she could without family support."

Thank you to everyone who donated to Norma's monument. She will not be forgotten!

Editor's note: The 1954 Class is a very tight-knit group and has annual class reunions. This article was written by classmate Nancy Brown Warner and shows the true concern the members of this class have for their fellow classmates.



NORMA SHEETS



Norma at 2014 Class Reunion (left);
Her High School Yearbook picture (above left)
Tombstone purchased by the Class for Norma (above right)

TRAINOR FAMILY

All Trainor family gravesites are located just south of the Union City Road in Section 24 of the Greenville Union Cemetery and are situated in a semi-circle around a tall granite, ornately crafted, obelisk monument, and representing their elevated stature in the community:

Martin B. Trainor, husband/father, (1860-1927), died at age 67

Katherine M. "Kitty" Lecklider Trainor, wife/mother, (1861-1929), age 68

Morgan X.L. Trainor, M.D., first child, (1885-1951), age 66

Clara Fritsch Trainor, wife of Morgan, (1891-1965), age 74

John R. Trainor, second child, (1890-1890), age under one

Mabel Trainor Johnson, third child, (1894-1961), age 67, GHS graduate 1912

William James "Jay" Johnson, husband of Mabel, (1891-1947), age 56

Agnes Trainor Keehan, fourth child, (1897-1983), age 85, GHS graduate 1916

John Keehan, husband of Agnes, (1897-1977), age 80

Senior Class photos from 1912 (Mabel)-*first below*, and 1916 (Agnes)-*second below*:



MABEL TRAINOR

Vice President Senior Class, '12.
Glee Club, '07-'08; '08-'09; '10-'11.
Orchestra, '11-'12.
Class Orator.



AGNES TRAINOR, G. H. S. '12-'16

H. S. Chorus, '12-'15
G. H. S. Orchestra, '13-'14
Glee Club, '14-'16
Rhetoricals: The Needs of Greenville

This completes the Trainor family story that was in the previous two Newsletters.

Page 9 TRAINOR TOMBSTONES IN THE GREENVILLE UNION CEMETERY



Greenville City Schools
Harmon Field Fieldhouse Project – Phase II
Additional Information for Concept Plans

The new 10,000 square foot building will be built of durable masonry block and brick construction with a standing seam metal roof. It is intended to be a functional and resilient structure designed to serve current and future needs.

The concession stand will have multiple serving windows, food preparation area, and storage space. It will be set up so that it can serve either Harmon Field Stadium or The Jennings Track & Field. Also, there will be 12' x 12' Booster sales and storage room available for Booster use off of the concession area.

The large handicapped accessible men's and women's public restrooms will be constructed so they can be sectioned off for use from either Harmon Field or The Jennings Track & Field. A separate family restroom will also be included.

The main home locker room will have a coaches office with an additional shared coaches office and a private restroom to serve assistant coaches and the training room area. The training room will include a whirlpool tub area, space for a washer/dryer, taping stations, treatment table and a supply lock up area. There will be two larger locker-shower rooms which will be accessible from both the Harmon Field side and The Jennings Track & Field. These will be designed for multi-sport use (approximately 65 lockers for each). Likewise, there will be two smaller locker rooms accessible from both the Harmon Field Stadium and The Jennings Track & Field (approximately 22 lockers for each).

Mechanical rooms and janitorial spaces will be strategically placed throughout the facility easily accessible to maintenance personnel.

Once the community portion of the funds are raised the project will move into Final Design and Construction Phase.

As mentioned in the Spring Newsletter, The Greenville City Schools Board of Education and The Friends of Harmon Field need YOUR help to continue improvements at the Harmon Field and Jennings Center Track and Field Complex. Together we need \$800,000 to compliment the \$2,000,000 the Greenville City Schools Board of Education has committed to a new restroom, concession stand, locker room, and training room facility. We have an ambitious fundraising timeline, working to get the \$800,000 raised by the end of the 2020 fall sports season. Donations can be made to:

**The Friends of Harmon Field C/O: Aaron Shaffer, Athletic Director
100 Green Wave Way Greenville, OH 45331**

Questions can be forwarded to Aaron Shaffer, Greenville City Schools Athletic Director, by calling 937-548-3185 ext. 1078 or by email at ashaffer@gcswave.com. Additional information will be available in the next Alumni Fall Newsletter.



GHS CLASS REUNIONS-2020 as of July 25, 2020

**Attention: The Maid-Rite will not have their picnic area open this summer as of now
But the City Park is an available location to eat your carry-in Maid-Rites.**

- 1948 CANCELLED.** Shirley DiRocco 937-548-1449.
At BRC Brethren Home Brick Room 11:00AM-1:00PM.
- 1950 NONE PLANNED 2-26-2020** per Jeanette Patton, Jim Patton.
- 1954 NONE PLANNED 6-22-2020** per Nancy Jeanette Patton jeanettepat10@gmail.com
937-898-5645, Nancy Warner bilnanwarner@gmail.com ,
- 1955 CANCELLED for 2020.** Will visit later for 2021 possibility, Allen Hauberg
allen.hauberg@outlook.com 937-547-6269, Gary Lloyd
- 1956 CANCELLED for 2020.** Duane Shields 937-548-3072
deshields858@embarqmail.com
- 1960 UNKNOWN.** Dick Sommer 937-536-1205 dicksommer42@gmail.com
- 1962 CANCELLED for 2020.** Next will be in 2022, Georgia Young
georgia4362@hotmail.com , 937-423-4416, Alice Ann Morrison Brown
aliceab@embarqmail.com
- 1963 CANCELLED for 2020.** Planning for 2021. Dick Martin remartin@att.net
- 1965 Aug. 27, 2021 Fri.** Gloria Brubaker gbrubaker3839@gmail.com combined with 1966,
Duane Edwards dedwards4@woh.rr.com . 937-409-8148. **Sat. Aug. 28** picnic at
Wayne Lakes. Diana Sleppy dobber23@embarqmail.com -1966 class
- 1966 Aug. 27, 2021 Fri.** Diana Sleppy dobber23@embarqmail.com combined with 1965
- 1969 NO PLANS KNOWN.** Tom Trittschuh trittschuh.t@richlandcourts.oh.us
Debby Soddors Debbysoddors@gmail.com
- 1970 CANCELLED for 2020.** Planning on 70th birthday party in 2022. Becky Pequignot
Empie robertempie@aol.com 937-417-9222, Jan Garner jangarner@woh.rr.com
937-623-1072
- 1975 Aug. 22 Sat.** Greg Wilson homeworkllc@yahoo.com 614-309-4808
Dana Holzapfel djholzapfel@gmail.com 937-423-1762. At Elks Lodge 2:00-5:00pm.
Class of '75 facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/301607648807>
- 1980 CANCELLED for 2020—planning on 2021.** Len Nealeigh
len@kolorkotepastering.com 937-417-2137, Kevin Kester,
David Hughes lekker12@hotmail.com
- 1985 Aug. 21, 2021 Sat.** at J&J Enterprises Rt. 502 West, 6:00-11:00 PM, Cheryl Sleppy
Jennings 937-569-8740, Photo at 8:00
ghs.1985reunite@gmail.com<https://www.facebook.com/groups/291576534010/>
- 1990 Aug. 22 Sat.** Bonfire at Jason and Nicole Lowder's house, 4057 Beanblossom Rd.
Heather Hunt Brown florcafehonduras@yahoo.com .
- 1995 NONE PLANNED—not again until 2025,** Rich Hadden II, rich.hadden@wright.edu
- 2000 (?)Sat. Aug. 22** at Sloopy's, 7:00-? Kristin Jones krstn_home@yahoo.com
- 2005 NONE PLANNED, 6-26-2010,** Jessica Hershey Bosserman hershely44@gmail.com ,
Allie Amick Depoy allieamick@gmail.com , Rob Person rjfperson@gmail.com ,
Katie Raffel katie.e.raffel@gmail.com ,Betsy Brown Reiber betsyrbrown@gmail.com,
937-423-4394, Christopher Jetter christopher.jetter@gmail.com
Nikki Greendyke Gilmore , ngreendyke@gmail.com
- 2010 NONE PLANNED 6-24-2020,** Danielle Bankson dlbankson@gmail.com ,
Katie Erisman Bonfiglio katie_bonfiglio@yahoo.com , Kaylee
Hartrum khartrum@gcswave.com
- 2015 UNKNOWN 2-26-2020,** Evan Kiser (Pres) evan.l.kiser@gmail.com