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P.O. Box 322 Jenison, MI 49429-0322

ALUMNI NEWS

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on hand as of 9/9/19: \$3,145.41

Les Lofquist ('76) has served as IFCA Executive Director for the past 20 years. He is moving on to be the Director of Church Relations at the Shepherd's Theological Seminary in Cary, North Carolina and to serve as professor.

Elwood Chipchase ('59) was awarded the Faithful Servant Award at the IFCA Convention, June 24 -28, 2019.

Kristen Hardley Johnson ('89/'90). Kristen graduated May 2019, with honors, with a double Major from Johnson University in Knoxville, TN. She earned a BS in Human Services; concentration in Family and Community and also Bible and Theology.

Larry Schwarck ('66). Larry and Hilda write that they are now serving as pastor at the Dayton Center Church, a church he pastored 35 years ago. He has served Interim Pastor Ministries for almost 13 years in MN, MT, SD, IA, PA, WI, WV, and MI.

Barbara Jane Johns ('56) is a retired missionary in Australia, having lived there for 55 years. Even having gone through breast cancer, she is continuing with the writing of Bible studies. She also conducts Bible Studies and has a ministry of counseling and prayer.

George Thorpe ('77) has served with Christian Service Centers, Inc. since graduation. His first wife, Rose, passed away in Feb. 2013. His new wife, Leah, and he have expanded their ministry to the Philippine military.

Absent from the body, present with the Lord

John Van Wingerden ('49) April 29, 2019; Melody Beach DePeugh ('63) 10/10/18; Robert V. DePeugh ('68) Nov 2005; James L. Hough ('79) 11/26/06; Daniel Funderburg ('71) Nov. 22, 2018; Thomas Mitchell ('86) 12/19/18; Edward Kersten ('57) 1/30/19; Patricia Savage Geiger ('69) 7/20/19; Bev Fankhauser ('61) 8/9/19; Teresa Holmgren ('82) 8/27/19

A FEW DETAILS RE: MAILINGS. . .

When sending us a new address, please indicate if it is a "moving address or a snowbird address." If you will be "temporarily away" during the winter (or for any lengthy period), please let us know where your printed newsletter should go.

*****IF YOU HAVE SUBMITTED AN EMAIL ADDRESS TO HAVE THE NEWSLETTER SENT VIA EMAIL, PLEASE BE SURE TO UPDATE US WHENEVER YOU CHANGE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS! WE HAVE HAD MORE THAN 87 EMAILS AND 59 SNAIL MAILS RETURNED FROM OUR JUNE MAILING, SO PLEASE BE SURE YOU ARE CURRENT.*****

Just a note to our alumni on foreign soil: if you have an email address which can be used, we would appreciate getting that information. The postage is getting so high it would be a great cost savings if you could furnish us with your email address. Send to georgannvr@hotmail.com.

******REUNION 2020******

GRSBM GATHERING 2020

SAVE THE DATE * SATURDAY, SEPT 19, 2020**

*******A ONE DAY EVENT!*******

Fellowship, Banquet and Singing!

Things are changing! If you have enjoyed the reunions, please get involved with the planning. Several on the current committee feel like they have "run their course" and need replacements.

If replacements are not forth-coming, this MAY be the last reunion planned by this committee.

Perhaps the future reunions will be individually initiated and/or regionally executed.

We would love your thoughts on the subject.

******PLACE:******

******BYRON CENTER BIBLE CHURCH******

8855 Byron Center Ave SW, Byron Center, MI 49315

PROGRAM: (All events are subject to change.)

Individual Registration: Required by 9/5/20.

Register upon your arrival.

2pm: -- Gloria Miles Bagley speaking: El Shaddai Ministry; Men's singing group; Fellowship

3pm: -- Chuck Anderson speaking; Men's singing group; Fellowship

4pm: -- Kirby Huseby speaking; Singspiration -- (bring your voice and join in singing GRS songs); Men's singing group; Fellowship

5pm: Banquet- Bob Parks; Men's singing group; Fellowship (A Love Offering will be taken for the Alumni Association.)

****BANQUET COST: \$20.00 PER PERSON DUE SEPT. 5TH**

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Enclosed please find my payment for the 2020 GRSBM REUNION BANQUET, SATURDAY, SEPT 19, 2020!

Registration due by SEPTEMBER 5, 2020

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ PLEASE SEND NEWSLETTER TO EMAIL ☐

DUES: _____ (Suggested Dues \$10 per person annually) Gift: _____

Saturday, September 19, 2020 BANQUET _____ COST: \$20.00 PER PERSON

SCHOLARSHIP: _____ Return registration with payment in full to:

GRSBM Alumni Project, PO Box 322, Jenison, MI 49429-0322

We have a new caterer this year and they require reservations to be in 9/5/20! Don't miss it!