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GHS Alumni Association Established

Our Alumni Association began with a meeting in November 2009, at Goodlettsville City Hall. Individuals interested in establishing an alumni association signed up to help and we began meeting monthly. The GHS Alumni Association Board developed the purpose, goals, and strategies for the Association to be successful. The first order of business was to elect officers: Rita Jackson Bradley,

Hank Abbott, and Jenny Garrett Nichols Chairpersons; Judy Peay Adkins, treasurer and Regina Hull Workman as secretary. By-laws were prepared and registering as a non profit organization was completed. We are grateful for Hank Abbott who has helped to accomplish all this. Everyone felt the best way to contact alumni was by hosting another all-class reunion like the ones held in 1986

and 1996. Thus began the work of selecting a class representative for each year and locating as many classmates as possible. This is an ongoing task and we urge school alumni to reach out to their schoolmates to ensure that all Trojans are aware of the Association.

GHS Alumni Association Purpose

The Goodlettsville High School Alumni Association has been established to preserve and promote the name, spirit, and history of Goodlettsville High School through community activities, support of neighborhood

schools, and social contacts with all alumni, teachers, administrative personnel, and friends of Goodlettsville High School; and to promote, advance, and encourage Goodlettsville High School alumni

participation in Association activities, community causes, and to award scholarships. The Association will endeavor to develop and maintain a Web Site/Register of Goodlettsville High School students, teachers and administration.



**SAVE THE DATE
November 3, 2012
NEXT ALL
SCHOOL GHS
REUNION"**

REUNION NEWS

The first all school reunion organized by the GHS Alumni Association was held on November 6, 2010 at the school. It was great! Over 1,200 folks came and 782 joined the GHS Alumni Association. Everyone brought food and it was like the loaves and the fishes! We never ran out! A DJ played while classmates caught up on what has happened in their lives since GHS. Many former faculty

members were in attendance. Dr. Sarah Moore, current principal of Goodlettsville Middle School, shared fanciful stories about alumni. The highlight of the evening was singing the Alma Mater. Be sure and click on the website to view the video from the reunion of all of us singing the Alma Mater. It was an occasion to be remembered! If you didn't get to attend you should

mark your calendar now for the next all-school reunion on **November 3rd, 2012!** So SAVE THE DATE and tell all your GHS friends! Hopefully we can have these all-school reunions every two years. Wouldn't that be great!! We don't need to wait to see our old and valued friends.

Scholarships Available For GHS Alumni

GHSAA is pleased to announce that our scholarship awards program will begin in the 2011-2012 school year. Any senior high school student who is a descendant of a member of the GHSAA will be eligible, and the awards will be given based on academic excellence, school extra-curricular activities, community, volunteer activities, and recommendations. All scholarships will

be forwarded to the designated college or university to be applied to the recipient's account. The awards will be presented at student awards programs during May. The scholarship committee plans to have the application form available on the website and in local high schools, by October 15th, with completed applications due on February 1, 2012. The students will

return them to Goodlettsville Alumni Association, Post Office Box 1707, Goodlettsville, TN 37070. If you would like to contribute to the scholarship fund, please send a check indicating your contribution amount with your annual dues. Continue to check the website for more updates on the scholarship.

**VISIT OUR WEB
SITE**
ghsalumni.com

GHSAA WEB SITE

Our GHS website is up and running! The address is **ghsalumni.com**. There you will find photos and minutes from association meetings. It is in the first stages now and the Board wishes to thank Sissy Frost Thomas for a great job of developing the site. We are in the

process of locating a company or individual to host and update. Please send us notices of your upcoming reunions and photos taken at your class reunions to the website. Additional information will be added to the web site that will include: history,

scholarship information, Board members to contact along with class representatives, former teachers, and alumni information.

Funds used For Goodlettsville Middle School

During the past year your Alumni Association has worked closely with Dr. Sarah Moore, the principal at the Goodlettsville Middle School. Her support has been invaluable in assisting in our activities, planning and allowing the reunion to be held at the school. Monies collected at the reunion were used to offset reunion costs, operating expenses for the Association, and to supply specific needs at Goodlettsville Middle School such as a fax

machine and ongoing landscaping in the front of the school that will continue year round. Additionally, an Alumni class donation was made for the purchase of a refrigerator for the school. Future spending at this time will be for scholarships, paying a database company, our web site, further contributions to the Middle School and of course the 2012 reunion. Another project we are working on is restoring our class

Currently they are at City Hall. Some are getting weathered. Dr. Sarah Moore has indicated that she would like to have the composites hanging on the walls of our former GHS, now Goodlettsville Middle School. The school may undergo renovations in the near future so it may be a year or two before this can be accomplished. We are very grateful that they will be back at the school.

"Thanks to all the alumni that donated"

HELP US FIND OUR GHS CLASSMATES

Over the past year, the GHSAA has worked diligently to locate the names and addresses of all who attended Goodlettsville High School. We began the process by selecting five year/half decade Chairpersons who are working to find a representative in each class who will work to gather names and current addresses. There are still many classmates we have been unable to locate and everyone's assistance is needed. You can help spread the word to those that you did not see at the last reunion by having them access the website and select the Chairperson of their class.

1939 – Jenny Garrett Nichols and Nancy Clendenin Knight 1939@GHSAlumni.com
1940-1949 – Betty Baker Hull 1940-1949@GHSAlumni.com
1950-1954 – Jo Sanders & David Elder 1950-1954@GHSAlumni.com
1955-1959 – Ina Ingram Hitt & Ed Sloan 1955-1959@GHSAlumni.com
1960-1964 – Judy Peay Adkins & Dan Sheppard 1960-1964@GHSAlumni.com
1965-1969 – Nancy Clendenin Knight & Regina Hull Workman 1965-1969@GHSAlumni.com
1970-1974 – Dianne Melton Harden 1970-1974@GHSAlumni.com
1975-1979 – Kim Herron Freeman & Kathy Evans Rollins 1975-1979@GHSAlumni.com
1980-1986 – Marti Dorris Hartman 1980-1986@GHSAlumni.com

If you would like to volunteer to help work on locating classmates, please contact Jenny Nichols at 851-1554 or Rita Jackson Bradley at 297-7318 or through our website.

Calling all GHS Football Players

Retired Trojan football Coach Doug Newman is in the process of hosting a football reunion of all former football Trojans - players, managers and coaches. The last such reunion, organized by the late Rev. Joe Vickers, was held in September 2001. It was a great success as the many who attended enjoyed getting caught up with their teammates from across the decades and reliving the 'Glory Days' on the gridiron. Our next Trojan Football Reunion will

take place Saturday, October 1, 2011.

"There's nothing like getting football players back together to relive and retell the stories of practice, games won and even games lost," said Coach Newman.

"We had some great games in the Blue and Gold so we need to celebrate our collective football histories.

"Goodlettsville's first Trojan team took the field in 1917 and until 1986 when the high school closed, fine football teams took the

field every Friday night representing our city.

We need all football players to take the time to contact their teammates," Newman said. "This will be a memorable time together and we don't want to miss anyone."

Volunteers are still needed to help complete the planning for this special event.

For more information,

email goodlettsvilletrojanfootball@comcast.net or call Coach Newman at 615-400-4589.

**HAVING A REUNION?
Post the information
to our website:
ghsalumni.com**

**Goodlettsville High
School Alumni
Association**

E-MAIL:
info@GHSAlumni.com

We're on the Web!
See us at:
www.ghsalumni.com

ANNUAL DUES DUE NOVEMBER 1, 2011

The Goodlettsville High School Alumni Association exists to promote the name spirit, and history, to preserve the memories and artifacts of GHS, to award scholarships and support community causes. Membership dues are used to accomplish these goals. Please send the form below with your annual dues of \$10.00 to GHSAA, Post Office Box 1707, Goodlettsville, TN 37070.

Please Print:

GHS ALUMNI NAME: _____

MAIDEN NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

CLASS YEAR: _____

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND DONATION _____

ALMA MATER

On the city's eastern border, Reared against the sky,
Proudly stands our Alma Mater as the years roll by.
"Forward ever" be our watchword, "Conquer and prevail"
Hail to thee, our Alma Mater, GHS, all hail!

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ALUMNI ADDRESS