Memories

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Have YOU RSVP'd Yet For Our 50-Year Celebration?

Yes, these people are pointing at YOU. Well, not all of you, since we now have RSVP's from many more classmates. But it's the rest of you that we are worried about.

We worry that by the time you officially (via our Class website) RSVP for our 50-Year Celebration in October, we may be totally "sold out", with no additional room left for you. Do you really want to miss your (perhaps) last, best chance to get back together with your Grover Cleveland High School Class of 1965 friends, buddies, classmates, teammates, boyfriends, girlfriends and teachers?

This is a four-day event (with the grand party on Saturday, October 17th), that you simply do not want to miss. But if you haven't RSVP'd yet, you may miss out. Space is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

Here Are A FEW Things You'll Be Missing If You Don't Attend

An absolute blow-out celebration on Saturday night, October 17th. Far-removed from a typical 50-year high school event, we are creating an evening of bold memories and new-found, exciting discoveries about your fellow classmates. And a party that you won't soon forget.

Three additional days (Thursday, Friday and Sunday) of events and get-togethers that will provide you the opportunities to re-connect with people you haven't seen since 1965. People you have missed,



friends you have lost contact with, classmates with whom you shared secrets and adventures...and more. We'll have walks, hikes, tours, beach trips, wine tastings and lots more that we are still planning. More announcements to come.

Your spouse will NOT be bored. If he or she is not looking forward to you reminiscing about "the good ole days back at Cleveland", we are planning some fun activities for them, also.

An opportunity to not only share treasured memories with friends, but also to make new memories with old and new friends.

RSVP REMINDER: There is no cost or obligation to simply let us know your intent by providing an RSVP (though we will need your check as soon as possible). It is a tremendous help to us to plan for the food, entertainment, reserved hotel space and much more. Plus...at some point we are going to run out of space in our large ballroom and will have to refuse new RSVPs. Please let us know your wishes now by going to our website to RSVP.



Which of Your GCHS65 Friends Have RSVP'd So Far?

The below list is a week old but still continuously growing. It provides you with a look at some of the people who have already told us that they will be attending. Note: Remember that we are listing people by their 1965 last names and that these listings do not indicate whether they will be bringing a spouse or guest



Ackerman, John Adams, Dean Adams, Vicki

Allen, Heidi Almeida, Frank Andersen, Paul Aronson, Lane Bechtold, Kristie Bergman, Roseann Biehler, Lynn Boman, Linda Bowen, Kathy **Branch, Sherrine** Brier, Jim Brown, Kathleen Brown, Scott **Buckles, Roger** Burke, Rosemary Bush, Stan **Buttitta**, Kathy Caldwell, Barbara Caruso, Leslie

Chiles, Tom

Hazard, Jim Helfman, Steven Hicks, John Hoffman, Christine Hoffman, Ron Huse, Marci Immken, Loren Irwin, Donna Johnson, Susie Kampen, Judith Karger, Lloyd Karlin, Cheryl Kennedy, Peter Kluewer, Stephen Knox, Gary Kraft, Louis Krieger, Dennis Laetzsch, Baron Lallis, Valerie Lamb, Kirk Lestrange, Joan Lippert, Lynn Lowe, Beverly MacKellar, Jim

Rampias, Jack Randall, Ruth Reinhardt, Dixie Riggs, Larry Roth, Tim Rounds, David Rouse, Milton Sax, Cindy Schmalhofer, Bernie Schultz, Marsha Senoff, Pete Siegroth, Linda Small, Ken St. Denis, Desmond St. Pierre, Russell Stone, Melissa Strode, Carol Sutton, William **Trout, Terry** Tucker, Jim Uren, Cathi Van Laar, Christine

Ponticelli, Beverly

Copeland, John Davis, Jeff Deinert, Allen Denman, Jim Donaldson, Diane

Dorcy, Gloria
Douglas, Pam
Eyster, Dick
Ferro, Diane
Flood, Dorothy
Fox, Patricia
Gamble, Florence
Gantz, Jackie
Gates, Lorraine
Goodwin, Gail
Grant, William
Hardy, Bob

Males, Charlie McAuliffe, Janice Mitchell, Susan Miulli, Diane Moody, Marilyn Monda,Carolyn

Myers, Elizabeth Nelson, Joan Nelson, Mike Nelson, Joanne Newton, Jennnie Nowotny, Susan Osher, Michael Paglia, Julie Parrish, Linda Paye, Linda Perkins, Judy Persi, Bernadette Venable, Christina Violette, Helen Williams, Jane

More names added continuously.

Deadline Extended for Free Drawing For \$100 Visa Gift Card



To all of you who have already sent in your checks, thank you! This helps solidify our planning budget and make the required deposits on all the activities we're planning. **The deadline has been moved to June 15th.** The winner will be announced in the next newsletter."

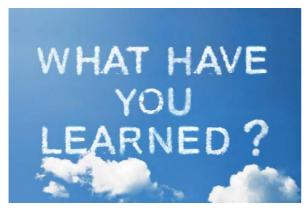
Quick Updated Facts

Dates of Our Events:
Date of the Big Party:
RSVPs to Date:
Cost for the Oct 17th Party:
Event Headquarters:
Hours for the Oct 17th Party:
Hours for the Free Friday Night Reception
Website for Complete Details
Questions?

October 15-18, 2015
Saturday night, October 17
187 people, more arriving continuously \$99/person
Sheraton Agoura Hills Resort Hotel
6:00pm-12:00am
7:00pm-10:00pm
www.gchs65.com
Call Gloria Dorcy (818) 577-5959

Why Attend A 50-Year Celebration - Part 2

(continued from last issue)



The following brief posting, written by a graduate of a Midwest high school just before his 50-Year reunion event, really encapsulates the reason why we do (and should) attend an event commemorating 50 years since our high school graduation. See what you think.

"When you are 18 years old, anything seems possible. Maybe you'll cure cancer or write a best seller or become a star or make

a million. If only you can get into the right college.

When you are 68 years old, you've gained a certain amount of wisdom just by traveling over the bumps in the road. These are the lessons we've learned from all of these years and the ones the younger folks are still hammering out.

When you are 68, you know how your life will turn out and, for so many, that fifty years after graduation brought loss and heartbreak, illness and disabilities. But in spite of that, almost every one of the classmates that I spoke with said "I've been truly blessed" or a sentiment similar to that.

So lastly, why is my affection for all of these people so extravagant? What are some reasons that nobody forgets their high school?

This was the place where I grew up

This is my spiritual home

This was the place where I was safe

This is the ground where the seeds of life were sowed

These were the people who were the anvils upon which I forged who I was and what I would become

These people were the loving teachers of all the really important lessons of living and life.

To forget high school is to amputate a major part of you. It isn't over, of course. The members of my Class...they teach me yet:

- They teach me now of the importance of holding life in reverence.
- The teach me the critical importance of enjoying the moment and living well in it.
- They teach me the strength of humility, the futility of pride and the emptiness of achieving money and power and status at the price of soul.
- ...and most of all, they teach me gratitude.

God Bless them all.

Some Photo Memories From the Late 1960s-1970's, Courtesy of Tina Venable

Our Summer of 1965 Classmate Christina (Tina) Venable recently contributed her Life Story on our Class website (www.gchs65.com). It's terrific and you will enjoy reading it. With her story, Tina also shared with us a number of photos from the mid-to-late 1960's, of her with some of her classmates. We thought we'd share a few of them here. Do you have any photos from our days at Grover Cleveland that you would like to share? We'd love to see them. It's like a virtual time machine.



Melissa Stone and Tina (1965)



Tina and Gayle Poole (1974)



At the 1965 Vice Versa Dance with date Brian Wood



Gayle Poole, Tina and Susy Strobl (1985)