



GJHS ALUMNI NEWS

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All Class Reunion Picnic

On **Sunday, August 21, 2011**, graduates and family of Greater Johnstown High School are invited to attend the 3rd Annual All-Class Reunion Picnic at Lorain Borough Park.

In 2010 the attendance was more than double that of our first attempt in 2009.

Frank Filia and John Pencola entertained those in attendance in the afternoon and the evening featured the talents of Paul Stephenson.

Alumni Merchandise, food and beverages were sold throughout the day. Those in attendance expressed their satisfaction with the event and look forward to future events.

So Alumni, mark your calendars for **Sunday, August 21, 2011** to attend the 3rd Annual All Class Reunion scheduled for **Lorain Boro Park**.

If you are interested in helping to plan the event or provide ideas, please contact us at 533-5601 x 1001 or e-mail us at alumni@gjsd.net.

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Membership Report

Membership in the GJHS Alumni Association currently stands at **349** active members. With an alumni roster numbering in the thousands, why aren't more individuals members of our Association? Perhaps it's the economy, lack of knowledge that we exist, or they have not been asked. This is my invitation to everyone to consider joining the Alumni Association. Membership application found on page 3.

Check us out on Facebook

For those of you who surf the net, the Greater Johnstown High School Alumni Association is on Facebook. Those of you who are Facebook members can become fans of the Alumni Association by typing in our name and click become a fan. We are posting updates on our All Class Reunion on this page and it also allows former graduates to find friends.

When I first posted to Facebook on or around October 2009, we had 6 fans...we current have over 1,500 likes. Please keep it going! With all the individuals who have graduated from our great **Alma Mater** we should have thousands of fans.

Spread the word to your internet friends to become fans today!

Salvation Army

The Alumni manned the Kettle for the Salvation Army at Giant Eagle in Westmont on Friday, December 3, 2010

Thanks to all those on the Board who participated in this community service activity. **Our total Kettle donations were \$253.30.** If you would like to get involved in our projects, contact Georgia Lehman at 533-5601 x1001 or e-mail us at alumni@gjsd.net

Still Available for Sale

- The Alumni Association is selling the following items
- **Cat’s Meow Collectible of Johnstown Central High School** The cost is \$20.00. It can be shipped for an additional \$3.50.
 - **Trojan Tote Bag** The cost is \$6.00. It can be shipped for an additional \$2.50
 - **Alumni Polo Shirt** Men & Women sizes available. The cost is \$20.00. It can be shipped for an additional \$3.50
 - **Trojan Fleece Blanket w/carrier straps** (Black with embroidered Trojan logo) the cost is \$15.00.

Please use the order form below for any of these items.

Alumni Items

Name: _____

Address: _____

- _____ \$20.00 Cat’s Meow JHS High School
 _____ \$20.00 Alumni Polo Shirt _____ size
 _____ \$6.00 Trojan Tote Bag
 _____ \$15.00 Trojan Fleece Blanket w/straps
 _____ (if being mailed, add shipping costs)

Checks payable to:
 Gr. Johnstown High School Alumni Association
 222 Central Avenue,
 Johnstown, PA 15902

Congratulations to our \$500.00 lottery ticket winner: Karla Baumbaugh

Be sure to look for our lottery ticket next year at the same time as we start another Trojan Alumni Tradition. Funds raised from this lottery ticket help with our scholarships.

Greater Johnstown High School Key Club “Empty Bowls-Hunger Awareness Project”

The following is a student’s write up on the project

The Greater Johnstown High School’s Key Club and Art Club are proud to hold the 2nd Annual Empty Bowls Dinner. With the hard work and dedication of our terrific students and faculty, we are determined to show the Johnstown community what Johnstown is capable of and the change that we can make in the world when the students and community work together as one.

Last year, we raised over \$3,500 for the Women’s Help Center, Saint Vincent DePaul, and Salvation Army through the Empty Bowls Dinner, but it wasn’t easy. Starting in the month of December until the day of the event, students donated countless hours before and after school crafting the ceramic bowls by hand. Their selfless commitment of their free time to make the project a success is a tribute to the pride and tradition of our school and the community of Johnstown. While making the hundreds of bowls, the Key Club officers searched numerous venues, made the phone calls to gain community interest, and planned entertainment to create a welcoming atmosphere for our guests. And, we’re doing it all again this year!

The Learn and Serve Grant’s main focus is to raise student awareness about those suffering from hunger and homelessness, not only in the Johnstown area, but also around the world. The Empty Bowls Dinner menu consists simply of bread and soup. People may come to converse for an evening filled with hospitality, entertainment, and a message. This night will not only aid the community in becoming more aware of poverty in the Johnstown area, but also create awareness that this is happening everywhere, all the while celebrating the talents of local artists and musicians. The admission cost is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults. This year, our goal is to open the eyes of over 700 people, compared to the 500 who attended last year.

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We would like to personally invite the Alumni of Greater Johnstown High School to share this event with the community. We would be thrilled if the Alumni would join forces with the current students of Johnstown High for this year's Empty Bowls Dinner at St. Mary's Byzantine Church at 5:00 P.M. to help stomp out local and world hunger. Please help us to achieve our goal of filling 700 empty bowls and increasing awareness of the hunger which affects so many in our small community. Together, Trojans can do anything!

Proceeds will be donated to St. Vincent DePaul, Women's Help Center and the Salvation Army. For more information or tickets, please call 814 533 5601 ext. 2211.

Show your support and purchase a ticket to attend this event.

Our Sponsor



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(814) 535-6000 or 1-877-998-LIFE

If you own or manage a business and would like to advertise in our quarterly newsletter, please contact us at (814) 533-5601 or e-mail us at alumni@gjsd.net. Ad prices are affordable and help the Alumni Association defray some of the cost of printing and mailing.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Membership renewals are now being accepted. With your new or renewed membership you will receive a membership card, an alumni lapel pin, and our newsletter which will be printed quarterly.

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please use the form below and mail it with your payment to: Greater Johnstown High School Alumni Association, 222 Central Avenue, Johnstown PA 15902.

Sign-up Form

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| <input type="checkbox"/> New Member | | 10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member | | 10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yearly Renewal | | 10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership | | 100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership (installment) | 4x25.00 | 100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership (joint) | 6x25.00 | 150.00 |

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Class of _____

Occupation _____

Check Enclosed

The Alumni Association Board meets on the third Monday of every month at the Greater Johnstown High School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. and meetings are open to the entire membership. We invite Alumni to attend if possible and become involved in our various committees. These committees are: Annual Meeting Committee, Athletic Committee, By-Laws Committee, Cochran Auditorium Committee, Finance Committee, Membership Committee, Nominating Committee and Public Relations Committee. If you are interested in serving on one of these committees, please feel free to contact Georgia Lehman, President at alumni@gjsd.net or call 533-5601 x 1001.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

“EMPTY BOWLS-HUNGER AWARENESS PROJECT

MAY 4, 2011 FROM 5:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

ST MARY’S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

411 POWER STREET

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 533-5601 X 2211

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LORAIN BOROUGH PARK

DATE: **AUGUST 21, 2011** (SAVE THE DATE)

Moved - Moving?? – Please Make Sure You Let Us Know

If you have moved or are planning on moving, please send a change of address to us at Greater Johnstown High School Alumni Association, 222 Central Avenue, Johnstown, PA 15902 or e-mail us at alumni@gjisd.net.

If you have an idea or suggestion for future articles, we’d like to hear from you. Call 533-5601 x 1001 or our e-mail address: alumni@gjisd.net

If you’ve read this edition, please pass it along to someone who may not currently be a member!

"An empowered organization is one in which individuals have the knowledge, skill, desire, and opportunity to personally succeed in a way that leads to collective organizational success."

Stephen R. Covey