

Dear Class of 1959,

I've given much thought regarding what I want to say.....and I'm hoping you agree.....to express our Thanks & Appreciation to the Gallitzin Area Alumni Association. They are, and have been, volunteers who have given numerous hours over the years, meeting after meeting, planning, corresponding, cleaning the Oriental Ballroom, setting up, ordering supplies, managing expenses (to the penny), pacifying disgruntled grads over reservations, etc., etc., etc. This wonderful annual celebration happened only because of their dedication and hard work.....so a big, sincere THANK YOU goes out to them!

Hope to see you September 6th for the last Hurrah!!!!!!!!!!!!

Most likely some of you know, but for you who haven't heard, we sadly lost 5 more members of our class since February through May 19th of this year.....Margaret Skibo, Barbara Plunkett Kochara, Carol McCloskey McLucas, Bob Crusciel & Gorm Peters. They usually attended out get together.....Bob caught, cleaned, & cooked the fish in Yvonne's kitchen for our fish dinners! At this point, I'm not sure if we will continue, but our evenings together were priceless! They will be deeply missed. RIP

As to Boro news, the Gallitzin Public Library board applied and received a grant of nearly one million dollars to renovate the Community Building. Try to check it out. Included was our James MENTZER Theatre. Do you know that it is also called the "Alumni Room"? Working along with the tourist council, the alumni has maintained the theatre which houses many of the GHS/GGJHS graduate composites..... another "fun chore" for the alumni active members.

You'd be surprised how many visitors stop to find pictures of their relatives. It's heartwarming meeting & talking with these people. Also, the tourist council keeps striving to keep Gallitzin's history alive. There are many items on display in the "Gallitzin Room" as well as the museum.

In closing, the scholarship committee will continue awarding scholarships as long as funding is available. You will be informed in the newsletter which will also continue and will be posted on the website.

Stay Well. Irene Futey Szynal

PS. Although I wasn't elected secretary of our class, because of my employment with the Boro, my involvement with GATC & membership in the alumni association, I sort of took this on!!!!

Hot Wax

The band again will be Hot Wax. A local group of fellows that have been entertaining for years, Mike Zerbee, Cullen Myers and Chris Myers. Whether you want to dance, sing, or just sit and listen you are guaranteed to enjoy the evening.

If you can't make it for dinner and just want to join us for dancing, there is a \$10.00 charge at the door. Dancing is from 8PM-11PM. Spread the word to family and friends that might want to join us.

