



# Galion Alumni Association News

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## Alumni Raffle Winners

Winners of the prizes  
for the 2007 Alumni  
Weekend 50/50 Raffle  
drawing are:

**\$1000 - Steve Nelson**

**\$500 - Terry Barre**

**\$300 - Shannon Baker**

**\$200—Halsie Miller**

Our congratulations to  
these winners.

Special thanks go to Joe  
Kleinknecht as the leading  
ticket seller.

## Have you seen our website?

Board member Steve  
Melchior has done a great  
job of keeping our website  
current and accurate. Visit  
galionalumni.com and see  
what is current and new  
with the schools and the  
Alumni Association.

If you have something  
you want listed, send it to  
Steve!

Thanks to Steve for his  
hard work on this project.

## We Did It!

### Association raises \$59,000 for GCS entryway

The Galion Alumni Association reached the goal of \$55,000 and then some to construct a new electronic message board at the Galion City Schools Campus on Portland Way North. In less than a year, alumni and friends of the Galion City Schools raised the total of \$59,758.

"About 35% of the donations came from outside of Galion," said Alumni Association Vice President Joe Kleinknecht. "Donations ranged from \$10 to \$3000, and came from graduates from many classes."

All donors will be listed on the new structure. Donors names are being closely checked to insure proper recognition. "If you are a donor, you should have received or will soon receive a letter showing the correct name or names to be used. Please let us know right away if a



*This is the south side of the entryway. Sign to be mounted.*

correction is needed," said Brian Treisch.

The entryway sign will include a 13' electronic message board in an attractive brick and concrete wall. A classic "G" shield will grace the new sign.

The messages will be controlled by the central office. Messages will include upcoming school announcements, key dates for athletic events, and other school related matters. "We did not want this to be an advertising message

board, but rather a school and community message center," said Treisch.

While the sign will not be where originally planned due to a ruling by the city, the message board will be visible from the road and should serve its purpose.

"I really want to thank all those that donated to this project and to those who worked to raise this money," said Treisch. "We surprised several people by how quickly we raised this amount."



## My Comments - some thoughts from the Alumni President

WOW! That's all I can say about 2007 so far for the activities of the Galion Alumni Association.

Let's review what our Association has done this year:

1. Academic Award Breakfasts. We sponsored a series of breakfasts for high school students who met academic standards set by the school. Each quarter we hosted over 100 students.

2. Newsletters. This is our second newsletter and we hope to get to producing one of these

every quarter. We need your input.

3. Website. Steve Melchior has really developed our website with current information and more. Check it out and register at [galionalumni.com](http://galionalumni.com)

4. Entryway project. I am really impressed by the response of alumni from across the country. In less than nine months we raised over \$50,000. The support has been terrific.

All of this has been

accomplished because you took the time to join. Your dollars for membership have been put to work and will continue to work to improve our schools, provide information to fellow alumni and work to improve our hometown. Let us know what you think.

Send me note and let me know what you think! My email is [treischbt@aol.com](mailto:treischbt@aol.com).

Thanks!

Brian Treisch

## Homecoming and Alumni Band Night a success!

Homecoming and the Alumni Band Night performance was a resounding success. While the current Tiger football team was defeated, the return of band, majorettes, flags and cheerleaders gave the Orange and Blue faithful something to cheer about.

The Alumni Band

brought back over 50 former band members, majorettes, and flags. Former Tiger Band director Jack Arlen was back to direct the National Anthem and former "Voice of the Tiger Band" Herb Krichbaum was on hand again to serve as announcer.

Former

cheerleaders came back to lead the crowd cheering on the hometeam. Fourteen former cheerleaders were on hand to help with the festivities.

Plans are underway already for next years event.

For next year?  
We are planning a true homecoming weekend.

Watch for more details about this great weekend and the plans for many activities!

### Activities at new school

Oct. 30 in cafetorium  
Marching Band concert  
Nov. 16 & 17 drama  
"And then there were none"  
Nov. 20- Gym  
First Girls Basketball  
Nov. 26 - Gym  
Girls B-Ball  
Nov. 30 - Gym  
First Boys Basketball  
Dec. 1 - Gym  
Boys B-Ball

## New High School opens to great reviews!

Over 1000 people attended the grand opening of the new Galion High School on Filling one side of the new gymnasium, the crowd was entertained by the combined GHS and Alumni Bands.

Welcoming the

crowd were new principal Fritz Caudle and new superintendent Kathy Jenney.

Former faculty member and Galion graduate Dave Spraw spoke to the crowd about the past of GHS.

Current faculty member Krista McKibben spoke to the future.

Following the ceremony, tours of the new school. Students and faculty served as guides for this new facility.