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Message from the President

The motto of our school district, "A Tradition of Excellence," can be traced back to its founding years. I had always thought this motto was a little presumptuous, but then I attended my daughter's graduation in May. I was struck by all that these young men and women had accomplished. Knowing many of them from a young age, I had seen the hurdles that they had faced, the gifts they had been given, and the hard work and determination they had shown. They reached so many personal and collective goals and grew so much. They obtained a level of excellence with the help of our schools and turned into exceptional young adults. Knowing many EGR alumni, I have witnessed their accomplishments and realize that the class of 2016 is not an anomaly, but has become part of that Tradition of Excellence.

Unfortunately, declining funding from the state has threatened the District's ability to maintain the personnel and programs that have been a part of that tradition. But fortunately, our community and alumni have provided needed financial support through the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation. Last year we came together and raised \$406,000 for programs for our students through the EGRNow! campaign. These funds allow for our elementary schools to have gym, art, music and world language instruction, our state of the art Performing Arts Center will continue to have a manager, and kindergarten and first grade classes will again have paraeducators. Thanks to our EGRForever! endowment donors, we were also able to grant over \$150,000 to students and teachers for enhancements such as the middle school innovation lab, the high school robotics team, and leveled classroom libraries for the elementary schools.

As we begin a new year, we encourage support from our community near and far as it will be critical to maintaining the quality of education in East Grand Rapids. I encourage you to join me in this effort so that graduating classes for years to come can continue our Tradition of Excellence.

Michael Reid, President

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 6, 2016 –
First day of school for all students

November 1, 2016 –
Fall grant deadline

November 2, 2016 –
Community Service and Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner

March 1, 2017 –
Spring grant deadline

March 25, 2017 –
HURRAH! 2017 –

May 1, 2017 –
Nominations due for teacher awards and student scholarships

June 16, 2017 –
Last day of school for all students

Thank you to our office and event volunteers who help support our mission.

East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation is pleased to welcome **Alexis Boyden** and **Joel Iakiri** as new board members, as well as **Suzy Deems, '18** as our new student board member. We would also like to acknowledge and thank **Brooke Detgen, Nancy Hejna, Onder Ors, Mary Reagan Shapton** and **Anna Laffrey, '17** for their years of service.





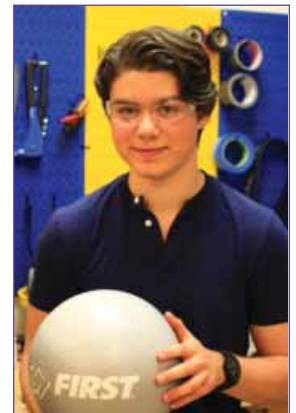
Support Provided to our Schools - Spring 2016

Support Provided	Requestor/School	Amount
EGRFOREVER! - ENHANCEMENT GRANTS		
Cymbals for EGR Drumline	Elan Winterberger, Drew Baloga (student)/High School	\$2,240
Ellison Die Cuts Ellison press for letters and shapes	Sue McLain/Wealthy	\$2,389
Support Materials for Visual Arts and Film Studies Art research materials, digital camera and film-making technology components	Jeanne Glowicki, Jenny Fee/ High School	\$6,106
Innovation Lab – Phase II – Maker Materials Lab will provide hands-on work with 3D printers, science experiments and creative showcases using the latest gadgets and software	Kevin Vance/Middle School	\$20,936
Middle School Drama Program Funding to begin an ongoing drama program at the Middle School with fall and spring Shakespeare performances	Michelle Kastanek, Bill Atwood (community member)/Middle School	\$6,518
Classroom Leveled Libraries Classroom take-home libraries for young readers for leveled home practice	V. Boersma, M. Sayre, J. Westgate K. Borak, L. Eldersveld/Breton	\$7,560
ManageBac Subscription Subscription management software geared to streamline the IB curriculum and assessment process	Jeanne Glowicki, Jenny Fee, Heather McKinney-Rewa/High School	\$5,000
Author Visit and Professional Development – Lester Laminack Week-long staff professional development and student sessions with Lester Laminack, renowned author, staff developer and literacy consultant	Craig Weigel, Caroline Breault-Cannon, Anthony Morey/Lakeside, Breton, Wealthy	\$21,188
Kindergarten Leveled Reading Books Classroom take-home libraries for young readers for leveled home practice	Jen McMahan, Shannon Mitchell, Katie McIntosh/Lakeside	\$3,434
iPad Pro and Apple Pencil Used for displaying piece of music while conducting	Mark Wells/Middle School, High School	\$1,200
Author Visit – Gary Schmidt A day-long experience for all 7th grade language arts students	Harry Coffill, Erika Iannuzzi, Katherine Miller/Middle School	\$1,500
iPad Pro and Apple Pencil Used for recording and publishing lessons and examples	John MacKenzie/Middle School	\$1,200
Pig Dissection Hands-on dissection experience	Mary Billman/High School	\$1,378
East Vision Website Funds for the <i>East Vision</i> to evolve into a web format	Katie Michell/High School	\$1,250
Materials for Art History Inspired Mural A work of art on the face of ping pong paddles as part of an art history project	Holly Lampen and students Isaac Faasse, William Butler, Tony Rossi, Dillon White/Middle School	\$726
iPad Pro and Apple Pencil Used for displaying piece of music while conducting	Bill Bier/Middle School, High School	\$1,200
“be nice.” Canvas Project Student initiative to spread the “be nice.” message and committee work into the Middle School	Emma Keane (student)/High School	\$186
Comfy Cozy Reading Chairs Alternative seating options for students	Jill Smith/Middle School	\$315



Support Provided to our Schools, continued from page 2

Flashforge – Creator Pro 3D Printer Additional 3D printer for classroom use	Patrick Reed/High School	\$1,299
Middle School Odyssey of the Mind World Finals Supplies for Social Studies Classroom Supplies for hands-on learning opportunities	Dee McGraw/Middle School Kristine DiVita/Middle School	\$1,500 \$682
Manipulatives to Enhance “Go Math” Curriculum	Laura Woolford/Middle School	\$903
Funding of Musicians for Spring Pops Concert Instrumental additions to accompany student performers	Kathy Larson/Middle School	\$800
Instructional Classroom Rug Visual representation of country and compass rose	Stacey Goodman/Wealthy	\$332
TOTAL		\$89,842
EGRNOW! - PROGRAM SUPPORT		
Support for 2016-17 school year World language; art, physical education and music; and K-1 para-educators High school performing arts facility management	Breton Downs, Lakeside, Wealthy High School	\$406,000
JIMMY GERKEN FUND SUPPORT		
Kabookie Week Activities	High School	\$4,233
Water Stations and Fitness Equipment for Fitness Center	High School	\$4,642
Barwis Strength and Conditioning Program	High School	\$8,174
TOTAL		\$17,049
AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS		
Teacher Awards		\$3,500
Student Scholarships		\$2,750
Teacher Scholarships		\$5,455
TOTAL		\$11,705
ADDITIONAL SUPPORT		
Yearbook Support	High School	\$530
Day of Caring Support	Middle School	\$500
Drama and Music Program Support	All Buildings	\$2,030
We the People National Competition Support	High School	\$1,967
TOTAL		\$5,027
TOTAL EGRFOREVER! AND EGRNOW! GRANTS, AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND PROGRAM SUPPORT		\$529,623





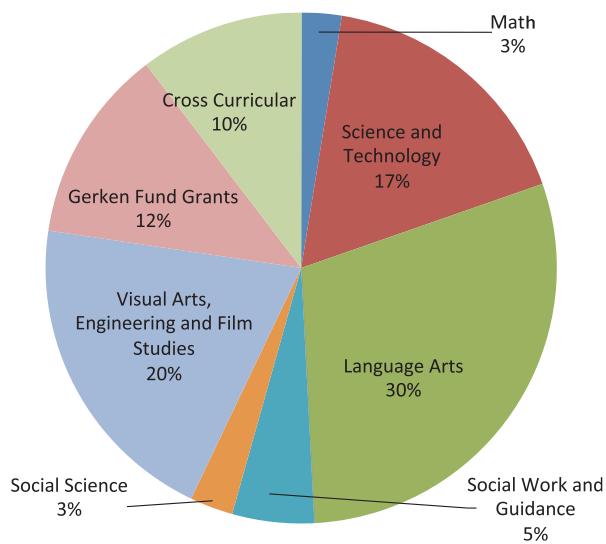
Treasurer's Report

During the 2015-2016 school year, the EGRForever! endowment of the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation provided over \$150,000 in grants, awards and scholarships to further its mission to enhance teaching and learning within the EGR Schools. In addition, the Foundation's EGRNow! campaign raised \$406,000 this fiscal year to preserve programs that were identified for potential elimination for the 2016-2017 school year. Raising this money allows programs such as elementary world language, art, physical education and music; K-1 paraeducators; and high school performing arts center management to be maintained for the next school year.

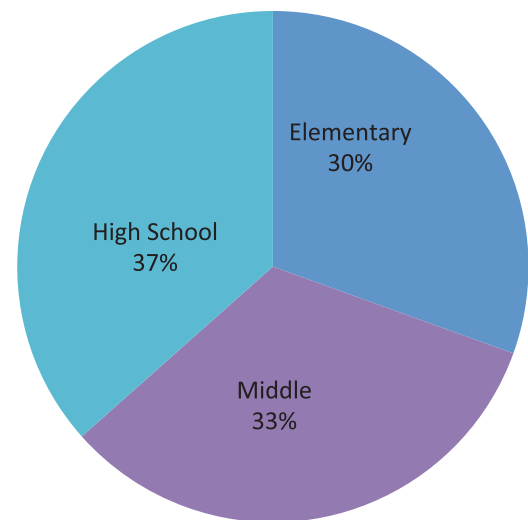
The endowment has a balance of just under \$3.8 million as of the end of our fiscal year, which will allow us to have an impact on our students and programs in the coming years. Thank you for your donations to EGRNow!, EGRForever! and for your attendance and support at Foundation events. Your continued support of the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation will allow our schools to maintain their excellent reputation and provide for the current and future needs of our students.

David Hojnacki, Treasurer

**Grants Funded By Subject
EGRSF Fiscal Year 2015-16**



**Grants Funded By Building Level
EGRSF Fiscal Year 2015-16**





Scholarships Awarded

The East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation funds scholarships for students and teachers each year to support endeavors in continued education. This year the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation awarded three student scholarships and nine teacher scholarships.

The East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship awarded to a high school senior who shows commitment to education and community and has strong aspirations and goals for the future. This year's recipient, **Marie Lachance**, will be attending Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island in the fall of 2016.

The Ridenour Scholarship is a student scholarship that funds \$750 for post-secondary educational costs. This scholarship is awarded to a student who exemplifies the character traits for which Chip B. Ridenour Jr. is most remembered: caring, nurturing, and regard for the dignity of an individual. The recipient of this year's Ridenour Scholarship was **Robert McKay**. Robby will be attending Michigan State University in E. Lansing, Michigan in the fall of 2016.

The third student scholarship awarded this spring was the Reid VanGelderens Scholarship. This scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship for post-secondary education given to a high school student who has displayed moral character, integrity, and academic excellence, all while facing personal or family adversity.

Our winner this year, **Tanner Hoppman**, will attend Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee in the fall of 2016.

The last group of scholarships awarded are teacher scholarships that are funded by the William O. Vandenberg Scholarship Fund. These scholarships are given annually to one or more EGR staff to be used for a class, seminar or workshop that will directly enhance the quality of teaching in that person's current academic area. Thanks to the generosity of the Vandenberg family, we were able to fund scholarships totaling almost \$4,500 to nine teachers. This year's recipients were

Danielle Smith, Amy Marlow and Erika Iannuzzi for a nonfiction writing conference, **Christen Sarjeant, Emily Bishop and Stacey Goodman** for a guided math seminar, **Erin**

Harmon for a language workshop, and **Kevin Vance and Peter Miller** for the Googlefest Conference.

Congratulations to all of our student and staff scholarship recipients!



Tanner Hoppman, Marie Lachance, Robby McKay

Elementary Staff and Students Benefit from Author Visit

East Grand Rapids elementary staff and students were extremely fortunate this past May to have the opportunity to grow and learn with an accomplished educator, author, and scholar. Mr. Lester Laminack, a Professor Emeritus at Western Carolina University is a leading educator in the areas of writing, children's literature, and reading. While teaching at Western Carolina, Mr. Laminack received two awards for excellence in teaching - the Botner Superior Carolina Teaching Award and the Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award.

With the support of the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation, the staff and students of Lakeside, Breton Downs, and Wealthy benefited from working directly with Mr. Laminack. Over the span of a week students and staff were exposed to excellent resources and strategies with regard to reading and writing. This wonderful experience allowed our students the ability to make meaningful and real-life connections that directly tie to our curriculum. Mr. Laminack's engaging student sessions focused on the writing process where he demonstrated the art and meaning behind an author's craft.

Additionally, Mr. Laminack led our staff through his Writers and Readers Workshop and inspired our staff to look for new opportunities to engage students in both reading and writing.

Each and every day our students are immersed in the writing process. Our students write with purpose and intent. Having Mr. Laminack spend a week analyzing and engaging our staff and students with depth and brevity on the direct correlation between reading and writing was invaluable. We are all very grateful for the opportunity to work with Mr. Laminack and appreciate the support of the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation. This experience will have a direct and lasting impact for staff and students. THANK YOU!

Craig Weigel, Lakeside Elementary Principal





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“STARS”

Gifts to the Foundation were made to honor stars in our school community. Below is the list of gifts made during the Spring of 2016 recognizing a special teacher, staff member or school employee. Thank you to the many contributors and to the many outstanding staff members who make East Grand Rapids Public Schools a great place to learn!

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Amy Marlow

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Benjamin Sorota*

Susan McCaffrey

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*Matt Millman
Lucas Ratchford
Emily Smith
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Kerry McKee

The Saltsman Family

Susan McKeel

The Lippert Family

Kaitlin Merpi

*The Connor Family
Scott Millman*

Katherine Miller

Fritz Duncan & Family

Megan Miller

*5th grade class
The Boyden Family*

Shannon Mitchell

Dagen Maas

Scott Mitton

*3rd grade class
The Bolling Family
Megan Goodrich
Piper Maas
Maddie Claire Millman*

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Elementary PTO*

Whitney Moore

Brandon Smith

Anthony Morey

The Saltsman Family

Tom Morris

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Eva Clay
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Claire Christopherson



Cassandra Rood
The Edleman Family

Brett Scheidel
Lucas, Jim & Steph Diepstra
The Yates Family

Annie Schmieder
The Saltsman Family

Shelly Schram
The Connor Family

Andrea Severns
Greg & Tracey Lewis
Jack Ratchford

Jane Siegel
Liam Day

Patty Sienstra
Mitchell Stuursma

Jill Smith
Charlie Connor
The Edleman Family

Nicole Smith
Jason & the Diepstra Family

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Erin Stirdivant
Megan Goodrich

Peter Stuursma
The Connor Family

Winona Tinholt
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The Saltsman Family

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Robbie Stuursma
Maddie Wilson

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The Saltsman Family
The Williams Family

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Craig Weigel
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Jodi Westgate
1st grade class
Vivienne Duncan & Family

Hannah Wolcott
Megan Goodrich

Michael Woodward
Eva Clay
The Duncan Family

Sarah Youngs
The Edleman Family

Recognize a Star in Your Child's Life

Recognize a star in your child's life by making a tax-deductible donation of \$20 or more to the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation in honor of a special person. We will acknowledge your "star" in a special section of the next *Foundations* newsletter. In addition, we will provide you with a certificate to present to your honoree. What a wonderful way to thank those special stars in our lives!

STAR Awards and Gerken Appreciation Awards

Your Name _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

\$20+ STAR Award *Staff, *Teacher *Appreciation & Recognition-
Recognize a favorite teacher, staff member or school employee

\$20+ Jimmy Gerken Award of Appreciation and Thanks-
Recognize a coach who has made an impact in your child's life

Please print the name of the individual to be acknowledged as you wish it to appear.

Please print your name exactly as you wish it to appear.

Amount enclosed _____

Please mail to: East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation
2915 Hall Street SE
East Grand Rapids, MI 49506

*We want to thank all EGR staff
for providing an exceptional educational
experience for our students and making a
difference in their lives.*



**Jimmy Gerken Award
of Appreciation
and Thanks –
Spring 2016**

Bryon Higgins, Scott Stropkai, Robert Tholl
2016 U13 5/6 East Pride Lacrosse Team

Butch Briggs
The Hooper Family



A Better Education, a Better Community



Planned gifts allow you to achieve your philanthropic and financial goals and support education in our community. Remember the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation in your will or estate plan. Call Amy Stuursma for more information 616-235-3535.



Join us for the 2016 Community Service and Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner – November 2, 2016

East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation is pleased to announce its 2016 Community Service and Distinguished Alumni Award recipients. **The recipient of this year's Community Service Award is the Hon. John H. Logie.** John is a former mayor of Grand Rapids and is being honored as a champion of the downtown Grand Rapids revitalization.

The 2016 Distinguished Alumnus Award will be presented to Thomas M. Payette, EGR Class of 1951. Thomas is a leader of architecture and design for healthcare and university facilities. He has completed many projects throughout the United States and internationally including Aga Khan University - Faculty of Arts and Sciences Master Plan, Albert Einstein College of Medicine - Price Center for Genetic and Translational Medicine, and Duke University - Levine Science Research Center.

The 2016 Distinguished Alumnus Posthumous Award will be presented to Dr. David B. Gray, Ph.D., EGR Class of 1962. Dr. Gray was a professor of occupational therapy and neurology and was an important advocate for the Americans with Disabilities Act and those with disabilities.

The Foundation will host its tenth bi-annual Community Service and Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner on **Wednesday, November 2, 2016**, at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel in downtown Grand Rapids, Michigan. We invite you to be part of this special evening. Information about the event and accommodations is available on the Foundation website at www.egrfsf.org or from the Foundation Office at 616-235-3535.



The Hon. John H. Logie, '57



Mr. Thomas M. Payette, '51



Dr. David B. Gray, Ph.D., '62

Community Service Award Recipients

- 1998 Jimmy Gerken
- 2000 The William Edison Family
- 2002 Bill and Sue Fowler
- 2004 David Mehney, '57
- 2006 Judy Frey
- 2008 Butch Briggs
- 2010 Mary Dersch
- 2012 EGRSF founding board members:
Judy Frey, Bob Eleveld, John Sebastian, Linda Patterson, Brent Slay, the late James Maher and the late Marjorie Chamberlain
- 2014 Kim Rossi

Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients

- 1998 John Hockenberry, '74
- 2000 L. William Seidman, '39
- 2002 David Tarantino, Jr., MD, '83
- 2004 Chris VanAllsburg, '67
- 2006 William George, '60
- 2008 Martha Teichner, '65
- 2010 Gillian Sorensen, '59
- 2010 David McLaughlin, '50 (posthumous)
- 2012 David M. Barrett, MD, '60
- 2014 Jeanne Brooke-Gunn, PhD, '65

2016 Gerken Open a Big Success



It was another successful golf outing for the EGR Team Boosters and the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation as they joined together again this year for the Gerken Open. This event supports the **EGR Team Boosters** and the **Jimmy Gerken Fund**, which was established to remember Jimmy and ensure that East Grand Rapids athletics and co-curriculars—the activities Jimmy loved most—remain an integral part of our students' education by providing enhancements that are not possible in the general school district budget. Support for this fund allows our students to continue to experience personal excellence in athletics and co-curricular activities, just as Jimmy would have wanted.

The Gerken Open was held at Thousand Oaks Golf Club on June 15, 2016. The event was a beautiful day of golf followed by a buffet dinner, silent auction, campaign to raise money for the Barwis strength and conditioning program, and music from the MoonRays. Proceeds of over \$23,000 from the event will support the Jimmy Gerken Fund and the EGR Team Boosters current athletic department and team needs.





HURRAH! 2016 – EGR Schools Foundation Annual Fundraiser

On March 12, 2016, the community gathered at the historic Harris Building in downtown Grand Rapids for the ninth annual HURRAH!, the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation community winter party.

HURRAH! has been a very successful fundraiser for the East Grand Rapids Schools Foundation, and this year's event was certainly no exception. The evening was filled with delicious food, martini bars, gaming and camaraderie, with music provided by Channing and Quinn. This year's event featured tastings from local establishments and specialty food shops including: *Amore Trattoria Italiana, Buffalo Wild Wings, El Barrio Mexican Grill, Jose Babushka's, Love's Ice Cream, Olive's, Osta's Lebanese Cuisine, Ramona's Table, Rose's on Reeds Lake, Schuil Coffee, The Green Well, and Two Scotts Barbeque.*

HURRAH! 2016 was a huge success with over 400 people in attendance. Thanks to your support of HURRAH! and the Schools Foundation, EGRSF will fund over \$150,000 in grants, awards and scholarships as well as \$406,000 in program/project support for the 2016-17 school year!

Please plan to join us next year on March 25 for HURRAH! 2017 when we celebrate 10 years of HURRAH!



Thank You to Our 2015-16 Top Event Sponsors



Dr. Randy & Lisa Lovell

Scott & Natalie Bernecker





REUNION RECAP

Class of 1971 Celebrates 45 years

The **Class of 1971** celebrated their 45th reunion July 7-8, 2016. The reunion included an array of events that began Thursday evening. Approximately 20 classmates gathered at one of the fabulous Fifth Third Park skyboxes to renew acquaintances and cheer on the Whitecaps baseball team. On Friday, July 8, about 30 alumni took over Rose's on Reed's Lake for a long lunch where they reminisced about ice skating or swimming at the old Rose's. Over 80 classmates and spouses enjoyed a beautiful evening of fun, friendship, and fine food Friday night at Kent Country Club. It was a fabulous evening! More fun happened early Saturday morning, July 9. Several groups of classmates and spouses ran, walked, or biked around Reed's Lake, ending at the EGR Community Center/Wege Plaza for a light breakfast. The 45th reunion weekend ended with a catered dinner at the home of Diane Flaherty Cisler Saturday night with another great turn-out of roughly 60 classmates and spouses. Class of '71 friends came from Alaska, California, Colorado, Virginia, Florida, Ohio, Indiana, New Mexico and more.

Special thanks to Ray and Kristin Abraham, Peggy Cowan, Ellen Chamberlain, Dave and Cara Cassard, Deb (Rice) & Mark Crane, Lloyd Guyot, Diane Flaherty Cisler, Mary Litscher Molhoek, Susan Massingham Camp, Mitch Kahn, Burt Bach, Amy Miller, Gay Dinan Lyonaise, Susan Tarbell VanderMolen, Alice Porter Stirdivant, Lloyd Guyot, Ron Hainer, Steve Spicer, Bill & Judy Stellin, Jim and Pat Clay, Mike Jacobson & reunion coordinators Judy Sheppard, Elise Meyer & Mindy Anderson. Here is to the next reunion! —Susan Massingham Camp, '71

Class of 1991 Celebrates 25 Years

A special **25th Reunion** was celebrated by the **Class of 1991** alumni July 9, 2016. Many alumni and their guests gathered at Blue Dog Tavern (owned by EGR alum Fred Mackraz, '84) for a very special evening. **Contact Parker Frost at parker@gigmark.com for additional reunion information.**

Class of 1996 Celebrates 20 Years

The **Class of 1996** held their 20th Reunion the weekend of **August 5-6, 2016**. A casual Friday night, outdoor welcome back gathering in East Grand Rapids began the reunion activities. Over eighty '96 alumni and their guests also attended the Saturday reunion event held at the JW Marriott. Special thanks to the reunion planning committee, Meghan Howard, Conor Dugan, and Katie Israels, for all of their efforts in planning a great reunion weekend. **Contact Conor Dugan at conordugan@gmail.com for more information.**



1991 Flashback



Class of 1991 gathers at the Blue Dog Tavern



Class of 1996 celebrates 20 years



UPCOMING REUNIONS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming reunions! Be sure to go to www.egrfsf.org/alumni/upcoming-events for additional reunion information.

Class of 1956 – 60th Reunion

September 30 – October 1, 2016

Contact Susie (Muir) Allen at mjallenjr@aol.com or Dale Berger at dberger898@aol.com for more information or to assist with the planning process. Reunion and reservation information may be found at egrfsf.org/1956-reunion.

Class of 1966 – 50th Reunion

September 9-10, 2016

Contact Gary McInerney at gary@mcinerney-associates.com for more information or to assist with the planning process. Reunion and reservation information may be found at egrfsf.org/1966-reunion.

Class of 1976 – 40th Reunion

September 30 – October 1, 2016

Contact Steve Edison at sedison@shrr.com for more information or to assist with the planning process.

Class of 1981 – 35th Reunion

October 22, 2016

Contact Suzanne Wickman at suzannewickman@gmail.com for more information or to assist with the planning process. Reunion and reservation information may be found at egrfsf.org/1981-reunion.

Class of 1986 – 30th Reunion

October 8, 2016

Contact Tory (Stuart) Duca at toryduca@gmail.com for more information or to assist with the planning process.

Class of 1987 – 30th Reunion

Contact Jenny (Spindle) Fee at jfee@egrps.org to assist with the planning process.

Reunion information is needed for the following class years.

Class of 1946 – 70th Reunion

Class of 1951 – 65th Reunion

Class of 1961 – 55th Reunion

Class of 2001 – 15th Reunion

Class of 2006 – 10th Reunion

Class of 2011 – 5th Reunion

Begin your 2017 or 2018 reunion planning by contacting EGRSF Alumni Relations Coordinator, Maria Allen. Your alumni association is available to support in planning your reunion. Contact Maria at mallen@egrps.org or (616) 235-3535.

IN REMEMBRANCE

1939

Mary Jean (Wood) Brooks

1940

Robert Kimball

1942

Francelia (Whitfield) Davis

1944

Janet (Russell) Bacon

1945

James K. Miller III

1946

John Brahm Malkewitz

1950

Jill (Albert) Cogan

1951

Janet (Richter) Buth

1952

Ann (Davies) Smith

1953

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