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Letter from the President

Dear Gupton Alumni,

What an exciting time to be an Alumni of John A. Gupton College. This past December I attended the Graduation Banquet and was honored to represent the alumni. Graduation was held the next day on Friday, December 5, 2014 with over 56 students being added to the Alumni Association. It was so rewarding to see these graduates walk from student to alumni and also into the future of funeral service. The guest speaker was Robb Smith, the Executive Director of the American Board of Funeral Service Education.

You should have received your pledge cards for the endowment fund. Please, let me encourage you to complete the card and donate. You are the life blood of this great college, and we need to support it.

We have been working on this year's reunion and it's going to be a great evening of fun. This year we are changing locations and the Alumni Reunion will be held Friday, August 7, 2015 at the Hilton Garden Inn Nashville/Vanderbilt on Broadway. This year's entertainment will be held on Saturday night at the hotel with dinner at 6 pm followed by Elvis at 7:30 pm. Please make plans to attend the year's events. Come see some of your old friends and make some new ones. It's only one weekend in August.

On behalf of the college and entire association I want to say THANK YOU to Nashville Wilbert Vault, Aurora, Batesville, and Matthews Casket Companies for their continued support of the Alumni Association.

Best Regards,

Greg Greene

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Class of 2008



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www.guptionalumni.com

Annual Alumni Reunion

The annual Alumni Reunion is planned for the weekend of Friday August 7th and Saturday August 8th. In order to make reservations to stay in town at the Hilton Garden Inn Nashville/Vanderbilt call (615) 369-5900 or (877) 245-8854 **BEFORE** Tuesday, **July 8, 2015** to get the Gupton group rate of \$179.00 (plus tax) per night. The Hilton Garden Inn is located at 1715 Broadway in Nashville, TN



PARKING:

Overnight self parking is \$20 and overnight valet is \$28.

For those of you who are only coming for the events and are **NOT** planning on staying in the hotel, self parking is \$10 and valet is \$12.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday – August 7

Please join us for a cocktail reception in the Veranda Room from 6pm-8pm
Registration begins at 5:00 pm.

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Saturday – August 8

Breakfast will be served in the West End Room between 7:30am-9:30am.

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Saturday – August 8

The Alumni Business Meeting will be held at 10am in the Dr. Harris O. Yates Lecture Hall at the college – all Alumni are encouraged to attend if possible.



Saturday – August 8

Dinner will be held in the Music Square Room at 6pm. The cost per person is \$50.
Entertainment will start at 7:30 pm, and will be none other than, "the King".

To reserve your seat for dinner and Elvis, please send a check and name of guest by July 1, 2015 to Tracy Hamm Allen at 1616 Church Street Nashville, TN. 37203.

ENTERTAINMENT HOSTED BY:



Alumni News

We need your help in locating some of our fellow Alumni. Please reference the following lists and reach out to anyone who you may be in contact with and encourage them to attend this years reunion. Also it is very important for everyone to log onto our website and complete the contact/lead form to include a current e-mail address as well as physical address.

Class of 1965

| Name | Street | City | ST | Zip | Status |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------|----|------------|--------|
| Altman, Roger E | | | | | NCA |
| Bailey, Charles S | | | | | NCA |
| Beecham, Virgil C | | | | | NCA |
| Boyd, Thomas R | | | | | NCA |
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| Dover, James A | | | | | NCA |
| Dubose, James E | | | | | NCA |
| Dunlap, Benjamin L | | | | | NCA |
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| Grosse, Landon R | | | | | NCA |
| Harrell, James C | | | | | NCA |
| Harrison, Elden D | | | | | NCA |
| Hatfield, Richard M | | | | | NCA |
| Hemperley III, Carlos M | | | | | DEC |
| Hill, Ronald O | | | | | NCA |

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| Hinze, Tommy W | | | | | NCA |
| Holmes, Lanning R | | | | | NCA |
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| Jones, Douglas B | 115 Main St | South Boston | VA | 24592-4623 | |
| Justis, Claude P | 1223 Morningside Dr | Greeneville | TN | 37745-4129 | |
| Lane, Ross C | | | | | DEC |
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| McGlohon, James A | 128 S Jackson St | Hawkinsville | GA | 31036-4616 | |
| Morrison, Jr, Joe | 11304 Highway 72 | Cherokee | AL | 35616-4708 | |
| Morrow, Shelby | PO Box 243 | Elba | AL | 36323-0243 | |
| Myers, Jr, Frank | PO Box 132 | Tellico Plains | TN | 37385-0132 | |
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| Norris, Johnnie F | | | | | DEC |
| Peeples, Julian A | 1450 Ninety Seven Springs Rd NE | Dalton | GA | 30721-6857 | |
| Raines, Douglas | 5203 Rustic Way | Old Hickory | TN | 37138-1306 | |
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| Rivers, Leroy | 421 Red Bank Rd | Goose Creek | SC | 29445-4505 | |
| Robinson, Lewis J | | | | | NCA |
| Rounsavall, James F | | | | | DEC |
| Shugart, Doyle | | | | | DEC |
| Skinner, Charles E | | | | | NCA |
| Thurman, Jr, Robert W | 8306 Victory Trl | Brentwood | TN | 37027-7371 | |
| Townson, James D | | | | | NCA |
| Walker, Gary | 1513 Audubon Dr | Tupelo | MS | 38801-7411 | |
| Warhurst, Michael V | | | | | NCA |
| Wilson, Glenn | 209 MaCarthur St | Galax | VA | 24333-4230 | |
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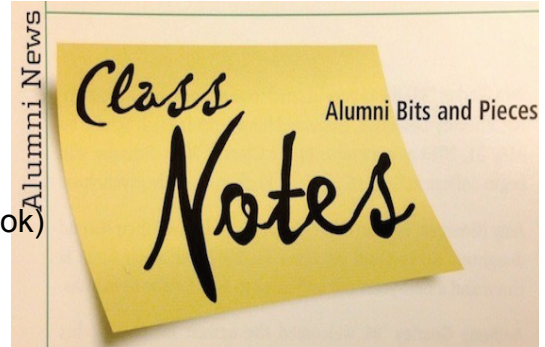
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| Elder, Kenneth G | 1012 Kenny Elder Lane | Byrdstown | TN | 38549 | |
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| Jenkins, Robert B | 310 Less Chapel Road | Sweetwater | TN | 37874 | |
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| Lea, Jody T | 845 W Thomas St | Brownsville | TN | 38012 | |
| Lollar, Robert G | | | | | NCA |
| Manley, Carol Ann K | | | | | NCA |
| Mayo, James W | 2250 N Mt. Juliet Road | Mt. Juliet | TN | 37122 | |
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| Parrish, Debra L | PO Box 3213 | Lake City | FL | 31056 | |
| Scarbrough, Thomas A | 605 Tate Street | Rockwood | TN | 37854 | |

SEND IN YOUR NEWS!



Lindsey Pack, class of 2013, married Devin Gilliam on March 21, 2015 at the Belle Hollow in Clarksville, TN. They live in Clarksville and she is finishing up her apprenticeship at McReynolds-Nave & Larson Funeral Home this spring.

Send all submissions to the newsletter editor (Bobby Cook) at cook@guptoncollege.edu



STUDENT POTLUCK



The Student Representatives organized a potluck recently and it was held on Wednesday, March 18th in the newly renovated student lounge. There was an incredible amount of food brought in by everyone. We had a wonderful turn out from students. One great thing about events like this is that it creates an opportunity for great fellowship between students and staff/faculty in attendance.

SCHOOL NEWS

Time goes by so quickly when you are having fun! The semester ends on April 16th. Summer registration is Monday April 27, orientation for new students Tuesday April 28 and first day of summer semester begins on Wednesday, April 29th. It has been a great semester and we are looking forward to having all of the students, as well as, new enrollees start the 2015 summer semester off strong.





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