



MAY, 1967

GERARD HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION - At the last Gerard Home & School Association meeting, the following officers were elected:

President	Ralph Bruneau	Members of the Board:	
Vice-President	Lionel Hahne	James Hubbs	Mrs. Raymond Jennett
Secretary	Mrs. Dick Capra	Frank Vallenari	William Fallon
Treasurer	Burdette Peterson	Lawrence Maloney	Louis Carufel
		Gerald Spresser	

Congratulations to them. We are looking forward to another successful year. We pledge them our full support and cooperation.

Our sincere thanks and deep gratitude is extended to the officers who served during this past year. They did a wonderful job. They have helped Gerard make effective progress:

President	Frank Campbell	Members of the Board:	
Vice-President	Lionel Hahne	James Hubbs	Mrs. Raymond Jennett
Secretary	Mrs. William Danckaert	James Kirch	Ralph Brunecu
Treasurer	Burdette Peterson	James Larkin	Wilbert Soltau
		Frank Vallenari	

They deserve the appreciation of the entire Gerard family.

The next meeting of the Gerard Home and School Association will take place on Tuesday, May 2, 1967, at 8:00 p.m., in the Multipurpose Hall. We hope all parents will try to attend this final meeting of the school year. Installation of the new officers will take place at this meeting.

Those who attended the Fleur-de-lis Ball at the Arizona Country Club on Friday night know how successful and enjoyable an evening it was. Our thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Don Haskins, the chair-couple for this event, and to all the wonderful people who assisted them in any way in making this annual event so pleasant.

SISTER MARY KEVIN, S.M. - With deep personal regret, we announce that Sister Mary Kevin, who has served as the Assistant Principal at Gerard for the past five years, will be reassigned to another work in her Community. Her assignment to Gerard was initially made for four years. Her term was up last year, but we were able to have a one-year extension granted so that Sister could be with us this year. Nobody really knows or can appreciate all that Sister has done for Gerard. Being a pioneer brings with it many problems. Sister was able to overcome these problems. Her service has been constant, dedicated and untiring; she has been loyal, extremely cooperative and deeply interested in the students. Whatever success Gerard might now enjoy is due in large part to this fine, professional, religious educator. With her goes our greatest gratitude and prayers for success in her future work. All students and their parents are invited

to a reception in honor of Sister Mary Kevin on Thursday, June 1, at 8:00 p.m., in the Multipurpose Hall. This will give her many friends an opportunity to thank her personally for all she has done for Gerard.

DRAFT REGISTRATION - For the convenience of our boys, they may register for the draft in our school office. There is now an official Selective Service registrar at Gerard. Students may not register before they are 18 years of age. They are required to do so within five days after they reach their eighteenth birthday. It will not be necessary for any student to miss any classes to take care of this obligation.

FREE DAYS - Thursday, May 4, is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be no classes that day. Friday, May 5, will be a free day in honor of Sister Mary Kevin, S.M. Memorial Day, May 30, will be a free day.

PLAY - The Drama Department has spent many weeks in preparing their presentation of "The Teahouse of the August Moon". It will be performed in our Multipurpose Hall on Thursday, May 11, at 8:30 p.m., and again on Saturday, May 13, at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$1.00. You will find this a delightful evening of entertainment.

JUBILEES - Two of our faculty members are celebrating Silver Jubilees this year. Father John A Burns, a Holy Ghost Father, is celebrating his twenty-fifth anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in St. Theresa's Church on Thursday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m. A reception for Fr. Burns will be held in St. Theresa's parish hall immediately after the Mass. All members of the Gerard family are cordially invited to join in this celebration.

Sister Mary Benildes, a Sister of the Precious Blood, is celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of her religious profession. Sister will have a private celebration at her Community Mother House during the summer.

To both of these faculty members, we offer best wishes for many more happy years in serving Almighty God.

SENIOR PARTY - The school is cooperating with the Senior Class in sponsoring a senior party at Paradise Inn on Saturday, May 20. This party will begin at 10:30 p.m., and it will last until dawn. No senior is compelled to attend this party. Any senior who wishes to attend the party is welcome to do so and to bring one guest. The party will be well-chaperoned. There will be dancing, dining, swimming, tennis and volley ball. All seniors and their guests must have a permission form which was distributed to the seniors last week. This form must have the time the parents expect their students to arrive at the party and the time they expect them to leave the party. A student may leave the party any time his parents desire him to leave, but this departure time must be recorded on the permission form when it is signed by the parents.

AWARDS NIGHT - On Tuesday, May 23, at 7:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Hall, all students who are recipients of scholastic or athletic awards will be guests at a dinner. Parents of these students are invited to this dinner. Cost of the dinner will be \$1.75 for adults; \$1.00 for children. There will be no charge for students who are being honored.

GRADUATION - May 25th will be the big day for the second graduating class of Gerard High School. At 11 o'clock that morning, they will assist at the Baccalaureate Mass in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 4510 North 24th Street, Phoenix. Parents, relatives and friends of the graduates are invited to the Mass.

The Freshman Class will host the graduates, their families and friends, at a brunch in the Gerard Multipurpose Hall at 12:30 p.m.

Commencement will be held on the school campus at 8:00 p.m.

GRADUATION FEE - All seniors must pay their graduation fee before May 10th. Fee is \$15.00.

FINAL EXAMS - Final examinations will be held for freshmen, sophomores and juniors on May 25, 31, June 1 and 2. All students will be dismissed at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 25, and on June 2. On May 31 and June 1, examinations will be held from 8:30 until 11:45 a.m.

The school year ends on June 2.

TUITION - Some families have not kept their tuition payments current. No student will be permitted to take final examinations or to graduate without the school bills' being paid. The deadline for seniors to pay these bills will be Wednesday, May 17; for freshmen, sophomores and juniors, May 24. If there are any families who find it impossible to meet these obligations at this time, please contact me personally before May 17. You will save yourself and your students embarrassment and disappointment by taking care of these obligations now. No final exams will be repeated to accommodate a student who was unable to take the test because of unpaid school bills.

UNIFORMS - A final reminder that uniforms must be ordered before May 20, 1967 to be guaranteed for delivery before school opens next September. Uniforms should be ordered from the J. C. Penney Company in Tower Plaza.