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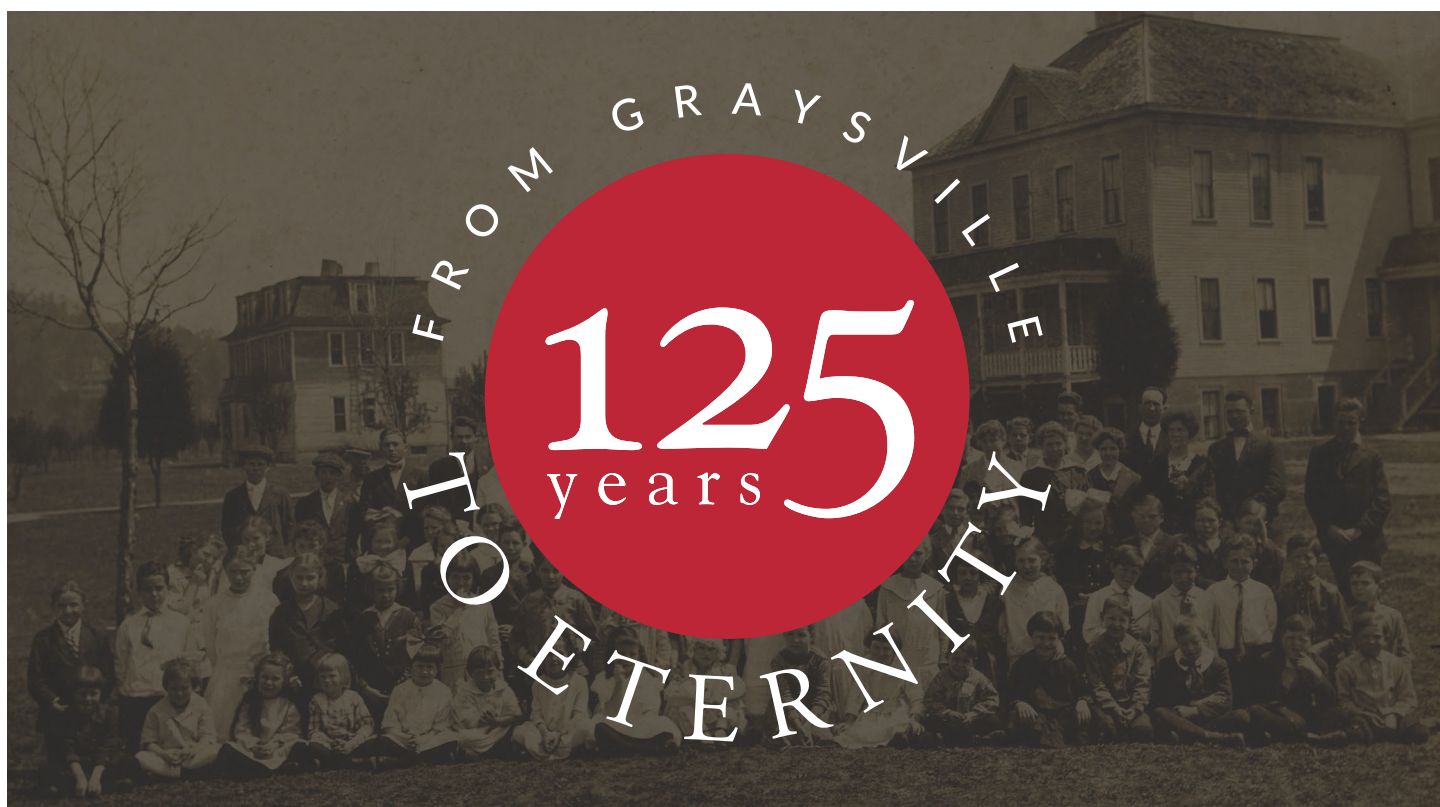
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Celebrating

125

years

The Greater Collegedale School System will be celebrating it's 125th anniversary this year - an amazing milestone we are blessed to be commemorating. We look forward to sharing our amazing history during alumni weekend to be held April 7, 8 & 9.

'From Graysville to Eternity' is our theme for alumni weekend, and we are so proud of this mission - to prepare our young people for eternity - one of our greatest desires is to see each one of our young people in heaven with us someday soon.

We also desire to support every student who wishes to attend GCSS. Last year, one of our alumnus generously provided a matching donation of \$700,000 to be used to help establish a new generation of donors. This donation helped us raise over \$300,000 last year, and with the Lord's blessing, it will help us raise \$350,000 for 2017.

For all those who are faithful donors to the GCSS Worthy Student Fund, we sincerely thank you and appreciate your continued support. If you have never donated to GCSS, we would invite you to join us this year - the program works as follows:

- » For those who have not made a donation within the last five year, any donation up to \$1,000 will be matched 3 to 1 - thus, a \$100 donation will be matched with a \$300 donation by our donor, and \$1,000 will be matched by \$3,000.
- » All donations from \$1,000 to \$10,000 will be matched 2 to 1.
- » All donations above \$10,000 will be matched 1 to 1.

We are truly blessed to have such a generous constituency. We appreciate the support we receive from those who have given so generously in years past, and we ask for your continued prayers as we move forward in the new year.

Because we are a registered 501(C)(3) organization, your donation is completely tax deductible. We sincerely appreciate your willingness to support those who desire to attend GCSS, and we hope to see you alumni weekend.

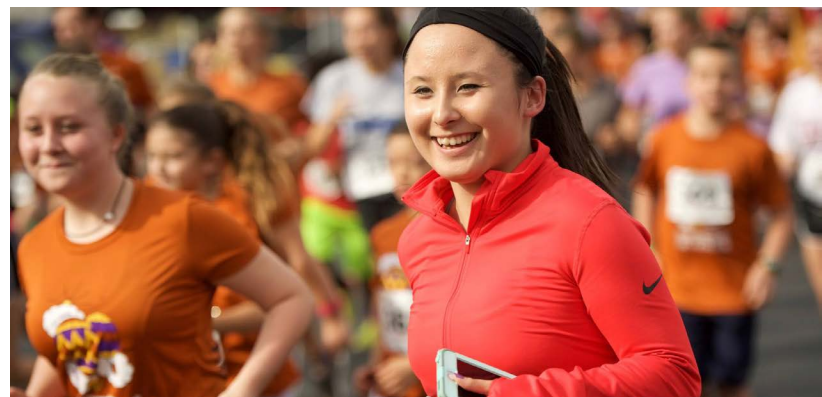
Sandy Erickson RACE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Richard Erickson

"Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light"...as Darla, Devon, and Derrick Milholm gracefully sang those familiar words, we had finally reached the point we had been preparing so long for – the start of the Sandy Erickson 5K Race for Christian Education.

On a beautiful autumn day in early November, over 600 people from the community came together to celebrate the life of an extraordinary teacher, our very own Sandy Erickson. She is still remembered for her amazing ability



Micaela Row (Sophomore)

to connect with her students, and in whose memory this race is dedicated to.

The day started at 11 o'clock with a "Fun Before the Run" carnival headed up by our Home & School Leader, Angella Cho. This was the first year in which we had every grade, K – 12, participating in the carnival.

There was cotton candy and pizza, a jail to throw friends into, a 20'slide, face painting that was literally out-of-this-

world awesome, a nine-hole putt-putt course – it truly was a carnival worthy of its name. The kids were having a marvelous time.

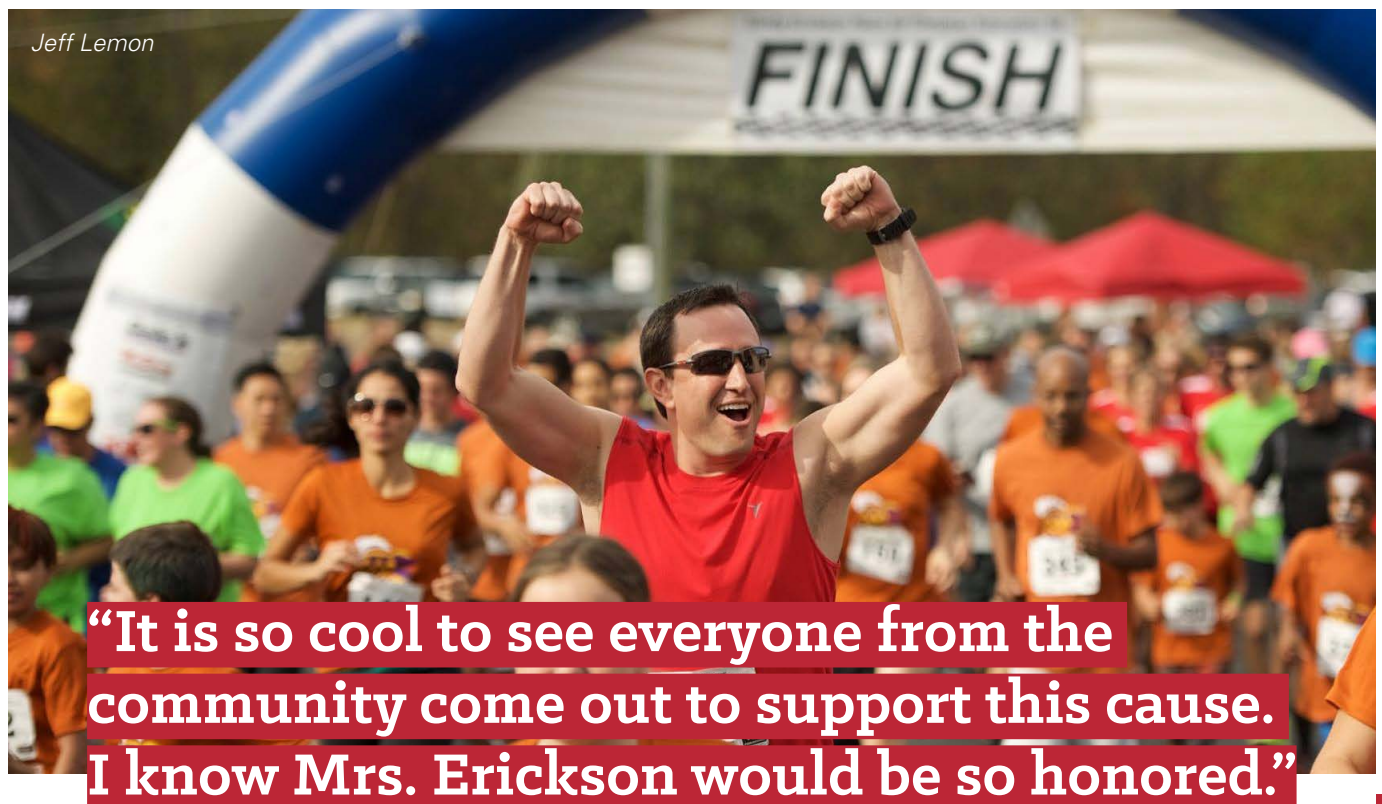
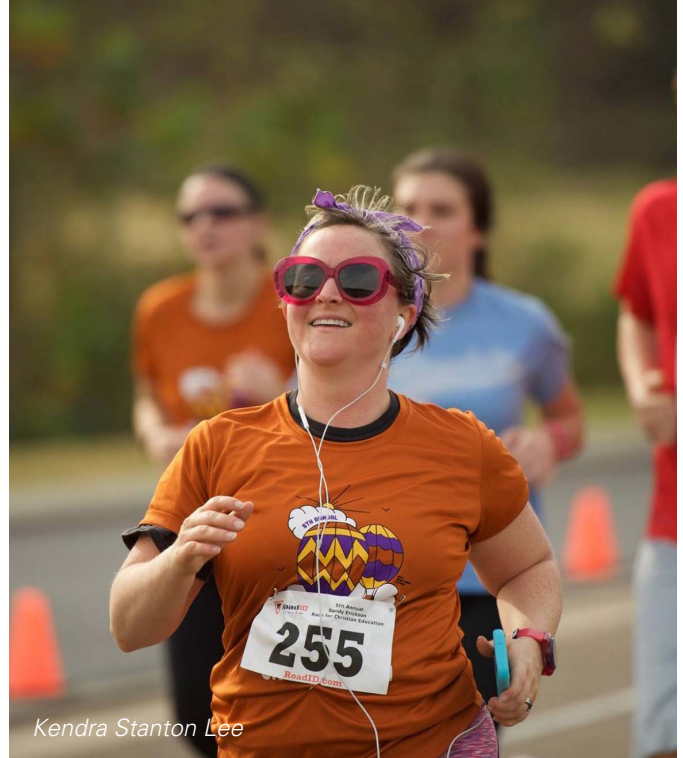
Victoria Griffin, a student at AWS, when asked what she appreciated most about the race, replied, “The race is fun because I get to run with my friends and help raise money for a good cause.”

At 1 o’clock sharp, the Milholm kids opened up the program with a beautiful rendition of our National Anthem, followed by a prayer given by GCSS Principal Brent Baldwin and several public service announcements by our Emcee for the day, Pastor Dave Kettelsen (Little-known fact: Dave has been the Emcee for all five races – we can’t thank him enough for his amazing support and enthusiasm).

As is tradition, the Fun Run, which is open to kids from the ages of 5 – 8, started precisely at 1:30. Thanks to a few minor adjustments, we were able to minimize the number of injuries this year, to the relief of our parents and the wonderful volunteers from the SAU Nursing Department.

The 5K run started precisely at 2 o’clock with nearly 300 runners in attendance. With friends and family lining the route, the runners were cheered on as they took to the course.

For many of the runners they’re proud to have run in each and every race. Others, such as Hannah Moody, had a scheduling conflict that didn’t allow her to run this year’s race – the first one’s she’s missed. Although she couldn’t run this year, as one of Mrs. Erickson’s former



“It is so cool to see everyone from the community come out to support this cause. I know Mrs. Erickson would be so honored.”



Students of all ages enjoyed running in the race, as well as sliding down the '20 slide and getting their faces painted.



students she still has very strong emotions when talking about the race. "It is so cool to see everyone from the community come out to support this cause. I know Mrs. Erickson would be so honored."

"This race is truly becoming a tradition within the Collegedale community, and we appreciate all those who have helped to make this race a success, from our corporate sponsors to each and every volunteer. Each one makes a difference, and we truly believe Mrs. Erickson would be proud to have her name and memory connected to." Dan Jensen, Race Director.

"We want to thank all of our GCSS volunteers, sponsors and supports of this amazing race — we couldn't do it without you."

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Title Sponsor – Tyler Prentice being interviewed by emcee Pastor Dave



Lorrie Watkins makes a little girl's day with a wonderful face painting

We wish to thank our Title Sponsors, PM Pediatrics and Scenic City Dental, and all of sponsors of this year's race – your generous support is truly appreciated.



CAD4HOPE

BY KRISTEN MALIN, SENIOR



CAD4HOPE, a tradition started many years ago by Richard Cadavero (CAD), our former chaplain at CA, allows the students to join together to do something good for our community. Over two days, we collect, organize, and box the canned items to be sent to the Samaritan center where the food is given out to people in need. This program leaves a blessing not only on the ones receiving the food, but also on the ones collecting it. It helps us to see what an impact we can make on people when we come together as a school and a community.



COLLEGEDALE ACADEMY ANNUAL FUNDRAISING APPEAL

The Greater Collegedale School System is pleased to announce a new initiative being championed and supported by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference. The GCSS School Board was informed at its recent meeting that the Conference will be donating a \$1 million matching grant towards the establishment of a CA Endowment.

This endowment is being established to support the Worthy Student Fund (WSF). In the last 15 years, we've seen the WSF grow from needing \$27,000 to over \$325,000 per school year (for all three GCSS campuses combined). We've also seen the number of students requesting support grow by over 300%.

This type of growth is unsustainable without a plan. This endowment will go a long way in helping us maintain our WSF program. Our immediate goal is to raise \$3 million in matching dollars. We would then use those funds to match another \$3 million, raising the total to \$6 million. The endowment will be managed by the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, to be pooled with other endowments set up for other schools in our conference. With an expected draw of 4%, the WSF could receive up to \$240,000 or more per school year, thus allowing us to continue supporting our families in need without having to seek annual donor support for the majority of these funds.

Your prayers at this time are greatly appreciated, for we know it is only with the Lord's blessing that this amazing endowment fund will be developed. If you are interested in financially supporting this endowment, please contact Dan Jensen at djensen@collegedaleacademy.com or by phone at (952) 221-5707.



A large banner for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference Instrumental Invitational. The banner features a dark background with a red curtain at the top. A circular seal is visible on the curtain. The title "GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE" is in white, all-caps, sans-serif font. Below it, "Instrumental Invitational" is in a large, white, cursive script font. Underneath the title, "BY CALLE TURK, JUNIOR" is written in a smaller, white, all-caps, sans-serif font. The bottom half of the banner shows a photograph of a string orchestra performing on a stage, with a conductor in the center. The audience is visible in the foreground.

GEORGIA-CUMBERLAND CONFERENCE *Instrumental Invitational*

BY CALLE TURK, JUNIOR

In January, Collegedale Academy welcomed over 100 middle school musicians to participate in the 2017 Georgia-Cumberland Conference Instrumental Invitational. The Friday and Sabbath event started with registration, where every participating student received a folder, pencil, t-shirt, and a CA water bottle. Chaplain Chis Massengill and Principal Brent Baldwin welcomed the students with a small worship thought and prayer in the auditorium and then the students were off to their rehearsals. Gregory Lindquist, CA's band and orchestra director, was very excited about the clinicians whom he had invited to come and work with the students: Esther Aviles, a CA alumna, arrived from Florida to conduct the 42 students of the festival strings; and Steve Martin, a graduate from Southern Missionary College, joined in on the event from Chicago to direct the 70 students of festival band. The students had rehearsals all Friday morning and afternoon, but were also able to have fun





and connect with student leaders from CA who led in recreation activities, snacks, lunch, and dinner. The students also received a treat from the festival band clinician, Steve Martin, who played multiple riveting pieces on the banjo for both musical ensembles. The festival culminated with performances by both the festival strings and festival band in CA's auditorium at 7 o'clock that evening. The strings played first, serenading the audience with arrangements of Beethoven and Mozart. Next came a highlights presentation consisting of videos and pictures of the day's activities – completed entirely by CA students. The band closed out the night with music the audience was sure to be humming for the rest of the evening. However, the musicians were not done yet; both groups got to play for the Collegedale Church the next morning. One thing is certain, every participant left with sore fingers and chops, new friends, and an amazing experience they will not soon forget.



ALUMNI WEEKEND 2017

We sincerely hope you will join us for a wonderful weekend of memories, music and the opportunity to reconnect with former classmates.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | April 7, 8 & 9

Friday, April 7, 2017

- » 10 a.m. Annual Alumni Golf Tournament
Bear Trace Golf Course in Harrison Bay
- » 8 p.m. Vespers at Lynn Wood Hall
Guest Speaker: Peg Knecht
Reception to Follow



Sabbath, April 8, 2017

- » 9:45 a.m. CA Auditorium: Guest Speaker - Marty Miller
- » 10:30 a.m. Roll Call and Welcome: Dan Jensen
- » 11:00 a.m. Sabbath Sermon:
"From Graysville to Eternity"
Guest Speaker – Dr. Ron Barrow
- » 1:00 p.m. Annual Pot Luck Lunch and Honor
Class Photos in the Gymnasium
- » 8:45 p.m. Musical by CA Fine Arts Department,
"Hello, Dolly!", Directed by Roberta Bishop



As a way to commemorate our 125th anniversary, we would like to invite our alumni to join us on Sunday morning at 10 AM to dedicate the new multi-purpose room located above the gymnasium. This room will be used by students and faculty alike, and we will be starting a new tradition at CA. There will be a large, wooden cross hanging above the stage (as part of our CA logo) – this cross is there to remind us of why we exist as a school. Every year we will make a new cross and invite our students to dedicate their lives to His mission by signing their names on the cross.

We would like our alumni to start this tradition on our 125th anniversary by signing your names on the first cross. The dedication ceremony will take place from 10 – 10:30 AM, followed by a wonderful brunch to be enjoyed in the new facility. Please mark your calendars for the special dedication.

Sunday, April 9, 2017

- » 10:00 a.m. Dedication of Newly Renovated
Multi-purpose Room Above the
Gymnasium - Brunch to Follow
in the 50's Diner

HONOR CLASSES

It is our pleasure to honor
the following classes this year:

Class of 1942	Class of 1967	Class of 1992
Class of 1947	Class of 1972	Class of 1997
Class of 1952	Class of 1977	Class of 2002
Class of 1957	Class of 1982	Class of 2007
Class of 1962	Class of 1987	Class of 2012





Alumni Weekend Presenters

Peggy Knecht – Friday Evening Vespers, April 7 at 8 p.m. | Lynn Wood Hall Chapel

Peggy came to CA in 1972 from PUC Prep School (where she worked as a PE teacher). At CA she worked in several positions (from registrar to vice principal) under five principals (Ron Barrow, Dean Maddock, Hamlet Canosa, Kermise Rowe and Verle Thompson) until retiring in 1999. She received her BS degree in Business Administration with an emphasis in Office Administration from Southern Adventist University. She loved being at CA and sees alumni weekend as an opportunity to draw closer with all those who are part of the CA family.

Marty Miller – Sabbath School, April 8 at 9:30 a.m. | CA Auditorium

Marty Miller is a lifelong disciple of Christ, the loving husband of his wife Gale (Life Skills teacher '00-'01), and the proud father of two adult children, Jonathan Miller ('05) and Julie Cole ('07) and two grandchildren! Marty's career path has been primarily in the field of education having served in both public and private sectors from California to Tennessee. He has held positions that range from elementary school principal to professor of education. He has a long history with Collegedale Academy that includes graduating from CA in 1977 and serving as science teacher from 1999-2009. Currently Marty is president of Blueprint for Men, a Christ-centered, relationship-based men's ministry that educates, equips, and empowers men to move from isolation and brokenness into healthy relationships and wholeness.

Dr. Ronald M. Barrow – Sabbath Divine Service, April 8 at 11:00 a.m. | CA Auditorium

As a graduate from Washington Missionary College (now Washington Adventist University) in 1958, Ron immediately accepted a call into education, which is where he remained for the next forty years. He joined the CA family in 1968, and was instrumental in moving the school from the campus of Southern Adventist University to its current location. He was the CA principal until 1979, when he was asked to join the administrative team at what was then Southern Missionary College, where he remained until he retired in 1998. Ron is excited to share the history of this great school – the first Adventist school to be planted in the South after the Civil War. You won't want to miss this amazing journey 'From Graysville to Eternity.'



COLLEGEDALE ACADEMY'S FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

Hello, Dolly!

MUSIC AND LYRICS BY JERRY HERMAN, BOOK BY MICHAEL STEWART

April
8

9pm

April
9

2pm & 7pm

April
10

7pm

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