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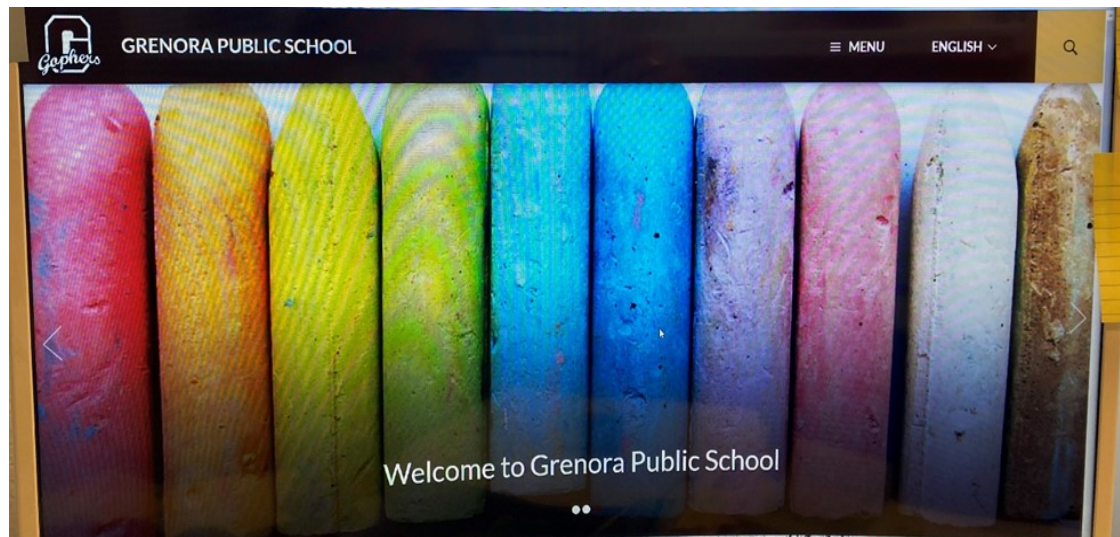
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Exciting advances to share information !

Possibilities explored for Foundation use

Grenora School Rolls Out New Website



To better serve students, parents, alumni and the public, Grenora School has launched an improved website at www.grenorapublicschool.org along with a one-step efficient procedure to update other information-sharing media. Through these improvements your Foundation will also provide more ways to share the good things that your generous donations are making possible.

Adding to the effectiveness of the school's website and Facebook page, a downloadable mobile app provides live-feed notifications. A one-step process allows school personnel to quickly and efficiently update all its communications media. Texts and phone calls can alert the user when new postings are made.

Everyone can be included --

A notification group also lets alumni and community members receive texts or phone call updates. Contact the school at 701-694-2711 or grenorapublicschool@gpsd99.org to join the group.

And the Foundation will join this new effort --

The Foundation's website www.grenorakids.net continues online but our ability to communicate with alumni and others will be greatly enhanced with these improvements. The school's website will have a link/portal to the Foundation's website, a Facebook page for the Foundation will be established, the same mobile app available from the school will gain access to the Foundation, and text/phone call updates of Foundation news will be available.

We anticipate continuing the annual Foundation paper newsletter mailings and are excited to also include all these new communication options which are already proving very effective for the school to share its story with all.



The Grenora High School Students and Teachers Directory is going ONLINE!

Grenora Public School Foundation has tried its best to keep the 1922-2016 directory up to date since it was printed and distributed in 2016. Each time we mail the annual Foundation newsletter we discover new addresses of alumni from the returned newsletters we receive. But sometimes there is no forwarding address, and an alumnus will no longer receive the newsletter unless we are told of the new address. So, to keep this address book as current as possible **FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL ALUMNI**, the address book will be posted on the Foundation's website at www.grenorakids.net

IF YOU DON'T WANT YOUR NAME & OTHER INFO ON THE WEBSITE OR

IF YOUR NAME OR CURRENT ADDRESS ARE INCORRECT OR MISSING

Contact us at grenorakids@gmail.com

No later than Dec 31, 2020 (info can also be removed or changed after posting)

Another Successful Fishing Gear Raffle!

Thanks to all who supported the Foundation by purchasing tickets (over \$16,000 of tickets!) These were the winners of some very high quality fishing gear:

Charlie Albus
Vicki Barbot
Harley Bellet
Jeff Clarke
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Jason Esperum
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George Have
Jim Heilman

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Gordon Wehrach
Greg Zavalney



Good Luck Fishing!

NEW CURTAINS ?

They have served the school and community over 50 years, but are showing their age.



President Nixon was elected the same year these curtains were installed. They survived better than Dick, but their time has come too.

These side and back curtains have taken a lot of wear in their 52 years.

Several curtain providers have been contacted — Know of any providers? We'd welcome your input.

Such curtains are a costly consideration for the school board. If the decision is made to replace them, the Foundation would like to help, along with other arising needs. Whatever the need, your donations help a lot!



GRR — THIS UGLY VIRUS!



But the administration, teachers, staff and students are to be commended for their careful actions. As early as last spring, school officials took creative steps to keep teaching our kids when school closures were mandated.

This story was shared by your Foundation on Facebook and in area newspapers last March—

This picture, taken outside the Grenora Public School Tuesday (3/24/2020) morning as teachers placed their homework assignment materials and electronics for pickup by the buses which are still running all their rural routes, despite the state-wide closure of schools. Once a week, supplies are delivered on those buses to students and once a week the students return certain homework assignments which can't be transmitted electronically as part of the school's online teaching process instituted as a result of the closure.

The buses are also delivering breakfast and lunch meals to some of those students, keeping both the teachers and staff about as busy as if the students were still coming to the school.

It's a lot quieter, though, says Superintendent Aaron Rundnigen, who communicates with students and parents by Facebook, along with his staff of teachers who are available for communication with their students by email or phone. Grenora School is stepping up during this challenging time.

Many readers shared on Grenora Gophers Facebook delight and support of their alma mater and of school staff in their efforts to cope with this mysterious virus. At the writing of this newsletter a new school year has resumed and staff remains committed to continued safety for their students and everyone. Thanks folks!



Books, supplies and meals await bus delivery to students' homes



Kitchen staff cooked and bagged meals for students at home



Thanks, Donors!

The great works funded by the Foundation are only possible because of your support. Recent donors include:
(numbers in parenthesis indicate GHS alumni graduation year or teacher service years)

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In Honor of:

GHS Class of '47

Gordon&Delores Jacobson(51) Hagge

GHS Class of '54

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Elementary & High School students '59-'66

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 Funded Projects
 Administrative & Raffle Prize Costs
 Foundation Cash Balance 9/30/2020

\$195,004
 (81,623)
 (26,029)
 \$87,352
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The kids thank you !