

# GPGC 50th Anniversary Reunion

## Final Schedule of Events

July 24–27, 2008

Revised July 19, 2008

### Thursday, July 24, 2008

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**3:00 p.m.** Drama, *The Curious Savage* (first performance), Ralph Squires Auditorium, McNeese

**4:30–9:00 p.m.** Alumni Social, Parra Ballroom, New Ranch, McNeese

*Includes: memorabilia display, photo montage, and slideshow; Miles To Go and The Thinker from past years; new 2008 Alumni Miles To Go; new 2008 GPGC Alumni Directory; reunion t-shirts & souvenirs available as well. (cash bar for those 21 and up)*

*Walk-in reunion sign-ups at the sign-up table*

**6:30 p.m.** Welcome and Recognitions, Parra Ballroom

*Welcome, Zart Dombourian-Eby (Chair of the GPGC Alumni Association)*

*Welcome, Josh Brown (GPGC Assistant Director)*

*Presentation to McNeese Administration in appreciation for all their support.*

*Recognition of first Class (in 1959) and first statewide Class (in 1964)*

**7:30–9:00 p.m.** Alumni Dinner Buffet, Parra Ballroom

**7:30 p.m.** Musical, *Once Upon a Mattress* (first performance), F. G. Bulber Auditorium (formerly Main Auditorium), McNeese

**9:30 p.m.** Bilbo Baggins Birthday Pajama Party, L'Auberge du Lac Hotel, Ballroom EF

*Wear your pajamas, bring your favorite pillow, blankie, or stuffed animal, and enjoy birthday cake and a bedtime story. (cash bar for those 21 and up).*

### Friday, July 25, 2008

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**8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.** Walk-in Reunion Sign-ups Continue, L'Auberge du Lac, Sycamore Room A

**8:00–10:30 a.m.** Breakfast, L'Auberge du Lac, Sycamore Room A

**9:00–11:45 a.m.** Fun and Games, L'Auberge du Lac

*Risk / Back-Alley Bridge / Hearts / Spades / Chess / etc. (Sycamore Room A)*

*Swimming / Floating down the Lazy River / Swim-up Bar / Jacuzzi / etc. (Pool Area—Guests Only)*

*Slot Machines / Blackjack / Roulette / etc. (Hotel Casino—For Those Of Us Who Are Bad At Math...)*

**12:00–2:00 p.m.** Luncheon and Speakers Program, L'Auberge du Lac, Ballroom EF

*"The Psychology of Gifted Adults," Speaker—Cal Domingue, MFT, GPGC Class of 1970*

**2:00–5:30 p.m.** Fun and Games continue, L'Auberge du Lac, Sycamore Room A

**3:00 p.m.** Drama, *The Curious Savage* (final performance), Ralph Squires Auditorium (while Fun and Games continue at L'Auberge)

**5:30 p.m.** Free time / Dinner on your own (McNeese cafeteria is closed)

**7:30 p.m.** Musical, *Once Upon a Mattress* (final performance), F. G. Bulber Auditorium

**After The Musical (9-ish?):** Party hosted by Pat and Virginia Webb at their home

## Saturday, July 26, 2008

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**9:00 a.m.** Graduation for current GPGC students, Ralph Squires Auditorium

**9:30 a.m.** Graduation & Networking Reception, F. G. Bulber Auditorium Lobby

*Get-together for current gifties, parents, and all alumni to meet, greet, socialize, network, and get to know one another—2008 GPGC Alumni Directories available (showing where 50 years of gifties have lived, worked, gone to college, etc.)*

**11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.** Luncheon, Panel Discussions, & Remembrances, Parra Ballroom

*Decade-by-Decade Panel Discussions with Alumni, Counselors, Teachers*

*Re: Dorm Life, Weekends, Morning and Afternoon Classes, Extracurricular Activities  
Remembrances of Dr. Middleton and Other Alumni*

**3:00 p.m.** Orchestra & Choral Concerts, F. G. Bulber Auditorium

*Musical tribute to GPGC teachers Sylvia Kushner, Jerry Crews, and Keith Gates*

*Orchestra Concert Program*

*Presentation of major gifts from Friends of the GPGC to the Governor's Program*

*Choral Concert Program*

*Memorial for Dr. Middleton delivered by H. Paul Honsinger*

*Alumni join the Chorus on stage to sing "The Impossible Dream"*

**6:30 p.m.** Dinner, Parra Ballroom

**7:45 p.m.** Sing-a-Long, Parra Ballroom (bring your guitars, ukuleles, etc.)

**9:00 p.m.** Alumni Dance, Parra Ballroom (cash bar for those 21 and up)

## Sunday, July 27, 2008

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**9:00–11:00 a.m.** Breakfast (Donut Time!) and Alumni Planning Meeting, Parra Ballroom

**12:00–2:30 p.m.** Lunch and Final Presentations, Piccadilly (buy your own)

*"Future Plans for the Alumni Association"—Zart Dombourian-Eby*

*"The GPGC of Tomorrow"—Josh Brown*

**2:30–5:30 p.m.** Trickling out by those alumni who don't want the reunion to end...

*NOTE: There will be several performances of both the Drama and the Musical during the Reunion. Alumni are welcome to attend any or all performances as they wish. If space is limited at any time, we ask that alumni defer to the families of current students. There is also a dress rehearsal performance of the Musical for the general public on Wednesday night (July 23) before the reunion, if folks nearby would like to attend that evening. Also, the Art Show will be on display Friday and Saturday in the F.G. Bulber Front Lobby, and there is a chamber music recital at noon on Friday in Ralph Squires.*