

THE ROAD TO 100



A monthly newsletter counting down to Gow's Centennial Weekend, October 2026.
Honoring our past. Celebrating our present. Inspiring our future.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Skiing at Gow! Skiing has long played a big role at Gow. A tow rope was installed on the campus ski hill in 1941, and skiing was required for students for many years. The tradition continues today, with students skiing twice a week - at either Holimont or Holiday Valley - during the winter season!



The Gow ski hill in the 1940s.



Ski lessons on the hill in 1958.



Skiers on the hill in 1985.

EVENT SPOTLIGHT

100 YEARS OF CREATIVITY: THE "JUICE & CHEESE" ART SHOW FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 5PM



The Centennial Art Show is set for Friday, October 2, 2026 at 5:00pm in the Reid Arts Center on campus. The show will bring together a vibrant collection of alumni, student, faculty, and family creativity, celebrating 100 years of imagination in every form. This special exhibition will showcase a range of works - paintings bursting with color, expressive sketches, intricate ceramics, bold renderings, handcrafted sculptures, essays, books, musical scores, and more.

Every piece on display will tell a story about the transformative power of creativity and the unique voices nurtured on our campus. Together, these works paint a dynamic portrait of Gow's past, present, and future: a community where creativity thrives, inspiration is shared, and imagination continues to shape generations of Ravens.

Alumni and friends of Gow are warmly invited to take part by submitting their own work for inclusion in the show. Whether you're a professional artist or simply enjoy creating, we would be honored to feature your talents in this Centennial celebration. Please click the button below to let us know you're interested in participating or contact centennial@gow.org.

Art Show Interest Form



DID YOU KNOW?



Gow's motto - *Bear and Dare* - and the school seal were created in 1946. The motto was developed by Peter Gow and the seal was designed by art teacher Carlo Nisita.

"Bear with your frustrations and dare to push beyond comfortable limits.

"Dare to accept responsibilities for your future." This was the inspiration for Peter Gow, Jr. to choose the Greek phrase "T' Lay Thee" as the school's motto.

IMPORTANT DATES

- * **Centennial Celebrations Begin on Campus**
Thursday, October 1, 2026
- * **Centennial Celebrations Continue on Campus**
Friday, October 2, 2026
- * **Centennial Gala at The Powerhouse in Buffalo**
Saturday, October 3, 2026

READY FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THE CENTENNIAL?

Click the links below!

Full Centennial
Weekend Details



Centennial
Attendance Survey



Honoring Departed
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Submit Your Gow
Stories



ACCOMMODATIONS FOR CENTENNIAL WEEKEND

We strongly encourage you to book your accommodations for Centennial Weekend, if you haven't already done so!

HOTEL	BOOKING INFO
Roycroft Inn (East Aurora)	Call 716.652.5552 Reference "Gow Centennial"
Marriott LECOM Harbor Center (downtown Buffalo)	Click HERE to reserve under Gow's room block
Hampton Inn (East Aurora)	Click HERE to reserve under Gow's room block

Click here for full list of
area accommodations

