

# NEWS OF THE MONTH -- DECEMBER 2008

## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1959

### EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN



Dear Classmates,

The holidays are here! It's hard to believe because it seems as though school was just starting, and the days were beginning to feel a little crisp, when, all of a sudden, we were sitting down to Thanksgiving dinner! Certainly, as we've gotten "a bit" older, the days do go by much faster, and it will be New Year's Day 2009 before we know it. Not only have the most recent months flown by for all of us, but the last fifty years have also. If you think back to our senior year in high school – as we started our last semester of classes – did you ever think we'd be getting together in 2009 for a 50<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion? For most of us, it wasn't even a thought, and here we are! September 2009 is also going to be here "in the blink of an eye," so, hopefully, you're making plans and will be coming "from the four corners of the world to the four corners of Eau Claire" to celebrate those fifty years together!

By the way, as you get together with your families over the holidays, it's a perfect time to take some pictures of your children/grandchildren/yourselves and send them to Steve Loken or to me to be added to our website in the *Later Years* section under "Family and Friends." Go to *Contact Us* on the website to find out how to get them here. Steve will be happy to add any photos and information you send. It would be great to have lots and lots of pictures come in! Remember to use your cameras!

If you've looked at the pictures from Mogie's last month, you'll notice that we've decided to do some informal photos during lunch instead of a group photograph at the end of the get-together. Steve Loken suggested we try it, and we're getting some great feedback. We hope you like it. If you haven't taken a look, you might want to do so while you're online. As there is every month, there will be a Class of 1959 Lunch at Mogie's on the second Thursday of December (the 11<sup>th</sup>) at 1 p.m., so if you're in town and want to have a good time with good friends, be sure to be there!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to you all! See you in 2009!

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