



**News of the Month – December 2017**  
**Class of 1959 – Memorial High School**  
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Dear Classmates,

As we approach the end of the year, it is time for us to do some planning about the years ahead for the ECMHS Class of 1959, so everyone knows what's happening and can look forward to the events leading up to, and including, our 60<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion that is planned for September 13, 14, and 15, 2019. At the 60<sup>th</sup> Class Reunion Meeting during the past summer, it was decided that the 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion will be our last reunion that lasts over several days. In the year 2020, our class will begin to celebrate a once-each-year dinner for any classmates and guests who would like to attend, but we will no longer have several days and events included in our plans. As a result, you might want to make sure you plan ahead for the 60<sup>th</sup> and can look forward to the events and fun of being together for a couple of days instead of a couple of hours. Also, after the 2019 Reunion, it has been decided that we will no longer have a Class of 1959 Website. That means it will be important to keep our address file updated regularly and stay in touch. Hopefully, it will all work out just fine, and we can enjoy getting together forever.

Each year, for the past few years, I have been invited to Memorial High School's "History of the Fifties Day" to share some of my high school experiences with students who are studying those years now. It's always fun for me to share, and the students have a lot of good questions ready when we get together. It would be fun for me to hear what you remember most about living our history during those years too. If you feel like it, send me an email and let me know what "stood out" for you.

Thanks to many of you who have sent donations to John Schaaf or me for our class treasury. It helps so much with our mailings for printing, stamps, etc. We really appreciate your help with getting those letters out to everyone. It also helps a lot when you email or snail mail new addresses to me when you move. And many of you have done that this year. Thank you very much. (You will be getting a snail mail letter in the spring to make sure we are in contact with everyone in our class.)



Warm wishes for a happy holiday season to all of you!

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