NEWS OF THE MONTH – FEBRUARY 2012 MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1959 EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN



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Dear Classmates,

The 55th Reunion Committee has been busy with a couple of projects this month. The first was to discuss and finalize some plans for our next reunion. It was decided that we should go ahead and make reservations for the 2014 Reunion if the dates (September 12, 13, & 14, 2014) were still available at the Ramada Inn Downtown in Eau Claire. They were, and, since the majority of our classmates want to go back there for the 55th Reunion, we made a commitment to return to the Ramada in 2014. We also decided that both the Friday evening and the Saturday evening events will be held in the downstairs area. Most of you asked for that location, and it makes sense. It is a little cozier and friendlier downstairs, plus the rest rooms are right across the hall. Both are good reasons to make that choice. The breakfast on Sunday, however, will be held on the main floor of the Ramada – just as it was in 2009. We hope you like the plans and will save that weekend to head to Eau Claire and a good time together in 2014!

The other project we've been working on is the annual *Class of 1959 Snail Mail Newsletter*. It will be mailed on Friday, February 3, 2012, so it should be arriving at your home soon. It will explain more about the plans for the reunion, and it will bring you up-to-date on a number of classmates' addresses, emails, etc. Included in the letter will be a list of our 104 classmates who have passed on. It's difficult to believe that we have lost so many so soon. If you do not receive your newsletter by February 15, 2012, please contact me to make sure I have the correct address for you. We want to make sure that everyone gets the annual letter.

And, it is with sadness that I have to tell you that our classmate, Patricia Barby Moen (Mrs. Maynard Moen), died on November 28, 2011, in Oregon City, Oregon. In addition, Jeffrey Todd Johnson, the son of our classmate, Steve Johnson, and his wife, Janet (Anderson) Johnson (ECHS-Class of 1957), died on January 22, 2012, in Eau Claire. You can read more about both Pat and Jeff by going to the *What's New* section of this website and following the links to the information. We send our sincere sympathy to their families. Our thoughts are with you.

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