

News of the Month – September 2016

Memorial High School Class of 1959 Eau Claire, Wisconsin September 1, 2016



Dear Classmates,

With leaves beginning to fall and public schools starting in Eau Claire today, it does seem like autumn has begun in Wisconsin. It is an especially good time of the year to get together with classmates at Mogie's at 436 Water Street on the second Thursday of each month at 1:00 p.m. to renew old friendship and catch-up on the latest happenings with our class members. (When you arrive, be sure to head toward the back of Mogie's, which is where the group meets and eats and where all the noise is coming from.) You'll find lots of friendly faces and great food and drinks while you visit with our classmates during the year ahead.

Also, the new Water Street Bridge is scheduled to open to traffic today as well, so it will be a great reason to celebrate after a full year of construction and traffic detours!

You may be interested to know that I've had dinner at the new Lismore Hotel a couple of times since it opened, and I enjoyed the meals and atmosphere very much. I hope you're looking forward to our 60th Class Reunion there in 2019!

Thank you to everyone who has been sending or calling with your address updates over the last several months. I've received a few more this month, and it really is wonderful of you to remember to include the ECMHS Class of 1959 in your "change of address" mail when you move. (We seem to be a group of people who are still moving from place to place – even at our advanced age of 75+ years!) It is such a help, when we do our annual mailing, to have the correct addresses on file. And, when one classmate wants to find another classmate, after some years between, it is great to have the correct address on file.

Sadly, we have lost another classmate this month. Robert (Rob) Luchsinger, who lived in Hallie, died on Friday, August 12, 2016, at Lake Hallie Memory Care. Arrangements for cremation were made by Rob's son through Chippewa Valley Cremation Services in Altoona, but there will be no visitation or funeral. Rob's son is taking his father's ashes Out West, which was his father's wish.

And Connie (Tauger) Johnson, wife of our classmate, Dave Johnson, died unexpectedly in the early morning hours of August 9, 2016. Her obituary can be found on this website. We send our sympathy and caring thoughts to Dave and their family at this sad time.

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