



# Class Notes

## MAINE WEST NEWS AND EVENTS

### For and of the Great Class of 1968

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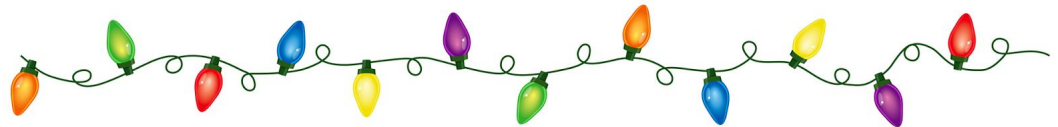
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### **Operation 50: A Celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion for the Class of 1968:**

Our Team is working hard to make the 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion a successful event. Following along with the traditions of past reunions, there will be an ice breaker held on **Friday, September 14, 2018**. The location of this part of the Reunion Weekend has yet to be determined. Scouting parties are checking out potential sites even as this edition of *Class Notes* goes to press. We are hoping to have that location nailed down by the next Planning Team meeting which will be in January, 2018. Any and all ideas are welcome and will be passed along to the Planning Team.

The tours of Maine West are in the books and will be scheduled for some time in the late morning of **Saturday, September 15, 2018**. The tours have always been a part of the Reunion Weekend and the 50<sup>th</sup> will not be an exception. Don't take my word for it; the school tour is one of the fascinating parts of the weekend. The school still looks fantastic and there are many changes that have taken place since the “good ol' days.” (One such change is that girls are allowed to go down into the “pit” these days; whereas, when we were there, only boys were allowed down in the indoor track).

The “Maine Event” will take place in the evening of **Saturday, September 15, 2018**. This portion of the Reunion Weekend will take place at the Club Casa, which is located at the corner of River Road and Golf Road, across the street from Holy Family Hospital. **Seating for this event is limited.** The menu will be determined based on the input from the Planning Team.

The Planning Team is also looking into activities that can be done on **Sunday, September 16, 2018**. These would be optional for groups or individuals who wish to take part. Two examples would be a bus ride to downtown Chicago to take the Architecture Tour on the Chicago River or Lake Michigan Boat Tours. Of course, gatherings of fellow classmates on Sunday have always been encouraged. Stay tuned as the plans for the weekend of September 14, 15 and 16, 2018 become clearer.



2018 Reunion is coming up in ... well, 2018! It's the BIG 5•0 and you're invited!

Watch our Facebook page, website, and the Alumni site as the date nears.

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/MaineWest1968>

Website:

<http://mainewest1968.weebly.com/>

Alumni Site:

<http://mainewestalumni.org/>

*Please keep  
in touch;  
share your  
news!!*

*Notify your CCC  
with any changes  
in names,  
addresses, phone  
numbers,  
e-mail addresses,  
and news!*

### **The Class of 1968 Warrior Nation Hall of Fame:**

Here is a review of our Classmates that have left us during 2017: Roger Schalk on January 10; John Szaltis on March 3; Richard "Rick" Poulos on October 5 and Jennifer Widell Bray on October 23. We pass our condolences to their loved ones because of their loss.

### **50 Years Ago:**

- The New Orleans Saints notched their first ever NFL victory by beating the Philadelphia Eagles 31-24
- U. S. Troops conquer Loc Ninh Vietnam
- U. S. launches Surveyor 6 which makes a soft landing on the moon.
- President Lyndon Baines Johnson signs a bill establishing the Corporation for Public Broadcasting
- St. Louis Cardinals' Orlando Cepeda and Boston Red Sox' Carl Yastrzemski were named Most Valuable Players in their respective leagues
- Silver hits record high of \$1.951 per ounce in London
- Owners approve expansion to Seattle and Kansas City for two new Major League Baseball teams
- Census clock at the Department of Commerce ticks past 200 million
- The Beatles release "Magical Mystery Tour"
- Julie Nixon and David Eisenhower announce their engagement
- Senator Eugene McCarthy begins a run for the presidency

### **WLS Silver Dollar Survey Top Ten from November 17, 1967:**

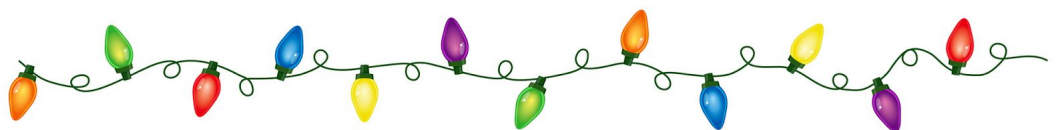
- 1) To Sir with Love – Lulu
- 2) The Rain, The Park and Other Things – The Cowsills
- 3) Incense and Peppermints – The Strawberry Alarm Clock
- 4) Daydream Believer – The Monkees
- 5) Please Love Me Forever – Bobby Vinton
- 6) Everlasting Love – Robert Knight
- 7) An Open Letter to My Teenage Son – Victor Lundberg
- 8) It Must Be Him – Vicki Carr
- 9) Expressway to Your Heart – The Soul Survivors
- 10) Watch the Flowers Grow – The Four Seasons

Please keep helping us find Classmates from the Lost List and visit the Alumni Association Web site often. The address is found in the sidebar along with your personal Class Communication Coordinator.

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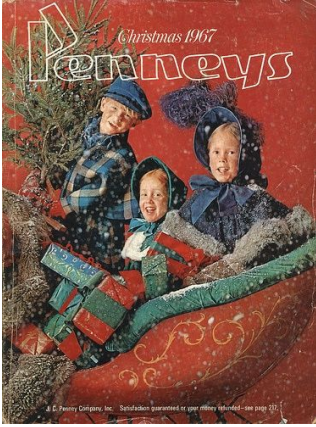
Keep In Touch,

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## Toys from 1967



Happy New Year!

Christmas were abound with so many exciting art projects, stories and celebrations. The anticipation of holiday activities made you WANT to go to school!

Remember when the stores in town wouldn't put up any Christmas decorations until the day after Thanksgiving? It was magical! Things looked so festive, the stores came alive with all the glitter, and stenciled windows with Johnson's wax and the spray on snow (which had quite a distinct smell that was definitely Christmastime!). Town was ahead of its time with the piped Christmas music. I still recall a speaker anchored to a pole and not sure how they did it, but I so loved it. The Santa house was classic and we didn't care how long we waited, we had to see Santa!

We looked forward to the mailman delivering stacks of Christmas cards! We could only open the ones that were addressed to 'and Family,' our mom opened the rest. Then we would string them around the doorways, always at an angle.

As I look back, it's hard to fathom that so many years have passed so quickly. How I wish that time machine had become a reality. Wouldn't it be great to be eight again even if it was for a day?

May your holidays be filled with love and more beautiful memories.

Cheers!  
Susan D

