



A Newsletter for the Awesome AHS Class of '59 Volume 11, Number 1 - January 2010

## 50th Reunion Reflections



In anticipation of the big day, our 50th High School Reunion Committee began their work well over a year in advance. We were going to try some new special events like the Architectural Boat Tour on the Chicago River and a Saturday luncheon in our old cafeteria to go along with our tried and true standards, the Friday Night Reception, the Arlington Heights Downtown Walking Tour, the High School Building Tour, the Saturday night Banquet and the Sunday Brunch. As the date approached, our many classmates and some spouses who had volunteered to head up activities and provide overall support were working together as if they had been doing this all their lives. Sitting here 2300 miles from all the action, it seemed like I was witnessing a team of reunion professionals at work. If you have ever watched an old time mason lay a brick wall or a master carpenter miter crown moldings, you know what I felt as I watched our classmates put our 50th High School Reunion together.

In reality, it was unanimous; our 50th Reunion was indeed the crown jewel of all our reunions. More first time attendees came to the 50th than had ever come to any previous event. Our attendance was nearly 50 percent higher than our 40th, which was our previous record. Bob Wake and Doug Leicht had found over 100 of our previously "Lost" classmates, leaving only a handful whose whereabouts are still unknown.

Arriving reunion attendees were met and welcomed by the Hospitality Committee (*Lynn Stadell Smith*). They were given welcoming hugs, as well as their reserved Memory Books and Schedule of Events. We had waiting lists for the Chicago River Architectural Boat Tour (*Sue Stevens Dunn*), a most popular event. The fun and informative AH Downtown Walking Tour also set a new record for attendees (*Dan Raupp*). Just like 50 years ago, our class nearly filled the Arlington High Cafeteria with our lunch crowd (*Nancy Deming Snell*). The "lunch ladies" with blue-hair tucked beneath nets, smiling and joking as they dished up the "hot dish" were gone, but everything else in that room seemed to have been in a time lock for 50 years. The High School Building Tour (*Jesse Nehf*) again filled the halls with laughter and the race to recognize old lockers and

classrooms. Moreover, I defy any class, anywhere, to produce a Memory Book for their 50th Reunion that is even close to the outstanding Memory Book that Jeff Pratt and our Arizona Chapter presented to us. The accolades for that work are still arriving as people read and reread that amazing hardbound collection of nearly 300 biographies and class memorabilia.

The Banquet Room was packed and beautifully decorated (*Carol Haegele Thompson*). Following a warm and touching welcome by our Class President, Jean Conroy Nemer, our Program MC's, Bob O'Neil and Diane Janssen Davenport, did a masterful job of conducting the program, which included our newly formed class choir singing an original song composed for our 50th by Diane. When our Program MCs, Bob O'Neil and Diane Janssen Davenport asked me to come up and I looked out over the huge ballroom filled with classmates, spouses and friends, it was clear that those who had worked so long and hard to make this *Golden Weekend* something very special, were successful. What beautiful people! What friendship and yes, love, was in that room! Those who were there know, and those who weren't couldn't possibly understand the spirit of our class that we all felt that night.

John Kelly, husband of Marj Ibbotson Kelly, has always said he felt more a part of our class than he ever felt of his own. John has been battling cancer for many months. When John Kelly stood up in the middle of the banquet program to thank us for the prayers, love and kindness he felt our class has shown him over the years, it was a moment I doubt few will soon forget. I only wish that those of you who have yet to feel the power of friendship our reuniting has generated, could have shared that moment.

Our 50th Reunion is over and it was a huge success thanks in no small part to the steady and skilled financial management of our class treasury by our Treasurer, Gary Snell. The only problem was that with so many people attending, it was impossible to visit with everyone—that we intend to fix with your help! Elsewhere in this Newsletter is a discussion of *what happens next*. Stay in touch by reading our outstanding Newsletter (*Pat Mahler McDonald*) and be sure to look often at our Website [arlingtonhigh59.com](http://arlingtonhigh59.com) (*Willy Neurauter*). I think we have found our stride with our great 50th Reunion. Now that we know how, let's keep on doing it for a long, long time!

*John Torrens*



# A Big Thank You all who worked on the Reunion...

Because it took a Village (as you can see) we are not listing the ladies' married names

Memory Book:	JEFF PRATT, Ann Carlisle, Roy Garr, Bill Mors, John Torrens, Marj Ibbotson, Bill Neurauder, Sue Tabacik, Patty Mahler and contributors: Carol Schoenfeld, Karen Vork, Stephanie Sheets, Sharon Beckway, Jan Lunsman, Jan Johnson, Nancy Parson, Dan Raupp, Bob Wake, June Hall, Nancy Deming, Gary Snell, Doug Leicht, Sherry Chimis, Bev Torrens & Michelle Pratt
Hotel Coordination:	GARY SNELL & MARJ IBBOTSON
Friendship Fund Patrons:	JOE PUTZ, Charlie Buckeridge and to the many others who supported the Friendship Fund
Reception:	LYNN STADELL, Carol Schoenfeld, Shari Ackerlund, Sally Carl and volunteers: Carol Haegele, Diane Ainslie, Nancy Parson, Ann Carlisle, Diane Janssen, Karen Meyer, Al Sander, Sherry Chimis, Pat Buick, Lee Magnuson, Stephanie Sheets, Marj Ibbotson, DiAnn Brown, Sue Stevens, Carol Maisel & Bob O'Neil
Calling Tree:	JOHN TORRENS, Marj Ibbotson, Roy Garr, Dick Plambeck, Jean Conroy, Jeff Pratt, Lynn Stadell, Bob Wake, Sue Stevens, Nancy Parson, Nancy Deming, Toni Minetti, Ann Carlisle, Janet Cloud, Bill Neurauder, Mary O'Connell, Diane Janssen, Carol Schoenfeld, Doug Leicht, Al Sander, Sherry Chimis, Patty Mahler
Chicago Tour:	SUE STEVENS
AH Walking Tour:	DAN RAUPP, Patty Mahler, Bill & Marlene Neurauder
HS Luncheon:	NANCY DEMING, Frances Gloden, Carol Haegele
Decorations:	CAROL HAEGELE, Frances Gloden, Sally Carl
MC(s):	BOB O'NEIL & DIANE JANSSEN - A special thank you to Jean Conroy for her warm Welcome Address
Name Tags:	BILL NEURAUTER
Quality Control:	FRANCES GLODEN & BOB WAKE
Lost Classmates:	BOB WAKE, Doug Leicht, Janice Johnson
Website:	BILL (Willy) NEURAUTER
Class Treasurer:	GARY SNELL
Newsletter:	PATTY MAHLER, JOHN TORRENS, HomeTown Committee
All-around support:	Al Sander, Doug Yates, Jeff Inkley, Charlie Buckeridge



## Where do we go from here?

When this question was posed to the assembled classmates during the banquet of our 50th Reunion, the answer received was a loud and emphatic, "STAY ON THE PRESENT COURSE."

We voted unanimously to retain the Chapter Organization and the voluntary dues structure of \$10 per year. We agreed to continue to have Mini Reunions each year and to get together as a class in a Major Reunion every 5 years. As has become so obvious with Our Class, it's not enough for us to merely have a 50th Reunion so that then we can all retire to Shady Acres and talk about how much fun we had when we were kids! Oh no darlin', that's not going to happen to the AHS Class of 59!

## Here is what's coming up for Our Class in the next year or two!

The Arizona Chapter is kicking things off with a barbeque and get-together at the home of Cathy & Roy Garr on Saturday, March 6, 2010 (*see article*). Patrick Buick & the Florida Chapter invite you to attend the Shark Tooth Festival in Venice, FL (*see article*). Jean Conroy Nemer is planning a San Diego, CA Mini Reunion in April of 2010 (*see article*). The Hometown Chapter is hosting "A Day in Lake Geneva," which includes a luncheon cruise around the lovely Lake

Geneva in Wisconsin (*see article*). The Colorado Chapter has announced that their Annual Luncheon will take place this coming summer in the Boulder/Denver area (*see article*). Judy Eich Herlache and our new Northwoods Chapter (*see article*) has already reserved hotel space for our group in Door County, WI next fall. Jeff Pratt, Roy Garr, and the Arizona Chapter are working on an Arizona Mini Reunion for 2011, while Bob Wake is exploring a variety of cruising opportunities (*see article*). Watch for the Spring Newsletter or visit our Website at: [www.arlingtonhigh59.com](http://www.arlingtonhigh59.com) to get further details on all of these and other events as they take shape.

We have spent a lot of time in the past ten years, trying to interest everyone in what we are doing as a reunited class. That we have been successful is obvious. Nevertheless, not everyone has seen fit to join in the fun. Not everyone had fun in high school, or sees value in renewing old friendships. I think I finally get that, but still, it bothers me that we can't, or won't all reunite. I wish that those of you who have held back on joining us would give us a chance to prove to you that we are real and our offer of friendship is sincere. Please, join us in just one of our events so you can see what this newfound friendship is all about.

*John Torrens*

## Arizona Chapter



My wife, Cathy, and I are inviting all Arizona and vicinity classmates of AHS '59 over for a barbeque and get-together on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at 2:00 pm.

We will serve hot sandwiches, beer, wine and soft drinks. We ask that everyone please bring a covered dish or dessert of some kind. Please RSVP by email

and if you are planning to attend and include the type of covered dish you will bring. Also, let us know if you plan to bring a spouse or significant other. Please provide me with your phone number if it is not on the class list maintained by John Torrens and Patty Mahler McDonald. I will send out address, driving, and parking instructions to those coming. Cathy and I live in central Phoenix near Missouri and Central. Hope you can join us!

Roy Garr, 602-616-4976, [garrroy@cox.net](mailto:garrroy@cox.net)

*Roy & Cathy Garr*



## Florida Chapter



Circle April 9-11, 2010 on your Calendar, because you are invited to the SHARK TOOTH FESTIVAL in Venice, FL.

The City of Venice, FL in Sarasota County has been named the "Shark's Tooth Capital of the World" because of the millions of shark teeth that wash up on their sandy white beaches. The Shark's Tooth Festival takes place each Spring against the back drop of Venice's best shark tooth hunting beach, where fossil collectors from around the Southeast display and sell sharks teeth and other prehistoric fossils. More than 100 artists from around the State market their original work. Food vendors serve up delicious dishes from seafood to BBQ. Live entertainment is on stage throughout the Festival.

My home will be open for your relaxation and pleasure—13150 Fernando Street, Venice, FL 34293. If you enjoy good conversation, great food and fun in the sun, this is the place to be. Bring your golf game; I live at Sarasota National and the Gulf Coast is another mile or so for fishin' and stuff. We will dine at Sharky's on the Pier. The Airport and another golf course, where you don't need a tee time, is right across the street from Sharky's. [profpb@gmail.com](mailto:profpb@gmail.com)

*Patrick Buick*



## West Coast/Arizona Chapters



All West Coast and Arizona Chapter friends are invited to a mid-week gathering in San Diego, CA on April 27 & 28, 2010.

On Tuesday, April 27, we'll meet at Jean Conroy Nemer's home in the evening for pizza and drinks to plan activities for the next day. There is lots to do in the San Diego area—free tickets to the Midway Aircraft Museum for those interested in the military; San Diego Zoo; Old Town, where San Diego got its start; Scripps Aquarium and Salk Institute in La Jolla; Seaport village; Ft. Rosecrans National Park and National Cemetery; San Diego Bay cruises—plus a lot of other venues.

Wednesday night, April 28, we'll have a group dinner at a Mexican restaurant in Old Town.




There are many hotels/motels in San Diego, from budget to high-end, which are very close to all the attractions listed. To check out what's available on a good website, I suggest: [www.signonsandiego.com](http://www.signonsandiego.com).

Southwest Airlines has many great deals to fly into San Diego and especially low prices on Tuesday flights. Of course, you may want to drive. For more information, please call Jean at 619-795-0010, or email at [nemer@cox.net](mailto:nemer@cox.net).

*Hope you can make it, Jean*

## HomeTown Chapter

The HomeTown Chapter invites everyone to join in the fun as we take a leisurely luncheon cruise around beautiful Lake Geneva in WI.

What:	LUNCHEON BOAT CRUISE on Lake Geneva in WI
When:	Thursday, June 24, 2010
Where:	Riviera Dock (downtown Lake Geneva)
Time:	Departure time is 11:30 AM (Meet at 11:00 AM)
Price:	\$41.78/person
Menu:	 <p>Newport Chicken Chilled Assorted Relishes Fruit Platter Chef-selected Starch Vegetable Of The Day Fresh Rolls Dessert, Coffee or Tea</p>
The party continues after the cruise:	Tom & Carol (Haegele) Thompson invite you to join in dessert and conversation at their summer cottage just 4 miles from Lake Geneva. Directions will be given once you sign up.
To Reserve your spot: RSVP by May 24, 2010	Send your check made out to "AHS Class of '59" to: Carol Thompson 1145 South Westmore-Meyers Road Lombard, IL 60148 <a href="mailto:carolthompson1@prodigy.net">carolthompson1@prodigy.net</a>

If you wish to spend more time in the charming town of Lake Geneva, WI, there are a number of hotels in the area: [www.lakegenewawi.com](http://www.lakegenewawi.com)



## Colorado Chapter



The Colorado Chapter welcomes you to our luncheon in Bolder in the Summer of 2010. If a trip to Colorado is in your plans, please email June and Jim Timmermann with the dates so we can arrange to have you join us. Specific plans to follow in the Spring Newsletter. [eaglenest62@earthlink.net](mailto:eaglenest62@earthlink.net)

*Hope to see you this summer,  
June & Jim Timmermann*

## Northwoods Chapter



At the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion, I was so amazed at learning that a couple of classmates, Diane Ainsle Diederich, Dave Zimmerman and their respective spouses Bob and Esther live not too far from me in Northern Wisconsin that I, tongue-in-cheek, suggested to John Torrens that we have a Northwoods Chapter. He said that was a great idea and asked what I was planning for the first event. Well, Linda and I did have a dinner with Diane and Bob and then met Dave and Esther at a local bar along with some neighbors of ours who, before they moved to the lake, lived across the street from Dave and Ester in Neenah, WI for many years. It was really enjoyable to continue old friendships that were renewed at the reunion and it sounded good to try to get together more often than the yearly reunions. All classmates are welcome and those in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin who are interested in some type of picnic or whatever, please contact Fred Fischer at, [fischerfw@usa.net](mailto:fischerfw@usa.net).



**Join Us  
in Picturesque  
Door County, WI**



Our newly formed Northwoods Chapter is off to a colorful start by hosting a mini-reunion in Door County, Wisconsin next September and if Mother Nature cooperates, the foliage may be in its early stages of color. The Door County peninsula is a unique rural area with small villages that has Green Bay (*the bay, not the city*) on one side and Lake Michigan on the other, with art galleries, state and county parks, a lot of small shops and magnificent scenery.

**Stone Harbor Resort**  
107 North First Avenue  
Sturgeon Bay WI 54235 USA  
Phone: 920-746-0700 - 877-746-0700 - Fax: 920-746-1337  
Named "Best Lakeshore Resort" at the  
Wisconsin Governor's Conference on Tourism in March 2008.



Rooms have been reserved at the Stone Harbor Resort in Sturgeon Bay for the third weekend in September, 16-18, 2010, [www.stoneharbor-resort.com/](http://www.stoneharbor-resort.com/). The rate at Stone Harbor is \$145, but this is for rooms that normally run about \$250. For those who would like to stay somewhere else, there are many motels/B&Bs in the area and can be found at the Door County Visitor Bureau, [www.doorcounty.com](http://www.doorcounty.com), or the Wisconsin Lodging Directory, [www.WisconsinLodging.info](http://www.WisconsinLodging.info). **The Stone Harbor will be "Reunion Central" and should be contacted directly for reservations—be sure to mention the AHS Class of '59.** Lodging at other places will also be on a do-it-yourself basis. Look for more information at, [www.doorcounty.com/](http://www.doorcounty.com/) and in the spring newsletter. To help us prepare, please let Judy Eich Herlache know if you plan to attend: 920-823-2000 or [jherlache@hughes.net](mailto:jherlache@hughes.net).

*Thanks,  
Judy & Fred*





## Bags are packed - Destination TBD

When John asked at the Reunion dinner if we wanted to cruise again, someone said, "yes, every spring and fall." Recently, I sent a questionnaire to the people who have shown interest in the past, or have gone on at least one of the three cruises with the Class of '59 (*Inside Passage to Alaska, Panama Canal, or Hawaii*). Early interest shows our next class cruise destination will be a Canada/New England Cruise (*Fall-late Sept to early October*), or an Eastern Caribbean Cruise (*only variables are cost and hurricane season*). We had also discussed Bermuda, the Western and Southern Caribbean, the Great Lakes, or the Mexican Riviera. As the Newsletter is going to press, we have not selected a date or destination.

Depending upon interest from you, we will put together a cruise as soon as most of us can and want to go. Let me know if you are interested in possibly joining our next voyage. If you are, I'll put you on the email list for future cruise notices. I welcome your comments; contact me at [bob@thewakes.com](mailto:bob@thewakes.com) or call me at 630-337-6019.

**Bob Wake**

### Please Note...

If you would like to purchase the two 50th Class Reunion pictures, we have 4 (sets) remaining. The photos are free, but there will be a \$5 mailing fee.

We also have 32 Memory Books remaining at \$37.50 each, which includes cost and mailing.



THIS WILL BE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS. Please contact Gary Snell at [snell604@wowway.com](mailto:snell604@wowway.com) or call 847-259-2963.

### APPEAL FOR DUES

Our coffers are a bit low following our record breaking 50th Reunion. During the banquet, we asked if you wanted to continue the "voluntary" dues program of a suggested \$10 per year. The response was unanimous, so we are again appealing to you to support our class and our activities with your periodic contributions. It takes close to \$500 to put out a six-page newsletter. Three newsletters per year gives you some idea of our need. Please support this work going forward. Please pay your dues. Thank you for your continuing generosity. Send your checks made payable to the **AHS Class of '59** to our Treasurer, Gary Snell, at 604 Can Dota, Mt. Prospect, IL 60056.

### WEBSITE INSIGHT

Visit our website at:  
[www.arlingtonhigh59.com](http://www.arlingtonhigh59.com)



Please send us your Reunion photos so we can share them on our website—especially, any group or Saturday night dinner table photos.

We also welcome photos and information from past Chapter events or personal announcements you'd like to share with all of us. You can contact me at: [willy2806-ahs59@yahoo.com](mailto:willy2806-ahs59@yahoo.com). If you don't have email, my address is 1604 South Meyers Road, Lombard, IL 60148.

**Willy Neumaier**

**Congratulations to RON & PAT MARKS** on the birth of their first grandchild, **Travis Ronald Tiedman**.

Travis weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces and was born on May 1, 2009 to their daughter, Erin Marks, and Travis Tiedman.

And to **LYNN STADELL SMITH** on the birth of her grandson, **Nathan Michael**, born October 28, 2009, weighing 7 lbs. 4 oz. His parents are Lynn's daughter, Lisa, and her husband, Eddie Monzon. Eddie is a fireman in Chicago and Lisa is a nurse at the University of Chicago.



### IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS GET WELL WISHES TO:

To our classmate's mate, **JOHN KELLY**, husband of **MARJ (IBBOTSON) KELLY**, who is fighting cancer.

To our classmate, **CAROL (MAISEL) CRANE**, who is battling cancer.

To our classmate, **NANCY PARSON EWART**, recovering nicely from foot surgery on October 14, 2009.

To our classmate, **SHARI ACKERLUND JOBST**, who is recovering beautifully from knee surgery.

To our classmate, **BARBARA CONKLIN SOMMER**, who is battling breast cancer.

To our classmate, **KAREN VORK MOIR**, who recently finished treatment (*chemo and radiation*) for small cell lung cancer. We are happy to report that her tumor has disappeared.

### Our Deepest Sympathy and Prayers go out to:



Our deepest sympathy to the family of our classmate and friend, **AL SANDER**. Born Jan. 14, 1941, in Elmhurst, to Alfred H. and Hilda (nee Moss) Sander, he died at his home in Huntley, IL on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2010. Al graduated from Arlington High School in 1959; from Bradley University in 1963, with a degree in civil engineering; and from Illinois Institute of Technology in 1988, with a master's degree in public administration. He served in the Navy Mobile Construction Battalion 6 from Sept. 1963 to Sept. 1965. He constructed projects in Roto, Spain; Sigonela, Sicily; Ross Station and McMurdo, Antarctica and in Argentina, Newfoundland. Al was employed by the Village of Arlington Heights for 31 years in the positions of construction engineer, director of engineering and public works director. He finished his professional career working seven years for Mackie Consultants, Rosemont, as senior civil engineer, assisting the owner in many diverse projects. Al was deeply involved in the Chicago Metro Chapter of the American Public Works Association and served in many elected positions, including president of both the Suburban Branch and the Metro Chapter. He received several Local Awards and was selected by his peers as a Top 10 Public Work's Leader in North America in 1984. He is survived by his wife, Virginia Sherrill (nee Adelsbach) Sander; his children, Kirsten (Brian) and Karlin (Brian) Downes; his stepchildren, Kathleen (Walter) Stoneski, Ken (Suzanne) Beres, Debbie (Scott) Sanderson and Michael (Suzanne) Beres; and his 12 grandchildren. Al was preceded in death by his parents; and his sister, Joan Thill. He will be remembered with a smile on his face and his willingness to help others. Al has worked on every Class of '59 reunion committee since the first and was a valuable asset to our HomeTown Chapter.



Our deepest sympathy to the family of our classmate and friend, **EDWARD E. BOETTGER** of Cherokee Village, AK. Ed passed away on Feb. 9, 2009. He served in the U.S. Army in the early 1960s as a radar repair specialist. Upon return to civilian life, he became a scale repairman working in Arkansas, first in the Little Rock area and after that in the eastern part of the state. After moving to Cherokee Village, he became a member of Peace Lutheran Church and served as a trustee in recent years. He is survived by his mother, Elsie Keefe; and a sister Lois Boettger.





Our deepest sympathy to the family of our friend and classmate, **JANICE JOHNSON BRAZEAU** of Brooksville, FL. Jan passed away on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. Janice moved to Florida in 1973 from Round Lake Heights, IL. Prior to her retirement, she worked as an office manager for the Parole Division with the State of Florida. Janice enjoyed her family, friends, reading and serving as the original Webmaster for the AHS Class of '59. She was a Christian by faith. Survivors include her two daughters, Maureen Sullivan and her husband Marc; Cheryl Bass and her husband Curtis; her son, Steven Brazeau; her sister, Barbara Johnson; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Her parents, Mindolf and Elizabeth Johnson and a brother, Roger Johnson, preceded her in death. Jan worked hard putting our Website together and brought us into the computer age as we struggled in those early years to reunite our class. She was instrumental in finding many classmates who were on our "Lost" list.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of our classmate and friend, **Commander ROBERT MARTIN USN Retired** of Athens, GA. Bob had been on our Lost List until recently when we received a note from our classmate, Karen Brna Klinka informing us of his death.



To our classmate, **JANET (MARTINI) GRAF**, and family on the death of Janet's brother, **Peter N. Martini** (75) of Buffalo Grove, IL. Peter passed away on April 7, 2009. A proud veteran, Mr. Martini served in the Navy during the Korean War. He recently retired from the Chilay Corp. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary Council in Arlington Heights. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn; four children; eight grandchildren and his sister (our classmate), Janet.

To our classmate, **MARY K. (OLSON) O'CONNELL**, and family on the death of Mary's mom, **Marion O'Connell** (94), of Rolling Meadows, IL. Mrs. O'Connell passed away on April 18, 2009. Mrs. O'Connell spent her childhood in Arlington Heights before the streets were paved and there was still a livery stable. She graduated from Arlington High School in 1932 and went on to become a beautician and part owner of the Arlington Downtown Beauty shop. She and her husband, William P. O'Connell made several trips to Ireland and took extensive road trips here at home. Both Mrs. O'Connell and Mary were featured in the documentary film about Arlington High School, "The Lady in Red." Mrs. O'Connell is survived by her two children, Mary and Michael, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

To our classmate, **KATHY GRUNDHOEFER** and family on the death of Kathy's sister **Gail L. Hart** of Arlington Heights. Gail passed away on Monday, Sept. 21, 2009, at ManorCare of Rolling Meadows. She was employed by the Village of Arlington Heights for over 30 years before retiring in 2002. She enjoyed bowling, golf, gardening and traveling. Her survivors include three children, seven grandchildren, her sister (our classmate) Katherine Grundhoeffer Wilson and brother David Grundhoeffer.

To our classmate, **ROLAND KEHE** and family on the death of Roland's mother, **Minerva A. Kehe** (94) of Arlington Heights. Mrs. Kehe passed away on September 24, 2009 at the Lutheran Home. She was the wife of the late Raymond W., mother of Roland and James (Linda) Kehe, grandmother of five, great-grandmother of twelve, sister of the late Erma Loeding and Loraine Kehe.

To our classmate, **JEANNE MODJESKE SCHODLTER**, and family on the death of Jeanne's mother, **Gertrude Modjeske** (99) of Arlington Heights. Mrs. Modjeske passed away on January 13, 2010.

A consummate homemaker for more than 70 years, Mrs. Modjeske dedicated herself to helping others, always ready to feed or lend a helping hand to family, friends and neighbors. At the young-at-heart age of 94, she became a volunteer for Willow Creek Community Church, "working" each Wednesday to process mailings or prepare for conferences. She also volunteered for Northwest Community Hospital, lovingly knitting caps for the newborns and earning awards for thousands of hours of service in the process. Mrs. Modjeske is survived by two daughters, our classmate, Jeanne (Roy) Schodlter and Dee (George) Bigham, eight grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

## Class of '59 - Where are you now?

As you may imagine, staying in touch with everyone is THE KEY to staying successfully reunited as a class. Trying to keep up on where you are and where you are going is nearly a full time job. You could make it sooo much easier for us if you would just remember to let Pat or me know when you move, change your email address or your phone number. There is ALWAYS a form in each Newsletter that you can use for letting us know of your change. Please, whenever you make a change, just fill out the form below and send it to one of us. Thank you,

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## Please Keep in Touch!

### CARDINAL CLASSMATES '59

Maiden/Last Name:		
First Name:		
Married Name:		
Spouse's Name:		
Home Address:		
Phone Number:	# of Children:	
Email Address:	# of Grandchildren:	
Occupation:		

Return to: John Torrens  
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## Mark Your Calendar!

DATE	EVENT
March 6, 2010	Barbeque at Roy Garr's in Phoenix, AZ
April 9-11, 2010	Shark Tooth Festival, Venice, FL
April 27-28, 2010	Mini-Reunion in San Diego, CA
June 24, 2010	Lake Geneva, WI Luncheon Cruise
Summer, 2010	Luncheon in Bolder, CO
September 16-18, 2010	Mini-Reunion in Door County, WI
To be determined...	Cruise with the Class of '59



Ladies who lunch...

On the Tuesday after the Reunion, these seven ladies met for a lovely luncheon in the quaint Village of Long Grove, IL.

Standing (L to R): Lynn Stadell Smith, Carol Schoenfeld Bohne, Nancy Parson Ewart, and Nancy Deming Snell.

Sitting (L to R): Patty Mahler McDonald, Sherry Chimis Hilger and Shari Ackerslund Jobst.

PMC