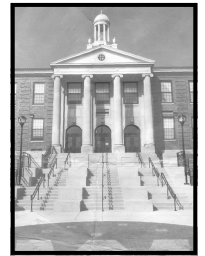




# **COME CELEBRATE!**

## **Madison West High School Class of 1961** **50th Reunion Celebration**



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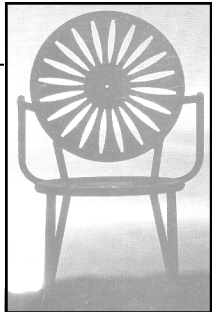
**August 12-14, 2011**

**2011**

Hey Regents!

It's that time again; time to get together and reminisce—to share memories with our classmates. It's been 50 years since we were all at West, walking the halls, slamming locker doors and singing Go Regents Go! So, to celebrate those years, let's come together to talk, share and PARTY!

The reunion committee has planned several great events to commemorate the occasion. Join your West High '61 classmates for this special weekend in August.



### **The weekend schedule looks like this:**

**Friday Night, August 12th**— Get Reacquainted Party overlooking the Terrace and Lake Mendota in the Main Lounge on the 2nd Floor—University of Wisconsin Memorial Union. 800 Langdon St.  
Munchies provided along with a cash bar. 7p.m.- 11p.m.

**Saturday Morning, August 13th** - Tour of West - 10am - meet at the Ash St. entrance.

**Saturday Noon, August 13th** — meet on the Wisconsin Union Terrace — optional lunch and walk or ride out to Picnic Point.



**Saturday Night, August 13th** —  
Cocktails, silent auction, dinner and conversation at  
**Monona Terrace Convention Center**

5:30 p.m. Cash bar

7:00 p.m. Sit-down dinner.



Followed by a short program.

Rob Engelke will be our MC for the evening.

Dinner menu: a Steak and Chicken Combo or  
Vegetarian Egg Plant Parmesan

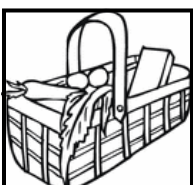


**Sunday morning, August 14th** — 11 a.m. ....

Picnic/Brunch at Hoyt Park. A casual gathering at the shelter house. Sandwiches, chips, fruit, etc.

A final chance to talk and be with friends.

There is a rumor that the Rhythmaires may play!!



**Remember to check out: [www.madisonwest61.com](http://www.madisonwest61.com)**

*Lost Classmate List on Reverse side ⇨⇨⇨⇨*

## More Activities to Consider

The cost of the weekend's events is \$65 per person or \$130 per couple.

This includes the Friday night party at the Memorial Union and the Saturday evening dinner at Monona Terrace.

The Sunday picnic at Hoyt Park is an extra \$6.00 per person.

It is time to re-connect with former classmates.

### CALL YOUR FRIENDS.....

Come and spend time together. If you have lost touch with someone let us know. We probably know where they are.

For information contact Karen Hult Scheele at [bkscheele@att.net](mailto:bkscheele@att.net) or Peggy Ahlgren at [pahlgren@merr.com](mailto:pahlgren@merr.com)



**Extra Options:** We would also like to help coordinate other activities.

Golf: Dan Schuette has volunteered to organize a Friday morning golf event— [dschuette07@gmail.com](mailto:dschuette07@gmail.com)  
Tour of West High. Saturday morning 10am. Meet at the Ash Street entrance.

Look for our "Class of '61" brick amid many familiar names and memories at that entrance.

Farmer's Market: Early Saturday morning around Capitol Square. [www.dcfm.org](http://www.dcfm.org).

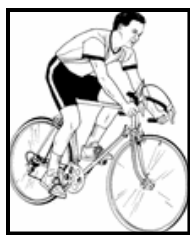
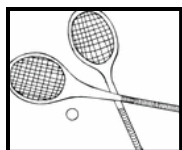
Checkout the new Overture Center, [www.overturecenter.com](http://www.overturecenter.com), don't miss the new Union South, [www.newunion.wisc.edu](http://www.newunion.wisc.edu), the fabulous renovation of the Reading Room in Historical Society's 1900 Building at the foot of State St. [www.wisconsinhistory.org](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org), & The University Ave. Discovery Center, [www.uadc.org](http://www.uadc.org)  
Visit the Beer Garden at Capital Brewery in Middleton. [capital-brewery.com](http://capital-brewery.com)

Visit Wollersheim Winery near Sauk City for some great wine tasting. [www.wollersheim.com](http://www.wollersheim.com)

The Betty Lou—Friday noon -lunch on Lake Mendota -Chartered—need 25 people. [www.bettyloucruises.com](http://www.bettyloucruises.com)

Dave Marsh is hoping to organize the Randall and Shorewood kids—contact David at [dmarsh@usc.edu](mailto:dmarsh@usc.edu)

Contact Ralph or Libby Barnard Farmer if you are interested in these or any other activities. [landrfarmer@charter.net](mailto:landrfarmer@charter.net)



On Saturday night we would like to do a small **SILENT AUCTION**

to support our Class of '61 Educational Endowment Fund.

Last December we sponsored the West HOUSE Retreat for 100 kids and 20 teachers from West. It was a great success!

*Read more about it on the flip side of this page.*

For this event we need items to auction. Perhaps something representative of your area. Remember to bring a check so you can take something special home. Pete Bauer may donate one of his wonderful driftwood sculptures. Also there will be pottery, glass and hopefully some great knits, photos and jewelry. Contact Peggy if you can help or donate items for the auction. [Pahlgren@merr.com](mailto:Pahlgren@merr.com)

*Info on the West HOUSE Retreat on the Reverse ⇨⇨⇨*



RSVP FORM— RETURN TO KAREN HULT SCHEELE

## West High School Class of 1961

50th Class Reunion Celebration

Registration Form

Deadline June 15, 2011



From: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse or guest's name: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We wouldn't miss it! \_\_\_\_\_ (\$65/person; \$130/couple) -Includes both Fri & Sat nights.

Sorry I can't attend\_\_\_\_ Have enclosed address information\_\_\_\_ and sent a short bio  
to Ed Grob at pctutor@charter.net\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like a copy of the addresses of classmates of the Class of '61 sent to me if I am  
unable to attend the reunion \_\_\_\_\_.

I/We will be joining the group at the UW Memorial Union at 800 Langdon St.  
Friday night, August 12 \_\_\_\_\_ (# of persons)

Cost for Friday night only is \$10 per person \_\_\_\_\_ (# of persons—Friday night only)

I/We will join the Tour of West Saturday morning\_\_\_\_\_.

I/We will be at Monona Terrace for dinner on Saturday, August 13 \_\_\_\_\_ (# of persons)

Entrée choices: Beef filet/Chicken breast combo \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian Egg Plant Parmesan\_\_\_\_\_

I/We will be at the 11.a.m. Brunch at Hoyt Park on Sunday, August 14\_\_\_\_ (# of persons)  
This event is an extra \$6.00 person.

Please send information on hotels\_\_\_\_\_ We will reserve a block of rooms  
at several area hotels.

### RESERVATION DEADLINE: JUNE 15, 2011

Make checks payable to: West High Class of 1961 Reunion

Mail the reservation form and check. Remember to look at the list of activities  
on the back of this sheet and mark anything that might interest you.

Send to: Karen Hult Scheele  
4814 Bayfield Terrace  
Madison, WI 53705  
608.238.4430  
bkscheele@att.net

\*Also, please remember to feel free to add an extra  
contribution to help underwrite printing costs, mailing expenses,  
dinners for former teachers, snacks before dinner, dessert, etc.  
This would be a special gift to enhance the entire reunion  
weekend.

**\*\*Also think AUCTION ITEMS!**

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LOOKING BACK/LOOKING FORWARD BIO & THOUGHTS

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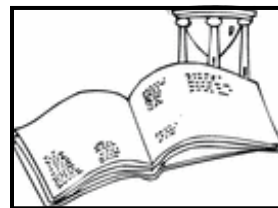
# GO REGENTS GO! 1961-2011



## West High Class of 1961

### Classmate Update

*Reggie says: "Here are a few suggestions of information to send to Ed." Roar, roar, roar!*



**No addresses, phone numbers or email addresses will appear on the web.**

For an email you will need to type all your info into a note to send to Ed's email address.

Please put your bio and thoughts in a paragraph separated from address etc. data.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/significant other's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

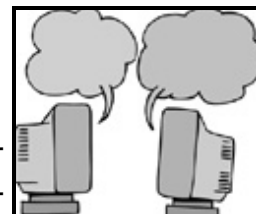
Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Children (name and ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Grandchildren (name and ages) \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a few sentences or thoughts regarding the last few years, retirement, upcoming moves or other changes — we don't want to lose touch for our 55th reunion!



**\*\*Send a new or updated bio and photos to:**

our webmaster Ed Grob, [pctutor@charter.net](mailto:pctutor@charter.net)  
or mail to Ed @ P.O. Box 976. Roscoe, IL 61073-0976.

See what everyone has been doing.

It certainly is a challenging and interesting phase in our lives.

We will have any updated reunion info on the website.

Check out our class website: [www.madisonwest61.com](http://www.madisonwest61.com)

And again remember that no addresses, phone numbers or email addresses will appear on the web. They are just to help keep our records updated.

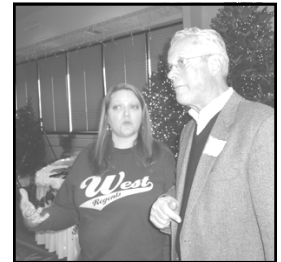
## December 2010 - West HOUSE Student Voice Retreat



Roberto Rodriguez

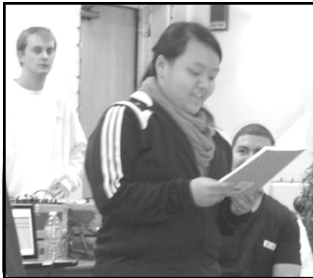
*The Key to change is creating the space for young people to imagine a better way of life and support them so they can act on that vision.—S. Ginwright.*

This year's Student Voice Retreat, attended by over 100 students in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and 20 West staff, focused on helping students learn how to use their voice for positive leadership. The retreat was facilitated by Roberto Rodriguez, a Madison Memorial graduate who now runs The Good Life organization in Chicago. Roberto uses the story of hip hop and history of music to encourage students to use their voices for power in creative endeavors.



Jenni Vondrak - Jeff Bartell

The students spent the morning exploring how other youth cultures have found their voice and used it for positive change. Groups of students and staff spent time processing who they choose to surround themselves with and how that impacts the choices they make. They also talked about the labels that others put on them, versus how they really feel about themselves and how they can use their words to create a positive environment in our school and community.



Original poetry reading.

In the afternoon, the students had a chance to work with several local artists in creative workshops (songwriting, creating beats, movement, poetry/creative writing, or visual art). Students then were able to showcase their creations with all the attendees. There was a stunning slam poetry "battle" about the difference between "schooling" and "education", an energetic display of dance moves learned to release stress, and an impressive song written by 15 students about the power of Youth Voice.

Here is what some of the students and staff thought of the day:

*"We should do more activities like this, and let the whole school come!"*

*"We need to be able to have discussions like this more often!"*

*"This helps really understand each other and will make our school a better place."*



Roberto & Ralph Farmer



*"West is full of diversity other than race, and the ability to understand each other is time consuming, but is helpful to support those who feel helpless."*

*"I think doing this more often could really help students understand who they are and feel closer to their peers and teachers."*

On a scale of 1 to 4, 86% of the students gave the retreat a 4 in terms of enjoying the retreat and being able to express their ideas honestly and comfortably.

We are in the process of creating a video of the day to be used in professional development with staff that we will be sure to share with all of the generous donors of the Class of 1961. In these financial times, we would not have the ability to provide opportunities like this for our students. We truly appreciate your generous donations as well as your consideration to give opportunities to the students that will be the future leaders of our community.

Submitted by Jenni Vondrak—REaL Grant Coordinator—Madison West High School—April 2011

## Optional Activities

Please check any activities that you might be interested in

We will see if others are interested

And what can be arranged.



- ☐ Golf - Friday morning with Dan Schuette
- ☐ Farmer's Market around the Capitol Square—early Saturday morning
- ☐ Saturday morning—10am—tour of Madison West High School
- ☐ Saturday noon — Join others for lunch on the Memorial Union Terrace and think about going out to Picnic Point.
- ☐ Saturday noon—the Randall-Shorewood group— Memorial Union Terrace
- ☐ Checking out the Overture Center—State St & 1 S. Pinckney
- ☐ Wandering through the recently completed Union South near Camp Randall
- ☐ Visiting the fabulous 2.9 million dollar restoration/renovation of the second floor Reading Room in the Historical Society. Built in 1900.
- ☐ I would be interested in a guided tour of the Historical Society Building and Reading Room sometime Friday or Saturday.
- ☐ Visiting the Wollersheim Winery near Sauk City for a little wine tasting.
- ☐ Visiting the Capitol Brewery in Middleton and checking out their Beer Garden.
- ☐ Friday noon Enjoying lunch and a 2 hour cruise on the *Betty Lou* around Lake Mendota. Chartered. Need a minimum of 25 people. About \$35
- ☐ I might have something for the Silent Auction.

Any suggestions?? — (i.e. tennis, etc. )- Write them in.

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Call your friends, encourage them to come

See what they would like to do!

MAKE A little GROUP or JUST COME!

