



**Wauwatosa West HS - Class of 1967
50th Reunion Committee
PO Box 172
Milwaukee WI 53201-0172**

March 17, 2017

Dear Classmates,

This is a class wide mailing, to invite you to participate in our upcoming 50th Anniversary Reunion. Our goal is to organize the celebration to make it interesting, rewarding and entertaining for all who participate.

Of course, **the best way to participate is to attend the celebration events** we have planned for our anniversary weekend, June 9-11, 2017, and to contribute to and receive a copy of our 50th Reunion book. Even if you previously said that you don't want to come you can still change your mind. Our class is long overdue for a reunion, as we haven't had one in 30 years. This may be our last opportunity ever to celebrate our high school experience. We strongly urge participation by all our classmates, but we will respect your individual decision.

Ticket Orders

Tickets for our main event, the evening banquet on Saturday June 10, 2017 have been on sale for a little over a month. It was simply announced on our www.mywauwatosa.com web site, nothing more. Sales have been going well, especially the past couple of weeks. We are confident that we are well on the way to a very successful event. People who have purchased tickets already, have heavily favored printing out a paper order form and mailing it with a check. So, **Attachment #1** to this message is a printed ticket order form for you.

“50 Years Later” Stories

Even if you are unable to attend our events you can participate by sharing your story of life since high school, with us, and getting a copy of the keepsake “50 Years Later” memory book for our class. Unfortunately, participation in the memory book has not been going quite as smoothly as the ticket sales have. This project was announced in a web site update back in October. As of today, almost 5 months later, we only have 33 out of a potential 251 stories completed. Worse yet, 15 of our completed stories came from deceased classmates who had a good enough obituary or testimonial to make a story. So, only 18 out of 222 living persons in our class have completed and submitted their stories thus far. We can, and will, do better than that. The online tools that are provided on <http://www.mywauwatosa.com/memory-book-input> to **“Upload Photos”** and **“Tell My Story”** work well, but evidently don't inspire much confidence in many of us “boomers”.

So, **Attachment #2** to this message is a printed story form for you to fill in and return in the mail along with a recent photo (color preferred). Please keep in mind that you must keep copies of what you send in, as we will not assume responsibility to return any items mailed to us. Also, be sure to make blank copies of the story form before you start to fill it in, in case you mess up. Finally, be advised that errors are much more likely to occur in processing and formatting paper input to book articles. You may very well find that the online tools are easier to use than filling in the paper, especially if your kids give you help. We want stories about all of you. **Attachment #3** contains detailed story instructions.

Reunion Weekend Festivities

- **Friday June 9, 2017 – 6:00PM, Cocktail Reception** details pending
- **Saturday June 10-2017**
 - **School Tour – 1:00 PM, 11100 W. Center St.**
 - **Banquet – 5:00 PM, Radisson Hotel, 2303 N Mayfair Rd.**
- **Sunday June 11, 2017 – Select small group activities**
 - **Possible choices include Picnic at Hoyt Park, Golf outing, Milwaukee County Zoo, Milwaukee Art Museum** (world famous architecture on the lakefront), **Pride Fest** (at Summerfest lakefront grounds, Milwaukee festival food and drink, excellence in music and entertainment), and **Locust St. Festival** (re-enact your youth among local musicians and artists).
 - **Express any specific interest at www.mywauwatosa.com/contact** for an optional Sunday activity or write it in on your ticket order or story submission to start group formation.

Updates on our reunion celebration weekend events will be announced on the www.mywauwatosa.com web site, Facebook page www.facebook.com/WWHSRoom22/ and by postcard mailing to those who have purchased tickets.

Finally, for those of you who are going to travel to attend our celebration, **Attachment #4** with hotel information has been included. We urge you to act early on your reservation(s) as Milwaukee hotel space can fill fast on weekends during this time of the year. You can expect nice weather, as historical averages for these dates are 74° hi and 55° lo with no more than a chance of scattered showers.

On behalf of the Hospitality Committee I would like to extend our sincere and cordial invitation to join us on the “Golden Anniversary” of our commencement, and in the celebration of our lives since then.

Tom Rutenbeck
Your Reunion Organizer

Wauwatosa West HS – Class of 1967

Order Tickets - 50th Reunion Banquet,



Saturday, June 10, 2017, 5:00PM
Radisson Hotel
2303 N Mayfair Rd.
Wauwatosa WI 53226

Menu

Select one (1) entrée for each guest:

Salad, Starter, Soup, Dessert, Coffee, Iced Tea or Water included with all entrees.

Entrées

Poultry

Chicken Breast Artichoke

chicken breast stuffed with artichoke and parmesan cheese, topped with a white wine cream sauce, served with a linguine and asparagus blend

Seafood

Grilled Mahi-Mahi

8 oz. presented with pineapple salsa, jasmine rice and green beans

Beef

Top Sirloin Steak

10 oz. served with caramelized onions and sliced mushrooms, served with roasted baby Yukon potatoes and glazed carrots

Special Dietary Requirements

Submit this form and a check for \$70 ea. to:

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PO Box 172

Milwaukee WI 53201-0172

(Fill in form on reverse side)

Attachment #1

Last Name used in HS *

Present Name *

Contact Information (mailing, phone, email) *

Guest? Name? *

Menu choice for yourself *

- Poultry
- Seafood
- Beef
- Special Requirement (please indicate dietary restrictions below)

Menu choice for guest

- Poultry
- Seafood
- Beef
- Special Requirement (please indicate dietary restrictions below)

Dietary restrictions *

- None
- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Kosher
- Gluten-free
- Other:

Wauwatosa West HS – Class of 1967

50th Years Later - My Story



You are free to share as much or as little as you see fit. The Reunion Committee will treat all stories collected as personal intellectual property, compiled for the personal use and enjoyment of Wauwatosa West High School, Class of 1967 members only.

These files will not be freely shared with the general public.

Memory Book Input - Where did all the years go?

Last name used in High School * _____

Present name (First, Last) * _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip * _____

Phone (xxx-xxx-xxxx) _____

Email _____

Spouse's Name or significant other _____

Children _____

Grandchildren, Great grandchildren _____

Schools attended before Tosa West _____

Schools attended after Tosa West _____

Required response*

Attachment #2

Career/Work Experience (if retired from where)

Other significant experiences from past 50 years *

Current Interests *

Favorite memories of Tosa West

Instructions for your "50 Years Later" Book Entry

The keepsake book will be published electronically to avoid printing costs, and to improve the quality and vibrancy of the document. If absolutely needed or desired, a printed copy can be obtained, at your expense, by presenting the file to your local business copy center.

Content will consist of:

- "Then" and "Now" pictures for each class member.
 - A story for each class member. Please feel free to share as much or as little as you feel appropriate.
- Recommended outline for your story:

- Name, then and now
- Address, City, State Zip
- Phone
- eMail address
- Spouse, significant others, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren
- Schools attended **before**, and **after** Wauwatosa West
- Career/Work experience. If retired from where?
- Other significant experiences of past 50 years
- Current interests
- Favorite memories of Wauwatosa West

You will be asked to provide the content, in a format that can be put on the standard Windows clipboard for inclusion in the document. **Don't panic!** You can do this even if you have a MAC computer, or no computer at all. Here are two methods:

- 1) If you have access to a computer, the **easiest way to do this** is to use the "**Upload Photos**" and "**Tell My Story**" tools provided on <http://www.mywauwatosa.com/memory-book-input>. These tools work on a MAC or portable devices too.
- 2) Use the **U.S. Mail** to send me a paper manuscript and photo prints. Address to:
Wauwatosa West HS - Class of 1967
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All photo prints and manuscripts must be **copies**, as I will not assume responsibility to return any items mailed. Copy and photo print services are available at virtually any Walgreens or business store with a copy center. Hand-written manuscripts are welcome to the extent that you have neat and legible handwriting that would lend individualized beauty to the book. In such cases, **I will be more than glad to scan and convert the content** to suitable digital format for input in the final product.

Upload Tool for Pictures

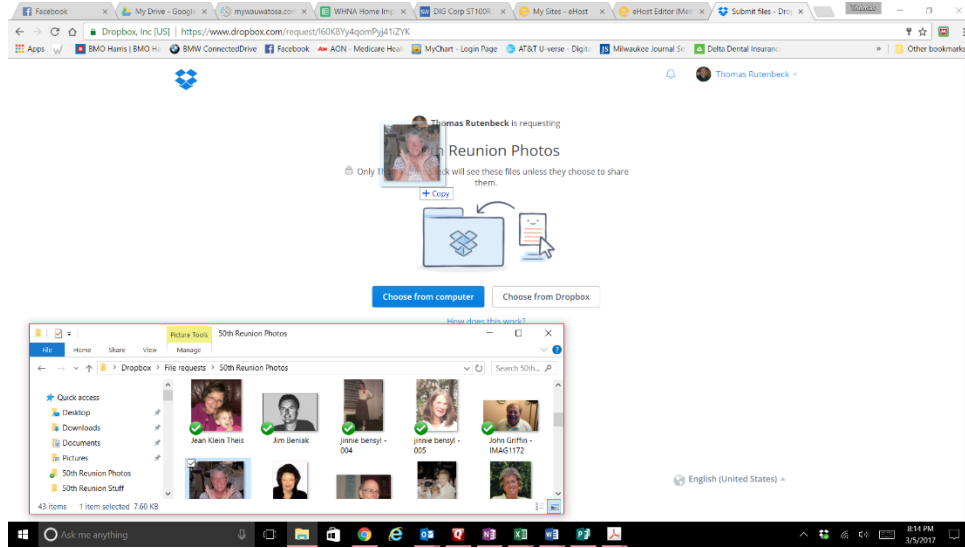
To use the upload tool, pictures need to be in digital format. If you sat for a senior picture that appeared in the 1967 Olympian yearbook, we've already got you covered on the "then" picture. If you had no yearbook picture, and still want an image of the young "hot" you to appear in the Memory book, you will need to get whatever you have scanned and converted to an electronic picture format. Any Walgreens can do that. For "Now" pictures just use your smart phone or other digital camera, or get someone you know to do it. JPEG (.jpg) file format is preferred. For file names please start with your Last name, as is was in high school, then your first such as "RutenbeckTomNow.jpg" or "PeaseSherryThen.jpg". The button directly below will open a Drop Box window where you can upload them.



Upload Photos

Attachment #3

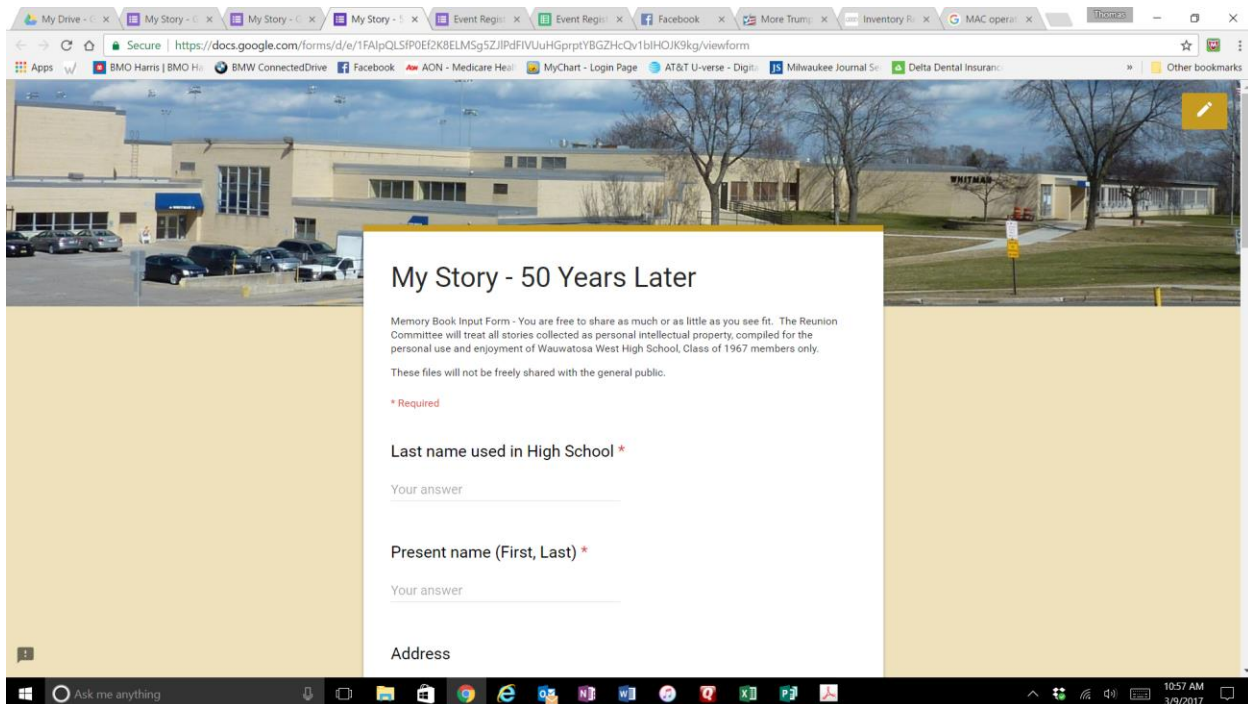
The upload window will look something like this. Use basic Windows or macOS skills to drag and drop file(s) into the Drop Box folder to upload it.



Survey Tool for Telling Your Story

The survey will generate your story for you, and includes all of the elements of the suggested outline above. Of course, you are free to share as much or as little as you wish.

Tell My Story



My Story - 50 Years Later

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* Required

Last name used in High School *

Your answer _____

Present name (First, Last) *

Your answer _____

Address _____

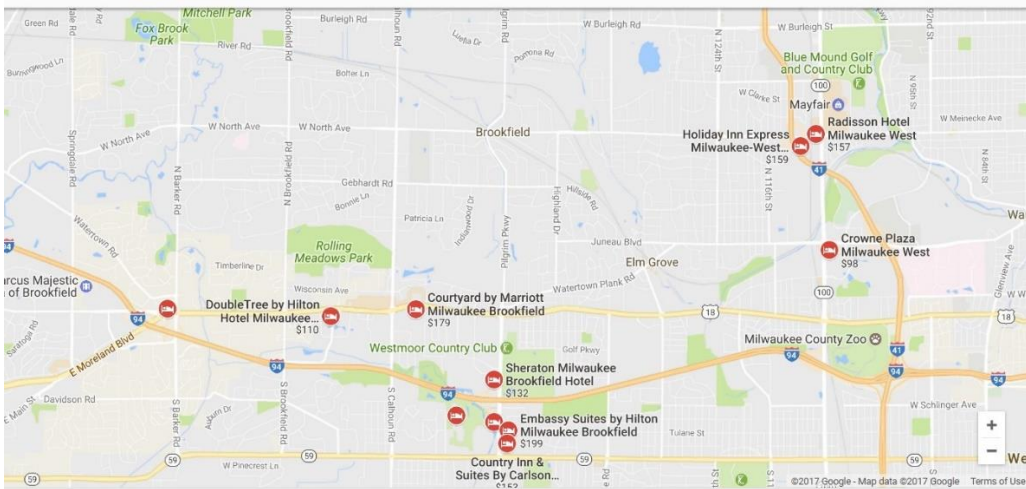
Attachment 4

Do you need a hotel while you're here?

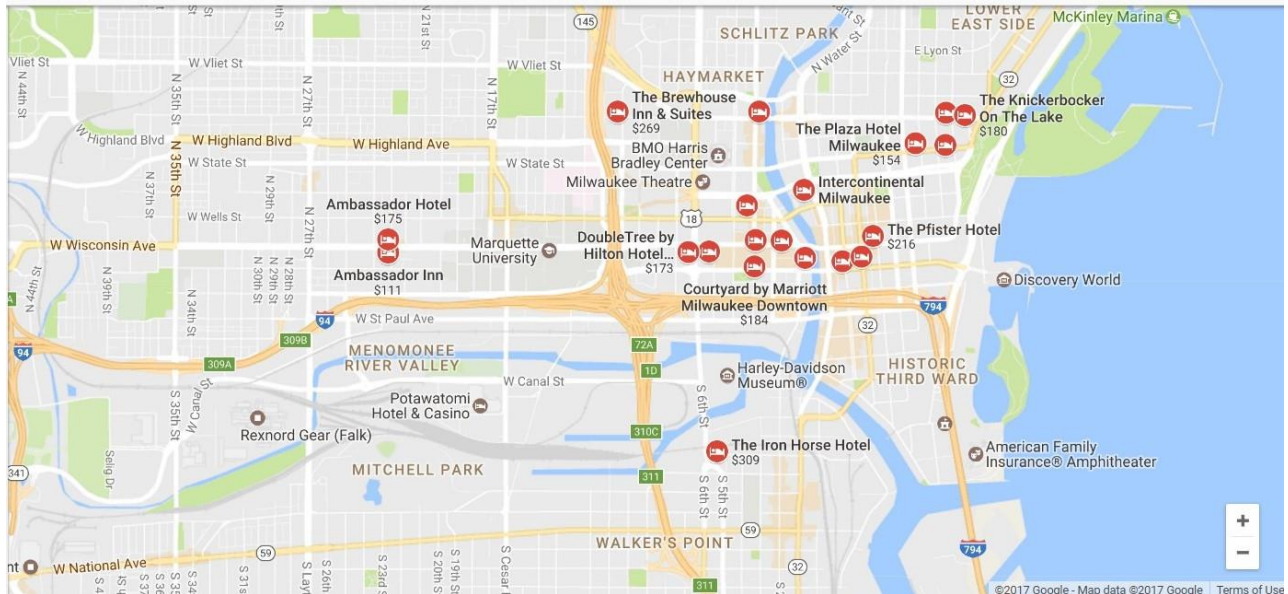
As part of our contract for the venue, the Radisson has set aside a block of thirty (30) rooms for our reunion guests. The rooms are offered at an advantageous nightly rate for these dates in our area. The rooms are subject to release into the general hotel room inventory, effective 5/10/17.

If you prefer, there are other accommodations available in the immediate vicinity, including a Holiday Inn Express, and an Extended Stay America property within walking distance of the venue. There is a newer Crowne Plaza hotel about a mile away. Finally, the largest concentration of lodging can be found in eastern Waukesha county and downtown Milwaukee.

West Suburban Area



Downtown Area



Attachment 4

Room Block Commitment:

Radisson Hotel Milwaukee West - Wauwatosa West High School, Class of 1967 - USD			
Room Type	Date	Rate	Agreed
Run of House	6/9/2017	125.00	30
Run of House	6/10/2017	125.00	30

Radisson Hotel Milwaukee west's room rates are subject to applicable state and local tax rates. The tax rate is currently 15.1% . The above rates are net, non-commissionable.

PLEASE NOTE: GUEST'S MUST PRESENT A VALID CREDIT CARD OR DEBIT CARD AT CHECK IN. CASH PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE AT CHECK OUT, HOWEVER THE CARD PRESENTED WILL BE AUTHORIZED FOR ROOM, TAX AND INCIDENTALS THAT MAY TAKE 5 BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE FUNDS ARE RELEASED.

Reservations, Cut-off and Check-in

Individuals are required to make their own reservations. Reservations can be made using the following:

- Calling Radisson Hotel Milwaukee West directly 414-257-3400
- Calling Radisson Worldwide reservation line 800-333-3333
- Visiting www.radisson.com/milwaukee_west and using PROMO code: WAUW67
Please advise the reservationist of the group name to ensure that they receive the special group rate (Wauwatosa West High School, Class of 1967).

Cut-off Date: 5/10/2017

Check in time: 4:00pm

Check out time: 11:00am

At the cut-off date, the hotel reserved the right to release any remaining rooms into the hotel's general inventory, and discounts may only be available on a space or rate available basis.

Guaranteed Reservations:

All reservations must be guaranteed for late arrival with a valid credit card number or an advance deposit of one night's room and tax. Reservations may be cancelled by 6:00pm, 24 hours in advance of arrival date. Failure to do so will result in the guest being charged one night's room and tax, forfeiture of any advance deposit.

Guest Room Billing Arrangements:

Individuals are responsible for paying all charges incurred during their stay.

Additional Policies:

Rollaway beds are available upon request and are subjected to availability.

Rooms reserved under room blocks are not guaranteed to be located in the same area of the hotel.