Reunion planning - hope to see you next year!

On the first weekend in June, seventeen members of the class of ’62 gathered on the Gustavus campus to begin planning for our 45-year class reunion. As you might imagine, we had a great time getting reacquainted, walking, talking and planning for next year. Most of us found it difficult to accept the fact that so many years have gone by so quickly. The good news is that we all recognized each other even though the staff was kind enough to provide us with name tags and all of our class yearbooks—just in case.

For those of you who have not returned to the campus in a few years, you will be impressed, possibly overwhelmed, and maybe a bit envious. Early on Friday morning Gail Lindsay Breen and I took a walk around the campus. We went into every building that was open and peeked into a lot of windows of buildings we still want to see. Next May at our reunion, you can see for yourself the fantastic changes that have occurred; tour the new dorms that didn’t exist when we were on campus; walk through the arboretum; be amazed at the “caf” and all of the choices; and most important of all, reconnect with some great people you haven’t seen for a while.

Jan Swanson Sammelson and Owen ’58 will provide their home in St. Peter as the gathering spot for our Friday night arrival. Much more information will be coming your way regarding the complete weekend schedule, accommodations and opportunities to get reacquainted. All of the advance planning is taking place for one reason, to see each of you next May 25 & 26. Bring your spouse, partner, photos of children or grandchildren, and be prepared for a great weekend of fun and reconnection. Stay tuned, you’ll be hearing more soon!

Personal Notes

Travis Lamons Hoppes is enjoying retirement and travel. Their son Christopher was married in January of this year.

Sandy Springer Smith and John have been enjoying every day of the warm Arizona sun in Fountain Hills for 16 years.

Margaret Helvig Sediva and husband, Tom, have combined families. Each has four children, some of whom are married. Their 12th grandchild was due in May. (You will definitely have more photos to share at the reunion than many of us, Margaret.) Tom works as a consultant and Margaret substitutes at the same school where she taught full-time for 15 years. She spent two weeks in Israel in February with 99 others from their church community and would highly recommend the experience which was enhanced by great guides,
great food and seeing the Sea of Galilee and Garden of Gethsemane. Safety was not an issue and the trip made their faith come alive.

**Ed Blair** has been elected to a four-year term on the town council of Payson. He reports that he knocked on 5,000 doors and became known as “Ed Blair with No Hair.” He teamed up with Bob Edwards who successfully ran for Mayor, they became known as the “Edwards/Blair” campaign. With all that success in knocking on doors Ed, we need to get you on the phone to call our class members about our 2007 reunion, the entire class would be a small number for you!

**Audrey Kylander Kramer** is retired and works part-time at the Marsh in Minnetonka. She has recently been to Costa Rica, skiing in Colorado with **Mary Johns Miller** and horse back riding in Wyoming and Montana with **Linda Johnson Blanding**. Some people never slow down—keep setting a great example for all of us Audrey!

**Lyle and Charlene (Lundahl ’63) Norris** have been retired for three years. They winter in Arizona, spend the spring and fall at home in Fairmont, and summers at the YMCA of the Rockies where they are part of the summer senior staff. They have three families in Minnesota and one in Arizona. They were looking forward to the arrival of grandchild number 11 into the family. (More pictures and competition for Margaret).

**Jan Eiffert Hoomani** has finally joined the ranks of grandmotherhood. Ian Gregory Lin was born April 19 to Jan’s daughter Katie. Having waited patiently for one grandchild, they will soon have two! Son, Jay, and his wife Eileen, will have a girl on December 6. (Jan says she has just purchased a Grandmother Show-and-Tell book and is learning the, “Oh, would you like to see my pictures?” routine.)

**Gordy and Sharon Maurer Edberg** have just welcomed grandchild number two to the family. (We’ll have to bring a lot more photos to keep up!) I work a few hours a week consulting in the area of fund raising and Gordy is thinking about retirement from his architectural practice so that he can devote more time to painting. Thinking is the key word.

We look forward to seeing all of you at our 45th Class of 1962 Reunion on May 25 & 26, of next year.

**Sharon Maurer Edberg**

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**Lost Classmates**

After seeing the list of "lost classmates" in the last class letter **Gwen Westman Nesburg** sent us the address of **Carol Briese Nyenhuis**.

THANK YOU GWEN!

We still have a few lost mates. Please help us with a phone number, address or email address if you can.

Dave Alfredson
James M. Anderson
Carla Hedeen Dubois
Tamilwai Lukindo
Joanna E. Nelson
Ethel Anderson Peterson

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Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn’t do than by the ones you did do.

- Mark Twain
Greetings to the class of ’62! I hope that you are all enjoying the summer months. When I sat down to write this letter I realized that I didn’t remember ever letting you know of my plans for the summer. I decided to devote this letter to filling you in on what I’ve been up to lately.

I’m currently writing this letter from Sandusky, OH. This is actually my third summer in Sandusky. I work at Cedar Point, an amusement park owned by Cedar Fair (the same company that owns Valleyfair in Minnesota). More specifically, I work on the front desk staff at Breakers Express, one of four Cedar Point resorts. In my previous two summers I did housekeeping in the same hotel. Having done housekeeping before, I’m very thankful to have my new position in which I’m allowed to stand in one place to do my work!

I enjoy my job but even more I enjoy the people out here. Most Cedar Point employees are college students on their summer break, so employees come from many different parts of the country and even the world. It’s always great to meet new people and I really feel that in my three summers here I have made lifelong friends.

Despite being somewhat homesick for Gustavus, I’m having a great summer in Ohio. I hope that you all enjoy the rest of your summer as well.

Sincerely,
Nicole
Aug. 1 aboard the Minnesota Centennial Showboat in St. Paul. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with dinner following at 6:30 p.m. The curtain rises for Forty-Five Minutes from Broadway at 8 p.m. Tickets are $52 per person, and reservations may be made by calling the Office of College Relations at 507/933-7520.

**Extraordinary Athletics**
The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and the United States Sports Academy have announced the final totals for the 2005-06 Directors' Cup and Gustavus finished 10th out of 435 competing NCAA Division III institutions. The Directors' Cup, which is the only all-sports competition in intercollegiate athletics, is awarded to four-year institutions in the NCAA and NAIA with the best overall athletic programs. In Division III, standings are based on national tournament finishes in 25 sports with points awarded based on the number of teams participating in each specific national championship. Gustavus is one of only seven institutions in Division III to have posted top 10 finishes in four of the past five years and is the only school from the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference to place in the top 20 this year.

**Upcoming Events:**
- **Urban Garden Tour** - July 15
- **Gustavus Library Associates dinner and theatre event** - August 1
- **Football Golf Tournament**, Shoreland Country Club - August 4
- **Gusties Gather!** - August 6
- **Nobel Conference:** “Medicine: Prescription for Tomorrow” - October 3 - 4
- **Homecoming/Family Weekend** - October 7 - 8

**Reunion Planning:**

Sharon talked about classmates coming together to plan the 45th reunion. Coming together as we did, it was great fun to see old friends and to catch up on news. (I’m always reminded of **Bette Bergquist Jambeck** who always used to say, “What a treat!”) It was a treat to see old friends. However, at the same time I have discovered that there are people in our class that I never got to know back when we were kids on campus; as we come together now I realize that I missed out on knowing some really interesting and fun people. I have found some new friendships and I am so glad that I have. We have so much in common and we enjoy being together. Those of us who are privileged to participate in planning the reunion have the pleasure of mini pre-reunions. Just think what fun it will be for all of us to come together with old friends and to make new friends at our reunion! I truly look forward to the reunion in May 2007 to renew old friendships and to discover the friends I am still discovering.

There will be people following up and following through to make all the grand and fun events happen. More details will continue to come to you via future class letters. **Gail Lindsey Breen** is the coordinator of the big three-day event.

“Jan Eiffert Hoomani
Contact your class agents, Ben Leadholm, Sandy Luedtke Buendorf or Jan Eiffert Hoomani at: 1962classagent@gustavus.edu. Please send any and all news of your life and times…

The Class of ’62 Box Score Board

2007 Reunion Goals

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New this year: If you make a three-year pledge, each year’s totals will count towards our goal! For example if you are willing to commit to $500 each year, for three years — we will be able to count $1,500 towards our glass goal of $250,000!