



Yale University
Class of 1968
50th Reunion – Our New Class Website

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Dear Yale '68 Classmates,

Your Yale '68 Reunion Committee's first note about our upcoming 50th Reunion (late May or early June, 2018) went out to everyone in November. In it, we committed to creating a 1968 Class website for use leading up to the reunion...and for future years.

New Yale 1968 Website – Reunion and Years Beyond

The good news is, we're on schedule and are proud to introduce our new Yale 1968 website. There are quite a few gaps yet to be filled, but we're in motion and with everyone's help will continue to make improvements. Take a look at: yale1968.org.

Basic Website Info

For our 50th, the website will be the main portal through which you can participate in our 50th Reunion Class Book project. Starting this March, you will be able to input password-protected, personal information, including a personal bio, for the book, being prepared by Class Book Editor **Steve Weisman** at ...sweisman@piie.com. We will send further information about how to do this at that time.

Our diligent Webmaster, **Frank Gallinelli**, has been hard at work orchestrating the website's secure and timely launch and ongoing development. For any web-related issues, Frank is at fgallinelli@gmail.com.

The website also includes menu items covering the interests and accomplishments of many of you – books and authors, fine arts, performing arts, films, personal websites, etc...whatever we come up with now, or down the road.

Lastly, we've included convenient links to some of the Yale websites of interest to Alums – the AYA, YaleNews, Yale Veterans, Travel, Continuing Ed and local Yale Clubs.

Website Menu Items

We'll be adding content to the various menu items as the year goes on. Several Classmates have jumped in to volunteer as Committee heads to help with the website. If you're interested in doing so, let us know.

Yale Class Notes: 1968 Class Secretary **Jim Latimer** will begin to add the usual quarterly Class Notes here for your convenience and ease of viewing, including as many prior Class Notes from the *Alumni Magazine* as we can.

News & Achievements: An ongoing listing of bite-size news items relating to our classmates as they occur...books published, movies, political appointments...with web links where available – very short 1-2 liners. If you have something to include, email **Jim Latimer** at ...jlatimer@att.net.

Books & Authors: Writer and author **Thurston Clark** is heading up this committee to create a permanent website listing of books by our Yale '68 classmates. This will also include a display at Sterling Library during the Reunion. Anyone who has published and would like to be included, please contact Thurston at ...thurston@willex.com.

Fine Arts: Portrait artist **Bob Anderson** is organizing the artists of our class and will include their works here. All are welcome, whether you are a longstanding professional or simply dabble in the arts and are proud of what you've created. If interested, please contact Bob at ...roberander@gmail.com.

Performing Arts: Lifelong classical guitarist **Jonathan Coles** is tracking down the musicians of '68. We know of a few, but if you're a composer, cello or flute player, singer or songwriter, and have something that can be included on the class website, please get in touch with Jonathan at ...colesjonathan@gmail.com.

Films/Documentaries: Movie producer **Lloyd Kaufman** will gather our film and documentary producers so that we can see the great work they have created over the years. We know of some, but if you've been involved in any video projects you'd like to share on the website, get in touch with Lloyd at ...lloydk@troma.com.

Classmate Websites: Many of our classmates have created personal websites for hobbies, small businesses, pet projects, etc. Computer Science & Web guru **Tom Harmon** will gather a listing of these prior to the Reunion. If you have a website that you'd like to share and include, contact Tom at ...tohar@mac.com.

In Memoriam: Classmate **Neil Berkson** has been hard at work for the past few months, with a group of '68 volunteers, gathering profile information for the Class book and

website for each of our 140 classmates who have died. Neil has drafts on hand or commitments to write roughly 80 profiles, so he is still missing quite a few.

The posted list of deceased classmates is still missing a number of names. If you have knowledge of someone who has died but is not on the list, or wish to profile any of our late members, please contact Neil at ...hnb.y68@lang.net

Important Email/Records Update

Emails will be our primary means of contact over the next year and a half, but make sure Yale has **both** your up-to-date preferred email and postal address so we can reach you easily. To update your email, postal address, and Yale profile on-line, go to: www.yalealumni.yale.edu. For step-by-step instructions on how to do this, see the enclosure with this letter.

Volunteer Opportunities and Reunion Suggestions

Other opportunities will arise as we draw closer to the Reunion and set up sub-Committees and projects. If there is any particular area that you would like to help out with please let **Bill Baker**, Reunion Chair, or **Rick Sperry**, Reunion Co-Chair know.

We already have many ideas on what our 50th Reunion might look like, but we are wide-open to suggestions. We'd love to hear from you.

Warm regards to all,

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