

Robert Vehar **Choral Director**

Dear members of the Class of 1974,

It was with much pleasure that I received an invitation to your 30th Reunion picnic. Thank you for remembering your teachers!

Searching through my Mixed Chorus and Chorale programs and recording (vinyl!) of your Senior year, a flood of most positive and happy memories washed over me. Many of you were with me for four years. I treasure that special relationship with all of the classes prior to my retirement in 2001. I look forward to updating with you at the picnic, many of whom I've not seen since your graduation.

I have only two regrets in remembering your class. The first is that I gave in to your vote (democracy sometimes isn't all that it's cracked up to be) to not print your group picture, names and liner notes on your recording. It saved you each about \$.50 as I remember. I NEVER let that happen again. I'm reminded of how you looked then by your group picture from the 1973 album. With the exception of two people, I was able to match up everyone's name and face. I remember you well--and positively, too!

The other regret is that I never snared Rick Rabin into the choral program. I regret that even more when I regularly see him as I take our "fleet" of Dodge cars to now Clarence Dodge for good service. His billing of routine maintenance work continues to drain my hard-earned pension money. Since I wasn't his teacher, I get no special favors other than his ready smile--although that's appreciated.

To those unable to be at the reunion, If you're not now singing, I hope that you will join a church or community choir sometime soon and "share the wealth" of your vocal and musical talents. Your input is sorely needed.

To each of you with whom I shared music making, thank you again for years of satisfaction and joy. My best wishes and thanks go out to each of you!

Sincerely,
Bob Vehar