

# Madison West Class of '61

## Education Foundation – Dec, 2013



Your Class of 1961 is providing a level of support for student growth in self-respect, respect for others and making the world a nicer place! You are impacting the future of many. Over 50% of the Class has contributed in some way

Happy Holidays to the Class of '61! I am sure many of you are "snow birding" or have totally given up the great winters in Madison.

Many have stayed on and a few were fortunate to witness the 2013 Madison West "Respect Retreat" held off-campus Tuesday through Friday the week of December 10th.

Once again, you have provided funds (\$4000) to help defray the costs of a very special, life enhancing learning experience for the ENTIRE Freshman class...500 students this year!

In addition to the Freshman, a mentor group of 20 Juniors and Seniors plus over 10 staff members participated in exercises focused on Respect for fellow classmates and their selves. Many of the mentors had participated in previous Retreats.

Following up on the Freshman program is the repeat of Wisdom Retreat for the Senior Class on March 18, 2014.

*Fellow alums attending the Retreat were Jay Carlson, Ralph Farmer, Jeff Bartell, Peggy Ahlgren and Dan Schuette.*

They all join me in encouraging you to make a tax-deductible contribution to Madison West Class of '61 Education Fund...make that check out now to meet year-end tax deadlines!

Without YOU there is no Fund and no support for the incredible programs YOU have initiated at West. The Class of '61 stands as the most generous and supportive class in West's history...let's continue to Make A Difference.

Please send your valued contributions to:

Foundation for Madison Public Schools

455 Science Drive Suite 130 – Madison WI 53711

\*Please note on check "West High Class of '61 Foundation"

THANKS and HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!!



Youth Frontier's leader, John, led the 2013 "Respect Retreat" for the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade.



Juniors and seniors (in blue shirts) acted as mentors. Many had participated in previous Retreats.

Further recap and photos in the Spring...