



Andover High School classmates from around the country assembled at AE/MS on July 9 for their annual reunion. Photo: Bill Thomas, AHS '54

The Mellow Yellow Experience is Coming to Franklin Opera House

A dazzling tribute to artists of the '60s and '70s

Press release

The Mellow Yellow Experience is coming to the Franklin Opera House on Friday, August 5, at 7:30 PM. It is a completely groovy, psychedelic show that transports the audience back to the era of Peace, Love, and Rock and Roll. The performers pay tribute to artists of the '60s and '70s, including Donovan, the Doors, the Beatles, the Moody Blues, just to name a few.

The music addresses major social issues of the late Sixties such as the Apollo moon missions, the hippie movement, and the war in Vietnam. In the Mellow Yellow Experience, five accomplished and versatile musicians perform authentic renditions of the genre's greatest songs, while a stunning multi-media presentation and light show brings each of the songs to life.

For example, Space Oddity by Da-

vid Bowie is played while images of the Apollo missions and the first lunar landing are splashed on the huge screen behind the performers.

While other tribute bands just play music, Mellow Yellow goes the extra mile to capture all the hey-man-peace-and-love grooviness of the songs that helped define a decade. With fanatic attention to detail, the members of Mellow Yellow do all they can to get inside the songs they perform. This attention to the essence of the music – as well as dazzling arrangements, outrageous costumes and outta sight, righteous video visuals – result in not just a show but a full on, far-out experience of an era gone by.

Those days may be over, but thanks to Mellow Yellow, the music and the spirit live on. Can you dig it?

To listen to the music and read the extensive playlist, visit MellowYellow.com. Tickets are \$20 to \$22, available online at FranklinOperaHouse.org or 934-1901.

Andover High Reunion Draws Grads from Across the Country

Reunions to continue at AE/MS each year

Judy Poblenz Perreault, AHS '53

Saturday, July 9 – a rainy day – found 32 Andover High School (AHS) classmates at the Andover Elementary/Middle School (AE/MS), the scene of many past fun-filled events for alumni. There was a lot of memorabilia to jog our memories of friends, plays, dances, sports, and other school activities.

Ellie George had a list of items that were required for Freshman Initiation Day. As I recall, it included (for girls) shorts, one boot, one man's shoe, and a bucket. Freshman were required to bow to upperclassmen. What we thought of as fun would probably be called harassment today and not allowed.

We started the meeting with our spirited Andover Cheer. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and God Bless America, led by Gay Ellen Rayno. We sang a couple of our school songs, which are pretty familiar as we sing them every year.

A poem entitled I'm Free was read, and a moment of silence was observed for our departed classmates who died since the last reunion: Betty Phelps Cook '54, Pauline Richardson Richards

'46, Lily Ordway '53, Chester Martin '48, Barbara Ford Holden '45, Richard Clapper (in 2014) '59, John R. McAuliffe '41, David Monroe Jewett '63, Carol Hill Gallagher '62, Kenneth Heath '54, Louise Gallup '53, and Alice Perkins Burnham '42.

Class pictures were taken, and we had representatives from classes '41, '42, '49, '50, '52, '53, '54, '56, '57, '58, '60, '61, and '62. The class with the most attendees was '58.

Margery Walker Piper won the door prize, and Nelson Aldrich came the closest to guessing the number of beans in the jar. Frank Haley was recognized for his fundraising efforts on behalf of the blind.

Harold Crane (California) and Jerry Alley (Texas) came the farthest to attend the reunion.

At the meeting, it was decided that all future reunions would be held at AE/MS. The reasons were that it is handicap accessible, there are no weather concerns, and as one of our classmates commented, it is where it all began.

We adjourned to a delicious pot luck lunch with a variety of wonderful desserts.

Hope to see you all next year on the Saturday after the Fourth of July, at the School!

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