

# CLASS HISTORY \*

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The Big Record turntable revolves backwards and reveals the hits popular during the class of 1958's history.

'Lollipop, lollipop, oh lolly lollipop' sang the 82 members of the class of '58 as they enrolled in the **first** grade in 1946. Sisters-in-law, Mrs. Dorothy McClain and Miss Eleanor McClain, helped us lick our 'Lollipops'. That year we lost three pupils, David Apple, Evelyn Bartley and Phyllis Miles.

One and one are two; two and two are four; four and four are eight; eight and eight are sixteen added our class as we imitated the 'Inch Worm' when we learned our arithmetic in the **second** grade. Miss Dorothea Thomas and Mrs. Garnet Christie helped all 77 of us learn our lessons. During the year and summer following the first grade we lost 17 students, but 15 new students helped replace our losses.

Ann Boswell, Sandra Bybee, James Edwards, Robert Fehrenbach, Don Acton, Mary Berzenye, Davoid Cserep, Stephen Crowell, Ronald Goldsberry, DeLoss Jones, Judy Reed, Van Ray Robertson, Billie Tuttle, Charles Finley, Jerry Jackson and Richard Brown left our class.

New students entering with us into Mrs. Christie's room were Darlene Ewing, Jo Ann Martin, Carl Lee Shorter, Jimmy Dugan and Jane Kirby. Paul Bowman, Imogene Jackson, Denise Merritt, Mark Milhous, Paula Neighmeyer, Marcell Burdine, Marjorie Delp, Nancy Bolin, Terry Adamson and Billy Osburne joined the rest of us in Miss Thomas' room.

'Wait Till The Sun Shines Nellie' we sang as we tried to persuade our **third** grade teachers, Mrs. Nellie Blessing and Mrs. Bertha Whittinghill, to put off those tests. That year we lost Edward Eikman, Jo Ann Martin, Paul Boman, Stephen Campbell, Samuel Davidson, Sherwood Freeman, Melvin Halton, David Devine, Patty Steinsberger and Marjorie Delp. New students included DeLoss Jones, Madonna Money, Disie Watson, Grace Keller, Robert Stambaugh, Marjorie Duncan, James Dunham, Minnie Bentley and Shirley Beasley.

'Sisters' was the girl's theme song in the **fourth** grade, and 'Brothers' would have been the boys if there had been a song by that title. Through thick and thin the girls were always 'sisters' and the guys were 'brothers'. The class lost fellow class members Paula Neighmeyer, Mark Milhous, Dallas Summerlet, Grace Keller, Robert Stambaugh, Marjorie Duncan, Darlene Ewing, Eugene Holmes, Jane Kirby, Barbara Fehrenbach and Robert Shaw. The new 74 members in the class included Cleveland Carlisle, Robert Hamilton, Jane

Matlock, Peter Simcox, Betty Davisson, James Ellis, Eugene Holmes, Donald Acton, Billy Rouse and Grace Keller.

Busily humming 'School Days', we traveled on through the **fifth** grade world of Big Record hits. Mrs. Avis Walls and Mr. Edward Slaybaugh taught our class, now numbering 68. The 13 who withdrew included Carol Sanborn, James Dugan, Minnie Bentley, Benton Short, Peri Ann Irish, James Ellis, Billy Rouse, Denise Merritt, Peggy Bllekett, Jane Matlock, James Dunham and Peggy Pickett.

'They tried to tell us we're too young, too young to really be in love', but we all knew differently in the **sixth** grade when we rattled off the list of our first, second, third and fourth best boy or girl friends.

Norma Hynds, Michael Glover, Brenda Gee, J.B. Spears, Billy Price, Ernestine Truex, Perry Allen, Tommy Hacker and George Rust withdrew that year. Earlier Roger Phelps, Billy Price, Ernestine Truex, Perry Allen, Tommy Hacker, Darlene Ewing, George Rust, Jim Gregg, Brenda Gee, Michael Isabell and Betty Crouch joined us as new members.

We all yelled 'Dance With Me, Henry', at our two **seventh** grade class parties as we tried to show off our wonderful skill on the dance floor. This year Nancy Bolin, Carl Shorter, James Culver, Charles Dowell, Jack Ingle and Stephen Parr left our class. However, Fred Morgan, Tom Groseclose, Keith Lasley, Becky Baker, James White, Dave Taylor, Bill Bowen, Frank Harrell and Charles Dowell replaced these losses.

'April Love', our first kisses, first steadies and first loves are typified in this big record hit during the **eighth** grade. Our class enrollment increases this year when Mary Jo DeLand, Carol Bates, Jack Ingle, Gary Hoffman, Michael Glover, Judy Jennings, Linda Caskey, Pat Goodwin, Wilma Eldridge, Bill Cody, Dick Neal, Madonna Money and Faye Hefley enrolled with us. William Rouse, James White, Wanda Hogan, Keith Lasley, Betty Crouch, Tom Groseclose and Carl Shorter, however, withdrew from the class.

We saw the 'Witch Doctor' and he told us what to do. Who was the Witch Doctor? He's the lordly senior who orders us around during our **Freshman** year. That year Peri Ann Irish, Carol Sanborn and Jack Franck left our class while John White and John Daugherty joined us.

While 'Waitin in school all day long', as **Sophomores**, we eagerly anticipated being upperclassmen. Dan Scott, Waymon Nicholson, John Howard, Ken Hunter and Paul Davisson raised our totals to 65 students in the class. Sue Mann was the only person who withdrew that year.

As **Juniors** we softly glided to 'Moonlight Serenade' at our first really formal occasion, our Junior-Senior Reception. Jerry Arnold and Roger Tolbert joined us that year. Judy Jennings left that year. Carolyn Day came the next fall for her **Senior** year.

As a 'Rhapsody in Blue' the class of 1958 ends our educational career in colors, light blue and dark blue. With all the crescendos and decrescendos of a rhapsody, the senior year has brought the fulfillment of all our dreams.

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