

May, 2011

Dear Alumni:

The final plans for the 2011 All-School Reunion have been completed. We now need firm commitments since we have limited facilities. This letter will outline the events and meals, including costs. We are trying to combine husband and wife alumni, so only one letter will come to those. Remember to indicate the class you wish to eat with.

Friday, July 1

Some classes have made arrangements for special get-togethers. If your class is planning something special on Friday evening (or Saturday), you probably have already gotten word of it. The following are some that I am aware of (hopefully I haven't forgotten any):

1953/1954--Meeting at Vic's Steakhouse on Friday evening.

1958--Meeting at Vic's Steakhouse on Friday evening.

1961--Meeting at Vic's Steakhouse on Friday evening.

1969--Saturday afternoon at the new Veterans Club on Clay Street.

1971--Friday evening at Gary Peters residence, 6:30 p.m.

1980-1985---Saturday (1:00 until class dinners) social time at 583 Shawnee Blvd in Tecumseh (Bob Stitt's parent's home). Email RSVP to bstitt@mines.edu -or- Lynette (Bartels) Fleck at lsfleck@yahoo.com -or- Doug Goracke at dq55833@windstream.net.

I'm pretty sure there are other classes gathering for individual get-togethers, but these were the only ones I had messages about in my "pile of stuff".

On Friday evening, Belle Terrace and Ridgeview Towers Assisted Living will be hosting an ice cream social beginning at 7:00, followed by a fireworks display at their facility located at 1133 N. 3rd Street. Entertainment will be provided. Everyone welcome!!

Saturday, July 2

You will need to register and pick up your tickets sometime Saturday. The High School Gym will be open from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Both schools will be open for touring and reminiscing. Keep in mind that some areas will be in the process of the routine summer repair, etc. We are welcome to "wander the halls", just take a little extra caution where needed.

The Alumni Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday morning. The enclosed flyer has all the information and if you are interested, you need to fill out the registration and send the fee along with your other reservations. Remember, the tournament is limited to 27 teams, so you might want to get your reservation in as soon as you are able to.

Our Saturday evening meals will be at 6:00 p.m. and will be served at various sites---American Nat'l Bank Banquet Room at 312 Broadway (north side of square) will be served by Kooking Kettle, owned and operated by Marjorie Wenzl; Ramsey Family Fountain, (west side of square), owned and operated by Bev and Wilbur Ramsey (Class of 1958); Baptist Activity Center at 3rd & Jackson (one block north of square) served by Scotty's Catering, owned and operated by Scotty Gottula; St. Andrew's Parish Hall at 561 Jackson (one block east and one block north of square), served by St. Andrew's Altar Society; and Vic's Steakhouse, owned and operated by Vicky (Goings) Mahoney (Class of 1973) at 366 Broadway (former Vets Club). Until we have actual reservations, we will not have definite sites for each class. That is why we are asking you to return the reservation form by June 15. We are trying to serve the meals in only one shift at each site, so if that all works out, you won't be asked to leave to make room for another shift. You will be able to spend time visiting with each other before and after the meals.

As you decide to gather with other classes, we will have a fenced-in "beer garden" on the square and will be providing music for dancing or listening. Mostly, I'm sure you'll want to VISIT, VISIT, VISIT!!

If you are not making meal reservations, but will be socializing during the weekend, please indicate that on the form so that we know you'll be around somewhere. Our alumni are spread across the United States and having come all the way back to THS, do like to see as many people as possible while here.

The annual "Heritage Days" will be in progress on Saturday. Along with booths and children's events, there will be entertainment in the courtyard. Some very special places to visit during the week-end are:

Ramsey Family Fountain---See the wonderful display of veterans photos, thanks to the ongoing generosity of Bev Ramsey, who spends a tremendous amount of time getting the photos ready for display.

John Deere Museum---The museum is located just north of the Johnson County Medical Center (the old laundromat building). It is the private collection of Keith Shuey, M.D. There are numerous items that chronicle the John Deere Company and rural America in general--good times and bad times. The museum is free of charge and will be open to the public during the Heritage Days and the Reunion weekend.

The "Cornerstone Building"---Located on the corner of 3rd & Clay Streets, the building has been restored, thanks to the dedication of two local residents--Fred Pooch and Jim Borrenpohl, (both members of the Class of 1971). The building has already been used on a number of occasions and will be open during the weekend.

Johnson County Museum--Located in the previous Christian Church on the corner of 3rd & Lincoln Streets. The museum will be open on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. -- 3:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. -- 3:00 p.m.

The Johnson County Fair Board will be sponsoring a Demolition Derby, to be held at the fairgrounds on Saturday evening, starting at 6:00 p.m. Admission will be charged. A dance will follow, featuring "Cowboy Up Band", sponsored by Tecumseh Federal Bank, Tecumseh Insurance and M & M Supply.

Sunday, July 3

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.--Tecumseh Community Club will be serving a pancake and sausage breakfast at the Baptist Activity Center.

12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.--BBQ picnic served out of the Tecumseh Fire Hall by Scotty's Catering.

Tim Morrissey (M&M Supply) will be hosting a fireworks display located at Hwy 50 and Clay Street.

That completes our actual arrangements for "wining & dining". THE FUN IS UP TO YOU!!!!

Please fill out the reservation form and return with your check or money order (no cash, please) by June 15. Remember to indicate what year you are eating with. Please return the entire sheet, even if you don't make reservations for everything.

NOTE NEW ADDRESS FOR RETURNING RESERVATIONS:

Tecumseh Alumni Committee
% Regina Doty
P.O. Box 133
Tecumseh, NE 68450

We look forward to seeing you in July!!

SINCERELY,

