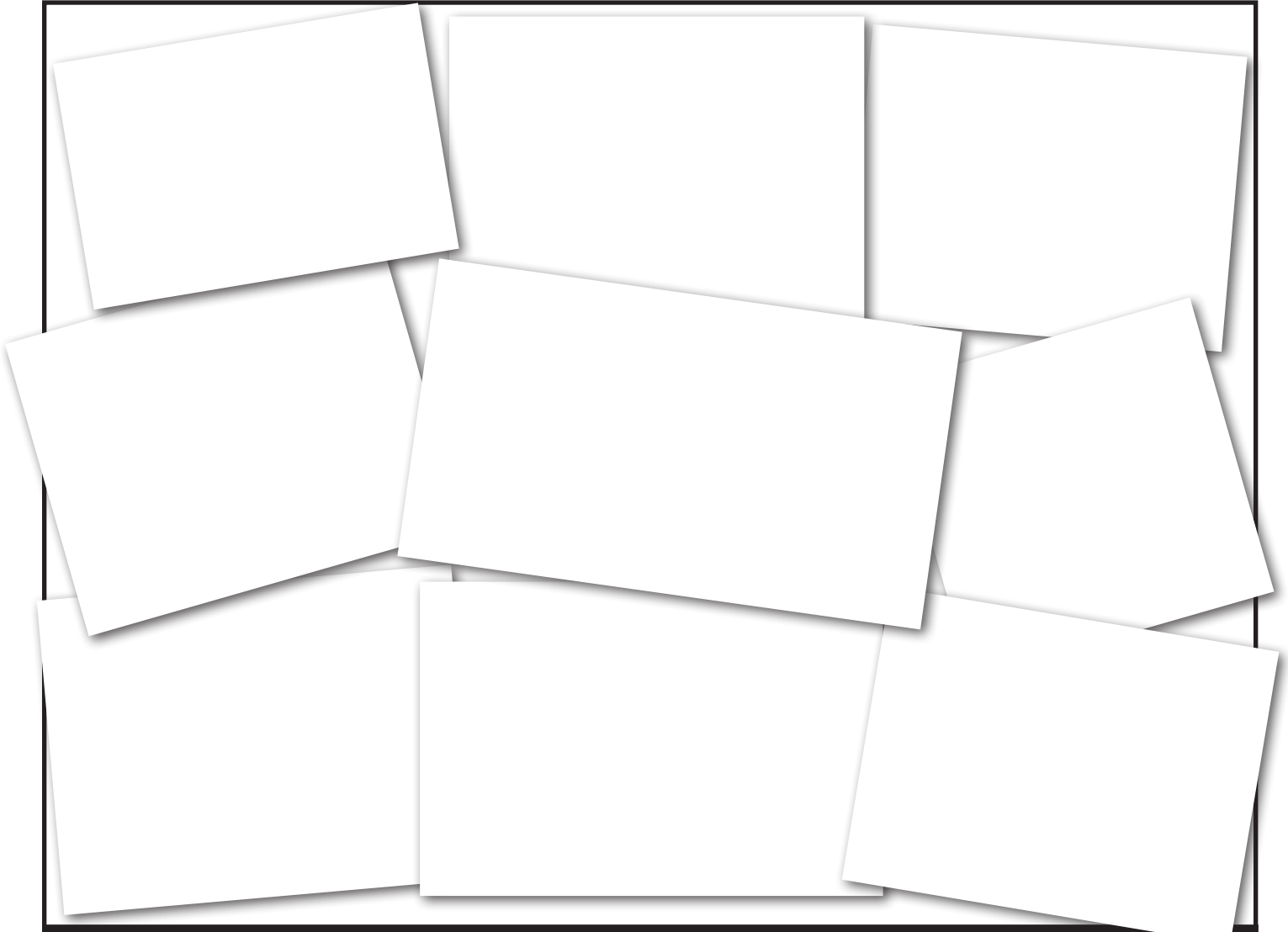


Class of '80



CLASS OF '80 - ATTEND OUR 30 YEAR REUNION OCTOBER 29 - 31, 2010, TO MAKE SOME MEMORIES!

HOWDY!

It's here! Time to register for our 30 Year Class Reunion! We can't believe it either--we've known each other for at least 34 years if we met at Fish Camp or as we arrived on campus! How did we get to this stage in life so fast! Well...come join us on the weekend of October 29 to 31 and we'll try to figure it out!

The Reunion schedule is enclosed and designed with you in mind. We've

focused on your priorities--time to hang out and visit with friends and classmates, time to participate in the full array of game day activities, casual and affordable events, and time to tour campus and do things on your own schedule.

Based on the hotel and ticket block reservations to date, we are going to have a great crowd. However, it won't be complete without you! Please make your plans to join us. The Who's Attending link will be updated at www.AggieNetwork.com/Reunions as

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people register for the weekend. So if you don't see someone that you want to catch up with, be sure and reach out to them to let them know you're coming. If you've never attended one of our Class Reunions, there's no better time to start than now. We're looking for volunteers to be ambassadors to encourage Classmates from their outfit, dorm, student organization, intramural team, or any other collection of friends to attend. Let Sara know if you are interested in serving as an ambassador or want to help in other ways with the Reunion activities.

We recognize game day weekends can be expensive. If cost is a concern, please consider these options as part of your planning before dismissing the weekend as out of reach:

We have Classmates in the B-CS area that have offered to host people in their homes. Let us know if this is something you want to pursue and we'll put you in touch with them.

There are other hotels/motels in the the B-CS and the greater Brazos Valley area (e.g., Navasota) that have lower rates than the Best Western. However, most of these still have a 2-night minimum for a game day weekend.

There are hotels on the NW side of Houston and Conroe that will have normal weekend rates without a 2-night minimum stay. With the completion of the most recent building projects on Highway 290 and 6, you can reach Aggieland within 65 to 75 minutes depending on traffic (and your willingness to push the speed limits).

The game will be shown on the new Huddleston Video Wall in the Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center whether it is picked up for tv or not

because The Association receives the feed from Kyle Field for non televised games.

The best part of any reunion weekend is the chance to reconnect with friends, and possible make some new ones. So please consider joining us for all or part of the weekend.

To help make sure you've got plenty of time to catch up with folks, we're planning a new tradition this Reunion--the Class of '80 Hospitality Room. Your Class Agents have made the initial contributions of \$80 each to the Class of '80 Reunion Fund. Our goal is to stock the Hospitality Room at the Best Western with beverages and snacks for Friday afternoon/early evening before and again after our Friday night event at the Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center building. We'll also plan on having it available again on Saturday after the game. If we receive enough in donations, we can keep the Hospitality Room supplied with beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) and snacks such that you will not have to pay the hotel prices from the bar to enjoy a drink with your friends. We'll accept donations of all sizes to provide a fun and relaxing setting for visiting and catching up with friends. Information on how to donate to the fund can be found on page five.

In addition to the Hospitality Room, see the enclosed schedule for the planned activities for the weekend. If you are not golfing, there is time for you to head onto campus and see all the changes and new buildings as well as the Bonfire Memorial. As noted else where, our schedule is still subject to change based on the whims of the television schedulers--look for a final confirmed schedule for the tailgate party and business meeting around October 15th. We've also included a few more details inside about the various events.

YOUR DOLLARS AT WORK

From *Texas Aggie* magazine

ASSOCIATION HELPS ORCHESTRA CLUB WITH ANNUAL FUNDRAISER



"Have you ever played the board game Clue?" asks Texas A&M University Orchestra Club President Jeehyun Park '11. "That is the feeling we are trying to create with our Mystery Dinner Theatre event."

With funding from The Association of Former Students, the Orchestra Club, created as an interest group for orchestra, puts on the annual fundraiser at the College Station Conference Center. The mystery dinner allows club members and all in attendance to contribute "just by having a good time," Park said.

"People go all out with costumes and disguises. We put on musical and acting performances for the audience during their dining experience and in turn, are able to showcase what the club is all about."

The Mystery Dinner Theatre allows the Orchestra Club to further music education and musical diversity at Texas A&M.

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Texas A&M's Orchestra Club raises funds with an annual Mystery Dinner Theater, with help from donors to The Association of Former Students.

REUNION REGISTRATION & CHECK IN

Return the enclosed Reunion registration form by mail to The Association of Former Students, 505 George Bush Dr., College Station, TX 77840, ATTN: '80 Reunions, FAX 979-845-9263, or register online at www.aggienetwork.com/Reunions and click on the Class of '80 30Year Reunion.

If you have questions, contact the Class Programs department at The Association of Former Students at (800)633-7514 or e-mail one of your Class Agents.

Your nametags, schedule of events and a list of Classmates that pre-registered will be waiting for you at the Reunion Check-In desk, which will begin at the Best Western, and will continue all weekend with a table set up at each event. A "Who's Attending" link is provided on www.AggieNetwork.com/Reunions and will be updated daily during the registration period.

Walk up registrations will be accommodated based on availability. Registering before the due date will ensure there is food and fun awaiting you at each event. All registrations received after **October 15, 2010** will incur a **\$10 late fee**.

CENTURY CLUB SUPPORTS REUNIONS

Class Reunions and numerous other programs for former and current students are supported by donations to The Association of Former Students' Century Club. Donors also receive special benefits. Join the Century Club and help make an impact on another Aggies' life. (Please sign up on the registration form found on page seven.)

Levels of annual support include: Bronze - \$100; Silver - \$250; Gold - \$500; Diamond - \$1,000; Double Diamond - \$2,000; Platinum - \$5,000; Double Platinum - \$10,000.

Other Information

We've designed the weekend to be family friendly. Many of you have Aggies on campus--please feel free to include them in as much of the weekend as their time allows. Same for the rest of your family. As far as the weather, it could be hot or cold, dry or rainy--remember, it's late October in Aggieland! So check the Weather Channel before you leave home, and pack accordingly, and then still consider bringing the opposite of what they predicted!

CANCELLATION POLICY

The Association of Former Students has a flexible cancellation policy. If you cannot attend your Reunion or an event for which you have registered, please call the Class Programs office (800)633-7514 at least **72 business hours** prior to the start of the Reunion. Your payment will be refunded with the exception of a small handling fee.

WHAT ABOUT PARKING?
Transportation to all events is on your own. There will not be shuttle service to/from the Best Western. For parking and/or campus maps visit the Transportation Services website. <http://transport.tamu.edu/specialevents/gamedayannc.aspx>

GET TO THE GRID!
From pre-game tailgate parties to the breathtaking Corps march-in, you won't want to miss a minute of the many activities surrounding Fightin' Texas Aggie football. Ride the FREE game day express shuttles from Post Oak Mall to our tradition-rich gridiron, Kyle Field, and leave the parking and traffic worries to someone else. **The cost is free.** Hours of operation: Beginning 3 hours prior to kick-off and 1 hour after game ends.
Shuttle Stop: Post Oak Mall parking lot between JCPenney & Dillard's south and Texas A&M University - Lubbock Street.

FOOTBALL TICKET INFORMATION

If you did not order tickets in our Reunion block prior to July 16, you may still order tickets online at www.12thmanfoundation.com or by contacting the ticket office at 1-888-99-AGGIE depending on ticket availability. Tell them that you are attending the game in conjunction with the Class of 1980 30 Year Reunion against Nebraska and they will work with you to get you as close to the block as possible.

ATTIRE

Your Reunion is going to be a fun, casual affair. The attire for each event follows the event description. All Classmates are encouraged to wear maroon to the football game.

CLASS AGENT ELECTIONS

Class Agents serve as a liaison between their Class and The Association. This is the perfect opportunity to get involved as a former student, stay connected to the university and help lead your Class supporting A&M. Elections are held in conjunction with your Reunions, so now is your chance!

Teams consist of three to four members of your Class and serve a five-year term. As a Class Agent you will serve on The Association of Former Students' Leadership Council, which meets twice a year. The Association of Former Students provides orientation and resources to aid you in this role. Class Agents are responsible for keeping the Class informed through newsletters, web sites and emails, planning Class events and providing annual fund information to former students. Your current Agents plan to run again and represent your Class if elected for another term.

For more information please contact the Class Programs office at 979-845-7514 or class@aggienetwork.com. Class Agent teams and nominations must be submitted at least 14 days prior to your Reunion to get your name(s) on the ballot!

GOLF OUTING

Russ Kellen has arranged for us to play at Pebble Creek Golf Club (<http://www.pebblecreek.org/golf>) on Friday morning the 29th. Tee times will begin at 11:00, so plan on arriving by 10:30 a.m. for final foursome assignments. Cost is \$75/person and covers your green fees and cart. Water and other beverages will be brought from the Hospitality Room, but once they are gone, the club will sell beverages there. Lunch is on your own, which you can either bring or purchase there at the club (box lunch option is approx. \$8). Clubs are available for rent (\$25--reserve early). Collared shirts are required, and denim is prohibited. Golf shoes or tennis shoes are permitted, but no metal spikes are allowed.

FRIDAY EVENING GET TOGETHER

After golf or touring campus on Friday afternoon, plan to stop by the Hospitality Room at our Reunion Headquarters Hotel, Best Western at 1920 Austin's Colony Parkway, Bryan. You can check in for our Reunion Activities there between 4:00 - 6:00 p.m., or you can check in at The Association of Former Students Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center beginning at 6:30 p.m.

At the Alumni Center, we've got a fun, casual evening planned. We'll have a cash bar and buffet dinner, and following dinner, our very own DJ, **Russ Kellen** will be spinning hits from the '70s and '80s so that you can dance the night away. We'll also have game tables with cards and dominoes set out in the Flores Hall away from the music so that you can visit. For those who have not yet had an opportunity to have your picture taken in the Haynes Ring Plaza, we've booked a photographer to take a picture of you and your spouse/date and/or family together.

Things will wind down in time for Midnight Yell, and Hospitality Room will reopen and stay open until 2:00 a.m.

GAME DAY MEAL & BUSINESS MEETING

Barbecue and Class Business Meeting--Either Saturday Morning or Afternoon

Yes--there will be some Class Business to attend to either before or after the game on Saturday. We will gather at the Alumni Center for a brief program and barbecue meal. If the game is in the morning or early afternoon TV slot, we'll have our meeting after the game. If the game is in the mid-afternoon or evening slot, we'll meet approx. Four hours prior to the game so that we are finished in time for you to take advantage of all of the game day activities. We'll have a brief program including discussion of our Class Gift, a speaker from the University, Class Agent election discussion, and a roll call for the Classmates we've lost since our last Reunion. To ensure that there is enough food, please be sure and pre-register for the barbecue. Walk-ups will be honored as soon as all of those who pre-registered have been served. If you have not pre-registered, there will also be food available from the vendors serving other game day visitors to the Alumni Center.

Somewhere in there, we'll see an Aggie victory over Tech!

After the game and the business meeting, we'll move back to the Best Western and reopen the Hospitality Room.

SUNDAY

We've left Sunday open for you to make your own plans for brunch, church, further visiting, or just sleeping in before you head back home after a great weekend and Aggie victory over Tech. We hope that you will have had a great time and can't wait until the next opportunity to renew acquaintances again.

VOLUNTEERS

We have opportunities for volunteers to help with various activities during the weekend. If you would like to participate in making this a more memorable weekend for everyone, please let one of us know.

DONATE TO THE CAUSE *The Class of 1980 Hospitality Suite*

Our goal is to totally fund this hospitality room, but it might not happen as our donations are down. Hint. Hint. All amounts are appreciated. Information on how to donate can be found below. And...if you have an Aggie student that would like to help with set-up, re-stocking and clean-up, please have them contact **Michael Cutbirth** at michaelcut@yahoo.com. If we are able to collect enough donations, we will compensate them for taking on this responsibility.

Please send in your contribution to our Class of '80 "It Will Never Close Hospitality Fund." We will use the funds to keep the Hospitality Room supplied with refreshing adult beverages and groceries, and funds permitting, to defray the cost to our Classmates. We will accept individual and corporate donations – large and small.

Make checks payable to: Class of '80 Reunion Fund

Send to: **Michael Cutbirth**
7019 Renfro Drive
Richmond, TX 77469-5929

Reunion Accommodations

A Block of rooms is available on a first-come, first-served-basis, for your Class of 1980 30 Year Reunion at the Best Western at Old Town Center. Make your reservations by calling the hotel directly and mentioning the appropriate group code. The Convention and Visitors Bureau receives weekly updates from hotels regarding room availability. They don't make reservations, but they can point you to the hotels likely to have rooms available. Please call 979-260-9999 to receive those updates. To reserve rooms you can also go to <http://www.visitaggieland.com/> and scroll down to the reservation calendar to find all available room(s).

Best Western - Reunion Headquarter Hotel

1920 Austin's Colony Pkwy — (979) 731-5300

\$180/night, plus tax

Group Name: TAMU Class of '80, 30th Reunion

Group Code: CL80

Hotel Reservation Deadline: **October 8, 2010**

Check-in time: 4:00 p.m.

Check-out time: Noon

Reunion Agenda

CLASS OF 1980 30 YEAR REUNION OCTOBER 29 - 31, 2010 COLLEGE STATION, TX

Friday, October 29

Morning/Early afternoon	Reconnect with Classmates/friends on your own
11:00 a.m.	Golf Outing - Pebble Creek Country Club
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Reunion Registration & Check In begins - Best Western
4:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open
6:30 p.m.	Reunion Check In & Registration Continues, Alumni Center
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Cocktail reception (cash bar) Alumni Center
7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Buffet and visiting at Alumni Center
9:15 - 11:15 p.m.	Dance
	Hospitality room opens after event at Alumni Center

Saturday, October 30

**We will gather at the Alumni Center for a brief program and barbecue meal. If the game is in the morning or early afternoon TV slot, we'll have our meeting after the game. If the game is in the mid-afternoon or evening slot, we'll meet approx. Four hours prior to the game so that we are finished in time for you to take advantage of all of the game day activities.*

TBD	Class Business Meeting, Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center
	Class Gathering, Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center
TBD	Texas A&M v Texas Tech (Game Time is subject to change)
	Hospitality Gathering

Sunday, October 31

Depart at your leisure

CLASS OF '80 REUNION REGISTRATION - OCTOBER 29 - 31 2010
DEADLINES: REUNION REGISTRATION - OCT. 15 - HOTEL RESERVATIONS - OCT. 8

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Daytime Phone: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

REUNION NAMETAGS

Please include the relationship* of each guest and Class Years for all former students of A&M.

* spouse, child, friend, sibling, parent, etc...

Classmate Nametag: _____ Spouse Nametag: _____
 Guest 1 Nametag: _____ Guest 2 Nametag: _____
 Relationship: _____ Relationship: _____

REUNION REGISTRATION & ACTIVITIES

TOTAL

Registration for myself	<input type="checkbox"/> \$5 - Active Member <input type="checkbox"/> \$10 - Non-Active Member	\$								
Registration for Spouse & Guest(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$10 (one time charge, covers all guests)	\$								
I would like to begin my Century Club Benefits today at the \$_____ level. (See Page 3 or website for levels)		\$								
Add a \$10 late fee if registering after October 15.		\$								
Indicate the activities each guest will be attending, including yourself, by filling the boxes on the left and entering your total on the right.										
WHO'S ATTENDING	ACTIVITY	COST/PERSON								
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Classmate	Spouse	Guest 1	Guest 2							
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	Friday Hospitality Room Gathering	Free								
	Evening at Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center	\$25 per person								
	Saturday Tailgate & Business Meeting	\$15 per person								
	Saturday Hospitality Room Gathering	\$5 per person								
GRAND TOTAL FOR REGISTRATION & ACTIVITIES		\$ _____								

Method of Payment: Please one: Check (Payable to The Association of Former Students)
 or Credit Card: Mastercard / Visa / Discover / American Express

Card #: _____ - _____ - _____ - _____ Exp. Date: ____/____ Verification Code*: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

* The last 3 digits of the number printed on the signature line on the back of your card

If you have any special dietary or physical needs, please let us know: _____

Register Online at www.AggieNetwork.com/Reunions or return this form by mail to:
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or fax to 979-845-9263
ATTN: Class of '80 Reunion
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