

Texas A&M University Class of '60



NEWSLETTER

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The 50th Reunion Class is the honored guest at the annual Campus Muster Ceremony. Join us for this special tradition!

HOWDY!

TIME PASSES...FRIENDSHIPS
ENDURE... TRADITIONS
NEVER GRADUATE!

A time honored Aggie Tradition is about to come due for the Class of 1960...our 50th Anniversary Reunion will take place April 19 - 22, 2010 at College Station. Be there! We need to gather and celebrate this 50 year milestone and to honor our Classmates who will attend in spirit.

Time has passed, friendships have endured, and remarkable traditions must be upheld at Muster in 2010. The headline statement above was presented to our Class in remarks by our most senior Class Agent

Don Chase. I don't believe most of us grabbed on to the depth of that statement when **Don** made that comment in Duncan Hall. But today, as we plan for our 50th Reunion, the message takes on a deeper meaning. We need to gather and celebrate and share memories. Call your buddies and invite them to be there with us!

Class of 1960 will be the honored Class at the Campus Muster Ceremony on April 21st. Tradition is that the 50th Reunion Class is the Class that represents all Aggie Alumni from every year at Muster. We are obligated to maintain that role. And this will be our last "stand alone" Reunion as a Class. In 2015 on our 55th Anniversary

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HOWDY

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Reunion, we will be inducted into the Sul Ross Group. The Sul Ross Group is composed of all Classes representing every Aggie graduate of more than 55 years since graduation. So guys, 2010 is our stellar year. Be there!

Now is the time to act! Enclosed, you will find all the details and events surrounding this great Reunion. We sent an email to the 450 or so that we can contact by email in late September and early October. As your Halloween treat, the 960 of you we can reach by mail received a postcard reminder from Moe, Larry and Curley to save the dates. Now this Reunion Mailer gives you the tools to register if you have not done so.

Questions were raised by some of you regarding why a three or four night stay at the Hilton. We sent an email showing what occurs each day. The biggest request from all past Classes has been to leave time to sit down, recall events, celebrate life and have our own space for

this to happen. The Association has arranged with the Hilton for us to have the Oakwood Ballroom as our private Hospitality Room. This is the room by the side doors where we usually load on busses for events on campus. It has a capacity of about 375 and will have a cash bar during many of our events in the hotel. We have secured special rates at that bar. It will be our Class Hospitality Suite with lots of room to spread out in tables and chairs.

In addition, memory tables will be set up for the various outfits. So talk to your buddies to see who has what to display on your outfit table. At the 1959 Reunion, I was chagrined to see a B Jocks guidon on an aircraps table stolen in our Junior year. I was the B Jocks pisshead guidon bearer 1957-1958, and if I had lost it, Whitmire would have hung me from the top of the Jocks dorm. I was on staff as a sergebutt, so not my job to guard the guidon. Also two outfits had bedsheet signs on display that had hung from the dorms. None of the Jock

signs stayed up very long before the Corps Chaplain had them removed. So guys, find pictures, brass, dorm signs, programs and other items to display and remind us all of our years at A&M.

It will be a great Reunion for us, but only if you attend. Class of 1960 has a lot to celebrate. We have a rich heritage. We have a dynamite speaker for our banquet Tuesday night. So dress up a bit. We will be on the main floor as Honor Class for Muster at Reed Arena. Over 12,000 attended this past Muster. Again, a dress up event. So read on. Catch up on Classmate news. Help us find Classmates who are missing or lost. Get us your email address by going to www.AggieNetwork.com and update your information. This is our special Reunion and it will only be a success if you attend.

Be There!
Tom Wisdom
Jerry Bradshaw
Don Chase

WELCOME BACK CLASS OF '60

On behalf of all the students of Texas A&M, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you back home to the Texas A&M Campus for your 50 Year Class Reunion to be held April 21, 2010. I have been privileged this year to have been selected to serve as your liaison to the Muster Committee as well as being fortunate enough to work with your Class Agents in order to assure that your Reunion is well organized and truly memorable.

The Muster committee this year is composed of 30 students dedicated to planning every aspect of the on-campus Muster Ceremony. Our members arrange each event for the celebration of the tradition: everything from compiling the Roll Call for the Absent, planning the Muster BBQ in conjunction with the Class of '60, and selecting a speaker who will deliver the address at the ceremony the night of Muster. This year we are fortunate enough to have Major Stephen G. Ruth '92 as our guest speaker and are eagerly awaiting his arrival back to the A&M Campus.

We are excitedly awaiting your return to campus and hope that you will all enjoy your stay here with us at Aggieland for this year's Muster.

Tillman Ray Davis '09
Muster Committee
Class Reunion Liaison



Hotel Accommodations

Class of '60 Reunion • College Station Hilton — Headquarters Hotel

801 University Drive East • 979-693-7500

Group Code: MUST50 • Group Name: Class of 60-Muster Reunion

Hotel Reservation Deadline: March 29

check-in time: 4:00 p.m.; check-out time: noon

A block of rooms is available on a first-come, first-served-basis, for your Class of '60 50th Anniversary Reunion at the College Station Hilton. Make your reservations by calling the hotel directly and mentioning the appropriate group code. The Convention and Visitor's 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)

**College Station Hilton — Reunion Headquarters Hotel*

801 University Drive East — (979) 693-7500

\$129/night, plus tax

Group Name: Class of 60-Muster Reunion

Group Code: MUST50

Hotel Reservation Deadline: March 29, 2010

** The Hilton rooms sold out quickly last year so be sure make your accommodations soon!*

Campus Muster Tickets

If you will not be riding the bus to Muster, we suggest you arrive at Reed Arena *very early* to find parking. We encourage you to ride the bus, which will park at the facility, so that you can enter on the ground level and walk directly to your seats.

If you do not ride the bus or have guests meeting you at the ceremony, call Former Student Programs (800-392-2096) to request tickets (at no additional charge), which will allow you access to the floor.

Please note that space is limited on the floor of Reed Arena. Classmate / Reunion Registrants will be limited to having one guest sit with them on the floor. All other guests will be placed in a reserved section on the lower level of the Arena.

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: '60 Reunion**; FAX 979-845-9263; or register online at www.AggieNetwork.com/Reunions.

If you have any questions, please call the Former Student Programs office at The Association of Former Students at 800-392-2096.

Your nametags, schedule of events and a list of pre-registered Classmates will be waiting for you at the Reunion Check-In Desk, at the College

Station Hilton starting at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19th. Walk-up Registration will be accepted based on availability. To assure your admission, register before the **April 5** deadline. *All registrations received after the deadline will incur a \$20 late fee. Late registrants are not guaranteed space at events.*

Cancellation Policy

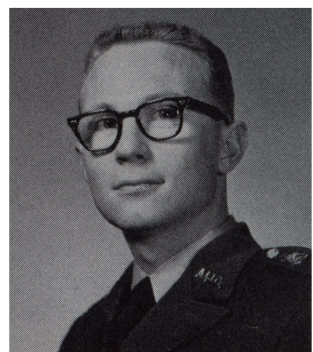
The Association of Former Students has a fairly flexible cancellation policy. If you cannot attend your Reunion or an event for which you have registered, please call the Former Student Programs office (800-392-2096) **at least 72 business hours** prior to the Reunion. Your payment will be refunded with the exception of a small handling fee.

Century Club supports Reunions

Your Class Reunions, Class Newsletters, Class Webpage and other programs for former and current students are funded by donations to The Association of Former Students' Century Club. The Century Club also supports resources on campus that help young Aggies be more competitive after graduation. Donors also receive special benefits. Join the Century Club to help support your Class and make an impact on another Aggies' life. **(Sign up on the registration form.)** Levels of annual giving include: Bronze - \$100; Silver - \$250; Gold - \$500; Diamond - \$1000; Double Diamond - \$2000; Platinum - \$5000; Double Platinum - \$10,000.

CLASSMATES IN THE NEWS

2009 Distinguished Alumni Gala



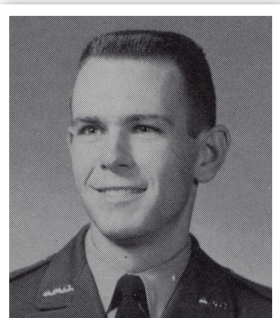
Pete Aldridge was inducted as a Distinguished Alumni at a Gala October 9, 2009, in College Station. **Pete** is the fourth member of the Class of '60 to receive this prestigious award. Other Class of '60 recipients are **Bill Heye**, **Jack Little** and **Jack Rains**. **Pete** is one of only 198 Aggies so designated out of the 450,000 Aggies in the Aggie Network that The Association of Former Students keeps connected. These four men bring great honor to our Class and we salute each of them and look forward to seeing them at our Reunion.

Pete was in Squadron 7 and graduated with a degree in aeronautical engineering from A&M and went on to earn a master's in AE from Georgia Institute of Technology. His 42 year career included leadership roles in the private sector and in government, working for Donald Rumsfeld, serving as Secretary of the Air Force under President Reagan and as Under Secretary of Defense under President George W. Bush. **Pete** is actively involved with A&M, has donated

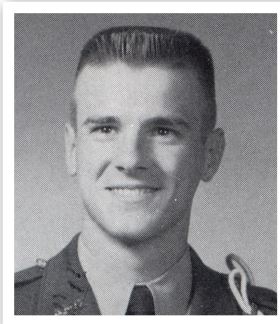
generously to the Department of Aerospace Engineering and is an Endowed Century Club Member of The Association of Former Students.

At the Distinguished Alumni Gala our Class had a Legacy Table sponsored by Development Fund 60 and by **Atkins**, **Bradshaw**, **Chase**, **Heye** and **Wisdom**. It was a great evening to see **Pete** honored along with three other distinguished Aggies.

2010 Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor



Jarrell Gibbs



Bill Heye

Jarrell Gibbs and **Bill Heye** are being inducted in to the Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor on March 6, 2010. This select group of honorees is to recognize members of the Corps who have brought great honor and accomplishments to Texas A&M. **Jarrell** and **Bill** have served the Corps and A&M in dramatic fashion over the past 50 years. The Class of '60 salutes **Jarrell** and **Bill** for bringing such an honor to our Class. It is a very worthwhile recognition for their many years of service to the Corps of Cadets. Thank you guys.

Jack Rains Receives Humanitarian Award

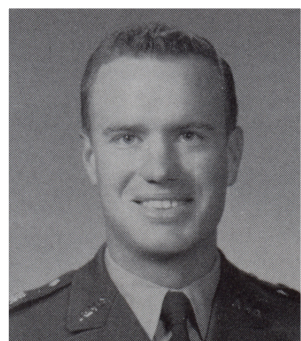


In early 2009, **Jack** received the Milo Hamilton Humanitarian Award from the RBI Foundation in Houston for community service as founding chairman of the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority. This group was the force behind the building of three new state-of-the-art sports facilities in Houston: Minute Maid Park,

Reliant Stadium and the Toyota Center. The award was made at a banquet in Houston with over 800 attendees. The presentation was made by Judge Robert Eckels. The Class salutes you for your accomplishment. It was no small achievement. As a Distinguished Alumni of A&M, a former Secretary of State of the State of Texas, a candidate for Governor of Texas and as the coordinating force behind the House that **Jack** Built (as the Astros Stadium in Houston is known) you have made many contributions to our State and to Texas A&M. It was your effort that brought Mickey Herskowitz to the table to write the book "The Greatest Generations Greatest Team" about the 1939 National Champion Aggies. **Jack** advised me that he has just accepted the position of president for the Houston Club. Frequently receive emails from **Jack**. Interesting how strongly directed his political beliefs seem to be. Makes for insightful reading. Thanks **Jack**.

CLASSMATES IN THE NEWS

Disabled Veteran's Education Program Grows at TAMU



In 2004, **Tom Wallace** (Squadron 12) began a campaign to generate more benefits to wounded veterans returning from battle who needed assistance in furthering their education. While many benefits were available, **Tom** felt that additional assistance could be made available to assist these new students. He used the clout of the Class of '60 thru our reputation as a Class who got things done at A&M which was achieved in no small part from our success with the movie *We've Never Been Licked*. A breakthrough occurred in May of 2005 when President Robert M. Gates established 25 scholarships of \$3000 a year for supplemental expenses while at A&M for these disabled veterans. Dr. Gates recognized the suggestion and efforts of **Tom Wallace** to make this happen. Since then the program has spread to other universities and to an expanded Boot Camp educational program at A&M. I have asked **Byron Blaschke** who lives in College Station to coordinate an effort with that department to see if we can have attendees as our guests at our banquet. **Byron** will be working with **Bob Reeh** and **Tom**

Wallace on this part of our reunion. **Bob** lives in New Braunfels and he, **Byron**, **Tom** and **Tom Wisdom** were part of the "Boys From New Braunfels" who came to A&M as fish in September 1956.

Tom Wallace has had a recent four-way heart bypass and is recovering from surgery. **Bob Reeh** has been helping **Tom** when transportation is needed around town. We hope **Tom** will be able to attend the Reunion, but the recovery process is slow. This program, that he spearheaded starting in 2004, has been of great help to many wounded veterans as **Tom** had hoped. His efforts bring additional credit to the Class of '60 for one more of the many ways we are serving A&M as a Class, showing our thanks for what A&M has done to help each of us grow in life.

CLASS of '60 REUNION CHECK LIST

• Here is What You Need to Do NOW •

Check When Done

- ____ 1. **Hotel Reservation**
Hotel information is on page three.
- ____ 2. **Reunion Registration**
Complete and return the Registration Form found on page seven. You can also register by fax (979-845-9263) or online on your Reunion page on AggieNetwork.com/Reunions. Sign up and attend as many of the activities as you can.
- ____ 3. **Classmates**
Contact your roommate and other close friends and encourage them to attend our Reunion.
- ____ 4. **Transportation**
Complete your transportation plans so you will be sure to arrive on time for all the activities you want to attend.
- ____ 6. **Memorabilia**
We will have tables set up in the Hospitality Room throughout the weekend (secured room) for memorabilia items. Please bring photo albums, scrapbooks, etc so we can have them on display in the hospitality room.
- ____ 7. **Exhibits**
Any special stories you would like to record for posterity? The Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center has a "memories" booth where you can record those stories for future generations plus other must see interactive exhibits.

We hope to see you at this most significant Class Reunion. Let's all celebrate 50 years of friendship when we come home to Aggieland April 19-22, 2010.

CORPS OF CADETS HONOR BRASS

This is dedicated to the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets past and present, but especially to the men and women who have worn the Honor Brass and now are deployed worldwide in defense of Freedom. They have our backs; we their trust and sacred honor! This 50th Anniversary Tribute to the Honor Brass is presented by members of the Class of '60, and Company F-1, winners of the 1960 General George F. Moore Outstanding Company and also the Spencer J. Buchanan Best Engineers Company Flag Awards. Therefore, all members and guests of the Class 1960 are invited to a ceremony at the Sanders Corps Center at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2010.

HISTORY

Many changes took place at Texas A&M during the 1959 – 60 school year; General Earl Rudder '32 was the new president, the University was switching from TAMC to TAMU, and the old system of designating Corps outfits by Service Branches had been replaced by a new general military concept that utilized alphabetical / numerical designations.


That year, a select group of seniors from the Class of 1960, led by **Frank “Buck” Buchanan** and **Percy Mims** met to discuss Class Gift ideas. After some deliberations, **Troy Marceleno**, a member of Company F-1 suggested the creation of a new collar device. He envisioned a design similar to the Corps Staff brass that would do justice to the prestige and accomplishments of A&M and the Corps of Cadets. The group decided to accept his proposal and present it as their legacy to Texas A&M. To accomplish this task, a Corps-wide design competition was held. It was chaired by **Marceleno**, an outstanding artist whose entry was selected by the gift committee. It incorporated a concept proposed by Robert Haggard, an F-1 sophomore, that embodied elements of, “Soldier, Statesman, Knightly Gentleman” attributed to one of our early president's, Governor Lawrence Sullivan Ross; traits that Aggies have sought to emulate since 1876.

Marceleno revised the concept and added the banner in Latin that reads, “PER UNITATEM VIS” (Strength through Unity). The phrase reflects a tenet of battle that states, “Unite to Fight, Disperse to Survive”. It coincided that year with the shift from individual, Service-oriented branch outfits to a more unified Corps-wide concept. Similarly, in ancient times the Etruscans, predecessors to the Roman Empire, used the phrase to describe the Fasces, a metal axe, surrounded and reinforced for strength by wooden rods bound together by leather thongs, that symbolized power, authority and jurisdiction. Today this legacy continues to describe the strength that Aggies draw from one another; that when coupled with the “Spirit Can Ne’er Be Told”, generates a bond of trust among all who study and prevail here at Texas A&M!

Final design details were submitted to the Trigon that spring and the new insignia was worn by the Corps in the fall of 1960. Later, in the fall of 2005, Corps Staff honored the Corps brass by opting to begin using it again as a collar device, instead of their own. By doing so, along with defining its use and issuance requirements, they enhanced the solidarity of the Corps even more. In less than fifty years, the Honor Brass went full-cycle, from being inspired by the Corps Staff brass to actually replacing it.

Today, the insignia is highly esteemed and is known as the, “Corps of Cadets Honor Brass”. It is presented yearly to freshmen and others who have satisfied criteria that assure the continued high-level status of the award.

AGGIE MUSTER: REFLECTIONS



In order to more fully recognize the lives of this year's honored Aggies, personal items will be displayed as a living memorial to the Campus Muster Roll Call honorees. Family members of honorees submit photographs, letters, stories or other personal items which reflect on their friend or loved one's life. This display will offer an insight into who this Aggie was, what they did, and how they touched those around them.

The items will be displayed in Rudder Exhibit Hall on:
Monday April 19th from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tuesday, April 20th from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Wednesday April 21st from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For more information, please email Morgan Trefny and Jamie Boyd at Muster.Reflections@gmail.com.

Softly call the Muster...Let comrade answer here.

Jamie Boyd
Reflections Display Coordinator '10

Lost '60ers

The Association reports that there are 118 of our Classmates that are listed as “Non-mailable”. That is, no one at The Association has a current address for these Classmates, so we are including in this newsletter a listing of these Classmates. If you know the whereabouts of these guys, let us know by contacting the Class Programs Office at 979-845-7514 or Class@Aggienetwork.com or one of your Class Agents. Some may have passed away, moved, etc. Thanks for your help.

We appreciate all of your support in trying to locate our “lost” Classmates.

Mr. Charles A. Alders
Mr. William P. Anderson
Mr. Roy L. Angermiller
Mr. Fredrick V. Baird
Mr. John H. Bannworth
Mr. Roberto Barrientos
Dr. Jarod L. Baugh
Mr. James R. Bell
Mr. Charles A. Benson
CPT Richard C. Bitgood
Mr. Hubert J. Boles
Mr. Jon D. Bothager
Mr. Russell T. Boyd
Mr. John H. Brewer
Mr. Frank J. Burianek
Mr. Kinan D. Burk
Mr. Henry G. Burnett
Dr. Carol D. Calder
Mr. Camilo Cardoze
Mr. Douglas K. Carriger
Mr. Will D. Chapman
Mr. James R. Chapman
Mr. Prabhakar N. Chaudhari
Dr. Edward F. Chiburis
Mr. Robert L. Compton
Mr. Patrick J. Decker
Mr. Kenneth R. Duggan
Mr. William R. Easter
MAJ Arnold E. Ebnetter
Mr. Robert J. Edmonds
Mr. Alan R. Ford
Mr. Calvin R. Freeman
Mr. Don B. Frels
Mr. William H. Fugeman
Mr. Raul Garcia
MAJ James R. Garey
Mr. Raymond Ginglewood
Mr. Frank S. Glenn
Mr. John E. Goode
Mr. Charles L. Graff
Mr. Jervis L. Griffith
Mr. Guillermo Guerra

Mr. Roy T. Gunn
Mr. Jack A. Haney
Mr. Hershel W. Harper
Mr. Joe E. Harris
Mr. Bobby D. Herod
Mr. Dock P. Huddleston, Jr.
Mr. Steve B. Ingram
Mr. Abdiel Jaramillo
Mr. Wade D. Johnson
Mr. Robert H. Jones
Mr. Rodney W. Kappmeyer
Mr. Charles M. Kohler
Mr. Thomas W. Lawrence
Mr. Stanley R. Lee
Mr. Don J. LeNoir
Mr. Winston W. Loehr
Mr. Paul E. Lokey
Mr. William F. Lowe, Jr.
Mr. Frank R. Marlow
MAJ Winford E. Mauldin
Mr. Henry J. Mauldin
Mr. David C. Maza
Mr. Bryan D. McCool
Mr. Charles H. Meyer, Jr.
Dr. Mdabbus S. Mia
Mr. Robert A. Nelms
CPT Lester D. Nichols
Mr. Gilbert E. Nickles, Jr.
Mr. Joe M. Nolan
Mr. Jorge L. Oliva
Dr. Obie L. Oliver, Jr.
Mr. Russell E. Olufs
Mr. Joseph L. Pagaza
Mr. Francisco J. Pardo
CPT Joseph D. Pettet
Mr. Lew V. Plotts, Jr.
Mr. Davey L. Poe
CPT Bobby R. Poole
Mr. Jerry L. Powledge
Mr. Eduardo G. Quirch
Dr. Don R. Reynolds
Mr. Billy M. Rheudasil

Mr. Erman E. Rhoten
Mr. Roderick E. Rider
Mr. Robert R. Rix
Mr. James F. Roberts
Mr. John J. Robertson
Mr. John L. Rogers, Jr.
Mr. John D. Roop
Mr. Leon W. Sanders
Mr. Manuel E. Sayavedra
Mr. Pete T. Scamardo
Mr. Gerald K. Schulze
Mr. James B. Sellers
Mr. Robert E. Smith
Mr. James D. Smith
Mr. Ronald T. Smith
Mr. Raymond R. Streger
Mr. Berkley L. Van Langen
MAJ Corydon A. Veley, Jr.
Mr. Samuel P. Walker III
Mr. J. W. Walls
Dr. Patrick E. Watson
Mr. John P. Wetherell
Mr. Paul L. Whitlock
Mr. Howard B. Wilkerson
Mr. Lewis W. Wilkerson
Mr. Jerome B. Wilkin
Mr. Elmer E. Willard
MAJ Lee H. Wilson
Mr. Leslie C. Wilson
Mr. Ernest S. Wood
Mr. Charles D. Yost, Jr.
1LT James R. Young
Mr. Simon C. Ysrael

CLASS OF 1960

50th CLASS REUNION

Monday, April 19

12:30 p.m.

Golf Outing, Pebble Creek Country Club (Spouses are welcome to play)
Golf participants please visit Reunion website to view the Club House rules for course

1:00 p.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Begins, Hilton

1:00 p.m. – Midnight

Hospitality Room opens (Cash Bar & Light Snacks), Oakwood Ballroom

6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Class Buffet – Hilton Ballrooms

Tuesday, April 20

8:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Reunion Registration & Check In Continues, Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center

8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet – Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Corps Honor Brass ceremony honoring Class of 1960 - Sanders Corps Center

On Your Own

Reconnect with campus including Rudder Tower Visitors Center, Walking Tour of Campus, Sanders Corps Center, Sports Museum, George Bush Presidential Library, Bonfire Memorial, etc.

11:00 a.m.

Reunion Registration & Check In Continues, Hilton

Noon – Midnight

Hospitality Room (Cash Bar) – Hilton Oakwood Ballroom

3:00 p.m.

Class of 1960 Business Meeting – Hilton Oakwood Ballroom

6:00 p.m.

Cocktails (Cash Bar) – Hilton Ballrooms

6:30 p.m.

Class Banquet (Coat & Tie) – Hilton Ballrooms

Keynote Speaker: Jim Olson, Senior Lecturer, CIA-Officer-in-Residence, at the Bush School of Government and Public Service

Wednesday, April 21

6:30 a.m.

Buses depart Hilton for Campus

7:00 a.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Continues, Hilton

7:05 – 9:00 a.m.

Corps of Cadets Morning Formation & Flag Raising Ceremony at Academic Building Plaza honoring Class of '60 followed by breakfast with the Corps at Duncan Dining Center (Buses return to Hilton following breakfast)

9:45 a.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Closes, Hilton

9:45 a.m.

Buses leave Hilton for Class Photo, Campus Bus Tour and Muster BBQ

10:15 a.m.

Class Photo on the main steps of the Jack Williams Systems Building (Classmate's only) Guided Campus Bus Tour after Class Photo

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Continues, Simpson Drill Field in front of MSC

11:00 a.m.

Muster BBQ with Students on campus at Simpson Drill Field

1:00 p.m.

Buses begin shuttling from Simpson Drill Field to Hilton

2:00 p.m.

Last bus departs Simpson Drill Field for Hilton

3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Continues, Hilton

3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Hospitality Room opens (Cash Bar) – Hilton Oakwood Ballroom

4:00 p.m.

1st Showing of Silver Taps Presentation – North & South 40 Ballroom

4:30 p.m.

2nd Showing of Silver Taps Presentation – North & South 40 Ballroom

5:00 p.m.

3rd Showing of Silver Taps Presentation – North & South 40 Ballroom

6:00 p.m.

Buses leave Hilton for Reed Arena

7:00 p.m.

Campus Muster (Coat & Tie) – Class of '60 Reserved Seating on Main Floor, Reed Arena - Buses return to Hilton immediately following Muster

9:00 – 11:00 p.m.

Reception (food) & Cocktails (Cash Bar) – Hilton Ballrooms

Thursday, April 22

7:30 a.m.

Reunion Registration and Check In Continues, Hilton

8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet – Hilton Ballrooms

Keynote Speaker:

TBD

Depart at your leisure

CLASS OF 1960 REUNION REGISTRATION FORM - APRIL 19 - 22, 2010

Reunion Registration Deadline: April 5 - Hotel Reservation Deadline: March 29

Name: _____ Class: _____ Phone: _____

☐ Home ☐ Bus.

Email: _____

☐ Home ☐ Bus.

Preferred Address: _____

☐ Home ☐ Bus.

City, _____ State _____ ZIP: _____

REUNION NAMETAGS

Please include the relationship* of each guest & Class Years for all A&M former students (*child, friend, sibling, parent, etc...)

Classmate Nametag: _____ Spouse Nametag: _____

Guest 1 Nametag: _____ Relationship: _____

Guest 2 Nametag: _____ Relationship: _____

REGISTRATION & ACTIVITIES

TOTAL

*Registration for myself <input type="checkbox"/> \$30				\$
The registration fee and prices below include transportation to and from events, meal gratuity, facility, hospitality room, meal, Classmate gift, audio/visual equipment and other fees that may apply.				\$
Registration for Spouse & Guest(s) <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 (one time charge, covers all guests)				\$
I would like to begin my Century Club Benefits today at the \$ _____ level. (See Page 3 for levels)				\$
Add a \$20 late fee if returning after April 5. (On-site Registration will incur an additional fee.)				\$
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				COST/PERSON
Classmate	Spouse	Guest 1	Guest 2	ACTIVITY
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday Golf Outing, (includes lunch, green fee and cart) Handicap: _____ \$67 ea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Team preference: _____ \$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monday Cocktails (cash bar) and Buffet, Hilton \$30 ea \$
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuesday Breakfast, Clayton W. Williams, Jr. Alumni Center \$12 ea \$
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I asked for a SITREP/update from our guys and man was I inundated. Here are the condensed updates (info added in some cases) to let you know what we have been up to in the past 50 years. NOTE: Not responsible for errors! If I make you mad, replace me as Class Agent. I need the break.

Stars over the Hilton. Two general officers from our Class will join us for our Reunion. **Ed** and Ellen **Solymosy** live in College Station and **Ed** says they plan to commute to the Reunion on horseback. They raise horses and boer goats on their spread out by Pebble Creek. So if you see two horses tied up in front of the Hilton, you know **Ed** is on deck. I assume he has started wearing crossed sabers brass now. **Ed Hall** lives in Spartanburg, SC, and will join us at the Hilton. **Ed** retired from active duty in 1980 and stayed in the guard in South Carolina. He was promoted to brigadier general in 2001 and retired in 2006. After a long career at Wofford College he retired in 2004. Best I can tell that is three retirements. **Ed**, have you talked to the post office? **Ed** still is a prolific writer with over forty books in print. So guys, we will have generals among us so be on your best behavior. If I have missed any other of our generals in attendance, mea culpa. I will spend the Reunion on bull ring, but I have been there before.

Duke **Burnett** lives in East Texas outside of Canton. He has a small farm with lots of critters to keep up with. Lots of work, but lots of fun. All four kids went to A&M and a granddaughter at A&M that is a Junior. He plans to come to the Reunion.

Don **Chase** has served as our Class Agent since 1965. Thanks to **Don** for 45 years of Class Service. **Chase** attended a Reunion this past spring of the 1959 SWC Baseball Champion Texas Aggies. **Don** was the catcher on that team. I give him credit as being All SWC. Think he

denies it, but if he could throw the ball to second like he throws the ball to **Bradshaw** and me now when things need to get done, he should have been All SWC. **Don** is the force behind the very successful Class of 1960 luncheon that meets every month in the Dallas area. **Don** was also just elected to serve on the board of directors of the Lettermans Association at A&M.

Troy **Marceleno** was the force behind creating the Corps Brass that was designed by Class of '60 as our Class Gift our senior year. That set of brass has taken on the status as the Corps Honor Brass to be worn by cadets who achieve that award. A formal dedication of that brass will be made to the Corps of Cadets during our 50th Reunion at 10:00 a.m. on the 20th at the Sanders Corps Center. Please see the Reunion schedule for details and the registration packets at the Reunion. More honors for Class of '60.

Ken **Keller** is retired from the Air Force. He serves as treasurer of The Order of Daedalians (fraternity of military pilots) and currently lives in Austin. Adventure hiking is a hobby. Last year he spent a month in New Zealand and last summer spent some time in Yellowstone and Glacier Park. This February **Ken** will be in Turkey and Egypt for three weeks. In May, he will be in Kauai, Hawaii, to hike the Na Pali Coast. **Ken** walks about four miles every day and swims in Barton Creek. He says, "Life is good and I will be at the Reunion."

Tommy **Lancaster** will be at Reunion. After 38 years in education, he retired as a school superintendent. He is now selling promotional products (trinkets and beads) and lives in Winters, Texas. **Tommy** has a travel trailer and 12 grandchildren and goes to their sporting events and takes them deer hunting.

Bionicman **Percy Mims** lives in Jamestown NY. **Bill Heye** reports that **Percy** had a hip replacement in late January but will be at the Reunion. Then will have the other hip done in May. **Bill** said **Percy** has a computer but still does not have it online. And this is the guy who wrote an ethics manual for our Class. No wonder we all turned out so well.

John **Bowman** will be coming in from San Jose, Costa Rica, for the Reunion. Afterwards, they go back to Dallas and will be staying at the Holiday Inn in Richardson until the 28th. **John's** company merged with a competitor in 2009 and he retired, but still works installing hydroelectric turbines in Costa Rica and Latin America. NOTE: Retirement is an elusive object for we hard chargers of 1960!

Mike **Briggs** and his wife, Peggy, from Bryan, live in Winnsboro in a log cabin on 40 acres. He retired in 2003 and is looking forward to the Reunion including golf. He enjoys singing and playing guitar at his church. (Maybe we can have a gospel music hour in the Oakwood Room. A lot of our guys are active in their music groups at church).

Tom **Brown** plans to attend the Reunion. He lives in Naples, Florida half year and then in Illinois. Retired from GE at age 54 and is a golf junky and flies his Piper Arrow.

Dr. **Bill Seeker** retired in July 2007 from Florida Keys Community College after serving 27 years as president. **Bill** was from Brenham and was in A Infantry. **Murski** and **Seeker** were joined at the hip. They were diamonds in the rough as I recall (being in the jocks had me on their level). He served three years in airborne infantry and got out as a captain. Went to work as a cancer research tech at MD Anderson and in 1964 got a master's in biology

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from Sam Houston. In 1969 he got a doctorate in higher administration from A&M. Headed to Hillsborough College in Florida and rose to vice president in 10 years. Then to Florida Keys as president. **Bill** had a sign on his desk that said "No Whining". He was referred to as the redneck educator. At age 60 when opening a new building at Key West, **Bill** arrived by helicopter hanging from a rope beneath the chopper. **Bill** has donated over \$250000 to FKCC and is shooting for a half mil which the college will match for a Million Dollar

Endowment. The diamond shined up real good. I am trying to locate **Bill** to get him to the Reunion. Hey **Murski**, can you help us?

Bill Regan lives in Dallas and Buena Vista, CO. He is a retired investment banker and plays lots of golf and fly fishes. He plans to be at the Reunion!

Bill Houchin lives in Richardson. Retired in 2000 as VP for Alcatel/DSC Comm. He serves on building committee of First Methodist Church

in Richardson. Plays golf four days a week and has become a serious artist in oils where h paints landscapes, still lives and portraits. Hope you will join us **Bill**.

Craig Trotman lives in the Dallas Area and will be at the Reunion. Not that is a short SITREP.

Paul Cooke plans to attend the 50th Reunion. **Paul** retired from the airforce as a Col in 1989 with 6800 flight hours and 52 combat support

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TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY NEWS



Dr. Loftin Confirmed As Texas A&M's 24th President

Dr. R. Bowen Loftin '71 was formally named the 24th president of Texas A&M University Feb.12. He was selected as the sole finalist for the position last month after an extensive nationwide search and had served as interim president of the flagship university for more than six months.

The nine-member Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System unanimously approved Dr. Loftin's selection during a special telephonic meeting after the state-mandated 21-day period to officially name him president of the nation's seventh-largest university.

"The extensive and inclusive search process that we conducted to find

the very best individual to lead the flagship institution of the A&M System resulted in the conclusion that we already had the right person in place. Today we have confirmed and formalized that decision," said Board of Regents Chairman Morris E. Foster.

"As the university deals with the realities of uncertain economic times, I can think of no better person to lead Texas A&M as we work tirelessly to maintain our firm commitment to ensure that students continue to receive a top-quality education at an affordable price," Foster continued. "Dr. Loftin has a proven record as a visionary leader, and I believe that under his continued leadership, Texas A&M will not only remain a strong and resilient university, but will become even greater."

Dr. Loftin previously served for four years as a vice president and chief executive officer of Texas A&M University at Galveston, the institution's marine-oriented branch campus, where he also is professor of maritime systems engineering. He was

widely applauded for his leadership during Hurricane Ike, which resulted in moving the entire Galveston campus operation to the main campus in College Station – an effort believed to be unprecedented in higher education.

"I am humbled and deeply honored to lead Texas A&M, my alma mater, and truly one of the top universities in the nation," Dr. Loftin said. "I am extremely grateful for the extraordinary support of the Board of Regents, Chancellor McKinney and the entire Aggie family during my tenure as interim president, and I pledge to continue to do my very best to ensure that Texas A&M remains a great university."

As a 1970 physics graduate of Texas A&M, Dr. Loftin joins the ranks of a select few individuals chosen to lead his alma mater. He also holds an M.A. and Ph.D. from Rice University, earned in 1973 and 1975, respectively, both also in physics. Born in Hearne, Loftin grew up in Navasota, located about 20 miles south of the Texas A&M campus.

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missions, mostly in the big birds. From 1989-2006 he was involved in local government in Tampa as a tax collector and appraiser. Man, I gotta get him on our Class Gift Project.

John Jaeckle lives in Granbury, Texas. He plays golf four times a week with a 16 handicap. He sees **Stan Weid** a lot who lives about a mile away. **John** works out four times a week and teaches a bible study group. He helps his wife, Joan, with her counseling business and they travel a lot. He reads and studies national military and political issues, likes to bird hunt and works the 14 pecan trees in his yard. **John**, will you make the Reunion?

John also sent in a report on **Ken Dyson** a while back with a website to go to regarding **Ken's** exploits as a test pilot on some very secret aircraft for the airforce: www.f-117a.com/HB2.html I just looked at it earlier today and it was a thrill reading it again. **Ken**, if you get this, are you going to make the Reunion? Let me hear from you.

Elsie Dressen sent me an email. **Glenn Dressen** passed away in 1995. They had lived in Lake Jackson and three years ago she moved back home to Bryan. Wanted to thank the Class of 1960 for including her on all Class information. As a side note, any spouses of Aggies who want to stay involved with The Association may do so. The Association will keep them on the Class Rosters. And we will certainly welcome any of our deceased Classmates wives to attend any Class events especially the 50th Reunion.

Otto Hoernig lives in Great Falls, VA. In 2009, **Otto** endowed a \$100,000 engineering scholarship to A&M. This is the latest of many donations **Otto** has made to A&M and the Corps. He earned a master's in aerospace systems management at USC. **Otto** has a long career in the space field, and was designated as a

space shuttle payload specialist but the flight was cancelled following the Challenger incident. Today, **Otto** is the principal of Hoernig Enterprises which invests in what he calls "fun projects and businesses". Evidently he has an investment in Casa Norte Distillery in northern Mexico, as he has contacted **Chase** about having a Tequila tasting party at our Reunion. I am involved with the Hilton now to see how we can make the rules work so it is kosher and does not get TABC on the hotel's back. Maybe we will have to adjourn the group to the claypits.

Got emails from **Foy Royder** and **Jim Zlomke**. **Foy** is in the Bulverde area as is **Harold Henk**. **Jim** lives in Canyon Lake as does **Ed Marshall**. **Wisdom** lives in Blanco, so we are going to have a lunch some place in the hill country shortly. Hell, the Dallas '60ers don't have anything on us hill country Aggies. Will try to get **Spencer Bulger** as our first speaker of note. As of now all of us will be at the Reunion.

Fred Kristiansen will make the Reunion. During his junior year, he transferred from New Mexico Military Institute. After graduating, he went in the navy for three years. He is still working at Eastham Forge in Beaumont. **Fred** and I talked and he told me that forge can handle something like 60 ton castings. Wow! Hope I got that right.

Jon Jackson lives in Dallas. After A&M, **Jon** went to Navy OCS and served a lot of time at sea including tours off Vietnam in 65-66-67. He joined Texas Instruments in the semiconductor business. After 33 years with TI in Texas, California, and Ohio he moved back to Texas to retire in 2000. He and his wife have property near Meridian and go back and forth between Dallas and the ranch, and says there is a great winery in Meridian. He believes he will be at the Reunion.

Jack Elrod is retired and lives in Temple. After graduation, he spent three years with the 3rd Armored Cav in Germany. I was with 2nd of the 4th Armored Cav at the same time. Suspect we scrimmaged against each other at Grafenwohr or along the Czech border. Jack spent 36 years with the USDA and 30 years in the Texas National Guard retiring as a Colonel. Both his kids are Aggies. **Jack** says retirement is Great! NOTE: Was told by one of our Classmates that **Jack** just had an extended hospital stay from an infection he picked up in the hospital that they just could not get on top of for the longest time. I received an email from **Jack** on 2-16-10, stating that he will be in the hospital until March 1st. That will be eight weeks. At least he gets to go home during the day now and has to come back in the evening for monitoring overnite. His email address is AggieJWE@aol.com if you want to shoot him a note. Get well **Jack**.

Bernie Boarnet lives in New Braunfels. He stayed in the army reserves and retired. **Bernie** still works as a real estate appraiser and teaches continuing education in that field. His wife, Esther, still sells real estate in New Braunfels. Two of their four children are Aggie grads. They have six grandkids who keep them busy and they plan to be at the Reunion.

Ed Saenz was my roomie half of our pisshead year. After graduation, he was on active duty for six months then went to graduate school for international management. He has had many businesses for medical equipment manufacturers in various international locations. He still does international consulting today and has done business in 60 countries and currently lives in Westport, Connecticut. His two sons are Carlyle and Byron. Byron was named for our Classmate **Byron Stone**

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who was killed in Vietnam. **Byron** and **Ed** had many classes together as juniors and seniors and got to be good friends. Today **Ed** and wife Marilene are caring for their little grandson Jayden while Jayden's mother is serving in southern Afghanistan. Spoke to **Ed** earlier this week and Jayden was loud and clear in the background. Have fun Grandpa **Ed**! Will see you at the Reunion.

Bob Hammons will make the Reunion. Last 20 years were spent developing hotels for Best Western. He retired two years ago to Lewisville Lake in Shady Shores, Texas. **Bob** travels a lot and also spends time sitting on the deck looking at the lake and sipping a "few". He raised four kids of which one is an Aggie married to an Aggie. Eight grandkids of which seven are four years old or younger. **Bob** says they stay busy.

Bill Edge will attend our Reunion and lives in The Woodlands. He has nine grandkids and the oldest just graduated from A&M. Thanks to Class of '60 for the scholarship Travis received.

Bob Beazley lives in Fairview, Texas, half the year and half in Creede, Colorado. He has five children and 13 grandkids. He says, "life is good and we are blessed."

Chuck Chamberlain spent 20 years active duty and then retired. Lot of time as a special forces officer. He then had 28 years as a telecom. Now executive now lives in Heritage Ranch in Fairview Texas where he plays golf and poker weekly. **Chuck** enjoys time with the grandkids and makes the Dallas Class of 1960 monthly meetings. He also goes to all A&M home football games and is active in Dallas Chapter of Military Order of World Wars and a Life Member of the Special Forces Association. **Chuck** takes his vitamins every day and will definitely be at the Reunion.

Bob Adams lives in Ft. Worth and received his degree in architecture from A&M. He says architecture has really changed since 1960. His son Ash graduated from Yale with a degree in architecture and now works in Ft. Worth. Ash is a magician and first performed in Las Vegas at 13. Had a magic tv show in California after graduating from Yale and while practicing architecture. **Bob** does not think he can make the Reunion because he and his wife are caregivers for his 93 year old mother and an 80 year old aunt. Sends his regards to all of us.

Olin Brown is our Class email representative. Thanks **Olin**. He lives in College Station now and will be at the Reunion. He was in the Air Force from 61 to 65 and retired as a Captain in the reserves. He and wife, Sue, have two children. Scott is a graduate of the fire training school at A&M and Sara is Class of '93. **Olin** worked at Texaco for 34 years and retired in 2000. Then worked for seven years for an independent fuel distributor in Ft. Worth. Moved to College Station in 2008. **Olin** sends out emails for us, but we think Sue is the real brains behind the operation.

Jerry Bradshaw is still a full time senior lecturer in the chemical engineering department. He really loves his work helping develop the leaders for tomorrow from the crop of Aggies that have sprung up in his classroom. **Jerry** is very active in his church and choir. He still conducts symposiums for professionals in the industrial instrumentation and is frequently asked to consult on particular projects. **Jerry** and Sandra enjoy cruises when possible, and he works hard in his job as a Co-Class Agent and brings sanity to the going ons with **Chase** and **Wisdom**. He plays a lot of golf at Pebble Creek, but no where near as much as **Biondi** seems to get in. Naturally will make the long commute to the Reunion.

Gary Lilly lives in Spring, Texas. Not your ordinary retiree as **Gary** is still very active in competitive senior softball at a national level. Plays on several teams that tour around the country and play many seniors tournaments. He was telling me some of names of the guys on his team and more than one former pro athlete's name popped up. **Gary** plans to be at the Reunion in April.

Leonard Barker still lives in Houston, still working and enjoying it and will see us at the Reunion. Another short sitrep. My job is getting easier!

Bill Barfield lives in Stillwater and is an emeritus regents professor at Oklahoma State. He also holds the same honor at the University of Kentucky in Lexington. **Bill** also works as a senior engineer at Woolpert, Inc out of Dayton, Ohio. He and wife, Annette, are active in their church, volunteer with several local groups, and travel. **Bill** is active in professional engineer societies and is planning to be at the Reunion.

Bob Province has been in Waco since 1963. He retired in 2003 and is active in his church and in the community. He recently attended the men's basketball game against Baylor in College Station. **Bob**, will you make the Reunion? Be sure and slap an Aggie decal over the Baylor decal on your back window.

Alton Meyer sends word that he lives in College Station and will make the long journey to the Reunion. **Trotman** taught him how to write Sitreps.

Bill Jobe will be coming in from Aspen for the Reunion. Was glad to hear the Hilton is "dog friendly" since he will be coming to the Reunion after a fishing trip near his hometown of Athens and he will have Outlaw, his Golden Retriever

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with him. **Bill** just retired as EVP of worldwide sales for Onstor Inc, a "network attacked storage system" (**Bill's** words, not mine) in Northern California. He is enjoying skiing with his grandson, daughter and son-in-law.

Walt Breen plans to be at our 50th Reunion. He is taking time out of his demanding schedule of loving his wife, sleeping-in, playing golf, going to the doctor, watching Survivor and Amazing Race, hanging with the grandkids, visiting mom, traveling on vacation, and many other challenging endeavors in order to attend the Reunion. **Walt** looks forward to seeing all the old soldiers, sailors and airmen, be they former cadets or regulars. Thanks **Walt**, now get back to Opry. Look to see if there is a key on the bottom of your lounge. (your chair, not your butt!)

Harla 'Del' Cox of White Band lives in Monument, Colorado. He retired after 23 years in the Air Force and then 17 years of civil service with Air Force Space Command. **Del** said he retired on the 14th fairway of the Woodmore Pines Golf Course. Still very active in his church and Gideons International that places Bibles in hotels, motels and hospitals. He has two children and a grandchild. Working on the eighth draft of his book on "Volunteer Program Management—Answers to Basic Questions by the Numbers" (**Del**, I need a copy of that book fast. Class Agent is more of a job than **Chase** told me it would be.) Hope you will join us at the Reunion.

Jim Anderson was in the White Band and is retired in Longboat Key, Florida. He will be at the Reunion. A concise Sitrep.

Charlie Laningham and his wife, Frances, own a number of apartment complexes in College Station under their management company Jamestown Management, including Reveille Ranch where the

freshman football players live. They plan to be at the Reunion in April. They are active in the business but are in the process of turning it over to their two children and in time to the grandchildren. At their recent 50th wedding anniversary, they had **Jack Kingston** come down from Connecticut. He had not seen **Jack** since graduation. Talked **Jack** and Jayne in to coming to the Reunion. Wonderful!! Two more diamonds in the rough polished up OK. Shame on you other outfits for thinking the Jocks and the Straightlegs were a bunch of hellraisers. See **Percy**, we were really OK.

Dick Ghiselin lives in Kingwood and will be at the Reunion. He sent me a bunch of pictures from a camera he proudly bought as a senior. Had a great photo from one of the parties of **Byron Stone** and his date. The pix will be at the Reunion in the hospitality room. Be sure to check them out. **Dick** had very nice photos of he and his Mom at Mother's Day formation. **Percy**, we Jocks really had a nice side to us. By the way, was that the formation where the pig and the goose came up out of the steam tunnels? Or was that when the prophylactic machine was found wired to the oak tree on the parade grounds? Obviously some aircraps outfit did it. But I digress....

Al Zambrano will be at Reunion. He lives in Fair Oaks Ranch and is retired Air Force colonel and retired pilot at Continental and has finally stopped flying. **Al** has an extraordinary album of pix from our days at A&M that he will have at the Reunion. **Al**, did you let that goose out of the steam tunnel?

We never hear from **Spencer Bulger**. Such a shy retiring type. Maybe we can get **Bugler** to tutor **Mims** on internet protocol at the Reunion. **Spencer**, are you out there? Send us an email letting us know you will be at the Reunion. **Bulger** lives in

San Antonio and I see him often. He, **Zambrano**, **Gene Marshall** and I had lunch recently discussing recruiting efforts in the SA area, as well as the Trigon.. Those three guys work their buns off helping get students to A&M and in the Corps. Thank you guys. Great job.

Charlie Graf lives in Vernon, Texas, and plans to be at the Reunion. (Guys, don't be alarmed on our MIA report when you see a **Charles L Graff** listed. We don't know who it is and The Association shows he graduated in 1960 with a degree in civil engineering) **Charlie**, said it was cold in Vernon and he was freezing. He said he is too old to live without electricity. He is retired, works with the Lions Club and Texas Lions Camp, his church, feeds the wildlife and then hunts a lot, goes for coffee, feeds a few calves and works with the Boys and Girls Clubs and 4-H. Enjoys the heck out of his 10 grandchildren, goes to all A&M home football games, takes a cruise ever so often and a few other things to stay busy. Life is Good! God Bless!! See you at Reunion.

Walt Goff retired from American Airlines in August 2009. He and Marilyn celebrated their 50th last year and live in Arlington. They are looking forward to the Reunion. (Noted that Marilyn sent the email. **Spencer**, we will have to set up a class for you to run in the Oakwood Room)

Jim 'Beetle' Bailey decided to give me a break on this next sitrep. He owns a construction company and will be at the Reunion. Way to go **Beetle**.

Ralph Petersen reports that farming is his most expensive hobby. He lives in Blessing, Texas, he spends his spare time fishing in the bays around Matagorda, guiding on a deer ranch near Encinal and helps at the Danish Museum in Danevang. **Ralph**, will you make it to the Reunion?

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Jarrell Gibbs lives in Hot Springs, Arkansas having retired as president of TXU Corp in 2002. He is chairman of the board of Christian College in York, Nebraska, chair of Texas A&M Research Foundation, former chair of Corps of Cadets Board of Visitors, attends home football games at A&M, teaches bible classes and spends the summers in the second home he and Cynthia have in Depot Bay, Oregon. He has four active teenage granddaughters whose events and sports are keeping him away from the golf course. Looks forward to seeing us at the Reunion. Note the earlier article where **Jarrell** is being inducted in to the Corps of Cadets Hall of Honor along with **Bill Heye**. Obviously those fine gentlemen knew nothing of the steam tunnels back in the day.

Bob Berger and his wife, Ann, live outside Wichita Falls on their ranch. **Bob's** sitrep pointed out that in spite of the fact that we announced his demise at our 45 Year Reunion, he is alive and well and because of our announcement he was determined to live and refused to die. In 2007, he was still fighting cancer and was down to 129 pounds. He is now back up to a respectable 195 pounds. The inoperable tumor is still present but radiation and chemo have kept it dormant. He says the treatments do tend to ruin his disposition but Ann helps him thru it. He has had an interesting five years and looks forward to this Reunion to prove it. **Bob** and Ann recently made a significant contribution to the A&M Foundation. In 1956 **Bob** was a poor farm boy who got an Opportunity Award scholarship. He got his Pet. Eng. degree and joined Getty Oil. This is **Bob's** way to help future generations of Aggies achieve what he was able to enjoy. They have retired to run the ranch raising registered Angus cattle. Ann served as ranch foreman while **Bob** was battling cancer. He says **Duke Burnett** refers to Ann as **Bob's** trophy wife of 40 years. **Bob**

is a director in the American Angus Association, on the board of the Texas Angus Association, had a chance last year to do some acrobatic flying in a WWII trainer that actually made the evening tv news in Wichita Falls, he and Ann had the 2009 Texas Angus Directory dedicated to them along side a picture of another big Angus rancher Mathew McConaughy and his lover. **Bob** retired after 23 years as chairman of the Wichita Falls A&M Club, overseeing 12 scholarships. NOTE: You can see why **Bob** has said he has had an interesting five years. Look forward to seeing him at the Reunion to tell us "See, I told you it wasn't so"

Bob Garner and Pat live on a mountaintop in Charleston, WV. He retired from Union Carbide as director of engineering in 2001. They have three daughters and six grandkids under 8 years old, so it keeps them hopping around the country to visit them. **Bob** and wife do community volunteer work, travel and spend months on their trawler HULLABALOO. They have traveled to Australia, New Zealand, Norway, Alaska, Turkey and Greece. Last winter was cruising in the Hullabaloo off the west coast of Florida. After our Reunion they will begin a 10 month cruise on the Hullabaloo around the eastern part of the U.S. starting from where the Mississippi hits the gulf. (I offered to be a deckhand and cook. **Bob** is accepting applications at the Reunion.)

Tom Wisdom says, "I don't do much. Just lay around the shack waiting for the mail train to come back. I'm sort of thinking about coming to the Reunion. Still have the direct mail advertising business that we are passing on to our son Tony. But still too many good customers out there and hundred dollar bills are laying on the ground that I can't afford not to pick up. I'm very active in our Franchise Advisory Committee and I am on the board at EdenHill Communities retirement community

in New Braunfels and concurrently involved as co-chair of our Centennial Gala with about 500 people attending March 26th. Our daughter and husband have TipTop cleaners in New Braunfels and we even have a few scheckels in that operation. It gets us good prices on our cleaning. I am also active in the New Braunfels Chamber and participate in some of the highly influential luncheons at the Bowling Alley Café in Blanco. On occasion I do a few things for the Class of '60. The Development Fund '60 still generates money for the Class. I also try to keep Judy off my back because of all the irons in the fire that keep me from retiring. How she has tolerated me for so long since we met at Camp Warnecke in New Braunfels in 1955 is a wonder to me. It is a real tribute to the WONDERFUL LADIES that many of we guys from the Class of '60 had the great fortune to marry. Man, what a bunch of lumps of coal we were. They knew we would all be diamonds some day (wasn't there a song about that?) and they proved it by polishing us up and making us shine. Besides, buying all those diamonds for them is what made us work so hard. And they deserve every single one of them. LADIES...YOU WONDERFUL DARLINS, we thank you so very much for turning these old lumps of coal in to the somewhat imperfect diamonds we have become. Guys, share this with your LADY. God knows we need every point we can get."

'Nuff SITREPS. Hope I haven't messed too many of them up or forgot to work someone in that shot me a sitrep. Lets gather in the Oakwood Room to recall many wonderful memories and to honor Classmates who are no longer with us. They will be there in Spirit. YOU BE THERE!



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