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ETHS Class of '62 – a 62-year reunion ETHS Class of '62 turns 80 Email #3/Letter #3

Dear Classmates,

REUNION TIME IS GETTING CLOSE!

<u>Even if you are not able to attend the reunion</u>, here is what is needed from you:

- If you haven't already done so, go to our class website at ethsclassof62.com, look over the site, using the menu on the upper right.
- Go to the "Classmates" section, and create your username and password. This registration process is how we will know that we have found you.
- Find your profile and your yearbook photo. Check your entry for accuracy, complete the items, and enter your comments.
- Write down and remember your login information.

As happens with hotels and airlines, as time goes by, the rates move up.

Therefore, we encourage you to make your hotel and air reservations ASAP.

If you want help with your hotel reservation, discounted room rate, and/or blocked rooms, please email us at ETHS62class@gmail.com, and we will help you.

Concerning air reservations, for you out-of-towners, we encourage you to make your air reservations ASAP. If you have airline miles, you might want to use them, especially if those tickets purchased with miles are a better deal than a ticket purchased with money.

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Our three emails/letters are posted on our class reunion ebsite (ETHSclassof62.com).

As a reminder, **our reunion will be held on the weekend of September 20-21, 2024.** *Most out-of-towners will arrive on Thursday, Sept. 19*, to be well rested and relaxed for the festivities on Friday and Saturday.

Please review the updated "Missing" section (list) on the website. Please email us any contact information you have. Our goal is to give every classmate the opportunity to attend this reunion.

The "In Memory" section on the website has also been updated and now includes submitted tributes.

Concerning your profile on the website, regardless of whether you plan to attend this reunion or not, please review your profile, and update it. (This "Classmates" section is the only password-protected section of our website.) Just as you enjoy reading classmates' profiles, others will enjoy reading your profile. Unlike prior reunions, we will <u>not</u> have a reunion book. This "Profile" section on the website will replace a reunion book, and therefore, you can learn about our classmates.

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For your convenience and for your easy reference, the following information is from past emails/letters:

Forgot your password to complete your profile?

You will need to use the same device for both parts of a password-reset request.

- **1.** Go to https://ethsclassof62.com/classmates.
- 2. Click on "Forgot Password," and type in your email address.
- **3.** Using the same device, go to your email, and follow the steps to set up a new password.
- **4.** Return to https://ethsclassof62.com/classmates, and type in your username, which is your email address and the password you have just set.

How to upload a current photo to your profile (on a Windows PC):

Go to your yearbook photo in the profile page on the website, and click above it where it says, "To create or modify your profile click here." (This text is in green.)

- 1. Scroll down to **Images**.
- 2. At the "Now Photo" section, click on "Browse."
- **3.** This link will take you to where you have your own photos stored on your computer.
- 4. Click on the photo you want to upload.
- **5.** Then, click on "Open."

Your new photo should now appear with your profile on the reunion website. If you have any trouble, you can email us the photo, and we will upload it to your profile.

Do I need a rental car?

You do not need to rent a car.

You can avoid renting a car because most of the hotels and the reunion events are in the downtown Evanston area (except for a tour of the high school on Saturday afternoon).

If you need or want to travel someplace, use an Uber, a Lyft, or a cab.

Transportation between O'Hare and Evanston:

The best "deal" is the new Pulse Dempster Line, an express bus route between O'Hare Airport and downtown Evanston -- Click on the following article:

https://evanstonroundtable.com/2023/11/01/pace-launches-new-express-bus-route-from-davis-to-ohare/

Link to the Pulse bus: https://www.pacebus.com/project/pulse-dempster-line

The cost is only \$2.25.

The average travel time is 50 minutes, depending on the time of day.

Reunion Festivities:

As with our past reunions, prior to our reunion weekend, we will send final reunion details to those who have registered to attend the reunion. In the meantime, as with past reunions, please know the festivities and camaraderie will be great.

- Friday evening: An informal gathering, including dinner and a cash bar.
- Saturday at 11:00 a.m.: A walk for some and a gathering for all along the Lake Michigan lakefront. Lunch will be served (maybe around 11:45 a.m. to noon) after the walkers return to the initial gathering location where the non-walkers will have already gathered.
- Saturday at 2:30 p.m.: A tour of the high school.
- Saturday, 6:00 p.m.: The main event will include dinner, a cash bar, great music, displays of memorabilia, rotating photos via a projector, and lots of laughs.

Though we would love to meet your spouse or significant other, as with our prior reunions, many classmates feel comfortable coming on their own.

• Classmates always enjoy reunions – Spouses & significant others might or might not enjoy reunions.

- A trip through the twilight zone is sometimes best traveled alone.
- Not everyone is married or has a significant other.

At our 50-year reunion, 75% of classmates came solo.

Who is a member of the ETHS Class of '62?

It's anyone who was a part of our class at one time or another, starting in kindergarten, regardless of whether you graduated from ETHS in June of '62 or not.

Because we have been so inclusive of "kids" who were in our class at one time or another, many non-June-1962 graduates have attended our prior reunions – They were indeed our classmates.

Our website includes:

- The "Missing" section contains a list of missing or unconfirmed classmates. Again, please help us find these "missing" classmates.
- An "In Memory" section.
- Links to Evanston attractions to visit.
- Your profile entry with your yearbook photo. Please create a login to add to or edit your profile. Once you create a login, you will be able to see all our classmates' profiles. Reminder, this "Profile" section on the website will replace the issuance of a reunion book (i.e., a book was created for past reunions). Over time, the world has gone paperless, and so have we.
- A method to purchase your reunion ticket secure and simple. Go to the "**Tickets**" section. The cost for this reunion is \$80 per person.

For those classmates who are financially strapped, we understand -- A reduced rate is fine. We would rather have you than your money. For these discounted tickets, email us at eths62class@qmail.com for payment details.

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Feel free to email us for information not addressed in this email/letter or for help in navigating the class reunion website.

Our kind regards to all,

ETHS Class of '62

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