

Welcome EVERYONE to our 40th Class Reunion...

Some of you have asked what happened to our 35th Class Reunion... Some think we may have forgotten about them... Well... there wasn't a 35th Reunion. We lacked volunteer help – which I will be explaining.

*Those of us who went to our 30th had a great time. That was back in 2001 – the beginning of the age of “digital photography”, which we hired Photographics of Columbus to take our class photo. We all went outside & positioned ourselves on the steps/risers, the camera flashed, several shots were taken...but apparently something went wrong. Unfortunately we did not get a professional group shot. **IF ANY OF YOU HAD YOUR GUEST TAKE PICTURES WITH YOUR CAMERA & YOU HAPPEN TO HAVE YOUR PHYSICAL PICTURES** (Or maybe you had a digital camera by then & have your digital computer files) – **WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU SEND US A SCANNED DIGITAL FILE.** That would be something amazing after 10 years! Get with Joyce Nichols Harkless (her email is listed in this booklet) if you have anything.*

There was a lot of planning & work with our last reunion (30th). We did our normal thing of having a casual gathering on the Friday night with a more formal, sit-down dinner on Saturday night. One of the highlights was the Karaoke time. Unfortunately there were a few classmates who RSVP'd at the very last moment with their promise of coming & paying for their dinners at the event. And then they did not come and our class was obligated for payment to the club; thus we went in the hole... a few committee members covered the charges.

*There is a lot of time, work, expenses with the planning of a reunion. We did a lot of snail-mailing with postage costs. We did a lot of telephoning. Emailing & Social Networking was not that popular. Some of us burn out (with several meetings throughout the summer). Even if there were a serious meeting sometime during the reunion dinner, where we could get volunteers to head up the next reunion...none of us know what, where or how we would be five years down the road. It shouldn't always be the same people doing the work. Yet how to go about planning every five years to find volunteers seems to be a problem. **BUT NOW** – we have **FACEBOOK!** Facebook has been like a virtual reunion for many of us **AND** with other classmates from years around us. Notice under Steve Grabovich's “highlights of his life” were ‘Pat Cassady's comments on facebook’ – that's funny but true to many of us.*

Yes – this get-together was planned for a Friday night. The weather in October is questionable. And the OSU Buckeye Football schedule needs to be checked. We apologize to those who live out of town... a Saturday evening would be much more convenient and summer time is best. Let's not let the time get by without another reunion at least five years from now – any volunteers?