

CHS CLASS OF 1965 REUNION COMMITTEE NOTES
2/11/15 MEETING #8

IN ATTENDANCE: Gail Hamberg Rosen, Stephanie Phillips, Susan Gurman, Elliot Lebofsky, Stephen Setzman, Christine Coupe Lozinak, Diane Young Fien, Dorie Good, Arlene Fella Holtzman, Janet Johl Harmelin, Charles Sterne, Bob Cox, Bette Steinberg Quindry, Eileen Kamison, Jon Fox, Bert Filemyr, Ed Landau, Andy Rubin, Emily Brecker Greenberg. Janice Bennett – Classmate Finder!

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, APRIL 23rd, 2015 at noon
PHIL'S TAVERN – LUNCH MEETING**

- I. COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION: (Bert and Ed)
 - A. WEBSITE: The website is fantastic and will now be transitioning from planning and data gathering to info about the actual Reunion weekend.
 - B. MISSING CLASSMATES/DIRECTORY STATUS: We have 606 people in our yearbook. There are 631 classmates on Ed's master sheet, including 20 people who grew up with us but left before our graduation. 612 people were graduated in our class. 81 are deceased (that we are aware of so far). 43 are totally missing and another 100 are not yet confirmed. Janice Bennett and Christine Coupe Lozinak have done an excellent job finding missing classmates. The search continues.
 - C. ADVERTISING: (Jody, Jon) Jon will be placing ads into local papers in Montgomery County trying to find missing classmates and mentioning the reunion.

- II. BUDGET: (Andy)
 - A. A budget was presented by Andy. Tickets for the Saturday night event will cost \$125.00. We still have \$1600 left after payment of the \$1000 deposit for the Ballroom and the \$677 for the SAVE THE DATE postcards. Andy complimented all Committee leaders for getting their numbers to him in a timely manner. The ticket will include funding for the dinner, the bartenders, the DJ, the centerpieces, the room decorations, Janice Bennett, the website costs, the invitations and postage, the photographer, the AV equipment, pens and tote bags, and a

Directory (which we are hoping will also be funded by ads and donations.) There may still be miscellaneous add-ons to be decided at a future meeting, depending on the responses of those attending (the more attendees, the more money we have for miscellaneous items to be added). There may be a SPONSORING FORM if someone has financial difficulty with the ticket cost. Please contact Andy if you know of anyone in that situation. The response cards and checks will be sent to a Post Office Box in Jenkintown. Ed will collect the responses and get the checks to Andy and the response cards to Arlene. Arlene will put the responses on a spreadsheet to keep the head count correct for the hotel and to get the button order right. **Nobody should mail or give a check without a response card, please!**

III. INVITATIONS: (Arlene - Dorie, Pat, Janet, Diane)

A. LODGING: Crowne Plaza - \$115 plus 6% tax, which includes breakfast for two on Sunday morning. A block of rooms (35 on Friday night; 50 on Saturday night) are reserved at that price. After May 27th, prices go back to the hotel's regular rates. The invitations are very eye-catching and may include data for Ed and for contests at the event. Around 20 teachers from CHS are still alive - ***We will have to make a decision about inviting them to the Saturday event since there will be no formal Sunday event (unless they stop by at the informal breakfast on Sunday at the hotel).** The teachers' invitation will have different wording when the decision to invite them is made.

IV. OTHER EVENTS:

A. FRIDAY: At the Crowne Plaza, classmates can meet at the Lobby bar from 7:00 until whenever. It will be called the Informal Kick-off and will be mentioned on the website and in the invitation packet. We will have sticky tags and pens available for name tags. (We need to be sure someone brings these!!!)

B. SATURDAY: Eileen is gathering a list of nearby activities for the daytime hours and will make them available at the hotel (and on the website??)

C. SUNDAY: NO EVENT AT CHS. The cafeteria is unavailable, the air-conditioning is limited, the building is in summer storage mode. There was almost no support (only 5 people) for having a

function there. Instead, we are looking into having people gather at the Crowne Plaza hotel restaurant for an informal breakfast. Classmates who stay there get two breakfasts included with their room cost. Stephanie will call the hotel and get information to Arlene about having other classmates come and pay for their own breakfasts, joining their classmates between 10-noon or 11-1:00. Hopefully, this information will also be included in the invitation packet and on the website. ("If you'd like to join those staying at the Crowne Plaza for breakfast/brunch, please come at __ hours.")

V. TRAVEL: (Stephie)

So far, we have 2 rooms reserved for Thursday night, 9 for Friday, and 17 for Saturday. Stephie is hoping to add rooms to our CHS block for Saturday night. Transportation to and from the hotel remains a LOOSE END. Dorie mentioned the Tropiano Airport Shuttle (\$29.00 one way; \$53.00 round trip) and Eileen mentioned 124 and 125 buses in which senior citizens go for free – they leave from the mall nearby. A classmate would take the hotel shuttle to the bus area. (**This is still a "loose end" which needs to be completed).

VI. MAIN EVENT: (Arlene - Coordinator)

- A. PROGRAM: to be determined by Bette and Dorie
- B. BADGES: (Arlene) Will be larger than before, and can be pinned on or can be hanging from a cord.
- C. DECORATIONS: (Christine) Will use several 8' x 4' foam core panels with "CHS", "1965", photos, memorabilia, and a Graffiti Wall where all classmates can sign what they want. There will be mylar balloons, centerpieces on tables, and small decorations on the dessert buffet table. There will be a "Memorial" table with flowers, listing our deceased classmates, with pictures (if possible.) CENTERPIECES: Arlene will send Chris updates of her head count once a week so that Chris can get an early start making the classmate picture paddles to be inserted into the centerpieces.
- D. MUSIC: (Nancy and Joanne) Done!
- E. PHOTOGRAPHER: (Eileen) Eileen brought the contract. The photographer will provide group pictures, individual candid shots, a group class shot, and a disk for Bert to load onto our

website. People will be able to download what they want from the website. There will NOT be a photo BOOK from this reunion. He will be there for 3 hours, with a fourth hour added if we want him to stay. **(The time he will start was not decided: 6:30, 6:45 or 7:00 – TO BE DETERMINED).**

F. FOOD: (Dorie, Arlene, Sue, Emily) To be selected by the next meeting. There will be a tasting on April 22nd.

G. GOODIE BAGS: (Bette, Eileen) The Committee voted at the end of the meeting to have goody tote bags and stylus pens with CHS logos as giveaways at the event. They were already included in Andy's budget.

H. SLIDE SHOW: (Chuck, Bert) The hotel is providing the screen. Chuck is graciously lending us the projector and the computer. There will be a 30 minute rotating slide show that will run all night. ****MUSIC: Bert will ask people to send in their requests to the website for Saturday night songs for the DJ.**

VII. REUNION DIRECTORY: (Bette, Eileen)

A directory will be put together and printed at Kinko's. We are looking for ads and donations to help offset the cost. Bette and Eileen may need more help with this – please volunteer!!!

LOOSE ENDS:

1. TEACHER INVITATIONS – and TO WHICH EVENT?
2. TIMES OF THE SUNDAY BRUNCH
3. TIMES OF THE PHOTOGRAPHER
4. STICKY NAME TAGS AND SHARPIE PENS FOR FRIDAY EVENT
5. TRANSPORTATION MODES TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT
6. REQUESTS FOR SONGS (for the DJ) on the website?
7. VOLUNTEERS FOR HELPING WITH THE DIRECTORY