

NAPS Class of 1967 – Reunion

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You may be pleased to learn we have crossed the 100 mark in our search. We now have good contact information and know the whereabouts (or passing) of 106 of the 185 classmates and 15 of the 32 staff officers pictured in *the Cruise ...* and the search continues.

Many have dubbed the planned reunion a long overdue homecoming, while a few have touched upon closure by different names and varying degrees. Whatever the underlying reason, a return to Bainbridge to share in that which the committee has prepared promises to deliver, so try not to miss it. While the success we have enjoyed in locating classmates and instructors alike has been for the most part encouraging and uplifting, a few of our classmates have alluded to gripping medical issues and an uncertain future while expressing hope their health will support a return to Bainbridge in the fall. Furthermore, as a harsh reminder of the present-day financial climate, some have quietly suggested their desire to attend must be weighed against otherwise difficult times. ***The committee wishes that no one should be kept from enjoying the reunion!*** To that end, financial assistance / relief can be made available for those in need, including travel. Please do not hesitate to contact any committee member to discuss.

Surely, not all will be able to attend, but it is hoped all will at least embrace the NAPS Class of 1967 website and contribute in some small or large way to the developing exchange. The response to the new website has been overwhelmingly positive. If you haven't paid a recent visit, please take a minute to click on <http://www.naps1967.com> and explore. Plan to return often as newly submitted photos, biographies, and documents of interest are being posted upon receipt. As a reminder, you can email or post items of general interest, current family photos, etc., to Bob Capra. Items mailed will be scanned, posted to the website, and the originals returned. Sure to please those who have lost their copy of *the Cruise*, a new link is being added wherein the photographs of each member of the class will appear indexed by section. As a reminder for those new to viewing pictures or documents in a Kodak Gallery, full screen viewing is available by clicking on the arrow icon in the lower right corner of the screen. You can tab through the photos or let the slide show do its magic. Furthermore, individual photos may be downloaded for free by clicking on the "download this photo" icon on the (middle) right hand side of the screen. You may also move to any portion of the album by performing a left click and hold the cursor on the white bar near the top of the screen and move the bar to the right or left. Technology aside, the old mug shots are sure to trigger long dormant memories of life in that seemingly distant galaxy; so start clicking!

- **Registration Reminder:** As we must soon sign contracts and place deposits, an accurate head-count will be necessary. Please review the list attached to see if your name appears as: a) registered (registration received); b) have announced firm plans to attend but have yet to

register; c) have expressed a strong desire to attend, schedule permitting; or d) have responded but will not be able to attend. ***If you don't see your name listed anywhere, please let us know one way or the other whether you plan to attend or not attend. Please do so by replying to the email forwarding this SITREP.*** For your convenience, a registration form attached.

- **Hotel Information (reminder):** The Clarion Hotel in Aberdeen will serve as reunion headquarters (<http://www.clarionaberdeen.com/>). A block of fifty double-rooms has been set aside for our reunion at \$89.00 plus 6% tax for a total of \$94.34 per night, hot buffet breakfast included. The books are open, reservations are being taken, and rooms are still available. When making the phone call, remember to identify yourself as a part of the ***“NAPS Class of 1967 Reunion.”*** The reunion rate is not available via on-line booking. If you have already made a reservation on-line or by telephone and did not secure the promised rate, call the hotel at 410-273-6300, provide your confirmation number, and request the ***“NAPS Class of 1967 Reunion”*** guaranteed room rate. Hotel staff will accommodate the request and adjust your reservation accordingly.
- **NAPS hats, shirts, and more:** Arrangements have been made whereby those who wish purchase NAPS '67 embroidered hats, shirts and more by ordering directly from Wedekind Brothers Co. Inc. For more information, please visit the NAPS website home page and click on “Reunion Gear” to see photographs of NAPS apparel ***available for direct / advanced purchase.***
- **Attendance Update:** The following is a registration summary as of 30th April:
 - 38 have registered (i.e., registration form submitted and deposit received).
 - 30 have announced firm plans to attend but have yet to register.
 - 11 have expressed a strong desire to attend, schedule permitting.
 - 12 have reported they will not be able to attend.

We're rolling!

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