



NAPS Class of 1967 – Reunion

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Thirty-seven and a wake-up!

- We now have good contact information and know the whereabouts (or passing) of 143 classmates (77%), plus 24 instructors / staff officers, and 2 support staff members. From the onset the committee anticipated and planned for between 80 to 100 guests. With 78 registered to date and about ten more on the promised horizon, we are on track to enjoy an eventful weekend and a reunion to be remembered. For those unable to attend, we hope you will continue to follow us on the web. A post-reunion summary will follow along with photographs, video links, and the much anticipated conversion of a Condon family 8 mm home movie (silent in those days) wherein we may enjoy a short segment of the NAPS Class of 1967 graduation ceremony, featuring (of course) our own Sergeant Condon!
- With sufficient funds in hand (or nearly so), the committee has signed all necessary contracts and made all required deposits. If you plan to attend but have yet to register, it is not too late to do so. We are, however, approaching our limit for the Sunday brunch cruise aboard the Lantern Queen. As announced early on, we will continue taking reservations on a first come basis before establishing a waiting list. For the record, we have nine slots remaining.
- The Clarion Hotel in Aberdeen has agreed to extend the guaranteed room rate of \$89.00 per night (pus tax) for reservations made through 19 September. If you plan to attend but have yet to reserve a room, we encourage you to do so without delay.
- Maps and directions to and from the Clarion, Bainbridge, Port Deposit, and Havre de Grace have been posted to the web for your use in trip planning and all local troop movements. Go to www.naps1967.com, click on the *Reunion Details* tab, and click again on *Naps Reunion Maps and Directions*. Copies of all maps will be included with the Registration Packet you will receive upon arrival / check-in at the Reunion Registration Desk in the hospitality room of the Clarion Hotel.

- Along those lines, the committee is soliciting volunteers (singles or couples) to help man the Registration Desk to meet and greet all Friday afternoon arrivals. The committees will seed the watch-bill in two hour shifts from 1200 – 1900 in advance of the *All Hands Reception*. If you are willing to volunteer as an assistant greeter for a one or two hour time slot, please let John Condon know by email soonest. Of course, the last time some of us “volunteered” we wound up in Vietnam! John has promised this will be different.
- In an effort to encourage ride sharing to and from airports and car-pooling throughout the weekend, if you are willing to share both cost and driving with someone else arriving at the same airport at or near the same time, we will be pleased to attempt a link. Although we cannot guarantee a willing partner, we will try to match those that share an interest. If you will forward your arrival information to Ken Marks, he will do his best to accommodate.
- The uniform of the day / weekend is “casual” throughout. Remember, the reunion is being held in October in a mid-Atlantic state. Fall weather in Maryland is usually cool but not cold, though seasonally pleasant. Rain is always a possibility, but rain or shine the memorial service on the grounds at NAPS will be held as planned. A large tent will be erected on site to serve as shelter. With any luck it will simply serve as a sun-screen!
- As photographs, biographies, and other documents of interest continue to find their way to Bob Capra’s inbox, they are dutifully posted to the website. Thanks to Cliff Beckley for saving and sending copies of all but a few issues of the Barnacle, each has been scanned and posted to the web. Do yourself a favor and visit often. Moreover, do the rest of us a favor by submitting a few old or new photographs and a brief bio for the record.
- The committee stands ready to assist those in need to whatever level necessary. It is our hope that all who desire to attend should be able to enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime experience. If you want to join us but find yourself in a bit of a crunch, you are likely not alone. Please feel free to call any committee member to discuss in confidence a possible grant.
- As a reminder, NAPS ’67 embroidered hats, shirts, and more may be ordered directly from Wedekind Brothers Co. Inc. See the NAPS website for pictures and ordering details. Follow the link established on the NAPS Class of 1967 homepage under *Reunion Gear*.

We’re rolling!

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