May 1, 2010

Dear Rancho Classmates,

You are cordially invited to attend our 50th Class Reunion on Friday and Saturday, March 16-17, 2012, at the Anaheim Marriott Suites Hotel in Garden Grove, California.

This beautiful new all-suites hotel is located just a couple of blocks south of Disneyland at the intersection of Harbor Boulevard and Chapman Avenue.

Our 50th Class Reunion will start with a reception on Friday evening, March 16, and conclude with a dinner/dance on Saturday evening, March 17, 2012.

Tickets for this memorable event are now on sale.
The price of each ticket is $149.00 per person, which includes the Friday evening reception, the Saturday evening dinner/dance, and a Memory Book.

The first 100 tickets purchased prior to December 31, 2010, will be sold for only $125.00 per person. This special advance reservation offer will expire either when the first 100 tickets are sold or when we reach December 31, 2010, whichever occurs first.

We will send an announcement to you when the first 100 tickets are sold. Please don’t miss this special advance reservation offer. Please make your check payable to “Rancho Alamitos Class of 1962” and send it to: Barrie Smith, 955 E. Black Canyon Hwy., Emmett, ID 83617-9501 USA.

About two dozen of our classmates have helped plan our 50th Class Reunion in March 2012, search for our classmates, prepare our directory, and create our website. More volunteers are needed.

Here is a synopsis of our current reunion plan:

1. Our March 16-17, 2012, reunion is for members of our RAHS Class of 1962 along with their spouses or partners. In addition, a few graduates from other RAHS classes have asked to be included, and they will be welcome. The focus of our reunion, however, is on our RAHS Class of 1962.

2. Unlike previous class reunions, this RAHS Class of 1962 50th Anniversary Reunion will be a TWO-DAY EVENT, thereby providing you with ample time to visit with classmates and hear their amazing life stories.

3. For those who would like to spend even more time with our classmates, you are invited to join an optional one-week cruise that will begin on Sunday afternoon, March 18, 2012, from
the Long Beach/San Pedro Harbor. More information about this optional cruise will be sent to you this summer.

Over the past year, I have had the privilege of visiting many RAHS classmates and hearing their amazing stories. To give you a similar experience, our reunion will be much more than just a few hours packed into one night. Over the course of our TWO-DAY REUNION, we want to give each classmate ample time to share life experiences in the context of multiple venues. This can be an inspiring and life-changing experience.

Our planning committee believes our 50th anniversary class reunion will be a most enjoyable and memorable event.

We hope you will join us in March 2012 in Garden Grove.

Moreover, we hope you will continue to provide us with your comments, suggestions and help so our 50th anniversary class reunion is a resounding success.

I look forward to hearing from you and to seeing you in March 2012!

Sincerely,

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[more about our RAHS Class of 1962 50th Anniversary Reunion on the next 4 pages]
Here are more details about our Rancho Alamitos Class of 1962 50th Class Reunion in March 2012:

WHO WILL BE THERE: (11 paid reservations as of April 30, 2010)
Doug and Kathy Beauchamp          Dave Buckley
James and Carol (Winn) Canfield    Mike and Kathy Lewis
Barrie and Janet Smith             Walt and Marti (Wright) Unger

EVENTS AND ITINERARY:

I. FRIDAY NIGHT - WELCOME RECEPTION - 7 pm to 10 pm. Held at the Marriott Suites Hotel, 12015 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, California 92840
Name tags and memory books will be distributed. Introductions will be made. Special recognition will be given to our RAHS teachers, administrators and staff. A class overview will be presented based on information submitted by classmates to our website and planned Memory Book.

II. SATURDAY - Club and Special Interest Group Meetings. 10 am to 3 pm.
During this time, friends and past club members are invited to meet in various designated rooms at the Marriott Suites Hotel. Optionally, you can use this time to visit Disneyland, shop at the Anaheim Mall, take a bus to Rancho Alamitos High School, or visit the William Mason Regional Park in Irvine for a picnic.

III. SATURDAY NIGHT - MAIN EVENT - 8 pm to 12 midnight. Dinner, dance, program, contests, and a historical presentation.

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

1. Visit Rancho Alamitos High School — Transportation will leave from Marriott Suites for Rancho Alamitos at 10 am on Saturday morning. The school will be partially open so that classmates can tour the campus. Lunch on your own. There will be a charge for transportation. Please indicate your interest in this when you register for our reunion.
2. Irvine Park — Transportation will leave from Marriott Suites at 10 am on Saturday morning and return at 2:30 pm. Lunch on your own. There will be a charge for transportation. Please indicate interest in this when you register.

3. Disneyland is just a few blocks from the Marriott Suites Hotel and is easily accessible by walking or taking a short cab ride.

4. Huntington Beach — Anyone interested? Please let us know.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- Visit Downtown Garden Grove, its Historical Society and the Stanley Ranch Museum Historical Village
- Visit Knott’s Berry Farm in Buena Park
- Shop at the nearby Anaheim Mall
- Join classmates on a one-week optional cruise of the Mexican Riviera.

HOTEL, RESERVATIONS, TRAVEL:

Marriott Suites Hotel, 12015 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, California 92840
Tel: 714-750-1000; Fax: 714-750-9000; Toll Free in USA: 800-228-9290

The Marriott Suites Hotel is located ½ mile from Disneyland, ¼ mile from the Anaheim Mall, 5 ½ miles from RAHS, 3 ½ miles from Garden Grove City Park, 11 ½ miles from William Mason Regional Park in Irvine, and 15 ½ miles from Huntington State Beach. There are also a variety of other hotels available in the immediate area.

We have reserved a block of 30 rooms at the Marriott Suites Hotel at a price of $129 per night for March 16 and 17, 2012. Reservations at Marriott Suites Hotel can be made beginning on April 1, 2011. When you make your hotel reservation, please ask for the special rate reserved for the Rancho Alamitos Class of 1962.

Please note: The venue for our RAHS Class of 1962 50th Anniversary Reunion is the MARRIOTT SUITES HOTEL IN GARDEN GROVE, which is not the Anaheim Marriott Hotel that is located next to the Anaheim Convention Center.
From the Marriott Suites Hotel in Garden Grove, the Orange County John Wayne Airport (SNA) in Santa Ana is 13 miles away and is the closest and most accessible airport to our reunion site. The Long Beach Airport (LGB) is 18 miles away, the Ontario International Airport (ONT) is 27 miles away, and Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) is 36 miles away. There is no shuttle service between these airports and the hotel. Auto rental may be the best way to go for the two days in town.

**PROJECTED 50th ANNIVERSARY REUNION COSTS:**

- $149 per person - Cost of Friday Night event (including name tags and memory book), small meetings in the Marriott on Saturday morning, and the Saturday evening dinner/dance
- All alcoholic drinks are on your own
- Meals on Friday noon, Saturday morning, Saturday noon, Sunday morning on your own
- Hotel - $129 per night ($258 for two nights) plus taxes
- Parking at the Marriott Suites Hotel - $12 per night
- Transportation - rental car - approximately $40 per day
- Excursions to Rancho, Irvine Park, Beach - approximately $35 per person if we charter a bus
- Optional cruise departing Sunday afternoon, March 18, 2012 - 7 day Mexican Riviera Cruise in and out of Long Beach/San Pedro Harbor: approximately $600 inside cabin, plus $10 per day tips as well as transport to and from Airport ($35 each way).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

1. Decorations for Reception (March 16th) & Main Event (March 17th)
2. Hosts for Small Group meetings on Saturday
3. Plan a local excursion on Friday or Saturday
4. Clean up: Friday & Saturday
5. Welcoming committee: Friday & Saturday
6. Distribute Memory Books
7. Contact & welcome former teachers, administrators & staff
8. Help with Program: Friday & Saturday
9. Host out-of-town friends
10. Research & contact “missing” classmates
11. Anything else that is needed.

Please contact your friends in the RAHS CLASS OF ’62 and invite them to our 50th Anniversary Reunion in March 2012. Also please help us located classmates who are not yet listed in our directory. Finally, please send your updated contact information, biosketches, news and photographs to Jan (Sorensen) Tonner at info@rahs62.org.

CONTACT US:
Reunion questions and feedback to Barrie Smith via e-mail: bvs@rahs62.org

See reunion updates (including a list of those who are committed to attending our 50th Anniversary Class Reunion) online at: http://rahs62.org/50threunion

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES: bvs@rahs62.org

We need your input to make this a meaningful and memorable 50th class reunion.