



Longview High School Class of 1972

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45 Year Reunion

Planning Meeting on 27 August 2016 - Status

As of 16 September 2016

The following status is based on the planning meeting that was held in the Board Room of the Hilton Garden Inn - Longview from 0900 - 1130 hours, 27 August 2016.

Those attending the meeting were:

- Patsy Bussey
- Charlotte Henderson Townsend-Stanchak
- Donna McFarland
- Mark Moseley
- Lynn Rader Martin
- Barbara Reid Bass
- Mike Scott
- Greg Strong
- Donna Wood Brister
- Billy Witt
- Jim Bob Rollins

Decisions previously made by classmates through polling on Facebook and e-mail:

- Dates for Reunion: 20 - 21 October 2017
 - Two polls conducted - overwhelming favorite was Fall 2017
 - Summer too hot and other activities with families
 - Spring too many conflicts of graduations, weddings, etc.
 - Once Fall 2017 was selected decision had to be made on when and based on conflicts - Labor Day, start of schools, holidays, etc.
 - Choices were 13 - 15 October 2017 or 20 - 22 October 2017
 - Poll conducted and 20 - 21 October 2017 was selected
- Location: Hilton Garden Inn - Longview
 - Only real choices were to do the same as 40 Year Reunion (Hampton Inn and Pinecrest Country Club) or Hilton Garden Inn - Longview
 - After polling, decision was made to try Hilton Garden Inn, since everything could be held there and no need to drink and drive.

Decisions and updates made from meeting on 27 August 2016:

- Activities during Reunion - Friday
 - What: Early Registration and Social
 - When: 7:00 - 10:00 PM
 - Where: Ballroom and Foyer
 - Cost: Part of registration fee
 - Snacks will be provided as part of registration
 - Photographer to take Candid Shots
 - Bar will be available to purchase drinks
 - No outside food or drinks allowed

- Activities during Reunion - Friday Sporting Event
 - What: Attend Longview High School Sporting Event
 - When: To Be Determined
 - Where: To Be Determined
 - LHS does not make up this schedule until next year
 - Information on where to get tickets will be provided
 - Up to Individual to coordinate purchase of tickets

- Activities during Reunion - Saturday Afternoon
 - No formal plans will be made to conduct a Golf tournament or have activities during the day
 - We do have access to the convention area of the hotel and if someone wants to do something, it will need to be coordinated with the planning committee to ensure it does not impact the evening activities
 - However, if classmates want to organize events they are more than welcome to do it

- Activities during Reunion - Saturday Evening
 - What: Dinner, Dance, and Group Picture
 - When: 6:30 - 11:30 PM
 - 6:30 PM - Pay as you Go Bar Open
 - 7:15 PM - Class Photo and group photos (band, Jr. Highs, Womack HS, etc.) - continue through evening - coordinate with photographer when ready.
 - 7:30 PM - Mexican Buffet Open
 - 8:00 PM - Recognize guest and stats on Reunion
 - ? - Dance floor open
 - Where: Ballroom and Foyer
 - Cost: To Be Determined - One price per person

- Cost of Reunion
 - The cost of the Reunion has yet to be determined. It will be dependent on the cost of the food, entertainment, rental of items, photographer, administrative costs, insurance, security, recurring costs (post office, website, etc.), etc.
 - There will be only one fee charged to participate in the Reunion, with the focus on the Saturday evening event. Friday social is part of that fee. Based on current estimates the cost will be somewhere between \$60 to \$75 per person. Cost for 40 Year Reunion were \$20 for the Friday evening only and \$60 for the Friday and Saturday events. An additional \$50 was charged for those wanting to play golf.
 - Mike Scott and Greg Strong will be working with the Hilton Garden Inn to see about costs for rooms and food.

- Hotel Room Costs at Hilton Garden Inn - Longview - Jim Bob Rollins
 - Our group, Longview High School Class of 1972, has a 20 room block, a mixture of single and double beds for a cost of \$89.00 plus tax from 20 - 22 October 2017.
 - A website link and ability to call in to make reservations for the room block will be provided with the registration forms, website, and Facebook.
 - Greg Strong is working to reduce that rate to around \$90 (which he managed to do).

- Food and Drink - Greg Strong and Mike Scott
 - All food and drink has to be purchased through Hilton Garden Inn. A bar will be set up in the foyer for Friday and Saturday night.
 - Hotel also has a bar and restaurant that will be open during the Reunion. They provide a full breakfast and have a menu for the evening.
 - Restaurant:
 - Breakfast - 6:00 to 10:00 AM
 - Dinner - 5:00 to 10:00 PM (except Sunday, closes at 9:00 PM)
 - Bar
 - 5:00 to 10:00 PM (except Sunday, closes at 9:00 PM)
 - There are no facilities for outside cooking
 - However, this does not prevent food and drinks in guest rooms (Marty and David - if they want to cook deer and duck, it will have to be done away from the hotel).
 - Saturday evening will be a Fiesta Buffet with Beef and Chicken. This was selected to give a broader choice of foods - salad, chicken, or beef. Mark Moseley wanted to ensure that toothpicks are available or get rid of the beef, because the flank steak gets stuck between your teeth.

- Finances - Connie Hargis Milligan
 - Currently have \$2,812.58 in the account, which was left over from the last Reunion. Due to cost increase, instead of the \$2,500, the goal should be raised to \$6,000 due to a need to put down payments to reserve facilities.
 - Down payment of \$4,291.06 was made to Hilton Garden Inn - Longview on 8 January 2016 to reserve it for the Reunion. Remaining balance of \$4,291.05 to be paid on 19 October 2017.

- Down payment of \$200 has been paid to David Goldman for his DJ services for a remaining balance of \$500 to be paid on 21 October 2017.
- To remain in the positive, it will be important to enforce no pay, no entry for every event.

- Security - Mark Moseley
 - Security (off duty Police) will be provided on Friday and Saturday nights to ensure everyone remains safe.
 - They will be present from the start to finish of the scheduled events.

- Liability Insurance - Mark Moseley
 - The purpose of this is to protect all participants of the Reunion if some unforeseen emergency situation arises.
 - As we have become older and wiser this makes good sense and this has been done in the past and should be continued in the future.

- Registration - Connie Hargis Milligan, Mark Moseley, and Jim Bob Rollins
 - Consist of providing nametags and ensuring payment has been paid for the various events.
 - Nametags used during last Reunion will be used for this Reunion. Having the old class picture and maiden name helped on identifying people in pictures and when you met them. Spouse nametags will have the class members picture on them.
 - Mark Mosley will coordinate with Class of 1973 to see if they can provide people to assist with the registration tables.

- Music - Barbara Reid Bass and Marty Baumgardner
 - Barbara was able to coordinate with Dave Goldman of Music on Wheels to provide music for Saturday night. He is the one that provided music for the last reunion.
 - Marty has volunteered to provide music during Friday night to get us into the Reunion Mood.

- Photos during the Reunion - Lynn Rader Martin
 - Plan is to have someone taking pictures throughout the events and then provide these on Facebook and the Lobos72 website
 - A class photo will be taken on Saturday at 7:15 PM in the ballroom. Stands will be used to ensure everyone can be seen. Additionally, the photographer will be available to take other group pictures, similar to 40 year Reunion - band, various schools, etc.
 - Mark Moseley talked with VIP Video & Photo Production, Michael Colteaux, who is willing to take pictures and videos for both nights and has a photo booth. The costs would be \$400 for the photography services on Friday and Saturday night and \$650 for the photo booth Saturday night. He would sell DVDs with all the pictures for \$15.00. We would be able to post pictures on the website and would include a pre-purchase of the DVD with our registration package.

Multimedia Presentation

- During the Friday and Saturday events, a slide show of High School and past Reunions will be ongoing. Pictures that are provided will also be displayed on the website, so assistance from class members of pulling out old photos will be required.
- Departed classmates will be highlighted in the Foyer area by a series of posters that will be similar to what is shown on our website. There will not be a slide show of Remembrance for deceased classmates or school staff.
- **Trinkets**
 - Class of 72 Banner - Pasty Bussey has the banner from the last Reunion and will make it available for signing again. This will be displayed in the Foyer and should be annotated with the number of Reunions you have attended.
 - Class of 72 Cups - everyone enjoyed having the cups and want to have them for the Reunion to serve drinks in from the bar.
 - Old School Shirts - looking into having t-shirts for sale that show the old high school, possibly can be pre-ordered.
 - Updated Annual - Then and Now - not sure on how this would be done. Still open for discussion.
 - Open for anyone who wants to donate items for the Reunion, with Class of 72 on them. If we get enough stuff we will possibly offer a registration swag bag, in conjunction with the Longview Visitor Bureau.
 - Reading Glasses will be provided on tables during Friday and Saturday for those needing them.
- **Advertisement**
 - Need to contact Longview- News Journal to run announcement in Sunday's paper.
 - Need to contact LHS Website to post details on their website and under their school news.
- **Saturday - Teacher Recognition**
 - List of teachers from Longview and Womack High School from 69 - 72 is being developed. A letter of invite will be sent out to each, asking them to attend the dinner and be recognized by the Class of 1972.
 - A picture with room for classmates to sign and make comments will be available Friday and Saturday for each of the teachers. These will be presented on Saturday evening.
 - Sample of text:

C.C. Turner

Trigonometry, Calculus, Algebra II

*For the instruction, guidance, mentorship, and
friendship provided to the*

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- Location of Classmates - Ann Forster Jennings
 - This is an ongoing effort by Ann and others to locate classmates.
 - Used the following websites to locate people:
 - Classmates.com
 - Longview Alumni Website (attached to the LHS webpage)
 - Schoolfeed.com
 - MyLife.com
 - Peoplesmart.com
 - Spokeo.com
 - People.yahoo.com
 - Whitepages.com
 - Peoplefinders.com
 - Longview411.com
 - Facebook has 180 members on the Longview High School - Class of '72 page
- NOTE: Ann, Gary Harper, Jimmy Mantrozos, and several others have been instrumental in finding classmates. One of the comments made when Ann finds someone is that they thank her for tracking them down and informing of the Reunion. Just as sad is when she discovers another Departed Classmate. So, Mark - thanks for letting her do this.

Next Planning Meeting - 15 October 2016:

- Next planning meeting will be held from 0900 to 1200 hours on 15 October 2016.
- Meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn-Longview Board Room.
- At this time we do not have a room block, but make sure you ask for discounts - AARP, AAA, Senior Citizen, etc.
- Agenda will be published prior to the meeting. Meeting will consist of updates and finalizing committee chairs.