



LAS VEGAS HIGH SCHOOL  
CLASS OF 1953

*60th Reunion / 'CAT' TRACKS*

*October 2013*



*Sharing Memories of Our Times Together and Remembering Those Who Have Passed On*



## Memorandum

October 2013

To: LVHS Class of 1953

From: George Wilkinson

Well our 60th Reunion has come and gone. Friday night dinner at Ricardo's with about 45 of us with spouses, significant others, and guests was excellent. John Holland announced that all future reunions would be like this one. A class dinner the night before the All Wildcat Reunion and then attending that annual affair.

As a follow up to these events, I've put together this issue of "Cat Tracks" to share with everyone a pictorial of those attending each of the events. These photos were all candid shots so there might be some blurring because someone in the photo moved in some of the photos...but that's life.

The All Wildcat Reunion as usual was well attended (around 600) with graduates from as early as 1936 to the most recent class of 2013. The Class of '53 was the second largest grouping with 31 classmates there. The Class of '63 was the largest with some 51 attending. Our 60th, their 50th! Most of us were happy to be able to visit with friends from the other class, particularly those attending from '52, '54 and '55.

Entrainment was provided by LVHS Marching Band, LVHS Cheerleaders and LVHS Madrigal & Spectrum. A drawing was held for various gifts provided by local merchants, etc and to the cap the affair there was dancing at the end.

All in all I think a good time was had by everyone who made the dinner at Ricardo's and/or the All Wildcat Reunion at The Orleans Hotel.

Oh, and before I forget it. Carl Stevens presented all of us with a beautiful etched tile in memory of our 60th. So "Thank You Carl" for the very thoughtful gift and the work you put into design and producing them. Much appreciated.

One question that arose during both events from our classmates. That was "is 5 years too long now between our class reunions?" We are losing a significant number of classmates as we get older and in another 5 years most of us will be between 82 and 84. So I am posing a question to you all. How frequently do you think we should have our reunions: every year, every two years, every three years, every four years, or every five years. Just drop me an email note and cast your ballot. I'll report back to you what the majority of us have selected.

Regardless of the choice for our class reunion, you can always attend the annual All Wildcat Reunion as frequently as you want. And a number of you do that now every year!

Lastly, I'll try to get notices to you of our classmates passing as I hear about them. So if you know of a classmate passing on, please let me know and if possible with a copy of the obit. Also every two to three years I'll try to put together an issue of "Cat Tracks" to keep us all informed about what happening with us so please when you get my request for input get me a response. All the best to each of you.

*George*

***Once a Wildcat, always a Wildcat!!!***

# Photo Gallery

Our LVHS  
Somethings Change  
by John Bearce

Like the color, landscape, lights by the door and no Senior Squares on the sidewalk.



The New Senior Squares:



Their new home



But one thing has not changed..  
**THE FRONT STEPS!**



This bench which sits to the right of the display gives the history of the "squares"

## Dinner at Richardo's

These photos and those that follow from the All Wildcat Reunion were provided by John Bearce and Lea Ann Rasmussen. Thanks to you both.



Phyllis Zigtema Nebron (Class of '54), Martha Graham Clark, Myrna McClanahan Rogers and Bill Brimmer (Class of '54).



Ann Love McPherson, Lois Wentz Durkee, Marian Hall Catron



Bob Badertscher, Don Klinkner and Danny Lee



This is the mirror tile that Carl Stephens made for our classmate as a memento of the 60 Reunion.



Doug Rather and Bob Beville



John Holland and Ron Petersen





Diane Petersen (Ron's sister, Class of '56) and Kay Petersen (Ron's wife)



Ray Winn, Lois Stewart Bird, Peter Kavoian (Ray's partner), Sharon Marshall Rather and Doug Rather



Jeanne Holland, Pat Bearce and Louis Davis Ritter



Martha Graham Clark, Louise Davis Ritter, Unette Crawford Wall King, and Don Rasmussen



John Bearce, Frank Abercrombie and his daughter Cindy Abercrombie.



Larry Dawson, Barbara Dawson, and Christine Poulos



Larry Dawson and George Bogdanovich



Richard King (Class of '52) and Unette Crawford Wall King.



Ray Winn and Lois Stewart Bird



Vern Waite and Alice Thiriot Waite



Don Rasmussen, George Wilkinson and George Ball



Gretchen Harris Payne and Don Payne (Class of '46)



Lea Ann Rasmussen and Ann Love McPherson



Ann Love McPherson and Bob McPherson



Kae Bogdanovich (Class of '56) and George Bogdanovich



Peter Kavoian (Ray Winn's partner), Sharon Marshall Rather (Class of '54) and Doug Rather



Earl Alger (Class of '52) and Gloria Hicks Alger



Two thirds of the group was caught in this photo. Everyone you see here has been already identified.

# All Wildcat Reunion at the Orleans Hotel



Bobby Bordges and John Enomoto



George Ball, Alice Thiriot Waite, George Wilkinson and John Holland



Sharon Marshall Rather, Doug Rather and Bill Ward



Sunny Tsao and John Enomoto



Bob Zirbel (right) and his friend, Sandy Herrod



George Davis (Class of '52), Richard King (Class of '52) and Unette Crawford Wall King.





Art Goldstrum, George Wilkinson, and Shirley Goldstrum



Lea Ann and Don Rasmussen



Bill Ward, Louise Davis Ritter, and George Ball



Gay Fisher Barfield (Class of '54), Danny Lee and Dorothy Lee (Class of '58)



Karen Dillingham and Don Dillingham



Bob Zirbel, Carl Stephens, and Sandy Herrod (Bob's friend)



Martha Graham Clark and Lois Wentz Durkee



Lois Stewart Bird



George Ball and Carl Stephens



Don Dillingham, Art Goldstrum and Larry Dawson



Bob Beville and Richard Bryan (Class of '55)



Louise Davis Ritter and George Ball.



Don Rasmussen, Gay Fisher Barfield, and Ann Love



Group Scene to show the crowd. Can you identify these folks from previous pictures?



LVHS students doing some kind of number! Great entertainment.



Don Klinkner and George Wilkinson



LVHS Band performed as part of the entertainment.



Bob Beville



Christine Poulos and Vern Waite



Dorothy Lee, Bob Badertscher and Don Klinkner



Martha Graham Clark, John Enomoto, Sunny Tsao, Lois Wentz Durkee, and Marian Hall Catron



Unette Crawford Wall King, Kay Peterson and Ron Petersen

**AND THAT'S ALL THERE IS -- SEE YOU THE NEXT TIME AROUND!**