

RECAP OF 2016 WILDCAT REUNION

We had a total of 548 attendees, including alumni and guests. Attendees came from all corners of the continental U.S. (including Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Massachusetts, Maryland, Mississippi, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Texas, Utah and Washington) plus Mexico. We had attendees from classes of 1937 through 2016 – a 79 year span!

Our oldest alumni attendees were Lina Pinjuv Sharp (class of 1937) and Nancy Marriott Austin (class of 1939). Our youngest attendees were two of our scholarship winners from 2016 (Alejandro Aguayo-Flores and Edgar Sepulveda). Our DJ, Brian Mesaric, is from the class of 2003.

We honored the classes of 1946 through 1950 and had 31 alumni attendees from those classes. Although the majority of attendees were from the 50's through the 70's, it appears the word is getting around to the "younger" classmates about how much fun everyone had and what a great opportunity it is to see not only your classmates, but those from other classes as well!

The program began with the entrance of the 147 member LVHS marching band, followed by LVHS cheerleaders who led attendees in a few yells! The band performed "Viva Las Vegas", and the LVHS Spectrum singing and dance group performed September.

Congratulations to the class of 1966, celebrating their 50th reunion. They had the most attendees – a total of 91. Class of 1956, celebrating their 60th reunion, had the second highest attendance with 57.



Class of 1965 won our Membership Challenge again! They have a total of 62 alumni association members, beating the class of 1956 by only 5! Their class was presented with the "revolving" trophy, champagne and candy and now has a new little wildcat named Elvira, who will join last year's wildcat Elvee on his worldwide travels during the next year!

Kae Jones Bogdanovich (class of 1956) was presented the "Outstanding Alumni of the Year" award for her on-going support and help over the years. Kae was on the LVHSAA board for 8 years and has served on the Wildcat Reunion Committee for 9 years and is always willing to help whenever asked. Congratulations Kae!

All attendees received a free door prize ticket. Patsy Graham Covin (1952) and Pamela Lunch (1966) both won \$75 gift cards for the Bootlegger Bistro, donated by Lorraine Perry Hunt-Bono (1957). Larry Oliver (19674) won a \$50 gift card donated by Sweet Tomatoes. Nancy Pracejus Craft (1955) won a \$25 gift card donated by Carrabbas's Italian Grill. Cindy Doumani, guest of Randy Soard (1966) won a \$50 gift card donated by Bonefish Grill, and Glenda Wilson Paterson (1966) won a \$60 gift card donated by the Outback Steakhouse

Members of the LVHS Student Council sold the raffle tickets, wearing red t-shirts that had "College Bound Wildcat" across the front. Miriam O'Donnell Pemberton (1955) won the grand prize, valued at \$650, donated by Terry Fator, including two tickets to the his show at the Mirage, plus a stuffed Winston turtle and a special "meet and greet" with Terry Fator. Tisa Riley Garrison (1966) won a dental package worth \$400, donated by 1957 alumni Mickey Hollingshead. George Davis (1952) won dinner for two at the Carve Steakhouse a the Eastside Cannery valued at \$200, donated by Bill Wortman (1964), Peggy Williams (1958), Charlie Carter (1966), Pat Hail (1956) and James Deakin (1976) all won beautiful baskets containing wine, cheese, crackers and chocolates, donated by Larry Ruvo (1964) and valued at \$150 each. Dale Reese (1960) won a two night's stay at the Longstreet Inn in Amargosa Valley valued at \$150, donated by Jim Marsh, and also a gift basket from the LVHSAA contained LVHS memorabilia valued at \$125. Thanks to all of our donors and everyone that bought raffle tickets, we made \$1978 for our scholarship fund!

Overall, we made over \$6000 for our Scholarship Fund, from your generous donations made along with your reservations and from the raffle, sale of Wildcat memorabilia and ads in our printed program. Many thanks to all of you that participated! Many thanks also to those of you that contributed to our mail fund along with your reservations!