

September 2, 2003

Hello Classmate of Louisiana HS Class of 1963,

**(Personal Note from Charley Blackmore, Reunion Organizer)**

“You might not know me or maybe you don’t remember me. I attended elementary school in Louisiana, Missouri from 1952 through 1955. I went to Field school for the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> grades (my teachers were; Gabriel, Stevens and Reid) and I was at the new Meriwether school in Mrs. Novell’s class for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. I became friends with Randy DeVerger, who was my neighbor on Margaret Drive. Randy and I were in Cub Scouts with Bill Leverington, Jerry Robinson and Bill Shepard. After making my first road trip, as soon as I got my driver’s license, to Louisiana and getting together with DeVerger and Leverington, I have always kept in touch every few years when I was through Louisiana. I have always managed to see Randy DeVerger, Bill Shepard, Bill Leverington, Karl Dewey or their parents when I was in Louisiana. I have always felt a closeness to Louisiana and my friends from grade school. I moved to Columbia, Missouri in July of 1955. Back in the early ‘90s, I talked to Bill Sheppard and Karl Dewey and asked them to let me know when they had their next reunion. I told them I would be happy to come and DJ free, just so I could attend the reunion. After putting together our sixth reunion, the 40<sup>th</sup> for the Hickman High School Class of 1963, my class here in Columbia, Missouri, the home of the Kewpies, I decided to find out when your class was having their 40<sup>th</sup> reunion. I checked classmates.com on the web and found Gerry Green and Jerry Robinson. Gerry Green lived in the other side of the duplex I lived in on Georgia Street in 1952, when we first moved to Louisiana. Gerry Green and Jerry Robinson got back in touch with me and let me know they remembered me and said there was no 40<sup>th</sup> reunion. That’s when this all began. I contacted Randy DeVerger, Karl Dewey and Bill Shepard and when I found out how eager they were to not put a reunion together, I decided I should do it, if you were going to have one, just kidding they have been a big help to me. Well, as they say, the rest of the story is history, as the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion of the Louisiana High School is on October 18, 2003.

I have talked to more of your classmates since June than you have in the last 25 years! It has been great fun and I hope that I will be seeing you in October. Most everyone sounded excited on the phone about the reunion! I am so disappointed that I have heard from so few classmates by now.

Several classmates have died since the 25<sup>th</sup> Reunion in 1978. By the time we have another reunion, there will probably be several more classmates gone. I ask that you take a little time and consider joining us in October. Having put six reunions together for my class in Columbia, I have acquired some wonderful friendships with people I never gave the time of day in high school and some who I didn’t even know or certainly didn’t know me. A time of getting reacquainted with classmates; who we shared most of our thoughts and sometimes our secrets with during childhood, puberty and adolescence, can prove to be a very special time. I have taken the time to get a reunion together for each and everyone of you and hope that you will take this opportunity to come see old friends and meet some new ones.”

The **40<sup>th</sup> Reunion** of the Louisiana High School Class of 1963 will be the third weekend of October, the same weekend as the Country Colorfest. It will be **Saturday, October 18, 2003** at **The Eagle’s Nest**, 221 Georgia Street in **Louisiana**. You are welcome to come as early as **4:00 PM and stay until 11:00 PM**. The dining room is ours throughout and dinner will be about **7:00 PM**.

**You must choose one of three entrées with your remittance. \$25.00 PER PERSON includes gratuity and tax.**

- 1) 12 oz New York Strip Steak with Sage Butter Sauce & Potato Mashers
- 2) Smoked Pork Loin topped with Apple and Brandy Sauce & Potato Mashers
- 3) Spiced Crusted Salmon with Creamy Cucumber Sauce & Long Grain Rice Pilaf

Entree includes: Vegetable, House Salad, French Rolls, (Coffee, Tea or Soda) & Dessert.

We will meet **Friday evening** at The Eagle’s Nest and visit on their patio weather permitting. Please come join us **Sunday morning** at The Eagle’s Nest for brunch if you would like. The Eagle’s Nest also will have at least eight Bed & Breakfast Rooms available by the time of our reunion. Booking for this weekend will require a two-night stay. **Let me know if you plan to join us Friday evening, Sunday morning or would like a room at the B & B for the weekend.**

Mail your check, pictures and biography to me soon. You can email your pictures and biography if you like.

**Make check to Louisiana HS Class of 1963 and mail to:**

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**SEE LIST ON BACK OF THIS PAGE OF THOSE WHO I HAVE NOT LOCATED  
Complete Registration (ENCLOSED) & Return it with Remittance, BIO & Picture**

Please contact me if you know how to locate any of the follow classmates. Also let me know if there is anyone else you know of who I have overlooked.

**Classmates who attended Louisiana HS**

JEANNE ALLISON  
BARBARA BATES  
ILAH BOLTON  
BARBARA BOWMAN  
JUANITA CALHOUN  
CHERYL GWYNN DAUGHERTY  
HERBERT DAWSON  
CHARLES DOUGLAS  
GEORGE DOUGLAS  
CARROLL FOX  
VERONICA GREENLEE  
GLOYD HOLMAN  
KENNETH LOYDD HUNT  
JAMES KERLEY  
HELEN MITCHELL  
LOUISE PEARL  
BETTE SMITH  
LORETTA STONEBREAKER

**Classmates from Central or Field Elementary who did not attend Louisiana HS**

RHONDA ATWELL  
BUSTER BROWN  
LEROY CALDWELL  
DAVID CHANDLER  
BOBBY CLARK  
DOROTHY COLLINS  
SHARON ELGIN  
ROBERT ELLIS  
JOYCE FUGET  
CAROLYN LANKFORD  
HOWARD MCCLERRY  
GLORIA MILLER  
DARLENE NIFFEN  
ELLIS PERKINS  
BILLY REMMERT  
MORRIS RICHARDS  
CHRISTOPHER ROCKENBAUGH  
JOAN SANDAKER  
JANET SCRANTON  
KATHLEEN SEASDORF  
JOHNNIE SKINNER  
ALBERT WEATHERS  
PETE WENZEL

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

## **TO BE RETURNED WITH REMITTANCE, BIOGRAPHY & PICTURE**

Please do not forget to send your BIOGRAPHY and a PICTURE of yourself or (preferably a picture of you & your family) **even if you are not able to join us at the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion**. I will be putting together a CD, available ONLY by request after the reunion. (At no cost, and ONLY available to YOU, if YOU contribute with your BIO & Picture) It will consist of the Class Address Directory, biographies, pictures you send, pictures taken at the reunion, ALAMO pictures and more.

If you are coming to the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion, please include your check AND your choice of entrée for dinner, WITH your BIO and PICTURE.

HERE IS A QUESTIONNAIRE FOR YOU TO COMPLETE (or use as a guideline) AND SEND WITH YOUR PICTURE, IF YOU ARE NOT INTO WRITING A BIOGRAPHY.

COMPLETE NAME IN SCHOOL:  
PRESENT NAME:  
MAILING ADDRESS:  
CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE:  
HOME PHONE:  
DATE OF BIRTH:  
NAME of SPOUSE or SIGNIFICANT OTHER:  
EMAIL ADDRESS:  
ALTERNATE EMAIL ADDRESS:  
WEBPAGE:  
TYPE OF WEBPAGE:  
COLLEGE, etc:  
DEGREES:  
OCCUPATIONS:  
FAMILY (Parents, etc):  
CHILDREN & AGES:  
GRANDS & AGES:  
NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE & EMAIL, OF SOMEONE  
WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW HOW TO REACH YOU:  
FAVORITE TEACHER or TEACHERS:  
FAVORITE SONGS IN HIGH SCHOOL (LIMIT TO 5 TITLES):  
SCHOOL MEMORIES:  
THINGS I HAVE DONE SINCE HIGH SCHOOL:  
FUTURE PLANS:  
DID YOU ATTEND 25<sup>TH</sup> REUNION?  
WILL YOU COME TO MORE REUNIONS?

FEEL FREE TO PUT ANY PART OF THIS FORM IN YOUR BIOGRAPHY IF YOU WOULD LIKE!  
DO NOT FORGET TO INCLUDE THE PICTURE!

**HOW MANY WILL ATTEND SATURDAY NIGHT @ \$25.00 PER PERSON:**  
**ENTRÉE SELECTION (STEAK, PORK or SALMON):**  
**TOTAL OF CHECK ENCLOSED:**

It is an honor to be putting this reunion together for you. I hope you are able to attend and I look forward to seeing you in October.

Respectfully,  
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