



Joplin Eagles

"JHS Class of '64"

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"Our 61st Class Reunion is Around the Corner"

"Are You Ready for a Great Time?"

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Hey! If you haven't heard our 61st class reunion will take place in 11 months, that's June 6th through the 8th at the Joplin Holiday Inn.

The class reunion committee has had one meeting and finalized several items that were on our To-Do list. We are getting ready to schedule another soon and see where we stand financially so we can keep the cost to all classmates as low as possible and still have a great time. I don't want to toot our horn but what they hey.

Where can you get all the appetizers offered by Holiday Inn at our Meet & Greet and then the Saturday buffet is a three meat with veggies, sides and desserts all for \$25 a person?

I'm sure that with things way its been the last 3 years with prices going like a kite, up & up, there will be a hike for us to face but we will do whatever it takes to keep the price affordable for any classmate that cares to attend.

We enjoy working with the management team at the hotel as they've always come through working with us.

You see, our goal from the 50th reunion forward is to make the reunion to fit your budget. Our meetings are to keep our goal as low as possible and to sum that up our reunion committee member did it best, Connie Culton Cox made us aware that we are not in the profit-making business and she was spot on with that comment.

We have classmates that help make this happen and we're counting on you once again to help out. What's very admirable about some of these they want no recognition.

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We are a proud class and we've had other classes come to us with questions of how do you do what you do. My answer is our classmates come through and a good example of that is not only the support we get for our reunion with a Meet & Greet and the Saturday night banquet but we support the college scholarship that is awarded yearly to a deserving Joplin High School student and this has been done four times with appreciation from each student to the class of '64. We will cover more on this topic in this issue.

You will be surprised what a \$5 donation will do toward making the reunion cost for a classmate to attend at a minimum. You see, how this works is the cost for our Meet & Greet and all the appetizers and the 3-meat Saturday night banquet is really \$48 a person to attend, so we buy it down and in order to do that we come to the rocks we lean on, and that's you who donate whatever you can. We are proud to give shout outs to those that donate by using your name but not the amount that you donated and made it all happen. I think that recognition is fair and the acknowledgement well deserved.

I remember when I was asked to help with the planning of the 50th I felt that it's a great team so count me in. I had always been involved with the reunion but behind the scene as I just got the directory printed once I was given the information of the classmates. We were 4 years out and I remember that Jeanne Looper Smith, Stephanie White Everitt our Treasurer and Phyllis Payne Sapp went to the old Holiday Inn to set the date to 4 years out and they looked at us as if we had two heads. I told them I wanted the dates guaranteed and what is the deposit to do that. We were told \$250 and I looked at Steph and asked her to write them a check for \$250. The look on her face was panic first class. I remember saying what? She said we only have \$130 in the checking account. I asked if I could put it on my American Express card and was told go for it. So, we had the event scheduled to take place in 4-years.

We then started making sure all i's were dotted and all t's were crossed and set up programs to grow our checking account. A car show was set and we had Carol Corbin Buck head that up as it seemed to be a great choice since she sleeps and eats that event and we had a decent turnout, not as much as we anticipated but it was better than a sharp stick in the eye. Then we asked for raffle donations and even had our talented classmate quilt lady Jeanne Lewis Owen offer one of her fabulous quilts and one classmate offered to buy a big screen TV to be part of the raffle and other various donations from classmates, this was very successful. Our next meeting, which will be coming soon we will discuss what we may need to do to grow the checking account to keep the cost to attend at a minimum. This will also depend on the donations we receive.

Donating is a very easy process. You may send a check or money order to our class Treasurer Stephanie Everitt at:

2821 Wisconsin
Joplin, MO 64804

Class of '64 Henson, Horton, Rippee Memorial Service Scholarship

Our 4th annual scholarship was awarded May 8th at Joplin High School. Students, parents, guests, and faculty attended the evening program. After the Presentation of Colors and the National Anthem, ours was the first presented. Since it is a service related memorial, the administration and counselors feel it appropriate we present at that time. This year, Mitch Stinnett represented the class as Mike Greenstreet, Richard LaNear, and Mike Chapman did in prior years. As veterans, each has voiced exceptional comments with the audience. They included the draft having been in place sixty years ago when we were seniors and told of the ultimate sacrifice our three classmates made in Vietnam. Mitch served in the Air Force as a flight surgeon after completing medical school and two years of surgery. It is always interesting to see the seniors hear what our veterans share with them. Mitch, thanks for doing a super presentation.

This year's scholarship was presented to Roxanna Yost. She will be attending the University of Central Arkansas in Conway and plans to major in Interior Design. Roxanna attended all four years of high school at JHS. To qualify for the application, a Joplin student must have completed a Franklin Tech course and have a relative who is currently serving or is a veteran. Roxanna completed the Engineering Graphics Program. Her sister who is married to an Air Force member is also currently serving in the Air Force. Roxanna's stepfather is a Marine Veteran. High school counselors' interview and select the recipient of our scholarship. I visited with Roxanna a few days later, and she asked that I extend her sincere appreciation to the Class of '64. She is a lovely young lady who looks forward to continuing her education. During high school, she has worked at Kohl's department store.

This year is a \$1,000 award while the former three have been \$500 each. It is our hope that the class will be able to fund the scholarship for many years. Counselors encouraged the donors to consider increasing amounts as \$500 doesn't go far today. As you know, John Keeling came up with the idea at the 55th Reunion, and many contributed then and now. Perhaps, Memorial or Veteran's Day would be times classmates might consider making donations. Checks should be sent to Stephanie White Everitt, 2821 Wisconsin Ave., Joplin, MO 64804 and made out to Class of '64 with a memo of "Scholarship". Thanks to all who have donated to the scholarship; I wish each of you could meet the recipients in person. They are truly grateful.

Phyllis Payne Sapp

A photo of the presentation is on the following page



Mitch Stinnett and Roxanna Yost



My daughter and I were eating at Hugo's in Fayetteville, AR. Jay popped in for a hamburger!

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Must be date night!



**If people don't like you, it's
okay.**

**You only need to be concerned
if dogs don't like you. ♥**

We still have 15 classmates unaccounted for. If you have any idea where these classmates could be, feel free to share with us so we can update our class directory. The blue font is where they were living when we lost contact with them.

"Please check these names and help find our missing classmates"

Gary M Colvin

Rayma Jean Coy (Tulsa, OK area)

James "Jim" Hilton

Clair Howard

La Donna Miller

Carol Munson (Wrench) (Bell, MO)

Emma Nunn

Judy Osborne (Gardner) (Joplin)

Richard Lee Pearson

Patty Riley (Brewer) (Joplin)

Naomi June Shelton (Possibly Deceased but cannot verify)

Drucilla Short

Robert Joe "Bob" Smith

Jack Sneed

William "Bill" Ray Stow

"If You Change Your Contact Information"

Please help us out. Don't forget to include us on any changes in your contact information. If you should move or change telephone, snail mail address or email address please let us know. It's very easy and you may do so by clicking on the following link joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com, and enter your information, then click "Send".



Remembrances and Sympathy to our Classmates and Family:

We extend our sympathy to the family in the passing of our classmate Bobbie Jo Davis Russell.

<https://www.parkermortuary.com/obituaries/Bobbie-J-Russell?obId=31498961>

Our condolences go out the family of our classmate Michael "Mike" Hartman.

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/legacyremembers/michael-hartman-obituary?id=55642201>

"Old age comes at a bad time." – San Banducci

"Inside every older person is a younger person wondering what happened." - Jennifer Yane

"Old age is like a plane flying through a storm. Once you are aboard there is nothing you can do about it." - Golda Meir

"The older I get, the more clearly I remember things that never happened. - Mark Twain

"I'm at that age where my back goes out more than I do." - Phyllis Diller

"Nice to be here? At my age it's nice to be anywhere." – George Burns

"You spend 90 percent of your adult life hoping for a long rest and the last 10 percent trying to convince the Lord that you're actually not that tired." – Robert Brault

"Old people shouldn't eat health foods. They need all the preservatives they can get." – Robert Orben

"At my age, flowers scare me." - George Burns

"At age 20, we worry about what others think of us... at age 40, we don't care what they think of us... at age 60, we discover they haven't been thinking of us at all." - Ann Landers

"The older I get, the better I used to be." -- Lee Trevino

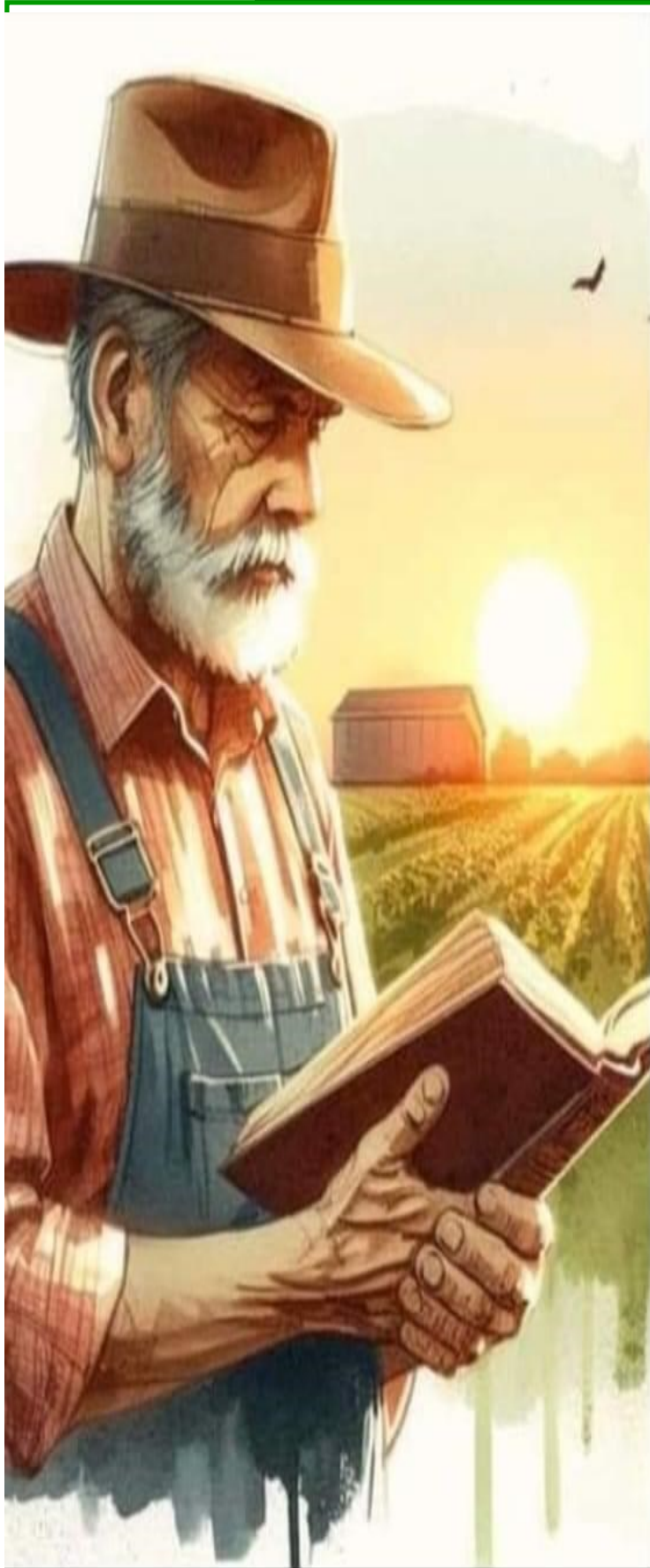


In High School I was so excited to become a Senior. I'm not too excited now.

**If a Southern woman says
"What did you say?", she isn't
asking you to repeat it**



**She's asking if you're good
with Jesus...cause you're
about to meet Him**



"The BIBLE is
the Only Book
where the
AUTHOR is
in Love with
the Reader..."

John 3:16

2 Timothy 3:15

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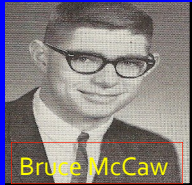
When I was little, I didn't care what I wore. I just went along with what my parents chose.

When I look in old photo albums, I realize that they didn't care either.

Will Rogers sayings:

1. Never slap a man who's chewing tobacco.
2. Never kick a cow chip on a hot day.
3. There are two theories to arguing with a woman. Neither works.
4. Never miss a good chance to shut up.
5. Always drink upstream from the herd
6. If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.
7. The quickest way to double your money is to fold it and put it back into your pocket.
8. There are three kinds of men The ones that learn by reading. The few who learn by observation. The rest of them have to pee on the electric fence and find out for themselves.
9. Good judgment comes from experience, and a lot of that comes from bad judgment.
10. If you're riding' ahead of the herd, take a look back every now and then to make sure it's still there.
11. Lettin' the cat outta' the bag is a whole lot easier'n puttin' it back.
12. After eating an entire bull, a mountain lion felt so good he started roaring. He kept it up until a hunter came along and shot him. The moral: When you're full of bull, keep your mouth shut.

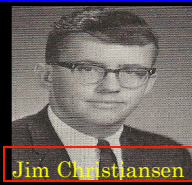
ABOUT GROWING OLDER... First ~ Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it. Second ~ The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for. Third ~ Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me; I want people to know 'why' I look this way. I've traveled a long way, and some of the roads weren't paved. Fourth ~ When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra. Fifth ~ You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks. Sixth ~ I don't know how I got over the hill without getting to the top. Seventh ~ One of the many things no one tells you about aging is that it's such a nice change from being young. Eighth ~ One must wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been. Ninth ~ Being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable and relaxed. Tenth ~ Long ago, when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today it's called golf. And, finally ~ If you don't learn to laugh at trouble, you won't have anything to laugh at when you're old.



Bruce McCaw



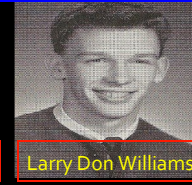
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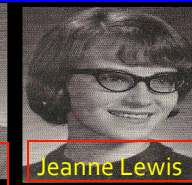
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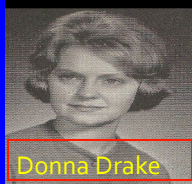
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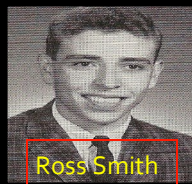
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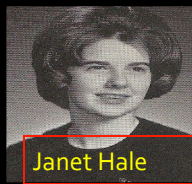
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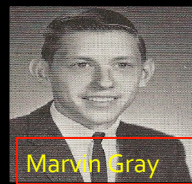
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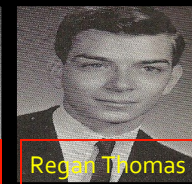
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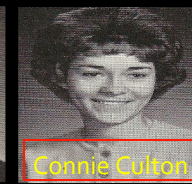
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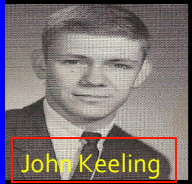
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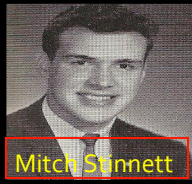
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John Keeling



Joyce Tillman



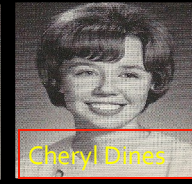
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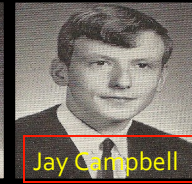
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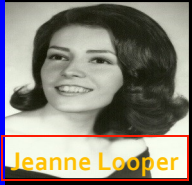
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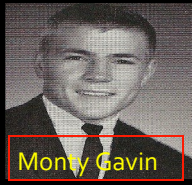
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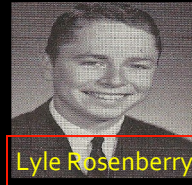
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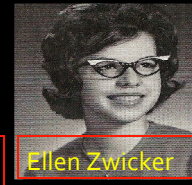
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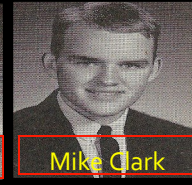
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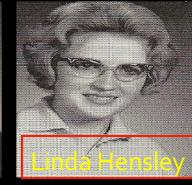
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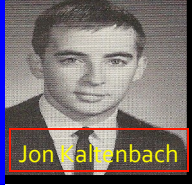
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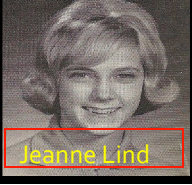
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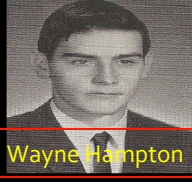
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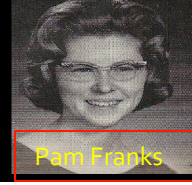
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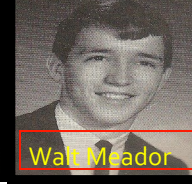
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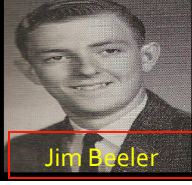
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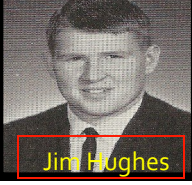
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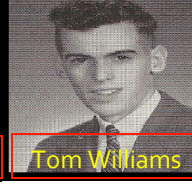
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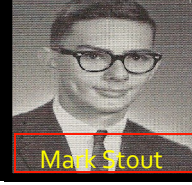
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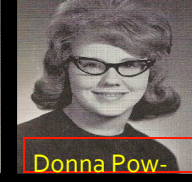
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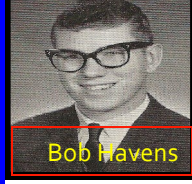
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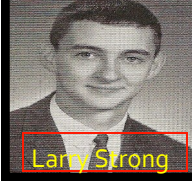
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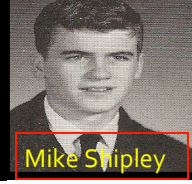
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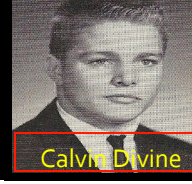
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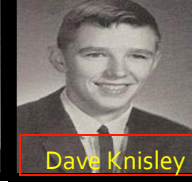
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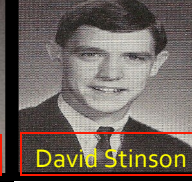
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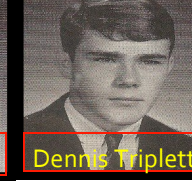
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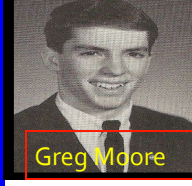
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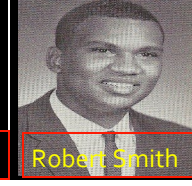
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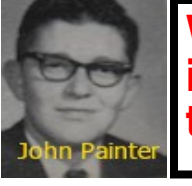
Greg Moore



Robert Smith



Billie Lenger



John Painter

We are still patiently waiting for your bio to be added to the wall of fame.

There is plenty of room to add folks to the bio section, how about joining in?

The wrap is basically a wrap on the class reunion that will be taking place in eleven months June 6th through the 8th at the Joplin Holiday Inn. We had our preliminary meeting and have been guaranteed those dates so, the Meet & Greet on Friday from 2:00 to no later than 6:00. We will have the Saturday evening banquet from 6:00 to 10:00.

We will also set up Saturday morning for all those interested to play golf and Jim Christiansen will be the captain heading that up and we hope to have that set up with the Schifferdecker folks as soon as they say they are able to place the reservation on the date requested. It seems that they do not take reservations way in advance, so if you have an inkling to play a round Saturday morning the earlier you let us know the better. You may do that via email sent to the class email at joplinmo64@joplinmo64.com.

Our planning is somewhat incomplete at the moment as several things will depend upon our checking account. But we will do our best to keep the entire event as low as we can and that all will depend on the funds that we have to work with. The committee will be having another meeting in a few weeks and hope working with Madison at the Holiday Inn we will nail down the room rate then get a ball park figure on the cost of the groceries we'll serve at the Banquet as well as the Meet and Greet and then once that is completed we will see what monies we have and then sharpen our pencil and see what we can inform all what the cost per person is for a fantastic time at a two day event will be.

I would imagine that we will discuss what we can do to add to any donations we receive, then consideration may be another car show, possibly another raffle that we sure had success with the last time. If you have anything worthy of being in the raffle, we will be happy to add that to the kitty.

So, if you have any loose coins laying around, we would be thrilled to put that to great use making our reunion a cataclysmic experience for all.

Any ideas from classmates will be considered, so feel free to drop us a suggestion, your input will be more than appreciated.

Any check or money order made out to Joplin Class of 64 may be sent to Stephanie Everitt at:

2821 Wisconsin

Joplin, MO 64804

We sure hope you can join us it's very heartwarming to reconnect.



Dave Knisley