## Dear UA Class of 1969,

## A ZILLION THANKS TO ELLEN, BECAUSE WITHOUT HER WEBSITE, MUCH WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE! THANK YOU, ELLEN!!

Here are a few sentences from an email I sent Ellen, Sunday, afternoon. And a few more I've added about the reunion, in general.

\* <u>Brent Hawley's music was unbelievably beautiful.</u> (a classmate suggested to me that we add it to the website. (Ellen is already thinking about adding it on that after the photos are up on the site)

A couple of the parents today(at the Memorial), looked a bit frail. There was another woman in a wheel chair, and I didn't get to see who that was, do you know? To me she didn't look that old.

Have we done the **<u>photos</u>** like that before? Maybe I left too early and missed them, in the past. I got to be in Barrington, Wickliffe and Hastings! Woo hoo!! **<u>Too fun!</u>** 

I thought the <u>food was the best ever</u> last night! Our table was lucky, too. We got up to the food bar, and two things were about empty, and they were immediately replaced, so we got fresh hot on everything! And it was delicious. I really don't think I've been at a large dinner like that where every single thing tasted great! (Over the past few decades, in Navy life there are a lot of formal dinners)

I also <u>love</u> our white t-shirts, they look nice, and are made well and use nice t-shirt fabric, not cheesy cheap. Good job!

The other thing I thought about was that Julie was worrying that even though people said they really didn't want a program, so they could talk without being interrupted, would they be sorry afterwards? I don't think so. I stopped a couple different times, and just listened to the room, and looked around. <u>It was great! It really was nonstop talking.</u> I am surprised anyone could eat!

It was a **great evening**, and well worth saving my energy to do it! I told Jim, that for me personally, **this really was the best reunion I have ever attended.** 

I was unable due to MS, to help build the float or attend the picnic, but heard it was fun. Thanks to Jim Long for always providing the staging area, and to Vickie for organizing the picnic.

I wish I could have ridden on the **float**, as it looked so cute. The pictures showed just how cute it was. I don't know who won, reunion float, but ours was really

great. I loved all the pictures Busby and Nancy took!

And to **<u>Reverend Long, you were so good.</u>** I loved that I could hear you and actually understand what you were saying! It was wonderful, Thank you so much.

Again to Ellen, Thanks for everything you, Pat, Julie, Karen, Dave Cooper and all chairs involved, did to make this great. I loved it.

\* Another suggestion, I think from Susie Wagner, Sorry, Susan Wagner, was that maybe we could have **anyone interested in hosting a classmate guest over the 4th,** have a sign up section, maybe on the website? Or notice on the site, and a list of phone numbers, or Classmates who would have a guest. I had 5 stay at my home for 3 nights. We had a ball!

I had thought and had heard some suggest that our class does too much over the 4th. But, one of my 5 guests, made the comment that, if you are coming from a long distance, it is better to have more. It is a great expense to fly in from LA or Seattle for only one event. Good Point!

\* Nancy B, and I were sitting on the floor (ok, she on floor, me on chair) going through old college stuff on Sunday morning, she said we really do need one extra day to the whole reunion thing! We never got a chance to just sit down and yak and catch up. True. So, what I used to think was too much, in reality, isn't quite enough!! We needed one day more -- to do nothing, but talk!

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My last comment is a personal statement, I am the **least photogenic** person on earth. I am totally aware I don't look that good to begin with, but in photos It is even worse. So, if there are any on the site, or in your cameras, please remember I am actually 100 pounds lighter than they appear, and not nearly as gross, ugly or stupid as they will look. Really!

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