## The Lone Ranger – Class of 75 Version April 2024 Edition

We will culminate Reunion Week 14 months from today with an amazing night at **Philbrook!** To get our class ready, we have decided to launch a monthly newsletter edition of the repurposed Lone Ranger today! Here is our lead story...

The contract with Philbrook has been officially signed! We started planning for our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary almost two years ago. Why? Because June is wedding month in America, and venues are hard to come by. We wanted the best venue possible and knew we needed to be first in line. Most companies we talked with did not sign contracts two-plus years into the future. So, we waited patiently, continuing to keep in touch with our Philbrook rep until early this year when they started taking 2025 contracts. We signed the contract and paid the down payment. At the signing, Philbrook relayed that they are allowing us even more access to the facilities, making this amazing night even more special. Philbrook will be the crowning jewel of **Reunion Week June 12-15, 2025**.

Stay tuned to the Lone Ranger to learn more!

Thanks to generous classmates and past Reunion Committee's work, we were able to pay our initial deposits! In addition to signing officially the contract with Philbrook we have also signed a contract with Ludger's Catering Service. Ludger's is one of Tulsa's most sought-after catering firms, and again, given the wedding season, we are thrilled to have them signed and locked in. Finally, we have secured the services of an event coordinator, Mary Fencl Event Planning, who will help us do much of the heavy work on the night of the 14<sup>th</sup>, freeing us up to enjoy Philbrook. All deposits are paid and now we have time to raise the funds for the remaining balances.

We took the baton from the last Committee in the summer of 2022 with just over \$2K in the account, which was used for part of the down payments described above. Through your generosity, we started April 2024 with \$3,498.23 in the bank.

## The Reunion Committee has been expanded!

Mark Brooks, our chairman, has served for the last two years with a small Executive Committee comprised of Lucy Lee Goodwin as Vice Chair, Cindy Nightingale White as Treasurer, and Linda Judkins Klingman as an at-large member. At the same time, we have had Kelly Knopp's legal counsel. We also benefited from the counsel and advice of out-of-state classmates Anne Markham Coffman and Robert Flinn. All of these classmates have been asked to continue their service to our class.

With Reunion Week fast approaching, we knew we needed additional bodies to help pull off all the logistics required. We are pleased to announce the following new members:

Ed Meyer Keith Weismann Lesa Ashcraft Zundel
Jill Overhuls
Stacy Huggins Boyd
Cindy Russell Mumma
Gaye Briley Marrs
Mike Goodman - Ex officio
Debbie Key Zickefoose - Hales Angels Rep
Ted Harbaugh - Hales Men Rep

Our first official meeting will be on Thursday, April 18th.

**Do you have any Rangers For Life swag?** Right now, we are featuring a new long-sleeve pullover, which is our best giveaway yet. A giveaway? Yes, we don't sell things, but for donations to our General Fund, you can get whatever swag we are featuring. This spring, it is our pullover shirt. For more information or to make a purchase, go to our Facebook page or contact Lucy Goodwin at <a href="mailto:llgoodwin@cox.net">llgoodwin@cox.net</a>

"I'm coming to Tulsa. Can we schedule a meet-up?" Randy Padek sent us that message a few weeks ago. So, we started planning, and now we can announce a reunion potluck picnic gettogether for any classmate in the Tulsa area on June 8th from 11 AM to 7 PM at LaFortune Park! We will keep you posted.

**Speaking of keeping posted.** Finding the best way to communicate with hundreds of classmates is one of our greatest challenges. However, we have found that the best way is through Facebook. For those that worry about security, we have a private room which helps keep the noise down. Here you will find not only up to date information but also fun exchanges between classmates. Every week, there are new photos, information, and updates.

To connect, you can go to: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/77391774595">https://www.facebook.com/groups/77391774595</a>

Also, you can find information and keep up to date at <a href="https://www.hale75alumni.org/">https://www.hale75alumni.org/</a>

We would love to hear from you! And, if you want to help let us know. Reunion Week is going to be a blast that you will not want to miss. We look forward to seeing you there!