

Friday Evening Gathering at the Du Kum Up: 43 members of the alumni reunion joined the Friday night get-together. Everyone enjoyed the great chicken strips, ribs, cheeseburgers, onion rings and fries. It is rumored that large quantities of adult beverages were consumed.

Friday Late Night: Led by several of the '70s group, the Too Tall's bar was revisited. Pineapple Bombs were the drink of choice!

Saturday Morning: Dr. Tom Ritchie joined the alumni at the home of David and Debbie Nichols. A continental breakfast was just right after the night before for many of the attendees. Over 50 people attended this event to renew Tom's acquaintance. THANKS DAVID AND DEBBIE!

Saturday Recital: The recital of Tom Ritchie music was definitely the highlight of the weekend. From the opening community singing of "Shall we gather at the River" to the final beautiful notes of Melodie Rissler Chitty, it seemed perfect. 74 members of the reunion attended the recital. Thank you Susan See!!!

Saturday BBQ at Ryle Commons: Food consumed included 56 hamburgers, 48 hotdogs, 25 brats, 2 gallons of beans, 6 family size bags of potato chips, 72 sodas (that's pop for you people from Iowa), and several canned adult beverages. Thanks to the men of Phi Mu Alpha and the women of Sigma Alpha Iota.

Saturday afternoon: boat rides were enjoyed by 21 people at 1000 Hills Lake. Thanks to Captain Randy Smith!

Happy Hour! A rousing time was had by all at the Gala banquet, starting with happy hour and a chance to view lots of memorabilia and pictures and a great slide show courtesy of Frank North. Thanks to all of you who brought pictures, they were all great.

Banquet! 67 alumni, emeritus faculty and current faculty attended the festivities at the Kirksville Country Club. Some great food was enjoyed. Our emcee Ron Allen served up a great menu of memories from several people. Tom was given a chance to rebut all of the stories that had been told and most of the group was teary-eyed by the time those moments were over. A great jam session was put together by Tim AuBuchon and Bill McKemy.

Saturday Late Night included a trip back to the Du Kum and it is rumored that several members of the reunion closed the place down.

Sunday Morning: Lots of different locations were used by groups of alumni for breakfast on Sunday morning. I believe that most reunion attendees went to Pancake City. "I'm a Staving Man Breakfast" seemed to be the favorite order!

It was sad to have the reunion come to an end, but the memories will last forever. Thank you for attending!