

St. Mike's Class of 87 Reunion

"Hope to see you there!"

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1	Reunion Deposit	Mark your calendars: July 13 - July 15, 2012	"Party Central
1	St. Mike's Artifacts	Meet and Greet: Friday, July 13 - Curling Club starts @ 7 p.m.	has been booked for the dance.
2	Down Memory Lane	Family Picnic:	Corey Piercey is a
3	Brian Dwyer	Saturday, July 14 - Church Road Park starting at 12 p.m.	highly sought after DJ in the town.
3	John McHugh	Dinner and Dance: Saturday, July 14 - Mount Peyton starts @ 7 p.m.	He has an excellent variety of tunes!"
4	Accommodations	(cocktails @ 6 p.m.)	
4	Other Items	Alternative Events: Sunday, July 15 - various venues	
4	White Water Rafting	Please make sure you take the <u>Activities Survey</u>	

Reunion Deposit:

A deposit of \$40 is required by the end of this summer. More details will be sent out via a personal email to each person who indicated they are going to attend or maybe attending.

This will cover deposits for venues and other reunion preparation activities.

The actual breakdown of costs per person will be emailed out this fall. Of course, if you are not participating in all events, your costs will be less and you may not have to make the additional payments.



St. Mike's Artifacts:

We want you to bring things you still have that symbolizes St. Mike's! Dig out your uniforms, pom poms, awards, etc... We are planning to have a memory wall / table at the Meet and Greet.

A special thanks to Jennifer Kelly for scanning her "M" for us!



A Walk Down Memory Lane

On May 9, 1987, we celebrated our graduation. It was a very special day for all of us filled with lots of laughter and tears. We spent our teenage years walking the halls of St. Mike's learning about life.

Our valedictorian, John McHugh gave us an inspirational speech to empower us for our journey ahead. He used our grad theme, "As We Follow Life's Different Paths, Friendship Will Bridge The Distance Between Us", as his motivation for his words. He made us all think about the years ahead of us and how precious our time in High School was. In his speech, he stated that there may not be a time when we are all formally gathered again. Our reunion is our chance to make that a false statement. Let's embrace this chance to see each other again and reminisce about our precious time as tender young adults.

We are planning a fun-filled weekend with lots to do. We have also picked the weekend prior to the Salmon Festival so that if you are travelling home, you can consider staying the extra week to take in those festivities as well.

An excerpt from one of our Grand March songs:

Goodbye my friends, The stars wait for me Who knows where we shall meet again...

© We will meet again - July 13, 2012!!!







St. Mike's Class of 87 Reunion – June Newsletter

Classmate Bio – Brian Dwyer

Hi Everyone,

I married Janis Critch in August of 89. We have two children; Erin is convocating from Dalhousie University in June with her chemical engineering degree. Christopher is in his third year at MUN pursing a chemistry degree like dad. I finished my BSc in chemistry at MUN in 94 and an education degree the following year. I started teaching in Harbour Grace that fall, where we are settled still. I started in the lab at the refinery in Come by Chance in 97 and have been there since. I have been a volunteer fire fighter for 13 years and am also in the reserves for the past 4 years.

I know we are supposed to slow down as we get older. Iol We don't have much spare time but when the chance arises I like a game of golf or Texas Hold'em.

Life is good in this neck of the woods. Definitely looking forward to seeing as many of you who can make it next summer.



Take care all. B

Classmate Bio – John McHugh



Hi everyone,

I make the pilgrimage every year back home. This pic is from last summer at the boat.

I've been working for Chrysler at the Brampton Assembly Plant. The facility is 3.5 million sq ft, 3000 folks strong and we build 930 cars per day; the Chrysler 300, Dodge Charger and Dodge Challenger. Presently, I'm Facility Engineer and Early Equipment (Design) Manager for new process automation (robotic welding assembly and such). The auto industry has been a heck of a ride lately. It's always nice to get back home where the pace is a tad slower, and, of course, people are real and down to earth.

I'm looking forward to getting home for the 25th. I hope lots of our class can make it.

Later,

John McHugh

Accommodations

We have secured a special room rate from the Mount Peyton, but it is based on a minimum of 10 rooms being booked. Currently, we have some rooms still available. If you require a room, please let us know so you can take advantage this savings. As you know, there are very few places to stay in town. Rooms book up quickly.

Other Items:

- We need bios / updates! Send us a little summary to what you have been up to since graduation. Include a picture for the newsletter.
- If you want to submit an article for the newsletter, email it to us.
- If anyone has any photos from high school, please email them to us. We are seeking more photos for the newsletters.

White Water Rafting

We have had lots of interest in this activity. The trip is designed with the perfect balance for both first-timers and experienced rafters alike. You will have the opportunity to swim throughout the day as well as at the Badger Chute where a huge re-circulating current carries you back to where you jumped from the rocks. Amazed at the power and pristine waters of the Exploits, swimmers let the currents play with them in the "boiling" but friendly rapids, only to be carried back to where they jumped in to start all over again.

This swim at the Chute is just one of the reasons why 3 out of 4 river rafters are either return visitors or have sought us out on the recommendations of friends. Half way through the trip we stop on a rock island where we enjoy a hearty nutritious picnic lunch, kick back and relax. Here, children and adults alike can explore, swim, and surf in the rafts.

The Badger Run rafting trip departs daily at 11am and returns around 5pm. There is also an option for an evening trip to be available on select dates or for larger groups. The cost is \$99 per adult and \$75 per child under 12.

We already have 29 slots filled. The maximum capacity for each run is 32 (4 rafts @ 8 each). We are considering booking an evening run as well to allow more people to participate. Those of you who already expressed an interest in this activity, you will be contacted for their preference. If you want to decline on this activity, please let us know via: stmikesclassof87@gmail.com.







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