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2011 - A Reminder to Live Life to the Fullest

This year has brought with it the very sad news that several of our classmates have died in recent months. Pat Lewis Knudtson, Goldie Moyer Clemens, Cheryl Cornwell Goad, Stella Warren Farley, Kathy Wehmer Zahradnek, and Linda Brown Phillips. Their deaths are a reminder to us that each day provides opportunities to live life to the fullest. Attending Stella's funeral in particular, was a reminder too, that the Class of 60 is a close and kind group of people. The Glitzy Chicks under the leadership of Charlene Farrow Shipman all attended in their purple and red garb at Stella's request. She had told them that she wanted them to remember her with this special appearance and there they were seated in two rows of the church saying goodbye to Stella and remembering her with the warmest of thoughts..

We will miss Pat this year during our scholarship process. She was a really encouraging member of the committee and she herself presented a scholarship in her husband's memory. And we will miss the others who have left us as we go about our daily lives.

Their goodness lives on in the memories we have of them, and we were privileged to have known them.

Scholarships – A Living Legacy

First, I want to say thank you to everyone who contributed to the scholarship fund since its inception and particularly those who gave at the 50th Reunion. Our scholarship fund is a tribute to the "Heart" in our class. The warmth of everyone, the encouragement to give a gift for the future, and the help that you provide when we go about the business of selecting our recipients is so appreciated.

We have been giving scholarships since 2005. We try to give them to students who are hard workers in school, who have achieved right around a 2.8-3.0 grade average, who have given in their community, and who have a clear notion of a career path. These are the kids who need financial assistance to continue their education and would not likely receive scholarships from other donors. We will be meeting on April 27 to choose our next four recipients, from the three high schools. We have choose 2 Mountainview, 1 Auburn, & 1 Auburn Riverside Thank you for all that you do, to support the Class of 1960, Auburn High School..



5 Reasons to Get Involved in Auburn Organizations

- **1.** Motivate yourself to keep busy, involved and more interesting by doing something for someone else.
- **2.** Volunteer and make a visible difference in the community and take credit for your work.
- **3.** Learn from others and develop new skills too.
- **4.** Get a good feeling from being needed and helping out, others will appreciate your help.
- 5. Own a piece of your community through your participation.

Examples of some current involvement in the Auburn Community by Class of 60 members include Nancy Fallert Colson with the Auburn Symphony and Auburn Soroptomists, Denny Holt with the Auburn Rotary, Tom Pranger with the Classic Car Club, Red Hat Members – Charlene Farrow Shipman, Monica Miller Saalfeld, Rosie Johanns, Lilith Brown Rambur, Kathy Hargan and many more. Let us know what you are doing and we will share your activities in future newsletters.

10 Best-Rated States for Retirement

Many highly personal factors come into play when it's time to pick the perfect place to retire. Everything from availability of tee times to proximity to grandkids can have an impact on your decision. There's no one-size-fits-all formula. After all, one retiree's paradise can be another's hellish nightmare.

A super-low crime rate and modest tax burden put New Hampshire at the top of Money-Rates.com's list

Money-Rates.com is trying to add some objectivity to what's otherwise a very individualized life choice. The finance website looked at a number of factors to come up with a list of the 10 best states for retirement. The criteria include climate, crime rate, life expectancy and economic conditions such as cost of living, job opportunities and taxes.

The No. 1 state on the list might come as a surprise to many considering that it's a long way away from the Sun Belt. Despite its climate challenges, New Hampshire is the best-rated state to retire to because of its super-low crime rate, modest living costs and reasonable tax burden. Hawaii came in second, thanks to gorgeous weather and long life expectancy, followed by South Dakota, which is both safe and affordable.

Here are all 10 best states for retirement according to Money-Rates.com

- 1. New Hampshire Low crime, modest liiving expense, low tax
- Hawaii Long life expectancy, great weather
- 3. South Dakota affordable, low tax, safe environment
- 4. North Dakota safe environment, great r ecreation, Cost of living
- 5. Iowa
- 6. Virginia
- 7. Utah
- 8. Connecticut
- 9. Vermont
- 10. Idaho

Here are the 10 worst states for retirement according to Money-Rates.com

- **1. Illinois** Poor fiscal health
- **2. California** Expensive, and its finances are in disarray
- 3. New York Very high taxes, including property taxes
- **4. Rhode Island** Worst-off state in the Northeast from a financial viewpoint, high taxes
- **5. New Jersey** Highest property taxes in the US, has pension funding issues
- **6. Ohio** High unemployment and cold winters
- 7. Wisconsin High propertytaxes and frigid weather
- **8. Massachusetts** High cost of living and high property taxes
- **9. Connecticut** Taxes Social Security and has high property taxes
- **10. Nevada** Foreclosure capital of the world rankedents.com

A SummarizedQoute From Andy Rooney;

A woman over 50 will never wake you in the middle of the night and ask, 'What are you thinking?' She doesn't care what you think.

If a woman over 50 doesn't want to watch the game, she doesn't sit around whining about it. She does something she wants to do, and it's usually more interesting.

Women over 50 are dignified. They seldom have a screaming match with you at the opera or in the middle of an expensive restaurant. Of course, if you deserve it, they won't hesitate to shoot you if they think they can get away with it.

Older women are generous with praise, often undeserved. They know what it's like to be unappreciated.

Women get psychic as they age. You never have to confess your sins to a woman over 50.

Once you get past a wrinkle or two, a woman over 50 is far sexier than her younger counterpart.

The Boys of '60...

It's an annual event. They used to go on strenuous hiking trips with heavy back packs up into the mountains. To remote high-mountain lakes to camp for days and fish for hungry trout as the ice melted off the water. After many years they began to have excuses – very legitimate ones of sore backs, knee problems, just not in good shape anymore. They may have slowed down just a little (or a lot) – but they keep up the tradition.

They do still get together every spring and they still get out their fishing poles and tackle boxes and go fishing together for elusive lake trout. Now they drive to a lake, high and remote but with little cabins that are heated and have comfortable beds and electricity. They fish in boats with trolling motors and a little more comfort than float tubes or standing for hours on shore. But they still strive to outdo one another by catching the biggest fish or the most fish.

They argue over wet flies or dry flies and discuss the best time of day and speed to troll or spot to test their skill (or luck). And they also play a lot of poker if the weather happens to take a bad turn. These are **boys of the Class of 1960**, in **AHS** together over fifty years ago. In elementary school and junior high together, way back when.

Grandfathers now, they have not forgotten how to be boys – and they're still friends, with good memories and lots of stories still in the making.

Humor Section

Sometimes it works out;

Two brothers, living together, made their living as traveling salesmen. One day, sitting in the kitchen, the elder brother calls to the other. "What's up?", asked the younger brother. The older brother replied, " Do you remember about nine months ago when we got trapped in that storm?", "Yeah...", "And it started raining?" "You mean when we stopped at the beautiful widow's house for the night?" "That's the one. did you happen to 'pay her a visit' in the middle of the night?" "Yeah. So?" "And did you happen to use my name?" "Yes, I did. Oh my God... is she..." "Yup. She's dead and she left me everything."

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"male lion not cheat on wife, but **Tiger Wood**",

"man who drive like **Hell**, is bound to get there soon."

Trojan Trumpet Humor

This was taken from the Trojan Trumpet humor:

Good Old Dayswhen a teenager went into the garage and came out with the lawn mower.

"I hope you paid your taxes with a smile last month."
"I wanted to, but the man insisted on cash."

Did you hear about the Cannibal who went to the psychiatrist because he was fed up with people?

No formal dinner is complete without nuts. Always invite a few.

There is no greater satisfaction than parking on what is left of the other fellow's nickel.

"SEX" is not the answer,

"YES" is the answer.