

Public Forum

DHS reunion job well done

To the editor,

A letter of commendation and appreciation is certainly in order for the planners, organizers, and volunteers whose efforts culminated in the superbly organized and well-attended "All-Class Reunion" of Dublin High School classmates and alumni at the New River Valley Fairgrounds in Dublin on August 18.

Obviously, no stone was left unturned in the Planning Committee's search for areas of interest to present to the almost 1,500 classmates who came from far and near to renew friendships and acquaintances and to take the proverbial walk down Memory Lane.

There were a myriad (and that seemingly cubed) of delights and surprises in the memorabilia, mementos, and activities offered for enjoyment throughout the day. Items of interest included "ancient" football jackets, cheerleading uniforms and prom dresses. (The oldest dress on display was that of still-beautiful Mattie Hall, Miss Dublin - 1937, who attended with her husband, Ebb Hall, Class of 1934.) Classmates also enjoyed viewing the many memory-evoking photographs and the collages of **The Southwest Times** articles relating the competition and depicting the physical prowess of an earlier day.

Among the activities provided for the classmates' interest and enjoyment were golf at the Pulaski Country Club; and bus tours to local areas of interest which included Claytor Lake and Randolph Parks, the New River Valley Airport, the Battle of Cloyd's Mountain, Motor Mile Speedway, and the old Dublin High School; as well as the dedication of a 25-year, stainless steel Time Capsule which will rest in the care of the New River Community College Library. Lunch, an evening program, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and dancing were also featured. Of special interest were the Classic Cars, rebuilt or refurbished and maintained by fellow classmates, and an almost-full-size DHS float. There was also an area devoted to the memory of classmates and faculty no longer with us and whose memories we shall always cherish.

To the Planning Committee and the many volunteers and organizations whose special talents and contributions made it possible for the classmates and alumni of Dublin High School (1911 - 1974) to enjoy once again our special DHS family - we say to you (borrowing the August 18 page from our "Thoughts and Emotions Daybook"): Congratulations!, Well Done!, Super Job!, and we graciously extend to each of you our warm and heartfelt thanks.

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Class of 1958