

02/27/10 Que Pasa Grill: Our Class lunch is set for this coming Friday, March 5, 2010 at the Que Pasa Grill on Panama Lane. If you have some time around noon, drop in and see some old classmates and catch up on folks' lives.

02/20/10 AHS Class of 72' Luncheon: Our next class luncheon is set for Friday, March 5, 2010, at Que Pasa Mexican Grill on Panama Lane, just west of Freeway 99. People will start arriving as early as 11:30 a.m., but most folks roll in some time shortly after noon. Everybody was back about their days by 1:30 p.m., though some had to leave much earlier; it depends on your own time commitments and schedule. If you are planning on attending, you'll take the Panama Lane exit from the Freeway and go west. If you are driving on surface streets you'll need to get to Panama Lane and head West across the Freeway. Que Pasa is on the North side of the street next to Molly J's coffee shop. If you reach Wible Road, you've gone too far.

02/13/10 The Count Down Continues: Our countdown to the annual get together continues; it is four months out now. This year it's on June 12, 2010 and being held in Bakersfield, CA at Marlene 'Leary' Baughman's home. You should already have the date marked down in your calendar. More than 120 invitations went out yesterday and if you were on last year's mailing list, you are still on the list. If you were not on last year's mailing list, then I need your address to get you the details. Send me an email at farrellneeley@aol.com and I'll make sure you get the details on time, date, and location. This year we are planning a 'Taco Bar' and the cost is only \$5 per person. We look forward to seeing everyone that was there last year and many more...Tell a friend!

02/13/10 Friends of Rocky Handy Update: We have our annual update of how much interest we can expect from the Rocky Handy Memorial Scholarship Fund Endowment. Follow the link in blue at the start of this text to get more details.

02/12/10 The Invites Are In The Mail: The first invitations to the annual Class of 1972 get together are going out in the mail today. If you do not receive one, then I do not have your contact information. We always have a great time at these events and we miss you when you are not there. If you want to be added to our mailing list, even if you are not going to be coming to the June get together, you need to drop me a line do so at farrellneeley@aol.com so I can get you in on future mailings. There is no charge and there is no obligation, so drop me a line and start getting in touch. Another mailing is coming out in about 40 days, so get us your information to receive future mailings...

02/06/10 Steve Hallum Health Update: I dropped by Corinthian Gardens late yesterday afternoon to check on Steve and caught him in the middle of therapy. The physical therapist invited me in so I sat with Steve while he was working out. We both agreed that all of us are in worse physical condition than we think until we start trying to work with weights. I related to him my own experience of buying 20 pound dumbbells for hand weights and having to go back and buy 5 pounders. We shared a laugh over that one. Steve was tired when I visited because he had been working for quite some time before I got there, but he says he's pushing himself because he wants to get better as soon as he can. Steve has a long road to recovery ahead of him, but he's a fighter and he'll keep fighting. If you want to visit, Steve is in room 118C at Corinthian Gardens in Bakersfield. If you want to send flowers or cards they should be directed to **Steve Hallum: C/O Corinthian Gardens, 1611 Height Street, Bakersfield, CA 93305**. From many years as a health administrator, I can tell you that when people have strokes, it's easy for them to get discouraged because they struggle so hard to regain what we all take for

granted. Cards and flowers remind them that other people are thinking about them and that they are not alone in their fight. Steve has a long road ahead of him to full recovery, but he is on his way. He can use all the prayers and positive thoughts you have to spare.

02/03/10 **Become A Facebook Fan of The Arvin High School Class of 1972:** For the past eight months we have been building our class page on **Facebook** and want you to drop by whenever you are there. It's '**Arvin High Class of 1972**' and we want you to become a fan so you can receive updates as soon as they post here on our website. Be sure to let other classmates and other AHS alums know about it because it's such a good way to stay connected.

If you haven't already joined **Facebook**, you should at least consider it. It's fun, it's free, and it's a great way to keep up with old classmates, their kids, and grandkids. Currently there are about 1,900 active Arvin High School alumni on Facebook and about 40 of those now are from our own class. The number creeps up a few each month. We have been adding a couple every two weeks and we need to pick up that pace. If you find you don't like Facebook after you try it, you can always disconnect... www.facebook.com