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**GREETINGS SIXTIES ERA DEEKS!** Here's an update for you on our upcoming reunion!

Well, **FIRST** and **FOREMOST**, our Sixties Reunion this summer is definitely a **"GO"** thanks to a great response so far from guys who plan to attend; 38 to date and truly expecting lots more. If you have not seriously considered joining our gathering you absolutely should. This exclusive sixties reunion will not happen again. **LAST CHANCE**. We want to see you, and you should come and see us! Blacksburg, Virginia Tech and the Dekes are standing tall and await your visit.

DKE is very healthy right now and only in minor 'trouble' from time to time (for doing things that are way tame in comparison to the sixties) and in a good growth mode. Since I moved here in 2009 they have year to year been a fine group of guys. Dinner and chapter meeting at our house once a semester. Eighteen new Brothers initiated last semester, twenty-five bids accepted this semester. Even with some attrition from this pledge group and counting spring graduations, they will come back next fall to an active membership of likely over seventy.

So, The Reunion! We have set the weekend of Friday July 20 - Sunday July 22 for our celebration. I have forty-five rooms blocked at The Inn at Virginia Tech (at the great rate of \$164.00 per night) as well as the Living Room at the attached Alumni Center for receptions and a ballroom at the Conference Center for Saturday Night's dinner. Quite sure more rooms will be open, just did not want to get on the hook for more than 45. Shooting for a registration fee of \$100-125.00 per person covering the Friday reception, brunch at the Deke House on Saturday and the reception and dinner Saturday night. Planning for some Saturday afternoon campus and athletics tours for those wanting to do that. More on that later.

To help stir you up, here are the guys who have said 'yes' so far, by graduation year, to the best of my ability to determine. We want **YOU** to add your name to this list!

1961: Bucky Shell, Ed Owens, Willy White, Vince Kohlbecker. 1962: Jim Day, Ralf Mast, Jay Smith, Jerry Ballengee, Warren Maccaroni. 1963: Jim Stone, George Baylor, Jim Turner, Bruce Hulcher, John Crawford. 1964: Ralph English, Mickey Hayes, Fred Whipple, Tom Rash, Bill Gibson. 1965: Bob Roop, Wyn Holbrook. 1967: Sands Woody, Dick Anderson, Chic Silver. 1968: Ben Robison, Jeff Bowman. 1969: Mike Aliff. 1970 Ron Vergakis, Denny O'Neill, Forrest Eudailey, Phil Harris. 1971 Michael Allen, Lee Barksdale, Daniel James, Jack Hutcheson, Will Webb. 1972: Dan Duvall. 1973: Hank Mattox.

I promise you, all these guys are hoping to see a lot more of their Brothers get on this list and come and share stories and refresh these very special bonds we all developed and cherish to this day. Somebody, can't remember who, told me he actually has a five dollar beer card he is gonna bring from the North Main Street days with some punches still left on it!

So, please everybody get on the band wagon: plan to come. You owe it to yourself and to your Brothers. We want to see you. We all are older and different, but we were Deeks, a very, very special and fortunate group back in those days. Don't you agree?

Stand by for full details and registration info late spring. If you now plan to come, and haven't told me already, please email me so that I can update the list and the lodging block: [mickeyhayes64@gmail.com](mailto:mickeyhayes64@gmail.com). Home phone is 540-808-0199. My best to you and with hopes to see you in July! Go Hokies!

