Class of '85,

Our registration is off to a strong start and I appreciate all of you that have signed up early and are attending all or most of our events. Also, your kind words of encouragement have been appreciated. We will be adding more merchandise options soon, so please keep signing up for the reunion and buying those items you like.

Some of you have emailed me about security warnings you are getting from your web browsers about the non-secure nature of our site. It is not secure, this is for a reason. I did not want to password protect our site since we do not store or give access to anyone's personal information or class data. It is like accessing a newspaper, it is READ ONLY and if we need you to register or reserve a hotel or buy something, we give you the link to enter that secure space. And when you do, you are back in the security wall of that vendor or provider.

To deal with 1000 classmates and 1000 user names and passwords and forgotten user names and passwords and real hackers... I would have to hire a full time IT department instead of a website manager who charges us \$500 a year to upkeep our content. An IT company would charge us \$10,000 a year and tank our budget. So, yes, ignore these warnings and press ahead to access the site and then go to register or buy stuff, etc. That is all secure.

The most important thing here is to PLEASE register as soon as you can to help me with numbers and projections and place my water bottle give away order by July 1st. I have asked your company reps to keep lists of who in your company is going, and they will have access to that information, so you can see it or they can publish a list to company members as to who is going.

Like I have said, and will keep on saying, this entire weekend is QUALITY events and by far, the most important reunion of our lifetime. We will not have one this large or this well attended again, the statistics from years and years of previous reunions tell me this. I wish we were 30 or 40 years old again, but we are not and life will happen down the road. I am pushing all the chips in on this hand folks, let's make this a winning hand!! So, get out, register and make your plans.

Once again, here is the Class website that is the focal point of all reunion access and information. If you have questions, please reach out to me: email is <u>usnaclassof85@gmail.com</u> or my cell at: 502-432-6185. Stay in touch with your company reps, if you don't know who yours is, contact me. I am having contests for my reps who get the best attendance for the reunion. Here is the Class of '85 website:

## http://1985.usnaclasses.net/

See you all in September and GO NAVY!! Bob Smith '85

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