

Hello again '85,

Do you miss me yet? I am still digging out of the aftermath of the reunion in terms of getting the bills all paid, reviews and thank you notes written and getting ready for a great day of football today and hoping Navy goes to 4-0 after they teach Rice a lesson today. After all the dust settles on paying the bills, I will send out a full accounting of the reunion and where we stand for funding the Class for the next 5 years and beyond. Some of you made refund requests after the very late date I set for allowing any refunds at all, I have addressed these partial refunds with you as we close out all the pending cases in the next few days. We try and make our football tailgating a revenue neutral venture, but are willing to use Class funds to keep our tailgate experience, our tent and our equipment top notch. I am going to subsidize this December's Army/Navy Tailgate and will continue to encourage and support away game tailgates going forward as you will see.

I have some left over water bottles because I had to estimate a number mid June for that vendor who produced those for us, see the attached pictures. I am offering to anyone who might want another bottle or two after the reunion, OR, for those who could not make the reunion, these water bottles are a great way to still enjoy the experience. I will offer to send you two water bottles and Rick Campbell's new book, Final Stand, for \$60 total. The bottles cost me exactly \$20 each and I assume I can get it shipped to you for \$20. If you are interested, let me know and we can get that done. (please email me at: usnaclassof85@gmail.com to set this up), I can accept various forms of payment to make that easy).

I posted the reunion photo link on the Class website, but here it is in case you missed my last email:

<https://theannapolisphotographer.shootproof.com/gallery/1985/>

There are some AWESOME pictures at this link, check it out. I will also set up a site where we can all drop our photos and share them, so stay tuned.

I am going to ask the Class to help me rally around one of our Classmates who has been having some health challenges and could not make our reunion due to restrictions from his treatment. Jessie Clifton, daughter of 29th Company's John Clifton, reached out to me and asked if I could pass along to the Class that John could use some encouragement and just some classmates to reach out and say hello as he battles back to attend our next Class of '85 event. Here is how to do this according to Jessie Clifton:

"His personal email is cliftona1a@gmail.com and his cell phone number is 781-929-4182."

I am going to guess this all I need to say here, we wish John well and I know he would love to catch up with any classmates who take the time to reach out. Thanks!

Let's talk merchandise, some of our reunion vendors have kept their stores open for a very limited time after the reunion, if you want a Class of '85 of Axia watch, the Engraved Glassware or one of the Class Flasks, or some great Class of '85 customizable apparel, you need to get on the Class website ASAP (use the merchandise drop down) and get your orders placed or you will miss out until the next reunion cycle. If you want one of the Duffel bags, also reach out ASAP as I will be putting in a post reunion order by Mid-October. Visit the website for info on this stuff: <http://1985.usnaclass.net/>

I will soon be putting out a flyer and sign up for the Friday night party at a bar in downtown Baltimore and the Saturday pre-game tailgate for Army/Navy Weekend, so when I do, get on that right away. In the meantime, I would LOVE to hear from classmates who plan on attending that weekend so I can get a rough idea of the anticipated turnout. DO NOT go to the Alumni Association tailgate for Army/Navy, our tailgate will be 100X better I promise you and only \$40.85pp for 3 hours of great food and beer/cider/seltzer/sodas, all hand crafted by Wico Street Beer Company.

This is all for now, I will have more news to pass along soon, so don't unsubscribe quite yet or you will miss you on some exciting happenings. As always, bookmark our website and reach out to me if you need anything or have questions or want to order the reunion water bottle package. Go Navy, BEAT RICE!!

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