

# Knights Drum & Bugle Corps

## 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion 1966 - 2006

*A Celebration and Reflection of Our Time Together  
In the World's Greatest Youth Activity*

**Code name:** "The Big One"

**Goal:** 500 in Attendance

**Date:** July 2, 2006

**Location:** Holiday Inn, 6902 - 27<sup>th</sup> St, Moline, Illinois 61265 (near the airport)  
309-762-8811 (Group Rate \$79.95/night, under "Knights Reunion")

**Schedule:** *Open House Era Displays* 1 – 4 pm

*Cocktails/ Social Hour* 6 pm

*Banquet* 7:30 pm

*Banquet Emcee* – Dan Potter, Knights drum major & DCI show announcer

*Featured Speakers* include Roman Blenski, Pioneers Director & DCM Director

*Audio Visual Production* by Steve Scherer & John VanDeWoestyne

The reunion committee is working hard planning and organizing the event. As this will be the largest, and perhaps final, reunion we sincerely hope you plan to be among the attendees.

The reunion is Fourth of July weekend in 2006, with the main event on Sunday July 2 at the Holiday Inn in Moline. There may be some smaller events on Saturday July 1, but that option is still being discussed.

The banquet facility is reserved for all day and evening on Sunday and we have set aside a block of 100 guest rooms. In the afternoon the large ballroom will be split into three sections, one each for the Kewanee, Geneseo and Quad City years. Each section will have memorabilia displays (*see attached sheet\**) pertinent to those eras. Alumni can spend all their time in one section or move freely through all three. Around 4 pm the era sections will close down so hotel staff can prepare for the evening banquet. Festivities will resume in the lobby/atria area for cocktails at 6 pm. The highlight of the day will be the banquet starting at 7:30. The finale will be an audio/visual presentation produced by Steve Scherer and John VanDeWoestyne. The audio visual program will be similar to their old awards banquet slide shows except utilizing modern digital technology.

Please fill out the attached sheet and return as soon as possible but no later than June 10, 2006.

### Knights Reunion Committee

Christine Ashcraft   Eric Ashcraft   Rhonda (Pearson) Gainey   Angela (Rocycki) Howard  
Brian Irons   Julie (Morris) Irons   Kathy (Scherer) Kinyon   Gregg Neuleib  
Kathy (Murray) Poehner   Jane (Neuleib) Scherer   Steve Scherer   Jackie (Favre) Skiles  
Mike Skiles   John VanDeWoestyne   Tim Wells

**PLEASE talk to the corps friends you are still in contact with.** Much of our database is old. If they did not receive this mailing, contact any committee member listed below ASAP with the name and current address and email. This mailing is being sent to +/- 600 people, which means there are at least several hundred if not 1000 alumni who are not receiving it. It is imperative that we contact as many Knights as possible, from all eras. We can only do it with your help and a *network*. SPREAD THE WORD and ask people to contact us via email, phone or address as listed on this page

**This is the only mailing you will receive.** Visit the corps website, [Knightscorps.org](http://Knightscorps.org) often for updates and info regarding the reunion. If you haven't already done so, please add your info to the *Reunion Form* on the 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion page and *Email List* accessed from the home page.

**All the following should be addressed as soon as possible but no later than JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>.**

Lodging arrangements should be made directly with the Moline Holiday Inn 309-762-8811. Ask for the group rate under Knights Reunion. If those rooms are taken and you need assistance finding other lodging in the area, please contact a committee member.

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Banquet cost for adults is \$45 per person with children's prices as noted on the form. Checks should be made out to Knights 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion and sent with the Registration Form below to the Knights Reunion Committee c/o Mike & Jackie Skiles, 221 Hart Dr, Geneseo, IL 61254. *Even if you are not completely sure you can attend, please don't hesitate to send registration and payment today. We will send a full refund provided you contact us with any cancellations no later than June 10<sup>th</sup>.*

\*We need to gather a lot of memorabilia for the Era Displays. Please look in your closets and trophy cases for items we can *borrow*, T-shirts, show programs, instruments, flags, pieces of uniforms, logos, knight "stuff", anything you can think of. If you have good videotape of the Knight's show any particular year, we're very interested in knowing that also.

Also, if you have or can make a nametag size photo of yourself during the era you marched (not a recent photo); please send it along with your registration.

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Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

I marched with the Knights from 19 \_\_\_\_ to 19 \_\_\_\_ Section/Instrument \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults attending @ \$45 \_\_\_\_\_ #Children (age 11-18) @ \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ # Children (10 & under) @ \$12 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I have memorabilia that may be displayed at the reunion. Contact me by \_\_\_\_\_ phone \_\_\_\_\_ email

Memorabilia includes \_\_\_\_\_