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Dear Walt & Reunion Committee,

Each one of you is to be thanked for the generosity of your time and considerable effort this past year which did result in an excellent 50th Year Reunion for all of us who were able to attend.

You certainly provided a variety of events that would allow us to renew relationships and have quality time for conversation and stories. I enjoyed my choices of the River Cruise & Dinner, the Walking Tour of Alexandria, the Reunion Dinner, and Sunday Mass and Brunch at Carroll. I also enjoyed my stay at Hotel Monaco and the opportunity to visit with several classmates, and Saturday lunch with my brother who was in town that weekend. I arrived home late Monday afternoon with gratitude that I was able to be present from 'start to finish'. Your choice of *Old Town Alexandria* was excellent!

I was impressed that you kept things simple, low-key, an absence of any anxiety, and focused on renewing of relationships. Yet, everything was first-class! This Reunion would be hard to duplicate by any Carroll High class. We have set a very high standard.

I did make a generous budget for the weekend knowing things would be more expensive there than in Rogersville. I am sending the Committee the remainder of my budget to help you cover any 'short-falls' in Reunion expenses. Thanks, also, for keeping the Reunion web site open until the dust settles. (Regret you forgot your passport – I knew I should have brought my kayak so you could catch up with the Cruise Ship!).

With my gratitude and appreciation for a fine job, I am

Mike Jennings Rogersville, TN