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Greetings Edward,

Happy July 4th Holiday.

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ONLY FOUR WEEKS UNTIL ANNUAL PICNIC
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It's only four weeks until our tenth annual picnic on Thursday, August 1, 2024.

Here are the 2024 updated picnic links.

<http://www.mplsvocational.com/about/all-alumni-annual-picnic/next-alumni-picnic.html>

http://www.mplsvocational.com/files/picnic_flyer.pdf

<http://www.mplsvocational.com/registration.html> (USE this link to register for the picnic).

<http://www.mplsvocational.com/FAQ.html>

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2024 PICNIC CHANGES
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1. Joe Rath (74), our picnic committee's co-chair, will be the DJ and supervisor of the picnic and has come up with a new layout for the Picnic area.
2. All audio speakers will be at one end (left-facing the entrance), and the other (right-facing the entrance) will be quiet zone.
3. The shelter's graphic layout has been updated, and at <http://www.mplsvocational.com/about/all-alumni-annual-picnic/picnic-table-layout.html>
4. Photos will return to the back of the shelter as they have for most of the previous ten years. We always had good pictures at that location.
5. The next picture class will assemble to the left of the shelter area behind the DJ Music counter.
6. The traffic flow graphic illustration has also been updated at <http://www.mplsvocational.com/about/all-alumni-annual-picnic/picnic-traffic-flow.html>
7. The Purple Jacket Award will begin this year.
8. We will continue taking pictures from the oldest class first.
9. The food tables will have lines on both sides of the table, with the oldest classmates eating first.

10. After photos, alums will join the food line forming at the back of the shelter near the food tables.

Our committee has optimized the internal shelter layout and traffic flow for pictures and meals. However, suggestions to improve our annual all-alum picnic are always welcome.

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** YOUR RESERVATION HELPS **
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On this tenth picnic anniversary, adding your name to the REGISTRATION LIST will help our picnic committee by letting us know you plan to attend. I will be printing a name tag for you using your REGISTRATION information. I have already updated our website and REGISTRATION FORM. Having Vocational alums register for the annual picnic event will speed up our sign-in process. Registered alums and guests will have preprinted name tags and bypass the regular sign-in line.

Remember, we need a list of attendees to the picnic for safety purposes. If you cannot REGISTER online for the event, contact Kathy at 952-818-0677 or Bonnie at 952-432-3947. They will enter your registration information into the RESERVATION database or contact me with your name and class information.

The Picnic Registration form only has four fields: class year, first name, last name, and the number of attendees. No personal information, like phone numbers, emails, addresses, etc., is collected. Thank you for registering to attend the picnic on behalf of the entire picnic committee. However, if you still need to register, do not let that stop you from attending the picnic and meeting alum friends from your class or other classes. However, if you didn't get registered, do not let that stop you from attending the picnic and meeting alum friends from your class or other classes.

The PICNIC REGISTRATION FORM allows us to print name tags before the picnic and get a better alum count to prepare for the picnic. Therefore, to print a name tag, the form requires one name at a time to be entered. Enter one name and the number attending as one (1), then submit the registration. It will return a success page with a red button to return to the registration form to add additional names. You can use this cycle until you enter all the names of the people coming with you. You will use the form twice for an alum and their spouse. Instructions are also listed on the registration form.

PLEASE REGISTER ASAP if you are planning to attend. THANK YOU!

HERE IS THE PICNIC REGISTRATION LINK - <http://www.mpls vocational.com/registration.html>

If you have registered and find you cannot attend the picnic, don't worry. Stuff happens in life, and the Picnic Committee understands.

OUR MEMORIES FROM 50 TO 70 YEARS AND COUNTING!

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74 CLASS 50th REUNION
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A 50th class reunion for 1974 is planned. Details are on the Vocational 74-75-76 Facebook page.

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69 CLASS 55th REUNION
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It's another time to renew old friendships and make new ones for the class of 1969. Les Huie is the class database administrator at our all-alum website. Les recently announced on our website, "Events Forum," that the Class of 1969 will hold a 55th Reunion on August 24, 2024. If you are in the class of 1969, Les asks that you join the Facebook Group "Votech69" to stay informed. Please spread the word to classmates.

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64 CLASS 60th REUNION
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After our 50th, the class of 64 established the annual picnic. This year would be our 60th. I hope to see more alums from 64 show up this year.

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59 CLASS 65th REUNION
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The class of 59 has always had a strong showing at the annual picnic. For those who can make it, this will be the 65th.

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54 CLASS 70th REUNION
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The class of 54 has always had a strong showing at the annual picnic. For those who can make it, this will be the 70th.

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CARRIE LYNN ORR
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Finally, I'm sad to report the passing of one of our picnic volunteers, Carrie Lynn Orr. Carrie was our decorating specialist, and if you enjoyed last year's picnic decorations, her creativity and volunteer help made those possible. She will be missed on our picnic committee and by those alum friends and family who knew and loved her. Our prayers are with her family and friends. A celebration of life will be held on July 19.

Carrie Lynn Orr
January 26, 1958 — June 25, 2024
Coon Rapids

Carrie Lynn Orr, age 66, of Coon Rapids, passed away on June 25, 2024, surrounded by the love of her family.

Her father, John, and her sister, Betsy, preceded her in death. She is survived by her Mother, Marlys, brothers John Jr. Louis (Rhonda), nephew Riley, and nieces Jennifer, Katie, and Abbie. She is also survived by her many special friends and family members whose lives she touched, as well as her beloved fur babies, Johnnie and Jolie.

Carrie graduated from Minneapolis Vocational High School in 1976. After graduation, she began her long career in communications. Her dedication was held during the changes from Bell Systems to Qwest, and she finally retired after over 40+ years.

Carrie was a huge supporter of the Animal Humane Society and loved caring for and nurturing all needy animals. Carrie will be remembered for her creativity, love for rescuing animals, and the kindness she shared with everyone blessed to know her.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, July 19, 2024, at noon. Friends and family will gather at Miller Funeral Home at 6210 Hwy 65 NE, Fridley, MN 55432, to share stories and fellowship in honor of Carrie.

May God Bless your continued health,

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