

What could we do to make your reunion experience better?

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Nothing. (71)

2 food lines at Reception

A more centralized gathering location with more bars for folk to hang. All the pools in a common area.

A place that isn't spread out so as a group we can be in one area

Always have an awesome pool and hot weather.

Anything! This venue was a disgrace - bad food, bad wi-fi, no central place to meet everyone, whoever negotiated the drink prices should have done a better job. Discounts for food were ignored. Bad service.

Better crowd control. I actually think the Pointe Hilton people should have warned about the horrible backlog for drinks and food at the Welcome reception. But the next organizers really need to pay attention to this kind of detail.

Better gathering place or room

Better hotel with more of a main place to congregate.

Better onsite communication on raffle. Work to better connect new people on site. Better class coordination. But great overall!

cheaper and more knowledgeable activities

choose property that is less spread out - there was no central gathering place where people could congregate to meet. Everyone was too spread out.

Don't do auction or raffles during the dinner/dance.

don't know if the app has this, but a way to text other attendees through the app and send group texts for meet ups or meetup announcement for classes.

Excellent overall. Auction at the gala is really time consuming. Figure a way to do it and all the announcements quicker or perhaps when people are eating.

Excellent venue. Kudos to the reunion committee and ABI.

Find a hotel that is not as spread out as that one was.

Find a property with a central gathering location and one where it is easy to find one's room! Very confusing property. Lovely, though!

find cheaper venue w/better drink price

Find one with a central gathering place, less spread out. And with more food options.

Fri Reception -better food, access/long slow line

Friday night reception was terrible - the location too small, the food was awful, and the class photo sessions were a joke. Maybe coordinating with the hotel before to figure out the best location for this event next time would be a good idea.

Friday night reception was very poor. Needed some decent food and enough food and drink stations to accommodate the size of the crowd. Sunday night drink prices were very high. Overall a great reunion.

Great arrangement! But maybe add a tennis tournament for fun?

Ground committee to check out the city and resort beforehand

Have an At Large Senior Rep to make sure the next hotel complies with the ADA, for one thing. Ask about the capacity that is legal in a restaurant where you are planning on all Brats to attend. Pay attention to the menus-- and make sure there is enough food

hotel needed a central meeting area...we were so spread out that it was hard to see people...

How about assigning class tables based on registration, and leaving about a dozen tables unassigned for families/others who don't want to sit with their class? This property was too spread out. Thank you for all your hard work!

I didn't know about the app, or I would have used it!

I like having it at resorts, and in desert climates...keep it out west.

I prefer the resorts that only have 1 large pool - with so many pools at this resort, everyone was separated from each other.

I think we can do away with the group photo at the welcome reception.

I would have liked to have better food at the welcome home reception and the banquet. Everything was awesome tho! Thank you

I would've liked a venue that was not so spread out. One pool os nice because everyone congregates there. Other than that, nothing!

If you want class pictures pay attention to the time.

In Memoriam

It's not a complaint about the organizers. Just a comment on the prevalence of alcohol and drugs. I was saddened to see so many fellow brats getting completely drunk and high even during the day. We won't be attending another reunion.

Keep it at a resort hotel. The Friday reception needed to be in a larger area - too crowded with one line for food.

Keep the reunions in Arizona, absolutely the best State for everyone I spoke to, even the Texans were happy! Well done!

less spread out, restaurants in the facility, better room service, ada compliant

Less walking. The resort was very spread out and it made it difficult to meet up with people spontaneously

Let's figure out a way for older and younger Brats to connect, we all have stories to share, but maybe something more structured would help people feel more comfortable. From Facebook page, it looks like this is something people want, just don't know how

Make the name tags symmetrical front and back, so when they flip over (as they always do) they are still readable.

Meeting spot

more organized for the quantity of people attending

More updated resort and common area i.e. Cocktail welcome v

Move it back to the El Conquistador in Tucson!

Need a better gathering place. Fort Lauderdale's was exceptional, but the hotel sucked. PHX was too disjointed.

Need a central hangout place for 24/7 where all can meet and has a bar.

Need a property with more singular community presence. With people so spread out and having the multiple pools it was harder to hookup with classmates and others. It was also more difficult a site to locate other Brat rooms and party rooms locations. More.

Need event leader to step up and take charge. Class pictures is a good example.

no cash bar at banquet & music too loud during dinner to visit with friends

no so spread out

organize my class better - not you, rather a task for me

Other activities besides bowling and golf.

PA system at Sunday dinner...could not hear Hirath at all. Placing speakers higher would be less bothersome if you sit too close.

Pick better resorts.

Please house brats according to quiet or loud areas. We had to call the hotel security every night because of casita parties after 11 pm

Please see separate email.

Poor acoustics, poor food at hotel except for banquet which was excellent

property was very spread out, made it difficult to visit with Brats who went to different pools

Reception area wasn't large enough for 400-500 people. The food was terrible & most people went out to eat after the group photo. The photo was taken at dusk & nearly dark. Little details were missing from this reunion. did you negotiate cocktail prices?

Reception was a tight space with weak food

Review class presidents to ensure either they attend or they designate someone in their absence to organize the class dinner. I'm also not certain

that the class representative should be someone who has never attended a reunion.

Saturday night banquet instead of Sunday

Smaller hotel and more direction within the hotel

Split it in 2. It was too large.

split reunion into the older crowd and one for the younger brats

Sunday banquet didn't reserve dining tables by class. Disappointing to sit with a bunch of strangers at the reunion.

Thank the reunion committee, and name them, at the banquet. No music, please during banquet dinner (couldn't hear people even at my own table)

The Friday welcome reception is the only disappointment. It's difficult to corral a large, rowdy group like that, as well as find a good venue for what is essentially a huge cocktail party.

The hotel was too spread out making it difficult to meet people.

The resort was simply too spread out, and there wasn't any common meeting area.

the resort was so big, it was hard to connect. Thanks for the fantastic weather!

The sound system at the Sunday banquet was too soft, unintelligible. Seating by class would be nice. The facilities and cost were excellent.

Hmm, you had an app? That's news to me! The class pictures needs to be scheduled by class with a posted location.

The venue is so important; need large, open, accessible areas for gathering. The Reception area was too small for the amount of people attending; couldn't access the food or the bar.

The venue was a little too spread out even though the property was beautiful. Also, a little more effort on a professional photographer would be nice. For those who say the reception venue was too small, it wasn't, we simply did not use all the space tow

The venue was too spread out. The Friday reception area was way too small and poorly staffed.

Venue too small for Friday and all locations under-staffed.

Venue with main meeting space (like Houston hotel lobby), where all can meet up

Was a little spread out but generally liked where we are. AZ is a good location in general.

We didn't realize we were to host class dinners since this was our first reunion. We would have made better plans for this. Also, check-in was very slow. Loved the suq! Loved the resort! Thank you so much!!

We needed a central gathering area and lower the music volume during the banquet otherwise the reunion was great

We seemed spread out too far so lots of smaller groups that

Will email ideas