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Mai Pen Rai @ the Oasis 2020

July 10-12, 2020
Tucson, Arizona



Time to make plans to join your friends and ISB family at the 2020 ISB Network Reunion!

El Conquistador Tucson, A Hilton Resort in Oro Valley, Arizona

(<https://www.hiltonelconquistador.com/>)

Reunion dates: July 10-12, 2020

The registration process is two-fold so mark your calendar! Hotel reservations will begin July 17, 2019, directly with the hotel. Reunion registration will begin August 1, 2019 and can be made online once details are posted on our website. Early bird registration will be \$180/members and \$190/nonmembers. (So...now is the time to join ISBN to take advantage of one of the perks of being a member).

Hotel Reservations: (855) 680-3239

Mention Room Block: "ISB Network Reunion"

Room Reservations Rates: \$115—this is the same rate for single, double, triple or quad.

Reunion hotel discount/block good from July 7 - 13, 2020.

Details can be found at <https://isbnetwork.com/reunions/upcoming-reunion/reunion-faq/> and will be updated as we work out the details of this fantastic event!

See you in Tucson!

Q & E from Reunionees!

Quick and Easy answers from several ISB alum willing to share their tidbits about ISBN reunions

Where was your first ISBN reunion and how many have you attended?

What was your favorite reunion venue?

What was your biggest “wow” moment at a reunion?

Who did you meet (or meet again) at a reunion that blew your socks off?

What friend are you going to encourage to attend the 2020 reunion?

Vince Bennett '67

First and how many?

Phoenix 2002. Seven

Favorite venue?

Omni Interlocken, Broomfield, CO

The big “wow”?

VA Beach: Standing ovation given to Mr. Phil Reeves honoring him for his contribution as a science teacher.

Blew my socks off

Bob March.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Class of 1967



makers so I guess it's my favorite however every reunion is as meaningful

Blew my socks off

Lora Yount, Debbie Twing, Tim Shaunassey, Jed Davis, Jolli Sidon, and so many more

David Wilkerson '71

First and how many?

Boston 1988; I have attended 13 reunions to date

Favorite venue?

Daytona and San Jose

The big “wow”?

When I honored Betty Yugala at the 2000 Williamsburg reunion

Blew my socks off

Becky Byers and Chris Lundh

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

George Couston and Sarah Noss



Susan Cerrone, '67

First and how many?

First one was San Antonio, I think, but have only been able to attend six.

Favorite venue?

Daytona Beach was a favorite because I saw so many good friends and my sister was there with me.

The big “wow”?

Wow moment...the Mike MacArthur band that played at the dance in San Antonio.

Blew my socks off

Seeing Frank Gigliotti, Vennette and Suzanne Roberts, Debbie McCarthy and Bill Clarke in Orlando, because of the evacuation from St. Pete during the hurricane in 2004.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Maybe my sister Cindy Cerrone Kohatsu '69.



Tony Rickard '71

First and how many?

Denver in 1981 about 60 or so showed up – this was like a 10 year reunion but had others from different classes.

Favorite venue?

Denver – new, fresh, and most of us hadn't changed either physically or personality wise.

The big “wow”?

Probably San Antonio, I believe in 2002; then San Diego reunion when a lot of the friends were showing pictures of their grandkids– of course not having any I thought OMG stop – until I had my first, now I totally understood!!!!

Blew my socks off

2002 San Antonio - A few friend which was always great to see them, visit, etc, but Shelly Gollings.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Let's see Vera and Rosie Lorenz, Hobbs, best friend Nestor, Steve Parker, Carol Maynard, lord the names and faces are harder to remember – Miss Daly, Nobbs, Lewis



Adelia (Dee) Medlin '70

First and how many?

My first ISB reunion was a mini reunion in Washington DC.....1993. My first big time reunion was in St Petersburg, Florida in 1994. I have attended every reunion except two since then

Favorite venue?

Those first large reunions are memory



Q & E from Reunionees!

Sidney Gerson '72

First and how many?

The 1986 San Diego reunion was my first, since then I have attended 15, only missing the 2006 San Antonio reunion

Favorite venue?

I have liked all the venues! Not sure which one was my favorite but the Phoenix venue was amazing.

The big "wow"?

The Saturday lunch party at the Lone Star Brewery in San Antonio was pretty awesome!

Blew my socks off

At my first reunion I was blown away to see Sybil Solis and Claudia Waidelich in the pool!

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Any friend I know that went to ISB!



lot of time together in Bangkok. I drug him around to everyone in our class to reconnect with. And, since then, has gotten to reconnect with Devin Brougham, his best friend in Bangkok.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Renee Runyon Henley (Besties w Kathy Boslet & I)

Joyce Raeth '73

First and how many?

1st Reunion - 2002 in Bangkok, Thailand. Had a Fantastic Trip!

Favorite venue?

Virginia Beach. The ocean, and shopping, including ice cream cones!

The big "wow"?

All my best friends, formal dinner, dancing and entertainment all in one weekend, and Thai dancing!! Wow!! :0

Blew my socks off

Saw Mr. Reeves - Science Teacher, and Also Ambassador Unger in Bangkok!

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

My Family, My 4 Best Friends and anyone else I can STILL remember!



Susan Frances Molthen '72

First and how many?

San Antonio, TX. I've attended two more since then.

Favorite venue?

All of them.

The big "wow"?

That I actually had a family in my reunion friends.

Blew my socks off

Everyone.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Larry McCabe, Troy Holbrook, Terry Loftus



Marti Ewing '73

First and how many?

I think Dallas was my first, but not sure. I've attended all but one since then.

Favorite venue?

I'd have to say I have two:

A) Daytona because of great connectivity thru the hospitality suites being together. B) Virginia Beach because so many came.

The big "wow"?

One of our Florida reunions I met a woman named Carol whose family lived in our house before we did. They even had the same Thai family as housekeepers, etc.

Blew my socks off

Steve McCutcheon '73 came for the first time to Daytona. Our fathers worked together and our families spent a



Jane Reed Wilson '74

First and how many?

2016 Daytona Beach and 2018 Nashville reunions.

Favorite venue?

I liked Nashville the best, as there was so much to do when you weren't busy with reunion activities.

The big "wow"?

That ecstatic feeling of my heart jumping out of my chest on seeing someone again for the first time in 42 years (multiplied many times)

Blew my socks off

Rao Vederumundi was at the University of Kansas the whole time I was and at one point lived in the dorm across the street from mine!

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

I'm hoping many people from my era (early to mid-70s) can come



Q & E from Reunionees!

Cindy Hunt Leach '80

First and how many?

Long Beach, CA in 1996. 8 total.

Favorite venue?

Virginia Beach

The big "wow"?

Hurricane Charley in St. Petes / Tampa, 2004 – being stuck at the hotel with nowhere to go was a bonding experience that I will never forget.

Blew my socks off

Tony Ivanov – good times every time!

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Several from the class of 80-83 that were at ISB during 1974-1976



Wet from Hurricane Charley—Helen and Cindy

Helen Tinson DuTeau '85

First and how many?

Long Beach. I think I've been to all of them since then except for one.

Favorite venue?

All of them!

The big "wow"?

Just being together and feeling a connection that only we can. Powerful.

Blew my socks off

I love it when teachers and parents of my friends show up! But after many years I was thrilled to see Karen, Shay and Tony D.!!

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

All of you who have yet to attend...please come!

Bruce Williamson '84

First and how many?

Virginia Beach (been to 4 total and 2 - 4 minis)

Favorite venue?

Daytona...if the Crescent doesn't come back I vote for Daytona as our permanent East Coast spot (the Crescent was demolished after we were there...I blame Ben).

The big "wow"?

When a "first timer" joins us and you can see that they found their family again. It's emotional every time. Every single person that I haven't seen in so long but in Nashville seeing Charles Thomas, his wife, and his sister, floored me. Craig was awesome as well.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Cynthia Gearin and her sister Betsy, and so many others that have never attended.



Michael Bridges '85

First and how many?

Virginia Beach

Favorite venue?

Virginia Beach (Daytona was a close second)

The big "wow"?

Just how great it is to catch up with everyone and to see how naturally we all connect

Blew my socks off

So, I keep typing names. Too many good people.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

I almost was very generic, Alice Johns, Manny Malbari



Phil "PG" Kraemer '84

First and how many?

Daytona 2016 and have attended 2

Favorite venue?

So far Daytona

The big "wow"?

How you can pick up relationships like it was yesterday.

Blew my socks off

The Williamson Brothers, Shay Chamberlain, Chip Champion, Ben Sutton, Jeff Quennell and Joe Sigda

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

Cindy and Betsy Gearin



Susan Rivers Benoit '85

First and how many?

Virginia Beach was the first and I have attended 4.

Favorite venue?

I loved Virginia Beach but it may be because it was my first and I was in awe!

The big "wow"?

How quickly you can reconnect to people you have not seen in 25 years!

Blew my socks off

Bruce and Dale Williamson as they were the first people we met when we moved to Thailand and they are still as wonderful as I remember.

Who should attend the 2020 reunion?

All of them!



Alumni Achievement Award Recipient

Every year the ISB Network Alumni Association recognizes an ISB Senior with our Alumni Achievement Award. Recipients are a deserving ISB student of Thai ancestry who is chosen by a committee of ISB Faculty. The Award recipient donates the scholarship proceeds to his/her choice of several ISB-approved Thai charities.

Our recipient this year, **Poon Singhatiraj** chose to donate his funds to: \$300 to Street Boys \$500 to Baan Rachawadee \$700 to Operation Smile

Poon is the third member of his family to graduate from ISB. In the fall he plans to attend Northeastern University in Boston, majoring in International



Relations
While at ISB he loved to read up on, and stay up to date with, current events in world affairs and enjoyed Model United Nations. Other interests doing include photography, badminton, and hanging out with friends.

Remembering Friends

Neal Waidelich '71
6/14/19

Jim Howard '73
6/2/2019

Mr. Gene Nelson ~ Faculty
5/30/2019

Jon Cole '68
5/26/2019

Dick Clarke '68
5/14/2019

Elisabeth Inannelli ~ Faculty
4/29/2019

John Fluker '68
3/26/2019

Tim Lockhart '75
3/17/2019

Crister Garrett '80
3/6/2019

Judi Molthen Nelson '67
2/22/2019

Bill Corpron '70
2/10/2019

Maria "Izzy" Almazan Steele '04
2/2/2019

Bob March '67
11/11/2018

Dave DeButts '67
7/18/2018

Kenny Warren '67
7/17/2018

Juni Doyle Gamard '76
10/15/2018

www.isbeings.org

A Memorial site for faculty, students and staff who worked or attended the International School of Bangkok Thailand

ISB Network Foundation, Inc.

15122 Seneca Trail South
Lindside, WV 24951

The ISBNetwork Foundation, Inc. is a not-for-profit, 501-C-3 organization, dedicated to bringing Alumni of International School Bangkok together to support, maintain, and create contacts between people who shared similar experiences in Thailand. We serve as the Official Alumni Association for International School Bangkok.

Dues & Benefits: Membership fees are \$40 for 2 years and are tax deductible. Our goal is to provide you with three newsletters per year and access to contact information of all known ISB Alumni. You do not have to be a member to be listed on the website/directory or to attend a reunion. Your paid membership helps support the activities performed by the all-volunteer Board of Directors, responsible for maintaining the database, publishing the newsletters, maintaining presence on the web, and planning the biennial reunions.

Join online at
www.isbnetwork.com
and click on
"Become A Member".





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Be True to Your School !

Help shape the future of the ISB Network! Apply for a position on the Board of Directors today or become a Class Representative!

We have several available, including a few officer positions and a few at-large positions. We are looking for enthusiastic school-spirited alumni, especially from the 1980's, 1990's and more recent years, to help define policies and programs that reflect the changing composition of ISB Network members and their experiences, passions activities and concerns. **Several board positions are doubled at the moment. We hope to talk to candidates interested in ANY of the board positions. We are keen to recruit younger alumni to fill positions so as to help guide the ISBN into the future.** Send an email to the president@isbnetwork.com to express your interest in serving on the Board of Directors and for more information on positions and their job descriptions.

President

Shall be the chief executive officer of the corporation and shall, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, supervise and control the affairs of the corporation and the activities of the officers. He or she shall perform all duties incident to his or her office and such other duties as may be required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or by the Bylaws, or which may be prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Directors At Large (2 openings)

The director-at-large is elected by the ISB Network Board and serves as a general representative of the full membership. The duties of the director-at-large shall be flexible and shall address specific needs identified by the board of directors. Ideas may include

- providing support for ongoing initiatives of the board; Writing articles for the Newsletter; Serving on special projects to support membership development; and providing pre-event and on-site support for local events and Network Reunions.

Development / Fund Raising Director

Primary responsibility is to raise funds to support the ISBN Cares Scholarship(s) Program. Other duties include

- working with ISB for the selection process and presentation of the scholarship(s); Sharing news about recipients via newsletter and website about recipients; Fundraising drives, raffle(s) at reunions; Recommendations for other scholarships

Thailand Director / Ambassador to ISB

If you either live in Thailand or travel to Thailand extensively, you can serve as a direct link between the ISB Staff, Faculty, and Student Body and the ISB Network. Duties may include:

- serves as the primary point of contact for the ISB Network BOD and ISB; Maintains a close working relationship with the ISB Director of Alumni affairs and ISB staff; Keeps the ISBN BOD informed of ongoing activities at ISB that the Network might want to participate in or contribute to in order to encourage knowledge of and membership in the Network.

Class Reps

Your Class Rep serves as your liaison to the ISB Network. Class Reps are responsible for keeping you updated on ISB Network news and information, and encouraging you to attend the ISB Network Reunion! Class Reps also support the ISB Network by volunteering to help the Board of Directors and contributing to the ISB Network newsletter. For more information or if you would like to become a Class Rep, Becky Byers Quirsfeld, director.outreach@isbnetwork.com

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Fundraising coordination with ISB

Directors At Large

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JoAnna Ewing, 1969



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