Reunions

Dover Class of 1950

With "diamond" as the theme, blue and white the colors, the Dover High Class of 1950 celebrated its 60th anniversary class reunion the weekend of July 16-18.

Friday night in J.I.M.'s Place at New Philadelphia, 60 classmates and their guests gathered from Ohio, Florida, Colorado, Idaho, Michigan, Virginia, North Carolina, and Minnesota. After the catered meal, the Entertainment Committee, led by Mary Lee Varadi Monte of New Philadelphia, turned the place into WDHS 1950 A.M. Radio Station.

Announcer John Cameron Swayze (Vic Strimbu of Avon Lake, class vice president) welcomed everyone and started the evening off with newscasters Chet Huntley (Tom Case of Nokomis, Fla.) and David Brinkley (Glen Groh of Dover). Class tidbits, jokes, news items and commercials, taken from of the school's newspaper, the Crimsonion, brought back memories.

At the end of the 1946-47 school year, Jewel Lohrman Horn of Florida sang "Wind Beneath My Wings" and Joanne Moser Van Alstyne of Dover and Monte narrated "Who's on First." At the end of 1947-48 year, Case performed as Carnac from the Johnny Carson Show and Monte performed and received a



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Dover High Class of 1950 members Tom Case (L) of Florida, Vic Strimbu of Avon Lake, Mary Lee Monte of New Philadelphia, and Glen Groh and Bob France of Dover had their photo taken at Union Country Club in Dover.

standing ovation for a hilarious rendition of Patsy Cline's song, "She's Got You."

At the end of 1948-49, Eugene Huprich of Dover with his Hawaiian steel guitar and two guests, Glen and Becky Sexton of Strasburg, played for dancing. Donning grass skirts, Ted Giannobile of Minnesota, Tom Walters of Florida, Groh and Bob France of Dover, danced the hula. At the end of 1950, Horn sang "Through the Years."

Clare Tarulli Nething of Canton and Horn received gift cards for making the first reservations locally and out of state. Letters were read from Wanda Wilcoxen Kleine and Herman Frank. Lottery tickets were given to everyone attending.

A dinner was held Saturday evening in Union Country Club at Dover. Strimbu, toastmaster, welcomed the group. A large diamond nestled up high and surrounded by small diamonds on a circle of blue material centered each table. The centerpieces were made by Bev Mason Arnold of New Philadelphia.

A memoriam of 50 deceased classmates was presented by Groh and France. Eugene Kelker, class president, led the group in prayer. Wayne Specht gave the invocation.

As a surprise, each classmate who attended Saturday was given a group photo and a booklet with everyone's address in it. Special thanks was given to Case and Monte for their work putting Friday's program together. Horn led the singing of the alma mater.

Sunday morning, a large group gathered for breakfast in Shoney's at Dover.

The reunion committee members were Donna Hall Phillips, Arnold, Van Alstyne, Groh, Mildred Burns Grey, Gloria Rouch Donehue, Monte and France and Kelker, cochairman.

The next reunion will be held in two years.