

Reunion info.01

**Our 60<sup>th</sup> Reunion Material  
Charleston, SC  
The Loutrel Hotel  
26-29 February 2024**

Our 60<sup>th</sup> reunion will be a few months short of the actual anniversary of our graduation from H.H. Arnold HS, but at our age, what are a few months? The dates are 26-29 February 2024, arriving on a Monday (the 26<sup>th</sup>) and departing Thursday (the 29<sup>th</sup>). Three nights in the hotel: 26, 27 and 28 February 2024. We'll have an opening reception; we'll have a closing party. We'll have the obligatory boat ride.

In choosing the dates, I took weather and cost into consideration. We don't want to have a reunion here in the summer. When one goes outdoors then, one's clothes immediately stick as you break into a sweat. No fun. Fall is good weather, but the hotel prices are doubled, and we all have families to visit or visit us during the late fall and winter holidays. That leaves the spring, when room prices are best (but still outrageous), and the weather at the end of February is decent. Average temperature is the low 60's, so sweaters.

I had initially thought we would book at the Mills House, but that fell through. We will be at a new hotel called The Loutrel.

<https://www.theloutrel.com/>

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\$324 for a king or two queens, but that includes breakfast, free snacks and beverages in your room or in the club area, wi-fi, bikes, a roof top bar (for our reception weather permitting) or a club-mezzanine area, and a bar/eating area on the first floor. The Loutrel is in the historic area, next to the "market area," and within a 6 square block area of it, there must be over 100 restaurants and bars. You will like it.

The link for making a reservation

is <https://reservations.travelclick.com/114109?groupID=3867837>

The hotel will take a card number but not charge it until you arrive. 48 hour cancellation policy. For those driving, there is parking for a fee, and for those flying, the airport is about 15 miles away—a 25-30 minute van ride into town. We have Uber and Lyft in the area, and they do the airport. There is a fleet of mini vans hanging around the airport that will take you into town as well. Their fares are reasonable. There are also taxis (the most expensive). When coming out of the terminal baggage pick-up area, directly across the street you will see taxi stands, places to meet Uber/Lyft cars, and the mini vans.

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