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I am looking forward to seeing everyone, and can you believe it's our "50th"? With Gratitude-My 50; After Helix '64, I headed straight to SDSU; Miss SDSU finalist '66; graduated '68 with my degree in Anthropology and Sociology, and CA Lifetime Teaching Credential: K to 9. My senior year I met John Finley McMinn (US Naval Aviator; Distinguished Flying Cross, and many other awards earned); we married that summer! After teaching 1 year, we had orders to Europe (Italy!) for 2 years; John's flying, my teaching and minor in Italian, skiing and traveling all over Europe, and our first Porsche! We returned pregnant with son, Johnny, Jr., to Virginia, and 2 years later camped across Canada to the Naval Post Graduate School at Monterey. Completing that Tour, we returned to San Diego and daughter Jill Victoria was born; our loving family was complete! John retired after 20 and hand-built our passive-solar home on 14 acres in North Poway; kids, horses, more skiing and traveling to England, Hong Kong, and the USA, more volunteering and all of that great part of our lives! (Poway Woman of the Year nominee and more!) I started helping friends and clients with Real Estate buying and selling in 1977; John joined me years later--great fun! San Diego Realtor of the Year finalist and more!) We were passionately married with a 40-year love affair, when he passed 5 years ago (heart attack); my grief was earth-shattering. By the Grace of God, I am joyful and happy to be back working again! Johnny is nearby and so am I. Jill and Rick are in Tennessee with wonderful grandsons Zachary and Jacob. I enjoy church; travel; genealogy for all family and our Pilgrim and Revolutionary War ancestors; SDSU College of Extended Studies classes, lecture, and Aztec for Life/Alumni events; Porsche Club touring (our second Porsche was our 35th anniversary gift to each other); hiking and walks; and USS Midway Museum volunteering; to honor John, our military, and our great country! Enjoy our "50th"!

