In a rush—Joe Sandner ’50 and wife Carol Smith Sandner ’50 of Birmingham hurry to find friends at the Class of 1950 barbeque.

Marking 45 years of friendship—The Class of 1960 and friends gathered at The Club atop Red Mountain for an evening of fun and fellowship.

Friends and fun—The Class of 1990 party, according to Melanie Major Sturm ’91 (left), was “a blast—I saw a lot of friends I hadn’t seen in a while.” Sturm, an account executive at Birmingham’s Luckie & Company, attended with friend Felton Seagroves Anderson ’90 of Alpharetta, Ga., a human resources analyst for The Southern Company.

Leaders, then and now—David F. Taylor ’86 of Nashville, a management consultant and 2004-05 president of the BSC Alumni Association, and Sheri Scholl Salmon ’85, dean of enrollment management at Birmingham-Southern, were two of many friends enjoying the gathering of the Class of 1985. In the background, BSC First Lady Karen Bentley Pollick greets other guests.

A special celebration—For the Class of 1955, Reunion 2005 offered memories that were truly golden. Fifteen members were present at class festivities to receive diplomas marking their 50th anniversaries as BSC grads. Bettie Wilson Story ’55 of Bloomington, Ill., former editor for the Illinois Great Rivers Conference of the United Methodist Church (shown here receiving her diploma from BSC President Dr. David Pollick) and her husband, Dr. Geoffrey “G.L.” Story ’55, professor emeritus of religion at Illinois Wesleyan, were among the honorees. She says, “It was a wonderful day in every respect.”

Fresh faces—Benjamin Marsh ’06 and Kristian Collins ’05 found opportunities to be part of Alumni Reunion even before graduation. Collins, now a first-year law student at the University of Alabama, says “I’ve hosted the Black Student Union alumni reception for the past four years, and have been delighted with every speaker… but given [1967 BSC graduate and 2005 Mini-College speaker] Ulysses Bennett’s special place in Birmingham-Southern’s history [as first African-American graduate], his words took on even greater significance. I left appreciating anew my time at ‘Southern and those who have made it possible—both through financial contributions and brave first steps.”