



September 8, 2020

Dear 1973 Classmates,

We hope you and your families and friends are healthy. We're sending speedy recovery wishes to classmates diagnosed with Covid-19 or any other illnesses.

Our 50th Reunion!

The class officers are excited to announce that Martha Reilly Hinchman and Susan Haltmaier will be our 50th Reunion co-chairs. Here's a note from them:

"We are thrilled to be asked to co-chair our 50th Reunion. Hopefully we'll have a great turnout, and we will do everything we can to make it fun, interesting and affordable. Our previous reunions have had talented, terrific teams, and we hope to add to that marvelous track record. We are already hard at work lining up volunteers for the many jobs and committees, so if you have any interest in being part of the 50th Reunion team (no previous experience required), please email one of us at <u>mhinchman@gmail.com</u> or <u>shaltmaier@comcast.net</u>. We would be happy to chat with you about the opportunities to make the 50th Reunion a spectacular one. We also welcome suggestions from all classmates. It might seem a bit early to start planning for June 2023, but time will zoom past faster than we expect. "We each look forward to this role after our earlier Wellesley volunteer experiences. Susan has served in a variety of roles on multiple reunions and looks forward to taking on the reunion cochair role with Martha. Martha has served as class fund rep and class president and looks forward to focusing on our milestone reunion.

"Ironically we both traveled to Africa last year. In the spring, Susan went to Zambia, Zimbabwe and Botswana, and in the fall Martha visited Kenya and Tanzania. Here are photos from our respective trips."



Susan at Kafue River in Kafue National Park, Zambia)



Martha straddling the Equator

Fall Mini-Reunions

COVID-19 will not stop us from enjoying each other's company. This fall we will experiment with dorm-based mini-reunions via Zoom. We'll start with Freeman, organized by Martha Reilly Hinchman and Betsey Maupin, and Claflin, organized by Jane Risser. Classmates in these two dorms will be emailed invitations with details in September.

If the mini-reunions are successful (and we hope they will be), we'll host mini-reunions for the other dorms shortly thereafter. Information about dorm designations and email addresses is maintained by the Alumnae Office. If you have a question about your dorm designation or want to update your email address, please contact the Alumnae Office at recordupdates@wellesley.edu.

If anyone would like to organize a Zoom by dorm, geography or by groups of friends, go for it. Wellesley has a Zoom link that we can use. The College can help send out notices, or you can feel free to do it on your own. Please keep Nancy Beren (<u>nancyberen@gmail.com</u>) in the loop so that we can track and not overlap and can be available for assistance.

Class Officers

Class officers last met in person in August 2019. Since then we have had five conference or Zoom calls, in which each class officer has presented an update. We had long discussions on potential reunion co-chairs. We were seeking candidates who had not been reunion co-chairs before and who had demonstrated a commitment to our class through volunteer roles. We are delighted that Martha and Susan responded enthusiastically when we asked them to consider becoming co-chairs.

Class officers will attend training over Zoom in October. We'll miss the interaction of in-person meetings on campus but are pleased that the alumnae office will provide training virtually this year.

Class Treasury

The treasury stands at \$61,554 as of June 30. During our July quarterly officer Zoom meeting, we agreed to use some of these funds to help defray 50th Reunion expenses.

We have 323 life members, representing more than 80% of our class. Three classmates inadvertently paid for life memberships more than once and did not want a refund. We thank you for all the contributions towards life memberships. Our life member funds are invested by the College, and we receive the income every year.

Class Website

While our class website was completed before the College's summer furloughs, staff are now working to finish building the Wellesley Alumnae site, which will make it more functional. Thanks to Darcy Kupferschmidt of the Wellesley College Alumnae Association for working on our class website. If you haven't checked out the new '73 site, here is the link: https://alum.wellesley.edu/class-of-1973. Your login name and password are the same. Our home page looks great!

All the content from our old site is here — past newsletters, photos from mini-reunions, list of class officers and more. We'd like to add more photos to our new website and have photos at our 50th for a slideshow of our college years, reunions and mini-reunions. But we need your help! If you have photos in a digital format, please send them to Lynne by email (lynne.m.miller@gmail) or through Dropbox or Google Photos. Lynne is happy to scan and return your prints (Lynne Miller, 10441 Down Patrick Lane, Great Falls, VA 22066).

Other Ways to Connect With '73

We also encourage you to join 163 classmates on our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/WellesleyCollege1973/</u>. There is a link to our Facebook page at the bottom of the '73 website home page. Please inform the College of any changes to your email and physical address. Email <u>recordupdates@wellesley.edu</u>, update your profile on the WCAA website <u>www.alum.wellesley.edu</u>, or call the alumnae office at 800-339-5233. There is also a link on our class website to update your profile.

Class secretary Betsey Maupin asks that you send her news for class notes in *Wellesley Magazine*: <u>1973notes@alum.wellesley.edu</u>. She's especially interested in hearing what challenges you have faced – or lessons you've learned! – during the COVID-19 crisis. Her next deadline for receiving your news is Nov. 23, 2020.

Class Fundraising Results

Our class responded beautifully to Wellesley's call for financial support this past fiscal year, which ended June 30. Two hundred fifty-eight members of the class (64%) stepped forward with a gift to Wellesley, including 35 classmates who made gifts of \$2,500 or more, making them members of the Durant Society. The Development Office described our results as "nothing short of phenomenal," given the challenges that the global pandemic has created. A heartfelt thank you to every classmate who made a gift in fiscal 2020. Also, special acknowledgement goes to Class Fund Rep Jane Risser and dorm reps Pam Knight Wetherbee, Elsie Dunlap Henderson, Lynne Miller and Margaret Yonco-Haines, who worked tirelessly throughout the final weeks of the fiscal year.

In this fiscal year, which began July 1, Wellesley faces significant budget challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Expenses for adapting to remote learning are estimated to be more than \$6 million. (That number is in addition to annual operating expenses such as financial aid, College-funded student activities and mundane but vital expenses like utilities and telephone, postage, and office supplies.) Our support will be greatly welcomed. Given that many of those pandemic-related expenses are being incurred right now, the sooner that you can make your gift (particularly in the next few months), the greater the relief. You can give online at https://www.givecampus.com/campaigns/12510/donations/new or by mail at Wellesley College, Development Office, 106 Central Street, Wellesley, MA, 02481.

Wellesley Student Aid Society

For those who are interested in helping the Student Aid Society, it can't accept your donations of clothing and shoes right now because of pandemic-related health and safety guidelines on campus. You might want to consider the Society, though, with a gift of money. (A gift to Wellesley Student's Aid Society will counts towards our class participation.) Go to: https://www.wellesley.edu/studentsaid/donate

Classmates Without Email

We continue our effort to find classmates who don't have email on file with the College. Because most communications from the class and the College are by email, we want to have email addresses from as many classmates as possible. See below for a list of the 83 classmates for whom we don't have an email address; some of the 83 have a physical address on file but no email, and some are really lost to us, without an email or physical address on file. We'd love your help! We have a separate list of 27 classmates who do not want to be contacted by email but are OK receiving snail mail. Please email Betsey Maupin if you have information on emails or physical addresses for any of the 83 classmates listed (elizabethmaupin@gmail.com).

Thank you for staying connected to our class. Please let us know any news or items you'd like to see on the new '73 website. Stay well and healthy!

Warm regards from your class officers,

Lynne Miller, President <u>(lynne.m.miller@gmail.com)</u> Nancy Beren, Vice President <u>(nancyberen@gmail.com)</u> Dana Stevenson Lang, Treasurer <u>(danalang2018@gmail.com)</u> Betsey Maupin, Secretary <u>(elizabethmaupin@gmail.com)</u> Jane Risser, Representative <u>(risserjane@gmail.com)</u> Susan Remmer Ryzewic, Planned Giving Chair <u>(sryzewic@ehrinv.com)</u>

First Norse	Graduation Last	Lest News
First Name	Name	Last Name
June	Grasso	Grasso
Elizabeth	Legesse	Legesse
Joanna	Broome	Broome-Parker
Ann	Erikson	Febiger
Celena	Courtney	Courtney
Diane	Rowley	Rowley
Hella	Wildenhayn	Kirchner
Blayney	Fox	Myers
Carol	Handwerker	Handwerker
Anne	Shere	Wallwork
Joan	Dawe	Zak
Marguerite	Jakob	Sander
Patricia	Hayes	Harper
Laurie	Goldberger	Goldberger
Laurie	Soderman	Larson

'73 Classmates for Whom We Don't Have An Email Address on File

Carol	Phelps	Phelps
Gayle	Carroll	Holcom
Maureen	Millea	Millea
Penelope	Prince	Delany
Joyce	Mayers	Mayers
Margot	Flowers	Flowers
Marjorie	Brown	Szerlip
Adele	Allen	Allen
Kathleen	Kelleher	Kelleher
Ann	Rappaport	Rappaport
Judith	Mizner	Mizner
Sarah	Wilkinson	Hainline
Mary	Pyke	Connor
Judy	O'Donnell	O'Donnell
Debra	Poaster	Poaster
Andrea	Kase	Finley
Amy	Anderson	Anderson
Urmila	Banerjee	Banerjee
Jane	Glatz	O'Regan
Robin	Barell	Beck
Alicia	Conklin	Conklin
Eleanor	Brushwood	Brushwood
Elizabeth	Learson	Learson
Marguerite	Mc Carty	McCarty
Cheryl	Harris	Harris
Dale	Springer	Springer
Julie	Du Bose	DuBose
Lisa	Thomen	Thomen
Joan	Pierce	Uraneck
Nancy	Silver	Newman
Jean	Seibert	Stucky
Lorna	Cunningham	Davidson
Gloria	Thomas	Thomas
Joan	Robbins	Robbins
Nancy	Miniszek	Phelps
Erin	Fernandez	Fernandez-Ely
Laura	Kahana	Pabo
Mary	Ladner	Robertson

Sheila	Merwin	Marian
Cheryl	Sandford	Jenkins
Susan	Pryor	Trigger
Lois	Sturm	Sturm
Nancy	Hutzel	Raines
Elizabeth	Books	Books
Christine	Worth	Vergara
Celia	Clark	Clark
Adelina	Shaw	Shaw
Frederica	Byers	Byers
Anne	Du Breuil	du Breuil
Elizabeth	Bienvenu	Bienvenu
Deborah	Cole	Cole
Katherine	Stewart	Stewart
Patricia	Green	Green
Harriet	Lewis	Robinson
Dale	Kelly	Bankhead
Janet	Whipple	Walden
Sara	Meeker	Carter
Natalie	Parks	Hunter
Christine	Jobin	Jobin
Rebecca	Elsasser	Tolby
Cynthia	Attridge	Farrow
Noreene	Davis	Davis
Cynthia	Stratton	Stratton
Carol	Anderson	Anderson
Barbara	Garrity	Garrity
Suzan	Edwards	Edwards
Amy	Knoblauch	Dubin
Bonnie	Gaymon	Gaymon
Nancy	Garvin	Shor