CLASS OF 1975 50TH REUNION NEWSLETTER



It's hard to believe it has been 50 years since we were all together on campus!

We are looking forward to our upcoming 50th Reunion and the chance to connect with each of you before June. We will send you three newsletters between now and Reunion, sharing important information about our Class Gift, Reunion registration, and the amazing weekend schedule. Our goal is to get 100 of our classmates back for the festivities June 19-22, 2025. The Class of 1973 50th Reunion broke the Reunion class attendance record at 103...maybe we could beat that?!

Please join us in celebrating what Lawrence gave us. We will reconnect with old friends, make new memories, and experience campus again with all the changes that have happened over 50 years! Wherever you are today, we look forward to welcoming you back on campus in June.

Your 50th Reunion Committee,

— Joe, Pam, Mary, Nancy, Danica, Lydia, Chris, Kathy, Jane, Betsy, Cathryn, Chuck, and Jan

CLASS OF 1975 50[™] REUNION COMMITTEE:

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DON'T MISS IT! WHY I'M COMING TO REUNION





Betsy Van Ingen Steward

Hello Classmates!

After diligently missing our first 39 reunions, I attended our 40th in 2015, and I'm so glad I did! That's why I won't miss the 50th next June. I reconnected with so many classmates whose images

had faded in my memory, but whose friendship has now been rekindled. Seeing everyone again brought back so many heart-warming memories!

It can be scary to attend reunions, but my experience was completely positive. I was welcomed with open arms, and my own arms opened wide when I saw my old friends (and even my favorite professor)! I had so much fun that when I was invited to join the Reunion Committee, of course I said yes. At my first meeting, they asked us to name our favorite memory of Lawrence, and I said, "The Magic Flute!" Maybe you remember that, too—a lot of committee members did.

I wouldn't have attended the 40th if it weren't for one of my old friends from freshman year, who really encouraged me to join him in Appleton. Can I be that person for you? I'd really love to see you there and hear about all that's happened to you since—gulp—1975!!!

Please join me next June! Can't wait to see you!

-Betsy

Nancy Fitzgerald

Greetings to the Class of '75!

10 years ago, I was surprised to be asked to join the 40th Reunion Committee as I would not have otherwise attended



that reunion! I accepted and had a wonderful time reconnecting with friends and acquaintances – and met classmates I had not known when I was at Lawrence. I was apprehensive but had a completely positive experience and a lot of fun!

10 years later, I am here to encourage you to attend our 50th Reunion. If you are unsure, why not reach out to a former classmate and plan a reunion within the reunion. It was a great group of people who shared the unique experience of LU of the early '70s. Plus – it is our 50th Reunion! How many more chances will we have?

Save the date: June 19-22, 2025

I look forward to seeing you then in Appleton!

—Nancy



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THIS IS OUR YEAR TO MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE FOR THE LAWRENCE STUDENT EXPERIENCE THROUGH OUR COLLECTIVE 50TH REUNION CLASS GIFT!

Everything Counts For Our Reunion Class Gift! One of the exciting things about our 50th Reunion is the number of options we have to contribute to the Class Gift for our 50th Reunion. Please consider how you would like to impact the future for Lawrence students. You may designate your gifts to the Lawrence Fund (Unrestricted gifts supporting the Conservatory, Athletics, Scholarships, the Library, Björklunden, and more!) or to other areas of your interest, like individual named funds.

All gifts given or pledged from July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 count!

- Include Lawrence in your estate plans and join the <u>Lawrence-Downer Legacy Circle</u>.
 Please provide an estimate of your gift (the estimate is not legally binding and can be adjusted at any time.) If you already included Lawrence in your plans and have not let Lawrence know, please do! Now is the time as your estimate counts toward the Class Gift.
- Make a one-year pledge or, even better to have more impact, a multi-year pledge
 (three, four, or five years). Example, a five-year pledge of \$2,000/year would count as a
 \$10,000 gift towards our 50th Reunion Class Gift. Visit Lawrence's <u>How to Give</u> page to
 learn more about how you can give your gift.
- Make a gift online now at <u>lawrence.edu/give-online</u>
- Make a gift through your IRA as a <u>Qualified Charitable Distribution</u>. You recently received a postcard with our very own Mary Dinauer's testimonial sharing more about this great giving option!
- To make a multi-year pledge or to join Lawrence-Downer Legacy Circle, please contact our Reunion Liaisons from the Advancement Office. They are here to answer any questions you may have:
 - Chuck Demler, Director of Leadership & Planned Giving, chuck.demler@lawrence.edu, 920-832-6937
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