

Middlebury College

**CLASS OF 1972** 

**50TH REUNION** JUNE 9-12, 2022: REUNION WEEKEND

## **Get Ready to Celebrate Our 50th Reunion!**

We are delighted to be working with the leadership team and committee members to create a memorable 50th Reunion for the Class of 1972.

As you will see throughout this newsletter, work has begun on the social planning, yearbook creation, and fundraising. We'd love to hear from you! Send us your ideas, questions, and suggestions.

Most importantly, know that we want every one of you to be a part of our celebration. We hope the Reunion Weekend dates of June 9-12, 2022, are in your calendar. It won't be the same without you!

Janet Halstead Franklin jhfranklin72@gmail.com George Cady cadygl@gmail.com Spring is here, and over the past few weeks we've really enjoyed reading your suggestions for our 50th Reunion theme. Hats off to the creativity! Do expect to see some of the phrases in the yearbook!

The honors go to Kathy Page Willis, with her recommendation of the Simon and Garfunkel song "Old Friends/Bookends." And the theme is **"And What a Time It Was."** 

We also thank all of you who completed the survey and sent such good ideas on the 50th Reunion activities. They make the planning even more fun for us!

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### Your 1972 Co-Chairs

**50TH REUNION CO-CHAIRS** George Cady Janet Halstead Franklin

**GIFT COMMITTEE** Bill Carlough Mary Kate Sullivan Cox George Kuckel Ingrid Stanlis

**YEARBOOK COMMITTEE** Cynthia Bear Judy McCormack

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE** Paul Lehman Kathy Mulligan Lord





### **The Yearbook Has Begun!**

The winning theme of the 1972 50th Reunion's Yearbook is "**And What a Time It Was.**" Thank you to Kathy Page Willis for her Simon and Garfunkel reference of preserving your memories with a photograph. The Yearbook Committee is eager to plan the contents of our book around our "time" then and our "time" since!

Members of the committee are starting to gather works of art for the yearbook, including the outside and inside covers, and are looking for creative pieces (poems, essays, and special moments at Middlebury). They have also begun working on writing life stories on our dearly missed deceased classmates. If you have special memories of a deceased classmate, please email them, in a few sentences, to Cynthia Bear.

Be on the lookout this summer, as the Yearbook Committee will send all of you a letter requesting your life story (your "bio"). It should be 500–550 words and come with one to three photos to complete your page. It's time to remember and write about your "time since Middlebury."

Photos from our years at Middlebury and from our Reunions are urgently needed. Your contribution of photos, memories, ideas, and creativity for the yearbook will help make the Class of 1972 Reunion Yearbook more personal. Please email everything to Judy directly. If you are unable to scan old photos, please email Judy and she'll arrange to scan them for you.

And what a time it is now, to find that Middlebury box in your closet and send us the best contents. We will even read a freshman English paper!

Sincerely,

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# You're Invited to Volunteer!

Consider volunteering to help with the 50th Reunion yearbook, event planning, or the class's fundraising efforts. If you'd like to get involved, please contact one of our staff liaisons, Tiffany Stowe or Lyn DeGraff.

We've already begun meeting with your co-chairs via Zoom and would love to have you join the team. Planning for your 50th Reunion kicks into high gear at a Reunion planning session held over **Homecoming Weekend**, **October 29-31**. Of course, this event is dependent on the COVID-19 situation.

If volunteers are not able to gather on campus this fall, we will find alternative ways to come together to plan your Reunion.



### **YOUR STAFF LIAISONS**

### **Tiffany Stowe**

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# **Continuing the Legacy:** The Class of 1972 Scholarship

In celebration of the milestone 50th Reunion, Churchill '71 and Janet Halstead Franklin '72 have provided support for the new Class of 1972 Scholarship Fund. They're inviting classmates to join them in making a gift to this fund.

The scholarship is part of the College's permanent endowment and will help open the door to Middlebury College for generations of deserving students.

### WAYS TO MAKE A GIFT | 50TH GIFT PLANNING



### Planning Takes Time: Consider Your Reunion Giving Options

There's a long tradition at Middlebury: Each year, members of the 50th Reunion class plan how they want to help shape Middlebury through special Reunion gifts.

It's our turn now. And we know that such planning can take time. It's not too early to begin exploring options.

Contact Tiffany Stowe, Office of Gift Planning, at 802-443-5169 or tjstowe@middlebury.edu.



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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR Class of 1972 50th Reunion June 9-12, 2022

### Middlebury Class of 1972 Facebook Page

Share photos and updates on the **Middlebury College Class** of 1972 Facebook page.

### **Classmate Outreach**

Reach out to friends in the class send them a letter or email, make a call, or invite them to a small group get-together. Start the conversation!

### Update Contact Information

Go to **www.middlebury.edu/** alumni and click on "Stay Connected." Much of the Reunion information will come by email, and we want you to hear it all!



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