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Greetings WU Class of ’79!

After these many, many, (okay, many!) years, an enthusiastic group of classmates (read on to find out who) enjoyed an evening of laughter, reminiscing about our years at Willamette University. It was the beginning of a reunion committee set to organize a weekend that will delight, charm and bring a smile to your face until we meet again in 2014!

Yes! It is the 30th reunion for the Class of ’79! But, before you grab that pen and calendar, let me share a few memories that we hope will have a ripple effect, causing you to mention the reunion in even your most casual of conversations! Number one memory-maker is Freshman Glee – and all that it included. Crazy bets made, and even more fun, paid off! The “losers” walked through the Millstream (back when it was truly a stream!). Marching … singing…. Bobo’s tavern (oh yeah, great times!). What a class we had!

Hey, there’s more! VIPS, open all night ~ The Ram, when you could make your own burgers ~ cinnamon rolls at the capitol’s basement cafeteria (if you could get there early enough) ~ watching the movie Carrie and having to run back to campus in the dark (yep, those were “man screams” you heard from the audience) ~ the annual jockstrap race ~ the Blazers in their heyday (and practicing at Willamette … remember seeing Walton?!?) ~ the record albums of the period: Boz Scaggs, Boston, Seals and Croft, Frampton Live ~ our very own Kalapana concert!! Good times!

Date: September 18 to September 20, 2009

Ha, snuck that in on you didn’t I?! Now is the time to circle that date. No, there is no excuse to use the pencil. You have plenty of time and can write it in ink!!

Friday evening we have our class reception, planned to be held at the Halile Ford Museum of Art, close to the University. Saturday is the Celebrate Willamette! banquet. Of course there are also other events to be held throughout the weekend.

Please check the Willamette University website for specific class information, and keep an eye out for future postscripts through the mail. We promise you will be well informed.

http://willamette.edu/alumni/reunion/1979.html

If you have a new email address that has not been updated recently, please send your address to lhcotter@comcast.net, and I’ll be happy to add you to our present list.

I know that I speak for the reunion committee – Ken Chaitin, Donna (King) Tyner, Ellen (Baldwin) Titus, Michael Crabbe, and Whitney (Heimlich) Ingersoll – when I say “Circle the Date!”

We truly look forward to a spectacular 30th Reunion Weekend!

Very warmly,
Lynda (Farmer) Cotter

P.S. Our class even has a Facebook page! Check it out at http://tinyurl.com/aa3h3y.