



Class of 1968

Dear Classmates:

Thank you for joining us in the 'longest rock playlist' ever as we reconnected at our 45th reunion and also created new friendships to carry us over to our next gathering. Classmates have since provided comments ranging from those who'd never or rarely joined a reunion to others who already knew we'd have a great time together.

This letter is to share some highlights with the hope that, as classmates urged, you will return to the Class Website frequently to check on new ways the committee has launched to stay connected and rejoin events before our 50th reunion.

Reunion Records:

- The class set the record for highest attendance of any 45th with 314 attending together with 200 guests. These included current undergraduates, including potential ones now ages 3–10.
- The Class Report netted 59% participation.
- Gifts in honor of our Reunion were given by 977 classmates (73% of the class) pledging \$37.8 million. We surpassed the previous 16-year record held by the class of '52 (778). We also had the highest number of donors of all the 2013 reunion classes and the highest number of donors in our history. We also had the highest number of 'never given' or 'never give' in recent years. The Class now holds the donor record for the 35th, 40th, and 45th Reunions as well as the dollar record for the 40th and 45th Reunions.

Students:

- We invited students to join us so that we might learn more about their experiences. They are extraordinary students and we are grateful for hearing from them in one of our panels, dining with them in Leverett House, doing brunch at Currier House and also

chatting with those who staffed registration and bar setups.

On Campus:

- We began and ended in Radcliffe Yard welcomed by Susan Wallach and Radcliffe Institute Dean Elizabeth Cohen
- We partied away to our beloved rock and roll band, Central Park Zoo from 8 till after midnight at Leverett House, hosted by Housemaster Howard Georgi. We can also "party on" by requesting a CD or inviting the band to do a gig anywhere we wish to dance. See Class Website or go to cpzoo.com's "contact us" page.
- We returned to Harvard's longest running class reunion show, the 1968 Cabaret, at the JFK School, courtesy of Pete Zimmerman and masters of ceremony Ed Kovachy and Cort Casady.
- The farewell events of a Wine Bar and open mic on Sunday launched at our 40th were given new dimensions: "Glimpses" developed by Wendy Mnookin and Jim Sersich featured 13 classmates and a Non-Profit Expo by 12 others organized by Eric Multhaup.
- Special interest groups from WHRB to dorm get-togethers and an informal session "Singles Look to the Future" were organized by classmates with great success, robustly competing with the Harvard-Princeton Game.
- Six panels running concurrently each were filled to capacity with discussions continuing over the weekend.
- Thirty-two class members who died since the 40th Reunion were remembered in a moving and poetic Thanksgiving and Memorial Service presided over by The Reverend Anne Fowler

We have heard from many classmates since the Reunion concluded on October 27th and hope you will check out the Class Website for materials from these events as well as photos submitted by classmates (<http://classes.harvard.edu/college/1968>). We hope to launch an Alumni/ae listserve to support and further our connections if there is interest. We also welcome comments and your thoughts for the next reunion which coincides with Harvard's 2018 Commencement (Sunday through Thursday).

[Please click here to take the Reunion survey.](#)

Let's continue 'living the spirit of the '60s in our Sixties' as we did this October.

Best Regards,

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