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This year marks the anniversary of your graduation from Wellesley College. Reunion is an exciting time to return to campus, renew friendships, and celebrate your memories. As you reminisce about your time at the College, we hope you will consider how your reunion gift can help make the Wellesley experience just as meaningful for today's students as it was for you.

What is Reunion Giving?

Reunion giving is a special component of The Wellesley Fund (which supports the College's most immediate needs and helps to defray costs that tuition does not cover) that seeks increased support from members of reunion classes. Last year, alumnae and friends contributed more than \$10 million to The Wellesley Fund, 30% of which came from those celebrating reunions. These funds help the College meet the annual costs of supporting academic programs and other essential activities and services.

What will my class ask of me?

Each reunion class strives to make the largest collective gift to the College possible. This goal is only achievable if every member of each class participates. By including as many members as possible in this effort, your class gift will have a profound and far-reaching impact on the College. Your participation is essential to your class's success.

How will my gift be used?

By supporting Wellesley through a gift to The Wellesley Fund, your gift will go where it is needed most. Your unrestricted gift:

- provides our outstanding students with critical financial aid resources,
- enables the College to recruit and retain our top-ranked faculty, and
- allows Wellesley to build upon and enhance the campus and our state-of-the-art facilities.

In sum, your gift will help Wellesley cover the costs of operating the College that are not fully covered by tuition, fees, or endowment income.

How can I make my gift?

Please use the attached gift slip and reply envelope to mail your check to Wellesley. If you prefer to give online, please visit www.wellesley.edu/give. Or feel free to make your gift over the phone by calling 800.358.3543.

How much should I give?

Everyone in your class will be asked to participate in reunion giving. Levels of support vary from class to class, and person to person, but your class fundraising volunteers will likely ask you for a “stretch” gift. Many Wellesley alumnae choose to use reunion as a time to increase their support by joining The Durant Society.

The Durant Society Membership Levels:	
President’s Circle:	\$10,000+
Dean’s Circle:	\$5,000-\$9,999
Member:	\$2,500-\$4,999
10th Reunion Member:	\$1,000
5th Reunion Member:	\$500

Giving at the Durant Society level is more convenient now than ever. Consider making your gift in monthly installments—a new option on the attached gift slip.

Every gift, regardless of size, is vital to Wellesley. If you are unable to make a gift at the Durant Society level, we still encourage you to participate in your class reunion gift. Every gift truly does make a difference in the lives of today’s students, faculty, and staff.

Last year, more than 400 alumnae made gifts at the Durant Society level in honor of their reunion.

Did you know planned gifts count toward reunion totals and your membership in The Durant Society?

Planned gifts, such as charitable gift annuities, not only provide you with guaranteed quarterly income throughout your life, but also count toward your class’s giving totals and membership in The Durant Society. Plus, these gifts are now counted at 100% face value. Below you will find a listing of the current annuity rates. If you would like a personalized proposal, please contact the Planned Giving Office by emailing pg@wellesley.edu, or calling 800.253.8916.

Current Charitable Gift Annuity Rates		
CLASS	AGE	RATE
1982	51	12.2*
1977	56	10.0*
1972	61	8.2*
1967	66	5.4
1962	71	5.9
1957	76	6.6
1952	81	7.7
1947	86	8.0
1942	91	8.0
1937	96	8.0

*Assuming annuity payments start at age 70. Other rates listed are for immediate-payment annuities. A minimum gift of \$10,000 is required.

And matching gifts count too!

Many companies will match employee contributions, in some cases doubling or tripling your gift, which could qualify you for membership in The Durant Society and increase your class’s overall giving totals! If you are associated with a matching-gift company, please obtain a matching gift form from your Human Resources office and send the completed form to Wellesley with your gift.

I would like to support Wellesley today!

Prefer to give online?

Simply visit www.wellesley.edu/give

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- ☐ I am making my gift of \$ _____
by check (*payable to Wellesley College*).
- ☐ **New!** I wish to make my gift by credit card over
multiple months.
- ☐ Please charge my credit card with a one-time gift.
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Please see the reverse side for payment information.

Yes! I would like to:

- ☐ Help a deserving student: financial aid
- ☐ Help the College meet its every day needs: unrestricted

(For more gift options, please visit www.wellesley.edu/give)

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Please take a moment to update your information for our records.

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

If your gift and this letter have crossed in the mail, thank you for your support.



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Credit Card Information

Please charge my gift of \$ _____ to my credit card:

- ☐ Single payment of: \$ _____
- ☐ Monthly payment of \$ _____ beginning in the month of _____ for _____ months.
- ☐ Monthly payment of \$ _____ beginning in the month of _____ for 36 months.

We email receipts for all monthly gifts. Is your email accurate?
(See reverse)

☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ American Express

Account No. _____

Expiration Date _____

In addition, my gift will be matched by:

- ☐ Signed and completed matching gift forms are enclosed.
- ☐ Please send me information about making a life income/
planned gift.
- ☐ I have included Wellesley in my will/estate plans.
- ☐ I would like to make a pledge of \$ _____ to be
paid by *June 30*.

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Gifts of Securities: If you would like to give a gift in the form of securities, please contact the Securities Administrator at 781.283.3791.

Tax Credit: Gifts postmarked on or before December 31 may qualify for an income tax deduction for the year.

Gift Credit: Gifts postmarked on or before June 30 will be counted toward your class totals for the current fiscal year.

Wellesley College Tax ID
#04-2103637

Any additional questions?
Please call us at 800.358.3543.

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