

Class of 1995 Class Meeting

June 11, 2005

Class officer reports:

- **President (*Heather Kispert Hagerty*)**
 - **Yahoo egroups list: wellesley95@yahoogroups.com**
 - Launched following 5th reunion as an open discussion forum for the class
 - We have done annual emails to classmates not already on the list to encourage them to join. Membership has gone up and down over the years, currently at nearly 200 members
 - Initially, we tried a “question of the month” series, but found we didn’t need to encourage our classmates to use the list. Nearly 300 messages have gone out over past five years, ranging from calls to volunteer to philosophical questions about going back to grad school, married vs maiden names, and regional events.
 - Heather is the current owner of the list and will transfer ownership to next class president.
 - **Annual mailings to the class:**
 - Letter from class officers in December 2000
 - Birthday cards throughout 2001
 - Holiday mailing in December 2002
 - Newsletters in Winter 2003 and Spring 2004 – note, these are both archived on our class Web site
 - **General outreach to the class:**
 - Over the past two years, I have been calling and emailing classmates, encouraging people to volunteer or to simply attend the reunion. It’s been a pleasure to get to know people and even better to put some faces with names at our reunions. We have an amazing class full of women who lead the most interesting lives, and it has been an honor to serve as class president for the past five years.
- **Vice President (*on behalf of Kate Nettleton*)**
 - Regional events are held on a volunteer basis. We encourage all classmates to consider hosting an event, which could be as simple as a pay-as-you-go night at a local bar to a potluck brunch at someone’s home.
 - *April 23, 2001:* Several classmates and other young alumnae met at Flute on West 54th Street prior to a Wellesley event at Radio City Hall in New York City
 - *August 1, 2001:* A dozen classmates met at Gargoyles on the Square in Davis Square in Somerville, MA
 - *December 29, 2002:* New York-area alumnae met at the The Cub Room in New York

- *January 29, 2003*: Boston-area alumnae met at the Summer Shack in Cambridge. They enjoyed an evening of dinner and a show.
- **Treasurer (on behalf of Jennifer Conlin-Brown)**
 - **Lifetime Membership:**
 - Life-membership principle is invested with the College, and the interest it generates is used to support class activities.
 - 45 classmates have become lifetime members since our 5th reunion
 - We encourage the next set of officers to grow lifetime memberships, as they are a source of income for our reunion planning.
 - **State of treasury:**
 - we owe some \$\$ to Wellesley for postage for something, but current balance is approx. \$1860 - we need to send \$1140 of that to Wellesley to invest for us - so we're at around \$700 or so for a balance in the account.
 - We encourage the next set of officers to brainstorm money-makers for the class to build the class treasury for things like regional events, newsletters, and our 15th reunion.
- **Secretary- Ellen McConnell**
 - Updated class records. Including changes of address or name, or noting deaths, and communicated those changes to other class officers.
 - Contributed to class letters
 - Sent birthday cards
 - Attended Alumnae Leadership Council, October 2003
 - Wrote class notes four times a year: Sept. 1, Dec. 1, March 1, May 1
 - Gathered news from alums
 - Compiled class notes
- **Webmaster (on behalf of Michelle Gillett)**
 - Web site: <http://www.wellesley.edu/Alum/Classes/1995/index.html>
 - Initially launched in 2001 shortly after 9/11 by Heather.
 - Taken over in 2002 by Rebecca Wells and relaunched
 - Revised this past year by Michelle Gillet (also Wellesley's webmaster)
 - We are looking to redesign the class web site over the summer/fall. Michelle is happy to have a short list of folks who are interested in consulting on the project.

Committee chair reports:

Report from Tracy Harris White, Nominating Committee Chair

Note from Heather: Tracy would have liked to have joined us, but she and her husband, Sean, welcomed their son Brady to the family this spring.

The Nominating Committee members were: Alicia Dowdell, Mieke Eoyang, Sonya Freeman, Ava Lena Waldman, Kerry Lynch (ex officio), and Tracy White (chair).

Requests for nominations were requested from the class starting early December 2004. The process was publicized using the forums of: "blast" email, Yahoo Groups mailing list, Wellesley Online Community, and the class website. Nominations were submitted via a dedicated website.

Despite numerous attempts to garner interest from the class, the number of women willing to commit to become candidates was very low. The final candidate tally submitted to the Alumnae Office on March 28 was: 1 candidate for President, 2 candidates for Vice President, 1 candidate for Treasurer, 1 candidate for Secretary, and 1 candidate for Annual Giving Representative.

Report from Kerry Travers Lynch: Annual Giving Representative

22 Durant Level Gifts
Over 5 years: \$146, 688.50
32 % participation

Class constitution: review and vote for approval

Approved

New business

- One person wanted to know how we could lower the cost of reunion
- We need to have more money in our class treasury with lifetime membership dues
- The class needs to come up with a fund raiser to add to the treasury

Election of Class of 1995 officers for 2006-2010 term

Elected:

President- Sunny Kim
Vice President- Ellen McConnell
Secretary- Tania Peters
Treasurer- Kerry Travers Lynch
Annual Giving Representative- Eleanor Cornish

Moment of silence for deceased classmates

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