Greetings from 50th Reunion committee leader Anne Prince Cuddy

Dear Classmates,

It’s hard to believe that nearly 50 years have passed since that Sunday morning, May 31, 1964, when we entered the Greensboro Coliseum to receive the very first UNCG diplomas.

From moving into those freshman dormitories, saying goodbye to our parents, to going to 8 o’clock classes in raincoats over our pajamas, we pursued our educations with an energy that allowed us to put our degrees to good use after that day.

So much has happened to each of us since then: careers, marriages, children, grandchildren, retirement; now we are looking back on our lives with knowledge of accomplishment made possible, at least in part, by the education we received at the Woman’s College and UNCG.

Next April 11 and 12, we will have the opportunity to return to Greensboro to remember and celebrate with each other all that we experienced during those years in Greensboro and all that we each have become as a result.

During the days we are celebrating the anniversary of our commencement, we will have a room in Elliott Hall that will serve as our “home base” for the weekend. In that room, we can display items we have made, and other items that have characterized our lives. Authors can make arrangements with the university bookstore to sell their books during the weekend and to display them in “our” room. Memorabilia (see Everlasting President Sharon Bristol’s article on page 3) can be displayed and either donated to the University Archives or returned to you.

We will designate a reasonably priced hotel for the 50th reunion class; UNCG will have frequent shuttle service from that hotel to the campus throughout the reunion. When we are not on-campus events, we will have a comfortable hospitality suite where we can put our feet up and relax with classmates.

Our reunion committee has been meeting over the past year with the alumni office to create an event we will all want to attend. We welcome your suggestions and ideas; send them to me at cuddych@nc.rr.com and I will distribute them to the committee. A subcommittee of the group is designing a format for a book in which each classmate can tell us about herself and her life after Greensboro; watch for a questionnaire which will come to you during the next few months. The resulting “bio book” will be distributed at the reunion, and we encourage everyone to contribute to it, even if you are not able to attend the event in person.

I look forward to seeing you again next April.

Class of 1964 50th Reunion Committee Meeting, March 2012

Pictured, left to right: Ann Yarbrough Frazier, Rachel Spradley Parker, Janet Harper Gordon, Patty Routh Sanders, Kay Womack Varsamis, Carol Jones Pope, Jane Francum Johnson, Judith Currin Parker, Judy Mock, Mary Kathryn Bailey Wells, Anne Prince Cuddy, Marion Thornhill McClure, Jean (Abo) Abernethy Poston, Glenda Sutton Burgin and Sharon Bristol

Not pictured: Rebecca Barham Harris, Beverly Bass Casey, Maxine Collins Johnson, Bonnie Dean Doty, Elizabeth Doggett Hickman, Andrea Drum Kepple, Jean (Happy) Harris Waller, Margaret Inman Hedgecoe, Emily Moore Axelrod, Sylvia Simpson, Phyllis Snyder Piluso, Martha Sommerfeld Hearron, Betty Ward Cone, Isabel Walker Harrar, and Hannah White Ashley.

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Honoring our Deceased Classmates

Do you have special memories of a classmate friend who has died? If so, please send them by e-mail or "snail mail" ASAP to one of the following planning committee members:

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If you know of a classmate who has died and whose name is not listed below, then please share her name and other helpful info, such as family survivors, address, the place and date of death, etc., if known, with the people on the memorial committee (above), copying Melissa Potter at the UNCG alumni office (mlpotte2@uncg.edu or 336-334.4024).

At our 50th Reunion in April 2014, we shall hold a Memorial Service to honor the memory of these beloved class members. If you are interested in assisting with this service, or contributing ideas, music, art, poetry, etc., please send your ideas to Phyllis Snyder Piluso by the end of June 2013. If you would like to participate in the Memorial Service with the placing of a rose in honor of your special friend, then please call or send e-mail to Phyllis before Jan. 2014. Thank you for your assistance as we seek to honor our loved ones who have gone on before us.

Nancy Abell Peacock  
Patricia Austelle Robinson  
Libby Auten Sandbank  
Annette Baker Lopp  
Mary Barnwell  
Jacqueline Bischoff Tremaun  
Linda Blackmon Paden  
Carolyn Booth Taylor  
Norma Brooks Fouks  
Patricia Bryan Wells  
Patricia Byrd Brandon  
Alic Causby Thompson  
Clara Causey Hemrick  
Virginia Clement Barnes  
Sharon Cole Rose  
Susan Craven  
Fay Crossley  
Linda Davis Kriegsman  
Billie Edwards Nichols  
Carol Eiserer  
Elaine Fine Stevens  
Janet Fowler Lambeth-Graham  
Linda Fye Mullinax  
Shirley Goodman McGowan  
Hanner Griffen Hembree  
Betty High Rounds  
Martha Hoover  
Carolina Hubert  
Eleanor Jarrel Ray  
Barbara Kallenbach Hawley  
Janice Kennedy Lahey  
Paige Lovell Thomas  
Brenda Marlove Bennett  
Linda Martin Davis  
Janet Maulden Magaldi  
Ann McClintock Coffey  
Mary Mead  
Margaret Merritt Cooke  
Alice Montgomery Matthews  
Sandra Myers Basinger  
Diane Oliver  
Patsy Parker Ridenhour  
Gail Pate  
Ruth Patton Garand  
Ann Pennington Martin  
Mary Poole Boyer  
Brenda Powell Brendle  
Patricia Roberts Wolfe  
Ima Spencer Willett  
Susan Starling Sink  
Elaine Taru Overby  
Harriet Thompson McNaivy  
Ann Vanderburg Fisher  
Mattie Wilkerson Samuelson  
Louise Winecott Ward

Help Find “Lost” Classmates

Despite the best continuing efforts of UNCG’s alumni office, some of our classmates have moved and we have “lost” their contact information. If you know anything (e-mail address, telephone number(s), home or business address) for any of the people on this list, please send what you have to Melissa Potter in the alumni office (mlpotte2@uncg.edu or 336.334.4024), so that the person may be added to our lists and we hope, attend our reunion. Thank you so much for your help.

Judith Anapol  
Myra Baer Dorros  
Amelia Brookshire Sherer-Simpson  
Betty Calloway Ehle  
Mary Capehart Valand  
Dixie Couch  
Peggy Davis Langdon  
Sara Dillingham Burell  
Berta Epstein  
Mary Farrington Gosney  
Frances Fickling Ross  
Cynthia Fite Bailey  
Antoinette Foster Thompson  
Patricia Garren Oates  
Carol Grayson  
Sylvia Griffin Coble  
Jane Grossnickle Guptill  
Linda Grubb Smith  
Betty Harris  
Joan Harris Rosensweig  
Betty-Jean Hartsell Sowers  
Maxie Hayes Fritts  
Sallie Hitchcock Straub  
Mary Hontz  
Linda Houser Rhyme  
Mary Hunter Owen  
Patsy Hurdle Byrum  
Anne James Ramos  
Empress Jones Vick  
Karolyn Jones Gibeau  
Rose Killian Smith  
Margaret King Swaim  
Donna Lane Cloninger

Ellen Levin  
Judith Levin Rosenstein  
Carol Lilliendahl Chambers  
Martha Lineberger Eskridge  
Joan McCrady Caldwell  
Eleanor McCrey Brunson  
Mary Miller Goslen  
Sandra Miller Prucha  
Mary Morris Ewing  
Martha Parker Wheeler  
Jacqueline Pittman  
Patricia Poston Gibson  
Alpha Poyner Crisp  
Lorna Sand  
Josephine Sharpe Brewton  
Jacqueline Simmons Gore  
Ellen Smith Weber  
Barbara Smolen Burkhart  
Ida Snyder  
Susanne Somers Quilici  
Pamela Spessard Burdette  
Clary Stimson Killian  
Willa Tate Greene  
Prudence Thomson  
Gail Thompson  
Sue Varner Rizzi  
Linda Watts Stamey  
Judith Wearne  
Irene White  
Barbara Wilkinson Cornell  
Alice Williams Crawford  
Juanita Woodhouse Blair

Special thanks to Rebecca Barham Harris for the Class of 1964 banner design which will appear on all of our reunion publications.

Do You Have an E-mail Address?

If you are reading a paper copy of this newsletter, it's because the UNCG alumni office does not have an e-mail address for you. If you have one, please send an e-mail to Anne Prince Cuddy (cuddych@nc.rr.com) and she will notify the alumni office which will send further information about the reunion as the date approaches.

We hope her inbox will be full!
Class of ‘64 Remembered

We were destined to be remembered...our class color was lavender, but our class jacket was gray. We had two class songs and a rousing Junior Show that I can recall vividly even now (owing mainly to a batch of Junior Show photographs I recently unearthed from my UNCG stash).

Much like an archaeological dig, I delved through layers of memories triggered by the usual things: a Class Day program, a copy of "The Carolinian," class ring and "Rat Day" treasures like a bobby pin bent to represent motorcycle handle bars so we could say "vroom vroom" to demanding upperclassmen. Does anybody remember how we made mouse ears?!?

Along the way, I found more memorabilia from a wonderful, wacky freshman year in Gray Hall: a copy of "Catcher in the Rye" - a literary life-changing revelation that led me to immerse myself in Salinger works all that year and in years to come; a program from a beauty pageant in an N.C. town where one of our quite cerebral classmates was named first runner-up; a Kennedy campaign button which evoked a mind's-eye photograph of our entire dorm population crammed into our parlor to watch the Kennedy-Nixon debates.

I wish I could say I had a napkin from the Yum Yum or an old Coke cup from the Soda Shop, but maybe YOU DO! So, if you are prepared for a deluge of memories, attack your WC/UNCG treasure trove and share those treasures with all of us at our 50th reunion in 2014.

Memorabilia can include copies of Coraddi, pictures of favorite profs, photos of now departed Kirkland and Woman's dorms, shots taken at The Corner or of hi-jinks with fellow dorm-mates. Anything and everything that evokes memories of your college experience are our definition of memorabilia.

Items you would like to have returned, but are willing to display at the reunion, can be brought to Greensboro with you, and you can take them home afterwards. We will have a parlor in Elliott Hall (now enlarged into Elliott University Center) just for our class to meet, relax and display whatever we want, our home away from home during the reunion.

We remain your devoted classmates and members of the memorabilia committee: Rachel Spradley Parker, Judy Mock, Glenda Sutton Burgin and Sharon Bristol.

Class of 1964 20th Reunion, 1984

Pictured, left to right
Row 1: Phyllis Thompson, Isabel Walker Harrar, Julia Renegar Broome, Sue Latham Stevenson, Carol Jones Pope, Margaret Inman Hedgecoe
Row 2: Judy Stone Miller, Marjorie Spangler Porter, Nancy Edwards McCollum, Happy Harris Waller, Elizabeth Reed, Curry Kirk Walker, Donna Allsbrook Brock
Row 3: Elizabeth Doggett Hickmon, Jean Abernethy Poston, Michale Karnes Connelly, Virginia Lowe Allred, Kay Womack Varsamis, Cynthia Davis Hassell, Sharon Bristol
Do You Remember?

- being smitten with handsome chancellor Otis Singletary
- very few student cars on campus
- The Yum Yum
- Junior Show
- class rings
- gray class jackets
- Mrs. Adams making her rounds in her pink smock
- Bubble gum
- doing the limbo and the twist
- Elliott Hall formal dances on the beautiful parquet floor
- Brownhills on Tate Street

- attendance taken at required mass meetings
- Junior Advisors
- carrying our textbooks (no backpacks then!)
- Never locking our dorm rooms
- Dorm rooms without air conditioning
- Daisy Chain
- Coke in glass bottles
- piling all our Coke bottles on Mrs. Adams lawn
- dissecting frogs and worms
- manual typewriters
- setting up pins in bowling class
- Sister Day
- riding a school bus to student teacher assignments
- Senior Marshalls
- Junior Marshalls
- “The Greensboro Four” and our courageous classmates who supported them
- Body Mechanics
- Hair Dryers with bonnets
- Bad turkey tetrazzini causing lines in the bathrooms at 3 a.m.
- Cafeteria riot over something about food or proposed changes that would affect students
- smoking in our rooms

- Ice/snow being so bad that classes were cancelled for the day
- Buses picking us up to attend church and church members bringing us back to campus
- Walking downtown on West Market Street
- Men in classes our senior year
- Those wonderfully comfortable platform beds in Spencer dormitories
- Being lucky enough to have found an empty small parlor at the end of an evening out