



March 2018

Dear Class of **2008**:

Believe it or not, it will be time to return to Salem in just a few short months to celebrate your **10th Reunion!** Your Reunion Weekend Leadership Team, **Lauren Cole Branyon (lauren.e.cole@comcast.net)**, **Anne Donovan (anne.alexander.donovan@gmail.com)**, **Stevie Blackwell Bechtel (bechtel.stephanie@gmail.com)**, and **Jackie Mathis (jacquelinemathis@gmail.com)**, have been busy planning your reunion and cannot wait to see you on Salem's campus April 27-29, 2018. Enclosed you will find a schedule of Reunion Weekend activities, a registration form, and other helpful information. We're going to start things off on Friday night with the Reunion Weekend Kick-off Party in Bryant Hall. The band, *The Black and Blue Experience*, will be playing and there will be all the great Salem food you love! At the luncheon on Saturday, you will hear the latest information from the Alumnae Association and will take pride in presenting your class gift. You will also be able to congratulate your Salem Sisters who are receiving alumnae awards. Don't miss this special luncheon! Reserve your spot no later than April 6, 2017 in order to guarantee your spot at the table with your classmates.

Your Saturday night gathering will be held from 5:00-7:00pm at Wiseman Brewing (dinner or appetizers). The address is 826 Angelo Brothers Avenue, Winston-Salem, NC 27101. The cost will be as much or as little as you choose. Please RSVP to Lauren Branyon by email, call, or text (coleae8@gmail.com 610-836-2624). Wiseman Brewing has outdoor and indoor seating, and is family friendly. Significant others and family members are welcome! There are arcade games, cornhole, food trucks, and beer and wine available for purchase. Please feel free to stay later than 7:00 pm or take a walk downtown to see all of the new restaurants and bars.

If you haven't done so already, please remember to include a gift or pledge for the Salem College Fund with your registration form. Since it is your reunion year, please try to give as large a gift as you're comfortable with, but the amount of each individual gift is not as important as your participation! A gift of any amount will help Salem and increase your class giving participation percentage. To give online, visit purpose.salem.edu/give. Please be generous this year in honor of Salem and your reunion. Remember: five-year pledges count toward your total class gift presented at the Reunion Weekend luncheon so consider making a multi-year commitment. In addition, if you make a gift of \$240 or more this fiscal year, you will be invited to the special Society Donor Breakfast at the President's house.

Now is the time to get on Facebook and the phone, and to fire up your email account! Contact all of your Salem friends and encourage them to make a special effort to attend reunion from April 27-29. Remind them that you only have a reunion every five years! We hope you are excited to see Salem's amazing campus and all of your classmates.

See you in April,

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