



Greetings, '86 Classmates!

As this crazy year winds down, most of us hope 2021 will offer a fresh start. The 1986 Reunion committee is working up some excellent plans, and we're optimistic about the coming year. We still don't know whether the College can host Reunion in person. We should know by February. Until then, we're focused on ways to connect right now. Over the next few months, we'll roll out large and small opportunities to gather, leading to Reunion weekend in June.

Share your story in the Bio Book.

We want to know what you're up to, and filling in the [Bio Book](#) is the perfect place to start. Even if you've been out of touch, we'd love to hear from you. We hope our questions spark answers that are fun to write and share. Feel free to offer whatever level of detail feels comfortable. This is a chance for us to start getting re- or newly-acquainted.

Interest group gatherings.

Let's gather via Zoom in small, informal groups, focused on specific interests or topics. Anyone can organize and lead a group. We'll post and maintain a calendar, so people can see what's going on and decide what to join. These can be one-time meetups or regularly scheduled gatherings. It's up to you. Travel, cooking, music, hobbies, sports —what would you like to talk to like-minded classmates about? We've had a couple folks step forward already, one eager to convene sci-fi fans and one hoping to gather the knitters. Anything is fair game. To start a group, contact [Janet Yeracaris](#) or [Leah Golden](#), and we'll help you make it happen.

All-class gatherings and presentations.

We're setting up several virtual all-class events for the months leading to Reunion. These will be TED-style talks (like at Reunion 2016), panels with classmates who are doing interesting work, recitals, and other presentations. We've got some great programs already in the works, but we'd love your input. If you have ideas, or want to volunteer yourself or a classmate, please reach out to [Maureen Mischinski](#). We'll keep you posted as specific plans develop.

Trivia Night is coming!

Carleton will host a Nationwide Trivia night on February 13, 2021, at 3:00 pm CT. We want to field a class team, and we'll need a team captain to lead the charge. If you're up for that job, please contact [Leah Golden](#). For now, put the date on your calendar. We'll share more about how to join Team '86 in January.

Check out the class website.

This will be in every email we send. Our [class website](#) is our Reunion hub, with links to our class Facebook page, Zoobook, schedule (once we have one), and other resources. Keep Reunion weekend on your calendars: June 17-20, 2021. We'll be in touch as the details evolve.

All the best to you and yours as 2020 comes to a close. It's the end of the world as we know it, and we feel fine!

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On behalf of the 1986 Reunion Committee



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