

## **Please tell us why you enjoyed Reunion:**

reconnecting with friends, exploring the campus (so much is so new)

I enjoyed every minute...being with old and new friends, walking around the spectacular campus, and being inspired by the energy and experiences of the sea of Wellesley women. Opportunity to catch up with old friends, as well as meet some new ones (or rather ones we didn't remember as well!). Loved hearing Madeleine Albright, and the various topical sessions were great, as always.

Catching up with friends, reconnecting with acquaintances and discovering some are now friends, talking to those I never knew while at school.... Hearing Madeline Albright speak, being surrounded by people who are thinking about things that MATTER and how to make them better.... Being on campus, what sold me on Wellesley at first. (I knew I wanted to go to a women's college.)

It was great to catch up with close friends (those I've kept up with since college), reconnect with campus friends, and make new friends of people I either had never known, or only knew slightly (and didn't really interact with on campus). Something about being almost 47 erases all the old social stigmas. They don't matter so much--we've all been through many things since those post-high school years.

I loved getting to see old friends, some I had not seen for these past 25 years... being back on campus, staying in the dorms (some of which was remarkably challenging but nonetheless fun), and trying to jam all manner of activity into too brief a time (my one and only complaint aside from weather - which I assume none of us has any direct control over). sharing our breakfast dining hall with the 50th reunion class was for me very cool, and being practically in TCE (my senior dorm) was very cool, too! being back at Wellesley really reminded me of just how special a college/place it is and how incredibly fortunate I am to have had such an experience as that (those four years and even that brief weekend) the connections with other Wellesley women, even if no contact for so long, the shared stuff... the incredible amount of sheer intelligence and vitality!!! all of these things created a weekend that I shall never forget, and hopefully, I will never miss another reunion (this was my first!) my one hope might be for a way for the college to open up one more night for us to stay one day longer... it felt too short and I know folks try to make it doable for all, but perhaps there can be an added night/half day where there is really nothing planned and even if only cafeteria meals were available I think we would relish the idea of sitting in the dining halls lingering over a meal and just having great conversation!!! thank you so much for all the work that all the volunteers did/do to make all of this possible!!!!

Being on campus. Seeing old friends and making new ones. Feeling reconnected to a place that gave me strength then and still does. Dancing!!!! Talking!!!!!! Feeling the class come together, especially when they spontaneously decided to make a donation in memory of our deceased classmates. Realizing that I'm not alone in trying to figure out what's next in these late middle aged years.

I enjoyed reconnecting with friends and catching up on lives.

I enjoyed visiting with friends and seeing the campus.

I enjoyed the opportunity to reconnect with friends and the college.

I loved seeing everyone and the whole weekend was fun.

Getting to show my family around campus, enjoyed hearing Madeleine Albright speak, loved reconnecting with old friends.

Seeing our classmates--that was most certainly the highlight. But the Sat Party was great fun too.

The large number of women who attended from our class was wonderful and inspiring. The stories that everyone had to share and the willingness to share them..I don't remember a reunion where I felt so connected to people before. The unbelievable variety of experiences, interests, highs, lows, etc. was incREDible. And lastly, the energy level and sheer party spirit that just seemed to spontaneously combust whenever 3 or more people from the class came together as a group. I am pretty sure we were the rowdiest class in the parade...and everyone seemed to love it.

Great '84 party on Saturday night + Madeleine's talk.

Great to see the campus and get a chance to reconnect with some people. the talk from M Albright was a real plus thanks for the successful week end

Catching up with old friends; dancing, laughing, and having fun; visiting the campus and seeing how it has grown and changed; and attending interesting, thought-provoking and inspirational events.

The panel discussion on being 46/47 was the highlight - I felt engaged both intellectually and emotionally.

I loved being reconnected with the mission of Wellesley which helped me not only to feel good about having attended the college, but caused me to reflect deeply on the impact of my Wellesley education on the development of who I am as a person and as an educator, myself. Of course, I loved seeing my old friends, some of whom I haven't seen since our 10th reunion. And I loved sharing it all with my daughter and husband.

saw many friends and made a couple of new ones.

It was really great to see old friends and get to know other classmates better. It was also very good to hear others discussing challenges in their lives- it made me feel less alone with my own issues.

I enjoyed: -seeing my classmates. Some I hadn't seen since graduation! Also, being back on campus I somehow felt in touch again with a piece of me there and who I was then. All of it together- the buildings, trees, lake and the women- brought a sense of coming home. -the lectures, but also the freedom to play outside or whatever. -the traditions, especially the parade. -dancing and partying with classmates Saturday night!

It was wonderful to see my old, close friends. It was also great to connect with people I hadn't known as well or haven't kept in touch with over the past 25 years. I also really enjoyed the opportunity to be on campus with all the other Wellesley women. The events were well planned and fun. Saturday night's dinner in particular was outstanding - food great, well executed, dancing a blast, terrific that Campus Police let us keep the party going late. Also gave me an opportunity to think about where I am with my life and friendships now and what direction I'd like to go.

It was family outing as I had three children with me. The campus was beautiful: we went to a lecture (art history), the library book arts room to work on a printing press, went to the greenhouses (AWESOME for parents and kids), walk through the arboretum, spent time in the Wang center, the kids swam in the pool. Loved the dinner in the tent too. We were not able to go the parade because of another commitment.

I loved spending time chatting and catching up with old friends with whom I had lost contact.

I love seeing old friends. I wish I had more time for lectures and tours because I always enjoy them.

- The salmon at every meal (my kids hate fish, I had to stock up :-)  
- the fantastic women in our class  
- getting to hear Madeleine Albright  
- making new friends among the fantastic women in our class  
- hearing & sharing in the Saturday am panel discussion  
- the record book  
- the class events

I thought I would know only a couple people there. But I was surprise to find more people that I know there.

It was great seeing old classmates / acquaintances, etc. I thought the Class Meeting was well led (congrats to all involved) and really enjoyed the panel discussion (transitions)...wish there had been even more! Was glad to get a refund on the Class Book, and was also pleased that the red beads were not very expensive (although, I must admit -- the HAT from the 20th reunion was super, high quality and very practical)! :-)

I met more people from my class at Reunion than I think I met during my years at Wellesley. I felt I had so much to learn from the experiences and perspectives my classmates shared. Mostly, it was nice to be surrounded by so many people who share a fondness for our alma mater!

weather was good and had time to spend at the lake and reflect on things. good to see other folks but still too competitive. looking forward to when we are all too old to worry about such things.

Beautiful weather, beautiful campus, beautiful scaffolding around Severance! It is the best way to see most of my Wellesley friends at once. Everything was well-organized, the ask-me's were awesome. Even my 15-year-old daughter had fun.

Enjoyed the availability of family-friendly activities and seeing old friends, of course.

- Spending time with dear friends  
- Reconnecting with classmates  
- Enjoying the beautiful campus and exploring what's new  
- Learning about the Albright Institute and hearing Madeline's take on foreign policy issues of today  
- Dancing on Saturday night!

Seeing friends, reconnecting with old friends, beautiful campus. Sharing life stories, dancing, hanging out together.

Seeing old friends, making new friends Reminded of how proud I am of the school, and of my class mates & school mates

I got to see lots of old friends in lots of old hangouts. I also made new friends

-- reconnecting with old friends -- meeting classmates for the first time

I have been fortunate to attend most of our class reunions and have enjoyed the experience immensely. Reconnecting with dear friends and making new ones is a highlight. I am particularly grateful for the opportunity to share candid reflections about my life (both the great and the gritty!). I share with many a profound sense of renewal following each reunion.

Good to see old friends and make some new ones. A chance to pause and reassess life.

It was great to reconnect with friends, see the campus. Energizing and inspiring to hear of classmates' life experiences.

It was fun to see a few old friends, and to get a sense of where people are in their lives now. I also enjoyed the faculty lectures.

Well, of course connecting with long lost friends was the best part. There was also a nice mix of programming, and I thought the meals in general were good as was the evening party.

It was wonderful being able to reconnect with my former classmates I knew from my Wellesley days and to connect with many whom I didn't know at Wellesley. I enjoyed the panel discussion on Saturday morning and would have liked more time there, perhaps even to be able to have attended both (I only attended the one on transitions.) Our party Saturday night was the best! Which was obvious since it was crashed by so many other classes, which I really didn't mind, but would have preferred if we had stuck to the original earlier ending time (I know I could have left early, but some of the good songs hadn't been played yet - in favor of some of the other class's song requests - and I understand those who did leave early could hear us in Severance anyways). The food and drink were lovely - obviously high-quality - someone clearly put a lot of thought, time and effort into that and I appreciate that. (The whoopie pies Friday night were delicious!)

It was great to see Wellesley again and to reconnect with old friends. The campus has changed so much (for the better). I really enjoyed the Saturday night dinner and the parade!

I enjoyed connecting with people whom I hadn't seen in many years and making new connections with other people.

I enjoyed seeing my classmates, the lectures and Madeline Albright's talk!

seeing old friends

Meeting friends from 25 years ago I hadn't seen or talked with since. Meeting classmates I hadn't met before. Realizing that I come from a group of truly extraordinary, and simultaneously, quite "normal" class, who have struggled, achieved, and lived very diverse lives. This inspired me to continue on with renewed efforts to make my life more worthwhile to the planet, and to realize that, despite my personal obstacles, I am truly capable of more than I am doing right now. The reunion helped me regain confidence in my abilities as part of our class.

I loved seeing and reconnecting with old friends and classmates. The campus looked especially beautiful as well.

The campus looked great, there were interesting presentations, and seeing old friends was the best part.

fun to see my friends and others. the reunion was v. well organized -- interesting classes, etc.

Of course, it's nice to catch up with old friends. In addition, however, it's good to be reminded about the invaluable resource Wellesley can be for all of us. I realized I should be making much more use of the connections, resources, information and facilities available to me as a local Alum. And, I feel especially blessed to share a reunion cycle with Madeline Albright and Hillary Clinton. Aside from bragging rights, I value having these supremely accomplished women as role models.

A great chance to see old friends from near and far.

It was great to see my friends and classmates I hadn't seen in a long time. It was fun for my daughter to see Wellesley up close and visit some of my favorite spots on campus with her. The Saturday night dinner was a blast, particularly dancing to our old favorites.

It was wonderful to see old friends. The food was good. I enjoyed the panel I attended (Panel 1 on Saturday). I like the changes to the campus (the last reunion I attended was in 1999). The Wang Center is a wonderful design.

Seeing all of my old friends, talking, catching up, Saturday night dinner was great, it was all really lovely.

I loved seeing classmates -- even people I hadn't communicated with since we graduated. Also our class party was great -- Second favorite thing was the lectures and faculty presentations.

Great seeing women I knew and didn't know, my age, with whom I have a connection and realizing how diverse a group we are!

I didn't attend much of it - just the Saturday lunch and dinner, but was glad to see so many of my classmates in attendance. I also had a chance to speak to very interesting classmates I had never met before. The 25th is a good time for people to open up and share a bit of themselves -- good and bad. In that respect, I enjoyed it more than earlier reunions that I attended.

I loved seeing everyone, being back on campus and taking pride in our lives and accomplishments - big, small, perceived and unsung. I wished we had had an extra day and more unstructured time to talk. I felt everyone was very authentic - and for the most part, happy and peaceful.

Meeting up with people that I have not seen in ages Touring the campus Becoming involved in a new way with the College

My first reunion in 10 years! Great connecting with old friends and meeting new ones. Fantastic Saturday party!

It was wonderful reconnecting with friends, participate in step-singing and the parade, walk around the lake, and just revisit all those special places on campus.

As I have at previous reunions, I relished the opportunity to spend time with hundreds of amazing women -- some friends from years ago, others I'd just met. Dancing for hours on Saturday night was a highlight -- I can't remember the last time I danced for so long.

Party Saturday night was fun. Madeline's talk was great. Economics panel was also terrific - star faculty are great reminder of Wellesley's intellectual rigor. Seeing "friends" - very few of my true friends from college days return for reunion, but enjoy seeing the few who do, and have enjoyed getting to know others better than when we were at school. Durant reception at President's house was a great kickoff.

Seeing friends, festive nature of event, staying in dorms, close friends came for the first time, Madeline Albright speech (and talking to her), the great class panels, the art museum reception.

great to see everybody and see what people are up to. Wonderful party. Fun to go back in time!

It was well publicized & organized. The food was good (except the turkey sandwich in the Sunday box lunch...the meat was too salty. but the brownie was terrific). The student support staff were helpful. Of course, it was terrific to see old friends and have time to get to know classmates I didn't know back in 1980-1984.

It was great to see friends and catch up

visiting with 25+-year friends visiting with classmates with whom I had not been close, but enjoyed seeing celebrating the successes of our class - health, attendance, generosity being on the beautiful campus spending an overnight in the dorm with my 11-year-old daughter hearing Madeleine Albright speak enjoying sports center facilities with my family

It was great to see people. Also, the workshops I attended were very good. (careers, digital libraries, and Madeleine Albright).

Fairly good turnout. Relaxed format. The party Saturday night everybody let loose and could be themselves. As a 47 year old, it's hard to have a nearly all girl party like that, and it was terrific. My 9 year old daughter really loved participating. We canoed together twice; she swam in the lake. We talked a lot about what college is like. That was very special to share Wellesley with her.

Catching up with classmates. Seeing the beautiful campus again. Particularly enjoyed dancing to all the 80s music Saturday night and seeing the alumna from the class of '29 in the parade.

It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with people who impacted my life while I was at school and to renew our friendships. It was nice to be 19 again for a weekend.

The campus is beautiful in June. All the members of the fencing team from the class of '84 came. My former suite-mate and roommates were there. A couple of old friends I hadn't seen in years were there. It was nice to get a general feel for where we all are in life now- a lot less judgmental, more supportive. Lovely to hear the former Secretary of State speak, and to watch the current one stroll around campus.

Seeing people, walking the campus, taking some time to reflect about life.

I liked seeing some of my classmates. I love spending time on the campus without the pressure of being a student.

I loved all of it (almost!) - classmates, discussion, step singing, Saturday dinner, Gloria, dancing, parade, etc etc