

Somerville 50th Anniversary Reunion

Matriculation Year 1968

Our Lives So Far

Dear Somervillian from 1968,

This letter comes to you as part of the preparation for our 50th Anniversary reunion in College on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th September 2018. A small group of us has begun to plan an interesting couple of days and we do hope you like the idea and will want to attend.

A booklet of 'Our Lives So Far' (biographies) has been well-received at recent reunions so we, Olwen Curry (nee Lloyd), Alison Dunn and Sonja Ruehl, have agreed to prepare one for our year.

This letter is to ask you to write a short contribution about yourself. These will be put into a booklet for us all to read and keep as a memory, both of our time at Somerville and of our 50th reunion.

Some guidelines to help you:

- length 300-400 words and photographs of you then (if possible) and now;
- please send photos digitally: you can scan the 1968 version and we presume the most recent one will be digital anyway;
- write informally as if you were speaking to us;
- write about any aspects of life since Somerville: home and work, any community involvement, travels or moves, changes or developments of your interests and opinions. We are not just interested in amazing successes in life, although these are interesting. ALL lives and experiences will be worth reading about, being your personal selection and emphasis on the events of your life since Somerville;
- you can include a bit about your life before university, as well as what you are doing now, and any hopes/plans for the future;
- it would be interesting to read any reflections you want to share now, about your time at Somerville and how, if at all, the experience affected your life subsequently.

Please email your piece and photograph **by the end of April, preferably to all three of us**. We will, of course, consult you if we have any changes to suggest to your piece. A printed copy of the booklet will be available free to those attending the reunion. An e-mail copy will be sent to all members of our year.

We very much look forward to hearing from you and to meeting up in September.

With best wishes from,

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PS. College has lost contact with a number of people in our year; there is a list of them on the College website. If you are in touch with any of them please encourage them to contact us or Liz Cooke (elizabeth.cooke@some.ox.ac.uk) so that we can include them in the reunion.