
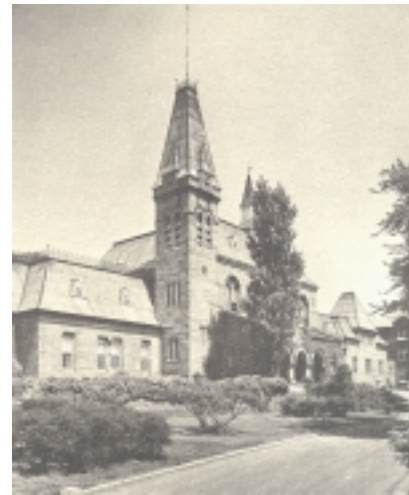
 **1975-2000** 

**CLASS OF 1975
SILVER ANNIVERSARY
REUNION**



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Dr. Edward C. Merrill, Jr.
Gallaudet President during 1970-1975

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To Members of the Class of 1975,

I am pleased to send my best wishes to the Class of 1975 on the occasion of your silver anniversary Class Reunion! These events are always strong reminders of how quickly the years pass. I know many of you will be surprised and delighted to renew old friendships and rekindle memories of the time you spent together. As you revisit your years together at Gallaudet, I hope you will find that you have much to share and to give to each other.

Even though it has been twenty-five years since your graduation, I know many of you have stayed in touch or thought about your classmates from time to time. We Gallaudet alumni are a close-knit group of people with a strong sense of pride in our alma mater.

I am delighted to welcome you to campus to rekindle the past, share in the present, and look forward with us to the future. I know that, while the campus has changed, you will find the heart of Gallaudet – our programs, our students, our community – is as vibrant and vital as ever.

I hope you each enjoy your silver anniversary Class Reunion and the opportunity it gives you to revisit the many memories you have of your days at Gallaudet.

Sincerely,

I. King Jordan, '70
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Greetings to the Members of the Class of 1975!

On behalf of the Gallaudet University Alumni Association, the Board of Directors joins me in extending congratulations to the Class of 1975 on the occasion of an exciting milestone -- your **Silver Anniversary!**

The campus community is delighted to welcome you back home, 25 years following your graduation from Gallaudet University! Your class reunion is a special celebration and you have a great deal to share with each other. As you reminisce and discover the familiar - and the new! - around Kendall Green, you will experience the same ranges of emotion and nostalgia that are shared by generations of Gallaudet alumni. We are part of the Gallaudet legacy and that is certainly something to be very proud of!

This is your celebration. This is your year -- a year that comes but once in a lifetime. Cherish your time with each other and celebrate the Gallaudet spirit with students and fellow alumni. Enjoy yourselves and have a wonderful reunion!

Best wishes!

Sincerely,

Gerald "Bummy" Burstein, '50
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An Open Letter from the Chair

Dear Classmates,

On behalf of the Class of '75 Reunion Committee and Gallaudet University Alumni Association staff, this is a very special occasion as we are celebrating our reunion during the millennium. I wish to extend warm welcome to each of you. It is my great pleasure to have you here for the 1st Reunion of the 21st century ever! I hope you enjoy your Silver (25th) Anniversary reunion while we share our memories, chitchat, take pictures, attend the Homecoming events, and many more!

It is hard to believe that we are now in the 21st Century; we have been planning the reunion for over two years. I want to give special appreciation and thanks to the committee members. We've all worked many hours to make sure everyone here will have a great experience to remember for years to come!

We have seen too many changes since we left Gallaudet. We now have the Internet technology, which keeps us close in touch by e-mails, e-groups, chat room, website, and pager. I'm proud to be a member of Class of 1975 - the best Class ever at Gallaudet!

I want to thank you all for coming to the reunion, and giving support and donations. Please make sure to give the Reunion committee members a big round of applause for making this Reunion the best ever.

Enjoy a fabulous Homecoming & Reunion weekend! Hugs.

Yours 75erly,

Kathleen Seymour





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Gallaudet Homecoming 2000

Dear 75'ers:

No one has to remind us of the excitement that we are having this year! Yet as excited as we are, Class of 1975 epitomizes the kind of leader Gallaudet University was created to applaud. We represent a generation of Deaf Americans who are making a difference in this country and abroad

So it is fitting that, as we celebrate our 25th anniversary with Gallaudet, we have come across an important milestone, along with our contributions that are dedicated to Gallaudet and to Deaf people all over the world.

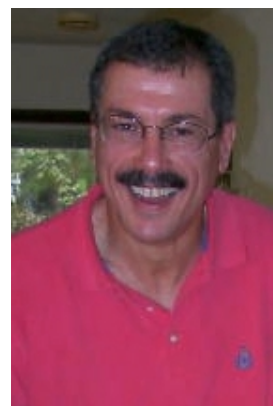
Yet, coming back "home" to Gallaudet is symbolic of the ways in which all our lives are changing. When we first came to Gallaudet more than 25 years ago, everything seemed so much simpler. Now, with every miracle of this techno/electro age, we have come to a different level of complexity. Are we doing too much? Have too much? Where do we cut back and simplify? Can we?

Granted, 1975 was a banner year that has had a profound effect on our lives. We certainly have elevated Gallaudet's values by serving others. That's simple enough!

Let's just capture the sheer joy of coming back home...to Gallaudet. Hail to the Red, White, and Blue banner that presents a Deaf quality we bring to the world!

With love,

Eddy F. Laird
President
Class of 1975



GALLAUDET COLLEGE



BISON SONG



Alan Barwiolek & Billie Jordan

Hail to our mighty Bison
Spirit and hail to our Gallaudet flag
Its color Buff and Blue

All our enemies are afraid of our "Gallaudet" boys
Cuz our "Gallaudet" boys give them
Damn, damn, damn, hell, hell, hell

See how our tall, short, fat, thin
Fast, slow, ugly, good looking bisons
And how our Gallaudet flag
Its color Buff and Blue

Challenge, challenge the world its four corners
While fight aimly fight to pull the group through
Even though, our "Gallaudet" boys hit, hit
Frustrated, frustrated, slump, slump

What if our victory seems look not possible
WAIT, WAIT, WAIT, our "Gallaudet" boys are
Willing to fight stubborn fight from sunrise to sunset

So, hail to our mighty Bison
Spirit and hail to our Gallaudet flag
Its color well naturally Buff and Blue

Our boys ready group line go
Referee blow, boys hear?? No! Deaf!
And yet, we all cooperate, cooperate, cooperate,
Yell, yell, yell to support our group through!

-George Johnson, Revised in ASL

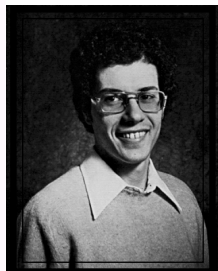
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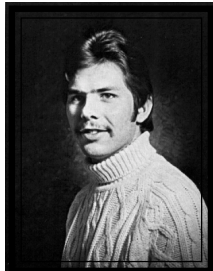
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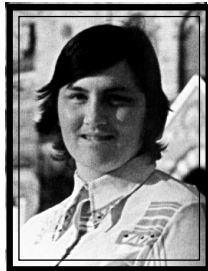
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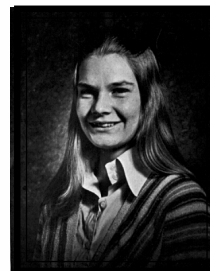
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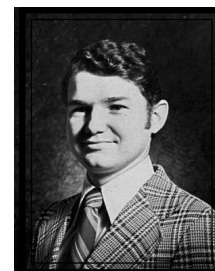
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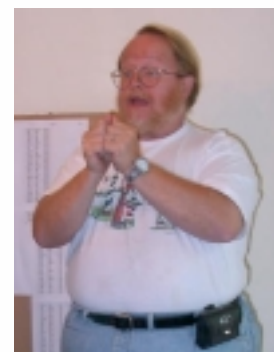
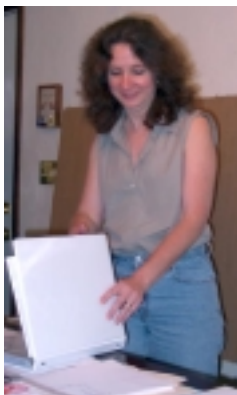
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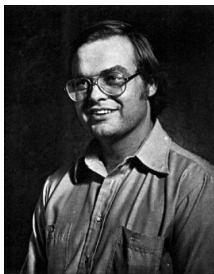
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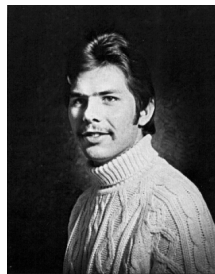




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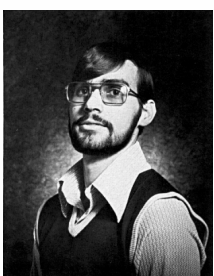
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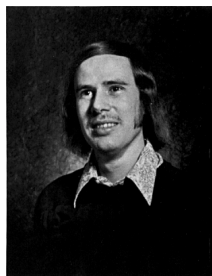
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