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Dear Classmates,

Our Patronus is the hornet, an orange and black one, at that. Our houses were not Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw and Slytherin, but rather Trowbridge, Dewaters, Hober and Severn. Instead of Dumbledore, we had Barclay, Griffin, Seuss, and Moffit. Everyone had their Room of Requirement. And there were a few Voldemort moments to contend with.

If you got any of those references, you’ll see where I’m going with this bit of Harry Potter-inspired gimmickry. It’s time to head back to our own Hogwarts, nestled in the rolling hills of western Michigan. It has been 25 years since the spell of a liberal arts education was cast upon us all, and it wasn’t a jinx, hex or curse. It was a blessing.


If you’ve mastered Apparition then focus your mind on the Quad come Oct. 20-21. Failing that, fly or drive. Bring memories for the Pensieve, or, failing that, some pictures of your progeny, or even kids themselves. Don’t worry if you didn’t do so well in Advanced Potions class -- we can come up with some of those down at the Three Broomsticks, er, Bell’s.

Online registration -- no quill and parchment for us, thank you -- begins in September at kzoo.edu/homecoming. Go to kzoo.edu/reunion and check out the Class of 1992 page for updates.

If you chuckled a bit -- or rolled your eyes -- at this bit of DOGGEREL then perhaps you, too, have read wizarding tales to your kids at bedtime. Perhaps you devoured the books yourself. Perhaps you’ve been dragged off to Potter movies. Or maybe the mere mention of this cloyingly sweet, pint-sized magician makes you want to scream as though tormented by Dementors. That’s entirely fair.

No matter. K was magical. The reunion will be as well.

All best,

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