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Dear 2012 Classmates,

Has it really been FIVE years? As you’ve probably realized, our first big reunion is this October and it’s time to start planning. Below is a list of tips and tidbits to prepare for a fun weekend on campus reconnecting with our class and the greater K community!

- **Save the dates of October 20-22, 2017.** Start making your travel arrangements and, if you won’t be crashing on a couch, book your hotel room soon! You can find a list of hotel room blocks at [kzoo.edu/homecoming](http://kzoo.edu/homecoming).

- **Share your creative ideas for reunion events.** The College and your class agents will coordinate a K ‘12 class photo and our Saturday night reunion, along with other Homecoming Weekend activities. How would you like to spend additional time with our classmates? Please call or email us with your ideas. Updates regarding our class reunion will be posted as our weekend plans are confirmed at [kzoo.edu/reunion](http://kzoo.edu/reunion).

- **Arrive early on Friday and connect with students.** Remember that alumni who gave you the kernel of advice or the seed of a connection that blossomed into your current career? Now you can be that helpful alumni! Share your educational and/or professional path with current K students at the Homecoming Connection Reception from 5-7 p.m. on Friday, October 20. **PRO TIP:** The Center for Career and Professional Development is encouraging students to meet alumni throughout Homecoming weekend, and you’ll make it easier for interested students to reach out by updating your profile in the Alumni Directory. Go to [kzoo.edu/alumnidirectory](http://kzoo.edu/alumnidirectory), log in, and make sure your contact and professional information is up-to-date.

- **Share a reunion update with our class.** You’re invited to write a message to our class and include any information you would like to share, whether it be about your family, work, vacations, hobbies, or your favorite K memory. Our messages will be compiled into a reunion e-book and shared via email with the class. **Even if you can’t join us on campus, we’d love to hear from you.** You will find the form to share an update online at [kzoo.edu/reunionupdate](http://kzoo.edu/reunionupdate).

- **Join the Facebook group.** Go to [facebook.com/groups/KClassof2012](http://facebook.com/groups/KClassof2012). While it’s been on a bit of a hiatus, the Facebook group can be a great way to connect with the class at-large by discussing our reunion plans.

- **Take the Reunion Giving Challenge.** Many, if not most of us, were at K in significant part because of the generosity of others. As we celebrate our first big reunion year, please pass on the good juju with a gift (**big or small**) for scholarships, faculty excellence, or K’s greatest needs. Last year 29 alumni in our class gave $1,745.52. Let’s see if we increase our number of donors to 50 this year in honor of our five-year reunion. The challenge runs from July 1, 2017 — June 30, 2018. For more information, visit [kzoo.edu/giving/reunion](http://kzoo.edu/giving/reunion).
Please check your email and the homecoming website for reunion updates in the months to come. **Online registration opens at the beginning of September.** In the meantime, check out kzoo.edu/takeabite to view bite-sized volunteer and giving opportunities to engage with the College and current students!

We can’t wait to see you in October!

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