

# REUNION & COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

MAY 21–24, 2009

## WEEKEND HIGHLIGHTS AND CLASS-SPECIFIC EVENTS

### CLASS OF 1979

Only select activities of special interest to your class are listed here. Pick up a final brochure at Registration (Usdan University Center) when you arrive on campus or visit <http://www.wesleyan.edu/rc> for a full and up-to-date schedule of weekend events. The schedule below is current as of May 16 and is subject to change.

#### GENERAL

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Visit “Reunion Headquarters” at Clark Hall Lounge, Nicolson (Foss 5) Lounge, or Fauver Frosh Lounge anytime during the weekend for casual gatherings with classmates and to view special class exhibits (message boards, collages, artwork, and performances). These alumni lounges will be the best place to find classmates, take a break from the weekend activities, or congregate between events. The Registration site at Gregory Family Café (first floor), Usdan University, will be another place to meet up with classmates. Be sure to check the “See Who’s Here” board to find out who has arrived and to get their cell phone number.

#### FRIDAY

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11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Welcome Picnic Lunch

*Location:* Tent, Russell House

*Note:* For those who did not register for this meal in advance, unfortunately we are now sold out. Other options for lunch include the Wesleyan Farmers’ Market, Usdan Café, Pi Café (in the Exley Science Center), or one of Middletown's terrific restaurants.

5-9 p.m. Red, Black and Green! All-College Dinner

An informal, eco-friendly buffet dinner. Tables will be reserved for each Reunion class.

*Location:* Marketplace, Usdan University Center

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7:30-8:30 p.m. 30th Reunion Dessert Reception for Class of 1979

Featuring live music by Banning Eyre '79 and Dirck Westervelt '79. Cash bar (ID required).

*Location:* Lobby, Exley Science Center (Church Street side)

8:30-10 p.m. 30th Reunion Party at John B's

Sponsored by: Strauss Zelnick '79

*Location:* Gatekeepers Tavern (formerly John B's), 73 Ferry Street, Middletown

10 p.m.-2 a.m. Reunion Party at Eclectic

State of Reunion, a band born out of a synthesis of the circa-1978 on-campus band “Contraband” and a later, NYC-based band called the “Screamin’ Honkers,” features ’79ers Bill Levinson (piano), Jack Freudenheim (drums) and Stu Abramson (sax/vocals), as well as Tom Kovar ’76 on guitar and vocals and Bruce Gordon on bass and vocals. Various guest stars are likely as well! The band will feature hot soul and rhythm and blues grooves, perfect for dancing the night away...

Cash bar (ID required).

*Location:* Eclectic

# SATURDAY

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9:30 a.m. WESeminar 6: Israel and Palestine: A One-State or Two-State Solution?

Presenter: Ethan Bronner '76, P '10, Jerusalem bureau chief, The New York Times, and former Wesleyan trustee (who will participate via Skype from Jerusalem); Jacob Walles '79, Consul General and Chief of Mission in Jerusalem, is a career diplomat who has worked for the State Department since 1982

*Location:* Tishler Lecture Hall (Room 150), Exley Science Center

10:30 a.m. WESeminar 9: How to Have the Conversations You Dread at Work and at Home

Presenter: Sharon Grady '79, professional coach and educator who teaches senior executives how to manage conflict; her clients have included American Express, Merck, IBM, Ford, Harvard Business School, MIT, Gloucester Pharmaceuticals, and Fidelity Investments.

*Location:* Taylor Meeting Room (108), Usdan University Center

11:15 a.m. Assemble for the Annual Parade of Classes

Seniors and their families are invited to join alumni for this traditional Wesleyan festivity. The parade is scheduled to begin promptly at 11:30 a.m. and is followed immediately by the Assembly and Annual Meeting.

*Location:* Lawn in front of North and South College (towards High Street)

12 noon-1 p.m. Wesleyan Assembly and Alumni Association Annual Meeting

Featuring Denver Mayor John Hickenlooper '74, MA'80 on "Laminar Flow and the Multiple Working Hypothesis"

Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients: Timothy Day '59, Laurence Kedes '59, Robert McKelvey '59, Jeffrey Richards '69  
Strauss Zelnick '79, Douglas Berman '84, Dar Williams '89

Outstanding Service Award Recipient: Nancy Stack '74

*Location:* Memorial Chapel

1-3 p.m. All-College Picnic and Festival on Foss Hill

This lively festival of entertainment and games is a great place to connect with friends and family members between WESeminars and other weekend programs. Don't miss the magic show, face painting, tattoos, caricaturist drawings, and more. Tables will be reserved for each Reunion class. A limited number of tickets may still be available for purchase at Registration (Usdan University Center) or at the lunch.

*Location:* Tent, Andrus Field and Foss Hill

1:30 p.m. Class of 1979 Photo

*Location:* Denison Terrace

2 p.m. WESeminar 17: Wine Tasting and Chat with New York Times Wine Critic Eric Asimov

Advance registration is required; to reserve a space please contact Kathy Macko at [kmacko@wesleyan.edu](mailto:kmacko@wesleyan.edu) or 860-685-2737, or stop by Registration (Usdan University Center) when you arrive on campus; cost is \$25 per person and includes light hors d'oeuvres.

Introduction: Lesley Berglund '84, co-founder and former CEO of the Ambrosia Wine Catalogue/the Winetasting Network, and a third generation Napa Valley native from a grape growing family.

Presenter: Eric Asimov '79, P'13, chief wine critic, *The New York Times*, and author of its wine blog, The Pour, and the upcoming book *How to Love Wine*.

*Location:* Daniel Family Commons, Usdan University Center

2 p.m. WESeminar 18: Improvisation: the Creative Power of Listening

Register for this 90-minute workshop by contacting Kathy Macko at [kmacko@wesleyan.edu](mailto:kmacko@wesleyan.edu) or 860-685-2737.

Presenter: Cheryl V. Cutler MA '71, founder of the Dance Department and professor of dance at Wesleyan for 32 years, currently lecturer at Yale University School of Drama, co-founder with Randall Huntsberry of Listening Unlimited, and co-author of *Creative Listening: Overcoming Fear in Life and Work*.

*Location:* Bessie Schonberg Dance Studios, 247 Pine Street

3:30 p.m. WESeminar 25: The Future of Energy: United States Domestic and Foreign Policy Perspectives  
Moderator: Ladeene Freimuth '89, president and founder of The Freimuth Group, LLC, a domestic and global energy and environmental consulting practice, specializing in renewable energy, energy efficiency, and global climate change; she has worked on Capitol Hill, in government agencies, consulting firms, and at non-governmental organizations and has just returned from the Middle East where she worked on transboundary water management and climate change issues.  
Presenters: Lisa Frantzis '79, managing director, renewable and distributed energy, Navigant Consulting; Arthur Haubensstock '84, Chief Counsel & Director of Regulatory Affairs at BrightSource Energy, Inc., a leading utility-scale solar company, where he is responsible for federal and state renewable energy and climate change issues; Robert Pratt '69, chairman and CEO, EnergyClimate Solutions, a firm that works with colleges and universities to help them become climate leaders by significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions through large-scale carbon, energy and water programs  
*Location:* Tishler Lecture Hall (Room 150), Exley Science Center

3:30 p.m. WESeminar 26: "Between Milk and Yogurt": Book Publishing Today  
Moderator: Pamela Dorman '79, vice president and publisher, Pamela Dorman Books/Viking, a division of Penguin Group. Pamela is one of the publishing industry's leading women's fiction editors, according to *Writer's Digest*.  
Presenters: Molly Barton '00, publishing manager for Penguin Group (USA) and the associate publisher of *eSpecials*; Valerie Borchardt '84, agent and foreign rights director at Georges Borchardt, Inc., a New York-based literary agency that specializes in literary fiction and nonfiction; Lisa Kaufman '80, vice president, marketing director, and senior editor for PublicAffairs; Carolyn Parkhurst '92, author of *The New York Times* best-selling novels *The Dogs of Babel* and *Lost and Found*, and the forthcoming children's book *Cooking with Henry and Elliebelly*; Geri Thoma, agent and partner at Markson Thoma, a literary agency in New York, who is married to Andrus Professor of Sociology Charles Lemert; Susan Weinberg '80, publisher of PublicAffairs  
*Location:* Crowell Concert Hall, Center for the Arts

5:30 p.m. Class of 1979 Reunion Reception and Dinner  
Reception at 5:30 p.m., dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
*Location:* Tent (with black flag), North College lawn

9 p.m. Traditional All-College Sing on the Steps of North College  
Led by: Bill Moody '59  
*Location:* Steps of North College (rain site: Memorial Chapel)

10 p.m.-1 a.m. All-Campus Party Featuring Kinky Spigot and the Welders  
*Location:* Tent, Andrus Field

## **SUNDAY**

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8 a.m.-1 p.m. All-Campus Brunch Buffet  
Wrap up a great weekend with a hearty brunch. Tables will be reserved for each Reunion Class.  
*Location:* Usdan University Center

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11 a.m. The 177th Commencement Ceremony  
*Location:* Andrus Field

## REGISTRANT LIST AS OF MAY 16

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Stu Abramson '79  
David Albert '79  
Seta Albrecht '79  
Carol Altneu Murphy '79, P'07  
Andrea Armstrong '79  
Eric Asimov '79  
Chris Austill '79  
Rachel Bashevkin '79  
Fred Baurer '79, P'09  
Ann Biester Deane '79  
Melanie Blank '79  
Amy Breakstone '79, P'09  
Gary Breitbord '79  
Joe Britton '79  
Karen Browner-Elhanan '79  
Christopher Burleigh '79  
Bob Burnett '79  
Martha Bush '79  
Paul Butler '79  
Peter Campbell '79  
Carol Churgin '79  
Jono Cobb '79  
Bill Conley '79  
Jim Connery '79  
Alice Cronin-Golomb '79  
Rachel Derrick '79  
Casey Dinges '79  
George DuPaul '79  
Banning Eyre '79  
Tim Fitzgerald '79  
Jim Flynn '79  
Lincoln Frank '79  
Jack Freudenheim '79  
Jim Friedlich '79  
Donna Goodrich '79  
Ann Goodwin '79  
Shelly Greengarden '79  
Julie Griffin '79, P'11  
Lauren Haddad Friedman '79  
Mitch Harwood '79  
John Hatleberg '79  
Frank Hauser '79, MAL'S'87,  
CAS'96  
Kathy Herron '79  
Matt Jarvinen '79  
Bethany Kandel '79  
Ann Kaplan '79  
Julie Kast '79, P'09  
Brian Katten '79, P'11  
Dana Keeth '79  
David Kendall '79  
Janice Keuhnelian '79  
Laurie Knitter '79  
Katherine Kohrman '79  
Steve Koplowitz '79  
Carolyn La Monaca '79  
Frank La Monaca '79  
Bill Levinson '79  
Denny MacPhee '79  
Ralph Maltese '79  
Beth Masterman '79, P'08  
Hiram Matthews '79, P'07  
Wanda Matthews '79, P'07  
Sarah Maynard '79, P'11  
Libby McGarry '79  
Julie Meyer '79  
Abbe Miller '79  
Bob Murphy '79  
Matt Okun '79  
Dan Ostrow '79  
Bill Plotch '79  
Amy Radin '79, P'12  
Amelie Rennolds '79  
Maura Resnick '79  
Steve Rosenman '79  
Rudy Ruderman '79, P'11  
Dave Schenkein '79, P'08  
Peter Scherer '79  
Brian Schorr '79, MA'79  
Frances Sheehan '79  
Mark Silbey '79  
Jill Singer '79  
Carole Slipowitz '79  
Jill Snyder '79  
Ben Solnit '79  
John Steidl '79, P'11  
Lauren Steiner '79  
Spence Studwell '79, P'09  
Kathy Sutherland '79  
Cathy Terry '79  
Laura Tully '79  
Laura Walker '79  
Jake Walles '79  
Elaine Winic '79  
Laura Worby '79  
Elizabeth Yoakum '79  
Rich Yonezuka-Brown '79,  
MAL'S'82  
Strauss Zelnick '79