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(via MailChimp)

Good Morning '87,

Happy Pi Day to everyone - as a Math major, this is a big day for me and many of my geeky friends in Cambridge, MA and a major holiday at MIT. Pretty amazing that we have not yet gotten to the end of calculating Pi, or even seen any discernible pattern(s) emerging. Very cool!

A quick note on a 2 important items: Last call for Class SWAG and a Class Info Meeting on March 30th.

First, it's your last chance to get in on two great Class swag options - you need to ACT TODAY on both of these items as the deadline is here!

Class Party Blazer: These things are really great and if you don't have one, I highly recommend them (no, I don't get any kickbacks!). Here are the details:

- Cost is \$349.00 and delivery will be in time for our 35th!
- Order here: <https://blaze-in.com/usna-class-of-87-custom-blazer-3932.html>
- More info here: https://blaze-in.com/flyers/campaigns/usna87_3932_v200122.html

USNA Reyn Spooner: You gotta have one of these, too! If interested, please contact classmate Chris Hodges immediately!

- @ Email: iamchrishodges@yahoo.com or phone: 1.240.401.2466

Now, to the main gist of the email which is a Class of '87 Info Session scheduled for Wednesday, March 30th from 1930-2100 EDT.

Here is the Zoom info:

<https://hbs.zoom.us/j/91558509139?pwd=emJrR2FyekNqOGMrZ05pRUJTcDhRdz09>

Meeting ID: 915 5850 9139

Password: USNA87

We'll discuss two important topics and cover the good work of two Class working groups: (1) our 35th Reunion Plans and (2) our Class By-Laws and Election Process.

- **35th Reunion** - we have a great Team of 40+ classmates working hard to bring you yet another awesome Class reunion over Labor Day Weekend (Sept 1-4, 2022) so please join to hear more details, and to get your travel plans in motion!

- **Class Governance & Elections Process** - as shared in previous Class communications, I will officially be retiring as Class President at the 35th Reunion. I have loved serving the Class these many years, and now it's time to make room for other Classmates who might like to serve as Class Officer(s).

Our By-Laws are quite dated (as in, we have not done them since graduation) so a group of Classmates are working with me to create updated By-Laws that define how we as a Class should (and largely already do) operate and also how we will run elections in the near, and longer term.

This is not particularly exciting stuff, but it is important and we want to be sure we get feedback and support from as many classmates as possible. To this end, we'll do this info session on the 30th and then soon after, will distribute a final proposed version of our By-Laws and ask the Class to comment on them via a survey. Based on any feedback we receive, we'll produce a final version of the By-Laws which will go out to the Class for approval later in April. Following approval of the By-Laws, we'll immediately move onto the Class Leadership Nominations and Elections process in early May.

And of course, where more than 2 classmates gather, there shall be a party (that should be Article 0 of our By-Laws) so on the March 30th Zoom, we'll also have a little fun, do a few toasts and perhaps do a short breakout room to connect with friends and company mates.

Finally, please hold Friday, May 20th for a special 35th Class Graduation Zoom-Union from 2000-2130 EDT - we'll use the same Zoom info as above so put a hold in your calendar now! After that, we'll be together IN PERSON in early September for our 35th Reunion.

Please ping me back with any ideas or questions on the Class Governance Process & Plans, and especially if you find yourself wondering if you should run for Class Officer (the answer is YES!).

Thanks - we look forward to seeing you on March 30th!

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