



September 17, 2019

Dear Fellow Alums:

I hope this email finds you well, and that your fall is off to a wonderful start.

As many of you know, reunion is coming soon! I hope you will join us on Friday October 18th from 6-9pm for our cocktail reception on the green roof and in the board room. It is a lively celebration that features the music of our Class of '96 All Star Band, great food, and even better conversation. For our Saturday events (October 19th), we have adjusted the format somewhat this year in response to your feedback. We have shortened the formal program to allow for more socialization time, will be providing child-friendly activities so you can bring your families, and have added an Alumni blue-green soccer game.

This year we are also planning a special tribute on Saturday. In February, our community was deeply saddened to lose Dr. Paul Loatman, former faculty member and Head of the Upper School for many years. I know many of you expressed regrets that you could not attend Doc's wake and pass on your condolences to the family. As such, the Alumni/ae Association has proposed that we collect comments and stories in writing (photos are welcome if you have them) and compile them into an album that we will present to the Loatman family at the reunion luncheon. These do not need to be lengthy – any sentiments, no matter how brief, are encouraged.

If Doc holds a special place in your DS memories, please consider sending your thoughts along. Please respond to me (lrobins1@hotmail.com), co-Chair Angela Ledtke (angela@artiqueshopping.com), or Darlene Gallagher (dgallagher@doanestuart.org) with your tributes **by October 1**.

I look forward to reconnecting with many of you at reunion. If you haven't yet registered, you can do so online at <https://www.doanestuart.org/our-alumni/reunion/>.

All the best,

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