



## Princeton Class of 1966

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Dear Classmates,

Happy 2012! This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our entry into Princeton and the year that almost all of us will be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunions. Congratulations!

We are writing to make sure you know about the upcoming Alumni Day at Princeton University on Saturday, February 25th at which one of our own, Bob Mueller, will be honored and also to keep you informed of our efforts to achieve broader participation in an expanding list of Class activities as we travel Route 66 to our 50<sup>th</sup> Princeton Reunion.

Alumni Day – Saturday, February 25, 2012

### *The Woodrow Wilson Award*

The Woodrow Wilson Award is presented annually on Alumni Day to an undergraduate alumnus or alumna whose activities exemplify Woodrow Wilson's ideal of Princeton in the Nation's Service. The Wilson Award is considered the highest honor that Princeton University can bestow upon an alum, and this year it will be presented to FBI Director, Robert S. Mueller, III of the Great Class of 1966. We are hoping that many of our classmates will come back to Princeton on February 25th to help Bob celebrate this singular honor.

### *Mueller Lecture and Luncheon*

The Alumni Day schedule is as follows: At 9:00 AM, this year's recipient of the James Madison Medal -- Princeton's highest honor for an alumnus or alumna of the Graduate College, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson \*86 -- will speak in Alexander Hall. At approximately 10:15, Bob Mueller will speak in the same venue. Starting at about 11:30 a reception and luncheon will be held at Jadwin Gymnasium. Bob will receive his award at the luncheon, and we are hoping that a large 1966 contingent will be present to lead the cheers - - perhaps a locomotive! You may have already received printed registration materials from the University, but the easiest way to register is online at this site:

<http://alumni.princeton.edu/goinback/alumniday/>. If you have any registration questions, you can contact the Office of the Alumni Association at (609) 258-1900. When you register, please indicate that you would like to be seated with 1966, so we may know how many to plan for. The cost for the lectures and luncheon is \$35 per adult. In addition to the Wilson Award and the Madison Medal, various alumni awards are presented that day, as are the

Pyne Honor Prize for undergraduate achievement and the Jacobus Fellowships for distinguished achievement by graduate students. It is a wonderful, spirit-filled event.

### *Service of Remembrance*

At 3:00 PM in the University Chapel, the Service of Remembrance will be held, honoring those Princetonians whose deaths were recorded in 2011, including the following members of the Class of 1966: Christopher Barron Bedford, Philip John Berg, Jack Arnold Cohen, John Maxwell Friedman, Kenneth Lloyd Kreidmann, Guy Fitch Lytle, and Alan Gardiner Rockhold. Each class is represented in the procession, and we are very happy to report to you that our representative this year will be Christopher A. "Kit" Mill. We urge as many of you as possible to join us for what is always a sobering but uplifting service at which Princeton honors its own.

### *Class Dinner*

At about 4:30, we hope that you will join us for drinks and dinner at the Nassau Club, an easy walk from the campus. We do not anticipate that Bob Mueller's responsibilities will allow him to remain in Princeton for dinner, but we do have a fascinating speaker lined up - again, one of our own, Ted Stanger. Until moving to Princeton last year, Ted was bureau chief for Newsweek in such overseas stations as Bonn, Rome, and Jerusalem, before settling in Paris about 20 years ago. His career took a unusual turn when about ten years ago he decided to write a book in French about the French for the French. His book, *Sacrés Français! Un Américain Nous Regarde* (rough translation: *Those #@! French! An American Looks at Us*), became a runaway best seller in France and prompted seven more such books. Ted has been called the "Pierre Salinger of our time," in that when the French look for someone to explain American behavior, Ted is the go-to guy. To quote Ted, "I write somewhat sarcastic books about the French and the Americans and what divides them -- that is, almost everything." Ted's talk will be entitled "*It's French to Me: Adventures (and Misadventures) of a Foreign Correspondent.*" All classmates, spouses, significant others, and class children are invited to attend. As is traditional, we have also invited our undergraduate scholarship recipients as well as past winners of the Princeton Prize in Race Relations. Reservations for the evening are \$70.00 per person and can be made by contacting Bob Nahas at [bobn@24seveninc.com](mailto:bobn@24seveninc.com), and sending a check to Bob at 268 Wyckoff Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ 07481. Thanks, Bob!

### Class Activity

Your new Class officers are dedicated to reaching out to more classmates to participate in and enjoy an expanding list of Class activities, programs and events leading up to our 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion. We will be soliciting volunteers for the many tasks that lie ahead and looking for the most effective means of communicating with you, including an improved Class website and social media to enable classmates to communicate with each other.

We have already begun the planning process and will soon be meeting in person to explore ways to achieve broader participation in Class affairs and to offer activities and events of interest to more classmates and their spouses, widows and other friends of '66.

We came together as classmates almost 50 years ago and have a rare opportunity to revisit our youthful spirit and to share a tapestry of experiences woven, in part, during our years at Old Nassau. To accomplish this, we welcome your thoughts and involvement.

Once again, please join us on February 25<sup>th</sup>. It will be a great day and a great opportunity to celebrate all that is best about Princeton and our Class.

Yours for '66,

Charles Plohn  
Ron Landeck  
Henry Von Kohorn  
David Kinard  
Jim Parmentier

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