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Dear Classmate,

It's hard to believe it's been close to 55 years since "*those happy, golden, bygone days*," but the 55th reunion is just around the corner in May! In preparation for that occasion, the Yale Class of 1965 and 1970 have jointly asked us at the UVa Center for Survey Research to help with designing and administering a scientific survey of the two classes. As a member of the Class of '69, I readily agreed to help out.

We've done our best to make the survey questionnaire interesting and fun to fill out. We'll report the aggregate results for the two classes at the 55th, as well as on the Yale '65 website. **Please complete the on-line survey by visiting:**

<https://csr.coopercenter.org/Yale65>

Watch also for a survey invitation coming to you soon at your email address. Participation, while highly encouraged, is entirely voluntary and the results will be kept completely anonymous. Your responses will never be identified with you. We will only report aggregated information, such as counts, percentages, averages, etc. In addition, Jim Conroy, '70 has volunteered to conduct the data analysis for both the classes of '65 and '70. CSR and Jim Conroy will keep the collected data strictly confidential so that nobody else can access the file to try to identify any individual based on their anonymous answers.

We estimate that the questionnaire takes about 25 minutes to complete, and you can complete it in more than one sitting. Whether or not you look back fondly at your time at Yale (I know not all of us do), I think you'll find this to be time well spent. If you lose your connection or need to take a break, just log in again *from the same device* and you will be able to pick up where you left off. (Note that this feature of the survey uses 'cookies' so that the software can recognize your device when you re-start. If you have set your browser to not accept cookies, then this feature will not work and you'll need to do the survey in one sitting.)

If you have any questions about the survey, please don't hesitate to contact me at tomg@virginia.edu or at 434-243-5223. If you experience any technical difficulties while completing the survey, or if you wish to update your contact information, please contact our Survey Operations Manager, Sean Johnson, at 434-243-5229 or by email at smj3ms@virginia.edu.

Thank you in advance for completing the survey and for contributing to this fun and exciting opportunity to learn more about your classmates—in the aggregate.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom".

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