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WLU welcomes alumni home for the weekend

WATERLOO, Ontario - WLU's alumni will be as young as their memories when they return to **Homecoming '97, September 26 to 28, 1997.** Some Homecoming '97 highlights:

Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet

The Department of Athletics and Recreation recognizes the outstanding achievements of former WLU athletes. This years inductees are: Sue (Little) Lake (basketball, 1986-90), Bob Fitzgerald (basketball, 1978-82), Steve Forden (basketball, 1981-86), Roy Abraham (soccer, 1986-90), Roy Dopson (hockey, 1987-1990), Barry Lyon (founder of the soccer team in 1979 and its coach until 1989), and the 1982-83 men's hockey team.

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7 p.m.

Paul Martin Centre

Christine Vanderkooy '96 in Concert

Christine Vanderkooy earned her Honours Bachelor of Music degree in Piano Performance in 1996 from WLU. This concert includes works by Mozart, Chopin, Rachmaninoff, Schubert, and WLU faculty member Boyd McDonald.

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8 p.m.

Maureen Forrester Recital Hall

Student Homecoming Parade*

A parade by Laurier's current students featuring floats, bands and balloons.

September 27, 1997

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Beginning at University Stadium

Brunch, Alumni Association Annual General Meeting, and Alumni Awards Presentations

Bob Hamilton '71, who acts as Laurier's alumni voice in western Canada, will be named Alumnus of the Year. Lorna Marsden, former WLU president, Margaret Evans, former Dean of Women, and Loren Calder, retired WLU Soviet and Russian history professor, will be made honorary alumni.

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10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Dining Hall

Women's Athletic Association Wine and Cheese Reception

A reception for all former varsity and intramural athletes, coaches, instructors, current team members and WAA members hosted by the 1997-98 WAA executive.

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12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Lettermen's Lounge, Athletic Complex

Homecoming Football Game*

The Laurier Golden Hawks look for their second consecutive victory when they take on the Guelph Gryphons.

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2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

University Stadium

Alumni Reunion Buffet Dinner*

A chance for alumni to mix with their contemporaries and swap memories. Special reunion groups are: Class of 1947 (50th reunion), Class of 1972 (25th reunion), Class of 1986, Class of 1987 (10th reunion), and the Class of 1992 (5th reunion).

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6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Theatre Auditorium

Parents' Day Lunch and Reception

The Student Alumni Association welcomes first-year students and their parents to Laurier. The guest speaker, Alumnus of the Year Bob Hamilton, will talk about the importance of getting involved and giving something back to your university. A campus tour and reception follow.

September 28, 1997

12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Dining Hall

Founders' Chapter: 50- and 60-Year Class Reunions (Classes of 1947 and 1937)*

The class of 1947 will be inducted into the Founder's Chapter.

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12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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Photo opportunities: Each event marked with (*) provides a good photo opportunity.