

CLASS OF 1974 REFLECTION
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The early 1970s were a time of great social and political change in America. Students demonstrating against the Vietnam war at Kent State University were killed and wounded by National Guardsmen. Backlash from widespread student demonstrations

limestone when freshly broken with a rock hammer; the grassy bouquet of herbs in a plastic bag; the musty paper of a cherished old book; the taste and smell of rainfall on the Quad, the strangely delightful marriage of cold milk and inhaled cigarette smoke.

Some of these were childish ways, long gone.

A residue, filtered across forty years and validated by the Ancients, goes something like this:

Ars longa, vita brevis.

Only the dead have seen the end of war.

Try to enjoy the great festival of life with other people.

This College is a jewel of great price, not purchased to be discarded or lost, but enjoyed for a lifetime, then passed to future generations.