Dear Classmate,

On behalf of our class, the Senior Fund Committee is kicking off our fundraising campaign. This year, we are encouraging monetary gifts from the senior class in the same way that we solicit alumni gifts. What this means for you:

- The Senior Fund Committee is encouraging the donation of an unrestricted gift to Whitman. An unrestricted gift supports the operating budget of the College and has an immediate influence on the student experience at Whitman. Did you know that tuition covers less than 60% of the total cost of your Whitman education? Support of the operating budget is essential to maintain a high quality of education and campus life.
- However, you are not required to contribute an unrestricted gift. You also have the opportunity to give to any department, ASWC group, athletic team, etc.
- There are a variety of ways to contribute. One of the most popular is to contribute part (or all!) of your $300 contingency deposit from freshman year. You can also pay by check, credit card, or cash.
- Each gift of at least $25 earns you the chance to honor one person or one group in the Commencement program (a nice way to publicly acknowledge someone who helped you get through your Whitman years, perhaps).
- We are aiming for a 100% participation rate from our class. Any donation counts, from the spare change in your wallet to more significant amounts—we’ll take anything! High levels of alumni participation in turn attract larger grants from outside sources—so if you’ve enjoyed your Whitman experience and want to see our endowment grow, consider giving!
- The act of donation is a wonderful way to give back to our home of the past four years. As a class, we have the opportunity to positively contribute to the operations of the College and the opportunities available for future Whitties. Please consider contributing to this highly beneficial cause.

If you have any questions, please email Becky Antilla at antillrk@whitman.edu or contact any member of the Senior Fund Committee.

Sincerely,
The Class of 2008 Senior Fund Committee

(Ken Anderson, Becky Antilla, Joscelyn Barden, Sara Gore, Adriana Piazza, Kramer Phillips, Lauren Simpson, Matt Stenovec, and Craig Yuen)

P.S: Check out our website at http://www.whitman.edu/senior_fund/