## Reunion Overview & Goals

- Attracts almost 300 Beloit alumni each year
- Offers class photos, exclusive tours, conviviality, and more!
- My goal was to give attendees more “Buc for their Buck”
- Provide gifts that promote Beloit pride and sustainable living
- Multiple promotional items featured at Reunion and Homecoming events will be sustainably purchased

Photos featured in this section are from [http://beloit.edu/reunion](http://beloit.edu/reunion)

## The Plan: Grocery Bags

**Switch from plastic to save*:**
- 24 lb plastic waste/year
- 3,850 lb fossil fuel
- 5,950 gallons water
- 4.725 tons CO₂ emissions

Equals the yearly emissions from a standard passenger car!

*Values are cumulative for 250 bags given to attendees and come from using this bag rather than a disposable one weekly over 2 years. Data from [www.citizenscampaign.org](http://www.citizenscampaign.org) and “Greenhouse Gas Emissions” by the US EPA.

## Sustainable Purchasing**

- **Sustainable purchasing** of goods considers the social, financial, and environmental impact of a purchase
- All stages of production and use are considered, from production of the raw material to disposal of the finished product

Sustainable merchants ensure…
- No child or slave labor used
- Workers are paid fair wages, including overtime and benefits
- Workers have freedom to organize
- Workplace conditions are safe and sanitary
- Environmental impact is minimized by meeting and exceeding environmental regulations.

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