

Blast from the Past

A wallet lost 30 years ago is found

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Louise Broom-Peltz '83 didn't remember losing her wallet as a UNH undergrad some 30 years ago—and she certainly wasn't expecting the phone call that came on April 21, telling her that it had been found. While pitching in on a campus cleanup event on April 18 as a member of the Phi Mu Delta fraternity, Ryan Ross '15 came across the battered leather billfold in a wooded stretch behind Horton Hall and initially thought it must

belong to one of his fellow volunteers. The wallet's contents, including several credit cards and a driver's license dated 1982, were intact, and Broom-Peltz herself proved to be only a short Google search away in Windham, N.H. "She seemed pretty shocked and excited to hear from us," says Ross. Broom-Peltz will pass on using the 30-year-old wallet, but she was delighted to get it back from Ross and his Phi Mu Delta brothers. "It's quite the artifact," she says. She got a particular chuckle from the "hideous haircut" in her license photo. "I made the foolish mistake of cutting my hair extra short before going on Semester at Sea so I wouldn't have to deal with getting it cut during the four months away," she says. "Big mistake!"

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