In 2006, when Liz Gough ‘07 was a junior, she managed the crew of the Class of 1966’s 40th Reunion. A fun job but still a lot of work, Gough put in many hours under the guidance of that storied class. The first to acknowledge her own competitive streak, Gough with her crew put up a fierce fight for the coveted Clancy Award, which recognizes the most outstanding Reunion crew. But the award went to the crew led by her classmate Mike Ott for the Class of 2001 Reunion—the first time in several decades that a 5th Reunion crew had won.

Fast forward to 2012. Gough is co-chair of 2007’s 5th Reunion. And her partner? Mike Ott ’07. With Gough’s experience with the Class of 1966 (“Everything I know I learned from ’66,” she says) and Ott’s award-winning prior performance with a 5th Reunion… the Class of 2007’s 5th should be memorable.

And the class seems to think so, too. By mid March, more than 700 classmates had signed up—with more to come.

Gough and Ott haven’t waited for the first weekend in June to get the ball rolling on fun. The two of them, along with ’07’s class agents, spearheaded a Reunions kick-off event, extending the invitation to the ten youngest classes (2002-2011). “The Reunions Warm-up: A Night of Princetonians Gathering Together Across the World” took place on March 1. “We identified volunteers from more than 25 cities in the world to host happy hour type events on the same night. It was a big success!” recalls Gough.

No one should be surprised at Gough’s commitment to Princeton and to her class. Gough family lore documents that young Liz declared in 4th grade that she was going to Princeton. Visits to 20 different colleges as a high school student did not deter her from her initial choice. Later, even before she left campus in the spring of 2007, she committed to running her class’s 1st and 5th Reunions.

That’s a Tiger, through and through.