



**69th Reunion
Class OF 1953
Founded in 1865
Class of 1953 was the 88th Commencement
Join us on campus: September 8-10, 2022!**

UMaine Class of '53 Classmates,

Summer is in full swing and by the time you read this there will be less than two months left until our 69th Reunion! We hope you will join us in Orono for the festivities. We want you with us to share the memories, the fun and the fellowship of our Class of 1953 Reunion.

Please register to attend online at umainealumni.com/1953-reunion or call 207-581-1144 or 1-800-934-2586 to register over the phone. You must register by Friday, August 26. Read on, mark your calendars for September 8-10, and make plans to attend!

Reunion Schedule:

Thursday, September 8

- 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM Reunion Registration/Check-in
Visit Buchanan Alumni House at your convenience to pick up your nametag and other reunion materials.
- 9:30 AM – 4:00 PM “Open House” Facilities on campus. Visit the New Balance Recreation Center, the Hudson Museum, the Lord Hall Art Gallery and more!
- 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Afternoon activities include tours of:
- The **Advanced Structures and Composites Center**, a world-leading, interdisciplinary center for research, education, and economic development encompassing material sciences, manufacturing, and engineering of composites and structures
 - The brand-new **Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center**, opened in August of 2022, the building includes a 10,000-square-foot multidisciplinary student project design suite, a 10,000-square-foot biomedical engineering research lab suite, 6 active learning classrooms, research labs, common areas, and more!
 - The **Performing Arts Facilities** - Visit 1944 Hall, Minsky Recital Hall, Hauck Auditorium, and more!
 - **Athletic Facilities** - Visit the Field House, the Pit, Alford Arena, Alford Stadium, and more!
 - Other afternoon options include guest speaker Diane Rowland, Dean of the College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture, and a bus tour of campus.
- 5:00 PM Cocktail Hour and All-Alumni Dinner (\$40) at the Black Bear Inn in Orono with special guest President Joan Ferrini-Mundy and entertainment provided by UMaine students.

Friday, September 9

- 9:00 AM “Morning Mingle” hosted by Senior Alumni at Buchanan Alumni House
Join members of the Senior Alumni Committee along with current and former non-traditional student scholarship recipients and student alumni ambassadors for a morning of conversation and student stories! Morning refreshments will be available.
- 10:30 AM Class of 1953 Business Meeting - Location TBA

- Noon Senior Alumni Luncheon (\$18-\$30) at Wells Conference Center with a guest panel of UMaine students
- 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM Afternoon Activities
Tour options include the **Advanced Structures and Composites Center**, and the **Ferland Engineering Education and Design Center**. Other options include a panel of University representatives discussing new initiatives made possible by the \$240 million Alford Grant, a bus tour of campus, and a tour of the Hudson Museum- Explore the Museum's extraordinary holdings in the World Cultures Gallery and the Maine Indian Gallery, as well as changing exhibits in the Merritt Gallery and the Minsky Culture Lab.
- 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM Reunion Closing Reception at Buchanan Alumni House - Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
- 7:30 PM Faculty Recital Featuring Silver Duo in Minsky Recital Hall - Noreen Silver, cello and Phillip Silver, piano - with Guest Artist Clarinetist/Composer, Beth Wiemann

Saturday, September 10

- 10:00 AM Pre-game event at the President's House on campus hosted by President Joan Ferrini-Mundy
- 1:00 PM UMaine Football vs Colgate at Alford Stadium (Tailgating beginning at 10:00 AM) \$10 group rate tickets available on the reunion registration form.

Reserve your hotel room NOW as space is limited and rooms will fill up fast!

Request "UMaine Reunion 2022" Block at any of the following hotels:

- Black Bear Inn in Orono: 207.866.7120 (\$149 plus tax)
- Country Inn at the Mall, Bangor: 207.941.0200 (\$85 plus tax)
- Quality Inn in Bangor: 207.942.7899 (\$109 plus tax)
- Hampton Inn in Bangor: 207.990.4400 (\$199 plus tax)

NOTE: Current University COVID policy: Proof of vaccination against COVID-19 or a negative test is required to attend, face coverings are optional.

We hope to see you in September! Come and help us celebrate!

Yours for the University of Maine, "the college of our hearts always!"

Helen Strong Hamilton

Class of 1953 President

(603) 772-6432

helen.hamilton429@gmail.com