



## CLASS OF 1961 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

60th Reunion

Dear 1961 Classmates:

Well, here we go again! We are planning our “60th plus 1” reunion for September 8,9,10, 2022, live, on campus, along the banks of the mighty Stillwater. And, Saturday will offer a home football game as well. It promises to be a busy weekend and as a bonus we will be celebrating with the classes of 1951, 1953, 1957, 1960, 1962, 1967, 1970, 1971, 1972, and Senior Alumni! While we can’t promise perfect weather, early September in Maine has always been as close to perfect as you can get.

As important as it is to see all the improvements - completed and in progress - that have been made on campus since graduation, the best reason to gather is to reconnect with old friends, roommates and classmates. And, of course, there is the opportunity to meet new folks that you never connected with in school. We want as many of you as can make the trip to be there. It won’t be the same without you!

Here is what you need to do and more info on certain events:

1. **Please register to attend online at [umainealumni.com/1961-reunion](http://umainealumni.com/1961-reunion) or call 207-581-1144 or 1-800-934-2586 to register over the phone. You must register by Friday, August 26.**
2. **Reserve your hotel room NOW if you haven’t already! 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)

Not driving? Carpooling is our friend and we will match folks up on site.

3. We will gather to hold our memorial service in celebration of the lives of classmates who have passed since graduation. This is always a special time as we recognize especially those who have passed since our 55th reunion. A class meeting will be held to decide how our class funds should be disbursed and to discuss what changes have been recommended by your Board. A class vote will be taken.

That’s it, simple as can be. We look forward to welcoming you back to campus and reminiscing about the days of old. See below and reverse side for a full reunion schedule. Cheers and GO BLUE!

*Meg Thompson Villarreal - 1961 Class President*

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

### **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.

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- 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 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.

9:00 AM Class of 1961 Business Meeting and Memorial Service at Black Bear Inn in Orono

Noon Luncheon hosted by Senior Alumni 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.