November 2011

Greetings 1962 Classmates,

Our class is moving toward a monumental 50th reunion next year—June 4–7, 2012, in Salem, MA, and June 7–10, 2012, at MIT. We hope you have already saved the dates, called friends, and booked your hotel room to join the fun!

Our weeklong schedule is filled with activities, and our committee is hard at work planning our events just for our class.

Monday, June 4

• We arrive at the Hawthorne Hotel, Salem, and enjoy a welcome dinner at Finz, a popular restaurant on Pickering Wharf.

Tuesday, June 5

• During the day, take in the sites of historic Salem or relax with friends at the Hawthorne. We’ll have private tours at the world-class Peabody-Essex Museum, discounted tickets to the House of the Seven Gables and day passes on the Salem Trolley.

• After a cocktail reception at the Hawthorne, dinner is on your own.

Wednesday, June 6

• Our activities will take us north to Gloucester, for exclusive tours of several attractions, including Beauport (the Sleeper-McCann House) and the Ryan and Wood Distillery, among others.

• In the evening our class dinner at the Hawthorne will include some interesting speakers from our class.

Thursday, June 7

• Our campus events begin with a buffet dinner at the Marriott before Pops.

• The 115th annual Tech Night at Pops will be one of the biggest events of our 50th. As the 50th reunion class, we’re seated front and center at every level!

Friday, June 8

• A continental breakfast at Walker Memorial starts Friday. We will then march into Killian Court as part of the Commencement Procession.

• After Commencement enjoy our class’s Commencement Luncheon at the Stratton Student Center, traditionally a well-attended 50th event.
• In late afternoon the Koch Institute for Integrative Cancer Research presents a program just for our class to learn about their innovative work combining engineers and medical personnel to search for a cure for cancer.
• After a very busy day, our class is planning a casual and fun dinner at the Marriott.

Saturday, June 9
• Learn about cutting-edge research from MIT’s faculty during the Technology Day program.
• We have yet another opportunity to take center stage, at the Technology Day Luncheon, as we march in as a class.
• Our evening begins with a reception in our honor at Gray House, hosted by MIT President Susan Hockfield HM, and her husband, Dr. Thomas Byrne.
• The fun continues with a gala dinner at the Brain and Cognitive Sciences Center, one of the bold new spaces built at MIT in the last ten years.

Sunday, June 10
• Rowers and spectators will start the day early with the Reunion Row at the Pierce Boathouse. Afterward we’ll say our farewells at a festive brunch at the Marriott.

Here’s a list of action items for you to start on now for a great reunion:
• Reserve your room at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem. The rate is $139 double occupancy per night plus tax, and our group code is “MIT Class of 1962 Class Reunion.” Call 978-744-4080 or 1-800-729-7829 to reserve while rooms are still available.
• Reserve your room at the Boston Marriott Cambridge. The rate is $225 per night plus tax, and our group code is “MIT 50th Reunion.” Call 800-228-9290 or 617-494-6600 to reserve, while rooms are still available. You may reserve an MIT dorm room when registration opens in March.
• Pay your class dues of $62.00. Please include a check payable to the MIT Class of 1962 in the enclosed envelope. Dues payers will receive a copy of our 50th reunion book.
• Go to https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/50threunionbookmit62 and write your biography for our 50th reunion book! If you prefer, you can submit your biography by mail using the enclosed form. The deadline is February 15, 2012, but please be among the first and submit yours now.
• Order your red jacket using the enclosed form. The 50th reunion is when MIT alumni begin wearing the famous red jackets. Red jackets are worn at most events over reunion weekend.

If you have questions of any kind, please contact our staff partner at the Alumni Association, Robert Dimmick, at 617-253-8225 or rdimmick@mit.edu.

All of us on the committee look forward to seeing you next June!

Best,

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