Dear MIT ’67 Classmates,

This is the February 2012 update for the activities of our 45th Reunion. As we have said multiple times, we will be repeating things said before so that all you need to retain is the most recent mailing. Almost everything is now set so you can really make your plans. Registration will open in mid-March!

1. The reunion consists of two parts:
   A) Our 45th Reunion at MIT, starting with Thursday Tech Night at Pops (June 7, 2012) and concluding with the Sunday morning brunch (June 10, 2012).
   B) An optional off-campus portion which, like at our 40th, will be in Newport, Rhode Island. Activities will go from Sunday, June 10, through Tuesday, June 12, 2012.

2. Thursday: Memorial Service, 4:15 PM, MIT Chapel. Our reunion will begin with a simple respectful service to be conducted by classmate Steve Douglass at the MIT Chapel to remember and commemorate our deceased classmates.

3. Thursday: Pre-Pops Buffet Dinner, 5:00 PM. Prior to Tech Night at Pops, there will be a buffet dinner at Maseeh Hall, the ex-Ashdown House, Cambridge (fully remodeled) after which there are buses to Symphony Hall. Buses will bring us back to campus and various Cambridge hotels after the concert.

4. Friday: Boston’s wonderful Museum of Science and the Skyline Room is the venue, and the event will feature the famous caterer, Wolfgang Puck. This is the “formal” evening and we will have access to the museum during the day including the Omni movie.

5. Saturday: MIT Walking Tour. Bob Simha CP ’57, Former Director of MIT’s Planning Office, will lead a campus walking tour highlighting some of the new buildings on campus Saturday afternoon. This will be arranged to minimize walking. See this article for information on Bob.

6. Saturday: Class Speakers’ Event. Mike Telson is putting this event together

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where we anticipate approximately six speakers from the class. We’re pleased to report that our classmates Bill Thilly and Adam Clayton Powell IV have agreed to speak. Other speakers will be announced. The talks will be held in the Star Conference Rooms at the Stata Center, near our dinner location.

7. Saturday: Evening Informal Dinner Event. This will take place at the R & D Commons area and the Pub at the Stata Center, the famous new campus landmark. After our party the MIT Alumni Association is sponsoring an open bar Toast to Tech party in another location in the Stata Center.

8. Sunday Brunch: This event is at the Silverman Skyline Room at the new Media Lab building. This building is behind the President’s House and has a wonderful view of the Boston skyline. This brunch follows the Reunion Row (which our Class won at the 40th Reunion). Contact Dennis Womack-Kalla if you wish to participate in the row. We have a reputation to maintain!

9. Newport: The Newport Marriott has been selected as the preferred hotel for this segment of our 45th Reunion (though folks can stay elsewhere or even drive down from Boston each day). To reserve, call Marriott reservations at (401) 849-1000. Our group name is "MIT Class of '67 Reunion Room Block." The Marriott reference code is "MITMITA." Expect to hear from us later this month with more information about Newport activities. Monday night will be at Pete Denton’s house, including another speaker on the history of Newport. During Monday we expect to have optional participation in sailing a 12-meter racing yacht and other interesting offerings. For those wishing to stay longer in Newport there are a large number of magnificent mansions, museums, the Cliff Walk, the Tennis Hall of Fame, and much more. See http://www.gonewport.com/ for lots of ideas.

For a complete schedule of events happening on campus and information about accommodations in Cambridge look on our 45th reunion webpage.

The Reunion Committee has been recruiting Living Group Coordinators from each of the dormitories and fraternities. Expect to hear from one of them and please offer to help if you can.

The reunion committee has made provisions to assist classmates who might not otherwise be able to attend the reunion with a small subsidy to defray costs. If you are interested in discussing the possibility of a subsidy, please contact our class treasurer, Joel Shwimer, at shwimer@alum.mit.edu.

John Acevedo reports that the Gift Committee now has a dozen members and 2 Co-Chairs. They are set for members though would not turn down any applicants. For those who have donated to the Wadleigh Fund look at our class’s web page for fascinating information on the four current recipients of our largesse.
Thank you, from your Reunion Cochairs,

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NB: And thanks to those of you who paid their class dues in response to the last letters. These donations provide the start-up funds to reserve all our venues. Please join those who have already given and chip in $45 ($45 for the 45th Reunion). If you can contribute, please send a check, made out to MIT Class of ’67 to our treasurer, Joel Shwimer, at 21 Old Stagecoach Road, Bedford, MA 01730. If you prefer to contribute via credit card, please go to the link on our Class Web Site. If you can’t remember whether you gave, ask Joel at shwimer@alum.mit.edu.