


Back-to-Class

Reunion 2009

All classes, workshops, and panel discussions are offered free of charge and are open to alumnae and their guests. Most classes are offered on the afternoon of Friday, May 29, starting at 1:15PM. Classes are arranged by sessions to allow you and your guests to attend more than one class. *Signup sheets listing class locations and times will be posted in the reunion registration room. There is no advance registration.*

For alumnae unable to attend reunion, the Alumnae Association will offer live Webcasts of the classes marked with this symbol: . Information on viewing the live Webcasts will be made available closer to the time at www.alumnae.mtholyoke.edu/go/reunion.

Please visit the Web site for full descriptions of classes and for any updates or additions to the list below. For questions about Back-to-Class, please contact Maya D'Costa, director of campus programs and global initiatives, at 413-538-2066 or mdcosta@mtholyoke.edu.

Preliminary List of Classes:

Why the System of Medical Research and Drug Development is Flawed and What You Can Do about It, Alison Bass, visiting senior lecturer in English

Genetics and Genealogy: Are We the Seed of Abraham?, Curtis G. Smith, professor emeritus of biological sciences

De-stress Fitness, Maryloyd Claytor '74, music teacher, Pittsburgh public schools

The Song of the Seven-Colored Sari: Cloth and Textiles in Indian Life and Poetry, Indira V. Peterson, David B. Truman Professor of Asian Studies and Five College Fortieth Anniversary Professor

Symbiotic Relationships in the Termite Hindgut, Jeffrey A. Knight, associate professor and chair of biological sciences

Internet for Beginners!, MHC Library, Information, and Technology Services (LITS) staff

Director's Tour of the Mount Holyoke College Art Museum, Marianne Doezema, director of the Mount Holyoke College Art Museum

Renee Fleming: An American Treasure, Susan P. Macfarlane '54, opera patron and producer of the Singing Opera Bears

Understanding the Chinese Five Elements to Improve Your Career and Relationships, Leta Herman '89, LMT, acupressure/Chinese medicine practitioner

Are You Prepared for Volatility? Investors Can Make the Best of Turbulent Times, Alison S. Perrin '84, certified financial planner

Truth, Lies, and Politics, Elizabeth Markovits, assistant professor of politics

An Exploration of Mount Holyoke's History Found in the Archives, Patricia J. Albright, Archives librarian, Library, Information, and Technology Services

Stages in the Inner Transformation Process, Jill Kelly '69, Ph.D., psychology

Carbon Sequestration in Forest Lands: an Introduction, Thomas L. Millette, associate professor and chair of geology and geography

CEO of Me: Creating a Life That Works in the Flexible Job Age, Ellen Ernst Kossek '79, professor of organizational behavior and human resource management, Michigan State University, School of Labor & Industrial Relations

America's Changing Role in the World: A Changing America in a Changing World, Vincent A. Ferraro, Ruth C. Lawson Professor of Politics and Chair of International Relations 

The US Economic Crisis: Causes and Solution, Fred B Moseley, professor of economics 

Transitions and Lifelong Learning



Reunion 2009

May 29-31

 **ALUMNAE
ASSOCIATION**
MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

Organized by the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College

Dear Mount Holyoke College Alumna,

As your Alumnae Association president, I am thrilled to invite you to Reunion 2009. We all anticipate a weekend of rekindled friendships, memories, and warm connections. This reunion is particularly meaningful to me, as it will be my last as president. It has been my privilege to serve the alumnae community these last three years, and a pleasure to meet and become closer to so many of you. It has also been a great pleasure to welcome our new executive director, Jane E. Zachary. Jane joined the Alumnae Association in January, and is looking forward to her first Mount Holyoke reunion!

Our theme for Reunion II, **"Transitions and Lifelong Learning,"** expresses the strong commitment Mount Holyoke alumnae have to intellectual engagement at every stage in our lives. Reunion is a wonderful opportunity to deepen that engagement. Back on campus, we continue our tradition of learning more about the world—and about ourselves. Toward that end, we've added stimulating new additions to our Back-to-Class program. We've also added a wine tasting and a special reception for alumnae, faculty, and emeriti faculty. For those who can stay on, we've created two post-reunion workshops, one on life transitions and one on golf, both starting on Sunday afternoon. More information on these exciting programs can be found on the reverse of this brochure.

Reunion is also a time to renew our ties to the College. We return to see the splendor of the campus in May, to march in the alumnae parade, and to re-experience the strong bonds with classmates and others who helped shape our lives. The Alumnae Association and your class officers have worked and planned for more than a year to bring you a first-class reunion program. This brochure shows you highlights of the weekend and answers questions alumnae often ask. A reservation form is also included in your packet.

I look forward to seeing you at Reunion 2009.

Warmly,



Mary Graham Davis '65
President, Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College

Take a Break at Blanchard

Blanchard Campus Center is yours to enjoy throughout reunion. Food, beverages, and snacks are available at Blanchard Café and Uncommon Grounds, MHC's answer to the local coffee house. Come spend some time at the Mount Holyoke community's favorite meeting place. And receive a 10 percent discount when you show your alumnae one-card!

Thursday, May 28

7:30AM–9:30AM
11:30AM–2:30PM
5–7PM
Blanchard Café open

Saturday, May 30

7:30–9:30AM
11AM–4PM
Blanchard Café open

8AM–4PM
Uncommon Grounds open

Friday, May 29

7:30–9:30AM
11AM–7PM
Blanchard Café open

Sunday, May 31

7:30–9:30AM
11AM–2:30PM
Blanchard Café open

Please be sure to bring...



Your white outfit

(dress, skirt, shorts, slacks) for the parade

...other things you may want to pack...

Umbrella

Reading lamp

Fan

Extra towel

Flashlight

Hair dryer

Bathrobe/slippers

Clothes hangers

Radio/MP3 player/iPod

Alarm clock

Favorite pillow

Extra blanket

Camera

Cell phone

Laptop

Sunscreen

.....remember that New England weather can be unpredictable, so pack accordingly!



Thursday, May 28

3–8PM - Reunion Registration
Mary E. Woolley Hall, New York Room, 2nd floor

4–4:45PM - Meeting of Class Presidents and Reunion Chairs
Willits-Hallowell Center

5–6:30PM - Cooking Demonstration, Wine-Tasting, and Mediterranean Buffet
Pre-registration is required.
Willits-Hallowell Center

Friday, May 29

8AM - Breakfast Buffet
Pre-registration is required.
Willits-Hallowell Center

9AM–10PM - Reunion Registration
Mary E. Woolley Hall, New York Room, 2nd floor
(Exceptions: Class of 1944 registers in the Willits-Hallowell Center; Class of 1949 registers in 1837 Hall)

9–11AM - Archives and Special Collections Exhibit
Class Memorabilia and Photographs

Noon - Lunch and Conversation with President Joanne V. Creighton
Pre-registration is required. Space is limited.
Willits-Hallowell Center, Morrison Room

1–4PM - Sycamores Open House

1–5PM - Archives and Special Collections Exhibit
Class Memorabilia and Photographs

1:15PM - Back-to-Class Begins
(See Back-to-Class listings in this brochure. Sign up at reunion registration.)

1:30–6PM - Career Consulting for Alumnae
Contact Cori Ashworth at 413-538-2080 to make an appointment.

1:30–3:30PM - Tour the New Residence Hall

1:30–4PM - Law Career Advising
Contact: Kimberly Parent at 413-538-2080 to make an appointment.

3:30–4:30PM - Alumnae Choir Rehearsal
Abbey Memorial Chapel

5–6PM - Community Shabbat Gathering

5:30–6:30PM - Alumnae Reception with Faculty and Emeriti Faculty

7–9PM - Talcott Greenhouse Reception

7:30–8:30PM - Japanese Tea Ceremony
Sign up at reunion registration.

8–9PM - President's Reception
For Cornerstone Club members and guests, with President Joanne V. Creighton.

9–10PM - Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

10PM - Reunion Registration Closes

Saturday, May 30

7AM - Buffet Breakfast in Assigned Breakfast Center
Pre-registration required.

7:30–8AM - Yoga on Blanchard Lantern Green
(mats and bottled water provided)

8AM–1PM - Reunion Registration
Mary E. Woolley Hall, New York Room, 2nd floor
(Exceptions: Class of 1944 registers in the Willits-Hallowell Center; Class of 1949 registers in 1837 Hall)

10:15AM - Alumnae Parade
Please begin lining up no later than 10 AM, and don't forget your white clothes! In the event of a downpour, proceed directly to Chapin Auditorium.

11AM–12:30PM - Alumnae Association Meeting

12:30PM - Class Luncheons in Assigned Luncheon Center

1PM - Reunion Registration Closes

1–4PM - Sycamores Open House

1–4PM - Class Photos

1:30–2:30PM - Japanese Tea Ceremony
Sign up at reunion registration.

3–4:30PM - Lyon's Pride Reception

3:30–4:30PM - Japanese Tea Ceremony
Sign up at registration.

4–5:30PM - Alumnae Women of Color Reception

4PM - Catholic Mass
Abbey Memorial Chapel

4:30–5:30PM - Recovery Gratitude Meeting

6PM - Class Social Hours and Banquets

9:30PM–midnight - Class Parties and Programs

Sunday, May 31

7AM - Bird Walk
Sign up at registration. We will be back in time for breakfast. Please bring binoculars.

7:30–8AM - Yoga on Blanchard Lantern Green
(mats and bottled water provided)

7:30AM - Buffet Breakfast in Assigned Breakfast Center
Pre-registration required

9–10AM - Alumnae Choir Rehearsal
All alumnae invited to sing. Please wear white for the service.

9AM–3PM - Plant Sale at the Talcott Greenhouse

9:30AM - Hike up Mt. Holyoke
Transportation available if needed.
Sign up at reunion registration.

10–11AM - Alumnae Interfaith Memorial Service

11:30AM - Sunday Brunch
Willits-Hallowell Center
Pre-registration required

2PM - Checkout

General Information

Archives

Learn more about Mount Holyoke history and help preserve its past. Archives and Special Collections will display class memorabilia and photographs and gratefully accept donations from alumnae. Material alumnae have saved from their college days—letters, diaries, scrapbooks, course papers and notebooks, photographs—is especially welcome. Archives and Special Collections Reading Room, Dwight Hall. Please call 413-538-2013 or visit www.mtholyoke.edu/lits/library/arch/ for more information.

Alumnae Association Office Hours

Located on the 1st floor of Mary E. Woolley Hall. The Alumnae Association office will be open Thursday 8:30AM–8PM, Friday 8:30AM–10PM, Saturday 9AM–10PM, and Sunday 9AM–2PM.

Campus Shuttle Service

The Alumnae Association offers shuttle vans and mini-buses on campus for general assistance. These vehicles circle campus periodically and will stop on demand. Shuttle service ends at 11PM on Friday, 8PM on Saturday, and 2PM on Sunday.

Dietary and Special Needs

Many dietary restrictions (vegetarian, vegan, low fat, etc.) and special needs can be accommodated. Please note dietary/special needs and physical limitations on your reservation form. If you have any questions about what we can provide, please contact Luisa Tavares at 413-538-2201 or at ltavares@mtholyoke.edu.

Emergency Contact Information

If family members or friends need to contact you between the hours of 8:30AM and 10PM, they should call the Alumnae Association office at 413-538-2300 and our staff will get a message to you. After hours, calls should be made directly to Mount Holyoke's Department of Public Safety at 413-538-2304. Members of the class of 1944 can be reached at the Willits-Hallowell Center at 413-538-2217. We recommend that these phone numbers be pre-programmed in to your cell phone for easy access once on campus.

Housing

Alumnae and guests are housed in College residence halls. Due to space constraints, most classes are housed in two or more residence halls, with one designated as the class headquarters. Room accommodations are comfortable but not luxurious. Linens, pillow, blanket, and towels are provided (all beds are singles). Please note that residence halls do not have air conditioning. Rooms are locked; however, we recommend that you leave items of value at home. The Willits-Hallowell Center houses the Loyalty Class (with overflow to a nearby residence hall) and alumnae and guests with special needs.

Parking

Please do not park on Route 116—you will be ticketed. You may temporarily park on the access road adjacent to Mary E. Woolley Hall to register. Parking on campus is for loading and unloading only. At registration you will receive parking information along with a campus map.

Questions

If you have questions regarding reunion, please contact Julie Ogg at 413-538-2159 or jogg@mtholyoke.edu. Please also visit the Alumnae Association Web site at www.alumnae.mtholyoke.edu/go/reunion. For registration questions, contact Luisa Tavares at 413-538-2201 or ltavares@mtholyoke.edu.

Reservations

Registration deadline is April 17. Registrations received after the April 17 deadline will incur a \$25 late fee. Refund Policy: A full refund applies for reservations canceled 14 days prior to an event. A partial refund will apply for reservations canceled less than 14 days prior to an event. Refunds will not be issued for cancellations made after an event.

How to Register

Refer to your class letter for instructions on how to register. You can also visit our Web site at www.alumnae.mtholyoke.edu/go/reunion

Directions

By Car

From the south: Travel north on I-91 to Rte. 202 (Exit 16, Holyoke/South Hadley). Head north on 202 through Holyoke, across the Connecticut River, and around the rotary to the exit marked South Hadley Center-Amherst, Route 116 north. The College is approximately 2.5 miles from the exit.

From the north: Travel south on I-91, take Exit 16 (Holyoke/South Hadley), and follow the directions from the south.

From the Mass Turnpike, east or west: Take Exit 5 (Holyoke/Chicopee) and bear to the right. At the end of the ramp, turn left on Rte. 33 for five miles to Rte. 116. Turn right onto 116 and drive approximately 1.5 miles north to the College.

By Train

The Amtrak stations nearest to South Hadley are the Springfield and Amherst stations. Call Amtrak at 800-872-7245 for ticket prices and schedules or visit www.amtrak.com.

By Plane

Bradley International Airport, serving Hartford, Connecticut, and Springfield, Massachusetts, is 34 miles (45 minutes by car) south of South Hadley on I-91.

Van/Car Service

Several companies provide transportation service to and from campus with advance reservations:

- Valley Transporter (800-872-8752): www.valleytransporter.com
- Michael's Limousine Service (800-533-8470) www.Michaels-limo.com
- Bluebird Airport Transportation (413-221-4512): bluebirdairporttransportation.com
- Century Limousine (413-543-5466): www.543limo.com

By Bus

Peter Pan offers service from Boston and New York City to South Hadley, with transfers in Springfield. For schedules and rate information visit www.peterpanbus.com or call 800-237-8747.



NEW! POST-REUNION WORKSHOPS

Transitions: What's Your Next Step?

Sunday, May 31 - Monday, June 1

A professionally facilitated workshop for 24 alumnae on fulfilling goals and dreams at mid-life and later www.alumnae.mtholyoke.edu/go/transitions or 413-538-2080

Golf Academy

Sunday, May 31 - Wednesday, June 3

Golf instruction by the pros and plenty of time to play at The Orchards golf course and other top-rated courses golfacademy@mtholyoke.edu or 413-538-2300

