

# All Things 50<sup>th</sup> Blog

One Stop Shop for Reunion News and Plans – Updated 06.08.2022 08:11 PDT

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The committee will post a running and up to date summary of all reunion planning and activities here. This will be the primary source of reunion news as promulgated by the various Sitreps, and is endorsed by the Reunion Committee as the best source of the latest and most up to date information for the 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion. Please visit this website link often to stay up to date on reunion news.

Reunion Dates: Thursday October 13 – Sunday October 16

## Update

As of today we have 116 Classmates and 237 total head count (spouses, family representatives, and other attendees) signed on to attend the 50<sup>th</sup>. See the 50<sup>th</sup> Attendees Roster at:

[50 CGA72-Reunion-Sitrep10-FinalAttendeesRoster.pdf](#)

## Update

Attention on Deck! Note this is the FINAL Attendees Roster. Why, since the reunion is still four and a half months away?

Because we will transition from the Attendees Roster to the soon to be promulgated Medallion Ceremony Roster since almost everyone (if not everyone) attending the 50th will attend the Medallion Ceremony, thus no need for two separate lists and the possible ensuing confusion. The Medallion Ceremony Roster will be a commitment to attend as will be explained when the new roster is published in the next few weeks or so.

## Update

[Class Specific List of Events / Schedule / Costs](#)

### Thursday October 13

Time 12noon      Class Golf Outing at Elmridge Golf Course, Pawcatuck CT (6+ foursomes)  
12noon Shotgun Start appx \$72 including cart and prizes.  
GregJ in charge [link to be developed to provide details]

6pm-10pm      Cocktail Party at Mystic Aquarium \$74.72/person

### Friday October 14

11am-12pm      Spouses/Family Representatives Lunch at \*Merle J. Smith Club \$16.72/person

11:15am-12:15pm      Lunch with Cadets in Cadet Wardroom (limited to Classmates) No Charge

12:45pm-1:15pm      Memorial Service for Class of 72 in CGA Memorial Chapel

- 1:15pm Entombment for John Boggs at the Columbarium
- 3:15pm-4:15pm Review of the Corps of Cadets at Parade Field
- 4:30pm 50<sup>th</sup> Year Medallion Ceremony (Roland Hall-third deck, basketball court, now named Merriman Gym)
- 6pm Dinner at the \*Merle J. Smith Club \$59.72/person

\*Merle J. Smith Club is the former Officer's Club

### **Saturday October 15**

- 11am Tailgate at Alumni Center \$15.72/person
- 1pm March-On before football game
- 7pm-11pm Dinner Party (buffet) at the Hilton \$74.72/person

### **Sunday October 16**

No formal events planned, get-away day

As always, the Alumni Association hosts events independent of the Class specific events. A Class and Alumni Events Schedule which lists all reunion events is available at:

[50\\_CGA72-50th-Reunion-ClassScheduleEvents2.pdf](#)

**Update** It appears the Class may will be able to order and pay for events and apparel through one form published by the Alumni Association. Details to follow.

#### Class Headquarters:

Mystic Hilton

As previously passed in the Attendees Roster Sitreps, to make reservations at the Hilton and obtain the Class negotiated rate of \$269 for the period 13-17 October:

call 800-HILTONS (445-8667) & ask for the CGA Class of 72 Room Block

online use the group code **CGA72**

or use the weblink **Booking Link:** <https://group.hilton.com/4sp7k5>

#### **Update**

The Hilton Mystic has notified Tom (Meis) that our multiple blocks of rooms have almost been filled, with 3 rooms remaining for Thursday and Friday, and 5 on Wednesday and Saturday. Please note that another block can not be made available by the hotel at this point since it is almost sold out for the weekend. Meis may be able to work some magic and retain rooms from the blocks which are cancelled, and then have those rooms allocated to Mates or Family Representatives. This is a work in progress, and there is no guarantee this will come to fruition. If you elect to cancel your reservation at the Hilton, please notify Meis first by contacting him at [tmeisenzahl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tmeisenzahl@sbcglobal.net).

(06/07/2022) Meis also reports that the Hyatt Mystic, which was willing to take some of our overruns, is now booked out and not available.

### **Update**

#### COVID Protocol and Restrictions:

As we've all learned over the last two years of the pandemic, COVID protocols and restrictions are fluid. The committee will coordinate closely with CGA and pass the word regarding any COVID related requirements as the 50<sup>th</sup> approaches.

### **Update**

#### Medallion Ceremony

Many may find this to be the most important and meaningful event of the reunion. Our Reunion Committee Coordinator for the Medallion Ceremony is Greg Johnson. Our Class is the guest of the Alumni Association who sponsors the event each year for the 50<sup>th</sup> Class, and Greg is spending considerable time coordinating with the Alumni Association to make this event special. All attendees are encouraged to read the link below regarding the ceremony to understand the protocol each attendee will be asked to follow.

[50 CGA72-MedallionCeremony.pdf](#)

#### Dress Code

**Update** Uniform for March-On: Blue Blazer plus Class Shirt (shirt optional) – Black long sleeve mock turtle neck shirt with multi-color rendition of the Class ring crest on the front. Pic of Class Shirt and more details to be announced in the near term with an email announcing 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion Apparel and order form.

Dress Code for other Class Specific Events: Casual (coat and tie optional). Since the Class Dinner on Friday follows the Medallion Ceremony, Mates may elect to “dress down” and remove coat and tie if they so wish.

#### Class Meeting:

The committee has not scheduled a Class meeting. If someone can identify a need for a meeting, please advise.

#### Transportation

The committee will be contracting for transportation between the Mystic Hilton and CGA. There will be very limited parking at and near CGA for us as the 50<sup>th</sup> Class, details to follow.

Chauffeured golf carts on a roving basis will be providing transportation during reunion events at CGA. If anyone requires dedicated cart transportation, please advise the committee as far in advance as you can, and every effort will be made to accommodate.

Charlie McCarthy and various other committee members are attending Alumni Association Homecoming Reunion Coordinator Meetings. The Alumni Association plays a prominent role in coordination of Class reunion activities with CGA.

Periodic SITREPs will be forthcoming as we progress towards the 50th so stay alert and stay informed. Sitrep updates will be immediately incorporated into this blog. There will be no need to look back to old Sitreps to stay current since this blog will be the latest and most up to date information for "All Things 50<sup>th</sup>."

Please direct questions to Newelli at [twnewell@gmail.com](mailto:twnewell@gmail.com) and he will coordinate a response from the committee.

~Very Respectfully,

Your Reunion Committee

Chairman Charlie McCarthy and Robbie McCarthy, Jim and Janice Norton, Bill and Ella Armstrong, Tom and Elaine Meisenzahl, Tom and Maggi Paar, Tony Stimatz, Tiger McCarthy, Greg Johnson, and Terry Newell.

**"Non pro uno, sed pro omnibus"**  
**Not for one, but for all.**

A GOOD TIME WILL BE HAD BY ALL