
MAINE CENTRAL INSTITUTE ALUMNUS

Day of Giving edition



THE 2ND ANNUAL DOG RACE TO **\$100,000**

Each year, MCI proudly holds a Day of Giving (DOG) for Alumni, Families, Staff, Students, and Friends to participate in supporting the Annual Fund in a fun, directed, collective, and slightly competitive effort. The Annual Fund serves to support the operations and programs offered at the School. As we approach the 159th anniversary of MCI's founding, we are officially one day away from the kickoff of our second annual Day of Giving (DOG) Race to **\$100,000!** We want to thank those who have already made gifts or pledges in anticipation of the start!

The Race is a friendly competition between seven teams:

\$0  **MCI Family & Friends**

\$0  **Young Alumni**

\$0  **1990's**

\$0  **1980's**

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\$0  **1960's**

\$0  **Before '60**

Lane 1 features MCI Family and Friends (Employees, Students, Parents, etc.)

Lane 2 features alumni from the 2000-2023

Lane 3 features alumni from the 1990s

Lane 4 features alumni from the 1980s

Lane 5 features alumni from the 1970s

Lane 6 features alumni from the 1960s

Lane 7 features alumni from the 1959 and before

Throughout the two-day event, we'll provide updates on each team's progress. The Race will commence at 6:00am EST on January 31st and conclude at midnight on February 2. The team with the highest total contributions will be crowned the 2025 DOG Race champions!

Thank you for your support, and even though the race has yet to officially begin, we are accepting gifts and pledges. Simply click the link below, or contact our office at alumni@mci-school.org or (207) 487-5915 to make a gift or pledge.

<https://www.mci-school.org/giving/day-of-giving-2025>

Featured Content



Joe Bell '04 and The Cosmic World of Olympus

A Pittsfield native, Joe Bell '04 grew up as a dreamer with countless adventures that fueled his imagination. With a multitude of professional stops along the way, Bell's early years of boundless energy and the love for his kids would eventually come back and fuel a new growing project. Bell now celebrates his passion for the old and new with his book series *The Cosmic World of Olympus*.

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MCI Welcomes 13 New Boarding Students for Spring Semester

The boarding and residential community at MCI has always been a special and inherent to the identity of our school as a whole. Every school year we welcome new and familiar faces to our campus, and this year we will welcome even more new faces to begin the Spring semester and strengthen our growing global community.

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Campus News

Winter Season Officially Underway for Athletics and Arts

The winter sports season is well past the halfway point for many of our teams and athletes, and it's safe to say it has been a great season so far! The boys and girls basketball teams are both enjoying worthwhile seasons, as the girls build their chemistry under new coach Michael Savage and the boys currently sit in the 9 seed and anxiously await their hopes for a playoff run. The MCI wrestling team continues its history of excellence, as freshman Muiin Cook has made quite the impression with wins at the Husky Winter Classic, Skowhegan Invitational, and runner up at KVAC's. The indoor track team is coming off a strong performance at Bowdoin with a girls 2nd place finish as both teams get ready for KVAC's next Saturday. The cheering team continues to be one of the fastest growing programs at MCI, as the team continues to deliver at more and more competitions including at KVAC's in Augusta earlier this month. With a handful of Huskies now competing in both ice hockey and skiing, there are even more exciting opportunities for winter athletics in the years to come!



Our arts programs have likewise continued to have a strong year capped off with many of our mid-year performances occurring last month to end the new year. Bossov Ballet Theatre ended the year with their annual performance of the Nutcracker at the Waterville Opera House, a timeless festive tradition that is enjoyed by thousands every year and was performed stunningly to a sold out crowd the second week of December.

Earlier that same week, the MCI instrumental and vocal ensembles shared their own performance with the annual Holiday Concert. The concert was filled with both holiday classics and exceptional selections that were sure to delight all in attendance at Parks Gym. Earlier this month the students in Ms. Buzy's Modern Band class treated the community to a performance featuring musicians of all skill levels. Our music programs are now gearing up for the festival season, as the KV Music Festival kicks things off this weekend with the District Jazz festival shortly afterward. It's safe to say that it is an exciting time of year to be an athlete or artist here at MCI!

MCI Alumni Receptions



New York - February 7 - The Times Square EDITION

Hosted by Haley Ingraham Lambert '03 at The Times Square EDITION, come enjoy hors d'oeuvres and time with MCI alumni and friends, joined by Head of School David Pearson and Assistant Head of School for Advancement Tom Bertrand. Cash bar available.



Orlando - March 8 - Boston Lobster Feast

Hosted by Jeff Hazell '79 at his restaurant, Boston Lobster Feast, please stop by for a delicious seafood buffet joined by Head of School David Pearson and Assistant Head of School for Advancement Tom Bertrand. Cash bar available.



Alumni Association Receptions



Broken Putter Grille Room - Pittsfield - January 31

Hosted by the Alumni Association **this Friday**, shake off the winter blues and join us for an evening of fun and camaraderie! Enjoy complimentary Hors d'oeuvres and a variety of golf challenges on JW Parks' brand-new golf simulators. Enjoy live music by Aaron McCannell from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, we hope to see you there!

For more information, please contact us at alumni@mci-school.org or (207) 487-5915



DiMillo's on the Water - Portland - February 22

Hosted by the Alumni Association, come enjoy hors d'oeuvres from noon to 4:00 pm joined by Head of School David Pearson and Assistant Head of School for Advancement Tom Bertrand. Parking is free for customers while at DiMillo's, just bring the parking ticket in to be validated. Cash bar available.

Save the Date:

January 31/February 1: MCI Day of Giving/Board of Trustees Weekend

February 14: District Jazz Festival

February 26 – March 1: Winter Carnival

March 7-8: One Act Regional Competitions



Reunion 2025: August 1st and 2nd!



Are you ready to reunite with classmates and friends old and new? Reunion is now just around the corner, so **SAVE THE DATE: August 1st and 2nd, 2025!**

On the first weekend in August, MCI welcomes alumni back to campus to reconnect with fellow students and teachers, and see how the school has transformed since they were students. MCI Reunion begins with the Alumni Association Golf Scramble on Friday and an awards celebration in the evening, where we recognize our Hall of Fame inductees and our Distinguished Achievement Award recipient. On Saturday, alumni and friends will enjoy a luncheon with one another before heading off to their class parties throughout the area.

Reunion season is always one of those times where you can truly feel the community and kinship that MCI has to offer, even years and decades after you've left the classroom. To view the photos of last year's Reunion and to eventually receive updates on this year's Reunion, please click the link below!

MCI REUNION



THE BELL TOWER CIRCLE

As part of the 2025 Day of Giving kickoff, we are proud to announce the establishment of the Bell Tower Circle, celebrating donors who contribute \$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund during the fiscal year.

Membership in the Circle will be displayed on our website at the link below. The list will be updated following the Day of Giving and recognized in both the Spring Digital *Alumnus* and the Summer Print *Alumnus*.

To join the Bell Tower Circle, make a gift or pledge of \$1,000 or more by clicking the button below, or contact our office via email at alumni@mci-school.org or by phone at (207) 487-5915.



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