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MAINE CENTRAL INSTITUTE ALUMNUS

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Welcome Home

TIME CHANGES... HOME DOESN'T

The school year is already well underway, with many lasting memories already cherished by our MCI community. No matter how long it's been since you've set foot on campus, MCI will always be a place you can call home.

The return to campus is more than just a fresh start — it's a homecoming. Whether in the classroom, on the athletic fields, or through campus activities, there's a sense of belonging and pride that comes with being part of MCI. What better way to celebrate that spirit than by showing your support for the School through a gift to the Annual Fund?

To join us as we say "Welcome Home," you can make a gift to the Annual Fund by clicking the button below or by calling the Advancement Office at (207) 487-5915. Thank you for helping us make MCI a true home for our students!



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FEATURED STORIES



Homecoming 2025 Returns School Spirit to MCI

*Celebrating tradition,
community, and the lasting
bonds that make MCI home.*

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John Kosnow '74: Motivation Comes from Within

*How the post-grad used his time
on the field to influence his work
ethic and passions.*

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Board Member Allen Dyer '63 Prepares for New Book

*Learn what the accomplished
psychiatry educator has to say
about the political divide.*

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CAMPUS NEWS

FALL COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY

*Perhaps the greatest lesson to learn, is how to
spread kindness by supporting those around
you. We are especially proud of our students on
Fall Community Service Day! What a beautiful
day to support our surrounding communities,
rake some leaves, stack some wood, and help
get our surrounding families ready for a cold
winter ahead. Please click the button below for
more photos from this timeless MCI tradition!*

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CULTURAL HERITAGE DAY & FLAG CEREMONY

The annual Cultural Heritage Day & Flag Ceremony is a day dedicated towards celebrating our diverse student body and honoring the nations of each unique culture represented by our students, faculty, and staff. This year, 25 countries spanning 5 different continents were represented at the ceremony! Please see the video below for our recording of this year's ceremony!

FLAG CEREMONY VIDEO

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL - NOVEMBER 27th!

*Are you going to be alone this Thanksgiving? Will you be unable to cook or possibly looking for fellowship this Thanksgiving season? If so, MCI wants to give back to the community we call home. We will once again be partnering with the Pittsfield Police Department to provide a **FREE** Thanksgiving meal to those who wish to come and enjoy a warm, home-cooked meal. Please do not hesitate to reach out for more information, and we look forward to giving thanks and giving back this Thanksgiving!*



RECOGNIZING OUR YOUNG ALUMNI

ISAAC TARDY '20

Isaac Tardy looks back on his time at Maine Central Institute as the place that gave him direction, confidence, and lifelong connections.

During his years at MCI, Isaac was a leader and an active part of student life. He served as class president and was deeply involved in the performing arts, taking part in musical theatre, one-act plays, pep band, and the Caravan vocal ensemble. Outside of school, he performed in productions at the Waterville Opera House and earned top honors at the Berklee College Jazz Festival. With guidance from mentors Dean Neal and Deb Susi, Isaac developed a passion for performing that gave him the confidence to pursue his dreams beyond high school.



When reflecting on his time at MCI, Isaac remembers the excitement of homecoming, decorating floats, leading his class, and feeling the strong sense of community that brought everyone together. He appreciated the small-town feel and the opportunity to form genuine connections with so many people.

After graduating in 2020, Isaac attended The Boston Conservatory at Berklee, earning his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre. While there, a scholarship he received introduced him to the world of philanthropy and showed him how giving back can make a lasting impact on students. Following graduation, Isaac worked with Berklee's Musical Theatre Acting Intensive, supporting visiting artists and helping students grow creatively and personally. He later returned to Pittsfield to substitute teach at MCI before joining MIT's Arts Initiatives team. Today, he serves as Assistant Director of Annual Giving at the MIT Sloan School of Management, where he builds relationships with alumni and connects them to causes that matter most to them.

Isaac says the diverse community at MCI continues to influence the way he connects with people and values different perspectives. The lessons he learned from that environment continue to shape his work and perspective today. When asked what he hopes for MCI's future, Isaac shared, "I hope MCI continues to be a home away from home, a place where people from all over can come together, learn from each other, and grow."

UPDATES FROM OUR OFFICE



WELCOME ABBY FLEMING, MCI'S ALUMNI & DONOR RELATIONS OFFICER

This fall our Alumni/Advancement Office welcomed a new member: Abby Fleming, who joins us as our new Alumni & Donor Relations Officer! As Abby joins our team, you will be hearing more from her and others about how you can become an active participant in MCI's alumni community and future. Please join us in welcoming Abby to our MCI community!

OUR OFFICE HAS MOVED!

The Alumni/Advancement Office has a new home in Weymouth Hall! We are located on the first floor, so just check in at the Lorine Cummings Wellness Center when you arrive and you will be directed over to us. We're settling in and would love to have our Alumni, parents, and friends visit us!



SAVE THE DATE

Keep up to date with everything going on at MCI and beyond!

Drama Performance



November 14th

Thanksgiving Meal



November 27th

Winter Concert



December 9th

The Nutcracker



December 12-14

And Day of Giving 2025 – February 1st!

In Memoriam

June 1st, 2025 – November 1st, 2025

*Rudy Landry
Weldon Greeley '46
Sterling Smith '51
Dexter Dyer '52
Elizabeth Gagne Calise '53
Paul Bird '60
James Gould '60
Ronald Creamer '67
Isaac Robinson '99*

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