

1979 Class Headquarters

Alpha Chi Omega Lounge (Sears House)

Reunion Headquarters

Maddock Alumni Center

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Class of '79 Schedule

Friday, May 22

Noon – 10:30 p.m.

Registration under the tent in Wriston Quadrangle (through Wayland Arch across the street from Maddock Alumni Center). *Wriston Quad*

5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Class Welcome Reception. Our kickoff event will be in our Class of '79 Headquarters in Alpha Chi Omega Lounge (Sears House) in Wriston Quad. Enjoy beverages and hot and cold hors d'oeuvres as you meet and greet old friends. *Class Headquarters*

7:30 p.m.

Dinner on your own. Make your own plans for dinner with friends in restaurant-rich Providence or enjoy the Brown Bear Buffet on campus (see full schedule for buffet details).

9 p.m. – 1 a.m.

Campus Dance. One of Brown's best-loved Reunion Weekend traditions, the Campus Dance brings more than 11,000 people to campus to dance the night away under a sky lit with hundreds of paper lanterns. The College Green is transformed into an outdoor ballroom

with a giant dance floor for swinging to the sounds of the Duke Belaire Orchestra. Lincoln Field is set for the young at heart with two of Brown's student bands.

During the Dance, beverage tokens may be purchased in the Blue Room in Faunce House or behind Wilson Hall on upper Lincoln Field. **New this year:** in the reunion section near Hope College, there will be cocktail service as well as a special boxed dessert for purchase.

The College Green

Saturday, May 23

7:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast in our Class Headquarters. All are welcome, whether you are staying on campus or not — a great way to meet classmates and start your day. Compliments of the University. *Class Headquarters*

7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration under the tent on Wriston Quad for late arrivals. *Wriston Quad*

8:30 a.m.

Alumni All-Class Memorial Service. Join classmates and fellow alumni for this meaningful ceremony. Each reunion class will have a representative to honor the memory of those who have departed our midst since our last reunion. University Chaplain Janet Cooper Nelson will officiate. *Sayles Hall*

9:30 a.m.



Alumni Hour with the President. Hear President Ruth J. Simmons discuss the Plan for Academic Enrichment and the latest developments at Brown.

Lincoln Field

11 a.m. – noon



Alumni Reunion Forums. Explore the experience, knowledge and expertise of the Brown alumni community in these alumni-to-alumni forums. See the full schedule for details.

Noon – 3 p.m.



Alumni Field Day. Catch up with friends under our class tent at what promises to be the best Field Day ever! For lunch, bring your own or enjoy a hometown Rhode Island picnic of cold fried chicken and a variety of sliders including honey mustard chicken, pulled pork and vegetarian ragout alongside an array of picnic salads. Enjoy your picnic with lemonade and finish with famous Rhode Island doughboys. And don't forget to sample the assortment of beer, sangria, soda, and bottled water at the Field Day cash bar.

Expanded activity options include:

- Bruno Activities Zone for kids of all ages
- Soccer and rugby mini-clinics led by Brown players for 3-18 year olds
- Fencing demonstration led by the Brown fencing team for 5-18 year olds
- Whiffle ball, softball and kickball games for all ages
- Alumni rugby and softball games
- Photo opportunity with Bruno

- Magic show by Tommy James
- Musical performance by Dave Binder
- Complimentary ice cream

However you define fun, Alumni Field Day promises to be a fun-filled afternoon for everyone. **Alumni Field Day is completely free with the exception of the picnic.**

If you did not register for the picnic, you may purchase individual-only picnic tickets (\$25 per person) at the Field Day gate. Follow signs near Olney-Margolies Athletic Center (OMAC) on Hope Street for access to Field Day. Pets and outside beverages are not allowed on the athletic fields. *Erickson Athletic Complex Fields – rain or shine*

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

NEW

Alumni Reunion Forums. See 11 a.m. listing.

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

30th Reunion Class Seminar: Politics and Prose. Come hear how our classmates have joined politics and prose in their life and work, moderated by **Margaret Woo '79**, **Amy Goldstein '79**, staff writer for the *Washington Post*, and **David Thigpen '79**, former correspondent for *Time* magazine, will speak on the Obama administration and future social and economic trends. The second half of the program will feature novelist **Alice Lichtenstein '79** and musicians **Deena Shoshkes '79** and **Jon Fried '79**, who will play and discuss music.

Barus and Holley Building, Room 166

7:15 p.m.

Class Photo. Please plan on being part of this memorable photo, whether you plan to purchase a copy or not. *Lincoln Field*

7:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Class Dinner. Join classmates and friends under a spacious tent in one of Brown's newest and most unique outdoor spaces. Enjoy a New England-style clambake and entertainment by The Revolutionary Snake Ensemble led by Ken Field '74. This special event is sure to be the highlight of the weekend! *Lincoln Field Tent*

Sundown (approx. 8:30 p.m.) – midnight

NEW

WaterFire Providence. Ninety-seven bonfires hover above the surface of the river and thread through the half-mile of downtown Providence's Waterplace Park. Enjoy this spectacular award-winning multimedia fire installation created by artist and alumnus Barnaby Evans '75. Sponsored by Brown University's Commencement and Reunion offices. *Downtown Providence*

Sunday, May 24

7 a.m. – 9 a.m.

NEW

Pre-Commencement Procession

Breakfast. All are welcome! Get energized for the day with a complete hot breakfast buffet. Choose from pancakes, eggs, home fries, fruit, muffins, cereal, coffee, juice, and lots more. If you did not register for this breakfast, you may purchase full-price tickets at the door. *Sharpe Refectory*

9 a.m.

Commencement Procession. One of Brown's oldest and greatest traditions, the Commencement Procession brings together the entire Brown community. This is pure excitement and nostalgia — don't miss your chance to march through the Van Wickle Gates behind our 30th Reunion banner. New this year, classes will be lining up for the procession beginning on the path in front of University Hall and continuing past Rhode Island Hall onto George Street — be sure to look for our 30th Reunion signs and student staff member on George Street. *The College Green*

Noon – 2:30 p.m.

NEW

Alumni Grab 'n' Go Lunch. After your return up the Hill, grab lunch as Reunion Weekend comes to an end. The extended hours at your class headquarters will allow you to enjoy the company of your classmates or, if weather permits, have an impromptu picnic on campus. If you did not register for this lunch, you may purchase full-price tickets at the door. *Sharpe Refectory*