WELCOME BACK TO THE BANKS OF THE RED CEDAR

The Kedzie Reunion is an occasion to celebrate you and what you've accomplished since your time on campus.

VICTORY FOR MSU

On the banks of the Red Cedar,
There's a school that's known to all;
Its specialty is winning,
And those Spartans play good ball;
Spartan teams are never beaten,
All through the game they fight;
Fight for the only colors,
Green and White.

Go right through for MSU,
Watch the points keep growing.
Spartan teams are bound to win,
They’re fighting with a vim.
Rah! Rah! Rah!
See their team is weakening,
We’re going to win this game.
Fight! Fight! Rah! Team, Fight!
Victory for MSU.
KEDZIE REUNION AT A GLANCE

8:30 – 10 A.M.  Registration

10:30 A.M. – NOON  MSU Archives Open House

11 A.M. – NOON  Beal Botanical Garden Tours

1:30 – 2:30 P.M.  Phantom of the Universe Show

2 – 3 P.M.  Beal Botanical Garden Tours

BEGINS AT 6 P.M.  MSU Homecoming Parade

7 – 9 P.M.  MSU Homecoming Parade Reception
REGISTRATION

**Time:** 8:30 - 10 a.m.

**Location:** Spartan Stadium Lobby

**Closest Visitor Parking:** Lots 79 and 62

Stop in any time to pick up your name badge and schedule of events, commemorative 50-year pin and gift bag, get your photo taken with the Kedzie Cane and see the original Spartan statue. Coffee and pastries will be available.

MSU ARCHIVES OPEN HOUSE

**Time:** 10:30 a.m. – Noon

**Location:** Room 101 Conrad Hall, 943 Conrad Rd.

**Closest Visitor Parking:** Lot 112

Stop in any time during this open house to see how the MSU Archives uses their collection of documents, photos and audio-visual materials to preserve the history of the university and alumni.

BEAL BOTANICAL GARDEN TOURS

**Times:** 11 a.m. – Noon.

**Location:** Beal Botanical Garden

**Closest Visitor Parking:** Lot 62

There are two tour options available:

**Tour 1: History of Beal Botanical Garden**
This tour will showcase the story of the Beal Botanical Garden with a particular emphasis on the last 50 years. The tour will begin at the Beal Garden pond.

**Tour 2: On the Banks of the Red Cedar: Restoring the Riverbank**
This tour will highlight the Red Cedar riverbank restoration efforts. The tour will begin at the picnic tables by the river, close to the MSU library bridge over the Red Cedar.
PHANTOM OF THE UNIVERSE SHOW

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Location: Abrams Planetarium, 755 Science Rd.

Closest Visitor Parking: Ramp 1/Lot 51

This show is an exciting exploration of dark matter, from the Big Bang to its anticipated discovery at the Large Hadron Collider.

BEAL BOTANICAL GARDEN TOURS

Times: 2 – 3 p.m.

Location: Beal Botanical Garden

Closest Visitor Parking: Lot 62

There are two tour options available:

Tour 1: History of Beal Botanical Garden
This tour will showcase the story of the Beal Botanical Garden with a particular emphasis on the last 50 years. The tour will begin at the Beal Garden pond.

Tour 2: On the Banks of the Red Cedar: Restoring the Riverbank
This tour will highlight the Red Cedar riverbank restoration efforts. The tour will begin at the picnic tables by the river, close to the MSU library bridge over the Red Cedar.

Your name badge specifies the events you’ve registered for and we request that you wear it at all events to gain admittance to the venue. Due to venue capacities, we cannot accommodate walk-ins/changes to your schedule.
MSU HOMECOMING PARADE

Time: Begins at 6 p.m.
Location: East Lansing and the MSU Campus
Closest Visitor Parking: Varies

The parade features the Spartan Marching Band, Michigan high school marching bands, MSU campus groups, community organizations, university officials, Sparty and more.

Check out the Homecoming Parade map to figure out your best place to watch the parade.

< View the parade map

MSU HOMECOMING PARADE RECEPTION

Time: 7 – 9 p.m.
Location: Cowles House, 1 Abbot Rd.
Closest Visitor Parking: Ramp 6

After the Homecoming Parade, join the Grand Marshal, Court, parade judges and volunteers, alumni club and college alumni board members and other select guests for heavy hors d’oeuvres and beer, wine and non-alcoholic beverages in historic Cowles House.
OTHER ACTIVITIES

MSU LIBRARIES

Current Hours: Varies
Closest Visitor Parking: Lot 62

Stop in to see how the library’s changed since your time as a student.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT

• A Catalog of Early Works in the Ray Stannard Baker Bee Collection

Visit the website

MSU MUSEUM

Current Hours: Tues. - Sat., 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Closest Visitor Parking: Ramp 6/Lot 103

Admission is free, but registration is required. Register in person at the museum’s welcome center on the ground floor.

SPECIAL EXHIBITS

• Knowing Nature: Stories of the Boreal Forest
• The Tree of Peace Saves the Earth
• Prompt Response: Exploring Generative Artificial Intelligence
• WKAR’s Legacy of Innovation
• Sounds of Religion

Visit the website

MSU DAIRY STORE

Current Hours: Wed. - Sun., 12 – 9 p.m.
Closest Visitor Parking: Lot 42

Visit the website
BROAD ART MUSEUM

Current Hours: Wed. - Sun., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Closest Visitor Parking: Ramp 6/Lot 103

Admission is free, but reservations are required and can be obtained online. The museum store features artist-made items and innovative design, such as stationery, jewelry and home goods. Visit the museum café for cold drinks and snacks.

SPECIAL EXHIBITS

- Shouldn’t You Be Working? 100 Years of Working from Home
- Andrea Canepa: As we dwell in the fold
- Resistance Training: Arts, Sports and Civil Rights
- Seeing in 360 Degrees: The Zaha Hadid Design Collection

< Visit the website

CAMPUS ART TOUR

Current Hours: Varies
Closest Visitor Parking: Lot 62

Interspersed throughout the campus landscape is a vast collection of public art: 153 pieces including paintings, lithographs, photographs, interior and exterior sculptures, architectural glass, tile mosaics and a digital projection installation.

< Visit the website
DINING ON CAMPUS

Current Hours: Varies

Closest Visitor Parking: Varies based on location

While you’re here, why not eat in one of the dining halls on campus. There are also a variety of retail options, including Sparty’s mini-markets, Starbucks and food courts.

Dining Hall Public Pricing:

• Breakfast: $9 plus tax

• Lunch or Dinner: $13 plus tax

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING INFORMATION

There is no group transportation for this event. There are various ramps and lots across campus available for visitor parking. Visitors park and pay for their time at either pay-by-plate lots or metered spaces, depending on location. Parking rates are $2/hour.

CAMPUS MAP

Explore campus with interactive maps and directions.
ABOUT THE KEDZIE CANE
The Kedzie Cane, also known as the “Kedzie Old-Timers Stick,” is a tradition that dates back to 1931. It was in that year that former president, Frank S. Kedzie, donated a cane that was previously owned by his father, Robert Clark Kedzie. The cane itself is 37 inches long, features intricate carvings and is made from coffee wood. Starting in 1929 at the suggestion of Dr. Kedzie, MSU began hosting an event for alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. It was at the third annual luncheon that the cane was presented to the oldest living alumnus in attendance, Daniel Strange, class of 1867.

MSU TREASURES AND TRADITIONS
From painting the rock to the Midnight Scream, the Spartan experience is known for its strong traditions and shared memories. These traditions unite us — not just during our time on campus, but for a lifetime. Take a look at “Thy Praises, MSU: Treasures and Traditions of Michigan State University.”

My favorite MSU memory is...
Meeting my good friend Connie who has been a good friend ever since. I remember that I taught full time and took classes part time and full in the summer. I just know that I had to work very hard!

— Margaret Clarke, M.A. Special Education ‘73

My favorite MSU memory is...
Meeting my wife of 49 years, Duffy beating OSU when #1, Vietnam protests and People’s Park in back of International Center, watching hockey for 50 cents at Dem Hall with a bottle of Ripple, and both of our kids graduating from MSU as well.

— Richard Rose, B.S. Communication ‘73; M.A. Curriculum & Instruction ‘79; E.D.S. ‘91
My favorite MSU professor was...

Our general surgical teacher with his southern drawl, his vast knowledge on surgery, his guidance during student surgery and his friendliness and patience with the students. I recall that his name was Professor Krahwinkle.

— Daniel Hoekema, D.V.M. ’73

My favorite MSU memory is...

Summers, when most undergrad students had left campus and it was mostly the graduate students who stayed on campus to continue to pursue their degrees. I remember all the afternoons lying on the grass next to the Red Cedar River studying or just reading and looking out at the campus as if it was all mine and no one else’s. Then, in September, all the students and their families came back to “my” campus. But fall wasn’t so bad because I could walk the campus and stop to watch the marching band start rehearsing for the upcoming football season.

— Kenneth Goldberg, Ph.D. in Mathematics ’73

My favorite MSU memory is...

Meeting people from around the world at the International Center, being a RA in Bryant and in Wonders!

— Larry D. Simpson, B.A. in Special Education ’73; M.A. Special Education ’79

My favorite MSU memory is...

Three years in the Marching Band, awesome performances (Rubber Ducky show, Fiddler on the Roof show), absolute high energy charge when we kick-stepped out of the stadium tunnel and 70,000+ roared with delight.

— Randy Olmstead, B.A. Marketing ’73

My favorite MSU memory is...

Being grad students, we had access to the micro labs. We harvested grapes from vines near the railroad tracks and made wine from them. It turned out to be a great wine. In fact some bottles of the batch were found ten years after we had graduated and it was still good.

— William Baran, Ph.D. Food Science and Human Nutrition ’73
MSU SHADOWS

MSU, we love thy shadows
When twilight silence falls,
Flushing deep and softly paling
O’er ivy covered halls;
Beneath the pines we’ll gather
To give our faith so true,
Sing our love for Alma Mater
And thy praises, MSU.

When from these scenes we wander
And twilight shadows fade,
Our mem’ry still will linger
Where light and shadows played;
In the evening oft we’ll gather
And pledge our faith anew,
Sing our love for Alma Mater
And thy praises, MSU.