



Thursday, August 7, 2003

Reflections

Last year's 2002 honorary award recipients:

- **Adrienne Mohammed,**
George Gangi
Inspiration Award
- **Kim and Rose Hoban,**
VFW Volunteer
of the Year Award
- **Joanne Milas,**
VFW Coach of
the Year Award
- **Jay Berger and
Robert Gutierrez,**
Bill Givens Award

Master head designed by
**Jack Gregory, Medical Media
VAMC Indianapolis, Indiana**

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Welcome to Maine!

On behalf of the Togus VA Medical/Regional Office Center, welcome to Orono, Maine. We hope you enjoy the beauty of our state and the competition of the Games. But most of all, we hope you enjoy the camaraderie of fellow veterans and friends.

The Mainely Gold Committee, along with staff and volunteers, have one goal in common – to help you, the participant, have a most enjoyable and rewarding experience during your stay in Maine. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance.

To help you in identifying us and the particular function we are performing at the Games, we will be wearing shirts colored according to what committee we represent. For example, a person wearing a lime shirt assists with transportation. A list of the shirt colors, and what the color represents is as follows:

Tee Shirts

- Red – Medical
- Tan – Participants
- Yellow – Volunteers
- Sand – Coaches
- Lime – Transportation

Polo Shirts

- Sage Green – Cte. Members
- Blue – Committee Chairs

- Sapphire – Public Affairs
- Natural – National Officials
- Burgundy – VFW Officials
- Forest Green – VIP

Our state's motto is "*Maine, the way life should be.*" You are about to see why Maine is worth a visit that lasts a lifetime. Enjoy the competition, events, and special programs. We look forward to making a "Maine-iac" out of you!



Bass Harbor Light, located within Acadia National Park

Opening Ceremonies

Tonight's Opening Ceremonies begin at 7:00 p.m., under the Tent. Participants should arrive by 6:30 p.m., for seating. Don't forget to wear your team shirt!

Today's Schedule

Lunch	11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	Hilltop Commons
Dinner	4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.	Hilltop Commons
Opening Ceremonies	7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Under the Tent

Alternate Activities



Cole Transportation Museum

Buses leave from the Orchard Parking Lot
8:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 1:30 p.m.
(Buses return about 2 1/2 hours later.)

Shuttle to Bangor Mall

Buses leave from the Orchard Parking Lot:
Every hour on the hour

Test Your Knowledge

1. Maine shares its border with how many other states?
a. 1 b. 2 c. 3
2. Which city is the capital of Maine?
a. Augusta b. Bangor c. Portland
3. Togus was the first Veterans Hospital in the United States. The facility was founded in what year?
a. 1850 b. 1866 c. 1890

What is the summer's average high and low temperatures in Maine?

The state has one of the most comfortable summer climates in the United States, with daytime temperatures averaging about 70 degrees Fahrenheit and occasionally hitting the 90's. However, temperatures are known to reach 100 degrees Fahrenheit. Summer nights are usually cool and comfortable.

What is the average snowfall in Maine?

A total winter snowfall averages between 60 and 90 inches, making the state very popular with skiers and other winter sports enthusiasts.

The "Bear Facts"

Welcome to the University of Maine – *Black Bear Country*. Our 660 acres campus includes 161 buildings with a biking/hiking and cross-country ski trails in University Forest. Total student enrollment is approximately 10,698, with 85 percent of the students being from Maine. UMaine awards more undergraduate and graduate degrees than any other higher education institution in the state. Enjoy your stay at UMaine and good luck in your competitions!

Medical Information
Edith Patch Hall, Suite 100

Lost & Found
Information Table
Hilltop Commons

Dining Hall
Hilltop Commons

Transportation Center
Baumann-Nelson House
Great Room

Wheelchair Repair
Somerset Hall
Room 120

HP Internet Cafe
Edith Patch Hall
Room 113