

Schedule of Events

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VISIT THE HOMECOMING WEBPAGE

Full details about the schedule, accommodations, special announcements, and class reunions can be found at www.southwestern.edu/homecoming. Check back for schedule updates throughout the summer and early fall. Register online through Tuesday, October 13, 2026.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

After October 13, the University staff cannot guarantee event tickets. Registration will not be available between October 13–22. Onsite registration will open:

Friday, October 23 (2:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.)
Saturday, October 24 (9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.)

Red and Charline McCombs Campus Center, Charles and Elizabeth Prothro Bishops Memorial Lounge

QUESTIONS

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Events are open to all except where noted “by invitation only.”

KEY: Ⓟ = SU Parent Recommended

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026

8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.	**S.O.S. (Semester of Support) for New Teachers** (*by invitation only*) RSVP to rouhiainm@southwestern.edu by Friday, September 11. *Mood-Bridwell Hall, Room 246*
9:00 a.m.	Ⓟ **SU 560 Groundbreaking Ceremony** Help celebrate the official start of construction on the Southwestern University 560 development and the City of Georgetown's new Customer Service Center. Hear from University and City leaders, enjoy local food trucks, and help kick off this historic milestone with a ceremonial shovel turn. Read more here. *Enter at Smith Creek Road and University Avenue*
11:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.	**Golden Anniversary and 50+ Society Reception and Luncheon** Cost: $35 *Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Reception in the Bishops Memorial Lounge and Lunch in the McCombs Ballrooms*
11:00 a.m.–2:30 p.m.	Ⓟ **Lunch in the Commons** If you would like to eat lunch on campus, you may pay for your meal at the cashier's station in front of the Commons. *Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, J.E. and L.E. Mabee Commons*
12:30–2:00 p.m.	Ⓟ **Sociology & Anthropology Department Lunch and Panel** Come hear five alumni panelists as they share with current students how their degrees have shaped their professional paths. Lunch provided. Mood-Bridwell Hall, Room 124
2:00–5:00 p.m.	Ⓟ **Library Book Sale** The A. Frank Smith, Jr. Library is offering used books, with a special emphasis on art and cook books, for sale to the campus community. You may take as many books as you want, and in return, we ask that you make a donation to the library *A. Frank Smith Jr. Library Center*
2:00–5:00 p.m.	Ⓟ **Academic Department Coffee Catch-Up** The following academic departments invite alumni and families to stop by to meet current faculty members and hear about what is

happening in the department these days. All events are come-and-go. Don't be surprised to see a few of your favorite retired faculty there, too!

Classics, Chinese, French and German
2:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe

Economics & Business
3:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe

Education
3:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe

Art History
3:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe

History
3:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Patio

Psychology
3:00 p.m.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, The Cove

Environmental Studies
3:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, 2nd Floor Terrace

Political Science
4:00 p.m.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe

Biology Sweet Treats
4:00 p.m.
Fondren-Jones Science Center Patio

Kinesiology
4:00 p.m.
Fondren-Jones Science Center, Kinesiology Lab (4th floor)

2:30–9:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Registration and Information Desk**
Get everything you'll need for a great weekend. Attendees who have registered may pick up tickets and nametags. Onsite registration will be available.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bishops Memorial Lounge

3:00–5:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Distinctive Collections Open House**
A. Frank Smith Library Center, Distinctive Collections

4:00–5:30 p.m.

Alumni Networking Meet-up
Alumni who wish to have a professional networking conversation will be connected with current students. Light snacks will be provided.
Charles & Elizabeth Prothro Center for Lifelong Learning, Atrium

4:00–6:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **100 Years of the United Methodist Student Fellowship**
Celebrate our University's ongoing United Methodist heritage with students and fellow alumni. The event is hosted by the United Methodist Student Fellowship.
Mood-Bridwell Hall, Atrium

4:30–5:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center Open House**
Come see one of the newest buildings on campus. Tour the building, including a gallery featuring rotating exhibits and a beautiful series in the lobby painted by our late faculty member, Star Varner.
Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center

5:00–6:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Alpha Chi National Honor Society Induction**
Juniors and seniors inducted into Alpha Chi will be notified in late September. Family members and alumni members of Alpha Chi are invited to the induction and reception following.
Fondren-Jones Science Center, Cullen Atrium

6:00–8:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Phi Delta Theta Open House**
Come celebrate 140 years of the Texas Gamma Chapter of Phi Delta Theta.
Phi Delta Theta House

6:00–8:00 p.m.

President's Appreciation Celebration *(by invitation only)*
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center

6:00–10:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Friday Night Lights: Homecoming Biergarten**

Dinner on the Mall Ticket Cost: $20

Come on out to relax with friends and enjoy live music. Get in the spirit for the big game by making your own Homecoming mum and cheering on our Pirate athletes during a Pep Rally!

6:00-10:00 p.m.: Live Music by High Strung Band
6:00-8:00 p.m.: Dinner on the Mall
6:00-9:00 p.m.: Mini Mums
8:15-8:45 p.m.: Pirate Pep Rally
8:00-10:00 p.m.: Decades Parties

Roy H. Cullen Academic Mall

6:00–9:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Mini Mums**

Make your own mini Homecoming mum to wear or to take home as a keepsake.

Roy H. Cullen Academic Mall

7:00 p.m.

Kappa Sigma Open House and Poker Tournament

Kappa Sigma House

8:15-8:45 p.m.

Ⓟ **Pirate Pep Rally**

Whether they're on the field, the court, or in the water, our Pirates give it their all—now it's our turn to show them what home-turf pride looks like. Watch performances by the SU Cheer and Pom Squads, and look for an appearance of our own Captain!

Roy H. Cullen Academic Mall

8:00–10:00 p.m.

Decades Parties

Complimentary snacks will be provided at the bar. Beverages will be available by purchasing drink tickets.

1960s: *Library Deck*
1970s: *Library Deck*
1980s: *Academic Mall*
1990s: *Academic Mall*
2000s: *Academic Mall*
2010s: *Academic Mall*
2020s: *Academic Mall*

9:00–10:15 p.m.

Ⓟ **Campus Tour with a Twist**
Cost: $20
Join us for an interactive experience blending Southwestern trivia, a scavenger hunt, and a pub crawl. Space is limited.
Tours Depart from the Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Concourse

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

9:00 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Registration and Information Desk**
Get everything you'll need for a great weekend. Attendees who have registered may pick up tickets and nametags. Onsite registration will be available.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bishops Memorial Lounge

9:00 a.m.

Kappa Sigma Doughnuts and Coffee Breakfast
Kappa Sigma House

9:30–11:00 a.m.

Ⓟ **Business Breakfast: Innovators Cup**
Cost: $15
The Business Club and the Economics and Business Department invites alumni, parents, and friends for a friendly team competition where guests and students will work together to develop a brief pitch. Prizes and bragging rights are on the line!
Charles and Elizabeth Prothro Center for Lifelong Learning, Atrium

9:30–11:00 a.m.

Ⓟ **Southwestern Alumni in Ministry Breakfast**
Cost: $15
Hear campus spiritual and religious life updates from Chaplain Ron Swain and from fellow alumni in the field. Anyone connected to Southwestern in professional ministry from any faith tradition is invited to attend.
Mood-Bridwell Atrium

9:30–10:45 a.m.

Ⓟ **Healthcare Professionals Breakfast**
Cost: $15
Those who work in the broad field of health care are invited to come together to meet with current students pursuing careers in health care, to learn about our recent graduates entering

professional programs, and to network with each other. David Clifford ’71, will serve as our keynote speaker.
Fondren-Jones Science Center, Cullen Atrium

8:30 a.m. (set-up)
9:30 a.m. (tailgate begins)

Ⓟ **Tailgating**
Socialize with friends prior to the Homecoming Football Game for the first time on our own home turf. Please review the official tailgating policies before set-up. Stop by the Southwestern University Alumni Association tent for breakfast refreshments.
Alumni House, One Taylor Road

10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Library Book Sale**
The A. Frank Smith, Jr. Library is offering used books, with a special emphasis on art and cook books, for sale to the campus community. You may take as many books as you want, and in return, we ask that you make a donation to the library
A. Frank Smith Jr. Library Center

10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Homecoming Lounge**
Looking for a cool spot to catch up with friends? Stop by the Bishops Lounge for refreshments and a comfortable seat to catch a game on the big screen.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bishops Memorial Lounge

10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Brunch in the Commons**
If you would like to eat brunch on campus, you may pay for your meal at the cashier’s station in front the Commons.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, J.E. and L.E. Mabee Commons

Noon

Ⓟ **Southwestern Football Game**
Cost: $10
Watch the Pirates take on the Rhodes Lynx at our brand new Multi-Purpose Athletic Complex. A short dedication is set for 11:45 a.m., followed by Kick-Off at Noon. Stay for halftime to see the crowning of the Homecoming Court, sponsored by the Student Government Association. Note: Live streaming locations include the Bishops Lounge and the Cove.
Multi-Purpose Athletic Complex

1:00–10:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Jaysn Jameson Memorial Endowed Scholarship Silent Auction**
1:00-5:30 p.m.: *Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Concourse*
6:00-10:00 p.m.: *Roy H. Cullen Academic Mall*

2:00–4:00 p.m.

Delta Zeta Affinity Group Reception
Cost: $5
Delta Zeta Sisters will catch up and reconnect over refreshments and snacks.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, J.E. & L.E. Mabee Commons, Dan Rather Room

2:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Kappa Alpha Order Actives and Alumni Gathering**
Buffet luncheon and open chapter for Xi Chapter alumni, actives, and guests.
Kappa Alpha Order House

2:30–4:00 p.m.

Tower Signing
Stop by the Cullen Tower to admire the signatures of SU alumni from all generations. To add your name to the Tower, you can make a gift at the event. (Note: While all guests can go up and view the Tower, only Southwestern alumni and December 2026 graduates are eligible to sign the Tower.)
Roy & Lillie Cullen Building, Classroom 300

2:30–7:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Pi Kappa Alpha Open House**
Pi Kappa Alpha House

3:00–5:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Alpha Delta Pi Open House**
Join us for light refreshments and activities with the Chapter.
Sharon Lord Caskey Center, Alpha Delta Pi Chapter Room

3:00–5:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Alpha Xi Delta Alumnae and Parent Open House**
Sharon Lord Caskey Center, Alpha Xi Delta Chapter Room

3:00–5:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Alpha Phi Omega Reunion**
Join the Alpha Gamma Kappa chapter of APO to catch up and connect over refreshments and activities. Hear from current students about how they're participating in leadership, friendship, and service - and ways you can support their ongoing work. Friends and family of APO members and alumni welcome at this

come-and-go event!
Charles & Elizabeth Prothro Center for Lifelong Learning, Atrium

3:00–6:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Distinctive Collections Open House**
A. Frank Smith Library Center, Distinctive Collections

3:30-5:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Cafecito, Hosted by the SU Familia Hispanic Alumni Connection Group**
Alumni, students, and families are invited for cafecito, pan dulce, and connection! We will have Loteria, crafts, and a movie for the young and young at heart. This event is open to all; membership in the group is not required to attend.
F.W. Olin Building, Lobby

3:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Tri Delta Open Chapter and Milestone Ceremonies**
Join Theta Epsilon for an alumnae reception and celebration of those marking their 10-, 25-, and 50- year milestones. If you and your pledge sisters wish to participate in a Milestone Ceremony, email Georgianne Hewett, TE '87 at georgiannehewett@gmail.com.
Sharon Lord Caskey Center, Delta Delta Delta Chapter Room

4:00–6:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Zeta Tau Alpha Open Chapter**
Sharon Lord Caskey Center, Zeta Tau Alpha Chapter Room

4:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Iota Chapter Kappa Sigma Fraternity Homecoming 140th Anniversary Special Presentation**
Cocktail hour will follow a special recognition of the Chapter's history.
Kappa Sigma House Patio

4:00–6:00 p.m.

Reunion Parties
Cost: $20

Class of 1966: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Lobby*
Class of 1971: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Lobby Lounge*
Class of 1981: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Gallery*
Class of 1986: *Mood-Bridwell Hall, Lord Cafe*
Class of 1991: *Mood Bridwell Hall, 2nd Floor Terrace*
Class of 1996: *Mood Bridwell Hall, Room 124*

Class of 2001: *Fondren Jones Science Center, Cullen Atrium*
Class of 2006: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Second Floor Terrace*
Class of 2011: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, East Courtyard*
Class of 2016: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Center Courtyard*
Class of 2021: *Dorothy Perry White Welcome Center, Java City Cafe Patio*

4:00–6:00 p.m.

Class of 1976 50th Reunion Celebration
Mood-Bridwell Atrium

5:30-8:30 p.m.

Ⓟ **Black Alumni Network Family Reunion**
Cost: $20
All are invited to join the Black Alumni Network for its second annual family reunion, held in conjunction with the Black Student Union. Food, music, and memories will be shared. This event is open to all; membership in the group is not required to attend.
Julie Puett Howry Center

6:00–10:00 p.m.

Ⓟ **Homecoming Picnic and Biergarten**
Picnic Ticket Cost: $30
All members of the Southwestern community are invited to enjoy this Homecoming tradition since 1909!

6:00-8:00 p.m. - Homecoming Picnic
6:00-8:00 p.m. - Faculty Emeritus Tent
6:00-8:00 p.m. - Kappa Sigma Anniversary Tent
6:00-8:00 p.m. - Phi Delta Theta Anniversary Tent
6:00-8:00 p.m. - Pi Kappa Alpha Alumni Tent
6:00-8:30 p.m. - Live Music by Mike Middleton ’85 and the Middletones, and The PhDs
8:00-9:30 p.m. - Class of 2027 Senior Social
8:30-10:00 p.m. - Request your favorites from the DJ

7:00–9:00 p.m.

Pirates for Pride Presents: Drag Me to Bingo
Ticket Cost: $20
Join the Pirates for Pride student organization for an evening of lively bingo and entertainment. Proceeds support the Pirates for Pride organization.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, McCombs Ballrooms

8:00–9:30 p.m.	**Class of 2027 Senior Social** Get a preview of all the fun you will have as alumni! Join us on the Academic Mall with your fellow classmates. *Roy H. Cullen Academic Mall*
8:00 p.m.	**Kappa Sigma House Party** *Kappa Sigma House*
8:00 p.m.	**Phi Delta Theta Party** Lets continue the 140 year celebration of Texas Gamma. *Tejas Meat Supply, 101 East 7th Street, Georgetown*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

9:00 a.m.	**Alumni Choir Rehearsal** Were you a member of the University Chorale? Join the current students for a joint rehearsal prior to the Homecoming Worship Service. Email alumni@southwestern.edu to receive the music prior to Homecoming. *Lois Perkins Chapel*
10:30 a.m.	Ⓟ **Homecoming Worship Service** This service includes the reading of the names of recently deceased alumni and community members. Jenny Tubbs Lannom ’81 will serve as our guest minister, and former members of the University Chorale are invited to rehearse and perform one song alongside our current student members during the service. *Lois Perkins Chapel*
10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.	Ⓟ **Brunch in the Commons** If you would like to eat brunch on campus, you may pay for your meal at the cashier’s station in front the Commons. *Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, J.E. and L.E. Mabee Commons*