

2020 Charter Day Celebration – 180th Anniversary

February 7–8, 2020

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Full details about the schedule, accommodations, special announcements, etc. can be found at <https://www.southwestern.edu/alumni/charter-day/>.

QUESTIONS

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Online registration closes Sunday, Feb. 2, 2020. After Feb. 2, the University staff cannot guarantee event tickets. Registration will not be available between Feb. 3–6. Onsite registration will open:

Friday, Feb. 7, (4:30–9:00 pm)

Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bishops Memorial Lounge

Saturday, Feb. 8 (9 am–3:00 pm)

Wilhelmina Cullen Welcome Center, Lobby

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2020

3:30–4:30 pm

Distinguished Alumni Award Recipients Panel

This year's Distinguished Alumni Award recipients will share stories from their professional journeys – Southwestern to where they are now. Join us for an afternoon session full of guidance and reflection.

A. Frank Smith, Jr. Library Center, Prothro Room

4:30–9:00 pm

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

5:30–7:00 pm

Distinguished Alumni Awards Presentation and Reception

Attendees are encouraged to attend this celebration of the *Southwestern Experience*, honoring the achievements of our 2020 Southwestern University Alumni Association Award Recipients.

Robert W. Karr '71 – *Medal of Honor*

Susan Slagle Rogers '83 – *Distinguished Professional*

Allison Dickson '02 – *Distinguished Southwestern Service*

Amit Virmani '95 – *Distinguished Humanitarian*

Jennifer Howell '09 – *Distinguished Young Alumna*

Jackson Bird '12 – *Distinguished Young Alumnus*

Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, McCombs Ballrooms

- 5:30 pm **Men's Basketball vs. Centenary College (La.)**
Corbin J. Robertson Center, Robertson Gym
- 7:00–8:00 pm **Volunteer and Donor Appreciation Reception**
Join us as we celebrate some of Southwestern's most loyal volunteers and donors. We will honor those who have given their time and resources to Southwestern for 25 years, 40 years, and 50 years.
Alma Thomas Fine Arts Center, Caldwell-Carvey Foyer
- 7:30 pm **Women's Basketball vs. Centenary College (La.)**
Corbin J. Robertson Center, Robertson Gym
- 8:00-10:30 pm **The Science and Art of Texas Hold 'Em**
Engage in discussion that blends lifelong learning with personal craft. Alison Marr, professor of mathematics and Garey Chair in Mathematics, will lead a scholarly discussion on the science of card games. Then join players of different skill levels to play poker, blackjack, craps, and roulette for the opportunity to win prizes.
Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bishops Memorial Lounge

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2020

- 9:00am–3:00 pm **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.
Wilhelmina Cullen Welcome Center, Lobby
- 10:00 am **Southwestern University Alumni Association Gathering and Update**
Gather with leadership of the Southwestern University Alumni Association for an update on the Association's initiatives and to learn more about ways to become engaged with the University.
F.W. Olin Building, Room 105
- Noon **Networking Luncheon: How to Paideia Out in the World**
How has your *Southwestern Experience* translated to the work world? Meet with students over lunch to discuss how you are making connections and using creative thinking and problem solving in your daily life. Alumni and students will be seated by Career Community groups for networking and meaningful conversation. Career Communities include:
Health | Wellness | Life Sciences
Non-Profit | Education | Human Services
Government | Law | International Affairs
Business | Economics | Finance | Entrepreneurship
Arts | Media | Communication | Marketing

Technology | Physical Sciences | Engineering
Charles and Elizabeth Prothro Center for Lifelong Learning, Mabee Lobby

Noon

Men's Lacrosse vs. Hendrix College
Lacrosse/Soccer Field

1:00–5:00 pm

Lifelong Learning for Pirates of All Ages

Young Pirates and their Parents (toddler to pre-teen)

1:00–2:00 pm

Soap Bubble Math

Everybody loves to play with bubbles - even mathematicians! Perhaps surprisingly, these objects of childhood wonder exhibit a rich playground of mathematical ideas, offering forays into the world of geometry and mathematical optimization! In this hands-on talk, we will discuss why bubbles are spherical; what happens when two or more bubbles collide; and how to create squares, ribbons, and even stranger shapes out of soap film!

Fondren-Jones Science Center, Room 100

1:00–5:00 pm

Treasure Hunt

Arrr! Calling all Pirates! Form a crew and take to campus for an afternoon of exploration.

*Floyd and Annetta Jones Plaza, Southwestern Arch
(starting location)*

1:00–5:00 pm

Games with the Greeks

Join members of Southwestern's Greek-letter organizations for outdoor activities. A perfect opportunity to burn off some energy between sessions!

Floyd and Annetta Jones Plaza

2:30–4:00 pm

"Kung Fu Panda" (2008)

Join us for a viewing of the featured film "Kung Fu Panda" (2008), produced by Southwestern alumna Susan Slagle Rogers '83.

Fondren-Jones Science Center, Cullen Atrium

4:15–5:00 pm

Pirate Bike Cookie Decorating

Celebrate a Southwestern tradition since 2005: our beloved Pirate Bikes! Pirate Bike sugar cookies and decorating supplies will be provided.

Red & Charline McCombs Campus Center, Bob and Vivian Smith Concourse

For Seasoned Sailors (teens and up)

1:15 pm **Have Your Cake and Eat It Too: Art History Majors with a Paycheck**

Successful Art History graduates come back to campus to share their personal and professional journeys. A dessert and wine reception to follow the discussion.

Alma Thomas Fine Arts Center, Caldwell-Carvey Foyer

2:00–2:30 pm **Behind the Scenes of “Kung Fu Panda” (2008)**

Animated-film producer Susan Slagle Rogers '83 will share secrets into the making of “Kung Fu Panda” (2008). Join us for an exciting presentation and Q&A before watching the featured film from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

Fondren-Jones Science Center, Cullen Atrium

3:00–4:00 pm **Special Collections: Preserving Our Shared Connections**

The archives housed in SU Special Collections and Archives contains thousands of documents and artifacts related to Southwestern and Texas history. As part of this session, you will get to tour Special Collections including getting to view facsimiles of the original charters of SU and the root institutions plus learn about how you can use the materials held in the University archives to research your own family genealogy.

A. Frank Smith, Jr. Library Center, Special Collections

4:15–5:00 pm **Historical Campus Tour**

Meet under the Southwestern arch for a walking tour focusing on the evolution of Southwestern’s campus over the years.

Floyd and Annetta Jones Plaza, Southwestern Arch

4:00–5:00 pm **Please Like and Subscribe: Sharing Your Life Online**

Through his work in fan activism and LGBTQ+ advocacy, Jackson Bird '12 has learned the deep power of storytelling and the impact that sharing one's own story can have towards social good. Join Bird as he discusses the realities, risks, and rewards of projecting your story to the online masses, and how we can all use digital platforms for narrative-based change.

Fondren-Jones Science Center, Room 100

3:00 pm **Women’s Tennis vs. Angelo State University**

Marvin D. Henderson, Sr. Tennis Courts

4:00 pm **Men's Basketball vs. St. Thomas University**
Corbin J. Robertson Center, Robertson Court

6:00 pm **Women's Basketball vs. St. Thomas University**
Corbin J. Robertson Center, Robertson Court

7:30 pm **Austin Civic Orchestra Performance**
The Sarofim School of Fine Arts is excited to announce a concert with the Austin Civic Orchestra featuring faculty member Lois Ferrari in the Alma Thomas Theater. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the door.
Alma Thomas Fine Arts Center, Alma Thomas Theater