

# Blackburn COLLEGE

SEPTEMBER 23, 24 & 25

THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE



Homecoming  
2022 BC



# There's No Place Like Blackburn



Chances are that you won't find Dorothy and Toto anywhere near Carlinville, but then again, would anyone associated with Blackburn really need the legendary "Wizard of Oz" characters to tell them that there's "No Place Like Homecoming" at BC?

"You've always had the power, my dear, you just had to learn it for yourself."  
— Glinda, the Good Witch of the North

We're so very thankful for another opportunity to gather in person, and we definitely don't take that privilege for granted these days. The fun that was had by all at last year's Homecoming may be hard to top, but we love a challenge! The campus promises to be alive with the imagination, creativity, and opulence that the world of Wizard of Oz invokes, and it will be a perfect time to connect with friends, staff, and professors from your past.

You're invited to celebrate your alma mater in so many fun ways. Traditional alumni favorites such as athletic events, the Beaverthon, the Alumni Association Awards Luncheon, and the Patricia Wier Mynka Art Exhibit are of course in the lineup. But, wait. There's more!

"Leaving so soon? I wouldn't hear of it! Why, my little party's just beginning!"  
—The Wicked Witch of the West

In addition to our classic favorites, newfound loves that debuted last year—Cocktails & Karaoke, the Wicked After Party, and Behind the 'Burn sessions—return with a bang. But the celebration doesn't stop there! New events such as the Bags and Beavers Cornhole Tourney and an Escape from Oz tethered hot air balloon ride will elevate this year's Homecoming to new heights...pun intended! Join us and let us demonstrate just how special we think you are. After all, the magnificent Wizard of Oz once said, "...a heart is shown not by how much you love, but by how much you are loved by others." Friends, let us show you!

My hope is that every single one of you will be able to make it to this year's Homecoming—a celebration of finding home again and again, and making that remarkable journey with your own fabulous cast of characters that you found along the way. And if you can't make it for the whole weekend, we'd love to see you at even one of the entertaining events! Just can't make it this year? We're sad, but we understand. But in the immortal words of Dorothy herself, "I think I'll miss you most of all."

For those of you who are able to make the trip—and we hope that's many, many of you—we're looking so forward to seeing you and celebrating your Homecoming! After all, we all know, "there's no place like home!"

*Alisha Kapp*



# Schedule of Events

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- 9:00 am Homecoming Registration Opens in Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center
- 9:00 am B Club Golf Tournament at Carlinville Country Club
- 9:00 am Pastries with the President at McKinley House
- 11:00 am Blackburn Family Picnic on the Patio at Jaenke Alumni Center Patio
- 12:00 pm Nifty 50s Luncheon in ADRs of Demuzio Campus Center (*invitation only*)
- 1:00 pm Residence Halls Open House throughout campus
- 3:00 pm Speaker Series: Notable Beavers by Dale Boyer '83 & Dan Holder '81 in Lumpkin
- 3:00 pm Behind the 'Burn *featuring Tree Campus Higher Education* by Nick McKorkle
- 4:00 pm The Patricia Wier Mynka Memorial Art Exhibition in the Visual Arts Center
- 5:00 pm A Night in Oz (*registration required*)
- 6:00 pm Escape from Oz Butler Hall Open Lot
- 7:00 pm "We're Not in Kansas Anymore" Musical Showcase in Bothwell Auditorium
- 7:00 pm Cocktails and Karaoke at Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center and Patio

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 8:00 am Beaverthon 5K at Ludlum Hall (*registration required*)
- 9:00 am Homecoming Registration Opens in Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center
- 9:00 am Project 1837 Celebration at Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center Patio
- 10:00 am Speaker Series: Notable Beavers by Chuck Lyons '79 in Alumni Lecture Hall
- 10:00 am Volleyball vs. Greenville University in Dawes Gymnasium
- 11:00 am Reunion Class Brunch ('12, '97, and '72) in Woodson Hall (*invitation only*)
- 11:00 am Behind the 'Burn *featuring Blackburn Bees* in Olin Hall
- 11:00 am Bags and Beavers Cornhole Tournament at Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center (*registration begins 10:30 am*)
- 12:00 pm Alumni Association Awards Luncheon (*registration required*)
- 12:00 pm BeaverNation Fan Zone Opens by tennis courts
- 1:00 pm Blackburn Men's Soccer vs. Greenville University
- 1:00 pm Residence Halls Open House throughout campus
- 2:00 pm Volleyball vs. Webster University in Dawes Gymnasium
- 2:30 pm Student Marshal Plaque Dedication in Hudson Hall
- 3:00 pm Blackburn Women's Soccer vs. Greenville University
- 4:00 pm Campus Connections at Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center Patio
- 5:00 pm The Wicked After Party at the DCC/Dawes Gymnasium Courtyard

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

- 10:00 am Brunch and Bubbly in DING at Demuzio Campus Center

*"It's not where you go, it's who you meet along the way."*  
- Wizard of Oz

# Weekend Highlights

## PASTRIES WITH THE PRESIDENT

What a great way to kick off the Homecoming weekend with President and Mrs. Biermann at Blackburn's historic home, McKinley House. This is a special opportunity to enjoy a pastry, interact with Blackburn's President and First Lady, and celebrate the start of Homecoming together. Registration is required.

## BLACKBURN FAMILY PICNIC ON THE PATIO

All alumni, students, faculty, and staff are invited to the Edwin and Claire Jaenke Alumni Center for our Blackburn Family Picnic on the Patio. The welcome picnic is a great way to get into the rhythm of Homecoming weekend by catching up with your favorite Beavers and getting back into the groove of our beautiful campus. Come enjoy food, music, games, and community!

## RESIDENCE HALLS OPEN HOUSE

Your residence hall was your home away from home during your college years. Your room was the place you decked out with memories from home, plastered posters on the walls, and ignored the pile of laundry in the corner. It was your spot to crash after a long day of classes or work. It's where you made lasting friendships and lifelong memories. The Office of Residence Life is hosting a Residence Halls Open House to give you a chance to revisit your hall while on campus. Check out the common areas and connect with Residence Life Staff to learn what has changed since your time here.

## NOTABLE BEAVERS' SPEAKER SERIES

*featuring Justin and the Magic Stone* - Learn how Blackburn alums Dale Boyer '83 and Dan Holder '81 collaborated to create and publish an illustrated children's book, *Justin and the Magic Stone*. This session will include a reading from the work by Dale, as well as a display of some original artwork created by Dan to illustrate the text. In addition, Dale will share a few selections from his new poetry volume, *Columbus in the New World*.

*featuring The Assassination and Grand Funeral of Abraham Lincoln* - Blackburn Alumnus Chuck Lyons '79 leads us in a presentation of the murder mystery of Lincoln's death. The program will consist of a PowerPoint presentation and time for questions.

## A NIGHT IN OZ

Lions and tiger and bears, oh my! Let the evening begin with a wave of the Good Witch's wand as the Hudson Quad transforms into a glamorous Emerald City in rich hues of greens and golds. Begin the evening by sipping on the weekend's signature cocktails while mingling with fellow classmates. Dinner under the stars is the perfect setting to get you in the Homecoming spirit. *Registration is required. \$15.00/pp*

## CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

Homecoming is a great time to reconnect with your alma mater, friends, staff, and faculty. Retired Blackburn faculty and staff will join us to restore past connections and catch up with all of their favorite alums! Be sure to stop by and say hi!

## ESCAPE FROM OZ

Feel like the Wizard of Oz as you soar up over the tree tops of campus in a tethered hot air balloon. This is sure to be a surreal, magical moment as the sun sets over Carlinville. *Registration is required. \$10.00/pp*



# Weekend Highlights

## **COCKTAILS & KARAOKE** *Co-Sponsored by the Alumni Association Board of Directors*

Warm up your vocal cords and get ready to sing the night away! If you've never tried karaoke before you will not regret it! Just have a drink or two for extra courage and you'll be singing like Mariah Carey! DJ Bella Event and DJ Services will be spinning the tunes all night long! *Cash bar and snack bar will be provided.*

## **BEHIND THE 'BURN**

*featuring Tree Campus Higher Education* - Join Blackburn's Campus Arborist and Grounds Supervisor, Nick McKorkle, as he guides you through our campus' version of The Haunted Forest. No worries! No apples will be thrown your way, but you may need to oil up a tin man or two. This a walking tour, but is wheelchair accessible.

*featuring the Blackburn Bees* – Get an exclusive tour of the growth of Blackburn's sustainability efforts on campus. Experience why we have been named a BeeCampus USA, get an update on exciting sustainability projects, and learn about the plans to keep sustainability a priority for Blackburn.

## **BAGS AND BEAVERS CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

Everyone loves cornhole at tailgates, backyard barbecues, or your favorite local bar. Grab a teammate to play in our inaugural Homecoming tournament. Limited spots are available to the first 24 teams (teams of two). Double elimination. Have a blast competing for only \$10.00/pp *Registration begins at 10:30 am with play starting at 11:00 am.*

## **REUNION CLASS BRUNCH** *(Class of 2012, Class of 1997, and Class of 1972)*

A class reunion gives one a chance to reconnect with old friends, remember the fun times you had in college, and celebrate with people you may not have seen for years. The Saturday morning brunch provides an opportunity for each reunion class to gather individually in Woodson Hall. Reunion class pictures will be taken at this time. *Invitation only. \$15.00/pp Registration is required by September 14.*

## **BEAVERNATION FAN ZONE**

Grab your friends for food, games, and fun at the annual BeaverNation Fan Zone. Check out the inflatables, grab some FREE BC swag, eat from the snack buffet, and so much more. There will be a cash bar for all who are 21 years of age or older. Join our fans in the stands to cheer on Blackburn's soccer and volleyball teams throughout the day.

## **THE WICKED AFTER PARTY**

Ready to wrap it up in Blackburn style? We're throwing everything we've got at you during the The Wicked After Party...food trucks, photo booth, drinks, and live music! When was the last time you danced under the stars on campus? The Z Band <http://www.thezband.online/>, will return to bring the energy and entertainment. Delicious food and drink options will be available for purchase, and we encourage you to capture your Homecoming memories through our photo booth provided by Fish Eye Fun Photography. Let's end Blackburn's Homecoming weekend with the biggest block party seen on campus in decades! *Cash bar and food truck vendors available.*

*For the entire line-up of Homecoming events, visit  
[www.blackburn.edu/homecoming](http://www.blackburn.edu/homecoming)*

# Alumni Association Award Recipients



Honorable Craig F. Stowers '75  
*Distinguished Alumni Award*  
(awarded posthumously)



Robert Tucker '84  
*Distinguished Alumni Award*



Dr. Katie Serrano '10  
Cynthia Williams Lamar '73  
*Service Award*



Honorable Herman Haase '63  
*Alumni Achievement Award*



Byron Stingily '87  
*Alumni Achievement Award*



Dr. Lois B. DeFleur '58  
*Gideon Blackburn Award*



Boyd Hess '84  
*Harold and Elizabeth Ziegler*  
*Service Award*



Sherry Liske '78  
*Service to Humanity Award*



Reggie Guyton '14  
*Alumni Early Achievement Award*



Jared Jones '16  
*Alumni Early Achievement Award*



# Alumni Award Descriptions

## DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD

The Distinguished Alumni Award is given only once to any one individual who has demonstrated significant contributions to society or a profession (such as receipt of national and/or international honors and/or demonstrated leadership).

## ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Alumni Achievement Award is given for demonstrating a significant achievement in an individual's personal or public career.

## THE HAROLD AND ELIZABETH ZIEGLER SERVICE AWARD

The Harold and Elizabeth Ziegler Service Award is given to an individual who has rendered loyal volunteer service to Blackburn College during the past year.

## GIDEON BLACKBURN AWARD

The Gideon Blackburn Award is given to an alumnus/alumna or non-alumnus/alumna who has rendered valuable service to the College in terms of time, money, influence, service, etc. The recipient keeps alive the memory of Dr. Blackburn and the period from 1837 to the time of Dr. Hudson's coming in 1912.

## SERVICE TO HUMANITY AWARD

The Service to Humanity Award is intended to recognize those individuals who are giving, or have given of themselves in significant ways for the betterment of humanity, without thought of recognition or compensation. Their efforts have helped to provide support or resources to people who would otherwise go without.

## CYNTHIA WILLIAMS LAMAR '73 SERVICE AWARD

The Cynthia Williams Lamar '73 Service Award honors the outstanding work on behalf of the Blackburn College Alumni Association by Cynthia Williams LaMar '73, former Alumni Board member and a past Alumni Board President (1995-1997). The recipient has demonstrated unrelenting efforts, leadership, dedication, and outstanding contributions to the success of the Blackburn College Alumni Association.

## ALUMNI EARLY ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

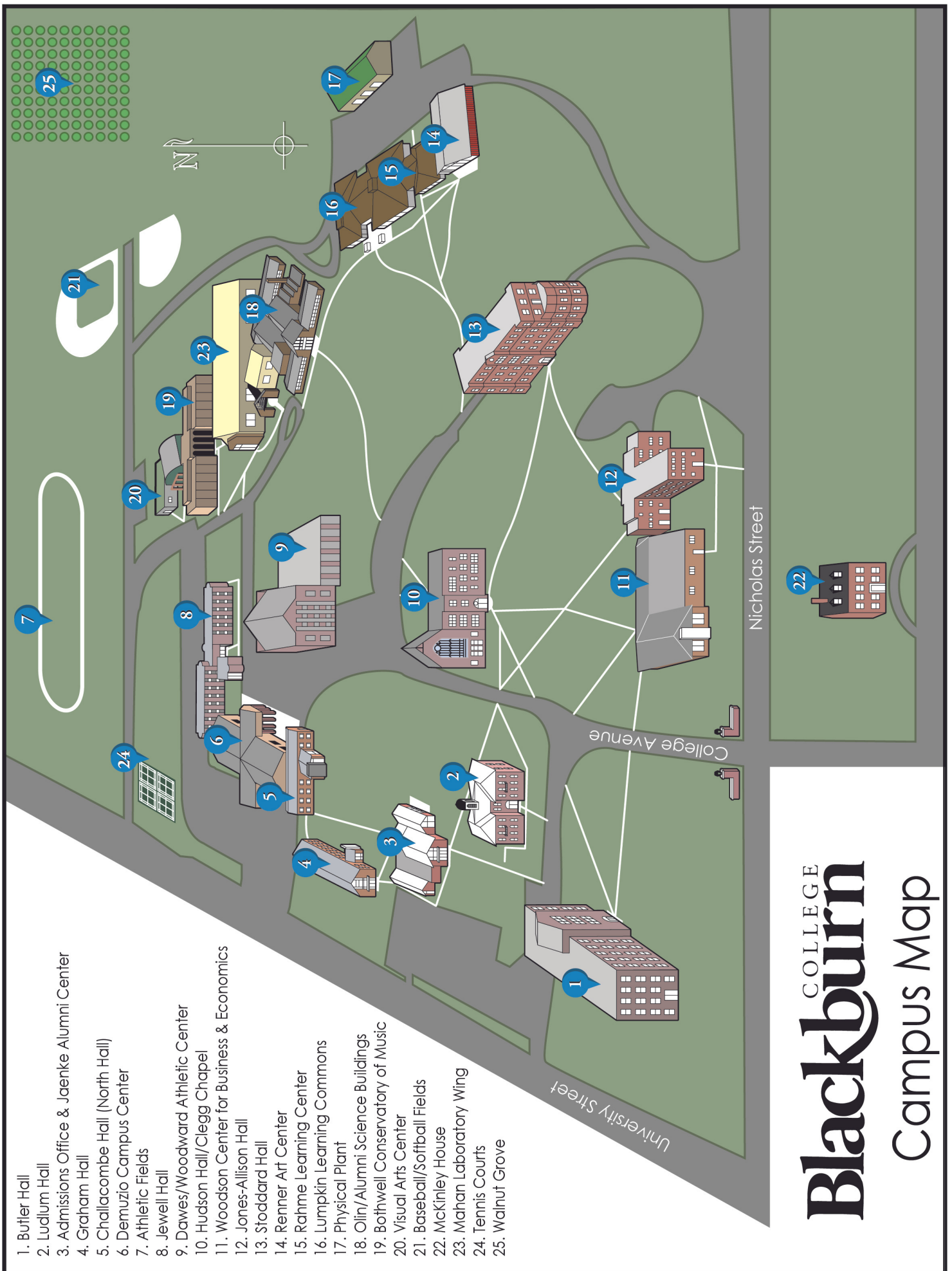
The Alumni Early Achievement Award honors alumni who have demonstrated significant achievements before the age of 40. The individual(s) must have retained a strong association in some capacity with the College including philanthropic support, volunteer service, and/or an advocacy role. This individual has demonstrated leadership ability or attained prominence in their business, profession, or endeavors. The individual should be involved in community service or civic engagement in some level in his/her local or global community.

To submit a nomination for the 2023 Alumni Association Awards, please visit <https://blackburn.edu/alumni-award-nominations/>.

[www.blackburn.edu/homecoming](http://www.blackburn.edu/homecoming)



1. Butler Hall
2. Ludlum Hall
3. Admissions Office & Jaenke Alumni Center
4. Graham Hall
5. Challacombe Hall (North Hall)
6. Demuzio Campus Center
7. Athletic Fields
8. Jewell Hall
9. Dawes/Woodward Athletic Center
10. Hudson Hall/Clegg Chapel
11. Woodson Center for Business & Economics
12. Jones-Alison Hall
13. Stoddard Hall
14. Renner Art Center
15. Rahme Learning Center
16. Lumpkin Learning Commons
17. Physical Plant
18. Olin/Alumni Science Buildings
19. Bothwell Conservatory of Music
20. Visual Arts Center
21. Baseball/Softball Fields
22. McKinley House
23. Mahan Laboratory Wing
24. Tennis Courts
25. Walnut Grove



# COLLEGE Blackburn

## Campus Map



# 2022 Homecoming Shirt

Don't miss out on showing your school spirit with the purchase of a 2022 Blackburn College Homecoming tee! This t-shirt is the perfect way to keep school spirit going strong. \$20.00/per shirt

TOTAL OF SHIRT(S) ORDERED \_\_\_\_\_

SIZE OF SHIRT(S) (write size of shirt(s) in box(es) below)



## ATTENDEE INFORMATION

## Register for Homecoming 2022

or online at [www.blackburn.edu/homecoming](http://www.blackburn.edu/homecoming)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year \_\_\_\_\_

Guest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Please indicate how many will be attending the events below.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

B Club Golf Outing  
\$340.00/team or \$85.00/pp

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Nifty 50s Luncheon  
\$15.00/pp

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A Night in Oz  
\$15.00/pp

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Bags and Beavers Cornhole Tourney  
\$10.00/pp

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Escape from Oz  
\$10.00/pp

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### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Beaverthon  
\$20.00/pp

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Reunion Class Brunch ('12, '97, '72)  
\$10.00/pp

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Alumni Association Luncheon/Meeting  
\$15.00/pp

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2022 Homecoming Box  
\$60.00/box

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## PAYMENT INFORMATION

( ) Pay by Check - Make checks payable to Blackburn College

( ) Pay by Credit Card - I authorize my credit card to be charged

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Visa ( ) Mastercard ( ) Discover

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_ CCV \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form or register at [www.blackburn.edu/homecoming](http://www.blackburn.edu/homecoming)



## Homecoming Box

The third edition of Blackburn's Homecoming in a Box returns for the 2022 Homecoming festivities. Whether you are unable to make it to campus or are traveling in for the weekend celebration, you will want all the customized items that go along with this year's theme, "There's No Place Like Homecoming." Boxes will be mailed prior to Homecoming weekend or you can elect to pick up your order at the Registration Table. Only 100 boxes will be sold, and when they're gone, they're gone! Don't miss out on grabbing yours. \$60.00/box. Orders must be placed by September 1.

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