

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE *Alumni Weekend*



June 5–7, 2015 • Registration and Information

SwatTalks

Experience a slice of academic life when members of the Swarthmore faculty present short lectures around the theme “What lies beneath?” Over the course of an hour you’ll cover the breadth of a liberal arts education—learning something new from the humanities, the social sciences, and the natural sciences.

Highlights



Mozart’s Requiem

Bring your voice, your instrument, or just your enthusiasm for this year’s alumni performance of Mozart’s *Requiem*. The choral reading will be directed by John Alston, director of the Chester Children’s Chorus.

Alumni Collection and Awards

Celebrate the accomplishments of fellow alumni in community service, service to the College, and impact on society at large when the alumni awards are presented. Then hear from this year’s Collection Speaker, Sean Decatur ’90, president of Kenyon College.

Parade of Classes

From the Class of 2013 to the graduates of the 1930s, alumni of all ages will process up Magill Walk and into the amphitheater in this longstanding Alumni Weekend tradition. Gather with classmates and friends, raise your class flag high, and represent your class in the parade!

Alumni Weekend Schedule 2015 • June 5-7, 2015

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

- 1 p.m. Class of ’65 Trip to Barnes Foundation *
- 3 p.m.–midnight Class of ’65 Check-in: Alice Paul Hall Lobby
- 3–9 p.m. All-Alumni Check-in: Pick up your room keys and meal tickets in Parrish Hall, Shane Student Lounge. **Check-in closes at 9 p.m. and reopens at 10 a.m.**
- 6 p.m. Class of ’65 Social Hour
- 7 p.m. Class of ’65 Dinner *
- 8:30 p.m. Class of ’65 Folk Singing

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

- 7 a.m.–midnight Class of ’65 Check-in: Alice Paul Lobby
- 9 a.m. Class of ’65 Discussion Group
- Class of ’65 Scott Arboretum Tour
- 10 a.m.–midnight All-Alumni Check-In: Pick up room keys and meal tickets in Parrish Hall, Shane Student Lounge. **Check-in closes at midnight and reopens at 8 a.m. on Saturday.**

- 10:30 a.m. Class of ’65 Discussion Groups
- Noon Class of ’65 Lunch *
- Folk Power Lunch sponsored by Swarthmore Folk *
- 1 p.m. Class of ’65 Virtual Conversations with Absent Classmates
- 2 p.m. Class of ’65 Memorial Service
- Admissions Volunteer Training and Information Session
- Career Services Open House
- 2:30–5 p.m. Refreshments sponsored by Alumni & Gift Records
- 2:45 p.m. Class of ’65 Discussion Groups
- 3 p.m. Admissions Reception for Alumni Volunteers
- 4–5 p.m. Class of ’65 Discussion Groups
- 4:30–6 p.m. All-Alumni Welcome Reception
- 5:45 p.m. Garnet Sage Dinner *
- 6–8 p.m. All-Alumni Dinner *
- 7 p.m. Class of 1975 Musical Showcase

**requires registration*

8:15–9:15 p.m. SwatTalks with Associate Professor of English Literature Rachel Buurma '99, Scheuer Family Professor of Humanities Michael Cothren, and Assistant Professor of Biology Brad Davidson '90

8:30 p.m. Movie on Parrish Beach

9 p.m. Class Gatherings

8 a.m.–9 p.m. **All-Alumni Check-in: Parrish Hall, Shane Student Lounge**

8 a.m. Reunion Run

8:15 a.m. "The Myth of America's Decline," a talk by Joseph Joffe '65

9:45 a.m. Parade of Classes

1–5 p.m. Family carnival with a moonbounce and games

1–4 p.m. Saturday afternoon jam hosted by Charlie McGovern '80 and Ira Gitlin '80

1–3 p.m. Legacy Circle Ice Cream Social sponsored by the Office of Gift Planning

1:30–3 p.m. "An Inside Look at the College Search and Admissions Process" sponsored by the admissions office. Prospective parents and students welcome.

2 p.m. Class of 2005 and 2010 Feats of Strength on Parrish Beach

2:45 p.m. Mozart *Requiem* rehearsal, singers only



Midnight **Check-in closes (room keys unavailable until Saturday at 8 a.m.)**

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

6:15 a.m. Class of '65 Birdwatchers Walk

7 a.m. Class of '65 Check-in: Alice Paul Lobby

7:30–9:45 a.m. All-Alumni Breakfast: Sharples Dining Hall *

10:30 a.m. Alumni Collection in Scott Amphitheater, featuring award presentations and speaker Sean Decatur '90

Noon All-alumni picnic lunch *

• Garnet Sage reunion class luncheons ('45, '50, '55, '60) *

**requires registration*

1:30 p.m. Gamelan Semara Santi workshop (Balinese music and dance) with Daniel Underhill Professor of Music Tom Whitman '82— all ages and families welcome

1:30 p.m. "War, Peace, and Security in the 21st Century" a panel discussion

• Class of '65 Meet the Artists

**requires registration*

3 p.m. Affinity Receptions

• Dedication of the Eleanor "Pete" Hess Terrace

3 p.m. List Gallery Reception

3:30 p.m. "Black Liberation 1969 Archive"—a talk by Nabil Kashyap, librarian for digital initiatives and scholarship

3:30 p.m. Class of '60 Panel Discussion on Climate Change convened by Michael Westgate '60 and Maurice Eldridge '61

4 p.m. Academic Department Receptions

4:15 p.m. Mozart *Requiem* rehearsal, musicians report

4:30 p.m. Mozart *Requiem* directed by John Alston, director of the Chester Children's Chorus

6:15 p.m. Class of '65 Reception

6:15 p.m. Garnet Sage Cocktails and Dinner *

7:15 p.m. Class of '65 50th Reunion Dinner *

7-9 p.m. Class Dinners *

9 p.m.-midnight Folk Concert

- Class gatherings
- Class of '65 Gathering
- Class of '70 and '75 Dance Party with Narwhals
- Class of '80 Dance Party with The Kids
- Class of '90 Dance Party
- Class of '00 Oota Goota Solo Dance Party
- Class of '05 Piano Bar in Parrish Parlors featuring Joe Raciti '05

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

7:30-11 a.m. All-Alumni Breakfast: Sharples Dining Hall *

11:30 a.m. *Minding Swarthmore*: a documentary film about Swarthmore College

*requires registration



4:30 p.m. Class of '65 Poetry Reading and Meet the Authors

5 p.m. Class of 1960 talk: Avoiding the Extinction of Humanity: A Practical Plan, a conversation with John Goodman '60

5-7 p.m. 1864 Society Reception

6 p.m. Class of '75 Cocktails

Alumni Weekend 2015 Registration Form

Register online at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu.

You may register online at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu. Just follow the links on that Web page.

All registrations will be confirmed in writing—via email, if available, or by U.S. mail. If you do not receive a confirmation, contact Alumni Relations at 610-328-7332.

Registration deadlines

Friday, May 8: Housing Deadline (No housing requests will be honored after this date.)

Wednesday, May 20: Last Day to Register for Alumni Weekend (This is the last day to register. After this date, all-alumni meal tickets will need to be purchased at the registration tables during Alumni Weekend. Contact your reunion chair for class activity reservations after this date.)

Monday, May 25: Last Day to Cancel Your Registration and Request a Refund.

Early Bird Registration Discount through May 8. See Page 3 of this registration form for more information.

Name & ID# (your ID# appears next to your name on the address of this flyer) Class year

Name of spouse/partner/guest Class year (if it applies)

Email Daytime phone

Please list the names of other guests and include ages of children accompanying you.

Accessible Housing

If you require accessible housing, check this box and you will be contacted by the Alumni Office.

Special Requests

- DO NOT list my name on the "look who's coming" web page.
- ___ I require first floor housing
- ___ I require a room near an elevator
- ___ I require a room near a bathroom
- ___ I require a room near an accessible bathroom

View an up-to-date schedule and register at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu

All-Alumni Meals			Class Activities				
	Number	Cost per Person	Total		Number	Cost per Person	Total
Friday Folk lunch		\$15		Garnet Sage ('35-'64) Saturday dinner		\$50	
Friday buffet dinner—adult		\$25		Class of 1970 Saturday dinner		\$40	
Friday dinner—child (10 yrs. old & younger)		\$12		_____ Class activity fee		\$30	
Saturday breakfast—adult		\$10		Class of 1975 Saturday dinner		\$40	
Saturday breakfast—child (10 yrs. old & younger)		\$6		_____ Class activity fee		\$30	
Saturday buffet lunch—adult		\$15		Class of 1980 Saturday dinner		\$40	
Saturday lunch—child (10 yrs. old & younger)		\$7		_____ Class activity fee		\$12	
Sunday breakfast—adult		\$10		Class of 1985 Saturday dinner		\$40	
Sunday breakfast—child (10 yrs. old & younger)		\$6		Class of 1990 Saturday dinner (adults)		\$65	
				_____ Saturday dinner (children)		\$15	
				Class of 1995 Saturday dinner (adults)		\$55	
				_____ Saturday dinner (children)		\$10	
				Class of 2000 Saturday dinner (adults)		\$55	
				_____ Saturday dinner (children)		\$10	
				Class of 2005 Saturday dinner		\$45	
				Class of 2010 Saturday dinner		\$30	
				_____ Friday night party		\$5	
				Class of 2013 Saturday dinner		\$30	
				_____ Friday night party		\$5	
All-Alumni meals and Garnet Sage lunches subtotal				Class activities subtotal			

After May 20, class meals are only available through your class reunion committee.

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Alumni Housing		Number of Rooms	Cost per Room	Total
Thursday	single room (one bed)		\$25	
	double room (two beds)		\$50	
Friday	single room (one bed)		\$25	
	double room (two beds)		\$50	
Saturday	single room (one bed)		\$25	
	double room (two beds)		\$50	
<p>Roommate Request If you wish to be housed with another alum who is not listed on this registration form, please list their name and class year below. One roommate is responsible for fully paying for the room as part of the registration process. The person listed below still needs to register and pay for everything else they need. Upon full payment and verification that you have listed each other, you will be housed together.</p>				

Housing subtotal				

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Babysitting		Number of Children	Cost per Child	Total
Friday evening	5:30–11 p.m.		\$35	
Saturday afternoon	2–5 p.m.		\$15	
Saturday evening	5:30–11 p.m.		\$35	
<p><i>Medication cannot be dispensed to children while in the babysitting program. This includes inhalers and epi-pens.</i></p>				
Babysitting subtotal				
Registration fee				
Early discount, through May 8			\$15	
Regular Registration			\$30	
Class of 1990			Free	
The Swarthmore Fund Reunion Gift				
This contribution is entirely optional, and greatly appreciated!				
Carbon-Neutral Weekend Contribution				
Your contribution is entirely optional.				
\$10 per attendee is suggested.				
Babysitting, Registration, Gift, Carbon-Neutral subtotal				
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Method of Payment

By check

Please make check payable to “Swarthmore College” and mail it with this registration form.

Mailing address: Alumni Weekend 2015
500 College Avenue
Swarthmore, PA 19081

After processing this form along with your payment by check, you will receive a confirmation card via email, if available, or by U.S. mail.

By credit card

For the safety and security of your personal information, if you wish to pay by credit card, please register online at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu.

Tax Deductible Gifts

If you make your gift online by credit card, then your electronic confirmation will serve as your IRS receipt. If you make your gift by check, you will receive a confirmation by U.S. mail to you as your IRS receipt.

Your Swarthmore Fund Reunion Gift

Support current Swarthmore students and the College’s commitment to need-blind admissions and academic excellence by including a gift to the Swarthmore Fund along with your registration payment.

Carbon-Neutral Weekend Contribution

Your contribution is entirely optional—Please note the amount of money you would like to earmark toward making your Alumni Weekend attendance “carbon-neutral.” \$10 per attendee is suggested.

Dates to Remember

Friday, May 8

- Last day to request on-campus housing. Requests are fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Wednesday, May 20

- Last day to register for Alumni Weekend 2015. (This is the last day to register, after this date all-alumni meal tickets will need to be purchased at the registration tables during Alumni Weekend. Contact your reunion chair for class activity reservations after this date)

Monday, May 25

- Last day to cancel your registration and request a refund.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register for Alumni Weekend 2015?

You may register at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu or by filling out the form at the center of this brochure and mailing it to the address provided.

Am I guaranteed a room on campus? When are rooms available?

Rooms on campus are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. In recent years, every available room on campus has been used, so please register early. Rooms are available beginning at 3 p.m. on **Thursday, June 4**.

Where will my room be, and will I be housed with my classmates?

Dorm and room assignments will be made just prior to the weekend. We will make every effort to house classes together.

Are the buildings on campus air-conditioned?

Most dorms are not air-conditioned, although classroom buildings and Sharples Dining Hall are.

What if I need help getting around campus?

Golf carts will be on call to provide transportation to alumni needing assistance. If you need a wheelchair, rentals

are available at Main Line Medical Supplies, 610-734-0800.

Can I make a change to my registration after it has been finalized?

To change your registration, contact the Alumni Office at alumni@swarthmore.edu or 610-328-7332. If you register online, your confirmation email will have instructions.

How will I know that my registration is confirmed?

Every reservation will be confirmed either by mail or email. If you do not receive a confirmation by **May 23**, please contact the Alumni Office.

I need to cancel my registration, can I get a refund?

Refund requests received on or before **May 25** will be accepted. For other questions, please contact the Alumni Office at 610-328-7332 or alumni@swarthmore.edu

Things You Need to Know

Checking In

50th Reunion Check-In

Starting on **Thursday** at 3 p.m. through Saturday at midnight, the Class of '65 may check directly into their dorm, Alice Paul Hall.

Thursday Arrivals

If you are not part of the 50th reunion and you book a room for Thursday night, please come directly to Shane Student Lounge, Parrish Hall, for assistance from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Friday Arrivals

On **Friday**, alumni check-in will be in the Shane Student Lounge, Parrish Hall, and will be open from 10 a.m. until midnight. Room keys will be available until **Friday** at midnight and then again on Saturday morning at 8 a.m. when check-in reopens.

Saturday Arrivals

On **Saturday**, check-in will be in the Shane Student Lounge, Parrish Hall, and will be open from 8 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Accommodations

Dorm rooms are available for Thursday (after 3 p.m.), Friday, and Saturday nights. Room requests will be processed when the registration form and full payment is received by the Alumni Office. Rooms will be assigned in the order registration is received; you will



be notified if we are unable to accommodate your room request.

We cannot accommodate walk-in housing registrations during Alumni Weekend.

If you require a room near an elevator, on the ground floor, or near a bathroom, please note this on your registration

form. For more information on specialized facilities available during Alumni Weekend, please contact the Alumni Office at alumni@swarthmore.edu or 610-328-7332.

Rooms with private baths are not available, and dorm rooms only have the bare essentials. In your dorm room,

you'll find linens, a pillow, a blanket, two towels, and soap. You may want to bring clothes hangers, iron, small reading lamp, and an alarm clock. Because most dorms do not have air-conditioning, it's also a good idea to bring a portable fan, as many students do.

Children may bring sleeping bags and share parents' rooms for no extra charge. We cannot provide cribs during Alumni Weekend, please bring your own if you anticipate needing one.

Meals

- Please remember to register in advance for breakfasts, lunches, and dinners. A **limited** number of meals will be available for purchase during registration.
- Meals are provided for children in babysitting.

Refunds

Alumni who make a written request on or before **Monday, May 25** will be refunded all charges excluding the registration fee and any donations to the College.

Babysitting

Bring your children! Excellent care is available for children age 10 and under in the Friends Meeting House (with meals included). Children may only be registered in advance, walk-ins cannot be accepted. We are not able to dispense or administer any form of

medication (e.g. asthma inhalers, epi-pens) to the minor children participating in the babysitting service. Care cannot be provided for sick children.

NOTE: Babysitting fills up quickly. We can only safely care for a finite number of children, so register early.

Off-Campus Housing

We have arranged for a special rate at the following hotel. **When reserving, please specify that you are with the "Swarthmore Alumni Rate" room block.**

Best Western Philadelphia Airport South at Widener University

1450 Providence Ave., Chester, PA 19013
Rate: \$99.00 per day (**Please book by 5/5**)

The College website provides a listing of other local lodging, please visit: swarthmore.edu/visitors. You can find lodging options in Philadelphia at visitphilly.com.

View an up-to-date schedule and register at alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu

Get Involved

Mozart's Requiem Reading

Singers, musicians, and audience wanted for this year's Mozart's *Requiem* reading—directed by John Alston, director of the Chester Children's Chorus.

Saturday, June 6, Lang Music Building
We will supply up to 100 copies of the music, or you are welcome to bring your own.

Singers: sopranos, altos, tenors, basses, and experienced soloists

Orchestra players: violin, viola, cello, bass, two clarinets, two bassoons, timpani, two trumpets

- Singers report to practice at 2:45 p.m.
- Orchestra to warm up at 4:15 p.m.
- Concert to begin at 4:30 p.m.

If you plan to participate, please email awmusic@swarthmore.edu or call 610-328-8655 and indicate your instrument or voice part. Novices and experts are welcome.

Experienced vocalists interested in being a soloist should send an email describing

their background to John Alston (john.b.alston@gmail.com) by May 15. Solos will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. *Requiem* solos: "Tuba Mirum," "Benedictus," "Domine Jesu," "Recordare" (optional).

Your Swarthmore Fund Reunion Gift

Was Swarthmore a life-changing experience for you? Honor your reunion by including your Swarthmore Fund gift along with your registration payment. Your gift will help make the same exceptional Swarthmore experience possible for today's and tomorrow's students.

9th Annual Carbon-Neutral Weekend

Join Swarthmore's sustainability efforts! We encourage alumni to help offset the carbon footprint of the weekend by making a "carbon-neutral" contribution. The College will pool these funds toward improvements in our own environmental sustainability.

The Carbon-Neutral Weekend is entirely optional, and you may give any amount.

Getting Back to Swarthmore

Train

Amtrak trains arrive at Philadelphia's 30th Street Station. From there, take the SEPTA Media/Elwyn local to the Swarthmore station (21 minute trip). Visit www.septa.org for the latest schedule.



Driving Directions

Visit swarthmore.edu/visitors for driving directions. If you do not have Internet access, please call the Alumni Office at 610-328-7332 for assistance.

Parking

Parking is available in the Cunningham lot (on College Avenue across Route 320), Field House Lane, Benjamin West lot, and in the DuPont lot (near the water tower). Accessible parking is available close to buildings throughout campus, but only vehicles with special accessibilities

placards or license plates can park in those designated areas; others will be towed.

NOTE: Due to construction at the College's south entrance traffic patterns and parking has changed. Please check alumniweekend.swarthmore.edu for more information in late May.

Getting to Swarthmore from the Airport

Public Transportation

From Philadelphia International Airport, take the SEPTA Airport Line to University City Station in Philadelphia, then transfer to the outbound Media/Elwyn line. Visit septa.org for schedules.

Getting Back to the Airport

Airport Shuttle

A College shuttle van will provide free rides from campus to the airport on **Sunday, June 7**, from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sign up for the shuttle on the list posted in the Parrish Hall entrance closest to the Rose Garden Circle.

Car

By car from the airport, take I-95 South to Exit 7, I-476 North/Plymouth Meeting. Take I-476 to Exit 3, Media/Swarthmore. Turn right at the base of the exit ramp onto Baltimore Pike. After about one-half mile, turn right onto Route 320 South. Follow signs to visitor parking.

Taxi

County Cab of Philadelphia provides taxi service between the airport and campus. The cost is about \$30 and takes about 20 minutes. You must reserve a cab in advance. Their phone number is 610-622-8000.



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