

Auburn Adventist Academy
Alumni Weekend 2024
Frequently Asked Questions

When does everything start for Alumni Weekend?

For a more detailed schedule of events, please check www.auburn.org/alumni-weekend. **Everything takes place on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4, 2024.** The first event of the weekend will be the **Falcons Classic Golf Tournament** on Friday morning (Tee Time at 7:30 am), which is a fundraising event; please see below for more information on that. The next event is the **Welcome Reception** on Friday evening at 6:00 pm, followed by **Vespers** at 7:30 pm in the AAA Church. Sabbath morning, we begin with **Registration** at 9:00 am, and a **Church Service** at 11:00 am. **Honor Class Photos** of the 10-year classes will be taken immediately following the Church Service, and **Lunch** will be around 1:00 pm. **Class meetings** will be from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm in their assigned meeting rooms. Room assignments will be posted on auburn.org/alumni-weekend about a week before. The next event will be **Dinner** in the cafeteria at 6:00 pm, and the **Alumni Basketball Game** will be at 9:00 pm in Rainier Auditorium (doors open at 8:45 pm).

Is registration required to attend Alumni Weekend?

Alumni Weekend at Auburn Adventist Academy is an open weekend. **While registration is not required to attend, it is strongly encouraged.** In addition to helping us know roughly how many people to expect, it also gives us the ability to print name tags for those who have registered, and to have updated contact information. Registration also helps us determine what size of room each of the Honor Classes will need. **Registration only takes a few minutes, and will make things easier for us, and most importantly – our alumni!**

Are there any dorm rooms available on Campus for Alumni to stay overnight?

The good news is that our dorms are full; the bad news is that we don't have rooms to make available to the Alumni. We do, however, have RV and camper sites that are equipped for water, power and sewer for those that are interested. Otherwise, please check out the list of hotels in the area that can accommodate you over the weekend – that list is linked on www.auburn.org/alumni-weekend. For those interested in using one of the RV and camper sites, please contact Kellie Nunley at (253) 285-4521 or at kellie.nunley@auburn.org.

Is there a charge to use the RV and camper sites?

There is a charge for the use of the RV sites this year. The special rate for Alumni Weekend runs from \$15/night for no hookup to \$25/night for a full hookup. To book and pay for your RV site for Alumni Weekend, please go to <https://www.auburn.org/store-1/alumni-weekend-11722>. If you have any questions, please contact Kellie Nunley at (253) 285-4521 or at kellie.nunley@auburn.org.

Is there a charge for any of the activities over Alumni Weekend?

The only event over the weekend that costs is the Falcons Classic Golf Tournament on Friday morning, which raises money for Auburn Adventist Academy Athletics. To register for the Golf Tournament, please go www.auburn.org/falcons-classic.

What meals are provided over Alumni Weekend and how much do they cost?

On Friday night, there will be a Welcome Reception in the Fireside Room at AAA Church; on Sabbath morning, during Registration in Rainier Auditorium, there will be a Continental Breakfast; after Church on Sabbath, there will be a lunch in the Cafeteria; on Sabbath evening, there will be a dinner in the cafeteria. There is **no charge** for any of these, but there will be a donation basket available for check (made payable to Auburn Adventist Academy) and cash donations. Donations for meals will go toward the Cafeteria/food expense. **One exception:** At the Basketball Game on Saturday night, we will be selling concessions, and the money raised will go to Falcons Athletics.

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Where and when is the Falcons Classic Golf Tournament?

The Falcons Classic Golf Tournament is taking place on Friday, May 3, 2024, at the Auburn Golf Course, 29630 Green River Road, SE, Auburn, WA 98092. Registration begins at 6:45 am and the tournament begins with a Shotgun Start at 7:30 am.

Is the Falcons Classic Golf Tournament only for Alumni or can anyone play?

Everyone is welcome to participate in the Falcons Classic. Register to play at www.auburn.org/alumni-weekend.

Will there be nametags and ribbons for all Alumni?

We will have printed nametags for all Alumni who have registered. Please register by Thursday, May 2 at 12:00 pm. Otherwise, we cannot guarantee that you will have a printed name tag.

There will be blank nametags and Sharpies to write names for spouses and for those that did not register ahead of time. **We do have ribbons available for all Honor Classes.** When you arrive at Rainier Auditorium on Sabbath morning, please go to the table designated for your class. Please note that Registration will close by 11:00 am so Church Service can begin promptly. If you are not able to check in and get your nametag before 11:00 am, any remaining nametags will be brought to the respective meeting rooms.

Are there any Sabbath School Classes on Sabbath morning?

There will be no adult or children's Sabbath School classes Sabbath morning. Registration will begin at 9:00 am and Church will begin at 11:00 am.

Will the Church Service be live streamed?

Barring any technical issues, we plan to have the Church Service live streamed.

Will Honor Classes have special seating for the Church service?

Yes. All of the Honor Classes (1, 5 and 10-year) will have a section of seats set aside for them, based on expected numbers. There will be signage indicating where your class will be sitting. Please keep in mind that, due to limited space, family members may need to sit in general seating to allow enough space for class members to sit together.

Are photos going to be taken of the Honor Classes?

Immediately following the Church service, we will be taking a photo of each of the 10-year classes. For all other classes (1 and 5-year classes), we will have a photographer going around campus during the class meetings to take class photos. Photos will take place in front of the stage in Rainier Auditorium. To make this go more quickly and smoothly, those seated in the front must move off to the side to wait for their class picture to be taken.

What classes get meeting rooms for their reunions on Sabbath afternoon?

We offer meeting space to all of the Honor Classes – that would be the years that fall in 5 and 10-year increments from their Graduation Year, as well as the class that most recently graduated (the 1-year class).

Due to limited space, we give the 10-year classes priority on room/meeting space, but we try to accommodate all of the classes to the best of our ability. This year (2024), we are honoring the Classes of 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004, 2009, 2014, 2019, and 2023. Of course, we always honor Fowler's Family and Romeo's Kids.

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When will the Honor Classes find out what room they are meeting in?

We will do our best to post the meeting room assignments about a week before Alumni Weekend. Please keep checking www.auburn.org/alumni-weekend for continued updates. We will post the meeting room assignments on the website, at the registration tables, and all over campus. We will also try to have them in the programs that everyone will receive Friday evening and Sabbath morning. **Again, the more registrations we have online and ahead of time, the better.**

Is live streaming available for the individual class meetings?

Unfortunately, we do not have the technology or the manpower to provide live streaming for the individual class meetings. We suggest that, if there is someone that cannot attend in person but wants to attend virtually, someone from the class can bring a laptop and set up a meeting link from the meeting platform of their choice (i.e., Zoom, Google Meet, Teams, etc.).

Is there an Alumni Basketball game on Saturday night?

Yes. The Alumni Basketball Game is a favored tradition at Auburn Adventist Academy. This year, the game will be at 9:00 pm in Rainier Auditorium and the doors will open at 8:45 pm.

Will snacks/concessions be sold at the Alumni Basketball Game?

Yes. We will have pre-packaged items and drinks available for sale at the Alumni Basketball Game. Cash is preferred, but we will try to be set up for Credit Card sales as well.

Are there any Alumni activities on Sunday?

No. Some classes may choose to do something together off-campus on Sunday morning, but all Alumni activities on campus finish with the Alumni Basketball Game on Saturday night.

When will Alumni Weekend photos be available to download and is there a cost?

We will make every effort to have photos available to download from www.auburn.org/alumni-weekend as soon after the weekend as possible but given the busy-ness of May and Graduation, we ask for grace. When we post the photos, we will put a notification on Social Media so that you know when to check. We encourage you to continue to check the website for updates throughout the year. The photo downloads are free of charge.

We are here to help!

We make every effort to provide as much information as possible, and anticipate any questions you may have, but things come up. While you are on campus, there are many of us that can help you. The Alumni Association Board and the photographers will be wearing yellow lanyards with name tags. Auburn Academy Faculty and Staff will be wearing some combination of blue and gold and will have gold name tags. Also, you can find or contact Kellie Nunley, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at (253) 285-4521 or at kellie.nunley@auburn.org.

We look forward to seeing you!