

September 13, 2022

## Dear Class of 2002,

Can you believe we are just 1 month away from our 20-year reunion? I'm very excited to share our plans for the reunion this fall! I hope you can make it back to join us as we gather to celebrate 20 years! Mark your calendars for October 7 - 9.

So jumping right in, here's our schedule for the reunion weekend! First of all, please make sure you register for our events. You can register [here](https://concordiacollege.regfox.com/2022-homecoming-registration) (<https://concordiacollege.regfox.com/2022-homecoming-registration>). Please note, if you are attending with another adult, you will need to complete a registration for each adult. If you are looking for lodging, I know a couple of us have booked the Holiday Inn in Fargo near West Acres, but Concordia has hotel rates and rooms on the Homecoming website [here](https://www.concordiacollege.edu/alumni/homecoming/hotel-reservations/) (<https://www.concordiacollege.edu/alumni/homecoming/hotel-reservations/>).

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As most people will be arriving in town on Friday night, we will have an informal gathering at Junkyard Brewery starting at 7 pm. Look for the signs for **Concordia Class of 2002**. They are reserving a couple tables for us. Junkyard Brewery is located at 1416 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue North, Moorhead.

Also on Friday evening, the Homecoming banquet honoring this year's Alumni Achievement Award recipients begins at 6:30 p.m. in Knutson Campus Center - Centrum. This year Concordia will honor Phyllis Bryn-Julson '67, Beth Renner '91, Keith Fuglie '82 and Judge John P. Smith '71

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Saturday morning kicks off with our class breakfast. Our breakfast will begin at 9 a.m. in the Knutson Campus Center. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$5 for children 3-13. This is a kid friendly event. This will be a great chance to begin reconnecting with your classmates for the weekend and a chance to show off the campus to your family.

The Homecoming Parade treks down 8<sup>th</sup> Street beginning at 11:00 a.m. Grab your friends, families and of course - candy bags to check out this year's parade floats. Don't forget to bring your sweet tooth.

Help cheer on the Cobber football team to victory as they face Macalester at 1:00 p.m. There won't be special reserved seating for our class, but I'm sure you'll spot your classmates on the hill or by the end zone checking out the game. Tickets are available at the gate at the stadium.

The Homecoming Concert featuring the Concordia Band, Orchestra & Choir starts at 6:30 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium. This is free event - arrive early to get a good seat.

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Our big class gathering will take place Saturday night starting at 7:00 p.m. at Boulder Tap House located at 3333 US-10 Frontage Road in Moorhead (near Target, where Bennigan's used to be located). We have a space reserved until 10 pm. This is a free event, but please

register so we can have an idea of how many will attend. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. I hope people can make it - this should be a great evening to reconnect with classmates.

The weekend will cap off with All-Campus Worship in Memorial Auditorium on Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

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We have started new social media pages for our class on Twitter (@02Cobbers), Instragam (Cobbers 20th Reunion) and LinkedIn (2002 Concordia College Cobbers). We will also continue to update on our [Concordia College Class of 2002 - 20 year reunion group](#) on Facebook. The committee and I will send information and some fun interactive material will as we get closer to the weekend - these are a great way to start reconnecting before the reunion even begins! I encourage you to post pictures and share memories of your time at Concordia and in the 20 years since graduation. We will also have space for people to display photos and memorabilia from our time at Concordia at our different gatherings. Please bring some pictures or things to share. Lastly, please include the hashtag #02Cobbers in your posts from the weekend so we can collect some fun pictures. We will also tweet out during the weekend so you can find your 2002 Cobber family!

Lastly, I want to sincerely thank our planning committee for your time, ideas, brainstorming and help in pulling this reunion together. I couldn't have done it without you! Big thanks go to Nick Ewertz, Katherine (Nye) Halvorson, Larry Rock, Jamie Rosencrans, Courtney (Bagge) Mackall, Angie Benson, Jason DuBord & Arday Ardayfio.

Look forward to seeing everyone very soon,

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