

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

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MEDIA ALERT

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WHO: Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi Campus Community

WHAT: Homecoming 2009 Events

WHEN: Monday, Feb. 2, through Saturday, Feb. 7

WHERE: Various Locations at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi (Unless Otherwise Noted)

Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Celebrates Homecoming 2009 with Festivities for Students, Alumni and the Community

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi campus community will participate in a variety of activities during the 2009 Homecoming from Monday, Feb. 2, through Saturday, Feb. 7.

Events are as follows:

Monday, Feb. 2

- **Homecoming Kick-Off Picnic** – The 2009 Homecoming Kick-Off Picnic will be held Monday, Feb. 2, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Lee Plaza. The picnic will include an Islanderettes dance team performance at noon followed by a hip-hop dance routine by the Student Nurses Association and a Homecoming Court presentation at 12:30 p.m. Games include a timed basketball shootout and a Hi Striker.
- **Islander-Ino Casino Night** – The Campus Activities Board will host Islander-Ino Casino Night Monday, Feb. 2, from 6-9 p.m. in the

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University Center, Lone Star Ballroom. The event will include a live auction and prizes.

Tuesday, Feb. 3

- **Sidewalk Chalk Graffiti Contest** – The Student Government Association and the African American Cultural Society will hold a Sidewalk Chalk Graffiti Contest Tuesday, Feb. 3, from 4-6 p.m. in the Bay Hall area. Students will show a sidewalk square in front of Bay Hall.
- **Step and Stroll Show** – The Multi-Cultural Greek Council (MGC) will sponsor a reception and “Step and Stroll” show Tuesday, Feb. 3, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the University Center, Lone Star Ballroom. At 7 p.m., chapters from the MGC will perform their traditional steps, strolls and salutes. The event is open to the public.

Wednesday, Feb. 4

- **Housing Hoopla** – Camden Miramar will sponsor its “Housing Hoopla” Wednesday, Feb. 4, from 3-6 p.m. at the Camden Miramar parking lot. The event will include games, food, music, car-decorating and prizes.
- **Men’s Basketball Game** – The Islanders will host UT-Arlington Wednesday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. at the American Bank Center arena.

Thursday, Feb. 5

- **Blue and Green Day** – Student Activities will hold its Blue and Green Day Thursday, Feb. 5, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the University Center Commons. Events include an Islander fashion show and trivia game. Students may show their Islander spirit by wearing blue and green.
- **Pep Rally** – Islander Athletics and the Spirit Team will hold a Homecoming pep rally Thursday, Feb. 5, from 9-9:30 p.m.

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outside the Dugan Wellness Center. The event, which is open to the public, will include an introduction of the men's and women's basketball teams, entertainment by the Islander pep band, cheerleaders and dance team, and the ceremonial lighting of the "I."

- **Up All Night** – The Campus Activities Board will host "Up All Night" Thursday, Feb. 5, from 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. throughout the University Center. The spotlight activity will be Bongo Ball, an interactive team game similar to laser tag. There will be karaoke, homecoming pictures, free T-shirts, food and prizes. The event is open to the public.

Friday, Feb. 6

- **Islander Moms' Reception** – An Islander Moms' Reception will be held Friday, Feb. 6, from 10-11 a.m. in the University Center, Tejas Room A. Learn more about the Islander Moms organization and meet the Islander Moms of the Year nominees.
- **Fry-Day Fiesta** – A "Fry-Day Fiesta" luncheon will be held Friday, Feb. 6, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the Bay Hall lawn. The event, open to University students and employees and their families, will include games and food.
- **Athletic Hall of Honor Dinner** – Intercollegiate Athletics will hold its Athletic Hall of Honor Reception and Dinner Friday, Feb. 6, from 5-7 p.m. in the University Center. New members will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Honor and outstanding athletes will be recognized.
- **Official Ring Ceremony** – The Official Ring Ceremony will be held Friday, Feb. 6, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. Parents and friends are encouraged to join in the celebration.

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Saturday, Feb. 7

- **Islander Alumni and Parents' Awards Breakfast** – The “Islander Alumni and Parents' Awards Breakfast” honoring outstanding alumni, students, faculty, parents and former athletes will be held Saturday, Feb. 7, from 9-10:30 a.m. at the University Center, Lone Star Ballroom.
- **Alumni Annual Meeting** – The National Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting Saturday, Feb. 7, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the University Center, Lone Star Ballroom.
- **Homecoming Parade** – The 2009 Homecoming Parade will be held Saturday, Feb. 7, beginning at 5 p.m. The parade route begins at Whataburger Field and follows Mesquite to Palo Alto Streets and Shoreline Blvd., ending at the ABC parking lot.
- **Alumni Homecoming Shrimp Boil** – Alumni will meet for a shrimp boil Saturday, Feb. 7, at 5 p.m. at the American Bank Center, Parking Lot 7 before the Islanders vs. Nicholls State game.
- **Women's Basketball Game** –The Islanders will take on Nicholls State University at 7 p.m. at the American Bank Center arena.
There will be several chances to win prizes throughout the game

For a list of activities, go to <http://www.tamucc.edu/marcom/homecoming/>.