Parent & Damp; amp; Family Weekend Activities Abound

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As Green Wave fans young and old crash onto campus to celebrate homecoming, Parent & Damp; Family Weekend will give parents a chance to see campus abuzz with many events for all.



Parents and families? who remember what it was like to help their students move into residence halls when their university careers began? will be returning to the uptown campus for a weekend of special celebrations on Oct. 9â?"11. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

As the university celebrates its 175th anniversary, a variety of parent-focused programs starts on Friday (Oct. 9) with the Newcomb-Tulane College Homecoming Breakfast, followed by a town hall meeting with Tulane President Scott Cowen.

Maylen Aldana, assistant director for parent programs, hopes parents have an opportunity to connect with the university's alumni and keep up with what their children are doing on campus. "We organized many events on campus and around

the city so parents can see what is happening at Tulane as well as in New Orleans and enjoy everything both have to offer."

On campus, parents can attend cooking demonstrations, lectures by professors, a show at the Newcomb Art Gallery, a meet-and-greet session with Cynthia Cherrey, vice president of student affairs, and the opportunity to meet other parents during the parent/family society meeting.

Off-campus activities include helping area families save energy by participating in the community service event with the Green Light Project, visiting the National World War II Museum and touring the Crescent City.

On game day parents can enjoy a classic, all-you-can-eat jazz brunch with music from a jazz trio. Before the football match-up against Marshall University, the parent tent sponsored by the Division of Student Affairs will provide green hair extensions from the Paris Parker Salon for those who want to show their Green Wave spirit. Alumni from the NOLA Experience program also are encouraged to attend.

"We already have 500 registered for the events, so we hope families will take advantage of all of the many homecoming events open to them," Aldana says.

For ticket information, registration and a full list of events, visit the <u>Parent & amp;</u> <u>Family Weekend website</u>.