**HOMECOMING & REUNION WEEKEND 2024**Join us as we paint the campus crimson and blue, cheer on our Panther athletes, and bask in the camaraderie that defines the Hanover College experience. From the opening kickoff to the final farewell, Homecoming at Hanover is more than just an event—it's a celebration of the bonds that connect us and the memories that bind us. Check back often as we continue to update the schedule.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

* **Pardon Our Progress**: Please excuse our progress as the Campus Center undergoes an HVAC upgrade while remaining open.
* **Panther Shuttle Service:** Six-person golf carts will be available to assist those in need on Saturday, October 5, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pick-up and drop-off locations are at the Four Corners (Campus Clock) and in the Tailgate Lot (near the wooden bridge to Hanoverfest).

**FOOD OPTIONS**

**Saturday, October 5, 2024**

* 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.      Campus Center Main Dining Room
* 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.     Café 1827 / Proudly Serving Starbucks / Campus Center
* 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.   Underground Flex Kitchen / Campus Center / Lower Level
* 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.  Shoebox / Corner of Tailgate Lot
* 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.    Hanoverfest Tent Walk-Up Purchases / Behind Visitor Seating

**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

* 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.       Campus Center Main Dining Room / Campus Center
* 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.       Café 1827 / Starbucks / Campus Center / Lower Level
* 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.   Underground Flex Kitchen / Campus Center / Lower Level

**SPECIAL ASSISTANCE & CAMPUS SAFETY**For further help, please call Campus Safety at 812-866-7999 (7999 if calling from a campus emergency phone).

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024**

**9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
HANOVER COLLEGE CAMPUS STORE**Be sure to stop by the Hanover College Campus Store during Homecoming! The store offers various Hanover apparel, gifts, and memorabilia. Whether you want to update your Panther wardrobe or find the perfect keepsake, the campus store has something for everyone.

**10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
TRI KAPPA TOUR OF HOMES (Madison)**The Tri Kappa Tour of Homes in Madison, Indiana, allows individuals to tour private homes usually closed to the public. All the homes are located within 131 blocks of the community listed on the National Register of Historic Places. These homes are exceptional examples of Federal, Georgian, Regency, and Classic Revival architecture. All proceeds from the biennial tour contribute to local scholarships and other philanthropic projects. Ticket information is available at <https://www.trikappatourofhomes.com/2024/index.php#tickets>.

**5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
DONOR-SCHOLAR DINNER**The Donor Scholar Dinner, formerly known as the Donor Scholar Luncheon, held in May, will take place in the main dining room of the Campus Center. It will bring together Hanover College scholarship recipients and the generous donors who support their education. This event allows students to express their gratitude, share their personal stories, and discuss their achievements with the benefactors who have made their academic pursuits possible. Additionally, it allows donors to witness the impact of their contributions and connect with the future leaders they are supporting. *Please note that the VIP Dinner has been rescheduled for May 2025.***5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
GREEK ALUMNI MIXER**During Homecoming Weekend, reconnect with fellow fraternity and sorority alumni at the Greek Alumni Mixer! Enjoy casual networking, a cash bar, and light appetizers while catching up with old friends. Alumni are encouraged to bring their business cards for an authentic mixer experience. The evening will include an hour of socializing and chapter presentations from each fraternity and sorority.

In the spirit of giving back, we will also collect canned and nonperishable food items throughout the week for a service project. We would love your contributions! RSVP at <https://forms.office.com/r/f1Mxw8dWa0>

**7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
CLASS OF 1974 FRIDAY NIGHT GATHERING**Graduates of the Class of '74 are invited to the Shoebox for an informal pay-as-you-go gathering at the Shoebox. Catch up with old friends, reminisce, and make new memories.

**8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
ALUMNI-STUDENT DJ BINGO NIGHT**The Withrow Activities Center will host an electrifying twist on the classic bingo experience - DJ Bingo Night. Get ready to groove, gamble, and win exciting prizes while vibing to the hottest beats spun by our talented DJ.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024**

**8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m**.
**SELF-GUIDED CAMPUS TOUR**<https://www.hanover.edu/docs/campusmap.pdf>
Embark on a personalized journey of exploration and discovery with our new self-guided campus tours at Hanover College. Designed for alums, students, families, and visitors, this innovative approach allows you to experience our beautiful campus on your terms at your own pace. Why self-guided? Because we believe that every visitor deserves the freedom to explore our campus in a way that suits their individual preferences and interests. Our self-guided tour option lets you linger in your favorite spots and truly immerse yourself in the Hanover experience. If you can't return to campus, take the [Virtual Tour](https://www.hanover.edu/admission/visits/virtualtour/) today.

**9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE**Join Rev. Catherine Knott, Ball Family Chaplain, and others at the Memorial Wall, opposite the President's Home, for a heartfelt memorial service. We will gather to honor and remember those we have lost throughout the year. In a solemn and respectful atmosphere, we will unite as a community to celebrate our dearly departed lives, memories, and legacies.

**9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
HANOVER COLLEGE CAMPUS STORE POP-UP**
Stop by the Hanover College Campus Store pop-up in the Tailgate Lot, near the Hanoverfest Tent, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. to grab your favorite Panther gear and memorabilia! Whether looking for apparel, accessories, or unique gifts, this is your chance to stock up and show off your Hanover pride during Homecoming.

**9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
HANOVER COLLEGE CAMPUS STORE**Remember to check out the newly remodeled Hanover College Campus Store at the Campus Center during Homecoming! The store offers a variety of Hanover apparel, gifts, and memorabilia. Whether you want to update your Panther wardrobe or find the perfect keepsake, the campus store has something for everyone. Make sure to stop by and take home a piece of Hanover!

**10:00 a.m.
HC MENS & WOMENS TENNIS VS SHAWNEE STATE**Come out to support the Panthers as they showcase their talent and determination on the courts in what promises to be a thrilling competition. Let's cheer them on to victory!

**10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
STUDENT LIFE ALUMNI BRUNCH**All current and former Student Life employees are warmly invited to a delightful brunch at the home of Theresa Hitchcock, Director of Residential Engagement, located at 149 File Street (right by the sand volleyball courts). Indulge in a delicious spread of freshly made egg bake, French toast, breakfast meats, and pastries with coffee, cider, and mimosas. Vegetarian and gluten-free options will be available, ensuring everyone can enjoy!

**10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
TRI KAPPA TOUR OF HOMES (Madison)**The Tri Kappa Tour of Homes in Madison, Indiana, allows individuals to tour private homes that are usually closed to the public. All the homes are located within 131 blocks of the community listed on the National Register of Historic Places. These homes are exceptional examples of Federal, Georgian, Regency, and Classic Revival architecture. All proceeds from the biennial tour contribute to local scholarships and other philanthropic projects. Ticket information is available at <https://www.trikappatourofhomes.com/2024/index.php#tickets>.

**10:00 a.m.
1974 SUPER TORNADO OUTBREAK: 50TH ANNIVERSARY**Presented at the Archives in Duggan Library, you are invited to an incredible presentation on the power and danger of nature's most formidable force. This year marks the [50th anniversary](https://our.hanover.edu/1974-tornado-anniversary) of the 1974 Supercell Outbreak that destroyed Hanover College*. \*The presentation is a recording of Dr. Gregory Forbes's April 3, 2024, presentation.*

* **10:00 a.m.**: Replay of [Remembrance Ceremony](https://www.flickr.com/photos/hanovercollege/albums/72177720316006310/) on April 3, 2024.
* **11:30 a.m.**: Discussion and Desserts
* **Noon**: The Weather Channel's veteran severe-weather expert, Dr. Greg Forbes, headlined Hanover College's 50th-anniversary commemoration with a unique campus presentation on April 3, 2024, and will be replayed for this one-time-only event. Forbes offered unique insights into the notorious 1974 Super Outbreak.

 **11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
HANOVERFEST in the TAILGATE LOT**
It's a day filled with boundless energy, vibrant colors, and endless fun as students, alums, and friends come together to revel in the spirit of Panther pride. Please mark your calendars, dust off your blue and red gear, and join us in the tailgate lot for a day of pure joy, laughter, and Panther Pride at HanoverFest. Let's make this year's celebration one for the books!

* **Hanoverfest Tent** - in the Tailgate Lot - is open to everyone!
	+ Walk-up food purchases
	+ Open Seating
* **Bounce Houses**
Round up your friends, grab your socks, and get ready to bounce, laugh, and play until your heart's content. There's fun for all ages. Join us for a bouncing good time that will leave you smiling from ear to ear!
* **Milestone Class Reunions - find your Class under the Hanoverfest Tent!**Let's celebrate these milestones by reconnecting with old friends and creating new memories. The HanoverFest tent provides a perfect backdrop with vibrant decorations, lively music, and tailgate food available for purchase. Each milestone reunion will have a section for gathering. Seating will be provided, but guests are encouraged to bring lawn chairs. Let's tailgate in comfort!
	+ - 10 - Year Reunion ([**2014**](https://our.hanover.edu/10-year-reunion))
		- 25 - Year Reunion ([**1999**](https://our.hanover.edu/25-year-reunion))
		- 50 - Year Reunion ([**1974**](https://our.hanover.edu/50-year-reunion))
* **Departmental Tailgating**Join fellow alums, current students, and faculty in the Tailgate Lot *(Front Row behind Visitor Seating)*  to reconnect within a relaxed, festive atmosphere. Each department will host its tailgate, offering a chance to reminisce, network, and celebrate the achievements of your academic community. Whether catching up with old friends at the International/Multicultural Alumni-Student tent, enjoying a chili cook-off with the Communications Department, or mingling with fellow science enthusiasts at the Chemistry & Biology tailgate, there's something for everyone. Enjoy great food, lively conversation, and plenty of Panther pride!
	+ German Department/Foreign Languages (Alexis Smith)
	+ Biology (Glene Mynhardt)
	+ Chemistry (Edward Hall)
	+ Education (Cheryl Torline)
	+ Geology (Ken Bevis)
	+ LGBTQIA+ (Staff representative)
	+ Communication (Val Young)
	+ Math (Duong Nguyen)
	+ DPT/OT (Garnett Tipton)
	+ International/Multicultural (Constance Pope)
* **Visit the Alumni Tent!**
Catch up on the latest campus news, grab some Hanover swag, take photos at the selfie station, and enjoy the festive atmosphere. Whether you're a recent graduate or haven't been back in years, the Alumni Tent welcomes you with open arms.

**11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
LGBTQIA+ OPEN HOUSE**Join us for the Hanover College LGBTQIA+ Open House at Lynn Hall! This event is an inclusive and welcoming space for all students, faculty, staff, and allies to unite and celebrate our diverse community. Whether you identify as LGBTQIA+ or are an ally, this open house offers a beautiful opportunity to connect, learn, and engage with others.

**12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
ALUMNI AWARDS LUNCHEON**
Hanover College's [Alumni Awards Luncheon](https://our.hanover.edu/Alumni_Award_Presentations) will be held on the patio of the Campus Center and is hosted by the Alumni Leadership Council. The luncheon will recognize alums for their contributions to their community, state, and nation through their professional, public, and civic activities. The highest honor is the Alumni Achievement Award, given to alums who have enhanced the college's reputation. Additionally, the college presents the Distinguished Young Alumni Award, the highest honor for alums under 40. For more information about this year's honorees, please visit <https://our.hanover.edu/Alumni_Awards>.

* **2024 Distinguished Young Alumni Award Honorees**
	+ Jenn Williams '10
	+ Cassi Binkley Friday '11
* **2024 Alumni Achievement Award Honorees**
	+ John Stanley '72
	+ Pete Corrao '76

**12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**We’re excited to invite you to our Annual Blessing of the Animals at Dr. Bob’s Dog Park from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.! Bring your furry, feathered, or even scaly friends (spiders on a leash, please!) for a special blessing by our Chaplain.

* While we can’t offer exorcisms for any mischievous cats or wayward chickens, we’ll happily share prayers of gratitude and care for all of your beloved critters. It’s always a fun and meaningful time, so we hope to see you and your animal companions there!

**1:00 p.m.
HC WOMEN SOCCER VS BLUFFTON**Come cheer on the Hanover College Women's Soccer team as they take on Bluffton in an exciting match of skill and determination. Support the Panthers as they aim for victory on their home turf!

**1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**[**PANTHER FOOTBALL**](https://athletics.hanover.edu/sports/football/schedule/2024)**VS MOUNT ST. JOSEPH**Grab your foam fingers, don your team colors, and get ready to witness gridiron greatness in action. Don't miss the excitement as Hanover College takes on Mount St. Joseph in a football showdown at Alumni Stadium.

**1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
CHAMPION'S CLUB GATHERING**All members of The Panther Club at Champion Level ($5000+) are invited to the Homecoming football game to enjoy the festivities from the President's Box. Come cheer on your Panthers!   The [Panther Club's](https://our.hanover.edu/ways-to-give/panther-club) sole purpose is to provide additional financial assistance to our athletic department for our students, coaches, and teams. With your support, we will promote the championship spirit of Hanover athletics. *\*Members Only*

**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
NICHOLS LIFETIME INQUIRY SERIES: Celebrating 25 Years of Semester-Long Study Abroad**From Europe's cobblestone streets to Asia's bustling markets, Hanover College students have ventured far and wide to broaden their horizons and deepen their understanding of the world. Join us in the Campus Center Patio/Lobby as we celebrate a quarter-century of Study Abroad programs at Hanover College.

* 3:00 p.m. to 3:05 p.m. | Guests Arrive
* 3:05 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. | Welcome and Check-In
* 3:15 p.m. to 3:20 p.m. | Opening Remarks
* 3:20 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. | Reflections on 25 Years: Insights & Our Journey
	+ Dr. Celia Dollmeyer, Professor Emerita of Spanish (via Teams)
	+ Dr. John Krantz, Professor Emeritus of Psychology
	+ Dr. Glené Mynhardt, Associate Professor of Biology
	+ Dr. John Riddick, Executive Director and Professor of the Business Scholars Program
	+ Dr. Ann Kirkland, Professor of French
* 4:15 p.m. to 4:20 p.m. | Audience Q&A
* 4:20 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. | Dr. Ginny Cooper Ballinger ’64
* 4:30 p.m. to 4:40 p.m. | Open Mic Story Slam
* 4:40 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Mix & Mingle with Closing Remarks

**3:30 P.M.
HC MEN'S SOCCER VS BLUFFTON**Come cheer on the Hanover College Men's Soccer team as they take on Bluffton in an exciting match of skill and determination. Support the Panthers as they aim for victory on their home turf!

**5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
CLASS OF 1999: 25-YEAR REUNION DINNER - Ogle Center**Wow, get ready to turn back the clock and relive some incredible memories because your 25-Year Reunion is on the horizon. Get ready for a blast from the past and a weekend filled with nostalgia, laughter, and catching up with old friends. Here's to memories of the past and new connections as we celebrate this special milestone. Cheers to the Class of '99!

* **Evening Schedule**
	+ 5:30 p.m.: Doors Open at the Ogle Center/ Reception
	+ 6:10 p.m.: Class Photo
	+ 6:15 p.m.: Campus Update / President Lake Lambert
	+ 6:30 p.m.: Dinner
	+ 7:15 p.m.: Mix & Mingle
	+ 10:00 p.m. Evening Ends

**5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
CLASS OF 1974:  50-YEAR REUNION DINNER - Science Center**Come to the Science Center with fellow members of the Class of '74 for an evening of laughter, nostalgia, and the joy of shared experiences. Let's make this reunion dinner a night to remember—one that celebrates the enduring spirit of Hanover College and the timeless friendships that have stood the test of time.

* **Evening Schedule**
	+ 5:30 p.m.: Doors Open to enjoy an open bar and light hors d'oeuvres
	+ 6:30 p.m.: Class of 1974 (in front of Science Center; weather permitting)
	+ 6:30 p.m.: Heavy hors d'oeuvres and carving station
	+ 6:45 p.m.: Welcome by Elaine Kops-Bedel '74
	+ 7:00 p.m.: State of the College by President Lambert
	+ 7:05 p.m.: Memorial Recognition by Karl Plank ‘74
	+ 7:10 p.m.: Final Words from Reunion Committee by Ken Gladish ’74
	+ 7:15 p.m.: Mix & Mingle
	+ 10:00 p.m. Evening Ends

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024**

**10:00 a.m.
SUNDAY SERVICES: Hanover Presbyterian Church** ([directions](https://maps.app.goo.gl/zweHhqYvCR42JzvH8)).
Rev. Catherine Knott, Hanover College Ball Family Chaplain, will offer communion.

**Noon to 5:00 p.m.
TRI KAPPA TOUR OF HOMES (Madison)**The Tri Kappa Tour of Homes in Madison, Indiana, allows individuals to tour private homes that are not usually open to the public. Ticket information is available at <https://www.trikappatourofhomes.com/2024/index.php#tickets>.