Homecoming schedule 2018

for alumni and families of current students

Events are free and open to everyone unless otherwise noted.

Events, times and locations are subject to change. Please see the homecoming website for the latest event details:

goshen.edu/homecoming

Thursday, October 4

7:30 p.m.
Yoder Public Affairs Lecture
Music Center, Rieth Recital Hall

Ambassador David Reimer '84, a 2018 Culture for Service awardee, will present this year's lecture. He is a career diplomat, currently serving as the U.S. Ambassador to Mauritius and Seychelles.

Friday, October 5

9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Homecoming Visit Day
(for high school-age children of alumni and siblings of current students)
Church-Chapel, Fellowship Hall

Attend classes, tour campus, interact with a student panel of current students and stay overnight in a residence hall (optional). **Registration required at goshen.edu/visit.**

9:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Meet and greet for prospective students, grandparents, parents and siblings of current students
Church-Chapel, Fellowship Hall

Registration required.

10 a.m.
Homecoming Convocation
Church-Chapel

Culture for Service Award
Patricia Ebersole Zwier '76
David Reimer '84

Young Alumni Servant Leadership Award
Jes Stoltzfus Buller '08

Champions of Character Award
Penina Acayo '11
Byron Shenk '63

This special convocation will feature 2018 alumni award recipients. David Reimer '84 and Jes Stoltzfus Buller '08 will speak.

10:45 a.m.
Reception for Alumni Award Recipients
Church-Chapel, Fellowship Hall

11 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Lunch
Westlawn Dining Hall

Leaf Raker Cafe is open until 4:30 p.m. in the *Union Building.*

12 – 1 p.m.
Student Music Recitals
Music Center, Rieth Recital Hall

1 p.m.
Alumni and Family Bicycle Ride
Meet at Schrock Plaza fountain

Ride Goshen's Pumpkinvine Bike Trail with other alumni, friends and families. Choose rides from a few miles to up to 35 miles. Groups will form going different speeds and distances. For details, contact Keith Miller '71 at kamiller@maplenet.net. **Registration encouraged.**

1 – 5 p.m.
Attend class

Parents and grandparents may choose to attend a class with your student during this time. As a courtesy to professors and to ensure there is room for visitors, your student will need to speak with the professor about your classroom visit ahead of time or you can connect with the admissions office to see a list of available classes.

1 – 3:30 p.m.
Campus Tours
Welcome Center

New to campus or just want to see what has changed? Half-hour tours leave the Welcome Center at 1, 2 and 3 p.m. and full hour tours leave at 1 and 2 p.m. Need a lift? Request a golf cart ride on the registration form. **Registration encouraged.**

2 – 5 p.m.
Road Trip to Goshen College's Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center
Leave from the south side of the Union Building

Ride in a GC bus to Merry Lea, tour the facilities and learn more about the amazing programs that are part of this GC gem. Presentation by Merry Lea staff will focus on sustainable foods grown on the Merry Lea Farm. Bus will leave from campus at 2 p.m. and return by 5 p.m. **Registration required. Limited space.**

2 – 3 p.m.
"Financing College"
Union Building, Room 111

Joel Short '04, director of financial aid, will talk about financial aid and how to best plan and save for your child or grandchild's college education.

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Special Faculty & Student Presentations

Choose from the following options:

"50 Years of SST. What's in store for the next 50?: A Report on the Recently Concluded SST Search Conference"
Jan Bender Shetler '78, *professor of history*
Duane Stoltzfus '81, *professor of communication*

"Mennonite Historical Library Treasures"
Good Library, 3rd floor, Horsch Room (room 301). Elevator is available.
Joe Springer, *curator, Mennonite Historical Library*

"Latino Students and SST"
Landon Weldy and Jose Ortiz, *current GC students*

"Gamelan Demonstration"
Marcia Yost, *director of the arts*
Dr. Debra Detwiler '79, *professor of music*

"Nursing in Nepal"
Brenda Srof '82, *professor of nursing*
Jody Srof '82, *associate professor of nursing*

4 – 7:30 p.m.
Class of 1968 – 50th Anniversary Banquet
Greencroft Senior Center
Cost: **$25, Registration required**

Celebrate 50 golden years! Class picture will be taken promptly at 4:30 p.m.

5 – 6:30 p.m.
Dinner
Westlawn Dining Hall

5 – 10 p.m.
Goshen First Friday
Downtown Goshen

Stroll the streets of Downtown Goshen and visit shops, restaurants and art galleries at this monthly celebration of all that is good about Goshen. Visit the GC table in the Goshen Theater where GC's Lavender Jazz Band will perform. Learn more at **cityonthego.org.**

5 – 8 p.m.
The Globe at Ignition Garage
120 East Washington Street

As part of the celebration of the 60th anniversary of WGCS, stop by the 91.1 The Globe's downtown storefront studio inside Ignition Music Garage.

8 p.m.
Peace Plays
Umble Center
All seats: **$5**

Ticket window will open at 7 p.m. for ticket purchase or will call.

Saturday, October 6

8 – 9:30 a.m. (buffet closes at 8:30 a.m.)
Alumni and Family Breakfast
Church-Chapel, Fellowship Hall

Costs: **$15** for adults
$10 for children ages 5-11
FREE for children under 5
Registration required

Start the day with a buffet breakfast, a warm welcome from President Rebecca Stoltzfus '83 and some words from Patricia Ebersole Zwier '76, a 2018 Culture for Service Award recipient. Parables, GC's worship team, will also perform.

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.
Free time

Opportunity for parents and grandparents to spend time with your college student. Bookstore and Java Junction will open at 10 a.m.

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.
Preschool childcare (3-5 yrs.)
Church-Chapel, Nursery Rooms

Includes snack. Please pick up your children at 11:45 a.m. **Registration required.**

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.
K-6th grade activities
Rec-Fitness Center, Lobby

A variety of age-appropriate activities are planned, includes snack. **Registration required.**

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.
Middle and high school students
Kratz-Miller-Yoder Connector, Java Junction

Chill, Chat and Chai with GC students. Admission staff and students will meet you there. An optional campus tour will be offered at 10:30 a.m. **Registration encouraged.**

9:45 – 11:45 a.m.
Alumni Class Reunions

Drinks and a light snack will be provided. We will not be holding 5th or 15th year class reunions (classes of 2013 and 2003) in 2018.

65th – Class of 1953
Church-Chapel, Room 100

60th – Class of 1958
Church-Chapel, Room 110

55th – Class of 1963
Church-Chapel, Room 112

50th – Class of 1968
Church-Chapel, Koinonia Room 300-301

45th – Class of 1973
Rec-Fitness Center, Room 104-105

40th – Class of 1978
Music Center, Room 100

35th – Class of 1983
Newcomer Center, Room 17

30th – Class of 1988
Music Center, Room 153

25th – Class of 1993
Music Center, Room 150

20th – Class of 1998
Newcomer Center, Room 19

10th – Class of 2008
Church-Chapel, Gathering Room 141-144

10:30 a.m.
Campus Tours
Welcome Center

11 a.m.
Intersquad GC Men's Basketball Game
Rec-Fitness Center, Gunden Gymnasium

12 p.m.
Food Truck Extravaganza
Rec-Fitness Center, parking lot

Enjoy lunch from local food trucks (Mexican, Indian and hot dogs). Interact informally with retired faculty members from your department and learn more about what is going on now at GC from current faculty members. Food can be purchased directly from the vendors.

12 – 1 p.m.
Champions of Character Reception
Rec-Fitness Center, Turf Room

2018 Champions of Character:
Penina Acayo '11, Byron Shenk '63

1 – 3 p.m.
Ultimate Frisbee Tournament
Field in front of the Rec-Fitness Center

Join members of the GC Ultimate Club for a fun game of Ultimate Frisbee.

1 – 2:30 p.m.
Biological Sciences Reception: "Celebrating 'Culture for Service' in the Medical Field"
Newcomer Center, Room 17

All are invited to learn more about pre-health education at GC through a panel discussion with alumni working in medicine. Join us for a dessert buffet and good conversation.

1 – 3 p.m.
WGCS – Globe Radio Open Studio Tours

Open studio tours will take place in the Union Building on Saturday afternoon. Tour station facilities, meet the staff and record your own custom liner for broadcast.

1:30 – 3 p.m.
The Future of Study-Service Term
Church-Chapel, Gathering Rooms 141-144

Jan Bender Shetler '78, professor of history, and Duane Stoltzfus '81, professor of communication, will present themes emerging from the recent SST search conference. This will be primarily an interactive event with an opportunity for the audience to share their SST experiences and the impact of SST on their lives and vocations. Former SST directors and unit leaders are all specially invited to participate in this event.

1:30 – 4:30 p.m.
SST StoryCorps
Church-Chapel Library

Film production students will be conducting interviews with SST alumni who want to share their SST experience.

1:30 – 3 p.m.
Book Signing – alumni authors & editors
GC Bookstore

See **goshen.edu/homecoming** for a list of the books and authors/editors to be featured.

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.
Soccer Croquet
Kratz-Miller-Yoder Lawn

Come learn to play this exciting game of soccer skill developed by Thavisak Mounsithiraj '94. It's a fun combination of soccer, croquet and golf.

2 p.m.
Women's Soccer Game vs. Marian University
GC Soccer Field

2 p.m.
Men's Alumni Basketball Game
Rec-Fitness Center, Gunden Gymnasium

3 – 4 p.m.
Homecoming Hymn Sing
Music Center, Rieth Recital Hall

Led by Dr. Debra Detwiler '79, professor of music.

3 – 4 p.m.
The WGCS 60th Anniversary Celebration
Newcomer Center, Room 17

Hear stories, browse memorabilia and reunite with past staffers as you listen to an audio documentary chronicling the station's history.

4 p.m.
Peace Plays
Umble Center
All seats: **$5**

Ticket window will open at 7 p.m. for ticket purchase or will call.

5 p.m.
Men's Soccer Alumni Game vs the GC Reserve Soccer Team
GC Soccer Field

5 – 6:45 p.m.
Homecoming Indoor Picnic
Church-Chapel, Fellowship Hall

Costs: **$15** for adults
$7 for children ages 5-11
FREE for children under 5

All are welcome to enjoy a great dinner of picnic food. From 4:30 – 7 p.m. Mark Daniels '00 will be here to draw caricatures for children and youth.

5:30 – 7 p.m.
Exhibit Reception: The Hunsberger Haitian Art Collection and the Nyai Oyer Gamelan
Music Center, Hershberger Art Gallery

Come see pieces from the Arlin and Naomi Hunsberger Haitian Art Collection and the Nyai Oyer Gamelan, a very large, traditional, Javanese instrument gifted to GC in honor of Dr. Mary Oyer by the late Duane Gingerich '69 and his wife, Reti.

6 p.m.
Women's Alumni Basketball Game
Rec-Fitness Center, Gunden Gymnasium

7:30 – 8:30 p.m.
Homecoming Music Gala
Music Center, Sauder Concert Hall
Cost: **$8**, GC students free

The music department presents its annual showcase of student and faculty musicians. Ticket window will open at 6:30 p.m. for ticket purchase or will call.

Sunday, October 7

9:30 a.m.
Worship at College Mennonite Church
Church-Chapel

President Rebecca Stoltzfus '83 will be preaching. Pre-service singing starts at 9:15 a.m. Coffee is served in the Fellowship Hall immediately after the service. For a complete list of local congregations, visit: **goshen.edu/faith/church-directory**

12 – 1 p.m.
Lunch
Westlawn Dining Hall

2 p.m.
Peace Plays
Umble Center
All seats: **$5**

Ticket window will open at 1 p.m. for ticket purchase or will call.