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The Southern University Alumni Federation (SUAF) is pleased to announce the 2023 Homecoming event lineup, “All Southern Homecoming: The Bluff Edition.” We are excited to host our annual 40 under 40 Awards Event, Alumni Day Party, Alumni Roundup and Ecumenical Services as part of Homecoming festivities, October 12 – 15, 2023. We would like your support.

- ❖ **Thursday, Oct. 12:** 40 Under 40 Awards Event will be held at the River Center Branch Library. This prestigious event recognizes individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, innovation, and impact across various fields. From business and entrepreneurship to arts, sciences, and social activism. Tickets to attend is \$60.
- ❖ **Friday, Oct. 13:** The Day Party will feature good music, fried fish and fried chicken, and a vendor fair market. It will be held from 11 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Alumni Federation lawn. Early Bird Tickets are \$25 per person and after that \$40. Sponsorships are available. See attached sponsorship letter. **Limited day of event tickets will be available.**
- ❖ **Friday, Oct. 13:** The Alumni Roundup will feature a performance by Southern Soul and R&B Singer Ronnie Bell, a Louisiana native and Southern University alumnus who is best known for his hit “Cotton Candy.” It will also include food and a special tribute to our Support-A-Southernite donors. The Roundup will be held from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Cotillion Ballroom in the Smith-Brown Memorial Union. Early Bird tickets are \$50, \$60 (August 1-October 6) and \$70 (October 7-13). Tables of 10 are \$750 and after that \$1,000. Since there is a capacity limit in the Cotillion Ballroom, I am encouraging you to secure your event tickets/tables today before we share with the public! Sponsorships available. See attached sponsorship letter.
- ❖ **Saturday, Oct. 14:** Parade, Tailgating, & Game Day – Details are forthcoming.
- ❖ **Sunday, Oct. 15:** We will closeout homecoming by attending Ecumenical Services at Living Faith Christian Center at 10:15 a.m. under the direction of Bishop Raymond Johnson.

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- ❖ **Alumni Chapter's Only:** We are also planning to have chapters around the nation displayed with Yard signs as well as an Alumni Chapter Showcase area during the Homecoming Day Party & Tailgate. We believe this will be great visibility for all chapters.

The Yard sign will include your chapter name, contact information, and year founded. The Alumni Chapter Showcase area will have tables for chapters to display their chapter information and have chapter representatives interact with alums at the Day Party.

Your chapter can participate for a fee of \$100 (Yard sign/ Table in showcase area) or \$50 (Yard Sign). Each chapter is responsible for decorating their assigned table. If interested, please submit payment by September 15, 2023.

While using the electronic payment feature to purchase your homecoming event tickets via [Alumni Homecoming - Southern University System Foundation \(sus.edu\)](https://sus.edu), at this time the system will not allow you to purchase tickets for multiple events at once. Therefore, please be understanding with us as we are putting measures in place to upgrade our software for future events.

I am hoping each of you take advantage of purchasing your event tickets early for all of our events. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or one of the chairs as listed below. **Thanking you in advance for all your support.**

Sincerely,

Carlton Jones
National President

Cortny R Jarrell, Homecoming Chair
1st Vice-President

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