

UCSD homecoming weekend kickoff events

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MEDIA ADVISORY

EVENT: Chancellor runs for student scholarships while Medical School Dean cuts 25th anniversary cake

DATE/TIME: Friday, October 24, Noon-1 p.m.

LOCATION: University of California, San Diego campus, La Jolla--various sites

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BACKGROUND: UC San Diego Chancellor Robert C. Dynes is putting his feet to work for students. Dynes will lead hundreds of participants in a 5K Run-Walk for Scholars through the UCSD cross country course, starting at noon and ending when the last participant crosses the finish line. Chancellor Dynes has challenged UCSD students, faculty and staff by pledging \$5 to the UCSD Undergraduate Scholarship Fund for everyone who finishes the race and an additional \$5 for every runner finishing ahead of him. Several corporate sponsors also are supporting the event. All proceeds benefit student scholarships.

The participants will begin gathering to register at 11 a.m. and the run/walk starts at noon on the field adjacent to RIMAC on the UCSD campus. RIMAC is off Northpoint Drive, North Torrey Pines Road at the northern end of the campus. The event ends at RIMAC with refreshments and awards.

Also over the noon hour, School of Medicine students, faculty and staff will join John Alksne--dean of the school and a practicing neurosurgeon--as he puts his training to the test and cuts a giant 25th anniversary cake celebrating the silver anniversary of the School's charter class. He will make informal remarks and cut the cake at approximately 12:15 p.m.

The School of Medicine 25th anniversary cake-cutting and ceremonies will take place on the lawn adjacent to the Club Med, the School of Medicine dining facility off William Osler Lane, which is off Gilman Drive.

These events kick off a weekend of Homecoming activities. The community is invited to join returning alumni, students, staff and faculty for a day of lectures, exhibits and tours scheduled on Saturday. Twenty-fifth anniversary events for the School of Medicine also are scheduled throughout the weekend.

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