



2014 BEARCAT AWARDS INFORMATION PACKET

<p>September 11, 15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homecoming General Information Meetings at 12pm and 3:30pm (Sept. 11) • Homecoming General Information Meetings at 12pm and 3:15pm (Sept. 15) <p>September 28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bearcat Awards Games Meeting at 6pm in PAC 220 • ENTRY FORMS ARE DUE AT MEETING! • Chalk the Walk and Spirit Mural Supply Pick Up <p>September 29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homecoming Court Applications Due at 12pm <p>October 5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (i) Homecoming Talent Show Auditions at 6pm (location TBA) <p>October 10, 12, 13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homecoming Court Interviews <p>October 19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (+) Bearcat Games – 1:00pm at Leemon Field <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Super Relay Races ○ Tricycle Races ○ Mechanical Bull <p>Monday, October 20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (+) (i) PARADE ENTRIES DUE! • Faculty/Staff Dec Your Office Contest Begins (8am) • (+) Spirit Murals Due • (+) Bearcat Amazing Race (7pm at The Lair) <p>Tuesday, October 21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (+) Where's Bogey? Event (1pm) • (i) Homecoming Week Cookout (4pm) 	<p>Wednesday, October 22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (i) Homecoming Royalty Voting Begins on BlackBoard (12am) <p>(+) (i) McKendree's Got Talent Spirit and Variety Show - The Hett (8:30pm)</p> <p>Thursday, October 23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (+) Where's Bogey? Event (1pm) • (i) Trivia Night (8pm) <p>Friday, October 24 - Purple and White Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (+) Where's Bogey? Event (1pm) • (+) Food Fight (11am-1pm) • Dec Your Office/Dec Your Hall Judging (3pm) • (i) Homecoming Royalty Voting Ends on BlackBoard (3pm) <p>Saturday, October 25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homecoming Parade Lineup (10:00am) • (+)(i) Homecoming Parade (11:00am) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Floats will be judged during the parade. • (i) Football Game @ Leemon Field (1:30pm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Homecoming Royalty Court announced in the pre-game ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ King and Queen Announced ○ Faculty/Staff Office Dec Winners Announced ○ Parade Winners Announced ○ Bearcat Award Winners Announced ○ Food Fight Winners Announced • (i) Homecoming Post-Game Concert (4:30pm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Location TBA
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(i) Denotes campus-wide events.

(+) Denotes events that are Bearcat Award Point events

***Some dates, events, locations and rules subject to change.**

For more information, please go to: www.mckendree.edu/studenthc

Homecoming – Bearcat Award Games Information

The Bearcat Award is the highest honor given in the name of Homecoming participation. This award recognizes student organizations and residence halls that take an active and spirited part in Homecoming Week. **The Bearcat Award will consist of two categories: Registered Student Organization (RSO) and Residence Hall. The prizes for winning will be as follows: First Place: \$300, Second Place: \$200, Third Place: \$100.** Bearcat Award points are earned through attendance and participation in all activities during the week's events. Awards will be announced during the Homecoming Football game on Saturday, October 25.

Registered teams are expected to participate in all scheduled events. Registration closes on September 28 at 6pm. Teams that register after September 28 will not be eligible for 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place but may still participate in the competition. All events require a completed participation form. Entry forms will be completed online by using the links at <http://www.mckendree.edu/studenthc>.

Smaller Registered Student Organizations are allowed to pair up with another organization to compete in the games. In this case, any points won would be split between the two merged groups. For the Homecoming Parade, paired groups would need to either register as a paired group or compete individually in the parade (remember there are cash prizes, and we'd like to have additional entries in the parade). In the event the group splits for the parade (ie. Each group does a float for their own group's recognition in the parade) they must choose and agree which parade entry will count for the Bearcat Awards competition; however each could still potentially win a cash award for the parade.

It would be advisable to update your group's information online at: <http://www.mckendree.edu/student-life/involvement/rso/resources/index.php>. Use the renewal form. A student organization pairing cannot exceed two organizations.

Clarification for competition in events:

1. Athletic teams are not considered Registered Student Organizations and may not compete singly as a team or be paired with any group. Athletes who may be members of a Registered Student Organization should have written permission from their coach to participate with their RSO or Residence Hall.
2. Category Requirements (RSO and Residence Hall): There must be a minimum of 4 teams participating in a category for a prize to be awarded. If there are not enough teams in each category, the categories will be merged and only one prize category will be awarded. *For instance, if there are 5 RSOs competing and only 3 Residence Halls, there will only be one category with all teams competing for one prize. If there were 4 RSOs and 4 Residence Hall teams, there would be two competitions, with a winner in the Residence Hall category and a winner in the RSO category.*

Bearcat Award General Events and Information

Must be completed by 6pm on Sunday, Oct. 19

- Community Decorating Contest
 - Chalk Our Walk
 - Spirit Murals

(Sunday, October 19 at 1:00pm):

- Teams will consist of a maximum of six members.
- Super Relay Race will be done in pairs (two teams at a time) and timed. Teams will draw for pairings. In the event teams tie, a 30 yard dizzy bat race will determine the winner.
- The Super Relay Race will consist of the following:
 - Bearcat Crawl (Event will be done on the football field. NOTE: The field is turf, so wear knee pads if necessary)
 - Dizzy Bat (10 revolutions)
 - Obstacle Course
 - 4-legged Race
 - Tricycles
 - For events that require it, each player will complete his or her section of the relay, and then tag the next team member to begin the next portion of the race. You may need to strategically place people in order to complete the relay. **See last page for a diagram of the Super Relay.**
- Other Events to take place on Sunday, October 19:
 - Tricycle Race at Leemon Field
 - Mechanical Bull Riding Competition
- Any team found in blatant violation of the rules or cheating will be immediately disqualified from that event.
- The events will begin at 1:00 p.m. at Leemon Field (football/soccer field) on Sunday, October 19, 2014.
 - Tardiness to a match may result in an automatic loss or point deduction from final total.

Non-Relay Race Competitions (Monday, October 20-Saturday, October 25):

- Bearcat Amazing Race
- McKendree's Got Talent Variety Show
- Food Fight
- Parade/Float Competition

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Bearcat Award – Point System

Current standings will be posted online at www.mckendree.edu/studenthc, and winners will be announced during the Homecoming Football Game. Winners will have their photo taken at the football game. If weather prohibits a photo, it will be taken the week following Homecoming. For more information, the CAB Office, (618) 537-6856 or email cabtraditions@mckendree.edu.

Chalk Our Walk Contest – Oct. 19 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25	Where's Bogey? – Oct. 23 Each Bogey Found..... 30
Super Relay Races – Oct. 19 Participation..... 30 1 st Place..... 125 2 nd Place..... 100 3 rd Place..... 75	Team Trivia Night – Oct. 23 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25
Tricycle Race – Oct. 19 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25	Food Fight – Oct. 24 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25
Mechanical Bull – Oct. 19 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25	Where's Bogey? – Oct. 24 Each Bogey Found..... 30
Spirit Murals – Complete and Turn in by Oct. 20 Participation..... 15 1 st Place..... 75 2 nd Place..... 50 3 rd Place..... 25	Parade – Oct. 25 – Decorated Float Participation..... 50 CASH PRIZE: 1 st Place..... 200 \$100 2 nd Place..... 150 \$50 3 rd Place..... 100 \$25
Bearcat Amazing Race Challenge – Oct. 20 Participation..... 30 1 st Place..... 125 2 nd Place..... 100 3 rd Place..... 75	Parade – Oct. 25 – Decorated Vehicle/Golf Cart Participation 30 CASH PRIZE: 1 st Place 100 \$60 2 nd Place 75 \$40 3 rd Place 50 \$25
Where's Bogey? – Oct. 21 Each Bogey Found..... 30	Parade – Oct. 25 – Walking Group Entry 20
McKendree's Got Talent Variety and Spirit Show – Oct. 22 Participation..... 40 1 st Place..... 125 2 nd Place..... 100 3 rd Place..... 75	
DATES, EVENTS, RULES, AND TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.	

Bearcat Award Games Event Rules

Relay Races will be held at Leemon Field (Football/Soccer Field) at 1:00pm on Sunday, Oct. 19

Chalk Our Walk (Oct. 19) and Spirit Murals (Must be completed by 12pm Monday, Oct. 20)

These events consist of decorating a sidewalk area on campus, and creating a spirit banner – all incorporating the 2014 Theme, “Totally Awesome! McKendree Rocks the 80’s!” **Judging Points:** Creativity, Neatness, Theme Included, Overall Appearance

Each participating group will get one bucket of chalk, a banner, purple, white, and gold tempura paint, and two paint brushes. Teams may purchase additional items to use for decorating. **GLITTER IS NOT PERMITTED AND GROUPS USING GLITTER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.** Should groups want to provide their own banner, the banner must be lightweight material, preferably cloth, altered to 96 inches by 66 inches (standard flat twin sized sheet). **Fabric shower curtains with shower curtain hooks are recommended for easy display.** If the banner is larger than 96 inches by 66 inches, the organization will be disqualified from the event. If you have questions about items you can use, please contact the Traditions Committee at: cabtraditions@mckendree.edu. Supplies can be picked up at the Bearcat Award Games meeting and sign up deadline. Chalk the Walk will be held on Sunday, October 19 and must be completed by the end of the day. In the event of rain, Chalk the Walk will take place on the next clear day. Spirit Murals must be turned in before noon on October 20.

General Rules:

1. Chalk Our Walk is a part of the Bearcat Award competition, but anyone can participate. Non competitors may use any left over chalk, but are encouraged to bring their own.
2. For Chalk the Walk and Spirit Murals, groups must include 3 items in their design: the Homecoming Theme: **“Totally Awesome! McKendree Rocks the 80’s”**, name of the organization/Hall, and the words, **“McKendree University”** should also be incorporated in the design.
3. All artwork shall not depict profanity, alcohol/drug use, illegal acts, slanderous statements, and shall be sensitive to all ethnic groups, racial, sex, and other groups.
4. Entries should not contain political, commercial, or controversial themes.
5. There is no limit to resources for the banner except for glitter. **All banners with glitter will be disqualified and will not be displayed. Use of enamel spray paint is allowed, but your banner must be completely dried before submitting. Absolutely no banners will be painted on the floor in The Lair!**
6. Teams are limited to chalking within assigned squares.
7. In the event of bad weather, the event may be moved to an alternate date. Banners may be allowed to be taken with the team for completion.
8. Campus Activities Board is not responsible for stolen or lost banners.
9. Photos will be taken of your Spirit Mural and assigned sidewalk area and posted on the Campus Activities Board’s Facebook page under photos.
10. Students are encouraged to ‘LIKE’ their favorite chalking and Spirit Mural on the Campus Activities Board’s Facebook page.
11. The winner will have their banner displayed by the Bearcat Statue before the Homecoming Game on Saturday, Oct. 25

Super Bearcat Relay (see diagram and the end of document):

The Super Bearcat Relay will be a head to head competition for the best time to complete the relay. The top 4 teams will compete for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place.

1. Event One - Bearcat Crawl
 - a. Reminder: This event is on the turf of the football field. **If you need knee pads, bring them.**
 - b. One player will start at the back of the end zone and crawl on all fours to the next station.
 - c. Player must remain on hands and knees while crawling. Violation of this rule will incur a 10 second penalty added to final time.
2. Event Two – Dizzy Bat Race
 - a. After crawling, stand the bat upright on the ground, place your forehead on the bat, and circle the bat ten times.
 - b. The bat must stay in contact with the ground.
 - c. The official will count revolutions.
 - d. When the official says, “Ten”, you must maneuver through the cones to tag your teammate for the next section of the relay.
3. Event Three – Obstacle Course
 - a. You will use one person for this leg of the relay.
 - b. Once tagged, team member must complete the obstacle course and tag next team member.
4. Event Four – Four Legged Race:
 - a. You will use three people for this leg of the relay.
 - b. The goal is to get all the way back down to the starting area (the back of the end zone).
 - c. The center team member will have his/her left leg tied to the right leg of the second team member and his/her right leg tied to the left leg of the final team member.
 - d. Participants will tie their own legs. If a team’s legs come untied, they must stop immediately and re-tie their legs.

- e. Teams must get to the back of the end zone to tag their team member for the final leg of the relay race.
5. Event Five – Trike Ride
 - a. One team member should be waiting at the original starting line (back of the end zone).
 - b. When your teammate tags you, you will immediately do 10 dizzy bat revolutions.
 1. Place your forehead on the bat, and circle the bat ten times.
 2. The bat must stay in contact with the ground.
 3. The official will count revolutions.
 1. When the official says, “Ten”, you must run to your tricycle
 - c. Ride your tricycle to the finish line. Your team time stops once you have crossed the finish line.
 - d. Sportsmanlike conduct is required and the judges have the right to disqualify any groups for intentional contact. Judges decisions are final!
 - e. Any illegal contact with another tricycle will result in an automatic disqualification and no points will be awarded.

Tricycle Relay Race:

Race:

1. Each group will enter a 4-member team in an oversized tricycle relay race. Groups may enter an all male, all female or co-ed team.
2. Depending on the number of teams, there may be race groups of 4 teams at a time.
3. Teams will compete in a single elimination bracket for Bearcat Award Points. Win and move on, lose and go home!
4. The race will begin at the starters mark.
5. Each team member will race 1/2 lap around the track.
 - a. No member may race twice.
6. Riders must changeover in the designated “Changeover Area” that will be marked.
7. No one will be assigned lanes, which means it will be a mad dash to the finish.
8. Sportsmanlike conduct is required and the judges have the right to disqualify any groups for intentional contact. Judges decisions are final!
9. Any illegal contact with another tricycle will result in an automatic disqualification and no points will be awarded.
10. The winner will be the group to get all of their riders through the race first.

Rules:

1. Riders may not use hands or any tool to make forward motion while on the tricycle.
 - a. No rider may secure his or her feet to the pedals (i.e. tape, binding, rope, etc).
2. All wheels of the tricycle must remain in contact with the ground during the race, with the exception of the rider tipping over.
3. Riders may not impede the progress of another rider.
4. Rider must remain seated in a forward facing position on the tricycle during the race, with the exception of the rider tipping over.
5. Judges will disqualify groups for un-sportsmanlike conduct. Judges decisions are final!
6. In the case that a rider’s tricycle falls apart or breaks during the race, the rider must stop immediately and a member of the staff will replace the rider’s tricycle with another tricycle if there is one available. The rider then may finish the race from that point with the homecoming tricycle.
 - a. If the rider does not stop immediately and moves forward on the course before receiving the replacement tricycle they will be disqualified from the race.

*Riders may either “duck walk” or pedal. Hands must be on the handlebars at all times.

1. Riders will be disqualified if rear end is not on the seat.

Mechanical Bull Riding

Immediately following the Super Relay Race and Tricycle Races, the Mechanical Bull Riding competition will begin.

From each competing team, only one male-identifying student and one female-identifying student are able to participate. Riders must have one hand completely free from touching any part of the mechanical bull during all times of the competition. If the rider’s free hand does touch the bull, the time will stop.

There will be two rounds. In the first round, each participant from the same team will compete for the best time. The best time will advance to the second round. In the second round, all participants are competing for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. If a participant is not present when they are called for competition he or she will be disqualified.

The mechanical bull attendant and a Campus Activities Board staff member will have final determination over time of ride.

Homecoming Week Kickoff Cookout (Quad - Tuesday, October 21; 4pm)

1. Come to the Quad to enjoy some food and games! CAB will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs in the Quad. Regular dinner will be served in Ames Dining Hall.
2. Bring some friends to play volleyball in the Quad or bags and washer games.

Where’s Bogey? Event (Tuesday, October 21, Thursday, October 23, Friday, October 24)

1. A clue leading you to find either a picture of Bogey or a stuffed Bogey doll on campus will be sent to the team captain's McKendree email account at 2pm. If your captain is unavailable, please submit a different name and email address to: cabtraditions@mckendree.edu.
2. If you find a stuffed Bogey doll or picture, be the first to bring the item back to the CAB Office in the Lair to claim your Bearcat Award Points for your team.

Bearcat Amazing Race Challenge (Tuesday, October 21 at 7pm)

This competition is based on the reality TV game show in which teams race around the world in competition with other teams. Our teams will race around campus and the local area. Participants in the Bearcat Amazing Race Challenge are in teams of four and will perform challenges given at each leg of the race. The team that completes all of the challenges and arrives first at The Lair is awarded first place points.

1. Teams should consist of 2 males and 2 females.
2. Teams are encouraged to dress to the Homecoming Theme: **Totally Awesome! McKendree Rocks the 80's!**
3. BEFORE the race, each team should make a team flag (8.5"x11"). The flag can be paper or cloth. Laminated paper is preferred. It should be yellow and have the team name on it.
4. Teams should check in at The Lair no later than 6:45pm. The race will start promptly at 7:00pm.
5. Please make sure to wear appropriate clothing and shoes for the race, and don't forget to plan for weather.
6. A car and a cell phone will also be needed for the race.
7. **NOTE:** Students missing class for the race are responsible for notifying their professors prior to the event. CAB cannot excuse you from class for the event.

McKendree's Got Talent – Spirit and Variety Show (Wednesday, October 22 at 8:30pm)

Bearcat Award Point Competitors – Fight Song Competition

1. Acts should be at The Hett no later than 7:45pm
2. The McKendree fight song, "Our McKendree" must be used in its entirety.
3. One song based around the Homecoming Theme and the McKendree fight song must be used, so yes – it's a mix, the 80's and Our McKendree!

Each routine will be judged on the following:

- a. Enthusiasm: excitement level of the team as a whole
- b. Creativity & Uniqueness: originality of the song and costumes
- c. Clarity & Expression: the song is clearly understood
- d. Homecoming Theme: develops a song around **Totally Awesome! McKendree Rocks the 80's!**
- e. Fight Song: song must be used in entirety

Other Types of Performances Allowed (Non-Bearcat Award Participants):

Live Music Performance

- Solo or group
- In the above category, the majority of performance is live, no pre-recorded music will be allowed, except in the form of an instrumental accompaniment.

Novelty/Skit

- Comedy, Magic, Drama, etc.
- No vocal/instrumental (live) music performances will be allowed in this category except for background music or as necessary to the plot of the skit.

Dance/Lip Sync

- Solo or Group
- No live narration
- Emphasis on performing to recorded music

Each organization is limited to ONE act. *The Campus Activities Office reserves the right to classify each act as it sees fit.*

The time limit for each act will be **2 to 4** minutes. *Acts are limited to a max of 10 performers and one stage manager (to coordinate the performance). Prop limitations will be discussed at the auditions.* The entries will be judged by a panel, possibly consisting of faculty, staff, alums, and students. Judging is based on the following:

Category	Adherence to Theme	Talent/Performance	Originality	Costume/Props	Audience Response	Total
Points	30	25	20	15	10	100

All entries will be required complete the entry form and **audition** for the show. *Auditions will take place in TBA on October 5.* Acts must be **performance ready** (props and costumes not required and will perform their complete act **only once at auditions**). All technical needs (lighting, sound, smoke machines) and a rough idea of the stage layout will be noted at this time. The dress rehearsal will be videotaped.

The Variety Show is limited to 25 acts. Groups will be dropped from the line-up for inappropriate acts, a lack of planning, or overall level of quality.

Groups providing recorded music/accompaniment of any kind **must** submit one CD copy **on the day after the audition**. NO STOP/START OF SUPPLIED MUSIC WILL BE ALLOWED.

Mandatory Audition

- Failure to perform will result in disqualification.
- Groups altering acts will result in disqualification & will be escorted out.
- Costumes are subject to approval

Guidelines

- All props must be removed immediately after performance. NO HELIUM BALLOONS ALLOWED, OR THROWING PROPS INTO THE AUDIENCE (disqualification)
- Any act promoting irresponsible use of alcohol, using profanity, or implying sexual or racial discrimination will be automatically disqualified.
- **Public drunkenness may result in point deductions, group disqualification, and discipline as set forth by the Policies and Regulations Document in the Student Handbook.**
- Decisions by the judges are **FINAL**.

Questions concerning the Variety Show should be directed to the Office of Campus Activities, 618-537-6856 or cabtraditions@mckendree.edu.

Trivia Night (rules subject to change):

1. Should we have a large number of teams, event may be moved.
2. Teams will consist of 6 people.
3. All teams and team members participating must be present and signed in when the event begins.
4. The contest will consist of 6 rounds, each having questions and a bonus question at the end of each round. At the end, teams may wager up to 100% of their points on a Final Question.
5. Each question must be answered on the provided answer sheet corresponding to that particular round.
 - a. Answer sheets must be submitted to the event officials' table within the allotted time-period.
6. No reference materials will be allowed. No phone calls or other electronic devices (cell phones, laptops, etc) will be permitted during the contest. **Any team found using a device during the contest will be disqualified.**
7. All teams will compete at the same time. Teams shouting out answers or receiving help from anyone outside of their team may be disqualified.
8. Team standings will be announced between rounds.
9. All answers must be as specific as possible.
10. All rules are subject to interpretation by the event officials. All scoring questions are to be brought to the scoring table. All decisions made by the judges are final.

Food Fight

Work with your student organization or residence hall team to collect as many non-perishable food items as you can. On Friday, Oct. 24, bring all food items to The Lair. Teams will be awarded points based on the number of items collected. Help support those in need!

Guidelines:

1. The Campus Activities Board (CAB) and the Lyn Huxford Center for Community Service are collaborating to collect non-perishable food items for the Bearcat Food Drive. All food will be donated to the Lebanon Food Pantry.
2. Each team will need to collect as many non-perishable food items as they can by Friday, October 24. Teams will be responsible for collecting and storing their food items throughout the week, as well as transporting the items to the Lair on Friday.
3. On **Friday, October 24 from 11am-1 pm**, each team will need to bring all of their collected food items to The Lair. One point will be awarded for every five items. All food items will then be donated to the Lebanon Food Pantry.
4. The team with the highest overall score will receive first place.

Faculty/Staff Decorate Your Office Contest

Rules:

1. Open to McKendree faculty and staff.
2. Show your McKendree spirit!
3. Include the Homecoming Theme: **"Totally Awesome! McKendree Rocks the 80's"** in your decorations, or with the members of your office.
4. The competition begins on Monday, October 20. Get your office ready and promote Homecoming Week!
5. Judging will take place on Friday, October 24, between 12pm and 3pm. A representative of the office must be present in order to be judged.

6. Judging will be based on creativity and how well the department portrays their office and the Homecoming Theme.

Judging and Prizes:

1. Winners will be awarded in each of the following categories:
 - a. Most Original/creative
 - b. Best display of McKendree pride
 - c. Best Effort
 - d. Best Overall
2. Prizes include gift certificates to the McKendree Bookstore.
3. The Best Overall winner will receive a bragging rights trophy and a treat from Campus Dining.
4. The winning office will be announced during halftime of the football game, so bring your staff to the game and cheer on the Bearcats.

