Evening of the Stars
Celebrating Student Leaders with Alumni & Friends

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AWARDS RECEPTION
PROGRAM

DINNER

OPENING REMARKS
Dr. Soncia Reagins-Lilly
Senior Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
and Dean of Students

PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS AND INDIVIDUAL AWARDS
Maralyn Heimlich Scholarship
Tejas Scholarship
Dean’s Dozen Award
Glenn Maloney Memorial Scholarship
Sean N. Bourgeois Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Theodore Henry Strauss Student Award for Exemplary University Service
Sorority and Fraternity Life Hyperion Award
Sorority and Fraternity Life Individual Awards

ALUMNI REMARKS
Bill McDonald
Family Leadership Council Chair

DESSERT
Performance by Fuse A Cappella
Fuse A Cappella is a local co-ed a cappella group founded in 2014 at the University of Texas at Austin. Fuse A Cappella strives to unite students across all majors, hometowns, and backgrounds, by their love of singing.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS
Sorority and Fraternity Life Chapter and Council Awards
Pillars of the Forty Acres
Swing Out Awards

CLOSING REMARKS
MARALYN HEIMLICH SCHOLARSHIP
Maralyn Heimlich touched the lives of thousands of students through her work as Assistant Dean of New Student Services until her untimely passing in 1996. This scholarship is given in memory of Maralyn Heimlich and recognizes orientation advisors who best exemplify Maralyn’s dedication and service to the orientation program, her generosity of spirit, and her passion for student life.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Bianca Cruz, Emily Ibarra, Ralph Lee, Valerie Oliobi, Alex Satterfield, Georgina Searcy

TEJAS SCHOLARSHIP
Through the Tejas Club, members live a more complete life by sharing their personalities, abilities, and commitment to good fellowship and a high standard of conduct in order to encourage loyalty and usefulness to our school and further good scholarship. This scholarship recognizes members whose service to UT Austin, the Tejas Club and the Austin community best demonstrates the application of these ideals.

2019 RECIPIENTS

DEAN’S DOZEN AWARD
The Dean’s Dozen Award recognizes students who are altruistic, responsible, committed and involved in transforming the lives of their fellow students. It is in the spirit of UT that these students reach out to others in a time of need, exhibit model citizenship, foster fellowship among our community, embrace diversity and promote a fair and equitable campus. Finally, these students utilize strength, initiative and ambition to persevere, to overcome obstacles, and to seek and enable personal growth.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Mariano Bracamontes Akle, Tara Chapman, Clare Crotty, Dorie Kaye, Tori Martinez, Connor McQuage, Adriana Medina, Kiara Myers, Chelsea Perry, Mehraz Rahman, Benjamin Solder, Shania Williams

GLENN MALONEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship is given in memory of Glenn W. Maloney. Glenn served The University of Texas at Austin for 19 years, the last seven as Associate Dean of Students. The Glenn Maloney Memorial Scholarship was established to remember Glenn’s countless contributions to UT Austin and to recognize the students he loved. Through this scholarship, Glenn’s enduring legacy is to continue helping the students whose lives he enriched.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Zaria El-Fil, Mehraz Rahman, Eleanor Shaul
SEAN N. BOURGEOIS MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Established in honor of former Longhorn Hellraiser and engineering student, Sean N. Bourgeois, the Sean N. Bourgeois Memorial Endowed Scholarship recognizes a deserving student at The University of Texas at Austin who exemplifies qualities exuded by Sean: university spirit and campus involvement.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Anthony Edgington, Gabrielle Montemayor

THEODORE HENRY STRAUSS STUDENT AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY UNIVERSITY SERVICE
The Strauss Student Award recognizes members of the Friar Society who have made significant contributions to the university through campus-wide activities.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Andrew Mitchell Bramlett, Samantha Fuchs, Jaqueline Gibson, Maya Patel, Steven David Santoyo

SORORITY AND FRATERNITY LIFE HYPERION AWARD
The Hyperion Award, meaning “Titan of Light,” is awarded by the Sorority and Fraternity Life staff and recognizes individuals and their commitment to serving and improving the sorority and fraternity community.

2019 RECIPIENTS
Ashley Cruz, Sigma Delta Lambda Sorority, Inc.
Brycen Buckingham, Lambda Chi Alpha
Evana Flores, Kappa Delta
Elizabeth Gallatin, Kappa Alpha Theta
Alessandria Garza, Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
Rwendy Luna, Delta Upsilon
Aimee Morales, Sorority and Fraternity Life Intern
Denise Morales, Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
Jacob Rey, Phi Kappa Sigma
Catherine Vu, Sigma Phi Omega Sorority, Inc.
Shania Williams, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

SORORITY AND FRATERNITY LIFE INDIVIDUAL AWARDS
Outstanding Service and Philanthropy Award
The Outstanding Service and Philanthropy Award seeks to recognize individuals who are committed to engaging in hands-on service and philanthropy to create tangible support and awareness towards a specific cause.

MiMi Ha, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Scholastic Excellence Award
The Scholastic Excellence Award recognizes individuals who have achieved excellence in both their academic and scholastic pursuits.

Jasmine Liu-Zarzuela, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Kevin Brill, Delta Upsilon
Outstanding Leadership Award
The Outstanding Leadership Award seeks to recognize an individual who exemplifies leadership within their organization and within the UT Austin community. This leader should demonstrate exceptional leadership, the ability to motivate, problem solve, communicate, and create support for others.

Molly Neale, Alpha Delta Pi
Ahmed Semary, Delta Upsilon

Outstanding New Member Award
The Outstanding New Member Award seeks to recognize a fraternity and sorority member in their first year of membership who has shown great potential for future leadership through their contributions to their chapter, sorority and fraternity community, and the university.

Natalia Chapa Mills, Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
Victoria Klebahn, Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Ernesto Jimenez, Sigma Lambda Beta International Fraternity, Inc.

Outstanding Sorority Volunteer Award
The Outstanding Volunteer Award seeks to recognize an advisor or volunteer that has served as a role model for the organization. This volunteer should display hard work and dedication towards helping improve the chapter and its members, as well as the greater Sorority and Fraternity Community.

Dayna Bogler, Alpha Delta Pi

Living Your Values Award
As members of values based organizations, the Living Your Values Award seeks to recognize a sorority or fraternity member who exhibits and upholds their organizational values, purpose, ritual, and mission. These members seek to align their actions with the values of the organization. A qualified applicant is likely a member that challenges other chapter and community members.

Jasmine Liu-Zaruela, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Member of the Year Award
The Member of the Year Award seeks to highlight the outstanding contributions of a fraternity or sorority member in the University of Texas at Austin Community. This student exemplifies the mission, values, and purpose of their own organization and have made a significant impact in the sorority and fraternity community overall.

Frances Trejo, Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.

Outstanding Chapter President Award
The Outstanding Chapter President Award is awarded to chapter presidents who served their chapter during 2018 and demonstrated strong chapter leadership, the ability to motivate others, strong character, and high ideals. This person should serve as a role model to others and has made their chapter stronger during their time in office.

Ashley Garza, Sigma Delta Lambda Sorority, Inc.
William Jenkins, Sigma Phi Epsilon
Jake Price, Delta Kappa Epsilon
SORORITY AND FRATERNITY LIFE CHAPTER AND COUNCIL AWARDS

Outstanding Community Building Award
The Outstanding Community Building Award is awarded to a council that successfully creates a strong sense of fellowship among its members. Councils receiving this award should have demonstrated that sorority and fraternity membership involves going beyond your chapter and collaborating with organizations within the greater UT Austin Sorority and Fraternity Community.

Latino Pan-Hellenic Council

Commitment to Cultural Consciousness Award
The Commitment to Cultural Consciousness Award is presented to a council who actively promotes, sponsors and/or participates in programming and activities related to diversity, multiculturalism, and/or social justice. Diversity at The University of Texas at Austin encompasses an inclusive and welcoming environment that is enhanced by persons who differ in gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, age, socio-economic background, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and religious belief.

Latino Pan-Hellenic Council

Outstanding Service and Philanthropy Award
The Outstanding Service and Philanthropy Award recognizes a chapter that successfully engages their community to participate in hands-on service or in philanthropic efforts to support their chosen non-profit organization. This award is given to the chapter that has demonstrated excellence in providing service opportunities or demonstrated a commitment to philanthropic causes while encouraging their member organizations to make a difference.

Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
Kappa Delta Chi Sorority, Inc.
Sigma Phi Epsilon

Scholastic Excellence Award
The Scholastic Excellence Award recognizes chapters that exhibit high academic achievement while also being focused on developing programs to promote scholarship for their members.

Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Leadership Development Award
The Outstanding Leadership Development Award is awarded to chapters that encourage leadership development and promotes leadership opportunities for its members, both within formal leadership positions and through the experience of membership.

Pi Lambda Chi Latina Sorority, Inc.
Phi Delta Theta
Alpha Xi Delta

Outstanding New Member Program Award
The Outstanding New Member Program Award seeks to recognize a chapter that provides outstanding education to their new members and prepares them for membership and future success. The award recognizes programs that educate their new members on the values of the organization, creates relationships within the chapter and the community, teaches safe and responsible practices, encourages leadership, and ensures an understanding of chapter operations.

alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Risk Management and Wellness Award
The Risk Management and Wellness Award is presented to a chapter that has established an effective program or implemented new initiatives that educates members on how to mitigate risks, develops a culture of responsible decision making, and promotes member wellness within their council. Wellness is defined here as the attention to mental, physical and emotional health.
  Zeta Tau Alpha

Outstanding Public Relations Award
The Outstanding Public Relations Award is presented to a chapter who successfully and creatively uses public relations to effectively promote and share their goals and achievements, while engaging with various stakeholders including chapter members, the greater sorority and fraternity community, parents, alumni, the UT Austin community, and the greater Austin community.
  Sigma Lambda Gamma National Sorority, Inc.
  Zeta Tau Alpha

Excellence in Sustainability Award
The Excellence in Sustainability Award is presented to a chapter that successfully engages their members in sustainable acts related to recycling & composting. This award is given to the chapter that has demonstrated excellence in their community engagement with sustainability, commitment to a sustainable lifestyle, and a consistent drive to continuing sustainable habits by their organization and their members.
  Pi Beta Phi

Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award
The Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award seeks to highlight the outstanding contributions of a sorority or fraternity chapter in The University of Texas at Austin Sorority and Fraternity Community. This chapter exemplify the mission, values and purpose of their own organization and have made a significant impact in the sorority and fraternity community overall.
  Alpha Xi Delta

PILLARS OF THE FORTY ACRES
The Pillars of the Forty Acres was created to highlight the missions and activities of student organizations that exemplify the Core Values of The University of Texas at Austin. Student organizations demonstrate the importance of co-curricular involvement and provide opportunities for students to learn beyond the classroom. Student organizations host guest speakers, devote time to community service and create programs that bring cultures from around the world to the Forty Acres. Through the Pillars of the Forty Acres, the Office of the Dean of Students recognizes student organizations whose activities embody the Core Values of Learning, Discovery, Freedom, Leadership, Individual Opportunity and Responsibility. There are two levels of recognition status: Distinguished and Exemplary. To achieve Distinguished Status, an organization must complete eight points in one Core Value category. To achieve Exemplary Status, an organization must achieve Distinguished Status in five of the six Core Value categories.

2019 Pillars of the Forty Acres Distinguished Status Recipients

Learning
  Alpha Epsilon Delta | Camp Kesem at the University of Texas at Austin | Terry Scholar Student Association | Texas Bluebonnets | Texas Royals | Texas Wranglers | The Project
SWING OUT AWARDS

The Swing Out tradition began in 1922 as a ceremony to honor outstanding women students on campus and to pass on UT Austin traditions from one generation to the next. Cap and Gown, a senior women’s organization, originally sponsored the Swing Out Awards, which became an annual tradition as part of the University Senior Week. The ceremony was extended to honor men’s and coed organizations in 1955. Swing Out remained a campus tradition for recognizing student leaders and a symbolic gesture of transferring leadership from one class to the next until 1963.

In 1991, the University of Texas Leadership Board (UTLB), a student organization sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students, revitalized the tradition, broadening the scope of the Swing Out Awards to include all student organizations on campus.

Today, Student Activities continues to support the tradition of the Swing Out Awards to honor outstanding student organizations and the students who drive them, for their commitment, leadership, and excellence at The University of Texas at Austin.
2019 SWING OUT AWARDS FINALISTS

Primary Categories

Best Academic/Departmental Organization
This award is for an organization founded within an academic or departmental community. It is given to an organization that goes above and beyond to contribute to their academic community and overcome challenges inherent in an academic setting. This organization utilizes their resources to promote educational success.

Student Engineering Council
Texas Transfer Students

Best Cultural Organization
This award is for an organization founded within a cultural community. It is given to an organization that works to promote awareness and education about the culture(s) it represents to the UT Austin community. This organization advocates for cultural appreciation among all people and enriches the cultural experiences of its audience.

Afrikan-American Affairs
Hindu Students Association

Best Political/Activist Organization
This award is for an organization founded within a political or activist community. It is given to an organization that educates others about the issues(s) that it stands for and advocates tirelessly for its cause(s). This organization effectively organizes and engages the UT Austin community in their cause(s).

Doctors Without Borders

Best Professional Organization
This award is for an organization that focuses on professional vocation. It is given to an organization that encourages networking with professionals in the members’ field and offers opportunities that will contribute to the members’ success after graduation. This organization teaches members useful skills that will translate well into a professional career.

Asian Business Students Association
Alpha Epsilon Delta
Hispanic Business Student Association

Best Recreational Organization
This award is given to an organization that promotes and provides recreational outlets for members. This organization offers the UT Austin community a unique and impactful experience through recreation.

Camp Kesem at the University of Texas at Austin
SCORE Athletics

Best Service Organization
This award is for an organization dedicated to service. It is given to an organization that positively impacts its members, the UT Austin community, and the greater Austin community through programs and service opportunities. This organization coordinates projects that have a significant impact on both the communities it serves and its members.

Afrikan-American Affairs
Student Engineering Council
Texas Wranglers
Best Social Organization
This award is given to an organization that promotes both camaraderie among members as well as social unity on the UT Austin campus. This organization provides social opportunities that foster community and contribute to the development of leadership within members.

Camp Kesem at the University of Texas at Austin
Student Engineering Council
Texas Transfer Students
Texas Sweethearts

Best Spirit Organization
This award is given to an organization that brings spirit to the UT Austin campus on a regular basis and strives to improve areas where UT Austin spirit is lacking. This organization brings out and enhances the school spirit in UT students.

Texas Lonestars
Texas Spirits

Special Categories

Best New Organization
This award is given to an organization that has brought a new and important community to the University of Texas at Austin that did not exist before. The organization must have been founded within the past two years. This organization has overcome obstacles in early stages of development and has a strong plan to ensure their organization is sustainable and continues to grow on campus.

Doctors Without Border
Socks for the Sole

Most Improved Organization
This award is for an organization that has shown tremendous improvement in the past year. It is given to an organization that recognized the areas where improvement was most needed and worked to make changes to better fulfill its goals.

Camp Kesem at the University of Texas at Austin
Texas Bluebonnets
Texas Wranglers

Healthiest Organization
This award is for an organization that creates a social environment that helps members be active and healthy. This organization is a leader in providing enjoyable programming that establishes healthy activities as a core part of having an outstanding Longhorn experience.

Hindu Students Association
Texas Lonestars
Texas Transfer Students

Outstanding Advisor
This award is for an organization advisor who has gone above and beyond the call of their duties with the organization. It is given to an advisor who exhibits outstanding qualities and provides vital services for the organization. This advisor exceeds expectations on all fronts and is nominated by the organization with which they work.

Brent Iverson, Camp Kesem at the University of Texas at Austin
Amory Krueger, The Project
Jeff Mayo, Texas Transfer Students
Most Outstanding Student Organization
This award is given to one of the nine winners of the primary category awards. This award goes to an organization who has positively impacted the UT campus and has a strong connection to the university core values. This organization shines as an exemplary group of students who strive to be the best they can be and give back to the UT community in their own way.
OF SPECIAL NOTE

The Evening of the Stars Awards Celebration…

is an annual event envisioned by the Dean of Students and two student leaders. It is held to highlight and honor student leadership and the 1,200 student organizations represented on The University of Texas at Austin campus.

Each year, recipients of various awards and scholarships coordinated by the Office of the Dean of Students are announced and celebrated at the Evening of the Stars event for the achievements and contributions they have made to UT Austin and the Austin community. Student organizations and student leaders are an integral component of the fabric of the university and support the institution’s mission.

Student organizations at UT Austin and the students involved in these organizations enrich the lives of others by fostering a sense of community, a volunteer spirit and an activist approach.