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### **- President James Doti Will Run, and Invites All Participants to His Oatmeal “Breakfast of Champions” After the Race**

**ORANGE, Calif.** – Chapman University will host its inaugural 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, October 28 to kick off a full day of the university’s Homecoming festivities. Race registration is FREE and open to the public -- space is limited, however, to the first 250 who register, and advance registration is required. Runners and walkers are welcome. Check-in begins at 6 a.m., with the race start at 7 a.m. Participants can sign up at [www.chapman.edu/5K](http://www.chapman.edu/5K).

All participants will receive an Inaugural Chapman 5K T-shirt at registration, and the first 150 finishers will also receive a one-of-a-kind Inaugural Chapman 5K medal.

After the race, Chapman President James L. Doti – who will lead the pack of runners at the start – invites all participants to join him for his famous “breakfast of champions”: steaming bowls of steel-cut oatmeal, with bananas, bottled water and juice, which will be served up to everyone at the finish line.

The run/walk’s route will take participants on a scenic jaunt past many Chapman University landmarks. The route begins at the university’s Schmid Gate (at Glassell and University Drive) and heads out for a loop around the just-opened Marion Knott Studios, new home of Chapman’s Dodge College of Film and Media Arts. Then it’s back to the central campus, with a dash through the sculpture garden and views of Liberty Plaza and Chapman’s own piece of the Berlin Wall. Finally, it’s off to the brand-new Holly and David Wilson Field, home of Chapman’s football team, the Panthers, for a circuit around the track, before heading to the finish line back at Schmid Gate (and that tempting oatmeal!).

The Chapman 5K Run/Walk is just the first event in a jam-packed Chapman Homecoming Day on Oct. 28 that includes tours of Marion Knott Studios, the Leatherby Libraries and the campus, lectures, performances, art exhibitions, a pre-game pep rally and the Chapman vs. Pomona-Pitzer football game, featuring the official dedication of Wilson Field and a fireworks show at halftime. Many events are open to the public. For a complete Chapman Homecoming schedule, go to [www.chapman.edu/weekend](http://www.chapman.edu/weekend).