

## **Graduate Reunion Party draws more than 150 alumni**

April 30, 2013

More than 150 alumni and guests from the classes of 1968 through 2008 gathered in City Park Friday night (April 26) for the Freeman School's third annual Graduate Alumni Reunion Party.

The event, which took place in Parkview Terrace (second floor of the old City Park Casino building), is a chance for the Freeman School to recognize alumni of graduate programs (MBA, MFIN and MACCT) celebrating milestone graduation anniversaries. This year's party honored graduates from the years '08, '03, '98, '93, '88, '83, '78, '73, '68 and '63.

The reunion is also a chance for friends and former classmates to catch up with each other and to catch up with the Freeman School. Dean Ira Solomon attended the reunion along with a number of faculty and staff members, and he gave attendees a brief update on the state of the school. Lauren Nelson (MBA '13), a member of the Graduate Business Council and president of Tulane's chapter of MBA Women International, also spoke to alumni, offering guests a few comments about life at Freeman from a student's perspective.

The party also included the presentation of a check to Freeman on behalf of the reunion classes. Members of this year's reunion classes together pledged more than \$300,000 to the Freeman School to provide support for a wide range of operating expenses. Reunion fundraising efforts are continuing through June 30, 2013, so if you haven't yet made a gift, you can visit [the Freeman School's online giving page](#) to make your pledge.

To see all the photos from this year's Graduate Alumni Reunion, visit [the Freeman School's Flickr page](#).



Left to right, class of '03 alumni Ana Derbez, Jose Mascarell, Tsetsa Dankova and Victor Luque.



Left to right, Kell Riess, Alvin Jones (MBA '68) and Harry Smith (MBA '68).



Left to right, Justin Collins (MBA '08), Lorena Rojas (MBA '08), Philip Allison (MBA '08), Ryan Usner (MBA '08) and Oscar Parada.



Members of the MBA class of 2003, which had the biggest turnout of all the classes honored at this year's party.



This year's reunion class chairs presented Dean Ira Solomon with a check for more than \$300,000, representing the collective gifts of the reunion classes. From left to right, Chuck Atwood (MBA '73), Dean Solomon, Alex Hernandez (MBA '03), David Heikkinen (MBA '98), Alvin Jones (MBA '68), John Silbernagel (MBA '88) and Bob Kottler (MBA '83).