Alumni & Friends of the Reynolds School of Journalism
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Join the J-School alumni chapter! If you’re an alumnus of the Reynolds School of Journalism, we’d love to hear from you. The college just received a $7.9 million dollar gift to renovate the building and upgrade the technology. It’s the biggest gift in the history of the journalism school! Now is the perfect time to get involved. The chapter meets once a month. For more information, please contact Kelly Frank.

Alumni Band
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Homecoming 2010 will mark the 30th anniversary of the reincarnation of the Wolf Pack Marching Band. We are hoping to get the majority of the members of the 1980 band back to join us, as well as band members from all other years. If you have been saying “maybe next year,” this is the year. We are working on ways to include those of you who no longer feel comfortable playing (if you have any ideas, please send them along). No fringe. No cowboy hats. And you can leave your sunglasses on!

If you would like to help plan Alumni Band 2010, there is always plenty to do—from shirts and seats to pizza, parades and parties. To volunteer, update your (or someone else’s) contact information, receive the monthly e-newsletter or submit an update for the newsletter, please contact Kiara Wolf.

Asian American Pacific Islander Alumni Chapter
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The Asian American Pacific Islander Alumni Chapter of the University of Nevada, Reno is dedicated to Asian American and Pacific Islander awareness in our community. We are dedicated to building lasting relationships through shared experiences, while furthering Asian American and Pacific Islander culture. The AAPI Alumni Chapter incorporates the values of the University of Nevada, Reno, while promoting well-being, advocacy, opportunities and growth through volunteering, communication and outreach in the Asian American and Pacific Islander Community.

This spring the AAPI Alumni Chapter will host the first annual Asian Pacific Islander Spring Convocation on May 14. Please save the date and more information is to come!

If you are interested in joining the AAPI Alumni Chapter or would like to learn more, please visit www.unr.edu/alumni or contact us at unr_aapi@yahoo.com. You can also check us out on Facebook and MySpace!

Fallon Alumni Chapter
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The Fallon Alumni Chapter meets on the first Wednesday of each month at noon at Pizza Barn in Fallon. Chapter president Roger Diedrichsen ’71, who is also a member of the Nevada Alumni Council, leads the discussion on current and pending activities to raise scholarship money for Churchill County high school students who plan to attend the University of Nevada, Reno. We are working with the University’s Office for Prospective Students to host a recruiting trip to the University for local students in the spring.

On Oct. 3, we traveled to Reno for the Nevada vs. UNLV football game. On Jan. 16, we headed in once again for the Nevada vs. Idaho basketball game. Besides being a fun social event, we raised over $1,500 toward scholarships!

Yearly activities include a softball rooter bus, Brews and Brats Dinner, Western BBQ scholarship fundraiser and a Reno Aces game. For additional information regarding upcoming events, visit www.unr.edu/alumni.

College of Business Alumni Association
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The College of Business Alumni Association is pleased to announce the date for our 19th Annual Golf Tournament—May 13 at Lakeside Golf Course. Last year’s tournament was a great success. We look forward to filling up our tournament again this year, but don’t hesitate, this tourney fills up fast! For signups and sponsorship opportunities, please call or email Jane Bessette, faculty adviser at (775) 682-9144 or bessette@unr.edu.

We are also excited to announce the addition of two new board members, Jeff Peterson, ’07MBA and Anthony Puckett ’08 (finance). We look forward to their contributions and are happy to have them on our board. For more information on our board or COBAA happenings, catch us on Facebook and LinkedIn.

Chapter Updates

TOP: Future Alumni Band members Brandon and Cameron Miller receive music education from their mom, former flag twirler Dawn (Etcheverry) Miller ‘94. LEFT: Members of Alumni Band cheer on the Pack during the 2009 Homecoming football game.
Native American Alumni Chapter
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Approximately twenty Native American Alumni Chapter (NAAC) members attended the chapter’s first annual Christmas Party on December 19. On February 13, the chapter hosted a Valentine’s Day social at Pietro’s Famiglia Ristorante Italiano in Sparks. During both events, alumni enjoyed good food and company.

Our membership has dramatically increased. Thank you to those of you who renewed and to those who are new members to the chapter. Because of your membership dues, we are able to offer two $500 scholarships this year to American Indian students attending the University of Nevada.

The annual UNR Spring Powwow is fast approaching and will be held May 1-2 at the Manzanita Bowl. Donations and volunteers are always welcomed.

Get involved! The chapter meets monthly at various locations. If you are interested in joining, please contact Kari Emm at (775) 784-4936 or kemm@unr.edu or Sherry Rupert at (775) 687-8333 or srupert@nic.nv.gov.

Nevada Football Alumni Chapter
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The Alumni Football Chapter will be hosting our 27th Annual Alumni Football Golf Tournament on Friday, June 4 at 1 pm at Lakeridge Golf Course. Alumni interested in playing in the tournament should contact Tom Matter by email at tmatter3@gmail.com. Football alumni interested in renewing membership should visit our new website at nevadaalumnifootball.com or contact Jim Farley at farley47@verizon.net. The Alumni Football Chapter would also like to announce new officers: Matt Clafton ’93, Past President; Jim Farley ’99, President; Tom Matter ’94, ’01, Vice President; Matt Airoldi ’94, Treasurer; and Bob Blair, Secretary ’94.

Northeastern Nevada Alumni Chapter
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On January 30, over 40 Nevada alumni volunteered at the 26th Annual Cowboy Gathering in Elko, serving sarsaparilla and chorizo to hundreds of lovers, fighters and bucking horse riders at the Western Folklife Center. Throughout the day and well into the evening, volunteers poured libations for alumni and supporters who traveled from all over the region to attend the annual event and listen to cowboy poetry. Dressed in silver and blue, our alumni volunteers helped support the biggest tourist event in Elko, while spreading the word about our chapter.

Sacramento Alumni Chapter
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The Sacramento Alumni Chapter hosted its annual mystery bus trip in January! The final destination was Friar Tuck’s restaurant in Grass Valley, with a stop along the way at the Horseshoe Bar Grill (which is owned by our alumnus Eppie G. Johnson!). With great attendance, we were able to raise $1,600 that will be placed directly into the Eppie G. Johnson Scholarship Endowment to benefit future University of Nevada students who recently graduated high school in the greater Sacramento area.

We are looking for alumni who live in the greater Sacramento.
Please visit us at www.NevadaAlumniSacramento.org or on Facebook (search “University of Nevada—Reno Sacramento Alumni Chapter”). We currently meet on the second Tuesday of each month at noon. For location and information, contact chapter president Steve Park ’99 at (916) 367-6345 or spark@ccarey.com.

**UNSONM Alumni Chapter**

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Our chapter is rapidly growing and as a result we have been able to support the school and its students in a number of exciting ways. We recently made a $25,000 contribution to support the new William N. Pennington Health Science Building. The chapter will also provide financial support to a group of UNSOM students traveling to Nicaragua this May to provide international medical relief. We continue to support the publishing of Synapse, our alumni magazine, and our student scholarship award. Become a member today and assist us in supporting the medical school!

Please Save the Date for the 2nd annual UNSOM Alumni Association reception on Friday, May 14 at UNSOM’s Reno campus. To nominate a fellow classmate as an Outstanding Alumnus, become a member, volunteer for an officer position or receive more information, please visit www.medicine.nevada.edu/alumni/alumniassoc.asp or contact Christina Sarman, (775) 784-6009 or christinas@unr.edu.

**USAC Alumni Chapter**

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In February, the USAC Alumni Chapter hosted a number of study abroad events on campus. The Passport Fair was held in USAC’s main office, located in the Virginia Street Gym. With a post office representative on site, USAC alumni were able to help over 50 people, including students, faculty, staff and those within our community to apply for and renew passports, as well as answer any passport-related questions. Our USAC Festival, held at the Knowledge Center, included alumni from over 15 different countries. Working together, we provided interested students with information and past experiences from our programs. A few more USAC alumni even stopped by and joined our chapter. In March, alumni gathered together to share stories with students preparing to study abroad this summer or next semester. We hope our alumni were able to help prepare other Nevada students for their upcoming adventures abroad.

**Young Alumni Chapter**

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The Young Alumni Chapter capped off 2009 with their annual Mystery Bus trip to Tahoe City, which included a lovely meal next to the fireplace at the River Grill. We began 2010 with a warm up party at the Sierra Tap House before attending the Nevada Alumni Association’s Alumni Ice Skating Night at the Rink by the River. Mark your calendars for Beerfest 2010 on April 23 at the Grand Sierra Resort! Check NevadaYAC.com for more updates and membership information.