Alumni College
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Save the date for Alumni College XXI July 13-15. We invite all alumni to attend this three-day educational adventure where we explore University of Nevada and DRI initiatives as well as current events. Additional information to come later this spring!

Alumni & Friends of the Reynolds School
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At a Homecoming lunch held on October 23, the Reynolds School’s new First Amendment Banner (a gift from the Dean’s Council) was unveiled and the school’s three alumni who received awards the evening before spoke. Special recognition goes out to the School’s five alumni who received the Reno Gazette-Journal’s 20 under 40 awards: Gary Aldax ’92, Alexia Bratiotis ’01, Julie Rowe ’94, David Taylor ’99 and Scott Walquist ’02.

If you’re interested in attending a future meeting, a Reynolds School t-shirt for $10 or a combined deal of a chapter membership and the t-shirt for $25, please contact Kristin Burgarello.

COBAA
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The College of Business Alumni Association celebrated Homecoming 2009 by recognizing five award recipients at the Nevada Alumni Association’s Homecoming Gala on Oct. 22. College of Business award recipients included: Clyde Turner ’50 (Distinguished Alumnus), Regent Mark Alden ’71 (University Service), John Larsen ’72 (Professional Achievement), Eren Akmen Ozmen ’85 (Professional Achievement) and Melissa Malyneaux ’06 (Outstanding Young Alumna). Congratulations to our alumni!

On Nov. 8, COBAA co-sponsored Wingology, along with the Young Alumni Chapter, at Scruples Bar & Grill. It was a great event and many fun times were had. Thank you to all who attended.

Keep an eye out for the annual COBAA golf tournament in May. Last year’s tournament was a lot of fun and a huge success. Please contact Kelly Newcomb at Knewcomb@accountantsintl.com if you would like to receive more information on playing in or sponsoring next year’s tournament. Go Pack!

Fallon Alumni Chapter
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In July 2009, we lost one of the charter members of the Fallon Alumni Chapter, Elmo Denrico ’48, ’64M.Ed. He and his wife, Donna, were instrumental in the ongoing success of the Fallon group. He is greatly missed. An awesome group of folks will carry on the traditions of Fallon alumni and friends in his memory.

Each year we focus on fundraising University of Nevada, Reno scholarships for Churchill County High School graduates. In memory of Elmo, the scholarship will now be called the “Elmo and Donna Denrico UNR Fallon Chapter Scholarship.” All Fallon Alumni Chapter activities help raise funds for scholarships. Lots of upcoming activities are in the works—basketball rooter bus, softball rooter bus, Western BBQ scholarship fundraiser, Aces game, mystery bus trip and a new event for us, Brews and Brats. For additional information regarding upcoming events, visit www.unr.edu/alumni and click “Connect” to find the Fallon Chapter.

Native American Alumni Chapter
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The Native American Alumni Chapter held its annual Homecoming tailgate Oct. 24. At the tailgate, hamburgers, hotdogs and side dishes were served. Alumni, friends, and family were all in attendance. The chapter also collaborated with the University’s Native American Student Organization and participated in the homecoming parade.

NAAC co-sponsored “We Tell Stories” Nov. 6. The reception was in celebration of Native American Heritage Month and included entertainment, as well as a silent auction. Event proceeds will support the University of Nevada, Reno Spring Powwow May 1-2.

Thank you NAAC members! Our spring membership drive was a huge success. We extend appreciation to those of you who renewed and to our new chapter members.
The Nevada Football Alumni Chapter is proud to announce a new social networking website at www.nevadaalumnifootball.com. Former players and family/friends of former players are encouraged to register. Registration is free, but we encourage football alumni to join the chapter or renew your yearly membership. The new website will offer merchandise sales and information on upcoming events. It functions similarly to Facebook, allowing friends and family to keep in touch. All membership fees and merchandise sales assist in funding yearly summer school costs for our Nevada football team. If you have questions about the Nevada Football Alumni Chapter, please do not hesitate to contact Jim Farley.

Co-presidents of OSNAA Cathy Butler ’74 and Michelle Kling ’75, ’94, pose with Dr. John McDonald, vice president of the Division of Health Sciences, and Patsy Ruchala, director of the Orvis School of Nursing, at the chapter’s wine tasting Sept. 9 at Whispering Vine.

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.

California to the Nevada Football Alumni Chapter looks forward to the possibility of recruiting potential students and their parents.

The medical school Class of 1982 poses for a group photo with UNSOM Alumni Association Outstanding Alumna award recipient Dr. Susan Desmond-Hellmann ’78, ’82M.D. at the 40th anniversary celebration of the school’s founding. BACK: Dr. Craig KLOSE ’82M.D., Nancy KLOSE, Patti Mandaro, Kim Miller ’78, Dr. Mitchell Miller ’78, ’82M.D. FRONT: Dr. Bruce Shapiro ’82M.D., Carole Shapiro, Dr. Roger Belcourt ’77, ’82M.D., Dr. Stephen Mandaro ’82M.D., Dr. Terrence McGaw ’80, ’82M.D., Dr. Susan Desmond-Hellmann ’78, ’82M.D. Rene Rores, Dr. Christopher Rores ’82M.D.


The UNSOM Alumni Chapter would like to thank our alumni, as well as current and past faculty, staff and students who participated in the 40th anniversary of the school’s founding in September. It was an honor to have the founding dean of the medical school, Dr. George Smith, in attendance, in addition to several key legislators who played a role in the founding of the school. Our chapter awarded its first Outstanding Alumnus award to Dr. Susan Desmond-Hellmann ’78, ’82M.D. It was a special evening with many of her fellow classmates in attendance to celebrate the honor.

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USAC Alumni Chapter
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The USAC/UNR Festival was held Sept. 30 on the front lawn of the Mathewson-IGT Knowledge Center. USAC staff and more than 25 USAC alumni assisted in the event, which provided program, financial aid, scholarship and application information for students considering studying abroad. Alumni from a variety of the 40 USAC program sites available to University students shared their experiences and suggestions with interested students. The atmosphere was fun and laid-back, as everyone enjoyed cotton candy and popcorn in the bright sunshine on our beautiful campus. More than 300 students stopped by to chat, ask questions and receive information.

Young Alumni Chapter
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YAC had a lot to celebrate during Homecoming, including being named Chapter of the Year and recognizing two Outstanding Young Alumnae of the Year—Stephani Foust ’01, ’08M.A. and Melissa Molyneaux ’06—both YAC past-presidents. Award recipients were honored at the Homecoming Gala and during the Homecoming game. We also organized Old Timer’s Night and made a float for the Homecoming Parade.

Wingology was a success! YAC and COBAA enjoyed all-you-can-eat wings and beer during the Nevada vs. San Jose State game Nov. 8. Thanks to Scruples for sponsoring the event!

Our December Mystery Bus took us to the River Grill in Tahoe City. The final destination was a surprise, but the fun that took place on the bus was not!

Planning for 2010 is underway (including Beerfest). To get involved, visit www.NevadaYAC.com or attend an open meeting the first Wednesday of each month at The Lil’ Wal’.

Silver & Blue Society

Bound by their shared commitment to the University of Nevada, Reno, members of the Silver & Blue Society assist the institution in addressing a broad range of needs—including future needs that often cannot be anticipated at the time gifts are made.

To recognize these individuals, the Silver & Blue Society was formed to honor those who give an annual unrestricted gift of $1,874 or more. Members of the Silver & Blue Society provide for scholarships, new academic programs, innovative learning opportunities, faculty recruitment and development, and enhancements to campus, among a host of other areas.

The Silver & Blue Society owes its name to a time when a circle of dedicated men and women helped create the University of Nevada. Established as a land grant institution in 1874, the school depended in part on the vision and support provided by advocates. Many of them knew the value of gifts beyond the government programs that were meant to create a thriving economy for a new western state.

The generosity of individuals makes all the difference in the future of Nevada. Unrestricted funding is a critical resource that supports the University’s most pressing needs.

To learn more about the Silver & Blue Society contact Crystal Parrish at (775) 784-1352 or cparrish@unr.edu.