Chapter Updates

College of Business Alumni Association
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The College of Business Alumni Association held its 23rd annual golf tournament at Wolf Run Golf Course on May 8. There were several players, sponsors and volunteers in attendance which attributed to the success of the day. Keep your eye out for the third annual COBAA magazine mailboxes in July.

Fallon Alumni Chapter
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The Fallon Alumni Chapter gave Wolf Pack softball player Sara Parsons a grand send-off during Senior Day. More than 30 members and friends of the chapter attended her final game on May 10. The group is now planning activities for fundraising while connecting with the high school students and community members to share the opportunities that are available at the University. We will encourage students to attend the University by organizing campus trips and other informational activities. Check out our Facebook page University of Nevada Alumni Association, Fallon Chapter or email FallonUNRAlumni@yahoo.com for more information.

Native American Alumni Chapter
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The Native American Alumni Chapter (NAAC) is proud to provide scholarships to outstanding Native American students attending the University of Nevada, Reno. This spring, the NAAC collaborated with the Native American Student Organization to host the University’s Social Pow Wow and Princess Pageant. Community gatherings this summer include a pre-game social and a Reno Aces game. We will also be welcoming new incoming students and hosting a welcome barbecue to join new students, current students and alumni.

Nevada Cheer and Spirit Alumni Chapter
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Thank you to our members, executive board, Coach Kim Anastassatos, the Nevada Alumni Association and the Athletics Department for everything they did to make our third year as a chapter our most successful yet. We raised $5,000 to replace the cheer floor, doubled our membership, had the largest attendance ever at Homecoming, added successful new events like Cheers to Happy Hour, the Senior Luncheon and Cheer on our Seniors. We also inducted 100 percent of cheer and spirit graduating seniors into the chapter, grew our Facebook group to almost 300 members, added an Instagram page and retained 100 percent of our executive board for next year.

Please join us in our fourth year where we will begin our scholarship fundraising drive and the mentorship program for the current team. To learn more, please contact Elliot Sparkman at eesparkman@gmail.com.

Nevada Sagebrush Alumni Chapter
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Save the date for the Nevada Sagebrush Alumni Chapter’s third annual dinner Oct. 1 at Pinchoos’ Bar & Grill in Reno. More details on the dinner to come soon. NSAC was able to award $600 to the current Sagebrush staff for travel to the Associated Collegiate Press conference. Each month we also host a happy hour. Instead of worrying about deadlines, we go out and “Deadwine”! Our next event is Monday, Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m. at The Lil’ Wal. For more information, contact Amy Beck at ajbeck@unr.edu or find the Nevada Sagebrush Alumni Chapter on Facebook.

Nile Valley Alumni Chapter
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The Nile Valley Alumni Chapter in Lovelock hosted two well-attended events this spring. On March 8, proudly wearing silver and blue, 32 members boarded a chartered bus and drove to Lawlor Events Center to cheer the Pack onto victory against the UNLV Rebels. May 8, Dan and Malinda (Condie) Frazier ’78 (elementary education) hosted 34 members at their home for our third annual member appreciation dinner. The Nile Valley Chapter will proudly present a scholarship, in conjunction with the Emmett Cook, Jr. Scholarship Fund, to a student graduating from Pershing County High School who will attend the University in the fall.

Orvis School of Nursing Alumni Association
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The Orvis School of Nursing held its Convocation Ceremony May 15, where 46 candidates were pinned and received their bachelor’s degrees in nursing. Many proud OSNAA members attended and were
recognized during the ceremony. Our chapter membership drive at Renown Medical Center resulted in 18 new annual members and one lifetime member. The OSNAA steering committee met June 4. Our diverse and dynamic group has some exciting ideas for our membership in the coming months, including collaborating with the Orvis Student Nurses’ Association, hosting a Homecoming barbecue, as well as continuing education opportunities and attending the Reno Aces vs. Nevada Wolf Pack game next spring. The committee also voted to add a second annual OSNAA scholarship, furthering our commitment to Orvis students. Watch for event details in our quarterly newsletter.

Sacramento Alumni Chapter
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Eppie Johnson ’51 (business administration), the founder of our chapter back in 1992, passed away last year, and the Sacramento Alumni Chapter honored him at its monthly meeting on Eppie’s birthday, May 7. Along with a toast to his memory, alumni exchanged stories of Eppie’s impact on members, the community and the University.

On the horizon: Sept. 13 we’ll hold a viewing party for Nevada at Arizona football. On Oct. 4, we’ll travel to Reno for Homecoming against Boise State. The Sacramento Alumni Chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month. For information and location, contact Chapter President Steve Park, (916) 367-6345 or spark@ccareynkf.com.

Southern Nevada Alumni Chapter
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The Southern Nevada Alumni Chapter has been growing over the past year with the help of Scott Fielden ’88 (biology), ’93M.D., Iya Mathis ’04 (political science) and Casey Stiteler ’12 (political science). We would also like to thank Nevada alumni JM Pohorsky ’99 (management), who has been a tremendous help by hosting viewing parties for Nevada sports at his bar Scooter’s Pub in Las Vegas. The chapter hosted an event at the Hard Rock Hotel in the fall, at the Thomas and Mack Center prior to the Nevada vs. UNLV basketball game, as well as a party during the Reno Aces vs. the Las Vegas 51’s game (see photos on page 53). Other events have included happy hours, a ski day at Las Vegas Ski Resort, and will include hiking at Mt. Charleston and Shakespeare in the Park at Spring Mountain Ranch.

For more information please contact Scott Fielden at sdfmd@aol.com.

Student Ambassadors Alumni Chapter
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The Student Ambassador Alumni Chapter co-hosted a Senior Night in May to welcome 19 graduating ambassador seniors to the alumni family. Each senior received a commemorative Nevada silver and blue graduation tassel and a one-year Student Ambassador Alumni Chapter membership. Our chapter has exciting changes in the works and we appreciate any input. If you are interested in becoming a board member or assisting our chapter in establishing a scholarship fund, please contact Priscilla Acosta at nambassadoralumni@gmail.com. Don’t forget our annual camping trip open to all past and current Ambys in July.

UNSON Alumni Chapter
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The School of Medicine Alumni Chapter will hold its next annual event Oct. 2-4 during homecoming weekend. At the Nevada Alumni Association Homecoming Gala Oct. 2, we will present the UNSOM Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Award. On Oct. 3, we will offer tours of the medical school facilities followed by an alumni reception. Special activities are being planned for the classes of 1974, 1989 and 2004. For details, please contact the School of Medicine at (775) 682-7341. Please also take a few moments to visit the new UNSOM alumni website at medicine.nevada.edu/development/alumni, where more details and useful information can be found.

USAC Alumni Chapter
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The USAC Alumni Chapter is proud to recognize our 90-plus USAC/Nevada alumni who graduated from the University in May. Our graduates proudly wore sashes representing 24 of our 26 countries during spring commencement. The summer season began with 18 visiting scholars from USAC program sites in Costa Rica and Spain. USAC Alumni Chapter members introduced them to Nevada history and culture during their time in Reno. Our third and newest site in Italy, Reggio Emilia, welcomed its first batch of summer students. We want to extend a special thanks to the alumni chapter members, who helped spread the word about this new program. In addition, USAC awarded more than $17,000 in scholarships to Nevada summer students studying in Brazil, China, Costa Rica, Cuba, England, France, Italy and Spain. To learn more, please contact Michelle Cobb, (775) 682-5892 or mcobb@unr.edu.