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Morris Will Celebrate Homecoming 2014

Summary: The campus will host activities for alumni, students, faculty, staff, and community members.

(September 17, 2014)-The University of Minnesota, Morris invites alumni, students, faculty, staff, and community members to participate in this year's Homecoming celebration. Homecoming week features various activities, including sporting events, reunions, alumni and student networking opportunities, performances, and more. All are welcome to take part in the festivities October 3–5.

Traditional homecoming activities such as the Powder Puff Football game, Residence Hall Tug-o-War, and Black Student Union Date Auction, will take place September 29–October 3. Other campus events include the [Distinguished Visiting Professor in the Liberal Arts lecture](#) and the annual [Barber Lecture](#).

The fourth-annual Alumni and Students Networking Event, hosted by the UMM Alumni Association (UMMAA), will take place on Friday, October 3. The Distinguished Alumni Award and Cougar Hall of Fame Banquet—honoring [2014 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients Barbara Gunderson Stowe '72 and Tim Goodmanson '86](#) and Cougar Hall of Fame inductees Heather Pennie-Roy '94, Paul Martin '04, Beth Ploof Cordes '94, and Jim and Pat Tanner—will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center's Oyate Hall.

The weekend will begin on Saturday, October 4, at 9 a.m. at the Regional Fitness Center with the Cougar 5K (registration at 8 a.m.) and alumni women's basketball and volleyball matches. There will be a sustainability conversation at 9 a.m. in the Welcome Center, followed by green and campus tours at 9:30. The tailgate party will take place at 10:30 a.m. west of Big Cat Stadium. Cougar Volleyball will play Northland College at 11 a.m., and Cougar Football will take on Westminster College at 12 p.m.

Following the football game, Morris will host a gathering in memory of the late [Chancellor Emeritus John Q. Imholte](#) at 3 p.m. at the LaFave House. The celebration will also commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the UMMAA. The LGBT and Friends Alumni Reception will be held from 2–4 p.m. in the Student Center Prairie Lounge, followed by an alumni gathering in the Multi-Ethnic Resource Center for alumni and students of equity, diversity, and intercultural programs.

Homecoming will conclude on Sunday, October 5, with an alumni softball game at 11 a.m. at the Cougar Softball Fields and an alumni baseball game at 1 p.m. on Cougar Field. Symphonic Winds, Concert Choir, University Choir, and Jazz Ensemble will perform at 2 p.m. in the Humanities Fine Arts Recital Hall. A post-concert reception will follow.

The Phi Mu Delta Fraternity will hold its 50th-year reunion during the Homecoming celebration. Details are available at morris.umn.edu/alumni/phimudelta.

The complete Homecoming 2014 schedule is available online. For more information or to RSVP for the Friday evening banquet, please visit morris.umn.edu/homecoming2014 or call 320-589-6066.

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