Founders Day 2011

Congratulations to the 2011 Founders Day honorees! Award recipients will be recognized at the annual Founders Day Gala on March 3 when we celebrate the University of Denver’s 147th anniversary.

Evans Award
Pat Grant (MBA ’73)

Professional Achievement Award
Carol Tome (MBA ’81)

Distinguished Service to the University Award
Victor Quinn

Community Service Award
Brad Busse (BSBA ’80)

Randolph P. McDonough Award for Service to Alumni
John Ritter (BA ’72)

Ammi Hyde Award for Recent Graduate Achievement
Nick Sauer (BA ’05)

Alumni Reception - Seoul, Korea

More than 30 University of Denver Korean Alumni Chapter members and guests kicked off 2011 with an alumni reception January 14 at the Imperial Palace Hotel in Seoul, Korea. The group welcomed Executive Director of Alumni Relations Jeffrey Howard and the Dean of the Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Christopher Hill, to the reception as honored guests. The event was coordinated by Korean Alumni Chapter President Moon Kang (BSBA 1989, MBA 1991) and attended by the founders of the alumni chapter, Song Kuark (BSBA 1968) and Kil Su Shin (MBA 1985).

The evening’s program included comments from Mr. Kang, Mr. Kuark, Dean Hill and Executive Director Howard. A highlight of the reception was the announcement that Chancellor Robert Coombe would attend the chapter’s holiday celebration weekend December 2-4, 2011 in Seoul and Jeju Island, Korea. Next month, February 12, Daniels College of Business Associate Clinical Professor Kerry Plemmons will address the group as he makes his way to Seoul for Daniels business.

The reception also featured a drawing for a prized University of Denver hockey jersey, which was taken home by happy DU alumnus Tae-Hei Huh (1995 Josef Korbel School of International Studies).
TEDxDU Xpress: Overcoming Adversity

Sign up for this free kickoff luncheon Thursday, January 20 from 12:00-1:15 pm at Ruffatto Hall and hear three TED-style, short and proactive talks from DU's Graduate School of Professional Psychology Professor Dr. Kim Gorgens, hockey player Jesse Martin, and student Joe Monteith. Lunch will be provided.

Email: TEDXpress2011@gmail.com to register by midnight Tuesday, January 18.

DU ZONE Networking Reception

The University of Denver Athletic Department thanks you for your support of the campus-wide DU Zone initiative to strengthen ties and promote business in the local community. As a symbol of our gratitude, we would like to invite you and your guest/s to join us for a pregame reception beginning at 6:00 pm in the Gold Club (located on the 4th floor of the Ritchie Center - 2201 E. Asbury Ave.) before the DU men’s basketball game against conference rival Arkansas State on Thursday, January 20. Please RSVP with the number of tickets requested to Paul Pogge at paul.pogge@du.edu.

Local merchants - not an official member of the DU ZONE yet? We encourage you to do so as soon as possible at www.du.edu/duzone. The DU ZONE card entitles the Holder to receive a special offer at participating DU Zone businesses.

Regional Chapter Scene

Twin Cities

2011 Twin Cities Culinary Showcase - RSVP Online
Thursday, January 20
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm
The Minneapolis Club - 729 2nd Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55402

DU Hockey Winter Road Trip to Minnesota - RSVP Online
Friday and Saturday, February 11-12

Chicago

DU Hockey Watch Party - Pioneers vs. CC Tigers
Saturday, February 5
7:30 pm
Puck drops at 8:07 pm
Gaslight Bar and Grille, 2426 N Racine Ave.

Phoenix

DU on the Road - Dinner with DU Head Coach Gwozdecky - RSVP Online
Tuesday, January 25
5:00 pm
Jobing.com Arena Coyotes Terrace Club Level

DU Hockey Watch Party - RSVP Online
Friday, February 4
7:30 pm
Puck drops at 8:07 pm
Fox Sports Grill, 16203 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Southern California

DU Hockey Watch Party - Pioneers vs. CC Tigers - RSVP Online
Saturday, February 5
6:00 pm
South, 3001 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90403

Alumni Benefits

New: Fixed Annuities

Like a bank CD but provided by an insurance company, often at a higher interest rate, a fixed annuity provides guarantees, security, tax advantages, accessibility, and even a free-look so you can change your mind. For rates and more information about saving your money in a fixed annuity, visit www.DenverAnnuity.com.

Life Insurance

Do You Have Enough Life Insurance? Obtain your personalized needs estimate from Meyers & Associates.

Health Insurance

The Alumni Association sponsors an insurance program to help alums who are without coverage. Going without health insurance - even for a short period of time - puts you at personal and financial risk. For more information or to apply online, visit www.meyerandassoc.com/ma/DU.

Banking

Alumni can apply for the University of Denver Platinum Plus MasterCard with WorldPoints® Rewards. For every purchase that you make, a contribution goes back to the Alumni Association at no additional cost to you!

Hotel Rate Specials

As families and friends come to town, don’t forget DU alumni and friends get special rates at some of Denver’s best hotels. Click here for a list of vendors that support the Pioneer spirit through sponsorship.
**Pioneer Alumni Cheering Section**

The Office of Alumni Relations has a limited number of **complimentary** reserved seats available for upcoming DU Pioneers Basketball matchups! **Please call 303-871-2701 to claim the tickets. First come, first served.**

**Men’s Basketball:**  
Arkansas State - Thursday, January 20 at 7:00 pm  
North Texas - Saturday, January 29 at 4:00 pm  

**Women’s Basketball:**  
Arkansas State - Wednesday, January 19 at 7:00 pm  
North Texas - Saturday, January 29 at 1:30 pm

Go Pioneers!

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**News**

**Colorado native and DU alum Pete Coors named Citizen of the West**  
The National Western Stock Show recently honored DU alumnus Pete Coors (MBA '79) as its 2011 Citizen of the West. [Read more...]

**Alum runs one of the world’s top ski complexes**  
A lifelong skier who learned the sport on a tiny ski hill in Wisconsin, Aspen Skiing Co. CEO and President Mike Kaplan (MBA '93) now runs one of the world’s top ski complexes at four resorts in the Rockies. [Read more...]

**Two DU poets win national arts grants**  
Two poets with DU ties were among 42 poets from across the nation awarded literature fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) in November 2010. [Read more...]

**Winter Carnival celebrates 50 years of frosty fun**  
This year marks the 50th anniversary of Winter Carnival, a favorite Pioneers tradition. The first Winter Carnival was held the weekend of Jan. 13, 1961, and was sponsored by the Pioneer Ski Club. [Read more...]

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**Alumni Professional Network**

Join our Professional Network at https://du-csm.symplicity.com/mentors and help current DU students and alumni learn about their career interests. Your contact information is posted on our password protected site that is accessible only to the DU community. Interactions happen via your preferred method: email, mail or phone.

**Mentor a DU student.** We want YOUR help! Participate as a mentor through Pioneer Connections, a program that matches DU students with alumni in their fields of expertise. Mentoring provides an opportunity to become acquainted with a student and make a difference in their career. It allows you to:  
- Advise on career options  
- Provide job search advice  
- Coach students regarding networking  
- Assist with problem-solving skills  
- Encourage goal setting

Mentors can be local or in other cities. To download the mentor application, click here. For information, contact Cindy Hyman at chyman@du.edu.