ALUMNI EVENTS

Social! Capture all the fun at these events in photos and videos, and send them to Lisa McMahon at lmcmahon@niagara.edu to share them on social media and in the Eagle magazine.

Welcome home! Alumni Weekend 2016 is Oct. 7-9. Check out the details here.

Syracuse, N.Y.: Join NU alumni for camaraderie and fun during lunch on Wednesday, May 25, at The Distillery (at Erie Blvd. East and Thompson Rd.) from noon to 1 p.m. No registration necessary; just come and share your ideas for future events and activities.

WIN! Honor former NU head trainer Ray Kist and benefit Niagara’s student-athletes by registering for the Ray Kist Memorial Golf Classic at the Niagara Falls Country Club in Lewiston, N.Y., Monday, June 13. Registration information is available here. Come out and join alumni from NU, Canisius, and St. Bonaventure as they continue the Little Three Golf Tournament tradition Monday, June 27. Find out more and register here.

Binghamton/Elimira, N.Y.: Join NU alumni and friends at the NYSEG Stadium to see the Binghamton Mets vs. the Richmond Flying Squirrels on June 26. Enjoy camaraderie and fun during lunch on Monday, June 13: Join NU alumni and friends at the Saratoga Racetrack in Saratoga, N.Y., Saturday, July 30. Reserve your spot here.

ALUMNI RESOURCES/THINGS TO DO

Make a gift
Download your Purple Perks card
Read the Eagle magazine
Mentor a student
Take a class
Contact Admissions
Watch the Ridge Report
Space up your résumé
Explore library materials
Buy NU gear
Request a transcript
Check out Purple Eagles sports schedules
Visit the Castellani Art Museum

CAMPUS NEWS

A quick look at what’s happening on the Ridge. To access all the NU news, visit http://www.news.niagara.edu/. Welcome to the Alumni Family: More than 3,000 individuals received academic degrees during Niagara University’s 2016 commencement ceremonies, May 12 and 14. The events were highlighted by addresses from Catherine Lyons, ’73, the executive director of patient care services at Smilow Cancer Hospital; Bret Stephens, the 2013 Politzer Prize-winning columnist, editorial board member, and deputy editorial page editor for The Wall Street Journal; and Chantal Kreviazuk, a celebrated Canadian musician and humanitarian.

Continuing Tradition: The Rev. Vincent O’Malley, C.M., blessed the hands of 84 men and women, signifying their entry into the nursing profession, during the annual nursing Mass and Blessing Ceremony.

Kudon: Al Oddo, professor emeritus of accounting, received the Director’s Award from the Internal Revenue Service in recognition of 40 years of service to the VITA program. Megan Rogers, a sophomore business major at NU, has been named a 2016 Newswoman Civic Fellow by Campus Compact for demonstrating outstanding leadership and civic engagement. She is one of 218 students in the country to receive the award. Christopher Fritschi, a junior chemistry major, is one of 9 students selected to receive a summer undergraduate research fellowship from the Organic Chemistry Division of the American Chemical Society. A pair of Niagara University students took home top prizes from the Western New York American Chemical Society’s Undergraduate Research Symposium, which was held April 9 at Canisius College. Christopher Fritschi won the Best Oral Presentation, while Zachary Mariani claimed the award for Outstanding Poster Presentation. Graduate student Christine Bacon was awarded an honorable mention designation by the American Alliance of Museums for her paper, A Thousand Invisible Cards.

A research paper co-authored by associate professor Dr. Chang Hub was awarded second place during the 2016 Korea America Hospitality and Tourism Educators Association Conference. Several Niagara accounting students were recognized for academic excellence in accounting as part of the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants, Buffalo chapter annual awards dinner. The NU Marketing Association received the award for Outstanding Chapter Plan at an American Marketing Association conference in New Orleans.

Making Things Better: NU is one of three postsecondary institutions in the country – and one of seven organizations of any kind – to receive a $50,000 grant through NobleCause, a grant competition mobilizing volunteers to address the greatest challenges facing their communities. The grant will be used to address food insecurity in Niagara Falls, N.Y., where a recent study found that 70 percent of residents are eligible for food stamps and 15 percent of the city’s most vulnerable residents have urgent concerns for food.

ALUMNI STORIES

Our alumni are making a difference in their professions and in their communities. Read more of their stories at www.niagara.edu/alumni-news.

Chris Viscardi, ‘84, enjoyed an “idyllic childhood” growing up in Auburn, N.Y.: summers at the lake, snowy winters, surrounded by friends and family. He drew upon these experiences to co-create the Adventures of Pete and Pete. “I know for sure that one of the best children’s shows ever made, and an iconic property of Nicktoons programming.

NEWS FROM YOUR ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT TEAM

If you are interested in starting a chapter in your area, please let us know. Some areas where we have concentrations of alumni who are without chapters include: Alabama; Connecticut/Rhode Island; Michigan; Northern New Jersey; Las Vegas; Columbus, Ohio; Saratoga, Naples, and Tampa, Fla.; and Central California.

Contact Howard Morgan at hmorgan@niagara.edu for more information.

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