



University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire

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August 17, 2009

Dear Nursing Alumni, Emeriti and Current Faculty, Students, and Friends,

The College of Nursing and Health Sciences invites you to the annual Nursing Alumni Homecoming Walk scheduled for **Saturday, October 17, 2009**. Please come to enjoy the camaraderie of the walk and the many other activities planned for the UW-Eau Claire Homecoming weekend.

We will have some exciting news to share and to celebrate. On May 8, 2009, our Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) program was approved by the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents. This is the first doctoral program at UW-Eau Claire! We will begin offering the program in the summer of 2010. During the first two years of the program, the DNP will be offered as a post-master's option only; however, we anticipate offering both MSN-to-DNP and BSN-to-DNP options beginning in the 2012-2013 academic year. For more news and information regarding our programs, please check out our Nursing website: <http://www.uwec.edu/nurs/>. Be watching the website for notices of DNP informational sessions we plan to hold for the public this fall.

The Nursing Walk will start at 8:00 a.m. in front of the School of Nursing Building (with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m.). The walk will be a rather short one across and around campus, giving everyone an opportunity to remember their daily treks to and from classes.

We will have a continental breakfast at 8:30 following the walk. With the breakfast, we'll provide an update regarding recent events at the College and University and draw names for door prizes. We plan on finishing by 10:00 a.m. so that you may attend the Homecoming Parade.

College of Nursing and Health Sciences T-shirts with an embroidered University logo are being ordered for the walk. To make sure we have enough T-shirts to go around, we encourage you to pre-register using the enclosed form. While completing the registration form, please consider making a donation to build up our Nursing Advancement Fund. Monies from this fund are used to support student and faculty initiatives, special projects, and immediate needs not covered by the university's budget. Donations also can be made to new and existing scholarships for our students (including students in our accelerated and DNP programs); to assist us in attracting, retaining, and "growing our own" doctorally prepared faculty; and to enhance our teaching facilities and clinical laboratory technology. If you are interested in or have questions about designating a gift to a specific area, please contact the Foundation Office at fdn@uwec.edu or (877) 625-2473, or visit the Foundation website (<http://www.uwec.edu/fndn/index.htm>) for assistance.

Excellence. Our measure, our motto, our goal.

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While you are here for the walk, please take advantage of the many other University activities scheduled for Homecoming Weekend. The events start on Friday October 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Zorn Arena with the Varsity Night Live show. On Saturday, the Homecoming Parade begins at 10:00 a.m. on 1st Avenue (just past the Lake Street area). Then watch the 1:00 UW-Eau Claire Blugolds vs. UW-Platteville Pioneers football game at Carson Park. More information about the University's homecoming activities can be found at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Alumni Association web site at <http://www.uwec.edu/Alumni> or by contacting the Alumni Office by telephone at 715-836-3266 or by e-mail at alumni@uwec.edu.

While you are at the Alumni Association web site, be sure to update the University and College of Nursing and Health Sciences with your contact information and any news you would like to share.

Please don't forget to return the **registration form** for the walk. We would appreciate receiving the forms by **October 5th**. We hope to see you at the walk and if you are unable to attend we appreciate your support and hope you will come visit your alma mater soon!!

Sincerely,

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Schedule of Events

Saturday, October 17th, 2009

7:30 Registration begins at the School of Nursing Building

8:00 Walk (around and across campus)

8:30 Continental Breakfast at the School of Nursing Building

9:00 College of Nursing and Health Sciences Update

9:15 Door prizes

10:00 Homecoming Parade, starting on 1st Avenue (just past Lake Street)

1:00 UW-Eau Claire Blugolds vs. UW-Platteville Pioneers Football Game at Carson Park



Please detach and **mail** with check by **October 5th** to:
College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Attn: Nursing Alumni Walk, Rm 101
University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
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Nursing Alumni Homecoming Walk Registration Form

- I plan to attend the Nursing Alumni Walk. I would like a T-shirt*.
- I cannot attend the Walk; however, please accept my donation of \$25.00 and send me a T-Shirt.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Other Name as Student (e.g., maiden) _____

Address _____

City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address: _____ Class of _____

Check if: ___Alumnus ___Emeritus Faculty ___Faculty ___Friend of Nursing ___Family ___Student

T-shirt size: ___Small; ___Medium; ___Large; ___Xlarge; ___XXLarge; ___XXXLarge

The following family/friends plan to attend and also request T-shirts: _____

Total Number Attending _____

Suggested donations*:

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| Alumni | \$20.00 (\$25.00 if register on day of walk) | |
| Emeriti Faculty | \$15.00 (\$20.00 if register on day of walk) | |
| Faculty | \$20.00 (\$25.00 if register on day of walk) | |
| Friends and Family | \$20.00 (\$25.00 if register on day of walk) | |
| Students | \$15.00 (\$20.00 if register on day of walk) | |
| Not attending, but would like T-shirt mailed. \$25.00 | | |
| Additional Donation | | |
| Total Amount Enclosed | | \$ _____ |

Make **check payable** to the **UW-Eau Claire Foundation** and indicate the
“Nursing Advancement Fund” in the memo line.

*Note: If accepting a T-shirt, part of the donation may be used to defray T-shirt expenses.