

Hello DU Families!

I am Sharon Bond, Director of Parent & Family Engagement at the University of Denver. Welcome new families, and welcome back returning families!

This is the Parents@DU newsletter, a monthly publication which will give you news and information about the DU community. I will post information about our major events for parents and provide resources for you throughout the year.

The newsletter is quickly becoming a secondary form of communicating news and events, as we have launched our new DU Parents Facebook Group, so be sure to get connected with that group to get frequent updates from other parents in the DU community. To connect with this private online parent community, go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UniversityofDenverParents/>

### **DU Newsroom Launched**

The University of Denver recently launched a [Newsroom website](#) where you can keep up with what's going on around campus, what our faculty experts are saying in the media, and what our DU community members are achieving at home and around the world. The Newsroom is designed to be a one-stop view of the latest University of Denver news you need to know about and also a source of news for the media.

## **Homecoming (Oct) and Parents Weekend (Feb)**

Parents and community members are anxiously awaiting the Homecoming schedule of events to become available. I am keeping a close eye on the [Homecoming website](#) and will let you all know when the schedule is announced.

Our two big events for parents during the academic year are "Homecoming" and "Parents Weekend."

Homecoming will be October 14 & 15. The schedule has not yet been released by Alumni Relations but when it is, I will post a note on the Facebook group and send an email. I will also post the website where you can find details about the event and information about registration.

Parents Weekend will be February 24 & 25. I will have details about that weekend on the Parents website in December, <http://www.du.edu/studentlife/parents/events>.

Parents Weekend is planned with activities that you can do with your student, such as Canvas & Mocktails, Tour of Sports Authority Field at Mile High, possibly a cooking class, campus historic tours or bell tower tours. The feel is very different from Homecoming, which will have large scale activities such as Taste of DU (restaurants in our local area come to DU), Pio Palooza (a departmental resource fair and lawn activities), Book Chats with authors, and other community and student events.

Pioneer Hockey is part of both events. Come to one, or to both. You are always welcome on campus.

### **Gary Brower, University Chaplain**

As he is affectionately known throughout the DU community, Chaplain Gary provides a newsletter, groups for students, religious accommodations, and is a resource for parents of students as well. Here is [a note from Chaplain Gary](#) with details about how to get connected with him and to learn about his office.

### **Help a student, join Alumnifire!**

Did you know that 80% of all jobs come through networking? As a parent, share your network and improve a student's chances to find the internships and jobs they need to succeed. Join Alumnifire, DU's private, online platform. Students and alumni email you directly to ask questions, seek career advice and find connections. You can help from anywhere in the world. Join at [du.alumnifire.com/parents](http://du.alumnifire.com/parents).

The next newsletter will be delivered October 14th.  
Enjoy the Fall season!

