Homecoming Participation Packet
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WELCOME LETTER

Dear Privateers,

As a member of the Executive Board for the Students Activities Council, I am very excited about your interest in participating in Homecoming this year! Homecoming is a very special time for our university because it’s what brings everyone together. Whether you are in an organization, a faculty or staff member, on a team, an alumni, or even just going to an event, we are all showing our Privateer Pride!

We gear each event toward bringing the spirit of UNO back to our students, leading them to our Privateer double header with our women’s and men’s basketball teams. We strongly encourage school spirit and creativity throughout Homecoming so that our teams know that we are all in this together!

This year, the Privateers will be going back in time! Our theme is Privateer Time Machine, and each week leading up to the game will be themed with a decade.

Team and organizations applications for those nominating a homecoming court king or queen are due Monday, November 20, 2017 at 4:00PM. Homecoming Court candidates will need to turn in their form by Monday, November 27, 2017 at 4:00PM. Personal applications will be given to each candidate upon nomination. All King and Queen Candidates will be reviewed by The Homecoming Committee via these applications. Teams and organizations without court nominees have until Wednesday, January 17, 2018 at 4:00PM to turn in their packets.

If you have any questions regarding Homecoming Week after reading this packet, please feel free to contact SAC at (504) 280-7081.

Go, Privateers!

Miranda Le Beau

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Competition Preparation:

Monday, November 20th
4:00PM: Team Packets Due to UC 222
(for teams nominating a king/queen)
4:00PM: King and Queen Nominations Due

Monday, November 27th
4:00PM: King and Queen Applications Due

Tuesday, November 28th – Thursday, November 30th
King and Queen Nominations reviewed by the Homecoming Committee

Friday, December 1st
12:00PM: Committee Reviews Due
4:00PM: Court Announced to Nominees

Monday, December 4th
3:00PM: Homecoming Court Photo Shoot in UC 208
(Please wear Homecoming shirt and jeans)

Wednesday, January 17th
12:00PM: Homecoming Court Announced
4:00PM: Team Packets Due
(for teams NOT nominating a king/queen)
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

*At pre-homecoming and homecoming week events, teams will have the opportunity to earn participation, spirit, and competition points! See event descriptions for details!*

**Pre-Homecoming Activities:**

**Thursday, January 18**
#ThrowbackThursday 70’s Theme
7:00PM-9:00PM: Match Game at The Cove

**Thursday, January 25**
#ThrowbackThursday 80’s Theme
7:00PM-9:00PM: Family Feud at The Cove

**Thursday, February 1**
#ThrowbackThursday 90’s Theme
7:00PM-9:00PM: Figure it Out at The Cove

**Sunday, February 4**
11:59PM: Awkward Family Photo, Photo of Building Decorations, and Game Banner Design due to sac@uno.edu

**Tuesday, February 6**
10:00AM-2:00PM: Blues on Tues T-shirt Swap in Library Breezeway

**Homecoming Week:**

**Wednesday, February 14**
10:00AM-2:00PM: Valentine’s Day Celebration in the UC Atrium

**Thursday, February 15**
4:00PM: Game Banners Due to UC 222
5:30PM-8:00PM: Amazing Race at The Cove

**Friday, February 16**
11:30AM-1:00PM: Pep Rally in the UC Atrium
8:30PM-11:00PM: Concert in the Quad

**Saturday, February 17**
12:00PM-2:30PM: Tailgate
2:00PM: Women’s Basketball Game
Between Games: Introduce Homecoming Court
4:15PM: Men’s Basketball Game
Halftime: King and Queen Coronation
HOMECOMING COMPETITION INFORMATION

Forming a Team
Organizations may compete individually or they may join forces to form a team. This must be specified in the packet your team files and you must specify your team name. Any group of five or more students can form a team even without an official organization and must create an official team name.

How to Earn Points
There are three ways to earn points during Homecoming Week: attendance, spirit, and competition. Each of the three is described below.

Attendance Points
- Every event is an opportunity to win attendance points. To earn these points, members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the time of the event*.
- In order to account for organizations or teams with fewer numbers than others, we will divide teams into tiers based on the number of members on the team. Tiers will be determined once all teams have been registered.

Spirit Points
- By showing your UNO spirit you can win up to 5 points for your team at events. Here are some ideas to help you earn spirit points:
  - Be positive and supportive of all events and people involved in Homecoming
  - Use your creativity to embrace the theme of Privateer, Time Machine
  - Have fun!
- During Homecoming it is important to show support for UNO and the UNO Basketball teams. Therefore, spirit points for the game will be worth 25 points. In order to get the most points, you should show your school spirit through attire, cheering, and positive attitude!

Competition Points
- Competition points are awarded based on how teams place in the competitive events throughout the week.
- First place will be awarded 15 points, second place will win 10 points, and third place will win 5 points.
- Each competition has different rules that are detailed in their individual descriptions on pages 8-11 in the packet.
**Homecoming Court Points**
- If one of the members on your team is on the Homecoming Court, your team will be awarded 5 points.
- If your member is the Homecoming King or Queen your team will be awarded 15 points.
- More information on Homecoming Court is listed on page 12 in this packet.

**Deduction of Points**
- If any of the rules for an event or competition are broken, your team will be disqualified and will not receive any points for that event.
- Unsportsmanlike conduct and poor attitudes will result in a loss of spirit points.

To ensure this packet has been read thoroughly, five points will be added to any team if the following words are said to me (Miranda) at any ONE Homecoming Event: “I like to talk like a pirate!”

In the event of a tie, the SAC Executive Board will decide the winner. The decision will be based on which of the teams contributed to Homecoming with the most enthusiasm. All judging decisions are final.
PRE-HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES

Match Game

*Thursday, January 17th from 7-9:30PM at The Cove*

Teams will be competing against head to head in this 70s throwback game show! A SAC host will ask a series of comedic questions, and contestants from each team will try to match the answers of a panel of UNO celebrities. **Competition points** will be awarded for each match and double points will be awarded to the contestant who wins 3 out of 5 rounds. **Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the event time* to earn attendance points.** **Spirit points** will be awarded based on the number of your members who are dressed to match the 70s theme.

Family Feud

*Thursday, January 25th from 7-9:30PM at The Cove*

Two teams of five contestants compete to guess responses to survey questions in this 80s throwback game show! **Competition points** will be awarded for each correct match and double points will be awarded to the team that wins the round. **Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the event time* to earn attendance points for your team.** **Spirit points** will be awarded based on the number of your members who are dressed to match the 80s theme.

Figure It Out

*Thursday, February 1st from 7-9:30PM at The Cove*

Teams will be competing against each other in this 90s throwback game show from Nickelodeon. The game will feature UNO students with unique talents and a panel of contestants will guess the talents with only yes or no questions. The talent will be phrased into a sentence, and the panel must solve the full sentence. Here is a link to the original game show: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=9vpEebEasUQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9vpEebEasUQ). **Competition points** will be awarded per word discovered and double points will be awarded to the team with the contestant who figures out the full riddle. **Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the event time* to earn attendance points for your team.** **Spirit points** will be awarded based on the number of your members who are dressed to match the 90s theme.
Decorating Buildings

Pictures must be submitted to sac@uno.edu by 11:59PM on Sunday, February 4th

Teams will receive participation points for decorating their assigned building. SAC will provide spray paint (for use on grass only), chalk, and signs. You may pick these items up from the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership on Friday, February 2nd, to use over the weekend. Things to write include UNO spirited messages like “Go UNO!” and “Go Privateers!” To earn spirit points your team must send a photo of your finished decorations by 11:59pm on Sunday, February 4th to sac@uno.edu. Building decorations must be cleaned up by Monday, February 19th.

Awkward Family Photo Contest

Photo must be submitted to sac@uno.edu by 11:59PM on Sunday, February 4th

How close are you and with your team members?! This competition puts teams to the test! Gather any number of members of your team and pose for an “awkward family photo” that will make anyone feel uncomfortable. Be creative and make people laugh! SAC will post the photo on Facebook and your team will earn points based on the number of “likes” the photo receives. It is important to keep this photo G-Rated- remember it will be public on social media! Only the “likes” on the picture posted by SAC will earn you spirit points. This photo should be submitted by 11:59pm on Sunday, February 4th to sac@uno.edu.

Homecoming Banner Competition

Design must be submitted to sac@uno.edu by 11:59PM on Sunday, February 4th

Banner must be submitted by 4:00PM on Thursday, February 15th to UC 222

Show the UNO basketball teams your support at the game with Homecoming banners! On the banner, please include your team name and reference the basketball game. Banners may not exceed 3 feet in height and 6 feet in length and cannot contain glitter. Banners will be judged on creativity, adherence to this year’s theme, and overall appearance. These banners will be hung in the game stadium prior to the Homecoming Game. No banners will be hung at the game if they are not approved by SAC. To earn spirit points the design for the banner must be sent in by 11:59pm on Sunday, February 4th to sac@uno.edu and banners must be submitted by 4:00PM on Thursday, February 15th to UC 222.

Blues on Tues T-Shirt Swap

Tuesday, February 6th from 10:00AM to 2:00PM in the Library Breezeway

Stop by for some Privateer Swag! Turn in your shirts from other universities and receive a University of New Orleans t-shirt in return! Don’t have a shirt for other universities? We will have shirts available to tie-dye and you are welcome to bring your own clothing with you to participate in the fun. To earn attendance and spirit points you must participate in the t-shirt swap or dye a piece of clothing.
HOME COMING WEEK EVENTS

Valentine’s Day Celebration

*Wednesday, February 14th from 10AM-2PM in the UC Atrium*

Join the Student Activities Council in the UC Atrium for a Valentine’s Day Celebration! We will have a cookie decorating station and supplies to make posters for the basketball team. Earn attendance points by checking in at the SAC table *during the time* of the event using the UNO Social app.

Amazing Race

*Thursday, February 15th from 5:30-8PM at The Cove*

Two contestants from each team will compete in this cross campus adventure. Based on the 2000s era game show, SAC members will give each team a series of clues that lead them to multiple destinations on campus. The team that reaches the final destination first will win competition Points for their team. Attendance points will be awarded to members who check-in using the UNO Social app at the SAC table located at the starting point of the event.

Homecoming Pep Rally

*Friday, February 16th from 11:30AM-1PM in the UC Atrium*

Come get excited for game day with the UNO cheerleaders and basketball teams! SAC will provide supplies to create pom-poms and posters for game day. Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the time of the event* to earn attendance points for your team. Earn spirit points by participating in chants and wearing UNO attire!

Homecoming Concert

*Friday, February 16th from 8:30-11p in the Quad*

What’s a better way to celebrate UNO Homecoming than with local New Orleans artists?! With performances by the UNO Startlettes and a mystery local celebrity this event is sure to make you bounce! Food trucks will be on site to provide food and beverages. Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the time of the event* to earn attendance points for your team.
Homecoming Tailgate

*Saturday, February 17th from 12:00PM to 2:30PM at the UNO Lakefront Arena*

Enjoy free food, drinks, and inflatables outside of The Arena with the UNO community! Join the fun on Saturday and get ready for the big games! Members of your organization must check-in at the SAC table using the UNO Social app *during the event time* to earn **attendance points** for your team.

Women’s and Men’s Basketball Games

*Saturday, February 17th at 2:00PM and 4:00PM in the UNO Lakefront Arena*

The basketball games are what Homecoming is all about! For **spirit points** your team can dress in school spirit attire, cheer, chant, sing, have signs, pom-poms, foam swords and accessories- this is the time to be creative! Remember, you can earn five times (25) more spirit points at the games. The King and Queen coronation will be during the halftime of the men’s game and the winning team of each tier will be announced after.
KING AND QUEEN CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Any registered UNO student organization may sponsor ONE candidate for King and ONE candidate for Queen.

How to nominate a King/Queen:
- To sponsor a candidate, the president of the organization of which the candidate is a member must provide the proper information on the Homecoming Verification and Participation Form included at the end of this packet.
- Be sure that this is turned in by **Monday, November 20th at 4:00PM**.

Who is eligible?
- Candidates may be members of ANY organization on campus, excluding executive members of the Student Activities Council.
- Nominees must be enrolled in at least twelve hours at the time of nomination and have a 2.5 or greater cumulative GPA. All candidates’ grades will be verified at the time of the nomination.
- The candidate cannot be on academic or disciplinary probation.

Nominee Requirements
- All selected candidates must make it a priority to attend all Homecoming Events, unless restricted by their class schedule.
  - If a candidate does not attend all Homecoming events, it is at the discretion of the SAC Executive Board to deduct spirit points from that team.
- All Homecoming Court nominees must attend a meeting with the Student Activities Council Lagniappe Chair in order to go over important times and dates. The meeting will be Monday, December 4 at 3:00PM in UC 222. If you cannot attend the meeting, we can attempt to schedule a meeting with the SAC Lagniappe Chair or SAC Advisor.
- At this meeting candidates’ pictures will be taken. Please wear the 2018 Homecoming shirt and jeans.

How are the King & Queen selected?
- You will be notified on **Friday, December 1st at 4:00PM** if you were selected to be on the 2018 Homecoming Court.
  - The Court will be announced to the public on **January 17th, 2018**.
  - You’ll have winter break to plan your campaign and the five weeks of school before Homecoming to campaign.
  - You are not allowed to start campaigning until you have attended a meeting with the SAC Lagniappe Chair (Monday, December 4th) AND after the Court has been announced to the public (January 17th).
- The elections for the court shall take place **Friday, February 9th to Friday, February 16th** under the direction of the Coordinator for Campus Programs and the SAC Lagniappe Chair from. All decisions regarding the election for Homecoming Court are final.
TEAM PARTICIPATION FORM

For those nominating a King/Queen: Due Monday, November 20th at 4:00PM in UC 222
For those NOT nominating a King/Queen: Due Tuesday, January 17th at 4:00PM in UC 222

*online applications can be completed at
www.uno.edu/student-involvement-leadership/homecoming.aspx*

Name of Organization(s): __________________________________________

Team Name (If different from organization): ____________________________
(If you are a group of students forming a team without a registered organization, please attach
a list of all team members and student ID numbers to this form.)

Number of organization/team members: ______________________________

President/Contact Person: __________________________________________
Student ID #: _____________________________________________________
President/Contact Person Phone Number: _____________________________

Additional Contact Person: ___________________________ ID #: __________
Additional Phone Number: __________________________________________

Homecoming King Nomination
   · Name of King Nominee: ___________________________ ID #: __________
   · Phone Number of King Nominee: ________________________________

Homecoming Queen Nomination
   · Name of Queen Nominee: ___________________________ ID #: __________
   · Phone Number of Queen Nominee: ________________________________

Will you be able to attend the Nominee Informational meeting on Monday, December 4th at 3:00PM?
   □ Yes, I will attend.
   □ No, but I will contact you to schedule a separate meeting.

By signing this document, I verify that you have read the general and specific rules for each
competition and that they will be followed by your team. I also verify that my organization/team will
represent the University of New Orleans in a positive manner and be present at all of the 2016
Homecoming Week events.

_________________________________________  __________________________
President’s Printed Name                      President’s Signature