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Quick Facts

- The birthday bash Homecoming party on Nov. 12 will feature free food, Winthrop-themed "Fun Photos," caricaturist Bruce Stevenson, and rock band Lloyd Dobler Effect in the DiGiorgio Center ballroom.
- A new event this year with ties to the past is a Homecoming float competition for student organizations.



ROCK HILL, S.C. - Winthrop's **2010 Homecoming** festivities on Nov. 9-13 will be an extended birthday bash celebrating the university's 125 years. For the first time, all of Winthrop's more than 40,000 alumni have been invited to attend **Homecoming** events.

"In previous years, we only invited alumni from the 1980s forward," said **Debbie Garrick**, executive director of alumni relations. "Last year we invited those alumni who graduated

during the 1970s and got great response, so this year we invited everyone."

Great annual events that give people a chance to celebrate include:

- the **Homecoming Talent Show** on Nov. 10 at 8 p.m. in **Tillman Auditorium**;
- the **Homecoming party**, scheduled for Nov. 12 at 9 p.m. in the **DiGiorgio Campus Center ballroom**;
- **tailgating** and the **men's basketball game** at the **Winthrop Coliseum** against Queens University on Nov. 13 at 4 p.m.;
- and the **NPHC Step Show** held Nov. 13 at 8 p.m. in **Byrnes Auditorium**.

The birthday bash Homecoming party on Nov. 12 will feature free food, Winthrop-themed "Fun Photos," caricaturist Bruce Stevenson, and rock band Lloyd Dobler Effect in the DiGiorgio Center ballroom.

Tailgating outside the Coliseum will be cranked up a notch this year with a free concert by Southern rock band **Cravin' Melon**. Sponsored by Family Trust Federal Credit Union and the Alumni Association, the band will play on a stage behind the Coliseum from noon-3 p.m.

A new event this year with ties to the past is a **Homecoming float competition** for student organizations. Similar to a tradition in '80s and '90s, groups will construct floats on the Campus Green, next to the DiGiorgio Center on Nov. 11. The stationary floats will be available for viewing all day on Nov. 12, and judges will choose a winner to be announced at the basketball game.

Also in celebration of Homecoming, **DSU's Eagle Flicks film series** in Dina's Place within the DiGiorgio Center will present free showings of "The Other Guys" starring Will Ferrell and Mark Wahlberg at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on Nov. 13.

A [complete schedule](#) can be found online. For more information about individual events, contact Garrick at 803/323-2145.

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