

Come Home to Cullowhee
HOMECOMING 2009
Show Your Purple Pride

HOMECOMING PACKET

October 17, 2009

WCU vs The Citadel

Homecoming Theme: Purple Pride

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Homecoming Parade 2009 Friday, October 16th

One of the highlights of Homecoming activities is the Homecoming Parade. Everyone is urged to participate in this year's parade by constructing a float or developing another type of parade entry (dancers, performers, banners, etc.). **The parade begins at 6:15pm on Friday, October 16, with line-up at Mark Watson Park in Sylva beginning at 4:30pm.** There are a variety of competitive categories for floats and other entries. Cash prizes as indicated will be awarded to the winning entries.

FLOATS

Our definition of a float is any wheeled structure, motor driven or not, participating in the Parade and decorated for the purpose of displaying school spirit. There will be cash awards for the best float entries in the following categories:

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| 1. Best Greek Float | 1 st place - | \$50.00 |
| | 2 nd place - | \$30.00 |
| | 3 rd place - | \$20.00 |
| 2. Best Residence Hall Float | 1 st place - | \$50.00 |
| | 2 nd place - | \$30.00 |
| | 3 rd place - | \$20.00 |
| 3. Best Independent Float | 1 st place - | \$50.00 |
| | 2 nd place - | \$30.00 |
| | 3 rd place - | \$20.00 |

Floats will be judged by the following criteria: creativity, originality, school spirit, and participation. Judging will take place during the Parade.

NON-FLOAT

Our definition of non-float is any non-wheeled or other entry such as clowns, dancers, performers, jugglers, etc. There will be a cash award for the best non-float entry.

1. **Best Non-Float- \$50.00** *(If it does not have wheels it is a non-float entry)*

Remember: All entries must have filled out a parade entry form to be eligible to win awards. The entry form must be returned to the **UNIVERSITY CENTER INFORMATION DESK by 5:00pm on Wednesday, October 7, 2009.**

Parade line-up is at 4:30pm at Mark Watson Park in Sylva. There will be someone to check in your entry and give you your place in line. It is very important that all entries arrive on time, as the parade will start promptly at 6:15pm.

Float structures (cars and trucks included) cannot exceed 8 feet in height from ground level.

Any entry deemed unsafe will be pulled from the line-up and not allowed to participate. Items of concern include, but are not limited to, load and capacity, structural stability and height. Students are not allowed to hang off floats, vehicles, etc.!

The Parade Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry considered to be in poor taste and not in compliance with the spirit of the parade.

Alcohol will not be permitted. Any entry and participants found in violation of this guideline will be removed from the parade.

The winners will be announced during the football game on **Saturday, October 17, 2009.**

Winners should contact Kim Davis in the University Center and make arrangements to pick up prize money.

****CANDY AND OTHER ITEMS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE THROWN FROM FLOATS.** Groups may, however, have walkers passing out candy to the crowd alongside their float.

****NO BIG RIGS ALLOWED!!!**

Homecoming Parade Entry Form

DEADLINE: Form due Wednesday, October 7, 2009 by 5:00pm

Name (Group, Organization, Individual): _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone # _____

Location of Float Construction: _____

Description of Entry (**Check One**):

_____ **Float** (any wheeled entry, motor driven or not, decorated for the purpose of displaying school spirit)

_____ **Non-Float** (any non-wheeled or other entry such as clowns, dancers, performers, jugglers, etc.)

Please CHECK the category in which you wish your entry to be judged

_____ **Best Greek Float**

	1st place -	\$50.00
	2nd place -	\$30.00
	3rd place -	\$20.00

_____ **Best Residence Hall Float**

	1st place -	\$50.00
	2nd place -	\$30.00
	3rd place -	\$20.00

_____ **Best Independent Float** (any other float entry from a club, organization, or group of WCU students)

	1st place -	\$50.00
	2nd place -	\$30.00
	3rd place -	\$20.00

_____ **Best Non-Float Entry**

	1st place -	\$50.00
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Remember: Parade Line-Up is at 4:30 PM on Friday, October 16, 2009 at Mark Watson Park in Sylva.

**WCU Student Organizations must be present at the Float and Banner Building Party on Thursday, October 15 between the times of 3:00 PM and 7:00 PM to receive participation points for the Catamount Cup.

Commercial Floats are welcome but will not be eligible for Prizes

For more Information on the Parade, Contact Tim Chapman at 227-7303.

ALCOHOL WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.

No items are to be thrown from floats during the Parade; items passed out by parade walkers must be approved in advance by Parade Chairperson.

Homecoming Banner Contest

Entry Forms **MUST** be turned in to receive a blank banner

GUIDELINES:

- * First 50 clubs/organizations or individuals to register will receive a free banner 3 ft x 8 ft.
- * Blank banners will be available September 28 – October 5, 2009.
- * University departments and agencies are encouraged to enter, though not eligible for prizes.
- * Club/organization or individual must complete the registration form and return it to the UC to receive a banner.
- * Banners are to be turned in at the **UC Information Desk 2nd Floor Wednesday, October 7, by 5:00pm.**
- * Club/organization can keep their banner if they take it down after the game on **Saturday, October 17.**
- * Banners may be used for banner contest and the Homecoming parade.
- * Banners will be displayed around campus from **October 14-16.**
- * On **Saturday morning (October 17)** banners will be moved to the football stadium.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING:

- creative display of name or insignia of sponsoring club/organization
- originality (display of school spirit)
- overall appearance (color, catchy theme)
- no use of profanity or obscenities

*Prizes will be as follows:

First place	\$100.00
Second place	\$ 50.00
Third place	\$ 25.00

*Winners will be announced on **Friday, October 16** during Spirit Night.

Homecoming Banner Contest Entry Form

DEADLINE: Forms and Banners due Wednesday, October 7, by 5:00pm.

Organization's Name _____

Contact Person _____

Contact Person's Email Address _____

Contact Person's Phone Number _____

This form must be turned in to the UC Information Desk, 2nd floor, in order to pick up a blank banner.

Banners have to be in by Wednesday, October 7, by 5:00pm

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

DID GROUP RECEIVE THEIR BANNER? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

DISPLAY # _____

Homecoming Spirit Night Entry Form

DEADLINE: *Form due Thursday, October 15, by 5:00pm*

Help your team or organization win the Catamount Cup! Participate in Spirit Night 2009 on Friday, October 16, at 8:00 pm. Have your team do a cheer or other creative skit to promote school spirit for the Homecoming Game against The Citadel. Entries can be no longer than three (3) minutes each. Fill this form out and turn in by 5:00pm on October 15 at the UC Information Desk. Spirit Night will be held on the Catamount soccer/tennis athletic complex after the Homecoming Parade. Come enjoy free food and music while showing your support for the Catamount Football Team! Plus, you could win 50 participation points and if you win 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place it can go towards the total points for the Catamount Cup!

***Points earned by teams (more than one group) will be divided equally between teams.**

Name of Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone Number: _____

*Use of Profanity or obscenities will result in disqualification.

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Judging Category

1st place _____

2nd place _____

3rd place _____

Name of cheer, spirit skit, notes, etc...

Homecoming King and Queen Entry Form

DEADLINES: *Form and Photo emailed due by Monday, September 28, by 5:00pm*
 Voting for Homecoming Court – Friday, October 2, 12:01am – Sunday 11:59pm
 Final voting for King and Queen – Wednesday, October 14, 12:01am – Thursday 12:00pm

This form must be submitted by 5:00pm on Monday, September 28, to the University Center Information desk, 2nd floor. **Please email a digital photograph of the candidate to Jill Lindsay at lindsay@wcu.edu by 5:00pm on Monday, September 28.** The candidate must be a current WCU undergraduate or graduate student sponsored by an approved and/or recognized campus club or organization, or a petition must be submitted with this entry form signed by 25 or more students that want to sponsor the candidate. **Court elections will be held Friday, October 2, 12:01am to Sunday 11:59pm. King and Queen voting will occur on Wednesday, October 14, from 12:01am until Thursday at 12:00pm.** In order to be elected to the court, the candidate(s) must agree to the criteria listed below.

Student Clubs/Organizations may sponsor one King and one Queen Candidate.

Sponsoring Club/Organization _____

Club/Organization President _____ Phone Number: _____

Contact Person for Group (if submitted by a group of students)

Name _____ Phone Number: _____

Candidate Information:

King

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Queen

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

To be completed by the Candidates:

When participating in the Homecoming Court, you are representing the university. By agreeing to this honor, each candidate is expected to be on time for each activity and follow the printed schedule to be provided at the photo session on Tuesday, October 6, from 4-5pm in HFR 430.

- (1) **Each candidate must be available for photos from 4:00-5:00pm in room 430 of HFR on Tuesday, October 6.** Professional business attire is expected for the photo session. Men should wear a coat and tie.
- (2) Each candidate is required to ride the float in the Homecoming Parade on Friday evening and to be introduced at Spirit Night following the parade. Candidates again should wear conservative attire (i.e. sweaters and slacks) for the ride on the float – more comfortable attire may be worn at Spirit Night (i.e. sweatshirts and jeans).
- (3) Each candidate is required to attend the practice session on the field with the band, Saturday morning, October 17.
- (4) Each candidate is required to meet in the Hospitality Room at the Ramsey Center no later than 11:00am on October 17 (in the absence of the winning candidate, the runner-up will be crowned).
- (5) Each candidate is expected to follow the Student Code of Conduct as indicated in the Student Handbook. Any behavior contrary to the Code of Conduct may result in removal from the court or removal of the crown. The first runner-up would then fulfill the position of King or Queen. Door to door solicitation is prohibited and escort policy is in effect at all times.

I agree to abide by the conditions set forth above.

Queen Candidate Signature

Date

King Candidate Signature

Date

Float Building & Banner Making Party Entry Form

DEADLINE- Form due Wednesday, October 7, by 5:00pm

This is how it works:

On Thursday, October 15, a party will be held on the UC lawn and Coulter parking lot to build your float and make a banner for the parade. The event will start at 3:00pm and end at 7:00pm. Student organizations must sign in between 3:00pm and 7:00pm to receive points for the Catamount Cup. There will be free food and a whole lot of fun at the event!

Banners:

Make a banner to carry in the Homecoming Parade: (This does NOT include banners made for the banner contest.)

1. Your organization must be registered in the parade.
2. Supplies will be provided for anyone registered to make one (1) banner per group to carry or attach to a float.
3. Although NOT being judged officially, we ask that the banners:
 - a. Show a creative display of name or insignia of sponsoring club or group
 - b. Show originality (display of school spirit)
 - c. Show a lot of color and incorporate the theme
 - d. NO profanity or obscenities

Banners supplies will be handed out on a first-come first serve basis.

Name of Group or Organization _____

How many people attending from your organization? _____

Size of float? _____

Will you be making a (check one category): Float _____ Banner _____ Both _____

-We are not responsible for motorized vehicles or materials left overnight on the UC lawn or at Coulter parking lot.

-Any floats or materials left on the UC lawn or in Coulter parking lot will be considered abandoned.

-All float materials will be removed from the UC lawn and parking lot no later than 7:00pm on Thursday, October 16.

This form must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 7, to the University Center Information Desk 2nd Floor.

Homecoming Catamount Cup

WIN THE CATAMOUNT CUP!

Share in a Catamount tradition by participating in Catamount Cup events during Homecoming 2009! The team with the highest number of points at the end of the week will be pronounced winner of the Catamount Cup, to be presented at the Homecoming game on Saturday, October 17. Students are encouraged to register their teams to participate in the Community Service Project on Wednesday, October 14, the Banner Contest; the Float Building Party and Catamount Games on Thursday, October 15; the Homecoming Parade on Friday, October 16; and doing a skit at Spirit Night following the parade on Friday night. A points system has been established to award points for each Homecoming event which will be added together at the end of Homecoming week for a grand total.

The points system is as follows:

Banner Contest	40 participation points
Service Project	50 participation points
Float Party	20 participation points
Homecoming Parade	40 participation points
Spirit Night (Skit)	50 participation points
Catamount Games	20 participation points

The Banner Contest, Homecoming Float, Catamount Games, and Skits at Spirit Night will then be judged to determine 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places.

- 1st place teams will receive an additional 50 points
- 2nd place teams will receive an additional 40 points
- 3rd place teams will receive an additional 30 points

At the end of the week, all points for each team will be totaled and the winner of the Catamount Cup will be announced at halftime during the Homecoming game on October 17!

Good Luck in your pursuit of the 2009 **Catamount Cup!**

****Points earned by teams (more than one group) will be divided equally.***

Catamount Games Entry Form

DEADLINE- Form due Wednesday, October 7, by 5:00pm

In conjunction with Float building & banner making, Thursday, October 15, the Catamount Games will be held on the UC lawn and green space next to the CRC. The event will start at 5:00pm and end at 7:00pm. Student organizations must participate in all events to receive points for the Catamount Cup. There will be free food and a whole lot of fun at the event!

Games include:

Bocce Ball

Darts

Volleyball

Cornhole/Baggo

Tug-O-War

Name of Group or Organization _____

How many people attending from your organization*? _____

*You must have at least 10 people to participate

Please see the Homecoming Website for a list of rules and scoring for the Catamount Games.

This form must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 7, to the University Center Information Desk 2nd Floor.