

Rocky Mountain Tiger Newsletter

Mizzou Celebrates 175th Anniversary



Mizzou celebrated its founding 175 years ago on February 11th, 2014, which marked the start of a year celebration of this milestone.

For more information on the 175th celebration and the upcoming events the University has in store, visit [the Mizzou website](#).

Interested in getting Involved?

The Rocky Mountain Tigers Chapter is led by a group of local alumni volunteers who volunteer their time and talent to help plan events and support Mizzou in the area. There are several positions for the 2014-2015 Leadership Board for those interested in getting more involved. Please contact Danny Collins, Chapter President, with questions.

Year in Review: 2013-2014

Mizzou Night with Laura Ling

On May 12th, the Rocky Mountain Tigers and Missouri School of Journalism hosted a special event in Denver in partnership with Unique Live and Experiences. Special discounted tickets to a presentation by Laura Ling were made available to Journalism graduates in the greater Denver area.

Ling was apprehended in North Korea during an assignment on human trafficking issues in the isolated nation in 2009. She served months of a 12-year sentence in a labor camp before her release was secured by former President Bill Clinton. Before the show, attending Tigers had a special opportunity to meet Ms. Ling (pictured).



Rocky Mountain Tigers pose for a picture with Laura Ling prior to her presentation to a packed auditorium at the Denver Performing Arts Center.

In addition to Lisa Ling's presentation, alumni and guests attended a private reception with Dean Mills, dean of the Missouri School of Journalism and the longest-serving dean at the University. Mills will retire in August 2015 after 25 years of service.

This event shows the continued support and collaboration the Rocky Mountain Tigers have continued to have with various Schools and Colleges from Mizzou. We appreciate the School of Journalism's sponsorship for this event!

Local Alum Receives Outstanding Teaching Award

Dr. Brandon Vogt (BS'92), an assistant teaching professor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Studies at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs, received the 2014 Outstanding Teaching Award. Congrats to our fellow Tiger!

Do you know of a local Mizzou alum who has received an award or recognition you want to share? Let us know!



Stay up to date with the Rocky Mountain Tigers

Mizzou alumni, friends and fans have several ways they can stay connected to Mizzou in Colorado:

FACEBOOK



Find us on facebook by joining our group at www.facebook.com/RockyMtnTigersAlumni.

TWITTER



Find us on Twitter at @MileHighTigers

LINKED IN



Connect with fellow Tigers through our LinkedIn group, Rocky Mountain Tigers.

WEBSITE

All of our events, and activities, past newsletters and photos from the latest RMT happenings are available on our web page. Visit us at www.rockymountaintigers.org.

Mizzou Students in Colorado

Denver is not only a popular destination for new graduates, but the city has become a host to many current students and student programs as well. This spring, two student programs visited Colorado:

MIZZOU ALTERNATE BREAKS

Every year, thousands of Mizzou students choose to use their winter and spring breaks helping others through the Mizzou Alternative Breaks (MAB) program. Mizzou has one of the largest alternative break programs in the country, and this year MAB sent 840 students on 69 trips located throughout the country to volunteer in local communities. Three groups visited Colorado this March, volunteering at sites in Breckenridge, Denver and Aurora.

On the final night of the students' trip, our chapter leadership attended a dinner

with one of the student groups, hosted by their volunteer location Habitat for Humanity. Thank you to the many students who volunteered to help our local community!

Students who participate in the Mizzou Alternative Break program must raise

funds to cover the cost of their trip and to secure housing and food during their service trip. If you are interested in helping sponsor, host or support a group of MAB students, please let us know so we can connect you.



CORNELL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM GROUP VISIT



The Trulaske College of Business Cornell Leadership Program (CLP) comprises the top 1% of business students in the College. In addition to leadership courses, case studies, and attending lectures by guest speakers, CLP travels to visit companies and business leaders across the country. A group visited Denver in March to meet with local business leaders, including a visit to the Denver Nuggets arena.

Chapter Awards Scholarships to Area Seniors Headed to Mizzou

This year, the Rocky Mountain Tigers were able to award three academic scholarships to area Colorado seniors who will be freshmen at Mizzou this fall. We are proud to recognize Alyssa Hehemann, Lindsey Jenkins and Katherine Parkins as our alumni scholars this year.

Awards are based on academic performance, campus involvement and community service, the Rocky Mountain Tigers awarded three students scholarships

As Mizzou Alumni Association members, part of your membership supports scholarships for local students to attend Mizzou. Additional funds from events and activities the chapter hosts throughout the year help support the next generation of Tigers from the chapter area.

As a capstone chapter, which is the highest level of achievement a chapter can attain, the Rocky Mountain Tigers earn a \$4,000 scholarship to award each year on top of

additional funds we raise through events. This year's recipient of the \$4,000 scholarship is Alyssa Hehemann, who is studying speech and language pathology at Mizzou.

Congratulations to all of our well-deserving scholarship recipients, and we wish the best of luck to all of our future Tigers during their time at Mizzou!



Alyssa Hehemann, RMT Alumni Scholar

Meet Your Rocky Mountain Tiger Board: Member Spotlight Rusty Martin



Where are you originally from?
Sedalia, MO

MU Degree and Major:
BS CE'84 (Civil Engineering)

When did you move to Colorado?
Fall of 2007 from Houston, Texas.

Favorite Place in Columbia:
Wow, that's a hard one. So many! Let's go with Booches Billiard Hall. A Columbia downtown institution with awesome burgers and beer.

Favorite thing about living in Colorado:
Wow, that's an even harder one. But let's go with having Red Rocks right in our backyard.



Involvement with the Rocky Mountain Tigers:

Currently serving on the board as treasurer and will be the incoming president for 2014-2015.

Where can we find you during a Mizzou football game?

I have season tickets and make it back to Columbia for all of our home football games. So if I'm not at Faurot Field, I am cheering along with fellow Tiger fans at The Whiskey Bar in downtown Denver.