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## Alumni Activities

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# Furman alumni news

## Alumni College wants you!

When I was a student . . .

“ . . . We had to eat gross green veggies and mystery meat in the dining hall.”

“ . . . We had to live in little tiny dorm rooms or nasty apartments on the other side of the railroad tracks.”

“ . . . We had to walk three miles uphill in the snow.”

“Oh, I wish I were a student at Furman now!”

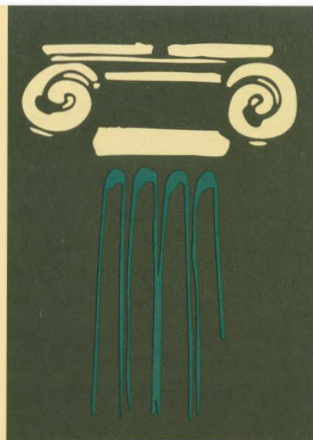
Are you one of those folks who wishes you could be a Furman student today so that you could enjoy the benefits of the spectacularly renovated University Center, beautiful, roomy North Village apartments, and delicious dining hall food — or, at the least, more culinary options and less mystery meat?

Well, now's your chance! You can relive your college days through Alumni College, an educational vacation for lifelong students.

This summer, from June 28 through July 1, alumni, parents and friends are invited back to Furman for a long weekend of lectures, discussions, presentations and inspiring exchanges with professors and classmates alike. Call it a fantasy camp for lifelong learning.

Participants will stay in North Village and attend a specially designed series of classes and lectures, taught by Furman faculty, focusing on “The New South.” They will choose among classes from two academic tracks: literature and the humanities or the social and natural sciences. A complete schedule is available on the Furman Web site at [www.furman.edu/newssouth](http://www.furman.edu/newssouth).

I am co-chairing Alumni College with Lloyd Benson, professor of



history. The weekend will feature some of your favorite Furman professors and introduce you to a whole cast of great talent among the Furman faculty. It offers you the chance to relive the days of lectures, papers and pop quizzes — but without the stress.

It's not just an academic experience, though. Among the extracurricular highlights are an outing to see Greenville's resident comedy troupe, Cafe and Then Some (specializing in irreverent Southern humor), and a graduation celebration at White Oaks, home of David and Susan Shi, Furman's First Couple.

The cost for the Alumni College experience is \$375 per person, which includes meals, lodging and entertainment. You'll enjoy a delicious menu of Southern cuisine, prepared and catered by the dining hall staff. You can relive dorm life by staying in an apartment with fellow classmates. You'll also have homework assignments — but no final exams!

For more information, contact the Alumni Association. We hope you'll plan to join us for an in-depth look at the New South during the inaugural session of Furman's Alumni College program.

— Shannon Wilkerson Wilson '93  
*Director, Alumni Association*

## ALUMNI ACTIVITIES

**Furman Alumni Association telephone**  
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### Alumni Association offers travel options

It's time to start planning your vacation — and what could be better than a trip planned and orchestrated by Furman?

You can join Furman friends on a journey to any of these wonderful destinations:

**Cruise the Rhine, August 22–30:** Follow the Rhine River from Bonn, Germany, through the wine country and into the Black Forest. This cruise offers a wonderful opportunity to see some beautiful countryside. Through this Alumni College program, you will visit a variety of cathedrals and castles and learn not only about Germany's past, but about its current political structure and position in the European Union.

**Top o' the mornin'! Ireland, September 19–27:** Catch a glimpse of the rich history of County Clare through this Alumni College program that also will feature a wealth of Irish music and dance, plus an in-depth look at the great Irish famine, the Aran Islands and more.

**Italian Lake District, September 24–October 2:** This area of northern Italy boasts flowering landscapes and magnificent vistas. In this Alumni College program, you will examine the Italian Renaissance, study the great Italian composers, and enjoy the beauty of Lake Como, Milan and surrounding areas.

For costs and additional information, contact the Alumni Association.

### Furman Club parade marches on

Furman Clubs across the country continue to maintain a busy schedule of activities.

On February 13, the New York club welcomed alumni director Shannon Wilson and Carol Daniels of the student services staff to a reception, and on February 17 the Atlanta club enjoyed its annual Winter Gala. On March 3, the Southern California Furman Club turned out to watch the Furman softball team take on San Diego State and Boston College.

In recent months, folks in Atlanta participated in “Hands-on Atlanta Day,” while the Derby City Club in Louisville, Ky., helped to restore a YMCA camp as an extension of last year's nationwide May Day Play Day event.

In December the Charleston club enjoyed its fifth Winter Gala at the Governor's House Inn, and the Kansas City club rang in the holidays with a dinner.