Dear Families and Friends,

Fall is an exciting time to be on the Radford University campus. We are eager to invite you to the 2015 Family Weekend, October 16-18. Family Weekend is a unique and valuable opportunity to experience the place, the people and the feel of your student’s academic home.

The RU faculty, staff and students will showcase the university community’s many educational, cultural and social opportunities with engaging activities, such as open houses in each of the colleges to meet the faculty and tours of our facilities. We are proud of the Student Recreation and Wellness Center as well as our most recent addition to campus, the Student Outdoor Recreation Complex, both of which serve the wellness needs of our student body. The Center for the Sciences will join them soon as another jewel in the Radford University campus-scape and a place for learning and growth.

Family Weekend will feature a range of cultural and educational events like dance and theatre performances, the Appalachian Folk Arts Festival and planetarium shows. For some NCAA college sports action, watch Highlander student-athletes compete in volleyball and soccer or take part in the 5K Family Fun Run along the New River.

I look forward to talking with many of you in person at the “Conversation with the President” on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the Covington Center for Visual and Performing Arts. Coffee, tea and a light breakfast will be provided.

The four-legged members of your family are welcome as well. We are eager to meet them at Saturday afternoon’s dog show, a special part of this family weekend.

Please don’t leave campus Sunday without enjoying the delicious brunch our chefs will prepare just for you, our special guests. And, if you missed the sale on Saturday, browse the latest Radford University gear and apparel at the RU Bookstore before you end the weekend.

The enclosed brochure features more about these events and the registration process. Your family’s support plays a vital role in the success of your student at Radford University. Please join your Highlander and the rest of the university community for this important and fun weekend.

With warm regards,

Penelope W. Kyle
President
Friday, October 16

Noon - 7 p.m.
Registration/Check-in and Raffle
Hurlburt Student Center Lobby
Come by “The Bonnie” to register and pick up your very own “RU” personalized, free gift.

7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. ☑
Radford University Bookstore
Dalton Hall (lower level)
Stop by to replenish your RU wardrobe or get a new Highlanders coffee mug. Don’t forget the discount coupon from check-in: 25% off one school spirit item!

2-8 p.m. ☑
Recreation and Wellness Center Tours
Student Recreation and Wellness Center
Enjoy a self-guided tour or work out with your student at Radford’s newest building, the state-of-the-art Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

4-6 p.m.
Family Weekend Reception and Faculty Mini-Lectures
College of Business and Economics (COBE)
You and your student are invited to attend a reception in the statuesque COBE building that will feature a series of faculty mini-lectures on trending business topics. Meet your student’s favorite professors and see what they have to say about today’s business world.

5:30-8 p.m.
Family Weekend Kick-Off Buffet Banquet $
Muse Grill House
Tickets required. See order form.
Check out one of your student’s many campus dining options at one of our most popular dining facilities. Our student waitstaff will assist you while you enjoy a full buffet and the sounds of student musicians. Visit www.radford.edu/ familyweekend for menu.
7-9 p.m.
Women’s Volleyball vs. Coastal Carolina
Dedmon Center Complex
Sponsored by RU Athletics
Go, Highlanders! Cheer on the Lady Highlanders as they take the court against Coastal Carolina.

7:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. 🎠
Family Time in the Game Room/ Rock and Bowl
Hurlburt Student Center Game Room
Free
Sponsored by the Game Room
Enjoy a game of billiards or bowling.

7:30 p.m.
Fall Dance Fest ’15 $
Bondurant Auditorium
Preston Hall
Sponsored by the School of Dance and Theatre
Tickets required. See order form.
The Radford University School of Dance and Theatre presents an evening of dance that will feature original choreography by faculty members Deborah McLaughlin, Inessa Plekhanova, Amy VanKirk and danah bella. Fall Dance Fest will present a wide variety of dance genres including modern, classical ballet, jazz and innovative hybrid forms.

7:30 p.m.
Play Performance: “The Waiting Room,” by Lisa Loomer $
Pridemore Playhouse
Porterfield Hall
Sponsored by the School of Dance and Theatre
Tickets required. See order form.
What do a fading Jersey party girl, a Victorian doctor’s wife and a feudal Chinese bride have in common. Find out as they meet in that great “equalizer,” the waiting room. “The Waiting Room” is playwright Lisa Loomer’s imaginative and fearless examination of medical ethics, societal expectations and the ageless quest for ideal physical beauty.

8-10 p.m.
Movie: “Avengers: Age of Ultron” $
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium
Sponsored by R-SPaCE
General $2, RU Students free
Saturday, October 17

8 a.m. - 2 p.m. ⚫
Registration/Check-in and Raffle
Hurlburt Student Center Lobby
Come by “The Bonnie” to register and pick up your very own personalized Radford University gift.

9 a.m. - 6 p.m. ⚫
Radford University Bookstore
Dalton Hall (lower level)
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9 a.m. - 8 p.m. ⚫
Self-Guided Tours of the Student Recreation and Wellness Center
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Enjoy a self-guided tour or work out with your student at Radford’s newest building, the state-of-the-art Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

10 a.m. - Noon
5K Family Fun Run by the River $*
* Check in from 9-10 a.m.
$5 at check-in; complimentary t-shirt included
Bisset Park: Shelter #2
Sponsored by Student Recreation and Wellness
Enjoy the fall beauty of the New River with a morning run along its banks. Light refreshments will be provided.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. ⚫
Self-Guided Tours of Academic Buildings
Walk through a day in the life of your student by visiting Radford University’s academic buildings, classrooms and laboratories. All academic buildings will be open.
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 30th Annual Appalachian Folk Arts Festival
Heth Lawn (rain location: Heth Hall – Rooms 014, 016, 022)
Sponsored by the Appalachian Events Committee
Join family, friends and alumni for the Appalachian Folk Arts Festival, a Family Weekend tradition that includes arts and crafts for purchase, folk music and more.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Greenhouse Tours
Reed Hall
Sponsored by the Biology Department
Enjoy a tour of Radford University’s Greenhouse, which maintains a diverse living collection of plants that demonstrates ecological concepts and educates about culturally important plants throughout the world.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Tabletop Trebuchet Demonstration
Reed Hall Lawn
Sponsored by the Math Club
Witness the wonders of trigonometry in everyday life as a floating-arm trebuchet launches small, soft projectiles and lands them with pinpoint precision. Demonstrations every 15 minutes.

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Forensic Science Institute Tours
Preston Hall Annex
Sponsored by the Anthropology Department
Meet faculty and learn about the unique, hands-on training that prepares students for careers in a variety of forensic medico-legal settings.
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Painted Songs and Stories: Contemporary Gond Art from India
Covington Center, Art Museum
Sponsored by the Art Department
Colorful myths come alive in this first American exhibition of contemporary narrative arts by central India’s Gond tribals. In “The Jungle Book,” Rudyard Kipling describes the Gonds as “…the oldest race in India — the aboriginal owners of the land.” Since the early 1980s, they have been depicting their sacred lore in modern media — including acrylic paintings, ink drawings, and animation.

10:30-11:30 a.m.
Faculty Lecture
Young Hall 305
Sponsored by the College of Human and Behavioral Sciences
Join Dr. Paige Tan, chair of the political science department, for an open lecture entitled “India as a Superpower.”

10:30 a.m. - Noon
Conversation with the President
Covington Hall Lobby
Sponsored by the President’s Office
Hear the latest university updates and plans for the future in a state-of-the-university address from President Kyle, followed by a question-and-answer session with the audience. Coffee and a light breakfast will be served.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
A Different Perspective: “A Guided Tour of Art”
Sculpture Garden, Porterfield Hall
Sponsored by the Art Department
Explore the campus through indoor and outdoor art with an art department faculty member.

Noon - 4 p.m.
Mini Golf in the Stacks
McConnell Library
Sponsored by the Library Staff
Come to McConnell to play a game of miniature golf library-style!

12:30-1:30 p.m.
Study Abroad Information Session
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium
Sponsored by International Education
Join RU International Education Director Dr. Paul Currant for a trip “around the world.” Find out about the many study-abroad programs and options available to your student.
1-2 p.m.
**Family Weekend Dog Show** *
*Pre-registration begins at noon.
Hurlburt Student Center Plaza
_Sponsored by the Department of Student Activities_

We like to offer something for every member of the family, four-legged ones included. See what tricks our canine friends have up their doggie-sweater sleeves!

1-3 p.m.
**Bowling Tournament** $ *
Hurlburt Student Center Game Room
_Sponsored by the Hurlburt Student Center Game Room_

Registration required. See order form. Team up with your student and try your hand at bowling. Prizes will be awarded. $5.00 per team; two individuals per team.

1-4 p.m. 🗓
**Campus Tours**
_Sponsored by RU Outdoors_

Get a peripheral view of the entire campus and visit our new intramural sports complex located on Main Street. RU Outdoors student staff will take you for your own personal tour around campus. RU vans can be boarded in Hurlburt Student Center Parking Lot AA.

1-7 p.m.
**Planetarium Shows** *
*Pick up free tickets to the show at the Hurlburt Student Center Family Weekend registration table.
Reed/Curie Room B43
_Sponsored by the Physics Department_

Ever wonder what it’s like to have a vertical leap that eclipses Michael Jordan’s? Come watch the “Great Planet Adventures” and see what it’s like to jump in zero-gravity, snow-mobile through the snowbanks of Pluto, glide over the hydrocarbon lakes of Titan and much more.

Show times are 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. Space is limited.
2-3 p.m.
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Preston Hall
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2-5 p.m. 🎉
Alumni and Family Village
Moffett Quad
Have a conversation with the dean of your student’s college, or peak into some of the alumni activities, like the Lacrosse Alumni Game.

4-5 p.m.
Fall Fashion Show
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium
*Sponsored by the Department of Fashion and Interior Design
Student designers will display their creations on the runway.

4-6 p.m.
Women’s Volleyball vs.
Charleston Southern
Dedmon Center Complex
*Sponsored by the Athletic Department
Go, Lady Highlanders! Come cheer the women’s volleyball team to victory.

6-8 p.m.
Men’s Soccer vs. High Point
Cupp Stadium
*Sponsored by the Athletic Department
Cheer on the Highlanders as they take the field against High Point.

7:30 p.m. - 1 a.m. 🎉
Family Time in the Game Room/ Rock and Bowl
Hurlburt Student Center Game Room
Free
*Sponsored by the Game Room
Fun for all ages! Enjoy a game of bowling or billiards with family and friends.
7:30-8:30 p.m.  
Comedian/Magician Daniel Martin $ *  
Bondurant Auditorium  
Preston Hall  
Sponsored by R-SPaCE  
Tickets required. See order form.  
Daniel Martin has quickly become one of the most in-demand entertainers in the nation. His high-energy blend of incredible magic and sarcastic improv consistently leads to standing ovations.

8-10 p.m.  
Movie: “Avengers: Age of Ultron” $  
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium  
Sponsored by R-SPaCE  
General $2, RU Students free

9:15 p.m.  
National Pan-Hellenic Council  
StompFest Step Show $ *  
Preston Hall, Bondurant Auditorium  
Sponsored by Radford University NPHC  
General $8, RU Students free  
To purchase tickets, go to www.radford.edu/homecoming.  
Tickets can be picked up at the Hurlburt Student Center information office until 10/16/15.  
Don’t miss roll call! Watch student and alumni groups step it out to see who will take home the top prize.
9-10 a.m.  
Catholic Mass  
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium  
*Sponsored by the Catholic Student Association*

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
The Highlander Family Weekend Brunch $  
Dalton Dining Hall  
*Tickets required. See order form.*

Have brunch with your student before you head for home. Enjoy a carving station, made-to-order omelets, breakfast and lunch entrées, and more. For a full menu, go to www.radford.edu/familyweekend.

11 a.m. - Noon  
Interdenominational Service  
Hurlburt Student Center Auditorium  
*Sponsored by Campus Ministries (RUCM)*

Dr. Irvin Clark, dean of students and associate vice president for student affairs, will be the guest speaker.

9 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Radford University Bookstore  
Dalton Hall (lower level)  
Stop by to replenish your RU wardrobe or get a new Highlanders coffee mug. Don’t forget the discount coupon from check-in: 25% off one school spirit item!
ON-CAMPUS DINING OPTIONS

FRIDAY
“The Bonnie” Food Court
Chick-fil-A  7:30 a.m. - 1 a.m.
Hissho Sushi  11 a.m. - 2 a.m.
Pinkberry  11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Starbucks  7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Wild Greens  11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Dalton Terrace Shops
Au Bon Pain  7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Dalton-To-Go  10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Papa Johns  11 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Wendy’s  11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Dalton Kitchen
Breakfast  7 - 10:30 a.m.
Lunch  11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Dinner  4:15 - 7:15 p.m.

SATURDAY
“The Bonnie” Food Court
Chick-fil-A  8 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Hissho Sushi  Noon - 2 a.m.
Pinkberry  11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Starbucks  8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Wild Greens  Noon - 1 a.m.

Dalton Terrace Shops
Dalton-To-Go  10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Wendy’s  Noon - 8 p.m.

Dalton Kitchen
Brunch  10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Dinner  4:15 - 7:15 p.m.

SUNDAY
“The Bonnie” Food Court
Hissho Sushi  Noon - Midnight
Pinkberry  11 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Starbucks  8 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Wild Greens  Noon - Midnight

Dalton Terrace Shops
Dalton-To-Go  10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Dalton Kitchen
Brunch  9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Dinner  4:15 - 7:15 p.m.