



O CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

HOMEcoming 2013



We are so excited for this year's homecoming and we hope that you are too. Here is a welcome from our homecoming co-chairs:

Dear students, alumni, and friends of Concordia,

For the 2013-2014 school year, we have chosen the theme O Captain, My Captain. This was inspired by the Bible verse for the school year, Matthew 5:16, that speaks of letting our light shine. One thing led to another, and all of the sudden, we had Walt Whitman's iconic poem as the underlying motif for Homecoming. A nautical style slipped seamlessly into the festivities, providing thought provoking symbols such as an anchor, the Captain of a ship, and a lighthouse.

Whitman's poem mourns the death of a faithful Captain after a long and treacherous voyage, yet the victory is won. As Christians, we can draw many similarities to the Christ-figure in this poem. However, something even greater can be attributed to our Captain, that is Jesus, who rose from his death and defeated the grave, sin, and Satan. It is this saving grace, this anchor of hope, which allows us to shine with good works and give glory to our Father. We become a beacon when we share the Gospel; whether that be through spoken word or the smallest act of kindness. So enjoy this Homecoming, knowing that when Christ claimed you as his own in the waters of your baptism, he made you into a light to guide others while crossing the stormy seas of this world before we finally arrive home.

In Christ,

Naomi Kuddes and Matthias Wollberg

Homecoming Co-Chairs

Here is the schedule of events:

Sunday, October 6th- Revealing: Project Homecoming 9:30pm Janzow Street

After voting all last week, find out who the 10 members of the homecoming court are. **VOTE FOR YOUR WINNER ALL WEEK IN THE CAFETERIA FROM 11AM-1PM.**

Monday, October 7th- Pajama Day (make sure it's appropriate)

Tuesday, October 8th- Mismatch Day

There will be a campus wide competition for your best outfit (3 categories: mismatchedest, cleverest, and subtlest). Throughout the day you can go to either the Student Life Office or the Education/DCE office and have your picture taken to be considered for the contest. We will also offer the opportunity to have your picture taken before/after chapel by the baptismal font outside of chapel. Awards will be given on Friday at the Pep Rally.

Wednesday, October 9th- Dress your best.....easy to understand

Thursday, October 10th- Hometown Day

We all come from so many places so represent your home state by wearing gear from there. Join the homecoming committee and connect with other students from your home state with a reception from 6-8pm on the lawn outside of the Science building where we will be taking group pictures by states and/or neighboring states. Here is the schedule:

6:15 pm- Nebraska

6:30pm- Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, and Georgia

6:45pm Colorado, Utah, New Mexico

7:00pm- Arizona, Nevada, California, Hawaii, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska

7:15pm- Montana, North & South Dakota, Wyoming, Minnisorta, and Wisconsin

7:30pm- Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, Kansas, and Missouri

7:45pm- Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, North & South Carolina, New Jersey

Friday, October 11th- Bulldog Pride Day

Although we come from different places, let's celebrate being united as CONCORDIA BULLDOGS and wear your CU gear. Join **Friday** night at **Walz Stadium** at **9pm** for the **Pep Rally**. We will cheer on the football, soccer, and volleyball teams to victory!

Saturday, October 12th- Homecoming Fair 10am-12pm PE Gym Building

Join us in the old gym for a fair with booths filled with different activities, music, and a dunking booth with faculty, staff, and community leaders who have volunteered to be dunked!!!

After all of that, cut loose and dance the night away from **9pm-12am** at the **JCC Cattle Conference Room** with live jazz music from Concordia Jazz Ensemble from 9-10pm and then *Vintage Audio* will be the dj for the rest of the night.