

Update from the  
**Alumni  
Association**



**David Kerns**



**T**he “Fourth at the Fort” Alumni party will be held on Friday, July 4th starting at 6:00 PM on the McPherson chapel lawn....facing west for an incredible view of the town and the fireworks. This year marks the second year of the event and our plan is to make the gathering bigger and better, including bringing the Stillwater Foundation’s 8-piece ensemble to the rim to play for the crowd. This year’s menu will be giant turkey legs, corn on the cob, foot-long corn dogs, and Ska pints - all for a simple \$3-per-item donation to FLC! Last year’s event was a tremendous success and this year will make it a tradition. Bring your friends and family. All we require is that at least one person in your group attended Fort Lewis College. Questions? JC Perteet, Alumni Engagement Specialist is running the show this year. Contact her at [Perteet\\_J@fortlewis.edu](mailto:Perteet_J@fortlewis.edu) or call/text her at 970.946.0355.

The first ever alumni trip down the Grand Canyon launches on Monday, June 30th for an eight-day voyage down the entire length of the river. Among the 26 participants will be Fort Lewis College Geosciences professors Gary Gianniny and Ray Kenny. The Grand Canyon is going to be our classroom for the trip and will be a one-of-a-kind alumni trip. Based on the success of this trip we may be trying to do other adventurous alumni trips (Hawaii maybe, or how about Alaska?). We will post photos from the Grand Canyon trip on the Alumni Facebook page.

This month, Margie Deane Gray, who has been helming the ship of Advancement for Fort Lewis College for more than six years, will be transitioning from her post to take on the role of a Senior Gift Officer. Margie has provided tremendous guidance to Alumni Relations and has made a positive difference for FLC alumni in countless ways. Luckily we will still draw upon her guidance in the years to come.

The Fort Lewis College Alumni office is strengthening traditions and launching some new ones in the month of July. We hope that you will be able to join us!

See you up on the rim,

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