September 12, 2011

Dear Colleagues:

In keeping with longstanding University tradition, all members of the University community are invited to gather to celebrate the University's 218th birthday on University Day, Wednesday, October 12 at 11:00 a.m. in Memorial Hall. The celebration commemorates the laying of the cornerstone of Old East and the official founding of the University. To encourage University-wide participation, classes are suspended between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

This year's guest speaker is Thomas W. Ross, Sr., President of the University of North Carolina system.


I hope that if you've not previously taken the opportunity to join the faculty procession on University Day you'll do so this year and bring a colleague with you.

The academic processional will assemble at the Old Well beginning at 10:30 a.m. Faculty are asked to wear their academic regalia. Faculty who lack regalia but wish to join the procession may do so and sit together with us in reserved seats. In case of rain, participants will assemble on the first floor of Phillips Hall.

Full information about the ceremony is available on the University Day Web site at http://www.unc.edu/universityday/.

Come help us celebrate University Day 2011!

Sincerely,

Jan Boxill
Chair of the Faculty

Valerie Ashby
Faculty Marshal