



# Rebel Alumni Newsletter

## Alumni Events

Spring Alumni Game

When: Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> @  
5:00 PM

Where: Peter Johann  
Memorial Field

Bring your family and  
friends!!

## Spring Highlights

Saturday, Feb. 29<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

UNLV vs. SUU

Peter Johann Memorial Field

Saturday, April 11th at 7pm

UNLV vs. Argentina

Peter Johann Memorial Field

Dear UNLV Alumni,

We are thrilled to begin this new chapter in UNLV women's soccer together with you! We know that the role of our alumni is a vital component to our future success as a program. The rich history and memories from our time as REBELS should continue to be celebrated. It is our hope that by combining both past and present together we can not only strengthen the program, but also strengthen ourselves all while growing our REBEL family. As a staff, we have made a commitment to set the standard for alumni engagement at UNLV. We may be biased, but we do have the best alumni and the Vegas Valley needs to know it, it's time to reconnect! Join us as we establish our team culture this spring and set expectations for summer.



Relive preseason, as we prepare for fall, and walk with us as we begin this journey!

Let's go REBELS!

Jenny Ruiz Williams, Jenna Olson (Huff), & Kayley Sullivan



## Rebel with a Cause



Desiree Latu (Kelly) is a rebel alumni who played from 2001-2004. She currently resides in Virginia Beach with her husband and 4 children. She has started a non-profit organization called Moms on a Mission. Read below to see how Desiree is impacting her community and what Moms on a Mission is all about.

**Moms on a Mission: We are a group of local women who donate laundry baskets full of household items to families moving out of homeless shelters into permanent housing.**

**It all started with a girl's night out and a desire to teach our children to value others, appreciate what they have and give back to the community. This led us to brainstorm how we can do this on an ongoing basis, not only Christmas and holidays.**

**Most families leaving a shelter have nothing to bring with them, not even a blanket, so this would be their jump start until they get on their feet.**

**Start small, leave a lasting impact.**

**Since April 2018 - we've already donated over 10 pack n plays, 10 mothers day pamper gifts, 10 Easter baskets, 20 Christmas bags, 20 shelter kits, 28 first day of school outfits, and over 100 fully packed baskets for families moving out!**

- Click the link to see how to donate and check out their website!

<https://www.momsonamissionva.org/get-involved>

- See what people are saying about Moms on a Mission:

<https://hamptonroads.myactivechild.com/blog/moms-on-a-mission-volunteer-opportunities-for-families/>

If any alumni would like to share information to put in the newsletter please contact Jenna Olson at [jenna.olson@unlv.edu](mailto:jenna.olson@unlv.edu). We would love to see what you are all up to and highlight your achievements post playing career!

## Rebel Spotlight



Robin is a senior from Garner, North Carolina who is majoring in Kinesiological sciences. Robin's goal is to pursue nursing after her playing career. She is aspiring to get her ABSN in pediatrics, anesthesiology, or health care administration. Come out and cheer her on this spring and fall!

## A Big Welcome To The Alumni Team



CLASS OF 2019

## How to Give to Women's Soccer

If you are interested in giving back to the women's soccer program through donation then you can click on the link below which allows for a sports specific gift.

[https://ev2.evenue.net/www/ev\\_unlv/ss/ev/DonationEntry?donationCd=SSP&siteId=ev\\_unlv&locale=en\\_US&linkID=unlv](https://ev2.evenue.net/www/ev_unlv/ss/ev/DonationEntry?donationCd=SSP&siteId=ev_unlv&locale=en_US&linkID=unlv)