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Falcon Athletics to host National Girls and Women in Sports Day luncheon

January 20, 2017--The University of Wisconsin-River Falls Athletics Department will host a National Girls and Women in Sports Day Luncheon on Wednesday, Feb. 8, at 11 a.m. at Junior's Bar and Grill in River Falls. The event will feature keynote speaker Karyn Bye Dietz.

Bye Dietz is a two-time Olympian and eight-time member of the U.S. Women's National Team and was inducted into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame in 2014. Bye Dietz is a River Falls native and played collegiate hockey at the University of New Hampshire.

"We are very excited to introduce this annual event to celebrate girls and women in sports," said Interim Athletic Director [Crystal Lanning](#). "To have Karyn Bye Dietz join us for the first event is very special."

The cost to participate is \$15 per person and includes lunch (Chicken Caesar wrap with mixed green salad, assorted dessert bars, and ice tea). The registration deadline is February 1. To register for the event, visit www.uwrf.edu/Alumni/UWRFAthleticsNationalGirlsandWomeninSportsDayLuncheon.cfm. Proceeds will benefit the UWRF Women's Athletics Foundation.

This event is one of more than 1,000 events taking place across the country for National Girls and Women in Sports Day. Congress has proclaimed this national day each year since 1987. The day is devoted to recognizing the progress of girls and women in sports and the benefits that sports and fitness activities can bring to the lives of all girls and women. The day is organized nationally by the NGWSD Coalition. To learn more, visit www.NGWSD.org.

UWRF Athletics will continue their celebration of National Girls and Women in Sports Day that evening as the Falcon women's basketball team hosts UW-Stout at 7 p.m. in Karges Center.

For more information, contact the UWRF Athletics office at 715-425-3900 or athletics@uwrf.edu.

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