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Alumni News and Notes from Western Illinois University

Signature academic programs at Western

From offering bachelor's degrees in forensic chemistry to housing one of the largest law enforcement programs of its kind in the nation to providing the first Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre program at an Illinois public institution, Western Illinois University offers a number of standout undergraduate programs.

Noted for their size, unique area of concentration for undergraduate students, Centennial Honors Program opportunities, demand for graduates and accessibility—including the University's sports broadcasting program, which provides hands-on experience from day one—Western's signature programs have garnered recognition for the graduates they produce, noted Admissions Director **Andy Borst**.

"These programs are just a few examples from Western's broad spectrum of academic majors and programs, which includes 66 undergraduate degree options," Borst added.

Signature Academic Programs at Western Illinois University include:

- Accountancy
- Agriculture
- Biology
- Engineering
- Forensic Chemistry
- Law Enforcement & Justice Administration
- Musical Theatre
- Nursing
- Recreation, Park & Tourism Administration
- Sports Broadcasting
- Supply Chain Management
- Teacher Education

WIU to increase admissions standards

Beginning with the Fall 2014 semester, Western Illinois University will increase admissions standards for new freshmen. The University's Council of Admission, Graduation and Academic Standards and the Faculty Senate recently voted to support the change in admissions standards, with the approval of President **Jack Thomas** and Provost and Academic Vice President **Ken Hawkinson '78 M.A. '79**.

According to Admissions Director **Andy Borst**, the new admissions standards will be based primarily on previous academic achievement (measured by high school grade point average) and future academic potential (measured by ACT composite score). Applicants who are on the margins of the new admissions standards will be given a comprehensive evaluation, including a review of a personal statement, recommendations, academic goals, core academic classes and consideration for other circumstances.

"Great universities demonstrate a deep understanding of their students. Our new admissions standards represent students who have the greatest potential for academic success," Thomas noted. "This change in admissions standards represents a multi-year analysis of our students. WIU will continue to place our priorities firmly on student success. While we are increasing our admissions standards, we will continue to be committed to our core value of educational opportunity

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2013 Distinguished Alumni

The recipients of the 2013 WIU Distinguished Alumni Award, presented at Spring commencement, are **John Garvey '78**, senior vice president at NERA Economic Consulting, and **Karen Kolodzey '78**, retired president and managing partner of Brigandi+Associates (b+a).

The Distinguished Alumni Award, given since 1973, recognizes alumni who have reached the pinnacle of their careers and have brought credit to the University and themselves through their professional accomplishments or community service at local, state or national levels and have extended meritorious service for the advancement and continued excellence of WIU.

Kolodzey, a marketing graduate, retired as president and managing partner of b+a, an independent Chicago-based marketing communications agency she co-founded with her husband in 1991. She established the agency with a single trade ad assignment and expanded it to a multimillion dollar full-service operation focusing on consumer marketing, shopper marketing and business-to-business practice areas for Fortune 500 clients like Kraft Foods, Motorola and Kellogg's. During her tenure, Kolodzey guided the development of some of the food industry's most dynamic marketing programs with studio partners like Disney/Pixar, Lucasfilm, Sony and DreamWorks Animation. Under her leadership, b+a garnered honors from the Marketing Agencies Association Worldwide (MAA), the Association of Promotion Agencies Worldwide (APMA), Effie Worldwide and PROMO Magazine. Kolodzey put her agency's talents to work for the nonprofit sector as well with initiatives for partners like the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, the American Heart Association and the Avon Foundation for Women. Her leadership and business stake in b+a earned



Karen Kolodzey '78



John Garvey '78

Spring 2013 Commencement



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ALUMNI & FRIENDS EVENTS

July

- 13 Chicago
- 14 Silvis, IL
- 26 Macomb, IL

August

- 2-3 Chicago
- 7 Flossmoor, IL

September

- 4 Chicago, IL
- 14 Minneapolis, MN
- 21 Las Vegas, NV

We are coming to a city near you!

See page 2 for entire calendar and page 28 for complete details!



Dear Alumni & Friends,
On behalf of your WIU Alumni Association, I am pleased to announce this year's recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Awards. **John Garvey '78** and **Karen Kolodzey**

'78 received our highest honor at the May commencement ceremonies. We also welcomed the newest graduates to the now nearly 117,000 member Alumni Association. We had a great end of the semester and hope to see you at an event this summer! Visit wiu.edu/alumni/events to see where we'll be in the coming months!

-Amy Spelman M.S. '98

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WIU ALUMNI & FRIENDS 2013 EVENTS

JULY 2013

- 3No Western Wednesdays After-Hours
- 13Cubs vs. Cardinals Alumni & Friends Event at Deuce's and the Diamond Club in Chicago
- 14Western Illinois University at the John Deere Classic in Silvis (IL)
- 26Andrea Passmore Memorial Scholarship Golf Outing at the Macomb Country Club

AUGUST 2013

- 2-3Black Alumni Reunion Weekend in Chicago
- 7Western Wednesdays After-Hours at Flossmoor Station in Flossmoor (IL)

SEPTEMBER 2013

- 4Western Wednesdays After-Hours at Hubbard's in downtown Chicago
- 14WIU at University of Minnesota Social & Football Game
- 21WIU at University of Nevada Las Vegas Social & Football Game

OCTOBER 2013

- 2Western Wednesdays After-Hours at the Yard House in Glenview (IL)
- 3Celebrating Town & Gown at the Forum in Macomb
- 4Paint the Paws in Macomb
- 5WIU at ISU Social & Football Game
- 10Alumni & Friends Event at the Figge Art Museum in Davenport (IA)
- 11-12Homecoming/25-40-50 Year-Reunion in Macomb

NOVEMBER 2013

- 24Chicago Bears at St. Louis Rams Social & Football Game

DECEMBER 2013

- 13-14Graduation/Alumni Achievement Awards

Think Purple



Join the crowd...
Sometimes it's OK
to be a follower!



Think Social

We are pleased
to announce our
inaugural quarterly
social media
contest:

Think Western



SEND US YOUR FUTURE LEATHERNECK PHOTO!

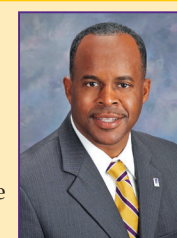
Description: Do you have a child, age newborn to 12 years old, who is a future Western Illinois University Leatherneck? We want to see our Future Leathernecks supporting WIU! Snap a photo of your child in Leatherneck purple and gold gear and send it to us. The photo can be taken anywhere. Be creative!

How to enter: E-mail your photo(s) to ae-selman@wiu.edu or mail it to: WIU Alumni Association, 1 University Circle, Macomb, IL 61455 with your Future Leatherneck's first name and birthdate. Any other relevant information is welcome!

Deadlines: The Future Leatherneck Photo Contest began June 15, 2013 and ends August 15, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. (CST). No purchase necessary, and the contest is open to all alumni, friends and fans of WIU. One entry per child. Photos in digital format are preferred.

By submitting your photo, you do hereby give WIU its assigns, licensees, and legal representatives the irrevocable right to use the name and photograph in all forms and media (including the Internet) by WIU, and waive any right to inspect or approve the finished version(s), including written copy that may be created in connection therewith. Winners will be selected by a committee and will not be based on "likes," etc.

From the President



I would like to congratulate and welcome the newest members of the Western Illinois University Alumni Association, our May 2013 graduates. Please remember that you will always be a part of the Leatherneck family, and we want you to remain involved with your alma mater.

While the state's economic situation has resulted in continued delayed reimbursements for Western, as well as the possibility of a further decrease in state appropriations for Fiscal Year 2014, we remain committed to providing a quality, well-rounded education and outstanding support services to our students. We also remain committed to retaining our employees. We will continue to work with our legislators and other universities to seek support for higher education. I'd like to thank you, our alumni and friends, for your continuing generosity and support.

Despite the current economic challenges facing our University, we have had numerous accomplishments during this academic year. Western continues to be ranked as a top tier regional university by U.S. News and World Report and a Best Midwestern College by the Princeton Review. The University was also once again selected as a "Military Friendly School" by G.I. Jobs Magazine and as a "Best for Vets College" by Military Times EDGE magazine.

The University's Bachelor of Science in Engineering degree was accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET), our graphic communication program was awarded national accreditation through the Accrediting Council for Collegiate Graphic Communications, Inc., and the University Counseling Center has been re-accredited by the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS), Inc.

We launched a new mentor program in the fall to help new freshmen transition to Western. The Building Connections program paired faculty and staff with new freshmen to assist these students and provide the resources they needed to succeed. The new students who participated in the program had a retention rate from fall to spring of 85.6 percent, compared with a 75.3 percent retention rate for those who chose not to participate.

In April, Western received its 10,000th application for freshmen admission for Fall 2013, a 2.3 percent increase compared to last year, and we recently extended the 100th offer for our prestigious Centennial Honors Scholarship for Fall 2013. Western has seen a notable increase in interest from high-achieving high school seniors for the Fall 2013 semester, and beginning with the Fall 2014 semester, Western will increase admissions standards for new freshmen.

Finally, Western has added new degrees to its Signature Academic Programs, which are unique academic programs noted for their size, unique area of concentration for undergraduate students, Centennial Honors College opportunities, demand for graduates and accessibility. The Signature Academic Programs include accountancy, agriculture, biology, engineering, forensic chemistry, law enforcement and justice administration, musical theatre, nursing, recreation, park and tourism administration, sports broadcasting, supply chain management and teacher education.

Corbin and Olson halls reopened in August, and construction has started on Phase II of the Quad Cities Riverfront campus. Thompson Hall renovations are underway, and the University Union remodeling project will begin when the spring semester comes to a close.

Thank you for your continued loyalty to Western Illinois University. I hope to see you at Western for the annual Homecoming celebration Oct. 11-12. I also look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming alumni and other events.

All my best,

Jack Thomas
Jack Thomas

Business and Technology



Alpha Tau chapter of AGR celebrates 50th Founder's Day

By Teresa Koltzenburg '92 M.S. '11

One of the staple sites along the Highway 67 route traveling south into Macomb is the Alpha Gamma Rho (AGR) House, located at 1010 N. Lafayette St. Directly west of the Oakwood Cemetery, the stately brown brick structure with the reddish roof is the longtime home of the Alpha Tau Chapter and presents a well-kept yard (in which is landscaped the Greek letters representing the fraternity). For past and present members of Alpha Gamma Rho, and many in the University community, the distinguished home serves as a point of pride for those entering Macomb and the area around Western Illinois University.

In Spring 2013, the Alpha Tau Chapter celebrated its 50th year on the Western campus, and commemorated its Founder's Day with more than 400 alumni returning to Macomb for the celebration. According to Former Chapter President **Jeremy Wolf** (Dixon, IL), a year's worth of planning went into the event and required input from current AGR members and Western students, as well as help from AGR alumni.

"**Ted Lee '97, Mark Dempsey '87, Jay Streitmatter '06**, and I worked on the event through December, and after that, with newly elected officers, **Ben Dahlstrom** (Sherard, IL), (president) and **Trey Forbes** (Lone Tree, IA) (alumni relations), Ted and Mark finished up planning the event. WIU and AGR alumni, such as **Larry Ropp '63**, and many others also helped by contacting their fellow Alpha Gamma Rho brothers who attended Western in their individual eras. We all used Facebook to help coordinate the event," Wolf explained.

Ropp, who was a charter member ("Pin # 8") for the Alpha Tau Chapter and now works as an independent associate for Legal Shield, said the members of the 2013 Alumni Board of Alpha Tau of AGR at Western were very involved in coordinating the celebration, which included a variety of social events over the first weekend in March.

Board members include: **Dempsey**, president; **Brian Yung '96**, treasurer; **Lee**, secretary; **Alex Borkgren '09**; **Mark Howard '87**; **Matt Tomlin '05**; **Scott Hall '93**; **Rock Katschnig '77**; and **Perry Tenhouse '87**.

According to a brief article in the March 20 edition of the "The Greek Gazette" (a newsletter serving Western's Greek community) by **Jacob Wooldridge** (Rushville, IL), the weekend celebration culminated in a banquet held in the Donald S. Spencer Student Recreation Center and featured

a presentation by Loren Kruse, former editor-in-chief of "Successful Farming" magazine.

"There were many different social events held throughout the weekend that allowed old and new members alike to get to know each other and share

stories of their experiences in the house," Wooldridge wrote in "Western's Alpha Gamma Rho Chapter Turns 50." "One alumnus remembered working on the new house just after it was purchased in 1964. [He said,] 'We would go to class in the morning, then come to 1010 and work until the sun went down.'"

In addition to helping plan the fraternity's 50th annual Founder's Day activities, Ropp stays involved by keeping AGR members connected and up-to-date about their AGR brothers who attended Western.



In early March, the Alpha Tau Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho at Western celebrated its 50th year on the Macomb campus, and commemorated its Founder's Day with more than 400 alumni returning to Macomb for the celebration.

CBT adds online graduate business certificates

Starting in Fall 2013, the WIU College of Business and Technology (CBT) will offer two new graduate programs: a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Business Administration and a Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Supply Chain Management (SCM). Each program requires 12 semester hours (four courses) of specific graduate courses, which can be taken on the Macomb campus, at WIU-Quad Cities in Moline or online.

The certificates were developed in response to market demand, according to **John Drea**, CBT associate dean and MBA director.

"We surveyed WIU alums and found that many were interested in continuing their education through WIU, but a full MBA degree didn't fit their immediate plans," said Drea. "The certificates provide added convenience by being available on both campuses and online, and they can serve as a nice stepping stone towards the completion of an MBA from WIU."

The certificate programs were developed over a 14-month period, with input from faculty, alumni and business advisory groups. The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Business Administration consists of MBA courses in accounting, finance, management and marketing. MBA Committee Director and Finance Professor **Peppi Kenny** noted, "We felt this certificate would provide a broad foundation for enhancing a career in business, and the courses can be applied towards our

MBA degree for students who choose to continue their education."

Students who complete the Business Administration Certificate would have 21 hours remaining to complete a WIU MBA degree.

The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Supply Chain Management consists of four MBA courses that cover supply chain fundamentals, transportation and warehouse management, and supply chain/operations management electives that allow a student to tailor the courses to their specific career needs.

"The Supply Chain Certificate is ideal for someone working in the SCM field who wants to advance," said **Jim Patterson**, CBT assistant dean at WIU-QC and supply chain management associate professor. "Our SCM advisory committee is supportive of the graduate certificate as a way to help meet the education needs of the logistics and supply chain fields."

One of the unique aspects of both certificates is that they can be completed through face-to-face courses on the Macomb and Quad Cities campuses or online. "We carefully developed eight online MBA courses over the past year, using many of the best practices we've seen for online education," said Drea.

"The courses were developed by the same faculty who teach the courses in the classroom. Students can mix and match courses from Macomb, the Quad Cities or online

depending on what fits their schedule and learning styles. It's very flexible."

Admission to the certificate program requires either a 3.0 or higher undergraduate GPA, a 2.75 GPA and significant work experience, or admission into the MBA program. Students who are admitted into one of the certificate programs and wish to continue on to the MBA degree must still apply to and be accepted into the WIU MBA program.

For more information about the Post-Baccalaureate Business Administration or Supply Chain Management certificates, contact Drea at (309) 298-2442 or at jt-drea@wiu.edu.

Visit these webpages for details:

wiu.edu/buscertificate
wiu.edu/scmcertificate



Finance alumnus builds Zaarly

Ever heard of Zaarly? If you haven't, it won't be long. Zaarly is an online platform that supports a local marketplace, and it is growing, thanks in part to WIU College of Business and Technology alumnus **Shane "Mac" McSimov '08**.

Mac is director of product for Zaarly, where he was part of the original team that started the company two years ago. In that time, it has grown to include five cities: New York, Los Angeles, Seattle, San Francisco and Kansas City (MO). With a base of 55 employees, Zaarly is expanding to other cities to allow more people to buy with the platform, which gives small business owners the tools in the online world to run their whole business from end to end.

"Mobile and (the concept of) 'local' is changing how people make a living and the world is becoming more like a small town world from 100 years ago," said Mac. "We help connect local entrepreneurs with a whole new marketplace."

The long-term goal for Zaarly is to help 10 million people make a living doing what they love, he added. Investors include Ashton Kutcher and Meg Whitman (the former CEO of eBay).

In terms of industry trends, Mac noted the macro trend is that freelance economies are growing and will continue to grow. As technology continues to evolve and there is more transparency into how small business can make money, entrepreneurship is going to be more prevalent. He emphasized that the mobile elements of the platform are key.

"You layer mobile into this and people can monetize their time when they couldn't before. When you add social media and trust on top of mobile, then the person begins to build a community and really great things happen," he said.

Mac wrote a book, "Stop with the BS," in 2012. And, with Zaarly growing at such a fast pace, he is much more visible as a national speaker. Reflecting back on the book, he said "Always Learning" is the book he would write today.

"Building a start-up, I learned that there's so much that you don't learn in the classroom," he said.

Mac also said that the toughest parts of that building process are pushing forward, executing and fighting self doubt.

"Everyone thinks it's about the idea. Wrong. There are many bad ideas that were executed well and became great businesses. Keeping the lights on, hiring great employees, retaining great employees and staying focused on the core of your business to go from an idea to a real, sustainable company is so much more about putting your head down and getting all the right people on the bus rather than having a great idea," Mac said.

Mac is driven by that simple principle: never hide ideas, tell everyone—it's the key to finding people to join any venture. He readily points out that nothing great was, or will be, built alone, and relationships are the key.

"Life is about the journey, not the destination. Whether we succeed or fail, it doesn't matter because the people you fight wars with are the people you go back to when you want to fight another," he said. "Trust and respect are the only thing that really matters."

Mac's journey has included more than Zaarly and a book. He has also been involved in the start-up of other

companies, including Gist.com, which ultimately sold to BlackBerry for more than \$40 million.

Mac noted that he had an influential mentor at Gist, T.A. McCann.

"He took a chance on me to help him build Gist.com," Mac said. "He changed my life by teaching me the power of relationships, managing your network, adding value before asking and building world class teams to start companies. He won the America's Cup in 1994 and sailed around the world as a professional sailor for eight years."

McCann taught Mac that the best people are never looking for jobs. They have to be convinced to join a venture.

"On a sailboat you have 11 positions, and every single person is the best in the world at that one thing and that's how he thinks about building companies," he said. "You have to find and convince the best in the world to join you to get your company started and have a chance at winning."

Before that advice, Mac thought he could start things and do them all by himself. McCann supported Mac's idea of hosting "Ask" dinners—small dinner gatherings for people with big ideas (<http://asksummit.org>).

"Curiosity is the greatest trait any employee can

have, and we both have this attitude that we are always learning. The people who've attended the dinners have changed my life."

Mac has come a long way from his days as a college student in Macomb. When asked about his favorite faculty at WIU, he quickly said, "I don't pick favorites, I just share who made an impact on me and who I remember. **Glenn Haynes '95 M.A. '97, Tara Westerhold, Dr. Joe, Dr. Tripp and Mrs. Harper '73 MS-Ed '75**—because they were more like friends than teachers. They took the extra effort to build relationships and trust with students."

He joked that it helped him attend class more.

"Knowing that we live in a world where everything we do will outlive us—growing up, I barely knew who my grandpa was, maybe a couple of photos. My grandkids and great-grandkids will know everything about me—what I thought every day, photos of every day of my life and a timeline of my life," Mac said. "That's incredible, and I hope to build something that makes a dent on the world, outlives myself and makes my great grandkids proud."

College of Business and Technology National Advisory Board



The CBT National Advisory Board met recently in Chicago for its semiannual meeting. The group, comprised of influential corporate leaders and entrepreneurs, has been meeting twice a year since the mid-1990s. The members advise the dean and college administration on a variety of topics that are relevant to the growth and development of CBT faculty, students and alumni. Pictured are: Back row l-r: Glenn Padgett '98 MBA '01, Nick Padgett '88, Joe Smith '78, Scott Rupp '76, John Henderson '73 MBA '76, David Stafford '93, Paul Bobzin '62 and Associate Dean John Drea. Front row l-r: George Krull, Kathleen McEntee '74, Christina Frank '98, Laura Janus '70, Nancy Cardea '79, Dean Tom Erikson and Assistant Dean Jim Patterson. Members not pictured: Jack Brannigan '76, Holly Deem '77, John Distefano '80, Tamara Harris '92, Steven McCann '78, Patty Sullivan '88 and Julie Winkler '92.

Business and Technology



Zimmerman earns CPSM

In order to keep current with the latest trends for her WIU classrooms, Supply Chain Management (SCM) Instructor **Honey Zimmerman '02 MBA '04** has earned the Institute of Supply Management's endorsement as a Certified Professional in Supply Management (CPSM). This designation ties in with her existing certification as a Certified Purchasing Manager (CPM), and is complimented by her Six-Sigma Greenbelt Certification, which she earned in 2006.



Honey Zimmerman '02 MBA '04

"In the WIU Supply Chain Management Program, we stress the importance of faculty having professional experience prior to teaching," Zimmerman said. "Since the business environment is always changing, I believe it is important to also stay relevant. I don't want to become stagnant in my teaching, so I attend conferences geared towards practitioners, keep my certifications current and earn new ones. Additionally, SCM faculty realize the significance of being connected to our industry partners and recruiters. We want to ensure we are teaching what our students need and what companies expect them to know. Activities like these, I feel, help me be the best teacher I can be."

Zimmerman began her teaching career at WIU in January 2011. She has six years of industrial experience in various supply chain management functions.

"Although I love to teach, I also love to learn," she said. "I hope I never stop growing, professionally and personally. In fact, I'm already thinking that the next professional certification I want to earn is the CPSD (Certified Professional in Supplier Diversity). We cover this topic extensively in the strategic sourcing class."

After finishing her MBA in 2004, Zimmerman took a position at bearing manufacturer NTN Bower Corporation in Macomb as a buyer of both direct and indirect goods and services. In her professional roles, she also has negotiated pricing, terms and conditions with suppliers, negotiated and arranged service contracts, contracted with suppliers to implement vendor-managed programs, and managed more than 3,900 suppliers from at least nine countries. As the Continuous Improvement Trainer, Zimmerman created NTN Bower's initial lean manufacturing procedures and trained their entire workforce.

We could not have done it without you!

This spring, the College of Business and Technology awarded more than \$150,000 in scholarships to students for the 2013-14 academic year. Many thanks to all of our alumni and friends for your annual support—every gift, no matter the size, impacts our students and assists them in their academic pursuits.

CBT Fresh-I Program beneficial to students, businesses

Three Western Illinois University students from the College of Business and Technology (CBT) are part of an inaugural "remote internship" program to help companies across the country.

During the Spring 2013 semester, students from the CBT's marketing and graphic communication programs worked with Gene Hyde Logistics, Inc., of Lakeland (FL). Students who worked on a marketing plan for the transportation company include marketing majors **Heather Smith**, a junior from LaSalle (IL) and **Daniel Szabo**, a senior from Hampshire (IL) and graphic communication major **Alison Ebbing**, a senior from Mount Sterling (IL).

WIU Department of Management and Marketing Chair **Craig Conrad '89 MBA '91** said the program matches students with companies that have issues they need solved. During the spring semester, Smith, Szabo and Ebbing completed a marketing audit for the company and developed a marketing plan. The students were led by WIU Marketing and Management Professor **James Kenny**.

"This semester is a pilot for the program, which helps us work with business partners remotely," said Conrad. "These students are learning to work with someone they may never meet. This is experiential learning at its best. Programs like this are well accepted in the business arena and are a proven way to work with industry partners."

The businesses pay the CBT for the assistance on a sliding scale, ranging from \$2,500 - \$10,000.

Students interested in taking part in the program must submit a resume and go through the interview process.

"From a potential employer's viewpoint, students get a

great amount of experience," Conrad said.

This semester's internship brought students knowledge they can carry with them to their future careers.

"I have learned to effectively communicate through conference calls and email correspondence with my professors, the client and my peers," Szabo said. "I have also learned to work with a team to develop a marketing audit, lead generation and marketing strategy planning."

Smith said her work with Fresh-I has led to one of the best experiences of her academic life at WIU.

"This was a real world marketing experience that has enhanced my understanding and practical knowledge of exactly what a marketing audit and plan consists of in a professional setting," she said. "The intangibles I learned from the remote internship are teamwork, time management skills, organization, application from classroom to business and planning, to name a few. I would certainly suggest this project to any marketing student in the future and hope to have the opportunity to be a part of it again myself. With the guidance and mentorship from Dr. Conrad and Dr. Kenny, I learned the ins and outs of an extremely pivotal, prosperous and growing industry, which I could see myself in after graduation."

Ebbing said her experiences through the internship have been valuable, especially working remotely with a business.

"It has taught me about freelancing and working with companies from across states," she said. "This has opened up a whole new field of work for me as a graphic designer."

Facilities Management donates equipment to CBT program

The students in the classrooms of the Western Illinois University Department of Engineering Technology are benefitting from the University's decision to discontinue the use of coal to heat the school's buildings.

During the Spring 2013 semester, the University's Facilities Management department donated surplus equipment from the former coal operation, including electronic controls and sensors.

In December 2011, the WIU Board of Trustees voted to discontinue the use of coal on campus, transitioning instead to the use of natural gas. The large coal stack on the southeast side of campus has since been taken down in a brick-by-brick demolition process.

Engineering Technology Professor **Dave Hunter '88 M.S. '90** said the donated equipment will be used to build electronic models in the classroom. Some of the equipment will also be used on the WIU-Quad Cities campus to help reduce the need to transport materials between the two campuses.

"We can use many of the items in labs as we construct automated cells similar to those used in modern manufacturing facilities," Hunter said. "Most of the donated items replicate items we currently use, but replaces them with more modern models. The department is very excited because this is tens of thousands of dollars in items we don't have to buy that can be put directly into

our labs."

Students from a variety of majors will benefit from the donation, including those in engineering technology and renewable energy.

For more information on Western's Department of Engineering Technology, visit wiu.edu/cbt/engineering_technology/.



L-R: Spencer Hendrickson, senior mathematics major, of Galesburg (IL); Chad Faxon, senior interdisciplinary studies major, of Macomb and Andrew Brophy, a graduate student in engineering technology leadership, of Macomb, work with several pieces of equipment recently donated to WIU's Department of Engineering Technology from the University's Facilities Management department.

Aguirre called to establish charity in Ecuador

By Jodi Pospeschil

It was a church sermon that led Western Illinois University alumnus **Oscar Aguirre M.A. '99 MBA '00** to start an Ecuadorian charity to benefit those suffering as a result of the worse financial crisis in his country's history.

Aguirre's charity, Pan da Vida, is based in Quita, Ecuador and operates with the theme, "Sharing the gospel. Helping the less fortunate." The non-profit Christian foundation, which he runs with wife, Lori, strives to meet the basic needs of food, clothing, healthcare and school supplies for families in his region. Pan da Vida also offers programming for Bible teaching, a club for kids and parents, health care prevention and promotion, a flea market, a microbusiness program and summer programs.

"I believe God called me to do this," Aguirre said. "In Ecuador, lots of country people, many indigenous, migrated to the main cities to beg. In front of my church there were many every Sunday."

The spark that led to the development of Pan da Vida came in 2000, shortly after Aguirre heard a church sermon on Matthew V and the Beatitudes.

"I left the church thinking, 'Am I righteous? Am I merciful? Am I hungry for righteousness? And if so, how am I showing it?'" he said. "At the same moment, a little shoe-shining boy crossed my path and asked if he could clean my shoes. I let him, but when he started I felt ashamed."

Aguirre said he heard a voice in his head saying, "Oscar, I have given you all you have wanted—you went

to the U.S., you got two master's degrees, you've got a good job, and yet do you realize you have at your feet a 10-year-old boy cleaning your shoes?"

After paying the boy double his 25-cent shoe shining fee, Aguirre invited the boy to brunch. The following week, Aguirre again took the boy to brunch, along with three of his

friends. It was during that second week that Aguirre decided to dedicate part of his time and money to support the less fortunate.

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Aguirre met his wife, Lori, in January 2006 and they were married in September 2007. As a nurse practitioner, Lori was a natural fit with Pan da Vida's public health programming.

Before Aguirre came to Western, he was a financial adviser for the State Bank of Ecuador and then a corporate trainer for Exxon Mobil of Ecuador.

After returning to Ecuador, Aguirre became the international manager for Desempre, a family-owned

consulting company, a position he still holds. He has developed training products related to leadership, team

building, customer service, strategic planning, sales and motivation. He teaches at seminars and conferences around Ecuador and in other Latin American countries and the U.S.

He teaches in English and Spanish to clients at both multinational corporations and local companies.

Aguirre said his time at WIU benefitted him "greatly and in many ways."

"I have a unique combination of skills that has placed me in a niche market of professionals in my country that has been very beneficial to my line of work," he said. "I am bilingual, and a

Fulbright Scholar with two master's degrees from WIU."

Since leaving Western, Aguirre said he keeps in contact with several of his former teachers, including CBT Associate Dean **John Drea**. He also has contact with several former classmates and keeps connected to WIU through the Alumni Association and through the University's Facebook page.

He also tries to visit Western whenever he is in the Midwest and said he would love to explore the opportunity to speak on campus or have WIU student groups come to Ecuador.

Aguirre also has a cherished album of photographs from his time at Western that includes, "my first time in Macomb, my first Homecoming parade and my first football game." The WIU Department of Economics also honored Aguirre with an "Outstanding Student" plaque prior to the receipt of his first degree.

For more information about Aguirre and his charity, visit <http://pandevida.org.ec>.



Oscar Aguirre M.A. '99 MBA '00 with his wife Lori and sons, Oscar Andres and Joshua David.

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- OSCAR AGUIRRE M.A. '99
MBA '00

Dobson named Fulbright Scholar to Romania

Western Illinois University was honored this spring to have two of its professors named winners of Fulbright Scholarships to teach abroad.

The professors were WIU Management Professor **Joe Dobson** and WIU-Quad Cities Assistant Professor **Daniel Malachuk**, of the WIU Department of English and Journalism.

Dobson, of WIU's College of Business and Technology (CBT), received the scholarship to teach management classes in Romania during the Spring 2014 semester. He will teach at the University of Babes-Bolyai and his course load will include principles of management and advanced organizational behavior.

The idea to teach in Romania came after Dobson went to a Canadian teaching conference over the summer and met two Romanian professors from American universities. During the conference, he talked with the professors about his interest in teaching in Eastern Europe.

After some lengthy discussions with the Romanian University, Dobson received an invitation to teach the

classes.

"I had to send my syllabus, and they came back with the invitation," Dobson said. "But they said, 'We can't afford to pay you,' and they suggested I apply for a Fulbright award."

The Fulbright scholarship will pay Dobson's expenses of teaching in Romania, including travel and lodging costs.

The University of Babes-Bolyai has about 50,000 students. Dobson said university officials were interested in his teaching because of the accreditation of WIU's CBT by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

"Everything just fell into place," Dobson said. "I was pleasantly surprised when I received the Fulbright letter, I was very honored. The Fulbright Scholarship shows that there is support for cross-cultural exchanges."



Joe Dobson, WIU management professor

Dobson will live in Romania from February through June 2014. In addition to working in a new classroom structure, he looks forward to traveling in the region.

Previously, Dobson has taken classes of WIU students to Europe for 10- and 14-day educational trips.

The J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Program was developed by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State. Since the program began nearly 60 years ago, more than 300,000 Fulbright Scholars have been named to study and teach in more than 150 countries.

For more information about the Fulbright program, visit fulbright.state.gov.

(See p. 7 for the Daniel Malachuk story.)

Arts and Sciences

WIU graduate leads design, construction of Alaskan research vessel

As the director of the Institute of Marine Science University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF), **Terry Whitledge '64 M.S. '66**, is leading the design and construction of a new ocean research vessel for the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Whitledge is also a professor of chemical/biological oceanography in UAF's School of Fisheries and Ocean Studies.

As the director of the NSF design team, Whitledge gathered input from oceanographers around the country. The \$123 million vessel, funded through American Recovery and Reinvestment Act stimulus funds, is unique to the U.S. Academic research fleet in that it is an icebreaker and the first vessel constructed by the NSF since the 1980s.

Construction of the 254-foot vessel was started in 2011 and will be completed this fall. UAF will accept the ship on behalf of the NSF, and scientific operations (research) will begin in Summer 2014.

The ship will be named the R/V Sikuliaq, which is an Eskimo word for "new sea ice that is safe to walk on." It will be capable of breaking through ice of up to two and a half feet thick.

Prior to coming to UAF, Whitledge worked at several universities across the country. He also worked on projects in the Bering Sea and Arctic waters while living in

Washington, New York and Texas and in the waters off of Peru and West Africa, as well as the Mediterranean Sea. He is currently working on two large science projects in the Arctic Ocean.

Whitledge said he believes Western Illinois University gave him a strong base in math, physics and chemistry, fields which are "absolutely critical" to his job.

"Oceanography is a very multidisciplinary science, which also requires training in zoology, botany, statistics, geology, etc.," he said. "My professors in chemistry also inspired me to reach out as far as possible in terms of my educational goals and follow up to find an answer when you find an interesting question. **Professors Hardin and Goekner** were especially good at encouraging me and fellow students to pursue those interesting questions."

When Whitledge looks back on his time at WIU, he credits several professors with helping guide his path.

"In the mid-60s, the Chemistry Club was very active with field trips, which helped me appreciate the various jobs available in chemistry," he said. "I was given a lot of help by Dr. **Sather**, who was dean at the time. He was very aware of the national scene in biological studies and wildlife. Dr. **Reece Jones** was also extremely helpful in terms of my interests in oceanography."

Besides his research, Whitledge enjoys scuba diving, mountain climbing, camping and fishing.

Alumnus combines two degrees to serve his country

Western Illinois University alumnus **John Siffermann '11**, is combining the two degrees he received from Western to serve the United States in its border patrol division.

Sifferman came to Western in 2011 with the intention of studying law enforcement and justice administration (LEJA) so he could follow in the footsteps of his brother and father.

"I applied to WIU mainly because of the notable LEJA program," he said.

During his sophomore year at Western, Siffermann began taking Spanish classes and took advantage of an opportunity to study abroad in Salamanca, Spain.

"Although my Spanish-speaking ability was not as fluent as others on the trip, I was able to pick it up with practice," he said. "I thoroughly enjoyed being able to explore new cities and learn about different cultures."

Siffermann said Assistant Professor **Barry McCrary** played a big role in his pursuit of a criminal justice career.

Shortly after graduating with a double major of LEJA and Spanish, Sifferman joined the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in February 2012. After some lengthy training, he began working at the port of entry in San Luis (AZ).

"My current position as a customs and border protection officer entails processing both pedestrian and vehicle traffic from Mexico," he said. "The main goal of CBP is to secure our nation's border by identifying and preventing terrorist activity, while maintaining the flow of legitimate travel and trade made into the United States of America. The Spanish training I have received through WIU (and my CBP training) has helped me to accomplish these tasks more easily and safely. In fact, I speak Spanish at work more than I speak English. I owe thanks to the WIU Spanish Department, especially Dr. **Cabedo-Timmons MS-Ed '95**, for laying the foundation that has helped me thus far in my career."

Sifferman said he is grateful to Western's LEJA program for training him for a variety of positions in law enforcement.

"I feel the smaller classroom environments helped me as a student to build a rapport with my professors," he said. "It wasn't until my training (for this job) that I realized how WIU prepared me to work in the criminal justice field."

Some of Siffermann's fondest memories of WIU are from his time traveling abroad.

"However, I thoroughly enjoyed my coursework while at WIU, as well as the intramural activities offered," he said. "Maintaining physical fitness is not only a hobby of mine but it is a necessity to ensure officer safety and officer presence in my position. I am very fortunate to have experienced what I have over the last several years while at WIU and during my time thus far with CBP."



John Siffermann '11

Malachuk named Fulbright Scholar to Germany



Daniel Malachuk, associate English professor

With Western Illinois University boasting two Fulbright scholars in 2013 and three within the last two years, Associate Professor of English **Daniel Malachuk**, of the WIU-Quad Cities campus and the WIU College of Arts and Sciences, has been appointed to serve his 2013-2014 sabbatical teaching in Germany.

WIU Marketing Professor **Joe Dobson** was appointed a Fulbright Scholar to Romania this year, and retired agriculture Professor **John Carlson** was

named a Fulbright Scholar to Russia last year.

Malachuk will serve as a senior lecturer at the University of Heidelberg at the Heidelberg Center for American Studies. He will teach courses on romanticism and the origin of human rights, as well as one on how sustainability is portrayed in early American literature.

The attraction to teach in Germany for Malachuk centered around the Heidelberg Center for American studies.

"They have an excellent program that attracts students from around the world," Malachuk said. "I look forward to working with their faculty and students, as well as

learning more about their educational system."

Malachuk said the University of Heidelberg wrote a letter in support of his application to be a Fulbright Scholar.

Before coming to WIU's Quad Cities campus, Malachuk was a visiting professor at American University in Washington (DC). He received his bachelor's degree in English from Bowdoin College in Maine and his doctorate from Rutgers University in New Jersey.

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- DANIEL MALACHUK

Arts and Sciences

MSU administrators began path at WIU

Two Michigan State University (MSU) administrators credit their time at WIU with leading to successful careers and a successful marriage.

Cliff '71, and **Sue Haka '71**, live in East Lansing (MI), where Cliff is the director of libraries for MSU, and Sue is the senior associate dean at the Eli Broad College of Business. The two met in a mathematics class at Western.

Both went on to the University of Kansas, where Sue completed her doctorate degree and Cliff his MBA. As the two searched for jobs, they found the best jobs for both of them at MSU.

During the couple's time at Western, they said they received a great foundation for their careers.

"The most important lessons from my time at Western were learning to question and to think," Cliff said. "In various history classes, a consistent theme that 'what appears to be the case at the moment doesn't always prove accurate once a more complete review, distanced from the passions of the moment, is undertaken.' That lesson, gleaned from extraordinary faculty such as Professor **George**

Hopkins, was in and of itself enough reason to have attended Western. Beyond that, Western, or more specifically philosophy professors **Larry Hitterdale** and **Blaise Kretzschmar**, dramatically enhanced my ability to think through positions and arguments. This has aided me enormously, both within and outside of my career."

Cliff also credited Professor **Gil Belles**, who was his adviser, for supporting him and helping him get back on track "following my failed foray into engineering."

"Without his assistance, I might never have had a career to speak of," he said.

Sue said her mathematics background laid the

foundation for "clear analytical thinking skills."

"After completing a master's degree in mathematics, I entered a Ph.D. program in accounting, with the goal of understanding the role accounting plays in society," Sue said. "My mathematics background has been a cornerstone of my research productivity."

Sue said some of the math department faculty also provided life lessons for students.

"Professor **Bishop** (set theory) instilled the importance of perseverance as a means to gain a deeper understanding in your chosen discipline," she said. "Professor **Calhoun** (taught analytical geometry) infused his classes with a passion for his discipline, demonstrating the importance of loving what you do. Finally, Professor **Shouse** (advanced calculus) told me early on at WIU that I was an 'A student doing B work.' That comment made me take a hard look at my efforts, encouraging me to put 100 percent into whatever I do."

Both Cliff and Sue said their fondest memory of their time in Macomb was meeting each other and developing their early relationship.

"We are true partners in life's journey, and that journey started at WIU," Sue said.

Cliff added that playing intramurals with the team Seal Six Packers and going to Walt's Office and the King's Inn are also great memories.

"But meeting the love of my life tops the list," he said.

Because of their fondness for their time at WIU, the Hakas developed scholarship opportunities for students coming to WIU.

"Having been at a much larger university, where I

struggled mightily and felt lost in the shuffle, Western provided a supportive environment that allowed me to succeed," Cliff said. "So the motivation for the first scholarship, the one in history, was to try and repay both the department and the university where I 'found myself.' In talking with the administration, we decided upon support for those whose continuation might be impeded by finances, but that is entirely secondary. The 1960s were a tumultuous time, and I wanted to give back to the institution that provided the stability that allowed me to make my way through those difficult years."

Sue said after coming from a small town she wanted to give back to the University for some of the transformative years of her life.

"My background is from a small town family with six children," she said. "My parents impressed upon us, from an early age, the value of an education. Five out of six of all the siblings managed to get a college education, with four degrees from Western Illinois University. Personally, my years at Western were transformational. As a simple example, a WIU art appreciation course was an eye-opener for me. With no opportunities to understand art in my small town or previous education, the presentations and discussions laid the groundwork for an ability to understand why the world values creative endeavors. I wanted those same types of learning opportunities to be available to other students, and scholarship support seemed like the best method to help make those opportunities available."

The Hakas love to travel, recently floating through the Grand Canyon and having made trips to Scotland, Australia, Peru and China. They also enjoy the theatre, concerts, movies and sporting events.



Cliff '71 and Sue Haka '71

Etta named Western's first-ever Truman scholar finalist

This spring, Western Illinois University was honored with its first-ever finalist in the Truman Scholar competition.

Elizabeth Etta, a senior African American studies major and sociology minor from Bolingbrook (IL), is a student in Western's Centennial Honors College.

Etta submitted her scholar application with the help of Centennial Honors College Director **Richard Hardy '70** and **Keith Boeckelman**, chair of WIU's Department of Political Science.

"The Harry S. Truman Scholarship is widely recognized as the top scholarship in the United States," said Hardy. "The Truman looks for students who excel in academics, public service and civic leadership. Just to be nominated for a Truman is praiseworthy in its own right, but to become a finalist is a major accomplishment."

Etta said the scholarship application required her not only to define her goals for her career, but also to develop a public policy.

"Basically, I had to figure out, in seven months, what I want to do with the rest of my life," she said. "I am very interested in public interest law, such as public benefits law and working with national advocacy groups."

Etta wrote her policy statement about the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program within the Department of Human Services. Her policy revolved around a proposed program that would allow TANF recipients to replace time spent working with time spent in a classroom to fulfill the program requirements.

Etta estimates the cost of the program at \$7.9 billion per state, and its implementation would require a partnership with community colleges.

Boeckelman said he was pleased to learn Etta had become the first WIU student to reach the final round of the Truman Scholarship competition.

"Besides the financial award for winning, which is substantial, it is very prestigious," he said. "They choose individuals who serve the public, the people who can do the most."

Etta took part in the interview portion of the competition March 25 in Chicago. There were 11 other Truman Scholar finalists interviewing during the same session.

For this year's Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation, 629 applications were received from 293 colleges and universities. From those applicants, 199 students from 136 colleges were chosen as finalists.

Etta said after she graduates from Western, she plans to move on to law school.

In addition to Etta, three more WIU students were invited by the University to submit applications to the 2013 Truman Scholar competition. Those students included **Caleb Markey** from Macomb (IL), a senior finance major; **Steve Wailand** from Macomb (IL), a senior chemistry, pre-law major and **Michael Quigley** from Camp Point (IL), a senior political science major. Markey is president of WIU's Student Government Association; Wailand is a Macomb alderman;

and Quigley was named the 108th Sustainment Brigade's Soldier of the Year in August 2012.

For more information about the Truman Scholar program, visit Truman.gov.



Elizabeth Etta



Intercollegiate Athletics

Leatherneck baseball reaches winning milestone

Western Illinois baseball used a mix of timely hitting and pitching, and took advantage of three Arkansas errors, to defeat the number one ranked Razorbacks, 7-5, during the opening weekend of the 2013 baseball season.

The win is a milestone in program history, as it is the first time a Leatherneck team has defeated a number one ranked team in the country. It is the second straight year Western

defeated a "Top 10" ranked team (defeated eighth-ranked Georgia last year) and surpassed the 2008 team beating then fourth-ranked Missouri and seventh-ranked Long Beach State in the same season.

The win was also the first of the year for the Leathernecks and the first in the **Ryan Brownlee** coaching era.

"What a great win for our program. I'm extremely proud of our guys because we actually showed up today and expected to win, and that is something we hadn't done the previous two games," said Brownlee. "This is a great day for our program; it was a complete team effort today. Our pitchers did a great job; our defense was awesome; and our situational hitting was there today when it wasn't the last two days."

The Leathernecks recorded nine hits in the game. **Brent Turner** (Bloomington, IL) and **Jameson Henning** (Janesville, WI) finished with two hits each in the contest. Sophomore **Mason Pingel** (Appleton, WI) (1-0) got the victory for Western. The righty went five innings, allowing three runs while striking out a career high five Razorbacks. **Brian Loconsole** (Geneva, IL) picked up the save for the Leathernecks, throwing the final 1 2/3 innings giving up no hits or runs.



Ceola Clark, Katie Condon—Scholar-Athletes of the Year

Western Illinois Athletics honored two student-athletes for their athletic and academic performance during the third annual Academic Excellence Award Banquet.

Men's basketball player **Ceola Clark III '11** (Waukegan, IL/Warren Township) was named the Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year, and women's soccer **Katie Condon** (Plainfield, IL/Joliet Catholic) received the Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year award.

Sixty-one student-athletes were honored at the banquet. Student-athletes with a cumulative 3.5 or higher grade point average were invited to the banquet.

Clark guided the Leathernecks to their best finish in the program's NCAA Division I history (22-9 overall) and the first-ever true Summit League regular season title. As a part of the Leatherneck family for six years, Clark helped Western to its only two postseason appearances in its Division I era (back-to-back appearances in the College Basketball Invitational).

The only player to win the Summit League's Defensive Player of the Year award twice, Clark is a two-time All-Summit League First Team selection, and once named All-Summit League Second Team. He also set several program records throughout his career. Clark also joined an elite group last year when he scored his 1,000th career point. He received his bachelor's degree in finance with a minor in marketing and is currently pursuing a master's degree in sport management with a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

Condon played a key role in her team making one of the biggest improvements in the win column from one year to the next. The four-year starter helped the women's soccer team accomplish a record of 13-6, contend for a Summit League regular season title and reach the Summit League Tournament, following a season in which the team won just one conference match. She was named to the First Team All-Summit League Team and garnered Summit League Academic All-League honors all four years.

One of the team captains, she recorded a team high 12 points on the season with five goals and two assists. She also helped Western set three new team match records and six team season records. She ends her career fourth in Western Illinois history in game-winning goals (5), and eighth in career goals (10). Condon is majoring in dietetics, earning a 3.497 cumulative grade point average.



Katie Condon and Ceola Clark III '11

Julie Gibbes named director of compliance

Jewell (Julie) Gibbes has joined Western Illinois Leatherneck Athletics as the director of compliance.

Gibbes will manage the day-to-day operations of the athletics department's compliance office. She joins Western after spending the last academic year at the University of South Carolina (USC).

Gibbes worked with the Gamecock Athletics Compliance department previously. She assisted with the administering of meetings with coaches, student-athletes and administrators at USC, along with educational meetings with high school academic counselors, bowl preparation and travel administration with the football team last January, monitoring the amateurism status of student-athletes and monitoring awards and benefits.

She also worked with official visits, updating and archiving the rule interpretations database for coaches, guest ticketing for student-athletes during home contests, audits of sport camps and monitoring the employment, housing and vehicles of student-athletes.

"I'm very excited to join a great institution and athletics department such as Western Illinois University. The staff and coaches are great, and I look forward to working with them," said Gibbes.

No stranger to the Summit League, Gibbes worked two years at South Dakota State University (SDSU) as the graduate assistant coach for equestrian. In addition to her coaching duties, Gibbes worked on the initial eligibility

and recruitment of student-athletes, academic progress, coordinated team travel, supervised student employees, assisted with budget and purchases and organized and managed the competition. She also volunteered in the Jackrabbits Athletic Development office.

While attending Auburn, Gibbes was a member of the Tigers' 2006 National Championship equestrian team, going 17-1 during competitions. She ranked third nationally in reining the following season, and was a member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

She received her bachelor's degree from Auburn in exercise science and health promotion. Last year, Gibbes earned her master's degree from SDSU in sport and recreation studies.



Julie Gibbes

"I'm very excited to join a great institution and athletics department."

- JULIE GIBBES

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Intercollegiate Athletics

A look back at the 2012-13 Western Illinois men's basketball season

This year, the Fighting Leatherneck men's basketball team had its most historic season in its NCAA Division I history. Take a look at some highlights from the season.

The Western Illinois men's basketball team concluded its historic season with its second straight appearance in the College Basketball Invitational, playing at Purdue.



Ceola Clark III '11

Although the Fighting Leathernecks did not reach their ultimate goal of advancing to the program's first-ever NCAA Tournament appearance, the Leathernecks still made

program history by winning their first-ever true Summit League regular season championship, and earning 22 wins, the most ever in the program's NCAA Division I history. The Leathernecks also concluded the 2012-13 season with an RPI of 137 after being ranked 163rd to begin the season.

Western finished the season ranked among the top 100 nationally, in eight different statistical categories. The Leathernecks ranked first in personal fouls per game, having committed only 12.6 per game, and second in scoring defense, having allowed only 53.6 points per game. Western also ranked 12th in three-point field goal percentage, having connected on 39.1 percent of their attempts. Other notable team rankings: 33rd in field goal percentage (46.6), 35th in turnovers per game (11.4), 46nd in field goal percentage defense (40.0), 47th in win-loss percentage (71.0), 74th in scoring margin (5.9), 102nd in blocks per game (4.0) and 108th in assist/turnover ratio (1.05).

Individually, **Terrell Parks '13** (Beloit, WI) ranked in the top 45 of four national categories. Parks was 22nd in field goal percentage (56.9), 25th in blocks per game (2.5), 26th in rebounds per game (9.6) and 42nd in double doubles (11). **Ceola Clark III '11** (Waukegan, IL) ranked 47th in assist/turnover ratio (2.21) and 78th in steals per game (1.87).

Western Illinois head coach **Jim Molinari** was named the 2013 National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) All-District coach for District 12. The honor, which is selected by other college basketball coaches, is the second of coach Molinari's career. Molinari earned All-District coaching honors for District 11 while at Northern

Illinois in 1991. No other Western Illinois coach has earned the honor. Molinari was also named a finalist for the 2013 Hugh Durham Award, given annually to the nation's top mid-major coach.

In addition, Molinari was also tabbed The Summit League's "Coach of the Year" by the league, CollegeInsider.com and College Sports Madness.

Parks was also honored by the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) as an All-District 12 Second Team member after helping lead the Leathernecks to their best season as a NCAA Division I program.

The Leathernecks had four members of the team earn five Summit League awards. Parks was named the league's "Defensive Player of the Year," also being named to the All-Summit League First Team. Ceola Clark III was also named to the All-Summit League First Team and **Adam Link** (Elbert, CO) was named to the All-Newcomer Team.

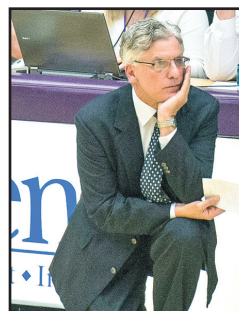
On top of all of the national rankings and recognition, the 2012-13 team also earned the most victories, 22, in the program's NCAA Division I history. Western's (13-3) conference mark also tied the Leathernecks' record for Summit League wins in a season, and their 12-2 home record sits second in Western's Division I era.

As a part of the team's 22-win season, the Leathernecks were able to put together 11 consecutive wins, a winning streak that started with a victory on Nov. 29 at South Dakota and ended at home versus South Dakota State on Jan. 17. The Leathernecks had never earned 11 or more straight wins in a season during their Division I history, and the last time they did so in the program's history was during the 1957-58 season when they put together 27 consecutive wins. During the streak, the Leathernecks finished the month of December with a 6-0 record. It was the first time Western finished the month of December undefeated in its Division I history.

Due to the team's success, Western Hall had its best attendance since 1987 when it played host to South Dakota on March 2, as 5,089 fans packed the Leathernecks' home court when they clinched a share of the The Summit League regular season title. Western had two other games with more than 4,000 fans. First when they played host to South Dakota State on Jan. 17 (4,163), and then when Cleveland State visited Western Hall on Feb. 23 (4,259). Western also had 3,973 fans pack Western Hall on Jan. 19 versus North Dakota State. The 2012-13 season averaged 2,454 fans per game, which ranks eighth in the program's NCAA Division I era, and is the best average since the 1998-99 season.



Terrell Parks '13



Basketball Head Coach Jim Molinari

Nate Davis and Emily Brink earn All-Tournament Team Honors

The Western Illinois men's and women's golf teams competed in the 2013 Summit League Championships in April, and each team had a golfer earn all-tournament team honors.

For the men's team, sophomore **Nate Davis** finished fourth individually after carding a 221 (71-74-76). The Winchester (IL) native kicked-off the meet with a 71 in the opening round before carding a 74 and 76 in rounds two and three (+5). The sophomore had three eagles, six birdies and 31 pars throughout the championship.

On the women's side, senior **Emily Brink** finished fifth with a three-round score of 239 (86-78-75). The Quincy (IL) native put together the team's best round of the tournament in the final round, a 75, moving her up into a fifth-place finish. Brink had two birdies and 29 pars in the tournament.

As teams, the men finished in fourth and the women placed fifth.

2013 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | LOCATION | TIME |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Aug. 29 | Hampton | Macomb | 6 p.m. |
| Sept. 7 | Quincy | Macomb | 1 p.m. |
| Sept. 14 | at Minnesota | Minneapolis, MN | TBA |
| Sept. 21 | at UNLV | Las Vegas, NV | TBA |
| Sept. 28 | *South Dakota | Macomb | 3 p.m. |
| Oct. 5 | *at Illinois State | Bloomington, IL | TBA |
| Oct. 12 | *South Dakota State | Macomb | 3 p.m. |
| Oct. 19 | *at Youngstown State | Youngstown, OH | 3 p.m. |
| Oct. 26 | *Missouri State | Macomb | 6 p.m. |
| Nov. 2 | *Southern Illinois | Macomb | TBA |
| Nov. 16 | *at Indiana State | Terre Haute, IN | TBA |
| Nov. 23 | *at Northern Iowa | Cedar Falls, IA | TBA |

*Missouri Valley Football Conference game
All times central and subject to change

Pre-game socials will be held prior to games in bold. For more information on pre-games, visit wiu.com/alumni or (309) 298-1914.



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Fine Arts and Communication



WIU graduate lands lead in Evian commercial



Micah Spayer '09 dancing in the Evian commercial, "Baby and Me."

Western Illinois University alumnus **Micah Spayer '09**, is getting in touch with his inner child while starring in a recent commercial for Evian water.

Spayer, who holds a BFA degree in musical theatre and now lives in New York (NY), plays the lead in the commercial. He is shown walking down a sidewalk catching his reflection in several mirrors, only to see the reflection of a baby's face looking back at him.

The commercial, released on April 21, can be seen on television or via YouTube at youtube.com/user/evianbabies/babyandme.

Initially Spayer auditioned for the part of a mustached cyclist in the commercial, but after the audition he was recast in the lead. He said the audition included dancing and pretending to look in a mirror and seeing a baby looking back.

"The commercial was filmed in late January in Buenos Aires," Spayer said.

"We were there for eight days, but before then, we rehearsed with well-known choreographer Michael Rooney for four days.

Spayer said it was the encouragement he received from his professors at WIU that pushed him in the right career direction.

"That's the beauty of the professors at WIU; they leave a lot of it up to the students because at the end of the day you are in charge of yourself, and the streets of New York won't take pity upon you if you expect to be nurtured," he said.

In addition to the commercial, Spayer's credits include playing "The Cat in the Hat" in the national tour of "Seussical: The Musical," and he has appeared off-Broadway as "Mike" in "The Austerity of Hope" at The June Havoc Theatre. He also appeared in the pilot presentation of "Supers," for Comedy Central's Comedy Pilot Competition, in association with The New York Television Festival.

"That's the beauty of the professors there; they leave a lot of it up to the students."

- MICAH SPAYER '09

Henson is one of first QC communication graduates and Thompson Scholar

Leah Henson '13 graduated in May 2013 like many other WIU students. But that's where the similarity ends. Henson doesn't know the meaning of downtime. Not only is she one of the first two graduates with a bachelor of arts in communication from the WIU Quad Cities (WIU-QC) campus, she was also a founding member and the first president of the Communication Student Society (CSS) at WIU-QC, and she was the Spring 2013 Department of Communication Undergraduate Thompson Scholar. Did we mention she did all this while she worked part-time as a sales associate at Victoria's Secret?

Along with **Cayla Freeman '13** (Moline, IL), Henson graduated with a bachelor of arts in communication and double minors in sociology and psychology. The WIU-QC communication majors complete two emphases: interpersonal communication and organizational communication. Communication became a major in the Quad Cities in Fall 2011.

Henson says she decided to attend WIU-QC because it was affordable, close to home and she felt confident that all her credits from Black Hawk College would transfer. Thanks to the Illinois Articulation Agreement, Henson, like others from area community colleges, are advised at their community college for a seamless transfer to WIU.

"I chose communication as a major for a number of reasons. I was curious about the communication discipline; a communication degree can be beneficial in many aspects of a professional life; and I knew if I went into the field of communication, I would be challenged," she said. "I wanted to step out of my comfort zone by having to do public speaking."

As a founding member and president of the Communication Student Society at WIU-QC, Henson got the chance to gain leadership skills by conducting meetings and planning events. During the Spring 2013 semester, CSS organized and implemented a major

poverty awareness event. The CSS organizes social events, schedules professional guest speakers and provides members with resources and training to build their marketability, opportunities to professionally network and make connections with other students, faculty and alumni.

Henson received the Spring 2013 Wayne N. Thompson Undergraduate Scholar Award, a \$500 award that is given in the fall and spring semesters to a declared communication major with at least 90 semester hours and an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

"My fondest memories at WIU-QC are developing and maintaining close relationships with classmates and professors by engaging in class discussions and class projects," she added.

"I had outstanding professors who helped me improve academically and professionally. **Dr. Hogg** has been a mentor and has helped me in every way possible. She encouraged me to become the president of CSS and also has encouraged me to take on different internships and career paths. Also, **Dr. Young** has helped me to improve my writing skills by giving me valuable feedback."

After graduation, Henson plans to complete several internships, including a marketing internship and an internship with the American Red Cross. After gaining new skills and work experience, Henson plans to return to WIU to obtain a master's degree in communication or counseling.



Leah Henson '13

WIU alumnus—stage combat director

When stage combat instructor **Andrea Robertson '97 MFA '00** stages a theatrical fight, one of her first priorities is the safety of the actors.

After earning two degrees from WIU, Robertson went on to become a certified stage-combat teacher through the Society of American Fight Directors (SAFD). Robertson is one of 88 certified teachers in the United States and one of two in the state of Arizona.

Currently, Robertson is the director of theatre at Paradise Valley Community College, in Phoenix (AZ). She also owns Fight Call, LLC, where she teaches and directs fights for theatre companies, which includes the Arizona Opera Company.

Robertson said she discovered her passion for stage combat while she attended Western.

"WIU gave me a solid foundation for my career in theatre," she said. "Without my time there, I wouldn't be where I am today—with a job I love and a passion for stage combat."

Robertson said she has many great memories of her time at Western and living on campus.

"Some of my fondest memories are living in Thompson Hall and eating up on the 18th floor, finding a huge turtle next to Lake Ruth, walking across campus to the Dairy Queen for ice cream and all the theatre shows in Simpkins Hall, and the other two mainstage theatres," she said. "I have so many good memories—hanging out in Browne Hall between classes, singing in the choir and all my theatre classes."

Robertson said she credits her directing mentor, **Egla Hassan '82**, and her first stage combat teacher, **Paul Dennhardt '87**, with helping foster her career path, as well as theatre faculty members **Gene Kozlowski '67 M.A. '68**, **David Patrick**, **Mim Canny**, **Sonny Bell** and **Ray Gabica**.

For more information on Robertson's business, visit fightcall.com.



Andrea Robertson '97 MFA '00



Foundation

Grice Scholarship legacy

By Julie Murphy '94 M.S. '95

A conversation with **George Grice M.A. '71**, alumnus, benefactor, author, farmer and retired professor, always returns to three common themes: family, teaching and learning, and Western Illinois University.

"Mine is a family of educators, and we have a tradition with Western," said Grice. "My parents, my two sisters, my aunt, my uncle and grandmother all earned education degrees at Western and were teachers at heart. We were farmers, but both my parents taught school, and the importance of education guided our lives."

Grice grew up with his family on their farm, White Gate, near London Mills (IL). His parents, **Wrenn '38** and **Evelyn '38**, each spent more than 20 years teaching. Grice's sisters, **Leanne '74** and **Carol '65**, both followed their parents to Western and earned degrees in education. Grice went away for his undergraduate studies, then returned to Western to complete his master's degree in communication in 1971. He went on to teach in higher education—Trinity University, Sam Houston State University, Auburn University at Montgomery and Radford University, from which he retired in 2008.

His research interests include instructional communication, public address, and business and professional communication. He co-authored 11 editions of three communication textbooks. "Mastering Public

Speaking' is in its 8th edition and has been adopted by more than 100 colleges and universities throughout the nation.

Another of the Grice traditions is generosity, especially

toward Western. Grice established the first family scholarship, the Wrenn and Evelyn Grice Scholarship, in 1985 in honor of his parents. In 1993, the Carol Grice Major Scholarship was named for his sister, followed by the Leanne Grice Porch Scholarship in 1994 to also honor another sister. Again in 1994, he began the **Jessie Ferne Routh Grice Scholarship** to honor his paternal grandmother, a 1929 graduate of Western (in education, of course). Four teacher education

students per year are chosen to be Grice scholars, all planning to teach at the elementary level.

This year, Grice endowed a Faculty Instructional Development Fund in the Department of Communication to fund proposals that make positive differences in classroom instruction and student learning. Projects that are extensions of classroom learning and that engage faculty and students in cooperative study are also encouraged. "I want to encourage active learning in the sphere of the classroom," he said. "This fund is for faculty,

or faculty may sponsor applications from undergraduate students and teaching assistants."

Grice is an advocate of active learning and empowering students with a responsibility for their own learning. "To paraphrase Bel Kaufman ("Up the Down Staircase")," he likes to say, "there's one reason to teach: to make a permanent, positive difference in the life of a student."

George Grice, his parents and two sisters have taught a cumulative total of 130 years. Beyond the classroom, Grice and his family legacy continue to make permanent, positive differences in the lives of Western students. The four Grice family education scholarships have for many years helped students become elementary teachers, and now the Grice Faculty Instructional Development Fund will influence classroom instruction and student

learning.

"George is a rare individual who has carefully and quietly contributed for many years and has built a thoughtful and meaningful scholarship structure in his family's names," said Vice President for Advancement and Public Services **Brad Bainter '79 M.S. '83**. "The addition of an endowment for faculty development is just incredible. Western is made stronger through his friendship, and we are very, very grateful."



George Grice M.A. '71



Evelyn Grice

WIU art restoration project

The Western Illinois University collection of Federal Art Project (FAP) works will be included in the exhibition "A New Deal for Illinois: The Federal Art Project of Western Illinois University," which will be shown at the Figge Art Museum in Davenport (IA) from Sept. 14 - Jan. 5. A catalog will accompany the exhibition.

WIU's Federal Art Project collection was formed in the 1930s when University officials commissioned works through the Public Works of Art Project, and later through the Federal Art Project of the Works Progress Administration (FAP/WPA). The FAP's primary goals were to employ out-of-work artists and to provide art for non-federal government buildings: schools, hospitals, libraries, etc. The work was divided into art production, art instruction and art research.

WIU Art Gallery Director **Ann Marie Hayes-Hawkinson** said Macomb is fortunate to have this collection.

"We can thank President **Morgan** for having the foresight to bring art to campus through these federal programs," she said.

Commissioned works were used to decorate classrooms, hallways and other public spaces on campus. The WIU Art Gallery is now home for these works.

Some of the works in the collection are in need of conservation. Lead by Vice President for Advancement and Public Services **Brad Bainter '79 M.S. '83**, the University and private citizens have responded to a call for conservation. The exhibition and the conservation initiative represent Western's dedicated efforts to preserve and promote knowledge of the important historical legacy

of New Deal art.

"The WIU Federal Art Project Collection is a significant resource, which includes a large number of prominent American artists from the 1930s and 1940s. The collection is a microcosm of the diverse themes and modernist styles produced in the Federal Art Project, which is usually associated with traditional realism and regionalist subjects," said exhibition Curator Gregory Gilbert, who

teaches art history at Knox College in Galesburg (IL).

The exhibition highlights the government policies during the New Deal era. Gilbert noted, "A large number of women, African-Americans and artists from other minority groups, were given an opportunity to pursue professional careers, giving them a sense of equality and cultural inclusion in American society."

Collection highlights include works by Archibald J. Motley Jr., Gertrude Abercrombie, Romolo Roberti and Aaron Bohrod.

The WIU collection also includes portraits by J. Theodore Johnson of President Walter P. Morgan and **Samuel B. Hursh**, Western's first teacher of English literature and grammar.

"Showing our Federal Art Project collection at the Figge is a fantastic opportunity for the University," said Hayes-Hawkinson.

The WIU exhibition is a companion exhibition to "1934: A New Deal for Artists," an exhibition featuring similar works organized by the Smithsonian American Art Museum.

"A lot of people will go to the Figge to see the



Archibald J. Motley Jr.; Jazz Singers, c. 1934; Oil on canvas Western Illinois University Art Gallery; Courtesy of the Fine Arts Program, Public Buildings Service, U.S. General Services Administration; Commissioned through the New Deal art project

Smithsonian works and will see the Western collection while they are there," she added.

WIU's FAP collection will return to Macomb in January, 2014, and the exhibition will be shown at the WIU Art Gallery from Jan. 18 - March 1.

"We are pleased to see this important collection of the University Art Gallery restored and shared," said Bainter. "We thank the sponsors for recognizing the value of these works to the institution and to the public, and for covering the cost of restoration."

Sponsored works are currently at The Conservation Center in Chicago. To help visitors to the exhibition understand what art restoration entails, Hayes-Hawkinson and a University Television crew will visit Chicago to interview conservators. The program will be an educational component in both exhibitions.

"The Federal Art Project Collection works were created more than 80 years ago. We are excited to see how these works will look after restoration." Hayes-Hawkinson said, "By being a good steward of our collection, we are making sure future generations will be able to enjoy them."

An alumni and friends social will be held Oct. 10 at the Figge Art Museum from 6-8 p.m. in conjunction with the exhibition. For more information about the event or to register, call (309) 298-1914 or visit wiu.com/alumni.

Additional conservation sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, contact **Mick Cumbie**, director of Development, College of Fine Arts and Communication, at (309) 298-2620 or mc-cumbie@wiu.edu.

Save the Date

**Andrea Passmore Memorial Golf Benefit
Macomb Country Club Friday, July 26, 2013**

For more information, call (309) 298-1914
or visit wiu.edu/alumni/events.



Homecoming Week

The Rocky Games - Western Is United

Thursday, Oct. 3

5 p.m. Royalty Meet and Greet

Friday, Oct. 4

1-4:30 p.m. Paint the Paws
(front lawn of Western Hall)

Saturday, Oct. 5

8 a.m.-noon Paint the Town (Macomb Square)

Sunday, Oct. 6

noon Rocky's Boat Regatta (Everly Park)
4 p.m. Dec the Campus (Union Mall)

Monday, Oct. 7

All day Dec the Office

Tuesday, Oct. 8

6 p.m. Variety Show (Western Hall)

Thursday, Oct. 10

7 p.m. Yell Like Hell (Western Hall)

Homecoming Weekend

Featuring the classes of 1953, 1963, 1973 and 1988

Friday, Oct. 11

5-9 p.m. Alumni and Friends Social, Alumni House
(Complimentary food, beer, wine and
soda; cash bar available)
2013 Reunion Check-In & Social

Saturday, Oct. 12

8 a.m. Old Stompin' Ground Runaround
5K run/1.5 mile walk, Alumni House
(see registration form p. 10)
8:30 a.m. Reunion Recognition Brunch & Social
9:30 a.m. Coffee and donuts, Alumni House
10:30 a.m. Homecoming Parade—Watch from the
Alumni House and Gwendolyn Brooks
Park
Noon-3 p.m. Alumni Cookout—Menu: brats, burgers,
hot dogs, chips, pasta salad, cupcakes,
beverages and cash bar at
"The Right Place" (the big tent directly
north of Hanson Field)
3 p.m. Leatherneck Football vs. South Dakota
State, Hanson Field

Lodging

On campus:

University Union (309) 298-1941
Olson Hall (309) 298-2413

Off campus:

Comfort Inn (309) 837-2220
America's Best Value Inn (309) 833-4521
Best Western-Macomb Inn . . . (309) 836-6700
Hampton Inn (309) 837-6000
Super 8 (309) 836-8888

Parking

Permits will not be required in lots as of 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 through 7 a.m. Monday, Oct. 14, with the exception of residence hall lots. Visitor parking is not allowed in reserved residence hall lots. Tickets will be issued to violators in handicapped spaces, reserved spaces and no parking zones (any area not designated as a parking space). If you have any questions or a special parking need such as handicapped parking, contact Parking Services at (309) 298-1921.



Call the Office of Student Activities at (309) 298-3232 for details about any of the events held Oct. 3-10.

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Fill out your registration form on p. 10 and join us for Homecoming 2013!



Join us at “The Right Place” t

College of Fine Arts & Communication



Homecoming 2013!

The Rocky Games: Western Is United

Meet with COFAC Dean
William T. (Billy) Clow

COFAC alumni pick up your
FREE LUNCH TICKETS

Cheer on **BAND ALUMNI** marching at
half-time with the Marching Leathernecks



Art ★ Broadcasting ★ Communication
Communication Sciences & Disorders ★ School of Music ★ Theatre & Dance

Student Services



Reconnect with friends and colleagues from the Division of Student Services!

Stop and see us at tailgating or visit with us
in the big tent! Admissions will be on hand with
applications and to answer questions. If you are
planning to attend, please
let us know
in advance by

calling the Vice President for Student Services Office
at (309) 298-1814. Lunch tickets will be available.

We look forward to seeing you this year!!



College of Arts & Sciences

Join the College of Arts and Sciences for a
wonderful lunch and a trip down memory lane.

See all of the wonderful changes on campus
since you graduated. We welcome you and your
family to attend this afternoon of celebration with
many other alumni and friends.

Pick up your complimentary lunch ticket from
our table and visit with our dean, faculty, staff and
other CAS alumni.

Please contact **Bryce Dexter**, CAS director of development at
bm-dexter2@wiu.edu or call (309) 298-1828 for more information.



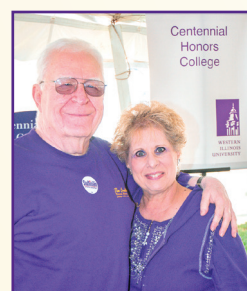
School of Graduate Studies



Join the School of Graduate Studies at “The Right Place”
under the big tent. Learn about graduate programs and
pick up a souvenir, too!

Visit us on the web at wiu.edu/grad or on Facebook at
facebook.com/wiu.edu.grad.

Centennial Honors College



Stop by “The Right Place” and help us celebrate
30 years of Honors at WIU! Visit with our staff and
hear more about our 30th anniversary celebration.
Enjoy great food, great conversation and great
memories with the Centennial Honors College
during Homecoming 2013!

All University Honors graduates are welcome!



The big tent near Hanson Field!

Center for International Studies

Learn about all of the exciting things happening in the Center for International Studies during Homecoming 2013! Stop by our table at "The Right Place" tent if you studied abroad while attending Western, or if you are a former WESL or international student. Visit with our outstanding staff and share your memories with us—we want to see you at Homecoming 2013!



College of Education & Human Services

Welcome back COEHS alumni!

Stop by and see us at "The Right Place" tent this Homecoming! Dean **Sterling Saddler** will be on hand to share with you all of the exciting changes that have happened with the college. While you are there, if you are a COEHS alumnus, be sure to pick up your free lunch ticket and register to win a prize. Our faculty and staff look forward to reconnecting with you!



University Libraries

Meet the new Dean of University Libraries **Michael Lorenzen** at "The Right Place" during Homecoming 2013! Learn about upcoming events and updated services. On Friday of Homecoming Weekend, visit University Archives/Special Collections on the sixth floor of the Leslie F. Malpass Library and view old photos of campus, look through past issues of the Western Courier and enjoy a breathtaking view of campus. Archives will be open until 6 p.m. to allow alumni an opportunity to review the materials.



College of Business & Technology

If you're a CBT graduate, you're in good company—30,000 graduates can't be wrong! Stop by and see us at this year's Homecoming festivities! And, if you're a Business and Technology alumnus—we'll pick up the tab for your lunch at "The Right Place." Email **Lori Boyer '05** (la-boyer@wiu.edu) to reserve your spot!

On hand for the day's activities:

- **Tom Erikson**, dean
- **John Drea**, associate dean
- **Becky Paulsen**, director of development



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Bachelor of Arts in General Studies Degree

Homecoming is an exciting time to visit Macomb! Many of our alumni (BOG, BOT, and now BGS) studied from a distance, never making it to campus. If you're now able to make a trip to Macomb, we'd love to meet you. "The Right Place" is a great opportunity to reunite with your degree program. Stop by our booth and then have lunch in the tent—our treat!



Make Your Homecoming 2013 & 25, 40, 50, 60 Year Reunion Reservations Today!

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 Home phone _____ Home E-mail _____ Cell _____
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 Work address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Work phone _____ Work E-mail _____
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| # _____ Saturday 25, 40, 50, & 60 year Reunion Recognition Brunch, Social and Half-Century Club Induction 8:30 a.m. \$5/person \$ _____ | # _____ Saturday Cookout \$5/person \$ _____ |
| # _____ Football Tickets \$15/person. \$ _____ | # _____ Mums \$5/each \$ _____ |
| # _____ Memory Booklet \$10/each. \$ _____ | # _____ Homecoming T-shirt \$10/each \$ _____ |
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| Signature _____ | 3-digit Security Code _____ |

*For a complete list of scheduled Homecoming events, see p. 7.
 Credit card reservations may also be made online at wiu.com/alumni. Return this form, along with your credit card information or check (payable to WIU Alumni Association) to: WIU Alumni Association, 1 University Circle, Macomb, IL 61455-1390. Credit card reservations may also be faxed to (309) 298-2914, phoned to (309) 298-1914 or visit wiu.com/alumni. Game tickets will be held at the Alumni House until 11 a.m.; they will then be at "The Right Place" tent until game time and at will call after 3 p.m.

27th Annual Homecoming Old Stompin' Ground Runaround 5K Fun Run/1.5 Mile Walk

Time: 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013 **Registration:** 7-7:45 a.m. **Place:** Alumni House
Prizes: Based upon the number, ages and gender of the entrants, prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories with grand prizes going to the first male and female to complete the course.
Fee: \$15 entry fee entitles participants to a commemorative T-shirt (while they last). Sponsored by the WIU Alumni Association and Coca-Cola of Macomb.
Race route: visit wiu.edu/alumni/homecoming
Questions? Call (309) 298-1914 or e-mail A-Association@wiu.edu



Name _____ Class year _____
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 Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ 3-digit Code _____ Signature _____

**Parent or guardian must sign for participants under age 18.
 Being of lawful age and sound mind and desiring to participate in the Homecoming 5K Fun Run/1.5 mile walk Oct. 12, 2013, I do hereby waive, release, and forever discharge any and all rights and claims which may hereafter accrue to me against the City of Macomb or Western Illinois University and their officers, agents, employees, volunteer workers, and assigns for any and all accidents, injuries, damages, or losses incurred by me at this event or through my use of any facilities provided. I further declare that this release binds not only me, but my heirs, executors, and administrators. I am aware of the risks and hazards which may arise through participation in this event and voluntarily assume the same. I certify that I have trained for a race of this distance and weather conditions and am in suitable condition to compete in this event. By signing this release, I hereby certify that I have read and fully understand and accept the conditions and terms contained herein.

Signature _____ Date _____
 Witness _____ Date _____

Please send reservation form and credit card information or check for \$15 (payable to WIU Alumni Association) to: WIU Alumni Association, 1 University Circle, Macomb, IL 61455-1390. Credit card orders may also be faxed to (309) 298-2914 or by phone at (309) 298-1914. Entry will not be accepted without signature above. You may also register at wiu.com/alumni. Your signature will be required at the event.

University Libraries



Symposium on 17th Century manuscript

Western Illinois University Libraries and the School of Music recently hosted a symposium on Restoration Cathedral Music, which included international speakers and a performance by the University Singers. The audience came from surrounding states to discuss topics such as religion, politics and culture during England's tumultuous 17th Century.

The feature of this event was the story behind its inception. In 2010, the WIU School of Music received an anonymous donation of a bound manuscript containing English church music. Upon further research, it was determined to have been written in the hand of William Turner (1651-1740), one of the most regarded composers of the Restoration period (1660-1710).

"Once we confirmed the author of the manuscript, I was determined to bring life to this music once again,"



said **Rod Sharpe**, music librarian.

Sharpe transcribed the music into modern musical notations so it could be played. He then contacted **James Stegall**, director of the University Singers, to see if they would be willing to perform the music during the symposium.

"This was a wonderful opportunity for the University Singers to perform a historical piece," Stegall said. "The students practiced for weeks and were excited to perform something that may not have been heard in centuries."

"I was thrilled to hear the University Singers perform,"

Sharpe said. "It was truly an honor to host such a unique event at Western."

University Libraries' "180" on channel 3

Throughout the year, University Libraries hosts numerous discussions on current affairs and scholarly research over the noon hour in the Leslie F. Malpass Library, room 180. **Bill Thompson and Tammy Sayles**, reference librarians, coordinate the programming for these discussions.

"What better place to discuss current issues and research than in the library," said Thompson. "We have experts on campus who can add perspective to an issue beyond what we see and hear in the news."

Beginning this summer, these discussions will be available to a broader audience. In partnership with University Television (UTV), Thompson is moderating a new cable show, "180," which will be broadcast on WIU-TV Channel 3.

"I am excited for the opportunity to broaden our audience," Thompson added. "Those who are interested in the

topic, but can't get away for the noon hour, will be able to tune into "180" at a later time."

The idea for "180" came from UTV Associate Director **Roger Kent M.S. '01**.



L-R: Bill Polley, economics and decision sciences, Keith Boeckelman, political science, and Bill Thompson, University Libraries, discuss the federal sequester.

"We are constantly looking to expand and diversify our programming at UTV," said Kent. "In the past, we have tried to tape the discussions hosted by University Libraries. Bringing the presenters into the studio and having Dr. Thompson moderate the discussion seemed like a natural fit for a new show."

The series began taping on subjects such as the sequester and Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), both of which had been discussions held in the Malpass Library during the Spring 2013 semester. Anyone outside of the WIU-TV Channel 3 viewing area can view the broadcast stream at wiu.edu/vpaps/utv/streaming_video.php.

Library Atrium Society

The Library Atrium Society was created to support the Western Illinois University Libraries' collections and services through established funds and endowments. The money generated through memberships support University Libraries' efforts to expand educational resources for students, faculty and the general public.

"Library Atrium Society members provide essential financial support to better University Libraries—financial support that the budget cannot fund, but that is essential to our mission," **Michael Jones '12**, director of development for University Libraries, said.

"In the past two years, funds from the Library Atrium Society have been used to purchase 31 computers for the Malpass Library classroom, 10 iPads for the Curriculum Library and potting soil for the 2,000 plants in Malpass Library," Jones added. "In addition, this fund supports an annual \$1,000 Study Abroad Library Student Assistant Scholarship and numerous events, including the recent Music Library's Restoration Cathedral Music Symposium."

Donors can give at any of the four Atrium Society levels, which include Seedling (\$1-\$249), Nurturer (\$250-\$499), Cultivator (\$500-\$999) and Gardener (\$1,000 and above), and enjoy new membership benefits, including bookmarks, a subscription to the University Libraries e-newsletter Inner Scoop, books and advanced notice of events. Gardener level donors will also have an atrium plant named in their honor and be recognized at a special ceremony.

"As everyone knows, these are difficult economic times, and our budget has been shrinking," said Jones. "Donor support is more crucial than ever, and we have several needs going forward, including capital facility projects, technology upgrades, scholarships, equipment upgrades and event support. Tangible items like laptops, furniture, printers and even planters and stands for our plants are much needed. Atrium Society members help us improve resources for our patrons."

For more information on the Library Atrium Society, visit wiu.edu/libraries/administration/development/atriumsociety.php. Anyone interested in making a donation may contact Jones at (309) 298-2356 or M-Jones2@wiu.edu.

University Libraries welcomes new employees

University Libraries welcomes three new employees, **Jason Kubis '08**, **Daneen Richardson** and **Beverly Trusley '89**.

Kubis joined the staff as a microcomputer support specialist in the Computer Services Unit. He provides computer support for the library and patrons.

"I am enjoying the challenges that come with supporting the



L-R: Beverly Trusley '89, Jason Kubis '08 and Daneen Richardson

technology needs of the library community," Kubis said.

Richardson, the health sciences/libraries faculty in October. She has a background in health sciences and has been working with the School of Nursing to update and expand resources.

"As the School of Nursing expands, I am looking forward

to working with the faculty and students to meet their research needs," she said.

Trusley, a library assistant, has joined the Access Services Unit.

"I come from a long line of Western Illinois University graduates. I am thrilled to come back and work at the institution my family has attended for generations," Trusley said.

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On 50 Years at Horn Field Campus: A Great Place to Celebrate Being Alive

By Teresa Koltzenburg '92 M.S. '11

South of Macomb, tucked away from the urban trappings and corn-field landscapes of the hometown of Western Illinois University, is the University's Horn Field Campus (HFC). Those who did not study recreation, park and tourism administration (RPTA, the department at WIU that administers the 92-acre retreat) may have recollections of HFC via its Horn Lodge—where many groups and individuals have gathered for professional and social events over the years—or perhaps from a team-building course there.

In 2015, Horn Field Campus will celebrate 50 years, during which time it has served innumerable individuals as a place for learning and recreation.

Since 1971, when RPTA Professor Emeritus **Frank Lupton** first envisioned the 92-acre haven as an ideal location for the outdoor educational purpose of instructing

his RPTA students, Horn Field Campus has continued to evolve. The large campus provides many amenities, including woodlands, prairie, nature trails, as well as a challenge course that features a high ropes course and a 40-foot climbing/rappelling wall for WIU faculty, students, alumni

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FRANK LUPTON

and community members.

According to “First Century: A Pictorial History of Western Illinois University,” by WIU Distinguished Professor Emeritus **John Hallwas '67 M.A. '68**, the tract of land on which Horn Field Campus sits came to be a part of WIU in the mid-1960s, but the buildings located there were built in the early part of the 20th century.

“[Frank J.] Horn, who owned Coca-Cola Bottling companies in Macomb and other towns, bought the property in 1946. The tract was appraised at \$96,200 when Western bought it. The state paid \$56,000, and the other \$40,200 represented a gift to the University,” Hallwas wrote. “The property included a brick lodge and three brick cabins, which had been built in the 1930s by the former owner, William Bacon.”

Lupton, who retired from Western in 1993, said his vision to use Horn Field Campus as a premier outdoor educational facility started even before he took the faculty position in the RPTA department.

“I would say my vision for it probably started when I interviewed for the position, back in 1971. I liked Western, and I very much liked the field campus,” Lupton said. “I had visions of it becoming like some other outdoor educational facilities I was acquainted with around the country. It is such a great resource—an outdoor center, where a variety of groups can come to learn and enjoy—

and serves a lot of purposes.”

In a recent email sent to current Horn Field Campus Program Coordinator **Mindy Pheiffer '91 M.S. '92**, Lupton closed his message with what many may remember as his signature saying: “The sun is shining and the birds are singing; it's a great day to be alive!” He also expressed his delight to Pheiffer about how the facility is being utilized for educational purposes for the entire campus community.

Pheiffer, who started as the Horn Field Campus program coordinator in 2005, said the uses and programs at Horn Field Campus have grown every decade since it became a part of WIU in the 1960s.

“In a recent conversation I had with [WIU Professor Emeritus] **Maurice Kellogg '48 MS-Ed '56**, I learned he started teaching at Western in 1958 and used the field campus in the '60s for science education. Then in the '70s, Frank Lupton started the evolution of the outdoor field campus for outdoor education. This is when the trails were built, the native prairie was restored, and when the teams course began,” Pheiffer explained. “I was first introduced to Horn Field Campus during my undergrad years in the late '80s when I discovered RPTA. I joined the master's program in the early '90s, as I fell in love with the entire concept of outdoor education, and Horn Field Campus was my Utopia. Being outdoors surrounded by nature is where I think we all need to be at some time or another. Then add to that the concept of human growth and development, which the challenge course activities provide. We don't often talk about values in the classroom, but the activities at Horn Field Campus embody and extend value-driven concepts to all who participate.”

Pheiffer noted she will continue to tell the story of Horn Field Campus and promote its value. She is developing future plans that include upgrades to the building facilities on the campus.

“The lodge is a focal point of Horn Field Campus and conjures up memories for many people. We want Horn Lodge to retain its rustic feel. It is a place for people to gather, converse and promote collegiality,” Pheiffer

said. “Our biggest constraint for growth is deferred maintenance.”

Horn Field Campus is home to the Environmental Conservation and Outdoor Education Expedition (ECOEE) program, a semester-long field studies program, which was started by Lupton in 1976. **Jeff Tindall M.S. '90**, an instructor in the RPTA department and the leader of ECOEE, noted the lack of storage facilities and proper educational facilities require the faculty and students to engage in a lot of “work-arounds.”

Lupton, Tindall and Pheiffer all agree that updated, larger facilities could help take Horn Field Campus to the next level.

“I think it would be wonderful to build additional facilities so they could have some larger kind of events, which would attract people from across the country. It has that kind of potential,” Lupton noted.

“More programming could take place and larger crowds could be accommodated for classes and banquets,” Tindall said. “Storage of gear and outfitting for courses would be much more efficient, too. Currently, gear is stored in shared space in Horrabin Hall. Canoes and kayaks have to be moved to have access to the rooms in which the gear is stored, and often gear has to be moved in order to get to other gear. In general, outfitting for a course can be problematic because of the shared space.”

Pheiffer noted her students and her RPTA colleagues continue to help make the buildings at Horn Field Campus work even in the face of having to use outdated facilities.

“The lodge is currently used for RPTA classes, Wilderness First Responder Certification courses, as well as by several academic units at WIU and Spoon River College. We also accommodate many types of conferences, workshops, meetings and social gatherings—and not only for WIU groups, but also community groups, churches, Macomb

Youth Leadership, several scout groups and service organizations,” she explained. “This is the only facility and academic program of its kind in the nation; RPTA was recently designated as one of WIU's ‘signature’ programs, and the challenge course is the only facility of its kind

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M.S. '92, HORN FIELD
CAMPUS PROGRAM
COORDINATOR



To commemorate Arbor Day in April, **Mindy Pheiffer '91 M.S. '92** (kneeling in photo), RPTA students, as well as a number of volunteers, planted 8,000 saplings at Horn Field Campus, which were purchased with funds from an Arbor Day Foundation grant.

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WIU dietetics student receives \$5,000 Food Safety Scholarship

By Teresa Koltzenburg '92 M.S. '11

It was a busy end of the Spring 2013 semester for Western Illinois University dietetics major **Deidra Carter**. Although it's a challenging time of year for most students, for Carter, a junior from Chicago, in addition to attending to her regular coursework load, she was working on a detailed food-safety program. In early March, Carter learned she was selected to receive an Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Foundation/ConAgra Foods Food Safety Student Challenge Scholarship. And so began Carter's flurry of work to finish her regular end-of-the-semester college coursework assignments and projects, as well as develop, plan, implement, record and submit her food-safety program for the challenge award.

After applying and achieving selection this past spring, to earn the \$5,000 scholarship, Carter had to develop a program that incorporated the Home Food Safety organization's four key messages: wash hands often; keep raw meat and ready-to-eat food separate; cook to proper temperatures; and refrigerate promptly. She said faculty in the dietetics, fashion merchandising and hospitality (DFMH)



Deidra Carter

department were key in helping her develop and publicize her food safety program, which she designed as a cooking class for 10 individuals considered to be part of an at-risk population for food-borne illness.

"My goal was to teach food safety, and I wanted to model my instruction after the food safety we learned in the courses we take as dietetics majors. I decided to focus on students who are currently living in the residence halls but then will be moving into apartments next semester," Carter explained. "When you never have had to cook for yourself, there are a lot of things about food safety you may not know. For example, you should not mix raw meat together with produce on the same cutting board when you're preparing food. The cooking class was an interactive way for them to learn about this, as well as other food safety preparation tips."

According to the Food Safety Student Challenge Scholarship requirements, students selected were required to execute the program as described in the student's application; incorporate the Home Food Safety organization's four key messages; use and promote resources available at homefoodsafety.org; and provide

a progress report and a final report by June 15 (with a written narrative, as well as with either photos or video that will be highlighted on the organization's website).

Carter, who was serving as a resident assistant in Olson Hall in 2012-13, said she was able to recruit from her floor for program participants, noting the food safety program she developed also helped fulfill her resident assistant program development duties.

She held her food safety class in the kitchen lab in Knoblauch Hall, and the 10 participants were divided into groups of two and partnered with a junior or a senior dietetics student. According to Carter, **Lorri Kanauss '94 MS-Ed '97**, associate professor in the DFMH department, was key in helping her implement the class.

"Dr. Kanauss helped me recruit other dietetics students to help supervise the different stations in my cooking class," Carter explained. "The faculty members were so awesome. They helped me a great deal when I was really stressed out about this project. For me, it wasn't the issue of getting the work done, I was just very timid about having to lead a cooking class and market it myself, because I don't see myself as very good at marketing. **Dr. Carol Longley** [assistant professor in the DFMH department] also helped me with the publicity for the program. They were all very encouraging."

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within at least a 100-mile radius. To be able to serve more current students and potential students with upgraded, expanded facilities makes sense."

Recognizing the need for an outdoor education building has set Pheiffer into action. With the assistance of the HFC Advisory Board, many years have been devoted to creating a master plan and drawing physical plans for a building.

"The dream of the committee, the faculty and everyone involved at HFC is to have a state-of-the-art facility equipped with the basics of restrooms, showers, laundry and food-prep area, along with a staging facility for experiential trips and classrooms."

On the precipice of its golden anniversary, HFC has received a bit of upgrade to its woodlands. Thanks to a grant from the Arbor Day Foundation, written by RPTA Assistant Professor Rob Porter and David King, executive director of Prairie Hills Resource Conservation and Development, Inc., the campus is becoming a model for western Illinois reforestation initiatives. The award will help facilitate its ongoing strategic plan: to continue to work toward making HFC's forest and prairie areas ecologically healthy, recreationally safe and aesthetically pleasing. Around Arbor Day this past April, Pheiffer, Porter, King, RPTA students, as well as a number of volunteers, planted 8,000 saplings, which were purchased with the grant's funds.

Pheiffer said she is looking forward to the next adventure for HFC when, in 2015, it celebrates its 50th anniversary of being part of WIU. She noted she welcomes involvement from faculty, students, alumni and friends of HFC in planning the celebration.

For more information about ways you can get involved, contact Pheiffer at (309) 833-5798, MJ-Pheiffer@wiu.edu or the RPTA office at (309) 298-1967.

WIU alumnus named GLSEN Educator of the Year

By Teresa Koltzenburg '92 M.S. '11

An alumnus of Western Illinois University has been named the GLSEN (the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network) 2013 Educator of the Year. **Matthew Beck MS-Ed '08**, who graduated with his M.S. Ed. in school counseling from WIU-Quad Cities (WIU-QC), was recognized with the annual award by the organization last week. Beck is in his sixth year as a professional school counselor at Erie Elementary School in Erie (IL).

According to a May 7 GLSEN press release, the organization's Educator of the Year honor "recognizes an exceptional education professional who has enriched his or her community by ensuring that all students, particularly lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) students, are safe from bullying and harassment. The award honors an educator who works not only to ensure safety, but impacts measurable change that is visible within that person's school district and community."

The GLSEN release stated that, last year, the Erie Community Unit School District school board banned GLSEN materials and elementary school resources that teach respect for all families and address anti-LGBT name-calling. According to GLSEN, the district banned such programs as "No Name-Calling Week," which is endorsed by more than 50 national education and youth organizations. The district also banned "Ready,

Set Respect!," an elementary school toolkit created in partnership with the National Association of Elementary School Principals and the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

In response to the ban, Beck worked to produce a reading night activity to address the inability to use these materials in the school.

"After GLSEN and resources that depicted same sex families, nontraditional family structures and LGBT were not allowed to be used at Erie Elementary School, parent advocates kept asking me as the professional school counselor for ways for their children to hear these messages. Along with parent and colleague support, retired area teachers read age-appropriate inclusive books and GLSEN materials and led our evening in healthy and respectful conversations. Many parents, community members and children attended the educational reading night. Author Todd Parr sent a personal Skype to Erie children

reading his favorite story, "The Family Book," Beck explained.

According to Beck, before the ban, the Erie Elementary School has benefited immensely from GLSEN programs. He noted that GLSEN's "Ready, Set, Respect!" tool-kit helped the elementary school tackle biased language and name-calling concerns in early 2012 and helped build



Matthew Beck MS-Ed '08

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Constructing a coaching career

By Teresa Koltzenburg '92 M.S. '11

Bonnie Henrickson M.S. '86 is self-admitted Diet Mountain Dew addict. While the caffeinated concoction certainly has helped fuel the Western Illinois University graduate's interminable drive, her background—she grew up in Minnesota and said of her upbringing, "My parents are both hard-working, blue-collar types who have the mentality, 'Find a way to get it done, and they instilled that in us.'"—and her passion for women's basketball have been key to her collegiate-level career success.

In March, Henrickson's team, the University of Kansas Women's Basketball Jayhawks, made its second appearance in as many years in the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Sweet Sixteen.

Since she finished her master's degree in exercise science at Western, she has gone on to a successful career as an assistant coach in collegiate women's basketball (Virginia Tech and the University of Iowa), as well as a winning head coach of women's basketball at Virginia Tech and the University of Kansas. Her head coach web page on the Jayhawks' site has a long description of her winning career ... so far.

"When Henrickson took over at Virginia Tech for the 1997-98 season, she orchestrated the biggest turnaround in school history. She guided her team to a 22-10 record, the school's first Atlantic 10 Conference title and an NCAA second-round appearance just one season after the Hokies had finished last in the Atlantic 10 Conference with a 10-21 record," the web page states (see www.kuathletics.com/sports/w-baskbl/mtt/henrickson_bonnie00.html). "Henrickson, who owns a total of 20 years of coaching experience, has helped guide teams to postseason play 14 of the last 16 years. After serving as assistant coach for the Hokies from 1988-93, Henrickson was elevated to associate

head coach for the 1993-94 season. That year, Virginia Tech improved its record to 24-6 and made its first-ever NCAA appearance. The following season Tech recorded its first NCAA tournament win."

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Henrickson also admits she didn't necessarily start out with the desire to coach women's basketball. After playing ball for St. Cloud State University in Minnesota—where, from 1981-85, she was a three-time Northern Sun Conference All-Conference player—under Gladys Ziemer, it was a connection through her head coach that brought her to Western and, ultimately, to her coaching career.

"I had wanted to own my own sporting goods store, but at St. Cloud State, I was on the five-year plan, so my fifth year, I got to a chance to get involved and be a student assistant for my head coach and director of women's athletics there, Coach Ziemer," she explained. "She had worked with **Helen Smiley**, who had, at the time, been named women's athletic director at Western."

After arriving at Western in 1985, Smiley hired a new women's basketball coach, Kelly Hill, who then needed to hire staff.

"I think Kelly brought one person with her, and she hired me as a graduate assistant. So not only was I a student and graduate assistant at Western, I had the opportunity to serve as a full-time assistant coach—thus came my addiction to Diet Mountain Dew and all the caffeine that comes with it," Henrickson laughed. "I have been very blessed. These two people, Dr. Smiley and Kelly Hill, who I have a tremendous amount respect for, are

the individuals with whom I began my coaching career." Doing double duty—coaching and studying—at times, Henrickson said, pushed her to her limits. While her WIU instructors afforded her the flexibility she needed in her coursework to serve as a full-time assistant coach, she, nevertheless, maintained a grueling schedule for the two years of her graduate program.

"I remember one night I was in Minneapolis, in my hometown area, recruiting," Henrickson said. "After the game, my sister asked me, 'Are you going to stay at the house?' And I said, 'No, I'm leaving. I have to drive back because I need to get to my 8 a.m. class. I'm probably going to have to miss more, so I need to get there.' Of course, my sister told me I was crazy. But I was wearing two hats at that time, and I wanted to make sure I did it right."

From her many coaching accomplishments, it's clear that Henrickson still does it right. While she continues to maintain the unrelenting schedule of a winning collegiate-level head coach, she still looks back at her time at WIU as formative for her.

"Even now, I can still say to myself, 'Listen, if you found a way to gut that out and get that job done and do it right while trying to help a women's program, well, you can get through this,'" she noted. "My time at WIU allowed me to focus and dial in. I don't know if I could have planned it any better—for me to start that way and have the opportunity to do both, study and coach. And to have Dr. Smiley, who was strong, proud and was a tremendous advocate for opportunities for women... Well, I can truly say that WIU was just a great place for me. It really was."



**Bonnie Henrickson
M.S. '86**

Western High/Academy All-School Party to celebrate 13th year

The 13th Annual Western High/Academy All-School Party is slated for Friday, June 28 in Macomb on the second floor of the Ritz in downtown Macomb. According to **John Knowles**—who graduated from Western High in 1968 and from Western Illinois University in 1976—hundreds of graduates and some teachers attend each year.

"We will probably charge a \$5 admission fee, as we have to pay rent for use of the Ritz (we have exclusive use of the entire second floor). The amount we collect over the cost of rent will again be applied to the Western High Scholarship Fund," Knowles explained in a recent email to Western High alumni and former faculty.

This year, according to **Christie Carmack '10, M.S.**

'12—who graduated from Western High in 1973—marks the 40th anniversary of the closing of Western High at WIU.

Alumni celebrating the reunions of their specific classes, which include class years ending in the numerals three or eight, will be gathering at the Friday Night Party to begin to reunite. Some classes will be represented on floats in the Heritage Days Parade, which starts at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 29, and then will celebrate their class reunions Saturday evening.

"We're hoping, too, to have a tour of Simpkins Hall at 1 p.m. Saturday (June 29), and those who are interested, can just show up at the front door," he noted. "Because of

Heritage Days—when Macomb celebrates its founding—there are lots of other activities for the whole family."

According to Knowles, it is likely the 2014 Heritage Days festival will be moved to the third weekend in June in order to avoid conflicting with Railroad Days in Galesburg. To accommodate this, Heritage Days and the Western High/Academy All-School Party will be held the weekend of June 19-22, 2014.

"Please consider joining the 'Western High, Macomb, IL' group on Facebook, as there are lots of interesting discussions, reunions and remembrances occurring there," Knowles added.

For more information, contact Knowles at JKNOWLES@davisrothwell.com.

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Going global

This past spring, WIU's Department of Curriculum and Instruction Assistant Professor **Terry Smith** served as the moderator of a four-week Landmark Games project through which Macomb-based St. Paul School students participated in a scavenger hunt with others from around world.

By **Lainie Steelman '98**

Note: This story appeared in the March 8 issue of the McDonough County Voice

St. Paul School students are in the midst of a global scavenger hunt.

Fifth and sixth graders in **Christina Reinhardt '09** and **Laura Cody's MS-Ed '08** respective classes are participating in the Landmark Games, a four-week project that includes 91 teams of students from around the world.

The object of the game is for each team to write clues describing a landmark of their choosing—using latitude, longitude, dates, history, language and culture. Each week a team sends out three new clues about their landmark. Using email, a team may ask another team that sent the clues one "yes" or "no" question per week.

"It has been a great experience for these kids," Cody said of her sixth-grade students. "They're hitting all subject areas integrated into one project, and they don't even really know they're doing it."

Cody's team of students named themselves the "Macomb Homies." The students settled on the Old Cathedral in St. Louis for their landmark because they (were scheduled to visit it) on their class trip in May. They also considered a landmark closer to home.

"We did consider the World War II prisoner of war camp, Camp Ellis," Cody said, "and I kind of wanted that one because we're

going to study the Holocaust in a couple of weeks."

Reinhardt's fifth-grade students named themselves "Baker's Dozen." Their chosen landmark is Fallingwater, the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed home in southwest Pennsylvania.

Reinhardt said a student suggested the home after seeing a Lego model of it.

Sixth-grader Maya Sadler-Stovall has been finding ways to enjoy the game.

"I'm seriously no good at this," she said, "but I like looking at the clues and trying to figure stuff out."

Sadler-Stovall proclaimed one of the landmarks she discovered through the project, the catacomb burial chambers in Rome, Italy, as "creepy."

Cody said the landmark clues are difficult but, through use of the classroom desktop computers and iPads,

students are learning how to improve their online research skills.

"They're learning how you just can't search a word," she said. "You have to think about what words are important. You can't search a whole sentence because it's not going to get you the information you need. They're learning how to hone in on their research terms and words that use to be able to get ideas."

Reinhardt added, "It teaches them when to be specific. If you type in something broad, you're going to get millions, if not billions, of answers. There are a lot of insignificant words in a sentence."

Reinhardt said the project would be a different one without the technologies available today. To aid

their online research, students use applications such as

"To see kids that enthusiastic to learn and to research and to work together is what any teacher wants to see."

- **CHRISTINA REINHARDT '09, ST. PAUL SCHOOL TEACHER**

Google Earth.

"My class has really relied on the globe to look up the latitudes and longitudes and the maps," she said, "but if we didn't have the technology just to Google things, I don't think this would exist. I think that it is based on having the technology."

Without the technology, Reinhardt said they wouldn't even be able to connect to all the different parts of the world.

Sixth grade student Cameron Baker said he tries to narrow down landmark clues by trying to figure out whether it is in the northern or southern hemisphere.

"I also try to concentrate on the

year," he added.

Throughout the project, students will figure out 33 landmarks. At the end of the unit, the project's moderator, Terry Smith, an assistant professor of curriculum and instruction at Western, will send teachers the answers to the clues. Cody said her students will go back at the landmarks they missed and see how the clues fit into it.

According to Smith, students from the United States, Russia, England, Spain, Australia and Lebanon are participating the Landmark Games project. Cody said students are learning everything from research skills to math to history while participating in the project, it's the collaboration with not only their classmates but with other teams that is the real benefit.

"They're really having fun hearing from other countries," she said. "The collaborative learning that you see is amazing—working together and what they're finding out."

"To see kids that enthusiastic to learn and to research and to work together is what any teacher wants to see," Reinhardt added. "It's just ideal."

Follow the Landmark Games project at <http://kidlink.org/project/landmark>.

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- **LAURA CODY MS-ED '08, ST. PAUL SCHOOL TEACHER**

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more culturally responsive classrooms by recognizing and fostering the diversity of all students, staff and families.

Beck, who describes his philosophy as one that encompasses "respect for all," is a presenter in the educational community and helps schools address LGBT and multicultural issues. Since earning his master's degree in school counseling, he has presented in several educational courses that address creating safe and affirming school climates. Since 2010, Beck has worked with graduate level students in group counseling settings and served as a substitute instructor for faculty in the WIU Department of Counselor Education.

"I learned about the school counseling program available at Western from Dr. **Holly Nikels**, and as a student there, the faculty taught me to epitomize the strength that you do not give up and retreat when setbacks arise, especially when it goes against what is ethical. My

philosophy has been fostered by my professional training, mentorship and advocacy that I learned at Western," he said. "Professional school counselors serve as agents of change in schools by creating comprehensive and developmental programs that teach children it is okay to be different, that families come in all shapes and sizes and that respect for others is the common goal we can all share and strive for. The professional mentorship provided to me by Dr. Nikels prepared me to design school counseling programs in which every child can learn to their fullest potential."

According to Nikels, Beck's commitment to his students and his profession are apparent in all he does.

"On behalf of WIU's counselor education department, I want to congratulate Matt on this well-deserved honor. He consistently uses what is best for children as his compass in developing and implementing prevention programming and interventions for his students. Matt is a respected counseling professional, an honorable WIU alumnus and

a cherished colleague. We are proud to have been a part of his journey," Nikels said.

Beck added that Erie's motto—which is "Where Children Come First"—has served as his motivation and kept him focused and grounded in creating welcoming classrooms for all over the last year.

"Erie educators have partnered with me in advocating for positive, respectful and inclusive programs," Beck said. "For my students, I just want them to remember to keep celebrating who they are."

For more information, contact Beck at (563) 340-7376 or via e-mail at mattjb77@hotmail.com.

Learn more about the WIU-QC counselor education department at www.wiu.edu/coehs/qc/cned/.

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diversity certification from the State of Illinois Business Enterprise Program and the Women's Business Enterprise National Council.

Prior to b+a, Kolodzey held executive positions from 1980-1991 at a number of leading advertising agencies including D'Arcy MacManus & Masius, Bayer Bess Vanderwarker and J. Walter Thompson USA, directing campaigns in the food, personal care and entertainment industries.

Kolodzey has also been active with numerous civic and philanthropic organizations over her 33-year career, serving on boards and advisory committees for Chicago Public Schools Adopt-a-School Program, CRIS Radio, YWCA and the Women's HIV Program at Northwestern Memorial Hospital. She has committed significant time and resources to the environment, earning certification as a Master Gardener from the University of Illinois, serving as an adviser for Chicago River initiatives, and volunteering at the Chicago Botanic Garden and the Dixon National Tallgrass Prairie Seed Bank. Kolodzey has been a generous supporter of WIU throughout the years, donating to various WIU programs and providing guidance to WIU Marketing. Most recently, she has established a scholarship at WIU to help support graduates of the East Village Youth Program in Chicago who are attending Western Illinois University. Kolodzey and her husband live in Winnetka (IL). They have two children.

Garvey, an accountancy graduate, is currently a senior vice president at NERA Economic Consulting and was formerly the managing director in the Disputes and Investigations practice at Navigant. Previously, he was the segment leader of Navigant's Economics Practice for four years. Garvey was the president of Chicago Partners, which was sold to Navigant in May 2008. Garvey's career has spanned across the largest corporations in public accounting and consulting. In the 1980s and early 1990s, he served as partner for Deloitte & Touche before branching out and creating an independent consulting business. He has also served as partner and market team leader for the business Fraud and Investigation Services unit of Arthur Andersen, LLP. Garvey, a certified public accountant, has testified or directed complex litigation matters regarding fraud, merger and acquisition disputes, bankruptcy and more. He has represented numerous companies and individuals before regulatory bodies including the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodities Futures Trading Commission (CFTC). Garvey has appeared as an expert in Delaware Chancery Court, Bankruptcy Court, State and Federal courts and in various administrative forums and has also served as an independent arbitrator.

He received the Outstanding Alumni Award from the WIU Department of Accountancy in 2001. He and his wife, Sarah, served as the 2008 Executives in Residence in the College of Business and Technology. He serves on President **Jack Thomas'** National Advisory Council.

Throughout the years, Garvey has provided financial support to Western, having established an endowed professorship in the College of Business and Technology and giving to scholarships in the accountancy department, the President's Scholarship Fund and sponsorships for Alumni Programs. In his community, he has served on the board of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Chicago for 25 years, and also serves on the boards of the Catherine Cook School and the Civic Federation. He is a member of the Parents' Leadership Council for Boston College, where his son Jack is a sophomore.

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for those who demonstrate the potential to succeed."

According to Hawkinson, with so much uncertainty surrounding higher education and with the state of Illinois' budget situation, the new admissions standards are another example of Western's efforts that allow students and families to better plan.

"Our admissions criteria, our scholarships and our four-year cost lock-in, and graduation guarantees are set so students and families can prepare. From the moment students step onto our campus, they will know what to expect in order to graduate," Hawkinson added. "Students will know if they can be admitted to WIU, and they'll know if they qualify for Western Commitment Scholarships. Students have the peace of mind knowing that their tuition, fees and room and board will not change for four years. And depending on their majors, they'll have a guaranteed degree plan to graduate in four years through our GradTrac program. Students come to Western Illinois University knowing they will receive a quality and affordable education at WIU."

Western Illinois University will present the new admissions standards to high school guidance counselors at the annual Illinois Association of College Admission Counseling articulation conferences throughout the state in September.

For more information about admissions standards at WIU, contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at (309) 298-3100, or email admissions@wiu.edu.

WIU moves into grade schools

What do sixth grade students at Edison School in Macomb have in common with sixth graders at King Elementary in Vancouver (WA) and kindergartners at Riverton (IL) Elementary? Western Illinois University is "their" school.

As part of an "adopt-a-classroom" initiative, the University Bookstore, in conjunction with University Housing and Dining Services, have adopted the Edison class, taught by Marcy Lantz, and the King Elementary class, taught by **Pam Dickey '94** (who, in addition to being an alumnus, has another Western connection— Courier Adviser and Journalism Professor **Rich Moreno** is Dickey's brother), while the WIU Foundation has adopted the Riverton class, taught by WIU teacher education alumna **Liz Watkins '10**.

The Macomb students recently hopped on a Go West bus and visited campus, where they were treated to lunch at the new Corbin-Olson dining center, a Skype session with their Washington "sister" school and a tour of campus. In January, the class was outfitted in Think Purple t-shirts, and in March, they had the opportunity to wear those shirts and watch the Leathernecks men's basketball team win the league championship in Western Hall. The Washington students have received Think Purple/WIU gear and classroom decor as well, and keep in touch with their school via email and Skype. One step into Watkins' kindergarten class shows the classroom's Leatherneck spirit.

"The point of the 'adopt-a-classroom' program is really two-fold: it creates a buzz in their school for the program and for Western, and it creates a feeling within our local schools specifically that Western Illinois University is their university," said University Bookstore (and Go West) Director **Jude Kiah**. "We hope that by planting these positive seeds within our local schools, we will reap the rewards as they continue their education."

Julie Murphy '94 M.S. '95, director of Foundation communications and donor stewardship, echoed Kiah's sentiments: programs such as this foster not only recognition for Western Illinois University, but for higher education in general.

"These 'adopt-a-classroom' programs show the students that there is a college or university there for them when it's time to select a school," Murphy added. "They've made that connection early, and when they begin looking at schools, they will remember their Western connection. And the fact that our Riverton classroom is led by a WIU alumnus further reinforces our University's commitment to its students and alumni."

As a WIU alumnus, Watkins had approached her alma mater about providing some Western memorabilia for her classroom as part of her school's program.

"Partnering with Western has given kindergarten students the awareness of college," she said. "They are excited to wear their Western shirts every Friday and we even say a Western chant. Seeing them excited about going to college brings joy to me."

Alumnus in Afghanistan



Captain James Nardelli '08 in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan.

Alumni-Admissions Initiative Update

From Director of Admissions Andy Borst...

Greetings Alumni! Thank you for all of your efforts to help tell your WIU story to prospective students and their families. As we continue to tell the WIU story, I have some excellent news to share about this fall's class of new students. Please see p. 1 for all of the details.

As high school seniors pick their future colleges and as juniors begin their college search, thank you for sharing your Western story with students and parents. Please say with pride that good things are happening at WIU and be proud to be a Leatherneck alumnus!

wiu.edu/alumni/recommend.php

CLASS NOTE CRITERIA

Information received will be published in the next edition of Western News only if any of the following have occurred in the past 12 months: a job change; promotion; special honor; retirement; marriage/ civil union (include date); births or adoptions (include date).

Information will be listed by year of first degree earned. Due to the high volume of address changes, information will not be published if there simply has been a change of address. All information submitted will be updated in the alumni database and can be viewed in the online alumni directory as well as in the online version of Western News at wiu.edu/alumni.

— WIU Alumni Programs

1963

Jerry Forbes, Port Tobacco, MD, is a senior physicist at Energetics Technology Center, is an adjunct professor of engineering at the University of Maryland and has written a book entitled "Shock Wave Compression of Condensed Matter-A Primer," which was published in March 2013. (jforb@comcast.net)

1967

Kendra Crowell Hurd, Springfield, published her first book "Finding the Silver Lining in Divorce: What To Do When 'I Do' Turns to 'I Don't.'" (kkc6345@aol.com)

1970

Ronald Dunn, Normal, is retired. (redunn.65@gmail.com)

1971

Deborah McConnell, Naperville, is a self-employed instructional designer/technical writer. (dmccConnell@wideopenwest.com)

1972

Linda North Aavang, Woodstock, is a teacher/consultant for the Richmond School District.

Steven Aavang, Woodstock, is the President of Aavang Enterprises and has published a book "In Love With Freedom."

1974

Mike Wisniewski, Naperville, was elected to a two-year term as a director for the Will/South Cook Soil and Water Conservation District.

1975

Teresa Mock Krause, Kihei, HI, is a sales and marketing assistant at Kumu Farms

Western Wednesdays

The Stretch Bar & Grill in Chicago, IL, February 6, 2013



L-r: Tim Malloy, Alumni Council member Carol Scott '70, Adam Archuleta, Jenna Steiner Archuleta '01, Kelley Ippian '08, Davies Adefeso, Lori Austin Adefeso '03, Lisa Shulz '98, Evie Baker Caprel '79, Tom Caprel '79 '81, Victor Iorfida '81, Charles Whitaker '10 and Lori Waters Bilbrey '90 '96 '08.

in Wailuku.

Pete Merkel, McHenry, is retired after 34 years as the director of the City of McHenry Parks and Recreation Department. (petermerkel@yahoo.com)

1977

Kirk Dillard, Hinsdale, was appointed assistant Republican Leader of the Illinois State Senate.

Jane Pedersen Sorensen, Algonquin, is the general manager of the central region at FedEx Trade Networks in Elk Grove Village. (calamityord@comcast.net)

1978

Donald Giebel, Indian Creek, is retired after 34 years of teaching for the Wauconda School District. (gibeldon@comcast.net)

1980

Alan Greenberg, Emmaus, PA, is a senior director of IT security and risk compliance at PPL in Allentown.

Thomas Helgeson, Colorado Springs, CO, is a certified financial planner. (tom.helgeson@edwardjones.com)

Kathy James, Lockport, is an attorney/partner at Judge, James & Kujawa, LLC in Park Ridge. (kathy-james@live.com)

Donald Van Arsdale, Deerfield, is the executive director at Techny Towers Conference Center in Techny. (donald.vanarsdale@gmail.com)

1982

Susan Savage MS '01, Tallahassee, FL, is the director of annual giving at Florida State University.

1983

Rob Hatfield, Chiangmai, Thailand, is the language center director at the Asian Institute of Technology in Pathumthani. (ajaanrobcmu@gmail.com)

Michael McAuliffe MBA '86, Tinley Park, is the purchasing manager at Binba Manufacturing in University Park. (mikemcauliffe22@gmail.com)

Steven Peterburs, Morton, is a regional IT manager for the Illinois Department of Transportation in Peoria.

Beth Bansfield Rutherford, Spartanburg, SC, is the executive director at SPIHN. (beths5boys@aol.com)

Scott Thompson, Rushville, is the Mayor of Rushville. (sathompson@alumni.iastate.edu)

1985

Brenda Link Petersburs, Morton, works in the registrar's office at Bradley University in Peoria.

1986

Danielle Washburn Lisenbey, Marietta, GA, is the President & Chief Executive Officer at Broadspire, a Crawford Company in Atlanta. (dlisenbey@choosebroadspire.com)

1987

Miriam Parmenter Matthias, Marseilles, is a guide for Zip Line Chicago and volunteers at Starved Rock State Park as an interpreter.

1988

Todd Basteau, Chesterfield, MO, was appointed CEO of Bunge North America. **Craig Sewell**, Carlsbad, CA, is the director of security and crisis management at ARRIS in San Diego. (wlcso1@motorola.com)

1991

Melissa Hay Redding, Sherrard, is an employment security program representative for the Illinois Department of Employment Security in Rock Island. (bright_advantage@yahoo.com)

1992

Michael Glasgow, Fishers, IN, is an account executive at Manhattan Associates. (theglasgowfamily@hotmail.com)

James Quattrochi, Somonauk, is a sales professional at Healthcare Solutions Team in Lombard. (jquattrochi@aplanforeveryone.com)

Johannes Tsheola MA, Mankweng, S. Africa, is a professor at the University of Limpopo, is the editor & chair of the scientific committee of the First International Conference on Development Finance & Economic Transformation and the editor of the South African Journal of Development & Transformation. (johannes.tsheola@ul.ac.za)

1994

Joseph Lampinen, McHenry, is the director of engineering services at Kelly Services Inc. in Arlington Heights and was recently credentialed as a Certified Manufacturing Engineer. (lampijw@kellyengineering.com)

Bloomington Alumni & Friends

Lancaster's Restaurant, February 7, 2013



Seated l-r: Brittany Dunleavy '10, John Venzon '10, Honorary Alumni Award recipient and President Emeritus Al Goldfarb, President Jack Thomas, Clifford Arbogast '66 '76 '83 and Brian Chase '96. Standing l-r: Mike Bleich '73 '79, Curt Grusy '73, David Owens '73, Alumni Council member Shari Gresham Rich '91 '93, Phyllis McCluskey Titus '79 '81, Mike Kerber '66 and Foundation Board member Larry Horvath '85.



L-r: Alumni Achievement Award recipient Chuck Armitage '59 '62, Mary Armitage, President Jack Thomas, Steve Stapleton '79 '80, Brad Glenn '79 and Ronda Glenn.

1995

Michael Callahan, Moline, is a voice instructor/owner at Callahan Music Studio and was named the music director of Chordbusters Barbershop Chorus in Davenport, IA. (1641music@gmail.com)

Ramona Hicks MS, St. Louis, MO, is an assistant vice president & dean of students at Saint Louis University and has been named one of the 2013 ACPA Diamond Honoree recipients for contributions in higher education and student affairs.

1996

Mia Angellotti Allen, Orland Park, is the owner of Rose Pallet in Bridgeview. (miaandjustin@yahoo.com)

1998

Justin Allen, Orland Park, is vice president of sales at RIM Logistics in Roselle. **James "Coach" Edlen**, Snellville, GA, was named the 2012 Georgia ASA Umpire of the Year by the Amateur Softball Association.

1999

Justin Davis MM '09, Greensboro, NC, is the interim director of instrumental activities at Houghton College in Houghton, NY. (justin.davis@houghton.edu) **Seth Roderick**, Stafford, VA, is the project manager - executive protection at Oracle Corporation in Reston. (seth.roderick@oracle.com)

2000

Jason Buckley, Laura, is a patrol lieutenant for Peoria County Sheriff's Office. (jbuckley@peoriacounty.org)

2001

Julie Cagle Eggleston MS '08, Sugar Grove, is the executive director at the Kishwaukee Special Recreation Association in DeKalb. (jeggleston@dekalbparkdistrict.com)

2002

Ryan Kalb, San Diego, CA, is a senior research associate at Synthetic Genomics Inc. in La Jolla.

2003

Thomas Baker, Los Angeles, CA, is the vice president at Qualified Billing & Collections. (thomasbaker@yahoo.com) **Shari Duffy**, Honolulu, HI, is a fire control man for USN. (se_duffy@yahoo.com) **Marissa Hollenback**, Los Angeles, CA, has released her first album, "Things We Leave Behind." **Kelly Colgan Hood MA '06**, Canton, MI, is an intelligence research specialist for the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service in Detroit. **Abigail Kern**, Dallas, TX, is a 911 dispatcher for the North Richland Hills Police Department. (graphicabbey@yahoo.com) **Quintin Overocker**, Eau Claire, WI, self-published a novel, "Bad Ground."

2004

Jenelle Boo, Indianapolis, IN, is a clinical psychologist at Richard L. Roudebush VAMC. **Joel Newman**, Monmouth, is the director of business development at Western Illinois Home Health Care Inc.

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wiu.edu/alumni/license.php (217) 785-5215

Career Services

wiu.edu/student_services/careers/ (309) 298-1838

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wiu.edu/alumni/library_access.php (309) 298-2700

Alumni Directory

wiu.edu/vpas/stars (309) 298-1914

Peoria Alumni & Friends Social and Jersey Boys Performance

Peoria Civic Center, February 13, 2013



Seated l-r: Connie Sullivan Hahne '78, Debbie Kepple Harman '85, Dixe Bauer Wheeler '73, President Jack Thomas, Randy Sollenberger '71 '75, Frances Waters Sabo '83, Sherry Lowderman and Wendi Driskell Harrell '87 '03. Standing l-r: David Hahne '78, Randy Toepke '77 '07, Dennis Yard '74, Sheryl Yard, Dale Wheeler '72, John Minnie '72, Dale Sabo '80 '83, Jack Lowderman, Eric Appelquist, Alumni Achievement Award recipient Paul Reuschel '70, Alene Adamitis Reuschel '71 '86 '96 and Dwaine Roche '94.



Seated l-r: Police Sergeant David Docherty, Susan Robinson Docherty '80 '06, Mary Teresa Guzzardo Kessler '83 '90, President Jack Thomas, Sue Walbolt Fluegel '67, Cres Fluegel '66 '70, Lana Rose Miller '67 and Alumni Achievement Award and Town and Gown Award recipient Tom Carper '82. Standing l-r: Budget Director Matt Bierman '97 '03, Stacy Watson Bierman '96, Rod McGaughey '69, Marcia Gorman McGaughey '71, Linda McRaven Engel '75, Candace Strong McLaughlin '70 '82, Academic Advisor Linda Thomas (wife of President Jack Thomas), Becky Ogle Fitzgerald '72, William Whitfield, Sue Adams '80, Kathy Nimmo Kerr '70 '89 and Jane Baxter Myers '92 '98.



Seated l-r: Accountancy and Finance Chair Gregg Woodruff, Associate Professor Nancy Smith '78, Saul Nache '05, President Thomas, Alumni Council member and Alumni Achievement Award recipient Rhonda Haffner '87, Professor Emeritus Bob Crowley and Debi Neff '87. Standing l-r: Accountancy Chair Emeritus and Professor Penelope Castiau Yunker '75, Patrice Hess '00, Alumni Council member Matthew Toland '05 '10, Greg VanVleet '71 '75, Lynn Hay VanVleet '73, Diana Dubsy Cremer '74 '83 and Alumni Council member and Town and Gown Award recipient Jerry Cremer '89.

2006

Brian Crowley MS '08, Bettendorf, IA, is a credit analyst at First Midwest Bank. (bcrowley838@gmail.com)

Stacy Ervin Fisher, La Harpe, is the new administrator at the La Harpe Davier Health Care Center.

2007

Reid Conklen, Kirkwood, is the superintendent at Big River Resources in Monmouth.

Michael Reed, Gurnee, earned his doctorate of chiropractic from Logan College of Chiropractic. (reedhenn@yahoo.com)

2008

Elizabeth Reder, Lakemoor, is a recreation specialist at Lambs Farm in Libertyville. (elizreder@gmail.com)

Lisa Dennis Rogers MS '01, Claremore, OK, is the marketing coordinator at Visit Claremore. (lisa@visitclaremore.org)

2009

Kristin Hurt Conklen, Kirkwood, is a bilingual kindergarten teacher at

Tucson-Area Alumni & Friends

Oro Valley Country Club, February 17, 2013



Seated l-r: Alumni Director Amy Spelman '98, Peg Novak, Barb Grier Westover '69, Patricia Knight Bowen and Alane Asp. Standing l-r: Jim Butler '61, Jim Haleem '69, Bruce Novak, Morris Hicks '58, Lewis Westover '75 '79, Jim Bowen '56, Steve Asp '72 and Steve Stuebner '70.

Phoenix Alumni & Friends

The Mint, February 20, 2013



Seated l-r: Jane Ray Dolieslager '74, Pat Heap, Jean Welch Anstine '64 and Marty Kuepper Koellner '72. Standing l-r: Dave Dunn '53, Don Dolieslager '57 '62, Lupe Rios '56 '62, Bill Heap, Bill Koellner '70 '71, Michael Heap '68 '72, Mary Bauman Kolbe, Carol Ruick Lee '68 and Jeff Stein '71 '73.



Seated l-r: Jeffrey Varda '96, Brenda Calhoun Cash, Tiara Cash and Associate Provost and Associate Academic Vice President Emeritus Barb Brumett Baily '72 '78 '91. Standing l-r: Mitchell Craver '06, Brian Frost '04, Maureen Dunn Morin '76, Ryan Watson '07, Ian Burriss, Bill Lewis, President's National Advisory Council member and Alumni Achievement Award recipient Marcus Sipolt '77 and Jean Lewis '85.

Atlanta Alumni & Friends

Eleven, March 1, 2013



L-r: Brandon Swalve, Kathryn Baum '05, Steve Dougherty '68, Jessica Batten '06, President Jack Thomas, Angelita Watson, Alvin Watson, Carol Downing Ford '72, Steve Ford '70 and Dick Dalton '74.



L-r: Stephen Taylor, James "Coach" Edlen '98, President Jack Thomas, Gerold Washington '05, Susan Caldwell Schweitzer '75, Gary Schweitzer, Alumni Achievement Award recipient Tamara Harris '92, Scott Crawley and Rodney Cohen.

Monmouth-Roseville. (kmconklen@gmail.com)

Jeffrey Grady MS '11, Knoxville, is a manufacturing engineer II at John Deere.

2010

Robert Garst, Ft. Pierce, FL, is a GIS tech at Indian River County in Vero Beach.

Western Wednesdays

Feature's Bar & Grill in Naperville, IL, March 6, 2013



Seated l-r: Alumni Council member Carol Lewis Scott '70, Chris Neidhart '03, Kevin Froehlich '05, Joe Brenner '02 and Ruth Trail Anerino '69. Standing l-r: Glenn Holmes '76, Alumni Council member Brett Goad '74 '76, Carl Luebchow '85 '86, Alumni Council member Brian Savage '73, Barb Manoff Sorgatz '75, Mike Larue '73, Greg Anerino '69 '72 and Carol Frighetto Kuczkowski '79.



L-r: Greg Brown '08, Larry Dolezal '80, Sue Dolezal, Don Vahldick, Nancy Kammerer Vahldick '80, Michael Kayse '75, Gary Stampinato '77, Ken Krupa '79, Dave Wetherald '78 and Marty McGuire '78.

Memphis Alumni & Friends

Napa Cafe, March 19, 2013



Seated l-r: Jon Kleinman, Mary Sawyer Kleinman '77, Alex Sides '10, Susan Fagan and Tom Fagan. Standing l-r: Susan Shipp Whitfield '01, Mike Sondag '74, Melinda Maaske '84, President Jack Thomas, 2006 Honorary Doctorate recipient Carmelita Teeter, 2006 Honorary Doctorate recipient Norm Teeter '67, Vivian Ding and James Whittaker.

Nashville Alumni & Friends

Cantina Laredo, March 20, 2013



Seated l-r: Karen Krieger '76, Emily Anderson, Jessica Anderson '03 and Marie Papini '05. Standing l-r: Joshua Ghera '08, President Jack Thomas, Abbie Poynor Ghera '12, Carissa Koeller '06, Nicki Fosdyck Robins '03, Matt Robins '03 and Danny Jones '11 '12.

Joshua Lesperance, San Diego, CA, is the information systems technician 2nd class for the U.S. Navy. (jiles88@gmail.com)

Aaron Schulz, Bloomington, is a Certified Arborist through the International Society of Arboriculture and the local chapter of ISA.

Shana Severinsen, E. Peoria, is an associate technology information specialist at Caterpillar.

2011

Nicholas Howard, Peoria, is a music teacher at Quest Charter Academy.

(howard@questpeoria.org)

Anthony Kaskadden, Lakemoor, is an infielder for Sioux City Explorers in Sioux City, IA.

Black Alumni Black Tie Scholarship Gala

Martinique in Burbank, IL, March 30, 2013



2012

Joshua Weber, Washington, is a project coordinator at Stark Excavating, Inc.

Marriages and Civil Unions

Mischelle Banas '97 and Josh Oaks '04, Nov. 17, 2012.
Alisa Blakeman '08 and Jack Jokisch III '07, Nov. 2, 2012.
Shannon Chambers '05 and Timothy Ward, Mar. 9, 2013.
Alexis Cunningham '06 and Sean Booth, Aug. 3, 2012.
Melissa Hay '91 and Marty Redding, Dec. 1, 2012.
Susan Kaufman '88 and Paul Schuytema, Apr. 7, 2013.
Angie Leckbee '04 and Brian Christ, Dec. 1, 2012.
Jade Leinberger MS '12 and Clinton Cave, Jan. 12, 2013.
Erin Lewis '07 and Jacob Howe '08, June 30, 2012.

Births and Adoptions

Melissa Roelfs Brousil '01 and Michael, a daughter, Alexandria Irene, Apr. 6, 2013.
Jason Buckley '00 and Julie, twin sons, Reece Lee and Rhet Michael, July 5, 2012.
Kristin Hurt Conklen '09 and Reid Conklen '07, a son, Tyler Matthew, Mar. 14, 2013.
Amanda Rubio Dime '05 and Tim Dime '04, a daughter, Ruby Olive, Jan. 7, 2013.
Kalinda Isaacks Humke '06 and Luke Humke '05, a daughter, Kayleigh Kaye, Mar. 11, 2013.
Kevin Jaquet '01 and Brandy, a son, Bennett, Feb. 8, 2013.
Denise May '08 and Adam, a son, Alec Ryan, Dec. 12, 2012.
Zachary Olmsted Murphy '99 and Kimberly, twins, a daughter, Mia, and a son, Anthony, Feb. 5, 2013.
Andrew Peplow '95 and Amber, a son, Ryan Jacob, Dec. 17, 2010.
Chad Prentice '04 and Megan, a son, Luke Michael, Feb. 16, 2013.
John Schmidt '97 and Maxine, a son, Julius, Jan. 29, 2013.
Michael Schraft '11 and Katy Calderone Schraft '11, a daughter, Ava Joan, Dec. 29, 2011.
James Wayne '03, MS '06 and Rachel VonHolten Wayne '05, a son, Grant Joseph, Apr. 4, 2013.

Deaths

Rose Ann Beat, Bennington, NE, Feb. 21, 2013.
Phyllis V. Beckman, Galesburg, Sept. 26, 2012.
Delbert E. "Del" Bressler, Macomb, Mar. 1, 2013.
Leonard P. Cafilisk, Beverly Hills, FL, Apr. 30, 2012.
Eldon R. Dilworth, Sac City, IA, Dec. 18, 2012.
Jeffery A. Dunn, Macomb, Mar. 24, 2013.
Margaret Eager, Galesburg, Mar. 5, 2012.
Dean R. Ferris, Ft. Madison, IA, Jan. 7, 2013.
Byron W. Flanery, Kaufman, TX, Feb. 2, 2012.
Lois L. Goetz, Keokuk, IA, Oct. 15, 2012.
L. Donald "Don" Hahn, Carol Stream, Mar. 28, 2013.
Patricia J. "Patty" Hall, Tampico, Mar. 15, 2012.
Glenn R. Houck, Macomb, Mar. 2, 2013.
Robert L. "Bob" Howald, Ft. Worth, TX, Feb. 14, 2013.
William D. "Bill" Kramer, Macomb, Mar. 4, 2013.
Daniel L. Kuruna, Middleburg, PA, Mar. 5, 2013.
James H. Litchfield, Knoxville, Feb. 2, 2013.
Doyle L. Loadholtz, Wildwood, FL, Jan. 20, 2013.
Etta Sue Lowe, Quincy, Mar. 17, 2013.
Agnes C. Molinelli, Silvis, Feb. 8, 2012.
Russell J. Morgan, San Antonio, TX, Jan. 21, 2013.
John M. Rowley, Lombard, Oct. 6, 2012.
Wilmer S. Rush, Jacksonville, Mar. 10, 2013.
Richard A. Salisbury, Montgomery, Feb. 16, 2013.
John M. "Jack" Searles, Davenport, IA, Apr. 9, 2013.
Barbara E. Smith, Warsaw, Feb. 16, 2013.
Eva L. Keithley Vail, Macomb, Jan. 13, 2013.
Lloyd E. Wayland, Davenport, IA, Dec. 23, 2012.
Mary K. Welch, Macomb, Mar. 29, 2013.
Lila L. Wells, Augusta, Feb. 16, 2013.
Ruth M. Peterson Westerlund, Orion, Mar. 13, 2013.
1933 Virginia M. Serrott McGregor, Ogden, UT, July 20, 2012.
1934 Harold J. Bruninga, Peoria Heights, July 31, 2008.
1934 Maxine Miller Cocks, Boulder City, NV, Jan. 29, 2008.
1934 Genevieve C. Nester Friend, La Porte, TX, Jan. 8, 2008.
1936 Esther V. Larson Lindsay, Havana, Sept. 30, 2012.
1936 Irene N. England Maupin, Springfield, Mar. 7, 2012.
1937 Mary L. Crabb Wright, St. Joseph, Nov. 18, 2009.
1938 Leander N. "Bill" Caldwell, Jacksonville, July 31, 2010.
1938 Verna M. Fransene Lindquist, Cambridge, Dec. 3, 2012.
1938 Marie A. "Agnes" Staley Schroeder '58, Burlington, IA, Dec. 8, 2012.
1939 Fern C. Carlson Dennis, Zephyrhills, FL, Aug. 17, 2008.
1939 Eileen C. Anderson McAdam, Coal Valley, July 11, 2008.
1940 Rita M. Phillips Barksdale, Kihei, HI, June 4, 2010.
1940 Rachel J. Johnson Gibbs '68, Victoria, Oct. 25, 2011.
1940 Elizabeth L. "Betty" Erickson McLaughlin, Fairport, NY, July 2, 2009.
1940 Elizabeth L. Falder Newell, Pell City, AL, Nov. 24, 2008.

Western Wednesdays

The Gage in Chicago, IL, April 3, 2013



L-r: Dustin Bainter, Anna Krowczyk, Ashley Wentzel '08 '10, Roger Stutz '78, Alumni Council member Kathy Sullivan '78, Dave Becker '82, Charles Whitaker '10, Rick Oloffson '75 and Alumni Council member Mona D'Antonio '76.



L-r: Dwain Singleton '80, Angie Henry Motton '86, Nate Motton '85 and Kelli Simmons '94.



L-r: John Treadwell '96, Bob Bice '96, John Briggs '99 and John Langan '96.

Canton Alumni & Friends

The Official Time-Out, April 10, 2013



Front row l-r: Alumni Council member and Town and Gown Award recipient Jerry Cremer '89, Alumni Achievement Award recipient Gale Schisler '59, Jack Browning '68 '74 '81, President Jack Thomas, Dave Ford '65 '69 '73 and Ted Strode '56 '57. Middle row l-r: Scott Conlin, Kevin Stephenson '77, Gloria Schisler, Debbie Harris Stephenson '73, Pam Tharp Jump '78 '11, Martha Coultas Strode '58 '70 and Gayle Strode Blodgett '76 '06. Back row l-r: Board of Trustee Student member D'Angelo Taylor '11, Greg Henseler '11, Kaylyn Kuzniar and Doug Blodgett '77 '83.



Seated l-r: Ted Strode '56 '57, Stephanie Herink '90, President Jack Thomas, Ruth Thomson Walker '51 and Ernie Hoff '51. Standing l-r: Melvin Fletcher '51 '57, Kim Smail '78, Judy Johnson Smail '80, Barbara Dunton and Bob Dunton '72.

1941 Rosemary R. Reiley Allen, Hull, MA, Oct. 17, 2012.
1941 Esther E. Frischknecht Armstrong, Macomb, Jan. 31, 2013.
1941 Eleanor L. Runkle Grundler, Decatur, Sept. 17, 2010.
1941 Bernita F. Cole Howe, Havana, Feb. 9, 2013.
1941 Marie Bossarte Ramage, Wheat Ridge, CO, Apr. 26, 2012.
1941 Bernard Rosentreter, Boise, ID, July 4, 2009.
1941 Fannie I. "Irene" Skinner, Lewiston, ID, Sept. 13, 2010.
1941 Doris V. Decamp Young, Bella Vista, AR, Dec. 18, 2010.
1942 Jean Wheeler Noel, Cincinnati, OH, July 31, 2011.
1943 Robert F. Risdon '47, Carthage, Apr. 15, 2008.
1943 Betty M. Weaver, Galesburg, Oct. 21, 2012.
1945 Norma J. Elliott Busen, Quincy, Feb. 1, 2013.
1946 Thomas M. Butler MSE '50, Astoria, Dec. 19, 2012.
1947 Mildred E. Hamilton Butler, Astoria, Oct. 17, 2010.
1947 Lee D. Heinz, Glenview, Feb. 10, 2011.
1950 Harold F. "Hal" Clearwaters, Mesa, AZ, Feb. 19, 2013.
1950 Warren H. Moe, Rochelle, Apr. 4, 2013.
1951 Robert T. Self, Galesburg, Feb. 11, 2012.
1952 Marjorie E. Hodgett, Tremont, May 31, 2009.
1953 A. Rogers Anderson '53, Tucson, AZ, Apr. 2, 2012.

Springfield Alumni & Friends Legislative

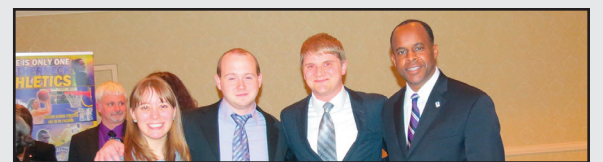
The Sangamo Club, April 11, 2013



Seated l-r: Donald Post '57, Terri Pearson Nelson '86, Scott Clarke '81 and College of Education and Human Services Dir. of Dev/Marketing/Comm Outreach Dana Stites Moon '98 '01. Standing l-r: President Jack Thomas, Alumni Achievement Award recipient Marty Green '87, Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Zack Stamp '75, Lisa Sims '81 (Senate Minority staff), Alumni Council member and Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Sen. Kirk Dillard '77 (Asst. Minority Leader), Caroline Schafer Young '87, Rep. Renee Winans Kosel '66 (Asst. House Minority Leader), Alumni Council member Chuck Giger '70, Don Davis '59 '72, Rep. Wayne Rosenthal, Linda Conklin Storm '69, Scott Musser '99 and Anthony Castegnaro '79.



L-r: Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Zack Stamp '75, Rep. Kenneth Dunkin (Chairman, House Appropriations - Higher Education Committee), Distinguished Alumni Award recipient Sen. Kirk Dillard '77 (Asst. Minority Leader), Rep. Norine Hammond (Minority Spokesman, House Appropriations - Higher Education), WIU President Jack Thomas, Rep. Al Riley (Asst. Majority Leader), Rep. Robert Pritchard, Rep. Naomi Jakobsson (Chairman, House Higher Education), Rep. Frank Mautino (Deputy Majority Leader), Rep. Michael Unes and Alumni Achievement Award recipient Marty Green '87.



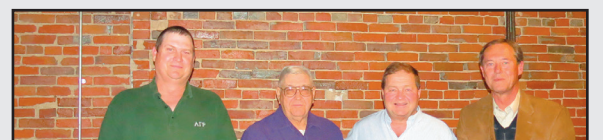
L-r: Valerie Corey '12, Nathan Stamp '11, Tucker Copi '12 and President Jack Thomas.

Quincy Alumni & Friends

O'Griff's Grill and Brewery, April 23, 2013



Seated l-r: Lana Flesner, Dwain Preston '57 '67, Lori Kruse '84, Jackie Rottman Kaelke '65, Susan Isted Foster '65 and Kayla Winkler Tauchen '11. Standing l-r: Ron Larner, Joan Davis Larner '82, Gene Foster, Accountancy Chairperson Emeritus Bruce Kruse, Susan Ashwood Kissick '70, John Kissick, Elaine Schwartz Longacre '66, Tammie Tipton Cramm '85, Brad Fenton '12, David Blickhan '81 and Susan Schisler Blickhan '81 '87.



L-r: Mark Dempsey '87, Alumni Council member Fred Longacre '64, Tom Henderson '73 and Gary Birch '75.

1953 Harlan T. "Ted" Doxstader MS-ED '66, Macomb, Jan. 16, 2013.
1954 Janis J. Wood Gray, Rock Island, Feb. 25, 2012.
1954 Bertha M. "Maxine" Broderick Lamma, Mt. Sterling, Feb. 28, 2008.
1955 Donald L. Long MS-ED, Macomb, Feb. 15, 2013.

Alumni Travel Programs 2013-2014

Discover Switzerland

June 19-July 4, 2013

See the majesty of Switzerland's landscape unfold before your eyes on this journey. From Meiringen in the Hasli Valley, your home for 14 nights, discover the heart of Europe by train, bus, boat and on guided walks with your Swiss Rail Pass. Enjoy views of the Alps and cruise Swiss villages such as Lucerne, Magisalp, Kandersteg, Grindelwald and Berne. Travel to Zermatt, Rosenloui Gorge and the Reichenbach Falls. Board the Simplon Alpine railway to the Italian towns of Domodossola and lakeside Locarno, visit historic Montreux and the Castle of Chillon.



Alaskan Adventures~Oceania Cruises: Seattle to Vancouver

August 5-12, 2013

Discover Alaska from the decks of Oceania Cruises' Regatta. Depart from Seattle and travel north to Wrangell. Continue cruising through Tracy Arm; follow the Alaskan coast to Sitka, and visit Ketchikan. Sail on through the scenic Inside Passage heading to Vancouver where your voyage concludes.

Ireland

August 26-September 3, 2013 (Please note the NEW dates.)

Experience the rugged beauty of Western Ireland during your seven-night stay in Galway at the deluxe Ardilaun Hotel. Enjoy daily excursions, visit the homestead of Dan O'Hara in Connemara, learn about bodhrán drum making in Roundstone and visit the workshop of a famous craftsman. Enjoy Irish singing, Seanchaí storytelling and "Sean-nós" dancing. Delight in the Cliffs of Moher and the Burren, attend a Hurling demonstration, and cruise to the Aran.

The Great Journey through Europe

September 4-16, 2013 (Please note the NEW dates.)

Travel through three countries and the western heart of the Continent. Experience three of the world's legendary railways, then cruise from the Rhine River to the scenic beauty of the Mosel River Valley's legendary wine country. Spend two nights in lovely Lucerne, then, cross the mountainous backbone of Switzerland aboard the celebrated Glacier Express. Travel overland through the verdant countryside of Switzerland en route to the lovely Alsatian city of Strasbourg, France, with stops in Interlaken, scenically situated near the magnificent Bernese Oberland Alps, and the medieval gem of Berne. Port calls along the way include Worms, Mainz, Rudesheim, Boppard, Koblenz, Cochem and Speyer for Heidelberg, Germany.

Island Life in Ancient Greece and Turkey

September 24-October 2, 2013

Join us for this exclusive nine-day odyssey to Greece's ancient islands and Turkey's fabled coast. Cruise from Athens to Istanbul aboard the M.S. L'Austral. Meet local residents during the specially arranged Village Forum™ for a personal perspective of the Aegean Sea's maritime culture. Take excursions to the ruins of Delos, the Old Town of Rhodes, the Monastery of St. John on Pátmos and Troy. Extend your voyage with the Athens Pre-Cruise Option and the Istanbul or Cappadocia Post-Cruise Option.

Mediterranean Inspiration~Oceania Cruises: Rome to Venice

October 18-29, 2013

Discover the Mediterranean aboard Oceania Cruises' Marina, as you sail to ports in Italy, Greece, Montenegro and Croatia. Depart from Rome to Italy's west coast, then visit Florence, Sorrento, or Capri, the harbors and hillside towns of Amalfi and Positano, Sicily's Taormina, the Greek island of Corfu, Kotor, and Dubrovnik. Cap off your journey with a full day in Venice.



Tahitian Jewels

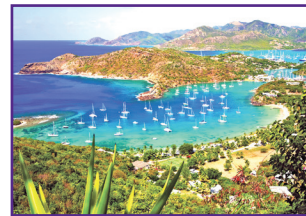
January 15-25, 2014

Imagine a cruise on one of the finest vessels afloat, Oceania Cruises Marina, where every port of call is a Polynesian paradise. Savor the tropical island splendor of Moorea, Bora Bora, Hiva Oa, and more as you sail the beautiful South Pacific.

Caribbean Discovery

February 12-22, 2014

Cruise the balmy Caribbean seas aboard the elegant Oceania Cruises Riviera to Tortola, Antigua, Barbados, St. Lucia and St. Barts—beautiful islands rich with verdant rainforests, spectacular beaches, colorful towns and enchanting wildlife.



Cradle of History

May 4-15, 2014

Follow the echoes of ancient civilizations as you cruise the Mediterranean. Immerse yourself in the ancient legends, traditions and cultures of Turkey, Greece, Cyprus, Israel and Egypt. Begin in Istanbul and take in its legendary sites before departing for Kusadasi. Cruise to the Greek island of Rhodes and then on to Limassol and Cyprus. More wonders await in Jerusalem and then sail to the second largest city in Egypt, Alexandria before concluding your journey in Athens.



Italian Inspiration

May 14-22, 2014

Let Italian-influenced towns and islands inspire you as you cruise to captivating ports in Italy, Croatia and Greece. Set out from Civitavecchia and journey south along Italy's shores. Explore Sorrento or travel to Capri. Cruise further down the scenic Amalfi Coast and visit Amalfi or Positano before heading to Sicily's northeastern tip. Discover the island of Corfu and then step back in time in Dubrovnik. Your voyage concludes in Venice.

Baltic Treasures

August 21-September 1, 2014

Discover distant monarchies, Baroque palaces and stunning harbors as you cruise the Baltic Sea to Germany, Lithuania, Latvia, Finland, Russia, Estonia and Sweden. Beginning in Copenhagen, sail to Warnemünde or take a short drive to Berlin. Cruise to Lithuania and then on to Latvia's capital Riga. Head to the Finnish capital of Helsinki and then spend almost three days in St. Petersburg before concluding your journey in Stockholm.



Pearls of the Mediterranean

November 7-15, 2014

Discover some culturally-rich pearls of the Mediterranean, as you cruise from Monaco to Spain. Depart Monte Carlo for Portofino. Journey to Rome before heading inland from the port of Livorno and experience the Tuscan countryside and the legendary cities of Florence and Pisa. Savor the port city of Marseille before heading to Port Vendres. Continue to Palma de Mallorca, Spain and stroll the cobbled streets of Old Palma before your voyage concludes in Barcelona.



Save the Dates

Normandy, 70th Anniversary of D-Day

April 1-9, 2014

Apulia

July 1-9, 2014

Cruise the Rhine

September 22-30, 2014

Southern Africa

October 15-29, 2014

China and the Yangtze River

October 20-November 30, 2014

Cruise the Panama Canal

November 19-30, 2014

Refer a Student to Western Illinois University



Do you know a student who would be a great fit for Western Illinois University? Let us know by completing the form below. We also welcome recommendations for students who may wish to transfer to WIU.

The WIU Admissions Office or School of Graduate Studies will personally follow up with the student and give him/her the option of registering as a prospective student. The student will receive information from WIU, will be added to our contact list and will be invited to special events in his/her area and in Macomb. The student will also be notified that you took the time to refer him/her to Western Illinois University (if you would like us to share that information).

STUDENT'S INFORMATION

First Name: _____
 Last Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____
 School Currently Attending: _____
 Expected Graduation Date From Above: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Cell Phone: _____
 Home Phone: _____
 Gender: Female Male

REFERRED BY

First Name: _____
 Last Name: _____
 WIU Graduation Year: _____
 Relationship to Student: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Cell Phone: _____
 Home Phone: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____
 State: _____ Zip: _____

**Why would this student be a good candidate for WIU?*

Yes, I would like to pay the application fee (electronic/\$25; paper/\$30) for this student when he/she applies.

If this student chooses not to apply:

Please use the application fee for another deserving student.

OR

Please refund me.

Yes, I would like this student to know I recommended him/her.

No, I would prefer this student not know I recommended him/her.

Please mail form to: WIU Alumni Association, 1 University Circle, Macomb IL 61455-1390, or visit wiu.edu/alumni/recommend.php to complete the form online.

Send Us Your News

Full Name _____ Maiden Name _____ Grad. Year _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Is this a new address? Yes No Prefer Home Business Cell

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Prefer Home Business E-mail Do you want to receive text messages from the University? No Yes

Home E-mail _____ Business E-mail _____

Title/Position _____ Employer _____

Employer Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____

Marital Status: Married Single Divorced Widowed Domestic Partner

Is spouse/domestic partner a WIU graduate? No Yes, Graduation Year _____

If yes: Spouse/Domestic Partner Full Name _____ Maiden Name _____

Title/Position _____ Employer _____

Employer Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Prefer Home Business E-mail

Home E-mail _____ Business E-mail _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Prefer Home Business Cell Do you want to receive text messages from the university? No Yes

Include Information in Western News? Yes No

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Please accept the enclosed gift to assist with printing and postage of the Western News.

Send updates and feedback to: Alumni Association, 1 University Circle, Macomb IL 61455-1390, fax (309) 298-2914, or online at wiu.edu/alumni

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- 1956 William R. Belter, Sr., Springfield, July 11, 2010.
- 1956 Buonaveta D. "Jocko" Ferneti, Niota, Apr. 16, 2012.
- 1957 Gary A. Clendenny MS-ED '58, Jerseyville, Jan. 16, 2013.
- 1957 Donald R. "Don" De Taeye MS-ED '75, Moline, Mar. 8, 2013.
- 1957 Phyllis J. Dietsch Kazarian, Oswego, NY, Aug. 14, 2010.
- 1957 Frances I. Jaeger Stauffer MSE, Kirkwood, Dec. 10, 2012.
- 1958 Edward J. Flynn, Alton, Feb. 13, 2013.
- 1958 Robert K. "Bob" Heitz MS-ED '71, Rushville, Feb. 27, 2013.
- 1958 Betty A. Stenrose Seward, Monmouth, Apr. 2, 2013.
- 1960 Allan L. Conner, Los Alamos, NM, Jan. 31, 2013.
- 1961 Mary F. Soloman Ford MS-ED '61, Belleville, July 28, 2012.
- 1961 Mary Anne Mingare Sanchez, Tampa, FL, Feb. 13, 2012.
- 1962 Judith R. Tibble Ericson, Greeley, CO, Feb. 10, 2013.
- 1962 David L. Humphrey, Phoenix, AZ, Feb. 19, 2009.
- 1962 Virginia M. Marlatt Taylor, Fairfield, IA, Mar. 4, 2013.
- 1964 John P. Connelly, Washington, DC, Oct. 27, 2012.
- 1964 James F. "Jim" De Jong, Bloomington, MN, Oct. 31, 2011.
- 1964 Kenneth L. "Ken" Edwards, Pittsfield, June 4, 2012.
- 1964 David S. Taylor, Chicago, Mar. 19, 2013.
- 1965 Olen E. "Gene" Cleeton, Tremont, June 18, 2012.
- 1966 Barbara A. Jackson, Edmond, OK, Nov. 1, 2012.
- 1967 James A. Cohee, Mapleton, Aug. 26, 2012.
- 1967 Melanie A. Brumfield Petrilli, Indianapolis, IN, May 26, 2008.
- 1967 Jack C. Poe MS-ED, Wapello, IA, Feb. 23, 2012.
- 1967 Richard H. Underwood MS-ED, Quincy, Apr. 22, 2011.
- 1969 Grace A. Hughes MS-ED '76, Barry, Feb. 4, 2011.
- 1971 Thomas L. "Tom" DeBlieck, Plant City, FL, Feb. 24, 2013.
- 1971 Peggy E. Svendsen Willis, Round Lake, Feb. 3, 2012.
- 1972 Terrence J. "Terry" Downs, Bradenton, FL, Dec. 15, 2012.
- 1972 Bradley E. "Brad" Horton, Edwards, Jan. 29, 2010.
- 1972 Lucille A. Sheppard Mitchell MS-ED, Moline, Feb. 12, 2012.
- 1972 Colleen V. Dennison Williams MS-ED, ED SP '76, Sandwich, May 2, 2008.
- 1973 Kenwood L. "Ken" Bush MS '95, Vienna, GA, Aug. 14, 2012.
- 1973 James E. Heffelfinger, McHenry, Mar. 27, 2011.
- 1973 Donald L. "Don" McLaughlin, Mason City, June 3, 2012.
- 1973 Eloise P. Christner Streett, Encinitas, CA, Feb. 6, 2013.
- 1973 James T. Twidell, Princeton, Mar. 8, 2013.
- 1974 Dennis J. Gornik, Grand Rapids, MI, Feb. 22, 2013.
- 1974 Margaret J. Boston King, Winchester, June 15, 2012.
- 1975 Robert M. "Milt" Hand, Rock Island, June 30, 2012.
- 1975 Bruce J. Jack, Ribera, NM, Mar. 26, 2012.
- 1975 Dean B. Lawlor, Orland Park, Jan. 5, 2013.
- 1975 Louise E. Dickey Schultz MS-ED, Champaign, Jan. 19, 2011.
- 1975 Michael H. Wolf, Erie, Aug. 2, 2012.
- 1976 Robert D. "Bob" Axtell, Madison, MS, Jan. 12, 2010.
- 1976 Alvin R. Dowd, Biloxi, MS, Sept. 9, 2011.
- 1976 Thomas P. "Tom" Hoveke, Downers Grove, July 15, 2011.
- 1976 Susan K. Harley Hubbard, Ballwin, MO, Mar. 30, 2013.
- 1976 Robert J. "Bob" Linde, Frankfort, Feb. 17, 2013.
- 1976 Gregory L. Taubert, Freeport, Apr. 25, 2008.
- 1977 Anona J. "Nona" Olson Clark MS-ED, Victoria, Apr. 19, 2012.
- 1977 Michael J. "Mike" Dunn, Decatur, Jan. 1, 2013.
- 1978 Bonnie J. Bentley Beslow, Bannockburn, June 21, 2012.
- 1978 Sandra L. Borcharding, Downers Grove, Oct. 4, 2012.
- 1980 Karen S. Fultz, Pelican Lake, WI, Dec. 28, 2012.
- 1980 Catherine E. "Cathy" Simmerling Shepherd, Chicago, Jan. 11, 2013.
- 1981 David J. Kozor, LaPorte, IN, Nov. 8, 2012.
- 1983 Stephen E. Hawthorne, Bloomington, Sept. 22, 2012.
- 1984 Larry R. Johnston, Moline, Dec. 26, 2011.
- 1984 Jane E. Martin Loquist, Macomb, Feb. 5, 2013.
- 1984 Philip J. Lundgren, Alton, Jan. 30, 2013.
- 1985 Alan D. McLuckie, Cuba, Jan. 15, 2013.
- 1985 Jeffrey C. Ralston, Blandinsville, Mar. 23, 2013.
- 1987 David P. Cerbin, Joliet, July 3, 2009.
- 1987 Louise E. Theuninck MS-ED, E. Moline, Feb. 2, 2011.
- 1990 Roberta L. Weber Saey, Kewanee, July 6, 2011.
- 1992 Richard D. "Rick" Mulwaney, Quincy, Feb. 16, 2013.
- 1992 Matthew B. "Matt" Peterson, Schaumburg, Nov. 3, 2011.
- 1994 Kelly S. Murphy, Coal Valley, Jan. 3, 2011.
- 1994 Scott L. Thompson, Arrowsmith, Nov. 30, 2012.
- 1995 Curtis A. Hallman, Hiawatha, IA, June 9, 2012.
- 1995 Bruce A. Scheidegger MS, Orland Park, Feb. 9, 2013.
- 1995 Amy C. Thomas MS-ED '04, Springfield, Mar. 3, 2013.
- 1995 Julia C. Trone, Petersburg, Feb. 22, 2013.
- 1998 Kay A. Perry, Green Valley, AZ, Jan. 31, 2013.
- 1999 Lillian P. "Lil" Keller, Quincy, Mar. 17, 2013.
- 2004 Susan K. Voight, Colchester, Mar. 7, 2013.
- 2010 Kimberly A. Mescall, Orland Park, Jan. 30, 2013.



Rocky on Parade celebrates WIU's traditions, strengthens the unity of campus and community, contributes to the economic vitality and quality of life in Macomb, and supports student scholarships. Imagine a "pack" of larger-than-life fiberglass sculptures, each with a unique design created by regional artists, on long-term display throughout the WIU campus and Macomb community.

CHICAGO WESTERN WEDNESDAYS

July – No Western Wednesdays

August 7 – Flossmoor (IL) at Flossmoor Station Brewery

September 4 – Downtown Chicago at Hubbard's

October 2 – Glenview (IL) at the Yard House

Your WIU Alumni Association started an amazing tradition in November 2011 with the first of many Western After Hours! Hundreds of alumni have joined us every month for great food, great conversation and a few beverages! Our Western Wednesdays continue the first Wednesday of every month from 5-7 p.m.!

Kick off WIU Homecoming 2013 with... Celebrating Town & Gown 2013 and Rocky on Parade

Help Western Illinois University and the city of Macomb start WIU Homecoming 2013 in style. Join us to celebrate all President Jack Thomas and Mayor Mike Inman have accomplished over the past year for the WIU and Macomb communities!
NEW THIS YEAR ... We'll unveil Rocky on Parade. Join the 13 sponsors as they see their 13 special Rocky sculptures unveiled!

Oct. 3 | The Forum in Macomb | 5:30-7:30 p.m. brief program at 6:15 p.m. | Price: \$20/person

2013 Alumni Event Incentive

Your WIU Alumni Association encourages all alumni and friends to join us at one of our nearly 60 events around the world each year. We're kicking off the "Alumni Event Incentive Program"—register for one of our regular events and receive \$5 off the registration for another alumnus!

UPCOMING WIU ALUMNI & FRIENDS EVENTS

July 13 - Cubs vs. Cardinals Alumni & Friends Event
 Watch the game from Deuce's & The Diamond Club owned by WIU Alumnus Kevin Killermann
 3505 North Clark St., Chicago, IL
 5:30-8:30 p.m. (Game time 6:15 p.m.)
 Social, food, & drink package - \$42

July 17 - San Francisco Alumni & Friends Social
 Nectar Wine Bar
 3300 Steiner St., San Francisco, CA
 6-8 p.m.
 Social, hors d'oeuvres & cash bar - \$20

September 14 - WIU at University of Minnesota Social & Football Game
 TFC Bank Stadium
 2009 University Ave. SE, Minneapolis, MN
 Social begins 2 & ½ hours before game (Game time TBA)
 Game ticket, social, food & cash bar - \$30
 Social, food & cash bar only - \$15

September 21 - WIU at UNLV Social & Football Game
 Sam Boyd Stadium
 7000 E. Russell Rd., Las Vegas, NV
 Social begins 2 & ½ hours before game (Game time TBA)
 Game ticket, social, food & cash bar - \$30
 Social, food & cash bar only - \$15

October 5 - WIU at Illinois State Social & Football Game
 Hancock Stadium – Redbird Tent Zone
 Normal, IL
 Social begins 2 & ½ hours before game (Game time TBA)
 Game ticket, social, food & drinks - \$26
 Social, food & drinks only - \$10

October 10 - Quad Cities Alumni and Friends event: "A New Deal for Illinois - The Federal Art Project of Western Illinois University" Exhibition and Social
 The Figge Art Museum
 225 W. 2nd St., Davenport, IA
 6-8 p.m.
 Exhibition tour, social, food & cash bar - \$15
 (see p. 12 for more details about the exhibition)

November 24 - St. Louis Rams vs. Chicago Bears Social & Football Game
 Edwards Jones Dome – Social location outside of dome
 901 N. Broadway, St. Louis, MO
 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Game time 12 p.m.)
 Game ticket, social, food & drinks - \$100
 Social, food & drinks only - \$10
 Game ticket & social package also includes Rams vs. Cardinals (Sept. 8), Jaguars (Oct. 6), Titans (Nov. 3) or Buccaneers (Dec. 22) game ticket of your choice.

Registration Form for WIU Alumni & Friends Events

▶ Payment options:

- Online wiu.com/alumni
- Phone (309) 298-1914
- Check Payable to **WIU Alumni Association**
- Credit card Please provide credit card information

Name _____ Class year _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Home phone _____ Home e-mail _____

Cell phone _____ Do you want to receive text messages from the university? No Yes

Name of business _____ Job title _____

Work phone _____ Work e-mail _____

Work address _____ City, State, Zip _____

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Three digit security code _____ Exp. date: _____

Name on card: _____

Signature: _____

Fax form to: (309) 298-2914 or mail form to:
**WIU Alumni Association, 1 University Circle,
 Macomb, IL 61455-1390**

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