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A New Look for Noggle
Renovated Christian Ministries Center Reopens

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Enrollment and the economy . . .

Over the past several months, Indiana Wesleyan University has planned and strategized in response to the economy and its impact on us. The dominant themes have included enrollment projections, tuition costs, endowments, building projects, and employee salaries and benefits.

These times require extreme care and wisdom. But, we believe we should not be paralyzed by fear or an unwillingness to respond to opportunity. We are working hard to control expenses during these difficult economic times, while continuing efforts to enhance academic programs and learning outcomes. As well, we are pursuing new market opportunities.

In response to the economy, IWU has decided to reduce the typical annual tuition rate increase for the upcoming year. In fact, the tuition rate increase for the 2009–2010 academic year will be the smallest rate increase during the past five years.

Students in the residential College of Arts and Sciences in Marion, Indiana, need to know the following facts for next academic year:

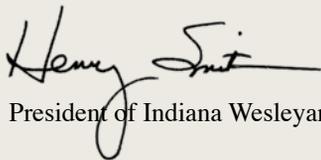
- *Room and board fees are frozen at entry level throughout the student's years at IWU – meaning there's no need to worry about year-to-year inflation.*
- *Among other Council of Christian Colleges & Universities (CCCCU) institutions, IWU's tuition rate ranks 57th out of 111 member institutions. This means over half of the institutions that we consider our sister schools are more expensive than Indiana Wesleyan.*
- *IWU is below the national average cost for a CCCCU school, making us an excellent value in comparison to other private, four-year institutions like us in the United States.*
- *Indiana Wesleyan University is financially stable and continues to invest toward the development of academic programs including internships, study abroad and mentoring opportunities. The University utilizes non-tuition income for campus construction projects as we strive to maintain a state of the art living and learning environment.*
- *Tuition rate increases at IWU have historically been modest and consistent from year to year unlike other institutions that have had relatively high tuition increases followed by modest increases. Returning students at IWU have not had to worry about excessive tuition increases as they invest in their futures.*
- *Indiana Wesleyan University awarded over \$6 million in academic and merit-based scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year. Ninety-two percent of IWU students receive financial aid.*

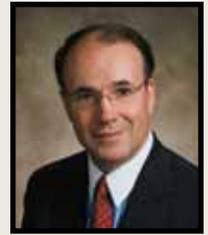
For the 21st consecutive year, IWU had increased enrollment for the fall of 2008. As we track projections for the year ahead, it appears we can expect continuing strong enrollments.

So, with cautious optimism, we are preparing for the future by building three additional townhouses which will provide housing for 100 new students this fall. In addition, we made a bold strategic decision to build another 300-bed residence hall which will be ready for the fall of 2010. This decision will make available a total of 3,000 “beds” for students who seek to be part of our academic community of faith.

IWU's nontraditional, adult student populations also continue to expand in enrollment and in locations served. In the coming months we plan to open a new extension site in the greater Cincinnati area across the Ohio River in Florence, Kentucky. And, our national online initiative is growing in momentum.

With God's continuing blessings we are preparing for a bright future with hope and optimism.


President of Indiana Wesleyan University



DR. HENRY SMITH
PRESIDENT

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Large lobby greets visitors to the Christian Ministries Center.

The Noggle Christian Ministries Center, one of Indiana Wesleyan University's older landmark buildings, is now one of the newer facilities on campus.

Thanks to \$3.5 million in improvements, Noggle now truly reflects its name as a Christian Ministries Center. For much of its 22-year history, the Religion and Philosophy Division shared the facility with other academic offices.

Today, Noggle Christian Ministries Center is used exclusively to train students for the ministry. The building is named in honor of Howard and Marie Noggle, two legendary friends and long-time employees of the University.

During his 42 years on the IWU religion faculty, Dr. Wilbur Williams has moved from the basement of the former McConn Chapel to the second floor of the renovated Noggle Center.

"Because of my seniority, I was the first to pick a new office when Noggle reopened," Williams said. "It's quite a change from a small basement office with no sunlight to a large office with sunlight – and a view of campus."

Williams also said he is amazed at the new technology that has been incorporated into the Christian Ministries Center. "I started teaching with a blackboard and chalk, and now I use PowerPoint," he said.



The Worship Lab in the Christian Ministries Center.



Noggle Center *is* Sparkling Again

Landmark Building Undergoes Major Renovation

Noggle's new look and new purpose is better described as a transformation instead of a renovation. With the exception of its four walls, there is little about the interior of the building that resembles its initial appearance.

Design Collaborative redesigned the building, which reopened in August 2008. Design Collaborative Inc. is a Fort Wayne architectural and engineering firm that has left its imprint on most buildings on IWU's Marion campus.

The renovation was completed in eight months, which took the building out of service for just one semester. Offices and classrooms were temporarily relocated in the former College Wesleyan Church.

All faculty and staff offices for the Religion and Philosophy Division now are located on the second floor of Noggle Center. There are traditional classrooms

and laboratory classrooms on the first floor.

The building features an interactive worship center and a youth ministry laboratory, where students can learn lighting and sound skills. A children's learning laboratory is used to assist future teachers in setting up and designing classrooms.

A Bistro Room features a class-in-the-round design with glass on all sides and three large-screen TVs. There also is a 24-hour study lounge in the building.

The renovated Noggle Center features two new entrances, one of them with a covered walkway that connects the building to Elder Hall.

About 450 students are pursuing majors in the Religion and Philosophy Division, making it one of IWU's largest academic divisions.



The exterior of Noggle Center has a fresh new look.

Blueprints *and* Footprints



The Shadow Grows Larger

Indiana Wesleyan University's new 3,800-seat Chapel/Auditorium, which is scheduled to open in January 2010, is on schedule and continues to cast a larger shadow across campus.

The \$22 million building, which is the tallest and most significant in IWU history, represents a commitment to the spiritual foundation of the campus.

There will be two levels of seating in the building, with the balcony seats extending all the way to the first floor. Students sitting anywhere in the building will be able to walk to the altar without using a stairway or an elevator.

Design Collaborative Inc., a Fort Wayne architectural and engineering firm, designed the building. The company, which specializes in buildings for colleges and universities, has designed 12 buildings for IWU in the last decade.

The new building will be used both as the campus chapel and will provide

assembly space for large campus and community events such as graduations, conferences, lecture series and concerts.

Currently, Luckey Arena is the largest gathering space on the IWU campus. The arena seats about 2,500 people – for graduations and campus convocations – when folding chairs are placed on the gymnasium floor.

IWU chapel services now are held in the 1,200-seat auditorium of Phillippe Performing Arts Center, which opened in 1996. Initially, the auditorium seated the entire student body in one chapel service, but two services have been held since 1998.

Residential students on IWU's Marion campus are required to attend chapel services, which are held three days a week during the school year. With almost 2,600 students now living on campus, the two chapel services exceed the capacity of Phillippe Performing Arts Center.



New Residence Halls Shaping IWU's Footprint

Construction will begin this spring on three new townhouses and a second 300-bed residence hall on the Marion campus.

The townhouses, each of which will house 36 students, will be built on the north side of campus, just north of the Recreation and Wellness Center. The buildings will be completed in time for fall 2009 classes.

IWU currently has eight townhouses, all of them along the south side of campus. The townhouses are reserved for upper-class students.



The 3,800-seat chapel/auditorium is scheduled to open in January 2010.



South Hall will have separate wings for upper-class students and freshmen students.

South Hall, the new residence hall, will house 300 men and will be located just south of the North Hall Complex, a women's residence hall that opened in August 2007. Both buildings are three stories.

South and North Halls will be similar in appearance – and in purpose. Both halls have two wings, one to house freshmen and the other to house upper-class students. The older students will serve as mentors for the freshmen.

Construction of South Hall began in February, and the residence hall will

open for the fall 2010 semester. The addition of South Hall and the new townhouses will raise IWU's residential capacity above 3,000 students.

Over the past decade, the balance of students attending classes on IWU's Marion campus has shifted steadily from commuter to residential. In 1998, 60 percent of traditional students lived on campus compared to 81 percent this year.

All living accommodations on IWU's Marion campus have been built, or completely renovated, in the past 20 years.

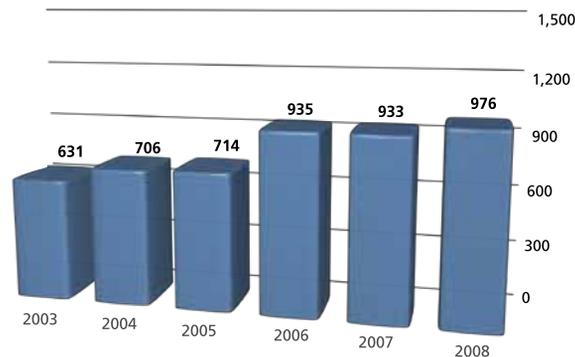
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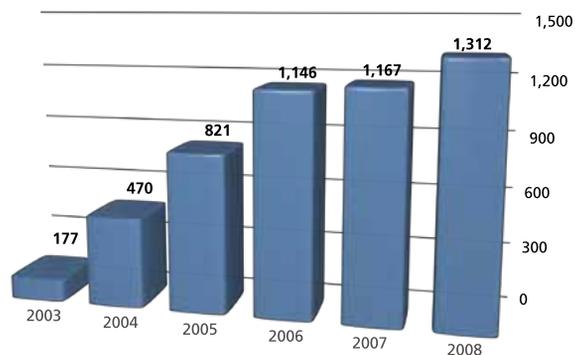
| | 1999 | 2008 |
|---|--------------|---------------|
| IWU Total Fall Enrollment | 6,908 | 15,442 |
| College of Arts & Sciences Enrollment | 2,073 | 3,201 |
| New Students, College of Arts & Sciences | 647 | 1,038 |
| Resident Students, College of Arts & Sciences | 1,456 | 2,600 |
| College of Adult & Professional Studies | 4835 | 11,402 |
| College of Graduate Studies Enrollment | 0 | 839* |
| Online Enrollment | 79 | 5,060 |
| Full-time IWU Employees | 402 | 1,002 |

*College of Graduate Studies began in 2001

IWU Students Enrolled in Kentucky



IWU Students Enrolled in Ohio



Homecoming 200

It was a time of discovery for some,
and rediscovery for others, as hundreds of
Indiana Wesleyan University alumni returned to
campus for Homecoming 2008.



The Homecoming bonfire illuminates the President's home.



Chaplain Gordon Ritchie



Gabriel Dunbar & Leslie Hochstetler



Fernando Ortega



Rachel Enyart Edwards '58



Class reunions, soccer, the traditional Torch Run – plus gospel singer and songwriter Fernando Ortega – were all woven into the fabric of Homecoming 2008 at Indiana Wesleyan University.

“There really was something for everyone,” said Rick Carder, Alumni Director for IWU’s College of Arts and Sciences. “It’s a new day for Homecoming. What alums may have experienced in Homecomings past doesn’t compare with what we are doing now and where we will take it in the future.”

The Torch Run, which began with a pep rally on Marion’s courthouse square and ended with a bonfire on the lawn of the President’s Home, kicked off Homecoming weekend.

Gordon Ritchie, chaplain of the Wounded Warrior Regiment at the Marine Corps Development Command in Quantico, Virginia, came back to campus for his 25-year class reunion and spoke at the annual President’s Prayer Breakfast.

Christy Lipscomb, co-founder (with her husband Adam) of an inner-city church in Grand Rapids, Michigan, celebrated her 10-year reunion by speaking at the Homecoming chapel service.

Ortega, who is classically trained as a pianist in the Hispanic tradition of his New Mexico homeland, was joined on stage by the 80-voice

IWU Chorale for the Homecoming concert.

For some IWU alumni, such as Maralyn Higgins Lyne, Homecoming provided an opportunity to rediscover the main campus in Marion. Lyne, who graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1958, now lives in Carlsbad, California, but returns to campus often with her husband, Ray ’61, who does consulting work for IWU.

“Indiana Wesleyan has grown so much since we were here as students,” Maralyn Lyne said. “Alums need to come back occasionally to see what a beautiful campus it is.”

For many other alumni, such as Michelle Yeager, it was a time of rediscovery.

Yeager, who graduated in 2002 from the College of Adult and Professional Studies, attended classes at IWU’s regional campus in Louisville. She was visiting campus for the second time.

“I was amazed by the campus, especially the Student Center,” said Yeager, one of the graduates honored at the Alumni Banquet. “Homecoming is a wonderful time to remember your memories from IWU, regardless of where you attended classes.”

Yeager is one of more than 30,000 graduates who have earned degrees through IWU’s Adult and Graduate Studies programs.

Outstanding alumni honored at Homecoming



Sheldon Duecker



Adam Lipscomb



Christy Lipscomb



Michelle Yeager



Don Cady



Gordon Ritchie



James Poore

DR. SHELDON DUECKER

DISTINGUISHED SENIOR ALUMNUS AWARD

Dr. Sheldon Duecker, College of Arts & Sciences '48, is a retired bishop of the United Methodist Church. He has two graduate degrees from Christian Theological Seminary. After pastoring churches in northern Indiana for 40 years, he served as the denomination's director of the North Indiana Conference Council on Ministries and as Superintendent of the Fort Wayne District. After retiring as a bishop, Duecker worked as a consultant to the development office of Africa University in Zimbabwe.

ADAM & CHRISTY LIPSCOMB

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT ALUMNI AWARD

Reverends Adam Lipscomb, College of Arts & Sciences '98, and Christy (Hontz) Lipscomb, College of Arts & Sciences '98, are co-founding pastors of City Life Church, a Wesleyan, multicultural church in the Grand Rapids, Michigan, inner city. The church was started three years ago and is ethnically and economically diverse. It is a church home for members of the middle class, the homeless and many recovering addicts. The Lipscombs have master's degrees from Asbury Theological Seminary and are ordained ministers in The Wesleyan Church.

MICHELLE YEAGER

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT ALUMNA AWARD

Michelle Yeager, College of Adult & Professional Studies '02, is the Uniserve Director for the Jefferson County (Kentucky) Teachers Association and is the publisher of OnyxLouisville, a source of online information for urban professionals in the Louisville area. She did her undergraduate work at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and is a former elementary teacher in Louisville. She was named Louisville Young Professional of the Year in 2004 and is listed in *Who's Who in Black Louisville* for 2007 and 2008.

DON CADY

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS AWARD

Don Cady, College of Arts & Sciences '83, has served Wesleyan Publishing House for more than two decades, first as business manager and, since 1999, as General Publisher. Under his leadership, the firm has published resources for pastors, laity and church leaders that focus on Bible teaching and study, leadership development and transformational living. In recent years, the publishing house has expanded into broader church markets, including other Wesleyan-Holiness denominations as well as major Christian bookstore chains.

GORDON RITCHIE

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS AWARD

Gordon Ritchie, College of Arts & Sciences '83, is chaplain of the Wounded Warrior Regiment at the Marine Corps Detachment Command in Quantico, Virginia. He has a Master of Divinity Degree from Asbury Theological Seminary and is an ordained elder in The Wesleyan Church. He has served both the Navy and Marines as a chaplain and was deployed to the Mideast in support of Operation Desert Storm, Operation Restore Hope, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operator Iraqi Freedom III.

JAMES POORE II

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS AWARD

James Poore II, College of Adult & Professional Studies '92, is president of the McDonald's Cooperative of Central Indiana and is the owner-operator of three McDonald's Restaurants in the Indianapolis area. He recently began a two-year term as President of the IWU Alumni Board (See story on Page 22.) He has an undergraduate degree in agricultural economics and previously worked for Monsanto Agricultural Products. He is the author of *Christian Principles of Managing Money* and has worked as a consultant for churches.



IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Harold Eugene Bardsley

March 22, 1935 – February 3, 2009

Dr. Harold E. Bardsley, who devoted his life to serving Indiana Wesleyan University and The Wesleyan Church, died unexpectedly on February 3 at his home in Florida. He was 73.

Dr. Bardsley earned his bachelor's degree in religion and philosophy from IWU in 1958 and was in his 32nd year as a member of the IWU Board of Trustees. He had been Vice Chairman of the Board for 31 years.

Dr. Bardsley served with five IWU presidents and was on the committees that hired most of them. He also received a Master of Arts Degree in Ministry from IWU in 1981.

Dr. Bardsley was a former president of the Alumni Association. A project he initiated years ago, the Alumni Phone-a-Thon, now raises about \$150,000 annually.

In connection with his 50-year class reunion in 2008, Dr. Bardsley headed an initiative that raised \$50,000 for a new IWU program in Zambia.

"Any remembrance of Dr. Harold Bardsley finds Indiana Wesleyan University at the heart of the story," said Dr. Henry Smith, IWU President. "He exhibited the highest ideals of his alma mater."

President Smith noted that Dr. Bardsley had the third-longest tenure of any Trustee in IWU history but said his legacy went well beyond the length of time he served.

"During his 17 years as Chairman of the IWU Building Committee, nearly \$200 million in new construction was completed on the Marion campus," Smith said.

After graduating from IWU in 1958, Dr. Bardsley served 20 years as pastor of the Greentown Wesleyan

Church. He devoted the last 30 years of his career to church administration, including 16 years as superintendent of the Indiana North District.

In June 2008, Dr. Bardsley received a medallion from the denomination for 50 years of service. He also had an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from IWU and had received a Meritorious Service award from the IWU Alumni Association.

Dr. Kenneth Heer said Dr. Bardsley's two great loves were education and ministry.

"Harold had a history of investing himself in the lives of young pastors," said Dr. Heer, a friend and long-time colleague. "He was a student of pastoral ministry. He both taught and modeled pastoral ministry."

Dr. Bardsley is survived by his wife, Joan; two sons, Mark and Michael; a stepson, Chad McManus; one brother and three sisters.

Dr. Bardsley's first wife, Sarah Catherine, died in April 2002.

The memorial service was at College Wesleyan Church in Marion. Memorials may be made to the Bardsley, Dunn and Woods Family Scholarship at IWU. The scholarship supports third-year students at the University.

"We gather to celebrate the home going of a child of God," Dr. Bardsley's son, the Rev. Mark Bardsley, said at the memorial service. "This is the culmination of our faith, this is one of faith's finest hours.

"My father was a church statesman but, most important, a servant of the living God," he said.

President's Cabinet Adds Two New Members



Dr. Darlene Bressler, Vice President and Academic Dean

Dr. Darlene Bressler has been named Vice President and Academic Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Indiana Wesleyan University. Bressler was on the faculty at Houghton College in New York for 27 years before coming to IWU in September.

Bressler will succeed Dr. Dwight Jessup, who is serving as IWU's interim Vice President and Academic Dean for the 2008-09 academic year. She will be responsible for providing academic leadership for all aspects of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Bressler has served as Associate Dean for the College of Arts and Sciences since September 2008, working closely with Jessup. When she assumes her new role June 1, Bressler will be the second woman to serve in the IWU President's Cabinet.

"She brings to her new position an unusually articulate grasp of, and commitment to, the liberal arts as the foundation for personal and professional growth," said Dr. David Wright, IWU

Provost and Chief Academic Officer. "She also has an impressive personal record of excellence in teaching and administration."

Bressler earned her bachelor's degree at Geneva College and her master's degree from Wilkes University, both in Pennsylvania. She has a doctorate, with an emphasis in curriculum and instruction, from the University of Rochester in New York.

In addition to teaching at Houghton College, Bressler served four years as Chair of the Education Department and four years as Associate Academic Dean, which was an elected faculty position.

In 2004, Bressler received the Student Government Association Award as Teacher of the Year at Houghton.

"Dr. Bressler is a long-standing member of The Wesleyan Church," said Dr. Henry Smith, IWU President. "Her understanding of the Wesleyan tradition will enable her to support our heritage and advance the mission of IWU."



Dr. Duane Kilty, Vice President for Business Affairs and CFO

Dr. Duane Kilty became Indiana Wesleyan University's Vice President for Business Affairs and Chief Financial Officer in January. He had been Chancellor of Taylor University Fort Wayne since 2006.

Kilty has more than 20 years of administrative experience in fiscal management, strategic planning and personnel management in Christian higher education. In addition to his experience at Taylor, Kilty also has been an administrator at Huntington University and at Asbury Theological Seminary.

"Over the years, God has provided a wide variety of experiences in a variety of settings that have prepared me to effectively serve IWU at this point in history," Kilty said. "My wife, Joni, and I feel that God has called us to this role, and we are pleased to be joining the IWU family."

Kilty will succeed Elvin Weinmann, who has been IWU's Chief Financial Officer since 1999. Weinmann will remain with IWU as an Assistant Vice President of Finance.

Kilty was hired after a nationwide search that took almost a year and attracted 33 candidates. Five candidates were brought to campus for interviews.

"Dr. Kilty is exceptionally experienced and is a perfect mission fit to a team of outstanding senior leaders at IWU," said Dr. Henry Smith, IWU President. Kilty, who is a Certified Public Accountant, has a doctorate in business administration plus a Master of Business Administration.

"To have a CFO with Dr. Kilty's academic preparation is outstanding," Smith said. "With the planned closing of Taylor's Fort Wayne campus, Dr. Kilty's move to Marion was an excellent match of his availability with IWU's need."

IWU's Business Affairs Office manages a \$175 million annual budget and also has oversight of several University auxiliaries, including the bookstore and food service. The CFO also is responsible for the Human Resources department – a major responsibility with IWU's 1,000-employee workforce.



IWU Gets Lilly Endowment Grant to Stem ‘Brain Drain’

Indiana Wesleyan University has been awarded a \$500,000 matching grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to develop and implement a new approach to summer internships. The university will provide an additional \$500,000 to fund the five-year Enterprise Community Initiative.

The latest initiative is part of an ongoing effort by Lilly Endowment, in partnership with IWU and other Indiana colleges and universities, to address the state’s brain drain. Over the course of the initiative, IWU will identify 10 Indiana Enterprise Communities to partner with in providing a holistic student internship experience.

Students will participate in a paid internship that aligns with their academic area of study, but they will also:

- Live in the community where they are interning.
- Participate in community service.
- Attend a local church.
- And be connected to an IWU alumni mentor within that same community.

The entire experience will be supported through a free two-credit course that students will enroll in during the summer of the experience. This multi-faceted approach to internships

will promote community investment and enhance the student experience through several academic and community-based layers of support.

The program will begin in June 2009 with five internships each in three areas. Grant County will be one site for internships this summer, along with southwest Fort Wayne and northeast Indianapolis.

At the end of the five-year program, there will be eight internships in each of the 10 Enterprise Communities.

The Enterprise Community Initiative will be located in the new Enterprise Zone facility, an office that comprises the experiential arm of the Center for Life Calling and Leadership in IWU’s Student Center.

Two employees will be hired for the program, which will be directed by Jill Morrison, IWU’s Coordinator of Internships.

Lilly Endowment Inc. is an Indianapolis-based philanthropic foundation created in 1937. The Endowment supports the causes of religion, education and community development.

In the last two decades, IWU has received almost \$40 million in grants from Lilly Endowment.



Professional Degrees Generating Wide Interest

IWU Gets Approval to Offer M.Div. and Ed.S. Degrees

Indiana Wesleyan University has received accreditation approval for two new professional programs: one to prepare pastors and the other to prepare school superintendents.

The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools voted in December to extend IWU's accreditation to include the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) and Educational Specialist (Ed.S.) degrees.

The Higher Learning Commission is the largest of six regional accrediting agencies recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

Master of Divinity Degree Lays Foundation for Seminary

Almost 100 people have expressed an interest in IWU's new Master of Divinity degree in the three months since the University received approval to begin the program.

"We're just beginning to market the degree, so most of the initial interest has been generated by word of mouth," Professor Russ Gunsalus said. "We have received inquiries from prospective students as well as from Wesleyan District Superintendents."

Gunsalus is Chairman of the IWU Graduate Ministry program.

The M.Div. Degree prepares people to be ministers and is the foundational degree for a seminary. A task force, consisting of officials from IWU and The Wesleyan Church, has been meeting for two years to consider creating a seminary on the Marion campus.

The Wesleyan Church, which owns IWU, does not have its own seminary.

The M.Div. degree, which is a 75 credit-hour program, will begin accepting students for the fall 2009 semester. About 30 students will be accepted for the first classes, but the five-year

goal for the program is 250 students.

Students pursuing an M.Div. degree will be able to take all of their classes on the Marion campus. There also will be a hybrid program, in which students would take some classes in Marion and others online.

Current religion professors would teach some of the M.Div. classes, but IWU also has begun a search for two additional faculty members for the program. Gunsalus said several applications also have been received from potential faculty members.

Educational Specialist Degree Attracts School Principals

About 50 people have requested information about the Educational Specialist degree and several have already submitted applications.

"Most of the applicants, as well as people seeking information, are IWU alumni," Dr. Michael Trego said. "Many of them have completed Master of Education and Principal Licensure programs at IWU and currently are school principals."

Trego is the Director of the Principal Licensure Program and the Ed.S. program.

The Ed.S. program will prepare building-level school administrators, primarily principals, to take an additional step to become superintendents of school corporations and districts. The degree is required for licensing as a school superintendent.

The one-year program, which will begin enrolling students in March or April, was a logical next step for IWU's graduate education programs.

Ed.S. courses will be offered primarily at various sites, although some classes will be offered online. This program is only offered in Indiana.

MASTER OF DIVINITY



Sensing a call to ministry, but can't find the right school? Well, look no further. IWU announces a revolutionary new M.Div. program that could change the way ministerial education is done. What makes the IWU M.Div. different?

- **MISSIONAL:** Every student will engage in ministry and service as a central part of the program from beginning to end. First and foremost, IWU is committed to serving Christ, the Church, the Kingdom and the world.
- **INTEGRATED:** The IWU curriculum is shaped by what ministers really do. You'll complete many assignments in your local ministry setting. While every course is highly practical, sound biblical and theological content is woven throughout the curriculum.
- **SPIRITUALLY ENRICHING:** The IWU program doesn't just teach about God, it helps you connect with God. You will develop spiritual disciplines to strengthen and sustain your ministry for years to come.
- **PERSONALIZED:** The IWU program is designed to fit your schedule. Take courses online (with occasional visits to Marion) or completely on campus. Select either a youth ministry or leadership concentration. You'll even tailor much of your coursework to your current ministry.
- **ECONOMICAL:** The IWU tuition rate is one of the lowest in the country. And at only 75 hours (most M.Div. programs are 90 hours), IWU also offers one of the most compressed. In short, the IWU program will save you time and money.
- **LEADING-EDGE:** Study with expert faculty and learn from leading practitioners on location. As the largest university in the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities, IWU provides students with a wealth of resources, including one of the finest campuses and libraries in the country.

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Why I Teach

Four Faculty Members Take Top Honors in IWU Essay Contest

Dr. Tim Steenbergh graduated from IWU in 1993 and returned to teach 10 years later.

FIRST PLACE

*Dr. Tim Steenbergh
Assistant Professor of Psychology*

'Learning to Love Filet Mignon'

Filet Mignon. That's what I called him. He was a long-haired, baggy jeans-wearing, cool-talking psychology student who made me wonder why I ever started teaching. When he showed up for my Urban Encounter course I figured he was in for a lesson. I had no idea he'd also be teaching me a lesson.

The lesson began at the end of spring semester, when Filet Mignon took an experiential course that included a trip to Chicago. Students began in the Uptown neighborhood, where homeless people wandered the streets and BMWs zoomed by.

Next, we headed to the Magnificent Mile, one of Chicago's wealthiest displays. We walked past trendy restaurants and \$4,000-per-month apartments. We ate at a nice restaurant on the ground floor of the John Hancock Center. The five students at my table ordered modestly-priced meals, mostly salads or sandwiches. I encouraged

them to leave room for dessert, trying to signal that it was okay to enjoy themselves.

After dessert, I walked over to pick up the bill from the other table of students. I had hoped that they had shared a similar experience—digesting the images of poverty while being served another meal of privilege. My hope nosedived when I looked at the receipt. Eight lines down, there it was: Filet Mignon.

A few students joked uncomfortably about his entrée choice while others quietly finished their desserts. How could someone order the most expensive item on the menu after all we had seen? And order an appetizer, coffee, and dessert? His meal dented my budget \$50—more than some poor people spend on food for a month.

I looked at Filet. He said nothing, but his smile said he was content. What could I say? This teacher gave up on him.

I returned to campus to find Filet in my statistics class.

Filet Mignon's lesson (and mine) came the last week of the semester. He was

working with a dataset on 1990 high school graduation rates. In the middle of class, he sat up in his seat and blurted, "Are these numbers right? Only 64% of Mississippi teens graduate from High School? How is that possible? Just about everybody from my high school graduated."

During his final presentation to the class, Filet discussed the inverse correlation between state poverty levels and graduation rates. Poor people don't tend to graduate from high school. He got it—poverty isn't just about being short on cash, it's about being short on opportunities.

I got it, too. Education is about offering students opportunities to change. After blowing off several opportunities to change, his head and his heart started working together. And, at the same time, so did mine. Filet reminded me why I started teaching. Teaching challenges me to use more than my head. It requires me to use my heart.

SECOND PLACE

*Dr. Harriet Rojas
Associate Professor of Business
Administration*

'No Thought of Future Reward'

Reflecting back on those who impacted my approach to teaching, there are things that become very clear. Five teachers, ranging from my second-grade teacher through my college professors, invested themselves in my life with no thought of future reward. They taught me to care for the person, impart life skills, be enthused about my subject matter, believe in an individual's ability, and make learning fun. I strive to do all five every day – that is why I teach!

THIRD PLACE

*Dr. Phil Millage
Professor of Business*

'A Professional and Spiritual Pursuit'

For me, teaching has become both a professional and a spiritual pursuit. The spiritual aspect of teaching is the influence I am granted over those I teach, and the investment I make in their lives. Our time on earth is too precious to waste in search of a paycheck. Teaching, for me, is more than a career – it is an endeavor that brings meaning to my life. I teach so that I can send living messages into a time and place that I will never see.

FOURTH PLACE

*Dr. Keith Starcher
Associate Professor of Business*

'Why This Matters to Students'

Through my role as a professor, I have the privilege to interact with students in a potentially meaningful way. I can be a relationship that matters to a student. In the grand scheme of things, even when I don't realize it, my teaching has meaning and value in and of itself. It matters to me. And sometimes I am humbled to see that it matters to my students as well.

Study to Provide Framework for IWU Marketing Strategy

The first stage of a multiphase branding process has been completed as Indiana Wesleyan University moves forward with its brand identity study in partnership with nationally known marketing strategists SimpsonScarborough.

Elizabeth Scarborough, CEO and Partner of SimpsonScarborough, has given several presentations and updates to the steering committee, President Henry Smith and the Board of Trustees with findings that strongly support and strengthen IWU's mission statement.

"The identity initiative is designed to help the entire IWU community get on the same page and sing with one voice that they are a premier university," Scarborough says.

Survey respondents were spread over a wide spectrum, including current and prospective students, church leaders, peer institutions and local businesses.

Throughout the process, Scarborough has stressed the importance of keeping IWU's internal community informed and the benefit of seeking their counsel.

"The study of IWU's internal audiences, including both faculty and staff, is absolutely critical to the identity initiative," Scarborough says.

Steve Christensen, Internal Project Manager and Executive Director of Marketing, says, "This data driven marketing survey will assess how this institution is perceived."

"Once we determine this perception within the higher education marketplace, we will merge what we are doing right with what our goals are and build a cohesive identity that will strengthen our image and brand awareness," Christensen says. "The information that we have compiled from this study will be used to position our marketing strategies in the years to come."

IWU would like to thank everyone who has participated in the study. The input received will aid the University in achieving one of its main strategic goals of becoming a premier academic institution.

Tweedell to Head Center for Research in Adult Learning



Dr. Cynthia Tweedell

Dr. Cynthia Tweedell has been named Executive Director of the CCCU Center for Research in Adult Learning, which is located at Indiana Wesleyan University. The Center is a joint effort between the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU) and IWU.

Tweedell traveled to Washington, D.C., in January 2009, with President Henry Smith and Dr. Mike Bonner, Vice

President for the College of Adult & Professional Studies, to conduct a panel discussion on the new program at the CCCU President's Conference.

"Our breakfast roundtable in Washington generated a lot of interest – and a lot of questions – about the new research center," Tweedell said. "CCCU institutions which do not have adult education programs were especially interested in getting information."

Since the Center was established in 2008, a 14-member steering committee has been named. The committee includes representatives of CCCU member institutions across the country.

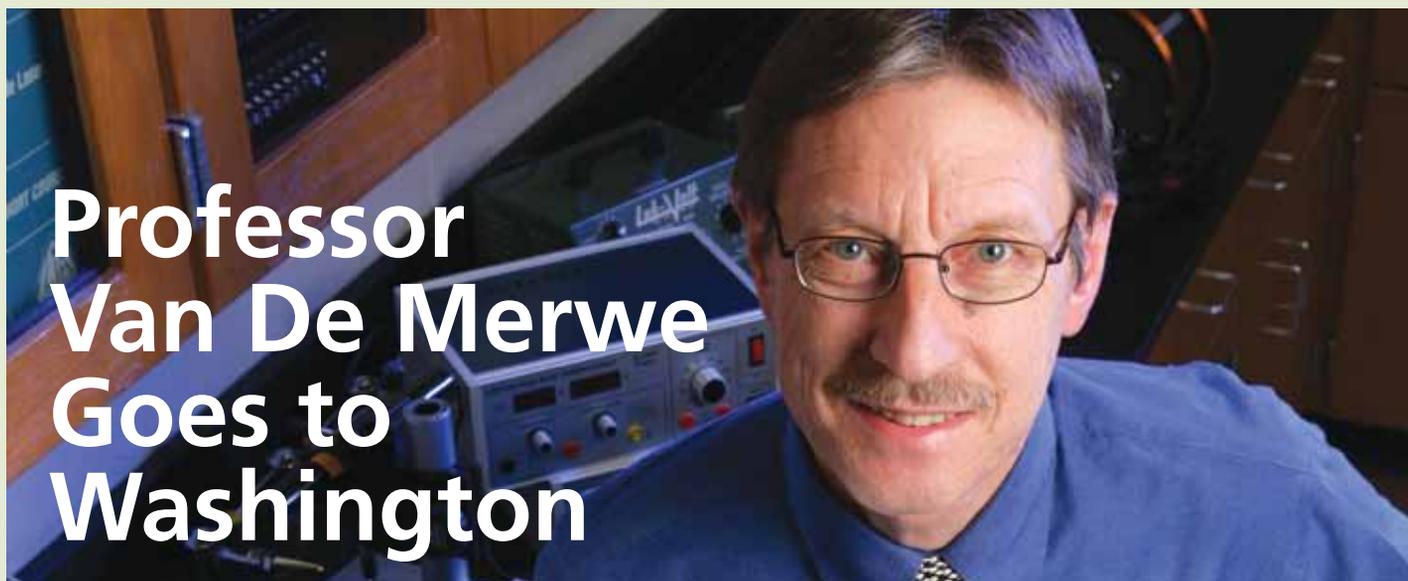
Tweedell and Dr. Bradford Sample, Dean of the College of Adult and Professional Studies, represent IWU on the steering committee.

The inaugural conference of the Center will be May 12-13 at IWU's Greenwood Education Center, near Indianapolis. The conference theme will be "Enhancing the Quality of Christ-Centered Adult Education."

Tweedell, previously IWU's Associate Dean for Institutional Effectiveness, has done research and taught online and onsite classes for more than 28 years. Since 1998, she has directed assessment of adult education programs at IWU.

"The Research Center will fill a gap in the research literature," Tweedell said.

For more information, visit the Research Center website at www.indwes.edu/cral.



Professor Van De Merwe Goes to Washington

by Rachelle Ponist '09

As the war on terror spread across the globe, Dr. Willem Van De Merwe was invited last year to advise the United States government on issues of international security.

Van De Merwe, who has taught physics at Indiana Wesleyan University since 1995, received a prestigious William C. Foster Fellow Visiting Scholar placement in the Department of State in Washington, D.C.

Specifically, Van De Merwe worked in the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, which reports to the Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security.

"We worked on weapons of mass destruction detection, their safeguarding and elimination as well as studies related to their medical effects and protection," Van De Merwe said.

Van De Merwe focused on one specific area. "I mainly worked with the Office of Strategic Planning and Outreach," he said. "It is at the top level of the State Department and required top secret security clearance."

The office deals with issues surrounding all aspects of international security, including bio-terrorism and bio-defense.

During his fellowship, Van De Merwe had the opportunity to work with key governmental agencies, including the Department of Defense, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Homeland Security.

From the first day, he was involved in important international security issues.

"One of the first meetings I sat in on included a discussion concerning the destruction of large stockpiles of chemical

weapons in Libya and Albania," Van De Merwe said. "The problem that the United States encounters is how you verify that other countries have, indeed, gotten rid of the weapons."

He also had the opportunity to meet high-profile individuals. "It was a high point to work at a level where you are meeting with such influential people like (Secretary of State) Condoleezza Rice," Van De Merwe said.

"It was definitely a highlight to meet people from all over the world."

One memorable experience for Van De Merwe was a trip to Bucharest, Romania, for a NATO conference meeting and workshop.

"It was called partly to set up a center and program of excellence for bio-defense in Romania," he said.

"It was definitely a highlight to meet people from all over the world, from different bio-defense centers and NATO headquarters, and to reach and help those who are doing bio-defense in Turkey, Georgia, Serbia and even Germany," he said.

Van De Merwe said the fellowship was a learning experience.

"It is tremendously exciting to see so many different interacting aspects affecting the world economy, world views and even the use of weaponry," he said. "I now have a much better understanding of the complexity of global humanitarian issues."

Lisa Toland: 'Captivated by history'

By Heather Moline '11

Whether she was listening to family tales in her Iowa home or exploring the grand halls of Westminster Abbey during her first trip to England, Dr. Lisa Toland always was captivated by history.

In 2001, Toland was the first graduate of Indiana Wesleyan University's John Wesley Honors College. She finished her degree, with majors in history and English literature, in three years and graduated with honors.

Seven years after an educational journey that took her through two Oxfords – one in Ohio and the other in England – Toland returned to the IWU campus in September 2008 for a two-year appointment as IWU's first Post-Doctoral Fellow.

As an IWU undergraduate, Toland spent a semester at the University of Oxford in England through a study abroad program. "Although I aspired to attend Oxford, I never thought it was possible to return as a graduate student," she said.

A few years later, however, she was back at Oxford University in England – after earning an M.A. in European History at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. She recently completed her Master of Studies and a Doctorate in Early Modern British History at Oxford University.

Toland said her time at England's Oxford was both challenging and rewarding. Libraries and archives were at her fingertips "I was enchanted by the surreal intersection of history and everyday life," she said.

For example, she attended weekly seminars in "The Queen's Room," where the wife of Charles I resided during their 1640s hideout in Oxford. While at Oxford, Toland was a Junior Dean and tutor for the Centre for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.

Although she's traded the Oxford campus for the IWU campus, Toland still has one foot in England. Besides teaching at IWU, she is researching the dynamics of elite English families by studying burial trends as a window into understanding their family relationships.

In layman's terms, Toland said, "I study the social world of Jane Austen's great-great-grandparents."



Lisa Toland

Toland said when she left a comfortable life in the United States for a new adventure overseas, she was nervous. "However, that feeling of terror only lasted briefly," she said. "When days were difficult, the knowledge that I was being led by God was comforting."

The Post-Doctoral program is one of several IWU initiatives to enhance scholarship and the academic culture.

"The program will benefit both the Fellow and the University as students learn about graduate life, scholars learn about teaching careers and they both produce scholarship together," said Dr. Jerry Pattengale, Assistant Provost,

Unlike similar programs that focus exclusively on research, IWU's program allows professors to concentrate on both research and teaching. Fellows are given a lighter class load and funding to conduct study and research.

Dr. Mark Smith, Associate Professor of History, is serving as Toland's faculty mentor, which is another key component of the Post-Doctoral Fellow program.

Pattengale believes the program will push IWU to a new academic tier and said Toland is the perfect candidate to begin the initiative. "If you looked at the entire national pool of applicants for post-doctoral programs with a humanities focus, Lisa would surface to the top of every one of them. She's that strong," he said.

Although IWU has just one Fellow for the 2008-09 academic year, there will be two Fellows beginning next year. The program has the potential to eventually include five to seven Fellows.

athletic round-up

IWU Wins Two Cups for Best Overall Athletic Program

Indiana Wesleyan University has received top honors from both the Mid-Central College Conference (MCC) and the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) for having the best overall athletic programs in the two conferences.

It was the seventh consecutive year that IWU had won the MCC Commissioners Cup, which is based on points awarded to member schools for their team standings in each sport. It was the 13th time IWU had won the Cup overall.

IWU also won the 2008-09 NCCAA President's Cup by winning five national championships.

IWU was well represented during the 2008 fall season at the national level as four teams made trips to National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) National Tournaments.

Both **cross country** teams earned bids to the NAIA national meet as the women

earned an automatic bid by capturing the MCC Conference championship while the men collected an at-large bid. The women finished 11th, and the men finished 15th at the national meet.

The **women's soccer** team qualified for the NAIA National Championship Opening Round with a 4-0 victory over top-seed Marian (Indiana) College in the MCC Tournament championship match. The Wildcats made their fourth ever appearance at the national tournament and first since 2005. IWU battled defending champion Martin Methodist (Tennessee) College in the Opening Round before losing 2-0.

Volleyball produced the program's first ever NAIA National Tournament appearance. The Wildcats defeated top-seed Taylor (Indiana) University, 3-2, in the MCC Tournament championship match. The win secured Indiana Wesleyan's seventh consecutive MCC Tournament crown. The Wildcats

matched up with Dordt (Iowa) College in the NAIA National Championship Opening Round, losing 3-2.

In addition to the four teams that have already competed at the highest stage in the NAIA, the **men's and women's tennis** teams also earned tickets to the NAIA National Tournament, which will be May 12-16 in Mobile, Alabama.

The tennis teams combined for a perfect MCC conference slate in addition to the MCC Tournament championships. The women's championship marks the 17th straight for the Wildcats.

The **men's soccer** team also had a successful 2008 season as the Wildcats defeated Roberts Wesleyan (New York) College 2-0 to attain the program's first NCCAA National Championship.

As the *Triangle* went to press in March, both the IWU men's and women's basketball teams were nationally ranked and in the hunt for MCC championships.





IWU's Randall King (center) worked with community leaders Cindy Fortney and Scott Murphy to host the second annual United Way Telethon.

Telethon raises \$20,490 for United Way

WIWU TV-51, Indiana Wesleyan University's campus TV station, raised \$20,490 in the second annual telethon to support United Way of Grant County.

The telethon, in October 2008, generated four times as many calls and donations than during the previous inaugural year, but the major portion of the money came from corporate sponsors.

At a kick-off breakfast for the annual United Way campaign, IWU President Henry Smith announced that the University would match donations up to \$1,500 and challenged nine other corporations to do the same. Eleven corporations accepted the challenge.

"The biggest piece of it is awareness," said Dr. Randall King, Professor of Communication and Director of Broadcast Media at IWU. "We put a face on the programs that United Way helps."

IWU has supported United Way for many years through payroll deduction and volunteer work.

IWU students were critical to the telethon's success, said Stephanie Frame, community production manager for WIWU-TV. "People don't think of producing a television show as community service, but it is a different kind of service," she said.

Ruth Luckey, Widow of Former IWU President, Dies

Ruth Ida B. Luckey, died February 1, 2009, at a hospital in Wellsville, New York. She was 86.

She was the widow of Dr. Robert Luckey, who served as President of Indiana Wesleyan University from 1976 to 1984 and returned to campus as Acting President for the 1986-1987 academic year. He died October 25, 2007.

Mrs. Luckey was valedictorian of the Houghton College class of 1945. Over the years, she taught part-time at Houghton College, Houghton Academy and the Wesleyan Academy in Puerto Rico.

Funeral services for Mrs. Luckey were at the Houghton Wesleyan Church in Houghton, New York.

Mrs. Luckey is survived by four sons, James, John, Peter and Thomas; and a daughter, Linda Reed. Another son, Daniel, died in 1968.

IWU Telesale Raises Almost \$90,000

The 14th annual Indiana Wesleyan University Scholarship Telesale raised about \$90,000.

The 2009 telesale aired four nights in January, instead of the previous five nights, and the telecast each evening was 30 minutes shorter than previous year.

Local merchants and friends of IWU donated all of the merchandise. Hundreds of community volunteers helped sell the items and answer phones.

In its 14-year history, the telesale has raised about \$1.6 million. All of the proceeds go for student scholarships. The event is produced live in the studios of WIWU-TV, IWU's Television Station.

The Telesale was produced by students and faculty members from IWU's Communication Arts Department.



Dr. Barbara Ihrke and Professor Rob Dawson.

Ihrke Named Executive Director of Nursing Programs

Dr. Barbara Ihrke has been named the Executive Director of Nursing Programs at Indiana Wesleyan University.

The various nursing programs serve almost 2,000 students: 500 in undergraduate nursing programs on the Marion campus; 25 in an accelerated second-degree program; 1,000 in a Bachelor of Science completion program for registered nurses; and 450 in Master of Science in Nursing programs.

Ihrke joined the IWU nursing faculty in 1993 after serving as a missionary nurse in Africa. She has been Chair of the Nursing Division since 2005.

As executive director, Ihrke will coordinate leadership for all IWU nursing programs, which are preparing for an accreditation visit in November 2009 by the Commission for Collegiate Nursing Education. Accreditation for the nursing programs was last renewed in 1999.

"Dr. Ihrke will serve as Executive Director of Nursing Programs, which is a full-time administrative faculty position, through the 2009-2010 fiscal year. At that time, we hope to have a clearer picture of the future of nursing education at IWU," Dr. David Wright, IWU Provost and Chief Academic Officer, said.

Rob Dawson, who joined the nursing faculty in 2004, will serve as interim chair of the division for the spring 2009 semester.

"Professor Dawson has distinguished himself as an able administrator in his work at IWU, especially in regard to his leadership with the transition-to-nursing program," Wright said. "He enjoys the respect of his colleagues."

Ihrke will continue to hold an appointment in the Division of Nursing at her current rank of Professor.

IWU to Sponsor County Spelling Bee

Indiana Wesleyan University will sponsor the 2009 Grant County Spelling Bee, which annually attracts about 100 students from county schools. The Grant County winner advances to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in May in Washington, D.C.

There was no county spelling bee in 2008, after the *Chronicle-Tribune* discontinued its sponsorship of the event. The newspaper had sponsored the local spelling bee since 1971.

The 2009 spelling bee will be March 17 in Phillippe Performing Arts Center at IWU, where it has been held in recent years. Dr. Scott Turcott, a communications professor at IWU, will continue as the pronouncer.

Scripps officials said IWU would be the only University in the country sponsoring a local spelling bee, whose winner advances to the national competition.

New Social Sciences and Music Majors Approved

Two new majors are now available for Indiana Wesleyan University students who want to make public policy or professional music their career focus.

Social Sciences

A new major and minor in Public Policy will help address what the U.S. Office of Personnel Management says is a strong demand for graduates with those skills. "This could be an explosive field. There is a real need for professionals with public policy skills," said Dr. David Bartley, Chair of the Division of Social Sciences.

IWU will be the only member institution of the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities to offer both a

major and minor in Public Policy. Indiana University is the only other college in the state to offer both degrees.

The Public Policy major is useful in preparing students for employment as policy analysts in the public, private and nonprofit sectors, Bartley said. The major also serves as a foundation for graduate study as well as postgraduate professional schools.

Music

A new Bachelor of Music degree is now available to students who have dreams of becoming performers or composers. IWU's first professional degree in music, the Bachelor of Music will serve as a stepping-stone to graduate school.

The B.M. degree will be offered with specializations in performance and composition. Under the new degree, music classes will constitute 65 percent of a student's total curriculum.

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Music, which will still be offered, limits music classes to 30 to 45 percent of a student's total curriculum.

Dr. Todd Guy, Chair of the IWU Division of Music, said the new degree programs would provide a rich cultural center for the IWU community and the community at-large. "Through solo performances by our students, and through the presentation of original works of music, IWU will become a resource and advocate for music in the broader community," Guy said.

IWU Prepares for 2010 Accreditation Visit

Indiana Wesleyan University is midway through a two-year journey of self-examination that will end in April 2010 with a visit by a team of peer consultant-evaluators from the Higher Learning Commission of the North

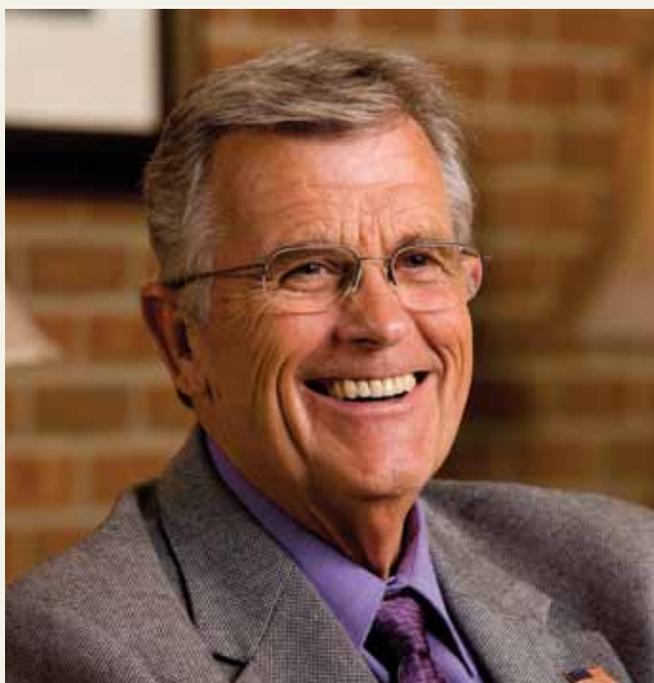
Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

The visiting team will make an accreditation recommendation to the Commission and provide counsel to IWU for institutional improvement.

The most recent comprehensive self-study ended in 2000, with IWU's accreditation being extended for 10 years. The University was first admitted to the North Central Association in 1986, and the blessing of accreditation has continued to this day.

IWU is seeking to have its accreditation extended for another 10 years.

Co-chairing IWU's Self-Study Steering Committee are Dr. Cynthia Tweedell, Executive Director of the CCCU Center for Research in Adult Education, and Dr. Don Sprowl, Associate Provost of the University.



Bonner to Retire, Search Committee Named

Dr. Mike Bonner, Vice President for the College of Adult and Professional Studies, plans to retire at the end of the 2009-2010 fiscal year, and a committee has been named to conduct a national search for his successor.

Bonner came to IWU in 2003 to teach in the adult education program and became a vice president in 2010. Dr. David Wright, Provost, will chair the search committee, and Dr. Larry Lindsay, Chief of Staff, will be the committee coordinator.

The committee hopes to fill the position by July 1, 2009, so the new vice president can work with Bonner for a year to help ensure a smooth transition into what is a complex division of the University.

Dr. Mike Bonner.

They're At the Top Of Their Professions

Four Indiana Wesleyan University faculty members and administrators are serving as leaders of their professional associations.

- **Thomas Ratliff**, Associate Vice President for Financial Aid, is the President-elect of the Indiana Student Financial Aid Association (ISFAA). This is a three-year commitment, starting May 1, involving one year each as president-elect, president and past president.
- **Dr. Mark Gerig**, Chair of Graduate Studies in Counseling, is the acting President of the Indiana Mental Health Counselors Association.
- **Professor Don Osborn**, Director of the Addictions Counseling Program, is President of the National Association for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors.
- **Dr. Barbara Riggs**, Associate Professor of Counseling, is President of the Indiana Marriage and Family Therapy Association.

IWU Ready to Honor Joni Eareckson Tada

Joni Eareckson Tada, the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Joni and Friends, will become the sixth person inducted into Indiana Wesleyan University's Society of World Changers. She will be honored April 1 at a campus convocation.

Joni, who was left a quadriplegic after a diving accident in 1967, founded Joni and Friends in 1979 to accelerate Christian ministry in the disability community throughout the world.

In addition to being an advocate for thousands of families who are affected by disability, Joni also is an accomplished artist and has written more than 35 books.

Spirit of Excellence Thrives in IWU Workplace

Indiana Wesleyan University is a great place to work – and it keeps getting better! That is the official word from the Best Christian Workplaces Institute.

The Institute recently announced that IWU again is included in the 2009 list of certified Best Christian Workplaces in America. The 2009 survey involved more than 11,000 employees in 113 organizations across the country.

In order to be certified, organizations must complete the Institute's Employee Engagement survey and meet predetermined standards of excellence. The survey covers issues such as:

- Job satisfaction.
- Organizational commitment.
- Christian witness.
- Supervisory effectiveness.
- Work satisfaction.
- Personal growth and development.
- Management effectiveness.
- Customer satisfaction.
- Teamwork.
- Communications.
- Pay and benefits.



"This was IWU's second time to complete the Institute's survey and the second time to be designated as a Best Christian Workplace," said Neil Rush, IWU Director of Human Resources.

"Compared to the results from the 2007 survey, the University's 2009 results showed marked improvement in both its 10 least favorable categories and in its 10 most favorable categories," he said.

As a result of IWU's success in bringing about positive organizational change, the president of the Institute, invited IWU leaders to speak to a group of Christian college leaders.

Dr. Henry Smith, IWU President, and Dr. Larry Lindsay, Chief of Staff, discussed workplace strategies in January at a meeting of the Presidents Council for Christian Colleges and Universities Conference in Washington, D.C.

The Best Christian Workplaces Institute is a research-based organizational and human resources consulting firm based in Mercer Island, Washington.

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Jeff Mohler: 'I've Always Loved the Underdog'

IWU Graduate Plays Key Role with Indiana Special Olympics

When 2,500 athletes and coaches gathered for the Indiana Summer Games of the Special Olympics, their focus was on a slender young man clad in an Indiana Wesleyan University baseball cap and T-shirt.

Jeff Mohler, who graduated from the College of Arts and Sciences in 1994, is the Vice President of Programs for Indiana's Special Olympics. Mohler earned letters in track and cross country when he was an IWU undergraduate.

After 12 years of being involved in track and field, Mohler felt he had lost his love for the sport. That all changed when he became involved with the Special Olympics.

"Once I became involved, I learned from these kids to appreciate track and field again," he said.

After graduating from IWU, Mohler studied non-profit management at Indiana University and did a Special Olympics internship in 1997. He felt God

was calling him to use his skills in event planning and sports to serve those with intellectual disabilities.

"I had a sense I wanted to work in a non-profit setting," said Mohler. "My family has been very blessed, and I just wanted to give back to the community. I've always loved the underdog. And these athletes represent the underdogs of society. But God can be glorified by them."

Since he graduated from IWU, Mohler has kept in touch with a former teammate, Kevin Alsup '92, and with their former coach, John Foss '83. Alsup and Foss travel to Indiana State University each summer to assist with the Special Olympics.

"I always believed in what Jeff was doing," said Alsup, now a teacher and coach at an Indiana high school. "It takes a lot of work behind the scenes to make this event work, and I feel I'm just doing what I can."

John Foss, who is in his 22nd year as

track and cross country coach at IWU, transports the University's track and field electronic timing system to the Special Olympics – along with a crew to operate the equipment.

Foss said his entire family has worked at the games. "Last year, my daughter Alyssa helped out," he said. "This year Josh and my youngest son, Chris, are helping for the first time."

His wife, Beth '83, and oldest son, Seth '08, are regular volunteers. Foss also encourages students to get involved in the Special Olympics.

"It seems like a lot of people have been involved and believe in the concept of the event," Foss said. "It's amazing how many people have their own stories about working with the Special Olympics and how rewarding it was for them."

Mohler has deep roots in IWU. His parents, Jim and Judy, both graduated from IWU in 1970. Judy Mohler is a former IWU Alumni Director.

Serving up Success

McDonald's Executive to Head IWU Alumni Board

into gold. Under his direction as owner-operator, Poore's restaurants have seen record sales increases.

Whether it's working through problems on a corporate level or offering solutions to nearby neighbors, Poore credits IWU's MBA program with presenting business in real-life terms.

"The small study groups IWU offers are very reminiscent of how owners talk about our business issues and how we look at potential solutions," he said. "I think back to those study sessions often when making decisions.

"Practiced professors make all the difference," Poore said of IWU faculty members. "They are business professionals. The key for a student in the field is to study under those that are working in the business world."

According to Poore, the MBA signals something different.

"It's a different level when you look at someone who has taken a deeper dive with an MBA," he said. "They have a good working knowledge of the business world aside from what you learn in text."

A native of Shaker Heights, Ohio, Poore earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural

economics from Lincoln University in Missouri. Success seemed to follow him to Monsanto Agricultural Products Company in St. Louis, where he worked in sales and marketing.

Poore later worked at the largest privately owned bank in Indiana where he was vice president and director of marketing.

When the Central Indiana McDonald's Cooperative position presented itself, Poore was confident but confided in his fellow owner-operators before accepting the two-year presidential term.

"I felt capable enough to do anything, but I wanted to be realistic and see if other owner-operators felt comfortable with me sliding into this role," Poore said. "Ultimately, I earned their support and stepped up to the challenge."

While Poore remains humbled by his peer-appointed promotion, his ultimate goal as president is anything but modest. "Our goal is to be the number one McDonald's Co-op in the nation," he said. "We do that by working together as one with our strength being in our unity. If I can do that, it's a job well done."

When the Indiana Wesleyan University Alumni Board set out in search of a new president, James S. Poore II rose to the top of the list.

"After meeting with him and learning of his successes and a little of his history, I identified him as a key individual to have involved in alumni affairs," said Lonnie Vandeventer, IWU's Alumni Director for Adult and Graduate Studies.

Poore, who earned a Master of Business Administration degree from IWU in 1992, took office as Alumni Board president in January. His term will extend through December 31, 2010.

Poore owns three McDonald's restaurants in Central Indiana. In July 2008, he was named president of the Central Indiana McDonald's Cooperative, which includes 38 owner-operators and 160 McDonald's restaurants.

"As a leader of a co-op, you have to think big," Poore said. "You can be sound from an operations standpoint, but it's best to keep things moving from a business perspective by constantly communicating with key members of the team."

It was Poore's Midas touch that turned three Indianapolis-area McDonald's arches

Bonnie Biggs a Natural for New Position

Bonnie Biggs has two degrees from Indiana Wesleyan University and has served on IWU's alumni board as a volunteer for several years. She was a natural choice to join the Alumni Office team.

Biggs has been hired as IWU's first full-time Coordinator of Alumni Events. In her new role, she will assist with regional and national initiatives to grow alumni involvement through events.

Biggs will coordinate events close to IWU's 14 regional campuses in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio as well as at other strategic sites across the country.

Biggs is ideal for this position, because she has gone through both IWU's traditional and graduate programs. She understands and has experience to relate to both alumni groups.

Biggs has a bachelor's degree in elementary education and a Master of Education degree.

"One of my goals is to reach more of the alumni," Biggs said. "There are so many out there, and some people never get back to IWU's campus or associate with us once they have graduated. My goal is to bring them back into the IWU community."



Bonnie Biggs

IWU Alumni Networking on Facebook by Amanda Holesinger '09

There's a new way to recall faces from the past without unpacking dusty old yearbooks. Increasingly, Indiana Wesleyan University alumni are connecting through the social networking site known as Facebook.

A year ago, the IWU alumni office and a group of alumni launched the

IWU Alumni-World Changers group to link alumni who already were active on Facebook.

IWU's alumni office found early success with Facebook when it was time for the senior cookout last year. Attendance and response were unprecedented, and 90 percent of alumni who registered attended the event.

In recent months, more than 500 alumni have joined the IWU Alumni-World Changers group. They join at the invitation of the alumni office, when friends invite friends or when they discover

the group as they browse Facebook.

The IWU Alumni-World Changers is a closed group, and the alumni office verifies that anyone who asks to join the group is an IWU alum.

The World Changers site features pictures of alumni and campus, videos of campus, links to update alumni on their peers, and news of campus developments. Members can post questions, information and prayer requests.

Ultimately, the group is about community and sharing the mission together. We value the relationship of our alumni. We're excited about their accomplishments.

Here is the address for the IWU Alumni-World Changers group:
<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=10293253091>



alumni news

60s

David Fruth '64 has retired from 40 years of pastoral ministry in The Wesleyan Church in Ohio, Indiana and North Carolina. His last pastorate was Mulberry



David & Ann Fruth

Wesleyan Church, Milford, Ohio, where he served 11 years. He still serves on the District Board of Administration of the Greater Ohio District. He and his wife, Ann (Staats '66), now make their home near Amelia, Ohio, in the Cincinnati area.

Wilbur E. Haggerty '69 retired from teaching in 1999: "If I were any happier, I'd be in Heaven. Survived being run over by a farm tractor on March 7, 2008, and kidney failure in May of same year. PTL!"

70s

Glenn Forrester '71 has left the legal department at Sanofi-Aventis after 23 years and is now a full-time student at the University of Pennsylvania pursuing a master's degree in Bioethics.

Debra Sue Parrigin (Babb '72) Barr writes, "We have retired! After 36-plus years with Ford Motor, my husband Harold (Skip) Barr has retired. After 15 years with South Lyon Schools I have semi-retired. After we build our new house, I may sub teach for the local county school here, where our youngest, Christopher, age 14, is a freshman."

Deborah (Totten '74) Powell was voted The City of Westminster's Rotary Club

Teacher of the Year for 2008. Powell has taught art in the City of Westminster for the last 28 years. John ('73) and Debbie reside in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Connie (Theurer '78) Evans is a buyer for Tree of Life Bookstores in Marion, Indiana.

Debbie (Hayes '78) Myers, who teaches a third-grade single-gender class of girls at Edison PK-7 School, is the Elementary Teacher of the Year. Myers has taught with Dayton Public Schools in Ohio for 22 years, in kindergarten through third grades. She was honored by her peers for her willingness to mentor other teachers, as well as for her work with the district's McKinney-Vento Homeless Children and Youth program. She was named a Star Teacher by Wright State University, in recognition that her students consistently gain more than one year's growth on the Terra Nova Achievement Tests.

80s

Robin (Blake '81) Eldridge is a part time general music teacher at Hazelwood Middle School in New Albany, Indiana.

S. Michael Wilkinson '82 is the Health Facility Administrator for Hickory Creek at Gaston in Gaston, Indiana.

Kerry Johnson '84 has been elected the 2008-2009 president of the 70-member Downtown Lions Club in Tucson, Arizona. He has been an active member for over 20 years.

Jeffrey W. Bowers '84 is Chairman of Arrow Safety Device Company and writes: "On August 31, we acquired Arrow Safety Device Company. The company has been in business for over 80 years. We manufacture and assemble lighting for the truck, construction and emergency vehicle industry. We are excited to add this company to The Bowers Group family of businesses. We look forward to the Lord's blessings. I thank IWU for the Christian education and life lessons learned while a student at IWU."

Barbara (Strait '85) Schenck graduated with her Master of Education from Siena

Heights University in May. She is in her ninth year of teaching at Adrian Public Schools in Adrian, Michigan. She currently teaches over 250 students, grades 6 to 8, in her choral program. Barb has been married to Jim for 23 years. Their oldest daughter, Katie, is a junior at IWU, their youngest daughter, Kelsey, is a senior in high school and plans to attend IWU, and their son, Wesley, is in eighth grade.

Cheryl (Sytsma '88) Heers is the receptionist for Zeeland Farm Services, Inc., in Zeeland, Michigan.

90s

David C. Daily PMP '90 is Program Manager for Eli Lilly & Company in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Kyle Dietz '91 is the owner of KMS Media Services in Smyrna, Tennessee.

Betty (Cunningham '93) Brandon is Staff Accountant for the National Retail Hardware Association in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Jane (Houk '93) Gausmann has been hired as the English/Literature and History teacher for sixth grade at Grace Preparatory School in Stafford, Virginia. She and her family relocated to Culpeper, Virginia, last summer.

Christa (Nilsen) Germain ('94) has been working as an art teacher in upstate New York for many special needs students for the past eight years. She has had an article published in *Arts & Activities*, the nation's leading art education magazine. The article was in the April '08 issue and is entitled "Building a Philosophical Framework for Special Needs Students."

Cheryl M. Lucas '94 received a Master's in Library and Information Science in 2007 and is currently employed at the new Tamarack District Library in Lakeview, Michigan.

Gregory Ranger '94 is President and CEO of TriMedx in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Beverly (Bliton '95) Burton was promoted to Supervisor with Wraparound

In Nevada, DCFS in August of 2007. She supervises five psychiatric caseworkers and one administrative assistant. Wraparound works with children who are in foster care and have severe emotional disturbances.

Darby Scalf '95 writes to say that God has opened the door for him to witness and share with others through a visual arts ministry. His presentations combine Scripture, fine arts (primarily the potter's wheel), and his personal testimony in a dramatic presentation for various Christian and civic organizations. Visit his Web site at: www.pottersministry.org. His e-mail address is dtak@swayzee.com.

Michele (Surfus '96) Henry is teaching music and is the choir director at Lakeview Christian School in Marion, Indiana.

Erick J. Hoversholm '96 retired from the Army, promoted from HQ's Army Recruiting Command, Program Manager, G-3 Directorate, to Program Analyst, G5 Directorate. Although retired, he is still proudly serving as an Army civilian. He is looking forward to completing a graduate degree through IWU in Louisville.

Steven R. King '96 has been named the Grants and Capture Management Specialist

for Appriss, Inc., of Louisville, Kentucky. Appriss is a Software as a Service company that is the nation's leader in automated crime victim notification solutions. King provides technical assistance in research for and securing grants for state and local government agencies for the purchase of Appriss' products. King also serves as the Proposal Manager for the development of bid proposals for seeking new business and conducts research and analysis on Appriss' competitors. King and his wife of 38 years, Jackie, reside in the St. Matthews neighborhood of Louisville.

Cassandra (Hendershott '96) Steele is the owner of PC Remedies in Knightstown, Indiana.

Darryl Wiggins '98 was promoted to executive administration at Fertitta Enterprise in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Tim '97 and Sheli (Geoghan '99) Massie have added a fourth child to the family. Emerson Grace was born on February 19, 2007. She joins Avery Elizabeth (10), Kennedy Zidane (7), and Kaiden Beckham (4). Tim and Sheli live outside of Chicago, Illinois. Tim teaches seventh grade social studies, and Sheli is a counselor at Provena Hospital.

Brad and Nicole (Green '97) Wolf own a design and photography studio in the Washington area. They have been working in Washington with their business partner, Jeremy Bustos, since 2001, developing a high-end studio that specializes in portraiture and graphic design.

Michael Bricker '98 recently received his Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Memphis and has accepted a position as Clinical Therapist and Post-Doctoral Fellow with Lakeshore Psychotherapy Alliance, a group private practice in Chicago, as he finishes his requirements for licensure as a Clinical Psychologist in the state of Illinois. Bricker also serves as an adjunct professor for DePaul University's graduate counseling program and has recently published a manuscript in the *Journal of Couple and Relationship Therapy*. In addition, Bricker has obtained specialized education and training in Emotion-Focused Therapy and is active in its practice and research, as well as through educating and training mental health professionals and the public on how emotions can be used adaptively in coping.

Gary Fine '98 is Senior Systems Analyst, Project Manager Professional for Conesco Services, LLC in Carmel, Indiana.

Judith (Hafler '98) Stewart is the Leadership Gifts Officer for the Children's Museum in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Jessica (Shoultz '98) Urven is Executive Assistant, CFO/COO for Alcon Entertainment in Los Angeles, California.

David & Heather Anne (Brecheisen '98) Ward write to say: "We have just recently moved to College Station, Texas, for David to attend graduate school at the Bush School of Public Service at Texas A&M University. We were previously stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington, for two years. My husband is a Major in the U.S. Army and will be continuing his career after completion of his master's degree in Public Service Administration. We have two daughters: Katie Grace who is 4 years old and Sarah Joy who is 2 1/2 years old. We are expecting our third child in February 2009." Heather Anne notes that she is fulfilled as

Economic Forum luncheon

The Alumni Relations office, in conjunction with Business and Management programs of the College of Adult and Professional Studies, will host a Speaker Series and Economic Forum luncheon at Indiana Wesleyan University's Indianapolis North Education Center on March 20.

Dr. George Howell, Associate Dean for Business and Management programs, will host a presentation and panel discussion that will address issues of today's economy. Panelists will include Dr. Mark Brooker, Assistant Professor, Business and Management; Dr. Dele Omosogbon, Associate Professor, Economics, and Dr. Gary Wilkinson, Associate Professor, Business and Management.

Cost for the luncheon, which will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., is \$10.

To register, contact Bonnie Biggs, Coordinator of Alumni Events, at 765-677-2912.

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a wife and homemaker and stays involved with Bible study and playing her violin in various settings.

Chad Dodd '99 is assistant principal at Jay County High School in Portland, Indiana.

Robert J. Femia '99 has been named to the newly-created position of Chairman, Department of Emergency Medicine at Lenox Hill Hospital in New York, New York. Femia has practiced emergency medicine for 17 years. He earned his medical degree from the University of Connecticut. His post-graduate training included a residency in emergency medicine at Michigan State University Affiliated Hospitals in Lansing, Michigan and an MBA degree from IWU.

Joe Drury '99, who holds an MBA from IWU, has joined Morgan Keegan & Co., Inc. as a financial advisor in the firm's Indianapolis, Indiana, branch. Joe has worked in banking and marketing and served 21 years in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of major. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. He serves as an adjunct faculty member at Marian College in Indianapolis.

Natalie (Smith '99) Huston is a counselor with a self-employed/Journeys Counseling, Inc., Peer In Counseling Center in Charlotte, North Carolina.

00s

Rev. Brian V. Bradford '00 began working on his doctorate of ministry degree in the Beeson Doctorate Program at Asbury Theological Seminary in the summer of 2008. He plans to continue traveling to places both nationally and internationally to see how the church is growing worldwide.

Catherine (Clark '00) Coston is handling public relations and marketing for St. Vincent Mercy Hospital in Elwood, Indiana.

Amy Garrington '00 is a coach and consultant with The Focused Group LLC, and specializes in helping individuals find fulfillment through destiny discovery and life planning. Garrington believes that each person has a unique purpose and destiny and her passion is helping people find that destiny. Garrington received an M.A. degree

in Global Leadership in June 2008 at Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, California. The Focused Group LLC helps individuals, teams and organizations develop clear and focused goals and practices.

Carin (Vardaman '00) Hines has been the co-director of dramas and musicals since January of 2007 at Creekside Middle School in Carmel, Indiana. Her husband Matthew ('02) is a Spanish teacher at Carmel Middle School in Carmel. They have two children, Ian (5) and Silas (2).

Brett Faulknor '00 is Assistant Director of Outdoor Programs at the University of San Diego in San Diego, California.



Ruth Rivera

Ruth M. Rivera '00, an associate attorney with Plews Shadley Racher & Braun LLP in Indianapolis and IWU MBA grad, was recently honored with the Up and

Coming Lawyer Award by *Indiana Lawyer* for her contributions to the legal profession and her work in the Latino community. The annual Up and Coming Lawyer Award honors attorneys who have been practicing for less than five years and who make meaningful contributions not only to the legal profession but to their communities. Jeffery D. Claflin, a Managing Partner of PSR&B, was quoted in a news release as saying, "That Ruth should be so involved in the broader legal community so early in her career, speaks volumes about her abilities, her commitment to the profession, and her potential to be a real difference maker in the years to come."

Sherry Lynn Blackburn '01 is Executive Assistant/Office Manager for Deflecto in Fishers, Indiana.

Tanya C. Cloud '01 has just released her debut novel, *The Circle of Sisters*. This fictional thriller tells the story of a group of powerful women possessed with a compulsion to play judge and jury. Intent on

changing a corrupt and callous system, they plot to kill a key government official. *The Circle of Sisters* is available on tanyacloud.com, amazon.com and in local bookstores. Cloud currently resides in Chicago, Illinois, where she is employed in the information technology field.

Amber (Conley '01) Hines was married to Rev. Danny K. Hines on April 8, 2002. She has two children, Caleb (5) and Levi (2). Danny and Amber were expecting their third child in July 2008. Danny is the Pastor of Ames Church of the Nazarene in Ames, Iowa, where Amber is involved in the local church. After teaching high school and middle school band for five years, Amber is currently staying at home to care for the children. She teaches private studio music lessons in the community, and she serves as the District Children's Director for the Iowa District Church of the Nazarene. She also works as a REAL Ambassador for Group Publishing, training local church leaders about curriculum.

Kevin Huston '01 is an attorney with Huston Law Firm in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Megan (Porter '01) Marcum is a Buyer for Aircorn Manufacturing in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Hallie (Haferman '01) Sorenson is an accountant for Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Egan, Minnesota.

Dorothy (Fowlkes '02) Henry is the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for the Indiana Health Care Association in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Alyssa Jones '02 is a Product Analyst for Bank of America in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dustin Schwyn '02 became a probation officer in Shelbyville, Indiana. Before that, he worked in child welfare. He is married to Amanda (Cadwallader '02). Amanda has taught students in special education for six years. Dustin and Amanda have a 6-year-old daughter, Hannah, who just began first grade.

future alumni



Mateo Isaiah Pablo Davis



Camden & Kendall Kaufman



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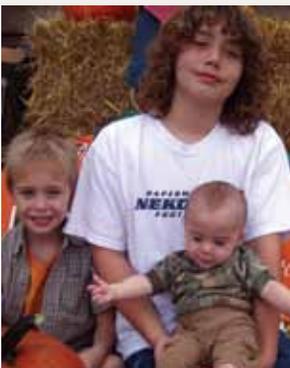
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Trevor '01 & Kristy Kaufman – Kendall Marie • 11-29-05 and Camden Joel • 9-10-07

Tony & Kate (Van Drunen '05) Rietema – Sierra Kay • 10-13-07

Joshua & Rachael (Kelly '02) Johnston – Megan Elisabeth • 1-26-08

Kevin '01 & Amber Huston – Ella Kristine • 2-3-08

Jeremy '01 & Amber (Heltibridle '01) Johnson – Rachel Dawn • 2-15-08

Eric '03 & Nicole (Weyer '00) Wieringa – Audrey Elizabeth • 2-22-08

Travis & Lana (Smith '00) Koontz – Piper Diann • 3-4-08

Owen '95 & Kimberly Shattuck – Sarah Joy • 4-17-08

Steven & Stacy (Shopp '98) – Dorothy Ann • 4-17-08

Shawn '92 & Stephanie (Howell '93) Woods – Jesse Daniel • 4-27-08 and Dane Michael • 6-16-02

Doyle '07 and Angela (Faulkner '05) Wood – Addyson Anne • 5-19-08

Andrew '03 & Leah (Sprouls '04) Sayer – Adeline Grace • 5-27-08

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Chris '07 & Joyce Van Den Berg – Rachel Joy • 7-18-08

Bill & Diana (Kickery '98) Ashley – Isaac Owen • 8-1-08

Mark & Denise (Adcock '91) Obtinario – Kathleen Denise • 8-7-08

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Brandi (Bobay '03) Bookmiller is an English teacher at South Hills High School in Fort Worth, Texas.

Sarah A. Bucy '03 is the new Group Home Manager for Park Place Children's Home in Jeffersonville, Indiana. This new project will offer long-term placement for 10 children, 6 to 18 years old, with Autistic Spectrum Disorders and other developmental disorders.

Adam Schultz '03 is the photography teacher at Chesterton High School in Chesterton, Indiana.



Rick Beck

Frederic "Rick" Beck '04 recently joined Easi-Set Industries as *SLENDERWALL*® Sales Manager. Beck will be responsible for introducing architects, engineers and the construction

industry to *SLENDERWALL*, a precast architectural cladding system. Beck, who earned his MBA from IWU, has worked in sales marketing and business development in the construction industry for more than 15 years.

Aaron Pratt '04 has started a new business. Pratt Web Design is a Marion, Indiana-based company specializing in website design, hosting, e-mail marketing and consulting for clients across the United States. The company's chief designer, Pratt, has more than five years of experience in developing successful websites. Pratt has designed websites for local and national political candidates, celebrities such as Kevin Nealon, financial institutions, and non-profits across the nation. Recently, Pratt Web Design developed new logos for the Marion/Grant County Convention and Visitors Bureau for their BuyCoolTix initiative. Pratt Web Design can be reached by e-mail at hello@prattwebdesign.com. Recent work samples can be viewed online at www.prattwebdesign.com.

Todd Chin '05 is an Account Executive of Insurance at STAR Financial in Marion, Indiana.

Kelley (Keane '05) Drumm started working as marketing director for Szarka Financial Management in North Olmsted, Ohio, in October 2007.

Scott Jones '05 is a Web Developer/Architect for Ingersoll Rand in Carmel, Indiana.

Stephanie (Immordino '05) Krell married Michael Krell in June. Stephanie teaches in a music studio out of their home in North Brunswick, New Jersey, and in Millstone, New Jersey. Michael is an engineer at U.S. Gypsum in Port Reading, New Jersey.

Janie Logsdon '05 will marry Eric Hebert-St. Pierre in August of this year. Janie graduated with a degree in Christian Education and is now employed with The Cromwell Group in Mattoon, Illinois. Eric graduated from Trinity Christian College with a degree in Christian education and is now employed with Wynn's Automotive. The couple plans to settle in Central Illinois.

Lisa Perry '05, a B.S. in Management graduate of Indiana Wesleyan, has taken the school philosophy of servant leadership to heart. Now a doctoral candidate at Arkansas State University, she is volunteering as Executive Director of Wheelwright Historical Society in Wheelwright, Kentucky. In this role, she has led efforts to open a volunteer-run library and is currently engaged in work to develop an educational center and museum. In addition to these tasks, she is working to help restore and preserve historic landmarks in the hopes of creating employment and educational opportunities for residents of this Appalachian community. Located in a remote area of Floyd County, Wheelwright residents have few opportunities for local employment and, as a result, have a per capita income of only \$5,000. Over 90 percent of residents receive some sort of government subsidy to make ends meet. Lisa is working to make this community sustainable for the future. If you want to help, you can contact her via the organization website, www.wheelwrighthistory.com

Kate (Van Drunen '05) Rietema is employed full time as a registered nurse at Zeeland Community Hospital in Zeeland, Michigan, working labor and delivery, postpartum and nursery.



Adam Rollefson

Adam Rollefson '05 graduated with high honors from Biola University's Talbot School of Theology in Los Angeles last May, with his M.A. in Christian Education degree and a

specialization in youth ministries. Rollefson served with the high school ministry at Saddleback Church in Orange County, California, this past year and is currently serving as a high school ministry leader at Elmbrook Church in Brookfield, Wisconsin.

Cammi S. Singer '05 is Admissions Representative for Indiana Business College in Marion, Indiana.

Ryan '06 & Lizz (Meier '06) Durbin write to say they have moved from Cleveland, Ohio, to Senegal, West Africa: "We are following the call that the Lord has put on our lives to serve Him overseas. We will be doing a two-year apprenticeship in the city of Dakar in community development. For the first year, we will be learning French and other mission/business skills. We will also be traveling to other cities and villages in Senegal to see what the Lord is doing through other community development projects. Our prayer is that during our second year we will be able to launch a community development project of some sort. We are excited to be serving with the Christian & Missionary Alliance, specifically through CAMA Services (Compassion & Mercy Associates). We would love to share our journey with you! You can read more about our adventure at ryanandlizzdurbin.blogspot.com."

Ashley N. Humphries '06 is currently a third-year law student at Indiana University School of Law in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Nicole Lindsey '06 is Special Needs Coordinator for Live Oaks Career Development Campus in Milford, Ohio.

Jonathan Parsons '06 completed a master's degree in philosophy of religion from Trinity International University in May and was recently hired at College of DuPage in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, as an adjunct professor of philosophy.

Conrad Schrock '06 is a bailiff/law clerk for the Marion County Superior Court 4 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

David M. Welch ('06) has been admitted as a graduate student at Tel Aviv University in Tel Aviv, Israel, and will be pursuing a master's degree in Middle Eastern History.

Angela Wells '06 recently moved to Marion and became the Annual Fund Telemarketing Manager at IWU.

Denise (Berg '07) Eldred recently joined the firm of Bradford Consulting

Group, LLC, in Charleston, South Carolina, as a Senior Consultant. Eldred will be responsible for software training and database management for organizations currently utilizing Raiser's Edge fundraising software. Eldred, a 12-year non-profit veteran, has served many national organizations as a Director of Development and recently made the switch from higher education fundraising to consulting.



Mike Parejko

Previously vice president of operations, **Mike Parejko '07** was promoted to executive vice president and chief operating officer of Indiana Blood Center. Parejko earned his Master of Science in Management degree from Indiana Wesleyan University.

J. Marc Hopkins, MBA '07 has been named the Vice President of Information Technology at CFM Religion Publishing, LLC. CFM is the parent company of Cincinnati-based Standard Publishing, and Dallas, Texas-based RCL/Benziger. Together, the companies provide traditional and new media tools to churches and Christian schools nationally and internationally.

Chris '07 & Joyce Van Den Berg celebrated the birth of their daughter, Rachel Joy, on July 18, 2008. Brothers Elijah and Isaiah both love and adore their new baby sister. Chris also began work as an assistant pastor in Scottsdale, Arizona.

Shaun Waymire '07 moved to the Washington, D.C., area to work for CNP Action, Inc., a 501(c)(4) sister organization to the Council for National Policy.

Barbara Bowen '08 is working at Newton Parrish Elementary School in Owensboro, Kentucky.



Andrew & Megan Marcum



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Isaac & Derika Parris



Michael & Stephanie Krell



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Kevin Huston '01 to Amber Glanville • 1-20-2007

Andrew Marcum to Megan Porter '01 • 6-30-2007

Matt Simpson to Melissa Blackburn '03 • 3-1-2008

Shaun Marshall '01 to Veronica Ward • 7-11-2008

John Drumm to Kelley Keane '05 • 5-24-2008

Isaac Parris to Derika Smith '08 • 5-31-08

Michael Krell to Stephanie Immordino '05 • 6-28-2008

Christopher Blackburn '06 to Charity Browning • 7-5-2008

Elizabeth Brillhart '08 is Business Operations Analyst for Deloitte in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Steve J. Carroll '08 is a Management Trainee for Cintas in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Alisa J. Felke '08 is working as a registered nurse at Mercy Medical Center Redding in Redding, California.

Chester Hayes Jr. '08 is Quality Team Leader at Rolls-Royce North America in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Kyle R. Jane '08 is a chemistry teacher at Southern York School District in Glen Rock, Pennsylvania.

Nicole Rodos '08 is a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit RN at Vanderbilt Children's

Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee.

Chelsey Ponce '08 is working as an associate producer for WHIO-TV, the CBS affiliate in Dayton, Ohio.

Beth (Kincaid '08) Shilt is a Specialty Pharmacy Utilization Review Nurse for CareSource Management Group in Dayton, Ohio.

living memorials

Living Memorials provide an opportunity for people to make a donation to Indiana Wesleyan University in memory of or in honor of special people in their lives. The following Living Memorials have been received in recent months:

Donations have been given

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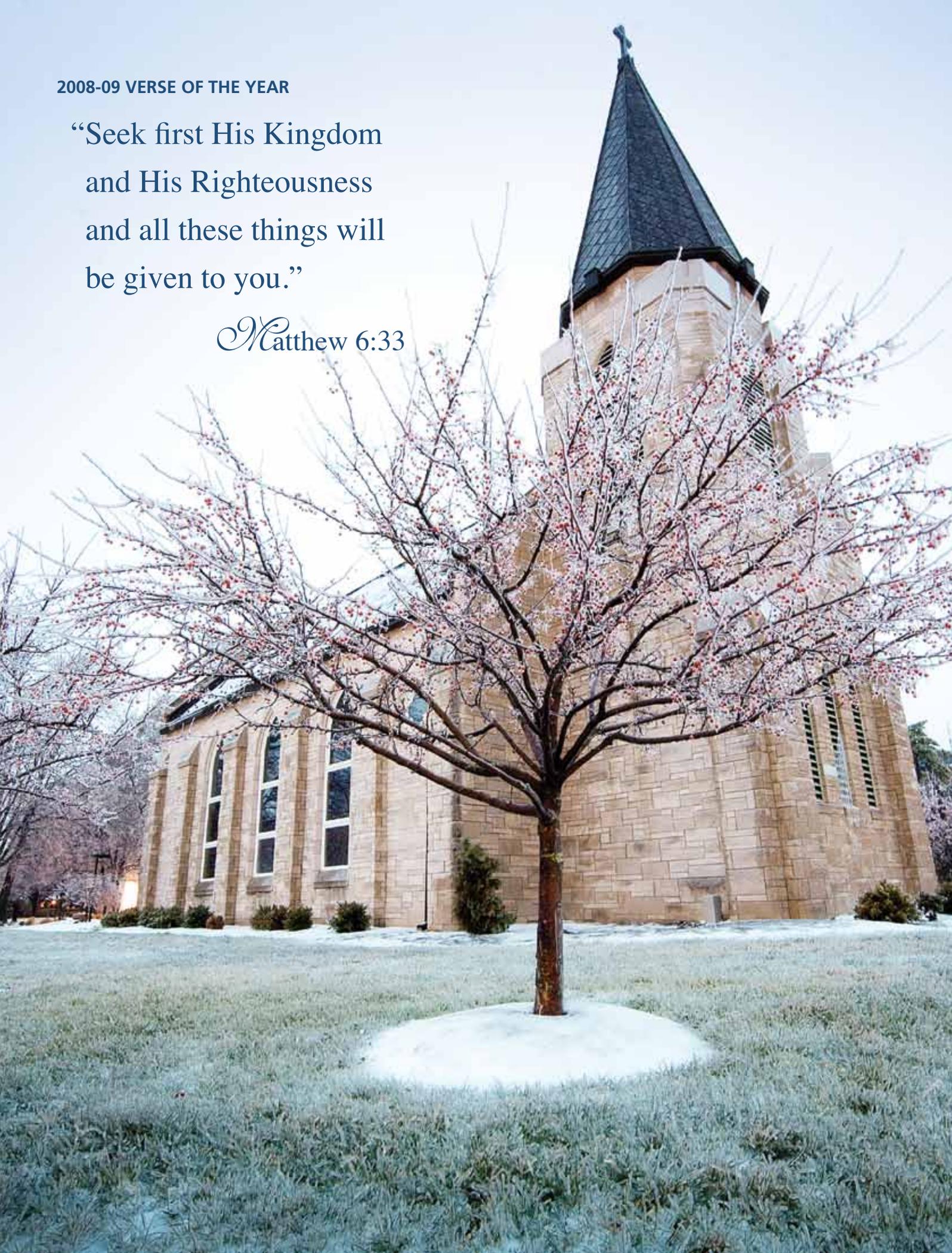
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