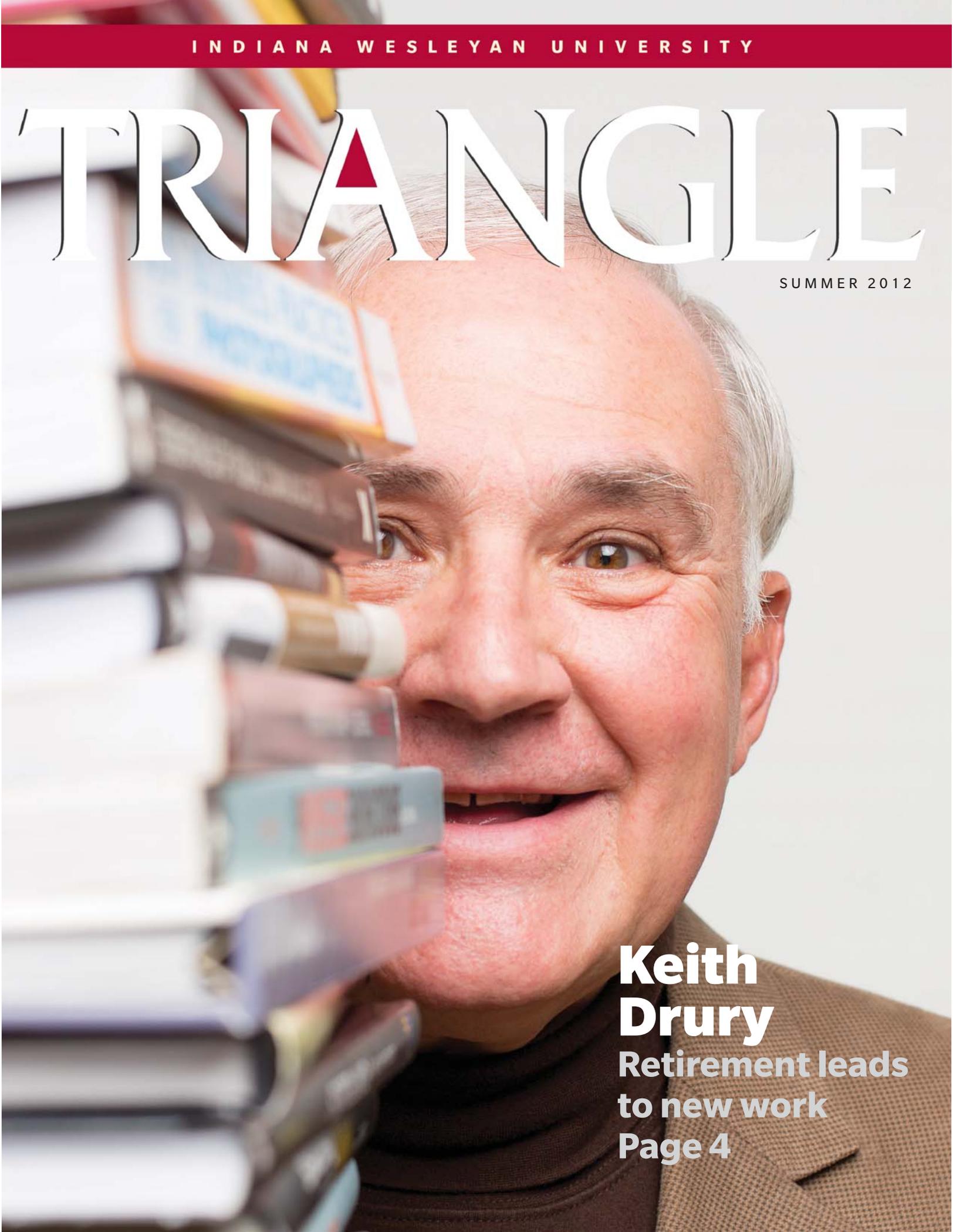


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to new work
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DR. HENRY SMITH

Transformational Living

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12:2 (NAS)

The IWU 2012-2013 Verse of the Year is Romans 12:2. Its selection was based on many reasons, not the least of which is our privilege to participate in Christian higher education and the daily evidence we see of God's transformational work within our community.

Retiring IWU Professor Keith Drury is featured on the *Triangle* cover. We celebrate with him his years of faithful service and the opportunities he looks forward to embracing in this next chapter of his life. His ministry continues to be transformational.

A copy of Keith's latest book, *The Story of The Wesleyan Church*, co-authored with Southern Wesleyan University Professor Robert Black, waits in my office to be given to my father, Rev. Lewis Smith. My father turns 87 this summer and is still active in ministry and an eager learner. He has all of Keith's books in his ever-increasing library and will be especially interested in this book. He and my mother were ordained pastors in The Wesleyan Church. Their sacrificial service has contributed to the countless lives transformed through our denomination.

The Wesleyan Church is also being transformed. In June, Dr. Jo Anne Lyon was elected the sole general superintendent during General Conference. Combining her vast experience and energizing passion, Jo Anne will lead the denomination in its reshaping for even more effective and expansive ministry. Indiana Wesleyan University and Wesley Seminary are honored to provide ongoing support for future denominational leaders.

Information about Homecoming '12 is included in this issue. You will note its theme of transformation. We believe the theme fits as we plan to gather again in October to celebrate God's work in and through us.

Teresa and I sincerely hope you can join us this fall. Homecoming has been a priority since my 2006 inauguration. It is an annual highlight when we collectively celebrate a community committed to and benefiting from transformational living.

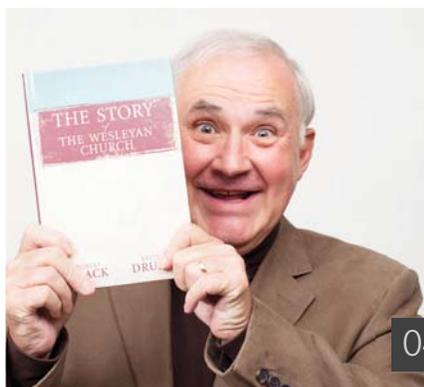
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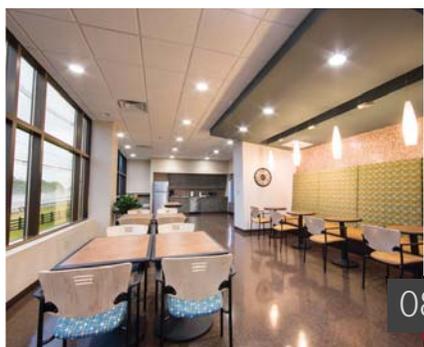
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Half-time Jobs become Retirement Priority

Keith Drury has retired from one of his two lives, so he can concentrate on the other one.

"I have led two lives," said Drury. "My full-time job has been in either The Wesleyan Church or teaching at Indiana Wesleyan University. The half-time job has consisted of all my avocations such as backpacking, bicycling, gardening and writing."

"I'm just going to do the half-time job now. And a big part of that job will be mentoring people. I have such a large number of students all over the world who keep in touch with me, so it's going to take a lot of time to keep in touch with them," he said.

Drury officially retired June 30 after teaching 18 years in what is now the School of Theology and Ministry. During his tenure, Drury founded the worship major and helped to design the youth major at IWU.

Drury initially set out to be a preacher, not a professor. He first served as pastor of a rural church in his native Pennsylvania before moving to a suburban church on the Jersey Shore, so he could attend Princeton Theological Seminary.

"I may have been the second pastor in The Wesleyan Church to earn a seminary degree at Princeton," Drury said. "Dr. Earle Wilson, the General Superintendent-emeritus of the denomination, was the first."

For all intents and purposes, Drury's career as a parish pastor ended when he received his seminary degree from Princeton in 1971.

"After seminary, my wife, Sharon, and I spent a year living in a VW Beetle and traveling around the country," Drury said. "I was offered and accepted a job at Wesleyan Headquarters in 1972 and spent the next 40 years at either church headquarters or at IWU."



Sharon and Keith Drury





John, Sharon, Keith and Dave Drury

He spent six years in the youth department of The Wesleyan Church and two years as executive editor of Sunday school curriculum for the denomination. In 1980, Drury was elected to the first of two four-year terms as General Secretary of Youth.

“In 1988, after eight years as head of the Youth Department, I came to IWU to teach, thinking I would be here the rest of my life,” he said. “At the time, I said I only would leave IWU for one job: to be in charge of Christian education for the whole denomination.”

Two years later, Drury was elected and served for six years as General Secretary of Church Education. He returned to IWU to stay in 1996. In recent years, he taught classes in discipleship and Christian education – or whatever new practical course came along.

When Drury left Wesleyan headquarters, he also ended what had been more than two decades as an in-demand public speaker. “I thought it was time for others to do the public speaking,” he said. “I wanted to devote more time to writing, which seemed like a more lasting way to spend my time than going out and speaking on a weekend.”

Drury has written about a dozen books, including *Holiness for Ordinary People*, which recently celebrated its 25th anniversary. “It’s the biggest-selling book ever published by Wesley Press, but I have no idea how many copies have been sold.”

Most recently, Drury teamed with a lifetime friend, Dr. Robert Black, to write *The Story of the Wesleyan Church*, a narrative history of the denomination that was commissioned by the General Board of Superintendents.

Drury grew up in Eastern Pennsylvania near the Appalachian Trail and became hooked on backpacking at a young age. He is in an elite group of people who have hiked both the 2,050-mile Appalachian Trail and the 2,600-mile Pacific Crest Trail that stretches from Mexico to Canada along America’s West Coast.

Drury began walking the Appalachian Trail when he was 13, hiked half of it with his wife, Sharon, at age 25 and finished the walk at age 53 – 40 years after he started.

Sharon was working as a secretary at Marion College when the adult education program began in 1985. She enrolled in the first-ever cohort and graduated two years later with a bachelor’s degree. Sharon later earned master’s and doctoral degrees, and now teaches full-time in IWU’s Doctor of Organizational Leadership program.

Deep Roots Prompt Wesleyan History

The Story of The Wesleyan Church, a narrative history written by Drs. Robert Black and Keith Drury, was officially released in June at the General Conference of The Wesleyan Church in Lexington, Kentucky.

Somewhat ironically, the history ends with a brief explanation of the primary item on the agenda of the General Conference: an organizational restructuring of the denomination. It will be left to future historians to record the outcome of the vote and the impact that the reorganization will have on The Wesleyan Church.

The 320-page history was commissioned by the Board of General Superintendents and was published by Wesleyan Publishing House.

Black and Drury were chosen to write the book because of their deep roots in The Wesleyan Church – and in the two denominations that merged in 1968 to form the Wesleyan Church.

Black, who is a professor and former chair of the Religion Department at Southern Wesleyan University, was raised in the Wesleyan Methodist Church. Drury, who just retired as a professor in the School of Theology and Ministry at Indiana Wesleyan University, was brought up in the Pilgrim Holiness Church.

Both authors previously worked in the headquarters of The Wesleyan Church. And, perhaps most important, Black and Drury are longtime friends. It took them about two years to write *The Story of The Wesleyan Church*.

“We each wrote specific parts of the history, and then we rewrote each others’ parts, so you never know whose voice you are hearing,” Drury said. “The history is told in story form. The book is well illustrated, and we intentionally wrote detailed captions so that the cursory reader could get a good overview of church history just by reading the captions.

“It is a good book to put in the hands of new church members, because it basically says, ‘This is who we are.’ It also will serve as the official textbook of Wesleyan history for students at Wesleyan colleges,” he said.

Black and Drury also have created a website, www.wesleyanhistory.org, that they say will serve as an electronic archive of The Wesleyan Church.

The Story of The Wesleyan Church is available online at Wesleyan Publishing House, www.wesleyan.org/wph. The cost is \$12.99.

Their two sons, David and John, are IWU graduates and have seminary degrees. And over the last five years, the careers of both have led them back to Marion where they spent part of their growing-up years.

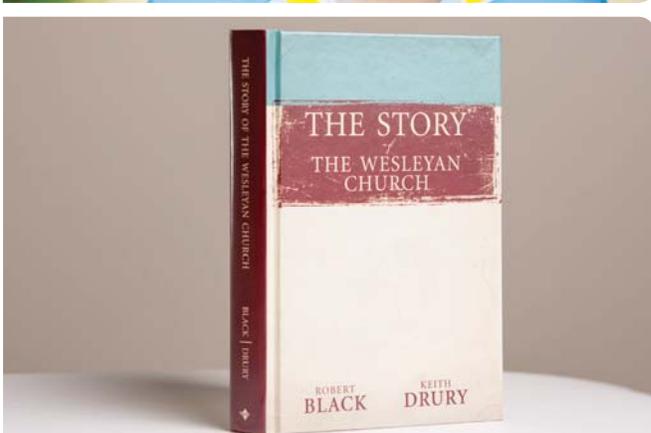
David has been the executive pastor of College Wesleyan Church and, in mid-June, was named Chief of Staff for Dr. Jo Anne Lyon, the General Superintendent of The Wesleyan Church. John just completed his second year as a professor at Wesley Seminary at IWU.

Drury said having his entire family together in Marion has been a blessing.

“When your children go into ministry, you always think you never will live in the same town that they do,” he said. “Besides having them near Sharon and me, we are proud that they have followed in my footsteps: one in higher education and the other now at Wesleyan headquarters.”

You can read more of Keith Drury’s thoughts on retirement at www.drurywriting.com/keith/retirement.journaling.htm.

Keith Drury





RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY OFFICIALLY OPENS NEW LEXINGTON FACILITY





Left: Dr. Mary Ann Searle; Top right: Dr. Henry Smith, Carson Castleman, and Laura Hirsbrunner; Bottom right: Paul Garverick and Nathan Lamb

Indiana Wesleyan University and the community of Lexington, Kentucky, came together this summer to dedicate the new Lexington Education and Conference Center.

“We have a great affinity and a great appreciation for Kentucky,” said President Henry Smith at the June 1 event. “We believe that this particular facility is a symbolic gesture that we are here to stay ... Wherever we have a piece of Indiana Wesleyan University established, it is part of us.”

Barrie Wilson, office manager for the Lexington location, said that the new facility, located in the high-traffic Hamburg sector of Lexington, has already improved IWU’s visibility.

“We’re right here off I-75, and it was amazing, just within the first few weeks here, how many folks said, ‘Oh, I’ve seen your sign and I never knew you were here,’” Wilson said.

The comfortable, well-appointed space, with its wide hallways and large windows, has also received praise from area businesses that use it as a conference facility.

“We’re quite spoiled here. The wide hallways, our catering, the service—I have yet to get a negative feedback,” Wilson said. “I think it’s probably the best-kept secret in Lexington, as far as conferencing is concerned.”

In May, the facility’s new look won an award. Herschman Architects received a “Traveling Gun Interior Design of the Year” prize from the Northern Ohio Chapter of the National

Association of Industrial and Office Properties for their work on the 14,400-square-foot facility.

For students, Wilson said, the new education center has become more than just a place to stop for class--there’s also well-appointed, welcoming space for eating and studying.

“Our student lounge has been referred to as almost a Panera Bread-like cafe setting,” Wilson said. “What’s great is that the students come in earlier from the office and they might have another student with them and they’ll have dinner back here in the lounge before class begins.”

The Lexington location offers six technologically advanced classrooms, a chapel with a stained glass window that is visible from the lobby, group study rooms, a comfortable student lounge/break area, a computer lab/library area and an executive conference room.

Involved in the dedication ribbon-cutting ceremony were: Kevin Adkins, chief development officer for the City of Lexington; Robert L. Quick, president and CEO of Commerce Lexington; Kelly Bates, senior account executive at Commerce Lexington; Jimmy Ball and Steve Wright of Sir Barton Investments; Henry Smith, president; David Wright, provost; Keith Newman, executive vice president, and Bridget Aitchison, vice president of the College of Adult and Professional Studies.





REFLECTING CHRIST IN KENTUCKY

John Horsley comes to class each week at IWU's education center in Lexington, Kentucky knowing that he might be the only deaf person his teachers and classmates have ever met.

"I'm trying to be a good reflection," he said. "If I was hateful, despising, [the] next person you met that was deaf, you'd think to yourself, 'Wow. Are they all like this?'"

Being an ambassador for a whole community of people is never an easy or enviable position, but Horsley, who has fought negative stereotypes of deafness all his life, has embraced the role. He appreciates the chance to open a window into the life and culture of the deaf community for those who may never have experienced it.



John Horsley

Horsley was born with Ménière's disease, a hereditary condition that has gradually taken his hearing over the years. Today, he is profoundly deaf in one ear and severely deaf in another. He uses a hearing aid, but it does not help much—he describes it as trying to hear someone talking to him while sitting underwater at the bottom of a swimming pool.

He tried college multiple times over the years, but always found it frustrating and discouraging. Reading lips can be fatiguing for Horsley, especially in public when a lot of people are talking at once—and when teachers with low voices turned their backs to Horsley, they did not seem to realize that they had suddenly exiled him from the conversation.

After getting his associate's degree from IWU, he tried to start classes for his bachelor's degree in business management, but soon walked out of class in frustration, not feeling up to starting the same struggle all over again.

"I was always scared of failing," he said, "And that basically was not having enough faith in God."

A professor took him aside and told him how the school could help. Now, with a system called Communication Access Real-Time Translation (CART), Horsley can participate more fully in the classroom.

Horsley, a project manager for Lexmark International, had used the system at work but had not known that he had the right to request it free of charge at IWU through its Disability Services Office.

"Let me tell you, my grade point average has gotten a lot better, because I don't find myself lost and getting frustrated," Horsley said. "Speak to my wife, she'll tell you. I don't struggle, I don't get home and say, 'I don't know what he said, I don't want to look stupid.'"

When Horsley goes to class, he sets up an audio connection with Lisa Schwarze, a CART facilitator. Schwarze, an experienced transcriptionist who

also works as a court reporter for federal judges, takes down what is said in the classroom and sends Horsley the notes in real-time. After class, she sends him the full transcript in case he missed anything.

"What she does is basically allow me to have equal access to the classroom," Horsley said.

Schwarze, who also runs a company that does captions for athletic events in the Lexington area, said that she tries to get other court reporters involved in the CART program.

"You have a reward that you don't get doing anything else in life," Schwarze said. "I have ears that work, and I take it for granted. And to think that somebody else doesn't have something that I take for granted, and I can give it to them, that makes me feel good."

Growing up with Ménière's disease, Horsley said, he often had to fight the negative stereotypes that society confers on deaf and hard of hearing people.

“There’s this perception that deaf people are still in the deaf-and-dumb era. And it’s an old adage, ‘deaf and dumb,’” Horsley said. “I have to try, personally, and a lot of deaf people I know have to try extra hard, and that’s just the way it is, because we’re always perceived as ‘deaf and dumb’...so every day’s a struggle.”

Horsley, whose aunt and grandmother were also deaf, is the first member of his family to go to college.

“My aunt, she was deaf, and she didn’t have this kind of access when she was growing up,” Horsley said. “She was almost like a hermit, to an extent. And it was sad, because she was just so afraid of getting out there and mingling. I think that’s a motivation for me right there, is just to get out and let people see me.”

The best way to deal with his own struggles, he learned, was to keep in touch with God and immerse himself in serving others. He’s been part of volunteer work for most of his life. Working at a place like a homeless shelter, he said, reminds him that many people in the world have it much harder than he does.

In addition to things like river cleanups and multiple sclerosis bike rides, Horsley is also a commissioner for the Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Horsley’s deafness allows him to be a part of a unique community in deaf culture, and he spends a lot of time serving that culture—and, he hopes, being a reflection of Christ to people in the deaf community.

Horsley feels strongly that he could not have had such a positive classroom experience anywhere but IWU, thanks to the prayer and support he receives from the people at the Lexington Education Center.

“Sometimes I do still have doubts, but that’s when I go back to my fellow students and the faculty,” Horsley said. “When you

have a positive person in front of you that can motivate, it gives you the will to succeed...A teacher will take you to the side, because classes are small, and take time to get to know you on a personal level.

“It’s hard here sometimes with the courses and the requirements and stuff like that, but...it would just be so much different if I didn’t have the Christian grounding. It’s a well-grounded school.”

“It has been a real blessing to have John enroll in the Bachelor of Science in management program at IWU-Lexington,” said Dr. Mary Ann Searle, regional dean for Kentucky and Southern Indiana. “He is a positive role model for our faculty and students who shows all of us how to accomplish our professional and personal goals.”

“He puts his faith in God, develops good relationships with his cohort, utilizes the resources available to them, and works hard,” Searles said. “John doesn’t let obstacles get in his way, and we should not let them get in our way either!”

Now Horsley wants to open the way for more deaf and hard of hearing students to have the same positive classroom experience. He wants all IWU students and potential students who might benefit from the CART technology to be aware that they have the opportunity—which will give him a chance to be an ambassador for IWU within the deaf community.

“I just want to be a good reflection, not only of Christ, but [of] the University, when I meet people,” Horsley said. “The more I continue with school, the more confidence and assurance I have.”



Lisa Schwarze and John Horsley

FIRE IN HIS EYES

Remembering Jaman Iseminger,
slain pastor and IWU alumnus

**SOME DAYS IN THE LIFE OF A PASTOR
CAN FEEL LIKE A FLOOD IS THREATENING
TO ENGULF YOUR CHURCH AND ALL
YOU'VE GOT IS A BUCKET TO KEEP THE
WATER OUT. AND SOME DAYS THAT'S
LITERALLY WHAT'S HAPPENING.**

Pastor Jaman Iseminger tried to make sense of this on a Tuesday in 2009 as he and his bucket struggled to stay on top of a water leak in the basement of Bethel Community Church in Southport, Indiana. Like the graduate ministry student he'd just recently been, he sought for some sort of spiritual significance in the continual, repetitive filling and draining as he worked to keep his carpet dry. Three days before, Bethel had distributed classroom supplies to 373 area children. The significance of that was easy to grasp. That had made sense. That had been exciting: "I wanted to shout from the rooftops because for one day the needs of the people were met and we had connected people with Christ," he wrote on his blog.

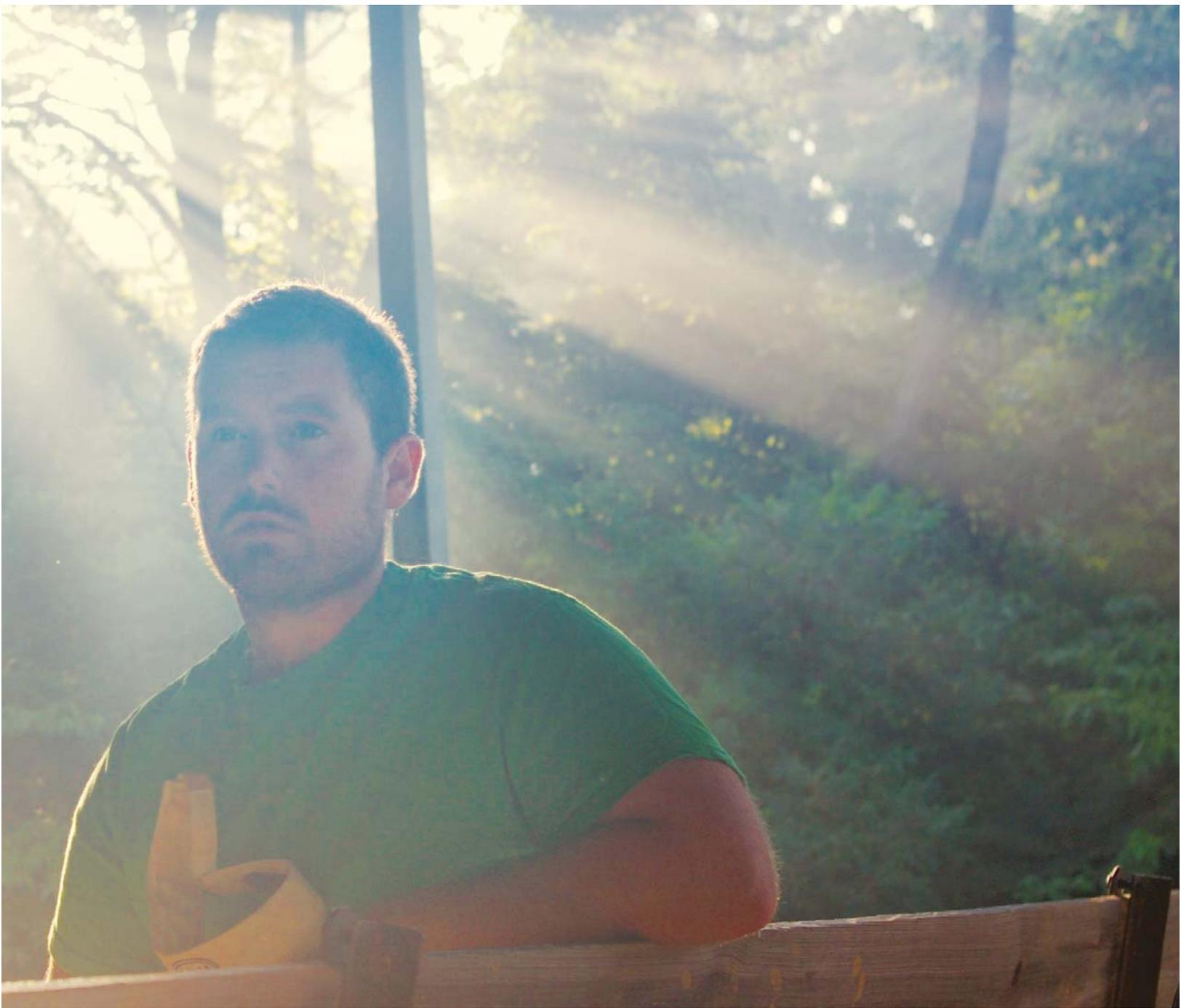
But easy and exciting weren't the watchwords of Iseminger's ministry. "God deserves our love and respect regardless of the circumstance," he wrote. "Whether we are underwater or on top of it, we must do this. And why must we do this? Because

if we fail to do this, then we fail to come anywhere close to emulating Christ."

When Jaman Iseminger was shot and killed Saturday morning, May 19, 2012, at Bethel Community Church, he was getting ready for one of the things that made sense about being a pastor: opening church doors for the Indiana Historical Society who was coordinating the clean up of the cemetery next door. What actually happened that morning made far less sense for the people who knew and loved and served with Iseminger.

Southport Chief of Police Randy Ellison said that a woman entered the church at around 6:56 a.m. and asked to speak to the pastor. A short time afterward, Ellison said, gunfire was heard, the woman ran out of the church, and Iseminger staggered out and fell onto the grass. He died later at the hospital. Iseminger left behind his wife, Amanda, and a two-





year-old daughter.

Investigators said that 46-year-old Lori Ann Barcroft confessed to the crime and has been charged with murder. So far her motive remains unfathomable.

"The community is responding in a tone of bewilderment," Ellison said. "Why did it happen? That's the million-dollar question that nobody can answer."

Iseminger was a 2009 graduate of the Master of Arts in Ministry program. Professors who worked with him remember Iseminger as an excellent student who could have found a ministerial position anywhere he wanted. Where he went, said Associate Professor Dr. Bob Whitesel, was his home church in his hometown of Southport, in a low-income area where times had gotten harder in the years since Iseminger had grown up in the modest Indianapolis suburb.

"He's what I write a lot about: an organic type of leader," Whitesel said. "They don't take the best and most prestigious job. They take the job they think they can make the most impact."

"I think he probably enjoyed just about every class that we had, and would seek to take out anything he could to use to help his church grow, to help people come to the Lord," recalled George Doshier, who studied in the same graduate cohort with Iseminger.

In an era when many Christian leaders have their eyes on a megachurch pulpit, Iseminger's ministry had him draining water to bail out the basement. That's where he felt God had called him.

"I have long learned that I don't think I am geared like these church leaders," Iseminger wrote in 2009. "Based on Jesus' time



on earth, he would have been a flop compared to today's standards...And yet, so many have been transformed by the words of Jesus and what he did."

A graduate of Southport High School, Iseminger got his undergraduate degree from Oral Roberts University in 2005 and started working at Bethel Community Church the very same year. The most important thing in Iseminger's ministry, Whitesel said, was to introduce people to Jesus—but he also knew that serving people's physical, social and economic needs can often build a foundation through which a church can touch a community's spiritual needs. It's a messy form of ministry, Whitesel said, with a lot of inherent risks; but it attracted Iseminger, whose church's motto is "willing to love, living to serve."

"It bothers me how many people I see never take risks because being comfortable is primary," Iseminger wrote in 2011. "If I rested in what was comfortable all the time, then I wouldn't be here in the first place."

Continuing employment that began the summer of his freshman year of college, setting up tents for an Indianapolis-based events company, Iseminger relished the chance to be out among people, forging relationships with co-workers and serving as an example for Christ: "I am tired, my hands are cut and bruised, and my sinuses are killing me, but oh I am so grateful," he wrote in 2009, "[to] wake up in the morning and have a purpose."

In the last weeks of his life, Iseminger went to South Africa with Loving Accurately Ministries. One goal of the Indianapolis group, through their project Loving South Africa, is to link Indiana churches with people suffering from the AIDS pandemic. Jay Kirkpatrick, who directs Loving South Africa, takes influential pastors from this part of the world to that part of the world so they can offer their congregations an eyewitness account of one of the biggest disease catastrophes in the world's history. Kirkpatrick wants participants to see the tragedy—the orphaned children, the mass graves—but also the hope: survivors snatched away from the pandemic by the work of Loving South Africa's ministry partners.

Iseminger had already been there once last year. Kirkpatrick said that Iseminger wanted to go back to show the people



of South Africa that the church of Indianapolis was there for them and working hard to support them. Bethel Community Church, Kirkpatrick said, is one of the most outwardly focused churches he's seen in Indianapolis; Iseminger had worked hard in his seven years as pastor to turn his congregations toward the needs of Southport and the world.

But when Iseminger returned home this second time, Kirkpatrick said, there was a "fire in his eyes" that no one had seen before. Kirkpatrick believes that fire hasn't died. He's since learned that Iseminger's last sermon was going to use the example of Christ to show that death and tragedy can spark revolution.

"He was going to talk about a pastor in South Africa who had died—been shot, actually—and how it had ignited that pastor's church in ways that his life never had," Kirkpatrick said. "I think [Jaman's] legacy will be as a firestarter."

Whitesel believes the same thing. In times of prayer during the first couple of days after the tragedy, he says he asked God to help him make sense of it: "I was praying: 'why did this happen to such a young man with so great a potential?' He got it. He understood it. He grasped the mission of God and he grasped how to do it. And the Lord told me that there were going to be other missional-minded young people who will step up and will take his place."

Iseminger actually told Kirkpatrick once about a vision he'd had, which he said God had given him regarding his own role as a firestarter: "God gave him this picture of pine needles and how they had to dry out and totally die before they could be used as kindling."

The people who remember Jaman Iseminger remember a pastor, a family man, a community leader, a good-natured friend with a "wacky" sense of humor. And they remember one other thing: a man with a deep, unshakeable sense that he was the pastor of Bethel Community Church because God had chosen to put him there.

And for Iseminger, not even the most devastating flood could put out God's fire.

"I am here for one reason and one reason alone," he wrote in 2009. "I feel called, equipped, and cannot picture myself doing anything else at this juncture in my life."



SEMINARY ALREADY HALFWAY AROUND THE GLOBE

COHORT IN PACIFIC ARENA HOLDS FIRST CLASS

When Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University was established in 2009, one of its visions was to serve The Wesleyan Church worldwide. Three years later, the Seminary's reach already extends halfway around the globe.

In May, Dr. Lenny Luchetti, professor of proclamation and Christian ministry, traveled to Auckland, New Zealand, to teach the first class for a Master of Divinity cohort that has been formed in the Pacific Arena.

"There are six people in the cohort, but the members are very representative of the recently formed Pacific Regional Conference of The Wesleyan Church," said Dr. Wayne Schmidt, Seminary vice president.

"The class has one student each from Australia, Tonga and Fiji, and two from New Zealand," Schmidt said. One North American student, who is in the region on a short-term mission, also is in the class.

Dr. Richard Waugh, Pacific Conference superintendent, initiated the conversation about the Pacific cohort.

"Great leaders attract great leaders, and that clearly has happened in the Pacific Arena," Luchetti said. "Richard Waugh's Christ-centered, Wesleyan-informed and strategic leadership has attracted some high caliber leaders to the Wesleyan Movement.

"Passion, energy, vision and quality run deep in just about every leader I met in Auckland. There is no doubt in my mind that we are only just beginning to see what God has in store in and through the Wesleyan Methodist Church of New Zealand," he said.

The Seminary cohort is one facet of a broader Pacific outreach by The Wesleyan Church, specifically in New Zealand which includes a church plant in Christchurch on the South Island.

"There are about two dozen Wesleyan Churches on the North Island, but there are none on the South Island," Schmidt said. "Our denomination is not only planting a church; it is more like planting a district of churches. New Zealand is one of the most secular places on the face of the globe.

"There are many challenges with international theological education, one of which is when you bring people to North America for a residency," Schmidt said. "It is expensive, and the students are disconnected from their country of origin. About half the time, they return to their native country. The other half stays in the United States. So the vision of Wesley Seminary is, you don't come to us, we come to you."

Schmidt said onsite, intensive classes for the cohort will continue to meet in the Pacific Arena. The students then will join North American cohorts for online classes.

"The blend of onsite and online classes will be very much like the Master of Divinity program that is based on the Marion campus," Schmidt said.

While in Tonga, IWU administrators met Dr. Maafu Palu, who teaches at a Bible college operated by the Free Wesleyan Church, which is the national church of Tonga. Palu was invited by them to speak at the Pacific Arena cohort's opening class.

"His appearance in class sort of cemented the relationship between The Wesleyan Church and the Pacific Arena," Schmidt said. "It was a historical occasion."

Luchetti said Palu's leadership role at the 250-student Bible college also could be a significant feeder into future Wesley Seminary cohorts in the Pacific Arena.

"Dr. Palu is extremely intelligent and very passionate about giving ministerial students a sound biblical hermeneutic through which to view and serve the world and the church," Luchetti said.



Back row left to right: Stuart Hall (Australia), Uilameti Akauola (from Tonga serving a Tongan church in Auckland, NZ), Malakai Waqa (from Fiji serving a Fijian church in Auckland, NZ), Lenny Luchetti, Mike Yates (New Zealand) Front row left to right: Jo McKinnell (New Zealand), Stephenie Garey (from America serving in New Zealand)

Reflections on Irreplaceable Interactions

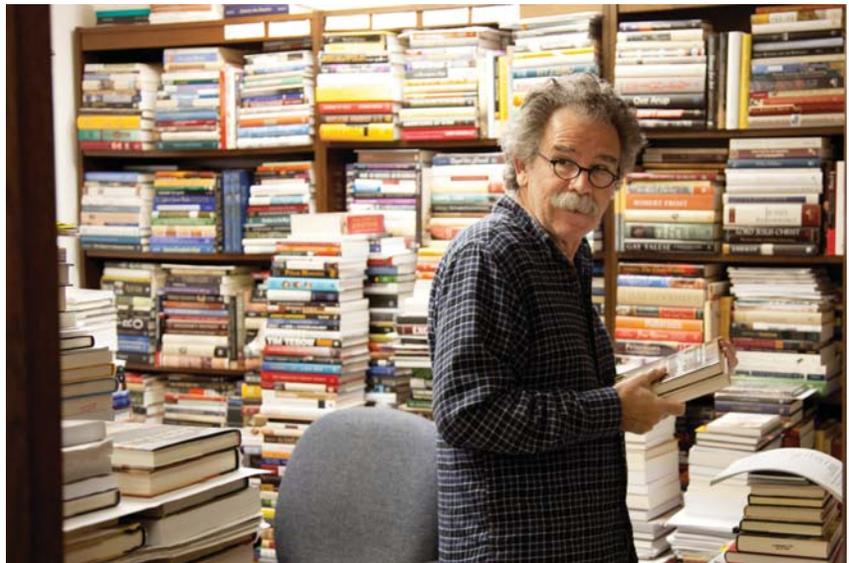
By John Wilson, editor of *Books & Culture* and editor at large for *Christianity Today* magazine

Several years ago I was talking with a group from a Christian college about visiting speakers. One younger friend, who had graduated and was working as a journalist, said that she thought of the various speakers who came to campus during her undergraduate years as an extra: nice, but not particularly significant.

My own experience was very different, especially during the period when I was at Westmont College in Santa Barbara, where I spent my junior and senior years and then taught for a year after graduating. The visiting speakers I heard there—including Elizabeth Anscombe, Alvin Plantinga, Owen Barfield, Francis Schaeffer, Os Guinness and William F. Buckley, Jr., among others—made a huge impression on me, and the discussions they started were formative. (Then there was the time I got in a vigorous argument with a visiting speaker, Rousas J. Rushdoony. But that's a story for another day.) Each speaker represented a sharply distinct way of being in the world. Together they suggested the immense range and vitality of Christian thought, not reducible to the pat generalizations of the media or the claims of any one faction in the church.

When John Wesley Honors College began to host the President's Author Series in 2008, and I had a chance to participate, I was grateful for the opportunity. Reading is a wonderful way to encounter diverse minds across space and time. But hearing and seeing thinkers as persons, and not only as the voices of disembodied texts, is irreplaceable.

Also vital is the chance to encounter these visiting speakers in community, first through reading and discussing their work together, as the Honors College students do, and then by engaging them directly when they are on campus. When my wife, Wendy,



and I come to IWU for another event in the series—the next one, featuring Jean Bethke Elshtain, is scheduled for October—we are very conscious of the privilege of entering a community of faith and learning, a place where we have been welcomed and where we feel at home. The visiting speakers have told us that they have the same feeling when they are here.

Hospitality, careful reading and patient listening do not entail uncritical reception. Like the speakers I heard at Westmont, the scholars who have come to IWU in the series so far—Philip Jenkins, Kristina LaCelle-Peterson, Christian Smith, Bettye Collier-Thomas, Miroslav Volf, Pete Ward and Darren Dochuk—have provoked probing examination as well as assent. One of the best features of the series is the time during which students have a chance to ask questions of the speaker—questions that have been carefully thought through, not off-the-cuff ramblings or mini-speeches disguised as questions.

There's a wonderful spirit to these gatherings, preceded by a dinner on campus. For me, the President's Author Series embodies the mission of a Christian university: a community committed to faith and learning, confident that there is no conflict between the two. As Mark Noll argues in *Jesus Christ and the Life of the Mind*, "if we study anything in the realms of nature or the realms of the spirit, we study what came into existence through Jesus Christ."

I hope that for many of the students at the John Wesley Honors College, these encounters with visiting speakers will be as memorable and as formative as mine were at Westmont more than 40 years ago.

President's
AUTHOR SERIES
— 2012-13 ACADEMIC YEAR

OCTOBER 30

Dr. Jean Bethke Elshtain and
John Wilson

5:30-8:30 pm

Henry West
and Globe Theatre

MARCH 27

Dr. Charles Marsh
and John Wilson

5:30-8:30 pm

Henry West
and Globe Theatre



NURSING CONFERENCE DRAWS INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION

The third biennial Innovations in Faith-Based Nursing Conference was held June 18 - 21, on the Marion campus. The event was co-sponsored by the IWU School of Nursing, Nurses Christian Fellowship (NCF) and the Eta Chi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI).

First held in 2008, the event has grown from a nursing educators' conference with an attendance of 40 to 50 individuals, to an event welcoming approximately 120 nursing educators, clinicians, students and researchers from throughout the United States and other countries including China, Grenada and Norway.

This year's conference covered topics of significance to all Christian nursing professionals, including sessions related to faith, culture, education and practice. Participants were able to explore the role of a Christian worldview in professional nursing, embrace culture as they seek to provide competent care in diverse settings, and discover innovative approaches to nursing education and practice.

"Nursing is a calling, and God is at work in and through nursing. These themes have been reflected throughout the conference," said Ruth Eby, chair of the Post-licensure (RNBSN) Program and president of the IWU Eta Chi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International. "The conference is about helping nurses to develop their spiritual foundation, grow professionally and connect with other nurses in the broader Christian community."

Several IWU faculty members were among the presenters. Professor Gale Sewell shared her research findings regarding the transcultural experiences of seven IWU baccalaureate nursing students who visited Zambia, Africa, in May 2011. Dr. Sharon Schulling spoke about one faith-based organization's response to HIV/AIDS in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Professors Joy Reed and Jill Steinke gave an overview of Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN).

The event provided encouragement and motivation to participants, challenging them personally and professionally, as they gathered for times of worship and daily devotions, discussed innovative strategies for their profession, and networked with other nursing professionals. Individuals left prepared and inspired to make a positive difference in the nursing world.

"God ministered to weary nurses, spirits were refreshed, praises were lifted up and friendships were renewed," said Dr. Barbara Ihrke, School of Nursing dean. "Several participants attended the previous two Innovations and enthusiastically greeted each other. Opening ceremonies included recognition of international guests and keynote speakers. Participants arrived anticipating exciting keynote messages and stimulating sessions related to spiritual care, practice issues and transcultural experiences. I believe their expectations were exceeded."

The next conference is scheduled for June 16-19, 2014.

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES EFFECT ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT, HEALTH SCIENCES, AND CAMPUS PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION

Effective July 1, **Mr. David Rose** assumes the role of Vice President for Adult Enrollment Services. He will give direct oversight to a new free standing administrative unit that will care for all adult enrollment services.

Rose was born and raised in Marion, Indiana. His distinguished career includes leadership positions in the field of mental health services, including student and employee assistance, and addiction care in acute care private and public facilities; and higher education serving as IWU program director for business programs and Executive Director of Operations for the Division of Adult and Professional Studies, and the Institute of Professional Development consulting with nine different universities and launching two new program sites. Prior to returning to IWU in 2011, he was President and COO of a health care publishing company and Campus President for a company operating 53 vocational colleges across the United States. Rose has completed post-graduate work in Higher Education Administration at Indiana State University.

Mrs. Kris Douglas becomes the Vice President for Enrollment for the College of Arts and Sciences focusing specifically on traditional enrollment. She will then transition from this role by January 2013 to serve as Associate Vice President for Adult Enrollment Services.

Dr. Larry Lindsay, Chief of Staff to the President, will also be serving as acting Dean of Health Sciences – a newly formed position to prepare for new graduate health sciences initiative programs.

Lindsay will assist the Office of the Provost in hiring appropriate program directors, facilitating processes for program design and accreditation, and establishing the organizational structure to house the graduate health science programs.

Mr. John Jones, Vice President for Technology and Facilities Services, has been given the added responsibility of overseeing Campus Planning and Construction. Included in his new responsibilities is property acquisition for the Marion campus.



DAVID ROSE



KRIS DOUGLAS



LARRY LINDSAY



JOHN JONES

FALL CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS HISPANIC EDUCATION



Hispanic leaders, pastors and educators will attend the third annual National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference (NHCLC) Education Summit scheduled for October 17 on the Marion campus. The Education Summit will address academic challenges faced by Latinos and education providers focusing on reducing the national Hispanic high school drop out rate.

"The Church and education intersect at a pivotal point," said Dr. Gus Reyes, director of Hispanic Education Initiative/Affinity Ministries for the Baptist General Convention of Texas and director of the NHCLC Education Directive in a news release.

"The NHCLC reaches out to the Hispanic community through the Hispanic Church in bringing others to Christ, to the Cross. Additionally it encourages and equips the Church to help people of all ages 'finish-the-race' by creating a 'go-to' college atmosphere and culture. When a person is educated, it enhances and expedites their ability to then disciple others, serving Christ. Thus it starts at the Cross and ends at the Cross. Powerful!"

IWU is a senior partner of NHCLC which exists to unify, serve and represent the Hispanic born again community via 34,200 member churches and 16 million constituents by reconciling the Christian message through the seven directives of life, family, Great Commission, stewardship, justice, education and youth.

RELATIONSHIPS TOP GENERAL CONFERENCE PRIORITIES

A delegation of University representatives joined hundreds of members of The Wesleyan Church at General Conference, June 2 to 6, in Lexington, Kentucky. Conference highlights included conversations held at the exhibit and during the reception.

Nearly 500 IWU alumni and friends attended the Sunday evening reception. **President Henry Smith** and **Executive Vice President Keith Newman** brought greetings, Master's Praise performed special music and Revolution provided ambiance music.

"It's always good when the Wesleyan family gathers together every four years," said **Gale Richmond**, Director of Church Relations and IWU General Conference coordinator. "General Conference serves many purposes, not the least is providing opportunities for friendships to be rekindled and celebrated. Our exhibit space was filled with people sharing their memories about IWU, greeting friends, and asking questions about University and Seminary programs.



Dr. Kwasi Kena, Assistant Professor in the Wesleyan Seminary, and President Smith meet The Wesleyan Church members at General Conference.

WIWU-TV RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARDS



The 33rd Annual Telly Awards named WIWU-TV the winner of three prestigious Telly's this year, awards honoring the best in video and broadcast production across the nation. WIWU-TV received two bronze Telly's and one silver Telly — the highest recognition possible. Nearly 11,000 entries were submitted from all 50 states and numerous countries to be judged by a panel of previous Silver Telly winners in this year's competition.

The WIWU-TV newsmagazine *Crossroads* received the Silver Telly in the news feature category for **Dr. Randall E. King's** segment "The Bridge Keeper," focusing on Matthews, Indiana resident Larry Barnett's fight to restore and maintain an Indiana

landmark. *Crossroads* also received a Bronze Telly for a segment IWU students **Russ Clark**, **Matt Green** and **Bill Rehr** produced for their story on motocross racing in Wabash, Indiana.

Station manager **Paul Crisp** also produced three videos for the IWU Men's Basketball team, which received this prestigious award. The videos were used as a promotional campaign for WIWU-TV's 2011-2012 live basketball coverage and as a pregame video for the live audience.

"We love working with our basketball team and are honored that our collaboration was recognized on a national level," said Crisp, an IWU alumnus to began working for WIWU-TV 16 years ago.

"The Telly Awards has a mission to honor the very best in film and video," said Linda Day, Telly Awards executive director. "WIWU-TV's accomplishment illustrates their creativity, skill and dedication to their craft and serves as a testament to great film and video production."

WIWU-TV, owned and operated by Indiana Wesleyan University, is a local Class A television station serving Marion and Grant County.



EXPERIENCE SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY, BLUEGRASS STYLE, DURING CHAPARRAL '12

Explore some of Kentucky's historic and iconic landmarks including Shakertown, the Kentucky Horse Park and the Abbey of Gethsemane October 22-26. An annual fall tradition, Chaparral offers daily devotions, a wide variety of destinations, and comfortable transportation and accommodations. For more information, visit indwes.edu/Chaparral/ or call 765-677-2466. Reservations are due September 24.

WESLEY SEMINARY RECEIVES ASSOCIATION OF THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Wesley Seminary received approval for associate membership into the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) on Wednesday, June 20.

The Seminary was eligible for the associate membership for the first time since it began in 2009. According to **Dr. Ken Schenk**, Dean of the Seminary, schools can only be accredited once they have at least one class that completed the Seminary's program.

ATS is comprised of over 250 graduate theological schools in both the U.S. and Canada. The wide spectrum of the organization spans across a range of denominations, including Roman Catholic and Jewish institutions.

Associate membership is the preliminary step to becoming a candidate for accredited membership with ATS. After a period of time, graduate theological programs that complete

the process and fulfill the requirements attain official ATS membership.

"Membership ideally leads to accreditation as a theological school (we now begin this phase of the process). Although all the programs of IWU are accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, ATS accreditation indicates that our Seminary programs are quality ministerial programs. It opens doors for our students in any number of venues. The M.Div. degree is currently the default degree for a minister to have and ATS accreditation says that our M.Div. degree is a quality degree," said Schenk.

Some opportunities made possible through full ATS membership include Wesley Seminary's eligibility for federal student loan programs, and the Master of Divinity degree meeting qualifications for the U.S. military chaplaincy.

MARION CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The Science and Nursing building remains on schedule for its fall 2014 opening. Work began in the atrium area with the demolition of the Burns stairwell progressing to the foundation work for the rest of the building. Preparations for the new stairwell and installation of structural steel are underway.

For more information, visit indwes.edu/SNB2014.



The Wesley Seminary building is on schedule for its spring 2013 opening. The building structure is visible as the precast panels and steel structure are complete. Preparations for masonry, interior slabs and roofing are underway.

For more information, visit indwes.edu/SEM2013.

EVERY STUDENT MATTERS

IWU employees are doing something that most of them have already been doing: praying for and encouraging students during the summer months.

President Smith invited workers to become one of the **210for10** volunteers who would commit to keep in touch with 10 students this summer. As the name suggests, a minimum of 210 faculty and staff were asked to join the prayer partner program. The goal was reached, and **210for10** was implemented June 1.

In his invitation, Dr. Smith said, "Students are IWU's most important resource. Every student matters, and we want to

be intentional to remember them when they are away from campus for the summer.

"During June, July and August, many students will be serving and studying overseas, while others will be working to earn money so they can resume classes this fall. I believe those students should know that they have our prayer support."

Dr. Smith also referenced students ending the spring semester by praying throughout campus for the IWU community.

"I can't think of a better gift than for IWU workers to pray throughout the summer for the wellbeing and safe return of our students," Smith said.

THREE VALEDICTORIANS LEAD CLASS OF 2012



Three students in the class of 2012 were honored as valedictorians during the first of three spring commencement ceremonies on Saturday (April 28).

Honored were **David Thomas Collins**, a pre-medicine/biology major from Marion, Indiana; **Santiago Jaramillo**, a business administration/marketing major from Weston, Florida; and **Linnea Danielle Manheim**, a social studies major from Springfield, Illinois. Each valedictorian had a perfect 4.0 grade-point average.

Collins' older brother, **Thomas Joseph**, was one of two valedictorians last spring. He majored in computer software engineering.

Two faculty members received special recognition from **David Wright**, Provost and Chief Academic Officer. **Pam Harrison**, Professor of Nursing, received the Outstanding Teaching and Mentoring Award; and **Jerry Pattengale**, Assistant Provost for Public Engagement, received the World Changing Faculty Award.

Dr. Rusty Hawkins, a post-doctoral fellow of John Wesley Honors College, was named Professor of the Year. **Aaron Morrison**, a political science/pre-law and economics major from Crawfordsville, Indiana, was named Senior of the Year.

The Student Government Association presents both awards.

About 2,050 graduates received diplomas. Todd Voss, president of Southern Wesleyan University in South Carolina, was the speaker. A vice president at IWU for 22 years, Voss became president of SWU in July 2011. He received an Honorary Doctor of Education Leadership degree during the first graduation ceremony.

About 600 of the spring graduates earned degrees through traditional classes on the residential campus in Marion. The other graduates took classes either online or at IWU education centers and other sites in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio.

Rev. Kevin Myers, a 1982 graduate, spoke at the baccalaureate service. He is the pastor of 12Stone® Church, near Atlanta, Georgia, which is the largest congregation in The Wesleyan Church.

Myers is a member of the IWU Board of Trustees and also serves on the Board of Wesley Seminary at IWU.

The next Commencement will be held August 11, 2012.



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SOFTBALL ADVANCES TO FIRST NAIA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT, DAVIS NAMED ALL-AMERICAN



First year head softball coach **Steve Babinski** led his team to the best season in program history.

IWU set a new school record with a record of 45-13 and advanced to the NAIA National Championship for the first time. The Wildcats went 1-2 at the national tournament as they defeated No. 20-ranked Central Methodist (Mo.).

IWU earned an automatic bid to the national tournament by winning its second ever MCC Tournament. IWU was the No.

2-seed in the bracket and went unbeaten in the double elimination tournament in Marion.

Senior **Tamara Davis** became the first Wildcat to be named NAIA All-American since 2005 when she was named NAIA All-American Second Team. **Britney Froedge** was the last Wildcat to earn All-American honors when she was named to the Second Team in 2005. Senior **Abbie Forman** was also recognized as a NAIA All-American Honorable Mention.

Davis is only the fourth Wildcat to make the NAIA All-American list, joining **Jean Doehring** (1999), **Sarah Shivler** (2002), and Froedge. All four have been selected to the Second Team.

The senior from Monroe, Ohio was the catalyst for the offense that broke many program records. Davis hit a team-leading .462 with 15 doubles, eight triples, four home runs and 37 RBI. She also added 47 stolen bases and 68 runs scored.

MEN'S GOLF EARNS FOUR MCC POSTSEASON HONORS

Sophomore **Tyler Keith**, senior **Matt Milholland**, and freshman **Dalton Miller** were all named Mid-Central College Conference All-Conference. Head coach **Steve Evans** was recognized as the MCC Co-Coach of the Year.

All three Wildcats finished in the top 10 of the three-round MCC Championship Invitational. Milholland was sixth overall at a nine-over par, 222 (75-76-71) and was the low card for the Wildcats. Miller tied for eighth place and was three strokes behind Milholland at 225 (73-75-77) and Keith earned 10th place at 226 (76-76-74).

Evans was named Co-Coach of the Year for leading IWU to a runner-up finish at the conference championship. The recognition is the third in his career.





DEMICHAEL NAMED MID-CENTRAL COLLEGE CONFERENCE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

award is not a reflection of an individual’s accomplishments but instead on the entire Indiana Wesleyan University Athletic Department.”

DeMichael became the first full-time Athletic Director on July 1, 2008. Since then, he has overseen many improvements while implementing many of his own philosophies in the department.

The first addition was the annual Athletic Commissioning Service followed by a Student-Athlete Leadership Summit. IWU has also implemented an expanded roster strategy and will begin the University’s 16th intercollegiate sport this fall when the inaugural women’s golf team competes.

DeMichael has also overseen two upgrades to facilities. Men’s and women’s basketball and volleyball were given new locker rooms inside the Recreation and Wellness Center while baseball, men’s and women’s soccer, and softball received brand new locker rooms at the Troyer Fieldhouse. Luckey Arena also has a new floor design plus nearly 500 more seats from bleachers added to both baselines.

Athletic Director **Mark DeMichael** was selected by his peers as the Mid-Central College Conference Athletic Director of the Year.

DeMichael has been at the helm of the Wildcats’ Athletic Department for four years after serving as the school’s baseball coach for 11 seasons.

“It is an incredible honor to receive the 2012 MCC Athletic Director of the Year,” said DeMichael. “This

The MCC All-Sports Championship has been won all four seasons under DeMichael. IWU has earned the trophy for 11 straight seasons and 17 overall.

“Our student-athletes, coaches and support staff are committed to bringing glory to God through intercollegiate athletics and this award is a result of that commitment,” added DeMichael. “Administrators also know that you are only as good as your support staff, and I am blessed with the best administrative assistant in the NAIA in **Melody Leckron**. Without her, things do not happen in our Athletic Department.”

MCC RENAMED CROSSROADS LEAGUE



Beginning June 27, 2012 the Mid-Central College Conference is the Crossroads League. The Crossroads League is a 10-institution athletic conference in the NAIA and offers 15 year round sports throughout Indiana, Michigan and Ohio.

League Commissioner J.D. Collins initiated the re-brand effort to update the identity of the Central-Indiana-based athletic conference. Several factors were considered; the conference’s location in the Midwest, each institution being faith-based and communicating elite athletics.

“Our League now communicates, both visually and through the name, all of the things our institutions hold dear; our unique faith, top-flight athletics, and our foundation in the Midwest”, said J.D. Collins.

The League will continue to compete regularly in the NAIA’s national tournaments as well as continuing to produce the nation’s top Academic All-Americans.

“I am extremely excited about the new name and logo of our Athletic Conference,” said Athletic Director Mark DeMichael. “The name, Crossroads League, represents not only our geographic location, but also our Christian university heritage that is so critically important to our IWU athletic mission.

“As a member of the Branding Committee, I know how much time and work our Conference Commissioner, JD Collins, put into making this historical change a positive one for every institution in the league and he should be congratulated for his outstanding leadership,” said DeMichael. “IWU athletics is excited to partner with our league institutions with the goal of making the Crossroads League the most recognizable and respected conference in the NAIA.”

Crossroads League consists of: Bethel College (Mishawaka, IN); Goshen College (Goshen, IN); Grace College (Winona Lake, IN); Huntington University (Huntington, IN); Indiana Wesleyan University (Marion, IN); Marian University (Indianapolis, IN); Mount Vernon Nazarene University (Mount Vernon, OH); University of Saint Francis (Fort Wayne, IN); Spring Arbor University (Spring Arbor, MI); and Taylor University (Upland, IN).

MILHOLLAND NAMED NAIA SCHOLAR-ATHLETE

Matt Milholland, senior from Marysville, Ohio, was one of 133 men's golf student-athletes to be named a 2012 Daktronics-NAIA Scholar-Athlete. In order to be nominated by an institution's head coach, a student-athlete must maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and must have achieved a junior academic status to qualify for this honor.

HEINIGER NAMED NAIA WOMEN'S TENNIS ALL-AMERICAN, MEYERING RECEIVES HONORABLE MENTION

Sophomore **Rachel Heiniger** was honored as an NAIA All-American Second Team member while junior **Andrea Meyering** was named NAIA All-American Honorable Mention. The All-American recognition is the first for Heiniger and is the second for Meyering. Meyering was named NAIA All-American Second Team in her freshman season in 2009-10.

Student-athletes were selected by the All-America committee. The list of honorees includes 16 student-athletes on each of the First Team and Second Team, plus 21 Honorable Mentions. Of the 32 student-athletes honored as an All-American, Heiniger was one of nine to be a sophomore.

Heiniger and Meyering played pivotal roles for Indiana Wesleyan University this season at the top of the lineup as the Wildcats went 25-5 and won the program's 20th consecutive Mid-Central College Conference championship. IWU was an NCCAA semifinalist and advanced to the NAIA National Championship Second Round.

Heiniger played at the No. 1-singles position and also teamed with sophomore **Kristen Futrell** to form the No. 2-doubles team. Meyering was the No. 2-singles player for the Wildcats and teamed with junior **Lauren Wilson** for the No. 1-doubles pair.

Heiniger and Meyering bring the total to 20 Wildcats who have received NAIA All-American recognition.

IWU HOSTS NAIA TRACK & FIELD NATIONALS, FOUR WILDCATS NAMED ALL-AMERICAN

IWU hosted the 2012 NAIA Outdoor Track and Field National Championships on May 24-26 at the Outdoor Track Complex. This marked the third consecutive year that Indiana Wesleyan hosted the national championships.

"It was mid-to-upper 80's throughout the weekend and reached 90's on Saturday," stated head track and field coach **John Foss**. "And no rain this year after so much rain a year ago. It's really perfect track weather. And with the way our facility is set up with the grass berms it's like picnic time out there. It was a very, very enjoyable weekend."

The Wildcat men finished 29th in the country while the women earned 30th place.

The Wildcats earned an All-American honor in each the men's and women's Hammer Throw competition. **Victoria Lee** earned her second straight NAIA national runner-up finish with a toss of 179 feet 11 inches while **James Schortgen** claimed his first All-American honor with a fifth place finish after a throw of 191-7.

Earning top-eight in their finals to score points and earn the NAIA All-American honors were **Kyla Morgan** in the Women's Heptathlon and **Darrian Mikell** in the Men's Long Jump.

Morgan entered the final three events of the Heptathlon in ninth place and after the Long Jump and Javelin she was 10th. But her time of 2:29 in the 800-Meter Run vaulted her into the final All-American spot in eighth place. Her final point total was 4,267 points.



Mikell entered the Men's Long Jump as the 14th seed but left the national championship fifth overall. His giant leap of 24 feet 0.5 inches put him near the top of the field for four points for IWU. The All-American honor is the second straight for Mikell in the Long Jump.

| alumni profile |



Church music has always been part of Samantha Gossard's life, and she is certain it always will be. But one night while an IWU student, Gossard found a new love in the Civic Opera House of Chicago.

"I never really experienced opera until I went to IWU," Gossard recalled. "They took us to the Chicago Lyric Opera and I saw Verdi's *La Traviata*, and I was mesmerized. There's so much happening, and it's just so big, but at the same time I felt like I could latch onto it and experience something really profound."

The next few years would take Gossard from the IWU Chapel praise and worship band to the stage at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C.

"When I walked through the 'doors' of IWU, my first time there, I would have never guessed that where I am right now, what I'm doing right now, is what I would be doing," Gossard said. "We have an idea of the way we want our lives to go, and I can be the first person of many to tell you that it often doesn't work out the way we think it's going to work out."

Last February, Gossard performed with several other CIM students at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts as part of the Kennedy Center's Conservatory Project.

"It was very interesting to see that she got her degree in church music and now is literally performing [opera] in some of the greatest venues in the United States," said Dr. Todd Guy, IWU Division of Music chair.

Guy recalls Gossard as an excellent student and vocalist who served as student chaplain for the Chorale and spent two summers traveling the country leading contemporary Christian music as part of the ministry team program.

Gossard has equally fond memories. "Dr. Guy gave me a vision of what it means to be an excellent musician, and an

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excellent follower of Christ no matter what area I go into," she said.

At age six, she joined the choir at Sidney First United Methodist Church, Sidney, Ohio. "I have always had a passion for music and worship in the church."

When she learned that her church's music minister had earned a double major in church music and Christian worship, she knew that that was exactly what she wanted.

"It ended up being one of the best decisions I've ever made, going to Indiana Wesleyan," Gossard said. "I discovered the Chorale through Dr. Guy and got to travel all over the world with them, and learn so much about music, excellence, companionship and myself."

Gossard became one of the founding members of Veritas, the IWU summer-ministry worship band that still tours. Toward the end of her junior year, she decided to pursue music at the graduate level.

"I think God challenged me to step over the edge and trust him," she said.

Gossard performed in her very first opera at CIM and still studies with nationally renowned operatic tenor Vincent Cole.

CIM is a challenging school with some of the most rigorous music theory courses in the country, but Gossard felt prepared. "IWU taught me, you do everything with excellence, and try as hard as you can and honor God with your choices and with your decisions and with your work, and things often work out."

She plans to spend the next year based in Cleveland, getting a job to support her efforts applying and flying to audition at various opera houses.

"I want to sing professionally," Gossard said. "I'd love to be a professional opera singer performing in major opera houses, and I'd love it to be a national career and even an international career. But I'm taking it one day at a time and working hard and seeing where God takes it, and if he takes it in a different direction than what I'm seeing right now and what people are telling me, then that's fine."

She's learned the value of trusting God to lead her where she needs to go, even when it seems terrifying to take that next step.

"Johann Sebastian Bach said the sole purpose of music is the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul," said Gossard. "And I wholeheartedly agree with him."

| Future Alumni |

Joshua and **Rachael (Kelly) Johnston, '02**, announce the birth of their daughter, Abigail Grace, born October 27, 2011.

Shanen and **Brent Alcorn, '09**, announce the birth of their son, Elijah Thomas, born March 26, 2012

| Down The Aisle |

Benjamin Lewis and **Kallie Marie (Goheen) Hubbard, '07**, were married in Twin Bridges, Calif., March 8, 2012. They reside in Gardnerville, Nev.

| In Memoriam |

Ardith Gallimore OWO, died March 2

Lillian Bogumil, '38, died May 30

Elisabeth Poe, '45, died April 16

Betty Clifton, '47, died February 25

Robert Decker, '47, died January 20

Helen Herron, '47, died June 9

Douglas Bartley, '49, died May 16

Heyman Duecker, '50, died February 23

Lois Ellis, '50, died June 6

David Zent, '50, died March 9

James Satterfield, '57, died June 21

Eleanor Robinson, '58, died February 10

Ronald Mielke, '59, died January 19

Linda Bradfield, '62, died April 15

Charles Rickman, '65, died June 21

Helen Applewhite, '75, died February 5

Joan Runyan, '76, died June 16

Lorene Bonta, '78, died January 26

Jaman Iseminger, '09, died May 19

Katrina Short, '09, died March 4

| alumni news |

Alumni News provides alumni a venue for sharing personal and professional accomplishments. Submissions are edited for length, clarity and style standards.

80s

Rick and **Phyllis (Parker), '81, Webb**, received honorary doctorate degrees of Fine Arts from Laurel University, an interdenominational Christian university in High Point, N.C. The Webbs were recognized on May 5, 2012, during spring commencement for their 30 years of music ministry in the U.S. and throughout different parts of the world.

90s

Sonya Zeller, '95, R.N., M.S.N., M.B.A., will serve as the regional director of Oncology Practice Operations, responsible for IU Health's non-clinical program operations and contracted services outside Central Indiana. Most recently, Zeller was the executive director of Cancer Services, Laboratory Services and the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at IU Health Bloomington Hospital, where she designed, constructed and accredited an outpatient surgery center.

Franciscan St. Francis Health registered nurse **India Jane (Taylor) Owens, '97**, has been named a fellow in the Academy of Emergency Nursing after 34 years as a nurse. Director of Emergency Services for Franciscan St. Francis Health, Owens is recognized for making outstanding contributions to advance the emergency nursing clinical specialty. She has contributed to emergency nursing professional journals and has worked to affect legislation regarding patient safety. In 2008, she served on a state-commissioned group to develop new standards of care and pandemic influenza preparedness.

00s

Susanna Childress, '01, first book, *Jagged with Love*, was selected by Billy Collins for the Brittingham Prize in Poetry and by the University of Southern Illinois-Carbondale for the Devi's Kitchen Reading Award. New Issues Press recently released her second book, *Entering the House of Awe*. Childress has taught writing and literature at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind., and Hope College, Holland, Mich., has received an AWP Intro Journals Award, the National Career Award in Poetry from the National

Society of Arts and Letters, and a Lilly post-doctoral fellowship. She lives in Holland.

Dr. Hugh Sales, '01, MBA, was awarded his doctorate in public affairs from the University of Texas, Dallas. His dissertation was titled, *Affecting Philanthropic Propensity: A Case Study of Dallas Social Venture Partners*. Sales has accepted a professorship in business at Belmont Abbey College near Charlotte, N.C., where he will also be heading the Entrepreneurship Program.

MSA, the leading global manufacturer of safety products and systems that protect people and facility infrastructures, has appointed **Steve Blanco, '02**, to the position of vice president of Global Operational Excellence.

Teri Crussen, '02, principal of Jane Ball Elementary School, enjoys that every day at work is different from the last. The Valparaiso, Ind., resident has served as principal of the Cedar Lake School for two years. Crussen graduated from Purdue University in 1991 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education prior to earning her master's degree from IWU.

Matthew Davis, '02, is the vice president of Finance and controller at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Ind.

Raymond Leach, '02, has a book, the *Cult of Comfort* in digital format, and another book chronicling his deployment as an Army chaplain to Iraq titled, *Iron Cross under Crescent Moon*. Both are available at www.extremereality.org. Leach and his wife, Tammy, see the chaplaincy as a mission field to the military. After five months of chaplain recruiting and completing a subsequent 22-month deployment to Iraq in 2007, Leach mobilized at Fort Lewis, Wash., and Fort McCoy, Wis., preparing troops, chaplains and chaplain assistants for combat deployments. This year, the Leaches celebrate 23 years of marriage, 20 years of career ministry, their son, Remington, and daughter, Rebekah.

After completing her BSN, **Rebecca Crane, '05**, continued her work in the hospice field as director and administrator of two nationally recognized hospice agencies. She completed her M.S.N. from Kaplan University in November of 2010. Since August of 2011, she has been on the full-time faculty of Ivy Tech Community College as a nursing instructor. Crane is working toward her doctorate in leadership in education at North Central University, Minneapolis, Minn.

Holly Goe, '05, R.N., M.S.N., will serve as the statewide executive director of Clinical Operations overseeing all IU Health outpatient oncology practices, including the IU Simon Cancer Center. Goe will implement IU Health's clinical oncology model of care throughout the state, which includes standards of quality assurance and nursing policies, performance improvement programs, the use of clinical pathways, access to clinical trials, and a consistent approach to symptom management and patient navigation.

Kathryn (Alloway) Page, '05, worked as a Production office assistant on the five-time, Academy Award-winning film, *The Artist*. Since relocating to Los Angeles in May 2010, Katie has worked at Edward Saxon Productions as a Development intern, International Creative Management (ICM) as a Production intern, Universal Pictures International and Focus Features as the assistant to the director of Acquisitions, and is working as a casting assistant on A&E's Emmy winning show, *Intervention*.

Charity Welch, '06, is a member of the King's Daughters' Hospital and Health Services First Urology team, Madison, Ind. Welch joined the KDH team in April after serving at St. Vincent Physician Network in North Vernon, Ind. Welch, certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (ARNP), is seeing patients at the Medical Office Building.

Rachel Delicath, '07, graduated from Ball State University with a master's degree in school counseling.

JP (John Paul) Bratcher, '08, graduated from Pettit College of Law at Ohio Northern University, Ada, Ohio, in May. In March, he participated in the Albert R. Mugel National Tax Moot Court Competition annually sponsored by SUNY Buffalo Law School where his team was awarded the distinction of Best Brief. Mugel Competition is the oldest national tax moot court competition in the U.S. Bratcher served as vice president of the law school's Christian Legal Society during 2011-12. Following his July Florida bar exam, he will attend Georgetown Univ. Law School, Washington, D.C., for a one-year specialty tax degree.



Elizabeth Brillhart '08, has joined Peck, Shaffer & Williams LLP as Human Resources director. Brillhart has more than 15 years of human resources experience, and has served in management and recruitment roles for Aspiriant Investment Advisors and the Mead Corporation.

Lauren (Page) Law, '06, '08, will be returning to work at the Durban Bible College, South Africa, this summer with her husband, **Daniel, '06, '09**. She celebrated receiving her master's degree by making an initial short-term trip to teach at Durban. This time, she will be there for a whole term teaching courses in music fundamentals and the fundamentals of leading worship.

Ronald Kemper, '09, has joined the CNO Financial Group firm.



IWU ATHLETICS: Then & Now The first men's and women's tennis teams were formed in 1968. Their head coaches were Terry Porter, men's tennis, and Dee Henry, women's tennis. Gathered at the NAIA National Tennis Tournament this May in Mobile, Alabama, are (l to r): Porter, current head women's coach; Rachael Heiniger, current #1 player; Jan Beekman, first #1 player; and Henry, head women's coach at Biola University, California.

Erin O'Connell, '09, has been named staff accountant at Blue & Co., Carmel, Ind.

10s

Tony Hiatt, '10, is the new principal at Hanover Central Middle School, Cedar Lake, Ind. Hiatt most recently served as an assistant principal for South Newton School Corp.

Matthew Mindac, '10, is selected for this year's Woodrow Wilson Indiana Teaching Fellowship. A chemistry major, Mindac is a rehabilitation technician, a high school tutor and was an undergraduate researcher in chemistry. He will receive a \$30,000 stipend to complete a special intensive master's program at Ball State University, one of four partnership universities. After earning his master's degree, he will teach for at least three years in a high-need urban or rural school in Indiana that has committed, along with the partner university, to provide ongoing professional support and opportunities for continued study.

Pamela Leonard, '11, Fort Wayne, Ind., started her own business specializing in estate sales and home liquidation. The business grew so rapidly that Leonard opened a retail location that sells furniture and home décor.

Steve Welcher, '11, has been promoted to dean of Harrison College in Lafayette, Ind. Welcher, an IUPUI graduate, earned a master's degree from IWU. He started his career with Harrison College in 1997 as an instructor in the School of Business and has served as the associate dean of the Lafayette campus since January 2011.

Kenyetta Woods, '11, is the office manager of Finish Line, Inc., Indianapolis, Ind.

| ALUMNI PORTAL |

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Calling for Your Help

Last year, alumni response to Phonathon calls topped \$100,000. Contributions, which are tax deductible, covered educational costs throughout IWU including the residential campus, the 18 education centers, faculty salaries and student scholarships.

This fall, students asking for help will again call alumni.

“The name, Phonathon, does not adequately represent the powerful connection our students have with our alumni,” said Lance Percy, Associate Vice President of Advancement. “These conversations not only include words of encouragement, they often end with prayer, for both the caller and the alumnus. Alumni - thank you for your financial and prayer support. You continue to be a blessed part of the IWU community.”



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Fall Semester 2012

Friday, **September 28**

Monday, **October 8** (Columbus Day)

Wednesday, **October 17** - Multicultural Open House

Friday, **October 26**

Friday, **November 2** - Spotlight on Nursing

Friday, **November 9** - Spotlights on Communication AND
Modern Language and Literature

Monday, **November 12** (Veteran's Day)

Friday, **November 16** - Spotlight on Physical and Applied
Sciences (Natural Sciences, Mathematics and Computer
Information Sciences, and Health and Human Performance)

Saturday, **November 17**

Friday, **November 30**

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