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DEZARAY BARR

FIRST-GENERATION STUDENT
TRIUMPHS OVER ADVERSITY

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FRIDAY

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Spotlight on Nursing

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SUNDAY/MONDAY

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Spotlight on ROTC

MONDAY

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SATURDAY

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FEATURING:

Dezaray Barr is the 2016 recipient of the Realizing the Dream scholarship, which is awarded annually to an outstanding first-generation student.



The magazine name, *Triangle*, represents the original configuration of the Marion College campus, renamed Indiana Wesleyan University in 1988.

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FALL SEMESTER BEGINS WITH SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

IWU students and faculty gathered in September at the beginning of the fall semester to share in Summit Week, a time set aside for spiritual renewal at the beginning of each semester. Shawn Cossin, senior pastor at Heritage Church in Rock Island, Illinois, was the speaker for the three-day series of chapel services, which also featured a worship team.

IWU PARTICIPATES IN INDIANA TORCH RELAY

Indiana celebrated its 200th anniversary with a torch relay that passed through all of the state's 92 counties in September and October. Casey Reaves, son of Dr. Lori Goss-Reaves, an IWU social work professor, carried the torch as it passed by the IWU residential campus. Reaves carried the torch in honor of his grandfather, HM2 Larry Jo Goss, a Navy corpsman, who was killed in battle on Feb. 14, 1968, while treating a wounded Marine in Vietnam.

IWU WELCOMES NEW CIO

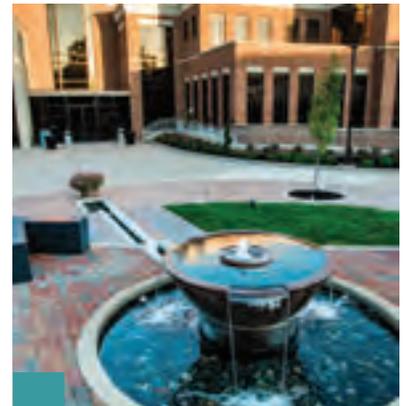
After an extensive search, IWU hired Scott Gilreath as its assistant vice president and chief information officer. Gilreath has spent his entire career in higher education information technology, serving both in a traditional campus environment and in online adult education. Before joining IWU, Gilreath was vice president for information technology and chief information officer at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Indiana.

IWU HOSTS 21ST ANNUAL GRANDPARENTS DAY

More than 835 grandparents attended the 21st annual Grandparents Day in October on IWU's residential campus. The annual event provides an opportunity for grandparents to experience campus life with their grandchild. Guests begin the day with a continental breakfast before attending an informational meeting with other grandparents and a chapel service with the entire campus community. The day also features lunch in Baldwin Dining Center and guided tours of campus.

5K RUN HONORS LATE EDUCATION PROFESSOR

IWU students organized a memorial 5K race in honor of Dr. Amy Forshey, 47, who lost her two-year battle with cancer during the summer. Forshey taught special education at IWU for 11 years. The 5K was held in October at the Eastbrook High School cross-country course, near Marion. Nearly 200 runners participated and more than \$6,500 was raised for the Forshey family.



NEW WATER FEATURE UNVEILED ON CAMPUS

As promised, IWU's new water feature was completed before students returned to campus for the fall semester. The water feature, located in Eastburn Plaza on the west side of Barnes Student Center, features flowing water from a large bronze bowl. The water feature is situated on a triangle-shaped base, which represents the original shape of IWU's campus. Other elements include trees and three benches engraved with the words, Character, Scholarship and Leadership, which represent three components of IWU's mission statement. The new water feature replaces a round fountain that deteriorated over the years and eventually became inoperable.

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Changing the World



DAVID BLANCHARD '53 HONORED AS ALUMNI WORLD CHANGER

David Blanchard, whose life journey took him from the hills of Kentucky to outer space, received the 2016 Indiana Wesleyan University Alumni World Changer Award during the Homecoming chapel service in October.

Blanchard grew up in Breathitt County, Kentucky, where his father was a pastor. He often told people, “We had no electrical power, no telephone, no running water and a path instead of a bath.” Horseback was his primary mode of transportation until he was 12 years old.

“My mom had me on horseback at the age of 3 months, and I have enjoyed riding ever since,” said Blanchard, who recently celebrated his 85th birthday anniversary.

Blanchard graduated from Marion College in 1953 with a major in Religion and a minor in Greek. By his own admission, he had no clue what he wanted to do for a vocation. Based on what he calls “an insightful dean of registration at the University of Louisville,” he completed undergraduate requirements for a degree in Physics and went on to complete a master’s degree by the summer of 1957.

Blanchard doesn’t even remember the dean’s name. “I still wish I could thank this nameless person who cast my whole career!” he said.

Blanchard spent six months in the Army after earning his master’s degree and then returned to Marion College where he taught general science and physics for two quarters. He also met Allene Horne, an instructor in keyboard and music, and they were married in June 1958.

Blanchard’s first career job was in underwater oceanography with the U.S. Navy, which he said taught him several valuable lessons.

“Having just completed my master’s degree in Physics, I was quite confident that, given the right information, and time, I could solve most problems,” he said in an interview several years ago. “While very successful in this job, I learned within a couple of years that success was not always guaranteed.”

Blanchard’s success in the Navy led to a job with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) that spanned 20 years. At NASA, he was involved in design, development, test and readiness reviews of spaceflights and spaceflight support systems for many missions – including the Hubble Space Telescope and the Space Shuttle.

In 1971, while supported by NASA, he received his Ph.D. in Applied Physics and Mathematics at Catholic University of America. Blanchard also has an honorary Doctor of Business

Management degree from Indiana Wesleyan University.

Blanchard spent 17 years in private industry, before retiring in 1997 as president of the Space Missions System Division of Lockheed Martin. After retiring, he and his son started a consulting firm that worked with private and government spaceflight projects.

In 2004, Blanchard funded IWU’s first endowed chair, The Blanchard Chair in Physics and Mathematics, with the hope of encouraging Christians to pursue science degrees.

David and Allene Blanchard, who now live in Virginia, have two children and four grandchildren.

IWU trustees established the Alumni World Changer Award in 2012 to honor an alumnus who has made or is making a significant difference in his or her corner of the world. Whether in the marketplace or on the mission field, IWU World Changers are people who influence and impact others through servant leadership.

CLASS OF 2020

A New Generation

In 1920, the first group of students stepped on the campus of what was then Marion College. Some 80,000 students have followed in those footsteps going on to become world-changing doctors, lawyers, scientists, nurses, teachers, pastors and entrepreneurs.

In addition to being a milestone class, 32 percent of the students are first-generation students, which is the highest percentage ever at IWU. The percentage is consistent with the other 30 member institutions of Independent Colleges of Indiana.

Often, underserved first-generation students may feel an overwhelming sense of pressure or feelings of marginalization, which can lead to decreased chances of college success and graduation. In fact, studies have found that first-generation students are four times more likely to drop out of college after the first year.

First-generation students are the start of something new. A break in the cycle. And, just like the thousands of IWU alumni before them, they have world-changing work ahead of them.

In September, the 100th class to attend what is now Indiana Wesleyan University – the Class of 2020 – began their higher education journey.

Nationally, about one-fourth of students enrolled in post-secondary education are students whose parents have not earned a bachelor's degree.

First-generation students are among the most diverse segment of students in post-secondary education. A study published recently by the Council of Independent

Colleges indicated that first-generation students are more likely to come from low-income families, be students of color, and come from a home where English is a second language.

In an effort to help ensure that its first-generation students will succeed, IWU has invested time and resources to establish various support programs. A primary source of support is the federally funded TRiO Student Support Services (SSS) program that IWU has offered for 36 years.

The program supports academically at-risk students, including first-generation students, to transition from high school through college. TRiO advisors work individually with students to support them in academic, career and personal needs through tutoring, academic accountability, financial literacy training and more.



In fact, from the 2015 to 2016 academic year, 89.6 percent of TRiO students returned to IWU or graduated, and 98.78 percent were in good academic standing.

“First-generation students have different obstacles than other students,” said Karen Newhard, director of the TRiO SSS program. “TRiO works because of the intentional effort to support these students through individual meetings with trained advisors. TRiO students know that they have someone cheering for them, challenging them and coaching them based on their individual needs.”

Assisting first-generation students once they arrive on campus is clearly important, but IWU also recognizes the importance of helping students before they even graduate from high school.

IWU Near You is a program that was developed in 2015 to expose high school students to the pre-college survival skills needed to ensure success once students get to college. The program is a resource for prospective students who live near IWU’s residential campus, helping to ensure that students and their parents are equipped to navigate the college search process. Students are invited to participate in workshops and initiatives that focus on

a variety of topics including admissions, financial aid, navigating college environments and choosing a vocation.

“IWU Near You seeks to promote the development of a college-going culture and spaces in which the aspirations of all students are nurtured and supported,” said Carolina Forman, coordinator of Pre-College Programming at IWU. “So far it has been so exciting to get to know the students we are working with and to walk with them as they think through their own goals and the next steps they have in pursuing their education.”

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FAITH AMIDST HARDSHIP

Your life can change in an instant. Perhaps nobody knows this better than Dezaray Barr '19.

When Barr was growing up, her parents had created a faith-centered home. The family would take road trips, memorize scripture and play games together. Barr said their life was simply normal, but that lifestyle began to change when she was eight years old and her parents decided to get a divorce.

The divorce left a close-knit family in shambles as Barr and her younger brother were shuffled between their mom and dad's respective homes. A year and a half later, Barr's mother told her children the divorce would be legalized soon.

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"[I was] thinking I had so many problems, but God quickly hit me with the realization that my trials were only beginning," said Barr, an Indiana native.

Two days before the divorce was finalized, when Barr was 10 years old, the unthinkable happened. Barr's mother had a fatal heart attack in her sleep.

After Barr's mother died, her paternal grandparents stepped into her life. They showed her God's undying love, and she quickly became attached to them. A short time later, Barr's grandfather was diagnosed with cancer and later died. A year and a half later, Barr's grandmother died from cancer as well.

"It felt like it was one thing after another," said Barr. "Right when I would get back on my feet and into my faith, I would lose another loved one."

As Barr entered high school, she became involved with the yearbook, National Honor Society, church youth group and theatre.

She also began to dream about attending college. Since neither of her parents nor her grandparents had attended college, she would be the first in her family to do so. She acknowledged the obstacles that come with being a first-generation college student, but knew she had to pursue a degree.

"I knew I had the potential to go to college, and I didn't want to waste that potential," said Barr.

Just when she felt like her life was getting back on track, she found herself in an all-too-familiar situation. Barr was a sophomore in high school when she and her brother found their father dead from liver disease.

"I quickly came to the realization that my brother and I were orphans and had nowhere to go," said Barr. "That was when, once again, God showed his blessings in full."



A family friend gladly welcomed in Barr and her brother, and immediately began the process of obtaining custody. "I had a new home, a new family and a new future," said Barr.

Barr kept her dream alive of obtaining a college degree at her top choice institution: Indiana Wesleyan University. Since finances were a major concern, she began pursuing multiple scholarship opportunities. In fact, she was named a Horatio Alger National Scholar in 2015, which awarded her \$22,000 in scholarship funds. Barr also received other financial assistance from IWU.

"IWU is where I accepted God while here at a youth conference in high school," said Barr. "With the scholarship IWU offered me, plus the honors college and the communication program, I couldn't turn it down."

Now in her sophomore year at IWU, Barr recently received a Realizing the Dream Scholarship, which is awarded by Independent Colleges of Indiana and funded by Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment Inc. The annual program seeks to recognize first-generation students for exceptional performance in their freshman year by awarding them with a \$2,500 scholarship in their sophomore year based on outstanding academic performance, campus and community involvement, and financial need.

"Because of this scholarship, I can obtain summer credits for my communication internship without taking out any loans," said Barr.

Every fall, the Realizing the Dream awardees from across Indiana attend a banquet where they are publicly recognized for their hard work. Students are also asked to invite the elementary or secondary school teacher who impacted them the most during their academic journey. The selected teacher is awarded a \$1,000 professional development grant.

"I honored my high school publication and yearbook teacher, Hillary Gump," said

Barr. "Not only did she support me as a teacher, but as a mom role. Because of her, her teaching and her classes I found my passion for communication, journalism and public relations."

Barr is currently working towards a B.S. degree in Strategic Communication with a Public Relations Concentration, a B.A. degree in Honors Humanities and a Convergent Journalism minor. She is also actively involved in the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) and John Wesley Honors College.

"God strengthened my faith through hardship even when I didn't know I had faith," said Barr. "Faith is the reason I'm here."

AN EMERGING *Leader* OF CHANGE

From a young age, Sean Critzman '20 dreamed of becoming a doctor. He realized this career ambition would require a college degree, so he set some significant goals while he was still a junior and senior in high school.

He became an Eagle Scout in 2015 and volunteered more than 2,000 hours of community service in his last years of high school. He launched a store and coffee shop at his high school and started a newspaper company in his hometown of Noblesville, Indiana.

Yet, perhaps his most significant achievement was earning his emergency medical technician (EMT) certification when he was 18 – a feat that ultimately reshaped his academic journey.

“I decided to pursue Nursing instead of Pre-med during my EMT-B certification course, where I got to participate in clinical experience in the critical care setting,” said Critzman. “I fell in love with the environment.”

The fast-paced environment appealed to Critzman’s love of adventure, which already has included kayaking

the boundary waters of northern Minnesota, rafting New River Gorge in West Virginia, zip lining in the mountains, hiking along cliffs of Kentucky and serving on a mission trip in Panama.

“What really defined my childhood was my love for adventure,” said Critzman. “Outdoor adventure is where I go to reset myself, and where I can truly see God’s hand at work. In nursing, I get to live out an adventure every day and really explore myself and the life around me.”

With his major decided, Critzman began to contemplate attending Indiana Wesleyan University, although it was not originally his top choice.

“During senior year, my church small group leader made me visit [IWU],” said Critzman. “I took a single step onto campus and I felt something come over me. I was sold. It was God’s divine providence, there is no other explanation than that.”

Although neither of Critzman’s parents attended college, they supported his decision to pursue a degree.

“My mom, from a very young age, pushed me to challenge myself beyond settling for less than what I am capable of doing,” said Critzman. “My family sees that higher education is not just about knowledge, but also about learning to overcome most any obstacle in life in a secure environment.”

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Now as a first-generation student at IWU, Critzman is working towards a degree in Nursing with a minor in Spanish. He is also one of 10 freshmen chosen to participate in a new program called the Emerging Leaders Consortium (ELC).

IWU established the ELC in 2015 as a leadership development-based cohort experience for high-achieving students who are first-generation, students of color or from low-income backgrounds. Students are selected based on evidence of leadership in their local communities.

The mission of the ELC is to further equip the students to be agents of change in the communities where they choose to live after graduation, through concentrated and strategic, culturally responsive co-curricular engagement and support. Scholarship dollars are available to attract strong applicants.

The first ELC cohort began this summer. The 10 students began their involvement with the program in June and will continue until they graduate from IWU.

“Our ELC students are scholars and leaders, both in the communities they came from, and here on our campus,” said Carolina Forman, coordinator of Pre-College Programming. “While here, they have developed an intimate and close community through which they are growing academically, in leadership, social justice, vocation and service. Together, they are engaging in the spaces around them and partnering in meaningful ways to create transformation and growth.”

The program will include quarterly retreats, mentoring by a faculty or staff member, annual service projects and internship opportunities.

“My favorite part about ELC is it pushes me, and develops me in a profound, loving and powerful manner,” said Critzman. “We focus on leadership, service and academics, but underneath all of that we focus on each other. Sometimes it is not about the spoken goals, but about the unspoken benefits that revolutionizes and transforms.”

As Critzman continues with the program, he strives to become a transformative leader for his future patients. He also hopes his passion for nursing and love for adventure can be combined someday into his dream job as a flight nurse or an international travel nurse.

“I love making an impact, exploring culture and living in excitement,” said Critzman. “I’m looking forward to expanding

my horizons beyond just who I am, and experiencing other cultures and personalities.”



Sean Critzman '20
First-generation student pursues
his dream of becoming a nurse.

MCDONALD'S OWNER ANSWERS CALL TO SERVE IWU

James S. Poore II says a guiding principle in his personal and professional life always has been to keep his ear and his mind open to what he believes God is calling him to do.

“I always tell people, ‘Make yourself available to be used by the Lord, because you never know what God has in store for you,’” says Poore, who earned a Master of Business Administration degree in 1992 from Indiana Wesleyan University.

On two different occasions over the past decade, IWU has called on Poore to share his business and management skills – plus his Christian witness – with the University.

Poore served as president of the IWU Alumni Association from 2008 to 2010, and recently accepted an invitation to serve on the University’s Board of Trustees. He also will serve on the steering committee for IWU’s \$55 million capital campaign, which began in July and will continue into 2022.

Poore’s experience with higher education began when he enrolled as a first-generation college student at Lincoln University in Missouri, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in Agricultural Economics.

Poore grew up in a blue-collar family in Shaker Heights, Ohio, but his parents were determined that their children would attend college. “After all of us completed college, my parents both quit their jobs and retired,” Poore said.

Five years after earning his MBA at Indiana Wesleyan, Poore was working as vice president and director of marketing for the largest privately owned bank in Indiana. He also was teaching a Christian finance class at his church, an experience that eventually would redefine what God had in store for his life.

After teaching a class one night, Poore received a random call from a couple in the class asking if he would be interested in becoming an owner-operator of a McDonald’s restaurant.

"I couldn't picture who they were and was curious why they would call me. To be honest, I didn't call them back for a couple of weeks. The callers turned out to be McDonald's owner-operators and, for some reason, they thought I would be a good fit for the company."

In 1998, Poore began two years of McDonald's training and then waited another two years before finding an Indianapolis-area McDonald's to buy. Today, he and his wife own four Indianapolis-area McDonald's, and they are open to acquiring a couple more restaurants as they become available.

The four restaurants collectively have about 275 employees and annual sales of about \$12 million. Each restaurant has its own management staff, so Poore and his wife are not as involved in day-to-day operations. But they still remember the top-to-bottom skills they learned during their training.

"I drove by one of our restaurants on Halloween night, and it was packed, so I pulled into the parking lot, went inside and cooked hamburgers for about an hour," he said. "I try to be in each of our restaurants at least twice a week, so all of the employees know who I am."

Poore was in the early years of his McDonald's career when he agreed to serve a two-year term as the IWU alumni association president and didn't realize how much time would be involved.

"I was really swamped at the time and didn't feel that I gave it my all, but I kept in touch with IWU in the hope I might have another opportunity to serve," he said. "I was honored when President Wright invited me to serve on the board of trustees, and I felt that the timing was right. I've always wanted to do something like this."

Poore also chairs the Pike YMCA board and serves on the Ronald McDonald House board in Indianapolis and on the 500 Festival committee but says he is careful not to take on too many board commitments.

Eastern Star Church remains his primary avenue of community service. Poore serves as an elder of the mega church, which has three campuses in the Indianapolis area. The Christian finance classes he began teaching at the church two decades ago have since expanded into a Financial Freedom Institute with a broader curriculum.

"I still teach classes at the Institute, and I don't plan to ever let that get away. That program is very dear to my heart," he says. "I think the marketing communications that constantly bombard us is a big stumbling block for our kids today. My goal is to teach people to be good stewards of what God has given them."

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LIVING INSTRUMENTS OF RESTORATION

As a fifth grader, Jessica Dudley '16 sat with her eyes closed as a substance abuse and prevention expert instructed everyone to remain quiet. The sound of steel pellets hitting the bottom of a tin can came in regular intervals for what seemed like forever— each hollow ping a reminder of a life lost at the hand of alcohol and drugs. Dudley suddenly felt as if each pellet was hitting her heart.

Dudley is one of many alumni who climbed the stairs to the third floor of Elder Hall every week to study Addictions Counseling. The program, one of only two in the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities, is designed to teach students the biological, psychological, social, and spiritual aspects of addiction and recovery for the purpose of preparing them to go into the counseling profession.

In fact, the 45-hour undergraduate program has been granted unique permission for its senior students to take the Alcohol and Drug Counselor's (ADC) International Exam that is used in 63 countries and nearly all U.S. states for licensing or certification. Typically, individuals must have two years

of supervised work experience in the profession to sit for the exam. According to the International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium, the 2015 ADC Exam national pass rate was 75 percent, while the pass rate among IWU students was a flawless 100 percent.

"Our first two students went down to test and got very high scores—higher than what [the test administrators] were used to seeing, and they were a bit suspicious," said Dr. Richard Hooker, director of the Addictions Counseling program. "And when more of our students kept scoring high, they just said, 'It must be the program.'"

The overwhelming success of the IWU undergraduate Addictions Counseling program hinges on practical experience combined with a Christ-centered focus. Starting junior year, Addictions Counseling students are beginning to work with their peers in simulated clinic situations under professor supervision where they learn practical ways to speak into addicts' lives. They also have the opportunity to perform collaborative research with faculty members.

"We're always trying to stay active on the research side and engage our students in the research," said Dr. Doug Daugherty, professor of Addictions Counseling and Psychology. "More and more, we operate like they're somewhere between undergraduate and graduate students, and they seem to benefit from that."

Senior year, students acquire 350 hours of field placement experience in locations around Indianapolis, such as Fairbanks Addiction Treatment Center. These experiences provide students the opportunity to meet with real clients under supervision, co-facilitate groups, perform research and engage in analyzing individuals' relapses.

"[My IWU interns] do regular clinical responsibilities that are usually done by graduate students, but they have handled those responsibilities extremely well," said Dr. Sigurd Zielke, clinical specialist at Fairbanks. "They've been very well prepared, so they handle themselves with a confidence that you don't usually see in an undergraduate student."



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These types of advanced experiences play a key role in priming students for graduate school, if they choose to pursue that after graduation. For example, the Graduate Counseling programs at IWU— such as Addictions Counseling and Mental Health Counseling— place a strong emphasis on clinical experience beginning the first semester, and having prior undergraduate experience exponentially enhances students’ development as professionals. Graduate students at IWU even have the opportunity to work under supervision in two IWU-operated Graduate Counseling Clinics that offer affordable, leading-edge counseling services to the Marion and Indianapolis communities.

While practical experience is imperative, both the undergraduate and graduate Counseling programs seek to emphasize something much more significant.

“We talked a lot about the importance of meeting people where they are,” said Sarah Limberger '13, an Addictions Counseling and Psychology alumna. “Of course, therapy is a journey of bringing people to better themselves, but being able to sit with them in that moment and being able to empathize with them is huge.”

The theme of empathetic service stems from the program’s emphasis on a Christ-centered experience. Professors regularly integrate topics that are fundamental to being a Christian counselor. Students discuss ideas such as what makes them different, how their values enhance counseling, and how they can bring their clients toward both physical and spiritual wholeness.

“When we walk into a counseling session— whether [the client] knows we’re a Christian or not— we bring ourselves,” said Hooker. “And if God has transformed our lives and changed us, and the Holy Spirit is working in us and through us, then that makes us different.”

As IWU Addictions Counseling graduates enter the professional world, the statistics, facts and practicums will be important; but it is the idea of being a voice for Christ in their profession that they will return to again and again.

“What God has called them to do is be instruments of restoration,” said Hooker. “We’re pushing back against the effects of sin in this world and we’re trying to bring healing to others. It’s a restorative type of ministry.”



THE NUMBERS

23 million

adults in the United States suffer from alcohol and drug addiction.

(The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependency)

1 in 10

Americans used illicit drugs in 2014.

(Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration)

14 times

People who abuse drugs have about 14 times greater the risk for eventual suicide.

(RenewEveryday.com)

88,000

deaths occurred each year in the United States, from 2006-2010, as the result of excessive drinking, which shortened the lives of those who died by an average of 30 years.

(Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

1.25 million

Americans were enrolled in substance abuse treatment, based on a single-day count in 2013, which was an increase from 1.18 million people in 2009.

(Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration)



HIS VOICE HIS PLAN HIS DREAM

The auditorium walls seemed to fall away and all other noise disappeared as Ellen Kujawski '14 listened to the story of the missionary family standing before her. She felt as if she were the only one in the sea of faces that night as she began to feel God work in her heart. Feelings of doubt and uncertainty began to overwhelm her; yet, piercing through her thoughts were the words of the missionary speaker:

“Tonight, God is calling some of you to be His missionaries, to take His message of salvation and love to the nations. Don't resist him.”

That was the night Kujawski accepted the Lord's calling on her life and committed to follow Him wherever He would lead.

Kujawski went on to attend Indiana Wesleyan University where she majored in Elementary Education and double minored in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) and Music. It was during her time at IWU that she had the opportunity to complete her student teaching at St. John's International School in Waterloo, Belgium.



Ellen Kujawski '14 interacts with students at Doulos Discovery School in the Dominican Republic.



“During my final semesters at IWU, I was honestly struggling with the idea of being a full-time teacher,” said Kujawski. “People told me I was good at it and I enjoyed working with children, but the reality was daunting and my heart wasn’t in it. Student teaching in Belgium completely changed my perspective... I realized that I was actually doing my dream job!”

After she graduated, she knew God was leading her to move to the Dominican Republic in order to make a difference in a poverty-stricken country whose quality of primary education ranks 146 out of 148 countries. To break this cycle and provide new educational options to the people of the Dominican Republic, Kujawski and her missionary partner, Jessica Moulding, made preparations to help open a Christian school. Kujawski and Moulding were introduced through TeachBeyond, an organization that partners with schools in over 45 countries.

“The decision to move to the D.R. was a huge step,” said Kujawski. “As you can imagine, I was nervous, excited and extremely passionate about serving Dominican children.”

On Aug. 19, 2014, Kujawski made her big move to the city of San Francisco de Macoris. Just two weeks later, a small group of students arrived for their first day at the newly opened San Francisco Christian School (SFCS). While she originally planned to teach kindergarten, Kujawski instead taught pre-k to accommodate the younger students who enrolled.

The school provided the first American-based Christian education in San Francisco de Macoris. Partnered with organizations like TeachBeyond, SFCS seeks to support the development of students as they grow into godly leaders who will one day become advocates to change their country.

“My hope for my students is simply this: that they would know Jesus more every day, that they would pursue the plans He has for them whole-heartedly and that they would use the gift of English (and the doors it will open) to make a difference in their community,” said Kujawski.

As the first school year came to an end, Kujawski and Moulding began to realize SFCS did not have the solid foundation it needed to be a long-lasting educational center. So, they began to seek out similar

institutions in the area that could serve as a positive model for them.

That is when God orchestrated a meeting with Doulos Discovery School in Jarabacoa, a city about 90 minutes from San Francisco de Macoris. Doulos is a bilingual Christian school that has been in operation for 14 years. Remembering what it was like to start a school, the leaders of Doulos made Kujawski and Moulding an offer they could not pass up: to train them in school planting.

To seize the timely opportunity, Kujawski and Moulding made the difficult decision to temporarily close SFCS so they could accept teaching and leadership positions at Doulos.

“There has been so much value in training under the leadership of Doulos this year,” said Kujawski. “We’re getting a much stronger training simply by being a part of their team and walking through the day-to-day challenges of this year with them.”

Over the next 12 months, Kujawski and Moulding will be taking steps to address immediate needs of SFCS such as creating an advisory committee, setting curriculum, securing a financial base, recruiting students and learning how to become legally established in the Dominican Republic.

“While many details of this next year are uncertain to me, they aren’t to God,” said Kujawski. “I look to God to direct my every step, realizing that this school, this dream, is not mine. It’s His.”

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Friends reconnected. College days relived. IWU's mission exemplified.

Hundreds of Wildcats returned to the Indiana Wesleyan University residential campus on Friday, Oct. 7 and Saturday, Oct. 8 for the 2016 Homecoming celebration. Festivities included class reunions, athletic events, theatre performances, the Homecoming parade and much more.

The weekend kicked-off with a special chapel service on Friday morning that honored Dr. David Blanchard as the 2016 Alumni World Changer. Blanchard is a 1953 alumnus who is a retired National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) administrator. For more than 20 years, Blanchard was involved with design, development, test and readiness reviews of spaceflight and spaceflight support systems for many missions – including the Hubble Space Telescope.

Later that evening, students gathered in the Center Parking Lot to experience Wildcat Spirit Night. The event featured several traditional IWU Homecoming activities including the annual torch run, swing dancing, food trucks, fireworks and the coronation of Homecoming Royalty.

Saturday was a day of victories for IWU Athletics as both the women's soccer and women's volleyball team defeated Bethel College and Taylor University, respectively.

The Gaither Vocal Band, alongside the IWU University Chorale, brought the celebratory weekend to a close with an inspirational concert attended by more than 2,200 students, alumni and friends.

HOMEcoming KING

Paxton Singer '16
Business Administration

HOMEcoming QUEEN

Selena Herrera '16
Christian Ministries

2016 HOME COMING





See page 26 for more alumni Homecoming highlights



VIRTUAL EDUCATION FAIR REACHES THOUSANDS OF POTENTIAL STUDENTS



When people think about education fairs, many do not think of attending virtually. However, online education fairs are becoming increasingly common. Never content with sitting on the sidelines, IWU's online and adult sector has jumped on the opportunity to proactively recruit at such events.

In October, IWU participated in a virtual education fair held by EdAssist. EdAssist is an organization that partners with companies nationally to manage tuition assistance programs and foster partnerships between the corporate world and educational institutions. These partnerships, which often feature tuition discounts, offer great incentive for individuals who work full-time and would like to either

advance in their position or learn a new vocation. IWU has held a partnership with EdAssist for several years. Yet, this year, IWU fully embraced the concept of the virtual education fair. With a newly designed virtual booth, complete with videos, flyers and banners, a team of representatives felt ready to discuss IWU and its programs with prospective students.

The results of the fair were overwhelming. Over 1,820 individuals representing 62 various corporations attended the virtual education fair. Deanna Bowman, assistant director for Corporate and Transfer Relationships, was integral to setting up the event and was on hand to promote IWU's adult and online programs and answer attendees' questions. Bowman said that she and the other three representatives (Ryan Small, Beth Vipond and Keagan Billings) were "slammed" and chatted with over 57 potential students. In a few hours, IWU's booth was visited 223 times and had 153 unique visits.

Bowman explained that many of the potential students were curious as to the programs offered and if their previous credits would transfer. Luckily, IWU's online and adult programs are well equipped to transfer previous credits and help busy, working adults achieve their dream of earning a degree.

"IWU is able to provide a helping hand to those who wish to further their education and career," said Bowman. "I think that is a beautiful and important thing."

IWU'S ONLINE AND ADULT SERVICES BEGINS OFFERING A VETERAN'S DISCOUNT

Indiana Wesleyan University has announced that it will begin offering a tuition discount to veterans. Through this new initiative, IWU is extending a 10-percent tuition discount to veterans who have exhausted their Post 9/11 GI Bill benefits, or veterans who are no longer eligible for those benefits. To be eligible for the tuition discount, veterans must be enrolled in IWU's adult and enrollment services program.

"IWU offers adult degree programs, either online or onsite at 17 locations in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, so that we can help working adults achieve their dream of furthering their education," said R. David Rose, vice president of Enrollment and Marketing for IWU's non-residential services. "We are excited to be able to express our admiration and appreciation for the veterans' service in the U.S. Armed Forces by offering this discount."

The majority of IWU's associate, bachelor's and master's degree programs qualify for the veterans' discount, according to Deanna Bowman, assistant director for Corporate and Transfer Relationships.

"This 10 percent discount will ease the financial strain of earning a degree at IWU for those veterans who are no longer receiving educational benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs," said Bowman, who leads an IWU taskforce on how the University can better serve both active duty military as well as veterans. "We want to honor and serve veterans to the best of our ability."

While the tuition discount for veterans is new, IWU for years has offered a tuition discount for active duty military (including those in the National Guard and in the Reserves), and spouses of active duty military.

IWU has more than 600 students who are affiliated with the military enrolled in its adult degree program.

For more information about the veteran's discount, contact:
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ITT TECH STUDENTS FIND HOPE THROUGH IWU

The recent ITT Tech closure left thousands of students struggling to know not only what to do next, but also if the education they had earned was going to be wasted. With over 43,000 students and 130 campuses across the nation, the closure was a severe setback to many. Luckily, with over 30 years of experience working with ITT Tech students and transferring credits, something not many other schools are able to state, Indiana Wesleyan University is well equipped to offer hope to many.

For the past three decades, IWU has offered a policy that undergraduate students may transfer up to 62 credits into one of the 90 online and adult programs at IWU. After hearing about the closure and the amount of displaced students, the institution decided to increase the number of accepted transfer credits to 90, waive any application fees, and award eligible students a scholarship that

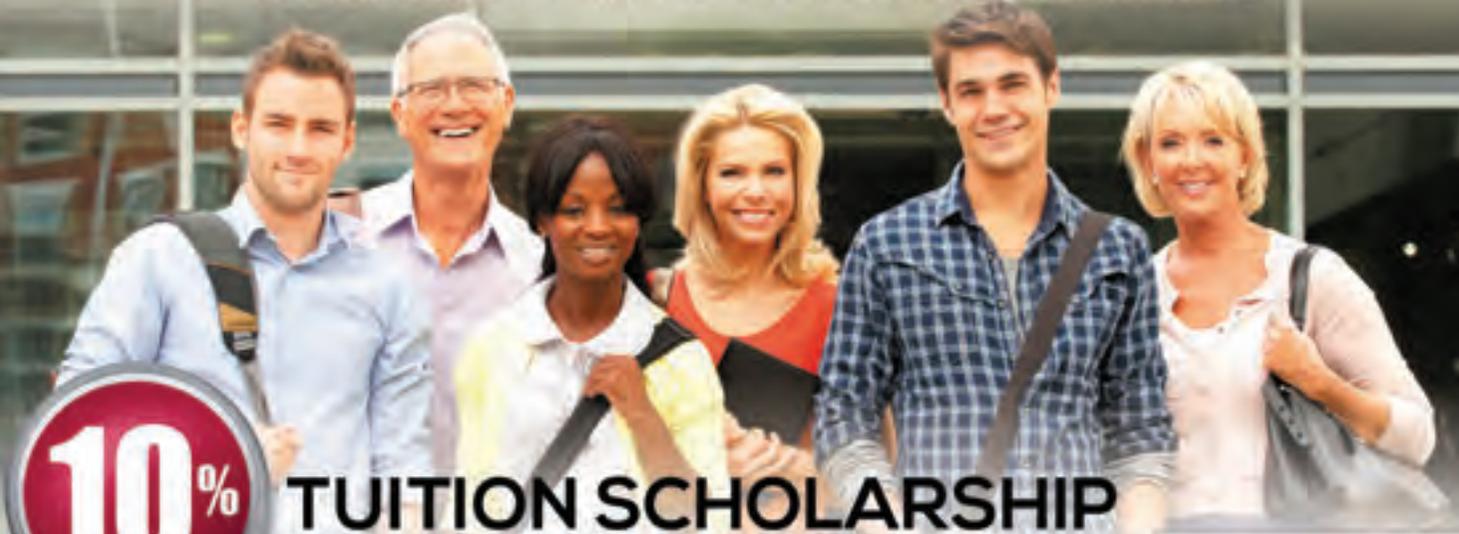
takes 10 percent off the price of tuition. IWU's president, Dr. David Wright, made this announcement at a press conference held at the Indiana State House on Sept. 13.

After announcing the scholarship and expansion of the credits transfer, Wright proceeded to say, "We've been committed to developing the work force in Indiana and around the region, and these are valuable people who have a lot to offer to our communities, and we want to help them in every way that we can."

This came as a relief for students like Diane Taylor who, in an interview with Fox 59 in Indianapolis, said that she refuses to give up and has a message for her fellow ITT Tech classmates. "I just want to let my fellow students know that there is light at the end of the tunnel," said Taylor.

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NEWS & EVENTS



COMMUNITY BAND DIRECTOR HONORED WITH MAIDENBERG AWARD

John Brane, the co-founder and director of the Mississinewa Valley Band, is the recipient of the 2016 Tony Maidenbergl Award for Community Service. President David Wright presented the annual award during Indiana Wesleyan University's all-university convocation in August. President David Wright presented the award commending Brane for his years of community service as the co-founder and director of the Mississinewa Valley Band.

After retiring as the Eastbrook Junior High School band director, Brane created the nonprofit Mississinewa Valley Band in 2000 with the purpose of providing quality entertainment that is accessible to the public. The community band averages 55 volunteer musicians, representing 10 counties. The Mississinewa Valley Band presents three concerts each year at the Phillippe Performing Arts Center on IWU's campus, playing for audiences of 700 to 1,000 people. The musical group also presents a series of summer outdoor concerts in Marion and surrounding communities.

GRADUATE STUDENT RECEIVES \$15,000 KENDRICK SCHOLARSHIP

Indiana Wesleyan University student Ruthann Longcor has been presented with a \$15,000 Kendrick Scholarship. The scholarship provides financial support to those who are pursuing a career in the health field. Longcor is a student in the Division of Graduate Counseling and is earning a degree in Marriage and Family Therapy. She plans to graduate in April 2017.

"Ruthann epitomizes the IWU Graduate Counseling Program mission of advancing the mental health field by sending out high quality and competent professionals to work with culturally diverse populations," said Dr. Rob Atchison, assistant professor of Graduate Counseling. "We are very impressed by Ruthann and her passion for people, which comes out in her dedication to her training, and are excited to see how she is able to positively impact the residents of Morgan County for years to come."

STUDENTS TAKE POSITIONS AS NEXUS PEER COACHES

Four IWU students have begun their work as financial peer coaches for the newly opened NEXUS Financial Discipleship Center at IWU. The Center is managed by The Ron Blue Institute for Financial Planning, a wholly owned subsidiary of IWU, and seeks to be a discipleship ministry of trained student coaches aiding students and the community with financial decision making.

The four coaches participated in training from Aug. 29-Sept. 2, and officially stepped into their roles on Sept. 6. They are responsible for leading one-on-one student coaching sessions, giving group presentations on campus, and conducting research to build upon their existing database of tools and resources. Coaches are well versed in a variety of topics, including financial goal development, budgeting, credit, investing and managing debt.

This year's peer coaches are seniors Griffin Horne and Trent Blaser, and juniors Maggie Holderman and Kyle Barry.

GROUND-BREAKING PROJECT CONNECTS IWU AND WALES

The CPA Center of Excellence® launched a world-leading trans-Atlantic academic project Sept. 19 in partnership with IWU and the University of Wales Trinity Saint David. The partnership provides business students at both universities with a new competitive advantage when it comes to employability skills – the same skills reported in the World Economic Forum’s 2016 “Future of Jobs Report” to be most in demand by employers.

More than 100 juniors and seniors at the DeVoe Division of Business at IWU’s residential campus in Marion, Indiana were present for the CPA Center of Excellence®’s introduction to its online Insight Toolkit customized for students.

Insight uses the concept of anonymized 360-degree feedback, which means that a variety of people who have familiarity with the student will assess the student’s skills to provide a comprehensive, well-rounded analysis of their skill set. This project, if successful, will be the first known international partnership to report on the benchmarking of employability skills.



IWU HOSTS FIRST ANNUAL PARENT UNIVERSITY

Indiana Wesleyan University hosted the first annual Parent University on Nov. 5 in partnership with Indiana University Kokomo, Project Leadership, Afena Federal Credit Union and Marion Community Schools. The event was designed for parents of middle and high school students who want to help their children explore what their path to college might look like.

Parent University featured a series of interactive workshops that aided parents in navigating common college-related questions. Workshops addressed key topics such as admissions, financial aid, academic preparation and parenting a college student.



THEATRE GUILD HOSTS 24-HOUR THEATRE FESTIVAL

The IWU Theatre Guild hosted the third annual 24-Hour Theatre Festival on Sept. 16-17. High school students, alongside IWU Theatre majors and IWU Theatre alumni, were invited to participate in writing, rehearsing and performing a play— all within a 24-hour window.

The festival began on Friday at 9 p.m. with writers drafting original plays overnight. By 7 a.m. the next morning, actors received their scripts and worked all day rehearsing their plays. The festival culminated in final performances in the Black Box Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Ticket sales went towards a freshman scholarship for one of the participating high school students.

Twenty-five high school students from Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, Northern Indiana, Indianapolis and Grant County were involved in this year’s 24-Hour Theatre Festival. With IWU students and alumni, the total production involved about 50 people.

SOPHOMORE RECEIVES 2016 LIFE LESSONS SCHOLARSHIP

OneAmerica, a mutual insurance holding company, announced that Indiana Wesleyan University sophomore Sydney Delgado was selected as a 2016 Life Lessons Scholarship recipient. The scholarship is awarded annually in coordination with Life Happens— a nonprofit dedicated to providing financial support to current and aspiring college students who have lost a parent.

Delgado was only three months old when her mother passed away from skin cancer. She currently works three jobs while simultaneously pursuing a Christian Ministries major with a Global Ministries minor. Her degree focus will prepare her to serve in cross-cultural church-based Christian ministry.

Delgado was presented with the \$5,000 scholarship check on Oct. 12 at the Indianapolis Hilton in front of an audience of over 250 financial professionals.

WILDCAT



NEW FOOTBALL STADIUM CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY

Indiana Wesleyan University broke ground for the new Wildcat football stadium on Monday, Aug. 15. The stadium site is located on a five-acre lot at the former Seybold Park on 45th Street, which is adjacent to and just east of the IWU track and field facility. The new stadium will have a capacity of 2,500 seats plus berm seating around the field to boost total capacity to around 4,000. The south end zone will have a 17,000-square-foot support building. This facility will host a 3,400-square-foot locker room for the Wildcats and a 4,300-square-foot weight room and workout area that will be used by all Wildcat intercollegiate athletic teams. There will also be meeting rooms and an athletic training room. The playing surface will be an artificial turf. Work on the playing field and support building is expected to be completed by August 2017, while the full stadium is expected to be ready before the team's first game in fall of 2018.

PRIDE



JORDAN LANGS NAMED FIRST IWU FOOTBALL COACH

2018 FOOTBALL SEASON

Indiana Wesleyan University hired Wheaton (Ill.) College defensive coordinator Jordan Langs as the first head coach in Indiana Wesleyan football history. Langs, 27, has spent the past five seasons on the coaching staff at NCAA Division III Wheaton. He has been the defensive coordinator the past three seasons and was the defensive backs coach in 2012 and 2013. Langs will begin his tenure at Indiana Wesleyan at the conclusion of the 2016 Wheaton football season.



LAURISSA DALRYMPLE HIRED TO START IWU WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING TEAM

A FIRST FOR IWU ATHLETICS

Laurissa Dalrymple has become the first ever swimming & diving coach at Indiana Wesleyan. The brand new program will begin competition in 2017. She spent five years as the Varsity Swim Team head coach at Minster High School in Minster, Ohio and the last three years as the Irish Aquatics Swim Club assistant coach in South Bend, Indiana. Dalrymple will also serve as the aquatics director on campus in the Recreation and Wellness Center.

HALL OF HONOR

IWU ATHLETIC HALL OF HONOR ANNOUNCES FIRST CLASS

The inaugural class of the Indiana Wesleyan University Athletic Hall of Honor will be inducted on Feb. 11, 2017. The six members in the first class are: Sue Bowman, Marion Duvall, John Foss, Perry Frank, the 2000 women's cross country team, and former intramural club teams the Amphics and Eureka.



SUE BOWMAN

Bowman spent 42 years as a head coach at IWU from 1970-2011. She was the head coach for women's basketball, women's field hockey, women's softball, and women's track & field.



MARION DUVAL

Duvall enters the Hall of Honor as a supporter and contributor to Indiana Wesleyan Athletics. Duvall was a driving force in the construction of the Outdoor Athletic Complex and is one of the most loyal Wildcat fans.



JOHN FOSS

Foss is being inducted as both a player and a coach. He ran men's cross country and track & field, and was the very first Wildcat named NAIA All-American. He spent 29 years as the Track and Field head coach and is currently in his 29th season as the head coach of the cross country teams.



PERRY FRANK

Frank played on the men's basketball team from 1983-86. He still leads the program with 2,452 career points and 1,691 career rebounds.



2000 WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

The 2000 women's cross country team is one of the most successful teams that Indiana Wesleyan has ever had. The Wildcats won the Mid-Central College Conference Championship and followed with a third place showing at the NAIA National Championship, a mere five points from a runner-up finish. At that time, the third place finish was the highest for any Indiana Wesleyan team at an NAIA National Championship.

AMPHICS AND EUREKANS

The Amphics and Eureka enter the Hall of Honor as historical centerpieces. The two intramural teams date back from the 1920's to their final season 1967-68.



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARDS

Several individuals were honored as 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award recipients.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI "WORLD CHANGER" AWARD

David Blanchard
1953 School of Physical and Applied Sciences
Space Research

DISTINGUISHED YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

Tom Cully
2010 BS in Biology/Pre-Med
Herd Veterinarian at Holsum Dairies

DISTINGUISHED COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES ALUMNI AWARD

Lydia Pfenninger
2000 BS in Biology
Physician at Samaritan's Purse

DISTINGUISHED COLLEGE OF ADULT & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES ALUMNI AWARD

Reba Harris
1997 BS in Business and Addictions Counseling
Director of Gilead House

DISTINGUISHED DEVOE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ALUMNI AWARD

Cynthia Booth
2000 MS in Management
President/CEO & Owner of COBCO Enterprises

DISTINGUISHED SCHOOL OF NURSING ALUMNI AWARD

Janice Cotrone
1978 BS in Nursing
1995 MS in Community Health
Dean, College of Nursing Studies, Wesleyan University of Haiti

DISTINGUISHED WESLEY SEMINARY ALUMNI AWARD

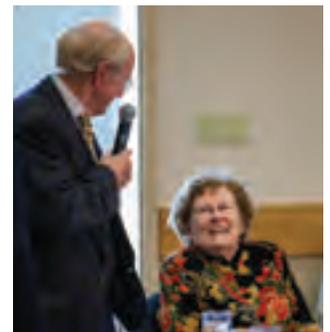
John Bray
1972 BA in Religion
2007 MA in Ministerial Leadership
Dean of Chapel at IWU

Patty Bray
1973 BS in Elementary Education
2008 MA in Ministry
Interim Pastor at Fall Creek Wesleyan Church



HOMECOMING RECEPTIONS ▲ The homecoming receptions that took place on Saturday, Oct. 8 offered opportunity for several classes of alumni to reconnect with one another. These classes were inclusive of those who partook in the reunion luncheons as well as the classes of 1986, 1991 and 1996. A special Shatford House Reunion was also held for those women who once lived in the beloved residence hall.

The event provided a place for alumni to connect and spend the day together. Because the receptions took place in Teter Café, it was a time of reminiscing as alumni looked over the aging artifacts and pictures that now decorate the walls.



HOMECOMING REUNION LUNCHEONS ▲ Indiana Wesleyan University welcomed back many alumni who enjoyed special reunion luncheons during the 2016 Homecoming celebration. This year's reunion classes included two groups of alumni: the 50th/60th cluster (1951, 1956, 1961 and 1966) and the 40th cluster (1975, 1976 and 1977). All alumni participating in this year's reunions graduated from Marion College, including President David Wright '77 and his wife Helen '77 who were a part of the 40th cluster.

The luncheons included class representatives and leadership members who shared updates about themselves and recalled their experiences when they were students. Attendees were also provided a tour of campus and updated on the University.

ALUMNI NEWS

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

1970s

Rev. Bill Kinnan Jr. '73 recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, August 2016. • **Scott Boyd '77** is the County Commissioner of Mercer County, Pennsylvania in Mercer, PA.

1980s

Debra (Stephens) Cook '83 is a Sales Training Developer at Roche Diagnostics Corporation in Indianapolis, IN. • **Jake Gamble '85** is the President of Leadership Support Services, LLC in Somerset, IN. • **Matt TreDenick '88** named Head Coach of Wrestling at Judson University.

1990s

Steve Bray '91 is the Executive Pastor at Fountain City Wesleyan Church in Richmond, IN. • **Rev. Marc Watkins '91** named IWU's Pastor of the Week, August 2016. • **Susan (Hudson) Bray '92** is an Assistant Professor IWU Division of Graduate Nursing/Family Nurse Practitioner Community Health Network at IWU/Community Health Network. • **Rev. Ken Murphy '92** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, July 2016. • **Rev. Terry Canfield '93** accepted pastoral position at First Church of God. • **Ken Gilmore '94** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, July 2016. • **Myron Atkinson '97** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, July 2016. • **Heather Kinnan Semple '97** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, June 2016. • **Alfred Burgess '98** is Creative Director of Albion Associates in High Point, NC. • **Paul Neal '98** is the Secretary Treasurer, CFO of MAPSYS, Inc. in Columbus, OH. • **Kristen Price '98** founded a Hope Recovery, a Community Counseling Christian-based non-profit organization that focuses on adult survivors of trauma.

2000s

Juliet (Jay) Nquyen '02 is currently working at Purdue University as a Secretary IV in the Conferences Department. • **Kirk Proctor '02** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, August 2016. • **Clark Vandeventer '02** published book "Backdoor to the White House". • **James Speicher '03** is a Financial Services Professional at WestPoint Financial Group in Fort Wayne, IN. • **Adrienne Goldman '04** named principal at Clarksville High School. • **Laura Hammack '05** appointed Superintendent of Indiana's Brown County Schools. • **Carla '05 and Zack '08 Working** recognized as IWU's Co-Pastors of the week, August 2016. • **Shaun Cox '06** is an Adult Nurse Practitioner at the VA Illiana Health Care System in Danville, IL. • **Ambria Nofziger '06** is the owner of 5L Studios in Wauseon, OH. • **Jack Bell '07** named Plant Manager of American Building Components in Nicholasville, KY. • **Jared Kidwell '08** recognized in "From Local Church to the Classroom." • **Elijah McKnight '08** is a Bereavement Coordinator at Great Lakes Caring in Plainfield, IN. • **Rev. Brad Wright '08** recognized as IWU's Pastor of the Week, September 2016. • **Joe Freed '09** works as the Advertising Sales Manager for Angie's List, and has also opened his own shop in Fountain Square, Indianapolis, called the Wood Water Project. • **Melinda Meginness '09** has completed a Masters of Arts in Music and Worship Studies at Liberty University and is the Music Director at Sunbury United Methodist Church in Sunbury. • **Carolyn O'Connor '09** is an Live SENT/Esperanza Center Assistant at Heritage Wesleyan Church in Rock Island, IL. • **Liane (Eastland) Vaughn '09** is an Accounting Specialist at Humana in Louisville, KY. • **Duwanje Ladd '09** has been licensed by the Bishop of Pittsburgh to serve as the Worship Leader & Lay Eucharistic Minister at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Blairsville, PA.

2010s

Samantha Gossard '10 named "Artist to Watch" and was named a Resident Artist by the Lyric Opera of Kansas City's Studio. • **Sarah Heck '10** is an Adult Counselor at Fairbanks Hospital in Indianapolis, IN. • **Micah Huber '10** is a Lead Infrastructure Automation Engineer at GE. • **Beth Brawley '11** is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Owner of Life Without Anxiety LLC. She speaks locally and nationally on the topic of treating comorbid OCD and eating disorders and recently spoke at the International OCD Foundation Conference in Chicago, IL. • **Sharee Parker '11** is a Director of Workforce Development at Claypool Electric in Lancaster, OH. • **Steven Renigar '11** is a Systems Analyst Advisor at Anthem, Inc. in Norfolk, VA. • **Aimee Schade '11** received the Milken Educator Award and \$25,000 cash prize. • **Kiva (Mininger) Small '11** is an Associate Financial Representative at Northwestern Mutual in Marion, IN. • **Gabrielle (Ellis) Ward '11** is a Customer Service Specialist at Georgia State University Athletics in Atlanta, GA. She also has a Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. • **Beth (Hatton) Higginbotham '12** is the Deputy Treasurer for Eastbrook Community School Corporation in Marion, IN. • **Sheri LoCascio '12** is a Senior Pastor at United Methodist Church in Indiana. • **Richard Brown '13** was elected as State Vice Commander at American Legion, Department of Indiana in Indianapolis, IN. • **Antoinette Hampton '13** is the Director of Resource Development with the United Way of Greater Dayton area in Dayton, OH. • **Laura (Snyder) McHugh '13** after teaching at the Brook Hill School in Bullard, Texas for a year, accepted a secondary English position at a South Florida preparatory academy, The Pine School. • **Brittney (Stebbins) Wilcher '13** received her Doctorate in Physical Therapy from Anderson University in MI in July 2016 and is currently working as a Doctor of Physical Therapy at ATI in Elgin, IL.

• **Kaedra (Hall) Clark '14** is a 5th grade teacher at MSD Decatur Township Schools in Indianapolis, IN. • **Megan (McCord) Evans '14** is a Program Representative for Indiana Wesleyan University. Also graduated for the 2nd time in August. • **Jan Paron '14** recognized as Extraordinary

Pastor-Educator, IWU's Pastor of the Week, October 2016. • **Gabrielle Engle '15** named Pastor of Mobilization of Overflow Church. • **Robert Henry '15** is the Director & Quality Control at Cook Pharmica LLC in Bloomington, IN. • **Mark Pohl '15** is the Dean of Admissions at Grace College

in Winona Lake, IN. • **Tim Prentice '15** is currently attending Huntington University Graduate School of Counseling. • **Jade Sisler '15** is an Educational Therapist for Elam Alexander Academy. • **Jason Stevens '16** is the new Lead Pastor at Avon Parkside Church of the Nazarene.

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Sherry (Stephens) Boogar, '75
Arthur Butler, '72
Wanda (Brackett) Conley, '58

Ruby (Williams) Connolly, '34
Ruthanne (Adams) Emery, '79
Amy (Rice) Forshey, '04
Madeline (Tamplin) Glenn, '55

Lee Haines, '50
Lael (Jeffries) Littlefield, '62
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Mae Palmer, '49

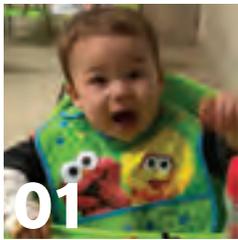
Margaret Rhamy, '93
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OH BABY!

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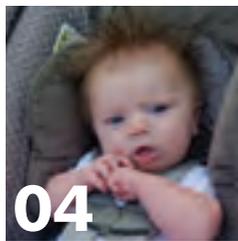
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- 01** | Erwin Hung Nguyen was born June 9, 2015 to **Pascal and Juliet (Jay) '02 Nguyen**.
- 02** | Lucie McKenna Scully was born June 1, 2016 to **Chuck and Angela (Bozak) '09 Scully**.
- 03** | Thomas A. Roush was born July 19, 2016 to **Thomas '08 and Kelli (Rosenbaum) Roush '08**.
- 04** | Gracelynn Elizabeth Vermilyer was born July 20, 2016 to **Scott and Rachael (Bagley) '94 Vermilyer**.
- 05** | Elliot Ann Snider was born August 18, 2016 to **Chris '10 and Lauren (Bogear) Snider '10**.
- 06** | Kayleigh Joy Eastman was born August 23, 2016 to **Jason '11 and Stephanie (Foley) '10 Eastman**.
- 07** | Simon David Blackwell was born October 12, 2016 to **Zach '08 and Niki (Wilson) '08 Blackwell**.
- 08** | Ellie Mae Munsell was born on October 20, 2016 to **Aaron '13 and Jennifer (Hines) '13 Munsell**.
- 09** | Roman Dorian Allen Pohl and Nora Dalyn Joan Pohl were adopted on November 4, 2016 by **Mark '15 and Vanessa Pohl**.

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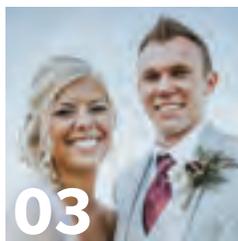
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- 01** | **Megan (McCord) Evans '14** married Joshua Evans on October 11, 2014.
- 02** | **Chloe (Anglemyer) Ream '15** married Jon-Marc Ream '14 on June 3, 2016.
- 03** | **Courtney (Hoekstra) Shope '15** married Timothy Shope '15 on June 24, 2016.
- 04** | **Nicole (Shanahan) Brunsink** married Trevor Brunsink '05 on June 25, 2016.
- 05** | **Brittney (Stebbins) Wilcher '13** married Samuel Wilcher on September 24, 2016.

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He's using us all - irrespective of how we got here - in what He is building...

Now He's using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together.

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IWU's International Footprint Expanding – in Marion!

When I took office as president in July of 2013, one of my goals was to expand the international footprint of Indiana Wesleyan University. We have made exceptional progress.

Wesley Seminary now offers classes in Bogota, Colombia. We have a sister institution in Australia. Last year, we presented diplomas to 77 students in Haiti and the Dominican Republic, who had earned graduate degrees in education and theology. Most recently, we began a partnership with a Christian school in Hong Kong to offer graduate counseling degrees there.

The list continues to grow.

Still, I was surprised when someone shared a statistic that demonstrated how much IWU has expanded its international footprint, not in countries around the world, but on our residential campus in Marion.

Here is the statistic: one of every 25 residential students registered for fall semester classes is an international student. In actual numbers, there are 109 residential students on the Marion campus, and they come from 60 countries. Thirty of them arrived on campus in late August as freshmen or transfer students.

Consider what that means. Leaving home for college is a significant rite of passage for any young person. Add to that, leaving your native country for a “strange new land,” and you get some idea of the hurdles that faced these 30 international students.

But IWU was ready for them, thanks to an innovative program called TACL: Transition to American College Living. TACL, which was established three years ago for international students, is a four-day prelude to the weeklong new student orientation for all incoming freshmen and transfer students.

Dr. Lena Crouso, who joined IWU in 2014, directs the program and understands what it means to move to a new culture. She was born into a Hindu family in India, moved to the United States when she was 12 and later became a Christian.

The TACL program, as the name suggests, is all about helping international students to feel more comfortable with American culture and higher education. The program largely was built by IWU students, both international and American. But TACL is just one avenue of a two-way street.

Dr. Crouso also is charged with equipping IWU students, faculty and administrators to be more familiar with and responsive to international students and to better understand their needs.

“Our new international students are not projects, they are people,” Dr. Crouso says. “They are human beings and this is all about living together, learning together and loving each other. That is really the message of the gospel.”

So why are increasing numbers of international students seeking out IWU? Other than the prestige of earning an American education, Dr. Crouso says IWU's distinctive Christian culture is a key drawing card.

“Safety is the greatest concern when parents send their children to college,” Dr. Crouso says. “Even though families of students may be at different places in their understanding of their Christian faith, it is still important to them that this is a Christian university. They believe their children will be safe here.”

I believe firmly that diversity, not just international diversity but also domestic diversity, makes us smarter as a university. It's not about numbers or quotas or just wanting to look more diverse, we are a better community of people when we are a diverse community.

DR. DAVID WRIGHT '77
PRESIDENT

IWU STUDENT CULTURE



#NSO

New Student Orientation welcomed our class of 2020! We had a blast getting to know everyone with an 80's dance and fireworks before school started.



indwes Introducing the Class of 2020! #IWU



svm.uel Longboards 4 dayz



alexmcCreight Finding a new home is hard, but it only gets easier when you do it with the right kind of people



meganturner17 I live on the cutest floor ever! Evans 2 east, you girls are amazing! & The 80's dance was awesome!!



alexandriaFink Welcome to IWU! We have absolutely no idea what we are doing!

IWU VIEWS

The leaves are changing, classes are in full swing, and campus is looking better than ever!



merrigoetz9 Loving IWU in the fall



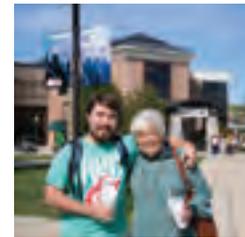
alexandriaFink Jesus will never leaf you nor forsake you.



ellie.dafoe Enjoying these last few warm days!

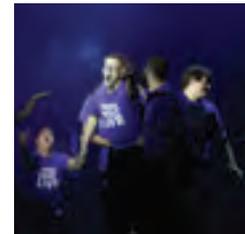
ENDLESS EVENTS

There's always something to keep us busy when we're not studying!



GRANDPARENTS DAY

indwes We hope all of the visiting grandparents enjoyed being on campus as much as we enjoyed having them! #IWU #GrandparentsDay



FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE

mjoverbeck One more show. One last ride. Come on out and support this longstanding IWU tradition!



MEN'S SOCCER

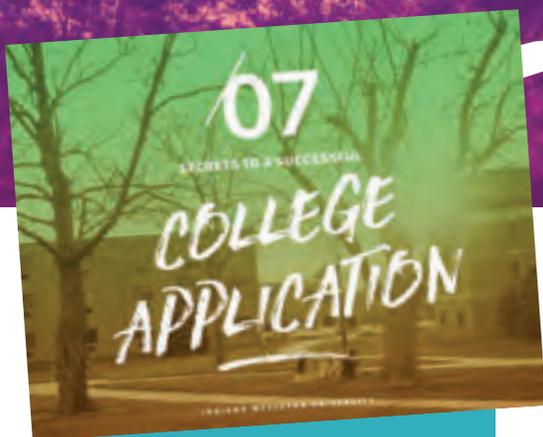
iwuwildcats Men's Soccer Senior Night #IWUwildcats #18teams1program



HOMECOMING CONCERT

indwes Amazing performance by the Gaither Vocal Band at the Homecoming Concert tonight! It is always a blessing to hear them sing, especially when accompanied by the IWU Chorale. #IWUhomecoming2016

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