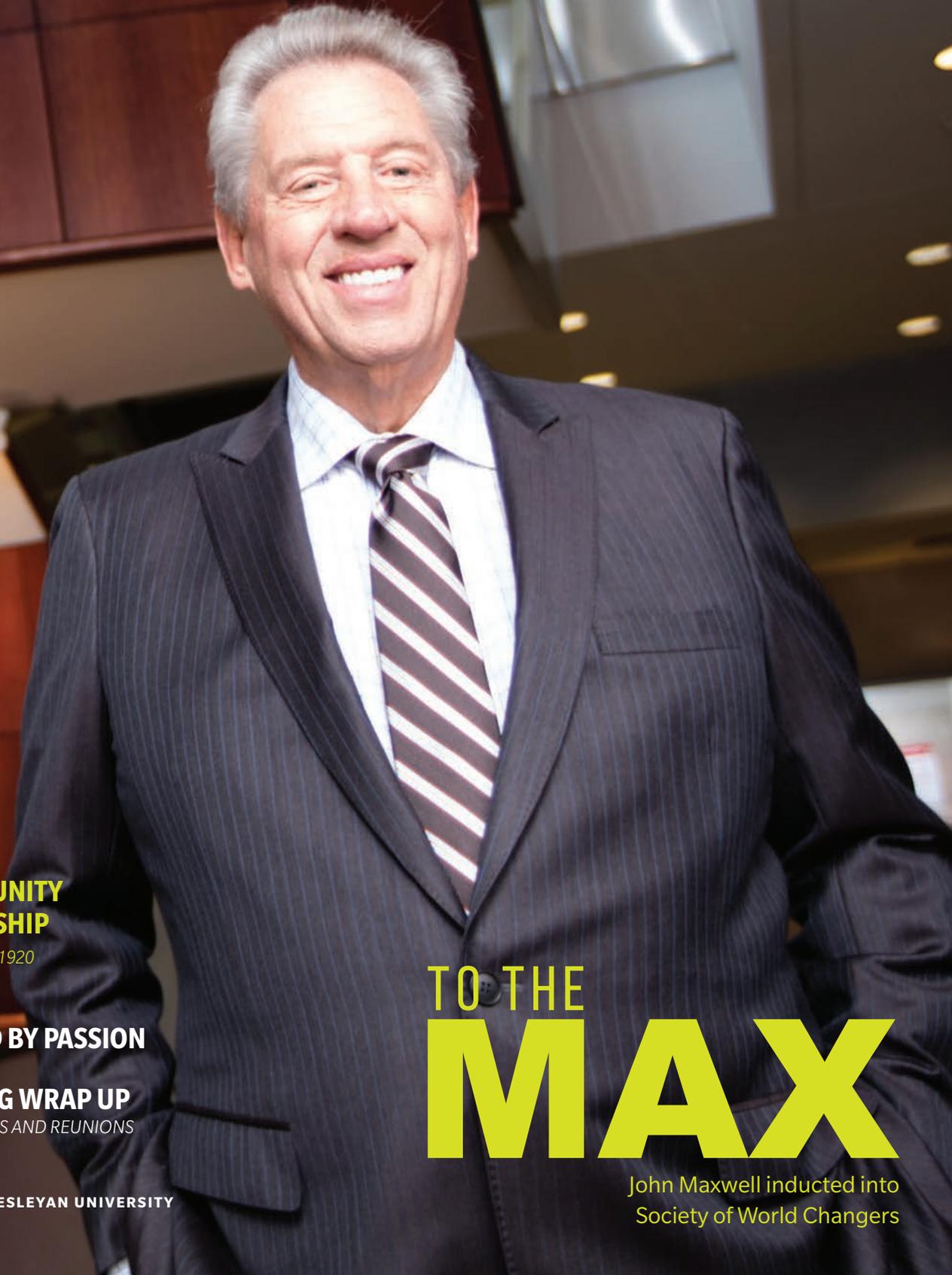


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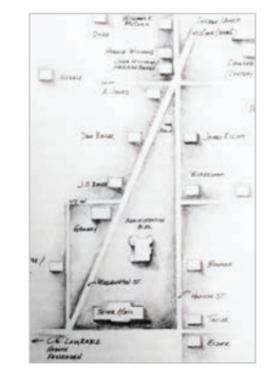


MICHAEL MATTI is a 2013 graduate of IWU and now works as an outdoor/adventure photographer based out of Seattle, Washington.

ON THE COVER



FEATURING:
 The IWU community honors successful businessman and leadership expert John C. Maxwell as the 2015 World Changer.



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

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NEW SONGWRITING MAJOR EXPANDS ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

IWU is one of only two institutions in the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU) to offer a Bachelor of Arts in Music with an emphasis in Songwriting. The major blends the disciplines of writing, literature and theology with the purpose of providing students a safe place to practice songwriting skills and receive critique of their efforts before trying to launch their work into the marketplace.

TRIANGLE SCHOLARSHIP INCREASES ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES

A total of 125 students from Grant and the surrounding counties are attending IWU's residential campus this fall as a result of the new Triangle Scholarship. The scholarship, ranging between \$2,000 and \$4,500 annually, is awarded to students who are local, students of color, first-generation college students, or students who have a family expected contribution (EFC) under \$10,001 as calculated by the U.S. Department of Education from the FAFSA.

CROSSROADS ON WIWU-TV CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

A special 10th anniversary program of WIWU-TV's Grant County newsmagazine "Crossroads" aired on Oct. 19. The program featured a look back at many highlights from over a decade of stories focusing on local people and places.

IWU RANKS THIRD NATIONALLY FOR INCREASING LOW-INCOME STUDENT ENROLLMENT

In a "Washington Monthly" article published in September, IWU ranked third in the nation for institutions that have increased enrollment of low-income students between 2008 and 2013. Rankings were based on each university's predicted Pell enrollment rate—the percentage of students enrolled at a college who receive a federal Pell Grant compared to the percentage who would be statistically expected to enroll. IWU exceeded its predicted Pell enrollment rate by 17.1 percent.

NEXUS FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP CENTER TO OPEN FALL 2016

The NEXUS Financial Discipleship Center is a discipleship ministry of trained student coaches established to help students and the community with financial discipleship. The Center, established by the Ron Blue Institute for Financial Planning, is planning an official grand opening during Fall Semester 2016. Student coaches will be tasked with conducting one-on-one student coaching sessions, giving group presentations around campus and within the community, conducting research, and posting helpful tips for students to walk away with a renewed understanding of money and money management from a biblical perspective.



TRIO PROGRAM RECEIVES \$1.4 MILLION FIVE-YEAR GRANT

The U.S. Department of Education has continued funding under the Student Support Services (SSS) Program called TRiO. TRiO supports first-generation and low-income students, as well as students with disabilities beginning with their transition from high school and ending with their college graduation. The five-year grant, totals nearly \$1.4 million.

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Impacting
RELATIONSHIPS



THIRD GENERATION CEO BEN CONNER REFLECTS ON HIS JOURNEY TO THE TOP

Ben Conner, who graduated in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in Finance and Management, is having a very good year.

In January, Conner became the third-generation president and CEO of Indianapolis-based Conner Insurance. Four months later, on April 11, he married Alyssa Schnitz.

Conner began working at the family insurance business a few weeks after graduation.

"It was never an expectation that I would join the company, but I always assumed it is what I would do," he said. "I felt fortunate to enjoy our family lifestyle when I was growing up, and I always was impressed with the relationships and friendships that my father had established through the business.

"But I still remember vividly my first day of work, June 6, 2006, when I walked up those steps, put my hand on the door and then thought to myself, 'Wow, I really hope I like this. It could really be tough if I do not.'"

Conner credits the late Dr. Mark Richards '77 with changing the course of his life. In addition to being a physician, Richards

coached three sports at Heritage Christian and the IWU men's tennis team.

"Mark had been my basketball coach since I was in fifth grade and, during my sophomore year, he took the men's team to IWU to play a scrimmage game with the IWU men's team," Conner said. "I had never seen the campus, but I looked around and thought to myself, 'This place is really nice.'"

"After that initial contact, Mark arranged for me to return to campus to meet with the basketball coach and the head of the Business department. Terry Munday, who was the vice president for Advancement, drove me around campus. I got the royal treatment."

During his years at IWU, Conner served as the women's basketball team manager, under Coach Steve Brooks.

"That was a great experience," Conner said. "Steve is a tremendous coach. He is a perfectionist, who pays attention to details. That is why his teams are so good year after year."

Conner said he also appreciated Dr. Harriet Rojas, chair of the Division of Business for the way her entire staff encouraged and

cared for students.

"I had some great professors and never regretted that I chose to attend IWU," he said.

Since Conner joined Conner Insurance, the firm has doubled in size, the number of clients has quadrupled and the number of advisors has tripled. The business has 30 employees, and offers both personal and commercial property, and casualty insurance plus employee benefits.

At 31, Conner already is starting to share the lessons he has learned with others. He is active in Edge mentoring, an affiliate of Truth at Work, which pairs business leaders with recent college graduates. He currently has four graduates, two of them from IWU, in his mentoring group.



TO THE



The convocation featured the presentation of a life-sized bust of Maxwell. The bust is permanently on display in the Jackson Library rotunda amongst 11 other busts depicting people such as Frank Peretti, Bill and Gloria Gaither, Ben Carson, David Green and Elizabeth Dole.

The bust, however, is not the only item on campus that bears the Maxwell name. The Maxwell Center, built in 1997, is named after Maxwell, his brother, Dr. Lawrence W. Maxwell, and his father, Dr. Melvin Maxwell. The building is home to the Residential campus Admissions Office, and the divisions of Business and Social Sciences. This summer, the Admissions Office and adjacent lobby were renovated with new wildcat decals, couches, high-top tables and an interactive projection screen for visitors to learn more about campus.

July 4, 1976—the Bicentennial—is a day that John C. Maxwell will never forget. The then 29-year-old pastor was preaching a normal Sunday morning message when he felt



church body in the areas of leadership and laity involvement, and ultimately saw the church grow from an average of 1,100 to 3,000 members. Then, in 1995, God called him to step down as pastor and commit to working full time for INJOY.

In 1997, the Michigan native moved INJOY's headquarters from San Diego to its current location of Atlanta, Georgia. Eventually, INJOY became The INJOY Group made up of three different companies—The John Maxwell Company, The John Maxwell Team and EQUIP—that are each committed to developing and training world-class leaders. To date, Maxwell has trained more than 5 million leaders in 188 countries across the globe.

Maxwell's leadership philosophy is, "Everything rises and falls on leadership." With this philosophy in mind, he seeks to continually move forward in the career to which the Lord has called him. He has written over 70 books—nine of which are New York Times bestsellers. Some of his most popular titles include the following: "Developing the Leader

"Life is 10% what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it."

JOHN C. MAXWELL

WORLD-CHANGING LEADERSHIP

John C. Maxwell, a New York Times bestselling author, successful businessman and speaker whose sphere of influence is without borders, was officially inducted as the twelfth member of the Society of World Changers on Oct. 14.

Maxwell was honored during a special Society of World Changers Convocation. The Society of World Changers was established in 2003 to recognize role models who have exemplified the concept of being a world changer and whose lives can serve as an inspiration to future generations.

"I'm greatly honored," said Maxwell of being inducted into the Society of World Changers. "I'm out of my league."

something stirring inside of him. God was calling him to develop leaders.

"I had never even thought about that," Maxwell said in a 2011 interview. "I wasn't even preaching on the subject, then suddenly I realized my calling was to train leaders."

As he pursued this calling through his vocation as a pastor, Maxwell took a leap of faith in 1985 when he founded INJOY, a company dedicated to creating leadership tools and materials for pastors and lay leaders. At the time, Maxwell was also the senior pastor of Skyline Wesleyan Church located near San Diego, California. For 14 years, Maxwell poured himself into pastoring the church, challenging the

Within You," "Failing Forward," "The 15 Invaluable Laws of Growth," "The 17 Indisputable Laws of Teamwork," "The 21 Irrefutable Laws of Leadership" and "The 360 Degree Leader."

In 2005, Maxwell became one of 25 authors named to Amazon's 10th Anniversary Hall of Fame. Other writers on the list included C.S. Lewis, J.K. Rowling and Dr. Seuss.

Every year, Maxwell speaks to more than 350,000 people about biblical leadership, success and the power of self-development. Not only is he teaching it, but he is also working to instill in himself the very essence of what he communicates to others.



Dr. and Mrs. Wright present the life-sized bust to Maxwell and his wife, Margaret.

“If anybody has ever heard me, they realize that I have been—for many, many years—on a mission to grow and to learn and to stretch myself and get out of my own comfort zone,” Maxwell said in a 2012 interview. “I’m as passionate about personal growth as I am about leadership. And when you really think about it, your personal growth is going to determine how well you lead.”

Maxwell’s passion for self-development goes hand-in-hand with his heart for others. He realizes the world is in desperate need of strong, biblical leaders and has dedicated his life to training and mentoring those who wish to receive it. Over the years, he has spoken to a wide variety of clients from organizations such as Fortune 500 companies, the National Football League, foreign governments, the United States Military Academy at West Point and the United Nations.

“The first thing I do every morning is I ask God to help me add value to people. And the last thing I do every night is ask God, ‘Did I add value to people?’” Maxwell said in a 2011 interview. “It keeps me intentional and focused.”

For both his local and global work he has been recognized by the American Management Association®, “Business Insider” and “Inc.” magazine. Yet, through it all, his aim remains clear.

“Leadership is not about titles, positions or flowcharts,” Maxwell has said. “It is about one life influencing another.”

“EVERYTHING RISES AND FALLS ON LEADERSHIP.”



Q&A

EXCERPTS FROM THE WORLD CHANGER CONVOCATION

Can you share with us a little about “John Maxwell... the early years”, your spiritual journey and your formation as a person?

I grew up in a pastor’s home. When I was five years old, I can remember sitting in my yard and feeling very special to God. It’s a moment I’ll never forget. God said to me, “I love you and I have a plan for you.”

I was just a kid growing up, loved to play ball, had friends. I didn’t really “turn it on” as far as really getting serious about my life until I went to college, and at 17, I answered the call to go into ministry.

You have used your gifts and abilities in several avenues of ministry and service. Can you share briefly about your professional journey?

I read [“Spiritual Leadership” by Oswald Sanders] in my second year as a pastor because I felt like I was not fit to be a pastor... And it just gave me permission to lead no matter where I was. So I started leading and, of course, finished my pastoring at Skyline Church.

But, I was in a publisher meeting and my books were doing pretty well—very well in the Christian community. And Thomas Nelson [my publisher] told me, “John, we’ve done research on your books and two-thirds of your books are being bought in Barnes & Noble— not Christian bookstores. They’re being

purchased by business people and secular people.”

I can still remember sitting in that boardroom that day and immediately, God said, “John, the rest of your life you are going to go to the business community.” It was just as clear as my call into the church.

So, I went back to Skyline and resigned, and it was a major learning curve for me. I went for a three-year learning curve—it was the most difficult time of my life. I just held on and did as well as I could to keep up. But at the same time, I knew everything I was teaching about leadership was out of the Bible.

In addition to Christ, what and who has had the biggest influence on you?

Many books. But, I have been very privileged to know a lot of incredible people. Mr. Tom Arington, a great friend of mine [and former CEO of several successful pharmaceutical companies], is a phenomenal businessman. He’s older than I am and still has an energy and enthusiasm for his work. He’s a 78-year-old teenager. He’s full of life.

Also, my father, of course, in the early years had a great impact on me. John Wooden, the great UCLA basketball coach, mentored me for many years and was a terrific teacher. Every day of my life, I get to be with people who are bigger, better, faster, smarter than me and I just ask questions and learn from them. I have a very teachable spirit and every day I believe that wherever I’m going and whoever I’m going to be with has something to teach me.

What have you learned from failure?

Failure is my friend. I learned early that it better be my friend because I was going to do a lot of it. I think success is overrated and failure is underrated. I’ve learned much more from my failures than I have from my successes. When we fail, we can either learn from our failure or we leave the failure. And if we leave the failure, we don’t learn from it; therefore we’re going to repeat it. But if we stay there and learn from it, it’s a pretty amazing thing. I tell people, when you fall down, pick something up.

I would say to anybody that we all have failures, and we learn from them. But, I think failures not only teach us something, I think they mark us.

What challenge would you give to the Indiana Wesleyan University community and friends?

I have three degrees, so I spent quite a lot of time in school. I would say to you at IWU, don’t miss the God moments that he has for you right here. Don’t miss it. I was in a classroom with a professor one day as a freshman. It was a Psychology 101 class. And the professor gave me three questions that have stayed with me for all these years. He looked at the students and said, “If you’re going to be a leader, there are three questions you’ll always have to ask yourself:

What do you sing about?
What do you cry about?
What do you dream about?”

I want you to know that greatness begins in you right now. Let the seed of greatness that God has for you be planted in you today, and then allow that greatness to be blessed by Him.

FEATURING

STRONG LEADERS

SINCE 1920

Shaping a Community Through Leadership

The beginning of the Fall 2015 Semester brought some academic structure adjustments after Dr. Darlene Bressler, the former CAS vice president of Academic Affairs (VPAA), transitioned to a new role as professor of Education, special assistant to the CEO for Residential Education.

In her place, a three-dean structure has been implemented. The leaders are Dr. Stacy Hammons, dean of Arts, Humanities and Professional Studies; Dr. John Lakanen, dean of Physical and Applied Sciences; and Dr. Dave Ward, dean of Theology and Interdisciplinary Studies. Two of the most important benefits of this structure are that it allows for more direct access to leadership and facilitates more collaboration. Within the next year or two, a new VPAA will likely be selected, but the three-dean structure will remain intact.

“Our three deans possess the very best in leadership gifting, a resolute commitment to academic excellence and a passion for the transformational education experience offered at IWU,” said Executive Vice President Dr. Keith Newman. “Above all else, they are servant leaders who love God and desire the very best for our community. It is a privilege to learn from them and share with them in this season of ministry.”

Additionally, after Rev. Dr. Jim “Umfundisi” Lo, the former dean of the Chapel, felt led to commit to a full-time teaching position at IWU, Reverend John A. Bray ‘72 was named as interim dean of the Chapel. He will serve as such through the end of the 2015-2016 academic year. Interviewing for a permanent replacement for the spiritual leadership position is in process.

Strong leaders who love the Lord have historically been at the very core of IWU, and after 95 years, the same is still true today.



FACILITATOR

DR. STACY HAMMONS

Dean of Arts, Humanities and Professional Studies

Dr. Stacy Hammons has been an integral part of the IWU community for five years and has additional experience at four other higher education institutions. She has a social work background and a degree in Sociology, which helps her to value both the professional programs and the liberal arts disciplines. Throughout her career, she has continually built upon her strengths and hopes to utilize them to develop, value, and care for the faculty and students with whom she works.

“I want to create and maintain an environment for faculty to affirm their strengths and unleash their creativity,” said Hammons. “This includes working with my various divisions to facilitate the development of new programs and initiatives.”



PROBLEM SOLVER

DR. JOHN LAKANEN

Dean of Physical and Applied Sciences

Dr. John Lakanen recently celebrated 20 years at IWU and has a deep-rooted passion for undergraduate research. He believes the experience of researching alongside a faculty member can be transformative in a student’s career, just as it was in his own. The Hodson Summer Research Institute at IWU is offered to Natural Science majors, but he hopes to expand this type of opportunity across the School of Physical and Applied Sciences.

Lakanen, a problem solver and team player at heart, also aims to concentrate efforts on adding a Division of Engineering that focuses on Biomedical, Electrical and Mechanical engineering specialties. He believes it would bring immense opportunity and enrollment growth potential.

“The potential for synergy with our existing programs is enormous,” said Lakanen. “Biomedical Engineering alone interfaces with Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, and Computer Science along with the graduate Health Sciences programs like Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy.”



VISIONARY

DR. DAVE WARD

Dean of Theology and Interdisciplinary Studies

Dr. Dave Ward began teaching at IWU in 2006 and continually seeks to champion interdisciplinary studies across all the academic areas while also representing theological perspectives at the administrative level. Ward, a high achiever and visionary, is a crucial component of the three-dean structure, and also brings a sense of humor to—what he calls—the “Dean Team.”

He is working on several unique interdisciplinary programs, launching dually owned majors and masters, and initiating formal faculty conversations around topics such as racial reconciliation, diversity, faculty community life, and other challenges and hopes of the IWU campus community.

“When I think of the future,” said Ward, “I envision and hope for a college campus where students and faculty form deep and lasting relationships across disciplinary lines, research together, teach together, share programs together, and collaborate in ways that demonstrate the unity and depth of learning Christians have historically envisioned for the life of the mind.”



COMMUNICATOR

REV. JOHN A. BRAY

Interim Dean of the Chapel

Rev. John Bray first became a trustee for IWU in 1999, although he and his family had been connected to the University for many years prior. In his new position as interim dean of the Chapel, Bray believes his forty-plus years of experience as a pastor has prepared him to meet students where they are and lead them in growing their relationship with Jesus Christ. Although chapel is required for students, his vision is to create an experience so engaging that students would truly want to attend.

“There is a difference between being a ‘teller’ and a ‘seller,’” said Bray. “People often resist the teller. I think God has shaped me as the kind of communicator and leader that helps people want to do what God wants them to do. I am confident that He has called me here for this season and believe that He has great plans for this place!”

Tradition
Fueled
by Passion



TOM SLOAN '76

Associate Director of Admissions

For Tom Sloan '76 and his family, Indiana Wesleyan University is not merely an education—it is a tradition. In fact, his great-uncle, Harold Sloan '24, was among the first class of students to attend IWU's predecessor, Marion College, 95 years ago. Following in Harold's footsteps were nearly two-dozen Sloan family members, including Tom's father, C E Sloan '53, who attended classes with IWU's legendary Bible professor, Dr. Wilbur Williams.

"That [family legacy] didn't just happen," Tom Sloan said. "It took some intentional effort. And a lot of it, I guess, was just being supportive of the school my family loves."

For as long as Sloan can remember, he has been connected with the University whether he was returning for his parents' homecoming as a toddler, sitting between Frank and Gertie Noggle as a young kid or attending classes as a student. Now, 40 years after his college graduation, Sloan is preparing to retire from his lifelong career in the IWU Admissions office.

Sloan began working in the Admissions office on August 15, 1976. Alongside

him was a small team comprised of a secretary; one other Admissions counselor, Judy Crossman '76; and a part-time director of Admissions, James Blackburn '57, who was also the sole employee in the Registrar's office. There were no cell phones or computers, so Sloan made calls from a landline and kept prospective students' contact information in file cabinets. When he travelled, he used a paper map.

"In those days, you very rarely stayed in hotels," said Sloan. "You stayed with pastors, alumni, whoever volunteered to take you in. I recruited their kids and developed some phenomenal friendships."

Throughout his time as an Admissions counselor, Sloan has been assigned many different territories including Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Northern Indiana, Southern Indiana and California. He has recruited thousands of students, many of whom would likely give him credit for being a key component in their decision to attend IWU.

"The biggest reward is seeing alumni I recruited that now I'm recruiting their

children," said Sloan.

Sloan's faithful service and unwavering loyalty to IWU has earned him some well-deserved recognition. In 2011, he was awarded the President's Award for Meritorious Service. Then, in 2012, he was awarded the North American Coalition for Christian Admissions Professionals (NACCAP) Lifetime Achievement Award.

While Sloan has earned these honorable recognitions, the Admissions team as a whole is whom he credits with the University's ongoing success and growth.

"Our Admissions staff is amazing. It can't happen without people like that."

As time creeps closer to June 30—Sloan's last official workday—he has already begun to ponder his plans for retirement. Having a passion for IWU and The Wesleyan Church, he hopes to be able to continue as an active contributor to both.

In addition to remaining involved in Admissions in some capacity, he also plans on travelling, gardening and spending ample time with his grandchildren. However, more than that, he plans to prepare his grandchildren for their future education. Sloan and his wife, Brenda '76, have already started a 529 Plan, an education savings approach designed to help families set aside funds for their children or grandchildren's future educations. Their two grandchildren, Landen



Future starting point guard for the Wildcats, Landen Marine (Tom's Grandson)



"The biggest reward is seeing alumni I recruited that now I'm recruiting their children."

Parker and Elliette Faith, are less than a year old.

"We already happen to know a school we'd like them to go to," Sloan said with a smile.

Sloan knows there is a bright future ahead for his family because of the undeniable, unbreakable passion that ties together their love for each other and IWU.

"This passion started with my parents and relatives," said Sloan. "So then once I was a student here, the friendships, the interactions, the spiritual growth, the faculty—it's all of that that laid the groundwork for my ministry at IWU. It's this community of IWU that poured into my life and my family, and we are reaping the benefits."

Tom Sloan's "CELEBRITY" RECRUITS



CHARLIE ALCOCK '89
Professor of Youth Ministry at IWU

"He was just a kid that I just really saw so much potential in," Sloan said. "And we've developed a really great relationship."



DR. TODD GUY '84
Chair of the IWU Music Division and Director of the University Chorale

"I didn't even know he could sing!" Sloan said. "I recruited him as a baseball player."



MEET MILLIE

How does one answer the question,
 “How has Marion College/Indiana Wesleyan University impacted your life?”

It has been my life for some 72 years.

As a young girl, I had my heart set on Ball State to be a physical education teacher; however, my beloved pastor, Edward Smithee '21, persuaded me to enroll at Marion College, our church school. It was a wonderful four years! For the last three of those, I was in charge of the women's Physical Education and Sports program under the supervision of a friend, a Ball State and Marion alumnae.

A small, caring faculty and staff, a few hundred students and several buildings created a delightful community. I can

Troyer built lifelong friendships with many classmates, including those in the Women's Athletic Association. (1948)

still hear the refrain of our school song, “Down on the Old Triangle.” We all knew everybody and close friendships were formed. In fact, I still get together with my “roomies” Velvea Hathaway Bollinger '48 and Betty Barney Lochner '48.

The classes we attended were small, but taught by wonderful professors and we were impacted! Dr. Mary Dodd instilled

in me a love for great literature. Dr. Allen Bowman made me aware of history and current events, even urging me to read “Time” magazine. I am still a subscriber today. Laura S. Emerson helped me overcome my fear of speaking in public and Margaret Hodson gave me a deeper appreciation for nature. Professor Baker attempted to make me and others into



Dr. Jim Lo and the student body pray over Troyer after she spoke in a 2013 chapel service.



“singers and conductors,” which only made me realize I could not carry a tune. Professor Fessenden created a museum up in the Crow's Nest and I learned much by assisting him. These individuals, among others, influenced me for good! I think also of the Bible studies, prayer meetings, special services, personal devotions during my Marion days that opened my heart and mind more fully to God's all-encompassing love.

From college, I went on to an adventurous life. I directed various camps across the province of Ontario as well as in the Fort Wayne area. I picked up my Master of Science in Recreation at Indiana University. After volunteering my time for the Marion College Alumni, I was hired as the first full-time/female director. During this time, I purchased an abandoned, 100-acre apple orchard on St. Joseph Island, Ontario where I spent weekends and holidays building a log cabin home. Due to physical

exhaustion, I was advised to take time off from my job, and so I headed to the quietness of my cabin. It was then that my long-time dream of owning a youth camp began to emerge. All Tribes Christian Camp came to fruition in 1963 and continues to this day—a story I penned in my book, “Look to This Day.” An additional dream was that All Tribes Christian Camp would be an IWU Canadian retreat center to serve my alma mater.

I guess you could say my life has come full circle. Now in retirement, I am back in Marion and living just a stone's-throw away from campus. I frequently dine in Baldwin Dining Hall and attend the majority of campus events, especially the basketball games.

My gratitude for IWU is boundless. Through the years, I have sought to give back to my alma mater through encouraging young people to enroll, participating in alumni volunteer work, leading campus tours, contributing with fundraising and personal giving, attending homecoming celebrations and cheering for our athletic teams. All because I know from personal experience the immense impact this University, by God's grace, can have on a young person who is full of dreams.

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GO WILDCATS!



Millie Troyer spent four years at Marion College living her life as a student to the fullest. While she was greatly impacted by her experience, she also left a footprint on the institution that will never fade. Troyer devoted much of her free time to organizations across campus including the Women's Athletic Association (WAA), women's basketball and the Eurekan Literacy Society—one of two literary societies that sponsored athletic teams and social events.

The WAA was established as a result of Troyer's persistent efforts. The association was dedicated to promoting good sportsmanship as well as athletic activities such as tennis, Ping-Pong, softball, basketball, volleyball, bicycling, ice-skating and hiking. Women were awarded points based on their participation, and those who received over 100 points were eligible for numerals.

Troyer, a forward on the Eurekan women's basketball team, was the recipient of the first-ever Good Sportsmanship Award. The award was presented to the player who maintained the best attitude on the court throughout the entire season. She also was named to the all-star basketball team, which combined the top players from both the Eurekan and the Amphictyon literary societies.

Even after graduation, Troyer continued to serve her alma mater as the “Marionette” athletic editor in 1949. Her resume also includes other accolades such as being the first women's athletic director and the first alumni director. Now as a retiree residing close to campus, Troyer still indulges in the rich culture of the University and considers herself one of its biggest cheerleaders.

FNL Flashback

Hundreds of alumni and friends were welcomed back on Oct. 1-3 for a weekend filled with Homecoming celebrations. Students launched the festivities

Thursday night with an outdoor kickoff party that included swing dancing, a bonfire and a fireworks display. Other weekend highlights included class reunions, athletic events, an alumni art gallery show and theatre performances.

To commemorate the twentieth anniversary of IWU's renowned comedy show, alumni and students performed a "Friday Night Live Flashback." The live show revisited the best "Friday Night Live" sketches, videos and music from throughout the years.

At the Homecoming Banquet, Darren '95 and Nancy (Minnich) Campbell '95 were presented with this year's Distinguished Alumni Award. The award goes to individuals who have performed outstanding service to society, are respected in their community, and have supported IWU in time, talent and resources. The Campbells are the founders of Tree of Life Bookstores, and now operate 16 Christian college bookstores from the Midwest to Texas to Oregon.



2015 HOMECOMING HAPPENINGS



EXCEPTIONAL RECEPTIONS

Class Reunion Receptions welcomed back many alumni, including Mike and Laura (Gamble) Johnson '85, and Todd and Sharon (Fuller) Guenther '85.



HOMECOMING ROYALTY

Ryan Kaufman '16
Major | Biology Pre-med
Hometown | Noblesville, Indiana

Ashley Nirmalnath '16
Major | Psychology
Hometown | Mansfield, Ohio



CLASSMATES REUNITED

Alumni gathered to celebrate their 50th and 60th reunions. Classmates enjoyed catching up and reminiscing over a specially prepared luncheon.



SOCCER SUCCESS

Men's and women's soccer brought the weekend to a joyful close as both teams clinched Homecoming victories against Oakland City University and Lourdes University, respectively.



Leading THROUGH Stewardship

*Josh & Julia Fisher Are
Passionate About Giving Back*

Joshua '03 and Julia '04 (Noelle) Fisher learned about IWU through the outreach of Dr. Todd Guy, Music Division chair and director of the well-traveled IWU Chorale.

Josh graduated with a double major in Management and Finance, and Julia graduated with a major in Early Childhood Education.

The couple now lives in Josh's hometown, Coshocton, Ohio, with their three children: Ethan (8), Amaya (5) and Aaron (1). Josh is a financial advisor for Wells Fargo Advisors, and Julia is a stay-at-home mother after serving as an elementary school teacher for three years.

The Fishers recently became members of the IWU Leadership Circle, which consists of alumni and friends committed to working together to help IWU become a premier university and to keep tuition costs low.

Leadership Circle membership involves four commitments: to give a minimum of \$100 monthly; to pray for IWU and its students, staff and faculty; to promote the mission of IWU; and to encourage others to give in the same way.

"We fully realize that God has entrusted us with His finances, and we seek His wisdom on where He wants us to use it to meet His purposes."

"I first heard about IWU from my sister, who met Todd Guy while she sang with the local choir during a Steve Wingfield Ministries Encounter," Josh said. "That first encounter literally opened up IWU for our entire family."

Josh's two older sisters graduated from IWU. He enrolled in 2000.

Julia, who is from Ligonier, Indiana, was introduced to IWU when the Chorale performed at her church.

"I talked to some of the Chorale members after the concert, and we hosted some of the singers in our home," Julia said. "Then I went for a campus visit, and felt God's leading to attend."

Julia's younger sister also graduated from IWU, and her brother has a master's degree from the University.

Josh developed an interest in financial planning while working as a summer intern at a Merrill Lynch office in Columbus, Ohio. "Before I graduated from IWU, I learned that a bank in Coshocton wanted to start an investments department," he said. "A family friend who worked at the bank knew I was graduating, so they interviewed and hired me."

Fisher worked at the bank for five years before accepting a job with Wells Fargo Advisors. For the last seven years, he has been a financial advisor in the New Philadelphia, Ohio location.

"I really enjoy what I'm doing," he said. "Although my office is in a small town in Ohio, I serve people all over the world. My furthest client is in Egypt, but I have several others as far away as New York and California."

The Fishers said their decision to join the IWU Leadership Circle was based on their desire to be good stewards of what God has given them.

"We've had a good foundational upbringing, both from our parents and from our church family, when it comes to giving," Josh said.

Julia said she and Josh are passionate about giving back and enjoy challenging each other. "We have tried to increase our giving each year as a faith promise," she said. "We fully realize that God has entrusted us with His finances, and we seek His wisdom on where He wants us to use it to meet His purposes."

Josh added, "We are super proud of what we learned at IWU, not just how well prepared we were for our professions, but also because of what we learned about our faith and about ourselves. We really feel we grew spiritually while we were students."

LEADERSHIP *Legacy* COMMITMENTS

1

GIVE A MINIMUM OF \$100 MONTHLY

2

PRAY FOR THE UNIVERSITY AND ITS STUDENTS, STAFF AND FACULTY

3

PROMOTE THE MISSION OF IWU

4

ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GIVE IN THE SAME WAY

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THE DEVOE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS CELEBRATES THE DEVOE LEGACY

DeVoe
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY



Over 500 people attended the DeVoe Event, held on Oct. 26 in Indianapolis.

"This gathering honored the legacy of the late Mr. James DeVoe while pointing toward a bright future of innovation in business, education and improving business practice," said Dr. Kneeland C. Brown, dean of the DeVoe School of Business.

DeVoe, a former Grant County resident, owned DeVoe Chevrolet and founded the Indianapolis-based J.D. Byrider, one of the largest used car dealership networks in the United States. The DeVoe family's generous gift to IWU led to the institution's creation and naming of the DeVoe School of Business and the DeVoe Business Division in 2013.

The event, held at the JW Marriott, included the release of three white papers on virtuous business practices as a result of partnering with the Sagamore Institute, an Indianapolis public policy research organization. The three white papers – "The Virtuous Business," "Financial Stewardship: A Matter of the Heart" and "Educational Innovation"—are available for download at indwes.edu/DeVoeSchool/WhitePapers.

The highlight of the day was the luncheon where John D. Beckett, chairman of the R.W. Beckett Corporation and author of the book "Loving Monday: Succeeding in Business Without Selling Your Soul," was the featured presenter. A common theme between Beckett and IWU President Dr. David Wright is that the ideal of service to neighbors can exist in the workplace. That is also something DeVoe put into practice in his own company.

The master of ceremonies for the event was Chuck Lofton, an Indianapolis area broadcast professional. Since Eyewitness News Sunrise debuted in 1985 on WTHR, central Indiana viewers have counted on Lofton to provide their morning weather forecast. Lofton, named the 2007 National Broadcaster of the Year by the National Weather Association, is a frequent speaker to churches, schools and civic organizations.

A podcast of the luncheon, a video summary of the event, and additional information including the white papers are available for viewing and download on the IWU website at indwes.edu/theDeVoeEvent.

NEW DEAN APPOINTED TO SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES



Dr. Martin S. Rice will serve as dean of the School of Health Sciences beginning January 2016. The School is committed to developing compassionate graduates that are clinically, professionally and culturally competent for careers in public health, athletic training, occupational therapy and related health professions.

Dr. Rice received his Ph.D. in Motor Learning and Control and his B.S degree in Rehabilitation and Education from The Pennsylvania State University. He received his M.S. in Occupational Therapy from Western Michigan University. Dr. Rice has served as professor and program

director of the Occupational Therapy Program at the University of Toledo. Prior to his 18 years on staff at the University of Toledo, he was a faculty member of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Dr. Rice has co-authored a text on clinical research in occupational therapy, has co-authored over 45 peer reviewed articles, and has given over 100 research presentations at state, regional, national and international venues.

INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY OFFERS TUITION DISCOUNT TO IU HEALTH EMPLOYEES

Indiana Wesleyan University has signed an agreement with Indiana University Health network to give IU Health employees in Indiana a discount on most of IWU's adult learning programs in the state.

IWU will offer all full- and part-time employees of IU Health a 10 percent discount on most of the University's online programs or on-site classes at one of IWU's seven education centers in Indiana. The discount does not apply to any classes taken at the University's residential campus in Marion. IU Health has 29,395 employees.

"This partnership agreement gives IU Health employees an affordable way to complete their undergraduate degree or reach for that graduate education," said R. David Rose, vice president of Enrollment and Marketing for non-residential services in Adult Enrollment Services at IWU.

IU Health has agreed to provide information about IWU's adult learning programs and the tuition discount to all new employees at their orientation, and the health network has also agreed to promote it internally to employees in a number of ways.

Adult students in Indiana who enroll at IWU may choose an online course of study or take classes at one of the University's education centers. IWU operates two education centers in Indianapolis and has other locations in Fort Wayne, Greenwood, Kokomo, Marion and Merrillville. More than 24 undergraduate degree programs and more than 40 masters and doctoral programs are available.

NURSING PROFESSOR NAMED TO NATIONAL THINK TANK

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) has appointed Dr. Amy Anderson, associate professor of Nursing, to its newly created Faculty Policy Think Tank.

Anderson, who is the only Think Tank representative from an Indiana institution, teaches in the Doctor of Nursing Practice program (DNP). She also leads the health policy curriculum for all graduate programs.

According to a statement provided by the AACN, the Faculty Policy Think Tank will "provide critical insights into the state of policy education in undergraduate and graduate Nursing programs."

The goal of the group is to inform health education policy in undergraduate and graduating Nursing programs to create a

generation of nurses who understand all of the issues that affect policy and know how to use their nursing expertise in these discussions.

"We are very proud that an Indiana Wesleyan faculty member has been selected to serve on this distinctive list of Think Tank members," said Barbara A. Ihrke, Ph.D., RN, vice president of academic affairs at IWU's School of Nursing. "Her appointment is recognition of the talent and expertise that we have in our Nursing program, and we know that she will represent IWU well as a 'world changer' in her role on this important policy think tank."



NEWS & EVENTS



CHORALE CONCERT HONORS FORMER PRESIDENT'S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The 74-voice Chorale performed a full concert at the First Baptist Church of Tellico Village in Loudon, Tennessee. The church is home to former IWU President Dr. James Barnes and his wife, Tommie. The Barnes sponsored the concert as a gift to their church in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Dr. Barnes served as IWU President from 1987-2006, and as the University's first Chancellor from 2006-2010. The Barnes Student Center is named in his honor.

IWU PARTNERS WITH THE REFINERY

The Grant County Growth Council and Marion native, Shelby Bowen, are partnering with IWU to sponsor The Refinery Business Center. The Refinery is a Marion-based, co-working environment offering entrepreneurs, start-up businesses and students an affordable work environment. Members are provided a professional work environment, free Wi-Fi, printer access and conference rooms in addition to the opportunity to collaborate with local professionals.

Through this partnership, IWU students will have the opportunity to intern for a variety of businesses in multiple industries. Not only will they gain invaluable work experience prior to graduation, but they will be able to take part in growing a business from the ground up.

ONLINE ADDICTIONS COUNSELING PROGRAM EXPANDS TO FOUR STATES

The Graduate Addictions Counseling Program is expanding into Georgia, Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky in 2016 offering the Master of Arts degree and Graduate Certificate in Addictions Counseling online. The MA is a 48-hour program and the certificate is a 15-hour post-baccalaureate program.

The Graduate Addictions Counseling Program was developed in 2006 by Dr. Don P. Osborn, Ph.D., LCAC, director and professor of Graduate Addictions Counseling.

"The hallmark of this program is the success of our graduates, many of whom are now doctoral students, program directors and clinical supervisors," said Osborn. "I have always informed our students that what we are to do is help people with addiction reclaim, redeem, restore and repurpose their life."



TWENTIETH ANNUAL GRANDPARENTS DAY BREAKS ALL-TIME ATTENDANCE RECORD

A record-breaking 907 grandparents were welcomed on Oct. 9 for the 20th annual Grandparents Day. The event is held in honor of the special relationships that exist between grandchildren and grandparents. The day also allows grandparents to experience firsthand what college life is like for their grandchildren.

The date for next year's Grandparents Day is Oct. 14.

"ACCELERATE INDIANA" GRANT INITIATIVES BRING OPPORTUNITY

"Accelerate Indiana" is a \$3 million Lilly Endowment Grant that has been budgeted for a span of five years and divided into several projects that will prepare IWU students to enter into the workforce with confidence and experience. Several initiatives formed from the grant have been in the preparation phase for the past year, and two of them—Experience Indiana and Employer University—will commence in March 2016.

Experience Indiana will be a free, four-day event inviting all Indiana employers, vendors, artists, IWU alumni, start-up companies, musicians and non-profits to the IWU residential campus. This event will provide IWU students with the opportunity to connect directly with employers in their discipline and gain more exposure to all that Indiana has to offer. As part of Experience Indiana, Employer University will provide a time for start-up businesses and entrepreneurs to gain smart business advice and make connections with fellow business leaders. Both initiatives will help connect Indiana employers with students and alumni.

For more information, visit experienceindiana.squarespace.com.

NEW MEMBERS JOIN THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES



The General Board of The Wesleyan Church officially approved two new members to the IWU Board of Trustees: Sharon Epps and Dr. Mark Gorveatte.



Epps is co-founder of Women Doing Well, an organization founded in 2011 that "exists to inspire women to discover their purpose, ignite their passion and develop a plan for living and giving in God's image." She has a background in corporate banking, ministry and business, and lives in Buford, Georgia with her husband, Joel.

Gorveatte is the district superintendent for Indiana Central District of The Wesleyan Church.

Gorveatte served as president of Kingswood University in Canada for five years. He had also served as district superintendent of the West Michigan District of The Wesleyan Church. Gorveatte lives in Noblesville, Indiana, with his wife, Sherry.

MLK DAY TO BE OBSERVED



No classes will take place and all offices will be closed on the residential campus Monday, Jan. 18 in observance of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Instead, multiple opportunities will be available for students, faculty and staff to participate in MLK Day community events and service projects. IWU will also host the third annual MLK gospel concert on Friday, January 15 at 6:30 in the evening. A special choir performance will consist of community members and IWU students and employees.

WILDCAT PRIDE



**JOIN
US
IN JANUARY**

2	1:00 PM	Women's Basketball	vs.	Bethel
2	3:00 PM	Men's Basketball	@	Bethel
5	7:00 PM	Men's Basketball	vs.	Goshen
6	7:00 PM	Women's Basketball	@	Goshen
9	1:00 PM	Women's Basketball	@	Grace
9	3:00 PM	Men's Basketball	vs.	Grace
12	7:00 PM	Men's Basketball	@	Taylor
13	7:00 PM	Women's Basketball	vs.	Taylor
16	1:00 PM	Women's Basketball	vs.	Saint Francis
16	3:00 PM	Men's Basketball	@	Saint Francis
19	7:00 PM	Men's Basketball	vs.	Mt. Vernon Nazarene
20	7:00 PM	Women's Basketball	@	Mt. Vernon Nazarene
23	11:00 AM	Men's Indoor Track & Field		IWU Invitational
23	11:00 AM	Women's Indoor Track & Field		IWU Invitational
23	1:00 PM	Women's Basketball	vs.	Huntington
23	3:00 PM	Men's Basketball	@	Huntington
26	7:00 PM	Men's Basketball	@	Marian
27	7:00 PM	Women's Basketball	vs.	Marian
30	1:00 PM	Women's Basketball	@	Spring Arbor
30	3:00 PM	Men's Basketball	vs.	Spring Arbor
30	3:00 PM	Men's Indoor Track & Field		Anderson Invitational
30	3:00 PM	Women's Indoor Track & Field		Anderson Invitational



Men's soccer celebrates a 2-0 Homecoming victory against Oakland City.

16 SPORTS ONE TEAM



STUDENT-ATHLETES JOIN TOGETHER AT ATHLETIC COMMISSIONING SERVICE

The gathering of all 16 athletic teams at the annual Athletic Commissioning Service on Sept. 20 was a time to reflect on Christ, the Athletic Department mission and what it means to be a Wildcat.

The IWU Athletic Commissioning Service was conducted at the Phillippe Performing Art Center. The service began in 2008.



WILSON AND SOLIS WIN ITA NAIA DOUBLES NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The unseeded pairing of Katie Wilson '16 and Lucia Solis '19 defeated the top three seeds to win the NAIA Doubles National Championship on Oct. 23 at the

USTA-ITA Small College National Championship in Sumter, South Carolina.

"This is an incredible accomplishment by Katie and Lu," said Women's Tennis Head Coach Eddy Shigley. "This is the first ITA national title for men's or women's tennis at Indiana Wesleyan. We are so proud of them."



COLESCOTT ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP GOLF TOURNAMENT AWARDS BELLINOTTI, RITTENHOUSE

Jack Colescott presented Neno Bellinotti '18 and Lizzie Rittenhouse '17 each with a \$2,500 scholarship at the 26th annual Jack and Marge Colescott Athletic Scholarship Golf Tournament, which was held at Arbor Trace Golf Club on Sept. 17.

Bellinotti, a junior cross country and track and field student-athlete, is majoring in Physical Education at Indiana Wesleyan. He is a three-time NAIA All-American and two-time NCCAA All-American, broke the IWU cross country record with a time of 24 minutes 27 seconds on an 8,000-meter course and is an NAIA scholar-athlete.

Rittenhouse is a junior on the women's soccer team. She is majoring in Elementary Education.

Rittenhouse leads the women's soccer team in goals and points this season. She was a WPSL National All-Star and set the Marion High School record with 32 goals during the 2012 season.

The annual event has raised over \$1 million in athletic scholarships over the 26-year history of the tournament and has become a staple of IWU athletics.



IWU HOSTS CROSSROADS LEAGUE CHAMPIONS OF CHARACTER SUMMIT

Thirty-three student-athletes and 10 coaches and administrators met on Oct. 11 as IWU athletics hosted the second annual Crossroads League Champions of Character Summit.

The Summit focuses on teaching the core values of the NAIA Champions of Character initiative. Nine of the 10 Crossroads League schools sent representatives.

The vision of the NAIA Champions of Character program is to change the culture of sport. Its mission is to provide training to instill the values that build character so students, coaches and parents know, do, and value the right thing on and off the field. The five core values of the NAIA Champions of Character are integrity, respect, responsibility, sportsmanship and servant leadership.



BENJAMIN HIRED TO LEAD INDIANA WESLEYAN BASEBALL

Rich Benjamin is the new head coach for the baseball program.

Benjamin was the head coach at Judson University in Elgin, Illinois the past eight

seasons and also served as the director of athletics prior to his transition to IWU.

"I was attracted to the culture of Indiana Wesleyan," said Benjamin. "I really feel a passion for baseball and to help players grow in the kingdom. That passion with the opportunity at Indiana Wesleyan went really well together."

Benjamin has the most wins in program history at Judson with 304 in an eight-year span. He leaves with five straight seasons of 40+ wins. Benjamin led Judson to five NAIA Regional or NAIA National Championship Opening Round appearances, three Chicagoland Collegiate Athletic Conference (CCAC) regular season championships, and four CCAC Tournament championships. Benjamin was named the CCAC Coach of the Year in 2012 and 2013.

"We are extremely excited to have Rich join our Indiana Wesleyan Athletic family," said Mark DeMichael, director of athletics. "We were blessed to have an incredibly qualified group of candidates. Rich rose to the top due to his on-field success in his years at Judson. But, most importantly, what set Rich apart was how he compassionately communicated his desire to integrate faith and spiritual mentorship into the coaching of baseball."

Last season Indiana Wesleyan finished 24-30 and 13-15 in the Crossroads League. IWU was sixth in league play.

"It will be a process and not an event," said Benjamin on taking over the Wildcats. "It will take some time to try and build the baseball side of the culture. With everything Indiana Wesleyan offers I am hopeful we can build something similar to Judson but to do it at Indiana Wesleyan and make it our own culture."

Benjamin and his wife Casey have a son named Ty.

"The search committee felt strongly that Rich was the man that God was calling to lead the Indiana Wesleyan baseball program," said DeMichael. "We are happy to welcome Rich, Casey and Ty to the Wildcat Family."

alumni NEWS

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

1980s

Mark Goff '85 is Chairman of the National Association of Music Merchants. • **Patrick Brewbaker '87** is a Laboratory Technologist and Manager for the City of Angola, IN.

1990s

Brad Hoop '90 is Director of Finance for the Hagerman Group, Fishers, IN. • **Kimberly (Abraham) Sturgis '90** is a Patient Liaison/Scheduler for Visiting Angels, Frankfort, IN. • **Bonnie (McIntyre) Hooper '91** is a Title 1 Aide at Capac Middle School, Capac, MI. • **Richard Snuder '92** is a Global Strategic Planning/Facilities Construction Estimator for Spirit Aerosystem Inc., Wichita, KS. • **Wesley Munsell '93** and wife **Susanna (Downing) Munsell '91** work in Haiti with Global Partners. • **F. Dianne (Lusher Sollars) Shoemaker '94** is a Retired Elementary Teacher from Marion Community Schools, Marion, IN. • **Brian Weigand '94** is a Family Services Counselor for Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Marion, IN. • **Gary Bowron '95** is a Regional Sales Manager for Gordon Food Service, Fishers, IN. • **Renee (Uptegraft) Bowron '95** is a Legal Assistant for Taylor Law Firm, Fishers, IN. • **Kristen (Humphrey Shingleton) Deutsch '95** is President of New Focus HR, LLC., Indianapolis, IN. • **Tracey (Baumgartner) Taylor '97** is a contracted Question Writer for practice nursing exams and full-time foster mom. • **Heather (Brecheisen) Ward '98** has moved to Ft. Leavenworth, KS, with her husband, David, who was just promoted to Lt. Colonel in the US Army. • **Robin (Sixbey) Skiles '99** is a Kindergarten Teacher at North Miami County Community Schools, Denver, IN.

2010s

Karen (Harkey) Baucom '10 was promoted to Instructor of Public Services at RC Community College, Kannapolis, NC. • **Nick Fruchey '10** is a Logistics Supervisor for Kamco Industries Inc. in West Unity, OH. • **Leah (Dykstal) Geyer '10** is Student Development Director for Wesley Biblical Seminary, Jackson, MS. • **Sarah Heck '10** is an Addictions Counselor for Fairbanks Hospital, Indianapolis, IN. • **Rob Pelance '10** is Technical Director at the Historic Embassy Theatre, Ft. Wayne, IN. • **Frederick Park '10** is General Manager of Hana Yori of Japan, Inc. in Mishawaka, IN. • **Caroline Poland '10** received a grant to study vaccine acceptance using the "Preferred Cognitive Styles and Decision Making Model" she created. • **Desiree Stevens '10** is an MSM, CSP Branch Manager for Express Employment Professionals, Littleton, CO. • **Ben Batman '11** is a Music Teacher at Mt. Comfort Elementary School in Greenfield, IN. • **Sheila Chapel '11** is a Manager of the Integrated Center for Education for the Gunderson Health System, LaCrescent, MN. • **Christopher Collins '11** is a Youth Minister for Colfax Christian Church in Colfax, IN. • **Laura (Coffell) Olry '11** is an IT Business Analyst at Ash Brokerage, Fort Wayne, IN. • **Becca (Cordon) Rightmyer '11** is the eLearning

Building Components, in Nicholasville, KY. • **Brittney (Woods) Harris '07** is co-founder of Haelewyn Harris Law Firm in Detroit, MI. • **Kevin Kidwell '07** is Business Development Manager of the Practice Western US for The Lakeland Companies, Denver, CO. • **Sammy Torres '07** was made Chief Sales Officer of the Frisco RoughRiders, a Texas Minor League Baseball team. • **Deborah (Irvine) Pocius '08** is a Paralegal for Rakoczy Molino Mazzochi Siwik LLP, Chicago, IL. • **Angela Dalton-Tibbetts '09** is a Practice Manager III for University of Kentucky Healthcare, Lexington. • **Amber Deaven '09** is a Youth Worker for the Pottsville, PA branch of the Salvation Army. • **Daric Geyer '09** is a Paramedic in Jackson, MS. • **Melanie (Miller) Obremski '09** is a Community Based Therapist for Aspire Indiana Behavioral Health Systems in Noblesville, IN. • **Carolyn O'Connor '09** is the Spiritual Formations Assistant for Heritage Church in Rock Island, IL. • **Missy (Alumbaugh) Robinson '09** is Chief Marketing Officer at the Hagerman Group, Fishers, IN. • **Sandra (Ray) Todd '09** is a Tax Senior Accountant for Ernst & Young, LLP, Indianapolis, IN.

Program Manager for ExecuTrain of Kentucky in Lexington, KY. • **Jonathan Freije '11** is a Grants Manager for Shepherds Community Center, West Lafayette, IN. • **Mattie Hollowell '11** is Vice President of Loan Closing Administration for FirstMerit Bank, Akron, OH. • **Lyra (Skinner) Liechty '11** is an Elementary Art Teacher, Aurora, IL. • **Joshua Johnson '11** is Pastor of three United Methodist churches in the Fairmount, IN area: Grant UMC, Fowlerlerton UMC, and Point Isabel UMC. • **Ashley (Davison) Kelver '11** is a Resident Director at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI. • **Dorothy Reid '11** is an RN Case Manager at University Hospital Case Medical Center in Cleveland, OH. • **Kimberly (Burton) Wernecke '11** is an Afternoon Toddler Teacher at Lansing Community College, Lansing, MI. • **Michelle (Kendall) Whitaker '11** is a Senior Accountant for Terex, Louisville, KY. • **Brianna Burns '12** is a Clinical Database Informatist with Ohiohealth, Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus, OH. • **Joni Gabriel '12** is a Realtor/Broker for Keller Williams in Charlotte, NC. • **Demond Jefferson '12** is a Channel Strategies Associate at Navient, Fishers, IN. • **Bethany Kelly '12** is a Math Teacher at Trent Middle School, Frisco, TX. • **Danny Kindle '12** has been made a senior consultant II for BKD, a CPA company in Indianapolis, IN. • **Elizabeth (Keefe) Leonard '12** is a Special Education Teacher for Anderson Elementary School, Anderson, IN. • **Roberta (Crech) Roesch '12** is an Accountant for the City of Hamilton, OH. • **Parker Terry '12** is Director of Choral Studies for Rochester High School, Rochester, IN. • **Maria (Cantu) Villarreal '12** is the Owner and President of Jesmar Inc., in Brownsville, TN. • **Amy (Rupp) Wagner '12** is a Receptionist for GOD TV, Overland, KS. • **CJ Ward '12** is Youth Pastor for Lighthouse Community Church, Kalamazoo, MI. • **Megan (White) Case '13** is Registrar for Pine View Middle School, Land O' Lakes, FL. • **Clinton Dix '13** is Executive Director for HEAL Africa USA, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. • **Amanda (Chapin) Gootjes '13** is a certified teacher at The Crossing Education Center, Berne, IN. • **Jay Filson '13** is the Social Media Manager at Indiana Wesleyan University. • **EJ Wood '13** is a Community Life Associate Pastor & Worship Leader for All Shores Wesleyan Church, Spring Lake, MI. • **Noah DeMoss '14** is part of the Fall Outdoor Education Staff for YMCA Camp Fitch, North Springfield, PA. • **Victoria (Binkerd) Dunno '14** serves in Worship Ministry as members of the First Assembly of God, Ft. Wayne, IN. • **Amy Harness '14** joined the advertising department

at The Shelbyville News, Shelbyville, IN. • **Jeffrey Leffelman '14** works in Assembly at Lowe's, Boynton Beach, FL. • **Misty (Williams) Malone '14** is Office Manager for Lindemeyer, CPA in Louisville, KY. • **Travis Miller '14** is an Admissions Advisor for Marygrove College, Detroit, MI. • **Daniel Millsap '14** is Assistant to the Constitution Administrator for the City of Solon, OH. • **Maxwell Ntiamoah '14** is a Supply Chain Warehouse Manager for Frito-Lay, Frankfort, IN. • **Sheri (Ashcraft) Rothrock '14** is a Controller/IT Administrator for Cohen & Malad, LLP, Indianapolis, IN. • **Brian Sawyer '14** is an MFG Engineer for General Motors, Kokomo, IN. • **Denise (Harrigan) Simcox**

'14 is an Administrative Coordinator for the Cleveland Clinic, Independence, OH. • **James Skala Jr. '14** is a Testing Analyst at AmTrust Financial Services, Cleveland, OH. • **Marissa (Witchger) Stewart '14** is an Interior Designer for TLC Management in Marion, IN. • **Marcell Strong '14** works in Premium Client Services for Monster, Indianapolis, IN. • **Angelo Trunzo '14** is the Executive Director of Highlands County Homeless Coalition, Sebring, FL. • **Nate Blair '15** is an Outreach Coordinator at Methodist Sports Medicine Center, Indianapolis, IN. • **Theresa Brandon '15** is a Receptionist for the Restoration House Pregnancy Resource Center in Hammond, LA. • **Valdir Filipe '15** is a Cost Controller

for Eni in Luanda, Angola. • **Summer Hoffman '15** is a Cardiac Rehabilitation Specialist for Lakeland HealthCare in St. Joseph, MI. • **Janet (Boring) Hood '15** is Coordinator of Operations and Planning for Advocate BroMenn Medical Center, Normal, IL. • **Tracy (Chamberlain) Leopold '15** was promoted to Officer in the Specialty Finance Group of 1st Source Bank, IN. • **Ken Nelson '15** is a Group Leader of Purchasing for Subaru of Indiana Automotive, Lafayette, IN. • **David Priest '15** is an Associate Editor for C-NET. • **Ryan Spurgeon '15** is a Facility Services Consultant for Cintas Corporation, Ft Wayne, IN.

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

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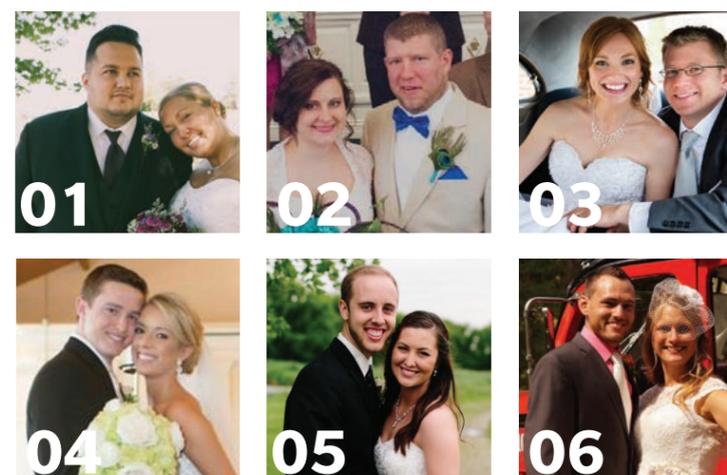
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| FUTURE ALUMNI |



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| 01 Thomas Moore Fett was born January 17, 2015 to Tyler '09 and Brooke (Sweigart) Fett '11. | 02 Abigail Joy Johnson was born June 4, 2014 to Josh '11 and Shay Johnson. | 03 Marissa Mae Lyttle was born June 19, 2015, to Jeff '08 and Janae (Norris) Lyttle '09. | 04 Mikayla Joy Johnson was born August 31, 2015 to Jeremy '01 and Amber (Heltibridle) Johnson '01. | 05 Elias Hodson Alspaugh was born February 21, 2015 to Shawn and Lauren (Hanger) Alspaugh '07. | 06 Landen Parker Marine was born January 22, 2015 to Laura (Sloan) '09 and Cameron Marine. | 07 Micah Jon Sloan was born December 30, 2014 to Chis and Kathleen (Moody) Sloan '09. | 08 Natalie Layne Sloan was born January 8, 2015 to Caleb and Sarah (Miller) Sloan '11. | 09 Ruby Lynn Sloan was born February 25, 2014 to Chad '06 and Kristy (Perkins) Sloan '05. | 10 Sora Allison Masters was born May 15, 2014 to Paul and Abigail (Sloan) Masters '13. |
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| 01 Kara (Willey) '09 married Travis Hull on September 14, 2013. | 02 Angela (Bozak) '09 married Chuck Scully on February 14, 2015. | 03 Kory '02 married Kristen (Markell) Pence on May 16, 2015. | 04 Quinn '13 and Sarah (Richert) Nofziger '14 married on April 18, 2015. | 05 Jeremy '14 and Joy (Wood) Sharp '15 married on May 30, 2015. | 06 Andrea (Voll) '09 married Adam McCartney on July 18, 2015. |
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FROM THE DESK OF
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PRESIDENT



DR. DAVID WRIGHT '77
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MISSION STATEMENT

Indiana Wesleyan University is a Christ-centered academic community committed to changing the world by developing students in character, scholarship and leadership.

2015-16
VERSE OF THE YEAR

God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.
1 PETER 4:10 NLT

The members of our Lady Wildcats Basketball team stopped their laughter and banter, bowed their heads, and prayed for their meal. Little did they know who was watching and what a difference their simple act would make in his life.

It's hard for me to remember a time when our world seemed so devoid of mature, wise leadership. Our national and global leaders seem stymied by intractable social, political, economic, and spiritual challenges. We are preoccupied with what divides and threatens us.

Christian leaders all too often fall headlong into the fissures created by our deep divides over social and religious issues. Strident tones and bellicose rhetoric replace words of hope and assurance in Christ.

In this confusing maelstrom it is easy to forget that each one of us has a role to play. Sometimes we make the best difference in this world when we simply live out our obstinate faith quietly, naturally, courageously in the midst of the clamor and struggle.

Our IWU Lady Wildcats didn't even realize that they were doing this very thing when they sat down for a meal together in Culver's. Not far away sat a young woman and her boyfriend with five kids under the age of six in tow.

Here is her description of what happened:

Your young ladies sat at the table next to us and my young nieces and nephews were very interested in watching these young ladies. I want you to know that we are a Christian family and I am new in this wonderful life of walking with Christ. I started going to church because of two of these young children that I had with me because their mother is a drug addict and has walked out of their lives. I wanted them to know that God is there for them even when it is the worst time in their lives.

My oldest great nephew in this crew of five is struggling with a lot and really thinks that he is too cool for God, but LOVES sports. Here is where your wonderful girls come in. They sat at this table beside us and joined hands and one said the prayer before they ate.

We thanked them for the example they just showed these five kids. I did ask them what school they played for. Before they left they spoke to the kids and my kids were overjoyed that they were talking to basketball players.

Here is the amazing stuff. That young six-year-old that thought he was too cool for God talked about the girls all the way home. When he went to bed tonight he said, "I really want to go to church and learn more about God because I want to grow up and play sports like those girls."

Now this all may seem silly to anyone but the person that loves him like myself to know what an impact those eight young women just had on a little boy looking for his way. I know God surely had a hand in this meeting. PLEASE tell [those young ladies] how absolutely amazing they are and that they made a difference in one little boy last night. So every night we will be adding the IWU Women's Basketball team to the list of people that we would like for God to watch over and I believe that changed the path for a little six-year-old boy.

When I consider the current and future leaders among the IWU community, my hope is renewed. I pray yours is as well.

DR. DAVID WRIGHT '77
PRESIDENT

IWU STUDENT CULTURE

#WILDCATPRIDE

A wall in the Barnes Student Center Plaza received a face-lift this fall and has since become one of the most photographed spots on campus. Students, alumni and friends are having fun expressing their unique and contagious Wildcat pride!



libbyd101 Best #wildcatpride ever



alaskanannie Always fun to stop by IWU and see what's changed (and visit some of the best professors in the world)! Once a Wildcat, always a Wildcat. #wildcatpride



kierstenrae22 Because who doesn't love bacon? #wildcatpride



joshualavender Showing some love to my alma mater, @indwes #wildcatpride #homecoming2015

#IWUGRANDPARENTSDAY



micha_milla Had a fantastic weekend! It was amazing my grandparents were able to visit Collette and I on grandparents day! #blessed #IWUgrandparentsday



bacolburn Day 19 of 100: Grandparents Day! So glad they could make it out ☺ #IWUgrandparentsday #100daysofhappy



mdotgross116 Words can't describe the love i have for this woman #IWUgrandparentsday

TOP TWEETS about IWU SUMMIT 2015

WHAT IS YOUR PURPOSE?

@MANDEYMOO
My purpose is to be a beacon of God's love in my actions and my words #IWUSummit

@TREVJC16
To thrive in the love of God. #IWUSummit

@ASHLEYDUNMAN
My purpose to share the love of Christ wherever I go. #IWUSummit

@ALEXBROWN424
My purpose is to glorify God through every word and action. "He must become greater; I must become less". #IWUSummit

@TSHOWL
To teach, equip, and LOVE God's people #IWUSummit

@MADDYHOVIOUS
My purpose is to serve...to serve with every second I have left. #IWUSummit

@GSOFTBALL16
My purpose is to let go of control and let His purpose drive me. #IWUSummit

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