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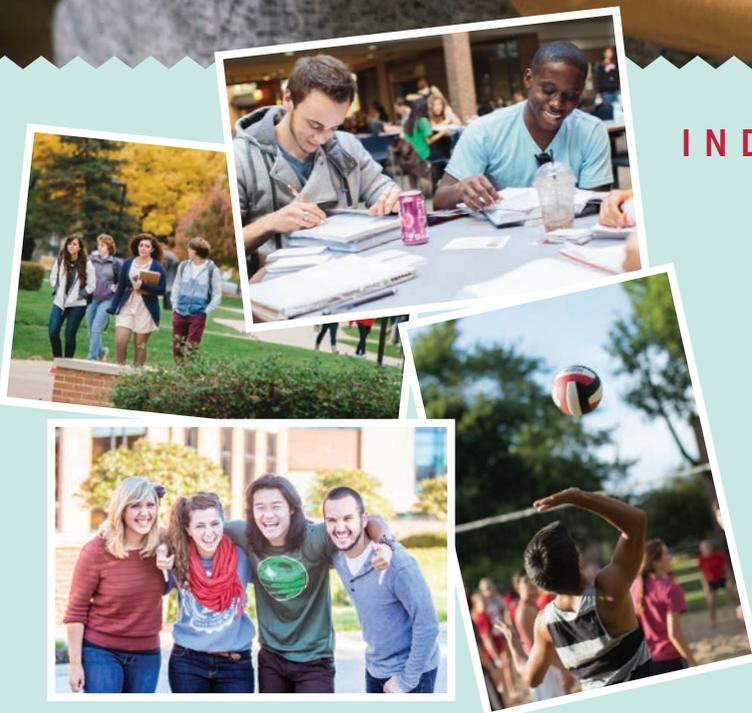
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GRANT COUNTY
ONE NURSE AT A TIME

REALIZING THE DREAM

HOW A FIRST-GENERATION
STUDENT PLANTED A SEED
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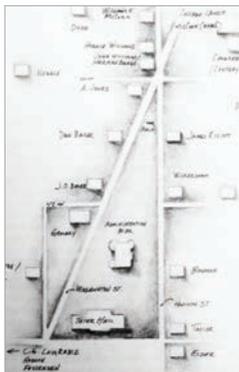
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The magazine name, *Triangle*, represents the original configuration of the Marion College campus, renamed Indiana Wesleyan University in 1988.

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.....IN A SNAPSHOT

NEWS BRIEFS



NEW WESLEY THE WILDCAT

Wesley the Wildcat premiered his whole new look at a men's basketball game in late November. The previous costume had been in use since 1999 and has been officially retired. The 2014 Wesley sports a clean, modern look in a white IWU t-shirt and red basketball shorts.

DR. JOHN C. MAXWELL CHOSEN AS IWU WORLD CHANGER

IWU has chosen Dr. John C. Maxwell, #1 New York Times bestselling author, successful businessman and speaker, as the 2015 inductee into the IWU Society of World Changers.

Maxwell is the founder of The John Maxwell Company, The John Maxwell Team and EQUIP. Through these organizations, he has trained more than 5 million leaders across the world. In 2014, he was identified as the #1 leader in business by the AMA and the most influential leadership expert in the world by Inc. magazine.

Maxwell's induction will take place on October 14, 2015 in the Chapel Auditorium.

MLK CELEBRATION CONCERT

16 JANUARY 2015

Indiana Wesleyan University presented a celebration concert held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 16 in the Chapel Auditorium. Talented local musicians joined a Community Choir to present an evening of gospel music. The Choir included members from Indiana Wesleyan University, University Singers, members from Taylor University and The Golden Singers from Broad Ripple Magnet High School for the Arts & Humanities.

ATTORNEY GENERAL VISITS IWU IN HONOR OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

22 JANUARY 2015

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller held a news conference at IWU on January 22 where he highlighted Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Afterward, IWU Doulos, a student group dedicated to raising awareness of human trafficking, hosted a private screening of "Girl Rising," sponsored by Charles Schwab & Co., Inc. Following the film, various local leaders in the fight against human trafficking hosted a panel discussion.



WEST MICHIGAN WILDCAT CONNECTION EVENT

12 FEBRUARY 2015

Board of Trustees member Paul Anthes, CFO Nancy Schoonmaker and Admissions counselor Heather Whaley invited accepted students in the West Michigan area to a reception at Watermark Country Club on February 12. The event was designed to provide these high school seniors (and their families) an opportunity to meet some of their future classmates, ask questions and learn more about the value of an IWU education.



NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

14-15 MARCH 2015

Accepted students from all across the country came to Marion March 14-15 for New Student Registration. Two hundred and forty-seven students were able to meet future classmates, register for classes, visit the freshman residence halls on campus and attend Wildcat Bash.

BUILDING
A LIFE OF
Faith
A BUSINESS OF
Promise
A MINISTRY OF
Purpose

IF THEIR PURPOSE OR ACTIVITY IS OF HUMAN ORIGIN, IT WILL FAIL. BUT IF IT IS FROM GOD, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO STOP THESE MEN; YOU WILL ONLY FIND YOURSELVES FIGHTING AGAINST GOD. | ACTS 5:38-39

Darren and Nancy Campbell have built, and are still building, their lives on that promise.

The couple, who met while attending IWU, has been married for 20 years, and that passage of scripture has become their life verse. "It is our guiding verse," Nancy said. "We have turned to it often, and God has never failed us."

Darren and Nancy turned to the verse soon after their marriage in 1995, when an Indiana pastor called to ask if they would serve as youth pastors at his church – although both had degrees in business and no Christian ministry background.

While working as part-time youth pastors, Darren broke down and wept while listening to a missionary describe his work in Africa. "I knew God was calling me into the ministry," he said.

The Campbells later moved to a larger church as full-time youth pastors, where Darren took some additional classes that led to his ordination. The couple was struggling financially on the salary of a youth pastor and decided that Nancy would get a job.

That led to another Acts 5:38-39 moment, during which Nancy did not seek a job but, instead, created one.

"We were always going out of town to bookstores to get Christian music and material for our youth ministry, so I started thinking about opening a Christian bookstore in Marion – with a coffee shop," Nancy said.

In March of 1997, the Campbells along with Nancy's parents – Gary and Pamela Minnick – opened Tree of Life Bookstores. Later, Nancy's sister and her husband joined the company, along with Darren's brother and sister-in-law.

"So what happens?" Darren asked. "We open up and non-Christians begin coming in because of the coffee. We quickly realized what is good for business is good for ministry. And ministry is really what we were interested in doing."

Two years after the Campbells opened Tree of Life, they submitted a successful business proposal to operate the IWU campus bookstore. "We discounted the books and items that students had to buy and added other items such as clothing and merchandise that students bought voluntarily, and that is how we made our margins," Darren said.

Tree of Life now operates 16 college bookstores – all at Christian colleges – and is negotiating with 12 others. The stores

stretch from the Midwest to Texas to Oregon.

Best of all, the Campbells are still in the church business. A few years ago they planted a church, affiliated with the Christian and Missionary Alliance, that now has two campuses and draws many of its members from nearby Taylor University and IWU.

"I still think it's kind of weird the way God called me into business, and gave me those kinds of gifts, and then he called me into ministry," Darren said. "It really has changed my definition of what it means to be bivocational.

"At one time, I thought that word applied to ministers who just weren't very good. Now I believe that the Great Commission is going to be fulfilled by bivocational people. God is raising up the entire Church to fulfill the Great Commission."

What is the Campbells' next Acts 5:38-39 adventure?

"We want to plant more churches, and we have a passion for college campuses – and not just Christian colleges," Darren said. "We also want to mentor and help young entrepreneurs start their own businesses – especially in small cities such as Marion."



REALIZING THE DREAM SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENT **TYLER REPLOGLE ('16)** &
DR. NATE HERRING, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF THE CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

REALIZING THE DREAM

T Tyler Replogle ('16) had a very important decision to make his senior year of high school. His grandparents did not attend college; his parents did not attend college—Should he?

Fifty percent— half —of the U.S. college population is made up of first-generation students according to a 2010 study conducted by the Department of Education.

Twenty-five years ago, Realizing the Dream, a program funded by the Lilly Endowment Inc., was initiated by the Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI). Appreciating the great opportunity this program brings to students, IWU's Center for Student Success has readily made it available to students.

The program seeks to recognize first-generation college 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.

"The reason they select sophomores is because the highest percentage who leave higher education leave during that first year – second year transition. And so, we want the scholarship to help reinforce that gap as well," said Dr. Nate Herring, Executive Director of the Center for Student Success.

This year, Replogle, a Social Studies Education major, received the Realizing the Dream Scholarship.

"That financial relief helped me earn a 3.8 GPA and a spot on the Dean's List for the first time," Replogle said.

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

"My senior English teacher was one of those teachers who constantly told her students to pursue a degree of some sort... Without her constant encouragement and support, I don't think I would be where I am today, both educationally and with my relationship with God," Replogle said of the teacher he chose to recognize.

Every year since the ICI launched Realizing the Dream, the Center for Student Success has awarded one qualifying sophomore student with the scholarship to applaud them for their efforts and encourage them to continue their education.

One hundred percent of the IWU Realizing the Dream recipients have graduated with their degree.

Replogle stated, "As I inch closer to fulfilling my dreams, I have realized how privileged I really am. God has given me the opportunity to attend an amazing, Christ-centered university that many students don't have. Being able to make my parents and teachers proud of the accomplishments that I've made has made me push myself that much harder to get my degree. I know that as long as I continue to pursue Christ first, then my dreams, He will direct me where I need to go."

After graduating, Replogle plans to pursue his master's and doctorate in History.



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Growing

GRANT COUNTY ONE NURSE AT A TIME

Carol Bence, former Chair of the Post-Licensure Nursing Division and Assistant Professor of Nursing Education, moved to Grant County with her husband, Bud, in 1982. As Bence became immersed in the IWU and Grant County communities, she realized there was a very strong need for two things: education and nurses of diverse backgrounds.

“Several of the nursing educators and I were noticing that in our profession of nursing, there were an awful lot of patients who were of diverse backgrounds, but we did not have diversity in our nursing workforce. So, we got together and said, ‘What can we do in Grant County?’”

And so the idea for GROW Nurses was born.

GROW Nurses (Growing and Raising Our Workforce) is a recruitment program that supports and prepares underrepresented populations to utilize their talents, attend college and work in the nursing field. Specifically, GROW seeks to serve men, African-Americans, Hispanics and first generation college-bound students.

In October of 2008, the program launched as a result of a \$90,000 grant from the US Department of Energy.

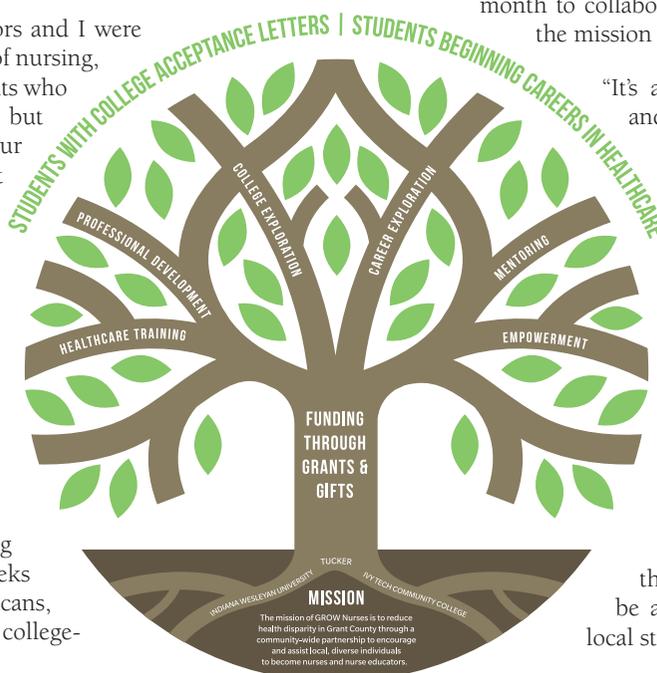
In 2009, the Indiana Wesleyan University-sponsored project partnered with Ivy Tech Community College and Tucker Career

and Technology Center. At Tucker, an arm of Marion Community Schools, high school students can enroll in dual-credit classes while learning specialized job-related skills. Since a portion of Tucker’s classes focus on health careers, Bence viewed this as an opportune partnership to reach Grant County students interested in nursing. Tucker, Ivy Tech and IWU meet once a month to collaborate on how to continue fulfilling the mission of GROW Nurses.

“It’s a wonderful collegial partnership and I love that part of it,” Bence said.

Since its inception, GROW Nurses has raised about \$124,000 in grant funding to implement various programs and initiatives. One that Bence, now the Coordinator of GROW Nurses, is particularly passionate about is the Certified Nursing Assistant Exam. This \$75 exam, offered at Tucker, certifies a student to become a full-time CNA with work benefits. The GROW team realizes the fee associated with the exam can be a barrier and frequently sponsors local students to take the exam.

Senior IWU nursing students visit Tucker and occasionally teach classes. Because GROW also seeks to empower young students to attend college, IWU nursing students have instructed the high school students on filling out FAFSA forms and creating compelling resumes.





One woman's passion

PLANTED THE SEEDS

to a program that is already changing the future of Grant County.



"I want to encourage them [Tucker students] to push through their own barriers and become more than they ever thought possible," said senior IWU nursing student Tracy Tiernon.

GROW has also started initiating programs with eighth grade students at McCullough Middle School in Marion. Ivy Tech and IWU take turns each semester inviting the eighth graders to their nursing simulation labs and engaging them with hands-on activities such as cardio pulmonary resuscitation and pediatric scenarios.

"It helps at an earlier age, when they're just starting to make their career plans, to kind of get them thinking about nursing," Bence said.

In addition to programs, Bence and her colleagues take time to individually

mentor the 50 Tucker students each semester in order to answer any questions they have about college and nursing.

The immediate goals of GROW are to simply encourage Grant County students to consider pursuing a career in nursing, to empower them to attend the college of their choice, and to enable them to financially and academically plan for college.

Bence stated, "I hope that GROW Nurses might be able to change the 'might have beens,' to 'it is.' That's my passion."

In December, Bence saw one of her first Tucker students, Tyanne Brewer, graduate from IWU with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

GROW plans to apply for a grant that would allow them to track all students who have been a part of the program to continue to serve and encourage them while they complete their degrees.

"To me, if you can change a student's focus, you can break some of the cycles. We can transform our community," Bence said. "And again, it's not a huge number, but I think that's what changing the world is. Changing the world that's in front of you, seeing what might be and then trying to make it happen."



TYANNE BREWER

was one of the first Tucker students to graduate from IWU with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree.

GROW NURSES



UNIQUELY
Created
UNIQUELY
Called

“God has created us with a purpose in mind. So, part of the SLCIL is simply helping a student realize they don’t have to fit in a box. That they have been equipped for something unique.”

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hundreds of students begin classes at Indiana Wesleyan University with an exceptionally valuable resource at their fingertips.

The School of Life Calling and Integrative Learning (SLCIL), located on the second floor of the Barnes Student Center, provides students with the tools necessary to discover their God-given talents, evaluate their strengths and determine their unique life calling. Because this mission goes well beyond choosing a major, the SLCIL makes the Life Calling Program available to all residential students as a way to aid them from the very beginning in solidifying an overarching life pursuit in which they can use their unique skills, passions and experiences to change the world.

The Life Calling Program offers an Introduction to Life Calling class that provides a comprehensive view of the life calling concept. The course is required for every pre-declared student, but all students are encouraged to take it.

“The course is not only for students who are searching for the right majors... We also help students seek calling within their chosen major as they search for the right fit of job,” said Associate Dean of the SLCIL Dr. Brandon Hill.

The Life Calling Conceptual Model plays a central role in the Life Calling class. This model, with Christ at the center, combines Foundational Values, Unique Design and Personal Leadership as codependent components of finding one’s life calling.

“[All three components] are pieces of a puzzle. It’s not a magic formula to tell you what you should be. We look at their experiences and what God has put in their life to help direct them. When you step back and look at it, you can see some sort of pathway,” Director of Life Coaching Jackie Stancil said.

By integrating all three components into the course’s curriculum, students take various personal assessments, like the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator®, Strengths Quest®, and the Intrinsic Motivation Assessment & Evaluation®, which provide an objective outline of personality and strengths. The class also encourages students to determine their unique experiences, values and gifts in order to identify their passions.

According to Stancil, “If something is tugging at your heart, there’s a purpose for that.”

In conjunction with its Life Calling class, the Life Calling Program offers life coaching, a highly developed program unique to IWU. There are three trained and certified life coaches on staff who work with students to enable them to discover who they want to be. Life coaching is offered to any student who desires it.

“Our job is to ask questions, give them tools, walk with them and help them discover resources to get to the answers they need. And I think that’s hugely empowering to a student to learn to look at themselves, look at their resources and work through a problem,” Stancil said.

Through the Life Calling course and life coaching sessions, the Life Calling Program encourages students with the notion that a major is simply a step into their life calling. In other words, a life calling can be fulfilled in many different arenas. It is not about where somebody is; it’s about what they are doing.

Stancil said, “God has created us with a purpose in mind. So, part of the SLCIL is simply helping a student realize they don’t have to fit in a box. They have been equipped for something unique.”



LIFE CALLING MODEL by Dr. Bill Millard
The model illustrates three main components: Foundational Values, Unique Design and Personal Leadership. Each plays an integral part in the programs offered by the School of Life Calling and Integrative Learning.

"I'm called to this job.
I'm changing the world...
and I'm changing the world
inside each of my kids."



A FATHER *to the* FATHERLESS

Clouds loomed above as he ambled along the wooded trail he and his dad used to walk. Thoughts tumbled through his brain; raindrops slid down his face. He was sure. He was going to kill himself.

That was Erik Longenecker ('11) on October 17, 2004. For about 10 years, the fourteen-year-old had been trying to cope with the loss of his suicidal father. That day when he was genuinely contemplating ending his life, a box hidden in the brush caught his eye. He broke it open with a rock to find three letters from his deceased father. "Please, son, let your mother teach you about Jesus," read one of the letters.

"That was a pivotal moment," Longenecker said. "I realized there was more to this than meets the eye. It completely transformed my life."

Four years later, he attended Indiana Wesleyan University, although he was unsure what he wanted to study. One night while at the Circle K gas station near campus, he noticed a giggling, little girl looking up at him.

"That was when it hit me and I realized I had a gift for connecting with little kids," Longenecker said.

Longenecker spent the rest of his time at IWU studying Elementary Education and Special Education. In his free time, he began fundraising for fun. He met one woman in particular whose husband had lost his job, and the family could not pay their mortgage.

"The Lord knocked on my heart to go around and collect money for her family," Longenecker recalled.

By the end of the weekend, Longenecker had collected a total of \$3,500 for the woman and her family.

"Through that experience, I realized I loved outreach," Longenecker said.

Longenecker went on to become the student body outreach coordinator at IWU and was responsible for developing ministry outreach opportunities within the community. Longenecker made it his mission to encourage every residence hall coordinator to have an outreach agency, like

the Boys and Girls Club, at which they would volunteer once a week. There were a total of 15 events every week where IWU students could break outside the "IWU Bubble" to be the hands and feet of Christ.

Through his fundraising efforts, classes and various activities on campus, Longenecker bonded with several IWU faculty members including Dr. Jim Lo, currently Dean of the Chapel; Dr. Jim Elsberry, currently Associate Dean of Education; and Brian Israel, currently Director of Information Technology Infrastructure. Each one became close to him, invested in him and filled the father figure role he was so desperately missing.

"My life sentence is to be a father to the fatherless. All the men that stood up for me, that's what I want to be for others," Longenecker said.

After student teaching in Budapest, Hungary, Longenecker graduated from IWU and married Ashley Clark ('11). He found a permanent job while interviewing for a temporary position at Deer Run Elementary School in Indianapolis. By chance, the superintendent stopped by the interview, became quickly impressed with Longenecker's heart and offered him a full-time position on the spot.

Longenecker now teaches fifth grade at the same school. His heart for outreach and his mission to be a father to the fatherless are distinctly apparent in his classroom. Knowing that he may be the only positive role model in some of his students' lives, Longenecker seeks to create a classroom environment that exemplifies the love of Christ. Every Thursday after school hours, he even steps outside the classroom to play basketball with a group of boys from his class.

"It's just like outreach, it's just in a classroom setting. It's my pulpit," Longenecker said. "It's one of the most rewarding things I could do with my life."

While Longenecker admits to having some very difficult days in the classroom, he knows the rewards are far greater.

"I'm called to this job. I'm changing the world... and I'm changing the world inside each of my kids."



CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM



Practice their English with IWU students

Participate in cultural activities

Visit major U.S. cities and landmarks

Participate in some of the campus traditions, including the famous "Bowman Boat Race."





Students FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

INTERNATIONAL INITIATIVE CONTINUES TO ENHANCE RESIDENTIAL CAMPUS COMMUNITY

"**S**omething really special happens when two people from different cultures and different parts of the world come together in a learning environment. It really enhances both students, and it really enhances a classroom," said Director of Global Engagement Dr. Jim Vermilya.

International students make up an integral part of the IWU residential community. These students bring qualities like new perspectives, unique ideas and varying cultures to the academic setting that are invaluable. Recognizing this, Vermilya has been working with faculty and staff on an International Student Initiative that seeks to enhance current student retention efforts while also expanding student recruitment efforts to strategic locations around the globe.

While IWU hopes for students from all across the world, the International Initiative is narrowing recruitment efforts to focus on China, India and South Korea. These countries are the top three countries in the world that send college students abroad. To reach these countries, IWU faculty and staff representatives have begun visiting schools and churches in these locations, working with recruiters who have expertise in these locations and developing English language programs that connect current students with prospective students from these locations.

Part of the growing International Initiative involves Bowman House built in 1968. Bowman has been designated as housing for some of these International Student Initiative programs and will be repurposed to serve a new generation of IWU students.

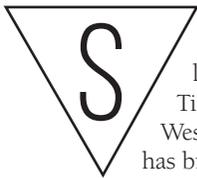
One of the larger International Student Initiative programs, the Cultural Immersion Program, hosts Chinese high school students on IWU's Marion campus for a two-week period in the summer. During that time, the students practice their English with IWU students, participate in cultural activities, and visit major U.S. cities and landmarks. The students also learn about the IWU culture and even participate in some of the campus traditions, including the famous "Bowman Boat Race." The program has existed since 2013, and now the University is starting to see some of those Chinese students apply to attend IWU as a college student.

Vermilya recognizes that the International Student Initiative goes far beyond the Global Engagement Office. He says, "We want to be part of the University's vision of becoming a more diverse and globally focused learning community."

Due to a shift in utilization of various halls, Bowman has become an available resource for the International Initiative and its programs. The residence hall may also be utilized for short-term graduate student housing. In both instances, Bowman's location, configuration and size provide the ideal opportunity to pioneer innovative initiatives.

"Our goal is to utilize all residence halls to their fullest potential. Having Bowman House available creates the opportunity to explore new initiatives that could have a unique and meaningful impact on our campus. This isn't to say Bowman House will never return to how it was used for the last 47 years, but rather for this moment in time we have an opportunity to explore new ideas," said John Jones, Vice President for Operations.

BRICK BY BRICK



ix generations, an old building and a few lots of land have intertwined Colleen Titus Harrigan and Indiana Wesleyan University in a way that has brought history full circle.

Harrigan, now 95, had not yet been born when her handyman grandfather, John Wilson Thalls, volunteered in 1900 to help build Teter Hall, Marion Normal College's third building. Teter sat next to the admissions building (now John Wesley Administration Building) and served as the cafeteria, women's dormitory, library and music conservatory.

Around 1909, Thalls and his wife, Harriett, obtained a large piece of property near South Washington Street in Marion, Indiana just across the road from where Teter sat.

When Thalls and his wife passed, their land was divided and each of their living children received seven property lots. The lots stretched from 44th Street to 43rd Street and from Carey Street to where the Bypass is today.

Harrigan's mother, Lula Thalls Titus, was one of those children.

"None of [the siblings] kept [their properties] very long, but my parents held onto them

and Tituses have lived on this property for close to 100 years now," Harrigan said as she sat in the kitchen of her 1970's home.

That piece of land has been home in some manner to six generations: Harrigan's grandparents, Harrigan's parents, Harrigan and her five siblings, Harrigan's three daughters (Marsha Curtis, Janet Davis and Dee Dee Wiecking), Harrigan's grandchildren and Harrigan's 12 great-grandchildren.

In July 2014, Harrigan and her family sold IWU four of the lots behind her house.

Soon thereafter in October 2014, Harrigan and her family again approached IWU. This time they wanted to sell the remaining lot and the house Harrigan is currently living in. The University purchased this second acquisition under the condition that Harrigan could remain living in the house for as long as she desires.

This land completed the original triangular section of University property (fondly named "The Triangle") that once held Teter Hall.

"In a way, I was reluctant to sell it, but I thought 'As old as I am... I can't resist because I can live here until either I pass or I can't take care of myself,'" Harrigan said.

However, that is not the only reason

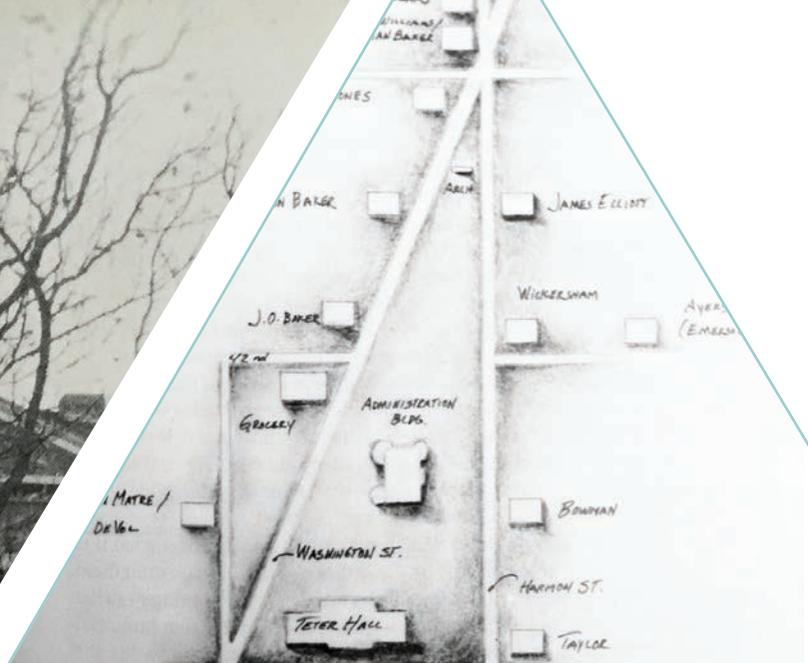
Harrigan agreed to the arrangement. Harrigan had a great-grandchild, Dallas Davis, enrolled at the University whom she wanted to see graduate before she left the property.

In a moment of great loss for Harrigan's family and for the University, Dallas passed away in a single-vehicle car accident this winter three months after Harrigan sold the property, and just 15 months before he would have graduated.

"That was one of the big reasons [Harrigan] wanted to stay here. She wanted Dallas to graduate from college before she did anything," Harrigan's youngest daughter, Dee Dee Wiecking, said.

While Harrigan will not have the opportunity to see Dallas walk across the stage to receive his diploma, she will see IWU present a posthumous degree in Dallas' honor at the April 2015 commencement.

The honorary diploma and the deed to the property tie together some threads of the past with those of the future. Brick by brick, generation by generation, Harrigan and her family have built a strong foundation and will always be a part of the mortar that holds together the IWU community.



▼ Harrigan's grandmother, aunts and uncles pose for a photo not knowing then that Teter Hall, the original Triangle and Dallas Davis would all become part of a common thread that weaves its way through IWU's history.



INNOVATIVE MBA PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING

OFFERED BY THE DEVOE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

An innovative degree program — one of a handful of its kind in the country — has just been launched as a result of the partnership with the Ron Blue Institute. The Master of Business Administration in Personal Financial Planning (MBA-PFP) allows Certified Financial Planners (CFP) to complete an MBA by completing just seven (for Kingdom Advisors) or eight additional courses. Those who are not Certified Financial Planners can complete the program and meet the educational eligibility requirements to sit for the CFP exam.

“The MBA in PFP provides graduate-level core MBA training along with preparation courses that meet the educational requirements of the CFP exam,” says Dr. Jeffrey Boyce, Assistant Dean of IWU’s DeVoe School of Business. “More importantly, this program incorporates a biblical perspective on the use of money into the program and seeks to prepare financial planners to advise their clients on the use of their financial resources in a manner that builds the kingdom of God.”

This Master’s program has been structured with the adult student in mind. Classes meet one night per week or online, with cohort groups providing mutual support. Instructors combine academic credentials with professional expertise, creating a learning environment that allows the students to design solutions and strategies for complex business problems and opportunities within the financial planning industry.

“The MBA PFP program is one of less than a dozen MBA-based financial planning programs in the country, and the only one that integrates biblical principles,” Boyce reiterates. “It is a strong addition to the degrees available through the DeVoe School of Business and is part of IWU’s tradition and mission of preparing students in character, scholarship and leadership.”



COURSES TO CERTIFY NON-ATTORNEYS TO PRACTICE IMMIGRATION LAW AVAILABLE AT WESLEY SEMINARY

AT INDIANA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

In conjunction with The Wesleyan Church’s partnership in The Immigration Alliance — an organization that equips local churches across the country to provide immigration legal services to under-resourced immigrants — Wesley Seminary at Indiana Wesleyan University will offer Church-Based Immigrant Ministry. This course, taught in partnership with World Relief and Immigrant Connection, provides a foundation for understanding the immigration system in the United States in preparation for taking the Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) accreditation exam, the government certification that allows non-attorneys to practice immigration law.

“This course equips local ministry leaders to serve their neighbors in a way that is truly helpful personally and is strengthening to their community,” said Dr. Wayne Schmidt, Vice President for Wesley Seminary. “While U.S. immigrants come from many nations, our Spanish-language Master of Divinity students have heightened our awareness and strengthened our resolve to provide a solution to what is both a legal and spiritual challenge.”

With more than 22 million foreign-born, non-citizens in the U.S. — and with only 12,000 private immigration attorneys and 2,800 non-profit immigration attorneys and accredited staff in the U.S. — the need for trustworthy, authorized legal services has never been greater. That need was the impetus for The Wesleyan Church to join with more than a dozen other denominations and organizations to form The Immigration Alliance, a coalition of 15 evangelical church-based denominations that represent more than 28,500 churches. The Immigration Alliance is committed to dramatically multiplying the number of sites across the country providing low-cost, high-quality immigrant legal services over the next three years.

With a mantra of “Immigration is an issue, but immigrants are people,” the course will equip non-attorneys with the knowledge to provide much-needed legal counsel on immigration-related matters at Immigrant Connection sites approved by the BIA. Church-Based Immigrant Ministry will cover biblical and theological bases for Christian engagement with issues of immigration, giving church and faith-based workers tools to integrate immigration legal ministry into a holistic outreach program. Course participants will also visit the active Immigration Connection site at The Bridge Community Church in Logansport, Indiana.

Church-Based Immigrant Ministry will be offered at Wesley Seminary May 31-June 5. The course, which offers three graduate credit hours, is also open to those without a bachelor’s degree. Those interested in taking the course can get more information on the IWU website. Registration is limited to 20 participants.

IWU RECOGNIZED AS A TOP NATIONAL ONLINE COLLEGE

Indiana Wesleyan University was recognized as one of this country's Best Online Colleges 2014 by Best Value Schools (BVS), a leading resource for online learning and college affordability information.

IWU ranked second out of 30 online colleges and universities to make the list, besting the University of North Carolina, Penn State University, the University of Nebraska and the University of Central Florida, as well as Phoenix University and Kaplan University. Only the University of Maryland University College was ranked higher than IWU by four points.

Understanding the enduring value of a college education while juxtaposed with the rising and often intimidating cost of that education, BVS is committed to researching and vetting the best colleges students and their families can invest their time and resources in to achieve the dream of a college degree. Their research placed IWU solidly as one of the top schools in the nation to help students reach their goals, receive an excellent education and do so while keeping costs at a reasonable level.

BVS employs a methodology that starts by compiling a list of all the accredited online universities in the country. "Online" is defined as institutions that either: a) operate entirely online, b) have established a separate wing or division of their school (such as a "world campus") for online students, or c) simply offer a large number of their degrees online. They then collect data on seven indicators:

- Freshmen Retention Rate
- Six-year Graduation Rate
- Student-to-Faculty Ratio
- Number of Bachelor's Degree Programs
- Breadth of Subjects Available to Study
- College Prowler Academics Rating (if available)
- Percentage of "Excellent" or "Strongly Agree" Student Poll Responses on College Prowler (if available)

Each of the schools was given a score based on its performance and the weight that BVS assigns to each category. The highest possible score is 875 — IWU's score was 823.

In their ranking, BVS states, "Attending Indiana Wesleyan University online is a unique experience characterized by significant student collaboration, capped class sizes for an 'intimate learning experience,' and customized online college course curriculum designed specifically for adults. IWU insists that online students receive the same treatment and rigor of material as traditional campus students, with the only difference being where they hold class discussions and how they submit their assignments.

"Students who completed polls on College Prowler overwhelmingly reported that "professors care about their students' success" and are "passionate about the topics they teach," "there are a variety of interesting courses to take," and "there are plenty of good online course options," as well as that "classrooms incorporate new technology effectively."

Upon learning of the ranking, IWU President Dr. David Wright stated, "When IWU offered its first online class in 1996 for students in our adult education programs, the move was viewed with suspicion in the higher education community. Truth be told, the non-traditional adult education format that IWU had begun in 1985 still was not widely accepted. We were convinced, however, that we could be successful if we kept our focus on the content of our adult programs — both online and onsite — and not on the way our classes were delivered. Quality always was, and still is, the top priority. Our commitment to that goal was rewarded with the release of The 30 Best Online Colleges 2014."

Other recent IWU rankings and awards:

- Partnership with Wesley Institute in Sydney, Australia, as part of global Christian outreach initiative
- IWU professor awarded Fulbright grant
- Recipient of the 2012 Quality Matters program award for service to online students

- Ranked #26 of "Best Regional Universities (Midwest)" by U.S. News & World Report
- Ranked #7 "Best Value School" by U.S. News & World Report
- Ranked #11 of "Best Colleges for Veterans" by U.S. News & World Report
- Ranked as a Best Online Bachelor's Program in Management by GetEducated.com
- Designated as "Military Friendly" by OnlineU
- Considered one of the most popular online colleges by OnlineU
- Ranked #3 by TheBestSchools.org on its list of "Best Online Bachelor's in Marketing Degree Programs"
- Ranked #15 by the Affordable Colleges Foundation on its list of "Best Online Christian Colleges for 2015"
- Ranked #15 by BestColleges.com on its list of Best Colleges for Older Students
- Ranked #19 by TheBestSchools.org on its list of "Top 25 Schools for Online Nursing Degrees"
- Largest adult education program in the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities



Learning and Giving Lessons



TONI MURRAY'S TEACHING REACHES BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Antoinette “Toni” Murray never forgot some important lessons she learned as a child about serving to meet the needs of other people.

“I learned from my parents and grandparents to give,” said Murray, a retired teacher who lives in Fort Wayne, Indiana. “I think you have to have faith, believe in the Lord and listen to what He’s saying. I think I am doing what He wants me to do.”

When her husband, John, died unexpectedly in January of 2012, Murray turned to her financial advisor for help with disbursing some of their investments. Based on her 39 years as an elementary teacher, education was her first priority.

“St. Francis University in Fort Wayne, where I earned both my bachelor’s and master’s degrees, was a logical choice to establish a scholarship fund,” Murray said. Each year, 21 St. Francis students of various majors receive Antoinette V. Murray Endowed Scholarships.

She also established a scholarship at Winebrenner Theological Seminary in Findlay, Ohio, as a result of a previous denominational affiliation.

Indiana Wesleyan University was a surprise beneficiary as Murray sought to invest her money wisely.

“I knew nothing about Indiana Wesleyan,” she said. “My financial advisor suggested I talk to one of his friends who worked as a development officer at IWU. We had a good discussion, and I liked what he told me about IWU.”

The result was the establishment, in 2012, of the John and Toni Murray Endowed Scholarship. The fund currently provides one annual scholarship for a student majoring in Business or Education.

The scholarships at IWU and St. Francis include a provision that recipients must complete 50 hours of community service each year.

“It is my desire, as additional funds become available, that the IWU scholarship eventually would provide full tuition plus room and board for several students,” Murray said.

“Currently, the IWU scholarship alternates between students majoring in Business and Education because I was an educator and John was a businessman.”

The Murrays’ first business venture was a Precision Transmission franchise in Fort Wayne, which they later sold with the intent of moving to Florida.

“After we sold the transmission business, we learned that teacher certification in Florida would require me to take additional classes and that I would lose several years of seniority, so we decided to stay in Indiana,” Murray said.

The couple then purchased an industrial tool shop in Ossian, Indiana, which they operated for about 10 years before moving the shop to Waynedale, which is near Fort Wayne. They were operating the Waynedale shop when John Murray passed away.

Despite being officially retired, Toni Murray has hardly slowed down. Even surgery earlier this year to have both of her knees replaced limited her activities for only a month.

She continues to volunteer two days a week at Northcrest Elementary School in Fort Wayne, where she previously taught. She also serves as board president for the Allen County Homemakers Association and connects with fifth-graders through Junior Achievement.

Through her involvement with the homemakers’ organization, which is affiliated with Purdue University, she has established the John and Toni Murray Cancer Research

Fund as part of a statewide effort to raise funds for cancer research at Purdue.

"I got involved in the [Indiana] Extension Homemakers Association more than 50 years ago when a friend invited me to attend a meeting," Murray said. "My niece and a lot of other people I know have had cancer, which is why I wanted to help with cancer research. They are doing some very good work at Purdue."

Dr. Brian Gardner, Vice President for University Advancement, said he is honored that IWU students for years to come will benefit from Murray's generosity.

"What Toni has contributed provides more than tuition. Her scholarship's service requirement builds a habit of giving that will bring a lifetime of joy to the student recipients and to those they serve."

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SUMMER TRIPS ABROAD

Approximately 200 residential students will go abroad this summer to study, intern or serve with travel classes, world impact teams, or internship and practicum experiences. The trips, which occur in May, June and July, take place in 13 different countries including Greece, Turkey, Australia, Italy, England, Scotland and China.

“These programs immerse our students in other cultures where

they are able to learn from different perspectives, serve in a variety of ways, and engage with people from diverse cultural backgrounds,” said Jim Vermilya, Director of Global Engagement.

While abroad, student groups guided by an IWU professor, will have the opportunity to truly experience a new place and be immersed in a new culture.

FACULTY LEARNING TRIP TO INDIA

A group of IWU faculty and staff members will be travelling to India in June 2015 on a Faculty Vision Trip. The trip’s purpose is to explore possible locations for future travel classes, world impact teams and internships. The group will also visit a semester abroad program location that was recently established by the Council for Christian Colleges and Universities.

Because IWU seeks to be a truly global university, it is expanding its efforts in building reciprocal partnerships with universities around the world. Through these relationships, IWU hopes to send students for education abroad programs and from which IWU could also receive students. India, as well as China and South Korea, are three of the locations where IWU is focusing international recruitment efforts.



THRIVENT FINANCIAL COMMITS \$5 MILLION TO RON BLUE INSTITUTE

In March, a \$5 million commitment by Thrivent Financial to the Ron Blue Institute for Financial Planning at IWU was announced.

For more than 30 years, Ron Blue has elevated a biblical view of financial stewardship and generosity. In 2012, Blue licensed his intellectual property to IWU to create the Ron Blue Institute. The Institute is positioned to move forward with plans that will help it change the way Christians think, act and communicate about financial stewardship.

Funding from Thrivent Financial, a Christian financial services organization, will allow the Institute to hire executive and academic leaders to begin fulfilling initiatives with IWU and other universities, seminaries, schools, churches and professional financial planners.

Thrivent Financial will give \$2 million to fund the operations of the Ron Blue Institute over the next four years, provide an initial gift of \$1 million to the Institute's endowment and match \$2 million of additional giving to the endowment.

IWU will match up to \$5 million of giving from Thrivent Financial and other donors to the Institute's endowment.

SPRINGHILL CAMP

Forty-seven Indiana Wesleyan students spent their summer working at SpringHill Camps in states such as Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Ohio. IWU students accounted for nearly 4.5% of the entire staff, the second highest percentage of recruits from any one university. Students held jobs as camp counselors, photographers, boat drivers, health officers, craft instructors, wranglers, registration assistants and a variety of other roles.

SpringHill, which is recognized by the Best Christian Workplaces Institute, is a camp dedicated to creating life-impacting experiences to bring young people closer to Christ. Because of its mission for glorifying God and impacting the lives of young people, the camp seeks out counselors who are rooted in Christ and who will be positive role models to campers.

"We deeply appreciate the partnership we have with IWU and its high quality students," said Michael Perry, President of SpringHill.

BUILDING FOUNDATION - ISS MULTICULTURAL

The Intercultural Student Services & Academic Development (ISS&AD) Office is making changes to enhance and further their purpose across campus. The department seeks to continue building a strong foundation in order to create a culturally responsive and inclusive community for students, faculty and staff at Indiana Wesleyan University.

"Through intercultural student services and leadership as well as academic development, our goals are rooted in informing, inspiring and inviting learning opportunities that promote reconciliation and transformational living with each other within this campus community and in the greater places where we serve as world changers," said ISS&AD Associate Director Dr. Lena Crouso.

The department recently created a leadership role that is an administrative faculty position, as well as added the "academic development" focus to Crouso's work. These two changes will allow for rich collaboration with IWU's expert faculty leading to greater expansion of ISS&AD's academic goals, the internationalization and intercultural depth of the curriculum, and the deepening of student engagement and learning outcomes across all disciplines.



PUERTO RICO BASKETBALL

The men's basketball team traveled south to Puerto Rico in December 2014 to do what they love most—play ball. The number one-ranked team competed against Puerto Rico Rio Piedras and Puerto Rico Bayamon during their stay, winning both games. The team stayed a few days extra to enjoy the culture, fellowship with people and witness for Christ.

The basketball team has frequently travelled over winter break. Not only is it a time for them to play basketball, but also focus on spiritual growth. Every day, the team worshipped together, participated in devotionals and even had the opportunity to share Christ with other coaches and athletes.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL MAKES ANOTHER DEEP RUN AT NAIA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

The men's basketball season came to a close in the Elite Eight of the NAIA Division II National Championship on March 14 in Point Lookout, MO. Indiana Wesleyan has reached at least the Elite Eight seven times in nine national tournament appearances.

Indiana Wesleyan became just the third team in the history of NAIA Division II to be ranked No. 1 throughout the entire regular season. IWU finished the season 33-3 and set a new program record for wins which was set last year when the national championship team went 31-6. Indiana Wesleyan claimed their seventh consecutive Crossroads League regular season championship and its second Crossroads League tournament championship.

The Wildcats defeated Brescia (KY) 77-56 in the NAIA First Round and then defeated No. 16-ranked Warner Pacific (OR) 79-71 in the Sweet 16. No. 8-ranked Davenport (MI) upset Indiana Wesleyan 79-75 for a spot in the Final Four.

"It was an incredible year and I am so proud of our guys," said head coach Greg Tonagel. "Hands down my most enjoyable year of coaching."

Two Wildcats earned NAIA All-American status following the national tournament for their success on the court during the 2014-15 season. Junior guard Jonny Marlin was named NAIA All-American First Team while sophomore forward Lane Mahurin was voted NAIA All-American Third Team. Marlin broke the program's single season record with 206 assists. Mahurin led the Wildcats with 13.6 points per game.



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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL MAKES 13TH STRAIGHT APPEARANCE AT NAIA NATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Women's basketball concluded another successful season in 2014-15. The Wildcats won the Crossroads League regular season championship and advanced to the NAIA National Championship in Sioux City, Iowa for the 13th consecutive season.

Indiana Wesleyan was ranked No. 6 in the final poll of the season and was awarded one of four No. 2-seeds at the NAIA Division II National Championship. Their season came to a conclusion when No. 7-seed Ashford (Iowa) upset Indiana Wesleyan 66-50 in the NAIA First Round.

The Wildcats ended the season 27-6 and won the Crossroads League regular season title with a 17-1 record. IWU has won 24 or more games in 14 consecutive seasons.

Marion, Indiana standout Katrina Blackmon was a driving force for the Wildcats this season, which was recognized by the Crossroads League and NAIA coaches. Blackmon was honored as the Crossroads League Player of the Year and was voted a NAIA All-American First Team selection. She led the Wildcats in points (10.6), rebounds (5.9) assists (3.8), free throws made (84) and free throws attempted (129). Blackmon finished her collegiate career with 1,024 points and 531 rebounds.

"I am very happy for her and I think she is very deserving of the honor," said IWU head coach Steve Brooks. "She really understands team and gets what our program is about. Katrina could have scored more points on another team but on this team she did what she needed to do to help us be successful."



LUKE SANFORD: NEW MEN'S SOCCER COACH

Luke Sanford is the new head coach of the men's soccer program.

"We are really happy to have Luke Sanford as our new head men's soccer coach," said Athletic Director Mark DeMichael. "We were blessed with an incredibly deep and talented group of candidates. But Luke really separated himself from the group with the committee early by the way he expressed how he would integrate his faith into his coaching style. His priorities really match up well with Indiana Wesleyan's mission statement. He really wants to invest in the spiritual growth of the soccer players as well as make them the best soccer players they can be."

The Indiana Wesleyan position is the first collegiate head coaching job for Sanford.

"I am honored to receive this post so early in my coaching career," said Sanford. "God has blessed me with opportunities to work with some brilliant coaches and I feel well equipped to begin leading a program of my own. I am confident in my ability to lead, train and relate to players and am eager to get started with what is a very talented and motivated group."

Sanford was most recently an assistant coach and recruiting coordinator at Point Loma Nazarene (CA), a program that left the NAIA to compete in NCAA Division II. Sanford was an integral part of turning a two win Point Loma Nazarene team in 2012 into a team that went 7-8-3 in 2013.

He has coaching experience in the USL Premier Development League. Sanford was a coaching intern with the Charlotte Eagles in 2011 and an assistant coach with Southern WV Kings Warriors in 2012. He also coached club soccer with the Charlotte Soccer Academy and Surf Soccer Club.

Sanford inherits an IWU program that had its best season ever in 2014. Indiana Wesleyan finished 18-1-1 and captured its highest ever national ranking in the NAIA Poll at No. 5. IWU advanced to the NAIA National Championship for a second consecutive season.

"I look forward to building on the current culture and applying my own ideas and convictions," said Sanford. "It is imperative that our program align with the mission of the University to develop men of character, scholarship and leadership. We will be hard working, organized and service oriented as a group."



alumni NEWS

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

1970s

Michael Jackson '75 is lead pastor of God's New Beginnings Fellowship, Littleton, CO.

• **Dr. Marilyn (Pieper) Simons '77** is a Professor of Nursing at Indiana Wesleyan University.

1980s

Daniel Barton '84 is a Chaplain with PruittHealth Hospice, Calhoun, GA. • **David Wilmot '84** was promoted to Major General for the National Guard. • **Verl Luse '85** is completing his Ph.D. in Spatially Integrated Social Science (SISS).

1990s

Joel Showalter '92 is Associate Copy Director for the marketing firm Ologie, Columbus, OH. • **Mark Schlechty '93** is pastor of Petersburg Free Methodist Church and was promoted Captain (chaplain) for the Indiana Guard Reserve. • **Jennifer (Marvin) Mealy '94** is a secretary for Trinity Wesleyan Church, Central, SC. • **Roger Varner '94** is Director of Enterprise Project Management at Ohio University, Athens, OH. • **Daniel Stoltzfus '95** is Chief Program Officer at The Bowery Mission in NY City. • **DeNeen (Thaxton) Attard '99** is the newly published author of *The Trinity of Coaching: God, You, and Your Life Coach*. • **Joel Delp '99** is Founder and CEO of the Santiago Partnership, Coshocton, OH. • **Angela Schuch '99** is Account Manager for Wesleyan Investment Foundation, Fishers, IN.

2000s

Joshua Brunet '00 is an Assistant Professor of Illustration at Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design, Denver, CO. • **Kharen Grimmet '00** is an Assistant Clinical Professor at Purdue University, Indianapolis, IN. • **Tony Haworth '00** is an Assistant Branch Manager for Huntington Bank,

Columbus, OH. • **Jeremy Payne '00** is a Media Associate at The People's Church, Toronto, Canada. • **Austin Bonds '01** has hired an Executive Director for his Texas ministry MetroRelief, and is now acting as CEO. • **Michael Gallant '01** is pastor at Mt. Etna United Methodist Church, Huntington, IN. • **Brennan Summers '01** is owner of A Moveable Feast Food Truck & Catering Company, based in Grand Rapids, Michigan. • **Libby (Boyer) Budack '02** is a Marketing Database Analyst for Cardno Inc., Portland, OR. • **Eric Horvath '02** is the Marketing and Account Manager at Dex Media, Fort Wayne, IN. • **Gary Larimer '02** was appointed as the District Director of Intercession for the Indiana South District of the Wesleyan Church. • **Rev. Stevan Sheets '02** is the Pastor of Leadership Development at Hyde Wesleyan Church, Clearfield, PA. • **Sarah Brown '03** received the Distinguished Service Young Alumna award from Trine University. • **Matthew Perkins '03** recently published his first book *What About the Man? Surviving Pregnancy* which can be found on amazon.com. • **Nicholas Slahta '03** is an Employee Benefits Consultant for Willis, Charlotte, NC. • **Dwayne Taylor '03** is the Associate Director of Residential & First-Year Programs at Gettysburg College, Gettysburg, PA. • **Jessica Thorne '03** is the Founder/Executive Director of Purchased, whose mission is to empower communities to end modern day slavery. • **Eric Greenwald '04** was promoted to VP of Digital Video Strategy and Production for Bank of America in Charlotte, NC. • **Alicia (Rasley) Myers '04** is Assistant Professor of New Testament and Greek at Campbell University Divinity School, Buies, NC. • **Steven Ray '04** is the Executive Director of the North Central Indiana Regional Planning Council. • **John Sievers '05** is a Customer Quality Engineer at IMMI, Westfield, IN. • **Derek Thompson '06** is an assistant professor of mathematics at Taylor University. • **Karen Armes '07** is a Community Sales Manager for Arbor Homes, Marion, IN. • **Richard Blann '07** is the owner/photographer of Water's Edge Virtual Tours, Fleming Island, FL. • **Charles Edwards '07** is Director of the Annual Fund for Welch College, Nashville, TN. • **Brittany (Boyles) Jones '07** is an Administrative Support Specialist in Accounting at Illinois Statewide Technical Assistance Collaborative, Lisle, IL. • **Melinda (Joiner) Smith '07** is a Client

Services Analyst at Recondo Technology, Indianapolis, IN. • **Kalley Nicely '08** studied model community-based efforts to preserve Bornean species in East Malaysia, on the island of Borneo. She is a Direct Support Professional at Easter Seals ARC in Fort Wayne, IN, and is in pursuit of her master's degree from Miami University. • **Matthew Brown '09** is an Electrical Engineer at Butler Rural Electric Cooperative Inc., Oxford, OH. • **Rachel Hayden '09** is an HR advisor for human relations at Amazon, Seattle, WA. • **Robyn Karrer '09** was promoted to VP of Risk Management and Insurance Services for Baptist Health, Louisville, KY. • **Jill (MacMillan) Spiess '09** is a Shift Leader for General Motors, Lansing, MI. • **Benjamin Vanderhoff '09** is a ScholarCorps member for AmeriCorps/Ivy Tech Community College, Indianapolis, IN. He would love to reconnect with former classmates.

2010s

Tracy Cain '10 is a Manager of Data Integrity for STANT Corp., Connersville, IN. • **Joel Munoz '10** was Assistant Principal of the Year for District 7 in 2014, was the Lilly Endowment Recipient for \$10,000, participated in Project: Latino Administrator Meets Chinese Culture, and Completed his Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership at Oakland City University. • **Lisa (Kintzele) Human '11** is a Staff Accountant for Craighead, Lange & Hough, P.C., Michigan City, IN. • **Nicholas Messer '11** is CBC Coordinator for Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation in Columbus, IN. • **Stephanie Poisel '11** is a Medical Laboratory Scientist (ASCP) CM at St. Mary Medical Center, Hobart, IN. • **Steven Renigar '11** is a Systems Analyst Advisor at WellPoint, Inc., Norfolk, VA. • **Cory Sprunger '11** passed the Indiana Bar and opened the Law Office of Cory M. Sprunger, Berne, IN. • **Kimberly (Burton) Wernecke '11** is a Lead Preschool Teacher at Benjamin Harrison YMCA Greater Indianapolis. • **Emily (Rodemann) Ihle '12** was promoted to Interior Designer/Marketing Coordinator at Whitney Architects, Oak Brook, IL. • **Judy (Thomas) Johnson '12** is an Administrator at Bloomington Nursing & Rehab, Bloomington, IN. • **Amy Rupp '12** is a

Receptionist for GOD TV, Overland Park, KS. • **William Adams '13** is a Technical Artist at Guidestone Financial Resources, Dallas, TX. • **Michelle (Weidman) Britt '12** is a Kindergarten Teacher at Scioto Elementary, Commercial Point, OH. • **Retha Allen '13** is an Instructor at the Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, KY. • **Zachary Aument '13** was promoted to Alumni and Volunteer Engagement Coordinator at Spring Hill, Ewart, MI. • **Brett Dicks '13** was promoted to Capital Financial Analyst at the Cummins Technical Center in Columbus, IN. • **Sharayah Grosseohme '13** is a Postpartum Registered Nurse at Parkview Health, Fort Wayne, IN. • **Colletta Jackson '13** is an RN Care Manager, Euclid, OH. • **Josh Landers '13** is teaching middle school and high school choir in Mitchell, IN, and was awarded Student Teacher of the Year for 2014. • **Maryam Lyon '13** has been elected

President of the Ohio Board of Nursing. • **Tiffany (Crockett) Martin '13** is a Clinical Program Developer for Kindred Healthcare, Louisville, KY. • **Paige (Blake) Ross '13** was promoted to RN-Director of Clinical Services and Referral Marketing at Sunrise Children's Services, Mt. Washington, KY. • **Emily (Carstenbrock) Shaw '13** is the Jefferson Township Trustee for Newton County, IN. • **Carissa Spadie '13** is Administrative Assistant for Cardinal Carryor, Louisville, KY. • **Jodie Webb '13** is a Peroperative Services Educator. • **Lauren (Koons) Browder '14** is a Business Manager for MDV, SpartanNash, Norfolk, VA. • **Yolanda (Belle) Brown '14** is Administrative Assistant to the CEO of College Now Greater Cleveland. • **Eric Eggenberg '14** is the Servicing Director at Royal Pacific Funding Corp, Costa Mesa, CA. • **Kristen Evans '14** is a Fraud Specialist at First Merchants

National Bank, Indianapolis, IN. • **Denise Herd '14** is president of the marketing firm Herd Strategies, Indianapolis, IN. • **Devon (Olrich) Mortland '14** is an RN at PSA Healthcare, Tacoma, WA. • **Traci (Green) Morris '14** was promoted to Patient Care Coordinator for Women's and Children's Services at Willis-Knighton Bossier Health Center, Bossier City, IA. • **Diana (Doss) Price '14** is an RN at IU Health Goshen Hospital, Goshen, IN. • **Chad Ratcliff '14** is a Tax Professional for H&R Block, Kokomo, IN. • **Mary Sharpshair '14** is an RN at TriHealth, Sharonville, OH. • **Annjannette Schafer '14** is an RN at McLaren Central Michigan, Mt. Pleasant, MI. • **Ronald (RJ) Mahurin '14** is a Loan Officer at The Fountain Trust Company, Rockville, IN. • **Angelo Trunzo '14** is the Senior Pastor at Sebring Church of the Nazarene, Sebring, FL.

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|FUTURE ALUMNI|



01 | Leah Collins Moses was born February 9, 2015, to Corbett '11 and Kelly (Veenstra) '11 Moses.

02 | Katie Elaine Middlesworth was born November 18, 2014, to Derek '11 and Courtney (Clem) '11 Middlesworth.

03 | Avery Marie Howlett was born July 23, 2014, to Stephen '13 and Casey (Nantz) '11 Howlett.

04 | William Baker Hawk was born January 13, 2015 to Blake '08 and Jessica (Focht) '07 Hawk.

05 | Elizabeth Suzanne Thompson was born April 4, 2014, to Derek '06 and Amanda (Holt) '06 Thompson.

06 | Eva Jane Forrest was born September 10, 2014, to Trent '11 and Emily (Speight) '10 Forrest.

07 | Caleb Roger Urven was born December 29, 2014 to Lonnie '98 and Jessica (Shoultz) '98 Urven.

08 | Chloe Ann Laborde was born August 24, 2014, to Ben and Laura (Manning) Laborde '10.

09 | Aurielle Celeste Blackwell was born October 6, 2014, to Zach '08 and Niki (Haddix) '08 Blackwell.

10 | Clark Elliot Hubbard was born June 25, 2014, to Loren '06 and Katie (Manning) '06 Hubbard.



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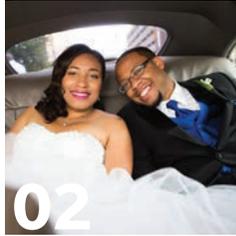
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01 | **Tim '13** and **Kelbi (Taylor) Veenstra** were married December 20, 2014.

03 | **Ryan '10** and **Heather (Richardson) Heck** were married April 26, 2014.

05 | **Micah** and **Laura (Snyder) McHugh '13** were married on August 22, 2014.

02 | **Christopher and Candyce (Offett) '13 Hawkins** were married July 19, 2014.

04 | **Chad** and **Sydney (Smith) Cecil '12** were married on September 27, 2014.

Michael and **Ashley (Humphries) '06 Fox** were married October 18, 2014.

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

FEELING GOOD ABOUT LIFE

They say the best lessons in life come from living, from making our way through the good times and the hard times, the days of laughter and the days when life is just plain hard to get through. Some of life's best lessons come our way when we grow right where we are planted.

Dr. Maya Angelou captured some of these great life lessons in her characteristic pithy statements. Dr. Angelou was an author, poet, actress, singer, and wise observer of the threads of meaning woven through life. She died last year, but not before leaving us many gems of insight and wisdom.

I love these words of wisdom that she wrote. Perhaps you'll recognize some of them.

- I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow.
- I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he or she handles these three things: a rainy day, lost luggage and tangled Christmas tree lights.
- I've learned that regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone.
- I've learned that making a living is not the same thing as making a life.
- I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance.
- I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands; you need to be able to throw something back.
- I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision.
- I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one.
- I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back.
- I've learned that I still have a lot to learn.
- I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

How do we thrive in a world tumbling in moral confusion, inebriated with power, inured to physical and emotional violence, captivated by the titillating, the transient and the shallow? Jesus' immortal words remind us of an unchanging truth. "Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." (John 12:24)

How do we thrive in this world? We allow God to plant us somewhere. Then we grow where we are planted. And out of our faithfulness to this calling, God brings abundance. This is our pursuit at Indiana Wesleyan University – preparing students who will bring God's abundance to our world by growing where God plants them.

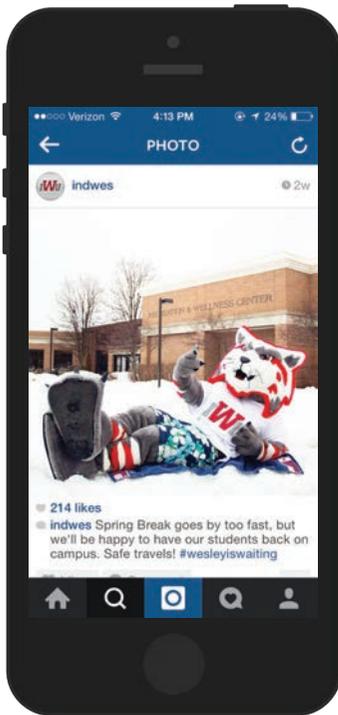
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Wright". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

DR. DAVID WRIGHT '77
PRESIDENT

IWU STUDENT CULTURE

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STUDENTS ENJOYED SPRING BREAK THIS MARCH, SOME STAYING CLOSE BY AND OTHERS TRAVELING TO WARM AND SUNNY PLACES. MEANWHILE, BACK ON CAMPUS WESLEY DECIDED TO CATCH SOME RAYS OF HIS OWN. SEARCH **#WESLEYISWAITING** TO SEE HOW WESLEY SPENT HIS BREAK!



● dsleigh09 Views from the 6



● chadho9 Lani Kai sunset on Wednesday



● maggiepender we had so much fun spending time with the DeLeeuw's on their boat today. Kelly sure knows how to pick 'em



● tbrooks1118 Nature is not a place to visit. It is home. #ohsnapmcconn #observationpoint #6600ft #travel #outdoors #Zionnationalpark #amazing

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● schenkelkatie If it isn't evident that God has a plan for everyone's life, then i don't know what is! So thankful these girls are part of my plan! I can't wait for this fall! #IWUASW

#REBASH2015



● petermercer94 One of my favorite parts of the school year will always be Rebash. #rebash2015



● indwes Happy New Year...again! #rebash2015

CHECK OUT LECRAE'S APPEARANCE ON CAMPUS AT

#FUSIONFIFTEEN



DID YOU KNOW?

Lecrae is a Grammy Award winner for Best Contemporary Christian Music Performance/Song.



DID YOU KNOW?

Lecrae performed on "The Tonight Show starring Jimmy Fallon."

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DID YOU KNOW?

Lecrae occupied the No. 1 album spot on both the Gospel Albums and Billboard Top 200 list for the first time in history.



DID YOU KNOW?

Lecrae hit the gym floor with the men's basketball team and his insta-worthy video received over 260,000 views.

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