



## Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association

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### Westmar Endowment Scholarships Awarded for 2015–2016

The Iowa College Foundation announced that Westmar Endowment Scholarships totaling \$35,500 to 37 students who will be attending an Iowa private college or university in academic year 2015-2016 has been awarded. The Westmar Endowment Scholarship Program is administered by ICF in cooperation with the Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association.

Recipients of the Presidential Scholarships of **\$5,000** each are Victoria Clausen of Hinton, IA, child of **Matthew Clausen '86**, who will be a freshman at Drake University; and Rachel Kehrberg of Hinton, IA, child of **Debra Joy Kehrberg '97**, who will be a freshman at Buena Vista College.

**\$1000** scholarships were awarded to: Katherine Bomgaars, grandchild of **Dorothy Poppen '67**; Maggie Dickman, child of **Donna Wimmer '92**; Shannon Vander Berg, grandchild of **Eldon Vander Berg '60**; Anna Bierma grandchild of **Henrietta Van Maanen '46**; Kori Boll, child of **Edward Hoppee Boll '85**; Faith Bierma, grandchild of **Henrietta Van Maanen '46**; Kathryn Clausen, child of **Matthew Clausen '86**; Christine Gallagher, child of **Dennis Gallagher '86**; Kristin Hubert, child of **Joel Hubert '90**; Nic Madsen, grandchild of **Adrienne Valentine '97**; Molly McInnis, child of **Greg McInnis '92**; Holly Schneider, child of **Pamela Brunsting '93** & Staff and **Thomas Schneider '94**; Taylor Deegan, child of **Larry Deegan '80**; Bret Korthals, nephew of **Angela Trei '94**; Marissa Childress, child of **Carol Childress '80**; Channing Pick, child of **Kaylyn Busch '88** and Staff '97.

**\$500** scholarships were awarded to: Mallory Hanson, child of **Robert Hanson '85**; Aaron Britt; Jenna Kitchenmaster, grandchild of **Arvin Kitchenmaster '63**; Shelby Puhl; Andrew Heffner; Elizabeth Koele; Matthew Albert; Beau Ohm; Brianna Fowler, child of **Amy Joy Fowler '92**; Samantha Vander Velde, child of **Todd Vander Velde '84**; Emily Borger, grandchild of **Louise De Boer '47**; Michael Whitehead, child of **Ervin Whitehead '96** and **Lisa Whitehead Staff '90–'97**; Morgan Whitehead child of **Ervin Whitehead '96** and **Lisa Whitehead Staff '90–'97**; Micah Neary, child of **Jeffrey Neary '81 & Faculty '94–'97**; Mercedes Messerole, grandchild of **Roy Messerole '60**; Miles Kirts, grandchild of **Marilyn Joyce Birmingham '64**; Connor Ogren, child of **Janet Ogren '86**; Payton Pick, child of **Kaylyn Busch '88 & Staff '97**; Taylor Weiler, child of **Brent Weiler '97** and grandchild of **Marilyn Vollmecke Staff '86–'97**.

The Westmar Endowment Scholarship Program is one of the largest scholarship programs offered in Northwest Iowa. First consideration for awards was given to students who are current residents of Northwest Iowa and have a Westmar family-relation connection such as alumni, former staff and former faculty of Westmar as well as their children and grandchildren. Other considerations were given to students who are residents of LeMars and students living outside northwest Iowa area but having family relation connections with the former Westmar College. They are also awarded on the basis of a student's academic merit, commitment to community service and leadership qualities. Scholarships are for one year but may be renewed. Applicants at any college grade level are eligible, but must plan to attend one of ICT's member colleges as a full-time student.

### Chorale reunion as part of 70's reunion!



Dr. Frank Summerside would like to see you at the Reunion of the '70's even if you didn't attend Westmar at that time! Come sing with the Chorale on August 8th, 2015. Please fill out the registration form for this reunion and let him know what part you sing. He needs to know you are coming and you are welcome to be a part of this reunion to meet your choral

**Important: let us know you are coming and what part you sing.**

## Reunions

Plans are underway for the 2015 reunions to be held in LeMars. We have some committee volunteers but more are welcome. Planning is done online with Janice in the office to help with connections in LeMars.

**Decade of the 70's** is being planned for **August 7th and 8th**. Plans are to honor the coaches and athletes together with the Pace-setters in conjunction with the new Sports Room at the Plymouth County Museum. Also the former Choral members with Frank Summerside, director, will be gathering for a special performance everyone will enjoy.

**50th Anniversary of 1965** with classes of '63 thru '67 invited. **August 28th & 29th**

**60th Anniversary of 1955** and **55th Anniversary of 1960** with classes of '53 to '62 invited. **September 18th & 19th.**

Please mark your calendars!!! You can sign up at our website.

## During the Last 100 Years —#5

By Wayne Marty

### Just One Family – The Riggs

Families do not begin and end – They go on and on – and Westmar Alumni and Friends (WAFAs) are a family with many connections. Elba Oliver Riggs and Amelia Jane Lambert were married in August of 1882 where Elba operated a General Store in Castalia, a little town of 175 people today in Northeast Iowa. They lived in a little 4 room house next to the store where Amelia gave birth to their five children in the living room.

Elba and Amelia were active members and leaders in their local United Brethren church throughout their lives and the following family tree will show their commitment to higher education for their children and the involvement of this family in the United Brethren Western Academy (WA) and College at Shueyville, IA, the United Brethren Leander Clark College (LCC) at Toledo, IA, the United Brethren York College (YC), at York, NE and the Evangelical Westmar College (WC) in Le Mars, IA. The United Brethren Church merged with the Evangelical church in 1948 to become the EUB (Evangelical United Brethren) Church, and then the EUB church merged with the Methodist Church in 1968 to become the United Methodist Church. Consider the following Family Tree. After the first two generations the “tree” only lists the family members that attended the surviving Westmar College, which then also closed in 1997. \* Indicates those in the Riggs family direct lineage who became ministers in some form or a minister’s wife.

Elba (E.O.) Riggs (1861-1916) ----- Amelia Lambert (1857-1946) WA

\*Fred LCC ----- Lilly LCC

Beth YC

Max YC

Jean

\*Robert

Ralph Allen ----- Iva

Donald

Reva YC ----- JW Tomlinson YC

Peggy WC

James WC ----- Barbara WC

\*Carl YC

Bill WC

Glenn

Claire ----- Phyllis Tindall WC

\*Mary Alice YC ----- Max Allen YC

\* Nancy Jo WC

\* John WC

Scott WC

Joy WC

Amy WC ----- Jeff Kelly WC

2, \*Bessie LCC & YC

3, \*Hal LCC ----- Alta LCC

Harold YC

Floy YC ----- Allen Petersen

Lloyd WC ----- Rennae WC

Diann WC ----- Dan Terpstra WC Loretta WC

Lyle WC ----- Donna WC

Lynn WC

\*Dorothy YC ----- Russell Dunlop YC

Dolores WC ----- Richard Voorhees WC

John WC ----- Susan WC

Jim Conley (Foster) WC ----- Ardyce WC

Bertha YC ----- Charles Boone YC

Alta WC

Faith YC ----- Bill Johnson YC

Paul WC

Dick YC

\*Roy WC

4. Floy LCC ----- Thomas Barnes LCC

Ruth

Kay

5. \*Paul YC ----- Veda YC

Merle YC

Betty YC



.....100 Years.. Continued.

## Comments and Notes –

1. Marriages are only shown when the spouse also attended one of the church colleges.
2. All of the original five children graduated or attended one of the church colleges.
3. Four of the original five children became ministers
4. Seven from the next two generations became ministers or minister's wives.
5. Amelia attended Western Academy
6. 7 of the family attended Leander Clark College
7. 21 attended York College
8. 28 attended Westmar College
9. There were athletes & singers, and maybe some pranksters.
10. At least 17 Riggs family marriages originated at these colleges
11. In the #1 Fred lineage, the Allen Family is connected to the Riggs by the Mary Alice ...Max marriage. 5 of their 8 children attended Westmar. Ralph Allen, father of Max, was a friendly custodian in the Westmar Gym and I can still picture him, in the 1960s, sitting at his old sewing machine in the locker room, mending football uniforms for the athletic department. Ralph's wife, Iva was a long time cook in the snack bar in the Westmar Student Center in Weidler Hall. Fred's daughter, Jean, is named in the Westmar Archives record as the 1984 donor of the Fred and Lilly Riggs Hymnal collection. It contains 72 old Hymnals and one is titled, "Temperance and Prohibition Song Book". When Peggy graduated from Westmar in 1968, she wore her Grandpa Fred's robe that he had worn when he graduated from Leander Clark College in 1911.
12. #2 Bessie started her college work at Leander Clark in 1907 and, after some years of teaching in rural schools in Iowa, she graduated from York in 1923 and taught English at York for a number of years.
13. All of #3 Hal's six children attended York College and ten of his grandchildren attended Westmar.  
**Floy** married Allen Petersen and all four of the Petersen children became Westmar students. Floy's granddaughter Diann was active during the Westmar latter years as a Cheerleader, a Dance Team member and a leader in Student Government. She and her husband Dan Terpstra graduated in 1993 – probably the last of the Riggs clan to attend Westmar before its closing in 1997.  
**Dorothy's** family is 100% in the club. She and her husband, Russell Dunlop were York graduates and all of their children and spouses are Westmar graduates. This includes their foster son Jim Conley (See the February WAFA Newsletter for Jim's unique story.) Dolores spent time as a desegregation worker at Tougaloo College in the South during her Westmar years.  
**Bertha, Faith, and Dick**, each had one child that attended Westmar but Faith had another prominent connection to Westmar through her husband, Bill Johnson, who attended York but graduated as an Architectural Engineer from Iowa State University. Bill was the architect and project manager for 5 Westmar buildings constructed in the 1960's.
14. #4, Floy, and her husband continued the Leander Clark tradition of the previous siblings but LCC closed in 1919. Although the LCC assets were transferred to the Presbyterian Coe College in Cedar Rapids, IA, many of the students retained their UB loyalty and transferred to York College.
15. The youngest, #5, Paul in 1920 began his college life at York College – another 100% family with his wife and two children all attending York.
16. All 5 (100%) of Generation one attended one of the church colleges. 14 of the 22 (64%) of Generation two attended, and 18 of the 54 (33%) of Generation three attended. I count 81 (not all shown) in the first three generations of the Riggs' "tree" and 37 (46%) attended one of the church colleges. This does not include spouses that became part of this unique Riggs lineage.

So the conclusion is, "What a Gang!" and what a significant contribution the Riggs family has made to these several colleges and the other students who attended with them and what an impact they have had on the lives that they have touched in their many years beyond the college years. I could have made other comments about the many members of this family that I worked with during my 35 years at Westmar College and I'm sure that someone from York could say the same for those that attended there. Our Thanks to, and appreciation for, Elba and Amelia Riggs, "The United Brethren- Turn of the Century Leaders", from Castalia, IA.

My Thanks to Amy Allen Kelly who loaned me her copy of the "Ancestors and Descendants...." Book of family history written by Amy's mother, Mary Alice Riggs Allen, and to Peggy Riggs of Ames who shared information. Both served as my consultants and reviewed this summation. I apologize for errors or omissions but the central message of the family's church college commitment is clear.

By Wayne G. Marty



## Alumni Deaths

'44 Western Union – **Marie Nancy Hulst Reuter**, 88, of Sheldon, IA, died Jan 26, 2015. Since teachers were scarce, she obtained her certificate and taught in a one-room schoolhouse near Middleburg, IA. She was self-employed as owner and editor of the Hospers Paper. After marriage she helped in their construction co. as a self-taught architect and design consultant among other duties. [www.siouxcityjournal.com](http://www.siouxcityjournal.com)

'45 Western Union – **Rev Dr. Warren John August Hartman**, 92, Memphis, TN, died Mar 14, 2015. Ordained to serve in the ministry in the UMC he served in Illinois and Missouri. He served in a number of national positions in the EUB Church, the UMC and the Council of Churches. He authored a number of books and over 400 published articles. His daughter **Suzanne Knight** '69 survives him. [www.legacy.com/obituaries/commercialappeal/obituaries](http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/commercialappeal/obituaries)

'46 Western Union – **Phyllis Ione Tindall Allen**, 89, of Akron, IA, died April 9, 2015 at her home. She taught school at Grand Meadow School and later at Kingsley Public School. One of her survivors, **Diana Allen Brown**, was in the class of '73 and her sister **Grace Al-len Feuerhelm**, '36, predeceased her. [www.carlsenfuneralhome.com](http://www.carlsenfuneralhome.com)

'46 Western Union – **Robert Haas Roseberry**, 93, of Milford, IA, formerly of LeMars, died March 17, 2015. Bob served as city attorney for LeMars and Merrill, IA and as a trustee and attorney for Westmar College. He was also a trustee of the Presbyterian Church and president of the Board of the Federal Savings and Loan Assoc. in LeMars. In WWII he served with the US Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater, flying the P-51 Mustang on long-range missions from Iwo Jima to Japan. Retiring as Major, he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Purple Heart and three campaign medals. [www.siouxcityjournal.com](http://www.siouxcityjournal.com)

'47 Western Union – **Delores Berniece Philip Swanson**, 90, Hartley, IA, died Mar 14, 2015. She taught country school in Allison and Harrison Townships. She was active in community as the chairman of the Osceola Co. Ext. Comm., Chairman of the May City Centennial Comm., and assisted with the 'May City Memoirs'. Also served on the Advisory Council of NW IA Area Aging and active in church and schools. [www.funeralplan.com/sanborn](http://www.funeralplan.com/sanborn)

'48 – **Harriet Schuiteman Boterhoek**, 93 of Hospers, IA, died April 7, 2015. After taking a teacher course, she taught classes in country schools. After becoming a homemaker she worked in several retail stores. She was active in the Presbyterian Church, volunteered at Hands Around the World in Orange City and reviewed Bible lessons for prisoners. Two of her sisters also attended Westmar; **Arlene Schuiteman** '49, and **Bernice Sandbulte** '48. [www.siouxcityjournal.com](http://www.siouxcityjournal.com)

'48 – **Elizabeth J. Mueller Smith**, 86, formerly of LeMars, died March 9, 2015. She met her husband **Earle Smith** '50 at Westmar and they were married in '50. She was living in Phoenix and by the beach in Puerto Penasco, Mex. [www.lemarssentinel.com](http://www.lemarssentinel.com)

'55 – **Shirley A. Krahling Kruse**, 80, of George, IA, died Feb 12, 2015. She was a teacher before marriage and becoming a farm wife. She was very active in church activities and civic activities such as Auxiliary Board, Museum Board and others. [www.jurrensfuneralhome.com](http://www.jurrensfuneralhome.com)

'55 & Staff – **Lt. Col. John P. Meier**, 83, of Sioux City, died Feb 26, 2015. At Westmar, he played football. Drafted into the US Army, he served in Germany during the Korean Conflict. Following the Conflict, he continued to serve in the Army Reserves and was Commanding Officer for many years, retiring in '80. He also worked for Northwestern Bell Telephone and AT&T for over 30 years. [www.siouxcityjournal.com](http://www.siouxcityjournal.com)

'55 – **Marilyn Angove Yenger**, 79, of Stratford, IA, died Feb. 9, 2015. Being a wonderful wife and mother, she also held positions as teacher, secretary, school bus driver, and EMT. Her homemade cinnamon rolls were known far and wide. She and her husband **Frank Yenger** '58, celebrated 60 years of a wonderful marriage on Feb 6, 2015. All of her children and grand and great-grandchildren were with her on that date. Also survived by her brother **Art Angove** '55. [www.funeralplan.com/starkwelin/obituary](http://www.funeralplan.com/starkwelin/obituary)

'59 – **Phyllis Bechtle Miller** died Jan. 17, 2015 at Fargo, ND. She taught elementary school for many years and then she became a pharmacy tech. She was retired and attended the United Methodist church at Hawley, MN.

'60 – **David E. Peterson** – 76, died Mar 16, 2015 at VA Medical Center in Grand Island, NE. He donated his body to the Anatomical Board of the State of NE University Medical Center. He enlisted in the Army in '59. The Evelyn Sharp Field Airport in Ord displays a model B38 David crafted and the United Veterans Club of Grand Island displays his donation of a B17 model. [www.theindependent.com](http://www.theindependent.com)

'61 – **Lynn Eric Nitzschke**, 75, of Bickford Cottage in Marion, IA, died Apr. 3, 2015. In 1962, he began a career with the Akron Community School dist. as a teacher of science, chemistry and physics for over 20 yrs. In '80 he sponsored a team from AHS that won the State Physics Olympics Championship. [www.cedarmemorial.com](http://www.cedarmemorial.com)

'70 – **Maureen J. Gillespie** of West Roxbury, MA died Nov 10, 2014. Retired longtime Kindergarten Teacher for the Boston Public Schools. She is survived by her sister Kathleen Gillespie '70. [www.pemurrayfuneral.com](http://www.pemurrayfuneral.com)

'74 – **Jeffrey D. Faber**, 63 of LeMars, IA, died April 26, 2015. He was a part of the Westmar Quartet and the



## Alumni Deaths— cont.

Westmar Chorale and later the Plymouth County Singers, Community Theater and church. He shared the stage with his wife **Kathy (Starzl '77)** and his daughter **Emily** in the production of Jesus Christ Superstar. He was a pharmacist. [www.lemarsentinel.com](http://www.lemarsentinel.com)

'74 – **Paul Farstrup Sears**, 62, of Riverside, CA, died Mar 11, 2015. While at Westmar he was a member of the basketball and golf teams. After graduation he began a career with John Deere in Moline, IL, in sales and continued in the equipment industry for over 40 years. He then was General Mgr. with Whitney Machinery, and eventually as Director of Inventory for the company.

[www.akesfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.akesfamilyfuneralhome.com)

'79 – **Robert Lee “Bob” Hinders**, 89, of North Sioux City, SD, died Feb 16, 2015. Bob served his country in both WWII and the Vietnam War. He flew 32 missions with the 8<sup>th</sup> Air Force stationed in England and was decorated as a Staff Sergeant with the 533D Bomb Squad. From '68 to '70 he was a Tech Sgt with the 37<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Wing. He taught at the Sioux City Area Tech School – now Western IA Tech Comm. College and lastly as a Service Officer with the VA in SD.

[www.meyerbroshapel.com](http://www.meyerbroshapel.com)

### IN MEMORY/IN HONOR

Making a donation as a memorial in someone's name that is deceased will place that person's information in a special section of our MEMORY book, on a stand, in the Westmar Room. The page will also include the donor's name. Donations may also be made in HONOR of someone living that is special to you with Westmar ties and a page will also be entered for that person in that section of the book.

A nice way to honor Westmar Alumni, friends, or family.

*Since January 1, 2015 the following Memorials have been established or added to:*

**Carmen Fosberg Angove '55** wife of Arthur Angove '55

**Marilyn Angove Yenger '55** sister of Arthur Angove '55

**Jack Scott** football coach thru the Athletic Room fund

#### *In Honor:*

Thru the Athletic Room Fund:

**Wanda Chittenden**

**Milt Martin**

## Alumni News

'69—**Fred A. Stevens** announced 'that after over 40 interesting years in banking, I feel it is time for me to hang up the cleats and look back on the good times I have had and look forward to my retirement years of doing things I want to do. My last day with Wells Fargo Bank will be April 2, 2015.

'65 and Staff—**Carol Lange** writes that she is busy but happy. After serving the UMW district team as coordinator of Resource Materials (2 yrs.) and 4 years as Spiritual Growth Coordinator, she became president of her district. She is also on the Church Women United local board as past president and state board as the Chair of Ecumenical Celebrations. She is loving it and also stays involved in community activities and events at NW Platteville, WI. She is Professor Emeritus and is still observing student teachers, also. She is enjoying very good health at age 76!

'66—**John Blinn** and wife **Elaine Nicolet Blinn '67**, moved this past year from Pueblo, CO, to the Denver area. Elaine is engaged in private therapy practice and John offers spiritual direction.

### New Items for sale: Order on the website.

20 oz. insulated tumbler for hot or cold beverages with straw. Includes inst. \$10.00 Can or water bottle koozies to keep beverages cold. Features photo of Thoren. Folds flat—\$2.50 each



### Now Available

### T-shirts in GREY.

(also in white or blue) Great for summer and the reunions. Prices are: Small, Medium, Large and X-large are \$15.00 each and XXL & XXXL are \$18.00 each. (Note: not all sizes may be available in all colors.)



## Alumni News—ABOUT

### Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association

#### Board of Directors

The next Wafa quarterly Board of Directors meeting will be held on July 20, 2015, at 7:00 PM in the Plymouth County Historical Museum's Welcome Room.

All Wafa members are welcome to attend and are encouraged to participate in whatever way they can.

#### Current Board Members:

##### January 2014 – January 2016 term

Cory Isebrand '88  
Amy Allen Kelly '85  
Stuart Fischer '84  
Rosemary Jeys Radloff '93 + Staff

##### January 2015—January 2017 term

Barbara Wernli Collins '73  
Craig Hoffman '88  
Jeff Neary '81  
Steve Wick '78

#### Scholarship Committee:

\*Chair: Kaylyn Busch Pick '88  
\*Mary Hartman '63  
Rosemary Jeys Radloff '93 + Staff  
\*Dave Copenhaver, Faculty '86—'97  
\*Mary Potter Peshek '71 + Staff '89—'97  
Cory Isebrand '88

#### Nominating Committee:

Cory Isebrand '88  
Steve Wick '78

#### Westmar Park Committee:

Chair: \*Larry and Rosemary Jeys Radloff '93 + Staff  
\*Phyllis Jacobson Mitchell '90  
\*Dixie Dahl Kooiker '67  
\*Frank Summerside Faculty '63—'93  
\*Janice Dunbar Kooiker '67  
\*Roxie Anderson  
\*Clayton Hodgson '55  
\*Dr. Wayne Marty  
\*Jeanie Ewing McDougall '66

#### Westmar Room Display Committee:

Chair: \*JoAnn Skinner Schleis, '64 +Staff '62—'67  
Barbara Wernli Collins '73

#### Archives Committee:

Chair: \*Janice Dunbar Kooiker '67

#### General Reunion Committee:

Chair: \*Janice Dunbar Kooiker '67  
Amy Allen Kelly '85  
Jeff Neary '81  
Stuart Fischer '84

#### Additional Board News:

Jeff Neary '81 and Barb Wernli Collins '73 are working on the portion of the new sports room at Plymouth County Museum that Westmar will be able to display sports memorabilia in. This is a big endeavor and will include items to be included as well as display. Display items may be rotated as they determine.

We also would like to welcome Mary Potter Peshek '71 and Staff 89—97 as a new volunteer. She will be helping in the Westmar Room display, the Archives and the Composite Picture Project. Thanks Mary.

\*are non-board members

### Wafa Dues Support These Activities:

- Work with the Iowa College Foundation to administer the Westmar Endowment Scholarship
- Help sponsor and organize Westmar reunions
- Publish Wafa newsletters
- Help maintain displays in the Westmar Room of the Plymouth County Historical Museum
- Maintain Westmar Alumni, Faculty, Staff, and Administration database
- Help maintain the Westmar Memorial Park on the former campus
- Maintain the Wafa web-site [www.westmarcollege.org](http://www.westmarcollege.org)

Do you have any Westmar items you would like to donate to the Archives or for room display?

Contact Westmar by mail or e-mail. Addresses are listed on the back of this newsletter.



Alumni News

# The Gleam

WESTMAR COLLEGE, LE MARS, IOWA, MARCH 19, 1965

## Ten Join In Selma Struggle

Five Westmar College students left Chicago Sunday for Selma, Ala., where racial troubles have set off a wave of indignation throughout the United States.

The students were attending a conference at the Ecumenical institute on Chicago's west side over the weekend.

As word of the departure spread, five more students decided to travel to Selma, leaving here Monday noon.

They are: Clark Mundhanke, Max Bochman, Roger Kruse, Ray Nicodemus, and Jim McQuiston. The five spent most of their time in Selma doing voter-registration work in conjunction with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) there. The five, all freshman, are scheduled to return to campus this week-end.

Students who have now returned from Selma are as follows: Richard Voorhees, Espanola, N. M.; Jill Ruhlman, Miller, Neb.; Mike Miller, Wells, Minn.; Ruth Nolte, Anoka, Minn.; and Curt Cox, Kalona, Iowa.

Others in the Chicago group were Dolores Dunlop, Cedar, Minn.; Paul Zeisset, Jewell, Kan.; Lynn Haynes, Pueblo, Colo.; John Dunlop, Cedar, Minn.; Donna Wright, Salina, Kan.; Sue Burman, Cedar, Minn.; and Vernie Kuglin, Bern, Kan.

While in Selma they attended the memorial service which was scheduled Monday afternoon in a football field at Selma for Rev. James Reeb, 28, Boston minister who died after a beating in Selma.

Meetings, marches, and demonstrations were held throughout the nation during the week.

Students were housed in Negro

homes in Selma during their stay.

Westmar students in Le Mars Sunday at 9:00 p.m. opened a 48-hour prayer vigil in the college chapel. The college reported the vigil was for Westmar students and residents of Selma, Ala.

Leaders were: Ray De Vogel, Rochester, Minn.; Peggy Ollman, Grand Forks, N. D.; Paul Munyon, Spring Valley, Calif.; Dr. Robert Herrick, associate professor of sociology at West-

mar; and Rev. Harold French, college chaplain. The vigil has now been continued on an informal basis.

A Westmar Human Rights committee was organized Tuesday afternoon to serve as a core of dialogue and response in the field of human relations. Elected chairman was Keith Hindman, senior. Other officers are: Eldon Reich, vice-president; Donna Wright, secretary; and Alexander Washington, treasurer.

Pennants... several have asked for these for school room décor, family rooms, offices etc.

We listened!!

Blue and Antique White Felt 18' x 8" \$10.00 each plus postage. Order online or contact the WAFA Office



Don't forget to visit the website [wafa@westmarcollege.org](http://wafa@westmarcollege.org)

### Building the Calvary Church—the Westmar College Church



Bruce Buller '55, shared several stories last year about the building of the church and some of the students that helped with it. At one of the reunions last year Bruce brought these photos to share of the building process. If you didn't get the newsletter last year, the May 2014 issue with one of the stories, will soon be posted on our website as they are each year.

This lower photo shows Warren Duit '58 sawing. It was quite a job but I think the guys had a good time too. The stories were very interesting.



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Most newsletters are now sent by email to reduce office costs of printing and postage. We send to a few who do not have email or who have a special request. Get it on line and get it in color—make the print as large as you like.

Be sure to check out our ever-changing website at: <http://www.WestmarCollege.org/>. We offer online shopping, membership, and reunion registration. Suggestions are always welcome.

**Current Members:** You will receive **only one** reminder postcard when it is time to renew your membership. Please pass the form below on to other Westmar Alum and encourage them to be a WAFA member.

**What's Happening with You? Tell Us!**

We are interested in knowing what has recently (or not so recently) happened in your life. Promotions? Marriage? Births or deaths? Honors or awards? Graduate degree? Semi- or full retirement? Pass on the information so we can print it and spread the good news!

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Class year \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse also an alum \_\_\_\_\_

Other relatives also alums \_\_\_\_\_

News (attach a separate sheet if needed ) \_\_\_\_\_

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Or complete form online at:

[www.westmarcollege.org/membership.html](http://www.westmarcollege.org/membership.html)



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Membership fee: **Single \$20.00** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Couples \$35.00** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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