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Nebraska Westmar Reunion

All Alumni and Friends Welcome, including non-Nebraskans!

Saturday, June 17, 2017

Any time after 11 a.m. - Eat at 12:30 p.m.

**St. Mark's United Methodist Church
8550 Pioneers Blvd, Lincoln, NE**

**Please bring salad and/or dessert
All else provided**

RSVP: YES or NO & number attending to:
Bill and Shirley Arnold – 402-488-8881
wa34158@windstream.net
anytime before June 1, 2017

Forward this to anyone you think might be interested
as we do not have e-mail for everyone.

Additional reunion information on [page 9](#). Reunions in Sioux Falls, SD and Denver, CO are open to all Westmar people.

And the winner is ———1960

We held a membership contest and you came through! The class of 1960 is the winner!!! They have 15.2% of their classmates as members. Other classes are:

1961—14.6% 1955—14% 1958—11.9%
1959—11%. A display representing their year in college will be a focus in the Westmar Memorial Room at the Ply. Co. Museum in June for this year.

We thank all those who took part. We depend on memberships and donations to keep the doors open and the lights on.

Scholarship Awards

Each year scholarships are awarded through The Westmar Endowment Scholarship program, managed by the Iowa College Foundation, with input from WAFA. This continues the legacy of Westmar through education.

Those receiving the presidential scholarships of \$5,000 were Amanda Hamil of Merrill who will be a freshman at Wartburg and is a niece of **Kristopher Plendl Scott '85** and staff; and Skyler Briggs of Akron who will be attending Morningside and is a child of **Derek Lee Briggs '93**.

The 'rest of the story' and the other 27 recipients are listed on page 7.

The Eagle will fly June 10th.....

We're in the home stretch for the completing the Eagle sculpture. Here is a picture of Ryan Campbell crafting the "W" in pavers and drone pictures provided by Roy Hodgson of the finished product. We hope that within the next week



the landscaping of the plaza will be completed.

Meanwhile, back at Gus Pech, Terry Utesch has been focused

on fitting the Eagle onto the end of its perch and making provisions for mounting the flag pole in the Eagle's talons. They plan to send all of the support structure parts out for powder coating this week. Terry has completed feathering the leading edges of the wings and will turn to attaching feathers to final section of the eagle - the back of its neck.

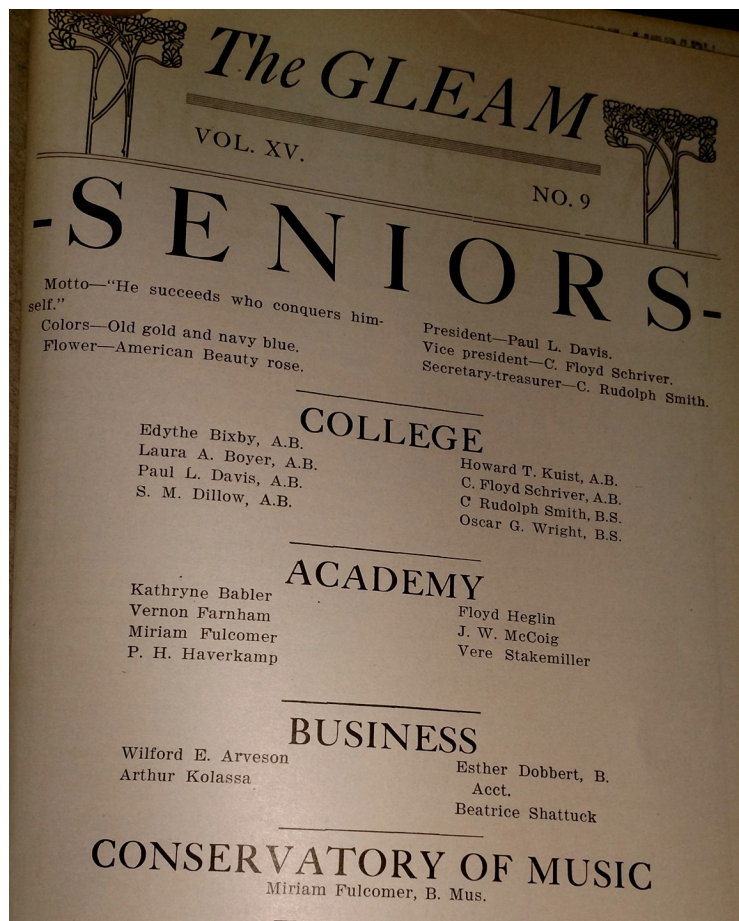
More plaza/eagle photos can be found on page 8.



During the Last 100 Years

Editors note: Wayne Marty is taking a little vacation so I went to the archives and the Gleams for some information. I thought I would find graduation photos and such, but I did not....Here are some of the things I found at the end of the college years news.

100 Years ago—1917 The graduating class



Class of 1917 continued.....

THE GLEAM

**Published the tenth of every month during the college year by the students of Western Union college.

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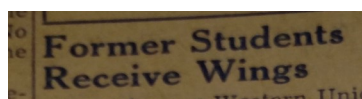
'Class Day Exercises—were held in the chapel on Tuesday afternoon before an appreciative audience. The seniors sat on the platform in their caps and gowns. This is a new feature of commencement season which has been introduced by the class of 1917, and will probably set a precedent for future years. Howard T. Kuist acted as chairman of the occasion.'

Who knew it started with the class of 1917!!

75 Years ago—1942

World War II and Westmar was training pilots in Le Mars at the airport here. They were also building airplanes.

Westmar had several industries along the way as training for students and to supplement the income.



Two former Western Union college students have recently been graduated from classes of student officers and aviation cadets.

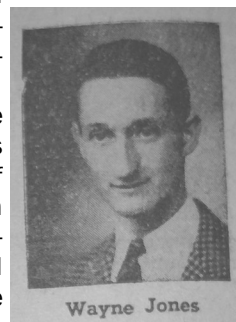
Calvin Gillespie, who was a member of the present senior class, attended Western Union for two and one-half years. Calvin graduated from Williams field in Arizona last month and has since gone to South Carolina for further training before going into active duty.



Calvin Gillespie

Wayne Jones, who was a member of the present junior class, attended Western Union for one and one-half years. He recently received his wings at Stockton Field in California.

With the completion of this work, both of these young men have been commissioned Second Lieutenants in the United States Air Force.



Wayne Jones

A man and wife, hiking in the woods, suddenly realized they had lost their way. Said the husband; "I wish Emily Post were here with us—I think we took the wrong fork."

—College Chronicle



During the Last 100 Years cont....

1942 continued.....

Impressions Of First Blackout

'Shadows enveloped the campus as Western Union college went through its first blackout on the night of December 14, 1942. Sirens heard faintly in the distance signaled the approach of darkness and later heralded the return of light to a darkened countryside. Looking out across the campus we saw the piles of white snow illuminated by the moon against a background of dark, perhaps forbidding buildings. We saw old Thoren with its steeple pointing skyward dimly outlined against a darker sky. We saw Dubs, the new gym, and the barracks appearing only as blots against a white background. Looking toward the town the almost ghostly caricatures of houses were seen. One could almost hear a low dron of heavy bombers far in the distance. The moving shadow of an air raid warden was seen as he made the rounds. Turning toward the girls' dormitory, one could hear the Christmas carols which the girls sang as the notes came out through the crystal air. Later the lights flickered and came on brightly. Once again the rooms were lighted, street lights came on, and dark corners lit up with a friendly glow of light.. It was almost hard to believe that two or three minutes ago all was still dark.

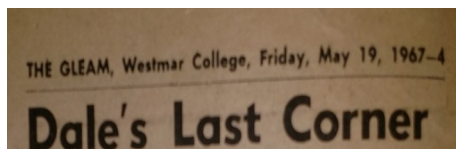
Perhaps this dark which covered the campus as well as an area of the Midwest can be likened to the darkness that the world is now in, and lights afterward of the time thereafter "when the lights come on again all over the world."

Buy War Bonds for Victory
Today!

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

We are also looking for Sports Memorabilia as well as items from other groups for display. Good copies of photos or certificates are also welcome.

50 Years Ago—1967



'Well sports fans, another athletic season is over. Success again reigns over the college. First in football for the third straight year, first in wrestling for the fourth straight year and first in track. Congratulations to **Coach Scott** and **Coach Martin** on their outstanding work this year.

Many outstanding athletes will be seeing the locker room for the last time. Heading the list are **Orval Biever**, leading scorer in the Tri-State Conference; **Roger Trulock**, first four-time Tri-State champ in wrestling; **Dave Chittenden**, first NAIA district 15 team; **Lloyd Kolker** who broke every track record conceivable in his four years at Westmar; **Joe Cathcart** who led the Eagles to prominence in tennis; and **Dave Leaming** who was outstanding in cross country and track.

Westmar has succeeded by their coaches. Although a coach sometimes is angered and afraid of losing his job because of a losing team or being criticized, no one is really out to get the coach. Athletes appreciate coaches and so do the students at Westmar.

Good luck to **Coach Marty**, **Coach Scott**, **Coach Knudtson**, **Coach Martin**, **Coach Divilbiss**, and **Coach Larson** next year. Remember that Westmar leads in everything. Sports columnists too.'

By Dale Andres

Track captains chosen by team

'**Kenneth Ogren**, Marcus, IA; **James Oplinger**, Randall, KS; and **John Bintz**, Sutherland, IA; were named the Captains of Westmar track Team for next year (1968). They were elected by a team vote.'

25 Years Ago—1992

Senior Recognition Day

By Neeta Sharma Staff Writer.

On Friday, April 24, at 10am, Senior Recognition Day was held in the Lifesports Center.

The ceremony began with the playing of "On a Hymn song of Lowell Mason" followed by "Festival March" performed by Teikyo Westmar University's Concert Band. **Dr. Colin Holman** conducted and **Norma J. Merey** was the student conductor. This was followed by a short invocation by Senior **Celia Williams** and the singing of "Festival Sanctus" and "Ain't Got Time to Die" by TWU's Choral.

Dr. Paul B. Selby, an alumnus of TWU (class of 1967) who is a research staff member of Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee, gave a very informative speech about genetic engineering and experiments conducted on mice. He humorously called his speech, "Of Mice and Men," knowing the play was produced this semester at TWU.

Dr. Deb Vandehaar-Arens then presented the Senior Class who were then recognized by Acting President, **Dr. Leon Scott**.

Following a junior tribute by Junior Class President, **Vivian Miller** and a senior response by Senior Class President, **Gwen Gymer**, Dean Scott proceeded to recognize this years' Melton Fellows, Alpha Chi, and Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Awards were presented to students for a wide variety of individual accomplishments.

Among them was **Kelvin Stewart** who received the "Social Consciousness" award for his outstanding work this year.

Commencement ceremonies will be held Saturday, May 9.

Congratulations to all graduating seniors and best of luck in the future!

Show your Westmar spirit!

Do you know classmates or other Westmar alums who are not yet WAFA members? Ask them to send information and yearly dues to the office in Le Mars to be included in future mailings. Form and information can be found on back page.



Alumni Deaths

'36 Western Union – **Luella A. Peters Crocker**, 101, of rural Correctionville, IA, died Feb 21, 2017. She taught country school in Plymouth County for 17 years. After her marriage, they moved to the farm and remained there. She enjoyed gardening, reading and playing cards.

www.siouxcityjournal.com

'38 York – **Lucille June Tonkin**, 103, of Lincoln, NE, died Apr 27, 2017. She was a homemaker and active in community, played bridge, tended her flowers, especially roses, and was known for homemade cinnamon rolls and bread. Survivors include son **Steve** '73 and his wife **Nancy (Claesson)** '73. She was preceded in death by husband **Rolland E. Tonkin**, York '38 and her twin sister, **Lois Warrick**, York '38.

www.roperandsons.com

'48 Western Union – **Mildred L "Millie" Kenny Herzberg**, 91, of Eagan, MN, died Mar 7, 2017. She taught school for more than 30 years and taught quilting classes for 15 years. She was preceded in death by her husband **Robert Herzberg**

'49. www.whitefuneralhomes.com

'50 York – **Francis William (Bill) Johnson**, 94, Denver, Co, died April 30, 2017. He attended York College and graduated from IA State. He had served in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific. He was a structural engineer and a partner in the Johnson Jamerson Associates Architectural firm in Cedar Falls, IA. The firm designed many buildings at then Westmar College including Kime, Library addition, Westmar Homes, Centennial, Memorial Dorm Connection, Bonebrake and Commons. He was preceded in death by his wife **Faith Riggs Johnson** '40. www.newcomerdenver.com/Obituary

'51 – **Ruth Vander Berg Korver**, 87, of Sheldon, IA, died April 20, 2017. She was married and taught for 10 years before starting their family, and then 21 years later she went back to school and started teaching again. She taught for 12 more years after getting a Special Education endorsement. She was preceded in death by her husband **Dr. Arian Korver**

'51. www.siouxcityjournal.com

'52 – **Rita D. Weber Delperdang**, 90, of Marcus, IA, died Apr 28, 2017. She taught at county schools for 3 years. After marriage they lived on the farm and she helped on the farm and gave a great deal of time as a volunteer in school and church. She kept a large garden and was a master seamstress. www.siouxcityjournal.com

'52 York – **James Edgar Potter**, 87, of Lakewood, WA, died Jan 16, 2017. An Eagle scout before college, he was active in drama at York and earned a spot on the schools main cheerleading squad. He was a member of the intramural championship basketball team. He served in the Counter Intelligence Corps. in the US Army. Jim had a variety of interests in different industries but his greatest joy was in education and training people in proper gun use and safety.

www.edwardsmemorial.com



'53 – **Milton "Milt" Martin**, 86 of Le Mars, IA, died May 4, 2017. He served in the US Army during the Korean War '53/'54. After teaching and coaching in SD, MN, and IA he accepted a position at Westmar in 1961. He was a teacher and coach for over 35 years. He was inducted into the US Wrestling Hall of Fame in Stillwater, OK and the IA Wrestling Hall of Fame in Des Moines. He was a member of Sertoma, American Legion, Westmar Alumni Assoc. and Le Mars Bible Church. He enjoyed reading, bridge and the St. Lois Cardinals.

www.rexwinkelfh.com

'53 – **Mary E. Schroeder**, 85, of Minnetonka, MN, died Apr. 18, 2017. Mary was a writer and co-owner of Montgomery Press.

www.WashburnMcReavy.com

'54 – **William R. Moritz**, 85, of Kansas City, MO died Jan 15, 2017. While at Westmar he played football.

www.siouxcityjournal.com

'54 – **Joy Bomgaars Langstraat**, 84, Sibley, IA, died Mar 13, 2017. She taught country school for a few years before marriage and moving to a farm. Later she worked as a secretary and then a teacher's aide at the Sibley school for 13 years.

www.andringafuneralhome.com

'54 – **Lillian Graff Kramer**, 85, Willard, MO, died April 16, 2017. She taught for 1 year before being married and then did some substitute teaching. Later she became a nurses aid. She enjoyed baking, church and family.

www.lemarssentinel.com

'55 – **Ruth M. Till Haafke**, 82, Bronson, IA, died Mar 17, 2017. After receiving her teaching certificate, she was married and stayed home to raise her family. Later she received her degree and taught first and second graders until her health forced her to quit. She was a published author.

www.siouxcityjournal.com

'55 – **Rev. Alvin H. Smith**, 85, of Seward, NE, died Dec 17, 2016. He served as a minister in the United Methodist Church until retiring in 1997. He then served the Conestoga parish for one year and then served at Friedens United Church of Christ in Seward until his passing. www.zabkafuneralhome.com

'58 – **Dallas Lee Pals**, 79, of Thornton, IA, died Feb 9, 2017. He was a teacher with a passion for coaching. He coached basketball and softball, but softball was his favorite. He was inducted into the Iowa Softball Coaches Hall of Fame in 2006. He and his wife returned to the family farm and he farmed until his death. Among his survivors are **Carla Pals** '68, **Deloris Monson**, '58, **Larry** '64 and **Darlene** '66 **Pals** and **Gary** '68 **Pals**. www.retzh.com

'60 – **Charles "Chuck" Driggs**, 78, of Le Mars, IA, died Feb 16, 2017. Chuck was a college vocational instructor in Mechanicsville, IA and later in Sheldon, IA before moving back to Le Mars. He then worked in the auto parts business. He enjoyed flying r/c planes and was a member of flying clubs.

www.siouxcityjournal.com



Alumni Deaths continued

'61 – **Joy Johnson Vogel**, 77, of Orange City, IA, died Mar 29, 2017. She taught 4th grade for 2 years and was a home-maker. She served her church as a choir director and was accomplished as an oboist playing in the Sioux County Orchestra and many Tulip Festival Night Show productions.

www.oolman.com

'64 – **Lucille Blass Pierson**, 95, Le Mars, IA, died Apr 5, 2017. Lucille taught school in Calhoun Co., IA and Remsen, IA and was also a tour escort for many years in the US and other countries. She spent several months teaching children of missionaries in Liberia and worked with missionaries in Ecuador. She was also active in her church.

www.rexwinkelfh.com

'67 – **Arnold Lyle Nebelsick**, 70, of Naperville, IL died Aug 31, 2016. He served in the US Army. Among survivors are sisters **Audrey Rice** '65 and **Ardyce Conley** attd 67/68.

www.beidelmankunschfh.com

'75 – **Carolyn Brontelle "Bronte" Borsheim Christian**, 64, of Northport, AL died Mar 30, 2017. She was the daughter of the late **James** '46 and **Ruth** '40 **Borsheim**. She also graduated from the Way Corps training with a BA in Theology. Survivors include brother **David** '70, and sister **Gretchen Schaeffer** '73 and her husband **Russ** '71.

www.myersmortuary.com

'83 – **Lynn Allen Becker**, 55, of Alpharetta, GA, died May 6, 2017. While at Westmar, he participated in Choir and Band and went on the European tour. His career began with his CPA and work in the IA Auditors Office. He was employed with Scientific Games and had a long career and love for the lottery business. www.northsidechapel.com

Staff:

Evonne Swanson, 84, of Fergus Falls, MN died Feb 7, 2017. She and her husband owned and operated the Shamrock Inn, in Spirit Lake, IA from '77 to '86. She worked as a secretary in several schools and in the Student Services of Westmar College. www.turnerfuneralhomes.com

Joyce Eberhard Treinen, 81, of Le Mars, IA, died Apr 29, 2017. She worked for a local bank and then in an office at Westmar from '87 – '90. She was active in church and enjoyed card clubs, bowling and golfing. Among survivors is a son **Jim Treinen** '86. www.rexwinkelfh.com

Board of Directors:

'63 – '80 – **Kenneth Emery Johnson**, 94, of Fergus Falls, MN, died Feb 17, 2017. He worked in the plumbing and heating business and earned his Journeyman's and Master Plumber licenses. He was active with the Gideon's, and Boy Scouts among others. Among survivors are children **Jerry Johnson** '66, and **Jacqueline Capra** '68.

www.olsonfuneralhome.com

Check out the WAFA Website for Memorabilia.
More items to be added shortly.
www.westmarcollege.org

In Honor/In Memory

Recent Donations:

Roger R. Hutchison '63 in memory of Dr. H. McGraw

Donald Featherstone '75 in memory of Milt Martin

Rebecca Franken Jauquet '68 in memory of Dorcas
Franken Donovan '78

Roberta Graling Harris '54 in memory of Emily Dufield
Ehler '54

Donations made in honor or in memory of someone give them a page in our book in the Westmar Memorial Room with picture and biographical information. Visitors look through the book and remember those on the pages. Any size donation works. A good way to memorialize someone special.

Donations can be sent to the WAFA office or made online at our WAFA website. Information on back page of this newsletter.

All donations are greatly appreciated and honor your special friends and relatives.

New WAFA Facebook Page from the WAFA office with news and announcements to keep you in touch, and up to date. Please join us at facebook.com Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association—please "LIKE" us.

Still receiving your newsletter by mail? If you have an email address, please consider helping us cut costs by allowing us to send a link to the newsletter file on the internet. We will email the link to you and you will be able to read the newsletter as long as you have the free Adobe Reader program. You will also be able to print a copy if you choose.

Alumni News



A group of Westmar friends got together in Mesa, AZ this winter. They are (from left to right) **Patty Adams Sneller** ('78), **Paul Sneller** ('75), **Bill Weber**, Admissions Director from 1973-1977), **Carla Swanson Weber** (attended one year, 1978), and **Julie Johnson Dirks** ('75).

'58 – **Wendel Thompson** writes from Catonsville, MD that they are nearing 3 years in a retirement home (Charlestown Community Inc) and loving it immensely.

'66 – **Ron Hines** writes from Seattle, WA that and his wife **Lois (Bistline)** as retired Methodist pastor and spouse, will move in June to Pilgrim Place, Claremont, CA, an intentional senior community of religious and charitable workers. They celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on Feb 26th. Daughter Kirsten Hines lives in Coconut Grove, FL and son Adam lives in Ft. Lauderdale, FL. They will be joining the **Dwight Vogels** and **DarEll Weists** at Pilgrim Place.

'61 – **Richard "Dick" Mills** writes from Tulsa, OK that he retired in 2007 from a career in ophthalmology. His wife **Diane (Kranzler)** '60, was his financial manager. They have 3 sons, one in St. Louis, one in Indonesia (a missionary), and one in Tulsa. They also have 5 fantastic grandchildren.

Thank you! We very much appreciate all of you that take time to send in information about obituaries you may have seen. What's Happening in your lives and other news items that others may find interesting. It's what makes this newsletter work and we Thank you!

We also need your help to keep our data base current. Since losing Alumni Research we have no way to check addresses, emails, phone numbers etc. When any of your information changes, please remember to let your WAFJA office know. We'd appreciate it!

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Thank you for supporting Westmar

Don't forget to visit the website (www.WestmarCollege.org) for your membership needs. You can also register for the reunions online or print a form to mail. Keep us posted when you move or get a new email address also.



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Alumni News

Scholarship Awards

The Westmar Endowment Scholarship program, managed by the Iowa College Foundation, with input from WAFA are continuing the legacy of Westmar. Three types of scholarships are awarded annually. This year two Presidential awards of \$5,000 each are awarded to incoming College Freshmen with a minimum GPA of 3.0. \$1,000 awards, and \$500 awards are awarded to those of all college grade levels with a minimum GPA of 2.5.

The most qualified students are select according to academic merit, commitment to community service, and leadership qualities. Priority is given to students living in eight Northwest Iowa counties and who have a Westmar connected family member (parent, Aunt, Uncle, Grandparent or gr. Grandparent) who were an alumni, faculty, staff, or administrator of Westmar College or its predecessors.

This is one of the largest scholarship programs in Northwest Iowa. Since 2001 it has provided over \$622,500 in scholarships. This year \$34,000 will be awarded to 29 recipients – students who will be attending an Iowa private college or institution.

Receiving \$1,000 scholarships were: Emma Van Meeteren, grandchild of **Lois Ione Van Meeteren** '60; Nicholas Bomgaars, grandchild of **Dorothy Marguerite Bomgaars** '67; Amy Tuttle, child of **Lynette Ann Tuttle and Daniel Mark Oswald** '89; Samantha Hoekstra, grandchild of **Sara Sue Allen** '59; Anna Bierma grandchild of **Henrietta Van Maanan Vanden Bosch** '46; Katherine Bomgaars grandchild of **Dorothy M. Bomgaars** '67; Mitchal Van Gorp child of **Anna Maria Van Gorp** '91; Miranda Moss child of **Maurice David Moss** '71; Nic Madsen grandchild of **Adrienne Valentine** '97; Trenton Hilbrands grandchild of **Hilda Harriet Snuttjer Hilbrands** '51; Destiny De Hoogh grandchild of **Sheldon Keith Weinert** '68; Molly McInnis child of **Gregory Steven McInnis** '92; Trevor Westhoff child of **Kevin Lee Westhoff** '86; Victoria Clausen child of **Matthew John Clausen** '87; Kristen Hubert child of **Joel Maurice Hubert** '90; Kelsay Parrott child of **Brian Fred Parrott** '92; Trey Valentine nephew of **Randy Martin** '80 and grandchild of **Ann Margaret Kreommendyk** staff '80-'85; Holly Schneider child of **Thomas Michael Schneider** '91; Josiah Horstman grandchild of **Carol Jean Van Kalsbeek Oostra** '68; Samantha Vander Velde grandchild **Evelyn Alvina Deirks** '72; Tanner Hilbrands grandchild of **Hilda Harriet Snuttjer Hilbrands** '51.

\$500 scholarships were given to: Joshua VandenBerg grandchild of **Terrence** '78-'79 and **Janice Christensen** '66; Jordyn Oostra grandchild of **Carol Jean Oostra** '68; Ann Pater child of **Priscilla Ellen Holling Pater** '89; Jolee Linden, Tyler Paulson and Courtney Van Beek.

If you are planning a reunion, please let us know and we will list it in the WAFA newsletter, our Facebook page and on our website. We can also help with sending an email to your classmates or providing addresses. We also love pictures of reunions no matter how large or small and be sure to include information and names. We will share them!

Order T-Shirts Now.....for summer's fun!

You never know who you might meet that has also been to Westmar or knows someone who has.

Great for reunions. See pictures on page 9. Order online at www.westmarcollege.org or contact the office. Sizes S,M,L, X-L are \$15.00 and XXL, XXXL are \$18.00 plus postage—or order to pick-up in Le Mars.

(We will have a new one available in different styles and with an Eagle similar to the new sculpture available at the dedication and after! It's a secret but if you contact the office I think they will let you in on it!)



Tom Olsen sends this photo of a long distance reunion.

Michele (Stearns) Olsen '76) Olsen and her husband, **Tom**, of Sioux Falls, SD enjoyed a tour of Australia and New Zealand this spring. **Carole (Christensen '77)** and **Howard Payne** '76 traveled from their home in Maryborough to meet them in Melbourne. Howard moved to Australia following graduation and Carole joined him four years later so they enjoyed reconnecting after 41 years.

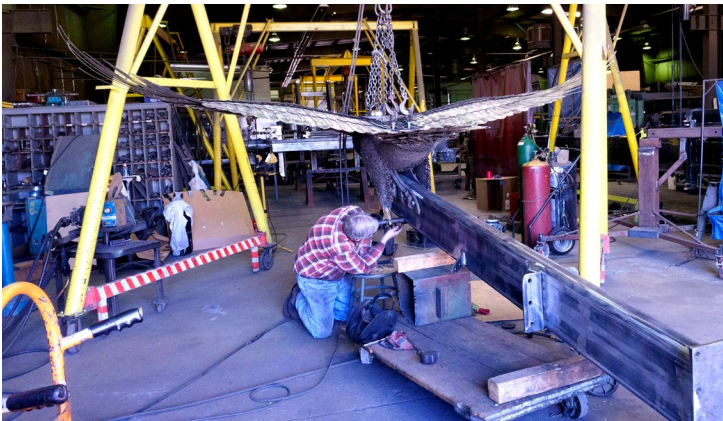


ALUMNI NEWS—Cont.

Eagle Sculpture cont.



Terry Utesch works on the eagle sculpture. He is the artist/sculptor of this amazing metal eagle. It weighs 1400 lbs., the wingspan is 14 feet. From beak to tail is 6' 8", and the height from talon to wingtip is 5' and talon to shoulder is about 3 feet. It will "fly" 15 feet above the park!!!



If you haven't already made plans to attend the Dedication and Reception—Mark your calendar now!!

June 10th at 4 PM will be dedication at the site in the Westmar Memorial Park followed by a reception in the Le Mars Convention Center (Westmar Commons) in the lower level. At the reception 4:30 to 6:30, a video will show the making of the Eagle, you can meet the sculptor and the donor book will be on display. Light refreshment and a cash bar will be available.

Reservations are suggested. Please call or text 712-546-8759 or email WAFA@westmarcollege.org

Sports Room

We will be adding more sports items and we have inventoried over 250 films from sports, mostly football. Range is 1959 to 1994 so far. Goal is to digitalize some of them so they may be available.

If you have a tape that copies could be made from or know someone who does, please let us know. If you have a digital copy that would be even better. We would love to have a copy to share with others. As our Athletes are getting older, they would love to show the films of their college days to friends and family. Help us make this happen. A special request has been for Westmar VS Northwestern with Westmar the winner!!!

Donations to the sports room that have recently been received have been. Thank you for adding to our display.

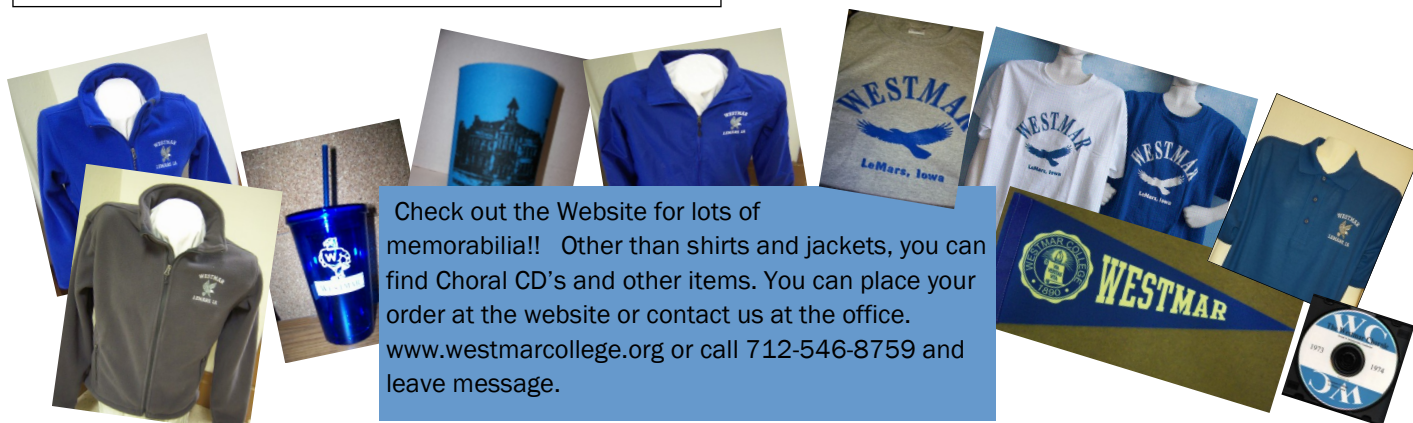
Letter Jacket from **Kent Pauling, '74** football.

Wrestling uniform was donated by **Joel Huffman '82** to the Milt Martin family and they brought it to WAFA. We also have Joel's All American Picture in our Sports Room.

The Conover family donated pictures, a shirt and other items that belonged to **Allen Conover '67** who played football for Westmar and was killed in a car accident in Jan.1967 as a freshman. A trophy was donated at that time to be awarded to the most valuable freshman players of the year.

WAFA Dues Support These Activities:

- Work with the Iowa College Foundation to administer the Westmar Endowment Scholarship
- Provide Alumni & contact assistance for 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



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