

Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association

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Marilynn Forsberg is a 57-year resident of Spring Lake Park where she and husband Fred raised four sons, each being a graduate of Spring Lake Park High School. She is a 41 year member of the Spring Lake Park Schools District School Board and is currently the second longest serving active school board member in Minnesota.

Marilynn served the board as chairperson or vice chairperson for 21 years, clerk for 4 years, treasurer for 1 year, and director for 14 years. Marilynn has attended more MSBA training sessions than any other school board member in Minnesota, the most since MSBA has been keeping records of training attendance. She has served as liaison to all schools and on nearly every school community committee, council and task force that exists.

In addition to serving on the SLP School Board, she currently serves as the Chair of Northeast Metro 916 Intermediate School District, 916's representative to the Association of Metropolitan School Districts, is a member of the board of her church's school and child care center, is a member on the 7 county IEIC Help Me Grow board, and is secretary of her homeowner's association.

Marilynn has received all awards and honors available from the Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA) - Director's Award, President's Award, 40 Year Service Award, Arlene Bush School Board Member of Distinction Award, and Minnesota School Board Member of the Year (MSBA All-State School Board). She has served as chairperson of the Association of Metropolitan School Districts, vice chair of Equity Alliance (EMID), on the MSBA Board of Directors and on the Panther Foundation Board of Directors. She was once honored with WCCO Radio's Good Neighbor Award for her volunteer work.

Marilynn is a 1959 graduate of Westmar University and a retired medical technologist. She began her "school career" as a paraprofessional at Spring Lake Park Schools Kenneth Hall Elementary School.

https://www.springlakeparkschools.org/discover/schoolboard/meet-the-school-board

Westmar 50 Year Reunion

Please join us on **June 17, 2023**, to observe 50 years of Title IX, Women's Sports at Westmar, and our 1973 State Basketball Championship.

We extend an invitation to All Westmar Coaches, Westmar Graduates who coached women's athletes, and all Westmar Alumni.

Wanda and Dave Chittenden, Sarah Jane Bobier Huff, and Dr. Wayne Marty '53 are planning to attend. We hope you can join us for this historic event and reminisce about the good old days.



Saturday Schedule for June 17, 2023

8:30-9:00am—Former Westmar coaches, women athletes, & 1973 Basketball Team meet in lower level of the Convention Center (Westmar Lower Commons) to ride in Le Mars Ice Cream Days Parade

10:00am –Le Mars Ice Cream Days Parade (Downtown Main Street)

11:30am—Meet in Lower Level Commons for reunion program and luncheon

2:00pm—Pictures and reminiscing

3:00pm—Campus & Westmar Museum Tour by Dr. Wayne Marty

If you have any questions, please contact:
Jeralyn (Dunn) Volkert '75
<u>jeralyn8@yahoo.com</u>
Marilyn (Hardersen) Murra '75
<u>cmmurra@schallertel.net</u>

Registration form on page 7 of the newsletter. Please RSVP to WAFA no later than <u>June 7</u>, 2023. Thank you!

General

DONATIONS

January 2023 - March 2023

William & Shirley Armold

\$0-\$49 1/12/2023

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1/12/2023	Kathleen Muth Hawkins	General
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1/12/2023	Robert & Marian LeCount	General
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3/31/2023	Robert & Jane Kolbe	General

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

Please consider making your own donation to WAFA. WAFA relies on these donations to keep the office open.

We greatly appreciate it!

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

From the Iowa College Foundation

Recipient	Amount	Westmar Relation
Abigail Tilberg	\$5000	'65 Lester King
Kryn Vander Berg	\$5000	'60 Eldon Vander Berg
Addisyn Weiland	\$5000	Jason Weiland (attended)
Miyah Whitehead	\$5000	'90 Ervin Whitehead
Kyle Brighton	\$1000	'87 Mark Brighton
Patrick Gottburg	\$1000	'86 Lisa Zellmer Gottburg
Ellie Hilbrands	\$1000	'51 Hilda Snuttjer Hilbrands
Daniel Hinds	\$1000	Le Mars
Kenna Kasel	\$1000	Le Mars
Kaitelin Konz	\$1000	'59 Jerry Becker
Rachel Langel	\$1000	'92 Allen Pick (niece)
Jack McInnis	\$1000	'92 Gregory McInnis
Taylor Meyer	\$1000	'95 Daryl Meyer
Sophie Ruden	\$1000	Le Mars
Brady Van Meetere	n \$1000	'60 Lois Funk Van Meeteren

Congratulations to all the award recipients!



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1/12/2023	Linda Stauffer	General
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1/30/2023	Larry & Darlene Pals	General
1/30/2023	Allan & Jean Vrieze	General
2/16/2023	Daniel Wierda	General
3/6/2023	Darwin Dirks	General
3/6/2023	June Holzwarth James	General
3/6/2023	Joan Hilgenfeld Zoeller	General
3/6/2023	Ruth Wood	Memorial
3/16/2023	Roger Hutchison	Memorial
3/28/2023	Dale Klocksiem	General

A great gift idea is a membership to WAFA!

Since the organization is called Westmar Alumni and Friends Association, anyone can join. Do you know someone who isn't a member? Please give us the name and address, and we will send them a complimentary issue of the WAFA newsletter.

You may also send in the registration fee, and we will add them to our registration list so that they may start receiving the WAFA newsletter.

Alumni Deaths

- '45—Joy Rieckmann Bramson, 101, of Moville, IA, passed away on January 7, 2023, at Pioneer Valley Living & Rehabilitation of Sergeant Bluff. After graduating from Westmar with a two-year teaching certificate, she taught grade school in Swea City, IA, for several years. In 1947, she married Robert T. Bramson. They lived in Pierson, IA, where they published the Pierson Progress newspaper. Eventually, they purchased the Moville Record and combined the two newspapers. They also moved to Moville at that time and published the two papers until 1974. She was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and was a member for 66 years. Joy is survived by her 2 sons, 6 grandchildren, and 9 great-grandchildren. https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/siouxcityjournal/name/joy-bramson-obituary?id=38620516
- '49—Ruth Witt Arnett, 92, of Fillmore County, MN, passed away on February 24, 2023 at her home. She attended Westmar and also took a correspondence course from the University of Minnesota. In 1951, she married Harvey Rahn, but he passed away in 1998. In 2004, she married Ralph Arnett. Ruth held a number of jobs including babysitting, working in a grocery store, a turkey processing plant, and apartment manager. She was very active in her church, participating in Women's fellowship, Sunday school, VBS, and several others. Ruth is survived by 2 sons, 1 daughter, 3 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, and 2 brothers. https://fillmorecountyjournal.com/ruth-arnett/
- '50—Leora "Lee" Hess Susemihl, 95, of Le Mars, IA, passed away on January 15, 2023, at Floyd Valley Healthcare in Le Mars. After graduating from Westmar with a two-year teaching certificate, she taught school for nine years in northwest lowa. In 1956, she married Arnold Susemihl, and they made their home on a farm west of Merrill. During that time, she returned to Westmar and graduated with her bachelor's degree in 1971. After they retired from farming in 1977, she returned to teaching until 1992. She was active with her church as well as local organizations. Her family was always busy with family activities including holiday gatherings and Sunday dinner. Lee is survived by 2 sons, 1 daughter, 7 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, her sister, and several nieces and nephews. https:// www.lemarssentinel.com/story/2980497.html
- '53—**H. Aliene Nielsen Schluchter**, 91, of Tucson, AZ, and formerly of St. Cloud, MN, passed away April 2, 2023, in Tucson. She attended Westmar where she met the love of her life, Del Schluchter. She graduated with an elementary education degree in 1953, and the two were married in 1954. After moving around the Midwest, they settled in Fargo, ND, where their children were born.

- The family settled in St. Cloud, MN, in the early 1970s. She took her teaching career of impressing young minds very seriously. Retirement took them to Arizona where they quickly joined a church. She was also active in organizations and met many friends throughout the years. They loved to travel while enjoying watching their family grow. Aliene is survived by 1 son, 1 daughter, 4 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/tucson/name/h-schluchter-obituary?id=51641925
- '56—Beth Hoeppner Schmied, 88, of Cary, NC, passed away on April 19, 2023. After graduating from Westmar, she married the love of her life, Robert Schmied. They had 52 wonderful years together. They lived most of their married life in Des Moines, IA, and moved to NC in 2008. She was active in PEO, her churches, and many more activities. She had a successful modeling career, which continued into her eighties. Books were her passion, and she enjoyed traveling, crochet, her grandchildren, and spending time at their cottage in Clear Lake, IA. Beth is survived by 1 son, 1 daughter, 7 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/heraldsun/name/beth-schmied-obituary?id=51696329
- '57—Evan Knapp, 88, of Cherokee, IA passed away on March 8, 2023 at Careage Hills Nursing Home in Cherokee. After graduating from high school, he attended Westmar College where he lettered all four years in football and track and graduated with a degree in education. After graduation, he moved to Cherokee where he taught 8th grade for the next 35 years. He also coached football, basketball, wrestling, and track. Plus, he was involved in officiating those sports. He was recognized throughout his career by many professional groups. His love of history and the Civil War took him on a new journey after teaching where he presented interactive programs to schools and communities along with his wife, Nancy, as "the Civil War Soldier." Evan is survived by 1 son, 1 daughter, 4 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 2 stepdaughters, 2 step grandchildren, and a sister and brother-in-law. https://www.chronicletimes.com/articles/obituary/evanknapp
- '59—William Robert Wood, 85, of Lubbock, TX, passed away on July 27, 2022. Two years after graduating from Westmar, he married Ruth Bernhardt. In 1968, he joined the School of Music faculty at Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, where he retired after 31 years. He was an active member of the Portales Kiwanis club for many years as well as an active member of his church. He started the handbell program at the church in 1980. His handbell choirs

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became an important part of his life, playing not only for church and ENMU, but also on tour for trips to area and national handbell festivals. He held several positions with national handbell associations and founded the Eastern New Mexico Handbell Festival from 1993 to 2011. In retirement, the couple traveled extensively in the US and Europe, and he enjoyed genealogy work. He loved and cherished his family, his church family, and his many friends. Bill is survived by his wife, Ruth of over 60 years, 1 son, 2 daughters, 6 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/25480165/william-bill-robert-wood

'62—Kenneth Henry Kommes, 87, of Fort Dodge, IA, passed away on February 19, 2023, at Friendship Haven. He graduated from Westmar with his teaching certificate in American History, World History, American Government, Physical Education, Driver's Education, and his coaching endorsement. After college, he enlisted in the Marine Corps serving for 3 years. He married Erlene Thompson in 1959. He spent most of his teaching career in Catholic schools. When they moved to Fort Dodge, he was the school counselor. He later became Dean of Students and was interim principal for a time. He was passionate about golf and ran the senior league for a few years. He was also an avid New York Yankees fan who rarely missed watching a game. Ken is survived by 2 sons, 4 daughters, 13 grandchildren, 10 greatgrandchildren, 1 brother, and 3 sisters. https:// www.messengernews.net/obituaries/2023/02/kennethkommes/

'63—Robert Frankhauser, 82, of Farmington, MN, passed away on February 4, 2023. After graduating from Westmar, he joined the military where he was stationed at Fort Meyers, VA, and worked at the Pentagon where he was part of the Special Security Office that received messages from Vietnam. These messages were forwarded to the White House. Then the White House sent messages to the Special Security Office, which were then forwarded to Vietnam. While in the DC area, he met the love of his life and wife of 57 years, Florence Giles. After the military, they eventually returned to MN, where he retired from Dakota Electric Cooperative after 29 years working as an accountant. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends, birdwatching, feeding the birds, tending to his flowers, and above all else reading his Bible. Bob is survived by his wife Florence, 3 daughters, 11 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/sun_thisweek/name/ robert-frankhauser-obituary?id=44926549

'63—**Charles Rodney Pfaffle**, 83, of Roswell, GA, formerly Sachse, TX, passed away at home on February 28, 2023, from renal cancer. Upon graduating from Le Mars Central High School, he spent six months at Ft. Leonard

Wood for basic training, returning to Le Mars to attend Westmar and Monday night meetings for the next three years in the National Guard. He graduated from Westmar with a B.S. in secondary education and married Rona Dehart the same year. He spent his career teaching and coaching football, girls' basketball, and wrestling. In retirement, he continued to be an avid reader and bridge player. He loved spending time outdoors both in gardening and fishing. He lived his faith and was a "family" first kind of man. Chuck is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Rona, 1 son, 1 daughter, 4 grandchildren, 1 sister, and many nieces and nephews. https://www.lemarssentinel.com/story/2989681.html

'65—Jeanette Freiberg Throckmorton, 79, of Stanton, NE, passed away on February 19, 2023, at Stanton Health Center as she was preparing to watch her favorite church service from Sunnybrook Community Church in Sioux City, IA. Following her college career at Westmar, she worked as a law clerk in Stanton. In 1968, she married Sherman W. Throckmorton joining his family of four children. Over the years, the family lived in Beatrice, Osceola, and Stanton. While living in Beatrice, she worked for the Water Works as a bookkeeper. When they moved, she chose to be a stay-at-home mom. Jan is survived by her 4 children, 13 grandchildren, and 27 great-grandchildren, 1 brother, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. https://norfolkdailynews.com/ obituaries/jeanette-throckmorton/article_940a577c-b3a4-11ed-aa60-cf984e27967a.html

'67—Sandra McCarty Mischke, 79, passed away on April 13, 2023, at the Washakie Medical Center with her loving husband by her side. While attending Westmar to get her degree in elementary education, she met a dashing young man in their "Introduction to the Bible" class. In 1964, she married Charles Mischke, and they moved to Dubois, WY, where they started their teaching careers. Despite not yet having her degree, she was hired to teach first grade due to the large class sizes. After six years there, they moved to Worland where they still reside. She retired after 33 years of teaching but substituted for another 10 years. They shared their love of the outdoors with their children, and she also enjoyed her dedication to her faith, singing in the church choir, cooking, baking, and spending time with her six grandchildren. Sandi is survived by her beloved husband, Chuck, her devoted "therapy" dog Gus, 1 son, 1 daughter, 6 grandchildren, 3 brothers, 1 sister, and many nieces and nephews. https://www.wyodaily.com/ story/2023/04/20/obituaries/sandra-annemischke/14291.html

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'68—Margaret Kock Pecks, 101, of Le Mars, IA, passed away on January 10, 2023, at New Perspective Senior Living in Prior Lake, MN. After graduating from high school, she earned a normal teaching training certificate, which allowed her to teach. She later continued her education at Westmar where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in education. She taught elementary school in Le Mars for 35 years before retiring in 1984. In 1942, she married Bernard Pecks at St. John's Lutheran Church in Le Mars where she was a member. Eventually, she moved to MN to be closer to her family. She loved spending time with her family and friends. Margaret is survived by 1 daughter, 6 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren, 1 daughter-in-law, and 1 sister-in-law. https://www.lemarssentinel.com/story/2979622.html

'91—Galen Lee Bruhn, 53, passed away unexpectedly on April 15, 2023 at UnityPoint Health—Trinity, Bettendorf, IA. After obtaining his bachelor's degree from Westmar, he spent his career working in human resources. He was a sports guy who enjoyed participating and watching everything. He grew up playing all sports and even played basketball at Westmar. In 2006, he married Mary Reimers, which introduced him to fatherhood through her two children. Even when they later divorced, he remained a strong and loving presence in their lives. Galen is survived by 1 sister, 1 sister-in-law, former wife, 2 nephews, 1 niece, 1 step-son, 1 step-daughter, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends. https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/galen-bruhn-obituary?id=51658580

MEMORY/HONOR BOOKS

Making a donation in someone's name who is deceased places that person's information in a special section of our *MEMORY* book on a stand in the Westmar Room. The page will also include donor names.

Donations may also be made in *HONOR* of someone living, with Westmar ties. A page will also be entered for that person in that section of the book.

Each page includes a photo, if possible, and a biographical sketch. Additional donations are added to the bottom of the page.

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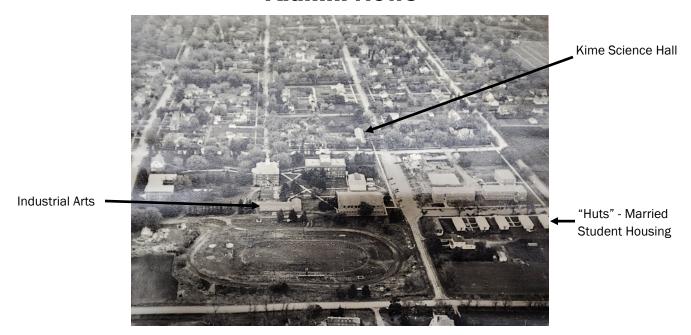
'67—Marilyn Hawkins Rendon spent her career as a special education teacher and a K-12 substitute teacher. She retired in 2021.

'73-Barbara Radloff Boeke has moved around a lot in the 50 years since graduating from Westmar. After marrying Dr. Nick Boeke in August 1973, they moved to Kansas City, KS, where she completed her teaching certificate at William Jewell College. In 1975, they moved to Englewood, CO, where she taught music at the Denver Theological College. Their daughter was born in 1977. After moving to IA in 1978 (twin boy and girl born in 1980), they moved to MN in 1982. Another daughter was born in 1984. Another move occurred in 1992 to PA where she taught music at a music studio and was active in church music. She was a member of the Erie Symphonic Chorus from 1995-1997, and she sang with the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus in 1997. From 1999-2002, she taught K-12 music. Another move in 2002, and she sang with the Indianapolis Opus Chorus from 2003-2011. She sang with the Philadelphia Orchestra Chorus from 2016-2018. Finally, they moved to Durand, MI, in 2017 where she is a semi-retired pastor's wife with a few private music students.

'65—Anita Harrison Ervin graduated with a BA in Music Education. She was WUS and Homecoming Queen at Westmar, besides singing lead in the operas, Cosi Fan Tutti and Hansel and Gretel, directed by Dr. Larry Day. She married Jerry Wilson in 1964. In the fall of 1965, she began teaching music in Brighton, CO. A daughter was born March 2, 1966, and she went back to teaching at the end of the month. Fall of 1966 saw her teaching music at a junior high in Greeley, CO. She resigned when her son was born in 1969. From 1970-2000, she taught full-time in Eaton, CO. Besides music, she taught elementary physical education (2/3 time music, 1/3 time PE). In 1981, she and Jerry divorced, and she married Bob Ervin in 1982, bringing two boys with him. He was also a teacher and a coach, and they retired after the 2000 school year. Their children are all married, and they have 11 grandchildren. They are members of the United Methodist Church in Windsor, CO, where she still sings solos. And now in her 80th year, she still walks 2-3 miles 3 times a week and is in good health. She believes she is richly blessed!



Alumni News



On November 4, 2022, The Le Mars Sentinel had a headline, with a picture, stating "City-owned YMCA Annex building declared surplus property." My first thought was that the old building has been surplus before - just 75 years ago. After WWII, Western Union College acquired nine surplus "barracks" buildings that were declared surplus as the activity was reduced at the Sioux City Air Base.

A two story "barracks" building was combined with one single story building to make the L shaped "Old Science Building" that was occupied and first used in the Fall of 1947. Biology, Chemistry and Physics classes and labs had previously been located in Thoren Hall. The Biology Department moved into the upper floor, and Physics into the lower floor of the two story portion and the single story wing provided space for Chemistry laboratories and a shared lecture room. Some will also remember the well-equipped Hershberger Dark Room at the bottom of the spiral stair case at the north end of the Chemistry Lab.

After the new Kime Science Hall was constructed in 1967, the building transitioned at various times, into use by Development, Psychology, Mail Room, Admissions Office, Financial Aid Office, and Education. The entire building was demolished in February 2002 after Westmar closed in November of 1997, so it was used for 50 years and only stood idle a few of its last years.

Five single story "barracks" were used for married student housing - "the huts" - as the WW II Veterans were released from service, getting married, starting their families, and funding their Education through the GI Bill of Rights. Each building contained two apartments so housing was provided for 10 families, and they were located south across the street

from the Memorial-Koehler Men's Dormitories. They were also scheduled to be occupied in the Fall of 1947 but lack of plumbing fixtures delayed occupancy and many had to find temporary housing for a few months. All of these "huts" were demolished in the 1960's when Westmar was growing and new buildings were being constructed, including the married student apartments that are still being used now, 25 years after the college closed.

Two single story "barracks" buildings were combined into a T shaped building and began its use for Industrial Arts in the Spring Semester of 1948. The Top of the T to the east provided space for drawing and drafting and the Leg of the T provided space for the Wood Construction projects and finishing. The drawing and drafting portion of the building was demolished in the 1980's to make room for the construction of the Wellness Center. CAD (Computer Aided Drawing) was booming, and Robotics was rapidly changing the Industrial World.

Funds were shrinking at Westmar, and the Industrial Arts Department was phased out in 1991. At about that same time, Tarkio College from Missouri had closed and many Faculty and students from their well-known Drama and Dance program became part of Westmar. Hard wood floors and railings and glass mirrors were installed in "the Old Wood Shop" for Dance Instruction. This use continued until the college closed in 1997, and then it became an Annex building for the YMCA and Le Mars Recreational Program. The last remnant of the 1946 surplus buildings is now SURPLUS AGAIN! It has served well.

Written by Wayne Marty

Westmar Reunion - Observing 50 Years of Title IX, Women's Sports at Westmar, & 1973 State BB Championship						
Registration Form — Please return by June 7, 2023						
NameFirst	Last	Class				
Address						
City, State, Zip						
Telephone	Cell Phone					
E-mail	(to	receive last minute updates and details)				
Saturday lunch: Lower-Level Commons	@ \$20.00 each \$	TOTAL ENCLOSED \$				
Make checks payable to WAFA and send to	: WAFA 335 First Avenue SW Le Mars, IA 51031					

Motel and Camping Information – RESERVE EARLY

In Le Mars

Holiday Inn Express: http://www.hiexpress.com 63 rooms, (pool, hot tub, exercise room, fridge & microwave, continental breakfast) 712-546-1700. holidayinnexpresslemars@outloook.com

Baymont Inn: http://www.baymontinns.com 62 rooms, (pool, hot tub, fridge & microwave, continental breakfast) 712-548-4910. baymontinnslm@gmail.com

LeMars Inn: http://www.americasbestvalueinn.com/ 59 rooms, (pool, hot tub, fridge available, microwave in lobby, continental breakfast) 712-546-8800 lemarsinn@gmail.com

Amber Inn: 70 rooms, (fridge available, continental breakfast) 712-546-7066. amberinnlemars @yahoo.com

Willow Creek Campground (at Municipal Park, water and electric, sewer dump site) 712-546-8360 or 712-540-4984

Near Le Mars

Marcus—20 miles east of Le Mars on Hwy 3

Hometown Guesthouse, www.hometownguesthouse.com 207 Eagle Ave. 712-376-4844; gedwards8294@gmail.com

Orange City—16 miles Northeast of Le Mars, 12 miles on Hwy 60 then left on Jackson Ave. for about 4 miles to Orange City

Sioux Center—19 miles north of Le Mars on Hwy 75

Sioux City—25 miles south of Le Mars on Hwy 75 Has many motels. Check this site. http://www.visitsiouxcity.org/where_to_stay.php

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Kristin Olson: Executive Director Staff of volunteers

Please contact me with any questions about membership, newsletter, Facebook page, reunions, or anything else you may think to ask. Call me at 712-546-8759 or email me at wafa@westmarcollege.org. Thank you!

Please keep us posted when you move or get a new email address or phone number. We no longer get updates unless <u>YOU</u> let us know. Email Kristin at wafa@westmarcollege.org with the updated information.

Also check the **MISSING** link on the website for any friends of yours for whom we are missing current information, email addresses included. It would be greatly appreciated!

Thank you!

Show your Westmar spirit!

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

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

Please be sure to pay your renewal dues to ensure that you will receive the next issue of the newsletter.



