

Kentucky Wesleyan College

Parent Newsletter



Happy Spring 2012 semester! Students are nearing the completion of their first month of the new semester and are well into exams and term papers. Several have expressed how much they are already looking toward Spring Break! Only one month away!!

We recently conducted our most popular trip by taking nearly 100 students skiing at Paoli Peaks. This event, along with our monthly Midnight Movies, continue to be our most requested student activities.

Upcoming Dates of Interest

- February 14 KW Idol
- February 16 KWC basketball hosts Northern Kentucky University
Wind Ensemble mini-concert
- February 21 KW Idol
- February 22 Career Development hosts Speed Mock Interviews
Readings from plays by African-American playwrights
- February 23 KWC basketball host University of Southern Indiana
Panther Pianists @ Park Regency
- February 24 Midnight Movie
- February 25 Admissions Open House
- February 28 KW Idol Finale
Career Development Spotlight Career Fair
- February 29 An Evening with Novelist & Screenwriter Lee Goldberg
- March 1 Panther Pianists @ Elizabeth Munday Senior Center
- March 3 KWC baseball hosts Hillsdale
- March 4 KWC baseball hosts Hillsdale
- March 6 Think Fast Game Show
- March 7 Greek Awards Banquet
- March 8 Panther Pianists @ Heritage Place
- March 10 KWC softball hosts Drury
- March 11 KWC softball host Missouri S&T
- March 12-16 Spring Break

Congrats to Fall 2011 Dean's List!

KWC's Academic Dean Dr. Paula Dehn and the entire KWC community celebrate high achieving students each semester by awarding Dean's List status to full-time students who achieve a 3.5 or higher GPA.

Congrats to the 190 following students who achieved Dean's List status for Fall 2011!

Elizabeth Aldrich – Poquoson, VA	Tiffany Clark – Philpot, KY
Amanda Aldridge – Westview, KY	Ashley Clever – Ashland, OH
Sara Atherton – Calhoun, KY	Cory Coble – Madisonville, KY
John Austin – Owensboro, KY	Crysta Coble – Madisonville, KY
Anthony Barkley – Maceo, KY	Ethan Coursey – Owensboro, KY
William Barnes – Princeton, KY	Summer Crick – Owensboro, KY
Danielle Barnett – Louisville, KY	Edie Cripps – Owensboro, KY
Jonathan Batts – Boonville, IN	Paige Crook – Madisonville, KY
Stacie Baugh – Falls of Rough, KY	Siera Crowe – Evansville, IN
Katherine Behrens – Florence, KY	Tiera Crowe – Evansville, IN
Lauren Bennett – Owensboro, KY	Katelyn Daugherty – Owensboro, KY
Cassandra Best – Radcliff, KY	Madison Dayberry – Morganfield, KY
Josephine Beyke – Carterville, IL	Rebecca Dixon – Rome, IN
Haleigh Bickett – Philpot, KY	Andrew Donovan – Littleton, CO
Nathan Black – Paducah, KY	Dustin Duncan – Owensboro, KY
Madalynn Bogle – Terre Haute, IN	Christopher Durrance – Nortonville, KY
Kali Bonner – Carterville, IL	Courtney Durrance – Nortonville, KY
Clay Booth – Georgetown, KY	Haris Dzaferbegovic – La Grange, IL
Katelyn Bowles – Mount Sterling, KY	Callie Eaves – Powderly, KY
Tabitha Bratcher – Beaver Dam, KY	Calvin Eaves – Providence, KY
Ryan Brewer – Owensboro, KY	Taylor Edge – Philpot, KY
Chelsea Brothers – Indianapolis, IN	Aaron Elder – Whitesville, KY
Katelyn Broughton – Georgetown, KY	Joshua Elder – Whitesville, KY
Lacey Brown – Hawesville, KY	Taylor Elliott – Owensboro, KY
Eric Brumfield – Hardinsburg, KY	Kaleb Enix – Louisville, KY
Justin Bush – Philpot, KY	Olivia Erb – Utica, KY
Jamie Byars – Central City, KY	Ciaran Fairman – Dublin, Ireland
Jonathan Calvert – Owensboro, KY	Andrew Farr – Newburgh, IN
Joshua Campbell – Owensboro, KY	Sydni Fazenbaker – Madisonville, KY
Destinee Carden – Owensboro, KY	Jaimie Fike – Rockport, IN
Brandon Castner – Easton, PA	Cathy Fitzhugh – Utica, KY
Samantha Cecil – Livermore, KY	Tracy French – Owensboro, KY
Katherine Champion – Owensboro, KY	Shalana Friend – Owensboro, KY
Sakara Chandler – Dixon, KY	Mary Fulkerson – Louisville, KY
Celsey Chapman – Owensboro, KY	Jordanne Gambill – Wilmington, OH
Joseph Chappell – Dawson Springs, KY	Shane Garde – Concord, NC
Courtney Chinn – Hartford, KY	Elise Gilkey – Owensboro, KY
Hayley Chrzastowski – Bloomington, IN	Lauren Goffinet – Tell City, IN
Brittany Clark – Philpot, KY	Colin Gold – Henderson, KY

Krystin Goodwin – Newburgh, IN
Elizabeth Griffith – Owensboro, KY
Danielle Hadler – Medina, OH
Macey Hallstedt – Grand Rapids, MI
Laura Hannah – York, SC
Michael Hellmueller – Louisville, KY
Shala Heppler – Henderson, KY
Patrick Hibbs – Madisonville, KY
Jon Higdon – Philpot, KY
Amanda Hinton – Hardinsburg, KY
Coty Horn – Owensboro, KY
Hannah Ison – Owensboro, KY
Tyler Jarboe – Lewisport, KY
Jennifer Jeffries – Garfield, KY
Austin Johnson – LaGrange, KY
Christi Joiner – Madisonville, KY
Jason Jones – Rockport, IN
Justin Jones – Dawson Springs, KY
Michael Kincaid – Owenton, KY
Tina Kirk – Versailles, KY
Joseph Kramer – Owensboro, KY
Paige Kramer – Owensboro, KY
Brittany Lane – Oak Grove, KY
Tara Lee – Owensboro, KY
Susan Lesmeister – Livermore, KY
Guo Li – Changsha, China
Sabrina Lindsey – Hawesville, KY
Nicolette Logsdon – Lawrenceburg, IN
Yingshang Lu – Li Shui, Zhejiang, China
Collin MacQuarrie – Owensboro, KY
Jeffrey Martin – Owensboro, KY
Ariel McCrady – Owensboro, KY
Jerold McDonald – Owensboro, KY
Allen McKee – Bowling Green, KY
Madison McKinney – Midland, NC
Emma Medlen – Owensboro, KY
Preston Middleton – Owensboro, KY
Bryan Miley – Cloverport, KY
Cody Moore – Bremen, KY
Philip Moore – Owensboro, KY
Jayden Morrison – Port Franks, ON
Tiffany Murphy – Calhoun, KY
Sasha Nies – Owensboro, KY
Thomas Norris – Henderson, KY
Morgan Oakley – Owensboro, KY
Brianna Outland – Hopkinsville, KY
Christopher Owen – Evansville, IN

Anna Owens – Rockport, IN
Raley Owens – Owensboro, KY
Taylor Owens – Owensboro, KY
Andrea Payne – Philpot, KY
Joseph Payne – Philpot, KY
Stephanie Pearson – Robards, KY
Mason Pennington – Henderson, KY
Savannah Pepper – Princeton, KY
Nancy Pettibone – Owensboro, KY
Jonathan Phillips – Rockport, IN
Shelby Phillips – Wheatcroft, KY
Jessica Pierce – Philpot, KY
Melissa Pinhal – Hermitage, TN
Ryne Pinkston – Henderson, KY
Andrew Pirruccello – Hebron, KY
Christopher Pope – Owensboro, KY
Mary Powell – Greenville, KY
Regina Powers – Owensboro, KY
Hannah Priest – Louisville, KY
Trevor Ralph – Philpot, KY
Jordan Rickert – Louisville, KY
Brittany Roark – Russellville, KY
Emily Robbins – Owensboro, KY
Emily Rogers – Bowling Green, KY
Kristen Rowe – Burkesville, KY
Traci Sanders – Brazil, IN
Timothy Schueler – Louisville, KY
Alicia Scott – Owensboro, KY
Samantha Shultz – Reynolds Station, KY
Carl Sims – Owensboro, KY
Angel Skaggs – Owensboro, KY
Clarissa Smith – Greenville, KY
Daniel Speer – Owensboro, KY
Peter Stoll – Newark, OH
Michael Stone – Erwin, NC
Barry Sweatt – Bowling Green, KY
Andrew Taylor – Concord, NC
Judy Thomas – Owensboro, KY
Shelby Timm – Mt. Vernon, IL
Jessica Torsak – Murray, KY
Paige Troutman – Aurora, IL
Jacob Tucker – Owensboro, KY
Rachelle Vargo – Owensboro, KY
Christian Vasquez – Queens, NY
Meredith Veal – Henderson, KY
Julie Vickers – Owensboro, KY
JeanAnne Wagner – Lewisport, KY

Courtney Wallace – West Paducah, KY
Rebecca Walters – Morganfield, KY
Samuel Waninger – Rockport, IN
Savannah Warren – Owensboro, KY
David Wathen – Philpot, KY
Virginia Weant – Salisbury, NC
Jordan White – Morgantown, KY
Heath Williams – Madisonville, KY
Ryne Williams – Madisonville, KY

Shelby Williams – Utica, KY
Bailey Wilson – Sellersburg, IN
Matthew Wilson – Columbus, IN
Kevin Winter – Greenville, KY
Samantha Woods – Eminence, KY
Monica Young – Owensboro, KY
Josiah Zachary – Slaughters, KY
Patricia Zivkovic – Strongsville, OH

Seeing the World in 2012

*"It is almost impossible to describe the feeling
of stepping into one of the world's most beautiful cities
knowing you are about to have the time of your life."*

Two Kentucky Wesleyan students are studying abroad during the Spring 2012 semester -- one in London and one in Austria -- and will be periodically blogging about their experiences. Brief bios and links to each blog are below. Join us as we follow their journeys!



Chelsea Adams is a junior from Louisville, Kentucky. She is majoring in Communications with an emphasis in Advertising and PR and is involved in Kappa Delta Sorority, SAPB, Phonathon, KWC Ambassadors and WKWC. She is spending the Spring 2012 Semester in London.

- [Read her first post](#)

- [Catch up on all of her adventures](#)



Krystina Lindsey is a junior from Horse Branch, Kentucky. She is majoring in English with an emphasis in Literature and is part of Sigma Kappa sorority and the Wesleyan World Travelers. She is spending the Spring 2012 Semester in Austria.

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Kentucky Wesleyan College to Award Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics

Owensboro, Ky. (January 13, 2012) - Using funds provided by a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF), Kentucky Wesleyan College has initiated a program to increase the number of graduates in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). Scholarships up to \$6,000 per year will be awarded to selected incoming freshmen and new transfer students pursuing a degree in a STEM discipline.

For information on award criteria and how to apply, please visit the KWC website at www.kwc.edu/stem and/or contact Dr. Evelyn Hiatt at 270-852-3158 or ehiatt@kwc.edu.

Application deadline for incoming freshmen is Friday, January 27. The application deadline for new transfer students is Thursday, April 12.

Kentucky Wesleyan College Hosts Senior Art Exhibit

Owensboro, Ky. (January 30, 2012) – Kentucky Wesleyan College is hosting the Senior Art Exhibit of Cherish Deeg from January 31 – February 17 in the Ralph Center of the Arts Gallery. The Opening Reception will take place on January 31 at 7 p.m.

Wesleyan Chamber Singers to perform at General Conference

The Kentucky Wesleyan Chamber Singers, directed by Professor Paul E. Oakley and Professor Dennis Jewett, have been invited to sing during Higher Education night at the General Conference of the United Methodist Church on Monday, April 30 (5 - 7 p.m.) in Tampa, Florida.

"It is an honor we do not take lightly," said KWC Chaplain and Director of Church Relations Rev. Kent Lewis. "We are proud that we are going to have the chance to represent Kentucky Wesleyan College before the delegates of General Conference."

The General Conference is the top policy-making body of The United Methodist Church. The 1,000-member assembly meets once every four years to consider revisions to church law and adopt resolutions on current moral, social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for churchwide programs for the next four years.

Lewis also announced that the Kentucky Wesleyan Singers will be traveling during the spring semester to worship with different churches and perform in concert. Here is their confirmed schedule as of January 20, 2012:

- Sunday, February 12: Settle Memorial United Methodist Church (Owensboro), AM Worship Services
- Sunday, February 19: Greenville United Methodist Church (Greenville), AM Worship Services
- Sunday, February 26: St. Paul United Methodist Church (Louisville), AM Worship Services
- Sunday, March 4: Centenary United Methodist Church (Lexington), AM Worship Services
- Sunday, March 4: St. Luke United Methodist Church (Lexington), PM Concert
- Sunday, March 11: Barrett United Methodist Church (Memphis, TN), Tour Concert
- Sunday, March 18: Brentwood United Methodist Church (Brentwood/Nashville), AM Worship Services
- Sunday, April 1: Carnegie Hall, New York, NY
- Sunday, April 15: First United Methodist Church (Frankfort), AM Worship Services

Career Development provides interview, networking experience

Thanks to Kentucky Wesleyan's Career Development office, students will have several chances this semester to prepare for life after graduation. Scheduled events include speed-mock interviewing, networking, career fairs and a business etiquette luncheon that gives students tips on how to properly handle a business meeting over a meal.

" All Career Development events are designed to teach skills and provide valuable 'real life' experience for the seniors as they prepare to graduate," said Margaret Cambron, director of career development for Kentucky Wesleyan. "This experience increases their confidence -- a very attractive characteristic to a potential employer."

"These events help the student sharpen many of their soft skills, such as communication, professionalism, people skills and a positive attitude."

The mock interviewing and networking events make use of alumni and community members in a non-threatening environment. "I am very appreciative not only of the local business community and KWC alumni for giving of their time and expertise in helping our students, but also for our faculty members who realize the importance of learning these skills and require their seniors to attend," Cambron said.

Business attire and RSVPs to mcambron@kwc.edu are required for several of the events.

The Career Development Office on the second floor of the Barnard-Jones Administration Building also gives advice to students and alumni on job searches, cover letters and resumes, and other career issues.

A list of scheduled events for the semester is below. To get a feel for these events, you can visit the [Career Development website](#) for photos and videos of previous events.

Spring 2012 Events

February 22

Speed Mock Interviews and Networking Event

Rogers Hall and Jazzman's, 5:15 - 8 p.m.

- Open to Seniors

- Reservations and interview attire required -- email mcambron@kwc.edu

March 28

KWC Spring Career and Internship Fair

Open to all students and alumni

Rogers Hall, 1 - 5 p.m.

- Dress for success and bring updated resume

April 25

Business Etiquette Luncheon

Rogers Hall, 12 - 2:15 p.m.

- Open to Seniors

- Reservations and interview attire required -- email mcambron@kwc.edu

KEN STOKLOSA AND QUADARIUS WALLACE NAMED TO ALL-COMMONWEALTH FOOTBALL TEAM

Senior defensive duo chosen for Kentucky honors

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Feb. 6, 2012) — Kentucky Wesleyan College's Ken Stoklosa and Quadarius Wallace have been named to the 2012 All-Commonwealth honorable mention team as selected by the Kentucky Chapter of the National Football League Players Association Hall of Fame.

Stoklosa, a 6-foot-1, 244-pound, senior linebacker from Palos Hills, Ill. (St. Rita HS), led KWC with 75.5 tackles including 62 solos in 10 starts. The second team All-Great Lakes Football Conference selection also had 6.5 tackles for loss and one sack.

Wallace, a 5-foot-11, 205-pound, senior defensive back from Union, Miss. (Union HS), led the Panthers in sacks with four and tackles-for-loss with 12. He finished second in tackles with 73 and earned second team All-Great Lakes Football Conference honors.

This marks the ninth season the organization has presented the team, designed to honor outstanding players from college football teams around the state of Kentucky.



DAMARUCS GANAWAY SIGNS WITH NEW YORK JETS

NEW YORK (Jan. 23, 2011) – Former Kentucky Wesleyan wide receiver DaMarcus Ganaway signed a reserve/future contract with the New York Jets, according to Jets general manager Mike Tannenbaum.

Ganaway, a 6-foot-2, 185-pounder from Indianapolis, Ind., finished his career at Kentucky Wesleyan with 214 receptions for 2,653 yards and 22 touchdowns in 40 games with 34 starts.

During his senior season in 2010, he led the Panthers with 68 receptions for 1,035 yards and 10 touchdowns, earning Receiver of the Year for the Great Lakes Football Conference.

He earned his bachelor's degree in fitness and sports management in 2011.

Kentucky Wesleyan's living legend

Joel Utley is living his childhood dream and has been for the last 51 years.

The Kentucky Wesleyan men's basketball radio play-by-play announcer grew up loving radio and listening to St. Louis Cardinals' games with his father in Madisonville, Ky.

"I was fascinated by those word-pictures that came out of that box," Utley said. "Of course, that was in the days before television got going. I never wanted to do anything else than be a radio broadcaster."

As a young boy, Utley envisioned his hero -- Hall of Fame baseball player Stan Musial -- hitting home runs out of Busch Stadium as he acted out his own broadcasts of Cardinals' games using earmuffs for a headset, a shoebox for an amplifier and a stuffed sock for his microphone.

After college, Utley moved to Owensboro, Ky., to work at the local radio station, which also happened to be the home for Kentucky Wesleyan basketball games.

In the basketball-obsessed Blue Grass State, the Panthers had an outstanding college-division team, and Utley was asked to call their games beginning in December 1961.

Little did Utley know a half a century later he would still be the "Voice of the Panthers." Fifty-one years and more than 1,451 games have passed since that first broadcast, and Utley is still pinching himself about the opportunity.

"It has been a marvelous experience for me," Utley said. "I never thought at the time I would stay as long as I have. Nobody has been more blessed to have this opportunity."

During his time behind the microphone, Utley has called 13 NCAA Division II championship games, including eight times when Kentucky Wesleyan raised the national title trophy (1966, 1968, 1969, 1973, 1987, 1990, 1999, 2001). But the most memorable championship for Utley was undoubtedly the program's first in 1966.

"We had played Southern Illinois University twice that year in the regular season and the last time they beat us by 20 points at home," Utley said. We ended up playing them for the national championship and defeated them, 54-51. That stands out to me."

In addition to the eight NCAA championships, the Panthers participated in six consecutive national title games from 1998 to 2003.

"It is an unbelievable story for a school and community our size to sustain championship caliber teams over decades and decades with various coaches and hundreds of players," Utley said.



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-- Kentucky Wesleyan announcer Joel Utley

Utley began calling the games solo in 1961, and been alone on the Panthers' broadcasts since then, but does not suggest that technique for everyone.

"Unlike football and baseball, in basketball broadcasting you do not have a lot of dead air," Utley said. "Things flow pretty rapidly so calling games alone never bothered me."

Kentucky Wesleyan sports information director Roy Pickerill met Utley as a student manager for the basketball team. The two bonded as roommates on road trips, and Utley would ask Pickerill to help to research records and notes. Pickerill eventually became the school's sports information director, a position he has held for 40 years.

"[Joel's] a legend," Pickerill said. "He's indescribable. When he talks in the pregame show, he still gives you the person's spelling of their last name. He still does it the old school way and people appreciate that.

"You're listening to the game, but he makes it so visual, it makes it seem like you're there at the game. He's telling you what's going on through his eyes, but he is very detailed and good at describing the action that people can imagine in their minds."

Utley, 72, also called games for local high schools when he wasn't doing Panthers' games, but now that he is retired, Kentucky Wesleyan basketball is the only thing on his plate.

"He would do the games for free," Pickerill said. "We do pay him, but even if we didn't, he would still do them. He lives for Kentucky Wesleyan basketball. He bleeds purple and white. He is so dedicated. He comes over and watches practice almost every day ... he can't get enough."

Taping every game since the 1970s, Utley enjoys listening to the recordings on the way home after road trips. While he doesn't remember ever having to take a night off because he lost his voice, Utley does recall a few bouts with the hiccups -- one in particular.

"One of the worst experiences I've had was when we were playing Lewis University years ago, and I had the hiccups," Utley said. "My wife and I listened to it driving back to Owensboro and laughed the whole way. That was one of the most unusual experiences, and it lasted the whole blasted game."

While Utley's love of his job has never wavered, there certainly have been some changes in both Division II basketball and technology over his 51 years.

"The level of talent that we now see at the Division II level is far superior to what it was and of course the coaching is better," Utley said. "As far as the game itself, there is so much physical contact now. My dad was a high school basketball official and as a kid, I would go to games with him. If you just touched somebody, it was a foul. Now, guys can get run over on the court and sometimes it isn't called.

"The game is so much faster and the athletes are bigger and stronger. It is entirely different from what I saw when things were first evolving."

Also, the days of Utley's voice only being heard over the radio waves in Owensboro are long gone.

"In the past the signal hardly got out of the county," Utley said. "It is quite a different matter now with the Internet. Our player who is from Australia's parents listen even though there is a 15-hour difference. It's amazing."

Utley has no plans of retiring any time soon as long as he remains physically and mentally sound.

"I've never worked a day in my life behind that microphone," Utley said. "It is absolutely something I love."