

# Kentucky Wesleyan Today

THE OWENSBORO INQUIRER  
OWENSBORO, KY., TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1951  
SECTION B 10 PAGES

## Kentucky Wesleyan College Opens Orientation Week Will Include Many Activities



### Welcome, Wesleyan To Your New Owensboro Home

The day toward which Owensboro has looked expectantly for many months has arrived, and this city throws open its arms to welcome Kentucky Wesleyan College, its students and faculty members, into the one great family that is Owensboro. Thirty-four thousand strong, Owensboroans say "Welcome, Wesleyan, into your new home, and welcome students and faculty! May your months and years as a part of the good life that is Owensboro be happy and prosperous ones."

### Welcome, Wesleyan To Your New Owensboro Home

The day toward which Owensboro has looked expectantly for many months has arrived, and this city throws open its arms to welcome Kentucky Wesleyan College, its students and faculty members, into the one great family that is Owensboro. Thirty-four thousand strong, Owensboroans say "Welcome, Wesleyan, into your new home, and welcome students and faculty! May your months and years as a part of the good life that is Owensboro be happy and prosperous ones."

Owensboro and Owensboroans worked hard to provide you, Wesleyan, with a new home. They went out on a limb, so to speak, and promised that if an agreement were made to move you to this metropolis of Western Kentucky, these people who are Owensboroans, and their good neighbors in Midwestern Kentucky, would raise \$1 million to help defray the cost of making possible a new home for you.

### An Open Field Is Tomorrow's Wesleyan

Today it is only a few acres of open field, but tomorrow it will be the site of the new Wesleyan College. The site is a gift from the Owensboro community, and it is a fitting tribute to the city's long history of education. The new building will be a landmark in the city, and it will be a source of pride for all Owensboroans.



... Celebrating 50 years in Owensboro



*Rae Keith shares graduation joy and excitement with her family.*

# Kentucky Wesleyan Today

Summer 2001

- 2 Around the Cupola
- 6 *Changing Lives* Campaign Update
- 9 Alumni News
- 10 Alumni Weekend 2001
- 12 Roger Hayes -  
the component of success  
*by Berry Major '60*
- 13 Celebrating 50 years - a reunion
- 14 Congratulations Graduates
- 16 Celebrating 50 years in  
Owensboro  
*by Roy Pickerill '75*
- 20 Starting a college  
*by Joyce Ann Evans*
- 22 Study Abroad  
*by Rebecca Schofield Glenn '94*
- 24 Eight is Great  
*by Roy Pickerill '75*
- 26 Panther Tracks  
*by Roy Pickerill '75*
- 28 Class Notes
- 32 Back Page - Imagine that . . .  
*by Joyce Ann Evans*

## Kentucky Wesleyan Today

Dr. Wesley H. Poling, President

Ron McCracken, Vice President for Advancement

Kathryn Farmer, Director of Public Relations

**Roy Pickerill '75**, Assistant Director of Public  
Relations/Sports Information Director

**Berry Major '60**  
Director of Alumni Relations

Joyce Ann Evans, Assistant Director of Development

**Publisher:** Ron McCracken

**Editor:** Kathryn Farmer

**Contributing Writers:** Joyce Ann Evans,  
Kathryn Farmer, **Rebecca Schofield Glenn '94**,  
**Berry Major '60** and **Roy Pickerill '75**

**Contributing Photographers:** Joyce Ann Evans,  
Kathryn Farmer, **Berry Major '60**, Ron McCracken  
and KWC Archives.

**Kentucky Wesleyan Today** is published three  
times per year by Kentucky Wesleyan College. The  
magazine's mission is to maintain ties between the  
college, its alumni and all other constituents, and to  
report on issues of importance to these groups.  
Address correspondence to: **Kentucky Wesleyan  
Today**, Public Relations, Kentucky Wesleyan  
College, 3000 Frederica Street, Owensboro, KY  
42301. Phone: (270) 926-3111; FAX: (270) 926-  
9360; email: kfarmer@kwc.edu

**Postmaster:** Send address changes to:  
Public Relations, Kentucky Wesleyan College,  
3000 Frederica St., Owensboro, KY 42301

*Front Cover: The front page of the Owensboro Inquirer,  
September 25, 1951, announces the official arrival of Kentucky  
Wesleyan College to the community of Owensboro. Reprinted  
with permission of the Messenger-Inquirer.*

## Awards presented to faculty and staff



Shirley Davenport



Marisue Coy '69



Jim Welch

Kentucky Wesleyan College recently recognized a staff member and two professors for their outstanding contributions to the college for the 2000-2001 academic year.

Shirley Davenport, library secretary, was named Outstanding Staff Member 2001. Davenport began part-time with the college in 1971 as education secretary. In 1979 she began working full-time in her current position.

**Marisue Coy '69**, was presented the President's Award for Teaching Excellence and Campus Leadership 2001. In addition, she received the Outstanding Teacher Award, as determined by student vote. Coy is assistant professor of English and coordinator of the Writing

Workshop program, and PLUS Center director. She joined the college faculty in 1978. Coy received a M.S. from Western Kentucky University.

Jim Welch received the Academic Advising Award. Welch has been with KWC since 1989. He is professor of business administration and management and was recently appointed associate academic dean. Welch also serves as director of the Leadership Studies program, president of the Great Lakes Valley Conference and is the NCAA faculty representative. Welch earned a B.S. from St. Cloud State University, a M.B.A. from Mankato State University, a M.A. from the University of Iowa and an Ed.D. from Vanderbilt University.

## Library receives exceptional Kentuckiana collection

Kentucky Wesleyan College recently received a collection of 1,090 books about Kentucky and Kentucky history from Betty Wilson. Her late husband, William L. Wilson, an Owensboro attorney, spent many years assembling the collection. The books have been arranged in their new home in the Winchester Study, located just off the Heritage Room of the Library Learning Center. The college is pleased to be able to house an important resource for scholarship.



Dr. Wesley H. Poling, William L. Wilson Jr., Sally Wilson Plain and Betty Wilson (seated).

## Panel discusses women in ministry

The Religion and Philosophy Club sponsored a panel discussion on the topic "Women in Ministry." The discussion focused on responses to a documentary chronicling the fundamentalist takeover of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville and the firing of Dr. Molly Marshall for her stand on ordaining women. The panelists, consisting of Rev. Paige Williams, a United Methodist minister; Rev. Cindi Banks, an Episcopalian priest; Dr. Judy Skeen, a Southern Baptist religion professor; and Miranda Christy, a senior Southern Baptist KWC student headed for divinity school, wrestled with the biblical and theological issues involved.

Those who oppose the ordination of women refer to a few passages that imply that only men are to assume positions of leadership in the church. The panelists presented their views on scripture, noting that general themes of inclusion and equality must inform the interpretation of any particular passage. The consensus seemed to be that the exclusion of women from ordained ministry "did not sound very much like Jesus."

"This is another example of the contribution a college makes to its students and community. The panel discussion provided a forum for the open examination of the ideas that shape us," said Mike Fagan, academic dean.

[www.kwc.edu](http://www.kwc.edu)

## Combs inducted into Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame

**Virginia "Shorty" Harris Combs '22** was inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame posthumously on April 12, 2001. She



was inducted on the first ballot of nomination, a rare accomplishment. Accepting the honor on behalf of Mrs. Combs were her daughters Jan Combs Trosper, **Carol Combs Daughtery '51** and Connie Combs Kincer. For many years, Combs wrote a column for *The Mountain Eagle* of

Whitesburg, Ky., a weekly newspaper. In her weekly column, "Family and Friends," which was signed simply "Virginia," she wrote about the

small happenings in the community — births, deaths, marriages, honors, who had whom to dinner and little things about herself. Her columns contained wise sayings, home remedies and political commentary, plus Whitesburg happenings. She passed away on July 9, 2000, at the age of 99.

## Helen Thomas shares view of White House



Helen Thomas, columnist for Hearst Newspapers, was the guest speaker for the Ed Ryan lectures this spring. She shared her thoughts about the White House, from John F. Kennedy to George W. Bush, to an overflow crowd in Tapscott Chapel.

Thomas told attendees that if being president is the most important job in the world, watching the president is a close second, even if that means uncovering and reporting unpleasant things.

In 1943, following a string of journalism jobs after graduating from college, Thomas joined United Press International and the Washington Press Corps where she served 57 years as White House bureau chief.

During those years she covered nine presidents. As senior White House reporter, Thomas was usually given the first shot at the president during news conferences and she earned a reputation among her peers of being a tough questioner.

“We were proud to have a person of this renown stature as our 2001 Ed Ryan Lecturer. The standing-room-only crowd indicates that not only the campus, but the community at large enjoys the lectures and programs Kentucky Wesleyan frequently offers,” said Dr. Wesley H. Poling, president. “We feel privileged that she answered our invitation to speak and share inside stories of the presidents with whom she has worked, as well as the trials of being a White House correspondent.”

Born in Winchester, Ky., Thomas also shared her delight in coming to Kentucky Wesleyan College and marked this visit as a return to her Kentucky roots in tribute of her parents.

## KWC and community get a taste of Judaism

The Jewish Studies Program of Kentucky Wesleyan College presented “A Taste of Judaism,” led by Dr. Robert Taxman, a graduate of the Pararabbinic Program of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. This program is an introduction to the basic tenets of this historic religion, designed to increase greater understanding and correct mistaken beliefs. While Christianity owes its birth to Judaism, many Christians still hold misconceptions concerning the actual beliefs of Judaism.

“Taxman discussed several important passages from Jewish documents from the Torah (the first five books of the Bible) to the Mishnah (interpretations of the early rabbis) to Jewish philosophers,” said Mike Fagan, academic dean. “He engaged the audience in a journey of discovery, and I believe everyone loved the trip.”

## Senior gift

Members of the 2001 Senior Cabinet met to “tour” the Campus Community Center currently under construction. The 2001 Senior Gift of over \$1700 will be used to purchase furniture for the courtyard of the new center. This group tour made history as they became the first students to set foot in the Campus Community Center.



## KWC on the road

Through a program created by the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities (AIKCU), you can own a KWC license plate and support Kentucky’s independent higher education institutions. Each of the nineteen member colleges and universities of AIKCU will have license plates individualized for their college.

A contribution of \$10 from the sale and renewal of each license plate will be donated to the college represented on that license plate. So, when you buy



a KWC plate, the college will receive a \$10 donation to the general scholarship fund from your purchase.

Applications for a KWC license plate are available

through any county clerk office in Kentucky and AIKCU. The cost of the license plate is \$50 for the first year. This includes an application deposit of \$25, a \$15 registration fee and a \$10

donation to KWC. The annual renewal fee will be \$25 (a \$15 registration fee and \$10 donation.)

At total of at least 900 plates from all colleges must be ordered for the plates to be produced. In the unlikely event that this minimum is not obtained, the \$25 deposit will be refunded.

Please direct all questions about the independent higher education license plates to AIKCU at 502-695-5007.

## Scholars honored



The James Graham Brown Scholarship 5th annual recognition banquet was held in Louisville at the Brown Hotel this spring. Fourteen students were awarded the James Graham Brown Scholarship, the most prestigious scholarship award given by Kentucky Wesleyan to incoming freshmen. The scholarship is supported by substantial gifts from the James Graham Brown Foundation of Louisville. Honorees include: Sarah Lawrence, Stacy Todd, Brandy Reynolds, Jennifer England, Kendra Pardue, Emily Samples, Tabicia Culbertson, Miranda Sunday, Reese Smoot and Nathan Yelton. Not pictured: Jennifer Adams, Brooke Bangston, Kyle Riley and Laura Sparks.

## Student athletes in action

Members of KWC's football team volunteered to be "buddies" at the Special Olympics event in Owensboro this April. At this event, special Olympians compete in athletic events and are awarded ribbons and medals, hugs and encouragement. As buddies, the football players help the athletes get around to their next event or to the awards stand to receive their honor.

The football team has volunteered for Special Olympics for the last seven years and in that time they have learned that they win the real reward. "I tell our guys to check out the effort these people are making," said John Johnson, head coach. "It's awesome."

In a similar program, mem-

bers and coaches of the KWC men's and women's soccer teams are local volunteers for TOPSoccer, a nationwide program that provides disabled children an opportunity to play soccer. Working as "buddies," soccer team members are encouragers, helpers and mentors to players.

"Just seeing the smiles on their faces makes it worth it to me," said Jason Dillow, a KWC junior from Owensboro. "It's great to see them have an opportunity to play soccer and to have a good time doing it... Every week, I notice improvement."

These KWC athletes have learned the real meaning of giving and receiving.



A special Olympian and buddy Brian Price, a junior from Franklin, Tenn.

## Oak and Ivy inducts new members

Six Kentucky Wesleyan students were inducted into the Order of Oak and Ivy, an honor conferred upon students who exhibit spiritual leadership and intellectual ability in seeking to promote the interest and welfare of the college. Congratulations to these inductees: McCray Ashby, Jason Indestad, Erica Hines, Erin Rastede, Karissa Krahwinkel and Kelly Nelson.



## Project 2012

During the spring semester, 61 KWC students assembled in teams at 12 local elementary schools (over a two days) to put on a simple Spanish fair for first graders. This project, planned and implemented by four education students, engaged the children in fun activities – such as learning the Mexican hat dance, creating paper mache' flowers, making Mexican pin wheel flags and busting a donkey piñata. Not

only is this a learning experience for the children, it is a classroom learning experience for the student organizers and volunteers.

Each year, KWC students and faculty organize an event for children in Daviess County Public Schools who graduate in the year 2012. As a part of the DCPS Graduation 2010 program, KWC is a sponsor of the Class of 2012.



Chris Ellen Lamb, a senior from Morganfield, Ky., helps students unfold paper mache' flowers.

**Leadership Day 2001**  
**November 6**  
**Captain Scott O'Grady**  
**U.S. Air Force F16 pilot shot down and rescued in Bosnia**

## Loud and Clear Dance Party USA at KWC

The Religious Activities Committee of Kentucky Wesleyan College sponsored a Christian music concert on the front lawn of campus in April. The *O.C. Supertones* was the headlining band on the "Loud and Clear Dance Party USA" tour, which featured special guests *Switchfoot* and *Relient K*. Funded by a grant from the Kentucky Annual Conference of

the United Methodist Church, the concert was organized and led by KWC students involved in campus ministries who saw this event as a campus and community outreach effort. Several hundred KWC students and church youth groups attended the concert – even youth groups from Louisville, Evansville and Nashville.



KWC students Kendra Pardue and Clay Allison, with friend Kyle Lewis (center) take a break backstage after helping set up for the concert.

## Can you "Belize" it?

Eight students "gave up" their spring break to participate in the 14th annual marine biology field trip to Belize, a crown jewel of the western Caribbean. Led by retired professor Don Davenport, this six-day class included snorkeling over the 2nd largest coral reef in the world and two trips inland to view the rain forest, jaguars, howler monkeys and Myan ruins. The highlight of the trip – swimming with five and six foot long nurse sharks and feeding sting rays.

Students pay \$1,300 for the class field trip. This includes airfare, van and boat fees, lodging and food. Anyone interested in sponsoring a student for the marine biology class should contact the Development office at 270-926-3111, x5120.



Back row: Geoff Payne, Charles McCaslin, Jack Perkins, Don Davenport, Molly Carpenter and Jeff Rumage.  
Front row: McCray Ashby, Emory Main and Cathy Canfield.

## On mission to France



Twelve students and three representatives from the Kentucky Wesleyan College campus ministries department participated in a mission project in Nice, France May 17-30. The project, called "MAY DAYS 2001," was hosted by the International Baptist Churches in Nice, St. Paul de Vence and Cannes.

MAY DAYS was an evangelistic campaign for the primary purpose of growing, encouraging and building English speaking international churches along the Cote d'Azur. The KWC campus ministries team worked with missionaries Roy and Janet Miller and Bruce and Belinda Mewbourne. The students took part in many activities which included Bible distribution, forming a choir and singing in nearby villages, performing dramas and skits, prayer walking, helping with children's activities, participating in church members' "in home" Bible studies and taking leadership roles in worship services on Sunday mornings.

Participants were: **Kent Lewis '98**, KWC campus minister, Cindy Pelphrey, B.S.U. director, Kathy Lewis, Kara Belcher, Katrina Coomer, Jessica Culver, Charity Flener, Jamie Foulks, Kamille Krahwinkel, Karissa Krahwinkel, Charlie McCaslin, Matt Hughes, Leland Civils, Clay Allison and Jeremy Vincent.

## NASDAQ, Greenwich Village, MOMA and more

Eighteen students, five instructors and other friends of Kentucky Wesleyan participated in the 26th annual New York City trip.

Business, theatre and urban studies students spent a week visiting such well-known sites as Staten Island, the Empire State Building, Greenwich Village and the Metropolitan Museum of Art (MOMA). In addition, they toured NASDAQ, the United Nations, popular theatres, television studios, Hale House, J.P. Morgan Library, Central Park, the World Trade Center and saw seven Broadway shows (a New York must).



Melanie Degenhardt, Karissa Krahwinkel and Lindsey Adcock at the Native American Museum.

# It's all about *Changing Lives*

An update on The Campaign for Kentucky Wesleyan College



## Does changing a life really matter?

The *Changing Lives* campaign continues to move forward, steadily gaining momentum in reaching the \$20 million goal by this December. With 88.3% of the campaign complete, the college has attained 87.5% of the campaign goal – all due to the generosity of many donors. Donor support is the key ingredient to the success of this campaign.

What makes a donor want to give? Ask **Jack Wells**, a 1975 KWC alumnus who recently gave the campaign a \$150,000 gift. As chairman of the board of trustees of Kentucky Wesleyan and Daviess County regional campaign chair, it is his desire to be involved in changing the lives of students today in preparation for their success of tomorrow. “Having grown up in Owensboro, I always revered this college. I wanted to come to KWC but I couldn’t afford to attend. It was through scholarships funded by donors to the college that my dream came true. Now, I want to make other students’ dreams come true.”

A native of Owensboro and graduate of Owensboro High School, Wells learned the value of work and education at a young 15 years of age when he began working in a local nursing home ironing sheets in the laundry. It wasn’t long before Wells learned many jobs at the nursing home – he was also a cook and then an orderly. As time passed, and having worn many hats at the nursing home, Wells began to develop an interest in the administrative end of the business. It was 1978 when he owned his first nursing home in Owensboro. “My family instilled a strong work ethic. The college taught and reinforced leadership.” And as it is said, the rest is history.

Today, he is president of Wells Health



Jack Wells

Systems, Kentucky’s largest provider of long-term care and assisted living. His company owns 25 centers (nursing facilities, Alzheimer’s centers, assisted living and retirement communities) and employs over 2,000 people. His contributions to the industry are notable and representative of his involvement: past chair of the board for the Kentucky Health Care Association, former regional vice president and executive council for the American Health Care Association, Washington, D.C., past chair of the Elizabeth Munday Senior Center, past chair of the Hospice Association, past chair

of the Chamber of Commerce Governmental Affairs Committee, and a registered lobbyist. In addition, Wells was honored in 1987 with the Ira O. Wallace Award, long-term care’s most prestigious award and was the recipient of the Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneur of the Year Award in 1992.

The field of healthcare is not his only interest. Wells has served as vice chair of the board of trustees of the college and became chair July 1. In addition, he is a campaign volunteer, serving as chair of the Daviess County effort. “The campaign has made great advancements,” said Wells. “A great deal of work, time and effort to get us to this point has been made by campaign volunteers and staff. But now it’s our time - time for the present ‘home’ of KWC to step up to the plate and make a difference in changing students’ lives,” he added. “Twenty-eight years ago, donors changed mine.”

*In recognition of Wells’ gift a naming opportunity for the courtyard of the Campus Community Center is being provided.*

## Campaign Progress Report

**Campaign Goal**  
\$20,000,000

Facilities and Equipment \$6,225,286

Endowment \$3,998,429

Operating Budget Support \$7,277,303  
(Restricted and Unrestricted gifts)

**Total Raised**  
\$17,501,018

The dollars reported are as of May 31, 2001. The chart represents specific needs the college plans to achieve before the conclusion of the campaign in December. By seeking these gifts, Kentucky Wesleyan College is reaching higher than ever to make sure every student receives the best education possible.



## Campus Community Center construction on schedule

Have you visited campus lately to see the progress of construction? No? Well then, have you visited [www.kwc.edu](http://www.kwc.edu) for a construction update? Open the college web page and click on Campus Community Center construction update for a monthly report on the progress of the new building. In addition, click on the web-camera icon for live photos of construction in action.

At press time, the Campus Community Center is taking definitive shape. Once the mason work is complete, rough-in for plumbing and electrical work will begin. Work on the exterior brick veneer is expected to begin by the end of July.

In concert with the building project, look for new and improved parking lots off Scherm Road. These lots will provide north entrance parking for the Campus Community Center as well as the Administration Building and Deacon Hall.

More good news about the new Campus Community Center – at the Trustee meeting in May, a resolution was passed to name spaces and facilities within the center in recognition of the



Work is underway on the second floor.

exceptional generosity of the following donors: Boyd A. Cecil Ranch, a snack bar and grill; Holley F. Skidmore Exercise Room; Pyles Student Lounge, E. Luellen Pyles; Smith Reception Lounge, Marcia Smith Lawrence; and (prior to this May meeting) Lucile N. Cox Conference Room, Frank Cox.

We invite you to visit campus and see the progress for yourself. If that's not possible, log on to [www.kwc.edu](http://www.kwc.edu) for an updated report.



Enhanced by the cupola in the distance, the north entrance looks different each week as construction progresses on schedule.

“To continue *Changing Lives* we must take advantage of opportunity. To produce the leaders of tomorrow, we must continue to be a leader in higher education today...”

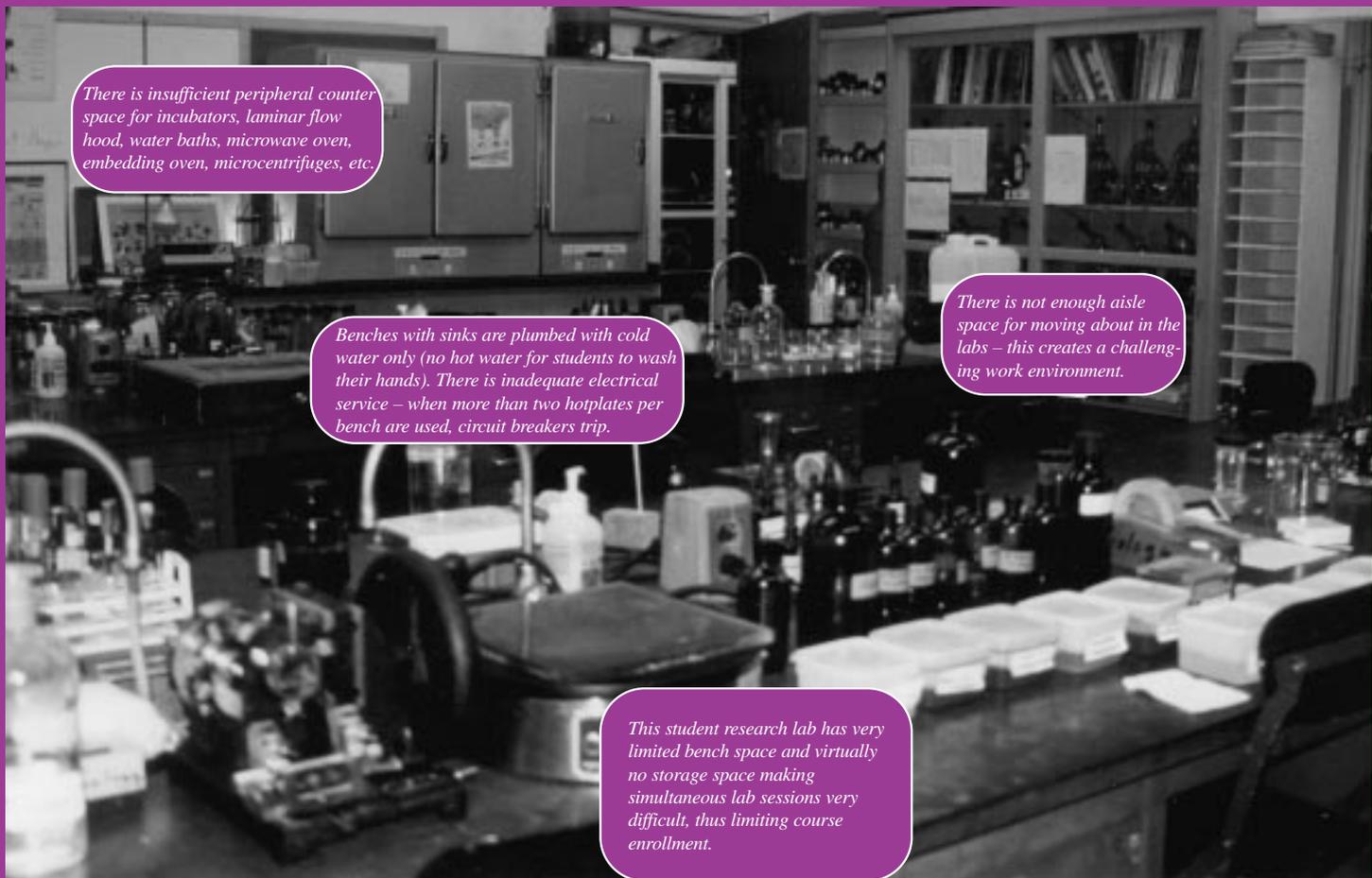
- Dr. Wesley H. Poling, president



Grasp your **opportunity**  
to shape the future.

Learn how you can build on Kentucky Wesleyan's **strengths** and continue to **change lives**.

Contact Ron McCracken in the Advancement Office  
Kentucky Wesleyan College  
3000 Frederica Street  
Owensboro, KY 42301  
270-926-3111, x5120  
[ronmc@kwc.edu](mailto:ronmc@kwc.edu)



*There is insufficient peripheral counter space for incubators, laminar flow hood, water baths, microwave oven, embedding oven, microcentrifuges, etc.*

*Benches with sinks are plumbed with cold water only (no hot water for students to wash their hands). There is inadequate electrical service – when more than two hotplates per bench are used, circuit breakers trip.*

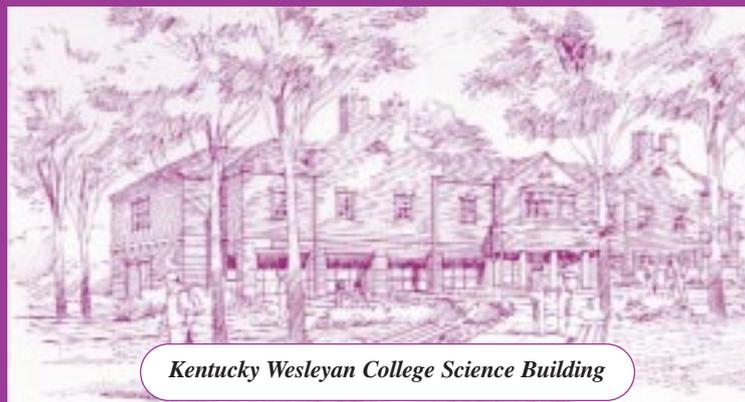
*There is not enough aisle space for moving about in the labs – this creates a challenging work environment.*

*This student research lab has very limited bench space and virtually no storage space making simultaneous lab sessions very difficult, thus limiting course enrollment.*

Over the next five years, Kentucky Wesleyan College anticipates growing enrollment to more than 800 students. To accommodate that growth the college must improve its campus by renovating existing buildings and constructing new ones. To help address such needs, KWC is in the final five months of *Changing Lives* – a capital campaign to raise \$20 million for facilities and equipment, endowment and operating support needs.

This campaign began five years ago and is culminating at a very special time in the life of KWC. The college began in 1858 in Millersburg, Ky., moving 40 miles south to Winchester in 1890. In 1951, the college saw an opportunity to grow and change lives in western Kentucky and moved to Owensboro and is now celebrating 50 years of success in this community.

Since that time there has been little opportunity to expand academic and campus life buildings. “The college has not been able to renovate existing facilities into areas of learning that better meet the needs of our mission, nor have we been able to increase endowment to compete favorably for outstanding students,” said Dr.



**Kentucky Wesleyan College Science Building**

Wesley H. Poling, president. He added, “This campaign offers such an opportunity to change lives right now. We must take advantage of this opportunity.”

According to Poling, one of the goals of the campaign is to provide the necessary state of the art equipment and technology throughout campus so our students can continue to compete successfully after graduation. Take the science needs as one specific example (of many) that illustrates the dire need for improvement.

The chemistry, biology and physics departments are currently housed on the second floor of the Administration Building. The departments are using labs that are outdated and inadequate for optimum learning. For example, according to David Oetinger, pro-

fessor of biology, the autoclave sterilizer in the center of the biology lab cannot be used concurrently with lab sessions due to the noise, heat and escaping steam. There is no floor drain to catch the overflow from the autoclave, which – if not caught immediately, seeps through the ceiling of the chapel below. “It is not the best learning environment, but students are still eager to learn and digest all that is given to them. I look forward to a time when we can optimize their spirit of learning and maximize the teaching potential of the science department.”

Yet, in spite of the outdated facilities, KWC science faculty continue to graduate excellent students who succeed in professional schools, graduate schools and the private sector. “I am amazed at

how well the science faculty and students do, considering the physical limitations of where they teach and learn,” said Mike Fagan, academic dean. “With a modern science building they can do even better. It is critical that we provide our science students and faculty with the space they need to compete with other institutions.” Many of you have stepped up to the plate and made a commitment to the campaign. As a result, KWC has begun moving forward. The Ralph Center for Fine Arts and Communication Arts opened in May 1999. The technology infrastructure on campus has been upgraded and the new Campus Community Center is currently under construction and scheduled to open January 2002. Plus, plans are moving forward for the construction of a new science building.

The goal of this campaign is within reach. There is time to get involved and help change lives today for the future of tomorrow. For more information and an opportunity to join this campaign effort, please contact Ron McCracken, vice president for advancement at 270-926-3111, x5120 or email ronmc@kwc.edu.

## A gift from tax-free retirement dollars made easier

The new IRA distribution rules for most retirement plans make it possible to include gifts to your favorite charities in your IRA beneficiary designations. The old rules penalized you if you chose to leave benefits to charity - it forced you to take larger distributions from the plan during your lifetime. Under the new rules, you can, for example, designate part of your IRA to establish a

scholarship fund for future KWC students without any negative impact on distributions to yourself during your lifetime ... or to your beneficiaries after your death. It's a good way, a win-win way, to give to your *alma mater*...and to your legacy.

For more information, call Berry Major at 270-926-3111, x5123 or e-mail [bmajor@kwc.edu](mailto:bmajor@kwc.edu).

## Alumni board and award nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for directors to serve on the Alumni board and for annual alumni awards. To learn more about making a nomination for

either, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 270-926-311, x5123 or email [bmajor@kwc.edu](mailto:bmajor@kwc.edu).



**Phonathon 2001**  
Sept. 9-27

## Alumni Directory on schedule

Delivery of the new Alumni Directory is ahead of schedule. Currently in print, it is now being distributed. If you did not order a directory and would like to purchase one, please call Harris Publishing at 800-877-6554. Supply is limited.

## Alumni board meeting scheduled

The first meeting of the 2001-2002 Alumni Association Board of Directors will be held on campus on Saturday, August 18. Board members will receive detailed information in late July.

### Upcoming Events

<b>July 21</b>	Cincinnati Picnic at the home of Bill and Mildred Kincaid
<b>August 6</b>	Louisville Chapter visits Slugger Field (Riverbats vs. Richmond Braves)
<b>August 18</b>	Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting
<b>August 25</b>	Winchester Picnic

---

<b>April 26-27</b>	Alumni Weekend 2002
<b>May 11</b>	Class of 1952 50th Reunion and Commencement Weekend

For more information and reservations, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 270- 926-3111, x5123 or e-mail [bmajor@kwc.edu](mailto:bmajor@kwc.edu).

## 2002 Alumni Weekend

April 26-28



## Write it down now!

**Make your plans to come home for the weekend.**

**Alumni Weekend 2002 will be April 26-28.**

### Come celebrate

45th cluster reunion for the Classes of 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959 and 1960

40th reunion of the Class of 1962

30th cluster reunion for the Classes of 1971, 1972 and 1973

25th reunion for the Class of 1977

10th cluster reunion for the Classes of 1991, 1992 and 1993

*Plans are underway for a weekend full of activity and fun.*

The Class of 1952, the first class to graduate from the Owensboro campus, will gather to celebrate their 50th reunion and receive their 50-year medallions during Commencement Weekend 2002, May 20-11.

# Alumni Weekend 2001

Kentucky Wesleyan College Alumni Weekend 2001 was held April 27-28. "This is the first year this annual reunion event was held separate from Commencement Weekend," said **Berry Major '60**, alumni director. "The Alumni Association board of directors saw an opportunity to improve on an already successful event by moving it to a weekend that would afford more people the chance to attend," he added. "It worked. Nearly 150 alumni attended one event or another. This was a very successful weekend and plans for next year's Alumni Weekend are already underway."

Alumni Weekend 2001 kicked off with a golf scramble at the Summit Country Club, hosted by Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. A welcome reception was held at the Ralph Center for Fine Arts and Communication Arts. The classes of 1961, 1976, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1995, 1996 and 1997 gathered to celebrate their respective reunions. The highlight of the weekend was the Alumni Banquet where the Honorable **Walter D. (Jody) Richards '60**, Speaker of the Kentucky House of Representatives, reminisced about life at the college, and alumni awards were presented. The weekend ended on a high note with a dance at the Executive Inn.

**Mark your calendars now. Alumni Weekend 2002 is scheduled for April 26 – 27.**



*Seven foursomes competed in the annual Sig-Ep Golf Scramble at the Summit Country Club.*



*Jody Richards '60, Kentucky Speaker of the House, recalls the many good times and good friends at KWC.*



*Roger Hayes '72, received the Alumni Achievement award.*



*Several members from the Class of 1976 met to celebrate their 25th reunion.*



*Doug Sasser, long-time favorite professor and friend.*

# Alumni Weekend 2001



The Class of 1961 celebrated their 40-year reunion at Colby's restaurant.



Professor W. L. Magnuson, professor of chemistry for 32 years and chair of the chemistry department, accepted the Gus Paris Distinguished Service award.



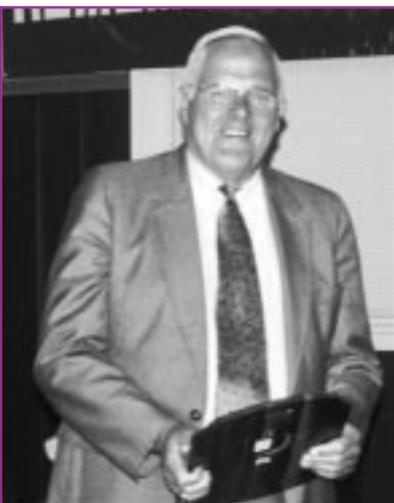
David Hilton '58 cordially thanks well-wishers as he receives the Outstanding Alumnus award. This Frankfort, Ky., resident has served the United Methodist Church for 40 years.



Mike Fagan, academic dean, was named honorary alumnus in recognition of his 24 years of representing the college in the local community.



To celebrate their 5-year cluster reunion, the Classes of 1995, 1996 and 1997 met at Moonlite BBQ.



The Alumni Service award was presented to Glenn Young '58 for 46 years of dedicated service to the college.



The Classes of 1980, 1981 and 1982 gathered at Moonlite BBQ for their 20-year cluster reunion.



## Roger Hayes - the component of success

by *Berry Major '60*

eral manager of SKF's Nice Plant in Kulpville, Pa. Then, in 1992 Hayes accepted the position of president of Atlas Copco's CP Industrial Division in Utica, N.Y., which he held until he joined the Huffman Corporation in Clover, S.C. in 1993 as its president and director.

All of Hayes' business experience has been in manufacturing – beginning with anti-friction bearings and rising through the ranks of high precision machining.

Today he runs a company that designs and builds the very machines that make such precision components. One of these machines is Huffman's latest Waterjet Cutting Machine, designed to manufacture high-precision industrial gas turbine (IGT) blades and vane components.

Huffman developed and patented this new technology and has expedited its availability to turbine manufacturers in order to increase electrical power generating capacity in areas such as California.

The Huffman Corporation is an ISO 9001 registered corporation that designs and manufactures a wide variety of grinder, laser, and waterjet systems for the airframe, air and power generation turbines, medical, and cutting tool markets.

Huffman's customers include such well-known Fortune 50 corporations as GE, Mercedes, GM, Rolls Royce, and United Technologies.

The business success of Hayes has afforded him professional recognition in the Association for Manufacturing

Technology (AMT), the nation's industry association for manufacturers of machine tools with over 500 member locations. Having served as a director since 1997, he regularly travels with the AMT board internationally and speaks at association gatherings.

In addition (a little over one year ago) Hayes was appointed by South Carolina's governor to chair the state's Math/Science Advisory Board. Serving in this capacity, he spoke at the 2001 South Carolina Advanced Technology Conference last February and this summer will travel to Israel on behalf of the governor's Trade Mission.

At the Kentucky Wesleyan College annual Alumni Banquet in April, Hayes was presented the Alumni Association's Alumni-Achievement Award in recognition of his business and professional achievements.

A strong supporter of Kentucky Wesleyan and the United Methodist Church, Hayes resides in Tega Cay, S.C. with his wife, DeAndrea, and their two sons, Oliver and Reggie.

When asked permission to publish this story in *Kentucky Wesleyan Today*, Hayes said, "I would hope my story could be inspirational to KWC students and prospective students alike...to know what can happen in their lives...from a fine Christian liberal arts education."

Indeed, Hayes' testimonial suggests his life was changed by his Kentucky Wesleyan experience. Our kudos to Roger Hayes, a Kentucky Wesleyan success story.

Roger Hayes was born February 6, 1946 in Norwalk, Conn., as the youngest of four children. His father was an MIT engineering graduate and his mother a registered nurse. Raised and educated in Connecticut, Hayes began his search for a small liberal arts college after graduating high school. His great grandfather was a minister in the United Brethren denomination (now the United Methodist Church) in Ohio, and that influence, coupled with his desire for a liberal arts education, persuaded Hayes to attend Kentucky Wesleyan. He graduated in 1972 with a B.A. in history.

Hayes began his career in 1969 in the anti-friction bearing industry with the Fafnir Bearing Company. As director of Fafnir's Sales Engineering Training School, he gained considerable knowledge in bearing manufacturing and was offered a position with New Hampshire Ball Bearings as manager of customer service and sales engineering.

In 1982 he joined SKF in their miniature bearings business in Allentown, Pa., and was promoted to general manager of their Landsdale, Pa., plant in 1988.

Two years later Hayes was named vice-president and gen-

*Hayes, president of Huffman Corporation, stands next to one of his company's products, the Waterjet Cutting Machine, designed to manufacture high-precision industrial gas turbine blades and vane components.*

# Celebrating 50 years

Graduates of the Winchester campus were honored and celebrated during a special weekend this spring. Commencement Weekend 2001 was held on May 11-12 and many graduates gathered to visit and remember their days at Kentucky Wesleyan College. Special recognition was given to the Class of 1951 who gathered to celebrate a lifetime achievement – their 50-year college reunion. Nine members of the Class of 1951 were honored at a luncheon and were presented 50-year medallions during Commencement exercises by Dr. Wesley H. Poling. We pay special tribute to this class as they are the last class to graduate from our Winchester campus.



*Reunion members of the Class of '51: Audrey Littrell Smith, Mary Clyde Wilson Bettge, William Acosta, Miriam Brown Lee, W.D. Bruce Jr., John T. Smith and Carol Combs Daugherty.*



*Graduates from the Winchester campus gather at a pre-Winchester Dinner reception.*



*Dr. Poling presents John T. Smith a 50-year medallion.*



*Bill Acosta '51 and John Porter '51 reunite at a 50-year reunion luncheon.*

# Congratulations Graduates



Flag bearers Brandon Tackett and Andrea Hardison anticipate the beginning of the Commencement processional.



Senior Kentucky Wesleyan Singers Dennis Cook and Stacey Gilliam begin a new tradition by leading the singing of the Alma Mater.



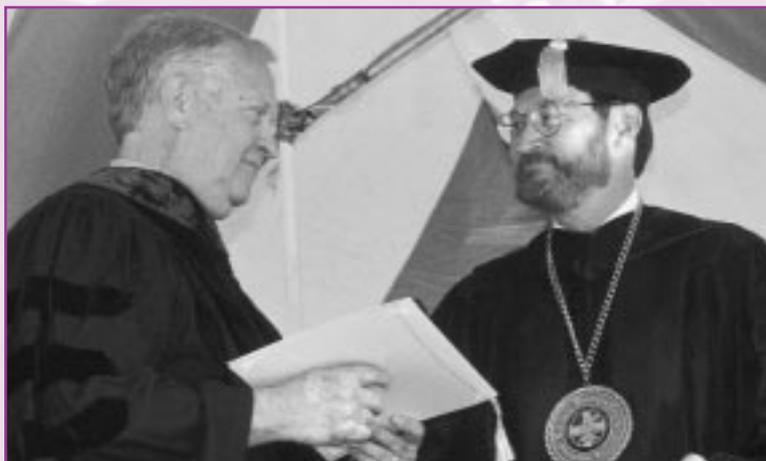
As students process into the Grove, Crystal Burns hugs Assistant Professor Pam Gray as faculty line the sidewalk to congratulate students on their achievement.



Emily Bellamy shares a smile, a hug and her diploma.



Anthony Melvin accepts a Leadership medalion and congratulations from Dr. Poling.



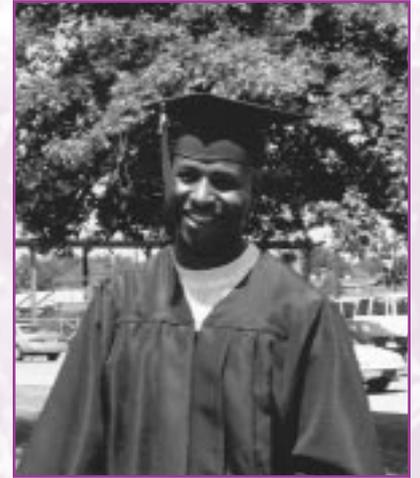
James E. Rogers, keynote speaker and chairman of the board of Sunbelt Communications Company, was presented an honorary doctor of law degree in recognition of his philanthropy to education.

Commencement videos now available - \$10 each. Make your check payable to KWC Library and forward to Bill Graham, Kentucky Wesleyan College, 3000 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Ky. 42301.



*Dr. Poling accepts a check from McCray Ashby and Tina Burger from the Class of 2001. The Senior Gift will be furniture for the outdoor courtyard of the Campus Community Center.*

*Daviess County Public School Superintendent Stu Silberman was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree for his many contributions in changing the lives of students through education.*



*Jameon Ferguson shares his thoughts about the day with a big smile.*



*Catherine Canfield, Jami Kloss, Karen Patterson and Kim Zolk share the excitement of the day at the annual Senior Breakfast.*



*David Hilton '58 accepts the Outstanding Alumnus award. He also received recognition for this award during Alumni Weekend 2001.*



*Commencement was held in Hocker-Hall Grove for the first time since the tornado, on a beautiful picture-perfect day.*

*We're proud of you*

# Celebrating 50 years in Owensboro

by Roy Pickerill '75

Fifty years ago, September 29, 1951 to be exact, classes began in Owensboro after moving from the Winchester campus. We are devoting a four-page special section in this issue, along with the Fall (November) and Spring (March) issues of *Kentucky Wesleyan Today*, in celebration and review of our 50 years in Owensboro. All of the history and photos are courtesy of retired KWC professors Dr. Lee A. Dew (history) and Dr. Richard A. Weiss (German and current KWC archivist) through their book *"In Pursuit of the Dream: A History of Kentucky Wesleyan College."*

## Frederica Flats, just one of seven

"Frederica Flats," at Seventh and Frederica streets, was the first building rented for the new temporary campus of Kentucky Wesleyan College in Owensboro. The building served as the women's dormitory and also contained science laboratories and classrooms for business, sociology, political science and education.

The college also used six other locations that included schools, churches and public buildings in the downtown area.

Settle Memorial Church hosted classes in religion and English, which met in the Sunday School rooms, while physical education classes met in the gymnasium at First Christian Church. Classes in history and social science were in the annex building of First Baptist Church, while music students studied at First Presbyterian Church.



## The new campus

This aerial view of the new campus is taken from the intersection of Scherm Road and Mayfair Drive. The first buildings erected were the Administration Building (left), the Student Union Building, Massie Hall, Freshman Dormitory and Reynolds Village (far right). Parking lots and sidewalks are in place, but no trees had yet been planted.

## Groundbreaking

A crowd of nearly 200 persons gathered on a cold but sunny day on December 11, 1952 to watch KWC President Dr. Oscar Lever and former KWC President Dr. Paul Shell Powell turn shovels full of rich brown Daviess County soil to mark the official groundbreaking for the new campus of Kentucky Wesleyan College. **Glenn Sowards '53**, the president of the student body (pictured to the right behind Powell and Lever), joined members of the board of trustees, the Million-Dollar Campaign Committee, Mayor LeRoy Woodward and other officials in the ceremony.



This photo was taken standing on the foundation of the Freshman Dormitory, looking southeast across campus at the Administration Building (left) and the Student Union Building (right).

# Owensboro Timeline

## 1950-1967

- Aug. 16, 1950** The Kentucky and Louisville Annual Conferences of the United Methodist Church meet for the purpose of considering moving Kentucky Wesleyan College from Winchester to Owensboro, provided the city can raise one million dollars by March 1.
- March 1, 1951** Million dollar goal surpassed.
- March 9, 1951** Decision made to move the college to Owensboro in September.
- March 16, 1951** Plans were made for the move to numerous locations in the city that included schools, churches and public buildings in the downtown area.
- April 19, 1951** Press conference at the Hotel Owensboro to announce the college would be built on a 40-acre tract of the Ellis H. Massie property, four-tenths of a mile south of the city limits on the Livermore Road (now called Frederica Street).
- Sept. 29, 1951** First day of classes in Owensboro.
- Oct. 9, 1951** Formal Opening Convocation.
- Dec. 11, 1952** Groundbreaking ceremony for Administration Building and Student Union Building.
- 1953** Old Administration Building at first campus in Millersburg torn down.
- Sept. 1954** Kentucky Wesleyan moves to new campus at 3000 Frederica Street.
- Spring 1955** First "Oak and Ivy" ceremony and induction class.
- March 15, 1957** Panthers finish as National Runner-up in the first NCAA College Division National Basketball Championship.
- 1958** Kentucky Wesleyan receives \$5 million from the Kendall Trust.
- Sept. 1958** Centennial Gates constructed (new entrance to campus).
- April 30, 1959** Centennial Convocation Celebration.
- Oct. 1959** Dr. Oscar Lever retires as President.
- 1959** Two fraternities and sororities become national members.
- Fall 1960** Record enrollment of 629
- April 6, 1961** Dr. Harold Hamilton inaugurated as President.
- June 2, 1964** Panthers earn first trip to the NCAA baseball tournament. Finished second in the Mid-East Regional.
- 1963** Kendall Hall dormitory opened.
- Fall 1964** Stadium Drive dormitory opened.
- March 11, 1966** Panthers win first NCAA College Division National Basketball Championship.
- 1967** Lois Snyder Faculty Office Building opened.
- Fall 1967** Record enrollment of 1,100.

## The Million-Dollar Campaign

On August 16, 1950, the Kentucky and Louisville Annual Conferences of the United Methodist Church met in special session "for the purpose of considering moving Kentucky Wesleyan College from Winchester to Owensboro." A committee led by **Talmage Hocker '27**, **Melvin "Ham" Glenn '27** and Lawrence Hager from Owensboro made an offer to raise \$1,000,000 to secure the college for the city.

The conference accepted the million-dollar offer with the condition that the money be raised by March 1, 1951. The campaign committee started in September, headed by J. W. Snyder as the director. Others on the committee included V. E. Anderson (chairman), Hocker, Glenn, Hager, W. H. Parker, E. Kelley Short, D. D. Heltsley, Harry Holder Sr., T. J. Barlett, Ed Gipe, Marshall Barnes, Delbert Glenn and John Medley.

With seven days remaining to raise \$300,000 to meet the goal, a

"Kentucky Wesleyan College for Owensboro" parade was held on Friday, Feb. 23. Under the direction of Walter Johnson, marshal, the parade



included fire and police department members, high school ROTC members, the American Legion, high school students from Daviess County, Whitesville and West Louisville, the Daviess County High School band, novelty units of old automobiles, horseback riders, and Dr. Ralph W. Cherry and Fred Taylor Burns, superintendents of the city and county schools.

On Feb. 27, with only 24 hours remaining to reach the deadline, the fund reached \$950,000. Radio stations WVJS and WOMI jointly held a "Wesleyan Roundup" marathon until the goal was reached. On Thursday, March 1, the banner headline of *The Owensboro Messenger* read "Wesleyan Drive Goes Over-The-Top."

The decision to move the college to Owensboro in September was made on March 9 in a meeting on the Winchester campus. One week later on March 16 in Owensboro plans were made for the move to six or seven locations that included schools, churches and public buildings in the downtown area.



It was announced on April 19 at a press conference at the Hotel Owensboro that the college would build the campus on a 40-acre tract of the Ellis H. Massie property,

four-tenths of a mile south of the city limits on Livermore Road (now called Frederica Street). The first students arrived in Owensboro on Sept. 24 and classes began on Saturday, Sept. 29. The college moved to 3000 Frederica Street in Sept., 1954.

# The Vanished Village

by Dr. Richard Weiss, KWC archivist

Remember the whole colony of like structures, which once lined the street at the rear of the KWC campus called Reynolds Village? Their existence began more than 50-years ago with a coat of army khaki paint, on some military base in this heartland of America.

Then President Paul Shell Powell purchased the two-family barracks buildings in 1946 to be used on the Winchester campus as housing for married students, especially soldiers returning from World War II and their families.

Appropriately enough for the time, the housing units bore the family name of **John Reynolds '39** - the first KWC serviceman killed on activity duty in World War II.

When Kentucky Wesleyan moved in 1951 from Winchester, it was only a matter of unbolting the walls, installing new foundations and sidewalks, electrical work and water supply to bring the prefabricated "village" to Owensboro.

The Village formed the first group of buildings on the Frederica Street campus, and really predates the Administration Building and Massie Hall and Freshman Dormitory by several months.

Hundreds of students lived in Reynolds Village over a period of years, including such notables as **David Hocker '59**, **Billy Pat Hume '60** and **Ruthie Hutton Hume '62** and "**King**" **Kelly Coleman '60**.

"In the 50s and 60s, many of us started our married lives in Reynolds Village, a community where one or both was a KWC student," said Billy Pat Hume. "Most of us had little money with one or both people working." Hume added, "We will always remember good times in the Village. Where else could you find a three-room apartment with cracks around the windows which allowed snow to build up in the bathroom, a gas heater that was either too hot or too cold, all metal construction where you could hear rain beat on the walls and roof, or walls so thin you could hear your neighbors talk? All of this for \$37 per month, including all utilities except gas."

Starting in the early 70's, with married students moving off-campus to more modern apartments, some of the buildings served as department space for the art and theatre areas including the Art Gallery. The rest of the Village was used for storage until 1979 when new KWC President Luther White decided the buildings had served their purpose and it was time to remove them.

The last remaining structure, which was used as a campus Day Care Center, was destroyed during the tornado that hit campus on Jan. 3, 2000. Reynolds Village existed for nearly 50 years at Winchester and Owensboro and still evokes memories of Kentucky Wesleyan's legacy at both campuses.



Reynolds Village



## First Administration Building

The first Kentucky Wesleyan administration building was located at 531 Frederica Street, and also served as a male dormitory from 1951 to 1954.



## The Sub

The Student Union Building (SUB) was the center of activity for Kentucky Wesleyan students. The two-story structure had a Snack Bar on the first floor, a large lounge, the college Post Office, a television room, a recreation area and several administrative offices.

## The Quonset Hut

No student could ever forget the Quonset Hut. The Hut was used for physical education classes, intramurals, class registration and orientation,

chapel, dances, plays, recitals, meetings, convocations and several other uses. The Quonset Hut was obtained in 1954 from an atomic energy facility in Paducah, Ky..



## New Administration Building

The Administration Building was completed in September 1954 and housed administrative offices, Library, and a few classrooms on the first floor. The second floor contained the science departments and their classrooms and laboratories. The third floor housed the rest of the academic classes. The music department used the fourth floor. The basement served as the location for the bookstore, print shop and the rest of the Library.



The main Library, located on the north end of the first floor, was the center for reading, research and studies. The rest of the Library, in the basement, held periodicals, audiovisual equipment and a classroom.



Dr. Henry M. Pyles '21, chair of the education department, teaches one of his classes. Each class was small and informal for the opportunity for individual learning.



Two students work in the biology laboratory on class experiments.



## NCAA Champions

The Panthers won their first NCAA College Division National Basketball Championship in 1966 by beating Southern Illinois University, 54-51, before a crowd of 10,319 at Roberts Stadium in Evansville, Ind.



During the early days, students participated in activities in downtown Owensboro such as pep rallies before basketball games at the Sportscenter.

## Tree Planting

During the 1956-57 academic year, the first trees were planted. Previously, the only trees on campus were around the President's home and driveway. Pictured here are 24 people (that can be identified) who participated planting the first trees on campus. The alumnus or alumna who can correctly identify first the largest number of people in the photo will be given a credit to purchase any clothing item from the college bookstore. The deadline is Aug. 31. Please send your list to KWC, Alumni Relations, 3000 Frederica St., Owensboro, Ky. 42301 or email [bmajor@kwc.edu](mailto:bmajor@kwc.edu).



“We all knew it was certainly going to be a new adventure. We knew it would take a lot of hard work and we would have to make-do or do without . . .”  
- Gus Paris

# Starting a college

by Joyce Ann Evans

Probably no one remembers the move of Kentucky Wesleyan College from Winchester to Owensboro more than Gus Paris. And through the years, there are probably very few people associated with the college who don't remember Gus Paris. He has become an icon of the college, much like Minerva. But let's go back to the beginning.

A decision was made in 1950 to move Kentucky Wesleyan from Winchester to Owensboro, due in large part to efforts by **Talmage Hocker** and **Merlin “Ham” Glenn** who were active in the Owensboro Alumni Club and both 1927 graduates of KWC.

It was determined the move should be accomplished as quickly as possible and the community was given a deadline of March 1, 1951 to raise \$1 million for the move.

Following several months of square dances, cake auctions, parades, teas, socials and individual contributions, \$300,000 was still needed with only seven days left in the campaign.

Efforts were stepped up as WOMI and WVJS had special broadcasts,

with police cars and the Owensboro Motorcycle Club collecting pledges. There were house-to-house canvases; a parade through downtown Owensboro; and Coach “Bullet” Wilson brought the Panther basketball team to town to play Centre College at the Sportscenter (KWC won 114-71).

Workers at G.E. and Westinghouse agreed to donate one-day's pay, and with 24-hours to go, Emerson Elementary School pledged over \$1,000 from their “Nickel a Week Club.”

And on March 1, 1951 the headline of the *The Owensboro Messenger* read “Wesleyan Drive Goes Over The Top.” The success of that drive brought Gus Paris to Kentucky Wesleyan College.

“In 1951 I was broke and in graduate school. A fellow student told me KWC was moving to Owensboro and since he wasn't moving with the college, there would be a teaching vacancy,” Paris said.

He borrowed a car and drove to Winchester for an

interview with both Dr. John Baggett, retiring KWC president, and Dr. Oscar Lever who had just been named president of the Owensboro campus. Paris said, “I got a contract in the mail from Dr. Lever and then received a personal letter from him asking me to come early and help.”

Paris was rewarded two-fold with his decision to teach at Kentucky Wesleyan. “I met a young lady - Elizabeth Saucerman - a graduate of Boston University and assistant professor of music at KWC who had also been asked to come early to help in the President's office. I not only found a home, I found a wife,” Paris said. “When I first came to Owensboro, I thought I'd be here two or three years, but after our children arrived, I never left.”

He recalled the first Owensboro campus. “The President's home occupied the building where the Campbell Club is now. KWC owned 3 buildings downtown and borrowed or rented the others. One building held the bookstore and student center on the first floor and conference rooms and the cafeteria on the second floor. Anna Mae Humphrey was head dietician.”

Frederica Hall, located beside the telephone company, housed basement classrooms and labs, with the upper three floors used as a women's dorm, Paris explained.

Local churches also donated space to the college. The Christian Church gym was used for physical education and Settle Memorial Methodist and First Baptist Church annexes were used for classrooms. The library was located on the second floor of City Hall.

“Settle Memorial was also used for chapel,” Gus said, “which was mandatory for students on Mondays and Wednesdays. Classes were held Monday through Friday and Saturday mornings.”

During that first year of operation, Paris was also director of the men's dorm and he set up and ran the college bookstore. Work-study students helped run the store. Paris said, “I was losing drinks out of the drink machine and I found out the students were popping the top off the bottles and using a straw to drink the bottle dry right there in the machine.”

As director of the men's dorm, Gus also had a room there. “They were like all college students, lots of noise, cramped and they had to study. I was amazed at how well it ran.”

Paris described the first faculty meeting held in the Hotel Owensboro. “We all knew it was certainly going to be a new adventure. We knew it would take a lot of hard work and we would have to make-do or do



Paris takes roll call for his *Western Civilization history class at 4:00 a.m. in Legion Park.*

without, but we tried to put it together as best we could.”

A professor of western civilization, American government, state government, American history and other advanced courses, Paris described the first day of classes with 233 students. “I had my first class in the Baptist Church annex at 9am on the second floor. The kids couldn’t find the building so we just went on with the lecture. My second class was in the Settle Memorial annex and then back I went to the Frederica Hall basement for three more classes. We had to have maps for the students. It was hectic and confusing.”

“Back then we had to report daily absences to the registrar’s office so they could check it out,” he said. “Are you ill or what? We also kept up with tardiness and we’d ask ‘Why are you late - you should leave a little earlier.’”

The first graduation was held on June 9, 1952 in the auditorium of Owensboro High School with 25 seniors. Nine more seniors graduated in August.

A 51-acre tract of the Ellis H. Massie property that included Mr. Massie’s large yellow-brick residence was bought for the new KWC campus, four-tenths of a mile south of the city limits. Groundbreaking ceremonies were held December 11, 1952. Construction began in January with four buildings – what are now Massie Hall, Presidents Hall, the Administration Building and Deacon Hall.

In the fall of 1954 with 440 students enrolled, the campus opened. The men moved into their dorms first, with no doors and many rooms without windows. The women continued to commute from Frederica Hall downtown until their dorm opened in December.

According to Paris there were no trees on campus except the trees going down the driveway of the Massie home. “It was just a cornfield. We wondered if we would ever live to see trees on campus. They were planted in 1955.”

He continued, “There was nothing south of 25th Street except WOMI, Fuqua’s bus garage and South Side, the students’ favorite hang-out. Frederica was a two-lane street.”

“There were no roads and sidewalks on campus and it rained and rained, making it very muddy. There were planks to walk across campus, but not enough and everyone tracked all that mud into the buildings. We wore out a set of tile, just mopping it up,” Paris said.

A large Quonset hut sat behind the current Playhouse and served as a chapel and a gymnasium. Reynolds Village veterans housing was taken apart at Winchester and moved to Owensboro. Paris said, “Many married students lived in Reynolds Village. The last building to go from that village was the former Day Care Center, razed following the January 2000 tornado.”

There were six classrooms on the first floor of the Administration building. Paris said, “There was no system for air-conditioning. The rooms only had two electrical plug-ins for the walls. We only needed two plugs – one for the electric typewriter and one for the window air conditioning unit or the fan.”

Paris remembers the first dance held on campus in the student union in 1956 following President Dwight Eisenhower’s official election. He said, “Talmage Hocker paid \$100 for a 16-piece band from Indiana University. The snack bar sold cokes that night for one penny. The

first song they played was *Stardust* and the last was *Goodnight Ladies*. The trustees were meeting upstairs and when the boys turned all the lights off, the girls started screaming.”

Continuing with the dance narration Paris said, “The trustees came down to see what was going on and four couples danced over by them and made a big dip! The ministers just looked the other way.”

Paris called that a turning point in the life of the college. “Once dancing was permitted KWC became a normal college campus.”

He also remembers a tradition that continues today, but with an added twist. “The boys played football in the quad after a big rain, sliding in the water and mud. That would eventually lead to a panty raid at the girls’ dorm.”

A strictly “Gus Paris” tradition was his annual 4:00 a.m. picnic in Legion Park. He said he was trying to encourage more student activities and suggested a picnic supper.

“The students would say ‘I have to work, I have to baby sit, I have to study, I have a date,’ so I decided to pick a time – 4:00 a.m. and attendance was mandatory!”

“The students chipped in and bought bacon and eggs and the cafeteria loaned us pots and pans,” Paris continued. “And I always called roll. One student was a policeman on duty and I told him to stop by and answer roll call and he did.”

Describing his outlook on student life, Paris said, “I was thrust into an administrative position and I was not a real conservative person.”

In his 40 years with Kentucky Wesleyan, Paris has served as a professor, academic dean, associate dean, director of development and registrar, as well as filling the early roles of director of the men’s dorm and the bookstore.

Professor Emeritus of History and Political Science, Paris has a B.S. in education and an M.A. from Southern Illinois University and has done graduate work at the University of Kentucky, Tulane University and the University of Nebraska. He also has an L.L.D. from Kentucky Wesleyan.

Recalling the final visit to the Winchester campus in 1951, Gus said, “Dr. Lever and I went though the campus and took everything out we wanted – desks, lab equipment, office equipment, china. We moved all the usable equipment to Owensboro, which was a tremendous task. Everything that was movable was moved. Then we made notes, locked the doors, and headed back to Owensboro,” he said.

“We were starting a college.”



*Although early, both Paris and students enjoyed the annual 4:00 a.m. class “picnic.”*

# Study Abroad



by Beck Schofield Glenn '94

Kentucky Wesleyan College has a long tradition of emphasizing learning for self-fulfillment rather than for career preparation alone.



*Luke Alexander, a senior from Owensboro and twin brother of Bo, spent the spring semester at American University in Washington, D.C. Alexander takes a sightseeing break with Ashley Charlton in front of the Archives of the United States of America.*

The Off-Campus Studies Program is one KWC program that allows students the opportunity to explore the world and themselves at the same time.

"I now look at life from a totally different perspective," said Bo Alexander, a senior psychology major from Owensboro, while completing his spring

semester at Hong Kong Baptist University.

"The opportunity for a learning experience in Hong Kong is incredible," he added. "It's not just about school, but about life. I have learned so much about myself in the short time I've been here (Hong Kong), and I believe it is impossible to come

here and not be changed."

Travis Wethington wanted an experience that included a different style of education and opportunities to travel, to meet new people and to become more independent.

Wethington, an electrical engineering major from Hardinsburg, Ky. chose to study at Harlaxton College in Harlaxton, England. "I was at a point in my educational career where I would have little worries about missing any necessary courses or activities," he said.

Another student sees travel as an educational experience in itself. Dominique Crisp, a twenty-one year old senior studying in Italy said, "I was convinced that traveling was one of the most valuable ways to acquire the type of knowl-

edge that one can benefit from for a lifetime." Crisp, a native of Fremont, California, also wanted to learn another language. "I felt that language was a skill I didn't want to wait any longer to acquire," she said.

According to Dan Bradshaw, professor of history and Off-Campus Studies Program director, the program has existed in some form for ten years. "We have two different long-standing off-campus study programs," said Bradshaw.

Kentucky Wesleyan has sent students to Harlaxton University in England sporadically during the last eight to 10 years. At least one KWC student has attended American University in Washington D.C. each year for the last eight.

"It is a win-win situation," said Bradshaw. "Every person

*"The study abroad experience is definitely one that should not be missed and a liberal arts education could not be supplemented any better by anything else."*

— Travis Wethington

we have sent abroad has come back with rave reviews and said it was the high point of their academic career.”

Both Wethington and Alexander recommend the program to fellow students. “I would strongly encourage anyone interested to study abroad,” said Wethington. “The study abroad experience is definitely one that should not be missed and a liberal arts education could not be supplemented any better by anything else.”

“Of course I would recommend this program to others,” said Alexander. “It has changed my whole outlook on the world. I now look at life from a totally different perspective, something you can’t understand unless you have lived outside of the states yourself.” Becoming friends with a local student opened up an excess of new opportunities. “I have met many local families, which has helped me learn more about the Chinese culture.”

“The study abroad experience played a great role in my life,” added Wethington. “It

deal from his course load, the majority of his learning experience developed from his adaptation to his new environment and way of life, as well as his travel experiences.

According to Bradshaw, the program has seen recent expansion as the interest level of both students and school administrators has risen. “In the last couple of years, more students have started getting involved with the program,” he said. “In turn, the school has established a budget with money dedicated to the program.”

Crisp, who participated in a similar program while in high school, helped forge new alliances between KWC and



Bo Alexander enjoys dinner at a restaurant in Hong Kong with Chinese friends.

Sunday night and a representative from Hong Kong Baptist University came and spoke to our congregation,” he said.

“We are now starting to be more intentional about telling students about these programs and helping them plan for

*“I now look at life from a totally different perspective, something you can’t understand unless you have lived outside of the states.”*

– Bo Alexander

“While I was sitting there listening to that man, I knew God wanted me there.”

The program is designed for junior and senior level students, in good standing, who have at least a 2.5 grade point average.

Eleven students participated in the program during the most recent academic year.

They attended universities in England, Israel, Italy, France, China, and Washington D.C.

One attraction for students is that they can study virtually any subject, depending on where they choose to go.

Another bonus is that all earned academic work is transferable back to Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Although the college helps students find financial aid resources to cover participation in the program, some of the program’s recent expansions can also be credited to the generosity of donors.

them,” said Bradshaw. “For example, a grant from benefactor Raymond Zimmerman finances two students attending the Rothberg School at Hebrew University during its summer session each year. Students of Jewish Studies can choose to study topics such as archaeology or modern politics of the Middle East.”

A new partnership with First Baptist Church of Owensboro to sponsor one student per semester at Hong Kong Baptist University will contribute to the future growth of the program.

“If anything affected or changed my life from this experience, the skills and virtues I developed will definitely carry on with me forever,” said Wethington.

allowed me to see the world from a wider perspective mostly through my travels, but also within the education itself as much as meeting new people from all parts of the world.” Although he learned a great

three Italian universities. “I decided to expand my experience abroad in a country where I would also gain from the language.”

Alexander felt called to the program. “I was at church one



While in school, Bo Alexander took several opportunities to hike and sightsee in China.



# Eight is GREAT!

NCAA Champions

by Roy Pickerill '75

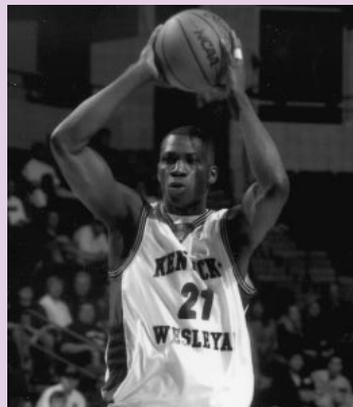
Kentucky Wesleyan College won their record breaking eighth NCAA Division II National Championship and second in three seasons with a 72-63 victory over Washburn (Kan.) at Centennial Garden in Bakersfield, Calif. on March 24 before a national televised audience of 2.4 million people on



National Coach of the Year Ray Harper celebrates the national championship in the stands with the KWC fans.

CBS Sports.

Gino Bartolone led the Panthers (31-3) with 15 points - 12 in the first half - making five of eight three-pointers. Lorico Duncan and Marshall Sanders contributed 13 points each. Duncan also had 11 rebounds.



Senior center Chris Thomas looks inside the paint for an assist.

Duncan was named the Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA "Elite Eight" and Sanders earned all-tournament team honors. Chris Landry was chosen CBS



Chris Landry, CBS Sports/Chevrolet Player of the Game for the title game, shows his NCAA Championship watch after the trophy and awards ceremony.

Sports/Chevrolet Player of the Game for the title game.

Kentucky Wesleyan set NCAA basketball history with a fourth consecutive 30-win season and a Division II record of four straight appearances in the championship game. They also

set a league record of four consecutive Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament titles.

Seniors Gino Bartolone and Anwar Perry set three Division II records by playing on four 30-win teams, playing in four consecutive NCAA championship games and 20 straight NCAA tournament games. Together they have led KWC to a 127-11 record for a 92 winning percentage in four seasons (30-3, 1998; 35-2, 1999; 31-3, 2000; 31-3, 2001).



Consensus All-American Lorico Duncan cuts down the net after the championship game at Bakersfield.

# 2000-01 National Honors and Awards

## NCAA ALL-TIME RECORD

Four consecutive 30-Win Seasons: 1998, 99, 00, 01

## NCAA DIVISION II NATIONAL RECORD

Most 30-Win Seasons: 4 - 1998 (30-3), 1999 (35-2), 2000 (31-3), 2001 (31-3)

Four consecutive trips to the NCAA championship game 1998, 99, 00, 01

## GINO BARTOLONE

Four consecutive NCAA championship games (Div. II Record)

Four consecutive 30-win seasons (NCAA Record)  
Best Four-Year Record in KWC history: 127-11, 92.0 winning percentage or 31.8 wins per season.

KWC Career Record: most games played - 133  
KWC Career Record: most three-pointers made - 285

## LORICO DUNCAN

Consensus first-team All-American  
First-team All-American (NABC)  
First-team All-American (Basketball Times)  
First-team All-American (Division II Bulletin)  
NCAA Championship Most Outstanding Player  
NCAA Regional Most Outstanding Player  
GLVC Tournament Most Outstanding Player  
All-Great Lakes Region first-team (NABC)  
All-Great Lakes Valley Conference first-team  
GLVC Player of the Week (Feb. 26)

## CHRIS LANDRY

CBS Sports/Chevrolet Player of the Game (NCAA Championship)  
NCAA Great Lakes Regional All-Tournament Team

## ANWAR PERRY

Four consecutive NCAA championship games (Div. II Record)

Four consecutive 30-win seasons (NCAA Record)  
Best Four-Year Record in KWC history: 127-11, 92.0 winning percentage or 31.8 wins per season

NCAA Regional All-Tournament Team  
GLVC All-Tournament Team  
All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honorable mention

## MARSHALL SANDERS

NCAA Championship All-Tournament Team

## RAY HARPER, HEAD COACH

National Coach of the Year (NABC)  
National Coach of the Year (Division II Bulletin)  
Winningest Active NCAA Division II Coach - 88.6 percentage (148 wins, 19 losses)

Two NCAA All-Time Coaching Records:  
Four consecutive 30-win Seasons: 1998, 99, 00, 01  
Most wins in the first five seasons: 148

NCAA Division II National Record:  
Four consecutive trips to the NCAA championship game 1998, 99, 00, 01

## #2 Kentucky Wesleyan 72, #5 Washburn 63 NCAA National Championship at Centennial Garden, Bakersfield, Calif. March 24, 2001

Washburn	FG	3FG	FT	R	PF	TP	A	TO	BS	S	Min
Williams, f	8-17	1-4	2-4	5	5	19	3	1	0	1	32
Carter, f	3-13	1-6	0-0	6	3	7	1	1	0	0	22
Auguste, c	5-15	0-0	4-4	8	5	14	0	1	2	1	23
Kruger, g	3-5	1-2	0-0	4	2	7	0	3	0	2	39
Ross, g	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	3	1	0	1	25
Tomlins	1-3	1-3	0-0	0	1	3	1	1	0	1	10
Tinsley	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Douglas	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hundley	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Walker	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	10
Miller	1-9	1-4	0-0	1	0	3	0	1	0	1	14
Ware	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1
Murphy	3-11	0-1	1-2	10	3	7	2	3	2	2	21
Totals	25-76	6-23	7-10	47	23	63	12	13	4	9	200

Shooting Percentages: FG: 32.9%; 3FG 26.1%; FT 70.0%.

Ky. Wesleyan	FG	3FG	FT	R	PF	TP	A	TO	BS	S	Min
Landry, f	4-8	0-2	0-1	9	2	8	1	2	0	0	28
Sanders, f	3-8	0-0	7-8	7	2	13	0	3	3	1	31
Thomas, c	2-3	0-0	1-3	9	2	5	2	3	3	2	28
Perry, g	1-4	0-1	4-4	2	2	6	4	0	0	3	21
Duncan, g	4-13	1-5	4-6	11	3	13	4	3	1	1	30
Bartolone	5-10	5-8	0-0	1	2	15	0	2	0	2	28
Turley	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
West	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Key	1-4	0-0	3-4	2	1	5	1	2	0	0	9
Logsdon	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Evans	3-7	0-2	1-2	3	1	7	1	0	0	1	20
Powell	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fortener	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	23-57	6-18	20-30	46	15	72	13	15	7	10	200

Shooting Percentages: FG: 40.4%; 3FG 33.3%; FT 66.7%.

Score by Periods	1	2	Tot
Washburn	32	31	63
Kentucky Wesleyan	48	24	72

Attendance 3,025



Seniors Gino Bartolone and Anwar Perry, who set NCAA history with four straight appearances in the NCAA championship game, talk with CBS's Tim Brando after the trophy presentation on national television before an audience of 2.4 million people.

**Ray Harper '85** was named National Coach of the Year for the third year in a row by winning his second national championship in three seasons. Harper's winning percentage makes him the winningest active NCAA Division II coach. His five-year

record at KWC is 148-19 for an 88.6 winning percentage or an average of 29.6 wins per season.

Harper also set the all-time NCAA coaching record with a fourth consecutive 30-win season by surpassing University of Kentucky Hall of Fame Coach

Adolph Rupp. He also became the second coach in NCAA history to make four consecutive trips to the NCAA championship game. UCLA Hall of Fame Coach John Wooden was the first with seven.



Junior forward Marshall Sanders protects one of his seven rebounds in the championship game.



Coach Harper speaks with the media at the post championship news conference.

Kentucky Wesleyan has won at least one national championship in five straight decades, an NCAA record for any division. With the eight titles the Panthers are second all-time to UCLA's 11 in NCAA Basketball Championships.

## Kentucky Wesleyan Sports

by Roy W. Pickerill '75

### USA Basketball selects Harper to coach at trials

Ray Harper, who led the Panthers to their record breaking eighth NCAA Div. II National Championship with a 31-3 record and his second in three seasons this past March, was appointed one of eight court coaches for the 2001 USA Basketball Men's National Team Trials at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. on June 1-3. This was the first invitation for a coach at KWC to coach for USA Basketball.

The trials court coaching staff was responsible for conducting drills, coaching scrimmages and working with approximately 45 of the nation's top college players who were vying for spots for the 2001 USA Basketball World Championship for Young Men



Team and the 2001 USA Basketball World University Games Team.

### Reunion of eight NCAA championship teams set for Feb. 15-17

You will not want to miss this exciting celebration! Mark your calendar now for the weekend of Feb. 15-17, and return to campus to celebrate the reunion of all eight KWC NCAA championship teams. The defending

national champions will play Great Lakes Valley Conference foe Northern Kentucky that Saturday at the Sportscenter. More details will be in the November issue of *Kentucky Wesleyan Today*.

### Nevy named to softball all-conference team

Kentucky Wesleyan center fielder Sandy Nevy received first team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference honors in softball as voted on by league coaches. Nevy, a senior from Kent, Wash., led the Panthers in nine offensive categories: .382 batting average, .588 slugging percentage, 136 at bats, 52 hits, 33 runs scored, 25 runs batted in, 11 doubles, seven stolen bases and five home runs. She was a second team all-conference selection last season. The Panthers finished the season with a 14-32 record under second-year head coach Fred Gillum.



Track Panther Sports  
[www.kwc.edu/athletics](http://www.kwc.edu/athletics)

### Seventeen student-athletes named academic all-conference

Seventeen Kentucky Wesleyan College student-athletes were named to the 2001 Great Lakes Valley Conference Winter and Spring Sports All-Academic team.

Topping the list is three-time member Allison Estes (basketball) a junior from Lewisport.

Two-time honorees include Lori Boarman (softball), a senior from Owensboro; Ryan Brickwood (baseball), a sophomore from Canton, Ohio; Kerry McHugh (softball), a senior from Louisville; Thomas Melton (baseball), a senior from Graham, Ky.; Travis Powell (basketball), a junior from LaCenter, Ky.; Alisha Tanner (softball), a sophomore from Slaughters, Ky.; and Kami Vaal (basketball), a sophomore from Celestine, Ind.

First-time selections are Brian Crowe (golf), a senior from Manitou, Ky.; Adam Hancock (baseball), a freshman from Owensboro; Katie Kavanaugh

(softball), a sophomore from Louisville; Selena Morris (softball), a freshman from Whitesville, Ky.; Sandy Nevy (softball), a senior from Kent, Wash.; Lydia Purvis (basketball), a freshman from LaGrange, Ky.; Brandy Reynolds (basketball) a freshman from Mt. Vernon, Ky.; Carol Richardson (softball), a freshman from Radcliff, Ky., and Katie Vandiver (golf), a junior from Livermore, Ky.

Overall 34 Kentucky Wesleyan student-athletes were named to the GLVC All-Academic teams during the 2000-01 season.

To be eligible, a student-athlete must be a starter or significant substitute with a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25 or an attained GPA of at least 3.4 in each of the preceding two semesters. Freshmen or first-year transfers must achieve a GPA of 3.4 or higher during the academic year.

### Panthers to play Harlem Globetrotters and Cincinnati in preseason

Kentucky Wesleyan, the defending NCAA Division II National Champions, will play two exhibition basketball contests in November against the Harlem Globetrotters and the University of Cincinnati Bearcats.

The Panthers will play the Globetrotters on Sunday,

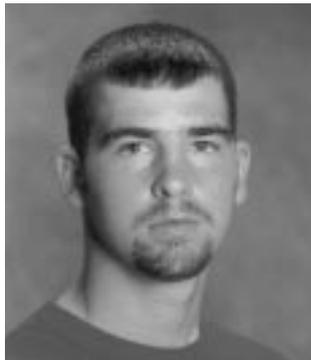
Nov. 4, at the Owensboro Sportscenter at 3 p.m. KWC will play at Cincinnati on Thursday, Nov. 15, at UC's Shoemaker Center (game time to be announced).

Tickets for both games will be sold at KWC's Athletic Office at a date to be announced in the fall.

## Burger selected All-GLVC, Wood named freshman of the year



Bryce Burger



Rick Wood

Kentucky Wesleyan's Bryce Burger earned second team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference baseball honors for the second straight year and Rick Wood became the first Panther to be named Freshman of the Year, as voted on by league coaches.

Burger, a senior from Fort Branch, Ind., led the Panthers in six offensive categories: eight home runs, 40 RBIs, .517 slugging percentage, 78 total bases, .438 on base percentage, 30 base on balls, and 47 games played and started. He also recorded a second-best .318 batting average, 48 hits, 30 runs scored, 151 at bats, 179 putouts and 81 assists plus had a fourth-best six doubles.

Wood, a right-handed pitcher from Cincinnati, had 11 starts in 14 appearances including five completed games and one save. He led the Panthers with a 3.73 ERA, 65 strikeouts and 89.1 innings pitched. His record was 2-6 overall. The Panthers finished the season with a 20-27 record under second-year head coach Greg McVey.

### 2001 Football Schedule

Sept.	1	Southwest Baptist	6:00
	8	Missouri Rolla	1:30
	13	at Tennessee Martin	6:30
	22	at Cumberland	1:30
	29	at Bethel	1:30
Oct.	6	at Saint Joseph's	Noon
	13	<b>Campbellsville</b>	1:30
	20	at Austin Peay	6:30
	27	at Quincy	1:30
Nov.	3	<b>Morehead State</b>	1:30

Home games in bold, all times Central.

### 2001 Volleyball Schedule

Sept.	4	at Oakland City	7:00
	6	at Campbellsville	7:00
	11	at Bellarmine +	6:30
	14	<b>Lewis +</b>	7:00
	15	<b>Wisconsin Parkside +</b>	1:00
	18	<b>Cumberland</b>	5:00
	21	at Southern Indiana +	7:00
	22	at SIU Edwardsville +	1:00
	25	<b>Oakland City</b>	7:00
	28	<b>Missouri St. Louis +</b>	7:00
	29	<b>Quincy +</b>	1:00
Oct.	3	<b>Brescia</b>	7:00
	6	at Saint Joseph's +	1:00
	12	Spalding at Brescia	7:00
	16	<b>Bellarmine +</b>	7:00
	19	<b>Saint Joseph's +</b>	7:00
	20	<b>Northern Kentucky +</b>	1:00
	23	at Brescia	7:00
	26	<b>SIU Edwardsville +</b>	7:00
	29	<b>Campbellsville</b>	6:00
Nov.	2	at Quincy +	7:00
	3	at Missouri St. Louis +	1:00

Home games in bold, all times Central.  
+ Great Lakes Valley Conference games.

### 2001-02 Men's Basketball Schedule

(tentative, subject to change)

Nov.	4	<b>Harlem Globetrotters (Exh.)</b>	3:00
	15	at Cincinnati (Exh.)	TBA
	21	<b>Central State</b>	7:30
	24	at Quincy +	3:30
	26	at SIU Edwardsville +	7:30
	29	<b>Wisconsin Parkside +</b>	7:30
Dec.	1	<b>Saint Joseph's +</b>	3:30
	6	at Northern Kentucky +	6:45
	8	at Bellarmine +	7:00
	15	<b>Glenville State</b>	7:30
	18	<b>Arkansas Monticello</b>	7:30
	20	<b>Abilene Christian</b>	7:30
	30	<b>Oakland City</b>	3:00
Jan.	3	at Southern Indiana +	7:30
	5	at Missouri St. Louis +	3:15
	10	<b>SIU Edwardsville +</b>	7:30
	12	<b>Lewis +</b>	3:30
	17	at Saint Joseph's +	7:30
	19	at Indianapolis +	3:00
	24	<b>Bellarmine +</b>	7:30
	27	<b>Lincoln</b>	3:00
	31	<b>Missouri St. Louis +</b>	7:30
Feb.	2	<b>Quincy +</b>	3:30
	7	at Lewis +	7:45
	9	at Wisconsin Parkside +	3:15
	14	<b>Indianapolis +</b>	7:30
	16	<b>Northern Kentucky +</b>	7:30
	23	<b>Southern Indiana +</b>	7:30
	28	at GLVC Tournament	TBA
Mar.	1-2	at GLVC Tournament	TBA
	7-9	at NCAA Regional	TBA
	20-23	at NCAA Elite Eight	TBA

Home games in bold, all times Central.  
+ Great Lakes Valley Conference games.

### 2001-02 Women's Basketball Schedule

(tentative, subject to change)

Nov.	17	at Christian Brothers	2:00
	20	<b>West Virginia Tech</b>	6:15
	24	at Quincy +	1:00
	26	at SIU Edwardsville +	5:30
	29	<b>Wisconsin Parkside +</b>	5:15
Dec.	1	<b>Saint Joseph's +</b>	1:00
	6	at Northern Kentucky +	4:30
	8	at Bellarmine +	4:45
	14	<b>Alabama Huntsville</b>	3:00
		<i>Coconut Classic at Hilo, Hawaii</i>	
	17	Seattle Pacific	10:00
	18	Freed Hardeman	10:00
		<i>Owensboro Area College Classic</i>	
	29	Alice Lloyd at Brescia	5:15
	30	<b>St. Thomas Aquinas</b>	7:30
Jan.	3	at Southern Indiana +	5:15
	5	at Missouri St. Louis +	1:00
	10	<b>SIU Edwardsville +</b>	5:15
	12	<b>Lewis +</b>	1:00
	17	at Saint Joseph's +	5:30
	19	at Indianapolis +	Noon
	24	<b>Bellarmine +</b>	5:15
	31	<b>Missouri St. Louis +</b>	5:15
Feb.	2	<b>Quincy +</b>	1:00
	7	at Lewis +	5:30
	9	at Wisconsin Parkside +	1:00
	14	<b>Indianapolis +</b>	5:15
	16	<b>Northern Kentucky +</b>	5:15
	23	<b>Southern Indiana +</b>	5:15
	27	at GLVC Tournament	TBA
Mar.	1-2	at GLVC Tournament	TBA
	7-9	at NCAA Regional	TBA
	20-23	at NCAA Elite Eight	TBA

Home games in bold, all times Central.  
+ Great Lakes Valley Conference games.

[www.kwc.edu/athletics](http://www.kwc.edu/athletics)

## Leadership: Be all you can be

by Joyce Ann Evans

A career in the military is a disciplined and rigorous life, but for **Timothy Payment '97**, it holds many rewards. Currently stationed in Germany, Payment is a captain on the 1st Armored Division Staff.

After high school graduation, he attended a six-week ROTC leadership scholarship competition at Fort Knox and was awarded a two-year ROTC scholarship to Kemper Military Junior College.

Upon graduation from Kemper, Payment was commissioned as a second lieutenant and entered the Army ranks as an inactive ready reserve officer. "That meant I would be called into action in case of a major war. To come on active duty I had to earn my four year degree, and this is where Kentucky Wesleyan came into my life," Payment said.

"There were about ten football players at Kemper who wanted to play football a few more years so we made campus visits and four of us decided to come to KWC - **Johnnie Robinson '97, Tremain Brittingham '97, Roland Johnson '98** and me. Coach John Johnson and David Cunningham were great hosts and introduced us to a campus, community, and football team that we wanted to be a part of," Payment explained.

Picking a major at Kentucky Wesleyan was more difficult for Payment. "I wanted to teach and coach football, but I also wanted to get on active duty and out of debt. I was introduced to Dr. Margaret Britton during my campus visit and she told me about Human Service Administration. After doing a little research I figured I could learn some psychology, sociology, management skills and graduate in two years. It was a perfect match."

The lessons he learned on the football field about teamwork and depending on his peers, have served him well in the Army. Payment said, "Coach Johnson is a leader and being a leader in a military operation is like coaching a football team."

Payment graduated from Kentucky Wesleyan in the fall of 1997 and by August he was at Fort Benning, Georgia, attending Infantry Officer Basic Course (IOBC). "IOBC was a four-month course and the

stepping-stone to becoming a successful infantry platoon leader. After IOBC I graduated Airborne School where I learned the fundamentals of jumping out of an airplane and more importantly landing without breaking any bones," Payment said.

In preparation to become a platoon leader, Payment attended Ranger School, which is the Army's toughest small unit leadership course. "Ranger School is sixty plus days of misery," he added.

His first real assignment was as Mortar Platoon Leader at Fort Drum, New York. He also attended the Infantry Company Commanders Course at Fort Benning, and the Combined Arms Service School in Fort Leavenworth.

Payment has been in Germany since January. As a staff officer his duties include preparing briefings, writing administrative memorandums, and publishing the training calendar for the division. "When we deploy anywhere," he said, "I am a battle captain responsible for updating the maps, gathering and distributing information, and briefing the general when he is in the command post."

After several months on the division staff Payment will have the opportunity to command a company. "Company Commander is the premier job for an Infantry officer," he said.

Before going to Germany Payment was stationed in Bosnia from August 1999 to February 2000. "By the time we deployed I moved up to be the company's executive officer or second in charge," he said.

The overall mission in Bosnia is a NATO mission that promotes stability by enforcing the provisions of the Dayton Peace Accords, according to Payment.

Bosnia is often in the nightly news, but most Americans know little about the country and Payment talked about his impressions. "The only part of the country I saw was the northern tip near BRCKO and south about sixty miles to TUZLA. BRCKO is a beautiful city that was scared badly by the war. It is located on the border of Croatia and was a highly contested area between the Serbs and the Bosniacs (Muslims)."

He continued, "The people are



hard working folks that in my opinion are grasping capitalism with open arms and are moving in the right direction. I got to know the interpreters that were assigned to us. They were mostly college-age kids, victims of a civil war. They were bright, witty and could speak almost perfect English. Without them our unit would not have been as successful."

Payment said Kentucky Wesleyan influenced and contributed to his career. "I think KWC was a vital stepping-stone to where I am now. The small class size and focus on each individual is undeniably the college's greatest attribute."

There is one particular class assignment to which he still refers – the writing of a grant proposal. Payment said, "Much of what I am doing now is similar to that assignment. I gather facts, make assumptions based on those facts, develop courses of action, select the best one and try to sell it to my leaders."

Of course every Kentucky Wesleyan graduate likes to relate a favorite memory and Payment is no different. "Living in Stadium with the three biggest clowns I have ever known - **Craig Angel '00, Webb Roberts '98, and Sam Taylor '97**. Thanks guys I will never forget you."

What does the future hold for Timothy Payment? "My short-term goal is to be a successful captain and do the best I can at my current job. I have invested many hours learning the art and science of leadership and warfare and I still have a long way to go. If the next 16 years are as challenging and rewarding as the first four years I would like to stay on active duty until I retire."

*(Kentucky Wesleyan students will learn more about Bosnia on Leadership Day on November 6. The featured speaker is Scott O'Grady, nationally recognized hero and best selling author of Return with Honor. He evaded capture by his enemy for six days after he was shot down over Bosnian airspace.)*

**49** **John B. Peterson** lives in Hudson,

Ohio and would love to re-establish contacts with those friends of his youth from the Winchester campus – including those N.J. boys in Keys fraternity.

**51** **Lawrence A. Lemons** is a retired United

Methodist minister, living in Woodbine, Ga. He has one daughter, Pamela Jane Lemons Rogers.

**52** ★ **50th REUNION**  
May 10-11, 2002;

Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**56** ★ **45th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**57** ★ **45th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**58** ★ **45th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**59** ★ **45th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**60** ★ **45th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**62** ★ **40th REUNION**

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**66** **John Maglinger** is the communica-

tions director at Wax Works/Video Works in Owensboro

where his job entails interviewing celebrities and writing stories for the company's trade magazine, "Hot Sheet." He and his wife Loretta have two sons.

**Tarrell Thompson** gave the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, a five-foot solid wood, hand-made cross and flame, the symbol of the United Methodist Church. MTSO has incorporated this symbol as part of the school's welcoming sign at its entrance. Tarrell received his masters of divinity from MTSO.

**67 Spencer Clark III** married Sonia Solanki on May 20. The ceremony was performed by his uncle, the **Rev. Samuel R. Clark '52**. Spencer was recently named vice president and dean of Cadence University, the corporate education arm of Cadence Design Systems, Inc., the world's leading supplier of electronic design products and services. He lives in Los Gatos, Calif.

**68 H. Michael Robinson** is superintendent of South Spencer County School Corporation in Indiana. He retired from Daviess County Public Schools after 30 years as teacher, principal and assistant superintendent. He and his wife Cheri have two children, Travis and Michelle.

**Ernie Simpson** has retired as basketball coach after 30 years; the past 16 were spent at Bowling Green, Ky. High School. He has a 565-244 overall record and is the 12th winningest boys coach in state history, according to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association's record book. Simpson made it to the Sweet 16 four times at three schools.

**69 Stewart "Peter" Smith** has been day trading the stock market in Greensburg, Ind. for the last six years. He previously worked for the Polaroid Corporation and was a general merchandise broker.

**70 Larry T. McClure** is a physician in Leitchfield, Ky. He is a member of the Fellow American Academy of Family Physicians.

**71** ★ 30th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION  
April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**72** ★ 30th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION  
April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111  
**Mel L. Henton** is director of development of the Adult Day Center of Somerset County in Stockton, N.J.

**73** ★ 30th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION  
April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**74 Rhonda Parker Bell** was honored as Citizen of the Year in Sebree, Ky. at the annual Sebree Chamber of Commerce membership banquet.

**76 Bill Adcock** was recently interviewed by WFIE television in Evansville, Ind. about his book, *Leola*. He purposely wore his white KWC sweater for the interview.

**77** ★ 25th REUNION  
April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**79 Patricia Lawson**, a primary teacher at Foust Elementary School, is retiring after 33 years in the classroom. She was recently named Owensboro Public Schools' Elementary School Teacher of the Year. She earned her master's degree in elementary education from Western Ky. University. She and her husband, Dennis, have two children.

**80 Keith T. Applegate** is with Family Practice Associates of Lexington – a partner in group practice of family medicine. He was former chief of staff of Humana Hospital in Lexington.

**82 Janet L. Pirtle** is an accounting clerk with Ken-Tron Manufacturing, Inc. and lives in Utica, Ky. She is also a member of the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra Chorus.

**83 Sherry Miller Feldpausch** is a trust administrative officer of the Glenview Trust Company, specializing in trust and estate planning. She and her husband Joseph have two children, Eric and Elizabeth.  
**Richard A. Mahan** is on the faculty/staff of the University of Kentucky Medical Center.

**Mitch Settle**, senior vice president of Hilliard Lyons Inc., has been named to the CEO Council for the eighth consecutive year. He has been with Hilliard Lyons since 1986. Mitch serves as a KWC Trustee.

**85 Elizabeth Jones Brandt** is an aerobics instructor with Midwest Athletic Club in Center Point, Iowa. She and her husband Russell have three children, Brittany, Marissa and Brayton.

**Natalie Bowman Hay** and her husband Herb have three children, Nathan, Brendon and Benjamin, and live in Columbia, Ky.

**John Richard White** married Theresa Ann Devers on May 26. He is employed as a director for WAVE-TV and as an announcer for WFPL-FM in Louisville.

**Aris S. Yiallourides** is a senior manager IT consultant for LK GlovalSoft.com Ltd. in Nicosia, Cyprus. He and his wife Despo have two children, Christina and Soteris. Aris wants to hear from his old soccer teammates.

**86 Sherry Macpherson Baker** is an employment specialist with Genesys Regional Medical Center in Howell, Mich. She and her husband Michael have two children, Zachary Michael and 3-month-old Abigail Elizabeth.

**Panayides Christos** is an insurance underwriter for Eurolife Ltd. in Nicosia, Cyprus.

**Tina Jarboe Oleson** has been named the 2001 Outstanding Young Woman of Perry County, Ind. by the Perry County Womans Club. She lives in Tell City with her husband, Doug, a former KWC head librarian, and their son, Caleb. Tina works for the Cannelton Public Schools.

**Richard Seddon** lives in Highlands Ranch, Col.

**John W. Tullis** married Lisa Mingus on June 2. He has a juris doctorate degree in law from Salmon P. Chase Law School and is an attorney at law in Owensboro.

**87 Charls E. Amadi** is an oil trader and president of Charlvon Ltd., in Warri, Delta State, Nigeria. He is married to Iyobosa Yvonne Gbubemi Amadi.

**89 Louise Clausen** is assistant dean for residence life and judicial affairs at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg, N.C. She has two children, Rachel and Emma.

**90 Richard Adkins** is a government education sales consultant with Pomeroy Computer Resources in Louisville. He and his wife Nikki have daughter, Emily.

**Julie Frank Buxton** and her husband Steve had their first child, Ryan, on May 23, 2000, and have recently moved to Roanoke, Va. where Julie is a parttime immigration consultant.

**Marybeth King** is the senior convention services manager for Vail Marriott Mountain Resort & Spa in Vail, Col.

**Adam Wojtelwicz** earned his masters in management from Eastern College in February and is director of finance for Archmere Academy in Claymont, Del. He and his wife Gina and their son, Nicholas, live in Folsom, Penn.

## 91 ★ 10th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**Heather Payton Boutell** is one of 14 instructors from the southern states selected to teach at the New Aid Officers' Workshop this summer at Furman University. She is associate director of financial aid for Bellarmine University. She and her husband, **Stephen Boutell '92**, live in Louisville and are the parents of Jonah and Ben.

**Janet Griffey Kunkle** and her husband Warren are new parents to Jacob Lee, born July 26, 2000, who joins big sister, Sarah Beth. Janet is secretary of the Ashland Youth Services Center in Ashland, Ky.

**Jennifer McKinney** received her Ph.D. from Purdue University.

## 92 ★ 10th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**Tom and Karen LaMure Carter '91** had a baby boy, Dale, born July 29, 2000. Tom is an attorney with Greenwald, Gosnell and Carter in Louisville.

**Amy Jewell Glover** and **Mark Glover '93** have recently moved to Newburgh, Ind. Mark is with WEHT television in Evansville.

**Duane Marrett** married Carrie Silver on June 30. He is a multi-media development specialist/technical writer at Thermwood Corporation in Dale, Ind.

**Amy Priar** has been named manager of Owensboro Mercy Health System's pediatrics and women's units. She is a regis-

tered nurse with specialty certification in medical-surgical nursing and is the local director for Think-First, a national injury prevention program.

**Chris and Georganna Mills Wills '93** had a baby, Tyler Christian, born August 1, 2000. They live in Charlotte, N.C.

## 93 ★ 10th CLUSTER YEAR REUNION

April 27, 2002; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-926-3111

**Perry S. Corbin** received his Ph.D in chemistry from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He and his wife, Rebecca, have recently moved to Ashland, Ohio where they have accepted positions as assistant professors in the department of chemistry at Ashland University.

**Edward and Jodi Parks Krahwinkel** had a baby boy, Owen Edward, on November 20, 2000.

## 94 Rebecca Tincher Murphy

married Mark Murphy on February 17 and they live in Louisville. She is a telecommunications software specialist with RLT Support LLC in Waddy, Ky.

## 95 Daniel Fuller and his wife Jane Terrell

Fuller have a new baby, Jackson Terrell, born October 12, 2000. Daniel is an industrial hygienist with Alcan Ingot in Owensboro.

**Elizabeth Bender Lehner** and her husband, William, have moved to Anacortes, Wash. where he is stationed with the U.S. Navy.

**Jennifer Everly Munster** has joined the Mission Advancement Team of the Ursuline Sisters of Mount St. Joseph in Owensboro as administrative assistant.

## 96 Michael Cheaney

is the new head men's basketball coach at Wilberforce University in Ohio. He has been a Wilberforce assistant for two

seasons, after serving as graduate assistant at DePauw University and assistant at Wheeling Jesuit College. He earned his



Michael Cheaney

master's degree in sports management at Indiana State University. Michael currently holds KWC's single-season field goal percentage of 64.9, set during the 1995 season.

**Cynde Rowell Clausen** graduated from Salmon P. Chase College of Law in May and plans to take the bar exam in July. Her husband **John Clausen '96** received his masters degree from Northern Kentucky and is a special education teacher for Boone County Schools.

**Becky VanMeter** is a financial analyst with NCS HealthCare in Columbus, Ohio. She is also in the MBA program at Ashland University.

**Chad Morris** is a chemical engineer with SAIC in Louisville. He and his wife Kathleen have one daughter, Linley Denise, who was born April 25.

## 97 Marlys Rogers married Troy Gerald

Handeland on June 16. She has a master of arts degree in secondary education from Indiana University and is employed by Grand View Lodge Resort Shores and More Realty in Nisswa, Minn.

**Nikki Fint** married Matthew Martin April 21 in Fort Walton Beach, Fla. She is a registered nurse.

**Jason Rudd** is a corporate lawyer with Verner, Lipfert, Bernhard, McPherson & Hand in Houston, Tx.

## 98 Melody Allen

is a social worker in Louisville. **Annessa Ann Babic** is a doctoral student and teaching assis-

tant at SUNY at Stony Brook, Stony Brook, N.Y.

**Jason Guthrie** married Mindi Kam Gaddis on June 9. He is a social studies teacher and football coach at Brentwood High School in Brentwood, Tenn.

**Frederick W. Hager** is a teacher at Clewiston Middle School in Clewiston, Fla. He has one child, 2-year-old Houston.

**Jonathon David Warren** married Gennifer Macy Curry on May 26. He is employed with West Kentucky 2-Way Radio in Hopkinsville, Ky.

## 99 Becky Barr Lattus and her husband Ben

had a baby boy, Sebastian Joseph, on March 29. Becky is a nursing student. They live in Owensboro.

**John David Sandefur** and Jessica Anne Trunnell married on May 26. He is a certified public accountant at the firm of Riney, Hancock and Co. in Owensboro.

## 00 Emily Bellamy

married Eric Baur on June 2. She is attending graduate school at Western Kentucky University.

**Jerrilynn Bender** married Jeremy Klueh on June 9. She is an elementary music teacher at North Spencer School Corporation.

**Marcie Colston** married Joshua Vooris on May 19. She is a legal proofer for the Legislative Research Commission in Frankfort, Ky.

**Patrick Critchelow** will be teaching health at Breckinridge County High School this fall and coaching the boys freshman basketball team. His wife, **Kari LaGrange Critchelow '00** completed her first year as a teacher at Owensboro Senior High School.

**Holly Estes** married Eric Simpson on April 21. She is employed at the Hancock County Attorney's office and teaches college English at Branchville Correctional Facility through Oakland City University.

**Len Joyce** is working in a

bank in Denver, Col. as a new accounts representative.

**Angela Smith** has been hired as administrative assistant for the Owensboro Mercy Health System Foundation for Health.

**Jennifer Miller** married **Ryan Patrick Edge '01** on March 31. She is a registered nurse in the neuroscience unit at Owensboro Mercy Health System. Ryan is a LAN/desktop operations analyst for Kimberly Clark Corp. in Owensboro.

**Patricia Suyak** has started Lindsey and Suyak Investigations, which includes pre-rental criminal background checks, skip tracing and photo surveillance. She is a member of the Kentucky Professional Investigators Association.

## In Memoriam

**29 E. Powell Deacon** on May 28 in Lexington. On September 29, 1995 Kentucky Wesleyan's Deacon Hall was dedicated in honor of Powell Deacon, his wife **Hallie Royster Deacon '30** who died in 1992, and their daughter Donna Deacon who died in 1989, for their generous contributions to and loyal support of KWC. A native of Logan County, Ky., "Deac" was active in football, baseball, the Mystic Thirteen, and president of his senior class while at KWC. He received his masters degree from the Y.M.C.A. Graduate School in 1931 and joined the staff of the Armed Services Y.M.C.A. in 1934. In 1950 he was named executive director of the Honolulu Armed Services Y.M.C.A. and served there until his retirement in 1972. Deac lived in Hawaii for 43 years before moving back to Kentucky in 1993. In addition to his wife and daughter, Deac was preceded in death by his brother **James Murrell Deacon '27**, and his sisters **Gladys Lucille Deacon '28** and **Carolyn Elizabeth Deacon '32**. In a letter written to the college in 1963, Deac said,

"I wish for Kentucky Wesleyan ever increasing success...she has been the door of opportunity for many in the past, and I hope she can be the door for an even greater opportunity in the future."

**37 Robert Grace Shaver** on May 26 in Owensboro. A Muhlenberg County native, he was a retired minister, a member of the Kentucky Conference United Methodist Church and served for eight years as trustee of Kentucky Wesleyan and 20 years as trustee for Methodist Hospital. His wife of 64 years, Ruby, preceded him in death. Survivors include a brother **Charles Shaver '40** of Central City, Ky.

**38 Gladys Sams Greene** on May 5 in Winchester, Ky. She was a former Avon employee and the widow of Roy Greene.

**41 Irene Cochran Dorsey** on April 13 in Lexington. She earned her BA, with honors, from Kentucky Wesleyan College at Winchester, where she met her husband of 59 years, **Harold W. Dorsey '38**, who survives Irene. While at Kentucky Wesleyan she was active in many organizations and served as president of the Women's Council. A member of the Epworth United Methodist Church, the United Methodist Women, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Daughters of the American Colonists, she also was a teacher at Pleasureville, Campellsburg, New Castle, Estill County and Prestonsburg High Schools. A son, Edwin Cochran Dorsey, preceded her in death.

**Jesse Kash Jr.** on March 8 in Wilmore, Ky. Formerly of Winchester, he was a retired employee of Lexington-Blue Grass Army Depot, and a World War II veteran. He is survived by his wife, Pauline Shelton Kash.

**Harry A. Pullen** on April 16 in Owensboro. A Louisville native, he was a retired United Methodist minister, a member of St. John United Methodist Church Charge Conference and a graduate of Louisville Presbyterian Seminary. He served churches in Middletown, Madisonville, the Owensboro circuit and Franklin and had been a district superintendent of the Louisville District. Survivors include his wife of 63 years, Opal Pullen; a son, Harry A. Pullen III of Owensboro and two grandchildren.

**45 Mary Katheryn Wells Schmitt** on May 4 in Prestonsburg, Ky. She was a native of Johnson County and a retired social worker. Survivors include a son, Michael Schmitt of Paintsville.

**62 Clifford O'Dell Taylor** on April 4 in Madison, Ind. A native of Boonville, Ind., he was owner and operator of Taylor Tours and Cliff Fund Raising. He received a master's degree from Indiana State University. He had been director of Madison Ohio Valley Arts Council for 27 years and was a member of Christ Episcopal Church. Survivors include his wife, June Oldberding Taylor; a son, Dell Taylor of Deputy, Ind.; a daughter, Natalie Taylor Herrington of Bowling Green, Ky. and four grandchildren.

**65 Thomas A. Hartmann** on March 5 in Owensboro. The Reading, Pa., native retired as manager of the Red Spot and Indurall paint stores in Owensboro and was a member of St. Stephen Cathedral. Survivors include his wife of 33 years, **Joan Curd Hartmann '68**; a daughter, Robyn Weil of Austin, Tx.; and his mother, Evelyn Hartmann of Owensboro.

**Barbara Ruth Milner Rankin** on April 6 in Lexington. While at Kentucky Wesleyan she was a member of Oak and Ivy and an elementary education major. Erlanger United Methodist Church was her home church. She married **Donald E. Rankin '65**, member of the KWC board of trustees, on August 14, 1965. Survivors include her husband; and her parents, Robert and Helen Milner.

**69 Nancy Ann Lennox McDaniel** on April 4 in Glendale, Ariz. A native of Indianapolis, she was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority and received her master's degree from Arizona State University. She was a third grade teacher in the Alhambra School District in Glendale, Ariz. for 27 years. Survivors include her husband of 25 years, Bob and a son, John, both of Glendale; her mother Juanita Holevas of Sun City, Ariz.; and a sister Ellen Lennox of West Lafayette, Ind.

**98 Megan Clark** on May 15 in Owensboro. The Evansville native worked in sales for Commonwealth Wine and Spirits, was a member of Blessed Mother Catholic Church and was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority. Survivors include her parents, P. Michael and Rose Clark, a retired professor of nursing at Kentucky Wesleyan; a brother, **Brian Clark '96**; and a sister, Erin Clark, all of Owensboro.

## Trustee

**The Rev. William Slider** in Louisville. He was a member of Christ Church United Methodist and had served as a trustee for Kentucky Wesleyan from 1963-1972.

# Imagine that . . .

by Joyce Ann Evans

Over 20 years ago, **Nancy Brooks Thaxton '41** decided she wanted topiaries in her back yard. "I got the idea from visiting Disney World with the Mickey and Minnie Mouse figures and I thought, 'maybe I can do something like that.'"

Imagination and experimentation took over from there. Rather than use a wire form, as many parks use, Thaxton clips her topiaries free handed, taking inspiration from the natural shape of each plant. "I just started experimenting and I looked



*Scissors are the tool of choice for the smaller, more meticulous work.*

at pictures. I also have some figurines in the yard that I studied," Thaxton said.

Her tools of trade include only a pair of battery powered hand clippers and scissors. "The scissors help shape between the ears," she explained.

One time Thaxton called for help from the little boy next door. "I decided to shape a pig and I asked a young neighbor boy if he had a storybook with a picture of a pig," she said. "He brought over an encyclopedia as big as he was, but it had

the picture I needed."

The shrub of choice is the taxus shrub that her husband started from cuttings many years ago and planted along the driveway. When she decided to do topiaries, they were moved to the garden.

As far as maintenance goes, Thaxton said, "In the spring the shrubs are all grown out and have long shoots and that's the best time to work with them. In the summer I only have to shape them up once or twice a month with the scissors."

Inventiveness also enters into the picture for Thaxton. For instance, to get the pig's tail to curl she wrapped a taxus shoot around a cardboard toilet paper roll.

Other creatures in her topiary garden are a squirrel and a peacock. "I read in one of my magazines that you can't have a topiary garden without a peacock."

A pair of spiral topiaries are the biggest challenge for Thaxton because it's hard to find taxus with straight trunks. "The basket is the easiest to shape," she said. "For Easter I put eggs in the basket for my grandchildren." And of course a rabbit also graces her garden, as well as a parasol.

She and her husband Bob have four daughters and eight grandchildren; however Thaxton said none of her daughters have picked up the art of topiary.

Originally from Winchester, Thaxton graduated from Kentucky Wesleyan in 1941. "Back in those days you were either in education or the ministry, so I studied math and taught for two years after graduation, but Bob was in the Army so I traveled with him."

Talking about her days at the Winchester campus, Thaxton said, "I could walk to school. I walked to grade school, to high school and to college."

"Most of my friends went to KWC and it was a lot of fun. I liked to spend the night with my friends in the dorm, because I lived at home," she said. She also remembers the sorority parties. "There was no dancing, so we had dinner parties and picnics."

As a tribute to her *alma mater*, Thaxton has a new topiary project. She is shaping two of her larger shrub to represent the pillars at College Park, the former home of Kentucky Wesleyan College in Winchester.



*Thaxton uses hand clippers to create and shape her topiary art.*



*Creativity shaped this pig's tail - Thaxton used a cardboard toilet paper roll to curl the tail.*



*According to Thaxton, "You can't have a topiary garden without a peacock."*

# Activities and Events

## August

- 6 Louisville Chapter visits Slugger Field
- 18 **Alumni Association Board of Directors meeting**
- 19 **Welcome Back Dance**
- 21 **Classes begin**
- 25 Winchester Picnic

## September

- 1 **Football vs. Southwest Baptist, 6 pm**
- 4 Volleyball at Oakland City, 7 pm
- 6 Volleyball at Campbellsville, 7 pm
- 8 **Football vs. Missouri, 1:30 pm**
- 9 **Phonathon begins**
- 11 Volleyball at Bellarmine, 6:30 pm
- 13 Football at Tennessee Martin, 6:30 pm
- 14 **Volleyball vs. Lewis, 7 pm**
- 15 **Volleyball vs. Wisconsin Parkside, 1 pm**
- 18 **Volleyball vs. Cumberland, 5 pm**
- 21 Volleyball at Southern Indiana, 7 pm  
Volleyball at SIU Edwardsville, 1 pm
- 22 Football at Cumberland, 1:30 pm
- 25 **Volleyball vs. Oakland City, 7 pm**
- 28 **Volleyball vs. Missouri St. Louis, 7 pm**
- 29 **Volleyball vs. Quincy, 1 pm**
- 29 Football at Bethel, 1:30 pm

## October

- 3 **Volleyball vs. Brescia, 7 pm**
- 6 Volleyball at Saint Joseph's, 1 pm  
Football at Saint Joseph's, Noon
- Admissions Open House**
- 12 Volleyball Spalding at Brescia, 7 pm
- 13 **Football vs. Campbellsville, 1:30 pm**
- 15 **College 101**
- 16 **Volleyball vs. Bellarmine, 7 pm**
- 19 **Volleyball vs. Saint Joseph's, 7 pm**
- Fall Break-No Classes**
- 20 **Volleyball vs. Northern Kentucky, 1 pm**  
Football at Austin Peay, 6:30 pm
- 23 Volleyball at Brescia, 7 pm
- 26 **Volleyball vs. SIU Edwardsville, 7 pm**
- 27 Football at Quincy, 1:30 pm
- 28 **Volleyball vs. Campbellsville, 6 pm**

## November

- 2 Volleyball at Quincy, 7 pm
- 3 **Homecoming**  
**Football vs. Morehead State, 1:30 pm**  
Volleyball at Missouri St. Louis, 1 pm
- 4 **Basketball vs. Harlem Globetrotters (exh.), 3 pm**
- 6 **Leadership Day**
- 12 **College 101**
- 15 Basketball at Cincinnati (exh.), TBA

## Send or email us your news!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Spouse name \_\_\_\_\_ Year graduated if alumna/alumnus \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation of spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your business/location \_\_\_\_\_

Your title \_\_\_\_\_ Business phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Name/ages of children \_\_\_\_\_

Additional news such as honors, awards, promotions, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

If you know any prospective students who may be interested in Kentucky Wesleyan College and are high school juniors or seniors, please give us their name, address, graduation and high school name/location: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to: Office of Alumni, Kentucky Wesleyan College, 3000 Frederica Street, Owensboro, KY 42301**  
**Enclose a photograph if possible!**

WWW.KWC.EDU



*Kelly Nelson closes the Commencement ceremony by ringing the Millersburg bell, a new tradition begun in 2000 after the bell sat silent for 110 years.*



Kentucky Wesleyan College  
3000 Frederica Street  
P.O. Box 1039  
Owensboro, KY 42302-1039

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

NON-PROFIT  
U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
OWENSBORO, KY  
42301  
PERMIT #398



[www.kwc.edu](http://www.kwc.edu)