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KWC welcomes new faculty, adds new programs

Kentucky Wesleyan offers two new academic programs this fall. Students can now major in journalism, and physical education majors will be able to acquire certification in Health Education.

The college hired **Momo Rogers** as associate professor of journalism, to teach and direct the journalism program, located in the Ralph Center and part of the communications program. In addition Rogers is advisor of the Panogram, the student newspaper.

Rogers received a B.A. from Lincoln University, a M.A. from Ohio State University and a Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University. He comes to KWC from Lane College where he was associate professor. He formerly served as associate professor at Middle Tennessee State University and assistant professor at Delaware State College. He was also a graduate teaching assistant at Southern Illinois University and an instructor at the University of Liberia.



Momo Rogers

The physical education program has expanded its offerings to include certification (a minor) in health education. In the future, KWC graduates can be certified to teach physical education and health classes.

Steven Grimes comes to Kentucky Wesleyan as assistant professor of health and physical education. Grimes was awarded a B.A. from Eastern Kentucky University, and a M.S., M.A.Ed. and M.P.H. from Western Kentucky University. He earned an Ed.D. from Tennessee State University and is currently completing a Dr.P.H. (ABD) from Charles Sturt University. He joins the faculty having served as an instructor at Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green Community College and Draughtons Junior College, where he also served as department head. He previously worked as a graduate research assistant at Tennessee State University and Western Kentucky University.

The college is also pleased to



Steven Grimes



Tony Lee



Sean Busick



Bernard Bettinelli



Lynette Taylor

welcome new professors in the fields of English, history and psychology.

Tony Lee was hired as assistant professor of English. Lee graduated from the University of Texas where he earned a B.A. He completed his M.A. at the University of Chicago and earned a Ph.D. from the University of Arkansas, where he previously served as a lecturer. Prior to that, Lee was an instructor at Veterans Upward Bound, Upward Bound and a graduate instructor at the University of Arkansas.

Sean Busick is the new assistant professor of history. Busick received a B.A. from Purdue University, and a M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina. He previously taught as an adjunct professor at Brevard College and was formerly a graduate teaching assistant at the University of South Carolina, where he held a visiting research professorship.

Bernard Bettinelli joins the faculty as assistant professor of

psychology. He graduated from Holy Cross College with a B.A. and earned a M.A. from Wake Forest University. He completed his Ed.D. at the University of Massachusetts. Bettinelli comes to KWC from Massachusetts where he was an assistant professor at Westfield State College after serving as adjunct professor there as well as Holyoke Community College and Baypath College. Prior to that he worked as a psychologist for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health for over 20 years.

Lynette Taylor is the new assistant professor of psychology. Taylor earned a B.S. from the University of Alabama and a M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Florida. She comes to KWC via Indiana University Southeast where she was a visiting assistant professor. Previously she served as a visiting assistant professor, graduate instructor and graduate research assistant at the University of Florida.

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A star is born

Dique Hollowell is a "star." He was recently awarded the STAR Award from the Volunteer Center in Owensboro for Sharing his Time And Resources with the residents of the Boulware Center, a local shelter that assists individuals with housing and employment needs. This award is the highest volunteer recognition and honor given in this community.

Hollowell, a custodian at KWC since March 2001, has been a volunteer at the Boulware Center for over two years. "As a former resident myself, I learned first-hand the value of the services the Center provides. God is good to me and allowed me to get back on my feet again through the help of this organization," said Hollowell. "Giving back is something I *want* to do. It is my way to praise and thank God, thank the Center and give to others what has been given to me."

Congratulations Dique, we think you're a "star" too!

King, Hager receive honorary degrees

Kentucky Wesleyan College had the distinct honor and pleasure of bestowing two honorary degrees this semester.

At Opening Convocation in August, Bishop James R. King Jr., bishop of the Kentucky and Redbird Conferences of the United Methodist Church, was awarded an honorary doctor of divinity degree from the college for his lifelong leadership in the United Methodist Church.

King was elected bishop of the United Methodist Church in July 2000 and was assigned to the Kentucky Conference. Prior to his election as bishop he served as the senior pastor at Brentwood United Methodist Church in Brentwood, Tenn. Earlier appointments include district superintendent of the Murfreesboro District and churches in Alabama, California and Tennessee.

King has held numerous leadership positions in the Tennessee Conference, including associate director of its council on ministries, and its conference youth director. He has also served as director of the Wesley Foundation at Tennessee State University. Recognized for his leadership, he was three times elected a delegate to General Conference and four times as a delegate to Jurisdictional Conference.

Having earned a B.A. from



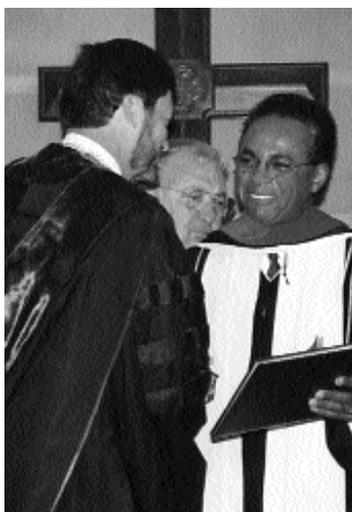
Frankie Hager beams a gracious smile as she receives an honorary degree.

Clark College, King received a master of divinity degree from the International Theological Center in Atlanta.

Frankie Scott Hager received an honorary doctor of laws degree at Leadership Day in November.

Hager, a 1957 Kentucky Wesleyan alumna and member of the board of trustees, was presented this honor in recognition of her contributions and service as a lawyer, volunteer, philanthropist, civic leader, and loyal alumna of her *alma mater*. Her gifts of time, talent and resources have made an impact on people, organizations and institutions in this community. Along with her husband, Larry Hager, the Hager Foundation has committed itself to the support of children. The arts have also benefitted from Hager's leadership, and her commitment to their role in making this community a stimulating place for its citizens is exemplary. In addition, Hager has given significant leadership in her church and in the larger United Methodist Church.

Kentucky Wesleyan College has advanced from Hager's leadership as a trustee, as a volunteer, and as a thoughtful and generous investor. In 1995 in recognition of her leadership, Hager received the Outstanding Alumna Award, the highest honor presented by the Kentucky Wesleyan College Alumni Association.



Dr. Wesley H. Poling congratulates Bishop King as he receives an honorary degree.

KWC rated "Best Value" college...again



U.S. News and World Report has once again rated Kentucky Wesleyan College as one of the top ten best educational values in the South in their annual college report.

The *U.S. News* ranking rates Kentucky Wesleyan as sixth (6th) best value college in the South for Southern Comprehensive Colleges. Previously, KWC has been ranked in the top ten five times in the past nine years. The highest rating received by the college was No. 1 in 1994.

The best value ratings are based on three variables – percentage of all undergraduates receiving grants meeting financial need, average cost after receiving grants based on needs and average discount percentage of a school's total cost.

According to *U.S. News*, the rankings provide a realistic measure of where students can get the best education for their money.

Overall, KWC is ranked in the first tier of Southern Comprehensive Colleges at No. 22. *U.S. News* lists the top 25 schools, making up the top tier, followed by three tiers of schools – second through fourth – rounding out at No. 100.

"We are proud that Kentucky Wesleyan is consistently recognized for both its educational quality and its value," said President Wesley H. Poling. "We believe this exemplifies why KWC is a good investment for our students and their families."

A comprehensive institution focuses on undergraduate education and offers a range of degree programs in the liberal arts and in professional fields such as business, communications, criminal justice and education. There are 322 comprehensive colleges, ranked within four regions – the Midwest, North, South and West.

Bioterrorism workshop held at KWC

In November Kentucky Wesleyan College hosted "Bioterrorism: Where We Were and Where We Are," a continuing medical education workshop held in the Winchester Campus Community Center. Sponsored by Owensboro Mercy Health System and Jewish Hospital (in Louisville), the workshop was presented by the University of Louisville Center for the Deterrence of Biowarfare and Bioterrorism, (accredited by the U of L School of Medicine) and focused specifically on recognizing and responding to the threat of bioterrorism. Topics of discussion included a review of the fall 2001 anthrax attacks and what has been learned, as well as preparedness for future attacks. The workshop also focused on recognizing smallpox, prevention and

transmission and replicated inhalation of anthrax on a simulator. The workshop was designed for all physician specialties, emergency care providers and law enforcement agencies.

Established in 2001, after the anthrax scares in Florida and Washington which followed the attacks of 9/11, the U of L Center for the Deterrence of Biowarfare and Bioterrorism was recently named one of seven specialty centers across the nation for public health preparedness by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. This center has trained more than 1,000 physicians, nurses and emergency personnel to respond to a bioterror attack.

This was a "first" for Kentucky Wesleyan College. Based on its success, it will not be the last, either.

Thank you!



Pictured above are student callers (front row) Ashley Garrett, Kirk Wardrip, Megan Evans, (back row) Nathan Lee and Chris Cannon.

Thanks, alumni, parents and friends for taking your time to speak with us during our annual Phonathon, and for sharing your experiences and stories about Kentucky Wesleyan. Your participation helped secure \$58,385 in commitments. As a matter of fact, as one of 1301 donors, you helped us set a record number of donors.

There were 20 of us that called you for three weeks in October, sharing news about the campus and asking for your support. Because you said "yes," your contributions to the Wesleyan Fund through Phonathon helps create many superb opportunities for us. Money raised annually for the Wesleyan Fund helps support our scholarships and financial aid, retain outstanding faculty, purchase new equipment and technology and fund new programs at the college. Thanks for your support of the 2002 Phonathon.

We can't wait to speak with you again next year!

- the student callers

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Bergen visits KWC

Kentucky Wesleyan celebrated the 10th anniversary of Leadership Day with a focus on the global perspectives of leadership. During the day students, faculty, staff, local and regional high school students and members of the community participated in a variety of seminars that "globalized" the topics of discussion for the day.

International students from KWC and Brescia University shared their perspective on living in America; Dr. Henry Conner, professor of chemistry, spoke about his sabbatical experience in Slovenia; KWC students discussed missions in foreign lands; and alumna **Julie Roemele '98** talked about her Peace Corp mission in Bulgaria. In addition, there were discussions about leadership from a military perspective, as well as the differ-



Peter Bergen

ence between what crusade and jihad means to the Middle East.

As keynote speaker for the day, Peter Bergen, a freelance journalist and author of *Holy War, Inc.: Inside the Secret World of Osama bin Laden*, spoke about the actions of Osama bin Laden and al-Qaida and the events that led to 9-11. He also shared comments about how the pending war with Iraq may effect future acts of terrorism in this country and abroad.

KWC receives NIH grant

The National Institutes of Health has awarded Kentucky Wesleyan College a \$78,229 grant to support science activities over a two year period.

According to **Steven D. Wilt '92**, professor of biology and grant project coordinator, the grant is a sub-award established by the Kentucky Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (K-BRIN) neurosciences group, which is coordinated by the University of Louisville.

"K-BRIN represents a collaboration between KWC science faculty and the research faculty at the University of Louisville and the University of Kentucky, a consortium that includes only three other independent colleges in the state," said Wilt. He added, "This grant from NIH will support continued research and learning opportunities for KWC students entering biomedical research fields." Funding for this grant comes from the National Institutes of Health and the National Center for Research Resource.

This grant will fund research of the intercellular junctions in

the eyes of African-clawed frogs to better understand the molecular interactions occurring in these organisms. The research will enable students to develop independent projects, become critical and analytical thinkers and provide them with experiences that they can carry into their careers. Additionally, students will learn a wide variety of practical cell and molecular biology skills and techniques. The results from this project will provide a better understanding of the tight junction cytoarchitecture in *Xenopus laevis*, as well as facilitate a greater comprehension of the regulation of the outer blood retinal barrier in this organism.

"We are excited about the opportunities this grant presents to us," said Dr. Wesley H. Poling, president. "Receiving this grant is a testament to the exceptional science program offered at KWC."

This is the third federal grant received since 2001 to fund scientific research projects. The previous grant of \$164,000 was awarded in January from the National Institutes of Health.

KWC appoints new board members

Kentucky Wesleyan College trustees recently appointed **Connie Lou Barnett**, **Thomas B. Grieb '78** and **Barclay McCoy** to the board of trustees.

Barnett is a broker with Home Realty/GMAC in Owensboro. She previously served as past president of the Owensboro Board of Realtors and the Owensboro Daviess County Tourist Commission. She also served, or currently serves, on the boards of Downtown Owensboro, Inc., the Owensboro-Daviess County Chamber of Commerce, and National City Bank.

Grieb, a 1978 graduate of KWC, is senior pastor at St. Paul United Methodist Church in Louisville. Previously he served as senior pastor at Settle Memorial United Methodist Church in Owensboro for six years, and St. John's United Methodist Church in Prospect, Ky. for seven years. Grieb presently serves on the board of ordained ministry of the Kentucky Annual Conference.

McCoy is president and CEO of McCoy and McCoy Laboratories, Inc. in Madisonville, Ky. She is past chair of the Western Kentucky



The 2002-03 Board of Trustees gathered in September for their fall meeting, on of three annual campus meetings.

Coal Association and currently serves on the board of directors of the Associated Industries of Kentucky, the Madisonville-Hopkinsville Chamber of Commerce, the Madisonville Municipal Airport and Old National Bank.

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King and Queen crowned at homecoming



Homecoming '02 was celebrated in November with the crowning of this year's royal court. Homecoming Queen is Megan Evans, a senior from Louisville, and Tanner Turley, a senior from Owensboro, reigns as Homecoming King. A Princess and Prince were also crowned - Allyson Forrest, a junior from Paducah, and Zach Hibbs, a junior from Madisonville.



Seal of approval

Thanks to the generosity and alumna spirit of **Marcia Smith Lawrence '47** the college seal is now displayed over the fireplace in the Smith Lounge in the Winchester Campus Community Center. Through Lawrence, a Winchester graduate and KWC trustee, the campus and community can admire the seal which represents the values and foundation of the college.

2003 Alumni Weekend April 25-27



Write it down now!

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

Alumni Weekend 2003 will be April 25-27.

Come celebrate

40th reunion of the Class of 1963

35th cluster reunion for the
Classes of 1967, 1968 and 1969

25th reunion for the Class of 1978

15th cluster reunion for the
Classes of 1987, 1988 and 1989

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

The Class of 1953 will gather to celebrate their
50th reunion and receive their 50-year medallions during
Commencement Weekend 2003, May 9-10.

WELCOME!

The Kentucky Wesleyan College Alumni Association is proud to welcome its newest members...the Class of 2002.

Stephanie Abebrese	Karen Ellis	Priscilla Miller
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Rodrigo Aguilar	Debbie Evans	Kyla Montgomery
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Daven Edmonds	Melissa Millay	

Does someone you know deserve to be recognized?

The Alumni Association accepts nominations for alumni awards throughout the year. If you want to nominate someone, write a letter detailing your nominee's accomplishments and the reasons for your nomination. If acceptable, we'll place it in competition for the applicable award. For additional information call Berry major at 270-852-3139 or e-mail at bmajor@kwc.edu.

One hundred and twenty Winchester-era alumni and friends attended this year's picnic on the grounds of the former campus in Winchester. Three members of the Class of 1952 – Betty Ratliff Smith, Rev. Lewis Ricketts and Georgie Crain Shanklin – were presented their 50-Year medallions, bringing this year's total receiving medallions to 21 of the 38 living, addressable members in this class.



Meet your new officers and directors

The Alumni Association's officers for the next two years are **Catherine Eblen Sherrard '95**, president; **Emogene Clark Stephenson '59**, president-elect and **Claudia S. Roberts '98**, secretary. Sherrard lives in Owensboro and is the assistant dean of student life at KWC. Stephenson is a retired librarian who lives in Cincinnati, and Roberts, who also lives in Owensboro, works at Williams Gas Pipelines-South Central. The new alumni board directors are:

- **Martha Roberts Hardesty '74** of Owensboro, guidance counselor at Hancock County High School.
- **Kellie Michelle Davenport Hickman '95**, RN case manager for Owensboro Mercy Health Home Care Services.
- **Ann E. Leach '78** of Joplin, Missouri, certified seminar leader and a life coach.
- **Thomas (Tom) C. Major '79**, VP & CFO of Tim Davis & Associates in Elizabethtown, Ky.
- **Stephanie Vargason O'Neal '87**, vice-president/business services officer for BB&T in Owensboro.
- **Robert (Bob) B. Whitfield '58**, from Louisville, retired high school counselor.



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Endowing a scholarship today funds a future

Each year, many students are awarded scholarships that assist them in earning an education at Kentucky Wesleyan College. These scholarships vary in award amount and are given based on various criteria. For 2002, more than 100 students received scholarship awards thanks to the generosity of the donors listed below. These donors believe in the potential of our students, and the value of an education at KWC. *Thank you for your kindness and desire to help fund the future of tomorrow for a student today!*

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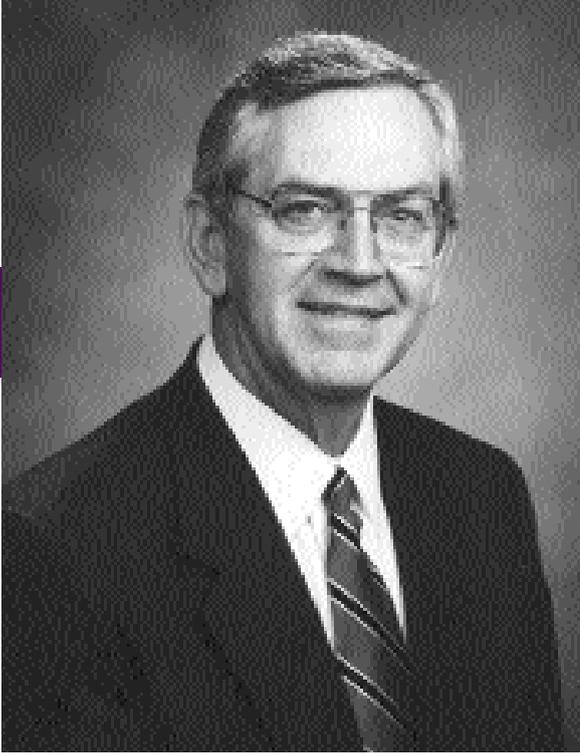


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Serving higher education

by Joyce Ann Evans

“KWC gave me a solid liberal arts foundation. I felt I was fully prepared when I left there. The smaller enrollment helped me be involved in a lot of things.”

It takes a man of great vision and energy to be responsible for 34 public colleges and universities, including four research universities, two regional universities, 13 state universities, two state colleges and 13 two-year colleges. The University System of Georgia selected such a man when **Dr. Thomas Meredith '63** assumed his new position as chancellor on January 1, 2002.

“I love my new job,” said Meredith. “It’s quite exciting. We’re expecting 230,000 students this year.” The University of Georgia System also has 35,000 faculty and staff and an annual budget of \$4.5 billion.

In addition to his new position as chancellor, Meredith was recently named to a two-year term as president of the National Association of System Heads, an organization comprised of the chief executive officers of the 51 public higher education systems in the United States.

Meredith began his initial quest for higher education at Kentucky Wesleyan College. “KWC gave me a solid liberal arts foundation. I felt I was fully prepared when I left there. The smaller enrollment helped me be involved in a lot of things.”

In addition to being on the basketball and baseball teams, Meredith was a sports columnist

for the school newspaper and president of his fraternity. “Kentucky Wesleyan gave me the opportunity to serve in several leadership positions. All of that has paid off for me.

“The person who most influenced me was Dean Doug Sasser,” Meredith continued. “As a matter of fact I just wrote him a letter. He is a distinguished, refined gentleman who showed me there was a bigger world out there.” (**Doug Sasser** is a 1952 alumnus of KWC.)

A native of Owensboro, Meredith taught at Owensboro High School following graduation from Kentucky Wesleyan in 1963 and helped coach basketball and baseball. “I loved every minute of it,” Meredith said.

After teaching for 6 years, Meredith started work on his masters degree at Western Kentucky University, with his goal to be a principal and then a superintendent. “I was encouraged to go for my doctorate in education and was pulled into higher education by several professors and did my research in higher education.”

Meredith holds a master of arts degree in education administration and supervision from Western and a doctor of education degree in administration and supervision with an emphasis in

secondary and higher education from the University of Mississippi. He also completed the Institute for Educational Management program at Harvard University and participated in the October Higher Education Roundtable at Oxford University.

“I was called to come back to Mississippi and served from 1974-1984 as an academic programs officer and as an associate director for programs and planning for the board of trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning in Jackson, Mississippi.” During that period Meredith also taught every semester at Mississippi State, mostly graduate courses for teachers. “I love teaching,” he said.

From 1984-1988 Meredith served the University of Mississippi, first as adjunct professor of higher education and executive assistant to the chancellor, and then as vice chancellor for executive affairs.

Returning to Western Kentucky University in 1988, Meredith served as president and professor of education. After leaving Western in 1997, he served as chancellor of the University of Alabama System. In that capacity, Meredith was responsible for three doctoral

research universities.

The move from the University of Alabama System to the University System of Georgia entails considerably more responsibility for Meredith who says he is using his spare time to visit each of the 34 public colleges and universities in the system, as well as the Georgia legislators. “I don’t have a lot of free time these days, but I have an old English sheep dog named Emma and a poodle named Peaches, and we travel together in our 1972 Volkswagen convertible.”

Meredith has been married to his wife Susan for 30 years and they have two sons. Mark is doing his residency in pediatrics, and Matthew is in his second year of law school at SMU. “Both sons are married to Mississippi girls and doing well,” said Meredith. “We are very proud of them.”

Proud is also a good word to describe the esteem in which both his college and high school hold Meredith. In 1999 he received the Kentucky Wesleyan College Alumni Achievement Award. He has also been inducted into the Owensboro High School Hall of Achievement.

Dr. Thomas Meredith - an Owensboro native who continues to make us proud!

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Students and professors – making an impact

by *Berry Major '60*



Professors Thomas Rogers and Ed Beavin share the limelight for recognition of their work (circa 1967).

From its founding in 1858, Kentucky Wesleyan has prepared young men and women for Christian ministry. Hundreds of students have chosen this college for its excellent reputation for religious instruction under such revered professors as Edgar Cassell, Thomas Rogers and **Ed Beavin '50**. The impact of their teaching has been significant to United Methodist Church congregations within Kentucky and across the nation. Today's alumni who are engaged in Christian ministry serve fifty-nine churches and direct two districts within the Kentucky Conference. Beyond the conference KWC alumni serve such churches as First Ripley in Hermitage, Brentwood's Forrest Hills, and Dyersburg's Faith in Tennessee; Ashburn UMC in Chicago; First UMC in Merrimack, New Hampshire; Trinity on the Hill in Augusta, and Blythe Island and Cumming UMCs in Georgia; Belpre, Minerva, and Jackson Center UMCs in Ohio; Community UMC in Fruitland Park, Florida; UMC of Westford and the UMC in Pembroke,

Massachusetts; Halifax UMC, North Carolina; Fairmount UMC and Calvary in Ft. Wayne, Indiana; the Custer Circuit in Greensburg, Indiana; and Oak Hill UMC in West Austin, Texas...to name just a few.

Alumni ministers also serve in other denominations such as the United Church of Christ in Cincinnati; First Baptist in Alton, Illinois; The Tabernacle in Lawrenceville, Georgia; St. Bartholomew Episcopal in Mayfield Village, Ohio; Crossroads Christian in Lexington; St. Benedict's Abbey in Bartonville, Illinois; First Presbyterian in Honolulu; Holy Family Catholic in Albuquerque; the United Parish of Auburndale in Newton, Massachusetts; St. John of the Cross Liberal Catholic in Kenner, Louisiana; Madison Avenue Baptist in Indianapolis; Communion-Evangelical Episcopal in Memphis; and Evening Church of God in Middletown, Ohio have been served by KWC alumni. They are also engaged in a variety of other ministries such as Our

Lady of Guadeloupe in Los Lunas, New Mexico; the Salvation Army in Louisville; Camp Quinipet in Shelter Island Heights, New York; and the International Bible Society in Millbrook, Alabama and Colorado Springs.

The roster of living alumni ministers includes a Methodist Bishop, a Benedictine Monk, a Liberal Catholic Rector, an Episcopal Archbishop, a Franciscan Friar, an Episcopal Vicar, seven missionaries, ministers and priests, directors, chaplains, and counselors of various faiths, institutions, and geographies. These men and women over the years have served great city churches and rural circuits, led colleges, headed impressive Christian agencies, and served as missionaries in foreign lands. Many have become military, hospital and prison chaplains, directed Christian social agencies, and served as Christian counselors. One helped translate ancient manuscripts; many authored books and taught religion and theology to other

aspiring ministers; another founded a college.

Accompanying this article are the names of alumni ministers* who are still living. These men and women join a great crowd of witnesses who have gone before them to minister to thousands upon thousands, and everywhere they have gone, Kentucky Wesleyan has traveled alongside. We recognize their commitment, acknowledge their work, and rejoice in the lives changed through their ministry.

**Note: Some alumni ministers may now be deceased, a few have changed careers, and some may never have informed the college they have entered or left the ministry. Every effort has been made to include all ministerial alumni; however, both omission and wrongful inclusion may have occurred. If so, please contact the college by emailing bmajor@kwc.edu or calling the Office of Alumni Relations 270-852-3139.*

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The Center for Business Studies provides golden opportunity for students

by Ann Leach '78



As the elevator door opens on the fourth floor of the Barnard-Jones Administration Building you have to wonder where you have ended up. Before you is a layout similar to that of a Fortune 500 company and not an academic classroom. Welcome to the Center for Business Studies, a dream come true for Dr. Jim Welch, chair of the department of business. "We are pleased to be able to offer this program to our students," he claims. "It will provide needed training for those seeking a career in business."

With a vision that marries the college with Owensboro business leaders, the Center utilizes a business advisory committee of fourteen area company CEOs.

These executives may serve as visiting professors for a semester or provide advisement in class projects through presentations and case studies. "We see that we can develop educational series for students, like a human resources services series, or specific management courses for students. These exchanges between students

and community leaders will also help us in evaluating and determining the direction of Center programs," declares Welch. In addition, students may serve internships at these member business locations.

The Center for Business Studies is funded in part through a \$2.4 million matching gift made by an anonymous donor to the *Changing Lives* capital campaign. "We were approached by an anonymous donor to start an entrepreneur program," explained Welch. "The Center is a positive

response to that request." To help sustain the program, donors can contribute specific amounts and then designate rooms in the center for naming opportunities. Scholarship funds are also needed.

Over 6,000 square feet of space was remodeled in order to accommodate the Center for Business Studies. From the time the funding was secured and the first hammer fell, completion took only six months. The physical space includes two computer labs, classrooms, a seminar/conference room and faculty office space. It is designed to help students feel they are physically in a business environment.

"We met our goal of being ready for business this fall!" comments Welch. This was the first step in a five-year plan that includes equipping the Center with the necessary fixtures and furnishings to run a first-rate business department, endowing a chair (the first endowed chair in the history of KWC), funding full and part-time faculty positions, developing media materials that will communicate the Center's mission and message to potential students and to business and community leaders and keeping computer

"An education that works"

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hardware and software current. Additional pieces of the plan will increase library holdings and maintain faculty continued education. In the future the Center will offer consulting services to the surrounding business community and develop a support system for graduates.

According to Welch, it is the desire of the department to involve students in curricula that stress analysis and communication, while emphasizing theory and practice, and are shaped by the needs of the business community and taught within a liberal arts context. He

is most encouraged by the assurance that this education will be provided in a manner that is technically competent, ethically based and socially aware.

“I can’t tell you how pleased we are to have the Center for Business Studies here at KWC,” shares Welch. “So many things are happening here at the college as a result of the generosity of so many donors. It speaks to the very purpose of the *Changing Lives* campaign - we’re doing just that, changing the lives of our students who participate in this process. That’s pretty rewarding.”

Teaching the Teacher

by Joyce Ann Evans

Educating teachers has always been a key program at Kentucky Wesleyan College. Since the very first graduate of the college was a teacher, the college has been producing quality teachers – men and women who mold and shape the minds of future generations.

However, much more is required of today's teacher education students. They must have a 2.5 GPA, take the national teachers exam, have 150 hours of clinical field experience, and they must successfully complete one year of internship following graduation before they are issued a teaching certificate.

Glenn Young '58, director of field experiences for the KWC teacher education program, said, "When I began teaching, I signed a contract, they gave me the keys to the classroom and said, 'Go to it.'"

He continued, "In the last eight to ten years the requirements have doubled. It is much harder, but that's a good thing because we want students to be better prepared and we want the best people we can get to teach our children."

There was a significant change in the Kentucky Wesleyan teacher education program in 1990, just prior to the Kentucky Educational Reform Act (KERA). Education department chairperson Martha O'Bryan said, "As the state reformed public education, the teacher education program had to respond in like manner. As schools are being held accountable, so we are

being held accountable. The department continues to revise about every semester – the entire program has a continuing assessment."

According to O'Bryan, "We have an on-going student assessment process that includes the three gates that students must pass through. First is admission to the program and the criteria that must be met. Second is the application and acceptance to student teaching and finally, the demonstration of development and skill by exiting student teaching."

The newest part of the assessment program is evaluating student dispositions. **Yvonne Taylor '58**, associate professor of education, said, "KWC has always assessed skills and knowledge, but the state now requires assessment of attitudes and dispositions."

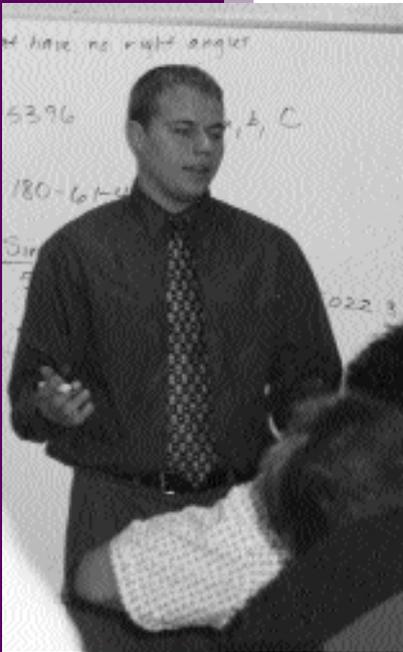
Taylor said, "We have done all types of research in that area. The mission of the KWC teacher education program is to provide students with skills, attitudes and knowledge needed to be successful teachers. Our disposition statement addresses the attitudes held by teachers who are able to help all students learn. Students must demonstrate an acceptable level of adherence to these dispositions if they are to be recommended for teacher certification."

Explaining some of the dispositions of successful teachers, Taylor said, "Teachers must be flexible and be able to solve problems critically, logically and creatively. They must be willing to change, to collaborate with colleagues and parents, and accept criticism because of their desire to grow and become better. In addition they must show a dedication to the profession, and they must demonstrate compassion,

empathy and rapport with students and colleagues. We will implement these criteria next semester."

How important is this new assessment of student dispositions? Taylor said, "A teacher won't make it if they don't have those characteristics."

The success of the KWC teacher



Ryan Sandefur '02 is one of six Kentucky Wesleyan College students doing his student teaching this fall. He teaches pre-calculus and calculus I at Daviess County High School.



First year teacher Katy Evans '02 works with some of her fifth grade students at the Owensboro 5-6 Center.

education program is based on a number of factors. The size of Kentucky Wesleyan is conducive to the education program O'Bryan said. "We are a small institution and we're able to give special attention to the placement of students for field work and for student teaching. Education students must have 150 observation hours before they begin student teaching. Observations begin in the very first course, so they can see if teaching is what they really want to do.

"What sets this program apart from others," O'Bryan continued, "is the job placement and percentage of students placed." According to **Berverley McEnroe '65**, director of KWC's career development office, 44 students from the last three graduation classes have been hired in teaching positions.

One area in teacher education unique to KWC is the weekly seminar for student teachers. Young said, "A lot of schools are interested in hiring Kentucky Wesleyan students because they are prepared. At these seminars we bring in experts to talk about resumes, applications and job interviews. Principals discuss the internship program and we also cover school law and classroom management."

Young continued, "We talk about any problems and we correct those problems. The cooperating teachers also attend. It helps our student teachers be successful."

Another plus for Kentucky Wesleyan is the new location of the Daviess County Public Schools teaching resource center in Massie Hall. O'Bryan said, "We are so thrilled to have it on campus. It will be a real asset for students at Kentucky Wesleyan, Brescia University, and Owensboro Community College, as well as the Daviess County teachers. Kentucky Wesleyan graduate **Doris Sublett '56** is the director of the center.

A new online class is also available. Dr. James Alexander, assistant professor of elementary education, has designed an on-line course for KWC students. The course, entitled Foundation of Reading and Language Arts, is a required course for elementary and middle grade English majors.

Alexander said, "The on-line course must be consistent with the state and

cover the exact content covered in the classroom. I built it as a series of web pages and links, with assignments, outside research, some written lectures, activities and projects to turn in, plus three essay tests.

"There is also a discussion section. It is set up with e-mail groups where the students have to respond to each other's responses. Since the course is teacher directed, I have to log on and teach class."

Alexander is also serving on a committee formed through the Association of Independent Kentucky Colleges and Universities to design on-line modules to help students study for the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) test now required by the state for all education majors who want to be certified in Kentucky.

Of course there are enrollment trends in teacher education, but Taylor said Kentucky Wesleyan has remained constant in the number of teacher education students over the last 10 years, from 130 to 145 students each year.

"We are seeing more male students interested in teaching at the elementary school level," O'Bryan said. "The number of children who do not have a positive male role model in the home is increasing, so a male elementary teacher is very marketable."

Zach Hibbs '04, a junior from Madisonville, is one of those students. "I have always wanted to be a teacher in the classroom. I worked with children in church day care programs and it just lead me in this direction. I want to teach kindergarten through third grade."

O'Bryan said, "We also want minority students who would elect to enter the teaching profession. That is not only a problem at KWC but statewide and even nationwide." According to statistics from the Kentucky Department of Education, there were 40,972 teachers in the state of Kentucky last year and only 4.2% were minority teachers.

All teachers today are challenged in the classroom. O'Bryan and Taylor taught in Guatemala this summer. O'Bryan said, "Students there are not being entertained by the news media, so it was easy to engage them. Teachers in America are called on to be more creative to accomplish the same task. Ultimately we must teach children the value of learning and if they buy into that, the students are

empowered to learn."

Six Kentucky Wesleyan students are student teaching this semester and a number of other recent graduates are serving their internship year, including **Amanda Hicklin '02**, a first grade teacher at Highland Elementary School and **Katy Evans '02**, a fifth grade teacher at the Owensboro 5-6 Center. Both recently talked about their first few weeks in the classroom.

Hicklin said, "I felt I was prepared until the bell rang on the first day of school and I realized I was in charge. But these first weeks have gone well. I have a good group of kids and the other teachers are helpful, so I'm having a great year."

Being in charge was an area Evans also discussed. "Teaching is very rewarding, but you have to come up with ideas. If the students are catching on to what you're teaching you know it, but if they don't understand, then you have to change what you're doing. Every day is an adventure."

Taylor and Young, both members of the education department, directly benefited from the teacher education program at Kentucky Wesleyan.

"I knew in the second grade that I wanted to be a teacher," Taylor said. "KWC gave me the tools to be a lifelong learner. Plus I made connections at Kentucky Wesleyan that have been valuable to both my professional and personal life. Kentucky Wesleyan gave me a good strong foundation in education."

Young knew in high school that he wanted to go into education. "There were people who helped me in high school and KWC professors who were very helpful to me. I actually always wanted to be an elementary school principal and I became one after 2 years of teaching. That was my greatest love."

And he would recommend teaching to anyone. "The satisfaction you get when you help other people plus the rewards of teaching are just overwhelming."



Lee Rice '02 is pictured on the right with her supervising teacher, Kentucky Wesleyan graduate Lori Coghill Thurman '94. Lee is doing her student teaching at Owensboro High School in world civilization, government and African American history.



Amanda Hicklin '02, a first year teacher, helps some of her first grade students at Highland Elementary School.

Working at writing

by *Marisue Coy '69*, Writing Workshop coordinator

Writing practicum.

Term investigative essay. Crutch verbs.

What do these terms mean to current and former students at KWC?

Writing Workshop.

Students who have attended KWC in the past thirty years and completed freshman English here know exactly what I mean. As one who graduated

while programs, but I suspect Writing Workshop affects as many or more KWC students than any other.

I started teaching in the pro-

According to him, Darrell first began working in the program at Drew University and then brought many of the original ideas - including the classroom setup using a large circular table arrangement - to McMurry College where he taught with Combs. When they joined the faculty at Kentucky Wesleyan in 1969, they brought the Writing Workshop program with them. Combs remembers instructors frequently team-taught, often used cartoon comic strips to teach writing principles, and engaged students in creative activities from film production to a College Bowl.

Another innovative component involved cartridge critiques of students' writing. Instructors would tape record comments while grading student papers and include tapes with returned assignments. Combs said former students still mention those tapes to him with one student, who now works as an actor in Hollywood, producing his own version of a taped critique, mimicking Combs' southern

drawl. I remember a student who nearly got in trouble years ago when his RA walked by and heard a woman's voice coming from his room. Dorm rules then prohibited visitors of the opposite sex, so when the RA pounded on the door, the poor student opened it and confessed to listening to a tape I had made of his writing. Poor guy.

The cooperating teacher program, an important part of the course, continues to this day. Outstanding English majors sign up for the six-hour, two-semester course, and work closely with a member of the writing staff, assisting in teaching and planning classes. Combs mentioned several former students who benefited greatly from this experience, especially when they enrolled in graduate school.

One memorable past experience concerned final exams. Years ago, all sections of classes sat for final exams at once, and the Writing Workshop classes met in Presidents Hall for their final writing project. One of the favorites involved a



In the footsteps of her predecessors, Coy works closely with students in developing writing skills.

from Kentucky Wesleyan and has taught in the Writing Workshop program for the past 24 years, I speak from experience. Kentucky Wesleyan College offers many worth-

gram in 1978, but it actually began nine years earlier when Bob Darrell and John Combs arrived on campus in 1969. Recently, I talked with Combs about those early years.



In the early Writing Workshop days, classes were taught by Joe Britton, William Crago, John Combs, Sherry Darrell and Bob Darrell. Can you guess what decade this was?

matchbox assignment for which students gathered as many items as possible to squeeze into a “penny matchbox.” With all freshman writing students gathered, many remembered that experience for years to come (most of them fondly).

Sometimes workshop faculty participated in less academic activities. Combs told of a time when he and Darrell hid outside the classroom on the Administration Building balcony (the windows are sealed now) and surprised the next class and its instructor by walking through the windows and out the door. They sometimes stacked desks in room 305, too, to surprise the next class.

When I entered the scene in 1978, I found that even though I had taught English at Daviess County High School and chaired the department there, I had a thing or two to learn about writing, specifically about teaching writing. Then, as now, the Writing Workshop staff met weekly to go over upcoming lessons and materials, and those meetings with Darrell, Combs, Joe Britton, and Bill Crago opened my eyes. I learned about the “Seven Deadly Sins of Rhetoric.” I memorized “Twenty-seven Ways to Improve Your Writing.” (I might add that we

still use these documents at the beginning of the fall semester and refer to them throughout the year.) And I learned to appreciate the importance of eliminating unnecessary crutch verbs (is, am, are, was, etc.—all the ones we like to use most). Some workshops emphasized editing, others organizational skills, and still others more creative aspects of writing. Workshop instructors varied in teaching styles, of course, but in general, freshmen learned to write and to write well.

On Writing Well - there’s another staple of the program. For as long as I can remember, students read Zinsser’s “classic guide to writing nonfiction.” They learned about clutter. About wordiness. William Zinsser even visited Kentucky Wesleyan, speaking to a full house in Tapscott Chapel and later writing about the Writing Workshop program here at KWC in an article published in the *New York Times*. He named us as one of the colleges in the country that actually taught writing and taught it well.

I will never forget in the early 1980’s when Darrell, director of the program, introduced us all to word processing. Up until this point, workshop classes met in room 305 with students seated in that

circular arrangement of desks I mentioned earlier (complete with name cards - remember those?) and completed writing projects in class with paper and pencil. The KWC campus used computers rather sparingly in those days, and the Writing Workshop staff spent weekly meetings learning about how these machines could help (and hurt) our writing program. Within a few years, workshop classes moved to room 303 next door, making it the first

Kentucky Wesleyan computer classroom with eighteen student desks with computers. Those early years of writing with computers often proved frustrating and invigorating as the workshop staff learned with students about writing and technology.

Now, nearly all workshop materials, assignments, and lessons require computer competency. PantherNet, KWC’s intranet, contains a main page for the workshop program, faculty web pages, syllabi, work-

shop materials (yes, even the “Seven Deadly Sins” and “Twenty-seven Ways to Improve Your Writing” documents), along with links to Internet sites specializing in everything from web page design to MLA documentation. All writing students design and maintain individual web pages, including links to writing assignments, PowerPoint presentations, and other class work. They edit papers on computers now (though there are still a few blue editing pencils floating around room 303) and frequently email assignments as attachments to instructors and to each other.

Yes, some things have changed. Rooms. Desk arrangement. Some workshop instructors. Computers. Web pages. But some things remain the same. The Writing Workshop program still strives to teach college freshmen how to write well for all classes. Students still practice techniques in class and sometimes work with partners. Students still read *On Writing Well* and practice eliminating clutter. Second semester research projects still take up most of the semester. And workshop instructors *still* frown on excessive use of crutch verbs.



Today, Professors Tony Lee, Marisue Coy '69, Suzanne Rose and Myrna Melhiser lead the successful Writing Workshop program.

Kentucky Wesleyan

by Roy W. Pickerill '75

S P O R T S

Athletics hires new coaches



Karie Jarrett



Bryan Hamm



Ron Williams

Three new head coaches joined the KWC staff in the fall including a former Panther standout.

Karie Jarrett, a former KWC volleyball star, became the second former player to be named head coach. She was a three-year starter for KWC where she holds the records for most assists in a match (62) and season (786).

Bryan Hamm takes over as

men's golf coach and assistant men's basketball coach. The Denton, Texas native came to KWC after spending two seasons at Ohlone (Jr.) College in Fremont, Calif.

Ron Williams, a native of Lewisport, Ky., joins the staff as the women's golf coach and assistant women's basketball coach after three seasons at Georgetown College.

Hey Panther fans! Did you know...

...that during the 1910-1911 basketball season KWC defeated the University of Kentucky 21 to 19? The team's star of that game was a player named John James Tigert IV. The *Courier-Journal* reported that "but for his excellent play, the game would have ended differently" and went on to say that "some of the best playing seen on the floor this season was done by Tigert." Tigert played center for the Panthers that season, while he worked his "day job" as KWC's 14th president.

Listen to all Kentucky Wesleyan basketball and football games on the Internet

Kentucky Wesleyan College fans, alumni, parents and friends can listen to all Panther basketball and football radio broadcasts from anywhere in the world by going to the KWC website: www.kwc.edu/athletic/audio/htm and click on the game.

An individual must have RealPlayer on their computer to listen to the broadcast of a game. Fans who do not have RealPlayer can download the program free from the KWC

website to their computer. This one-time installation takes time so download RealPlayer ahead of time. Once RealPlayer is installed, anyone can listen to the broadcast of a game.

Each broadcast begins 10 minutes prior to game time and concludes following the post game show with the head coach. WBIO 94.7 FM is the official radio station of the Kentucky Wesleyan College Panthers.

Football Panthers earn Player of the Week honors

Kentucky Wesleyan's Haven Mosley, Jacques Williams and Quentin Womack earned Player of the Week for their performances during the 2002 football season.

Mosley, a junior quarterback from Chicago, received National Offensive Player of the Week honors by *Football Gazette* for his record setting game at North Greenville on Oct. 28. He threw a KWC record 60 passes, completing 25 for 473 yards and four touchdowns and also accumulated 509 yards in total offense.

Williams, a freshman cornerback from Owensboro, received National Special Teams Player of the Week honors by *Football Gazette*. He returned two kickoffs for 104 yards, with one a 91-yard return for a touchdown versus Austin Peay on Oct. 19.

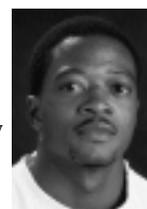
Womack, a junior linebacker from St. Louis, earned Defensive Player of the Week recognition by the Independent Football Alliance. He had 15 tackles including six solos along with a forced fumble and a pass deflection also against Austin Peay.



Haven Mosley



Jacques Williams



Quentin Womack

Calling all former KWC athletes

All former Kentucky Wesleyan student-athletes... your assistance is greatly needed in a project of KWC athletic history. The sports information office is trying to find lost rosters, final statistics, scores, photos (team, group or individual), newspaper clippings, programs, brochures and any other item related to the past sports programs of the college (1908 to the present).

Sports information is needed for baseball, basketball (men and women), football, cross country (men and women), golf (men and women), hockey, soccer (men and women), tennis (men and women), volleyball and other

sports not listed.

Also, tell us what sport you played, where you are and what you are doing. We are updating our all-time sports list and would appreciate your help in providing this information. Please share this with any former teammates or other staff with whom you may be in contact.

Please send information to Roy Pickerill, Sports Information Director
Kentucky Wesleyan College
3000 Frederica Street
Owensboro, KY 42301
Phone: 270-852-3143
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E-Mail: pickeril@kwc.edu

Guy Strong inducted into Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame

Former Kentucky Wesleyan College head men's basketball coach Guy Strong, who led the Panthers to their first NCAA Division II National Championship in 1966, was inducted into the Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame on Sept. 9. He is the first former KWC coach in history to enter the Kentucky Athletic Hall of Fame.

Strong coached KWC for four seasons (1964-67). He had a 73-30 record for an amazing 70.9 winning percentage and guided the Panthers to three NCAA



Guy Strong

tournament appearances. In his third season at the helm, Strong made KWC history as he led the Panthers to their first national championship in any sport with a 24-6 record and was named National Coach of the Year.

He followed the 1966 championship season by coaching the Panthers to a national third place finish in 1967 with a 25-4 record. He saw six of his student-athletes earn All-American status and three play professionally in the old American Basketball Association.

Boswell, Sanders and Thomas sign pro contracts

Kentucky Wesleyan's Tyrus Boswell, Marshall Sanders and Chris Thomas have signed contracts to play professional basketball. Boswell joined the Harlem Globetrotters, Sanders and Thomas now play in the European League with the Essex Basketball Club and Waterford Crystal Basketball Club, respectively.

Boswell, a consensus All-American selection, led KWC in rebounding at 9.1 per game and was second in scoring with 17.9 points. Sanders averaged 10.6 points and 6.1 rebounds for the Panthers this past season. Thomas was the starting center on the KWC 2001 NCAA Championship team averaging 8.9 points and 7.6 rebounds.



Tyrus Boswell



Marshall Sanders



Chris Thomas

Sports Schedules
www.kwc.edu/athletics

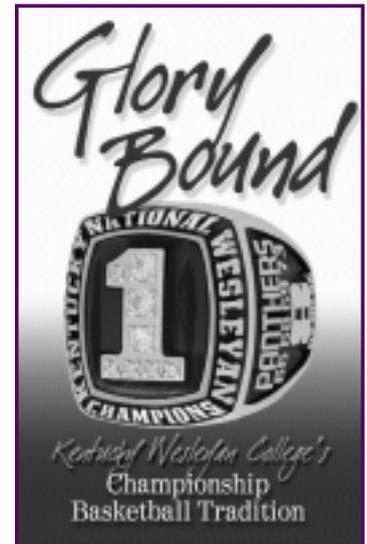
Follow KWC sports...daily!
 Kentucky Wesleyan College fans, alumni, parents and friends can keep up with the Panther athletic teams on a daily basis by visiting KWC's website - www.kwc.edu/athletic. The website contains statistics, rosters, schedules and news on the 11 varsity sports at Kentucky Wesleyan. The athletic web pages are being completely renovated during the 2002-03 season to provide more detailed information on all sports.

Kentucky Wesleyan College's championship basketball tradition

The glamour and glory of Kentucky Wesleyan basketball has been captured for the first time on video. Owensboro-based "A Unique Video Productions," in association with WaxWorks/VideoWorks, Inc., has produced "Glory Bound: Kentucky Wesleyan College's Championship Basketball Tradition."

The basketball tradition of Kentucky Wesleyan College is unique. Not only have the Panthers won an unequalled eight NCAA Division II National Championships, but last season they became the nation's Division II leader in career wins. From a small campus setting to a national television audience, "Glory Bound" captures the drama and elation of those eight memorable championship moments. It also is a personality-rich chronicle reaching from the college's turn-of-the-century basketball home in a converted broom factory in Winchester, Kentucky, through its coming of age in Owensboro in 1951, to its most recent 2001 national championship.

"Glory Bound" includes dramatic narrative, original music, vintage footage and rare photos



of players and coaches. It also features the voice of the Panthers, Joel D. Utley. The dean of Kentucky basketball broadcasters, Utley's emotional and historic call of the championship games and other action further distinguishes this video that Panther fans everywhere will cherish.

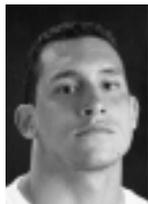
"Glory Bound" is on sell for \$25, which includes postage and handling. Please make checks payable to the: KWC All-American Club and mail to Roy Pickerill, Sports Information Director, Kentucky Wesleyan College, 3000 Frederica Street, Owensboro, Ky. 42301.



Tony Black



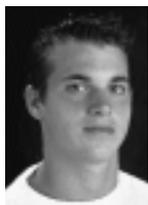
Jake Colson



Vince Brodt

Six named to preseason football All-America squad

Six Kentucky Wesleyan football players were chosen to *Football Gazette's* 2002 preseason NCAA Division II Mid-Major All-America teams. Seniors Tony Black (de) from College Park, Ga.; Jake Colson (og) from Columbus, Ga.; along with juniors Vince Brodt (lb) of Kennesaw, Ga.; and Nathan East (wr) from Paducah, were named first-team All-American. Senior Brian Price (og) from Franklin, Tenn., and junior Quentin Womack (db) from St. Louis, received honorable mention All-America recognition.



Nathan East



Brian Price



Quentin Womack

49 **Gene F. Conway** was presented a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Brown County Division of the American Heart Association for his outstanding contributions as a cardiologist and as a clinician, researcher and educator. A new annual award – the Gene F. Conway M. D. Award - has also been established in his name.

52 **Norman Christopher** and his wife Anne Deane celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 16. They live in Waverly, Ohio and have two daughters, Paula and Phyllis, and five grandchildren.

Norman is retired from the Martin Marietta Uranium Enrichment Plant.

53 ★ **50TH REUNION Commencement Weekend** - May 10, 2003; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-852-3139.

55 **Robert S. McGinnis Jr.** celebrated a golden anniversary in September, 50 years of continuous ministry as the pastor or assistant pastor of Christian churches. A native of Owensboro, he has served churches in Ky., Ill., Ga., La., and in Israel. He earned a M. Div. at

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, a S.T.M. at the University of the South, a M.A. at Tulane University, a M.Ed. at the University of New Orleans, and a D.Div. at Vanderbilt University. Serving 25 years as a United States Navy Reserve Chaplain, he retired with the rank of Captain. A tenured professor of philosophy and religion, he retired from Dillard University in 2001 after 29 years of continuous service. He and his wife Laura live in Metairie, La., and have eight children.

56 **Doris Sublett** is manager of the Daviess County Public Schools, Teacher Center,

a resource office for Daviess County public schools teachers and local college students who will become teachers. The center is located in Massie Hall on the KWC campus. Doris taught first grade at Whitesville Elementary School for 37 years before retiring from teaching.

62 **Wayne D. Ecton** was elected to a four-year term on the Scottsdale, Ariz. City Council in March. He has lived in Scottsdale since his retirement from Alcoa in 1996. His wife Martha was his campaign manager.

KWC professor answers call to duty

September 11, 2001 is a date we will always remember. This date is now akin to the assassinations of John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the day the space shuttle Challenger exploded. We will forever remember where we were and what we were doing.

For some it was what happened during the days that followed September 11th that would shape memories. Just ask Ken Ayers, a Commander in the United States Navy Reserves and professor of criminal justice at Kentucky Wesleyan, who was recalled to Washington, D.C. for active duty.

“On September 11, I was on my monthly reserve duty. A hush came over the office and the entire base as we watched in shock and horror the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon,” Ayers recalls. “I knew at that very moment that the reserves were likely to be called to duty.”

Shortly after the attack on our country, the military recalled many reservists for homeland defense duty. One team of reservists in particular were given the responsibility of identifying, monitoring, and reporting potential maritime threats to the United States. Despite a constantly evolving mission, this team, under the command of Ayers, developed a picture of potential maritime threats to the United States and maintained close contact with the U.S. Coast Guard, other navy commands, federal agencies and law enforcement organizations.

“The team was manned by reservists from throughout the United States,” said Ayers. “Some were college students, others were school teachers and some were in law enforcement. We came to Washington to make a difference.”

Reservists *do* make a difference. “Over the years I have heard military reservists referred to, perhaps in jest, perhaps in seriousness, as ‘weekend warriors’ and, twenty years ago, even active duty counterparts treated reservists as a nuisance. Now, with a slimmer active duty force, reservists are better trained and more intimately involved in the mission(s) of their active duty colleagues. I know that is the case with Dr. Ayers,” said KWC colleague David Oetinger, professor of biology and Commander, Medical Service Corps, U.S. Naval Reserve-Retired. “Given the sequence of events following 9-11, it is



Ayers in “command” in the criminal justice classroom.

reassuring that our Department of Defense has realized the tremendous manpower assets - knowledge, experience, and availability of reserve forces. So too, kudos to civilian employers who have supported reservists when they have to be absent from their employment for training or mobilization!”

The establishment of the 24-hour, 7 day-a-week watch disrupted the normal duties and everyday lives of team members. “As a reservist with a civilian job, being recalled to Washington, D.C. was a disruption to our daily lives. But, it was something we had to do and we did it,” said Ayers.

“Sometimes we think it is hard to do the right thing, when actually it is not. What can sometimes be hard however, is *figuring out* the right action to take. Once you understand that, then it becomes hard not to do the right thing. Going to DC was the right thing to do.”

Ayers is the chair of the department of behavioral sciences and began the criminal justice program at the college 25 years ago. He is a former coach of the Panther softball team.

63 ★ 40TH REUNION Alumni Weekend

April 25-27, 2003; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-852-3139.

65 Russell East retired as a Methodist minister in July. He and his wife Marlene have moved to Louisville.

Marshall Myers recently had his book *Real Toads* published by Sunflower Publications. It is a short collection of poetry that traces the poet's battle with clinical depression and has been endorsed by Gwyn Hyman Rubio, author of the Oprah Book Club Selection. Copies are available in the KWC bookstore.

67 ★ 35TH REUNION Alumni Weekend

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Bob (Brooklyn) Carubia lives in Colorado Springs, Colo.

73 Jim Nesin Omatseye

became the dean, faculty of education for the University of Benin in Benin City, Nigeria in October 2001. He has been at the university since 1979 and, according to Jim, "rose to the rank of full professor of educational philosophy thanks to professors Beavin, Rogers and Bond Harris who laid a good foundation for that in my life at KWC." He also sends greetings to the class of 1973.

75 James W. (Woody) Binion

is an educator in Sanderson, Fla. He has five children, Nick, Mike, Shelly, Jackie and Jane; and 13 grandchildren.



Cincinnati area alumni gathered this summer for the annual Cincinnati Picnic at the home of Bill '47 and Mildred Poe '46 Kincaid.

78 ★ 25TH REUNION Alumni Weekend

April 25-27, 2003; Contact Office of Alumni Relations, 270-852-3139

80 Kenneth Sample

is a captain in the United States Navy Reserves and was called back to duty following the September 11 terrorist attacks. He replaced a surgeon stationed at Camp Lejeune Naval Hospital in North Carolina who had been sent to Afghanistan. After serving four months, he is now a surgeon in Charlestown and Scottsburg, Ind. He and his wife **Debbie Ray Sample '80** have three children, April, Mary and Alexandria.

83 Diane Sutherland Luczaj

and her husband **Jerome Eric Luczaj '85** live in Cincinnati, Ohio and have two sons, Alexander and Matthew. Diane is controller at River Cities Capital Funds and Eric is assistant professor at College of Mount St. Joseph.

LaDonna Troxell-Day is president of the Florida Alliance for Health, Physical Education Recreation Dance. She is a physical education teacher at

McMillian Center. She and her husband Warren live in Milton, Fla.

85 Leonard Rex

is pastor of the Bailey Charge United Methodist Churches in Sims, N. C. He and his wife Donna have two children, Josiah and Daniel.

86 Beth Beeler Howard

was recently promoted to marketing director, Membership of Greater Louisville Inc. – The Metro Chamber of Commerce. She also serves on the board of directors of Just Creations, a non-profit store supporting artisans in underdeveloped countries. She and her husband David live in Jeffersonville, Ind.

87 ★ 15TH REUNION Alumni Weekend

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Kristy Kerchevall Elliott is an elementary teacher in Daviess County and has a daughter, Lauren.

Stephanie Vargason O'Neal has been named vice president of BB&T. She has been with the

bank since 1983. Stephanie is also a member of the KWC alumni board of directors and a volunteer with United Way and Foundation for Health.

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Mari White Smallshaw and her husband Steve are expecting their third child in November. Mari stays busy with sons Wes and Rick, while hosting the morning radio talk show on WLNI in Lynchburg, Va.

90 Bart Bruner

is in his third year as head football coach of Southern High School in Louisville.

Agnes Wedding Church and her husband Scott have a new daughter, Molly Catherine, born July 24. Agnes is an accountant with OASIS, Inc. in Owensboro.

J. Todd Hall, a registered representative with Edward Jones in Louisville, has earned PLANCO's highest honor – membership in the 2002 Captain's Club.

Daphne Smith starred in the lead role of "Lois" in *Soup, Soap and Salvation*, a musical depiction of the founding and history of service of the Rescue Mission in Roanoke, Va. Daphne lives in New York City. After completing graduate work at the University of North Carolina – Greensboro, she toured the country in productions of *Carousel* and *Brigadoon*. She has starred in the roles of Anna (*The King and I*), Eliza (*My Fair Lady*), Betty Blake (*Will Rogers Follies*), Julie (*Carousel*), and Fiona (*Brigadoon*).

Adam Wojtelwicz and his wife Gina have a new daughter, Alexis Marie, born March 27. She joins big brother Nicholas. They live in Folsom, Pa.

Amy Gruen Scott and her husband **David Scott '92** traveled to China to



Former KWC President Luther White with his wife, Daphne Smith '90, Mari White Smallshaw '89 and Dr. John Priddy.

adopt their 18-month old daughter, Lily, on Christmas Eve 2001. Amy is senior director of the Impact Program at River Valley Behavioral Health and David is in sales with Motion Industries. They live in Owensboro.

92 Kevin Gibson was recently promoted to senior vice president and chief operating officer of South Central Bank in Owensboro. He has more than 10 years of banking experience.

Carolyn Haynes Halem has joined L. Robey Crowe D.M.D. in the practice of dentistry in Owensboro. She was previously a faculty member of the University of Kentucky School of Dentistry and is a graduate of the University of Louisville School of Dentistry. Her husband is **Troy Halem '93** who is with Physician's Eye Center.

Mitchell Major was recently promoted to director of merchandise analysis for Family Dollar Stores, Inc. He is also working towards a master's degree in project management at Western Carolina University. Mitch and his wife, **Laurie Weida Major '95** live with their son, Springer, in Charlotte, N. C. Laurie is a homemaker and American Red Cross volunteer.

93 Billy Ray Bradshaw II married Amy Lynn Yost on September 21. He is employed as a police officer with the Owensboro Police Department.

Greg Risch is accounting controller with Accuride Corporation. He and his wife **Jill Holland Risch '95** have two children, Lindsey and Jake, and live in Henderson, Ky.

94 Julie Hawkins Lake was elected president of Action Life League of Western Ky. She is a stay-at-home mom with children, Katie Dawn, Zachary David, Anna Elizabeth, and Logan Allen. She and her husband Allen live in Owensboro.

95 Susan Zumwalt Davison received her licensure as a marriage and fami-

ly therapist and was promoted to executive director of New Beginnings Sexual Assault Support Services in June. She and her husband Eric live in Owensboro.

Tracy Thomson Mayer and her husband **Rob Mayer '94** have two children, Corey and baby Sydney. Rob is a project manager for Quest and Tracy is a stay-at-home-mom. They live in Powell, Ohio.

96 Kendall E. Burgess received a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship for the 2002-2003 academic year in Vienna, Austria, where her husband John Moraitis received a Fulbright Fellowship.

Karen Breeding Keller is a kindergarten teacher at Tamarack Elementary School in Daviess County and her husband **Doug Keller '79** is a CPA and partner with EKW and Associates LLP.

John Pitchford works for Kroger in Louisville. He and his wife Amy have one daughter, Kaitlyn Elizabeth, and they live in LaGrange, Ky.

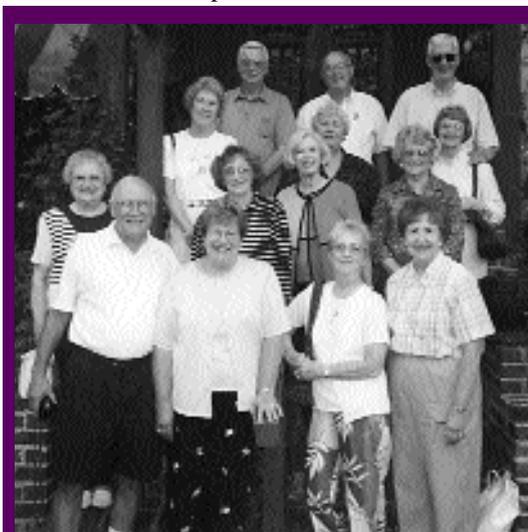
97 Stacey Baxter Bischoff just completed her master's in elementary education at Indiana University Southeast and was hired as a school support resource teacher for Jefferson Co. Public Schools. Her husband, **Chad Bischoff '97** has worked for three years at Mercer Human Resource Consulting as a compensation analyst. They live in Louisville.

Brandy Wilson married Ryun Edward Aubrey on June 15. She is employed at Breckinridge County High School as an English teacher and cheerleading coach.

98 Allen Chelgren married Elizabeth Claire Bollman on September 28. He is employed at Beechmont Ford.

Elizabeth Downey is an assistant Commonwealth attorney with the 38th Judicial Circuit and lives in Greenville, Ky.

Andrea Garst married **Richard Phillip Busch II** on June 29. She is a certified behavioral therapist with Building Blocks Inc. He is the owner of Creative Cultivations Landscaping Services and they live in Naples, Fla.



A group of "Nifty 50" alums met for a get-together meal at Land Between the Lakes this summer.

Michelle Grossman Blackwell sang the National Anthem on September 15 at the Cincinnati Reds baseball game.

Cheryl Kennedy Jones and her husband Mike have a new baby, Caleb Grant, born on July 18. Cheryl is an elementary school teacher at St. Mary's Grade School in Whitesville, Ky. They also have a daughter, Jacqueline.

Kerri Nunley graduated from Salmon P. Chase College of Law in May. While attending law school she acted as research editor for the Northern Kentucky Law Review and was treasurer of the Student Bar Association. She is an attorney with the law firm of Lerner, Sampson and Rothfuss in downtown Cincinnati and lives in Newport, Ky.

99 Deanna Black married Lane Sandefur on August 31. She administers housing grant programs for the City of Owensboro.

Jennifer Blair Estes and her husband Scotty Joe have a new baby, Rebecca, born on June 30, who joins big brothers Jonathon and Michael. They live in Hawesville, Ky. Jennifer is an accountant with RJ Pohl & Associates (CPA's).

Matthew Pack is the director of summer programs and continuing education at Saint Joseph's College and lives in Rensselaer, Ind.

Jeremy Tincher has been promoted to a franchise owner/financial adviser with Watson, Chaney and Associates, the Owensboro branch of American Express Financial Advisors. He is also treasurer of the KWC Owensboro area alumni chapter.

John Lovell married Charity Stovall on June 22 and lives in Greenville, Ky. He is teaching physical education at Muhlenberg North High School and also coaching boy's basketball and cross-country.

00 Aaron Emmick is a Hancock County, Ky. deputy sheriff. He previously worked as a patrolman for the

Owensboro Police Department and while there was awarded a Captain's Citation for rescuing a 79-year-old man from an automobile badly leaking gasoline and potentially ready to explode.

Justin Merz and **Kerry McHugh '01** were married on June 1 and live in Hamilton, Ohio.

Jennifer Muse married Ray Ferguson on June 15. She is a teacher at Estes Elementary School in Owensboro.

Courtney Lubbe Tabor and her husband **Brandon Tabor** have moved to Villa Hills, Ky.

Angie Johnson White married Scott White on May 11. They live in Bardstown, Ky. where Angie is youth prevention specialist with Communicare.

01 Kyle Estes has been named the head boys basketball coach at Ohio County High School in Ky. after serving as assistant coach for one year.

Davea Adams Horton is at Indiana University in optometry school.

Selina Shultz married Tommy Wilson on June 29. She is a music teacher with the Cloverport School System and she and her husband live in Harned, Ky.

02 Sarah Beth Roach is a learning and behavioral disabilities teacher at Breckinridge County High School.

James Kenneth Roberts married Terra Lanae Wright on July 27.

Faculty and Trustees

Gus Paris and his wife **Elizabeth Paris** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 25. Gus retired as director of financial aid and registrar at Kentucky Wesleyan and Elizabeth is a former music professor at KWC who currently serves as president of the American Federation of Music and continues to do music instruction in the home. They have four children, John, Carol, Jane and Mary; and 11 grandchildren.

Newton S. Thomas, KWC Trustee Emeriti, was honored in October by the board of directors and staff of Wesley Village in Wilmore, Ky. as part of their annual Heroes, Saints & Legends celebration. Newton is a highly respected principal, teacher, and KHSAA Hall of Fame basketball coach who has been an exemplary role model for thousands of young people, setting a high standard for excellence and values. He has also served on the United Methodist Children's Home board of trustees and the Friends of the Children executive board.

In Memoriam

26 Samuel E. Maxwell on June 28 in Hyde Park, Ohio. After working 40 years at First National Bank of Cincinnati, he retired as chief operating officer and vice president. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Cincinnati and a master's degree from Rutgers University. During World War II he served in the Army Air Corps. He was past president of the Cincinnati Chapter of Bank Administration Association and a member of Hyde Park Community United Methodist Church. Survivors include two daughters, Margaret Maxwell-Shah and Ellen Maxwell.

47 Irene Evans Blankenship on June 8 in Ashland, Ky. She was a member of First Church of Christ and a retired teacher with the Boyd County School System. Survivors include her husband of 55 years, J. D. Blankenship; a son, Johnny of Hoffman Estates, Ill; and a sister, Hazel Shufflebarger of Grayson, Ky.

56 Ruth Hope Hightower on May 22 in Lexington. She was formerly employed by the pastoral services department at St. Joseph Hospital. She later worked in the St. Joseph cardio vascular department until she retired in 1999. Survivors include a brother, **Ted Hightower, Jr. '59** of Stephensport, Ky.; and four sons, Larry Burke of Lexington, Ted Burke of Henderson, Ky., Mike

Burke of Lawrenceville, Ga., and Tom Burke of Owensboro.

61 Evelyn Prow Evans on July 18 in Owensboro. The Princeton native retired as a teacher and had taught at Daviess County High School, Owensboro High School and adult education in Fla. She received a master's degree from Western Kentucky University. Survivors include a daughter, Rebecca McRaith of Lexington; two brothers, Ben Prow and Bill Prow of Dawson Springs, Ky.; and a sister, Sara Prow Riley of Hartford, Ky.

Artie Virginia Brown Porter on July 11 in Hartford, Ky. She retired from teaching at Wayland Alexander Elementary School. She was a member of Hartford United Methodist Church and the Hartford Woman's Club and was former chairman of the Ohio County library board. Survivors include a son, Jack Porter of Nashville and a daughter, Janet Hankla of Owensboro.

Winfred Lee Thompson on September 5 in Greenville, Ky. He was a member of the Greenville First United Methodist Church and played basketball for Kentucky Wesleyan from 1958-1962. Survivors include his wife of 44 years, **Wanda Meredith Thompson '62**; four sons, Rodney Wayne and John Charles, both of Central City, Douglas Earl of Frankfort and James Richard of Ashland, Ore.; a foster son, Randy Hutchens of West Virginia; his mother, Malvina Thompson of Central City; and three brothers, Charles William and Richard both of Greenville, and John Mark of St. Marys, Ga.

Helen Young Crafton Williams on June 4 in Leitchfield, Ky. The Henderson County native retired as a teacher and was a member of Leitchfield United Methodist Church. She taught in Cloverport, Breckinridge County, Corydon, Dawson Springs and at St. Bridgette's School in Vine Grove, Ky. Survivors include her husband, the **Rev. W. Alfred Williams '53**; a son, Harold Williams of Louisville; two daughters, Annesse Williams of Greenville, Ky. and Beth Speedy of

Louisville; and a sister, Martha Crafton Tow of Sebree, Ky.

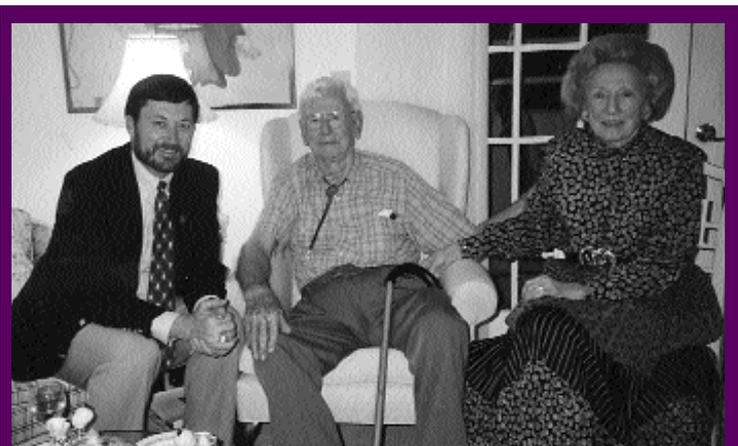
Abbie Miller Mitchell on July 11 in Owensboro. She retired as a music teacher from Kentucky Wesleyan where she taught for 10 years. Previously, she taught for 27 years at Gardner-Webb College in N. C. and also served as chairperson of the music department. In 1987 she was named Professor Emerita of Music at Gardner-Webb. Before earning a BA from KWC, she earned a bachelor's and a master's of music degree from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. She served as organist at several Owensboro churches including St. Andrews Presbyterian Church. Abbie was a member of First Baptist Church in Owensboro. Survivors include several cousins.

62 Mamie Lee Perkins on July 30 in Nashville. An Owensboro native, she retired from Lee and Mary Lee Cravens schools as a teacher and was a charter member, organist and choir director at Woodlawn United Methodist Church. She graduated from Athens College. Survivors include a son, **Jim Perkins '65** of Memphis and a daughter, **Janice Perkins Krauss '59** of Shelter Island, N. Y.

81 Robert A. "Tony" Futrell on July 10 in Jeffersontown, Ky. He was a member of Jeffersontown United Methodist Church, Middletown Masonic Lodge and the Kosair Shrine. Survivors include his mother, Nell Wood Futrell; a brother, Andrew E. Futrell; and a sister, Brenda F. Nash.

Faculty

Philip Jack Lorenz Jr. on August 24 in Sewanee, Tenn. He was a physics professor at Kentucky Wesleyan. He was professor emeriti of physics and astronomy at the University of the South in Sewanee. Survivors include his wife, Anne Partee Lorenz; a daughter, Brennan Lorenz; and a son, Philip J. Lorenz III.



Dr. Poling with Jack '36 and Ruth Turbeville.

Kentucky honors a hero

by Jeff Kerr, senior staff writer
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When Elton Hatler learned - "basically out of the blue," he said - that the state of Kentucky was going to present him with a special licenseplate recognizing his winning the Distinguished Naval Cross during World War II, and that it would be presented at a public ceremony, he balked on only one condition. Instead of the ceremony being held at the Clark County Courthouse - "where I don't really know anybody" - he wanted it held at Southwind

people like Elton went through. They have no idea what they did so we can have the things we have today. And he's told me there's not a day goes by, he doesn't think about it."

Hatler, a 1950 alumnus of KWC, volunteered for the Marines after graduating from Hartford High School in May of 1944. On November 1, 1944, he shipped out to the South Pacific with the First Marine Division. On April 1, 1945, his division landed on Okinawa, a strip of

land jutting up from the Pacific Ocean, 83 miles long and from three to four miles wide. Hatler's unit was part of a strategy designed to cut the island in two. It landed on the northern end of the island while all the fighting was going on in the southern end.

It didn't take long for them to roll into action.

Two platoons, including Hatler's, were advancing toward a ridge where they could see the enemy. They ran into trouble - an ambush. After being pursued into a goat hut and abandoned by his squad, he purposefully maneuvered himself and a wounded marine that was with

him, into a ditch where as the BAR (Browning Automatic Rifle) man for his squad, he opened up fire on the enemy in the ditch ahead of him. After the Japanese retreated, Hatler checked on the wounded marine and saw he was dead so he

returned to headquarters.

That was May 2, 1945. By May 23, Hatler was out of the Marines and ready to start civilian life. He originally had been awarded the Silver Star for his hero-

ics and thought little about it as he began his studies at Kentucky Wesleyan College in Winchester. After all, a lot of students at that time had medals for what they did in the war. But in 1948, something strange happened. "They asked me to give back the Silver Star and pick up the citation for the Navy Cross," he laughed. "I was glad to trade it. Major William Stevenson, who was head of the recruiting station in Louisville, came and picked up my Silver Star and gave me the Navy Cross on the steps of Wesleyan. And my citation was signed by the Secretary of the Navy himself, John L. Sullivan. That was unusual."

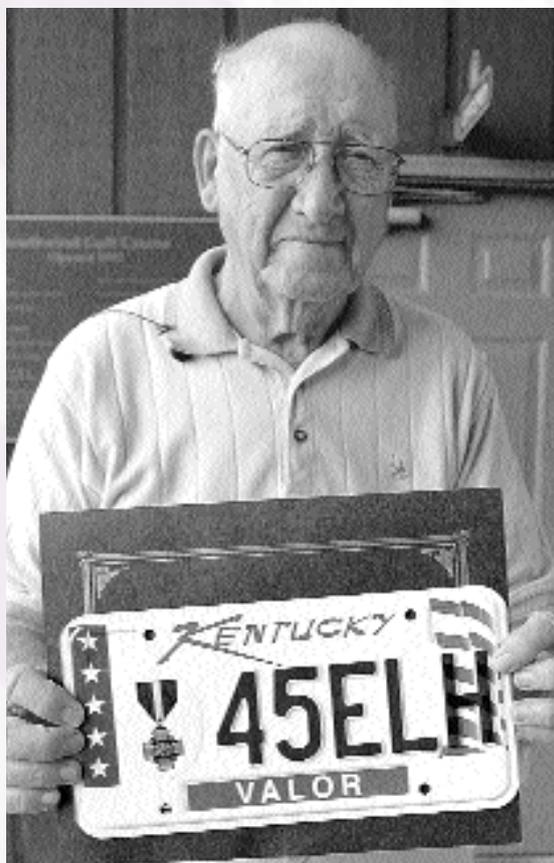
Hatler says he thinks the Navy Cross was given to him, not only for what he did, but also for what others did to him. He was left in the field of battle with a wounded marine by other marines and not only survived, but never questioned the others' actions.

"I've always believed that had something to do with it," he said. "But I can't prove it."

At Kentucky Wesleyan Hatler, as he put it, "met a girl." He and his wife Betty have four children, two boys and two girls, Robbie, Martin, Laura and Lee Faulkner. He retired from Avon



Hatler (right) receives the Navy Cross citation on the steps of the Administration Building in Winchester in 1948.



Elton Hatler receives special license plate honoring his winning of the Navy Cross in WWII

Golf Course, where he spends his retirement mowing the tees and playing golf. "That's where all my friends are," he said.

At the conclusion of the presentation, Gary Potts, a friend of Hatler's said, "You know, kids these days have no idea what

after 28 years and now spends his time playing golf and doing a little work around Southwind.

Those days on Okinawa are years behind him, but they're never far away. "It's been 57 years," he said, "but there's never a day goes by that I don't think about."

And he still doesn't think he did anything special. "You get put in that situation, there's plenty of men who would have done the same thing I did," he said. But his experiences have left him with a deep appreciation of not only his country, but his fellow Marines.

"I'm still a Marine," he said. "I'm still Private Hatler of the Marines. Once a Marine, always a Marine."

"And I want to say one thing I really believe in," he added. "I think every male citizen of this country should spend two years in the service, every one of them," he said. "If they did, this would be a fantastic country. We wouldn't have one-third of the crime we have now."

And he admits he's not really comfortable with all the recent attention he's received. "Don't make me out a hero," he said. "I wasn't a hero. The real heroes were the dead ones. And there were way too many of them."

Activities and Events

January

- Digital images art show by David Oetinger, Gallery**
- 2 W/M Basketball at Wisconsin Parkside, 5:30 & 7:45 pm
- 4 W/M Basketball at Lewis, 1 & 3 pm
- 6 **Registration and classes begin**
- 9 W/M Basketball vs. Quincy, 5:15 & 7:30 pm
- 11 W/M Basketball vs. Missouri St. Louis, 1:15 & 3:30 pm
- 18 W/M Basketball vs. Bellarmine, 5:15 & 7:30 pm
- 20 **Martin Luther King Day – no class**
- 23 W/M Basketball at Indianapolis, 4:30 & 6:30 pm
- 25 W/M Basketball at St. Joseph's, 1 & 3:15 pm
- 30 W/M Basketball vs. Lewis, 5:15 & 7:30 pm

February

- 1 **Admissions Open House, Winchester Campus Community Center**
W/M Basketball vs. SIU Edwardsville, 1:15 & 3:30 pm
- 6 W/M Basketball at Missouri St. Louis, 5:30 & 7:45 pm
- 8 W/M Basketball at Southern Indiana, 5:15 & 7:30 pm
- 13-15 **Wesleyan Players present *Raising the Dead*, Playhouse, 8 pm**
- 13 W/M Basketball at Bellarmine, 4:45 & 7 pm
- 15 W/M Basketball at Northern Ky., 12 & 2:15 pm

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Wesleyan Players present *Raising the Dead*, Playhouse, 2:30 pm

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W/M Basketball vs. St. Joseph's, 5:15 & 7:30 pm

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Wesleyan Players present *Raising the Dead*, Playhouse, 8 pm

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W/M Basketball vs. Wisconsin Parkside, 1:15 & 3:30 pm

Admissions Scholarship Competition

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Wesleyan Players present *Raising the Dead*, Playhouse, 8 pm

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W/M Basketball at SIU Edwardsville, 5:30 & 7:30 pm

March

- 1 W/M Basketball at Quincy, 1 & 3:30 pm
- 5-8 W Basketball at GLVC Tournament, Evansville, TBA
- 6 **Music Department Recital, Hager Performance Hall, 7:30 pm**
- 6-8 M Basketball at GLVC Tournament, Evansville, TBA
- 10-14 **Spring break**
- 14-15 & 17 W/M Basketball at NCAA Regional, TBA
- 15 **Admissions Scholarship Competition**
- 26-27 & 29 W Basketball at NCAA Championship, St. Joseph's, TBA
M Basketball at NCAA Championship, Lakeland, Fla., TBA

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