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Dear Alumni and Friends,

The start of the New Year and new decade is a time of new beginnings and transition at Wheeling Jesuit. We began 2010 searching for an Interim president to lead our University for the next year and I am happy to announce that Sister Francis Marie Thralkill, O.S.U., Ed.D. has been chosen.

Sister Francis Marie comes to us after a long, successful presidency at the College of Mount St. Joseph in Cincinnati. As president from 1987 – 2008, she led the co-educational, 2,300-student campus, which offered a four-year, liberal arts curriculum with both undergraduate and graduate programs. Previous to that, from 1978 – 1987, Sister Francis Marie was president of Springfield College, Illinois, a liberal arts, pre-professional, co-educational college of 500 students. Most recently she served as an interim president at Chatfield College, in rural Brown County, Ohio from 2008 – 09.

Sister Francis Marie will provide us with experienced leadership as we continue our search for a permanent leader. I would like to thank Davitt McAteer for serving as interim president since August and wish him much success as he resumes his duties as vice president for Sponsored Programs.

As we transition to new leadership, there is much to celebrate at our alma mater. Enrollment Management is reporting record-breaking numbers. To date 137 students have deposited, the highest number of deposits by February in 10 years. The campus hosted a successful Scholarship Day where more than 60 students competed for our most prestigious financial awards.

Alumni continue to be active in events and chapters throughout the country. Over the past three years, the number of alumni events and participants has increased steadily. There are many alumni helping in our recruitment efforts and I thank those dedicated volunteers for their help throughout the year.

The University fund raising efforts are outpacing last year's numbers. Overall gifts to the University have increased by 32 percent during the first half of the year and we have seen an increase in the average gift size. Ninety eight percent of our students receive some form of financial assistance and alumni contributions are an integral part of that effort.

The last six months have been challenging for all of us. Poor communication about Fr. Julio's departure led to rampant rumors and speculation, and for that I am sorry. Fr. Julio's exit was not the result of any scandal, but simply a matter of two sides no longer able to work together to move Wheeling Jesuit forward. I thank you for your thoughtful comments and concerns; it shows how deeply you care about our University. Fr. Julio is now working at the Loyola University of Chicago, and we wish him well in his new endeavors.

This is indeed a critical time for Wheeling Jesuit – a time to pull together, not be divided. It is time to do more than just be alumni and say we care. It is time for alumni to participate and to help. Please join me, and so many others, by being a part of the future of Wheeling Jesuit – this is our time to make a difference.

Luceat Lux Vestra!

Mimie (O'Hara) Helm '84
Chair, Wheeling Jesuit Board of Directors



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When classes began for the start of the 2009-2010 academic year, more than 300 first year students joined returning students to comprise a population of learners that numbers 1,344 students enrolled.

The breakdown includes 313 new students, 552 returning students, 292 graduate students and 187 online/evening undergrads.

"The University welcomed 80 more first year students this year, a 44 percent increase over a year ago," said Becky Fomey, dean of enrollment.

The class of 2013 includes students from 17 different states and five foreign countries, with the biggest number coming from Ohio (95), followed by West Virginia (93), Pennsylvania (34) and Maryland (18).

The average GPA for non-international students is 3.5.



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IT'S A TRADITION – U.S. NEWS RANKS UNIVERSITY AMONG BEST IN THE REGION

The 2010 edition of *U.S. News & World Report's* "America's Best Colleges" ranks Wheeling Jesuit University number 18 in the "Best Universities—Master's Category" in the South, making it the highest ranked college or university in West Virginia in this category for 13 consecutive years.

"This ranking reflects our continued commitment to excellence, a commitment that is a hallmark of Jesuit education the world over," said J. Davitt McAteer, former interim president. "We're pleased that *U.S. News* recognizes the University and we share this honor with our students."

"The rankings confirm our regional reputation of excellence in and outside of the classroom," Academic Vice President Letha Zook said. "The combination of the *Forbes* ranking of 180 out of 600 colleges and this ranking are a tribute to the exceptional quality of instruction by our faculty, the care provided by our staff and administration and the amazing talent of our students."

The rankings examine 572 universities in the "Best Universities—Master's Category" within four geographic areas—North, South, Midwest and West, the same number of schools as last year. The institutions in this category provide a full range of undergraduate and master's programs, according to *U.S. News*.



UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES NEW HIRES AND PROMOTIONS FOR FALL 2009



KING MINER



AMY CRONIN



KATHLEEN HINE



MAQSOOD HARRINGTON

Wheeling Jesuit University has announced its hires and promotions for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Changes in Enrollment Management resulted in Beeky Forney being promoted to dean of enrollment at WJU. Forney has responsibility for undergraduate, professional and graduate enrollment including marketing, admissions and financial aid. Forney holds a bachelor's degree in communications from West Liberty University and a master's in Journalism from WVU. She has been with the University since 1991 and most recently as the associate dean for Professional and Graduate Studies.

Beth Loy has been promoted to director of admission/undergraduate. Loy has been employed at WJU since 2005 and earned a degree in chemistry from Wheeling Jesuit in 2002.

Melissa Rafalozak has been promoted to director of admission/professional and graduate studies. Rafalozak has been with the University since 2006 and earned a bachelor of arts in organizational leadership and development.

Also newly hired as admissions counselor in the department of Enrollment Management is King Miner '07.

Other new hires or promotions include:

Margaret Erickson was hired as pastoral associate in the office of Campus Ministry. Erickson is a graduate of Wheeling Jesuit with biology degree and earned master degrees in biology and library science at Case Western Reserve.

Kerry Przybysz was named an administrative assistant in the English Language Institute (ELI). This complements Przybysz's part-time duties as an instructor in the ELI. She is a graduate of Stetson University in DeLand, Fla., with a degree in mathematics. She began working at Wheeling Jesuit in August of 2002.

Senior biology major Wilhelm Castellon was hired as a scientific researcher in the Office of Global Outreach. Also hired as a research technician in the biology department is Tara Richards '09 who earned a degree in biology. Amy Cronin was hired as nurse coordinator of the Student Wellness Center. She is a graduate of West Virginia Northern Community College.

In the department of business and finance, Theresa Parsons was hired as manager of sponsored programs finance. Parsons is a graduate of Wheeling Jesuit with a bachelor's in accounting and a master's in business administration.

Christopher Ruokman was selected as computer programmer for the CET. He is a 2008 graduate of Wheeling Jesuit with a degree in computer science.

Ronnie Cooper was promoted to the position of grounds supervisor. He has been with the University since 1988.

Joining the University faculty for 2009-10 are the following instructors:

Jane Neuwenschwander is teaching in the professional education department. She had been employed by the Center for Educational Technologies® since 1996.

Angela Thompson was named an assistant professor of nursing. A graduate of WVU with a master's degree in nursing, Thompson is a board certified family nurse practitioner and women's health nurse practitioner.

Elizabeth Prather is a mathematics instructor. She returns to the University after completing courses at Carnegie Mellon. She has a master's in mathematics and instructional design, both from the University of Kentucky.

Marimar Weeks is a nursing clinical instructor. She was formerly employed at Ohio Valley Medical Center for 12 years and worked as an adjunct instructor at Wheeling Jesuit for three years during that time. She earned bachelor degrees in psychology and nursing at Wheeling Jesuit and is currently completing her master's degree at WJU.

The Wheeling Jesuit athletic department announced that Kathleen Hine '07 was hired as head women's basketball coach, replacing Joe Key. She was the assistant coach for Key.

Other new employees include 10 graduate assistants: Tyler Abalom, women's soccer; John Eberhart, baseball; Urko Fernandez, Office of Global Outreach/International Office; Maqsood Harrington, athletics; Erin Kinler, basketball; Anthony Mazza, Mother Jones House mentor; Jasek Przednowek, men's soccer; Nicole Stanley, swimming; Tony Trabert, business and finance; and Armando Vazquez, Office of Global Outreach/International Office.

STELTENKAMP PENS BIOGRAPHY OF BLACK ELK

NICHOLAS BLACK ELK:

Medicine Man, Missionary, Mystic shows that the holy-man was not the despised traditionalist commonly depicted in literature, but a religious thinker whose outlook was positive and whose spirituality was not limited solely to traditional Lakota precepts.



Since its publication in 1932, *Black Elk Speaks* has moved countless readers to appreciate the American Indian world that it described. The popular narrative addressed the youth and early adulthood of Black Elk, an Oglala Sioux religious elder.

Rev. Michael Steltenkamp, S.J., professor of religious studies, provides the first full interpretive biography of Black Elk, distilling in one volume what is

known of this American Indian wisdom keeper whose life has helped guide others.

Combining in-depth biography with its cultural context, the author depicts a more complex Black Elk than has previously been known: a world traveler who participated in the Battle of the Little Bighorn yet lived through the beginning of the atomic age.

Steltenkamp draws on published and unpublished material to examine closely the last 50 years of Black Elk's life—the period often overlooked by those who write and think of him only as a 19th century figure.

In the process, Steltenkamp details not just Black Elk's life but also the creation of his life story by earlier writers and its influence on the Indian revitalization movement of the late 20th century.

The first book to follow Black Elk's life-long spiritual journey—from medicine man to missionary and mystic—Steltenkamp's work provides a much-needed corrective to previous interpretations of this special man's life story.



WJU NURSING GRADS PASS EXAM UNANIMOUSLY



"This places the WJU nursing program in the top 10 percent of BSN nursing programs across the country in regard to this indicator," Kutenkos said. "We are very proud of our students."



All 19 graduates of the 2009 nursing program passed the RN licensing exam (NCLEX) on the first attempt — a feat that now places the program as one of the top in the country.

According to Professor Rose Kutenkos, only eight percent of all bachelor of science in nursing (BSN) programs in 2009 earned a 100 percent pass rate on the NCLEX.

The NCLEX exam is a computer adaptive test that not only follows a test plan but also determines the student's next question by whether the last question was answered right or wrong. If a student answers questions correctly, then the subsequent questions become more difficult.

Twelve of the 19 or 63 percent of WJU graduates passed the exam after taking the minimum number of 75 questions.

Of the 19 graduates, seven are licensed registered nurses in West Virginia, eight in Pennsylvania and four in Ohio.



"Wheeling Jesuit University was honored to welcome Chief Judge Bailey to our Constitution Day celebration. For students and citizens alike, it was a great opportunity to connect with perhaps the most important document in American history," McAdeer said.

UNIVERSITY MARKS CONSTITUTION DAY 2009 WITH PUBLIC PROGRAM

Wheeling Jesuit University marked Constitution Day 2009 with its fifth annual program celebrating the United States Constitution.

Open to the public, the program featured a talk by U.S. District Judge John Preston Bailey and a living history presentation by Irene Evans.

Wheeling Jesuit's former interim President Davitt McAdeer welcomed all to the event. Members of the WJU community, community members and local high school students and Wheeling Jesuit students attended the presentation.

Bailey discussed the role of the judiciary in the Constitution.

Evans gave a presentation of living history. The internationally known actress, singer and storyteller also was the recipient of Wheeling Jesuit's Foundations of Freedom Award. The award is given annually to a leader who has advanced the public's

knowledge of the U.S. Constitution.

During her presentation Evans assumed the role of runaway slave and American hero Harriet Tubman. She narrated an online illustration entitled, The Constitutional Virtual Field Trip.

Wheeling Jesuit and its Erma Ora Byrd Center for Educational Technologies, named in honor of Sen. Robert Byrd's late wife, have been instrumental in integrating technology in classrooms throughout the United States and many of these promote good citizenship and the Constitution.

Congressional legislation proposed by Byrd was enacted into law in 2004 designating Sept. 17 each year as Constitution & Citizenship Day. This date was selected for observation because the Constitution was signed on Sept. 17, 1787. Constitution & Citizenship Day also focuses on the rights and responsibilities of U.S. citizens, both native-born and naturalized.

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PARADE & HONORS CONVOCATION HIGHLIGHT FAMILY WEEKEND



Wheeling Jesuit University welcomed its extended family to campus to celebrate its annual Family & Friends Weekend in October.

A highlight of this year's weekend was the festive homecoming parade that traveled along Washington Avenue. Parade dignitaries included U.S. Congressman Timothy Murphy '74 (R-PA), and former Pittsburgh Steeler lineback-

er Robin Cole, the father of Wheeling Jesuit senior Lacie Cole.

Many enjoyed the parade, which began at the McDonough Center and traveled out the back entrance of campus onto Washington Avenue then back to campus at the main entrance. Also marching in the Homecoming Parade were the Washington Wildthings, the Timbly High School marching band, Wheeling Jesuit athletic teams,

student clubs, and student government. The parade was followed by a faculty-versus-student kickball match.

Also on Saturday, Oct. 24, the Fall Honors Convocation took place at 11:30 a.m. in Troy Theater and recognized students who earned Dean's List honors. The convocation was followed by a brunch for students and guests.



PT INSTRUCTOR EARNS NATIONAL CERTIFICATION

"This is a great honor and we are very proud of Alison," said Academic Vice President Dr. Letha Zook, who is herself a physical therapist and a former director of the physical therapy program at WJU. "Our department and our students will benefit from Alison's achievement."

Dr. Alison Kreger, clinical assistant professor of physical therapy, has earned board certification in the specialized field of clinical pediatric physical therapy.

This makes her one of only four in the state of West Virginia and one of fewer than 900 in the entire country to be certified in the specialty. Her co-worker Clinical Associate Professor Dr. Mark Ormish also is

certified in this specialty, meaning that two of the four pediatric physical therapists in the state are teaching at Wheeling Jesuit.

The certification process included a rigorous competency exam and application procedure, resulting in the official certification, which is good for 10 years. Kreger will be honored by the national association in San Diego, Cal. in February during the

American Physical Therapy Association Combined Sections Conference.

A native of Brussels, Belgium, Kreger moved to Wheeling in 1994 to attend Wheeling Jesuit as an undergraduate and earned her undergraduate degree in psychology in 1998. She went on to earn her master and doctorate in physical therapy at WJU.

JACOBER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED

Dr. Gregory S. Merrick, internationally recognized prostate cancer specialist and executive director of Wheeling Hospital's Urologic Research Institute (URI), and Wheeling Jesuit University announced that Je (Jay) Young Park is the 2009 recipient of the Jacober Scholarship.

Park is a senior chemistry major and a graduate of Bishop Donahue High School. As a result of the scholarship, he will have the opportunity to continue his education by working at Wheeling Hospital's Schiffer Cancer Center under Merrick's guidance.

WJU's Jeffrey M. Jacober Scholarship Fund was established in 2007 for students studying in the field of physics. Created by the family of the Rhode Island businessman, Jacober, it provides annual support to a deserving physics student at the University while offering practical experience at the Schiffer Cancer Center.

Jacobser was diagnosed with prostate cancer and embarked on an exhaustive search to find treatment before becoming a patient of Merrick at the Schiffer Center. Tragically, after successfully undergoing treatment at Schiffer, Jacobser lost his life in an accident.

Throughout his life, Jacobser had sought to educate the public about health care. This scholarship was established to recognize his intent and belief that research is a key factor in health, and that education is paramount.

"This ongoing collaboration between the Urologic Research Institute and Wheeling Jesuit demonstrates the active learning that happens when academics is complemented by invaluable experience at a first-class facility such as the Schiffer Cancer Center. The vision of Dr. Merrick and his team is renowned in the medical world and we are thrilled to be a part of it," said McAleer.

WJU students and professors of physics play a key role at the URI. In a unique relationship, students are given an opportunity to work with medical professionals, performing innovative research and participating in practical treatment of cancer patients. The Schiffer Cancer Center, the URI and WJU focus on innovative research methods directed toward the effective prevention, diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer and other urologic disorders.



Dr. Merrick, **JAY PARK**, and Dr. Ehrli

"This is a unique opportunity for our physics majors to be a part of cutting-edge research at Wheeling Hospital and learn from one of the country's leading urologic radiation oncologists," said Dr. Peter Ehrli '81, chair of WJU's physics department.

Merrick added, "My team and I have been conducting groundbreaking research for years. Through the Urologic Research Institute, we have created an entity that will better allow us to promote, raise funds for and achieve our goals. We are grateful to Wheeling Jesuit University and the Schiffer Cancer Center for helping to make this institute a reality. We congratulate Jay on his selection as 2009 Jacober scholar."





BIOLOGY INTERNS FIND OPPORTUNITY IN THE LAB

Wheeling Jesuit University's biology lab was a busy place last summer as students performed research under the watchful eye of Dr. Robert Shurina.

The biology professor said he is proud of his summer interns who spent their days performing lab procedures that looked at serious topics like cancer, neurobiology and angiogenesis. He's also pleased that Wheeling Jesuit graduate Tara Richards was hired as research technician for his lab, thanks to a grant from WV INBRE.

INBRE is part of the National Institute of Health Institutional Development Award (IDeA) Program, a consortium among selected institutions of higher education that works to enhance the capacity for educating and training their faculty and students in biomedical research.

Richards watches over the interns and makes sure the lab procedures are properly carried out. Shurina refers to her as a "lab mother," a role she seems happy to accept. She also performs her own testing and experiments that involve cancer studies.

For summer 2009, the undergraduate students who worked in the Wheeling Jesuit lab included: Talia Blankenship, Britany Burthart and Kaleigh Daml.

The emphasis of the program is to attract students to careers in the biomedical sciences and to get undergrads to continue their careers in biomedical education, according to Shurina. Summer jobs that involve research and lab work impress graduate school recruiters and make a student stand out from the competition, which is vital to those applying to medical school, he added.

MCATEER RECEIVES STATE LABOR HONOR



Former Interim President J. Davitt McAleer '66 was inducted into the West Virginia Labor History Association's (WVLA) Hall of Honor in December.

The WVLA has been promoting awareness of the working lives of all West Virginians for more than 25 years. WVLA selects West Virginians to honor each year and McAleer joins longtime Teamster activist Grover Marion of Marmet, W.Va. in receiving the 2009 honor.

The ceremony took place at noon, Saturday, Dec. 5 at the Teamster Building (267 Staunton Avenue) in South Charleston. Plaques displaying the names of all inductees were displayed inside the Labor Building on Leon Sullivan Way in downtown Charleston.

A native of West Virginia, McAleer has devoted much of his professional efforts to mine health and safety issues. He worked with consumer and environmental advocate Ralph Nader on efforts to enact the landmark

1969 Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Acts. During the 1970s, he led the safety and health programs of the United Mine Workers and founded the Occupational Safety and Health Law Center.

In 1984, he visited South Africa at the request of the National Union of Mine Workers to study health and safety issues, and during the Clinton administration served as Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health at the United States Department of Labor. He also served nearly two years as the acting solicitor for the Department of Labor, the second largest law firm in the federal government at that time.

In January of 2005, West Virginia Gov. Joe Manchin asked McAleer to serve as personal advisor and conduct an independent investigation into the cause or causes of the Sago Mine Disaster and the Aracoma Alma No. 1 Mine Fire, both of which occurred in January 2005.

"We are pleased to honor Davitt McAleer in this manner. He has long been a champion of coal miners and we are proud of his service to West Virginia and the country," said WVLA president Gordon Simmons.



NEW STUDY ON GANG ACTIVITY PERFORMED AT UNIVERSITY

Political science professor Dr. John Poffenberger spent the summer studying the growth of gangs in the local region in conjunction with an effort by the U.S. Attorney's Office.

Funded by a \$75,000 grant issued by the Bureau of Justice Assistance through Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang Initiative, the study will be completed by the end of July 2010.

Poffenberger finds that gang activity is a hot topic in many areas of the country and the growth of criminal gangs is a sad part of our contemporary culture.

There are three parts to the study, with the first part consisting of a survey of all law enforcement agencies in the Northern District of West Virginia. Next he will use the surveys to visit public and private schools in the Northern District, which includes Clarksburg, Elkins, Martinsburg and Wheeling neighborhoods, and see if gangs are making their way into area schools. The result of this school survey plus the law enforcement survey will be used by the U.S. Attorney's Office to gauge the prevalence of gang activity in the District and to assist in the development of an anti-gang initiative for the District.

"Youth gangs are everywhere and they tend to intimidate and escalate into violent anti-social activities if left alone. The more we understand the growth of gangs, the better for our community and these young people," Poffenberger said.

UNIVERSITY RECEIVES EPA CARE GRANT TO TACKLE APPALACHIAN ISSUES

The University has received its second Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) grant from the U.S. EPA equaling \$298,374.

The money will help six Appalachian communities tackle environmental problems in Mud River, Prenter, Cabin Creek, Anstead, Logan and Vamey, W.Va. The University will use this grant funding to

focus on specific problems including the impact from mining and coal slurry; water and wastewater management; reducing exposure to toxins; and developing new expertise in community medicine.

Some communities will have their drinking water sampled to determine its safety. The work will be done under the umbrella

of the collective community organization Appalachia CARE Partnership.

This is the second CARE grant awarded to WJU. The first grant allowed the University to conduct an assessment of the communities that helped local groups identify 140 environmental concerns.



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PROFESSOR DOMINICK DEFILIPPIS ELECTED TO REGIONAL OFFICE

Dr. Dominick DeFilippis, associate professor of modern languages, was elected regional representative of Alpha Mu Gamma, the national collegiate modern language honorary society.

He has held the position of regional representative for the association since the late 1990s and will serve West Virginia, Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. region in this role.

Headquartered at Los Angeles City

College in Los Angeles, Alpha Mu Gamma claims more than 307 chapters of the society in the country. Annually, the group honors students who excel in modern languages in a national competition for study abroad scholarships. DeFilippis is proud to report that Wheeling Jesuit students have been repeat first-place winners of scholarships as well as first-place runners up over the years.

In 2008 DeFilippis was also honored for his commitment to languages and interna-

tional studies as the recipient of a Cyrus Vance Award from the state of West Virginia, honoring professors for their efforts at promoting international education.

Beyond teaching, DeFilippis directs WJU's study abroad program. He has been instrumental in instituting language clubs on campus, established a chapter of Alpha Mu Gamma, and has been active in the international studies program and many other language outreach programs both on campus and beyond.



NOTED EDUCATOR & RESEARCHER JOINS WJU PROJECT

Larry Hedges, a national leader in the fields of educational statistics and evaluation, has joined CyGames as a project partner.

Hedges is the board of trustees professor of statistics and social policy and faculty fellow at the Institute for Policy Research at Northwestern University. The CyGames project is funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) to carry out research into videogame learning, design, and assessment that first began with a NASA-funded project that created the Selene videogame.

Hedges said CyGames research is potentially path breaking.

CyGames could serve as a prototype for the types of instructional interventions lots of people are talking about. Hedges is interested in the CyGames assessment suite as a way to measure learning that does not violate the assumptions held by learning scientists. He says the collaboration will support pioneering work to solve problems about how to collect and analyze data.

Hedges' research straddles many fields—in particular those of sociology, psychology, and educational policy. He is best known for his work to develop statistical methods for meta-analysis (a

statistical analysis of the results of multiple studies that combines their findings) in the social, medical, and biological sciences. It is a key component of evidence-based social research. Some of his recent studies include the costs of generating systematic reviews, differences between boys and girls in mental test scores, the black-white gap in achievement test scores, and frameworks for international comparative studies on education.

Hedges' work with CyGames principal investigator Debbie Denise Reese is, in part, under the auspices of the Center for Advancing Research and Communication in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (ARC), which is also funded by the NSF. ARC supports investigators conducting NSF-supported research to build research capacity by strengthening the community of scholars and helping to share knowledge with practitioners, policymakers, and other educational researchers.

The Selene game at the heart of the CyGames project is aimed at players ages 9-18, and players are always needed to help with the research. Before they can play, they must be registered by an adult recruiter, who confirms players' ages, gets parental consent, and gathers other players.



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CHALLENGER CENTER EXPANDS MISSIONS TO INDIA, ARGENTINA AND SOUTH AFRICA

The world has recently become a little smaller place relatively speaking with the e-Missions® distance learning program at the Challenger Learning Center® at Wheeling Jesuit University.

In June, Lori Kudlak, lead flight director for the e-Missions program, conducted the Center's first e-Mission to India. Kudlak connected via video-conference in Wheeling with Westwood International School in Visakhapatnam to train 40 teachers in the Space Station Alpha mission. The teachers are now able to prepare their students for that mission, in which students help protect astronauts aboard the International Space Station from a large solar flare.

On June 26 Kudlak trained six teachers at the Taborin School in Córdoba, Argentina. They took part in Operation Montserrat, in which participants have to decide how to save the residents of the small Caribbean island of Montserrat as a volcano erupts and a hurricane approaches in this simulated emergency.

Teachers at St. Albans College in South Africa participated in Operation Montserrat and in September, the teachers helped their students through the same mission during an evening event for Math Week at the all-male college.



UNIVERSITY PARTNERS WITH SOUTHERN WV COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE



FROM LEFT, SEATED: DR. MERLE DEMPSEY, EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT AT SOUTHERN AND DR. LETHAZOOK, WVU ACADEMIC VICE PRESIDENT; STANDING: DR. CINDY MCCOY, DEAN OF UNIVERSITY TRANSFER PROGRAMS AT SOUTHERN; BILL COOK, DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS, BOONE/LINCOLN CAMPUS; KATIE SMITH COOK, VICE PRESIDENT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AT SOUTHERN; BECKY FORNEY, WVU DEAN OF ENROLLMENT; MELISSA RATAJCZAK, WVU DIRECTOR OF ADMISSIONS/PROFESSIONAL AND GRADUATE STUDIES; AND PAMELA L. ALDERMAN, DEAN OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL PROGRAMS AT SOUTHERN.

Wheeling Jesuit signed a partnership agreement with Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College to offer adult higher education programs to a new group of students, those living in the southwest counties of West Virginia, along the Kentucky border.

Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College recognized an unmet need for adult students to continue their education after acquiring associate degrees or 60 or more prior college credits, and saw the opportunity that a partnership with Wheeling Jesuit would bring to their region. Southern has operated as a community college since 1971.

"This partnership will enhance the mission of both Wheeling Jesuit University and Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College by offering graduate and undergraduate courses, not currently offered at times convenient for so many adult students," Becky Forney, dean of Enrollment Management said. The classes will be offered at Southern locations beginning on the Boone County campus. Class size is expected to be between 15 and 20 students per cohort.

Wheeling Jesuit University successfully adapted its baccalaureate and master's degree programs to accommodate working adults over the years as the need for quality adult degree programs grew. It maintains a Center for Professional and Graduate Studies headquartered on the Wheeling campus to welcome adults and

assist them in obtaining bachelor's and master's degrees. Additionally, the University has the Charleston Center to offer on-site classes to the central part of the Mountain State.

"We are thrilled to expand our mission to adults in this manner on this arrangement for some time," said Forney. "The first cohort of students began in January. It is very exciting to offer a Jesuit education to a new group of adult learners."

Two of its most popular degrees are the accelerated Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Leadership and Development (BOLD) and the Master of Science in Organizational Leadership (MSOL). "Hundreds of students have completed the degrees and reaped benefits professionally due to their college accomplishments," Forney said.

BOLD meets the need of working adults who have earned previous college credit and now want to complete a bachelor's degree, and the MSOL offers its participants opportunities to develop the intellectual and personal skills required of managers and executives of today's organizations, while earning a master's degree.



Alumni NOTES



1969

ROBERT KAMMER

is president of the Maryland Coalition Against Pornography.

1962

KATHY (OLIVER) BURGOYNE

was recognized by Wheeling Hospital for 10 years of volunteer service.

ISABEL-LEE MALONE

presented a workshop on Introduction to Drama Therapy to first-year graduate students at Drexel University.

1963

JOSEPH WITTING

is a professor at UNC Chapel Hill.

1965

LARRY ALBANESE

is a consultant for the Ohio Dept. of Education.

MIKIE "MO PO" CASEM

is a senior systems analyst (NC).

BOB OKANE

and his spouse, **PATRICIA (ROCK-WOOD)**, reside in Niagara Falls, NY. He is retired and she is a real estate agent with Keller William Realty.

1966

MIKE KELLEY

retired from the U.S. Dept. of Defense and now volunteers for visitor services at the National Air and Space Museum (DC).

CAROL (MUTH) ROSING

and her spouse, **DAN**, reside in Westlake, OH. She is semi-retired from St. John Westshore Hospital and he is retired from Nordson Corp.

1968

ROSANNA COFFEY

is vice president of Thompson Reuters (MD).

1969

JANET MALKO

is principal at St. Mary's High School in Elizabeth, N.J.

MARTIN NAPPER

works part-time for the U.S. Foreign Service Office.

LARRY TROMBELLO

is a substitute teacher at Holy Cross School (DE).

1970

ROSALIE KEANE

is celebrating 25 years as owner, instructor and manager of New York Crystal Dance Studio in West Islip, NY.

RICK MERCIER

retired after 35 years of service with the U.S. government.

1971

MIKE DAVIDSON

is senior ops research analyst with ISC Consulting Group, Inc. and is a consultant to the U.S. Army Intelligence Center of Excellence at Fort Huachuca, AZ.

JAMES GILLIGAN

is owner/director of Gilligan Technology, Inc. (OH).

DEACON PETE GUMMERE

is an adjunct faculty member at the Pontifical College Josephinum.

RON KUDLA

is president & CEO of Business America Corp (CA).

JOHN MARCHETTI

works for Barrows Galtersburg (MD) Lumber.

WILLIAM MILLER

works for the Diocese of Cleveland (OH).

ANNE MARIE (BONGIORNO) TOM

is circles coordinator for Westmoreland (PA) Community Action.

1972

JOHN FEHRENBACH

is program coordinator with GE Healthcare overseeing the service of medical equipment at hospitals in the Allentown, PA area.

JANET (DUFFY) LEITCH

works for Ruffing Montessori School (OH).

ROBERT O'NEILL

is executive director of MSS and completed a master's degree in U.S. history.

ROSEMARY (TODOROFF) REED

and her spouse, **DARRELL**, reside in Pittsburgh. He is a gastroenterologist at UPMC-St. Margaret and she is his practice administrator.

LINDA (LACASSE) WHEELER

works for Gilmore Academy (OH).

1973

COL. HARRY DORSEY

is dean of faculty and academic programs at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, National Defense University, at Fort McNair in Washington, DC.

ROBERT HUTCHINGS

is the assistant men's basketball coach at Richard Stockton College (NJ).

CAROL (NESTER) LARKIN

works for Mentor (OH) Public Schools.

KATHLEEN ORR

is a reading specialist for Arlington County (VA) Public Schools.

1974

MARY KAY (KOCIANCIC) BOSSARD

works for The Cleveland Clinic.

MARGARET (SCHWARZ) MOORE

is health IT manager at National Opinion Research Center.

CELIE NEVILLE

is a reverse mortgage consultant for PNC Mortgage, LLC (MD).

BRUCE "MOOSE" VANDYNE

is delivery project manager for IBM (NC).

1975

MARLA-JO BONUCELLI

is program analyst for the OAA, Resource Operations Center Personnel Division (D.C.).

BRIAN TOUMEY

works for the U.S. Postal Service (PA).

1976

FRANCIS REILLY

is a research fellow at Logistics Management Institute (VA).

1977

WILLIAM JETER

is electrical supervisor for TMK-IPSCO (KY).

1978

JOAN (DOVERSPIKE) DAVISON

was promoted to professor and chair of the political science dept. at Rollins College (FL).

JAMES DOUGLAS

is senior internet security analyst for ADP.

GARY GROES

began a corporate financial consulting firm, The Bull Bergen Group, LLC.

1979

DAVID ELLWOOD

and his spouse, **DIXIE (DURIG)**, reside in Wheeling. He is senior vice president of WestBanco Trust & Investment Service.

REV. THOMAS LEWANDOWSKI

is pastor of St. Camillus Parish (Neshannock) and chaplain at Westminster College (PA).



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OHIO VALLEY CHAPTER

About 40 alumni from the Wheeling area gathered at Good Mansion Wines in September to sample wines from around the world. Owner Dominic Carone explained to alumni the different bouquets. This is the second year that the chapter hosted the event.

Alumni from the area kicked off the holidays in December at Erickson Alumni Center during the annual holiday party. Good food and fellowship were the highlight of the evening, along with a visit from Santa Claus.

1990

BESSIE MANLEY

is nurse director at Massachusetts General Hospital. She had an article published in the Oct. 2008 Journal of Nursing Administration.

MARISA (MINARD) RIOS

is a server at the Holiday Inn Intercontinental (TX).

1991

LYNDA (JOHNSON) BERNAUS

is an elementary art educator at The American School of Barcelona.

DALE "TERRY" HAGUE

is a JROTC teacher (NC).

GINA (INTERVAL) JORDAN

is vice president of Northern Trust, NA (FL).

JULIA (DARE) SCHAFER

is systems integration analyst with Lockheed Martin.

1992

DONNA (BUNEVICH) BELL

is an accountant with The Mahaffey Company (FL).

1993

PEGGY (KNUTH) FERGUSON

is a nursing instructor at West Liberty University (WV).

KATHLEEN (BURKE) HEUBEL

is deposit services representative for Marquette Savings Bank (PA).

PETER SULLIVAN

works for Emergency Medicine Physicians (OH).

1994

CARMEN ALAMENO

works for Ingram Micro (PA).

JOE BRENNAN

is president of Southern Lending & Development (MA).

CHRIS (BOICE) CONLEY

is a medical imaging nurse at St. Clair Hospital (PA).

EVA (GRUBER) FOX

is quality control auditor for the American College of Radiology.

ANNE HOKE

is a nurse and works for Upper Chesapeake (MD) Medical Center. She joined the Cardiovascular Institute to open Hartford County's first cardiac lab.

RUSSELL SMITH

is a librarian III - health sciences at the USC.

1995

MARYBETH (MURRAY) EMMERTH

is associate professor of respiratory therapy at WJU.

KIM (BOHRER) HONAKER

is lead business applications analyst for NISource, Inc. (WV).

THOMAS RODDY

is the director of BBP Partners LLC in Cleveland.

1996

TIMOTHY FOY

is vice president of XL Insurance (PA).

CLIFF MACDERMID

is a pharmacist with Rite Aid Pharmacy (MA).

MATT NUSSBAUM

works for Cleveland (OH) Coca-Cola.

1997

DOROTHY BLANER

is executive secretary for Jefferson Co. JVS and the 2nd Ward Councilwoman for the city of Toronto. She received the YWCA 2008 Women of Achievement award.

PAUL BULGARELLI

is a physician for the VA in Pittsburgh.

TONYA (WALLACE) CROSTON

is a financial services representative for SunTrust Banks, Inc. (VA).

JANICE (MERVA) RICHARD

is a nurse in Texas.

1998

ERIN BUCKLEY

is a clinical nurse in urology at MetroHealth Medical Center (OH).

1999

JENNIFER (BROWN) ATKINSON

is a self-employed group exercise instructor (OH).

KATHRYN (TERZES) BONBALL

is a tax consultant.

SHERRY (WINLAND) CROASMUN

is an elementary school counselor for Pleasant Co. Schools and a consultant to the WV Dept. of Education.

LOREEN (AUCHUS) MCGILL

works for Cleveland, VA Medical Center (OH).

1990

LISA BARON

is a preschool special education teacher for Riverside of Miami Co (OH).

PHYLLIS SMITH

is a registered nurse at Washington (PA) Hospital.

1992

KRISTIN CONNORS-TURNER

works for Mercy (OH) Medical Center.

KERI (ALEXANDER) LUCHOWSKI

is associate executive director for the North Coast Athletic Conference (OH).

LAUREN WEICH

and her spouse, Grady Garfson, welcomed daughter Rhianna on March 22. Lauren is a registered nurse at Lake Norman Regional Medical Center.

1993

JOHN CAVANAUGH

is vice president and relationship manager at Pacific Coast Bankers' Bancshares.

MICHAEL CROY

and his spouse, NAN (ARMSTRONG), reside in Aurora, OH. He is warehouse distribution operations manager in Freedom, PA, and the recipient of the 2009 Giant Eagle President's Award.

CHRISSEY (BASSAMIAN) FINDLAY

is the assistant dean of admissions at Bucknell University (PA).

SEAN HEFFERNAN

works for University Hospitals (OH).

MITCHELL HOUSER

works for the City of Euclid, OH.

TANYA SMIGOCKI

was promoted to employee benefits manager in the Global Human Resources Department of the NASDAQ OMX Group, Inc. (NY).

1994

NICOLE (BROVA) DROST

is a yacht closing manager for Allied Marine (FL).

JOHN ZOECKLER

works for Progressive Insurance (OH).

1995

LARISSA (VASICH) HAZELIP

and her spouse, Curt, welcomed daughter Elana on May 20.

KIRSTEN (KOLAJA) VILINSKY

works for the Diocese of Cleveland (OH).

1996

HOPE (SACCO) COFFIELD

works for Wheeling Jesuit University.



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Alumni NOTES



1997

JASON ANDERS
and his spouse, **REBECCA (CHAPMAN)** '00, reside in Beckley, WV. He works for Bodyworks Rehabilitation.

KAREN ESMONDE-WHITE
has been accepted into the University of Michigan's Post-doctoral Translational Scholars Program.

BRAD KREMPASKY
is an audit consultant in operations risk management for AEP.

CHERESE (MEADOWS) LEE
is the founder of the Luke Lee Listening, Language & Learning Lab at Marshall University (WV).

MICHELE (DOYLE) SCHENK
is territory manager with OrthoHelix Surgical Designs (PA).

JULIE WESLEY
works for Ombudsman Educational Services (OH).

1998

BRIAN BENNETT
works for Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc. (OH).

SHANNON (COX) DUNN
and her spouse, **MICAH**, welcomed Lucy Grace on April 19. She is the director of the Oakmont Carnegie Library (PA).

MEGAN (MASLOSKI) SALVATORE
works for Cleveland VA Medical Center (OH).

DAVID SAMS
is system administrator at Lockheed Martin.

1999

CHERYL MAGGIO BELL
works for The Cleveland Clinic.

JASON CULLEY
and his spouse, **LIBBY (BYRUM)** '00, welcomed daughter, Quinn, on March 16. He is a self-employed dentist and she is a marketing communications specialist with Hammond Innovations.

SHELLY (NEWTON) FARBER
works for the Dept. of Defense (OH).

JASON GILLIS
works for Cleveland (OH) Resources - Chemicals Client Group.

LARA (DENISE) LYNCH
and her spouse, **MIKE**, welcomed Madeline Denise May 9.

MIKE ORAVEC
is regional technology officer for Wells Fargo Bank (CA).

MICHELLE PILLAR

is a sixth grade math teacher for Hardy Co. Schools/Moorefield Middle School (OH).

LENA (CLINE) PREVILL
and her spouse, **STEVEN**, reside in McGaheysville, VA. Both work for Target - she is store team leader and he is facility technician.

ERIN (REBBEL) SCHWARTZ
and her spouse, **Richard**, welcomed Nola Jade, May 20.

NICOLE SKAPIK
is the service and training manager for Old Navy in Wheeling.

BRIAN TAGLIERI
is group director/physical therapist at Physiotherapy Associates (GA).

KIRSTEN (KOLAJA) VILINSKY
is a campus minister for the Diocese of Cleveland.

2000

LEANN COOK
is working part-time for the Mid East Career and Technology Center (OH) and is teaching part-time at Belmont Technical College (OH).

2001

STEVE COMBI
is a fraud investigator for PNC (PA).

SOMMER (LUKACENA) DEROSE
works for Montour (PA) School District.

JEFF EBECK
is a state trooper with the Pennsylvania State Police.

LAURA (FURLONG) HENGESBACH
and her spouse, **JUSTIN** '01, welcomed Reid on July 15.

MARK JENNINGS
works for Lines Overseas Management (Bermuda).

NICOLE JOHNSON
works for Mount Union College (OH).

JASON LOS
and his spouse, **CYNTHIA (PLACIENTE)** '99, reside in Abingdon, MD. He is project manager for FBI Consulting, Inc. and she is a pharmaceutical sales rep for Bayer Corp.

2002

SARA (KNESTRICK) BENNINGTON
is a corporate action analyst for BNY Mellon (PA).

ROBERT BLOSSER
is a nuclear medicine technologist and section chief for Washington (DC) Hospital Center.

LARRY BROWNING

is self-employed and works for Adventure Harley Davidson in Ohio.

MELISSA (DIPIETRO) MYERS
and her spouse, **Chris**, welcomed daughter Elizabeth in October 2009. She is finance manager, sales reporting & analytics at Centocor Ortho Biotech, Inc.

MATT PUTHOFF
and his spouse, **Cathy**, welcomed daughter Madison, on July 1.

P.J. REINDEL
and his spouse, **KELLY (SWAN)** '04, reside in Salem, WV. He is project coordinator for Nazareth Farm.

JENNIFER SHEPARD
works for URS Corporation (OH).

VALERIE (TEACHOUT) WINESDOFFER
is a third grade teacher at St. Joseph Catholic Grade School in Huntington, WV.

2003

COLLEEN GAWAGHAN
is employee benefits consultant for PAY-CHECK, Inc. (PA).

SARAH KMET
works for Twinsburg (OH) City Schools.

PAULA (LATHAM) LATTANZI
is a middle school religion teacher at St. Matthias the Apostle School (MD).

BETHANY PETERS
works at Cedars Sinai (CA) Medical Center.

JUSTIN ZEHNDER
is revenue examiner for Alabama Dept. of Revenue.

2004

CHARLES MELKO
is audit manager for PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP (MD).

AMANDA SCHULER
is a physical therapist at Rehab Care (MD).

CHRISTINE WELSH
works for T4C in Ohio.

2005

REBECCA REINDEL
is an environmental health fellow with the U.S. EPA in Washington, D.C.

BRIAN SCHMOLDT
works for Things Remembered in Cleveland.

LAUREN HANSEN-WELCHES
graduated from the Indiana University School of Medicine. She is an otolaryngology-head and neck cancer resident at IU Medical Center in Indianapolis.



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BALTIMORE, MD CHAPTER

Nearly 50 alumni from all over the country gathered at Nick's Crab House in Baltimore for an alumni gathering. Organized by Terry Briggoli '93, Jerome Ferrer '93, Jim Stafford '94 and Chris Daly '90 the event was a huge success. Plans have begun for this year's gathering. Look for more information on the Alumni Web site soon! If you are interested in helping with this year's event, contact the Alumni Office at alumni@wju.edu.

KRISTINE (MALMGREN) YEATER

is attending Duquesne University School of Law while working at the U.S. Attorney's Office.

2006

MICHAEL FINK

works for Cleveland (OH) Benedictine High School.

CONNIE KEPLINGER-VETTER

is an independent contractor of dental hygiene. She is an adjunct faculty member at Lord Fairfax Community College.

RETTA RICO

completed her first year of law school in Florida.

2007

PAMELA BOUTTON

works for Signature Health, Inc (OH).

SHAWN MCINTOSH

is group sales representative with Norfolk (VA) Admirals Hockey.

EMILY REED

is a seventh & eighth grade science teacher for East Liverpool (OH) City Schools.

2008

SEAN Cwynar

works for Apple Growth Partners (OH).

ROBERT FRITSCH

is an Ensign in the U.S. Navy.

GREER GIBBONS

works for High Trails Outdoor Science School (OH).

KATRINA KINSELLA

is a nuclear medicine technologist for

National Institutes of Health (MD).

SARAH PHILLIPS

is a high school physics and math teacher for the PA Virtual Charter School.

STELLA (WYATT) SMITH

is a human resource analyst at Lord Fairfax (VA) Community College

2009

MICHAEL DURHAM

works for The Resort at Glade Springs.

DANIEL BROSNAN

was accepted into the National Journalism Center for the spring 2010 session where he will serve as an intern. The 12-week session runs through April 9.

Deaths

ALUMNI

ROBERT "GREG" BOYD '68 died June 28, 2009.

NORMA (TYSKA) FULTON '68 died

Sept. 3, 2009.

BONNIE MCMAHON '88 died Oct. 25,

2009.

JEROME TOLSON '84 died May 19,

2009.

DERRICK WEST '73 died Aug. 4, 2009.

FAMILY, STAFF & FRIENDS

Marge Zamiska Bogdewic, mother of

CHIP BOGDEWIC '74, died March 19,

2009.

Anne Talbot Brennan, spouse of JAMES

BRENNAN '81, died May 9, 2009.

Gilbert A. Friday, M.D., brother of JAMES

FRIDAY '81 and brother-in-law of JANE

(STRAUB) FRIDAY '81, died Oct. 22,

2009.

John Kudlak, Sr., spouse of PHYLLIS

(NICKERSON) KUDLAK '68, died July

10, 2009.

Wanda McEldowney, mother of SHARON

(MCELDOWNEY) MERRYMAN '82 and

grandmother of LISA MERRYMAN '97,

died Aug. 23, 2009.

Lois Moninger, spouse of BOLD grad

CALVIN MONINGER '82, died Oct. 23,

2009.

Elise "Jean" McCulloch Orr, mother

of WJU graduates, MORAGH (ORR)

MONTOYA-MURCIA '78 and KATHLEEN

(ORR) DORSEY '73, mother-in-law of

HARRY DORSEY '73, and the spouse of

WJU Professor EMERITUS PAUL ORR,

died June 29, 2009.

Kathleen Hogan Schenk long time bene-

factor to WJU died June 27, 2009.

James Snouffer, father of ANDREW

FREEMAN '88, died Sept. 27, 2009.



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WISE ENTERS MEDICAL SCHOOL

Candace Wise '08 began first-year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVSBOM) in Lewisburg, W.Va. Aug. 6.

The daughter of Bud and Terri Coleman of White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., she earned an undergraduate degree in biology while at Wheeling Jesuit University. She is married to Stephen Wise.

While at Wheeling Jesuit, Wise was a member of the Dean's List, Alpha Epsilon Delta, Beta Beta Beta, and Alpha Mu Gamma honor societies. She also received the Gloriam Award, the Fr. Gannon Scholarship, the SMART grant and the PROMISE Scholarship.



CANDACE WISE

Alumni NOTES

PHILADELPHIA, PA CHAPTER

More than 80 alumni and friends took part in this year's Peco Open golf scramble and beef n beer. Organized again this year by Joe Ryan '73, Joe Smith, '73 and Jim Gillin '73, the scramble raised about \$2,000 for the Rev. Charles Currie Philadelphia Chapter Alumni Scholarship. Winning this year's scramble was the team of John McLaughlin, Mark Steward, Frank Reynolds and Mary Reynolds.



STAN WEARDEN

WJU ALUMNUS DR. STANLEY T. WEARDEN NAMED DEAN AT KENT STATE

Wearden, who has nearly 25 years of service at Kent State, was the director of Kent State's School of Communication Studies.

Kent State University President Lester A. Lefton said, "Dr. Wearden is an example of excellence in action. We are proud that our national search for a dean has resulted in the best candidate being one of our own. It is always gratifying to have the opportunity to promote a talented member of our university community."

Wearden came to Kent State in 1984 as assistant professor in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. In 2002 he received a Distinguished Teaching

Award. He was named interim director of the School of Communication Studies in 2004, and became director in 2005.

Dr. Stanley T. Wearden '76 was named dean of the College of Communication and Information at Kent State University.

Wearden is the author or co-author of 30 publications and the recipient of two Ohio Board of Regents Research Challenge Award grants.



LOUIE NARDELLI

NARDELLI GRADUATES FROM MEDICAL SCHOOL

Wheeling Jesuit graduate Dr. Louie Nardelli, II, '03 graduated from the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine (WVOM) in May.

He and his wife, Christine, reside in Richmond, Va., while Dr. Nardelli participates in the psychiatry internship program at Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond.

Nardelli graduated from Robert C. Byrd High

School in Clarksburg in 1998. He earned bachelor of arts degrees in chemistry and criminal law from Wheeling Jesuit University. He is the son of Louie and Karen Nardelli of Clarksburg, W.Va.



In January, Philadelphia area alumni gathered at the home of Martha (Buckley) Shields '84 for the annual post-holiday party. In addition to good food and friendship, Fr. Jim O'Brien, S.J. celebrated a Mass with all those gathered.



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WASHINGTON, DC CHAPTER

More than 80 alumni and friends attended a Mass and brunch at Gonzaga College High School in Washington D.C. Oct. 31. Co-celebrating this year's Mass were former WJU President Fr. Charles Curran, S.J., Fr. Jim O'Brien and former sociology professor Fr. Joseph Sanders. Former Interim President David McFleur '98 and Board Chair Miste (O'Hara) Helm '84 were also on hand to give an update of the campus and answer questions.

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COGAN SCHOLARSHIP CONTINUES TO ASSIST STUDENT ATHLETES

Since 1987, the Cogan Scholarship has offered students financial assistance as they work their way toward a degree at Wheeling Jesuit University. Made possible through the generosity of Wheeling attorney Tim Cogan '69 and his family, the Cogan Scholarship goes to outstanding student-athletes who demonstrate financial need.

"The University owes Tim Cogan and his family special thanks for this scholarship. Their gift shows just how much the family believes in our students and our University, and we are grateful," said Lori Dougherty, director of Institutional Advancement.

Cogan and his wife, Janet Boyle, established the scholarship to honor the memory of his parents, Maurice and Virginia Frantz Cogan of Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

"Wheeling Jesuit had a big impact on my life, and I'm happy we can help give others this opportunity," said Cogan, who is himself a product of eight years of Jesuit education, both high school and college.

The scholarship also honors the Cogan family's lifelong involvement in athletics. Maurice Cogan was a former member of the U.S. Olympic Team and a member of the Dartmouth University football team.

Attracting students, particularly athletes, who otherwise would be unable to attend Wheeling Jesuit University, the scholarship can also be used to retain a student who would otherwise find it difficult financially to continue at Wheeling Jesuit. Preference is given to student-athletes from Cleveland St. Ignace Jesuit High School, but this is not a requirement.

Cogan's siblings James, Pete and Marcia Cogan also are involved with the award, along with other family and friends.

"We are very grateful for the Cogan family support and we know just how much it means to our students and our athletic program," said Danny Sancombi, director of Athletics.

2009 recipients are junior volleyball player Laura O'Reilly, San Francisco, Cal.; volleyball player Michelle Bonifich, Chesterland, Ohio; Junior Nathan Ogonek, Grafton, Ohio, a member of the men's basketball team and freshman Brenden Bazilio, Bowie, Md. a guard on the men's basketball team.



WJU ALUMNUS NAMED TO 2009 SUPER LAWYERS® LIST

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Jim Wicks '83 is one of five lawyers in the New York firm of Farrell Fritz to be selected for inclusion in the 2009 New York Super Lawyers® - Metro Edition.

Wicks concentrates his practice in business and commercial litigation. He is a Life Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation. Wicks is an adjunct professor at St. John's University School of Law, where he was named Adjunct Professor of the Year for 2008. He is a fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA)™, a trial lawyer honorary society composed of less than one-half of one percent of

American lawyers. Fellowship is highly selective and by invitation only. In 2009, he was named to the national listing of "The Top Attorneys in Business Litigation" in the Corporate Counsel Edition of Super Lawyers® magazine.

This is the second year in a row that Farrell Fritz has the largest number of Long Island-based attorneys to be named to the list from a single law firm. Super Lawyers® is a listing of outstanding lawyers who have attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement.



JIM WICKS



Look for information on a spring alumni event in the Nation's Capitol soon. The date has been set for April 24th. Watch the WJU alumni Web site for more details.

A group of 20 Cleveland area alumni met on Nov. 4 to begin work to launch a chapter in that area. Alumni from the 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s were represented. The group is planning an event in late winter and a golf outing in the spring. They hope to host a summer picnic for alumni, current students and prospective students.

If you are interested in becoming involved with the chapter, contact the alumni office at alumni@wvu.edu.

Riley Receives Award from the American Accounting Association

Dr. Riley '84 was the recipient of the 2008 Innovation in Accounting Education Award from The American Accounting Association (AAA) for his work on forensic accounting and fraud examination.

The AAA award, which is sponsored by the Ernst & Young Foundation, was presented to Riley during the Association's annual held in New York Aug. 5.

Riley is currently a Louis F. Tanner Distinguished Professor of Public Accounting at West Virginia University and the 2008 Association of Certified Fraud Examiners Educator of the Year. He is the director of research for the Institute for Fraud Prevention and has taught at WVU since 1998.

Riley was instrumental in bringing the forensic accounting and fraud investigation graduate program to WVU in 2004.

He also was part of a group that created national curriculum guidelines for such programs under a grant from the National Institute of Justice. He also implemented an educational program for the IRS.

The annual Innovation in Accounting Education Award is intended to encourage innovation and improvement in accounting education, and submissions are judged by their innovation, demonstrated educational benefits and adaptability by other academic institutions or to other situations.



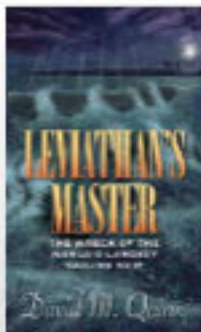
RICHARD RILEY



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Alumnus Recounts Wreck of Ship in New Novel

A new book by David M. Guinn '67 recounts the wreck of the world's first super tanker, the T.W. Lawson.



Leviathan's Master – The Wreck of the World's Largest Sailing Ship was released in October. A true story, it is transformed into a gripping historical novella by the ship's captain's great, great nephew, an alumnus of Wheeling Jesuit University.

The Lawson was the biggest sailing vessel ever built and the world's first super-tanker. In the winter of 1907, the 400-foot, seven-mast schooner was making her first trans-Atlantic crossing with 2.4 million gallons of kerosene for delivery to London when it wrecked, killing 17 people.

The author was born in Oak Ridge, Tenn. in 1945 and grew up in the Washington, D.C. area. Following his passion for genealogy led him to uncover remarkable stories within his family history.

First was that of his great, great uncle Michael Guinn, as told in the historical novel, *It May Be Forever – An Irish Rebel on the American Frontier*.

Now, drawing upon his maternal ancestry, Guinn tells the remarkable story of Captain George W. Dow, who is the narrator of the true story, *Leviathan's Master – The Wreck of The World's Largest Sailing Ship*. His latest book is published by Universe in paperback, dustjacket hardcover or as an e-book.



DAVID M. GUINN

Service for Social Action Director and Alumna Featured in Magazine

"I know, with all my heart that I am called to live out my faith in service to others," Erin said in the article.

Erin McDonald '03, director of the Service for Social Action Center at Wheeling Jesuit, was featured in an article entitled, "Stand with Others," by Kathleen Durkin '71, CSJ, published in the biannual Congregation of Saint Joseph magazine, *ImagineOne*.

McDonald told of her connection with the Congregation of Saint Joseph (formerly the Sisters of St. Joseph) and described her personal journey of discovery that has brought her to Wheeling Jesuit's campus and to service as a professor, after earning her bachelor's in psychology seven years ago.



ERIN McDONALD

Each day, McDonald works on campus service projects and travels on service trips with students. To read the entire article, visit the Congregation of St. Joseph Web site by logging onto <http://www.csjoseph.org/imagineonemagazine.aspx>.



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Three WJU Grads Join the Jesuit Volunteers

Three alumni have dedicated themselves to a year or more of simple living and working for social justice in a spiritually supportive community as new members of the Jesuit Volunteer Corps.

In July 2009, regional organizations known as JVC East, JVC Midwest, JVC South and JVC Southwest merged with the Jesuit Volunteers International to form one organization—Jesuit Volunteer Corps. In the fall of 2009 JVCs welcomed 293 volunteers to serve throughout the United States and in seven other countries around the World. With more than a 10 percent increase in volunteers serving in the United States this year, this

means that the Jesuit volunteers will provide a greater level of support to local organizations stretched by the current economic climate.

The three WJU Grads and their assignments are:

Joseph Balbier '08, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of Alameda County in Oakland, Cal.

Justin Brandt '08, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Bethel, Alaska. (Brandt serves in the JVC Northwest.)

Daniel Torra '08, YMCA International Services in Houston, Tex.

ATHLETICnews

Three Inducted into Athletic Hall of Fame

Two former athletes and one former coach were selected this year for induction into the WJU Athletic Hall of Fame.

During Friends and Family Weekend in October, the University welcomed former soccer standout Brian Cullen '88, long-time men's basketball coach and athletic director Jay DeFruscio and swimmer Steve Hemmelgarn '88 into its athletic royalty.

Cullen, a Cardinal men's soccer standout, was a First-Team All-WVIAC selection all four years at WJU. He was selected a regional All-American twice and All-American Scholar-Athlete twice. Cullen was the 1998 WVIAC Player of the Year and was team MVP in 1995, 97 and 98, serving as team captain in 1998. He went on to become assistant soccer coach for the Cardinals, helping to coach the Cardinals to a fifth place finish in the country in 2000. He is now a plant manager for Weyerhaeuser and resides in Eugene, Oregon.

DeFruscio was responsible during his nearly 20 years with WJU for starting 14 new intercollegiate sports programs and for moving the University from NAIA to NCAA Division II status. He is the all-time leader in career wins, with 311 wins in 18 seasons, and is a two-time WVIAC Coach of the Year. DeFruscio's teams earned

the WVIAC regular season title in 1989, the school's first WVIAC Tournament Championship in 2005 and played in two additional NCAA Tournaments in 2005 and 2006 and one NAIA Tournament in 1989. He left Wheeling Jesuit in 2004 to become an assistant coach for the Indiana Pacers.

Hemmelgarn was period NAIA All-American in 1995 and six-time WVIAC champion. Hemmelgarn was the four-time WVIAC All-Conference champion in the 50, 100 and 200 Freestyle and earned Penn-Ohio All-Conference honors in the 50, 100 and 200 Freestyle three times. He was also the four-time Academic All-American and a two-time team captain for the Cardinals. Today he is a career firefighter and paramedic for Liberty Township/Powell, Ohio, a part-time member of the Marysville, Ohio Fire Department, as well as a volunteer with the New Bremen, Ohio Fire Department.

Established in 1987 to honor former student-athletes, coaches or other members of the WJU community who have made significant contributions to Cardinal athletic programs, the Hall of Fame has 68 outstanding athletes enshrined to date.



STEVE
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Men's Soccer Finishes Third in the WVIAC

The Cardinal soccer team finished the 2009 campaign with a third place WVIAC conference finish, earning them a home field advantage in the first round of the tournament.

The men's soccer program posted a 12-5-4 overall record and 6-2-2 conference mark. In the first round of tournament play, sophomore Billy Wilson scored the lone goal in a 1-0 victory over University of Pitt-Johnstown.

In the second round game, the Cards and the Senators of Davis and Elkins battled to a scoreless tie at the end of regulation. Neither team was able to score a goal in two overtime periods. The semi-final match was decided with a shootout with D&E slotting a goal to win the game.

Senior T.J. O'Brien received his second consecutive WVIAC First-Team honor while senior Hans Moses was recognized as a First-Team selection. Sophomore Billy Wilson and freshman Paul Silvestrone were WVIAC Second-Team honorees and Junior Shane Young and sophomore Chris Reel were selected WVIAC Honorable Mention.



The women's soccer team rounded out the regular season with a five-game winning streak, propelling the Lady Cards to a third place finish.

The team finished the year 11-9 overall and 8-3 in the conference. The Lady Cards recorded a 2-0 win over Seton Hill in the opening round of the WVIAC tournament before suffering a loss in the semi-final round to West Virginia Wesleyan by a score of 2-1.

Ten Lady Cards earned WVIAC accolades. First Team honors were awarded to Juniors Kara Houston, Hannah Walker and

Stephanie Marazza. Houston led the WVIAC in scoring with 25 goals and 4 assists for 54 points while Walker's 12 assists ranked first in the WVIAC and Marazza's defensive effort was unmatched.

Second Team honors were given to seniors Monica Prieur and Amanda Beliso, and freshmen Amy Stillner and Ashley McGinnis. All-WVIAC Honorable Mention winners were senior Jessica Park, Junior Katrina Kennedy and freshman Megan Newnones.

Lady Cards Place Three on All-WVIAC First-Team

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Volleyball Sweeps WVIAC Championships with 17-0 Record

The women's volleyball team dominated the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) this season by winning all 14 conference matches to capture the regular season crown.

The Cardinals won 38 straight sets versus WVIAC opponents and only dropped one set this season in league action. Wheeling Jesuit is 167-7 in conference regular season play since the start of the 1999 season.

In addition, the Cardinals ran their win streak to 25 matches and captured the WVIAC Volleyball Tournament championship. They

defeated Davis and Elkins, West Virginia State, and Alderson-Broaddus in three sets. The victory marks back-to-back WVIAC Tournament titles for the Cardinals and is their sixth championship of the decade.

Senior Cate Halberstadt earned the tournament's Most Valuable Player Award, while senior Missy Gossett and juniors Keysha Allison and Kristen Dubroy were named to the All-WVIAC Tournament Team.

Volleyball Players Claim Regular Season Top Honors

WVIAC regular season champion Wheeling Jesuit claimed the league's top player honors for the 2009 volleyball season.

Junior Keysha Allison has been named WVIAC Player of the Year, while teammate Allissa Ware is the league's Freshman of the Year.

Allison was a dominant performer on the right side for the Lady Cardinals. The 5-10 junior ranked sixth in the WVIAC with a .295

hitting percentage and stood among the league leaders with 261 kills. She also provided WJU with nearly five assists per set as a part-time setter.

Ware made an immediate splash in her first college season. The outside hitter led the regular season champion Cardinals with 326 kills. She also boasted a .275 hitting percentage. Ware also is among the league's top 20 in digs with 3.05 per set.



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Men's and Women's Cross Country Place Four on the All-WVIAC Team

Members of the men's and women's cross country team received recognition following their performance in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference meet this fall.

Freshman Megan Truelove, Junior Sarah Campanelli and senior Julia McGinley finished in the top 10, earning WVIAC All-Conference honors for the women. The Cardinal runners placed fifth at the conference meet.

On the men's side, sophomore Ryan Beabout was the only Cardinal to finish in the top 10 and the only WVIAC All-Conference runner for the 2009 campaign. The men also finished fifth at the conference meet.

Campanelli scored an 11th place finish for the top placement by a WVIAC athlete and a spot on the All-Region Team at the NCAA Division II Atlantic Cross Country Regional meet.

"I'm very proud of Sarah's performance. I believe she is the second WVIAC female athlete to ever make the All-Region Team," said Head Coach Ricky Moore.

Campanelli completed the 6K course in a time of 22:04 to lead the WJU women to a 14th place finish at the regionals. Truelove finished in 23:07 which was good for a 38th place, while McGinley came in 68th with a time of 23:55.

"Overall, the women ran really well," stated Coach Moore. "They placed higher than all the other WVIAC teams in this regional, and that was their goal after finishing fifth at the conference meet."



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RYAN BEABOUT



SARAH CAMPANELLI



MEGAN TRUELOVE

A formula for Making a Difference



BRYAN RAUDENBUSH

The Jesuit tradition of education is based on a rigorous, liberal arts approach to learning that demands students think critically and act compassionately throughout their course of study. At WJU, research is a big part of achieving that goal.

Professors in all fields recognize that by fostering student research they place students on the road to success.

"Studies show the benefits of undergraduate research. It enhances student learning through mentoring relationships with faculty and increases retention in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) pipeline," said Dr. Bryan Raudenbush, associate professor of psychology and director of undergraduate

research. "Research increases enrollment in graduate education and provides effective career preparation. It develops critical thinking, creativity, problem solving and intellectual independence, develops an understanding of research methodology, and promotes an innovation-oriented culture," he explained.

Raudenbush is a great example due to his research on how foods such as chocolate and peppermint can affect mood and performance. Most recently, his study on peppermint scent reducing calorie intake was cited in *Good Housekeeping* magazine's September issue. This is one of many local, regional and national articles highlighting his research.

Each April, the University sponsors the Student Research and Scholarship Symposium – a day to spotlight research done by WJU students.

"We know that our symposium is successful at helping students to prepare for graduate school and the work world," said Letha Zook, vice president of academics. "Our students have a chance to explore topics on their own and to creatively develop their thinking skills. It's a chance to show leadership and develop communication skills too."

Alumna Miranda Hanson '05 knows this well. She began working at the National Cancer Institute in Frederick, Md. this past fall after working her way through a doctoral degree at West Virginia University. At WVU she was a graduate research assistant in the department of microbiology, immunology and cell biology. Upon completion of her doctorate, Hanson found a job in research and attributes much of her success to WJU's emphasis on undergraduate research and its importance to career success. Another recent graduate, Tim Wright '09, earned a degree in psychology and philosophy and is now working in Morgantown at a nationally recognized government services provider, Eagle Systems & Services. He hopes to enter graduate school soon since his long-term goal is to be a psychology professor and a consultant.

Wright knows the value of his WJU degree and the research hours he logged during his four years of study. Since graduation, he's found that he has more research experience than many of his peers who already have master's degrees.



Like most WJU undergrads, Wright was introduced to research as a sophomore. In his junior year, he was designing his own projects and by the time he graduated, he had taken part in studies like: "Nintendo Wii Vs. Microsoft X-Box: Differential Effects on Mood, Physiology, Snacking Behavior, and Caloric Burn" and "Effects of Auditory and Visual Distractions on Altering Pain Perception."

"The research I did makes me feel ready for graduate school and confident that I can succeed," Wright said.

Kristin McCombs '05 is another example of a graduate who knows the value of WJU research and makes it a part of her life.

McCombs is a Bethesda, Ohio resident and current Wheeling Jesuit adjunct professor of psychology. She went on to earn a master's at the University of Pittsburgh and is now working on her doctorate at Kent State University, studying educational psychology.



KRISTIN McCOMBS

She continues doing research at WJU, working on a project at the Center for Educational Technologies and using it for doctoral credit at Kent State. McCombs is collaborating with Dr. Debbie Reese, senior educational researcher, on the Selene project, which looks at students (age 9-18) learning science through video gaming.

She thinks there are great things going on research-wise at Wheeling Jesuit.

"Students have a voice in designing research from an early point in their undergraduate careers at WJU," she said. "Oftentimes, the research also reflects how service oriented WJU is as a campus. Students are concerned about much more than statistical significance: they want to see that their research is making a difference, whether by finding ways to distract people from pain or finding ways to improve health or learning."

Wright added, "It seems that education is different at Wheeling Jesuit in a good way — and research is a big part of that difference. Alumni take the research experience with them as they build their futures."



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Service Provides Students with the “Gritty Reality” of Learning

Performing well in the classroom is just one facet of a Jesuit education – particularly one from Wheeling Jesuit. Service is at the core of the educational experience and students have many ways to “learn” outside the classroom.

“It’s very important to perform well in the classroom, but it’s also important for students to take the theories learned and apply them to the real world. Service gives our students this opportunity,” said Erin McDonald, director of the Service for Social Action Center.

McDonald said students at Wheeling Jesuit have so many ways to serve in the local area, the region and internationally. Through various organizations, sports teams, academic programs and residence halls, students have many options to participate in service and social justice initiatives.

She said a quote by Fr. Peter Hans-Kolvenbach, S.J., best describes why service is such an important part of Jesuit education. “Students, in the course of their formation, must let the gritty reality of this world into their lives, so they can learn to feel it, think about it critically, respond to its suffering and engage it constructively. They should learn to perceive, think, judge, choose and act for the rights of others, especially the disadvantaged and oppressed.”

McDonald said Fr. Kolvenbach’s quote really describes services at Wheeling Jesuit. “It’s our responsibility at Jesuit institutions to get our students outside the classroom to see real life at work.

“That’s why we push them to do more and step outside their comfort zone. The gritty reality is that our students are transformed by their experience of serving others and that they use the skills,” she added. “The work that the students do isn’t glamorous or flashy, but is vital to the people who are served. “Our students are in the trenches and our hope is two-fold—that they use the lessons and skills they learn by doing service to transform the world around them and to transform education for the real world,” McDonald added.

Two of the most prominent service programs at WJU are the HESS Mentoring Program and the Arupe Scholarship Program.

HESS, which stands for “Help Enrich Someone Special” is in its seventh year. WJU students serve as mentors to 30-plus at-risk, Wheeling area middle school students. The middle schoolers come to campus each Wednesday to interact with WJU students. According to McDonald, the youngsters and University students have dinner, then are tutored on homework and schoolwork before undertaking a fun and educational activity each week with their WJU mentors.

Elizabeth Sluciak, a junior psychology major from Canonsburg, Pa., participates in the HESS Mentoring Program. The program, she said, has made her more aware of the challenges that exist in Wheeling.





"We are aware of the poverty in developing countries, and sometimes it is hard to fathom that something like that can really be going on in our own neighborhoods. This knowledge makes me really think about how lucky I am, and I find myself working harder academically because of how lucky I truly feel."

Sluciak has also participated in a health immersion trip, but the HESS program has made a real impact in her life.

"With HESS, I find that I look forward to the three hours a week I have with my mentee because it's a time when I do not have to worry about work or school. I get to hang out with a group of amazing kids. It's like a mini break from life each week," she added.

The Amupei program consists of WJU students who receive Amupei scholarship dollars. The program stresses service and leadership, and is made up of 10 students from each class. Each student is required to perform 33 hours of service in the local community each semester plus participate in an immersion trip at the end of each year, which progresses from local to rural to urban to international.

McDonald said Amupei was revamped several years ago to allow students to serve the city, the region, the country and the world, and "to challenge them to see the effects of poverty from their own backyard to around the world."

Hannah Walker from Silver Lake, Ohio is a junior Amupei Scholar and serves at the YWCA in Wheeling. Walker said working with the many battered women at the YWCA shelter "keeps me grounded. Service allows me to understand other people's choices due to circumstances, and it provides me with new, amazing people in my life. Academically, I plan on getting a master's in

social work from the University of Akron and most of the drive to continue my career choice comes from the service that I do at the Y each week."

Walker was active in service in high school and is happy that she could continue to make a difference in the lives of others while at WJU. "The most rewarding part of service is the relationships that I have made with the people I work with. It's very important for me to feel connected to what I do, and the women at the shelter make it possible for me to continue my work there. I love the kids as well, and I really feel like I can do something to help their lives."



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Study to Track 'HEALTHe' West Virginians

Grant money from NASA will allow the NTTC HEALTHeWV program to study what effects the use of electronic medical records tracking will have on residents in southern West Virginia who suffer from diabetes.

The NTTC received a research grant from NASA to implement electronic health records (EHRs) in rural, medically underserved communities of West Virginia – the initiative is entitled HEALTHeWV (HeWV). A portion of the NASA research grant will focus on studying the effects of using EHRs in clinical practice on the health outcomes of diabetic patients. The study was designed to measure the impact of electronic medical records containing a diabetic disease registry in the health outcomes of patients with diabetes. The study will revolve around comparing pre-test data (using paper medical records) with the post-test data (using electronic medical records with diabetic registries) against the national benchmark diabetic health outcomes measures.

A one-year data set on this group will be collected from clinics before the implementation of electronic medical records and will act as a baseline. Another one-year data set will be collected after implementation of the EHRs allowing these two data sets to be compared. The results will show the effectiveness of electronic medical records and disease registry against paper-based medical records.

The study is being led by Kathy Platter, manager of health applications and clinical services, under the direction of Mazharulash Shalk, M.D., executive director of health technology programs at Wheeling Jesuit University. The study should be completed by the end of March and the results are expected to be published by May.

"Implementing an EHR is an opportunity and a challenge," said Craig Robinson, executive director of Cabin Creek Health Systems. "It is an opportunity to revise processes to improve care and it is a challenge because the staff must learn a new way of recording and managing information. HeWV organizes and presents information to medical providers in a way that promotes efficient clinical decision-making. The program also provides the opportunity for expanding the role of nurses and medical assistants in collecting and recording clinical data. However, it does require significant management attention to process design, training and creating opportunities for discussion and problem solving."

Platter added, "I am excited to be leading this outcomes study, which will demonstrate how patient care is affected in rural communities using electronic health records."



West Virginia leads the nation in the incidence of many chronic disease conditions such as obesity, diabetes and heart disease. In 2009, West Virginia was first in the nation for the number of cases of diabetes with 11.6 percent of the residents (approximately 256,000 people) diagnosed with the condition and many more who do not even know that they have the disease. West Virginians have also experienced higher prevalence rates of co-morbid conditions such as obesity, physical inactivity and hypertension.

Access to diabetes education, care and management is limited and/or non-existent in many rural areas of West Virginia. People who are poor, under educated and live in rural areas are therefore more likely to have devastating diabetes consequences. The social, psychological, physical and economic costs associated with diabetes create a burden for individuals, families, the

state and the nation.

Throughout participating clinics in West Virginia, electronic medical records are having an impact in health care. To date,

- 109 providers and 161 staff members have been trained in using the system
- 639 users are accessing the system
- 316,828 patient encounters have been documented.



KATHY PLATTER



Save the



Date!

Alumni Weekend 2010

June 4, 5 & 6

Celebrating anniversaries are the classes of 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000 & 2005.

Don't forget to watch for updates on the WJU Web site and in your mailbox.

Homecoming 2010

Mark Your Calendars!

Oct. 21-24, 2010

Don't miss your chance to launch a new tradition at Wheeling Jesuit. The Weekend will feature fun and activities for the entire family - the Athletic Hall of Fame Induction, fun in the Ratt, a tailgate and athletic alumni games.

Look for more updates throughout the year on the WJU Web site — www.wju.edu