Helping Westminster College Rise Ever Higher
There is an inscription in the Tower Room of Old Main that reads, “We have all been warmed by fires we did not build and drunk from wells we did not dig.” This quote from an anonymous author captures the underlying theme of higher education in America: Our advancement as a society, and the benefits we derive today, are only made possible through the dedication and beneficence of those who precede us.

As I gaze from my office onto the expanse of the main quad watching the students change classes, I am reminded that the scholarships and grants they receive and the buildings they frequent were made possible only because certain people recognized the need to provide the next generation with the intellectual tools essential for a learned and democratic society. Since the College’s founding in 1852, thousands of alumni and friends, foundations, and corporations have invested in Westminster’s academic mission. The dividends on that investment are manifested in the subsequent generations of productive, successful, and caring individuals who have substantially contributed to the ongoing improvement of our society. We are the grateful beneficiaries of the largesse of those before us, and future generations shall in similar fashion enjoy the opportunities that we provide them. This is why investing in higher education is among the most meaningful and productive pursuits of humankind.

Four years ago the Westminster College Board of Trustees approved a 10-year strategic plan for the College—Advantage: Westminster. Thirty-nine Key Goals supported Four Main Initiatives to elevate the College further in fulfillment of its academic mission “to help men and women develop competencies, commitments, and characteristics which have distinguished human beings at their best.” There are few causes as worthy if we are to remain a free society committed to democratic principles. It is a mission that merits your endorsement—and involvement.

Westminster College has now launched Ever Higher: The Campaign for Westminster College, its first comprehensive campaign since the late 1980s. The campaign is essential to the realization of the vision contained in our Strategic Plan. This issue of Westminster Magazine highlights our effort and I am delighted and proud to say that already the campaign has become the most successful fundraising undertaking in the history of the College! With an initial goal of $40 million, over $37 million has been committed during its preliminary silent phase prior to a public announcement. This has resulted in the Campaign Cabinet and the Board of Trustees having to raise the goal to $50 million—an unprecedented action in Westminster history.

There remain many unmet needs in our Strategic Plan yet to be fulfilled by the Ever Higher campaign in its remaining years. During that time, I hope each of you will lend your generous support to help “build a fire or dig a well” for the next generation of students. The outstanding educational outcomes we produce and the quality of our graduates who enter society merit your assistance. So, on behalf of the thousands of future students who will benefit from your participation, thank you in advance for your generosity. Your enthusiastic participation can indeed help Westminster progress “Ever Higher.”

Dr. Richard H. Dorman
President
Wear your Titan colors with pride January 21 in honor of the founding of Westminster in 1852.

Show your Titan Pride by wearing your favorite Westminster hoodie, T-shirt, or hat, or by proudly using your Westminster coffee mug at work, or flying a Westminster banner. In short, just display that White and Blue!

Get together with Westminster friends and share your Titan Pride together!

Share pictures of yourself or with a group of Westminster friends showing off your White and Blue at www.facebook.com/westminsterpa.

Send your pictures to the Office of Alumni Relations for use on the website and in Westminster Magazine.

Watch your email and the Westminster Weekly for news of a special day for online shopping at the Titan Gift Shop (with a reduced rate for alumni!) to stock up on Westminster gear and goodies.

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The Moment arrives every fall — the excitement, the nervousness, the tears, the countless bags, boxes, and cell phones. A new crop of students appears on the campus every 12 months, but each year is special. Each year brings something new.

This year was no different as Westminster welcomed 331 first-year students. Nearly 90 Fresh Start student volunteers, Titan football players and members of the Residence Life staff helped new members of the Class of 2016 lug belongings to dorm rooms and get unpacked. The orientation weekend included the annual Opening Convocation ceremony with the keynote address delivered by Erin Smith, director of library services and associate professor, who discussed “What People Think I Do.” Organized group activities, picnics and entertainment for the new students rounded out the weekend.
TITAN PRIDE. It comes when you pull on an old White & Blue sweatshirt, flip through the pages of your class yearbook, or reminisce about strolling across the Quad. And several alumni surely felt that Titan pride this fall when they arrived on campus and watched their children become Westminster students and members of the Legacy family. This year 15 students became Legacy members, entering into a long-standing and proud tradition at Westminster.
How we measure up

Is Westminster College a good fit for someone you know? Your daughter? Your nephew? The neighbor girl down the street? Here are the latest annual rankings that might be useful if you're looking to make the hard sell for Westminster.

**Graduation rate performance:**
Westminster tied for fourth among top-tier National Liberal Arts Colleges in graduation rate performance, according to the 2013 *U.S. News Best Colleges* rankings. Westminster’s 74% graduation rate was 12 points higher than predicted and trailed only Vermont’s St. Michael’s College (+20), Kentucky’s Berea College (+16) and Georgia’s Spelman College (+15) among top-tier National Liberal Arts Colleges. Sokia University of America (Calif.), St. Mary’s College of Maryland and St. Vincent College (Pa.) also had +12 graduation rate performance marks.

**Not quite a straight-A student?**
Westminster was also recognized as an “A-Plus School for B Students” by *U.S. News*. The category recognizes exceptional schools that seek a broad, engaged student body, and admit a meaningful proportion of applicants whose test scores and class standing put them in non-A territory. Westminster was noted for incoming freshmen having a 3.5 high school grade point average with 62% of the incoming class ranking in the top 25% of their high school class. The average SAT score of incoming Westminster students was 1084, about 80 points higher than the average test taker.

**A Best 377:** Westminster is one of the country’s best institutions for undergraduate education, according to *The Princeton Review*, which featured Westminster in the new 2013 edition of its annual college guide, “The Best 377 Colleges.”

**Tuning in:** Titan Radio, Westminster’s student radio station (WWNW 88.9FM), earned recognition (ranked 7th) as one of the “Best College Radio Stations” for the fifth straight year, according to *The Princeton Review*.

**Socially speaking:** Westminster was also included in *The Princeton Review* category “Future Rotarians and Daughters of the American Revolution” based on political persuasion, popularity of student government, the prevalence of religion, and other social characteristics noted in student surveys.
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Tracking Titans Across the U.S.

Westminster graduates inhabit all 50 states. You can use Titan Tracker, the new secure online alumni directory, to find other alumni in your area.

Want to reconnect with a Westminster roommate, team member or friend or looking for fellow alumni in your home area or similar occupation? Titan Tracker provides secure access to search for fellow Titans using a variety of criteria.

The directory is accessible only to Westminster alumni with .mywestminster login accounts through https://my.westminster.edu.

If you would like access to the Titan Tracker, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations at alumni@westminster.edu or (724) 946-7364 and provide a current email address.

Buon giorno, Westminster!

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Number of students who earned master’s degrees over the summer: 10
Number of students who received scholarships through The Pittsburgh Foundation this year: 9
Number of Westminster faculty who participated in the reading of the College Board’s AP exams: 7

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Strengthening ties with Israel

Lyndsey Vogler, center of left photo, during her internship. At right, Westminster College faculty visiting Western Galilee College are, from front left, Amy Camardese, Linda Domanski, Shannon Smithy, and Mandy Medvin. Back row from left, Yehuda Peled, Bryan Rennie, Tim Cuff, Carolyn Cuff, Charlene Klassen Endrizzi, and Sherri Pataki.

Several Westminster faculty members and a student spent time in Israel recently, learning the culture, working with Western Galilee College colleagues, and presenting research.

Lyndsey Vogler, a senior psychology major and peace studies minor, completed a month-long internship in Israel as part of cross-cultural research for her senior capstone project focusing on parent-daughter relationships in patriarchal and egalitarian families.

While in Israel, Vogler observed the two of the main religions in the country: Judaism and the Muslim faith. Her host family practiced Judaism, allowing her to witness and participate in their religious and cultural beliefs and holidays. She also spent time with the Muslim community in Israel.

A student from Western Galilee College, Haya Khaldi, assisted Vogler with data collection and surveys. Vogler also volunteered during the day at a children’s camp and the Hafuch Center for at-risk-teens.

Vogler is one of seven Westminster students who have been able to travel to Israel and benefit from the partnership between Westminster College and Western Galilee College in northern Israel.

Faculty members Dr. Carolyn Kidder Cuff ’78, professor of mathematics, and Dr. Timothy Cuff ’78, associate professor of history, spent May in residence at Western Galilee as part of Westminster’s on-going efforts to build academic connections with the Israeli institution.

While there, Timothy Cuff delivered two lectures while at Western Galilee: “The U.S. Electoral College: History of A ‘Weighted’ System,” given to a political science class, and “Why Would Anyone Care How Big I Am? (And Want to RETRIEVE That Number),” presented to a computer information systems class. Cuff also lectured at the University of Haifa to a class of upper-division students in economics on “What is Anthropometric History and What Can It Tell Us About Economic Well-Being?”

The Cuffs, along with seven other Westminster faculty members, also participated in the fourth Bridges International Faculty Workshop at Western Galilee College in June. Seven different higher education institutions participated in this workshop focused on forging American-Israeli academic collaborations.

Presentations included:

- “Gender Roles and Empowering Women”: Dr. Sherri Pataki, associate professor of psychology and coordinator of Westminster’s Peace Studies Program, with her research partners Dr. Randa Abbas (Western Galilee College) and Dr. Carey Ryan (University of Nebraska at Omaha).
- “Kindies Aid Students with Learning Disabilities”: Dr. Amy Camardese, associate professor of education and chair of the department. Research conducted by Camardese and Dr. Eileen Morelli, associate professor of education.
- “Issues in Qualitative and Quantitative Research—Statistics Education for the 21st Century”: Dr. Carolyn Cuff, professor of mathematics and statistics.
- “History and the Social Sciences” roundtable: Discussion led by Dr. Timothy Cuff, associate professor of history.
- “Interactive White Boards”: Dr. Linda Domanski, associate professor of education; Dr. Mandy Medvin, professor of psychology, department chair and director of Westminster’s preschool laboratory; and Dr. Yehuda Peled (Western Galilee College and past Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at Westminster).
- “Cyberbullying”: Dr. Linda Domanski, associate professor of education; Dr. Mandy Medvin, professor of psychology, department chair and director of Westminster’s preschool laboratory; and Dr. Yehuda Peled (Western Galilee College and past Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at Westminster).
- “Encouraging Literacy at Home”: Dr. Charlene Klassen Endrizzi, professor of education and faculty development officer.
- “Rights and Interaction with the Police”: Dr. Shannon Smithy, associate professor of political science. Smithy was also a discussant to a presentation on the need for religious accommodation in the Israeli military.
- “The Ethology of Art and Religion”: Dr. Bryan Rennie, Vira I. Heinz professor of religion and chair of the department of religion, history, philosophy, and classics, during one of four plenary sessions.
Henderson lecturer

Dr. James Rhoads, professor of political science, was selected as the 2012-2013 Henderson Lecturer.

His presentation, “Science and the Single Case: Studying the ‘Political Type’,” focused on understanding how political attitudes are constructed by using Q Methodology. Q Methodology was invented by the British physicist/psychologist William Stephenson, and is a means by which the human subjectivity can be systematically studied – from poetry and public opinion to public administration and strategic planning.

The Henderson Lecture was founded by the late Dr. Joseph R. Henderson and his wife, Elizabeth, to encourage and recognize original and continuing research and scholarship among Westminster College faculty, and to afford the opportunity for faculty to share their learning with the academic community.

Rhoads, who joined the Westminster faculty in 1992, teaches courses in American politics, political psychology, and popular culture.

Faculty hires

Six joined the Westminster faculty this year:

Dr. Kristin Butterworth, visiting assistant professor of chemistry. She earned an undergraduate degree from Geneva College and master's and Ph.D. from University at Buffalo, State University of New York.

John Garrison, assistant professor and assistant librarian, earned an undergraduate degree from the College of Wooster and a master's in library and information science from the University of Michigan School of Information.

Tina Keller, lecturer of education, earned an undergraduate degree from Messiah College and a master's from Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. Sararose Lynch, assistant professor of education, earned an undergraduate degree from West Virginia Wesleyan College and a master's and Ed.D. from West Virginia University.

Diana Reed moved from head teacher at the Westminster College Preschool Lab to lecturer of education. She has been with Westminster since 1990 and earned her undergraduate degree from Grove City College and a master's from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Rena Zito, assistant professor of sociology, earned undergraduate degrees from the University of Rhode Island and a master's and Ph.D. from North Carolina State University.

New admissions VP named

David J. Rhodes has been named vice president for admissions and financial aid following a national search.

Rhodes, a western Pennsylvania native, has nearly three decades of experience in enrollment management, including more than 15 years at the executive level. He has developed data-driven programs that have produced increases in enrollment, student academic profile, retention and revenues at four different institutions.

Rhodes has served as vice president for enrollment management at Marietta College, Ohio, since 2006. He helped increase Marietta’s academic profile to a 35-year high and also increased total enrollment by 12 percent. Under his leadership, Marietta experienced an increase in its international student population, especially from China and Saudi Arabia.

He served as vice president for enrollment at Oglethorpe College in Atlanta, from 2003-2006 where he helped increase applications by 120 percent and total enrollment by over 30 percent. Rhodes was vice president for enrollment at Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio, from 1995-2003 and helped increase enrollment by 30 percent and raised the academic profile of new students to all-time record levels. He worked at Thiel College from 1983-1995, including serving as director of admissions for nearly four years.

Rhodes earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration/economics from Thiel and a master of business administration from Heidelberg.
When Westminster College was founded in 1852, America was in the midst of enormous change and growth. The Industrial Revolution was impacting the way people worked and lived, and the territorial expansion of the nation meant more opportunities out west. And education was the way for young men and women to get ahead in a country clearly on an upward trajectory.

Just as higher education was key to regional and national competitiveness in the 19th and 20th centuries, the same theory applies today: Education is the pathway to success, although this time in the global economy of the 21st century. And although more than a century has passed since Westminster’s founding, our mission has remained the same: “to help men and women develop competencies, commitments and characteristics which have distinguished human beings at their best.”
And now in 2012, Westminster—on its own upward trajectory in recent years—is aiming for new heights by redefining the liberal arts and experiential education in America.

On Sept. 21, Westminster College launched the public phase of its first comprehensive campaign in nearly 25 years. Ever Higher: The Campaign for Westminster College aims to support the College’s mission and to make the Westminster experience a clear choice for those seeking a quality liberal arts education.

“We have seen increased national recognition for the quality of the education we offer, the human character we develop, and the affordability we maintain,” said Westminster College President Dr. Richard H. Dorman. “Still, we have new heights to reach.”

Westminster entered its quiet phase of the comprehensive campaign two years ago, boldly setting a lofty $40 million goal. Most colleges expect to raise about half of their goal during the quiet phase of the campaign; yet by the public launch in September, Westminster had already raised 91 percent of its goal—$36.4 million in gifts, pledges and bequests.

In November, members of the Westminster College Board of Trustees agreed to increase the goal to $50 million, a figure they feel is attainable with several years left in the campaign.

“Ever Higher is off to a great start and we must build on this momentum to make sure future generations of Westminster students have the opportunity to experience our hallmark interdisciplinary approach to teaching and orientation toward solving real-word problems,” said Thomas Tupitza ’79, chair of the Board of Trustees, adding that Westminster provides students with practical skills necessary to thrive.

“We are not only educating students, we are preparing them to lead lives as responsible and engaged citizens,” he said.

Faculty and staff members understand this mission and have, in turn, responded favorably to the campaign. To date, 75 percent of the faculty and staff—which includes 98 percent of the full-time faculty—have offered gifts and pledges toward the campaign.

Ever Higher touches nearly every aspect of Westminster by drawing on the four initiatives of Westminster’s 10-year strategic plan, Advantage: Westminster—to support Westminster’s people, to enhance the College’s reputation, to remain affordable, and to improve the campus.

The Ever Higher campaign will enable Westminster to achieve those strategic goals and fulfill the mission, Dorman said. The campaign’s priorities include:

• People & Programs: $15 million for endowed scholarships, faculty development, academic program enhancements, and the John & Elizabeth Drinko Center for Experiential Learning

“Increasing our endowment is the highest priority of Ever Higher,” said Dorman. “A robust endowment is one of the most important elements necessary to guarantee our long-term future as a premier teaching institution. Increasing our endowment allows a Westminster education to remain affordable.”

This is our time and our opportunity to elevate Westminster College to greater prominence by investing in our students, faculty, facilities and programs. This is Westminster’s time to rise Ever Higher.

~ Richard H. Dorman
Westminster College President
The Campaign Priorities

The goals of Ever Higher: The Campaign for Westminster College will support Westminster’s strategic initiatives by increasing endowed funds for student scholarships, faculty development, and academic programs, by enhancing facilities, and by strengthening the Westminster Fund.

- **People & Programs**: $15 million for endowed scholarships, faculty development, academic program enhancements, and the John & Elizabeth Drinko Center for Experiential Learning

- **Facility & Campus Improvements**: $21 million for Patterson Hall renovation, Hoyt Science Center renovation, construction of Berlin Village Phase II student townhouses, athletics, and campus landscaping

- **The Westminster Fund**: $8 million in annual gifts to the Westminster Fund scholarship contributions to reduce educational expenses for all students and enhance academic, athletic, and student life programs

- **Legacy Gifts For Our Future**: $6 million in future gifts to endowment through trusts, bequests, charitable gift annuities, and other long-term arrangements to create a permanent donor legacy
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“Westminster has taken great strides in improving the campus over the past decade, but significant enhancements are still necessary,” Dorman said. “While the second phase of the Berlin Village and renovations to Patterson Hall have been completed, additional improvements to Hoyt Science Center, athletic facilities and campus landscaping will ensure the best possible learning and living environment for Westminster students.”

**CAMPAIGN DONOR KICKOFF, Sept. 22:** The Ever Higher campaign was the theme at the annual meeting honoring members of The 1852 Society and The Legacy Society. Above Tom Tupitza ’79, Board of Trustee chair, left; President Dorman, second from left; and Gloria Cagigas, vice president for institutional advancement, far right, welcome new Legacy Honor Roll members, from left, Leonard Carroll, Carol Jean McKenzie ’62, Dave and Robin Willoughby Gooch ’75 ’75, and Larry Ferm ’65. Below, President Dorman lays out the points of the campaign.
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Annual gifts to the Westminster Fund, the College’s annual giving program, provide vital support for student financial aid, academic departments, library resources, and athletic programs, said Gloria Cagigas, vice president for institutional advancement and member of the campaign cabinet.

Nearly 96 percent of Westminster students receive some form of financial aid. To provide the best possible educational experience, Cagigas said, “The Westminster Fund must continue to grow.” Income from tuition covers only about 70 percent of a Westminster education, making scholarship support one of the priorities of the Westminster Fund. Gifts to the fund bridge the gap between what students and families pay and the actual cost of their education.

• **Legacy Gifts For Our Future**: $6 million in future gifts to endowment through trusts, bequests, charitable gift annuities, and other long-term arrangements to create a permanent donor legacy

“Future gifts to the endowment enable individuals of all means to create a permanent and meaningful legacy through the eventual establishment of endowed scholarships and programs,” Cagigas said.

“By participating in the campaign, we can all express our appreciation for the benefits Westminster has brought us,” said Robert Patton ’50, campaign chair and trustee emeritus. “A gift to the campaign will make a lasting difference in the lives of bright, hard-working students and in the future of this extraordinary institution.”

Cagigas agrees.

“This is all about the students and the myriad ways they will benefit from the generosity of our donors,” she said. “We are blessed with loyal alumni, faculty, staff, and friends who choose to make an investment in Westminster’s people and programs. They understand that enriching the lives of our students will pay dividends today and in the future as our students will uplift the lives of people everywhere.”

“This is our time and our opportunity to elevate Westminster College to greater prominence by investing in our students, faculty, facilities and programs,” Dorman said. “This is Westminster’s time to rise Ever Higher.”

► Visit [www.westminster.edu/everhigher](http://www.westminster.edu/everhigher) to learn more and watch for *Ever Higher* campaign updates in future issues of *Westminster Magazine*. 
Early gifts and pledges to *Ever Higher* enabled renovations to be made to Patterson Hall, bringing the outdated multipurpose educational building into the 21st century.

Built in 1966 and known as the Arts and Sciences Building until 1989 when it was renamed in honor of James Patterson, Westminster’s first president, the building was in dire need of classroom and office updates.

While Patterson’s exterior was left nearly untouched, the interior of the new humanities and social sciences building is almost unrecognizable, with revamps made to every floor at the cost of $4,700,000.

“The building we rededicate today is a total retransformation of the original structure,” Dorman said. “Even when it was brand new in the 1960s, the building did not reflect the state of the art environment that it does today.”

Today’s sleek and modern Patterson Hall features technologically-enhanced classrooms, modern offices and meeting spaces for three academic departments, the Drinko Center for Experiential Learning, Orr Auditorium, Beeghly Theatre, Celebrity Series, and the new Debora Foster Art Gallery *(see right)*.

The Foster Art Gallery

For her distinguished services as a member of the Westminster College Board of Trustees and her leadership as Board chair from 2006-2009, Westminster trustees elected to name Patterson’s new art gallery for Debora *Swatsworth* Foster ’74. The Foster Art Gallery, now located in a dedicated enclosed space, hosts six exhibits annually, one of which is a student exhibit in March. The art studios and work space for art studies were relocated to new facilities on the ground floor of Russell Hall.
Gary D. Brown ’71 was a Titan of the basketball court when he was a student at Westminster. The Hall of Famer earned MVP honors, was a two-time all-conference player, and was the leading scorer his junior year. Brown knows the importance athletics can play in student’s college career.

“You come to Westminster for the academics but there is also a great deal of good that comes out of athletics. In my case, it was basketball,” said Brown, who is a current member of the Board of Trustees. “It molds you as a person—the instruction, the discipline and competition, learning to be a good winner and a good loser, and generally how to get along in life.”

Because the Towering Titan Organization (TTO) Endowment Fund only offers support to football and basketball, Brown and members of the TTO Executive Committee felt there was a need to provide support to other athletes in the College’s other 16 varsity programs. Brown stepped forward and offered a significant financial gift to the College, which has, in turn, led to the creation of the All-Titan Endowment Fund.

The new endowment fund will provide supplementing funding to enhance program quality and experience of all Westminster student-athletes,

His reasoning was simple—to extend to others the same opportunities that had meant so much to him.

“Looking back, I can see how much it did for me,” Brown said.

The All-Titan Endowment Fund will offer supplemental support, not serve as a replacement for routine operating funds or include any form of scholarship assistance. For example, the funds might pay for a special item of equipment that will make the team more competitive, an off-season training trip, or some other unique opportunity.

“As a trustee and businessman, I know how important endowed funding is to building and maintaining high-quality programs, said Brown. “And I want every student-athlete in every sport at Westminster to enjoy the same wonderful experiences that I had.”

All gifts and pledges of $250 or more to support the All-Titan Endowment Fund will be recognized by a tree leaf that is engraved with your name or to honor or memorialize family members, friends, classmates or faculty. The tree is located in the lobby area of the Memorial Field House leading to the Fusco Plaza.

Contributions may be paid in a single payment or over two years.

To make a gift to the All-Titan Endowment Fund:

• Go online to http://www.westminster.edu/alumni/gary_brown_fund.cfm. You may make a one-time gift or set up a recurring gift online.

• Call 724-946-7532 to use your credit card.

• Please make checks payable to Westminster College and mail in the enclosed business reply envelope.

Gary Brown’s gift to establish the All-Titan Endowment Fund and its related Challenge is part of the Westminster’s comprehensive campaign, *Ever Higher: The Campaign for Westminster College*, and reflects the important role that high-quality athletic programs play in student development and in the life of the College.
A life in film

Kelly Lake ’11 had an early love for film. Growing up, she spent a lot of her time at a nearby cinema. When she matriculated to Westminster, she elected to be an English major, but it was her minor in film studies that helped grow her true passion.

Over the course of her education at Westminster, she enjoyed film courses taught by Drs. Jeffrey Bersett, Andrew Ade, Suzanne Prestien, and Deborah Mitchell. In her senior year, she wrote film reviews for The Holcad. Her honor’s project—which earned the Capstone Award for best senior project—was a critical study of Pauline Kael, an important and controversial film critic. In addition to her critical essay, the project included Kelly’s movie reviews and critical film essays.

“My educational experience at Westminster definitely prepared me for the rigor of graduate school. I was very fortunate to have the support and encouragement of such excellent faculty, staff, and other students at Westminster. It’s a great place to learn,” she said.

It isn’t surprising, then, that Lake is succeeding in her postgraduate studies at UCLA. In fact, the film and media graduate student recently received the Fred Rogers Memorial Scholarship, a $10,000 educational grant awarded by the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Foundation for “innovative ideas and remarkable dedication to the education and development of children through media.”

She attributes much of her success to her undergraduate years at Westminster, where she learned to actively participate and contribute in class. She has discovered that she is more comfortable in the seminar classes at UCLA than many of her peers. Westminster taught her how to develop skills for discussion, make presentations, and interact with her professors. Students coming from large lecture classes at universities haven’t had the experience of commenting on assignments in class and engaging in discussion, let alone offer presentations in class.

In addition to her graduate courses, Lake found time to serve as co-editor of the digital media section of UCLA’s film journal. In this role, she and her colleague published calls for papers, reviewed submissions, and selected articles for publication. As a script reader for LionsGate studios, she also has the opportunity to read scripts, write synopses, and prepare criticisms of the scripts, which she says there are more “poor scripts than good ones.”

— Dr. Frederick D. Horn
Professor emeritus of English
Each Homecoming kicks off with the presentation of the Alumni Citations, honoring those alumni who have made significant contributions in their professional lives, their communities, or through service to Westminster.

➤ REV. LORA ANNETTE ADAMS-KING ’00, M’07 has devoted her life to serving others as an educator and pastor. She is the superintendent of the Farrell Area School District, where she was an elementary teacher before being promoted to principal of Farrell High School in 2008. She also spent a decade as pastor of Erie Street Church of God in Franklin and serves on many boards and committees in the Shenango Valley.

➤ BETHANN HERVEY DOLAN ’91 embodies the Westminster College mission through her courage, strength, resiliency and desire to help others. In 2006, she was stricken with transverse myelitis, a rare sudden-onset neurological disorder that left her a quadriplegic. With the help of family, friends, and her church, Bethann returned to the classroom as an elementary math teacher in the Hampton School District and inspires students with life lessons about persistence and not letting setbacks keep you down. In addition to being a teacher, she is active with the Elfinwild Presbyterian Church.

➤ DR. DONALD McKIM ’71 is one of the most distinguished scholars and authors in the field of reformed theology. He is executive editor for theology and reference for Westminster John Knox Press in Tennessee and is the author or co-author of many books, including The Authority and Interpretation of the Bible: An Historical Approach that was selected Book of the Year by Eternity magazine and named one of the five best books in religion in the 1980 American Book Awards. He has edited numerous books and published more than 60 articles and book reviews and served on the faculties of six seminaries and colleges.
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undefeated football 1953, 1955, 1956


25th Reunion (1987)

40th Reunion (1971-1973)


5th Reunion (2006-2008)

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1949
James **Boyd** was honored for providing outstanding pro-bono services by the Columbus (Ohio) Bar Association and the Columbus Bar Foundation. Jim and his wife, Joan **Magee Boyd** ’52, recently moved to Willoughby, Ohio.

1958
Gerard **von Broock** works part time as the concierge at Viansa Winery in Sonoma, Calif.

1959
Robert **Palisin** attended the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Summit and Convention in Charlotte, N.C., in July and the Republican National Convention as an alternate delegate from North Carolina in September. He resides in Concord, N.C.

1961
Ronald **Mercer** retired and is residing in Troutman, N.C.

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**Meet me in Montana**

The Galbreath East Wing residents (GEWs) from the Class of 1962 met in August 2011 at the Montana home of Rhudi **Forrest** Miller for their annual reunion. While there, they visited Glacier National Park, Banff, and Lake Louise, Canada. Pictured from left to right are Gayle **Griffin Cramer**, Miller, Kay **Wilson-Hayes**, Debbie **Boyer Steele**, Sueanne **Beveridge**, Janice **Fosler Clark**, and Mary Lu **Boyer Newell**.
Message from Alumni Council

Dear Fellow Westminster Alumni:

I am deeply honored and humbled to serve as the 2012-2013 president for the Westminster College Alumni Association. It is my sincere intention to work hard to enhance your connections with Westminster College and fellow alumni.

Alumni Council has begun implementing its new strategic plan, Building Upon Traditions, Sharing Our Stories. This plan supports the College's strategic plan by working to grow alumni engagement both on and off campus. Working strategically, Alumni Council is developing additional opportunities for alumni to reconnect with each other and the College and to educate current students and young alumni about the role of the Alumni Association and importance of supporting alma mater.

Whether you graduated in 1950 or 2012, we all shared many of the same challenges and experiences while at Westminster. The time you spent on campus has hopefully had a profound effect on your life and the person you are today. Although the physical buildings and appearances of the College have changed, the shared experience and traditions have not. Westminster College is still a truly special place.

As a member of the alumni association you have a role to play, whether it is talking to a high school senior about Westminster or attending a local alumni event. The Alumni Council is asking alumni all over the country to become involved. With more than 16,000 alumni, we can have a profound impact strengthening the Westminster alumni network and supporting students now on campus.

Once again, I am truly honored to serve as president of Alumni Council and look forward to meeting with many of you as we work to make Westminster College an even better place to make memories. I am asking you to get involved. Each one of the 17,005 alumni serves as an ambassador for Westminster College and we all should be proud to represent such a fine institution. I know I am.

Sincerely,

Richard X. McKenna ’84
President, Westminster College Alumni Council

1964
Abigail Stahl McNamee authored two books that were published in 2012: Breathing the Same Air: Children, Schools and Politics in Northern Ireland and Being Puerto Rican and American: Nuyorican Children’s Voices with Suggestions for Discussion with Child Readers. She previously published Belonging to Puerto Rico and America: New York Puerto Rican Children’s Developing Conceptualization of Their Own Cultural Group and Being Puerto Rican and American: Nuyorican Children’s Voices. She has been the chair of the department of early childhood and childhood education at Lehman College, Bronx, N.Y., for 15 years.

1965
Steve Abbey and his wife, Roberta Mumpfer Abbey ’64 are retired. The couple lives in Mentor, Ohio, and enjoy traveling and spending time with their grandchildren.

1967
Robert Unverzagt recently published his first book, A Dozen Roses from God, about Christian marriage. He and his wife, Joanne, have been married 55 years. They live in Mount Joy.

1974
Philip Liu was promoted to associate professor of radiology at Harvard Medical School. He directed a research laboratory at the Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging. He is currently developing magnetic resonance contrast agents for future use in patients with neurological disorders.

1976
Jim Carper was ordained in June as a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Rite in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. He has been assigned to his home parish, St. Peter Claver in Simi Valley, Calif.
1977
The Rev. Kevin Boyd received the Indiana Third District nomination as the Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives. He and his wife, Barbara, reside in Fort Wayne, Ind., where Kevin is pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

1981
William D. Dzuricsko coached the Hickory High School boys track team’s 4 x 100 meter relay team, which won the PIAA AA state championship in 2011 and placed fourth in 2012. Bill is a math teacher at Hickory and resides in Hermitage.

1982
Jason Whitehair is vice president of human resources for LHP Hospital Group, Inc., a privately held health care leader headquartered in Plano, Texas.

Barbara Ernst held a one-woman show of her artwork from May to July at Betty’s Restaurant in Buffalo, N.Y.

1980
Maria Svetina Bayuk teaches second grade in Hubbard, Ohio.

August 1
Pittsburgh
Members of the Pittsburgh Regional Alumni Committee met to plan events for spring and summer 2013. Committee members attending the meeting were Ashley Carnahan ’09, Barbara Braden Guffey ’70, Zach Marsh ’09, Rich McKenna ’84, Phil Petraglia ’83, Becky Rickard ’98, Melissa Rueffle Spencer ’98, Jan Twaddle ’74, and Mandie Zoller ’09. Unable to attend the meeting, but also serving on the Pittsburgh committee are Andrew Anthony ’11, Jennifer Lucas Bridge ’96, Jim Giel ’74, Melissa Rea Goda ’99, Molly Harbst ’98, and Leanne Onorato ’98. Thanks to all our committee members and watch for some great Pittsburgh-area alumni events.

September 5
New Wilmington
Members of the Lawrence-Mercer and Clarion Regional Alumni Committee met in Wiley Alumni House to plan events for fall 2012 and spring/summer 2013. Committee members attending the meeting were Sara Surgenor Arblaster ’02, Barbara Jamieson Brown ’67, Todd Cole ’83, Karen Campman Emmett ’75 (chair), Roberta Laird ’76, Judy Wiles Rorabaugh ’76, Marjorie Fechtmann Slonaker ’85, and Pete Slonaker ’85. Unable to attend the meeting, but also serving on the committee are Laura Ceraolo Kubyako ’75, Kimberly Reash MacBeth ’82, Briana Palko Proudfoot ’03, Erin Anderson Schuetz ’96, Dyan Chupak Sowers ’02, Michelle France Smargiassi ’09, Amy Whiting ’08, and Erinn Coccia Wolfe ’03. Thanks to all our committee members and look for some great upcoming Lawrence-Mercer and Clarion-area alumni events.

Watch for more information for upcoming events in the following areas:

Sunday, December 2: Christmas Vespers dinner for Lawrence-Mercer and Clarion and Youngstown alumni and all parents of current students. The dinner will be held in the John S. Witherspoon Room of the McKelvey Campus Center.

Saturday, December 8: A special tour of Kraynak’s holiday display in Sharon for Westminster alumni, families and friends.


April 2013: Harrisburg-area alumni gathering hosted by Judd McConnell ’55 and Peggy Edmunds McConnell ’55.

Sunday, April 7: Tampa/St. Petersburg dinner cruise with Board of Trustee member and alumnus host Keith McCauley ’68. Please contact Keith at (330) 465-0181 for additional information.

For more information about an upcoming regional event or to host an event in your area, please contact Cindy Dafler ’03 at (724) 946-7373 or daflercs@westminster.edu.

Regional Connections

1982 teammates on deck
Members of the 1982 baseball team (27-8), which held the record for most season victories until the 2012 team won 28 games, reunited on Westminster’s campus recently. Pictured in front from left are Coach Scott “Scooter” Renninger, Rick Mazzei ’83, Scott Higgins ’84, Rob Martinez ’83, and Mark Conway ’83. In back from left are Greg Mencini ’84, Brian Kinky ’83, Scott Kinky ’83, Scott Gongaware ’82 and Marty Kennedy ’84.
1984
Theodore Martin was awarded a doctor of ministry degree from the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. His project was “Living the Faith Beyond Confirmation Class: A Theological Lab for High School Students and Mentors.” Ted lives in Gibsonia.

1986
Beckie Harriger Erwin is the marketing specialist for St. Paul’s, A Continuing Care Community in Greenville. She and her husband, Shaun Erwin ’88, a senior systems analyst programmer with Werner Co., reside in Greenville. They have two children, Landis and Garrett.

1987
Darren Guido was named the 2013 Middle Level Principal of the Year for Delaware. Darren is in his ninth year as principal of Central Middle School in Dover, Del., where he also was associate principal for five years and a social studies teacher for eight years. He resides in Dover.

1988
Mark Slezak was named Co-Head Track Coach of the Year by the Pennsylvania Track Association with Barb Dzuricsko, wife of William Dzuricsko ’81.

Denise Stone DeMasi earned a master of science degree in educational administration from the University of Scranton in May 2012. She also was named the 2012 Teacher of the Year for Taylor Street School in Washington, N.J., where she is a kindergarten teacher. She also assists the administrative team as the 504 case manager for grades PreK to second grade. She and her husband, Scott, reside in Bethlehem, with their two children, Katie and Anthony.

1991
Lynn Ulatowski earned a Ph.D. in nutrition from Case Western Reserve University, where she is currently a post-doctoral scholar. She also serves as an adjunct professor of biology at Mount Union University. Lynn lives in South Euclid, Ohio.

1992
Traci Ciepiela was included in John Willis’ book Women Warriors, which features stories written by female law enforcement officers from around the country. Traci is a road deputy for Texas County (Wyo.) Sheriff’s Department as well as an assistant professor of criminal justice/sociology at Western Wyoming Community College in Rock Springs, Wyo., where she resides.

1995
Greg Hoy relocated to San Francisco where he helps lead design hiring for Facebook.

Richard Sterba is a principal in the Washington, D.C., office of Fish & Richardson P.C., where he specializes in intellectual property litigation in federal district courts and the U.S. International Trade Commission. He recently completed a one-year term as president of the Giles S. Rich American Inn of Court and was named the 2012 International Trade Rising Star by Law360. He resides in Alexandria, Va., with his wife, Anne Kummer Sterba and their two children, Elizabeth and Andy.

1997

Jason Kalajainen was named creative director of the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation’s artists residency program on Captiva Island, Fla.
Sara Rothenberger is the director of residential education and living at Connecticut College in New London Conn.

1996
Classmates Amanda McFadden and Laura Zorch and have collaborated with two other women on the book, Food Lovers’ Guide to Pittsburgh.

2007
John Barley earned a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in June 2012. He is continuing his medical training in family medicine at Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News, Va.

1996
Classmates Amanda McFadden and Laura Zorch and have collaborated with two other women on the book, Food Lovers’ Guide to Pittsburgh.

2010
Emily Dressler is a Pennsylvania State Trooper in the patrol unit at the Troop J Avondale Barracks in Chester County. She graduated from the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey in January 2012.

2011
Leigha Krivacek is a sales coordinator and analyst for Life of the South, a Fortegra company in Jacksonville, Fla., where she earned her Lean Six Sigma green belt certification.

Turning 40
In late July, friends from the Class of 1994 vacationed with their families at Yosemite National Park in California and celebrated their 40th birthdays. In front from left are Hope Kleman Lucas, Betsy Bihn Eckerdt and Christa Holm, with Kelly Brautigam in the back.

Council brunch
Alumni Council member and alumna hostess Karen Campman Emmett ’75 greeted local alumni from the Lawrence-Mercer and Clarion areas at a June 9 brunch on campus. Twenty-seven alumni and guests attended the event. Chelsi Cannon ’12, recent past-president of Student Alumni Association, was the featured speaker. Chelsi updated the group on student life, academics and activities and what was new on campus. Members of the Lawrence-Mercer and Clarion Regional Alumni Committee attending were Sara Surgenor Arblaster ’02, Laura Ceraolo Kubyako ’75, Marie Nicholas Peterson ’51, Judy Wiles Rorabaugh ’76, Marjorie Fechtman Slonaker ’85, and Peter Slonaker ’84.

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Meet your Alumni Council

Alumni Council kicked off the year Saturday, Sept. 8, 2012, welcoming new members and learning about current campus activities from Westminster executive staff during a State of the College session. Council committees met to discuss homecoming and reunion festivities, new alumni networking opportunities and alumni accomplishments.

This year’s current members are:
Rich McKenna ’84, President
Ashley Carnahan ’09, Vice President
Zach Beresh ’02
Amy Dietrich Bonnar ’94
Chris Borsani ’04
Ray Cebula ’66
Lindsay Painter Coulter ’06
Ralph Disce ’74
Karen Campman Emmett ’75
Travis Gulling ’10
Jordan Hinds ’06
Beau Hollowell ’02
Sally Keener Huey ’74
Janice Jeletic ’80
Akesha Nicole Joseph ’08
Ryan Kirk ’09
Lee Knight ’07
Brian Kocian ’03
Michelle Landers ’91
Deborah Lechien ’71
Jesse Ligo ’82
Rich Mills Jr. ’76
Russ Mills ’05
Sherris Moreira ’97
Brenda Pawk Oman ’80
Dennis Schotsch ’75
Lee Scott ’07
Alex Scull ’12
Meredith Vance Shafer ’94
Harry Smith ’66
Dan Vogler ’81
Lisa Warjofchik ’84

Student Representatives:
Tawni Darby ’13
Dan Matt ’13

New members to Alumni Council are, from left, Lindsay Painter Coulter ’06, Lee Knight ’07, Deborah Lechien ’71, Sherris Moreira ’97, Meredith Vance Shafer ’94 and Ryan Kirk ’09. Not pictured are Akesha Joseph ’08, Brenda Pawk Oman ’88 and Alex Scull ’12.

Call for volunteers
A call for Westminster volunteers!
The Alumni Office is looking to add regional alumni volunteers to committees for the following cities: Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, D.C., Columbus and New York City/Northern New Jersey areas. Please contact Cindy Dafler ’03 at (724) 946-7373 or daflercs@westminster.edu for more information and if you are interested in serving.

A day at the aquarium
Seventy-two alumni and guests from the Akron-Canton and Cleveland areas enjoyed touring the newly opened Greater Cleveland Aquarium on June 3. Attendees enjoyed an educational program and refreshments and were updated on Westminster happenings by Mary Cooley James ’84, director of alumni relations. Members of the Akron-Canton-Cleveland Regional Alumni Committee attending were Mike Burnett ’01, Ginny Holland Frazer ’64, Lissa Lauffer Martell ’90, Bobbi Navarra ’78, Judith Palagallo Price ’69, and Kathy Orr Venema ’73.
Call for Nominations

Recognizing Accomplished Alumni
Think of the Westminster alumni you know. What contributions are they making to their profession, in their community, or to their alma mater? Some may be very visible, others behind the scenes. There are many alumni worthy of recognition, and the Alumni Council encourages fellow alumni to help identify accomplished alumni for recognition through the presentation of Westminster Alumni Citations and the Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Nominations are confidential and remain active for five years.

Serve on the Westminster Alumni Council
Alumni Council members work to engage fellow alumni in a variety of events and activities while serving as ambassadors for Westminster and key volunteers for the alumni office. Do you know someone willing to support Westminster and alumni activities in a leadership role, returning to campus to work with fellow alumni, students and faculty? Please nominate him or her for consideration to serve a four-year term. Nominations are confidential and remain active for three years.

To submit nominations, please include your statement of nomination and nominee's biographical information. Additional support materials including articles, videos or other documents to support your nomination are encouraged. Nominations are kept confidential.

Alumni are welcome to submit nominations for service on the Westminster College Board of Trustees. Nominations by be submitted to the Office of Alumni Relations or directly to JoeAnn Miller in the President’s Office at millerja@westminster.edu.

Find information to:

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Westminster College
319 S. Market St.
New Wilmington, PA, 16172

Fax:
(724) 946-7366

Email:
alumni@westminster.edu

On the web:
An online nomination form is available on the Alumni Relations web page at www.westminster.edu.

For more information, call the Office of Alumni Relations at (724) 946-7364.

Chocolate lovers
Alumni host Tom English ’87, right, welcomed Columbus-area alumni and their guests to his shop, Schakolad Chocolate Factory, on June 16. The evening including learning about—and sampling—a variety of chocolate, touring the factory, and enjoying refreshments of chocolates and wine. Fifty-two guests were in attendance.

With Westminster alumni living across the world and the Internet connecting them, it is easier than ever to stay in touch, network with fellow alumni, and get the latest Westminster news. Westminster can be found on the following social networking sites, so log on and stay connected!

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facebook
www.westminster.edu/facebook

twitter
www.twitter.com/westminsterpa

LinkedIn
www.westminster.edu/linkedin

Google+
www.westminster.edu/gplus
Presbyterians unite

Westminster alumni attending the 220th PCUSA General Assembly in Pittsburgh and local Pittsburgh alumni gathered for lunch at the Doubletree Hotel Pittsburgh City Center on July 5. Thirty-eight alumni attended and heard an update from Westminster President Dr. Richard Dorman. Alumni delegates represented various regions of the country.

Mission accomplished

Thirty alumni and guests attending the New Wilmington Mission Conference gathered for a dessert reception at the home of President Rick Dorman and his wife, Bev, on July 24. Pictured here are Dave Dawson ’69, Ross Slaughter ’81, Marla Patchel, and Lou Hopkins. The reception followed an evening conference session.

2013 Concert Choir Tour Schedule:

- Friday, January 4: 6 p.m. Concert, Maximo Presbyterian Church, St. Petersburg, FL
- Sunday, January 6: 11 a.m. Worship, 2 p.m. Concert, Church of the Palms, Sarasota, FL
- Monday, January 7: 7 p.m. Concert, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, Dunedin, FL (near Clearwater)
- Tuesday, January 8: 7 p.m. Concert, First Presbyterian Church, Lakeland, FL
- Wednesday, January 9: 5:15 p.m. Church Dinner, 6:15 p.m. Concert, Shandon Presbyterian Church, Columbia, SC
Each summer, Westminster alumni volunteers open the doors to their homes to welcome incoming new students. This year four Westminster Welcome Open Houses were held for members of the Class of 2016 and their parents.

**Pittsburgh: July 22**
Peter Herchenroether ’76 and Susan Suomi Herchenroether ’77 hosted a Pittsburgh-area open house for Class of 2016 students and their parents. In attendance were alumni Micah Delo ’06 and Zach Marsh ’09. The Herchenroethers have hosted open houses for seven consecutive years.

**Pittsburgh: July 22**
Glenn Thompson ’68 and Linda Stephenson Thompson ’70 hosted a Butler area open house for students and parents in their home in Meridian. Other Westminster attendees included Melissa Ruefle Spencer ’98, current student and Student Alumni Association member Maura Hunter ’14, and Westminster College Director of Athletics Jim Dafler. This is the sixth year that the Thompsons have opened their home to future Westminster alumni.

**New Wilmington: July 28**
Pete Slonaker ’84 and Marjorie Fechtmann Slonaker ’85 hosted students and parents from the Lawrence and Mercer counties and eastern Ohio areas. Other Westminster attendees greeting students were: Dr. David Twining, professor of history; current student Joe Ligo ’14; and alumni Todd Cole ’83; and Jesse Ligo ’82, professor of accounting, and his wife, Amy Klipa Ligo ’84. This was the second time the Slonakers hosted.

**Gibsonia: August 5**
Students from Westminster’s Class of 2016 and their parents from the Pittsburgh area were hosted by Phil Petraglia ’83 and his wife, Ginny, in their home in Gibsonia. Also in attendance were Erin Dowling Middleton ’82 and Melissa Wiley ’00. This was the second time the Petraglias hosted.
WEDDINGS

1993

2002
Renee Mele and Ken Croisetiere, Oct. 15, 2011, at the Sacred Heart Church in Shadyside. Their reception was held at PPG Aquarium in Pittsburgh. Kelly Coldren ’02 was a bridesmaid. Renee is a second grade teacher for Prince William County Public Schools. The couple resides in Gainesville, Va.

2005
Brooke Arens and Jeremy Lopuch, Aug. 27, 2011, in Lake Lure, N.C. She earned as MSW from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in 2007 and is a social worker at the Department of Social Services. The couple resides in Charlotte.

2008

Rebecca Cramer and Stephen Kupiec, June 23, 2012, in an outdoor ceremony at The Mansion in Butler. Rachel Cramer ’09 was maid of honor. Alumni in attendance were Darcee Davidson Lyons, Julie Kepins Fikejs, A.J. Fikejs, and John Cochran. Rebecca is enrolled in the diagnostic medical sonography program at the Community College of Allegheny County. The couple lives in Butler.

Brittany McKee and Garrett Horvath, Sept. 3, 2011, in Wallace Memorial Chapel at Westminster College. Members of the bridal party included Terese Marszalek, Jessica Kausits, Jessica Robinson Atwood ’06, best man Keith “J.R.” Little, Todd Atwood ’07, Andrew Saporito, Tyson Scott, Alexander McLuckey, Chris Dymond, Aaron Schade, and Justin Rivas ’09. More than 30 Westminster alumni, faculty and staff were in attendance.

Carsen Nesbitt and Steven Ruperto, May 12, 2012, at the First Presbyterian Church of Allsion, N.Y. Ashley Ray Sharek, Hollyann Leach, and Brittany Rosko were bridesmaids, while Jeremy Lawler, Ryan Kirk ’09, and Lee Scott ’07 were groomsmen. In total, 20 Westminster alumni were in attendance. The couple resides in Erie where Carsen is a labor and employment attorney with Knox McLaughlin Gornall and Sennett and Steven is an international financial analyst with General Electric.

WEDDING ALBUM

Renee Mele ’02 and Ken Croisetiere

Brooke Arens ’05 and Jeremy Lopuch

Brittany McKee ’08 and Garrett Horvath ’08

Jessica Hinz ’08 and Lance Taylor

Rebecca Cramer ’08 and Stephen Kupiec

Carsen Nesbitt ’08 and Steven Ruperto ’08

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1995
► Stacey Box: a daughter, Bethany Margaret, on Sept. 8, 2011. Stacey and her daughter reside in Enola.

1996

1998
► Megan McCaskey Warzinski and her husband, Doug: a daughter, Emma, on Dec. 13, 2011. She joins big sister Sarah at home in McDonald.
► Aimee Saginaw Engleka and her husband, Joel: a son, Parker Joel, on April 29, 2011. Parker joins big sister Isabelle at home in Gibsonia.

1999

2000
► Daniel Harding and his wife, Hillary: a daughter, Emily Claire, on June 15, 2012. Emily joins big sister Brianna. Dan is a global compensation and benefits manager for The Coca-Cola Company. The family resides in Marietta, Ga.
► Jennifer Petrock Raspanti and her husband, David: a son, Luca David, on July 6, 2012. Luca joins big brother Vincent at home in Poland, Ohio.

2002
► Necole Corvino Tibolla and her husband, Brian: a daughter, Sophia Grace, on April 5, 2011. The family resides in Raleigh, N.C.
► Kate McKenzie Gatto and her husband, Shawn: a daughter, Brooke McKenzie, on April 14, 2012. In May 2012, Kate earned a doctor of science in information systems and communications from Robert Morris University where she is the manager of major gifts. The family resides in Mt. Lebanon.
► Meghan Wilson Cowart and her husband, Joseph: a son, Colt Jesse, on April 25, 2012. Meghan is a first grade teacher in the Hermitage School District. The family resides in New Castle.
► Kylee Young Romeo and her husband, Michael Romeo: a son, Michael Ryan Jr., on June 6, 2012. The family resides in Poland, Ohio.

NEW ADDITIONS
INFORMATION UPDATE

Have you moved, changed phone numbers, or do you have some news about yourself or your family that you want to share with other Westminster alumni? Fill out the form below and return it to the Wiley Alumni House – Updates, Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA 16172-0001.

Today's Date _____________

Name ___________________________________________ Maiden Name _____________________ Class __________________

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City ___________________________ State _______ Zip__________ _______

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Name of Employer _____________________________________________

City ___________________________ State _______ Zip__________ _______

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Spouse's Name ___________________________ Spouse's Westminster Class __________________________

Children's Names and Birth Dates _____________________________________________

Here's my news: _____________________________

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PHOTOS:

We are happy to publish photos of alumni and future Titans. Please follow these guidelines when submitting photos for publication.

Photographic prints: We accept all sizes of photographs, but prefer them to be at least 4x6 inches in size. Both color and black and white prints are acceptable.

Digital Photos: To submit a digital photo, attach it to an email message addressed to alumni@westminster.edu. Please note that we require high-resolution files (a minimum of 300 pixels per inch or 300 dpi when sized to about 3 inches wide). Photos that have a lower resolution are usually not acceptable. Digital photos should be saved in JPEG or TIFF format.

Deadlines: Because Westminster Magazine is published only three times a year, significant lead time is required. Items appearing in this issue were submitted to the publications office prior to Aug. 17. Class Notes received on or before Nov. 30, 2012, should appear in the next issue.
Word has reached us of the passing of the following alumni and friends of Westminster College. To submit information for the In Memory section, please provide a complete obituary notice (if available) to the Office of Alumni Relations.

**ALUMNI**

Louise Studebaker Humphrey ’33 of Longwood, Fla., April 8, 2012.
Chauceney H. Dean ’48 of Huber Heights, Ohio, June 23, 2011.
Mary Coates Peterson ’48 of Winter Park, Fl., April 6, 2009.
Irene Masquelier Byler ’49 of New Wilmington, July 17, 2012.
Fran Davenport Moser ’51 of Coraopolis, June 23, 2012.
Fred H. Navarra ’51 of New Wilmington, July 24, 2012.
Barbara Williams Weiss ’52 of Vienna, Va., May 2, 2012.
Robert N. Roskos ’54 of Danville, Calif., Nov. 16, 2011.
David A. Weaver ’62 of Hatboro, April 8, 2012.
Dorothy Yaksich Pilgrim M’65 of Youngstown, Ohio, June 10, 2012.
Nancy Starr Germaine ’68 of Madison, Ohio, Aug. 5, 2012.
Ron Morris ’71 of Presto, June 6, 2012.
Deborah Marsh Miller ’74 of Kutztown, Aug. 22, 2011.
Thomas L. Price ’74 of Youngstown, Ohio, June 4, 2012.
Sharon L. Augustine ’81 of Cranberry Township, Dec. 6, 2011.

**FRIENDS**

Blanche Null Welsh of Richland Township, April 19, 2011.

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**Jack B. Hoey H’05**

Aug. 13, 2012

Jack B. Hoey of Hilton Head, S.C., former chair of the Westminster College Board of Trustees, was a retired president and CEO of The Peoples Natural Gas Company. Born in Murrysville, Pa., he earned his undergraduate degree from the College of William and Mary. He continued his studies at the University of Pittsburgh, The Pennsylvania State University, Columbia University, Harvard University, and the American Management Association. He was a member of the Westminster College Board of Trustees from 1981-88, serving as chair from 1984-87. Westminster College awarded him an honorary doctorate in 2005. Although Hoey retired in 1988, he remained active with Pioneers, a missionary organization. He traveled extensively in support of missionaries and Christian mission organizations worldwide, but focused his efforts on India, where Pioneers has established more than 300 congregations.
Jeffers Hall, located “up on the hill” adjacent to Hillside, was constructed in 1940. The new hall was named for the Rev. Eliakim Tupper “E.T.” Jeffers, Westminster’s third (1872-1883) and youngest president who was remembered as a “polished gentleman, a brilliant scholar, and a man of excellent character and winning personality.” In the spring of 1940, J.S. Mack, McKeesport businessman, offered to pay for the construction of a cooperative dormitory. Built for men who couldn’t afford the regular tuition fee, the 43 resident freshmen were expected to maintain the building and cook their own meals. Jeffers cost $35,000 to build, was practical and had no frills. The building was nearly completed when Mack died suddenly on Sept. 27, 1940. It was dedicated just a month later on Oct. 28, 1940, with Mack’s widow attending the ceremony. In 1943, the 3324th Service Unit of the Army Student Training Program (ASTP) arrived with 300 cadets, some of whom lived at Jeffers. They ate at Browne Hall and attended regular college classes. Today Jeffers provides housing for 24 students.

~ Compiled by Dorothy Pollock ’46
We raise a toast of thanks to our generous alumni and friends who believe that the dream of a Westminster education should be available for all who are deserving. By establishing an endowed scholarship, you are ensuring that Westminster’s high-quality, private, liberal arts education remains affordable for all. We thank you.

To learn more about establishing an endowed scholarship at Westminster, please contact Sue Rudloff at (724) 946-7673 or rudlofse@westminster.edu.
Wear your Titan colors with pride January 21 in honor of the founding of Westminster in 1852.

Show your Titan Pride by wearing your favorite Westminster hoodie, T-shirt, or hat, or by proudly using your Westminster coffee mug at work, or flying a Westminster banner. In short, just display that White and Blue!

Get together with Westminster friends and share your Titan Pride together!

Share pictures of yourself or with a group of Westminster friends showing off your White and Blue at www.facebook.com/westminsterpa

Send your pictures to the Office of Alumni Relations for use on the website and in Westminster Magazine.

Watch your email and the Westminster Weekly for news of a special day for online shopping at the Titan Gift Shop (with a reduced rate for alumni!) to stock up on Westminster gear and goodies.