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Council approves Westmar buildings price cut....

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List Prices on three former Westmar College buildings have been cut by 80 percent. The LeMars City Council approved the reduction in list prices on the now-empty Kime Science Center, Charles Mock Library and Centennial Dormitory this week.

The three buildings are in southern LeMars along 10th St. SE and 3rd Ave SE.

The Kime building is now listed at \$50,000; the Library at \$40,000 and the dormitory at \$30,000. Council members also indicated the new prices are negotiable and spoke of a willingness to sell to the right buyer for \$1.00.

There is a deadline involved: each of the buildings is slated to be torn down in the next five years. Centennial is to be cleared of salvageable material and prepared for demolition this year then razed in 2012, according to city staff plans. Kime Science Center is to be torn down in 2014 and the Charles Mock Library in 2016.

Wafa Board of Directors

The Wafa board met on April 18, 2011 at the Plymouth County Museum.

The office is working to continually update the databases and provide information for those requesting it.

Committees are hard at work at the Westmar park, working on display and now working to put the VHS game tapes onto CD's. **Volunteers** are always welcome for the many projects we have on our lists. The CDs can be used at reunions and special gatherings.

Reunion committees are hard at work and will also be looking for volunteers.

The college is the people and the memories—not always the buildings and the place.

Westmar Memorial Park



Westmar Volunteers work to beautify our park. New plantings are made and they hope to add new benches along the sidewalk with the help of donations. The benches are steel and match those used by the city in other parks in the area and the downtown. Donations in any amount are most welcome and can be sent to the Wafa office. Donors may be listed in a later edition. Address on back.

Ghost Stories

We understand there were *ghosts* at Westmar and we want to hear about them!!! We like to do a story about them this fall. Let us know what *YOU* know.

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Bricks and Mortar and More

“This Old House” By Dr. Wayne Marty

(map illustration on page 5)

During the first half of the Westmar history, the campus boundaries were relatively stable at a campus size of four blocks. Following WWII (1945) additional property was acquired that provided space for the GI “Huts”, Memorial and Koehler dorms, Eastview Apartments, and the Library. During this postwar, 15 year, period there were also six “across the street” homes that were acquired. All of these were wood frame homes so there is a slight deviation from the “Bricks and Mortar” theme of this series. These homes on the periphery of the campus provided versatile space and could be reassigned as needed to provide faculty housing, student housing or even assigned for limited or special academic use. Obtaining accurate information about the history and use of these houses has been difficult because they usually were not “headline” facilities that showed up in the yearbooks and Gleams but they were very important for significant or short periods of time.

Two houses east of the “on campus” football field were acquired in 1946 and were located on the unpaved portion of 3rd Ave SE that connected the gym to the south 12th street boundary of the 4 block campus. In the 50's and early 60's the two houses were the homes for the families of Richard Skinner, Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds (daughter, JoAnn Skinner Schleis, our Wafa Communications Director), lived in #1 house from 1959 to 1962, Merlin Dipert, Mathematics Professor, Harold Brady, Registrar, Clayton Feis, Business Professor and perhaps others. The houses became student residences for one or more years in the mid 60's. Mrs. Clayton Feis recalls that their house (#2) where they lived from 1957 to 1963 was burned and used for LeMars Fire Dept. training after they moved out. #1 was also removed in the 60's to provide space for the construction of the Centennial Men's Dorm.

The Thornton House (#3) on 2nd Ave. SE was acquired in 1954. The name may be related to the Thornton Family from Montana. At least four members of that family attended Western Union College in the 30's and 40's. It was used as a piano teaching studio for Frank Jewett and Faculty housing for the families of Jim Zottnick, (Education) ('58-'59), Ted Rebstock, (Chemistry) ('59-'64), and Alice Kruse, (English), (basement '59). Married students, Don and Marilyn Birmingham lived in the basement for a short time and

some women students used the space in the early '60s. For 10 years ('65-'75) Freddie Goodchild, (Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds) and family lived in the house with their five children and for some of the time they also housed two nephews as part of the family. When the Goodchild's moved to the Bachman House (#5) the Thornton House was sold to Westmar faculty member, Jan Heckroth, (Home Economics). Although now privately owned, it changed ownership a number of times within the Westmar Family – Patrick (English) and his wife Chris (nurse) White, and Charles and Mary (Chaplain) Pope. Several private title changes have occurred since the Pope occupancy.

The Schulenburg House (#4) history is best described as “mysteries and maybes”. The house was acquired by the college in 1947 and in the early '50s was occupied by the Francis Boelter (Religion) family. It may have been used for student housing during the later '50s. Rebstocks, as neighbors in the Thornton house, remember married students Paul and Beverly Bailey as residents in '62-'63, followed by faculty member Oscar Schinkle (Sociology) and family. Some think it was used for faculty offices and for the campus nursing facility (maybe with Gertrude Zinn as the nurse) for some years and probably used for student housing in the early '70s. The origin of the Schulenburg name is not known and knowledge of its past use is shaky but its current use has been certain and constant since 1975 when it was purchased from the college by the Tim and Jane Clarey family who reside in it to this day.

The Bachman House (#5) probably named in honor of Walter E. Bachman, President of York College from '47 to '53, was acquired from the Sumner Koch family in 1962. Nancy Blumer Anderson was one of the eleven senior girls that moved in for the '62-'63 year. Others were Karen Schultz, Kathy Paetznick, Gertrude Meneff, Beth Fiend, Norma Pickett, Beverly Sol, Arlene Hett, Karen Ferguson, Delilah Reeken and Ardeth Mason. It is reported that a major criteria for selection was “the girls must have out of state boyfriends and/or not be a part of the local dating scene,” These houses were not built to be student housing. Nancy reports that some of the main floor pocket doors had broken “stops: and when the MEN IN THE HOUSE alarm was sounded, the sliding doors were rapidly closed but would sometimes fly on by the stopping point leaving the young ladies more exposed than desired. By '64-'65 the Bachman house had changed to Men's housing. About '70, the house became the location

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Alumni News

'55 –

Arthur E. Angove, D.O. General Surgeon, Ret., writes that he and Dale F. Andres, D.O., Dir. At Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa, attended the Des Moines University board of trustees retreat in Longboat Key, FL in March 2011. Both are alumnus of Westmar.

'59 –

Stanley Sprik is now retired after 44 years of teaching/principalship. (in MN)

'61 –

Janet Smock/Hilty has 3 children, four grandchildren and is enjoying retired life in Northern Arizona outside of Sedona.

'62 –

Lee M. Wiersma was married to Linda, on July 9th, 2010. She is a 4th grade teacher and was elected Teacher of the Year from Region Two in Kansas. He is serving as custodian at the Paola United Methodist Church and delivery driver for AuBurn Pharmacy.

Special note: In regard to Weidler Hall, he was on the crew of students who cleaned and waxed the floor in the dining room!

'68 –

Richard (Dick) Throckmorton has retired effective July 2010 from Lockheed Martin Co. after 24 years in Contract Administration.

'68—Marlys Garness is a retired music teacher and long term care activity director. She has published books of poems and is a presenter for Grandma G's Ministry. She is also an organist for Faith United Methodist Church in Waseca, MN

'71 –

Nancy Holmes O'Brien has taught pre-school through fourth grade but

is currently (still!) teaching first grade. Has 2 daughters, 1 grandson and 1 new baby on the way.

'76 –

Kevin Hanson and wife Debra (Wellmerling '79) have been living in Arlington, TX since 1984. He recently retired from retail assembly after more than 24 yrs. He started up his own business in automotive custom accessories-making billet aluminum bumper plates and door sills, stainless illuminated door sills, chrome mesh grills with options for powder coating and polishing for the Trailblazer SS. Deb is currently a supervisor with Davita RX. Son Skyler is a Jr. at Seguin HS and playing varsity basketball as well as AAU. Deb still has the farm in Rembrandt where I go back on occasion to help out with the crops.

'77 –

Kreg Klaver writes that he teaches algebra at Roland-Story Middle School, is the Middle School Athletic Director and High School Boys basketball coach. (Iowa)

'83 –

Joe Wurzer is enjoying the Southern California life. He works in Health-care Software Sales.

'85 –

Jan Heimgartner is a 1st grade teacher at Hinton Community Schools. (Iowa)

Reunion Dates

July 15-17: 80's Decade

Sept 17-17: 50-Year reunion of the Class of 1961 (including '59-'63)

2012 - 90's Decade plans being made.

See our website for more information and registration.

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Board meetings for the rest of 2011 will be held on July 18, and Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Plymouth County Historical Museum's Welcome Room. All members are encouraged to participate in whatever way they can.

Don't forget to visit the website

Kairong Liu '85



Bertrand Russell by Kairong Lui

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Kairong Liu came to the United States from mainland China in 1981. Born in 1958, he began studying art at a young age in his home city of Wuhan, Hubei, where his parents were both medical doctors. Before emigrating, he worked for two years as a graphic artist for Hubei Forest Machine Company. In America he received his Bachelor of Art at Westmar College in LeMars, IA. He then went on to receive his Masters of Fine Arts from the University of South Dakota in 1988. Since settling in the Twin Cities, Kai has taught many private painting workshops, has instructed at the Minnetonka Center for the Art, and has taught classes at Edina and Bloomington Art Centers. Kai has captured countless scenes of the surrounding states and says there is always beauty to be found in the most mundane or unexpected places and tries to reveal that in his paintings. He especially loves to paint outdoors. His work has been collected by Mayo Clinic, Cargill, Midwest Federal Reserve Bank, and many other local businesses and private collectors. Recently, Kai was commissioned to do a piece by the First Lady of Minnesota, Mrs. Pawlenty. He has two pieces of his work currently hanging in the Governors mansion in St. Paul Minnesota.

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Alumni Deaths

Western Union

Class of '34:

Margaret W Hoomeman, age 97, of Ft. Myers, FL, and formerly of LeMars, died peacefully Jan 29, 2011, at the Shell Point Retirement Community in Ft. Myers following a brief illness. A Celebration of Life Service will take place this summer in LeMars. Her husband Morse predeceased her, was a County Attorney in LeMars, and a member of the class of '31. At 82 years of age Margaret, a 9th grade English teacher for over 40 years decided that she should turn Charles Dickens' "Great Expectations" into a musical. At 96 years of age her dream was realized and the full-fledged production had its opening on July 9th and was shown from July 1st – August 28, 2010 at the Utah Shakespearean Festival in Cedar City, Utah, Randall L. Jones Theatre. Many people had a part in making this happen for Margaret including her grandson, television writer and producer Brian VanderWilt. His credits include Ellen, Home Improvement, and Dark Angel. He and co-writer Steven Lozier, producer and managing director of Moving Arts, a theater company based in L.A. helped refine the 200-plus page manuscript into a more workable length.

Class of '38:

Kermit Parks, 95, of Webster, SD died on Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at Bethesda Home in Webster. Burial will be at Prairie Mound Cemetery, Butler. His wife was Vera (Wilson) Parks '67.

Class of '46:

Jacob Lester (Les) Foreman passed away Jan. 5, 2011 in Memphis, TN. He was raised in northwest Iowa on the family farm. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps during WWII and became a B-24 pilot. After the war he entered Westmar College and received his BA degree. He obtained his MA and his Doctorate of Education. His teaching career lasted 45 years and he taught every level from elementary country school to graduate courses. He was also very active in civic organizations and did extensive traveling after retirement. While at Westmar he was on the football team.

'46

Ardis M. Karlson, 86, of Kingsley, died Feb 12, 2011 at the Kingsley Nursing and Rehabilitation Center. She continued her education at Iowa State University earning a degree in dietetics. Her career took her to Philadelphia and then to Pittsburg until she retired to Kingsley in 1980 to care for her mother. She was co-owner of the Pizza Hut in Kingsley. She is survived by a niece, nephew and close friend.

York:

Rev. Paul S. Deever '50, passed on Aug. 14, 2010 in Olathe, KS. He served as pastor for over 50 years in churches across the state of Kansas. He also held administrative office in both the Kansas East and Kansas West Conferences of the United Methodist Church, served as a hospital chaplain, a police chaplain, provided prison ministry and lead several overseas tours to the Holy Land. His survivors include wife Scotty (Clarolynn Meeker York '50); three children include Catherine (attn'd '69-'71 and a brother Lawrence (York '39) and sister Gladys (attn'd York '34-'36)

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Class of 52:

Nellie Sherman Streib Hartman passed away on April 19, 2011 at age 82. She was born near Leona, KS and attended school there. She and Bill Streib, student Pastor of the Stull United Methodist Church were married. They moved to Naperville, IL for his Seminary and in 1949 they were in a terrible car accident that took Bills' life and severely injured Nellie. After her recovery she attended Westmar for a year and returned to Leona, KS to teach before marriage to Calvin Hartman in '52. She was very active in all phases of church and worship and from '63 – '67 she was the President of the Kansas Branch of Women's Society of World Service. She also served on several national committees and was requested as a speaker for women's meetings and in local churches. She genuinely loved people and was blest by the way they responded to her love. She leaves her husband Calvin ('51), 2 sons and 6 grandchildren.

Class of '53:

Lowell Keith Pieper, 80, of Flower Mound, passed away March 21, 2011. He was born in Aplington, IA and served in the United States Navy Reserves for over 20 years. He retired from the Department of Defense Dependent Schools System after working in Europe for over 29 years as an educator/computer specialist. Lowell dedicated his life to our county and the church. He and his wife traveled the world on mission trips and visited every continent at least once. He is survived by wife, daughter, son three sisters, and four grandchildren. His burial was at the Dallas/Ft. Worth National Cemetery with military honors.

Do you have any Westmar items you would like to

donate to the Archives or for room display?

Contact Westmar by mail or e-mail. Addresses are listed on the back of this newsletter.



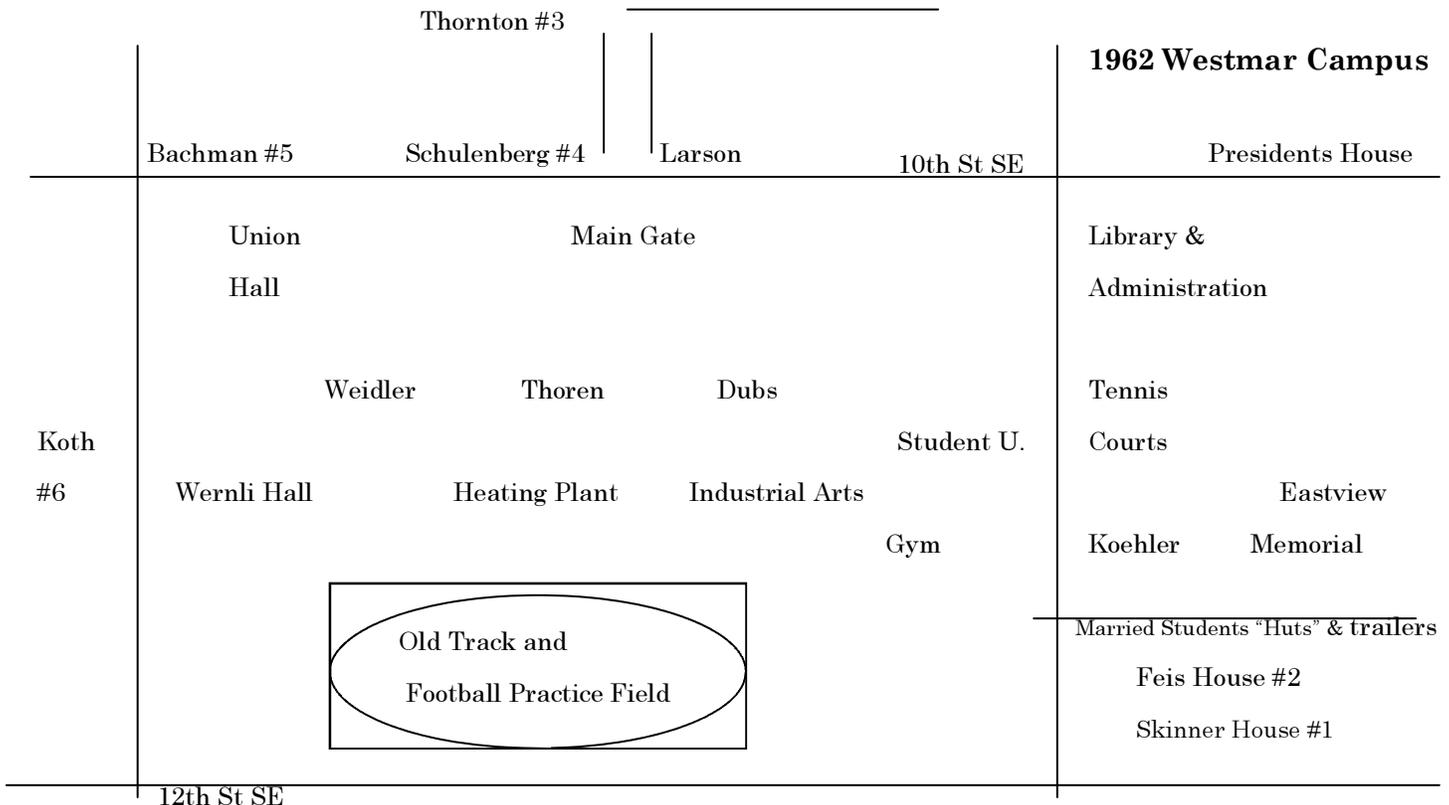
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specifically for Home Economics women students who were enrolled in the Home Management Course under direction of Professor Eva Larson. This continued until '75 when the Goodchild family moved from the Thornton House to the Bachman house. Goodchild's purchased the house in '79 and sold it back to the college in '91 when it became the residence for Dr. Kamijo, Japanese student advisor. The house was sold to a private family in '96.

The Koth House (#6) gets its name from the Koth family that lived in the house from '46 – '54 when they sold it to Westmar. Clayton Koth, a Frigidaire salesman, purchased the house in '46 from Clara Frolkey, the widow of Rex Frolkey, the unusual married student of the '20's that was written about in the Aug. 2009 Wafa Newsletter. (see Wafa website to view this newsletter) All four Koth children attended Westmar and Clayton became a "salesman" for Westmar by becoming the Director of Development in '62. Dr. and Mrs. Merrill Davis lived in the house for some years and in the fall of '59 it changed to women's housing when eight women moved in. They were Wanda Powell, Barb Hebrink, Arlys Allison, Betty Durrett, Gay Feind, Donna Houser, Donnakay Pantzer and Marilyn Schlaphoff with Virginia Bushong as house mother. When seniors Wanda and Barb returned from the traditional sneak night, they found that all clothes had been removed from their closets and they eventually found them hanging from the rafters in the attic. This group has maintained their connection with a Round Robin and five reunions since that time.

. After just two years for women the house became a men's residence from '61 through at least '66. Greg Junemann '65 lived in the house for three of his four years at Westmar and describes the "fraternity" atmosphere of the house. At one time they even attached the Kappa-Omega-Theta Greek letters above the main entrance. Male residents of the house were Curt Cox, Dave Hantke who became a Circuit Judge for the State of Oregon, Lynne Haynes, David Leaming, now a practicing Dr. of Ophthalmology; Charles Libutsi, Kenton McCoy, David Mead, Paul Munyan, Prof. of Economics; John Rayburn, Ken Reiners, Bob Seidel, Professor of History; Richard Voorhees, and Bill Melton – Founder of the VeriFone Company that produced the technology that still scans many of our credit cards. Bill and Patti (Smith '64) Melton also established the Melton Foundation "to build a worldwide community of talented people from diverse cultures, and to address global issues based on principles of open communication and mutual respect." In the late '60s the Koth House was remodeled (including the attic where Wanda and Barb's clothes were hidden) to become the Display Gallery for the Art Department that was still crowded in the basement of the old 1908 gym (old Student Union). In '75 the house was sold back to private family ownership and is now occupied by Tom and Michelle (Pick W'91) Berkenpas.

The Larson house was also a major student residence for some years but was described with the President's Houses story in the December 2009 Wafa Newsletter. Many students lived in various other privately owned houses in LeMars and will have their own particular memories. *Those were the days!!*



OBITUARIES continued

Class of '59:

Earl Fredrick Kooker passed away Feb. 6, 2011 at age 77. His early years were in Des Moines and then in 1946 his family moved to Merville, IA. Earl met the love of his life in Merville. He married Shirley Ann Raby and they moved to Ames, IA where Earl attended Iowa State. He continued his education at Westmar College and eventually moved to Spencer. Earl established his business Kooker and Assoc., a design consulting firm in Spencer. Some of his local design projects include Northwest Bank, Telco Triad, the State Bank, and the Lost Island Nature Center. He leaves his wife, 6 children, 14 grandchildren and a brother.

Class of '60:

Dean F. Johnson, Iowa City, IA, died unexpectedly Friday, Oct. 1, 2010 at Mercy Hospital in Iowa City. Funeral services were held at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and burial was with military honors in Memory Gardens. Dean served as a sergeant in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955 and received his BA from Westmar College, where he also was a football player. He worked in Sioux City at Securities Acceptance Corporation. In 1961, he married Karen Tincher and they moved to Iowa City. Dean was customer service manager for the Iowa City Press Citizen for 33 years, retiring in 1996. He sang in the church choir and attended Iowa Hawkeye sporting events. He is survived by wife, 2 daughters, 1 son, a twin brother, and 6 grandchildren.

Class of '65:

Mary Ellen (Farley) Hanley died Saturday, Feb 12, 2011 at Dyersburg Regional Medical Center of congestive heart failure. She was a former employee of Newbern Library, member of Newbern Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Newbern Women's Club,

and a member of the Women of the Moose where she served as an officer on the state and local levels, one of which was Past Deputy Grand Region of Tennessee. She was a member of the Westmar Singers while a student here and siblings also attending Westmar were Ruth '67 and Charles '69.

Class of '74:

Timothy "Joe" Johnson 58, of Colesburg, Iowa died unexpectedly Sunday Feb. 27, 2011 at his residence near Colesburg. He is survived by his wife, four daughters, three grandchildren, his parents, and four sisters. While at Westmar he was a member of band, fine arts, and football.

Attended '75

Lori J. (Hahn) Sokolowski 55 of rural Holstein, IA passed away March 7, 2011 due to injuries received in a motor vehicle accident. She was active in state track, band, vocal music and basketball at Willow Community Schools and attended Iowa Central Community College in Ft. Dodge on a music scholarship and then transferred to Westmar for a half year. She married Richard and was involved in the farming operation of raising pigs and crop farming. She had worked at the Pride Group and at Marketlink in Storm Lake. She was active at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, the Democratic Party and the Farmer's Union. She lobbied many times in Washington D. C. for the Farmers Union. She is survived by her husband, parents, and four children and extended family

Class of '76:

Le Ann (Peters) Rolling, 56, of LeMars, died Sat. April 30, 2011 at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Sioux City. She was stricken on Fri. at her home with an apparent brain aneurysm. She was married

to Larry Rolling and lived most of her life in the LeMars area. She was a very caring person and always acknowledged people's birthdays, holidays, anniversaries, etc. with cards. She enjoyed crafts, knitting, bead work, and more. She leaves her husband, two sons, two grandchildren, parents and seven brothers and sisters.

STAFF Obituaries :

'62

Henrietta Skinner Hale of Colorado Springs passed away on April 10, 2011 just 12 days before her 94th birthday. She was born near and lived in Berthoud, Co. until moving to LeMars with her husband and family as Richard N. Skinner became the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds at Westmar. She was very active in community and church and was a member of the Westmar Faculty wives. She is survived by her husband Merle Hale and two children, JoAnn Skinner Schleis '64 and Rich Skinner attn'd in '65.

'81

Goldie Denniston, 95, of LeMars, died Wednesday April 27, 2011. She was raised on the family farm and was married to Aaron Denniston (staff '66-81'). She worked for Floyd Valley Broilers from 1957 to the mid-'60s and later as a housekeeper in the dorms at Westmar College. She was active in her church as a Sunday school teacher, treasurer, and pianist, and was an avid gardener. She leaves four children of which son Gary and his wife Judy were in the Westmar class of '67, 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, 2 brothers and a sister plus a large extended family.



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Westmar Endowment Scholarships Awarded:

Des Moines, IA – The Iowa College Foundation announced that it has awarded Westmar Endowment Scholarships totaling \$36,500 to 38 students who will be attending an Iowa private college or university in academic year 2011-2012. The Westmar Endowment Scholarship Program is administered by ICF in cooperation with the Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association.

Westmar Presidential Scholarships of \$5,000 each were awarded to Stephanie Begnoche of Remsen who will be a freshman at Briar Cliff University; and, to Kimberly DeBoer of Sioux Center who will be a freshman at Dordt College.

In addition, 17 students receiving \$1,000 awards each are: Jill Bomgaars, Sheldon, a senior at Wartburg College; Keshia DeRocher, LeMars, senior at Morningside College; Jonathan Gallagher, Hornick, senior at Dordt College; Michael Gallagher, Hornick, junior at Dordt College; Marissa Gregg, Hawarden, junior at Morningside College; Jessica Heeren, LeMars, senior at Briar Cliff University; Jacquelyn Kessenich, LeMars, junior at Morningside College; Brenda Mauch, Sioux City, senior at Briar Cliff University; Michael Oetken, Akron, junior at Morningside College; Jordan Ogren, Cherokee, sophomore at Morningside College; Gregory Probst, LeMars, freshman at Briar Cliff University; Eric Rohe, LeMars, senior at Briar Cliff University; Austin Roy, LeMars, junior at Simpson College; Melinda Schwanz, Cherokee, junior at Buena Vista University; Jordan Sitzmann, LeMars, sophomore at Morningside College; Christopher Stevenson, Merrill, freshman at Morningside College; Lindsey Vander Velde, Rock Valley, sophomore at Northwestern College.

19 students receiving \$500 awards each are: Erin Baldwin, Des Moines, sophomore at Central College; Allyson Clark, Wahoo, NE, freshman at Morningside College; Kelsi Crawford, LeMars, senior at Briar Cliff University; Briana Engbretson, LeMars, junior at Briar Cliff University; Kayla Frey, Sergeant Bluff, sophomore at Morningside College; Hillary Haden, LeMars, freshman at Northwestern College; McKenzie Hartman, LeMars, freshman at Morningside College; Erin Heffner, LeMars, freshman at Drake University; Jordan Heidebrink, LeMars, freshman at Morningside College; David King, LeMars, sophomore at Morningside College; Zachary Lancaster, LeMars, junior at Simpson College; Shaun Ryan, LeMars, sophomore at Morningside College; Emily Schilmoeller, LeMars, senior at Briar Cliff University; Josh Schreiner, LeMars, sophomore at Morningside College; Kyle Schumacher, Le Mars, freshman at Morningside College; Alanna Valentine, Cherokee, Buena Vista University; Cody Vander Berg, Sioux Center, sophomore at Dordt College; Elton Waldo, Orange City, senior at Northwestern College; Erica Westhoff, LeMars, freshman at Morningside College.

The Westmar Endowment Scholarship Program is one of the largest scholarship programs ever offered in Northwest Iowa. First consideration for awards was given to students who are current residents of Northwest Iowa and have a Westmar connection such as alumni, former staff or former faculty of Westmar as well as their children and

grandchildren. Other considerations were given to students who are residents of LeMars, and students living outside of the northwest Iowa area but have connections with the former Westmar College. The Westmar Scholarships are also awarded on the basis of a student's academic merit, commitment to community service, and leadership qualities. The scholarships are for one year only, but may be renewed. Applicants at any college grade level are eligible, but must plan to attend one of ICF's member colleges as a full-time student.

The Iowa College Foundation was founded in 1952, to annually solicit unified support for private higher education in Iowa. ICF assists Iowa's private colleges and universities in providing a quality educational experience for over 45,000 students.

Westmar became a member of the Iowa College Foundation in 1952 and received funds from ICF while a member. Following the closing of Westmar, in cooperation with the Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association, ICF received over \$700,000 from the Westmar Endowment to establish an endowment for scholarships.

This painting is for sale through the LeMars Arts Center at 712-546-7476 or lemarsarts@frontier.net



The Prisoner by Gary Bowling

Gary and wife Linda live in Lamar, MO. Where he maintains his studio and spends most of his time. "When I began college, I pursued a degree in architectural engineering, and soon found myself in visual arts. With a Masters of Fine Arts degree at the U. of AR in '74 I took an art teaching position at Westmar College and was the Chairman of the Art Department for about nine years.

I have become particularly interested in the landscape as the highway, and features that suggested a demarcation between public and private space.

I took a sabbatical leave from Westmar in 1981. During that time I had the good fortune to study at Yaddo, an artist's colony in Saratoga Springs, NY. I quit teaching in 1983 in order to focus on painting." (from his website with permission.—gbowlingstudio.com)

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