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We Want Your Information For The New Alumni Directory!

The new Westmar College Alumni Directory will be divided into four sections: Biographical, Geographical, Profession, Class Roster, and most importantly the Introductory Section showcasing the school's history and events.

All efforts are being made to contact Westmar Alumni via phone, email and mail to obtain and verify biographical information.

Wafa has contracted with **Alumni Research, Inc.** to collect and compile the information into a hardbound, library quality volume and an online community. This directory is being made available to Westmar College alumni only and is a limited edition press run and offered only one time.

Note: this is very important to our alumni organization as it is the only current database that we have to use to notify alumni for such things as reunions. Thank you.

REUNIONS

Committees are at work on reunions for the following years:

50th reunion for the class of '64 with the years of '62 to '66 invited, will be held Sept. 12—14, 2014 in LeMars.

55th reunion for the class of '59 with the years of '57 to '61 invited will be held Sept. 19—21, 2014 in LeMars.

60th reunion for the class of '54 including the classes of '52 thru '56 will be held Sept 19—21 in a separate place from the class of '59. This includes those who attended York as well as Westmar.

Information is found on the website at www.westmarcollege.org or call the Wafa office at 712-546-8759.

Westmar Endowment Scholarships Awarded

The Iowa College Foundation announced that it has awarded Westmar Endowment Scholarships totaling \$42,500 to 46 students who will be attending an Iowa private college or university in academic year 2014 – 2015. 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 Katherine Bomgaars of Sheldon, grandchild of Dorothy Bomgaars '67, who will be a freshman at Wartburg College; and, to Kayla Tindall of Akron, niece of Cynthia Tindall Susemihl '76, who will be a freshman at Northwestern College.

21 students receiving \$1,000 awards each are: Stephanie Begnoche, grandchild of Harvey Begnoche '97; Faith Bierma, grandchild of Henrietta Van Mannen '46; Kori Boll, child of Edward Hoppe Boll '85; Charles Carter, child of Melinda Jean Schwanz '93; Marissa Childress, child of Carol Jean Childress '80; Kathryn Clausen, child of Matthew John Clausen '86; Kimberly De Boer, grandchild of John W. Vis; Maggie Dickman, child of Donna Marie Wimmer '92; Christine Gallagher, child of Dennis Gallagher '86; Aimee Harmelink, grandchild of Marvin Harmelink '62; Tanner Hilbrands, grandchild of Hilda Snuttjer Hilbrands; Madeline Huff, child of Edward Huff '92; Jenna Lundsgaard, grandchild of Helen Borgeson '46; Gregory Probst, grandchild of Gerald Francis Probst '52; Kimberly Schroeder, grandchild of Robert Shaw '64; Christopher Stevenson, grandchild of Donald Stevenson '55; Kelsey Tilgner, grandchild of Carmen Judy Tilgner '63; Shannon Vander Berg, grandchild of Eldon Vander Berg '60; Samantha Vander Velde child of Todd Vander Velde '84; Emily Vondrak, grandchild of Kenneth Bonthuis '52; Baily Wiltgen, grandchild of Ronald Wiltgen '67.

23 students receiving \$500 awards each are: Matthew Albert; Jordan Augustine, child of Crystal Augustine '88; Emily Borger, grandchild of Louise De Boer '47; Alliaha Chesteen, child of Shawn Chesteen '96; Anne Epley Birtwistle, grandchild of Donna Heim Epley '52; Mitchell Flack, child of Leonard Flack '90; Brianna Fowler, child of Amy (Christenson) Fowler '92; Andrew Heffner; Jenna Kitchenmaster, grandchild of Arvin Kitchenmaster '63; Elizabeth Koele; Bret Korthals, child of Angela Kruger '94; Isaiah Korver, grandchild of Muryl Korver '60; Kayla Moeller; Micah Neary, child of Jeffrey Neary '81; Rulin Pederson, child of Vincent Pederson '88; Channing Pick, child of Kaylyn Pick '88; Payton Pick, child of Kaylyn Pick '88; Connor Porter, child of Michael Thomas '88; Shelby Puhl; Richard Schmidt, child of Rodney Schmidt '78; Katelyn Van Klompenburg, grandchild of Muryl Korver '60; Taylor Weiler, grandchild of Marlys Weiler '73; Blake Wiltgen, grandchild of Ronald Wiltgen '67.

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 family-relation connection such as alumni, former staff and former faculty of Westmar as well as their children and grandchildren. Other considerations were given to students who are residents of Le Mars and students living outside of the northwest Iowa area but have family relation 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 ICT's member colleges as a full-time student.

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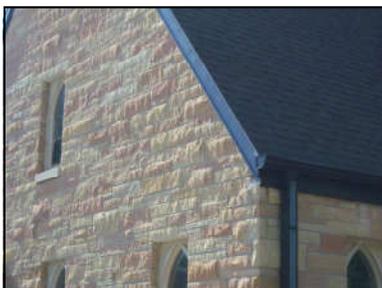
Editors Note: This time we give our feature writer, Wayne Marty a little break! He has been busy with theater productions in LeMars as an actor and acting as a father and grandfather at family events.

I wish to thank those of you who have submitted articles for inclusion in our newsletter. These truly make it YOUR newsletter and I am please to pass your words on to others while certainly enjoying them myself. JoAnn

'55—**Bruce Buller**, who worked at the building of Calvary Church while a student at Westmar, has some memories to share. This was the college church for many students, and was built in the summer during his junior year. "There were persons who had specific tasks. I worked at my pilot's license: the foreman would say "Buller, take this out there and pile it"."



"I hope I remember most of the names of those persons from the college who were at work on the church. Art Angove '55, Andy Peterson '55, and I were on the work crew. Gene Roder '56, and Warren Duit '58, were the special persons. They came on early and were responsible for cutting the stone according to the stone mason's measurements. They



chose from 2", 5", 8" or 11" stone. A look at a wall will tell you what this would mean. They also were responsible for chipping the corners on stone that would come on the corner of the building, as well as around every window and every door. When not busy

cutting stone to order, they would chip away so that they had a supply, again for the stone mason's order.

The foreman had ways of helping us at work. He would await 11:45 am, just before dinner and then ask us to form a line and toss off a load of stone that had arrived. He knew it would not take long, dinner was at hand. Or, he would say to some of us: "I will put up the backup block, you bring the mud, and you bring the block," and then we would run to keep up.

I had a number of jobs. The foreman was not happy with the supply of cement from the trucks so we mixed the cement according to his instructions and made the amount needed for the cement finishers on any day. I remember wheeling a large cement wheel barrow from the chancel up a ramp to the balcony. I would get about half way up and holler so that one of the crew would come with a metal hook and pull as I pushed. I always hoped that the helper would not be late. I remember beam fill. That meant stuffing the hollow wall with old cement sacks and then taking a bucket of cement to fill the top of those hollow walls. That does not sound so difficult until I remember that often there was no ceiling or roof, just the wall jutting upward to the peak. My most rewarding task was bending the steel for the stairways. A jig was made so that one could twist the steel and

then it was laid side by side and it had to be correct for the foremen who just looked at it to see. I did have to follow the measurements given for each stairway. I think the foreman thought a college student could do this.

One day, Pastor Clawson, we called him K.I. because those were his initials, came out to show someone the weep holes in the wall. Because the wall was hollow, that is stone on the outside and back up block on the inside, and the walls were held together by steel connections laid into the mortar of both walls, moisture could collect in the hollow space. At the bottom of the outside stone walls, the stone masons would leave a hole which was plugged by a short piece of rope. Pastor Clawson pulled out a rope to demonstrate this process. The foreman was heard to say "If he does that many more times we will be building a swimming pool rather than a church."

I concluded work in the fall. We were shingling the roof and there was ice on the 2x4 runners on which we stood. It seemed wise to be too busy with co-editing the Gleam and my studies.

I give thanks for the witness to the gospel for which this church has stood for years. We keep its ministry in our prayers. "

(Editors note: Thanks for sharing Bruce. They have just finished a new entrance on the south side of the church with a circle drive and larger parking lot. The stone work is still being enjoyed!



'60 – **Dan Johnston**, Des Moines Attorney, was named the 2014 Louise Noun Award Winner. The announcement was made by the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Iowa. The award is named after Louise Noun, distinguished Des Moines activist, philanthropist and former president of the ACLU of Iowa Board of Directors. It is given to those who have made significant contributions or displayed uncommon courage on behalf of civil liberties in the state. Dan Johnston richly fits that description.

Johnson has a long and impressive legacy in civil rights and constitutional law. Currently Of Counsel with the Des Moines law firm of Glazebrook, Moe, Johnston, and Hurd, Johnston has served as the Polk County attorney, as a state legislator, and an ACLU of Iowa staff attorney and member of the ACLU national board. However, it was his role as



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legal counsel in the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision, *Tinker v. the Des Moines Independent School District* in 1969 that earned him a place in the free speech and constitutional law history books. That case upheld the right of Des Moines Students who wore black armbands to support a ceasefire in the Vietnam War and were suspended from school. The decision blazed the path for increased student free speech for decades to come.

Through all his work, Johnston has been a steadfast supporter of criminal justice reform with an eye to defending those who are least able to defend themselves.

Johnston served in the legislature as a representative for Polk Co. starting in 1966. He was the Democratic nominee for Iowa Attorney General in '68. In '75, he went to work with the National Center for State Courts, based in Washington, D. C. In '90, he was the general counsel for the Criminal Justice Subcommittee of the U. S. House Judiciary Committee

A graduate of Drake University Law School, Johnston was born in Montezuma, IA. He met his life partner, Norman Jesse, at Drake and the two both served in the Iowa Legislature. They spent more than 30 years together before Jess passed away in 2000.

Consistent with his personal life and his civil liberties convictions, Johnston has been an advocate for LGBY rights, and was on the board of directors of the Gay Men's Health



Crisis Center in New York from '87 to '90.

"Dan has had an extremely distinguished career," said ACLU of Iowa Executive Director, Ben Stone. "Besides his well-known role in one of our nation's water-

shed free speech cases, he has remained committed to the promotion of justice in many other ways as well. It's our pleasure to recognize his enormous contribution."

Wafa Dues Support These Activities:

- Work with the Iowa College Foundation to administer the Westmar Endowment Scholarship
- Help sponsor and organize Westmar reunions
- Publish Wafa newsletters
- Help maintain displays in the Westmar Room of the Plymouth County Historical Museum
- Maintain Westmar Alumni, Faculty, Staff, and Administration database
- Help maintain the Westmar Memorial Park on the former campus
- Maintain the Wafa web-site www.westmarcollege.org



Class of '68 Friends

L to R: Evelyn Brady Graff, Susan Stough Paquette, Gayle Geason Pullen (back) Cheryl Campbell Manifor, Ruth Apel Swaney (in back) and Janice Bauer Trometer.

Editors note: I received the picture and the names but no information. Jan Trometer sends the following information. The gathering was at Evelyn's house in Urbandale, IA last Sept. Some of us had not seen each other since graduation in 1968. Others had met occasionally over the years but we had not all been together at the same place and time since graduation. We were all great friends in college and thought it was time for all of us to gather. Cheryl now lives in La Habra, CA and was here for a family reunion in eastern Iowa so that prompted the idea to see how many of us could get together. Gayle drove over from Omaha, Ruth drove up from Platte City, MO, I (Jan) drove in from Jamaica, IA and Sue flew in from Colorado. We met in the afternoon, talked until 2 AM, got up at 7 AM and talked more. Most left in the afternoon so it was a 24 hour fabulous time catching up on each others life experiences since 1968.

'56 – **Ruth L. (Loechner) Hamm** writes that she is really enjoying living in beautiful Hot Springs Village, AR, and retirement. She plays in the 80 piece Hot Springs Concert Band and says they have a very active United Methodist Church.

'67 – **Terry C. Bruce** writes from Cedar Falls, IA, that he is retired after working 28 years as an Engineer at John Deere building tractors.

'70 – **Judith Bahr Mitchell** writes from Littleton, CO, that her husband Bob died as a result of a car accident July 22nd. Dr. Marty called her and that meant so much to her. Frank Summerside sent her a song that she had sung in Europe. She feels so grateful to be a part of Westmar!

'74 – **Lynnette Johnson Stevens** - Feb. issue correction: Kevin '75, who was listed as her husband is her brother and Robin Stevens is her husband. Robin was in the class of '73. Sorry.

'64 – **Phyllis Berk Vinson** writes from Marshalltown, IA, that she likes being retired. She enjoys her 5 grandchildren even though 2 live quite a distance. She plays a lot of bridge, goes to movies and out to eat. She travels when she can and misses seeing friends from Westmar.

'64 – **Flora Hungerford Green Walker**, one of the college nurses '63-'64, retired from teaching nursing at Carrington College 3 years ago. She was married to Norman Walker, retired Ada County Extension Agent for University of Idaho, 6 years ago. Her only granddaughter, Gwen, is now 4 months old, living in California. Her sister, Grace Hungerford '66, died last Sept. Their mother, **Ethel Hill Hungerford** graduated in 1931. Flora and Norm live in Boise, ID.



Alumni Deaths

'47 (Western Union)—**Donald J. Kenaley**, 91, of Iowa City died Jan 8, 2014 after a short illness. He served as a Communications Officer and eventually a ship Commander in the Pacific Theatre of WWII from '43—'46 before returning to LeMars to graduate from Westmar College. He had a teaching career for 38 yrs. Eventually serving as Hinton Community Principal. He enjoyed fishing, traveling and family. (submitted)

'47 (Western Union) – **Virginia Rau Koth**, 88, of LeMars, IA, died Feb. 16, 2014. In '50, she and her husband Ken '47 (now deceased) moved to ND where Ken served EUB churches and in '68 they moved to Oregon City, OR where Virginia served her family and alongside Ken, entertaining, playing piano and organ, directing choirs and teaching piano in their home. In '94, they moved to LeMars. Among her family, a brother Alfred Rau '49 survives her. <http://carlsenfuneralhome.com>

'50—**Charles W. Buckley**, 85, of LeMars, IA, died Jan 14, 2014. He served in the US Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He later farmed and was a rural mail carrier for over 34 years. He enjoyed traveling, gardening and family. <http://carlsenfuneralhome.com>

'51—**L. Laurene Kehrberg Gaumnitz**, 91 of LeMars, IA, died Jan. 17, 2014. She valued education and after working her way through Westmar she taught for 8 years before deciding to farm with her husband. She later worked as a home health aid for several years. She was active in church and loved to read, travel and spend time with family. Of her 4 children, Anita '75 and Lorna '79, attended Westmar. <http://carlsenfuneralhome.com>

'53—**Mary Ellen Keegan**, 84, of Rock Valley, IA, died Jan. 23, 2014. She received her 2 yr teaching degree from Westmar and taught 5th grade at LeMars, IA, until her retirement. She enjoyed traveling throughout the world. www.porterfuneralhomes.com

'56—**Delmar Dale Westra**, 80, of Pella, IA, died Jan. 18, 2014. He continued his education at Westmar after returning from military service in Korea and Japan where he attained the rank of Sergeant and received a Bronze Star. He served as an administrator and teacher in Christian schools and Dordt College before retiring to Pella. <http://www.vandykduven.com>

'56 - **Lt. Col. Robert E. Atwood** of Naples, FL, died Mar. 21, 2014. He was a veteran, active in the North Naples United Methodist Church and Habitat for Humanity of Collier County.

'59—**Thomas Kohout**, 81, of Alexandria, MN, died Jan 25, 2014. He served in the U.S. Army from '53 to '55. He and his brother Bill '66, successfully expanded their family business, K-Products. <http://andersonfuneral.net>

'61—**Marilyn Ruth Bischoff Smith**, 74, of Pineville, KY, died Feb.. 21, 2014. She had been a school teacher in the Knox County School System for several years and was a strong believer in Christ. A brother Donald '64 is an alumni. www.arnettsteele.com

'61—**Adroama Boender**, 89, of Sheldon, IA, died March 15, 2014. She began her career in teaching in 1944 at the Hopers Public School and then taught at Salyersville, KY, and the Anville Bible Institute. After a year teaching missionary children in Chiapas, Mexico, she move to Salix, IA, teaching remedial reading. She also taught in Alberta, Canada until 1990, returning to Hopers, IA. www.oelmanfuneralhome.com

'62 – **Adriel Brady Thrash**, 75, of North Canton, OH, died Feb. 17, 2014. He taught for 3 yrs before studying for the ministry. He served churches in the East Ohio Conference and also served as the District Superintendent of the Cambridge District. He designed and constructed stained glass windows and art pieces. Survivors include his wife Avis (Bochman) '64 and sister Sharon Schaible '63 among others. www.legacy.com/obituaries/ohio

'64—**Diane Lee Jones**, 72, of Storm Lake, formerly of Fonda, died Jan 9, 2014. www.stormlake.com

'64—**Lennice Irene Popken Farnham**, 72, of Sagle, ID, died Feb. 28, 2014. She taught school, substituted, and worked in doctor's offices, but she loved working in the Cornelius, OR, Public Library. www.lakeviesfuneral.com

'65 – **Lola H. Blaser Hoyer** of Pittsburg, KS, died April 22, 2014. She taught school 40 years and had all four of her daughters as students. She was active in organizations and the First Church of the Nazarene. Through church she went on 20 mission trips throughout the U. S and Mexico. Having played professional softball, she coach softball and taught Sunday school for 40 yrs. She also wrote hundreds of poems. www.siouxcityjournal.com

'66—**Richard “Dick” Kurth**, 70, of LeMars, IA, died Feb. 4, 2014. After receiving his BA he taught at Omaha Teck prior to taking a position at Cherry Creek School #5 in Aurora, CO. He returned to LeMars, and founded Barnyard Basics Inc. manufacturer of outdoor apparel where he continued until 2000. He had received 'Small Business of the Year Award' from the Small Business Administration. www.mauerjohnsonfh.com

'66—**Gene Allen Renken**, 69, of Bella Vista, AR, died Jan. 27, 2014. He was employed with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture serving in Field offices in IA, CA, and Washington, D. C. He retired as the Chief I.T. Architect for U.S.D.A..in 2007. www.funeralmation.com

'67 – **Alice M. Pohlen File**, 79, of Le Mars, IA, died Apr. 27, 2014 She began her teaching career at Gehlen Catholic Schools (Le Mars) and continued at Remsen Union Schools, Remsen, IA, where she developed their learning disabilities program. She enjoyed traveling and was active in many community activities. She volunteered at the hospital, library and theater and also sat on the YMCA board for a number of years. www.siouxcityjournal.com

'72 – **William “Bill” Mason**, 64, of Pocahontas, IA, died April 6, 2014 following a battle with cancer. At college he played football and baseball. He was a well respected teacher and coach having taught for 41 yrs. He was in-



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ducted into the IA Girls Softball Coaching Hall of Fame in 2013 and retired that yr. www.powersfuneralhome.com

'73—**John Francis Muller**, 62, of Paullina IA, died Jan. 29, 2014. After moving to Paullina in 1975, he and his wife, Jane (Vondrak '73) started the Muller Furniture and Carpet Store in Paullina which he operated until his death. He served on the City Council, Chamber of Commerce, Golf Club, Lion's Club and American Legion as well as Hospital Foundation Board and Iowa State Bank. A brother James Muller '74 also attended Westmar.
www.eldridgefamilyfuneralhomes.com

'75 – **Michael Ruehl**, 60, Sioux City, IA, died Feb 6, 2014 due to complications of cancer treatments. He taught Industrial Arts at Lawton-Bronson and then joined Mid-American Energy in '80. He mentored cancer patients using his 12-year journey as a token of obstacles that can be overcome by living the motto "God is driving the bus."
www.meyerbrothersfuneralhomes.com

'76 – **Lucille McCabe O'Kane**, 88, of Le Mars, IA, died April 24, 2014. Lucille taught in Catholic schools in the Diocese of Sioux City for 25 years. She was a very dedicated teacher and proud of her Irish heritage. She and her husband raised 6 children. www.lemarsdailysentinel.com

'94—**Joyce "Rejoyce" Marie Karl**, 55, of Omaha, NE, died Feb 2, 2014. After graduating from Westmar she moved to Omaha and worked for First Data Corporation. She was an expert seamstress, enjoyed genealogy and loved people. She was always the light and life of any gathering, loved to tell jokes and entertain others, especially children, as Rejoyce the clown. www.kremerfuneralhome.com

'97—**Brent Matthew Weiler**, 38, of Sioux Falls, SD died of cancer on Jan. 21, 2014. After his degree from Westmar he moved to Sioux Falls where he started his career at Dial Bank, later know as Wells Fargo Financial. He was one of the youngest Vice Presidents in 2007. He then joined Lawrence & Schiller TeleServices in 2008 where he started a new division that grew into a nationally recognized sales team. He was very active in community where he was named 'volunteer of the year' in 2007, and most recently, the United Way honored Brent by establishing the Brent Weiler Bulldog Award which will be given annually.
www.heritagefuneralhome.com

IN MEMORY/IN HONOR

Making a donation as a memorial in someone's name that is deceased will place that person's information in a special section of our HONOR book, on a stand, in the Westmar Room. The page will also include the donor's name. Donations may also be made in honor of someone living that is special to you with Westmar ties and a page will also be entered for that person.

All donations and the person it honors are listed in the Feb. issue of the newsletter each year. Another way to keep Westmar alive as it means so much to so many.

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'64 – **Curt Sokness** spent 40+ years in public education as a teacher and administrator. He now lives in Austin, TX, to be closer to his two single children.

'60 – **Judy Lowrance Bredesen** and husband **Howard '62**, have made a major move to California from Kansas to be with their first and only grandchild. Now living in Sebastopol, CA

'96 – **Sheri (Heuertz) Porter** and husband Michael live in LeMars. She is working for the Pride Group, taking care of mentally ill individuals

'83 – **Joe Wurzer** is living in Huntington Beach, CA and is an EVP Software Executive for Healthcare.

'77 – **Thomas A. Hill** writes from St. Thomas, ND that he will be retiring from teaching this spring and after 18 years of teaching out of town, he gets to move home. I still go out and play gigs about the state. If you want to see me, I am on YouTube. Search 'Dusty James River Band.' He has three videos posted.

Wernli peonies—past and present!!



In the August 2013 Newsletter, we shared information about the peonies that originally came from the home of Jacob Wernli's grandson (Allen Wernli) in LeMars, their travel to Lexington, MA and then return to the Westmar Memorial Park by Jacob's Gr. Granddaughter, Barbara Wernli Collins.. Well, here they are and seem to be liking their new home around the gazebo.



Thanks Barbara and those who helped to plant and care for them.



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Westmar Alumni and Friends Association

Board of Directors

The next Wafa quarterly Board of Directors meeting will be held on July 21, 2014, at 7:00 PM in the Plymouth County Historical Museum's Welcome Room. All Wafa members all welcome to attend and are encouraged to participate in whatever way they can.

New Items for sale: Order on the website.

20 oz. insulated tumbler for hot or cold beverages. Includes inst. \$10.00



Can or water bottle koozies to keep beverages cold. Features photo of Thoren. Folds flat—\$2.50 each

IMPORTANT: Ask yourself and your relatives that attended Westmar or one of the colleges associated with Westmar if it is time to clean out the bookshelf and the storage space by donating year books and other memorabilia to Wafa. We are missing copies of '29, '42, '45, '58 '59, '60, '61, '65, and '75. A number of these have been requested. Your donations will be appreciated by many and your children will not have to deal with them later.

Thank you for considering Westmar (Wafa) in your future plans.

Now Available T-shirts in GREY.

(also in white or blue) Great for summer and the reunions. Prices are: Small, Medium, Large and X-large are \$15.00 each and XXL & XXXL are \$18.00 each. (Note: not all sizes may be available in all colors.)



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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.

Dear Westmar University Alumni and Friends Association:

I would like to thank you for selecting me to receive an award of \$1,000 through the Westmar Endowment Scholarship Program. I am honored to receive your support for my educational endeavors.



My engineering education continues to let me grow at Dordt College. I am still searching for a job or internship in the field of engineering for the summer. Two options I am pursuing are working at Gage Brothers Concrete Products in the quality control department or at Iowa State University as a lab technician. Upon graduation from college, I intend to pursue a degree in civil-environmental engineering by attending a larger university to receive a master's degree. Because of your financial support, my path to this career is easier.

By awarding me this scholarship, my financial burden is lighter and I can focus more on my primary task, learning. Your generosity has deeply encouraged me.

Sincerely, Kimberly De Boer, grandchild of John W. Vis '51

New Jackets—

just in time for Summer!

If you are planning to attend a reunion this summer, please pre-order so you can pick it up when you come. You can order on the website or email us.

Pre-paid of course.



Blue jacket—100% polyester with grey lining. also 100% poly. Machine washable. Sport-Tek by Port Authority. \$40 plus postage.

Fleece jackets by Port Authority in Women's or Men's sizes. Machine wash in Royal Blue or Grey—\$40 plus postage.

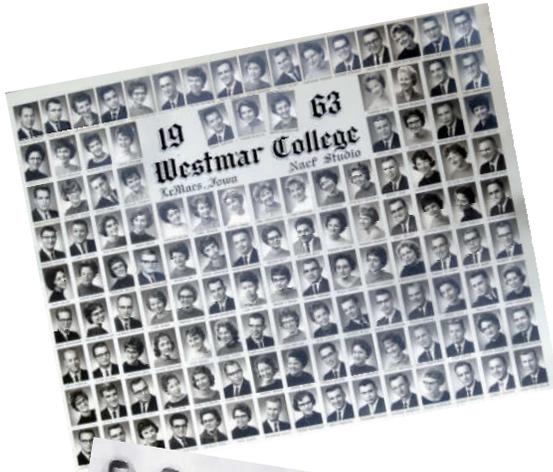
New Polo Shirts—\$25 Port Authority—65%Poly/35% cotton. Available online and at the Wafa office are perfect to wear to reunions or other travels. People will notice!





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Display of Class Composite Pictures



Visitors to the Westmar Room often asked, “**Where are the Class Pictures**”? Currently those composites, in their original frames, glass, cardboard and masking tape, are kept in the office and are difficult to access for viewing.

We have been photographing them, reproducing them in a 16”x20” size and displaying them in a table top poster display for easy viewing by visiting alumni, non-graduating classmates, families and historians. **We need your help to continue** this project to display the composite pictures.

Donations of any size are welcome; however donations of \$20 or more take care of the cost for a composite picture and placing it in the display. Some of the early years may not have classmates living so your generosity will help to maintain those as well. **All donations will be acknowledged on the picture display.**

Additional copies may be available on the web site to purchase and the photos will be displayed on the web site in the future.

Last year, information was sent with reunion invitations and enough money was realized to begin this project. To date 16 composites have been photographed and will be on display by the middle of June. We have a long way to go! It is with volunteer help and your generosity, that we are able to continue this project.

DONATIONS may be sent to Westmar Alumni and Friends Assoc., 335 1st Ave SW, LeMars, IA 51031 or may be made on the Wafa website at www.westmarcollege.org. Questions? Phone 712-546-8759 (leave message) or email



Graduation Years to Date: ‘25, ‘53 through the years including ‘90. There are class pictures found in yearbook for early years to be included and perhaps the ‘90’s could be fabricated with yearbook photos. As space allows, other documents and photos from the archives will be included.



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Check your renewal date to insure that you will receive the next issue of the newsletter.

Still receiving your newsletter by mail? Get it on line and get it in color—make the print as large as you like. Get it where ever you get your e-mail. Better and more convenient. Make sure we have your e-mail address today.

Be sure to check out our ever-changing website at: <http://www.WestmarCollege.org/>. We offer online shopping, membership, and reunion registration. Suggestions are always welcome.

Current Members: You will receive **only one** reminder postcard when it is time to renew your membership. Please pass the form below on to other Westmar Alum and encourage them to be a WAFA member.

What's Happening with You? Tell Us!

We are interested in knowing what has recently (or not so recently) happened in your life. Promotions? Marriage? Births or deaths? Honors or awards? Graduate degree? Semi- or full retirement? Pass on the information so we can print it and spread the good news!

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