Western ... e-Round the World

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Around the World in Two-and-a-Half Days

Reunion 2007 was attended by 150 Western College and Western College Program alums and guests, including 16 former international students. Class flags from anniversary years (2's and 7's) were not the only flags flying -- lining the Patterson Place sidewalk were the national flags of the many foreign countries represented. Miami's president, David Hodge, paid tribute to Western's international tradition in his address at Friday night's Welcome Dinner; a panel of international alumnae shared experiences from their student days with an attentive audience Saturday morning; and at Sunday morning's chapel program, speaker Ameerah Haq '71, who came to Western from East Pakistan (now Bangladesh), chose her theme from the poem "Ithaka," by Constantine Cavafy, which begins: "When setting out upon your way to Ithaca/ wish always that your course be long/ full of adventure, full of lore." But to see what we're talking about, click here.

As you can tell by viewing the slide show, appreciation of Western's global education is strong. To help it continue, Western alumnae decided that the 2007 Reunion Gift would create a new International Scholarship endowment. Our goal is \$100,000. To date, we have raised nearly \$70,000. If we ALL pull together, we can reach this goal today! Just go to the secure website, give/pledge as little as \$30, and YOU will be part of making this grand scholarship possible!

And to be sure you don't miss June Reunion 2008, go to your calendar now and circle these dates: June 13-15! It will be the fourth annual All-Western Reunion, especially honoring those class years ending in 3 or 8, and welcoming all!

Sale! Sale! Sale!

Everything must go! Well, not everything. Actually, just some items. Look for drastic reductions on selected Gift Shop offerings.

While you're at it, check out these new items at great prices: our handy-dandy Western beverage mug, nostalgic Peabody post card, and hand-crafted Alumnae Hall ornament.

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Upcoming Events

August 17-19, 7:00 p.m.:

MU Theatre Department production of a new work by a Thai playwright, Ernst Nature Theatre

August 19, 5:30 p.m.:

New student welcome, alums invited! Picnic on Alumnae Hall Green (rain plan: Peabody porch) followed by an opening event in Kumler Chapel and La Manada on McKee lawn.

September 6, 11:00 a.m.:

Ruth Rosenberg Marder Children's Theatre Outreach production, Ernst Nature Theatre

October 15, 7:30 p.m.:

African Children's Choir, MU Performing Arts Series concert sponsored by WCAA, Hall Auditorium

