

TIME PRESENT
AND TIME PAST
ADDENDUM III
— 35 YEARS —

WESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.



Rick Costello, Miami University

Our newest bridge, restored 2009: New stones were mixed with the original cannonball stones laid by master stonemason Cephas Burns in the early 1900s in order to make the structure longer and stronger.

*We can walk one of the loveliest campuses
in the nation and cross its bridges and know
how enriched our lives have been because
it [Western] existed and endures.*

— Phyllis Hoyt, *Where the Peonies Bloomed*

The Story Continues . . .

That is how, in 2004, we introduced the *second* Addendum to the Western College Alumnae Association's 20-year commemorative publication, *Time Present and Time Past*. In the five years preceding 2004, the Alumnae Hall Memorial was constructed and dedicated, the Trustees Scholarship was created for Student Leaders in the Western Program, and the Narka Nelson Circle was created to acknowledge those who have made planned gifts to benefit the WCAA and Western's legacy.

Now we are at the 35-year mark, and it is time to log in the activities of another five years, 2004-2009. Within the following pages, we bring you the high points of these past five years, including the creation of the Herrick B. Young International Student Scholarship, the WCAA Fine Arts Scholarship and the restoration of the pipe organ in Kumler Chapel.

The story of Western College began in 1853, continued with the incorporation of the Western College Alumnae Association in 1974, and continues to be written today. In the past five years, we have experienced another end and another beginning: Miami University's School of Interdisciplinary Studies (Western College Program) closed, and a new Western Program opened within the College of Arts and Science. Tomorrow's chapters may be written with the help of these newer *Westerns*, as we continue to strengthen our ties with Western College Program alumni as well as with the new Western Program students.

Once again, *time future* is being added to *time present* and *time past*.



Judy K. Waldron
Director



Cathy Bauer Cooper '60
Publications Editor

Summer 2009

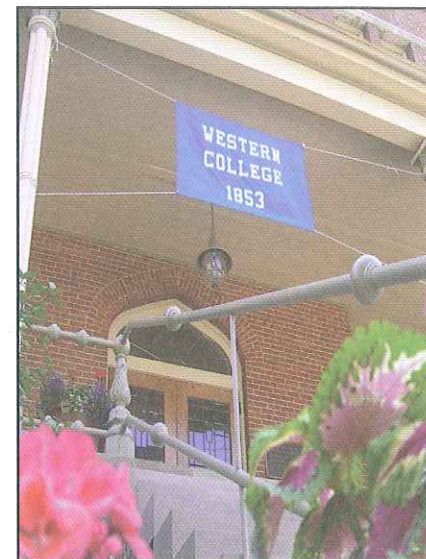


Table of Contents

Letter from MU President Hodge	4
Strengthening Western's Legacy	5
Presidents' Terms:	
Patricia Pinkowski '70	6
Renée Harris Yates '72	9
Stevie Bentzen Snook '69	10
Scholars	12
Appendix	14

Copyright 2009 by Western College Alumnae Association, Inc.,
Oxford, Ohio. Editors: Judy Waldron, Catherine Bauer Cooper.
Printing: Hamilton Graphics, Hamilton, Ohio. All rights reserved.
Cover photo courtesy of Michael Fazio, Austin Organs.



Office of the President
213 Roudebush Hall
Oxford, Ohio 45056

(513) 529-2346 Office
(513) 529-9595 Fax
hodedc@muohio.edu

June 2009

Dear members of the Western College Alumnae Association:

Miami University is pleased to congratulate the Western College Alumnae Association on this, the 35th Anniversary of your incorporation.

With honor to the vision of the Association's founding trustees and determination of their successors to preserve and promote the Western spirit, we fully appreciate the Association's unwavering commitment to education at Miami University and the enhancement of the Western campus.

We join Western alumnae, former faculty and friends in celebrating the vitality and longevity of the Alumnae Association, as well as the strong mutual respect and support that continue to be shared by Miami University and the Western College Alumnae Association.

Sincerely yours,

David C. Hodge
President

Strengthening Western's Legacy ...



Reunion 2005: Together for a Better World! Appreciation of both flora and fauna was ensured by a morning birdwatch walk and organic garden tour in the afternoon.



Reunion 2008: Play It Again! Kathy Piper, with her Turkish shadow puppets, and Helen Peabody certainly did.



Reunion 2006: How Do We Define Community? Let us count the ways ... gathering Sunday morning in Kumler Chapel, for one.

... by tightening bonds, honoring traditions, and looking ahead



Reunion 2009: The Beat Goes On . . .



Reunion 2007: Western Around the World ... alums from all over the map.



launching our 35th anniversary!

2004-2006 Patricia Pinkowski '70

Archives, Scholarships, A.R.I.S.E., Connections

The years after our 30th anniversary as an association continued to be strong ones for the Western College Alumnae Association and I was excited to be a



part of it. The goals I set for 2004-2006 concentrated in four areas: archives, scholarships, A.R.I.S.E., and the Connections Program.

Alums continued to display a high interest in the Western College Archives. Visits to the archives and its special displays

continued to be a highlight of reunion weekend. With the departure of Diane Kaufman, Jacky Johnson, was appointed by Miami to head the archives. The Board Curatorial Committee finished its work and was disbanded (a bylaws change) and a member of the board of directors was assigned to act as liaison with the archives.

Scholarships continued to be our most vital activity as an ongoing group. In 2005-2006, we provided over \$192,000 in scholarship money, most for special populations like "mature" students returning to school and international students. In 2006, the amount given out exceeded \$200,000.

The A.R.I.S.E. (Alums Reaching out In Support of Education) program was developed by both the WCAA and Miami to help Miami develop a more diverse campus. We paid transportation costs to bring secondary school counselors from schools with high-achieving minority students to see Miami's campus. We also helped identify candidates and paid transportation costs for students to attend Miami's summer Multicul-

tural Leadership Program. Ongoing board discussions looked for other ways to increase diversity.

The cover of the *Bulletin* from fall 2004 shows students and graduates from Western College for Women, Western College and the Western College Program standing on one of the stone bridges on campus holding letters spelling out "WESTERN." The caption states, "Bridging old and new...moving ahead together." The program to help us work together is called Connections. Key activities included extending the Alumnae Service Award to Western College Program (WCP) graduates in 2005. That same year a WCP member began attending WCAA board meetings, first as an appointed ex-officio member and then as an elected member starting in 2006. And 2005 saw the first official "all Western" reunion with attendees from both Western College and the Western College Program. Inclusion of WCP class notes in *The Bulletin* began in 2004.

None of our achievements could have happened without the hard work of the members of the board and especially the staff. They have my thanks for all the hours worked both at meetings and in between, and for being such supportive and fun colleagues that it was always a pleasure to come to Oxford.

2004

Bulletin includes **WCP alums in Class Notes** for the first time, furthering connection between "old" and "new" Western.

Voices of Freedom Summer Reunion & Conference held on Western and Miami campuses.

2005

MU offers two new **Environmental Science majors** in the School of Interdisciplinary Studies (Western College Program).

Jacky Johnson succeeds Diane Kaufman as archivist for the Western College Memorial Archives.

First annual **All-Western Reunion** welcomes all classes from both Western College and Western College Program; Alumnae Service Awards extended to include WCP alums.

MU launches multi-faceted **Finding Freedom Summer Project**.

2006

Digitization of Western Round-Up begins, in preparation for placing all issues online.

Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins '74, past national president of League of Women Voters, presents her papers to WCMA.

Western College Program loses divisional status.





The WESTERN ROUND-UP

STUDENT NEWSPAPER

VOL. I, NO. 1

WESTERN COLLEGE

OCTOBER 4, 1930

Prof, Student Counsellor Will Speak in Kumlur

Guest speaker for Sunday service in Kumlur, Minnesota, will be Robert H. Kumlur, a member of the Western College and Miami University Choir.

Dean Of Women Extends Greetings To Freshmen

Dr. Reba George, Dean of Women, will extend her greetings to the freshmen women who are entering the college this fall.

Actress-Singer, Music Expert, Delegate to UN

Dr. Reba George, actress-singer, music expert, and delegate to the United Nations, will be the guest speaker for the Sunday service in Kumlur, Minnesota.

Western, Miami Area Hosts To Conference

Western College and Miami University will host a conference on the Ohio River, and the Western College Choir will sing at the conference.

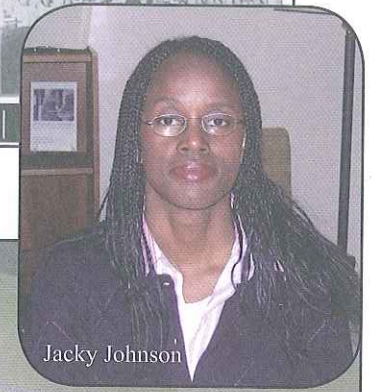
Western College Choir Broadcast Over WLW Thursday, May 23

The Western College Choir will broadcast over WLW on Thursday, May 23, at 8:00 P.M.

Bird's Eye View Of Western By James

James will give a bird's eye view of Western College in his article.

[Browse the collection](#) | [Advanced Search](#)

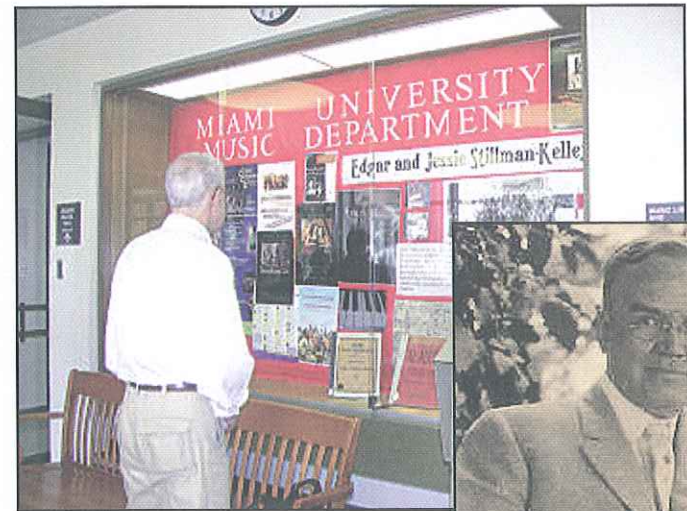




International Alumnae



Mary Jean Corbett



2006-2008 Renée Harris Yates '72

Heritage and Legacy

2006

David Hodge succeeds James Garland as MU president.

Year-long renovation of **Patterson Place porch** completed in time for Reunion 2006.

2007

Concert and lecture at MU Performing Arts Center honor **150th anniversary of Edgar Stillman Kelley's birth**.

Western's history of international emphasis celebrated at Reunion '07, "**Western Around the World.**"

Herrick B. Young International Student Scholarship created.

Trustees establish **Legacy Committee** to plan for future of WCAA.

2008

Mary Jean Corbett named interim director of the new Western College Program.

Renovation of **Presser Hall**, new home of MU Department of Music, completed.

My vision for the WCAA during my term was two-pronged, each part centered on maintaining the rich heritage and traditions of the Western College.



First, I wanted to continue to highlight Western's multicultural legacy, encouraging the incorporation of the multi-ethnic nature of American society into the college experience, creating **WORLD CITIZENS**. I spoke with Miami's International Office to encourage more international programs at Miami; Miami's international population began to grow during those years and has since increased dramatically. Our 2007 annual reunion focused on bringing international students back; we also produced a directory of former international students and created, via the reunion gift, a new endowed international scholarship in the name of President Herrick B. Young.

Second, I believed that it was time to re-start our discussion on the long-term legacy of Western College. We initiated that process by asking alumnae to complete a survey stating what they thought was most important to include. An ad hoc committee was formed to review these responses and synthesize them into goals that could be achieved in time blocks of 5, 10 and 15 years. Planning ahead to when the last Western class would celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2024, the committee outlined three goals to guide the association during the next 15 years. The full board endorsed these goals in June of 2008.

WCAA legacy goals for 2009-2024 are:

Years 1-5: Ensure that all existing WCAA scholarships are adequately endowed;

Years 5-10: Create a Western College Endowed Professorship;

Years 10-15: Establish a Western College Interactive Learning Museum in Patterson Place.

In closing, I want to say that it was a joy to work with the board and WCAA staff.

Renée Harris Yates

2008-2009 Stevie Bentzen Snook '69

Spirit and Determination

Goals: My year as president was one that witnessed a declining national economy which threatened to slow WCAA progress towards reaching the Legacy goals established during Renée Yates' term; saying it was an uneasy year would be an understatement. Thus, my primary goal was to see that we continued our forward march; the diligence and determination of all Board members working together made that task much less daunting.



Accomplishments: The most important accomplishment was the progress made in the WCAA Fifteen-Year Strategic Plan: achieving the first goal of scholarship funding and the early start on the second goal, (establishing a Western professorship to carry on our name) are a testament to us Western women.

At Reunion 2009 we launched the year-long celebration of the WCAA's 35th anniversary. Westerners celebrated the grand event in many ways: On Sunday morning Kumler Chapel was filled once again with the resonant tones of the newly restored chapel organ whose restoration was painstakingly completed by the same company which originally installed the organ. The renovations of Presser Hall were showcased at the Saturday reception where we were able to gather and reminisce about our past and share dreams of our future. The interior has been updated and the exterior given a lovely facelift.

Association efforts to locate as many former Western College faculty and staff as possible has been a top priority; updates were included in the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 *Bulletins*. As more former faculty and staff are located, their stories will also be included in future *Bulletins*.

Westerners recognized the shared histories of Western College and Miami University at Reunion 2009; taking time out from his duties at the Miami University Bicentennial festivities, President Hodge expressed his appreciation of Western College's contributions. Graduates of the Western College Program were there to continue their September 2008 celebration of the 35th anniversary of the WCP and their friendship with us.

The Western spirit and determination of Western women have always been an inspiration. It was an honor to have served as a WCAA president, playing an active role in carrying on the Western traditions. I am looking forward to many years of continued support.

Stevie Bentzen Snook

2008

Thirty-year anniversary of Heath Chime restoration celebrated with carillon concert.

WCP holds 35th anniversary reunion, inviting WC alums to attend.

WCAA Fine Arts Scholarship established.

2009

Miami University celebrates its **Bicentennial**.

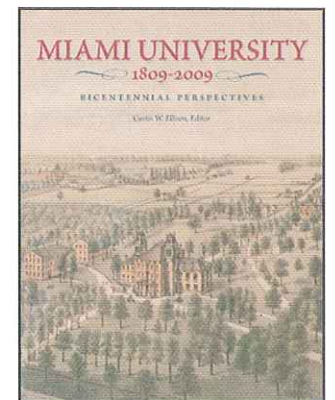
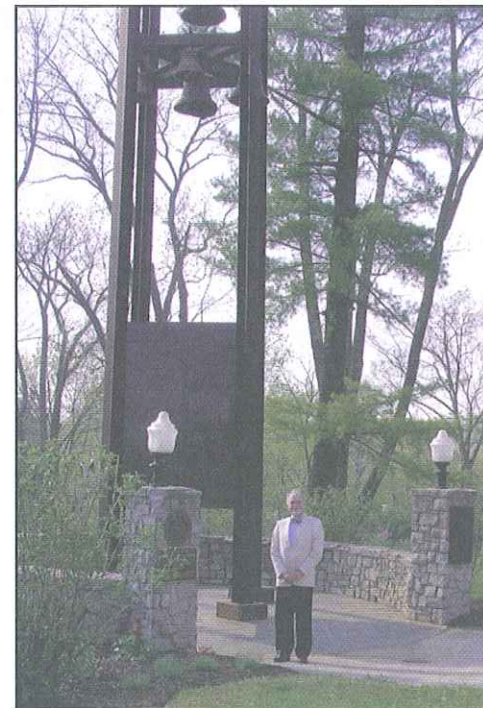
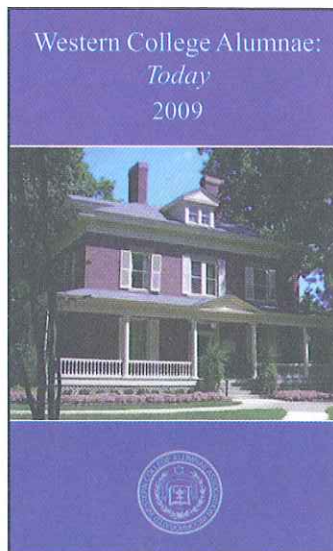
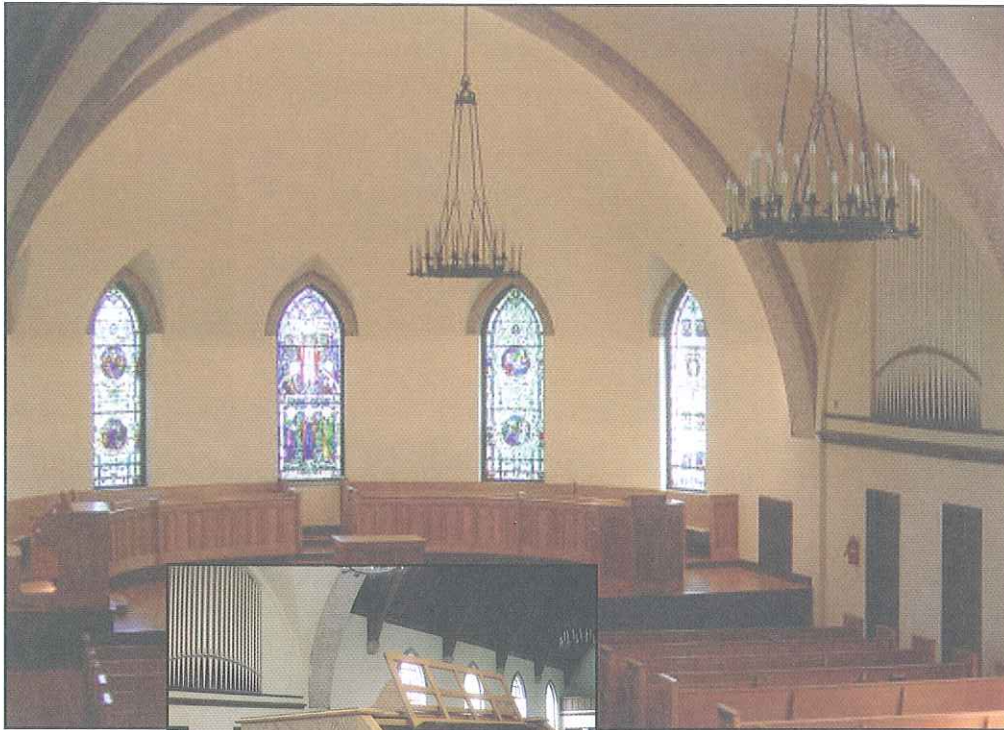
Five-year **Western Directory** published with updates and pictures.

Western College Professorship fundraising started with WCAA 35th Anniversary Reunion Gift.

Restoration of **Kumler Chapel organ** completed in time for celebratory concert at Reunion '09.

Scholarships and other educational support totaled **\$2,804,562** as of June 30.

WCAA further celebrates 35 years of incorporation with publication of ***Time Present and Time Past*** "Addendum III."



Student Scholars

When the Western College Alumnae Association, Inc. was born in 1974, the Board of Trustees' first act was to create a scholarship. That very year an International Student Scholarship was established; two years later, four Peabody Scholarships for non-traditional students were awarded. Through the years, dozens of new scholarships have been created, reflecting alumnae commitment to rewarding academic excellence, helping those in need, encouraging multicultural diversity and international exchange, stimulating student leadership, underwriting involvement in the liberal arts and fine arts, and more. **Since 1974, 759 scholarships totaling \$1,953,299 have been awarded. In the past five years alone, we have given out 381 scholarships, amounting to \$927,062.**

The primary goal of the newly formed Legacy Committee — to be accomplished first and foremost — was to ensure that all existing WCAA scholarships be adequately endowed. Although there is always more need than our current endowments generate, the committee has ensured that all areas important for continuing the tradition and heritage of Western College have perpetual scholarships.

Since we consider offering scholarship help to be one of our most significant responsibilities, we would like to give you this abbreviated personal glimpse of just a few of the recipients of your generosity.

SUSAN DIRR
*Western College Alumnae
Scholarship, 2006-10*

"With the flexibility of the Western College Program and the financial security provided by my scholarship, I have been given the rare opportunity to follow my interests and questions wherever they may lead me," writes **Susan Dirr**. Following the "question of conservation to participatory conservation in indigenous communities," she went to Chiapas, Mexico, with a group of students and there witnessed firsthand the effects of U.S. foreign policy on the lives of the native population.

As part of the Urban Leadership Internship Program, she completed an internship at an urban agriculture organization on the west side of Chicago — turning a vacant lot into a farm and working with youth from Chicago schools. Her questions continue and though she does not expect them to lead her into a high-paying career, they keep her searching and "it is this exploration which remains the center of my education," she says. Susan is convinced that her "personal and academic journey" has depended on the "critical thinking skills, rigorous writing demands, foundation in interdisciplinary studies, and community living" she has experienced in the WCP.



JENSEN HENRY
*Western College Alumnae
Scholarship, 2007-11*

A science major, **Jensen Henry** is "often reminded there is no such thing as luck." Yet "luck" is one of the few words that describe how she feels about her experience thus far at Miami. For half her life she'd had a general interest in the sciences and the goal of becoming a doctor. But at Miami she "found the area that truly clicked: biological psychology." She added a neuroscience minor to her degree plan and hopes to become a neurologist or a neurosurgeon, working with patients who have diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's — thus combining her medical degree with her passion for understanding the functions of the brain.

Jensen has taken advantage of other opportunities at Miami. After a year as a guest essayist, she took over as a full-time columnist for the campus newspaper, *The Miami Student*. Every other week, she says, she can "spew my ideas on politics, world affairs, and a multitude of other societal issues that rarely are brought up in a chemistry or zoology lab. I love having an outlet to express the other side of my character, the side that sees things as more than black-and-white formulas and theories."



SHERYL KAVETZA
*Mboya Family Multicultural
 International Scholarship, 2006-10*



Sheryl Kavetza is from Kitale, Kenya, and she hopes one day to return there ... at least in spirit. Actually, what she hopes to do in the long run is become an en-

trepreneur running her own company so that she can help with employment "back in my country." Meanwhile, with a double major in chemical engineering and paper science/engineering, she plans to get involved in engineering and manufacturing to pay her dues.

Sheryl is grateful for the scholarship that allowed her "to study away from my country, to study what I like to, meet new influential individuals and learn new activities." Currently, she is involved in the African Student Union at Miami and occasionally spends time volunteering around the community. Her undergraduate research project was "Hydrolysis and Fermentation of *Panicum virgatum* Grass, using the *Sacromyces cervisiae* yeast"; and in simpler terms, she was a member of a student research team studying synthesis of ethanol from switch grass. She's living in Peabody Hall and says she loves it!

PEGGY MCCRACKEN
*Malcolm D. Hill/
 Peabody Scholarship, 2007-09*



Oldest of three children, mother of four and grandmother of four, **Peggy McCracken** graduated from Miami summa cum laude in May 2009, earn-

ing an associate's degree in humanities. She is continuing her studies, seeking a Bachelor of Integrated Studies degree with an emphasis on Families, Gender and Society; she has completed a thematic sequence in Women's Literature and Family Studies and is taking an introductory gerontology course. She is currently considering a career working with the elderly.

Peggy worked 18 years at the *Hamilton (OH) Journal-News*, serving her last year as community editor with responsibility for the lifestyle pages in two daily and seven weekly newspapers. For more than 12 years, she wrote a weekly religion column, "In the Spirit"; most recently she did features focusing on senior issues. Before coming to the Hamilton paper, she had accumulated 17 years' experience in journalist and graphic arts at newspapers in Ohio, North Carolina and Indiana. Originally from Harrison, Ohio, Peggy lives with her family in Franklin County, Indiana.

GEORGINA NTOW
Peabody Scholarship, 2008-10

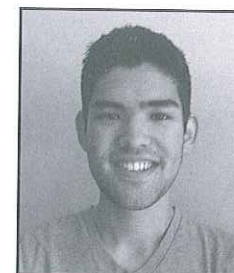


In September 2004, **Georgina Ntow** migrated to the United States from her home in Ghana, West Africa, with her husband and two children. She

had always wanted to continue her education, but found it very difficult with the limited number of universities in her country. She is extremely grateful for — in her words — "the realization of my dreams by having the opportunity to become part of your great university."

In 2008, Georgina began her studies in the Miami plan, in preparation for enrolling in the nursing program. Eventually, she hopes to work as a registered nurse for one year, then pursue the Miami University Nursing Degree Program. Her goal is to "become a registered nurse so that I will be able to render useful services to the community where I reside and the nation as a whole."

TREVOR YAMADA
*Multicultural-U.S. Scholarship,
 2008-2010*



Born and raised in Phoenix, Arizona, **Trevor Yamada** worked hard at balancing academics and his passion for music. He says, "Music is a big part of my life,

and it truly helps define who I am." Now he is appreciative of Miami's "uniquely themed residence halls" and chose to live in Collins Hall, considered the "celebrate the arts" dorm. He is taking basic math and English courses, introductory business courses and a Japanese language course — with a goal of admission to the business school. And Trevor has joined an intramural broomball team, commenting, "I have never had so much fun playing a sport!"

A defining influence in Trevor's life is his Japanese heritage. His grandparents were first generation Japanese-Americans, who shared with him their love of Japanese culture. Thus, he has developed his own sense of identity and curiosity toward his background. He visited Japan for a week during one summer while in high school, and while there gained some of his fondest memories. He hopes at Miami to pursue a major in business, a minor in Japanese and a career that will utilize both.

Appendix

OFFICERS OF THE WESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC., 2004-2009

President

Patricia E. Pinkowski '70	2004-2006
Renée Harris Yates '72	2006-2008
Stevie Bentzen Snook '69	2008-2009

First Vice President/Treasurer

Renée Harris Yates '72	2004-2006
Gail Howell Litwiler '61	2006-2008
Doris Ning Wong '62	2008-

Second Vice President

Greta Pope Wimp '74	2004-2006
Yvette Small Hohler '64	2006-2008
Barbara Williamson Wentz '68	2008-

Secretary

Mary DeJong Obuchowski '61	2004-2005
Betty Wishart Colton '51 *	2005-2006
Stevie Bentzen Snook '69	2006-2008
Jocelyn Woodson-Reed '74	2008-

TRUSTEES, 2004-2009

Mary DeJong Obuchowski '61	1999-2005
Jo Ann Fley '52	2000-2007
Beatrice Low Notley '42	2000-2006
Patricia Pinkowski '70	2000-2006
Greta Pope Wimp '74	2000-2006
Renée Harris Yates '72	2001-2008
Betty Wishart Colton '51 *	2002-2006
Yvette Small Hohler '64	2002-2008
Nana Mbelle Seshibe '70	2002-2004
Drusilla Zearley Clingman '57	2003-2006
Lawanda Powell Randall '68	2003-2005
Stevie Bentzen Snook '69	2003-2009
Martha Hall Wedeman '46	2003-2008
Barbara Williamson Wentz '68	2003-2010
Anne Mack Dean '47	2004-2008
Gail Howell Litwiler '61	2004-2008
Nancy Wilson Kobayashi '69	2005-2008
Carol Stone Lehman '67	2005-2009

Diane Wright WCP '86	2005-2009
Rita E. Greene '73	2006-
Betty Milligan Kipp '60	2006-2007
Doris Ning Wong '62	2006-
Eva Nortvedt Humbach '63	2007-
Shirley Small Osepchuk '55	2007-
Jocelyn Woodson-Reed '74	2007-
Luci Bilsland Galloway '59	2008-
Susan Berryhill Hill '63	2008-
Sally Derby Miller '56	2008-
Marcia Randlett Oder '64	2008-
Sylvia Stanfield '65	2008-
Anne Adkins Weissenborn '61	2008-

ALUMNAE SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS, 2005-2009

2005	Lucy A. Liggett '54
	Kyle W. Farley WCP '83
2006	Deborah Jeanne McDuffie '71
	Ann B. Rosenfield WCP '83
2007	Hélène Mamba-ma-Disu '72
	Rachel DeLugish Hastings WCP '94
2008	Kathleen Hayes Ransier '69
	Patrick Callahan WCP '83
2009	(No award made.)

ALUMNAE CHAPEL SPEAKERS, 2005-2009

2005	Barbara Knuth WCP '80
2006	John Rego WCP '81
2007	Ameerah Haq '71
2008	Sally Derby Miller '56
2009	Mary Ellen Thomas Forte '59

HONORARY ALUMNAE/I, 2005-2009

2008	William Gracie
------	----------------

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES, 2004-2009

'29	Frances Hall King	'72	Deborah Caprini Ott
'31	Marion Bond Evans *	'73	Christy Wines
'32	Mary Duffield Boehme	'74	Elizabeth Ann Salt
'36	Martha McCuaig Heath *	'75	Cyndie Cole
'38	Jane Noble Miller	'76	Dan Pickard
'39	Sally Ritzmann Polk *	'77	Kim Rotonto Dregalla
'40	Ruth Bertsch Stilwell	'78	Rhian Miller
'41	Suzy Allburt	'79	Thomas "Walter" Gardner
'42	Beatrice Low Notley	'80	Mary Taflinger
'43	Margaret Null Bell	'81	John Rego
'44	Crissey Simons LaRoche *	'82	Margaret Nash
'44	Nancy Meyer Elofson	'83	Ann Rosenfield
'45	Ardis Dechman Coninx	'84	Dave Wallace
'46	Dorcas Robson	'84	Dave Hertzog
'47	Anne Eberhart Kirkhoff *	'85	Madeline J. Iseli
'47	Anne Mack Dean	'86	Beth McNellie
'48	Alice Crabb Brandon	'87	Christine Rebera
'49	Jane Osgood Tatge	'88	Genelle Gatsos
'50	Diane Heckert Staub	'89	Cathy Flynn
'51	Ruth McVicker Rhodenbaugh	'90	Stuart Quirk
'52	Sue Off Schroppe	'91	Lara Osborne
'53	Cary Kimbark Revere	'92	Alice Wondrak Biel
'54	Marjorie Hamm Hanselman *	'93	Ryan Donmoyer
'54	Barbara Drake McConnell	'94	Johanna Smith
'55	Mary Sicer Moore	'95	Paul Broughton
'56	Sally Derby Miller	'96	John Blair
'57	Charlotte Knox Eberhard	'97	Rebecca Dingo
'57	Sue Mayer Falter	'98	Rodney Hancock
'58	Jennie Lou Fredley Klim	'98	Kjirsten Frank
'59	Jane Toy Thomason	'99	Hadley Schreiber Coggins
'60	Jan Sandrock MacEwen	'00	Ann Doyle-Pierce
'61	Jeanette Kirkpatrick Duvall	'00	Katie Johnson
'62	Joanne Tortoreto Corradi	'01	Isaac Bloom
'63	Debbie Hunt Perrin	'01	Vann Geondeff
'64	Evie Small Hohler	'02	Marta Roberts Lawrence
'65	Pam Eggers Gill	'03	Joy Usner
'66	Jane Graham Murphy	'04	Eric Fox
'66	Kathi Ramsey Bumblis	'05	Alison Stanton
'67	Kathy Ehrgood Sturm	'05	Abby King Kaiser
'68	Susan Blake Rowland	'06	Robyn MacConnell
'69	Nancy Wilson Kobayashi	'07	Denise Cheng
'70	Kelly Felice	'08	Pulkit Datta
'71	Deborah Fitz-Gerald Fuller *	'09	Alison Kernohan
'71	Laurie LeGrand		

* deceased

A Sample of Our Western Alums ... Continuing to Serve and Achieve



Lucy Liggett



Nick Toth



Sandra Chanis



Debbie McDuffie



Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins



Maliha Zulfacar



Ameerah Haq



Janet Dickerson-Stephens



Ginny Kantor

Lucy Liggett '54, Eastern Michigan University professor emerita, recognized for research on women pioneers in media ... **Nick Toth '74**, anthropologist/fellow of the American Institute for the Advancement of Science, founds award-winning Stone Institute at Indiana University ... **Sandra Chanis '68**, sculptor, exhibits at prestigious Fallbrook Art Center, San Diego ... **Deborah McDuffie '71**, music producer and educator, opens nonprofit Jacksonville School of Music ... **Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins '74**, former League of Women Voters president, presents papers to WCMA ... **Maliha Zulfacar '70**, appointed Afghanistan's ambassador to Germany ... **Ameerah Haq '71**, UN officer, coordinates humanitarian agencies in Sudan ... **Hélène Mambu-ma-Disu '72**, doctor/diplomat represents several African countries in WHO ... **Donna Shalala '62**, University of Miami president, awarded U.S. Medal of Freedom ... **Ann Goldstone Marcus '43**, TV writer/author, executive-produces two movies ... **Penny Colman '66**, prolific author of award-winning young people's books, appointed Distinguished Lecturer at Queens College, CUNY ... **Margaret Wilmer Bartlett '66**, international relations scholar, publishes comprehensive analysis of the complex politics in modern Cyprus ... **Kathleen Hayes Ransier '69**, Columbus, OH, attorney, serving on countless professional and community boards, recognized with awards from YWCA, NAACP ... **Eloise Gompf '42**, former WC history professor/executive secretary of the alumnae association, publishes analysis of Palestinian-Israeli conflict ... **Carl Officer '74**, former mayor of East St. Louis, IL, runs for state office ... **Sophie Ann Relson Salley '46**, longtime political activist, elected Elector at Large in the state of Virginia ... **Virginia Weckstrom Kantor '69**, performing pianist/educator at the Cleveland Institute of Music, joins staff of the Glenn Gould School of Music/Royal Conservatory of Music, Toronto ... **Janet Smith Dickerson-Stephens '65**, Princeton University vice president for campus life, speaks at MU's Black History Celebration.



Hélène Mambu-ma-Disu



Donna Shalala



Sophie Ann Salley



Carl Officer



Eloise Gompf



Kathy Ransier



Margaret Bartlett



Penny Colman



Ann Marcus

*Alumnae Weekend, June 20, 2009 ...
alums, former faculty and friends
— all together now —
launching our 35th Anniversary*



WESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, INC.