

CSP alumnotes

College Student Personnel western illinois university



College Student Personnel Makes Its Mark

Lots of exciting things have been happening since our last CSP alumni newsletter and I hope that this newsletter helps you connect to your alma mater and brings back some fun memories of your time at Western Illinois University.

This year Rosana Godinez and Brenley Devlin are the CSP Recruitment graduate assistants. Both grads can assist you or your students with any questions they may have about Western or the CSP Program. Their office number, should you want to direct a student to them (and I hope you do!) is 309-298-1183 and they are

always checking the CSP e-mail account at CSP@wiu.edu.

Along with personal e-mails and phone calls the program is going online to meet and talk with potential students. On October 20th at 6:30pm and on November 16th at 6:30 pm we will host a live online chat for any interested CSP candidates. Candidates can create a free username and ask any questions they have about the CSP program, the admission process, how to have a successful grad school search, or questions about WIU in general.

If you have a student who might benefit from chatting with current staff and students direct them to: <http://groupchat02.askadmissions.net/01/Landingpage.aspx?clientname=wiu> to log on for one of our live chats! We know that you, the alumni, are our best recruiting —tool and we want to genuinely thank you for your loyalty and dedication to this program. We hear your names daily as people apply to the program on the recommendation of your experience, and we want you to know how much we appreciate your constant and continued support through the outstanding students you send in this direction. Remember all application materials for Fall 2010 must be processed by **February 1, 2010!!** Encourage your students to apply now!

We are working very hard already to plan and prepare for CSP Days. Western is one of the best and most talked about CSP programs in the nation! This year's CSP Days will be Feb 18-20th and March 20-22nd. Remember your alumni donations help fund this experience. A donation of just \$50 can sponsor a candidate to participate in the CSP Days program.

Finally, as many of you know Dea will be retiring at the end of this academic year.



The 2010-2011 CSP team
Brenley Devlin, Sara Lytle, Rosana Godinez



Tracy and I will be arranging some special things to help celebrate her time at Western Illinois University. We will be contacting all alumni about her retirement celebrations so be sure your contact information is up to date. You can update your contact information electronically at: <http://www.wiu.edu/alumni/updates/index.php> We are also starting to collect your memories of Dea, Happy Retirement Wishes, and photos for a scrapbook gift. If you would like to contribute to this retirement gift please send us your contributions electronically.

If you need anything, I am always happy to visit with any WIU Alum to help or catch up!

Sara (Watterson) Lytle ('02) can be reached by phone at 309.298.1183 or email at SM-Lytle@wiu.edu

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Dea's Final Farewell



Dea Forney

Greetings!

It is my pleasure to send you my regards one final time! As you may know, I will be retiring from the WIU CSP program at the end of the academic year. I very much value the 24 years I have spent here. While I enjoyed my time as a practitioner, I had a desire to try out being a faculty member. I was fortunate enough to have been offered two faculty positions. Going with my gut, I chose WIU. I made a good decision! The CSP program here has been a

great fit. I have had the privilege of working with excellent colleagues and outstanding students. I have experienced challenge and support.

To you alums, I say thanks for making the graduate teaching experience all I hoped it could be. While scholarship has always been important to me and while I enjoy writing, etc., I have considered teaching to be my priority as well as the most rewarding part of my job. Being a part of the learning process for approximately 500 graduate students has been amazingly memorable.

As I go through my last year here, it is kind of strange to know that I am doing many things for the last time. And I have made a commitment to retiring *from* the job, not retiring *on* the job. Of course, I will miss the CSP program. At the same time, I am looking forward to spending more time with my family, especially my seven year-old niece, who has been asking me for over two years when I am going to move back to Pennsylvania and live in my townhouse. (Her room is the only one in the place that is already completely furnished!) I am also looking forward to having more time for

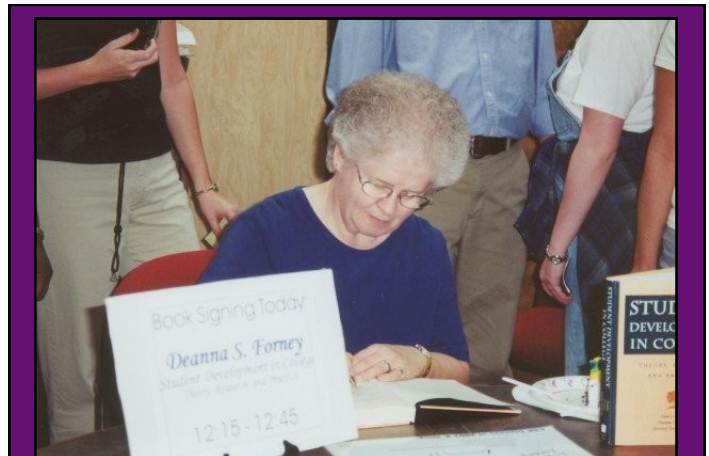
music, movies, TV, reading, and walking. Despite the great suggestion by some alums at last year's WIU social at NASPA (you know who you are!), I am probably not going to be driving around the country in an old Volkswagen bus visiting alums and consulting with your staff. (Does anyone remember the Partridge family?)

Having begun the process of cleaning out my house (no small task) and my office (even scarier), I have often stopped to reflect on a memory triggered by an item I hadn't seen in a while. Know that my thoughts are with you now, and they will be in the future also. Your good work as contributors to our profession will always make me proud. I thank you for all you do and for being someone I had the chance to get to know because of our shared time at WIU. I know the CSP program will remain one of the best in the country. Your effectiveness is a big reason why.

I am planning to attend ACPA in Baltimore and hope to see many of you there. And for those who may be wondering, the CD count is at almost 1600.

My best always. Take care and keep on truckin'!

Fondly,
Dea



Dea attends her 'book signing' in 2001. The new edition of Dea's book is still used in many CSP programs today!

Have a fond memory of your time with Dea?

Send it our way! We are collecting memories of Dea's time at Western Illinois University and would love to include yours!

Please email any fun memories and pictures to:

csp@wiu.edu



Greetings from Tracy



Tracy Davis

In separate conversations I've had this semester with Garry Johnson and Dea Forney, each has commented on the quality of the discussion and professionalism exhibited by the group of first year CSP students. While this is in many ways a statement about the group itself, it's also evidence of the care you have for your WIU CSP Program and the commitment our alums make to referring high

quality candidates. Thank you; our program would suffer without your efforts.

If you currently have students you would like us to contact or send information, please email one of our CSP Recruitment Team members: Brenley Devlin or Rosana Godinez at csp@wiu.edu. They are currently supervised by Sara Lytle who continues to provide strong leadership as CSP Program Manager.

I personally have been involved in several exciting projects over the past year. I have a book published by Routledge coming out in March, along with my good friend and colleague, Jason Laker, entitled *Masculinities in Higher Education: Theoretical and Practical Considerations*. I will also be traveling to the University of Northern Illinois, the UMR-ACUHO conference, and the College of Lake County this fall where I will serve as a featured speaker. I also wanted you to know that I am in the process of establishing a Center for the Study of Masculinities and Men's Development at WIU, and am writing grants and searching for funding. If anyone has interest in this project, please let me know. My values remain firmly rooted in social justice and I look forward to serving in these capacities.

The biggest news regarding the CSP Program is the retirement of my colleague and friend, Dea Forney. Please join me in honoring her commitment and service to this CSP Program over the past several decades. Be on the

lookout for opportunities on the WIU campus and national association meetings to join us in celebrating her work. We have already begun a national search and although we have very big shoes to fill, I'm confident we will find a strong candidate. Feel free to contact me if you have referrals or would like me to send you a position announcement.

Finally, I wanted to extend a big THANK YOU to everyone who has made contributions to the CSP program. Your generous donations allow us to offer an array of scholarships, provide transportation for students to conferences, support conference gatherings, and contribute towards WIU CSP Summer Institute. Sara and I recently reviewed the costs of recruiting a student during CSP Days and discovered it takes about \$50.00 to provide meals, accommodations and an on-campus experience for each candidate. Although these are difficult economic times, please consider supporting a candidate by responding to a letter you will soon receive.

I will once again be in Oshkosh in March and possibly both NASPA and ACPA this spring and I look forward to seeing many of you. Also, please consider returning to your Alma Mater this summer for the WIU CSP Summer Institute.

Tracy's a Diamond Honoree!

Recently, the CSP program found out that ACPA has selected Tracy as a Diamond Honoree! Each year, ACPA selects a few professionals for their outstanding and dedicated contributions to higher education and to student affairs.

As an honoree, funds are raised in Tracy's name to help promote ACPA's goals and mission. Since the program was established in 1999, over \$100,000 has been raised in honor of those selected.

Want to donate on Tracy's behalf? Head over to:
<https://payments.auctionpay.com/ver3/?id=W045932> to donate now!

Congratulations Tracy!!

Notes from the Vice President for Student Services



W. Garry Johnson

Fall 2010 has been a fantastic semester of creating new opportunities for our students. The First Camp Leatherneck was held for 93 incoming freshmen before classes started. This three-day retreat was designed by a few College Student Personnel second year graduate students to help students improve their leadership skills in order to get involved as a leader at Western Illinois

University. The Camp Leatherneck leaders were involved in IHC and other student groups on campus. This was a great way to help students with their transition into college by finding support in one another.

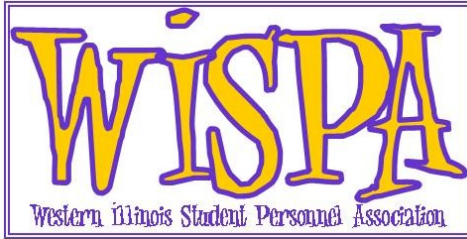
Renovations and new buildings are continuing to help enhance WIU. The Wright House, our Veterans Resource Center, was opened and demonstrates our commitment to those who have served our country. WIU was named for the second consecutive year, as a "Military Friendly School." The Memorial Hall renovation is set to be completed in December 2010. Career Services, Disability Support Services, University Counseling Center, and University Advising and Academic Services Center will then return to the building. A renovation of the entrance of the University Union is also in

progress. This new entrance will include an elevator that will now extend to the third floor of the Union.

We have had a few staff changes this year. Some of our staff members have left for retirement and greater career opportunities. Associate Athletic Director, Dwaine Roche, retired after nearly 25 years of working in Athletics and Sean McDonough has taken over his position. Director of Admissions, Eric Campbell, resigned and Al Harris was named Associate Vice President and Director of Admissions through June 2011 when he will retire from Western Illinois University. Ann Comerford was named Director of the University Union. John Beirnsbaum was named Associate Vice President of Student Services. Mary Kubasak, Assistant Director for Volunteer Services, retired after over twenty years of service to WIU. Director of Financial Aid, Bill Bushaw, retired after twenty-years of service to WIU and Bob Andersen was named Director of Financial Air. On a very sad note, Tara Chambers, of the Vice President for Student Services' office was killed in an accident in August. She will be missed by everyone in the Division.

Jessica Butcher, Assistant to the Vice President for Student Services, has been working diligently to improve Community Relations. She has also been named the new chair of Community-University Partnership Program (CUPP). The fall semester has been exciting for the Division of Student Services. We look forward to seeing many of you at the ACPA conference in Baltimore or the NASPA conference in Philadelphia. If you are near town, don't forget to stop by and say hello! We always love to hear from you!





SPOTLIGHT



Michelle Howe
WISPA President

The Western Illinois Student Personnel Association (WISPA) is gearing up for another fantastic year of meetings, professional development, socials, and fun! WISPA started off the year with the Welcome Back CSPicnic at Sara (Watterson) Lytle's (CSP Program Manager) house the first week of the fall semester. It was a great opportunity for the second-year CSP students to welcome the first-year students to the CSP program and Western Illinois University. We have also supported Mud Volleyball and Big Pink Volleyball, philanthropic events on campus, by having a team compete in each of the tournaments.

The remainder of the semester will be filled with various socials and professional development opportunities. Our Professional Development chair, Matt Nelson, will be starting the planning of an etiquette dinner for all CSP students. This dinner is a great way to learn proper dining etiquette for conferences and upcoming job interviews for the second-year students. Matt has also been working

hard organizing the Practicum Panel and Internship Panel coming up the next couple of months for the first year students (if you have any information about possible internship experiences for CSP students for the summer of 2010, please email Matt Nelson at MS-Nelson@wiu.edu). Our social chair, Ian Van Anden, has also been busy planning various social events for the semester, such as Big Pink Volleyball. Ian will also be starting a committee to plan the 1st Year Appreciation Party to honor the newest grads in the CSP program.

So far this semester, we have held two general assembly meetings. At our first meeting, we held elections for the 1st Year Liaison. Brenley Devlin will work hard to get the opinions of her cohort heard during our executive board meetings. Our upcoming meetings will include an informational meeting on professional conferences and organizations, an article discussion, and a possible case study activity. Alex Cameron, our Treasurer, has started collecting dues, which go towards the various activities that we host. Rachel Aho, our Secretary, has been busy taking minutes of all meetings and distributing them to the members, as well as creating many documents that we use in our meetings. Our Historian, Kara Zarnoch, is continuing to hold scrapbooking nights to update the WISPA scrapbook started last year. Travis Schilla, our Vice-President, is planning on starting a constitution committee to review our constitution again this year. Last semester, the Vice-President's duties in the constitution changed to add "civic engagement" to the responsibilities of the office, so Travis organized a campus clean-up

project during one of our meetings last semester. Lastly, but not least, our advisor Dea Forney keeps us in line at all of our meetings and offers a great perspective when we are discussing various issues.

If you have any questions or feedback about WISPA, feel free to contact me at MC-Howe@wiu.edu.



Top to bottom: the 2010 WISPA Executive Board; WISPA members play Mud Volleyball and Big Pink Volleyball.

Assistantship Sites - 2012 Cohort



Front row (L to R): Brent Ploughe, Kim McElhany, Amanda Carls, Vladimir Charles, Chris Firlik, Rosana Godinez, Brenley Devlin
Second row (L to R): Amanda Cashman, Eric Jaburek, Jeremy Holmolka, Bri Newhouse, Bill Tehan, Jenn Sanders, Kelly Carew, Marlon Blake
Back row (L to R): Niki Bisang, Aaron Hill, Roxie Tucker, Molly McKeogh, Emily Fairchild

- Niki Bisang UHDS - Bayliss/Henninger Halls
- Marlon Blake Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center
- Kelly Carew UHDS - Linc/Wash/Grote Halls
- Amanda Carls OSA - Volunteer Services
Delta Zeta House Director
- Amanda Cashman UHDS - Tanner Hall
- Vladimir Charles OSA - Greek Life
- Brenley Devlin CSP Recruitment
Sigma Sigma Sigma House Director
- Emily Fairchild Women's Center
Chi Omega House Director
- Chris Firlik Career Services
- Rosana Godinez CSP Recruitment
- Aaron Hill UHDS - Higgins Hall
- Jeremy Homolka UHDS - Linc/Wash/Grote Halls
- Eric Jaburek UHDS - Thompson Hall
- Kim McElhany OSA - Student Government
- Molly McKeogh Campus Recreation
- Brianna Newhouse UHDS - Thompson Hall
- Brent Plough Student Development and Orientation
- Jenn Sanders OSA - University Union Board
Sigma Kappa House Director
- Bill Tehan UHDS - Tanner Hall
- Roxie Tucker UHDS - Higgins Hall

Summer Internship Sites - 2011 Cohort

- Rachel Aho.... Wagner College, New York University
- AJ Busard..... Western Illinois University
- Alex Cameron Texas Christian University
- Rob Carroll... University of North Carolina - Asheville
- Alison Chapman..... Western Illinois University
- Amanda Davis University of Nevada - Las Vegas
- Drew Donahoo SUNY- Brockport
- Jack Hadlich Pennsylvania of Technology
- Amanda Halfacre Concordia University Chicago
- Tara Hardison Indiana University Southeast
- Chris Lewis..... Purdue University Calumet
- Michelle Howe Western Illinois University
- Allison Morgan..... North Carolina State
- Jessica Mueller..... Western Illinois University
- Matt Nelson..... Philadelphia University
- Sam Perkins Creighton University
- Ally Randolph..... University of Central Missouri
- Travis Schilla University of Louisville
- Jordan Turner..... Rice University
- Ian Van Anden Bentley University



Front row (L to R): Tara Hardison, Amanda Davis, Michelle Howe, Ally Randolph, AJ Busard
Second row (L to R): Michelle Weiner, Jordan Turner, Chris Lewis, Amanda Halfacre, Rachel Aho, Alison Chapman, Alex Cameron, Allison Morgan, Jack Hadlich
Back row (L to R): Rob Carroll, Matt Nelson, Ian Van Anden, Jessica Mueller, Sam Perkins, Drew Donahoo, Kara Zarnoch, Travis Schilla

Homecoming 2010: 2010 Reasons to Love Purple and Gold

Homecoming week began with a partnership between UUB and the Alumni House where students, faculty, and staff painted the paws on University Dr. and Western Ave. to guide alumni back to campus. The weekend followed with the annual Paint the Town, where students painted windows in the Macomb square. Later, students "decked the campus" by painting doors and windows on campus.

On **Monday**, over 500 students cheered on the Lady Leather-necks at the volleyball match vs. EIU.



Tuesday, students participated in the Variety Show and were welcomed to Homecoming 2010 by President Goldfarb.

Wednesday, they created boats out of cardboard and raced them across the lake in Everly Park.



Yell Like Hell took place on **Thursday** where students created cheers to stir excitement for the upcoming football game. The football team and coaches, Marching Leathernecks, and cheerleaders made a special appearance.

Saturday ended homecoming 2010 with the Parade with over 80 participants, and the Leathernecks football team brought home a win against Indiana State later that afternoon.



Homecoming 2010 Winners

Did you belong to or advise any of these clubs while here at WIU? Take a look at some of the winners from Homecoming 2010 events and see if they placed!

Boat Regatta

Small Organizations

- 1st: Student Honors Association

Large Organizations

- 1st: Phi Sigma Sigma, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Gamma Sigma
- 2nd: Delta Zeta, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Tau Gamma
- 3rd: ROTC

Residence Halls

- 1st: Tanner Hall
- 2nd: Higgins Hall
- 3rd: Bayliss and Henninger Halls

Yell Like Hell

Small Organizations

- 1st: House Arrest II
- 2nd: Black Student Association

Large Organizations

- 1st: Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Sigma Tau, Sigma Chi
- 2nd: (there was a tie) Delta Upsilon, Delta Zeta Sigma Tau Gamma tied with Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Gamma Sigma, and Phi Sigma Sigma
- 3rd: Delta Sigma Phi, Sigma Sigma Sigma, and Theta Xi

Residence Halls

- 1st: Thompson Hall
- 2nd: Tanner Hall
- 3rd: Lincoln, Washington, and Grote Halls

Overall Homecoming Winners

Small Organization

- 1st: Campus Students for Christ
- 2nd: House Arrest 2
- 3rd: WAVE

Large Organization

- 1st: Sigma Sigma Sigma, Delta Sigma Phi, Theta Xi
- 2nd: Delta Zeta, Sigma Tau Gamma, Delta Upsilon
- 3rd: Phi Sigma Sigma, Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Gamma Sigma

Residence Hall

- 1st: Tanner Hall
- 2nd: Thompson Hall
- 3rd: Lincoln, Washington, and Grote Halls

Mark your calendars for
Homecoming 2011:
September 22-October 1!

Alumna Introduces New Scholarship for Current CSP Students

As of spring 2010, a new scholarship opened up for current College Student Personnel students. This scholarship, funded by notable alum Michael Shonrock ('81) and his wife, Karen Shonrock, is awarded to two students who demonstrate exceptional potential as professionals in a field through values-oriented and strengths-based leadership, collaborative professional practice, and academic merit. Currently, Rachel Aho, a second year student, has been selected as the first recipient; the first year student choice is still being considered.

Michael, who graduated from Western Illinois University in 1979 with a B.S. in Geography, also received his Masters of Science in College Student Personnel from WIU in 1981. Michael also received his Ed.S in Community College Administration while serving as Director of Student Life at Pittsburg State University. During his time at the University of Kansas, Michael also earned his Ph.D. in Higher

Education Administration. Since receiving his Masters, Michael has worked in Illinois, Kansas, and Missouri before landing at Texas Tech University, where he currently serves as the Vice President for Student Affairs and an Associate Professor in the College of Education.

Although Michael graduated from the program almost 30 years ago, the skills and experiences he gained from WIU have stayed with him. This scholarship will help reward current CSP students on their dedication, leadership, and professional work.



Dr. Michael D. Shonrock,
CSP Alumnus Class of 1981



SAVE THE DATE:

June 23-24, 2011

Western Illinois University

Watch the Website for more details and registration information:
<http://www.student.services.wiu.edu/vpss/>

“Follow” Us Wherever We Go!



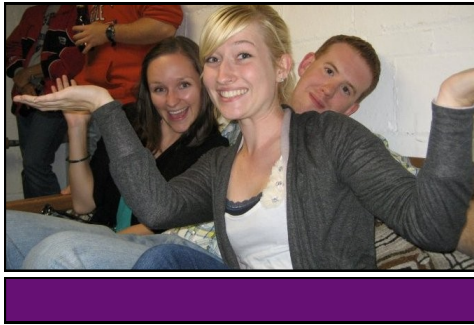
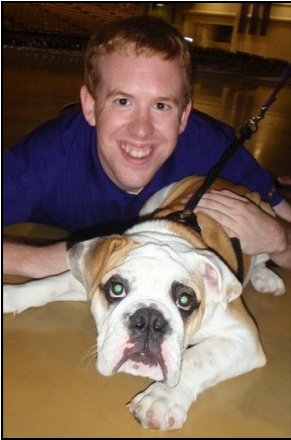
You can find CSP connections on some of the most popular social media sites around. On Facebook, you can join a CSP group and connect with other alums to see what they have been up to lately. You can also follow the CSP Twitter account and see what the current grads have going on. Join in the fun and make those connections today!

On Facebook, search: **WIU College Student Personnel Program**

On Twitter, search: **WIU_CSP**

See you there!

Just a Glimpse: CSP Snapshots



Shared Alumni Updates

Job Updates

- **Consuelo V. Frederick Ballom ('94)** accepted a position as Director of Student Life and Multicultural Affairs at Prairie State College.
- **Leonard Brown ('97)** accepted a position as Dean of Students at Dickinson College.
- **Dale Doty ('73)** accepted a position as the Vice President of Academic Affairs at Florence-Darlington Technical College.
- **Matt Melvin ('93)** accepted a position as Associate Vice Provost at the University of Kansas.
- **Autumn McGee Scott ('06)** accepted a position as an Admissions Representative at Monmouth College.

Retirements

- **Michael P. Reger ('70)** is retiring from the field of higher education after 30 years of service; he is currently the Administrative Vice President at South Dakota State University.

Education

- **Dan Calhoun ('00)** received his Ph.D. at University of North Carolina Greensboro. His dissertation was titled, "Exploring the Impact of Identity on Experiences of Entry-Level Men in Student Affairs."
- **Kathy Hopgood ('93)**, Director for Residential Life for University Housing, co-authored "Growing Season," an article published in the March-April edition of *Talking Stick*, ACUHO-I's official magazine.

Partnerships

- **Lindsay (Lenane) Adolphs ('10)** and **Chris Adolphs** were married on May 22, 2010.

Recent Graduate Placements

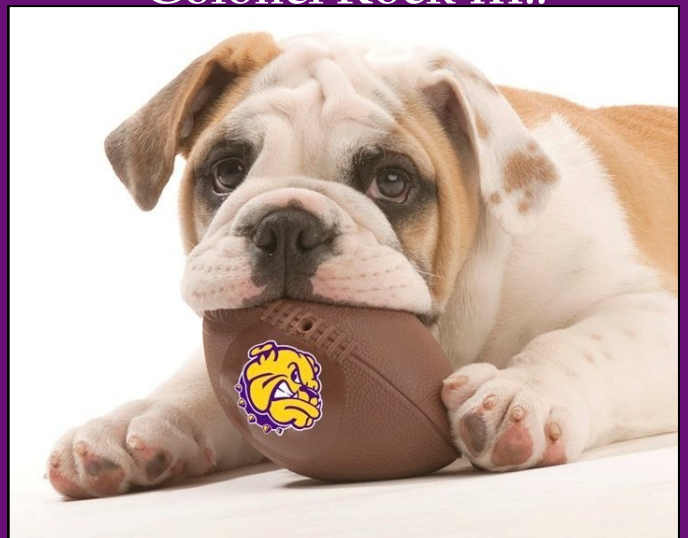
- **Mollie Allred ('10)** is at Ball State University.
- **Ashlee Baker-Whipple ('10)** is at Iowa Wesleyan College.
- **Mark Carbonara ('10)** is at North Central College.
- **Theoria Cason ('10)** is at Cornell University.
- **Jenny Douglas ('10)** is at Elmhurst College.
- **David Downing ('10)** is at University of Minnesota.
- **Ellen Engh ('10)** is at Millikin University.
- **Mandi Hulme ('10)** is at Creighton University.
- **Courtney James ('10)** is at University of Central Oklahoma.
- **Alandis Johnson ('10)** is at University of Iowa.
- **Katherine Knutsen ('10)** is at Pacific Lutheran University.
- **Joelle Khairallah ('10)** is at University of Iowa.
- **Lindsay (Lenane) Adolphs ('10)** is at Clarke University.
- **Adam Ludwig ('10)** is at University of Wisconsin – Stout.
- **Heather McCoy ('10)** is at Kishwaukee College.
- **Abby McLaughlin ('10)** is at St. Ambrose University.
- **Alison Myers ('10)** is at Washington University.
- **Craig Orcholski ('10)** is at Mesa State University.
- **Orterio Villa ('10)** is at Miami University.

Keep in touch!

If your personal or professional life has changed or if we have not been in contact, please feel free to pick up the phone or email us to let us know what you are doing or if you have relocated. We would love to hear from you!

Update us at csp@wiu.edu or (309) 298-1623

Meet "Rocky": Colonel Rock III!!



Become a fan of Rocky on Facebook! Just search for: Colonel Rock III "Rocky"