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Alumni & Students Help Dr. Wes Celebrate 82nd Birthday

September 2012

Last Saturday, I introduced a group of Taylor students from English Hall to **Dr. Wes Gerig g51** to help celebrate his 82nd birthday. It was great seeing **Tim g81 and Jeannie (Gerig) g78 Johnson**, who have returned from 25 years of ministry with TEAM in Japan, and **Dr. Laura (Rich) Gerig g91**, former TUFW professor, who were also at the house. We sang Happy Birthday in three different languages – English, Japanese and Korean, which Dr. Wes enjoyed due to his travels.



In his thank you, Dr. Wes wrote, "It was good to have some wholesome Christian college girls in this house once again." The women from English Hall were inspired by his story of nearly being killed at the age of two at his Uncle Cyril's wedding, amazed at his humility despite all of his accomplishments, and grateful for his interest in them.

Thank you to those on Facebook who sent the 40 Happy Birthday wishes we delivered.

FW Celebrates! 2012 Registration Deadline Nears



Alumni and friends of the Fort Wayne campus will return next Friday and Saturday, September 28 & 29 for *Fort Wayne Celebrates!* The weekend will include a special chapel with **Dr. Jay Kesler g58** speaking, an alumni social time to be followed a fellowship meal, and Music & Memories primarily for the members of the Class of 1962, who will be celebrating their 50th reunion. On Saturday, specialty reunions for those who were *Professional Writing* or *Social Work* majors will be held (please register, even though there is no charge for these reunions or the chapel).

Plenty of time will be given for alumni of all ages to catch up and to just spend time together during *Fort Wayne Celebrates!* Registration is now available at tw.taylor.edu. If you do not feel comfortable in registering online, [click here](#), and you can download a paper registration form to mail in - but hurry! The only charge, outside of those coming both days for the Class of 1962 reunion is the Friday night Fellowship Meal. We need your response **no later than Monday, September 24.**

Volunteers Update Missionary List



Two months ago, the Resource Center requested in the *FW Falcon* and on our *FW Alumni & Friends Resource Center Facebook* site the names of alumni who have served as missionaries for at least one year.

You responded by sending in hundreds of names. **Jan (Schumacher) Logan g68**, a missionary with World Partners USA and her daughter, **Marci (Logan) Tuckey g92**, worked with **Dr. Jay Platte g69** to compile the names from alumni, the old missions board formerly in Witmer Hall, and a booklet produced for the 2009 commencement. Now, we need your help again, as we have put this list up for your review in our *Archive Vault*. *Who have we missed? What names or years have we misunderstood?* This is a work in process, so please help by email, phone or mail by October 31, 2012.

Hope to see you next week - We care, we celebrate,

Michael

Michael D. Mortensen g91
Director of Fort Wayne Alumni & Friends Relations



Christmas gifts!

P.S. The air is getting cooler and winter is coming. Get prepared, buy a FWBC, SCC or TUFW sweat shirt or hoodie today from the *Fort Wayne Online Store*. It's never too soon to be thinking of



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- Remodeling continues in Witmer Hall and the new Learning Center (formerly Calvin H. English Library). More information about its use will be announced at a news conference in early October. Meanwhile, missionaries have moved into the Clyde Taylor house for the coming year, and a new Ambassador employee and his family are now living in Brown Gables. It's great seeing these buildings being put to use and students returning to campus.



- In response to an alumni survey, we are in the process of adjusting our web site to meet the needs and wishes of our alumni. More current news will be available on the front page along with more prominent *News Notes*. Additionally, we are working on forums for those who home school and those with children with special needs. If you have any further suggestions of what you would like to see, or if you would like to help write content (our biggest need), please email alumnifw@taylor.edu.
- **Linda (Mason) Hood g67** died suddenly on Thursday, September 13, 2012. Linda was a member of the inaugural Singing Collegians. [Click here for more information.](#)
- **Bo g02 and Ashley Holden** welcomed June Claire on September 17 at 7:49 p.m. Their precious little girl was 7.12 lbs. and 20.5 inches long. For more *News Notes*, please [click here](#).

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Monday – 8 to 5 p.m.
Tuesday – Generally Closed
Wednesday – 8 to 5 p.m.
Thursday – 8 to 5 p.m.
Friday – 8 to 5 p.m.

Or by appointment (parking available in back).

Are we up-to-date?

Please let us know if any of your contact information has changed so that we can stay in touch with you.

You can update your information by giving us a call or email. Note: If you share an email address with your spouse, only one of your names will appear above.

If we can help you in any way, please contact the Alumni & Friends Resource Center at (260) 744-8790 during regular business hours or e-mail alumnifw@taylor.edu anytime!