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April 2015



Spring has finally sprung along Rudisill Blvd. The grass is greening up and daffodils have started to poke their heads out of the mulch. Recently we welcomed several former faculty, staff, friends, and alumni to a reception. As one of the guests later wrote, *"the time was amazing, enriching, and refreshing... my tank was refilled."* No matter the season, we hope you will stop by soon... you'll be glad you did! Here is the latest:

### Ron Williams g87 to Speak at Homecoming

Ron Williams g87, lead pastor of Pathway Community Church, Fort Wayne, will provide devotions during Homecoming 2015. The weekend where we *reconnect, reminisce, and rejoice* will be held back on campus **September 18 and 19**. Pastor Ron will speak during a special time for our entire community on **Saturday beginning at 11 a.m.** in the Eicher Student Commons. Between now and then, please pray for Ron and Laura (Saxton) g87, as she is fighting breast cancer.



Last year 300+ attended Homecoming, and we anticipate a similar number this fall when we welcome everyone but especially celebrate the **classes of 1965 and 1975, the 80s decade, 1990, the classes of 2005 and forward, and HIS Company** for reunions. For more information, [click here](#).

### Alumni Survey Asks for Feedback



The Alumni Council is continuing to work on a Strategic Plan facilitated by **Char (Miller) Binkley g64**. Your input is valued as we complete the Strategic Plan. Your responses are confidential and very important to the fulfillment of our mission. [Click here](#) to take the five-minute survey!

### AWP Transforms Gerig Activities Center

The Fort Wayne campus continues to receive upgrades as more organizations call The **Alumni & Friends Resource Center** home. AWP (**Alumni With Purpose**) recently moved into the Gerig Activities Center that received an extensive facelift. [Click here](#) to read the latest and see pictures of the improvements.



### Seminar to Help Nonprofits & Ministries

Do you work for a nonprofit, ministry, or social entrepreneurship where you serve others to make a difference? Taylor is hosting its second annual **Faith, Philanthropy, & Change** seminar this **June 8 and 9**. [Click here](#) for more information.

### As You Pray

As you pray, please remember the following:

- Former psychology professor **Dr. Laura Gerig's** father passed away. [Click here](#) to leave condolences.
- The Alumni Council is working on our strategic plan.
- The Alumni Center will need approximately \$30,000 between now and May 31, 2015.

*We Celebrate, because Jesus is Risen!*

*Michael*

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



P.S. With spring arriving, it is time to purchase a new campus t-shirt to show your college pride. [Click here](#) to see our current selection. Show your FWBC, SCC, or TUFW spirit!



### Along Rudisill...

- Postcards just went out to members of the Class of 1965, HIS Company, and the Class of 1990. Did you receive yours?
- The Alumni Council and the Strategic Planning Team is meeting **Saturday, April 18**. Your prayers are appreciated!
- The Alumni Center is looking for a volunteer to write thank notes and cards of encouragement. If you would consider this volunteer position, please email [rcm@fwalumni.org](mailto:rcm@fwalumni.org).
- You may be interested to know that **Jim Harbaugh**, the new University of Michigan football coach, and **Urban Meyer**, the Ohio State football coach, will be on campus this summer for an AWP release event.
- In the past four three months, our Alumni Volunteer Prayer Team has prayed for 65 prayer requests. If you have a request or would like to join this group of 30, email [alumni@fwalumni.org](mailto:alumni@fwalumni.org) or [765-744-8790](tel:7657448790).
- Many of you have LIKED our FW Alumni & Friends Resource Center Facebook page, but now we need you to take the next step of clicking on **"Following"** or **"Get Notifications"** on our page. Otherwise, the updates may not appear in your newsfeed. Stay connected!
- Jayne (Hanni) Shady fs74** was just awarded the Quality Service Pinnacle Award for 2014. This awards recognizes Jayne for outstanding customer service as a Realtor.
- Heather (Schultz) g08** and **Ryan Detzner** welcomed Isaac March 29. He weighed 6 lbs 9 oz and was 19 inches long.
- For more *News Notes* or to submit a *News Note*, please [click here](#) or go to *Current News*. We especially want to see your baby announcements. We have a small gift for those of you who send us the announcement and a picture.

### Events...

- Fort Wayne Reunions Event – **April 21 @ Fortezza Coffee**
- Homecoming 2015 – **September 18 & 19** on campus
- Alumni Gatherings with Taylor – [Click here!](#)
- More to Come...*

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Or by appointment (parking in back).

*if we can help you in any way, please contact the Alumni & Friends Resource Center at (260) 744-8790 during regular business hours or email me anytime!*