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The Fort Wayne FALCON

★ We Care, Connect, and Celebrate! ★



A publication of the
Fort Wayne
Alumni Center

December 2015



Along Rudisill...

- The Summit has constructed a new outdoor patio gathering area outside of the Eicher Commons. It is not fully completed, but it will be this next spring. See pictures on [Fort Wayne Alumni Connection Facebook page](#) Friday, December 4. Speaking of Facebook, did you see who we [featured earlier today?](#)
- Former Fort Wayne Business Instructor Gary Cooper has opened an office called the Sagamore Institute in the former English Library at The Summit. As the Kingdom Renewal Fund Director, Gary will focus on community renewal, neighborhood revitalization, and research.
- Ninety alumni and friends attended our first Scripture Engagement Seminar November 7 in the Eicher Commons. The response was so positive, we have scheduled the next one for **Saturday, March 12**. Watch the *Falcon* or our [website](#) for additional information.
- The *Fort Wayne Vine*, our mini-magazine, was just mailed Wednesday along with thank you notes to all who gave in the last 12 months. If for some reason you do not receive your copy or a note, please email alumnifw@taylor.edu.

- **Michael g07 and Jenn (Logue) g06 Sprunger** announced the birth of Myriam Grace, born November 29. She weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz. and measured 20 inches long. She joins Eden, who thinks she pretty cool, too.
- **Myron "Mike" Harrison g66** passed away on September 9, 2015. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, **Betty g65**, and their three children. The Harrisons had served as missionaries in the Philippines with OMF International.
- For more *News Notes* or to submit a *News Note*, please [click here](#) or go to *Current News* [here](#). 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...

- Alumni Gatherings with Taylor – [Click here!](#)
- *More to Come...*

Submit & Read News Notes:
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Online Giving:
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Alumni Center Hours:
Monday – 9 to 5 p.m.
Tuesday – Generally Closed
Wednesday – 12 to 4 p.m.
Thursday – 9 to 5 p.m.
Friday – 9 to 5 p.m.

Or by appointment (parking in back).

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

Hope you had a blessed Thanksgiving! Do you have any special Thanksgiving or Christmas traditions? While Thanksgiving has passed, we're still giving thanks at the Alumni Center for beautiful sunsets as we exit in the evening (note the new patio area).

Here is other news for you to connect:

Giving Thanks by the Numbers

Stephanie (Cox) Demorest g93, program assistant, and I, along with our volunteers, have much for which to give thanks during this season. Here is what we call *Thanksgiving by the Numbers*. At the Fort Wayne Alumni Center, we are giving thanks to the **ONE** true God who has been faithful in providing **seven** years of caring for Fort Wayne alumni! We also give thanks...

- for **31** who serve as a consistent volunteer prayer team (room for **YOU** on this team!)
- for **62** volunteers who have served since June 2015 (will **YOU** join as a [volunteer?](#))
- for **90** who attended our first [Scripture Engagement Seminar](#) (room for **YOU** on **March 12, 2016!**)
- For **105** years (1904-2009) of a campus that sent alumni around the world to faithfully serve our Lord (so grateful for **YOU!**)
- for **200** who returned for Homecoming 2015 (room for **YOU** next year!)
- for **1,936** hours volunteered (we could use **YOU** in Fort Wayne or from your home in the coming year!)
- for **7,437** living alumni and graduates we are here to serve (always here for **YOU!**)
- for meeting our fiscal budget at end of last fiscal year, May 31, 2015 (will **YOU** help [provide for this year's budget?](#))

Our hearts overflow with gratitude for our Lord and for **YOU!**
What are you thankful for this year?

Demorest Gives Thanks for Return



In this modern American culture, we are driven by schedules: appointments, meetings, commitments, as well as last-minute texts and phone calls. In all the busyness, it is difficult to take a breath, let alone take a break and reflect on what is meaningful in our lives and worth living for! So as the calendar year flows, **Stephanie (Cox) Demorest g93** is relieved when there is a "holiday." [Click here](#) to read how God called her back to campus to work at the Alumni Center and see why she is giving thanks.

Audience Unlimited Occupies "3rd Floor"

Like so many other places on the campus, the third floor of Witmer Hall is now full of new life. This floor serves as the headquarters to multiple organizations, including Audience Unlimited, a historical Fort Wayne nonprofit. [Click here](#) to see how this 43-year-old nonprofit serves those with limited access to the arts.



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Whether in our series or what is happening at the Summit on our former campus



We CARE for Alumni by CONNECTING & CELEBRATING,

Michael

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Director of Fort Wayne Alumni & Friends Relations



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