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BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Three Illinois Wesleyan alums and members of Sigma Alpha Iota music fraternity, Christina Hoblin, Class of 2013, Margaret Fox, Class of 2004, and Martha Dodds Stoner, Class of 1969, recently received awards from the national fraternity.

Hoblin, a music education major, was awarded the Province Collegiate Leadership Award, also known as the Ruby Sword of Honor. Criteria for the award included expression of leadership qualities, fraternity service, campus involvement and maintenance of a high scholarship level.

Fox, who graduated with a bachelor of music from IWU and later, a master of music from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, was awarded a career performance grant in memory of philanthropist Verna Ross Orndorff, who supported Girl Scout training and provided multiple scholarships for students. A high honor, the grant is annually awarded to a member of the fraternity who aims to pursue a concert career and has demonstrated professional potential. The award may be used for advanced study, coaching, or other expenses that aim to help the recipient advance their career. Most recently, Fox has performed a variety of operatic roles and developed her image in concert, particularly with baroque and classical repertoire.

Dodds Stoner received the Regional Alumnae Leadership Award. Also known as the Diamond Sword of Honor, the award recognizes an alumna who has exhibited outstanding service on the fraternity, local chapter and community levels, fulfilled all duties in all offices held in an exemplary manner and brought honor and distinction to their local chapter through exceptional community leadership.

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