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## Visiting Author to Give Reading from Debut Novel

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Illinois Wesleyan University will host author Dean Bakopoulos, who recently released his debut novel *Please Don't Come Back From the Moon*, for a reading and talk on Friday, Feb. 9 at 4 p.m. in the Beckman Auditorium of The Ames Library (1 Ames Plaza, Bloomington).

The event, which is free and open to the public, is coordinated by IWU's Alpha Eta Pi chapter of Sigma Tau Delta (STD), the international English honor society. STD has hosted a spring book club open to the University since 2005, however, this is the first book club event directed at the community as well as the campus.

The novel, which has been called "haunting and sorrowful" as well as "beautifully smart, comic and moving," follows a group of working class teenagers who come of age in a dying Michigan suburb where all the fathers have mysteriously disappeared. As the boys become men, navigating the struggles of family, education and work, they begin to face and fight the same impulses that drew their fathers to "the moon" years before.

For additional information about the event, contact Brian Jbara, STD treasurer, at [bjbara@iwu.edu](mailto:bjbara@iwu.edu). To read more about Bakopoulos and his book, visit his Web site at <http://www.deanbakopoulos.com/>.

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