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Sept. 5, 2012

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.—Illinois Wesleyan University will celebrate several campus anniversaries at "Broadcasting IWU Titan Pride," the theme of this year's Homecoming, which will be held Oct. 12-14.

Among the anniversaries, the University's radio station, WESN, will celebrate 40 years of operation, Student Senate 100 years, and The Ames Library and Hansen Student Center, 10 years. Also, Kemp Hall has been on the campus 101 years and the International House for 25 years. The Computer Science Department will honor its 20 years at the University and the musical group, Suspended, will celebrate 10 years of musical performances.

Students are also embracing the Homecoming theme with a week of **student Homecoming events**.

For additional information on Homecoming events, or to register, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at (309) 556-3251, or go to www.titanpride.org. A sampling of Homecoming events are:

Friday, Oct. 12

Back to College Classes

All classes will be held at The Ames Library, in Beckman Auditorium.

1-1:50 p.m. "The Great Books - Anime Style," Patrick Drazen '74 – From *Alice in Wonderland* to Homer's *Odyssey* to the *Count of Monte Cristo*, creators of Japanese animation (anime) have often turned to Western literature for stories, sometimes with surprising outcomes. Patrick, writer and lecturer on Japanese pop culture, presents some of the results.

2-2:50 p.m. *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, Provost Jonathan Green, Assoc. Professor Susie Balser, Asst. Professor Meghan Burke and Asst. Professor Mark Criley will lead a panel discussion on the book, which was chosen as the Summer Reading Program book for the 2012-2013 academic year. In early 1951, Henrietta Lacks, a 31-year-old mother of five, was found to have a malignant tumor of the cervix. During her examination a sample of the tumor was removed for research. The cells from Henrietta's tumor produced a line of cells, which propagated as no other cells had ever before. The cells, named "HeLa," from the first two letters of her first and last name, have been essential in developing the polio vaccine and many other scientific landmarks such as cloning, gene mapping and in vitro fertilization. They have been used in laboratories all over the world to make countless research discoveries. Mrs. Lacks' immortal cells continued to be produced after her death and without her family's knowledge for many years. Billions of dollars have been made because of her cells, yet Henrietta and her family could not afford medical care.

3-3:50 p.m. "Therapeutic Justice: A 'Liberal Arts' Approach to the Law," The **2012 Distinguished Alumna**, The Honorable Chief Judge Elizabeth (Beth) Robb '78 –Traditional approaches of simply applying the law to the issues which come before a judge has been challenged by innovative judges seeking to craft better solutions to the problems they must decide. Judges have adopted a "liberal arts" approach by applying a diverse body of knowledge, including the law, social work, psychology, sociology and the sciences, to the issues, which come before them. Scholars refer to this approach as "Therapeutic Justice." Beth will cover a discussion of problem- solving courts including: drug, mental health, veterans, and domestic violence, as well as evidence-based practices and alternative dispute resolution.

4-4:50 p.m. "Race Still Matters: The Influence of Race in Shaping Policy in America," Phill Wilson '78, President and CEO, Black AIDS Institute, Los Angeles, Calif.— As the first term of the nation's first black president draws to a close, critical questions about a post-racial America persist. With *Race Matters* by Professor Cornell West as its theoretical foundation, this course will explore the complicated relationship between policy and continued racial disparities in the United States, including those associated with HIV/AIDS.

4:30-6 p.m. Physics Department, Wine & Cheese Reception Honoring Professor Narendra Jaggi –CNS Atrium – After 20 years, Professor Jaggi is retiring as the Chair of the Physics Department. Professor Jaggi will continue to teach physics at IWU. Please join us as we honor his 20-year career as the Department Chair and celebrate his 2012 Kemp Award for Teaching Excellence from the Kemp Foundation.

6 p.m. 62nd Annual Titan Games – Cheer on your favorites in the rope pull between Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Chi fraternities and the annual chariot race between Acacia, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Theta Chi fraternities. The Alpha Gamma Delta, Kappa Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Sigma Kappa sororities will compete against each other in sorority relays – Tucci Stadium.

7:30-9 p.m. IWU Civic Orchestra at the Bloomington Center for Performing Arts (BCPA) will perform a Homecoming Concert featuring returning alumni Andrew Hesse '06 and Chris Frey '96 -- cello and Kate Tombaugh '07 – voice. They will perform with the orchestra under the direction of Conductor/Professor of Music Steve Eggleston and Special Guest Conductor -- Provost and Dean of Faculty Jonathan Green.

Musical selections – *Overture to Aida* (Giuseppe Verdi, composer) and *Pines of Rome* (Ottorino Respighi, composer) for this family friendly event. Tickets are available at BCPA.

IWU Alumni-\$5.00 IWU Students-Free All other tickets-\$10.00

8 p.m. "The Second City: Laughing Matter" With economic uncertainty, political gridlock and a dearth of Kardashians clogging up our televisions, laughing has never mattered more and The Second City is here to bring some well needed silliness and hilarious spontaneity to a world in need of some comic relief. "The Second City: Laughing Matters" puts comedy first in a wickedly funny revue that skewers and celebrates in equal doses – Hansen Student Center, Center Court.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2012

Back to College Classes

All classes will be held at The Ames Library, in Beckman Auditorium.

8:30-9:20 a.m. "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Healthcare Reform: Politics, Courts, and Strange Bedfellows," Professor of the Year – Greg Shaw, Professor of Political Science – This session examines the intellectual origins of the individual mandate for healthcare insurance. We will explore the recent partisan role-reversal on the mandate, its fate in the Supreme Court and some likely near-term directions.

9:30-10:20 a.m. "It's Not The Library You Remember...", Lisa Powell Williams '88, Adult Services Coordinator Moline Public Library – No hair buns, no shushing, no pencils tucked behind the ear, a lack of bound periodicals (yeah, they always wanted to be free anyway)...What's with all the E-readers, tablets, mp3 players? Just where are all those books? It's not the library you remember; it is so much more! In celebration of the 10th anniversary of The Ames Library, join Lisa for an overview of what's new in public libraries and how public libraries serve you.

10:30-11:20 a.m. "Information Technology and the NFL," 2012 Robert M. Montgomery, Distinguished Young Alumnus Karl Pierburg '98 – Karl feels very fortunate to work in two fields that he is passionate about: Information Technology

and Football. Through experiences working in these fields, he has a unique perspective on how the Information Technology field can be impacted by the NFL, and how the NFL can be impacted by Information Technology. Karl has learned, and continues to learn, many lessons, which can be applied to any workplace or field. Some of the lessons include: the value of teamwork, putting the goals of the team in-before self-interests, attempting to bring order to a chaotic environment and taming masses of information in order to find value in the data for the good of the organization. Karl will be discussing these lessons, life in the NFL and how he and Information Technology play a role.

8 a.m. Kids Fun Run – Ages 3 - 12 will meet on the IWU track at Tucci Stadium, 400 block of Titan Drive. (Includes T-shirt and goodie bag)

8:15 a.m. Captain Ryan A. Beaupre '95 Memorial Scholarship 5K Run/Walk - Starts on the IWU track at Tucci Stadium, 400 block of Titan Drive. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Captain Ryan A. Beaupre Memorial Scholarship Fund. This is the 10th anniversary of Ryan's death, a United States Marine Corps Captain, Ryan was a CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter pilot, who gave the ultimate sacrifice in "Operation Iraqi Freedom."

Family Fun on the Eckley Quadrangle — 8:30-11:30 a.m. A fun event for kids from 2 - 102. Enjoy The Titan Pep Band, IWU Cheerleaders, Tommy the Titan, The Zoo Crew face painters, a balloon artist, inflatables, the Chemistry Club, the Physics Club and more. Explore 162 years of IWU artifacts at the Mini Museum Tent and browse through past editions of the *Wesleyana*. Some past *Wesleyana* editions will be available for free as long as they last.

(Due to the construction of the new Classroom, Family Fun on the Eckley Quad may be moved to a different location – signs will be posted Homecoming weekend if there is a change.)

8:30-11:30 a.m. WESN's 40th Anniversary – WESN will have a live remote broadcast from the Eckley Quad. Stop by and congratulate them on turning 40!

9-10 a.m. A School of Music Alumni Reception will be held in the Smith Reception Room of Presser Hall.

9-11 a.m. Illinois Wesleyan Traditions Tours (every half hour) – starting from the Homecoming Headquarters Information Center in the Nell Eckley Lounge, Memorial Center. Visit sites of significance in the life of the University.

9-11 a.m. The Annual School of Nursing Distinguished Alumna Award recipient is **Shannon N. Zenk '95**, Assistant Professor of Health Systems Science, UIC – Saturday morning social and awards ceremony will be held in the CNS Commons area. Shannon will present a program immediately following the social.

9-11:30 a.m. Library Tours are among events celebrating the **10th Anniversary of The Ames Library**.

In connection with the anniversary, a collection of images, documents and audio reflecting the history of The Ames Library and its progress over the past 10 years is available on the **Digital Commons**.

10 a.m. Placing of the Date Stone into the new classroom building. Join President Wilson as Johnston Construction places the Date Stone and Time Capsule into the new classroom building. Come see the cache of memorabilia, which will be left for future Titans to discover. Time Capsule contents will be available for viewing prior to placement into the building at Mini Museum Tent.

10-11:30 a.m. Student Senate 100th Anniversary Reunion – Celebrate 100 years of IWU Student Senate with a Continental Breakfast. Reunite with former Student Senate Presidents and Executive Board members, join in a Student Senate meeting and see Capitol Development improvements funded by Student Senate – Hansen Student Center, Center Court

12-1:30 p.m. Spirit Street– on Titan Drive, between Tucci Stadium and the Shirk Center. Join current Titans as they begin celebrating the upcoming football victory. Reconnect with old friends and network with students as you enjoy the fun and festivities of Spirit Street!

1:30 p.m. Football Game, IWU vs. Carthage – at 1:15 p.m. – Recognition of 1992 Team at Halftime - Tucci Stadium.

2-4 p.m. School of Art Reception in the Galleries – All IWU alumni are invited to see the newly remodeled entrance to The Joyce Eichhorn Ames, School of Art Building. Visit with faculty and enjoy light refreshments. Extended gallery hours Saturday and Sunday are 11-5 p.m. - Merwin and Wakeley Galleries.

4:30 p.m. Minority Alumni Networking –"Where the Past Meets the Present" – Mentor/Mentee roundtable, activities and refreshments for students and alumni– The Ames Library, Bates-Merwin Reading Room.

4-6:30 p.m. Computer Science 20th Anniversary Reunion Honoring Professor Susan Anderson Freed – Wine & Cheese Reception – CNS, Atrium – Please join faculty and staff as we celebrate 20 years of Computer Science at IWU. We will also take this time to honor retired Professor Susan Anderson Freed. Join faculty and fellow alumni as they relate stories and share memories.

4-6:30 p.m. **10th Anniversary Celebration** Reception for The Ames Library in the lower level rotunda, with keynote speaker Tomas A. Lipinski of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, School of Library and Information Science, on "Intellectual Property Rights and Wrongs."

5-8 p.m. All class reunions will start off with the inaugural Titan Homecoming Celebration in the Young Main Lounge and the Joslin Atrium, Memorial Center.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2012

10 a.m. All Campus Service and Co-Choir Reunion Performance – The Collegiate Choir and Co-Choir alumni, directed by Professor Scott Ferguson, will lead the music during the Sunday service at Evelyn Chapel. All are welcome for this ecumenical service with the theme of "Faithful Justice," where the meaning of justice in prophetic traditions and Gospel parables will be explored.

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