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One day we thought spring was here. The next day the Quad was covered in four inches of snow. The topsy-turvy weather seemed as if nature itself reflected the frenzy of campus activity. February 29 gave us an extra day to make the most of every moment, whether we were dancing, singing, listening or pausing to be thankful for where we learn and work.

Take a look at our February.



Theatre arts major Maggie Patchett '16 of Elmhurst, Ill., portrayed Ophelia in the School of Theatre Arts production of *Hamlet*. (Photo by Anna Kerr-Carpenter '17)



Author and national interfaith leader Eboo Patel urged those attending Founders Day Convocation to find commonalities, not differences, in understanding one another. Provost Jonathan Green said Patel is a voice of reason “in an era of extremism and fear mongering.” (Photo by Robert Frank III '14)



The day before they competed in the national competition, the Ethics Bowl team visited Washington, D.C. Team members included (from left) Anna Moczynski '16 (Rockford, Ill.), Nick Bates '16 (Champaign, Ill.), Eric Hyla '16 (Lake Villa, Ill.), Hang (Jade) Phung '17 (Hanoi, Vietnam), and Steph McAtee '16 (Papillion, Neb.). It was the third time in five years an IWU team has competed in the national Ethics Bowl.



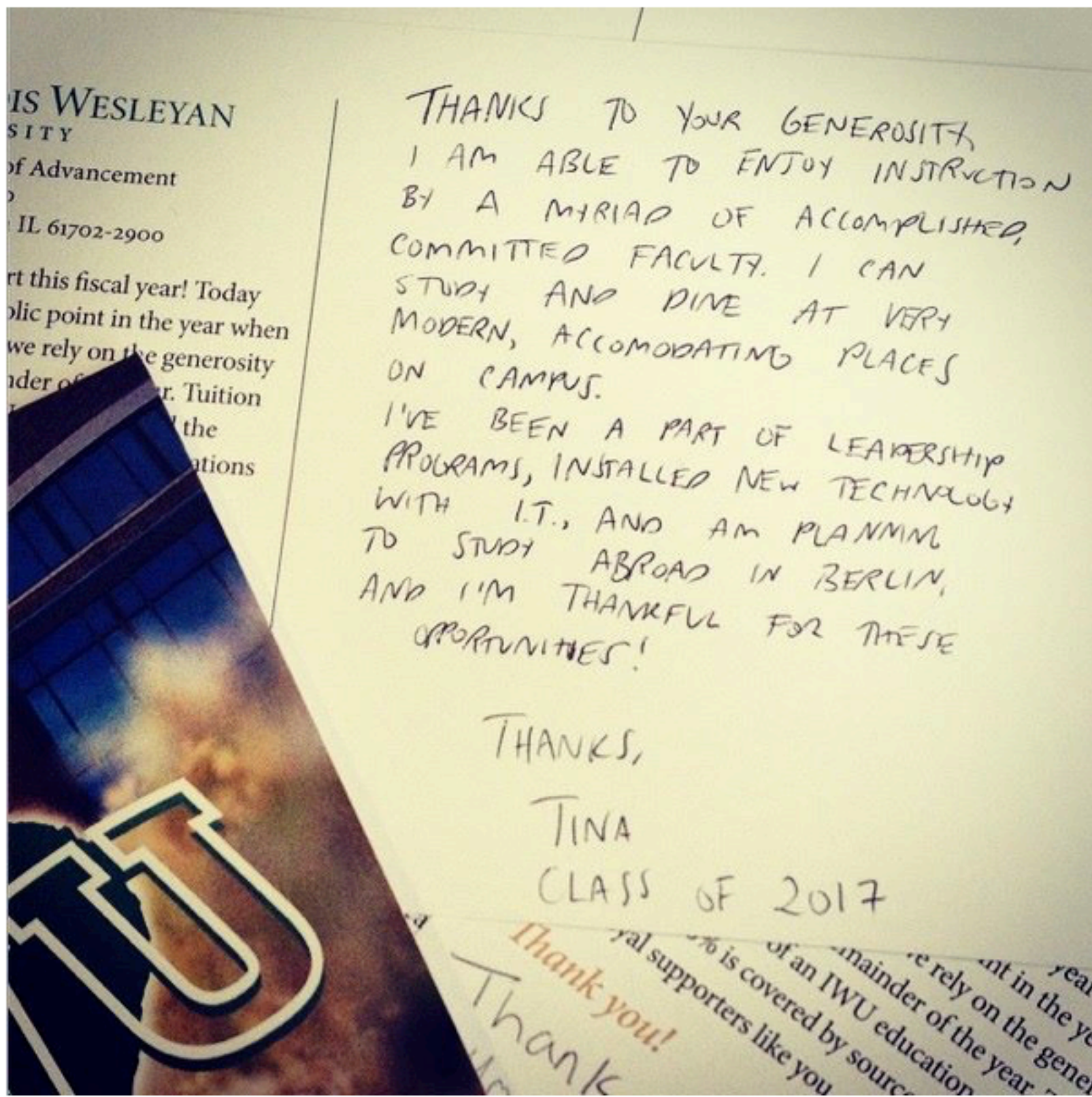
The winter sun makes shadow magic. (Photo by Kent Kriegshauser)



Rebekah Ehresman ’18, first team all-College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin selection, drives against an opponent during a home game. She was elected to the Academic All-District® 7 Division III women's basketball team. (Photo by Robert Frank III ’14)



Back on campus to speak about careers for humanities majors, Patrick Cavanaugh ’14 told students in Joanne Diaz’s Practical Criticism class that English majors are going to become even more valuable in the workforce. “Knowing how to construct an argument from end to end and knowing how to sell an argument is something you learn indirectly through writing papers for *The Tempest* or in writing critical theory.” (Photo by Robert Frank III ’14)



Thank a Giver Day reminds students that tuition dollars alone will not fund an Illinois Wesleyan University education, and that gifts from alumni and friends are important. Hundreds of alumni and friends received heartfelt notes like this one. (Photo by Phone Vilailuck '18)



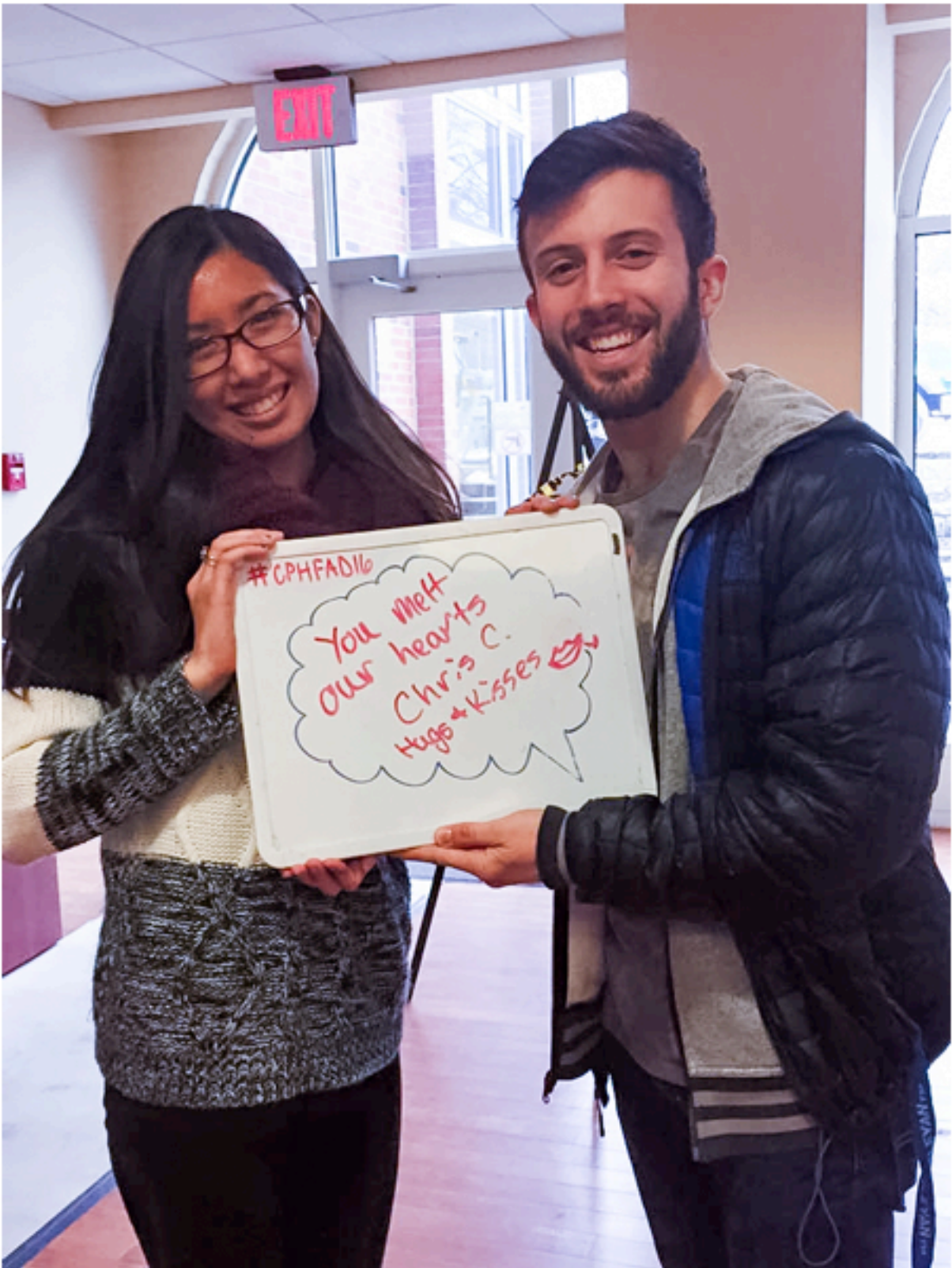
The Japanese drum ensemble Tsukasa Taiko Legacy performed at the Lunar New Celebration, allowing international students and friends to celebrate the Year of the Monkey. (Photo by Phone Vilailuck '18)



Judge Todd Zoellick '00 questions a student during "ARC Tank" presentations. Students compete for the Zoellick Fellowship in Social Entrepreneurship, which funds a student's business idea for an innovative and creative way to generate positive and sustainable societal change. Students pitch their ideas modeled on the popular "Shark Tank" television program. (Photo by Phone Vilailuck '18)



The football team sings the national anthem prior to the basketball game on Feb. 13. This year's conductor was offensive lineman Sycory Walker '17. (Photo by Claire Hoverson '17)



Through handwritten notes, social media posts and most importantly, adorable baskets of treats, College Panhellenic Council thanked their “passionate professors” during Faculty Appreciation Day.



A patron peruses works in the Merwin Gallery at the opening of the 30th annual Student Juried Art Exhibition. (Photo by Makenna Merritt '17)



U.S. Rep. Rodney Davis was a guest speaker in Professor of Political Science Greg Shaw’s class. (Photo by Makenna Merritt ’17)



The Swing Dance registered student organization sponsored a Valentine’s dance for students, guests and all those who love the Lindy Hop. (Photo by Robert Frank III ’14)



An Odalan Celebration of music and dance honored the Balinese Odalan celebration, a traditional Hindu temple re-dedication ceremony. The event was part of Evelyn Chapel’s “Religion, Music, and the Humanities” series. (Photo by Phone Vilailuck ’18)



Kimberly Mensah ’16 was one of many students attending the 10th annual Council for IWU Women Summit, which brings female students, faculty, staff and alumnae together in celebration. (Photo by Lori Ann Cook-Neisler)