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IWU To Recognize Most Distinguished, Outstanding and Loyal During Homecoming

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan University will honor the 2013 recipients of its annual alumni awards at the Alumni Awards Lunch at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 12 at the Shirk Center Performance Gym (309 Emerson St., Bloomington). The program will feature a live performance from IWU's co-ed a capella group, *Silence Interrupted*.

Bob Page, Class of 1979, will receive the Distinguished Alumni Award, Chad Maxwell, Class of 2002, the Robert M. Montgomery Outstanding Young Alumnus Award and Alice (Fairchild) Heath, Class of 1952, the Loyalty Award.

Illinois Wesleyan presents the Distinguished Alumni Award to an alumnus/a who has made a distinguished contribution to society, has achieved professional distinction or has demonstrated civic leadership. From his rise to administration in 2007, president and chief executive officer of the University of Kansas Hospital, Page has played an integral role in gaining the facility Magnet recognition. Under his leadership, the hospital has been named to U.S. News & World Report's Best Hospitals list for the past seven years. It ranks number three in quality and accountability among academic medical centers by the University Health System Consortium and 10 of its specialties ranked among the nation's top 50.

Page used his accounting degree from IWU to become a certified public accountant for Pricewaterhouse (now PricewaterhouseCoppers).. From public accounting, Page moved into internal auditing for Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Mo., and Page has remained the health care field ever since.

In gratitude to his mother for supporting his studies at Illinois Wesleyan, Page has recently endowed a scholarship in accounting.

As part of the Homecoming festivities, he will teach a Back to College class titled, "How to Transform an Under Performing Culture" on Friday, Oct. 11 at 4 p.m. on the lower level of The Ames Library in Beckman Auditorium (1 Ames Plaza, Bloomington).

The Robert M. Montgomery Outstanding Alumnus Award is named for 1968 alumnus and former IWU alumni director in recognition of alumni who display outstanding professional achievement within 15 years of their graduation. After 11 years, Maxwell earned the title of Starcom's senior vice president of the Integrated Insights, Human Experience Intelligence Group. At Starcom, an agency that develops communication strategies Maxwell and his team develop research strategies to understand changing consumer behavior and attitudes.

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Citizen of the Year by the Rockford Area Council on Aging. She continually promotes Illinois Wesleyan to young people she encounters through her numerous volunteer activities.

For more information on the award winners or Homecoming events, link to the Homecoming webpage at http://www.titanpride.org/homecoming13. For certain events, toll-free reservations are accepted at 1-888-498-2586.