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BLOOMINGTON, ILL.--Honored guests at Illinois Wesleyan University's Homecoming, Saturday, Oct. 11, will be Karen Zander, class of 1970, as recipient of the Robert M. Montgomery Outstanding Young Alumnus Award, and Oliver Luerssen, associate professor of business administration, who retired from teaching in 1979, as Grand Marshal of the parade.

Ms. Zander, a clinical supervisor for the psychiatric unit of TuftsNew England Medical Center in Boston, is responsible for the organizational development in the department of nursing and as nurse-leader in psychiatry for in-patient
and day hospital service. She is a preceptor for graduate students in administration
and the psychiatric-mental health programs of Boston University's School of Nursing.
She also has a private practice in psychotherapy and is involved with committee work
on issues related to the nursing profession.

After graduation from Wesleyan, she earned a master's degree at Boston University. Her first book, "A Practical Manual for Patient Teaching," was published in 1978.

Luerssen joined the faculty at Illinois Wesleyan in 1944. He had served on this campus during World War Two as an aviation instructor in the Navy's V-5 program. As head of the department of business administration, he established the Interns in Industry program for Wesleyan students who seek on-the-job experience. He taught at Quincy College for five years prior to coming to Wesleyan.

Luerssen holds both graduate and undergraduate degrees from the University of Chicago. He is a licensed real estate salesman. He founded the Luerssen Aviation Company in Waynesville, which supplies tires and batteries for the aviation industry and for many years was a bee-keeper. His bees produced 25,000 pounds of honey annually.