

Illinois Wesleyan University Homecoming 2019 Schedule of Events October 4-6, 2019



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Friday, October 4, 2019

9:00am – 5:00pm – Homecoming Headquarters Information Desk

Let us know you're back on campus and find out more about homecoming events. Request a name tag, pick up your milestone class reunion ribbon, and receive a special gift if you are a member of the 50th or Golden Titan reunion classes.

Hansen Student Center

8:30am - Alumni Association Annual Meeting with the Alumni Association Board of Directors

The Alumni Association Board of Directors is the representative body of the IWU Alumni Association. IWU alumni are members of the Association and are invited to attend.

Memorial Center, Davidson Room

1:00 – 2:00pm - Opening of Dave Kindred Collection

Join us as we celebrate the 50-year sportswriting career of Dave Kindred '63. View selections from more than 300 of his reporter's notebooks, scrapbooks from his trips covering the Olympics, and personal correspondence with readers, friends and family members. The guide to collection is now available to help researchers and enthusiasts alike discover specific areas of interest.

Ames Library, Archives

Back to College Classes

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

2:00 – 2:50pm - Harry Heuman '69, “The Holocaust: Stories of Survival”

Harry Heuman '69, is the son of Holocaust survivors and a docent and speaker at the Florida Holocaust Museum. He will discuss pivotal moments in history which led to the Holocaust, his own personal family history, and the present day effects of anti-semitism in our society.

3:00 – 3:50pm - 2019 Outstanding Young Alumni Award Winner Erin Anderson '07, “Harnessing Chemistry to Create Selective Cancer Treatments”

Why haven't we cured cancer? Learn about what makes finding a cure so challenging. Find out how medicinal chemists are designing and creating molecules that unlock exciting new treatments.

3:00pm - Women's Tennis vs. Elmhurst

Beadles-Morse Tennis Courts

3:00 – 4:30pm - Council for IWU Women Reception

Council for IWU Women will gather to hear updates on upcoming events and programs.

Ames Terrace

3:00 – 4:00pm - Alumni Career Panel hosted by the Hart Career Center

Alumni working in the area of journalism will discuss topics surrounding the changing climates in journalism careers. Chris Fusco '94 - Editor-in-Chief, Chicago Sun-Times | Sarah Weinstein '96 - Senior Producer/Director at Illinois Public Media | Elizabeth McMahon '96 - Chief Editor of Executive and Internal Communications at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute | Justin Williams '97 - Reporter, FOX6 Milwaukee.

Minor Myers Jr. Welcome Center, Alumni Auditorium

4:00 – 5:30pm - English Department Wine and Cheese Reception

CLA, First Floor

5:00 – 7:30pm - Esports Showcase

Learn about the newest teams and programs at Illinois Wesleyan, Esports! Launched in Fall 2018 and featuring some of the highest ranked players in North America, the program has since earned national recognition as one of the best programs in the United States. Join us as our League of Legends and Fortnite teams go toe-to-toe and demonstrate their skills in our featured show match. The event will conclude with a Questions and Answer Panel with Head Coach, Callum Fletcher and a handful of IWU esports athletes. 5:00 - 6:00 - League of Legends Show match; 6:15 - 7:00 - Fortnite Show match; 7:00 - 7:30 QnA with IWU Esports Students Panel.
Hansen Student Center, Center Court

5:00 – 6:00pm - President's Reception

All milestone reunion members and special guests are invited for this reception to kick-off Homecoming.
Joslin Atrium

6:00 – 7:30pm - Alumni Awards Ceremony: Best of Illinois Wesleyan

Join the Alumni Association Board of Directors for a reception honoring our distinguished roster of 2019 Alumni Award Winners, the new Golden Titans from the Class of 1969 and others from the Titan community. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine will be served. Program begins at 6:15pm.
Memorial Center, Young Main Lounge

7:00 – 10:00pm - IWU Volleyball Match and Volleyball Alumni Social

Watch the IWU volleyball team in their match against Augustana and attend the Volleyball Alumni Reunion immediately following.
Shirk Center, Niepagen South

7:30 – 9:15pm - Illinois Wesleyan Symphony Orchestra

Please join the Illinois Wesleyan Symphony Orchestra for an evening of wonderful music including Beethoven's 5th Piano Concerto, The Emperor, featuring IWU Piano Faculty Kent Cook.
Second Presbyterian Church, 404 N Prairie St, Bloomington

7:30 – 9:00pm - Titanium Prep Rally and 69th Annual Titan Games

Featured crowd favorites include: the NPC Sorority Scramble, Acacia/TKE/Theta Chi Chariot Races, and the FIJI/Sigma Chi Rope Pull.
Tucci Stadium

7:30 – 9:00pm - SoTA Production, King Charles III by Mike Bartlett

Don't miss the School of Theatre Arts production King Charles III. Show times are 7:30pm Wednesday, October 2nd through Saturday, October 5th, and 2:00pm on Sunday, October 6th.
McPherson Hall, Jerome Mirza Theatre

8:00pm – 12:00am - 40th Reunion Pub Social

Kick off your 40th reunion year by celebrating with classmates at Maguire's. Catch up with friends and reminisce on your time at IWU. West MacQueen Street Band will begin playing at 8pm.
Maguire's, 220 N Center St, Bloomington

8:00pm - 20th Reunion Pub Social

Celebrate your 20th reunion with friends at Reality Bites in Downtown Bloomington.
Reality Bites, 414 N Main St, Bloomington

8:30pm - 35th Reunion Pub Social

Celebrate your 20th reunion with friends at Lucca Grille in Downtown Bloomington!
Lucca Grill, 116 E Market St, Bloomington

8:30pm - 50th Reunion Social

Stop by the Brickyard Bar at DoubleTree to meet up with classmates and celebrate this milestone reunion.
DoubleTree's Brickyard Bar, 10 Brickyard Dr, Bloomington

9:00pm - Ian Lara, Comedian

Ian Lara is one of the hottest rising comics in New York City with a feature in "Variety" and "Cosmopolitan" and most recent, an appearance on "Comedy Central Stand Up". For more information, visit <http://www.ianlaralive.com/>
Hansen Student Center, Center Court

Saturday, October 5, 2019

9:00am – 2:00pm – Homecoming Headquarters Information Desk

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Hansen Student Center

8:00am – 6:00pm - Phi Mu Alpha Open House

The Phi Mu Alpha chapter welcomes everyone to stop by for a tour of the chapter house. Coffee and snacks will be provided.

Phi Mu Alpha House, 303 E Chestnut St, Bloomington

Back to College Classes

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

8:30 – 9:30am - 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award Winner Ed Rust '72, "Seeking Perspective and Balance in an Uncertain World"

Ed will share his experiences in leading a Fortune 50 organization and engaging in the political and public policy world of Washington D.C.

10:00 – 10:50am – 2019 Loyalty Award Winner Jean Baird '80, "Oh Yes, You Can: Create a Culture of Collaboration"

Join us in an interactive setting that will test your skills to get the best results from your team! You will also gain personal insights during this energizing environment. Jean will share her engaging leadership style and ability to tap into each person's strengths.

11:10am – 12:00pm – Editor-in-Chief for the Chicago Sun-Times Chris Fusco '94, "The Future of Newspapers"

Google and Facebook continue to gobble up advertising dollars as newspapers – especially regional ones – continue to cut their staffs and get thinner. Will trusted news organizations as we now know them continue to survive? The answer is 'yes', but not without the public wrapping its head around different news delivery methods.

8:30 – 10:30am - Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

Eckley Quad

8:30 – 11:00am - Titan Pep Band

As part of Family Fun on the Quad, listen to the ever popular Titan Pep Band, under the direction of Ed Risinger.

Eckley Quad, on the steps of State Farm Hall

8:30 – 11:30am - Family Fun on the Eckley Quad

Join us under the Big Top! Fun for kids ages 2 to 102. Bring the family and enjoy face painting and glitter tattoo artists from Wild Style Design Company, balloon creations from Aaron's Party Balloons, demonstration and activity from School of Art, Chemistry Club, Physics Club, inflatables, pumpkin patch, popcorn, games, IWU Cheerleaders, Tommy Titan, prizes and more.

Eckley Quad

8:30 – 11:30am - Homecoming Museum

Come learn more about the rich history of IWU and check out IWU memorabilia. At 10:45a.m. join us for the opening of the time capsule placed in the Mark Evans Observatory in 1969.

Memorial Center, Nell Eckley Lounge

9:00 – 10:00am - School of Music Alumni Reception and Breakfast

Please join the School of Music Faculty for our annual Homecoming Alumni Reception!

Presser Hall, Smith Reception Room

9:00am – 11:00am - The Annual School of Nursing Distinguished Alumni Award Ceremony and Social

Attend this Social and Awards Ceremony honoring this year's award winner, Munib Said Mafazy '02. Tours of the School of Nursing will also be available after the presentation.

Center for Natural Sciences (CNS), Wilson Atrium

9:00 – 10:00am - Men's Basketball Open Gym

All alumni are welcome to come play basketball in the Shirk Center Practice Gym.

Jeff Solberg Court (Shirk Center Practice Gym)

9:45 – 10:00am - Dedication of the Phoenix Gates - Carol Phoenix

The Phoenix Bloomington Nursery sold the original ten acres of land to Illinois Wesleyan on August 7, 1854, establishing the current site of today's campus. Join us for the dedication of the Phoenix Gates to honor the family history and generous gift of Carol Pedigo Phoenix '67 and her late husband, John Phoenix.

Phoenix Gates (Eckley Quad, near Presser Hall)

10:00 am - Green & White/Alumni Swim Meet

Join fellow alumni and current students for this intersquad and alumni competition. All alums are welcome whether they competed at IWU or not. Warmup begins at 9:15am. For more information, please contact Teresa Fish at tfish@iwu.edu.

Shirk Center, Fort Natatorium

10:00 - 11:00 am - Greek Alumni Network Reunions

Return to your chapter house to reunite with alumni and meet active members. Sigma Pi Alumni will meet in the Davidson Room, Memorial Center, Delta Sigma Theta Alumni will meet in the Cartwright Room, Memorial Center, and AOII Alumni will meet in the Henning Room, Memorial Center.

Various locations across campus

10:00 – 11:15am - IWU: Arboretum Tour immediately following Phoenix Gates dedication

Over 1200 trees grace the grounds of Illinois Wesleyan Arboretum, comprised of nearly 150 distinct species and cultivars. When trying to distinguish each from its neighbor, one might be reminded of the old adage....

“You can't see the forest for the trees!” To help you discover our forest, Ken Detloff, Manager of Grounds

Services, will lead you on a walking tour of campus and will point out many different specimens.
Tour starts at the Phoenix Gates (Eckley Quad, near Presser Hall)

10:00 – 11:30am - Collegiate Choir Alumni Choir Rehearsal

Rehearsal for 10:00am Sunday chapel service. Directed by Professor Scott Ferguson.
Evelyn Chapel

9:30am - Alumni Volleyball Game

Watch a volleyball match between IWU Volleyball alumni. For more information, please contact Kim Nelson-Brown at kbrown@iwu.edu.
Shirk Center

10:00am – 1:00pm - Titan Tailgate including Local Food Trucks

Join alumni, family, and friends to celebrate before the Titans take on Carroll University. [Click here](#) for more information regarding tailgating policies.
Shirk Parking Lot

10:00am – 1:00pm - Milestone Reunion Tailgate

All milestone reunion members and special guests are invited to celebrate your Titan Spirit with friends and family. Registration includes food, beer, wine, and one ticket to the game. \$15/person before October 5th; \$10/person for Young Alumni (Graduates of the Last Decade) before October 5th. \$20/person at the door for everyone. Hosted by the IWU Alumni Association.
Shirk Parking Lot

10:30am - Alumni Softball Game

Softball Field

10:30 – 10 :45am - Blakeman Golf Center Dedication

Honoring the Blakeman family for their gift toward the Golf Simulator.
Shirk Center, Strength Center

10:30am – 1:00pm - Men's Basketball Tailgate

Shirk Parking Lot

10:30am – 1:00pm - Tailgate for Stew Salowitz '76

The Athletic Department will be celebrating thirty-one years of exceptional service from retiring Sports Information Director, Stew Salowitz '76. Be sure to stop by Stew's tailgate to share some stories and say "thank you!"
Shirk Parking Lot

10:30am - Sigma Alpha Iota Brunch

SAI Chapter House, 307 E. Chestnut Street, Bloomington

10:45 – 11:15am - Opening of the Mark Evans Observatory Time Capsule

Apollo 8 astronauts Frank Borman, Jim Lovell and Bill Anders—were awarded honorary PhDs at the 1969 Founders' Day Convocation (the latter two in absentia). During his time on campus, Borman, who was Apollo 8's commander, placed a time capsule in the cornerstone for the new Mark Evans Observatory. Join us on this 50th Anniversary of the groundbreaking to view the capsule contents.
Memorial Center, Nell Eckley Lounge

11:00am - Women's Tennis vs. Wheaton

Beadles-Morse Tennis Courts

11:00am - National Championship Banner Drop for Men's Golf

Shirk Center, Activity Center

11:00am – 12:00pm - Educational Studies Homecoming Brunch

Stop by to meet the current teacher-scholars and catch up with your fellow Titans. Refreshments will be served.
CLA 3rd Floor Lobby

11:00am – 12:00pm - Evelyn Chapel Open House/Spiritual Life and Multifaith Ambassador Reunion

Come and meet our current Multifaith Ambassador Team and student leaders, learn about the wonderful variety of spiritual life programs sponsored by the Chapel and RSOs, and take a tour of the beautiful spaces at Evelyn Chapel for community, study, worship and fun!

Evelyn Chapel

11:15am - Phi Mu Alpha Member Anniversary Pinning

The Phi Mu Alpha chapter will recognize its alumni who have celebrated a 10, 25, or 50 year anniversary of their initiation. A lunch will follow the ceremony and both are open to the public. Dress for attendees is casual. Brothers initiated Fall '09 or before who plan to attend should contact chapter Alumni

Secretary, ptkach@iwu.edu, to reserve their complementary pin.

Phi Mu Alpha House, 303 E Chestnut St, Bloomington

11:30am – 2:30pm - Biology/Chemistry Department Tailgate and BBQ

Shirk Parking Lot

12:00 – 2:00pm - Class of '69 School of Music Alumni Reception

Presser Hall, Room 161

1:00pm - Football Game, IWU vs. Carroll

National Anthem performed by William Powers '64, world-renowned Bass-Baritone. Half-time recognitions: alumni award winners and retirement of Stew Salowitz '76, Sports Information Director.

Tucci Stadium

2:00 – 4:00pm - Ames School of Art Exhibits and Alumni Reception

Visit the exhibits and enjoy a special alumni reception in the Merwin and Wakeley galleries. In the Merwin Gallery, the Faculty Biennial will be showcased. In the Wakeley gallery, "Drawings" by Timothy Garvey (Emeritus Professor) will be showcased. The gallery is open on Saturday from 1-4pm, and the exhibits will be showcased September 3 - October 17.

Ames School of Art

2:00 – 5:00pm - Peace Garden Harvestfest

Alumni are invited to join the Peace Garden festivities which include pumpkin carving, apple cider pressing, and making wood-fired pizza.

Peace Garden- Corner of University/Evans, one block east of the Minor Myers Jr. Welcome Center

2:00 – 3:00pm - SoTA: "The First Five Years"

The SoTA Class of 2015 is invited to come back and speak to the current SoTA majors about work experiences, life events, and tips for navigating the "real world" as they enter their fifth year after graduation. Open forum for the student body of SoTA; everyone is welcome.

McPherson Hall, Jerome Mirza Theatre

3:00 – 4:30pm - Guest Recital: Carren Moham, Soprano; Erin Mulliken, Piano

Vocal recital featuring professor emeritus, Carren Moham. Reception immediately following.

Presser Hall, Westbrook Auditorium

4:00 – 5:30pm - Minority Alumni Network (MAN) Reception

Meet with current MALANA students and create mentor-mentee connections. This reception will also feature a career panel that includes alumni from various industries. Email man-alumni@iwu.edu to get involved.

Shirk Center, Niepagen Room

4:00 – 6:00pm - International Alumni and Student Reception

Calling all international alumni - enjoy reconnection with old friends, make new ones, and reminisce in Kemp Hall with international fare!

Kemp Hall

4:30 – 6:00pm - School of Theatre Arts (SoTA) Wine and Cheese Reception

Faculty and staff of the School of Theatre Arts will host an evening of refreshments and memories.

E. Melba Johnson Kirkpatrick Laboratory Theatre

6:00 – 9:00pm - 8th Annual "Club Tommy" All Titan Homecoming Celebration

All IWU alumni, family, friends, faculty, staff and guests are welcome to enjoy a DJ, heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine. "Club Tommy" is the perfect place to meet up with friends and classmates before heading out for the rest of your evening. Celebrating milestone reunions will be classes from 1979, 1994, 2009, 2014, and 2019. Registration fee is \$20/person, or \$10/person for members of the Class of 2019 and Class of 2020.

Hansen Student Center

Off Campus Class Reunion Celebrations

6:00pm - Golden Titan Club Reunion Dinner - All Class Years through 1968

6 p.m. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m. Dinner. Join Golden Titan Club members for dinner and cocktails (cash bar). Celebrate your class reunion weekend by joining fellow class members for cocktails and dinner.

Bloomington Country Club, 605 Towanda Ave, Bloomington

6:00 – 9:00pm - Class of 1984 - 35th Class Reunion Dinner

Celebrate your class reunion weekend by joining fellow class members for heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine.

Baxters, 3212 E Empire St, Bloomington

6:00 – 9:00pm - Class of 1999 - 20th Class Reunion Dinner

Celebrate your class reunion weekend by joining fellow class members for heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, and wine.

Biaggi's, 1501 N Veterans Pkwy, Bloomington

7:00pm - Class of 1969 - 50th Class Reunion Dinner

Celebrate your class reunion weekend by joining fellow class members for cocktails and dinner (cash bar).

Bloomington Country Club, 605 Towanda Ave, Bloomington

7:00 – 9:00pm - Class of 2004 - 15th Class Reunion Dinner

Cap off your class reunion weekend by joining fellow class members for heavy hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar.

Keg Grove Brewery, 712 E Empire St, Bloomington

9:00pm - Class of 2009 - Pub Social

Stop by your favorite college bar for some late night food and drink! Special Note: Everyone is individually responsible for their food and beverage purchases.

Mugsy's Pub, 1310 N Main St, Bloomington

9:30pm - Class of 1999 - Pub Social

Stop by the Brickyard Bar at DoubleTree to meet up with classmates, and celebrate this milestone reunion.

DoubleTree's Brickyard Bar, 10 Brickyard Dr, Bloomington

Sunday, October 6, 2019

8:00am - 50th Reunion Brunch

Finish the reunion weekend with brunch at Epiphany Farms. Reservations can be made at (309) 828-2323.
Epiphany Farms, 220 E Front St, Bloomington

10:00am - All Campus Service and Collegiate Choir Reunion Performance

Join us for the all campus service as Chaplain Elyse Nelson Winger presents "The Truth in Myth: The Living Power of Sacred Story Today". Afterwards from 11-12, you're invited to a special reception celebrating the history of sacred spaces and spiritual life programming at Illinois Wesleyan through pictures and artifacts.
Evelyn Chapel

11:00am - Pride Alumni Community Brunch

The Pride Alumni Community invites you to their annual brunch to celebrate Darcy L. Greder, her accomplishments, and her retirement as Associate Dean of Students. Darcy has served Illinois Wesleyan University for 40 years and has been described as a gleaming representation of everything Illinois Wesleyan. Serving students has been her life's mission and she has been incredibly successful in this work. Particularly though, Darcy has consistently acted as a fierce supporter for the many LGBTQ+ students who have attended the university through the years, sometimes as a visible ally, always as a friend and mentor.
Memorial Center, Joslin Atrium

11:00am – 1:00pm - Phi Mu Alpha Franklin Park Picnic

Join the Phi Mu Alpha and Sigma Alpha Iota chapters for a cookout in Franklin Park. Stop by for free food, music, and games in the park!

Franklin Park 300-398 E Chestnut St, Bloomington (Rain Location: Phi Mu Alpha House)

1:00 – 2:30pm - Larry Campbell Piano Dedication Recital

Please join the IWU Faculty and Friends in dedicating the Larry Campbell Memorial Piano.
Presser Hall, Westbrook Auditorium