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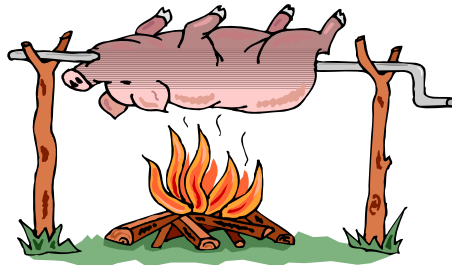
Alumni

Association

Save the Date...

*RWFAA 2009 Annual Meeting, Barbeque and
Maryland Game Indoor Tailgate
(Availability of Cable TV Coverage Permitting)
Saturday, November 7, 2009*

See insert for more information and to register.



The RWFAA Newsletter is published biannually by and for members of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association. News of general interest to RWF alumni is actively solicited.

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RWFEAA

Fall 2009

Kirk's Korner

By the time you read this newsletter, we will have welcomed our 67th new fall class! That is quite a run! The times have changed over 67 years, but the spirit, the community, the nurturing remains the same. The Wesley Foundation is still a place to meet and make new friends. Still a place where students like to call home. Think back to the friendships you made at Wesley. I suspect many of them are lasting friendships. Of course, we know about the numerous weddings that have resulted from many of those "friendships"! They did not call Brother Neal, "Marrying Sam" for nothing! But, we have also sent many a person into the ministry or positions of leadership in the Church or community.

I always enjoy hearing from alumni and hearing how much the Wesley Foundation meant to them and their faith journey. Recently, I was blessed to receive a package from one of our alums, Wilton Ward (NCSU '50), that contained mementos from his years at Wesley. I have not checked with him, but I hope he does not mind if I quote from a letter he wrote to the *Virginia Christian Advocate* on November 25, 1993:

"As a 17-year-old freshman at North Carolina State in the 1940s, I was soon lost and lonely-away from home, the farm and my church for the first time. Then I found the Wesley Foundation, rather I should say, the Wesley Foundation found me, with its wonderful part-time director, Juanita "Nita" Stott...Since those long-ago college years, my experiences with the foundation have remained clear in my mind. Those experiences and guidance have been most influential during my journey as an active Christian in the several places I have lived and the churches I have worshiped in North Carolina and Virginia..."

What a gift it is to hear this story, it is one we must tell over and over again. I once had a seminary professor say, "The Church must be of God or we would have killed it long ago." I think our ministry at the Raleigh Wesley Foundation must be of God, because the stories keep coming and the students keep coming, and for more than 67 years, we have been richly blessed.

What is your story? I'd love to hear it!

Blessings on you,
Kirk Oldham
Campus Minister

Working for You

President's Note

Back to School! Back to School! The signs are everywhere. Not only is it back to school for the kids, but back to school for the Wesley students. As fall quickly approaches, the Wesley students are getting back into the groove. Don't you remember those days? You had new classes, Wesley on Wednesday (WOW) meetings, new roommates, Wolfpack football games and the State Fair to attend. All these events remind us that fall is beginning. The most important event to kick off the start of fall is the Annual meeting and Fall Event of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association. This year our Fall Event is November 7th at the Hut. We will be watching the Wolfpack play Maryland, eating great food, and having our annual meeting. So mark your calendars now!!

This past April we had our annual spring golf outing at Knight's Play on Friday. If you missed it, then you missed a night full of good and bad golf shots, lots of laughs, prizes for all, and fellowship. After a night of laid back fun, we had the Banquet at Fairmont Fellowship Hall on Saturday. The group Pneumena preformed and they were wonderful! The a cappella vocal ensemble really moved everyone in attendance. This year the food was catered by Amedeo's. It was excellent Italian food! If you missed this spring event then make sure you make it next year!

The Alumni Association just recently had a workday at the Hut. We spend Saturday morning August 8th preparing the Hut for the upcoming school year. We cleaned and organized the kitchen, the study room, and the living room area. The couches are in bad shape! So bad, we had to duck tape some of the cushions together!! Help us get new ones and donate money to the Couch and Carpet Fund.

Last but not least, don't forget about the Bases Loaded Campaign. We still need a few hitters. We want the bases loaded and a few home runs. How else will we succeed? If you are not on a base, help us out and get on one soon. We need as many "runs" as possible.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Fall Event

The Lord be with you.
Rebecca Hawkins
RWFAA President

Working for You

Alumni Connection

Wesley Students Work in Costa Rica

A group of Wesley students and alumni traveled to San Buenaventura, Costa Rica following the end of classes and graduation in May. Our mission team spent the week building community with the people of the local Methodist Church and working to complete a new parsonage that will house the current minister and his family. We primarily worked on preparing the parsonage for painting and tile by puttying, sanding, caulking, and sweeping. Additionally, we poured a concrete sidewalk and built railings for the parsonage's back porch. Our workdays consisted of beginning work at 6 am, breaking for breakfast at 8, working until noon, taking a 2 hour lunch/siesta break, and then working until about 5 and eating dinner. We occupied ourselves at night through several very intense spades games, and by teaching one another how to deal with the local fauna, which included Godzilla-sized flying cockroaches! Our food was prepared by several local women who worked tirelessly in the kitchen to cook us food, and boy was it bueno! We spent one recreational day both traveling to a waterfall via horseback and zip lining through the Costa Rican forest. The sights, food, and relationships formed with the people of Costa Rica made this a truly fantastic trip, one that will be remembered and cherished by all who participated. Once again, thank you for your support of Wesley's mission programs!

Brittany Johnson
NCSU '09

Alumni Travel

Remember those mission trips? Remember the fun times and the learning experiences? Did you enjoy traveling and exploring with other RWF members? Interest has been expressed in forming alumni trips to travel around the globe. If you are interested in traveling with RWF alumni in the future, please let the office know (office@raleighwesley.org).

Saturday, November 7, 2009
Alumni Annual Meeting and Barbeque
Come Watch the Maryland Game at "The Hut" in Raleigh, NC
(*Availability of Cable TV Coverage Permitting)
Smithfield's Chicken and BBQ will be served at 6pm
[Reservation and payment deadline is October 28, 2009]

	Total Amount
_____ plates at \$15 each for adults	_____
_____ plates at \$7 each for children 6-12	_____
_____ plates at \$7 each for students (Grade 7 - College) (kids under 6 eat free)	_____
Check Total:	_____

*Join us for a "tailgate" at the Hut. Check the local listings for game times. Dinner will begin around 6pm (the tailgate event will be held regardless of game coverage).

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Preferred name on nametag: _____

Telephone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Please make checks payable to **Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association**
Mail form and payment to **Peggy Wilkins, 134 Clayfield Drive, Garner, NC 27529-4994**
or pay online at www.raleighwesley.org (PayPal, credit/debit card)
Click on "Alumni News," then "Make or Pay for Reservations"

Proceeds beyond expenses go to the Raleigh Wesley Foundation General Operating Fund

Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association Gift Program

Endowment funds have been established for the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association (RWFAA), to assist the Association in carrying out its purpose of promoting the success of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation (RWF). You may make a contribution to the following:

Neal McGlamery Endowment Fund - The available income is used for annual grants for the Neal McGlamery Scholarships for deserving students participating in the RWF program, and for Leadership and Personal Growth Grants that assist participating RWF students in attending student leadership conferences, retreats, etc.; all as approved by the RWFAA Board of Directors. Specific amounts of scholarships and grants will be determined by the availability of earnings received. This endowment fund is a memorial for Rev. Neal McGlamery, who was the Director of the RWF from 1955 to 1975.

Joe Mann Endowment Fund - The available income is used for general needs of the RWF, as approved by the RWFAA Board of Directors. This endowment fund honors Joe Mann, who was the Director of the RWF from 1975 to 1984.

Miss Kitty Endowment Fund - The available income is used for capital and facilities requirements for the RWF, as approved by the RWFAA Board of Directors. This endowment fund honors Ms. Kitty Thomas, who was the RWF office secretary from 1967 to 1987.

Campus Ministers Endowment Fund - The available income is used for service projects and other needs for the RWF, as approved by the RWFAA Board of Directors. This endowment fund is composed of three sub-funds. *The General Campus Ministers Sub-Fund* honors all campus ministers and other staff who have been vital in the leadership for the RWF. *The Brother and Sister Neal Sub-Fund* is a memorial for Brother Neal and honors Edith McGlamery. *The Nita Stott Sub-Fund* is in memorial for Juanita Stott, who was Director of the RWF from 1942 to 1945, and from 1949 to 1950.

Bill Sharpe Endowment Fund - The available income is used to support RWF mission work trips for projects in the United States and abroad. This fund honors Bill Sharpe, who was the Director of the RWF from 1984 to 1998. Raleigh Wesley Foundation Ministry Endowment Fund – The available income is used to support the program ministry of the RWF. Contributors donating \$60 minimum belong to the Sixty of Sixty Club, for another 60 years of RWF ministry from the 60th anniversary in 2002.

General Information Regarding Funds

- * All funds are handled, managed and invested by the United Methodist Foundation, Inc. in accordance with the directions of the RWFAA.
- * Until the corpus of each fund reaches a \$10,000 principal, all income is reinvested. After the corpus reaches maturity, 10% of the income of each fund is reinvested and the balance of the earnings for each fund is available for divestment to the RWFAA for the uses specified for each fund.
- * Bequests and memorials may be made to any of the funds.
- * Non-cash contributions, such as gifts of stock, real estate, or other non-cash instruments, are converted to cash and invested in the fund specified in the donation.
- * Un-designated contributions are accepted and are invested and/or used as determined best by the RWFAA Board of Directors.
- * A gift is considered as a charitable contribution and no goods or services are given in return for the contribution.

Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association Gift Program DONATION FORM

I (We) desire to help carry out the purpose of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association (RWFAA), to promote the success of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation (RWF), by providing a contribution as designated below:

\$ _____ Neal McGlamery Endowment Fund for scholarships

\$ _____ Joe Mann Endowment Fund for general needs of the RWF

\$ _____ Miss Kitty Endowment Fund for capital and facilities needs of the RWF

\$ _____ Campus Ministers Endowment Fund for RWF service projects
(select a sub-fund)

_____ General Campus Ministers Fund

_____ Brother and Sister Neal Fund

_____ Nita Stott Fund

\$ _____ Bill Sharpe Endowment Fund for RWF mission projects

\$ _____ Raleigh Wesley Foundation Ministry Endowment Fund for RWF program ministry

[Contributors donating \$60 minimum belong to Sixty for Sixty Club.]

\$ _____ Un-designated (disposition per RWFAA Board of Directors discretion)

\$ _____ TOTAL CONTRIBUTION In memory/honor of _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Make checks payable to the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni Association and mail to the Treasurer, Peggy Wilkins, 134 Clayfield Dr, Garner, NC 27529-4994 or pay online at www.raleighwesley.org (Paypal, credit/debit card)
Contact Peggy Wilkins at wilkinspc@aol.com or at 919-772-1793 with any questions.

Want to make a difference in the life of Raleigh Wesley Foundation?

Here are a few suggestions:

- Sign up your Sunday School class, Bible study group, or friends and fellow alumni to cook a meal for Wesley on Wednesday. The kitchen is well-stocked with kitchen utensils, and if you provide a good meal, will be filled with grateful students, too!
- Hunt down missing alumni and report them to the RWFAA Board so we can be sure they receive the newsletter, invitations to events, and other updates.
- If you're technically savvy, go on Facebook and join the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Alumni friends group.
- Make a donation to RWFAA to support the worthwhile projects of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation.
- The Raleigh Wesley Foundation has started an Ambassadors Program to help promote what Wesley can offer to high schools students when they go off to college. If you would like Wesley students to speak with your church's youth group about the Raleigh Wesley Foundation contact us at office@raleighwesley.org.
- Send us your email address. Our new web site will allow us to keep you informed of alumni news and events by email. Even if you are not sure we have your email address, feel free to send it again. The email for RWF is office@raleighwesley.org.

2008 Distinguished Alumni – Phil Wong

Congratulations to our 2008 Distinguished Alumni, Phil Wong. Phil has been actively involved in our RWF Alumni Association, having served on the Board of Directors in a number of capacities, including President. While serving in that office, Phil spear-headed the launch of our Bases Loaded Campaign and the creation of the Robert Bryant Memorial Worship Center in the old "Wesley Lounge". Phil is also an active member of Fairmont United Methodist where his wife, Heather, works as Program Director.

Nominate Your Distinguished Alumni

Nominations are still being accepted for the 2009 Distinguished Alumni Award. See the nomination form in this newsletter issue and honor your fellow alum with an award for their service to the Raleigh Wesley Foundation. The deadline for nominations is **April 1, 2010!**

2009 Distinguished Alumnus Award Nomination Form

We invite you to nominate an alumnus of the Raleigh Wesley Foundation for the 2009 Distinguished Alumnus Award. The RWFAA will recognize two of its alumni who has achieved accomplishments in the areas of service to church, community, and the world. The Alumni Board will determine the recipient and will present the award at the 2010 spring annual meeting. The recipients will receive a plaque, and his or her name will be added to the Distinguished Alumnus Award plaque on display at the Raleigh Wesley Foundation "Hut."

Qualifications for the Raleigh Wesley Foundation Distinguished Alumnus Award include the following:

- The individual must be an alumnus of Raleigh Wesley Foundation and have taken an active part in the Wesley Foundation while in school or working in Raleigh. This does not mean the individual had to have held an office, but he or she must have actively participated in the RWF.
- He or she must demonstrate active participation in a community of faith (local church) and religious Christian commitment in personal life.
- The individual should also contribute to local community and society through vocation, volunteer work, and other activities.

Nominee _____

Address _____

Phone and/or e-mail address _____

School Attended _____ Class _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

Description of Accomplishments and Qualifications _____

Submitted By _____ Date _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____ Phone _____

Deadline for Nominations is **April 1, 2010**.
Send this form and any supporting documents to
Becca Hawkins
975 Bland Howell Road
Kinston, NC 28504
or by e-mail to hawkins.becca@gmail.com
[nomination must be received by deadline to be considered]

Couches & Carpet Campaign

The couches and carpet in the Hut have served us well over the past several years. They are now starting to show signs of wear and tear. The carpet is unraveling and the vinyl upholstery on the furniture is starting to split. We recently repaired the couches with colored duct tape – a miracle product to be sure, but not a long-term fix! Structurally, the furniture is heavy duty and sound, so we would like to keep it and have it reupholstered. The carpet will soon need to be replaced. Unfortunately, these projects will exceed what we can handle in the operating budget. If you are interested in contributing to the “Couches & Carpet Campaign” or would like more information, you may contact the RWF office or send in a donation. Please indicate on your check *Couches & Carpet Campaign*. Thank you!

~Raleigh Wesley Foundation Wish List~

Ways you can directly help the Raleigh Wesley Foundation. The items on this list are either things we use regularly or items we would like to have that are not in the budget.

Donations are tax deductible.

Rolls of Plastic Table Covering
Copy Paper for the Office
Prepare A Meal for Wednesday Night
Grocery Store Gift Cards (for Wednesday night dinners)
Large Movie Screen (pull up style)
Frost-proof Upright Freezer
Couches Reupholstered (Carpet & Couches Fund)
New Carpet for the Hut (Carpet & Couches Fund)

If you need more information about any of these items, please call the Wesley office at 919-833-1861 or e-mail office@raleighwesley.org.

New Arrivals:

Rachel Perkinson Dickens (Meredith 2001; NCSU 2005) and husband Matthew welcomed Eliza Mae Dickens into the world on May 22, 2009. She weighed 7lbs 3ozs and was 20 inches long.

Sarah Holt Morrison (NCSU 2006) and husband Mike welcomed Steven David Morrison into the world on May 16, 2009. He weighed 8lbs and was 21 inches long.

Happenings:

Chuck Siler (NCSU 2004) and Kayla Mathis (Meredith 2006) got engaged May 17, 2009. Their wedding is planned for June 26, 2010.

Stephanie Lineberry (NCSU 2008) and Aaron Morris (NCSU 2009) were united in marriage on June 13, 2009.

Claire Moseley (NCSU 2006) and Tim Bailey were united in marriage on September 19, 2009.



RWF Bases Loaded Team

Play ball! The Raleigh Wesley Foundation has been in the business of tending to the spiritual life of our college students in Raleigh since the 1940s. In those 65+ years of ministry, the face of Wesley has changed in many ways, yet the purpose has remained the same, to provide a home where students can grow in grace and be nurtured in their faith journey. It has been a team effort – students, alumni, churches, board members, and friends have helped sustain our ministry throughout the years. In these challenging times, we need even more team members to “keep us in the game”.



Join the Team!



When you play on the RWF team, you are always a winner!

Single

A donation of up to \$100 gets you on base.

Double

A donation of \$101 - \$300 puts you at second.

Triple

A donation of \$301 - \$500 lands you at third base.

Home Run

A donation of \$501 - \$750 sends you around the bases to home.

Grand Slam

A donation of \$751 - \$1000 drives in a win for RWF.

Hall of Fame

A donation of \$1000+ helps RWF continue the winning tradition

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