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This newsletter will communicate the news of faculty and staff, update everyone on campus events, and welcome new colleagues to campus. Use the online form to submit good news, achievements, and spread the word about important events to our community.


HR News

- We would like to welcome the following employees to the W&J community:
  - Nicole Shannon, Assistant Director of Admission (June 15)
  - LaVar McClure, Design and Publications Manager (June 21)
  - Gregory Hallenbeck, Assistant Professor (July 1)
  - Ethan Schmick, Assistant Professor (July 1)
  - Deborah Silver, Administrative Assistant to VP Academic Affairs (July 10)
  - Jay Griffith, Lieutenant/Assistant Director of Campus & Public Safety (July 17)
  - Lauren London-Law, Head Volleyball Coach (August 1)

- The following employees are departing W&J. We wish them the best in their future endeavors.
  - Heather Breidlove, Accounting Clerk (June 29)
  - Ryan Verihay, Intern (June 30)
  - Michelle Duffy, Director Financial Aid (July 14)
  - Gary Rupert, Campus Police Officer Sergeant (July 31)
  - Brooke Turner, Head Volleyball Coach (July 31)
  - Cory Zahradnik, Director of Admission Operations (August 4)
  - Stephanie Marasiti-Georg, Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Student Counseling/Health Services (August 4)
  - John Bell, Campus Police Officer Lieutenant (August 5)
  - James Ward, Campus Police Officer Lieutenant (August 15)

- Congratulations to the following employees on achieving milestone anniversaries with the College:
  - Vince Luvara, 1 Year, Defensive Coordinator
  - Jeannene Jones, 1 Year, Residence Life Coordinator
  - Olivia Howell, 1 Year, Coordinator of Inclusive Campus Engagement
  - Sarah Dudik, 1 Year, Special Projects Manager
  - Kaitlyn Bamrick, 1 Year, Coordinator of Sorority and Fraternity Life
  - Ronalee Cococo, 1 Year, Director of Library Services
  - Chris Faulk, 5 Years, Asst. Director Club Intramural Sports and Head Tennis Coach
  - Justin Dandoy, 5 Years, Director of Community Engagement
  - Peter Curtis, 10 Years, Head Soccer Coach
  - Jami Klingsmith, 10 Years, Assistant Director Career Services
  - Jeanene Jones, 10 Years, Network Systems Analyst
  - Nicole Vitello, 10 Years, Head Softball Coach
  - Jomara Coghlan, 10 Years, Head Coach Field Hockey
  - Jeff Mountain, 15 Years, Head Baseball Coach
  - Mark Lesako, 15 Years, Head Trainer
  - Steve Pettit, 15 Years, Campus Security Officer Corporal
  - Roberta Cross, 15 Years, Director Career Services
  - Debra Lowe, 15 Years, Secretary
  - Cheri Duball, 15 Years, Acquisitions & Special Projects Assistant
  - Debra Trent, 25 Years, Supervisor Faculty Secretaries
  - Valerie Strimel, 35 Years, Secretary to the President

College Announcements

- It's an exciting time for the Presidents as we start another academic year. As you know, fall is also the time we welcome home our graduates at Homecoming & Reunion Weekend! The Office of Alumni Relations would like to invite you to take part in Homecoming & Reunion Weekend by offering you two complimentary tickets for the following activities on Saturday, Oct. 21: Tailgate Lunch from Noon–1:30 p.m. (Under the Tent, Olin Lawn) and Fifth Quarter from 4:30–7:30 p.m. (Under the Tent, Olin Lawn). If you choose to take advantage of the complimentary tickets, please email alumni@washjeff.edu by Friday, Sept. 22. Once your registration has been made, tickets can be picked up on Friday, Oct. 20 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. OR Saturday, Oct. 21 from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Barron P. McCune Alumni House.

- Want to catch up with our alumni? Keep an eye out for the summer issue of the Alumni Magazine, out this month!

News

- On August 1, W&J welcomed its 13th president, John C. Knapp, Ph.D. Dr. Knapp joins us after serving as president of Hope College for four years, with both academic and diversity profiles improving during his time there. A formal inauguration for Dr. Knapp will be held Thursday, October 19, to kick off homecoming weekend.

- Dr. Jason Kilgore, Associate Professor of Biology, and students from his forest ecology class were featured in an article on the LI-COR Biosciences Inc. website for their work with the LI-6800 Portable Photosynthesis System. You can read the article here.

Scholarship

- Dr. Mark Harris, Professor of Chemistry, was an invited panelist at the Educator's Luncheon at the Protein Society annual meeting held in Montreal, Canada from July 24-27, 2017.

- Dr. Jennifer Harding published her first book in 2017 titled Similes, Runs and Counterfactuals in Literary Narrative. Harding also won a Fulbright award and spent the spring semester in Prague, Czech Republic, teaching two courses at Charles University.

- Dr. Jason Kilgore, Associate Professor of Biology, presented a talk entitled "Effects of ash loss on forest vegetation: Long-term monitoring at primarily undergraduate institutions (PUI's)" at the Science and Management of Ash Forests after EAB Workshop, Duluth, Minnesota, July 2017.