

## Centennial Honors College

### Scholarship Applications Due Tuesday!

Applications for several Honors College scholarships are due on Tuesday, April 1. You can find application forms for the Martin Dupuis Award for Leadership, the Cecile A. Christison Sterrett Award, the Dan and Laura Webb Pre-Law Scholarship, and the Ernest Codilis Pre-Law Scholarship at the Honors College or on our website here: [http://www.wiu.edu/centennial\\_honors\\_college/forms.php](http://www.wiu.edu/centennial_honors_college/forms.php).

### Abstracts for URD Due Friday, April 4

Abstracts for the 2014 Thomas E. Helm Undergraduate Research Day (which will be held on Wednesday, April 16 in the University Union) are due on April 4. Students can present their work as a poster, a podium talk, or a performance. For submission instructions go to: [http://www.wiu.edu/centennial\\_honors\\_college/research\\_day/researchday.php](http://www.wiu.edu/centennial_honors_college/research_day/researchday.php).

### Environmental Summit "Lite" on Tuesday, April 1

Next Tuesday, April 1 there will be a series of events that will constitute an "Environmental Summit Lite." The first is a talk at 12:30pm on the west side of the fourth floor of the Malpass Library by Terra Brockman, the founder of The Land Connection and author of *The Seasons on Henry's Farm*. Then at 4pm there will be a reception and book signing event for Ms. Brockman in the Garden Lounge of the Malpass Library. At 7pm, Ms. Brockman will give a formal presentation in Stipes 121 entitled "Changing the World One Meal at a Time: What One Person Can Do." These events are co-sponsored by the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs, the WIU Libraries, the Sustainability Committee, Facilities Management, and the Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research.

### Fall 2014 Honors Course Descriptions Now Online

Course descriptions for fall 2014 General Honors courses are now available on our website here: [http://www.wiu.edu/centennial\\_honors\\_college/courses.php](http://www.wiu.edu/centennial_honors_college/courses.php)



**COFAC Honors Breakfast:** Stacey Macchi from the Department of Communication, addressed honors students at the COFAC Honors Breakfast on Tuesday, March 25 in the Lincoln Room.



**SHA Cleans North Lafayette:** SHA members gathered to clean up their adopted street (North Lafayette) on Saturday, March 22. (photo courtesy of Datrese Hearn)

### Student Honors Association News

The next SHA meeting will be on Wednesday, April 2 at 9pm in the Tanner Hall E-classroom. The SHA Blood Drive has been re-scheduled for April 18 from 10am to 2pm in the Garden Lounge of the Malpass Library. Elections for Fall 2014 SHA officers will be held at the April 16 SHA meeting. If you are interested in running for a position on the SHA Board, go to the April 16 meeting and throw your hat into the ring!

### Career Development Workshop April 2

The next Spring Semester Career Development Workshop is on Wednesday, April 2. The topic will be "ECareer: Using Online Resources." The workshop will begin at noon in the Library 3rd Floor Computer Classroom and will focus on how to use technology for career planning.

## **RPTA Sponsored Professional Development Conference April 10 & 11**

Recreation, Park and Tourism Administration is sponsoring a "Professional Development Conference" that is open to students from all majors at WIU. The conference will begin with a Social from 5-7pm on Thursday, April 10 in the Alumni House, and will continue on Friday, April 11 at 8:30 am in Horrabin Hall with sessions that will continue until 1:30pm. The cost of the conference is \$10 and that includes meals. You can register for the conference at <http://www.wiu.edu/coehs/rpta/pdc.php> . The registration deadline is April 1. For more information, call (309) 298-1967.

## **Two Talks in April About Liberal Arts in Malpass 180**

The WIU Libraries and the Masters of Liberal Arts and Sciences Program are co-sponsoring two talks in April about the value of the liberal arts in higher education. Both talks will be given by students in the WIU MLAS program. The first will be given by Hollace Good on April 9 at noon in Malpass 180. The title of this talk will be "Valuing the Humanities and a Liberal Arts Education." The second will be given by Diann Sugden on April 16 at noon in Malpass 180. The title of this talk will be "Reading Federico Garcia Lorca alongside Kenneth Burke."

## **Screening of *Restrepo* on Thursday, April 3 in the Sandburg Theatre**

The National Geographic documentary *Restrepo* will be shown next Thursday, April 3 at 3pm in the Sandburg Theatre. The documentary is about a platoon of U.S. soldiers in the Korengal Valley in Afghanistan. The screening is sponsored by the Veterans Resource Center, the University Counseling Center, the Department of Military Science, the Disability Resource Center, and Beu Health Center. All WIU students, staff, and faculty are welcome to attend. For more information, call the Veterans Resource Center at (309) 298-3505.

## **Sunday, March 30 is Last Day to Withdraw from Spring Courses**

Sunday, March 30 is the last day you can withdraw from a regularly scheduled 16 week spring semester course. Remember that if you withdraw from a course at this point, you will still be charged for the course and it will remain on your transcript with a "W" grade. You can withdraw from a course yourself on STARS between now and Sunday, but it's always a good idea to check with your academic advisor before dropping a course.

## **April is Mathematics Awareness Month!**

According to the American Mathematical Society, April is Mathematics Awareness Month! The theme this year is "Mathematics, Magic, and Mystery." You can read all about the month, and find activities related to the month at these two websites: <http://www.ams.org/samplings/math-awareness-month/mam> and <http://www.mathaware.org/index.html> .

### **Study Abroad Feature of the Week:**

#### **Barcelona SAE Study Abroad Programs: Pre-Law and Soccer**

**(by Emily Bahr)**

Are you interested in studying abroad in Spain? Barcelona Study Abroad Experience (SAE) offers a number of unique program options for students looking to study abroad in a vibrant, Spanish city. One of Barcelona's noteworthy programs focuses on legal issues, and it covers a variety of introductory topics while emphasizing an international perspective. This program is ideal for pre-law majors interested in enriching their academic program with a semester-long international experience. Another one of Barcelona SAE's programs examines the history and culture of fútbol in Spain, as well as its popularity throughout the world. This four-week summer program is a great opportunity for soccer fans who are looking for an international education experience. For more information about each of these programs, visit Barcelona SAE's website at <http://www.barcelonasae.com/>.

If you are interested in learning more about Barcelona SAE or any of WIU's other study abroad opportunities in more than 50 destinations, please contact the Office of Study Abroad at (309) 298-2504, visit our website at [www.wiu.edu/studyabroad](http://www.wiu.edu/studyabroad), like our Facebook page: Western Illinois University Study Abroad, or follow us on Twitter: @wiustudyabroad.

## Mystery Photo of the Week

Three *E-Letter* readers knew the location of the mural in last week's mystery photo (below and left). Sharon Keeling, Angie Sullivan, and Krista Bowers Sharpe all knew that the mural is on the outside west wall of the building housing Studio Three Stitchery on the north side of West Jackson. According to my sources, the mural was painted by Chuck Day of Nine Dot Studio, and years ago there was a different mural on the same wall featuring various Disney characters.

**This week's mystery photo>>>>>:** Where in Macomb is this building, and what is its current function?



## Movies Movies Movies

The Rialto website has not yet updated its movie listings for the week, but you can keep checking at <http://www.earlann.net/rialtocinemas.html> or call (309) 833-2626. On April 2, the WIU Film Club will show "The Ninth Configuration" at 7pm in Simpkins 220. Remember that the documentary "Restrepo" will be shown on Thursday, April 3 at 3pm in the Sandburg Theatre of the University Union.

### Ya's Sudoku:

Old Puzzle

4	2	1	3
1	3	4	2
2	1	3	4
3	4	2	1

New Puzzle

		1	
		2	
	3		
	1		



**Another Perspective:** The COFAC Honors Breakfast as seen from the south side of the Lincoln Room