



*e-newsletter from WIU's Journalism program
for the week of April 30, 2012*

Eleven earn Journalism, URD awards

News: + UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH DAY, DEPT.

RECOGNIZE ACHIEVEMENTS. Seniors Jenna Braasch and Nick Ulbert won 2nd and 3rd place awards for presentations at April 18's Undergraduate Research Day in the University Union.

Last week, nine other students won scholarships and/or awards for in-class writing, graphics work and photojournalism. Writing award winners were Alyse Thompson (1st), Brian Allen (2nd – and also 1st for photojournalism), and Jessica Harper (3rd). Graphics award winners were Rayvon Shelton (1st – pictured at right), Jessica Hobart (2nd) and Dane Kennedy (3rd). Other photojournalism award winners were Collin Calderwood (2nd) and Morgan Carlson (3rd).

Joanay Shepherd won the Dameris Bagwell Scholarship; Alyse Thompson won both the Bill Bradshaw Scholarship and the Department's Scholar of the Year.

+ WISCONSIN JOB OPENING. The Beloit Daily News contacted WIU's Journalism program about an opening there, saying, "The best reporters are not impressed by diplomas and pedigrees. They've learned the three ingredients for journalism success -- energy, enthusiasm, curiosity. Those are the non-negotiable first qualifiers we look for in a reporter. We're looking now and will make a fast hire. We prefer a solid track record, but we're pleased to consider talented newcomers with an abundance of our EEC qualifier. This is an immediate opening in a news-rich environment in the busy Northern Illinois/Southern Wisconsin region near Madison, Rockford, Milwaukee and Chicago. Competitive pay and benefits, along with exceptional quality of life. Respond with cover letter, resume, clips, references and salary history to Editor William Barth, Beloit Daily News, 149 State St., Beloit, WI 53511, or bbarth@beloitdailynews.com (Equal Opportunity Employer)."



Announcements: + AWARD-WINNING FILM CLUB THROWING YEAR-END

PIZZA PARTY. The Film Club – last week recognized by WIU as the year's most improved small student organization – is holding an end-of-the-year pizza party and screening of the 2004 movie *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* (left) at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Simpkins 220

+ SPJ MEETING, PICKING OFFICERS. Western's chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists will meet at 3 p.m. Thursday at the Western Courier's newsroom to select officers for next year.

+ SEATS STILL OPEN FOR FIRST-TIME SUMMER OFFERING OF ADVERTISING PRINCIPLES. Registration for summer classes continues, so take advantage of Journalism's 2012 opportunity: Advertising Principles & Practices: Journalism 331, with Associate Professor Terri Simmons, STAR # 75666.

+ SINBA HAS NEW OFFICERS. WIU's revived chapter of Students in the Illinois News Broadcasters Association has new officers for the 2012-13 year, according to faculty adviser Roger Sadler: Rachel Steibing is President, Adam Yingst Vice President, Dan Firnbach Treasurer and Megan Warren Secretary.

News Quiz

Reply with answers to the quiz by noon Thursday and be eligible for a free Journalism T-shirt. One winner will be drawn weekly from those who answer the most correctly. At Finals Week, a name will be drawn from previous winners for a \$40 gift certificate at Hy-Vee. Last week's winner was Dan Jacobson, a junior Communications major from Algonquin, Ill.

**[Last issue's news quiz answers were:
1-A, 2-C, 3-B, 4-D and 5-C.]**



1. Speaking before an inquiry last week, News Corporation chief _____ tried to deflect suggestions that he wielded influence with British officials to further his corporate interests.
 - A. James Murdoch
 - B. Matt Murdock
 - C. Rupert Murdoch
 - D. Piers Morgan
2. Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke last Wednesday dismissed proposals to escalate the Fed's economic stimulus campaign and affirmed its intention to continue policies that aim to increase spending by holding down interest rates until late _____.
 - A. 2013
 - B. 2014
 - C. 2015
 - D. 2016
3. A production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's _____ is scheduled for this Friday and Saturday at WIU's Hainline Theater.
 - A. *Evita*
 - B. *Cats*
 - C. *Jesus Christ Superstar*
 - D. *Phantom of the Opera*
4. Philip Humber of the _____ pitched the 21st perfect game in MLB history last week.
 - A. Cardinals
 - B. Cubs
 - C. Royals
 - D. White Sox
5. After losing another GOP primary, ex-Speaker Newt Gingrich recently told Mitt Romney that he would formally end his campaign _____.
 - A. this week
 - B. at the start of the next fiscal year, June 1
 - C. July 4th
 - D. when pigs fly

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