

## Fagan leads efforts to build better, stronger Alumni Association

Jim Fagan took over the helm last spring as chair of the WVU Alumni Association's Board of Directors. Under his leadership and guidance, the board and staff have been working together to accomplish a number of goals that will improve programs and services for WVU alumni and friends.

"WVU has the most loyal, committed alumni in the country," says Fagan. "During a recent survey of alumni, we were able to hone in on some of the things that are important to our alumni, and I'm pleased to say that we have taken steps to enhance our services and meet the ever-changing needs of our alumni."

One of the areas where you will find an increased focus is on mentoring. Working with WVU's Career Services, the Alumni Association will be rolling out a database system that will help connect WVU alumni and students with mentors. By registering with "Monster Trak" - a unit of Monster.com - alumni will be able to register to be a mentor, providing valuable career services to other WVU alumni.

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One of our biggest goals this year is to implement a web site that provides access to a wealth of information for alumni and friends. Our new interactive web site will enable alumni and friends to have access to the most-up-to-date information, register for events and stay connected to their friends and to the University. In addition, this new site will enable us to showcase all of the great achievements and accomplishments of our alumni.

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*The Honorable Judge Irene Berger, past President, passes the gavel to Jim Fagan, 2004-2005 Chair of the Board of Directors.*

In addition to bridging the digital divide, Fagan also notes the importance of recruiting the next generation of Mountaineers.

"We, as alumni, play a critical role in recruiting the best and brightest to WVU," explains Fagan. "Vehicles like the National Alumni Recruiting

Network provide us with opportunities to go to our local high schools and share our experiences and encourage new students to attend WVU."

National Alumni Recruiting Network (NARN) volunteers are valuable resources. These volunteers offer to visit local high schools, write letters to prospective students or make a personal contact. Alumni can be very powerful in recruiting future Mountaineers.

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## Loyalty Permanent Endowment Fund Surpasses \$10 Million

The WVU Alumni Association rang in the New Year with \$10 million in total contributions to its Loyalty Permanent Endowment Fund (LPEF).

“This is a milestone for students, alumni and friends of the University,” said Steve Douglas, President and Chief Executive Officer, WVU Alumni Association. “We are extremely fortunate to have loyal donors who continue to support this scholarship fund. Their generosity is a true testament to our current and former scholars.”

For nearly 70 years, the LPEF has been giving deserving students an opportunity to pursue their dreams at WVU. Established in 1937 by the WVU Alumni Association, the LPEF has awarded more than 2,500 men and women with scholarships to attend WVU. Funded entirely from unsolicited private contributions, the LPEF is the oldest source of funds to the WVU Scholars Program.

In 2004, more than 375 scholarships totaling more than \$400,000 were awarded through the LPEF to deserving students, including valedictorians, student body presidents and other high achieving Mountaineers. This year’s increase to the LPEF will enable the Fund trustees to provide more WVU students with scholarship opportunities. Members of the Board of Trustees are: General Earl E. Anderson, USMC, Retired, James H. “Buck” Harless, and James R. McCartney.

In 2004, Erin Marcum of Nitro, W.Va., received the Harry L. Lantz Distinguished Scholar award and Adam Simmons of Parkersburg, W.Va., was awarded the Distinguished Scholar award from the WVU Alumni Association.



Stanley Friedman (left) received “President Emeritus” in recognition of more than 50 years of service to the North Coast Cleveland Chapter. Steve Douglas presented a Mountaineer statue to Stan at the Chapter’s annual dinner.

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# Chapter Chat

## National Capital Area Chapter Joins Elite Group

Through generous contributions from alumni and friends, the National Capital Area Chapter (NCAC) of the West Virginia University (WVU) Alumni Association surpassed \$50,000 in scholarship contributions for the Col. John F. Nicholas Jr. Memorial National Capital Area Scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded to deserving students from the Washington, D.C., area through the WVU Scholars Office.

“The NCAC has joined the Boone County Chapter in reaching the \$50,000 scholarship milestone. We are extremely proud of their efforts and their commitment to education,” says Steve Douglas, President and CEO of the WVU Alumni Association. The scholarship was named in memory of Col. Nicholas who was a distinguished WVU alumnus and former chapter leader.

The National Capital Area Chapter donated \$2,500 to the WVU Alumni Association to support the efforts of the organization, including the exploration of a new facility for alumni and friends.



L-r: Tim Bolling, WVU Foundation, accepts a check from Chapter President Carol Wallace and Lionel Taylor of the NCAC.

## Upcoming Events

New England Chap. Golf Tourney	May 14
Cincinnati-Dayton Chapter “Evening with Carl Hatfield”	May 14
Peach State Chap. Golf Outing	May 21
Central Ohio Golf Tourney (tent.)	May 28
University Chap. Golf Tourney	June 2
Tidewater Chap. Golf Tourney	June 10
Peach State Chap. WV Day Celebration	June 20
NCAC State of the U Address	June 21
RTP Chapter WV Birthday Party	June 24
Greater Pittsburgh Chap. Golf Tourney	July 8
Delaware Chap. Family Picnic	July 16
Boone Co. Pig Roast	July 23
Gold & Blue Weekend, Stonewall Resort	July 28-30
Blue Ridge Chapter Pig Roast	Aug. 13
Cincinnati-Dayton Chap. Picnic	Aug. 14
RTP Family Picnic	Aug. 14
NCAC Crabfeast	Aug. 27
University Chapter Countdown to Kickoff	Aug. 28
Marmaduke Dent Dinner	Sept. 10

## New Chapters Take Shape

Two new chapters of the Alumni Association are taking shape in the Parkersburg and Fairmont areas. The Wood County Chapter kicked things off with a game-watching party in October. Alumni and friends joined together to cheer the Mountaineers on to victory against the Syracuse Orangemen. For more information about the Wood County Chapter, contact Scot Swartz at 304.424.9842 or e-mail [scot.swartz@msbcbs.com](mailto:scot.swartz@msbcbs.com).

Additionally, the newly-formed Marion County Chapter is also on the move recruiting members and planning upcoming events. The Chapter held a game watch and recruitment reception during the WVU -Marshall game in January. More than 50 alumni and friends turned out for the event. For more information, contact Jeannie Brennaman at 304.366.7431 or e-mail [wwufan.forever@verizon.net](mailto:wwufan.forever@verizon.net).

## NO LOCAL CHAPTER?

Create a new one! For details, contact Gregg Cave at 304.293.4731 or e-mail [gregg.cave@mail.wvu.edu](mailto:gregg.cave@mail.wvu.edu).

# Alumni Recognition

## Alumni Recognized During Homecoming/ Mountaineer Week

### *Mary Lou Bullard Moore*

Homecoming at WVU is always steeped in tradition, and this year was no exception. We welcomed WVU's first Homecoming queen - Mary Lou Bullard Moore - as the 2004 Parade Marshal.

Mrs. Moore was crowned Homecoming queen in 1939. A native of Wheeling, she went on to become the All-American College Queen, a competition sponsored by Paramount Pictures and Radio Guide magazine the following year. A 1942 graduate of WVU, Moore was honored during a halftime ceremony at the WVU-Temple game. Mrs. Moore now resides in Charleston.

"It was so wonderful to be back on campus and see how much it has changed," said Moore. "I am so honored to have the opportunity to be part of the Homecoming festivities."



*Mary Lou Bullard Moore*



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Dave Hendrickson was honored as the 2004 Outstanding Alumnus. He graduated cum laude from WVU in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in history. The former student body president and member of the Mountain Honorary continued his education at WVU where he graduated from the WVU College of Law in 1982.

A founding partner in the law firm of Hendrickson & Long, Hendrickson has maintained a steadfast commitment to WVU for more than 20 years. He was a member of the WVU Alumni Association's Board of Directors where he served as president and was instrumental in establishing the Marmaduke H. Dent Society. He continues his support of the Society by assisting in fund raising efforts including the annual Gold and Blue Weekend golf tournament and Kanawha Valley Chapter scholarship dinner/wine tasting event. He also serves on the Mountaineer Athletic Council. Dave lives in Charleston with his wife, Stephanie, and stepson, Andrew.

### *Alfred F. Ware*

Al Ware was selected as the Most Loyal Alumni Mountaineer during Mountaineer Week for exemplifying faithfulness to the ideals and goals of the University and exhibiting support for WVU activities and operations through leadership and service. Ware, who received both a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1950 and a master's degree in speech/communications in 1952 from WVU, has long been an advocate of the University, giving of his time, money and expertise.

In addition to serving on the WVU Alumni Association's board of directors and the WVU School of Physical Education's Visiting Committee where he serves as chair, he also was part of the National Campaign Committee of the successful Building Greatness Campaign.

Ware, a member of the WVU Academy of Distinguished Alumni and the WVU School of Physical Education Hall of Fame, is the former chairman of the board of Amherst International Inc. (Amherst FiberOptics). Ware and his wife, Delores Jamison Ware, formerly resided in Morgantown. They have two sons, Scot and Brent.



*Al Ware*

## Association efforts continued from page 1

The Alumni Association has been working with WVU's Career Services to implement an online career network for students who are preparing to enter the workforce. Students can register through MonsterTRAK and get connected to other WVU alumni. This service offers assistance with career-related issues, including job postings and internships, updating resumes, create user profiles and research corporations. Our students and alumni, particularly young alumni, are looking for mentors, and who better to take on this role than WVU alumni!

"This is an exciting time for the Alumni Association, the University and students," says Fagan. "In the coming months, we will continue to focus on opportunities to grow our membership, enhance services, strengthen alumni chapters and provide scholarships to deserving students. As always, we will continue to be here for the University by providing advocacy support, developing programs for students and recruiting new students."



*The Mesopotamia Mountaineers - Cpt. Michael A. Payne, '93 BA; Maj. John H. Casper, '89 BA; Sgt. First Class Richard Wissuchek, '84 BA; Maj. Frank J. DeCarlo, '98 JD, MBA; Sgt. Roland Walters, '03 BA; and Lt. Capt. Michael R. Brumage, '86 MD, '82 BS. The photo was taken by SPC David C. Dyer, a graduate of WVU Tech, in front of one of Sadaam Hussein's former palaces in Tikrit, Iraq.*

### NARN Wants You!

Help us recruit the next generation of Mountaineers by becoming a volunteer with NARN.

- Visit area high schools
- Make calls to prospective students
- Participate in your local college fair

*For more information about NARN, please contact Courtney Jennings or Amber McLaughlin at (304) 293-6871.*

## Lonestar chapter serves up Hokies to feed the hungry

The Mountaineer football team may have lost the battle against Virginia Tech, but members of the Lonestar Houston chapter won the battle to feed the hungry.

Each year, members of the Lonestar chapter challenge Virginia Tech's Houston chapter to raise money and donations for the Houston Food Bank.

This is the fourth annual food drive challenge held between the two chapters.

## WON'T YOU JOIN US?

Your support is key to our success. If you're not an Alumni Association member, return this form to us at: WVU Alumni Association, PO Box 4269, Morgantown, WV 26504.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s) of graduation, degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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## Student Alumni Association Is On the Move

**M**ore than 200 students signed on to help their school, alumni and communities as part of the Student Alumni Association (SAA).

Tonya Arnett, a sophomore from Morgantown, serves as president of the organization.

“The SAA is an opportunity for students to get involved and help strengthen the University,” says Arnett. “It’s also is a great way to meet new people, including WVU alumni.”

The group volunteered for our first-ever young alumni event last fall. In addition, the SAA has been busy helping their community.

Members of SAA organized a Halloween party for children of WVU staff and faculty. In addition, children from Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Central West Virginia attended the event. More than 70 children attended the party which included games, a costume parade and snacks.

## SAA Royalty

**T**iffany Johnson, a senior broadcast major from Chesapeake, Va., represented the SAA on the 2004 Homecoming court.

Johnson served as secretary of the SAA and is also active in

numerous campus activities, including the African Dance Ensemble, intramural basketball and New Student Orientation, where she served as a student assistant. She has also participated in student fashion shows and served as a tour guide for Mountaineer Visitation Days.

After graduation, she hopes to continue her graduate education at WVU. Tiffany is the daughter of Andrea and Edward Gaines. Her younger sister, Crystal, attends Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts.



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