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**Nostalgia – But Not
Like it Used to Be**

Class of 1971--50 Year Reunion Newsletter

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**Less Than a Month to go Until Our IWU 1971 & '70 In Person Reunions
April 29-May 1, 2022 (Friday, Saturday & Sunday)**

**We Look Forward to Seeing You on Campus
for a Beautiful Spring Gathering
REGISTER NOW at this Link → [Reunion \(iwu.edu\)](https://iwu.edu/reunion)**

The \$25 per person registration fee will provide access to all University-sponsored on-campus events and the 50th Reunion Class Dinner at the Doubletree. That fee will be fully refunded in the event of a cancellation. Your Class Reunion Committee and fellow classmates are sponsoring the Friday evening Kickoff Reception.

Here is the Full Schedule of Events

Friday, April 29

50th Reunion Headquarters

Location: Hansen Student Center - Old Memorial Gym

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Find out more about Reunion events and let us know you're back on campus (or register if you have not already done so.) Pick up your name tag and class reunion ribbon, and receive your special gift.

Tate Archives Tour

Location: Ames Library (1 Ames Plaza)

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The tour will dive into the University Archives which contains records of our university history, including memorabilia from our student days (e.g., student publications, scrapbooks, dance booklets, photographs, etc.).

Campus Tour

Location: Departs from Ames Library

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The campus tour is a guided walk (or ride) through Illinois Wesleyan's quadrangle with access to various buildings. Take a look around campus to see your favorite spots and check out the many changes since our student days. Golf carts are available upon request.

Baseball Game & Tailgate

Location: Horenberger Field (300 E Kelsey Street)

Time: Pre-game Tailgate begins at 2:30 p.m.; Game begins at 3:00 p.m.

The Titans play host to rival Augustana College in a CCIW matchup. Enjoy a pre-game tailgate event with provided food and drinks. Watch the game from the tailgate tent inside the stadium or a seat behind the plate!

Cocktail Hour

Location: Young Main Lounge in Memorial Center

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Get together for a special cocktail hour with your fellow residents and housemates. All halls and Greek houses will be represented with historic photos and memorabilia.

Dinner on Your Own

Location: TBD. Revisit one of your old favorite places or consider reserving a table at Baxter's American Grille so you won't need to drive to the Class Kick-Off Reception. See below.

1971 Kick Off – Dessert Reception

Location: Baxter's American Grille (3212 E Empire St, Bloomington, IL)

Time: 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Come enjoy post-dinner dessert, drinks, and snacks in our own room at Baxter's with a great soundtrack and '67-'71 memorabilia.

Saturday, April 30

50th Reunion Headquarters

Location: Hansen Student Center - Old Memorial Gym

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

If you have not already done so, check in (or Register), pick up your name tag and milestone class reunion ribbon, and receive your special gift.

President's Brunch – Honoring Dr. William B. Farrar '71 and Kathy Larey Lewton '70

Location: Young Main Lounge in Memorial Center

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Join the Alumni Association Board of Directors for a brunch honoring our 2021 Alumni Award Winners.

Back to College Classes

Location: Hansen Student Center - Old Memorial Gym

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Details coming soon.

College Bowl Trivia Game

Location: Tommy's at Hansen Student Center – Old Memorial Gym

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Test your knowledge of 60's and 70's popular culture, history, music, and sports! Create teams of four in advance or on the spot to take on your classmates and their guests from 1970 and 1971. Teams can be mixed-and-matched from both reunion years.

50th Reunion Dinner

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton (10 Brickyard Dr, Bloomington, IL)

Time: 6:30pm

Celebrate your class reunion weekend by joining our classmates and guests for drinks, conversation, and dinner. Please arrive on time for our group photos, We will again have a great soundtrack of the best music from our youth, as well as displays of memorabilia and photos and other conversation starters. The Class of 1970 will also be holding their Reunion Dinner at this location.

Sunday, May 1

1971 Memorial Service

Location: Evelyn Chapel (1301 N Park Street)

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Join us for a brief Memorial Service celebrating the lives of our deceased classmates. The Class of 1970 Memorial Service will follow at 10:15 a.m.

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Location: The Dug Out at Memorial Center (

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Join us for breakfast on campus at The Dug Out.

Class of 2022 Commencement

Location: Kemp Commencement Plaza on Eckley Quadrangle (in Front of State Farm Hall), weather permitting.

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Participate in the University's 172nd Commencement! Join the Class of 2022 and proceed into Commencement proudly carrying our Class of 1971 banner. VIP seating will be available for all classmates who wish to participate and hear fellow classmate, Dr. William Farrar '71, who will be the featured Commencement Speaker and receive an Honorary Doctorate.

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Trigger Warning!!

To Readers who suffer with gerascophobia (fear of aging) – Some of these stories may bring back ancient memories that are disturbing reminders of the passage of time since your glorious youth.

Party Like It's 1971??

Probably not. We are hopefully both wiser and less wild than we were then, but that does not mean we need to have less fun during our Reunion Festivities. Bring your memories (all of them) of the intense times we experienced while at IWU, along with any interesting photos, memorabilia and stories from that time or the years since to share at the Friday Kick-Off Reception and the Saturday Reunion Banquet.

Your Reunion Committee has planned a number of things to stimulate memories and conversations and generally add to the joy of our time together. Among other things, at the Saturday Banquet, in addition to a brief formal program of introductions, acknowledgements and extremely terse remarks, Judi Kasper Ballard has compiled a wonderful playlist of the great music of our era (bring your dancing shoes), John Reinhardt has put together a great slide show with images from our time on campus and other information that will play on a loop during the evening, and there will be various displays of photos, fun facts and memorabilia courtesy of Dick Wray, Judith Schulz and others.

We also plan some surprises in the form of reveals related to the unique "Claims" that some of us submitted when we completed the information forms for the Memory Books. Remember that? See Issue 2 of this Newsletter for a refresher.

In addition to the usual class group photos, there will be a photographer on hand for posed and candid shots of those in attendance. Also, recall that the Class of 1970 reunion dinner will be right next door, so there will be plenty of opportunities for cross-talk.

SUCCESS !!!

We Exceeded Our Giving Goal

The suspense is over. We not only achieved, but significantly exceeded our 50-Year Reunion Giving Goal of \$1 Million. In the final weeks of 2021, even after our In-Person Reunion plans for Homecoming were stalled, the Class of 1971 stepped up and pushed our total giving for the five years ending December 31, 2021, to \$1,123,595.78.

Thanks to each of the 310 generous members of our Class who made this happen! Your gifts will make an Illinois Wesleyan education possible for current students and the generations to come.

Not only that, but you may also appreciate the satisfaction of outcompeting the Class of 1970. We beat their total dollar amount by \$50,712.73.

MORE TRIVIA--Seriously???

Given the IWU Class of '71 Trivia contest at our virtual reunion event last October and the numerous Trivia questions featured in the last issue of this newsletter, you may be shaking your heads in wonder at the inclusion of yet another Trivia event in the Reunion Schedule for April 30. But there are significant differences that promise to make the In Person version a lot of fun.

First, the April event will not be limited to arcana related to our experiences at IWU. The subject matter will encompass a broad range of more traditional questions about popular culture and events in the 1960's and 1970s.

Second, it will be organized and conducted by real professionals using modern technology, similar to what you may have encountered in a bar or on a cruise ship. A Bloomington-based organization named Twin City Trivia will be doing this for us. To get an idea of how they operate, check out their Web Site -- [Twin City \(twincitytrivia.com\)](http://Twin City (twincitytrivia.com)).

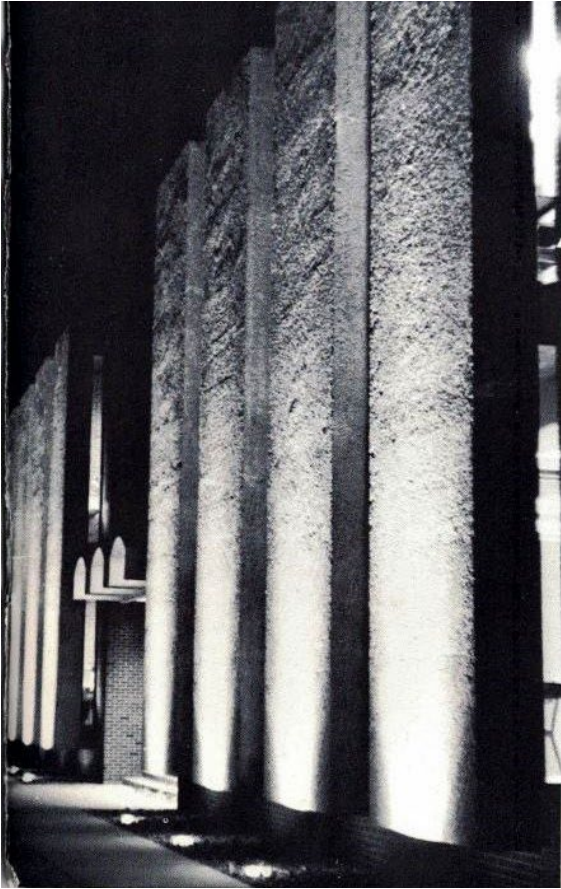
In sum, they do the work and facilitate the event and all we need to do is show up and play (or watch.) Teams can have up to 4 people and you can either form a team in advance or join up to form one at the event. It should be great fun!

In Memorium

Please join your classmates and other survivors for the Class of 1971 Memorial Service in Evelyn Chapel at 9 a.m. on Sunday morning, May 1, to celebrate the lives of the growing number of members of our class who have passed on. There is no need to register for this event; all are welcome. Since we published the list of the 42 classmates to be honored at this Service in the June 2021 Issue of this newsletter, we have learned of three more who must be added:

David Mauch
Kent E. Peters
Adlai E Stevenson III H'71
(Our Commencement Speaker)

The Birth, Life, and Ultimate Demise of Our “New Library”



THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY LIBRARY



In 1967 when many of us first arrived on campus, the north side of the IWU Quadrangle (the former site of “Old North and Duration Hall”) was a construction site. As Freshman, we watched as massive precast concrete panels arrived on flatbed trailer trucks and were hoisted into place to form the curtain wall of the New Library.

In the summer of 1968, students on campus formed a hand-to-hand “book brigade” to move the majority of the Library book collection from Neo-Romanesque Buck Memorial Library across the Quad into the ultra-modern “New Library,” which was later rechristened the “Sheean Library” in honor of a major donor.

The University Librarian, Rodney Ferguson, who oversaw the design of the New Library had a vision. While that vision had many good elements, it perhaps reflected an “Age of Aquarius” understanding of human nature, and did NOT include a secure check-out system at the main exit, so all circulating materials were checked out on the “Honor

System.” In the view of some this led to problems when needed items could not be located either in the stacks or in the records of items checked out to individual faculty or students.

What are your memories of our New Library? Do any of these items ring a bell for you:

- ❖ Studying, canoodling, or perhaps sleeping in the padded, overheated “Pit” on the lower level;
- ❖ The quadrant layout of each floor with the grand open staircase;
- ❖ The general lack of outward facing windows;
- ❖ The stark modern interior with exposed concrete ceilings and walls;
- ❖ The sculpture display area near the main entrance wherein resided “Arkite.” The massive wood sculpture by faculty member Ed McCullough;
- ❖ The controversy over the University’s later decision (by a more or less mysterious “Aesthetics Committee” to replace “Arkite” with other artwork;

- ❖ The protest over the lack of an effective check-out system that took the form of a group of anonymous students overtly removing a great many books in broad daylight without checking them out and then returning them en masse to the landing of the grand staircase in the dark of night?

The Sheean Library is no longer with us. It was replaced by the Ames Library, stood vacant for a few years, and was ultimately razed in 2011 to make way for State Farm Hall. Standing for 43 years and being of real use for considerably less than that, Sheean, did not come close to matching the longevity of its predecessor, Buck Memorial Library, which still graces the campus and will soon be 100 years old.

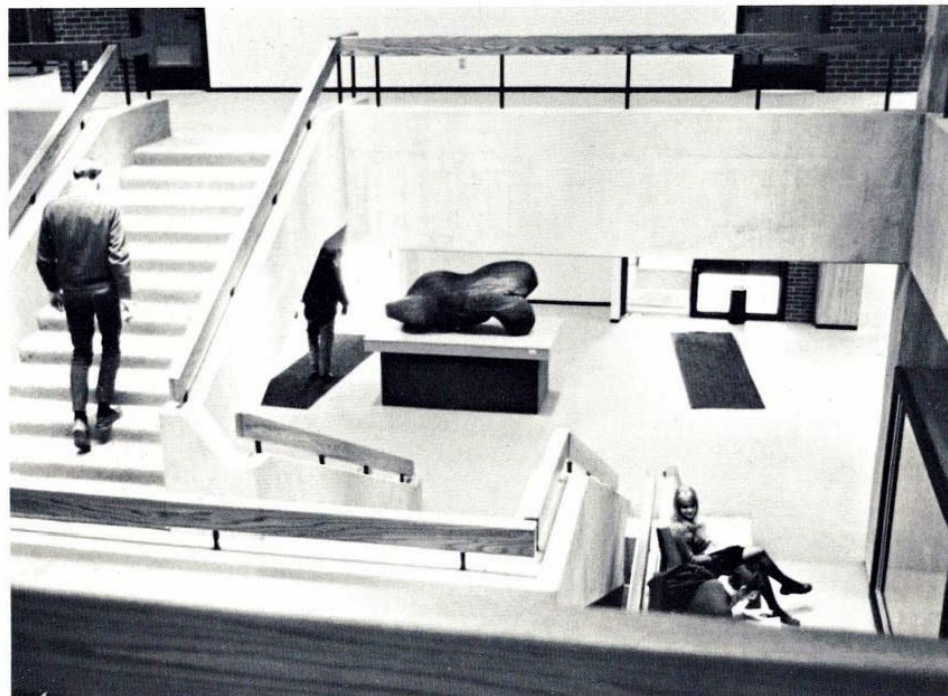
Serious efforts were made to find new uses for Sheean, but like many modernistic structures built in the 1960s, it was not designed to be particularly flexible or adaptable for new uses and it was horribly energy inefficient. In the final analysis, it was just not a good candidate for preservation or adaptive reuse, unlike Buck, Memorial Gymnasium or even Sherff Hall of Science (now known as the Center for Liberal Arts or "CLA"), which began its life as a "temporary" commercial office building.

For more information about the history of Sheean Library, see the article linked here → [IWU Magazine - Fall 2011 - Sheean Library](#) .

In a hurry? Too bad.
Catch it on your way around



"Arkite" Sculpture by Ed McCullough
IWU New Library



Up,
Down,
It
gets
to
you . . .

The large black and white images with text above are the cover and a page from a 1968 booklet published about the New Library.
Thanks to Judith D. Schulz for tracking these down and providing the smaller image of "Arkite".
The color image of the Library at dusk is from the referenced IWU Magazine article.

Memories of the Dug Out

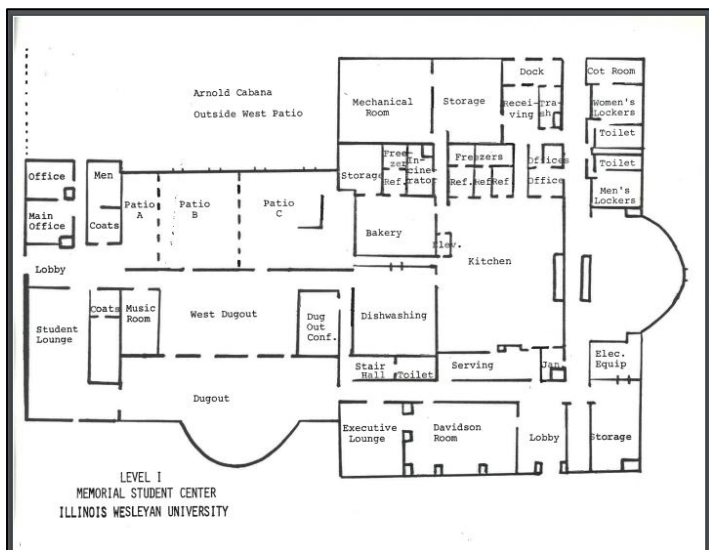
By Judith D. Schulz

I loved the Dug Out--(bet you did, too!)

During the first few days on campus in Sept 1967 I was approved for a campus job at the snack bar, which I soon learned was called *the Dug Out*. I worked there for most of my years at IWU and am very glad that I did.

I worked as many hours as were allowed, and often signed up for early Sunday morning hours at the grill and many Friday and Saturday nights until closing hours as most people did not want to work those hours. From taking the orders, to being the short order cook who fried the eggs, made the hamburgers and fries, and scraped the grill at closing; it was also gave me the opportunity to meet so many students at the same time.

At other times when I wasn't working there, it was a welcoming place to meet friends and make new friends. The Dug Out was the hub of campus, and something was always going on there.



Floor Plan of Level 1, Memorial Center

Dances were frequent, giving me mixed feelings of anticipation and hesitation, looking over the stair railing from the upstairs lounge, down at the crowd. The Dug Out held senior art shows, lively debates, speakers, combos, pottery sales, and just a chance to find someone to talk to.

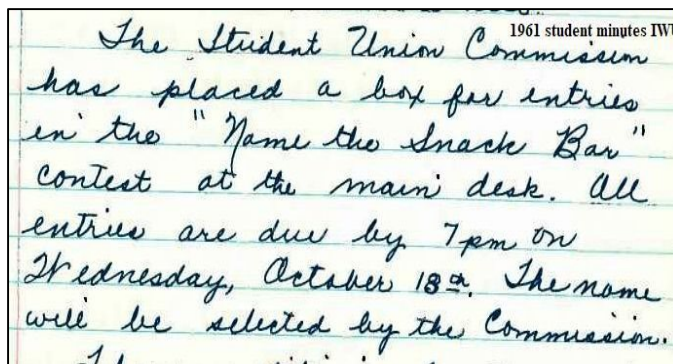
I remember walking down the west stairs and hearing Otis Redding singing *Sitting on the Dock of the Bay* on the juke box making me feel melancholy, but very much at home: in the Dug Out.

Living in Pfeiffer Hall meant that I had to cut through the Dug Out to get to the commons for every meal, so it was part of my daily routine, as well as going there for special events and work. When I became a member of Student Senate, I walked through the Dug Out to get to the Sunday night

meetings held in the Davidson Room. The Dug Out connected us all.

Since the 50th Reunion planning began I have wondered when and how the name "the Dug Out" came to be. As the "pit" area of seating and a place for speakers was lower, and "dug out" I thought that must be it. In an effort to answer my question I found many interesting stories.

"the Dug Out" History 1961 -- the new "snack bar" naming contest!



Above: handwritten minutes from the Student Union Commission who ran a contest to "Name the New Snack Bar."



After finding the above photo, I tracked down one of the people in the news story, Justin Kronewetter 1962 IWU graduate; and he told me by email a few facts. He was one of the 1961 winners of the contest! He recalls a \$100 prize that was divided among the 3 winners. The name was

selected by the Student Union Commission from student submitted entries. Justin said *“The name was obvious given the fact that the hillside adjacent to the Memorial Building had to be excavated (dug out) for the necessary construction. Simple as that. There was nothing more than a patio on the site prior to excavation and construction. The patio was an extension of the cafeteria which was located on the bottom floor of the Memorial Union.”* The news photo suggests a drawing for the name, but the Student Union Commission decided the name from the entries.

More on the Dug Out’s History

1961 Oct Argus – full page promotion with photos: “with Lounge, recreation center, HI-FI Room and Roof Garden are available for your enjoyment. Every Friday afternoon “Jazz Unlimited. East end of lounge area furnished with bridge tables for Wesleyan card players. Billiard table in the downstairs game room as well as ping pong tables, comfortable chairs of modern décor in lounge.”

1962 Jan --controversy: displaying Greek house paddles on the Dug Out panels, causing a roll call vote in Student Senate and the consideration of an all-school vote on the subject.

1962 April 13 – a letter to the editor: questioning banning cigarette ads in the Argus while having a cigarette machine still in the Dug Out

1962 Nov -- Dug Out improved innovations; candles on each table Fri & Sat night to create a different atmosphere, free popcorn evenings. Entertainment planned; guitar players, folk singers, pianists. The Argus noted that “if students persist in taking the new candles, they will have to be removed.”

1963 Wesleyana -- 5 photos of a combo (musical group) playing music, cardplayers, billiard player, conversations at Dug Out tables, and a great crowd photo of a packed Dug Out with the comment: *Look for me in the Dug Out* (sound familiar?!)

1964 Wesleyana -- mentions Dug Out as part of student social life from card games to Friday night combos

1967-1971 -- our years: musical groups, debates, speakers, dates, snacks & hamburgers, hanging out, occasional studying, Earth Day speakers, juke box music, discussions on the meaning of life and college, and work-study in the grill for some of us

1968 June 2 Pantagraph – reports on the student pageant honoring IWU President Bertholf’s retirement had 2 of 4 scenes in the Dug Out

1968 Nov 22 Argus -- there are 32 student workers in the Dug Out, issues of rising costs and IWU wanting to limit their work hours to 20 per week though some students wanted to work up to 30. Rising costs and Dug Out income was down \$1000 during Sept/Oct as compared to same time last year, but Dug Out is still breaking even.

1970 fall -- students were paid \$1.60/ hour

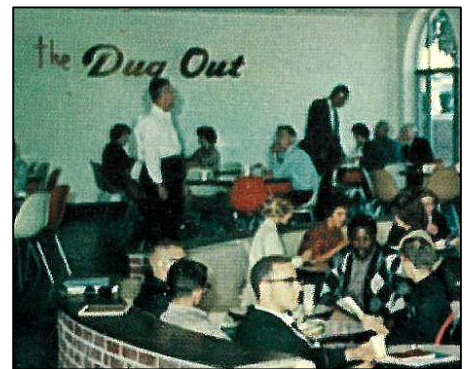
1971 May 3 Pantagraph -- Inter Hall Week Friday night horror movie night in Dug Out: *The Blob, Tomb of Legeia, and Hush, Hush, Sweet Charlotte*

1993-94 -- *Oh No!* Dug Out completely remodeled, pit filled in and floor leveled (photo 1994 Wesleyana p.19), the food service moved to the other side, a new floor plan,

2013 -- still more renovations to the Dug Out.

LOOK AGAIN at the sign on the walls of the Dug Out through the years!

When I started gathering the history of the Dug Out in early 2021, I noticed the “t” in “the” is different from the style for the rest of the name -- slightly separate, taller, and sometimes at an angle or a different font. *This “t” resembles a cross in the signage.*



This would make sense as IWU has a Methodist affiliation.

The name on the wall has moved and changed some through the years, but in all the pictures I found the “t” still looks like a cross each time. But the current (2022) sign no longer has the distinctly cross-like “t”.



This late 1960s version should look familiar to our group:

For this Dug Out story: thanks to Justin Kronewetter (class of 1962), Meg Miner, the IWU Tate Archives, and the many, many boxes of memorabilia that I saved from my IWU years ~

~ Judith D. Schulz, Class of 1971.

The Cryan Shames Headline the “Grind”

Friday night Sept 20, 1968. Our Sophomore year!



Do you remember who you danced with at the “Grind,” the first school dance of the year?

Shames entertain at annual ‘Grind’

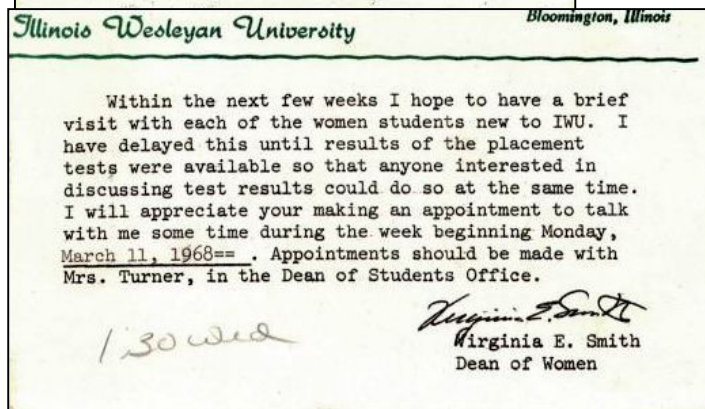
The Cryan Shames, popular music group, will appear at the traditional get-acquainted dance the “Grind” Friday, Sept. 20, in Fred Young Fieldhouse.

Sponsored by Convocations and Concerts Commission and Student Union Commission, the concert and dance will begin at 8:30 p.m. According to Beth Kranz, CCC chairman, “The concert is planned to get students in the spirit for the IWU-ISU football game the next night.”

Tickets will be \$1 for IWU students and \$1.50 for the public.



Nobody Expects the Dean-quisition



Does anyone remember their meeting with the Dean of Women or Dean of Men in 1968, our freshman year?

A post card was sent to each of us through Campus Mail. I wrote the time on the card, but I don’t remember this meeting at 1:30 on Wed.; maybe due to the topic?

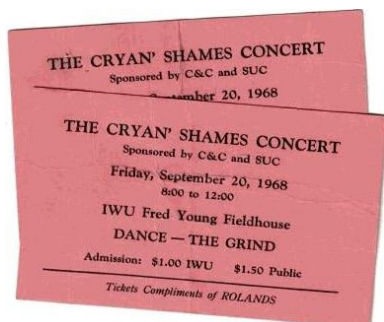
However, I do distinctly remember having been sent to the Dean of Women for a contrived (& irrational) infraction in the dorm to do with water after hours. Both bette ann hepner and I were sent for reprimands.

I have evidence that clears us, and I will have it with me at our 50.5 Reunion.

~ Judith D. Schulz

Click here for your trip back to that night in 1968:

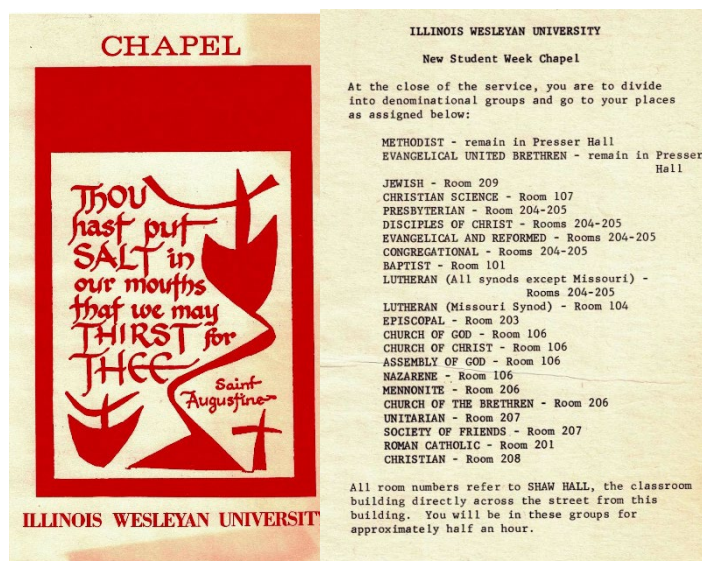
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WOj8c2Kd1hU>



Poster and tickets pictured above from Judith D. Schulz

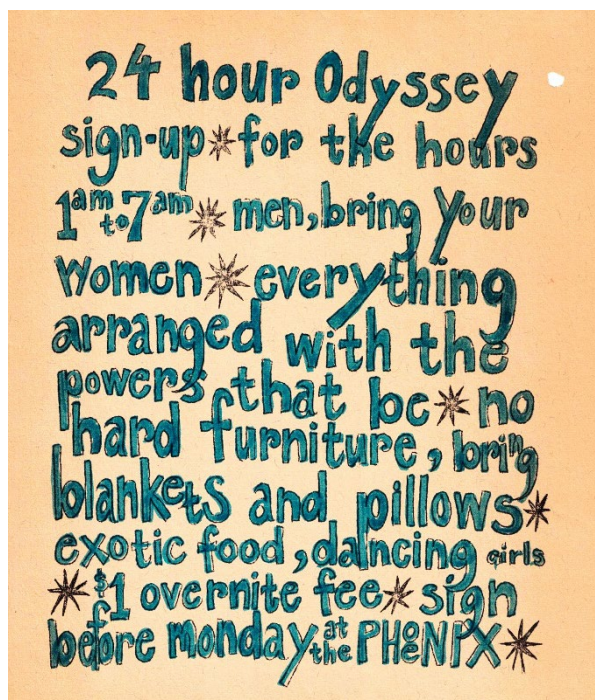
New Student Week Chapel

Were you in attendance at the first Chapel Service of our Freshman Year on September 10, 1967? Did you go to your assigned denominational meeting?



Phoenix Coffeehouse Odyssey Reading Marathon

Did you sign up (and get a pass to stay out after 'Hours' for this "Epic" event held on November 17-18, 1967?



On-Line Resources

For our 50th Reunion!

Campus Map [Illinois Wesleyan Campus Map \(iwu.edu\)](http://illinois.wesleyan.edu/campus-map)

IWU COVID Response [Coronavirus - Campus Response \(iwu.edu\)](http://iwu.edu/coronavirus-campusesponse)

Our Class Facebook Page (please join)
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/438362743826227>

Our Reunion Book (with Bios for nearly 80 of our Classmates) <https://www.iwu.edu/reunion/50th-reunion-book-2021.pdf>

Our Reunion Newsletters:

Vol. 1, Issue 1 March 2021

<https://www.iwu.edu/reunion/1971-newsletter-issue1.pdf>

Vol. 1, Issue 2 June 2021

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Vol. I, Issue 3, September 2021

<https://www.iwu.edu/reunion/1971-newsletter-issue3.pdf>

October 2021 Virtual Reunion on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1MNoR9aUgLE>

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MANY THANKS to Judith Schulz for her tremendous contributions to this issue.

We are currently planning a final Post-Reunion Issue of this *Nothing Like the Argus Newsletter*, but we need your help on that, starting with your attendance at the Reunion, to make it even more memorable and newsworthy for those classmates who cannot be there in person.

Please share your personal stories, memories, and photos with your Classmates. Send them to your humble editor, George Vinyard, at this address: Robogeov@gmail.com.
