Alumni news & updates



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WALDORF.EDU/PEARSON-GRAD-CERTS

Online Graduate Certificates through Pearson Accelerated Pathways

Waldorf University is excited to to offer world-class graduate certificates with Pearson Accelerated Pathways.

These graduate certificate programs are designed to help you develop the professional knowledge and academic credentials desired by top employers. You'll be able to set yourself apart in the workforce with certified knowledge of best practices in leadership, marketing, HR and finance methodology and tools—all while earning credits that count toward a master's degree.

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Learn More



Men's Golfer Keegan Bronson, Beats Cancer & Competes for Waldorf

Nineteen year old Waldorf University golfer, Keegan Bronson's life changed forever in February when doctors found a cancerous tumor in his leg. He had to choose either multiple surgeries and a difficult time with sports, or amputate his leg. His love for sports helped him decide to amputate his leg. Bronson says, "I said that I'm going to amputate it because then I can go back to my life as normal and do everything that I wanted to do."

He went through two months of chemo before his surgery and jumped into physical therapy. He went to the golf course and played on his first day with his prosthetic. Bronson shared, "{After} the first step I knew what I was doing and I {asked} is that what it's supposed to feel like. They said yes so two days later I was out of physical therapy."

His teammates and coaches admire his determination and perseverance. Head Golf Coach Mark Clouse says, "Keegan has not wavered on his desire to not only play golf, but to excel at the sport as a collegiate athlete. We are truly blessed and proud to have him on the Waldorf University Golf Team." Keegan is a second year education student from Hayfield, Minnesota.

News Video About Keegan



Gridshock Showing at Boman Fine Arts Center

Waldorf has organized the showing of an eye-opening movie about Iowa's participation in a worldwide epidemic – Human/Sex Trafficking. Iowa is currently ranked #3 in sextrafficking in the nation based on population. This is disturbing. We need to collectively

take action to eradicate this epidemic.

We encourage everyone to prioritize this FREE showing of the movie *Gridshock* to combat this epidemic by teaching the signs of potential trafficking. We should know how to protect everyone within our Waldorf community.

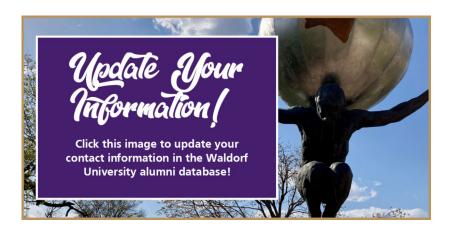
Movie Trailer



Bench Dedication Ceremony

On Saturday, October 21, Waldorf Athletics honored Dan "Dano" Williams (1957 - 2022), longtime booster club member and baseball coach, by dedicating a memorial bench at Bolstorff Field. So many fans, family members, and friends joined us and shared tributes.

Thank you to everyone who supported the bench project, to those who attended the ceremony, and to Schott Funeral Home for designing and delivering Dano's bench!



What's new with you? Have you moved? Did we lose you? Got a new job, expanded your family, received an award? You can always email us at Alumni@waldorf.edu. Navigate to the online form to update your info and share your alumni news!





Giving Tuesday, November 28, 2023

Giving Tuesday was started globally in 2012, and it's a movement about unleashing radical generosity. On November 28, we encourage all alumni and friends of Waldorf to give, collaborate and celebrate generosity.

On this day, we hope to elevate our students and the Waldorf Way as Warriors unite and thank each other for helping fellow Warriors succeed. #WaldorfGratitude

Your support means so much to us. Our top priorities are the Window of Opportunity Campaign for costs associated with the Foundation purchasing the University, Student Scholarships, Campus Ministry, and Alumni Relations. Your passions may be for an existing scholarship (include a note in the Memo field) or something else entirely. We're happy to help you align your giving with your passions – please reach out and talk with Severin Roberts, Executive Director of the Foundation/Vice President for Engagement and Advancement for the University!

All gifts are handled by the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation at 106 S 6th St, Forest City, IA 50436 by mail or made through our secure, online server.

We are grateful for you.



A Window of Opportunity!

The *Window of Opportunity Campaign* leverages gifts to help us with the costs the Foundation incurred purchasing the University. With a hefty \$2.5M goal, this covers necessary infrastructure, software, IT, and legal fees associated. We still have room for your gifts to be matched! A donor pledged \$500,000 for 1:1 matching gifts to make sure Waldorf has what she needs. Gifts are tax deductible because the University is, once again, operating as a 501(c)3 institution. You can make your gift online.

Donate Online



Get 'em while they are hot! We just got a shipment of Waldorf hockey jerseys! Wear your Waldorf gear, provoke conversations about Waldorf with friends and family, and connect with the high schoolers in your network. Share your Warrior Pride!

What's Your Waldorf Story?



First row, from left: Brandi Schutter, Kellie Kirsch, Megan Hansen, Katie Johnson, Rachel Mesner, Erin Neuberger and Crystal Anderson. Second row: Casey Richter. Lori lezek, Melissa Jacobs, Lindsay Pleuss, Laurie Owens and Lindsay Bissell.

The 2002-3 Women's Basketball certainly has stories to share about their 22-win season!!

Do you have a great "Waldorf Story"? We like to feature alumni stories in the newsletter, online, and in the Waldorf Magazine! Send us your short stories and long narratives with a picture to alumni@waldorf.edu, or use link below.

We look forward to reading your stories.

My Waldorf Story

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