

Western ... e-Round the World

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Come to Campus, See the World!

Western Around the World -- the 2007 all-Western, all-classes Reunion, June 15-17 -- extends a special welcome to returning international alumnae from countries far and wide, as well as to all anniversary classes (the "7s" and "2's"). We'll celebrate the theme with distinguished speakers, exotic menus and global conviviality. And, of course, an appropriate reunion/class gift: the newly created 2007 Reunion International Scholarship.

Friday: MU President David Hodge and his wife, Valerie, join us at dinner.

Saturday: The race for the Peabody Cup is on! Will the 25-year class once again beat out the 50-year class with best percentage attendance?

Sunday: Ameerah Haq '71, United Nations Deputy Special Representative for Afghanistan, headlines the Kumler Chapel program; Becky Howard '92 directs the lively alumnae choir (all singers -- shower or otherwise -- are urged to sign up and join in the fun!).

All weekend: Exhibits open on Freedom Summer '64 (Peabody 4th floor) and Western's Walk Through History (Alexander lower level).

To see who's coming, contribute to the scholarship or register online (by June 4!), go to the Reunion website.

Bragging Rights

That Westerners old and new "can do" is no surprise, but here is a particularly diverse group of extraordinary over-achievers.

Feast your senses on the works of Faith Heller Willinger '68, American expatriate turned Italian chef, and Colby Parsons '91, ceramics artist breaking molds, in *On the Record*.

Read about Shanta Anand Singh '56, Renaissance woman and leading lady in India's art world, and Joseph Kuhr '88, friend of superheroes, now Emmy nominee, in *Off the Wire*.

What's up in Oxford?

If it's spring, it must be time for a WCAA Board of Trustees meeting, highlighted by up close and personal encounters with a group of our scholarship recipients ..

... and, if possible, planned to coincide with WCP Senior Project presentations on campus. A little levity doesn't hurt as the Class of '07 prepares for graduation ceremonies, some linking them further to old Western traditions.

For the latest on the Western Program as reported by The Miami Student, click [here](#). Dean Bill Gracie will also give an update and answer questions at Reunion.

The Western College Memorial Archives winds up a busy year, having acquired a new look for the entry, a new website for the distinguished Edgar Stillman Kelley collection, and a generous grant to enable the digitization of the Western Round-Up.

Et Cetera

Speaking of "Around the World," here's what study abroad can lead to! Miami junior Rachel Rudwall received WCAA funding to study in Scotland last semester and was inspired to apply for an exciting internship. She has been named STA Travel's World Traveler Intern and will spend the summer exploring, working, touring and trekking in China, Europe, Australia and Thailand. To learn more and follow Rachel's adventures, click [here](#).



Upcoming Events

June 15-17: Western Around the World, ALL-WESTERN Reunion on campus

August 17-19: MU Theatre Department production of a new work by a Thai playwright, Ernst Nature Theatre

September 6: Ruth Rosenberg Marder Children's Theatre Outreach production, Ernst Nature Theatre

October 15: African Children's Choir, MU Performing Arts Series concert sponsored by WCAA at Hall Auditorium

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