

wvwc Aloha

HOMECOMING SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 25-28, 2025







THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30 PM | Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra Performance - \$20

Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts

Back by popular demand, experience the Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra as they play some classics—and some WVWC inspired tunes for our alumni and friends! The Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra is a prominent large jazz ensemble dedicated to representing Pittsburgh's rich jazz legacy. Committed to both performance and education, the orchestra features top regional musicians and has collaborated with renowned jazz masters, aiming to preserve and advance the art form.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

12:00 PM - 6:00 PM | Registration



Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library

Pick up schedules, location updates, nametags, campus maps, and all Homecoming information. An official nametag unlocks a special discount at the Bobcat Den. Additionally, check out the "Wesleyan Under Water" exhibit chronicling the flood of 1985 on campus and in the Buckhannon community.

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | Erickson Open House & Campus Tours

Erickson Alumni Center

Visit the alumni "home" for a break, questions, or general college information. Tours will occur on the hour (2:00 and 3:00).

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM | Class of 1975's 50th Reunion Reception Side meeting room of French A. See Dining Center



A special gathering for the class of 1975, featuring yearbooks, light snacks, and ample time for connection and shared stories. *This event is complimentary, but please indicate your attendance when registering for planning purposes.*

4:00 PM | Founders Day Convocation

Wesley Chapel

Our traditional convocation to induct new Board of Trustee members, recognize outstanding alumni with service and achievement awards and honor WVWC legends with the Extra Mile Award. Dr. James Moore, president of WVWC, will share latest news and updates about our home among the hills!

Join us for a tropical themed Homecoming, where we will manifest warm weather and clear skies!

5:00 PM | Aloha Welcome Reception

Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library



Kick off Homecoming with tropical inspired refreshments and fellowship.

6:00 PM | Donor Recognition Dinner

French A. See Dining Center

Members of the Wesleyan Society and Reger Society and those who have established endowed scholarships or other funds are invited to enjoy a meal with President Moore and featured students.

More information on the Wesleyan Society, Reger Society and endowed funds can be found on page 9 of this booklet.

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM | BSU Sponsored Pool Party

Pool in Benedum Campus Center, first floor

Don't forget to pack your swimsuits for our lively pool party to keep the tropical vibes going all weekend long! Open to all alumni and friends.



7:00 PM | BIG BINGO

Social Hall

Join us for an opportunity to win big at BIG BINGO!







7:00 PM |

Women's Volleyball vs. Salem University

Rockefeller Center

Cheer on the Lady Bobcats as they take on the Salem Tigers.



8:30 PM | Town Hall with President Moore:

A Hot Ones edition!

Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts

Watch as President James Moore is interviewed about college updates as he eats increasingly hotter chicken wings, much like the popular TV Show, Hot Ones: *The Game Show*.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27



9:00 AM | 4th Annual Mark Petrosky Memorial Hunger Walk for the Parish House

Keeping with Wesleyan's commitment to service, you're invited to participate in the 4th Annual Mark Petrosky Memorial Hunger Walk to support the Upshur Parish House's food pantry and holiday meal boxes for Upshur County families; please consider a \$5 donation or nonperishable food items. Registration for the event begins at 8:30 AM.



9:00 AM - 5:30 PM | Registration | Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library

Register for your official Homecoming nametag and receive a discount at the Bobcat Den college store.

9:30 AM | Tennis Seating Dedication in Remembrance of Coach Jim Smith '57



Tennis Courts, near Camden Avenue parking lot

Honor legendary tennis coach, Jim Smith '57, as we dedicate new seating and remember his impact on WVWC and beyond. We are grateful to the alumni donors who made this possible with generous gifts!

10:00 AM | Departmental Receptions

Visit professors, staff and classmates at department-specific receptions.

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Biology & Environmental Science (Reemsnyder Research Center, 2nd floor)

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Nursing (Middleton Hall)

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Master's in Counseling Program (Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library)

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Campus Life (Benedum Campus Center, 2nd floor)

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Chemistry & Biochemistry (Reemsnyder Research Center, 3rd floor)

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Physics and Engineering (Christopher Hall 115)

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: Athletic Training & Exercise Science

(Rockefeller Center, 2nd floor - Celebrating 40 years of Athletic Training!)

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Coffee with Coaches (Rockefeller Gymnasium Lobby)

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Student Art League T-Shirt Screen-printing



McCuskey Hall, Room 113

Bring your own white shirt; donations accepted

Screen print a student-created design onto your own shirt.

HERE WE CAN... Remember, Reminisce, and Reconnect

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Reception for Alumni Spotlight Exhibition

Sleeth Gallery in McCuskey Hall



See gorgeous art from award-winning watercolorist and alumna Carolyn Martin Light '79.



11:00 AM | Softball Orange & Black Scrimmage | Culpepper Field

Watch the Lady Bobcats scrimmage and showcase their talent.



11:30 AM | Information Session on WVWC's Certificate Program in Addiction Counseling

Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library, Room 209

Dr. Jen Randall Reses shares details about WVWC's new Addiction Counseling certificate program.

12:00 PM | Emeritus Club Luncheon - \$20 | French A. See Dining Center

Welcoming the class of 1975, the Emeritus Club also celebrates the reunion classes of 1970 and 1965. Features remarks from President Moore and shared stories from Wesleyan's past.

12:00 PM | Lunch at the SCOW - \$15

Social Hall in Benedum Campus Center (3rd Floor)

All alumni are invited to grab lunch at the Social Hall as they catch up and gear up for a great day of reconnecting and celebrating Homecoming!

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM | Little Cats Fun

Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library

Education department students lead fun children's activities for young Bobcats.



12:00 PM | Softball Alumni Game and Picnic



Culpepper Field

NO COST (feel free to bring a snack or drinks to contribute). Enjoy a cookout, then play or watch the 2025 Bobcat Alumni Softball game.

1:30 PM | Sorority Teas



Holloway Hall (Hosted by each sorority in their respective suite)

Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Xi Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, and Alpha Delta Pi alumnae are warmly invited to reconnect with their sisters at our special Alumni Tea during Homecoming.

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1:30 PM | Tropical Paint & Sip - \$35 Greek Alumni Room in the Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts

Rachel Hyre Stump '87 guides participants in creating a WVWC-inspired painting while sipping tropical drinks. *Limited to 20 participants; online registration required.*

2:00 - 5:00 PM | Pop-up Arts & Craft Fair | Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library Lawn Browse unique vendors and support small businesses at the special Pop-Up Show event, adding a vibrant orange and black retail experience to WVWC's annual Homecoming celebration. Do you have something Wesleyan-inspired to sell? Contact Kristi Wilkerson if you would like to participate by emailing Wilkerson@wvwc.edu.

2:00 PM | Dr. McNamara's Homecoming Lecture



Annie Merner Pfeiffer Library, Room 213

While Dr. Devon McNamara may have formally retired from teaching in May of 2025, we've asked her to prepare a 'last lecture' to offer to alumni and students that love her! She's preparing a lesson on a topic she holds dear—Ireland. If you are a fan of Irish studies, study abroad, literature, or just a member of the Dr. McNamara fan club, this lecture is for you!

2:30 PM | Fraternity Open Houses



Fraternity Houses

Visit your fraternity brothers and today's chapters by visiting and enjoying this open house!

3:00 PM | Dr. Joseph Wiest's Homecoming Lecture: A Brief History of my Wonderful Half Century at Wesleyan and John Wesley's Legacy



Christopher Hall of Science, Room 103

Another WVWC legend, Dr. Joseph Wiest, retired in the Summer of 2025 after over 50 years of service. Dr. Wiest will share one final lecture, reflecting on those 52 years and providing context to alumni about their alma mater's memorable and proud past. This is a must-attend for anyone that had Dr. Wiest in class or is interested in hearing more about our Home Among the Hills.

4:00 PM | Celebration of the Legendary WVWC Soccer Program Location TBD



Players, friends, and fans, join us for food, drinks and fellowship with teammates and coaches. Updates on facility upgrades, current team status, and ways to get involved will be shared. While this event is complimentary, we do ask that you register.

Our Home Among the Hills



4:00 PM - 5:30 PM | All Class Reunions

Haymond Hall of Science Lawn

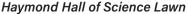
Members from the classes of 1980, 1985, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2020 and friends are invited to gather to catch up, take a class photo, and get the party started.

5:30 PM - 6:00 PM | Class of 2020 Photo Opportunity

Haymond Hall of Science Lawn

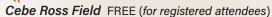
Due to the pandemic, the class of 2020 missed their chance to get a picture receiving their diploma, so we're recreating this experience for those that want a keepsake. President James Moore in full academic regalia will hand you a borrowed diploma cover (and we will provide you a borrowed cap and gown if you'd like to wear one), and our photographer will capture the moment. Photos will be available for download after the event.

5:30 PM - 7:00 PM | Aloha Block Party! - \$15



Enjoy a tropical feast that includes a pig roast, chicken, and other island-inspired foods as well as entertainment and plenty of fellowship before the football game!

7:00 PM | MVWC Football Under the Lights!





Cheer on the Bobcats as they host Frostburg State. Prior to the game, Athletic Trainers will be invited onto the field to celebrate 40 years of Athletic Training at WVWC. Halftime features royalty crowning and entertainment by the Bobcat marching band.













7:00 PM | Planetarium Show

Christopher Hall of Science Planetarium, 2nd floor

FREE, but limited to 40 participants

Dr. Tracey DeLaney guides a show through the galaxy, followed by an opportunity to use the campus telescope to view the night sky (weather permitting).

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10:00 AM | Gospel Service

Wesley Chapel FREE



Features groups and individuals singing to lift God's word. To participate, please reach out to Dean of the Chapel Reverend Jonathon Acord at acord.j@wvwc.edu or 304-473-8372.

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Aloha Brunch - \$10

French A. See Dining Center

Relive the dining hall days and enjoy WVWC's traditional Sunday brunch with students before departing.



1:00 PM | 📤 Women's Soccer vs. University of Charleston



Culpepper Stadium

Cheer on the women's soccer team... Let's Go Lady Bobcats!



3:30 PM | 📤 Men's Soccer vs. University of Charleston



Culpepper Stadium

Cheer on the men's soccer team as they face-off against University of Charleston.

What's dress code for these events?

We Encourage Island Attire!

Pull out those flowery shirts and summertime dresses—but leave room in the suitcase for Bobcat Den merchandise. Themed attire available, while supplies last, and receive a special discount if wearing the official Homecoming nametag!

Official hours will be posted on our Homecoming website: wvwc.edu/homecoming

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Making an Impact at Wesleyan



The Wesleyan Society: How do I join?

The Wesleyan Society is a dedicated community of individuals and organizations united by a shared vision for West Virginia Wesleyan College. Members champion the College's mission through annual gifts of \$1,000 or more, demonstrating their steadfast belief in the college's transformative power. Their ongoing support helps shape the lives of all who become part of the Wesleyan family.

Donors can make a single gift, or give smaller recurring amounts - like \$250 quarterly or \$83.34 a month!

For more information, reach out to Lauren Queen at wesleyansociety@wvwc.edu or 304-473-8485.



The Reger Society: How do I join?

By choosing to include West Virginia Wesleyan College in your legacy plans, you become a member of our esteemed John W. Reger Society, a group of forward-thinking supporters who have made a lasting commitment to our Home Among the Hills. As a member, you'll receive special recognition in our annual impact report, invitations to exclusive events, and the opportunity to observe the many possibilities personal estate planning can have on West Virginia Wesleyan.

For more information contact Nettie Smith Aiosa '91 at regersociety@wvwc.edu or 304-473-8486.



Endowed Scholarships and other Funds: How do I start one?

Endowed funds create a perpetual source of income for student scholarships, academic departments, faculty positions, athletic teams, buildings, and nearly any other area you can think of. Gifts are invested in the College's endowment with earnings directly supporting the fund's designated purpose - that the support lasts in perpetuity. Individuals, families, groups of alumni, and others can create endowed funds for a minimum of \$20,000 or more, which can be donated over a few years' time.

For more info, contact **Josh Stump** at *makeagift@wvwc.edu* or 304-473-8600.

ALUMNI ARTISTS SHOW – CALLING FOR ART!

West Virginia Wesleyan College is seeking artwork from current students, alumni and the local community inspired by West Virginia Wesleyan College. Selected works will be exhibited in the Colonial Arts Center located at 48 E Main Street in downtown Buckhannon, where viewers will have an opportunity to vote on their favorite pieces. Selected works will be prominently displayed in the Lynch-Raine Administration Building at WVWC. The winning artwork will receive a purchase award and will be showcased in the WVWC President's Office.

- Artists working in any media are encouraged to apply.
- All artwork should be framed and ready to hang.
- In addition to submitting your artwork, please submit a short paragraph describing the inspiration for your artwork and/or what Wesleyan means to you.
- Art will be on display during the weekend at the Colonial Arts Center with Friday's hours from 4:00-8:00 PM and Saturday from 5:00-7:00 PM.
- All are invited to a reception from 5:00-7:00 PM on Friday night.



Artwork can be dropped off or shipped to the following address:

WEST VIRGINIA WESLEYAN COLLEGE

Attn: Robert Howsare, Art Professor Box #68 59 College Ave Buckhannon, WV 26201

If dropping off artwork or if you have other questions, please reach out to **Robert Howsare**howsare_r@wvwc.edu

WVWC Art Department will pay for return shipping.

Donations to the Friends of Art are gladly accepted.

Registration Deadline for Homecoming 2025

Register online by September 19th—it's easy! Visit *www.edu/homecoming* or scan the QR code below.

ONLINE



SCAN

to register or visit wwwc.edu/homecoming

TO MAIL

WVWC

ATTN: Erickson Alumni Center 59 College Avenue Buckhannon, WV 26201

Questions? Call 304-473-8509 or email alumni@wvwc.edu

Name First	Middle			Maiden Last
Preferred Name for Name Badge				Graduation Class Year
Street Address				
City	State			Zip
Preferred Phone	Email			
Spouse/Guest				Graduation Class Year (If Applicable)
Children, if attending				
EVENT	COST	# ATTN.	TOTAL	PAYMENT OPTIONS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25				REGISTER & PAY ONLINE
Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra	\$20			wvwc.edu/homecoming
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26				Enclosed is my check
Class of 1975's 50th Reception	_			made payable to: West Virginia Wesleyan College
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27				West virginia Wesleyan College
Emeritus Club Luncheon	\$20			Please charge my credit card:
Emeritus Club Luncheon (child)*	\$15			○ Visa
Lunch at the SCOW	\$15			
Lunch at the SCOW (child)*	\$10			
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Aloha Block Party	\$15			020011111 0002
Aloha Block Party (child)*	\$10			MY GIFT TO WVWC
WVWC Football vs. Frostburg State	_			Current Scholarships or
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28				O Designated to:
Aloha Brunch	\$10			
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Aloha Brunch (child)*	\$5			GRAND TOTAL

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