DiGiorgios announce endowed scholarship

As part of the events leading up to the formal dedication of the DiGiorgio Campus Center on Sept. 24, President Anthony DiGiorgio and First Lady Gale DiGiorgio announced a personal estate gift to Winthrop that will memorialize members of two other generations of their immediate family in new ways:

• The Mary Grace and Antonino DiGiorgio Endowed Scholarship will honor the president’s late parents, who had encouraged their son to pursue education as a path to success in their adopted American homeland. The new scholarship will be unrestricted in its use.

  The $200,000 estate gift from President and Mrs. DiGiorgio also will support the already-established Margaret and Ernest Nesius Endowed Scholarship, which honors Gale DiGiorgio’s late parents.

• Concurrent with the dedication of the DiGiorgio Campus Center, the theatre in the facility will be named “Dina’s Place” in honor of the DiGiorgios’ late daughter, who passed away in May 2007 at age 42 following a brief illness.

  “As honored and humbled as we are by the naming of the Campus Center in our honor, the occasion would be missing something if the immediate family members no longer with us were not recognized in some meaningful way,” President DiGiorgio said. “This is our way of expressing our love for them in ways we know each would appreciate.”

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Family Olympics become part of Family Weekend

Family Weekend 2010 will spark the spirit of friendly competition among families visiting Winthrop’s campus Oct. 1-2.

More than 200 families are expected to visit their students during this fourth annual event. Director Kema Gadson, program director for new student and parent programs, said organizers have added the Family Olympics contest, along with family karaoke, a disc golf tournament and a music trivia contest.

“We’re offering some new events this year that we hope parents will find fun and informative,” Gadson said. Families accumulate points by attending events to compete in the Olympics. The winner will be announced at the last event Saturday night, the Timmons Brothers’ Rock ‘n’ Roll Music Trivia Show, and given free hotel accommodations.

On Friday, families can see performances of the play “The Yellow Boat” in Johnson Hall, visit an art exhibition by the late Winthrop professor and civic artist Ed Lewandowski or sing karaoke in the DiGiorgio Campus Center.

On Saturday, there is a presentation by President Anthony DiGiorgio in the new campus center bearing his name; faculty sessions on technology, communications, financial aid, critical thinking and the theatre; a barbecue picnic on the Byrnes Auditorium lawn; a soccer game; a disc golf tournament at the Winthrop lake; an Olympics finale and games at the West Center; and the trivia show.

The cost is $25 for the first two participants and a reduced cost for Family Weekend continued on p. 2
Winthrop to host two disc golf events in October

In early October, Winthrop’s Gold Course will be home to two major disc golf events: the Presidents Cup on Oct. 5 and the 2010 U.S. Disc Golf Championship from Oct. 6–9.

The Presidents Cup marks the first time the event has been played in the U.S. America has won all three of the past cups. This year’s American team includes returning members David Feldberg, Ken Climo, Nate Doss and Valerie Jenkins as well as new faces Nikko Locastro, Josh Anthon and Des Reading. The Americans will face off against Denmark’s Karl-Johan Nybo, Germany’s Simon Lizotte and Sweden’s Oscar Stenfeld and Emil Dahlgren, among others. Admission to the cup is free.

The USDGC begins a four-day schedule of competition on Oct. 6. This will be the 12th consecutive year this prestigious event has been held at Winthrop. Last year’s U.S. champion Locastro returns to defend his title against 2009 Disc Golf World Champion Avery Jenkins and former U.S./world champions Climo, Doss and Barry Schultz. These disc golfers will face competition from players from Japan, Norway, Finland, Sweden and the U.S.

QEP to focus on freshman-sophomore experience

Winthrop’s Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) focus on global learning will center on the freshmen and sophomore experience in the Touchstone Program.

The goal of the plan is to “intentionally integrate global learning into the freshmen-sophomore experience to prepare global citizens,” according to QEP Chair Marilyn Sarow.

The QEP, a requirement of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools’ (SACS) reaffirmation of accreditation process, requires the university to develop a five-year plan focusing on student learning.

The 12-member QEP Proposal Planning Committee presented a draft plan to Winthrop’s academic leadership at a retreat in August.

This year’s USDGC also marks a change for the event. In recognition of the growth of disc golf globally, the USDGC will move to a biennial schedule effective immediately. USDGC will alternate years with Europe’s major event, the European Open. The USDGC – a capstone event for the Professional Disc Golf Association – will be held on even-numbered years; the European Open, odd-numbered years. This will enable better global promotion of professional disc golf and provide the chance to serve another important segment of the disc golf population.

Two-time former world disc golf champion and Rock Hill resident Harold Duvall developed Winthrop’s course in 1991. The Gold Course has been the site of the U.S. championship since its inception in 1999.

For the 2010 USDGC, VIP tickets – which allow admission on all days of competition – are $25, and single-day tickets are $10. Children ages 12 and younger are admitted free. Tickets may be picked up at the course.

Visit http://www.usdgc.com to get more information about the championship and to purchase tickets for the event.

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additional family members. Family Weekend T-shirts also are for sale for $10.

For more information, visit http://www.winthrop.edu/familyweekend or call ext. 2270.

Fitness/finance event is Oct. 6

On Oct. 6, Assistant Professor of Finance James Schultz will host “Fitness and Your Finances” at 7:30 p.m. in Whitton Auditorium (Carroll Hall). Schultz, an amateur bodybuilder and finance professor, will discuss the keys to success in both life areas.

This event is free and open to the public. Student cultural event credit for this event is pending. Contact Schultz at ext. 2162 or schultzj@winthrop.edu for more information.
Fall performance season opens with uplifting drama

Winthrop’s Department of Theatre and Dance will begin the fall 2010 season with a reminder that life, no matter how difficult or tragic, can be a celebration of imagination.

David Saar’s “The Yellow Boat” will run Sept. 29-Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. nightly and Oct. 3 at 2 p.m. in Johnson Studio Theatre. Saar’s creative play is based on the true story of his son, Benjamin, and Benjamin’s lifelong struggle with hemophilia and AIDS. The highly abstract work, which is filled with dance and color, shows the very real pain, sorrow and triumph of a life well lived during a terminal illness.

These difficult topics are what drew student director Erin Lee, a senior theatre major from Lexington, S.C., to direct the emotionally rich and uplifting play.

“There is something about this piece – the beauty and honesty of it – that spoke to my heart,” said Lee, adding that she hopes audience members leave more aware of the beauty that exists in life and the importance of living well.

“The Yellow Boat” is the first full-length play Lee has directed. She also directed Harold Pinter’s “Family Voices” for the Spring One-Act Festival last April.

The abstract nature of Saar’s work presented a direction challenge for Lee, who wanted to find “the still moments.”

The play’s life-affirming messages make it a joyful and inspirational work despite its very serious undertones, noted Lee.

“It’s a play about life, about finding the moments that make life hopeful and beautiful and finding the color and joy in little everyday moments. Because at the end of life, no matter how long that is, that is what we look back on,” said Lee.

“These joys are what make life worth living.”

Theatre and Dance’s production of “The Yellow Boat” is part of Family Weekend 2010 at Winthrop. Performance seating is limited, and no late seating will be permitted after performances begin.

Tickets for the Sept. 29 performance are $5 with Winthrop I.D. and $10 for the general public; all tickets for the Sept. 30 show are $5; and tickets for remaining shows are $8 with I.D. and $15/general public.

To purchase tickets, contact the Box Office at ext. 4014 or boxoffice@winthrop.edu.

Sociology, Anthropology announces lecture series

The Department of Sociology and Anthropology has released its schedule of speakers for the first Brown Bag Lecture Series.

Winthrop faculty and visiting scholars will present these informal, interdisciplinary sessions as a way to facilitate communication among all subdisciplines of anthropology. Presentations focus on current or recent research and/or field work, and they last one hour.

The lectures, held in Kinard Auditorium at 2 p.m., are approved cultural events for students.

Scheduled lecturers are:

- Oct. 1 – Dennis Ogburn, assistant professor of anthropology, University of North Carolina-Charlotte
- Oct. 8 – Richard Chacon, associate professor of anthropology at Winthrop
- Oct. 29 – Michael Scoggins, Culture and Heritage Museums historian
- Nov. 5 – Sarah Quick, lecturer, Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Winthrop
- Nov. 19 – Christina Brooks, lecturer, Department of Sociology and Anthropology at Winthrop

For information, contact Brooks at ext. 4655 or brooks@winthrop.edu.

Flu clinics set for Sept. 29-30

Winthrop University Health and Counseling Services will offer the Seasonal flu vaccine to all 18-or-older students, faculty, staff and Winthrop retirees during two clinics on Sept. 29 and 30 from 10 a.m.-noon in the West Center commuter lounge.

The fee is $25 and may be paid with check or cash only. Checks should be made out to “Winthrop University.” Anyone getting the vaccine should wear clothing that allows access to the upper arm area. Also in preparation for the vaccine, visit http://www.winthrop.edu/flu to read the Vaccine Information Sheets.

Call Health and Counseling Services at ext. 2206 for information.
Timmons Brothers bring rock trivia back to campus

Name the last album The Beatles recorded.

Nothing comes to mind? After an evening of rock ‘n’ roll trivia with Assistant Director of Residence Life John Timmons and his brother, David – the self-proclaimed dynamic duo of rock – that answer will be a snap. John and David will host the popular Timmons Brothers’ Rock ‘n’ Roll Music Trivia Show on Oct. 2 at 8 p.m. at Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center. The free show is a fun, lively mix of song clips through the decades, questions from categories such as Famous Duos and #1 Songs and skit stumpers like Name the Front Man.

The Timmons brothers have been rock ‘n’ roll buffs since their childhood years, when they frequented a local record shop in Ohio and bought used singles (then called 45s) from jukebox machines for 20 cents each. The pair spent hours studying the store’s vast inventory of singles, listening to rock ‘n’ roll on the radio and reading music-focused publications like Hit Parade and Rolling Stone. Their shared interest even led the brothers to form a band called Razor’s Edge, although eventually John and David decided the “rock historian” title suited them better.

John finds “the shared common experience of rock ‘n’ roll music” fascinating.

“You play a song like Peter Frampton’s ‘Show Me the Way’ from 1976 and you feel a connection immediately with some members of the audience,” said John, who also teaches a Winthrop honors course called “The Beatles: A Music and Popular Cultural Revolution.”

The brothers have been doing rock ‘n’ roll lectures for five years, and they have done presentations on “Beatlemania: The Rise of the Beatles,” “Protest and Psychedelic: Music Takes a Serious Turn (1967-72),” “The British Invasion” and many more. They serve as the designated rock historians for internet radio show John Talk Radio (listen to the show online at http://www.blogtalkradio.com/john-darlington). The brothers introduced the trivia show as a “forum for people to hear clips from familiar songs and relive classic memories,” said John.

“As longtime rock ‘n’ roll music host Dick Clark would say, music takes you back to where you were, who you were with and what you were doing like no other media in a few seconds,” explained John. David, who’s working on a book about glam rock in the 1970s, noted that he and John enjoy watching as the “audience learns new fascinating pieces of information.”

Hosting the show during Winthrop’s Family Weekend 2010 will “enhance the spirit of sharing memories even more,” added David.

For more information about the show, contact John Timmons at ext. 3512 or timmonsj@winthrop.edu.

Alumni eligible for limited West Center memberships

Limited alumni memberships are now available for the Lois Rhame West Health, Physical Education and Wellness Center.

Alumni interested in applying to join the center should complete an alumni membership form and a waiver. After membership is approved, alumni must have a Winthrop I.D. made in order to access the building. Memberships will last for six or 12 months, beginning on the first of the month, and memberships must be paid in full.

After the first 200 spaces are filled, the Office of Alumni Relations will maintain a wait list for additional memberships to the center.

Becoming a member of the West Center offers alumni use of the facilities, including the climbing wall, swimming pool, weight room and cardio stations, as well as participation in all group fitness classes offered through Recreational Services.

In addition, personal exercise programs can be set up by professional staff.

Contact Debbie Garrick, executive director of Alumni Relations, at ext. 2145 or garrickd@winthrop.edu to find out more information and to get membership forms.

F.Y.I. submission reminder

Monica Bennett, director of communications and F.Y.I. editor, will be on maternity leave through Nov. 1.

Until her return, please send any F.Y.I. story ideas, papers and presentations and/or professional activities submissions to Meredith Carter, news services coordinator, at ext. 2236 or carterm@winthrop.edu.

Milestone

Congratulations to Katie Langer, university development, and husband Jim on the Sept. 7 birth of twins Eliza Harris and Nolan James.
Welcome to Winthrop

Eliana Arenas, fine arts, has been hired as adjunct professor of jewelry and metals. She worked previously as a lecturer at Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez in Mexico and as a lecturer at the University of Texas–El Paso. The native of Mexico lives in Charlotte, N.C. She enjoys creating large-scale fine art jewelry, reading and attending gallery openings.

Rob Dellibovi, admissions, was hired recently as an admissions counselor. Before coming to Winthrop, he worked as an admissions counselor at Mount Ida College in Newton, Mass. Dellibovi, born in Springfield, Mass., lives in Rock Hill. His hobbies include movies, music and travel.

Ruth Gaylor, student academic services, has been hired as academic advisement coordinator. Before coming to Winthrop, she worked as regional campus director at Montreat College. Now a resident of Indian Trail, N.C., Gaylor was born in Chicago, Ill. She enjoys reading, watching movies and spending time with her pets.

Elizabeth Hallinan, modern languages, was hired recently as a French instructor and director of the Language Lab. She worked previously as a French teacher at Viewpoint School. Born in Manhaset, N.Y., she now lives in Rock Hill. Her hobbies include cooking, singing and traveling.

Brooke Hofsess, fine arts, has been hired as adjunct professor of art education. Hofsess, born in Largo, Md., is the cofounder/director of the Women Centered Art Co-Op in Charlotte and a former artist/art educator at Myers Park Traditional School. The Charlotte resident enjoys doing yoga, cooking, journaling, photography and working in the paper/book arts.

Winthrop M.F.A candidate Jon Prichard and his Performance Makers will perform “Micro Cosmo – An Exhibition of Sculpture, Movement, and Sound Performed within the Historic Arcade Mall” Oct. 14 at 8 p.m. in Arcade Mall in Columbia, S.C. Current Winthrop students and alumni will be featured within this component of Prichard’s M.F.A. thesis performance/exhibition, which is sponsored by Winthrop’s Department of Fine Arts.

In addition, drawings by Prichard, which are part of his M.F.A. thesis exhibition, will be featured in Gallery 80808 (808 Lady St. in Columbia) from Oct. 7-19. Prichard’s thesis performance/exhibition and gallery exhibit are part of the Winthrop Department of Fine Arts’ participation in the South Carolina Art Education Association (SCAEA) Conference Oct. 14-16, held at Marriott Columbia.

From Oct. 7-19, the Department of Fine Arts will have its own exhibition, “Creative Collaboration Community: Selected Works by Winthrop Fine Arts Students,” on display at Gallery 80808. M.F.A. candidate Sandy Singletary and B.F.A. candidate Niki Patrick will curate the exhibition. This show is part of the SCAEA conference as well.

During the conference, the department’s vendor’s table will remain up all day, every day. There will be individuals from the department there each day to answer questions and provide additional information.

Faculty with materials or information/events – related to College of Visual and Performing Arts events or Department of Fine Arts programs – for display should deliver materials to Tom Stanley, department chair, at ext. 2653 or stanleyf@winthrop.edu no later than Oct. 11.

For more information about the SCAEA conference, visit http://www.scaea.org.
### Events calendar

*All events are free unless otherwise noted.*

**Sept. 24**
- **Women's Volleyball vs. High Point**
  - 7 p.m., Winthrop Coliseum

**DSU: Indie rock band Brenn**
- 8 p.m., The Edge – DiGiorgio Campus Center
- Tickets: $5 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $10/public; free/Fall Pass

**Through Oct. 4**
- **Dacus Library 125th exhibit:**
  - “Foundations for the Future: Campus Buildings 1895 to 1980s”
  - Open during regular library hours

**Sept. 25**
- **Movie: “How to Train Your Dragon”**
  - 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center
  - Tickets: $2 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $5/public

**Men’s Soccer vs. Liberty**
- 7 p.m., Eagle Field

**Sept. 27**
- **DSU: Attorney C.L. Lindsay, “Alcohol, Parties and the Law”**
  - 8 p.m., Banquet Hall – DiGiorgio Campus Center

**Sept. 28**
- **Concert: Jack Murray, woodwinds**
  - 7:30 p.m., Barnes Recital Hall

**Sept. 29**
- **Movie: “The Runaways”**
  - 8 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center
  - Tickets: $2 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $5/public

- **Play: “The Yellow Boat”**
  - 8 p.m., Johnson Studio Theatre
  - Special: All tickets $5

**Oct. 1**
- **Department of Sociology and Anthropology Brown Bag Lecture Series – Dennis Ogburn, University of North Carolina-Charlotte**
  - 2 p.m., Kinard Auditorium

**Family Weekend: Welcome Reception in Winthrop University Galleries**
- 6:30-7:45 p.m., Lewandowski, Rutledge and McLaurin Galleries

**Oct. 2**
- **Family Weekend Afternoon Picnic**
  - 12:30 p.m., Byrnes Auditorium lawn
  - Rain location is McBryde Hall (F/S receive one free lunch ticket)

- **Women’s Soccer vs. Gardner-Webb**
  - 7 p.m., Eagle Field

**Oct. 3**
- **Play: “The Yellow Boat”**
  - 8 p.m., Johnson Studio Theatre
  - Tickets: $8 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $15/public

**Oct. 4**
- **DSU: Zohra Sarwari, “No, I Am Not a Terrorist”**
  - 8 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center
  - Tickets: $5 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $10/public; free/Fall Pass

**Oct. 5**
- **Presentation: “Invisible Faces, Obvious Places: A Presentation Covering the Realm of the Fastest Growing Crime in the U.S. – Human Trafficking”**
  - 11 a.m., Plowden Auditorium, Withers/W.T.S.

**Red Cross Blood Drive**
- 11 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Banquet Hall – DiGiorgio Campus Center

**Women’s Volleyball vs. Coastal Carolina**
- 6 p.m., Winthrop Coliseum

**Oct. 6**
- **Red Cross Blood Drive**
  - 11 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Banquet Hall – DiGiorgio Campus Center

**Men’s Soccer vs. High Point**
- 7 p.m., Eagle Field

**Presentation: “Fitness and Your Finances” (Jim Schultz, finance)**
- 7:30 p.m., Whitton Auditorium, Carroll Hall

**Movie: “Paris, J’Taime”**
- 8 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center
- Tickets: $2 w/ I.D.; $5/public

**Oct. 7**
- **West Forum: Frank Holleman, Democratic Party Nominee for State Superintendent of Education**
  - 7 p.m., Plowden Auditorium, Withers/W.T.S.

**Oct. 8**
- **DSU: Timmons Brothers’ Rock ‘n’ Roll Music Trivia Show**
  - 8 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center

- **Play: “The Yellow Boat”**
  - 8 p.m., Johnson Studio Theatre
  - Tickets: $8 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $15/public

**Oct. 9**
- **Presentation: “Invisible Faces, Obvious Places: A Presentation Covering the Realm of the Fastest Growing Crime in the U.S. – Human Trafficking”**
  - 11 a.m., Plowden Auditorium, Withers/W.T.S.

**Women’s Volleyball vs. Coastal Carolina**
- 6 p.m., Winthrop Coliseum

**Oct. 10**
- **Women’s Soccer vs. Coastal Carolina**
  - 7 p.m., Eagle Field

**Oct. 11**
- **Play: “The Yellow Boat”**
  - 8 p.m., Johnson Studio Theatre
  - Tickets: $8 w/ Winthrop I.D.; $15/public

**Oct. 12**
- **Presentation: “Fitness and Your Finances” (Jim Schultz, finance)**
  - 7:30 p.m., Whitton Auditorium, Carroll Hall

**Movie: “Paris, J’Taime”**
- 8 p.m., Dina’s Place – DiGiorgio Campus Center
- Tickets: $2 w/ I.D.; $5/public

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**Winthrop in the News update**

F.Y.I.’s Winthrop in the News section has moved to [http://www.winthrop.edu/news-events/secondary.aspx?id=12510](http://www.winthrop.edu/news-events/secondary.aspx?id=12510). The site will provide links to the media outlets where faculty/staff are quoted.

If you are interviewed, contact Judy Longshaw, news and media services manager, at longshawj@winthrop.edu.
Papers and presentations

Timothy Boylan, political science, presented a paper entitled “Three Images of Democracy in the United States” at a meeting of the Democracy Seminar at Leuphana University in Luneburg, Germany, in June. He also participated in a roundtable on polity and governance in Latin America.

Melissa Carsten, management, and former student Aja Hendrix ’10 had a paper, “Ethical Followership: An Examination of Implicit Followership Theories (IFT) and Crimes of Obedience,” accepted to the Annual Conference of the Southern Management Association. The pair will present the paper at the October conference in St. Pete Beach, Fla.

Department of Fine Arts faculty members Laura Gardner, Seymour Simmons, Tom Stanley and Professor Emeritus Alf Ward will make presentations at the South Carolina Art Education Association (SCAEA) Conference Oct. 14-16 in Columbia, S.C. ARTE students will be working with Gardner and Sim- mons on a collaborative presentation.

Professional activities

Winthrop head women’s basketball coach Bud Childers will be inducted into the Cumberland University Sports Hall of Fame in October, as he is one of six chosen for the 2010 Hall of Fame Class. At Winthrop, Childers has a 71-113 record in six seasons. In 2007-08, he guided the Lady Eagles to their best season in school history with a 20-12 mark. The 20 wins are the most in school history. The program made its first post-season appearance with a trip to Georgetown in the WNIT.

Mike Lavine, fine arts, will serve as artist in residence at the 701 Center for Contemporary Art in Columbia through Oct. 28. An exhibition of his work will open Oct. 28 at the center. Lavine, associate professor of fine arts, teaches 3D design and periodic special topics classes at Winthrop.

In brief

• The Winthrop University 2009-10 Annual Report is now online and available for viewing. To check out the latest Annual Report, visit http://www.winthrop.edu/annualreport.

• In conjunction with National Preparedness month and Winthrop’s Safety Week, the university conducted a successful test of the entire alert notification system on Sept. 16.

• Register now for an art workshop, hosted by Winthrop University Galleries, Oct. 22-24 on campus. As part of the “Edmund Lewandowski – Precisionism and Beyond” retrospective, Tony Rajer, art conservator and instructor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, will conduct a three-day workshop titled “The Business of Art Workshop.” Cost is $125 for three days or $50 with student I.D.

Participation is limited; early registration is encouraged. Contact Karen Derksen at ext. 2493 or derksen@winthrop.edu to register. That week, Rajer also will give a free public talk on Lewandowski’s art on Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. in Rutledge Building 119.