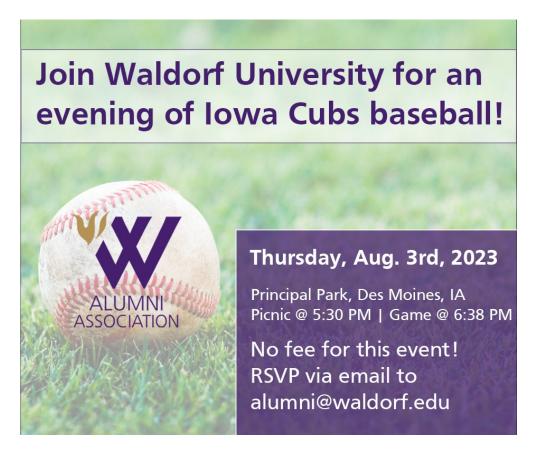
Alumni news & updates



June 2023



You are invited!

Join Waldorf Thursday, August 3, 2023 for a family friendly evening with the lowa Cubs vs. Toledo at Principal Park in Des Moines!

At no cost to you and your family, the evening will include:

- · A private Waldorf University picnic complete with all-you-can-eat hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, potato salad, water and soft drinks
- One ticket/guest to the game (vs. Toledo)
- Your pick of an Iowa Cubs baseball cap, mini-bat, baseball or t-shirt

The picnic will begin at 5:30 PM on the Right Field Party Deck Picnic Area at Principal Park. The game will start at 6:38 PM. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with friends and fellow Waldorf University alumni!

Space is limited, so register soon by emailing <u>alumni@waldorf.edu</u> or by calling (641) 585-8148 today!

We recommend reserving your spot by Friday, July 28, 2023 to secure your spot and to help us plan accordingly.



Homecoming 2023 - Oct. 5-8

HOMECOMING 2023 - SAVE THE DATE! We are excited to welcome back our alumni for our annual Waldorf University Homecoming celebration Oct. 5 - 8, 2023! The majority of Homecoming events will happen Saturday, October 7th, which includes class reunions, tailgating/carnival games, alumni band/choir rehearsals, the Waldorf vs Valley City State football game, a Waldorf Author Panel, the Music Department's Homecoming Concert, Trivia Night and more!

We are especially excited to welcome back the class of 1973 who will celebrate their 50-year reunion! The schedule posted online **here** is updated regularly.

Why did the date change? The conference football schedule changed twice!! We apologize for the confusion.

Wanted: Class Representatives!

Everyone is welcome every year, and we are especially excited to celebrate the following classes: 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973 (*50 years*), 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, 2013, 2018. Do you have 5-15 hours to help with outreach to your class and planning? The alumni office is looking for class representatives to assist with reunion planning for Homecoming 2023. Volunteer today and email alumni@waldorf.edu or call 641-585-8148.

Homecoming 2023 Schedule



Waldorf in the News



President Bob Alsop sat down with KIOW last month to reflect of the 2022-23 school year - a year which was filled with positive highlights all around for students, staff, coaches, and alumni alike. Click the button below to listen in to his reflections!

Listen to President Alsop



Chase Paramore, currently the youngest head college football coach in the country, was a guest on The Paul Finebaum Show in May. Paramore, 26, is a 2014 Providence Christian graduate. He was hired in January as Waldorf's new coach after serving the past season

as Waldorf's offensive coordinator and assistant head coach.

Finebaum, a nationally-syndicated talk show host, asked Paramore what he thought it was about his ability that enabled him to take a path that very few have taken before in leading a college program at such a young age?

"I think for me and my career, I've always tried to focus on the players and the studentathletes I come in contact with on a daily basis," Paramore said. "I just try to pour into them as much as I possibly can, whether that's just helping them in their personal life, academically and then obviously athletically on the field.

It is a great interview, and we hope you'll <u>listen.</u> Go Warriors!

Waldorf Launches Division II Hockey



We have a second hockey team!

The new Warrior squad will compete in Division II of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA). The team will complement Waldorf's existing ACHA Division I squad, which competed at the Division II level. The ACHA recently approved the team's candidacy for participation in 2023-24, paving the way for the new Warrior team to debut this coming season.

Waldorf hired veteran ACHA Head Coach Sean Parker to lead the upstart program. Parker comes to Waldorf by way of Division I Oakland University, where Parker has served as head coach of the Golden Grizzlies. Parker is well-traveled within the collegiate ranks, with prior stints at Grand Valley State University, Davenport University, and his alma mater of Northern Michigan. At NMU, Parker was named ACHA Division II Coach of the Year for the 2015-16 season for his work with their women's team.

Read the full story!





A Window of Opportunity!

A donor has offered to **match** all gifts made to the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation **"Window of Opportunity Campaign".** The donor pledged up to \$500,000 for 1:1 matching gifts in support of this incredibly transformative time for Waldorf. All gifts are tax deductible. You can make your gift **online** and select "Window of Opportunity".

We are so grateful to the growing number of donors who believe in our mission and recognize the incredible opportunity we have been given.

Thank you for helping us create a successful and bright future for Waldorf University. Thank you, and God Bless!

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What's Your Waldorf Story?



First row from left: Esther LaVrenz, Kelly Brons, Susanna Lee, Marie Schmidt, Candice Chapek, Lindsay Rummel, Tiffany Weir, Lisa Satre, Crystal Berg, Rachel Brown, Holly Mayland, Krista Rygh, Ashley Young, Holly Depping. Second row: Krista Zoske, Sheree Pederson, Katy McDowell, Stephanie Suhrbier, Kristen Rokke, Kristina Peterson, Lauren Strandell, Karen Willemsen, Nicole Robertson, Markina Cornell, Jessica Noding. Third row: Joseph Obermeyer, Dustin Nelson, Todd Walter, Josh Damm, Andrew Johnson, Jared Merkel, Ben Peake, Travis Rosin, John Mattson, Mike Hamilton, Dave Wambold. Fourth row: Nathaniel Schmidt, Dustin Voges, Mark Peterson, Chase Chisholm, Bjorn Tjornes, Andrew Nelson, Sam Missal, Jeremiah Oehlerich, Eric Kooima, Kyle Rose, Chris McCallum, Adam Evans.

Do you have a great "Waldorf Story"? We like to feature alumni and need your help! From the short stories to long narratives, share your story at the link below or by email to alumni@waldorf.edu

The 2003-04 choir students certainly have stories to share!!

We can't wait to read your stories.

My Waldorf Story

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