

Richard “Buzz” Yocom, also known as “Mr. Willamette,” earned a Bachelor degree in psychology at Willamette University in 1949, where he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and the Psychological Association. In 1955 WU Pres. G. Herbert Smith offered him a position in admissions, which he accepted and then went on to hold numerous other positions, including Assistant Registrar, Registrar, Assistant Professor of Psychology, Dean of Admissions, Assistant to the President, and Director of International Education. When he retired from WU in 1993, Buzz was asked to serve as Director of TIUA and he retired from that position in 2001.

“Many students compared Buzz to a much-loved father. Larry Houle ’79 said, “He was a teacher of the rarest kind. Buzz taught from the heart.”

“Buzz can legitimately take full responsibility for my having completed my degree... He found a very powerful way to let me know I was important as an individual.” –*Linda Forrest ’71*

More: www.willamette.edu/scene/spring_04/34.ht

As the Civil War raged in the 1860’s, Reverend *Alvan F. Waller* had just been appointed University Agent – a position that heaped the responsibilities of fund-raiser, financial officer and business manager onto one set of shoulders-and the school desperately needed an infusion of money.

“Father Waller” hitched up his horse and buggy and began four years of scouring the countryside. The roads were largely impassible, each journey took a month, and he supported himself by performing marriages and selling books so that every donation would result in brick and stone. He sold off his land, piece by piece, and donated his meager annual salary of \$700 two years in a row saying, “I am working for future generations.”

The editor of The Pacific Christian Advocate advised all who “meet Bro. W. ... to give him something for the College at once, as it is the cheapest method of getting clear of him.” While those looking for donations are sometimes avoided, Waller’s enthusiasm drew people to him. According to those who knew him, “No man was more widely known and thoroughly respected.”

More: www.willamette.edu/scene/2006/winter/18/

Administrative & Classified Excellence ACE Awards Luncheon May 20, 2011 Keepsake Program

Noon *Gathering at Mission Mill*

Welcome

☞ Wendy Gleason, Manager-Training, Development, & Work Culture Programs

Invocation

☞ Charlie Wallace, Chaplain

12:20 *WE ROC Drawing*

☞ Keith Grimm, Director-Human Resources

Staff Sustainability Awards

12:30 *Employees of the Year Awards*

Buzz Yocom Campus Service Award

☞ Diane Babbitt ’84, Alumni Board Secretary

Alvan F. Waller Stewardship Award

☞ Jim Booth ’64, Director of Alumni Travel

Willamette University Motto Award Not unto ourselves alone are we born.

☞ President M. Lee Pelton

12:45 *Celebrating President Pelton’s
Time at Willamette University*

☞ Richard Birke, Director-Center for Dispute Resolution & Assoc. Professor of Law

☞ Mary Ann Zielinski, LPN-Bishop Wellness Center, President-Classified Council

12:55 *Frank Miller Photo Drawings*

Centerpiece Winners Announcement

Willamette Employee Recognition On Campus WE ROC!

Vicki Aguilar "helped me with heavy lifting"

Mike Bergh "kudos-working with producer"

Sue Bernt "went out of her way"

Jeff Bolt "last-minute requests-early arrival"

Sue Borchers "help-with a smile"

Stephen Boyd "wowed me with the set up"

Robert Brooks "excellent set up"

Amanda Burt "what a sweetheart!"

Bryanna Charshaf "why I go to Goudy"

Joel Chisman "thoughtful and kind"

Robert Cook "helped us set up"

Dan Craig "always goes above and beyond!"

Christina Davis "gives me a home-feeling"

Ramon Estrada "he helped on a Saturday"

Felicia Garcia "she was super friendly"

Jillian Keller "refilled the milk for me"

Marc Marelich "very informative, not rushed"

Reyna Meyers "always active and supportive"

Matt Nolley "worked with CCTV-I forgot!"

Pam Noon "a bright spot in my day"

Teresa Pearson "a real pleasure"

Shirley Priepke "rush job for materials"

Carol Quackenbush "sunny disposition"

Shikou Saetern "the glue that holds WU"

Susan Sauer "very friendly"

Carol Sayer "she's a sports fan and I love her"

Pam Smith "always makes me smile"

Diane Stone "always friendly and kind"

Donna U-Kebekol "way above and beyond"

Bill Walker "friendly and helpful-one of us!"

Leslie Whitaker "was awesome!"

Brian Yee "helped me with computer issues"

(Submitted by: 1 parent, 18 students, 21 staff, 3 anon.)

WE ROC drawing prizes given to:

Marc Marelich

Carol Quackenbush

Felicia Garcia

Staff Sustainability Award Nominees

Jim Andersen

Mickey Cochrane

Dan Craig

Sarah Evans

Andrea Foust

Gary Grimm

Alex Ichinoe

Betsy Johnson

Liesa Kister

Michelle Maynard

Dave Rigsby

Dean Wentworth

Winners:

Jim Anderson & Dan Craig

Special Thanks to our Volunteers

ACE Committee

Alfonso Guzman

Reyna Meyers

Leonard Snodgrass

Mary Ann Zielinski

Wendy Gleason

Centerpieces

Janene Allman

Riza Bates

Renee Jaime

Janet Jobs

Linda Flamenco

Shaunna Williams

Charlene Bramble

Dean Wentworth

Seating Hosts

Karen Atkinson

Linda Flamenco

Keith Grimm

Catering

Leslie Berning

Beth Dittman

Shanel Parette

John Repplinger

Desiree Vorhees

Mary Ann Zielinski

Photography

Suzie Torre

Employee of the Year Nominees

Jeff Allen
Kristen Allman
Anne Barry-Lever
Joshua Bilbrew
Jeff Bolt
Sue Borchers
Richard Breen
Laura Clerc
Marty Cripe
Heather Daniels
Jim Doran
Ramon Estrada
Phom Farmchoy
Judy Gordon
Rose Hedlund
Rita Hinchcliff
Melinda Hochendoner
Wendy Johnson
Bill Kelm
Jennifer Mathany
Kendra Mingo
Jim Moyer
Ramona Murtha
Mary Plank
Alicia Rizo
Tori Ruiz
Shikoui Saetern
Kathie San Blise
Bryan Schmidt
Amy Schwartz
Pamela Smith
Diane Stone
Desiree Vorhees
Damian Williams
Shaunna Williams
Honey Wilson

Employees of the Year

The Buzz Yocom Campus Service Award

...for outstanding service to faculty, staff, students, alumni, and other constituents; and for improving the quality of work and campus life in ways that make a substantial difference for colleagues and constituents.

Awarded to:
Joshua Bilbrew & Tori Ruiz

The Alvan F. Waller Stewardship Award

...for developing creative solutions to problems that result in more effective, efficient University operations which may also result in cost savings to the university; and for promoting teamwork, enhancing communications and inspiring commitment and productivity.

Awarded to:
Kendra Mingo & Pamela Smith

The Willamette University Motto Award

Non nobis solum nati sumas.

Not unto ourselves alone are we born.

...for performance that demonstrates our commitment to community service; collaboration between faculty, staff and students; and civic engagement.

Awarded to:
Honey Wilson & William Kelm

Years of Service Anniversaries

Classified Staff

5-Lisa Ehlers
5-Chris Hochendoner
5-Sue Bernt
5-Riza Bates
5-Connie Ralph
5-Diane Stone
5-Angela Vie
5-Frank Bates
5-Shaunna Williams
5-Vicki Beglau
10-Casslayne Porterfield
10-Leslie Sallee
10-Franklin Simons
10-Arturo Salinas
10-Alice French
10-Pam Smith
15-Angelia Littleton
15-Mark Wade
15-Dan Craig
15-Gary Propp
20-Jim Ames
20-Bradley Smith
25-Janene Allman

Administrative Staff

5-Sarah Evans
5-Gaelen McAllister
5-Mary McKay
5-Susan Parkman
5-Donald Thomson
5-Andrew McNall
5-Lauren Roscoe
5-Brian Miller
5-Laura Simmons
5-Melissa Treichel

Years of Service Anniversaries

Administrative Staff (continued)

5-Timothy LaDuke
5-Kendra Mingo
5-Christopher Sabato
5-Deborah Dancik
5-Cathy Gaskin
5-Erik Schmidt
5-Margaret Trout
5-Wendi Binford
5-Russell Yost
10-Denise Callahan
10-Marva Fabien
10-Jennifer Johns
10-Mark Majeski
10-Chris Andresen
10-Galin Brown
10-Martha Renick
10-Rebecca Roberts
10-Joshua Scott
10-Jamie Hart
15-Anne Barry-Lever
15-Judy Gordon
15-Gary Klein
15-Rebecca Miller-Moe
15-Michael Spalti
15-James Bauer
15-Melinda Hochendoner
15-Mark Speckman
20-Bill Kelm
20-Mary DeMuniz
20-Marilyn Plenge
20-David Douglass
20-Robert Trapp
20-Judy O'Neill
25-Charlie Wallace
25-Jim Kephart
35-Elysabeth Hall