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Bill Appling Tributes Planned

The Board of the William Appling Singers and Orchestra cordially invites all WRA alumni to a celebration of William Appling's life on **June 21, 2009, at 4 p. m. at Riverside Church in New York City.** The afternoon's gathering will include spoken and musical tributes, and a performance of J.S. Bach's Motet "Singet dem Herrn" to be sung by a choir consisting of Bill's former students and colleagues.

If you sang with Bill at any time, please consider becoming part of this special choir. A reception in the church will follow the program. Complete details

about the celebration, including a list of those attending, travel and accommodation information, and instructions for participating in the choir, can be found at the William Appling Singers and Orchestra website, <http://www.muzen.com/waso.html>. The Board hopes you will join old friends and new as we remember a teacher who inspired so many of us through his boundless generosity, his belief in every student, and his great love of music."

Back on campus, we are planning to honor former Faculty Master Bill Appling with an Alumni Tribute in the Chapel on Saturday of Reunion Weekend. This celebration of Bill's life and dedication to Reserve will take place on June 6 from 10:00am - 11:00am. All alumni are welcome to attend.

If you would like to help plan this event or to share thoughts or memories from

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your time with Bill, or if you would be willing to perform during the tribute - either through participation in a chorus or as a soloist, please contact Midge Karam '79, Chair of Fine and Performing Arts at karamm@wra.net or 330.650.9744.

Upcoming Alumni Events - Mark Your Calendar!

Alumni Lacrosse Game: May 17th

Although in recent years we have held this game over the Memorial Day weekend, we have changed the date this year to coincide with the weekend of the MSLCA Tournament, which is back at WRA after a hiatus last year to Brother Rice.

So, why not make a weekend of it? Watch the tournament on Friday and Saturday, attend a special Alumni Lacrosse BBQ on Saturday evening (we provide the food and beverages, you provide the stories), and then the game pitting the Alumni vs. the WRA Varsity on Sunday at noon. Please contact Ray Murphy '81 at murphyr@wra.net if you are interested in attending the Alumni Game, the BBQ, or both.



Photo of Indians Scoreboard at 2008 Alumni Game

Indians vs. Yankees: May 29th

Friday, May 29th

Happy Hour: 5 - 6:30

Game time: 7:05

Join the WRA Alumni Association when the Indians take on the Yankees on a special Friday Night 70's Fireworks night! There will also be a pre-game happy hour. Seats are in Section 311. We have 50 tickets available at only \$9.00 each--that's half-off the retail price! Limit of 4 tickets, please. You may purchase your tickets at [Online Event Registrations](#).

For a complete schedule of all events, including home and away athletic contests,

Charles Hammel '65
Dataw Island, SC

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New York, NY

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visit the School Calendars page on the WRA website.

WRA Alumni Summer Tennis Club

Please Join us!

Monday evenings: 7-8:30PM at the WRA Tennis Courts

Beginning June 15 - July 27th

Any skill level welcome!

Come for fun and to meet & see other alumni!

June 15th will be the kick-off with wine & cheese & casual tennis

If you are interested in participating please contact:

Inga Walker '91 ingawalker@gmail.com

Or

Jyl Brown-McLaughlin '91 jylly@aol.com

7th Annual Alumni Golf Classic

There is still time to register for the seventh annual Alumni Golf Classic, to be played on June 5th, the Friday morning of Reunion Weekend. The Classic is open to all alumni, family members, friends, faculty and staff. All proceeds benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Program. As in the past, it will be played at the beautiful [Country Club of Hudson](#). Registration begins at 10:00 a. m., and includes brunch from 10:15 until the 11:30 shotgun start. Registration is \$125 per golfer or \$460 per foursome, and in addition to brunch, includes greens fees, cart, locker room usage, practice range, on-course beverages, a gift-bag and a 19th hole reception. For class years 1999 through 2009, the registration fee is just \$100 per golfer. Click [here](#) to register online or visit the [Golf Classic website](#) for more details.

In addition to the thrill of victory on the course, golfers can also compete in hole-in-one, closest-to-the-pin contest and longest-drive competitions.

As noted, proceeds benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. Funds are generated from Golf Outing registration fees and, to a greater extent, from Golf Outing sponsorships. Since 1995, the Alumni Association has presented a scholarship prize to a junior who will well represent Reserve as a graduate and remain an active and contributing member of the alumni community. The scholarship money is put towards the cost of the student's education at Reserve. The Alumni Association's goal is to eventually endow a full scholarship. Please join us this year and help the Alumni Association move closer to fully funding this scholarship program. If you would like, as an individual or a business, to become a sponsor, visit the [Sponsorship page](#) on our Golf Classic website or contact Ray Murphy in the Alumni and Development Office at (330) 650-9703.

Eric Reidenbach '66
Hattiesburg, MS

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Medina, OH

John Treleven '99
Cincinnati, OH

Inga Weimer Walker '91
Hudson, OH

James Yoo '93
Cleveland Heights, OH

Reunion Weekend: June 5-7

If your Class Year ends in a 4 or a 9 then you have been making plans to return to campus for Reunion Weekend and the 7th Annual Alumni Golf Classic. Click [here](#) to register online and to view a complete schedule of events.

General Schedule

Friday, June 5

11:30 a.m. Seventh Annual Golf Classic
6:30 p.m. Head of School Reception & Dinner
8:30 - 11 p.m. '50S Sock Hop in Ellsworth Hall
9:45 p.m. Fireworks

Saturday, June 6

8 - 10 a.m. Continental Breakfast in Ellsworth
10 a.m. Alumni Tribute to Bill Appling in The Chapel
11 a.m. Chapel Program: Alumni Celebration of Excellence
12:30 p.m. Alumni & Family Picnic
2:30 p.m. Alumni Soccer Game
3 p.m. Wine & Beer Tasting in the WRAP
5 - 11 p.m. Individual Class Dinners

Sunday, June 7

9 - 11:30 a.m. Breakfast Buffet in Ellsworth Hall

Spring Alumni Gathering Highlights

Although Reunion Weekend is the signature annual alumni gathering, mini-reunions have also taken place throughout the year in various cities across the country. Most recently, gatherings were held in Boston and Washington, D.C. In late February, Cleveland area alumni met for a happy hour, followed by a Cav's basketball game. For more information and photos for many of these events visit our [Event Highlights](#) webpage.

In London, Alumni Board member David Flechner '96 organized a gathering at a local pub and was joined by fellow alums Bill Ingram '60, Rachel Narens '00, Barak Rabinowitz '96, and Philip Ginsberg '01 for "Good conversation, and plenty of fun anecdotes about experiences at Reserve." David plans to put together another gathering this summer, so stay tuned!

Alumni/Student Forums

For a number of years, the Alumni Association has sponsored Alumni-Student Forums to help connect the two groups and to enable them to share experiences and ideas. Two were held in April. Photos of both events can be found at our [Event Highlights](#) webpage.

Alumni/Student Men's Forum

On Friday, April 17th, seven alumni discussed their Reserve, college and career experiences with 25 male students during the Alumni & Student Men's Forum, moderated by faculty master Pat Smith.

After a dinner of chicken wings and pizza (guy food) in The WRAp (the student lounge), the alums took turns sharing stories of their memories of Reserve, the teachers that influenced them, and how these experiences prepared them for life after graduation.

Rather than focus solely on their achievements, the alumni did not hold back on also describing their disappointments and setbacks in lives and careers. In fact, a running theme throughout the discussion was how they overcame adversity to achieve their goals. Many also emphasized the importance of taking advantage of any opportunity that presents itself, as it most likely will not come around again.

The students enjoyed the opportunity to listen to the alumni and learn from their experience.

The alumni who participated were: Bob Rischitelli '88, Attorney and Sports Agent; Marc Lambert '89, Attorney; Colt McCutcheon '90, Application Sales Manager at Oracle; Bill Schneider '94, Assistant Professor, College of Engineering at The University of Akron; Rashad Gray '96, Financial Advisor at KeyCorp; Jason McMains '02, Engineer at Goodrich; Greg Gasbarro '03, Research Student at The Cleveland Clinic, Future Med Student.

Women-to-Women

On Friday, April 24, over twenty junior and senior girls came together in the Wilson Reading Room to visit with 8 alumnae in our annual Women to Women event. For over ten years, WRA has sponsored this wonderful evening with the help of the Alumni & Development Office and in recent years the Alumni Association Board and a terrific team of students under the guidance of Elizabeth Wirtz, Dean of Student Life. The purpose of the evening is to provide the opportunity for female graduates to share their stories of life at Reserve and beyond with the young women who will soon be following in their footsteps.

The forum is very relaxed with each panelist introducing themselves or being introduced by one of the students. Then the girls have ample time to ask questions of the panel and the conversation is never lacking for intriguing responses and powerful information that the girls carry with them long after the evening is over. Some of the hot topics for the evening were:

- "How to balance family and work"
- "It's ok to switch your focus and your job several times during your lifetime, as long as you are doing work that makes you happy and fulfilled."
- "Make sure to see the world and travel if the opportunity presents itself."
- "Asserting yourself as a woman in male-dominated fields"

Alumni panelists included: Jyl Brown-McLaughlin '91, Career Coach; Kerry Kirk '94; Educational Services & Community Outreach Director; Priya Maseelall '92, OB-GYN and Reproductive Endocrinology specialist; Erin Hockman Matson '95, Inter-clinical psychology; Marissa Agra Paul '91, Professional Healthcare Sales Representative; Erin McHugh Saif '97, Product Manager; Erin Dickinson VanBuren '99 Attorney; Olivia Williamson Wakeling '97, Resource Development Manager - Salvation Army

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