

Here are EC Class Notes for March 2013. Be sure to send us your news and we'll publish it in the next issue of Maroon & Gold. Enjoy!

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60's

Bruce Darnall '66 has written an article titled "Padres Pitcher is Passionate about Faith, Family, Farming and Baseball" on San Diego Padre pitcher, Eric Stults. It was published on-line by Athletes in Action, the sports ministry for Campus Crusade for Christ. It tells of his life and his Christian faith. The article can be found at: www.athletesinaction.org/news, then General category.

80's

Daniel Barth '82 is improving science education for students nation-wide. He has been teaching science (mostly physics and astronomy) at the high school and college level for 27 years in California. 12 years ago, he came up with a radical idea to improve science education in middle school – throw away the text book and teach science through science fiction. He has written 3 books which have reached #1 Best Seller status on Amazon – *Maurice on the Moon; The Doomed Colony of Mars; and Crisis on the Far Side*.



In 2009, he was honored with the *Amgen Award for Science Teaching Excellence* and has also been honored with the *Science is for Kids Foundation Fellowship*. This spring, schools in the Los Angeles Unified School District began using his books to improve reading and science skills for remedial students. His work has begun to be recognized internationally and he will be a featured speaker in October at the International Council for Education Media in Singapore.

90's

Marni Rora '90 is a physical education/coach at Rolling Acres Middle School. She resides in Creve Coeur, IL.

Tracy Ahrens '92 will soon be sharing her columns with Wag the Dog UK. Follow the site at http://www.wagthedoguk.com/. Tracy will also have her framed art image of Bosley bunny on permanent display in the Rabbit Center at the House of Rabbit Society national headquarters in Richmond, CA.

Jataun Rollins '92 is proud to announce she has opened her private practice as a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in Homewood, IL, providing psychotherapy to individuals, couples and families as Jataun J. Williams & Associates.

Andrew Fetterolf '97 is a project manager for Midwest Environmental. He resides in Washington, IL.

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Kenton Powell '03 was promoted to be Program Director of Internal Medicine Primary Care Track Residency Program at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center. He resides in Lebanon, NH.

Heath Wilson '04 has been named the head football coach at Routt Catholic High School in Jacksonville, IL.

Jordan Vardon '05 and Kerri Knellinger were married on Sept. 15, 2012. EC Alumni in the wedding party were John Bennet '05 and Joe Williams '05. John and Joe also performed a song during the ceremony. In attendance at the wedding were EC alums Nick DeVries '03 and Nick Snyder '02. Jordan was promoted to Managing Vice President in Wells Fargo Securities' Interest Rate Risk Management division. They reside in Matthews, NC.



Jordan and Kerri posing in uptown Charlotte, NC.

Oliver '06 and Moriah Thacker '06 Bode announce the birth of their son, Oliver Albert Bade IV, which means "Man of Peace, Noble and Wise," born on Feb. 22, 2013. He was welcomed home by big sister, Charity.



Rebecca Somogi '08 recently presented a paper, "Managing with Empathy: Do You Feel What I Feel?", at the annual meeting of the North American Management Society held in February 2013 in Chicago, IL.

Linda Foster '09 received the Roy Wilkins Jr. Award, the NAACP's highest honor, at the annual Freedom luncheon. Linda was a major force in the civil rights movement for more than 20 years in Illinois and beyond. She is superintendent of Building Services and Recycling at Illinois State University and is the current president of the local NAACP chapter.



Heather Skelton '12 and Jeremy Hamm were married on Oct. 6, 2012, at Chestnut Mountain Ski Resort in Galena, IL. EC Alumni in the wedding party were Mary Garbett '10, Natassia Nelson '10, Cathy Kalnicky '10 and Nicole Miller '12. They reside in Cuba City, WI.

Deaths Eleanor Knight Norton '37 Mildred Young Walker '45 Leroy Smith '52 Rebecca Koltveit '13