Connecting Campus and Community

James Taylor, WSU’s new director of the Office of Sponsored Projects and Technology Commercialization, wants community members and Weber State alumni to bring their business ideas to campus for students and faculty to provide research and a fresh perspective.

“Alumni can engage with us on an entrepreneurial level,” explained Taylor when he arrived this summer. “We invite them to bring ideas to campus that students can run with and help develop.”

In the entrepreneurial relationship Taylor envisions, businesses will gain information, and students will gain practical experience to help build their resumes for careers or graduate schools.

“Students who work with faculty on exciting and challenging research questions get an incredible education,” Taylor said.

“We want to allow every student who is interested to participate, particularly when we’ll seed their ideas and get them to the marketplace. We also want to make it possible for faculty to successfully blend research into their curriculums.”

In order to help make more collaboration a reality, Taylor said his goal is to double the amount of money available for student and faculty research projects to $24 million within the next few years.

For a complete list of the many personnel changes on campus, see page 3.

Promontory Tower Comes Down

During the summer of 2012, the campus landscape changed. Promontory Tower came down brick by brick — almost reluctantly, as if bound together by many memories.

In case you missed the demolition, Multimedia Services has posted a short, time-lapse video on YouTube. It can be viewed at bit.ly/9m9dR08.

Stewart Wasatch Hall Opens

Students will now make memories in Wildcat Village, WSU’s new residence hall complex. On Aug. 14, several hundred members of the campus community joined to celebrate the grand opening of the newest addition to Wildcat Village — Stewart Wasatch Hall.

The flagship building of the complex, Stewart Wasatch Hall will feature a technology-enhanced restaurant where residents will swipe their student identification cards, place an order on a touchscreen and a few minutes later enjoy freshly prepared, restaurant-quality food. The residence hall also includes a convenience store, study rooms, a student printing station, large meeting room, housing office and fitness center.

“Today PT is just a pile of rubble. A surprisingly small pile, considering it holds the remains of an 11-story building. After 23 years at Weber State I can’t help but be mindful of the gap in our changing campus skyline and reflect on the friendships and laughter shared along the way.”

Kathryn Edwards
Program Director, Master of Professional Communication
Resident in PT Spring 1990
Employee in PT 2002-2009

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Google Apps
Coming July 2013 to a Computer, Smart Phone and/or Tablet Near You

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• Gmail, which provides 25 gigabytes of email storage and allows faculty and staff to keep their “weber.edu” addresses;

• Google Calendar, which allows coordination of work or class schedules, meetings and events; and

• Google Docs, which allows users to create and collaborate on documents in real time, as well as upload and share any file type.

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The Stewart Education Foundation pledged $5 million for the new residence hall in order to give more students the chance to enjoy the benefits of living on campus.

Stewart Watsach Hall was the second building to be completed in Wildcat Village. When finished, the complex, which replaces Promontory Tower, LaSal, Watsach and Stanbury halls, will feature three buildings and house more than 500 students.

Designed to foster community and promote engagement, Wildcat Village will be home to multiple Living Learning Communities (LLCs). An LLC combines students’ special interests with living and learning opportunities such as outdoor adventure or cultural affairs.

**Center for Continuing Education Opens**

Also added this summer was the new Center for Continuing Education located at 775 S. University Park Blvd. in Clearfield, Utah. It is neatly adjacent to the northwest corner of the WSU Davis campus.

The new building houses professional development and the law enforcement academy. Previously, courses in those programs were taught at WSU’s Training & Learning Center in Layton, Utah.

The newly renovated space is better equipped to meet the specific needs of those programs. It includes amenities such as a defensive tactics room and locker room for the law enforcement academy, as well as high-speed, hard-wired broadband connection into the WSU Davis campus, along with a robust wireless network in the facility.

**Construction Continues on Professional Programs Classrooms Building**

Construction is in high gear at WSU Davis, with the Professional Programs Classrooms Building scheduled to open fall 2013.

The new building will house classrooms and laboratories to accommodate nursing electronics engineering, construction management, interior design and other high-demand programs at WSU Davis.

In addition to academic space, the new building will include a student union area, a large food court, a fitness area with classrooms, an area devoted to cardio and weight training, lockers and showers, and event space.

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**Welcome to WSU**

Camille Allred, Davis Student Services

Amanda Alleman, College of Health Professions

David Allred, Student Success Center

Kristy Baron, Nursing

Vincent Bates, Teacher Education

Keith Berard, Athletics Admin and Support

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Jami Wankier, Nursing

Joel Watson, Business Administration

Jennifer Weidl, Dental Hygiene

Yong Zhong, Computer Science

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Samantha Champel, Financial Aid

Steen Coleman, Academic Support Centers

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Bryan Hambly, Student Success Center

Amber Hanser, Bursar and Collection Services

Zachary Hansen, Purchasing

Shahid Khan, Athletics Administration and Collection Services

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Ralph Frederiksen, Facilities Management

Lynell Gardner, Alumni Relations

Pamela Hugie, Nursing

Donald Keipp, Performing Arts

Ronald Peterson, Computer Science

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John Storer, Business Administration

Ralph Stover, Business Administration

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