

Ogden Campus Buildings Receive New Addresses

Imagine you're a 55-year-old visitor to campus. As you walk from the Shepherd Union to the pay lot, you begin to experience shortness of breath. By the time you reach your vehicle, you are in cardiac arrest and call 9-1-1 for help. Without a street name, how do you tell dispatch your location? How do paramedics find you?

This scenario is based on actual events. Fortunately the person involved survived, but the lack of street names delayed initial medical response.

"One of our officers had to lead the ambulance to the correct location, costing precious seconds," said WSU Police Chief Dane LeBlanc. "The decision to name all streets on the Ogden campus is based on life/safety concerns."

LeBlanc and a committee of employees from the Ogden campus worked with Ogden City police and fire department officials to develop a street-naming convention. Names for streets such as "Stadium Way" and "Village Drive" were developed based on prominent features located along those thoroughfares. In other cases, existing road names such as Dixon Drive and Edvalson Street informed the street addresses. The existing Ogden City grid system was superimposed over campus to help pinpoint physical addresses for most locations.

To avoid duplication of existing street names, local emergency response agencies and the United States Postal Service had to review and approve all names President's Council submitted.

> The newly named streets also will make it easier to direct visitors to popular destinations, such as the Browning Center.

> > "Rather than say, 'turn off Dixon Drive just before the Information Booth,' now people can say, 'from Dixon Parkway

you want to turn east on West Campus Drive,'" LeBlanc said.

The named streets also result in new mailing addresses for all offices and departments.

"Having addresses that refer to physical locations should alleviate a lot of confusion," said Jeff Williams, Mail Center manager. "The old addresses

worked fine for mail, but people would drive all over looking for a specific address on University Circle without finding the physical location."

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Chloe D. Merrill grew up in a four-bed hospital in the tiny town of Hiawatha, Utah, until the age of 14 when she moved to Price, Utah. "True story," she said, nodding emphatically. Her father was a doctor, her mother a nurse. Naturally, she started down a pre-med path in college. "Then the time came to kill a frog. At that point in my life, I had seen life and death. My parents had explained it well. But as I thought about that frog, I wasn't sure I could handle not being able to save someone who was dying," she explained.

It was that frog that sent Merrill down a different course, one that would lead her to major in family and consumer science (and



eventually complete her master's and doctoral degrees), to move to Ogden, and to accept a position at Weber State College.

"I thought this would be a good bouncing off place," Merrill said, smiling. Thirty-five years later, she is the associate dean of the

Jerry & Vickie Moyes College of Education, director of the Boyd K. and Donna S. Packer Center for Family & Community Education, and a revered faculty member in the Department of Child and Family Studies, where she has twice served as chair.

"I love that Weber State is a teaching university. I love to do research, try new ideas. I love to watch the seed of an idea grow to full-blown reality," Merrill said. She has witnessed that numerous times with many of the programs that now fall under the Packer Center, including the Families Alive Conference, Storytelling Festival, Teachers of Tomorrow, Teachers Assistant Pathway to Teaching and, most recently, the WSU Charter Academy. (continued on page 2)

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Existing four-digit mail codes will be repurposed as department numbers in the new addresses. Every office will feature a street address, followed by 'Dept. XXXX." For example here's how it would look on an envelope:



The transition to the new mailing addresses will occur during late spring and early summer. All addresses should be converted by July 1. Printing Services will offer assistance with updating business cards and letterhead as needed. Departments should also update addresses on Web pages and contact information sheets.

Addresses for Weber State University Davis and other outlying centers and locations will not change.

For more information, or to learn what your new office address will be, visit weber.edu/address.

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Merrill's eyes glisten while speaking about these programs. "I was raised in a family that encouraged lifelong learning. I want to pass that on, to continue to help individuals learn about themselves, about other cultures, about our differences. I want them to see that they must work together as a community to truly succeed."

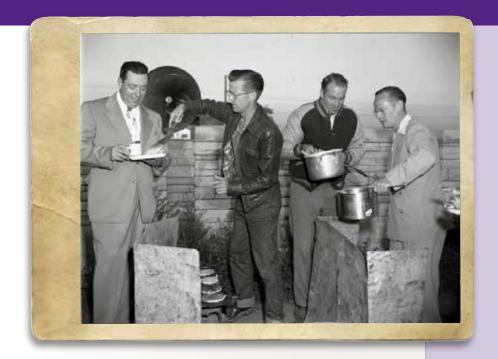
That is why, today, Merrill has created the Chloe D. Merrill Family Education Enhancement Endowment and Annual Fund, and has also included WSU in her estate plans. "I've been at Weber State for more than half my life," she said, "and in many ways, it's like a child to me."

Jack Rasmussen, dean of the Moyes College of Education, said, "Chloe has been outstanding as a faculty member and administrator for our college. She chaired the Families Alive Conference 13 times and helped push the Charter Academy through in one year, when it usually takes two. I think this gift reflects what is important to her, which really doesn't come as a surprise to anyone because she's demonstrated her commitment so tremendously over the past 35 years."

Better Location for Emergency Services to See and Be Seen

The Weber State University Campus Police Department and Parking Services will relocate this summer to the northwest corner of campus in a new Public Safety Building. The 10,000 square-foot facility at the intersection of Dixon Parkway and Edvalson Street will also provide a shared training location for WSU staff events and a new location for the campus Emergency Operations Center. R&O Construction, based in Ogden, began construction in November. The construction will take approximately eight to nine months.





From the Archives

In 1952, The Scribulus — a quarterly literary magazine published by students from 1935 to 1966 — published this picture of a pancake breakfast in front of the Weber College sign.

While the black and white image is evocative of another time, the photo caption speaks even more vividly of a bygone era: "Hashslingers at outdoor ptomaine parlor give Prof. Walter C. Neville anticpatory gustory sociological zest for good meal. Was he fooled! Nice about it all anyway are Prof. Elliot Rich, coach Clair Anderson, Doc Basil Hansen. 'Pretty good dirty cooks,' commented Neville."

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WELCOME to WSU

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Planning to travel for Weber State? You'll need the following documentation for your WSU Travel Log Envelope.

- Conference/event registration receipt
- Conference/event agenda showing dates of event
- Airfare itinerary and receipt
- Airfare equivalency, if electing to drive rather than fly
- Itemized receipts for all WSU P-Card expenditures
- Itemized receipts for all out-of-pocket business expenditures
- Receipt from Cashier's Office, if reimbursement is due to traveler
- Receipt from Cashier's Office, if reimbursement is due to WSU
- Any other documentation supporting unique details of trip

Four Weber State employees, nominated by their peers and chosen by committee, were presented with this year's Presidential Outstanding Exempt and Non-exempt Staff awards.

The employees each received \$2,000 cash, a plaque, a reserved parking space for one year and performing arts tickets.

Exempt Awards

Mary Ann Boles is the assistant to the dean of the Goddard School of Business & Economics. According to colleagues, she is a mentor and partner to students, faculty and deans who rely on Boles' help with scheduling, scholarships, travel, budgets and conferences.

Boles earned and maintains her Certified Administrative Professional rating. She is an active member of the Ogden/Weber Chamber Women in Business and the Association of Administrative Professionals, where she has served in many leadership roles, including twice as president. Boles has been recognized by WSU's National Customer Service Month program every year since 2006.

Amy Hendricks is a senior writer/editor in University Communications responsible for the university alumni magazine and the president's annual report.

One example of her work ethic was displayed Sept. 26, 2012, when Hendricks sent a text message that she was on the way to the hospital for the imminent birth of her second daughter. Throughout labor, she continued to edit stories and update colleagues on the status of pending projects.

Hendricks also developed a national marketing campaign for the Master of Criminal Justice — a campaign credited with helping triple the program's enrollment.

Non-exempt Staff Awards

As an administrative specialist, Claire Nye is the face of the university to those who use the Testing Center. She greets everyone with a smile and makes people feel at ease while guiding students to appropriate resources.

Nye also tracks billing, contracts, equipment repairs, personnel files and office supplies. She is the administrator for all national and international testing conducted at the university. She organizes Saturday testing and hires and supervises proctors.

Nye also served on the C-SAC committee for five years.

JoAnn Reynolds is the office specialist for the dean of the College of Social & Behavioral Sciences.

Reynolds successfully eased the transition from a dean of 26 years to a new dean unfamiliar with the university.

After 35 years at the university, "JoAnn knows the locations of the secret closets in the Social Science building," one faculty member wrote.

"She can guide someone through the Policy and Procedures Manual, and she can whip out a hammer and do minor repairs. Hers is the steady assurance that Weber State is a welcoming and supportive institution."

Faculty & Staff Accomplishments

Anthropology professor **Brooke Arkush** will publish an article,
"Communal Pronghorn Hunting
in the Great Basin: What Have We
Learned Over the Last 25 Years?" in
the upcoming journal Pacific Coast
Archaeological Society Quarterly.

Associate physics professor **John Armstrong**, with **Rene Heller**, an astrophysicist at Canada's McMaster University, recently published "Superhabitable Worlds"

in Astrobiology. The paper hypothesizes that planets, unlike our own, might actually be more habitable because certain planetary characteristics could allow life to evolve more easily than it does on Earth. Armstrong also is the lead author of the paper "Effects of Extreme Obliquity Change on Extrasolar Planets," which will be published in the journal Astrobiology in April. The authors examined the climates on planets with rapid

fluctuations in their tilts, driven by companion planets, and found that the fluctuations actually increase the likelihood of habitability.

Diana Green, professor of network technology and business multimedia, has been accepted to present "Essential Skills for the Digitally Savvy Job Seeker" at the National Business Education Association in Los Angeles in April.

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Many faculty and staff also support students and programs through charitable gifts and waivers of income. During calendar year 2013, 305 employees gave \$199,092.14 to the university. The following list includes full-time faculty and staff, part-time staff and retired employees who contributed financially last year. Many adjunct faculty also contribute to the university.

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