



# WONDERINGS....

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WISCONSIN LEADERSHIP SEMINARS INC.

## What Kind Of Leader Will You Become??

WILS Seminar Impacts Each Ambassadors Life

As you read this we imagine that you are either in the middle of or have just gotten home from what we hope has been a life-altering event. Countless hours of work has gone into the preparation and execution of this weekend. Everyone involved from the WILS Board of Directors down to the Junior Staffer assigned to your group volunteered their time to make this weekend possible. The volunteers are here because of you. You represent the best and the brightest from across the state of Wisconsin. It is our hope that we have broadened your horizons as well as motivated you to apply your leadership abilities to make a difference in both your community and school.



So what can you do to make a difference in your hometown or school? Volunteer at a local nursing home, the Special Olympics, or as a coach for your local little league team. Stand up to your classmates when they gang up on a 'loser', 'nerd' or someone who is



different from everyone else. Join a local service club such as the Key Club. Organize an event through student government such as a blood drive or litter pickup. Be active in the WILS Alumni Association and participate in or plan one of the many volunteer projects that are scheduled throughout the year, and of course, come back to the seminar next year as a Junior Staff volunteer. There are so many people and causes that need you, I'm sure you can find one that fits your personality and skills. The feeling you get from

helping others is well worth your time and effort.

Over the weekend you have been exposed to some spectacular speakers, new ideas,



and wonderful people. Paul has shown you how to better manage your time and improve your outlook on life. Mawi has overcome unbelievable obstacles to be the success he is today, and he did it all by simply setting his goals high and working everyday to reach them. Our panelists have expanded your knowledge and world-view. Your fellow ambassadors have shown you that although you

may be of different ethnicity, economic situation, and environment, that you are really not that different after all. What you do with all you have experienced and learned this weekend now rests with you. What kind of leader will you become?

Best Wishes,  
Chris Lisser  
&  
Justin Kinison

2003 Seminar  
Co-Chairpersons

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**Awards,  
Announcements  
&  
Achievements**

HELP I need a teaching job, anyone know of any openings???)

-Eva Dull

Congratulations to Pete and Angie Wellsmith on their new baby girl, Madison Lee!

I'd just like to thank everyone on the BoD for all of there help these past few months, I couldn't have done the majority of this without you!

-Trisha

Congratulations to Kelly Schmidt who graduated Cum Lade from the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire.

I just want to put a shout out to Jonathan Woodward b/c he has just graduated from Mizzou.... and good luck to him w/ law school- no matter where he ends up :). also congrats to all the other graduates, and good luck to everyone.

Thanks-

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## A Few Words from the Alumni Association President

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Well alumni, new and old, this will be the last time I address you as your alumni president. I will not be seeking reelection this summer.

What an amazing year it has been. We have endured a lot, but are still going strong as an organization. This transition period could not have been possible without the support of alumni. Without school calling lists, seminar planning meetings, putting on a great winter reunion, and keeping on your high school counselors and administrators, WILS would have

never got off the ground the way it did. I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart.

We are one amazing group of people, and we should be proud of our many accomplishments. Although I will not be on alumni board next year, I want the new board, who ever that may be, to know I will never be more than an email away, to lend advice or a hand.

I want to extend a welcome to the new alumni, I hope you can make it to our reunions and I hope you will enjoy

wonderful friendships. No matter where you are in Wisconsin, you are never far from a WILS alumni.

To my current board members, thanks for being there when we really needed to make some tough decisions. Again I would like to say thank you to all the WILS alumni. No matter where I am in the next few years, I will never forget my roots in the WILS alumni.

WILS Hugs to all,

Alissa Quade  
Alumni President

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*Go confidently in the direction of your dreams.*

*Live the life you have imagined.*

*-Henry David Thoreau*

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## WILS Newsletter and Alumni Executive Board Announcements

### Check Out the WILS Website!

With newsletters only filling your mailboxes three times per year, WILS has decided that we want to keep everyone involved in this outstanding organization updated on everything that is going on throughout the state! Whether it be reunion information, alumni association gatherings, volunteer events, or anything else pertaining to WILS...The place to find all of the information you need is:

[Http://www.WILeadershipSeminars.org](http://www.WILeadershipSeminars.org)

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# HACE CALOR!!!

By Minh Nguyen & Sarah Perkins

On August 8-10th, WILS Alumni will be taking over Milwaukee for the 2003 Summer Reunion. We will be staying at Marquette University, home of the Final Four Golden Eagles! The weekend will include a tour of the Marcus Center for Performing Arts, an entertaining speaker, and volunteer work at the Salvation Army's Emergency Shelter. There will plenty of food and laughs at

Comedy Sportz and Ed Debevic's. The reunion will end on Sunday with a tailgate at the Brewers vs. the Florida Marlins game.

The cost for the weekend is **\$60.00**. If you want to have fun, learn, and relax with good friends, then sign-up below for an outstanding time.

Please include a non-refundable \$30.00 deposit. More information will be sent to you in mid-July.

## August 8

1-2pm Check-In  
2-3 Ice-Breakers  
3-5 Tour  
5-9 Comedy Sportz/  
Dinner

9-10 Reflections  
11 Bedtime

## August 9

7-9am Breakfast  
9-2 Volunteer  
2-3 Break time  
3-5 Speaker  
5-9 Fun/Dinner at  
Ed Debevic's

9-10 Reflections  
12 Bedtime

## August 10

7-9am Breakfast  
9-11 Meeting/Elections  
11-? Brewers Tailgate

## Awards, Announcements & Achievements

Congratulations to everyone who graduated not only from college, but also from high school! Good luck in all of your endeavors in the future!

-Trisha

New Alumni...Don't forget to turn in your registration for the alumni association, and the summer reunion!

Have an awesome seminar! Unfortunately I will miss the first ever TRAIL seminar...I know that it is in great hands you guys will really make a difference! Let me know how it turns out!

-Jeni Reese

*Our character is what we do when we think no one is looking.*

*-H. Jackson Brown, Jr.*

## Summer Reunion Registration

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please send \$30 with this registration form to:

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**Registration Due by: July 10, 2003**

I'm a(n):

\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian (No meat please!)  
\_\_\_\_ Carnivore (I like meat!)  
\_\_\_\_ Adventurous eater  
(I'll eat anything you put in front of me!)

I am:

\_\_\_\_ Able to give someone a ride  
\_\_\_\_ Looking for a ride  
\_\_\_\_ I'll see you there!

If you are interested in a alumni association executive board position, feel free to contact the current officers to get the inside scoop of what the position all entails! Elections are held during the summer reunion.



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**Where there's  
a WILS,  
there's a way!**

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