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A note from the President...

The 2017 interterm concluded yesterday, and it is truly a time to appreciate the academic achievements of our students and reflect on this unique time of focused study.

During the past few weeks, our students had opportunities to gain knowledge beyond the classroom. Some students traveled to Guatemala or Western Europe, while others were able to visit a museum or the zoo. We are thrilled to see our students pursuing their goals on campus and around the world.



With the beginning of the spring semester just around the corner, we look forward to seeing the exceptional work of our bright students and hard-working faculty. We also are looking forward to partnering with you, our dedicated alumni, families and friends, who help make Midland University a remarkable and vibrant campus and community. We wish you all the best for 2017!

Midland Nursing Students Learn Many Lessons in Guatemala

Lexie Dooley still sheds tears when she talks about her most memorable moment of a recent trip to Guatemala.

The Midland University student from Missouri Valley, Iowa, was one of ten nursing students who traveled to the Central American country for two weeks in January to install safe cooking stoves and conduct health checks at a Guatemalan school.

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We are pleased to recognize these donors who helped support this nursing trip:

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Midland Senior's Paper Accepted for Presentation at MVHC Conference



Midland University senior Michael Wilson recently had his paper accepted for presentation at the renowned Missouri Valley History Conference (MVHC) in March. This year marks the 60th anniversary of the MVHC, the longest standing professional gathering of historians in the Midwest. Wilson, a history major, will present "The Watergate Scandal and the Democratic Depression." Wilson worked with Teresa Houser, Assistant Professor of History & Politics, throughout the project which began as a class project last year. Wilson continued his research and has drawn compelling conclusions about the impact of 1970's political developments in our time. Wilson plans to continue his studies in graduate school to obtain a Master's Degree in Political Science.

Interterm Offers Experiences Beyond the Classroom



Interterm at Midland University provides students with opportunities for individual research, concentrated study in a chosen area, and creative educational experiences not available during the regular term. Projects can range from individual research to study abroad experiences. Below are a few of the activities that have taken place this month:

- Dr. Susan Wood, Professor of English, took her British Literature class to the Joslyn Art Museum.
- Dr. Chintamani Manish, Professor of Biology, taught Experiencing Biomes in a Zoo and has taken students to the Omaha zoo for a behind the scenes lesson.
- Anna Brewer, a nationally recognized ex-FBI agent, taught a course on Human Trafficking. She had a line-up of guest speakers including Annie Boatright, who recently won a national nurse of the year award for her work on trauma informed care.

Brianne's Story: The Power of an MBA Network

Brianne Mathew, Class of 2016, doesn't only aspire to climb the corporate ladder. She makes it happen.

"I'm on my fifth job in five years with Union Pacific. I guess when you save the company \$3 million, you gain some visibility," she says with a smile.



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'The Music Man' Production to Take Stage This Week

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Students are counting down the days until the production of "The Music Man" takes the stage! The performances will be held from Jan 26th-29th. Order your tickets today!

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Midland to Present Interfaith Speaker Series

Midland University is presenting a new public lecture series from February to April titled, "Exploring Interfaith: Global Religion in Our Community". This series will bring speakers representing five religious traditions - Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, and Hinduism - to Midland University and the Fremont area community.



To kick-off the series, Rev. Chris Alexander, Associate Minister at Countryside Community Church will be speaking on February 7th at 7:00 p.m. at Midland University's Eppley Auditorium.

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Bowlers Strike Up National Recognition

Midland University bowler Nick Pate competed at the USBC Team USA Trials last week in Henderson, Nev., and finished in fourth place among the field of 152 amateurs. Pate's finish earned him a spot on Team USA in 2017.

Midland alumna Erin McCarthy, who was also selected to Team USA in 2015, won this year's trials on the women's side. She and men's winner Jakob Butturff of Tempe, Arizona, will represent the U.S. at the QubicaAMF World Cup in Hermosillo, Mexico, in November. [READ MORE](#)



Calling all Midland "Alumniweds!"

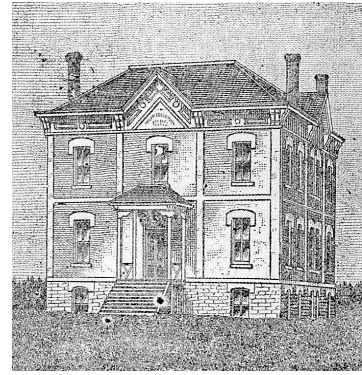
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Local Author Seeking Luther Academy and Luther College Stories

Susan Erickson of Mead, Neb. hopes to resurrect the memory of Luther Academy and Luther College. For the past year, Erickson has been developing the idea to write historical books loosely based on factual events of the two colleges. She has spent time researching the colleges' archives that span from 1883 to 1962, and is now looking for additional stories and memories. Stories or memories can be submitted to Erickson at sjerrickson00@gmail.com.



Do You Know a Future Warrior?

Do you know anyone who would thrive at the fastest growing University in Nebraska? Refer a student to take the next step and discover the Midland experience by scheduling a campus visit. Students who visit campus before January 31, 2017, will receive a \$4,000 campus visit grant and a free hoodie!



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