Dear Alumni:

Come back to Eastern for our first-ever Biology Department Reunion on Saturday, May 14!

After checking in at our brand new Fine Arts Instructional Center (be sure to pick up your Barbeque ticket and your alumni gift), we’ll begin with a special Biology Alumni Reception in our Science Building. Come and meet our current faculty to hear about all that’s happening with our academic majors and to wish Dr. Gloria Colurso well as she begins her retirement. And as a special treat, we’re happy to announce that the following emeriti faculty will be joining us as our special guests: Dr. Mike Adams, Dr. Marty Levin, Dr. Phil Elliott, Dr. Michael Gable and Dr. Barry Wulff. This will be the largest gathering of Biology alumni and faculty ever!

We’ll also be offering tours of our new Science Building. Even though it opened in the fall of 2008, you may not have seen it yet. With 174,000 square feet, the building is home to the Biology Department along with four other academic departments which had previously been located elsewhere on campus. I guarantee you’ll be excited to see the spectacular facility that advances the academic work of our students and faculty alike.

Following the reception and tours, we’ll join the rest of the Eastern community at 5:00 for the grand Alumni March to the “Big Tent Barbeque” where alumni, parents, faculty and staff will welcome the newest members of the Eastern family of alumni – the Class of 2016! We’ll have our own tables for the barbeque, so we will be able to continue catching up with each other.

Please look over the attached schedule of reunion events, and select those which you plan to attend. Return the reservation form to the Office of Alumni Affairs in the envelope provided by May 9, 2016.

I would also ask you to consider making a gift to one of these important funds that support the sciences at Eastern:

- **The Biology Endowed Fund**: was launched by Emeritus Biology Professor Barry Wulff and his wife Ella to support student-related projects in the department, including scholarships for Biology majors as well as student research, travel and programs.

- **The Michael F. Gable Biology Student Assistantships Fund**: was initiated in 2009 and provides awards to Biology and Biochemistry majors who have served biology teaching assistantships and have at least a 3.0 GPA.

- **The J. Donald McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship**: honors Eastern’s first physician and supports deserving students with financial need who are planning for careers as health professionals, medical educators, or in biomedical research. *(Gifts to this fund will be matched dollar-for-dollar thanks to the generosity of the Ossen Family Foundation.)*

- **The Student Research Scholarship Fund**: was started in 2014 by Marc Freeman ’93 and his wife Amy Sheehan ’94 and supports summer research projects and internships. *(Gifts to this fund will be matched dollar-for-dollar thanks to the generosity of the Ossen Family Foundation.)*
Whether you give $500 (1889 Society), $300 (President’s Circle) $100 (Century Club), or even less, your gift is needed and will have a positive impact. You can enclose your donation in the enclosed envelope when you return your Reunion RSVP.

If you have any questions please call Michael, Ryan or Sheila in the Office of Alumni Affairs at (860) 465-5302.

On behalf of my colleagues, I look forward to seeing you on May 14th!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth A. Cowles

Elizabeth Cowles, Ph.D.
Biology Department Chair

Enclosures
BIOLOGY REUNION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
SATURDAY MAY 14, 2016

The ECSU Alumni Association cordially invites you to join fellow alumni and faculty on campus to visit with your favorite current and emeriti faculty, tour the Science Building, and reconnect with great friends. Parking will be available in the parking garage across from the Student Center.

2:30 p.m.  
Check-In  
Fine Arts Instructional Center, Lower Level  
Stop by to pick up your Barbeque ticket and your alumni gift!

2:30 – 5:00 p.m.  
Reception and Networking  
Science Building, Room 301  
Visit with Biology faculty, past and present, tour Eastern’s spectacular Science Building, and reconnect with alumni and friends.

5:00 p.m.  
Alumni March  
Meet outside the upper level of the Fine Arts Instructional Center  
The Class of 1966 will lead all of our alumni into the Big Tent Barbeque to continue our celebration.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.  
“Big Tent Barbeque”  
Gelsi-Young Hall Parking Lot  
Biology Alumni will have reserved tables during the Barbeque so you and your friends can continue catching up!

There is no charge for the reunion activities, courtesy of the ECSU Foundation, Inc. and the ECSU Alumni Association.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU HOME TO EASTERN!
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BIOLOGY ALUMNI RECEPTION AND REUNION

REUNION RESERVATIONS

Please complete and return this form in the enclosed self-addressed envelope by May 9, 2016. For special needs, information on accommodations, or other questions contact the Alumni Affairs office at (860) 465-5302. If it is easier for you, please email any concerns or questions to alumni@easternct.edu. Parking is available in the University Parking Garages, then follow the signs to check-in/registration in the lower level of the Fine Arts Building (for your Barbeque ticket and alumni gift).

Name ____________________________________________ Class Year ________

Name While at Eastern _____________________________________________________________

Name of Guest _________________________________________________________________

Address __________________________________________________________________________

City/Town __________________________ State ______________ Zip Code __________

Employer __________________________________________ Position __________________________

Employer Address __________________________________________________________________

Daytime Phone ___________ Evening Phone ___________ Email ____________________________

_______ Yes, I/we will attend the Biology Alumni Reunion on Saturday, May 14, 2016!

_______ No, I/we will be unable to attend the Biology Alumni Reunion on Saturday, May 14, 2016.

Please indicate for the following events, the number of persons attending, including yourself and your guest:

Note: These events are provided on a complimentary basis. There is no charge for any of the Reunion activities!

_______ Biology Program Reception (2:30 – 5:00 p.m., Science Building Room 301)

_______ Alumni March and Big Tent Barbeque (5:00 – 7:00 p.m.)

Please share any information for “Class Notes” in an upcoming edition of Eastern Magazine:

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Please share your favorite memories of your years at Eastern. (Feel free to attach additional pages):

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Return your Reunion Reservation by Monday, May 9, 2016 to:

Biology Alumni Reunion
Office of Alumni Affairs
Eastern Connecticut State University
Gelsi-Young Hall, Room 128
83 Windham Street
Willimantic, CT 06226
I/we wish to contribute to:

- The Biology Endowed Fund
- The Michael F. Gable Biology Student Assistantships
- The J. Donald McLaughlin Memorial Scholarship
- The Student Research Scholarship Fund

Method of Payment:
- Check enclosed

Please make checks payable to The ECSU Foundation, Inc.
Charge: □ VISA □ MasterCard □ Discover
Account #______________________________CSC_________
Amount to be Charged _______________ Exp. Date ______

Signature ________________________________
Print Name ________________________________
Address __________________________________

If you have already sent in your gift, please accept our thanks.