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Building the best box

Students design winning package for premium golf balls

UW-Stout packaging and graphic design students recently joined forces to meet a real-world packaging challenge for Acculine Inc., a manufacturer of golf clubs. The company invited the students to enter a competition to develop a package for their new premium line of Peerless 20/20 golf balls.

Graphic design student Jessica Kooiman and packaging students Matt Lannigan, Laszlo Titkos and Chris Kidd received the bronze award in the competition out of some 50 other entries. The National Paperbox Association and the Paperbox Industry Foundation host this National Student Design Competition each year. UW-Stout students have received both silver and bronze awards for their designs for the past several years.

Meeting the criteria

Students in instructor Claire Sand's consumer packaging course and Nagesh Shinde's packaging graphics course collaborated in teams to create numerous designs for the competition. Each team sketched out several ideas and developed, presented and critiqued three prototypes to reach a final prototype to enter into the competition.

Acculine's specific charge to the students was to design a folding paperboard carton that would offer adequate protection to the product, reduce post-consumer waste, pack and display easily, and contain at least six balls to minimize cost. While taking all these factors into consideration, the students were also instructed to create packages and graphics that convey quality, accuracy, exclusivity, uniqueness, vision and excellence.

Graphic design student Will Eckhoff said his team's diamond-shaped design fits well with Acculine's Peerless 20/20 marketing theme. "They want to show that their product is unlike any other, because the balls are 20 percent more accurate and travel 20 yards shorter. It's quality verses quantity," he said.

Graphic design student Sarah Osborn said her team wanted to project accuracy and movement with their circular package design.

"Our ultimate goal was to design something that stands out from all the other designs, just like the product stands apart from its competitors," added teammate Katy Wild.

"I am always amazed that although each team is working on the same challenges, each comes up with a different solution. Seeing that there is more than one design to meet a packaging challenge helps students become more flexible in their approach," said Sand.

Gelling two realms

In previous years, Shinde and Sand spread the student project out across the entire semester. This time they asked the teams to focus on the project for just three weeks.

"This short, intense focus resulted in more polished package designs," said Sand.

When Sand worked in the packaging industry in the early 1990s, packages were often designed, she said, without graphic design input. Since then, the level of cooperation between graphic design and packaging professionals has dramatically increased. This collaboration encourages packaging professionals to explore further possibilities, she said.

"When they work alongside graphic design students, packaging students are more willing to try something that they otherwise might have deemed impossible," said Sand.

Shinde pointed out that this experience will help his design students prepare to work in an increasingly global marketplace where designers must have a diverse set of skills. "These interdisciplinary collaborative projects provide a platform for idea exchange," he said.

Real-world experience

Shinde and Sand expect that the work the students did for the NPBA competition will make them more marketable as they search for jobs. The students agreed that solving a problem for a real-life company like Acculine will have an important impact on their future careers.

"This was the first packaging experience I have had that felt so real to me," said Titkos.

"These interdisciplinary collaborative projects provide a platform for idea exchange."

Nagesh Shinde



Students (l to r) Joey Lynn Komenec, Katy Wild, Ben Lancette and Sarah Osborn exhibit their circular design for Acculine's new premium line of Peerless 20/20 golf balls.



Students (l to r) Jessica Kooiman, Chris Kidd, Matt Lannigan and Laszlo Titkos demonstrate the golf ball package they designed and produced. The National Paperbox Association awarded the students a bronze award for their prototype.

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The way of the future

Innovative digital lab methods enhance student experience

When they began their fascination with chemistry as undergrads, Marty Ondrus' and John Crandall's most important data analysis tools were slide rules. Now, more than 30 years into their careers as instructors, their tools include laptops and a wireless network. But then, they have never been the sort to shun new tools.

First, they switched to mechanical and electronic calculators. As those calculators got smaller, more portable and less expensive, they gradually introduced themselves to computers—from punch card mainframes to the Tandy TRS80, to the Apple IIe and IBMs, and finally to the small but powerful laptops they use today.

New lab methods

As UW-Stout launched its digital environment, the chemistry department readily volunteered to create a section of freshmen chemistry for e-Scholar students. "We thought we should take the technology seriously, because it is the way of the future," said Ondrus, who is the chair of the department.

Fortunately, Ondrus had learned about innovative laboratory methods at a Wisconsin Society of Science Teachers Convention, where a presenter demonstrated software and tools that record and graph data during experiments.

Crandall then developed lab experiments that require students to use software with special sensors to collect data. Their laptops automatically graph the information as they collect it.

"In the old days, gathering it would take more time, and we would never get such continuous, accurate data," said Ondrus.

Chemistry students use a variety of data collection tools during laptop experiments, including a conduc-

tivity probe, a spectrometer, a pH sensor, a heart rate monitor and a temperature sensor.

The software not only helps students analyze the data, but also helps them create lab reports and replay the data collection at various speeds.

"think and work"

As the university begins to measure how laptops add value to the students' total experience, Ondrus isn't convinced these new methods help his students learn the concepts of chemistry better.

"It is hard for me to determine how much more they are learning. I don't know how to measure this yet," he said. "Laptops are wonderful, and we use them in any way we can, but students still have to think and work."

Although some of the old methods are just as effective in teaching chemistry concepts, Ondrus pointed out that the technology has made some of them obsolete.

For example, students no longer need to plot data by hand on graph paper, because the software does it for them in real time. "If they understand what the graph is showing them, the actual process of creating a graph is only busy work," he said.

Crandall acknowledged that the technology has the potential to open "new opportunities for understanding," but ironing out technical troubles can detract from what his students learn.

"Instead of focusing on the science that is occurring, at times the user is involved in troubleshooting behaviors. While both are important, I would rather have students analyzing the results of an experiment and the experimental protocol than analyzing computer-related problems," said Crandall.



Software helps chemistry students use their laptops to collect, graph and analyze data, create lab reports and replay the data collection at various speeds.

Virtual experiments

Crandall expects a time will come when students will learn basic concepts of chemistry through online "virtual labs" at a minimal cost. "Cleverly designed virtual laboratory experiments have the advantages of being safe, accessible 24/7, rapidly repeatable and could even be designed to incorporate a variety of commonly encountered errors that require procedural problem-solving activities," he explained.

Ondrus is beginning to move a bit in this direction by incorporating film clips of experiments into PowerPoint lectures that he puts on UW-Stout's e-Scholar portal for his students to view.

According to Ondrus, projecting movie demonstrations of experiments in class is beneficial to his students. "I could perform those experiments in class, but students in the back could not see as well. Also, some experiments are too dangerous to conduct in the classroom," he said.

"Laptops are wonderful, and we use them in any way we can, but students still have to think and work."

Marty Ondrus

Building international friendships

Program helps international students experience American life beyond the university

Currently, approximately 110 international students from some 32 countries are living on or near the UW-Stout campus. To help these students become more comfortable in our community, the Office of International Education organizes a friendship host program.

Unlike typical international high school home stays, international students involved in the friendship host program do not live with their host.

"Being a friendship host isn't a lot of work or a huge time commitment. It is really just opening yourself to a guest from another country. What you put into it, you gain tenfold," said Vickie Kuester, who runs the program.

The program offers international students the opportunity to experience firsthand American life beyond the university. They see American homes, eat regional food and take part in family customs. Having a host family also helps the students speak English more comfortably.

In addition, friendship hosts help students navigate the community. Most international students do not have vehicles. Since Menomonie does not have a bus system, they find it difficult to travel to the north side of town to purchase personal items.

"A host is someone to call on when they need assistance, or when they just feel like getting out of the dorm environment for a while," said Kuester, who is associate director of International Education.

Kuester pairs the students and hosts based on the interests and needs of both. International students who wish to have a friendship host fill out an application form, listing their field of study, special interests and when

they would be available to visit with their friendship host. They also write down anything about themselves or their country that they think their host should know, such as dietary restrictions, customs or their religions. People who want to host international students fill out a similar form.

Donna Otto, UW-Stout Human Resources, and her husband, Jerry, hosted Pallavi Joyappa, a student from India who recently earned her master's degree.

Besides taking Joyappa shopping for necessities, the Ottos took her strawberry picking and out to eat at local fish fries. They also included her in holiday family events.

"Christmas was unfamiliar to her, because she is Hindu. But, we had a lot of fun. She was so appreciative of all the decorations and gifts we gave her to open. Christmas is the only holiday I decorate for, so I go a little crazy," said Otto, laughing.

Through their friendship with Joyappa, the Ottos became acquainted with many other international students. In fact, five of them joined their family for Thanksgiving. They also attended various ethnic meals together.

Before Joyappa graduated, Otto put together a cookbook of regional and all-American recipes for the students. The book contained a chocolate chip cookie recipe that Joyappa requested, and the recipe for the marshmallow angel pie they made after they went strawberry picking.

Otto said she has benefited just as much as Joyappa has from their friendship. Spending time with Joyappa has taught her a great deal about Indian culture.



(L to r) International students Mariko Tada, Krongkaew (Kelly) Kiattkul, Pallavi Joyappa and Dhivya Balasubramanian proudly display the eleven pails of strawberries they picked with Joyappa's host, Donna Otto (second from right).

For example, Otto was surprised to learn that Joyappa's marriage will likely be arranged for her. "It is possible for her to choose someone herself, but it would have to be someone from her community in India," she said.

Otto said Joyappa's attitude and courage have inspired her to seek new experiences. She is impressed that Joyappa traveled overseas to further her education, knowing she could not go home whenever she wanted to. "Pallavi is very brave. She came here, not knowing anyone, at the age of 23. Up until that time, she had lived at home," she said.

Helping new students excel

Stout's First-Year Advising Program eases college transition

To increase student success, improve student retention and enhance advising effectiveness, UW-Stout's Advisement Center recently initiated the First-Year Advising Program. As a result, seven first-year advisers helped approximately 1,300 freshmen with their college transition.

The new advisers worked with freshmen until spring advisement day, at which time the students transitioned to a faculty adviser in their academic program.

"We want freshmen to be informed members of the Stout community. By the time we handed them over to their program directors on advisement day, they knew how to register for courses, track down resources, make connections and set expectations," said Shirley Murphy, associate dean of students and director of the Advisement Center.

Addressing concerns

In the past, surveyed students and alumni have expressed low satisfaction with advisement. Also, UW-Stout's first-year retention rate has been declining in recent years. For example, approximately one quarter of the 2002-03 freshman class did not return to UW-Stout in the fall of 2003.

These facts spurred the university to develop a First-Year Advising Program with the following goals:

- increase first-year retention rates
- improve the quality of the first-year experience
- provide first-year students with consistent information
- develop responsible, informed students
- raise graduation rates

The new program also responds to increased instructor and program director workloads by taking some of the pressure to get new students up to speed off the shoulders of program advisers.

The new program will be evaluated in several ways. Student Web-based assessments will let the Advisement Center know how the program can further meet student needs. Retention, probation and dismissal rates will also be compared to those in previous years.

Immediate connection

Student participation in the first adviser meeting on Labor Day afternoon was overwhelmingly positive. Close to 1,200 freshmen met their first-year adviser to learn about important campus procedures, policies and resources.

"Research has shown that if they make a formal connection with the university within the first four to six weeks, they will be more likely to stay. By meeting their advisers so early in the semester, they gained a go to person who can help them transition and get the information they need," said Murphy.

All first-year students have a minimum of eight contacts with their adviser, including several face-to-face meetings. In addition, timely e-mails and e-Scholar portal announcements alerted first-year students to important dates, policies, resources and services. Advisers and students are also using the new advisement section of the portal to access program plans, degree audits, test results and course sequencing.

Common experience

First-year students also participated in a common reading experience, called "Into the Book." During the summer, incoming freshmen read "Into the Wild" by Jon Krakauer. During fall orientation, 1,065 of these freshmen participated in faculty- and staff-led discussion groups.

"The program was declared a resounding success and will be continued next year," said Murphy.

Early intervention

To be more proactive about meeting student needs, the Advisement Center asked first-year students to take the College Student Inventory, a nationally recognized instrument created by Noel-Levitz. CSI measures a number of retention related areas, including academic motivation, general coping skills and receptivity to support services.

First-year advisers met with freshmen during the first four weeks of class to review key concerns with them and to make specific recommendations to get students started on the right path.

"Instead of waiting for a student's poor academic performance to trigger an intervention, CSI allows us to help them identify potential problems before they occur," said Murphy.

The Advisement Center now has computer training modules that help students with specific issues identified by CSI. For example, if the instrument indicates that a student needs assistance with taking tests, the adviser may point the student to a computer training session designed to increase test-taking skills.



Student Chad Johnson has a face-to-face meeting with his first-year adviser, Joann Deml. All first-year students now have a minimum of eight contacts with their advisers during their first two semesters at UW-Stout.

The center's online academic skills program also assists students with time management, listening and note taking, reading, stress management, test taking, goal setting and motivation.

A career that fits

Responsibility for all students who remain undecided about their major was also transferred to the Advisement Center, where a proactive approach is being taken to direct the students to a career.

Advisers strongly encourage students who have not declared a major to choose one by the end of their third semester. They will also suggest the student take a one-credit career exploration seminar.

During this quarter-semester class, students learn more about their strengths and career possibilities by taking three career assessments, conducting informational interviews, learning about the majors at UW-Stout and talking with employers about marketable skills. They then meet with the instructor to review what they have learned and receive guidance.

"The most important factor is finding a major that fits. Hopefully, it is here at UW-Stout, but if it isn't, we will help them find it. For them to stay here for three years and not make any progress would be a tremendous waste of resources," said Murphy.

"We want freshmen to be informed members of the Stout community."

Shirley Murphy

Bug control

UW-Stout group raises beetles to restore campus wetland

Lynn Peterson, director of grounds maintenance at UW-Stout, has a problem with the invasive plant purple loosestrife. As the president of Prairie Enthusiasts and a former Department of Natural Resources wildlife technician, she is familiar with how the plant has overrun the wetlands of 70 of Wisconsin's 72 counties. So, when she found it in a small diverse wetland on the south side of the UW-Stout campus, she decided to bug it to death.

Peterson, with the help of UW-Stout grounds staff and four students in UW-Stout instructor Krista James' biology class, raised *Galerucella* beetles that are natural enemies of purple loosestrife.

"The DNR has done extensive research to ensure that the bugs will not destroy other plants. So far, they seem to live solely on purple loosestrife," said Peterson.

Students Kara Duckett, Tiffany Grabow, Carolyn Joseph and Erin Churchill began the project by helping Peterson pull 10 loosestrife plants out of the wetland.

The group then potted the plants in their natural soil and placed them in a makeshift wetland to grow.

Next, the students sewed nets to put over the pots, using a fine mesh material provided by the DNR. Once the plants grew approximately two-feet tall, the DNR sent Peterson 100 *Galerucella* beetles.

By releasing 10 beetles into each netted plant, the university ended up with roughly one hundred times the original population within six to eight weeks, said Peterson. Some of the adult *Galerucella* beetles were set loose in the university's loosestrife infested wetland. The rest were given to the DNR to be used in other state wetlands.

Purple loosestrife, which was once a garden plant native to Europe and Asia, has spread rapidly across the Midwest during the past 20 years. The plant chokes waterways and threatens native plants and wildlife. Since the mid-1990s, the DNR has lead a program to rid the state of this invasive plant.



Biology students (l to r) Carolyn Joseph, Tiffany Grabow and Kara Duckett work with student grounds keeper Matt Harambasic to pull up and pot purple loosestrife plants in a campus wetland.

Munching on methane

UW-Stout researchers study environmentally friendly bacteria

A UW-Stout research team is studying peat bog bacteria that slow global warming by eating methane, a potent greenhouse gas.

According to Stephen Nold, UW-Stout associate professor of biology, methane producing peat lands cover an enormous portion of the Northern hemisphere, including large areas of Canada and Siberia. In fact, approximately six million acres of Minnesota are covered by these wetlands.

"By reducing the amount of methane released to the atmosphere by peat bogs, these bacteria are one of trillions of different organisms and processes making human life on Earth possible," noted Jess Kane, a recent UW-Stout business administration graduate and member of the research team.

The bacteria studied by the team convert methane into carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas that is much less potent, but still important in global warming. The team hopes that a better understanding of this process may someday lead to the control of methane production.

"We need to know more about these environmentally friendly bacteria," said Nold. "We want them to stick around, and to keep eating. If they disappear, global warming will accelerate."

Supported by a National Science Foundation CAREER grant, Nold's research team is developing new ways to identify the methane-eating bacteria. To do this, they conduct field research in peat bogs in Bena, Minn., and in the Trout Lake Station in Wisconsin's Vilas County. Up to their knees in water and peat, they study the bacteria's habitat and take core samples that they later analyze in the lab.

The team is comparing the core samples taken from the two different sites, which, Nold said, are strikingly

different. The peat bog in Minnesota is nutrient poor and contains very few plant species, while the Wisconsin site provides more nutrients and is home to a much larger variety of plants.

"We want to answer some important questions, such as what controls the organism's ability to consume methane? And, what would happen if their environment becomes warmer or more nutrient rich?" said Nold.

Nold involves undergraduates in his research because he feels that the thrill of scientific discovery can change their lives.

Researcher Brooke Miller, an applied science major, said the research opportunity has indeed been a powerful experience, pushing her to rethink her intended career path. "I like being able to do hands-on things like research, instead of just sitting in a classroom," she said. "It is also exciting to try to make a difference in the world."

Researcher Laura Schultz, a former UW-Stout lab technician and a 2001 graduate of UW-Stout's business program, agreed that the peat land research pushed her to expand her abilities, including presenting research at scientific conferences.

Schultz now attends graduate school and aspires to be a project manager for a biotech firm. "This experience has completely changed my outlook on my career. I have a lot more faith in my abilities," she said.

In addition, the team will have the unique opportunity to publish scientific papers about their research. Michele Zwolinski, UW-Stout's first post-doctorate teaching scholar, is supervising the undergraduates' research and works with them to write the professional articles.

The NSF grant that supports the research also helps



Michelle Zwolinski, UW-Stout's first post-doctorate teaching scholar, and student Mark Holtan collect peat bog samples in Northern Wisconsin.

Nold and Zwolinski apply the same type of hands-on, small group cooperative learning in their classrooms. As the result of attending grant-supported workshops, they design collaborative ways for students to solve problems with little instructor intervention.

"By doing this, the students learn on their own initiative," said Nold.

For example, to teach the history of microbiology, Zwolinski instructs small groups of students to each write a newspaper article about an important historical figure in the discipline as if they were reporters living during that time. Each group then posts their article on a Web site for the other groups to read.

According to Zwolinski, this type of project allows more students to succeed. "Only a few students actually learn best by listening to a lecture and taking notes," she explained.

For more information about the research team's activities, visit their Web site at <http://www.uwstout.edu/biology/nold>.

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Brooke Miller

Community connection

Program broadens students' off-campus opportunities

UW-Stout student Emily Breheim feels more connected to the Menomonie community since she began working for an area nonprofit organization. When she first began college, Breheim said she mostly participated in activities that involved people on or around the campus.

That changed when Breheim became a second-shift caseworker for the Bridge to Hope, Menomonie's domestic violence and sexual assault shelter. Since then, she has interacted with people from all over the area, has spoken to a variety of local groups and has taken interest in other community organizations.

"The Bridge has helped 330 clients this year," said Breheim, who is majoring in family and consumer sciences education. "Before working at The Bridge, I never really knew how many lives were affected by domestic violence. It happens to people from all income levels, and has an overwhelming impact on a child's life and self-esteem," she added.

Locating jobs

Breheim connected with her job through the Job Locator and Development Program initiated by the UW-Stout Financial Aid Office during the 2000-01 academic year. The program broadens off-campus job opportunities for all students regardless of their financial need.

The JLD Program also gets students more active in the community, encouraging them to find jobs that solve problems related to the particular needs of area residents, said Christine Enger, assistant director of Financial Aid.

The U.S. Department of Education's Federal Work-Study Program allows UW-Stout to allocate a small portion of work-study funds to help students who do

not qualify for on-campus work-study jobs. This helps Financial Aid staff coordinate connections between students and employers, and post a list of submitted job announcements near their office and on the Web.

The program has grown considerably since its first year of operation, when 39 students received jobs, earning approximately \$220,000 in wages. During the 2002-03 academic year, the program jumped to 147 job placements, with student earnings totaling more than \$780,000.

For area businesses and nonprofit organizations, JLD provides a ready source of workers for affordable wages. Many of the students take seasonal, part-time or second shift positions that employers have trouble filling, said Enger. The jobs range from home health care work and radio announcers to dishwashers and camp counselors.

"Students play an integral part in community businesses and organizations," said Enger.

Personal service

Private individuals who are looking for a variety of personal services, including elderly care, childcare, landscaping and home repair, also hire students.

"We want to get the word out about this service, because we think many private community members are looking for people who can help them with their specific needs," said Enger.

For example, an elderly person called the office looking for students who could move firewood from his yard to his basement, and to pile it. "That same day we found students who were willing to do that for him," said Enger.

Real-world exposure

The JLD program also helps students like Breheim gain a deeper understanding of their area of study through exposure to real-world problems.

"This job is a big wake up call for the students we hire, because they have to face hard issues. Still, they come here with an interest in helping people, and really grow into the position. They end up giving and caring more than they expected," said Narda Gordillo, The Bridge to Hope's shelter manager.

Breheim said her counseling experience at The Bridge was a great help to her as she completed an internship at Menomonie High School. "Many times we make snap decisions about people we first meet. Now, I stop and think. If my students are not doing their homework, I do not automatically think they are lazy. Now, I wonder what could be going on in their life," she said.

Above average

Each year, the Financial Aid Office tracks the results of the JLD Program by surveying employers who use the service. "Employers responses are overwhelmingly positive," said Enger.

Nearly all of the employers surveyed in 2003 indicated an above average level of satisfaction with their student employees' work ethics and abilities. All of the employers reported that they would hire UW-Stout students again.



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Making News

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People You Know

Ken Welty, communication, education and training, received the Silvius-Wolansky Outstanding Young Industrial Teacher Educator Award from the National Association of Industrial and Technical Teachers, recognizing him for his leadership and outstanding contributions.

Lynnette Brouwer, hospitality and tourism, was awarded a Fulbright appointment for the 2003-04 academic year by the William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. She taught leadership and management courses at the East-Siberian State Technological University in the Russian Federation.

Lisa Walter, security and police services, graduated from the FBI-National Academy, a 10-week program of advanced investigative, management and fitness training for select law enforcement officers.

Jen Sartin, housing and residence life, was awarded the Randy Thrush Award at the annual conference of the Wisconsin College Personnel Association for her demonstrated leadership and service.

Susan Foxwell, director of Research Services-Stout Solutions, received UW System's 2003 Academic Staff Regents Award for Excellence for her leadership and support of UW-Stout's research enterprise.

Howard Lee, school of education, was named Administrator of the Year by The Wisconsin Association for Career and Technical Education for his leadership in new initiatives, accomplishments in the field, and impact on students and the community.

Kari Dahl, communications, education and training, was named UW-Stout's interim People Process Culture chair to uphold the PPC's mission to promote ethical leadership skills.

Laura McCullough, biology; **William DeHoff**, art and design; **Donald Baughman**, psychology; **Judy Rommel**, human development and family studies; **Leonard Bogner**, communication, education and training; and **Thor Burntvedt**, business, received UW-Stout's Outstanding Teaching Awards.

Lucy Nicolai, Memorial Student Center, and **Jeff Burton**, Academic Custodial, received UW-Stout's Outstanding Service Staff awards. University Recreation received the Outstanding Service Office Award. Staff members in this office include **Lori Anda-Bowen**, **Holly DeMarce**, **Kristine Patterson** and **Bruce Saxman**.

Jill Stanton, education, school counseling and school psychology, received UW-Stout's 2002-03 Diversity Award to recognize her for teaching students multiculturalism and cross-cultural field experiences; leading campus, state and national committees; sponsoring multicultural student groups; and working with the Lac du Flambeau community.

UW-Stout's e-Scholar portal Web site was selected as the Member Site to See by the Association of College and University Telecommunications Professionals based on its content delivery, timeliness, ease of use, accessibility and graphic appeal.

Carolyn Barnhart, food systems and technology program director, received the 2003 American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Leaders Award for her involvement and leadership.

Gary S. Godfrey, technology, was chosen by the NASA Faculty Fellowship Program at the Kennedy Space Center to conduct numerous computer-modeling projects for a two-year research residency.

Promotions in rank and tenure

Promotions in rank and tenure designations for UW-Stout faculty and staff members were announced by Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen, following action by the UW System Board of Regents.

Promoted to professor are **Joseph Benkowski** and **David Johnson**, communications, education and training; **Hector Cruz**, education, school counseling and school psychology; **Sheri Klein**, Stout Solutions; **Robert Peters** and **Gary Rockwood**, rehabilitation and counseling; **Benjamin Pratt**, art and design; and **Carol Seaborn**, food and nutrition.

Promoted to associate professor are **Christopher Bendel** and **Diane Christie**, mathematics, statistics and computer science; **Stephen Nold** and **Ann Parsons**, biology; **Nancy Schofield** and **Scott Springer**, technology; and **Stephen Shumate**, rehabilitation and counseling.

Christie, Benkowski and **Johnson** received tenure as well. Tenure designation was also awarded to **Steven Deckelman**, mathematics, statistics and computer science; **Stephanie Graber**, speech communication, foreign languages, theatre and music; **Bruce Maylath**, English and philosophy; **Forrest Schultz**, chemistry; **Kristina Gorbatenko-Roth**, psychology; **Jacalyn Weissenburger**, education, school counseling and school psychology; **H. Steve Cole**, business; **David Fly**, technology; and **Steven Schlough**, communications, education and training.

Sabbaticals granted

Sabbaticals for 11 UW-Stout faculty members were approved by the UW System Board of Regents for the 2004-05 academic year. Those on leave for the first semester are **Brian Bergquist**, hospitality and tourism; **Rita Christoffersen**, technology; **Janette Hare**, human development and family studies; **Howard Lee**, School of Education; **Don Olson**, technology; **Howard Parkhurst**, School of Education; and **Robert Schuler**, English and philosophy.

The board awarded second semester sabbaticals to **Danny Bee**, technology; and **Amy Gillett**, School of Education. Full-year sabbaticals were granted to **Jafar Jafari**, hospitality and tourism; and **Richard Tafalla**, psychology.

The Regents grant sabbaticals to recognize and enhance teaching efforts and excellence. To be eligible for a sabbatical, faculty members must have completed six or more years, or the equivalent, of full-time instructional service to the system; have not taken a sabbatical during the previous six years; and agree to return to the institution for at least one following year.

New residence hall planned

Construction for a new residence hall on UW-Stout's north campus is slated to break ground this spring as the first phase of implementation of the North Campus Master Plan.

Over a 10- to 15 year period, the North Campus Master Plan will redefine north campus, creating an innovative community that addresses the demands of today's college students.

The new building will be a 296-bed residence hall with 75 suites, each containing four single bedrooms, a kitchenette, living area and bathroom facilities.

The new hall will be built on what is currently



a parking lot west of Fleming, Hovlid and Wigen residence halls. Completion on the hall is planned for the summer of 2005, to be ready for new residents that fall.

The estimated cost of this building is \$16.6 million, which will be funded by user fees, not taxpayer dollars.

Looking Forward

We are completing another academic year at UW-Stout; a busy, challenging yet very exciting year. Our highest priority and our greatest challenge has been the budget. The state cut appropriations by 25 percent, but did allow the UW System to increase tuition by nearly 16 percent. Unfortunately, the students bear the brunt of the cut. Even though the state provided more financial aid, that too came from fees already paid by the students into designated funds; or, in the words of one official, a "cash grab." This must end if we are to provide student access to UW System schools, so essential for a healthy higher education system and for a robust economy.

We were also shocked and saddened with the tragic loss of UW-River Falls Chancellor Ann Lydecker, who was killed this spring in an automobile accident. This is a great loss to her campus and the university system.

With the bad news out of the way, there are some very positive things to report as well. Our e-Scholar initiative is going well. Student surveys show strong support for the laptop requirement. The vast majority feel that it strengthens the overall quality of their education here, and most feel the faculty have adjusted well to this new tool. Next fall will be the third year of the program, and by the fall of 2005 all 8,000 students will be part of the initiative. We made a wise decision to build a strong, dynamic infrastructure before we launched the laptop program, and that has been the critical factor in our success.

Another exciting proposal is now before the Board of Regents. We are asking that the Board give UW-Stout a statewide mission to become the access portal for the technical college graduates. We envision a seamless transfer of courses and programs between the two systems, benefiting the state by providing more individuals with baccalaureate degrees, stemming the "brain drain" and providing a well-prepared work force that can attract and keep high-paying jobs in the state.

Finally, we are engaging the campus and stakeholders in a planning process called "UW-Stout 2010." We must look forward, plan for change, and adjust our structure and programs to meet the ever-changing needs of the 21st century. We have a vision that calls for this university, your university, to maintain a leadership position in educating men and women for this century, sharpening our focus on the "Stout Technology Advantage," strengthening programs that relate directly to societal needs, and educating men and women for the civic responsibility this democracy demands.

As the UW System prepares for a leadership change with President Katharine Lyall's retirement, we are preparing to become one of the premier universities in the country.

Chancellor's Message



Charles W. Sorensen

"We must look forward, plan for change, and adjust our structure and programs to meet the ever-changing needs of the 21st century."

Academic programs receive accreditation

Several UW-Stout academic programs have been awarded accreditation in the past year, undergoing a rigorous review process that keeps them current and in line with professional and industry standards.

UW-Stout's school psychology graduate program recently received full approval from the National Association of School Psychologists. Fewer than two-thirds of the school psychology graduate programs in the nation are NASP approved.

"This means that our school psychology program has been exhaustively evaluated by professionals outside the university and has been found worthy of national-level recognition," said Jacalyn Weissenburger, director of the program.

NASP approval also ensures that graduates of the program are automatically eligible for National Certification in School Psychology.

The apparel design and development program also recently received an endorsement from the American Apparel and Footwear Association's Professional Leadership Council. This endorsement, which lasts through January 2008, includes both the pre-production and the operations course tracks of the program.

UW-Stout's apparel design and development program is one of only 13 apparel education programs that have been endorsed by AAFA, and is the only program in Wisconsin that can claim this distinction.

"Review and endorsement of the apparel program by the AAFA ensures that our graduates have the competencies that are needed by business and industry," said Rita Christoffersen, director of the program.

AAFA endorsement also allows students in the program to apply for scholarships from the association, said Christoffersen.

UW-Stout's packaging, graphic communications management and telecommunication systems programs met the National Association of Industrial Technology's rigorous standards to achieve accreditation through November 2009.

"Being reviewed by outside professionals validates what we are doing right and offers us some constructive criticism," said Steve Schlough, director of the telecommunication systems program.

"The NAIT accreditation review process is a key component in our continual quest to keep the B.S. packaging degree program relevant to our students and the companies that ultimately seek to hire them," said Ken Neuburg, director of the packaging program.

This feedback ensures that our programs will continue to be among the best in the country," said Ted Bensen, director of the graphic communications management program.

The Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute was awarded a three-year accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. SVRI services accredited by CARF are comprehensive evaluation; community employment, including job development and job site training; and both community and employment assistive technology.

According to CARF, "SVRI remains the leader in the field by providing quality services, as clearly reported by stakeholders, especially persons receiving services."

Blue Devil Report

Hall of Fame celebrates 25th year

By Layne Pitt, Sports Information Director

Five athletes from the past 40 years were inducted into the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame on Sept. 27, 2003.

Lisa Blume, who played basketball in the late 1980s, was joined by Dick Fredrickson, who played football and ran track in the early 1960s, Paul Bons, an All-American cross country and track performer in the mid-1980s, punter Andy Cafilisch, who played football in the early 1990s, and Carol (Hughes) Sanders, a prime mover in starting the women's tennis program at Stout in the mid-1970s.

The ceremony also marked the 25th anniversary of the UW-Stout Hall of Fame, and many past inductees returned for the day's festivities.

Lisa Blume

The numbers weren't fancy, but Lisa Blume was one of the cornerstones that helped the UW-Stout women's basketball program go from the conference doormat to one of the top 25 teams in Division III. A four year letterwinner from 1985-89, Blume was the team captain her junior and senior years. She was the team's most valuable player her senior year, and was named to the all-WWIAC team. Along with being named all-conference, Blume said one of her biggest thrills "was being part of a close team of athletes and the camaraderie that went with it." Statistically, her first two seasons were nothing to write home about, but she said the team continued to work hard. "During my final two seasons, we really emerged as a quality team in the conference," Blume said. "We all put in a tremendous effort and our perseverance paid off. It was thrilling to be a part of the transition to go from the bottom of the conference to becoming a contender and moving up." Upon graduation, Blume went on to a career in law enforcement in Florida and Georgia. She returned to her native Minnesota to pursue a master's degree in social work and is currently in Florida working in corporate loss prevention.



Blume

Paul Bons

From his freshman year to his senior year, Paul Bons was very cozy with all-conference awards. The distance runner from Little Chute, who still shares the top Stout eight-kilometer cross country time (24:38), earned 11 all-conference awards — four in cross country, seven in track. Bons finished 16th at the 1983 WSUC Cross Country Championships to earn second team honors, then snagged three first team finishes the rest of his career, placing fifth in 1984 as a sophomore, seventh in 1986 as a red-shirted junior and fifth in 1987 as a senior, the same year he advanced to the NAIA national championships to earn All-America status with a 14th place finish. Bons also garnered WSUC runner of the week awards in 1986 and 1987. On the track, Bons specialized in the one-mile, two-mile and 5000-meter distances. Bons took second place finishes in the 1986



Bons

two-mile indoor championships and the 1986 1500-meter outdoor meet. In one of the most exciting races in WSUC outdoor history, Bons was edged during the 1987 season in the 1500-meter (3:51.38) by Arnie Schraeder of UW-Stevens Point, who went on to run in the 1988 Olympic Games. Bons also recorded all-conference honors with a sixth place finish in the one-mile at the 1984 outdoor, a fourth in the 1500 at the 1985 outdoor, a third in the 5000-meter at the 1986 outdoor and a fourth in the 5000 at the 1987 outdoor. Bons is a member of the 4x800-meter relay team that still holds the school record.

Andy Cafilisch

Andy Cafilisch's right leg gave him the opportunity to live many a young boy's dream — participating in the National Football League. An All-America pick as a senior and a four-time all-conference punter from 1990-93, Cafilisch had tryouts with five different NFL squads throughout the mid- to late-1990s. Cafilisch earned third team All-America honors in 1993, was a second team all-conference pick in 1990 and '91 and first team in 1992 and '93. Cafilisch set a school record for punting average, 41.0 yards per punt in 1993, a record that was just recently matched. After graduation, Cafilisch, a native of River Falls, taught technology education and coached football, nordic skiing and golf at Farmington and Hastings, Minn., schools. Cafilisch was an assistant principal for two years at Stillwater, Minn., schools, and is presently the assistant principal at Woodbury High School, Woodbury, Minn.



Cafilisch

Dick Fredrickson

Called the best all-around end he ever coached by his Stout football coach Bob Bostwick, Dick Fredrickson was an outstanding two-sport athlete who went on to a long and successful career as a high school coach and educator at Arcadia High School. Fredrickson was a four year starter in football for the Blue Devils from 1959-62, and earned three track letters during that span. He set and held a school record in the 220-yard hurdles that stood for five years. Fredrickson took over as starting tight end his freshman year when the starter was injured and did not relinquish the spot for four years, earning all-conference recognition in 1960 and 1961. Fredrickson also was the starting defensive end for two years. After a year as an assistant football coach at Stout, Fredrickson began his career at Arcadia in 1964, beginning as the industrial education instructor, head boys track coach and assistant football coach. Fredrickson became the head football coach in 1971, and went on to win nine conference championships. His 1973 team was undefeated. Fredrickson's track career reads like a highlight reel. Still an active coach, Fredrickson has been at the head of the Arcadia boy's track program for 34 seasons, winning state titles in 1991, '92, '94, '95, '98 and '99, seven conference titles, 18 regional titles and



Fredrickson

has won 14 consecutive regional and sectional titles from 1990-2003. Six times Fredrickson was named the Division 6 Coach of the Year and was inducted into the Wisconsin Track Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2003. Fredrickson also served stints as Arcadia's baseball and boy's basketball coach. Including his years as an assistant and head coach, Fredrickson has coached 102 seasons. Fredrickson's son, Scott, is a member of the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame and the pair are the first father-son combination enshrined.

Carol Hughes Sanders

When Carol Sanders arrived on campus in 1976, there was no women's varsity tennis program, so she helped pull the pieces together and assemble a team. She sought the assistance of men's tennis coach Bob Smith who told Sanders, along with Sue Scarseth, Mary Guberud, and Deb Weyers, if they could find enough interested players to make up a team, he would coach them. The rest, as they say, is history. Smith used bits and pieces of his men's tennis and swim team budgets to fund a bare-bones women's tennis program. Smith coached the team in its first year, followed by Donna Roe for two years. Smith resumed the helm in Sander's senior year. Sanders, a native of Libertyville, Ill, was the team's No. 1 singles player her sophomore, junior and senior years. During her senior year, Sanders was named the team's most valuable player. The teams established a strong bond. Six members of the 1978 team — four from the original 1976 team — still get together annually. Sanders married Gordon Hughes in 1985, — their first date was on the tennis court. The couple have three children, Amy, Jeff and Sam, and reside in Glen Ellyn, Ill. In addition to volunteering at her children's schools, Sanders still dabbles in tennis, playing in local leagues, and playing tennis with her children.



Sanders

Dobrunz receives Athletic Distinguished Service Award

"Ready, willing and able" would be a good way to describe Carol Dobrunz and her relationship to the UW-Stout athletic program.



Dobrunz

Since arriving at Stout in 1965, Dobrunz has been a fixture at Blue Devil activities, even though she had no official title with the athletic program. An instructor in the physical education department, the physical education chair and associate dean of liberal studies, Dobrunz has added the unofficial titles of scorekeeper, announcer, chief cheerer and all-around helper where needed.

For her dedication to the program, Dobrunz has been awarded the UW-Stout Athletic Distinguished Service Award. "I never really did anything specifically with athletics," Dobrunz said. "I just helped where I could. I was raised where we didn't have to be paid for everything we did. We just went out and did it."

"Carol was always someone you could count on," said Rita Slinden, who relied on Dobrunz's help both as a coach and as the one-time athletic director. Dobrunz recalls that her first year at Stout the football team won the conference title, calling that one of the high-lights during her tenure here.

What she has really experienced has been the growth in women's athletics. "From the start to where they (*women's athletics*) are now is just unbelievable growth," Dobrunz said. "We can just shake our heads. It's like watching a 15-year-old compared to a two-year-old. The growth in numbers and talents of kids today is fantastic." Dobrunz, who said she enjoys all sports, has been retired since the mid-90s and enjoys playing golf and gardening.

Strop is new gridiron coach

UW-Stout went only as far as their own coaching staff to find their next head football coach.

Todd Strop, the team's defensive coordinator for the past six seasons, has been named to replace Ed Meierkort, who accepted the head coaching position at NCAA Division II University of South Dakota. Strop is the 18th head football coach at UW-Stout.

As the defensive coordinator, Strop has been the main architect of the defense that has ranked at the top of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) three of the last four years and has been nationally ranked twice. The 2002 Blue Devil defense allowed a NCAA Division III low 500 rushing yards, and was ranked 13th in overall defense.

"The head coaching position is a wide encompassing job," the 35-year-old Strop said. "The challenge will be having my handprint on all aspects of the program, not just on defense."

Meierkort coached the Blue Devils for 11 years, finishing with a 55-55 overall record. But the Blue Devils were 29-11 over the last four years, including a conference title in 2000

and had no lower than a fourth place finish in the WIAC any of those seasons.

"Ed did a great job turning this program around," Strop said. "I look forward to turning a good program into a great program. We have many things in place here at Stout — the facilities, high academics, top recruiting classes — to challenge at the national level."

Strop, who was the WIAC assistant coach of the year in 2000, worked specifically with the defensive backs and has been the team's recruiting coordinator the last five seasons.

Over Strop's tenure, the Blue Devil defense has had five All-America picks and two players that went on to play in the NFL, Jeff Hazuga with the Minnesota Vikings and Tony Beckham, who is currently playing with the Tennessee Titans.

Strop played at the University of Wisconsin from 1987-92 for present coach Barry Alvarez as a defensive back and special teams player.



Strop

From the Archives

Preserving a unique heritage

By Kevin Thorie, University Archivist

There is no doubt that the University of Wisconsin-Stout is a unique institution. It has been this way since its creation in 1891. While Stout certainly wasn't the first manual training school, it was unusual in that it was integrated with the local school system and was largely financed by one individual. From its inception, Stout earned a national reputation in the field of education.

As early as 1904, a national magazine — *The World's Work* — stated that Senator James Huff Stout had created the "Best Public Schools in the World." It was that same year that an exhibit of student projects won Stout a gold medal at the St. Louis World's Fair; the only such medal awarded in that category. Through the years Stout has continued to receive such honors—most recently the Baldrige Award.

Through the years I have heard and read many opinions that people have expressed in trying to explain just what it is that makes Stout unique. Certainly being the only university in the UW System named after an individual rather than a city is unique, but outside of the state many other institutions of higher education have been named for individuals as well. Other factors mentioned include its high employment rate and the dedication of the staff and alumni. Again, these same qualities can be found in other colleges and universities. After twenty years of digging through the university's records, the only conclusion I can draw as to why Stout is so singular in its approach to education is the example and ideas of our founder himself.

James Huff Stout was a remarkable individual whose compassion for people and causes has had few equals. There is not enough space here to describe his many accomplishments (see Dwight Agnew's book "*James Huff Stout: Maker of Models*" if you want to learn

more), but a couple of stories may shed some light on how highly Stout was viewed by his contemporaries.

Stout lived during a litigious time when lawsuits were a dime a dozen. This was especially true for rich people. Lawyers were inexpensive to hire and court costs were low, so the wealthy were targets for anyone who had a real or imagined grudge. The company Stout worked for—The Knapp, Stout & Co., Company—along with its principle owners, were sued hundreds of times. For some reason, though, James Huff Stout was not named in one lawsuit.

Something similar happened in politics. When Stout was a resident of Menomonie there were two principle newspapers; the *Dunn County News (Republican)* and the *Menomonie Times (Democrat)*. Neither of the editors had anything positive to say about one another or about the other paper's political party. The one exception is Senator Stout. It is all but impossible to find a single negative story about the man from either newspaper.

Senator Stout's implementation of hands-on training, complimented by quality classroom instruction, has continued to be the mainstay of education here. From the beginning, students were taught to work with their hands as well as their heads. Through the years there have been both internal and external attempts to change this idea, but in an almost mystical sense the university always returns to its roots. I think this is one of the reasons that Stout continues to be a unique institution.

It is because of this uniqueness that I believe it is important for the history of this institution to be preserved. That, in part, is the role of the university archives. The archives preserves paper documents (*diaries, correspondence, meeting minutes, brochures, and the like*) and photographs. We are, though, unable to handle the artifacts that have been created as a result of

this hands-on education. Recognizing the importance of preserving such things, a group has organized in an effort to create a Stout museum.

What was to become known as the Stout Historical Association (SHA) began in early 2002 when a group of alumni, and retired and current university personnel began to meet with the goal in mind of establishing a Stout historical museum. The group proposed to display such items as drawings, photographs, documents, curricula, equipment and student projects to explain the vision, philosophy and innovation that made UW-Stout a leader in higher education.

By 2003, the group began to seek formal non-profit status. After exploring a number of options — including incorporating as a stand-alone organization, or as a group within the Stout University Foundation or the university itself—the Association entered into a mutually beneficial relationship with the Dunn County Historical Society (DCHS). The two historical groups' goals are nearly identical, though the SHA is more narrowly focused on the history of UW-Stout.

As part of the Society, the SHA will assist with exhibit space in the Russell J. Rassbach Heritage Museum in Menomonie that is devoted to James Huff Stout and the institution he founded. In return, the Stout group will greatly benefit from the professional expertise of museum staff.

The SHA also hopes to create exhibits at various locations on the Stout campus in addition to a "virtual museum" that would be available online to alumni who are unable to return to Menomonie in person.

I encourage Stout alumni to consider participation in the SHA's museum project by donating artifacts (*see below*) and joining the organization.



Vision Statement

To discover, preserve, interpret and disseminate knowledge of the history of University of Wisconsin-Stout and its impact on education and society.

Museum and Displays

Stout Historical Association exhibits will initially be located in the Dunn County Historical Society's Rassbach Heritage Museum, located in Wakanda Park in North Menomonie. From Highway 25 (exit #41 south from I-94) turn east on Pine Avenue and proceed into the park past Wakanda Elementary School and the Water Park. Turn left on Game Park Drive, then left on Wakanda Street.

Russell J. Rassbach Heritage Museum

1820 Wakanda Street
Menomonie, Wisconsin 54751
715/232-8685

Hours: Memorial Day through Labor Day – Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Winter – Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Noon to 4 p.m.

Contribute to the museum

As part of the Dunn County Historical Society, the Stout Historical Association will assist with exhibits about the university for public view at the society's Heritage Museum in Menomonie, Wisconsin as well as on the Stout website and on campus.

The SHA seeks donations of physical objects or class projects made by students such as:

- ▶ Woodwork Projects
- ▶ Metalwork Projects
- ▶ Handmade Tools
- ▶ Sewing Projects
- ▶ Drawings and other Artwork
- ▶ Course Textbooks and Notebooks

The SHA also encourages donations to the University Archives of:

- ▶ Papers
- ▶ Diaries and Journals
- ▶ Correspondence
- ▶ Photographs
- ▶ Brochures/Programs

More information on donating these items is available from:

Area Research Center
Library Learning Center
University of Wisconsin-Stout
Menomonie, WI 54751

Telephone: 715/232-2300
E-mail: thoriek@uwstout.edu
Fax: 715/232-1783

Donations to the Association of these items, as well as financial contributions, can be made through:

Stout Historical Association
c/o Dunn County Historical Society
PO Box 437
Menomonie, WI 54751
715/232-8685

More information on donating these and other items, and joining the SHA is available from:

Website: www.uwstout.edu/history/sha
E-mail: sha@uwstout.edu

General information about UW-Stout's history, including previous editions of this column are online at:
www.uwstout.edu/history



Stout Foundation Report

Three join board



Chan



Geurink



Kronforst

Three new members were appointed to the Stout University Foundation Board of Directors at the annual meeting on September 27, 2003.

President Steve VandeBerg '75 welcomed Phyllis Wong Chan, C.P.A. '75, vice president, Citibank, New York, NY; Charles Geurink '66, senior vice president—West Territory, Marshall Erdman & Associates, Madison, Wis.; and Sherrie Winger Kronforst '84, senior management consultant, Right Management Consultants, Edina, Minn.

Chan graduated with a degree in hotel and restaurant management, and then went on to earn a M.B.A. with a concentration in accounting and taxation from New York University. She has more than 25 years of experience in the financial services industry. Chan started her career with Deloitte, Haskins and Sells, a public accounting firm, and later moved on to Salomon Brothers. She has been employed by Citigroup/Citibank for the past 22 years and has experience ranging from operations unit head to financial control senior analyst.

Geurink earned his bachelor's degree in technology education. He joined Marshall Erdman & Associates in 1977 as a project director responsible for the design and construction of medical office buildings and clinics. Geurink then went on to become the Dallas regional manager with responsibility for all regional operations. He was promoted to senior vice president in 2002, and currently oversees the company's business development operations in the West.

Kronforst graduated with a degree in hotel and restaurant management and then went on to get her master's degree in human resource development at the University of St. Thomas. Her professional career spans more than 20 years and encompasses leadership experience in human resource management, adult education and business operations. As a senior consultant with Right Management Consultants, Kronforst practices in both the career transition and organizational consulting areas of the business. She serves as an external HR consultant partnering with Fortune 100-500 organizations.

Sigma Lambda Chi construction scholarship

The Sigma Lambda Chi Scholarship was established to recognize outstanding students in the field of construction. The society offers students

the opportunity to be recognized locally and internationally for their academic accomplishments as construction majors.

Anonymous donor scholarship

This scholarship was established by a Stout graduate who understands the value of a university degree. The scholarship is awarded

to a construction major who has an interest in commercial construction.

Michael and Sandra Wiemerslage Chopin scholarship

Mike '69 and Sandy Chopin '69 met at Stout where they spent some of their best years, established many lasting friendships, and received a valuable education that led to their lifelong dream of teaching. Sandy taught family and consumer education for 20 years at Monona Grove Schools, and Mike taught in the automotive department of Madison Area Technical College for 27 years. Many of Mike's students

had to work full time, which brought on additional hardships and challenges. The Chopins have established this scholarship to assist students continuing their MATC education at UW-Stout.



Michael and Sandra Chopin

Foundation undergoing several changes

One constant in this world...change is inevitable. Many of you are aware of Patricia Reisinger's retirement from UW-Stout as assistant chancellor for Development and Alumni Services. We are grateful to Pat for the many years of leadership she has given to the university, foundation, alumni and friends.

In times of change, it is beneficial to review an organization. To accomplish that, a consultant met with the staff of the Foundation Office, a

President's Message



Steve VandeBerg

number of board members, university personnel and alumni. Upon review of the consultant's report, the chancellor will appoint a committee to assist in the hiring of an assistant chancellor for Development and Alumni Services.

Also on a positive note, the recovery in 2003 of the stock market has been a factor in an increase in the value of the Foundation's endowment. A feeling of confidence in the stock market is demonstrated in donor contributions, as indicated by the number of new scholarships.

As president of the Foundation Board of Directors, I would like to personally thank our donors, alumni and friends for their continued support of our university and students. I would also like to welcome our most recent members to the Foundation Board of Directors. We are looking forward to working with you.

House Specialties scholarship

In 1981, House Specialties Inc. was created by Deanna and George House to publish cookbooks written by Deanna. This scholarship honors the four cookbooks that are part of the House Specialties series.

The scholarship will be awarded to a junior or senior majoring in food systems and technology; dietetics; hotel, restaurant and tourism

management or education.

Read more about House Specialties, Inc. on page 14.



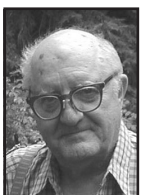
George and Deanna House

Gustave B. Swanson technology education scholarship

Graduating in 1952 with a B.S. in technology education and in 1957 with a M.S. in vocational education, Gus Swanson spent 30 years teaching industrial arts at both the high school and junior college levels.

Swanson, who is committed to assuring young students have an opportunity to learn the trades, has established this scholarship to

assist UW-Stout students pursuing their education to become teachers. Special consideration is given to a tradesperson returning to school to obtain a technology education degree.



Swanson

Chippewa Valley Home Builders Association scholarship

During the past two years when the national economy was struggling, the home building industry helped carry our nation through these tough economic times. The Chippewa Valley Home Builders Association (CVHBA) realizes the importance education plays in the construction industry. CVHBA hopes that by partnering

with UW-Stout in providing scholarship funds, they will be helping tomorrow's business trades employees and future business owners.

Mary Kay Rossmeier endowed education scholarship

Mary Kay Rossmeier was a dedicated junior high school teacher for 34 years. She died after a valiant 11-year struggle with breast cancer. Having attained a B.S. in 1967 and a M.S. in 1973 from UW-Stout, Rossmeier's

wish was to help other individuals committed to education.



Rossmeier



Left to right: Ervin Kamm, Mark Burwell, Steve Hoisington, Dave Konkol, Scott Cabot and Bob Meyer, dean of the College of Technology, Engineering and Management. Missing from photo is Roy Bauer.

Cabot Executive Residency 20th anniversary celebration

The University of Wisconsin-Stout recently celebrated a 20-year connection with business and industry leaders through the Arthur A. Cabot Executive Residency program.

A generous donation from UW-Stout alumnus Scott Cabot allows the university to bring a successful business executive to campus to interact with students and instructors for one day each year. Since the Cabot Executive Residency program began in 1984, numerous business people from such companies as McDonald's Corporation, General Motors and Mead Corporation have visited the campus to attend student presentations, speak to classes, consult with instructors, meet with student groups and deliver keynote addresses.

Several of the executives who have visited the campus as Cabot residents in the past 20 years returned to campus on March 24 to take part in a leadership panel discussion. Executive panelists included Scott Cabot B.S. '78, M.S. '79, Vanguard Consulting Group; Steven Hoisington '78, Johnson Controls Inc.; Ervin Kamm, Paper, Calmenson and Co.; Mark Burwell '73, Putzer Menswear; David Konkol '84, David Konkol Homes Inc.; and Roy Bauer '67, Pemstar Inc.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to show these executives what UW-Stout has to offer as a hands-on, minds-on university," said Kari Dahl, UW-Stout's interim People Process Culture Chair.

According to Dahl, the Cabot celebration involved as many students on campus as possible. For example, students in the graphic communications program produced the printed materials for the event. Also, students in Dahl's People Process Culture course videotaped the event and acted as personal guides to the returning Cabot residents.

"This gives students extensive one-to-one contact with the executives," said Dahl.

The returning Cabot executives attended breakfast with Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen and the UW-Stout Leadership Team. Throughout the day, they also spoke to students in classes that pertained to their areas of expertise.

"We want to honor leaders in business and industry by bringing them into the classroom. Our students can learn from their real-life experiences," said Dahl.

Harold and Helen Lee endowed scholarship

The Harold and Helen Lee Endowed Scholarship was established to honor Harold and Helen Lee who believed in the education of their children. Helen was a seamstress and Harold was a shipfitter and controller of planning in Hawaii. The scholarship provides support for

an undergraduate or graduate student in family and consumer sciences education, technology education or career, technical education and training.



Helen and Harold Lee

Arzoumanian/Drake endowed scholarship

Charlotte Drake '40 was Linda Luck Arzoumanian's high school home economics teacher and special mentor. Drake recommended that Linda attend Stout State University upon her graduation from Baraboo High School. A 1964 Stout graduate, Linda's career has focused on education, following Drake's example.

Serving the Office of Pima County Schools as Superintendent in Tucson, Ariz., Linda knows a scholarship may sometimes make the difference

in whether a student completes his or her education.

Combining her respect for Charlotte Drake, her commitment to higher education and wanting to give back to Baraboo High School, Linda is endowing a scholarship for a Baraboo High School graduate attending UW-Stout.



Arzoumanian

Shirley Kay Stewart memorial endowed scholarship

Shirley Stewart passed away October 25, 2003, after a four-year encounter with cancer. She received a bachelor's degree in 1970 from UW-Stout in family and consumer education. She also received a master's degree in clothing/textiles and related art in 1973 and a second master's degree in vocational rehabilitation in 1974. She earned a Ph.D. in higher education administration in 1998 from the University of Minnesota.

Shirley began her career at UW-Stout in 1973, working in many capacities for 30 years. She served on numerous committees and wrote

many federal and state grants that brought new programs and services to people with disabilities, the students and staff at UW-Stout.

This endowed scholarship was established by Shirley's husband, Bill, and her daughter, Tori, to continue Shirley's legacy of service. The scholarship will be awarded to a vocational rehabilitation/special education major.



Stewart

Shane M. Hopfensperger memorial scholarship

A 2002 graduate of the construction program, Shane Hopfensperger passed away in February of 2004. A scholarship has been established by his family through a fund within the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region. This

scholarship will provide tuition assistance to a construction major at UW-Stout.

Lands' End scholarship

Lands' End is a leading national direct merchant of classically-styled clothing for the family and products for the home. The Lands' End focus is on doing what's right for its customers as well as its employees. The Lands' End environment fosters creativity, originality and a commitment to education.

As a successful international corporation, Lands' End has the good fortune to further the development of future leaders in the retail



industry through the Lands' End Scholarship Program. Two award recipients per year shall each be entitled to a \$1,000 scholarship. The award recipients will also be encouraged to apply for a 12-week paid internship with Lands' End.

Henry Redkey endowed scholarship

After retiring from the Public Health Service, Henry Redkey brought his years of experience to Stout, teaching in the vocational rehabilitation program from 1970 to 1973 as a visiting professor.

Returning to the university in October of 2002, Henry was presented with the Distinguished Service Award from the Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute. Upon seeing the growth

in the rehabilitation program and realizing the need for qualified professionals in this field, Henry made a commitment to establish a scholarship to support a student enrolled in the vocational rehabilitation program.



Redkey

"Stone Soup" endowed scholarship

The UW-Stout Classified/Project Professional Development Endowed Scholarship or "Stone Soup" Scholarship was initiated as a result of several support staff employees setting the criteria and agreeing to contribute a small amount every pay period to this fund. The purpose of establishing the scholarship is to assist classified employees in furthering their education. Those small contributions every pay period since 1999 will result in the first award of \$250 to any classified employee meeting the specified criteria for this particular scholarship.

To be eligible, you must be employed at least half time with classified or project status, be enrolled in at least six or more credits per year, be seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree, maintain a 3.0 GPA, show financial need, and are encouraged, but not restricted, to attend UW-Stout.

Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund can contact the Stout University Foundation and arrange for a payroll deduction or payment by check.

Faculty and staff recognized



Ten years. Front row (l-r): Mike Galloy, Lisa Walter, Nancy Cirkl-Brehm, Diane Christie. Middle row (l-r): Daniel Sessions, Jill Klefstad, Susanne Johnston, Mary Evelyn Jackelen-Sterner. Back row (l-r): Renee Surdick, Dennis Shaw, Carol Seaborn, Robert Feirn, Thor Burntvedt.



Thirty years. Front row (l-r): Dawn Steinmeyer, Fred Menz. Back row (l-r): Karen Zimmerman, Michael Hunter, Norma Holzheuter.



Fifteen years. Front row (l-r): Phyllis Williams, Sarah Williamson. Row 2 (l-r): Ayob Hossain, Viola Jones, Lela Lugo, Ilse Hartung. Row 3 (l-r): Kathleen Green, Carol Mooney, Peggy Nelson, Joann Steinmeyer, Helen Swanson, Bill Wikrent. Row 4 (l-r): George Smeaton, Elbert Sorrell, Norman Zhou.



Thirty-five years. (l-r): Connie Weber, Bonnie Trimble, Yvonne Burton, Stan Johnson.



Twenty years. Front row (l-r): Christopher Smith, Jean Moats, Julie Larson. Middle row (l-r): Vicki Wampole, Bruce Johnston, Robert Cook, Robert Dodge. Back row (l-r): Loretta Thielman, Bruce Pamperin, Randy Marlett, Kenneth Pielhop, Eugene Ruenger.



Forty years. Rita Christoffersen.



Twenty-five years. Front row (l-r): Ann Sorensen, Frank Kennett, Darleen Dregney. Middle row (l-r): Hector Cruz, Colleen Rogers, Diane Moen. Back row (l-r): Robert Schuler, Patrick Liebergen.

New beginnings

Another year has passed and we are upon the wonderful season of spring! This is my favorite time of year—fresh blooms on the trees, grass turns green again, the sun gets a little warmer and there is new life all around us. The beginning of a new season sheds new light on many areas of our existence.

For graduates, college and beyond, spring brings about the completion of an extremely important time in life. A whole new beginning to their ever-changing world. This is a time that decisions are of the utmost importance. "Who should I work for?" - "Where should I live?" - "Should I continue on to grad school?" These are the decisions that have an immediate impact on their quality of life.

Quality of life, a phrase that has been thrown into our culture and used in so many different scenarios, pertains to our wealth, our health, our work and our play, to name a few. How much money we make (or should I say keep) has a direct effect on our quality of life. Our health also directly contributes to our quality of life. If we are physically able to do the things we enjoy, then we have the capacity to enhance the quality of our lives. What we do to make our living is so important to our quality of life! If we are following our dreams and are passionate about our work, we will be better able to contribute to our world and the professional environment of those around us.

And lastly, our play, how we relax and regenerate ourselves, is of the utmost importance to our quality of life. Many of us have had amazing choices throughout our lives as to how to spend our free time. These days, thousands of people feel that volunteering their time to

mentoring others is a great way to "play." It can take your mind off of the daily routine yet contributes greatly to improving the quality of lives of others. Volunteers that mentor others are able to "get out of themselves" a little and give what others might not be able to get anywhere else. The value of sharing your knowledge and showing others new things contributes to everyone's quality of life. The recipients of mentoring benefit on many levels. Most importantly, it contributes to their quality of life.

At UW-Stout, we are given the opportunity to learn how to contribute to the world in so many different ways. One of the methods of teaching here has always included a "hands-on" approach. We are encouraged to dig in to whatever it is we are doing and not be afraid of making mistakes or hesitant to ask questions.

Unbeknownst to us, while we are being educated in an area of study, we are also being educated in how to live life—a life that is of great quality, a life that is contributing to the world around us, a life that is helping to improve the lives of others, a life that is full of new beginnings.

Enjoy this season of new beginnings!

President's Message



Sue Roman

Three join board



Pierce



Baryenbruch



Williams

Three new members were appointed at the annual meeting of the UW-Stout Alumni Association on September 20, 2003. President Susan Roman '80 welcomed Jeff Baryenbruch, CHSP '85, director of sales and marketing, Omni Ambassador East Hotel, Chicago, Ill.; La Rue Pierce B.A. '97, M.S. '00, Assistant dean of students, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn.; and Christa Williams '02, neighborhood coordinator, Neighborhood Housing Services, Duluth, Minn.

Baryenbruch graduated with a degree in hotel and restaurant management. He joined Omni Hotels following a more than ten-year career with Wyndham Hotels. He now heads the entire sales and marketing effort at the 285-room Omni Ambassador East, the national historic landmark hotel located in Chicago's affluent downtown Gold Coast neighborhood.

Pierce earned his bachelor's degree in psychology and his master's degree in education. In addition to his role as assistant dean of students for St. Olaf College, he is also the dean for sophomores and the coordinator for judicial affairs. Pierce founded the National Heritage Education Foundation, which raises money for scholarships and pre-college programs to assist students of color with the cost of higher education.

Williams graduated with a degree in construction. Since graduation, she was employed in Washington State as a housing coordinator for La Clinica-Self Help Housing, and then moved back to the Midwest when she was offered the neighborhood coordinator position for Neighborhood Housing Services of Duluth. Williams also volunteers with many organizations including the Duluth Preservation Alliance and Bridge Syndicate.

Outlook going in for a makeover

The story begins in the soprano section of the Menomonie Community Choir. In 2001, Ejaz Saifullah, '89, '94, was searching for a copywriter for a special project. Ejaz' wife sat next to Maggie Foote '73 in the choir. Foote was available as a writer. Saifullah and Foote have been collaborating on marketing projects ever since. This summer, Ejaz and Maggie will be redesigning your alumni publication, the Stout Outlook.

Sue Pittman, interim assistant chancellor for Development and Alumni Services, is well aware that the Stout Outlook is often the only link between alumni and friends of UW-Stout and the university. "When I visit with alumni throughout the country, they comment about what they've read in the Stout Outlook," said Pittman. We want to strengthen that connection for our alumni by doing everything possible to make the Stout Outlook interesting and readable. Converting to a full-color magazine format with bright photographs and links to additional online information will give the publication a fresh look and encourage readership. The decision to partner with Saifullah and Foote was simple. They not only bring professional writing and design skills to the project, but also their

knowledge of the university gained through previous work experience on campus. Foote worked in University Relations and Saifullah in Student Life Publications."

Saifullah, originally from Bangalore, India, lives in Hudson with his wife and three children. He had been the art director at Aha! Design, the in-house creative department of Conseco Finance, St. Paul, Minn., prior to venturing out on his own as Corridor Design.

Foote had spent over 17 years as an arts administrator with nonprofit cultural organizations. She currently owns and operates the historic Oaklawn Bed & Breakfast on the east edge of Menomonie.

The brainstorming has already begun for the new design. Input from alumni will be essential for producing a publication that will meet their interests and needs. Alumni and friends are encouraged to send their ideas, suggestions and photographs. Keep your eyes open for the fall issue of the redesigned Stout Outlook, connecting you to the university and to alumni and friends across the country.



Front Row (l-r): Nathan Birchler, phonathon coordinator, Junction City, Wis.; Lisa Litke, Becker, Minn.; Scott Zempel, Twin Lakes, Wis.; Mary Lechner, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. Back Row (l-r): Chad Narva, Whitehall, Wis.; Joe Hoepfer, Markesan, Wis.; Eric Leland, Superior, Wis.

Stout University Foundation Phonathon Team

Greetings once again from UW-Stout's annual phonathon callers! By now, most of you have had the opportunity to speak with us as we work through our 2003-2004 calling campaigns. We would like to thank all of you who have given—your support is vital as it helps to fund several areas of need including scholarships, computer and technology updates, and classroom resources.

To date, our phonathon efforts have raised over \$250,000! This is a combination of dollars received for the unrestricted fund along with restricted pledges towards the College of Arts and Sciences. As you can see, your involvement can make a difference!

When you receive a phone call from one of us, not only will we tell you about all the great things that continue to happen at UW-Stout, but we also enjoy hearing about what you, our alumni, have been up to. We want to know what college life was like for you and how UW-Stout has changed over the years.

We all thank you for your continued support and look forward to speaking with you in the future.

Class Reunions



1961. Row 1: Deanna Howell House. Row 2 (l-r): Avalene Drake Swanson, Mary Mueller Edge, Virginia Scott Hoeschen, Anne Thiel Reuther, Howard Steinhilber. Row 3 (l-r): Donald Stewart, Roger Reuther, Frederick Schleg, Patricia Wenner Reisinger. Row 4 (l-r): Gerald Stauffacher, Charles Pinkepank, Frank "Fritz" Kazlauskys.



1964. Row 1 (l-r): Jack Graham, Karen Kardin Jordahl, Carol Kardin Path, Chuck White. Row 2 (l-r): Zenon Smolarek, James Buswell, Rich Paske.



1962. Row 1 (l-r): Barbara Werner Steinhilber, Judy Hess Niederberger, Ramona Johnson Pagel, Janet Lince Bethke, Sharon Hafeman Ballus. Row 2 (l-r): Shirley Strachota Graham, Mary Kirk Holubets, Mary Manion Zammikiel, . Row 3 (l-r): Darlene Brehelm Wernsman, Robert Wernsman, Mary Schultz Powell, Carole Horgen Hendricks, Janine Sevck Watts. Row 4 (l-r): Joseph Giovanoni, David Reisinger, Don Matter, Glen Harke.



1965. Row 1 (l-r): Jan Jenson, Dorothy Wormet Franczyk, Ruth Ann Waidelich Linse, Christine Johnson Buswell. Row 2 (l-r): Richard Rocklewitz, Karen Mager Rocklewitz, Pat Graham Seggelink, Charlotte Nehring Janeczko.



1963. Row 1 (l-r): Carol Machovec Subera, Joyce Johnson Giovanoni, Judith Bergen Larkin. Row 2 (l-r): Gerald Holubets, Robert Janeczko, Judy Jax, Sharon Wyss Harke, James Schumpf. Row 3 (l-r): Donald Larkin, Fred Seggelink, Peter Grace.



1971. (l-r): Mike Samsa, Carolyn Nemeck Behrens, Anthony Beyer.

Class Reunions



1972. Row 1 (l-r): Fred Beyer, Cynthia Govin Welch, Gail Ambroz. Row 2 (l-r): Kenneth Frye, Frank Fialkowski, William Burmesch, Rex Koderl.



1974. (l-r): Joan Klusmeyer Pelnar, Alan Gronlund, Tracy Spoerl, Ann Schommer Schroedl.



1973. Row 1 (l-r): Teresa Krause Fialkowski, David Vidlock, Betty Jakubicz Strycharske, Tom Strycharske. Row 2 (l-r): William "Butch" McGeoch, Wayne Novotny, Fred Schroedl, David Hackbarth, Barbara Halpin George.



1975. (l-r): Robyn Anderson, Steven Fried, Kathy Landwehr Beyer.

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Alumni in the News

Beyer and House receive Distinguished Alumni awards

Fred Beyer '72 and Deanna Howell House '61 are recipients of the 2003 Distinguished Alumni awards. These awards were presented during the 30th and 40th UW-Stout reunions held on October 17-18, 2003.

Fred Beyer, a technology education teacher at Shawano Community High School, Shawano, Wis., has educated and motivated students for the past 31 years. Mary Jo Ambrosius, associate principal of Shawano Community High School, stated in her letter of support for Beyer's nomination: "Fred inspires and challenges students by blending music, his unique 50's style and humor throughout the day. Fred's good-humored nature is contagious among the staff and students, which in turn motivates the students to enter a vocational field. One look at his car-desk and students are hooked and want to experience more!"

Beyer's enthusiasm, passion and creativity in the auto-tech education field, not to mention the neon signs, old gas pumps, and jukebox that grace his classroom, have termed Shawano Community High School "Hot Rod High."

Vern Jordan, technology education teacher, Fort Atkinson High School, Fort Atkinson, Wis., stated in his letter of support: "Mr. Beyer extends himself beyond the classroom having served as president of the Wisconsin Technology Education Association,

receiving the Technology Educator of the Year Award from the Wisconsin Technology Education Association and the Teacher Excellence Award from the International Technology Education Association. He is a role model for other teachers and a leader in his school, community and the state. Fred is a promoter and innovator who is always looking for ways to do something better for young people to be successful."



Fred Beyer

Deanna House taught family and consumer education classes for 19 years before forming Deanna House Specialties to publish her cookbooks and schedule her numerous food demonstrations. In addition to her food and nutrition demonstrations, House has also authored and published four cookbooks.

In her letter of support for the nomination of House, Patricia Reisinger commented, "Deanna House is an entertainer par excellence as she imparts food and nutrition information in her demonstrations. She has had as many as 500 people in attendance at those demonstrations. Deanna is extremely proud of her affiliation with UW-Stout, and anyone attending one of her demonstrations will come away with the knowledge that Stout helped create this efficient, incredibly bright, humorous woman who enjoys life."

House served on the Stout University Foundation Board from 1992 to 2002, and was chairperson of the scholarship committee for six of those years. As chair, she oversaw changes in the scholarship application and the

annual awards ceremony, and helped to create a more accurate evaluation form related to the application. "During her ten years on the board, Deanna missed only one meeting. Knowing that it was 20 hours per round trip, she attended three board meetings and one scholarship award ceremony per year—it speaks of her commitment and loyalty to this institution," said Reisinger.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to a UW-Stout graduate who exemplifies the philosophy of UW-Stout. The recipient must demonstrate professional distinction and achievement, as well as contribute to his or her community.



Deanna House

J. Huff Stout Award recipient – Patrick Spielman

Patrick Spielman '58 was awarded the James Huff Stout Award on March 12, 2004. This is the highest honor awarded by the UW-Stout Alumni Association.

Spielman used his UW-Stout degree in industrial education well. He devoted 27 years of his life to teaching woodworking at the high school and vocational school levels. To this day, his former students look up to him with great respect and gratitude for the lessons they learned. He not only taught woodworking techniques, but also woodshop safety and the importance of teamwork.

John Sawyer, a student of Spielman's in junior and senior high school, recollected that more students wanted to take his classes than space allowed. He explained that when students were registering for their classes they were to, "walk across the gym to the teachers' tables to register for the classes they wanted." However, for those wanting to take Spielman's woodworking class, an all-out sprint to Spielman's table occurred with young men pushing and shoving to be the first 12 to 14 students in line. The ones that were lucky enough to get Spielman's classes then strolled over to the less important classes, such as math and English.

Another student, Greg (Fuzzy) Sandstrom, used the bedroom set that he made in Spielman's industrial arts class for more than 30 years. He only recently retired it to a spare bedroom. Sandstrom remembers the values that Spiel-

man instilled in his students. "Pat didn't want anything leaving the shop and going home that you truly couldn't be proud of," Sandstrom said. "He was also innovative enough to teach a construction class in which we learned the basics of home building – something that could be used for the rest of our lives."

In addition to teaching, Spielman writes and illustrates woodworking books. He has written more than 65 books, many in collaboration with his wife. He also created and produced Home Workshop News, a magazine dedicated to the art of scroll sawing. His books have influenced professionals in the field. To many, he is considered "the world's leading woodwork author."

A colleague of Spielman's, David Venditto, expressed his respect for Spielman. "It wasn't until Patrick and I attended several woodworking conventions together that I witnessed firsthand the immensely significant contributions he has made to the lives of people who have read his books and articles on woodworking," he said. "Patient fans lined up at our booth to speak with Patrick and tell him how much his ideas and writings have enriched their own experiences with woodworking. I witnessed the same support for Patrick's work at another important trade convention, this one in the United Kingdom."

Currently, Spielman and his wife, Patricia, operate The Wood Works Gift Shop and Spielman's Kids Works Gift Shop located in Door County, Wis. His wood products, which



Patrick Spielman and wife Patricia

he designs and manufactures, can be found throughout the county.

Spielman has dedicated himself to his profession and to his community. He has served on the Gibraltar Town Board and on the Door County Chamber of Commerce Board. The Lion's Club can also boast of his membership for 15 years.

He works hard to protect the area's natural resources and to improve its economic health.

Spielman has exemplified UW-Stout's hands-on, minds-on philosophy through his teaching and his success in business. He has enriched the lives of his students and others.

Great Depression cookbooks

In 1966, Janet Van Amber Paske graduated from UW-Stout with a B.S. in home economics education and a minor in English. These degrees, coupled with her mother's inspiration, produced the Great Depression cookbooks. Paske's mother, who was a child during the Depression, invited her daughter to join her in documenting the lives (and recipes) of those who had lived during the Great Depression. Thus, Van Amber Publishers was born. Paske (married to Richard Paske BS '64) has co-authored and self-published the Great Depression cookbooks of which there are now four volumes. The stories and accompanying recipes, told in the words of those who lived them, were gained from interviews or from individuals sending their stories and memories to the publishers.

A story from one of the cookbooks tells how a family living in Jackson, Minn., delivered a fun-filled 4th of July to their four children:

"There was no money to drive anywhere to take the children to a picnic. They'd have to stay at home. The children were instructed to make some paper money which the family would share equally. Wooden boards were arranged in the corner of the kitchen as a sales counter, and treats were planned. Ice cream was in order for this important day. (Sometimes if you dug deep enough in the straw pile, close to the ground you'd find ice in mid-July.) A dough pan full of popcorn was popped using pure white lard to bring out the delicious mellow flavor of the popcorn. Water was drawn from the well icy cold to make lemonade.

Everyone in the family remembers that 4th of July deep in the 1930s. But that wasn't all.

Birthdays were extra special, too. The birthday child had the privilege of choosing the flavor of the bottle of pop they were to share. One 12-ounce bottle was purchased on each birthday and shared amongst the four children. They could hardly wait for this day to arrive."

In these volumes, readers can find recipes such as Elderberry Blossoms, Grandma's Best Salted Peanut Cake, String Bean Pickles and Depression Potato Soup. Another entry, One That Won't Die, gives the recipe called Scalloped Chicken Stretch. This simple dish became one family's favorite and has been handed down from generation to generation. It uses only three ingredients: one stewing chicken (chicken feet added for flavor), onions and potatoes.

The Great Depression cookbooks are more than a collection of recipes. They are books filled with stories and memories of families who lived during the Great Depression and dealt with the harshest challenge, "feeding the family." These accounts, told in the words of those who survived desperate times, have a strong nostalgic appeal to the many Americans who grew up during the Depression years. According to Paske, "Some stories are heartbreaking, some are hilarious, but all provide a rich historical account of the trials endured in homes across the country during the poorest time in the history of our nation."

The stories also enlighten and entertain young readers in today's world of material abundance. Many of the contributors remark how they didn't even realize that they were poor or that they should be unhappy, as evidenced by the following quotes: "For children there was so much fun to be had in the 1930s. Part of it

was coming up with your own inventions and ideas. There was great satisfaction in this. One could always show the neighbor children what new thing one had for them to have fun with."

"We practically lived on potatoes, which my mother fixed in dozens of different ways. I still love them. I really didn't know we were poor. Mother did such a terrific job with what she had."

Paske's mother, Rita Van Amber, came up with the idea for the cookbook as a way of commemorating her own mother who tenaciously and creatively held her family together during hard times. Van Amber's goal was to document the "courage and grit" exhibited by Depression era families and to entertain and educate readers today. Because of her home economics background, Paske was invited to join this project and, in 1986, their first volume was produced. Proud of their accomplishment, Van Amber and Paske printed enough copies for friends and family and considered the project complete. However, the popular appeal of the books spurred them on to produce subsequent issues and to enlarge the business. Today, it is a successful family business involving three generations of the Van Amber/Paske family.

Van Amber Publishers will continue to write and publish their cookbooks as long as interest continues. They welcome and encourage individuals to send their own family stories for documentation in the next volume. These stories, recipes and personal accounts of life in the 1930s, are not found in history textbooks but are invaluable and inspirational to all who read them.



Rita Van Amber and daughter Janet Van Amber Paske

**"Some stories are heartbreaking,
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James Huff Stout Award

James Huff Stout, the founder of UW-Stout, believed that education was best achieved by "learning through involvement." The implementation of his educational ideals and philosophy brought positive changes to the community and to the lives of thousands of individuals. The curriculum of the university continues to reflect his philosophy.

The James Huff Stout Award, designed to honor his ideals, is presented to a UW-Stout alumni who exemplifies Stout's hands-on, minds-on philosophy. The Alumni Association Board looks for the following characteristics when nominating an individual:

The James Huff Stout philosophy:

- ⊙ Significant and broad professional accomplishments and contributions that benefit the lives of others
- ⊙ Demonstrated, forward-looking leadership creating positive changes or innovation that influence and benefit the person's profession or colleagues

Community service

- ⊙ Significant civic service contributions
- ⊙ Demonstrated, ongoing involvement and positive influence in the community, state or nation

Continued involvement with UW-Stout

- ⊙ Supportive of the university's mission, programs, students, faculty and staff
- ⊙ Ongoing professional connection and involvement that benefit the university

All nominees must be living UW-Stout graduates of any year, school or college program. UW-Stout faculty, staff, administrators and former employees are eligible.

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Gomons turn passion into gold

If someone had told Kyle Gomon in 1989, when he graduated from the University Wisconsin-Stout with a degree in industrial technology, that someday he would own a winery, he might have said, "No way!" However, in time, he became fascinated with wine and turned his fascination into a career.

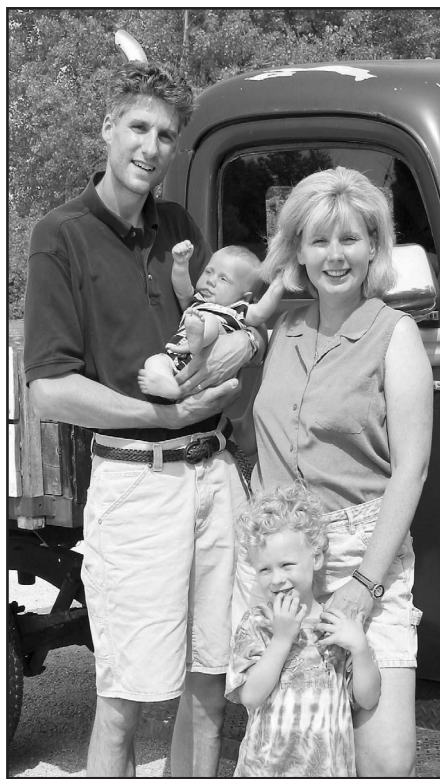
It wasn't just the "tasting" of wine that attracted Gomon but the science behind the product. "I found it fascinating to take a raw material like grapes and go through a natural process to produce something that's drinkable," he said.

In 1994, his wife, Bobbi '90, bought him a winemaking kit for his birthday. This started Gomon's hobby as a winemaker. Eventually, as his skill improved, he entered his wines in amateur competitions and, lo and behold, he won awards.

After finding success at state fair competitions, the Gomons decided that they would turn their successful hobby into a career. "With Bobbi's background in business and marketing and my background in engineering, we had a great combination to start a business," Gomon explained.

In order to make their dream a reality, they both quit their corporate jobs and began making wine in their home in North Lake, Wis. To spark interest and to introduce their product, the Gomons gave away hundreds of bottles of wine to local stores and restaurants. After several businesses expressed interest, they began to look for a facility to hold their winemaking business.

The Gomons found what they were looking for in a 2,000 square-foot building in downtown Delafield, Wis., located about 40 miles west of



The Gomon Family

Milwaukee. The Mason Creek Winery, named in honor of the creek which runs behind their home in North Lake, opened on October 13, 2001.

The winery has grown considerably from producing 1,500 bottles out of the Gomon's home in 2000 to 23,000 bottles in 2003. Twen-

ty-five retailers in southeastern Wisconsin sell the Mason Creek label. These retailers, which include grocery, liquor and specialty stores, account for about 25 percent of the winery's sales. The Gomons would like to sell to restaurants, but without a distributor, this is difficult.

During the summers, Mason Creek Winery is transformed into an outdoor haven. Free live musical performances are held in a courtyard where guests can sit and listen, bring their own picnic lunches and enjoy their favorite Mason Creek wine. These outdoor events have been so popular and successful for the winery that the Gomons hope to double the size of the courtyard in time for the summer of 2004.

Along with expanding the courtyard, the Gomons would like to increase wine production, as well. Even though other small businesses in Delafield are closing, their winery is prospering. As it now stands, their facility cannot handle an increase in production. They will need to either enlarge their present facility or move to a larger building.

Not only do the winery's sales confirm the success of the Mason Creek Winery, the 11 international awards they have won for their wines also prove the Gomons' success. In 2003 alone, they won a silver medal at the San Francisco International Wine Competition for their Gomon's Gold, a silver medal at the Indy International Wine Competition for the Mason Creek River Red and a bronze medal at the Eastern International Wine Competition for their Riesling. In addition to these award-winning wines, Mason Creek Winery also produces Merlot, Chardonnay, Red Zinfandel and Cranberry using Wisconsin cranberries. The grapes for all of the Mason Creek wines are



obtained from California, New York, Oregon and Washington.

The Gomons, who never imagined themselves as winemakers when they left UW-Stout 15 years ago, continue to strive toward their goal of providing a welcoming, comfortable atmosphere for their customers, as well as a delectable product. They hope that their young sons will also follow in their footsteps.

**"A meal without wine
is like a day
without sunshine."**

- Anthelme Brillat Savarin

Living and teaching in Egypt

Charlene Woyczik knows that she would not be having the adventure of her life if she had not graduated from Stout with a degree in early childhood. Woyczik, a 1996 graduate, worked in Wisconsin for about five years, but she was "always wanting to be going someplace more interesting, but really didn't know how to get there."

However, she found out. Armed with her degree, a desire to teach kindergarten through third grade only and a yen for adventure, Woyczik attended an International Teacher Fair in Waterloo, Iowa. There she found out about teaching opportunities in foreign countries. According to Woyczik, schools overseas are eagerly looking for qualified kindergarten and pre-kindergarten teachers. She applied to a few schools and was offered teaching positions in five countries in Asia, South America and the Middle East. And why did she choose Egypt? "Egypt sounded like it had the best deal," Woyczik reported.

Woyczik has been happily teaching a third grade class at an American International School in Cairo, Egypt, for more than a year. The students in her class are from wealthy families because the school is a private "high-class" one. Woyczik reported that these students have maids and drivers to constantly look after them, making it hard at times for them to learn to do things

for themselves. "They are a pampered elite with parents who dote on them," she said.

Outside of the classroom, however, Woyczik does come into contact with children from the lower class. These children, starting at the ages of eight or nine, work to help their families. She sees them selling fruit and vegetables from wooden carts pulled by a donkey or collecting, sorting and extracting recyclable garbage. Education for these children is limited to the free government schools. Classes are large with an average of 50 students, and corporal punishment is used. Children who fall in the middle class bracket have a few more options. Their parents pay to send them to school where the children learn basic literary skills in Arabic and English.

Woyczik asks herself what she can do to help the children in her midst. To the "chosen ones" she works to impart the need for generosity to those not so fortunate. Under her direction, the students participate in food drives and fund-raisers for orphanages and children in less affluent schools. Unfortunately, she has discovered that she cannot help everyone. "It's definitely a humbling place, and yet I have learned much about human needs here," she said.

One thing that she has learned is the importance of fostering relations with her neighbors and friends. In Egypt, socializing on a lengthy



Charlene Woyczik and friend

and regular basis with neighbors and shop owners is customary. If she allows herself, she could easily visit for three to four hours straight on a Saturday. "Some people get very upset with you if you don't sit and talk for at least a half hour, and when you go, it is always too soon," Woyczik said. She compares this habit with the fast pace of Americans who hardly know their neighbors anymore. And she prefers it.

Sometimes Woyczik finds herself wondering if she is dreaming or if this is really her life. She said, "I constantly find myself in a sobering

moment (swimming/snorkeling in the Red Sea, sleeping under the stars in the Sahara Desert, dawn at the top of Mt. Sinai with hundreds of foreigners from all sorts of religions and regions) where I think, 'God, I am so lucky to be here.' Who would have thought that I could be standing right here, a farm girl from the hills of Waumandee, Wis., all on her own out here? I am so blessed."

The Smiling Pelican Bakeshop

In the fall of 2001 when much of the world was in a state of shock over the events of Sept. 11, a happy event took place in Maiden Rock, Wis. The Smiling Pelican Bakeshop opened its doors, and the alluring smells of breads, scones, quiches, specialty pastries and chocolate delicacies issued forth.

Sandra Thielman '87 is the proprietor of this shop. Her dream in opening the Smiling Pelican Bakeshop was to create a small town bakery with baked goods made from "scratch." Thielman chose an old house for her bakery, wanting to provide her customers with a warm and cozy "grandma's kitchen" atmosphere. This open kitchen allows friendly conversation between the cook and client while Thielman creates her magic.

In addition to providing tasty and healthy homemade baked goodies, Thielman prefers to work part time, which she thinks enables her to have a healthier lifestyle than many Americans. Since graduating from UW-Stout, she has traveled to Europe where she was struck with the difference between the average work schedules of Americans compared to that of Europeans. This experience brought her to the conclusion that Americans work far too much.

As a result, Thielman designed her own business to be open approximately nine months of the year and three days of the week: Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The bakeshop is closed from Dec. 23 to mid-March. The exact opening date depends on the weather. In operating a small-scale business, she is able to maintain the personal contact with her clientele that she values. Also, by closing the shop for the winter, she has time to rest and be rejuvenated when her doors open in the spring. The reprieve that she enjoys during the coldest of the Midwestern year energizes and prepares her for the demanding schedule she maintains during the months the shop is open.

And a demanding schedule it is. When the Smiling Pelican opens its doors at 8 a.m., Thielman has already been up for many hours. In order to have fresh bread, cookies and pastries ready for her morning customers she begins



Thielman

her workday at 1:30 a.m. and doesn't end until 7 or 8 p.m.

The bakery offers a variety of delectables made from scratch with a weekly changing menu. Thielman uses local produce as much as possible. For example, in the summer when blueberries are in abundance, she packs them in overflowing pies and rich cheesecakes. When fall comes around and apples are begging to be cooked, customers can find apple-filled pastries and cakes. The rich oranges of late fall squash also brighten Thielman's creations.

Make a point of visiting the Smiling Pelican Bakeshop at W3556 Hwy 35, Maiden Rock, Wis., before Thielman closes the doors and goes into hibernation for the winter. Be prepared to stay and visit awhile in the kitchen before you leave. Have a cup of coffee inside, or sit outside and enjoy the flowers that surround the shop. Treat yourself to a homemade quiche and a raspberry truffle, a golden scone or a flaky turnover, or go home with a loaf of warm, fresh-baked bread tucked under your arm.



Volleyball Alumni Association spikes interest



Front Row (l-r): Jackie Stapleton Kotyza '83, Carol Bufe Busch '90, Ann Stark Fischer '91. Back Row (l-r): Wendy Morrow Toenies '86; Cheryl Wagner Larson B.S. '88, M.S. '90; Michelle Espe Walsh '88; Michelle Cooper Majewski '91; Christine Omernik Griese '91.

In January of 2003, ten years had passed since Mark Mantegna '93 and Todd Gawronski '93 had graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Stout. Still, they felt up to challenging the university's current men's volleyball team to a game. They contacted their former teammates and, much to their surprise, everyone was excited about the idea of getting together for their first reunion and volleyball tournament.

As a result of this favorable response, Mantegna and Gawronski decided to invite all former men and women players to UW-Stout for a reunion tournament with a date set for September 2003. The UW-Stout Alumni Volleyball Association was official. The association, comprised of former male and female players and the current UW-Stout head coach, gathered e-mail addresses for over 150 former players and sent out invitations. Players graduating from as early as 1979 responded. Eventually, 50 alumni who graduated between the years 1988 and 2003 had committed to play. The first annual Alumni Volleyball Challenge was a reality.

On Friday, September 19, 2003, approximately eight months after Mantegna and Gawronski's great idea, the men's volleyball team from 1993 returned to Johnson Fieldhouse to play together once again. Throughout the day, alumni practiced for the matches and watched the current women's team play. Alumni came from as far as Ohio, Arizona and Florida, eager to reunite and play with former friends and teammates. The association charged a small entrance fee and the proceeds went to the men's club team and the women's varsity team.



Front Row (l-r): Shawn Knodt '93, Steve Schoenborn '93, Leigh Breitenbach '95. Back Row (l-r): Todd Gawronski '93, Mark Mantegna '93, Michael Scherbert.

The tournament continued the next day with four men's teams and three women's teams competing. Despite the fact that many of these players had not played competitively for a while, the matches were close. The 1993 men's team won the championship game versus the class of 2000. The women's team, made up of players from the late 1980s and early 1990s, won the championship against a team from the late 1990s.

When the final matches were played, the players, tired but happy, gathered at the Mardi Gras restaurant to socialize and plan for the second annual Alumni Volleyball Challenge to be held September 17 and 18, 2004. The UW-Stout Volleyball Alumni Association hopes that this event will bring even more alumni who are interested in participating. Once again, they will be inviting all former club and varsity players.

If you are interested in participating in this annual event, please contact one of the following UW-Stout Volleyball Alumni Association members:

Todd Gawronski	todd.gawronski@berlinindustries.com
Mark Mantegna	mantegna@bellsouth.com
Jennifer Carter Edmund	jennifer.carter@kohls.com
Lara Wegner Zwick	latidas@aol.com
Jill Jolliff	jolliffj@uwstout.edu

Alumni Spotlights

Ryan Crist

Put up your feet and take a rest in this lounge chair, appropriately named Ease. Ryan Crist '02 designed this creation using Alias Studio, a computer graphics application. Ease earned Crist a sixth place ranking in the 2003 Photoreal Furniture Competition International hosted by Design-engine.



Crist

Crist, a graduate of UW-Stout's art program with a concentration in interior design, was one of 200 designers who entered the online competition. Ease and other photoreal furniture are based on original computer generated renderings of seating products created with design software. The competition also included photorealism and innovative designs for modern culture. Go to www.design-engine.com/competition/ to see the other winners.

Crist works as an industrial designer at Concepts 2 Reality, a product and development company. He interned with the company the summer before he graduated from UW-Stout and was hired after graduation. In his position, he works on a variety of projects including personal fitness equipment, consumer electronics and office furnishings. Crist enjoys the diverse nature of his work.

Chad Ellert

Chad Ellert '01 may never have attended University of Wisconsin-Stout if he hadn't chanced upon a UW-Stout flyer while he was a student at a technical college in Madison, Wis. He was unsure of his future career plans when the academic offerings at UW-Stout caught his eye. He applied and was accepted as a general business administration major.



Ellert

Prior to graduation, Ellert began looking for employment outside of Wisconsin. While job searching on the Internet, he came across athletic internships, specifically an internship with the San Jose Earthquakes, a major league soccer team based in California. Ellert applied for the unpaid internship and was surprised and delighted when it was offered to him. Eager for the experience, he took out a loan, packed up his Ford Explorer and drove across country.

In December of 2001, Ellert completed the internship and returned to Wisconsin to celebrate a white Christmas. He soon received a call from the Earthquakes asking him to return to California -- this time for a paid internship. After some negotiating with management, Ellert landed a full-time salaried position as administrator of the soccer team.

Ellert remains busy and happily employed with the Earthquakes. He manages the team's budget, travels with them to Europe and South America and communicates with the general manager, owners and players. He interacts daily with the world-renowned soccer players, London Donovan and Rodrigo Faria. This past year was an especially exciting one when the team won the 2003 Major League Soccer Championship—their second in three years.

Ellert remains appreciative of the education that he received at UW-Stout. It opened doors to a job that dreams are made of.

Kris Winter

Kris Winter '92 is certain that the education she received at UW-Stout provided her with the foundation she needed to pursue and realize her dreams. She graduated with a degree in business administration, a specialization in international business and a concentration in hospitality management.



Winter

Curiously enough, Winter claims that watching the television series "Hotel" and working on a dude ranch in Wyoming as a teenager led her to UW-Stout. As a result of her choice, Winter's hands-on education at UW-Stout has been invaluable to her and was instrumental in helping her to achieve her goals and dreams.

Kris is living out her dream in Alaska where she has put her UW-Stout education to use firsthand. She and her husband, Michael, opened a gift store in 1993 and guest cabins in 1996. The custom-made guest

cabins are located at the gateway to Wrangell St. Elias National Park and Preserve, the most remote and least developed of Alaska's national parks. For the intrepid tourist, the area is perfect for wilderness activities, and to experience a taste of the *last frontier*. Visit her business online at www.pawandfeathers.com.

During her years at UW-Stout, Winter worked in the Office of International Programs. As a result of her exposure to internationalism, she cofounded the nonprofit foundation, Four Winds Foundation North. This organization supports international educational experiences for rural Alaskan students. The goal of this program is to provide a link between Alaskan youth and the diverse peoples of the world in order to "encourage them [youth] to seek more information, education and a better life." For more information on the foundation, go to www.thefourwinds.org.

Kris, Michael and their six-year-old son, Niishjaa (an Apache name meaning owl), live in Chitina, Alaska. She is busy and happy using the education she received at UW-Stout and raising her son.

Barbara Wallen Ramberg

Barbara Wallen Ramberg '60 has kept busy in the 43 years since she graduated from UW-Stout. She raised a family and taught family and consumer education at Baldwin-Woodville High School. She is also a charter member of the St. Croix Valley chapter of Habitat for Humanity and enjoys performing Klompen, a Dutch folk dance. And, in 1995, to stave off boredom, Ramberg started a collection of vintage clothing.



Wallen Ramberg

This collection of items from the years 1880 to 1940 includes everything from straw hats with flirtation ribbons to dress hoops and lace-trimmed undergarments; from French-cut steel beaded handbags to gay nineties dresses with leg-o-mutton sleeves. Antique shoes, jewelry, parasols and antique buttons also brighten her collection.

After unearthing her finds, Ramberg cleans and restores them as closely as possible to their original state. She uses them as décor in her home and models them in the community and for fundraising events. A desire to "bring these garments back to life" motivates Ramberg. She only wishes that the clothing could tell her the stories of their wearers.

Visit the Stillwater Historic Courthouse, and you will be able to see Barb modeling her vintage clothing while serving as a greeter and guide.

Maltee McMahon

Maltee McMahon was recently named UW-Stout's Outstanding Woman of Color. This statewide recognition is awarded to women of color who have initiated positive change within their communities by contributing to diversity and advocating women's issues.



McMahon

McMahon received her award at the ninth annual Woman of Color Award Brunch Ceremony held in conjunction with the 28th Annual UW System Women's Studies Conference at UW-Stout in October 2004.

McMahon earned her bachelor's degree in business administration and her master's degree in management technology at UW-Stout. As a student, she led the university's International Club, promoting diversity and organizing international fairs and dinners for the campus and community.

Working as a director at First Call for Help and the Family Resource Center, McMahon initiated a variety of programs to aid women, families and individuals of color, including an in-home program to help Hmong families and workshops addressing women's self esteem.

In her current position as a community services representative for Bremer Bank in Menomonie, McMahon organized Women Connect and the Diversity Committee, edits the Eau Claire Women's Network newsletter, and advocates for women and children as a member of the board of directors.

"Maltee's presence has been a huge energizer in the nonprofit community. She just radiates a positive spirit," said Janet Polanski, UW-Stout's Women's Studies director.

Dave Polka

Dave Polka '75 had planned on following his family's teaching tradition when he received his degree in industrial education from the University of Wisconsin-Stout. His first job was as a high school teacher in industrial education and driver's education.



Polka

Unfortunately, he was laid off after eight years. However, the private sector beckoned him when he found employment at Allen-Bradley's Drives Division in Mequon, Wis. He was a technical writer there for three years and an instructor for seven. Polka currently is the training center manager for ABB Inc., Drives and Power Electronics, in New Berlin, Wis. In this position, he conducts distributor and customer classes about applying, programming and operating drives, which are collections of mechanical components that move a load.

In addition to his work at ABB Inc., Polka keeps busy doing technical writing. He has written articles about drives, which have appeared in magazines, trade journals and on Web sites. He has also written a book, titled "Motors and Drives - A Practical Technology Guide." In his book, Polka helps both engineers who are unfamiliar with the technology and technicians who are unaccustomed to complex theory and mathematics understand motor and drive engineering concepts. He provides simple explanations, summaries, review questions, glossaries and reference tables for formulas and conversions. His aim is to de-mystify drive and motor technology that is used in today's modern manufacturing processes.

Dave Polka, who as a student at Stout had planned a career in secondary education, has been pleasantly surprised by the turns that life has brought him.

Jon Zickert

Crystal Mountain resort, located in Thompsonville, Mich., recently appointed Jon Zickert '91 to rooms division director. He began his career at Crystal as rooms division manager in April 2001. In his new position, he works with all areas related to accommodations and public facilities including house-keeping, front desk, facilities, transportation and building engineering.



Zickert

"Jon's performance has been outstanding," said Chris MacInnes, Crystal senior vice president. "In addition to successfully managing his direct responsibilities, Jon has led many company-wide initiatives. Not only does Jon work hard every day, but he also makes it fun."

Before joining Crystal, Zickert was with Residence Inn, a division of Marriott Hotel. Most recently, he was opening general manager of the historic Residence Inn in Cleveland. Prior to that, Zickert was general manager of the Residence Inn in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Zickert enjoys the northern Michigan lifestyle which includes skiing, golfing and mountain biking with his wife, Karen.

Crystal Mountain is a family-owned, year-round resort featuring 36 holes of championship golf, 34 downhill slopes, more than 40 kilometers of cross-country trails, lodging, dining and conference facilities for groups of up to 300 people. Golf Magazine named Crystal a Top 25 Golf School.

Richard K. Boyum

Richard K. Boyum '69 received two prestigious awards from the Wisconsin College Personnel Association at their annual convention held in Wisconsin Dells in October 2003. This organization consists of public four- and two-year colleges as well as the technical college system in Wisconsin. Boyum received the Outstanding Program Award for the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Counseling Services Web page and the Annabelle E. Wolf Award for Outstanding Service to College Student Personnel. The Wolf award is given to the individual with at least seven years of experience in higher education and who has had a lasting impact and contribution in the profession.



Boyum

Boyum received a plaque in recognition of the awards at the American College Personnel Association's national convention held in Philadelphia, April 2004. Boyum, appreciative of the honors he has received, is enjoying his 31st year at the UW-Eau Claire Counseling Center.

Kristian Gamble

Kristian Gamble '97 began his fascination with art at a very young age. As a child in Houston and Bay City, Texas, he remembers the endless drawings he created on his schoolbooks, desks, walls and any other surface that he felt needed a little embellishing. At the end of a school day, he would run home, pencil in hand, and plop himself down on his bed to study the Texas horizon. He sketched the cars and hotrods that he saw passing by. He imagined how he could make them better.



Gamble

Eventually, Gamble's family left Texas and moved to a quiet northern suburb of Minneapolis in the late 1980s. When he was ready for college, he chose UW-Stout where he majored in apparel design and manufacturing with a minor in art and design. Despite the fact that the number of art classes he could enroll in was limited, Gamble was not hindered from learning as much about art as he could. He would check out the books that were assigned to different art classes and study them on his own.

After graduating from UW-Stout, Gamble pursued a career in apparel but never lost his love for art. He yearned to introduce his art to the world and began to do just that by producing large paintings in his small one-bedroom apartment in downtown Minneapolis. Due to the shortage of space, he used the back parking lot and a storage area as his studio. Not just content to paint, Gamble decided to build his own canvases. "I started building large canvases, eight feet tall by four-and-a-half feet wide. I had to move all the furniture to the side just to have enough room to build," he recalled.

As a result of his devotion to his art, Gamble began to enter his work in art shows. He participated in a group show in 1999 at the Arcadia Theater and Café in Minneapolis. The show was successful, even if one of his paintings was tipped on its side and put behind a table. Gamble said, "It was still a success because family and friends were there. It was my first show -- you have to start somewhere." Since his first show, he has been involved in several other art shows including the Art-A-Whirl, Minneapolis; the Exposed Show at Artoconecto Gallery, Washington, D.C.; the 55408 Group Show at Intermedia Arts Gallery, Minneapolis; and the ISQ104 Show at IMAGINESTATION Gallery in Lehigh Valley, Pa. His work was also accepted for gallery representation at the Agora Gallery in SoHo, N.Y.

Gamble has not forgotten his other love, apparel design. He has created a small accessories line consisting of leather cuff bracelets and watchbands and a line of modern city-styled T-shirts with a unique sporty and deconstructed look. His T-shirt line will be included in the benefit show, Voltage: Fashion Amplified, to be held in Minneapolis on May 25, 2004.

"Family and friends play the most important part in my creativity," said Gamble. "I create from experience and how those experiences affect me."

Stout Families

Hampton Family



Maureen Hampton, Heather Kuesel Hampton '03, Joel Hampton '03, Linda Worden Hampton '71, Dan Hampton '71.

Dan and Linda Worden Hampton met at Stout and were married in 1971. Dan joined the investment firm Robert W. Baird & Co. in 1981 and is currently senior vice president of investments. He also sits on the board of directors of the Stout University Foundation.

Linda taught for 26 years in the early childhood handicapped program in the Galesville-Ettrick-Trempealeau School District before her retirement in 1998. Dan and Linda live in Galesville, Wis., with their 17-year-old daughter, Maureen, who is in the process of looking at colleges.

Joel and Heather Kuesel Hampton also met at Stout and were married Jan. 13, 2004, on the island of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. Joel is employed as an information systems technician for the BevComm Corporation in Blue Earth, Minn. Heather will attend graduate school at Minnesota State University, Mankato, in the fall of 2004 where she will study cardiac rehabilitation. Joel and Heather reside in Blue Earth, Minn.

Jax Family



Clockwise from top: Mike Jax B.S. '92, M.S. '94; Stefanie Snyder Jax '96; Joe Jax; Dr. Judy Weiss Jax, B.S. '63, M.S. '66.

Judy Jax received her B.S. and M.S. degrees at UW-Stout and a Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. She has been at UW-Stout for 33 years and is now serving as dean of the School of Education.

Joe is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has been a faculty member and director of the library at UW-Stout for 44 years and has recently retired.

Judy and Joe reside in Menomonie. Their son Mike has both B.S. and M.S. degrees from Stout and is the facilities and maintenance manager for Renewal by Andersen Corporation in Cottage Grove, Minn. His wife, Stefanie, has her B.S. degree from Stout and is currently a graduate student at Stout. Mike and Stefanie reside in Menomonie. Joe and Judy also have another son, John, who is married to Holly.

Andrist Family



Ed Andrist, Katrina and Fred.

Ed is currently the head men's basketball coach at UW-Stout. His brother, Fred, works as a uniserve director for West Central Education Association in Menomonie. Fred's daughter, Katrina, is a mother of four in Creedmoor, N.C. Not pictured, but also a Stout graduate, is Katrina's husband, Dan Maxon '96. Dan is a concessions manager for Aramark, currently working at the Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek, Calif.

Bedsted Family



Front Row (l-r): Heidi Bedsted '03, Beverly (Fjelsted) Bedsted '47, Lee Bedsted B.S. '50, M.S. '62, and Barb (Burgess) Bedsted '75. Back Row (l-r): Jon Bedsted '82, Chris Bedsted '02, and Greg Bedsted '75.

The Bedsted family has a long and varied history with UW-Stout and Menomonie. In 1943, Beverly Fjelsted, a young college student at The Stout Institute noticed a shortage of young male students. Few men attended during the years 1942 to 1945 due to their involvement with the war. However, Fjelsted kept busy studying and biding her time until she met her husband-to-be, Lee Bedsted, during her final year. They were married in 1947, the same year that Fjelsted graduated.

Two years later, their first son, Gregory, was born. He spent his boyhood in Menomonie, and as a young man served in Vietnam. He later attended UW-Stout where, in the family tradition, he met his future spouse, Barb Burgess.

The Bedsted's second son, Jonathan, also attended UW-Stout and, like his brother and parents before him, met and married his wife during his college years. Two of their children, Chris and Heidi, chose to attend UW-Stout. Chris graduated in 2002 and Heidi in 2003. All in all, UW-Stout has seen 31 years worth of Bedsteds.

The Bedsted seniors, Lee and Bev, retired long ago and live in the Park Rapids, Minn., area. Lee was a teacher and counselor for 33 years at Austin High School in Minnesota. Now they spend their time relaxing and socializing with other retirees at their home on Long Lake.

Greg Bedsted retired from 3M Company five years ago. His wife, Barb, operates a kennel, breeding and training champion Yorkshire Terriers in Stillwater, Minn. They live between Lakeland and Bayport, Minn., near the St. Croix River, where they enjoy boating during the warm weather months.

Jon and his wife, Valerie, live in Plainview, Minn., Jon has worked for the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., for 15 years. He started as a supervisor in the printing department and is now a systems and printing analyst and buyer. Their son, Chris, also lives in Plainview and works as a sales representative for Pacemaker Corp., a construction product company for homeowners. Heidi, their daughter, lives in Boston and works as an intern in product design for New Balance Athletic Shoe Inc. She hopes that the internship will develop into full-time employment.

Class Notes

1920-1969

David Barnard B.S. '46, M.S. '47, Menomonie, retired UW-Stout professor, recently stepped down as board member of DET (Disabled and Elderly Transportation Inc.), after serving as chair for 15 years. **John and Ruth Larson Kraft** '52, Menomonie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 18, 2002. The Krafts were married on Homecoming Day in 1952. **Edward** '56 and **Shelly Clary**, Grants Pass, Ore., are the owners and operators of Ponderosa Pine Inn, a bed and breakfast. **Judith Hutchinson Manabat** '59 has retired as a family and consumer science teacher from Mililani High School, Mililani, Hawaii. **James Levendoske** '60, Beaver Dam, is retired after 38 years of employment in the engineering department of Metalfab Inc. **Patricia Wenner Reisinger** B.S. '61, M.S. '67 was appointed vice president for development of Taliesin Preservation Inc., Spring Green. **Grace Hinde Howaniac** '62, Oshkosh, has authored her fourth cookbook, "Mom's Sweet Memories: Recipes and Recollections of Country Cooking." **Joanne Bowe Leonard** '64 retired from the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation in 2002 and is presently public affairs officer at American Transmission Co., Wausau. She was elected president of the Wausau/Marathon County Chamber of Commerce in 2003 and is a member of the Northcentral Technical College Foundation Board of Directors. **Jean Vrana Barth** '65, Davison, Mich., has begun a two-year term on the board of directors of Soroptimist International of the Americas, an international volunteer service organization for women in business, management and the professions. **Jack** B.S. '66, M.S. '71 and **Anne Gaderlund Weiss** B.S. '65, M.S. '71 are both retired and reside in Elgin, Ill. **Roger Gerstner** B.S. '68, M.S. '79, Green Bay, is retired from Northeast Wisconsin Technical College. **Arthur** '68 and **Karen Chinnock Rudd** '68 reside in Anoka, Minn. Arthur is retired after 34 years of teaching industrial technology and coaching golf at Columbia Heights High School; Karen is also retired following more than 34 years of teaching home economics and special education for Robbinsdale Public Schools. **Louis Husby** '69 has retired from the Menomonie School District after 31 years of teaching. **Trudy Verbrick Zarling** '69, Cedarburg, is a family living teacher for the West Bend School District.

1970-1979

Janis Tucker Grusz '70 is the owner of Safety For Toddlers, a baby-proofing company in Seattle, Wash. **Karen Mueser** B.S. '70, M.S. '77, Park Ridge, Ill., has retired from Sears as group engineering manager-textiles. She is currently an independent textiles consultant and an adjunct professor of textiles at Dominican University in River Forest, Ill. **Ray Petersohn** B.S. '70, M.S. '78, Howards Grove, has retired after 33 years of teaching.

Wanda Huisman '71 retired after teaching in Eagle Pass, Texas, for 18 years. She is presently a kindergarten teacher at Saigon South International School, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. **Nancy Mathey** '71 has earned an MBA from Alaska Pacific University and is currently residing in Italy for Italian language studies. **Aleda Schuetz McArdle** '71, Stoughton, was selected as a 2003 Kohl Teacher Fellowship recipient. McArdle is a reading specialist at Kegonsa Elementary School. **William Regel** '71 is store manager at Fletcher Music Centers, Edison Mall, Fort Myers, Fla.

Robert '72 and **JoAnn Kinnard Flood** '73 reside in Oconomowoc. Robert is a sales consultant for Poblacki & Sons LLC; JoAnn is the gifted/talented/at-risk coordinator at Wisconsin Hills Middle School. **Timothy Peterson** B.S. '72, M.S. '86 is an assistant professor at Gustavus Adolphus College, St. Peter, Minn.

Yvonne Retzinger Brown '73 is an account executive at The Goltz Seering Agency Inc., Green Bay. **Gregory Janicki** '73 is regional president of First Horizon Home Loan Corp., Alpharetta, Ga.

Carolyn Fortney Barnhart '74, program director of the food systems and technology program at UW-Stout, was selected as recipient of the 2003 American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Leaders Award. **Jill Ott Behnke** B.S. '74, M.S. '79 was listed in the 2002 Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

Jill is a child development instructor at Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount, Minn.

Marie Kraska Miller M.S. '75 was inducted as a 2003-2004 Mildred Cheshire Fraley Distinguished Professor at Auburn University, Auburn, Ala. **Steven Schlough** B.S. '75, M.S. '87, Colfax, was selected as the recipient of Chippewa Valley Technical College's 2003 Distinguished Alumnus Award. Schlough is an associate professor in the communications, education and training department at UW-Stout. **Holly Larson Wagner** B.S. '75, M.S. '84 has been awarded the Accredited Buyer Representation designation by the Real Estate Buyer's Agent Council Inc. of the National Association of Realtors. Wagner is a broker/sales associate for Miller Real Estate, Menomonie.

Roger Richardson B.A. '76, M.S. '79 was appointed assistant vice president for Student Affairs and Campus Life, Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y.

Vanessa Pellegrino Ross '77 is a curriculum assistant for Region 5 Education Service Center, Beaumont, Texas.

Susan Berns Baron '78 is the president and CEO of Caring Consultants Inc., Northbrook, Ill. **Mary Crave** '78, Madison, received the Leader Award from the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences at their annual conference in June 2002. Crave is an evaluation and diversity specialist for University of Wisconsin Extension. **Lora LaDev** '78 is a furniture buyer for Crate and Barrel, Northbrook, Ill. **Anita Le Page** '78, Santa Barbara, Calif., has recently opened Cowgirls Don't Cry, a wholesale clothing company specifically geared to the equestrian market. **Thomas Eagan** '78, Shorewood, Minn., is the general manager of Wireless Network Solutions. **Anne Symon Paterson** '78 is a family and consumer science teacher at Marlboro Middle School, Marlboro, N.J. **Peggy Trainor** '78 has been selected as a recipient of the Kohl Teaching Fellowship Award. Trainor is a teacher at the Wisconsin School for the Visually Handicapped in Janesville.

Brian Colianni '79 was appointed vice president of customer service and parts operations, Mazda North American Operations, Irvine, Calif. **Patrick Frater** '79 is president of Northwest Power Products Inc., an Eagan, Minnesota-based distributor of motors, mechanical power transmission products, general motor control products and electrical drives.

1980-1988

Michael Becker B.S. '80, M.S. '83 is director of sales for Clarisay Inc., Dallas, Texas. **Dale Dahlke** M.S. '80 has retired after 27 years of teaching biology and coaching track and field at Menomonie High School. **Amy Gibling Johnson** '80 was named director of marketing and public relations at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, Milwaukee. **David Margolis** '80 is director of marketing for Marriott, Coral Springs, Fla.

Allan Albricht '81 is assistant store manager at Sears, Roebuck & Co., Eau Claire. **Christopher Bracken** '81 is director of sales and marketing for the Sawgrass Marriott Resort and Beach Club, Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. **Mary Jo Schultz Gerhardt** '81, Iola, is food service director for Iola-Scandinavia School District. **Debbie Johnson** M.S. '81, Street, Md., is a regional supervisor for Kemper National Services. **Thomas Kubala** '81, Tower Lakes, Ill., is vice president of Latin America Packaging.

Pete Berends '82, Parker, Colo., is an engineer with Hitachi. **Robert Berth** B.S. '82, M.S. '90 is the owner of Lakewood Pizza Pub LLC, Lakewood. **Kim Krejcha Cody** '82 is a medical social worker at Theda Clark Regional Medical Center, Neenah. **Elizabeth Ellis** '82, Salt Lake City, Utah, is director of trustee and board development programs for The Nature Conservancy. **Christopher Houg** '82 is a senior product design engineer for Wisco Industries Inc., Oregon. **Michael Lundin** '82 has been elected chief executive officer of Oglebay Norton Co., Cleveland.

Thomas Draskowski '83, Red Wing, Minn., is owner and president of Stone Machinery, a distributor of molding and metal-working machines. Draskowski recently moved the sales and administration portion of his business from Minneapolis to River Falls. **Kevin James** '83 is inventory control manager at New View Gifts and Accessories, Yeadon, Pa. **Claudia Knowlton-Chike** '83 is a program director for IBM, Rochester, Minn. **Daniel Menden** B.S. '83, M.S.

'89, Hales Corners, is the manager of management development at Harley-Davidson. **Paul Varsho** M.S. '83, science teacher at Menomonie Middle School, became the first teacher in the School District of the Menomonie Area to receive national board certification. There are only 134 nationally certified teachers in Wisconsin.

Jay Dahlke '84, Kenner, La., is the general manager of the Courtyard by Marriott New Orleans. Jay recently received the General Manager of the Year award from Marriott International Inc. **Paul Gray** '84 is a senior manufacturing engineer at Parker Hannifin, Blaine, Minn. **Virginia Dahl Larson** M.S. '84 was named Teacher of the Year by the Wisconsin Association for Career and Technical Education. Larson is an instructor in the business technology department of Chippewa Valley Technical College, Eau Claire.

Barbara Hill Burke '85 is a product home economist for Whirlpool Corp., St. Joseph, Mich. **Jeffrey Bzdawka** '85 has assumed the position of senior vice president, Worldwide Service Delivery, Pegasus Solutions, Scottsdale, Ariz. **Thomas Frederick** '85 is the owner of Pub 500, Mankato, Minn. **Dawn Gemlo Koeper-Howe** '85 is a clinical dietitian with Beverly Healthcare/Bradley Health & Rehabilitation, Milwaukee. **Craig Kottke** '85 was promoted to senior manager of product development at Master Lock Co., Oak Creek. **Barbara Larson** '85 is a clinical dietitian and a member of the cardio-thoracic transplant team at William S. Middleton Memorial Veterans Affairs Hospital, Madison. **Catherine Parr Loomis** B.S. '85, M.S. '87 is a patient safety specialist with Coastal Clinical & Management Services, Narberth, Pa. **Jane Metcalf** B.S. '85, M.S. '91, M.S. '96, St. Paul, is senior field human resources manager for HMS Host at the Minneapolis Airport. **Barbara Meisenheimer Mitchell** '85, DeKalb, Ill., is an art specialist for Huntley School District. **Charles Moder** '85, Northfield, Minn., is a quality assurance engineer at FMC Food Tech-Frigoscandia. **David Waldschmidt** '85, De Pere, is director of packaging systems at Green Bay Packaging.

Kelly Theder Butler '86 is the business manager for Rio Grande Railway Preservation Corp., Chama, N.M. **Debra Lindh Odom** '86, president of Gbiginc, announced the opening of their fifth Subway Restaurant in Edmond, Okla.

Jean-Marie Dauplaise '87 is a visiting assistant professor at Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville, Ga. **Joseph Huftel** '87, Phillips, is the new principal at Phillips High School. **Karen Munings Jacobson** '87 is a planner/designer for SRF Consulting Group Inc., Minneapolis. Jacobson was the designer and project manager for Landmark Plaza, St. Paul's newest urban park which was completed the fall of 2002. **Jay Jones** B.S. '87, Minneapolis, has earned a master's degree in global hospitality from UW-Stout. Jones is a quality insurance inspector for Hilton Hotels Corp. **Brian Kraimer** '87 is vice president of Agfa Monotype, Elk Grove Village, Ill. **Kevin Kufahl** '87 is a senior account manager for Weyerhaeuser, Manitowoc.

Jeffrey Barsness '88 is a purchasing agent for Berg Co., Madison. **Angela Abrahamson Morgan** '88 is an area coordinator/senior therapist at Autism & Behavioral Consultants, Fond du Lac. **Wayne Parmley** '88 is creative director at OEC Graphics Inc., Oshkosh. **Virginia Williams** M.S. '88, Stevens Point, was presented the Wisconsin Association of Student Council Meritorious Membership Award in April. Virginia is a guidance counselor for the Stevens Point School District.

1989-1992

Michael Hubbard M.S. '89, Knoxville, Tenn., has recently joined the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) as a group manager for its Science and Engineering Education (SEE) organization. SEE is responsible for developing, implementing and operating programs that encourage faculty, students and recent graduates to study, conduct research or pursue careers in science, engineering, mathematics and other technical fields. **Richard Manor** '89, Weyerhaeuser, received the Leavey Award for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education which recognizes teachers and educators across the country whose innovative programs help build and support the next generation of

America's business leaders. Manor is a technology education teacher at Weyerhaeuser High School. **Christopher Perri** '89, is a senior systems technician at Eau Claire Press Co., Eau Claire.

Jeffrey Baryenbruch '90, Chicago, Ill., is director of sales and marketing at the Omni Ambassador East Hotel. **Shane Cleasby** '90 was recently promoted to regional application engineering manager at Rockwell Automation, Milwaukee. **Kari Liestman Dahl** B.S. '90, M.S. '92, Menomonie, was named UW-Stout's interim People Process Culture chair. **Mark Eystad** '90 is president of Mark 1045 Inc., Marietta, Ga. **Catherine Graf** '90, Woodbury, Minn., has earned a master of arts in organizational management from Concordia University. She is a scheduler for Banta, Maple Grove, Minn. **Craig Nelson** '90, Kaukauna, is director of technical sales for AAntec LLC. **Kristen Larson Nielsen** '90 is a graphic designer at SPI Design Group, St. Paul, Minn. **Patrick Perry** '90 is assistant general manager at Great Wolf Lodge, Traverse City, Mich. **Steven Tietel** '90 is a sommelier and assistant manager at the Lake Elmo Inn, Lake Elmo, Minn. **Pamela Rahn Weltzien** '90, Galesville, is an occupational therapist at Tri-County Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home. **James Wischhoff** '90 is a senior sales manager for Akebono Corp., Buffalo Grove, Ill.

James Fisher '91 is a purchasing and supply management specialist with the United States Postal Service, Merrifield, Va. **Kelly Sleeter Fisher** '91 is art director at The Goltz Seering Agency Inc., Green Bay. **Peggy Hughes Rasberry** '91 is a job developer for ASPIRO, Green Bay.

Michael Frits '92 is director of front office and guest services at The Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, Ill. **Jeanne Stolp** M.S. '92 is a sales consultant for Ashley Furniture, Arcadia.

1993-1996

Kathleen Peters Beseler '93 is a social worker for Winnebago County Department of Human Services, Oshkosh. **Barbara Greer** '93 is a sales manager for JQH/Embassy Suites, Omaha, Neb. **Mark Mantegna** '93 is the recreation director at The Breakers, Palm Beach, Fla.

Troy Cleasby '94 is a senior software engineer with Thomson-West, Eagan, Minn. **Peter Hoffman** '94 is a sales manager for North Central States Marketing, Lakeville, Minn. **Holly Glodoski Lilly** '94 is an inside account manager for Georgia Pacific Corp., Atlanta. **Steven** '94 and **Laurie Hickethier Moyer** '95 reside in White Bear Lake, Minn. Steven is a computer programmer with Empi, Shoreview, Minn.; Laurie is a dietitian with the St. Croix County Department of Health and Human Services, New Richmond. **David Novak** '94 is fabrication manager at KAPCO, Grafton. **Anthony Pergande** '94 is the general manager of Applebee's, Pewaukee. **David Sansone** '94, Hudson, is a food service director for Compass Group USA. **Brad** '94 and **Lynn Olander Seehafer** '94 reside in Madison, Ala. Brad was promoted to regional vice president of operations for La Quinta Inns Inc.; Lynn is a Title One teacher for Madison City Schools.

Stephanie Warner Beal '95 is a retail manager at Epcot, Walt Disney World Co., Lake Buena Vista, Fla. **Patrick Cyr** M.S. '95, Windham, Maine, founded a risk control consulting company in 2002. **Nicole Fallenstein** '95, Los Angeles, is a costumer in the wardrobe department of the television series "Angel" on the WB network. **Christopher Pope** '95, Appleton, has earned a master's degree in organizational leadership and quality control from Marion College. He is a senior account manager for Aramark Refreshment Services.

Boyd Bodenburg '96, Elk Mound, is assistant hardware merchandiser for Menards Inc., Eau Claire. **Sean Borgardt** B.S. '96, M.S. '97 is a computer systems engineer with Appleton Coated LLC, Combined Locks. **Janis O'Hara Bridges** B.A. '96, M.S. '02 is a program coordinator for Barron County Restorative Justice Programs Inc., Rice Lake. **Kevin Frank** '96 is a PC support specialist for Ariens Co., Brillion. **Gayle Hamann Grohall** '96 is manager at Hudson's Classic Bar & Grill, Wausau. **Amy Scheer Keating** '96, Edina, Minn., is a décor specialist for SuperValu. **Michelle Kammen Mozzar** '96, Woodbury, Minn., has earned a master of arts degree in management from The College of Saint Scholastica. **Paul Seggelink** '96

is a quality assurance supervisor/engineer for Pierce Mfg., Appleton. **Michael Snyder** '96 is a first grade teacher at Crestview Elementary School, Cottage Grove, Minn.

1997-1999

Mark Beise '97 is a technology education teacher at Rice Lake High School and is working on a master's degree in education. **Stephanie Caddy** '97, clubhouse/operations manager at Point O Woods Golf & Country Club, Benton Harbor, Mich., has achieved the designation of "Certified Club Manager" from the Club Managers Association of America. **Karne Dunshee** '97 is a graphic designer/marketing assistant with Kowalski's Markets, Woodbury, Minn. **David Gray** '97, River Falls, is a building inspector for the city of Hudson. **Dana Heitman** '97 is a consultant for new project development at CBS Music City Printing & Mailing, Nashville, Tenn. **April Lang Jordan** '97 is general manager of LaQuinta Inns, Corpus Christi, Texas. **Randy Kliment** '97 is the executive rooms director at Fox Hills Resort, Mishicot. **Angela Christenson Ruchti** B.S. '97, M.S. '99, Menomonie, is a guidance counselor at Spring Valley Middle School/High School. **Kimberly Warren** '97 is a first grade teacher for Creighton School District, Phoenix. **Heidi Wendolek** '97 is an account supervisor for BBDO Chicago in Chicago.

Jesse Aalberg '98 is a technical architect for United Health Group, Golden Valley, Minn. **Joell Taylor Anders** '98, Fall Creek, is a first grade teacher at Osseo Elementary School and is working on a master's degree in education. **Rick Carlson** '98 is the owner/manager of Carlson's Rustic Ridge, Friendship. **Amy Doepke** '98 is assistant director of human resources for Hyatt Regency Irvine, Irvine, Calif. **Melanie Garvey Eskildsen** '98 is program director at Growing Hands Daycare & Preschool, Waupaca. **Julie DeVriend Fulton** '98 is a dietitian at American Healthways Diabetes Treatment Center, Richmond, Va. **Thomas McComb** B.S. '98, M.S. '00, Lexington, Ky., is director of human resources at Galls, a division of Aramark. **Paul Smuda** '98 is a lithographer for The Printery, Rice Lake.

James Bloms M.S. '99 is owner of The James Sheeley House Restaurant and Saloon, Chippewa Falls. **Andrew Carlson** '99 is a senior sales executive for Danka Office Imaging, Englewood, Colo. **Karen Hatfield** '99, Elk Mound, has joined the law firm of Hansen, Dordell, Bradt, Odlag & Bradt as an associate attorney. **Jason Kern** '99 is a production planner for LaForce Inc., Green Bay. **Alex Lockovitch** '99 is a product manager for Bard Access Systems, Salt Lake City. **Kristin Manion Maas** '97 is a technical support engineer at Unimax Systems Corp., Minneapolis. **Andrew Neumann** '99 is a front desk supervisor for Carlson Companies, Plymouth, Minn. **Bradley Rowe** '99 is a sales executive with MDI, San Diego. **Tara Tepe Tannhauser** '99 is an advance sales associate with Walt Disney World-Disney Vacation Club, Celebration, Fla.

2000-2002

Ethan Aibly '00 is a display designer for Best Buy Co. Inc. Corporate Headquarters, Eden Prairie, Minn. **Sarah Fox Balts** '00 is a design consultant for First Supply Eau Claire/Gerhards, Eau Claire. **Angie Adams Boos** '00, Chippewa Falls, is a kindergarten teacher for Fall Creek School District. **Marla Place Butler** '00 is an infant/toddler specialist for West CAP, Glenwood City. **Loren Daane** '00, Appleton, is a technology education teacher for Appleton Area School District. **Hilary DeLap** '00 is a clinical therapist with All Saints Healthcare, Racine. **Jessica Dempze Dupuis** MS '00, Amery, is a guidance counselor at Osceola Intermediate School. **Brent** '00 and **Nicole Segar Fitzgerald** '00 reside in Champlin, Minn. Brent is the manager of a new restaurant, Nick & Tony's, in Minneapolis; Nicole is the dining services manager at Golden Valley Golf and Country Club. **Laura Froehling** '00 is a photographer for The Imagery, Burnsville, Minn. **Angela Kropelnicki Gruber** '00 is a conference coordinator at Kirkland Air Force Inns, Kirkland Air Force Base, N.M. **Lael Hall** '00 is a telecommunication systems administrator for the Ho-Chunk Nation, Baraboo. **Melissa Hartman** '00 is a graphic designer for Foote & Co., St. Paul, Minn. **Amanda Hebel** '00 is

a family and consumer sciences teacher at Northfield High School, Northfield, Minn. **Eric Homan** '00 is a product designer for Restoration Hardware, Corte Madera, Calif. **Jeffrey Hutter** '00 is a financial analyst with Kimberly-Clark, Beech Island, S.C. **Jesse Jerabek** '00 is an industrial designer for Watermark Paddle Sports Inc., Easley, S.C. **Heather Hopkins Kurth** '00 is a prekindergarten teacher at St. John the Baptist Elementary School, Plum City. **Dorothea Macon** M.S. '00, Milwaukee, is an instructor at Milwaukee Area Technical College. She is pursuing a doctorate in educational policy and leadership at Marquette University. **David Montguire** '00 is a project coordinator for James Craig Builders Inc., Wauwatosa. **Jill Gibson Schutz** '00 is a third grade teacher at Lien Elementary School, Amery. **Michael Seffern** '00 is an estimator for Morton Buildings, Morton, Ill. **Tina Sodren** is a technical designer for Northern Cap Mfg. Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

Laura Aleckson '01, Ettrick, is a teacher at Melrose-Mindoro High School. **Gregory Braun** '01 is a CAD specialist for Ashley Furniture, Arcadia. **Janet Carter** '01 recently earned a master's degree in nutrition from Boston University. She is an outpatient dietitian at Saints Memorial Medical Center, Lowell, Mass. **Cassandra Crnecki** '01 is dining room manager at Wayzata Country Club, Wayzata, Minn. **Angela Dachel** '01 is a benefit specialist for XMI Corp., Chippewa Falls. **Brian Diemel** '01 is a production supervisor for Greenheck Fan Corp., Schofield. **Michael Fabel** '01, Rochester, Minn., is an industrial engineer for Cannon Equipment Co. **Amy Gabel** '01, Menomonie, is a preschool teacher for Elk Mound School District. **Michael Gilgenbach** '01 is the owner of MJG Consulting Inc., Lakeview, Ill. **Diane Hassler** '01 is working on a master of arts degree in forensic psychology at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York City. **Bjorn Helgeson** '01 is a project manager with the United States Air Force, Arnold Air Force Base, Tenn. **Robyn Poppe Janssen** '01 is a program therapist for University Day Community, Minneapolis. **John Jones** '01, Fargo, N.D., is a technology education instructor for the School District of Fargo. **Erin Cramer Krueger** '01 is a graphic design specialist at National Presto Industries, Eau Claire. **Jonathan** '01 and **Ruth May Lee** '00 reside in St. Paul, Minn. Jonathan is a marketing research consultant at Percepta; Ruth is lead teacher for Ramsey Action Program. **Dain Lindquist** '01, Corning, N.Y., is a clinical dietitian. **Tanya Miller** '01 is a middle school art teacher for Thompson School District, Loveland, Colo. **Gina Schaefer** '01 is an employment coordinator for Workforce Connections Inc., Black River Falls. **Aaron Staut** M.S. '01, Rice Lake, is a middle school guidance counselor with Cumberland School District. **Katja De Haney Wilson** '01 is a production artist for Cramer-Krasselt, Milwaukee.

Tashai Scales Atkins M.S. '02 is an adjudicator at the Unemployment Benefit Center, Eau Claire. **Ryan Dewey** '02 is a technology education teacher for the Hopkins School District, Hopkins, Minn. **Jennifer Faber** '02 is a reporter for the Monticello Times & Shopper, Monticello, Minn. **Tim Gluth** '02, New Berlin, has joined North Shore Bank as webmaster. **Timothy Hahn** '02 is a construction superintendent for Hans Hagen Homes, Kiel. **Viva Green Johanknecht** M.S. '02 is a clinical dietitian at Wisconsin Veterans Home, King. **Jonathan Johnson** '02 is a project manager for Pember Excavating, Menomonie. **Alison West Kurth** '02 is a product engineer at Deluxe Corp., Shoreview, Minn. **Nicole Riederer** '02 is a research and development analyst for Taylor Corp., North Mankato, Minn. **Joshua Stumpner** '02 is a safety director/project manager at James J. Calmes Construction, Kaukauna.

Marriages

Neva Harmeling '45 to Paul Sutton, June 14, 2003. Couple resides in Southfield, Mich. Elaine Laird to **Richard T. Anderson** '57, Nov. 7, 2003. Couple resides in Waukesha.

Jan Engmark to **Timothy Peterson** B.S. '72, M.S. '86, Oct. 12, 2002. Couple resides in Shakopee, Minn. **Kristey Nielsen** '78 to Thomas Richardson, April 12, 2002. Couple resides in Santa Claus, Ind.

Catherine and **Michael Becker** B.S. '80, M.S.

'83, Feb. 16, 2002. Couple resides in Plano, Texas. Beth Leisses to **Paul Helm** '83, Nov. 11, 2002. Couple resides in Brownsville. **Barbara Hill** '85 to Jeffrey Burke, May 2002. Couple resides in Michigan City, Ind. **Dawn Gemlo Koepper** '85 to Craig Howe, June 22, 2002. Couple resides in Cedarburg. **Ilissa Greenberg** '86 to Kenneth Kahn, Nov. 2002. Couple resides in Los Angeles, Calif. Lynn Rogers to **Andrew Chappa** '87, March 15, 2003. Couple resides in Sheboygan. **Kristi Glassco** '89 to Daryl Emery, May 10, 2002. Couple resides in Wayzata, Minn. Stefanie Pusateri to **Christopher Perri** '89, Sept. 21, 2002. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls.

Sally and **Mark Eystad** '90, Aug. 3, 2002. Couple resides in Marietta, Ga. **Jacquelyn Gilbert** '90 to Sherman Mulberry, Nov. 2002. Couple resides in Slinger. **Kathryn Zipperer** '90 to Steve Ruessegger, Oct. 5, 2002. Couple resides in DeForest. **Kathleen Corrigan** '91 to William Howe, April 2003. Couple resides in St. Paul, Minn. **Ross** '91 and **Robin Olson**, May 10, 2003. Couple resides in Chicago. **Mary Moore** '92 to Brad Ostrander, June 2002. Couple resides in Indianapolis. **Rhonda Grzyb** B.S. '94, M.S. '99 to John Krista, Sept. 14, 2002. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. Brenda Gordon to **Patrick Cyr** M.S. '95, June 2002. Couple resides in Windham, Maine. **Laurie Hickethier** '95 to **Steven Moyer** '94, Aug. 3, 2002. Couple resides in White Bear Lake, Minn. **Lisa Salopek** '95 to Mike Maxon, Dec. 7, 2002. Couple resides in Genoa City. **Stephanie Warner** '95 to Peter Beal, Jan. 11, 2003. Couple resides in Clermont, Fla. Jane Agazzi to **Paul Seggelink** '96, July 5, 2002. Couple resides in Greenville. Terry Berg to **Daniel Frase** '96, Aug. 31, 2002. Couple resides in San Antonio. **Gayle Hamann** '96 to Jim Grohall, Nov. 16, 2002. Couple resides in Wausau. **Joyce Hrad** '96 to **Christopher Anderson** '93, June 29, 2002. Couple resides in Rochester, Minn. **Stefanie Snyder** '96 to **Michael Jax** B.S. '92, M.S. '94, May 3, 2003. Couple resides in Menomonie. Alison Weess to **Daniel Laurent** '96, April 12, 2003. Couple resides in Two Rivers. **Carmen Baker** '97 to Greg Peterson, Aug. 24, 2002. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. **April Lang** '97 to Cory Jordan, May 17, 2003. Couple resides in Corpus Christi, Texas. **Audra Stanek** '97 to Roy Bissen, Oct. 26, 2002. Couple resides in Osseo. Jennifer Theisen to **Kevin Hein** '97, Nov. 9, 2002. Couple resides in Kewaskum. **Robin Barrett** '98 to Jerad Hoff, Oct. 19, 2002. Couple resides in Plymouth, Minn. **Julie DeVriend** '98 to William Fulton, May 31, 2002. Couple resides in Richmond, Va. **Kristine Doverspike** '98 to Eric Tree, Aug. 30, 2003. Couple resides in Rochester, Minn. **Ardella Pieper** '98 to Jeffrey Schoeneck, Nov. 22, 2002. Couple resides in Minneapolis. **Tammy Boe** B.S. '99, M.S. '02 to Joel Harper, Jan. 11, 2003. Couple resides in Menomonie. Christina Bruns to **Jeffrey Mand** '99, March 15, 2003. Couple resides in Madison. Gilda Duncab to **Michael Halbleib** '99, Oct. 26, 2002. Couple resides in Eagan, Minn. **Lara Kallevang** '99 to **Brett Danke** B.S. '98, M.S. '99, April 26, 2003. Couple resides in Mosinee. **Petra McDonald** '99 to Mathew King, July 12, 2003. Couple resides in Brooklyn Park, Minn. Sara Norder to **Cameron Hendrickson** '99, Sept. 6, 2002. Couple resides in Appleton. **Lisa Ricksford** '99 to **Evan Sparks** '99, Aug. 31, 2002. Couple resides in Madison. **Arrin Truax** '99 to Brian Cvar, Sept. 21, 2002. Couple resides in Mosinee. Lindsay Turnquist to **Philip Ourada** '99, July 6, 2002. Couple resides in West Bend. Lace Vogel to **Jesse Miller** '99, June 1, 2002. Couple resides in Luxemburg.

Angie Adams '00 to Benjamin Boos, July 27, 2002. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. Barb and **Christopher Bondioli** '00, July 27, 2002. Couple resides in Wisconsin Rapids. Alissa and **Jesse Jerabek** '00, April 20, 2002. Couple resides in Greenville, S.C. **Ruth May** '00 to **Jonathan Lee** '01, Aug. 10, 2002. Couple resides in St. Paul, Minn. Toni Potter to **Joseph Makovsky** '00, Sept. 14, 2003. Couple resides in Eau Claire. **Nicole Segar** '00 to **Brent Fitzgerald** '00, Aug. 10, 2002. Couple resides in Champlin, Minn. Sarah Tessmer to **Aaron Werth** '00, Aug. 9, 2002. Couple resides in Wausau. Kari and **David Burkey** '01, Oct. 26, 2002. Couple resides in Adamsville, Ohio. **Elizabeth Caverly** '01 to **Brian Knapp** '02, Sept. 21, 2002. Couple resides in Red Wing, Minn. **Erin Cramer** '01 to Kyle Krueger, Oct. 5, 2002. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. **Jennifer Crowe** '01 to **David Kowieski** '98, March 15, 2003. Couple resides in Menomonie. **Katja De Haney** '01 to Donald Wilson,

Sept. 7, 2002. Couple resides in South Milwaukee. Teri and **Ryan Lewallen** '01, Oct. 26, 2002. Couple resides in Manitowoc. **Robyn Poppe** '01 to Jeremy Janssen, May 31, 2003. Couple resides in Woodbury, Minn. **Angela Rivard** '01 to Jason Saxton, Sept. 21, 2002. Couple resides in Elk Mound. **Carol Stenberg** '01 to **Mark Hartmann** '01, Aug. 31, 2002. Couple resides in St. Cloud, Minn. Kara Walkes to **Michael Fabel** '01, Sept. 14, 2002. Couple resides in Rochester, Minn. Tassie Weber to **Emory Blackstone** '01, Nov. 9, 2002. Couple resides in Coon Rapids, Minn. **Stacy Fleming** '02 to **Edward Kreitzman** '02, July 12, 2003. Couple resides in Lincoln, Neb. Krystin and **Nicholas Gabay** '02, April 12, 2003. Couple resides in Hudson. Alia Ricci to **Jonathan Johnson** '02, Sept. 28, 2002. Couple resides in Menomonie. **Tashai Scales** M.S. '02 to Timothy Atkins, Aug. 10, 2002. Couple resides in Eau Claire. **Andrea Schwabender** '02 to **Jason Jones** '01, May 17, 2003. Couple resides in Coon Rapids, Minn. Jill Thorson to **Joshua Stumpner** '02, Sept. 14, 2002. Couple resides in Green Bay. **Alison West** '02 to Chad Kurth, Oct. 26, 2002. Couple resides in Minneapolis. **Anna Williams** '02 to **Mike Steinke** '02, July 20, 2002. Couple resides in Oak Creek.

Births

A son, Matthew Whalen, June 17, to **Michael McLain** '68 and Christine Whalen, Madison. A daughter, Sophie Rose, Dec. 23, 2002, to Craig and **Julie "Jap" Pecina Ahern** '80, Waukegan, Ill. Twin daughters, Ann and Mary, Sept. 5, 2002, to **Steven** '81 and **Michelle Bjorngaard Sandeen** '84, Cannon Falls, Minn. A daughter, Dominique Marie, May 1, 2003, to **Douglas** B.S. '84, M.S. '86 and **Deborah Del Bianco Mauhar** B.S. '87, M.S. '89, West Allis. A daughter, Renee Julie Anna, April 2003, to **John** '85 and Alice **Miller**, York, Pa. A son, Garrett Daniel, Sept. 22, 2002, to Daniel and **Barbara Meisenheimer Mitchell** '85, DeKalb, Ill. A son, Benjamin Patrick, June 6, 2002, to Patrick and **Judith Amundson Keenan** '86, Glenview, Ill. A son, Colin Joseph, Jan. 22, 2003, to Clayton and **Nancy Osterndorff Merwin** '86, Livingston. A daughter, Isabel Elizabeth, Dec. 17, 2002, to Jeremy and **Amy Nelson Brisson** '88, Green Bay. A daughter, Maylin Nicole, Aug. 27, 2002, to **Stuart** '88 and **Karrie Kretz Henning** '90, Bloomington, Ill. A son, William James, Jan. 29, 2003, to **Bruce** '88 and Jean Hoppe, St. Paul, Minn. A daughter, Chloe Somer, Aug. 4, to **Robert** '88 and **Audrey Carlone Millard** '89, St. Louis Park, Minn. A son, Ethan Craig, Oct. 20, 2003, to **Craig** '89 and **Melissa Magolski Anderson** '89, Hudson. A daughter, Leah Marie, Feb. 2, 2002, to **Daniel** '89 and Julie Doucette, De Forest.

A son, Jacob Kenneth, March 24, 2003, to **Chris** '90 and **Cheryl Wagner Larson** B.S. '88, M.S. '90, Menomonie. A son, Dylan Thomas, Oct. 26, 2002, to **Gerald** '91 and **Rita McPherson Lingen** '94, Stanley. A son, Luke Ronald, Aug. 8, 2002, to **Tom** '91 and **Teresa Vanderperren Abrahamson** '91, Green Bay. A son, Lucas David, June 17, 2003, to David and **Denise Hunter Pask** '91, Mounds View, Minn. A son, Jack Collin, Jan. 25, 2003, to **Randy** '92 and **Susan Chapman Campbell** '91, Watertown. A son, Connor James, Sept. 3, 2002, to **Craig** '92 and Natalie Cardell, Hastings, Minn. Triplets, Jordan, Jonathan and Isaiah, to **Tim** '92 and **Julie Dorsey Mlsna** '92, St. Michael, Minn. A daughter, Macy Anne, June 24, 2002, to Andres and **Julianne Hastings Taylor** B.S. '92, M.S. '98, Ed.S. '01, Menomonie. A daughter, Ashley, Nov. 6, 2002, to **Eric** '92 and Beth **Zerfas**, Hermitage, Tenn. A son, Neil Anthony, July 2, 2002, to **Neil** '93 and **Jamie Siler Bretl** '92, Racine. Twins, Sydney Mae and Kyle Thomas, March 14, 2003, to **Patrick** '93 and **Traci Siler Christensen** '93, Rockford, Minn. A son, Michael Hunter, Jan. 26, 2003, to Jeffery and **Deborah Bemis Folsom** '93, Roseville, Minn. A son, Jackson Lawrence, May 26, 2002, to **Brett** M.S. '93 and **Cheryl Lawrence Morgan** '94, Hayward. A son, Norman Thomas, Oct. 24, 2002, to Matthew and **Shelly Aldrich Rothbauer** '93, St. Paul, Minn. A daughter, Claire Ceilidh, Sept. 17, 2002, to Stephen and **Kelly Schmidler Svastics** '93, Encino, Calif. A son, Nathan Alexander, May 20, to Jonathan and **Laura Jensen Ware** '93, Mashpee, Mass. A daughter, Macy Jo, Sept. 9, 2002, to **Troy** '94 and **Kimberly Buttjer Cleasby** '95, Prescott. A son, Logan Dean, Jan. 7, 2002, to Dean and **Carmen**

Births (continued)

Conaway DeBack '94, Jackson. A son, Stone James, April 27, 2003, to Kevin and **Kory Asselin Johnson** B.S. '94, M.S. '97, Baraboo. A son, Noah, Dec. 20, 2002, to **Bradley** '94 and **Tena Preissel**, Wisconsin Dells. A daughter, Kaleigh, March 12, 2002, to **David** '94 and **Julie Dostal Sansone** '94, Hudson. A son, Aaron James, Nov. 3, 2001, to Thomas and **Karri Spanbauer Blied** '95, Green Bay. A daughter, Sophia Clare Sebio Calvesio, Sept. 22, 2002, to **Gina Calvesio** '95 and Mike Sebio, Apple Valley, Minn. A son, Ethan Nelson, Dec. 31, 2002, to **Eric** '95 and **Amy DeCurtins Double** '94, Woodbury, Minn. A daughter, Maggie Lynn, April 4, 2003, to **Tony** '95 and **Sharon Holifield Kempen** '95, Phillips. A daughter, Olivia Kay, Nov. 12, 2002, to Allen and **Carrie Sankey Fisher** '95, Skokie, Ill. A daughter, Ava Christina, April 12, 2002, to Troy and **Tasha Peck Schmidt** '95, Green Bay. A daughter, Kayla Marie, May 1, 2002, to Craig and **Sherri Bennett Scholfield** '95, Colfax. A daughter, Caitlyn Mary, May 15, 2002, to **Boyd** '96 and **Carrie Bodenburg**, Elk Mound. A daughter, Grace Christine,

Oct. 3, 2002, to **Timothy** '96 and **Molli Ehrenberg Flood** '97, Nekoosa. A son, Lucas Brant, May 1, 2002, to Jason and **Maren Brown Geyen** '96, Rogers, Minn. A daughter, McKenna Lenore, Jan. 7, 2003, to Nick and **Jamie Corullo Gilbertson** '96, Minocqua. A son, Owen Wade, Feb. 9, 2002, to Mark and **Amy Scheer Keating** '96, Edina, Minn. A daughter, Emma Grace, May 21, 2002, to **Michael** '96 and **Natasha Snyder**, Cottage Grove, Minn. A daughter, Marina Lee, Aug. 27, 2002, to Dan and **Dina Johnson Dupre** '97, Andover, Minn. A daughter, Kinzie Joy, April 29, 2002, to **David** '97 and **Tania Gray**, River Falls. A son, Konnor Kelly, Feb. 7, 2003, to Kelly and **Laurel Schneider Hill** '97, Delavan. A daughter, Kate Elizabeth, Jan. 22, 2003, to **Randy** '97 and **Emily Kliment**, Mishicot. A daughter, Sydney Jean, April 14, 2003, to **Jason** '97 and **Kimberly Dollard Langille** '98, Sun Prairie. A daughter, Raleigh Elaine, Jan. 2, 2003, to **Thomas** '97 and **Patricia Spanheimer Rein** '93, Eagan, Minn. A son, Parker, Oct. 17, to **Craig** '97 and **Jill Gibson Schutz** '00, Baldwin. A son, Kyle David, July 10,

2003, to Jeff and **Katherine Stapleton Staus** '97, Hartford. A daughter, Addison Grace, Nov. 7, 2002, to **Ted** and **Jennifer Mahnke Marum** '98, Mondovi. A daughter, Amanda Marie, April 8, 2002, to **Terry** '98 and **Angela Christenson Ruchti** B.S. '97, M.S. '99, Menomonie. A son, Ethan Mark, Jan. 10, 2003, to **Seth** '98 and **Melissa Kufahl Hemmersbach** '99, Bangor. A son, Benjamin Thomas, Aug. 13, 2002, to **Jeremy** '98 and **Julie Boe Pichler** '99, Mondovi. A daughter, Lily Mae, Oct. 25, 2002, to **Lisa Severson** '98, Franklin. A son, Kaleb Lucas, March 17, 2003, to Kevin and **Susan Scanlan Ward** '98, Benton. A son, John Tyler, Oct. 1, 2003, to **Javan** '98 and **Jenny Zuege Wehmeier** B.S. '97, M.S. '03, Elkhorn. A daughter, Abigail Colleen, Aug. 7, 2002, to Jeffrey and **Michelle Breault Aune** '99, Clear Lake. A daughter, Lilla Rose, Jan. 22, 2003, to James and **Rosamond Rydberg Birch** '99, Oshkosh. A son, Ethan Dalen, Sept. 12, 2002, to **Ryan** '99 and **Hilary Thalacker Ledebuhr** '00, Maple Grove, Minn. A son, Ethan Joseph, Jan. 7, 2003, to **Mark** '99 and **Tammy July**

Levra '99, Elk Mound. A daughter, Elsa Rose, Feb. 8, 2003, to Robert and **Kristin Manion Maas** '99, Golden Valley, Minn. A son, Spencer Edward, Jan. 28, 2003, to **Matthew** '99 and **Jessica Smith**, Pardeeville. A daughter, Madison Lynn, April 24, 2002, to William and **Tara Tepe Tannhauser** '99, Clermont, Fla.

A daughter, Victoria Rebecca, Jan. 28, 2003, to William and **Marla Place Butler** '00, Woodville. A son, Jesse James, Sept. 3, 2002, to Shane and **Jessica Dempze Dupuis** M.S. '00, Amery. A son, June 25, 2002, to Jeffrey and **Karla Mathews Fennie** M.S. '01, La Crosse. A daughter, Angelique Kathryn, April 4, 2003, to Chad and **Tamera Johnson Hill** M.S. '01, West Salem. A daughter, Emily Elizabeth, March 16, 2003, to Christian King and **Teresa Kothbauer** M.S. '01, Roseville, Minn. A son, Titus Allen, Oct. 21, 2002, to Todd and **Heather Wallace Raddatz** '01, Somers. A daughter, Macayla, April 16, 2003, to **Matthew** '02 and **Sarah Holden Thompson** '01, Neenah.

Deaths

Elsie Anderson Dip '23, Aug. 3, 2003, Wausau. **Winifred Sprague Branch** '29, Jan. 14, 2003, Caledonia, Minn. **John "Jack" Notebaart** '29, April 10, 2003, Appleton.

Janet Clark Winn '30, May 22, 2001, Wisconsin Dells. **Mildred Haggard Rowe** '32, May 22, 2001, Sun Prairie. **Gerhard "Jerry" Roe** '33, Jan. 11, Milwaukee. **Helen Owen Bittner** '34, Oct. 6, 2002, Holland, Mich. **Merlin Ekern** '34, April 14, 2001, Hilo, Hawaii. **Dick Klatt** B.S. '35, M.S. '49, Dec. 27, 2002, Menomonie. **John S. Williams** '36, Feb. 2003, Carlton, Ore. **Sarah Peck Garnhart** '37, Nov. 23, 2003, Shell Lake. **Magdaline Koss Dhuey** '38, July 11, 2003, Green Valley, Ariz. **Walter La Tondresse** B.S. '38, M.S. '48, June 6, 2003, Austin, Minn. **Marion Wagner Longbotham** '38, May 3, 2003, Sauk City. **Leo Styer** '38, April 27, 2003, Sarasota, Fla. **Ruth Fahling Brake** '39, April 29, 2003, Raytown, Mo. **Jeannette Slamen Houle** '39, Minneapolis, Minn.

James Peterman '41, Aug. 25, 2003, Kenosha. **Ann Rudow Chartraw** B.S. '42, M.S. '53, Feb. 23, Carson City, Nev. **Adrian Dorsch** '42, Jan. 5, Prairie

Village, Kans. **Everett Hasse** '42, Nov. 13, 2003, Elkhorn. **Arlan Johnson** '42, Feb. 20, 2002, Lake City, Minn. **Charles Steber** B.S. '42, M.S. '47, Jan. 24, 2003, Klamath Falls, Ore. **Winston Vasey** '42, Jan. 18, Menomonie. **Jack Hammond** '43, Nov. 28, 2003, Menomonie. **Doris Keup Albrecht** '44, Oct. 17, 2002, Oshkosh. **Caroline Johnson Hicks** '44, Aug. 17, 2003, Pollock Pines, Calif. **Phyllis Knowles Ahlquist** '45, Feb. 8, 2003, Rhinelander. **Ernest Sandeen** '46, Dec. 4, 2002, Richfield, Minn. **Gordon Snoeyenbos** '46, Nov. 28, 2002, Decatur, Ill. **John Baird** '47, Aug. 4, 2002, Sacramento, Calif. **Shirley Waseen Doane** '47, Aug. 5, 2003, Menomonie. **Dorothy Kopschkie Doege** '47, Jan. 19, 2003, Chippewa Falls. **Clarence "Merk" Merkley** '48, April 8, 2002, Siren. **Joy Erickson Merkley** '48, Nov. 9, 2002, Siren. **Robert Lynch** B.S. '49, M.S. '50, April 8, 2002, Madison. **Duane Payleitner** '49, Dec. 5, 2002, Geneva, Ill.

Richard Bice '50, March 27, 2003, Edgerton. **Robert Crowley** '50, Sept. 15, 2002, Cedar Falls, Iowa. **Donald Van Bramer** '51, Nov. 16, 2002, Grand Forks, N.D. **Emery Nelson** '51, July 20, 2003,

Stillwater, Minn. **Milan Huley** '52, Sept. 29, 2003, Leesburg, Fla. **Raymond Luhrsen** B.S. '52, M.S. '53, Nov. 10, 2002, Bradenton, Fla. **Nancy Hauser Benson** '53, Sept. 8, 2002, Marshfield. **Mary Ann Moore Constantine** '53, Aug. 14, 2002, Southgate, Mich. **William Kieffer** '53, Sept. 5, 2002, Lake City, Minn. **John Wilson** B.S. '53, M.S. '67, July 6, 2003, Madison. **Samson Mikitarian** '54, Basye, Va. **Ronald Wilhelm** B.S. '56, M.S. '68, Nov. 1, 2002, Madison. **Barbara Sommerhalder Ketoff** B.S. '57, M.S. '59, Dubuque, Iowa. **Francis Karraker** '58, Feb. 18, 2003, Westfield. **Ernest Oyama** '58, Feb. 26, 2003, Loyal. **Gerald Schemansky** '58, March 25, 2003, Grayslake, Ill. **William Wulf** B.S. '58, M.S. '67, April 17, 2003, Menomonie.

Linda Oldenburg Pagels B.S. '60, M.S. '68, Sept. 14, 2003, Salem. **John "Pete" Peterson** '60, July 26, 2003, Beaver Dam. **Harry Herbert** M.S. '64, Feb. 26, Crossville, Tenn. **Josephine Ryan McLain** '64, Dec. 25, 2003, Menomonie. **Wayne Elinger** B.S. '67, M.S. '71, Sept. 2, 2002, Spokane, Wash. **Kenneth Held** B.S. '60, M.S. '61, Oct. 13, 2002, Superior. **Richard Kahl**

M.S. '66, Oct. 31, 2002, Rice Lake. **Dean Wickman** '67, Dec. 5, 2002, Green Lake. **Patricia Dresden Prock** '69, June 25, 2003, Sparta.

Margaret Prideaux Nash B.S. '70, M.S. '71, May 5, 2003, Arbor Vitae. **Shirley Johnson Stewart** B.S. '70, M.S. '73, M.S. '74, Oct. 25, 2003, Menomonie. **David L. Rasmussen** '72, May 25, 2003, Menomonie. **Robert Riederer** M.S. '72, Jan. 10, 2002, Racine. **Lawrence Schneck** '72, July 4, 2003, South St. Paul, Minn. **Wendy Denzin Behling** '73, June 2003, Oak Creek. **James Rolbiecki** M.S. '73, May 22, 2003, Eau Claire. **Charles "Chuck" Muller** '76, Nov. 26, 2002, Oshkosh. **Sylvan Sundby** '77, March 26, 2003, Menomonie. **Jeff Trammell** '78, Nov. 18, 2002, Milwaukee.

Mark Huftel '80, Feb. 5, 2003, Eau Claire. **Richard H. Good** '82, Nov. 10, 2002, East Troy. **Mark A. Johnson** '86, Feb. 4, 2002, White Bear Lake, Minn. **William "Bill" Neuman** '87, Jan. 15, 2003, Eau Claire. **Kirsten Perrott Morrow** '99, March 10, Orlando, Fla. **Craig Johnson** '03, Dec. 30, 2003, Savage, Minn.

Other Deaths

Orazio Presa Fumagalli, Camarillo, Calif., professor emeritus, art and design department, died April 10, 2004. Fumagalli retired in May 1986.

Harry Herbert, 71, of Crossville, Tenn., dean of learning resources emeritus, died Feb. 26, 2004.

John Kainski, 89, assistant professor emeritus, biology department, died August 3, 2003 at the Dunn County Health Care Center, Menomonie. He retired from Stout in May 1979.

Edward Lowry, 80, professor emeritus, biology department, died February 3, 2003 at the Dunn County Health Care Center, Menomonie. He joined the biol-

ogy department in 1959. He served as vice chair and chair of the Faculty Senate, and chair of the biology department. He was also an adviser to the Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity. Lowry retired from UW-Stout in 1985.

Jim Rada, 52, of Stillwater, Minn., lecturer, physics department, died May 17, 2003.

Wesley Sommers, 78, Menomonie, assistant chancellor/professor emeritus, died October 8, 2003. From 1956 to 1967, he was chair of the industrial technology department. He served as special assistant to the president from 1967 to 1968; administrator of

the School of Home Economics from 1968 to 1969; assistant to the president from 1969 to 1971; and assistant chancellor for Administrative Services from 1971 to 1989.

Edward Stevens, 76, Menomonie, senior lecturer emeritus, art and design department, died November 4, 2003. He taught 10 years at UW-Stout, retiring in 1993.

Shirley Stewart, 55, rehabilitation and counseling department, died Oct. 25, 2003. She began working at UW-Stout in 1973 and served as vocational evaluator, assistant director and director of the Vocational

Development Center, chair of the rehabilitation and counseling department, and associate dean.

Ray Szymanski, 76, Marathon, professor/research coordinator emeritus, died Jan. 13, 2004.

Douglas Wikum, 69, Hayward, professor emeritus, died August 30, 2003. He was a biology professor from 1966 to 1974 and from 1976 to 1994, where he also served a term as department chair.

John Wright, 61, Eau Claire, former assistant professor, business department, died Oct. 27, 2003. He joined the business department in 1984 and retired in May 2003.

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