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Reunion weekend to honor Class of '48

A weekend that includes the 50th reunion of the Class of 1948 and events for Central Wisconsin alumni has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday, June 5 and 6.

A special tribute will be paid to the class celebrating their 50-year anniversary of graduation from UWSP, but all alumni graduating before 1953 are welcome to attend the weekend. A general alumni reunion will be held Friday, June 5, in the Founder's Room of Old Main.

"This is a chance to renew old friendships and create new ones," according to Brant Bergeron, interim director of Alumni Relations. "And Saturday's program has a little something for everyone, with plenty of reminiscing and fellowship," he says. "Look for your invitation in April, and join us for Reunion

Weekend '98."

A complete schedule of reunion events can be found on page 2. A comprehensive driving and walking tour of campus will be available Friday and will cover academic buildings and residence halls. Friday evening at 5 p.m. a reception for all alumni will be held in the Founders Room of Old Main. A Dutch treat dinner at a local restaurant will follow the reception.

Saturday's activities will take place in the University Center. A continental breakfast will be available during registration beginning at 9 a.m. where the centennial quilt will be on display.

Chancellor Thomas George will welcome attendees at a ceremony in the John Anderson Room at 10:45 and the Class of '48 will be introduced. A class photo will be taken at a champagne brunch follow-

ing the ceremony. A Reunion Day Program in the Anderson Room will include a video presentation and reminiscences by members of the Class of '48 and other participants. After the program, tours of Old Main and Nelson Hall will be offered as well as a bus tour of campus.

Participants may register separately for events on Friday and Saturday, and there are separate fees for each day.

Those who attend may also take part in Portage County's recognition of Wisconsin's Sesquicentennial. The celebration will include a riverfront festival at Pfiffner Pioneer Park and a "Taste of Portage County" on the public square. Information about these events will be available at registration for the reunion events.

Credit card supports alumni

"A very simple idea that makes incredible sense." That is how Karen Engelhard, Alumni Relations senior administrative program specialist, describes the exclusive University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point credit card that is offered through MBNA American Bank with no annual fee.

It has nothing to do with points, prizes, free long distance service or even frequent flyer miles, rather, this credit card program helps support our alma mater. It's a program that offers basic good sense and simple value. Every time you use your card to make a purchase, MBNA American Bank will make a contribu-

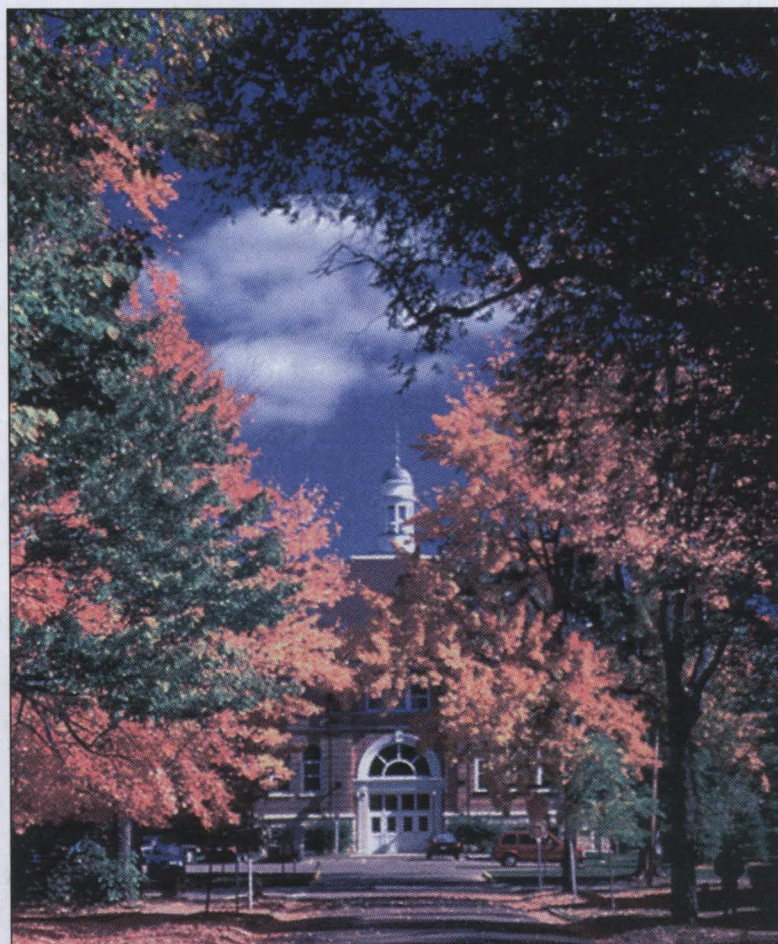


tion to the UWSP Alumni Association. "Because of our highly regarded Alumni Association, MBNA, one of the country's leading issuers of credit cards, came to us with this creative program," Engelhard says.

"This means that every time you eat at a restaurant, travel, go to the store, or even buy gasoline, you can make alumni programs a little more substantial,

making fund raising efforts that much easier," Engelhard says. "When you use the card for what you normally buy, MBNA passes on a portion of their earnings to us." She urges alumni to show pride in UWSP without spending any extra money for fees.

By the end of 1997, over 1,200 Pointer alumni and friends had opened accounts. To request the credit card that supports your alumni association, call 1-800-847-7378. If you opened an account and haven't activated it yet, this is a good time to do so. If you have questions about this program, call the Alumni Relations Office, (715) 346-3811.



A fall scene of Old Main on the cover of UWSP's viewbook received first place in a national competition for photographer Doug Moore of UWSP's News Services. The competition, sponsored by the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), honors outstanding original art representing the contestants' institutions. The prize-winning photo has been featured on the cover of the fall issue of C&U, AACRAO's quarterly scholarly research journal which is circulated to about 10,000 professionals throughout the world. In addition, the photo appears on the News Services home page on the Internet.

Open House April 5

For the second time, Worth Company, a Stevens Point fishing equipment manufacturer, will underwrite a campuswide Open House at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

The event will be held Sunday, April 5 from noon to 4 p.m. in conjunction with the annual Festival of the Arts. The Central Wisconsin community is welcomed to campus for an afternoon of fun, educational activities and information. "This is an opportunity for UWSP to promote its programs and faculty expertise to the public that supports us," says Chancellor Thomas George.

Universitywide open houses have been held since the early 1980s. They originally were annual affairs, but are now held every other year because of budget constraints. Community interest in continuing the tradition of an Open House prompted the Worth Company to provide a grant to support the event.

The day's activities are intended to bring the entire community together. Planned activities include the movie *Hercules*, live reptile and wildlife exhibits, chemistry demonstrations, a demonstration of the Internet, games and special programs for children. The event showcases UWSP's programs, resources, personnel and students.

More than 5,000 people visited the campus during the previous Open House. All events are open to the public free of charge. For more information call (715) 345-4899.

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Greetings from Alumni Relations,



Brant Bergeron

I have had the privilege of serving the UWSP Alumni Association as Interim Director for the past 15 months, and it's been an exciting and challenging time. With hard work from a dedicated group of alumni volunteers and staff, 1997 proved to be another outstanding year for the association and its members. Some of our accomplishments include:

- ◆ Promoting a positive image for UWSP to alumni and friends through publications and programs.
 - ◆ Continuing to build the Alumni Association Endowment.
 - ◆ Publishing two issues of the Pointer Alumnus and establishing a regular production schedule for future issues.
 - ◆ Making an estimated 200,000 contacts with alumni via mail, phone, e-mail and in person.
 - ◆ Offering services to alumni to create continued affiliation:
 - UWSP wrist watch program with Jostens Direct,
 - UWSP credit card program with MBNA,
 - UWSP alumni directory with Publishing Concepts,
 - UWSP clothing and memorabilia sales with the University Bookstore.
 - ◆ Implementing a database conversion streamlining information with the Student Information System.
 - ◆ Going on-line with the first Alumni Association web page: www.uwsp.edu/alumni
 - ◆ Supplying alumni label and list information to academic departments and non-academic units to assist them in correspondence with their constituents.
 - ◆ Holding successful reunions in Madison, Milwaukee, Washington D.C., Minneapolis/St. Paul and Green Bay.
 - ◆ Conducting successful events:
 - Terry Porter Golf Classic, Wisconsin Music Educators Reunion,
 - Reunion Weekend, First Nighters Dinner Theatre, Hall of Fame Induction,
 - Melvin R. Laird Youth Leadership Day, Homecoming, Alumni Basketball,
 - England '72 Semester Abroad Reunion.
 - ◆ Reducing "lost" alumni to 6,500 of the over 54,000 alumni records on our database.
 - ◆ Working with the Department of Athletics to renovate and dedicate the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame in the Health Enhancement Center.
 - ◆ Successfully coordinating the dedication of Eddie Kotal Field on campus.
- We will strive to advance the quality of teaching and learning at UW-Stevens Point...and we look forward to working with all of you in 1998.

Sincerely,

Brant Bergeron '85
Interim Director of Alumni Relations

Keep in touch

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Our phone is: (715) 346-3811.

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Visit our web site at: <http://www.uwsp.edu/alumni>

Open House giveaway

Please complete and clip the coupon below to enter the Alumni Association drawing during the UWSP Open House, Sunday, April 5. Stop by the Alumni Association booth in the concourse of the University Center from noon to 4 p.m. to drop off your coupon, no purchase necessary. (Please do not mail the coupon.)

While you're there, visit with fellow alums, update your database information, pick up an alumni decal, alumni association information and enjoy some refreshments. Prizes at the 4 p.m. drawing include: "The World is Ours" history books, UWSP clocks, diploma frames with etching of Old Main, UWSP alumni apparel and a UWSP Pulsar watch. We hope to see you there!

For more information on other Open House activities, see the article on page 1.

UWSP Alumni Association Open House Drawing

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

No purchase necessary. Need not be present to win.
Drawing at 4 p.m., Sunday, April 5.

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Alumni Calendar

- April 5** Biennial UWSP Open House, events campuswide
- April 17-19** WWSP 90-FM TRIVIA '98
The World's Largest Trivia Contest
- April 23** Marshfield Area Reunion
Belvedere Supper Club
- May*** Wausau Area Reunion
- May 17** Commencement/Distinguished Alumnus Award
Award to be presented to Ray Mundt, Class of 1953.
- June 5-6** Reunion Weekend '98
(Complete schedule below)
- July 23** Fox Cities Area Reunion
Timber Rattlers Game, Fox Cities Stadium, Appleton
- July*** Wisconsin Northwoods Area Reunion
- August 1** Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
- August 17** Terry Porter Golf Classic
Call 1-800-858-5267 for registration information.
- August*** Wisconsin Rapids Area Reunion
- August*** Stevens Point/Plover Area Reunion
- Sept. 16** Retired Faculty Luncheon, UWSP Campus
- Oct. 3** Homecoming '98
Pointers vs. UW-Platteville
Hall of Fame Induction of Pointer Hockey Champs

*Dates to be announced. Letters of invitation will be sent.

Reunion Weekend schedule

Friday, June 5

1 to 3 p.m. Campus Tours

A comprehensive driving/walking tour of academic buildings and residence halls. Meet at the University Center.

5 to 7 p.m. Alumni Reunion

Cocktail Reception and Welcome
Founders Room, Old Main

A fee of \$5 includes one drink and hors d'oeuvres.
Cash bar also available.

7 p.m. Dutch Treat Dinner

Reservations will be made at a local restaurant.
All people pay on their own.

Saturday, June 6

9 to 10:45 a.m. Registration and Hospitality

La Follette Lounge, University Center
Continental breakfast, videos, displays, alumni apparel for sale, centennial quilt on display.

10:45 a.m. Welcome Ceremony

John Anderson Room, University Center
Singing of the "Purple and the Gold."
Welcomes by: Master of Ceremonies, Chancellor George,
Student Government Association president, Alumni
Association representative, Alumni Relations director.

11:30 a.m. to noon. Introduction of the Class of '48

Introductions and short biographical sketch of each class member.

Noon to 1:30 p.m. Reunion Champagne Brunch

Melvin R. Laird Room, University Center
Class photo, toast by participants, brunch conversation.

1:30 p.m. Reunion Day Program

Anderson Room, University Center
Video presentation: "The Grad Years - 1948"
Reminiscence by members of the Class of '48 and other participants.

3 p.m. Hospitality

Punch and cookies in the La Follette Lounge.

3 p.m. Bus Tours of Campus

Walking Tour of Old Main and Nelson Hall.

June 6 150th Birthday of Wisconsin, Portage County's celebration of the Sesquicentennial

11a.m. to 9 p.m. Riverfront festival at Pfiffner Pioneer Park

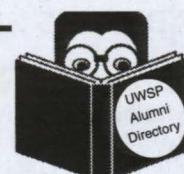
Noon to 5 p.m. Taste of Portage County on the Public Square



Alumni Relations staff invite you to visit the UWSP Centennial Fountain and Garden. The staff includes, left to right, Jean Scherer, program assistant; Karen Engelhard, senior administration program specialist; Brant Bergeron, interim director of Alumni Relations; and Teresa Wessels, assistant outreach specialist.

Special note:

If you ordered an Alumni Directory you can expect delivery in April!



A Message from Chancellor George

Dear Friends,

One of the major challenges I posed to UWSP faculty and staff when I assumed the chancellorship 19 months ago was the need to expand fund-raising success. I am thus pleased to report that donor gifts to the UWSP Foundation through the first six months of this fiscal year totaled \$570,000.

This total represents a 14 percent increase over the same period a year ago, without including a recent major bequest of \$60,000 from the estate of long-time Stevens Point resident and Sentry Insurance employee, Almyra Betlach. Ms. Betlach's philanthropy, along with the many other donations collected over our 104-year history, will go a long way in providing leading-edge learning for our students. Her largesse exemplifies the opportunity UWSP proponents have to support university programs and students through their wills and estate planning. Scott Schultz, in the university's Foundation Office, is prepared to discuss the advantages of a variety of planned giving packages for graduates and friends interested in pursuing these options. Scott can be reached at 1-800-858-5267.

Also during the year, 4,350 alumni gave \$130,000 to the campus. I want to personally thank all of these alums for their invaluable contributions. At the same time, these 4,350 people represent only about 10 percent of Pointer graduates asked to give. We can, and should, do better than this. As you will discover in this issue of the *Alumnus*, plans are now underway to strengthen UWSP's record of attracting donor gifts. Pivotal to these efforts are the two individuals interviewed for this publication, Brant Bergeron, interim director of Alumni Relations, and Bruce Froehlke, executive director of the UWSP Foundation.

The Alumni Relations Office, working closely with the Foundation, is an integral link between the university and its graduates, constituents and friends. Brant has served as the interim director since Karen Engelhard retired 15 months ago. He has done an excellent job in promoting alumni development activities for the campus during the transition period.

Newly-appointed Foundation Director Froehlke is in the process of reinvigorating the Foundation through a new plan of operation and the formation of three citizen committees. The first of these is a nominating committee, chaired by Dan Meyer, retired director of public affairs for Consolidated, Inc. and former president and director of Consolidated Papers Foundation. This committee will seek out and recommend active, involved Foundation Board members.


The second is the annual giving committee, chaired by Judi Carlson, a Stevens Point community leader. This group will work to increase alumni contributions, donor society memberships and ongoing annual support.

The third group, the capital gifts committee, is chaired by Bob Schmidt, a native of Wisconsin Rapids and president of M&I Bank in Stevens Point. The committee will concentrate on soliciting and cultivating larger contributions for the Foundation.

The committees will operate under the direction of Board President Jim Anderson, who was elected at the fall meeting to succeed Schmidt. Anderson is an alumnus and co-owner of Ellis Stone Construction in Stevens Point.

Admittedly, committees alone do not bring dollars to the university, but these three committees constitute only one of a number of operational innovations in the Foundation and the Alumni Relations Office that ideally will deepen commitment to the university and spur donor investment for the future. We anticipate that many Pointer alumni will want to become part of our fundraising initiative, to play a role in ensuring that students in the 21st century continue to enjoy the high-quality education UWSP has offered throughout its 100-year history.

Sincerely,


Thomas F. George



Chancellor Thomas George, left, and Krystian Roleder, rector of Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland, attended opening ceremonies for Jagiellonian's fall semester, which included a procession of students, faculty, administrators and visiting dignitaries. Telecommunications staff member Conrad Kelley, who was leading a UWSP student group, was also among the guests. George acted as a goodwill ambassador for UWSP and its International Programs, made a professional presentation at Jagiellonian and visited UWSP students during a two-week tour of Europe. The association between UWSP and Jagiellonian University began more than 25 years ago in socialist Poland. Currently there are 21 students attending the university through International Programs.

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In addition News Services has developed a new page that contains a myriad of information about news happenings and legislative affairs including online editions of the *Sundial* and UWSP's Speakers Bureau.

The address is:
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Search launched for alumni director

In January, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point launched a statewide search for a Director of Alumni Relations. A Search and Screen Committee* has been convened to search for candidates and screen applicants for the position. Qualifications for the position include a college degree; training and/or experience in working with institutions such as universities and groups such as alumni; and a desire to further enhance the close relationship between UWSP and its many alumni and friends in support of the academic mission of UWSP.

The successful applicant will work with the Alumni Association Board of Directors and will participate in planning with the UWSP Foundation, News Services, University Relations and other offices that report to the chancellor. Specific duties include, but are not limited to, planning and organizing homecoming, reunions, and other activities related to alumni; communicating with alumni and other UWSP friends; and managing and maintaining an up-to-date system for alumni records. A full position description will be sent to all applicants who request it.

The search is currently underway. Those interested in this position may send a letter of application along with a vita and a list of at least three references to the chair of the committee. Application deadline is April 1. However if you indicate

on your application that you are responding to this item in the *Pointer Alumnus*, the committee will guarantee that they will review your application if it is postmarked no later than April 8.

Those applicants who become finalists will be interviewed on campus later in April or early May. The appointment, effective July 1 or as soon thereafter as feasible, will be made by the chancellor from a list of candidates submitted to him by the Search and Screen Committee.

For further information or comments about UWSP's appointment of a new director, or to submit your own application or the nomination of someone else, you may contact Dean Justus Paul, chair of the Search and Screen Committee. He can be reached at: College of Letters and Science, 130 CCC, UWSP, Stevens Point, WI 54481, or by phone at (715) 346-4224 or by e-mail at jpaul@uwsp.edu.

*Members of the Search and Screen Committee include:

- Justus Paul, dean of the College of Letters & Science and committee chair
- Bob Spoerl representing alumni
- Mary Ann Nigbor representing alumni
- Donna Gear representing classified staff
- Jeff Buhrandt representing students
- Mary Mosier representing Faculty Senate
- John Birrenkott representing academic staff
- Don Kropidowski representing the UWSP Foundation

UWSP reaccredited for another 10 years

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point has been reaccredited for the maximum 10-year period by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA).

The reaccreditation came after two days of on-site evaluation by an NCA team, which found many strengths within the university including its beneficial partnership with the Stevens Point community and Central Wisconsin.

"We have a great deal to be proud of," said Chancellor Thomas George. "I found it gratifying that the NCA experts were so impressed with the overall high quality of our university."

Major strengths noted by the NCA were the high quality of UWSP's programs, heightened by high-quality faculty who are appreciated and respected by their students, and its success in maintaining key programs and campus morale while under budget constraints.

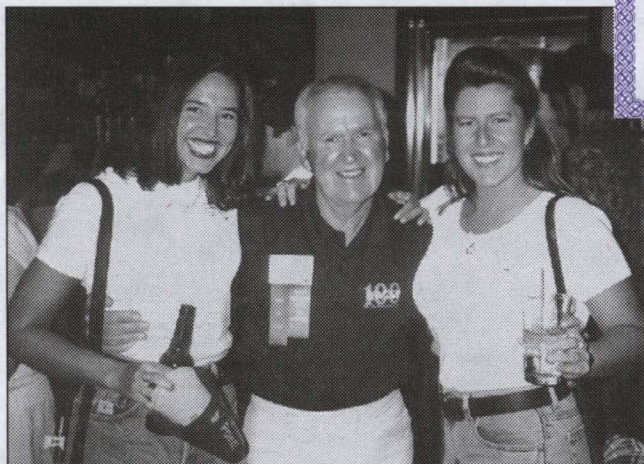
George added that the NCA saw a need to continue and increase efforts to recruit minority faculty, staff and students, to tie assessment more closely to planning, and for the campus and UW System to address library shortfalls.

In addressing a Faculty Senate meeting, George thanked those who participated in the evaluation, especially Bob Baruch, professor of theatre. Baruch led an accreditation steering committee in a two-year self-study of the campus.

An official report of the NCA's findings will be available

Reunion scrapbook

Green Bay



More than 160 Green Bay area alumni and friends gathered last August for a

reunion at the Titledown Brewing Company. Past president of the Alumni Association, Chet Polka, '52, is joined by Beth Ostrowski, '91, left, and Dawn Kennedy, '94.



Other alumni enjoying the reception include Kevin Nehring, '89; Joanne LaCount, '88; Mike Koenmann, '90; Christine Utria; Elona

Winslow, '90; Dan Donovan; Cindy Nehring; Grant Winslow; Bernie Donovan and Lisa Kurth, '87.

Music Education Convention



Music educators from all over the state gathered in Madison in late October for their annual convention. Door prize winners at a UWSP alumni gathering included, left to right, Rose Widstrand, '86, Wausaukee; Cindy Coy, '85, Hales Corners; Roger Bintz, '63, Green Bay; and David Stedman, '84, Fort Atkinson.

Twin Cities and Western Wisconsin



One hundred alumni and friends from the Twin Cities and Western Wisconsin watched the Badgers defeat the Golden Gophers, then gathered near the Metrodome for a post-game reunion. Around one table were, left to right, Dolores Streeck and George Streeck, '71, Baldwin; Steve Fahrner; Kristi Erickson, '74, Minneapolis; Janet Lodholz, '79, Minneapolis; Mary McGrath '69, Burnsville; and Jim McGrath.

Nelson Hall



A group of Pointers who met in Nelson Hall almost 50 years ago held a reunion in Stevens Point in June 1997. Back together again are, left to right, Joan Paulson, '49, Clintonville; Mary Schadewald Kline, '51, Luxemburg; Jackie Hall Hoverston, '51, Clear Lake, Iowa; Harriet Obhinger Koller, '51, New Lenox, Ill.; and Marjorie Beaver Heggstad, '49, St. Paul, Minn.



Germany



Alumni who shared a semester abroad in Germany got together in August 1997 for a reunion. Those attending a dinner at Bernard's in Stevens Point included, left to right, seated, Beth (Zeinert) Le Clair, '79; Vicki Kralapp, '79; Jody "Buck" (Engum) Kryshak, '79, and Gary Storm; standing, Jon Rossmiller, '79; Kathy Dederich, '79, Bill "Willi" Buettner; Mark Kryshak, '79; Jodell (Feyereisen) Krause, '80, Pat (Dunlap) Curti, '78; and Sue Jones, '80.

Chicago Area



Pointer alumni and basketball fans gathered in Elmhurst, Ill., for a reunion and attended a Pointer basketball game versus Elmhurst College. Those attending included, back row, left to right, Alumni Association president-elect and Hall of Fame member Bruce Bay, '65, Wausau; Lewis Torgeson, '69, Stevens Point; Distinguished Alumnus Ray Urbans, '37, Elmhurst, Ill.; Hall of Fame member Jerry Jelinek, '52, Chicago Heights, Ill. and Jay Jelinek, Elmhurst, Ill., and front row, left to right, Tim Gerk, '89, Villa Park, Ill. and Joanne Bina, '74, Mount Prospect, Ill.

Madison



In October, Madison area alums gathered at the Monona Terrace, a new architectural marvel. Pictured, left to right, are Chancellor Thomas George; Nathan Timm, '63; Dixie Wied Peterson, '72; Linda Ross, '72; J. Peter Day, '72; Judy Hughes, '72; Alumni Association Board member Gordon Faust, '58; and Brian Krueger, '79.

Homecoming Scrapbook

Prom Dress Rugby



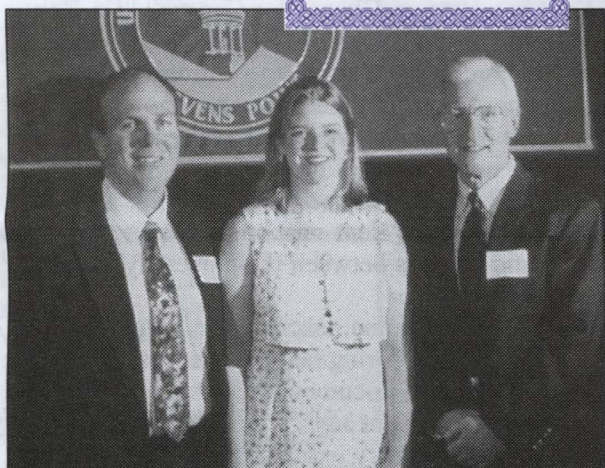
'87 Football

The 1987 Pointer men's football team celebrated the 10-year anniversary of their conference championship and national championship with a reunion dinner. Members attending include, front row left to right, John Leszczynski, Craig Verhagen, Dan Dantoin, Craig Ewald, Dan Moehling, Greg Dantoin; back row left to right, Derek Bown, Steve Day, Bill Kolodziej, Jay Downey, Brent Harder, John Gajewski, Barry Rose, John Slaby, and John Bechard.



The Women's Rugby Football Club got into the Homecoming spirit with their annual Prom Dress Scrimmage on the intramural fields near Schmeckle Reserve.

Awards



At a banquet during Homecoming weekend, Excellence in Coaching Awards were presented to former Bayport High School wrestling coach, Bob Boerner, '73, left, and former Stevens Point Area Senior High School soccer coach, Sue Radmer, '96, center. Al Noel, right, a long-time backer of Pointer athletics during his tenure at Sentry Insurance, received the Athletic Director's Award.



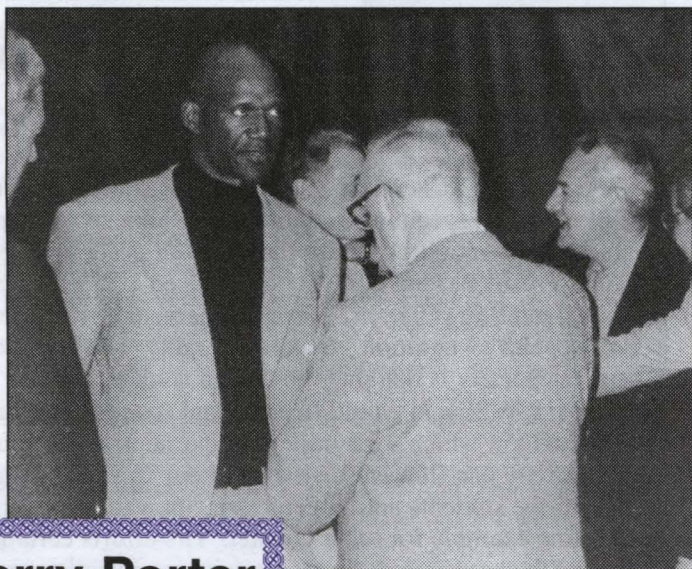
Bonfire

Homecoming Week '97 began with the lighting of the annual Homecoming bonfire, in preparation for a full weekend of activities.

Athletic Hall of Fame



Six former Pointer athletes were inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame during the annual All Alumni Dinner. Honored for their Pointer athletic achievements were, left to right, Bill "Woody" Newhouse, '78, football; Mike Blasczyk, '73, football; Tammy Kuester Matson, '91, softball and volleyball; Kris Hoel, '88, cross country/track and field; Jerry Jelinek, '52, football, and Mike Mumma, '72, golf.

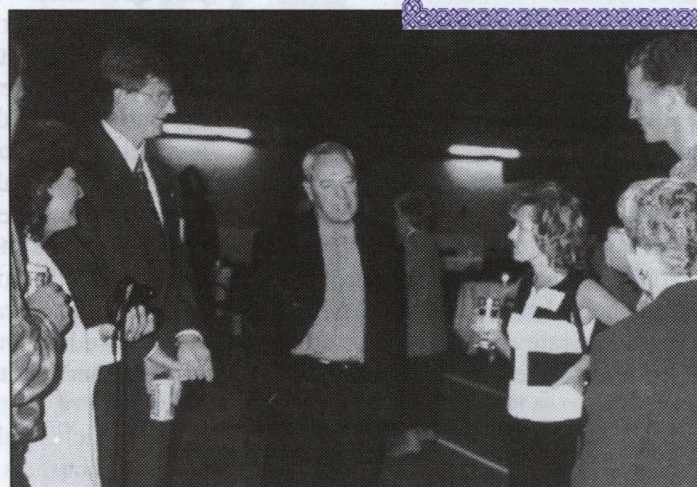


Terry Porter

at UW-Madison. Porter is in his third year playing with the Minnesota Timberwolves and his 14th season overall in the National Basketball Association.

Former Pointer greats Dick Bennett and Terry Porter entertained a crowd of more than 300 last September at a benefit in support of Pointer men's basketball. They shared stories of their time at UWSP and visited with all in attendance. Bennett was joined by many former players including Fred Stemmeler and Dave Schlundt (pictured). Bennett currently is the head coach

Dick Bennett



A rare bird--or is it?

Okay all you birders, would you say Cooper's hawks are rare or common?

According to Robert "Bob" Rosenfield, UWSP associate professor of biology, they aren't as rare as you might think. Rosenfield and fellow researcher, John Bielefeldt, a Racine County naturalist, have logged 35 person years in order to collect an 18-year data set on Wisconsin Cooper's hawks. Rosenfield's numerous publications have changed the perception that Cooper's hawks are rare and that perhaps it should be listed as an endangered or threatened species.

When Rosenfield was offered the chance to study the "Coop" for his master's thesis at UWSP, the world renowned avian ecologist husband and wife team, Frances and Frederick Hamerstrom, advised against it for fear of not having enough data to say anything scientifically significant. They advised him to substitute some broad-winged hawk



Carrie Walczek, a biology student at UWSP, assists Rosenfield in a recent Cooper's hawk banding expedition.

data he had collected under their supervision. "The work got published," Rosenfield admits, "but in retrospect I wish I had done my thesis on the Cooper's hawk."

When he began the hunt for the "rare" Coop, Rosenfield found many individuals nesting within the city limits of Stevens Point. As his data set grew he realized that, at least in Wisconsin, the Coop was not rare but, in fact, flourishing. He even found pairs nesting in residential backyards and biologically sterile red pine plantations. He discovered the

highest nesting density of Cooper's hawks ever documented and has since published many follow-up articles on the hawk's status and ecology.

Next, Rosenfield plans to show how an individual Coop's size seems to trump other important factors like prey density, parental age and site quality in the bird's nesting success. Rosenfield says, "Larger birds nest earlier and have more offspring in a given year and the converse is also true." Since his undergraduate days at UWSP, he also has conducted research on other birds of prey like goshawks and peregrine falcons.

When the *Pointer Alumnus* asked how Rosenfield could keep up with his research and teach a full load of zoology and ecology classes at the same time, he answered, "Teaching and research are one and the same. I can't separate them." He continued, "When I'm reading new scientific literature I'm constantly taking notes on how I can use the new information to improve my classes even when I'm on sabbatical. I'm always trying to remain current in my field not only for research purposes but also for the students."

Keeping up to speed with the science of ecology is part of Rosenfield's four pillars of

teaching. "I hope that I'm fair, challenging, insightful, and someone who cares about what I'm teaching," Rosenfield comments. When asked what he thinks is the most important way alumni can support UWSP, he replied, "Continually attracting quality faculty is most important. We should always try to hire the cutting-edge candidates."

In addition, Rosenfield says, "Funding for the University Personnel Development Committee (UPDC) is the next most im-

portant step in keeping UWSP the best it can be." He believes funding research and development and maintaining quality salaries will allow faculty to continually excel as teachers. "If we attract the best new faculty and fund their programs effectively, the current technology will follow," Rosenfield stressed.

The UWSP Foundation annually gives a part of the total "unrestricted" donations to the UPDC. Also, donations can be specially tagged for "faculty development."

Kent back to teaching

After spending six months in Bosnia-Herzegovina aiding the municipal election process, Sally Kent, associate professor of history, has returned home.

From March through September Kent worked as an aide for the Provisional Election Committee (PEC), set up under the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) in the 1995 Dayton Peace Agreement. After the three-year Bosnian war, help was needed in registering thousands of displaced persons and refugees and organizing municipal elections.

Kent's work was recognized by Ambassador Robert Frowick, head of the OSCE mission to Bosnia-Herzegovina. He praised Kent in a letter to Chancellor George. "Dr. Kent has been a mainstay of the mission," Frowick said. "She has done a superb job here and is a credit to your university."

He added that her fluency in the language, knowledge of the area and superb organizational skills have made "invaluable contributions" to the work of the PEC.

"It was good to know that my skills as a scholar were useful outside of academia," Kent said of her experience. "There should be no barriers between the university and the world around us."

Kent is glad to be back home, teaching the history of Bosnia to her students and sharing her experiences. "While I was gone, the class watched documentaries about the war and e-mailed me their essays," Kent says. "Now we are answering questions about it - does history explain this conflict?"

Kent's workday in Bosnia began at 8 a.m. and ended between 6:30 and 9 p.m. As the elections grew nearer, she and the others in the committee worked longer hours, seven days a week. "The most challenging part was just maintaining the stamina," Kent said. "The commission was in continuous session for the last week (before the elections)."

"The OSCE was very pleased with the results of the municipal elections," Kent said. She estimates that about 2.5 million people were registered, which was more than had registered in the national elections.

On-the-road chemistry earns kudos for professors

At last year's grand opening of the Great Lakes Science Center in Cleveland a 20-foot-long rubber ribbon was "deep frozen" with liquid nitrogen at -321°F . Then dignitaries lined up to smash it to smithereens.

Captivating audiences for 20 years with just such spectacular demonstrations of chemistry in action has earned awards for long-time colleagues, UWSP chemistry professors Marvin Lang and Don Showalter.

The two have also garnered invitations to some very prominent venues. Lang has given chemical demonstrations to students and teachers from Hawaii to Finland, to members of Congress and he and Showalter have entertained thousands of visitors at DisneyWorld and EPCOT Center.

"Chemistry is an ideal science to showcase, with its dramatic color changes, lively sounds, a sense of the unexpected and its obvious positive contributions to humanity," Lang says.

Lang earned the prestigious Helen M. Free Award for Public Outreach presented annually by the American Chemical Society, the world's largest scientific society. The award honors a member who has made a major effort to communicate with the public about the contributions of the chemical sciences to the quality of life.

Showalter received national attention when he was featured in the September 1997 issue



Marvin Lang



Don Showalter

of Chemical and Engineering News. The magazine mentioned the 26-part television series, "The World of Chemistry," an educational program funded with support from a project of the Annenberg School of Communications and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Showalter has the starring role in the chemical demonstration parts of the series. Nobel Laureate Ronald Hoffman, professor of chemistry at Cornell University, is the series host.

Throughout the year prospective students have mentioned that they had seen the series in their classrooms. "Recently three students from Rice Lake High School stopped by my office to discuss UWSP's chemistry program," said Showalter. "Evidently, their high school chemistry teacher is making good use of 'The World of Chemistry' in their school. Knowing that chemistry students throughout the nation are finding this series of interest and help really does make it all worthwhile," concluded Showalter.

Lang conducted a series of workshops and demonstrations in Finland last summer sponsored by the Finnish Chemical Society with grants from several industries. Three-day sessions were held at the University of Helsinki, the Summer Institute in Vassa and the University of Jyväskylä. Following the visit he had articles published in two Finnish scientific journals.

Student chemists receive honors

The American Chemical Society (ACS) student chapter at UWSP received special recognition as an honorable-mention chapter for its activities during the 1996-97 academic year.

ACS President Paul S. Anderson praised UWSP's faculty adviser, Don Showalter, professor of chemistry, who "deserves special recognition." Anderson said, "The American Chemical Society is delighted to have a student affiliate chapter at UWSP and would like to thank you for fostering an environment in which such important extracurricular educational activity can flourish. We extend our warmest congratulations to the students and to Professor Showalter for setting such a fine example for other chapter. His efforts certainly represent the best in undergraduate science education and mentoring around the country."

"Our students are very deserving of this recognition," said Showalter. "All the faculty and students within the department can share in receiving such prestigious recognition."

Some of the chapter's activities included arranging a meeting between chemistry professors and chemistry major and minor students to discuss ongoing faculty research projects, participation at UWSP Involvement Fair and other student functions throughout the academic year, and hosting ACS tour speaker, Professor James O'Brien.

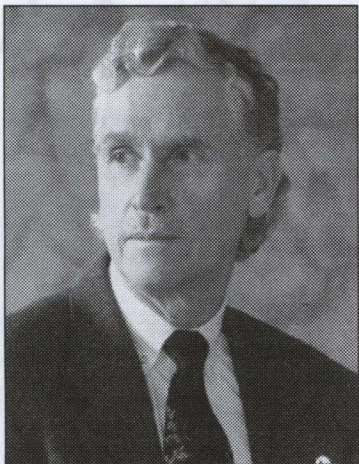
Haney resigns as dean

CNR Dean Alan Haney announced in October that he will resign as dean of the largest undergraduate natural resources program in the country to return to teaching.

He will assume an appointment at UWSP as a professor of forestry beginning with the 1998-99 school year.

In a letter to Vice Chancellor Bill Meyer, Haney said, "I wish to devote my remaining years to students, research and writing. I also plan to do more consulting and spend more time with friends and family."

"This is a good time to make the change for many reasons," he continued. "The college is the strongest it has ever been, as measured by such things as productivity of faculty, quality of students, extramural funding, relationships with outside partners and faculty and staff morale. Our programs are sound and our graduates are in great demand. The next dean will receive a college that has a clear sense of its mission, a



Alan Haney

strong record of performance and an understanding of the steps needed to achieve its goals for the next five to seven years."

During Haney's tenure, the college has named three distinguished professors, completed a \$10 million building addition, sponsored the establishment of the Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education, garnered a \$4 million paper-making machine, seen one of its graduates, Michael Dombeck, become head of the U.S. Forest Service, supported Professor Christine Thomas in founding a national outdoor skills program for women,

hired a cultural diversity coordinator, attracted new gift support to the college, added more land to the college's existing holdings including those at Treehaven field station and Schmeckle Reserve, instituted enrollment management and established a master's degree program in international resource management.

Among Haney's honors have been a public service award from the U.S. Forest Service, the Wisconsin Idea Award from the School of Natural Resources at UW-Madison and the Outstanding Teacher-Scientist designation for the Southern Appalachian Region.

Haney came to UWSP from North Carolina in 1988 to serve as dean. Widely regarded as an authority on the endangered oak savanna ecosystem, Haney recently concluded a \$250,000 savanna research project funded by the Department of Defense. He recently co-authored a book about ecosystem management published by Yale University Press.

Paper industry certifications offered



A technician works on computer systems that monitor the paper-making machine used by students.

UWSP has launched the Paper Academy, a new program developed by university and paper industry leaders.

"We've designed a customized certification program for mill workers throughout Central Wisconsin," said Gerard Ring, associate professor of paper science. He believes the courses will enhance the marketability and knowledge of individuals, and give them the tools they need to cope with a rapidly changing industry.

The academy offers two programs, a supervisory management certificate for those who wish to move into supervisory or managerial roles or improve their management

skills, and a technical certificate for professionals who need an additional edge as technology evolves in the industry.

Discussions began two years ago to design curricula that would meet industry needs. Leaders from Consolidated Papers, Wausau Papers, Weyerhaeuser, Mosinee Papers and Georgia-Pacific joined UWSP faculty and UWSP Extension staff in the planning process.

The program is sponsored by UWSP's Extension-Outreach Education, Small Business Development Center and the College of Natural Resource's Department of Paper Science.

Professor becomes undergraduate

Last summer Jim Hardin, associate professor of wildlife, attended a UWSP geography class—as a student.

He was planning to use Geographic Information Systems (GIS) exercises in a new class, so he studied for one semester with Geography Chair Mike Ritter.

Although this was his introduction to GIS, Hardin is an old hand at using computers in the classroom. He developed software in the early 1980s to assist students in plant and soil analysis and used it in workshops he taught at Clam Lake and Treehaven.

Hardin's students will apply GIS in Wildlife 451, "Management of Wildlife Habitat," by developing a management plan for a plot of "real estate." Each student selects a parcel of land, talks with the landowner, assesses conditions on the land and sets goals with the landowner. Using GIS, they will incorporate information on soil conditions, plant communities and land use and zoning in developing their prescription for the land.

But it goes beyond developing the plan; they have to articulate it on paper. Students are expected to hone their writing skills before they enroll. In the class, they learn to use those skills to write a paper that's almost as complicated as an environmental impact statement.



Jim Hardin examines a mounted pine marten with a student.

UWSP Wildlife Society tops nation again

The UWSP chapter of the Wildlife Society recently was named top student chapter in the nation for the third year in a row.

Members of the group also have won the Wisconsin chapter's Aldo Leopold Award six of the past eight years, and many have won the CNR's Outstanding Wildlife Student Awards. Jim Hardin, professor of wildlife, has advised the group since 1985.

Last year society members devoted approximately 2,000 volunteer hours to programs including prairie chicken counting, the Portage County sandhill crane count and a statewide salamander population survey. They did research for the DNR in the Buena Vista Marsh supervised by Evelyn Merrill and restored a 10-acre plot of prairie in Door County. The society sponsors an annual community reptile show and has sponsored several speakers, including Convocation speaker, Paul Watson.

The group also has a service they call "pest busters." The wildlife abatement program has them dealing with nuisance animals like bats, raccoons and flying squirrels. When people are bothered by wild creatures who find themselves in places where they aren't welcome, they can call the students for help in dealing with pests and minimizing hazards.

Trainer honored by international group

Dan Trainer, CNR emeritus dean, has been recognized by an international organization.

Trainer was awarded emeritus membership in the Wildlife Disease Association, an international organization dedicated to the study and control of diseases of wildlife.

Pam Boppel, a 1994 UWSP alumna and graduate student at the University of Alberta, Canada, accepted the plaque for Trainer. Boppel worked closely with him as an undergraduate.

"He worked with students doing research at UW-Madison for 12 years and he taught and guided students for 17 years at UWSP. We can only imagine the number of eager minds he has encouraged along the way," Boppel said in the acceptance speech. "While teaching in a multi-disciplinary natural resources program, wildlife disease has remained his number one concern. He continuously inspired future biologists and managers in all fields to incorporate wildlife disease issues in their work strategies."

Trainer, who was a founding member of the wildlife disease organization 40 years ago, received its distinguished service award in 1973, only the second American to be so honored during the organization's first 22 years. To date, the international group of several thousand members has given only about 20 emeritus awards.

Trainer, who retired from UWSP in 1988, has done extensive research in wildlife disease and shared his findings with scientists worldwide through hundreds of publications in professional journals. He was the first in the nation to develop and teach new courses in wildlife diseases at UW-Madison.



Dan Trainer

Breaking the boundaries

Preparing artists of the future



Joan Karlen, associate professor of theatre and dance, leads students as they explore movement and space. She often choreographs with certain students in mind, fitting the movement to their strengths.

"I've always been interested in breaking apart the boundaries between styles, disciplines and areas of life," says Joan Karlen, a member of UWSP's dance faculty who teaches jazz, ballet and composition. She enjoys the variety of styles in dance and believes that her choreography is often a mix, unable to be distinguished as a specific genre. Her desire to go beyond restrictions has led

her to explore the use of video production in creating and performing her work.

Karlen's interest in incorporating technology within the creative expression of dance took her to Ohio State University and New York University, where she studied the latest innovations in video and CD-ROM production. She has learned how to digitize and manipulate video footage of her dances, using

layering, cutting and other editing techniques. Karlen also has the option of juxtaposing images amidst the dancers to create a "virtual" setting.

Her video-dance work made its UWSP debut last May in Danstage, the department's main annual concert. The video performances were projected on a large screen while dancers performed on stage. Karlen is enthusiastic about the results of the production, but plans to refine it.

Karlen has received a professional development grant to work on multimedia presentation. That will enable her to continue her training in video production and provide UWSP students with valuable experience in the world of technology in dance.

"Technology isn't the end (of creativity in dance)," she said. "It is the means to the end."

The dance curriculum recently added an interdisciplinary project requirement that students complete during their final year. In creating these projects, students will combine dance with other disciplines of their choosing, such as photography, sociology or video technology. This experience will encourage dancers to gain expertise in other fields and prepare them for future careers.

Karlen takes a special interest in each of her students. She often choreographs to fit the strengths and personalities of her cast by studying the dancers in her class to see who expresses a freedom in their movement while maintaining focus and clarity in their technique.

Karlen also co-choreographs with other dance instructors, and collaborates on music and art department productions.

A native of Stevens Point, Karlen graduated from Pacelli High School and went on to study at The Juilliard School in New York. She also holds a master's degree from New York University. Karlen continues to travel to New York City twice a year for further study.

Comm students learn by doing

Communication students at UWSP are getting the hands-on experience they need to compete in today's tough job market, according to faculty members who supervise the programs.

Through extra-curricular activities such as The Pointer newspaper, 90 FM WWSP and Student Video Operations (SVO), students are gaining invaluable practical experience that will help them excel in their chosen field.

Students get the chance to run their own radio station, television station or newspaper. They are overseen by a faculty adviser, but are usually left to run their own ship. William Deering, SVO faculty adviser, describes himself as "hands-off," whose main job is to "keep [the students] from hurting each other."

This atmosphere forces the students to take responsibility

for what they produce and encourages the teamwork necessary for the success of the station or the newspaper. Referring to management responsibility, Deering says, "Students cannot get this kind of experience from internships."

Stephanie Sprangers, former editor of The Pointer, agrees, explaining that she "learned much about the workings of a newspaper, but even more about management," during her tenure there.

Pointer faculty adviser Pete Kelley also points out that the student operations "allow them to make mistakes in a less threatening atmosphere," as well as gain experience to present to an employer.

It is this priceless experience provided by the program that keeps UWSP communication students in demand.

Russian poet visits campus

This winter, an internationally known Russian poet, film director and lecturer came to UWSP to work with students.

Yevgeny Yevtushenko read poetry, spoke to classes and assisted with directing his own play.

Yevtushenko's rebellious poems won him worldwide popularity in the early 1960s and 70s. He first attracted international attention with the

poem "Babi Yar," a bitter indictment of government unconcern over the Nazi massacre Jews and Soviets. He served in the Parliament of the USSR under Gorbachev.

During his visit to Stevens Point, Yevtushenko coached students involved with "If All the Danes Were Jews," his most recent play. The production was presented for the first time in the Midwest at UWSP.

Ben Ratkowski, a Milwaukee student, directed the production.

Yevtushenko's film, "Stalin's Funeral," was also shown during his visit. He wrote, directed and starred with Vanessa Redgrave in the film in 1989.

His visit was funded by the Copps Corporation, UWSP Foundation and other campus organizations.

Preparing artists of the future

Many graphic designers have left drawing boards, pens and papers behind for use of computer software, the Internet, interactive CD-ROM's and a variety of multi-media tools.

In turn, UWSP's graphic design program has made changes in its curriculum, labs and printing processes to make sure its students are ready for the venues of the future. Art and Design Associate Professor Jeff Morin has been integral to those changes.

Morin first came to UWSP in 1996 to redesign the Art and Design curriculum in preparation for reaccreditation by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). The redesign meant clarification of course contents and the incorporation of technology, as well as an upgrade of the outdated computer lab, he says.

"The department can take the credit," he says. "They have worked very hard. I gave up a tenured position to come here, in part because of what the faculty was doing. I like their work and how they focus on teaching."

The curriculum was streamlined to include technology in all areas of design. Now computers are used in all but one design class, Morin said. A specific program, such as Quark Xpress or Adobe Illustrator, is used in a particular class so students are familiar with a variety of software by their senior year.

Macintosh computers replaced the IBM's in the art lab and the number of work stations was increased, making it easier for students to apply the programs they were learning in their classes.

"Technology has not been a novelty in graphic design for the last 10 years," he says. "It is assumed that graphic designers know the technology involved."

However, there is sometimes too large a focus on technology, he says.

"Some programs just teach students how to use the software," he says. "But that does not produce good design just like teaching typing does not teach good writing. It is not what it is, it is how it is used. The students should be designers, not programmers."

Another change in art and design has been the addition of the Design Center, a student-staffed pre-press firm that does work for both the campus and the community. The center provides high quality graphic design using technology not available anywhere else in the area, such as dye sublimation proofs.

"Students learn the business side of graphic design," Morin says, "as well as the constraints of dealing with a client. That experience really helps them."

Students use their portfolios to compete for the limited positions at the center, just as they would for a professional position. Besides earning intern credit, the students become more successful and professionally motivated by their experience at the center.

Student work printed at the center has a professional look, which improves the look of students' portfolios when they go looking for jobs.

The future holds more improvements for the art and design department, Morin says, including the addition of another staff member to teach design for the Internet.

"We would like to be the first program students come to in the entire state," Morin says. "That is very possible at the undergraduate level, because of the integration of technology in the classroom, the programs' physical size and the streamlined approach we now use."



Jeff Morin, associate professor of art and design, critiques a student's work. Morin came to UWSP after working with the art and design department to revamp its curriculum.

Interior design course surveys cultures

You may not expect in a survey class for interior architecture to deal with questions of race. And maybe you'd be surprised to find students from majors like fisheries and computer science in an IA class. But that's what's happening in "Survey of Design: Minority Cultures in the U.S." taught by Patricia Williams.

Williams developed this class and a non-western design survey course last year. Both courses fulfill a general degree requirement for humanities and either a non-western or a minority studies GDR. These "golden bullet" classes attracted 240 students from across the disciplines last semester.

First, Williams wants her students to learn critical thinking. "They need to know how to approach questions that have more than one answer, or more than four answers and questions where there is no conclusion at all," she says.

In addition, Williams believes that students need to understand what it's like to be part of a minority before they can appreciate design in minority cultures. "Prejudice, discrimination and other race-sensitive issues are not easy subjects for students to talk about," she says. "But they will probably only take one minority studies class, and they may not get another chance to learn about the topic."

She uses alternative teaching methods, including a poster presentation instead of a final examination. And for these classes, where the focus is on numerous cultures, presentation of the projects becomes a cultural fair.

Williams has found that during the endeavor, students become very creative. One student used craft sticks to create a detailed replica, including furniture, of a "shotgun house," a structure built by black families in the South. One student carved Native American courting flutes and played them for the class. Another Native American display included an authentic drum. During the presentation a student who was not part of the group got up and performed on the drum spontaneously. A resource person, one student's grandmother, showed the class how to do beadwork.

The course is a work in progress, Williams says. When she presented a paper on it at a conference in New Brunswick last month, she heard a pair of professors from California talk about "group quizzes." She tried the new method as soon as she got back to Stevens Point.

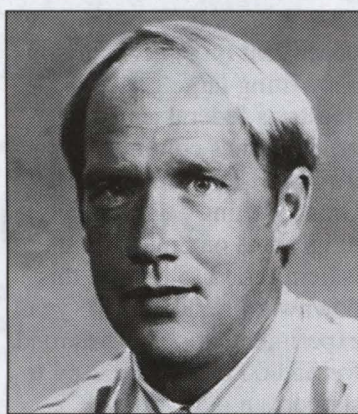
To use "group quizzes," the class breaks up to discuss several questions. Each student highlights answers on individual answer sheets. They may come to a consensus, or they may disagree. It's not important what answers they come up with. "It's when they get talking to each other that they really learn," she says.

Water exercise helps women with arthritis

"Women with arthritis can achieve greater strength, balance and range of motion by performing water exercises recommended by the National Arthritis Foundation," according to research findings published by Rory Suomi, director of physical education and of the Special Needs Aquatic Program at UWSP.

Suomi published the results of research conducted with David Kocaja, of Indiana University (IU), in the October 1997 issue of the *Journal of Aging and Physical Activity*. They were assisted by Susan Lindauer, a graduate student who taught the project's water exercises classes.

During a period of six weeks, 27 women with arthritis, aged 45 to 67, used the Arthritis Foundation Aquatic Program. After participation in 45-minute-long pool exercises three times per week, the subjects were measured as stronger and with greater range of motion in joints affected by arthritis.



Rory Suomi

In Stevens Point, Suomi's Special Needs Aquatic Program benefits about 120 people with arthritis each year and he has been recognized twice by the state chapter of the Arthritis Foundation. Suomi's work was funded by a \$3,750 grant from the University Personnel Development Committee.

Landauer of Madison is a 1994 graduate of UWSP who obtained her master's degree in adapted physical education from IU, and is employed as an adapted physical education specialist in the Green Bay School District.

Education pioneer remembered

The Helen Parkhurst Lecture Hall, across from the cafeteria in the College of Professional Studies Building, has been remodeled and a new display detailing Parkhurst's achievements put in place.

The room, located in the building that houses UWSP's School of Education, was dedicated in 1974 to the memory of Parkhurst, an innovator in education. Appropriately, the room has been fitted with the latest technology. Last summer it

was completely renovated with new chairs, tables and a new teaching console that includes computerized teaching devices.

Parkhurst, born in Durand, served on the faculty of the Stevens Point Normal School as supervisor for primary teacher training and director of the primary department at the laboratory school from 1912 to 1915. She had studied in Italy with Maria Montessori who believed that children learn best when left to their own initiatives.

Parkhurst organized a Montessori room in the primary department. Its success led to a Montessori demonstration room, the first in the state. Parkhurst continued to develop the ideas espoused by Montessori and served for a time as director of all Montessori schools in the United States.

Parkhurst believed that observation is one of the great



Helen Parkhurst

secrets of understanding a child. "Have you ever watched a child in a wash basin?" she asked. "He doesn't wash his hands, he washes the soap."

Parkhurst gained an international reputation as an educator and in the late 1960s she was recognized as "one of only 100 great educators."

More information on Parkhurst is available in the Kampenga Archives at UWSP's Learning Resources Center.

Retzke creates display

A recently completed display outside the Helen Parkhurst Lecture Hall was created by Karen Retzke, a senior interior architecture student from Plover.

Retzke has been working full time as a certified quality assurance auditor at the Ore Ida potato processing plant near Plover for 15 years. She has been studying part time at UWSP since 1986. Retzke says she has used what she learned to design layouts for worksheets on the job and to design displays and painted murals in the plant.

"Dem bones, dem bones" Student intern becomes skeleton

It's a few days before Halloween, and Cory Vandertie has the attention of all of his fifth-grade students at Stevens Point's Madison Elementary School. He's dressed in a black shirt, gloves and socks that picture all the bones in the chest, hands and feet, and he's got his class dancing and singing along to "Dem Bones," as they review which bone is connected to the leg bone.

"He does lots of activities with us," said Kim Lutz, 11. "He makes our day more fun, the class really listens to him."

That's quite a feat for a veteran teacher. But Vandertie was still a UWSP senior, one of 25 School of Education student interns who spent the fall semester teaching full-time.

"From day one, Cory's attitude and enthusiasm has permeated throughout his students and our staff," said Jodi Tuskowski, Vandertie's cooperating teacher.

"We consider the internship program to be a capstone on the capstone of student teaching," says Henry St. Maurice, UWSP School of Education's director of field experiences. The internships are regulated by the Wisconsin Improvement Program for teachers, which

collaborates with universities and school districts to put qualified students in the schools. "It allows students to be more competitive in the job market and it provides extra services for the school districts," St. Maurice said.

"I look forward to coming to work, I really do," said Vandertie. "I feel so wonderful here."

Being a student intern is demanding and challenging, he said. The hardest part of the job is the time demands, with seven to eight lesson plans to write for each day, staff meetings, paperwork to fill out and office deadlines. He also began serving as fifth-grade volleyball coach in October and organized a

drama club.

"Other teachers have helped me," he added. "I can't say enough about the Madison School staff, they've been so supportive."

But that help goes both ways, according to Tuskowski. "There has been a real give and take relationship between Cory and other teachers," she said. "Even veteran teachers have asked to adopt some of his ideas."

Vandertie credits his UWSP professors with portraying their love for teaching in their classrooms and instilling that same feeling in him.

A graduate of Southern Door High School, Cory is a native of Brussels.

Sontag serves on Governor's Council

Ed Sontag, professor of education, was appointed by Governor Tommy Thompson to serve on the Council on Model Academic Standards.

The council's initial draft of academic standards was released in September and was distributed throughout the state for public review and comment. The council hosted nine regional public forums. Following the public engagement phase, the council revised and finalized the standards in December and delivered them to the governor.

Each school board in the state was asked to host a public discussion of the standards. Copies were sent to each local public library, school board and chamber of commerce.

The information is accessible at web site: <http://badger.state.wi.us/agencies/ltagov/>

A call to arms: *Become an activist on behalf of UWSP*

Why a call to arms? Simply put, higher education is in the fight for its life as state and federal budget dollars continue to shrink. UWSP and the UW System are state-supported entities and yet, state support for higher education has been decreasing as a percentage of state revenue since the mid-1970s.

As an alum, benefactor or friend of UWSP, you need to know that our world-class higher education system faces many challenges. While it is true that UWSP, through leading-edge teaching and learning, continues to prepare tomorrow's leaders today. Disturbing trends threaten the very core of the "Wisconsin Idea," an idea that stands for access, quality and affordability.

Here are the facts.

In 1974, state support, or General Public Revenue (GPR), for UWSP and the UW System was just under 50 percent.

Today, state support for higher education has dropped 15 percent to approximately 34 percent GPR dollars earmarked for higher education. Since the UW System merger in 1974, the UW System's percentage of the overall state budget has dropped from 14.4 percent to 9 percent in 1997.

These trends continue with little sign of reversal by our state legislators and the governor.

Here is how you can help. Become an activist on behalf of your alma mater! Join UWSP's grassroots team and stand up and speak out on behalf of higher education. If you have interest...please call or email UWSP's legislative liaison, Tom Miller, at 715/346-3014 or tmiller@uwsp.edu.

UWSP ranks high among alumni

According to a recent survey, nearly 90 percent of 2,000 alumni who responded agreed that UWSP "provides quality academic programs, gives good value to students and meets the higher education needs of Wisconsin residents."

In addition, 88 percent of respondents said they would recommend UWSP to family and friends. The survey was conducted last summer in conjunction with an alumni directory project and reported recently by Kirby Throckmorton of UWSP's Office of Institutional Research.

Eighty-six percent also rated UWSP as "a source of community pride" which possesses "an appealing campus and facilities."

More than 70 percent of alumni rated UWSP as "one of the best regional four-year public universities and a good value to taxpayers." In addition they believe UWSP charges reasonable tuition and fees, provides quality extracurricular programs and significantly contributes to personal development and career preparation.

Nearly 60 percent said UWSP "advances cutting

edge teaching and learning."

Chancellor Thomas George says this type of information indicates that UWSP's facilities, programs and curriculum have a solid tradition and will remain "leading edge" well into the 21st century.

The survey was mailed to more than 42,000 alumni last June. It included 13 statements that asked respondents to use a five-point scale to indicate their perceptions of UWSP. Of the alumni who responded, 47 percent graduated prior to 1980, 73 percent were from Wisconsin and 37 percent had completed graduate degrees. Eighty-three different occupations were represented.

In regard to the positive feedback from respondents, Brant Bergeron, interim director of Alumni Relations, says, "Whether it's our alums from 1997, 1967 or 1937, the survey shows that their UWSP education and out-of-classroom experiences were outstanding. It is our mission to continue this tradition of excellence for the graduates of the next 60 years and beyond."

International Programs among top 10 for sending students abroad

UWSP has been ranked sixth in the nation for sending students abroad to study, according to statistics compiled by the Institute of International Education and reported in a recent issue of the Chronicle of Higher Education.

The Institute and the Chronicle named the top universities in the country according to the numbers of students traveling abroad during 1995-96 (the most recent years for which nationwide statistics were available) and the proportion of the institution's total enrollment they represent. Among master's degree granting institutions, UWSP placed sixth with 334 students and 4 percent of its student body visiting other countries. In 1996-97, 379 students traveled abroad and in 1997-98, the participants number 350.

"I suspect our popularity is due to a number of factors including an increased knowledge that global awareness is vital in today's economy. In addition, our programs tend to go to popular and/or 'exotic' sites, financial aid is available, and most of our students come back exceptionally enthusiastic and encourage their contemporaries to go overseas," said David

Staszak, director of UWSP's International Programs.

"Also, if properly planned the overseas experience does not delay time to graduation; we market our programs well including our complete Web site and classroom visits; and, when compared to others, we've developed a solid reputation for providing a quality academic experience at a very affordable price.

"In addition, I think students recognize that our programs are unique in many ways. We send a faculty leader with all of our groups, we offer complete packages including airfare, tuition, food/lodging, in-country field trips and an exit or entry tour along with on-site classes. We prepare students through a series of orientations, and our programs run smoothly because we've been in the business for nearly 30 years," Staszak said.

"The steady increase in the number of U.S. students doing academic work abroad has pleased campus officials who want to make an international experience part of the college education of more Americans," Paul Desruisseaux of the Chronicle wrote. "In 1995-96, a total of 89,242 students earned academic

credit for work done abroad, an increase of 4,839 or 5.7 percent over the previous year, according to the Institute of International Education."

During the course of an academic year, UWSP usually sends about 200 students on a semester abroad to Britain, Germany, Poland, Australia, France or Spain. During summer sessions more than 100 students travel to Europe and on interim trips, between 20 and 50 go to Africa, Costa Rica or Australia.

A recent trend that UWSP International Programs staffers are especially pleased with is the tendency for more and more UWSP and UW System students to dominate the mix of participants. At one point, in the early 90s, only about 60 percent of the students were from Wisconsin institutions. Next semester, more than 90 percent of the students will be from state schools.

"In recent years, we have made a conscious effort to serve UWSP students and other students from Wisconsin, including giving our own students and students from other UW System schools first priority," Staszak said.

Over \$2.5 million in grants awarded to professors

Faculty and staff at UWSP brought in more than \$2.5 million in grants from outside sources during the last fiscal year.

"We achieved an exceptional record of funded proposals this past year," stated David Staszak, associate vice chancellor for academic programs and grant support services. "Eighty-two percent of our grant requests were funded for \$2,639,957.

"Extramural grant monies are largely due to individual initiative by faculty and staff. These monies are derived from local, state, federal and foundation grant sources. Grant support includes not only grants, but gifts, contracts and cooperative agreements. In addition, UWSP's administration continues to support professional development through grant writing assistance at all levels," Staszak said.

"Few people realize that professors, most of whom work very hard in order to receive these grants, rarely gain financial reward for their efforts," continued Staszak. "The real winners are our undergraduate students who get hands-on research experience.

This in turn makes them a much more marketable member of society once they graduate from UWSP."

UWSP is becoming more dependent on fewer individuals writing large grant requests as federal and state grant monies continue to dwindle. The Chancellor's Grant Writing Stipends program is one measure that is being tried to reverse this downward trend. A two-year experiment, stipends awarded for \$5,000 or less are used to support an individual or campus group to create the time necessary to write a major extramural grant proposal for the upcoming fiscal year.

College of Natural Resources personnel continues to be the campus' major extramural grant recipients. One hundred and fourteen grant requests were submitted by CNR faculty and staff and 96 were awarded, bringing in just under \$2 million dollars. This number matches the total campuswide number of grant requests in 1990.

The College of Letters and Science faculty and staff were awarded \$221,513 in grants in 1996, a 76 percent success

rate. College of Professional Studies had a 75 percent success rate garnering \$44,215 in extramural funds. The College of Fine Arts had a success rate of 80 percent bringing in \$23,553 in extramural funds. COFAC for two years running has increased their grant requests. Prior to 1990, COFAC averaged less than two extramural grants per year. Campus units outside of Academic Affairs enjoyed an 85 percent success rate bringing \$400,705 to the campus.

"However, I grow increasingly concerned with the decline in resources for extramural grants," said Staszak. "Far too many faculty are 'maxed out' with grant projects, many experienced grant writers on campus are retiring, funding sources are declining and competition is increasing.

"While the trends are disturbing, the rewards for our faculty, and especially our students, should not be diminished," concluded Staszak. "This campus and indeed this community ought to be proud of our extramural grant productivity and successes this past year."

On Wisconsin – A collection of outdoor essays

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Who better than UWSP students to write and publish a collection of nonfiction outdoor essays?

On Wisconsin, published by Cornerstone Press, is a collection of 25 essays composed by students in Richard Behm's outdoor writing class and published by Dan Dieterich's editing and publishing class. Both are offerings of the English department.

"Though most of these writers are young, their talent and insight belie their age," says Behm. "This collection is one for reading by the hearth as the January wind howls, or while swinging in a hammock shaded by an oak tree on a lazy summer afternoon. They are stories you can return to again and again."

Each essay tells of experiences the writers had in the Wisconsin outdoors.

Cornerstone Press is a writing, editing and publishing class and a nonprofit student organization. All book sale proceeds go back to the class for future publications. The class had its genesis with a grant and has remained self-sufficient since 1986.

On Wisconsin sells for \$15.77 (includes shipping and handling) and can be ordered from Dan Dieterich, Cornerstone Press, c/o UWSP Tutoring-Learning Center, LRC, Stevens Point, WI 54481. It can also be purchased in Stevens Point at Little Professor, Book World, UWSP Bookstore and Book Garden.



Gerald Vance, '57, right, was joined by his brothers, Francis and James, '75, '78, at a fundraising event for the Vance Family Scholarship at last October's Homecoming. Gerald retired last year as director of the Department of Student Services for Milwaukee Public Schools. James was director of the PRIDE office at UWSP from 1972 to 1988. He now serves as director of Multi-Cultural Affairs at UW-Eau Claire. Francis is a property manager in Delevan.

Program helps cardiac patients make choices

If you are a cardiac patient, you may need to make some tough choices in your lifestyle. You can get some help at the "Choice to Renew" retreat weekend sponsored by health promotion and wellness programs at UWSP.

The retreat will be held Friday, April 17 through Sunday, April 19 at Treehaven, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's field station near Tomahawk.

Anne Abbott, a professor of health promotion and wellness

programs, will be joined by top health-care professionals, educators and nurses who lead group sessions and act as resources. Abbott, who founded the program, has worked for more than 25 years in clinical exercise physiology, cardiovascular and pulmonary rehabilitation, Gestalt Therapy, wellness and prevention.

The retreat will cover all aspects of body, mind and soul. Participants will be helped to assess what they are doing to take

an active role in their recovery, including exercise, a vegetarian diet, stress reduction and controlling anger with meditation and visualization. Attending with a partner, like a spouse, other family member or friend, is encouraged.

A registration fee of \$179 per person includes program materials, lodging, and meals and discounts are available. This is a moderately priced retreat where you can get cutting-edge information. A similar program at a hospital could

cost up to \$5,000.

Treehaven provides a complete residential, educational and conference center, surrounded by 1200 acres of pine and birch woodland criss-crossed by trails where visitors can see osprey, hawks, deer, and other wildlife. UWSP's health promotion and human development department sponsors the event.

UWSP Foundation funds unrestricted needs

James Anderson, president of the UWSP Foundation's Board of Directors, presented a check for \$115,000 to Chancellor Thomas F. George at the board's annual meeting last fall.

The check supports unrestricted needs on campus. In past years, unrestricted moneys have supported initiatives such as research projects, professional development and upgrading technology.

Anderson of Ellis Stone Construction and a UWSP alumnus, succeeds Robert Schmidt, president of M&I Mid-State Bank, who served as president for the past two years and will remain on the board as past president.

The UWSP Foundation is an independent arm of the university, which raises money from private sources to enhance the offerings of the institution, fund scholarships and support special projects by faculty, staff and students. Bruce Froehle is the executive director.

Chancellor Thomas George noted, "This money will make an already outstanding institution even stronger. We're grateful to the foundation and to the donors for this investment in quality. I'd also like to

express my personal gratitude and the gratitude of the university community to outgoing President Bob Schmidt for his excellent leadership of the foundation."

Other officers elected to the board were Judi Carlson, vice president, Thomas Stout, treasurer, Dan Meyer, secretary, and E. John Buzza, corporate counsel. Carlson, Meyer and Schmidt were reappointed to the board for three-year terms. Tom Copps will serve a one-year term as member-at-large.

The new board member is John M. Ross, president and trustee of the Brookstone Financial Group of Bloomington, Ind., founder and director of Philanthropy and Americans Outdoors, Senior Fellow, The Eppley Institute for Parks and Public Lands and special assistant to the dean, School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, Indiana University. He is a 1958 graduate of UWSP and a 1963 master's graduate of Indiana University.

Ex-officio board members are: Diane Loeser of Norcross, Ga., Alumni Association president; Larry Sipiorski, faculty representative and associate registrar; Sarah Houfe of Edgerton,

Student Government president; and Chancellor George.

The Foundation's annual meeting was held prior to a dinner, at which College of Natural Resources Professor Christine Thomas discussed her successful nationwide program, "Becoming an Outdoors Woman."

At the annual meeting, new officers and board

members were appointed, an audit of Foundation accounts was accepted by the board, new committees were formed and a three-year strategic plan was adopted.

The plan's main goals include increasing the Foundation's productivity by 10 percent annually and working toward more ambitious goals within three years.

Critical to the success of the plan, according to Froehle, will be improving alumni participation, more effectively raising annual gifts of \$1,000 or more and stronger soliciting of capital gifts of \$10,000 or more.

Shared leadership and improved teamwork are the plan's most important strategies, Froehle says.

Art Festival to be held April 5

The 26th Annual Festival of the Arts will be held Sunday, April 5, in the courtyard of the Fine Arts Center at UWSP from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to the festival, the UWSP Open House takes place during the weekend.

The heart of the festival is the exhibition and sale of original art by about 60 artists from throughout the Midwest. Cash prizes for Best of Show and Awards of Excellence will be given. Participants in the show are selected by jurors. Previous year's winners are invited back without submitting work for jurying.

Artists donate work for a silent auction in order to

raise money for Festival of the Arts scholarships.

The event is sponsored by the Festival of the Arts

Council, the College of Fine Arts and Communication and UWSP.



Glassware is only one of the many media that will be part of the Festival of the Arts at UWSP on April 5. The event is held in conjunction with a universitywide Open House this year.

Fostering a work

They're committed, they're enthusiastic, they're working



The *Alumnus* editor initiated a discussion between Bruce Froehlke, the executive director of the UWSP Foundation, and Brant Bergeron, the interim director of Alumni Relations. They have begun a dialogue about their short-term and long-term goals.

Pointer Alumnus: Is it important that alumni know who you are?

Froehlke: I'm not sure that it is. But I believe that it's important for alumni to trust the university's fundraising leadership. Since I'm part of that group, I suppose it's important for people to have a sense of who I am. But it's more important for them to know Chancellor Tom George and the university's deans. It's probably more important to know the officers of the Foundation and the Alumni Association. And who the board members are. And who the principal donors to the Foundation are.

Bergeron: That's part of the responsibility that Bruce

and I share. Alumni want to connect with the university at events. In most cases, that means a representative from campus participating . . . staff, faculty, deans or the chancellor.

Pointer Alumnus: What are your goals as director of the UWSP Foundation?

Froehlke: The two most important objectives are to increase total alumni giving and to improve alumni participation. Doing that will help us accomplish the mission of the UWSP Foundation — to improve the quality of teaching and learning at UWSP.

I should probably make it clear that these aren't my objectives. They have been discussed with the UWSP Foundation Board of Directors and the administrative leadership of the university. They are our objectives. When I met with the Alumni Association's Board of Directors in January, I talked with them about why these objectives seem crucial to us. I hope I helped them

understand this emphasis and, within the scope of the association's responsibilities, that they will help us achieve our objectives.

In the business that Brant and I are in, leadership shouldn't be a solo act. It's a community commitment.

Pointer Alumnus: Brant, what will you be doing to help the Foundation reach its goals?

Bergeron: Bruce and I have the same goals, we want to see alumni become involved in and committed to UWSP. And we hope that will lead to support of the institution. We begin to do that by keeping in touch . . . and

it's exciting to think about ways to bring our program to more and more people.

We want our alumni to benefit from what the university has to offer, but it's a give and take relationship. Most alumni had wonderful experiences in their academic areas, in the residence halls, off campus and in the organizations they were involved with. As alumni we have a responsibility to support our institution — remembering what UWSP means to each of us.

I believe people will think about the life-changing experiences they had at UWSP and equate it into action.

Does that mean attending alumni events in your area? Possibly finding good students in our hometowns and encouraging them to attend UWSP? Does it mean a contribution to help continue the tradition of excellence on the campus? There are any number of ways our alumni can respond to assist UWSP. But if they're never asked, we'll never know.

Pointer Alumnus: Where will you focus your attention as you work together?

Froehlke: There are eight counties in Wisconsin where our graduates cluster, and I've suggested to Brant that we focus our efforts on those areas. We have 5,000 alumni

in Portage County, the largest concentration. There are at least 1,500 alumni in seven other counties: Brown, Dane, Marathon, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Waukesha and Wood.

Our two offices have different objectives. But we

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—Bergeron.

have the same audience, and we're both pragmatic. Let's focus our work on places where our message will be heard by the most people.

Bergeron: I would agree. The Alumni Relations Office has held alumni events in Milwaukee, Madison, Green Bay, Minneapolis and the Fox Cities, to name a few. But we haven't yet focused on Marshfield, Wisconsin Rapids, Stevens Point, Plover and Wausau, that is, Central Wisconsin. We need to find ways to involve people in alumni activities in our own back yard.

Many alumni already take advantage of things that UWSP has to offer, such as theatre or music performances, athletic events, etc. But some alumni have become detached from the university, even though they live 20 or 30 minutes away . . . we also have to reach out to these people.

Pointer Alumnus: What kinds of events are you talking about?

Bergeron: A wide variety of events. A reunion was held in Green Bay last August at a new microbrewery—we had the largest turnout of



Brant Bergeron

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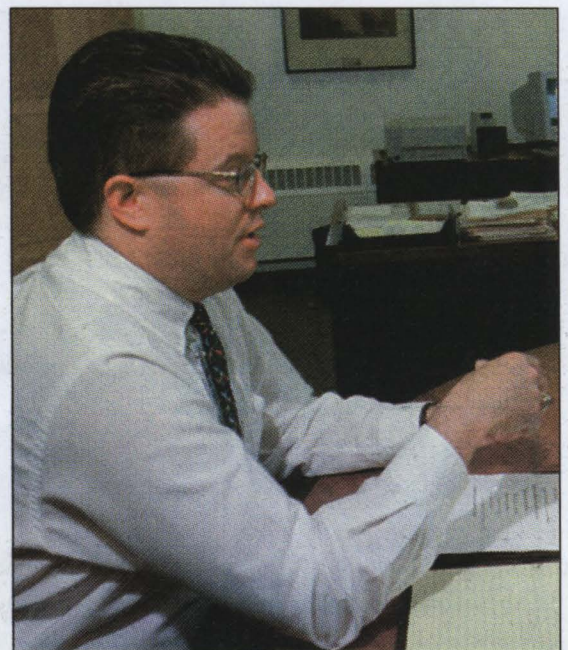
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together, and the Pointer Alumnus put them on the spot.

alumni in years. We might plan an event around the new indoor football team in Green Bay or the Timber Rattlers in the Fox Cities. We have hosted events at the Milwaukee Performing Arts Center before jazz concerts and tied alumni events to road games of the Pointer basketball team.

No matter if our alumni live 20 minutes down the road or 200 miles away, we will have a presence in their area. The key is to strike a chord with our alums by having events at interesting sites, whether in Wisconsin Rapids or Minneapolis. We will concentrate our efforts in the areas most heavily populated by our alumni, while not forgetting our larger con-

"Leadership shouldn't be a solo act. It's a community commitment." — Froehlke

stituency.

When we plan to go to an area, we use our database to find people we know we can call on. We ask what's going on in the area or what people would be interested in doing. We don't have a club structure, but we do have people in a number of areas who can take the lead. We also use the Alumni Relations Office's new Web site and the Pointer Alumnus to publicize events.

By the way, the Web site is getting 20 to 30 address updates each week. We hope to have e-mail addresses in the next directory and to create an e-mail directory on the Web.

Pointer Alumnus: How do you fund events?

Bergeron: By charging nominal fees for events that

we schedule, the Alumni Office tries to break even, but that isn't always possible. At the same time, we want people to invest something before they sign up for one of our functions. If they write out a check for five or 10 dollars, they make a commitment to join us. It helps us defray the cost of reaching alumni, but the Foundation fund makes sure the events will happen even if costs exceed the registration fee.

Froehlke: I kid Brant and tell him, "I'm your Sugar Daddy." The Foundation dedicates an important part of its operating budget to support for the Alumni Relations Office. We're giving the office \$10,000 from an unrestricted endowment this year. We also have a \$2000 line item for Alumni Relations staff travel. In addition, we provide \$16,000 annually to subsidize two issues of the *Alumnus*.

If actions speak louder than words, I don't think there is any question about the Foundation's commitment to its partnership with the Alumni Relations Office.

Pointer Alumnus: How will the two of you set your priorities?

Bergeron: Our first priority will be to keep the lines of



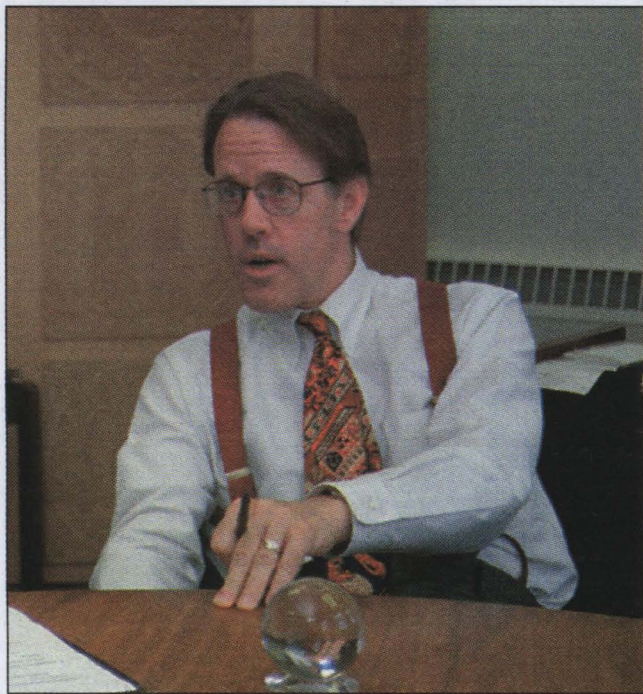
communication open with our alumni on campus, in Central Wisconsin, the Midwest, the U.S. and the world. We want them to know how important they are to the continued success of our programs.

We could concentrate on events in Portage, Marathon, Waupaca and Wood counties and have a full-time alumni program. But we can't forget about alumni living in California, on the East Coast,

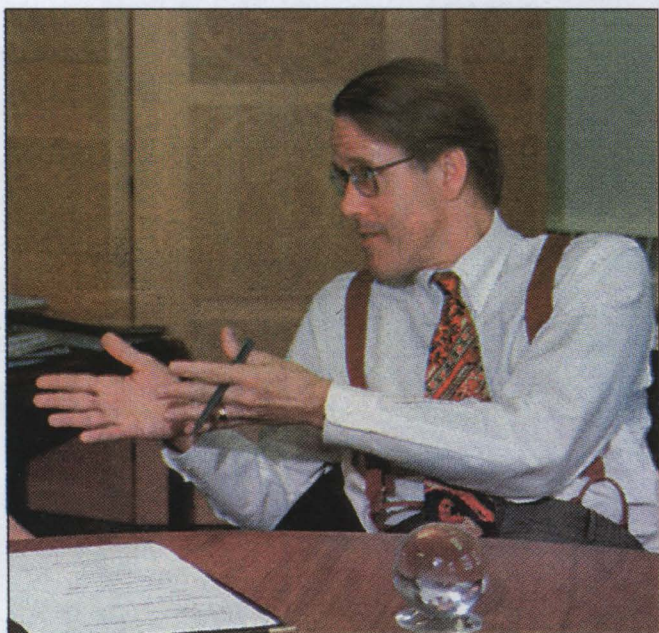
Arizona or Florida. They are also very important to the mission of the Foundation and the Alumni Relations Office. We will rely on the Foundation Board, Alumni Association Board and volunteers as part of the teamwork. Bruce and I have discussed ever since he arrived at UWSP.

Froehlke: As I've said, our goal is to enhance the quality of teaching and learning at the University of Wis-

consin-Stevens Point. Our objectives include stimulating substantially greater giving by people who got their start here and, we hope, can be convinced to give something back. We have a pretty complex set of strategies to accomplish that. It would probably take another article of this length to describe them all!



Bruce Froehlke



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In only their second year of competition, the Pointer women's golf team pulled off a dramatic two-stroke victory to win the WIAC conference championship. Members of the team are: kneeling (left to right) Lisa Haas, freshman from Sparta; Sommer Savino, freshman from Racine. Standing (left to right) Jodi Dresen, freshman from Racine; Liza Peterson, junior from Waupaca; Jodee Rydberg, senior from Burnsville, Minn.; Jill Brenengen, freshman from Appleton; Kelly Schroeder, sophomore from Oshkosh; Kathryn Carlson, freshman from Chippewa Falls.

1997 fall season review

There were plenty of highs and lows as the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point completed the 1997 fall sports season. The women's soccer team made a fourth appearance in five years in the NCAA Division III Tournament, falling in the first round, after winning their fifth WIAC women's soccer title in the last six seasons. The men's cross country team won their second straight WIAC title on favored UW-La Crosse's home course before finishing fifth at the NCAA Division III Championships on a soggy Boston, Mass. course. The Pointer football team ended up 6-4, 3-4 in the WIAC, after dropping their last three contests of the season. UWSP had

posted a four-game winning streak to open the season but won just twice more in the final six games. The volleyball squad posted their second 20-win season in the last three years at 21-14 and, as host of the WIAC Championships, took nationally-ranked UW-Eau Claire to the five-game limit before falling in the quarterfinals. The women's golf team, in just their second season of existence, won the WIAC Championship by a slim two strokes. A young women's tennis team finished 3-7 in dual competition before coming in sixth at the WIAC Championships. An even younger women's cross country team finished sixth at the WIAC Championships.

1997-98 winter sports update

As of March 1 the Pointer winter sports teams were enjoying fine seasons as they prepared to make their respective playoff runs. At the halfway point of the season, the men's basketball team stood 11-3, 3-2 in the WIAC, as they looked to repeat their magical NCAA run of 1997. However, they finished fourth in their conference, ending their season at 17-8 overall, 9-7 WIAC, with a 84-79 win over Stout. The women's basketball team reached the midway point of their season at a somewhat surprising 9-5, 4-1 WIAC. With one game left in the regular season they were fourth in their conference with a 13-11 overall and 8-7 conference record. The hockey team will make its first trip to the NCHA playoff championship series since the 1993-94 season after a dramatic mini-game win over River Falls in the semifinals. They will face the regular-season champion Green Knights of St.

Norbert College. Following another impressive regular season, the wrestling squad was denied their fourth straight conference title. They emerged from the WIAC tournament with six national qualifiers, but finished second to La Crosse. The men's and women's swimming and diving teams' holiday training trip to Hawaii must have paid off for them. For the second straight year the men captured the WIAC conference title. On the strength of 13 first place finishes they defeated Eau Claire 1140-1074. Many lifetime best performances propelled the women to fourth place at the WIAC championships. The men's and women's indoor track & field teams gained momentum for the WIAC indoor championships with impressive showings at the Pointer Invite. The men topped number one ranked La Crosse 234-194 1/2, while the women finished second to La Crosse.

Looking ahead to spring

Three Pointer sports will complete the 1997-98 season. The Pointer softball team opens its season in Minneapolis, Minn., at the Arlington Sports Dome Invite on March 13-14 before heading for Hilo, Hawaii, and the Kona Fastpitch Classic. Their first "northern" regular season game will be at Carthage College in Kenosha on March 28. The home opener is scheduled for April 6 against Ripon College. The Pointer baseball team opens in

the Gene Cusic Classic in Ft. Myers, Florida, on March 14, in the first of 12 games down south before returning north to open the regular season against Edgewood College at home on April 4. The Pointer track and field teams open their outdoor season on April 4 at the Norseman Relays at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. Their only home action of the season comes on April 18 in the Stevens Point Invite at Colman Track.

Baseball ranked fourth in national poll

The UW-Stevens Point baseball team, fresh off a sixth-place finish in its first-ever NCAA Division III College World Series, has been ranked fourth in the nation in Collegiate Baseball's Pre-Season Poll. Point, which went 31 to 13 in 1997, falls in behind number one Wooster, Ohio, number two Carthage of Kenosha, and number three North Carolina Wesleyan. UW-Oshkosh, at number seven, is the only other WIAC team listed in the top 30.

Individually, right-handed pitcher Chris Simonson, first baseman Chris Berndt, and third baseman Scott Mueller are listed as Division III players to watch. Point begins their 1998 season at the Gene Cusic Classic in Ft. Myers, Fla., on March 14.

Pointer spring schedules

Baseball

March	14-22	Gene Cusic Classic	Fort Myers, Fla.
April	4	Edgewood College	Home
	7	Lakeland College	Sheboygan
	9	St. Scholastica	Home
	11	UW-Oshkosh	Home
	17	UW-River Falls	Home
	18	UW-La Crosse	Home
	21	Concordia University	Mequon
	24	UW-Whitewater	Whitewater
	25	UW-Platteville	Home
May	1	UW-Stout	Menomonie
	2	UW-Superior	Superior
	4	Marian College	Fond du Lac
	9	Conference Championships	TBA

Softball

March	16-21	Kona Fastpitch Classic	Hilo, Hawaii
	26-27	Gopher Invitational	St. Paul, Minn.
	28	Carthage College	Kenosha
	29	Marian College	Fond du Lac
April	3-4	Stout Invitational	Menomonie
	5	St. Olaf College	Northfield, Minn.
	6	Ripon College	Home
	7	UW-Platteville	Home
	9	Milwaukee School of Engineering	Milwaukee
	14	UW-Whitewater	Whitewater
	18-19	Concordia St. Paul Invitational	St. Paul, Minn.
	21	UW-Oshkosh	Home
	25-26	Pointer Invitational	Home
	30	WIAC Conference	
May	1-2	Championships	Eau Claire

Men's Track & Field/Cross Country

Indoor

March	13-14	NCAA III Indoor Championships	Boston, Mass.
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Outdoor

April	4	Norseman Relays	Decorah, Iowa
	11	North Central Quad	Naperville, Ill.
	18	Stevens Point Invitational	Home
	24-25	Drake Relays	Des Moines, Iowa
	25	Eau Claire Bugold	Eau Claire
May	2-3	WIAC Outdoor Championships	Platteville
	8	Marquette Invitational	Milwaukee
		or	
		Dr. Keeler Invitational	Naperville, Ill.
	15	North Central Invitational	Naperville, Ill.
	21-23	NCAA III Outdoor Championships	St. Paul, Minn.

Women's Track & Field/Cross Country

Indoor

March	13-14	NCAA III Indoor Championships	Boston, Mass.
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Outdoor

April	4	Norseman Relays	Decorah, Iowa
	11	North Central College Quad	Naperville, Ill.
	18	Stevens Point Invitational	Home
	25	UW-La Crosse Classic	La Crosse
May	2-3	WIAC Outdoor Championships	Platteville
	8	Marquette Invitational	Milwaukee
		or	
		Dr. Keeler Invitational (NCC)	Naperville, Ill.
	15	North Central Invitational	Naperville, Ill.
		or	
	16	UW-Oshkosh Last Chance	Oshkosh
	21-23	NCAA III Outdoor Championships	St. Paul, Minn.

Softball aiming high this spring

"Up Among the Elite" is the motto printed boldly across the cover of the 1997 UWSP fastpitch yearbook.

Current Pointer tennis coach Nancy Page put Pointer softball on the map in 1981, leading that inaugural outfit to a perfect 8-0 conference record and on to the regionals in Rock Island, Ill.

Sixteen years later head coach Dean Shuda, with assistants Rod Runyan and Kelli Harms, have elevated UWSP to one of the premier Division III programs in the country.

Shuda came to the Pointer program with notable credentials including five seasons as the head coach of the Stevens Point "Sixers" American Legion baseball team. During that tenure he led the team to the 1992 American Legion State Championship and runner-up finishes in 1990 and 1993. He currently stands second on the all-time Pointer coaching list with a .687 winning percentage.

Great pitching, solid hitting and defense are the ingredients for success in this game and a look at the Pointer record book will confirm that Shuda and his staff have mixed the ingredi-



Jill Kristof prepares to take a cut at a pitch during last spring's Pointer Invitational Tournament.

ents successfully. Dena Zajdel, a senior from Racine St. Catherine's, Kari Rowekamp, a senior from Stanley-Boyd and Jill Kristof, a junior from Wittenberg-Birnamwood can all be found in several categories of this Who's Who list of Pointer standouts.

"We have, through the years, gotten players to play here from all corners of the state," Shuda said. "The state

as a whole has improved so much in five years. We go wherever the talent is. We have had very good luck with the smaller school kids, they seem to work harder." Eight members of the Pointer roster received All-State post-season honors in high school.

Taking advantage of an NCAA rule allowing teams to play up to nine games outside the regular season, the Pointers recently completed a

fall schedule that included games with Division I powers Notre Dame and UW-Madison and Division II national runner-up, UW-Parkside.

Coach Shuda reflected on the Pointers' performances, "This was a great experience for these Division III kids to go up against top teams. We pushed them to the limit. They didn't have an easy time with us. Our fall season rivals anyone in the Midwest, the kids really appreciate the chance to play the big schools."

The Pointers, who had a taste of life at the top with their 1996 appearance in the College World Series, have set their sights squarely on a return trip in 1998. "We all want to get back to the College World Series," noted Zajdel. "We were there two years ago, and I truly believe we have a team capable of getting there again. If we keep working hard over the winter and spring, we have the talent to go far."

The Pointers start their quest for the 1998 College World Series in March with tournament appearances in Minneapolis and Hawaii.

Hall of Fame inducts Crandall

A longtime head trainer at UWSP has been inducted into the Wisconsin Athletic Trainers Association (WATA) Hall of Fame.

Charles Crandall, a former assistant professor, served as the head trainer at UWSP for 22 years. He currently works at UW Hospital's Sports-medicine Center in Madison.

Crandall's interest in athletic training education began by teaching and mentoring undergraduate and graduate students at UWSP. He has been a test administrator and evaluator with the National Athletic Trainers Association Board of Certification. He also serves as a program coordinator of continuing sports medicine education for local, state and regional meetings and symposia.

Crandall is a charter member and founder of WATA and has served in various offices in the organization including two terms as president. He received the WATA Distinguished Service Award in 1986.

Krcmar in football All-Star Classic

Ryan Krcmar, a senior defensive back for UW-Stevens Point, played in the first USA III/Martin Luther King Holiday All-Star Classic in Fayetteville, North Carolina, on January 19. He was one of six WIAC players chosen and he played extensively in the game at safety and on special teams. A native of Green Bay, Krcmar earned First Team All-WIAC honors for the second straight season. He was also a First Team GTE/CoSIDA District V Academic All-American.

Kriewaldt earns All-American honors

Clint Kriewaldt, a junior linebacker, earned a pair of All-American honors as the post-season football awards were handed out. Kriewaldt, a First Team All-WIAC pick for the second straight season, was named *Football Gazette* First Team All-American and Hewlett-Packard Division III Third Team All-American honors. A native of Shiocton, he has led UWSP in tackles for three straight seasons and has over 300 in his career. He also scored nine touchdowns as part of the Pointers' "Elephant" backfield set.

Hornby earns NCAA postgraduate scholarship

Joel Hornby, a senior defensive lineman for the UWSP football squad, has earned a prestigious \$5,000 NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. A three-time All-WIAC pick, twice on the offensive line and this past season on defense, carries a 4.00 grade-point-average in biology, with plans to graduate in May. He was one of 13 Division II/III student-athletes honored. Hornby, a native of Richland Center, is the second Pointer to earn the scholarship, following basketball player John Mack, who was honored in 1983. Hornby's other post-season honors include GTE/CoSIDA First Team Academic All-American and Second Team *Football Gazette* West Region All-American.

Kotal Field dedicated

The football practice area on campus was renamed and dedicated as Eddie Kotal Field on Sept. 20 in conjunction with the 11th Annual Spud Bowl football game.

Kotal, a UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame member known as "The Builder of Champions," coached several UWSP football and basketball conference championship teams in the 1930s and 1940s. Dedication of the field, which lies between the Berg and Quandt gyms and the walk between Reserve Street and DeBot Center, was followed by the Pointers' 47-0 defeat of Bemidji State University at the Spud Bowl.

Kotal played halfback for the Green Bay Packers under Curly Lambeau when the team won its first champi-



Kotalmen taking part in the dedication include Felix Bohan, '40, Los Osos, Calif.; Reuben Belongia, '40, Eau Claire; Myron Fritsch, '34, Withee; Bob Schunk, '46, Rhinelander; Jim Kulidas, '43, Crete, Ill. and Lewis Drobnick, '40, Omro.

onship in 1929. He came to UWSP in 1930, winning conference crowns in football in 1933, 1934 and 1936. His 1935 football team was suspended from the conference after some of the players and

Kotal participated in pre-season exhibition games with the Chicago Bears and the Packers. Kotal's teams won basketball conference championships in 1933, 1935, 1936, 1937 and 1942. He also coached championship boxing and track teams while at UWSP.

Kotal left the university in 1942 to become a coach and scout for the Packers, and, four years later, joined the Los Angeles Rams as chief scout, and, later, backfield coach.

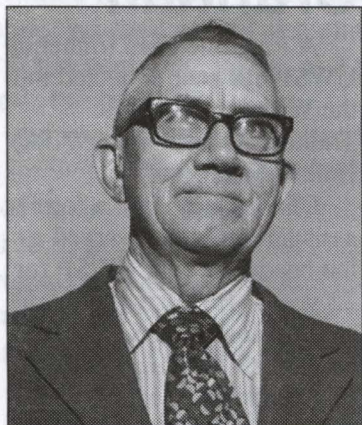
Inducted into UWSP's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1972, Kotal is also memorialized with a scholarship that began that same year. He died in January 1973, three months after his induction.



Joining in the celebration were members of Kotal's family, left to right, Eduardo Cortes, grandson; Nancy Cortes, daughter; Alejandro Cortes, grandson; Henrietta "Hank" Kotal, Eddie's wife; Nicolas Cortes, grandson; and Tom Kotal, son.

William H. Clements

William Howard Clements, 89, emeritus professor of education, died Dec. 31, 1997 at Linden Ridge Retirement Center, Mukwonago.



William Howard Clements

Known as a friend of small schools, he served as a member of the faculty at UWSP for 21 years and as director of institutional research from 1966 until he retired in 1975. A 1939 graduate of

UWSP, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 1990.

Clements turned to teaching when a leg injury threatened to prohibit him from working his farm. He began his teaching career at Goff State Graded School near Thorp. He also taught at Bancroft, Oxford, Oakfield, Juda and Waldo high schools before receiving his doctorate from UW-Madison. He began teaching at UWSP in 1955.

"Advocate of local control of public education, foe of consolidations that would create huge schools and long bus rides for children, critic of many new trends in the classroom, classical conservative, and ever polite in his style—these are some of his distinguishing marks." So

Sisters leave bequest to university

A Stevens Point woman and her sister from Illinois have bequeathed part of their estate to UWSP "to help students."

The late Almyra Betlach and her sister Evelyn, who preceded her in death, left 20 percent of their estate to the university. An initial payment of \$60,000 was given to the UWSP Foundation. In the past, unrestricted funds such as the Betlach's have been distributed among the four colleges to support research projects, equipment and computer purchases and to promote technology in the classroom.

Evelyn received a two-year teaching certificate in 1920 from Stevens Point Normal School and a bachelor's degree in 1939 from Stevens Point Teachers College. She taught fourth grade for many years in

Naperville, Ill. Almyra went to work for Sentry Insurance right after high school graduation and stayed with the firm for 44 years. The sisters always had a strong interest in UWSP and its programs, especially theatre and dance, said their cousin Bill Hoppen. Hoppen and his sister, Mary Hanson of Stevens Point, were the Betlach's closest relatives.

Involved with various civic projects, Almyra "will long be remembered by those of us who knew her as a gentle woman who cared deeply about her church and her community. We are grateful for her generous gift and will make sure that her wish to help students will be fulfilled," said Scott Schultz, accepting the bequest on behalf of the UWSP Foundation.

wrote John Anderson of UWSP News and Publications on the occasion of Clements' retirement.

During his career at UWSP, he spent one year in Nigeria with the United Nations. After retirement he and his wife, Belva, moved to Mountain Home, Ark. She survives.

A memorial has been established with the UWSP Foundation.

Donald V. Rupert

Donald V. Rupert, 65, died on Feb. 8, 1997, in Shreveport, La., after a lengthy illness.

After teaching in the music department at UWSP in the early 1970s, he went on to serve 25 years as professor of music at Centenary College.

He was a concert pianist and a grantee of the Fulbright Scholarship in Cologne, Germany. He served in the U.S. Army from 1953 to 1955. He was active in Episcopal churches in Stevens Point and Shreveport.

Rupert earned his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees from Eastman School of Music.

Richard D. Face

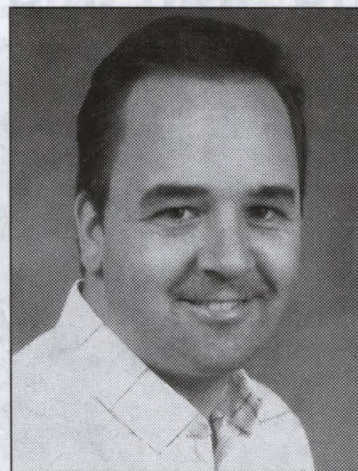


Richard D. Face

Richard D. Face, 71, emeritus professor of history, died Sept. 23, 1997, in Palm Springs, Calif.

He came to UWSP in 1963 and taught for 27 years, specializing in the economic and social histories of medieval Europe. He held bachelor's and master's degrees

David J. Thiele



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David Thiele, 37, assistant director of administrative information systems, died unexpectedly Jan. 24.

A native of Stevens Point, he was a 1978 graduate of the Stevens Point Area Senior High School. He received a bachelor's degree in business in 1982 at UWSP and a master's degree in business administration at UW-Oshkosh in 1996.

He had worked at UWSP since he was a student and was hired full time in 1983.

He is survived by his wife, Julie, and a daughter.

A memorial fund for his family has been established at M&I Bank, P.O. Box 8, Stevens Point, WI, 54481.

Bayard S. Wentworth

Bayard S. Wentworth, a former security officer at UWSP, died Jan. 17 in Stevens Point at age 81.

He graduated from Central State Teachers College in 1940 and served in the Army Signal Corps during World War II. He worked at Joerns Furniture and Weber Tackle in Stevens Point before joining the university as a watchman in 1963.

During his career, Wentworth was promoted to patrolman and reclassified as a security officer. He retired in 1979.

Memorials have been established in his name for St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Stevens Point, the American Parkinson's Association, Hospice of Portage County and the activity department at the Portage County Health Care Center.

His wife, Gladys, survives him.

Scholarship to benefit chemistry majors

A Milwaukee chemist has established a \$10,000 scholarship endowment with the UWSP Foundation.

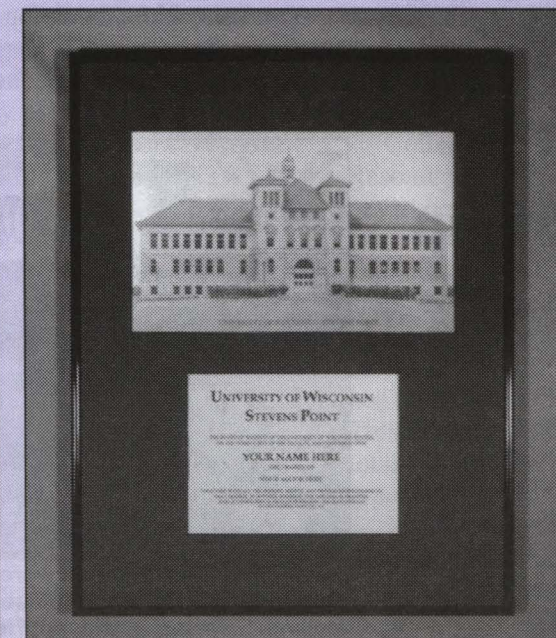
Gilbert J. Kaczmarek, who works for the city of Milwaukee's wastewater treatment division, has established a scholarship in his name to benefit outstanding chemistry majors at UWSP. The annual award will recognize excellent junior or senior chemistry students. Department faculty will review applications and select recipients.

Department Chair Jack Reed says, "We are very excited to be able to support outstanding students with this scholarship. On behalf of the Department of Chemistry, I wish to publicly thank Mr. Kaczmarek for his generosity."

Kaczmarek calls the university "a great place which he wants to help make greater for future students." He credits "Doc Trytten" (UWSP chemistry professor from 1945-82 and former department chair for whom the chemistry lecture hall is named) with inspiring him to pursue a career as a chemist. "I always vowed that when I got out in the real world and made my fortune, I wouldn't forget who gave me my start. It is important to give something back," Kaczmarek believes.

Scholarship donations can be sent to the UWSP Foundation, 2100 Main St., Stevens Point, WI 54481.

How about a frame for your diploma?



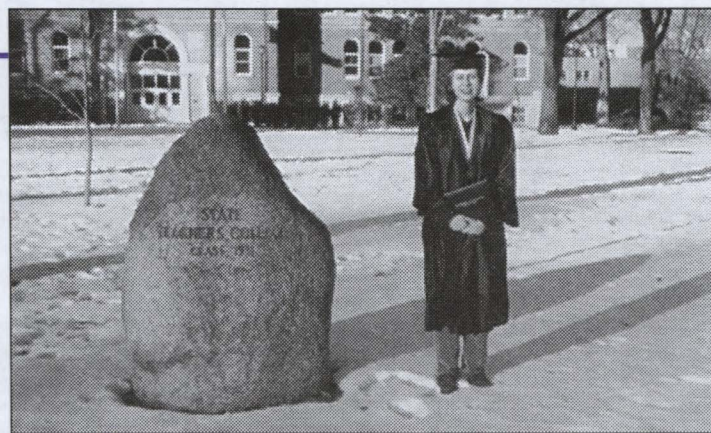
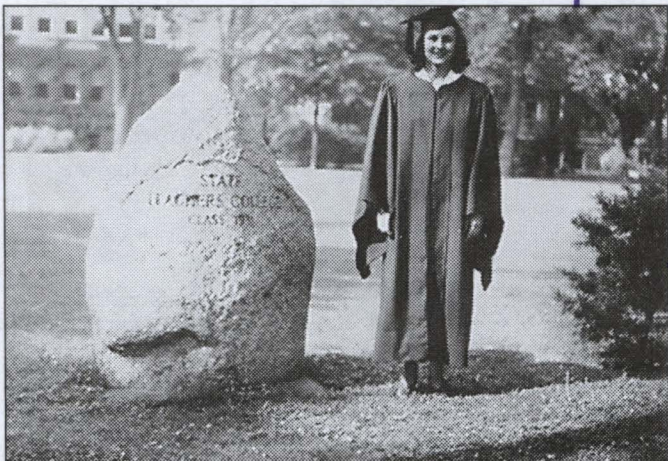
Is your UWSP diploma still in a box in the basement? Tucked away in a file drawer?

How about displaying it with "Pointer Pride" in your home or office? The UWSP Alumni Association is excited to offer a new 16"x 20" diploma frame from Milestone Designs of Madison, a company co-owned by Ray Steiner, '92. The black or gold frames are easy to assemble and will beautifully display your UWSP diploma.

You may order your diploma frame directly from Milestone Designs. Send check or money order for \$75 (black frame, single purple matte) or \$85 (gold frame, double purple and gold matte), plus \$7 shipping and handling to: Milestone Designs, P.O. Box 45242, Madison, WI 53744.

UWSP family-style

In the spring of 1942, Margaret (Edwards) Jung, left, graduated from Stevens Point's Central State Teachers College and got her photo taken in front of Old Main. Fifty-five years later, her granddaughter, Rebecca (Jung) Totzke, '97, right, was able to walk in her grandmother's footsteps and get a similar photo taken after her own Dec. 13 graduation. In spite of the photos' similarities, they represent different people in different times. After her graduation, Jung married and never taught, Totzke said. Although she is already married, Totzke plans to teach music and band in her new home of Minneapolis. She is the daughter of Bill and Patricia Jung of Onalaska.



Three generations study together



Barbara Scheper, left, Diana Lane, center, and Lindsay Watters represent three generations who are attending UWSP at the same time.

Barbara Scheper is a senior majoring in sociology with minors in gerontology and music. She is also the mother and grandmother of UWSP students.

Her daughter, Diana Lane, Plover, is a junior majoring in dietetics with a minor in nutrition. Her granddaughter, Lindsay Watters, is a freshman who hasn't decided on a major. "I'm interested in everything," Watters says. "I haven't had a class that I didn't like."

All three women work in addition to their studies. But even with their busy schedules, they run into each other on campus occasionally. They have been able to attend some classes together.

Shortly after Scheper and her daughter, Lane, took an art class with David Smith, associate professor of art, Scheper decided to travel to London for a summer of study. Smith was planning to go too, but had a last minute change of plans. He asked Lane to take his ticket, but she couldn't leave just at that time. So Smith gave the ticket to Watters and the grandmother/granddaughter duo traveled together. Scheper helped Watters rush to get a passport the day before the flight to England.

"Watching all the things Mom accomplished in those hectic days before they left for London takes my breath away," Lane says. "She really inspires me."

Before coming to Stevens Point, Scheper was as an executive secretary. She also taught piano and voice at the University of Missouri in Kansas City and had a music studio in her home. But a divorce led her to consider a career change, so she headed back to school.

"I'm so thankful Mom set an example for me by going back to school," Lane says. "I might never have done it otherwise, and it has opened up my world." Lane is also divorced. She and her husband ran a small business, and she had to start a new career.

Once in a while Lane feels that a few of her science courses are difficult, but she keeps her goal in front of her and works through the tough classes. "I'm going to reach that goal," she says.

Lane has another daughter, Andrea, who is a junior at SPASH. The girls think their mom is more sympathetic about their homework since she started college. She admits that she is more likely to appreciate the hard work they put in on their studies. "She really cuts Andrea and me more slack now," Lindsay says.

Building family relationships

In 1973 Dave Grabski received a bachelor's degree in biology at UWSP. Since then he's had a rewarding career as a contractor in partnership with his brothers in G and G Builders. His other occupation is as the father of two sons, Dan and Brandon.

He has a great time with his kids, even when they work together on building jobs. But it's a different relationship—Dave becomes the boss and his sons are employees.

The father/son relationship has changed again since Dave started work on a second bachelor's degree, and Dan became a freshman at UWSP. Now they are in the same boat—as fellow students. The elder Grabski decided to go back to school to study natural sciences and education because, after 23 years of working in the building industry, he says, "I don't know

how much longer I'll be able to be up there shingling roofs in December." In addition, he really enjoys working with students, and is looking forward to becoming a teacher.

Teaching has always been an option for his son, Dan. "Teaching wouldn't be like going to work," he says. "It would be fun."

Father and son carpool to campus and both are enrolled in Geology 101. Dan knows that his father studies harder than the younger students. "I'll use Dad's notes when it comes to exam time," Dan says.

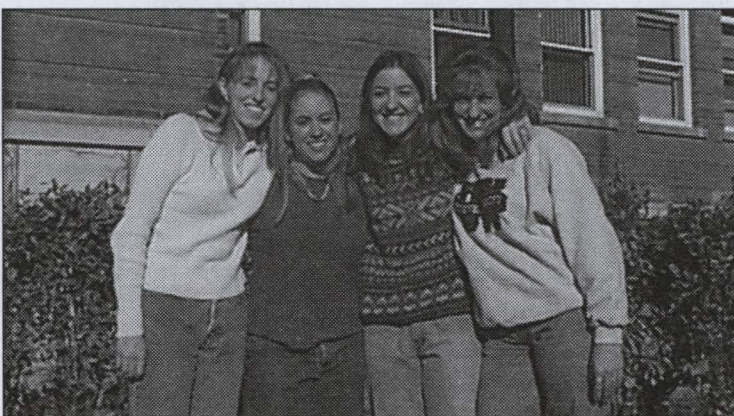
But there is a down side—the son sees non-traditional students like his dad as "curve wreckers." For instance, for an environmental education class Dave took last semester he did all the assigned reading and then spent 40 hours studying for the

exam. Dan smiles and shakes his head as Dave recounts the experience.

Dan plans to transfer to UW-Stout after his sophomore year to finish his degree in technology education because Stout is the only Wisconsin school to offer the degree. He has consulted with two advisors to make sure he's taking courses at UWSP that will transfer. He's certain that the transition will not be a problem.

Dave will be doing student teaching in the spring of 1999. When he lands a teaching job, he plans to keep his hand in the contracting business. He enjoys it tremendously when he and his sons can work on a job—just the three of them. "It would be really great if we could build a house together," he says.

UWSP is home to Andersons



Four members of the Anderson family, left to right, Kari, Jill, Karla and Kirsten, all attended UWSP.

The Anderson sisters have been to UWSP. They're not a singing group from the 40s; they are Kirsten, Kari, Karla and Jill Anderson, who all came to UWSP from Wausau—and some of them at the same time.

Kirsten, the first of the quartet to decide on a university, chose Stevens Point partly because her dad, Perry Anderson, encouraged her to stick with the UW System. "They are all excellent academic institutions," he says. "Her mother, Marge, and I saw Kirsten doing well in her career and repeated the advice to her sisters."

"We each made our own decision," Kari says. And they each concluded that UWSP had the programs they wanted. Jill says she liked the compact layout of the campus when she visited Kirsten.

Kirsten graduated with a bachelor's degree in business and marketing in 1993. After an internship at M&I Bank during her last semester at UWSP, she was hired and is still there.

When Kari started at UWSP, she was impressed with the elementary education program. But she switched to communicative

disorders, a program she believes is better than most others in the state. She was selected for a graduate assistantship to supervise undergraduate students working with preschoolers who needed extra help getting ready for kindergarten. Kari received her bachelor's degree in 1996 and will receive a master's degree next May.

Karla began her career at UWSP as an undecided major. She believes that she got a lot of good guidance from her professors and advisers about

career choices. She also took advantage of student tutors who helped her with biology. She will get her bachelor's degree in business and accounting in May and is looking for internships, or better yet, jobs in her field.

Jill, a freshman elementary education major, looked at programs at other UW schools. Proximity to Wausau was a consideration in her choice, although she goes home only occasionally to visit her dog and do her laundry.

Much of the technology that Jill uses was not available when Kirsten was a student. Jill has used e-mail to let a professor know she wouldn't be in class because of illness. She uses the campus network to find out test scores and check class schedules. She appreciates having computers in her residence hall because it means she doesn't have to go to the LRC late at night or in bad weather.

Kirsten, the eldest sister, remembers her first impression of UWSP as a friendly place. Jill, the youngest, confirms that impression after several months of being on campus.

Septuagenarian is among December grads

Raymond Kuehl, '97, was among UWSP's December graduates. At age 75, he is an aspiring artist who believes "if someone paints it, it's art."

Kuehl's broad definition of art germinated during his 39-year career in testing laboratories at Consolidated Papers of Wisconsin Rapids. When he began college at UWSP in 1985, he chose art and design as his major because, as he laments, "When I went to school the first time, they didn't believe in art."

He describes his own work as "narratives done with images." His paintings have met with some success including a show at the Wisconsin Rapids library and a University Bookstore Award at the annual juried student art show for his oil on canvas, "The Man Who Planted Trees."

He is fond of his fellow students whom he finds to be supportive and helpful. About five years ago, he and three of his younger female colleagues painted a 40-foot long mural above the dryers at the Old Towne Laundry on Stanley Street in Stevens Point.

A Nekoosa native, Kuehl lives with his wife, Darlene, Town of Grant. A veteran of World War II, was stationed in Hawaii, Okinawa and Korea. Kuehl's veteran benefits helped to finance his education. He is the father of nine grown children.

1990s

Susan Sandvick, '97, Washington D.C., was selected as a fall 1997 intern at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. She is working with the Friends of the Kennedy Center volunteer program.

Stacy Reiley, '97, Fond du Lac, is attending UW-Madison Law School.

Scott Olsen, '97, is working on a master's degree in design at Mankato State University, Mankato, Minn.

Scott Laufenberg, '97, is serving two years as an environmental associate with the Peace Corps in Kazakhstan.

Scott Ehret, '97, spent the summer and fall touring with Prairie Fire Children's Theatre Company.

Sabrina (Raasch) Hintz, '97, Pewaukee, teaches English and communication in the Elmbrook School District. Her husband **Brad**, '97, is a physical education teacher at Elmbrook. He was a member of the UWSP basketball team for four years.

Penny Lynn (Lofgren) Gregg, '97 master's, Niagara, is a speech pathologist for Florence Villa Nursing and Rehab Center. She is married to **Jonathan Gregg**, '96.

Paula Peasley, '97, Norfolk, Va., is a costume assistant with the Virginia Opera. She plans to begin graduate studies in costume design next fall.

Paula Cavanaugh, '97, Manitowoc, teaches sixth grade for Manitowoc Public Schools.

Monica Kamps, '97, Americus, Ga., is a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity International as a Special Projects Coordinator for the campus chapters and youth programs department. She helps student groups get involved in the work of Habitat. Since starting with Habitat for Humanity, she has gotten involved in many aspects of volunteer life. She belongs to a writer's group, helps with the recycling program in volunteer housing, and volunteers in both the local soup kitchen and a nearby AIDS/HIV support group. She plans to begin work toward a master's degree in creative writing in the fall.

Owen Reynolds, '97, is pursuing a master's degree in technical theatre at Wayne State University, Detroit.

Michelle Meyer, '97, Green Bay, is an interior designer for Nordon Business Environments in Appleton. She says hello to the interior architecture faculty and the class of '97.

Kathleen Peterson, '97, Woodruff, teaches German at Rhinelander High School. Her husband, **Ty**, '96, is a police officer for the Lac du Flambeau Police Department.

Joseph Vancik, '97, West Bloomfield, Mich., is seeking a master's degree in sports administration at Michigan State University.

Jeremy Doucette, '97, is pursuing a master's degree in design at Rutgers University in New Jersey.

Jason Prah, '97, Chicago, returned to UWSP last year to complete his degree. After graduation, he was in Branson, Mo., performing in *Christmas in the Ozarks* at the Opera House in Silver Dollar City.

Jason Berry, '97, Waupaca, is an advertising sales representative for Waupaca Publishing Company. He plans to marry in May.

Diana Guthman, '97, is a missionary and high school English teacher with the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod World Missions. Her address is Evangelic Gymnasium, Attn: Diana Guthman, 980 61 Tisovec, Slovakia. She will be teaching there until July.

Crescent Allen, '97, Chicago, played Mary in the *Living Nativity* at the Firsco Freight Barn in Silver Dollar City, Branson, Mo.

Connie (Golembiewski) Malueg, '97, is teaching third grade at Marion Elementary School. She lives in Caroline.

Carla Heebner, '97, Greenfield, a fitness specialist for Health Fitness Corporation/GE Medical Systems, will marry **Scott Rankin**, '97, in May.

Amy Berns, '97, Madison, is an analyst for TDS-Telecom, Madison.

Alison Gillis, '97, choreographed *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at Kalamazoo College. She teaches elementary school music and movement.

Craig Haen, '97, is studying drama therapy at New York University.

Chris Havel, '94, has written a book with "the world's greatest quarterback," Brett Favre.

Favre: for the Record was published by Doubleday last fall and is available at bookstores throughout Wisconsin.

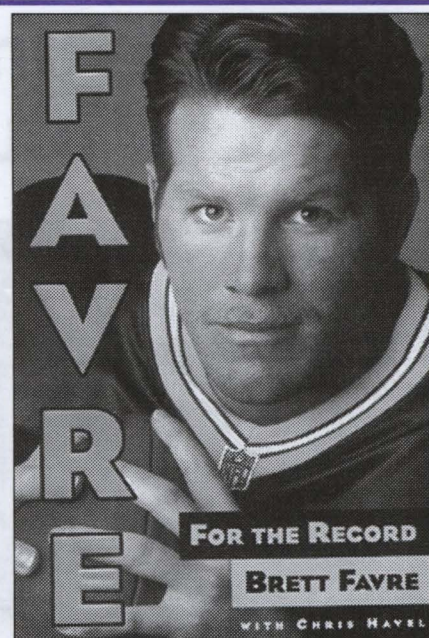
While covering the Packers for the *Green Bay Press Gazette*, Havel got to know most of the players. One day he told Favre that he thought there was a book in his life. Favre off-handedly agreed to write the book with Havel. Remembering that casual conversation, Favre turned down Peter King of *Sports Illustrated* and Dick Schapp who has written other Packer books. After months of research, Havel began interviewing Favre.

"The book might have been a lot harder to write," he says, "but Brett is a gifted storyteller." In the book, Favre discusses his string of personal adversities including his addiction to painkillers and becoming a teenage parent. He also gives his opinions of the Falcons and the Cowboys and talks about Coach Holmgren.

Havel credits Dan Houlihan, emeritus professor of communication, with getting him started in journalism. "He took me aside and told me he thought I could make a living as a writer. No one had told me that before—or since," Havel says.

Havel started in journalism at the campus radio station, but when he was given the task of reading the line-up for a game, he got the giggles. So he moved to print journalism with a job at the Wisconsin Rapids *Daily Tribune* and then the *Wausau Daily Herald*. He lived in Idaho for a few years, covering the Boise State University's *Idaho Statesmen*.

He now serves as a columnist for the *Press Gazette*. He co-hosts two weekly radio programs. On Fridays, he and Pete Dougherty, a fellow sports writer, "sit and talk Packers for half an hour" on WGEE radio. On Mondays



Adam Theisen, '97, performed the role of Motel the Tailor in the Fireside Theatre production of *Fiddler On The Roof* and toured with the Nebraska Theatre Caravan in *A Christmas Carol*. In February, he returned to the Fireside as assistant director of *Camelot*.

Jason Fassl, '97, is a graduate teaching assistant at the University of Arizona studying theatrical lighting. He can be reached by e-mail at jfozz@gci_net.com

Suzanne Burrows, '96, Minneapolis, performed in *The Petrified Forest* at the Minneapolis Cheap Theatre.

Patrick Viall, '96, Chicago, is working in the industrial film business and was accepted in a training program at the Steppenwolf Theatre.

Maren Halushka, '96, New York, is a scholarship student at the Broadway Dance Center. She appeared as a featured performer on the MTV weekly dance program *The Grind*.

Jessica Lanis, '96, is pursuing a master's degree in acting at Rutgers University in New Jersey.

Jessica Hallam, '96, is dancing at DisneyWorld in Orlando, Fla. She has performed with the Wildredo Rivera Dance Company in Chicago and in the Disney's *Hercules*.

Heather Poll-Sorenson, '96, spent a year touring with and serving as an administrator for Prairie Fire Theatre of Minneapolis. She got married in December and works as a teacher's aid.

Chad Robran, '96, Hudson, works for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, representing them to the Western Wisconsin area medical community. He promotes major medications from antibiotics to drugs for Alzheimer's disease. While at UWSP, he had many athletic accomplishments in track and field.

Ann Johnson, '96, Schofield, is a copy editor and receptionist at Palmer Publications, Amherst. She married Brian Olson last October.

Amanda (White) Manzke, '96, Onalaska, and her husband **Rob**, '97, both attend graduate school at UW-La Crosse. They were married in January.

Aaron Johnson, '96, **Jace Nichols**, '97, and **Andy Peplinski**, '97, share an apartment in Chicago. Aaron spent some time in Branson, Mo., before moving to Chicago. Jace returned to complete his degree after a year in Branson.

Lisa (Kazen) Schnabel, '95, has moved back to Wisconsin to open a dance studio, so her husband, **Kurt**, '95, a senior at the University of Arizona, is rooming with **Jason Fassl**, '97.

Travis Stroessenreuther, '95, Queens, N.Y., was cast in an off-off-Broadway revival of *Story Theatre*. He "absolutely LOVES the city."

Richard Ballering, '95, is pursuing a master's degree in stage management at the University of California-Irvine.

Patrick Connolly, '95, and his wife **Kristanne (Deters)**, '94, Madison, opened the Connolly Dance Company. They appear at the

Kanopy Performance Arts Center in Madison, and at colleges throughout the state. They were guest artists at last summer's Point Arts Camp.

Karen Henriksen, '95, Prescott, Ariz., is a partner in Henriksen Laser Crafts, her family's wood-working business. Previously she worked as a technical writer at a computer software company.

Greg Stillwell, '95, Stevens Point, works in the UWSP Registrars Office and has become a licensed massage therapist. He and his wife, Sarah, a student at UWSP, are expecting their second child in March.

Diana Reed Strommen, '95 master's, Plover, is general manager of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra. Noted for her efforts to support special needs through arts offerings, she is an artist and instructor of voice with the Wausau Conservatory of Music. She also is on the faculty of the Central Wisconsin Children's Choirs sponsored by the UWSP Conservatory for Creative Expression and is coordinating director of music for Trinity Lutheran Church.

Denise Humphrey, '95, is teaching, directing, designing, doing technical theatre work and renovating the high school theatre where she teaches in Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands.



▲ **Susan Simkowski**, '95 master's, has joined UW-Milwaukee as an outreach specialist for distance learning and instructional support.

Deborah (Marx) Thums, '95, Madison, is pursuing a doctorate in pharmacy at UW-Madison. Her husband, **Chad**, '95, is a chemist group leader at Hydrite Chemical Company in Cottage Grove. They were married in August.

Tyler Marchant, '95, is pursuing a master's degree in directing at the University of South Carolina.

Amy Vallin, '95, is working for the Louisville (Ky.) Science Center, a non-profit education institution dedicated to improving public understanding of science, math and technology through interactive exhibits and programs.

Pat Placzowski, '94, performed in *The Mouse Trap* and *A Christmas Carol* at St. Croix Falls Festival Theatre, St. Croix, Minn.

Jay Joseph, '94, Los Angeles, started his own public relations agency, Lost Dog Communications, in July. His clients include Nissan, Infiniti and Sun America Bank. Previously he worked for Manning Salvage & Lee and Porter Novelli public relations agencies.

Daniel Buttery, '94, graduated from Army Officer Candidate School last June. He was commissioned as a platoon leader, received further training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and serves as an engineering officer with Wisconsin Army National Guard at Chippewa Falls. He was director of marketing at Stephen Clause and Associates Marketing of Marshfield until October, when the company moved to Virginia. He now runs the Madison firm's Madison office and U.S. Congressman Mark Newman's campaign for the U.S. Senate.

Scott Zuelke, '94, Stevens Point, is the marketing director for Gamber-Johnson. His wife, Lisa (Farrier), is an account executive for Prism Holidays and will graduate from UWSP in May. They were married in July.

Stephanie (Alt) Chervin, '94, Ann Arbor, is a doctoral candidate in chemistry at the University of Michigan. Last July she married Ronald D. Chervin, M.D., an assistant professor of neurology at the university.

Book nook



Paula Kramer, '90, '95 master's, was interviewed about her book, *From Pyramids to Circles: Taking Hierarchy Out of Small Groups*, on Jean Feraca's Wisconsin Public Radio talk show. The book explains how group structure affects group outcome and can hinder group effectiveness. The book can be used by any business or nonprofit small group and includes advice for children's sports and classroom groups. She is working on another book, *The Power of Gossip: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly*. The book is available from Enlightenment Enterprises, P.O. Box 93, Nelsonville, WI 54458.

Ric Wyman, '93, Stevens Point, published *For the Love of Lucy*, with Abbeville Press in 1995. The book documents the life and career of comedienne Lucille Ball, featuring hundreds of photos of memorabilia and focusing on Ball's influence on American popular culture. The book was published by Abbeville Press, New York.

Greg Marr, '76, Waupaca, is the editor and founder of *Silent Sports*, a Waupaca-based magazine, as well as regional editor for *Eco Traveler* magazine. He has published *Short Bike Rides in Wisconsin* (Globe Pequot Press), a guide to 40 different bike excursions around the Badger State ranging in length from 10 to 30 miles.

The Marksmen, a movie set and filmed in the Wausau area, was created with the help of a number of UWSP alumni.

Filmmaker Jay Schillinger wrote, directed, produced and starred as Tommy Madden in the film. "It's a story about baseball, and much more," Schillinger says. Filmed in July 1996, it debuted in Wausau last May.

Joe Nienow, '95, met Schillinger when they were in high school. He began work on *The Marksmen* as location manager, then read for and got a role in the film.

"It was a great chance for the people who worked on the film to see what goes into making a movie," Schillinger says. **Zita Ruediger**, '91, Stevens Point, who was an extra on the film and served as a volunteer production assistant, says she found the experience valuable.

Chris Burgard, '84, plays Tommy Madden's best friend from high school and is somewhat of an antagonist in the film, Schillinger says. Burgard has had a role in 11 episodes of *Growing Pains*.

Dean Kovalski, '89, and **Mike Dorski**, a UWSP student in 1988, also had roles.

The film also stars Martha Byrne, who currently plays Lily on *As the World Turns*, and Steve Kanaly of *Dallas*.

The film was released at Marcus Theaters in Wisconsin last fall, and ran through Thanksgiving. It was run again in selected locations this winter and will soon be released as a video. Schillinger would love to plan a sequel when he sees how *The Marksmen* has fared.

Class Notes

1990s

Stacia (Schultz) Burrows, '94, Merrill, is a social worker for Lincoln County. She serves elderly and disabled people in long-term support. Last May she married Neil Burrows.

Peter Windingstad, '94, completed a master's degree in scenic design at the University of Arizona and is a freelance designer in the Chicago area.

Patti Sprague, '94, and her husband, **Luke**, '93, live in Gig Harbor, Wash. She is an instructor and choreographer at A World of Dance. She also choreographs musicals for high schools and community theaters in the Tacoma area.

Mike Hobot, '94, plays the role of Doodle in a national tour of *Grease*.

Melissa McGovern, '94, is touring in *How To Succeed In Business*, playing the role of Hedy LaRue. The show will be performed in several Wisconsin cities in March.

Matt Centner, '94, continues to cruise the Caribbean. He started a new show aboard the *Song of America*, sailing from New York to Puerto Rico. "It will be a year and two months without a day off," he says, but he's "working and happy."

Kara Prohaska, '94, Beaver Dam, is a third grade teacher for Beaver Dam Unified School District. She will be married in August to Tim Heibing. She was picked by Jacques d'Amboise to teach at the National Dance Institute in New York.

Julia (Hemphill) Helbach, '94, New Glarus, is a graphic designer and image setter for Econoprint in Madison and is a free-lance copywriter. Her husband, **Troy**, '95, is a programmer for Cuna in Madison. They have one child.

Jonathan Otto, '94, is stationed in Hanau, Germany, with his wife, **Laurie (Price)**, '94, and one son. Jonathan serves as a company executive officer, and Laurie works as an Army community services parent educator. He served in Operation Joint Endeavor and crossed the Sava River into Bosnia in January 1996. He began his second deployment to Bosnia in early October.

Glenda (Prom) Stanlick, '94, Pewaukee, works at Rogers Memorial Hospital in Oconomowoc. In September she married Jeff Stanlick. In December she earned a master's degree from UW-Milwaukee.

Christine Runte, '94, graduated from the Columbus School of Law in May, got married in October and passed the Maryland Bar in December. She specializes in criminal and environmental law. Her husband is specializes in corporate tax law with KPMG Peat Marwick law firm.

Andy Erlandson, '94, Madison, finished law school at UW-Madison and is a corporate litigation attorney with Reinhart, Boerner, Van Buren, Norris and Rieselbach.

Nic Burilini-Price, '94, performs in Minneapolis in children's theatre, improvisational comedy and musical theatre, including a role in *Tony and Tina's Wedding*. He did a national tour of *A Christmas Carol* and *Cotton Patch Gospel*.

Ginger (Torine) Lee, '91, has been teaching middle school in the Oshkosh School District for six years. "She's doing a great job," says James Hoffman, her principal. "She's a real success story."

Although Lee showed up at her job interview with a guide dog—by the way, she's blind—things went very well for her. Hoffman found her to be very positive and thought it was a great interview, so he gave her a chance to prove herself. He has been more than pleased with her performance as a teacher. "Ginger just showed everyone what could be done," he said.

Using a seating chart, she soon learns to recognize her students. She teaches them some Braille so they can label their projects. Her husband, Michael, helps a bit with correcting papers. Otherwise, it's just a normal classroom.

Lee teaches family and consumer education, and gets a kick out of students when they ask: "Mrs. Lee, do you think these two colors go together?" She always feels complimented when students forget that she's blind.

When Lee began teaching, students came to love her yellow Labrador, Rhonda. When Rhonda retired, her duties were taken over by Windy, a golden retriever. Rhonda visits the guidance office two days each week to keep her paw in.

Sight doesn't have much to do with being a good teacher, anyway, Lee believes. "I really think there has to be mutual respect," says Lee, who enjoys helping children learn and feeling the excitement and energy of middle school. "You really need to have confidence in yourself and know you can do it."

From an article in the Janesville Gazette by Marcia Nelesen.

Adriane Fang, '94, has been dancing with the Doug Varone Dance Company in New York since 1996. The company presented three new works in February at the Joyce Theatre in New York.

Tonya Beckman, '93, Cleveland, completed a master's degree in acting at Ohio University. She has been working in New England, including roles as Shelby in *Steel Magnolias* at the Princess Theatre in Lewiston, Maine and the title role in *Cinderella* in Cleveland.

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Tim Treptow, '93, is an instrumental music teacher for grades five through 12 in the Bonduel School District. He married Tasha Orlando in 1996. When we heard from them, she was at home expecting their first child.

Lisa (Gilson) Voight, '93, remained in Texas after completing a master's degree in theory and criticism at Stephen F. Austin University. She is currently employed at Quaker State Corporation and is the manager of the Motorsports program.

Jennifer (Klaas) Lecy, '93, Madison, and Jay Lecy were married last November.

Jan Wojtech, '93, Waupaca, is a graphic designer working on four-color women's crafts books for Krause Publications. She sends her thanks to all the faculty members who were valuable sources of encouragement during her nontraditional years at UWSP.

Bill Bolz, '93, Madison, recently received rave reviews for his performance in *The Nerd*.

Cheri (Wogsland) Mueller, '93,

Wittenberg, is a quality control/lab supervisor for Golden Guernsey Dairy/Foremost Farms USA. She and her husband, Titus, have one son. Cheri plays the accordion, and is working on her lifelong goal of running a polka band. So keep an eye out for "Cheri's Polka Euphonics."

Jody (Tratz) Greenwell, '93, Green Bay, is a social worker for Familyworks, Inc., based in Madison. Her husband, **Patrick**, '91, is a liability claims representative for American Express Property Casualty Companies in Green Bay. Jody graduated with her master's degree in social work from UW-Madison in 1995. Patrick is currently pursuing his master's degree in administrative science at UW-Green Bay. They were married in Stevens Point last October. Patrick worked in the Alumni Office while at UWSP.

Jeremy Schabow, '93, Milwaukee, is an employee assistance specialist for Family Enterprises, Inc. The

company provides crisis counseling and mental health referrals. His wife, Nancy, is a music therapist.

Amy (Bridich) Bell, '93, Germantown, is a teacher at Cedarburg High School. Her husband, John, is a programmer for Data Specialists, Inc. They were married in February 1997.

Paul Keene, '92, San Francisco, was mentioned in an article on Native American music and composers in the summer/fall issue of the *Journal of the Conductors' Guild*. Attention was brought to his composition, "Soul Flying With Wind," which was commissioned and premiered by the UWSP University Orchestra during the 1995-96 school year. Patrick Miles, professor of music, presented the composition at the Conductor's Guild Annual Conference in Philadelphia in 1996.

Nan (Herning) Bunnaw, '92, Neenah, has been named the principal of Nicolet Elementary School in Kaukauna. She received a master's degree from UW-Madison in December. She and her husband have a daughter.

Mindy Adkins, '92, Lenexa, Kan., is the district visual merchandiser for Bachrach, a family-owned men's retailer with 80 stores and a catalog division in Decatur, Ill. She works with nine stores and creates spring and fall guidelines for all stores.

Michael Etzweiler, '92, is on a national tour of CATS understudying McCavity, Skimble and Rum Tum Tugger. He appeared in national tours of *Tommy* and *Guys and Dolls*.

Drew Wimmer, '92, is a high school drama teacher and director at Seymour High School.

Dan Weirmann, '92, completed his master's degree at Northern Illinois University. He works for Mainstage Theatrical in Milwaukee and is on the board of directors for Danceworks in Milwaukee.

Lisa Tomko-Sveum, '92, La Crosse, is a computer graphic artist at McLoone Metal Graphics. Her husband, **Colin**, '90, earned his master's degree in 1994 at Oregon State University. He is employed by the U.S. Geological Service (Upper Mississippi) as a wildlife biologist. They've returned to Wisconsin and "hope to live here for a long time."

Laura (DiCicco) Bertjens, '92, Cuba City, is communication director for the Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce. Her husband, **Steven**, '92, is executive director of Southwest Badger Resource Conservation and Development. They were married in August 1993.

Kurt Salverson, '92, Mauston, is a fifth grade teacher for the New Lisbon School District. He also coaches football and baseball. He married Jane Walsh in June 1996.

Eric Huseby, '92, Tomahawk, is the assistant vice president of River Valley State Bank in Tomahawk. His wife, Cathy, is a closing agent for Northern Title.

Eric Brehm, '92, Stevens Point, manages the Village Apartments and reviews theatre department shows for the Stevens Point Journal. He recently performed the role of Harold Hill in the Central Wisconsin Area Community Theatre production of *Music Man*.

Daniel Daggett, '92, Madison, received his doctorate in environmental toxicology from UW-Madison and is working as a toxicologist for the Wisconsin Bureau of Public Health. He serves as a statewide resource on the health effects of pollution.

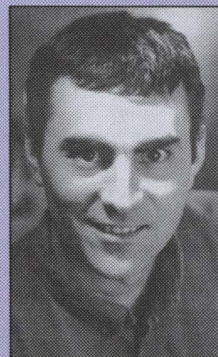
Theresa Selenske, '91, is an attorney in Wisconsin Rapids. Her e-mail address is selenske@juno.com. Her husband, Andrew, is a real estate broker.

Scott Griffith, '91, joined the Marine Corps in 1991 and is now on duty with Headquarters Battalion, Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twenty-nine Palms, Calif.

Jeff Wonders, '91, has been free-lance stage managing throughout the country and recently returned to Wisconsin.



This award winning photograph appeared on the cover of *Inside* magazine.



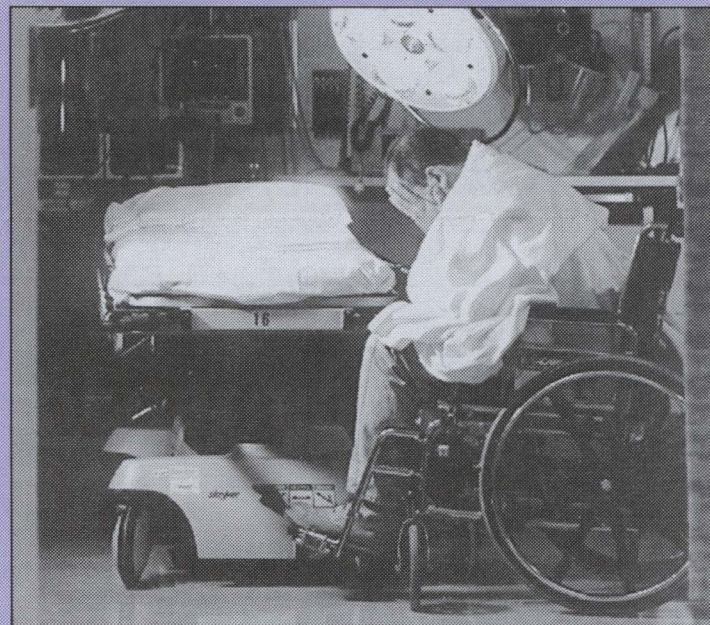
Chris Kelley, '94, was honored with two American Advertising Awards in February at the Greater Rockford Ad Club annual awards dinner.

The awards were given for photographs he took for *Inside*, the monthly newsletter for Rockford Health System employees, and for the 1998 Emergency Medical Services calendar.

As an Addy winner, Kelley is now eligible to compete at the district level with advertising clubs in Illinois, Michigan and Indiana. Winners from the district competition in March go on to the national competition in Minneapolis this June.

The American Advertising Awards, the industry's largest and most representative competition for creative excellence, are conducted annually by the American Advertising Federation.

Kelley joined Rockford Health Systems as a photographer in October, 1996. Formerly a photographer for the *Beloit Daily News*, he studied journalism at UWSP.



This photo by Chris Kelly, published in the 1998 Emergency Medical Services calendar, also was an award winner.

Guy Adkins, '91, Chicago, says that despite much successes, the one that gets the most attention on his resume is that he is the voice of Pop on the Rice Krispies commercial.

Shawn Pflugardt-Lang, '90, Stevens Point, earned a doctorate in clinical psychology and works in private practice with Clinical Services of Wisconsin Rapids. Her husband, **David**, '87, works in sales at Joerns Sunrise Medical.

Kelli Cramer, '90, after several years of a highly successful career in the Chicago dinner theatre circuit, has retired (temporarily) from the stage to have a baby.

Lisa (Soppa) Schock, '90, drama director at Arcadia High School, is married and looking forward to starting a family.

Scott Langteau, '90, is an assistant producer for Mission Control Entertainment Inc. in Burbank, Calif.

Mike Peterson, '90, runs Peterson Brothers Forestry, a consulting business, with his brother, Greg, a current UWSP student. Mike also works as the Washburn County forest administrator. He and his wife, Beth, live in Bruce.

Lee Soroko, '90, New Haven, Conn., has two part-time jobs as adjunct professor in acting, voice and movement at New York University and teaching and directing at Quinnipac College in Hamden, Conn.

Cynthia (Sanders) Brzank, '90, is a subrogation specialist for Meridian Resource in Milwaukee and a personal trainer at the Waukesha Athletic Club. She had a baby girl last October.

Cheryl Ringel, '90, Washington D.C., has completed graduate degrees in law enforcement and law.

Cindy (Elmore) Reynolds, '90, Urbana, Ill., is events manager at the Krannert Center for the Performing Arts at the University of Illinois.

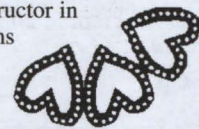
Beth Burrows, '90, returned to UWSP for an education degree in special education. She teaches in Milwaukee and does volunteer theatre work for local high schools.



Randi Johnson, '90, became engaged to

David Hanson on

top of a mountain last summer. David asked her to marry him at the 9,000-foot summit of Bridger Pass in Montana. Randi is working on her second bachelor's degree in the occupational therapy program at UW-Milwaukee. She works for the Milwaukee Public Schools Division of Community Recreation as a physical education instructor in their "Programs for Exceptional People."



Class Notes



Jeff "Bo" Ellis, '81, and Bob Baade, '80, "claim" Mount Kilimanjaro for UWSP during a 6-day climb of Africa's tallest peak in September. Ellis, a member of the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame, lives in Parker, Colo. and Baade resides in Oconomowoc.

1990s

Capt. Mike Cottreau, '90, Havelock, N.C., is an aircraft component repair officer for the Naval Aviation Depot of the U.S. Marine Corps Air Station-Cherry Point. His wife, Judy, is a special education teacher for Havelock Junior High.

1980s

Todd Stickney, '89, Lindenhurst, Ill., is now a proud father and enjoys the excitement and challenges of being director of talent at Six Flags Great America in Gurnee, Ill. He continues to employ a number of UWSP students.

Terence Kafka, '89, Edgar, works in the DNR's Wausau service center as nonpoint source pollution runoff management coordinator for the Central Wisconsin River Basin. He says, "stop by the office and say hello."

Elizabeth Lundal, '89, teaches at York Center School in Lombard, Ill. She spent last July as a service team member for Global Volunteers in Pommern, a rural village in Tanzania, East Africa. As one of 14 volunteers, she taught English to kindergartners and helped construct a new multipurpose building at the Pommern secondary school. While in Africa, she visited Zanzibar and Gombe National Park. She has traveled to Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, Hong Kong and China.

Susan Spencer, '89, has returned to New York after playing the role of Johanna in *Sweeney Todd* at the Pioneer Theatre in Salt Lake City where in 1995 she was featured in *The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber*.

Susan Rabideau, '89, completed her master's degree in directing at Mankato State University, Mankato, Minn.

Ron Cannell, '89, is the scene shop supervisor at Ohio State University.

Paul Nygro, '89, Los Angeles, is busy performing, writing, directing and choreographing. He has retired from his four-plus years as Aladdin in Disney promotions.

Mike Riha, '89, is a tenured member of the theatre faculty at the University of Arkansas where he is the scenic designer.

Mike Mikalsen, '89, Madison, is a research assistant for the Wisconsin State Assembly. His wife, **Kristi (Onopa)**, '88, is the product and services coordinator for Wisconsin Realtors Association. They had their first child last August.

Jay Shebuski, '89, Lowville, N.Y., is company commander of A Co. 2-87 Infantry, Tenth Mountain Division, Ft. Drum, N.Y. He recently completed a six-month tour with the Multinational Force and Observers in Egypt. He and his wife, **Andrea (Berceau)**, '88, have two children.

Dena Westby-Mercer, '89, is the drama teacher at Stevens Point Area Senior High School. She often brings students to UWSP theatre productions.

Dale Armstrong, '89, Vero Beach, Fla., is a senior forester for the Florida Division of Forestry in Okeechobee, Fla. He is a Project Learning Tree facilitator and a team member of the Everglades Restoration Project. He has received seven acting awards from regional community theaters. While at UWSP, Dale was Stevie Pointer and Mad Dog from 1985 to 1989 and the 1987 Homecoming King.

Cristina Van Valkenburg, '89, is in her fourth year as a principal performer in *Beach Blanket Babylon*, the longest running show in San Francisco.

Brian Posick, '89, Stoughton, is the afternoon sports anchor and week-night talk-show host on WIBA (1330 AM). He is also the play-by-play radio announcer for the UW-Madison women's basketball games. He was station manager of WWSP, the campus radio station. He and his wife, Lynn, have two children.

Becky (Sus) Foster, '89, is the manager of theatre programming at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. She is responsible for scheduling all plays and musicals that come to the center. She is also fund manager for New American Plays. She is expecting her first child in April.

Sherri Burby, '88, is working as a pyrotechnic and lighting designer for Universal Studios, Orlando, Fla.

Patrick Hartel, '88, Appleton, is marketing coordinator for Nelson Marketing. He married Ann Otto in December 1995 and they have one child. Patrick still gets to UWSP several times a year to watch and play rugby with the UWSP team. He plays for the Appleton Rugby Football Club, has toured Canada, New Zealand, Scotland and is planning a trip to Ireland this year.

Karen Urban-Dickson, '88, Sturgeon Bay, and her husband, Jan, announced the birth of their daughter last March.

Tom Speyer, '88, is a lighting designer for DisneyWorld, Orlando, Fla.

Michael Breaman, '88, Appleton, is an operations manager for Transport International Pool in Kaukauna. His wife, **Susan (Opitz)**, '88, was employed with Guardian Life Insurance in Appleton as a claims approver. She is now home with their three sons, ages five, four and one.

Jacqueline (Mueller) Tillotson, '88, is a captain with the U.S. Army in Germany. She works for the 208th Finance Battalion.

Kenneth Alwin, '87, Minneapolis, is in the information systems group of St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Co., St. Paul. He is responsible for managing and coordinating technology infrastructure changes affecting 10,000 computer users.

Doug Tuttrup, '87, and his wife, **Pattie (Haugen)**, '85, live in Madison and have one son. Doug is a project manager for Electronic Theatre Controls, a worldwide manufacturer of theatrical lighting control systems.

Paul Chilsen, '86, directed the feature film *Stricken*, with an ensemble cast from Los Angeles and Chicago including Kevin Patrick Walls and Jamie Kennedy. The script was written by **Bill Vought**, '82, who's also been working with Steven Spielberg and Martin Scorsese. *Stricken* is the story of six practical-joking college seniors who end up killing one of their group members during a forest preserve ambush. One of the remaining five then decides to murder the rest of the group. Some of the filming was done on the campus of UW-Parkside, Kenosha. Chilsen has worked more than three years in Hollywood, including a job as production manager for *Star Search*.



Clayton Kalmon, '87, Marshfield, is the administrator of River Pines Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Stevens Point. He focuses on enhancing the center's quality of care. He and his wife, Linda, have two children.

Steve Senski, '86, is director of music and liturgy at St. Bronislava Catholic Church in Plover, a position he has held since graduation. Steve also does book and film criticism for radio stations across the country.

Sandi (Saari) McCloskey, '86, DeForest, is a speech and language pathologist for Verona Area School District. She and her husband, Mark, were married in July 1996. They have one son.

Mario Fraboni, '86, New Jersey, continues his association with The Living Arts Repertory Theatre. He completed a concept video for television and is seeking an agent and a lawyer to represent the project.

Lany Tanyoto, '86, owns Bionature Cosmetics Corp. and serves as its technical director. Her husband, Willy Murtidjaja, M.D., runs a pediatric clinic. Lany would like to hear from all of her friends from UWSP. Her address is 19899 Sunset Vista Road, Walnut, CA 91789.

John "Jack" Millard, '86, Los Angeles, completed his role as Louis Grecco on *All My Children* where he met his wife, Hillary. Because there is another actor named John Millard, he is now known professionally as Jack.

Beth (Finger) Betts, '86, Grafton, is a medical technologist at Milwaukee Medical Clinic. Her husband, **Steve**, '86, is the owner and senior glassblower of Beste Scientific Glass. They have three sons.

Jay Leggett, '86, recently appeared in a featured spot on the new FOX series, *Ally McBeal*.

Joe Polman, '85, Plover, is a sales representative for Clariant Corp. He and his wife, Valerie, have two daughters.

Jim Chamberlain, '85, teaches theatre at San Antonio College, San Antonio, Texas.



▲ **Gigi Torkelson**, '86, was promoted to assistant director of inforce marketing in the marketing department of Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co., Milwaukee. She has worked there since 1987.

Catherine (Carter) Huber, '85, Chicago, is the regional campaign director for the YMCA of Metropolitan Chicago. She married Carl Huber last June.

Bridget (Baranowski) Kesner, '85, Milwaukee, is the director of student life at Alverno College. Her husband, **Alan**, '85, is an assistant attorney general in the Wisconsin Attorney General's office in Madison. They have one daughter.

Lois Mytas, '85, is a freelance stage manager working out of Milwaukee.

Amy (Jablonowski) Knox, '85, Fox Point, is the director of Graduate Admissions at Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee. Her husband, Kenneth, works with pharmaceutical sales for Pharmacia. They have one child.

Alan Lemke, '85, Round Rock, Texas, is large account representative in the Business System Division of Dell Computer Corporation. He and his wife, Alexandria, have a daughter.

Sarah Greenlaw, '84, earned a master's degree in dance at Ohio State University and returned to Central Wisconsin with her architect husband. She has formed an arts center in Marshfield and was a guest choreographer for UWSP's Danstage.

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Cheryl Kain, '85, Venice, Calif., released an original CD, *Code Name Graze*, for Sound Stone Records. She has done national commercials for Jack in the Box, and performs with her own band in Los Angeles.

Ron Gibb, '84, is the senior vice president of strategic planning and corporate development at Medici Pharmaceuticals, Scottsdale, Ariz. His wife, **Lisa (Christenson)**, '84, '86 master's, is active with the Junior League of Phoenix. They have two sons. They welcome letters, calls or visits to the sunny Southwest. Their address is 10978 East Palomino Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85259.

Robin (Elstad) Fonfara, '84, is teaching ballet, jazz and social dance at Madison Area Technical College and directing musical productions. She also is assistant director of the Wisconsin Dance Ensemble and just completed staging the full-length version of *Coppelia*.

Michael Sorensen, '84, is the central regional sales manager for Synthetic Industries. He would like to hear from his classmates, especially those from the first international field study group that went to Germany and Poland in 1978. His address is 1043 Tayco St., Apt 201, Menasha, WI 54952.

Joan Lunday, '84, owns and operates Studio One, a dance studio in Madison. Faculty members Joan Karlen and Susan Gingrasso frequently teach and set works for her company.

Chris Burgard, '84, Los Angeles, has turned to acting after several years of dancing professionally. He appeared in episodes of *Diagnosis Murder* and *JAG*.

Cindy (Brzezinski) Prior, '84, Maple Grove, Minn., is at home enjoying her two-year-old son, and is a substitute teacher for Monticello and Osseo elementary schools. Her husband, Paul, is a community education coordinator for the city of St. Paul.

Carlyn (Lipburger) Wedin, '84, Telfs, Austria, and her husband, Alois, own and operate a movement academy. Carlyn also is artistic director and choreographer for Westside Musical Production, a company of 15 singers, dancers and actors, which has gained praise from the Austrian president.

Michael Daehn, '84, is drama director at Appleton West High School. He was married last summer.

Jeff Bohne, '83, works for the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency. He and his wife, **Gay (Rathke)**, '84, live in Galloway, Ohio. "Many

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Class Notes

1980s

thanks to those professors, coaches, teammates and friends who helped mold me, first as a person, second as a professional."

Grant Feay, '83, Seattle, has worked as an Equity actor in the San Diego area. He continues to pursue a professional acting career while studying massage therapy.

Christine (Part) Ward, '83, Phoenix, Ariz., and her husband, Michael, recently moved back from Berlin, Germany. While there, she busied herself with furthering her German studies, raising their six-year-old son and serving on the boards of the American Woman's Club and the Christian Women of Berlin Club. In Phoenix, Michael works as an engineer at Allied Signal.

Tina Hill, '82, Newbury Park, Calif., is the assistant athletic director at California Lutheran University in Thousand Oaks, Calif. She received a pleasant surprise in finding that one of the university's new assistant football coaches, **Jerry Olszewski**, '93, is also a Pointer. She sends greetings from sunny California.

Kathy (Lalicata) Golden, '82, Wickenburg, Ariz., is completing an internship in addition counseling at The Meadows, a treatment center known worldwide.

Greg Good, '82, is the lakes program manager for the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in Springfield, Ill. His job includes managing lake monitoring, education, technical and financial assistance programs conducted by the agency for water quality and lake use improvements. His wife, Patti, is a medical transcriptionist.

Karen Norum, '81, Vermillion, S.D., completed a doctorate and joined the faculty at the University of South Dakota. She is in the school of education and is creating a new graduate program in technology for training and development.



▲ **Patricia Dreier**, '82, '88 master's, was named director of UWSP's Central Wisconsin Environmental Station in September. She served as the station's program director for one year, and then was named interim director. From 1983 to 1986 and from 1991 to 1993, she lived in Stuttgart and Wuerzburg, Germany, where she worked on management analysis, energy conservation, solid waste and environmental education projects for the federal government.

David Terre, '81, Whitehouse, Texas, works for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department in Tyler as inland fisheries regional director in an area known for its largemouth bass. He supervises 23 staff members and oversees five fisheries management districts. His wife, **Kathy (Haines)**, '80, taught elementary school for eight years in Texas. They have one son. David would enjoy hearing from other members of "Heaton's Tigers."

Sara Jean Larsen, '80, Waterford, has earned a doctorate at Marquette University in education with a specialization in curriculum and instruction.

Sandra Stein, '80, Chicago, is the public relations manager for The Nature Conservancy, called "Chicago Wilderness," a consortium of 54 conservation organizations, government agencies and cultural institutions.

"Many thanks to those professors, coaches, teammates and friends who helped mold me, first as a person, second as a professional."--Jeff Bohne, '83

Lizbeth (Trepel) Keefe, '80, has been working in New York theatre for more than 10 years and has an impressive performance resume. At the American Globe Theatre, she performs frequently and serves as casting director. Latest word was that she is in rehearsal for *Hello From Bertha* by Tennessee Williams.

RoJeanne Doege-Floyd, '80, Racine, and her husband, John, have a four-year-old daughter.

Leo Pieri, '80, Lawrenceville, Ga., is the president and publisher of the *Gwinnett Daily Post* in Atlanta. Located in the northern metropolitan area of Atlanta, Gwinnett county is the second fastest growing in the U.S. Pieri manages several daily and weekly newspapers and a cable television news channel. He previously served as vice president of marketing for the Montgomery (Ala.) *Advertiser*. He also was a reporter for the *Wausau Daily Herald* and news editor for UWSP's *Pointer*. He has two children.

Mark Passarelli, '80, Porter, Ind., is a sales representative for Pitney-Bowes mailing systems in South Bend. He and his wife, Jeri, have one son and live in a home they built near Dunes State Park. While at UWSP, Mark was the head student manager at DeBot Center and the student manager for the Allen Center food services.

Lisa (Helf) Maggard, '80, Hollybush, Ky., is an English teacher and Learning Center coordinator at Hazard Community College. She married Charlie Maggard in August.

Gary M. Johnson, '80, Wauwatosa, is the off-line video editor for the fourth season of *Tracks Ahead*, a series for WMVS-TV, the PBS affiliate in Milwaukee. The nationally syndicated railroad program is seen in more than 200 markets.

Bob Le Gault, '80, Stevens Point, is "Portage County's most popular handy man" and often choreographs for the Central Wisconsin Area Community Theatre.



Perry Smith, '77, Dunedin, Fla., (center) is the Park Manager of Gulf Islands GEPark. He was named Florida's Resource Manager of the Year by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Gov. Lawton Chiles. His accomplishments in the areas of prescribed burning, exotic removal, dumpsite cleanup and protection of seagrass beds "stand out as superior examples of natural resources management," according to Fran Mainella, director of Florida's Department of Environmental Protection. He was selected by the Florida Audubon Society, the Sierra Club of Florida and The Nature Conservancy. He has served in eight parks and at the district office, including 12 years as a Park Manager III in four different operations. Smith served in the U.S. Army as Chief Warrant Officer/M.O.S. helicopter pilot from 1968 to 1970. He received numerous medals, flew over 500 combat missions and served as section leader in Vietnam.

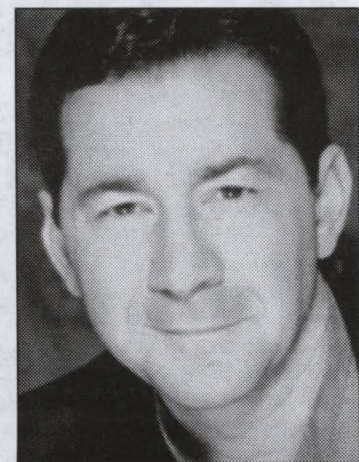
1970s

Jim Peacock, '79, works as a high school guidance counselor for vocational/technical education. He, his wife, two stepsons and one son live in Vassalbro, Maine.

Scott Samuels, '79, Conover, is the president of SR/DR, Inc. His company produces conventions and trade shows around the U.S. which deal with disaster response and canine search and rescue. While at UWSP, he was the 1978 Golden Gloves Boxing Champion.

Christine Thomas, '79 masters, was named Budweiser's Outdoorsman of the Year. The award carries a \$50,000 prize which Thomas has distributed to worthy conservation efforts throughout the country. She is a professor of resource management at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and founder of Becoming an Outdoors-Woman, a program that teaches women outdoor skills. Her programs are accessible through links to the UWSP homepage.

Crystal (Kapter) Dwyer, '79, is an instructor at Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba, Mich., where she teaches public speaking and oversees drama productions. She, her husband and three children are active in the community theatre.



▲ **Shawn McCarthy**, '78, Valencia, Calif., is a freelance cameraman in Hollywood for ABC, NBC and Fox television. After a three-year stint at Fox studios in Chicago, he and his wife, Gina, moved back to Southern California and warm weather. While in Chicago, he began a career in front of the camera as an actor, and in the films, *Chain Reaction*, *Space Jam* and *Home Alone III*. He now works on both sides of the camera.

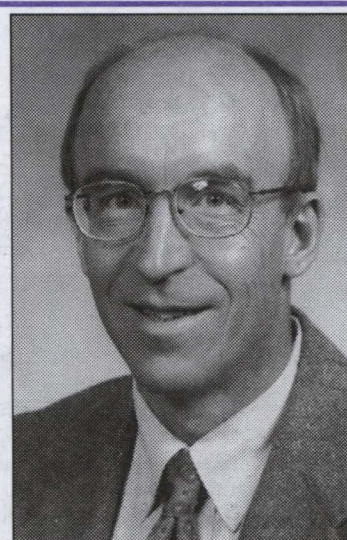
Spencer Prokop, '78, Dallas, Texas, recently played the role of Warren Harding in the Watertown Theatre Company's production of *Camping With Henry and Tom*. He received a 1996-97 Dallas Theater Critics Forum award. He has appeared in productions around Dallas, many commercials and in such television productions as *Walker, Texas Ranger* and *A Killing in a Small Town*, and in the films *Robocop* and *Necessary Roughness*. He and his wife, actress and video producer, Patty Lewis, are members of Lone Star Comedy, an improvisational comedy troupe.

Steve Bondeson, '74, professor of chemistry at UWSP, received UWSP's Excellence in Teaching Award at convocation in September. The award includes a \$500 prize.

Bondeson is one of a trio of UWSP chemists who received a three-year grant from the prestigious Fund for the Improvement to Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) of the U.S. Department of Education to develop new methods of instruction in three chemistry classes. He and a colleague also received a National Science Foundation grant to establish a computer laboratory for his department.

Jack Reed, chair of the chemistry department says, "Steve Bondeson is the consummate teacher. Not only does he care and work hard, he is constantly asking the question, 'How can I present a better course for my students?' Innovation. Creativity. Excellence. These three nouns accurately describe Dr. Bondeson."

One of his students says, "With aspirations of becoming a science teacher, I have spent considerable time pondering what it takes to get students interested in a subject that can come across as difficult or boring. Science is full of possibilities and Dr. Bondeson is a master at harboring a sense of wonder about chemistry."



Robin (Hron) Pfothhauer, '78, is self-employed as a piano and voice teacher and director of the children's choir at her church. She also taught voice for two years at Hartford High School. She and her husband, Joe, a physician, have four children. Robin would love to hear from other UWSP music alumni. Her address is: 941 Willow, Hartford, WI 53027.

Julia Levo, '78, Stamford, Conn., recently had the role of Mrs. Linn in Shaw's *Overruled* at the American Globe Theatre in New York.

Mike Dembroski, '77, a major in the United States Air Force, was a repatriation representative for POW/MIAs in Hanoi, Vietnam. He has attended Joint Air Command Staff College in Norfolk, Va. His interests include ballet and welding.

Susan (Putz) Kujawski, '77, Litchfield Park, Ariz., recently completed a doctorate in secondary education at Arizona State University where she is employed as a faculty associate in music education. She and her husband, Keith, have a four-year-old daughter.

Steve Elwell, '77, Wasilla, Alaska, is an aircraft supervisor for the state of Alaska. He manages a fleet of 43 aircraft and 60 pilots. His wife, Susan, is an accounting manager.

Sue Jones Clinard, '76, has been senior audit director at Electric Data Systems for 16 years. She worked with Ross Perot for three years. She and her husband, Randy, have one daughter. They are active members of Central Texas Greyhound Rescue, and have served on the board for Austin Wildlife Rescue. They would love a visit from any of the old gang. They live at 1107 Redbird Drive, Cedar Park, TX 78613.

Carlos Castillo-Chavez, '76, Ithaca, N.Y., professor of biostatistics and chair of the Biometrics Unit at Cornell University, was awarded a 1997 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring and a grant for \$10,000. He was recognized for his efforts to increase the numbers of minorities and women in science and mathematics. "We are extremely pleased that Carlos is receiving national recognition for his ceaseless efforts to expose underrepresented students, particularly Chicanos and Native Americans, to science and mathematics," said Cornell Provost Don M. Randel. "He has worked tirelessly to broaden opportunities for undergraduate students from around the United States and Latin America." In 1992, Castillo-Chavez was selected as one of 30 scientists and engineers to receive the first Presidential Faculty Fellowship. Carrying a \$500,000 National Science Foundation grant over five years, that award recognized excellence both in research and teaching. A native of Mexico City, he specializes in mathematical biology, social dynamics and mathematical and statistical approaches to AIDS epidemiology and other epidemic diseases like flu, tuberculosis and measles. When he was honored by Mexico City's Council in 1992 for his achievements, he told his audience, "We Mexicans are as capable as anyone from any other country . . . Do not limit your dreams."



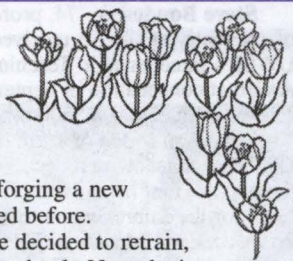
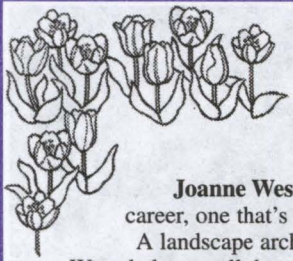
Laura Stoddall-Konz, '76, Appleton, teaches kindergarten at Wrightstown Elementary School.

Adrian Wydeven, '76, Butternut, is a mammalian ecologist for the Wisconsin DNR in Park Falls. He directs programs for endangered and non-game mammals and works with the wolf recovery program. He has seen state's wolf population go from zero up to 150 animals and believes that soon wolves may be reclassified from endangered to threatened.

Brad Bowton, '75, Doylestown, Pa., after 15 years working as a professional actor, created The Play Crafters Group to work with writers throughout the country developing new scripts.

David Lentz, '75, McFarland, works with the Wisconsin DNR as the Karner Blue Butterfly Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) coordinator. The HCP is committed to the conservation of habitat for the Karner Blue butterfly, an endangered species. It is the first HCP in Wisconsin and the largest in the nation. It is a regional effort to maintain habitat across extensive landscapes instead of on restricted tracts of land. Lentz wrote an article on the project for "The Niche," a newsletter for the Wisconsin Bureau of Endangered Resources.

Lynda (Andert) Luce, '74, is a "wife of one, mother of two" and the speech, drama, and English teacher and gifted and talented coordinator at Waupaca High School.



Joanne Westphal, '70, is forging a new career, one that's never been tried before.

A landscape architect when she decided to retrain, Westphal went all the way to medical school. Now she is a therapeutic site designer. As far as she knows, she is the only person in the country who plans spaces for therapeutic purposes, shaping a profession that bridges medicine and design. She creates indoor and outdoor gardens for patient populations with all types of problems, whether Alzheimer's, hypertension, heart disease, AIDS, stroke, or other maladies.

Westphal, who teaches her new discipline at Michigan State University at East Lansing, is working on a book. She shows doctors and landscape designers how to create spaces that go beyond American Disabilities Act requirements and actually become part of the cure. She has assisted in the design of two rooftop gardens, one at the Family Life Center in Grand Rapids, Mich., and one in Traverse City.

Forging an untraveled path is not new to her. She was one of two women among 600 men in the conservation major as a freshman at UWSP. She graduated with a bachelor's degree in biology. She was the first woman to graduate from UW-Madison with a master's degree in soils. She went on to acquire a doctorate from Madison, then another master's in landscape architecture. Now, combined with her M.D., she is a consummate researcher, a boost to her new career as well.

Constance (Fagan) Pratt, '74, Superior, received an honorable mention in 1997 Writer's Digest nonfiction children's story competition and is continuing to study and write. Her husband, Dennis, '74, is a senior fisheries biologist for the Wisconsin DNR.

James Vorland, '73, Neenah, is semi-retired and spends much time hunting.

Ross Safford III, '73, is an investment banker in Washington, D.C.

Marilou Myers, '73 bachelor's, '86 bachelor's, owns, manages and teaches at Turning Point Dance Academy in Stevens Point.

Constance Hackbart, '73, Little Chute, earned a doctorate in education with a specialization in counseling at Marquette University.

Bill Meyer, '72, is designer, technical director and professor of theatre at California State-Fullerton.

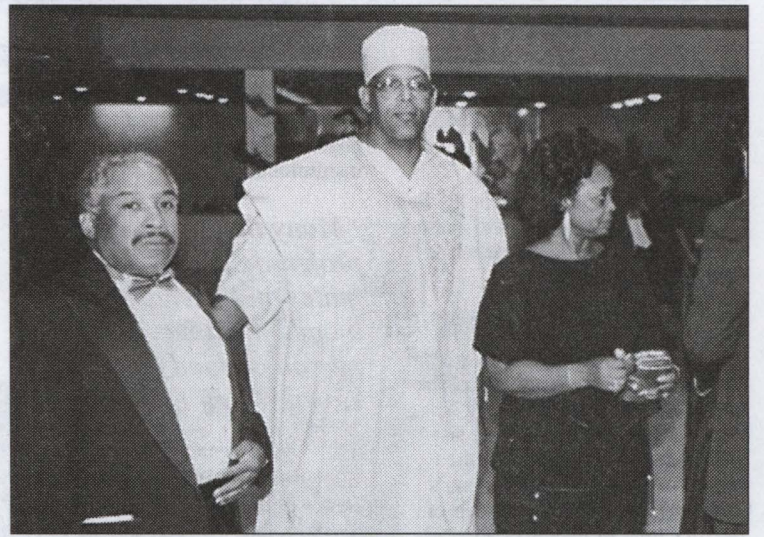
Thomas Dresen, '72, Dover, N.J., a colonel in the U.S. Army, is project manager for mine, countermine and demolitions material development. He and his wife, Judy, live on the Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey.

Nancy Gruel, '72, '77 master's, Johnson City, Tenn., was selected as Faculty Adviser of the Year by the National Student Council of the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID). She is an associate professor of applied human sciences at East Tennessee State University where she has been adviser of the local chapter of ASID since it was chartered in 1991. She holds a doctorate from Virginia Tech.

Mary Louise (Ley Frary) Ewing, '72, is the owner of Corporate Image Enhancement Services in Mequon. She has an impressive list of more than 500 television commercials, radio spots, trade shows, industrials and musicals.

Linda Konkol, '72, Amherst, has been named a treasury management officer in the commercial department of Bank One, Stevens Point. She has worked for Bank One for more than 25 years.

Elliott Keener, '71, continues his active theatre career in New Orleans. He has extensive professional credits as both actor and director for stage, film, television and commercials.



During Homecoming '97 last October, a dinner and "Colorblind Dance" were held to raise money for an African-American Alumni Scholarship. Attending were Dave Marie, Plover, left, a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, and Bob Garraway and his wife, Gloria, who were guests at the dance.

1960s

Jean Fennell, '68 bachelor's, '71 bachelor's, does warehouse maintenance for Georgia-Pacific in Port Edwards. She is in the process of starting a small organic orchard that she hopes to turn into a sideline business.

Elbert Rackow, '68, '70 master's, is president of Stevens Point Area Retired Teachers Association. He is also serving his seventh year as an alderman in the city of Stevens Point.

Ronald Priquette, '63, Antigo, is a retired art instructor. He taught at D.C. Everest High School in Schofield for 22 years, and before that for 10 years at the Antigo Elementary School. He has received numerous awards including the National Art Education Association Youth Art Month Award of Excellence, a Recognition of Service Award from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction and the Business Appreciation Award for Art in the Community. He was given the District Teacher of the Year Award in 1978. He spends his free time enjoying barbershop music and "sticking his nose into his old art room."



▲ **Dorothy Igl Stepien**, '65, Sobieski, is the director of the extended degree program at UW-Green Bay. The program offers studies toward a bachelor of general studies for adults unable to attend on-campus classes.

1950s

Lois (Bogsted) Schroeder, '55, Marinette, taught third grade, drama and Title I/Chapter I for Marinette Schools. She retired in January 1995 after 40 years of service. Her husband, Gene T. Howard, is also retired.

1920s

Marjorie (Johnson) Larson, '28, '33 bachelor's, Washburn, taught in Wisconsin schools for 16 years. She married Leonard Larson in 1942. After graduation from State Teachers College she continued to study during the summers until she earned a bachelor's degree. She was a member of the music club and played on the tennis team begun by Fred Schmeeckle. She was a member of the championship home economics basketball team in a competition between academic departments.

Veteran's memories reflected in photography

Excerpted from an article in the Stevens Point Journal by Heather Clark

In a bunker about a half-mile from the river separating North and South Vietnam, David Stremer, '67, lay with the rest of the men in his unit of the U.S. Army's 5th Infantry Division.

Stationed in Con Thein, in the heart of the Demilitarized Zone, Stremer endured night after night of mortar and rocket attacks.

One day, the unit came upon a bunker complex of North Vietnamese and killed about 50 of them.

"For me, the most important aspect of the situation in Con Thein was actually walking around the dead soldiers. Until then I considered them illiterate, primitive peasants but I found they were carrying photographs of wives, girlfriends, children," he says. "At that point, it really hit me that these were real people."

Stremer recalls those Vietnam War days—all of 1968—with catches in his voice. It was a difficult time, he says, and to this day, he's paying the price for his participation.

Stremer has post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), a condition that is difficult to define, but boils down to a constant increased level of rage. It affects the brain in some cases, killing brain cells, he says. For Stremer, it eats at his concentration and memory, so sometimes his words come slowly and hitched.

In 1982, a suicidal Stremer went to the Veterans Administration to be diagnosed with PTSD, but it wasn't until 1993, when he took disability from his job as an insurance underwriter, that the diagnosis was made.

Now, he's living with it

and working through it. He urges others who need help, as he did, to start with their local veteran's service officer. If they don't get the answers they seek there, they can go to a Veteran's Administration hospital or clinic. He believes that these facilities have more information on this type of problem than a general practice hospital or psychiatric clinic.

Stremer recently came back to UWSP and took up photography. His pictures deal with the aftermath of the Vietnam War and its effects on veterans. A photograph series he created was displayed in various museums and art galleries, including last winter, at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison.

A typical picture from the series shows a log pile with snow cover and a mill in the background. A description with it tells of settlers piling logs and burning them, but because it was a pile, someone had to stay awake 24 hours to turn the logs so they would burn.

"PTSD, it's like logs in my head," Stremer says. "Things that were there that I simply could not get rid of. Something needs to stir up these logs and somehow burn them."

Many of Stremer's photos are of farm-like structures and mills, whether destroyed by fire or just among fog or snow. "I found there some dignity . . . machines and buildings that were used and trashed, but there was still a dignity of a job well done," he said.

"Being in an unpopular war, and one we lost, I think a lot of resentment was taken out on the veterans who served there," he says. "We never had the opportunity to talk these things through."



What's that biology professor doing in the art gallery?

You wouldn't be surprised to find artwork in a gallery. And it's not unusual for a biology professor to lecture in a medical clinic. But a biology professor in an art gallery at the Marshfield Clinic?

Well, that's just what happened in July, according to Ann Waisbrot, '70, who has been director of the New Visions Gallery since 1985.

An exhibition of more than 100 pieces entitled "Art Nouveau" was presented at the gallery located in the clinic, with tours conducted by an art nouveau enthusiast, Charles Long, emeritus professor of biology and wildlife.

"It was fun to work with Professor Long," Waisbrot says.

Long became interested in the pre-World War I style about 30 years ago. With its emphasis on floral and natural images, the look

has been revived several times during the past century. "We're at the turning of a century now, and it's coming back again," he says.

Works in the exhibition were on loan from several private collections. "There's one lamp, with pansies on it, that when it's turned on—the flowers just seem to float," Long says.

Long, a specialist in mammals, was also fascinated to find a doctor at Marshfield who is an expert on wolf reproduction, and who came to UWSP to lecture to wildlife and biology students.

"It makes one wonder what is the definition of a university, of an art museum, of a modern research clinic. I think there is no definition, there is nothing definite about it," Long says.

In Memoriam

1990s

Mark Kutz, '96, died in April as the result of an automobile accident. He was employed by Wildlife Management Services of Minneapolis. He is survived by his parents and one brother.

Shelly Jean Gilpatrick, '93, Cedarburg, died in August at age 26 after a life-long struggle with cystic fibrosis. She was a junior high school English and Spanish teacher in the Dodgeand School District. She also was a dedicated volunteer camp instructor at Archdiocesan Summer Camp for Persons with Disabilities in Milwaukee.

Becky Boivin, '90, age 44, died at her home in Lind in January after a six and one-half year battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband, son and two daughters.

1980s

Linda (Vicker) Collins, '89, Stevens Point, died at age 31 in September. She worked as an employment specialist at Community Industries. She is survived by her husband, Randall.

Joan (Obermann) Johnson, '84, died in November at her Appleton home at age 35. She is survived by her husband, Greg, and twin sons.

1970s

David Reck, '75, died in November in Stevens Point at age 44.

Richard Fischer, '72, died at his home in Minneapolis in December at age 47. An Antigo native, he worked as an adult counselor and tutor in Minneapolis prior to retirement due to health problems. He is survived by his wife, Jackie.

LeRoy Kidder II, '72, died in January at his home in Stevens Point at age 48. He worked for Midstate Distributors as a sales manager. He coached with the Portage County Youth on Ice for 12 years, leading his teams to several awards. He was a member of Sigma Pi fraternity. He is survived by his wife, parents and two sons.

Dennis Ahonen, '71, Temperance, Mich., died in February 1997 of cardiac arrest in Yonkers, N.Y. He was assistant director of planning for Monroe County, Mich. He is survived by his wife, Kathy, and three children.

I. Richard Ahrens, '70, Plover, died in January at age 52. A native of Prairie du Chien, he moved to the Stevens Point area in 1978. He was employed by Prudential Insurance Company. Survivors include his wife, Marie, mother, and two sons.

Dennis Grisar, '70, died in an automobile accident near his home in Rochester, Minn., in September at age 52. He was manager of the Eagles Club in Rochester and involved in many fundraising events for other charities. He worked for the Wisconsin DNR while living in Wisconsin Rapids 20 years ago.

1960s

Judith (Nelson) Courtney, '68, '83 master's, died at her home in Plover in September at age 50. Prior to teaching writing and English in the Stevens Point school system, she taught

English in Juda and Sun Prairie. She is survived by her husband, Thomas.

Anna Fleischman, '66, died in December at age 77. She taught in rural schools in Langlade and Shawano counties, including 22 years at Mattoon Grade School where she served as principal for eight years. She retired in 1982. She is survived by her husband, Frederick.

Wayne Bobholz, '64, age 61, died in September at his home after an 11-month battle with cancer. He dedicated his 38-year career to educating children as teacher, coach and principal. He served 32 years at Columbus public schools, including 28 years as a principal. He received a master's degree and doctorate from UW-Madison. He is survived by his fiancée, Susan Kromenaker, and a son and daughter.

James Collard, '64, Rhinelander, age 67, died in December in Iron Mountain, Mich. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War and was employed as a lab technician at Rhinelander Medical Center until he retired in 1981.

Arminda (Werner) Jorgensen, '62, Wausau, died in July at age 88. Her teaching career spanned 31 years, the last 20 being in the Rhinelander district. After her retirement in 1974, she was an active volunteer in the Rhinelander community.

Marie Carruthers, '62, Marshfield, died in November at age 91. She became a rural teacher at age 17. She taught for five years and then retired to raise her family. In 1943 she went back to teaching until her retirement in 1972.

Ada Colden, '62, Clintonville, died in November at age 83. She taught elementary school for 28 years in Bear Creek, Embarrass and Clintonville. Her husband, Milton, survives her.

Lloyd Mertens, '62, San Antonio, Texas, died in August in Marshfield at age 62. He served as a maintenance officer in the U.S. Air Force until he retired in 1982. After retirement, he earned a teaching certificate and worked as an instructor with the Royal Saudi Arabian Air Force. He also taught for two years in Rochester, Minn. Last fall, he and his wife, Linda, moved to the U.S. Navy base in Sigonella, Sicily where he taught mathematics. He earned the meritorious Bronze Star for his military service.

Bernadetta Konkell, '60, '64 bachelor's, formerly of Hatley, died in October at age 87. She taught in a number of schools for 28 years, and was a principal and teacher at the Hatley Elementary School when she retired in 1974.

1950s

Mildred Alice Rickert, '59, Berlin, died in November at age 82. She taught kindergarten through eighth grade in Stratford and Green Lake. She and her husband, Glen, who survives, farmed in rural Neshkoro and had recently celebrated 60 years of marriage.

William Wicke, '57 master's, Deerbrook, died at his home at age 64. He taught high school in Kalamazoo until 1986 and volunteered with inner-city youth in Michigan for many years.

John "Jack" Miller, Jr., '57, Neenah, died in November at age 64. He lived in Stevens Point for many years. He was a social worker with the state of Wisconsin for 23 years, retiring in 1995. He also served the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

Lucille (Ziemendorf) Stuebs Kay, '57 two-year certificate, '60 three-year certificate, died in Marshfield in October at age 91. She taught for 35 years in rural schools in Rock Creek, West Cary, Progress, Lindsey, Washington, Oak Leaf and Cameron Pride. She taught for 11 years in Auburndale elementary and high schools.

Leonard Zurawski, '54, Stevens Point, died in July at age 64. He was head foreman for the Bake-Rite Baking Company. In 1955, he began the L.R. Zurawski Real Estate Agency, which he owned and operated until his death. He is survived by his wife, Audrey "Peachy."

Arlon Parkin, '53, Rib Mountain, died of cancer in December at age 66. He served the Wausau School District as a teacher for eight years and as an elementary principal for 26 years. He also was a baseball pitcher in the professional league farm team system and pitched for the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a drummer with the Larry Woodbury Orchestra and the Sid Kyler Dixieland Jazz Band. His wife, Jeanne, survives.

Jerrald Jelinek, '52, Chicago Heights, Ill., died in February. He was inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame in October 1997. A four-year starter for the Pointer Football team, he was named co-captain and all conference selection in 1952. He also was a member and co-captain of UWSP's first wrestling team and a golden glove boxing finalist at the Marshfield Golden Gloves. After graduation, he taught and coached at Minocqua until he moved to Illinois in 1954, where he taught and coached football for 37 years. During 32 years at Thornton Fractional North High School in Calumet City, he amassed a winning record of 76 percent. He also served as athletic director for 19 years.

A memorial has been established in his name for UWSP athletes through the UWSP Alumni Association. For information call (715) 346-3811.

Helen Sophie Reetz, '51, Marion, died in April at age 99. She began her 28-year teaching career in rural schools near Marion. She taught first to fourth grades for many years at Big Falls school. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Lettman, who died in 1954. After her marriage to Bill Reetz, she learned to drive so that she could get to the rural schools where she taught. Reetz also preceded her in death. She was proud that her granddaughter, Mary Beth Beyer Bigus, '77, has also become a teacher.

Rudolph "Rudy" Kohta, '50, Eagle River, died in November at age 73. He taught elementary school in Antigo and White Rock and was principal at Barstow and Blair Elementary

schools in Waukesha. He served the U.S. Marine Corps in the Pacific during World War II. His wife, Mary, survives him.

Gerald Klingbeil, '50, Burlington, died in October at age 74. He taught in Genoa City, Lodi and Necedah. He was principal of Burlington High School from 1962 to 1981. He taught until his retirement in 1985.

1940s

Vincent "Bink" Brunner, '47, Mequon, died in December at age 76. He taught high school for 28 years in Shawano and Nicolet high schools. He served in World War II and in the Korean War. He also co-authored mathematics textbooks. His wife, Rosalie, survives him.

Dorothy Coggin, '46, Kenosha, died in December at age 80. She retired in 1979 after 45 years of teaching. She was a member of the UWSP Alumni Association.

Hattie (Albrecht) Wanta, '45, '58 bachelor's, Wausau, died in July at age 90. She taught 32 years in Marathon County after graduating from Marathon County Normal School in 1924. Following her degree from UWSP, she taught elementary school in the Wausau School District for 14 years.

Dolores Woolley, '45, Pewaukee, died in October at age 74. She taught in Waterloo and Pewaukee. She and her husband, Thomas, owned and operated a bakery and restaurant on the Pewaukee lakefront. She was also choir director at Pewaukee High School. Her husband survives.

1930s

Carroll "Cal" Swenson, '37, Waupaca, died in February 1997 at age 87. He taught high school English for 25 years. Swenson enjoyed creative writing and wrote many articles on local history for area newspapers and magazines. He operated Carroll's Music Shop in Stevens Point from 1946-1956.

Betty (Schofield) Fischer, '36, Unity, died in Marshfield in July at age 79.

Lucille Mortensen, '36, '90 master's, Rome, Wis., died in November at 80. She taught all of the elementary and high school grades during her 37-year career, which began in a one-room school in 1936. She was an award-winning writer after she retired in 1980.

O. Mark Schneider, M.D., '36, Blair, died in September at age 81. He received his medical degree in 1943 and went on to serve in the South Pacific for the Army Medical Corps. He practiced with the R. L. McCormack Clinic of Whitehall from his office in Blair. He retired in 1987. Schneider is survived by his wife, Mary Frances.

Arvie Gordon, '35, Chilton, died in August at age 84. Prior to his work as a chemist at A.O. Smith, he taught and coached basketball and baseball in Scandinavia, taught math and science at Chilton and was principal and superintendent of schools in Chilton from 1956 to 1976. He played varsity basketball and tennis at UWSP. A family memorial, the Martin and Belle Gordon Family Scholarship, established through

the UWSP Foundation, awards an education student annually in Gordon's memory.

Elmer Ruh, '35, Tigerton, died in December at age 84. During his career at Tigerton High School he served as principal, superintendent and basketball coach. He also was a Tigerton village president. He is survived by his wife, Germaine.

George Torval Kelly, '34, New London, died at age 84 in September after a lingering illness. He served in the U.S. Air Force from 1941 until 1945, and was a farmer for 50 years. He was a member of the New London American Legion.

Beulah Jenks, '34, Lake Mills, died in November at age 84. She taught in rural Adams-Friendship, then worked for the Lake Mills School District lunch program. Her husband, Orin, survives.

Valda Coates, '34, Marshfield, died in October at age 85. She taught in rural Clark and Wood county elementary schools and in Beloit from 1934 until her retirement in 1964.

Robert Tardiff, '34, Greenfield, died in March 1997 at age 83. His wife, Eleanor, survives him.

Irene (Lutz) Leverenz, '30, New Holstein, died in September at age 88. She owned and operated Irene's Shop, a women's apparel and specialty gift shop, in New Holstein from 1958 until the early 1970s. She also taught grade school in New Holstein.

1920s

John Rezzato, '29, Aberdeen, S.D., died in July at age 88. He first taught at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, then entered the U.S. Army to serve in World War II. After serving as a professor of music at Northern State in Aberdeen, he earned a doctorate in education. He was chairman of the music departments at South Dakota State University at Brookings and Southwest State University in Marshall, Minn. He is survived by his wife, Helen.

Gertrude Bethke, '29, formerly of Beloit, died in December in Appleton at age 87. In 1930 she began teaching in a one-room school near Stevens Point. She taught in Beloit, Waterman and Robinson schools from 1946 to 1975. In 1996 she moved to a retirement community in Appleton.

Edna Mae Rabenowich, '23, Phillips, died in August at age 94. She taught in Park Falls and Phillips until 1931. She and her first husband, the late Walter Blume, owned and operated Blume Funeral Home and then the Gambles Hardware Store in Phillips. Her second husband, Abe Rabenowich, preceded her in death.

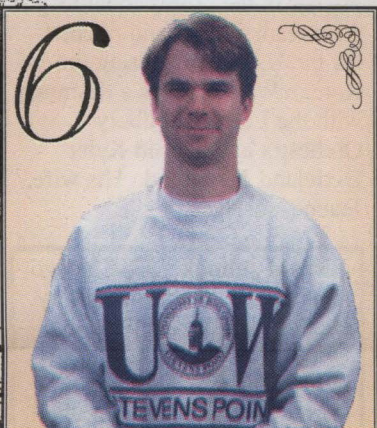
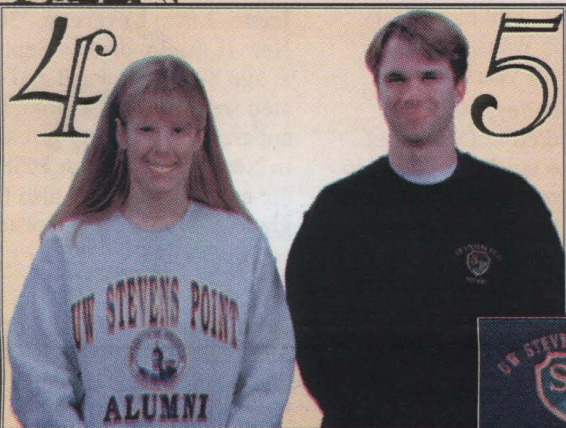
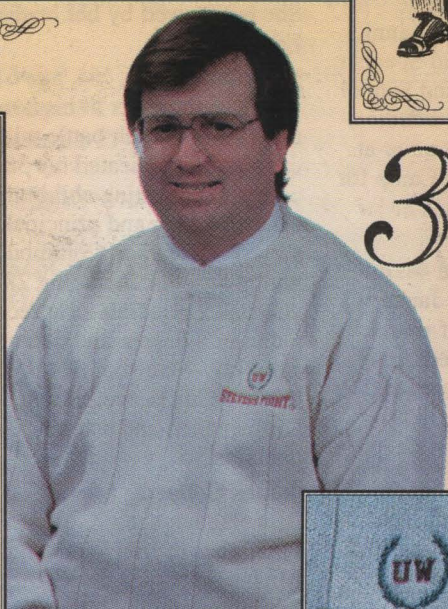
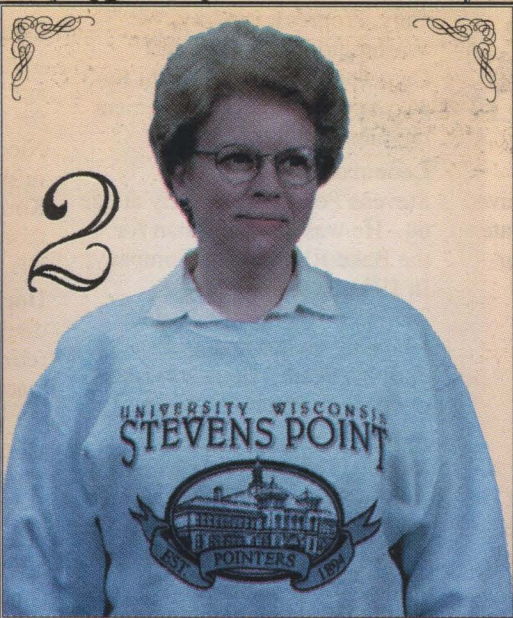
Evelyn (Smith) Fors, '22, Manitowoc, died in September at age 97. She taught French and history in Plainfield until her marriage in 1922. She was very active in St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Manitowoc, founding the "Lilac Festival" and organizing a Christmas bazaar, which raised \$10,000 annually.



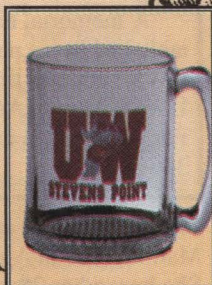
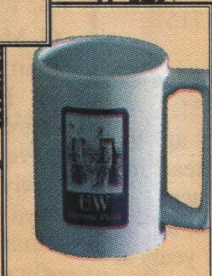
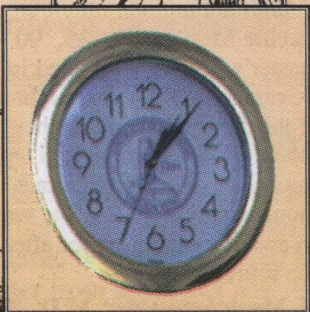
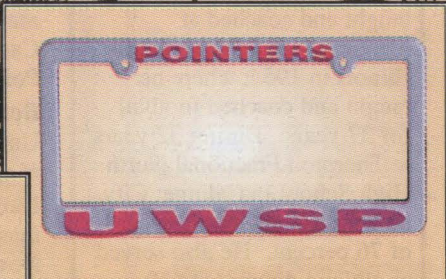



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