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George inaugurated on Valentine's Day

An open letter from Chancellor George

Dear Friends:

I began my tenure as UWSP's 12th Chancellor on July 15, 1996. Now, after eight months in office, my high expectations about the campus have been more than realized. Our alumni can be proud of the degrees they earned from an exceptionally fine institution of higher learning.

This issue of the *Pointer Alumnus* features alumni who not only graduated from UWSP, but also stayed on to strengthen their alma mater through their professional contributions. These one-time students and now employees of our campus testify to the appreciation and loyalty inspired by their education. This favorable assessment supports my own extremely positive impressions of the university.

However, we will need to remain vigilant to ensure that we continue to offer academic excellence into the 21st century. Early in the fall semester, I posed the following three challenges to the campus community that I believe will advance this goal.

The first challenge is in the area of *faculty-led improvement*. UWSP's mission embraces student learning and its promotion through teaching excellence and scholarship. Our emphasis on the priority of student success is a national trend that all types of institutions of higher learning (ranging to the most researchintensive universities) are seeking to emulate.

Second, we need to develop a *broadened financial base*. We want to increase the pace and success of external fund-raising activities, including gifts from individual donors and corporations and grants from foundations and federal/state agencies.

Third, *technology-enhanced learning* provides a powerful means to better student learning, instructional innovations and the ability to extend the university beyond its geographical confines. The campus must continue to move forward in acquiring the technological tools and skills that advance the institution's mission

Already the campus is moving forward on all three initiatives. A Student Success Task Force has submitted a series of recommendations on steps the university can take to increase the chances of success for every UWSP student.

In January, the campus held a Technology Summit that established priorities in the pivotal areas of instructional technology, distance learning, and the myriad other campus uses of computing and electronic delivery systems.

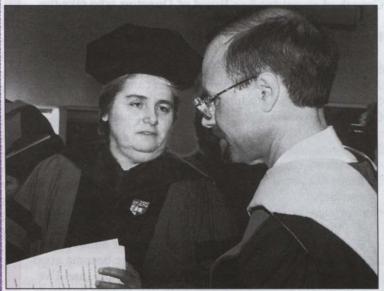
This spring, we hope to appoint a new Executive Director for the UWSP Foundation and to have plans underway for a major fund-raising effort. Because the state of Wisconsin is allocating a dwindling percentage of tax dollars to support the UW System, our need to attract external resources has become increasingly important. Gifts from valued friends and alumni provide for the margin of excellence that can be achieved no other way.

On Feb. 14, I was formally inaugurated as Chancellor. I am honored to have been chosen to lead this highly-acclaimed university during a rapidly-changing period in its history. I look forward to meeting many Pointer alumni at campus events during the year. Our alumni exemplify the quality of education they received at UWSP and are thus our university's most valued ambassadors.

Again, I am excited to be in Stevens Point and to join campus faculty, staff, students, and alumni in doing all that I can to nurture and protect the superb reputation and quality of our university.

Chancellor Thomas F. George

Delegates statewide return to UWSP for event



Chancellor George converses with Katharine Lyall, president of the UW-System, who conducted his investiture.

Thomas F. George was inaugurated as 12th chancellor of UWSP on Friday, Feb. 14. The event was followed by a weekend of activities to

mark the occasion.

Delegates from throughout the state attended a luncheon prior to the inauguration. At the 2:30 p.m. ceremony in Berg Gym, music was provided by the UWSP Wind Ensemble and a 120-voice student choir. More than 135 faculty and staff represented their alma maters in the academic procession.

In his address, George discussed "Leading Edge Teaching and Learning." Katharine Lyall, president of the UW System, conducted George's investiture. The chancellor's platform party included Michael Dombeck, director of the U.S. Forest Service, representing UWSP alumni.

The ceremony was followed by a reception in the courtyard of the Fine Arts Center. That evening, an inaugural ball was held at the University Center.

Distinguished alumni recognized

The newly appointed chief of the U. S. Forest Service and the longtime director of Alumni Relations were named Distinguished Alumni at UWSP on Feb. 15.

Michael P. Dombeck of Vienna, Va., class of 1971, and Karen Engelhard of Stevens Point, class of 1959, were recognized by the UWSP Alumni Association Feb. 15 as part of inauguration weekend activities.

A former zoology instructor at UWSP, Dombeck was appointed to his new post in January. A former fishing guide, he is noted for his research on muskies and lake habitat management. He has written numerous scholarly publications and made frequent national as well as international scientific presentations.

"Life is a combination of experiences, and my time at UWSP was fantastic," Dombeck said in a recent interview. "I developed longterm relationships with professors who were mentors and who I still talk to."

Engelhard recently retired as head of Alumni Relations at UWSP. She continues to work part time coordinating Laird Foundation activities, scholarships and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education District 5.

"Throughout these 20 years at UWSP, I've

enjoyed watching greater recognition of alumni relations and the Alumni Association. I'm proud to have represented the university and the Alumni Association to the world," Engelhard said recently.

Also recognized for service to the Alumni Relations Office were Judi Carlson, '63, Stevens Point, and Chet Polka, '52, Berlin, Wie



Michael Dombeck, '71, and Karen Beebe Engelhard, '59, were recognized by the Alumni Association at a luncheon in the University Center Alumni Room.

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began three-year terms.

New board members

Four Pointer alumni joined the Alumni Association Board

of Directors at its meeting Feb. 15. Shannon Loecher, '93,

'78, Milwaukee; and Mary Wescott, '75, Stevens Point, all

Stevens Point; Lorraine Dudley, '45, Stevens Point; Chris

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Norcross, Ga.; president-elect is Bruce Bay, '65, Wausau;

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New president of the Association is Diane Loeser, '86,

Farewell from Karen

How far we've come together!

More than 20 years ago I began what has been a wonderful journey here at UWSP. I never intended to stay so long, nor did I expect to see so much happen. As thanks and appreciation come my way, I want to be certain that youalumni and friends of UWSP-receive thanks, as well. My respect and affection for you has grown with every year and with every accomplishment. You've made so much possible! Among our successes, large and small:

·Creation of an alumni endowment to support alumni programs and activities.

•Naming of the Alumni Room in the University Center.

Creation of a mentoring program.

•Establishment of Alumni Honors Scholarships to recruit outstanding high school seniors.

•Establishment of the Dick Toser Memorial Alumni Scholarship.

•Growth of an outstanding Board of Directors who take the lead in alumni giving.

•Publication of our first alumni directory with a second in progress.

Successful naming of Kotal Field.

•A home for scholarship information on campus.

•Small business partnership with the University Store.

 Coordination of successful Laird Youth Leadership Days since 1980.

•Nationwide presence in alumni relations through the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

•Presence at commencement with Alumni Charge to new graduates.

 New private, productive office space with donated furnishings. .. to name only a few.

You and I have been privileged to serve our alma mater during some tremendous growth years. We've become good partners, investing heavily in UWSP and its future, and I've been privileged to share this time with you and the hundreds of very special alumni of this outstanding institution. I'm proud to have represented the university and this Alumni Association to each other and to the country. Wonderful friendships have developed as I've worked for and with you. No better career could ever have been created for me.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors—current and past—have made a serious statement about their loyalty to this university. If you haven't already, please join them in their commitment and show UWSP that it has made a difference in your life.

Throughout these 20 years, I've enjoyed watching greater recognition of alumni relations, the Alumni Association, our role and our importance to the university. Our work in alumni relations is the base from which so much is built and then grows. Don't ever underestimate your value to UWSP!

As I say farewell, I want you to know that you've made for yourselves a permanent place in my heart, one that will bring me back often and will always have my support. My thanks, warm, sincere and eternal for the marvelous opportunity you've given me. I'm grateful and wouldn't have missed a moment of it.

As all good alumni directors say—stay in touch! Yours in the name of alumni relations at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point,

Karen Engelhard

Show your pride with Pointer plates

Do you know you can show your loyalty to UWSP and express yourself on a license plate? Do you know that you can help a scholarship fund at the same time?

University alumni, employees and friends can take pride in license plates that feature the UWSP logo. Part of the fee goes to a scholarship fund to assist talented incoming students at UWSP. The university plate also gives the option of choosing a personalized message of up to six characters.

The fund has been accumulating since 1990. Fees for the plates include a tax deductible university fee of \$20 which goes directly to the fund and a \$15 Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Calendar

April 28

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Call WWSP-90FM for information

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Sentry Insurance Alumni Reunion April 16

John Parker Room

SentryWorld Headquarters, Stevens Point Melvin R. Laird Youth Leadership Day

UWSP University Center

UW-System Board of Regents Meeting May 9

UWSP campus

June 6, 7 **Reunion Weekend 1997**

Central Wisconsin Alumni Reunion 50-Year Reunion, Class of 1947. All classes before 1952 are invited.

UWSP Alumni Association Board of Directors July 12

Meeting **UWSP** campus

Green Bay Area Alumni Reunion August 14

Titletown Brewing Company, Green Bay

August 18 **Terry Porter Celebrity Golf Classic** Call (800) 858-5267 for more information.

Retired Faculty Luncheon September 16 Alumni Room, University Center

September 20 **Eddie Kotal Field Dedication/Spud Bowl**

UWSP campus

October 11 Homecoming '97

Alumni/Friends Reception Homecoming Parade Pointers vs. UW-Eau Claire 5th Quarter Social Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Fall, 1997 An evening with Dick Bennett & Terry Porter

SentryWorld Sports Center

Limited number of tickets available. Call George Seyfarth, Centerpoint Mall, Stevens Point, for reservation information (715) 344-1599.

October 3, 1998 Homecoming '98 Pointers vs. UW-Platteville

We want you!

In the next issue of the Pointer Alumnus we would like to feature multiple siblings—twins, triplets, quadruplets, and more—who attended UWSP at the same time. If you were one of them, or if you know of fellow graduates who fit this category, let us know.

We are especially interested in anecdotes from college days and success stories. Drop us a line before June 1. We hope to get many good stories and we plan to print all the names we receive.

Please send the names of alumni along with current addresses to one of the addresses below.

Get in touch with us

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The staff of the Alumni Relations Office, (left to right) student office assistant, Amy Watson; assistant outreach specialist, Theresa Wessels; interim director, Brant Bergeron; and program assistant, Donna Gear, gather around Karen Engelhard's car which sports a Pointer Pride plate with the centennial year.

fee for cars that do not already have a personalized plate. Other fees may also apply.

Applications for personalized plates can be picked up at local driver licensing stations, or by calling the

Department of Transportation Special Plates Unit at (608) 266-3041.

"What an easy way to support students and display pride in UWSP," says Helen Godfrey, assistant chancellor for student affairs.

Engelhard, Alumni Relations director, retires after 20 years of service



Stevie and Stephanie will miss their buddy, Karen. Over the past 20 years the three of them have been staunch supporters of UWSP.

advancement professionals,

Engelhard leads more than

institutions in eight states,

institutions. She has been actively involved with the

including all of the Big Ten

organization since 1976 and

is currently a delegate to the

During her more than two

decades at the university, the

UWSP alumna worked with the Alumni Association to

create an endowment to

support alumni programs, established an Alumni Honors

Scholarship program and a

Board of Directors Scholar-

board provided the impetus to

ship. Engelhard and the

change the names of two

national district chair's

council.

4,800 professionals from 461

The director of Alumni Relations has retired after 20plus years at the helm of alumni activities at UWSP.

Karen Engelhard, a 1959 graduate of UWSP, will continue part time for the next two years as coordinator of the Laird Endowment Advisory Board, Laird Youth Leadership Day and UWSP scholarship programs, in addition to serving as chair of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) District 5.

Brant Bergeron, the former associate director of UWSP Alumni Relations, is now the interim director.

As chair of District 5 of CASE, an international association for institutional meeting areas in the University Center to the Alumni Room and the Melvin R. Laird Room.

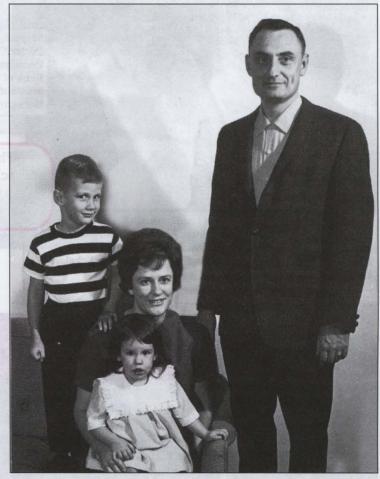
Engelhard has been extensively involved with Laird activities throughout her career. She has coordinated Laird Youth Leadership Day for 17 years and served as the first chair of the Laird Endowment Advisory Board. Her work with the board and the Laird Youth Leadership Foundation helped secure a major gift to UWSP, the largest endowment ever established with the UWSP Foundation.

The former kindergarten teacher speaks of her career at UWSP as "a journey of joy." She says there was never a day that she didn't want to be at her job. "Had I asked for a job to be created for me, this would be it. At UWSP I've had the opportunity to work with some of the finest people—students, alumni, faculty, staff and administrators." She believes it was a great privilege to represent her alma mater, "a fine institution," and the alma mater of both her children.

Other accomplishments of which Engelhard is especially proud are her work on the forthcoming naming of Kotal Field, the publication of

alumni directories, the formation of a small business partnership with the University Store to support alumni programming, the initiation

of a UWSP credit card program in support of alumni programs and activities, and the annual retired faculty luncheon.



An Engelhard family portrait from the mid-sixties includes Karen, her husband, Robert, and their children, Daniel and Diane. Robert is now a retired emeritus professor, Daniel is plant manager of Jefferson Smurfit's Philadelphia Paper Mill, and Diane is senior associate director of the Association of Emory Alumni at Emory University in Atlanta. Diane has followed in her mother's footsteps, formerly serving as director of Alumni Relations at UW-Milwaukee.

Schurter retires

James L. Schurter, the administrator responsible for library operations and the development of technology at UWSP for the past 11 years, retired last fall.

He began his career at UWSP as dean of academic support programs, which included responsibilities for the library, archives, academic computing, advising, tutoring and educational support programs. In 1990 he also assumed responsibility for the campus computing network and the telephone system.

Under Schurter's leadership, UWSP gained national repute as a leader in using

computers in education and for the development of its academic network system. When Schurter came to campus, the university had about 50 personal computers in a few student computing more than 1,500 computers on campus and virtually all buildings have student computing labs.

Library and computing colleagues have established a James L. Schurter Scholarship Fund with the UWSP Foundation. Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund may contact the UWSP Foundation at (715) 346-3812.

laboratories. Today there are

published Road Songs

Bicycling in New Zealand is described in Road Songs, a book by Alys Culhane, published by Cornerstone Press.

The book contains 14 essays about Culhane's 1,500mile, four-month bicycle tour of New Zealand's North and South Islands and the littleknown Stewart Island.

Culhane, associate lecturer in English, says the book allowed her to "look inward and contemplate how my past has shaped my present view of myself as a bicyclist,

tourist/traveler, and athlete."

Cornerstone Press is an editing, publishing and marketing class with Dan Dieterich, professor of English, as its chief executive officer. The class started with funds from a grant, and has remained self-sufficient for 10 years. Each year the class recruits manuscripts that will provide the project for the semester.

For information, contact the English department at UWSP.

Thoyre plans

UWSP's vice chancellor and provost has retired after 34 years on campus and accepted a new appointment as interim chancellor of the 13-campus UW Center System.

Howard Thoyre has filled several administrative roles during his tenure. He left the university's number two spot on Dec. 15 to serve as head of the UW Centers. Following the interim period, he plans to leave the UW

Thoyre succeeded Lee Grugel, who died unexpectedly in October. A permanent chancellor will be appointed by the end of the academic year.

During his career at UWSP, Thoyre rose through the ranks to become chairman of the mathematics department and dean of the College of Letters and Science. In 1987 he was appointed vice chancellor and received the title of provost in 1993. He has served twice as interim chancellor.

Most recently, he has assumed a leadership role in proposing a partnership with the two-year UW Center campuses in Wausau and Marshfield, offering citizens in those communities the ability to complete UWSP

bachelor's degrees by attending classes at the Centers.

Thoyre is proud of his own experiences in the classroom, including the development of workshops on teaching elementary school mathematics and leadership in creating a model integrated mathematics program for elementary

teachers.

This year he was given the Community Award by the Academy of Letters and Science and the Athletic Director's Award for his support of UWSP's athletic program both as a fan and as an administrator.



Networking is Our Goal!

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The Ultimate Networking Tool!

Watch the Mail for Your Personal Survey!

Fill out your survey and tell us what you've been up to! We want to make sure we don't lose you...When you order your directory you'll be up to date on all the latest from your fellow UWSP alumni!

The limited-edition directory to be published early next year will feature alumni in four sections including Alphabetical (with fax numbers and E-Mail addresses), Class Year, Geographical and Occupational listings, and for the first time ever, will be available on

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Terry Porter Golf Classic

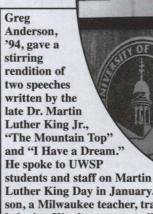


Jack Bennett, new Pointer men's head basketball coach, and Terry Porter, '85, charity tournament host, visit before teeing off at the Celebrity Classic. The tournament, which has raised \$20,000 in its first three years, benefits the Milwaukee Scholars Fund.

Stopping for a photo before trying to "Beat the Pro" at the Terry

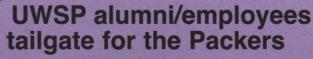
Porter Celebrity Golf Classic are (left to right), Charlie Spaar, Premium Brands of Stevens Point; Bill Fields, M & I Mid-State Bank of Stevens Point; Brad Soderberg, '85, UW-Madison assistant basketball coach; and Bob Spoerl, '82, and Mary Hermanson, '77, Alumni Association board members.

This year's tournament is scheduled for August 18. Call 1-800-858-5267 for more information.



Luther King Day in January. Anderson, a Milwaukee teacher, travels throughout the state bringing King's message to life.

> Madison area reunion





Helen Godfrey, assistant chancellor for student affairs, dressed in Packer garb, leads a cheer for the Pack at a tailgate lunch in Old Main a few days before the Super Bowl.



and John Birrenkott, '75, (right), assistant to the assistant chancellor for student affairs, fry the burgers and brats in a January

snowstorm during a tailgate party they organized to help bring the Packers to a Super Bowl victory.



Seventy-five alums gathered at Babe's Sports Grill & Bar on Aug. 22, 1996, at the Madison area reunion for an evening of reminiscing and camaraderie. Pictured are, (left to right) Ann Peterson, '94, Christine Morris, '92, Hilde Brekke, Britt Brekke, '93, Dan Dagget, '93, Brent Stang, '93, and Renee

Pointers in the "Big Easy"

UWSP alumni who participated in the Packer victory, either with a tailgate party or by traveling to New Orleans for the big game, are invited to send photos to share with us in the Fall Pointer Alumnus.

Hall of Fame inductees



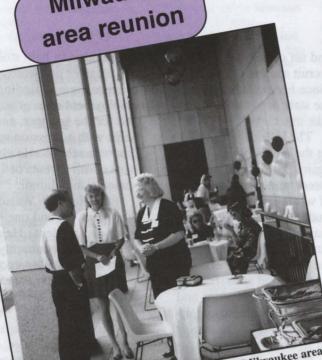
Six outstanding former Pointer athletes and the 1989-90 national championship runner-up Men's Swimming and Diving team were inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame during the 1996 Homecoming celebration Oct. 12. Pictured are, (left to right) Ted Ludeman, '59, Ron Hoenisch, '59, Dennis Arthur, '65, Lynn "Red" Blair (coach of the 1989-90 team), Janet Gelwicks-Nelson, '89, Pete Samuelson, '85 and Scot Moser, '87, who comprised the 1996 inductee class. Then vice-chancellor Howard Thoyre and Jack Larsen, retired director of admissions, received the Athletic Director's Award at the ceremony, while Ken Golomski, '74, and Keith Milkowski, '87, were presented the Excellence in Coaching Award.

Lynn "Red" Blair, men's swimming and diving coach (left), pays tribute to members of the 1989-90 Swimming and Diving National Team after their induction into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame. The team placed second in the NAIA national championships at Canton, Ohio. Matt Boyce, Juan Cabrera, Jerry Curtin, Jeff Davis, Kevin Gelwicks, Paul Kramer, David Martorano, Kevin Parham, Nino Pisciotta, Sam Siegel, Jay Stevens, Scott Thoma, Tom Woyte, and Peter Zenobi were the members of this championship team, coached by Blair and Jeff Shaw, assistant coach.



Alumni Scrapbook

Milwaukee area reunion



More than 75 Pointer alumni attended the Milwaukee area More than 75 Pointer alumni attended the Milwaukee area reunion Aug. 20, at the Marcus Center's Rainbow Summer Colonnade. Alums enjoyed food, beverages, and the music of "Street Life," the house band of the Milwaukee Bucks. Chancellor Thomas George (left) visits with Sarah Spreda, '79 (right).



Stevie and **Stephanie Pointer** can sometimes be seen cruising the streets of Stevens Point in their new costumes. The two were spotted in the

Homecoming parade, at sporting events throughout the year and at activities around campus.



'46 and '49 football champs



before the Pointer football game. Pictured (left to right), Chuck Hanke, '51, Eagle River; Jerry Stenz, '50, Plover; Jack Chvala, '53, Madison; Walt Samelstad, '52, Nekoosa, Wis.; and Walt Brunsman, '52, Racine.

Members of Pointer championship football teams from 1946 and 1949 gathered in September in conjunction with the 10th Annual Spud Bowl. A morning golf outing was attended by (left to right) Ken Kulick, '52, Stevens Point; Jerry Jelinek, '52, Chicago Heights, Ill.; Walt Samelstad, '52, Nekoosa, Wis.; Dick Berndt, '50, Stevens Point; Jack Young, '51, Indianapolis, Ind.; Dick Lorenzen, '51, Hartford, Wis.; Jack Chvala, '53, Madison; and Dave Bliese, '52, Rohnert Park, Calif.

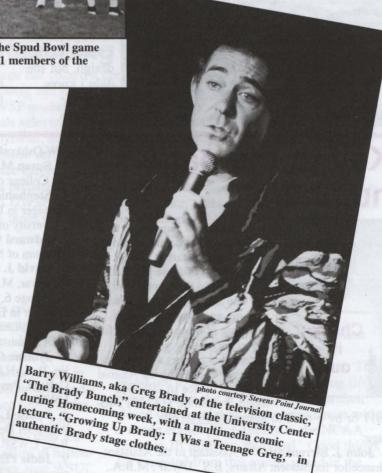


The alumni ended the day by being named honorary captains for the Spud Bowl game versus Iowa Wesleyan. Taking part in the reunion weekend were 21 members of the championship teams.

Class of 1946 celebrates 50th reunion



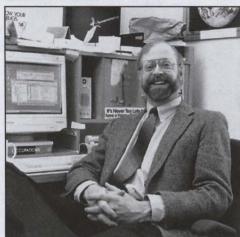
Members of the class of 1946 gathered for their 50th reunion last June. Back row (left to right) Grace Lepak Kolbrick, Marjorie Stimm Radke, Vi Lindow Horn, Doris Ubbelohde Ames, Mary Hutchins Lindow, Ramona Rozek Weisbrod. Front row (left to right) Rollie McManners, Orland Radke, Dennis Roberts, Terry Menzel, Len Abrahamson, Bob Schunk. Not pictured: Betty Furstenberg Valiga.





They never left UWSP

Mike Pagel, Career Services



Mike Pagel's desk is as organized as his mind, he says.

"I focus on the immediate until a distraction comes along. Then I drop what I'm doing and focus on something new." He does the same at home, dropping tools wherever he finishes with them. "I've hit the hammer with the lawn mower more than once," he confesses. His wife, Lara, knew about this when they married, and it still drives her

crazy

Pagel was deeply interested in electronics during high school until his Dad pointed out that his math grades precluded that career. He had learned to be an excellent trout fisher as a boy, so he decided on a career in natural resources, where he hoped to be paid for trout fishing.

"I was a fisheries major for about 10 minutes," he says. He journeyed through five different majors, ultimately completing a double major in resource management and English.

In the early 1970s, Pagel read in the *Pointer* that the university had established a recruiting committee to look at ways to increase enrollment. A man by the name of Dennis Tierney (now execu-

tive director of student services and director of Career Services) was chair of the committee. Pagel thought some of Tierney's ideas were fairly interesting, and that some of them were quite outrageous.

Pagel reasoned that his experience working summers in the Conservation Camp program of the Department of Natural Resources, where he was in contact with lots of high school kids, gave him insight into their needs. Besides, it hadn't been that long since he had been one himself. He believed he could be of help, so he made an appointment with Tierney to give him some feedback.

At the meeting, Tierney asked him if he was interested in recruiting because a cooperative internship had just been created. Pagel got a haircut and some clip-on ties so he would look respectable

and set out on the road to recruit students for UWSP. Since he was traveling around the state he was unable to take any classes.

The following fall he took on the internship assignment again, prolonging his college career, and turned his hobby of writing papers (for fellow students) into an English major. He visited several hundred high schools during the two fall semesters. Soon he was hired as assistant director of admissions and when an opening came up in Career Services, he applied for it, and was hired.

"Dennis Tierney has been pivotal in my career," Pagel says. "He was instrumental in getting me started, getting my permanent position in Admissions, and in getting me the job I still have," Pagel says

His role at Career Services is to provide guidance and

information to help students make career decisions. He coaches them in finding employment after graduation and for the summer, and helps with admission to graduate school. He also works with parents of UWSP students and alumni.

Pagel lived in Watson Hall during his six and one-half years as a student. He recalls the sense of community there: "You almost had to epoxy your door shut to avoid having 30 friends within the first week," he says. "We invented a lot of bizarre games and did a lot of dangerous things with electricity," he recalls wistfully without elaborating.

He describes one of his antics: "We used to put a message by the phones in bars, 'Call Lee if you need a ride home, 344-____.' It was Chancellor Lee Dreyfus' phone number."

Mary Ann Baird, Interior Architecture

During the time when Mary Ann Baird's three daughters were born, she was studying for her master's degree at UWSP, and she began teaching as an adjunct faculty member. She graduated in 1967, and eventually became head of the Division of Interior Architecture and Retail Studies, which she helped to form.

But the road she took to UWSP was not exactly straight.

Baird finished her bache-

lor's degree at UW-Stout in 1959 in three and one-half years. She taught high school before she and her husband, Jerry, moved to Stevens Point, where he worked at Sentry Insurance. Her next step took her to Mid-State Technical College, where Agnes Jones placed a student with her for an adult learning experience. After Jones came to observe the student, she asked Baird if she would teach a class at the university. She accepted the offer and

her career took another turn.

Getting a master's degree was the natural next step, Baird says. She knew Stout's great reputation for home economics and interior design, but she didn't know about the programs

available at UWSP. "When I came to know some of the faculty and something about the program here, I was tremendously impressed," she

Not only did she study and raise a family while teaching, she found time to volunteer at church and in the community, teaching Sunday school and working with Girl Scouts. Her interest in art and design and in having fun with her children led her to organize the first "Art in the Park," which is still held each summer in Stevens Point. All three of her daughters, Susan Baird-Raugauth, Mary Baird-Barnes and the late Patricia Baird-Wimme, are graduates of UWSP.

"I now see my grown daughter, Mary, with her three little ones and I wonder how I did it all," Baird says. "I don't remember things being any more hectic than they are now."

As her career at UWSP

progressed, Baird became assistant campus planner. Between 1969 and 1975 she helped plan many campus buildings, including Thomson and Watson Halls, the Fine Arts Center, the original portion of the College of Natural Resources and the first Science Building addition. She also helped with the College of Professional Studies where she now works. "Anything in this building that I selected that was wrong, I'm now living with," she jokes. "Of course, the things that were right, I'm living with too."

Baird's expertise led her to work with churches in the Catholic Diocese of La Crosse to plan new buildings or renovate existing structures. She is very involved with the new structure at St. Bronislava Catholic Church in Plover, where she is a member. She also holds workshops on art and environment in liturgy for the La

Crosse Diocese, the Green Bay Diocese and the Milwaukee Archdiocese. In addition, after the death of her husband in 1989 and her daughter, Patricia, in 1993, she started a grief ministry at her church.

She is proud of the revised curricula and new directions for the Division of Interior Architecture and Retail Studies, which are on the leading edge changes in the field. She recently stepped down after 10 years as head of the division to return to full-time teaching, "my first love," she says.

Baird received the University Service Award in 1985 and the Excellence in Teaching Award in 1983. In 1981 and 1985, she received the Outstanding Teacher of the Year in the School of Home Economics. She was the first member of a college or university faculty in Wisconsin to complete the National Council for Interior Design qualifications.

Key to the page numbers



We found it impossible to list all the alumni who are employed as faculty and staff at UWSP. Here is a list of those pictured with the page numbers.

The alumni were chosen at random, and represent only a sampling of those you might find if you are visiting your alma mater. You can get a complete listing by contacting the Alumni Relations Office in 208 Old Main, by phone at (715) 346-

3811 or by e-mail to alumni@uwsp.edu.

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2. **John J. Birrenkott**, '75, Assistant to the Assistant Chancellor for Student Affairs, B.S., UWSP; M.B.A.,

UW-Oshkosh.

3. **Susan M. Kissinger**, '85, Assistant to the Dean of the College of Natural Resources, B.S., UWSP.

4. **Stephanie Misaki Whiting**, '87, Outreach Program Manager in UWSP Extension Outreach Education, B.A., University of Illinois; M.A., UWSP.

5. Edward C. Marks, '71, Curator of Education in the Museum of Natural History, B.S., UWSP.

6. **David J. Eckholm**, '74, Director of Admissions and Registrar, M.S., UWSP

Also page 6, at left, **Judith M. Peplinski**, '62, Senior Lecturer in English; Writing Specialist in the Tutoring/Learning Center, B.A., UWSP; M.A., Universi-

ty of Arkansas.

7. **Jyotsna Chander**, '80, Senior Lecturer in Mathematics, B.A., H.M.V. College, Jalandhar City; M.A., D.A.V. College, Panjab University, Jalandhar City; M.E.P.D., LIWSP

8. **Denise L. Dvorscak-Deering**, '77, Senior Television Artist/Set Designer in University Telecommunications, B.S., UWSP.

9. **Judie Pfiffner**, '74, '85, Lecturer in Human Development and Nutritional Sciences, B.S., M.S., UWSP.

(graduate faculty)

10. Mary Jo Buggs, '59, '66 Assistant Professor of English, B.S., M.S.T.E., UWSP.

11. **Michael J. Hansen**, '76, Assistant Professor of Fisheries, B.S., UWSP; M.S., Cornell University; Ph.D., Michigan State University.

12. **Anita L. Godin**, '91, Financial Specialist Supervisor 2; Bursar, B.S., UWSP.

13. Randall J. Champeau, '75, '79, Professor of Environmental Education, and Resource Management; Director of the Wisconsin Center for Environmental Education, B.S., M.S., UWSP; Ph.D., Michigan State University. (graduate faculty)

14. **Raymond J. Stroik**, '57, Archivist Objective, Assistant Archivist, B.S., UWSP; M.S., Ph.D., UW-Madison.

15. Mark A. Koepke, '80, '83, Assistant Director of International Programs, B.S., M.S.T.H., UWSP; M.A., UW-Superior.

16. **Julie Benson**, '86, Program Assistant 1; Records Clerk in Registration and Records, B.S., UWSP.

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Dave and Jane Dumke Administrative and Academic Computing

Dave Dumke, '83, the director of Administrative Information Systems, and Jane Dumke, '85, an information processing consultant with Academic Computing Services, couldn't think of a better place to work than UWSP.

Their opinions are confirmed in an annual survey by Computerworld magazine which rated the university one of "The 100 Best Places to Work" for information systems professionals. UWSP placed second among universities in the country, and was selected as number 14 overall, when rated in areas such as salary levels, staff growth, staff promotions, employee turnover rates, training programs and benefits.

In addition to the traditional workplace benefits,
Dave and Jane enjoy the rural setting of Rudolph, just a 15-minute drive from Stevens
Point. As a bonus they get some family time on the drive to and from work because they take their daughter,
Jordan, and son, Mark, to St.
Paul Lutheran School in
Stevens Point.

They are proud to announce that their third child, Kathryn, was born on Feb. 6, which makes Jane's ability to work from home another dividend. As e-mail administrator, or "postmaster," she oversees the e-mail service on campus. Until this year, she has worked an 80 percent of full-time schedule, which allows her to take much of the summer off. When she's not at the university though, she has an office set up at home that she says is "just like being on campus," and she often works from there.

"The direction computing has taken here, the creativity that current technology allows and the people that I have worked with are the things that have kept me at UWSP," Dave says. "As an institution we are positioned very well for information technology to have a great impact on instruction."

Dave began his career at UWSP right after graduation, planning to get a few years of experience, and then to move on. But when other job offers came along, he says they just didn't seem as appealing as what he has here.

He studied business and computer science at Madison Area Technical College and William Rainey Harper College in Palatine, Ill. But when he began looking for jobs he came to the conclusion that he would need a four-year degree to get the kind of job he wanted. When he enrolled at UWSP a major in computer science was not yet available, so he pursued a degree in business administration with a computer science minor.

Dave thought a student job in computing would be a help to his career, so he pestered Phil Gilbert in the Computer Operations Office until he was hired as a computer operator, and then as a programmer. Dave remembers taking paper tape from the Bursar's Office, and reading it into the "mainframe" or feeding cards into card readers. After graduation he was hired by Administrative Computing as a programmer and analyst for the financial aid system.

Initially, Jane had no interest in computers. "They looked very boring," she says. She was planning on a nursing career, intending to study for two years at Stevens Point as a pre-nursing major. She had been admitted to the Milwaukee School of Nursing, but then she met Dave. Soon she decided to complete a double major in



biology and Spanish with a minor in chemistry at UWSP.

Jane was working at a restaurant, but was a "rotten waitress," she says, so she quit. Dave knew of an opening for a student in the Computer Operations Office, so she began work there. She started doing data entry and sorting cards. After graduation she continued in Administrative Computing on a Wang word processor doing clerical work, and "the position just kind of evolved," she says.

One of her first tasks was evaluating word processors to select one that would work best for the campus. She found that she loved computers, and in hindsight, believes that she might have made as "rotten" a nurse as she did a waitress

Jane continued to study, finishing a major in computer science after Dave completed a master's in business administration at UW-Oshkosh in

They both talk about their jobs as exciting and challenging. "I can't imagine working at a job where everything is the same every day," Jane says. "There is so much need for computer support in the university community."

One of the challenges, they agree, is that there is always something going on. "It's tough to get everything done because we have so many projects going," Dave says. "The other day I was wondering if we would finish what we've got going now before we retire."

Sheila Bannister-Gross, UWSP-Extension

One week after graduation from Beloit Memorial High School, Sheila Bannister-Gross, '84, started classes in the summer pre-college program at UWSP.

She considered attending UW-Madison, (her high school science teacher was willing to help her get a scholarship there) "but I wanted to go where I would be treated as an individual," she says.

She attended school full time for four years, including summers, to finish a triple major in political science with an emphasis in pre-law, public administration and policy analysis, and broadfield social science. In addition, she was a working mom. She met Raymond Gross Jr. in 1983 when he came to UWSP to continue his education, and helped him

raise his children, Ray, 19, and Catrina, 21. She held various student jobs throughout her college career.

The youngest of five children, Bannister-Gross was the first of her brothers and sisters to attend college and her mother wanted to keep her at home. "But I had to go and make something of myself," she says.

"Mom was just a bear about it," she recalls. When her brother convinced their mother to visit the campus, she still didn't like the idea. Even after school began she called to try and convince her daughter to come home. It wasn't until after the first year of college that she finally gave in.

"When I graduated, she was really excited," Bannister-Gross says. "She went around telling everyone, 'My baby graduated from college,' she was so proud."

As a freshman and sophomore, Bannister-Gross was president of the Black Student Coalition. She also was involved in Student Government and was the United Council Representative from UWSP as a freshman. When she received the Campus Leadership Award the presenter said, "She did all of this as a freshman." At graduation, she got the Chancellor's Leadership Award for her work over four years.

Bannister-Gross got her first student job in the Special Services Office (now Multi-Cultural Affairs). In the summer she was a pre-college counselor for minority and disadvantaged high school students. She had a student job in University Relations,

and was then hired as a limited-term employee.

Her next job was as administrative intern for Helen Godfrey, assistant chancellor for student affairs. She shadowed Godfrey for a year under the internship sponsored by the UW System

Office of Women. "It was an exciting opportunity to see what happens in administration," Bannister-Gross says.

After graduation, she was hired half time in University Relations in a less exciting position as clerical staff. She also picked up a half-time position in UWSP Extension where she eventually moved up to her current full-time position as a program assistant

Bannister-Gross lived in
Neale Hall for two years. An
all female hall, "it provided a
safe and secure environment,"
she says. As a sophomore,
she served as a resident
assistant. "Most of the
women on my wing were
freshmen, and it was work



just trying to keep them in line," she jokes.

She remembers a Halloween raid on the men in Pray-Sims after they had raided Neale Hall. The hall director wasn't pleased when she found out that Bannister-Gross had participated. She responded, "Hey, I'm developing camaraderie with the troops!"

Her husband, Raymond, has been slowed down recently by surgery. This year he had a heart attack. When his health improves, both he and Sheila plan to return to their studies. She plans to continue work on a master's degree and he plans to finish his bachelor's in graphic arts.

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17. **Christine Seefeldt**, '86, Program Assistant 2; Ticket Office Manager and Program Assistant for UWSP Performing Arts, B.S., UWSP.

18. W. Scott Schultz, '72, Development Program Manager in UWSP Foundation, Inc., B.S., UWSP. 19. Patricia M. D'Ercole, '84, Senior Suzuki Specialist, American Suzuki Talent Education Center, B.M.E., Rosary College; M.M.E., UWSP. (UWSP graduate faculty)

20. Alice L. Randlett, '64, '74, Professor in the University Library; Reading Programs Coordinator, Tutoring/Learning Center, B.S., M.S.T.E., UWSP; M.A.L.S., Rosary College; Ph.D., UW-

Madison. (UWSP graduate faculty)

21. Andrew Franz, '86, Information Processing Consultant in Information Technology, B.S.,

22. **John Oestreich**, '95, Laboratory Technician 1; Assistant to the Assistant Building Coordinator in the College of Natural Resources, B.A., UWSP. 23. **Sandra Madison**, '86, Assistant Professor of Mathematics and Computing, B.S., UW-Milwaukee; M.E.P.D., UWSP; Ph.D., UW-Milwaukee. (graduate faculty)

24. (Sweater model) Lorry Thomasgard Walters, '79 Associate Director of Career Services, B.S., UWSP; M.S.E., UW-Oshkosh.

College of Fine Arts and Communication





The Festival of the Arts celebrates its 25th anniversary on April 6. The art show, held in the courtyard of the Fine Arts Center at UWSP from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., is sponsored by the Festival of the Arts Council, the

College of Fine Arts and Communication and UWSP. The heart of the festival is the exhibition and sale of original art by about 60 artists from throughout the Midwest.

Music faculty goes high tech

Faculty in the Department of Music at UWSP are using computer technology extensively in their teaching and research.

Last fall, instructors were given responsibility for training freshman music students in the Computer Music Center, a lab which houses computers connected to electronic keyboards, CD-ROMs and a mixing board.

Andrea Splittberger-Rosen, professor of music, begins the training with students doing exploratory work in an area of interest to them. Then they work on computer composition software called "Finale" and eventually, complete a "Vision" sequencing project.

With "Vision," students can create a piece and play it into the computer on the electronic keyboard. "It opens up creative avenues for them," Splittberger-Rosen says.

Students also spend time outside of class using "Practica Musica," to take them through basic drills. "With 'Practica Musica,' everyone's skills improve," Splittberger-Rosen says. "Quicker students pass on to the next level and slower students take the time they need to learn the skills."

Brian Martz, associate professor of music, agrees. "The skill drill the students use in 'Practica Musica' is something they normally wouldn't get."

Screening films and laser disks through a computer for a film history class is one of the ways Lawrence Leviton, assistant professor of music, uses computers. Leviton looks forward to more opportunities for students too. "Within the next year or so, I'm hoping to have a local server with a 'home page' so students can complete their listening assignments using a computer terminal," he says.

Robert Rosen, associate professor of music, uses computers as a basic analytical tool for number crunching budget and enrollment figures. At home, Rosen is in the process of going through reel-to-reel tapes of his past performances and recording them in digital format. He plans to archive the music on CD-ROM and make audio compact discs. Eventually, he will be able to play recordings of his repertoire for students.

Rosen has discussed other ideas with his colleagues too, such as creating audio CDs of examples professors are using in class. "That way they could get exactly what they want," Rosen says. "They could say, 'Let me play for you at measure 33 . . . ' and an example of what they mean would be right there."

The Internet is a tool that music professors Paul Doebler and Michael Keller use for teaching and research. Doebler uses the Internet to search for program notes for recitals and concerts. He also uses it to keep up on things going on in England, where he recently spent a semester abroad. His students use the Internet to locate composers' background information. Keller uses it to gather class material, to look for used instruments, and to recruit high school students statewide.

Department creates Design Center

The Design Center will open this spring in the Department of Art and Design at UWSP as a result of changes in the curriculum aimed at creating a stronger graphic design area.

The curriculum was redesigned for accreditation by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. Department chair, Gary Hagen, expects the revision to give a greater focus on conceptualization and problem solving and help students learn to apply creative thinking in the workplace.

The Design Center will be a student staffed graphic design company with clients in other university departments paying for the service. Jeffrey Morin, associate professor of art and design, will supervise the company, acting as its creative director. Students will fill positions

such as art director and production staff.

An important part of the experience they receive at the center will be to "learn how to follow through on jobs," Morin says. Graphic design students will submit portfolios and compete for the positions, just as they would for an internship with any other company.

A design internship and two semesters of design problem solving are required in the new curriculum. Problem solving as a course offers a professional experience in the classroom, Morin says.

The new curriculum will increase the number of credits students need to take. But Hagen doesn't expect that to have much impact on the time it takes a student to get a degree because students won't have to take extra classes to build a strong portfolio. "The senior studio concentration is

the focus of the previous three years of study," Hagen says. "The concentration represents the development of a significant body of work within a chosen discipline."

The art education major was phased out beginning in 1995 because of low enrollment in that area. In addition, the number of emphasis areas has been reduced and now includes graphic design, painting, printmaking, photography, ceramics and sculpture.

EFS joins communication

The College of Fine Arts and Communication (COFAC) at UWSP is now home to the English for Foreign Students (EFS) program.

The EFS program currently helps about 50 foreign students at UWSP with their English, providing them with the skills and support they need to succeed at the university level.

The program, formerly housed in Nelson Hall, was coordinated by Julie Schneider, who worked through the English department. Schneider now works in the Academic Advising Center, where she will continue to advise EFS students. Richard Ilkka, associate dean of COFAC, is optimistic and views the program move as beneficial to both the Division of Communication and EFS. "We're committed to making this program work," he says.

One of the main benefits is increased student interaction. "Foreign students, who were somewhat isolated at Nelson Hall, are in a sense 'forced' to interact with American students," Ilkka says. Jim Kelim, director of the EFS program, believes that's important. "There's increased exposure to each other," Kelim explains. "If you're ever in the Communi-

cation Arts Center between 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. when EFS holds classes, you'll see this floor become international."

Ilkka and Kelim also see future opportunities for academic sharing of ideas among students. Some of the communication faculty have expertise teaching EFS classes, and both communication and EFS faculty teach conversational management.

Part of those courses cover how to recognize signals given to and received from people of other cultures. According to Kelim, it's likely that in time, foreign students will be brought into communication classes to share their experiences, particularly in the business world

According to Kelim, other

learning opportunities exist too. Communication film classes could benefit from cultural information, and broadcasting students could learn how television production is handled in other countries. Kelim believes that at the same time, foreign students would benefit from greater contact with American students.

Ilkka says another benefit both departments are seeing is financial. EFS is not funded by the state, and the program essentially had to pay rent at Nelson Hall. "As a condition to the recent move, EFS will not pay rent to the college for a year or two, and when they do pay rent, the amount will be only half what they paid in Nelson," Ilkka explains.



Holly Jackson, left, a junior vocal performance major from Sparta, Wis., is the first recipient of a voice scholarship named for music professor Marjorie Gerson Kampenga, right. The award was established by Steven Tillman, center, one of Kampenga's former students, to honor "the ongoing devotion and mission of the teaching of Emerita Professor Kampenga."

A Stevens Point native, Tillman also studied at The Juilliard School and made his New York debut in 1974. At the urging of his father, he returned to school and completed an MBA and is now a CPA in New York, where he continues to study and perform.

Jackson was chosen by a faculty committee charged with finding a recipient who exhibits "respect and reverence for the art of singing." In April, she will play the role of Dido in Purcell's "Dido and Aeneas."

Kampenga came to UWSP in 1966 and retired in 1983. During the 1940s she was a finalist in the Metropolitan Opera auditions. She also enjoyed a professional singing career from 1940 to 1955. She says her years as a teacher at UWSP were the best part of her career.

Communication sweats

Division of Communication sweatshirts are available from the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA).

The ash-gray sweatshirts with navy print carry the words "University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Division of Communication." Available in all sizes, for only \$20 (XXL, \$22), they must be ordered by April 1.

To purchase a sweatshirt, send a check, payable to UWSP (include PRSSA in the memo line) and size preference to: Campus Activities Office, Box #55, 1015 Reserve St., Stevens Point, WI 54481. If you are unable to pick up the sweatshirt at the Communication Office, please include \$5 for shipping.

UWSP has best wellness curriculum in U.S.

The health promotion and wellness program at UWSP has been recognized by the Association for Worksite Health Promotion (AWHP) as the best undergraduate curriculum in the country. The organization's awards recognize excellence in health promotion programs in academic settings, business and industry.

Twenty-six schools were nominated for the award, which was presented at the organization's annual international conference in Phoenix, Ariz. This is the third time in seven years the program has been cited by AWHP.

The criteria for academic selection focus on program quality, longevity, number of graduates, curriculum and internship opportunities. In addition, director and staff credentials are considered, as are the program's evaluation plans.

Founded in 1978 as the first such undergraduate curriculum in the nation, UWSP's program has graduated 475 individuals—32 of them last year. John Munson, associate dean of the College of Professional Studies, and Anne Abbott, director of health promothion and wellness, head the program.

AWHP says these special facets mark the program as extraordinary: students and faculty are challenged to develop and maintain their own personal wellness; the program is based upon a seven-dimensional model; its competency-based objectives are derived from biannual worksite surveys; graduates are crosstrained in health promotion and OSHA-based safety programming; graduates are proficient in facilitating health behavior change and promoting health programs.



The HPERA faculty recognized for excellence in health promotion programs include (left to right) Bill Simpson, associate professor; Judy Herrold, professor; Anne Abbott, professor and director of the program; Marty Loy, administrative specialist; Joan Schuh, administrative assistant; John Munson, professor and head of HPERA, and associate dean of CPS; Terry Aittama, coordinator of the employee wellness program and lecturer in HPERA; and Jim Ramsey, assistant professor.

Action research, a key to teacher self-evaluation

"Action research" is a new key for teachers to evaluate themselves and their programs, that will lead to better teaching as the Wisconsin Rapids School District collaborates with UWSP.

Jay Price, professor of education, and John Davenport, director of instruction for the Wisconsin Rapids



Jay Price

School District, teach a seminar that shows teachers how to study themselves and change the results they are getting with their students.

Price and Davenport received a grant of \$34,000 from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction as part of a federal program called "Goals 2000," a national policy for education that distributes money to the states.

In action research, teachers define a problem to be studied, decide on a solution, and put the solution into action. They then study changes in their classroom to see if the new strategy is working.

Jan Carney, elementary reading specialist for the Wisconsin Rapids district, works with all of the district's elementary teachers. She decided to investigate ways to use her time most effectively

by working more intensely with only 10 teachers at a time. The teachers she chose were in four different schools and taught a variety of subjects at different grade levels. In a follow-up interview with the teachers, she found that it was indeed a more effective method for them.

She met with the teachers to ask how she could be of help, getting them involved in a little action research of their own. After meeting with a teacher, Carney decided on methods that would best help the problem identified. She modeled the solution for the teacher, having herself videotaped while she worked with the children in the classroom. After that, Carney watched the teacher perform the teaching skills she had demonstrated. Now, the video of her demonstrating a skill or method is available to any of the other teachers in the district who have a similar problem or are curious about the topic she demonstrated.

Carney did a follow-up

study, visiting the classrooms of the teachers she had worked with, and she found that the work they had done the previous year was still in place.

According to Carney, working together with an individual teacher on an intensive level helped her see what was really going on in the classroom. "It helped build trust with the people I worked with. We got a feeling of working together that we didn't have before," Carney says.

Sugimoto visits HPERA

Hideo Sugimoto, an exercise physiologist from Japan's Niigata University, spent several months observing classes in physical education and health promotion at UWSP.

"It's been a good experience for us," says John Munson, associate dean of the College of Professional Studies and head of the School of Health Physical Education, Recreation and Athletics (HPERA). Munson and Sugimoto compared curriculum in physical education and health promotion and the structure of their two institutions. They learned that there are more similarities than differences between the two systems of education, according to Sugimoto.

He observed classes in prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of athletic injuries and in lifetime sports such as golf, tennis, skiing and running. An important part of his visit was the time he spent conferring with Munson about UWSP's curriculum and the classes he observed.

Another goal for Sugimoto was to improve his conversational English. He said he had difficulty understanding what was said in the classes that he attended, but when he could look at a student's notes, he could follow the lectures.

UWSP has worked with the Japan Wellness Foundation since its inception more than 10 years ago. However, this is the first exchange with Japan that HPERA has had. Munson and Sugimoto are exploring the possibility of having Japanese students come to campus for a wellness camp in conjunction with the English for Foreign Students

IES student chapter established at UWSP

A student chapter of the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES) of North America was recently established at UWSP. It is the only student chapter in Wisconsin, and only one of 14 internationally.

The group gives students the opportunity to meet professionals in the lighting field. Recently, they participated in a video conference with internationally known lighting expert, Gary Steffy of Ann Arbor, Mich. In addition, the president-elect of the international organization, David Geyman, visited UWSP to meet students and faculty and learn about UWSP and to find out how IES can benefit our students and faculty.

Alumni who have lectured interior architecture classes in lighting include Mellissa Graebner-Young, Robert Gorski of Studio 90 in Minneapolis, and Jim Wegner of Shopko Department Stores.

The president of the newly formed UWSP student chapter, Kristen Havenor, received a trip to the IES national conference in Cleveland, Ohio, with all fees paid and a scholarship of \$300 awarded by the society. She is a senior interior architecture major from Colgate, Wis.

Military Science presents scholarships

The UWSP Department of Military Science awarded \$175,000 in scholarships to high school seniors and UWSP freshmen and sophomores this year.

Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps scholarships valued at \$4,500 are awarded annually. They cover all tuition at UWSP, pay the student \$450 annually for books and \$150 per month

(\$1500 per year) while school is in session.

UWSP freshmen and sophomores with a 2.5 grade point can apply for the two-and three-year on-campus scholarships. Scholarship recipients must complete eight semesters of military science courses, attend a sixweek training camp between their junior and senior years and accept a commission as

an Army second lieutenant upon graduation. Both active duty and reserve service options are available to scholarship applicants. High school seniors can apply for a full four-year scholarship.

For more information about the scholarships, call the military science department at (715) 346-3821.



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UWSP salutes biology faculty and staff

The biology department has received the Board of Regents Teaching Excellence Award. "Our university's Department of Biology enjoys an enviable record of attracting top biology students and offering them a wide range of high-quality classroom and internship opportunities. Under the capable leadership of department chairs Virgil Thiesfeld and Shelley Jansky,

the unit has grown both in prestige and in demonstrated commitment to the success of its students," says Chancellor Thomas George. The award recognizes outstanding teaching across an entire academic department or program and carries a stipend of \$5,000. According to UW System President Katharine Lyall, "The power of teaching is the foundation of our university system."



Pictured left to right are: (front row) Kent Hall, Ellen Jo Holquin, Stephen Taft, Richard Crowther, Betsie Graham, John Curtis, Chair Shelley Jansky, Jane Shippy, Edward Gasque, Patricia Gasque, Robert Schmitz, Robert Kilcoyne, (center row) John Hardy, Sol Sepsenwol, Vincent Heig, Robert Freckmann, Frank Bowers, Chris Hartleb, Edward Stern, David Staszak, Steven Van Horn, Jane Johnson, (back row) Virgil Thiesfeld, Thomas Hurning, Douglas Post, Robert Bell, Kim Becken, and Garry Knopf. Not pictured are: Robert Rosenfield, William LeGrande, Charles Long, David Hillier, Fred Copes, Marvin Temp, and James Zach.

Wresch series to be on PBS

William Wresch, UWSP professor of mathematics and computing, wrote a television series which helps teachers use the Internet that was picked up by PBS. In addition, he wrote two books on the subject.

Wresch is the author of Disconnected: Haves and Have-Nots in the Information Age, published by Rutgers University Press of New Brunswick, N.J., and A Teacher's Guide to the

Information Highway, a manual to accompany the professor's online television course, published by Merrill, an imprint of Prentice Hall of Upper Saddle River, N.J.

The teacher's guide to the Internet, a series of 15 half-hour videos, was created and taught by Wresch and broadcast statewide last year. Distribution rights to the programs have since been purchased by a subsidiary of PBS to be broadcast by

Grant changes chemistry teaching

A trio of educators has developed a pilot program that will change the way introductory chemistry courses are taught at UWSP and other universities.

The three members of the UWSP chemistry department, Steve Bondeson, Jim Brummer, and Steve Wright, received a grant for more than \$190,000 for the project. The money from the prestigious Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE) of the U.S. Department of Education will be used to develop critical thinking in first-year chemistry classes.

FIPSE supports innovative projects that promise to help solve problems in postsecondary education. Projects that are comprehensive, action-oriented and show expectation of long-lasting reform are favored by the fund.

Like educators across the country, Wright has observed that students are not developing critical thinking skills early in their college careers. He has found that students often depend on the instructor or the textbook for the "right" answer, and they are unable to apply what they have learned to new, real situations, he says.

"We define critical thinking as the ability to analyze a question for which all the information may not be available," Brummer says. "The traditional structure of the classes does not always promote the development of this ability."

In order to help the students appreciate the lecture material they receive and retain the ideas they are exposed to, the new course material will have students build their own models, pictures and diagrams to depict the theories they study. This will force them to decide which features of the object being studied are most important to represent in their model, Brummer says.

New styles of teaching will encourage students to work in groups. "Businesses say that it is crucial for students to be able to work together in groups that draw on the strengths of many individuals," Bondeson notes.

These teaching methods may become more widely used in the chemistry department and at other institutions. The project will result in a detailed course of instruction, Wright says. satellite throughout the country. A website with links to more than 100 additional educational sites also is available.

The teacher's guide, one of the most popular educational television courses ever produced at UWSP, provides teachers with training in using the Internet in their classrooms. This year 64 colleges throughout the U.S. downloaded the series in October.

Wresch received a 1996 Award for Excellence in Teaching from UW Extension for his work on the videos. The designation is given for innovative and significant teaching, including traditional and nontraditional instruction.

Wresch's book, Disconnected is the outcome of a one-year visit to Africa. He started writing the book as a Fulbright scholar in Namibia, where he taught computer science. While in Africa, Wresch became increasingly aware of the impact of information flow and the contrast in the lives of those who are information-rich and those who are information-poor.

The book explores the consequences of information inequity. An eight-page excerpt appeared in the January issue of *Educom Review*.

Anthropology joins philosophy

A positive change for the UWSP anthropology program began last summer when it was invited to join the Department of Philosophy as part of ongoing reorganization at the university. The Archeology Center has also seen changes this year.

Cultural anthropology and religious studies are related, says Tom Overholt, chair of the philosophy department, and he sees the move as an opportunity for strengthening both areas.

In Overholt's book, Cultural Anthropology and the Old Testament, he discusses the combination of anthropology and biblical scholarship. The book, published by Fortress Press, a major American publisher of books in biblical studies, will be part of their continuing series, Guides to Biblical Scholarship.

Before the move, the

anthropology staff administered the Regional Archeology Center, located in the Science Building. The center will now be under the geography and geology department and continue to be partly funded by the State Historical Society.

The center is an archival contact point for agencies and individuals in Portage, Waupaca, Shawano, Menominee, Langlade, Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood counties, and the staff provides public education programs on the archeology of the region.

Although funding problems have been temporarily alleviated, budgetary concerns remain, and the future of the center will hinge upon the continued support of the Historical Society and private sources, and the continued cooperation of the Department of Geography and Geology.



Professor Trytten gained a reputation as an excellent teacher with a unique sense of humor, claiming wryly that he received his first recognition when "radioactive hydrogen was named tritium."

Scholarship honors "Tryt"

Roland "Tryt" Trytten, professor emeritus of chemistry, is being honored by the creation of a new four-year scholarship.

Each year, one \$2,000 Trytten Scholarship will be given to an incoming freshman intending to major in chemistry at UWSP.

Money for the scholarship comes from a fund which was established in 1991 by the chemistry department in recognition of Trytten's accomplishments at the university. The fund creates an endowment to: provide Trytten Scholarships each year; administer the Trytten

Award, which recognizes excellent performance in general chemistry by a major; support the department's colloquium program and establish a Trytten Lecture Series; provide awards to support the research of continuing upper-division students; and provide an award in recognition of outstanding teaching by chemistry faculty and academic staff.

Trytten was a chemistry faculty member for 38 years. During 24 of those years, he served as chairman of the department. He was one of the principal architects of the pre-engineering program and provided inspiration and leadership for the creation of UWSP's undergraduate paper science major. In addition, Trytten planned construction of the UWSP Science Building and helped organize the Central Wisconsin Section of the American Chemical Society.

The chemistry department is accepting donations for the Trytten Fund.

Scholarship established

The Bert Hutchinson Memorial Scholarship fund has been established by UWSP mathematics professor, Elaine Hutchinson, and her husband, Remer, in memory of their son.

Bert Hutchinson, 21, who died unexpectedly in January 1996 while on vacation with his parents in Mexico, was a 1993 graduate of Pacelli High School and a junior at Ripon College majoring in physics.

The \$250 award will be given each semester to a UWSP student majoring in education with a mathematics minor. The recipient will be chosen by the Math Scholarship Committee.

Donations can be sent to the UWSP Foundation.

A message from Dean Haney

distributed to more than 100 students.

Once the hyperbole of a Super Bowl championship diminished, everyone in the CNR settled back into the harsh reality of a lingering winter, tight budgets, and a faster pace to life. Change is occurring throughout the College as we approach spring. The new building addition is done (at last) and many students have the good fortune to have classes in one of the new lecture halls or laboratories. The advanced computation laboratory is nearly ready, and computers are humming as they are put through their

The dedication for the new \$10.8 million addition took place March 8. Events included an open house and the 25th Rendezvous at Sentry Theater. Governor Thompson, Congressman Obey, representatives of the UW System, state government, the U.S.D.A., friends and supporters of the College, faculty, students, and parents joined us for the dedication. Many stayed for Rendezvous, which was bigger than ever, with nearly \$60,000 in scholarships

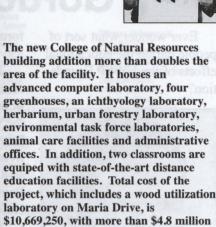
The big change is our new core curriculum. After 25 years of discipline oriented introductory courses, the faculty have elected to integrate these courses and strengthen the emphasis on competencies identified by our alumni as being most important in their careers. Two freshman courses will focus on introductory ecology, and an introduction to forestry and wildlife. Sophomore courses will focus on human dimensions of natural resource management and an introduction to soil and water resources. A fifth course will provide a senior-level, integrated problemsolving experience. We believe these changes will provide a better foundation and context for the advanced, more specialized courses.

The College is also coming to grips with enrollment management. The number of students in the College has continued to climb in spite of a higher GPA requirement. Meanwhile, the College has lost some faculty positions and had budgets in several areas reduced as funding for UW System has declined. To protect the quality of education, we have begun a four-year phase down in student numbers, with the aim of reducing the number of majors from more than 1700 this year to about 1350 by the end of the century. This will make it more difficult for students to get accepted, but it will increase the quality of our student body.

Please keep in touch. You may have left Stevens Point, but you are still a very important part of the College.

Alan Haney





coming from the U.S. Department of

Agriculture, and the remainder from Wisconsin's WISTAR building fund.

Bulmer named outstanding alumna

Susan Bulmer, '82, a native of Schofield, Wis., has been cited as the CNR Outstanding Alumna.

Blumer says she was drawn to UWSP by her long interest in the outdoors. Two summers as a recreation aide in the Green Mountain National Forest in Vermont persuaded her to make Vermont her home.

Her first position was with the Sullivan County (New York) Department of Planning and Economic Development. She then moved to Arizona, where she implemented the Land and Water Conservation Fund program of park acquisition. Since 1988, she has worked for Vermont's Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation as a state recreation planner.

The author of 20 technical papers and the Vermont Recreation Plan, she is a frequent presenter at state and national conferences and meetings, in addition to having served as board member, vice president and president of the National Association of Recreation

Planners.

Bulmer earned a master's degree in recreation resources at Texas A & M University in

Merrill chosen outstanding teacher

Evelyn Merrill, associate professor of wildlife, has been named the outstanding faculty member in the College of Natural Resources.

Her colleagues characterize Merrill as the epitome of cooperation and collegiality, and point out she eagerly contributes resource materials, guest lectures and expertise to improve the wildlife program.

A native of New York, Merrill joined the wildlife faculty in 1994. She received her bachelor's

degree from St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York, and went on to study ecology, earning her master's degree from the University of Idaho and her doctorate from the University of Washington, Seattle.

Merrill teaches wildlife techniques, lectures in the introductory wildlife ecology course on management issues and sociological and political aspects of wildlife management, and has offered graduate courses in species diversity, spatial modeling, GIS and multivariate statistics.

Dombeck named Forest Service chief



Michael Dombeck

Michael Dombeck, a member of the class of 1971, was appointed in January to head the U.S. Forest Service.

He is one of this year's Distinguished Alumni, an honor that he was selected for before he was named Forest Service Chief. While on campus to accept the honor, he took the opportunity to speak to students in the College of Natural Resources.

"This is a tremendous honor for someone who grew up 25 miles from Hayward working as a fishing guide

and roaming through the woods in the Chequamegon National Forest in northern Wisconsin's beautiful lake country," Dombeck said in an interview with the Stevens Point Journal.

His experience, he says, gave him a perspective about the land which he carries with him to his new office.

Dombeck held senior level positions in the Department of Interior for seven years, serving most recently as acting director of the Bureau of Land Management.

His training in science at UWSP was a springboard for his career, he says. It also was at UWSP that he met his wife, Pat, who grew up near Manitowoc, Wis.

"The health of the land is what is most important. We can't meet the needs of people, whether it is for industry, recreation or tourism, if the land is not healthy," he says.

"As managers of the public trust, our job is to ensure that all who use the land—be they anglers, timber companies or hikers-support the land's conservation and restoration," Dombeck said in his first message to Forest Service employees.

Robert Engelhard, emeritus forestry professor, called the appointment "wonderful" for the university. "Dombeck has hundreds of UWSP alumni working for him," Engelhard told the Journal.

Dombeck earned a master's degree at the University of Minnesota and a doctorate at Iowa State University.

SAF named top chapter in the nation

UWSP's student chapter of the Society of American Foresters (SAF) has been named the top chapter in the

The 80-plus-member group and its officers were honored at a recent national convention in Albuquerque, N.M.

John Houghton of the forestry faculty is the group's adviser. Dean Haney accompanied 24 student members to the conference. Landing the top SAF chapter honor is a first for UWSP. The

chapter placed third in 1994-

One of the chapter's recent projects was to help re-create prairie savannah areas in the redesign of the Little Plover River Park. Ongoing events include the annual pulp cut at which the students practice handling power saws and other equipment safely and accurately while cutting down trees and hauling them to sawmills. The event brings a substantial amount of revenue to the chapter.

Wildlife society twice called tops

The student chapter of The Wildlife Society at UWSP has been named the top student chapter in the nation for the second consecutive year.

It was recognized by the national organization of wildlife professionals besides being named the outstanding student organization at UWSP for the second year in a row. The organization is advised by James Hardin, professor of wildlife.

During 1995-96 its members logged more than 5,500 hours of involvement on 20 projects, including removing nuisance animals for Stevens Point residents, hosting oncampus educational opportunities for area school children, and monitoring various species of wildlife in central Wisconsin. Members educated themselves and other students about political activities related to natural resources management, visiting with legislators to discuss state and national legislation impacting upon wildlife.

In April, the local group will host about 300 students from 12 states at the 27th annual Student Wildlife and Fish Conclave of The Wildlife Society.



Gordon Haferbecker, quintessential Pointer

Ever wonder what sort of people enrich the educational efforts of the UWSP Foundation?



Haferbecker began his career here during the Great Depres-

All kinds! Captains of industry, retired teachers, recent alumni who have just experienced its benefits, and folks like you. Not all, however, are as well-known as Gordon Haferbecker.

UWSP Professor Emeritus Gordon M. Haferbecker recently announced additional gifts increasing two existing endowed scholarships. One, under the name of his late wife, Erma, provides scholarships for students preparing to become teachers.

That endowment is now valued at \$16,000. Erma Haferbecker died in 1982. He and the former Darlene Myers were married in 1986. A second endowed scholarship valued at \$25,000 supports scholarships for students with majors in his

former department—economics.

This caring support is characteristic of the man who in numerous ways epitomizes the values of his university. Many maintain that if any living individual could be said to be the quintessential Pointer, it would be Gordon Haferbecker.

A native of the Antigo area, Haferbecker completed a one-year teacher preparaUWSP began over 60 years ago when he attended summer school here.

This self-made educator found no residence hall waiting to welcome him in the depths of the Great Depression. His solution was a tent pitched not far from campus. Having no refrigeration available, Haferbecker kept his food from spoiling by burying it in the ground.

In time, he managed to

Haferbecker served as acting president of UWSP following the death of James Albertson.

tion program at the Langlade County Teachers College in 1931 and started his career in a one-room school near Polar, Wis. His association with enroll on a full-time basis and graduated in 1939. At his commencement, he was introduced as winner of the school's annual outstanding leadership award. Thirty-five years later, he was given the UWSP Distinguished Alumnus Award. Last spring,

The UWSP Foundation is thankful for Gordon Haferbecker and all who provide educational enrichment for UWSP students through generous financial support.

Haferbecker received Antigo High School's Distinguished Alumni Award as one of the community's most prominent educators.

The list continues. In 1976 he received an Excellence in Teaching Award here, and in 1988 a lecture hall in the Collins Classroom Center was named in his honor.

Whether assuming the role

of teacher, author, economist, or acting president of UWSP, throughout his career, Haferbecker has contributed his time and talent to the enrichment of his alma mater and her students.

The UWSP Foundation is thankful for Gordon Hafer-becker and all who provide educational enrichment for UWSP students through generous financial support. As campus budgets grow ever tighter, the UWSP Foundation continues to provide over 300 student scholarships, and endowments for each of our colleges.

In retirement, Haferbecker can look back over the decades with pride and satisfaction. He has watched the Normal School of his youth grow—with the loyal help of its friends and alumni—into today's nationally famous University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.



Lee Dreyfus, right, assumed the presidency from Gordon Haferbecker, left, in 1967. Longtime campus supporter Mel Laird, center, joins the group at the transition of leadership.

When giving really pays: Charitable gift annuities

Sometimes, the best way to get the most from what you have is to plan how to give it away.

One effective method of retaining current income while making a gift is through a planned gift called a charitable gift annuity. A charitable gift annuity will pay a donor guaranteed income for life, provide an immediate income tax deduction, may reduce or defer capital gains tax and will create a substantial gift for the future benefit of UWSP.

Suppose you have a \$10,000 CD paying 5% interest. Or, maybe you have \$10,000 of appreciated stock paying a 3% dividend.

- Would you rather earn 6.1% or 8.1% guaranteed for life?
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The charitable gift annuity works in the same way as any other annuity

purchased from a private insurance company. A commercially purchased annuity benefits the annuitant and a private company.

A charitable gift annuity benefits the donor (or annuitant) and a nonprofit organization. A gift annuity is a binding contract between the issuer, in this case the UWSP Foundation, and the annuitant, which guarantees a fixed payment for life.

Sometimes, the best way to get the most from what you have is to plan how to give it away.

Gift annuities can be immediate or deferred. An annuitant's income and deductions can be significantly greater when the annuity is deferred for a period of years.

The donor's needs should dictate the type of annuity that is selected, and any donor considering a gift annuity should consult with a financial planner or tax accountant.

The following examples of gift

annuities are based on current IRS regulations and tables. Actual amounts may vary depending on the age of the donor or annuitant and the type of property used to purchase an annuity.

1. Stephanie Pointer, age 60, has been earning \$500 per year (5%) from a \$10,000 investment. She decides to contribute this \$10,000 to fund a charitable gift annuity that begins paying her quarterly income immediately. Her annual income increases to \$610 and includes \$233 of tax-free income and \$376 of ordinary income. Stephanie's current year income tax deduction of \$4,378 gives her an additional tax refund of \$1,225.

2. Stephanie decides to wait until age 65 to begin receiving annuity payments from her \$10,000 contribution to a deferred gift annuity. Her annual income, beginning in the year 2001, will be \$810. Of this annual amount, \$218 is tax-free. Stephanie's current year income tax deduction is \$5,620, saving her \$1,525 in income taxes.

An elementary education major at

UWSP, Stephanie directed the Foundation to use her gift to establish an endowed scholarship for future teachers.

In both examples, an endowed scholarship fund with a present value of \$7,000 to \$8,000 will be available after Stephanie's death. In current dollars, this scholarship would be worth approximately \$450 annually to deserving students.

Gift annuities are one of many planned gift opportunities that allow donors to continue receiving financial benefits from investments while also creating a significant gift to benefit students at UWSP.

For information, contact Scott Schultz at the UWSP Foundation, 212 Old Main, 2100 Main St., Stevens Point, WI 54481, or call 1-800-858-5267.

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Major accomplishments of 1996

- •Red Blair WSUC Swimming and Diving Coach of the Year.
- •Pointer Wrestling Team wins fourth WSUC Championship in five seasons. Six individual Conference Champions.
- Marty Loy named WSUC Wrestling Coach of the Year for fifth time in six seasons.

March

- •Pointer Wrestling Team finishes fifth at NCAA Division III Championships, its highest finish ever. Four individual all-Americans.
- •Pointer Men's Swimming and Diving Team finishes 10th at NCAA Division III Championships, its highest finish ever. Nine individual All-Americans.

May

•Pointer Softball Team wins NCAA Division II Midwest Regional to advance to College World Series for first time ever.

 Pointer Wrestling Assistant coach Dennis Hall wins Greco Roman Silver Medal at 100th Olympic Games in Atlanta.

September

•Pointer Football Team wins 10th straight Spud Bowl.

October

- •Pointer Men's Cross Country Team wins first WSUC Championship since 1981, defeating #1 and #4-ranked teams in nation in the process.
- •Rick Witt named WSUC Cross Country Coach of the Year.

•Nancy Page named WWIAC Tennis Coach of the Year.



Coach Witt

The UWSP men's cross country team, under the leadership of NCAA Division III Coach of the Year Rick Witt, completed their best season ever last fall.

The Pointers finished third

Cross country runs 3rd at nationals

in the NCAA national meet after finishing second in the Midwest regional meet and winning their first conference title since 1981.

Junior Chad Johnson led the team with a fifth place finish in the national meet. The first five UWSP runners to cross the line all finished in the top 40. Johnson, juniors Chad Christensen and Josh Metcalf earned All-American honors.

"Once we started running well, the kids started believing they could run better,' Witt explained. "I'm really proud of what our team accomplished. We made

some changes in our coaching and the team responded

The conference, regional and national meets were all dominated by three Wisconsin State University Conference (WSUC) teams. UWSP won the WSUC conference title, UW-Oshkosh captured the Midwest regional title, and UW-La Crosse came away with the national championship.

The future looks bright for this Pointer men's crosscountry; the entire team will remain intact for a run at the national championship next season.

Wisconsin spring weather for the Pointer baseball team. squad was dominated by youngsters who now have that much-needed experience

Men's track and field

It was close but no trophy

Olympic medal for Point wrestler

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Stevens Point

UWSP assistant wrestling coach Dennis Hall brought an Olympic silver medal back to Stevens Point last July.

The Greco-Roman wrestler won three straight overtime victories before being defeated by Yuriy Melnichenko of Kazakstan in his final match at the centennial summer Olympics in Atlanta. In his opening match Hall beat Turkish wrestler Seref Eroglu 3-0, scoring all three points in the three-minute overtime period. A 3-2 victory over South Korea's Park Chi-Ho put him in the semifinals where he defeated Sheng Zetian of

China 1-0 in overtime.

In the gold medal match, Hall met Melnichenko, whom he had previously defeated in the 1995 world championships final. However, this time Melnichenko came away with the win by executing a lift with three minutes and 20 seconds remaining in the match. The move gave Melnichenko four points and the gold medal.

Hall will continue to compete for the U.S. national team in 1997, hoping to earn a rematch with Melnichenko in the upcoming world championships.

track and field team as they came up just nine and one-After a good start against half points short of unseating quality competition, Point battled the elements and its perennial WSUC track and field kingpin UW-La Crosse own inconsistency as they won just nine times the at the conference championremainder of the season ships. At the NCAA Division finishing 16-20. But the III Nationals, the Pointers got All-American performances

to turn things around.

the 4x400m relay team.. Women's track and field The Pointer women's

American honors by two spots.

again for the Pointer men's track and field team finished a strong third at the WWIAC Championships. Hurdler Jen Klement won the 400m hurdles and was a close second in the 100m hurdles. At the NCAA Division III National Meet, senior Wendi Zak earned All-American honors in the 10,000m race; from Chad Robran in both the and Christina Bergman 110m and 400m hurdles and advanced to the finals in the discus, but missed out on All-

Spring 1996 in review

Softball

Disappointment quickly turned to elation as the Pointer softball team went from being swept out of the WWIAC Tournament in two games despite the numberone seed to, just a week later, a berth in their first-ever NCAA Division III College World Series in Salem, Va. The team, which won the WWIAC title in 1995, took another step forward for a third straight season, going a

best-ever 33-12 while setting 13 new team records and another 10 individual standards. At the series, Point dropped a pair of one-run games, including an extra inning setback to numberone-ranked Chapman College. Despite the loss of two quality seniors, a strong nucleus remains for the team. Baseball

A promising 7-5 trip to Florida in March turned as cold and dismal as the

Fall 1996 in review

Women's tennis

The Pointers made a loud statement for the future with a third place finish at the **WWIAC Championships** after going 6-3 during the regular dual season. Point captured two conference singles crowns as sophomore, Tammy Byrne won at number 3 and freshman Amy Oswald was victorious at number 5. In doubles, the team of Byrne and freshman Jenny Bacher won the championship in commanding fashion. Longtime head coach Nancy Page earned WWIAC Coach of the

Year honors for her leadership of the young squad. Women's golf

In their first year of varsity competition, the Pointers represented themselves well with both respectable team and individual finishes. Point stumbled somewhat at the end of the season, but has laid the groundwork for what promises to be a very competitive program.

Volleyball

The loss of some experienced veterans plus the youthful and inexperienced

makeup of this season's team proved too much to overcome for the Pointer volleyball team as they battled to a final 18-16 record. However, the future looks bright as just two seniors depart from the freshman-dominated group. Women's soccer

Injuries to three key players before the season even started proved too much to overcome as the Pointer soccer team saw its highly successful run come to a halt. But, despite the final 11-10-1 overall record, Point still finished 7-0-1 in the WWIAC

regular season before seeing a

WWIAC 45-match unbeaten streak snapped in a 4-1 championship game loss to UW-La Crosse. The soccer squad, like several of the 1996 Pointer fall sports teams, was forced to play a young lineup the entire season. But, with the return of the three injured veterans, the team will be an experienced, battle-tested crew once 1997 rolls around.

Football

An uncharacteristic threegame WSUC losing streak in October slowed the Pointer football team which finished with a 6-3 overall mark.

Highlights were plentiful as quarterback Tom Fitzgerald and running back Nate Harms both left their marks on the UWSP record book. The team was highly regarded nationally through a sparkling offensive and defensive showing in the first five games. Although 11 seniors graduated, including some key position players, a strong group of youngsters who carried themselves well throughout the season, demonstrate that Pointer football will be back.

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Obituaries of UWSP faculty members

Joy Blake



Joyce (Joy) E. Blake, 36, associate professor of interior architecture, died on January 13 in Marshfield, Wis.

Larry Kokkeler



Larry Kokkeler, professor of communication at UWSP, died Sept. 27, at the age of 57.

Kokkeler battled idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis for six months, but continued to teach a modified schedule until a week before his death. He was actively involved in his administrative duties as assistant chairperson of the Division of Communication until last July.

He was born in Dickinson, N.D., and grew up in Belfield, N.D. After his father's death, he and his

Before coming to UWSP in 1992, she taught at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. A Certified Interior Designer, she also worked as a professional designer in Tennessee and Georgia and served as a Computer Aided Design (CAD) specialist and consultant on numerous projects.

Her professional interests were in Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance, designing for the aging, office design, building codes and historic preservation. She was director of the ADA Center for Public Awareness on campus, a student consulting group which assesses public

mother moved to Yakima, Wash., where he graduated from high school. He served four years in the Navy in personnel.

He came to UWSP in 1983 from the University of Nevada-Las Vegas, where he taught for 13 years. While at UNLV, he designed the public relations major for the Department of Communication Studies and was its principal instructor for five years.

Kokkeler designed the public relations emphasis at UWSP and advised the student chapter of the Public Relations Society of America.

facilities and develops plans to accommodate people with disabilities. Last year about 20 seniors in one of her courses helped the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King plan the addition of a community-based residential facility (CBRF).

Blake received the Vice Chancellor's Merit Award for Service in 1993 and 1994. She also received a regional award for chairing the Midwest Regional Conference for the Interior Design Educators Council.

A Joy Blake Memorial Scholarship Fund has been established with the UWSP Foundation.

He specialized in public relations, advertising and marketing research and taught courses in public speaking, group communication and research methods.

He earned his bachelor's degree at Dickinson State University, Dickinson, N.D., a master of arts degree at Colorado State University and a doctorate at Southern Illinois University.

A memorial has been established in his name to fund a scholarship in the Division of Communication.

He is survived by his wife, Sheila, and two daughters.

Edward Graboski

Edward Graboski, 75, died Nov. 6 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield.

Graboski, who lived in Stevens Point, was the former business manager of the UWSP library. He joined the university in 1967 and retired in 1984.

Before coming to UWSP, Graboski managed grocery stores for the A&P Company, first in Wausau and later in Merrill, Menominee Mich., and Stevens Point. He was a great sports enthusiast and a published storyteller.

A graduate of Rhinelander High School, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps and was discharged as a corporal in 1946. He was awarded the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Ribbon and the Good Conduct Medal.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elaine. Survivors include three daughters.

Bhola Singh



Retired professor of political science, Bhola P. Singh, died on January 7, 1997.

An advocate at UWSP for international education, he served as a faculty leader for six semesters abroad. He was the longtime faculty adviser for a student United Nations organization that won many honors for participation in annual Model UN programs.

Following his retirement in 1992, Singh maintained

his interests in political theory and the politics of South Asia. He also updated and expanded a textbook he wrote about Mohandas Gandhi.

His longtime hobby of playing in duplicate bridge competitions brought Singh major recognition, and he edited the state bridge newsletter.

Singh was a native of Pastpar, State of Bihar, India. He earned a bachelor's degree at Patna University and a master's degree at Allahabad University. His first teaching assignment was at Bihar University.

In the United States, he earned a master's degree and a doctorate from Indiana University and taught at Western Reserve University in Cleveland and Indiana University's campus in Jeffersonville before coming to UWSP in 1965. Early in his career, he was a recipient of a Carnegie Endowment to conduct research.

Maurice Edmond Perret

Maurice Edmond Perret, professor emeritus of geography at UWSP, died on Nov. 18, 1996, in Neuchatel, Switzerland. A native of La Chaux de Fond, he was born on May 19, 1911.

Perret studied at the



universities of Neuchatel, Zurich and Lausanne in Switzerland and the University of California at Berkeley. He came to UWSP in 1963 after teaching in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and at several schools in Switzerland and retired in 1981. As a going away tribute, faculty colleagues named the 100,000piece map collection in the Science Building for him.

A traveler since child-hood, Perret had visited more than 160 countries by the early 1990s. He served as a delegate of the International Red Cross as a visitor of World War II prison camps in the United States, and in 1950 he went to Palestine to review relief to Arab refugees.

He was the author of *Portage County—Of Place* and *Time*, a book about the county's geography, published by Cornerstone Press, a UWSP student publishing class.

Memorial donations may be made to the university's Department of Geography/ Geology Scholarship Fund.

Obituaries of graduates

Jacque Vallier, friend of UWSP, died in September. He and his wife, Dorothy, donated the 1,000-acre Treehaven Field Station to UWSP as well as a 1,200-piece collection of pressed glass goblets. They also fund the Dorothy and Jacque D. Vallier Chair of Ecology in the College of Natural Resources.

Correction: In the last issue of the *Pointer Alumnus*, **Flora Hopkins'** maiden name was listed incorrectly as "Dennison," which is her stepfather's name. Her maiden name is Pike.

1990s

Tanya Joy Beck, '96, died in July following a fire in her home in Appleton, Wis. At UWSP she was captain of the cheerleading, stunt and dance squad and was a member of the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority.

Jason Angst, '96, a UWSP senior scheduled to graduate in May of 1996, died in November of 1995. Jeffery Hartig, '95, of Milwaukee.

Michael Maly, '94, Antigo, Wis. Annette Perrin, '94, died last March of brain cancer.

Christopher Salzman, '92, died last May at the age of 27. He worked as a camera person for WAOW-TV 9 and WSAU-TV 7 in Wausau.

Brett Megal, '92.

Michelle (Konkel) Bean, '91, died at her home in the Portage County town of Grant. She taught preschool in Marshfield and in Stevens Point.

Nancy (Wenzel) Hodgson, '90, died in June at the age of 30. She worked as an elementary school teacher in the Wausau and D.C. Everest school systems.

1980s

Lynn Wyss, '87, died last June at the age of 32 as the result of an automobile accident. She moved to Madison from South Carolina in 1994 to work for Green County Human Services.

Dolores (Landowski) Pepowski, '82, died last May at her home at the age of 35. She was employed by First Financial Bank in Stevens

Thomas Otto, '81, of Menomonee Falls, Wis., died in July.

Joseph Zacherl, '80, died in September in Neenah, Wis. He worked in research and development at Kimberly-Clark Corp. Paul Gehin, '80, died last April at the age of 45. He was employed as an acoustical engineer.

1970s

Susan Marie Ingold Hanson,
'79, died in June in York, Maine.
She owned and operated S.M.
Hanson Designs, where she
designed yarn patterns for sale.
Thomas Boomsma, '79, Randolph, Wis., died along with his
wife and two children in a traffic
accident in September. He
worked as a claims manager at the
General Casualty Insurance Co.

Richard Westmore IV, '78, Cedarburg, Wis., died in October at the age of 40.

David Pflug, '77, died in September at the age of 41. He worked as an air management engineer for the Department of Natural Resources in Green Bay. James Shriver, '77, died in September at his home in Oxford, Wis. He served as a sonar operator in the Naval Rescue and as an air traffic controller in Aurora, Ill.

Mark Dutton, '76, Orange Park, Fla.

Michael O'Halloran, '75, died at his parents' New Berlin, Wis., home. He was employed as a health inspector for the state of Colorado.

Timothy Doelger, '72, died last June at the age of 47. A resident of the Suamico, Wis., area, he worked for the Department of Natural Resources as a water quality biologist.

James Evrard, '71, Neenah, Wis., died in August at the age of 51. He served in Vietnam as a First Airborne Cavalry Army Ranger. Evrard later worked in the Theda Clark Medical Center emergency room in Neenah.

In Memoriam

Steve Breeser, '71, died last April. He managed the Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge on the New Hampshire-Maine border.

Rebecca Rohr Clark, '71, of Milwaukee.

Carol (Goedert) Dopp, '70, died last March. She worked as a library assistant at County View Elementary School in Verona, Wis.

1960s

Donna (Drews) Arndt, '69, Ontario, Wis., died in a traffic accident in Waushara County in June. She taught family and consumer education at Brookwood High School for 25 years.

Diane Kobleske, '68. Rose (Spiegel) Jackson, '68, of Springfield, Ohio, died last May. Edward Molenda, '67.

William Lock, '66, died in July at the age of 55. He played basketball while at UWSP and worked in the field of medical technology for more than 30 years after graduating.

Nancy (Trainor) Roskopf, '65, died in September at the age of 52. She was the community services director at The Threshold in West Bend, Wis.

Judith Slominski, '65, died in October at the age of 50. She taught at Madison metro schools for 25 years.

Marian Bruns, '65, died at her home in Eagle River, Wis. She taught grade school in Wisconsin for over 30 years.

Berdena Gumm, '65, died in March of 1996 in Marshfield, Wis. She taught at Meadow Brook, Arpin and Auburndale elementary schools until her retirement in 1980.

Norma Jo Barber, '65, of Hot Springs Village, Ariz.

Elinore Sund, '65, died at her home in Tomah, Wis. She taught at Grove School in Wisconsin Rapids until her retirement.

Lila (Luck) Ehrike, '64, died in August. She taught in Marathon and Wood County schools for 27 years. After marrying William Ehrike in 1929, she taught and farmed in McMillan.

Hazel Keip, '64, died last June in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. She taught at several elementary schools in central Wisconsin.

Leonard Scipior, '64, died in Schaumburg, Ill. A native of Stevens Point, he moved to Chicago after college.

Bernard Lewandowski, '64, died in June at the age of 55. He worked as a salesman for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals.

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The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point practices equal opportunity in employment and programming. Kathleen (Porter) Benz, '63, died in July at the age of 81. She taught school in the Suring area for 33 years and in Shawano County for 11 years.

Susie Baillies, '63, died last January at the age of 94. She taught at various schools in Columbia County.

Emgard Buchberger, '63, died last April in Wittenberg, Wis. She and her husband operated a dairy farm near Mattoon until their retirement.

Anna (Degen) Hills, '62, died in August in Minneapolis, Minn. A teacher, she and her husband were lifetime residents of Loyal, Wis.

Adelaide (Sprague) Schweger, '62, Mercer, Wis., died in June. Pearl Ruesch, '62, died last March in Medford, Wis. She taught elementary education in Taylor County and worked with

and Marathon.

Ellen Goerlinger, '60, died last
April in Clintonville, Wis. She
taught school in Clintonville for

handicapped children in Medford

more than 40 years.

C.W. "Chuck" Richards, '60, died last year. He taught astronomy and chemistry at UW-Marinette from 1969 to 1995. A lecture hall at UW-Marinette was named in his honor.

Michael Holleran, '60, died last May. He served in the U.S. Navy in the Mediterranean and the Middle East until 1960. Holleran retired in 1993 after spending 31 years with the Marshfield Fire and Rescue Department.

1950s

Ronald Charles Thomas, Sr., '57, died last April in Hawaii, where he was vacationing. He served in the U.S. Navy and later became a real estate broker.

Gene Hurrish, '55, died in September at his home in Green Bay. He taught math at Franklin Junior High School for 25 years and retired in 1991 after teaching six years at Southwest High School.

Violet Esther Ruth (Bigalke) Mauer, '54, Mauston, Wis., died in September at the age of 96. She taught at rural schools in Juneau and Sauk counties for 28

Carol Anderson, '54, died in October in San Diego, Calif. She worked for 27 years as a supervisory contract specialist for the U.S. Navy Civil Service.

David Butler, '52, died at his home in Pittsburg, Kan. He taught printing at Pittsburg State University for 30 years.

Iver Erickson, '52, died last May at his winter home in Largo, Fla. He worked at the Kettle Moraine Correctional Institute until retiring.

Edward "Tony" Whelihan, '51, died last April at his home in Marshfield, Wis. He served as principal of five schools in the Marshfield School District during his 25-year tenure there.

Robert Kerr, '51, died last May in Portage, Wis. During World War II he received a Purple Heart for injuries received in the Battle of the Bulge. Kerr worked as an auditor for the state of Wisconsin until retiring in 1983.

Joseph Martini, '50, died last May in Santa Rosa, Calif. He served in the Wisconsin National Guard and the U.S. Army from 1947-53. Martini is also a former president and secretary of the California-Wisconsin Club.

Carl Spindler, '50, died last April in Waukegan, Ill. He served in World War II and taught school in Waukegan.

William Erdman, '50, died in September. He served in the Army Air Corps in World War II. Erdman retired from teaching in 1979. In 1981, he moved to Sayner, Wis., to become a caretaker at Camp Highlands.



Renee Petit, '89, Riverside, Ill., died last May when the vehicle she was driving was hit by a drunk driver in Lincoln County. She graduated in 1989 with majors in math and dance and for four years taught dance, math and theater arts at Riverside-Brookfield High School in Riverside.

1940s

Mary Juetten Cotter, '48. Margaret Swanson, '48, of Tomahawk, Wis.

John Brosseau, '47, died in Racine, Wis., at the age of 76. He served with the U.S. Army in World War II. Brosseau taught elementary school in Racine and served as principal of two schools until his retirement in 1980.

Louis Posny, '46, died last March. Ida Tjepkema, '46, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., died last February at the age of 80. She taught for 42 years before retiring in 1977. Edward Denk '45, died in July

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Juanita (Leubner) Hruska, '44, died in July in Green Bay. She worked as a substitute teacher in the Green Bay area.

Josephine Boyer, '43, died in June at the age of 71. She worked as manager of the Rice Clinic in Stevens Point until her retirement in 1968.

Peter Terzyinski, '42, Rhinelander, Wis., died at the age of 78. He was elected to the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame for his basketball prowess. During World War II Terzyinski served in Italy and Africa. He was clerk of Oneida County Circuit Court until his retirement in 1982.

Edward Giese, '42. Marie Boelter, '42.

Margaret (Murrish) Brown, '42, died in March of 1995.

Lorena Bartel, '41, died last May in Oshkosh, Wis. She taught in various schools in Wisconsin until 1975 and was active in many education and community associations.



Heidi Pieterick, '89, died in August at the age of 29 after a two-year battle with breast cancer. She was originally from Independence, Wis. After graduating from UWSP with a degree in art, she worked as a graphic artist in Milwaukee. Friends wrote that Pieterick touched many people during her five years on campus and that her strength and perseverence through hard times were an inspiration to them.

Philip Anderson, '41, River Falls, Wis., died last March at the age of 76. During World War II he served as a crytographer. He taught at UW-River Falls from 1948 until his retirement in 1984. Harvey Neal Brown, '40, died in

1930s

Dorothy Clark Kimball, '39, of Wausau, Wis.

Veryl Grosnick, '36.

February.

Emma (Gosse) Rusch, '36, died last March at her home in Appleton, Wis., at the age of 87. She taught school in Seymour and was an active member of Emmanuel United Methodist Church.

Dorothy Engel, '35, Stoughton, Wis., died last May at the age of 76. She taught in rural schools in Shawano and Oconto counties and in Beloit.

Ora Grant, '34, died in June in Kiel, Wis. She taught at schools in Manitowoc County and Port Washington and served as principal in Baraboo.

John Murgatroyd, '34, died in September at his home in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. He started a real estate business in 1946 and constructed the Ridges Golf Course and restaurant in 1963. Murgatroyd was also a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church.

Myrtle Diestelkamp, '33, died last February at her home in Aurora, Ill. She worked for the U.S. Civil Service until her retirement in 1975.

Russell Atwood, '33, of Belvidere, Ill.



Robert Van Raalte, '32, of Madison, died last May at the age of 82. He served with the United States Army during World War II and was later employed by the State Department of Public Instruction.

Agnes Gaffney Wrzesinski, '32, Wisconsin Dells, Wis., died in October at the age of 85. She worked at Riverview Curios and was active in the St. Cecilia's Mission Society.

Joseph Frank Kraus, '32, Appleton, Wis.

Ernest Albert, '32, died last May at the age of 83. He farmed in Marshfield and Unity, Wis., and later worked for Marshfield Book and Stationery.

Greg Charlesworth, '31, died in December in New London, Wis. He taught and coached in New London schools until his retirement in 1972. In 1986 he was inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame.

Ethel May (Wicke) Frisbie, '31, of Oconto Falls, Wis., died in August.

Evelyn (Sivertson) Schwantes, '30, died in August in Neillsville, Wis., where she had lived since her marriage to Donald Schwantes. She worked as a substitute teacher and at Memorial Hospital. Schwantes helped organize the Neillsville Cub Scouts and Job's Daughters.

Ruth Burmeister, '30, died in December of 1995 in Madison. She taught for more than 20 years in rural and grade schools in Wisconsin. Burmeister, who received many writing awards, was also a genealogist.

1920s

William Frederick Marsh, '28, died last March in Madison.
Marsh spent his life in Wisconsin schools as a teacher, assistant principal and principal. He served as executive secretary of the Southern Wisconsin Education Association for 27 years.

Ethel Ann Paukert, '27.

Lila Jensen, '27, died in December in Waukegan, Ill. She lived in Waupaca, Wis., until 1944.

Nona Replogle, '25, died last April at her home in King, Wis. She played the organ at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King for 55 years.

Leading edge teaching and learning

Chancellor Thomas F. George has coined a phrase that accurately describes what UWSP is all about—"Leading edge teaching and learning." In addition to being academically prepared to pursue exciting careers, UWSP graduates possess a foundation of skills and knowledge which support educational goals selected in a recent campuswide survey. Some of the desired goals are to prepare for employment, develop the ability to think clearly, increase desire for self-directed learning, and enhance self-understanding.

UWSP programs of study are carefully crafted so that liberal arts requirements cover a broad range. The professional preparatory courses also are designed to reinforce the concepts essential to liberal learning. A UWSP leading edge education gives our students appreciation for their heritage and provides them with vision for the future.

Fall review

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Men's cross country

For 15 years, Pointer men's cross country coach Rick Witt has been grooming and pushing his program to the top. In 1996, the team nearly reached that pinnacle after winning the WSUC title for the first time in 15 seasons and then capping off an outstanding year with a close third place finish at the NCAA Division III National Meet. Chad Johnson won the WSUC Meet and then led UWSP with an All-American effort at nationals. Witt, who two weeks earlier won WSUC

Coach of the Year honors, was named the Regional and National Men's Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Women's cross country

Some nagging injuries and inconsistent running led the Pointer women's cross country team to a bit of a down season. The squad ran to a somewhat disappointing fifth place finish at the WWIAC meet, but then closed out the season on a positive note with a strong eighth place ending at the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional. Good things are expected from this young squad in the very near future.



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Chad Peplinski, '96, recorded his first compact disc, *Numb*, with his progressive alternative band, Edge. Amy (Bennett) Stieber, '96, a speech therapist with Cerebral Palsy Inc., works with children from birth to 3 years. She lives in Green Bay with her husband, Joseph. Katherine M. Hine, '96, interned at the White House last summer. She

the White House last summer. She is at Georgetown University studying for a master's degree in public policy.

Steven Vandervest, '96, works as an account executive for Laser Pros International. He currently resides in Madison.

Amy (Steigerwald) Heyroth, '96, married Matt Heyroth, '93, on August 10, 1996. They reside in Wittenberg, Wis.

Amy Rae Chagnon-Crowe, '96, Madison, is a marketing and public relations assistant at Cuna Credit Union.

JoAnn (Grunwald) Kramer, '96, currently resides in Weyauwega, Wis. She works at Hillshire in the quality control department and is raising her three children.

Amy Loomans, '95, recently opened Great Expectations Coffee House in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis. She said that she wanted to create a gathering place where people of all ages could feel welcome. Great Expectations features local art and offers books and games for its customers to enjoy.

Jeffrey Bord, '95, of East Troy, Wis., is project coordinator with the Wisconsin Waterfowl Association, a non-profit, conservation organization. Teresa (Dziewiontkoski) Geurts, '95, is living in Menasha, Wis., and working for the Menn Law Firm. She married Adam Geurts in September, 1996. He is an electrical trainee with Bissing Electric. Stacey Kidd, '95, is membership coordinator with the Government Finance Officers Association, while she is living in Chicago pursuing a master's degree in media management at Columbia College. Karen Mattoon, '95, is an environmental specialist with the Independence Mining Company,

mining and exploration company and a large gold producer. **Troy Edwards**, '95, and his wife, **Joanne (Van Kirk)**, '94, both teach in the Shawano, Wis., School

Inc. in Elko, Nev. Her company is a

Joanne (Van Kirk), '94, both teach in the Shawano, Wis., School District. They live in Shawano and have one child. Susan Tesarik, '95, Fond du Lac,

Susan Tesarik, '95, Fond du Lac, Wis., is project specialist for the Fond du Lac River Watershed Project of the Fond du Lac Land Conservation Dept. The project is part of a Wisconsin program designed to clean up and protect bodies of water and provide financial and technical help to landowners.



Regina Stodola, '95, was crowned Miss Midwest in May and won third runner-up in the Miss Wisconsin contest in June. She is a music teacher with the Montello, Wis., School District and lives in Wautoma, Wis.

Jason Hinze, '95, of Siren, Wis., was biking coast to coast last summer to raise money for the American Cancer Society, motivated by relatives and friends with cancer. Giving up his usual summer job with the DNR, he began his trek from Bar Harbor, Maine and biked an average of 75 miles a day. The highlight of the first half of the trip came in Monroeville, Ind., where he was greeted by nearly the entire town and invited to stay in the community center.

Linda Jordan, '95, is a Peace Corps volunteer teaching science at a rural secondary school in Lesotho, South Africa. Prior to her Peace Corps work, she lived in Manawa, Wis., and assisted supervisors at Waupaca County Industries, a workshop for mentally handicapped

Jean-Louise Van Drisse, '95, was married to Michael Turner, '94, on October 14, 1995.

Lisa Frymark, '95, a marketing assistant for Allcom of Wisconsin in Milwaukee, hopes to find a job in writing.

Helen (Rackow) Johannes, '72, '95, is the English department chair at Columbus High School in Marshfield, Wis. Her husband Richard, '70, is a soil scientist with NRCS.

Sharon Heinz-Tupa, '91, '95, is a reading teacher for the Southern Door County School District. She lives in Sturgeon Bay, Wis., with her husband, David, '89, who teaches at Gibraltar High School in northern Door County.

Katharine Hager, '95, received the 1996 Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award from the state of Hawaii. Hager will be given a cash stipend and a four-day trip to Washington D.C. where she will be honored at an awards dinner. She teaches science at Waipahu Middle School in Aiea, Hawaii. In the fall, Hager will begin graduate study at the University of Hawaii.

Ken Lassa, '94, is living in Munich Germany, and is an intern for the Ciutura Trade Company.

Wendy Bredow, '94, is employed as a park ranger with the National Park Service, at the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. Her duties include visitor and resource protection, search and rescue operations, emergency medical services, patrol boat operations, and law enforcement. She lives in Bayfield, Wis.



Todd Wohlt, '94, a graphic artist with Perfecseal in Oshkosh, Wis., won the Ward Foundation Museum World Championship for woodcarving last April in Ocean City, Md. The winning entry was of an American kestrel, a small falcon. He won the world championship in 1990 and remains the youngest artist ever to win this award. He lives in Neenah, Wis., with his wife, Julie.

Angela Houk, '94, is a senior at New Tribes Bible Institute in Waukesha, Wis., in the first phase of missionary training. She is also assistant youth director for the Milwaukee Rescue Mission. She lives in Waukesha. Steve Martin, '94, appeared in and directed Stage-Rite Productions' "First Night" at the Brigade Auditorium in Neenah, Wis. Stage-Rite Productions is the brainchild of Steve and a college classmate.

Adriane Fang, '94, has joined Doug Varone and Dancers in New York City. She was chosen from among 400 dancers who auditioned for the company.

Peter Polansky, '94, Lake Bluff, Ill., is technical support representative for Enterprise Systems in Wheeling, Ill.

Robert Beauvais, '94, New Berlin, Wis., works as a senior lab technician for Nordberg. Mark Fritsche, '94, is an executive

Mark Fritsche, '94, is an executive officer with the 17th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Co. of the U.S. Army Bomb Squad at Fort Campbell, Ky. His company is responsible for destroying or rendering safe, conventional, chemical, nuclear and improvised explosive devices. He lives in Clarksville, Tenn.

Nicole (James) McGath, '94, married Eric McGath, '95, who is now working for Indiana State University. The couple resides in Terre Haute, Ind. Scott Swid, '93, an associate

Scott Swid, '93, an associate attorney with the Daubert Law Firm of Wausau, Wis., lives in Mosinee, Wis., with his wife, Jodi. Michelle Janquart, '93, is manager

of MGL Fitness, Inc. in Appleton, Wis. She was supervisor at UWSP's fitness center.

Kent Pierce, '93, a student at

Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Mo., is pursuing a master of divinity degree. His wife, Jeannette (Gaston), '95, is managing an educational book and toy store in St. Louis while he studies to become a Lutheran pastor.

Wendy (Mraz) Fischer, '93, is office manager for Alpine Plumbing and Heating and lives in Salida, Colo., with her husband, James, '93. They have both worked for the U.S. Forest Service in Colorado and Environmental Consultants, Inc. in California. James is a forestry technician with Colorado State Forest Service.

Sean Marsan, '93, Bethesda, Md., is working for the Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Daniel Retzki, '93, a social studies teacher in the Mosinee, Wis., School District, is engaged to Nicole Zabel, '96. He is a co-owner of Graffitis Bar and Grill on the Square in Stevens Point.

Shannon Loecher, '93, is the assistant director of marketing and fund-raising for the women's athletic department at the University of Minnesota.

Michelle (Doberstein) Ring, '93 is a 3rd and 4th grade teacher at the Hillel Academy in Milwaukee. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in administration/principalship and a master's in director of instruction. She was married in 1995 and lives with her husband in Milwaukee.

Kathy Nelson, '93 and her husband Eric, '91, reside in Algoma, Wis., with their son. Eric teaches science and coaches basketball and baseball at Algoma High School. Kathy teaches preschool and tutors developmentally disabled students. Gino Antoniak, '92, Milwaukee, is a teacher, wrestling coach and football coach at Milwaukee James

Madison High School.

Michelle (Cegielski) Czaplinski,
'92, an underwriter with Delta
Dental Plan of Wisconsin in Stevens
Point, lives in Custer, Wis., with her
husband, Stephen.

Carolyn Kratz, '92, a probation and parole agent with the state of Wisconsin, lives in Stevens Point with her husband, Arden.

Gary Wautier, '92, lives in Westland, Mich., and is pursuing a Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Jeff Hamill, '92, is attending Logan Chiropractic College in St. Louis, Mo., and plans to practice in Wisconsin following graduation in August.

Jennifer (Waniger) Endries, '92, is a Spanish speaking customer service representative for Schneider National Inc. in Green Bay. Todd Zwirschitz, '92, married Julie Thomas on May 27, 1995. Judy (Kroening) Walbruck, '92, is a claims representative with National Farmers Union Insurance, and her husband, Brad Walbruck, '96, is a billing and reconciliation coordinator at United Health Care. They reside in Eden Prairie, Minn. Mark E. Robinson, '92, is a civil engineering technician for American Engineering in Phoenix, Ariz. His wife, Paige (Livingston) Robinson, is an account manager at Discover Card Services. Their daughter was

born in April, 1996.

Stephanie (Sus) Armstrong, '92, is a speech/language pathologist in the Sun Prairie, Wis., Area Schools.

Her husband, Tony, is a carpenter and karate instructor.

Brad Foss, '92, married Karla Kawatski last June in Holmen, Wis. He works as an environmental biologist at Dairyland Power Cooperative.

Terri Duray, '92, teaches art in the New Lisbon and Mauston, Wis., school districts. She and her husband, Doug, have two children. Colin Hintz, '92, Bay City, Mich., is the quality manager of an automotive component coating company in Bridgeport, Mich. In 1995 he earned his master's degree in educational counseling at Long Island University, N.Y.

Jennifer Smith, '92, is working at a mining site in Juneau, Alaska. She is planning to save enough money to buy lakefront property and build a log cabin in Wisconsin.

Mary (Secord) Mayer '92, is

commissioned in the U.S. Navy and is the supervisor of the blood bank at Naval Medical Center in San Diego. In March, 1996, she was promoted from ensign to lieutenant. Lisa Hartwig, '92, and Philip Bush, '92, reside in Shorewood, Wis. Lisa is an advertising manager at the Palette Shop Inc. and Philip is the executive vice president of Bliffert Lumber & Fuel Co.

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David Burchardt, '91, earned the 1995/96 Outstanding Educator of the Year award from Waupun, Wis., High School. He teaches biology, anatomy, botany and zoology, coaches football and track and field and is an alcohol and drug abuse counselor.

Tyler Walker, '91, Columbus, Wis., is the field director for Chamberlain Research Consultants in Madison. Kathleen Theisen, '91, Madison, won a piano performance competition in Milwaukee, sponsored by the MacDowell Club. She is a music teacher and is writing a college level piano textbook.

Ken Roix, '91, is an acrylic technician with AAMPRO. He lives in Las Vegas, Nev., with his wife,

Jodi (Bodenheimer), '92, who is an English as a second language instructor with the Clark County School District.

Beth (Luczak) Zerfas, '91, is a client relations representative with Manpower. She lives in Findlay, Ohio, with her husband Eric. Terri Treptow, '91, is an account executive for Cellular One, Wausau. Patrick and Janine (Sorgatz) Militzer, '91, reside in Waukesha, Wis. Pat is a supervisor for Frontier Technologies and Janine is a childcare provider for Growing Places. Zita Ruediger, '91, worked as an intern/set production assistant on Jay Schillinger's film "The Marksman." The movie, shot in Wausau, Wis., centers around a disgraced major league pitcher returning to his

hometown.

Cully Swansen, '90, Minneapolis, Minn., co-produced and played bass on the album, "Watercolor of Brazil." Swansen combined original recordings of Brazilian music and the talent of the music group Mandala. He played in the university's jazz ensembles. Kim Fenske, '90, teaches history and government and is yearbook adviser at Oconto Falls High School. He was a 1994 candidate for Wisconsin State Assembly and 1996 candidate for Brown County Circuit Judge. He has announced his candidacy for Wisconsin State Assembly, 89th District. John Morris, '90, is a hydrogeologist with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection. He lives in

Todd Van Order, '90, is Wisconsin Independent Schools Athletic Association Director of Sports Activities. Former general manager for the minor league Kenosha Kroakers Baseball Club in 1994, he also worked with the Wausau Woodchucks in 1993-94. Valerie (Zager) Gengler, '90, teaches at St. Bernadette School in Oak Creek, Wis. She married Mark Gengler in June of 1996. He is a business manager for Boucher Group. They live in Milwaukee. Tammy (Witter) Nigam, '90, and her husband are working for two years for Motorola in Delhi, India, and will return to the U.S. in June, 1998

Sun Prairie, Wis.

John Clark, '90, is the marketing communications coordinator for McHugh Freeman of Waukesha, Wis. McHugh Freeman develops warehouse and distribution center management software.

Jeffrey Barth, '90, is a food activity manager for the Army and

activity manager for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

Scott Langteau, '90, is developing software for Dreamworks SKG. He writes characters and plot lines for Cooper McQue Breaks Through, a CD-ROM entertainment game. He lives in California.

Distinguished Alumnus Award

The UWSP Alumni Association is in search of people of distinction for consideration as potential recipients of the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Criteria for nomination include:

- Outstanding professional achievement
- 2. Contributions to society/civic involvement
- 3. Achievements bringing honor and distinction to UWSP4. Recognition and reputation extending beyond the immediate environments in which s/he lives and works
- Continued involvement with UWSP and/or its Alumni Association
- 6. Alumni status at UWSP; degree(s) received or classes attended.

Mail this form, a letter stating the nominee's qualifications and the names and addresses of two people we may contact for more information about the nominee to: Alumni Relations, UW-Stevens Point, 208 Old Main, Stevens Point, WI 54481 or fax to (715) 346-2561.

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Claire (Williams) Weslaski, '89, is a photographer with the Case Corporation. Her husband, Kevin, '91, is a medical technologist with All Saints Health Care. They live in Racine with their two children. Jeff Gut, '89, has his own business in the consulting field, following several years in the insurance industry. He is manager of American Express Property Casualty and lives in Little Chute, Wis., with his wife, Dawn.

Theri (Buerger) Wasniewski, '89, is employed at Central Lakes College in Brainerd, Minn. She lives in Deerwood, Minn., with her husband, Lance, and their son. Dave and Kate Panetti, '89, live in Bloomington, Ill., with their two children. Dave teaches social studies at Prior Lake High School, and Kate works for HealthEast, a group of health care companies. Dean Michael Kovalski, '89, played a fastpitch softball pitcher in Jay Schillinger's film "The Marksman." The movie, shot in Wausau, centers around a disgraced major league pitcher returning to his hometown. Kovalski spent some time in Florida working for the television series, "Miami Vice," and now works at the YMCA in Port Edwards, Wis. Patricia Nennig, '89, is teaching

8th grade at St. Paul Catholic
School in Milwaukee. She lives in
Whitefish Bay, Wis., with her
husband, Todd, and their two dogs.
Fran Maas, '89, and Chris Moore,
'81, were married in May, 1994.
Chris is chief financial officer for
Prairie Nursery, Inc. Fran is a
market research analyst for a
pharmaceutical company. They
reside in Milwaukee.

Shane Totten, '88, and Gary Nilsen, '77, created "Da Turdy Point Buck" and have recently made a sequel to the hit song, "Turdy Point Buck II, Da Sequel." The two form the Group Bananas at Large and put out novelty albums about northern Wisconsin.

Steven Liskens, '88, is an environmental planner with the Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin. He writes, "Just wanted everyone to know I'm still alive and to the CNR Germany trip students of '86: watch out for the vino!"

Dave Dall, '88, taught kindergarten at the Pine Lake School in Rhinelander, Wis. since 1990 and is now touring Wisconsin on a state library project singing and telling stories to children of all ages with messages about keeping the environment clean, healthy meals, and being kind to one another. Greg Diekroeger, '88, assistant director of campus activities at UWSP, received the Wisconsin Regions National Association for Campus Activities highest honor, the Robert W. Busch Award, for exemplary service to the association and its members.

Gil Brzezinski, '88, assistant vice president for sales with Starfine Inc., lives in Oak Creek, Wis., with his wife, Kris, and their two children.

Mark Jacoboski, '88, who is managing a network engineering team with MCI Telecommunications, lives in Cameron Park, Calif., with his wife, Andre. Prior to joining MCI, he served four years in the U.S. Army as a communications officer.

Michael and Kim (Gorenc)
Sebastian, '88, were married in
October, 1994. Michael is a clinical
network associate with CNR Health
Inc. Kim is a district urban forestry
coordinator for the Wisconsin DNR.
Daniel Stratton, '88, teaches math
at Mosinee, Wis., High School. He
previously taught in Belcourt, N.D.
Stratton married Belinda Frommeyer
in July, 1989.

Kristin Kwak, '88, works part time at the Milwaukee Heart Institute as a nutrition coordinator. She and her husband and their son live in Wauwatosa, Wis. Gina (Jorgensen) Childs, '87, an urban forester with the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, lives in Highland Park, Ill., with her husband Gregory, a teacher.

Elaine J. Cole, '87, has completed graduate work focusing on a marketing plan for an environmental education, cross-cultural program for K-12 teachers to Botswana, Africa. She is employed with the University of Minnesota-Duluth as an environmental education specialist and lives in Duluth. She recently enjoyed biking in Zimbabwe which was made possible through a wildlife safari coordinated in Botswana.

Tina Durocher-Murphy, '87, is human resource manager with Morton International, Inc. She lives in Greenville, S.C., with her husband, Michael, who is a captain with the U.S. Marine Corp.

Kenneth Alwin, '87, St. Louis Park, Minn., is manager of technology user services for Dorsey and Whitney LLP law firm in Minneapolis, Minn. He works with the main office in Minneapolis and 16 regional offices worldwide.

Mary Benepe-Sytsma, '87, lives in Sheridan, Wyo., with her husband

Mary Benepe-Sytsma, '87, lives in Sheridan, Wyo., with her husband and two children. She has been a grade school teacher in Sheridan for six years. She also is active in community theater and singing groups.

Chris Dorsey, '87, has been named

Chris Dorsey, '87, has been named director of publishing and communications for Ducks Unlimited, the 700,000 member international wildlife conservation organization. He has served as executive editor for the organization's magazine and has won awards for articles and photographs in national magazines. Paul Roth, '87, in his 10th year of teaching high school chemistry at Baraboo Senior High School, lives in Baraboo, Wis., with his wife, Sue. **Barbara Samardich**, '86, is happy he's a UWSP graduate. "My life is so much fuller and more rewarding today because of it," she writes. She is director of social services with the Cornell Area Care Center and lives in Altoona, Wis., with her husband, George, who is owner and administrator of the care center. Katy (Mack) McNairy, '86, is a recreation therapist with Osteopathic Medical Center in Fort Worth, Texas, where she lives with her

husband, Michael Mary Ann Van Slyke, '86, teaches social science at Northcentral Technical College in Wausau, Wis. She was honored by the Northcentral Vocational Association as "Outstanding Vocational Teacher for 1995-96. She is also a recipient of the school's Robert Altman Award for Excellence in Teaching. John Gerow, '86, is assistant director of residence life at UW-Green Bay. His wife, Karen (Miller), '86, is a technical support specialist with Nielsen, A.C. They live in Green Bay.

Paul Chilsen '86, owns his own production company, "Way Out West," in Kenosha, Wis. His film, Gross Ratings, a black comedy which examines the effects of tabloid television on a political family, was recently named the Best of the Fest at the 38th Annual Rochester (N.Y.) International Film Festival. It also received the Golden Shoestring Award from the festival and a National Telly Award. Lisa (Tonn) Berth, '86, is teaching 2nd grade in the Marinette, Wis., Public School District. She lives in Peshtigo, Wis., with her husband John, '86, and their two sons. John is president of Berth and Rosenthal

Funeral Home.

Patricia (Connell) Marion, '86, has completed her 10th anniversary of owning and instructing dance at Tricia's Academy of Dance in Marshfield, Wis., where she lives with her husband, Jon, and their three children.

Maureen (Courchane) Peters, '85, is a registered nurse with St. Luke's Medical Center in Milwaukee, and her husband, Jeffery '84, is forestry

foreman with Wright Tree Service. They live in Waukesha, Wis., with their three children.

Mary (Cram) Ebner, '85, is with Book World in Sturgeon Bay, Wis. Previously, Mary set up and implemented wellness programs for the developmentally disabled and coached high school swimming. She lives in Sturgeon Bay with her husband, Mark, one son and two stepsons.

Peter Hansen, '85, teaches physics at Woodstock High School in Woodstock, Ill., where he lives with his wife, Martha.

LuAnn Schutz, '84, and her husband, Jeffrey, live in Osceola, Wis They were married in November, 1994

Mike Schmitt, '84, is the head varsity football coach and a teacher in the Waupun School District. He and his wife, Barb, live in Waupun, Wis., with their two sons.

Cindy (Brzezinski) Prior, '84, is on leave from teaching elementary school in Buffalo, Minn. She resides in Maple Grove, Minn., with her husband, Paul, and their son.

Donna Plucienik, '84, is employed

her husband, Paul, and their son.

Donna Plucienik, '84, is employed as a horticulturist on the grounds crew at the Morton Arboretum, a 1700-acre outdoor museum of woody plants, in Lisle, Ill.

Dennis Giaimo, '84, teaches physical education at Einstein Middle School in the Appleton, Wis., School District. He was inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of

Fame in 1995.

Laura Gentile, '84, '86, would love to hear from alumni friends. She is an environmental scientist with the U.S. EPA in San Francisco, Calif., working specifically in the water division as an inspector. Her home address is 2301 Francisco #103, San Francisco, CA. 94123.

Kathi Bennett, '83, was recently named women's basketball coach at the University of Evansville. In 1996 she coached the UW-Oshkosh women's basketball team to an undefeated season and the NCAA Division III championship. She coached the Titans to the NCAA tournament six times during her seven-year tenure at Oshkosh. Bennett is the daughter of former UWSP men's basketball coach Dick Bennett.

Eric Parker, '83, joined Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Associates, Inc. of Milwaukee, in 1991 and is a senior wetland scientist in environmental services for the engineering firm.

Byron Goetsch, '83, a conservation warden with the Wisconsin DNR, was honored as Outstanding Conservation Warden by the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association or his commitment to sportsmen in the field of law enforcement. He is also the 1995 Haskell Noyes Conservation Warden of the Year. He lives in Appleton, Wis., with his wife, Denise, and their two sons. Richard Grayson, '83, is human resources recruiter for Computer Discount Warehouse in Buffalo Grove, Ill. He lives in Libertyville, Ill., with his wife, Susanne, who is a contract specialist with Abbott Laboratories. He would like to hear from Hansen Hall residents at P.O. Box 313, Libertyville, IL 60048. Dennis Stamstad, '83, has been with the Boy Scouts of America for 12 years. As district director of the Buffalo Trace Council, he is responsible for summer camp activities, fund raising, and developing opportunities for young people. He lives in Newburgh, Ind., with his wife, Nancy. Karen (Mytas) Newbern, '83, is a naturalist with the Clayton County

Conservation Department In Elkader, Iowa. She and her husband, Bruce, recently had a third daughter. She asks, "Where are you, Julia, Linda, and Val?"

Michael P. Whittington, '83, is a project manager and environmental scientist with Delta Environmental Consultants Inc. He is responsible

for environmental assessments.

managing voluntary investigation

and cleanup projects and assisting clients with environmental projects. He lives in St. Anthony, Minn.

Scott Hygnstrom, '83, an associate professor of forestry, fisheries and wildlife at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, has an extension-teaching appointment in the area of wildlife damage management. He

lives in Davey, Neb.
Victoria (Tori) Boers, '83, a land use planner with the Metropolitan Council in St. Paul, lives in Stillwater, Minn.

Steve Radlinger, '83, has developed a web page for a service he calls "Resumes With Attitude." His Internet site is www.resumeswithattitude.com.

Conrad Field, '83, and his wife, Carmen (Loughlin), '85, own Zegrahm Expeditions, an Alaskan coastal journey business, and Northcountry Nature, a natural history publication business in Homer, Alaska. During winter months, they lecture and work as naturalists on board tourist expedition ships in Antarctica and South America.

Vic Ziolkowski, '82, is playing bass for a country band called the Derailers based in Austin, Texas. Ziolkowski and two other musicians formed the band about three years ago. They quickly gained popularity in Austin and put out their debut album on the Watermelon Records label.

Brian Rieselman, '82, formerly a legislative assistant at the Capitol in Madison, is now writing full time. He has written a suspense-horror novel, Where Darkness Sleeps, published in paperback by St. Martin's Press of New York. He is currently working on a second book. William Hoffmann, '82, is the newly-ordained minister at West Hebron, N.Y., United Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, Valerie, '82, have two daughters. Mary Jo (Wamser) Bowman, '82,

a physician in the emergency department of Columbus Children's Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, lives in Winchester, Ohio with her husband, Kevin, and their two sons.



Greg Brooker, '82, recently left a large law firm to become City Attorney in the city of Bloomington, Minnesota's third largest city. His wife Valerie Marquardt, '82, '85, celebrated her 10th year as a speech pathologist at Mercy Hospital in Coon Rapids, Minn. They live in Minneapolis with their daughter. William Cole Storm, '82, recently obtained ownership of Agassiz Environmental Systems, Inc., in Chokio, Minn.,

Paul Grayson (Gracyalny), '82, is a cruise director for the M.S. Monarch of the Seas Royal Caribbean cruise ship. He is responsible for all entertainment and activities provided on the vessel. Rick Christofferson, '81, is a budget and policy analyst for the Wisconsin Department of Corrections in Madison.

Ricky Erway, '80, is a digital initiatives officer with Research Libraries Group in Mountain View, Calif. Formerly with the Library of Congress and the American Memory Program, he now helps research libraries maximize new technologies. He lives in San Jose, Calif. Kathleen Halme, '80, published a book of poetry, Every Substance Clothed, that won the Balcones Poetry Prize for "the best book of poetry published in English in 1995." Her chapbook, The Everlasting Universe of Things, was selected by Edward Hirsch as winner of the 1994 North Carolina Writers' Network Harperprints Chapbook Competition. She received a National Endowment for the Humanities Grant and a Finnish Ministry of Education Scholarship. She and her husband, Alan Cordle, live in Wilmington, N.C. She is associate professor of English at the University of North Carolina at

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Bruce Holsclaw, '79, was promoted to sergeant with the Wisconsin State Patrol in Juneau County. A trooper since 1980, he lives in Mauston, Wis., with his wife, Hollee, and their six children.

John Steuber, '79, assistant state director and supervisory wildlife biologist for USDA's Animal Damage Control in Sacramento, lives in Carmichael, Calif., with his wife, Leanna

Jodi Engum Kryshak, '79, is the executive director of the Lettie Jensen Memorial Community Center in Amherst, Wis. For 10 years, she was general manager of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra and director of the UWSP Conservatory for Creative Expression.

Cindy Davis, '79, and her husband, Terry, own the new Rocky Rococo's in the University Plaza, north of UWSP. The former location at Division Street in Stevens Point was a popular spot in the 1980s for families as well as UWSP students. Terry Jordan, '79, is Wisconsin Trail's coordinator in the northern portion of the state. He is responsible for evaluating existing trails for possible linkage to or inclusion in the state trail system and coordinating communication between the department's Parks Bureau and other state and national trails associations. He is also liaison to the federal Ice Age Trail and North Country National Scenic Trails system. He lives in Minong, Wis.

Kathleen Depies, '79, lives in Menasha, Wis., with her husband, Keith, and their son. She is employed with the Menasha School District.

Cindy Lindau, '79, works as a stagehand at the Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, where she resides. She also has worked for the Guthrie Theatre and other semiprofessional theaters in the area. Bob Radtke, '79, pursuing a master's degree in public administration from the University of Oklahoma, is an information management specialist with the eighth Army of the U.S. Army stationed in Seoul, Korea

Mark Wegner, '79, is the associate principal at Bay Lane Middle School in Waukesha, Wis. He previously taught for 10 years in Waukesha and earned a master's degree in educational leadership from Marian College in 1992. Tom Magnuson, '79, is usually better known as Tom King, the name he uses on the air during the "Dave and Tom in the Morning" show on 94.7 WOFM in Wausau, Wis. He also serves as the news director for WOFM and manages the Wausau American Legion baseball program.

Sharon Anderson, '79, was selected as the 1996 Alumnus Honoris at the Clintonville, Wis., high school, the highest recognition given to Clintonville alumni. A wildlife artist specializing in the freehand air brush technique, she created 35 limited edition prints for Willow Creek Press. Since 1986 Anderson has been her own publisher and has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for wildlife through her work,.

Jack Wendler, '78, received the outstanding hunter education instructor award at the 55th Annual State Convention of the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association in Appleton, Wis. A certified hunter education instructor, he was recognized for his leadership and commitment in offering a separate bowhunting program to area youth. He and his wife, Gloria, live in Ripon, Wis.

Greg Neff, '78, and his wife, Gail, have been teaching in international schools overseas. They lived for three years in Niger, West Africa, three years in Nagoya, Japan, and are presently living in Uganda. Tim Bedore, '78, is earning his called "Vague but True," and has

living as a stand-up comedian. He produces a syndicated radio feature been a radio personality in Stevens Point, California and Texas. Jean Jacoby, '78, was named the

Thomas J. Bannan Endowed Chair in Engineering in Seattle University's School of Science and Engineering. In addition to teaching, as chair she will develop a research program involving undergraduate students and participate in conferences and workshops. She has taught at the university since 1991. Kevin Kirley, '77, is founder and director of MESA, a domestic violence treatment program for men in Shakopee, Minn. The organization was honored at the first annual "Always in Our Hearts" black tie gala, hosted by the Nicole Brown Simpson Charitable Foundation at the Disneyland Hotel Grand Ballroom. Kevin presented the program at the event. The Simpson Foundation was developed by Denise Brown, sister of Nicole, to fund organizations that shelter and protect women and children in the crisis of domestic violence. MESA is available for clients and professional providers.

Rhonda Groh, '77, gives private viola lessons. She is a mother of three and is involved in the Cub Scouts, the Girl Scouts, YWCA, PTA enrichment, and Sunday school programs. She lives with her husband Bill, an architect, in Huntington Woods, Mich. Diane (Krila) Stefanski, '76, owns United National Maplewood Real Estate Agency in Antigo, Wis., with

her husband, Eugene.

Steven Plue, '76, a Vietnam veteran, had six of the letters he wrote during the war included in a book, Voices From Vietnam published by the Wisconsin State Historical Society. The book contains letters, diaries and other first-person accounts from 92 Wisconsin Vietnam veterans. Plue's letters, written to his family, include his concern about training for the war and his experience of being wounded by enemy fire. "I no sooner got my helmet on when I received an AK round through my helmet and luckily it just creased my ear," Plue explained in correspondence home. For the past 19 years Plue has operated his own landscaping business in Fort Atkinson, Wis. Ric "Toby" Bares, '76, is the men's soccer coach and fitness center director at UW-Oshkosh. In 1994, Ric was voted National Coach of the Year for NCAA Div. III men's

Kathy Kinney, '77, plays Mimi Bobeck on "The Drew Carey Show," which airs Wednesdays at 8 p.m. central time, on ABC-TV. The robust, makeup-caked Mimi is the nemesis of Drew, the main character. Her face was on the cover of a fall issue of TV Guide. The role of Mimi is Kinney's first major one. Previously she played Ms. Goddard, the librarian, on "Newhart" and had small parts in the films "Arachnophobia,"

soccer. He lives in Oshkosh with

his wife, JoAnn.





"Scrooged," and "Parting Glances." Kinney has also put in guest appearances on "Seinfeld" and "Grace Under Fire." Her theatrical career began at UWSP as stage manager. Then, after performing in improvisation at comedy clubs in New York, her friend Bill Sherwood, cast her in the movie,"Parting Glances," which he wrote.

Jim Hamilton, '76, executive director of the Stevens Point Housing Authority, earned the 1996 Gaylord Nelson Poverty Warrior award from Community Action Program Services. The award recognizes individuals who help low-income families with poverty problems. Jim helped establish a Head Start center, a housing trust fund to promote low-income initiatives and closing cost assistance for first-time home buyers in Stevens Point.

Marc Van Nuys, '76, is a lieutenant colonel with the U.S. Air Force at the Material Command headquarters at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. Prior to these duties, he was judge advocate at Newark Air Force Base in Ohio. He received a juris doctor in 1980 at Wake Forest University School of Law, Winston-Salem, N.C. and a master of laws degree in labor law in 1992 at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. He and his wife, Kathleen, have two children.

Mary McComb, '76, assistant professor of communication at Dana College, Blair, Neb., enjoys working with Myrvin Christopherson, the president of Dana College, who was chair of the UWSP communication department when Mary was a student at UWSP.

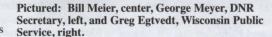
Richard Murawski, '76, is managing broker with ERA Lebovic Realty Group, Inc. of Chicago, Ill. He and his wife live in Chicago. Gary Karner, '76, was named commissioner of the Wisconsin State University Conference and Wisconsin Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The two conferences, which include the UW-System schools, merged into one this academic year. Previously, Karner was a compliance services representative for the NCAA. After completing his doctorate at UW-Madison in 1984, he was the school district director of athletics/activities in Woodland Park, Colo., until joining the NCAA staff. Terry Wolford, '75, earned a bachelor of science in geology from

UW-Green Bay in 1981 and has worked 15 years as a geologist for Baker Hughes in Scott, La. Tom Becker, '75, was honored by the Wisconsin DNRs' Conservation Congress in Rhinelander, Wis., as Wildlife Manager of the Year after 20 years in wildlife management. He is area wildlife manager for Kenosha, Racine and Walworth counties

John F. Duwell, '75, senior vice president of claims for West Bend Mutual Insurance Co., lives in West Bend, Wis., with his wife, Lynn. John Brusk, '74, is with the sales staff of the Falk Corporation, a manufacturer of industrial power transmission machinery, in New Orleans. Since he joined the company in 1974, he has served the Atlanta, Ga., region and Milwaukee.

Two islands were donated to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources by Wisconsin Public Service in honor of Bill Meier, 74. They were officially named "The Bill Meier Islands" in August.

Meier, a wildlife biologist in Lincoln and Marathon counties, recently retired as a result of a



debilitating case of Lyme disease.

The two islands, adjacent to one another, are located upstream from the U.S. Hwy. 51 bridge on the Wisconsin River south of Merrill. Meier was cited in May for his lifetime contributions including his work in restoring the wolf population in Lincoln County.

His brother, Tom Meier, '80, '73, is manager of Mead and McMillan Wildlife areas in Marathon County. He was cited in May for his efforts in making Mead one of the most productive public wetlands in Wisconsin.

Tom Halverson, '74, has been named Operations Manager at Royal Insurance in Charlotte, N.C. He is responsible for the collection of \$1 billion annually from 1000 agents

and brokers. Tom Kutter, '74, is maintenance supervisor with Green Bay Packaging and lives in Green Bay. William Sink, '74, a professional public speaker, is on the faculties of six universities. He currently resides in Walnut Creek, Calif. Ron May, '73, a licensed psychologist with a private practice at the Psychology Center, Madison, teaches at UW-Madison, and offers workshops and organizational consultations. He lives in Madison with his wife, Cathy, a registered nurse at UW Hospitals and Clinics. Wayne Edgerton, '73, Roseville, Minn., has served in various natural resources positions in Wisconsin, Wyoming and Minnesota. His wife, Bonnie Edgerton, '73, is a teacher's assistant in the Roseville School District.

Stan Skutek, '73, manages the Petit Manan National Wildlife Refuge which encompasses 5,500 acres in coastal Maine including 25 islands. It focuses on the management of maritime forest communities and coastal nesting seabird islands. James Mohr, '72, began his third consecutive six-year term as circuit court judge of Vilas County, Wis., last August. After graduating from UWSP with a degree in resource management, he attended law school

at UW-Madison. Carla (Derridinger) Omachinski, '72, is employed by St. Raphael Parish, Oshkosh, Wis., as art and environment coordinator. She creates liturgical art and is helping design the interior of the new St. Raphael Church. She lives in Oshkosh with her husband, David. Gregory Helbert, '72, is an account manager with Pinkerton Security and Investigations Co., the law enforcement and security program for General Motors in Detroit. Following graduation from the first 4-year ROTC class at UWSP, he spent 24 years with the U.S. Army, retiring at rank of lieutenant colonel. He lives in Canton, Mich. with his wife, Cindy and their two sons. Carol (Kincaid) Lamont, '72, would love to hear from Theta Phi Alpha sisters. She is a substitute teacher in Lake Havasu City, Ariz. For the past 15 years, she taught in the Parker, Ariz. School System. Carol and her husband, Eugene, live in Parker.

John Laehn, '72, is vice president of HMO operations in the Enterprise Group of Wausau Life Insurance Co., Wausau, Wis. He is responsible for HMO's in Wisconsin, California, Indiana and Michigan.

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JoAnn Gonnering, '72, is Elementary Teacher of the Year for 1995-96 in Stratford, Wis. She was nominated by a former student as well as many parents of second grade students who feel her teaching is "more than a job-it's a way of life." JoAnn lives in Spencer with her husband, Dennis. They have four children and one foster child. Claudia Trzebiatowski, '71, is a librarian in West Bend, Wis. Her daughter and son now attend UWSP. Ann Harmsen, '71, was awarded the Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching at State University of New York. She is a biology instructor at North Country Community College, Saranac, Lake, N.Y. Kris Russell, '71, has been coaching the UW-Whitewater women's volleyball team since 1981. She has amassed over 500 wins and was twice selected as the NCAA Coach of the Year by the American Volleyball Coaches Association. Under Russell's leadership, the Warhawks qualified for the NCAA DIII national tournament eight out of the last 10 years. In 1995 her team hosted the tournament and finished third, the best finish in Warhawk history. John Breneman, '71, has a doctorate from Dallas Theological Seminary and is academic dean, teacher and therapist with the Christian Counseling Institute in Grabo, Sweden. He also holds marriage and family counseling seminars in various schools and churches in Sweden and Denmark. His wife Judy (Broeking), '71, is a home language teacher with the Molndal School District. Dick Luebke, '71, is research program director for the Inland Fisheries Division of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, stationed at Heart of the Hills Research Station near Kerrville, Texas. Susan Herscher '71, Appleton, Wis., was selected for inclusion in the 14th edition of Who's Who in the World. She is employed by Fox Valley Technical College. Bill Meissner, '70, published his first book of prose, called Hitting into the Wind. The book, composed of 30 short stories on baseball, follows three books of poetry. Patricia Heller-Landfried, '70, is the 1996 Wisconsin School Psychologist of the Year. She is school psychologist for Cooperative Educational Service Agency #9 of Tomahawk. She was a school psychologist in Minnesota and Connecticut and served as director of psychological services at the New York League for the Hard of

Quynh-Hoa Nguyen, ("Queenie"), who studied at UWSP in the late 1960s, is the project director of the Vietnam Library Education Project at the School of Library and Information Science, The Catholic University of America.

She returned to UWSP last year to serve as guide and interpreter for Dr. Lien of the University of Ho Chi Minh. Lien, a poet, author and dean of postgraduate education in the school of education at Ho Chi Minh, is interested in educational exchanges between his campus and UWSP.

Queenie's initial exposure to UWSP came in 1967 in Vietnam

when she met President James Albertson and Dean Burdette Eagon. She served as an educational adviser and interpreter to American visitors who traveled to Vietnam on educational missions.

When Queenie came to UWSP, she was 34 years old. She lived in the residence halls with traditional-age students and "enjoyed the experience." As a longtime Girl Scout and Girl Scout leader, she says she was accustomed to being around young people and she's always been "young at heart." After leaving Stevens Point, Queenie went on to pursue further education. She earned a doctorate from The Catholic University in 1982. The Eagons were present for her commencement.

Robert Check, '63, has lived in Wasilla, Alaska, for 27 years. He travels throughout North America, and has never lived in Arkansas as stated in the last issue of *Pointer Alumnus*.

1960s

James Richardson, '69, tells his life story as a robust youngster entering the U.S. Navy at the age of 13, in his autobiography, Under Age Angel. He was discovered by the Navy, released from duty and proceeded to enter the U.S. Army at 14. The following 23 years included service with the 11th Airborne in the Philippines, the 77th Special Forces (Green Berets), the Korean War and in Germany during the Vietnam War. He pursued engineering and teaching while in the military and following retirement. His book was written for his grandchildren. Richardson lives in Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., with his wife, Mary Lou.

Jerry Gadamus, '69, has been named the 1996 Century Artist of the Year for Milwaukee's public television channel. Print rights for his winning entry will be used in a fund-raiser for the station. Recognized as a pioneer in freehand air brush technique, he received numerous awards and recognitions throughout the country. He makes his home in Stevens Point.



Kathy Akey, '68, was named Wisconsin Special Services Teacher of the Year. She is the Clintonville, Wis., School District's Media Coordinator. State Superintendent John Benson praised Akey's 21stcentury skills: "Getting students on the Internet and working with schools forming a distance learning network, Kathy Akey has pioneered technology for the future." In a letter of recommendation, Clintonville's mayor filled a page listing Akey's contributions to the city. She has been recommended for national recognition.

Thomas Frank, '67, has recently finished a 22-year career in the military, serving in active duty in Germany and in the reserves and national guard in Minnesota. He now is a science, health, and physical education instructor in Detroit Lakes, Minn.

Ronald Smolinski, '66, Cudahy, Wis., is a financial consultant with New York Life Insurance Company. A city councilman for 17 years, he is now president, thereby becoming the most senior member of the Cudahy City Council.

William Schenk, '66, was promoted to field director of the Midwest field area of National Park Service. He resides in Omaha, Neb.

Max Kopchinski, '65, is retired from teaching music, but remains active in the Stevens Point City Band since joining it 52 years ago. He taught private music lessons and also a few years at P.J. Jacobs High School, Rosholt High School and Pacelli High School. He has been a board officer for the band for more than 25 years. His wife, **Lorraine** (**Fossman**), '73, who is deceased, shared his love of music and was a member of the city band for 45 years. He has been a Barbershopper for 32 years. He lives in Stevens Point.

Chester Stroyny, '65, has retired after 30 years as midwest regional administrator for the Medicare and Medicaid program. He also worked with General Motors of Detroit on their corporate benefits staff and was in Washington, D.C. as a staff assistant for Congressman John E. Porter. Beginning his second career as an independent health care consultant, he is now advocating the interests of senior citizens and educating Medicare beneficiaries on the future of the program. He lives in Lake Forest, Ill. with his wife, Micki.

Robert Galecke, '64, is a partner with Pate Winters and Stone and lives in Dallas, Texas, with his wife, Jackie. From May through October, they operate The Red Barn Cottages, which they own in Ephraim, Wis., in Door County.

Cornelia Teske, '62, retired from 36 years of teaching in 1981 because of her husband's illness and has since substituted for elementary art and music classes. Her husband, son and grandson passed away in 1984. She was named homemaker of the year in 1990, and writes a column for *Keeping Current*.

Nathalie (Pierre) Steede, '61, is self-employed with her husband's business, Steede Office Equipment, in Appleton, Wis.

1950s

Robert Juracka, '58, recently retired from the Moraine Valley Community College, Palos Hills, Ill., where he was a professor of biology for 25 years and served as assistant dean. He was instrumental in the restoration of 45 acres of prairie on the campus. He and his wife, Louise, built a home on the Tomorrow River in Portage Co., Wis., where they engage in fly fishing and prairie restoration. John Miller Jr., '57, Neenah, Wis., retired in 1995 after working 30 years in human services. He has toured Germany, Austria and the Mediterranean and plans to continue traveling.

Donna Marie (Alderton) Klover, '50, recently retired. She taught in Beaver Dam, Wis., for a year in 1951, was a substitute teacher in San Diego, Calif., for two years in the



Curt Judd, '59, the owner of the C. Judd Tree Farms, Wisconsin Dells, Wis., has sold Christmas trees wholesale and retail since 1975. During the winters, he has worked on water hole projects sponsored by the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society. Judd used to hunt sheep in Arizona and described his adventures in his book, I Call Myself a Sheep Hunter. He also wrote Surgery '90, an account of his adjustment to life after removal of his larynx.

'50s, and then taught adult education at Iowa Tech in Sioux City, Iowa for five years in the '70s. At the age of 50 she completed a master's degree in counseling education at Portland State College, Portland, Ore., and worked as a career counselor until her retirement in 1992. She now resides in Beaverton, Ore. She has seven children and 16 grandchildren. Her husband passed away in 1988.

1940s

Alva (Thompson) Spengler, '43, taught in Waukesha, Wis., public schools from 1970-93. She continues to tutor students with reading deficiencies.

Elaine (Catlin) Blaettler, '43, retired in 1984 after 25 years of teaching at the LaMesa Spring Valley School District in Spring Valley, Calif. She volunteers as a special reading teacher and is working with her grandson's fourthgrade class.

Robert Menzel, '42, retired from his position as school social worker in the Minneapolis Public School District. He lives in White Bear Lake, Minn., with his wife, Emily, and their Siamese kitty, Chu Chu. They enjoy gardening at their cabin on the Snake River in central Minnesota plus hiking and fishing. They attended Robert's 50th and 55th high school reunions from P.J. High School in Stevens Point, in 1990 and 1995.

Laurel (LaValle) Manning, '40, is still educating people, although she retired from teaching after 25 years in Des Plaines, Ill. She has been painting and teaching local history at the Des Plaines Historical Society Museum. Her latest work is a 96-square-foot mural, a reproduction of

a 1930s original depicting one of Des Plaines' first greenhouses. Manning also painted other historical sites in her hometown, including Des Plaines Lumber and Coal and the Des Plaines River. Otto Shipla, '40, has written a book, *One-Room School Days*. He is retired from Indiana State University.

1930s

Grace Sievwright, '39, retired in 1981 after 39 years of teaching elementary school. She resides in Madison with her husband, John. Helene (Waterman) Okray, '34, has retired from 32 years of substitute teaching in the Monona Grove School District in Monona, Wis. She also taught in Birnamwood, Wis., and Port Edwards, Wis., schools. Two of her grandchildren are Elizabeth Okray, '95 and James Okray '96.

1910s

Edna (Alley) Mintonye, '14, was born in Dunbar, Wis., in 1896, skipped high school, and graduated from Stevens Point Normal at the age of 19. She taught school for 10 years in Wisconsin, Iowa and Oregon, then was married to Clare J. Mintonye in 1924. They settled in Alpine, Ore., where she taught school past retirement age. She has five grandchildren, seven greatgrandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She now is a resident of Whispering Pines Nursing Home in Alpine.

Potpourri

1894-1994 1994 1994

A stained glass window was unveiled during inauguration weekend at the University Center. Artist Jeff Vandeloop, Amherst, used the university seal as a model, adding an outside ring of yellow, symbolizing the closed community of a university. A triangle breaks through the circle at the four o'clock position, representing students leaving the university after four years. A sunrise suggests graduates finding their places in the world. At the six o'clock position, a dollar sign symbolizes the students' financial commitments to education.

Anderson Room dedication held

The late John Anderson, longtime news director at UWSP was memorialized when the former Communication Room in the University Center was dedicated in his name last fall.

Profits from the sale of his book, Samples from a County Sampler, go to the John Anderson Spirit of Community Endowment, which funds historical restoration at UWSP and university-community projects. The book may be purchased from the UWSP Foundation.

A seven-member committee worked with designer Rebecca Greenwell Kaegi, a 1996 graduate of UWSP, to refurbish the room with a journalistic theme. The furniture from Anderson's office and framed versions of his "County Samplers" highlight the decor.

The facility will serve as a campus focal point for the press and other communication-related groups.



Chancellor Tom George, left, with Joe Passineau, right, joined 55 Winneconne sixth-graders in a pond study at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station. Activities led by practicum students included dipping for mud-loving creatures such as dragonfly larvae and getting a close-up look at them through magnified "bug boxes." When asked how he felt about sharing the pond with George, one of the Winneconne students said, "It was fun 'cuz I got to see the chancellor of the university I might go to someday."



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