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University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point... "Changing lives"



A grand staircase (above) is a noticeable improvement in the remodeled lobby of the University Library at UW-Stevens Point. Barrier-free gates (right) at entrances have improved security while allowing for greater accessibility.

Check out the library



Arne Arneson

A grand staircase, central borrowing area and vaulted ceiling are the centerpieces of the newly remodeled lobby of the University Library at UW-Stevens Point.

Work on the state-funded \$430,000 project was completed this summer. The remodeling has created a more functional and inviting space, said University Library Director Arne Arneson. The project, which was conceived in 1988, was approved by UW System in 2001 and paid for through the State Capital Improvement Fund.

The remodeling has improved the library's security, made for a more efficient work and traffic flow and created an inviting area for library users to relax, read and meet friends, Arneson said. In the outer east and west vestibules, a portrait and memorial of James H. Albertson has been mounted over the library's entrance doors. The

original portrait of Albertson hangs in the lobby. He was named president of Wisconsin State College (UWSP) in 1962. The building was named for him after his death in a plane crash in 1967 while visiting educational institutions in Vietnam.

The plans, created by architect Ron Howard and Associates, bring circulation, reserve and interlibrary loan together at a single, more visible service point. Consolidating these three units at one desk means there will be greater efficiencies for both the staff and customers. Since interlibrary loans are now widely available on the Internet, UWSP staff, students and faculty members will be using this service more in the future, Arneson predicts. Customers can check out books from other libraries and most sections of the University Library at one desk.

"We merged the service areas to create more efficient borrowing for our users," Arneson said. "We wanted to create a one-stop area to check out materials, while creating a more attractive environment."

The new staircase in the lobby connects the first and second floors and a vaulted barrel ceiling on the second floor opens space in the central atrium area. This staircase



connects the two most heavily used areas of the library, the circulation desk and the periodicals section, Arneson said. Alteration of the opening to the atrium allows more natural light into the lobby area.

The circulation desk has been moved forward so that staff members can clearly see the library entrances. The new desk also is more visible to library users. In addition, most of the desk has been lowered to be accessible to those with disabilities. Behind the desk, modular cabinetry gives flexibility to the workspace to meet the changing needs of library staff members.

Security was an important factor in the remodeling, Arneson said. Thousands of books worth thousands of dollars have been lost over the years because there was virtually no security at the entrances. In addition, unlike nearly any other college library, there are two main entrances to the building.

Old turnstiles were removed for greater accessibility and easier movement. New entrances include barrier free security gates. While they are easier to move through, the gates contain an alarm, which will greatly reduce losses including such valuable items as out-of-print books and other irreplaceable library materials. "This will give us a more secure environment for the collection," Arneson said.

Dedication ceremonies for the new lobby will be held later this fall.

*Don't miss Homecoming 2002!
Complete schedule is on page 3*

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Come back to campus for Homecoming 2002

Greetings from the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

Fall is in the air on the UWSP campus and the Alumni Association's plans for Homecoming 2002 are in full swing. Events have been planned for the entire week involving students and staff, with celebrations and reunions for alumni and friends on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 4 and 5.

In years past, a brochure was printed and distributed outlining homecoming activities. To take better advantage of the circulation of the *Pointer Alumnus* newspaper, we are discontinuing the printing of the brochure and outlining homecoming activities on page three of this publication. An updated listing is also available on the Internet at www.uwsp.edu/alumni.

The Alumni Association is very excited about this year's schedule and we hope to see you on campus at one of the events.

Make sure to stop by the University Store during your visit. It will be open all three days of Homecoming weekend.

While we are on the topic of fall activities, I encourage you to participate in the 2002 Annual Fund. You may receive a direct mail piece, a phone call from a current Point student or an e-mail. The bottom line is, support this all-important effort. My personal thanks to those who have participated in the Annual Fund in the past. I look forward to seeing many new names on the list in the future.

Giving back is the Pointer way . . . giving back to your community, giving back to your campus. Our experiences at Stevens Point were life changing. With the continued support of alumni and friends, students of today and the future can benefit from that same Pointer experience.

If you haven't been back to campus for a while, we'd love to see you. You'll find a dynamic campus of more than 8,000 students plus faculty and staff committed to the educational process, both in and out of the classroom. UWSP serves as a life-changing experience for



Alumni and University Relations Office staff includes, seated, left to right, Cheryl Bever, program assistant; and Terri Taylor, director of special events; standing, Jennifer Blum, '90, assistant director of University Relations; Brant Bergeron, '85, director of Alumni and University Relations; and Theresa Wessels, assistant director of Alumni Relations.

students by providing them with individualized attention and a well-rounded learning environment...true for me, as I know it was for you when you were on campus. UWSP: Changing Lives!

See you in October.

Brant Bergeron, '85
Director of Alumni and University Relations

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Directory to be published

In an effort to bring alumni from around the globe back together, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Alumni and University Relations Office will publish an all new alumni directory in spring 2003.

The directory will be a complete, up-to-date reference of more than 55,000 UWSP graduates. Each biographical listing will include name, address, telephone number, spouse and children, detailed professional information and email address. In separate sections, alumni will be listed alphabetically, by class year, by geographic location and occupation. The directory also will include a new career networking section. An electronic multimedia CD-ROM version also will be available.

The Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company was chosen to produce the new edition. Harris will soon begin compiling data to be included in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alum.

Brant Bergeron, director of alumni and university relations, urges alumni to fill out and return the survey promptly.

"If we don't have your current address, please contact the Alumni Office as soon as possible so we can make sure you receive a directory questionnaire," Bergeron said. With everyone's cooperation, the 2003 edition of UWSP the UWSP Alumni Directory is sure to be a great success."

Alumni events slated

Check the alumni calendar on the Internet at www.uwsp.edu/alumni—it is updated regularly. For more information on any of the events listed, call the Alumni and University Relations Office at (715) 346-3811 or toll free at 1-800-877-764-6801.

2002

Sept. 12	Marathon County Chapter Event, Hereford and Hops, Wausau
Sept. 17	Marathon County Chapter Event, Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum, Wausau
Sept. 20-21	Home Economics Centennial, UWSP campus. See story on page 4 for details.
Sept. 28	Marshfield Area Chapter Event, Harvest Moon Barn Dance at Jim and Brenda Castelleno's, Auburndale
Oct. 5	Homecoming 2002, UWSP campus
Oct. 26	Student Alumni Association Tailgate Party and Portage County Chapter Event, Goerke Field, UWSP
Nov. 4-Nov. 12	Alumni Association Travel to Italy

2003

Feb. 1	Men's Alumni Basketball Game and Reunion, Quandt Fieldhouse
Feb. 15	Women's Alumni Basketball Game and Reunion, Berg Gym
March 29-30	Dedication of University Center to honor Lee Dreyfus
June 6-7	Reunion Weekend and 50-year reunion for Class of 1953 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The event includes campus tours, reception, program luncheon• Information will be sent to alumni graduating or attending before 1958
Oct. 11	Homecoming 2003

2004

Oct. 2	Homecoming 2004
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Homecoming 2002 "Back in the Day...the Pointer Time Warp"

All events free and open to the public unless noted.

Thursday, October 3

Talent night

8 p.m., Melvin R. Laird Room, University Center (UC)

Friday, October 4

Wisconsin Association for Environmental Education reception

4-6 p.m., Wisconsin Lion's Camp, Rosholt. Environmental education alumni will gather at a reception during their state conference. Bake-off, refreshments and door prizes. Call Sunshine Kapusta for more information, (715) 346-2014.

Alpha Phi Omega alumni social

6:45-9:30 p.m., Stevens Point Brewery Hospitality Room. Contact Marc Kramer (715) 341-4051.

Alumni Marching Band social

8 p.m., Archie's Bar and Grill

Comedy City

8 p.m., Encore, UC

Tau Kappa Epsilon Social

9 p.m., Archie's Bar and Grill. Contact Phil Kallas (715) 341-6554.

Fisheries Society alumni banquet

5-11 p.m. Laird Room, UC, e-mail jhurt932@uwsp.edu or call 1-877-764-6801. All professionals are welcome.

African-American alumni social

8 p.m., Wooden Spoon, UC

Saturday, October 5

African-American alumni reception

9 a.m., Multicultural Resource Center, UC. Tribute to Gerald and Jim Vance and open house of the new MCRC near the LaFollette Lounge.

Alumni and friends coffee

9:30-11 a.m., Berg Gym Lobby. All alumni and friends are welcome to gather for coffee, juice, donuts and the parade. Co-sponsored by the UWSP Alumni Association and UWSP Foundation.

2002 Homecoming parade

10 a.m. Parade begins on Isadore Street and winds through campus to Goerke Park. The parade features the Alumni Marching Band, floats by campus organizations, residence halls and community entries. Can you play an instrument? Join us! Any and all alumni interested in playing in the Alumni Marching Band are invited. No need to have been part of past UWSP bands, or even a music major.

Tau Kappa Epsilon annual meeting

10:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Green Room, UC. Following the meeting, alumni and undergrads will gather at the TKE house, 1916 College Ave.

Psychology alumni reception

10:30 a.m., D-224 Science Building. Presentation on the history of the department and tour of lab facilities. Get reacquainted with teachers, share stories of the past and update one another on events over the years.

Home Economics centennial garden

11 a.m., southeast corner of CPS building. To commemorate the Home Economics Centennial, a perennial garden has been planted and will serve as a lasting tribute to the heritage of home economics at UWSP.

Art and Design juried alumni exhibition

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Carlsten and Schneider Galleries, second floor of the Fine Arts Center. Opening reception for the exhibition, which will run October 5-27. For more information, call Mike Fahey, (715) 346-3056.

University Centers staff/activities/SGA/ACT alumni picnic

11 a.m.-1 p.m., University Center Patio (rain site, Basement Brewhaus). This year marks the 25th anniversary of the Association for Community Tasks (ACT). We would like to invite any past ACT executive board members to join us in the Pointer Express. Contact Kathy Paulson (715) 346-3201 or Greg Diekroeger (715) 346-4343.

Phi Sigma Chi business meeting and hospitality

11 a.m.-1 p.m., business meeting, Red Room, UC. Contact Jeff Zabel (715) 344-8394.

2 p.m., Pig roast at Pfiffner Pioneer Park Building.

Psychology alumni reunion

11 a.m.-1 p.m., D224, Science Building. Contact Holly Voll, (715) 346-2487.

History alumni reunion

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Michelle's Restaurant. Contact Holly Voll, (715) 346-2487.

Foreign Languages alumni reunion

11 a.m.-1 p.m., Michelle's Restaurant. Contact Holly Voll, (715) 346-2487.

International Programs reunion

11 a.m., International Programs Office, 108 Collins Classroom Center. Welcome back International Programs alumni! Visit the newly remodeled and expanded office and learn about our new study abroad options. Enjoy refreshments with old friends while viewing videos of exciting destinations.

Tau Gamma Beta luncheon and reunion

11:30 a.m., Heritage Room, UC. Contact Jean Getchell Lange (715) 344-3173. Join other Tau Gams for lunch and an afternoon of reminiscing. Watch for an invitation.

Second annual alumni men's soccer match

12:30 p.m., UWSP Soccer Bowl, contact John Clark, (616) 974-8689 (work), (616) 554-5501 (home) or e-mail john.clark@provia.com. Gather at the Hilltop after the match.

Pointer football, UWSP vs. UW-La Crosse

1 p.m., Goerke Field. The Pointers battle the Eagles in the 2002 Homecoming football clash. For football game tickets, call the UWSP Box Office at (715) 346-4100 or (800) 838-3378. Visa, MasterCard or Discover cards accepted.

College of Natural Resources alumni social

4-8 p.m., Stevens Point Brewery Hospitality Room. An informal gathering for CNR alumni and staff to share tall tales and legends from the good ol' days.

Fifth Quarter reception

4:30-6 p.m., La Follette Lounge, UC. Alumni, friends and football fans gather for post-game refreshments.

1977 Pointer football champions 25-year reunion

6 p.m., Best Western Royal Inn

Chicago Saxophone Quartet

7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Series, Michelsen Concert Hall, Fine Arts Center



The Classified Staff Advisory Committee had a first place winning float in the parade during Homecoming 2001.

Residence Hall Association Homecoming Cotillion Ball

8-11 p.m., Encore Room, UC

15th Annual Festival of India

3:30-9:30 p.m., Stevens Point Area Senior High School, 1201 Northpoint Drive. Celebrate the culture of India with food, seminars and entertainment. Admission is free to festival and program. Dinner from 5-7 p.m. costs \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Entertainment begins at 7 p.m. No pre-registration necessary.

African-American Alumni/Black Student Union dance

9 p.m., Wooden Spoon, UC. Contact Mel Rousseau, (715) 346-3824.

Homecoming Banquet and Hall of Fame Induction

6-8:30 p.m., Alumni Room, UC Registration fee, \$15 per person, \$7 for children 12 and under, includes dinner and induction program. Advance registration required. Please call (715) 346-3811 or toll free (877) 764-6801 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu. *See details on page 16.*

Make Plans for Lunch—University Center Brewhaus
Saturday, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., food and beverages available

Check out the University Store's fine selection of Pointer and Alumni apparel. Browse our new and improved Web site for a complete Pointer and Alumni apparel catalog.



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Siasefi 50-Year Reunion
Homecoming 2003
Saturday, October 11, 2003

Stevie and Stephanie Pointer cheered on the home team at Homecoming 2001.

Helm joins UWSP as new provost-vice chancellor



Virginia Helm

Virginia Helm, a specialist in educational administration who formerly served as executive vice chancellor for academic affairs at Indiana University Northwest, Gary, Ind., has become the new provost/vice chancellor at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Helm, who succeeds retiring Provost/Vice Chancellor Bill Meyer, holds a bachelor's degree in English from Boston University, a master's degree in English from Boston College, an Ed.S. in educational administration from Western Illinois University and a Ph.D. in educational administration from the University of Iowa.

"I am delighted to be joining the UWSP community and look forward to working with the students, faculty, staff and administration to achieve new levels of excellence," Helm said. "UWSP is already distinguished among its peer institutions for both academic and athletic excellence, and it will be exciting to extend our efforts in new ways that will further benefit students as well as the region and state."

"Dr. Helm has had an outstanding career in education, both as a faculty member and an administrator," said UWSP Chancellor Tom George. "Building on her excellent administrative track record at Indiana University Northwest, she is poised to step into the critical position of provost/vice chancellor at UWSP. We welcome her enthusiastically."

Helm's accomplishments as vice chancellor at Indiana include establishing a Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning. Working closely with the deans, she proposed the development of a Center for Advising and Career Services, directed student retention initiatives and led a support group to assist displaced workers.

Helm has co-authored books about personnel evaluation, written book chapters about teacher evaluation and school law, and published articles about evaluation and the law in professional journals. Her recent presentations at professional meetings have focused on assessment.

UWSP included in new college guide

The Unofficial, Unbiased, Insider's Guide to the 320 Most Interesting Colleges now includes UWSP. The guide, issued by Kaplan Publishing, a division of Simon and Schuster, features previously unavailable information including a national guidance counselor survey and student observations about the academic and social life on the campuses.

Among entries in the book are profiles of some of America's most prestigious colleges. Several of Wisconsin's private colleges are listed; however Stevens Point and Madison are the only UW System schools to be included. The guide is available at most bookstores.

UWSP posts grades on Internet

UWSP stands to save about \$10,000 per year by posting student grades on the Internet.

Beginning in June, UWSP students no longer received grade reports in the mail unless a special request was made.

"UWSP printed and mailed more than 20,000 grade reports in 2001," said Associate Registrar Larry Sipiorski. "Needless to say, this change should represent savings for UWSP."

"Grades posted on a password protected Web site provide quicker, easier access for students and can be printed from the site as well," he continued. "Students have been able to look up their grades on the Web for several years and for many, accessing the Internet is the preferred way to get information. Other campuses that have done this report their students had few problems adapting."

"Students without access to computers during the summer who have expressed concerns can go to most public libraries in the country and use the Web for no charge," Sipiorski said.

In general, students have been supportive, he reported. When they were informed of the change, one replied, "I think this sounds like an absolutely wonderful idea! Thanks for saving our trees and money and many other resources."

Another student said, "I think this is great ... It is about time people start realizing the Net was meant to save paper, not create more of a hassle. Good luck with it."

Other UW System campuses that recently switched to electronic grade reporting include Eau Claire, La Crosse, Madison, Oshkosh, River Falls, Superior and Whitewater.

Home economics centennial planned

A celebration of the centennial of home economics programs at UWSP will be held Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21. All alumni and former faculty members of the programs are invited to attend the event.

Domestic science, later called home economics, was the first major approved at Stevens Point Normal School in 1902. The three current majors descended from the program are interior architecture, family and consumer education and dietetics and nutritional science.

Festivities will begin Friday evening with a reception in the Founders Room in Old Main. Saturday's activities in the University Center will include historic displays, speakers, a silent auction and a luncheon. In addition, items will be for sale to raise funds for a centennial garden.

To honor the historic mission of home economics, an endowment fund is being mounted. The fund will bring outstanding professionals to campus and send students to learn from outstanding professionals in their work places.

Among items for sale at the event are a cookbook and set of note cards unique to UWSP. The limited edition cookbook contains wartime recipes by the late Bessie May Allen and the note cards feature paintings by Professor Emerita Ethel Hill, two former home economics faculty members.

Profits from the sale of the items will go toward creating a perennial garden near the College of Professional Studies Building. The garden also will have space for engraved bricks in thanks for larger donations to the endowment.

Allen was instrumental in shaping the home economics programs during her tenure as head of the Domestic Science Department and chair of home economics from 1913 to 1952. Her recipes that helped homemakers conserve food and deal with rationing during World War I have been collected along with recipes from alumni, students, faculty and staff members.

Hill is a 1940 graduate of Central State Teachers College who taught at UWSP for 24 years. She took up watercolor painting after retirement and continues to study at The Clearing in Door County each summer.

Cookbooks and packages of six note cards may be purchased in the College of Professional Studies Dean's Office for \$10 each plus tax. An order form can be printed from the centennial Web site www.uwsp.edu/cps/centennial/store. Ordering information also is available by e-mail to jnorth@uwsp.edu, by calling (715) 346-4775 or writing to UWSP College of Professional Studies Dean's Office, 1901 Fourth Ave., Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897.

Leaving a Legacy at UWSP

Roy Habeck, '59, and Phyllis (Hazelwood) Habeck, '53, wanted to give something back to the school that got them started on their long and successful teaching careers. They worked with the college development staff to establish the Habeck Family Scholarship in the School of Education.



Roy Habeck and Phyllis Habeck

Greetings from Shawano Lake, UWSP has had a special place in our hearts since our first campus visit in 1951. Although faces have changed, the friendliness has stayed the same over the years.

The exemplary education we received has served us well as we pursued our careers.

It is with much gratitude that we have included a bequest in our wills as a token of appreciation for the excellent education and friendly atmosphere that has prevailed since that first visit to Old Main.

*With pleasure,
Roy and Phyllis*

Habeck Family Scholarship

For more information about leaving a bequest to the UWSP Foundation, please fill out the form and send to:

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UWSP's partnerships benefit all students

Greetings from the chancellor:

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point continues to change the lives of students who are working adults seeking four-year degrees and certifications.

UWSP is joining partners from the region to strengthen collaborations that will, in turn, strengthen our state's economy.

Two of these partnerships are the New Economy Workforce (NEW) Coalition and the Wisconsin Learning Center (WLC). They are elements of the Central Wisconsin Idea (CWI), which I discussed in last fall's issue of the *Alumnus*. New state funding of over \$500,000 annually will support the CWI, creating new positions in a number of areas that focus on high-technology learning both on and off campus.

The NEW Coalition is a partnership of UWSP, UW-Marathon County, Northcentral Technical College and Marathon County businesses led by Liberty Mutual/Wausau Insurance. It develops post-secondary educational opportunities that integrate information systems, finance and communication courses. These programs provide knowledge and skills that Central Wisconsin employers require of their staff members. With funding from the Marathon County business community, the NEW Coalition provides employees of Marathon County businesses with convenient and fulfilling advanced learning opportunities.

Lisa Lemanske, a 1986 graduate of UWSP, took a class through the NEW Coalition. A senior software engineer at Liberty Mutual Group in Wausau, she wanted to learn more about computer technology and programming. The course she took, taught by UWSP computing Professor Dan Goulet, was the opportunity she was looking for and the convenience of the location was a definite plus.

"I use the design skills and concepts regularly in my work," Lemanske said. "The kinds of courses that are being developed by the NEW Coalition target the skills that Central Wisconsin employers value."

Another partnership between UWSP, Mid-State Technical College and the Portage County Business Council Foundation has established the Wisconsin Learning Center. In last fall's issue of the *Alumnus*, I mentioned that we had broken ground for this center. The completed center has traditional and distance-education classrooms at the Portage County Business Council headquarters. It provides technology-based education for employees in Portage County. Ultimately, through distance education capabilities, it will provide education and training to time-bound and place-bound adult students throughout Central Wisconsin. Course offerings began last February.

Michael Martens is marketing director of MarTech Systems, Inc., Wausau, a successful, growing software



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company, in business since 1986. Martens attended an Entrepreneurship Training Program at WLC this spring to get information about creating a business plan for a new division of the company. Since attending the class, he has created marketing studies, a cash flow plan and other aspects of starting the new division.

"The information was very valuable in formulating the first steps of the new division," he said, "and the learning center is a comfortable facility."

The WLC is the result of a successful partnership between the education and business communities at the local level. In addition, the local partners work with the federal government. UWSP and Mid-State Technical College have each contributed substantial funds to this venture, as has the Portage County Business Council Foundation. The commitment of these funds was used to leverage further funding from the federal government through the work of Congressman David Obey.

With anticipated state funding for the Central Wisconsin Idea, with the NEW Coalition, and with the WLC, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point continues to demonstrate its strong commitment to a leadership role among public, comprehensive universities.

Chancellor Thomas F. George

For higher education, elections do help



Thomas F. George

In November, Wisconsinites will go to the polls in an election that may prove pivotal for the future of public higher education in our state.

A generation ago state support for UWSP was approximately 50 percent of our budget. This year state tax support will be approximately 38 percent of UWSP's budget. This decline is typical throughout the UW System. Are we no longer a state

funded public higher education system?

During the budget repair process completed during the summer by the state Legislature, the UW System took 23 percent of the combined budget cuts, even though we represent just over eight percent of the entire state General Program Revenue (GPR) budget. As of today, Wisconsin spends \$900 below the national average for GPR spending per student.

The only way to stop these troubling budget trends is to elect more politicians who understand that a world-class public university system cannot continue without strong bipartisan backing in both the Legislature and the governor's office. Fortunately, UWSP has many friends in the Legislature, especially those representing Stevens Point, Wausau and Wisconsin Rapids. Yet as we continue to push a regional approach for our institution, it becomes increasingly evident that we need greater political support from politicians beyond Portage, Marathon and Wood Counties.

It is imperative that our alumni and friends stay engaged in the political process and promote the many educational and economic benefits that UW System campuses bring to our state.

I ask you, as alumni and friends of UWSP, to exercise your franchise and vote in both the September primary and the general election in November. Candidates have stated positions on higher education and the future of the UW System. Whether voting for gubernatorial or legislative candidates, it is imperative for all of us to do our homework and find out where they stand on supporting public higher education and the Wisconsin Idea.

Be informed . . . be engaged . . . and vote!

Chancellor Thomas F. George

Donors give back to help change lives



Peg Zwicker

Greetings from the UWSP Foundation,

Alumni support of the Annual Fund continues to grow, and we are especially grateful to all UWSP alumni who choose to give back to their alma mater.

The 2002-2003 Annual Fund campaign has begun. This year's goal is to raise \$274,000 in support of universitywide priorities.

Annual Fund gifts touch nearly all areas of campus, enhancing UWSP's ability to support student success. Rhonda Miska stands as one example of how these gifts help change lives.

Since shortly after she graduated in May, Miska has been living at the Padre Fabretto Center in Cusmopa, Nicaragua, a mountain village of 6,000 inhabitants where she works with troubled youth and orphans.

With initial funding originating from Annual Fund gifts, Miska had a pivotal experience during her senior year that led her to Nicaragua. She used the funds to travel to Northern Ireland and study firsthand about conflict resolution and interdenominational reconciliation during an 11-day project sponsored by the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship in Milwaukee.

Bob Tomlinson, assistant chancellor for student affairs, thanks all UWSP alumni who support the Annual Fund campaign. "These gifts can have a significant impact on a student's career. If Rhonda hadn't been able to go to Northern Ireland, she wouldn't have been as competitive for the Nicaraguan position."

This fall, UWSP alumni will again have an opportunity to help change lives at UWSP through the Annual Fund campaign. When a student calls to ask for your support, please say "Yes!"

Thank you for your continued support. We simply couldn't do it without you.

Peg Zwicker

Director of Annual Giving

For more information on the 2002-2003 Annual Fund and how you can contribute, contact Zwicker at 1-800-858-5267.



Pictured above is the cover of the award winning UWSP viewbook.

UWSP’s viewbook captures first place

The UWSP viewbook has captured first place in a national competition. “It’s About You,” UWSP’s publication for prospective students, was named the top viewbook among entries from 36 schools in the University Photographers Association of America annual competition. It was chosen by a team of editors and photographers on the basis of how well photos were used in the publication. Five alumni were involved in production of the book, which was authored by Bill Jordan, assistant director of UWSP Admissions. The photographs were taken by Doug Moore, master’s ’89, and Tom Charlesworth, ’87, the book was designed by Meas Vang, ’99, and edited by Sally Clanton, ’77, master’s ’93, and Mary Sipiorski, ’87, all of UWSP News Services.

The UPA includes 400 members from 180 schools throughout the nation. Both Moore and Charlesworth have formerly been recognized by the group for the quality of their photography.



Doug Moore



Tom Charlesworth



Meas Vang



Sally Clanton



Mary Sipiorski

Korth lauded for excellence



Robert Korth

The UW System Regents 2002 Academic Staff Award for Excellence was presented to Robert Korth, a lake management specialist at UWSP and UWSP-Extension. Korth, who has been with UWSP-Extension since 1990, directs the Wisconsin Lake Partnership, a unique program and a national model. He coordinates the annual Wisconsin Lakes Convention, produces a quarterly newsletter, *Lake Tides*, writes extensively and provides educational and organizational assistance to citizens and groups interested in lake stewardship. “I firmly believe our lakes are healthier and lake-loving citizens are much more dedicated and effective because they have been inspired and empowered by Bob Korth,” wrote one nominator. Korth holds a bachelor’s degree from UW-Oshkosh and a master’s degree in natural resources and environmental education from UWSP. His book, *Through the Looking Glass: A Field Guide to Aquatic Plants*, is nationally and internationally known.

International Programs fund nears goal

People whose lives have been touched by UWSP’s International Programs have stepped forward to express their appreciation for the lasting benefits of study abroad. The endowment committee set a goal of \$100,000 and so far has raised \$80,000 for the fund. The money was raised when participants and leaders of study tours responded to a call for funding an endowment through the UWSP Foundation that will provide scholarships for students who want the opportunity for a life-changing experience of studying abroad. Although the cost of the programs is a great value, there are a number of worthy students who cannot afford it, according to Bob Bowen, former director of International Programs and fund raising committee member. The endowment is designed to encourage more students to participate in international education. Since the first semester abroad to London in 1969, more than 9,500 students and 265 faculty members have participated in UWSP study abroad programs. Costs, including tuition, fees, airfare, lodging, food and tours, range from \$5,200 to \$9,100 per term. According to International Programs Director David Staszak, UWSP is a leader in the UW System with about 15 percent of its graduates having studied abroad, ranking 13th in the nation among other comprehensive universities for the number of students it sends abroad. There are plans to increase the number of semester-long and short-term programs for summer, spring and winter breaks, adding one or two new locations per year for five years, Staszak said. Existing programs are being scheduled more often and new opportunities are being developed in Europe, Central America and the South Pacific. A business internship to China was launched this summer. With the growth in programs, student costs have increased. “As far as we know, UWSP will still have the lowest administrative fee in the UW System,” Staszak said. Need-based student scholarships are sought to help cover additional costs. Honorary chairs of the scholarship committee include former Chancellor and Governor Lee Dreyfus, current Chancellor Tom George and past International Programs Directors Bob Bowen, Pauline Isaacson and Helen Corneli. Heading up the appeal are Mary Ann Baird, emerita associate professor of interior architecture, and Bob Wolensky, professor of sociology. For information about a variety of pledge options, contact the UWSP Foundation, 2100 Main St., Stevens Point, WI 54481; call toll free (800) 858-5267; or visit the Web site at www.uwsp.edu/foundation.

McClain-Ruelle honored by WEA

Leslie McClain-Ruelle, head of the School of Education, was named Wisconsin Teacher of the Year by the Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA) at its annual representative assembly. The award recognizes an individual teacher educator for leadership and dedication to students. McClain-Ruelle was nominated by a unanimous decision of the local chapter’s board. She was termed “an outstanding advocate and supporter of the organization” by Carrie Teeters, president of the UWSP chapter.



Leslie McClain-Ruelle

A specialist in reading education, curriculum and instruction, she taught grades seven through 12 before teaching at the college level. McClain-Ruelle has supported UWSP’s StWEA with a fully equipped office that is visible to students and faculty members. She helps fund professional state and national conferences and workshops. The executive board of UWSP’s chapter traveled to St. Louis, Mo., this year for a national conference. In addition, the School of Education funds an annual colloquium for students. McClain-Ruelle also includes StWEA officers in faculty meetings where they are given the opportunity to promote the organization.

Alumni artwork showcased

An exhibition of artwork by UWSP Alumni will be on display in the Carlsten and Schneider Galleries of the Fine Arts Center during Homecoming 2002. A reception for the artists will be held on Homecoming day, Saturday, Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is free and open to the public. The exhibition will run through Sunday, Oct. 27. Juror for the exhibition was Frances Myers, graphics chair in the UW-Madison Art Department. She is a renowned printmaker and video artist. For more information, call Mike Fahey at (715) 346-3056.

Student society is one of the best

The UWSP Soil and Water Conservation Society has received national recognition.

The student chapter was one of five nationally to receive the Outstanding Chapter Award for accomplishments in carrying out its overall program throughout the year. It also received the Chapter Achievement Award for a single activity or project conducted during the year.

The UWSP chapter's ongoing project focuses on the Horicon Marsh near Beaver Dam. According to the chapter's former president Jennifer Hegge, Hudson, the goal of the project is to study nutrient and sediment loading in the marsh from the surrounding agricultural lands. Ultimately, students hope to create a three-dimensional image of the sediment in the marsh using a geographic information systems database. The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provide both technical and financial support.

For the past 28 years, Ron Hensler, professor of soil and water resources, has been adviser for the chapter, which began in the late 1960s.

Anniversary marked for Polish program

Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland, has marked the 25th anniversary of the UWSP College of Natural Resources summer study-abroad program sponsored by UWSP International Programs.

A ceremony was held in July at Aula of Collegium Maius, the oldest auditorium at the university. Rector Franciszek Ziejka presented the Medal of the Refounding of the Krakow Academy to Hans Schabel, professor of forestry and director of international resource management. Schabel has led numerous students on summer tours to Poland including the first group in 1978 and the current 2002 group.

Since 1975 UWSP has provided semester-long study programs in East Central Europe through which students attend Jagiellonian University, which was founded in 1364. On the summer tours, CNR students not only learn history and culture but current and past natural resource practices in Poland. Program arrangements are facilitated by the School of Polish Language and Culture.

Golf outing named for Schultz

More than 90 golfers attended a golf outing at Tree Acres Golf Course in Plover on August 12 in memory of Scott Schultz, a leader in the Stevens Point community who passed away in May 2001.

The Community Foundation of Portage County and the UWSP Alumni Association hosted the Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing, which raised more than \$5,000 for scholarships in Schultz's name.

A former mayor, Stevens Point school board member and Community Foundation executive director, Schultz was a 1972 alumnus of UWSP. He served as director of leadership gifts for the UWSP Foundation, assistant director of Alumni Relations and as a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors. He also was active in a number of local organizations.

Golfers played an 18-hole scramble as well as competing in a putting contest and other course contests followed by a picnic.

For information on next year's outing, call (715) 346-3811 or 1-877-764-6801.



Scott Schultz

McBride and Nigbor receive top honors

Shawn Granger McBride, '72, New Orleans, La., was named the 2002 Distinguished Alumna and Mary Ann Nigbor, '67, Stevens Point, received the 2002 Distinguished Service Award at a luncheon in May.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award recognizes distinguished achievement and university service. The Alumni Service Award recognizes volunteers and staff who work consistently on behalf of the UWSP Alumni Association.

McBride is president and CEO of the corporation that distributes Chef Paul Prudhomme's Magic Seasoning Blends. Prudhomme, who was among the guests at the awards luncheon, also developed the well-known New Orleans restaurant, K-Paul's Louisiana Kitchen. In 1984, Prudhomme invited McBride to join him as a sales representative and she was named chief operating officer in 1986. She travels throughout the world to organize and direct cooking demonstrations and to oversee various charitable activities.

A longtime Alumni Association supporter, Nigbor is serving her 11th term on the Alumni Association Board of Directors including two years as president.

"Mary Ann is the answer to every alumni director's prayers," said former UWSP Alumni Director Karen Engelhard. "She is a volunteer who is interested, enthusiastic, willing, perceptive and generous with her time. The depth of her feeling for UWSP is obvious to everyone."

Nigbor has served for many years on the planning committee for First Nighters, an Alumni Association sponsored group of university theatre patrons. She recently was named to the UWSP Foundation Board of Directors and has served on numerous university committees.

Rick Gering, '79, co-founder of Eastbay, received the Distinguished Alumnus Award, in absentia.



Mary Ann Nigbor



Shawn McBride, '72, New Orleans, La., was named 2002 Distinguished Alumna at a luncheon in May, and was joined by Chef Paul Prudhomme, for whom she serves as chief executive officer.

Hansen public service award given to Worth

Robert Worth, former president of the Worth Company, received the William C. Hansen Award at an event at the home of Chancellor Tom George.

The award recognizes public service as demonstrated by the humanitarian work of Hansen, who served as president of Wisconsin State Teachers College (later UWSP) from 1940 to 1962. Hansen's daughter Ann Buck was present at the reception honoring Worth.

From 1959 to 1992, Worth served as president of the Worth Company, a Stevens Point fishing equipment manufacturer founded by his father, Joseph Worth. His son, David, followed him as president of the company. Worth attended Central State Teachers College until 1950.



Chancellor Tom George, left, and Ann Buck, center, presented the William C. Hansen Award to Robert Worth, right, at a gathering at the chancellor's home in Stevens Point. Buck, President Hansen's daughter, participated in the presentation.

He led the planning and development of UWSP's Central Wisconsin Environmental Station on Sunset Lake near Nelsonville and served as chairperson of the environmental station's steering committee for many years.

A longtime member of the UWSP Foundation Board, Worth has served as president of the board and works on numerous university and community projects.

He established and has continued to support the Worth Fisheries Scholarship in the College of Natural Resources. In 1992 he was named Outstanding Contributor to the college. He also created a scholarship for percussionists in the UWSP Music Department and has been instrumental in encouraging endowments from other contributors to the program.

Former president's daughter remembers the college

President Hansen's second eldest daughter wrote this note to the Pointer Alumnus. She participated in the presentation of the William C. Hansen Award to Bob Worth.

For many reasons, I wish I had lived nearby during my father's presidency of "the college," now the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. When my father took over the presidency in 1940, my two sisters, Helen and Ruth, and I were midway through our college years at UW-Madison. Another sister, Kay, was in high school when our family came to Stevens Point and she followed us at UW-Madison.

After graduation, all three of us joined the Army, two as nurses and one as a dietician. Soon after I came to live in Plover, my father began his four-year term in the Wisconsin Senate.

During vacation visits, I had marveled at the growth of the university, not only in census, but also in the addition of so many buildings, which turned it into a beautiful campus. I knew about the new educational expansion and the addition of so many exceptional educators from across the nation, which in turn increased the national prestige of the college.

It has been a real pleasure for me from time to time since my parents' deaths in the 1980s to meet former students and faculty members who have been so complementary about them. This has enhanced my interest in the university and encouraged my future support of scholarships for incoming students.

Ann Buck

Ann Buck, Plover

Nutritional science master's program launched

UWSP has introduced a nutritional science master's degree that can be completed in 12 months.

The 30-credit graduate program is designed to accommodate working adults who wish to gain expertise and research skills in community and older adult nutrition. Students attend classes two days per week and choose to complete either a thesis or project option. Limited enrollment allows the faculty to provide personal attention to individual career goals.

Students earn master's degrees in nutritional science in a program that combines a solid science foundation with practical experience, according to Dean Joan North of the College of Professional Studies.

The program is designed with the needs of two groups of individuals in mind. First, students with a background in nutrition or other health fields can improve their knowledge base and sharpen their research skills. Second, registered dietitians and others already working in a nutrition or health area may use the degree for career enhancement or professional development.

The nutritional science and dietetics unit in the School of Health Promotion and Human Development trains professionals to create healthy living environments in communities throughout Wisconsin and the nation. The nutrition program is one of the descendants of UWSP home economics program, which is celebrating its centennial year.

For more information, contact Jasia Chitharanjan, assistant professor and director of the dietetics program, at (715) 346-4087 or visit the Web site at www.uwsp.edu/HPHD/Academics/NutriSci.asp.



A dietetics student studying community nutrition works with local children. The degree she is working on is designed to accommodate working adults and can be completed in one year.

Education group tops in nation

The UWSP chapter of the Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA) received the Outstanding Chapter Excellence Award for the third year in a row and received an award for Outstanding Web Site at the National Education Association (NEA) Student Leadership Conference in Dallas, Texas, this summer.

"Our students are active in the organization and we are very proud of all of our officers, members and fellow advisers," said Maggie Beeber, one of three chapter advisers. "The School of Education and College of Professional Studies has made student involvement a priority. We also have relied on the time and expertise of many area teachers and alumni."

Among activities of the award-winning chapter is the Latchkey After School Program, a free service run by UWSP student volunteers at Jefferson Elementary School. It offers children between kindergarten and fourth grade a safe, supervised and structured environment for after-school care. The program has been operating since 1989 with the help of grants and funding from local businesses and organizations.

The UWSP StWEA Web site was coordinated by Marcy Weckwerth, Merrill, a junior majoring in exceptional education. It can be viewed at www.uwsp.edu/education/stwea.

Student dance performed in D.C.



Photo by Doug Henderson

Five UWSP students performed in "Break-Out" at a national dance festival in Washington, D.C.

"Break-Out," choreographed by Candice Jablonski, New Berlin, was one of only two student pieces selected from the American College Dance Festival Association (ACDFA) regional festival to perform at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., in May.

The dance was one of 36 entered in the Central Region Festival in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, that included work by students and faculty members from 50 college and university dance programs in the nine-state region. Jablonski's work was one of nine pieces selected for the festival closing gala concert, of which only three were choreographed by students.

Gala pieces, selected for their exemplary artistic quality, were then judged for the national festival. Jablonski said she had set the goal of performing in the gala. She said, having made it that far, the dancers were more relaxed and able to give their best performance without worrying about the judges.

The national festival is held in even numbered years to showcase the best work of the regional festivals. UWSP dance students and faculty members have been participating in ACDFA on a regional level since 1982. This is the third time that a student work has been selected for the national festival.

"Attendance at ACDFA is essential for our students," according to Susan Hughes Gingrasso, professor and head of dance, who accompanied 28 UWSP dance students to the festival. "This is the only opportunity they have to get comments on their work from professional dancers and choreographers." The regional event was judged by three nationally recognized dance professionals.

"It was a treat to see students from other schools," Jablonski said. "I enjoyed seeing the creativity of other dancers and getting new ideas."

Funding for students to attend the festivals comes from the Theatre and Dance Department, the Backstage organization and the College of Fine Arts and Communication. "Break-Out" encored at UWSP's annual main stage production, "Danstage," in May.

Menominee clans figures displayed at library



The Golden Eagle Clan figure is among 34 intricately detailed wood carvings that depict the Menominee origin story. A Web site is now in place and a display of the figures will be completed next spring.

A new permanent exhibit is being created for the Albertson Learning Resources Center and a Web site provides additional information about the display.

The Menominee Clans Story, depicted with 34 wood figures, is being created by traditional artist, James Frechette, Jr., Rhinelander. He is one of few Menominee elders who have knowledge of the ancient clan system.

The Menominee origin story describes five principal clans, each represented by a creature that adopted younger brothers until there were 34 clans. Frechette's figures will represent all of the clans with a centerpiece portraying a council fire.

Intricately carved and decorated in acrylic, the figures stand between 12 and 20 inches high. They will be displayed on a representation of the Menominee River built by Ed Marks, curator of education at the UWSP Natural History Museum.

"I want to illustrate and preserve what the Menominee culture was at one time," Frechette said. "As a child growing up in Neopit and Keshena on the Menominee Reservation, I listened and learned the stories."

The library and museum recently published a Menominee Clans Story Web site at <http://library.uwsp.edu/MenomineeClans>. The site features images of Frechette's carvings that can be manipulated for a three-dimensional view. Also on the Web site, the Menominee Origin Story is read in English by Frechette and in Menominee by Mike Hoffmann, a Menominee linguist. Many of the graphics used on the site were custom designed and drawn by Frechette.

David Wrone, emeritus professor of history, who was instrumental in getting the exhibit started, wrote portions of the descriptive text for the Web site. A noted American history scholar, Wrone led in the formation of Menominee Indian language classes at UWSP in 1992, the first on any university campus.

"The carvings symbolize individual aspects of all human life, showing that harmony can be achieved through the complexity and significance of a system devised by the Menominee to help guide their lives," said Wrone.

Frechette has been recognized as a significant artist, receiving commissions from museums and collectors throughout the world. He carved a figure for the National Indian Collection of the Department of Interior in Washington, D.C. His 11-foot carving of the Great Light-Colored Bear, the first of the clan leaders, is on permanent display at the Menominee Reservation in Keshena. He carved ceremonial Menominee ladles, which his uncle presented to Pope John Paul II, and are now displayed at the Vatican. He also has work exhibited at the Neville Museum in Green Bay and the Milwaukee Convention Center.

Birds added to museum exhibit

Two brightly colored greenish-yellow birds have joined the African Savanna exhibit at the UWSP Natural History Museum, thanks to a staff member who received them as a gift from her home country.

Carmen Luque, a native of Castilleja del Campo, Sevilla, Spain, and a campus employee, donated the European bee-eaters to the museum. Castilleja del Campo is located in southwestern Spain near the Portuguese border. Luque has lived in Stevens Point for 13 years.

Ed Marks, curator of education at the museum, added them to the Savanna exhibit because the birds are widespread throughout Europe and Africa. Luque says a friend sent the mounted specimens to her as a reminder of her home in Spain where thousands of the slim and graceful birds spend the spring and summer.

Bee-eaters do not build nests, but rather make their homes by excavating holes in hillocks of damp clay. In order to kill and eat their prey, the birds hold venomous insects by the tip of the insect's abdomen, then rub the insect against a branch until the venom is discharged and the insect can be swallowed.

An Egyptian goose, mounted at no cost by Randy Mayes of Mayes Taxidermy, Stevens Point, and donated by Woody and Zachary Bishop and Mike Okray, also has found a home in the Savanna exhibit. The large birds, which eat mostly grass and seeds, prefer a variety of wetlands in open country and avoid forested areas.

The African Savanna and a companion exhibit were made possible through the generosity of Emeritus Assistant Chancellor for Student Affairs Helen Godfrey. Other donations were made by Okray Family Farms, the William Bond Estate and County Concrete Corp.



Campus employee Carmen Luque donated two brightly colored birds from Spain to the UWSP Natural History Museum.

In Memoriam

Robert Price



Robert Price

Robert Price, professor of foreign languages, died June 5 at age 66 of a heart attack after having successfully undergone a kidney transplant.

A specialist in Slavic languages, Price came to UWSP in 1972, where he taught Russian and Polish until his death.

He traveled to Russia and Eastern Europe about 30 times between 1967 and 2001. On many of the trips, he was a leader with UWSP International Programs. He also served as a translator for religious groups, including a trip with the World Council of Churches meeting with the Patriarchy of Russia.

He became interested in Slavic languages while studying at the Army Language School in Monterey, Calif. He then served in Germany during the 1950s. Price received a bachelor's degree in German from Manchester College

in North Manchester, Ind., a master's degree in Russian and doctorate in Slavic literature from Indiana University.

Early in his career, he was a reference librarian in the Slavic area of the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C. He received a Fulbright Fellowship in 1966 to do research in Yugoslavia, then taught Slavic languages at the University of Colorado in Boulder before coming to UWSP.

He was part of a three-member team that collaborated on a six-volume Serbo-Croatian language textbook, accompanied by a four-volume teachers' manual. The team received a commendation from the Center for Slavic and East European Studies for creating a new method of teaching and stimulating interest in the language.

He also published a beginning textbook, *Russian for Communication*, which has been republished annually since 1992, and several book length translations.

He was a member of the National Ski Patrol and active with the Standing Rocks Ski Patrol. He also enjoyed acting with the Central Wisconsin Area Community Theater.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie.

Frank "Pat" Crow



Frank "Pat" Crow

Frank "Pat" Crow, emeritus professor of history, died March 7 at age 87.

Crow came to UWSP in 1947 and served for nearly a decade as chair of the Department of History, retiring in 1985.

Those who knew him often remarked on his uncanny ability to remember names, hometowns and other tidbits of personal information, which endeared him to students, faculty and staff.

During his 40-year career at UWSP, Crow taught nearly every course offered by the History Department, including women's studies and black history. Although he was a native of Missouri, he became a specialist in Wisconsin history.

He was twice honored with the Excellence in Teaching Award, in 1972 and 1978. In 1982 he received the

Brotherhood of Man Award from the Masonic Lodge in Stevens Point.

Crow participated in a faculty exchange teaching at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland in 1966-67. In the 1950s, he did an exchange with a black professor from an all-black college in Missouri. He participated in a UWSP International Programs semester abroad to London that included Stratford-on-Avon in 1970.

He was active in Faculty Senate and became its first chair. He also was local president and state vice president of The Association of University of Wisconsin Faculty (TAUWF).

Crow served in World War II as a combat infantryman and received three battle stars and two campaign ribbons. He held a bachelor's degree from the Northwest Missouri State College and master's and doctoral degrees from UW-Madison. Before coming to UWSP, he taught at UW-Eau Claire, Lincoln University at Jefferson City, Mo., and UW-Extension.

He and his wife, Luella, who preceded him in death, were supportive of foreign students, often inviting them into their home. They sponsored seven refugees from Vietnam after the government of South Vietnam collapsed.

His fellow faculty members established an endowment in his name in the Department of History through the UWSP Foundation, Room 212 Old Main, 2100 Main Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

Gerald Nienke



Gerald Nienke

Gerald Nienke, the first director of the water chemistry program at UWSP, died June 13 at age 64.

A Clintonville native, Nienke began his career as a high school teacher. He held a bachelor's degree from Valparaiso University in Indiana and master's and doctoral degrees from Indiana University. He joined the UWSP faculty in 1967, teaching chemistry until 1980, when the College of Natural Resources (CNR) hired him half time to teach water chemistry. He joined the CNR full time in 1982 to take charge of the water program. He retired in 1994 after 32 years of teaching.

The water chemistry program at UWSP flourished under Nienke's leadership. Some of his former advisees are working with environmental water analysis, hazardous materials testing, groundwater quality assessment and chemical analyses for such agencies as the EPA and the Wisconsin DNR.

Nienke's classes were popular and highly rated, his students say, based on "real world" examples. He was recognized in 1988 with the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award.

He led natural resources summer study trips to Germany and Poland and taught in the CNR summer camp at Treehaven.

He is survived by his wife, Lorie. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jody Leigh Nienke, a former lecturer at UWSP, and her husband, Richard Frie, a former associate professor of fisheries and water resources.

A memorial has been established with the UWSP Foundation, which can be contacted at (715) 346-3812 or 800-858-5267.

Roger Wood



Roger Wood

Roger Wood, emeritus professor of science education, died March 11 at age 71.

Known throughout Wisconsin as a specialist in science education, Wood taught at UWSP from 1966 to 1992.

During his career at UWSP, Wood garnered several grants and directed projects to provide mathematics and science training for area teachers and served as the head of one of six science education centers in the state.

In 1974 he led a semester abroad to London through UWSP International Programs and was recognized for Excellence in Teaching. He served on the steering committee of the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station.

A native of Wausau, Wood taught high school before coming to UWSP. He was a 1954 graduate of UWSP and received a doctorate at UW-Madison.

He was a member of the Stevens Point Barbershoppers.

He is survived by his wife, Delores, who lives in Ocala, Fla. He died in Florida and a memorial service was held in July at UWSP.

A scholarship in science education was established in his name through the UWSP Foundation, Room 212 Old Main, 2100 Main Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481.

Faculty retirements

Katherine Ackley



Katherine Ackley

Katherine Ackley, professor of English, the first woman to receive UWSP's University Scholar Award, came to UWSP in 1979.

In addition to teaching English, she served as assistant dean of graduate studies from 1990 to 1995, was acting dean for one semester and coordinator of the Women's Studies Program from 1982 to 1992. Ackley has written and edited three editions of

Perspectives on Contemporary Issues: Readings Across the Disciplines, a textbook first published in 1997 and five editions of *Essays from Contemporary Culture*. She also has written numerous articles on women in literature and women's issues and has read papers on British novelist Barbara Pym at conferences in the U.S. and England.

On more than a dozen trips to England, she has done research and professional development, led two semesters abroad in London and just completed her fourth summer trip. In 1995 she presented a paper at the U.S./China Joint Conference on Women's Issues in Beijing, China, and has made presentations on China, women's roles and literature throughout the community.

Larry Weiser



Larry Weiser

Larry Weiser, professor of economics, who came to UWSP in 1972, helped establish and became director of the Northcentral Center for Economic Education. The center is one of eight in the state that affiliates with the Wisconsin Council on Economic Education (WCEE), of which Weiser became program director in 2001. With the help of UW-Extension instructor Lynn Kirby, Weiser created the WCEE

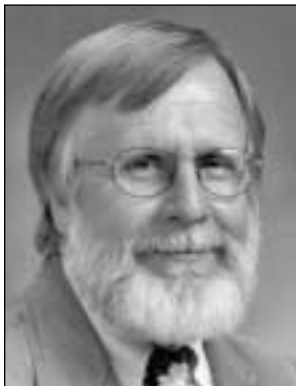
Web site, www.economicswisconsin.org.

"The center has worked with hundreds of teachers over the years using programs we have developed," Weiser said, "and those teachers have affected many more students."

Weiser has served as chair of his division. In 2000, he received the Eugene Katz Distinguished Faculty Award from the College of Letters and Science.

He served on the Portage County task forces for poverty and affordable housing and is a member of the Stevens Point Transportation Commission.

Robert Miller



Robert Miller

Robert Miller, professor and coordinator of forestry, came to UWSP in 1973 to develop an urban forestry program in the College of Natural Resources and by 1984 he was forestry program coordinator.

Throughout his career, Miller has shared his expertise beyond Wisconsin's borders, including teaching a weeklong course in Mexico that was attended by foresters from Mexico, Chile, Argentina and the Dominican Republic.

Miller began the first student chapter of the Society of Arboriculture at UWSP. Over the past 30 years he and his students have planted many of the 1,359 trees on campus.

He recently developed an agreement with MidState Technical College in Wisconsin Rapids whereby students who transfer to UWSP will be able to combine a strong technical base with a more extensive curriculum.

Twice named Outstanding CNR Professor, he received the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award.

Richard Ackley



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Richard Ackley, assistant professor of mathematics and computing, came to UWSP in 1967 as an anthropologist. He became a computer expert in 1982.

Ackley's preparation for university teaching was in anthropology. In the 1970s, after he took up computers as a hobby, he audited classes in the UWSP Mathematics Department and took summer computing classes at Oklahoma State University.

In 1982 there was a need for computing teachers at UWSP, so he switched disciplines. He has since taught database courses, software design and a variety of programming languages.

He and his wife, Kathy, have led semesters abroad, making two trips to London together.

Ann Carlson



Ann Carlson

Ann Carlson, assistant professor of mathematics, came to UWSP in 1965 as a business education teacher, but moved into the Department of Mathematics and Computing in 1985 when business education was phased out.

She retires with 36 years at UWSP and 41 years in the classroom, including teaching high school in Pulaski and New Berlin.

"I've had such wonderful students," she said. "I've

always felt that every student should leave my classroom experiencing a sense of accomplishment and knowing that I really cared about them."

In 1996, when she received the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award, her students wrote many letters of recommendation to the award committee, which touched her deeply, she said.

Her husband, Stan, is a professor of mathematics at UWSP.

Lillian Spangenberg



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Lillian Spangenberg, senior lecturer in English, came to UWSP as a "temporary lecturer" in 1974 and retired from the English Department 27 years later.

During her time on campus, she was involved with Festival of India, The Association of University of Wisconsin Faculties and College Week for Women.

A native of Great Falls, Montana, she holds degrees from the College of Great Falls and Colorado State University. Prior to coming to UWSP, she taught in Montana, Alaska and Oregon.

Her husband, Earl, is a professor of forestry and water science at UWSP.

Judith Herrold



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Judith Herrold, professor of health promotion and human development, taught at UWSP for 34 years as a specialist in the physiology of exercise and human anatomy.

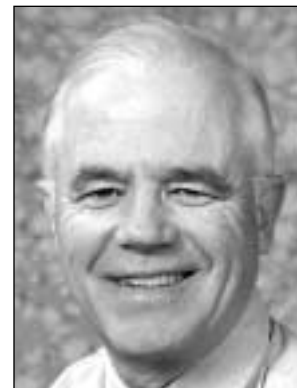
Conditions were a little austere when Herrold first came to UWSP in 1968. She says she had to write grants to buy the equipment she needed to teach her classes. She sometimes became a student herself, taking courses to help her learn how her own students learned.

Herrold has worked with faculty members from several disciplines in a bionutrition laboratory. She has taught human anatomy, exercise physiology, Yoga, CPR, first aid, relaxation, swimming, even dance.

She believes good advising is key to helping students finish their degrees in a timely fashion and spent many years advising students in a variety of majors.

Two highlights of her career were trips to Germany to visit several institutes of physiology and to China to evaluate the country's fitness programs.

Robert Brush



Robert Brush

With experience as a private landscape architect and with the U.S. Forest Service, Robert Brush, professor of forestry, brought a hands-on approach to urban forestry education.

Since coming to UWSP in 1989, Brush has involved his landscape design classes in projects at the Necedah Wildlife Refuge, on Menominee and Stockbridge-Munsee reservations, in the village of Plover, on the Green Circle

Trail in Stevens Point and at numerous residential properties. He also worked with the assistant chancellor for business affairs on landscape planning and design for the campus.

Brush has been on the editorial board of *Landscape and Urban Planning*, an international journal since 1998. In 1985 he was named a Bullard Fellow at Harvard University.

Brush and his wife, Ellie, who recently retired from the School of Communicative Disorders, plan to stay in the area.

Julie Phelps Dietche



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Julie Phelps Dietche, professor of English, who came to UWSP in 1976, has taught around the world. She was a visiting professor at Shandong University in Jinan, China, and later served as a visiting lecturer at the University of the North in Sovenga, South Africa. During a sabbatical in Nigeria, she spent two weeks in Ghana, West Africa, for the National Council for Black Studies International Conference.

She was a volunteer with the Peace Corps, training English teachers in Senegal and serving as a visiting professor at a university in West Africa. When she returned to UWSP, she created a "Survey of African Literature" course and a graduate course "African American and African Women Writers."

Dietche has researched autobiographies of black South African women and plans to complete a study that will compare these works. She presented a paper on her research at the Women's Worlds 2002 Congress in Uganda in July.

Barbara Dotts Paul



Barbara Dotts Paul

Barbara Dotts Paul, associate professor in the University Library, came to UWSP in 1967.

She has published four scholarly works, two of them with her husband, College of Letters and Science Dean Justus Paul, on the subject of Wisconsin history. The Paul's latest book, *Wisconsin History: An Annotated Bibliography*, was published as part of a series of state bibliographies by Greenwood Press in 1999.

Her other books include *The Badger State, a Documentary History of Wisconsin*; *The Germans After World War II: an English Language Bibliography*; and *The Polish-German Borderlands: an Annotated Bibliography*.

Paul is a member of the Association for the Bibliography of History, Wisconsin Library Association and the state and county historical societies. She also has been an abstractor for *America: History and Life* since 1971.

She holds degrees from UWSP, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and UW-Madison.

Daniel Kortenkamp



Daniel Kortenkamp

Daniel Kortenkamp, professor of psychology, looked forward to every class at UWSP, he said, and will miss teaching courses that have excited him for the past 36 years.

His interests include brain research, sleep and dreaming, hypnosis, meditation, mystical experiences and parapsychological phenomena. While he has not had a psychic experience himself, he says that it is the high quality of research on this topic that interests him. He developed two popular courses at UWSP, "Consciousness" and "Parapsychology." He developed the courses as the result of comments and suggestions from his students, he said, as well as the fact that the topics were not included in other psychology courses.

Kortenkamp received the Chancellor's Merit Award for Service and the University Excellence in Teaching Award while at UWSP.

William "Pete" Kelley



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Since William "Pete" Kelley, professor of communication and assistant head of the Division of Communication, joined the UWSP faculty in 1969, he has received numerous awards including the University Excellence in Teaching Award, the University Service Award and the Division Excellence in Teaching Award.

"Pete has been a tremendous asset to both his division and the college throughout his tenure," said Richard Ilkka, head of the Division of Communication. "From student matters to personnel issues, he has been a valued and trusted colleague since he joined our faculty. He will be missed."

In 1994 Kelley was selected and recognized in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. His service to the university includes many years of serving on Faculty Senate and as chair of the University Publication Board.

"One of the key benefits of teaching at UWSP has been receiving the support of both administrators and faculty to experiment with various disciplines within the field of communication," Kelley said. "I have had the good fortune to teach within my areas of expertise, rhetoric and public address, as well as in the fields of film, television and a host of other disciplines. But one of my most rewarding experiences has been working with students, especially as teaching adviser for the student newspaper, *The Pointer*." Kelley has been the adviser to *The Pointer* staff since 1987.

In recent years, audiences have heard Kelley's baritone voice announcing names at most UWSP commencement ceremonies.

Suzanne Lewis



Suzanne Lewis

Suzanne Lewis, senior lecturer in German, has taught German at UWSP for 30 years.

Her interest in German language and culture began when a German exchange student lived with her family while she was in high school. The two women have remained friends and their children have done a sort of family exchange over the years.

"I have enjoyed my students very much and I really miss them," she said. "Sharing German language and culture has been a joy. That's the only downside to retirement."

Lewis and her husband, Neil, professor and chair of history, lived in Germany for more than a year and have traveled to Germany many times, including as leaders of a UWSP semester abroad.

Dan Stewart



Dan Stewart

Dan Stewart, associate professor of music, who arrived at UWSP in 1971, is pleased with how the music department has improved in the last 30 years, especially the orchestral program.

He has conducted all of the bands at UWSP at various times in his career including the concert band, wind ensemble and marching band. He has conducted orchestras for musical productions in the Theatre and Dance Department and for community theatre.

He began playing with the Stevens Point Symphony shortly after arriving in Stevens Point. When it became the Central Wisconsin Symphony, he became its principal oboist, a position he held until recently. He also has served as associate conductor of the orchestra.

He directed the Stevens Point City Band for eight years and was one of the founding members of the Wisconsin Arts Woodwind Quintet. He also has performed with the American Ballet Theatre Orchestra and the Boston Symphony at Tanglewood and has conducted numerous orchestras throughout the state.

Coralie Wells



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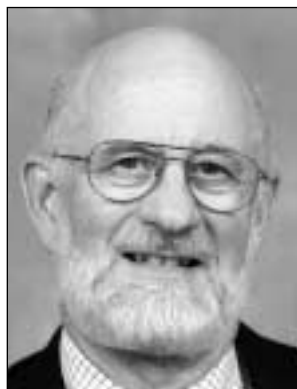
Coralie Wells, professor of psychology, has chaired the UWSP Psychology Department since 1993, overseeing the growth of the UW System's largest undergraduate psychology department. Throughout her tenure, she has fostered curriculum development focusing on minorities, women of color, women in sciences and aging.

Since joining the faculty in 1968, Wells has focused her teaching and research on

the psychology of pain, particularly on pain control in the elderly. She created UWSP's first course in the psychology of aging.

She developed and served as the first director of the Learning Disabilities Program on campus. She helped develop and led the first French and German semester abroad programs. She has been a mentor for German students at UWSP in the dual degree program with Germany's University of Magdeburg. In addition, she assisted in the development of semester abroad programs in China and Taiwan.

Dennis Nash



Dennis Nash

Dennis Nash, professor and head of the School of Communicative Disorders, has served as the head of the School of Communicative Disorders at UWSP for nine years, directed clinical services and coordinated graduate studies, for a total of 32 years at UWSP.

Nash's first assignment at UWSP was working in stroke rehabilitation at St. Michael's Hospital. His work with patients who have undergone removal of the

larynx as a result of cancer caused by tobacco use, led him to become an anti-smoking activist. He volunteers with the American Cancer Society on the state, regional and national level and works with the Portage County Tobacco Free Coalition.

He and his wife, Linda, received the St. George National Award for their combined total of more than 50 years of service to the American Cancer Society. He also has received awards from the Wisconsin Speech, Language and Hearing Association and the Council of Academic Programs for Communicative Sciences and Disorders.

William Skelton



William Skelton

William Skelton, professor of history and coordinator of social science, came to UWSP in 1969 after teaching for four years at The Ohio State University.

He has been involved with the Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies since its founding. He received the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award, the Excellence in Scholarship Award and was honored by the UWSP School of Education for his advising.

In 1991 he received the Moncado Prize from the Society for Military History.

His book, *An American Profession of Arms: The Army Officer Corps, 1784-1861*, published by the University of Kansas Press, was recognized by the U. S. Army Chief of Staff as recommended reading and by the Society of Military History as a distinguished book. He also has written several journal articles and book chapters about the military.

His wife, Gail, is an associate professor of sociology at UWSP.

Donaline Rogers



Donaline Rogers

Donaline Rogers, lecturer in chemistry, began teaching at UWSP in 1975, shortly after receiving her degree in chemistry from UWSP.

After two semesters, she took a position at the Institute for Paper Chemistry, then returned to UWSP in 1984. By that time, she had met her husband, the late Professor Dick Rogers, a former member of the UWSP communication faculty.

She has taught laboratory classes in chemistry and managed an audiovisual lab. She says she has enjoyed her career at UWSP, her colleagues and students.

Outside the classroom, Rogers does diversity preservation gardening, the practice of growing plants from antique and rare seeds. Among the vegetables she grows are kohlrabi from the Czech Republic and peas and tomatoes from Latvia. She employs an old-fashioned root cellar to store biennial plants to grow for seed in the second year.

Lynn "Max" Stewart



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Lynn "Max" Stewart, assistant professor of English, who joined the English faculty fresh out of graduate school, has retired after a 34-year career at UWSP.

He says he has enjoyed teaching contemporary and American literature, especially books by one of his favorite authors, William Faulkner.

Teaching for the Weekend College and for Upward Bound were among

his favorite experiences. He says he liked working with students of varied ages and skill levels, and found the students to be interested in the subject matter and to value education. He also speaks positively about participating several times in Faculty College where he was able to hone his teaching skills.

Music has been an important part of Stewart's life since he grew up in Fulton, N.Y. He found a home at Bernard's Restaurant in Stevens Point where he played piano and entertained for 12 years.

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Urban forestry partnership forged

In December at least six students will graduate from a new urban forestry program at Mid-State Technical College (MSTC) in Wisconsin Rapids, thanks to Ron Zillmer, '89, and Don Roppolo, master's '99. When the students graduate, they have the opportunity to transfer as juniors to UW-Stevens Point.

The two institutions signed a "2+2 agreement" last January, which allows graduates from the two-year urban forestry technician program at MSTC to move into UWSP's urban forestry major for the final two years. This is the first such agreement of its kind in Wisconsin according to Robert Miller, UWSP forestry program coordinator.

Miller worked with Zillmer and Roppolo to develop the 2+2 agreement and design the program at MSTC.

MSTC's urban forestry technology graduates can augment their comprehensive technical skills with courses at UWSP in tree biology, forestry and management and other related coursework. The curriculum was designed for a seamless transition to UWSP. They will participate in the College of Natural Resources summer camp, then pick up any general degree requirements they might be missing and complete the major.

"Combining a solid technical base at MSTC with a strong mixture of classroom and research at the university, students will have the best of both educational opportunities," Miller said. "The bachelor's degree gives students who choose to continue their education more job opportunities and an ability to advance on the career ladder."

"UWSP has given us a very high standard to meet, in addition to meeting industry standards," Roppolo said. "Most programs, including the one at UWSP, have only introductory courses in the technical areas. Students who complete the MSTC program and transfer to UWSP will be not only technically strong, they will get a good scientific background at Point. It will be a large benefit for the urban forestry workforce."

"We knew our industry needed a program like this," Zillmer said, "and we knew we wanted to have a connection with UWSP."

The field of urban forestry has expanded over the past ten years with employers such as landscape contractors, nurseries and golf courses. "With the continued urbanization of many parts of the state and the nation, urban foresters will be in increasing demand in the coming years," Miller said.

The program has had considerable success in attracting students. "When we started this program, we needed to show that we could draw 22 students in three years," Zillmer said. "There were more than 70 students enrolled in the program during the past year, and this is only our third semester."

Using state funding, Zillmer designed an urban forestry laboratory at MSTC. It has been established and equipped over the last two years. Employer partners will continue to assist with equipping the lab. Whole trees can be brought into the lab and students can practice climbing, pruning, chain saw use and safety in a real situation. Because the lab is indoors, training can go on year-round.

The most recent additions to the lab were computers equipped with software illustrating trees, pest and diseases. The computers can be used individually by students or in the classroom by the instructors.

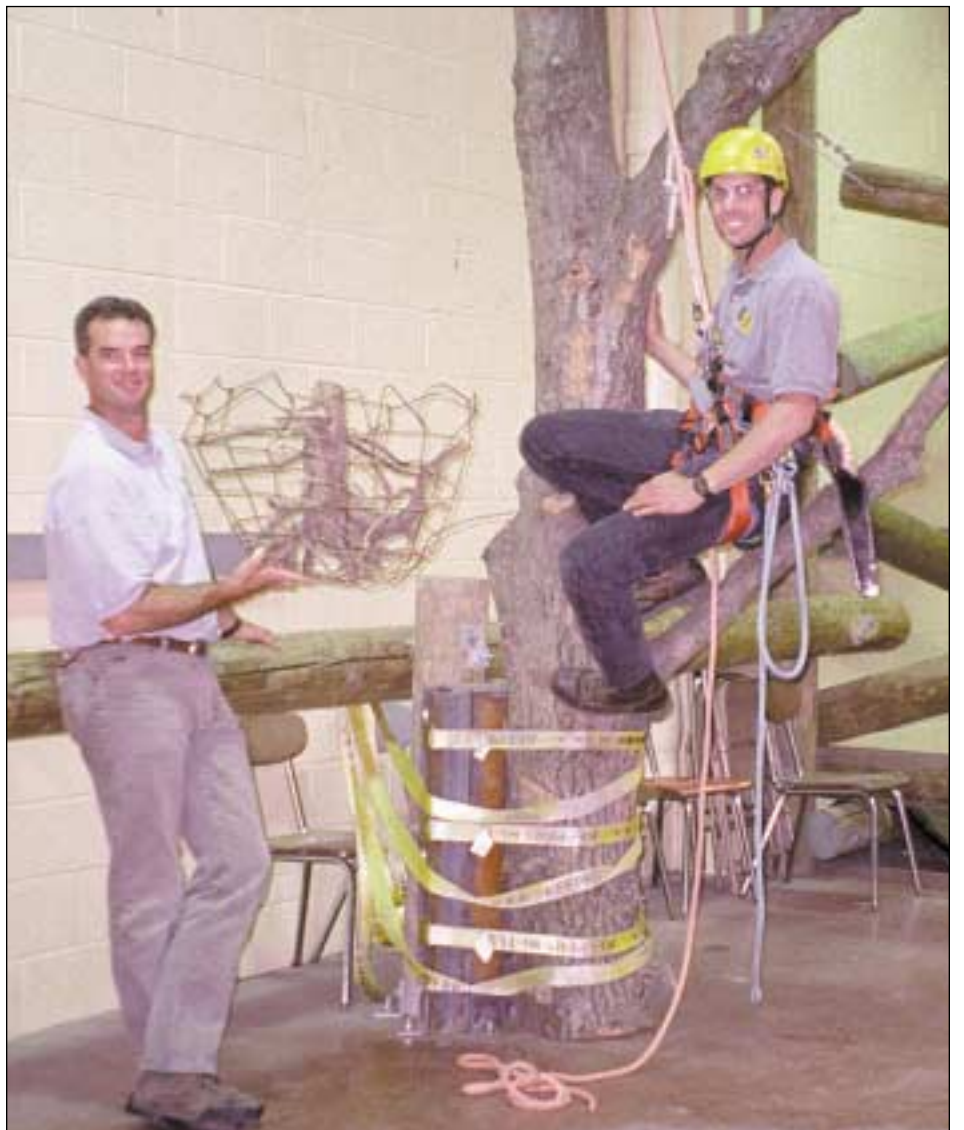
An aerial component is included in the curriculum for students who are physically and mentally capable of ascending trees. The indoor climbing facility was designed for that component and Roppolo has background and training in that area. He was employed with the city of Milwaukee doing urban forestry work and training employees before coming to MSTC. His bachelor's degree from Western Illinois University and master's degree from UWSP are both in urban forestry.

Roppolo will be moving to Chicago to work for The Care of Trees, doing tree work

and instructing new and existing employees who may not have training in urban forestry.

Zillmer previously was employed with the City of Milwaukee Forestry Division for nine years and also was a part-time instructor at Milwaukee Area Technical College. He holds a master's degree in tree physiology from Purdue University.

"The start I got at UWSP was pivotal in my career," Zillmer said. "I began working in urban forestry and went on to graduate school because of Bob Miller, and now I've completed the circle, developing this program with him."



Ron Zillmer, '89, holds a root mass he uses to teach a tree biology class and Don Roppolo, master's '99, demonstrates tree climbing in a lab they helped develop for a new urban forestry program at Mid-State Technical College. Graduates from the two-year program can transfer into UWSP's urban forestry major as juniors.

Mesenberg excels as student leader

Brooke Mesenberg, Wausau, is the recipient of a full-tuition scholarship at UWSP. Mesenberg was awarded the 15th annual Kathrin "Kitty" Saunders Sebold Scholarship, one of the premier scholarships on campus.

The Sebold scholarship is intended to reward a UWSP student who demonstrates high potential for becoming a leader in a chosen profession. It was established by D. David "Dewey" Sebold of Medford, former president and CEO of Tombstone Pizza, in memory of his wife, Kitty. A former resident of Wisconsin Rapids, Kitty worked as a social worker until her death from cancer in 1973. Kitty and Dewey both graduated from UWSP in 1968.

"Kitty and I both gained a lot from our campus experiences," Sebold said. "This was a way of giving something back. It helps today's top scholars reach their goals."

Mesenberg has maintained academic excellence throughout her career at UWSP. A 1999 graduate of Wausau Newman High School, she is a junior majoring in elementary education with a minor in English as a second language. She also received the University Leadership Award, the Dean's Distinguished Achievement Award and has a nearly perfect 3.98 grade point average.

"I am grateful for this scholarship," Mesenberg said. "It is a great honor to receive an award that recognizes not only academic excellence, but more importantly leadership and involvement in the community. Kathrin was an inspiring individual whose life came to an end all too soon, but whose enthusiasm for life and love of children will carry on with me for a lifetime."

Mesenberg has volunteered in activities with the Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA) in the Latchkey Program at Jefferson Elementary School and in Outreach to Teach. She has been a coordinator for the Association for Community Tasks tutoring program, taught at McKinley Center in the English as a second language room and was a coordinator and tutor for the Homework Center. She also volunteers with Special Olympics, the Youth in College program and is a Reading Is Fundamental coordinator.

She is treasurer of Kappa Delta Pi education honor society and has been a delegate to the state StWEA Representative Assembly. She is an English tutor in the Tutoring and Learning Center and works at The Rose Garden restaurant in Wausau.



Sebold Scholarship winner, Brooke Mesenberg, Wausau, sat with Dewey Sebold, '68, Medford, at the alumni awards banquet in May. Sebold established the scholarship in memory of his wife, Kitty, to reward UWSP students who demonstrate high potential for becoming leaders in a chosen profession.

partnerships, scholarship
and mentoring

Bogzaran pursues her dream



Dream expert, Fariba Bogzaran, '83, was introduced to her field of study at UWSP.

“I want to devote my life to the study of dreams.” That’s what Fariba Bogzaran, ’83, told UWSP psychology Professor Dan Kortenkamp in 1980. And that is exactly what she has done. Now a well-known expert on dreams, she is associate professor of consciousness studies and associate professor of arts and consciousness at John F. Kennedy University, Orinda, California, where she has been teaching since 1989. In 2000, she was appointed founding director of the dream studies program at JFKU, one of the first in the world at an accredited university, offering more than ten interdisciplinary courses on the study of dreams. Originally from Tehran, Iran, she had been studying English and art in England. She learned about Stevens Point through a childhood friend who was studying at

UWSP. Bogzaran began an art major at UWSP in 1979 and studied printmaking with Professor Herb Sandmann who became her mentor. Bogzaran’s interest in dreams led her to take a course with Kortenkamp. After a lecture on sleep and dreams, she asked him for books on the topic. He was instrumental in her study of consciousness and helped her connect with the founding members of the International Association for the Study of Dreams. She attended their first convention in the spring of 1984 in San Francisco and met the top dream researchers in the world. While a student, she was a research assistant to psychology Professor Hamid Hekmat, exploring sleep disorders such as insomnia and sleep apnea. She also had an internship through UWSP at the Marshfield Clinic sleep laboratory. “When I first came to Stevens Point, I was culture shocked,” Bogzaran said. “It felt so far away from the world I knew. But when I met a few like-minded people and became acquainted with my mentors, I realized I could not have landed in any better place. Where in the world could I have found professors like Kortenkamp, who taught consciousness studies and dreams on an undergraduate level? At which art school would I have found a professor like Sandmann, who was sympathetic and encouraging in my pursuit of the marvels in dreams? The beauty of nature in Stevens Point kept me strong, while the education I received paved my way to reach my goals.” After earning a bachelor’s degree in psychology with a minor in art, Bogzaran moved to San Francisco and worked with two world-renowned researchers. She did research in lucid dreaming with Stephen LaBerge at the Stanford University sleep laboratory for four years and collaborated with Stanley Krippner of Saybrook Graduate School and Research Center, including work on their recent book *Extraordinary Dreams and How to Work with Them*, published by State University of New York Press. Bogzaran received master’s and doctoral degrees from the California Institute of Integral Studies while pursuing a career in art, exhibiting her work and illustrating books. She founded the Association for the Study of Dreams Art Gallery and worked as a curator for 12 years organizing international exhibits on dreams, art and the inner worlds. In 1989, she met surrealist painter Gordon Onslow Ford and has written extensively about his paintings. In 1998 they founded a nonprofit organization called Lucid Art Foundation and collaborated on the book *Once Upon a Time*. Last year the Graduate School for Holistic Studies at JFKU selected Bogzaran as Outstanding Professor of the Year. She has appeared on public television to speak about dreams and has traveled the world lecturing on dreams and art. She and her husband, Daniel Deslauriers, also a psychology professor and dream researcher, live in West Marin, California.

Skyward supports alumni with jobs

Strongly rooted in Central Wisconsin, Skyward, Inc. is a 100 percent homegrown product. The company began 22 years ago when Jim King, ’68, began to develop custom computer software for school administrators. The business has grown to be an industry leader with clients in 10 states and 681 school districts. They have just added another 277 districts in Washington state. Jim started the company while his brother Cliff, ’83, was still a student at UWSP. The brothers began as programmers and did all their own marketing. Today they have moved into administrative roles and employ 43 programmers, 80 percent of them UWSP graduates. “The majority of our talent comes from Central Wisconsin,” Cliff said. Besides programmers, their employees in all departments at their Stevens Point headquarters include 63 UWSP graduates, 17 from other UW System schools and 34 who are graduates of Mid-State Technical College. They credit their success to the people who work for them. Keys to accomplishing their goal have been selecting the right people for the job, then motivating and directing them. Skyward’s goal has always been to provide comprehensive, innovative, easy to implement and cost effective software to help public and private schools manage information. Using the software, teachers can enter attendance, grades and other records directly into a district’s data processing system, giving administrators and teachers instant access to student records and schedules. Teachers also can enter requisitions for supplies on the same computer. In addition, if students use swipe cards for their lunch accounts, the software can keep track of what they had for lunch each day.

Parents can follow their student’s progress if schools choose to give them access to the records via the Internet. Parents have access to student records by law, but a computer program like Skyward’s provides a detailed, instantly accessible report. A parent’s ability to look at a child’s records can keep them more accurate, Jim said. A few news articles on CBS, CNN and others have focused on the ability of parents to keep their eye on students, perhaps a little too closely. But the reports also state that the parents like that aspect of the software and use it to a degree unexpected by administrators. “We provide the service,” Jim said. “Some schools use it and others don’t. I look at it as a window into the student’s success.” The company competes nationwide with powerful national and international companies. “We win more often than we lose,” Jim said. Skyward supplies 84 percent of Wisconsin’s public and private schools with software. They recently acquired a company in Austin, Texas, that has been distributing the software to Texas schools. In addition, they have contracted with the state of Washington to provide software to more than 90 percent of the state’s districts. As the company moves into new states, they have created programs that will



Jim, '68, and Cliff King, '83, of Skyward, Inc., a custom computer software company, began as programmers and did all their own marketing. Today they have moved into administrative roles and employ 43 programmers, mostly UWSP graduates.

produce reports to meet each state’s requirements and government standards including financial reports. “The software we produce is flexible and encompassing and we provide support,” Jim said. “It is an accumulation of ideas from thousands of users.” The brothers have established a scholarship with the UWSP Foundation for students majoring in computer information systems. Two \$500 awards are given to incoming freshmen from Central Wisconsin who intend to major in computing. Other criteria include academic achievement, community service and school leadership. This year’s recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship is Joseph Frost, 1154 Plum Road, Rudolph. “UWSP has been a positive influence on this company and since our employees are primarily alumni, it is an integral part of the company’s success,” Jim said. “We are very impressed with the young people who have gotten the awards. We have told our employees how appreciative and deserving they are.” “I believe in UWSP strongly enough to recommend it to my two children, Megan and Thomas,” Cliff said. “UWSP provided a good education for both my wife, Karen (’79), and myself.” Megan will graduate from UWSP in 2003 and Thomas is a sophomore.

Pointers capture sports titles

White takes wrestling championship



Photo courtesy NCAA

UWSP sophomore Yan White receives his medal after capturing the NCAA Division III wrestling championship.

his season with a 24-4 overall record, a finish that led the Pointers to a 12th place team finish, their highest since finishing ninth in 1998.

UW-Stevens Point sophomore Yan White, Antigo, won four straight matches and posted a pin in the championship match to capture the NCAA Division III wrestling championship at 197 pounds in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. White pinned Upper Iowa’s Cliff Thompson in 4:51 in the championship match to become the third wrestler in UWSP history to win a national title. White joins two-time winner Perry Miller, heavyweight champion in 1997 and 1998, and Bob Berceau, who won at 134 pounds in 1989.

White, seeded fourth at the weight class, completed

Softball tradition continues

The success continues for the Pointer softball program as UWSP achieved its ninth consecutive 20-win season with a 21-12 record during the 2002 campaign.

Junior Karen Guckenberger, South Milwaukee, became the winningest pitcher in school history and set a single-season school record with 143 strikeouts for the Pointers. Junior Jill Van Wychen, Kaukauna, led the WIAC with a .439 batting average.

Swimmers glide through season

It was another championship season for the Pointer men’s swimming and diving team as UWSP captured its fifth WIAC championship in six years. The Pointer women’s team finished second in the WIAC and 11th at the Division III championships. The Pointer men placed 22nd at the national meet.

Senior Christine Sammons, Hastings, Minn., was an All-American in three events and won four conference titles to lead the women’s team. Sophomore Erik Johnson, Albert Lea, Minn., was an All-American in three events on the men’s side and also captured six WIAC titles.

Baseball season best ever

With a 37-10 overall record, the 2002 season was the best-ever in the history of the UWSP baseball program. The Pointers captured the WIAC regular season and tournament championships and finished second at the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional.

Senior Bill Verbrick, Appleton, was named the Midwest Region’s Pitcher of the Year after setting WIAC single-season and career strikeout records. He also threw the first nine-inning perfect game in WIAC history in a 5-0 win over UW-River Falls on April 6.

Senior third baseman Paul Molitor, Reedsburg, had a school-record 78 hits and became the first Pointer baseball player ever to earn first-team All-American accolades.



First-team All-American baseball player Paul Molitor, a senior at UWSP, had a school-record 78 hits.

Three-peat for men’s basketball

By winning its last five regular season games, the Pointer men’s basketball team secured its third straight Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference regular season championship and finished the season with a 21-6 record.

The three straight titles give the Pointers 21 all-time WIAC championships, which is the most of any conference school.

Junior Josh Iserloth, Plymouth, averaged 20.6 points per game and became the first player in school history to score 40 points in a game, accomplishing the feat twice with 40-point efforts against UW-River Falls and UW-Whitewater.

Women’s hockey nets amazing season

In just its second season as a varsity program, the UWSP women’s hockey team put together an amazing 26-1 season, winning its last 15 games of the year and allowing only 10 goals over the span.

The Pointers won the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association regular season and tournament championships, beating UW-River Falls 2-1 in the title game. However, the league does not have an automatic berth to the NCAA Division III tournament and the Pointers did not receive a bid.

Freshman Ann Ninnemann, Rosemount, Minn., was named the first All-American in Pointer history.

Men’s track and field rises to the top

There’s strength in numbers when it comes to track and field and the Pointer men’s team proved it by placing fourth at the NCAA Division III outdoor championships despite just one athlete in the top four of any individual event.

Freshman Mark LaLonde, Park Falls, led the Pointers’ 10 outdoor All-Americans as the top finisher at fourth place in the 10,000 meters.

UWSP also placed 18th at the indoor championships as Noah Eschenbauch, Rosholt, earned All-American honors with a second place finish in the 35-pound weight throw.

Men’s hockey hot on the ice

The Pointer men’s hockey team finished its 2001-02 season as one of the hottest teams in the country, posting an 8-1-2 record over its final 11 games, suffering its only loss during the span in overtime to Division III champion UW-Superior and narrowly missing a berth to the Division III playoffs.

UWSP finished with an 18-9-1 overall record and in third place in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association with 15 freshmen on the roster.

Freshman Mike Brolsma, Appleton, led the team with 22 goals and 17 assists for 39 points.

Women’s track and field boasts outstanding athletes

Seniors Becky Lebak, Burlington, and Jody Butkowski, Stevens Point, were All-Americans in both the indoor and outdoor seasons for the Pointer women’s track and field team as UWSP placed 12th in the outdoor season and 27th at the indoor championships.

Lebak was third in the indoor 5,000 meters and sixth in the outdoor 10,000 meters, while Butkowski was seventh in the indoor triple jump and sixth in the outdoor triple jump.

Freshman Amanda Nechuta, Mosinee, was an All-American in two outdoor events, placing fifth in the shot put and eighth in the discus.

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Six inducted into Hall of Fame

Six Pointer athletes will be honored at a banquet and induction ceremony in the Alumni Room of the University Center on Saturday, Oct. 5, beginning at 6 p.m. For ticket information, contact the UWSP Alumni and University Relations Office before Oct. 1 at (715) 346-3811, toll free (877) 764-6801 or by e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu.



Craig Ewald

Craig Ewald, '88, Menomonee Falls, was Pointer football defensive end from 1984 to 1987. He was first team NAIA all-American and *Football News* first team defensive end. Both of these national honors are conferred on only two college defensive ends each year. He also was two-time all-WSUC defensive lineman and was twice named to the all-district NAIA regional team.

A sales executive for FedEx, Ewald has participated in a wide variety of cycling events and has run in numerous marathons including the Chicago Marathon in 2001.



Jimmy Henderson

Jimmy Henderson, '98, New London, holds the UWSP record with 611 rushes during his career from 1991 through 1993. He tied or broke 17 career records at UWSP including the most season touchdowns (20) and most yards in a season (1,556) and holds several UWSP records for rushing. He was named to the Associated Press Little All-American first team, *Football Gazette* first team and champion Division III first team.

While at UWSP Henderson, volunteered with Special Olympics, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and helped run youth football camps. He now manages Eagles Nest Group Home for boys in New London and helps coach seventh and eight grade basketball in Granton.



Shannon Houlihan

Shannon Houlihan, '84, Olympia, Wash., was an all-American in track and field and played field hockey. She was named UWSP Outstanding Female Athlete and Most Valuable Runner. She won the state championship for 400-meter hurdles in 1981, setting the UWSP record, which still stands. As right wing in field hockey, she was on the all-conference first team in 1980.

She is senior program director for the childcare department at South Sound YMCA, where she has worked for 13 years. She also coaches, referees and participates in athletics.



Carol Persick

Carol (Larson) Persick, '87, New Berlin, is the only all-American volleyball player in school history, playing on both the women's and co-ed teams. She was named WWIAC first team in volleyball twice and earned second team honors once. She was Most Valuable Player in 1984 and 1985 as the women's volleyball team made NCAA Division III tournament appearances both seasons.

Persick is a medical technologist at Aurora Health Care in Milwaukee.



Tiffany Strabala

Tiffany (Hubbard) Strabala, '93, Anoka, Minn., swam to conference championships in the individual medley, breaststroke and medley relay while maintaining academic honor roll status. For each of four years she competed from 1989 to 1993, she was named NAIA all-American and WWIAC all-conference. She also won the UWSP Citizenship Award and the Chancellors Leadership Award.

Strabala has been a counselor for Youth Services International, admissions counselor, high school special education teacher and boys and girls assistant swim coach. She has also done master's work at St. Cloud State University. She is now a stay-at-home parent.



Marty Loy

Marty Loy, Stevens Point, who was UWSP head wrestling coach from 1987 to 1998, was named head of the School of Health Promotion and Human Development in May. He has coached 33 conference champions and three national champions, finished in the top 10 in the NCAA nine times and won five conference titles. He has been named WIAC Coach of the Year five times and received the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award last year.

As associate professor, he specializes in stress management, counseling with bereaved children and adolescents and has coordinated the CPS Focus on Teaching Program.

Shirley Egner and UWSP: A winning combination



Shirley Egner

What does it take to win a national championship? If you ask Coach Shirley Egner, she'll tell you it's players who understand their roles, communicate, cooperate and are dedicated enough to make sacrifices for the team. That's all.

And where do you find all this, plus a team of women who are physically talented enough to carry it off? UWSP, of course.

"I have great players who have a genuine love of the game," Egner says.

The UWSP women's basketball team captured the second national championship in the school's history by defeating St. Lawrence 67-65 in the NCAA Division III national title game in Terre Haute, Ind., on March 16.

The win capped an impressive tournament run for the Pointers, who finished 30-3 overall. Egner has had only two losing seasons in 13 years at UWSP, making her the winningest coach in UWSP history. This was the 12th time in her career that Egner has led the team to a double-digit victory total. The win had added sweetness as her 200th career win.

"I could think of no better way to end my career," said Pointers' senior Kari Groshek, who totaled 12 points and nine rebounds in the title game. "It's a dream come true. To win this is unbelievable."

Groshek established a school record for points in a game with 38 against Whitewater in January. She broke the mark previously held by Jessica Ott (2000) and Sonja Sorensen (1986). The 38 points is also the highest total in the WIAC this season.

An All-WIAC First Team and All-Defensive Team selection last season, Groshek scored her 1,000th career point this year, becoming the 11th player in school history to accomplish the mark. Groshek is the first Pointer in school history to win the conference's Player of the Year honor. Pointer Andrea Kraemer also was named to the first team.

"The thing that helps the team the most is that the players are unselfish. Who gets the score and who gets the awards are unimportant," Egner said. "Bringing the unit together and helping the players define their goals and sacrifices are very rewarding. It's really what coaching is all about for me. I strive to teach them life lessons like communication, cooperation, responsibility and dedication. All of these athletes are willing to be great leaders. We wouldn't have this trophy if it weren't for their ability to understand their roles and what it takes to be a successful team. They respect and trust each other."

While Egner works on her team's offense, assistant coach Dave Petroff, who's been at UWSP for five years, works on the team's defense. Shawn Lee, an undergraduate student assistant, is "an extra pair of eyes," Egner says. He also helps with recruiting. In addition, Petroff works on the department's Web site as an assistant to Jim Strick, sports information director.

The women's basketball championship was the seventh team national title in all sports in UWSP history. Pointers took titles in 1998 in softball and 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1993 in men's hockey. The Pointer women's basketball team also won the national title in 1987. The Pointers are also the eighth Division III women's team ever to win 30 or more games in a season.

Bike or hike on your European vacation

On an Adventure Tour, the athletic tourist can experience Europe in a way that most casual tourists never will. Trips for 2003 organized through the UWSP School of Health Promotion and Human Development include bike tours of Mallorca, Ireland, Italy and Denmark, a hiking tour of Scotland, and a multi-sport program in Dominica. Credits are optional in fields such as history, wellness and art.

Itineraries of 30 to 55 miles per day for bikers and two to six miles for hikers are designed so that participants can bike or hike as little or as much as they feel able. The ambitious trekker can take to the mountains for more of a challenge. On bike trips, a van is used to transport luggage. Buses transport travelers from one locale to another on hiking trips. Accommodations include quaint and comfortable lodging and diverse cuisine.



Kathy Kruthoff, Stevens Point, and Casey Puetz, Waukesha, on a UWSP-Extension Adventure Tour, paused near Kettlewell, England, to admire a view of the Yorkshire Dales.

The schedule is as follows:

- **Mallorca** January 9-20: Spend January where cycling teams go for mild weather, excellent roads, spectacular scenery and outstanding accommodations. \$2,350
- **Dominica** (West Indies), January 10-20: A multi-sport adventure tour includes hiking in rainforests, mountain biking to tropical plantations, bird watching, snorkeling and kayaking. \$2,600
- **Ireland** June 14-29: Pedal through green hills and picturesque villages, visit friendly pubs, and explore historic castles and abbeys. Many believe the Emerald Isle is best seen from a bike. \$2,850
- **Italy** June 21-July 7 or June 24-July 10: Tour Italy's countryside by bike, visit Roman villas and medieval castles, see some of the most serene landscapes in Europe and experience great food and culture. \$3,295
- **Denmark** July 20-August 9: Bike through small towns, island villages and historic Copenhagen. Take a ferry to several islands and see rugged Danish coastlines close up. \$3,800
- **Scotland** August 1-15: Explore the enchanting islands on foot. Hike through the heather-covered highlands, see castle ruins along the trail to the home of Braveheart and visit the acclaimed Edinburgh music and heritage festival. \$2,999

To learn more about the trips, visit the Web site, www.uwsp.edu/HPHD/BikeHike, or contact Joan Schuh, (715) 346-2830 or Kim Brenegan Koepke (715) 346-4080, or e-mail bikehike@uwsp.edu.

Faculty and staff members recognized for excellence



Eric Anderson



Michael Nelson



Keith Rice



Donald Showalter



John Smith



Michael Bozek



Jianwei Wang



Marcus Fang



Gary Shulfer



Ron Strege



Linda Garski

Eight faculty members have been recognized for outstanding teaching, scholarship and service, two members of the academic staff were honored for community spirit and excellence and a classified staff member was recognized for longtime service. The 2002 honorees were nominated by colleagues and students, then chosen by university committees. They each received a monetary prize and attended a dinner in their honor with their families.

Excellence in Teaching

Eric Anderson, professor of wildlife, who came to UWSP in 1990, is described by a colleague as, “the most talented educator with whom I’ve worked in 26 years of teaching.” A former student says he is “a perfect example that excellent teachers are born not made.”

Anderson teaches wildlife courses that he developed and serves as adviser to the Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society – the largest undergraduate chapter in the U.S. He has twice been selected by students in the College of Natural Resources as Teacher of the Year.

Next spring he will lead UWSP’s first semester-long study tour to New Zealand.

Michael Nelson, associate professor of philosophy and of natural resources, is a 1988 graduate of UWSP. Since joining the UWSP faculty, he developed the environmental ethics concentration in the philosophy major.

“The popularity of environmental ethics classes is surely related to his strengths as a teacher,” says one of his students.

“Dr. Nelson inspired me to think critically—I cannot imagine a more positive contribution than motivating students to think,” says another.

Nelson has co-edited two books, written many articles, and lectured and presented papers in the West and Midwest. He has been nominated by students for the Excellence in Teaching Award each of the last three years.

Keith Rice, professor of geography/geology, has taught at UWSP for 20 years. He has developed a reputation for his work in cartography and geographic information systems (GIS).

Increasing demand for GIS courses led him to introduce a minor program. His dedication has made UWSP one of the strongest undergraduate cartography/GIS programs in the country.

“Best teacher I’ve had at UWSP” and “the most dedicated professor I know,” are some comments from students.

Rice has been recognized by the College of Letters and Science with the Distinguished Achievement Award and by his department for excellence in teaching and service. He also was UWSP’s nominee for the Regents Teaching Excellence Award.

Donald Showalter, professor of chemistry, has taught chemistry at UWSP for 29 years. He uses chemical demonstrations in the classroom, “often with spectacular results,” says the department chair.

Showalter has spent many years developing demonstrations for his classes and, with two colleagues, has taken the show on the road throughout the country.

“You get the feeling he loves what he teaches,” says a former student. “You can actually see that he is as mesmerized and excited by what he does as his students are.” He was recognized for excellence in teaching in 1994 by UW System and by UWSP in 1980.

John Smith, assistant professor of art and design, came to UWSP four years ago after teaching and working as a designer in the private sector.

“John has been able to handle extremely varied teaching schedules, and has fostered a healthy, professional and productive community in the classroom,” says the department chair. Smith directs the Design Center, a program that allows students to work on campus projects while gaining professional experience.

As adviser to the student chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts, he encourages students to compete, present and participate on a national level. He is consistently highly evaluated by his students and his peers.

University Scholar

Michael Bozek, assistant professor of natural resources, is research unit leader for the Wisconsin Cooperative Fishery Unit. Since coming to UWSP in 1994, he has generated more than \$1 million in grants for research. He has published numerous papers in national and regional journals and has organized technical workshops for professionals in his field.

Bozek has served on 40 student research committees for students who have finished their programs and most have been published in national journals. His former graduate students are all employed as fisheries professionals.

Bozek and his students have presented more than 100 papers at professional meetings and a number have won “best paper” recognition.

Jianwei Wang, associate professor of political science, has appeared nationally on PBS News Hour, FOX, National Public Radio and Nightline as an expert on China.

He came to UWSP seven years ago and has received a MacArthur Foundation Research Award, the only one in Wisconsin last year, and has conducted research in Washington, D.C., and China. Wang is associated with the Atlantic Council, a prestigious foreign affairs think tank, and regularly participates in roundtable discussions that are broadcast to the Far East for the Voice of America.

“Because of UWSP’s association with Professor Wang, the political science department has been identified as a place where important research on China takes place,” says the department’s chair.

University Service

Marcus Fang, director of foreign student programs and associate professor of psychology, has “actively recruited, nurtured, advised, taught and supported students for more than 34 years,” according to Bob Tomlinson, assistant chancellor for Student Affairs.

As director of Foreign Student Programs since 1974, Fang has helped more than 700 international students. He initiated the International Festival, later called the Portage County Cultural Festival, and was recognized for community leadership with the J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award.

“Marc was probably most challenged following September 11,” said Tomlinson. “He immediately contacted our foreign students with words of support, encouragement and advice. In addition, he contacted the students’ families around the world and assured them that their children were in a safe environment.”

Academic Staff Excellence

Gary Shulfer, instructional specialist in the Department of Chemistry, came to UWSP in 1983 and worked as a laboratory technician while earning a degree in chemistry.

He has served as lecture demonstration specialist in the Chemistry Department since 1985 and is described by the department chair as “a proponent of students and their needs in everything he does. His exuberance and joy for life carry over to the classroom.”

“Mr. Shulfer is always willing to take time to assist any student with a problem or question. His inherent charisma and sincere desire to help students have earned him affection and respect,” said his student nominator.

Academic Staff Spirit of Community Service

Ron Strege, director of Multicultural Affairs, came to UWSP in 1994. He is described by his nominators as “one of the hardest working directors on campus.” One student says, “His attentiveness and willingness to listen has been a key to me deciding to stay on this campus.”

He has been involved with the Portage County Cultural Festival since 1997, works with FABLES to present diversity programs in grade schools, and has devoted extensive time to the Hmong Tapestry Program. “Ron teaches students to appreciate our differences and to embrace everyone’s individuality. His message has a lasting impact on the students,” says a first grade teacher about Strege’s presentations.

Carolyn Rolfson Sargis Award

Linda Garski, business manager in International Programs, received the Carolyn Rolfson Sargis Award from the Classified Staff Advisory Committee. She has worked at UWSP for 28 years and has been with International Programs since 1985.

She handles all of the financial transactions of more than \$2 million in accounts each year. She has often visited UWSP’s European study sites, assisted groups on their entry tour to Poland and led a group through the entry tour of East and Central Europe. She also helped bring several Polish speakers to UWSP.

Recognized by the Student Government Association for “continued service and dedication to students,” she has twice been named a Student Employer of Distinction.

The Sargis award, named for the late Carolyn Rolfson Sargis, a UWSP business manager who worked under seven chancellors, recognizes classified staff members who demonstrate outstanding and dedicated service and special contributions to UWSP.



Class Notes

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

2000s

Molly Mann, '01, Valencia, Calif., is a graduate student at California Institute of the Arts. She says, "To say how UWSP changed my life would fill a novel. The professors made a huge difference in my life. They all made such a concentrated investment in my education and in me personally. They are my teachers, my mentors, my heroes and my friends. They inspire the best in their students."

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● Six graduates of UWSP worked together on the major motion picture, *National Lampoon's Van Wilder*. **Steffen Schachtenhaufen**, '00, a production assistant and storyboard artist, appears in the film as a bartender and as a student. **Kelly Hayes**, '00, a production assistant, has a small speaking role at the end of the film as the Luau Party Guy. **Migan Litwin**, '98, a production assistant, has a role as the Hotter Senior that was cut from the film, but remains in the DVD version. **Sean Brennan**, '01, plays Shoshone DIK (DIK being a fraternity). **Dave Vandermeuse**, '00, plays a member of the nerdy Lambda fraternity, and is referred to as "Cowboy" by Ryan Reynolds, who portrays Van Wilder. Former UWSP swim team member **Billy Taylor**, '00, is seen hanging out in various scenes. ● Schachtenhaufen has worked as production assistant on television shows and was a location assistant for the film, *Rockstar*. ● He also is a storyboard artist on the upcoming film, *The Sure Hand of God*. Taylor has worked as a production assistant on several television shows, the 2001 MTV Movie Awards and in the upcoming film, *The Painting*. He also was an assistant cameraman in the 2001 film, *Control*. ● Schachtenhaufen, Taylor and Hayes are collaborating on a short feature entitled *Hector*, due out this year. More information about the people who worked on it can be found by doing a search on *Van Wilder* at www.imdb.com.

● Excerpted from an article in the Pointer by arts and review editor Zack Holder.

Rick Cornette, '00, New York,



N.Y., performed in Milwaukee in July with the national tour of *Mamma Mia* and will be at the Fox Cities Performing Arts Center in Appleton from Jan. 21 to Feb. 2. The musical weaves the 1970s hit songs of the rock group ABBA into a romantic love story set on a Greek Island.

Katherine Micksch, '00, Boston, Mass., received a master's degree from the University of Massachusetts-Boston in June. "The English Department prepared me for a very successful graduate school experience," she says. "Also, I was a member of the swim team for four years; an experience that I still draw from daily."

Aaron Felske, '00, will move to Las Vegas in December to appear in a new Celine Dion show that will open March 23 at the new Coliseum Theater at Caesar's Palace. During the summer Felske rehearsed in Belgium, receiving instruction in gymnastics, ballet, modern dance, acting, singing and improvisation. "It is intense and exciting," he said, "and maintains my creative happiness." The unique 90-minute show, a collaboration between Dion and the creators of Cirque du Soleil, will incorporate all forms of dance with acrobatics, contortionism and acting. Dion will carry most of the vocals, but the cast will also have a chance to show off, he said. At press time, Felske didn't know where he would fit in the show, since rehearsals were just beginning. "Thanks to my training at Point I am confident enough in my abilities as a performer to not worry about it," he said. Ticket prices may be upwards of \$100. For more information, or just to say hello, contact Felske at Fossefelske@aol.com.

Kelly Hilgers, '00, Hartland,



is a writer and account executive for Charleston/Orwig, Inc., a marketing firm. She recently completed phase one of the Young Dairy Leaders Institute (YDLI) in Tampa, Fla. YDLI, a national leadership and communications skills development program for young adult agricultural participants, is a program of the nonprofit Holstein Foundation.

Sherri Pallen, '00, Grand Forks, N.D., a graduate student at the University of North Dakota, received the \$1,000 Thompson Scholarship for Women in Safety from the American Society of Safety Engineers Foundation. She is president of Epsilon Phi Tau Honor Fraternity and is a graduate service assistant at the safety office at the university.

Bunmi "Boomer" Olatunji, '00, Fayetteville, Ark., is a graduate student at the University of Arkansas. He presented a study on homophobia at the American Psychological Society convention in New Orleans in June.

1990s

Michelle Diring, '99, West Palm Beach, Fla., is a dance instructor and choreographer for Fusion Force Dance Company in Lake Worth and for Creative Dance Center Company in Boca Raton. She teaches jazz, hip-hop, tap, modern and ballet to students who have placed highly in national dance competitions. She hopes to return to the Green Bay area soon.

Krys Bronk, '99, New Orleans, a Tulane University chemistry graduate student, was one of 27 outstanding young researchers selected by the U.S. Department of Energy to attend the 52nd annual convention of Nobel Laureates in Lindau, Germany. Nobel Laureates in chemistry, physics, physiology and medicine convene annually in Lindau for informal meetings with students and young researchers from around the world.

Carley Daiker, '98, Waukesha, received a doctor of medicine degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin in May and began a urology residency at the Loyola University Affiliated Hospitals in Maywood, Ill.

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—Eric Pitsch, '97

Samuel Parks, '98, Belgium, received a doctor of medicine degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin in May and began an anesthesiology residency in the UW-Madison program.

Christopher Schmidt, '97, Little Chute, works at Virchow, Krause and Company. After earning a degree in accounting at UW-Oshkosh, he passed the CPA exam.

Serena (Paulson) Adler, '97, Rhinelander, is a youth coordinator at Forward Service Corporation, working with low income and disabled young people on career exploration.

Eric Pitsch, '97, Neenah, graduated from law school and holds a master's degree from UW-Milwaukee. "Without the guidance of psychology Professor Doug Henderson, I wouldn't be where I am today. If it's the goal of professors to make a difference in one student's life, he has done it. Stevens Point is a model university with excellent professors who really do care."

Brooke Furmanek, '97, Pittsburgh, Penn., is associate area director of Elderhostel, a nonprofit organization that provides learning adventures to people ages 55 and older. Elderhostel offers programs in all 50 states and in more than 100 countries around the world. There are several Elderhostel program sites in Wisconsin including UWSP's Treehaven Environmental Center. For more information visit www.elderhostel.org.



Alumni of Tau Gamma Beta met in July for a reunion. Those attending are, left to right, Marcy (Skalski) Kolacke, '58, Edina, Minn.; Darlene (Schimke) Rogers, '57, Neenah; Connie (Weber) Wade, '57, Poynette; Goldene (Schmoker) Purcell, '57, Stevens Point; Pat (Reading) Curry, '58, Wisconsin Rapids; Margie (Christ) Burns, '57, Neenah; Betty (Hurlbut) Kessler, '58, Waupaca; Karen (Beebe) Engelhard, '59, Stevens Point; Lolly (Schlack) Daun, '57, Madison; Louella (Murdock) Wesolowski, '58, Rothschild; and Pat (Sroda) Hanes, '57, Baraboo. Also attending was Jean (Getchell) Lange, '57, Stevens Point.



Last year at Homecoming, the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon met at Buffy's Lampoon on the Square in Stevens Point. Pictured, from left to right, are Dawn Schlipp, '92, Milwaukee; Melissa Kmichik, '93, Milwaukee; Jen Brokmeier, '94, Whitewater; Shar Knuth, '94, Glen Ellyn, Ill.; Jody Marver, '94, Lake Geneva; and Elizabeth (Ostrowski) Kohnle, '91, Tisch Mills.

Jason Hoffman, '97, Madison, is chief operations officer of Mixdown Media Exchange, a Web site for trading DVDs, CDs and video games. The company's Web address is www.mix-downmedia.com.

Amy (Chagnon) Crowe, '96, Madison, is marketing supervisor at CUNA Credit Union, a nonprofit financial institution based in Madison. She received second place for development of

a radio commercial in the 2002 Credit Union Executive Society Golden Mirror Awards. The award highlights excellence and innovation in marketing, public relations and advertising for credit union executives nationwide. In 2000 she became a certified credit union development educator, one of 400 in the country. She specializes in educating youth about the benefits of money management and financial responsibility. She and her

husband, **Jesse**, last attended '95, were married in 1996.

Aaron Best, '95, Saint Paul, Minn., received a medical degree from Saint George's University School of Medicine in Grenada, West Indies, and is a resident at the University of Minnesota School of Medicine, specializing in internal medicine. Before entering medical school, he worked in the Center for Medical Genetics at the Marshfield Medical Research Foundation.

Scot Anderson, '95, Green Bay, has been manager and part owner of the Northpoint Lounge since 2000. He invites all of his UWSP friends to stop by and say "hi."

Janine Dahlke, '94, Cross Plains, is human resources manager for a transportation company. She is an active member of the Greater Madison Area Society for Human Resources Management. She will be married in October to Michael Edwin whom she met during her six-year career as human

resources manager for Target Corporation.

Connie Kolita, master's '94, Cincinnati, Ohio, was designated as Accredited in Public Relations (APR) from the Universal Accreditation Board.



Connie Kolita

Administered by the Public Relations Society of America, APR is a mark of distinction for public relations professionals, demonstrating commitment to excellence. Candidates must be employed in public relations full time for at least five years and pass an eight-hour written exam and an hour-long oral exam. Kolita finished her 10th 26.2-mile marathon in April. Her three-year-old Shiba Inu dog, Nakita, has trained for several marathons as well and appeared on a local TV news program because of her love for long-distance running. Kolita would like to hear from friends by e-mail at KolitaCM@fhlbcin.com.

Debra Fullmer, '93, La Crosse, is training and development specialist with Telephone and Data Systems in Madison and has been a professional speaker for seven years.

Sean Popelka, '93, Wausau, is investment executive at Stifel, Nicolaus and Company, a brokerage and investment banking firm. He also is treasurer of the Wausau Area Jaycees and is on the Board of Directors of the Wausau Skeet and Trap Club. He and his wife, Becky, have one child.

John List, '92, Silver Spring, Md., is serving on the staff of the Council of Economic Advisors to President Bush. He is a professor of agricultural and resource economics in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources at the University of Maryland. His research on issues in economics, which focuses on environmental and resource problems, has received numerous awards and has been cited in *Nature* and *Business Week* magazines.



John List

Robert Schmidt, '92, Green Bay, is owner and business manager of Dalla Riva Designs, a graphic design business he and his wife, Sara, started in January. They were married in June.

Jennifer (Sevcik) Kennedy, '92, Green Bay, is team coordinator at Schneider Logistics. She and her husband, Brett, have one daughter.

Lisa (Tomko) Sveum, '92, La Crosse, is owner and operator of Blue Iris Graphics, a Web design company. Her business Web address is www.blueirisgraphics.com. Her husband, **Colin**, '90, is a wildlife biologist for the U.S. Geological Survey.

Elizabeth (Weiland) Grams, '91, Green Lake, is a part-time early childhood teacher for the Berlin school district. She has two sons and says, "I'm still running."

Gary Brilowski, '91, Wausau, weekend sports anchor at WAOW-TV9, won first place in the Wisconsin Broadcasters Association Award for Excellence in Sports Reporting. He enjoys covering Pointer sports and says a highlight for him was covering the Pointer men's basketball team win at the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament in River Falls. He was news director at WSPT Radio before going to WAOW in 1996. He also plays trivia for "the world's best trivia team."

Brian Blahnik, '91, Madison, is senior human resources consultant at Kiesling Consulting, an accounting and business consulting firm. In 1994 he was designated as a professional in human resources from the Certification Institute of the Society for Human Resources Management.



Brian Blahnik

Tim Rueth, '90, Neillsville, is middle school principal for the Neillsville school district. His wife, **Jodi (Olson)**, '92, is an elementary music teacher for the Colby school district. They have three children.

1980s



Bill Salvin

Bill Salvin, '89, Norfolk, Va., was recalled for Operation Enduring Freedom/ Noble Eagle in October and is a public affairs officer at United States Joint Forces Command in Norfolk, Va. In January he was sent to Guantanamo Bay.

Paul Nygro, '89, Los Angeles, Calif., works at Universal Studios. He has performed on stage and television for 13 years. He says, "UWSP's amazing musical theatre program was the perfect preparation and training for a career in the arts. Without the opportunities the program offered me as a performer all those years ago, I would not have developed the skills required to compete in this most competitive field of entertainment."

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Paul Nygro—'89



Tom Charlesworth, '87, Stevens Point, a media specialist at UWSP, was honored in the University Photographer's Association of America tenth annual slide competition. He won first place in the news category for a photo of three students sharing a solemn moment during UWSP's remembrance ceremony for victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. He also won first place in the personal vision category for a photo of a kayaker. He won the second and third place prizes in the science and research category for a photo of students at the UWSP Speech and Hearing Clinic and for a photo of Professor Jim Hardin.



Doug Moore, master's '89, Stevens Point, photography program manager and an instructor in natural resources at UWSP, won third place in the University Photographer's Association of America tenth annual slide competition in the personal vision category for a photo he took last fall at Bond Falls near Paulding, Mich., in the Upper Peninsula.

Jessica Thomson, '88, received a doctorate in mathematics from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.



James Burns, '88, Kalamazoo, Mich., is president of Wildlife Wranglers, a wildlife management business that provides humane removal of wild animals such as bats, skunks, moles and woodchucks. His wife, Amy, and their triplets are active in his business. He also is director of Trinity Creation Education Center in Paw Paw, Mich.

Kim Trebatoski, '86, Fort Myers, Fla., is a principal environmental planner for Lee County. She started a native plant recovery and replanting effort called RARE, that moves plants from development sites to parks. A major partner with the Coccoloba Chapter of the Native Plant Society and Lee County Parks, they have created an educational habitat park at Manatee Park in Fort Myers. She has lived in Fort Myers for five years with her son.

Michael Bie, '86, Madison, wrote *Classic Wisconsin Weekends*, a travel guide published by *Wisconsin Trails*. His Web site, www.classicwisconsin.com, looks at travel, history and culture in Wisconsin. In addition to numerous writing credits, he has served as public relations coordinator for AAA Wisconsin for eight years.

Cynthia Coulthurst, '85, Schofield, is executive director for the Wausau Community Theatre (WCT). She can be seen as the Queen at the Wausau Renaissance Festival in July as well as doing acting, directing and choreography for plays with WCT and promoting the theater to community groups.

Joel Seewald, '85, Madison Heights, Mich., is science and engineering librarian at the University of Michigan in Dearborn. He holds a master's degree from Wayne State University.

Jim Buchholz, '76, Plymouth, has written a new book, *Wild Wisconsin Notebook*, published by Prairie Oak Press of Black Earth. The book contains 144 short nature essays organized by the months of the year. The essays, which are illustrated with line drawings, feature a wealth of information on the flora and fauna of Wisconsin. The book is available at bookstores, museums and nature centers including the UWSP bookstore and at Schmeeckle Reserve. It also may be ordered directly from Trails Media Group 1-800-236-8088 or on the Internet at www.trailsbooks.com. Prairie Oak Press is a new imprint from the same people who publish *Wisconsin Trails Magazine*.

Buchholz has been employed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for 25 years and serves as natural resource supervisor at Kohler-Andrae State Park near Sheboygan and Harrington Beach State Park in Ozaukee County. He writes a bi-weekly nature column for *The Sheboygan Press*, as he has done for the past 10 years.

He and his wife, Kathy, have three children, all in college. Their daughter, **Kristine**, who plans to receive her bachelor's degree in 2002 from UWSP, was named the Health Promotion and Wellness Student of the Year for 2001-2002. Their son, **Jim Jr.**, '00, plans to complete a master's degree in environmental education and interpretation at UWSP in 2002. He is employed at Schmeeckle Reserve and teaches university classes for the interpretive program. He received the College of Natural Resource's Student of the Year Award for 2001-2002.



Chris Fleming, '85, Green Bay, is vice president of technology services for Skyline Technologies, a custom software firm. He joined Skyline in 1997 as a software designer.

Sheryl (Zomchek) Klein-Wassink, '83, Port Washington, has been an alcohol and other drug abuse counselor for eight years with ARO Counseling Centers in West Bend. She and her husband, Chris, were married in August 2001.

Terry Porter, '85, is an assistant coach with the Sacramento Kings. After a 17-year playing career in the National Basketball Association, the two-time All Star player spent the past three seasons as a member of the San Antonio Spurs. A first-round draft pick by the Portland Trail Blazers in 1985, he also played with the Minnesota Timberwolves and the Miami Heat. His boss, Rick Adelman, was his coach for two years in Portland when the Trail Blazers went to the NBA finals. He played 1,274 career games, averaging 12.2 points and 5.6 assists.

Rob Wessberg, '82, Wales, is assistant superintendent of state parks for the Wisconsin DNR in Eagle. He previously worked for 16 years for the state parks in Oregon. His wife, **Deb (Gilkey)**, '84, is a registered nurse at Froedtert Hospital in Milwaukee.

Sara LaBorde, '80, masters '83, Olympia, Wash., is special assistant director for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. She has lobbied government personnel on the issues of salmon restoration, tribal matters and environmental issues.

1970s

Bernadette Mayek-Stiebs, '79, master's '88, Waupaca, has enjoyed 20 years of teaching and is now enjoying retirement. A nontraditional student, she attended UWSP for 12 years part time and was in the same mathematics class as her daughter. "Needless to say, my daughter got a better grade," she says and adds, "UWSP faculty members were always helpful and considerate to a nontraditional student."

Jodi Engum Kryshak, '79, Amherst, is executive director of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra (CWSO). She also is executive director of the Lettie Jensen Memorial Community Center in Amherst and the Portage County Arts Alliance. Her husband, **Mark**, '79, is a band director and plays second trombone with the CWSO.

Susan Lueders, '78, Mequon, received certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards in November 2001. She is one of 74 Wisconsin



teachers to earn this professional credential. "This was my personal Mount Everest to climb with regard to my teaching practice," she says. She has been teaching U.S. history and American government at Homestead High School in the Mequon-Thiensville school district for 13 years. Her husband, **Paul Wawak**, '78, is a sales representative for Gourmet Award Foods in Milwaukee. They have one son.

Mary Lou (Koch) Santovec, '78, Jefferson, runs a successful freelance writing and editing business. She also has co-authored two books *1,001 Commonly Misspelled Words: What Your Spell Checker Won't Tell You*, published by McGraw Hill, and *Americana in 1/12 Scale: 50 Authentic Projects*, published by the Guild of Master Craftsman Publishers in England. She also works part time for the *Waukesha Freeman* newspaper and runs a memoirs class at the Jefferson Senior Citizen Center. She formerly worked for seven years with a higher education publisher in Madison and a publisher of hobby magazines in Waukesha. For two years she taught in Catholic schools and for 10 years was in college admissions at Cardinal Stritch College, Milwaukee School of Engineering and Alverno College.

Spencer Prokop, '78, Dallas, Texas, received a Silver Award in the fantasy/science fiction category at the 35th Annual WorldFest-Houston International Film Festival, for *Double 7*, the screenplay he wrote with John Wright. The play recounts the adventures of a man cursed with supernaturally good luck who becomes a secret agent for a mystical organization fighting the forces of evil. Prokop is well known on the Dallas performing scene for his stage, film, television and improvisational comedy work and is a scriptwriter for corporate video.

Kevin Frailey, '77, Nampa, Idaho, is conservation education supervisor for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in Boise. He previously worked for 18 years for the Michigan United Conservation Clubs in Lansing, Mich.

James Habeck, '76, Shawano, is circuit court judge for Shawano and Menominee counties. He previously performed judicial duties part time and worked part time for 15 years for the Wisconsin Towns Association. His wife, **Penny (Gillman)**, '76, heads the audio-visual department at the Shawano City County Library.

Don Bogdanske, '75, master's '78, Green Lake, has taught biology and advanced biology for 24 years and is science chair in the Ripon school district. He also has coached cross country and track with successes in several state qualifiers and championships. He has garnered more than \$30,000 in grants for equipment in his schools. He has given numerous presentations at local, state, regional and national conventions. He and his wife, Wendy, have two children.

Craig Strohm, '74, Grass Valley, Calif., a Nevada Union High School history and English teacher, was voted Coach of the Year in California in 1994. His first novel, *Comeback*, published by Blue Dolphin, is available in bookstores and at www.amazon.com. His second novel is due to be out this winter. He says "Hello to all my old friends from the Wisconsin River Yacht Club." He can be reached at cdglstrohm@nccn.net.

James LaMar, '73, Stevens Point, has retired after 27 years in law enforcement. He began his career as a deputy with the Portage County



Sheriff's Department in 1979 after four years with the Stevens Point Police Department. He served as an investigator before becoming captain of operations three years ago. He volunteers for the Festival of the Arts and the Backcourt Club. He and his wife, Nancy, who works at UWSP, have two children. They enjoy Pointer athletics and cultural events on campus and traveling to Germany to visit their twin grandchildren.

Georgette (Petrotta) Jeppesen, '73, Rancho Cordova, Calif., is editor in chief of the Sacramento City College newspaper, *The Express*. She has had articles published in *The Express* as well as in area magazines and newsletters. She previously worked for several years in the health care industry as a business and senior systems analyst. She and her husband, Clark, have one son.

John Davies, '73, Menomonie, has owned Party Hits! Music and Light Show, a mobile disc jockey service for 15 years.

Dean Hoffman, '73, Milwaukee, is practice leader of the employee benefits division at T.E. Brennan Company, an independently owned management consulting firm. Hoffman serves on the board of directors of the Wisconsin Association of Health Underwriters and has served as their state membership chair for the past two years. He previously was regional manager of Trustmark Insurance Company, a nationally recognized mutual life and health insurer.

Michael Dombeck, '71, master's '74, Plover, is Global Environmental Management (GEM) pioneer professor at UWSP and a UW System Fellow of Global



Conservation. He received the 2002 Audubon Medal from the National Audubon Society for his dedication to managing federal lands and natural resources in the long-term public interest as U.S. Forest Service Chief from 1997-2001. National Audubon Society President John Flicker called him "one of the most respected conservationists of our time." Dombeck writes for popular and scholarly publications on conservation policy and current issues and has written a book, *Watershed Restoration: Principles and Practices*. He has made frequent national and international scientific presentations including guest lectures on conservation issues. He makes presentations about the UWSP GEM project to a variety of groups. Last fall he taught "Global Issues in Conservation" as a graduate seminar for UWSP and UW-Madison students using distance-learning technology. He and his wife, Patricia, have one daughter who attends college in Virginia.

Donald Williams, '71, Hampshire, Ill., is industrial hygiene supervisor for the Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs-Industrial Services Division. He presented a nationally published study on silica exposures in the ready mixed concrete industry and published an article on silica exposures in the tuck-pointing industry. Previously he worked for Milwaukee County's Air Pollution Control Department and the Wisconsin DNR, serving as the section's quality assurance coordinator.

Bruce Ginzl, '70, Janesville, owner of Johnson Insurance, serves in District One on the Independent Insurance Agents of Wisconsin's board of directors, which honored him with the Committee Chairman of the Year Award in 2000. He also was a member of the Continental Insurance's Agent Advisory Panel. He is vice president of the board of directors of Kandu Industries, which offers a positive work environment for the physically and mentally disabled.

Elizabeth (Hughes) Dalton, '70, Pardeeville, taught grades one through eight for 25 years and in rural schools for five years. She and her husband, Charles, have two sons.

1960s

Mary (Zabolio) McGrath, '69, Burnsville, Minn., received the Frank Wood Award for outstanding contributions in the field of behavior disorders from the Minnesota Chapter of the Council for Children with Behavior Disorders. She retired in January from Bloomington Public Schools after 31 years of teaching special education. She now gives lectures based on her book, *Teachers Today: A Guide to Surviving Creatively*, published by Corwin Press. She recently was elected to the board of the Minnesota Chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children. Since retiring she has been writing and traveling abroad.

James Best, '65, Johnson Creek, works for Fleming Foods in Waukesha. His wife, **Virginia "Ginger" (Clay)**, '67, teaches mathematics at Watertown High School.

John Osterman, '64, Campbellsport, has retired after 38 years of teaching in Campbellsport schools. He and his wife, Carol, have five children and six grandchildren.

David Peplinski, '63, Custer, has retired as the assistant manager of the UWSP University Store and Text Rental. He was hired as a book department manager in 1965, the same year the combined bookstore and text rental area was built. Since 1965, his wife, **Judy**, '62, has taught English at UWSP and worked in the Tutoring-Learning Center. They have two grown sons.

David Karraker, '61, Portland, Maine, retired in December 2000 after 16 years as a research associate at the Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service. He is now a consultant to the Cultural Policy Center at the Harris School of Public Policy Studies at the Univeristy of Chicago and assists the Mississippi Arts Commission in developing a five-year strategic plan. He previously worked with the Chicago Commission on Human Relations to eliminate racial discrimination in housing, hospitals and employment. He also edited a public welfare journal and served as planning director for the United Way. He has published short fiction and co-authored the musical *The Magnolia Club* which opened Chicago's Victory Gardens Theater in 1973.

Louise (Rasmussen) Olszewski, '60, Withee, has written a unique cookbook based on ten years of Rosholt family genealogy and ties to the farms of ancient Norway. In 2000, she published *A Taste of Family Food and Tales*, which includes family recipes, stories and a section for a personal family health history. The cookbook is available at www.rosholt.org. She has been special services coordinator at Clark County Health Care Center in Owen since 1989 after leaving teaching. She and her husband, Frank, have been married 39 years.

1950s

Janet Johnson, two-year certificate '54, bachelor's '68, Bowler, retired after 36 years of teaching. She taught elementary school until 1995 then worked part time in the primary computer lab. She and her husband, Doug, have two children who both graduated from UWSP, **Candace Wamboldt**, '80, Bowler, and **Doug Jr.**, '82, Eland.

1930s

Sophie (Zynda) Staneslowski, '36, Menasha, taught for five years then married Harry Staneslowski, now deceased. They operated Stanes Shop Rite, a Roundy's supermarket, for 50 years.

Dorothy Griesser, '32, and **Eleanor (Griesser) Olsen**, '32, Hudson, are twins who both taught in country schools near Medford for two years. Dorothy then taught first grade in Taft, Calif., for 40 years. Eleanor was the pioneer kindergarten teacher at Immanuel Lutheran School in Medford for six years. Eleanor says that staying in Nelson Hall made an indelible impression. Her son and grandson are UWSP graduates: **Charles Olson**, '66, and **Karl Olson**, '96.



Chancellor George on the keyboard and Music Department Chair Bob Kase on trumpet (center) led a jazz jam session with two UW-Green Bay Jazz Studies students, Luke Thomas on guitar and A.J. Kluth on saxophone with Kaukauna High School band director, John Quigley on trumpet (far right). The UWSP Northeast Wisconsin Alumni Chapter sponsored the event at Titledown Brewing Company in Green Bay.

Ray Stroik, '57, Stevens Point, received a master's degree in theology at age 71 from the University of California at Berkeley in May. He was assistant archivist at UWSP's Nelis Kampenga Archives from 1980 to 1993. He went to Berkeley for one year on a sabbatical program, but after returning for a second year, he decided on a degree program. He has had hundreds of open letters published in the *Stevens Point Journal*. He visited Ground Zero in New York on a weeklong spiritual pilgrimage last January. In the 1980s Stroik helped establish the Brother James Miller Award to recognize those who work for peace and justice and was selected to receive the award in 1993.



Ray Stroik

One hundred cities in 65 days

Life with the Olympic Torch

During a 65-day trip to more than 100 cities across the U.S., the Olympic flame was carried by more than 12,000 torchbearers, assisted by at least two UWSP alumni. The flame traveled by foot, car, bike, boat, wheelchair, train, plane, bobsled, jetski and sleigh.

Among the entourage that escorted the flame across the continent to Salt Lake City was Khara Lintel, '00. One of the torchbearers was Phil Jerg, '74, Racine.

"Imagine a huge race across the country, scheduled minute by minute," Lintel said. "There was no room for falling behind."

Lintel was part of a team underwritten by one of the promotional sponsors of the Olympics. They stayed about 15 minutes ahead of the flame during the entire relay across the continent.

The flame was passed to individual torch bearers like Jerg, each running with his or her own torch.

"Despite the fact that each of us had two minutes in the limelight that afternoon, it seemed like two hours," Jerg said.

Each runner carried the torch one tenth of a mile, lighted the torch of the subsequent runner, then the individual torch was extinguished.

The Salt Lake Organizing Committee then removed the propane canister from the extinguished torch. It must never burn again to maintain its Olympic sanctity.

An entourage of more than 500 people travels as a mobile unit, almost a small community on the road, Lintel said. On a typical day they were on their way by 3:30 a.m. In constant motion until about 10 p.m., they would get to bed at about 12:30 or 1:00 a.m. After two or three hours of sleep, they were on the road again at 3:30 a.m.

"Our job was to pump up the crowds," Lintel said, "to make sure everyone was having a good time and, of course, to promote the corporate sponsor." Although she didn't walk the entire route, she was outdoors most of the time. "We traveled on specially designed vehicles handing out free goodies and getting the crowd on their feet and ready to cheer on torch runners like Phil."



Phil Jerg and his wife, Karen, (above) hold an Olympic torch that he carried through Racine surrounded by an entourage of supporters (right).



Khara Lintel

Scott Mori, '64, Bronx,, N.Y., has been with the New York Botanical Garden since 1980 and was named the Nathaniel Lord Britton Curator of Botany at the garden in 1998. Previously, he was curator of the Summit Herbarium in Panama, the herbarium of the Cocoa Research Center in Bahia, Brazil, and was a Mellon Fellow with the Smithsonian Institution for six months. He earned master's and doctoral degrees at UW-Madison and taught botany and zoology at UW-Marshfield. "My undergraduate training has been the guiding force behind much of what I do," he says. "My primary goal is the preservation of the tropical rain forests in which I work, and I thank UWSP for instilling me with an interest in environmental conservation." Mori is interested in the way plants evolve along with their pollinators and seed dispersers, particularly the Brazil nut family, lowland Amazonian plants and pollinators such as bats. Much of his recent work has been in central French Guiana. A Web site, www.nybg.org, details his work in these areas and the ecotours he has led with his wife, Carol Gracie. He and his collaborators have published an illustrated *Guide to the Vascular Plants of Central French Guiana*. Mori also has published more than 160 scientific papers.



TAZ Farm is all organic



Trish Zdroik

health benefits of low-fat beef rich in Omega-3 as well as using flaxseed as feed. In addition to beef cattle and poultry, TAZ Family Farms has a large organic garden plus acres of strawberries, Omega flaxseed, soybeans and wheat. Plans are underway for a wheelchair accessible salad garden and fragrance garden for the visually impaired.

Zdroik has written several children's books about sustainable agriculture and living with a disability and has used her farm to provide a multitude of educational activities open to area schools and families. In the spring, a group of second grade students from Rosholt participated in "Project Pumpkin," planting pumpkins they will harvest in the fall, carve and give to the elderly. Other programs offered are the "Annual Harvest and Nutrition Days" Oct. 26-27; "Green Christmas" Nov. 30-Dec. 1; "Magical Spring" in April; "Strawberry Festival" July 2003 and "Wild Crafter Tour" next fall.

Committed to building strong relationships and creating a sense of community among those with whom she does business, Zdroik has formed a coalition of like-minded farmers and crafters who work together to produce organic and homemade products. They use a barter system, trading goods and services.

Pull up to Trish Zdroik's farm and you will see three barefoot blond boys chasing after chickens, cuddling rabbits and tending ducklings. But boys and poultry are not all that Zdroik nurtures. Zdroik, '89, proprietor of TAZ Family Farms, 10144 State Road 66, Rosholt, runs 10 acres of chemical free crops alongside her husband Tom's hormone-and antibiotic-free beef cattle. Starting four years ago with a deficit of \$60,000, she now operates with a profit and was named Wisconsin's 2002 Emerging Small Business Person of the Year by the Small Business Administration. UWSP Extension's Small Business Development Center nominated her for the award. Despite her success, Zdroik says she has "no drive for ego" and desires to live moderately. Her goal is to develop a strong community dedicated to family, caring for the environment and producing healthy foods.

Spurred on by their son Abe's heart condition and Trish's early signs of multiple sclerosis, the Zdroiks have spent countless hours researching the



The Zdroik children enjoy helping care for animals on their parents' chemical-free farm.

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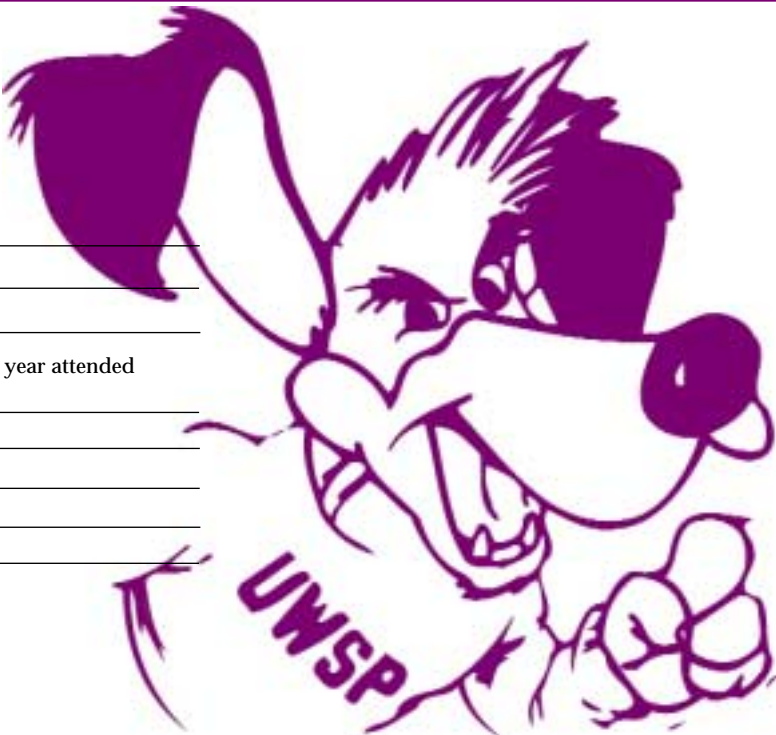
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Let us know how your experiences at UWSP have affected your life. Did someone on campus have a real impact on you? What events do you remember most?

Mail information to: UWSP Alumni Association, 208 Old Main, 2100 Main St., Stevens Point, WI 54481, fax (715) 346-2561 or call toll free at 1-877-764-6801. An e-mail form is available on our Web site: www.uwsp.edu/alumni.

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Obituaries of alumni

1990s

Raymond Kuehl, '97, Wisconsin Rapids, died March 18 at age 79.

David Zarter, '94, Fox Point, died in a boating accident on April 18 at age 31. He served as a captain in the Army with the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, N.Y., for five years and was recently stationed at the 452nd Combat Support Hospital in Milwaukee. He is survived by his wife, **Sarah (Weseloh)**, '97.

Katherine (Kappus) Quimbach, master's '94, Brooklyn Park, Minn., died of a heart attack on Aug. 28.

Sean Holland, '91, Kenosha, died of cancer on Jan. 11 at age 33. He was studying technical electronics at Gateway Technical College. He worked for Abbott Laboratories in North Chicago, Ill., and briefly at Man-U-Tronics in Pleasant Prairie. While at UWSP, he co-founded and was an officer of the Economics Club.

Corinne (Stroik) Pekarek, '90, Green Bay, died of Hodgkin's lymphoma on Jan. 17 at age 38. She held a purple belt in tae kwon do and was an avid marathon runner, participating in the 1995 U.S. Marine Corps Marathon, the 1998 Fox Cities Race and the 2000 Inaugural Green Bay Marathon. She was a member of the Army Reserve Family Readiness Group and received a citation for her participation. Her husband, **Darin**, '89, and two daughters survive.

1980s

Jeffrey Ermatinger, '85, Marshfield, died Feb. 8 at age 41. He began his varied career as a land conservationist for Clark County and then worked at St. Joseph's Hospital, the Marshfield News Herald and Mall Furniture. His two children and their mother, Lori, survive.

1970s

Mary (Schuh) Kwiatkowski, '73, died Jan. 26 at age 52 after a six-year battle with cancer. She was employed by Dillingham Construction Company.

Leona (Galenberg) Kretz, '75, Antigo, died Dec. 23 at age 88. She taught at St. John Catholic School for 11 years. After retirement she took art lessons and enjoyed painting. The mother of nine children, she was honored as the Antigo Area Chamber of Commerce Mother of the Year in 1982.

Carol (Parker) Snelling, master's '72, Marshfield, died Nov. 11 at age 92. For 14 years she taught kindergarten through twelfth grade music in Greenwood Public Schools. She was church organist and junior and senior high choir director of First Presbyterian Church. She also was organist at Wesley United Methodist Church.

Kay (Krueger) Beyer, '71, Harrison, died Jan. 10 at age 64. She was a volunteer at Tomahawk Elementary School. Her husband, Edwin, survives.

Ralph McQueen, '71, Stevens Point, died April 12 at age 73. A student in the Navy V-5 program at Central State Teachers College (UWSP), he piloted Corsair aircraft in the Korean War. He continued flying with the Navy Reserve in Chicago, Minneapolis and Detroit until 1972, retiring as a commander. For two years, he taught in Stevens Point Area Public Schools then acquired Great Lakes Soft Water Company and traveled in Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. His wife, **Jean (Walker)**, '70, survives.

Peter Parsons, '71, Kenosha, died March 18 at age 53. He was transportation and safety supervisor for 13 years at Kenosha Unified School District.

Kirk Weber, last attended '70, Jack, Ala., died April 15 at age 54.

1960s

Michael Hughes, '69, Brookfield, died May 24 at age 56. He enjoyed coaching basketball, attending his children's concerts, recitals and sporting events and was president of Ulster Project-Milwaukee. In 1980 he was selected for the UWSP Hall of Fame. His wife, **Karen (Lamers)**, '70, and four children survive.

Jane (Woudstra) Hudzinski, '65, Rio, died Feb. 7 at age 58. She received a master's degree in mathematics education at UW-Madison and taught for two years in Brandon and 10 years in West Allis. She later was employed with Miller, Brussel, Ebben and Glaeske accountants. Her husband, Don, survives.

Catherine (Zink) Rankl, '65, Abbotsford, died Dec. 30 at age 59. In 1974 she received a master's degree in social work from Fordham University in New York. She worked for Portage County Social Services, Catholic Social Services in Los Angeles, Calif., and was a substitute teacher and teaching assistant in the Abbotsford school district for 15 years. She also worked at Fiskars for five years. Her husband, Guy, survives.

Crystal (Holderegger) Bowen, '65, Stevens Point, died March 20 at age 93. She was an assistant librarian at P.J. Jacobs High School from 1960 to 1974.

Ida (Brandner) Scott, '64, Antigo, died of cancer on Feb. 11 at age 82. During her 38-year career, she taught in Little Black, Chelsea, Rib Lake and Dorchester, retiring in 1981. She was a member of the Wisconsin Retired Educators Association.

Thelma (Mussey) Baggs, '62, Grand Marsh, died Feb. 24 at age 84. She taught for 40 years, starting in several one-room rural schools and concluding her career with first grade in Adams in 1983. She was a member of the Adams County Retired

Teachers Association, Adams County Historical Society and Wisconsin Retired Educators Association. Her husband, Joey, survives.

Bernice Babler, '60, Belleville, died Dec. 22 at age 93. For 43 years, she taught elementary students in the Belleville school system, retiring in 1973. She was a member of the Green County Retired Education's Association.

1950s



Gerald Vance

UWSP, he was considered a pioneer in developing educational opportunities for youth in Milwaukee. After serving for two years in the Army, Vance began his career in Milwaukee schools as an elementary teacher at Brown Street School. He was principal of Auer Avenue School for 10 years and supervised teachers at Lakeland College, UW-Milwaukee and Teacher Corps Milwaukee. He retired as director of the Milwaukee Public Schools Division of Student Services. His membership in numerous professional and civic organizations included service on the boards of Elder Care, North Central YMCA, Boys' and Girls' Clubs, the UWSP Board of Visitors and executive director of the Compact for Educational Opportunity. His wife, Bobbye Pitts, survives. In 1996 he and his brothers, **James**, '75, master's '78, and Francis established the Vance Family Scholarship with the goal of offering a \$500 scholarship each year. Donations may be made to the fund by contacting the UWSP Foundation at (715) 346-3812 or 800-858-5267.



Curtis Taylor

Curtis Taylor, '54, Rochester, Minn., died of cancer on Jan. 17 at age 72. A firefighter in the Navy, he taught and coached for Stevens Point Parks and Recreation for eight years. In 1959 he became Rochester's first recreation director and in 1967 was appointed superintendent of parks and recreation. He received a master's degree in public administration from Mankato State University in 1978. His success in acquiring grants for projects and tapping into corporate and taxpayer support helped to nearly triple the size of the city's parks system during his 30 years of service. Under his leadership, in 1986 a \$25.5 addition to the Mayo Civic Auditorium was constructed. The Civic Center Arena was renamed the Taylor Arena in his honor in 1989. In 1990 he retired, then was a consultant to the Rochester city administrator for two years. He served on the boards of the Gamehaven

Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Rochester Area Foundation and the Minnesota Park and Recreation Association, which honored him with a Distinguished Service Award in 1979. He also received the YMCA Sportsmanship Award and two Mayoral Medals of Honor. He was chair of the Samaritan-Bethany Foundation, a member of numerous state and local civic groups and worked in political campaigns. His wife, Barbara, survives.

Robert Brehm, '50, Wisconsin Rapids, died Jan. 17 at age 74. He served in the Navy during World War II and received a master's degree in elementary administration from Winona State University in Minnesota. He worked for Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools for 37 years, retiring as principal of Howe Elementary in 1987. A member and officer in several civic and professional organizations, he was commissioner of the Wisconsin School Administrators Retired Members. He served on the Wood County Board of Supervisors for six years and was commissioner for both the Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission and Wisconsin Rapids Park and Recreation Commission. He was president of the Lowell Senior Center Committee, a basketball coach at Biron grade school, a high school basketball referee and a longtime radio broadcaster for Wisconsin Rapids area high school athletics. His wife, Eloise, survives.

1940s



William Golomski

William Golomski, '48, Algoma, died Feb. 17 at age 77 after a brief battle with cancer. He was president of W.A. Golomski and Associates, an international technical and management consulting firm in Chicago. He also was a lecturer in business policy and quality management at the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business and a guest lecturer at more than 100 universities throughout the world. An organizer of one of the early UWSP Alumni Associations, he held life membership card #1 and was named a UWSP Distinguished Alumni in 1995. After serving in the Army Air Force during World War II, he earned master's degrees at Marquette University, Roosevelt University and the University of Chicago and an engineering degree at Milwaukee School of Engineering. He was a certified engineer in California and a professional member of the Institute of Food Technology. He consulted in 55 countries and for 40 of the Fortune 100 Companies, was a fellow of seven quality-related organizations, one of only 14 honorary members of the American Society for Quality Control and an honorary chief of the Choctaw and Seminole. His wife, Joan, survives.

Lucille (Elver) Housner, '45, Oconto Falls, died April 16 at age 85. The great-granddaughter of the first pioneers of Oconto Falls, she taught in the area for 38 years. For many years she taught and supervised Sunday school in the United Methodist Church, which was founded by her ancestors more than a century ago. She also was secretary-treasurer of the Volk Family Cemetery.

Violet (Vorel) Lambert, '44, Delavan, died after a stroke on Jan. 8 at age 85. She taught in a one-room school in Adams County for many years then in Port Edwards and Grand Marsh. She received a bachelor's degree in special education from UW-Whitewater and taught at Lakeland School from 1966 to 1981. She was a member of the Wisconsin Teachers Association and was active in the Walworth County Association for Retarded Citizens. She also volunteered as a driver for Walworth County.

Donald Walker, '43, Bradenton, Fla., died May 30 at age 77. After serving in the Marine Corps during World War II, he worked at Great Lakes Water Conditioning Corporation, later becoming president and owner. He served on the UWSP Alumni Association Board of Directors and was a member of several community organizations. He is survived by his wife, Jackie, who asks that donations be made to the UWSP Foundation at (715) 346-3812 or 800-858-5267.

Dorothy (Nelson) Thieme, '41, Colby, died Jan. 14 at age 83. She and her husband farmed in Hull for 22 years. She taught in Owen, Dorchester and for 15 years in Colby, retiring in 1979.



Dorothy Glennon

Dorothy (Larsen) Glennon, '41, Stevens Point, died Jan. 17 at age 81. She taught in Tomahawk, Edgerton, Grafton and Stevens Point, retiring in 1979. She also was part owner of the *Stevens Point Journal* until it was sold in 1997, then became a part owner of the *Portage County Gazette*.

Lucile (Ritchie) McKelvey, '40, Manitowoc, died Dec. 13 at age 85. She taught in Waupaca and Oconto County schools and was a substitute teacher in Manitowoc public schools. She also worked at the Rahr Gift Shop in Manitowoc. She was a member of the Manitowoc County Retired Educators Association and several community organizations.

1930s

Ruth (Hetzel) Carroll-Van Lysal, two year certificate '38, bachelor's '48, Wisconsin Rapids, died May 15 at age 83. She taught in Portage County Schools then in Friendship Grade School for five years and at Howe Elementary in Wisconsin Rapids for 24 years, retiring in 1974. She was a member of the Wisconsin Rapids Area Retired Educators Association and several community organizations.

David Parish, last attended '37, Stevens Point, died Jan. 30 at age 84. He joined Sentry Insurance in 1945 and retired in 1982. During his 37-year career, he worked in several locations and claim capacities, representing the company on various boards and commissions. He was a member of the Wisconsin Workers Compensation Legislative Advisory Council for 30 years. He also served on the board of directors of Delta Dental Insurance. Active in the St. Joseph Church, he was a member of the Catholic Social Service Board for the La Crosse Diocese. He served as a Boy Scout commissioner and was involved in youth baseball programs, serving as coach, manager and president of both the Little League and Babe Ruth League. He was a charter member and past president of the Pacelli Athletic Association and a past president of the Home and School Association at St. Joseph Grade School and Pacelli and Maria high schools. He also served on the boards of Meals on Wheels and Senior Olympics. His wife, **Alice**, '77, survives.

Arnold Hotvedt, '37, Albuquerque, N.M., died March 22 at age 85. While at UWSP he was president of Phi Sigma Epsilon. He worked for Line Materials Company in

Milwaukee and became a manager for the company in Northern California. He then returned to Wisconsin to run Walker Company Building Supply in Wautoma, retiring in 1976. He changed the business from a retail lumber operation to a complete home building supply company and expanded to additional locations in Central Wisconsin. He served three terms as president of the Wautoma Chamber of Commerce, was on the district board of Boy Scouts and was a member of several community organizations. In the 1950s, he revived the golf course in Wautoma that had been closed since the 1940s. He was director of Retail Lumbermen's Mutual Insurance, serving as chair of the board and chief executive officer from 1984 to 1994. After retirement, he and his wife, Joanna, lived in Green Lake, Arizona and New Mexico. She preceded him in death.

Jenette (Doughty) Van Raalte, '37, Waunakee, died April 20 at age 84. She taught at Knowledge Hill, a one-room country school, and at Leopold and Weyauwega elementary schools. She was an essayist, winning contests and having her work published in local newspapers including a poem that was read in Congress during World War II. She was active in community organizations.

Clarence Schulte, '35, Eau Claire, died Jan. 23 at age 88. He worked in sales and supervision for Hub City Foods for 45 years, retiring in 1974. He was a Cub Scout and Boy Scout Master and was a member of several community organizations. He served on the condominium association board for 18 years at his winter home in Mesa, Arizona. His wife, **June**, '37, survives.

Velva (Bowen) Schleicher, '34, Neenah, died Jan. 19 at age 87. She taught in Friendship and Plainfield, the Winnebago Day School and Saints Mary, Gabriel and Margaret Mary schools in Neenah. Her husband, Gordon, survives.

Virginia (Swanson) Mathewson, '33, Oshkosh, formerly of Owen, died Jan. 3 at age 89 from complications after a stroke. She taught in country schools in Marathon County and for 28 years in the Owen-Withee school system. She was a member of the Retired Teacher's Association, the Friends of the Old School and other community organizations.

Evelyn (Wimme) Parks, '33, Marion, died March 7 at age 90. She taught in Nelsonville and was a substitute teacher in Marion.

Lila (Kenyon) Batterman, '33, Auburn, Calif., died June 15 at age 90 of congestive heart failure. She taught home economics and biology at Rosendale High School and in the Green Lake school district. She was active in the Rosendale 4-H Club and continued her education during summers, especially enjoying arts and crafts.

1920s

Lucile (Damrow) Shaffer, '27, Beaver Dam, died Jan. 9 at age 92. She taught in Richland Center, served as a Girl Scout leader and was a member of several community organizations.

Doris (Martin) Thompson, '24, Stevens Point, died Jan. 4 at age 95. She taught grade school for several years.

Ruth (Derozier) Ekelin, '24, Stevens Point, died March 4 at age 97. She was a seamstress for 10 years at Le Roy Dress Shop in Stevens Point and was a member of several community organizations.

Clara (Naef) Francois, '24, Belleville, died April 20 at age 98. She taught school in the Belleville area for a few years before her marriage. She also was a member of several charitable organizations.

Dana (Hill) Allen Schuerer, '26, Rochester Hills, Mich., died April 17 at age 95. She began her 35-year teaching career at Pike Ridge School near Dunbar then taught at Goodman and Wausaukee. She taught in Brookfield schools for 25 years. She was a member of the honorary teachers' sorority, Delta Kappa Gamma, the retired Teachers Association and other community organizations.

Roy Roberts, Largo, Fla., a friend of UWSP, died March 8 at age 83. Upon retiring as vice president of Basic American Foods in 1984, he asked that the company establish a scholarship at UWSP instead of giving him a costly retirement party. The scholarship goes to children of employees of Basic American who wish to attend UWSP. Roberts served as vice president of Basic American Foods in both Idaho and Plover. After retirement, he helped set up a potato processing plant in Poland. He and his late wife, Peg, were active in the agricultural community and the arts in Central Wisconsin. He was an avid equestrian and a partner in High-Five Stables in Largo, Fla.

Zita (Beggs) Beigel, '39, Bancroft, died Jan. 1 at age 81. She taught for several years, then served overseas as a corporal in World War II with the Women's Army Air Corps for three years. She taught for more than 27 years, mostly in the Almond-Bancroft school district, retiring in 1985. Before retirement she studied creative writing and enjoyed sharing stories with her friends and family members. Two of her nine children are UWSP graduates: **Carla (Beigel) Fletcher**, '73, Stevens Point, and **Lisa (Beigel) Wimme**, '84, Wisconsin Rapids.

Rolling, Tumbling Memories

By Zita F. Beigel, '39

Sitting in the stairway, light filtering softly through the lacy brown curtains, sweet memories come rolling and tumbling down the stairs over me. When the kids were small, I sailed up and down these stairs with piles of clean clothes to put away, beds to change, kids to be put to bed. . . .

Now all is quiet—children are grown and scattered to the "Four Winds." My knees balk at climbing the stairs now, but I can sit in here by myself on the bottom step, close my eyes and let all the good old memories come rushing at me, washing me clean, and strong and young again. It was good—Thank You God!

Student memorial established at Schmeeckle

To memorialize students who died while attending UWSP, a place of peaceful recollection and remembrance has been created in the southwestern section of Schmeeckle Reserve across from the athletic fields.

A sign located on Maria Drive guides visitors down a path that leads to the memorial, made up of three granite boulders on a small hill surrounded by flowerbeds. The center stone holds a plaque that reads, "This site is dedicated to memory of students who have passed away while attending the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point."

Of the 14 students who died while attending UWSP over the last three years, six died during the past academic year, according to Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Bob Tomlinson. Their family members have expressed interest and support for the memorial, he said, as have current students who have lost friends.

According to Student Government Association (SGA) Speaker of the Senate Jeremy Smith, the memorial was initially planned in 1994 as part of the university's centennial celebration. It wasn't until last year that it started to come together, he said.

Smith has been working with the SGA and Tomlinson to establish the memorial since he became a senator three years ago.

"The space at Schmeeckle Reserve, while part of the campus, offers privacy for personal reflection and is very beautiful," said Smith. "The memorial really expresses the concern that other students have for those who are gone."



A memorial garden was dedicated in Schmeeckle Reserve to remember students who have died while attending UWSP. Family members, fellow students and UWSP administrators participated in the ceremony.



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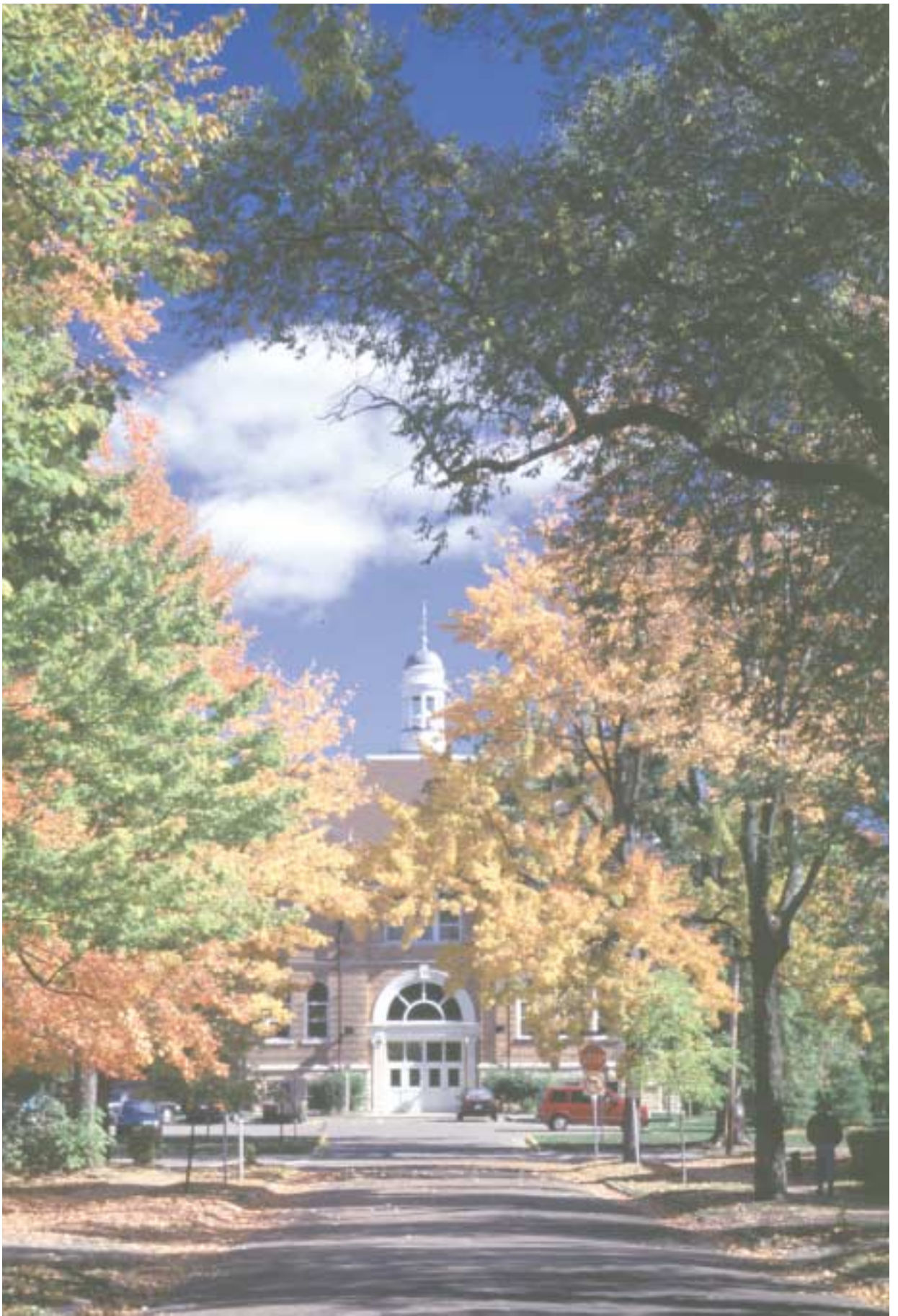
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