"Changing University Wisconsin-Stevens Point...

Chancellor Bunnell embraces new position at UWSP

Linda Bunnell, UWSP's first female chancellor, has had a full schedule since beginning her new position on

She's been meeting with former and current faculty and staff members, community residents, governmental leaders, regional educators, media representatives and UW System personnel. She's read The World is Ours, a book on UWSP's history written by former Letters and Science Dean Justus Paul on the occasion of the university's centennial in 1994. "There are such wonderful traditions here and I want to continue them," she said.

The former chancellor of the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, vice chancellor of academic affairs for the Minnesota State University System, and senior vice president for higher education for the College Board, Bunnell also has kept her focus on UWSP students. She's attended summer classes, met with student leaders and recently sat down for an informal conversation with a few students who had questions that ranged from her background to the joys and challenges she faces

Joining her were James Duquette, a senior communication major and president of the Student Government Association; Cristin Kowalski, a junior Spanish major and president of the Future Alumni Association; junior economics major Nate Throckmorton; and Elizabeth van Wieringen, a junior communication major.

When asked by van Wieringen, "How do you plan on interacting with the student body?" Bunnell replied she feels lucky to have the opportunity to devote time to students. "I want to attend student government meetings, plays, lectures, athletic events and just walk around campus." She also plans to have dinners in DeBot Center and invite students to join her.

"I get my energy from interacting with students because that is what we're all about," she told the group. "When making decisions, I ask myself, 'What will be best for the students?""

When asked by Duquette about the joys within the challenges of higher education, Bunnell answered, "I



Chancellor Linda Bunnell spends time talking to students in a Communication 101 class.

really enjoy finding the resources that faculty and students need to accomplish their goals." Funding for students should be increased, she said. She believes her experiences with the shortage of state funding for higher education in Colorado due to the Taxpayers Bill of Rights (TABOR) will motivate her to enhance external fund raising for UWSP.

Part of the reason she works in higher education is that "I want to make everyone's college experience as good as mine," she said. Bunnell was the third generation of her family to attend Baylor University in Waco,

Texas. "I was in student government and many organizations. Our president was a wonderful person who answered questions and took time with students, and so many of my deans and professors were helpful."

She recalled that while she was a student, Baylor's president mentioned to her that if students were to start raising money for a new library, that alumni would follow suit. Bunnell spearheaded a movement among students, who raised about \$10,000 and prompted the alumni to donate. She remembers the president told her, "Never underestimate the power of your student voice or your student dollar.'

Applying that advice as an alumna, Bunnell became a lifetime member of the Baylor Alumni Association and chaired the Academic Affairs Committee for the Council of 150, a group of alumni and others selected from throughout the country on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Baylor University to chart the course for the next 150 years. She returns to Baylor for homecoming each year and visits two of her favorite professors. "I really treasure those relationships," she said.

In addition to Baylor, Bunnell graduated from the University of Colorado at Boulder with a master's and doctorate degree in English literature.

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Hagen at a retired faculty and staff ice cream social.

Chancellor Bunnell with Mike Fahey, College of Fine Arts and Communication development officer, and Professor Emeritus Gary

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The staff of the UWSP Alumni and University Relations Office includes, left to right, Cristin Kowalski, student; Jean Scherer, program assistant; Jennifer Blum, '90, assistant director of University Relations; John Birrenkott, '75, interim director of Alumni and University Relations; Terri Taylor, director of major events; and Steve Zywicki, '98, outreach

# Young Alumni Emerging Leader Award

The Future Alumni Association's (FAA) Young Alumni Emerging Leader award will recognize graduates who exhibit exemplary achievement in their profession or other endeavors in such a way as to bestow credit upon their

FAA will select the recipient from a five-year pool of nominations that have been received from the UWSP Alumni Association Board of Directors, faculty, alumni and friends.

One award will be presented each year in May at the annual Alumni Awards Luncheon.

### Criteria for Young Alumni Emerging Leaders **Award Nominees:**

- Enhancement of UWSP's image and reputation were this person's accomplishments visible in the professional and/or general community?
- Ability to inspire others to professional excellence – did this person motivate others to excellence by his/her own example?
- Initiative did he/she volunteer new ideas and/or voluntarily take responsibility for details that would result in desirable outcomes?
- Uniqueness of accomplishments were his/her initiatives and accomplishments beyond the normal expectations, demonstrating creativity, resourcefulness, extraordinary intellect and perseverance?
- Other unique criteria considered important can you identify additional criteria that you think should be considered?

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Nominee must be an alumnus of UWSP and have graduated within the last 10 years
- Has not previously received the Distinguished Alumni Award
- Is not a UWSP faculty or staff member
- Is not currently serving on the Alumni Association
- Must be able to accept the award in person at the Alumni Awards Luncheon

To nominate alumni, please contact the Alumni and University Relations office for more details at 877-764-6801 or alumni@uwsp.edu.

# CPS gets donation from recent grad



Paul Borke

Appreciation for his education inspired Paul Borke, Waunakee, to make a \$1,000 donation to the College of Professional Studies one week before he graduated in May.

The funds will benefit the School of Communicative Disorders and the CPS information technology staff, with whom Borke worked as a student. A computer information systems major, he developed several Web sites for the college as well as a Web-based clinical reporting program.

'I gave to the college," said Borke, "because over the course of three years, I made lasting friendships among the faculty and staff and I wanted to show that I appreciated all

He credited George Heeres, a CPS technology support specialist with whom he worked, with teaching him additional practical and technical skills than those learned during coursework. He also credits the communicative disorders staff with helping him learn how to interact with clients.

Borke works for Tybrin Corporation in Madison as a system support contractor for the Wisconsin Air National Guard, maintaining the software and hardware that is used

for planning and executing missions. His goals include being a computer programmer for the Air Force. The lessons I learned have given me an advantage in the real world," said Borke, "and I felt it was the right thing to do to recognize and thank everyone in the college."

# Loan consolidation offered to alumni

UWSP alumni now have an opportunity to consolidate their education loans with preferred lenders who offer special student loan repayment benefits. Although benefits vary, each of these lenders provides the borrower with some form of repayment savings as well as a promise of quality personal consultation about the pros and cons of consolidating educational loans.

Consolidation of educational loans is popular because it allows borrowers to lock in extraordinary all-time low interest rates and reduce monthly payments through longer-term loans. Some specialized lenders have begun to heav-

### **Contact these UWSP Alumni Association Preferred Lenders:**

- AnchorBank
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ily market these loans, raising a concern that alumni may be approached to consolidate without the benefit of appropriate consultation or a good benefit package. The UWSP Alumni Association is pleased to offer preferred lenders who have a history with the university and a good reputation for student-sensitive policies.

Federal legislation under consideration, which may become law within a few months, would change the interest calculation method from fixed rate to variable and eliminate an individual's ability to lock in the current low interest rate. As this change is expected to win favor in Congress within a short period of time, borrowers who have not already done so may want to contact a preferred lender as soon as possible.

Alumni may be contacted by these UWSP Alumni Association preferred lenders or may contact them directly for more information and assistance in consolidating their loans. General loan consolidation advice may be sought from Great Lakes Higher Education Corporation (GLHEC) at 800-236-4300.

# **Alumni Association Board of Directors**

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# Looking forward, giving back . . .

UWSP is a beautiful place in the fall. It's also a place of discovery and excellence, where academics and students are the focus.

"Help keep UWSP strong," says Deb Anstett, UWSP Foundation annual fund director. "When you get our phone call, please answer with a pledge to the annual

For information on giving back to UWSP, contact the UWSP Foundation at 715-346-3812 or 800-858-5267 or go to www.uwsp.edu/foundation/Makegift.htm.

# Kuckkahn heads foundation



Todd Kuckkah

Todd Kuckkahn, a former fund-raiser for Wisconsin nonprofit organizations and former alumni director of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, has been named assistant to the chancellor for advancement and executive director of the UWSP Foundation.

Having directed fundraising efforts for the Madison Children's Museum, United Way of

Dane County and Wisconsin Special Olympics, Kuckkahn began his duties as head of the foundation and supervisor of the Alumni and University Relations offices on July 1.

"Todd is uniquely poised to reach out to our region and our state on behalf of UWSP," Chancellor Linda Bunnell said. "He has solid experience in all aspects of fund raising, but especially in securing major gifts. He has conducted and supervised prospect research and worked effectively in support of volunteers. He follows through with persistence and good humor and is a quick study."

Kuckkahn also served as a development officer for the UW Foundation (Madison) and worked for U.S. Bank. Before leading the alumni program at UW-Platteville, he served the institution as associate men's basketball coach, admissions counselor and instructor in the College of Education.

"I am very impressed with the university and community," says Kuckkahn, "and I look forward to learning more about UWSP from the faculty, staff and students so we can secure the much needed funding for many wonderful programs. The foundation, alumni and development teams are solid and I am fortunate to come into such a strong program."

A Verona native, Kuckkahn earned a bachelor's degree in education from UW-Madison and a master's degree in education from UW-Platteville.

# **Neale family helps students**

Additional funding has been made to the Neale Family Endowment, just as the scholarships it supports are first being given to current and future students at UWSP.

Funds totaling more than \$360,000 from the Neale Family Trust have been added to the original endowment of \$2 million, which supports scholarships for incoming freshmen, continuing students and elementary education majors.

The family of Oscar W. Neale, an early educator at Stevens Point Normal School, created the endowment in 2002. The gift was made possible through Jim and Lorrie Neale, former Stevens Point business owners; Jim's sister, Jean Neale Stassel, who attended UWSP from 1945 to 1947; and her husband Fred, '49. Jim and Jean are the grandchildren of Oscar Neale.

"I am glad to have additional funds to achieve all that we've planned," said Jim Neale. "Our family is excited about the impact this gift will have on the university and the students it will support."

Twelve new freshmen are benefiting from \$1,500 Neale Alumni Honors Scholarships. These students have an average ACT score of 31.5, an average grade point of 3.96 and an average class rank of 97, according to the UWSP Foundation.

Several of these freshman recipients will qualify for \$1,500 Robert S. and Ventura V. Neale Memorial Scholarships for Continuing Students when they become sophomores. The three-year renewable scholarships give them the opportunity for an additional \$4,500 award from this fund.

The third scholarship, the Oscar W. Neale Elementary Education Memorial Scholarship Fund, was recently awarded to four students.

In the fall, the Neale Endowment-supported Celebration of Teaching banquet for the School of Education will recognize and honor the cooperating teachers who work with UWSP student teachers and interns. The inaugural Oscar W. Neale Teaching Fellowship also will be awarded at that time to a K-12 teacher who will work with the School of Education faculty and students on special projects to build bridges between K-12 education and the university.

"Through these scholarships I hope to encourage others to give," said Jim Neale.

# **UWSP** honors alumni and friends

The Alumni Association honored UWSP alumni and friends on May 15. **Sherin Bowen**, '91, Stevens Point, and **Gordon Faust**, '58, were named the 2004 Distinguished Alumni. **Bob Spoerl**, '82, Waupaca, received the 2004 Distinguished Service Award for his work for the Alumni Association. Supreme Court Justice **William Bablitch**, Madison, and English Professor Emerita **Mary Croft**, Stevens Point, received the William C. Hansen Distinguished Service Award, which recognizes public service.

Sherin Bowen

Bowen was executive director of the Wisconsin/Nicaragua Partners (W/NP) from 1991 until she retired in March 2003. She now volunteers part time with the organization, which encourages mutual understanding between cultures. Under her leadership, the W/NP developed 79 training centers where Nicaraguan men and women learned income-generating skills.

She has seen numerous success stories in the expanding program.

In the early 1970s, Bowen served as president of the UWSP Faculty Wives organization, later known as University Women. The group helped establish the Festival of the Arts and the current Helen R. Godfrey University Child Learning and Care Center.



Gordon Faust

Faust worked for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 32 years, retiring in 1992. He retired again from Earth Tech, a Madison engineering firm, in 2000 and now works there part time.

While in high school, he joined the Wisconsin Air National Guard, volunteering for the Korean War. He remained in the Air Force Reserve until 1992, serving one month in Operation

Desert Storm. During his 42 years of service, he received the Air Force Commendation Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal.

He is now helping Wisconsin's 132,000 Korean War veterans or their next of kin obtain the Korean War Service Medal from the South Korean government. He and his wife, Astrid, have processed more than 600 applications. He also is locating biographies of Wisconsin Korean War veterans and has won several honors for his efforts on their behalf.

Faust was president of UWSP's chapter of Phi Sigma Epsilon, later becoming a volunteer regional director and national vice president. He has been a member of the UWSP Alumni Board of Directors since the early 1980s and was president of the board during the UWSP centennial in 1994.

**Spoerl** is a longtime Alumni Association supporter. In 1988 he established Premium Brands, a beer whole-saler that received the Stevens Point Small Business Award in 1991. He serves on the board of directors of the Healthy People of Portage County, working on



Bob Spoerl

marketing strategies to reduce alcohol use in area high schools.

He is a member of the UWSP Foundation Board of Directors and Alumni Association Board of Directors. He has been president of the UWSP student chapter of the Izaak Walton League, is a member of Moose Lodge, Ducks Unlimited and the Chamber of Commerce and has been a member of several boards, including the

UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame, YMCA, Stevens Point Community Parks and Waupaca Area Parks.



William Bablitch

Bablitch attended UWSP before earning a bachelor's degree at UW-Madison. He served in the Peace Corps before earning a law degree at UW-Madison Law School. In 1987 he earned a master of laws degree from the University of Virginia Law School.

A Stevens Point native, he became Portage County district attorney in 1969 and in the late 1970s was instrumental in saving Old

Main from demolition and keeping the Founders Room in a style reminiscent of the institution's beginnings.

He was a state senator for the 24th Senate District for 11 years, with seven years as majority leader and key legislative accomplishments in victim and consumer protection, highway safety and campaign reform. He was elected to the Supreme Court in 1983 and reelected in 1993, and was a member of UWSP's Board of Visitors for 10 years.



Mary Croft

Croft served UWSP in many roles, including as a writing specialist from 1970 to 1985, as acting dean of Academic Support Programs and acting associate dean of home economics. She founded and directed the writing laboratory, now the Mary K. Croft Tutoring-Learning Center. After retirement, she taught writing classes and served on the Lincoln Center advisory council

and the Plover Library Committee. She spoke at UWSP's commencement in May 1996.

She has served United Way of Portage County, Portage County Community Foundation, Commission on Aging, Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra Guild Board and UWSP's Board of Visitors. She received the John Joanis Leadership Award in 1993 for volunteer service and the Academy of Letters and Science Community Award in 1999 for her support of education at all levels.

# **Dieck wins Sebold Scholarship**

Jennifer Dieck, Wonewoc, is the recipient of 17<sup>th</sup> annual Kathrin "Kitty" Saunders Sebold Scholarship, one of the premier scholarships at UWSP.

The full-tuition scholarship is awarded annually to a UWSP student who demonstrates high potential for becoming a leader in a chosen profession. It was established by D. David "Dewey" Sebold, former president and CEO of Tombstone Pizza, in memory of his late wife Kitty. Both Kitty and Dewey graduated from UWSP in 1968 and Kitty worked as a social worker until her death from cancer in

"This award helps today's top students reach their goals," said Dewey. "Kitty's spirit lives on in these young scholars and in anyone touched by the compassion and commitment she set."

A junior majoring in psychology with a minor in sociology, Dieck has served in residence hall governance as a student government representative, a community adviser and assistant to the director of Neale Hall. She organized social and educational programs, one of which won a regional award. She has been an instructional assistant for two psychology faculty members and has recently taken on the responsibility of being a scribe for a disabled student

As a volunteer she organized a campuswide cleanup, was a bell ringer for the Salvation Army and participated in Habitat for Humanity.



David "Dewey" Sebold with Jennifer Dieck, recipient of the Kathrin "Kitty" Saunders Sebold Scholarship

# **University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point** Faculty Retirements

James Canfield

# James Canfield

James Canfield, an expert in American government, has retired after 35 years at UWSP. During his tenure, he coordinated an interdisciplinary course on the impeachment of President Bill Clinton, authored a book on the George Wallace campaign and presented a paper on the 2000 Green Party Campaign at the 2003 Midwest Political Science Convention. His honors include the Eugene Katz Letters and Science Distinguished Faculty Award and Excellence in Teaching Award. He's also been nominated numerous times for the campuswide teaching award and University Scholar Award, led semesters abroad to Great Britain and Australia, served on a variety of department and university committees and granted numerous media

requests during election cycles. In retirement he and his wife, Rae, will visit their Upper Michigan cottage on Lake Michigan.



Theresa Chao

# Theresa Chao

Theresa Chao recently read Retire Smart, Retire Happy and hopes to do so after 33 years as a periodicals librarian at the UWSP library, where she managed periodicals and subscriptions, gave reference service in both the reference room and government documents and taught business research classes. "I really enjoyed helping students and faculty find the best information," she said. Having faced challenges such as budget cuts and technological changes, she feels she is leaving a highly usable and cost effective periodical collection. Chao and her husband, Henry, plan to remain in Wisconsin Rapids and she hopes to improve her swimming and biking skills, volunteer and spend time with her children and grandchildren.



Stan Carlson

### Stan Carlson

Professor Stan Carlson has made mathematics fun and interesting for high school, college and future students during his 39 years at UWSP. His accomplishments include integrating math and education courses, creating labs for math education students and honoring high school students for math skills as the coordinator for the Central Wisconsin Mathematics League. Retirement will be filled with travel, gardening, basketball and woodcarving, but he'll also find time to relax at his Stevens Point home. "Ann and I bought two oak rocking chairs for our screen porch," he said, "so you know where you can find us in the summer."



# Michael Dresen

During his 12 years at UWSP, Mike Dresen helped communities understand and implement the state's land use planning legislation, Smart Growth. He served as a UW-Extension lake management specialist and land management specialist, providing educational programming for citizens. In 2000, he became the director of the newly created Center for Land Use Education at UWSP. He has coauthored The Zoning Board Handbook, The Plan Commissioner's Handbook, and Life on the Edge, Owning Waterfront Property, now in its seventh edition, and received the prestigious Lake Stewardship Award from the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership and the Wisconsin Association

of Lakes. He'll stay active in conservation and other civic matters as a supervisor for the Shawano County Board. Dresen and his wife, Geri, will reside in rural Shawano County, trout fishing and traveling as time permits.



### David Eckholm

Dave Eckholm, executive director emeritus of enrollment services and registrar, retired last November after 35 years at UWSP. He joined the administration as assistant to Registrar Gilbert Faust in 1968, shortly before receiving his bachelor's degree from UWSP, and succeeded Faust when he retired in 1979. As registrar, Eckholm improved several student services, and most recently implemented Web registration. During his career, he took on additional responsibilities such as serving as assistant to the vice chancellor, as director of admissions, and as executive director for enrollment. He also participated on a variety of UW System and UWSP committees and was active in his professional organization.

Dave and his wife, Lynn, who is retired from the Foreign Student Office, plan to visit their children and grandchildren in the U.S. and France.





Constance Fang

# Marcus and Constance Fang

**Constance and Marcus Fang** are retiring after 36 years at UWSP, having served the Foreign Students Office and as co-advisers for the International Club. They became such an integral part of the campus and Central Wisconsin that they were

named among the "Community Treasures" in the Stevens Point Journal. Their involvement in the annual International Dinner, Host Family Program, Portage County Cultural Festival and their church are just a sampling of their immersion in Stevens Point and surrounding communities.

Constance is this year's recipient of the 2004 Academic Staff Community Service Award. She has previously received the Campus Leaders Association Mentor Award (1999) and the UW System's Women of Color Award (2000). Marc, also an associate psychology professor, is past recipient of the first-ever University Service Award (1980), which he won again in 2002. With retirement beckoning, the Fangs have no plans to relocate. They will continue to be engaged in community work while spending more time with family, reading and traveling.



David Holborn

### David Holborn

After 34 years at UWSP, David Holborn, a specialist in 19th century British literature and the Romantic Movement, has retired. He served a term as chair of the English Department, was a member of Faculty Senate for nine years, serving a term as vice chair, and has been on every standing committee and on numerous ad hoc committees. He edited the nationally subscribed refereed journal, Issues in Writing, for six years. While more than half his teaching load has been in writing courses, he looks forward to giving up reading student papers. Instead, he hopes to re-read American authors such as Melville and Hawthorne. He and his wife, Lynn, plan to travel across

the U.S. to visit a number of the national parks. They also expect to "wear grooves in the road to Madison" to visit their daughters' families.



# John "Jack" Holmes

A member of the psychology faculty, Jack Holmes has excelled in the classroom and participated in the governance of the campus for 30 years. He and fellow Professor Padmanabhan Sudevan have collaborated on research involving how people move from one task to another. A self-taught computer buff, he served as a part-time consultant on UNIX and networks for campuswide academic computing and may have been one of the first faculty members to use personal computers in the laboratory. A past recipient of a National Science Foundation grant, Holmes continues to publish his research in peer-reviewed journals. He and his wife, Lyn, will remain in the area,

play more golf, travel in the U.S. and abroad, and spend more time with their three children and families.



John Jury

### John Jury

After 32 years of working closely with students, John Jury, executive director of Student Development and University Centers, is retiring from UWSP to head the Community Foundation of Portage County. Jury came to UWSP in 1972 as a residence hall director, then served as director of Conference and Reservations and as director of Student Life Activities and Programs. In his current position, he coordinated student programs and administered three campus centers. He and his wife, Dori, led a semester abroad in Australia and he led six biking trips in Europe. Adviser of the Student Government Association for 25 years, he says he has "enjoyed watching students

get involved in campus and community, helping them develop competencies to succeed and watching their confidence grow." One of the founders of the county's Green Circle Trail, Jury plans to continue his community involvement and his hobby of being "the worst triathlete in Portage County.'

**Pointer Alumnus** 

Don Pattow

### **Donald Pattow**

During his 39 years of service to UWSP, English Professor **Don Pattow** helped create UWSP's writing emphasis program and directed freshman English and the Center for Literacy. He has served on numerous committees of Faculty Senate and on every committee in the English Department. In addition to teaching composition, literature and technical writing, he turned a hobby of reading mysteries and detective fiction into a course in popular fiction. Pattow says he will miss being in the classroom, which gave him an outlet for the side of himself that is "a bit of a ham." World travelers, Pattow and his wife, Rebecca, a lecturer in English, will soon have visited every

continent on the globe except Antarctica. Though retired, he plans to continue to meet friends and colleagues at the University Center each day.

# Mark Seiler



Mark Seiler

German Professor **Mark Seiler**, retiring after 35 years at UWSP, helped improve the German language curriculum in schools in Wisconsin and neighboring states by leading workshops for high school teachers. Twice honored by the Wisconsin Association of Foreign Language Teachers, he was cited by the Goethe Institute of New York for furthering the study of German language and culture in the U.S. and by UWSP in 2003 for outstanding service to campus and community. Seiler served as chair of the foreign language faculty for 15 years. In 1989, he facilitated the establishment of an international exchange program between UWSP and Otto Van Guericke University of

Magdeburg, Germany, including a dual degree program between the two campuses. He has been active in faculty governance and as a member of the Historic Preservation Subcommittee, has been involved with refurbishing the Old Main Founders Room and with efforts to save and restore Nelson Hall. During retirement, he plans to spend time with his family and pursue his many interests.

# Gail Skelton



Gail Skelton

Sociology Professor Emerita Gail Skelton, recognized several times for outstanding teaching, retired in January from a 35-year career at UWSP. She has been honored for her skills as an educator by the university, her department, the College of Letters and Science and the Wisconsin Sociological Association. Gail says her time in the classroom has been a high point of her career at UWSP, and she appreciates running into students who still remember her classes years later. Participation in faculty governance has been another highlight. Gail and her husband, Bill, plan to continue to live in Stevens Point, but will travel south to escape the cold Wisconsin winters.

# P tl s s

Steve Taft

### Steve Taft

Parasite research has been the focus of Biology Professor **Steve Taft's** 34 years at UWSP. In 2004 he and three of his students were honored for their research. "My students have taught me more then I've taught them," he said, "and they've made UWSP a great place to be." In addition to his research, Taft taught courses, wrote articles, revised text, created drawings and took photographs for numerous articles, papers and laboratory manuals, and established a parasitology collection of over 30,000 slides. He received the University Scholar Award in 1985 and coordinated the general zoology laboratories for 20 years. He said he's enjoyed the freedom to work on his research

and make a satisfying contribution to the institution. In retirement, Taft will stay active by camping, backpacking and training for and competing in triathlons.

# DNR honors Hall for fundraising leadership

Kent Hall, UWSP emeritus professor of biology, was honored by the Department of Natural Resources with the West Central Wisconsin Natural Resources Award.

Employees of the 19-county region chose Hall for outstanding leadership in caring for the state's natural resources. Hall was instrumental in raising funds to enable construction of an educational facility and administrative office for the Mead and McMillan Wildlife Area complex located north of Milladore and Marshfield. Through the Friends of Mead-McMillan Association, in two months he helped raise \$75,000 in private donations that were required for the \$681,000 project.

He continued the work and to date has raised \$1.5 million in donations and in-kind services for ample space to support a wide range of administrative and educational facilities for kindergarten to college students. He also encouraged members of the association to become more active as volunteers.

The facility will include a library and meeting room, kitchen and sinks in the class-room area. It incorporates renewable energy features such as geothermal heat, photo-voltaic and wind electric production and solar hot water.

Hall also was named Conservationist of the Year in April by the Bill Cook Chapter of the Izaak Walton League. He retired in 1998 after 30 years at UWSP, where he advised the award-winning Beta Beta Beta honor society for 17 years.

### John Timcak



John Timcak

For 32 years, retiree **John Timcak** has led the efforts to support students with disabilities. Initially hired in 1972 as a residence hall director, he eventually became director of new student programs and disability services, overseeing campus compliance with state and federal disability statutes as well as new student orientation and the Student Academic Advising Center. Born in the Slovak Republic (formerly part of Czechoslovakia), he moved to the U.S. when he was 10. He and his wife, Gayle, who have a winter home in Fort Myers Beach, Fla., have three grown children. Timcak plans to write, teach or consult and play golf in retirement.

# Mary Whalen



Mary Whalen

Mary Whalen, a professor of mathematics and computing who encouraged young women to become interested in those fields, will retire after 40 years as an educator. She has worked with the Women in Science Program and with College Days for Kids so she could mentor children interested in math and science. Mary also coordinated an Eisenhower Grant project to interest more elementary and middle school girls in the field of mathematics. During retirement she will work with her father, noted journalist John Whalen, on a book about their family's travels throughout Europe, Asia, Canada and the U.S. They plan to move to Dubuque, Iowa, where they will be closer to

family members. She says she will miss her colleagues and the "stimulating" atmosphere in her department.

# Anita Godin Borski



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UWSP has been home to **Anita Godin Borski** for over 35 years, first as a student and then as an employee. The director of Revenue, Liability and Parking Services, she managed the offices of Student Billing, Bursar, Perkins Loan, and Parking. She also served on several committees on campus and in the community, including the Mission, Vision and Values committee which proposed goals for UWSP's future. Recently married, Godin Borski plans to spend her retirement with her husband, Jim, traveling the United States, doing volunteer work, reading, playing in the flower garden and enjoying her two granddaughters.

**Kathy Soderberg** has been working in Admissions and Career Services ever since the youngest of her seven

children started elementary school in 1983. She became coordinator of freshman scholarships and processed

undergraduate and graduate admission applications. In

# Kathy Soderberg



retirement she and her husband, Don, look forward to having more time to travel around the Midwest where their children and 15 grandchildren are located.

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# **Emeritus professor pens** histories

The early histories of two UWSP departments, written by Gerald Chappell, emeritus professor of communicative disorders, are now available to the public.

The Early History of Communicative Disorders at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point may be purchased through the School of Communicative Disorders. This 1962-1974 history also includes a section of retirement statements and stories and poems written about faculty members.

Chappell hopes to pique the interest of past, present and future students to raise money for the school. Profits from the manuscript will go toward such items as therapy materials and diagnostic tests for the material room or covering the expense of sending students to conventions.

The book costs \$20, which includes postage and handling. Mail checks made payable to UWSP School of Communicative Disorders to Gary Cumley, UWSP, School of Communicative Disorders, Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897. For more information, call the school at 715-346-2328.

Chappell also wrote *The Early History of Speech and Drama at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point*, which covers 1894 through the late 60s. The manuscript may be checked out of the Division of Communication Office, Room 219, Communication Arts Center or by calling 715-346-3409.

Chappell began teaching at UWSP in 1962. During his tenure, he served as the communicative disorders clinical director and chair, was the first teacher in speech and hearing therapy and helped develop 12 new courses. He earned a lifetime achievement award from the Wisconsin Speech-Language-Hearing Association. He and his late twin brother also published *Corpsmen: Letters from Korea* in 2000.

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# Grahn succeeds Paul as L&S dean



Lance Grahn

Lance Grahn, a specialist in Latin American history and former chair of his department at Marquette University, is the new dean of the College of Letters and Science. He succeeded Justus Paul, who retired in August after 18 years as dean and 38 years at UWSP.

"I am honored," said Grahn, "to join UWSP as a member of the College of Letters and Science and to have this opportunity to collaborate with my colleagues in providing educational and outreach leadership for the university through the college's many fine programs. My wife, Dianne, and I look forward to becoming part of the Stevens Point community."

Before joining the Marquette faculty, Grahn was a visiting lecturer in Brazil, a research fellow at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Mich., and a faculty member at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and at Radford University, Radford, Va.

While in Milwaukee, he received numerous awards for his teaching and research, including Marquette's highest faculty award, the Rev. John P. Raynor, S.J., Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence, and the first universitywide Teaching Excellence Award given by students. A scholar of colonial Latin America, he has been involved in service

activities that further Latin studies and was a member of numerous faculty committees at Marquette.

Grahn holds a bachelor's degree in history and Spanish from Abilene Christian University, a master's in Latin American history from Texas Tech University and a Ph.D. in Latin American history from Duke University.

# First woman leads CNR



**Christine Thomas** 

Christine Thomas, the founder of Becoming an Outdoors Woman (BOW) whose appointment to the Department of Natural Resources Board was approved by the State Senate in March, has been named interim dean of the College of Natural Resources.

She succeeds Victor Phillips, who resigned to head UWSP's Global Environmental Management program. Thomas has served as associate dean of the CNR since 1999 and professor of human dimensions of natural resource management since 1989. From 1980 to 1988 she served as assistant to CNR Dean Emeritus Dan Trainer.

"Chris Thomas brings state and national visibility to her position as interim dean of the College of Natural Resources," said Vice Chancellor/Provost Virginia Helm. "She holds leadership status in many environmental interest groups, reflecting the high regard with which she is held in the field. We are delighted that she has accepted the responsibility for continuing to advance the programs in the college."

The first female tenured full professor in the CNR, Thomas teaches "Resource Policy and Law," "Natural Resources and Public Relations" and "Integrated Resource Management." She has been active in regional issues related to women in natural resources, having co-chaired two Midwest regional conferences related to work force

diversity. In addition to her teaching and outreach effort, she has research interests that center on resource agency administration, involvement of women in the outdoors and Wisconsin conservation history.

Thomas is vice chair of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and serves on two committees of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. She has won numerous national and state honors, including the National Wildlife Federation Conservation Achievement Award and Budweiser Outdoorsman of the Year.

The *Wisconsin Outdoor Journal* named her one of the 10 most influential people in conservation in Wisconsin in the 20<sup>th</sup> century and the *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* inducted her into its Sports Show Hall of Fame.

An active researcher, Thomas and colleague Tim Ginnett have projects near Clam Lake that involve elk reintroduction and black bears in the area.

# **UWSP** hiking and biking adventure tour

On a UWSP Adventure Tour, organized by the School of Health Promotion and Human Development, the athletic tourist can experience the world in a way that most casual tourists never will.

A sense of adventure is more important than cycling or hiking experience; all ability levels are welcome. Participants range in age from mid-twenties to nearly 80; the average age is 45 to 55.

Itineraries of 30 to 70 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 wish. The ambitious trekker can take to the mountains for more of a challenge. Accommodations include quaint and comfortable lodging and diverse cuisine. The 2005 schedule is as follows:

**Italy – the Amalfi Coast, January 3-13:** This cultural walking and low-impact hiking tour will feature Sorrento, Capri, Pompei, Amalfi, Positano, and Ravello, as well as two nights in Rome.

Mallorca, January 13-25 (biking) and March 17-27 (biking or hiking): European cycling teams often do their winter training on this Mediterranean island; mild weather, excellent roads, spectacular scenery and outstanding accommodations are the reasons! This will be the fifth trip to Mallorca.

**Dominica**, **January 6-16**: This unique multisport adventure tour will feature hiking in rainforests to breathtaking waterfalls and gorges, mountain biking to tropical plantations, bird watching, snorkeling, and kayaking. **Italy** (northern area). **June 11-27**: Skirting the mountains, this bioyeling trip will highlight beautiful Lakes.

Italy (northern area), June 11-27: Skirting the mountains, this bicycling trip will highlight beautiful Lakes Maggiore, Como, and Garda. Day trips can include legendary cities like Padua, Verona, Ferrara and more.

Italy (Tuscany), June 14July 1: The hill towns of Tuscany
with medieval towers,
Renaissance villas and palaces,
set amidst spectacular vistas of
olive groves and cypress trees.
Lucca, San Gimignano, and Siena
will be highlights.

Switzerland/France, July 24-August 14: This Swiss-Romand/French cultural bike tour features stunning Alpine scenery and lovely lakeside villages, from Geneva to Dijon and back.

England/Wales, June 25-July 9: This year's hiking trip will feature favorite destinations from past programs: Chipping Campen, Kettlewell, Bakewell, and Bes-y-Coed.

To learn more about the trips, visit the Web site, www.uwsp.edu/HPHD/BikeHike, e-mail <u>bikehike@uwsp.edu</u>, or call 715-346-4080.



Greg Taft, associate professor of physics, bikes the Cap de Formentor on the island of Mallorca.

# **CPS** history video wins award

A video about the history of home economics at UWSP was honored by the Greater Wisconsin chapter of Media Communications Association-International.

Home Economics Centennial: A Celebration of Dynamic Growth, produced and directed by Conrad Kelley of UWSP Telecommunications, won a Cameo Fest Silver Award in the category of external communications. CPS Dean Joan North wrote the script; Denise Deering of telecommunications created the graphics and animation; Ellen Margolis, a former theatre professor, provided the voice-over; and a host of students had cameo appearances.

Copies of the video are available for \$15 each by contacting CPS at 715-346-3169.

# UWSP committed to recycling

UWSP has saved state taxpayers more than a half million dollars over the last 15 years by not disposing of used materials in area landfills.

The Resource Recovery and Reuse (3Rs) efforts begun at UWSP in 1989 have kept nearly 13,000 tons of ash, cardboard, compost, metals, paper, surplus items, and other recyclables from being discarded.

According to Sharon Simonis, waste management/resource recovery manager specialist, UWSP is one of few campuses in the nation that has equipped all residence halls with chutes for resource recovery. All recovery materials, with the exception of surplus sales, are taken to UWSP's Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) to be sorted and prepared for shipment.

A total campus commitment has contributed to UWSP's 3R successes. Residential living and centers operations joined forces with academic and administrative areas to make resource recovery a campuswide priority. In 1990 about 42 percent of campus refuse was recycled; in 2003, 67 percent was recycled. The program has been recognized by the EPA, Stevens Point Area Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee Chapter of the International Television Association, Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin, Portage County Business Council, Governor of Wisconsin and Renew America.

# In Memoriam

# Pauline Isaacson

Pauline Isaacson, emeritus professor of communication, died April 22 at age 92.

Isaacson taught history and speech when she first came to UWSP in 1946 and was the first chairman of the speech department when it was organized in 1958. She created the office of International Programs (IP) in 1969, and before she retired in 1981, she arranged overseas study around the world for thousands of students. In retirement she



Pauline Isaacson with former Wisconsin Governer and UWSP Chancellor Lee S. Dreyfus

assisted the university with special public service projects and continued to teach and assist those who came to her for help.

Isaacson was recognized and honored for her dedication to IP in 2001. Officials from Jagiellonian University in Poland gave her the Medal of the 600<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Krakow Academy Re-founding for establishing the first cooperative post World War II program in 1975 between Polish and American universities. Since the first trip to London over 30 years ago, IP has grown to become one of the top programs in the nation.

Before coming to UWSP, the Spring Valley native taught high school in Glenwood City, Austin, Minn., and Madison. During World War II she was head recreation worker in hospitals in Oklahoma for the American Red Cross and later was a publicist for the State Historical Society of Wisconsin in Madison.

She is survived by nieces and nephews.



# Pointers make history with three teams

# with three teams in NCAA Final Four



Not only was the recent winter sports season the most successful in UW-Stevens Point history, it was a season that few schools in Division III can match.

UWSP became the first school ever to send three teams to final fours in the same weekend, while also posting high national finishes in four other sports during the same period.

The year's success resulted in the school's highest-ever Director's Cup finish, as the Pointers were fifth among 430 schools in the standings that measure the top athletic departments in Division III. It was the fifth time over the past seven years the Pointers have placed

among the top seven schools and marked the best finish by any Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) school since UW-Oshkosh placed fifth in 1996-97.

The standings, formerly known as the Sears Cup, include points accumulated in NCAA tournament competition. UWSP amassed 730 points, surpassing its previous best of 656.5 in 2001-02 when it finished sixth in the final standings. For the third time in the past four years, UWSP was the highest placing non-East Coast school.

The men's basketball team captured its first-ever national championship with an 84-82 win over Williams (Mass.) in Salem, Va. The women's hockey team also played for a national title the same day, falling to host Middlebury (Vt.) 2-1 to finish national runner-up. The women's basketball team placed fourth at the final four in Virginia Beach, Va., as UWSP became the second Division III school to qualify

for men's an women's basketball final fours in the same year.

# Winter wrap-up

### Men's basketball

In men's basketball, junior Jason Kalsow, Huntley, Ill., hit a fallaway jumper with 0.2 seconds left to give the Pointers the national championship. Kalsow had 24 points in the title game, while junior Nick Bennett, Stevens Point, notched 30 points to earn tournament Most Outstanding Player honors. UWSP advanced with an 87-62 semifinal win over John Carroll (Ohio). To reach the final four, the Pointers won two games the week before in Tacoma, Wash., including a thrilling 82-81 overtime win over Lawrence in the sectional championship. UWSP had a school record for victories with a 29-5 record and was the only WIAC team in the NCAA tournament after beating UW-Platteville 68-50 in the conference tournament finals.

### Women's hockey

The women's hockey team reached the final four by winning two double overtime games. First, it was a 2-1 win over UW-Superior in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association finals as Pam Stohr, South St. Paul, Minn., scored at the 82-minute mark. Then came a 3-2 win over Gustavus Adolphus in the NCAA quarterfinals with Jackie Schmitt, Buffalo Grove, Ill., scoring her national-best ninth game-winning goal of the year at the 86-minute mark. The Pointers advanced to the title game with a 4-1 semifinal win over Manhattanville (N.Y.) and ended the year 19-7-4 overall. Junior Ann Ninnemann, Rosemount, Minn., and freshman Amy Statz, Wisconsin Rapids, were named to the all-tournament team.

### Women's basketball

The women's basketball team won its first conference title since 1987 and then carried the success through the

postseason with a 91-77 victory over UW-Oshkosh in the conference tournament finals before beating Hardin-Simmons (Texas) 72-67 to reach the final four. The Pointers lost their national semifinal game to top-ranked Bowdoin (Maine) 64-59 and then fell to Rochester (N.Y.) 64-63 in the third place game to finish the year 28-5 overall. Junior Amanda Nechuta, Mosinee, was named to the all-tournament squad and was the conference Player of the Year.



Above: A guard for the Pointer basketball championship team, Tamaris Relerford, Beloit, takes it to the rim.

Lower right: Women's basketball guard Andrea Kraemer, Waukesha, set a school and conference record by playing in 119 games, starting in all but one.

Below: Women's hockey player Ann Ninnemann, Rosemount, Minn., faces an opponent.

### Wrestling

The wrestling team placed ninth overall in the finals. Senior Yan White, Antigo, was the 197-pound runner-up in his third straight national NCAA championship match, concluding his career with a 103-17 record, a national title and two runner-up finishes. Defending national champion Cody Koenig, Underwood, Iowa, placed fourth at 174 pounds and finished with a 32-4 record for the season. Senior Brady Holtz, Oconto Falls, earned his second straight All-American honor by placing sixth at 133 pounds.

### Men's swimming and diving

The men's swimming and diving team captured its fifth straight conference championship with five different individual champions. The men's team also had its 200-yard freestyle and 200-yard medley relays claim All-American honors. The team of Alex Anderson, La Crosse; Matt Sievers, Proctor, Minn.; Aaron Marshall, Cambridge, Minn.; and Garth Newport, Berlin, was sixth in the freestyle and eighth in the medley. Anderson was an individual All-American in the 200-yard breaststroke by placing seventh.

### Women's swimming and diving

The women's swimming and diving team was a close second at the conference meet for the third straight year. Jennie Roskopf, West Bend, won both breaststroke events as the Pointers' lone conference champion. The Pointers also placed 35th at the national meet as the 200-yard medley relay team of Alissa Bartz, Beloit; Jacci Menzel, Stevens Point; Lindsay Correll, Aurora, Ill.; and Jerica Crook, Spring Green, placed sixth.





A pep rally was held in Quandt Gymnasium in March to celebrate the Pointers' winning seasons. Members of the campus and community enjoyed meeting the athletes, getting autographs and seeing the NCAA Final Four trophies.



Six players on the men's and women's basketball teams scored over 1,000 points during their UWSP careers. Pictured, back row: Nick Bennett, Stevens Point; and Jason Kalsow, Huntley, Ill. Front row: Amanda Nechuta, Mosinee; Andrea Kraemer, Waukesha; Tara Schmitt, Brookfield; and Cassandra Heuer, Two Rivers.

# Spring results

### Women's track and field

The women's indoor track and field team placed third overall nationally, with impressive performances from Leah Herlache, Green Bay, and Megan Craig, Bangor, who placed among the top three finishers in the 1500-meter run and ran on the third place distance medley relay team. Jenna Mitchler, Kaukauna, placed sixth in the 800-meter run. The Pointers placed 21st overall at the NCAA outdoor championships with Craig finishing third in the 1500 meters and Mitchler seventh in the 800 meters. Julia Slabosheski, Princeton, was sixth in the discus.

#### Men's track and field

The men's track and field team placed sixth nationally, its fourth top 10 finish in five years. Mark Wierzba, Rosholt, and Mark LaLonde, Park Falls, led the way with second place finishes in the weight throw and the 5000-meter run, respectively. Andrew Schliepp, Redgranite, was sixth in the 100-meter hurdles, then bettered that effort at the outdoor nationals with a third place finish as the Pointers placed 27th overall. Wierzba was fifth at the outdoor meet in the hammer throw.

#### Basebal

The baseball team continued its recent success by winning 25 games for the eighth consecutive year. UW-Stevens Point finished 25-16 and was third in the WIAC. Senior Matt Peetz, Spring Green, finished ninth in the country in hitting with a .465 batting average and also completed his career as the school's all-time leading hitter with 199 hits and a .396 average.

#### Softhal

It was another consistent year for the Pointer softball team as UWSP finished 20-21 overall for its 11th straight 20-win season. The Pointers packed their 41 games into 41 days and finished sixth overall in the WIAC. Sophomore Rebekah Bauer, Stevens Point, set a single-season school record with 25 extra-base hits, while hitting .380 with 35 runs batted in.

# Pointer sports hotline and Web site

For the latest sports information call the Pointer sports hotline or visit our Web site.

715-346-3888, press 4 www.uwsp.edu/athletics/

# Athletes, administrator join Pointer Athletic Hall of Fame

Athletes from five different sports and a longtime administrator will be inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame in conjunction with homecoming on Sat., Oct. 2.

This year's class features football player **Peter Lucas**, who attended 1988-91, Madison; wrestler **Mark Poirier**, '94, Stevens Point; baseball and basketball player **Chuck Ritzenthaler**, '67, West Bend; softball player **Steph Sobieck**, '90, Green Bay; swimmer **Nan Werdin**, '95, Fairbanks, Alaska; and former faculty athletics representative **Virgil Thiesfeld**, Plover.

The banquet will be held at the University Center at 6 p.m. with cocktails at 5 p.m. For tickets, contact the UWSP alumni relations office at 715-346-3811.

Lucas is the only offensive lineman in school history to earn first-team All-American honors and was an All-American and All-Conference selection in two of his three seasons with the Pointers. He was a 10th round draft choice of the Atlanta Falcons in 1991 following his career at UWSP.

Poirrier was the national runner-up and conference champion at 142 pounds in 1993 while posting a 33-5 record. He ranks second in school history with 305 career takedowns and made three appearances at the national meet. Poirrier also served two seasons as an assistant coach with the Pointers.

Ritzenthaler still holds single-season school records with five shutouts and a 0.55 earned run average while leading the Pointers to the 1967 conference title. He carries the school's best career earned run average at 1.27 and had a 13-5 career record. Ritzenthaler played basketball for two seasons and was the team captain in 1966-67.

Sobieck ranks third all-time in Pointer history with 165 career strikeouts and 35 career victories. She also is second in school history with 502 1/3 innings pitched and 68 complete games from 1987-90. Sobieck was a two-time all-conference performer and pitched the Pointers to the 1990 conference crown.

Werdin was a three-time All-American and won 12 conference titles during her career from 1991-94. She won the 200-yard butterfly in each of her four seasons and was a three-time titlist in the 400-yard individual medley. In addition to her All-American accolades, she was a 10-time honorable mention All-American.

Thiesfeld was the faculty athletics representative to the WIAC, NCHA and NCAA for 22 years. He was highly respected throughout the conference for his knowledge of NCAA and WIAC eligibility rules. Still a strong supporter of Pointer athletics, Thiesfeld retired in 1999 and was the chair of the Biology Department for nearly 30 years.



Peter Lucas



Mark Poirier



Chuck Ritzenthaler





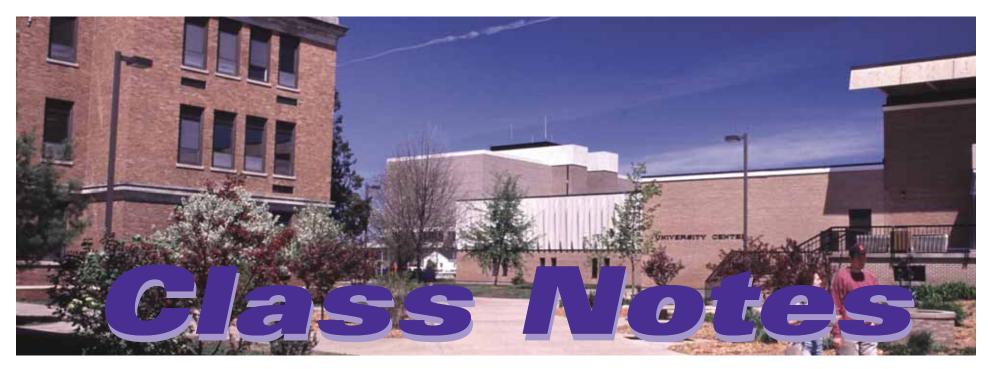
Steph Sobieck



Nan Werdin



Virgil Thiesfeld





Dave Gellatly, '98, and Katie (Good), '98, Ashland, were married on Aug. 2, 2003, on the shores of Lake Superior. Several alumni were in attendance and Tim Lahti, '97, Appleton (third from left), and Heather Sturm, '98, Grafton (first on right), were in the wedding party. Dave owns Northwind Outfitters and sells outdoor sporting goods. Katie is assistant director of admissions at Northland College in Ashland. They would love to hear from college friends at <a href="mailto:davidgellatly@yahoo.com">davidgellatly@yahoo.com</a>, <a href="mailto:kgellatly@northland.edu">kgellatly@northland.edu</a> or 715-682-5283.



Lucas Towne worked with this Afghan colonel while in Afghanistan. \\

**Lucas Towne**, '02, Fort Drum, N.Y., a first lieutenant in the Army, served in Afghanistan and was in charge of an ammunition point holding millions of assorted rounds and more than \$4 million in weapons. He also was in charge of an Afghan National Army basic training arms room and the facilities that stored, maintained and issued the basic items for new recruits. He and his crew trained the Afghan National Army to run those facilities.

# Hansen Hall Reunion



A group of friends that met in Hansen Hall as freshman have been getting together annually since 1989. Pictured at the home of **Sarah** (**Okray**) **Santas**, '90, Pardeeville, last December, are back row, left to right: **Paula Marrs**, '91, Minneapolis, Minn.; **Kristin Mundt**, '90, Portage; **Santas**; front row, left to right: **Kathy Hughes Durben**, '90, Waukesha; **Constance Williams**, '91, Kihei, Hawaii; and **Brenda Leahy**, '91, La Crosse.

# 2000s

Michelle Fitch, '03, Mankato, Minn., is assistant complex director for the Mankato Residential Life Department at Minnesota State University while earning a master's degree in counseling and student personnel. She researches the campus climate for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students and the implications for student affairs professionals on campus.

Sara Suprak, '03, Wausau, teaches mathematics for the Wausau school district. She married Chris Millard in May.

Nicholas Snavely, '03, Horicon, is geographic information systems and remote sensing technician for the UWSP Geography and Geology Department. His wife, Sharalyn (Helland), '03, teaches kindergarten for the Horicon school district. Their second child was born in March.

**Jeremy Burri**, '03, Chilton, is an investment representative for Richard Belke Associates.

**Brandy Ford**, '03, Appleton, teaches special education for the Appleton Area School District.

**Jason Villwock**, '03, Reeseville, is a program assistant at UW-Madison.

**Ryan Jirik**, '03, Sauk City, is a hydrologic technician for the U.S. Geological Survey.

**Preston Zoellner**, '03, Madison, is a lead teacher at My Gym.

**Julie Hess**, '03, Lock Haven, Penn., works start-up as a wet-end process engineer for First Quality Tissue.

Jennifer Hess, '03, Stevens Point, is a program assistant with UWSP Extension. She is married to Justin Hess, an assistant manager with Hartland Food Corp. in Stevens Point.



Sarah Otto

'02, formerly a UWSP Alumni and University Relations outreach coordinator, accepted a position with the American Cancer Society in La Crosse. A student

Sarah Otto,

employee in Alumni and University Relations, she had become a full-fledged member of the team after graduation.

**Timothy Balke**, '02, Albany, N.Y., a self-employed piano technician, says his experiences and courses at UWSP helped him in the transition from student to business owner.

Melinda Martin, '01, St. Charles, Ill., is a life skills teaching assistant at Community Unit School District. She is pursuing a teacher's certificate and master's degree in French. She previously spent a year in France as an au pair and as a

French student at the Sorbonne. She lived near Metz in Rueil-Malmaison, Azay-le Rideau and St. Jean-de-Luz.

Kelly (Hilgers) Lyons, '00, Huntington, Ind., is director of marketing for Sauder Feeds Inc. in Grabill, Ind. She was married to Dan Lyons in September.

**Dennis Stachewicz**, '00, Gwinn, Mich., is city planner for the city of Marquette. His wife, **Rebecca** (**Bayer**), last attended '98, is a consumer loan processor at Republic Bank.

Jessica Brostowitz, '00, Green Bay, is an instrument repair technician at Musician Repair and Supply, where her husband, Ian Chapman, also works. She holds a degree in band instrument repair from Minnesota State College-Southeast Technical in Red Wing, Minn., and previously worked in Oregon and Southern California.

### 1990s

Diane Ballering, '99, Hoboken, N.J., has been a stage manager and electrician in New York City for two years. She has worked with the Toy Box Theatre Company in New York City, founded by Jonathan Barsness, '01, Scott DelaCruz, '00, and Michael Holmes, '02. She is currently stage managing the off-Broadway musical, *The Joys of Sex*.

Jennifer Saucerman, '99, Appleton, teaches third grade in New London. She previously taught students with learning disabilities and earned a master's degree from Viterbo University. She and her husband, Erik, have one daughter.

Eric Elzen, '99, Eyota, Minn., is residential loan officer for the Rochester, Minn., office of the First Federal Capital Bank.

Zachary Juadis, '99, Menasha, is a custom home designer and building consultant for Portside Properties in Oshkosh. He designs, bids and sells homes, and enjoys helping people realize their dreams.

William Hamelink, '99, Vesper, is a database analyst for Northland Cranberries. His wife, Anna May, died in a car accident in Feb. 2003. He has two daughters and a stepson.

Terri (Larson) Jicha, '98, South Range, a physical scientist with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Duluth, Minn., is working on the Great Rivers initiative, assessing the Upper Mississippi, Missouri and Ohio Rivers. She previously assessed the coastal wetlands around the Great Lakes and the effects of land use on coastal wetlands and other inland streams. She is married to Allen Jicha, a civil engineer.

**Dan Czech**, '98, Clawson, Mich., is e-procurement manager for Kelly Services in Troy, Mich. **Jessica (Sarkkinen) Andreae,** '98, Stevens Point, is an accountant with Sentry Insurance.

Jennifer Gretzinger, '98, Argonne, is the human resources director for Parsons Chevrolet Buick Inc. in Antigo. She and her husband, Sonny, have two children.

Terry Bothun, '97, Milwaukee, teaches German and at-risk students in Menomonee Falls public schools. He earned a master's degree in educational leadership from Marian College of Fond du Lac. He has a four-year-old daughter.



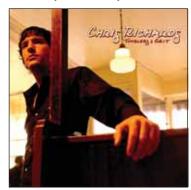
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Eberman, '97,
Milwaukee,
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ment, e-commerce and software programming services easy and inviting for clients. At age 29, he was one of the youngest recognized in the "40 Under 40" list compiled by *The Business Journal* of Milwaukee.

Jeffrey Justman, '96, master's '00, Bend, Ore., an international guide with Rainier Mountaineering and Mountain-Link, reached the summit of Mount Everest on May 16 with five others. Justman also has led treks to mountain summits including Manaslu, Himalaya; Cotopaxi, Ecuador; Aconcagua, Argentina; and Mount Rainier. He and his crew have been the subject of a recent series of articles in the *Stevens Point Journal*, written by senior feature writer **Trudy Stewart**, '87. Reach Justman through <a href="https://www.mountain-link.com">www.mountain-link.com</a>.

Paul Stiglbauer, '95, Lexington, Ky., a graduate research assistant, is pursuing a Ph.D. in biosystems and agricultural engineering at the University of Kentucky.



▲ Photo by Jim Herrington Chris Richards, '95, Sheboygan, is a country singer and songwriter and recently produced his second album, *Tumblers and Grit*, under his new label Lake Effect Records. The album was recorded on Nashville's Music Row.

**Leslie Gibson**, '95, Superior, is education director at Lake Superior Zoo.

Deborah (Marx) Thums, '95, Fitchburg, is managing pharmacist at Shopko Pharmacy East Towne in Madison. Her husband, Chad, '95, sells biotechnology products to Big Ten universities for Varian Inc.

Angela Higgins-Jed, '94, master's '96, Stevens Point, is a speechlanguage pathologist at Therapies Plus in Wisconsin Rapids. She is earning a doctorate in speechlanguage pathology at Nova Southeastern University. She and her husband, Michael, have two boys and a foster daughter.

William Weyenberg, '94, Boulder, Colo., a naturopathic doctor, started a holistic consultation business in 2002. He makes home visits and offers wellness presentations. He is enjoying the mountains and sunshine of Colorado and completed his first marathon in October 2003.

Kurt Schoenrock, '93, Hudson, works for RBC Dain Rauscher in Minneapolis, Minn., and was designated Chartered Financial Analyst by the Association for Investment Management and Research. He and his wife, Laura, have one son.

Jason Ryf, '93, Oshkosh, placed 28th out of 101 in the 2004 Olympic trials marathon held in February in Birmingham, Ala. "It was a tough race," says Ryf, with fierce competition and a 29-degree wind chill, and only the top three qualified. He hopes to qualify for the next trials in 2008. He is an art teacher and track coach at Perry Tipler Middle School as well as an assistant cross country coach at West High School. He earned a teaching degree at UW-Whitewater. He and his wife have one son.

Dana Zahorik, '93, Reedsville, a counselor at Fox Valley Technical College in Appleton, is pursuing a doctorate in education and organizational leadership. She and her husband, Keith, have two children.

Daniel Retzki, '93, Kaukauna, is activities director for the Kaukauna School District. He previously was activities director for the Wisconsin Dells School District. He and his wife, Nicole (Zabel), '96, have two children.

Scott Pritchard, '93, master's '98, Fulton, Mo., is head coach of the Westminster College Blue Jay baseball team. In April he earned the 200th victory of his eight-year career. He has five NCAA tournament appearances, including two at Westminster in 2000 and 2001. His tenure from 1997-99 as head coach at UWSP produced a 91-33 record.

Julie (Barker) Johnson, '92, Appleton, works in customer service at Curwood, Inc. Her husband, Robert, '92, works for J.J. Keller and Associates. They have two children.

Jacob LaCroix, '92, Saint Paul, Minn., is a graduate student at the University of Toledo in Ohio. He is researching ecological computer modeling using geographic infor-

Kurt Calkins, '92, Poynette, is director of the land and water conservation department of Columbia County in Portage. He and his wife. Leslie, were married in 2002.

Steven

Schuetz, '91.

is director of

financial aid at

Ripon College.

He previously

served as direc-

tor of financial

aid at the



International Academy of

Design and Technology in Chicago and at Edgewood College in Madison. A member of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, he is a former committee member chair for the

Wisconsin Association of Financial Aid Administrators and a frequent presenter at conferences. He earned a master's degree from the University of Maryland-University College.

Todd Peterson, '90, Blaine, Minn., project manager with Onyx Environmental Services, is managing a contract with Hennepin County Problem Materials Program. He and his wife, Nichole, have been married for seven years and have three children.

Cindy (Sanders) Brzank, '90, New Berlin, is a physical therapist assistant and personal trainer at Health Reach Rehab Services in Brookfield. She and her husband, Ken, have two children.

James Shallow, '90, Suamico, is a senior associate actuary with American Medical Security in Green Bay. His wife, Michelle (Carlson) Shallow, '93, is a homemaker.

"It never ceases to amaze me how well my courses and opportunities at Point have prepared me for the real world."

Terri (Larson) Jicha, '98

Tom Reed, master's '90, Oakdale, Calif., is hunting and fishing coordinator for the National Wildlife Refuge System. In this newly created position, Reed analyzes and develops fishing and hunting policies on refuges. Visitor services, such as educational kiosks. boat launches and docks and interpretive signs are under his purview. He also is starting a new training course for visitor service professionals titled, "The Role of Hunting in Wildlife Conservation and Management." Reed's first position with the agency was in the division of ecological services at the Red Rocks Lakes National Wildlife Refuge in Montana. He then served as refuge manager/officer at three San Diego coastal refuges, Sweetwater Marsh, South San Diego Bay and Tijuana Slough.

### 1980s

Janel Crooks, '89, Munising, Mich., is a recreation planner for the U.S. Forest Service at Hiawatha National Forest in Upper Michigan. In November 2003, she received the Eastern Region Gifford Pinchot Award for excellence in interpretation and environmental education. She also was nominated for the national award.



won a grant from the DNR to survey hunters in and around the chronic wast-Robert Holsman eradication ing disease

Robert

Holsman, '89,

master's '95,

Stevens Point,

zone in southwestern Wisconsin. He is an assistant wildlife professor at UWSP and earned a Ph.D. at Michigan State University. His wife **Angie**, '04, is an early childhood teacher for the Achievement Center in Stevens Point.

Lonny Techel, '89, Wausau, is a commercial insurance agent with Klinner Insurance, insuring forest product businesses including logging operations, log haulers, tree service companies, sawmills, pallet companies and dry kilns. He also is part owner of J and B Pallet Recycling, the largest pallet recycling operation in Minnesota.

Laurie (Wild) Fleischman, '89, Antigo, is business manager for eight radio stations with the New Radio Group of Rhinelander.

Todd Thorpe, '88, Roscoe, Ill., is director of new business development for Trekk Cross-Media, the largest marketing, communication and advertising agency in Rockford, Ill.

Vince Barker, '88, Appleton, serves in the Army Reserve as the battalion executive officer for the 521<sup>St</sup> Maintenance Battalion of Milwaukee. Also an unemployment investigator with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, he taught ROTC at UWSP in 2000-2001. He iust completed six months at Ft. McPherson, Ga., and at Camp Doha, Kuwait, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he came across former UWSP ROTC commander LTC Ralph Sliwicki. Barker and his wife. Stephanie. have two children. Contact him at barkevi@dwd.state.wi.us or Vincent.barker1@us.army.mil.



Amherst, coauthored American Indian Environmental Ethics: an Ojibwa Case Study, pub-

lished by

Michael

Nelson, '88,

Michael Nelson

Prentice-Hall. An associate professor of philosophy and natural resources at UWSP, Nelson collaborated with former UWSP Professor J. Baird Callicott, now at the University of Texas. Nelson has won the Excellence in Teaching Award and Teacher/Scholar in Residence designation since coming to UWSP in 1993. He also has degrees from Michigan State University and Lancaster University in England.

Kimberly (Willy) Messer, '87, Reno. Nev., is a homemaker. She and her husband, Peter, have two children and are planning to adopt a baby from China in 2005.

Win Kipp, '87, North Aurora, Ill., is the central region training manager for Toyota Financial Services in Warrenville, Ill.

Tim Santel, '87, Springfield, Ill., the resident agent in charge of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's law enforcement office in Springfield, was named Officer of the Year by the North American Wildlife Enforcement Officers Association. Santel was honored for his part in Operation Snow Plow, a six-year undercover investigation of the illegal killing of endangered tigers, leopards and snow leopards that resulted in the conviction of all 17 defendants. Previously Santel worked as a microbiologist, wildlife inspector and wildlife biologist.

Thomas Peterson, '85, Janesville, has spent 16 years as a police officer for the Janesville Police Department, with the last three years working undercover for the state line area narcotics team task force. He has one son.

Rita (Schuster) Bills, '85, Richfield, teaches first grade at St. Peter School in Slinger. Her husband, Scott, last attended '85, is a steam fitter and planner at Miller Brewery in Milwaukee. They and their three children are involved in soccer, volleyball and boating.

Laura Sternweis, '84, Ames, Iowa, communication specialist at Iowa State University (ISU) Extension, received the Meritorious Service Award. She has been employed at ISU since earning her master's degree there in 1990. She is married and has two children.

Vicki (Kopf) Bergeron, '83, Bloomingdale, Ill., teaches third grade at St. Matthew School where she has taught for 18 years in prekindergarten, kindergarten, second and third grades. She has three children and says she loves teaching because it is a positive way to affect the future.

# Alumni work together to celebrate environment, Olympics



Students in Costa Rica plant a tree in honor of the Athens Olympic games.

Margaret O'Donnell, '90, Moraga, Calif., is president of the Chemical Safety Corporation in Emeryville, Calif., and a co-founder and director of Athens Environmental Foundation (AEF), a nonprofit organization dedicated to organize, support and promote global environmental awareness inspired by the Athens 2004 Olympic games. She and AEF Program Manager Cody Macartney, '03, Moraga, Calif., work together on AEF's Olympic Year Global Olive Wreath project, which is bringing students and Olympians together in every time zone in over 1,000 schools across the globe to plant a tree for peace and preservation of the planet. Macartney, with the help of the Alumni Association, reached UWSP alumni to help set up tree plantings at schools in Costa Rica and Plover, Wis. In Plover, Olympic wrestler and silver medalist Dennis Hall (below) of Stevens Point spoke to students at Roosevelt Elementary about protecting the environment and Olympic ideals. For more information about the project, contact Macartney at <a href="mailto:codym@athensenvironmental.org">contact Macartney</a> at <a href="mailto:codym@athensenvironmental.org">codym@athensenvironmental.org</a> or visit the AEF Web site at <u>www.athensenvironmental.org</u>.



Roosevelt Elementary School students hold up medals won by Olympic wrestler Dennis Hall.

# Alumni and family teaching legacy in Wautoma schools



Preston Miller (left), his mom, Pat, his dad, Paul, and his sister, Pam, teach in the Wautoma school district, as does Preston's wife, Cynthia (not pictured.) Photo by Sherry Kelley.

While Paul Miller, '73, and his wife Pat, '70, Wautoma, retired from the Wautoma Area School District in June, their son, daughter and daughterin-law are carrying on their teaching legacy in the same district. Paul taught art for 31 years and won several awards including the 1987 Wautoma Middle School Teacher of the Year, the Wisconsin Art Education Special President's Award in 1980, 1987 and 1988, the Kohl Education Foundation Award in 1990 and the Vietnam Veterans Outstanding Achievement Award in 1991. Son Preston, '98, Berlin, an art teacher at Wautoma High School, holds a master's degree from the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts in Philadelphia. Preston's wife, Cindy (Kleinhans), '97, Berlin, teaches art at Riverside Elementary School in Wautoma. Pat taught elementary education for 29 years, retiring as a first grade teacher at Riverview Elementary. She was awarded the 1986 Wautoma Elementary Teacher of the Year and received the Golden Apple Teacher of Distinction Award in 2000. The Miller's daughter Pam, last attended '97, Wautoma, holds a degree from Florida Atlantic University and teaches third grade at Riverview Elementary, just down the hall from her mother's former classroom.

# Golden Apples for top teachers

Four UWSP alumni were honored for excellence in teaching by the Portage County Business Council Foundation's Partners in Education program.



Sue VanDreser, '83, master's '92, was one of two 2004 Golden Apple Award winners. She has taught fifth grade at Washington Elementary School in Stevens Point for the past 16 years and feels that students need to see the value in what they're learning before they become fully engaged in the learning process. She helped her students realize they could make a difference when they worked at improving their playground.

Sue VanDreser

Three of them were among the five 2004 Teachers of Distinction.

Kim Boden, '89, Plover, has taught kindergarten at Jefferson Elementary School for 11 years, using games and real-life situations. For example, her students learn to write using "small moment" stories

about their own experiences.



Jeanette Friess, '78, Stevens Point, has taught at Saint Stephen Elementary School for 26 years, teaching fifth grade for the past eight. She creates learning experiences using crosscurricular units and simulations, such as making history come alive and relevant to her students.

Kris Hesch, master's '93, Plover, has taught at Plover-

Whiting Elementary for 23 years. She uses field trips and real-life examples to enhance her third grade students' learning experiences. To teach use of assembly lines, her students volunteered in the school lunch cafeteria, read about car manufacturing and came up with their own assembly line to create Valentine's Day cards.



Kim Boden





Theresa Wanta, '82, St. Paul, Minn., had a 82 by 48 inch oil painting, Awakening, selected by the Stricoff Fine Art Gallery in New York City for exhibition in July. For more of her work, see www.theresawanta.com.

Lisa Nielsen, '83, Anchorage, Alaska, is the administrative officer for the National Park Service Lake Clark and Katmai national parks and preserves.

Jean (Prasalowicz) Hilger, master's '83, Wisconsin Rapids, teaches there and was the 2002-03 Wisconsin Special Services Teacher of the Year and a 2002 Kohl Award Winner.

Jeffrey Ogurek, '83, Minneapolis, Minn., a commander in the Navy, received a Gold Wreath for recruiting excellence while serving with the Navy Recruiting District in Minneapolis.

Carolyn Papa, '81, Racine, is library manager at All Saints Healthcare, where she has worked for seven years. The library provides health information to consumers and healthcare professionals. She earned a master's degree in library science from UW-Milwaukee in 2003. In her spare time she works with horses and volunteers at The Midwest Therapeutic Riding Clinic in Bristol.

Nancy (Feasel Brucker) Garrett, '81, Alpharetta, Ga., is regional account manager for the U.S. General Services Administration's Southeast Sunbelt Region. Based in Atlanta, she manages accounts in eight southern states for the U.S. Postal Service, Environmental Protection Agency, Housing and Urban Development, Department of Energy, Department of Education, Department of Transportation, Small Business Association and other federal agencies. She previously was the GSA's supervisory property manager for federal property in the southern half of Indiana, managing the award-winning Birch Bayh Federal Building and Courthouse where she established a museum commemorating the courthouse's centennial events and history and the career of former U.S. Senator Birch Bayh. A former Federal Employee of the Year with the Indianapolis Federal Executive Association, she received the GSA's Cornerstone Award for work on behalf of GSA's childcare initiative in federal facilities and the GSA's Eagle Award for partnership on security integration between GSA and the Department of Defense. She is married to Raymond Garrett.

Richard Ninneman, '81, Oconomowoc, is president of the employee benefits division at IMA Financial Group. He previously was executive vice president of sales and marketing operations at

Frank F. Haack and Associates in Milwaukee and has 23 years of experience in health insurance and employee benefits.

Paul Szalajka, '80, Des Plaines. Ill., sells wholesale cut flowers for Kennicott Brothers Co. in Chicago.



Donna Genett

Donna Genett, '80, a psychologist and author of If You Want It Done Right, You Don't Have to Do It Yourself!: the Power of Effective Delegation published by

Quill Driver Books, is an organization development consultant and the president of GenCorp Consulting, a national consulting firm focusing on enhancing performance, productivity and profitability through systems approaches. Her client list has included Bowing, Weyerhaeuser, Port of Seattle, Nextel, International Paper and Seattle's Best Coffee.

### 1970s

Bob Radtke, '79, is an information technology specialist for the Army, assigned to the customer service division at the regional chief information office of the 1st Signal Brigade in Seoul, South Korea.

John Savagian, '79, master's '84, Wauwatosa, is an associate professor of American history and coordinator of the history department at Alverno College in Milwaukee.

Michael Lewis, '79, Kenosha, teaches physical education at Grant and Bain Elementary Schools and is the varsity girls' tennis coach at Kenosha Tremper High School. He is married to Linda Naidicz.



Michael Knapstein

Knapstein, 79, Middleton, president of Waldbillig and Besteman, was one of two recipients of the Silver Medal Award, the top honor bestowed by the Madison Advertising

Federation, His wife, Annette, director of integrated marketing communications at American Family Insurance, was the other recipient.

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Allen Schuette, '78, Chilton, is a business and technology consultant with Clifton Gunderson. He served three years on the Chilton City Council and was the Chilton American Field Service chapter president. His wife, Karen (O'Connell), '77, works for Chilton Area Catholic Schools. They have hosted several foreign students and had a son and daughter in the Americans Abroad program.

Gregory Turner, '78, Red Wing, Minn., is a regional manager for the Minnesota DNR. He has previously been a field officer, field training officer, background investigator and district supervisor. His daughter will attend UWSP this fall.

Kathleen (Roberts) Itzin, '78, Turtle Lake, is a retired special education teacher. Her husband, William, is a retired music teacher. They have three children and one grandson.

Charles Wooley, '78, Lakeville, Minn., is deputy regional director of the Great Lakes – Big Rivers Region (Region 3), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), headquartered in Fort Snelling, Minn. Wooley works with agency staff and program managers to oversee activities in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The region encompasses 1.2 million acres of land and water on 12 wetland management districts and 55 national wildlife refuges, with more than 240,000 acres in waterfowl protection areas. He has been with the Fish and Wildlife Service since graduating from UWSP and has worked in Alaska. Florida and Maryland. In addition, he served as a program analyst in Washington, D.C., for the President's Domestic Policy Council Interagency Task Force on Wetlands and the U.S. House of Representative's Merchant Marine Fisheries Committee. He also participated in the Department of Interior's Manager Development Program. Prior to becoming deputy regional director, he was the field supervisor at the agency's East Lansing, Mich., office. He is an American Fisheries Society certified fisheries scientist, is married and has two daughters.

John Matel, '77, Vienna, Va., is a Foreign Service officer for the U.S. State Department, serving in Washington D.C. as director of **International Information Programs** for Europe and Eurasia. He recently served as a State Department fellow at the Fletcher School of

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Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. Contact him at John.Matel@tufts.edu.

Kim Erway Birck, '76, Missoula, Mont., is a docent at the Art Museum of Missoula and the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula. She also volunteers at the Montana Natural History Center.

Kathryn (Flemming) Wienstein, '76, Oro Valley, Ariz., teaches health education for the Amphitheater

School District. She was in UWSP's health education program when it first began and has taught for 27 years, including 13 years in Virginia and four years in Arizona. Christine Beatty, '75, Madison, is

the city's senior center director and was named chairperson of the National Institute of Senior Centers in San Francisco. The organization represents 15,000 senior centers across the country and is a constituent group of the National Council on Aging. She is president of the 550-member Rotary Club of Madison. Her husband of 30 years, Fred Kauffeld, a former UWSP instructor of communication, is a professor at Edgewood College.

Geo (Trittin) Merbach, '75, Appleton, has had varied life experiences, working in retail, owning a wholesale business and telemarketing. She says she is seeking alternatives on all frontsmedical, educational, employment and creative.

Barbara (Wilson) Wulf, '75, Orono, Minn., is a certified personal and professional life coach with Beckon Call. She provides career services and customized presentations with titles including The Power of Coaching, Goal Setting with Success, The Leader in Me, and Coping with Unemployment. As a life coach she offers individual sessions in person and over the phone designed to deepen learning, forward action and provide focused achievement of the client's desired outcomes. For more information, go to www.beckoncall-coach.com.



Don Gunderson

Don Gunderson, 74, Plover, is executive director of the **UWSP** Paper Science Foundation, leading fund-raising activities, coordinating

student scholarships, supporting student recruitment and managing the foundation. He also leads paper industry workshops for UWSP Extension. Previously he worked for Stora Enso in Wisconsin Rapids (formerly Consolidated Papers) for 35 years and was a special waste manager for Onyx North America.



Tom Reich, 74. masters '03, Almond, prestigious ParamGun Sood Distinguished Thesis award from the Midwestern Association of

Graduate Schools (MAGS) for his 600-page project, "Higher Education in Vietnam: United States Agency for International Development Contract in Education." It describes UWSP's role in advising the South Vietnamese government on education during the Vietnam War. The first UWSP graduate student to win the award. Reich was chosen from nominations from all Midwestern graduate schools. He also won UWSP's 2003 Distinguished Master's Thesis Award, the Chancellor's Leadership Award and the Graduate Council Award as an

Outstanding Research Assistant. Reich is a manager in the government documents area of UWSP's Library and coordinates Wisconsin's Central Region Competition for National History Day.

Sandy Swanson, '74, Fox Point, was selected as Wisconsin's nominee for the 2004 National Education Association Foundation Award for Teaching Excellence. Swanson is a food service teacher and school-to-work coordinator at Menomonee Falls High School. She has a master's degree from Cardinal Stritch University, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards certification and earned her district's Professional Development Certificate.

Ron Konkol, '73, Madison, is team leader of employment support systems for the Social Security Administration. He won a \$500 Lloyd D. Gladfelter Award for government efficiency by leading a team of co-workers to develop a database program to process all disability beneficiaries' work reports. The program replaced a cumbersome review of paperwork for each case and produces a net savings in processing costs of approximately \$8.9 million per year. His wife, Deborah (Simon), '73, is a preschool teacher at Orchard Ridge Nursery School.

Nancy Moriarty, '72, Buckley, Wash., is a developmental disabilities administrator at Rainier School.

Karen (Willborn) Bogenschneider, '72, Spring Green, a child and family studies professor at UW-Madison, received one of two Bascom Professorships, the highest honor a tenured faculty member can receive, in recognition of her exemplary career and promise for continued contributions. She has received several awards for her research and outreach including five national and two state awards. In 1992 she established the Wisconsin Family Impact Seminars to inform state legislators and other policy makers how public policy affects families. Author of Family Policy Matters: How Policymaking Affects Families and What Professionals Can Do, she lectures widely on policymaking and families. Her future work will focus on connecting research to policymaking. She plans to survey state policymakers on their research needs.

James Kloes, '72, Appleton, is the head coach of women's soccer at Ripon College. He previously coached varsity boys' soccer at Little Chute High School, where he taught physical education. A teacher for 32 years, he has coached boys' and girls' youth soccer and indoor soccer for those 19 and under. He also has been a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Association referee for five years.

T.J. Edwards, '71, Spooner, retired as conservation warden supervisor. He now rides horses and raises Christmas trees. His wife, Elizabeth **Todd Edwards**, last attended '71, is an occupational therapist for the Cooperative Educational Service Agency (CESA).

Barry Thresher, '70, Rhinelander, was named vice president of special products with J N Manson Insurance Agencies of Wausau, Minocqua, Tomahawk and Rhinelander. He's taught continuing education classes at Nicolet College in Rhinelander.

Jim Campbell, '70, Wausau, is a client executive for MSI Systems Integrators. He retired as Lieutenant Colonel and Cobra and Huey helicopter pilot after 20 years in the Marine Corps. He also retired from IBM after almost 28 years in sales. He enjoys investing time with Wausau area youth organizations including the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and is a Wisconsin hunter safety instructor and Wausau Leadership Class graduate.

# 1960s

Dean Dablow, '69, Ruston, La., is director of the School of Art at Louisiana Tech University, where he is a professor and was head of the photography program for 20 years. His work is in museums across the country and in 2001 he published a book about photographs taken in Louisiana in the 30s and 40s by the Farm Security Administration. He has a master's degree from the University of Iowa. He enjoyed studying with a large group of talented students at UWSP in the late 60s, when "the excitement was something to see."

Barbara (Foxe) Pfeiffer, '68, Port St. Lucie, Fla., is a retired community college counselor. Her husband, Richard, '69, died in February.

Cheryl (Howard) Vander Linden, '67, Dallas, Texas, works in business development for Title Texas. She has twin sons living in New York and working in Manhattan. She welcomes alumni of the class of '67 to email her at cvanderlinden@titletex.com.

Anne Graver Edwards, '66, Columbia, Mo., retired early from the University of Missouri-Columbia (UMC) in 2000, after a 33-year career as a librarian at UMC and at Macalester College in St. Paul. Minn.

Richard Wilkinson, last attended '64, Poynette, owns Ernie's Riverdale Inn in Muscoda and is a business broker, real estate investor/property manager and Poynette school board president.



Richard Stroede

Stroede, '61, Defiance, Ohio, retired from a 40-year career at Defiance College and was awarded the silver Pilgrim Medal, the highest

Richard

honor the college bestows, recognizing the traits of reliance in self, pride in work, courage in conscience, strength in education and faith in God. He spent three decades as a faculty member including 10 years as chair of the music department, six years as chair of the fine arts division and two years as associate academic dean. For the past 10 years he was vice president for academic affairs and academic dean. He holds a master's degree from UW-Madison.

### 1950s

Don Rank, '59, Lewiston, Mich., has retired after 26 years with the Social Security Administration. As a management analyst at the SSA headquarters in Baltimore, Md., he led an award-winning project that allowed customers to do business over the phone. His wife, Janice, i also retired.

James Miller, '58, Stoughton, is retired from the DNR where he was involved in forest fire prevention and forestry law enforcement and was a staff specialist and locomotive inspector.

Fred Jensen, '52, Rochester, Minn., retired in September after 30 years with the U.S. Department of Defense, having lived in Japan and Germany. His wife, Carolyn (Miller) Jensen, '66, master's '71, is a retired teacher and administrator who worked in Lake Geneva, Plymouth and for the Department of Defense.

Margaret (Thirkill) Blaisdell, '52, Janesville, is a retired elementary teacher who taught in Biron and in Shirland, Rockton and Roscoe, Ill. "Some of the finest times of my life were the years spent at college in Stevens Point," she says.

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# Alumna marks 100th birthday with Home Economics donation



Floy Salter celebrates her 100th birthday

Floy Salter, '23, Menomonee Falls, marked the occasion of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday with a \$1,000 gift to the Home Economics Centennial Endowment fund.

Salter, who turned 101 in July, wanted to do something special for the school and for herself as one of the oldest living alumni of the home economics department. She was one of three donors this year recognized with a four by eight inch brick at the Centennial Garden at the College of Professional Studies (CPS) building on campus.

"I hope that this donation will help to further their education and help them become successful professionals," Salter said about students in the home economics program areas: interior architecture, dietetics and family and consumer sciences.

Salter's fondest memories are of Bessie May Allen, then head of the department, and of living in the Sims cottage to learn how to keep house, clean and entertain. "Bessie Mae would come to the cottage for dinner to critique our manners, serving skills, food and overall entertaining abilities," Salter recalls.

She enjoyed learning how to cook and make candies, especially fudge and toffee which her family has enjoyed over the years during the holidays. She also enjoyed learning how to make hats, as that was the fashion in those days, as well as going tobogganing and to football games.

In addition to Salter's gift, \$1,000 donations were given by Nancy (Ripp) Werho, '65, and anonymously in honor of Professor Emerita Agnes Jones. Twenty-two alumnae have previously donated \$1,000 or more to the centennial endowment and have their names on tiles in the centennial garden.



Jeff Pagels, '70, Green Bay, and his son, Corey, '98, Oregon, Ill., traveled to Tanzania, Africa, in the fall of 2003 to climb the 19,340-foot Mt. Kilimanjaro. Jeff made it to 17,500 feet to become the first person using a wheelchair to climb that high. Corey reached the summit and on the way down rescued a Danish climber who had become ill and disoriented. Read more about the trip on the Web site at www.rainbowexpedition.com.

# Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity 50 year reunion planned

Alumni of Alpha Phi Omega (APO) will gather on October 1 and 2 during Homecoming 2004 (see page 16 for schedule) to remember times of service, leadership, and fellowship that began at UWSP.

Lambda Sigma Chapter held its first meeting on November 16, 1954, and recieved a national charter on Feb. 19, 1956.

After a short inactive period, APO was reactivated in 1962. William C. Hansen, then president of Central State Teachers College, was initiated as an honorary member. APO continued its strong role of leadership and service on campus until 1982.

Projects APO assisted with over the years included a bloodmobile drive, ugly man on campus competition, winter carnival, supervision of student elections, Boy Scouts support, charity fundraisers, and campus cleanup.

The Alpha Phi Omega Alumni Scholarship was established in 1974, based on involvement in service and leadership activities. President Emeritus Hansen presented the first scholarship. It is usually presented to a non traditional student at the APO alumni homecoming reception.

Due to the enthusiasm generated by the 50-year reunion, several APO alumni have expressed an interest in taking action to reactivate the chapter on the UWSP campus.

# **Obituaries of alumni**

# 1990s

**Timothy Kilger**, '90, Mount Calvary, died Dec. 10 at age 35. He was a manufacturer's representative for Certainteed Corp. He enjoyed the outdoors and took trips out West and to Canada. His fiancée, Sheri Weber, and her two children survive.

# 1980s

Terri (DeWitt) Tinsley, '86, Fort Atkinson, died Dec. 9 at age 39 as the result of a car accident. She earned a master's degree at Lesley College in Cambridge, Mass., and was a teacher, media specialist, tech coordinator and program director, most recently directing a distance education network for nine school districts, three area technical schools and a university in Jefferson and eastern Dane counties. She was founder and president of Arf's German Shepherd Rescue and headed the Web site and listserv for Wisconsin Dog Rescue and Pet Rescue Network. Her husband, Perry, survives, as do several pets.

Anne (Carpenter) Carlson, '81, formerly of Stevens Point, died Oct. 27 at age 56. She taught for one year in Mauston and then was library media specialist and librarian at Ben Franklin Junior High for 31 years, retiring in 1999 due to poor health. Her husband, John, survives.

Lynne Ruge-Owen, '81, Sheboygan, died Oct. 13 at age 49. Prior to retiring due to illness, she was a dietitian at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, where she had earned a second degree. She also worked for the Thonet Chair Co.

### 1970s

Gregory Marr, '76, Waupaca, died Dec. 19 at age 52. He worked for the *Waupaca County Post* and then created and was editor of *Silent Sports*, a magazine about biking, canoeing and cross country skiing. He also enjoyed playing softball in Stevens Point. His wife, Martha, and two stepchildren survive.

**Timothy "Toby" Boyle**, '75, Tucson, Ariz., died Sept. 26 at age 51.

Cynthia (Erickson) Baumgartner, '75, Baraboo, died Jan. 4 at age 51. She earned a master's degree from the University of Idaho and was a counselor for the district 241 schools in Idaho and a drug and alcohol counselor. She is survived by a daughter and a son.

Patti (Tomsyck) Helm, '73, Middleton, died Dec. 11 at age 52. She worked at American Family Insurance for 19 years, eventually becoming the director of public relations. In 1996 she started her own firm, PR Helm. She mentored at-risk youths, was on the Madison Ronald McDonald House's founding board and Breast Cancer Recovery Foundation board and helped organize the Susan B. Komen Foundation Race for the Cure. She is survived by her husband, Rob, and a stepson.

**Peter Fuqua**, '71, Cypress, Calif., died Dec. 4 after a long battle with cancer. He was a chemist with Los Angeles County Sanitation District.

### 1960s

David Charles, master's '69, Iola, died Dec. 1 at age 68. He earned a bachelor's degree from Saint Norbert College and was an instructor at Roosevelt Military Academy in Illinois for three years, achieving the rank of captain. He taught at Iola-Scandinavia High School, then at Pacelli High School for 35 years. He was head of the Social Studies

Department and a member of the La Crosse Diocese Social Studies Committee. An honorary member of the Christian Brothers Society, he also coached football, basketball and track at each school. His wife, Jeanne, and four children survive.

Richard Pfeiffer, '69, Port Lucie, Fla., died Feb. 7. He was executive director of Mid-State Special Education Cooperative for 26 years in St. Charles, Ill., before retiring to Florida. While at UWSP he was an Albertson Award winner and president of the Siasefi's. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Barbara, '68, a son and a daughter.

David Schultz, '69, Oconto, died at age 58. He was drafted into the Army and stationed in Olympia, Wash. He settled in Oconto where he became district conservationist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Department, serving for 32 years and retiring in April 2001. For the past two years, he was a temporary groundskeeper for the Oconto Unified school district. His wife of 36 years, Lana, a son and daughter survive.

Muriel (Fitzsimmons) Kopach, '68, Coloma, died Oct. 10 at age 84. She taught in several grade schools, finishing her career in the Westfield district, and was a volunteer for many community services. She was preceded in death by her husband, Paul, and is survived by her seven children.

Rita (Kleibet) Blatus, master's '68, Wausau, died Feb. 7 at age 78. She held a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and a doctorate from UW-Madison. She taught speech and psychology at Northcentral Technical College for more than 30 years, retiring in 1995. She also taught at Laona High School and Newman High School and did private tutoring in her home. The author of the textbook, Personal Psychology for Life and Work, she received the Wisconsin Award for Professional Excellence in 1995 from the Wisconsin Vocation Association. Her husband, John, and five children survive.

James Leo, '68, Lynn, Mass., died Sept. 2 at age 57. He earned a master's degree from UW-Milwaukee and a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1983. He worked on various government atmospheric science research programs throughout the country. He also taught at Salem College in Salem, Mass., and was in the Air Force at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas, receiving an honorable discharge in 1970. While in college, he won a week of space program training at Kennedy Space Center in Florida, an honor given to only one student per state.

Grace Zdroik, '66, Stevens Point, died Oct.11 at age 78. She attended Cardinal Stritch University and taught fourth grade at St. Joseph Parochial School from 1957 to 1990. She continued as a library aide for the St. Joseph and St. Stephen School library.

Ethel (Brehmer) Schwartzkopf, '64, formerly of Norrie, died Nov. 14 at age 80. She taught elementary school in Birnamwood and the D.C. Everest school district for more than 30 years, retiring in 1989. She and her husband, Arthur, who preceded her in death, also operated a dairy farm in Norrie. She was a member of several community and educational organizations. Two children survive.

Alice (Ueeck) Runnels, '63, Wautoma, died Jan. 2 at age 92. Prior to studying at UWSP, she earned a degree at the Waushara County Teachers College and taught at several schools. She also did graduate work in speech therapy at UWSP. She retired in 1973 as a speech therapist and art teacher in the Wautoma Public Schools. She was a member of several community

organizations. Preceded in death by her husband, Carl, she is survived by her son, **Bruce**, '72.

James Larson, '60, Osseo, died Jan. 5 at age 70. He served in the Air Force from 1952 to 1955. He worked at Honeywell in Minneapolis, Minn., and attended the University of Minnesota before graduating from UWSP. He taught high school in Boscobel, Tomahawk and Sun Prairie, and received a master's degree from UW-Madison. He was school district administrator in Augusta, West Salem and Cochrane-Fountain City and served as the regional director of U.S. Representative Steve Gunderson's home office. A member of community and professional organizations, he retired in 1987 and moved to Clam Lake. A son and daughter survive.

# 1950s

Orville Koepke, '57, Appleton, died Feb. 5 at age 72. An Army veteran, he taught at Roosevelt Junior High School and Appleton East High School where he coached basketball and volleyball and was adviser to several clubs. After retiring, he was an alcohol and drug counselor for Theda Behavioral Care. His wife, Marge, and three children survive.

Bertha (Putzel) Holt, one-year certificate '29, two-year certificate '49, three-year certificate '51, '56, formerly of Neillsville, died Jan. 23 at age 94. She earned a master's degree from Winona State College. She taught in several country schools and then spent most of her career at Granton Public Schools. She retired in 1975 but continued substitute teaching until age 85. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward, and is survived by two sons and a daughter.

Helen (Wrolstad) (Williams)
Stoltenberg, one-year certificate
'33, '56, Waupaca, died Dec. 16 at
age 89. She taught in rural schools,
Iola grade schools and Waupaca
schools until her retirement. She
served in the U.S. Navy WAVES
from 1944 to 1945. She married
William Williams in 1946, and he
preceded her in death in 1972.
In 1974, she married Jerome
Stoltenberg, who preceded her in
death in 1985. She is survived by
three stepchildren.

Hazel (Williams) Mesner, two-year certificate '47, three-year certificate '51, '55, Tomah, died Jan. 19 at age 86. She taught school in Norway Ridge, Mather, Tomah and Warrens, where she later became principal. She retired from the Tomah school district in 1987. She and her husband, William, who preceded her in death, owned a snowmobile business. Her daughter survives.

Ruth Boettcher, '54, Merrill, died Jan. 1 at age 83. She taught in several Merrill area elementary schools for 45 years and belonged to the Merrill Retired Teachers Association, Park City Study Club and various golf leagues. She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard.

Marlyn "Marlie" Gilbert, '53, Green Bay, died Dec. 18 at age 76 after battling Alzheimer's disease. He served in the Army in Korea from 1946 to 1947, and taught history and coached track and football in Marion. He earned a master's degree in counseling from UW-Madison in 1960 and was a guidance counselor at Franklin Jr. High, East and Southwest High Schools in Green Bay until retiring in 1988. He enjoyed woodworking and built a cottage in Three Lakes. His wife of 50 years, Joan, '54, two sons and two daughters survive.

**Donald Mangold**, '51, Green Bay, died Nov. 3 at age 75. He served in the Navy in World War II and for many years was product manager of

the Thilmany Pulp and Paper Corporation (now International Paper Co. Kaukauna facility) and was a member of its Quarter Century and Management Club. While in Kaukauna, he served on the St. Aloysius School Board and City Planning Commission. In retirement he served as a full-time consultant for Thilmany. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Peg. He married Carolyn Krueger in 1988 and she survives, as do his two children.

Raymond Szymanski, '50, Marathon, died Jan. 13 at age 76. A veteran of the Navy, he was a member of the American Legion. He taught and coached in Scandinavia and Abbotsford schools, then became an administrator in the Abbotsford and Thorp school districts after earning a master's degree from the University of Minnesota. He was an education director in Tomah and a professor at UW-Stout prior to retiring in 1989. His wife, Irene, and six children survive.

# 1940s

Elizabeth "Betty" Swenson, '49, Iola, died Jan. 14 at age 75. She taught in Park Falls, Hartford, Berlin, Waupaca, Portage, New Foundland and Japan and for 23 years at D.C. Everest in Schofield. A Spanish teacher for much of her career, she traveled extensively due to her interest in foreign languages. She was a Girl Scout leader in New Foundland and a Campfire Girls leader in Portage and enjoyed knitting layette items and small sweaters to give to children in need.

Melvin "Mel" Booth, '46, Winter Haven, Fla., died Dec. 1 at age 81. He was a teacher and principal at Durkee and Vernon elementary schools and Lincoln Junior High School in Kenosha, and was a member of state, county and local education associations. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II and earned a master's degree at UW-Madison. He is survived by his wife, Isla, and three sons.

Gertrude (Pilz) Douglas, '44, Neenah, died Dec. 24 at age 91. She taught in several rural schools and in Waupaca and Neenah elementary schools. Her husband, Louis, preceded her in death. She is survived by a stepson.

Ardis (McIntee) Trowbridge, '43, Richland Center, died Oct. 18 at age 79. She also earned a degree from UW-La Crosse and taught elementary school in LaFarge and Richland school district, retiring early in 1979 to take care of her husband, Robert, who preceded her in death. She is survived by a son and daughter.

Margaret (Wirsbinski) Miller, two-year certificate '43, formerly of Green Valley, died Oct.18 at age 89. She taught elementary school in Halder, Stratford and Bergen, and farmed in Green Valley with her husband, Arnold, now deceased. A son survives.

Gertrude "Trudy" (Rondeau)
Wildermuth, '43, Berlin, died Feb.
11 at age 83. She taught in Kaukauna
for two years, then was married and
had four children. After her children
were grown, she taught middle
school in Berlin. She was preceded in
death by her husband, Chuck.

Harriet (Burant) Domaszek, '42, Amherst Junction, died Dec. 20 at age 82. She taught in the Rosholt school district for several years, then helped her husband run a farm until their retirement in 1985. She served as town clerk of New Hope from 1978 to 1994. She was preceded in death by her husband, Anton, and is survived by her daughter and three sons.

**Elisabeth Cress**, '42, Merrill, died March 8.

Janette "Jane" (Rogers) Larson, '41, formerly of Stevens Point, died Dec. 30 at age 81. She earned a degree from UW-Madison. She taught second grade in Milwaukee for a few years then moved several times, settling in Stevens Point in 1981 and moving to Greenfield in 1996. She was preceded in death by her husband, Hal, and is survived by seven children.

# 1930s

Berniece (Atkins) Buchholtz, '38, Bloomer, died Jan. 7 at age 86. She taught high school music for many years, and taught piano and played organ at her church for more than 60 years. She also helped deliver Meals-On-Wheels. Her husband, Alvin, preceded her in death. She is survived by two sons.

Sherman Groves, '38, Verona, died Nov. 13 at age 85. He taught mathematics in Tripoli and Fifield and coached basketball at Fifield, then taught at Great Lakes Naval Academy in Chicago from 1942-1945 while he was in the Navy. He was a school administrator and principal in Prentice and superintendent in New Richmond. He retired from the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction in 1981. He married Helen O'Hare in 1943, and she preceded him in death in 1999. He married Joyce Sullivan in 2000, she survives.

Roberta (Sparks) Brown, '35, Tempe, Ariz., died Jan. 21 at age 90. She also attended UW-Madison, UW-Superior and the University of Minnesota-Duluth and taught in Eagle River, Superior, and Duluth. She lived in Superior for 42 years and was an active leader in many community organizations. She and her husband, Maurice, who preceded her in death, moved to Arizona in 1979. She is survived by her daughter.

Lucile (Twist) Hare, '35, Waukesha, died Feb. 2 at age 89. Her husband, Arthur, preceded her in death and she is survived by two daughters.

Eleanor (Marchel) Strasser, '34, formerly of Stevens Point, died Jan. 15 at age 91 in Mesa, Ariz. She taught in Rosholt, Ellis, Nelsonville, Amherst and several schools in Stevens Point, retiring at McKinley school in 1978. A member of several professional and community organizations, she volunteered for many charities and causes and gave presentations about living wills in Portage County. She had earned 25 credits toward a doctoral degree. She loved to travel and visited most of the 50 states and 15 foreign countries. Her husband, Harry, and three children survive.

Marjorie (Johnson) Larson, threeyear certificate '28, '33, Washburn, died Nov. 16 at age 96. She taught high school for 16 years then moved to Detroit, Mich. where she was a secretary until 1971. She later lived in Bayfield and Washburn, where she was a member of several educational and community organizations. She was preceded in death by her husband, Leonard.

# 1920s

Elsie Daehling, '23, formerly of Cudahy, died Jan. 19 at age 102. She taught for the Milwaukee Public Schools, retiring in 1968. She was involved in her church and several senior center activities. She was preceded in death by her husband, Emil, and one son. One son survives.

# 1910s

Alice (Bruce) Menzel, last attended '16, Amherst, died Nov. 5 at age 105. She was married to Carl Menzel in 1917 and he preceded her in death in 1983. She was active in civic groups, and at age 104 became the oldest member admitted to the Daughters of the American Revolution. Four children survive.

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# **Homecoming 2004 events**

# Friday, Oct. 1

### Siasefi Golf Outing

- Noon, golf outing
- 4 p.m. Picnic at Bukolt Park Lodge. Contact Chappy for more information at 715-344-8191 or by e-mail at imchappy@tznet.com.

### Alpha Phi Omega Alumni Social

• 5-9 p.m. Stevens Point Brewery Hospitality Room

#### Fisheries Society Alumni Banquet

• 5 p.m.-midnight Laird Room, University Center. For more information or an invitation, contact Mike Kosinski at mkosi333@uwsp.edu or 708-227-5681, or Nick Legler at nleg1671@uwsp.edu. Registration deadline is September 24.

### **Alumni Marching Band Social**

• 8 p.m. Archie's Bar and Grill

#### TKF Social

• 9 p.m. Archie's Bar and Grill. Contact Phil Kallas at 715-341-6554

# Saturday, Oct. 2

#### **Alumni and Friends Coffee**

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

### **Homecoming Parade**

10 a.m. Winds through campus streets. The parade features the Alumni Marching Band and floats by campus organizations, residence halls and community. 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. Call 877-764-6801 for more information.

### TKE Meeting

 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. UC Room 113. Following the meeting, alumni and undergrads will gather at the TKE house, 1632 Main St.

### University Centers Alumni

10:30 a.m. (following parade) All centers alumni, come join us at the UC for a reunion. Burgers and brats will be available. Come and enjoy the company of other alumni who were also kooky and crazy enough to work for the centers.

### Alumni Association Burger and Brat Bash

 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Buy burgers, brats, french fries and help support the Future Alumni Association. Join us for lunch after the parade at Partner's Pub, 2600 Stanley St. Hosted by the UWSP Alumni Association and the Future Alumni Association.

#### **Steiner Hall Reunion**

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Any and all past residents are invited to a reception in the basement of Steiner Hall. For more information contact the Alumni Office at 877-764-6801.
6 p.m. - ??? The group will gather at Ella's.

### **Homecoming Football Game**

• 1 p.m. Goerke Field. The Pointers battle UW-LaCrosse in this year's homecoming game. For football game tickets, call the UWSP Box Office at 715-346-4100 or 800-838-3378.

### CNR Alumni Reunion

• -8 p.m. Bukolt Park Lodge - Beer, soda, munchies, brats n' burgers cookout, kids activities, volleyball, riverfront trail walk

### Fifth Quarter Reception

• 5 p.m. LaFollette Lounge, University Center

### **English Department Reunion**

- 5 p.m. Wine and cheese reception at the Smith Scarabocchio Art Museum, located in the renovated Point Bakery (800 Main Street)
- 7 p.m. Dinner and cash bar at Hibachi Joe's (1140 Church Street).
   Reception and dinner cost is \$20/person. For more information or to register contact the Alumni Office at 877-764-6801 (toll free).

### 1989 London Reunion

• 6 p.m. Dinner at Michele's Restaurant, 513 Division St. Any questions, contact Steve Zywicki at the UWSP Alumni Office, 1-877-764-6801.

### Homecoming Banquet and Hall of Fame Induction

• 6-8:30 p.m. Laird Room, University Center. Registration fee is \$15 per person. Includes dinner and induction program. Advance registration is required. Please call 715-346-3811 or toll free 877-764-6801 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu.

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University Center Brewhaus, food and beverages available.

Fri., Oct. 1 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sat., Oct. 2 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

