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From the desk of the Alumni Association director...

Greetings from the Second Floor of Old Main online!

It has been a busy few months on the campus and in the Alumni Association as usual. On the heels of a terrific Homecoming where we saw a record number of alumni, friends, and community members join us for the All Campus Picnic (over 800!) we kept right on moving with our student awards ceremonies, Commencement and our Chapter meetings to continue to engage alumni everywhere.

Looking ahead to the rest of 2010, the fun will continue with a great variety of unique chapter events aimed at calling out to alumni everyone for networking, behind the scenes tours, and fun!

This fall also brought with it the opportunity of moving to one printed version of the *Alumnus* and one online version of the *Alumnus*. We are truly proud of the response we got when we asked how many of you would like to receive the *Alumnus* online – we definitely have some green in our purple and gold blood! As we continued discussions about the *Alumnus*, future, the budget, and the environment, it all seemed to coalesce in an obvious direction we could not ignore.

To that end, we have shifted from two print editions to one print edition. This move saves us money, helps the environment, and opens the door for more dynamic content and a two way conversation with you. That said, we are also very aware that not everyone has access to the internet and that is why we will continue to print our Fall *Alumnus*. For this issue, we are sending postcards to all alumni for whom we don't have an e-mail address and encouraging them to check out the content online and, if they should choose to, print off their own copy to read.

We also want to thank everyone who sent in Nominations for our re-vamped Distinguished Alumni Council Awards. We got a tremendous response from faculty, staff, alumni, friends and community members and we are delighted to have such an amazing amount of outstanding alumni to consider. While there will only be a few winners each year, the alumni stories we are hearing from nominators are having impacts far beyond the plaque and we truly thank you for helping us build this program.

Another advantage to moving our publication online in the spring is that we have more room for content. While I am told this doesn't mean I can write pages and pages of text, it does give me the opportunity to share a few more highlights of the past few months.

Two of those highlights were our alumni events in Portland, Ore., Washington, DC. and Phoenix, Ariz. Please check out the pictures from those events, and from all our summer events, online. It was truly an honor to be able to meet our alumni on the East and West Coast and hear their Pointer stories. It continues to be humbling to hear about the great things our alumni are doing to change the world and these cities are no exception. Our host in Washington, D.C. is a recent graduate and former SGA president. Her name is Melissa Cichantek, '06 and she is working in DC right now advocating for sustainable farming practices across the nation. She is an amazingly passionate alumna and truly dedicated to her cause.

Another, more recent highlight, was cheering on our UWSP Men's Basketball Team as they made it to the Final Four in Salem, VA. Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs, Dana Mallett, '03 & '08 rode the fan bus to Virginia and helped coordinate a great post-game Pointer party at the Salem Civic Center. Fun was had by all and it was wonderful to be able to support the team as they went on to claim their third national title in seven years in DIII basketball! If you haven't checked out the video from the tournament yet, you can find it on the front page of the UWSP Web site (www.uwsp.edu or on the UWSP Alumni Association Facebook page www.facebook.com (search for UWSP Alumni Association under groups to join.)

On behalf of all of us in the UWSP Alumni Association, thank you for your continued support, dedication, and enthusiasm. We have amazing Pointer alumni across the globe and you continue to lift UWSP up in all areas. Thank you for keeping our alma mater strong and relevant for students of today and tomorrow. It truly is a great day to be a Pointer!

Sincerely,

Laura Gehrman Rottier, '02
UWSP Alumni Association, director

Pointers online...

a fresh look at UWSP today

www.uwsp.edu/alumni

The spring issue of the Pointer Alumnus being published entirely online is just one of the ways UWSP is making the most of the opportunities of the Internet.

Alumni and friends may now find up-to-date news, highlights and features online at www.uwsp.edu or at social Web sites such as Facebook and LinkedIn.

While the Pointer Alumnus will be back in its printed form this fall, go online each April for the spring issue and continue to log onto UWSP on the Web for the most up-to-date news, features, videos and networking possibilities.

VIDEO

Virtually visit UWSP by going to www.uwsp.edu/design08/videoplayer/video.aspx to find video footage from recent events, such as the journey of the men's basketball team's NCAA Division III national championship or highlights from the 2010 Arts Bash. The site includes an archive of videos ranging from views of Schmeekle Reserve on a summer day to the latest UWSP open house, awards honorees and a deeper look into UWSP's The Thailand Project. Other video projects in the works include a UWSP YouTube channel.

FACEBOOK

Pointers are everywhere, and that includes Facebook. You can find a list of some of the official UWSP Facebook sites at www.uwsp.edu/trailblazers/PointersonFacebook.aspx, which includes groups for alumni, parents, classes, semester abroad trips, athletics and student organizations. Let the Alumni Affairs office know if you have a Pointer Facebook page to connect with others.



LINKEDIN

Network with fellow Pointers in a group through the professional networking site, LinkedIn, at www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=137311. Use this resource to connect to other Pointers who may need a job or have employment opportunities.

THE CONNECTING POINT AND MORE!

And of course, The Connecting Point, <https://www.alumnicconnections.com/olc/pub/UWSP>, the online business directory, www.uwsp.edu/Alumni/business.aspx, and online alumni update form, <https://forms.uwsp.edu/alumni/keepInTouch.htm>, continue to operate to keep alumni connected to UWSP and each other.

Career Services waives CareerPoint fee



UWSP Career Services' online system, CareerPoint, is now free of charge for Pointer graduates.

The service, which connects students and alumni to employers, had been free for currently enrolled students and recent graduates, and available for a fee to graduates who have been out of school for more than a year.

Due to the current state of our economy, Career Services is waiving the \$20 fee for graduates to use CareerPoint through 2010. The majority of positions in CareerPoint are geared toward current students or recent graduates seeking internship, temp/seasonal or early career positions; however, there are some positions posted that are appropriate for individuals with more experience. Features of CareerPoint include:

- ✎ Jobs database
- ✎ Employer database
- ✎ On-campus interview schedules
- ✎ Career events calendar
- ✎ Career services e-mail list
- ✎ Mentor database
- ✎ Electronic resume book (searchable by employers)-optional

If you are interested in using CareerPoint, please contact Career Services at career@uwsp.edu to create or update your profile in the system and obtain access information.

UWSP Alumni Awards honorees featured in online videos

Get to know the 2009 alumni award winners up-close and personal! UWSP's Distinguished Alumnus, **Dale Klapmeier**, '83, the Alumni Service Award winner, **Anne Gilfry Schierl M.D.**, and the two William C. Hansen Distinguished Service Award winners, **James Anderson**, '89, and **Dorothy Vallier**, are featured in online videos on the UWSP Web site! Just go to the UWSP home page and click on "Play video" to see a variety of choices, including those of our award winners. View them and see what makes them so important to UWSP.

2009 Homecoming - festivities and memories

Pointers celebrated Homecoming 2009 with a winning football game, free community picnic and a reunion of International Programs alumni. For photos, go to www.uwsp.edu/alumni and click on the photos at the bottom of the home page.

Pointers across America

The Alumni Association hosted several events at locals across the United States over the fall and spring, including stops in Washington D.C., Naples, Fla., Portland, Ore., and Phoenix, Arizona.

Would you like to find fellow Pointers in your own neighborhood? Host an alumni gathering event in your area! The Alumni Affairs office can help you make this happen by providing contacts for nearby Pointers, helping with the printing and mailing of invitations, and even sending a representative from UWSP if a large group is expected. Find a helpful checklist, timeline and frequently asked questions at www.uwsp.edu/alumni/hostevent.aspx.



Washington DC

Washington D.C., September 17

Alumna Melissa Cichantek, '06 (Chapter co-leader) arranged for a private tour of the Weiman Gallery in Washington, D.C. Alumni had the chance to see political memorabilia from all eras and parties during this unique event.





Phoenix, Arizona

UWSP Alumni Association



Phoenix, Arizona, March 29

Pointers gathered at Maryvale Baseball Park for a spring training game between the Milwaukee Brewers and the San Francisco Giants.



Portland, Oregon



Portland, Oregon, September 19

Alumni Patrick Braatz, '84 (Board of Directors, past president) and Jamie Beckland, '00 (Chapter co-leader) gathered Pointers from Portland for a wine and cheese tasting at Every Day Wine.



Naples, Florida, February 15

Alumni Director Emerita Karen Engelhard, '59 and alumni volunteer Scott Thomas, '88 gathered alumni and friends for an elegant brunch in Naples, Florida where interim Chancellor Nook spoke about current events on campus and presented the group with a video look at some of the highlights from the fall.



Naples, Florida



Student's experience in Haiti impacts her life

Ellie Zuehlsdorf, New London, a senior majoring in business administration, has taken several trips to Haiti as part of relief missions, and was in the country when the disastrous earthquake hit in January. Fortunately, she was outside of Port au Prince, but she saw firsthand the unprecedented devastation in a country ill prepared to withstand it. The experience has only strengthened her commitment to return and continue providing medical aid and community development assistance.

"It really puts into perspective that you should be doing something that you like doing," she said, once back in Stevens Point. "I'd really like to make it a part of my life plan to go back to Haiti every year and help."

"Do people care about this?" she asked. "Are they interested? I don't blame people here... why would you want to imagine such a terrible lifestyle? But I want to take the first steps toward raising funds and raising awareness here at home to help on the long road ahead to rebuilding Haiti."

Ellie is using Facebook to raise awareness of the needs at a home for orphaned boys that she visited in Port au Prince. You can find more information and join her efforts by logging into Facebook and going to www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=272567527503.

Alumnus joins soil scientists in Afghanistan

Jason Nemecek, '01, Cookeville, Tenn., joined a group of soil scientists on a trip in January 2009 to sample soils and provide assistance to the local agricultural efforts.

However, this work was being done in Afghanistan in a war zone within the Kunar and Farah Province, and the scientists wore 40 pounds of body armor and a helmet, just like U.S. military soldiers.

Nemecek, a soil scientist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service, was asked to come along with two other USDA NRCS soil scientists, Bruce Dubee of Washington D.C. and Ed Tallyn of Davis, California, in order to sample the soils of Afghanistan and teach the local nationals about soil and water conservation, soil sampling and techniques for describing a soil.

The group also hoped to promote the agricultural capacity of the country. They worked with Tony Beals, the USDA advisor in the Farah Province of Afghanistan. (Pictured above are Beals, Dubee, Nemecek and Tallyn, in their gear.)

The scientists traveled with a convoy of soldiers while doing their soil research, going to work in an up-armored Humvee or Mine Resistant Armored Personnel Carrier. They ate, slept and worked with soldiers and sailors and were treated very well, with the soldiers accommodating their equipment and soil samples.

The group found the villagers to be thrilled to see them, offering to carry their equipment and surrounding them while they worked. Local agriculture agents observed and participated in the soil samplings, and were eager to learn.

"Most of the people are good in Afghanistan," added Nemecek. "They would give you the shirt off your back."



They found that the soils had good agricultural potential but that moving beyond bare subsistence farming will require robust irrigation and crop management training programs.

"Our outreach and capacity building efforts were an overwhelming success as evident by the numerous invitations to come back," Nemecek said. "We also hope to improve crop production."


"With 75 percent of the people in Afghanistan directly employed in agriculture, promoting the development of the agriculture sector is crucial to creating opportunity and hope for the people of Afghanistan," said Nemecek. "Security operations may dominate the news from Afghanistan, but the fighting includes another very different war, a battle on ignorance and poverty, in a very dangerous region, under conditions that most of us would consider shocking.

"Winning this war so that our brave soldiers and sailors can come home will not only necessitate victory on the battlefield, but victories in developing government, health, education, business and agriculture sectors," he said.

Would Nemecek go back? "In a heartbeat," he said.



Alumnus uses conservation skills while deployed



Months into training for his job as a conservation warden for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Matthew Groppi, '08, Milwaukee, was called to serve his country in Afghanistan as a member of the Army Reserve.

Staff Sergeant Groppi used the opportunity to apply his UWSP natural resources education and knowledge of wildlife regulation enforcement to help protect Afghanistan's natural habitat and indigenous species.

Deployed with the 330th Military Police Detachment from October 2008 to August 2009, Matthew helped his unit ensure compliance of customs regulations and trained fellow soldiers about wildlife conservation and threatened and endangered species native to Afghanistan. The unit was often responsible for checking outgoing animal furs that are a popular export with tourists.

"Being that I am a recent college graduate, I wanted my role in the military to be applicable to my civilian job. I wanted my employer to benefit from my time overseas too," he said. "My time in Afghanistan gave me an international application to what I had learned in class and in the U.S."

In addition to his unit work, Matthew worked with the Wildlife Conservation Society, which was working with the Afghanistan government to establish the country's first national park, which it became in 2008. The society's director, Peter Smallwood had helped his unit identify endangered species furs that would need to be confiscated.

Matthew had the opportunity to visit the park area, which includes a lake called Band-e-Hai-bat, the village of Band-e-Amir and the giant cliffs and waterfalls that surround it. He called it the highlight of his time overseas.

"It was the most beautiful place I've ever seen. The landscape was quite striking and very beautiful," he said. "After seeing it, it was hard to stay on base knowing what was out there."

Having reviewed the conservation society's management plan for the park, Matthew found parallels to the Wisconsin DNR's own goals. So he created a presentation for a group of Afghan resource managers that outlined how parks are managed in Wisconsin, using his training at UWSP and experiences as a warden.

"Afghanistan's people are interested in the national park concept," he said. "Their country is poor and the national park could create tourism revenue down the road."



The park area is not particularly dangerous, he said, as it is in a province that holds many historical sites and people who are supportive of the presence of the military from the U.S. and other countries.

“In a general sense, my biggest contribution to protecting the environment in Afghanistan is to garner some attention to the region, its natural resources, wildlife and historic sites,” he said. “When I tell people about it, they are amazed that Afghanistan is not just desert and violence. Once people realize there is more to it than that, it humanizes the region, with its real people and real beauty. The hope is that one day the country will be stable enough for tourism to be generated from these natural resources.”

Now back from Afghanistan, Matthew continues to finish his probationary training period as a DNR warden which was put on hold during his recent deployment.



105 years young

Lela Williams Ruff remembers the UWSP of yesteryear

An interview by Pamela R. Lake

When you see a name on the buildings around campus, you use it to identify where a class is held, or where you live, or where you will meet a friend. Those names mean much more to my grandmother, Lela Williams Ruff, '22. They are the names of some of the people who taught her when she attended Normal School starting in 1918.

Gram, that's our name for her, was only 13 when she began her higher education in preparation for a teaching career. She used to tell me about having to go from the top floor of one end of Old Main, to the first floor at the other end. For a young girl from a one room school, this was a huge difference. I decided to interview her about her school experience in celebration of her 105th birthday, January 22. It's hard to believe isn't it! Gram is still pretty sharp, and her memories are clear about most of her life.

Lela Williams' most influential teacher was Mabel Mickelson. She taught at the Williams School, a one room school near Bancroft.

"Miss Mickelson was ahead of her time. She utilized techniques that are still used today," said Lela. They must have been, for both Miss Mickelson and Lela thought that she was ready for the next level of education at such a young age. They worked together, but Lela remembers writing to the superintendent of schools herself.

"It seemed difficult to get in (to Normal School), I think that I had to do more than the usual. The tuition must have been very small. We couldn't have afforded much."

School life was busy. In her first semester, she carried a full academic load under the Rural Teachers program. Her classes included agriculture, management and law, cooking, grammar, bookkeeping, sewing, manual training, spelling and penmanship and gym.

"To attend gym class, we went down the stairs at the end of the building toward Normal Avenue. We wore black outfits with black stockings for gym class. I don't think they were wool though."

It was a fine start, but 1918 was the year of the Black Influenza. At the term break, Lela's parents had her come back home to the farm. In the spring of that year, a first wave of the Black Flu had appeared in military camps



throughout the US. It was not well noticed because of the immediate concerns of the war. The second wave of the epidemic occurred in September of 1918. It spread as men across the nation were mobilizing to join the military and the cause. As they came together, they brought the virus with them and to those they contacted. The virus killed almost 200,000 in October of 1918 alone. Parties and parades to celebrate the end of the war on Armistice Day brought another recurrence in some cities. Sadly, no precautions were taken at all before winter set in and that brought millions of infections and thousands of deaths to the entire world. People would seem fine, but die overnight and Lela's parents knew she would be safer at home.

"It was frightening," explains Gram. "We would hear that someone was ill, and suddenly, that whole family would be gone. Everyone was worried."

Lela returned to school in the fall of 1919. At this time expressions like "The bees knees" - "Funnier than a peck of monkeys" - "And how" as well as "Horsefeathers" and "Attaboy" were in vogue. She lived with Mrs. Oberst, a widow and her sons Clarence and Bob.

"Their house was west of Old Main, in the area of Phillips St and College St. They had beautiful flower gardens. I had a room to myself for the first year. The next year Albertina Benson, a raw boned Swede, moved into the Obrest home and shared a room and bed with me. Mrs. Obrest liked Albertina very much. I lived there because we could not afford Nelson Hall. I attended the Baptist Church with Mrs. Obrest and sang in the church choir for a bit. They had running water and electricity."

"My teachers were Mae Roach and Bare Bones Hannah who were teachers assistants. I'm not certain what Hannah's last name was and we didn't mean anything bad by calling her Bare Bones. Mr. Neale, who was head of the Rural Program. Steiner....oh, and Delzell. He was a Irish, snappy kind of guy. He was on the spot where ever anything was going on. He was busy and involved and was often asked about many things because he was 'in the know'. Fred Schmeekle taught me something or another. Each teacher had a certain quality of their own. Much of the curriculum was focused within the rural department, and I had the same teachers for several classes."

There seemed to be a disparity between students in the rural program and other students.

"Edmond Scribner was up in the class where they were working on their degree. It gave a touch of class to himself because degrees were looked upon with favor compared to rural teachers. They were not necessarily wealthy, but gained prestige."

Lela spent most of her weekends at school. Some of her free time was taken up with a job at Reton's Jewelry Store. There she kept the showcases clean and polished and arranged the displays to please the eye. She worked there for quite awhile. "I'm not certain why I left, but money was awfully tight for everyone, and that was the Reton's family business."

Lela's extracurricular activities were varied. She is a tiny woman so when she told me that she had played basketball at school, I was astonished. "Wow Gram! Really? How long did your basketball career last?" I asked. "Well" she replied with a little grin, "probably overnight." She went on to share these memories.

"In my first year, Mr. Neale, who was the head of the Rural Department, came to me and said 'Lela, I need to speak with you.' We went to his office where he presented the idea of me being leading lady for the play. Why, I said 'Oh no! There are so many good looking girls, and I am not in that class!' Mr. Neale said 'The funny thing is, I didn't ask anyone else, we want you.' I suggested some other people, but he said 'We need who we picked.' and that was the end of it. The name of the play was Country School Life or "something" Life. The next year Albertina Benson had the lead."

"I was kind of willowy and there came a time during my senior year that someone needed entertaining. She sat there in all of her finery and watched. I ended up doing a dance with two others. We had veils on our arms and flipped them and twirled ourselves around. It really wasn't my cup of tea. I was a practical girl. But I did love to dance. I participated in a dance and as we went along, couples were eliminated until there were three. The judges watched our steps carefully and my partner and I won."

"Everyone had their pride, we didn't want to be sprinkled around and wear such ridiculous things. My Mother made my clothes and they were beautifully made. She would use newspaper to make a pattern to duplicate clothing that I had seen. Other kids liked my clothes very much. My dresses were mid-calf length and I had my hair bobbed to about jaw line level. We wore stockings that were knitted, light weight ones were made of nyle. My clothes were scrubbed on a washboard and I used Palmolive bar soap to keep myself and hair clean. Shampoo was something that fancy folk could afford."

There was one time that Lela felt that she wasn't a practical girl.

"It was my second year because I wouldn't have been bold enough to do this my first year. For lunch everyday, I would go to the grocery store and charge a candy bar. I never thought about how high the bill was accumulating until, at the end of two terms, I owed \$8.95. My parents never said a word, but I felt guilty for being such a girl gone wrong. I was taught to do the best with what I had and I didn't live up to that." From what I know of my Gram, that lesson was never forgotten and served her well throughout her life.

Lela graduated with a Rural Teacher's Certificate class A on June 8, 1922. Her first school was near Almond, named Country School of Eau Plaine and her salary was \$85 a month. She valued her education and utilized it well. She returned to Teachers College (UWSP) in the late 1940's to achieve her Bachelor of Arts degree and resumed teaching around that time. She has passed her love of learning and the value that she sees in education to her family as well as the many children that she taught; and that is a legacy to be viewed with pride. But Gram would probably say "Pride goeth before a fall."

Author's note,

Lela Williams Ruff currently resides in assisted living. She is a friend and mentor to many who keep in contact with her by letter or visits. Lela prepares and performs weekly reading sessions for the "kids". These "kids" live next door in an old folks home and are in their eighties and nineties.

My sincere thanks to Bob Tomlinson, Vice Chancellor, UWSP, who gave me the opportunity to share this wonderful story of (I think) UWSP's oldest living alumna, and for making my Gram feel special on her birthday.

Alumni memories bring Nelson Hall's past to life

If one listens carefully, you can still hear nearly 100 years of memories rebounding through the corridors and rooms of UWSP's Nelson Hall, one of the first and oldest residence halls in the UW System.

In the spring of 2009, members of UWSP's Historic Preservation Committee, asked former residents to share their memories and photos with the campus and alumni communities. In this issue of the *Alumnus*, we highlight some of those fond and funny memories:

Viola "Toby" Watson, '41, Quechee, Vt., who lived at Nelson Hall from 1938 to 1941, recalls an era when female residents of Nelson Hall cooked for themselves, washed their clothes in basement laundry tubs and were expected to be in their rooms by 10 p.m.

"Many of us could not afford to eat out so we did

our cooking and kept our food supplies in the Nelson Hall kitchen," Watson says. "Everyone cooperated and had fun. We were able to unload our troubles and our successes around the tables. In fall we often walked to the Farmers Market and picked up vegetables and especially cantaloupes."

Leota (Brandt) Stapel, '41, Wausau, lived in Nelson from 1937 to 1941 and recalls, "My roommate and I owned a standing old fashioned metal container which housed a few dishes and silverware, a pot and a frying pan, and a few staple foods. It was placed on a counter in the kitchen. We had a metal bread box in the walk-in refrigerator for perishable foods. Those of us cooking took turns at cleaning the kitchen at 9 p.m.

"We signed out if we left in the evening, and if we hadn't signed in by 10 or 10:30 p.m., Mrs. Finch, the housemother, met us at the door, put her arm around us, and inhaling to catch a whiff of our breath, would ask, 'Did you have a good time?' Of course, men were not allowed to proceed beyond the lobby."

Naomi (Barthels) Bergmann, '47, Anaheim, Calif., who lived in Nelson Hall from 1944 to 1947, fondly remembers "the screened porch with its occasional squirrels, and the tennis court adjoining our wing of the dormitory. "

Women had just moved back into the residence hall in 1944 after the military had vacated the premises. During WWII the 97th College Training Detachment, Navy Air Corps trainees were given the equivalent of a four-year college curriculum in 14 months to prepare them for combat and other duties, Bergmann recalls.

"After they graduated, some of the men would come back to visit the girls and play croquet on the front lawn. Others were shipped overseas a month or two later.

"During the summer sessions residents created their own entertainment such as talent shows, charades, bridge games and dancing to the juke box music," Bergmann continues. "For one game a white sheet was placed vertically and a light was placed behind the sheet. A group would go behind the sheet and pretend they were doing something. The rest of us in front of the sheet had to guess what they were doing.





"During the regular school year, we had homecoming events, Christmas dinners with formals, mother and daughter banquets and other events. The fireside gatherings, the living room, the piano and the downstairs recreation room were favorites."

In 1944 Doris (Ockerlander) See, '48, Wausau, moved into the same room on the third floor that her sister, Carol (Ockerlander) Reed '44, Port Saint Lucie, Fla., had occupied. See recalls that lights were out by 10 p.m. and if a man arrived on the premises, the girls were warned to take cover with "man on third" broadcast loudly over the intercom.

"Meals were served at Nelson Hall and a number of student residents wearing blue and white checked uniforms were waitresses," See says. "In 1946 Jeanette See became a freshman resident and was my little sorority sister. Seven years later, she became my sister-in-law, when her big brother, Bob, and I were married." While on campus, Jeanette worked for President William C. Hansen and long-time business director, Carolyn Rolfson Sargis.



Life-long friends Diane (Darling) Mortensen, '60, Champaign, Ill., and Emmy (Millard) Hein, '60, Cedarburg, shared a room from 1956 to 1958 and have stayed in touch since their graduation in 1960. During that era, a booklet entitled "Women's Residence Hall" was published and handed out to residents. It contained all the restrictive rules, regulations and penalties for not complying. The cafeteria was in the basement of Nelson and male students from Delzell Hall joined the women for meals. "We had to wear skirts or dresses to meals and to classes except on Saturdays," she recalls.

Marty Boerst, '61, Manitowoc, was one of the men who joined the female students for meals and also practiced at Nelson Hall with the Men's Glee Club under the leadership of Professor Norman Knutson.

Don Danielson, '59, Baldwin, who was hired to do "handy man" chores at Nelson during the 50s, would yell "Grab your drawers and close your doors, Don's coming," to alert the female residents that he was approaching.

Larry Dobbs, '65 Evansville, who lived in a first-floor room in 1961 when Nelson was a men's dorm, has confessed to causing minor damage when he cut a hole in the screen so his pet squirrel could come in and sit on his desk while Dobbs studied. He reports that his first semester cost \$495 including tuition, books, room and board.



Anita (Torkelson) Roland, '67, Ashwaubenon, who lived in the dormitory from 1964 to 1967, says "Men had no hours, but if women were late even a minute, you were campused (confined to your room) for a night or more depending how late you were." She had a room on the second floor with windows to the roof of the front porch, used by many of the residents as a sun tanning area.

Roland was required to get special permission for her family, including her dad and three younger brothers, to visit her room, where the door was to remain open and "man on floor" was shouted to alert the other residents. Apparently there was a lot of shouting in Nelson Hall during past decades. "When using the rest room one always had to shout, "FLUSH," so that people in the showers wouldn't get scalded," Roland remembers.

Nelson Hall was a family affair for Cathy (Clark) Spatz, '65, Racine, who lived there from 1960-65 and served as president of the hall, as did her mother, the late Margaret Torkelson Clark, '42, in 1938 and her sister, Johanna (Clark) Rosby, '62, Wautoma, in 1962.

During her tenure, Spatz became a member of Omega Mu Chi, a sorority which originated in Nelson Hall in 1926 when six girls organized and called themselves the OMCs or Old Maids Club. The sorority was recognized as Omega Mu Chi in 1927 and became the Delta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi in 1964.

Ken Machtan, '80, Mc Farland, served as president of the coed facility during the 1979-80 school year. "I was happy to learn Nelson Hall is now on the National Register of Historic Places," Machtan writes. "I previously chaired the Public Policy Committee of the Wisconsin Trust for Historic Preservation and it always concerned me that many of the threatened structures on the annual 10 most endangered buildings list were UW facilities."

Steve Carpenter, '80, Mequon, recalls when Nelson was a co-ed upper class dormitory in the late 70s. He says the director was nicknamed "Ducky," and the fire escape was a popular meeting spot for talking and jumping into snow banks.

"Some guys on the second floor, whom we called "The Wild Suckers," built their own weight room in an unused closet. We liked to sit on the porch swing or on the porch roof by crawling out our windows and we always had our doors open so people could stop in."

"What made this dorm superior to other dorms I lived in or have seen over the years was its sense of community. It was restricted to upper class coed students, it had bigger rooms with taller ceilings and activities were set up specifically for the residents," Carpenter says.

"Alumni responses have helped the HPC bring to life the colorful past of a building we hold near to our hearts," says Professor Nisha Fernando, HPC chair and associate dean of UWSP's Division of Interior Architecture. "We would love to hear from more of you."

Please send your responses and/or copies of photographs or other memorabilia to Nisha Fernando, HPC, Room 330 CPS, UWSP, Stevens Point WI 54481. She also may be reached at nfernand@uwsp.edu or 715-346-4074

Written by Sally Clanton, member of the Historical Preservation Committee



Cornerstone Press book features alumnus' memories of Wisconsin

A collection of essays about Wisconsin written by a Stevens Point native and alumnus of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP) has been published by Cornerstone Press, a student-run publisher at UWSP.

In "Wisconsin River of Grace," Kyle White, last attended, '91, writes humorous stories about his experiences in Wisconsin, including Aldo Leopold's warning, ghosts, kielbasa, blow guns, flying whitetails, Abraham Lincoln and the Wisconsin-Illinois Truce of 2007 and other memories.

"Wisconsin River of Grace is about the mysterious pull of God's country—Wisconsin," said White. "It's about the way we want a place to belong or, more accurately, the way we belong to places. And it's about how those places shape us."

"Wisconsin River of Grace" is \$12.95 and is available at the University Store, Book World and Book Finders in Stevens Point, Lighthouse Books, Cravings Coffee Company and From the Ground Up in Wisconsin Rapids, Beacon Bookshelf in Mosinee, Janke Book Store, Barnes and Noble, and 5 Loaves and Two Fishes in Wausau, and Books and Beans in Portage. It may also be purchased online at www.uwsp.edu/english/cornerstone.

White previously published "Pordnorski: (and that's about it)," a collection of cartoons, through Cornerstone Press while attending UWSP in 1988. He now resides in Sycamore, Ill., with his wife and two children. He is the founder of Neighbor's House, a non-profit organization that offers literacy enrichment and academic help for low-income students.

Cornerstone Press is a student-run publishing company, made up of English Professor Dan Dieterich's Editing and Publishing class. Offered each fall, the course gives students hands-on experience in the publishing field. The students work as a team to select and edit one to three manuscripts as well as print and sell the chosen books, with profits supporting future Cornerstone Press publications.



Trivia 41: The Dark Side of the Contest, April 16-18

Everyone has a dark side, even the World's Largest Trivia Contest.

Trivia 41: The Dark Side of the Contest, will begin its broadcast at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 16, and continue until midnight on Sunday, April 18, sending 54 hours of trivia through the airwaves and online streaming audio to players in Stevens Point and across the world.

Teams may register in person at the WWSP 90FM studios the week of April 11, Monday through Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. or on Friday from noon to 6 p.m. Registration is \$30 per team. Trivia merchandise will also be available at the studios at that time. Teams may also participate in the Trivia parade through campus on Friday at 4 p.m.

You may also register through an online form. For more information about playing online and Trivia, visit <http://90fmtrivia.org>.

The annual contest will again feature eight questions per hour, with teams having the length of two songs to call in with their answers. Team standings will be read twice during the weekend. All teams that respond correctly are given an equal share of the 2000 points that a question is worth, with a minimum of 5 points and a maximum of 500 points. The contest also features music snippet questions, running questions, the Trivia Stone hunt and pictures to identify in The New Trivia Times.

A Stevens Point institution, Trivia began in 1969 when 16 teams wrote questions for each other to answer. In 1970 the event was broadcast on 90FM and met with great public support. Today, the contest has grown to include nearly 500 teams responding to more than 450 questions over the course of the weekend. It has even been recognized by Chase's Calendar as the largest of its kind in the world. It draws people to Central Wisconsin from as far away as Europe and has attracted the attention of USA Today, the Chicago Tribune, and the quiz show Jeopardy.



Six named as UWSP Chancellor finalists

UW System President Kevin P. Reilly announced six finalists for the position of chancellor at UWSP.

A 19-member search and screen committee, chaired by Professor Neil Heywood from the UWSP Geography and Geology department, recommended the slate of finalists to Reilly and a special committee of the UW System Board of Regents chaired by Regent Judy Crain.

Finalists include:

Anantha S. Babbili, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Steven Daley-Laursen, Senior Executive to the President at University of Idaho

Beverly Karplus Hartline, Associate Provost for Research and Dean of Graduate Studies at University of the District of Columbia

Mark A. Nook, Interim Chancellor at UWSP

Bernie L. Patterson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Oklahoma City University

Jack Thomas, Provost and Academic Vice President at Western Illinois University

The six candidates are participating in a series of public forums between March 29 and April 16, offering opportunities for faculty, staff, students, and community members to interact directly with the finalists. The campus search and screen committee will announce a schedule for those forums.

Reilly and the special Regent committee will interview the finalists later in April. Along with Regent Crain, committee members include Regent Mark Bradley of Wausau, Regent Eileen Connolly-Keesler of Neenah, and Regent José Vásquez of Milwaukee. They will recommend one candidate to the full Board of Regents, which must approve the appointment.

The person selected through this process will succeed Chancellor Linda Hunt Bunnell, who stepped down in May 2009. UW-Stevens Point Provost Mark Nook is serving as Interim Chancellor.

For more information about the six candidates, the public forums, and the search process, see www.uwsp.edu/equity/cssc/.

Suite style hall beginning to take shape on campus



The new suite-style residence hall is under construction (top and right)

Former residents of Hyer Hall gathered in the hall lobby before the hall was demolished to make way for the new suite-style residence. (below)



Faculty news briefs

College of Fine Arts and Communication

Tyler Marchant, '95, Stevens Point, an assistant professor of theatre, is directing "Freud's Last Session" during the last few weeks of June at the Barrington Stage Company in Pittsfield, Mass. He will continue to direct when the production moves to New York for an Off-Broadway run at the Marjorie S. Deane Little Theatre on 63rd Street in mid-July.

Stacey Berk, assistant professor of oboe and music theory, won the Western Illinois University School of Music 2010 Alumni Award. She is a principal oboist with the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra and an oboist with Trio Canna, a UWSP faculty reed trio.

College of Letters and Science

Dona Warren, associate professor of philosophy, received the 2009 Regents Teaching Excellence Award. She was nominated for the \$5,000 award by colleagues in philosophy and chosen from a group of select nominees by a special UW Regent committee. She has won UWSP's Excellence in Teaching Award and has been nominated twice for the award.

Michael Zach, '97, assistant professor of chemistry and a guest faculty researcher at Argonne National Laboratory in Illinois, received a prestigious National Science Foundation Career Award for his work with nanowires. He won a \$401,442 NSF grant which is being augmented by \$38,000 from UWSP and a matching \$165,672 WiSys grant over the first three years. He and his students are researching the development of a new paradigm for nanomanufacturing called electroplate and lift lithography to make patterned nanowires. He has taught at UWSP since 2006.

Nathan Bowling, assistant professor of chemistry, received a prestigious \$50,000, two-year competitive grant from the American Chemistry Society in Washington, D.C. to research organic synthetics with seven of his undergraduate students. The research creates molecules from petroleum-derived chemicals that may someday be incorporated into solar cell technologies. He has taught at UWSP since 2006.

Jim Brummer, chair of the chemistry department, along with faculty members Robert Badger, John Droske and Nate Bowling, received a \$255,000 NSF grant to purchase a Bruker 400 MHz Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectrometer to identify the molecules created in chemistry laboratories. Once installed, the spectrometer will be used for current research projects including targeting molecules for development of solar cells, bone adhesives, therapeutic drugs and a number of nanotechnology applications.

Jim Lawrence, assistant professor of chemistry, along with chemistry faculty members John Droske and Nate Bowling, as well as Don Guay of paper science and engineering, were awarded a \$469,942 NSF grant to acquire a High Resolution QTOF Mass Spectrometer, which has the ability to identify unknown molecules

existing at extremely low abundances. The instrument will be used for faculty guided research projects as well as undergraduate teaching laboratories. **To learn more about the Chemistry Department's ongoing research, visit www.uwsp.edu/chemistry.**

Devinder Sandhu, assistant professor of biology, was a co-author of the article "Genome sequence of the paleopolyploid soybean" in the scientific journal, *Nature*. This study, done with UWSP undergraduate students, will help create improved soybean varieties. He has taught at UWSP since 2005.

College of Natural Resources

Mike Hansen, '79, Stevens Point, a CNR professor of fisheries and water resources, serves as chairman for the Great Lakes Fisher Commission (membership is a presidential appointment). Mike testified before Congress at a Feb. 9 hearing that addressed the Asian Carp problem and the species' potential for damage to the Great Lakes. This link features his five-minute testimony beginning at 59:09 - <http://transportation.edgeboss.net/wmedia/transportation/20100209wr.wvx>. The hearing was covered by major regional and national media, including the Detroit News, Michigan Fishing Report, Courthouse News, USA Today, Hanover PA Evening Sun, Minnesota Post, Journal Gazette Times Courier (Mahoon, Ill.), WLNC Channel 6 (Lansing, Mich.), Press Republican, Macomb Daily, Market Place Magazine and the Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel. Mike is perennially among UWSP's top faculty researchers and is often sought for his knowledge of fish, especially those in the Great Lakes.

Jeremy Solin, '97, director of the LEAF K-12 (Learning Experiences & Activities in Forestry) education program, received the W.D. Hagenstein Communicator Award at the Society of American Foresters' (SAF) National Convention in Orlando, Fla. The honor is one of six national awards given annually by the world's largest scientific and educational forestry organization. Solin has been deeply involved in both public and community education issues pertaining to forestry education and the growth and purchase of local foods. Previously he received the 2008 Spirit of Community Service Award and the College of Natural Resources Outreach Award.

Christine Thomas, MSNR '79, Plover, dean of the College of Natural Resources, was reappointed to Wisconsin's Natural Resources Board by Governor Doyle and the Wisconsin Senate for a second six-year term. Thomas is also on a committee 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 ten most influential conservationists in Wisconsin in the 20th century. She has worked at UWSP since 1980 and has been dean since 2005.

Student News Briefs

Ryanna Christianson, Matt Korpala, Amy Kucksdorf, Tony Knapton and Julie Sittler had work accepted into the 2009 SIGGRAPH Space-Time poster competition. Christianson won first place for her poster and had her work exhibited at the SIGGRAPH conference in New Orleans in August.

Scott Gewiss, Mosinee; **Katherine Mess**, Hamilton; and **Stephen Chastain**, Markesan, took part in prestigious spring semester-long internships in Germany as part of a pioneer program in paper science and engineering. They are working in paper mills in Germany through UWSP's Trans-Atlantic Paper Science and Engineering Dual Degree program with partnering universities in the U.S., Germany and Finland.

Graphic design students **Heather Nennig, Amanda Wauters, and Kristina McKinney** won a silver ADDY for their ART 398: LRC wayfinding project completed last fall.

Jenna Shelerud, Duluth, Minn., a communication and business administration major, won a \$1,000 scholarship from the Public Relations Society of America professional chapter. She is the third UWSP student to win this scholarship in the last five years. Jenna is an honors intern for the Division of Communication, the university centers and student affairs office. She has also interned at Target Corporation. Jenna is an active member of the UWSP PRSSA chapter, a non profit volunteer and captain of the UWSP Swim and Dive team.

Blong Khang, Jill Roberts and Annette Mumford had work accepted into the 24th Annual Brass Ring Design Awards hosted by Oklahoma Christian University to reward the best student design in the country. They will be honored on April 3.

Kayla Cerar, a audiology doctorate student, won the Starkey Outstanding Student Clinician Award from Starkey Laboratories, Inc. She is a student member of the American Academy of Audiology, National Hearing Conservation Association and National Student Speech Language Hearing Association. She volunteers with the United Migrant Opportunity Services and for the Wisconsin Speech and Hearing Association convention.

Alumni giving makes an impact



You may be aware that U.S. News & World Report evaluates alumni satisfaction each year. The magazine does that by examining the number of alumni giving charitable gifts to the institution. Not the amount of giving...the number of individuals who have undergraduate degrees and who give.

This "participation rate" is used to attract new students to campus and in that sense is important to us. Even a \$10 gift makes an impact!

Our alumni participation rate is below the national average. That's why the UWSP Foundation has committed to "10% in 2010" - increasing the participation rate by ten percent this year. Thanks to our phonathon campaign and other efforts, we're well on our way to reaching that goal.

When you give to the UWSP Foundation and support UW-Stevens Point, you are adding to our alumni participation numbers. When you add to those numbers, our rankings improve. When our rankings improve, the value of your degree increases. It's as simple as that.

Won't you give now? www.uwsp.edu/foundation

Phi Sig alumni give scholarship

The Phi Sig Alumni Association has awarded its first scholarship, named in honor of Phi Sig alumnus Jeff Zabel and his late wife, Julie, for years of service to the fraternity.

Ben Owen, a UWSP senior and president of the Phi Sig chapter at UWSP, received the \$250 Zabel Scholarship from the UWSP Phi Sig Scholarship Fund due to his excellence in academics as well as his philanthropic activities and dedication to the fraternity, says Phi Sig Alumni President Doug Legro, '89, Bonduel. The scholarship will be awarded annually.

Jeff Zabel, '69, Stevens Point, was a member of Phi Sig while in school then was the fraternity's advisor for many years while working at Sentry Insurance. He is still an active member of the Phi Sig Alumni Board. Julie (Doubek) Zabel, '72, passed away in 2008.



Mentor program helps students define goals

A group of central Wisconsin's professional and business women has launched a mentor program matching students with "mentors" who can help clarify direction, develop focused goals and make the student transition to the post academic world an easier one. Led by UWSP Foundation Board member and alumna **Lela Jahn**, '62, and developed by fellow board member **Judi Carlson**, '62, as well as **Patty Noel**, '70, and Patti Cahill, this pilot program runs through August and begins again in an expanded form in September.

Hansen Society invited to Homecoming event

The William C. Hansen Society coffee is held each year on the Sunday of Homecoming weekend. The event honors and thanks members of the Hansen Society - individuals who have made a commitment to UWSP's future through an estate provision or life income gift. This year's Hansen Society coffee will be held on Sunday, October 10.



William C. Hansen was the first alumnus of Stevens Point Normal School to serve as president of his alma mater, which had become known as Central State Teachers College. For 22 years he worked to improve the quality of education across the state. He was the longest tenured president in the history of the school, presiding over the change from a teachers college to a state college

in 1951. Invitations will be mailed in early September to members of the Hansen Society. Not a member yet? Contact Kathy Buenger, director of university development, at 715-346-3768 or kbuenger@uwsp.edu. She'll make sure you get your invitation to this special event.

Quandt Gym renovated



The spotlight was on Pointer basketball program in fall, 2009, as renovations to the Quandt Gym lobby, gym floor updates (including the naming of Bennett Court) and program enhancements were funded as the result of a recent campaign. The lobby display features the men's basketball two NCAA Division III national championship trophies, and room will soon be made for the 2010 national championship trophy. Nearly 100 donors participated in the project, and an initial goal of \$100,000 was surpassed by almost \$40,000.

UWSP Athletics



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Be sure to stay up-to-date with everything Pointer sports at athletics.uwsp.edu. There you'll find coverage of all our teams along with special features including full recaps of all events, photo galleries, videos and more! With only a few short months remaining in the 2009-10 academic year, we can already look back at what has happened in UWSP athletics and say "What a Great Year!"

Just in the winter season we had a national champion men's basketball team, a national championship distance medley relay team, a national runner-up team finish at the indoor track & field championships and individual honors too numerous to mention.

Oh, what a year it has been...so far!!! Here's a brief look at what the Pointers have accomplished this winter.

Men's Basketball

The Pointer men's basketball team brought home their third national championship in the past seven years, defeating Williams College 78-73 for the title in Salem, Va. In doing so, the Pointers became just the third team in NCAA Division III history to win more than two national titles.

After defeating UW-Whitewater on the road to win the program's sixth Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Tournament title, the Pointers rattled off four straight wins at Quadt Fieldhouse to earn the trip to Salem.

In the national semifinal, the Pointers jumped out to a 22 point lead on Randolph Macon as the team cruised to the championship game. Against Williams, with the national title on the line, the Pointers overcame a 10 point deficit with 11 minutes remaining to capture the title.

Head coach Bob Semling was named the National Coach of the Year for leading the team to a national title while senior guard Matt Moses was named the Final Four's Most Outstanding Player. The 29



victories this season also matches a school record, set by both the 2004 and 2005 championship teams.

Videos of the team's journey to the Final Four can be found at www.uwsp.edu.

Women's Basketball

On the women's side, the Pointers also needed a road victory at UW-Whitewater to secure a conference tournament title, their third straight, and earn an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

Once there, the Pointers took full advantage, getting one game away from the Final Four. The Pointers defeated host Illinois Wesleyan in the round of 16 before falling to national runner-up Hope College in the Elite Eight.

Near the end of the season came word that head coach Shirley Egner will be inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Hall of Fame this fall. Coach Egner reached the 500 career win mark during the 2009-10 season while her career record at UWSP improved to 382-175.

Men's Hockey

The Pointer men's hockey team battled its way to a 12-15-1 overall record and made some noise in the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association (NCHA) playoffs, coming back from a game down in their opening round series with UW-Stout to force a mini-game, where freshman Johnny Meo scored the game-winner, advancing the Pointers to the semifinal round. In the semifinal round, the Pointers fell to eventual national runner-up St. Norbert College.

Two Pointers received all-conference honors from the NCHA while six earned All-WIAC recognition.

Women's Hockey

A season after graduating all-time leading scorer Nicole Grossman and four other seniors, the Pointers battled their way to an 13-11-3 overall record and an 8-7-3 mark in the always improving NCHA. The Pointers earned the fifth seed in the conference tournament.

In the opening round of the tournament against UW-Superior, the Pointers dropped their opening game 5-2. Facing elimination, the Pointers fell to the Yellowjackets 2-0, ending their season. Four Pointers earned All-NCHA honors for their efforts during the season.



Wrestling

The Pointer wrestling team hosted the 2010 WIAC Tournament and battled their way to a third place finish. Junior Ben Engelland, who finished as runner-up his first two seasons at the 184 pound weight class, broke through and captured the league championship.

Ben went on to finish fourth in the national tournament, earning All-American status for the second consecutive season. He and three others represented the Pointers at the 2010 national tournament in Cedar Rapids, where the Pointers finished 28th.

Men and Women's Swimming and Diving



The Pointer swimming and diving teams both captured conference titles, as the women earned their third in program history while the men earned their 11th consecutive title and 14th in program history. The Pointers earned 10 event championships over the three day event on their way to dual championships.

At the national championships, the Pointer women swam their way to a 13th place finish while the men finished 24th. Two Pointer women earned All-American status along with four relay teams while three men's relay teams achieved the status and one individual.

Men's Track

Also this spring, the Pointer men's indoor track and field team ran their way to a runner-up finish at the 2010 indoor championships in Greencastle, Ind. The distance medley relay team captured the national title, as the quartet needed a dramatic comeback in the final leg of the race by Phil Richert to secure the national title.

Richert made up almost a half-track deficit during his final two laps to edge Trinity University (Texas) by just 0.7 seconds. Four other Pointer individuals placed at the national meet, earning all-American status.

Women's Track

On the women's side, the Pointers posted two top-five finishes including Claire Roberts in the one mile run and the 4x400 meter relay team. As a team, the Pointers finished tied for 27th.

CLASSNOTES SPRING 2010

2000s

Karen Chamberlin, '09, South Bend, Ind., is pursuing a Ph.D. in physics at the University of Notre Dame.

Sarah Davis, '09, Colgate, will be married to Christopher Andrews in July 2010, with receptions in Milwaukee and Sunderland, England.

Britta Binek, '08, Verndale, Minn., a first year physician assistant student at UW-LaCrosse, won a National Health Service Corps (NHSC) scholarship for which in return she will work at a NHSC site in an area where there is a shortage of health professionals. She also won a Rotary Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship to study French at the Institute for Language and Communication Skills in Rabat, Morocco, for three months this summer.

Lee Meyer, '08, formerly of Mankato, Minn., is an athletic trainer with the New York Yankees baseball organization. He joined the Staten Island Yankees, a minor league affiliate, for spring training in February, and will stay with the team for the regular season. He completed graduate studies at Minnesota State University in Mankato, Minn.

Xixi (Meng) Olson, '08, Madison, is a marketing representative for the Wisconsin English Second Language Institute in Madison and is married to **David Olson**, '07, Madison. She says that she considers UWSP her hometown in the U.S. as that is where she met her true love and had their wedding pictures taken.

Andrew Roth, '08, Rockledge, Fla., is a sector manager for Overland Missions, a group that provides support for missionaries in rural and isolated areas of Africa, Central and South America and Southeast Asia. Andrew works with his wife, Amethyst, in managing work in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Pheng Xiong, '08, Eau Claire, earned a master's degree in higher education administration from UW-Milwaukee in December.

Lee Kluck, '07, Rosholt, is completing a master's degree in American history at UW-Eau Claire and is doing great after having double bypass surgery following a heart attack in the spring of 2009.

Gina (Patovisti) Roeland, '07, and **Steve Roeland**, '07, Greenfield, were married in July. Gina earned a master's degree in psychology at UW-Milwaukee and works for the Mental Health Association of Waukesha County and Steve is a merchandise writer for Kohl's Department Stores Corporate Headquarters in Menomonee Falls. "So many memories and amazing people!" writes Gina of her experiences at UWSP.

Rebecca Brink, '06, Necedah, won a \$4,812 fellowship to attend a conference in Vienna on math education as well as travel to Athens and Samos to study historical sites of ancient mathematicians. She will make the trip in July, while on summer break from her teaching job at Necedah High School.

Amber (Smith) Jungwirth, '06, and **Chris Jungwirth**, '07, Chisholm, Minn., are proud to announce the birth of their son, Trenton Christopher, in July.

Katie Gillespie, '05, and **Josh Goller**, '03, Corvallis, Ore., will be married September 12 in Milwaukee.

Becky Brey, '04, Menomonee Falls, received a \$3,000 Mead Witter Foundation Scholarship for the Medical College of Wisconsin. Becky is a fourth year medical student with a master's degree in clinical biology from UW-LaCrosse. She is pursuing a career in pediatrics with a subspecialty in cardiology or infectious diseases. She hopes to practice in Wisconsin.

Susan Maris, '03, New York, N.Y., recently played Rose of Sharon in *The Grapes of Wrath* at The

Shakespeare Theatre of New Jersey. She has also performed in shows in New York City for the Toy Box Theatre (founded by three UWSP alumni) and for the Prospect Theatre Company.

Jacob Ryg, '02, Chatfield, Minn., spoke to the UWSP Student Society of Arboriculture in October. He has been the Rochester city forester for five years, launching a successful volunteer citizen forester program. He teaches classes at the Rochester Community and Technical College, speaks to groups and oversees huge tree plantings. He has a monthly call-in radio program for tree questions and has become a state-wide expert on the Emerald Ash Borer invasion.

Andrew Halverson, '01, Stevens Point, was appointed to the National and Community Service Board by Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle. The board governs the state's AmeriCorps program, which provides job training. Andrew is mayor of Stevens Point and owns Andrew's Ltd. menswear.

Matt Meade, '01, Crivitz, is a conservation warden in Marinette County. His wife, **Angela (Schmelzer) Meade**, '01, teaches 4K for the Oconto school district. They recently welcomed a son, Brayden.

Dan Schwamberger, '01, Eau Claire, UW-Eau Claire's head cross country coach and an assistant track and field coach, was named the 2009 NCAA Division III National Coach of the Year for women's cross country by U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. He received a master's degree at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa, in 2004, then coached at UW-Platteville and has been at UW-Eau Claire since 2007. His first two years there he led the women's cross country team to back-to-back WIAC titles and was named the WIAC Women's Cross Country Coach of the year. He also guided the women's team to a fifth place finish at the 2008 NCAA Championships.

1990s



Sara (Schmelzer) Loss, '04, and **Scott Loss**, '04, St. Paul, Minn., were married on August 22 in Hibbing, Minn. All members of the wedding party were UWSP alumni. Pictured, above, from top left down, is **Andy Lueck**, '04, Chicago, Ill.; **Michelle VanSchyndel**, '04, Woodhaven, N.Y.; **Jon Marin**, '04, Carbondale, Ill.; **Lesley (O'Hearn) Burri**, '04, Oshkosh; **Sara, Scott, Katie Canada**, '05, Chicago, Ill.; **Mike Klick**, '04, Custer, S.D.; **Lauren (Egan) Cisneros**, '05, Milwaukee; and **Jeremy Burri**, '03, Oshkosh.

Kate (Skroski) Heinecke, '01, and her husband, **Jeff Heinecke**, '99, Ketchum, Idaho, live near **Kathy Kristenson**, '00, Ketchum, Idaho, and were visited by **Pam (Flateau) Ihlenfeldt**, '00, Stoughton, recently. The group went skiing at the Sun Valley Resort. Pictured, above from left, is Pam, Kate, Kathy and Jeff.



2000s

1990s



Abby (Rabinovitz) Richter, '01, Stow, Ohio, helped coach the U.S. Women's Open Team to a gold medal in the 18th Maccabiah Games in Israel in August. The assistant soccer coach at Kent State University, Abby also coached the team when it won a silver medal in the games in 2004.

1990s

Michelle (Diring) Alberts, '99, Green Bay, is a choreographer and dance instructor at Barb's Centre for Dance in Green Bay. She has won several dance and choreography awards and was named Dance Teacher of the Year at Kids Artistic Revue Nationals in 2008. "My professors really pushed me to go out of the box and that's what I do with every dance piece I create," she says. She is expecting a baby in March.

Jason Kelly, '99, Wanchai, Hong Kong, is vice president of American International Underwriters (AIU) in Hong Kong. He called UWSP Cross Country /Track and Field Coach Rick Witt "the greatest sports coach I ever had."

Stephanie Grippe, '97, Boulder, Colo., is the director of the Initiative for Sustainable Development through the University of Colorado-Boulder's Real Estate Center Leeds School of Business. Stephanie holds a Ph.D. in forestry from the University of Montana and a master's degree in ecology from Utah State University.

Belinda Peterman, '97, MSSE '02, Wautoma, earned the 2010 National Migrant Teacher of the Year Award. She will receive the award in California in April.

Marsha Barwick, '96, Marshfield, has been named to BioForward's executive committee. She is assistant director of Marshfield Clinic Applied Sciences, managing operations and business marketing related to food safety and biotechnology / information technology. Previously she worked for the clinic's corporate communications office.

Daniel Buttery, '94, Milwaukee, is president and founder of HVT Marketing, a firm in Milwaukee which has handled several promotions for the Milwaukee Public Museum, including the current exhibition of the Dead Sea Scrolls on display through June 6.

Adriane Fang, '94, came to UWSP in November to work with UWSP dance students in a week of master classes. She has a master's degree in dance from George Mason University and was a member of Doug Varone and Dancers for many years, receiving the 2007 New York Dance and Performance Award.

Patrick May, '94, Sturgeon Bay, is a firefighter for the Sturgeon Bay Fire Department. He writes of his UWSP experience, "Wonderful... awesome campus and faculty, truly the best years of my life!"

Ann (Turk) Coakley, '93, Madison, is the Waste and Materials Management Bureau director for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Previously she was a WDNR Northern Region supervisor, an environmental coordinator for the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and a hydrogeologist and manager of a northern Wisconsin private consultant firm.

Keith Koszarek, '93, Wausau, is a senior manager for Wipfli LLP in Wausau, an accounting and business consulting firm. He volunteers as a counselor for local businesses and serves on the Executive Board of Directors for Junior Achievement as its treasurer.

Annemarie (Nordhaus) Birschbach, '92, Oshkosh, is a private piano instructor who leads songs and accompanies at church. She recently took up running. She and her husband, Jeremy, have two daughters. She says, "UWSP was a fantastic place to learn about my life's work and meet lifelong friends."

Jodi (Olson) Rueth, '92, Neillsville, will receive her master's degree in educational professional development in May from UW-River Falls. She has been an elementary music teacher in Neillsville for four years and her husband, **Tim Rueth**, '90, is in his ninth year as principal of the Neillsville elementary and middle school. Jodi and Tim have three children.

David Spiering, '92, Bowling Green, Ohio, has had his poetry collection, *My Father's Gloves*, selected as the newest addition to the Sol Books Upper Midwest Writers Series. The collection speaks to David's relationship with his father and is now available through Sol Books, www.solbooks.com. David is studying creative writing at Bowling Green State University.

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Nancy Roberts, '88, Plymouth, is a business analyst for Manpower International in Milwaukee.

David Slamka, '87, and **Linda (Nimlos) Slamka**, '87, Forestville, are enjoying raising their son and daughter in Door County. David is an outfitting designer for Marinette Marine and was previously employed by Palmer Johnson Yachts for 15 years as an interior cabinet designer. Linda is a Door County teacher.

Sheila Downing, '86, Sheboygan, has passed the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) accredited professionals exam administered by the U.S. Green Building Council. She has worked as a senior plumbing designer for Somerville Inc. architect / engineers out of Green Bay for 15 years and recently designed plumbing and medical gas systems for an addition to Riverview Hospital in Wisconsin Rapids.

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Brian Gleninski, '95, Waukesha, (pictured center, above) received Ducks Unlimited's Wisconsin Conservation Partner of the Year honor in February. He has collaborated with DU on wetland projects at the Bloomfield State Wildlife Area and Big Muskego Lake Sediment and took a lead role in coordinating a \$1 million proposal to protect and restore wetlands in the Mukwonago and Fox Rivers. He also co-authored a grant proposal to restore the Vernon Marsh State Wildlife Area. Brian is a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources wildlife biologist for Walworth and Waukesha counties.

Travis Livieri, '93, MS-NRS '07, Wellington, Colo., (pictured with a black-footed friend, above) received the U.S. Forest Service's Region 2 Regional Partner of the Year Honor Award for his work on the reintroduction of the threatened and endangered black-footed ferrets to the Conata Basin. His work has also been recognized through interviews with National Geographic, PBS and state and local media. Travis founded and is the executive director of the Prairie Wildlife Research organization, which preserves prairie species.



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Shelley (Brunskill) Shumway, '91, Simi Valley, Calif., shared a photo of a reunion of roommates from Knutson Hall and "Trump Towers" on Main Street who gathered in Elkhart Lake last year. Pictured are, left to right, **Shelley Shumway, Michelle (Sampson) Zimmerman, '92, Stevens Point;** **Sue (Wagner) Cushman, '91, Skokie, Ill.;** **Penny Demerath, '92, Newbury Park, Calif.;** **Stephanie Lococo, '92, Winneconne;** **Melissa (Hollnagel) Hoodie, '92;** and **Jolene (Purchatzke) Van Koevering, '92, Fortville, Ind.**

Valerie Gaffney, '89, Fort Atkinson, the band director at Edgerton High School, brought 80 members of her marching band to campus perform at UWSP's Homecoming in October (pictured above). The band also performed at the Homecoming football game and visited Belt's for ice cream. Valerie, who was in Point's marching band, was very excited about the opportunity to bring a marching band back into the parade. She has directed band at Edgerton for 13 years and previously in La Crosse and Marion.



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Daniel Edelstein, MSNR '85, Novato, Calif., is a consulting biologist, conducting rare plant and animal surveys for environmental consulting firms. He has led adult birding tours and presented bird-related public presentations for the last 25 years, training adults to learn bird songs by ear. His thesis, "A Program Planner for Naturalists," was transformed into a book and has sold more than 2,000 copies to rangers, teachers and museum professionals. His blog, www.warblerwatch.blogspot.com, and Web site, www.warblerwatch.com, relates information on wood warblers, which he has studied for the last 30 years.

Steve Janiszewski, '85, Sublimity, Ore., is the Cascades district manager for the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department. He and his wife enjoy numerous outdoor sports with their two dogs. He says, "UWSP gave me the confidence to succeed in life. The quality instructors, classes and all of the hands-on and practical experiences at the CNR made me who I am today."

Janet (Hotvedt) (Cismoski) Parks, '85, Westfield, Mass., teaches family and consumer science at a middle school in Connecticut and is the system-wide department chair. "My job would be impossible without the foundation that was built at UWSP and fostered by special faculty members Grace Hendel, Judie Pfiffner, Cheryl Fedje, Larry Riggs and David Chitharanjan, to name a few."

Allan Brixius, '83, Manitowoc, a science and social studies teacher at St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic School in Two Rivers, was selected as the Two Rivers Elks 2009 Teacher of the Year. Allan has taught at St. Peters for 10 years and also runs the school's science fair and geography bee. He is also a board member of the Manitowoc Family Aquatic Center.

Kevin Delorey, '83, Lake Mills, was listed in *The Best Lawyers in America 2010*. He works in real estate law for the firm Quarles and Brady in Madison, and has been included in the list for 10 years.



Susan Betcher, '82, Luray, Va., is a substance abuse specialist for the Page County school district, working to reduce alcohol abuse at the high school level. She has two college age children.

Jase (Hagedorn/Greenquist) Frederick, '82, Evanston, Ill., earned a degree in interior design in 2003 and began her own design firm this year: Jase Frederick Design: Sustainable Interiors and Consulting. She is accredited by the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) program.

Kevin Kritz, '82, Denver, Colo., is a wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Migratory Bird Management Program in the metro Denver area. He helps manage conservation efforts for bald and golden eagles, peregrine falcons and other non-game birds.

Sharon (Schroedl) van Wyk, '82, Charles Town, W. V., is chief operating officer of the American Public University System, an online university system. Previously worked for GE Financial, GE Capital and Accenture and was an adjunct professor for the University of Connecticut Business School. She holds a Ph.D. and master's degree from Florida State University.

Mark Mercier, '80, Olympia, Wash., drove to Tacoma, Wash., with his wife, Leslie, to see the Pointers play against the University of Puget Sound in November. The Pointers won the game, 70-55.



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Guy Baldassarre, MNR '78, Tully, N.Y., a distinguished teaching professor at the State University of New York College of Environmental and Forestry, was dubbed "The Waterfowl Ambassador" by Outdoor Life magazine and listed as one of 25 people who have changed the face of hunting and fishing. His research focuses on waterbird ecology and he is the author of *Waterfowl Ecology and Management*. He is currently revising *Ducks, Geese and Swans of North America*. He is married to **Eileen (Quinlan) Baldassarre**, '80.

Peter Konrath, '78, Milwaukee, will run in the Gay Games next summer in Cologne, Germany. He is a teacher in West Bend and president of the Ricardo Correa Scholarship Foundation.

Denise Shields, '78, Brookfield, completed a doctorate in leadership through Cardinal Stritch University. She is a Care Partners manager for NEAS Inc. in Waukesha, leading a team that offers employee benefits guidance and health and wellness coaching. She and her husband, Tom Kvasnicka, have a son and daughter.

Gary Worthing, '77, MAT '82, Beloit, is a research assistant and librarian for the Beloit Historical Society. He earned a master of arts in library science at UW-Madison.

Gary Zimmer, '76, MS '79, Laona, is a senior regional biologist for the Ruffed Grouse Society in the Western Great Lakes Region. Previously he worked for the U.S. Forest Service for 18 years as a wildlife technician, district wildlife biologist and wild land firefighter. He credits his advisor, Ray Anderson, for guiding him and notes that he often works with Ray's son, Scott.

1980s



Tom Charlesworth, '87, Stevens Point, a media specialist at UWSP, won a Silver Award for excellence from the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) for a night photograph of the addition to the Dreyfus University Center (pictured above). The award was presented at CASE's annual conference in December.

Theresa Wanta, '82, Stevens Point, 'flew the coupe' so to speak in September when she took the wheel of a 1947 Ercoupe from pilot Syd Cohen at the Stevens Point Municipal Airport. *Photo by Tom Ordens.*



1980s

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A group of former Sigma Tau Gamma Little Sisters got together at the Lakefront Brewery in Milwaukee, owned by Sigma Tau Gamma alumnus **Russell Klish**, last attended '79, Shorewood. Pictured above in the front row, left to right, are **Kris Munz Cuneo** '88, Healdsburg, Calif.; **Renee Michna**, last attended '82, Racine; and **Liz Doelger Landerman**, '82, Stevens Point. In the back row, left to right, are **Kathryn (Wilson) Christman**, '80, Racine; **Karen (Zimmerman) Ziebell**, '81, Brookfield; **Karen (Mark) Knoll**, '85, McFarland; **Russell Klish**, **Elena (Schilling) Bougie**, '83, Appleton; **Vicki (Smith) Lorenz**, '82 Chesapeake, Va.; and **JoAnne (Osuchowski) Evica**, '81, Stevens Point.

A group of roommates who called themselves the "Main Attraction" while living at 2301 Main Street in the 80s gathered for a reunion in Las Vegas over Halloween weekend. The group dressed as UWSP College Girls. Pictured above, from left is **Mary Krone**, '84, De Pere; **Anne Merryfield**, '84, Wausau; **Kathi Donovan**, '85, Tampa, Fla.; **Marie Wapneski**, **Karen Thiesse**, '85, Jackson, Mich.; **Sharon Hibbard**, '84, Appleton; **Lois Mischler**, '84, De Pere; **Penny Gaudet**, '84, West Bend; and **Dawn Atwell**, '85, Stillwater, Minn.



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Neil Babik, '75, Hancock, a retired soil scientist, is among those recognized for helping map one million acres of U.S. soils as part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey. **John Rawinski**, MNR '78, Monte Vista, Colo., and the late **Marvin Suhr**, '68, were also recognized.

Roxanne (Kurkowski) Baumann, '75, Pewaukee, (left) received the Harry C. Brockel Award for her efforts to promote Wisconsin international trade and service to the Milwaukee



World Trade Association. She is director of partnerships and alliances for the Wisconsin Manufacturing Extension Partnership, promoting the state's small and midsize manufacturers. She has had a lifelong career in international business and has traveled the globe while managing trade relationships for Wisconsin businesses with customers in Europe and South America.

Gary Beisser, '75, Calhoun, Ga., retired in October after 32 years as a fisheries biologist with the DNR in northwest Georgia. He received the 2009 Career Achievement Award from the Georgia chapter of the American Fisheries Society. His most recent project was lake sturgeon restoration in the Coosa River system. He is married to Nancy.

Bill Blawat, '75, Mukwonago, is a youth center supervisor for Waukesha County. He has been working with delinquent/at risk youth for the last 33 years and speaks at conferences. He says that speaking to UWSP Chancellor Lee Sherman Dreyfus as a young man and again as an older adult gave him perspective on his life.

Pete Finley, '73, King Salmon, Alaska, a pilot for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, received an In-Flight Action Award from the U.S. Department of Interior for his calm actions during a flight.

Georgette (Petrota) Jeppesen, '73, Placentia, Calif., received a master's degree from Chapman University in Orange County, Calif., in May. She received the university's 2009 Cecil B. DeMille Award for Outstanding Achievement in Film Scholarship.

Peter Swanson, '73, Camp Liberty, Iraq, is a major with the U.S. Army and is serving his second year of deployment in Iraq as a liaison officer with the Department of Defense. He was recalled to active duty in April 2005 and plans to retire from the Army for the second time in 2010 or 2011.

Bob Boerner, '72, Green Bay, retired in 2008 after teaching and coaching at Bay Port High School for 36 years. In 1997 he was recognized with the UWSP Coaching Excellence Award. He and his wife, Debby, have two daughters who attended UWSP: **Jessica (Boerner) Beualeau**, '99, and **Tara (Boerner) Jagler**, '00.

Rick Kaminski, '72, Starkville, Miss., received The Wildlife Society's Caesar Kleberg Award for Excellence in Applied Wildlife Research in September at the society's annual conference in California. He was also honored by Ducks Unlimited in August for his conservation efforts in Mississippi.

Joseph Phillips, '72, Omaha, Neb., recently retired from active service with the American Red Cross after 31 years of service. In recognition for his work with disaster victims across the country, he was presented with an appointment as an Admiral in the Great Navy of the State of Nebraska, the state's highest honor. Joe helped create a Disaster Action Team in Nebraska and has helped victims of plane crashes, earthquakes, floods, train accidents and Hurricane Katrina as well as stranded airline passengers after the 9-11 attacks.

T.J. Edwards, '71, Spooner, is active in endurance riding competitions. His Anglo/Arabian mare, JBK Tara, was the endurance champion for the North American Anglo/Arabian Horse Association and reserve champion for the Upper Midwest Endurance and Competitive Rides Association (UMECRA) and the Arabian Horse Distance Riders Association. His mule, Miss Molly Mule, placed first in limited distance rides for UMECRA, first in Distance Riders of Wisconsin and had more Best Condition Awards than any other equine in the nation. T.J. is retired from the Wisconsin DNR and owns Crystal Hills Tree Farm.

John Armbruster, '70, Green Bay, is a retired account manager for General Mills in Minneapolis, Minn. Now he volunteers for the Literary Council, the Green Bay Red Cross and a local church food pantry. He and his wife, Barbara, have a daughter, **Jennifer Armbruster Oleck**, who graduated from UWSP in 1999.

Bob Rohde, '70, Mahtomedi, Minn., address graduates at UWSP's two winter commencement ceremonies on December 19. The University of Minnesota strength coach was an All-Conference and All-District running back for the Pointers in the late 60s and has worked as a strength and conditioning coach for UWSP, UW-Oshkosh and the Minnesota Twins baseball organization. He is married to Nan.

1960s

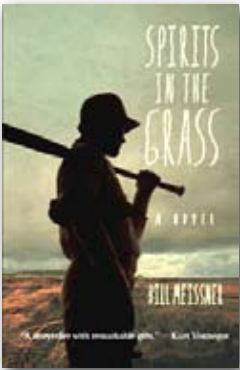
Mary Zabolio McGrath, '69, Burnsville, Minn., has co-authored *The Many Faces of Special Educators: Their Unique Talents in Working with Students with Special Needs and in Life*. This is her ninth authored or co-authored book.

Nancy (Reigel) Berhow, '68, Cannon Falls, Minn., is retired and serves as a substitute teacher. She was a first grade teacher for 37 years and is married to Duaine Berhow. Her father, **Harland Reigel**, '68, is also a retired teacher.



1970S

Jean (Trieglaff) Haka, '75, Waukesha, an airline agent, reports that a group of alumni get together on a semi-annual basis and visit various sites around the world. Here the group is pictured (above) on Trail Ridge Road in Rocky Mountain National Park, including, from left, **Jeanne (McMahon) Bettenhausen**, '76, Boulder, Colo., a freelance artist; **Pam (Ferguson) Ellingson**, '75, Lakewood, a librarian; **Jean Haka**; **Mary (Hartwig) Krueger**, '76, Madison, an accountant; **Liz (Kowall) Scherer**, '75, Chicago, Ill., a chemist; and **Judy (Fischer) Lubenow**, '75, Amherst, a dietician.



Bill Meissner, '70, St. Cloud, Minn., has published *Spirits in the Grass*, a novel about a man building a baseball field in his hometown when he finds a bone fragment on the field. Bill calls "part mystery, part romance and part search for spiritual meaning." It won the Midwest Book Award last spring and was a finalist in the ForeWard Magazine Book of the Year competition. He has won numerous other writing awards and has previously published two novels and four books of poetry.



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Janice (Marquardt) Lutz, '67, Stevens Point, and her husband, Marvin, are retired. Two of their five children graduated from UWSP: **Jonathan Lutz**, '00, Silver Lake, who teaches mathematics at Westosha High School, and **Andrew Lutz**, '04, Milwaukee, who is a news producer at Channel 58 in Milwaukee.

Michael Ferrall, '62, Mission Viejo, Calif., is the president and founder of Eldercare Training Academy, a school specializing in aging, gerontology and eldercare and is an adjunct professor of public law and policy at California State University at Fullerton. He is president of the newly formed California Government Reform Institute and has served as the director of legislative affairs for the Port of Los Angeles and chair of the Orange County Economic Development Strategy Committee. He is married to Laura.

Mary (Haugsbj) Collins, '61, Baraboo, a retired elementary teacher and principal, works part time at a local drug store. Mary married John Kuntz in 2004 and between them they have four daughters and six grandchildren. They enjoy wintering in Alabama.

Jay Thurston, '59, Viroqua, a retired teacher and principal, has written three books, *Following in the Footsteps of Ernest Hemingway* and *59 Additional Trout Fishing Stories*, the children's book *Out of the Rainbow* and *The Wild Flower: Poetry of Nature and Romance*. Jay also has written more than 300 articles on trout fishing and the outdoors and has given more than 60 presentations. To order a book or schedule a presentation, contact him at jfthurston@frontiernet.net or (608) 637-3461.

Robert Karsten, '51, Oconomowoc, is retired from teaching and 41 years as a piano tuner and winters in Florida. He and his wife, Geraldine, celebrated 60 years together last year.

Kay Pierce North, '51, Key West, Fla., is retired. She reports that her dad, Burton Pierce, taught at UWSP for 36 years and her mom was a dorm mother in Nelson Hall. She adds she could use some of Wisconsin's cool weather in the keys.

Luida Sanders, last attended '39, Oshkosh, is retired. A World War II veteran of the Women's Army Corps, she earned bachelor's and master's degrees at UW-Madison and a master's at the Berkeley (Calif.) School of Public Health.

Three alumnae who were roommates in both Hyer and Nelson Halls visited UWSP recently, and are pictured above, including, from left, **Verna (Stillman) Orlandoni**, '67, Gotha, Fla.; **Sharon (Harlik) VanArk**, '68, Oconto Falls; and **Anita (Torkelson) Roland**, '67, Ashwaubenon.



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Alumnae from Tau Gamma Beta held their annual luncheon in Stevens Point in August. Attending the event were **Lolly (Schlack) Daun**, '57, Madison; **Elaine (Eskritt) Engel**, '57, Kingwood, Texas; **Jean (Getchell) Lange**, '57, Stevens Point; **Pat (Sroda) Hanes**, '57, Baraboo; **Sue (Eskritt) Hintz**, '65, Plover; **Pat (Reading) Curry**, '58, Wisconsin Rapids; **Connie (Weber) Wade**, '57, Poynette; **Betty (Hurlbut) Kessler**, '58, Waupaca; **Goldene (Schmoker) Purcell**, '57, Stevens Point; and **Karen (Beebe) Engelhard**, '59, Stevens Point.

In Memoriam

The UWSP Alumni Association has been notified of the following deaths :

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Michael Byrd, '04, Canton, Mich., died in 2008 at age 59.

Judy (Bocker) Martin, MSE '00, died Sept. 3 at age 58 after battling leukemia. She taught in Akron, Ohio, and Belvidere, Ill., retiring in 2008 from the Stevens Point school district where she was a reading specialist. She also taught at UWSP. She enjoyed riding her Harley and outdoor sports. Her husband, David, survives, as do their two daughters and eight grandchildren.

1990s

Ann Williams, '93, St. Paul, Minn., died Aug. 8, at age 37 as the result of a brain aneurysm. She worked in interior design in St. Paul then held a variety of jobs, including being a partner in a real estate agency. Most recently she was the sales coordinator for Aquarius Water Conditioning and a part-time Clinique sales associate. She also donated time to several service projects.

Jennifer (Schwerke) Ploman, '91, Kronenwetter, died October 18, along with her daughter, due to an auto accident. She was 40. She worked with Ghidorzi Construction and was a self employed cad drafter with Cad Works LLC. Her husband, Travis, and a son survive.

1980s

Eric "Pud" Podolski, '87, Neenah, died February 12 at age 44, having suffered from a rare neurological disease.

Katherine Trytten Kalke, '85, Milwaukee and formerly Stevens Point, died Aug. 30 at age 65. She earned degrees at St. Olaf College and Rutgers University. She worked as a reference librarian and for the last 20 years in the information technology department of EMJAY Corporation in Milwaukee. While in Stevens Point she was active in music organizations and her church. She is survived by her husband, William, two daughters and two grandchildren.

Brian Cramer, '84, San Mateo, Calif., and formerly of Racine, died Sept. 5 at age 50. He traveled extensively to Europe and the Far East, finally living in Taiwan for many years. His daughter survives.

Lori (Ronspies) Schachel, '83, Stockbridge, died Feb. 5 at age 48 after a short battle with cancer and a 13-year fight with multiple sclerosis (MS). She worked for several area insurance companies, most recently for Integrity Mutual. She was active in the Wisconsin MS Society and was an active fundraiser for MS research. Her husband, Brian, and a daughter survive.

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Patrick McMurtagh, last attended '77, Rothschild, died Feb. 4 at age 57. He was a sales representative for Walters Meier Inc. for more than 31 years. His wife, Anna, survives.

Ethel Taylor, '77, Milwaukee, died in 2009 at age 83.

Mary Miller, '76, Wisconsin Rapids, died Sept. 24 at age 55. She was a shipping and receiving supervisor for R.R. Donnelly and enjoyed outdoor activities, traveling and gardening. Her husband, Richard Provost, preceded her in death and a son and four grandchildren survive.

Tommie Schulz, '76, Stevens Point, died Feb. 19 at age 67. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War and earned two service medals. After earning his degree he worked at the Stevens Point Brewery for 20 years then at Sunrise Medical, retiring for health reasons in 1993. He was a member of the Plover-Whiting Lions Club and was a union leader in both his jobs. He also helped with the Junior Classic and Sportsman League. His two sons survive.

Karen (Pagel) Warner, '76, Almond, died at home Jan. 21 at age 55. She worked at the Union Telephone Co. in Almond for the past five years and previously worked at Almond-Bancroft schools, Bancroft State Bank and Citizens Bank. She had been a member of the school board, Partners in Education, RIF and treasurer of the Booster Club and was an active volunteer. She studied in England while at UWSP. Her husband, Reed, and three sons survive.

Susan Wendorf, '76, Onalaska, died Oct. 4 at age 54 following a three-year battle with ovarian cancer. She began teaching and coaching in Westfield then taught in Wisconsin Rapids. After raising her family, she returned as a substitute teacher and then full-time in Onalaska. She is survived by her husband, Bruce, a son and daughter.

Kathryn Marie (Rossmiller) Bentley, '75, Stevens Point, died March 11 at age 56. She retired from UWSP and MATC as a teaching assistant in communication and previously worked for Iowa State University Extension. She was active in First Nighters and many local groups and organizations as well as her parish. She is survived by two sons and a daughter as well as four grandchildren. Donations may be sent to a UWSP scholarship in the name of Elaine Rossmiller.

Jack Magestro, '75, Hartland, died Aug. 21 at age 55. He obtained two master's degrees and worked in the Hartland school district before becoming a full-time author. His wife, Jill Coy-Magestro, a son, daughter, step-son and step-daughter survive.

1970s continued

John "Jack" O'Brien, '75, Ashland, died Nov. 22 at age 57. He was owner/operator of The Stagecoach Inn in Ashland for over 30 years and is credited as being a bartender/psychologist extraordinaire.

James Vance, '75, Eau Claire, died Feb. 9 at age 64. He served in Vietnam, then worked at UWSP as director of Student Services and Educational Opportunity Programs as well as the director of PRIDE. He then worked at UW-Eau Claire as director of American Ethnic Coordinating Office for Recruitment and Retention of Multicultural Students. His work championing the importance of diversity on campus received regional, state and national recognition, including the 1998 UW System Regents Academic Staff Excellence Award for Outstanding Service. Jim was active in local, state and national educational associations, serving as president, chair and on the board of directors of several organizations and their conferences. In 2002 he was appointed the first executive director of the Boys and Girls Club of the Greater Chippewa Valley. His wife, Venerian, and a son and daughter survive.

Clarice (Bergen) Adams, MSE '74, Stevens Point, died Jan. 4 at age 82. She grew up in Stevens Point then attended UW-Madison and Midland Lutheran College in Nebraska. She worked for Dayton Department Store and Brandeis Department Store then returned to Stevens Point to work as a special education teacher. Her four children survive as do seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Patricia (Bunczak) Rychter, '73, MS '77, Stevens Point, died Dec. 23 at age 57 after a 11-month battle with pancreatic cancer. She earned a Ph.D. in continuing adult education from UW-Madison and worked as the Portage County family living educator for 25 years. She was an active member of many Portage County organizations and was recognized and honored for her work, including with the UWSP Outstanding Alumni Award. She and her husband, Ron, farmed together and also traveled extensively. He and their two children survive.

James Dobrient, '72, Madison, died Jan. 1 at age 65. He served in the U.S. Air Force and was retired from University Hospital, where he was a supervisor in the Environmental Services Department. He volunteered with the Red Cross and Department of Motor Vehicles. His daughter survives.

Donna (Trelka) Kurzinski, '72, Mundelein, Ill., died Dec. 19 at age 58. She taught at Washington Elementary School in Mundelein for 33 years. Her husband, Dale, survives.

James Wallendal, '72, West Allis, died Oct. 1.

Jane Alm, '71, Nelsonville, died Dec. 25 at age 63 after a year-long struggle with lung cancer. She earned a master's degree in business from Cardinal Strich College and worked as an accountant in Milwaukee and as a controller in Waukesha. She is survived by her soulmate of 40 years, Robert Ripley.

Thomas Cassidy, '71, Clark Lake, died Oct. 4 at age 62. He served in the U.S. Navy then earned a master's degree in exceptional education at UW-Milwaukee. He taught disadvantaged and learning disabled youth in Milwaukee for many years then moved his family to Green Bay where he began a recruiting business, Cassidy & Associates. He and his wife, Betty Jo, retired in 2002, spending their time traveling in their RV, living in Clark Lake (Door County) and wintering in Arizona. Tom was active in several Clark Lake organizations and volunteered for the American Red Cross. His wife of 48 years survives, as do a son and daughter and four grandchildren.

Alan Johnson, '71, Atlantic Beach, N.Y., died in May. He was a speech pathologist in the Bellmore school district for 35 years and is survived by his wife, Mary (O'Connor) Johnson, '72, and their daughter, Olan.

Linda Johnson, '71, Merrill, died Dec. 26 at age 59. She worked for the U.S. Ski Team in Park City, Utah, for 20 years.

Jeanne (Steffanus) Rogers, '71, Park Ridge, died Feb. 3 at home at age 79. She taught in the Catholic school system for 19 years and tutored adults in English as a second language. She was active in her church and played the violin and piano. She is survived by her husband, William, six sons, two daughters, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A daughter and grandson preceded her in death.

Joan McGinnis-Benoy-Tilma, '70, Stevens Point, died Sept. 19 at age 71. She is survived by five children, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and was preceded in death by a son.

Evelyn Reinolt, last attended '70, Pittsville, died March 6 at age 89. She taught at the Bean School and at Pittsville Elementary for 28 years and was a substitute teacher for 10 years. She also worked at Peoples State Bank for six years. She was a lifelong and active member of her church. She is survived by her husband, Arthur, one son, two grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

1960s

Sharon Nessa Knapp, '69, Kenner, La., died at age 62 on Nov. 3 in the Wisconsin Rapids' home of her parents, following a three-and-a-half year battle with breast cancer. She earned a master's degree in educational administration at UW-Madison and worked for the Department of Veterans Affairs for 30 years, retiring as the assistant director of the Louisiana Regional Office. Her husband of 37 years, U.S. Army LTC William Knapp, survives as well as two step-sons, four granddaughters and one great-granddaughter.

Tony Lazewski, '69, died Sept. 6 at age 62 following a battle with brain cancer. He earned a master's degree and Ph.D from the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign and worked for American Family Insurance for 25 years without a sick day. He also worked and volunteered for the State Historical Society and was dedicated to Boy Scouts as a proud Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver Award winner and Order of the Arrow Lodge Advisor. He played hockey for 30 years. His wife of 32 years, Barbara, survives, as do two daughters.

Thomas Janisch, '68, Town of Calamus, died at home on Jan. 23 at age 64. He worked for the Wisconsin DNR for 30 years.

Lois Pfeil, '68, Green Valley, Ariz., died Sept. 23. She taught in Beloit and Watertown before she retired and moved to Arizona, where she was active in the Wisconsin Retired Educators Association.

Gale West, '68, Plover, died Jan. 26, at age 96. He helped form the Jacklin Seed Co. then entered the U.S. Army, serving in Europe during World War II. Later he worked in construction and developed subdivisions in Plover and Grand Rapids. He served as president of the Village of Plover, was the county board representative and was on numerous committees. He and his wife, Evelyn, traveled in their motor home and wintered in the southern states. She preceded him in death, as does a son. A daughter, three stepdaughters and stepson survive.

Robert Monti, '67, Merrill, died Aug. 15 at age 69. He served in the National Guard and taught in the towns of Pine River and Scott then taught eighth grade science at Merrill Junior High for 31 years. He retired after more than 35 years of teaching. Robert also worked part time as a car salesman in Merrill and Wausau and was a Santa Claus at area Christmas gatherings for 47 years. He was an active member of his church, served on and led the Merrill City Council and many committees and was a softball coach. His wife, Jean, one daughter, two sons, five grandchildren and one great-grandson survive.

Norbert "Nibby" Gould, '66, Houston, Texas, died Dec. 23. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam, where he was wounded. He then worked for Graebel Moving and Storage until his retirement. He spent the last years of his life hospitalized due to exposure to "Agent Orange" in Vietnam. His wife of 37 years, Rachel, two sons and two grandchildren survive.

Gretchen (Forbes) Scoles, '66, Riverton, Wyo., died Aug. 6 at age 86. She taught for 25 years in Wisconsin and Wyoming. She and her husband, Gordon, raised champion horses on a Wyoming ranch near Pavillion, Wyo. A daughter, four grandchildren and six great grandchildren survive.

Michael Banta, '65, Winneconne, died Oct. 6 at age 68 after battling lung cancer. He worked for Woolworth's in Oshkosh, State Farm Insurance in Appleton then was an investigator of Curtis Law Office for 36 years. He retired in 2008 and enjoyed golf, the outdoors and card games and tricks. His wife of 46 years, Sara, three daughters and eight grandchildren survive. An infant daughter preceded him in death.

Lorraine Hornburg, last attended '64, Bear Creek, died May 6 after a long illness.

Robert Timmons, '64, Kaukauna, died Aug. 9 at age 70. He worked for the Boy Scouts of America Samoset Council in Rhinelander and the West Suburban Council in La Grange, Ill., retiring in 1994. He continued helping with a special needs troop in Wisconsin Rapids until his death. His wife, Anne, son, daughter and four grandchildren survive.

Gertrude (Boock) Graupner, '63, formerly of Spencer, died Aug. 15 at age 97. She earned a degree at Dr. Martin Luther College in New Ulm (co-founded by her grandfather) and taught at St. John's Lutheran School in Burlington. She and her husband, Carl, farmed in Spencer and she taught at Spencer Elementary School and earned her UWSP degree. She retired in 1977. Gertrude was active in her church and visited family in Germany frequently with her husband, who preceded her in death. Their five sons and one daughter survive, along with 14 grandchildren.

Wanda (Grottke) Garbisch, '60, Arpin, died March 19 at age 75. She taught in Chili and Fremont then in Moose Pass, Alaska. After moving back to Wisconsin, she farmed, raised her children and was a substitute teacher. She and her husband, Bernard, hosted foreign exchange students from around the globe, and she was active in her church. Her four sons, one daughter and nine grandchildren survive, while her husband preceded her in death.

1960s continued

James Marko, '60, Stevens Point, died Nov. 6 at home at age 73. He was the starting guard of the P.J. Jacobs High School state basketball championship team in 1954 and played basketball for UWSP, later being inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame. He worked as an insurance agent for Allstate for 35 years. He also served in the National Guard. His wife, Patricia, survives as do two daughters, a son and five grandchildren.

1950s

Earle Sievwright, last attended '59, Stevens Point, died Nov. 16 at age 78.

James Webster, '58, Arcadia, Fla., died Oct. 9 at age 78. He served in the U.S. Air Force and earned a master's degree from Winona State College in Minnesota in 1963. He taught in Tomah and Adams County and the State of Florida Department of Corrections, retiring in 1996. He is survived by a daughter, two grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Joyce Albers, '55, Wausau, died Oct. 6 on her 81st birthday. She taught at Lincoln High School in Wisconsin Rapids. She and her husband, Thomas, split their time between Wausau and Gulf Shores, Ala., for 22 years and she traveled extensively all over the world. Her husband, three daughters, one son and two grandchildren survive.

Willard Niehaus, last attended '55, Marshfield, died at home Nov. 5 at age 81.

Noma (Ellinger) Holm, '54, Arkdale, died Sept. 18 at age 82. She taught in Waupaca, Grand Marsh and Coloma and also worked in Coloma's administrative office. She was a 40-year breast cancer survivor. She enjoyed motor home travel and other hobbies. Her husband, Harold, and two grandchildren survive. She was preceded in death by her daughter.

Jacquelynn (Piehl) McMahon, '54, Clintonville, died Jan. 1 at age 77. She taught kindergarten in Clintonville for 27 years, was active in her church and in the dance group, Step 'N' Sisters. She and her husband, Robert, traveled with their family and in retirement. He survives, as do two daughters, a son and five grandchildren.

Frank Hoffman, '53, Oshkosh, died August 26 at age 79. He was a mathematics and science teacher at high schools in Bowler and Antigo then at Oshkosh High School. After earning a master's degree from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., he was head of the Mathematics Department at Oshkosh West High School until he retired in 1991. He was a member of the stated and national educational associations and active in his church. His wife, Yvonne, a daughter, three sons and eight grandchildren.

Robert Gill, last attended '52, Wisconsin Rapids, died Sept. 15 at age 77. He earned a degree from Northern Illinois College of Optometry then owned and operated R.D. Gill OD in Wisconsin Rapids for 38 years. He also served in the U.S. Army medical service corps. He was a member of several Wisconsin Rapids civic organizations. His wife, Joyce, two children and five grandchildren survive.

Robert Feit, '51, Mosinee, died Feb. 20 at age 83. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He taught in Crivitz, Pulaski and Mosinee, retiring in 1990 as a guidance counselor. He also coached football, softball and baseball. He was a Mosinee alderman then mayor for eight years and also served on the Marathon County Board for 14 years. He enjoyed hunting and sports. His wife, Clara, survives, as do 11 children, 25 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

Helen (Offerdahl) LaLeike, '51, Lehigh Acres, Fla., died of cancer Jan. 21 at age 80. She was a homemaker, substitute teacher and librarian until her retirement in 1990. She was also a volunteer in the scouting program, at her church, a local elementary school and Washington Historical Society. She and her husband, Fred, traveled extensively and she enjoyed knitting, cooking and photography. Her husband preceded her in death and she is survived by a daughter and granddaughter.

Carman Lane, '51, Appleton, died Feb. 9 at age 83. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II then attended UWSP and earned a master's degree from Vander Cook College of Music in Chicago. He taught English, mathematics and music in Colby and Auburndale then operated Graham-Lane Music Shop in Stevens Point. He later worked at CESA, establishing gifted and talented programs at rural Wisconsin schools, and taught mathematics until he retired to a lake home in Irma with his wife, Judy. He directed the Stevens Point Barbershop Chorus for 30 years and played piano in several local groups. His wife preceded him in death. Four daughters, and eight grandchildren survive.

Leonard Jacoboski, '50, Janesville, died Sept. 16 at age 81 following surgical complications. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II and later earned a master's degree in history from UW-Whitewater. He worked for AO Smith Corp. in Milwaukee then taught in various school districts, retiring from Janesville Craig in 1986. He was involved in several civic organizations. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Grace, three children and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son.

1940s

Esther (Matz) West, '48, died October 1 at age 80. She taught at Elcho, Birnamwood, Eland and Baraboo and was the director of the Marion Public Library, retiring in 1993. She enjoyed high school and college sports, especially UW-Green Bay Phoenix baseball. She was a 57-year member of the American Legion Auxiliary and a charter member of the Marion Athletic Booster Club. In retirement she made quilts for Lutheran World Relief. She is survived by her husband, Oscar, two sons, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Eudora Leverance, '47, Neenah, died Oct. 14 at age 91. She earned a special education degree at UW-Milwaukee and taught in rural schools in Lincoln County then elementary schools in Port Edwards, Nekoosa and Neenah. She was the Neenah Teacher of the Year in 1966 and the Wisconsin State Special Education Teacher of the Year in 1983. After retiring in 1986 she was involved in several professional and civic organizations and her church.

Arleen "Dottie" Wadzinski, '45, Rothschild, died at home Dec. 31 at age 83. She began teaching in a one-room schoolhouse, then married Clemens Wadzinski and raised five children. She returned to teaching at St. Marks, Rothschild, retiring in 1987 after 21 years. She was active in her church and enjoyed travel. Her husband, children, 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren survive.

Mariam Cummings, '44, Bancroft, died Nov. 8 at home at age 84. She taught school for many years, beginning in a one-room schoolhouse and retiring from Mosinee schools. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald, and a son. Two daughters survive, as do six grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Daniel "Donald" Kordus, '43, Beaver Dam, died Aug. 14 at age 88. He earned a master's degree at UW-Madison and was a combat pilot in Europe during World War II. He then taught at Beaver Dam High School and served in the National Guard. He was active in many Beaver Dam, state and national organizations. His wife, Marion, a son and daughter preceded him in death. A daughter, foster son and foster daughter survive, as do 15 grandchildren and 22 great grandchildren.

1930s

Vivian Hadow, '38, Milton, died in Dec. 17, 2008, at age 92.

Mark Schroeder, '36, Riverside, Calif., died March 10 at age 94. He had a long career in the U.S. Forest Service working in meteorology and forest fire fighting, retiring in 1981. He and his wife, Eva, who survives, had established a scholarship in their names through the UWSP College of Natural Resources.

Orva Yache, '33, Westminster, S.C., died Dec. 21, 2006. Her husband, Cole, preceded her in death.

EVENT CALENDAR

*UWSP Alumni Association events are shown in purple. *Check entries for Web links for more information!

APRIL

Department of Theatre and Dance: *Floyd Collins*
April 9-11 & 14-17
Studio Theatre, NFAC
First Nighters - Friday,
April 9, 5:30 p.m.

Alaska Alumni Reunion
Sunday, April 11
noon, Sourdough Mining
Company, Anchorage,
Alaska
Register through www.uwsp.edu/alumni

Trivia 40: *The Dark Side of the Contest*
90 FM WWSP Trivia
Contest
Friday, April 16-Sunday,
April 18

Alumni Trivia phone shift
Sunday, April 18, 6-10
a.m. ((OPENINGS STILL
AVAILABLE! Call 715-
346-3811!))
Communication Arts
Center

Paper Science Alumni Reunion/Fish Fry
Friday, April 23, 6-10 p.m.
Laird Room, DUC
Register through www.uwsp.edu/alumni

Wisconsin Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony
Saturday, April 24, 10 a.m.
Sentry Theatre
Induction of the late
George Becker, biology
professor emeritus

Mapping Language exhibit
Through April 25
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC

11th Annual Letters and Sciences Research Symposium
Friday, April 30, 2 p.m.
Science Building

Performing Arts Series
Alex de Grassi, steel string guitarist
Wed., April 14, 7:30 p.m.
Sentry Theater

Chancellor's Leadership Awards
Friday, April 30
Dreyfus University Center

MAY

Alumni Board Meeting
Saturday, May 1
Dreyfus University Center

BFA Exhibition
May 2-21, Reception, Friday, May 14, 3-6 p.m.
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC

Posters in the Rotunda
Wednesday, May 5
Madison

Department of Theatre and Dance: *Danstage*
May 7-9 & 12-14
Jenkins Theater, NFAC
First Nighters, Friday,
May 7, 5:30 p.m.

Portage County Cultural Festival
Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m.-
5 p.m.
Stevens Point Area Senior
High School

BOW Birding/Wildflowers workshop
May 14-16
Wyalusing State Park
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

Albertson Medallion Awards
Friday, May 14
Dreyfus University Center

Spring Commencement
Saturday, May 15, 10 a.m.
and 2 p.m.
Specht Forum/Sundial
(weather permitting)

Newman Parish 40th Anniversary Picnic
Sunday, May 16
Mass at 10:15 a.m., picnic
at 11:45 a.m.
Newman Center

Alumni Association Senior Breakfast
Mon., May 17, 9-11 a.m.
Dreyfus University Center

JUNE

BOW Rose Farm Fly Fishing workshop
June, TBA
Waupaca
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

UWSP Summer Session
Three-week session, June
1-June 18

Youth summer camps
June-August
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/cwes

Walk Wisconsin
Saturday, June 5
Stevens Point Green
Circle
www.walkwisconsin.com

Special Olympics Summer Games
June 10-12
UWSP campus
www.specialolympic-swiscnsin.org/

Chicago Alumni Event
Sat., June 12 (tentative)
tentatively at Argonne
Laboratories with special
guest,
UWSP Professor Mike
Zach, '97

Madison Alumni Event - Betty Lou Cruise
Wed., June 16, 7-9 p.m.
Register through www.uwsp.edu/alumni

Milwaukee Alumni Event - Wine and cheese tasting
Saturday, June 19
Vino 100, 102 N. Water
Street, Third Ward

Appleton Alumni Event
Tuesday, June 22 (tentative)

Camp COFAC - Music
Camp COFAC - Studio Art
June 20-26
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/fineartscamp/

Summer Session
Four-week session, June
21-July 16
Eight-week session, June
21-August 11
Four-week session, July
18-August 11
www.uwsp.edu/summer-session

JULY

Delta Zeta Reunion
July TBA
Register through www.uwsp.edu/alumni

BOW Loons workshop
July, TBA
Woodruff
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

Family Camping Weekend
July 9-11
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/cwes

UWSP Founders Day
July 21

2010 National Wellness Conference
June 17-22
www.nationalwellness.org/

AUGUST

2010 American Suzuki Institute, session one
August 1-7
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/suzuki

Suzuki 40th Reunion
Friday, August 6

Green Bay Alumni Event
Saturday, August 14
Tall Ship Festival(tentative)

2010 American Suzuki Institute, session two
August 8-14
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/suzuki

Twin Cities Alumni Reunion "double header"
Friday, August 20th and Saturday, August 21
Twins Game on Friday and Guthrie event on Saturday (tentative)

BOW 20th Annual Summer Workshop
August 27-29
Treehaven Field Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

SEPTEMBER

Fall semester begins
Thursday, September 2

Waupaca Alumni Reunion
Thursday, September 16
Green Fountain Inn

BOW Charter Fishing Workshop
September, TBA
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

OCTOBER

Department of Theatre and Dance: Soldier's Circle
October 8-10 & 14-16
Jenkins Theatre, NFAC
First Nighters, Friday, Oct. 8, 5:30 p.m.

Homecoming 2010
Saturday, October 9
UWSP campus

2010 Awards Ceremony
Saturday, October 9
Distinguished Alumni Council
Trailblazer, Alumni Service & Hansen Awards
Dreyfus University Center

Class of 1960 50th Reunion Brunch
Sunday, October 10
Dreyfus University Center

UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame
Saturday, October 23
Dreyfus University Center

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Save the date!

Wilderness Resort Alumni Weekend
November 5-7

Future Trivia dates
April 8-10, 2011
April 20-22, 2012
April 19-21, 2013
April 11-13, 2014

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