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Photo by Tom Roster

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The new west entry of Old Main on a bright fall morning.
Photo by Anders Björling '58



Dreaming of future celebrations



Tom Roster

Much of this issue of the *Quarterly* is built around the notion of celebration. There are stories of distinguished alumni and their contributions—about their “lives of leadership and service to society,” as it says in our mission statement. There are stories celebrating people who have made a difference in the well-being of the College and the students it serves so very well.

You’ll read about celebrations of commencement, of great teaching, and very special Gustavus highlights such as the Nobel Conference and Christmas in Christ Chapel. And of course we regularly celebrate student achievements on Honors Day. We celebrate our Swedish heritage. We celebrate with great music, great hospitality, and of course with great food. We have so very much to celebrate. I think we could do it more often than we do.

Many years ago, at another institution, a wise trustee challenged me with the question, “What is it that you want to celebrate in five years?” His interest was not in celebrations, of course. It was about pushing us to imagine a new future and then to create a path to get there.

Lately, I’ve been imagining future celebrations—big ones—some that I hope you will read about here in the *Quarterly* at some point, and some in which I hope you might have a personal share. As we begin to set long-term direction and strategies with our current planning process, I imagine many things, like celebrating a new and unprecedented level of student engagement in learning here on campus. I can imagine a high level of global competency in every one of our graduates. I can see us celebrating Gustavus as a premier institution in the teaching and practice of leadership. I can see new approaches to supporting students in their faith journeys. And would it not be great to celebrate new endowed chairs for brilliant professors, funding for full student access to research and special project work with an engaged faculty, solid scholarship support for every single student who needs and deserves it, and a highly attractive campus that’s energy-efficient and shaped by innovative approaches to long-term environmental sustainability?

We do need to stop periodically to celebrate individual and institutional accomplishments, large and small. And we certainly ought to celebrate on a regular basis who we are and what we do. But it’s also critical, I think, to constantly imagine future celebrations—big ones—those that signal important objectives met, goals accomplished, dreams realized. We are thinking a lot about the future these days. And if we can think, plan, and work together with a shared vision, all of us in the Gustavus community can certainly anticipate celebrating great achievements well into that future.

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2006 Carlson Award Winner Paul Saulnier:

“Prepared, organized, enthusiastic, caring—and a pretty funny guy”

by Rob Gardner

Editor's Note: The Edgar M. Carlson Award for Distinguished Teaching, the College's highest faculty accolade, was established in 1971 by the Gustavus Board of Trustees to honor former president Edgar Carlson for his years of distinguished leadership and in recognition of his commitment to academic excellence. Each year a member of the Gustavus faculty is selected to receive this award for demonstrating exceptional skills and effectiveness as a teacher. It has become tradition for the previous year's winner to introduce the new honoree during the commencement exercises. Theatre professor Rob Gardner's remarks follow.

Choosing the Carlson winner is a difficult task, because there are many worthy teachers at Gustavus. However, there is no doubt that this year's winner is a deserving one, regarded as exceptionally skilled and exceptionally effective by students and colleagues alike.

Here are some comments from students: “A wonderful teacher.” “An excellent teacher.” “The most competent and creative teacher I



Stan Waldhauser '71

Paul Saulnier

have had so far at Gustavus.” “The best teacher I ever had.”

And comments from colleagues: “Admired and respected by students and colleagues alike.” “A remarkable record of excellence as a teacher, researcher, and faculty leader.” “One of the best teachers I have ever known.”

What makes this person an excellent teacher? Comments from students, colleagues, and the man himself (for it is a man) suggest four things:

First, **preparation**. As one of his colleagues attests, “His prepara-

tion for class is characterized by long hours of work, lectures impeccably written and delivered, and an appropriately assigned and promptly graded body of homework.”

Second, **organization**. Student after student comments on this teacher's remarkable ability, in lectures, research projects, and conversations, to take complex tasks and subjects and break them into clear sequences and comprehensible elements. According to one, “He has a remarkable talent for

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Coming your way?

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August

- 20 Seattle
- 21 Portland, Ore.
- 27 Milwaukee, Wis.
- 28 Madison, Wis.
- 29 Appleton, Wis.

September

- 10 Chicago
- 11 Bloomington, Ill.
- 12 Rockford, Ill.
- 13–14 Minot, N.D.
- 18 Rice Lake, Wis.
- 18 Bozeman, Mont.
- 18 Livingston, Mont.
- 18–19 Fargo, N.D./Moorhead, Minn.
- 19 Kansas City, Mo.
- 19 Ashland, Wis.
- 19 Billings, Mont.
- 20 Minocqua, Wis.
- 20 Wausau, Wis.
- 20 Lewiston, Mont.
- 20 Great Falls, Mont.
- 21 St. Louis
- 21 Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
- 21 Cut Bank, Mont.
- 21 Bismarck, N.D.
- 25 Mitchell, S.D.
- 26 Milbank, S.D.
- 26 Watertown, S.D.
- 27 De Pere, Wis.
- 27 Sioux Falls, S.D.
- 28 Marinette, Wis.
- 28 Vermilion, S.D.
- 29 Oshkosh, Wis.
- 30 Denver

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Carlson Award

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being able to make difficult problems manageable.”

Third, **inspiration**. This is clearly a teacher who loves his subject and loves teaching it—and his enthusiasm is infectious. Listen again to his students: “It is easy to tell even after only one lecture that he has a deep love for what he teaches and teaching itself.” “His lectures are always interesting, thought-provoking—they make you want to learn.” “He inspires you . . . in new and innovative ways that allow you to connect the specific knowledge to general principles.” “He taught us to think, to learn, to be better students.”

Fourth, **mentoring**. Gustavus, he says, is truly about the students. And his attitude is readily apparent to them and to his colleagues. Says one colleague, “Students are eager to take a course from him, not because they think it will be easy, but because they know they will learn a great deal from a mentor who is extremely knowledgeable, who will hold them accountable to learn and to achieve, and who will be there for them whenever and however they need help.”

Prepared, organized, enthusiastic, caring—and a pretty funny guy—these are the characteristics of Professor of Physics Paul Saulnier.


Paul received his bachelor of science degree in physics and electrical engineering, magna cum laude, from the University of Hartford, graduating in three years. After working for two years in the aerospace division of General Electric, where at the age of 21 he served as lead project engineer for a \$2 million research and development program, he returned to academia and has never

looked back. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Delaware, then spent two years at Carroll College in Wisconsin before joining the Gustavus faculty in 1993.

At Gustavus he has taught nearly all the courses in the Department of Physics, ranging from general physics to quantum mechanics, as well as a January Term course on the “History and Art of Science Fiction Film” and a First Term Seminar that explores the relationship between science and science fiction.


His research program is described by colleague Chuck Niederriter as “incredible and awesome.” Since obtaining external funding to implement an advanced optics teaching laboratory, he has developed three research programs, one concerned with the study of light propagation in highly scattering media, another with investigations into Riccati differ-

ential systems, and a third, in collaboration with biologists, on the subject of swarms in nature. In carrying out these programs, Paul has worked with more than 30 different undergraduate research associates, many of whom have gone on to successful careers of their own. Listen again to Professor Niederriter: “Always the teacher, Paul uses the research lab experiences of his students to teach them about the life of a scientist (and life in general).”

Paul himself has said, “If I just wanted to ‘do physics’ or ‘earn money,’ Gustavus is not where I would be, for I certainly could have chosen other career paths that would have offered me more of each of these. I am at Gustavus because I feel a strong personal sense of service. Here I have the opportunity to serve students, colleagues (both inside and outside of the physics department), my profession, and my own curiosity.” 

Kruger recognized for scholarly achievement

P sychology professor Mark Kruger has been named recipient of the 2006 Faculty Scholarly Achievement Award for work that is, in the words of introducer Michael Hvidsten, mathematics professor who was last year’s award recipient, “at the nexus of music and the mind.” Starting with a study of the biomechanics of playing the trombone, Kruger has done pioneering work with physicists and musicians (including longtime collaborator Mark Lammers, Gustavus research professor) in how the mind learns to coordinate the intricate set of motions needed to play an instrument with the auditory feedback needed to play that instrument well. Among his many papers and presentations in the past 10 years are studies of music performance physiology, student practice habits, and the psychology of music performance. He was invited to present two papers—one on language use in autobiographical memory for music performances and the other a comparative study of air support in brass instruments—in August at an international conference in Italy.

First awarded in 1986, the Faculty Scholarly Achievement Award was reestablished in 2004 and is now announced during the annual Honors Day convocation. 

Rydell Professorship brings AIDS researcher to campus

Dr. Robert Gallo, who is recognized for his role in identifying the HIV virus as the cause of AIDS, spent two weeks in residence on the Gustavus Adolphus College campus during the Spring 2006 semester as the College's Rydell Professor. As part of his residency, he co-taught a seminar in virology and also delivered three public lectures on campus, including a keynote address at the College's MAYDAY! Peace Conference on April 19.

Gallo has been director of the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland since 1996 and previously served at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md., for 30 years. His professional interests have focused on the study of the basic




Robert Gallo

biology of human blood cells, their normal and abnormal growth, and the causes of abnormal growth related to leukemia, insufficiency, or immune deficiencies. His stature and reputation in the fields of virology and immunology led to his serving

Jonathan Kraatz

twice as a presenter at the College's Nobel Conference, first in 1992 on the topic of "Immunity: The Battle Within" and again in 1998 for "Virus: The Human Connection."


As part of his residency, Gallo co-taught a seminar course for biology majors, "The Biology of Viruses," with Gustavus Associate Professor of Biology John Lammert. His public lectures focused on the origin, evolution, and major biological features of the HIV virus; the timing of the AIDS outbreak in 1981 from the standpoint of recent scientific advances in molecular biology and immunology; and the overconfidence and complacency of society and medical science in industrialized countries in dealing with the pandemic. His final lecture, the keynote address for the College's 26th annual MAYDAY! Conference, focused on the unfolding crisis of AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa.

The Rydell Professorship at Gustavus is a scholar-in-residence program designed to bring Nobel laureates, Nobel Conference presenters, and similarly distinguished scholars to the campus as catalysts for enhancing learning and teaching. It was established in 1995 by Drs. Robert E. and Susan T. Rydell of Minnetonka, Minn., to give students the opportunity to learn from and interact with leading scholars. Gallo is the ninth scholar to be in residence at Gustavus as a Rydell Professor. 

Political science professor honored by student body

Alisa Rosenthal, assistant professor of political science, has been recognized by the student body of Gustavus Adolphus College with the 2006 Swenson-Bunn Memorial Award for Teaching Excellence. The award, nominated by students and selected by vote of the Student Senate, has been presented annually since 1990 at the College's Honors Day convocation.

Rosenthal, who joined the Gustavus faculty in 2004, teaches courses in feminist political theory, the history of political thought, constitutional law, and ethics and public policy. A graduate of Beloit College, she earned her M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin.

The Swenson-Bunn Memorial Award for Teaching Excellence honors the memory of two Gustavus students and members of the Student Senate, Greg Swenson and Holly Bunn, who were killed in a car accident in 1989. 

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October

- 1 Orange County, Calif.
- 1 Des Moines, Iowa
- 2 Sioux Falls, S.D.
- 3 Elgin, Ill.
- 3 La Crosse, Wis.
- 3 Eau Claire, Wis.
- 3 Brookings, S.D.
- 3 Huron, S.D.
- 4 Minneapolis
- 8 Aspen, Colo.
- 9 Colorado Springs, Colo.
- 9 Franklin, Wis.
- 10 Kenosha, Wis.
- 11 Hoffman Estates, Ill.
- 11 Louisville, Colo.
- 11 Hartland, Wis.
- 11 Shawnee Mission, Kan.
- 12 Denver
- 12 Verona, Wis.
- 14 Chicago
- 14 Greenwood Village, Colo.
- 15 Milwaukee, Wis.
- 16-17 Las Vegas
- 17 Custer, S.D.
- 18 Spearfish, S.D.
- 19 Rapid City, S.D.
- 22 Omaha, Neb.
- 22 Lincoln, Neb.
- 23 Des Moines, Iowa
- 24-25 Minneapolis
- 29 St. Louis
- 29 Omaha, Neb.
- 30 Kansas City, Kan.

November

- 3-4 Seattle
- 4 Chicago
- 5-6 Portland, Ore.

For further information on the above fairs, or to get information on every college fair at which Gustavus will be represented, call Alan Meiers at 800/487-8288.



Erratum

We incorrectly reported in our last issue (Summer 2006) that junior Carla Smith had won third place in the poster presentation session of the National Black Graduate Student Conference held in Las Vegas in March. In fact, while she had collaborated with a fellow student on a presentation that was entered in the poster competition, her award resulted from placing third in the *undergraduate paper* competition, which gave Gustavus student entries a 1-2-3 sweep in that division.

2006 Nobel Conference will discuss the future of healthcare and medical research

by *Tim Robinson '65*

It's hard to imagine changes that have affected our lives more in the past 100 years than those in the field of medicine. Every day we read about some miraculous cure for a condition that would have been fatal just a few years ago, and we seem to take for granted that this will continue to be the case in the future. And, if something goes wrong, we expect not only that modern medicine will develop something to fix it, but also that the cost will be covered by our employer's health-care plan or Medicare—certainly not by us.

The 2006 Nobel Conference, to be held on October 3 and 4, will deal with both of these aspects of medicine—the promise of medical research and the changing nature of the health-care system—and their implications for our lives.

Not that long ago parents were happy if even a majority of their children lived long enough to have children of their own. The leading causes of death were influenza, pneumonia, diphtheria, smallpox, whooping cough, and tuberculosis—diseases that today have practically vanished from the public consciousness. Some of the changes that led to this were simple, like Ignaz Semmelweis' suggestion that medical caregivers should wash their hands, but most involved

radically different treatments, like antibiotics, that came about as the result of ingenious basic scientific research.

The whole healthcare delivery system has also changed, just as radically. Gone are the days of the solo practitioner who made house calls and perhaps maintained a small private hospital. Has the highly-regarded family physician simply become a production unit in a giant corporate enterprise? Are the days of employer-sponsored health coverage coming to an end as well?

The success of medical innovation has produced a paradoxical situation: As research extends life expectancy and makes radical new cures possible, it may be that we won't be able to afford these procedures or that we'll be forced to make difficult decisions about who will have access to them. The economic and ethical questions facing both the medical community and society at large are likely to be magnified as baby boomers move toward retirement age.

At the beginning of this 21st century, medicine is held in high esteem by the public and is being looked to for solutions to a variety of societal problems. But it's clear that the traditional structure of this industry is under tremendous pressure and will present a very different picture in the not-so-distant future.

As is our tradition at the Nobel Conferences, we will ex-

amine these issues as well as the hard science. We will highlight the search for the "magic bullet." We'll hear about the promise of genomics, and how to make primitive cells turn into lung tissue, a field known as "tissue engineering." We'll hear about nanotechnology applications in medicine. We'll also learn whether we should be worried about the prospect of worldwide epidemics. And, since Minnesota is home to first-rate medical practice and research, we will feature some of this research in special discussion sessions and displays of innovative products.

Physician-researchers J. Michael Bishop (Nobel Prize 1989), Michael Osterholm, Dame Julia Polak, and James Orbinski, along with bioengineer Jennifer West, economist Henry Aaron, and philosopher Daniel Callahan, will lead us into discussion and enlightenment on a subject that touches each of our lives: medicine and what we might expect "tomorrow."

Tickets for the 2006 Nobel Conference may be reserved by calling the Office of College Relations at Gustavus (507/933-7520), by returning the form on the insert in this magazine, or by visiting the College's website (www.gustavus.edu/nobelconference).

Tim Robinson '65, professor of psychology at Gustavus since 1969, is director of the Nobel Conference.



Longtime Gustavus Band leader dies

Myron R. Falck, emeritus professor of music at Gustavus Adolphus College and director of bands for 34 years, died on Saturday, March 13, 2006, at the St. Peter Health Care Center after a brief illness. He was 83 years old.

Born in Black Creek, Wis., in 1922, Falck began developing an appreciation for music at an early age. He specialized in the tuba, baritone, and string bass and played with U.S. Army bands from 1942 to 1946. Following his military service, he returned to Wisconsin, obtaining his undergraduate degree from the former Milwaukee State Teachers College in 1948 and teaching high school music in Wisconsin public schools. He went on to earn a master of music degree from the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y., in 1952 before joining the faculty at Gustavus in 1954. In 1965 he was awarded a doctorate in

music theory from the Eastman School of Music.


Falck's teaching assignments at Gustavus were varied, but he served as director of the Gustavus Band, the College's touring wind ensemble, and taught instrumental conducting throughout his 34-year career. He also taught orchestration; instrumental technique; instrument classes in woodwind, brass, and percussion; counterpoint; music theory; and music history and appreciation classes, also supervising student teachers. He was promoted to full professor in 1971 and chaired the Department of Music for three terms.

In 1975 Falck was appointed to a term as music coordinator of the Minnesota State Arts Council, which had been established in the mid-1960s to advance the arts in the state. As coordinator he headed a 10-member advisory panel of professional musicians and music



Myron R. Falck

teachers that screened proposals for matching funds for music programs.

Falck retired from the Gustavus faculty in 1988 but continued to reside in St. Peter. He is survived by his sister, Marie Alexander; brother, Franklin Falck; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. A memorial service at Gustavus is being planned. 


Gustavus Choir to appear at Christiansen Festival

The Gustavus Choir, led by Gregory Aune, is among five Minnesota Lutheran college choirs that will perform together in two concerts on Sunday, November 19, 2006, at Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis to celebrate the living legacy of the "father" of American a cappella singing.

The birth 135 years ago of F. Melius Christiansen will be commemorated by internationally known touring choirs from Gustavus, Augsburg College, Concordia College (Moorhead), Concordia University-St. Paul, and St. Olaf College. It will be the first joint appearance by these five ensembles representing the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LC-MS). Each choir will perform individually, directed by its own conductor, and as a combined choir under the direction of guest conductor Kenneth Jennings, professor emeritus and former director of the St. Olaf Choir and interim conductor of the Gustavus Choir in 1994-95.

Two identical concerts will be presented, the first at 2 p.m. and the second at 6:30 p.m. All seats are reserved and may be acquired through the Orchestra Hall box office (800/292-4141 or 612/371-5656).

The concerts are sponsored by the F. Melius Christiansen Star of the North Festival Concert Series affiliated with the American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) of Minnesota, and will highlight the organization's two-day annual fall convention program. The performances will directly benefit the scholarship fund of the F. Melius Christiansen Endowment Fund that supports continuing education and graduate studies of young and aspiring choral directors in Minnesota.

Music to be performed at the concerts will include works of F. Melius Christiansen, including choral favorites of thousands of choral concertgoers such as *Beautiful Savior*, *Wake Awake*, *O Day Full of Grace*, *Psalm 50*, *Praise to the Lord the Almighty*, and *Lost In The Night*. 



Admission process now test-optional

An interview with Vice President Mark Anderson '66



Steve Waldhauser '70

Mark Anderson '66

Effective for students applying for admission to Gustavus Adolphus College for the Class of 2011, submitting an ACT or SAT score will be optional. This new approach places emphasis on college-preparatory coursework and initiative, as well as involvement, leadership, and service.

The *Quarterly* sat down with Mark Anderson '66, who has directed the admission office at Gustavus for more than 20 years, to pose some questions about the rationale for the decision and the benefits for students and the College. Anderson was named vice president for admission and student financial assistance this past spring following the retirement of Owen Sammelson '58, former vice president for administration.

The Gustavus Quarterly (GQ):

What prompted Gustavus to move to a test-optional admission policy?

Mark Anderson (MA): Making standardized college-entrance exams optional will better serve prospective students and their families by evaluating each student on overall achievement and not a one-day exam. . . . We look for students who have prepared themselves for the rigorous challenges of the academic program at Gustavus. Test scores—low or high—are not always accurate in predicting a student's academic success.

GQ: How does this benefit Gustavus?

MA: Promising students with a high GPA and strong college

preparatory coursework who may have otherwise not considered Gustavus because of their test scores will now be more likely to explore the College and apply. Also, Gustavus expects to see an increase in applications, as has nearly every other institution that has instituted a test-optional admission policy. And, with more applications comes greater applicant variety—leading to greater admission selectivity and the opportunity to build an even better incoming class.

GQ: How does the Gustavus application process compare to other institutions?

MA: Currently, 24 of the top 100 liberal arts colleges (according to *U.S. News and World Report's* rankings) are test-optional. Gustavus will be the first liberal arts college in Minnesota to have a test-optional admission policy and will join the ranks of Bates (ME), Mount Holyoke (MA), Franklin and Marshall (PA), and Bowdoin (ME) colleges. Recently, Lawrence University (WI) and Knox College (IL) have also chosen to make test scores optional for admission.

GQ: What went into the decision? Who was involved?

MA: The Gustavus Admission Office has been researching admission procedures as part of the ongoing effort to enhance the admission experience for prospective students and advance Gustavus' competitive position.

Our Office of Institutional Research compiled data from graduates of the last five years showing the relative importance of various predictors of academic success (see pie chart). Faculty members, administrators, the Faculty Senate, counselors at feeder high schools, college colleagues, and professional organizations have been consulted and have been very positive to this change in policy.

GQ: Are Gustavus' admission standards changing?

MA: No; as always, the emphasis will be on college preparatory curriculum and resultant grade point average, which are proven to be the best predictors of future academic success. Having a test-optional admission policy reaffirms the importance of a student's long-term preparation for college inside the classroom, not a single, marathon test given on a particular Saturday morning.

GQ: How does this benefit prospective students?

MA: Students who have demonstrated their preparation for the challenge of Gustavus' curriculum—through their high school record and achievements—will continue to be admitted to Gustavus even though the test scores will be an option. As intense test anxiety and the resulting multi-billion dollar test preparation industry grow wildly, Gustavus can better serve students by alleviating the pressure of mandatory standardized tests and responding to the bias of standardized test preparation.

GQ: Will some students benefit more than others with this policy?

MA: Students with exceptional ability and strong test scores will continue to be admitted and re-

warded based on their entire application—including their high school transcript, involvement and interests, writing ability, and recommendations. Students who do not feel their test scores accurately reflect their academic ability and potential will have a choice to submit their scores—giving them some say in the admission process.

GQ: Why should any student take the ACT or SAT?

MA: Gustavus admission counselors will advise prospective students to take standardized tests so they may fully explore their options and to prepare them for later standardized tests such as the GRE and MCAT.* However, these students will benefit from the knowledge before taking a standardized test that they may voluntarily submit the results to Gustavus.

GQ: Will test scores be required for any applicants?

MA: While no applicants for admission will be required to submit standardized test scores (with the exception of the TOEFL for international students), scores will be considered when awarding the President's Scholarship, our top academic scholarship. Compared to Gustavus' other academic scholarships, President's applicants will continue to demonstrate their exceptional ability through additional steps: a scholarship application, an interview, an essay, and submission of test scores.

GQ: How does this affirm and promote the mission of the College?

MA: Gustavus offers a liberal arts education to students of high aspiration and promise—qualities that don't lend themselves to being measured neatly by stan-

Predictive Attributes of College GPA

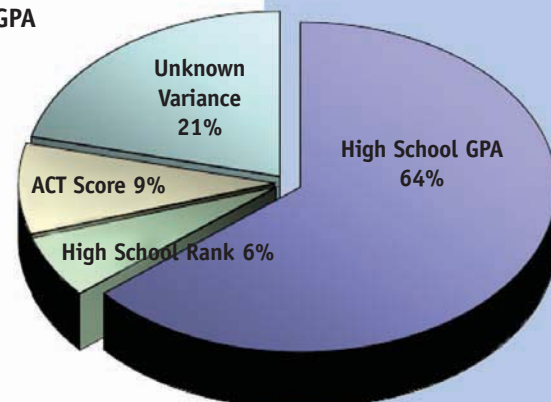



Chart by David Menk '94

dardized testing. Important attributes for success at Gustavus—such as commitment, motivation, creativity, leadership, and maturity—are better evaluated by considering a student's entire application. Additionally, this policy continues Gustavus' tradition of innovative education, along with Writing Across the Curriculum, Curriculum II, the First Term Seminar, and the 4-1-4 calendar. 

* Bates College, the pioneer of test-optional admission policies which has been test-optional for more than 20 years, has conducted extensive research on the policy's effects. Its landmark study (www.bates.edu) shows little difference in college academic performance and graduation rates between test-score submitters and non-submitters. There are only minor differences in the career outcomes of each group, with exceptions in the four fields where students must take standardized tests for admission to graduate programs (medical, law, M.B.A., or Ph.D.). Therefore, Gustavus believes students planning to pursue additional education beyond their B.A. should familiarize themselves with the structure and experience of standardized testing.

David Menk '94, director of the College's Office of Institutional Research, has compiled data from graduates of the last five years showing the relative importance of various predictors of academic success. A step-wise multiple regression model was used to statistically measure the relationship of a group of predictors for cumulative GPA. High school grade point average, high school class rank, and composite ACT score were chosen as predictors since each has a strong singular correlation to college GPA. By using a regression model, the variability accounted for by the three predictors in the order of their statistical relationship to college GPA was computed. The graph above shows the magnitude of each variable as a predictor of the overall model.



Briefly . . .

FACULTY PROMOTIONS – Five members of the Gustavus faculty were formally granted tenure during chapel services on April 21 and promoted to the rank of associate professor. They are **Jeff Dahlseid '90**, chemistry and biology; **June Kloubec**, health and exercise science; **Jillian Locke**, political science; **Rebecca Taylor Fremo**, English; and **Barbara Mattson Zust '76**, nursing.

The Office of the Dean of the Faculty also announced the promotion of three faculty members to the rank of full professor: **Denis Crnković**, Russian studies; **Michael Jorgensen**, music; and **Paul Saulnier**, physics.

PHI BETA KAPPA INDUCTEES – Fifty-one students were elected to Phi Beta Kappa during ceremonies held at Gustavus in May 2006. Phi Beta Kappa is generally considered to be the most selective and prestigious of all college honor societies and election to membership one of the highest honors available to

undergraduates in the liberal arts and sciences, with fewer than one percent of college students across the nation in any given year earning membership. Elected to the College's Eta chapter (all graduating seniors unless otherwise indicated): **Megan Aageson, John Albertson, Karin Anderson** (junior), **Daniel Belgam, Erin Bettendorf** (junior), **Sara Butwinick, Emily Eddy, Samantha Engh, Krista Erdahl, Lindsay Fox, Connie Gardner, David Garfunkel, Amy Gratz, Pierce Griffin, Justin Haaheim, Jennifer Harry, Greta Haugland, Katherine Haynes, Violeta Hernandez Espinoza** (junior), **Meghan Hogdal** (junior). **Krysta Huseby, Sharon Jaffe, Audrey Joslin, Emily Kehm, Matthew Lindner, Christopher Lofgren, Amy McKeegan, Yoshi Ludwig** (junior), **Justin Paul, Kelsey Payne, Elizabeth Petersen** (junior), **Michael Phillips, Trevor Potter, Michael Purdham** (junior), **Christine Rasmussen, Alison Rethwisch**

(junior), **Megan Richards** (junior), **Dorea Ruggles, Brady Rutman, Sarah Schueffner, Daniel Sellers, Julie Severson, Rosemary Shultz, Anne Sitorius** (junior), **Anna Sorenson, Christopher Sorenson, Christopher Thorson, Linh Vu** (junior), **Michelle Weber, Matthew Whittaker**, and **Alexander Zupan** (junior).

GOLDWATER SCHOLAR NAMED – **Alex Zupan**, a junior mathematics major from Monona, Wis., has been awarded a Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship. The Goldwater Foundation sponsors the prestigious scholarships, which provide up to \$7,500 per year for educational expenses to sophomores and juniors who intend to pursue research careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering. Around 300 are awarded annually across the nation.

RETURN TRIP TO IOA – **Andrea Cartile**, a junior from Chatham,

Students elected to Phi Beta Kappa in the spring of 2006 were recognized by Interim Dean Eric Eliason (far left) at the Honors Day convocation in May.



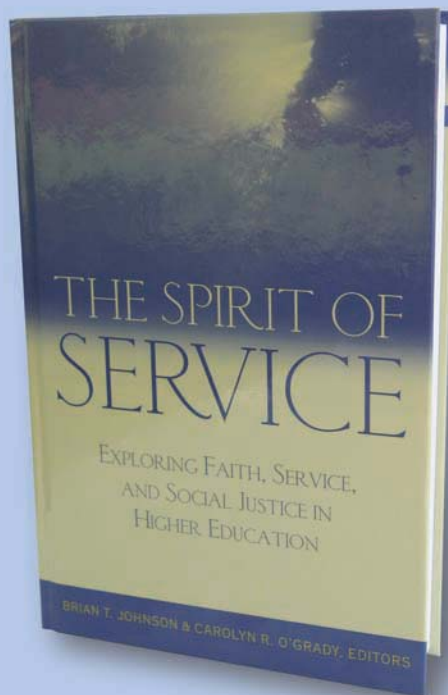
Steve Waldhauser '70



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Ill., made it to the semi-final round of the 134th Interstate Oratorical Association National Contest held at the University of West Florida, Pensacola, in April. This is the second consecutive year that Carlile qualified for the IOA's prestigious national contest, which is the oldest annual intercollegiate competition in North America. Each state may qualify only two representatives for the contest, and Gustavus had not qualified a speaker in more than 20 years before Carlile first qualified last year. She has also served a term as the at-large student representative on the Pi Kappa Delta Forensics Honorary National Council.

NEW BOARD MEMBERS SEATED – Five new members were seated when the Gustavus Adolphus College Board of Trustees met in June 2006. The board made **Jason Sawyer '93**, Plymouth, Minn., vice president for Sales at Cronin & Co. of Minneapolis and past president of the Gustavus Alumni Association, an ex officio member. Also joining the board were **Ardena Flippen '68**, Chicago, corporate compliance officer for Provident Hospital of Cook County; the Rev. **Paul L. Harrington**, Rosemount, Minn., senior pastor at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church in Apple Valley; **Ronald A. Jones**, North Barrington, Ill., retired partner and consultant for Hewitt and Associates of Lincolnshire, Ill., and parent of a Gustavus graduate, Mark Jones '00; and **Chia Youyee Vang '94**, Minneapolis, president and CEO of CHIA Consulting, Inc., in St. Paul.



Chaplain **Brian Johnson '80** and education professor **Carolyn O'Grady** have collaborated to edit *The Spirit of Service*. The book represents a conversation in progress—an attempt to understand how to help undergraduates integrate service and spirituality in their education for the purpose of social justice. The essays selected for inclusion—all written by Gustavus faculty, staff, or alumni—reflect upon the divide within academic culture between responsible, rigorous, intellectual competence and those facets of human experience relating to faith, spirituality, service, and commitment to social justice and in some cases sharply differ on what role, if any, service-learning, social justice, and faith should play in guiding work in higher education. Several contributors give candid accounts of their own teaching experiences, sharing the importance of connecting learning to life.

Brian T. Johnson and Carolyn R. O'Grady, eds., *The Spirit of Service: Exploring Faith, Service, and Social Justice in Higher Education* (Bolton, Mass.: Anker Publishing Company, 2006; board cover, \$39.95)

Emerita professor **Gretchen Koehler** has published a pamphlet-sized self-help guide titled *The Little Book of Stress Management*. It is aimed at helping readers to examine their lifestyles for places where adjustments, modifications, or changes can positively affect their health. Thirty simple stress-managing exercises are introduced and described in the booklet.

Gretchen Koehler, *The Little Book of Stress Management: What You Need to Know and Do* (St. Peter, Minn.: 2006, paper, \$10.00)



The above-mentioned books are available through the Gustavus Book Mark (phone 800/847-9307, or log onto <www.bookmark.gustavus.edu>).

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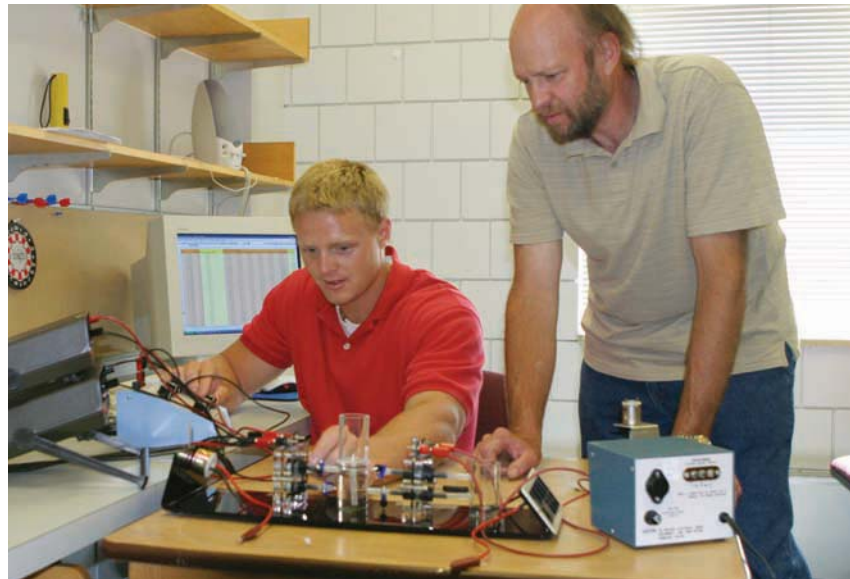
Presidential Student/Faculty Collaboration Grants

by Barbara Fister

What do wind energy, Hmong linguistics, and a ceramic art installation have in common? Each of these is a 2006 summer project funded by Presidential Student/Faculty Collaboration Grants.

This summer, physics professor Chuck Niederriter and student Jared Sieling have been studying ways that energy generated from wind power can be most effectively stored. Professor Niederriter has been involved in developing wind power for the College for several years; now he wants to explore the best ways to save up energy to use on less windy days. Sieling is happy to be involved because he's concerned about the environment—and he knows that hands-on experiences will round out his education as a future physicist.

Toshiyuki Sakuragi, associate professor of Japanese studies, has teamed with students Bao Xiong and Mai Lee Vang to explore the cognitive dynamics of linguistics by conducting field work into metaphors and classifiers used in the Hmong language. For Sakuragi, this research offers an opportunity to apply new linguistic concepts to a language that has received little attention but is undergoing dramatic change. His two student research partners not only have an opportunity to learn more about linguistics but also will be helping to understand and preserve a culture that is an important part of their identities.



Supported by a Presidential Student/Faculty Collaboration Grant, student Jared Sieling '08 (left) and physics professor Chuck Niederriter test the energy storage efficiency of a hydrogen fuel cell.

Art professor Lois Peterson and student David Goldstein are creating a ceramic tile mural out of hand-cut white clay to be mounted on the front of the choir loft of Christ Chapel. It is designed to enhance personal reflection in a contemplative piece of art. By working together, an experienced artist and a younger one will share the creative process of conception, design, and the practical problem-solving required for a major art installation.

For several years, students have learned alongside faculty in intensive projects like these. E-mail interviews conducted during the summer with two Gustavus graduates reveal they offer rich learning experiences that complement the classroom. And the faculty with whom they

worked say the learning goes both ways.

“Real Research, Real Science”

Neuroscientist Mike Ferragamo encouraged Kim McArthur '04 to dive into lab work by researching the neural representation of sounds in a particular section of frogs' brains during a 2003 summer project. At first, Kim thought the lab equipment looked as if belonged at NASA Mission Control. But she soon got comfortable enough to make progress. She admits, “There were some things about the laboratory and the procedures that I didn't really understand until my first year of graduate school, but hey! I was participating in real research, real science.” The grant allowed her to spend time daily



on the project during the summer without compromising her demanding coursework. “In the science classroom, you’re generally learning about things that have already been researched, picked apart, rearranged, and diluted down. That’s necessary in a science classroom, because science is so *big*—you can’t learn every nuance and detail, and you can’t earn each piece of knowledge for yourself. There isn’t enough time in the day, let alone in a single 50-minute class period. In an active research laboratory, you can be an explorer. *You* pick the question. *You* design the experiment. *You* make new observations and collect new data, and then *you* make the discoveries.”

McArthur not only learned technical skills but she also gained an appreciation for the scientific process that she describes as “sometimes elegant, sometimes clumsy, always satisfying.” It was good preparation for her current graduate work in neuroscience at Washington University in St. Louis. “You never really know if you’ll enjoy a given career path until you’ve experienced it first-hand, and my experience at Gustavus confirmed for me that *this* was what I wanted to do with my life.”

“Knee-Deep in Literary Criticism”

But student-faculty research is not limited to the sciences—or even to students who have chosen a particular career. Scott Newstok, assistant professor of English, admits it’s harder to create collaborative projects in the humanities than in the sciences, but he argues, “It is precisely in such fields that we find the potential for the greatest intellectual rewards.” As a faculty member



and student partner focus together on a particular issue, they both gain expertise and can engage in “surprisingly productive dialogue that resembles nothing so much as the stimulating conversations in which the best literary scholars engage.” And both participants benefit. “The student gets the opportunity to pursue graduate-level work while the professor benefits from having a deeply informed reader of work that is most often too specialized for departmental colleagues to approach. A small liberal arts college provides the ideal environment to support such conversations.”

Marissa Wold Bauck had no plans to become a Shakespeare scholar and was initially intimidated by the thought of taking a Shakespeare course required of English majors. But she found herself fascinated by the ways race featured in American readings of *Orbello*. The issues she raised in her paper turned out to

parallel questions her professor was investigating, so with a 2004 grant they teamed up to form a two-person summer seminar. They began at the Newberry Library in Chicago. “This was an incredible experience,” Bauck reports. “Who would have thought that spending beautiful summer days in a library, knee-deep in literary criticism, could be so much fun? The breadth of resources at the Newberry was astonishing; I was able to read original, centuries-old books and could find virtually any information I needed. The trip to the Newberry was the perfect way to dive in to the project.”

Thereafter, Newstok and Bauck met daily to process their thoughts, questions, frustrations, and insights. “This experience was completely different from taking a class. Students often have to do research for a term paper, as I did for the Shakespeare seminar, and while it

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David Goldstein '08 (left) is collaborating with art professor Lois Peterson on a ceramic installation for the choir loft of Christ Chapel. Molded clay parts yet to be fired are on the table before them.



Collaboration grants

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seems extensive at the time, it's nothing compared to being able to spend two straight months, often at least 40 hours a week, researching one single topic you're genuinely passionate about—it's really quite a luxury. And the more you delve into the topic, the more passionate you become!" As with McArthur, the process itself was eye-opening for Bauck. "One of the many great things about this opportunity is that you have the time to develop a thesis that is uniquely your own, and rather than dabbling in criticism about which you know hardly anything, you're able to gain some authority within those critical voices."

Taking Research Personally

McArthur and Bauck were both chosen to present their research at conferences; both collaborations have resulted in publications in scholarly journals. But collaborative research opportunities allow more personal kinds of discovery as well. "I realized that I could *do* science," says McArthur. "Sounds silly, but although I had been planning to become a neuroscientist for several years, I didn't really know if I could do it. Could I *really* come up with original questions and hypotheses? Could I *really* gather and analyze new data? Could I *really* present my results to an audience? Yes, I could, and I did. And I'm still doing it now, as a graduate student."

Bauck had a similar experience. "My research has had a huge impact on the way I view race—its portrayal in American media and entertainment, its impact on American society . . . I certainly view American history

and the sometimes explosive issue of race in a completely different way." She also discovered that research in the humanities is truly a collaborative process. "I sometimes refer to it as the best summer job I've ever had! I was able to go to the Newberry Library; I had the time to develop an idea and conduct the research necessary to do the thesis justice; I could meet regularly with a professor specializing in the area I was interested in. All these things were possible because of the grant."

McArthur agrees it is a valuable learning experience. "Even for those who aren't interested in research as a career, there's certainly an enormous satisfaction in completing an original project. In every field, research is the opportunity to participate in an ongoing global conversation, and I would encourage every student to take that opportunity." 

Barbara Fister, an academic librarian at Gustavus since 1987, also serves as a coordinator of the Faculty Development Program.

Covenant Award goes to naturalist Jim Gilbert '62

Jim Gilbert '62, who retired in 2005 as executive director of the Linnaeus Arboretum and campus naturalist at Gustavus, was honored by Gustavus Adolphus College Association of




Jonathan Kraatz

Jim Gilbert '62 accepts the 2006 Covenant Award from President Jim Peterson '64

Congregations at its convention on campus in April with the 2006 Covenant Award. The award recognizes individuals who have made distinctive contributions that strengthen the partnership between Gustavus Adolphus College and member congregations of the Association.

Consulting naturalist for WCCO radio and host of *Nature Notes*, a Sunday morning program that documents natural changes as they occur in Minnesota, Gilbert also is co-author of the Minnesota Weatherguide Calendars, writes a nature column for several local newspapers including the *StarTribune*, and has written two books on the topic of nature in Minnesota. He returned to his alma mater in 1998 after a long teaching career in the Hopkins, Minn., school district to head the arboretum and serve as campus naturalist.

Jim has been one of the most popular speakers in the Office of Church Relations' Partners in Education program for many years. He has spent many Sundays speaking with Association congregations on his perspectives on the world as a naturalist and a man of faith. He continues to teach "Interpreting the Natural Landscape" for the Environmental Studies program at Gustavus. 



'A part of the legend'

The Wind Orchestra returns to central Europe

by Al Behrends '77

Editor's Note: In January 2006, the Gustavus Wind Orchestra and Conductor Douglas Nimmo embarked upon a concert tour of selected sites in central Europe, returning to many of the churches and concert halls at which the ensemble had performed during its 1994 concert tour in the same region. Director of Fine Arts Programs Al Behrends '77 accompanied the group and provided this memoir of the trip. Text in italics is taken from journals kept by some of the student musicians.

On January 15, 2006, 24 hours after their departure from Gustavus, the members of

the Gustavus Wind Orchestra arrived in the Bavarian Lutheran Mission Center in Neuendettelsau, Germany. They were set to step into history and retrace the steps of the orchestra's ground-breaking 1994 concert tour in Germany, Poland, the Czech and Slovak Republics, Hungary, and Austria. One day later, Pastor Edmund Ratz, the Archbishop of Russia and Bishop of St. Petersburg, greeted them as they closed their opening concert in the Church of St. Gumbertus in Ansbach. The bishop (a native of the area) was very pleased that an American Lutheran college was interested in presenting a concert tour in the area and thanked the students for sharing their "extraor-

dinary gifts with the people."

On Tuesday, the group traveled east into the Czech Republic and on to Prague. A breath-taking walking tour (in terms of both the scenery and the temperature!) introduced the Gusties to St. Vitus Cathedral and Prague Castle, Franz Kafka's house, the St. Charles Bridge, St. Nicholas Church, and Prague's Old Towne Square, one of the most striking city squares in all of Europe.

The evening's concert was performed in St. Juda and Simon Church in the center of the Old Towne. The beauty of the space, the enthusiasm of the filled house, the arrival of the companion tour of parents, alumni, and friends, and great acoustics



Day One: the entire ensemble on the banks of the Tiber River in Rothenburg, Germany.



Wind orchestra tour

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helped make the concert a wonderful success. The excitement and reaction from the audience, which included one special guest invited by the wind orchestra—Dr. Erazim Kohák, former professor of philosophy at Gustavus—prompted one St. Peter native living in Prague to say that she had never seen so many smiling Czechs in one place!

From Prague, the Gustavus Wind Orchestra traveled on to southwestern Poland and the area of Bielsko-Biala. The visit and performances coincided with a week of ecumenical celebrations in the region. On Friday, the young Americans traveled to the small town of Oświęcim, better known to the world as the location of one of the most horrific examples of inhumanity in human history: the concentration camps of Auschwitz and Birkenau.

The silence among the students as we experienced this visit best describes the effect on the students. To

walk through the death chambers, alongside the crematory, barracks, the loading platform, and the endless rows of barbed and electrified wires bring the horror of that time to us. Silence and disbelief were evident on each face. It is a place we will never forget.

For the evening concert back in the city, we were welcomed by the Catholic parish of Kety for its first ecumenical project and the first time such music would be performed in this sanctuary. Our schedule allowed us to set up and rehearse in the sanctuary prior to dinner and the arrival of parishioners for the 6 p.m. Mass scheduled in the sanctuary.

As the service finished, we expected some of the nearly 400 gathered to leave, but no one moved as the priest finished the final prayers of the service. Others began to arrive as we scrambled to find additional programs for the concert. The mayor of Kety, two parish priests, and Pastor Jan Byrt, our Lutheran host, gathered to welcome us. More than 700 were gathered, filling every seat and standing wherever possible. The performance went very well and

the audience gave standing ovations after a number of selections. At the end of the concert and the encore, the parish priest asked us to stay as more speeches were delivered and more photos taken at the end of this extraordinary event in the parish. A wonderful evening came to an end as the band was invited to a reception in the parish hall to discuss the events of the day and speak with the dignitaries and other members of the audience.

Following our next evening's concert at the Lutheran church in Bielsko and special music at Sunday Mass in Sczyrk, the wind orchestra was back on the road and headed into Slovakia. Ahead was the city of Stará Turá, which had so graciously welcomed the ensemble in 1994. The warmth of the reception of food and music as we entered the parish house next to the old church more than compensated for the sub-zero temperatures outside. It was like returning home after a long absence. Many of the host families and audience members from the 1994 tour turned out with a traditional welcome of

An SRO audience heard the orchestra at its return visit to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Stará Turá. Standing at the extreme left is orchestra alumna Johanna Johnson '05, who is working with the ELCA Global Mission Service in Slovakia.





cakes, served by young women in traditional Slovak dress, and music, presented by the community's brass band. Among the welcoming delegation was Gustavus Wind Orchestra alumna and former principal oboist Johanna Johnson '05, who is serving with the ELCA's Global Mission Service in Slovakia.

At the church that evening, walking into the legend of the 1994 tour was a bit intimidating for some of the young musicians, but the dress rehearsal went well and the Gustavus Wind Orchestra was ready for the concert. As we entered the crowded sanctuary to begin the concert, the tower bells were ringing to celebrate the concert and to mourn 40 members of the Slovak army killed in an accident in the previous week. The pastor opened with prayer and asked us to stand for silence as we recognized the national day of mourning of the Slovakian people. Every seat on the main floor was taken and nearly 300 packed the balconies for an audience that the pastor estimated included over 1,100

The Gusties responded with one of the finest performances of the tour. They were rewarded with an extended and emotional ovation for their performance of Eric Ewazen's A Hymn for the Lost and the Living and David Gillingham's new work, Light of My Soul, a work based on the tune of the very familiar "Beautiful Savior." The pastor's prayers for a safe journey and a request for a quick return to Stará Turá were followed by Nearer My God to Thee, the same encore performed in 1994. More tears and a standing ovation followed this work, which is a treasure to the people of Slovakia. It is said that legends are made over time, but this group of young musicians stepped into

history as they made their way from the sanctuary, across the courtyard in the cold Siberian blast sweeping across Slovakia, to the parish hall. They may have been chilled by the weather outside, but the conditions inside the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Stará Turá could not have been warmer or more welcoming.


The ensemble traveled on to Bratislava, Slovakia's capital city. The audience, which included the Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Bratislava, Lawrence R. Silverman, and his family, and our host, Pastor Jarmila Petruľová (whose daughter had been born earlier that day), filled the sanctuary long before the ensemble made its way to the stage, and continued its applause long after the performance ended.

The group's arrival in Salzburg coincided with the celebration surrounding the 250th anniversary of the birth of the Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. After a morning concert in an area school and a visit to the famous salt mines, the Gustavus Wind Orchestra returned to the city for an afternoon and evening of festivities.

At 8 p.m., the hour of Mozart's birth, church bells in a smaller outlying town began to ring, followed by the larger bells in Salzburg. Anticipating the moment, we waited in the square for the bells of the Dom Kirche to begin. Suddenly the steeple erupted with sound, startling in intensity, beginning with the highest treble and gradually adding one bell after another until it reached the massive bass bell of the cathedral. The incredible sound continued for several minutes and could be felt as well as heard. We giggled with the knowledge that we, as American musicians, were privi-



leged to be in that city at that moment for the celebration of our lifetimes. The celebration for the city's favorite son had officially begun and we were part of it.

With one final concert in Heidelberg, the band's adventure would be complete and the preparations would begin for the return to the States. As we looked back over the previous 18 days, it would be difficult to point to one spectacular moment that defined the tour. Each member of the ensemble would have a special moment or an experience or new acquaintance. Each would find a personal change in some wonderful way. We had been promised an unforgettable experience of performance and travel in central Europe and people had delivered. After 12 years of the tales of the tour of 1994, the Gustavus Wind Orchestra was ready to add new chapters to the story. That tour had become a legend in the long history of the ensemble. As one of the members declared after the concert in Stará Turá, "Now we are a part of the legend." 

Al Behrends '77 is in his 30th year with the College and is director of fine arts programs and tour manager of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra and the Gustavus Jazz Lab Band.

In Bratislava with Deputy Chief of Mission Larry Silverman of the U.S. Embassy, Slovakia: from left, Al Behrends '77, director of fine arts programs and tour manager; David Fienen, chair of the Gustavus Department of Music and featured organist for the tour; Douglas Nimmo, professor of music and conductor of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra; Silverman; and Tom Emmert, professor of history and leader of the companion tour for parents, alumni, and friends.



Hillstrom Museum of Art features exhibitions of photography, works from permanent collection

by Donald Myers '83

From September 11 to November 5, the Hillstrom Museum of Art is hosting the exhibition *Architecture of Silence: Cistercian Abbeys of France* (Photography by David Heald), which features works by the nationally known Heald, chief photographer at the Guggenheim Museum in New York. Heald spent a decade photographing medieval Cistercian abbeys in

France, and the resulting large-format, gelatin silver prints that are the basis of the exhibition were described by critic Martin Filler, writing in the *New York Times*, as “hauntingly beautiful.”

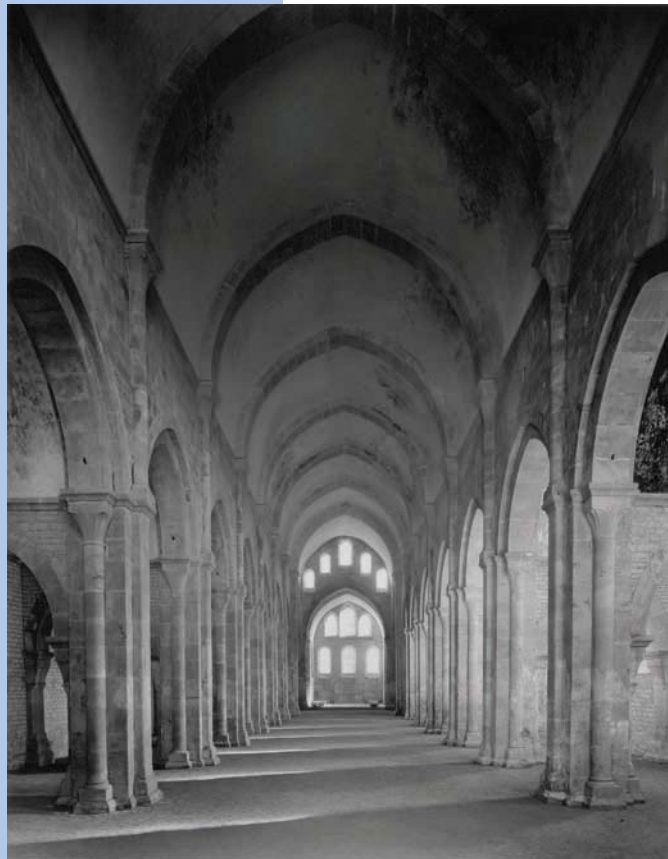
The images have a hushed, spiritual quality that is in keeping with the architectural monuments of the Cistercian monastic order, which rose to prominence under St. Bernard of Clairvaux (1090–1153). Bernard was adamant in his proscription of extraneous ornamentation and decoration in churches and monasteries, which he felt distracted the monks and other worshippers from meditating on God. Bernard’s artistic dictum, “no decoration, only proportion,” summarizes the austere beauty of both the Cistercian structures and David Heald’s photographs of them. Heald’s *Nave Looking East, Fontenay*, for instance, shows the severe but pleasing, regular progression of unornamented columns and arches down the nave of the abbey church in Fontenay, in central France.

Architecture of Silence was shown earlier at the Cleveland Museum of Art and is accompanied by a publication of the same name, a book that was chosen by the *New York Times Book Review* as one of the best architecture books for the year 2000. The exhibition was organized and is circulated by Exhibitions International, NY. Its appearance

at the Hillstrom Museum of Art is supported by a generous grant from the Carl and Verna Schmidt Foundation.

In conjunction with this exhibit, the Museum will sponsor a lecture by Toby Jurovics, curator of photography at the Smithsonian American Art Museum. Jurovics, who was formerly a photography curator at the Princeton University Art Museum, will present a lecture titled “Landscape and Place in Contemporary Photography.” The lecture is free and open to the public, and will be held in Wallenberg Auditorium of the Nobel Hall of Science on Sunday, September 24, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

On view concurrently with the *Architecture of Silence* exhibition will be *Highlights and Recent Acquisitions of the Hillstrom Museum of Art*, featuring numerous works donated to or purchased by the Museum within the last year or so, as well as several works that were already in the collection. Among the donations is a 1961 oil painting titled *Antiques, Route 9-W*, by Louis Bouché (1896–1969), given by his daughter Jane Bouché Strong through Kraushaar Galleries, Inc., of New York. Bouché is considered a painter of the “American Scene,” a term that derives from the title of a 1907 collection of essays by author and analyst of American life Henry James (1843–1916). As applied to the visual arts,



David Heald, *Nave Looking East, Fontenay, 1990*; included in the exhibition *Architecture of Silence: Cistercian Abbeys of France*.



“American Scene” refers to artists who attempt to find what is “American” in life and art, often in opposition to European artistic tendencies such as abstraction. *Antiques, Route 9-W* plays with the viewer’s conceptions of art, and what might first be seen as the park of a classical Roman villa is soon recognized as the grounds of an antique store in the American countryside.

Bouché’s one-time studio mate Alexander Brook (1898–1980) is the artist of a 1942 lithograph titled *In the Studio*, a gift from friends of the Rev. Richard L. Hillstrom ’38 in honor of his retirement from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. That print is the second work by Brook in the collection, and both will be shown in the exhibition with works by Brook’s one-time wife, artist Peggy Bacon (1895–1987). *In the Studio* is an image of Bacon at rest during a session of posing for her husband, who frequently used her as a model in his works.

Other donations on view include *The Offering*, a 1934 lithograph by French-born artist Jean Charlot (1898–1979), donated by Gene and Ann (Komatcz ’51) Basset; an undated drawing, *Nude Woman*, by Swedish-American artist Elov Wedin (1901–1983), donated by Gloria Kittleson in honor of the Rev. Richard L. Hillstrom; and a large watercolor titled *Lone Bulb*, 1988, by Catherine Davis Means ’74. Means, who has achieved a high level of recognition in her significant career as an artist, has been represented by the Gallery Hensch in New York, and the donation came from gallery director George Hensch and his wife, Nancy Hicks. (Hicks’ brother George Hicks ’75, who helped arrange

the donation, is a member of the Gustavus board.)

Dr. David and Kathryn (Rydland ’71) Gilbertson donated funds toward the purchase of artworks, among them the 1939 lithograph *Midnight Alarm* by Regionalist artist Grant Wood (1892–1942), also on view. The Gilbertsons, along with Hillstrom, were the donors of funds to purchase four hand-colored prints by Wood, as reported in the Summer 2005 issue of the *Quarterly*. The Gilbertsons have also promised as future gifts to the Museum two additional Wood lithographs, his first print, the 1937 *Tree Planting Group*, and his penultimate print, the 1941 *December Afternoon*. The Museum plans eventually to acquire examples of all nineteen of Wood’s prints.


A recent purchase by the Museum, of Wood’s *Sultry Night* (1937), is part of this effort. This lithograph was printed in a much smaller edition than most of Wood’s prints. American Associated Artists (AAA), the group responsible for commissioning and distributing prints by Wood and many other artists of his era, often shipped artworks through the mail. *Sultry Night*, which depicts a nude farmer washing his tanned body with water from a trough, was deemed by the U. S. Postal Service to be obscene, and AAA was warned that the print could not legally be mailed, so the edition was curtailed.

One of the works from the collection being highlighted in the exhibition is an ink and wash drawing by social artist and political cartoonist William Gropper (1897–1977), titled *The Wanderer*. The drawing, given to the Museum by Hillstrom in 2003, is the subject of another of



Louis Bouché
(1896–1969), *Antiques, Route 9-W, 1961*, oil on canvas, 26-1/4 x 22 inches, gift of the artist’s daughter, Jane Bouché Strong.

the Museum’s recurring FOCUS IN/ON exhibits, which engage the expertise of campus members across the curriculum in collaborative projects to consider a particular work from the collection in depth. Elizabeth Baer, professor of English, whose research and teaching focus on Holocaust and genocide studies (with special emphasis on gender and genocide) and memorialization and representation of the Holocaust, will co-author with the Museum director an extended didactic exhibition text for *The Wanderer*.

Both *Architecture of Silence* and *Highlights and Recent Acquisitions of the Hillstrom Museum of Art* will be on view from September 11 through November 5, 2006, with an opening reception during the Nobel Conference on October 3, 2006, 6–8 p.m. 

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Calendar

A cornucopia of delights

August

24–Sept. 4

Gustavus at the Fair: College booth in the Education Building at the Minnesota State Fair, staffed 9 a.m.–9 p.m. Wear your Gustie gear to the Fair and stop by our booth!

September

6 **Opening Convocation** of 145th academic year, Christ Chapel, 10 a.m.

11 **Gustavus Library Associates' Membership Tea**, hosted by Jim and Susan Peterson '64 '65, Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library, 10 a.m. Open to the public without charge.

11–Nov. 5

Artist Series: **Architecture of Silence: Cistercian Abbeys of France**, photography by David Heald, Hillstrom Museum of Art. Open to the public without charge; regular museum hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon.–Fri.; 1–5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. Nobel Conference reception: Oct. 3, 6–8 p.m.

11–Nov. 5

Art Exhibition: **Recent Acquisitions of the Hillstrom Museum of Art**. Open to the public without charge; regular museum hours and reception listed above.

13 **Gustavus Heritage Partnership Luncheon**, C. Charles Jackson Campus Center banquet rooms; 11:30 a.m. By invitation; for more information, contact the Office of Gift Planning (800/726-6192).

30 **Athletics Hall of Fame Banquet and Induction**,

Alumni Hall, 6 p.m. Reservations required; see information in Alumni section or contact the Office of Alumni Relations (800/487-8437).

October

3–4 **Nobel Conference® 42: "Medicine: Prescription for Tomorrow,"** Lund Arena, opening at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday. For ticket information, contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520), see registration form inserted in this magazine, or visit the Nobel Conference website (www.gustavus.edu/nobelconference/).

3 **Music: Nobel Conference Concert: "Physicians, Healers, Quacks, and Madmen,"** featuring the Gustavus Symphony Orchestra, Warren Friesen, conductor, Christ Chapel, 8 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

6–8 **Homecoming and Family Weekend:** Receptions and dinners for anniversary classes in Mankato and the Twin Cities on Friday evening; reunion events on campus on Saturday (see schedule in Alumni section). Family Weekend concerts on Oct. 8, 1:30 p.m. Contact the Office of Alumni Relations (800/487-8437 or www.gustavus.edu/alumni/).

7 **Artist Series: Neal & Leandra, "At Home Again,"** Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

13 **Artist Series: "The Music of Japan: The Past into the Future,"** featuring voice, piano, and bamboo flute, Jussi

Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

14 **Founders Society Luncheon**, C. Charles Jackson Campus Center banquet rooms; 11:30 a.m. By invitation; for more information, contact the Office of Gift Planning (800/726-6192).

November

3 **Music: Gustavus Symphony and Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestras**, Warren Friesen, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

4 **Our Story Conference**, sponsored by the Pan African Student Organization, Alumni Hall, 10 a.m. Registration required; contact the Diversity Center (507/933-7449).

4 **Artist Series: Tonic Sol-Fa in Concert**, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).
9, 10, 11, & 12

Theater: **An Experiment with an Air Pump**, by Shelagh Stevenson, directed by Rob Gardner, Anderson Theatre, 8 p.m. (Nov. 9, 10, & 11) and 2 p.m. (Nov. 12). Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

10 **Music: Gustavus and Vasa Wind Orchestras Fall Concert**, Douglas Nimmo, conductor, Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

10–Jan. 21, 2007

Artist Series: **Aerial Images: Recent Paintings by Bruce McClain**, Hillstrom Museum of Art. Open to the public with-

Please Note: Times and dates of the events listed on this page are subject to change. Please call to confirm events of interest.



Additional
schedules,
information
and updates

Sports

Up-to-date **sports schedules** may be found on the World Wide Web, through the Gustavus homepage (www.gustavus.edu). For a printed schedule of any or all of the Gustie varsity athletic squads, download from the Web or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Tim Kennedy '82, sports information director, Gustavus Adolphus College, 800 W. College Ave., St. Peter, MN 56082-1498. Also, you can listen to selected Gustavus athletics broadcasts over the Internet through RealAudio! Broadcasts may be accessed through a link on Gustavus athletics website, where a broadcast schedule may also be found.

The Arts

To receive a more complete **fine arts schedule** or more information on fine arts events noted in the calendar, contact Al Behrends '77, director of fine arts programs, by phone (507/933-7363) or e-mail (al@gustavus.edu). Tickets for theatre and dance performances are available two weeks in advance of the performance through the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).



Grant Wood (1892–1942), *Midnight Alarm, 1939, lithograph, 11-7/8 x 7 inches (image), gift of Dr. David and Kathryn (Rydland '71) Gilbertson, on view September 11–November 5 as part of the Recent Acquisitions of the Hillstrom Museum of Art exhibition.*

December

- out charge; regular museum hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon.–Fri.; 1–5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. Opening reception: Nov. 10, 7–9 p.m.
- 11 Music: **Gustavus and Adolphus Jazz Ensembles**, Steve Wright, director, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
 - 12 Music: **Gustavus Woodwind Ensembles**, Ann Pesavento, director, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
 - 19 Music: **F. Melius Christensen 135th Anniversary Festival Concert**, featuring five Minnesota Lutheran college choirs including the Gustavus Choir, Orchestra Hall, Minneapolis, 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. For ticket information and reservations, call the Orchestra Hall box office (800/292-4141).
 - 19 Music: **Gustavus Percussion Ensembles**, Bob Adney and Paul Hill, directors, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
 - 20–21 Lecture: **Esther Sternberg, M.D.**, chief of Section on Neuroendocrine Immunology and Behavior, National Institute of Mental Health, and author of *The Balance Within: The Science of Connecting Health and Emotions*, Alumni Hall, 7 p.m. (Nov. 20), Jackson Campus Center Heritage Room, 7 p.m. (Nov. 21). Open to the public without charge.
- 1, 2, & 3 **Christmas in Christ Chapel:** "An American Odyssey," Christ Chapel, 3:30 p.m. (Dec. 2 & 3 only) and 7:30 p.m. Ticket required; see registration form inserted in this magazine, or contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520).
 - 7 **Festival of Saint Lucia**, Christ Chapel, 10 a.m. Lucia Luncheon sponsored by Gustavus Library Associates, featuring storyteller and children's author Lise Lunge-Larson, Alumni Hall, 11 a.m. Reservations required for luncheon; contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520).
 - 8 Artist Series: **Michael Johnson in Concert**, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 8 p.m. ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).
 - 9 Music: **Vocal Jazz and Chamber Singers**, Gregory Aune, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
 - 10 Music: **BRASSWORKS!** Scott Moore, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
 - 10 Music: **St. Ansgar's Chorus and Birgitta Singers**, Gregory Aune and Travis Sletta, conductors, Christ Chapel, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.



'A hot time in the old gown . . . !'

Seniors beat the heat at Commencement 2006

The third-largest graduating class in the history of Gustavus Adolphus College—596 students—was thankful for little things on Sunday, May 28: a short program, lightweight gowns, and the alacrity of Interim Dean of the Faculty Mariangela Maguire and Dean of Students Hank Toutain in announcing names as the class traversed the stage under a baking sun on a 90+ degree day. Physics professor Paul Saulnier was announced as the 2006 recipient of the Edgar Carlson Award for Distinguished Teaching, Matt Forbes '06 delivered the senior address, and nearly 600 new alumni celebrated their graduation. Scenes from the day fill the next few pages.







Top left: Matt Forbes '06, Bloomington, Minn., was selected to speak for his class during the commencement exercises.

Right: Faculty Marshal Judy Gardner leads the academic procession onto Hollingsworth Field.





Whither the Class of 2006?

A quick survey of the Class of 2006 conducted on the day before their commencement revealed that over 62 percent were already “permanently situated” (i.e., employed full-time, continuing their education, in the military, or involved in volunteer or service organizations), with 140 employed in career positions and another 113 accepted to graduate or professional school programs.

Among the employers hiring 2006 graduates:

Abbott-Northwestern Hospital	Larson Allen
Benfield Group	Macy’s
Corporate Executive Board	Mayo Clinic
Courage Center	Merck
Deloitte & Touche	Minnesota Vikings
Fairview University Hospital	Office of the Minnesota State Auditor
Federated Insurance	St. Paul Travelers
Gillette Healthcare	South Metro Human Services
Global Marketing Ventures	Thrivent Financial
Health East Care System	United Healthcare
Hennepin County Multicultural Services	U.S. Department of Veterans’ Affairs
Kimberly-Clark Corp.	Wells Fargo

Selected Service Positions:

Admission Possible
 Americorps
 Lutheran Volunteer Corps
 ELCA Global Missions
 Minnesota Conservations Corps
 Teach for America

Among the Graduate Schools:

University of Alaska
 University of the Americas
 University of Arizona
 University of California, Berkeley
 California State University, Fullerton
 Case Western Reserve University
 University of Colorado at Boulder
 George Washington University
 University of Illinois
 Indiana University–Bloomington
 Luther Seminary
 Marquette University
 University of Massachusetts–Boston
 Michigan State University
 University of Minnesota
 Pennsylvania State University
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
 University of Missouri–Rolla
 University of North Carolina–Chapel Hill
 Oregon State University
 San Francisco State University
 University of Wales
 University of Washington
 Washington University, St. Louis
 University of Wisconsin
 Yale Divinity School

GREATER GUSTAVUS AWARD GOES TO GUSTAVUS LIBRARY ASSOCIATES

In the mid-1970s, Gustavus Adolphus College was seeking to improve its standing through recognition from Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most prestigious academic honor society. But the Gustavus library's resource collection was a sticking point, cited as falling short of the society's standards. The 1970s had not been kind to college and university libraries in general, with support falling off due to both inflation and

budget retrenchment. Gustavus needed a new idea to boost its library's resources—not just a temporary infusion of cash but a long-term commitment to funding.

Into the picture stepped Patricia Lindell, wife of the College's newly arrived 11th president, Edward Lindell. She had an idea for a friends-of-the-library group that would reach beyond even the College's strong alumni base. And she had a "modest" goal of raising \$1 million for library



The 2006 GLA board sat long enough for a photo at its summer planning meeting at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in June.


holdings. To get started, she enlisted the help of Rhoda Lund, a former Republican National Committee member who had the prestige, connections, and organizational skills to make things happen. Gustavus Library Associates (GLA) was born in 1977. Lindell, Lund, and a dedicated team of College staff met with the St. Peter community and friends in the Twin Cities and criss-crossed the state for coffee parties, style shows, and membership teas that raised awareness for the importance of a strong College library.

At a banquet on the Gustavus campus in May 2006, nearly 30 years later, founder Patty Lindell and current GLA president Sandy Williamson accepted the Gustavus Alumni Association's highest award, the Greater Gustavus Award, for "having notably advanced and aided Gustavus Adolphus College." GLA today boasts an active membership of nearly 400 and has raised in excess of \$2.5 million for books, other resources, and a student-research scholarship program. The group has won a number of national awards for excellence in programming and fundraising, including recognition from Friends of Libraries U.S.A. (FOLUSA) and three John Cotton Dana awards, and has earned a national reputation as a model for successful volunteer involvement and support in education. Even those not familiar with the aforementioned achievements will likely be aware of



GLA co-founder Patty Lindell (left) and current president Sandy Williamson, who accepted the award for their colleagues past and present at the Alumni Banquet in May.

their immensely successful galas—15 "Royal Affairs" have been staged by GLA in the past 29 years, all providing visibility and financial support for the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library.

"It has been an amazing journey," Lindell noted in accepting the Greater Gustavus Award. "All of us who are or have been a part of this had our lives enriched by working for something we cared for and believed in, and in so doing we made new and lasting friendships. And, we made the College greater than it otherwise ever could have been." 

Upcoming Gustavus Library Associates Events

Membership Tea

September 11, 2006

Fall Author Day

Date to be announced,
check at www.gustavus.edu/gla/.

Festival of St. Lucia Luncheon

with guest Lise Lunge-Larson
December 7, 2006

Easter Bunny Breakfast

March 23, 2007

A Royal Affair

November 10, 2007



Photos by Steve Waldhauser '70

Gathering all 40 Apprentices of Christ Chapel in one place at one time may require a miracle, but about half showed up for this photo.

Chapel Apprentices

The 'eyes and ears' of the Christ Chapel

by Sara Baer '08

"I love being in the chapel. It's a comforting, spiritually fulfilling place for me," says Dorea Ruggles '06. A number of students who feel this type of connection with Christ Chapel have had the opportunity to be more involved in chapel life through "Apprenticeship of Christ Chapel," a unique program that helps to mentor students and aid them in the discovery and cultivation of their faith.

Chaplain Brian Johnson '80 developed the idea for the apprentice program after attending a meeting of professionals to discuss vocational calling. Among the concerns of the participants were the need for a long-term program that would teach knowledge not taught in traditional institutions and the

critical importance of mentor-student relationships. After meeting with several students who had expressed anxiety about discovering their calling and incorporating reflection into their worship routines, the Office of the Chaplains decided an apprenticeship program might help to incorporate peer ministry and faith discussions into campus life.

Chaplain Johnson describes apprenticeship as a means to learn and practice "matters of professional ethics, commitment to the common good, enculturation into a network of professionals, and space to consider the relationship with the infinite." He likens the apprentice program with the early Christian community formed by Jesus' dis-

ciples. Although many colleges have peer ministry programs, Gustavus Adolphus College is the only college to have a program that incorporates the idea of apprenticeship with peer ministry.

Gustavus alumna Barbara Nordstrom Hanson '60 and her husband, John, donated money to the chapel endowment fund to help start the program. Barbara Hanson explains that her reasons for supporting the program were “strengthening the influence of the church on student life at Gustavus as well as the growth of the faith life of Gustavus students.”

The program started in 1996 with two apprentices, Callista Brown Isabelle '00 and Brent Voight '00. As a first-year student, Isabelle was interested in ministry opportunities. “My experiences as an apprentice solidified and affirmed my interest in the seminary,” states Isabelle. Isabelle went on to attend Yale Divinity School and returned to Gustavus to serve as vicar in 2005–06.

The chapel apprentice program teaches students to integrate their faith with other interests and passions. They have the opportunity to learn leadership and coordination skills by participating in service opportunities and group discussions. The apprenticeship program also serves as a support network for involved students. Their discussions are an outlet for students to explore how faith affects their vocation and life goals.

During the 2005–06 academic year, 40 students participated in the four-year program. The participants were a diverse group of students coming from different religious denominations who specialized in a variety of academic areas.

Students are encouraged to explore new ways of thinking about faith issues and be receptive to new ideas. The relationship between the apprentices and the chapel is reciprocal. “The apprentices serve as the eyes and ears of the chapel,” Isabelle explains. “The Chaplains’ Office explores new routes based on the observations of the apprentices.”

Apprentices participate in monthly meetings where they discuss issues related to the church and make observations based on what they see and hear around campus. These meetings allow students to diagnose problems and brainstorm solutions, or share concerns and hopes about faith issues and the chapel. The apprentices also take part in a series of themed retreats. In the past, these themes have included the Sabbath, social justice, and cleanness. The students are involved in different activities depending on the theme of the retreat. For example, during the Sabbath retreat, the apprentices practiced relaxation techniques.

Although all apprentices are active participants in the chapel, the goal of the program is not to train students for roles in the clergy. Chaplain Johnson stresses that the program is not intended to teach specific skills, but to encourage students to develop other interests and passions, while combining these interests with their roles in the chapel. He points to Dorea Ruggles, who graduated in May 2006 with a physics major, as a great example. Ruggles conducted an independent study of chapel acoustics, which allowed her to combine her interest in acoustical science with her commitment to the chapel. She says that participation in the apprentice program

helped her gain organizational and communication skills. The most enjoyable aspects of the program for her were working with chapel staff and participating in the retreats. Says Ruggles, “The retreats allow you to take time out of your schedule in intentional ways.”

Eric Boyum, a biochemistry and molecular biology major who graduated with Ruggles in May, joined the program as a sophomore because he wanted a chance to participate more actively in the chapel. His experience as an apprentice influenced him to express his faith through volunteering. He was a Collegiate Fellow and was also involved in community service projects, including Pound Pals and Study Buddies. What he appreciated most about being an apprentice was the flexibility of the activities. “There is no fixed program,” says Boyum. “Everyone’s experience as an apprentice is unique, just like that person.”

Luke Royer is a religion major who joined the program as a sophomore. Now entering his senior year, he is a student employee in the Office of the Chaplains and is involved in Gustavus Youth Outreach, Proclaim, Men’s Christian Fellowship, Big Partner/Little Partner, and Chapel Volunteers. Royer organized a concert last December that raised over \$7,000 for Lutheran World Relief, an organization dedicated to fighting poverty. After graduation he plans on going on to seminary. Royer joined the apprentice program to become more involved in the chapel and faith life at Gustavus. He states that this program “is welcoming to anybody, regardless of their background.” He believes that the program is a great way for students to debate important issues that are usually reserved for administrators. Debates allow students to feel more connected to the campus, hear and express opinions, and promote change.

The apprentice program offers a hands-on approach to learning by providing students with opportunities to interact with others and discuss faith issues. Students learn to incorporate faith with their other interests and skills, and reflect on how faith influences other aspects of their lives.

Sara Baer '08, an international management major from Hamel, Minn., is starting her third year as a student employee in the Office of College Relations.

Apprentices meet regularly—individually and in groups—with chaplains’ office staff. From left are Dorea Ruggles '06, Pastoral Associate Kari Lipke '98, Jonathan D. Carlson '06, Chaplain Rachel Larson, Ben Richter '07, Angie Rosenow '07, and Vicar Callista Brown Isabelle '00 (who was herself an apprentice during her student days).





Sports notes



Above, the 2006 MIAC champion men's tennis team.

Below, the women's tennis team, also 2006 MIAC champions.



Tennis teams post top national finishes

The Gustavus men's team wrapped up a very successful season with a third-place finish at the NCAA men's championships, while the women posted a fifth-place finish at the national women's tournament.

The men's team advanced through the NCAA regional with convincing wins over Coe (7-0) and Carthage (7-0). At the NCAA tournament, Coach Steve Wilkinson's squad topped Swarthmore 4-0 in the quarterfinals, but then lost to Middlebury 4-0 in the semifinals before defeating Williams 4-3 in the third-place match. The Gusties finished the season with a record of 35-5.

The women's team opened NCAA tournament play with a convincing 5-0 win over Wheaton in the second round, but then bowed out with a 5-1 loss to eventual national champion Emory in the quarterfinals. Coach Jon Carlson's squad finished the year with a mark of 28-5. **G**

Harren and Kroog are 2005–06 Athletes of the Year

Hailey Harren, a junior cross country runner from Cold Spring, Minn., and Bobby Kroog, a senior soccer player from Bloomington, Minn., are the sixth annual recipients of the Gustavus Athlete of the Year awards. They will be honored at the Gustavus Athletics Hall of Fame Banquet on Saturday, September 30, in Alumni Hall on the Gustavus campus.

Harren became the second Gustie women's cross country runner to capture the national individual title when she placed first at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships last November. She finished first in six of the seven races she entered last fall, bringing home All-MIAC, All-Central Region, and All-America honors. Harren's only non-win was a runner-up finish in the University of Minnesota's Roy Griak Invitational, which boasted a field of 327 runners in the Division III race. Harren was named MIAC Runner of the Year, as well as the Honda National Division III Runner of the Year. She was recently named a First Team CoSIDA/ESPN *The Magazine* Academic All-American.



Hailey Harren

Kroog, the central midfielder on the soccer team, led the Gusties in scoring with 14 goals and 3 assists for 31 points. He was co-captain and catalyst of a team that posted a record of 17–3–5 overall and advanced to the national championship match of the NCAA tournament before falling to defending national champion Messiah College 1–0. The Gusties were co-champions of the MIAC with a mark of 7–1–2. A four-year



Bobby Kroog

starter and three-time all-conference selection, Kroog was named the 2006 MIAC Player of the Year. He also received First Team All-Region and Third Team All-America honors. Kroog finished his career as the fifth-leading scorer in the program's history with 36 goals and 8 assists for 80 points.

Harren and Kroog were selected from a group of 22 candidates (9 men and 13 women). To be candidates for the Gustavus Athlete of the Year, student-athletes had to have been selected one of nine Athletes of the Month during the school year or put on the ballot by their head coach as a result of being selected their team's most valuable player. The winners are selected by a vote of the Gustavus head coaches.

The 13 finalists for the Gustavus Female Athlete of the Year were: **Lisa Brown**, Lake Crystal, Minn. (first year, outdoor track and field); **Chandra Daw**, Duluth, Minn. (senior, nordic skiing); **Joyce DeWitz**, Good Thunder, Minn. (junior, softball); **Kelli Groff**, Bloomington, Minn. (senior, golf); **Hailey Harren**, Cold Spring, Minn. (junior, cross country); **Lauren Hom**, Stevens Point, Wis. (junior, tennis); **Tara Houlihan**, Sioux Falls, S.D. (senior, tennis); **Kourtney Joyce**, Wadena, Minn. (senior, cross country and track and field); **Audrey Lenocho**, Pine Island, Minn. (senior, softball); **Marla Menne**, White Bear Lake, Minn. (senior, tennis); **Bri Monahan**, Hutchinson, Minn. (junior, basketball); **Lyndsey Palen**, Rochester, Minn. (senior, tennis); and **Andrea Peterson**, Vadnais Heights, Minn. (junior, ice hockey).

The 9 finalists for Gustavus Male Athlete of the Year were: **Caleb Bousu**, Burnsville, Minn. (senior, soccer); **Loren Collins**, Dallas, Texas (senior, tennis); **Ben Hanson**, Minnetonka, Minn. (sophomore, swimming); **Jered Hokenson**, Watertown, Minn. (junior, track and field); **Jon Keseley**, St. Louis Park, Minn. (junior, ice hockey); **Tony Konicek**, Rochester, Minn. (junior, baseball); **Bobby Kroog**, Bloomington, Minn. (senior, soccer); **Tanner Miest**, New London, Minn. (junior, track and field); and **Erich Ziegler**, Crystal Falls, Mich. (senior, nordic skiing). 

by Tim Kennedy '82

Baseball – Coach Mike Carroll's squad finished third in the MIAC with a league mark of 14–6 and qualified for the MIAC playoffs for the second consecutive year. The team just missed the school record for wins in a season, finishing with an overall mark of 28–12. Tony Konicek (jr., Rochester, Minn.), Aaron Madson (sr., North Mankato, Minn.), Josh Spitzack (sr., West Concord, Minn.), and Shea RoehrKasse (soph., Jackson Hole, Wyo.) were named to the all-conference team.

Softball – First-year head coach Jeff Annis wasted no time in directing the Gusties toward the top of MIAC as his squad finished second in the MIAC standings with a mark of 19–3. The team also set a school record for wins in a season, posting an overall record of 31–9. The Gusties lost in the MIAC playoff championship game to St. Thomas and just missed receiving an NCAA tournament bid. Audrey Lenocho (jr., Pine Island, Minn.), Joyce DeWitz (jr., Good Thunder, Minn.), Julie Mahre (soph., Lino Lakes, Minn.), and Rachael Click (fy., Rochester, Minn.) were named to the all-conference team. Click was also named MIAC Rookie of the Year.

Men's Golf – The Gusties earned their 22nd consecutive bid to the NCAA championships and posted a 14th-place finish. Coach Scott Moe's played well all spring, winning the team title at its own Bobby Krig Invitational and finishing second at the Buena Vista Invitational. Jon Hagedorn (sr., Blue Earth, Minn.) and Erik Tone (jr., Willmar, Minn.) were named All-America scholars by the Golf Coaches Association of America.

Women's Golf – The Gusties recorded their finest spring season in the history of the program, posting a second-

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place finish at the NCAA championships along with winning the Wartburg Invitational and the Minnesota Women's Collegiate Golf Association State Tournament. Kelli Groff (sr., Bloomington, Minn.), Kimbra Kosak (fy., Grand Rapids, Minn.), and Breanne Staples (jr., Windom, Minn.) were named All-America Scholars by the National Collegiate Golf Association.

Men's Tennis – Coach Steve Wilkinson's squad won its 18th consecutive MIAC title and went on to finish third at the NCAA championships. The Gusties finished with an overall record of 35–5 and lost only one match to a Division III opponent all season.

Women's Tennis – The Gusties won their 15th consecutive MIAC title and finished fifth at the NCAA championships. Coach Jon Carlson's squad finished 28–5 overall and 10–0 in the MIAC.

Men's Track and Field – Coach Tom Thorkelson's squad peaked at the MIAC outdoor championships, placing third out of 11 teams with a total of 102 points. Tanner Miest (jr., New London, Minn.) and Andy Klaers (soph., Delano, Minn.) qualified for the NCAA championships. Miest placed 8th in the 110-meter high hurdles and Klaers finished 11th in the discus.

Women's Track and Field – The Gusties posted a strong second-place finish at MIAC outdoor championships and then went on to finish 19th at the NCAA championships. At the MIAC meet, Kourtney Joyce (sr., Wadena, Minn.) won the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a meet record time of 10:52.87, and Lisa Brown (fy., Lake Crystal, Minn.) won the javelin. At the NCAA meet, Joyce finished ninth in the steeplechase, Brown won the national championship in the javelin, and Ashley Cronen (jr., Kandiyohi, Minn.) place fifth in the 800 meters.

Houlihan, Palen win NCAA doubles title

The Gustavus women's tennis doubles team of Tara Houlihan (Sioux Falls, S.D.) and Lyndsey Palen (Rochester, Minn.) successfully defended their Division III doubles crown with a 5–7, 6–3, 6–4 win over DePauw's Liz Bondi and Amrita Padda at the 2006 NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Championships in Santa Cruz, California.



Tara Houlihan



Lyndsey Palen

Houlihan and Palen finished the year with a mark of 26–1. The duo posted a record of 46–5 over the past two seasons.

Houlihan and Palen are only the fifth doubles tandem to claim back-to-back national titles in the 25-year history of the Division III championships. Gustavus is now one of six schools with two Division III doubles titles.

Sherer, Bryan named NCAA postgraduate Scholars

Gustavus student athletes Roy Bryan (tennis) and Ben Sherer (baseball) have been selected to receive NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships for the spring sport season. Sherer and Bryan were the only male student-athletes from a Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference institution selected to receive the \$7,500 award this past spring.



Roy Bryan

Over the last three years, Gustavus ranks fourth in the nation (tied with Carleton with eight honorees) for the most postgraduate scholars among all NCAA schools (Division I, II, and III). Emory and Stanford have the most postgraduate scholars with 15 each, while Missouri has had 10 recipients. Bryan and Sherer are the 17th and 18th Gustavus student athletes to receive NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships in the history of the program. Indoor track and field sprinter Jack Henkemeyer (see photo on p. 37) received a postgraduate scholarship during the winter season, giving the Gusties three postgraduate scholars during the 2005–06 school year.

Bryan, a native of Edina, Minn., posted a record of 20–8 at #5 singles and paired with his

brother Andy for a 22–7 mark at #2 doubles this past season. He was captain of a Gustavus team that finished third at the NCAA championships and posted a mark of 35–5 overall. Bryan, a three-year letterwinner, was a two-time all-conference performer. He finished his career with a mark of 52–18 in singles and 59–19 in doubles. A biology major with a 3.90 grade point average, Bryan will attend medical school at the University of

Minnesota next fall.

Sherer, a native of Bismarck, N.D., is a three-time all-conference performer and 2004 MIAC Player of the Year. He recently finished his senior season with a .308 batting average, while leading the team in fielding with 162 putouts, 8 assists, and no errors for a perfect 1.000 fielding percentage. Sherer ended his career as one of the top hitters and fielders in the program's history. He ranks second all-time in career hits (183); third in RBI (109), doubles (41), and at-bats (507); fourth in runs scored (112); and seventh in batting average (.361) and home runs (14). He is also the all-time leader in career putouts with 699 and in career fielding percentage at

.987 (he committed only 9 errors in 747 chances during his career). A biology major with a 3.96 grade point average, Sherer will spend this next year interning as a medical researcher before beginning medical school in the fall of 2007.



Ben Sherer


Earlier in the spring, Henkemeyer, a native of Plymouth, Minn., and a six-time all-conference selection as a sprinter for the Gustavus men's indoor track and field team, was selected as one of 58 student-athletes from across the country participating in winter sports to receive a NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship. Henkemeyer was the only student-athlete (male or female) from an MIAC institution selected to receive the \$7,500 award in a winter sport.

Henkemeyer set three school records during the indoor season and, this past March, placed sixth in the 55 meters, fifth in the 200 meters, and sixth in the 400 meters at the indoor championships. While he received his NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship for his efforts in indoor track and field, he has also been a standout during the outdoor season, earning all-conference

honors four different times as a member of the 4 x 100 and 4 x 400 meter relay teams. In the classroom, Henkemeyer compiled a 3.82 grade point average with a double major in political science and psychology; he plans to pursue a master's degree in international relations at Aberystwyth University in Wales.

The NCAA awarded 58 postgraduate scholarships of \$7,500 each to

29 male student-athletes and 29 female student-athletes from all three divisions (I, II, and III) who participated in spring sports and a like number to student-athletes participating in winter sports.

To qualify for an NCAA postgraduate scholarship, a student-athlete must have an overall grade-point average of 3.200 (on a 4.000 scale) or its equivalent and must have performed with distinction as a member of the varsity team in the sport in which the student-athlete was nominated. The student-athlete also must intend to continue academic work beyond the baccalaureate degree as a graduate student. 



Tony Konicek

Konicek is MIAC, Midwest Region Player of the Year

Outfelder Tony Konicek (Rochester, Minn.) recorded one of the finest seasons in the history of the Gustavus base-

ball program and he was awarded several significant post-season awards as a result of his accomplishments. Konicek received the Max Molock award from the MIAC Baseball Coaches as the league's Most Valuable Player, and he was also named the Division III Midwest Region Position Player of the Year by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association (NCBWA). In addition, Konicek became the first player in the program's history to receive First Team All-America honors from the American Baseball Coaches Association.

Konicek led the MIAC in batting average (.484), hits (59), doubles (16), home runs (8),

runs batted in (48) and total bases (101) and made only one error in 88 chances as the team's centerfielder. Konicek's batting average, which ranked fourth in all of Division III in 2006, is the third-highest single-season average in team history, while his RBI total of 48 ranks second-best all-time. Konicek was also ranked nationally in slugging percentage (seventh, .828), runs batted in per game (tenth, 1.41), doubles per game (24th, 0.47), and home runs per game (46th, 0.24). He was particularly impressive in clutch situations as he hit .500 (35 for 70) with runners on base and .596 (28 for 47) with two outs in the inning. Konicek recorded 22 two-out RBI and left only 12 runners stranded in more than 125 plate appearances.


Konicek helped the Gusties to a 28-12 record overall and a third-place 14-6 mark in the MIAC. Gustavus fell to St. Olaf in the first round of the MIAC baseball tournament. 

Palen named Arthur Ashe Award winner

Senior women's tennis player Lyndsey Palen (Rochester, Minn.) has been named the 2006 national NCAA Division III recipient of the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA)/Arthur Ashe Award for Leadership and Sportsmanship.

The Ashe Award, one of the most prestigious in collegiate tennis, goes to a player who has exhibited outstanding sportsmanship and leadership as well as scholastic, extracurricular, and tennis achievements. Palen (see photo on previous page) is the fourth Gustavus women's tennis player to receive the honor, following Mary Sutherland Ryerse '90 (1990), Lisa Broughten '98 (1998), and Erica Hanson '00 (2000).

Palen and doubles partner Tara Houlihan (Sr., Sioux Falls, S.D.) picked up their second consecutive NCAA doubles crown May 22 at the NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Championships in Santa Cruz, Calif.

A four-time Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-America selection, Palen was a member of four MIAC championship teams as well as four teams that reached the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Championships. Palen accumulated a 70-16 record in singles (28-0 in MIAC play) and an 89-20 record in doubles play (32-1 in MIAC play) in four years at Gustavus. 




Kimbra Kosek

Kosak selected to play in USA-China Friendship Cup

Women's golfer Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.) was selected to participate as a member of Team USA in the inaugural USA-China Friendship Cup, July 27-29 at Oak Valley Golf Club in Beaumont, Calif. The American team consists of eight men and four women—all true freshmen during the 2005-06 academic year.

Kosak received the nod after being tabbed as Division III Freshman Golfer of the Year by the National Collegiate Golf Association (NCGA). Kosak was also named to the NCGA All-Region IV squad. Kosak's 83.3 18-hole stroke average ranked second on the team to senior Kelli Groff. Kosak posted six top-ten finishes during the 2005-06 season, including tying for medalist honors at the Cobber Open in September and in a dual with Wartburg in April. Kosak added a runner-up medalist finish at the Division III Midwest Classic in late September.

The USA-China Golf Council hosted the match-play event. The biennial Friendship Cup will be played in Beijing in the summer of 2008 just prior to the beginning of the Summer Olympics, and will return to the United States in 2010. 




Runners-up in the 2006 NCAA Division III Women's Golf Championship: from left, Alana Reetz, Breanne Staples, Kelli Groff, Kimbra Kosak, Rachel Roberg.

Women's golf team finishes second at NCAA championship

The Gustavus women's golf team posted a second-place finish at the NCAA championships, which took place at Mission Inn Golf Club in Howie-In-The-Hills, Fla. The Gusties began the final day of the four-day tournament five shots behind DePauw (Ind.) and 59 shots behind eventual champion Methodist (No. Car.). The team rallied on the back nine and tied DePauw with two holes to play. Gustavus senior Kelli Groff birdied the 18th hole to put the Gusties up by a shot and the one-shot advantage held up through the final threesome.

Final individual results for Gustavus included Kelli Groff (Sr., Bloomington, Minn.) tying team-

mate Rachel Roberg (So., Rice Lake, Wis.) for 13th place. Groff posted a 72-hole total of 78-84-77-326, while Roberg tallied a total of 81-79-82-84-326. Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.) finished in 23rd place with a total of 82-83-85-84-334, followed by Breanne Staples (Jr., Windom, Minn.) in 27th at 85-82-87-84-338, and Alana Reetz (Sr., Milaca, Minn.) in 29th at 86-83-80-91-340.

Gustavus was making its third trip to the NCAA championships in the six-year history of the event. The Gusties placed seventh in 2003 and sixth in 2004. 

Kelli Groff named MIAC Player of the Year in women's golf

Gustavus senior Kelli Groff has been named MIAC Golfer of the Year by the MIAC women's golf coaches. Groff, a three-time all-conference performer, won the individual title at the MIAC championships last year and finished second this year.

The Bloomington, Minn., native finished 13th at this year's NCAA championships and helped the Gusties to a second-place team finish. Groff compiled a 79.7 stroke av-



Kelli Groff

erage in 11 tournaments during the fall and spring seasons. She claimed medalist honors at the Midwest Classic, the Wartburg Invitational, and the Minnesota Women's Collegiate Championships.


A second team All-America selection, Groff was also a National Golf Coaches Association All-America Scholar and a Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) Scholar Athlete. 



Brown wins national javelin title

First-year Lisa Brown (Lake Crystal, Minn.) captured the national title in the javelin throw at the 2006 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships, which were held at Benedictine University in Lisle, Ill.

Brown, who entered the meet seeded 16th in a field of 18 throwers, bettered her own school record of 136' 11" by nearly 18 feet. She is the second national champion in the past three seasons for the Gustavus women's track and field team, as Kristin Petersen '04 captured the national title in the discus throw at the 2004 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

It was a memorable season for Brown, who had not ever thrown the javelin prior to coming to Gustavus. She peaked at the end of the season as she broke the school record eight different times in the final four meets of the year. At the national meet, Brown set a new school record in five of her six throws. Her winning mark of 154' 6" at the national meet was 23' 4" better than the first time she broke the mark just four weeks prior to the NCAA meet! 



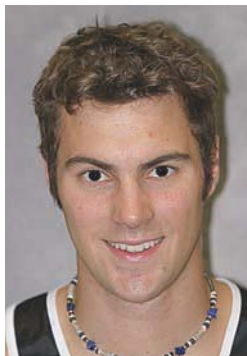
Lisa Brown

Four named to CoSIDA Academic All-America teams

Four Gustavus student athletes were among those named to the Spring Academic All-America teams announced by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) in conjunction with *ESPN The Magazine*. Senior Jack Henkemeyer (Plymouth, Minn.) was named to the Men's Track and Field/Cross Country Third Team, junior Hailey Harren (Cold Spring, Minn.) was named to the Women's Track and Field/Cross Country First Team, senior Ben Sherer (Bismarck, N.D.) was named to the Baseball Third Team, and senior Roy Bryan (Edina, Minn.) was named to the Men's At-Large First Team.

Henkemeyer, a sprinter on the track team, was a six-time all-conference performer who holds three school records. In the classroom, he compiled a 3.82 grade point average with majors in political science and psychology.

Harren, a standout performer on the cross country team (see photo on p. 33), won the NCAA Division III individual championship last




Jack Henkemeyer

October and was awarded the Honda Cup as the NCAA Division III Cross Country Female Runner of the Year. In the classroom, she has accumulated a 3.77 grade point average with majors in political science and management.

Sherer, a first baseman on the baseball team (see photo on p. 35), was a three-time all-conference performer and the 2004 MIAC Player of the Year. The biology major graduated with a 3.96 grade point average.


Bryan, a captain of the men's tennis team (see photo on p. 34), posted a record of 20-8 at #5 singles and 22-7 at #2 doubles with his brother Andy. The Gusties posted a record of 35-5 overall and finished third at the NCAA championships. Bryan compiled a 3.90 grade point average with a major in biology.

Gustavus now ranks 14th among the more than 700 institutions in the College Division of the Academic All-America program (NCAA Division II, NCAA Division III, and NAIA) in number of Academic All-Americans with 56. 




Tom Thorkelson

Thorkelson is MIAC Women's Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year

The Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Track and Field Coaches have chosen Gustavus head coach Tom Thorkelson as the 2006 Women's Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year. Thorkelson led the Gustavus women to a second-place finish at the MIAC championships. The Gusties posted eight top-three finishes in the meet and scored over 100 points (115) at the conference meet for the fifth consecutive year. This is the second time Thorkelson has been named MIAC Women's Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year; he was also honored in 2001. 

Gustavus finishes tenth in NACDA Directors' Cup

The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and the United States Sports Academy have announced the final totals for the 2005–06 Directors' Cup, and Gustavus finished 10th out of 435 competing NCAA Division III institutions. The Directors' Cup, which is the only all-sports competition in intercollegiate athletics, is awarded to four-year institutions in the NCAA and NAIA with the best overall athletic programs. In Division III, standings are based on national tournament finishes in 25 sports, with points awarded based on the number of teams participating in each specific national championship.

Gustavus totaled 544 points with national finishes in ten sports, including men's soccer (2nd, 90), men's swimming (11th, 66), women's ice hockey (4th, 25), women's nordic skiing (24th, 13), women's golf (2nd, 90), men's golf (14th, 48), men's tennis (3rd, 83), women's tennis (5th, 70), women's outdoor track and field (19th, 54), and men's outdoor track and field (66th, 5). Gustavus is one of only seven institutions in Division III to have posted top-10 finishes in four of the past five years (Williams, College of New Jersey, Emory, Gustavus, Middlebury, UW-La Crosse, and Washington University). 


This section was compiled by Tim Kennedy '82, who has been sports information director at Gustavus since 1990.

Gustie sports broadcasts have new home

The Athletics Department has entered into an agreement to broadcast Gustie sports events with Ingstad Brothers Broadcasting of New Ulm on KNUJ AM (860) and KRDS FM (95.5) for the 2006–07 school year. The new agreement brings about a significant change for the Gustavus athletics broadcasts, as Gustie games have been carried on KRBI Radio in St. Peter for more than 30 years.

"After very thoughtful consideration, we made a business decision to enter into an agreement with Ingstad Brothers Broadcasting," stated Athletic Director Al Molde. "We are very grateful for the strong relationship we have had with

KRBI over the past 30 years; however, this new opportunity will allow us to significantly extend our listening area, as well as increase our advertising base to support the broadcasts."

Approximately 40 events will be broadcast during the year. The Saturday afternoon football and men's basketball games will be carried on KNUJ AM out of New Ulm, while the evening basketball games will be broadcast on KRDS FM out of Montgomery. The first broadcast for the 2006–07 school year will be the Gustavus football game at Willamette University in Salem, Ore., on Saturday, Sept. 9. 


New football stadium approved

At its meeting in June, the Gustavus Adolphus College Board of Trustees gave the go-ahead to proceed with construction of a new football stadium as part of a long-standing campus expansion/realignment plan that will eventually locate a new academic facility adjacent to the library where the current football field is sited.

The new football field and stadium will be built in the space west of Lund Center previously occupied by the College's baseball diamond and football practice field. During the past summer, Myrum Field, the College's baseball field, was relocated to the northwest corner of the campus, between Linnaeus Arboretum's northern reach and the Swanson Tennis Center. Ground preparation has begun for the football facility. Barring unforeseen construction delays, the varsity baseball team will play on its new home field starting in the spring of 2007, and the Golden Gustie football team will play the inaugural game at the College's new stadium in the fall of 2007.

Championship football coaches—Lloyd



Hollingsworth '36, Jack "Jocko" Nelson '50, Lee Krough, and Dennis Raarup '53—will be honored with plaques to be mounted on pillars at the main entrance of the new stadium. The entrance will also feature a plaque recognizing donors contributing more than \$1,000 to the stadium campaign, as well as an area celebrating the long and storied Gustavus football tradition. Additional support for the project is welcome. Individuals wishing to support the recognition of a championship coach may still be listed as donors at the \$1,000+ level. Contact the College's Office of Institutional Advancement at 800/726-6192 for more information. 



New gift supports Björling Music Scholarship program

Walter Youngquist '42 honors wife and her love of music

A gift to Gustavus Adolphus College in excess of \$1 million from Walter L. Youngquist '42 of Eugene, Ore., has established an endowed music scholarship named in honor of his wife, Elizabeth Pearson Youngquist '42. The Elizabeth Pearson Youngquist Music Scholarship will be awarded under the Jussi Björling Scholarship program, with preference for students focusing on piano, cello, or organ, who have financial need, and who have met program criteria.

Elizabeth Pearson graduated from Gustavus in 1942 with majors in music, English, and speech, marrying Walter in 1943. While a Gustavus student, she participated in the Gustavus Band, the Cathedral (Gustavus) Choir, the Choral Club, and debate and worked on the staff of the *Gustavian Weekly*, earning membership in Alpha Phi Gamma, the national honorary journalistic society. Music has been a significant part of her life, according to her husband—from teaching music and English in the Atwater, Minn., school system early in her career to providing accompaniment on an “unsecured” piano on a rolling ship deck somewhere between the Strait of Magellan and Morocco when Walter was teaching in the World Campus



Elizabeth Pearson Youngquist '42, as a Gustavus senior.


Afloat program (now Semester at Sea) in 1978. Her participation in and continuing love for music is reflected in the designation of the new scholarship.

The Youngquists had previously established endowments supporting the geology program at

Gustavus. In 2001 Walter, among the preeminent petroleum geologists in the nation during his long career as a university professor, industry geoscientist, and energy compa-

ny consultant, established a scholarship for students studying geology at the College and an endowed fund to support student research projects, field study, and equipment purchase in the geology department.

The Jussi Björling Scholarship program honors the legacy of the great Swedish operatic tenor for whom the College's Jussi Björling Recital Hall is named. Björling Scholarships are the primary financial aid grants recognizing and encouraging musical excellence and are awarded annually, on the basis of auditions and interviews, to selected high school seniors who have extensive and

outstanding music performance experience in solo and ensemble settings and who show promise of further developing their artistry at Gustavus. Björling Scholarships are renewable for each year a student-musician qualifies and continues participation in music ensembles and lessons. The Elizabeth Pearson Youngquist Endowed Music Scholarship will assist fifteen or more Björling Scholarship recipients in its first year. 

Contact information

For information, please contact Gift Office staff at 800/726-6192 or 507/933-7512, or by e-mail at <giftplanning@gustavus.edu>, or ask a staff member to contact you by visiting <www.gustavus.edu> and clicking on “Giving to Gustavus” and “Contact the Gift Office Staff.”

From 1956 to 2006

*To commemorate the occasion of the 50th anniversary of their graduation from Gustavus, four members of the Class of 1956 offered to match the first \$1,000 of the senior class gift of the Class of 2006. The four met the student interns who worked with the 2006 Senior Class Gift Project to present a ceremonial check, which boosted the class gift total to \$3,672.88. Pictured from left are **Jayme Brandanger '06, Ann Malkovich '06, Clyde Allen '56, JoAnn Lundborg '56, Carolyn Brusseau '56, Bob Erdman '56, and Ty Haschig '06.***





Educating our future miracle-makers



Heidi Jo Wilking Pearse '87

by Heidi Jo Wilking Pearse '87

Have you ever had a “wake-up call?” A serious wake-up call, where you realize things differently? Not just an “I really wish I had fertilized my lawn in the fall!” but an “Oh, my, I never really thought about it that way!” kind of a wake-up call. I want to share with you a

true story about a wake-up call of my own this year. After reading this, you may be moved to act.

Every August my family reunites at a lake resort in northern Minnesota. During times like these we are all so grateful to have a family that laughs together, plays together, and misses each other when we're apart. But soon school starts in September, things get underway, and reality sets in.

One morning a couple of weeks into the school year, my sister called me to say that they were rushing their four-year-old to Minneapolis Children's Hospital to do tests on a possible brain tumor. By evening, their daughter was nearly blind, and in the middle of the night, surgeons worked to

remove a tumor that had taken over 30 percent of her brain in just a few short months. The next morning I took a flight to be with them in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit.

The next day we found out that my niece had a very rare, very aggressive, form of brain cancer that has unknown beginnings. Within two days there were 16 doctors and specialists working with them to determine a plan of action. As we sat by her bedside, we were numb, tired, and full of questions; we couldn't help but be thankful

that at least we were in one of the best medical communities in the world.

The pediatric oncologist, who told us the news, who shared with us the best plan of action, who encouraged my sister and her husband, was a peaceful man whom we grew to trust immediately. He explained new cutting-edge thera-

pies and spent countless hours explaining in detail everything that he knew. I kept thinking, “How lucky we are to have him . . . how lucky we are to be in this place.”

The pediatric oncologist who is still caring for my niece is Dr. Bruce Bostrom, who happens to be Bruce Bostrom from the Gustavus Class of 1974! When he and I sat beside on the second day, discussing Gustavus, it was like a surge I have never felt before! I love Gustavus, which is pretty obvious to most people. I enjoyed my studies, my research, the choir, and working there as staff after graduate school. I have always made financial contributions to the school because of my fondness for the place and people. I think I was a pretty “average” Gustie, and mostly I think of Gustavus students as nice kids with good heads on their shoulders who want to do well.

Then that day in September at Minneapolis Children's Hospital, it hit me that this particular Gustie grad was saving my niece's life! That the money I send to my alma mater every year is used to train some of the world's brightest minds, to purchase some of the most cutting-edge research equipment, to hire some of the best professors in their fields. It was a wake-up call to me that Gustavus isn't just a great school that I love . . . and the reality of how important financial contributions are hit home.

The staff call my niece the “Miracle Child” at the Ronald McDonald House, where my sister and her family stayed during my niece's six weeks of radiation. The surgeon miraculously removed the entire tumor during the surgery, which is nearly impossible because it started at the very center of brain. There are no tumors on her spine, and there were no cancer cells even found in her spinal fluid. And Dr. Bostrom is still using new therapies to try to regenerate the optic nerve so that she may gain some eyesight. She is now five, cancer-free, enrolled in preschool, and learning Braille. She is full of joy and laughter, and a wonder to us all.

So I will end by asking you to send your donation to Gustavus, or to increase your giving if you are a regular donor. Drop the change in the donation box the next time you go to McDonald's. Say yes with a pledge the next time someone asks you to sponsor him or her for a fundraiser. You have no idea how your life will change if you ever meet a Dr. Bostrom. I hope you never have to meet someone like him in circumstances like ours, but believe me when I tell you that **Gustavus is educating our future miracle-makers!** ☐

Heidi Jo Wilking Pearse '87 is a class agent for the Class of 1987. This article was taken from a recent class letter she wrote.

Upcoming recognition luncheon events

Gustavus Heritage Partnership

Saturday, September 23 (by invitation) – a celebration of thanks for those whose gifts last beyond their own lifetime.

Founders Society

Saturday, October 14 (by invitation) – a celebration of thanks for those whose gifts during their lifetime are beyond the cost of a Gustavus education.

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The mission of the Alumni Association is to facilitate among former students lifelong relationships with Gustavus and with each other that will enable alumni to actively advance and engage in the mission of the College.

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Postcard from Rome
Jesse Pearson '03 (left),
Andrew Bornhorst '03
(center), and **Arshad
Bachelani '02** back-
packed through Europe
for two weeks last spring.
They are pictured here
with the Coliseum behind
them, right after
standing for four
hours to see the
Pope and attend
a Good Friday
service in Rome,
Italy.



Gusties from the decade of the '30s celebrate anniversaries
Four graduates from the '30s returned to campus to celebrate with members of the 50 Year Club. From left are Ruth Vikner Gamelin '37 (69th anniversary), Frank Gamelin '38 (68th anniversary), Hildur Anderson Swenson '30 (76th anniversary), and Ruth Snyder Larson '33 (73rd anniversary).



Class of 1941 – 65th Anniversary
From left: Norman Magnuson, Blanche Isenberg Pergol, Marian Swanson Johnson, Mignon Carter Johnson, and Earl Carlson.



Last March Pete LeVander '37 celebrated his 90th birthday with family and friends. Pictured from left are Dyan LeVander '74, Jeff Anderson '80, Kirsten LeVander Dawson '64, Barry Anderson '76, Pete LeVander '37, Sue Meyer Anderson '80, Hap LeVander '62, Mona Anderson Gerike '82, Roland Thorstenson, Elaine Torrey Holmen '59, Bob Holmen '59, and Pete Olsenius '34.

Gustavus Century Club

Congratulations to four Gustavus graduates who belong to the Gustavus Century Club, 100 years of age and older. Listed below are their names and birthdates:

*Adele Regner Stearns '22.....105.....June 5, 1901
 Hulda Schroeder '25.....104.....August 14, 1902
 Leon L. Scheman '29.....101.....August 28, 1905
 Pearl M. Johnson '28.....100.....May 6, 1906*

35 *Class Agent:*
position open

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Aina Abrahamson, Thousand Oaks, CA, attended the East Africa Reunion at Gustavus.

37 *Class Agent:*
position open

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Irving Ahlquist, Fairfield Bay, AR, is organist at Peace Lutheran Church ■

Mary Almen Barthelemy, Lafayette Hill, PA, is preparing to move to a Lifetime Care Community.

41 *Class Agent:*
Charles Lusk

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Bessie Hobart Chenault, Austin, TX, enjoys reading, writing, and talking on the phone with friends, including those in Africa ■ **Walter Gonska**, Riverview, FL, celebrated the birth of his first great-grandchild last year.

42 *Class Agent:*
C. Eddie Johnson

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Charles Covey, Fairfield, CA, lives in the Paradise Valley retirement community ■ **Ruben Pedersen**, Minneapolis, is a partner of conscience sustaining membership in Amnesty International and a board member at Lutheran Health Care Bangladesh.

43 *Class Agents:*
*Elmer Anderson,
 S. Bernhard Erling*

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Lowell Bernard, Orlando, FL, lives at the Orlando Lutheran Church Towers and is active in church and social organizations ■ **Howard Olson**, Sun City Center, FL, gave three lectures in February at a Luther Hostel spon-

sored by the Florida Bahamas Synod and published a book of African folktales ■ **Leslie Peterson**, Menomonie, WI, traveled with five of his granddaughters to Tanzania this summer.

45 *Class Agent:*
position open

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Leonard Pikal, Brownston, has been active as a farmer and served charitable organizations and conservation and cooperative boards.

46 *Class Agent:*
Arlene Sorenson Higgins

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Phyllis Anderson Gillson, Alamosa, CO, is active in music at church ■ **Melva Lindstrand Jacobson**, Willmar, lives at the Bethesda Heritage Center and celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with her husband, Carroll, on August 18 ■ **Juliet Anderson Moris**, Norfolk, NE, lives in the Meadows Retirement Center.

47 *Class Agent:*
Bob Wieman

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Phyllis Peterson Odland, Richfield, and **Marvin '46**, celebrated their 80th birthdays with a cruise around Hawaii.

48 *Class Agent:*
Lorrie Johnson Leaf

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Marilyn Thommen Dawson, Huntsville, AL, plays bridge and volunteers at the hospital ■ **J. Lyman**





Class of 1946 – 60th Anniversary
Sigri Gunderson Hecht and Marvin Odland.



Marvin Holt '33, Plymouth, was awarded medals of service by the French government for military activities in Normandy during WWII and by Korea for the same in the Korean War. Minnesota Congressman Jim Ramstad, the commanding general of the Minnesota National Guard, and the commander of the Wayzata American Legion were in attendance for the presentation last February.

Hall Sr., Pinehurst, NC, traveled last spring to France and Wales.

49 **Class Agent:**
Pete Erickson

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Fran Quist Hedlund, Paynesville, enjoys spending time with her 6 children and 13 grandchildren.

50 **Class Agent:**
Gloria Martell Benson

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Ely Barnes Dahlstrom, Lake Oswego, OR, cruised to Helsinki, St. Petersburg, Oslo, and Copenhagen this summer ■ **Earl Gustafson**, St. Paul, has published a book titled *The Swedish Secret—What the United States Can Learn from Sweden's Story*, published by Syren Book Company ■ **Orv Iverson**, Woodside, CA, is director of the Ninth Air Force Association ■ **Doris Jacobson Speckeen**, Singer Island, FL, traveled last year to Japan and China.

51 **Class Agent:**
Dorothy Johnson Lutz

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Donn Larson, Duluth, wrote *The Will and the Way, How a Generation of Activists Won Public and Private Achievements for their Community*

and Region ■ **Elmer Luke**, Maple Grove, was inducted into the Minnesota State High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame ■ **Rhoda Smith Nelson**, Kaneohe, HI, lives in a retirement center in Hawaii and spends summers at their cabin in Wisconsin ■ **Don Osell**, Cohasset, divides time between Minnesota and Fountain Hills, AZ, and spends time traveling and volunteering ■ **Marilyn Street Turner**, Santa Rosa, CA, took her twin 16-year-old granddaughters to Kauai.

52 **Class Agent:**
Barb Eckman Krig

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Donald Peterson, Roswell, GA, has a son and two grandsons currently attending Gustavus and traveled this year to Antigua, the 84th country he has visited.



53 **Class Agents:**
Thomas Boman, Marv Larson

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Tom Atcherson, Iowa City, IA, was honored at a concert in April at University of Iowa with music he has written and the presentation of "Play with Minds: The W. T. Atcherson

Homecoming & Family Weekend 2006

October 6, 7, & 8

Friday, October 6

- 5 p.m. **1981 Class Party** – Best Western, Mankato
- 6 p.m. **1996 Class Party** – Fine Line Music Café, Minneapolis
- 1961 Class Dinner** – Radisson Hotel, Plymouth
- 7 p.m. **Homecoming Coronation** – Alumni Hall

Saturday, October 7

- 9 a.m. **Fun Run** – Three Flags (5K run around Campus Drive)
- 9 a.m. **Seminar: Terrorism** – Banquet Rooms
- 10 a.m. **Morning Praise and Memorial Service** – Christ Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. **1971 Class Lunch** – Alumni Hall
- Parent Seminar** – Presidents Dining Room
- 1991 Tailgate Picnic** – The Dive
- 2001 Class Lunch** – Lind Interpretive Center
- 11 a.m. **50 Year Club Football Luncheon** – Campus Center Banquet Rooms
- 1961 Class Luncheon** – Campus Center Banquet Rooms
- 1966 Meet and Mingle** – Faculty Lounge, Campus Center
- 1986 Tailgate Picnic** – Eckman Mall by Old Main
- 1996 Tailgate Party** – NE corner of Hollingsworth Football Field
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. **Homecoming Luncheon** – Evelyn Young Dining Room
- 11:30 a.m. **Homecoming Parade** – Pittman to Norelius around Campus Dr.
- 1 p.m. **1971 Nurses' Reunion** – Linner Lounge
- Football Game vs. Bethel** – Hollingsworth Field
- Women's Soccer vs. Macalester** – Soccer Field
- 15th Annual Gustavus Tennis Gala** – Swanson Tennis Center
- 1:30 p.m. **Discover Linnaeus Arboretum with Naturalist Jim Gilbert '62** – Lind Interpretive Center
- 3 p.m. **Weekend Movie – Pirates of the Caribbean II: Dead Man's Chest** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 3:30 p.m. **1981 Class Post-Game Party** – Lind Interpretive Center
- 4 p.m. **1966 Class Party** – Shoreland Country Club
- 1971 Class Post-Game Party** – Westwood Marina Bar & Grill
- 1986 Post-Game Party** – Eckman Mall by Old Main
- 1991 Happy Hour** – The Dive
- 2001 Post-Game Gathering** – Patrick's
- 5 p.m. **Homecoming/Family Weekend Banquet** – Campus Banquet Rooms
- 5:30 p.m. **1976 Class Party** – Alumni Hall
- 7 p.m. **Chicago Comedy Company** – Evelyn Young Dining Room
- Weekend Movie - Pirates of the Caribbean II: Dead Man's Chest** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 7:30 p.m. **Neal & Leandra Concert** – Björling Recital Hall, tickets required
- 9 -11 p.m. **Sky Watch** – Olin Observatory
- 10 p.m. **Weekend Movie - Pirates of the Caribbean II: Dead Man's Chest** – Wallenberg Auditorium

Sunday, October 8

- 8 a.m. **Morning Coffee and Sunday Papers** – Courtyard Café
- 10 a.m. **Holy Communion Worship Service** – Christ Chapel featuring the Choir of Christ Chapel and the Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra
- 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **Jazz Brunch** – Evelyn Young Dining Room featuring the Gustavus Jazz Ensembles
- 1 p.m. **Weekend Movie** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 1:30 p.m. **Music Performances** – Christ Chapel
Gustavus Choir, Gustavus Symphony Orchestra, Gustavus Wind Orchestra, Lucia Singers, Vasa Wind Orchestra
- 4:30 p.m. **Diversity Center Banquet** – Campus Center Banquet Rooms

Reservations for Homecoming/Family Weekend are requested by Friday, September 22. Call the Alumni Relations Office at 800/487-8437, e-mail alumni@gustavus.edu, or register online at the alumni events section of the Gustavus website at www.gustavus.edu.



The wife and children of the late **Doniver Lund**, longtime history professor at Gustavus (taught 1946–1986), gathered on campus recently to mark the placement of a grandfather clock commemorating his service to the College in the renovated Old Main. Pictured from left are **Ruth Lund Neely '75**, **Elgene Lund**, **Renee Lund Braun '72**, **Tom Lund**, and **Rebecca Lund Otterness '69**.



Class of 1951 – 55th Anniversary

Front row: **Russell Paulson**, **Dorothy Johnson Lutz**, **Arden Halk Sanstead**, **Joan Craven Benson**, **Elmer Luke**, **Marlys Akerson Chase**. Second row: **Bill Robertz**, **Marilyn Barnes Robertz**, **Dorothy Conrad Gaard**, **Ed Benson**, **Robert Larson**, **John Norman**. Back row: **Art Gaard**, **Don Berg**, **Ray Lundquist**, **Stan Benson**.

Festschrift," a collection of scholarly articles and essays by Tom's former students and colleagues ■ **Robert Barke**, Madisonville, LA, needed some home repairs after Hurricane Katrina and is grateful for all the people who came to help the area restore some normalcy ■ **Daniel Borg**, Sterling, MA, traveled to New Zealand last March ■ **W. Gaylord Fernstrom**, Scotch Plains, NJ, and **Jeannette '57**, took a cruise to Alaska this summer ■ **Lois Bratt Genis**, Marblehead, MA, winters in

Florida ■ **Fran Johnson Hummel**, Golden Valley, traveled to Eastern Europe with the Gustavus Wind Orchestra companion tour in January.

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Mary Jane Monson, Minneapolis, works for Hennepin County Accounting.

55 **Class Agent:**
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Marilyn Anderson Stephan, Berkley, MI, is mayor of Berkley, MI ■ **Don Swanson**, Robbinsdale, was the subject in columnist Doug Grow's column in the June 17 issue of the Minneapolis *StarTribune*. As retired teacher and coach at Minneapolis Patrick Henry High School, Swanson was featured for his persistence with city council members, school offi-

cial, and residents living near the school that led to the installation and lighting of a \$20,000 sign purchased in 2001. ■ **Sonny Wanstrom**, Aitkin, winters in Arizona, volunteers in outreach programs for kids, plays tennis, and is active in church and the retirement community.

56 **Class Agents:**
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Joan Krantz Braun, Madison, WI, and **Russell '58**, have a granddaughter starting at Gustavus ■ **Tom Engquist**, Prior Lake, has been serving as interim director of the American Swedish Institute Male Chorus ■ **Paul Johns**, Mount Prospect, IL, is pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church ■ **Jan Samuelson Olmanson**, St. Peter, has a granddaughter who is a student at Gustavus ■ **Marlene Ibberson Satre**, Winthrop, retired as a teacher, and traveled this year to the Caribbean, Mexico, and Arizona.

57 **Class Agents:**
Nancy Reiter Grimes, Clem and Marlys Mattson Nelson
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Anmarie Cederberg Blomstrand, Lund, Sweden, enjoys living in the interesting city of Lund with its old cathedrals, the university, and a rich musical life ■ **Mary Kendall Dick**, Edina, teaches private voice lessons and coaches a Sweet Adeline chorus and quartet.



58 **Class Agent:**
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Robert Christenson, Columbia Heights, is a consultant at In Commerce Solutions, Inc. and Cumconsults, LLC ■ **Carol Lund Garone**, Andover, MA, will go on a Reformation tour this fall to Germany and Switzerland ■ **James McPherson**, Princeton, NJ, serves on numerous boards for historic preservation, Civil War museums, and Abraham Lincoln projects, and is researching a book on Lincoln as commander in chief ■ **Patricia Miller Peterson**, Cook, traveled this year to St. Petersburg, Russia, and divides time between Minnesota and Tucson, AZ ■ **Bob Peterson**, St. Peter, spent the winter in Destin, FL, and is planning a trip to South America ■ **Sally Clausen Taylor**, Olympia, WA, divides



time between Washington and Arizona ■ **Morna Pell Traffas**, Wyomissing, PA, retired from H & R Block.

59 **Class Agents:**
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Joyce Miller Biagini, Maplewood, divides time between Minnesota and Costa Rica, volunteers at the Como Park Carousel, teaches part-time ESL, and traveled most recently to Serbia-Montenegro and Kosovo ■ **Deone Nordquist Cartford**, Wautoma, WI, and **Larry '59**, enjoy spending time in Wisconsin and Arizona and with their three grandchildren. They traveled this year to Eastern Europe and cruised to Tahiti ■ **John Edman**, Bluffton, SC, retired as director of the Center for Vector-Borne Disease at University of California, Davis ■ **Pat McLane Olson**, Minneapolis, and husband, **Richard '58**, enjoy being active in the lives of their grandchildren.

60 **Class Agent:**
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Virginia Nelson Anderson, Janesville, WI, is hospitality chair of the Janesville Area Retired Educators, secretary of the Home Makers, treasurer of the Good Fellowship Group, Bible study leader with Mary Circle, delivers Meals on Wheels, attends concerts, plays, and dinners, and entertains friends. ■ **John Bergstrom**, Mesa, AZ, enjoys travel, golf, volunteering at the local art center, and writing ■ **Jule Carlson Cameron**, State College, PA, has traveled recently to Australia/New Zealand and South Africa and is planning a trip to Sweden ■ **Nancy Dege Gerhard**, Santa Ana, CA, traveled this spring to China ■ **Jackie McKenna Gimse**, Dundas, led the St. Olaf student semester to the Middle East ■ **Nancy Benson Griffith**, New London, enjoys spending time with grandchildren and participates in the Race for the Cure ■ **Rosemarie Anderson Kohler**, Vista, CA, volunteers at the senior center and plays golf ■ **Clay McCoy Jr.**, Winter Park, FL, was named the University of Florida's first Citrus Research and Education Center Distinguished Professor. The professorship recognizes outstanding contributions and excellence in research, teaching and extension. ■ **Allan Moberg**, Tampa, FL, is owner of Moberg Studio ■ **James J. Olson**, Mendota Heights, volunteers as a re-

searcher and genealogy desk worker at the Minnesota Historical Society and traveled this summer to Russia, Estonia, and Finland ■ **Paul Tidemann**, St. Paul, celebrated his 25th year as pastor at St. Paul Reformation Lutheran Church; he also plays French horn in the Northeast Orchestra and is treasurer of the Cammack Marshall Fund ■ **Jo Jensen Tollefson**, New Brighton, completed parish nursing courses with Concordia College and traveled this year to Tanzania ■ **Anne Kilty Wiberg**, Des Plaines, IL, and **Mark '58**, enjoy retirement, spending time with two grandsons, and volunteering in Chicago for the performing arts.

61 **Class Agent:**
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Nita Swanson Anderson, New Brighton, and **Roger '60**, keep busy with six grandchildren and traveled this year to Alaska and Mexico and are planning a trip to Norway and Sweden in September ■ **Veryl Becker**, Glencoe, sold his dairy cattle and continues to raise



Three generations of Wahlstrom memories

Three generations of the Dumdei family lived in Wahlstrom Hall during their student days and got together for a photograph before Wahlstrom's demolition last summer. Pictured from left are **Jackie Gilbert Dumdei '51**, **Gene Dumdei '51** (required housing as a WWII GI attending college on the GI Bill), **Paula Dumdei Rock '77**, and her son, **Jeffrey Rock '08**.



Krigs present inaugural Bobby Krig Invitational trophy

The Gustavus men's golf team won the first annual Bobby Krig Invitational played at Le Sueur Country Club and Ridges at Sand Creek in Jordan, and Bobby's widow, **Barb Eckman Krig '52**, and their son, **David Krig '82**, were in attendance to present the trophy. **Bobby Krig '53** was a lifetime supporter of the Gustavus golf program, as a team member, coach, and until his death, a key volunteer for the golf program and the annual summer men's golf tournament that benefits the program. Pictured front row are **Jordan Hawkinson '08**, Barb Krig, David Krig, and Coach **Scott Moe '95**. Back row are **Eric Tone '07**, **Mark Stuckey '08**, **Jon Hagedorn '06**, and **Clayton Johnson '06**.



Class of 1956 celebrates 50th Anniversary



Front row: Donna Lindquist Chommie, Jan Samuelson Olmanson, Lucy Fogelstrom DeRemee, Mimi Johnson Eisele, Mary Gruse Jennett, Char Swansson Erickson, Helen Sandgren Munson, JoAnn Johnson Lundborg, Carolyn Jens Brusseau, Joan Lindall. Second row: Beverly Matson Gustafson, Charmaine Nelson Flen, Lorraine Youngquist Anderson, Carol Lindberg Musser, Nancy Lea Roberts, Melba Johnson Gevik, Beverly Johnson Anton, Faye Reber, Lois Ledin Anderson, Kay Rethwill Moline. Third row: Faith Walfrid Lindell, Kent Musser, Ray Norling, Dick Erickson, Roger Delgehausen, Tom Engquist, Bob Villesvik. Fourth row: Carlton Anderson, Don Hausken, Dick DeRauf, Don Roberts, Bob Keech, Lee Carlson. Back row: Bob Erdman, Gene Flaten, George Heiber, Roger Munson, Clyde Allen, Alan Westberg.



Front row: Dick Chilkott, Barbara Carlson Ulven, Joan Krantz Braun, Ruth Chell Oliphant, Marian Overlie Knudtson, Marlene Ibberson Satre, Ruth Hanson Haberman, Vonnie Anderson Casserly. Second row: Phyllis Sletten Dalager, John Bonderson, Jo Cipra, Mona Amundson Burns, Barbara Brunkow Timmer, Laura Lunderoff McMichael, Luella Gesme Chell. Third row: Corrine Rhyne Holm, Sid Puppe, Jim Kittlesen, Alden Backman, Clemmer Wait, Barbara Ford Olson, Reuben Carlson. Fourth row: Carl Swanson, Joann Gould Knapp, Jim Knapp, Stephen Ekobena, Jim Chell. Back row: Charles Colberg, John Annexstad, LeRoy Sanders, Glen Jacobson, Jerry Bengtson, Ted Anderson.

calves and heifers ■ **David Dowd**, Duluth, is a funeral director at Dougherty Chapel ■ **Karen Lacher Dowd**, Duluth, is a dog breeder and trainer at Otter River Kennels ■ **Lillian Hanson Edman**, Bluffton, SC, lives in the Sun City Hilton Head retirement community in South Carolina ■ **Sally Enstrom**, St. Louis Park, is an active volunteer at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts ■ **Paul K. Hanson**, Billings, MT, is interim pastor at Hope Lutheran ■ **Eloise Johnson Hayman**, St. Peter, is plan-

ning a trip to England ■ **Lorene Johnson Johnson**, Fairfield Glade, TN, and **Ron '59**, spend time traveling to visit family and friends ■ **R. Bruce Kobs**, Excelsior, is a self-employed dentist ■ **Joanne Linnee**, Winona, took an Elderhostel trip this spring to New Hampshire ■ **Marcee Muller**, Tecumseh, NE, is president of the Nebraska United States Bowling Congress Association and enjoys bridge and supporting Husker sports teams.

62 **Class Agent:** Sandra Luedtke Buendorf, Jan Eiffert Hoomani, Ben Leadholm

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Ed Blair, Payson, AZ, is a retired Lutheran pastor and was elected to the Payson Town Council ■ **Linda Johnson Blanding**, Los Altos, CA, traveled this year to New Zealand ■ **Gordy Edberg**, Langley, WA, is an architect at Edberg/Christiansen Architects ■ **Sharon Maurer Edberg**, Langley, WA, is a part-time fundrais-

ing consultant ■ **Audrey Kylander Kramer**, Chanhassen, works part-time at the Marsh, traveled recently to Costa Rica, and went skiing in Colorado and horseback riding in Wyoming and Montana ■ **Lynda Hamlin Murray**, Eden Prairie, is traveling to Iceland, Norway, and Sweden to research family genealogy ■ **Rolf Nelson**, Minneapolis, was elected president of the National Elder Law Foundation





in Washington D.C. at the foundation's annual meeting in April; Nelson, an attorney, is Minnesota's first Elder Law Specialist ■ **Margaret Helvig Sediva**, Fullerton, CA, is substitute teaching and traveled last winter to Israel ■ **Ted Stoneberg**, McCordsville, IN, is emeritus professor of psychology at Anderson University School of Theology ■ **Karen Hawkinson Summers**, Bellingham, WA, is minister at large in her presbytery and traveled to Nicaragua and Australia.

63 Class Agents:

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Eunice Holm Fultz, Shoreview, and **Don '61**, volunteer as the congregational coordinators for the St. Paul Area Synod and Iringa Diocese-Tanzania Partnership ■ **Donald Granberg**, Salt Lake City, UT, is emeritus professor of sociology at University of Missouri ■ **Mike Holm**, Westchester, OH, is marketing director for the midwestern region of the American Institute for Chartered Property and Consulting Underwriters and the Insurance Institute of America ■ **Karen Lindborg Jonaitis**, Tucson, AZ, volunteers in the community, church, and Tohono Club Park ■ **Nancy Johnson Knoell**, Brooklyn Park, traveled to the Gulf Coast this year to assist in hurricane clean-up ■ **Bonnie Lewis McClees**, Issaquah, WA, is still an active CPA and traveled this year to California and Minnesota ■ **Charlene Lundahl Norris**, Fairmont, and **Lyle '62**, spend the winter in Arizona, serve on the senior staff during the summer at the YMCA of the Rockies, and spend the spring and fall in Minnesota ■ **Claudia Hayden Schroeder**, Flagstaff, AZ, is an active volunteer ■ **Janet Ryan Tidemann**, St. Paul, is part-time visitation pastor at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church ■ **Carol Webster**, La Mirada, CA, is semi-retired but still teaches a math class at Fullerton College and supervises student teachers for the math and education departments at California State University, Fullerton.

64 Class Agents:

Linda Leonardson
Hallman, Joanna
Carlson Swanson

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Marjorie Rawhouser Crosby, Sewanee, TN, was living in South Mississippi when Hurricane Katrina hit, leaving 12 feet of water and 6 inches of mud inside her home, and prompting her to move to Tennessee

■ **Kirsten LeVander Dawson**, Arden Hills, is a chemical dependency counselor at Totino-Grace and Cretin-Durham Hall High Schools ■ **Richard Dornfeld**, Rosemount, taught last year at Community of Peace Academy and substitute teaches at Rosemount High School ■ **David Garms**, Fairfax, VA, is an international consultant ■ **Marcia Johnson Lindseth**, Prescott, WI, traveled in the past year to China, Germany, Colorado, and New York City and is retiring as part-time curriculum and assessment director for the Prescott School District ■ **Rose Ann Skoog Parks**, Plymouth, spent four months visiting the western national parks from Southwest states to the Pacific Northwest ■ **Carla Johnson Stoneberg**, McCordsville, IN, retired as a hospice nurse and started a business, Life Legacies, to help people write their life stories ■ **Miriam Borg Teeter**, Palo Alto, CA, retired from teaching fourth grade at the Henry Ford School.

65 Class Agents:

Bev Nordskog Hedeem,
Linda Larson McNary

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Sue Widstrom Gamelin, Jamestown, NC, and **Tim '63**, are co-pastors at Emmanuel Lutheran Church ■ **Mary Wood Menz**, Jacksonville, FL, is director of human resources at Hyatt Regency Jacksonville ■ **Iris Benson Smyth**, Arlington, MA, works part-time as a geriatric nurse practitioner ■ **James Uecker**, Plymouth, retired as chief underwriting counsel at Old Republic National Title Insurance.

66 Class Agents:

Sharon Anderson
Engman, Joyce
Henrikson Ramseth,
Mary Strand Slinde

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Julia Hagen Accola, Rochester, is enjoying retirement ■ **James Allan**, Martinez, CA, retired as director of operations at the U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base ■ **Ardis Nelson Archer**, Oakville, Ontario, retired as a nurse; she is active in the church choir and hand bell choir and enjoys golf and spending time with her grandchildren ■ **Caroline Sandin Basley**, North Prairie, WI, spends time with her three grandsons, travels, and teaches college art classes ■ **Cheryl Downey**, Santa Monica, CA, is executive director of the Costume Designers Guild ■ **Vicki Nelson Johnson**, Maple Grove, is active with



Reunion tee time

Several members of the Golden Anniversary Class of 1956 started their reunion weekend with a round of golf at Shoreland Country Club. Pictured from left are **George Hieber '56**, **Harleen Hieber**, **Dick DeRemee '55**, **Lucy Fogelstrom DeRemee '56**, **Jim Knapp '56**, **JoAnn Johnson Lundborg '56**, **Dick Lundborg '55**, and **Clyde Allen '56**.

Athletics Hall of Fame

September 30, 2006

Gustavus will induct new members into its Athletics Hall of Fame at a banquet at 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 30, in Alumni Hall, following the St. Olaf football game. Selection of athletes is based upon athletic achievement while a student at Gustavus and honors graduates with outstanding athletic accomplishment and significant contribution to the field of athletics.

2006 Inductees

Dick Kumlin '55, basketball (posthumously)
John Jambeck '62, swimming
Dan Prochnow '78, golf
John Huepenbecker '80, football
Debbie Jungwith Borman '87, volleyball
Tina Pulido Draper '87, gymnastics
Jerri Ree '88, basketball
Stacey Rodman '89, swimming
Deanne Sand Johnson '89, tennis

2005 inductees **Mary Mansour '85** and **Jay Rooker '85**, who were unable to attend last year's award banquet, will also be inducted.

Banquet tickets are \$12 per person. Reservations are requested by September 25. Call the Alumni Relations Office at 800/487-8437, e-mail alumni@gustavus.edu, or register online at the alumni events section of the Gustavus website at www.gustavus.edu. Tickets for the banquet will be held at a registration desk near Alumni Hall. Tickets for the football game may be purchased at the gate.

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Seminary reunion

Several Gustavus graduates attended the 45th anniversary reunion of the Class of 1961 from Augustana Seminary, Rock Island. The reunion was held in early April at Spirit in the Desert Lutheran Retreat Center in Carefree, AZ. Pictured from left are Roger Dahlin '57, Roger Anderson '57 and his wife Beverly Duncan Anderson '58, Glenn Leaf '57, Ted Granquist '57, Orv Lind '57, and Arne Walker '57.



Nelson receives Jefferson Award

Mary Nelson '61, Chicago, IL (second from left) was a 2006 recipient of a Jefferson Award presented at a banquet hosted by Chicago's NBC 5 on April 13. Jefferson Awards are presented to individuals who work to make a difference in their communities, on behalf of others, and without expectation for reward. Nelson is founding president and CEO of New Bethel Life, Inc., an organization advancing Chicago's West Side. New Bethel Life has built more than 1,000 units of housing, served some 12,000 clients each year, placed 7,000-plus residents in living-wage jobs, and brought over \$110 million in investments into the West Side. With Nelson are from left: Lee Fahrenz '87, Nelson, Lelvessa Hodges Lumpkin, Allison Rosati '85 (co-anchor NBC 5), Becky Anderson Fahrenz '87, Warner Saunders (NBC 5), Diane Hammargren Anderson '63, and Jim Anderson '60.

travel, golf, gardening, and grandchildren ■ Rachel Gilbertson Lind, Mendota Heights, retired as a staff nurse from Regions Hospital ■ Esther Peterson Martens, Excelsior, retired as a teacher ■ Stephen Otto, Appleton, WI, retired from the Appleton Public Schools ■ Phil Rogosheske, St. Cloud, supervises student teachers at St. Cloud State University and coaches nordic skiing at Cathedral High School ■ Ruth Moody Tsu, Hood River, OR, is a

part-time consultant with a teacher development group.

67 Class Agent: position open

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Patricia Snuggerud Dewees, Ormond Beach, FL, received a master's degree in special education and is em-



ployed at Chiles Academy ■ Mary Hedner Tatyrek, West Linn, OR, is a children's tour leader for the Portland Urban Tour Group.

68 Class Agents: John and Kris Lundberg Moorhead, Paula Navarro

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Angie Kuper Christmann, Santa Cruz, CA, retired from the administration at University of California,

Santa Cruz, and volunteers in the areas of local land preservation, mental health services, and stage productions ■ Barbara Veker Elnes, Edina, is a substitute teacher in the Edina and Hopkins School Districts ■ William M. Johnson, Richfield, is a programmer analyst at the Public Employee Retirement Association ■ Maryann Pommeranz Kaul, Comfort, TX, is an RN at LaHacienda Treatment Center ■ Janice Nelson Napier, Fairfield, CA, is principal at Amy Blanc Elementary School and received a master's degree in educational administration at Chapman University ■ Jean Magnusson Nye, Chicago, IL, is an associate in ministry at Faith Lutheran Church ■ Thomas Wickstrom, Ishpeming, MI, works part-time at Bethel Lutheran Church.

69 Class Agents: Dave and Jane Norman Leitzman

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Beverly Kroening Dopita, Park City, UT, enjoys skiing in the winter and golf in the summer ■ Lynn Schaefer Holmes, Nisswa, is a pharmacy technician at Target Corp. ■ Ruth Johnson, St. Peter, is retiring from the Minnesota House of Representatives ■ Margo Wayland Neilson, San Francisco, CA, teaches at North Shoreview Montessori ■ Susan Weber Wickstrom, Ishpeming, MI, divides time between Michigan and Green Acres, FL.

70 Class Agents: Karol Klint Grupner, Lindy Turner Purdy

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Alice Stohl Roufa, Webster Groves, MO, is district visual manager at Brooks Brothers ■ Bill Santee, Milford, MA, is a civilian employee for the U.S. Army ■ Pat Gabrielson Thomas, Tyler, is coordinator for the Southwest Adult Basic Education Consortium ■ Nina Malo West, Cleveland, teaches third grade in the St. Peter ISD.

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Joyce Karnitz Bailey, Belle Plaine, was honored for teaching 35 years of language arts in the New Prague Area Schools ■ Kathy Hokanson Bengtson, Northfield, is director of Northfield Home Care and supervisor of the Northfield





Hospital Hospice program ■ **Dale Isaacson**, Dassel, is warehouse supervisor at Saunatec ■ **Roger Menk**, Bloomington, is head of operations at CenterPoint Energy ■ **Ward Merrill**, International Falls, was selected as Minnesota Community Educator of the Year and retired as a teacher and community education director in the Blackduck ISD ■ **Linda Mellingen Santee**, Milford, MA, is a stability specialist at Genzyme Corp. ■ **Lynne Mattke Schulz**, St. Louis Park, is a substitute teacher for the Anoka-Hennepin and Wayzata school districts ■ **Gary Tidrick**, Roanoke Rapids, NC, is director of purchasing at Patch Rubber Company ■ **Nat Peterson Torkelson**, Tulsa, OK, is director of cardiovascular services at Hillcrest Medical Center ■ **Buster West**, Cleveland, is a senior financial services representative at Principal Financial Group ■ **Linda Janisch Ziegler**, Burnsville, is a part-time basic skills teacher for fourth- and fifth-grade reading and math in the Eagan/Apple Valley/Rosemount ISD.

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William Green, Fridley, is interim superintendent for Minneapolis Schools and was featured in the June 19 issue of the Minneapolis *StarTribune*. ■ **Suzi Franzen Hansen**, Mansfield, MA, is activities director at a senior center and participated in the Pan Mass Challenge 192-mile bike ride for cancer research ■ **John Headlee**, Rockford, is an assistant professor in the EDD program at St. Mary's University ■ **Jamesetta Alexander Newland**, White Plains, NY, has been appointed editor-in-chief of *The Nurse Practitioner: The American Journal of Primary Health Care* ■ **Marlys Sorenson Segaar**, Paynesville, teaches third grade in the Paynesville ISD.

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Barry Lane, Ramsey, is director of adult learning programs for Bloomington ISD #271 ■ **Linda Dangel Sieracki**, Palos Park, IL, is a medical technologist at the Advocate Christ Hospital Medical Center ■ **Deborah Jean Templin**, New York, NY, performed recently in *Singing for the Cows* and *Guiding Light*.



Class of 1962 Reunion Leadership Group meets
 Members of the **Class of 1962 Reunion Class Gift Leadership Group** met on campus June 2 & 3 to coordinate their class gift and begin planning for their 45th anniversary reunion, to be held May 25-27, 2007. Starting in 2007, the 40th and 45th anniversary classes will join the 50th anniversary class and the 50 Year Club in celebrating their reunions in the spring.
 Pictured in the front row from left are **Jan Swanson Swanson**, **Sharon Mauer Edberg**, **Roz Johnson Anderson**, **Jan Eiffert Hoomani**, **Gail Lindsey Breen**, **Ruth Johnson Leadholm**, **Audrey Kylander Kramer**, **Jan Swanson Sammelson**, and **Sandy Luedtke Buendorf**. Back row are **Kermit Swanson**, **Pete Lindell**, **Ben Leadholm**, **Al Henderson**, **Terry Skone**, **Rolf Nelson**, **Matt Eckman**, and **Kay Estesow Mowbray**.

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Tim Colburn, Duluth, is professor of computer science at University of Minnesota, Duluth ■ **John Hasselberg**, Minneapolis, is chair of the management department at College of St. Benedict and St. John's University and completed a term as chair of the joint faculty assembly ■ **Chris Mathieu**, Anderson, SC, is owner of a KOA campground ■ **Dennis Trooien**, White Bear Lake, is CEO and primary owner of DENNIS Properties.

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Mark Helgeland, Thief River Falls, is senior pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church ■ **Diane C. Johnson**, Cicero, IL, celebrated 25 years as pastor at Gethsemane Lutheran Church ■ **David McConnell**, Lake Elmo, is manager of estimating at UFE, Inc. and drummer for the country band, TarNation ■ **M. L. McLroy**, Enon, OH, is the primary care coordinator at the Dayton VA Medical Center ■ **Marilyn Paulson**, Bloomington, is an employee occupational health nurse at Park Nicollet Health Service ■ **Kris Peterson Petrie**, South St. Paul, is a systems analyst at the Department of Corrections at the State of Minnesota.



Class of 1963 section mates
 Section mates from Wahlstrom Hall 308 gathered on Madeline Island in June as guests of Mary Carlstrom Strand and report they had just as much fun together as they had when they first met in 1959. Pictured from the Class of 1963 are **Mary Carlstrom Strand**, **Louise Nelson Johnson**, **Joyce Gulstrand Amdahl**, **Barb Lundell Benson**, **Karen Pierson Tommeraaasen**.

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Candice L. Anderson, Shoreview, is director of nursing at Sunrise Assisted Living and received a master's degree in health administration from University of Phoenix ■ **Barb Davis Augustinack**, Apple Valley, is a corporate travel consultant at TQ3 Navigant Travel ■ **Matthew Barnes**, Plymouth, is a family physician for North Clinic ■ **Jim Chalin**, Minneapolis, is controller at Cretex Concrete Products North ■ **Melanie Williams Frank**, Wilmington, NC, is a clinical oncology researcher at Pharmaceutical Product Development

■ **Gail Prinz Hennek**, Ramsey, is a retired elementary school teacher ■ **Tom Holm**, Bloomington, is an actuary for Towers Perrin ■ **DeAnn Smith Klun**, Maple Plain, is band director at Orono Middle School ■ **Leonard Klun**, Maple Plain, is general manager of the microelectronics division at HEI ■ **Terry Brandt Lane**, Ramsey, is USA national director for Moms in Touch International ■ **Ginny Kirkegaard Leppart**, Eden Prairie, teaches third grade at Cedar Ridge Elementary ■ **Thomas Motter**, Seal Beach, CA, is president of the NTI Group ■ **Dennis Murphy**, Fridley, is director of marketing at GE Consumer Finance ■ **Judith Tynjala Murphy**, Fridley, is senior vice president of investor relations at US





Golf team hosts

During the past two spring breaks, **Bill and Sharon Hansen Johnson '64 '65** (above right and third from right with the women's team after they finished second at the NCAA Div. III National Championship in May at Howie-in-the-Hills, FL) hosted and housed the Gustavus men's and women's golf teams at Ponte Vedra Beach, FL. The Johnsons report, "Getting to know these outstanding student-athletes and their coaches is one of the most enjoyable things we have ever done!" Bill traveled to Minneapolis in July for the annual fundraiser for the men's and women's golf programs at Le Sueur County Club and posed (below, fourth from left in front) with members of the teams.



Re-elected to Thrivent board

Richard Lundell '65, Excelsior, Minn., was recently re-elected to a four-year term on the Thrivent Financial board of directors. Lundell, who has also served on the Gustavus Adolphus College Board of Trustees (2001–2006), first joined the Lutheran Brotherhood (later Thrivent Financial) board in 1999. He was nominated for the position by two Thrivent chapters as well as the Thrivent Financial board of directors. Lundell serves as president of R.C. Lundell Inc. He held a number of positions with Lutheran Brotherhood during a 31-year career, including general agent, attorney, treasurer and compliance director for Lutheran Brotherhood Securities Corp., director of advanced underwriting, regional sales director, and vice president of agencies, among others.



Bancorp ■ **Leanne Baker Ogburn**, Nashville, TN, is a partner with Dozier Consulting Group ■ **Tom Schonthaler**, Bowie, MD, is a consultant for ePartners, Inc.

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Chuck Boline, Eden Prairie, is director of IS at Liberty Diversity

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Sandra Shaw Kerrigan, Olympia, WA, is a nurse for the State of Washington.

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Liz Shaver Berg, Lancaster, CA, is trading and operations manager at Associated Securities Corp., PAC Life Company ■ **Scott Swanson**, Waco, TX, is a self-employed financial services representative.

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Jeanne Peterman Anderson, Nicollet, teaches elementary art for the Mankato Area Public Schools ■ **Lori Rutter Anderson**, Edina, is owner of Anderson Marketing Solutions, Inc. ■ **Jean Andreasen**, St. Paul, is general manager for Pasture Land Organic Dairy Cooperative ■ **Mary Holte Bauer**, Waupaca, WI, is a student at Luther Seminary ■ **Mary Rolf Bodin**, Roseville, is part-time kidney transplant coordinator at University of Minnesota Medical Center ■ **Pamela L. Carlson**, Coon Rapids, is an attorney for the State of Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings ■ **Susan Seiwert Conner**, Riverside, IL, was listed as a "Super Lawyer" for medical malpractice defense litigation in *Chicago* magazine



■ **Lia Ferrell**, Cincinnati, OH, is a legal secretary at the Legal Aid Society ■ **Brian Fragodt**, Andover, is pastor of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in East Bethel ■ **David Hakensen**, Minnetonka, is vice president of public relations for Pearson Education ■ **Kim Luke Hakensen**, Minnetonka, is merchandise manager and buyer for Dana's ■ **Mark Hilding**, Sorrento, FL, teaches math at Eustis High School ■ **Susan Holappa**, Grand Junction, CO, is an attorney in private practice ■ **Julie Mauston Kemp**, Omaha, NE, teaches accounting and marketing in the Millard JSD ■ **Douglas Knick** has joined the Luther College faculty as an assistant professor of education ■ **Sandy Lewis**, Falls Church, VA, is a manager for the U.S. State Department ■ **Brian Marquardt** is an active duty officer in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany ■ **Carolyn Peterson Schulze**,

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John Bergstrand, Eden Prairie, is a learning technologies specialist in human resources at Best Buy ■ **Ann Youngdahl Boline**, Eden Prairie, teaches at Maple Grove Senior High.



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Ellen Almen-Dale, Plymouth, is an international travel counselor at AAA Minneapolis ■ **J.C. Anderson**, Edina, is partner/attorney for Gray Plant Moody Law Firm ■ **Suzanne Boda**, Excelsior, is vice president of in-flight services at Northwest Airlines ■ **Connie Jo Pielh Johnston**, Rochester, is a nursing education specialist for the Mayo Clinic ■ **Amy Linner Quarberg**, Stillwater, is a hospital supervisor at Woodwinds Hospital and designs and sells handmade jewelry at <www.amysheartventures.com> ■ **Sonja Jensen Wastvedt**, New Wilmington, PA, teaches fourth grade in the Wilmington Area Schools.

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Q. Amin Ahmed, Palm Beach Gardens, FL, has been promoted to transportation department manager at Stanley Consultants, Inc. ■ **Chris Coleman**, Littleton, CO, is a business area manager at Coors Brewing Company ■ **Lori Jo Chmelik Colwell**, Rochester, is the nursing continuous improvement specialist at the Mayo Clinic ■ **Brian L. Emch**, Tokyo, Japan, is area manager/Japan and Korea for The Toro Company ■ **Kim Beyer Fragodt**, Andover, is director of music at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in East Bethel ■ **Bob Gazzola** is a family practice medical doctor with special interests in sports medicine, dermatology, pediatrics, and obstetrics for Mankato Clinic at Daniels Health Center, St. Peter ■ **Dave Gustafson**, Arden Hills, is co-founder, president, and CEO of Information Security Technology ■ **Jonathan Heller**, Poughkeepsie, NY, works at Dutchess County Probation ■ **Paula Psick Hemming**, Minneapolis, is coordinator/instructor of professional life coach education at Alfred Adler Graduate School ■ **Terri Jo Heckman Reusch** is commander and colonel of the 18 Aero Medical Evacuation Squadron at the Kaden Air Base in Okinawa, Japan.

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Wes Beedon, Roseville, is vice president of credit review for Excel Bank ■ **Kathy Larson Bergquist**, Rochester, is home-schooling their three children ■ **Sue Schultz Bratrud**, Victoria, is an administrative assistant at Mount Olivet Lutheran Church ■ **Jackie Hunt Christensen**, Minneapolis, received one of three Paul M. Silverstein Community Service Awards from the Struthers Parkinson's Center in Golden Valley during ceremonies on May 11. She also received word that she will be honored with the Millicent Kondracke "Milly" Award from the Parkinson's Action Network for demonstrating strength of spirit and steadfast devotion to Parkinson's disease advocacy and education, to be awarded in Washington, DC, in September at the Morris K. Udall Awards dinner ■ **Susan King Christenson**, Red Wing, is a stay-at-home mom ■ **Preston Euerle**, St. Cloud, is president of R.A. Morton & Associates ■ **Lori Gustafson Frisk**, Duluth, is manager of IT applications at ALLETE/ Minnesota Power ■ **Babette Gordon**, Chesapeake, VA, received a master's degree in environmental law from George Washington University ■ **Sara Hansen**, Des Moines, IA, is an editor for Meredith Corporation ■ **Lisa**



Holly House housemates from the Class of 1966 gathered last June in Hilton Head, SC, at the home of Ray and Kathy Johnson Olson '66 '66 and had a great time at the beach, golfing, and just talking. Pictured clockwise from front left are Char Peterson Senske, Judy Lauer Pede, Sue England Hendrickson, Kay Olson Erickson, Susan Schoening Gustafson, Mary Strand Slinde, Mary Dahms Bierbrauer, and Kathy Johnson Olson.



Baldus receives Principal of the Year award

Dennis Baldus '71, Victoria, has been named Hennepin Division Middle Level Principal of the Year by the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals. Baldus is the principal of Pioneer Ridge Freshmen Center, one of the few schools in Minnesota designed exclusively to meet the transition needs of ninth-grade students. The award recognizes Baldus for his leadership abilities and his commitment to students. Since graduating from Gustavus, Baldus has served as a teacher, coach, athletics director, and assistant principal.

Wegner Hollingsworth, Ridgeley, WV, is a warden for the Federal Bureau of Prisons ■ **John Latusek**, Dike, IA, is lead engineer at John Deere ■ **Jody Johnson Leyda**, Hudson, WI, works in the transportation department for Chrysler ■ **Laura Anderson Long**, Dunedin, FL, is an independent beauty consultant for Mary Kay ■ **Scott Luhmann**, St. Louis, MO, is an assistant professor at Washington University School of Medicine in the Department of Orthopedic Surgery ■ **Juliana Lutz**, Chicago, IL, is a nurse practitioner at University of Chicago ■ **John McCally Jr.**, Milwaukee, WI,

is vice president of marketing at Mo's Restaurant/Global Restaurant Systems ■ **Mitch Olson**, Bloomington, is a dentist in private practice ■ **Cindy Salmela Reh**, San Diego, CA, is VP of onsite engineering at Vektrel ■ **Erika Runge-Zins**, St. Michael, is a self-employed court reporter ■ **David Russeth**, Madison, WI, is owner/operator of Big Deal Book Store ■ **Penny Peterson Vizina**, Sault St. Marie, MI, is an optometrist for the Sault Tribal Health Center ■ **Chris Ziebell**, Austin, TX, is managing partner and board member of Emergency Service Partner and is medical director and chief of staff at Seton Northwest Hospital





Gusties prominent in greater Swanson family

Gusties from the Swanson family and friends gathered for a photo at an event last March. Front row from left: **David Swanson '69**, **Thomas Swanson '73**, **Robert Fransen '72**, **Susan Swanson Foster '67**, **Deborah Backstrom Swanson '73**, **Susan Engelsma Wilcox '73**, **Brian Swanson '00**, **Gail Severson Swanson '72**, **Ruth Ulrich Fransen '73**, and **Eric Oldre '99**. Back Row: **Thomas Swanson '02**, **Jamie Henderson '02**, **Karin Foster Vavrichek '97**, **Laura Smith Lesinski '00**, **Angie Hendrickson '00**, **Chris Lesinski '00**, **Julia Parenteau '01**, **Matt Torfin '00**, and **Emily Dunsworth '01**.



Honored for achievements in education and program management

Barbara Day '75, Endicott City, MD (center), has been inducted into the Lincoln High School Hall of Fame in Sioux Falls, SD, in recognition of more than 25 years of work with social services and refugees benefiting Lincoln High School and the citizens of Sioux Falls. She spent 10 years teaching adults and children both overseas and stateside in public and private institutions and 18 years directing a variety of administrative operational programs, services, and management initiatives at local and national levels. Day had earlier been recognized with the Sioux Falls Education Association Civil and Human Rights Award, and in 1999 Lutheran Social Services had honored her with their Lifetime Service Award.

Day, who currently manages the domestic refugee reception and placement program as Domestic Resettlement Section chief, Office of Admissions, Bureau for Population, Refugees, and Migration at the Department of State in Washington, DC, is pictured here with her two daughters—also Gusties—**Ingrid Greenlee '09** (left) and new graduate **Erin Greenlee '06**.

Department of Emergency Medicine
■ **Chris Zins**, St. Michael, is a territory sales manager for Intercomp.

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Julie Beddow-Schubert, La Crescent, received a doctorate in education from Hamline University and is director of curriculum and instruction at La Crescent Public Schools ■ **Mike Dueber**, St. Paul, is founder of Dueber Consulting ■ **Laura Olofson Filby**, Waterford, MI, is a trauma nurse in the pediatric emergency room at Fulmont Hospital ■ **Gus Leonard**, Marina, CA, received the Henderson Award from the International Association for Language Learning Technologies ■ **Kris Nelson-Noble**, Deer Grove, IL, is a trainer for the Wisconsin Regional Teen Institute for the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Continuing Education Department and is on the board of the local



YMCA ■ **Kay Nolan Nowell**, St. Michael, teaches biology, anatomy, and environmental science at St. Michael/Albertville High School ■ **Ann Olson Scott**, Edina, is business development director at Medtronic Cardiac Surgery ■ **Brad Sorenson**, Santa Rosa, CA, is vice president of operations for Boston Scientific ■ **Kristen Osterberg Tangen**, Lincoln, NE, teaches French at Lincoln Southeast High School ■ **Tracy Schurtz Thompson**, Lakeville, is benefits director for Apogee Enterprises.

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John Burkhardtzmeyer, Maple Grove, is vice president of equity derivative trading at Pali Capital ■ **Elizabeth Johnson Fridinger**, Woodbury, is a stay-at-home mom ■ **John Gaunt**, Minneapolis, is an assistant professor of fine art at Minneapolis College of Art and Design ■ **Lynn Stephens Giovannelli**, St. Louis Park, is a principal residential real estate developer at Miles Development ■ **Tim Gust**, Luverne, is owner of NationSet ■ **Jason Hedeon**, Plymouth, is chief

operating officer at Providence Capital ■ **Lorinda Olsbo Hedstrom**, Detroit Lakes, is a pharmaceutical salesperson for Eli Lilly in their osteoporosis division in the Brainerd Lakes, Alexandria, and Bemidji territories ■ **Cheryl Knutson Helget**, Prior Lake, is a marketing research analyst for Young America Corporation ■ **Chris Norrish Lacy**, Chaska, teaches and coaches in the Chaska School District and was named Section 2AA Gymnastics Coach of the Year ■ **Sarah Forde Monnens**, Ham Lake, is production artist for Peterson, Milla, Hooks ■ **Joel Tomlinson**, St. Paul, is a cost analyst at Gillette Children's Specialty Health Care ■ **Doug Wheeler**, Inver Grove Heights, is an IT consultant at N-Tier Consulting.

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Hibbing connection

Allen Lipke '70 (third from left) has taught at Hibbing High School for 34 years now and modestly admits that he is "responsible for encouraging many of my students to attend Gustavus." He and his wife, Jennifer, are pictured here at the high school graduation of incoming student **Jacquelynn Williams '10**, along with some among the current crop whom he's influenced: from left, **Williams, Jennifer Villas Lipke '71, Lipke, Erica Larson '09, Dan Johnsrud '09, Matthew Jester '09, and Eric McClellan '09.**

Named dean of the faculty at Simpson College

Steve Griffith '75 has been named vice president and dean of academic affairs at Simpson College, a liberal arts college of about 1,500 full-time students located in Indianola, IA., and affiliated with the United Methodist Church. Griffith, who taught in the Department of Theatre and Dance at Gustavus from 1979–2006, began his duties at Simpson on July 1. He is currently completing his doctorate in higher education policy and administration from the University of Minnesota.



Hoffman receives community service award

Paul Hoffman '76, Appleton, WI, received the Walter L. Rugland Community Service Award at a banquet last April for "his wholehearted commitment to community improvement." Thrivent Financial for Lutherans underwrites the award and the event was sponsored by the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region Inc. and the Post-Crescent. As chairman of Hoffman LLC, an architectural design and construction firm, Hoffman seeks out projects allowing his employees to make a difference and encourages his employees' community service efforts. Demonstrating a breadth of philanthropy, Hoffman has led several successful United Way, White Heron Chorale, Attic Theatre, and Boy Scouts of America fundraising campaigns and has mentored business and nonprofit leaders.



Hoffman and his firm were lauded for his "green" buildings, which are environment-friendly. His firm's headquarters is designed to maximize natural daylight and use of recyclable materials and to minimize the consumption of non-renewable energy.



Puppets on parade

Merlajean Nielsen Gartland '77, Lakeville, was featured in Dick Youngblood's *Small Business* column in the April 26 Minneapolis StarTribune. Gartland is the proprietor of Merlajean's Parading Puppets, a collection of 300 puppet characters covering 90 stories she presents at schools, churches, daycare centers, and libraries. Parading Puppets emerged in 1987 as a new way for Gartland, who for many years had taught preschool and kindergarten, to engage her students. After many requests for her shows from Twin Cities area schools, Gartland began her business. Gartland's husband, **Steve '76**, is a Lutheran pastor in Lakeville. For more information, visit <www.mjppuppet.com>.

Author of new book of celebrity faith stories

Amy Hammond Hagberg '83 is the author of a new book series that features well-known sports, film, TV, and music celebrities talking candidly about life in the spotlight—and in God's light. *How Do You Know He's Real? Celebrity Reflections on True Life Experiences with God (Destiny Image, 2006)* is the first installment of a planned three-book series. It contains 34 profiles about Christians blessed with professional career success—among them **Charlie Daniels**, **Gloria Gaynor**, **John Schneider**, **Gary Burghoff**, and **Jonny Lang**—who share their very personal stories.

Hagberg is a frequent contributor to numerous magazines such as *HomeLife*, *Living with Teenagers*, *Christian Singles*, *Sports Spectrum*, and *the Minnesota Christian Chronicle*. She also writes a monthly entertainment question-and-answer on <www.christianeducation.ca>. She lives and writes full-time in the woods of Buffalo, Minn. For more information, visit her website, <www.amyhagberg.com>.



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Nathan Carroll, Bloomington, IN, received a Ph.D. in communication and culture/American Studies from Indiana University and is assistant professor in communication and theatre arts at College of St. Scholastica ■ **Eric Persson**, Taby, Sweden, is vice president of business development for Axel Johnson AB ■ **Nicole Crosby Smit**, Mapleton, is self-employed in business development ■ **CL Swatland**, Pune, India, is programme manager for World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts.

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Acist Medical ■ **Joel Johnson**, Sioux Falls, SD, assistant professor of government at Augustana-Sioux Falls, has had his book manuscript, titled *The Mediocre Soul: Liberty and Individual Development in Modern Democracy*, accepted for publication by the University of Missouri Press, which has it scheduled for publication in Spring 2007 ■ **Laura Norman Koga**, Lake Balboa, CA, teaches at Campbell Hall and is president of the National Council of Japanese Language Teachers ■ **Aaron Lee**, Madison, WI, is a customer service representative at Saris Cycling Group ■ **Thuan Ly**, Minneapolis, is an orthopedic surgeon at the Carolinas Medical Center ■ **Jessica Hendrickson Osowski**, Monticello, is health integration adviser for HealthPartners, Inc. ■ **Adam Palazzari**, Lafayette, CO, is a physician at Broomfield Pediatrics ■ **Jeffrey W. Ross**, Wauwatosa, WI, is a physician for Medical College of Wisconsin ■ **Ed Sbertoli**, Clinton, IA, is a special agent for the State of Iowa Department of Safety ■ **Miriam Vos**, Los Angeles, CA, is coordinating a new middle school program at First Lutheran School.

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Nightingale

Paula Glynn Lammers

'87 is making a name for herself as one of the more versatile vocalists in the Twin Cities area. Paula, who teaches voice in high schools, colleges, and her own studio, sings in several genres, from opera to jazz. She released her first CD, *Blanket of Blue*, last year to high praise from jazz critics, and her trio opened the Grand Marais Jazz Festival this past May. In addition, she appears regularly on *Stillwater's Minnesota Zephyr* as part of a vocal quartet that entertains diners aboard the vintage train with nostalgic tunes from the '40s and with the River City Jazz Orchestra, a 17-piece big band that plays at local venues and for private events. If that weren't enough exercise for her vocal cords, she also has been a member of the Minnesota Opera chorus for the past four years. You can hear sound samples and check out her CD on her website, <www.paulalammers.com>.



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Salmon king

For much of the year, **Roger Rogotzke '80** is a mild-mannered business technology teacher at Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop Middle School in Fairfax, MN. However, for several weeks in the summer he's Captain Roger, master of one of two family-owned, 32-foot fishing boats dragging 300-foot nets for wild Pacific salmon in Alaska's Bristol Bay.

Fishing side by side with his brother, father, son, niece, and friends on the two Rogotzke Fish Co. boats, Roger has had a hand in bringing more than 10,000 pounds of Alaskan king salmon (and a good quantity of sockeye salmon as well) to market each summer for more than 15 years. And his company has now begun supplying the Gustavus Dining Service with all-natural, toxin-free salmon. Dining Service Director **Steve Kjellgren '86** ordered a first shipment in 2005 and will contract for several hundred pounds for the coming year.

Fishing in Bristol Bay is not for the faint-hearted. Storms can create 30-foot waves, making it nearly impossible to navigate. "It's tough doing much when all you can see is water on all sides," Rogotzke says of such conditions. "The waves are like cliffs. It's all I can do to try to keep the boat from flipping over." In one particular storm in 1991, a powerful tide pushed them away from shore for six hours and then back toward shore for another six hours, while waves crashed around them. But the thrill of fishing in Bristol Bay when the salmon are running has kept them coming back.

The fishing Rogotzkes are often awake for 15 to 20 consecutive hours when the salmon are running. "Catch a couple hours of sleep and you're up working again. It's a rush." They're proud of the quality of salmon that they bring to market—fish notably free of pollutants and toxins coming from one of the last pristine ecological habitats on earth. And Kjellgren, who has made an intentional effort to purchase natural products for the Gustavus Dining Service using the most direct route from the producer, boasts, "It doesn't get much shorter than boat to kitchen!"

Koch named Smith Barney V.P.

Paul Koch '87, Plymouth, has been promoted to senior vice president – wealth management at Smith Barney. In this position, he will provide investment services to high net-worth investors, foundations, small business owners, and corporations, focusing on wealth management, retirement planning, estate planning, and portfolio management. Koch has been employed by Smith Barney for five years, most recently as financial adviser.





Boman co-founds GeezerJock magazine
Steve Boman '87, Edina, has co-founded GeezerJock, a magazine and website for active men and women 40 and older. GeezerJock is a serious sports and fitness magazine for adult everyday athletes, covering all the sports people play and also offering relevant tips on training, nutrition, and health. Started less than two years ago with the help of some Chicago investors in the publishing business, GeezerJock's circulation has grown to 75,000 and advertisers include several major national companies.

Eight years ago as a newspaper reporter in Chicago, Boman shared a desk, beer, and conversation with Notre Dame graduate Sean Callahan, whom Boman describes as the "more literate sports-page guy." In addition to being one of the best sandlot football combos in the area, the two also shared a book idea for active, older people, and that idea evolved into a publication. Boman ran track and cross country at Gustavus and currently stays active by playing tennis and jogging. Check out <www.geezerjock.com>, or e-mail Boman at <sboman@geezerjock.com>.



On top of the world

Beth Stolberg '87 and her friend, Tom Hedgecoth, recently returned from a trip to China that included a visit to Lhasa, Tibet. They're pictured standing before Potala Palace. "Visiting the top of the world was not as long an experience as being on top of the hill in St. Peter," Beth notes, "but it was definitely an education all unto itself."

ordinator at the Indiana University Center for Student Leadership ■ **Mandy Prorok**, Saitama, Japan, is teaching English in Japan through the JET program ■ **Corey Robideau**, Victoria, is commercial lending officer/AVP for First Minnesota Bank ■ **Caittin Christensen Sanderson**, Golden Valley, is an interactive media planner for MRM Worldwide ■ **Candace Fuller Schissel**, St. Paul, is an infectious disease epidemiologist for the State of Minnesota ■ **Laura Sonnee**, Woodbury, is a sales specialist for Securian Financial Services ■ **Tammy Williams VanDeGrift**, Portland, OR, received a PhD. in computer science and engineering at University of Washington and is an assistant professor at University of Portland.

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Saldanha honored with two academic awards
Colin Saldanha '88, Lansdale, PA, is recipient of two academic awards, for research and teaching, from Lehigh University, where he is assistant professor of biology. In 2005 he received the Eleanor and Joseph F. Libsch Early Career Research Award.

Saldanha's research focuses on how the adult brain rewires itself under natural and pathological conditions. In 2006 he received the Donald B. and Dorothy L. Stabler Award for Excellence in Teaching. Saldanha teaches courses in integrative and comparative biology, comparative physiology, developmental neurobiology, and specialty courses. He also trains undergraduates, graduate students, and postdoctoral trainees in the scientific method through supervised individual projects in the laboratory. He has authored more than 25 peer-reviewed publications, and more than 30 conference abstracts, and is a regularly invited speaker at other colleges and universities. He earned a master of arts degree, a master of philosophy degree, and a Ph.D. in biopsychology at Columbia University.



Catching up with '89
Six Gusties from the Class of 1989 gathered for lunch at Sidney's restaurant recently to catch up. Front from left: Katie Klock Hines, Sara Hansen, Kathy Rausch; back: Melissa Johnson Kalal, Kristen Frost-Tibben, and Heather Miller-Cink.

Anderson named president of Patterson Dental
Scott Anderson '89, Eagan, was named president of Patterson Dental Supply, Inc., in June. Anderson previously served as Patterson's vice president of sales and prior to that as vice president of marketing.

In 14 years with Patterson Dental Supply, Anderson has held a number of executive positions including brand manager, national equipment manager, San Francisco branch manager, and Minnesota branch manager. He has also been elected to the board of directors of the Dental Trade Alliance, the trade association of dental manufacturers, distributors, and laboratories.





Fox 9 News Top Teacher

Kay Nolan Nowell '89, St. Michael, science teacher at St. Michael-Albertville High School, is recipient of a 2006 Fox 9 News Top Teacher award. She is one of nine recipients statewide of the Twin Cities television station's teaching award. Each winner of the 2006 Fox 9 Top Teacher awards also receives a party for up to 100 people from Subway Restaurants to use at their discretion.

Kay, pictured (left) with FOX 9's Tom Butler and Megan Fleegel, the student who nominated her, is responsible for bringing the "College in the Classroom" program through St. Cloud State University to St. Michael-Albertville and teaches college-level human biology. She's the teacher representative of Academic Standards and Professional Development for the Minnesota Department of Education.

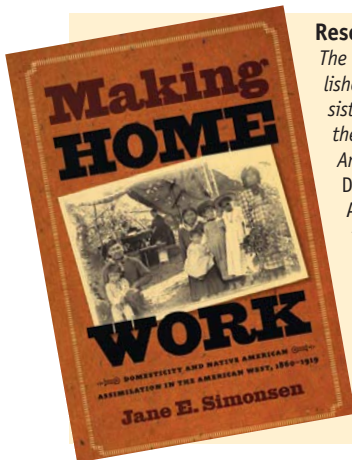


Kelliher heads Minnesota House Democrats

Margaret Anderson Kelliher '90, Minneapolis, became the new leader of Minnesota House Democrats last June, replacing Matt Entenza. Kelliher was elected representative of District 60A in 1998 and is serving her fourth term. A political science major at Gustavus, Kelliher has a master's degree in public administration from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. In 2004 she was honored as a Toll Fellow, a prestigious fellowship that is awarded by the Council of State Governments to just 40 leaders nationwide.

Researching domesticity

The University of North Carolina Press has published a new book by **Jane Simonsen '93**, assistant professor of interdisciplinary studies at the Honors College of the University of Central Arkansas at Conway. *Making Home Work: Domesticity and Native American Assimilation in the American West, 1860-1919* discusses the value of domestic labor among both white and indigenous women, arguing that as both cultural workers and domestic laborers insisted upon the value of their work to "civilization," they exposed the inequalities integral to both the nation and the household.



for Ecreativeworks ■ **Anndi Daleske** completed an MFA at Tulane University and is working for the Gary Rosenthal Collection in Kensington, MD, as well as designing sets for the St. Mark's Players on Capitol Hill ■ **Jessica Lundquist Doty**, East Grand Forks, is an RN in the surgical ICU at Altru Hospital ■ **Elisabeth Eisenmenger**, Chaska, is a senior business analyst at Marshall Field's ■ **Jack Evans**, St. Paul, is a student at William Mitchell College of Law ■ **Alison Gilmore**, Woodbury, is an elementary teacher in Inver Grove Heights ■ **Lindsey Price Hanson**, Maple Grove, is AmeriCorps program director at Rise Inc. ■ **Katie Hendrickson**, Mankato, is a financial aid assistant at South Central College ■ **Jeremiah Jazdzewski**, St. Louis Park, is a graduate student in environmental engineering at University of Minnesota ■ **Beth Jorgenson**, Wauwatosa, WI, is an intensive care nurse at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin ■ **Anna Felkey Lovas**, Hopkins, is employed by Pharmaceutical Product Development-Medical Device ■ **Nick Lovas**, Hopkins, is a youth director at Westwood Lutheran Church in St. Louis Park ■ **Kallie Lundmark**, St. Louis Park, is a design associate at Room and Board ■ **Emily Johnson Mamun**, Prior Lake, is a communications specialist at United Health Care and a graduate student in library science at College of St. Catherine ■ **Rob Mark**, Maple Plain, received a master's degree in electrical engineering and is a Ph.D. student at University of Minnesota ■ **Sarah Grimsby McQuade**, Inver Grove Heights, was highlighted in an article in the *StarTribune* as part of a "How I Got My Job" feature ■ **Bethany Mueller**, Chelan, WA, is staff coordinator in the ecumenical renewal center at Holden Village ■ **Josh Omang**, Chaska, is a teacher and coach in the Chaska ISD and received a master's degree in education at St. Mary's University ■ **Daniel Plagens**, Minnetonka, is a regional director at Ameriprise Financial ■ **Jay Reding**, Sioux Falls, SD, is a law student at University of St. Thomas ■ **Kristen Rosborough**, Bloomington, is a graduate student in education at University of St. Thomas, girls varsity tennis coach at Benilde-St. Margaret's, and a tennis professional at the Northwest Athletic Clubs ■ **Krista Schaefer**, Burnsville, received a master's degree from University of Minnesota ■ **Kristina Harter Schwartz**, Mounds View, works in the Roseville Area Schools ■ **Marnie Stenson Steele**,

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Mothers' brunch

Members of the **Class of 1994** meet for an annual brunch in April. Gathering this year at Belinda Pinney Hollman's home in Maple Grove, they celebrated the birth of five new babies over the past year. Pictured in the front row, from left, are **Staci Johnson Bauer**, **Stephanie Anderson Shaffer**, **Belinda Pinney Hollman**, **Angie Peterson Pitzl**; in the back row are **Lynette Moechnig Matzke**, **Nicole Libor Gnotke**, and **Tara Grunig Perre**.



Edlund earns service award and visit with President

Anna Hansen Edlund '92, Carver, received the President's Call to Service Award and a visit with President George W. Bush on the tarmac next to Air Force One during Bush's February 2 visit to Minnesota. Following her visit with President Bush, Edlund rode in the official motorcade to the 3M plant in Maplewood, where Bush spoke about technological innovation.

Edlund received her award for her volunteer work with the non-profit children's group "Funky Minds," which she founded. Funky Minds, located in the historic Funk Bank building in Carver, is a safe place for Carver children to create, learn, and have fun; a place where teachers, principals, parents, and teens offer a legacy of reading, projects about giving, and reaching out towards others. Building relationships between community-based organizations, educational institutions, business, governmental agencies, and faith-based organizations is part of the plan at Funky Minds. Read more at <funkybrains.org>.



Meet in Montana

These eight Gusties enjoyed a mini-reunion in Helena, MT. From left: **Sheryl Horton '00**, **Brian Choc '00**, **Kelda Furbush Choc '00**, **Mike Bukowski '99**, **Bipasha Barua '01**, **Virginia Lindgren '02**, **Jim Moechnig '99**, and **Naomi Bowman '99**.

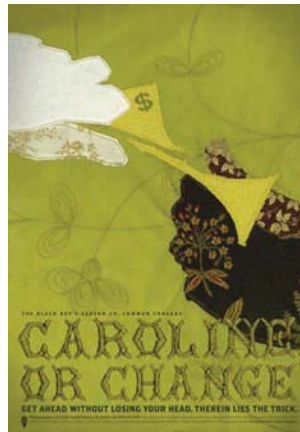


Places third in international speaking contest

Kristin Naumann Mannix '94, associate director at Diversity Council in Rochester, MN, entertained the audience at the District 6 Toastmasters Spring Convention in Minneapolis last May with a speech titled "Reach Your Peak" and took home third-place honors for her effort. She is pictured (second from right) with her trophy and, from left, **Jeannette Bauch**, District 6 lt. governor of education; **Theo Black**, District 6 governor; and **Pat Croal**, District 6 lt. governor of marketing.

Presenting a speech that uses lessons from hiking, Mannix, a member of the Rochester Chamber Toastmasters club, held attention in the packed room as she strapped on her 54-pound backpack, which represented the 54 pounds that she has lost so far as part of her own personal goal. She had won three prior contests at the Club, Area, Division levels to qualify for the District 6 contest.

District 6, which includes most of Minnesota (excluding some parts in northwestern and southwestern counties) and the northwestern area of the Province of Ontario, comprises more than 250 clubs and 4,500 members. Toastmasters International is a non-profit organization founded in 1924 to foster effective thinking, listening, and speaking. Today, there are more than 211,000 members in 90 countries benefiting from their participation in what has become the world's largest organization devoted to communication and leadership development.



Pencil winner

Bill Eckloff '95, St. Louis, MO, received a Bronze Pencil in the design category at the 2006 One Show, the premier international advertising award show held at Lincoln Center in New York City in May. Eckloff, who works for the Rodgers Townsend agency, was honored for his work on a non-profit promotional project, "Common Threads," developed for the St. Louis Black Repertory Theater. A poster from the series is shown above. About 60 One Show, One Show Design, and One Show Interactive winners were selected from nearly 17,000 total entries from 55 countries.

Differences Across Court-Referred Client Populations in Psychological Status and Use of Services," at the American Psychological Association divisional meeting ■ **Karolina Konczyk**, St. Paul, is a law student at William Mitchell ■ **Jenny Kramer**, Minneapolis, is interning at

Weber/Shandwick Worldwide ■ **Kent Kramer**, Marine on St. Croix, is an underwriter at Country Insurance ■ **Linda Lee**, Franklin, OH, is a youth worker at the Talbert House/North Star ■ **Julie Miller**, Minneapolis, is a certified athletic trainer at NovaCare Rehabilitation ■ **Tom Nelson**, Woodbury, is a lab technician at University of Minnesota ■ **KaLeah Norman**, Minneapolis, is a Spanish instructor at University Language Center ■ **Kate Riggs**, St. Peter, is an editor for the Creative Company in Mankato ■ **Sheila Rodel**, Mankato, is a personal trainer at the YMCA in Mankato ■ **Sarah Schock**, Minnetonka, is event manager for Marriott Southwest ■ **Andy Smith**, Whitewater, WI, teaches English at Wonderlund Elementary School ■ **Jeff Stewart**, Yankton, SD, is manager at Tradehome Shoes ■ **Josie Thulien**, Madelia, is a graduate student in teaching life science at Minnesota State University, Mankato ■ **Jenny Vigoren**, Madison, WI, this summer received a U.S. Department of Education FLAS fellowship to attend University of Wisconsin's Summer Arabic and Persian immersion program and in the fall will be an intern at l'Association Service Social Familial Migrants in France ■ **Andy Waller**, Shakopee, has been substitute teaching in the Shakopee ISD ■ **Emily Wenzel**, Richfield, is an interviewer and recruiter for ProStaff.

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Beppe Fongaro

Weddings

Robert Peterson '74 and Cindy Peterson, 6/3/06, Broken Arrow, OK.

Terry Pederson '76 and Lorrie Niemann, 5/26/06, Prior Lake, MN.

Brian Bostrom '77 and Jill Ferhark, 6/17/06, St. Paul, MN.

Gail Schlichting '78 and Paul Graves, 1/1/06, Littleton, CO.

Mae Beth Lindstrom '83 and David Wold, 5/6/06, Slayton, MN.

Babette Gordon '86 and Kevin Kellner, 3/26/05, Chesapeake, VA.

Mike Woizeschke '87 and Heide Woizeschke, 6/20/04, Eden Prairie, MN.

Julia Nephew '88 and Eric Bergman, 8/7/04, Glen Ellyn, IL.

Clara Westberg '90 and **Karl Rusch '91**, 6/3/06, St. Paul, MN.

Darcey Price '91 and **Jay Schoenebeck '80**, 6/3/06, New Prague, MN.

Becky Pearson '94 and Jim Owens, 10/29/05, Woodbury, MN.

Cory Civilla '95 and Lori Warren, 4/8/06, Oklahoma City, OK.

Shannon Sutton '95 and Steve Helland, 5/20/06, Bloomington, MN.

Rachel Henderson '97 and Mark King, 5/18/06, Laurel, MD.

Lisa Mueller '97 and Kyle Christensen, 4/21/06, Montvale, NJ.

Vihra Sotirova '97 and Dan Colosi, 10/1/05, Terryville, CT.

Kari Bergeland '98 and Jay Kopischke, 7/30/05, Minneapolis, MN.

Melissa Johnson '98 and Adam Nelson, 8/21/04, St. Paul, MN.

Dan Kelly '98 and Karen Kulbe, 8/20/05, Alexandria, VA.

Meghan Allen '99 and Matthew Eliason, Somerville, MA.

Candace Fuller '99 and Karl Schissel, 10/23/05, St. Paul, MN.

Jarrod Johnson '99 and Deanna DiPizio, 10/1/05, Dallas, TX.

Crystal Laurvick '99 and Aaron O'Connor, 4/1/06, Joondanna, W.A., Australia.

Nathan Meyer '99 and Sonali Rajan, 4/8/06, Minneapolis, MN.

Kelda Furbush '00 and **Brian Choc '99**, 4/1/06, Boulder, CO.

Erica Hanson '00 and Tim Swanson, 2/4/06, Chanhassen, MN.

Kristel Lee '00 and Roque Arcilla, Duluth, MN.

Carrie Stefaniak '00 and Jeff Bertsch, 5/27/06, Farmington, MN.

Jennifer Tracy '00 and Jason Gross, 3/25/06, Plymouth, MN.

Jill Chaffee '01 and Jason Erdman, 5/6/06, Savage, MN.

Samantha Edwards '01 and Chad Fuller, 9/10/05, Savage, MN.

Lindsay Johnson '01 and **Andrew Thul '01**, 9/24/05, Chaska, MN.

Bjorn Knudson '01 and Toni Mitchell, 4/8/06, Apple Valley, MN.

Cameron Piper '01 and John Meerdink, 4/9/05, Champaign, IL.

Dave Benson '02 and Amber Banark, 6/17/06, Omaha, NE.

Erika Carls '02 and **Brendan Johnston '05**, 7/16/05, Lauderdale, MN.

Kristin Marie Johnson '02 and Steve Knutson, 5/21/05, St. Paul, MN.

Leigh Kunelius '02 and Randy King, 6/3/06, Caledonia, MN.

Angela Muck '02 and **Scott Davis '02**, 5/16/06, Omaha, NE.

Cory Quammen '02 and Sandra Valnes, 6/11/05, Durham, NC.

Alison Routh '02 and Jesse Nelson, 4/8/06, Kerkhoven, MN.

Anna Battisti '03 and Jason Arnebeck, 8/19/05, Duluth, MN.

Alison Doppelhammer '03 and Alexander Gorsevski, 6/3/06, Boulder, CO.

Kristina Harter '03 and **Matt Schwartz '04**, 11/6/04, Mounds View, MN.

Jessica Lundquist '03 and Brian Doty, 12/31/05, East Grand Forks, MN.

Meghan O'Neil '03 and Brandon Lerch, 1/14/06, Arlington, VA.

Jennifer Snyder '03 and Benjamin Martinez, 5/14/05, Apple Valley, MN.

Kelli Swanson '03 and Doug Matzek, 5/6/06, St. Paul, MN.

Erica Wenger '03 and **Doug Burman '03**, 7/16/05, St. Francis, MN.

Candice Cosens '04 and Rodney Sikel, 6/10/06, Shakopee, MN.

Adam Hennen '04 and Gina Pustovar, 4/29/06, White Bear Lake, MN.

Pat Tatro '04 and Heidi Hulke, Madelia, MN.

Kimberly Thompson '04 and Josh Holien, 4/6/06, St. Anthony Village, MN.

Emily Ayers-Johnson '05 and **Adam Langenfeld '06**, 6/24/06, Champaign, IL.

Miriam Bullard '05 and **Nathan Rauk '05**, 4/29/06, Minnetonka, MN.

Melanie Jeseritz '05 and Cory Netland, 1/28/06, Wood Lake, MN.

Laura Johnson '05 and Matthew Stelter, 11/19/05, Mankato, MN.



Backpack quarterback

Nick Eyde still had the urge to play some football after graduating from Gustavus in 2001. Just days after commencement, he had contacted several European teams through their websites and edged out two former Division I-AA quarterbacks in a race to secure a passport. He flew to Hohenems, Austria, on a Friday and played for the Cineplex Blue Devils the next day. His experiences during the past six seasons were chronicled in a feature on Sports Illustrated's website, *SI.com*, in April.

American football is fairly low on the sports popularity scale in Austria and Italy, where Eyde has been happily living his dream. "When I tell people what I do, they say, 'Oh, rugby?'" he says. But the atmosphere is similar to the college game: mascots, halftime shows, and crowds of 3,000–6,000 fans cheering on a team comprising local talent, diehard former collegians, and a few NFL never-weres.

A series of one-year contracts has taken Eyde from Hohenems to the Rome Ducks, the Civitanova Yankees, the Reggio Emilia Hogs, the Innsbruck Tyrolian Raiders, and now the Bolzano Giants, a Serie A team in the Italian league whose season runs from April to July. A high school quarterback who played wide receiver at Gustavus, he says that his ability to improvise on the run has made him attractive as a quarterback to teams in leagues in which many players hold other day jobs and can't always make it to practice. Each team is allowed only five foreigners on its roster, and most players see time on both offense and defense. Asked to compare relative strengths, Eyde allows that "the strongest teams in Italy and Austria can contend with the top teams in [the NCAA's] Division III."

Eyde is content for now to spend six months each year in Europe with his living and travel expenses covered by his team, occasionally taking odd jobs to make extra cash (such as serving as a translator for David Letterman's production crew at the Turin Olympics). During the offseason in the United States, he's made ends meet with stints as a substitute teacher in Michigan, a dodgeball ref in Minneapolis, and a human resources assistant in Los Angeles.

"To me, this is more than just about football," says Eyde, who considered an offer from Arena 2 last fall but decided to stay in Europe and write a book about his experiences. "It's about a passion to be part of something beyond the grip of an ordinary life. Sure, I've sacrificed a great deal of normalcy and am subject to a lot of strange looks when I talk about what I do, but such is life."



Sunkist floats, anyone?

In May 2002, while living in Prairie View Residence Hall, Joe Beer and Nick Arth began their annual Sunkist float tradition to celebrate the last day of classes. Now in its fifth year, the Sunkist Float Party continues to be a popular event among former Gusties, with the Beers even making a surprise appearance this year driving in from Denver, CO, to Plymouth, MN, for the big night. Pictured from left are **Paul Rohde '03**, **Chris Vaubel '03**, **Nate Bergengren '03**, **Isaac Johnson '02**, **Jenny Lingle Beer '03**, **Arshad Bachelani '02**, **Joe Beer '03**, **Nick Arth '03**, **Joe Erickson '03**, **Monica Paulson '03**, and **Adam Smith '03**.



Siblings visit in South Africa

As he neared the end of his Peace Corps service in rural education in the Mpumalanga province of South Africa, **Kevin Quealy '03** enjoyed a visit last January from his sister, **Shannon '07**, and brother, **Tim**, who attended Gustavus as a first-year student. Kevin (left) and his siblings are pictured at the uKhahlamba Drakensberg Park in South Africa.

Births

Clare, to **Wally Burchill '83** and Patricia Burchill, 8/5/05.
Nathan, by adoption from People's Republic of China, to **Kathy Larson Bergquist '86** and **Tom Bergquist '83**, born 5/8/04, adopted 3/26/06.

Anton, to **Julie Pinomaki '86** and Daniel Pfarr, 8/3/05.
Leo, to **Linda Ieleja Gerstman '87** and Gary Gerstman, 2/6/06.
Kate, to **Mike Woizeschke '87** and Heide Woizeschke, 4/20/05.
Henry, to **Jodie Carlson '88** and **Matthew Huron '87**, 4/7/05.
Madison, to **Lisa Egnell Walker '88** and Paul Walker, 7/5/05.

Henry, to **Lisa Reinicke Chapon '91** and Sidney Chapon, 8/1/05.
Justin, to **Steve Schramm '91** and Kate Schramm, 2/24/06.
Maia, to **Ginya Truitt Nakata '91** and Theodore Nakata, 8/22/05.
Grant, to **Pam Stuedemann Warren '91** and Steve Warren, 11/22/05.
Lillian, to **Susan Larson Allen '92** and **Erik Allen '92**, 1/1/05.
William, to **Teri Bailey Anderson '92** and Scott Anderson, 6/9/05.
Avery, to **Alanna Cotch '92** and **Rob Calhoon '91**, 6/17/05.
Ava, to **Jessica Peterson DiSano '92** and Kevin DiSano, 4/27/06.
Karina, to **Sheryl Russeth Elvestrom '92** and **James D. Elvestrom '92**, 9/29/05.
Kaden, to **Kirk Hillquist '92** and Tracey A. Hillquist, 9/1/05.
Dietrich, to **David Jahnke '92** and Hyun-Hwae Kim, 10/25/05.
Julia, to **Karla Kilian '92** and Thomas Ripplinger, 5/23/05.
Liam, to **Amy Reinsch Saldanha '92** and **Kenneth Saldanha '93**, 4/17/05.
Casey, to **Margy Jones Champion '93** and **Tim Champion '91**, 5/20/05.
Rowen, to **Nick Carlson '93** and Allison Maxim Carlson, 9/11/05.
Marcus, to **Tammi Wenstrom Congdon '93** and **Rob Congdon '93**, 12/8/05.
Abbe, to **Kirsten Lipke Johnson '93** and Darryl Johnson, 6/9/05.
Caleb, to **Michelle Berggren Kilroy '93** and Peter Kilroy, 2/22/06.
Ella, to **Shannon O'Neill Kratochvil '93** and Andrew Kratochvil, 2/14/06.
Olivia, to **Rachel Sinke Malsom '93** and Jesse Malsom, 4/11/06.
Anders, to **Rolf Olson '93** and Laura Garcia Olson, 5/18/06.
Braylon, to **Trent Taylor '93** and Wendy Taylor, 7/10/04.
Henry, to **Brian Towne '93** and Michelle Towne, 3/24/06.
William, to **William Voelker '93** and Virginia Voelker, 2/9/06.
Jack, to **Becky Van Schooten Buchanan '94** and Chris Buchanan, 2/3/06.
Travis, to **Mark Domschot '94** and Katy Domschot, 1/4/05.
Claire, to **Karrie Whipple Duncan '94** and Donald Duncan, 2/16/06.
Claire, to **Tracy Ottersen Helgerson '94** and Matthew Helgerson, 2/17/06.
Anna, to **Jacob Knaus '94** and Heidi Knaus, 1/28/05.
Evan, to **Kristine Hinds MacLean '94** and **Scott MacLean '94**, 12/21/05.
Katherine, to **Mary Crippen Miklethun '94** and David Miklethun, 4/21/06.



Avery, to **Matt Miller '94** and Sharon Miller, 4/4/06.

Amaya, to **Anastasia Norton '94** and **Matthew Scherer '93**, 12/12/05.

Matthew, to **Jenny Bisek Otterness '94** and **Pete Otterness '94**, 5/20/06.

Brendan, to **Britta Swanson Peterson '94** and **Dan Peterson '94**, 2/25/06.

Amelia, to **Matthew Pettis '94** and Christy Pettis, 3/12/05.

Madeline, to **Melissa Schmit '94** and Dennis Schmit, 7/2/05.

Erika, to **Deb Boelter Dahlby '95** and **Jeff Dahlby '95**, 4/8/06.

Abigail, to **Eric DeMaster '95**, 12/7/05.

Samuel, to **Stacy McMurtry Freimuth '95** and **Robert Freimuth '95**, 5/3/06.

Lillian, to **Traese Schulz Kuhl '95** and Mitchell Kuhl, 4/4/05.

Jenna, to **Roxy Wagener Myhre '95** and Derek Myhre, 2/24/06.

Abigail, to **Ross Nelson '95** and Charlotte Nelson, 11/29/05.

Jack, to **Kari Bisbee O'Connell '95** and Chris O'Connell, 12/7/05.

Ellie, to **Tedd Parker '95** and Sara Parker, 12/12/05.

Nels, to **Nels Pierson '95** and Nicole Pierson, 10/8/05.

Griffin, to **Lisa Martin Stone '95** and Paul Stone, 3/26/06.

Owen, to **Stephen Strege '95** and Aimee Strege, 5/8/06.

Meredith, to **Mark Umbreit '95** and Jennifer Umbreit, 10/11/05.

Samuel, to **Michelle Randall Ament '96** and Brian Ament, 7/11/05.

Langley, to **Libby Mensing Esterle '96** and Kenneth Esterle, 4/10/06.

Jade, to **Jonelle Rehse Intihar '96** and Todd Intihar, 4/4/06.

Aymara, to **Denise Willey Johnson '96** and **Ryan S. Johnson '96**, 1/2/06.

Quinn, to **Shean McManus '96** and Laura McManus, 2/17/06.

Evan, to **Rebecca Crosbie Meyer '96** and Nathan Meyer, 1/23/06.

Keaton, to **Amy Schoeneck Rother '96** and **Joshua Rother '96**, 2/8/06.

Elizabeth, to **Heidi Jacobsen Simons '96** and Michael Simons, 3/23/06.

Lucia, to **Heather Duggan Anderson '97** and Kyle Anderson, 9/10/05.

Ryan, to **Mary Babel '97** and Bob Tzucker, 5/3/06.

Abigail, to **Betsy Dornan Bauler '97** and Eric Bauler, 6/30/05.

Morgan, to **Neil Bentley '97** and Alison Bentley, 12/10/05.

Greta, to **Sarah Marzolf Christensen '97** and Matthew Christensen, 2/24/05.



Gusties in Guatemala

*Caught by the camera as they hiked to the top of Pacaya volcano in Guatemala were these Gusties and a friend. Classmates had ventured to the Central American country to connect with **Monica Paulson '03**, who was just finishing two years of Peace Corps service in Guatemala. Pictured from left are Paulson, Sarah Martyn, **Aaron Crowell '03**, **Phillip Graeve '03**, and **Amanda Young '03**.*

Maxwell, to **Holly Wangsness Dau '97** and Jacob Dau, 4/20/06.

Liv, to **Carrie Swanson Enstad '97** and **Chris Enstad '96**, 1/20/06.

Grady, to **Alison Rucinski Goodwin '97** and **Geoffrey Goodwin '96**, 3/27/06.

Alexander, to **Joshua Johnson '97** and Michele Johnson, 11/27/05.

Caroline, to **Heather Senske Kinkeade '97** and **Joshua Kinkeade '96**, 3/29/06.

Bronwyn, to **Bradley Nuss '97** and Rebecca Nuss, 5/9/06.

Jonah, to **Lee Peterson '97** and Danielle Peterson, 4/6/05.

Reagan, to **Jennie Wald Phillips '97** and Kimo Phillips, 1/4/06.

Gage, to **Kristi Edmondson Samaddar '97** and Kris Samaddar, 1/4/06.

Jordan, to **Carrie Bauer Schliep '97** and Fredrick Schliep, 3/2/06.

Sophia, to **Kate Blanchard Shiroff '97** and Jason Shiroff, 3/3/06.

Lucille, to **Erin Johnson Turner '97** and **Jonathan Turner '97**, 2/4/06.

Rebecca, to **Lauren Hockert Ciarochi '98** and Joel Ciarochi, 2/24/05.

Maxwell, to **Jenny Smith Hoernemann '98** and Cory Hoernemann, 2/13/06.

McKenna, to **Angela Colt Hultgren '98** and **James Hultgren '97**, 10/31/05.



Graduates of Tulane med school

***Kyle Allen** and **Allison Opay**, both Class of 2002, graduated from the Tulane University School of Medicine on May 13.*

Lewis, to **Lisa Hinds Jemtrud '98** and Troy Jemtrud, 3/25/06.

Hazel, to **Alison LeCocq Carda '98** and **Chad Carda '98**, 12/17/05.

Jeremy, to **Corey Sanborn '98** and Jessica Sanborn, 10/4/05.

Jacob, to **Sheila Schonrock Schultz '98** and Bob Schultz, 4/23/06.

Ezra, to **LaDawn Osmundson Severin '98** and Mike Severin, 4/24/06.

Natalie, to **Andy Widen '98** and Teresa Widen, 5/27/06.

Jaiden, to **Aleida George Zollman '98** and Ryan Zollman, 8/15/05.

Enoch, to **Aimee Hall Anderson '99** and **Matthew Anderson '97**, 6/17/05.

Braden, to **Kristy Howell Antilla '99** and Bradley Antilla, 11/9/05.

Warner, to **Nathan Bannick '99** and Danielle Bannick, 1/28/05.



Kathmandu trio

Amit Bohara '04 (right) played host when two friends, **Kate Hoeschen '04** (left) and **Lonnie Ellis '03**, visited Nepal recently. The three met up in Kathmandu and traveled around the country together for two weeks. Highlights of the trip included elephant rides, a near-death experience with a rhino, and meeting Amit's family.



Gusties gather . . . in Iraq

Two Gustavus grads from the **Class of 2004** recently ran into each other at Al Asad, Iraq. Second Lt. **Patrick Tatro** (right) is an infantry platoon leader in **C Company 2, 135th Infantry Battalion, part of the Minnesota National Guard**. **Doug Pugh** is a platoon commander of a transport platoon in **Combat Logistics Battalion 7 of the U.S. Marines**. Tatro and Pugh both escort convoys all over western Iraq.

Evelyn, to **Rebecca LaZerte Biederman '99** and **Jason Biederman '00**, 10/7/05.
Svea, to **Britt Miller Carlson '99** and **Adam Carlson '00**, 5/9/05.
Elizabeth, to **Emily Johnson Coleman '99** and **Patrick Coleman**, 1/18/06.
Abraham, to **Naomi Bowman Graves '99** and **Jason Graves**, 9/25/05.

Walker, to **Lisa Froemming Hennen '99** and **Jonathan Hennen '99**, 8/14/05.
Rece, to **Kate Untiedt Illies '99** and **Rob Illies '89**, 3/21/05.
Evan, to **Shane McClinton '99** and **Michaelyn McClinton**, 10/7/05.
Maia, to **Kari Smith Rankin '99** and **Gregg Rankin**, 3/1/06.

Twins, Ryan and Connor, to **Kari Pedersen Severson '99** and **David Severson**, 3/21/06
Twins, Ethan and Mason to **Sarah Romsdahl Anderson '00** and **Karl Anderson**, 4/6/06
Callie, to **Melaina Thorson Bjorklund '00** and **Eric Bjorklund '96**, 2/20/06.
Henry, to **Heidi Wegner Ha '00** and **Khoa Ha**, 7/18/05.
Greta, to **Brady Hahn '00** and **Stacy Hahn**, 6/7/06
Reid, to **Jason Henderson '00** and **Amy A. Henderson**, 8/15/05.
Isabelle, to **Heather Wilson Sehnert '00** and **Colin Sehnert '00**, 4/20/06.
Seth, to **Lisa Davis Young '00** and **Timothy Young**, 3/7/06.
Paker, to **Margo Boie Moreno '01** and **Daniel Moreno**, 4/27/05.
Connor, to **Christopher Okey '01** and **Jessica Okey**, 5/23/06.
Lucy, to **Emily Youngman Ross '01** and **Kevin Ross**, 3/9/06.
Dominic, to **Mary Beth Callahan Schaefer '01** and **Matt Schaefer '00**, 1/30/06.
Annie, to **Lisa Veenhuis Schoen '01** and **Jesse R. Schoen '98**, 1/20/06.
William, to **Jamie Schultz Bryson '02**, 6/2/05.
Finn, to **Keely Johnson Pearson '02** and **Mickey Pearson '01**, 4/13/06.
Ethan, to **Laura Hanson Spanier '02** and **Chad Spanier**, 7/5/05.

Ford, to **Lindsay Townsend Youngdahl '02** and **Eric Youngdahl '95**, 2/20/06.

In Memoriam

Marion Jacobson '32, St. Maries, ID.
Ralph O. Erickson '35, Haverford, PA, on March 24, 2006. He was a retired biology professor at University of Pennsylvania and had researched the limestone glades of the Ozarks where a native variety of clematis was named for him. He is survived by his wife, Elinor, two daughters, and brother Willis '45.
Anna Marie Sandahl Swenson '37, Shreveport, LA, on March 7, 2006. She was previously employed by Gifts of Nature and is survived by three children.
Grace Palmer Peterson '38, Chisago City, MN, on June 4, 2006. She had worked at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church and is survived by three children including Jon '66 and Martha Bevan '69.
Stanley N. Mortenson '40, St. Pete Beach, FL, on October 26, 2004. He practiced law for 36 years, served as a municipal judge, and is survived by his wife, Darleen, one daughter, and one son.
Christian N. Swenson '40, Shreveport, LA, on February 24, 2006. He was professor emeritus at Bethany College in Lindsborg, KS, and is survived by three children.
Louis Benson '41, Watertown, MN, on May 29, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Adeline, and four children including Donald '63 and Susan Rettke '68.
Les Lindell '42, Rosemount, MN, on June 24, 2006. He was retired principal of Farmington High School and is survived by two daughters, including Kristine Lindell-Madson '77, and a son, John '81.
Chester Tomich '42, Arlington, VA, on April 3, 2006. He was a retired program specialist with the U.S. Department of Labor.
Naomi E. Hokanson '43, St. Paul, MN, on March 26, 2006. She was a retired high school librarian in St. James, Stillwater, St. Paul, and Roseville schools.
Arline Hart Jones '43, New Berlin, WI, on December 7, 2005. She was active in numerous community organizations and is survived by her husband, Walter,



and three children, including Susan Turgeon '70.

Robert Herhold '46, Palo Alto, CA, on April 18, 2006. He was retired pastor of Christ the King Lutheran Church, Palo Alto, and is survived by his wife, Muriel, two sons, and two daughters.

Marilyn Spencer Schwarz '47, Des Moines, IA, on June 16, 2006. She was a retired music teacher of Woodlawn Elementary School, serving the Des Moines Public Schools for 42 years.

Earl Berndtson '49, Minneapolis, on July 9, 2006. He was a retired ELCA pastor and is survived by his wife, Pauline, and one daughter.

Donn Escher '50, Brooklyn Center, MN, on March 15, 2006. He was retired director of employee relations for the State of Minnesota Department of Education and is survived by four children and granddaughter Danielle '08.

Robert A. Sjostrom '51, Eden Prairie, MN, on April 23, 2006. He was a retired English teacher and coach at St. Louis Park ISD #283 for 33 years and is survived by his wife, Helen, and two children.

Carolyn Huldeen Dull '52, St. Louis Park, MN, on March 16, 2006. She was a retired nurse and is survived by her husband, Duane, and four children.

Harold L. Horton '52, Hopkins, MN, on February 19, 2006. He was retired division vice president for National Car Rental and is survived by three children including Leslie Nordberg '76 and Nancy Larson '78 and grandchildren including Eric Nordberg '03, Joni Nordberg '06, Emily Larson '04, and Heidi Larson '05.

Elsie Bergquist Seymour '52, Minneapolis, MN, on June 12, 2006. She is survived by her husband, Paul, and four children including John '75.

Weldon M. Nelson Jr. '54, Jamestown, NY, on April 15, 2006. He was retired vice president of finance and secretary/treasurer of Dowcraft Corporation and is survived by his wife, Janis, and three children.

Donald Churchill '55, Appleton, WI, on June 22, 2006. He was retired from Appleton Papers and is survived by three daughters including Robyn '83 and sister Barbara Stangler '57.

Ruth Hanson Haberman '56, on July 27, 2006. She was a retired chaplain and is survived by two



2004 grads take a hike

Five Gustie friends met in Ft. Collins, CO, last April to hike Horse Tooth in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. From left are Sarah Timmerman '04, Ntxuam Vang '04, Amy Koskela '04, Martha Diedrichsen '04, and Andrea Hodapp '04.



Toast to the Class of 2006

The Class of 2006 was formally welcomed into the Alumni Association with a toast at the Senior Fiesta, an outdoor event that kicked off Senior Week activities. Participating in the toast were, from left, new class agents Anders Eckman, Katie Parks, Jessica Olson, Matt Forbes, Matt Swenson, Mollie Peterson, and Alumni Director Randall Stuckey '83.

sons including David Westlund '80, daughter Karen Westlund Kirby '86, and one brother.

Harvey Golberg '57, on July 12, 2005. He was a retired teacher for Owatonna ISD #761 and is survived by his wife, Joyce, and three sons including Kent '80 and Scott '81.

Donald Farringer '63, Redwood Falls, MN, on June 18, 2006. He was a former educator, school administrator, businessman, and

most recently the night auditor for the Dakota Inn. He is survived by his wife, Gloria, and two daughters.

Richard Lofgren '65, St. Cloud, MN, on July 31, 2006. He was employed by Orion Optical Lab and is survived by his wife, Gail, two sons, father Carl '40, brothers Dennis' 70 and Randall '75, and sister Lori Amundson '81.

Mark G. Leonardson '66, Grand Lodge, MI, on April 6, 2006. He

was senior purchasing agent for Abbott Laboratories and is survived by his sister, Sonia Maurer '58.

Kathryn Armstrong Bonner '67, on February 9, 2006. She was a businesswoman and is survived by her husband, Michael, and five children.

Chuck L. Boline '68, Rochester, MN, on March 24, 2006. He was a retired English and speech teacher for the Rochester School District



Service and retirement recognition

The Gustavus Alumni Association honored faculty and administrators with service and retirement awards at a banquet last May.



25 Years

Front row from left: **Jeffrey Rosoff**, professor of mathematics and computer science; **John Lammert**, associate professor of biology; and **Rick Orpen**, professor of music. Back row: **Michael Haeuser**, professor, academic librarian, and college archivist; and **Mark Kruger**, professor of psychology.



30 Years

John Holte, professor of mathematics and computer science; and **Candace Witte**, assistant director of dining services. Not pictured: **Judy Douglas**, coordinator of alcohol and drug education; and **Linnea Wren**, professor of art and art history.



35 Years

Front row: **Greg Mason**, professor of English; and **Larry Potts**, professor of chemistry. Back row: **Kathie Martin**, interlibrary loan manager; and **Rob Gardner**, professor of theatre and dance. Not pictured: **Ron Rietz**, professor of mathematics and computer science.

40 Years
Allan Splittgerber, professor of chemistry.



Retirees

Front row: **Owen Sammelson '58**, vice president for administration; and **Al Pearson**, associate professor of education. Back row: **Carol Moline**, study abroad adviser. Not pictured: **Ruth Giles**, adjunct professor of music.



and is survived by his wife, Connie, two children including Eric '01, and sister Judy Larson '66.

Noell Nelson Reed '69, North Mankato, MN, on July 12, 2006. She was executive director of the Summit Center in Mankato, and is survived by her husband, Joel, one son, one daughter, two stepchildren, and two brothers.

John Ewalt '79, Tacoma, WA, on July 8, 2006. He was retired regional marketing director for Oppenheimer Funds Management and is survived by three sons and two daughters.

Ken J. Muth '82, Dellwood, MN, on June 7, 2006. He worked as a computer and management consultant. He is survived by his wife, Carol (Salmon '83), and two children.

Jeanette Wayne Pospel '82, Wayzata, MN, on May 22, 2006. She was a teacher at The Whole Learning School and is survived by her husband, Dean '81, and three children.

Charles Parnell '87, Shorewood, MN, on July 12, 2006. He was owner of ParTek Supply Inc. and is survived by his wife, Amy (Peterson '89), two daughters, and two sons.

Alicia Golembeski '02, Boulder, CO, on July 22, 2006, accidentally while hiking. She was a doctoral student at the University of Colorado and is survived by her parents.

Jeanna Rogers, on June 5, 2006. She had worked as a custodian at Gustavus since 1993.

Angeles Valberg, on June 26, 2006. She was a custodian in the library and Uhler Hall at Gustavus, 1991-92 and 2000-2006, and is survived by one daughter and one son.

(Correction) **Eric Lund '81**, Minneapolis, MN, on April 4, 2006. He was an information architect for Amcom Corporation and is survived by his wife, Gaye Melton, three daughters, parents John and Suzanne (Anderson) '53 '53, one sister, and brothers Mark '83 and Peter '87.



Karen Bossart Rusthoven '66

“My Gustavus education left me with the assurance that my life had a purpose that was directly related to my faith,” says Karen Bossart Rusthoven '66, who was recognized with a Distinguished Alumni Citation in education at the Gustavus Alumni Association banquet held on May 27 at the College. “For me, my work in education has always been my ‘calling.’ My professional journey has been a journey of faith. Having experienced, at Gustavus, the power of education to transcend the ordinary and to lead us to new heights of beauty and truth, it has been my life’s work to offer all children such an education.”

Rusthoven co-founded a charter school, Community of Peace Academy, on the east side of St. Paul, Minn., in 1995. The academy’s learning environment is based upon her belief that human relationships must be the focus of education, and that all else derives from the relationships formed. She maintains that you can’t talk about academic excellence until you deal with the “human piece”—how individuals behave, how they treat each other.

In 2003, the school was one of 10 in the United States to receive a National School of Charter Award from the Character Education Partnership in Washington, D.C. A year later, the U.S. Department of Education chose Community of Peace Academy as one of eight exemplary models to be profiled in a book titled *Successful Charter Schools*.

After teaching in public schools for six years following her graduation from Gustavus, Rusthoven had accepted a position in 1976 as a family-school liaison at a Catholic school, where she discovered a very different atmosphere from that existing in the public system, one in which everyone was equally esteemed. Serving 16 years as a parochial teacher and principal, she became convinced that the Catholic school model offered something of value that could be adapted to public education: a principle of ethics and caring for others—“peacebuilding”—that is universal to all religions. Community of Peace Academy is the outcome of that belief.

While the academy’s enrollment is at least 90 percent students of color (more than 65 percent Hmong, 20 percent Black of which about 3 percent

Distinguished Alumni Citation – Karen Bossart Rusthoven '66

The value of peacebuilding

are recent immigrants from Africa, and another 5 percent Hispanic), Rusthoven, now the school’s principal, maintains that the emphasis is on *ethical* rather than *multicultural* education. “What we try to do here,” she says, “is teach an ethic of caring, and an ethic of community, and an ethic of conflict prevention that is kind of universal.”

Community of Peace Academy initially served primary grades K–5 but expanded to include K–12 by 2002 to meet families’ demand as students got older and did not wish to leave the “peace” environment.

With her success in applying values and ethics to public education, Rusthoven is now a frequent presenter at educational conferences. She is also in the process of writing a book about her work.

Susan Semple-Rowland '77 has been working for 20 years to identify a gene mutation that causes blindness in infants at birth and to develop an effective gene therapy to restore sight. And now it appears that her lab at the University of Florida, Gainesville, has made a breakthrough that will lead to overcoming this type of blindness.

For her persistence in working toward her goals, and her belief that she would eventually succeed, Semple-Rowland has earned a 2006 Distinguished Alumni Citation in neuroscience, which she accepted at the alumni banquet held on May 27, during Commencement Weekend.

Semple-Rowland has specialized in the study of retinal disease in the avian model of Leber congenital amaurosis type 1 (LCA1, an inherited disease that affects human infants at birth and the chicken model at hatching). Chickens are an ideal animal



Susan Semple Rowland '77

treatment we have developed has a real shot of being effective in humans.”

Semple-Rowland is now a full professor of neuroscience, director of the neuroscience IDP graduate program, and investigator for the McKnight Brain Institute at the University of Florida. She joined the university faculty in 1981 after taking an M.Sc. degree in psychobiology from the University of

Pittsburgh in 1979. She earned her Ph.D. in neuroscience from Florida in 1986 and followed with three years of post-doc work in ophthalmology before

returning to the department of neuroscience, where she was granted tenure in 2000 and now directs her own lab. She has earned Exemplary Teacher Awards from the UF College of Medicine twice—in 2003 and 2006.

“We can do amazing things in animal models,” Semple-Rowland says about her research, “but this work can’t be done quickly. That’s the hardest thing—knowing there are people who need these treatments now. But we work as fast as we can. You’ll see the first treatments for some of these genetic eye diseases soon, especially after the groundwork for an approved therapy is laid and the therapy works.”

Distinguished Alumni Citation – Susan Semple Rowland '77

Chickens, viruses, and the miracle of sight

model for LCA1 as they have the same highly detailed retinal structure as primates and are subject to a hereditary vision loss very similar to humans with LCA1. After years of trial and error in building a virus capable of delivering the corrective gene to the retina and fine-tuning the temperature, humidity, and handling process, she and her lab colleagues have perfected a viral therapy for the avian model—chickens usually born without sight can see when treated in embryo.

“Treatment of the genetically blind animals while embryos in the eggs with a lentiviral vector carrying the normal gene encoding guanlyate cyclase-1 restores vision to the animals,” says Semple-Rowland, “What is so exciting is that the



G. Barry Anderson '76

One of the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Citation recipients was not able to be present on campus in May to accept his award in international relations. **Per**

Magnus Ranstorp '85, who is chief scientist at the Centre for Assymmetric Threat Studies at the Swedish National Defense College and a senior honorary research associate and former director of the Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence at the University of St. Andrews, Scotland, is scheduled to return in October to accept his recognition at the

Homecoming/Family Weekend banquet and will also meet with students in several classes during that week.

At the same time, a 2005 citation recipient whose schedule prevented him from accepting his award last year was able to claim it in 2006. The Hon. **G. Barry Anderson '76**, associate justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court since 2004, was present at the alumni banquet held during Commencement Weekend to be recognized for his accomplishments in the field of law.

After being introduced by his uncle, Bernhard "Pete" LeVander '37, Anderson paid tribute to the value of his liberal arts education at Gustavus. It's not about buildings and other facilities, he said. "Ultimately, the best education is a teacher at one end of the log, and a student on the other. . . . You

learn to evaluate data and evidence; you learn to think and write." He found that Gustavus was a place that understood academic integrity. "I can assure you that, when I showed up on this campus in the fall of 1973, I had lots of opinions on lots of is-

*Distinguished Alumni Citations –
Per Magnus Ranstorp '85 and G. Barry Anderson '76*

A postponement and a late acceptance

sues, and they didn't match the opinions of *anybody* in the history and political science departments. . . . But they were perfectly willing to see that I was in the process of learning what it takes to be an active participant in our society—not testing whether or not some student of theirs was going to be able to spit back what they were told. *That is a faculty.*"

A partner in the law firm of Arnold, Anderson & Dove PLLP of Hutchinson and Minneapolis, Anderson was city attorney of the City of Hutchinson for more than 15 years before being named to the Minnesota Court of Appeals in 1998 and to the Minnesota Supreme Court six years later.

Back to the Garden

by Bjorn Gangeness '04

Two years after graduation and some Gusties have launched careers, some are returning from the Peace Corps, and some have a coop full of chickens in their back yard. I belong to the last category, with a lot of meaningful experience to share but not a lot of material wealth to show for my efforts.

Calling the past two years diverse for me would be somewhat understated. I held two unpaid internships with environmental non-profits, worked in the produce department of a natural foods cooperative grocery, and apprenticed myself to a permaculture farmer turned ecoforester. Much can be gleaned from each encounter, but nothing really compares to getting one's hands dirty and cutting down massive fir trees outside of Vancouver, British Columbia.


I filled my years at Gustavus with environmental activism, Swedish, music, and chemistry, but I realized after graduating that none of those subjects alone could gain my full attention while fulfilling a growing sense of calling to work for the health of earth and its people in my vocation. Growing my own food seemed important to my journey. I had never

gardened in my life, but knew of a network of farms associated with a program called Willing Workers on Organic Farms (WWOOF). These loosely associated farms follow diverse principles and support just about every kind of husbandry imaginable, but almost all are rather small and depend on the work of volunteers to succeed.

The farm I chose to dedicate five months of my life to is called Seven Ravens Farm. The farmer, Michael, and his wife and two daughters live and work year-round on the land. The summary of his work in the WWOOFing catalogue mentioned permaculture, ecoforestry, woodworking, timber-framing, and tree-nurserying. This place would potentially fulfill my desire to learn vegetable gardening and other homesteading skills while living in a beautiful place like the west coast of Canada. My fate was sealed with a phone call and a plane ticket.

The flight, bus-ride, ferry-crossing, and ride-hitching finally brought me to the farm's driveway. Meeting the family face to face and seeing the land first-hand was somewhat overwhelming. This was the place where I was going to spend five months of my life sweating into the soil, milling lumber, and sculpting wood into various household items. The first night I wrote in my journal, "I'm at the beginning of considerable undertaking. It is both exciting and intimidating. I keep asking myself, 'Is this truly the life I want to live?' Surely, it is, for at least six months. This experience promises to teach me much about a broad range of subjects, not the least of which is myself and of living well."

I was quickly given jobs that became routine for me during my stay on the farm. A flock of hens and a rooster needed foddering, gardens needed tending and trees pruning, a farm-stand needed maintaining. After a few weeks I became a portable-mill hand lugging large green lumber into piles. A seed-saving company also needed help and I learned much about that business as well.

The farmer and I grew close, and I gained a few very valuable friends during my stay at the farm. All of my experiences powerfully complemented those relationships, and I left the farm reflecting on the sweet memories I had gained. Though homesteading is not in my near future, the lessons I learned will strengthen my drive to participate in a more sustainable world. 



Bjorn Gangeness '04 pauses momentarily while milling lumber.

Bjorn Gangeness '04 has now returned from his apprenticeship on Seven Ravens Farm in British Columbia and will be gaining a scholar's perspective on sustainable agriculture and policy this fall when he starts a master's degree program in science, technology, and environmental policy at the University of Minnesota.

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Ages now	Payout Rate
Both 60	5.4%
Both 65	5.6%
Both 70	5.9%
Both 75	6.3%
Both 80	6.9%
Both 85	7.9%
Both 90	9.3%
Both 95 or over	11.1%



arts on campus

*Britta Peterson '08, Jennifer Jacobson '07, Matt Dittes '07, and Nicole Farlee '07 were captured at the spring 2006 dance concert, "Pushing the Limits."
Photo by Stan Waldhauser '71.*

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