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An emotional **Auz'annette Harrell**, English major from Kokomo, Miss., embraces one of her professors, Associate Professor of English **Rebecca Taylor Fremo**, at the College's 2009 commencement exercises.
Photo by Tom Roster.

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608 candidates for graduation assembled on Hollingsworth Field on May 31, 2009.
Photo by Tom Roster



The 'Best' of Gustavus



Jake Seamans '10

The summer lull between the end of one academic year and the beginning of the next is a good time to pause and mark the College's progress in realizing its mission—as seen in the achievements of our faculty and staff, our students, and our graduates. As the 2008–09 school year ended we honored many students, staff, and alumni who surpassed even the high expectations we set for them. This issue of the *Gustavus Quarterly* focuses on the “best” of Gustavus—those individuals the College has recognized for making a difference on campus, in their fields of endeavor, in the lives of those they encounter.

On the following pages, you will read about several award-winning professors: music professor **Rick Orpen**, who was named recipient of the 2009 Edgar M. Carlson Award for Distinguished Teaching by his peers; **Martin Lang '95**, assistant professor of communications studies, who won the student-selected Swenson-Bunn Memorial Award for Teaching Excellence; and **Eric Carlson**, professor of history, and **Barbara Fister**, head librarian, who shared the College's annual Scholarly Accomplishment Award. Biology professor **Cindy Johnson-Groh** was named a Fulbright Scholar in Tanzania for the 2009–10 school year, and philosophy professor **Doug Huff** earned a playwriting prize. Diversity Center Director **Virgil Jones** was recognized with the Dr. Theodore E. Conrad '25 Faculty/Staff Achievement Award for contributions to “student growth, education, and unity.” And nine individuals were hired to tenure-track positions effective for the 2009 fall term, anticipating the promise of their future contributions to the education and growth of our students.

On the student side, we celebrated the graduation of 608 members of the Class of 2009. Fifty-eight earned Phi Beta Kappa honors for excellence in the study of the liberal arts, and 48 graduated *summa cum laude*. The annual Magnuson Student Leadership and Service Awards went to four students, four student organizations, and two student-led events for their contributions to the campus and its climate. Choreography students in dance professor Melissa Rolnick's class were invited to present a concert of original work for an international conference on human rights in October after the conference organizer viewed the results of their “Genocide Has No Boundaries” project earlier in the spring.

You'll also note that student-athletes and coaches won a slew of athletic honors following an almost unbelievable spring season. Six of the eight squads competing during the spring went on to NCAA post-season events, and the College finished eighth nationally in the Directors' Cup sponsored by Learfield Sports and the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics. Five student-athletes were named CoSIDA Academic All-Americans and three earned NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships.

Recognition also came to alumni. The Gustavus Alumni Association announced three Distinguished Alumni Citations, to agribusiness innovator **Ray Norling '56**, medical social worker **Evelyn Bonander '59**, and Minneapolis schools superintendent **Bill Green '72**. The Rev. **Gary Anderson '63** received the Covenant Award from the Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations for his commitment to the task of “rediscovering the importance of what it means to be a college of the church.” Community activist **Jess Luce '99** was named one of 18 Bush Leadership Fellows for 2009, **Dave Hakenson '81** was honored by the Minnesota Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) with the Donald G. Padilla Distinguished Practitioner Award for his professional achievement and his contributions to the community and to the mission of the PRSA, and **Kim Kraemer Westra '90** received one of six 2009 WEM Outstanding Educator Awards for her contributions to gifted and talented education.

The profiles and articles on the following pages highlight just a representative group of community members whom we hold up as the “best” of Gustavus. Stay tuned for more!

Steve Waldhauser

Steve Waldhauser '70, Managing Editor

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Jazzman and music professor Rick Orpen named 2009 Carlson Award recipient

by Richard Leitch Jr.

Editor's Note: The Edgar M. Carlson Award for Distinguished Teaching was established by the Gustavus Board of Trustees in 1971 to honor former President Edgar Carlson for his years of distinguished leadership, and in recognition of his commitment to academic excellence. It is the College's highest faculty accolade. Gustavus faculty, staff, administrators, and students nominate professors for this award, and each year at Commencement a faculty member—selected by previous Carlson Award recipients—is recognized for her or his exceptional skill and effectiveness as an instructor. Traditionally, the previous year's recipient announces the new honoree to the Commencement audience; the introduction by 2008 recipient Richard Leitch, associate professor of political science, is excerpted below.

I first got to know this year's Carlson recipient accidentally—through a student from Sweden—during my first or second year at Gustavus. Somehow, someone must have told this somewhat confused Swedish student that there was a faculty member named Richard, or something like that, who could help him study Kings, Princes, and Bosses, and the rifts that



Tom Roster

2008 Carlson Award recipient Richard Leitch (right) congratulates 2009 recipient Rick Orpen.

they create. Or at least that is what *he* heard—or what *I* heard.

The student must have looked me up, was probably puzzled to see that I teach in the Political Science Department, but this being Gustavus and as close to Sweden as you can get outside the mother country, he went with it and arrived at my office door.

So naturally when this student came to see me and talk about—I thought—monarchies and social stability and the potential for chaos, I probably launched into a long-winded diatribe on kings and princes and rifts.

It was only ten minutes later—when this Swedish student asked if by taking my class would he learn how to crank out

the RIFF—not RIFT—on Eric Clapton's acoustic version of "Layla"—that I realized the student didn't want to study Kings, Bosses, and Princes and the *riffs* they create, but the *riffs* created by The King, Prince, and the Boss. Stupid me—I thought I was feeding into the revolutionary passions of a Swedish anti-monarchist. But he had bigger things in mind: he wanted to learn how to play the guitar.

I immediately sent him to this year's Carlson Award Winner, Dr. Rick Orpen.

Rick Orpen arrived at Gustavus in 1980, and during a nearly thirty-year career he has taught courses in music theory, jazz improvisation, jazz guitar,

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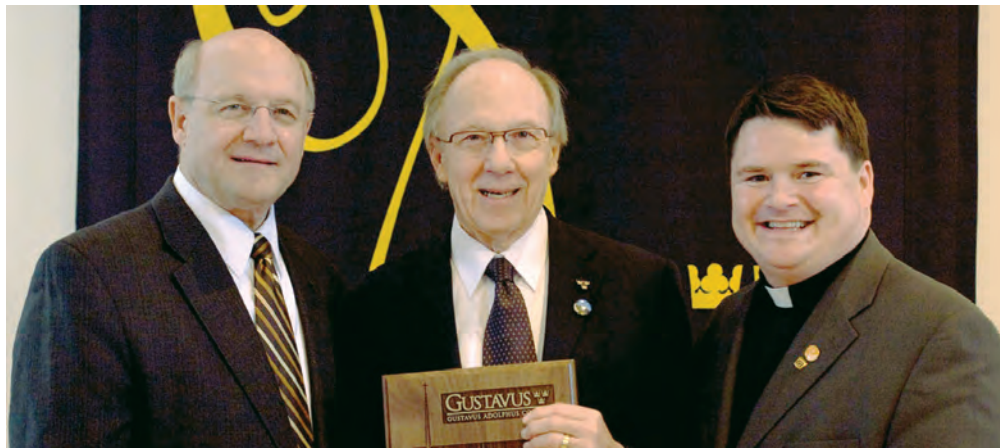
composition, and percussion techniques. Dr. Orpen holds B.S., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Minnesota and is active as a guitarist, percussionist, and bassist.

His performance credits include the Ordway Center for the Performing Arts and the Walker Art Center, and numerous Gustavus Adolphus events including the Nobel Conference concerts and A Royal Affair. Dr. Orpen is also a BMI composer. In 1999, he released a CD of jazz compositions titled *Hands of Time Jazz Quartet: Live from the Chestnut Tree Café*. He is the developer of the MIDI-based music lab at Gustavus, and each summer he offers the Music Technology Workshop at Gustavus, attended by music educators from across the country. I am sure they, too, experience the array of Dr. Orpen's teaching talents.

A faculty colleague says that from his first days on campus, he has always known Dr. Orpen to be student-focused in every campus decision, yet adds that some campus faculty members or students may not be acutely aware of his teaching or other expertise, mostly due to the fact that Rick never boasts or claims credit for anything . . . making him the epitome of the true servant/teacher.

As someone who is always booed off the stage on the easy level of "Slow Ride" on Guitar Hero, I am a musical Neanderthal in awe of Dr. Orpen's talent as a musician. More importantly, as a faculty member at a liberal arts college that recognizes the importance of fine teaching, I am proud to call him my colleague. 

Covenant Award goes to Gary Anderson '63



Stacia Vogel


The Rev. Gary Anderson '63 (center) is flanked by Gustavus president Jack R. Ohle (left) and the Rev. Grady St. Dennis '92, director of church relations, after accepting the 2009 Covenant Award.

The Rev. Gary Anderson '63 has been recognized by the Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations with the association's 2009 Covenant Award for his contributions toward strengthening the ties between the College and member congregations of the association. The award was presented at the association's annual meeting on campus in April.

Anderson was a member of the Gustavus Board of Trustees from 2000 to 2009, serving as secretary in 2004 and as a member of the executive committee. Throughout his service on the board, he was committed to the task of rediscovering the importance of what it means to be a college of the church. He was also a member of the Commission Gustavus 150 Task Force on Faith and in 2002–03 chaired the Presidential Search Committee that selected James Peterson '64 as the College's president.

As senior pastor of All Saints Lutheran in Minnetonka, Minn., from 1982 to 1993 and then Incarnation Lutheran Church in Shoreview, Minn., from 1993 to 2004, Anderson was a strong advocate for high-quality, lifelong learning in the congregations. While a full-time pastor, he encouraged his congregations and others to deepen their relationship with Gustavus, both through "Gusties Gather" events and through other opportunities, such as the Association of Congregations or on boards or committees. Following his retirement in 2004, he became interim seminary pastor at Luther Seminary for two years, then worked part-time for the Saint Paul Area Synod ELCA as director of "Crossing Bridges," a three-year, \$2 million mission appeal now in its final year.

Since 1991 the Covenant Award has been bestowed annually in recognition and celebration of the efforts of individuals

who have made distinctive contributions to the partnership between Gustavus and its Association of Congregations. Alumni, pastors, association delegates, faculty, staff, and Gustavus students are all eligible for the award. The award includes an honorarium to be designated for a College program of the recipient's choice, thus reinforcing the mission of the association on the Gustavus campus. Anderson has selected as this year's beneficiary the Church Leadership Program, which brings together students who are considering vocations in church leadership for career exploration activities, seminary and divinity school contact, ministry speakers, and congregation visits. 

Matt Thomas, media relations coordinator, and Marilyn Beyer, assistant director of church relations, contributed to this article.



Magnuson Awards honor student leadership

Four student leaders, four student organizations, and two student-led events were recognized in late April at the annual Paul Magnuson Student Leadership and Service Awards dinner and program at Gustavus Adolphus College.

Established in 1991 and annually supported by the Hon. **Paul Magnuson '59**, chief judge of the U.S. Federal District Court in St. Paul and a former trustee of the College, the awards recognize the significant contributions that individual students and student groups make to campus life. Each year, outstanding students, organizations, and events are nominated by fellow students, faculty, administrators, or staff for recognition. A selection committee assembled by the Dean of Students reviews nominations and determines honorees in three categories.

The following students, organizations, and student-led events were recognized this year:

Scott Broady '09, for his work with the Student Senate;

Christine Grotjohn '09, for her volunteer service work;

Katie Mason '09, for her leadership in a number of campus organizations, including GAC-TV;

Carla Shutrop '09, for her leadership roles with the College Republicans and the Student Senate;

the **"Building Bridges" Committee**;

the **Crossroads Program**;

the **"I Am...We Are" social justice theatre group**;

the **Men's Leadership Team**;

"Gustavus Day of Fasting – A Ramadan Celebration"; and

"SNL" (Saturday Night in Lund), organized by Tau Mu Tau sorority in January and February.



Judge **Paul Magnuson '59** (far left) is pictured with College staff and some of the students recognized with 2009 Magnuson Awards. From left are Magnuson; individual student honorees **Katie Mason '09**, **Carla Shutrop '09**, and **Christine Grotjohn '09**; President **Jack R. Ohle**; student honoree **Scott Broady '09**; Dean of Students **Hank Toutain**; **Asitha Jayawardena '09**, representing the "Building Bridges" Committee; and **Ben Meyer '11**, representing the Men's Leadership Team.



Biology Professor earns Fulbright

Biology professor Cindy Johnson-Groh has been awarded a Fulbright lecture/research fellowship in Tanzania for the 2009–10 academic year. The fellowship will enable her to teach and conduct research for a book on the natural history and conservation biology of Tanzania, to be used as a textbook for short-term travel courses, as an introduction to longer university courses, and as a resource for tourists and guides in the ecotourism and safari industry.

Johnson-Groh is the third faculty member in the past five years to receive a Fulbright.

1987–89 Doug Huff, philosophy

1993–94 Johanna Kleeberg, theatre

1996–97 Will Freiert, classics

2000 Elizabeth Baer, English

2000 Walter Dávila, history

2001 Mark Bjelland, geography

2002 David Koppenhaver, education

2002–03 Steve Mellema, physics

2003 Laura Behling, English

2004–05 Mark Bjelland, geography

2009 Gregory Mason, English, emeritus

2009–10 Cindy Johnson-Groh, biology

Turkey (2 yrs., as Senior Fulbright Lecturer)

New Zealand (year)

Japan (year, as Fulbright Lecturer)

Germany (summer seminar)

Brazil (fall semester)

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Australia (fall semester)

Malaysia (year)

Czech Republic (spring semester)

Great Britain (year)

Montenegro (spring semester)

Tanzania (year)



Dance company invited to perform at international human rights conference

During the spring of 2009, the Gustavus Dance Company and the choreography class led by Visiting Assistant Professor Melissa Rolnick worked

on a project titled "Genocide Has No Boundaries: Moving against Genocide" in collaboration with Ellen Kennedy, director of the Center for Holocaust and


Genocide Studies at the University of Minnesota. The culmination of the project was a dance concert and project presentation on May 14. Moved by the dance interpretations presented that evening, Kennedy asked the College's Department of Theatre and Dance if that same concert might be presented at the Dietrich Bonhoeffer Society International Conference on Human Rights, which the center is hosting at the university and other colleges in the Twin Cities on Oct. 8–10.

"When Ellen . . . suggested that I have students utilize the stories of Holocaust survivors as source material for the dance composition/choreography class, I initially hesitated," Rolnick relates. "However, she was absolutely convincing and passionate about the necessity of using the issues surrounding genocide as an educational and hence creative catalyst for my choreography students."

The choreography students read about human rights and the violation of those rights in circumstances of genocide. Holocaust survivors visited the class and the larger Gustavus community to share stories of their experiences. At first, the students felt intimidated by the magnitude of the tragedies that surround genocide and, more specifically, the very personal stories they heard. They worried that they could not possibly do justice to the material and did not want to trivialize in any way what they had been privileged

to learn about. Rolnick suggested that they find a way to make the material personal, to draw from a few moments or images in one specific story (or amalgam of stories) that had resonance for them. The dance pieces they created, says Rolnick, "are not biographical but rather interpreted response to some aspect of the biographical experience."

The resulting dance concert comprised eight pieces, seven choreographed by the students in the class using student dancers from the Gustavus Dance Company and the finale a solo piece created by Rolnick in 2003 and set to music by Mozart. Now the concert will be presented a second time, with all of the original pieces, for an international audience assembled for the human rights conference in October.

"I applaud the students for their courage in this process," Rolnick says. "I believe they have come to realize that dance has intrinsic value in the struggle for human rights. . . . Indeed, being able to dance is the essence of liberty." 


Philosophy professor wins playwriting prize

by Matt Thomas '00

Professor of Philosophy Douglas Huff has been selected as one of four winners of the 2009 Mario Fratti-Fred Newman Political Playwriting Contest for his latest play, *A Far Shore*.

Huff wrote *A Far Shore* during his 2008 sabbatical leave at the request of members of the Bangalore Little Theatre—the largest theatre in Bangalore, India. The play is based on the life and work of B.R. Ambedkar, a hero in his homeland of India where he was a political leader, activist, philosopher, orator, writer, economist, and revolutionary. Ambedkar is also the chief architect of the Indian Constitution and is credited with having sparked the Dalit Buddhist movement.

Huff's play was selected from more than 200 submissions and received a staged reading at a festival in New York in August.

The Mario Fratti-Fred Newman Political Playwriting Contest was founded by its namesakes, both playwrights based in New York, in 2004 and is coordinated by the Castillo Theatre in New York (where Newman was artistic director until his retirement). The purpose of the contest is to encourage the writing of plays and to provide a stage for scripts that, due to their progressive, radical, or experimental vantage points, would not otherwise be produced. The contest seeks plays that push the political and cultural envelope and that engage the political, social, and cultural questions impacting the world today. 





Nobel Conference® 45: "H₂O: Uncertain Resource"

The 45th annual Nobel Conference at Gustavus Adolphus College, titled "H₂O: Uncertain Resource," will focus on global issues related to water resources. The conference, scheduled for Oct. 6–7, 2009, is expected to bring more than 5,000 people to the campus.

Earth's supply of water is both finite and vulnerable. This precious resource—essential to all life—exhibits great spatial and temporal variability and in many places has been degraded by unsustainable land use or waste disposal practices. Water resources are bound to key socio-ecological issues, including global population growth, migrations to arid regions, increased use of irrigation, industrialization, climate change, and international resource conflicts.

An impressive slate of scientists and environmentalists has

been assembled to address the 2009 conference:

Asit K. Biswas, founder and president of the Third World Centre for Water Management, Atizapan, Mexico, will discuss water as a basic human right and its importance in alleviating poverty in developing countries.

Peter H. Gleick, Ph.D., co-founder and president of the Pacific Institute for Studies in Development, Environment, and Security, Oakland, Calif., will speak on the future of world water resources.

William L. Graf, Ph.D., USC Educational Foundation Endowed Professor and chair of the Department of Geography, University of South Carolina, Columbia, will address the state of rivers in the United States, highlighting current management issues such as river restoration, channel change, damming, and dam removal.

Rajendra K. Pachauri, Ph.D., director general of The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), New Delhi, India, and chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Geneva, Switzerland, which shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize, will discuss how climate change may further stress water resources, exacerbating problems of clean water access and food security for the world's poor.

Nancy N. Rabalais, Ph.D., executive director and professor at the Louisiana Universities Marine Consortium, Chauvin, La., will speak about the health of estuaries and coastal waters as an indicator of unsustainable management of land and freshwater resources.

Larry L. Rasmussen, Th.D., Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics Emeritus, Union Theological Seminary, New York City, will address ethical issues

involved in water resource management and its connections to the well-being of the planet.

David L. Sedlak, Ph.D., professor in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, will explore the connection between chemicals like hormones and pharmaceuticals in the waste stream and the quality of the aquatic environment.

Derek Walcott, poet, playwright, and professor emeritus in the Creative Writing Department, Boston University, Massachusetts, and the 1992 Nobel laureate in literature, whose body of work represents an attempt to create an indigenous Caribbean literature, will add an artist's perspective to the conference.

Tickets for the 2009 Nobel Conference are available from the Office of Marketing and Communication (507-933-7520). ☐

Interim dean of students named

Jeffrey Stocco, Career Center director at Gustavus Adolphus College since 1990, has been appointed interim vice president for student affairs and dean of students, effective July 1. He succeeds Hank Toutain, who has accepted a position as dean of students at Kenyon College in Ohio after serving Gustavus for 19 years.

Stocco, who earned his undergraduate degree from Hamline University and holds a master's

degree in counseling psychology from the University of Minnesota, has assisted students with career decision-making since he joined the Gustavus administrative staff in 1987.

In the Career Center, Stocco has helped students with career management, internships, health professions, and career counseling. He also has served for many years in assistant and associate dean of students' capacities and, in the Division of Student Affairs,

has supervised other programs and served as Judicial Board chair, organized divisional professional development, and conducted research on student development.

In his new role, Stocco will serve on the President's Cabinet; provide leadership and continuity under the existing divisional structure; and oversee Residential Life, Campus Safety, the Student Health Service, Multicultural Affairs, Student Activities,



Judicial Affairs, Alcohol and Drug Education, the Counseling Center, the Community Service Center, and the Career Center. ☐



Summer sees changes in provost's office

David Fienen, D.M.A., a member of the music faculty at Gustavus since 1973, has been named interim provost and vice president for academic affairs at the College. A past dean of faculty and vice president for academic affairs at the College, Fienen also was associate dean of the college from 1993 to 1996 and director of general education from 2002 to 2007. He has served the College as chair of the Faculty Senate as well as chair or member of several standing committees of the faculty. He replaces Mary E. Morton, Ph.D., who announced her resignation as provost in March but will remain with the Gustavus faculty as professor of biochemistry. His appointment was effective June 1.

Fienen brings not only many years of outstanding academic and administrative leadership to his new responsibilities but also a distinguished background as



The College's new academic affairs team: Associate Provost and Dean of Academic Programs Barbara Knight Kaiser, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs David Fienen, and Associate Provost and Dean of the Faculty John Clementson.

an internationally renowned scholar and musical artist. Throughout his 36-year career at Gustavus, he has been organist/cantor at Christ Chapel and a professor of organ and church music. He had been serving as

chair of the Department of Music since 2005.

In late June, Fienen announced two appointments to the position of Interim Associate Provost, effective July 1. John J. Clementson, Ph.D., professor of

education and chair of the department, will serve as Interim Associate Provost and Dean of the Faculty. In this role, he will focus on academic departments and interdisciplinary programs, including hiring, department and

Gustavus admission reps span the country!

In the next few months, Gustavus will be represented at the high school, community, and national college fairs and events listed below. Encourage prospective students with whom you may be acquainted to stop by! If you have questions or want more information, contact Alan Meiers '87, senior associate director of admission, at ameier@gustavus.edu or by phone at 507-933-7682 or 800-487-8288.

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- 29 Osseo HS College Fair
- 29 Glen Ellyn, Ill., College Fair
- 29 Brookings, S.D., College Fair

- 30 Minnesota National College Fair
- 30 Lake Forest, Ill., College Fair


October

- 1 Minnesota National College Fair
- 3 Chicago, Ill., College Fair
- 4 Breck HS College Fair
- 4 Aspen, Colo., College Fair
- 4 Des Moines, Iowa, College Fair
- 4 Milwaukee, Wis., National College Fair

- 5 St. Cloud College Fair
- 5 Alexandria College Fair
- 5 Kansas City, Mo., College Fair
- 5 Lee's Summit, Mo., College Fair
- 6 Morris HS College Fair
- 6 Long Prairie/Grey Eagle HS College Fair
- 6 Fort Collins, Colo., College Fair
- 6 Sioux Falls, S.D., College Fair
- 7 Brainerd High School
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program budgets and salaries, and pre-tenure reviews. Clementson arrived at Gustavus in 2004 from Augustana College, Sioux Falls, S.D., where he was assistant dean for academic affairs and before that, chair of the education department.

Associate Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science Barbara Knight Kaiser, Ph.D., will assume the position of associate provost and dean of academic programs. In this capacity she will provide leadership for such academic programs as General Education, Curriculum II, First Term Seminar, January Interim Experience, Academic Advising, and the Writing Program and Center, as well as for student academic issues and departmental external reviews. Kaiser has been on the faculty of Gustavus since 1990. She has chaired the Curriculum Committee and served on both the Personnel Committee and the Faculty Senate. In addition, she has made valued contributions to numerous community-building initiatives. 

Briefly . . .

Nine hired to tenure-track positions

Nine new tenure-track faculty members—seven new hires and two promoted from visiting or adjunct positions—are teaching at Gustavus Adolphus College effective with the fall 2009 semester.

Julie Bartley joins the

Department of Geology as an associate professor. A graduate of Bryn Mawr (1988), she earned her Ph.D. from the University of California in 1994. She comes to Gustavus from the University of West Georgia in Carrollton. Her professional interests include Precambrian sedimentary systems.

Biplab Ghosh is an instructor in the Department of Economics and Management. He earned his B.S. (2000) and M.S. (2002) degrees in India and is completing doctoral work

at the University of Connecticut.

Glenn Kranking '98 returns to Gustavus as an instructor in history and Scandinavian studies. He received master's degrees from the University of Washington (2002) and the University of Tartu in Estonia (2004) and is completing doctoral work at The Ohio State University.

Sun He Lee joins the English faculty as an assistant professor. A graduate of the University of California (1995), she earned her Ph.D. from the University of Southern California in 2005 and has been conducting postdoctoral research, most recently at Carleton College.

Jessie Petricka is an assistant professor in the Department of Physics. A Carleton College graduate (2001), she took her Ph.D. from Yale University in 2007 and has

been conducting postdoctoral research at Duke University for the past two years. Her professional interests include atomic physics.

Rita Ray joins the faculty as an assistant professor of economics and management. After earning a bachelor's degree (1996) and two master's degrees (1998 and 2002) in her native India, she enrolled at the University of Miami (Fla.), where she earned another master's degree (2004) and a Ph.D. (2008). She comes to Gustavus from Western Washington University at Bellingham. Her special interests include macroeconomics and political economy.

Maria Torres is an assistant professor in the Department of Communication Studies. After receiving her undergraduate degree in Spain (1986), she earned an M.A. (2001) and a Ph.D. (2004) from Ohio University. She has been on the faculty of Keene College

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in New Hampshire for five years and was a visiting professor at Minnesota State Mankato last year. Her special interests include intercultural conflict and health care.

D. Scott Moore, instructor of music, has taught at Gustavus since 1998 as an adjunct instructor of low brass instruments and has been promoted to a tenure-track position. He holds undergraduate degrees from Jacksonville State University (1985) and is now completing his doctorate at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music.

Jeffrey Owen '92 has been promoted to assistant professor in the Department of Economics and Management after serving in a visiting position since 2006. He earned his Ph.D. from the University of Iowa (2000) and taught at Indiana State University at Terre Haute before joining the Gustavus faculty.

Phi Beta Kappa honors 42

The local chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, Eta of Minnesota, has announced the election of 42 students to membership in the society based on their academic record in fields of liberal learning.

They are: **Daniel T. Barthell, John A. Bussey, Rebecca D. Carlson, Sarah A. Cowles, Alysha A. Dicke, Breanna R. Draxler, Benjamin E. Eriksson, Stephanie K. Erlandson, Emma V. Espel, Elizabeth G. Faldet, Lauren M. Fulner, Ahna L. Gilbertson, Gwendolyn L. Gillson, Kathryn E. Goodpaster,**

Kaley J. Gordon, Laura A. Gosewich, Nathan M. Heggem, Laurel F. Hoch, Sarah C. Hulke, Emma Iverson, Emily C. Johnson, Carissa A. Keith, Kristin M. Knudson, Jenny M. Koffski, Erica B. Koos, Rebecca S. Krocak, Laura A. Luce, Melissa R. Mackley, Sarah B. Manke, Rochelle J. Molitor, Rhea Muchalla, Emily E. Nelson, Kaitlyn M. O'Bryan, Laura M. Ofstad, Elizabeth K. Olson, Kristin M. Osterman, Anthony M. Spain, Rita I. Stevermer, Jill O. Suurmeyer, Jessica E. Wegner, Kacy L. Wothe, and Hannah L. Wunsch.

Seven were elected as juniors. The 35 elected as seniors were joined by 23 who were elected last year as juniors to graduate Phi Beta Kappa on May 31.

Gustavus among top 10 in graduation rate

In a study recently released by the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) for Public Policy Research, Gustavus Adolphus College is ranked in the top 10 for its graduation rate among institutions with similar levels of admission selectivity.

The study, titled "Diplomas and Dropouts: Which Colleges Actually Graduate Their Students (and Which Don't)," took the nearly 1.2 million students who entered college at four-year institutions in the fall of 2001 and examined what percentage of those students graduated by the spring of 2007. Gustavus ranked in a tie for ninth place with an 86 percent graduation rate in the category labeled "highly competitive." The average six-year graduation rate in the highly competitive category was 75.2 percent.



Eric J. Carlson

Faculty and staff honors

Three faculty members and an administrator were recognized for academic and leadership achievements during the Honors Day convocation at Gustavus Adolphus College on May 2.


History professor **Eric J. Carlson** and head librarian **Barbara Fister** shared the Faculty Scholarly Accomplishment Award, which is selected by the provost's office based upon peer nominations and has been announced annually at the convocation since 2004. Carlson, who joined the faculty in 1990, has produced an impressive body of work in the subjects of the Church of England and the English Reformation and is currently an associate editor of the *Journal of British Studies*. Fister, who has been with the library faculty since 1987, has been involved with information literacy projects and has written widely about the effect of the digital revolution on libraries. She is a



Barbara Fister

weekly columnist for *Library Journal's* "Academic Newswire."

Virgil Jones, director of multicultural programs and the Diversity Center, was named recipient of the Dr. Theodore E. Conrad '25 Faculty/Staff Achievement Award. The annual award is selected by a committee convened by the dean of students and presented alternately to faculty members and staff members who exhibit "strong interest in overall student growth, education, and unity." It is accompanied by an honorarium, which the recipient designates for an approved student organization.

The Swenson-Bunn Memorial Award for Teaching Excellence went to **Martin Lang '95**, assistant professor of communication studies. The award, presented annually since 1990 by the Student Senate, goes to a member of the faculty selected by the student body as outstanding teacher of the current academic year. 



Virgil Jones



Martin Lang '95



Minnesota, Morris; Minnesota State University, Mankato; the College of St. Scholastica; the College of Saint Benedict/Saint John's University; St. Catherine University; St. Mary's University; St. Olaf College; and the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Each artist will be represented in the exhibition by her or his artwork and by an artist statement indicating something of the artist's intent in the work. One of the participants is Professor Diane Katsiaficas of the University of Minnesota, who spends part of each year in Greece, and who has been interested in both the old windmills scattered throughout the Greek Isles and the wind turbines on a wind farm being developed on the island of Evia, near where she stays. She notes in her statement, "The structures of the wind turbines at first repulsed me. I saw them as an invasion of the nostalgic landscape of Greece that is rapidly disappearing. But I value them as a means to harvest an essential energy resource. 'This is good,' I tell myself. 'Ecology sometimes de-

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Bruce McClain, Night Winds, 2009, acrylic on canvas, 54 x 72 inches

Hillstrom Museum to open concurrent exhibitions

by Donald Myers '83

From Sept. 14 through Nov. 8, 2009, the Hillstrom Museum of Art will present two exhibitions and another of its FOCUS IN/ON projects. The first exhibition, titled *Winds of Inspiration, Winds of Change*, is an invitational exhibition that will consider thematically and aesthetically wind turbines and their precursors, windmills, inspired by the growing presence of turbines across the Minnesota countryside. The exhibition presents wind turbines both as environmentally sensitive objects and as objects with a powerful, aesthetic, sublime presence. It

will also draw on the idea of the earlier windmill as a well-established element in art with various symbolic meanings, including as an inspirational symbol and as an indication of humankind's dominion over nature. The exhibit will thus reference aesthetics, the history of art, technology, and the environment.

Winds of Inspiration, Winds of Change is presented in anticipation of the expected installation on campus of one or more wind turbines, and is expected to raise awareness of turbines and their value as an alternative energy source by considering them in a cultural, historical and artistic context. The Southern Minnesota Municipal Power

Agency, which is active in developing and supporting wind energy, has generously provided funds to help sponsor the exhibit.

Around 50 artists from across the state will participate in the project, including invited faculty from Minnesota colleges and universities and a number of local artists from St. Peter and Mankato. In the former group are the faculty artists from Gustavus, as well as artists from Bemidji State University; Bethany Lutheran College; Bethel University; Carleton College; Concordia College, Moorhead; Concordia University, St. Paul; Macalester College; the Minneapolis College of Art and Design; the University of



Nicole Hoiland (Gustavus Adolphus College), Historical Collection, 2009 (detail), stoneware, slip, glaze, wood, 33 x 24 x 2 inches.



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mands another aesthetic.' So I photograph their development and muse about their intrusion." Katsiaficas's work for the exhibition is a tripartite piece titled *Intrusive Harvesters/Iconic Structures*, which includes two digital photographs of the wind turbine farm with gestural drawings of turbines digitally superimposed over them, flanking a cut plywood relief based on an old windmill in Hydra.

Gustavus faculty artist Nicole Hoiland will show *Historical Collection* (2009), an installation consisting of six ceramic tiles set each into a wooden framework to create modernized versions of cheeseboards. Hoiland notes that she had seen such objects in kitchens when growing up, and she has updated

their familiar imagery to be more reflective of modern life. She writes, "These boards had tiles whose subject matter ranged from Delft iconography of rural landscapes, complete with windmills and rolling fields, to idyllic scenes of family life. I set out to modernize this American wall art by looking at the Northern Renaissance's symbolic imagery, Delftware, pop cultural images, and photographs I took. I wanted these pieces to appear to the viewer as strangely familiar. . . ." One of the six ceramic plaques in the artwork depicts a wind turbine, replacing the more old-fashioned windmill found in earlier tile images.

In conjunction with *Winds of Inspiration, Winds of Change*, the Museum will sponsor a lecture by Dr. Arthur K. Wheelock, curator of Northern Baroque Painting at the National Gallery of Art in

Washington, D.C., an expert on Dutch painting, especially of the 17th century. Wheelock will consider the proliferation of images of windmills in Dutch art in that era, allowing comparisons to be drawn with contemporary wind turbine artworks that are becoming more and more prevalent today as wind power is embraced as an important part of the solution to the global energy and climate crises. Wheelock's lecture will be presented at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 1, in Wallenberg Auditorium, Nobel Hall of Science.

An opening reception for *Winds of Inspiration, Winds of Change* (and the concurrent exhibitions noted below) will be held on Monday, Sept. 14, 7–9 p.m., and there will also be a reception during the Nobel Conference, on Tuesday, Oct. 6, 6–8 p.m.

Concurrently with the wind turbines exhibition, the Museum will present *Cuadros from Pamplona Alta: Textile Pictures by Women of Peru*, featuring around 50 textile works sewn by groups of women living in destitute Pamplona Alta, a shantytown outside of Lima. The exhibit was organized by Con/Vida: Popular Arts of the Americas, a not-for-profit organization that promotes, through the visual arts, an understanding of the culture, history, and traditions of Central and South America, and that supports popular art by self-taught artists and artisans through exhibitions of their works.



Juana Huantalla, Human Rights (Welcome to Incaraccay), 1996, sewn fabric, 34 x 28 inches.

The *cuadros* ("pictures") depict Peruvian life, especially in Pamplona Alta, where conditions have been mostly very poor, due to economic hardship and political instability. The hand-sewn works are embroidered and appliquéd by individual artists or groups of artists, and they are sold and promoted both in Peru and in exhibitions such as this one. Sales through the Book Mark of additional *cuadros* not included in the exhibition will help support the artists and their families by supplementing the meager incomes they are able to earn in Peru.

The colorful and charming aspect of individual *cuadros* often seems at odds with the darkness of their subject matter, which addresses issues such as the poverty, social injustice, and military violence that plagued Peru especially in the last two decades of the 20th century. *Human Rights (Welcome to Incaraccay)*, a 1996 *cuadro* by Juana Huaytalla, depicts a bright, sunlit landscape filled with people, dwellings, farm animals, and growing plants—and also a bloodied corpse lying in



Noris Vasquez Linares, Taller de Grupo Compacto Humano, Centro Comunal Artesania Puertas Abiertas, The Spiral of Life, 1991, sewn fabric, 76 x 78 inches.




the middle of a road. Incaraccay, located in the mountains hundreds of miles southeast of Lima, was in the 1980s and 1990s a killing field of the “Shining Path,” a communist guerilla group that, while ostensibly dedicated to the overthrow of the bourgeoisie, was responsible for the death or disappearance of thousands, Peruvian peasants in particular.

In addition to the concurrent exhibitions, the Museum will present another of its FOCUS IN/ON projects. These projects feature a single work from the Hillstrom Collection that is the subject of in-depth, collaborative analysis made by the museum director and a colleague from across the curriculum. *Dry Creek Bed, Kansas*, a 1912 oil painting by Swedish-American artist Birger Sandzén (1871–1954), will be considered in an essay co-written with James Welsh, chair of the Department of Geology. (The essay will be posted on the Hillstrom Museum’s website, gustavus.edu/finearts/hillstrom/.)

Sandezén worked much of his career in central and western Kansas, and the Hillstrom painting is based on his exploration of Wild Horse Creek in Graham County, near where his wife Frida’s parents lived. The painting will be considered in the context of the artist’s career in general as well as for insights it sheds on the geology of western Kansas, specifically the Ogallala Aquifer, one of the world’s largest (an aquifer is an underground layer from which groundwater can be extracted, thus playing an important role in irrigation). Graham County is on the eastern edge of the Ogallala formation, which covers parts of eight different states.

This FOCUS IN/ON project touching upon the hydrogeology of western Kansas is presented by the Museum in conjunction with the 2009 Nobel Conference, titled *H₂O: Uncertain Resource*, which will consider the current state of world water resources. Also in conjunction with the Nobel Conference and this FOCUS IN/ON project, the Museum will present

a special dance performance choreographed by Michele Rusinko of the Department of Theatre and Dance. *Dry Spells* is based on a passage from Gretel Ehrlich’s 1986 book, *The Solace of Open Spaces*, a series of naturalist musings on the author’s life in Wyoming. Rusinko’s work will be performed by student dancers Siu On Auyeung, Patrick Jeffrey, Katelyn

Pedersen, and Jill VanOsdal, who will present it twice during the Museum’s Nobel reception on Tuesday, Oct. 6, at 6:15 and 6:45 p.m. 

Donald Myers ’83 has directed Gustavus Adolphus College’s Hillstrom Museum of Art since its opening in 2000. He is also an instructor in art history at the College.

Donations to the Hillstrom Museum of Art

The Hillstrom Museum of Art was recently given two paintings by artist Dewey Albinson (1898–1971), gifts from Bob and Tucki Lund Bellig ’60 ’60. Professor Emeritus Bob Bellig taught in the Department of Biology at Gustavus for 37 years, retiring in 2001. The works by Albinson join another oil by the artist that was donated last December, a winter village scene painted in Quebec.

The paintings from the Belligs likely date to the 1930s or the early 1940s, a conclusion supported both by consultation with the artist’s son, Tawn Albinson, and daughter, Leone Albinson Stein, and by stylistic comparison with a number of Albinson works featured in a recent exhibition at the American Swedish Institute in Minneapolis (Albinson was born in Minneapolis to parents who had emigrated from Sweden). The smaller painting from the Belligs, a village scene, has an old label on its frame from an exhibition in San Francisco in 1936 indicating a title of *Farm Scene, Italy*; however, the artist’s son, Tawn, does not believe it is one of his father’s works done during the period when he lived in Italy



Dewey Albinson (1898–1971), *Farm Scene* (Minnesota?), probably 1930s–early 1940s, oil on canvas, 24 x 28-3/8 inches, gift of Bob and Tucki Lund Bellig ’60 ’60.



Dewey Albinson (1898–1971), *Village Scene*, probably 1930s–early 1940s, oil on canvas, 16-1/4 x 20-1/4 inches, gift of Bob and Tucki Lund Bellig ’60 ’60.

(1929–1931), and it’s likely that the frame was reused without the old label being removed. Albinson’s daughter, Leone, believes that this painting might be an image from Quebec, which would date it to the end of the 1930s or just into the ’40s.

Both Albinson’s son and daughter agree that the larger painting from the Belligs, a farm scene, could be a Minnesota-based image. Interestingly, a list of the works in that 1936 exhibition obtained from the museum in San Francisco indicates that there was also a work titled *Farm Scene, Minnesota*, with dimensions matching those of the larger Bellig donation. Unfortunately, no photographic records of the exhibition remain, making a visual identification impossible.

Calendar

Fall bounty

August

27–Sept. 7 **Gustavus at the Fair:** college booth in the Education Building at the Minnesota State Fair, staffed 9 a.m.–9 p.m. daily. Wear your Gustie gear and stop by to sign our visitors' book!

September

8 **Opening Convocation** for the 148th academic year of the College; Christ Chapel, 10 a.m.

14–Nov. 8 Art Exhibitions: **Cuadros from Pamplona Alta: Textile Pictures by Women of Peru & Winds of Inspiration, Winds of Change;** 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. Opening reception, Sept. 14, 7–9 p.m.; Nobel reception, Oct. 6, 6–8 p.m.

16 **Twin Cities "Come On, You Gusties" Alumni Breakfast,** featuring Mark Bjelland, associate professor of geography and chair of the 2009 Nobel Conference, "H₂O: Uncertain Resource"; Doubletree Hotel, Minneapolis-Park Place, Hwy. 394 & Hwy. 100, 8:30–10 a.m. Reserve by calling Don Swanson '55 at 763-533-9083.

21 **Gustavus Library Associates' Fall Membership Tea,** hosted by President Jack and Kris Ohle; President's Home,

10–11:30 a.m. Reservations requested; contact the Office of Marketing and Communication (507-933-7520).

28 **Reading in Common Author Visit:** Sonia Nazario, author of *Enrique's Journey*; Alumni Hall, 7 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

October

6–7 **Nobel Conference® 45:** "H₂O: Uncertain Resource"; Lund Arena, opening at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday. For ticket information, contact the Office of Marketing and Communication (507-933-7520), see the registration form inserted in this magazine, or visit the College's Nobel Conference website (gustavus.edu/nobelconference).

9 **Commission Gustavus 150 Celebration Dinner;** Jackson Campus Center, 6 p.m.

9–10 **Homecoming and Family Weekend** (note revised dates): Receptions and dinners for the classes of 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, & 2004 in Mankato and the Twin Cities on Friday evening; reunion events on campus on Saturday. For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations (800-487-8437).

10 Gustavus Artist Series Homecoming Event: **Kurt Elling and the Laurence Hobgood Trio;** Jussi

Björling Recital Hall, 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507-933-7590).

11 **A Family Weekend of Music:** Morning Worship, with the Choir of Christ Chapel, Philharmonic Orchestra, & Chapel Ringers, Christ Chapel, 10:00 a.m.; Jazz Brunch, with the Gustavus Jazz Lab Band & Adolphus Jazz Ensemble, Evelyn Young Dining Room, 11:30 a.m.; Family Weekend Music Showcase, with the Gustavus Choir, Lucia Singers, Gustavus & Vasa Wind Orchestras, & Gustavus Symphony Orchestra, Christ Chapel, 2 p.m. Open to the public without charge; for more information, contact the Student Activities Office (507-933-7598).

17 32nd annual **Athletics Hall of Fame Banquet** and Induction Ceremony; Alumni Hall, 6 p.m. (See listing of inductees elsewhere in this issue.) Reservations required; contact the Office of Alumni Relations (800-487-8437).

21 **Twin Cities "Come On, You Gusties" Alumni Breakfast,** featuring President Jack R. Ohle; Doubletree Hotel, Minneapolis-Park Place, Hwy. 394 & Hwy. 100, 8:30–10 a.m. Reserve by calling Don Swanson '55 at 763-533-9083.

30, 31, & Nov. 1, 5, 6, & 7 Theatre: Three plays direct-

ed by Amy Seham—**Far Away,** by Caryl Churchill; **Seven Jewish Children,** by Caryl Churchill; & **Seven Palestinian Children,** by Deb Margolin; Anderson Theatre, 2 p.m. (Nov. 1 only) & 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507-933-7590).

31 Music: **"Octubafest 2009,"** Paul Budde & Scott Moore, conductors; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

November

1 **Art Lecture:** Arthur K. Wheelock, curator of Northern Baroque Painting, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., "Images of Windmills in 17th-Century Dutch Art"; Wallenberg Auditorium, Nobel Hall of Science, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

1–2 Music: **The 2009 Gustavus Honor Band Festival;** Schaefer Fine Arts Center, all day on Sunday. Honor Band Festival Concert, featuring the High School Honor Band & Gustavus Wind Orchestra, Douglas Nimmo, conductor, on Monday, Christ Chapel, 7 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

8 Music: **The Gustavus Symphony Orchestra in Concert,** Gregory Aune, conductor; Christ Chapel, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.



Rajendra K. Pachauri, chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which shared the 2007 Nobel Peace Prize with Vice President Al Gore, is a featured speaker at the 2009 Nobel Conference, to be held Oct. 6-7 in the Lund Center Arena.

- 13 Music: **The Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra in Concert**, Brian Buckstead, conductor; Jussi Björling Recital Hall; 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 14 **SHINE * A Royal Affair**, biennial Gustavus Library Associates gala and fundraiser; Minneapolis Convention Center, 5:30 p.m. For reservations and more information, call the Office of Marketing and Communication (507-933-7550) or see the registration form inserted in this magazine.
- 15 Music: **Gustavus Percussion Ensemble**, Bob Adney & Paul Hill, conductors; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 15 Music: **A Woodwind Chamber Concert**, Ann Pesavento, conductor; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 18 **Twin Cities "Come On, You Gusties" Alumni Breakfast**, featuring Chaplain Brian T. Johnson '80, artistic director of Christmas in Christ Chapel; Doubletree Hotel, Minneapolis-Park Place, Hwy. 394 & Hwy. 100, 8:30-10 a.m. Reserve by calling Don Swanson '55 at 763-533-9083.
- 19, 20, 21, & 22 Dance: **Choreographers' Gallery: "New Horizons,"** selected student choreography; Anderson Theatre, 2 p.m. (Nov. 22 only) & 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507-933-7590).
- 20 Music: **Gustavus Wind Orchestra & Vasa Wind Orchestra in Concert**, Douglas Nimmo, conductor; Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 21 Music: **Gustavus Jazz Lab Band & Adolphus Jazz Ensemble in Concert**, Steve Wright, director; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 23-Jan. 29 Art Exhibitions: **Connected with Water (Paintings by Gudrun Westerlund) & Swedish-American Works from the Hillstrom Collection**; 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. Opening reception, Nov. 23, 7-9 p.m.

December

- 4, 5, & 6 **Christmas in Christ Chapel: "A Liturgy of Letters and Carols";** 3:30 p.m. (Dec. 5 & 6) and 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, see the insert in this magazine.
- 8 Music: **"The Winds of Christmas,"** The Gustavus & Vasa wind orchestras, Douglas Nimmo, conductor; Christ Chapel, 10 a.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 10 **Festival of St. Lucia**, Christ Chapel, 10 a.m.; Lucia Luncheon sponsored by Gustavus Library Associates, Alumni Hall, 11 a.m. Reservations accepted following mailing of invitations in mid-October; for more information, contact the Office of Marketing and Communication (507-933-7520).
- 10, 11, 12, & 13 Theatre: **Physical Theatre Project**, directed by Henry MacCarthy; Anderson Theatre, 2 p.m. (Dec. 13 only) & 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507-933-7590).
- 11 Annual Guest Artist Performance: **Michael Johnson in Concert**; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507-933-7590).
- 13 Music: **Brassworks!** Scott Moore, conductor; Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 16 **Twin Cities "Come On, You Gusties" Alumni Breakfast**, featuring Thomas Young '88, vice president for institutional advancement; Doubletree Hotel, Minneapolis-Park Place, Hwy. 394 & Hwy. 100, 8:30-10 a.m. Reserve by calling Don Swanson '55 at 763-533-9083.

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 Web, through the Gustavus homepage (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).

A Commencement Gallery



On Sunday, May 31, 608 candidates for graduation lined up to cross the stage set up on Hollingsworth Field as the Class of 2009 became the newest alumni class at Gustavus Adolphus College. The class had the distinction of being one of only two at the College to exceed 600 in size—the other, the Class of 2002, comprised 609 degree candidates.

Commencement 2009 was the first Gustavus graduation

ceremony to be presided over by President **Jack R. Ohle** (right). Senior **Tasha Carlson** of Apple Valley, Minn. (above), representing her class, delivered the commencement address, and *summa cum laude* honors were announced for 48 class members as the class crossed the stage to receive commemorative pins before heading for the faculty from the departments in which they earned their major.

It has become a tradition to reveal the faculty winner of the Edgar M. Carlson Award for Distinguished Teaching during the commencement exercises, and the task of announcing the 2009 recipient fell to last year's recipient, Associate Professor of Political Science **Richard Leitch**, who introduced Professor of Music **Rick Orpen** to a standing ovation.







Left, Diversity Center director **Virgil Jones** (third from left) poses with graduates **Mikka McCracken**, **Kaleb Rumicho**, **Rhea Muchalla**, **Marlinda Sherbert**, and **Ray Wilson**.

Right, Chair of the Board **James Gale '83** welcomed more than 3,000 people to Commencement 2009.





Above, the weather cooperated as a reception on Eckman Mall followed the outdoor commencement exercises. At right, graduate **Vwaire Orhurhu**, who hails from Nigeria, is congratulated by his father, **Godwin Orhurhu**. Below, nursing major **Gretchen Libbey**, Minnetonka, Minn., earns a hug as she claims her diploma.



Stacia Vogel

Sports notes



The 2009 MIAC champion fastpitch softball team, pictured following their run in the NCAA Div. III national championship.

Softball team wins conference and regional titles, places third at NCAA national championship

The Golden Gustie softball team, led by senior All-American Rachael Click, posted the most successful season in the history of the program, winning the MIAC regular-season title with a record of 21–1 and finishing third at the NCAA Division III World Series in Montclair, New Jersey.

Coach Jeff Annis and his squad finished with an overall record of 42–9, smashing the old record for wins in a season (32, set in 2007). After claiming the regular season MIAC title, the Gusties finished second in the MIAC post-season tournament and then received an at-large berth in the NCAA tournament. Seeded #7 seed in the eight-team Midwest

Regional in Indianola, Iowa, the Gusties dominated the competition, posting a record of 4–0 and outscoring their opponents by a total of 41–14. Four Gustie players were named to the all-tournament team—senior shortstop Rachael Click (Rochester, Minn.), senior outfielder Emily Klein (Red Wing, Minn.), sophomore first baseman Emily Wendorff (Lakeville, Minn.), and first-year second baseman Lisa Klass (Richfield, Minn.). By winning the Midwest Regional, the team earned the program's first-ever berth in the NCAA Division III World Series.

Gustavus continued its record-breaking run in the national tournament by defeating the University



Rachel Click



Lisa Klass



Jeff Annis

Gusties dominate MIAC post-season softball awards

of Texas-Tyler 5-1 in the opening game of the finals. In their second game, the Gusties would get knocked into the losers' bracket of the double-elimination tournament by eventual national champion Messiah College (Penn.) by the score of 2-0. The squad battled back with impressive wins over Salisbury State (Md.) by the score of 10-4 and Tufts (Penn.) by the score of 5-0. Gustavus then faced regional rival Coe College of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for the chance to get to the championship game against Messiah, but Coe defeated the Gusties 4-2, sending them home with the third-place trophy. Four Gusties were named to the all-national tournament team: Click, Wendorff, Andrea Brown (Willmar, Minn.), and Kirsten Prunty (New Ulm, Minn.).

The Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference released its 2009 post-season softball awards in July, and Gustavus garnered the majority of the awards. Senior shortstop Rachael Click (Rochester, Minn.) was named the MIAC Player of the Year, Jeff Annis was named Coach of the Year, and first-year second baseman Lisa Klass (Richfield, Minn.) was named Rookie of the Year. The Gusties won the MIAC regular season title with a record of 21-1 and then finished second in the MIAC post-season tournament.

Click is the second player in the history of the program to be named MIAC Player of the Year, following Molly Biehn '04, who received the honor in 2003. Click, a four-time all-conference

performer, led the league in a number of the offensive categories, including batting average (.529), slugging (1.216), on-base percentage (.594), RBI (27), home runs (10), and total bases (62). She set the school record for home runs in a season with 16 and became only the third player in MIAC history to hit more than 30 home runs (35) in a career. She is just the third player in the program's history to earn all-conference honors four times in her career.

Klass was the only first-year player selected to the all-conference team. She compiled a .417 batting average and scored 31 runs while starting 46 games for the Gusties. Klass ranked second on the team with 39 RBI and second in doubles with 13. She

is the second Gustavus player in the last four years to earn MIAC Rookie of the Year honors, following Rachael Click, who was honored in 2006.

Head Coach Jeff Annis continues to build the Gustavus program into one of the finest in the country. He has now directed the Gusties to four consecutive 30-win seasons and has compiled a career mark of 135-36. His squad compiled a league mark of 21-1 this past season, leading the conference in pitching (0.99 ERA), tying for first in fielding (.974), and finishing second in hitting (.354). Annis's teams have been particularly strong in league play, posting a record of 78-10 in his four-year tenure as head coach.




Track and field teams excel at NCAA championships

The men's and women's track and field teams closed out their seasons in grand style with strong performances at the NCAA championships held in Marietta, Ohio. The women's team scored 27 points and finished sixth overall—the best finish in the program's history. The men's team scored nine points and finished tied for 36th overall.

Senior Lisa Brown (Lake Crystal, Minn.) led the way for the women's team as she won the national title in the javelin for the third time in her career with a throw of 158 feet. Junior Kaelene Lundstrum (Bird Island, Minn.) finished second in the high jump (5' 7") and fifth in the heptathlon (4,624 points), while Samantha Broderius (So., Hector, Minn.) placed seventh in both the shot put (43' 6") and the discus (140' 11"). The 4x400-meter relay team closed out the scoring with an eighth-place finish. The team, consisting of Danielle Burgmeier (FY., Plymouth, Minn.), Abby Karl (So., St. Cloud, Minn.), Elizabeth Pringle (Sr., Northfield, Minn.), and Lundstrum, posted a time of 3:54.47.

The men's team was led by senior Tyler Geyen (Watertown, Minn.) who finished fourth in the 110-meter hurdles with a time of 14.53 seconds. Geyen was also a part of the 4x400-meter relay team, which placed fifth in a time of 3:12.72. Joining Geyen on the relay team were Matt Leeb (So., Kasota, Minn.), Colby Citrowske (So., Canby, Minn.), and Cole Carlson (Jr., Mora, Minn.).


All of the above-mentioned athletes earned All-America honors by finishing in the top eight at an NCAA championship event. 

Thorkelson named Conference and Regional Coach of the Year

The Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) selected retiring head coach Tom Thorkelson '70 as the Women's Outdoor Track and Field Coach of the Year, while the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) honored him as the Division III Central Region Coach of the Year.



Tom Thorkelson


In his tenth season as head coach at Gustavus and his 24th season overall, Thorkelson led the Gustie women to a second-place showing at the MIAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships with the highest point total in school history (173). Gustavus also achieved nine NCAA provisional or automatic qualifying marks this season under his guidance. His squad went on to post a sixth-place finish at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships, the program's best finish ever. 

The Gustavus men's tennis team won its 21st consecutive MIAC title with a perfect league mark of 9–0. Coach Steve Wilkinson's squad also won the MIAC post-season tournament and went on to finish fifth at the NCAA championships.



Central Region Field Athlete of the Year, three-time national javelin champion

The United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCA) has named Gustavus senior Lisa Brown (Lake Crystal, Minn.) as the 2009 Division III Central Region Women's Field Athlete of the Year. Brown was one of eight student-athletes to receive regional athlete of year honors and is the first Gustavus track and field athlete to receive the honor.

Brown completed her career as one of the most successful javelin throwers in the history of Division III track and field at the 2009 NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships hosted by Marietta College in Ohio. After winning national titles in 2006 and 2008 and finishing second in 2007, she won a third national title with a stadium-record effort of 158 feet. She had won her fourth MIAC javelin title earlier in the spring, besting the competition by over 20 feet. She also finished third in the conference in the shot put and fourth in the discus. 



Lisa Brown




The Gustavus women's tennis team won its 18th consecutive MIAC title with a perfect league mark of 10-0. Coach Jon Carlson's squad also won the MIAC post-season tournament and went on to finish fifth at the NCAA championships.

Broderius named Outstanding Women's Field Athlete



Sam Broderius

Sophomore Sam Broderius (Hector, Minn.) was named the Outstanding Women's Field Athlete at the 2009 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Outdoor Track and Field Championships after winning titles in both the discus and the shot put.

Broderius captured the shot put title with a mark of 44 feet, 8-3/4 inches and the discus title with a mark of 148 feet, 3 inches, helping Gustavus compile 173 points as a team (the most in program history) en route to placing second at the conference meet. 



Click and Kosak named NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship winners



Rachel Click


Senior softball player Rachael Click and senior golfer Kimbra Kosak have been named two of 29 women's spring-sport recipients of NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships. Click, a NFCA All-American and MIAC Player of the Year, helped the Gustavus fastpitch team to a

third-place finish at the NCAA softball championships, while Kosak, the MIAC Senior Player of the Year, helped the golf team to a third-place finish at the national golf championships. Click and Kosak become the second and third Gustavus student athletes to receive NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships this year, joining swimmer Dave Pearson, who was honored earlier with other winter-sport participants.

Click, a native of Rochester, Minn., who graduated from Mayo High School, graduated with a 3.91 GPA majoring in elementary education. She is planning to pursue a graduate degree in athletic administration with hopes of becoming a collegiate softball coach and athletic administrator.

Kosak, a native of Grand Rapids, Minn, graduated with a 3.85 GPA majoring in elementary education. She is planning to pursue a graduate degree in educational administration after teaching at an elementary school for the next couple of years.

Since the start of the 2004-05 academic year, Gustavus ranks third for the most postgraduate scholars among all NCAA schools (Division I, II, and III). Stanford University has the most postgraduate scholars with 29, followed by Emory with 25 and Gustavus with 17. Gustavus has had a total of 27 student-athletes receive NCAA

Postgraduate Scholarships since football player James Goodwin '74 became the first in 1974. Gustavus is also part of an elite group of eight institutions in Division I, II, and III combined that have had at least one NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship winner for five consecutive years. That group includes Gustavus, Stanford, Seattle Pacific, University of Nebraska, Emory, Wingate, University of Florida, and Wartburg. 



Kimbra Kosak

Five named to CoSIDA Academic All-America Team

Five Gustavus student-athletes were named to the College Sports Information Directors' (CoSIDA) Academic All-America team this spring. Senior swimmer Dave Pearson (Woodbury, Minn.), junior men's hockey player David Martinson (St. Louis Park, Minn.), senior golfer Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.), and junior women's hockey player Melissa Mackley (Burnsville, Minn.) were named to the at-large team, while senior Rachael Click (Rochester, Minn.) was named to the softball squad. Pearson, Mackley, and Click were First Team honorees, while Martinson and Kosak were Second Team selections.

Pearson was a key member of the men's swimming and diving team that won MIAC championships in 2006 and 2008 and finished second in 2007 and 2009. He was a part of several relay teams including the 800-yard free relay that finished first at the MIAC championships in both 2008 and 2009 and went on to earn All-America honors at the NCAA championships with a sixth-place finish in 2008 and an eighth-place finish in 2009.

Martinson, a 2009 American Hockey Coaches Association (AHCA) First Team All-America honoree, helped the Gusties finish second at the NCAA Division III Men's Hockey Championship this season. He led Gustavus in scoring with 26 goals and 15 assists for 41 points and ranked second in Division III in goals scored.

Mackley, a 2009 First Team AHCA All-America and All-MIAC selection, was captain of the Gustavus women's hockey team that won the



Dave Pearson



David Martinson




Melissa Mackley

MIAC title with a record of 16–0–2 and was rated #1 in Division III for most of the season. Mackley led the Gusties in scoring with eight goals and 19 assists for 27 points.

Kosak finished tied for 27th individually at the 2009 NCAA Division III Women's Golf Championships in Port St. Lucie, Florida, where she helped the Gusties post a third-place team finish. She was named the Senior Player of the Year by the MIAC golf coaches and was also a First Team All-Midwest Region honoree.

Click, a shortstop on the MIAC champion softball team, was the MIAC Player of the Year and a NFCA Second Team All-America honoree. A four-time all-conference selection and a three-time All-Region honoree, Click becomes only the third student-athlete at Gustavus to earn CoSIDA Academic All-America honors three times, following gymnast Amanda Parker '05 (2003, 2004, and 2005) and baseball player Ben Sherer '06 (2004, 2005, and 2006).

Gustavus ranks seventh among all 435 Division III institutions in number of CoSIDA Academic All-Americans with 80. The Gusties have had 14 student-athletes honored by CoSIDA over the past two years—eight in 2007–08 and six in 2008–09. 


Gustavus eighth in NACDA Directors' Cup competition

The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) and Learfield Sports announced the final totals for the 2008–09 Directors' Cup in May, and Gustavus finished eighth out of 435 competing NCAA Division III institutions. The Directors' Cup, 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 18 sports with points awarded based on the number of teams participating in each specific national championship.

Gustavus's 765-point total is the most in school history (the previous high was 637 in 2002–03) and the most ever recorded by an MIAC institution in the NACDA Directors' Cup competition. The eighth-place finish is the second-highest finish by the Gusties, who achieved sixth

in 2002–03. Gustavus scored 424 points in the spring season alone, which was the second highest total in Division III behind champion Williams College (Mass.), which scored 446 points in spring sports to win the Division III title with a total of 1066.50 points.

Gustavus recorded national finishes in 12 sports, including men's ice hockey (2nd, 90), softball (3rd, 86.5), women's golf (3rd, 85), men's tennis (5th, 73), women's tennis (5th, 73), women's ice hockey (5th, 25), women's track and field (6th, 73.5), men's swimming (15th, 60), women's nordic skiing (21st, 32), volleyball (33rd, 25), women's swimming (35th, 39), and men's track and field (36th, 36.5).

The Gusties placed in the top ten for the fifth time in the past eight years and in the top 25 for the 13th time in the 14-year history of the Directors' Cup. 



Ryan Klinkner

Members of the Gustavus women's golf team receive their trophies following the team's third-place showing at the NCAA national championship: from left, Coach Scott Moe '95, senior Kimbra Kosak, first-year Amanda Woodhull, first-year Taylor Drenttel, junior All-American Kali Griggs, and sophomore Katie Schenfeld.

Women's golf team finishes third at NCAA championships

The Gustavus women's golf team wrapped up the most successful season in the history of the program with a third-place finish at the NCAA championships. The Gusties, who won 7 of the 11 tournaments they played in during the fall and spring seasons, were led by junior All-American Kali Griggs (Burnsville, Minn.), who finished sixth individually with a 72-hole total of 77-80-78-79-314. Griggs was joined by Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.), who finished 27th at 80-83-81-83-327, Katie Schenfeld (So., Indianola, Iowa), who finished 54th at 87-81-87-79-334, Taylor Drenttel (FY., Eagan, Minn.), who placed 54th at 80-84-86-84-334, and Amanda Woodhull (FY., Minnetonka, Minn.), who finished 69th at 85-80-81-93-339. Twenty-one teams participated in the tournament, which was played at the PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Florida. 

Three earn MIAC women's golf awards

The Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) announced the 2008-09 MIAC Women's Golf Awards in May, and the conference-champion Gusties were the big winners, as Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.) was selected as Senior of the Year, Taylor Drenttel (Eagan, Minn.) was named Rookie of the Year, and Coach Scott Moe '95 was named Coach of the Year.

Kosak finished her senior year with a stroke average of 82.5. During her four-year career, she was a three-time all-conference honoree, the 2006 NCGA Division III Rookie of the Year, and two-time top-ten finisher at the NCAA championships (2007 and 2008). Kosak also received the NCGA Division III Kim Moore Spirit Award in 2008.

Drenttel played a key role in helping the Gusties win the conference title and go on to finish third at the national championships. She post-



Kimbra Kosak




Taylor Drenttel



Scott Moe '95

ed a 83.5 stroke average and claimed five top-ten individual finishes in 10 events. She received all-conference honors after finishing eighth at the MIAC championships with a 54-hole total of 78-87-86-251.

Coach Moe led Gustavus to the program's first MIAC championship in October.

After finishing second to St. Thomas the previous four seasons, the Gusties posted a nine-stroke victory at the championships. Moe, in his sixth season, had four players finish in the top ten at the championships and earn All-MIAC honors. The National Golf Coaches Association (NGCA) also honored Moe as the Midwest Region Coach of the Year. He was previously named MIAC Coach of the Year in 2005, women's National Coach of the Year in 2008, and men's National Coach of the Year in 2004. 

Wilkinson and Thorkelson announce retirements after long and successful careers

Two well-respected spring sport coaches announced their retirements at the conclusion of the 2009 season. Steve Wilkinson stepped down as head coach of the men's tennis program after 39 years, and Tom Thorkelson '70 stepped down as coach of the men's and women's track and field programs after 24 years, including the last 10 years as head coach.

After taking over the Gustavus tennis program in 1971, Wilkinson compiled a remarkable overall record of 929–279 (.769) and a Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) mark of 334–1 (.997). His 923rd victory, which came against Wartburg in late April, moved him past Jim Verdick of the University of Redlands into first place with most victories in the history of collegiate men's tennis (Divisions I, II, and III, and NAIA). Wilkinson's squads won two NCAA Division III titles (1980 and 1982) as well as 35 MIAC titles. In addition, his players claimed six national doubles titles and four national singles titles. He coached 46 players to 87 All-America honors (including current ATP tour player Eric Butorac), 103 players to 226 all-conference honors, and five CoSIDA Academic All-Americans.

Recognized as one of the most prominent coaches in collegiate tennis history, Wilkinson has been involved in numerous national tennis organizations and has served on the executive committees of the United States Professional Tennis Association, the Intercollegiate Tennis Association, and the United States Tennis Association. He was inducted into the Iowa Tennis Hall of Fame in 1974, the Northern



Steve Wilkinson




Tom Thorkelson

Tennis Association Hall of Fame in 1983, and the United States Tennis Association Missouri Valley Hall of Fame in 1999.

During the past ten years, Thorkelson has led the women's track and field team to seven second-place finishes at the MIAC indoor championships and six second-place finishes at the MIAC outdoor championships. He has coached 96 female indoor and outdoor track and field athletes to 257 all-conference honors and 12 to 20 All-America honors during his

tenure as head coach. On the men's side, Thorkelson led the Gusties to a second-place finish at the MIAC indoor championships and a third-place finish at the MIAC outdoor championships in 2003. The Gusties went on to finish a program-best fourth place at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships and 12th place at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships that same year. While directing the men's program, Thorkelson coached 44 male indoor and outdoor track and field athletes to 158 all-conference honors and 14 to 21 All-America honors.

In addition to his involvement with track and field at Gustavus, Thorkelson was involved at various other levels of track and field, having served as a judge at the Minnesota State High School Track and Field Championships and the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships for many years. He is also internationally certified as a USA Track and Field official and has served as a member of the National Sports Center Track and Field Council. 

Spring Sports Summary

by Tim Kennedy '82

Softball – Coach Jeff Annis's squad recorded the most successful season in the program's history, winning the MIAC regular-season title with a mark of 21–1 and finishing third at the NCAA championship. The team compiled an overall mark of 42–9. Senior shortstop Rachael Click (Rochester, Minn.) was selected the MIAC Player of the Year as well as being named to the National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) All-America Team. Click, second baseman Lisa Klass (Richfield, Minn.), outfielder Emily Klein (Red Wing, Minn.), and pitcher Erin Truebenbach (Mapleton, Minn.) were named to the all-conference team.

Baseball – The Gusties posted a record of 17–21 overall and finished eighth in the MIAC with a record of 9–11. Coach Mike Carroll's squad was led by senior shortstop Mike DesLauriers (Minnetonka, Minn.), who was a First Team All-MIAC selection.

Men's Tennis – Coach Steve Wilkinson's squad claimed its 21st consecutive MIAC Title with a 9–0 mark during the regular season. The Gusties went on to win the MIAC post-season tournament and finished fifth at the NCAA championships, posting an overall mark of 27–9. Senior John Kauss (St. Paul, Minn.) qualified for the NCAA singles tournament and advanced to the semifinals before being knocked out. Kauss and teammate Mike Burdakin (Bettendorf, Iowa) participated in the national doubles draw and advanced to the quarterfinals before they were eliminated. Both Kauss and Burdakin received All-America honors from the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

Women's Tennis – The Gusties cruised to their 18th consecutive MIAC regular-season title, posting a league mark of 10–0. Coach Jon Carlson's squad went on to win the MIAC post-season tournament and finished fifth at the NCAA championships, posting an overall mark of 23–10.

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Former coaches earn major honors

Two former varsity coaches at Gustavus Adolphus College have earned special honors in their respective sports. Former men's hockey coach Don Roberts '56 has been recognized for his lengthy and outstanding service to college hockey as the 2009 recipient of the Hobey Baker Legends of Hockey Award, and former men's basketball and golf coach Myer "Whitey" Skoog was awarded a singular honor by his alma mater, the University of Minnesota, when the university's athletics department retired his basketball jersey during a halftime ceremony at a Gopher game on Feb. 22.

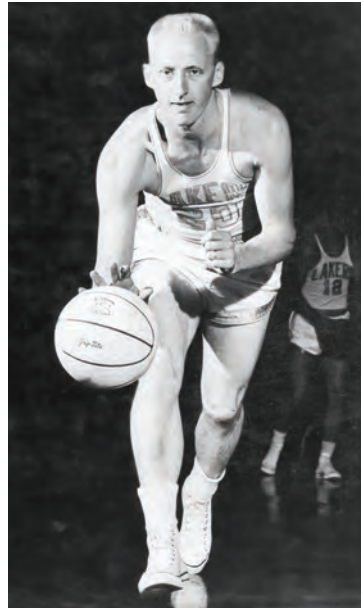


Don Roberts '56

Roberts's award, presented by the Hobey Baker Memorial Award Foundation, was presented at the foundation's annual banquet on May 7, 2009. He was honored along with Matt Gilroy of Boston University, the 2009 Hobey Baker Award winner.

Roberts coached Gustavus to a 532–290–25 record in a career that spanned 33 seasons (1964–1997) and retired as the winningest coach in the history of Division III men's hockey. His 532 wins rank him 12th all-time in all divisions of collegiate hockey.

Roberts served as the chair of the board and president of the American Hockey Coaches Association (AHCA) and received the John MacInnes Award from the AHCA for lifetime commitment to collegiate hockey in 1993. He was named MIAC Coach of the Year seven times (1973, 1975, 1976, 1984, 1990, 1991, and 1993) and in 1975 was named the National Coach of the Year by both the AHCA and the NAIA.




Myer "Whitey" Skoog

He played a key role in the fundraising and construction of the College's ice arena, which was named in his honor in 1998, and also founded the St. Peter Youth Hockey Association in 1966, serving as its president for 12 years.

Skoog, a Brainerd, Minn., native who starred for Gopher basketball teams between 1948 and 1951, was a three-time all-conference selection and a two-time All-American. He went on to a six-year NBA career with the Minneapolis Lakers and was a key part of three NBA championship teams.

He is widely credited with

being the first player ever to take a jump shot in a game (in 1944, when he was a Brainerd High School player)—a talent that he perfected while at Minnesota.

Skoog joined the faculty at Gustavus in 1957, teaching physical education (–1991); coaching men's basketball (–1981) and winning the MIAC championship in the 1967–68 season and a co-championship in 1974–75 as well as five second-place finishes; and coaching men's golf from 1973 through 1996, with 18 conference championships and six NCAA national tournament appearances. 

Spring Sports Summary

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Men's Track and Field – Junior Cole Carlson (Mora, Minn.) won the 400-meter dash with an NCAA provisional and school-record time of 48.03 to help the Gustavus men's track and field team finish in seventh place with 65.5 points at the MIAC Outdoor Track and Field Championships hosted by Carleton College. Senior Tyler Geyen (Watertown, Minn.) earned second in the 110-meter hurdles with a NCAA provisional time of 14.50 and fifth in the javelin at a distance of 172 feet, 7 inches.

Women's Track and Field – The Gustavus women's track and field team won seven individual events as it compiled 173 points—the highest point total in program history—to finish second at the MIAC championships hosted by Carleton College. Sophomore Sam Broderius (Hector, Minn.) captured multiple event titles with NCAA provisional marks in the shot put (44 feet, 8 3/4 inches) and the discus (148 feet, 3 inches). Other event winners for the Gusties included Lisa Brown (Lake Crystal, Minn.) in the javelin, Kaelene Lundstrum (Bird Island, Minn.) in the heptathlon, Janey Helland (Mapleton,

Minn.) in the long jump, Aryn Bell (Eden Prairie, Minn.) in the 100-meter hurdles, and Laura Secor (Stillwater, Minn.) in the 400-meter hurdles.

Men's Golf – The Gusties posted three top-five finishes in their six spring tournaments. Coach Scott Moe's squad finished fourth at both the Wartburg Invitational and the Saint John's Invitational. Junior Ricky Copeland (Mahtomedi, Minn.) led the team in stroke average with a 75.6 average in 11 rounds.

Women's Golf – The Gustavus women's golf team closed out an outstanding spring season with a third-place finish at the NCAA championships. Coach Scott Moe's squad won three of the six tournaments it played during the spring season, claiming team titles at the Wartburg Invitational, the St. Thomas Invitational, and the Gustavus Invitational. Junior Kali Griggs (Burnsville, Minn.), who was named to the National Golf Coaches Association All-America Team (NGCA), led the team with a 79.5 stroke average in the six spring tournaments.

Tim Kennedy '82 has been sports information director at Gustavus since 1990.



Three gift planners join advancement staff

Thomas Young '88, vice president for institutional advancement, has announced the addition of three new gift planners to his staff. **Jim Rothschiller** and **JackieLynn Neeck Peterson '77** joined the advancement team in April 2009, while **Jacque Schwartz Brunsberg '81** started in June. With these additions, the Office of Institutional Advancement now has a full complement of professionals to work with individuals whose gifts may support new and existing College programs.


Rothschiller comes to Gustavus from Chaska, Minn., where he most recently worked with the Center for Spiritual and Physical Healing and was senior pastor at Crown of Glory Lutheran Church (ELCA). He and his wife, Sandy, also an ELCA pastor, have two daughters, the older of which—Lauren—will matriculate at Gustavus in September.

Peterson has worked in the field of communications and public relations in the Twin Cities for 13 years, the past 6 as owner of Communications Results, based in Plymouth, Minn. Her husband, the Rev. Wayne Peterson '77, pastor of Saint Barnabas Lutheran Church in Plymouth, is currently a member of the College's Board of Trustees.



A trio of new gift planners: Jacque Schwartz Brunsberg '81, Jim Rothschiller, and JackieLynn Neeck Peterson '77.

They have two children; their daughter, Kaitlyn, is a junior at Gustavus this fall.

Brunsborg has a background in sales and business management. This includes experience as an area sales manager with Southland Corp. and as a personal finance planner with Prudential-Bache. Her husband, Jon '79, has retired from UnitedHealth Group and is working independently as a healthcare actuarial consultant. The younger of their two children, Jordan, is a sophomore at Gustavus this fall. 

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For ideas, visit the Gustavus website at gustavus.edu, clicking on "Giving to Gustavus" and then "Planned (and Estate) Giving Resources."



Two advancement professionals promoted

Two members of the institutional advancement staff have been promoted to positions involving increased responsibility.

Aleta Lin, who has worked at Gustavus since 2007 as assistant director of the Gustavus Annual Fund, has been promoted to director of the Gustavus Annual Fund, reporting to Assistant Vice President and




Gustavus Annual Fund Director Aleta Lin

Director of Development **William Johnson**. Her responsibilities include all aspects of the College's Annual Fund and alumni giving programs. She leads a team that includes the associate director of reunion giving, **Kathryn Erlandson**.

Ann Johnson, who joined the College in 2001 as the donor relations associate, has been named director of advancement services, reporting to Vice President for Institutional Advancement **Thomas Young '88**. Her responsibilities include gift ac-



Donor relations professionals Kristine Straumann '07 and Ann Johnson

counting, database management, gift planning support, and stewardship. **Kristine Straumann '07** has been hired to Johnson's former position in donor relations. 

Online information, resources, ideas

Have you looked at the "Giving to Gustavus" website lately? Just enter gustavus.edu/giving. The list of resources includes:

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Gustavus Alumni Association

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Book men

Donald R. Peterson '52 (left) accompanied Books-for-Africa founder Thomas E. Warth in March to Benin, West Africa, where the students at Pahou High School in Contonou were the recipients of a shipment of books. This Minnesota-based organization has shipped over 20 million books to 45 African countries since Warth founded it in 1988. Peterson and Warth are pictured with the welcome sign greeting the two men when they reached Contonou. The two friends later celebrated Don's 80th birthday in Timbuktu, Mali.



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John F. Thoreen, Oak Park Heights, was named a 2008 Stillwater Area High School Distinguished Alumni ■ **Kathleen Zimmerman Voss**, St. Peter, is a retired junior high English and speech teacher from the Le Center district; her husband, Lee, is a farmer.

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Jeanette Asplund Iverson, Northfield, is a retired RN ■ **Lorraine Holmgren Jacobson**, Briceyn, went to Jordan and Egypt this spring.

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Ardis Swanson Almen, Oviedo, FL, is a retired teacher ■ **Robert W. Anderson**, Edina, is retired and a member at Normandale Lutheran Church ■ **Evelyn Anderson Bosin**, St. Paul, is a retired teacher ■ **William A. Bosin**, St. Paul, is a retired research chemist ■ **Milt Brostrom**, St. Peter, was inducted

into the Gustavus Adolphus College Athletics Hall of Fame ■ **Robert O. Collick**, La Quinta, CA, is a retired pastor ■ **Don L. Conrad**, Lawrence, KS, is a retired pastor ■ **Paul A. Edstrom**, Eagan, is a retired pastor ■ **Vernon A. Ellman**, Turlock, CA, is a retired engineer ■ **Ann Smith Fahrman**, Stewartville, is a retired receptionist ■ **R. Howard Fehr**, Eau Claire, WI, is a retired ELCA pastor ■ **Friendly Norman Foreman**, Redwood Falls, is a retired teacher ■ **Mildred Covey Hill**, Forest Lake, is a retired teacher ■ **Dottie Davis Hofstad**, Silver Spring, MD, is a retired second-grade teacher ■ **Joe Iverson**, Northfield, is a retired professor of education ■ **Eunice Bloomquist Johnson**, St. James, is president of St. James Friends of the Library ■ **Peg Asp Hanson**, Tulsa, OK, attends Fellowship Lutheran Church ■ **Marian Erickson Johnson**, Red Wing, is a member at First Lutheran Church ■ **Maurine Ibberson Johnson**, Mankato, is co-owner, semi-retired, of the Lorraine Shop ■ **Rosemarie Lestor Johnson**, Minneapolis, volunteers at the American Swedish Institute ■ **Shirley Dawes Johnson**, Milaca, and her husband, Walden, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in Arizona ■ **Walter C. Johnson**, Mankato, is active in the Rotary and Chamber of Commerce ■ **Paul D. Kinney**, St. Cloud, is a retired high school principal ■ **Gretchen Tesch Larson**, North Oaks, is retired ■ **Levonne Larson Larson**, Roseville, retired in 1992 from Lutheran Brotherhood ■ **Robert E. Larson**, Bloomington, is retired president

and CEO of Farm Oyl Company ■ **Warren Larson**, North Oaks, is chairman and CEO of Midway Container, Inc. ■ **LeRoy Martinson**, Valparaiso, IN, is a retired professor ■ **Jerome Monahan**, Rochester, is retired as a CPA ■ **Joyce Flink Mortensen**, Fort Myers, FL, is a retired teacher ■ **Jim Mortensen**, Fort Myers, FL, is a retired school superintendent ■ **Don S. Nolte**, Edina, is retired from RBD Dain Rauscher ■ **Richard E. Ogren**, St. Croix Falls, WI, is a retired business and marketing instructor ■ **Anna Mae Backlund Peterson**, Benson, is a retired teacher ■ **Ellery Peterson**, St. Peter, is a retired CPA ■ **Marion Carlson Stief-Sletten**, Eden Prairie, is a retired microbiologist ■ **Ed Swanson**, Madelia, is a retired pastor ■ **Harry M. Wenner**, St. Cloud, is a retired educator ■ **Arthur Wickstrom**, Fergus Falls, is retired; he served 23 years in the U.S. Naval Reserve ■ **Dale Windhorn**, St. Peter, is retired from Bolton and Menk.

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Dorothy Sederberg Olson, New Brighton, went on a Mexican Riviera cruise with her family in April.

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Norma Johnson Carlson, Milaca, is a retired teacher ■ **Paul E. Johnson**, Monroe, NC, is medical director of Hospice of Union Co. ■ **Ellis Jones**, St. Peter, is a retired professor at Gustavus Adolphus College ■ **Paul W. Lindau**, Beaver Dam, WI, illustrated his first book, *The Girl Grows in Old Chicago*, by Marge Wold.

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Adelaide Rethwill Meyer, Tucson, AZ, retired as a docent at the Tucson Museum of Art ■ **Darrell Anderson**, Buffalo, is a retired co-op manager and accountant ■ **Mike Anderson**, Hot Springs Village, AR, owns and shows quarter horses with daughter Lisa ■ **Valerie Olson Andrews**, Kettering, OH, has traveled to 79 countries so far ■ **Gladys Johnson Biltonen**, Mounds View, is a retired supervisor ■ **Frances Gabrielson Blomgren**, Castro Valley, CA, is retired ■ **Sharon Anthony Bower**, Stanford, CA, is president of Confidence Training, Inc. ■ **Rhoda Roadfeldt Cocca**, Pasadena, CA, is retired from City of Hope ■ **Roy E. Daumann**, Eden Prairie, is a retired anesthesiologist ■ **Jean Kirkvold Emholtz**, River Falls, WI, is retired ■ **Phyllis Anderson Erickson**, Faribault, is a retired teacher ■ **Marlys Setterholm Gamm**, Circle Pines, is a retired accountant ■ **Mary Lundgren Hauck**, Northfield, is a retired professor and swim coach ■ **George Haun**, Winter Haven, FL, is a retired mayor ■ **Clare Berntson Hibbard**, White Bear Lake, is a retired media specialist and English teacher ■ **Barbara Gruse Johnson**, Ortonville, is retired from the Marshall School District ■ **Sylvia Johnson Johnson**, White Bear Lake, is active at her church, serving as a confirmation leader, Sunday School teacher, tutor, and president of the women's ministry ■ **Janet Hanson Jones**, St. Peter, is a retired clerical worker and sings in the choir at First Lutheran Church ■ **Dayton Martinson**, St. Peter, is retired ■



Class of 1949 – 60th Anniversary Class

Front row: Ruth Tolman Helland, LeVonne Larson Larson, Maurine Ibberson Johnson, Ellen Stahlberg Schroder, Helen Johnson Carter, Anna Mae Backlund Peterson, Ardis Swanson Almen. **Back row:** Howard Albertson, Walter Johnson, Robert Anderson, Milt Brostrom, William Bosin.

Marilyn Reiten Meyer, Silver Spring, MD, is coordinator of medical records and supplies for Manor Care Potomac ■ **Donald A. Miller**, Mankato, is retired from the Mankato Public Schools ■ **Kay Norman Noren**, Shorewood, is retired ■ **Paul W. Olson**, Devon, PA, is president of ANA Laboratories ■ **Jean Simonson Rolloff**, Moline, IL, is retired ■ **Ellen Togikawa Ryusaki**, Honolulu, HI, is retired from Kalani High School ■ **Ardis Peterson Schwarz**, Vero Beach, FL, is retired ■ **Arlene Waxlax Sondag**, St. Paul, is a retired teaching instructor ■ **Marlowe L. Sprain**, Chisago City, is a retired dentist ■ **Marilyn Ahlgren Stewart**, West Hartford, CT, is a retired special education teacher ■ **Paul O. Vollen**, Spicer, is chairman of Lake Region Bank ■ **Phyl Johnson Wegner**, Silverthorne, CO, is retired and enjoys traveling ■ **Shirley Thornquest Welch**, Minneapolis, is retired ■ **Shirley Johnson Wilson**, Bloomington, is retired.

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Barbara Brunkow Avery, Kalamazoo, MI, is a retired physical therapist ■ **Paul C. Lund**, Pequot Lakes, is retired ■ **Lois Moran Sprain**, Chisago City, is a retired teacher.

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Ellen Anderson Jacobson, Burnsville, is a retired teacher ■ **Wayne Palmer**, Bloomington, is a retired chemist.



Birthday Club goes on celebrating

The Gustavus Alumni Birthday Club was formed by Doreen (Dee) Borgstrom Johnson '42 and Laverne Johnson Lofgren '42 many years ago. At that time members were couples whose wives were members of the Sigma Delta sorority. Over the years membership has changed but always has included Gusties. The members' ages now range from 89 to 94. They get together whenever their Gustie offspring can drive them to the party. This photo was taken in November 2008, at Interlachen Country Club. The same members had their most recent gathering at the Lowell Inn in Stillwater in May 2009.

Pictured from left are **Carl Lofgren '40**, **Nancy Gunn Nordlund '42**, **Evie Strom Pearson '40**, **Mignon Carter Johnson '41**, **Edsel Johnson '42**, **Dee Borgstrom Johnson '42**, **Peggy Akerson Johnson '42**, and **C. Eddie Johnson '42**.



Raarup named "High School Hero" by CHSAA

Dennis Raarup '53, Littleton, CO, has been named a "High School Hero of the Week" by the Colorado High School Activities Association. The program celebrates teachers and students who have excelled in the classroom, the community, and the field of play. It also highlights outstanding individuals who have prioritized school, leadership, community involvement, athletic accomplishment, and other CHSAA-related activities into their lives and found success.

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Class of 1954 – 55th Anniversary Class

Seated: Janet Hanson Jones. **Front row:** John Sandquist, Dianne Anglemeyer Clinton, Phyl Johnson Wegner, Jean Kirkvold Emholtz, Marlys Setterholm Gamm, Rhoda Roadfeldt Cocca, Sharon Anthony Bower, Marilyn Nelson Leverenz, Marilyn Reiten Meyer, Mary Lundgren Hauck. **Second row:** Bob Gamm, Phyllis Anderson Erickson, Gloria Brouillette Strom, Barbara Gruse Johnson, Jean Kovacs Larson, Helen Forsgren Hokenson, Shirley Lund Flom. **Third row:** Roger Carlson, Paul Olson, John Wright, Paul Vollan, Lewis Moon, David Johnson. **Fourth row:** Arthur Lee, Vic Carter, Dick Brubacher, Betty Lundgren Schlotthauer, Marilyn Peterson Reaser, Mike Anderson. **Back row:** John Chell, Forrest Chaffee, Arne Peterson, Arlene Waxlax Soday, Jean Simonson Rolloff, Rollee Herbst.



Anniversary pre-party

Roommates from the **Class of 1954** gathered at John and Joan Bonn Wright's cabin in Wisconsin prior to their 55th anniversary reunion on campus last May. Pictured from left are **Paul Olson '54**, **Janet Christenson Carlson '53**, **Vic Carter '54**, **Roger Carlson '54**, **Andrea Olson**, **John Wright '54**, **Joan Bonn Wright '55**, and **Janet Carter**.

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Beverly Duncan Anderson, Sun City West, AZ, and her husband, Roger, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in July. **Paul Borg**, Olalla, WA, is retired from Yakima Valley Community College. **John C. Dahl**, Apple Valley, is retired. **Don Elvestrom**, Lutsen, is retired from General Mills. **Dennis Erickson**, St. Peter, spent April in Arkansas volunteering with Heifer International Ranch. **Dean Fredlund**, Salmon Arm, British Columbia, volunteers at Second Harvest, sings in a choir, and has travelled extensively in Portugal and Spain. **Carol Lund Garone**, Andover, MA, is retired. **Lois Walfrid Johnson**, Alexandria, has written a new book, *Girl Talk: 52 Weekly Devotions*. **Wanda Heuer**



Johnson, Bemidji, is so proud that her granddaughter will start at Gustavus in Fall 2009 ■ **Alexander Nadesan**, Bemidji, is professor emeritus of political science at Bemidji State ■ **Dale Olson**, Buffalo, works part-time at Sterling Drug ■ **Robbie Robinson**, Mesa, AZ, officially retired last year after 50 years of teaching English; he is still coaching football and track and was named National Boys Track Coach of the Year in 2008 ■ **Janice Carlson Strand**, Bozeman, MT, and her husband, Lynn, celebrated 50 years of marriage in August 2008.

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Sandra J. Anderson, Bloomington, is a retired teacher ■ **Sonia G. Anderson**, Bloomington, is a retired teacher ■ **John Bold**, Eden Prairie, is a retired retailer with Dayton Hudson Corporation ■ **Evelyn E. Bonander**, Cambridge, MA, is a retired executive director of social services at Massachusetts General Hospital and serves on the board of the Friends of the MGH Cancer Center ■ **Marian Fickes Borg**, Olalla, WA, runs a craft business with her daughter featuring hand-sewn linens and glassware ■ **Dean R. Brown**, Winona, is retired ■ **Elizabeth Sandquist Brown**, Henderson, NV, is chair of Sun City Travel Club and active in the Citizens on Patrol group ■ **Deone Nordquist Cartford**, Wautoma, WI, is a retired teacher and has led trips with her husband, Larry, to over 50 countries ■ **Larry D. Cartford**, Wautoma, WI, is retired from AAL ■ **Janet Sommers Chell**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, is a retired Montessori teacher ■ **Ted E. Chell**, Winnipeg, Manitoba, is a retired pastor ■ **John A. Dalin**, Rochester, is retired director of the learning resource center at Ridgewater College ■ **John Elstrom**, Lake Forest, IL, is an orthopaedic surgeon ■ **Joyce Johnson Elvestrom**, Lutsen, serves on the Gustavus Library Associates board ■ **Dick Faye**, Webster, WI, is retired president and owner of Promotional Sports ■ **Lynette Street Flato**, Forestville, CA, is a retired showroom manager ■ **Kay Carlson Gritton**, St. Louis Park, works part time at Whymys ■ **Jerry J. Hoffman**, St. Anthony Village, is director of the center for stewardship leaders at Luther Seminary ■ **Barbara Flueger Jackson**, Woodbury, is a retired medical technologist ■ **Weldon M. Jacobson**, Burnsville, is retired from General Mills and has

five grandchildren ■ **Dan Johns**, Tower, is a retired pastor ■ **Ben Johnson**, St. Cloud, is a retired professor ■ **Jeanette Westberg Johnston**, Moscow, ID, is a retired teacher ■ **Emilie Johnson Lokensgard**, St. Peter, is retired owner of the Tulip Tree store ■ **Gloria Swanson Lund**, Pequot Lakes, is retired ■ **Morris Lundgren**, Staples, is a retired counselor ■ **Robert C. Moland**, Calgary, Alberta, is a retired pastor ■ **J. David Nordstrom**, Huntington Woods, MI, is a retired professor ■ **LaVonne Kyrklund Olsen**, Nicollet, is a retired business teacher and retired owner of Vonnie's Gift Cupboard ■ **Ione Hultander Olson**, Buffalo, is retired ■ **Jocelyn Neufeld Palmer**, Bloomington, is retired from Augsburg College ■ **Stanley Palmer**, Steilacoom, WA, is vice chairman of Marvin & Palmer Assoc Inc ■ **Jack R. Proeschel**, Wesley Chapel, FL, is a retired manager at Johnson and Johnson ■ **Marlo Putz**, Buffalo, is a retired college professor ■ **Richard D. Royle**, Sun Lakes, AZ, is retired ■ **Sally Nordstrom Sarff**, Plymouth, splits her time between Plymouth and Two Harbors, MN, and Venice, FL ■ **Shirley Zaske Sweeney**, Monticello, is retired.

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Gary J. Hagen, Big Lake, is principal instructor for Univac, Paramax, Unisys, and Lockheed Martin ■ **Sonja Alenheim Hirsch**, Edina, is retired from Discovery Toys ■ **Suzanne Wasgatt Johnson**, St. Cloud, is an artist at Art by Suzanna ■ **Cameron Johnston**, Moscow, ID, is retired ■ **Gary Mau**, Lakeland, and wife, Dottie '61, own and operate Beanie's at Maui's Landing, an old fashioned bait shop and boat launch ■ **Mary Jane Lageson Putz**, Buffalo, is a retired medical technologist.

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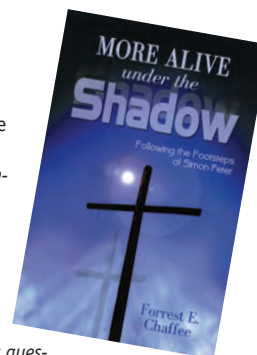
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Joan Miller Hoffman, St. Anthony Village, is a retired teacher ■ **Lorene Johnson Johnson**, Crossville, TN, is retired from the Tecumseh School District ■ **James S. Krough**, Wayzata, owns Northland Medical, Inc. ■ **Patti Maedl Krough**, Wayzata, is slowly retiring from her career in fitness ■ **Jim C. Mortenson**, Eden Prairie, is a retired construction manager.

Chaffee writes book on Simon Peter

Forrest Chaffee '54, St. Peter, MN, retired after more than 50 years as a Lutheran pastor in Minnesota and Iowa, has published a new book, *More Alive under the Shadow: Following the Footsteps of Simon Peter*. While each of the disciples played a part in Jesus' ministry and the formation of the early church, Simon Peter's role was more prominent than most. His ministry and influence are still felt in the church today. *More Alive under the Shadow* examines Peter's life as recorded in the New Testament, revealing valuable lessons for us today, such as forgiveness, boldness, loyalty, and acceptance. With thought-provoking questions included, this is an excellent resource for small-group study, sermon preparation, or personal reflection. *More Alive under the Shadow* offers encouragement and illumination for all Christians living under Peter's shadow. More information may be found at the CSS Publishing Company website, www.csspub.com/prod-0788026119.htm.



First Person: 'Old Age ain't for sissies'

by Buck Emberg '55

Buck Emberg '55, president of the Democrat Club at Gustavus, was trouble for Bill Albertson '55, president of the Republican Club, and Bill was trouble for Buck. Some would remember the political debate the two friends had in chapel when Eisenhower opposed Stevenson for the U.S. presidency in 1954. Jim Ford '53, later to become the chaplain for the U.S. House of Representatives, chose the closing hymn. Both Bill and Buck pounced on the past records of the terrible Democrats and the dreadful Republicans. The hymn? "I look not back, God knows our fruitless efforts."

Still seeking to be fruitful at 77, Buck is as fully involved in the political process as he was at age 20. Moving to Canada in 1959, he became involved in the newly formed New Democrat Party. Moving back to the U.S. some years later, Buck was involved in serious conflicts with the John Birch Society and anti-sex education groups. A bullet hole in his office window was a memento of the confrontations. He was also a precinct captain for the Democrats.

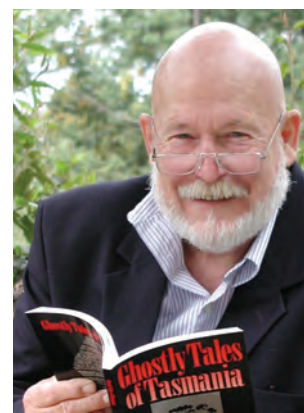
Moving to Australia and teaching university classes, Buck immediately joined the Labor Party, but as the Laborites drifted to the political right he joined the Green Party in Tasmania. Then he discovered the new political reality and was to become involved in the environmental/forestry debate. The Tasmanian government was busy replacing hundreds of old-growth forests with American radiata pine plantations—hardly a good ecological solution for Australia. Buck and his Tasmanian-born wife, Joan, helped found Tasmanians Against the Pulpmill. The state government was allowing the largest pulp mill in the world to be built in the beautiful Tamar River Valley, home of 120,000 people and hundreds of green, productive businesses.

Buck and Joan began to gather signatures for their Voters' Block, dedicated to the overthrow of Labor party politicians, Liberal party politicians, and any independent politician who wanted the pulp mill in the Valley. They now have 23,000 people in their group and have knocked off a few politicians. Buck says, "More will follow."

New elections loom in Tasmania. Buck and Joan are in the forefront of the battle. Says Joan, "We will never give up! This mill is an abomination." They speak at many gatherings in Tasmania.

Meanwhile, Buck is finishing his thesis on his Ph.D. in Tasmanian history. Joan said that this proves he is a slow learner because he started his doctorate 42 years ago at the University of Washington after completing a master's degree in propaganda. They will tilt at any government or business that seeks to take democracy from the people. Their eight children and 20 grandchildren wonder why they are not home more often. "Too busy," they say. "Retirement will have to wait."

Buck and Joan's adventures may be followed on their website, www.tasmanian-tiger.com



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Front row: Carol Nelson Groseth, Marcia Hedberg Wallin, Delores 'Tusa' Johnson Bergman, Carol Hansen Johns, Lois Madsen Allen, Lynda Johnson Minnick, Susan Hansen, Dorothy Rylander Johnson, Donna Seaberg Madden, Jeanette Westberg Johnston. **Second row:** Carol Johnson Heyl, Elaine Torrey Holmen, Ione Hultander Olson, Delores Johnson Huanca, Len Brown, Pat Sweeney, Shirley Zaske Sweeney, Ken RockVam, Chuck Lower, Elizabeth Johnson Dahl. **Third row:** Jane Wells Behrhorst, Linda Lund Anderson, Jerry Hoffman, Warren Soday, Bob Moland, Charles Johnson, Weldon Jacobson. **Back row:** Peter Spell, John Bold, Dean Nelson, Buzz Flolid, Dick Halvarson.



Class of 1959 – 50th Anniversary Class

Front row: Fritz Kilander, Stu Anderson, Ted Chell, Janet Sommers Chell, Jeanne Turnquist Lindstrom, Nancy Anderson Guber, Marilyn Gustafson Asp, LaVonne Kyrklund Olsen, Marian Fickes Borg, Dagmar Kociscak Isaacson. **Second row:** Dean Hillman, Joyce Johnson Elvestrom, Jeanette Reinke Carlson, Joan Belanger Broten, Roxanne Rosendahl Steiner, Diana Sroder Johnson, Cliff Johnson, Marie Munson Rutter, Deone Nordquist Cartford, Donna Bjerkstrand Gray, Earl Jackson. **Third row:** Ralph Akermark, Connie Collamore Johnson, Sally Nordstrom Sarff, MaryAnn Swanberg Bue, Kay Carlson Gritton, Floie Vane, Joyce Ford Anderson, Hope Pluto Annexstad, Carol Miller Hammarberg, Mark Thorsell. **Fourth row:** Marlo Putz, Anita Lien Anderson, Sonia Anderson, Sandie Anderson, Betty Croonquist, Evie Bonander, David Olson, Duane Aldrich, Warren Woods, David Johnson, Dan Johns. **Back row:** David Matson, John Nelson, Paul Magnuson, DL Smith, Paul Engebretson, Steven Johnson, Larry Cartford, Ben Johnson, Dennis Anderson, A. John Pearson, Robert Olson, Paul Youngdahl.

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Harold "Hap" LeVander, Woodbury, was reelected vice president of the Electric Cooperative Bar Association at its annual meeting in New Orleans

last spring **Janyce Helgeson Olson**, Richmond, VA, has received a Distinguished Service Award from the Shepherd's Center of Richmond in recognition of her role in the development and successful operation of the center during the past 25 years. She served as executive director from 1993 to 2004 and was instrumental

in expanding offerings of the center's Open University and in increasing funding and bequests for the organization; in her retirement, she has become a senior services volunteer for the center, helping elderly citizens in a variety of ways **Sharon Peterson Silcocks**, Whitehall, MT, is a retired real estate agent.

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Crystal Lake, IL, is retired president of IMF of North America ■ **Tom W. Bohn**, Ithaca, NY, recently retired from Ithaca College ■ **John K. V. Tammi**, Holland, MI, is a professor at Hope College.

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Emmy Hanson Abello, Santa Ynez, CA, is retired from teaching and paints silk scarves and watercolors, sings with the community chorale, and enjoys hiking ■ **Larae Hopko Anderson**, Minneapolis, works for Hennepin County ■ **Paul A. Anderson**, New Brighton, is retired from Honeywell, Inc ■ **Sharon Lossing Anderson**, Minneapolis, is a tax preparer at H&R Block ■ **Sue Bolmgren Anderson**, Winona, volunteers at the local hospital ■ **Linda Lindborg Baehr**, La Crosse, WI, is retired and serves as president of her local Embroidery Guild of America chapter ■ **Barbara Koehn Baumann**, New Hope, is a retired teacher ■ **Barry C. Bloom**, Menomonie, WI, is a retired educator ■ **Pat Thompson Bloomquist**, Crystal Lake, IL, is a retired principal ■ **Nicky Kerpen Bredeson**, Minneapolis, is a psychotherapist and organizational consultant for Nicky Bredeson and Associates ■ **Larry Churchill**, Faribault, is a retired business owner and part time Rice County Deputy Sheriff ■ **Gary A. Dahlgren**, Golden Valley, is a retired consultant ■ **Kirsten LeVander Dawson**, Arden Hills, is a chemical dependency counselor at Cretin Derham Hall High School ■ **Richard Dornfeld**, Rosemount, is a retired teacher ■ **Joanell Sletta Dyrsstad**, Red Wing, is a board member for the Fairview Hospitals and Healthcare System ■ **Judith Bosman Ebert**, Brooklyn Center, is retired ■ **Ruby Monson Englund**, Seattle, WA, is emeritus professor at Seattle Pacific University ■ **Sharron Anderson Erickson**, St. Cloud, is retired from the VA Medical Center ■ **Carl Franzen**, Minneapolis, is a writer ■ **David J. Garms**, Fairfax, VA, is a self-employed consultant ■ **Alan Gessner**, Arizona City, AZ, is retired from Minnegasco ■ **Carol Berg Gustafson**, Hudson, WI, is a retired kindergarten teacher and keeps busy with her grandchildren ■ **Karen M. Hanson**, Bokeelia, FL, is retired from Normandale Community College ■ **Vicki Krenik Hedlin**, West Des Moines, IA, is a board member for the Des Moines Symphony

Association and the Children and Families of Iowa Foundation ■ **Tom Hirsch**, Edina, is vice president/real estate finance at Jebco Group Inc. ■ **Darrel F. Hopman**, Morristown, is retired ■ **Paul C. Iverson**, Spicer, is a retired orthopedic surgeon ■ **John C. Johnson**, Burnsville, is president at Changemaking Systems ■ **Bruce J. Jones**, Washington, VA, is retired from sales ■ **Gloria Krenz Kenow**, Owatonna, is director of music at Good Shepherd ■ **Stanley Kittelson**, Litchfield, is an inspector with the FAA ■ **Sylvia Wilson Kittelson**, Litchfield, is a retired teacher ■ **Judy Fletcher Kloster**, Willmar, teaches English language learners in Willmar Public Schools ■ **Dennis H. Lade**, Clermont, FL, is retired from Dow Agro Sciences ■ **Ed G. Lamp**, Woodville, OH, is a retired college instructor ■ **Neta Frykman Lamp**, Woodville, OH, is a consultant with the Joint Commission Resources ■ **Raymond Larson**, Brush, CO, is an interim pastor at Zion Lutheran Church ■ **Marilyn Marshall Lee**, Little Rock, AR, is a retired teacher ■ **Leon C. Lentz**, Willmar, is owner and operator at Statewide Distributing and the Paper Place ■ **Marcia Johnson Lindseth**, Prescott, WI, is vice president of the NW Wisconsin Synod Women of the ELCA ■ **Dee Dee Heino Lorentzen**, White Bear Lake, is an active member of the Bridge Center of St. Paul and loves to travel ■ **Mary Zimmerman Magnuson**, Maple Plain, is a retired social worker ■ **Cleyo Keller Mathews**, Alberton, MT, is a retired med tech ■ **Kathleen Felsted Matson**, Brooklyn, NY, is a retired teacher ■ **Joan Johnson McBain**, Orcutt, CA, teaches classes in dyeing fabrics ■ **Joan Carlstrom Morehouse**, Waconia, is a retired nurse ■ **Dennis N. Nielsen**, Altoona, WI, is retired captain and owner of Reel Addiction Charters ■ **Tom O'Connor**, Marietta, OH, is pastor at Presbyterian Church of Beverly ■ **Susan Kerner Oberg**, Stillwater, is retired from teaching ■ **Donna Sederburg Ogle**, Chicago, IL, is a professor at National Louis University ■ **Paula Yocum Olson**, Amery, WI, is activities director at Riverbend Assisted Living ■ **Sharon Stueland Olson**, Waukon, IA, is a retired teacher ■ **Eldora Carlson Pearson**, Elgin, IL, is a retired music teacher ■ **Doug Person**, Bloomington, is a retired senior research analyst ■ **Caryl Albrecht Peterson**, Willmar, is a funeral service technician at Peterson Brothers Funeral Home and is a distinguished president of the Sunrise Kiwanis ■

Shumate leads innovative Irish theatre school

Anne Shumate '60, Glenmalur, Ireland, moved to Ireland in 1972 to pursue a theatrical stage career and is the founder, director, and former teacher of *Innovations Theatre School*. *Innovations Theatre School* is one of southeast Ireland's premier performing arts schools, with many different classes and workshops running year round. The goal of *Innovations* is to teach students the three areas of performing arts—drama, dance, and song. Students from the ages of 7 to 18 attend weekly classes in Avoca, Co. Wicklow, and Gorey, Co. Wexford, and every Christmas and spring, professional productions are staged showcasing their amazing talents. Many students are afforded the chance to gain valuable behind-the-scenes experience, working backstage with make-up, costumes, props, sets, and more, making *Innovations* a 'theatre' school in every sense of the word. Shumate is also the founder, director, and former teacher of the *Performing Arts School Galway*, as well as the *Performing Arts Stage Schools* in Avoca and Gorey.

Shumate has had a successful stage career as an actress/singer and became known as the *Queen of Musical Comedy*. She has won nine international awards for her performances in various musicals, including the Irish premieres of *Zorba and Into the Woods*. In addition to musical comedy, Anne is also an accomplished dramatic actress, specializing in the works of American playwrights such as *Tennessee Williams*. She has appeared in television and films as well as in theatre and on the cabaret circuit. She has also performed frequently on the Continent, particularly in Germany and Switzerland, and in the U.S. In addition to her on-stage career, Anne is an experienced director of plays and musicals and has received two international awards for best director. Learn more at www.innovations.ie.

Athletics Hall of Fame

October 17, 2009

Gustavus will induct new members into its Athletics Hall of Fame at a banquet at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17, in Alumni Hall, following the football game vs. Carleton College. Selection of inductees is based upon athletic achievement while a student or coach at Gustavus and honors graduates with outstanding athletic accomplishment and significant contribution to the field of athletics. New this year will be the celebration of a "Hall of Fame Moment"—this year the 1974 Homecoming football game with Otto Naujokas '75 catching a 94-yard touchdown pass from Mark Pfundstein '76 with 59 seconds left to beat St. Olaf 21–20. Team members are invited to return to reminisce about this memorable sports moment.

Inductees

Scott Anderson '92, football
Dan Dohmeier '86, baseball
Kerri Pool Foss '94, soccer
Bob Klindworth '93, cross country
Jon Lindquist '92, golf
Amy McCrea Morrell '91, tennis
Leisha Johnson Olson '90, basketball
C.J. Page '91, gymnastics
Steve Wilkinson, tennis coach

1974 Homecoming Football Game — Hall of Fame Moment

Banquet tickets are \$12 per person. Reservations are requested by Oct. 10. 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.



Class of 1964 – 45th Anniversary Class: “Friday night revelers”



Class of 1964 – 45th Anniversary Class

Front row: Jane Chelgren McFadden, Emmy Hanson Abello, Lynne Kirchoff Torkelson, Valerie Donner Sechler, Helen Brostrom Ihrig, Joanell Sletta Dystad, Barbara Koehn Baumann, Marcia Johnson Lindseth. **Second row:** Marilyn Marshall Lee, Joyce Wallinder Johnson, Sonja Madsen Kung, Vicki Krenik Hedlin, Carolyn Johnson Holje, Beatrice Fritz Graves, Kirsten Dawson LeVander, Deanna Nelson, Elly Johnson Anderson, Shirley Smith Franklin. **Third row:** John Johnson, Lynne McKenzie Thompson, Donna Olsenius Hammer, Nicky Kerpen Bredeson, Shirley Schmidt Vold, Linda Hammarberg Willette, Carol Gilbertson Lind, Carl Franzen. **Back row:** Gary Kenning, Harley Anderson, Jim Welte, Paul Anderson, Larrie Rennerfeldt, David Spong, Donald Rahn, Mike Torkelson, Jim Peterson, Ken Slinde.



Class of 1964 – 45th Anniversary Class

Front row: Elizabeth Johnson Ekholm, Sharon Stueland Olson, Sharon Hansen Johnson, Margaret Forsman Nelson, Sonja Madsen Kung, Joan Carlson Morehouse, Joanna Carlson Swanson. **Second row:** Carolyn Johnson Holje, Lynn Ostebo Peterson, Judy Friesen Winters, Karna Peterson, Linda Leonardson Hallman, Karyl Krantz Blair, Nancy Johnson Vrieze. **Third row:** Miriam Borg Teeter, Nancy Johnsen Martin, Carole Erickson Larsen, Delores Heino Lorentzen, Karen Larvick, Karen Benson Hanson, Rose Ann Skoog Parks. **Fourth row:** Sylvia Wilson Kittelson, Paula Yocum Olson, Stanley Kittelson, Sue Bolmgren Anderson, Sharon Peterson Robinson, Charlotte Olson Jerney, Judy Kaeding Larson. **Back row:** Tom Hirsch, Doug Person, Dan Johnson, Denny Dietz, Kathy Moe Dietz.



Lynn Ostebo Peterson, Colorado Springs, CO, is a history instructor at Colorado State University at Pueblo ■ **Joanie M. Poquette**, Santa Rosa, CA, volunteers at the Children's Museum of the North Bay and 6th Street Playhouse ■ **Don F. Rahn**, Topsham, ME, is a retired sales representative ■ **Sharon Nelson Rahn**, Topsham, ME, is a master gardener volunteer and former congregational coordinator for the Maine chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans ■ **Penny Johnson Rodman**, Ramsey, is enjoying retirement, especially spending time with her 8 grandchildren ■ **Jon C. Romer**, Cass Lake, is a retired professor of music ■ **Ken Schonrock**, Minneapolis, is retired ■ **Marlys Sanders Siverson**, Maplewood, is retired ■ **Ken E. Slinde**, Bloomington, is retired from the U.S. Postal Service ■ **David B. Spang**, Chanhassen, is a retired pastor ■ **Marilynn Lawson Tammi**, Holland, MI, is a retired teacher ■ **Miriam Borg Teeter**, Palo Alto, CA, is active in church and enjoys traveling ■ **Nancy Johnson Vrieze**, Rice Lake, WI, is a retired teacher ■ **Marlys Olson Waldron**, Camarillo, CA, is an executive at Altair Instruments, Inc. ■ **James E. Welte**, Rockford, IL, is a funeral director and co-owner of Julian-Poorman-Welte Funeral Home ■ **Charles E. Westerberg**, Shoreview, is a member at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church ■ **Noel Ostrom Whited**, West Palm Beach, FL, is retired from the U.S. Postal Service ■ **Dennis Youngerberg**, Springfield, is a farmer ■ **Jean Kersten Youngerberg**, Springfield, enjoys spending time with her 10 grandchildren.

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Luedtkes visit in Norway

Last June **Luther and Carol Lindstrom Luedtke '65 '67** visited **Stein Mydske '65** at his home in Fredrikstad, Norway. The Luedtkes were travelling to Oslo to have talks with former Norwegian Prime Minister Kjell Magne Bondevik, who also is a good friend of Mydske from the Free Theological Seminary in Oslo, where both took their master's degrees in theology.

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Carol Chaffee Adele-Jewett, Minneapolis, paints icons and sells reproductions at her store ■ **Donna Sjoding Amidon**, Minneapolis, is a manager of school-based clinics at Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support ■ **Stan Amidon**, Minneapolis, is vice president of Amidon Graphics ■ **Bruce Bates**, North Oaks, is a dentist ■ **Tanya Wasenda Bergman**, Palatine, IL, is a testing manager at William Rainer Harper College ■ **Sandra Decker Bernard**, Pinehurst, NC, is retired ■ **Bryon F. Berndt**, Echo, is employed at Hoffco Inc. ■ **Carol Johnson Blackwell**, Billings, MT, is a registered nurse at Billings Clinic ■ **Toni Dangelo Boie**, Eden Prairie, is a proud grandmother of 6 ■ **Barbra Gilbertson Boyken**, St. Croix Falls, WI, is retired from 20 years of teaching ■ **Sue Brekke Benson**, Aitkin, spent last school year as a librarian and media specialist at Beanstalk International Bilingual School in Beijing ■ **Merideth Anderson Brown**, Montevideo, is a Title 1 teacher for kindergarten, first and second grade in the Montevideo ISD #129 ■ **Mike Bussey**, Wheaton, IL, is director general Jerusalem International YMCA for the YMCA of the USA ■ **Ellen Brown Cauffman**, Le Sueur, is a retired speech and language clinician ■ **Thomas Cherry**, Bloomington, is a retired bank man-

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Tennis GALA

October 10, 2009

The 18th annual Gustavus Tennis GALA is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009, at the Swanson Tennis Center. Gustie friends from across the country will attend, so join us for an exciting morning of playing or watching tennis at the indoor Swanson Tennis Center courts and Brown outdoor courts. In case of rain or inclement weather, the competition will end at 2:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served all morning. Doubles participants contribute \$150 per person and spectators contribute \$25. All money raised supports the maintenance of the outdoor courts. Contact Steve Wilkinson at 507-931-1614 or swilkins@gustavus.edu.

9 a.m. Registration for alumni players and spectators
9:50 a.m. Round-robin play begins
12:10 p.m. Awards ceremony and lunch

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65 in the Gulf

Four classmates from the **Class of 1966** celebrated their 65th birthdays in Ft. Myers, FL, after a fishing trip in the Gulf of Mexico. Pictured on staircases from top to bottom sporting their "GAC Class of '66 Spring Break '09" shirts are **Dave Dovenberg**, **Dave Franzen**, **Tom Tomfohr**, and **Tom Christenson**.

ager ■ **Linda Kleinert Cole**, Colleyville, TX, is a co-owner and builder developer at Larry Cole Companies ■ **Todd Cram**, Bloomington, is retired from Medica ■ **Sandra Nelson Danger**, Braham, is a substitute teacher at Mora High School and Rush City Schools ■ **Terry M. Danger**, Hollywood, FL, is a pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church ■ **Jean Sieveke Dovenberg**, Plymouth, is a retired pre-school teacher ■ **Jane Melby Driscoll**, Hastings, is retired but still substitute teaches at Cottage Grove Junior High School ■ **Kathy Mayerle Edwards**, Babbitt, is a retired teacher ■ **John J. Eisinger**, Carmel Valley, CA, is an orthodontist ■ **Ann Martens Fischer**, Rochester, is a retired teacher ■ **John C. Gantzer**, Los Lunas, NM, is special accounts manager at New Mexico Mutual Group ■ **Gregg Gunderson**, Mankato, is a senior managing partner at Pinnacle Executive Solutions, LLC ■ **Cynthia Blomquist Gustavson**, Tulsa, OK, is a self employed psychotherapist ■ **Karin Johnson Heffernan**, Miami Shores, FL, is an art teacher at St. Rose of Lima Elementary School ■ **Hobie Hobart**, Hayward, WI, is co-owner of Dunn and Associates ■ **Steve Hogberg**, St. Peter, is retired from gift planning at Gustavus Adolphus College ■ **Lynn Schaefer Holmes**, Nisswa, is a pharmacy team leader at Target Corporation ■ **Jan Horak**,

Tofte, is owner of Cobblestone Cabins ■ **Karen Alrick Jafvert**, New Brighton, is a salesperson at Nordstrom ■ **Bruce N. Johnson**, Lindstrom, is an attorney at Johnson, Grudhoefer, and Alliegro, LLC ■ **Gary M. Johnson**, St. Paul, is a partner at Dorsey and Whitney, LLP and president of Dorsey and Whitney Trust Company ■ **Judith Jagusch Johnson**, Stillwater, is retired from teaching at the University of Minnesota ■ **Lynn Fairweather Johnson**, Edina, is a self-employed technical editor ■ **Todd W. Johnson**, Minneapolis, is retired from 3M ■ **Cheryl Meyer Klein**, Sagle, ID, is athletics director at Sand Point High School ■ **Darius I. Larsen**, Big Sky, MT, is pastor at All Saints ■ **Elaine Tegtmeier Larson**, Ames, IA, is co-owner and manager of Travel Genie Maps ■ **David Leitzman**, St. Joseph, is director of teacher education at the College of St. Benedict ■ **Jane Norman Leitzman**, St. Joseph, is an English and language arts teacher in the Paynesville ISD ■ **Anita Youngquist Lindquist**, Fort Dodge, IA, is an adjunct instructor at Iowa Central Community College ■ **Cindy Altemose Losch**, Hallock, is an RN and unit coordinator at Kittson Memorial Health Care Center ■ **Paul R. Madsen**, Willow Grove, PA, is a supervisor at Atlantic Diagnostic Laboratories ■ **Pat E. McKusky**, St. Paul, is a retired teacher ■ **Donald**

Morris, Vero Beach, FL, is a retired physician ■ **Laura Olson Newton**, Cambridge, is an RN at Fairview Lakes Home Caring and Hospice ■ **Stephen Newton**, Cambridge, is senior pastor at Lakeside Christian Church ■ **Steven J. Nielsen**, Excelsior, is president of Bassett Creek Dental, PA ■ **John Ondov**, Chanhassen, is executive director of Lifelab Institute ■ **Rebecca Lund Otterness**, St. Peter, is an RN staff nurse at Immanuel St. Joseph's Mayo Health System ■ **David J. Payne**, Minnetonka, owns Al's Liquors ■ **Marilyn Strachan Peterson**, Sacramento, CA, is program chief, department of pediatrics at University of California, Davis Medical Center ■ **Katherine Thorsen Poppen**, Eagan, is retired from Blue Cross ■ **Brenda Larson Reinholtz**, St. Peter, is a retired professor ■ **Peter K. Rodman**, Sioux Falls, SD, is an orthopedic surgeon at the Orthopedic Institute ■ **Robert D. Saeger**, Scottsdale, AZ, is a dentist ■ **Howard N. Sandin**, Ironwood, MI, is an OB/GYN physician at Duluth Clinic-Ashland ■ **Dale V. Searles**, Hopkins, is a retired associate principal ■ **Jean Nord Searles**, Hopkins, is a retired administrator ■ **Jack Setterlund**, Duluth, is a retired lawyer ■ **Blake Shelton**, Plymouth, is retired vice president of Wells Fargo ■ **Valerie Silrum-Boyer**, Bozeman, MT, is retired and winters in Mexico ■ **Linda Hoppe Snell**, St. Louis Park, is a retired teacher ■ **Paul Strand**, Merrill, WI, is an adjunct teacher of education at Marian University ■ **Becky Biesterfeld Strand**, Merrill, WI, is a substitute teacher in the Merrill School District ■ **Douglas Swanson**, Fayetteville, PA, is owner of Douglas R. Swanson, CPA ■ **Bob Swanson**, Hermantown, retired from teaching fourth grade ■ **Jerry Thompson**, Bemidji, is a recently retired physician and surgeon ■ **M. Al Wahlstrand**, Phoenix, AZ, is a manager at Honeywell, Inc ■ **Greta Volk Weisser**, Minneapolis, is a senior business analyst at EMPI ■ **Jim Wheeler**, Antioch, CA, is a retired senior vice president of World Savings Bank ■ **Susan Weber Wickstrom**, Ishpeming, MI, is a retired nurse ■ **Diane Delay Wollschlager**, Fairmont, is a high school English teacher in the Fairmont School District ■ **Nancy DeWeese Wonisch**, A1030 Vienna, Austria, is a finance clerk for the IAEA-United Nations ■ **Jane Lindborg Wood**, La Crosse, WI, is retired ■ **Robert J. Wright**, St. Peter, owns Whiskey River ■ **Ted L.**

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Brekke family in China

Five of six Brekke siblings, children of the late Gustavus Professor Gerald Brekke, spent two weeks together in Beijing April 24–May 7. (Brother Wayne '70 was not able to join them.) Sites visited during their trip included the Great Wall, the Ming Tombs, the Olympic Village, the Summer Palace, Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, Lama Temple and Houhai, the old Hutong district, the Pearl Market, and the Temple of Heaven. Pictured at the Great Wall are **Melissa Brekke Speiss**, **John Brekke**, **Sandee Brekke '72**, **Bill Brekke '74**, and **Susan Brekke-Benson '69**. Bill Brekke is finishing his fifth year as head of the U.S. Department of Commerce in China, and Sue Brekke-Benson is on a 10-month assignment at an international bilingual school.

mortgage specialist at Bank of America Countrywide ■ **Nancy Egeberg Kukovich**, Harrison City, PA, is president of the United Way of Westmoreland County ■ **Janet A. Larson**, Medicine Lake, is a phy-ed and health teacher at Columbia Heights ISD #13 ■ **Joanie Hasbargen Lee**, Faribault, is in media services at Faribault ISD #656 ■ **Dave Linder**, Duluth, is president of Business Music Ltd. ■ **Jodi Shaffer MacLennan**, Prescott, WI, is CEO and executive director of Partnerships for Minnesota Futures, Inc. ■ **Chris M. Mathieu**, Fair Play, SC, owns the Anderson/Lake Hartwell KOA ■ **Peg Schuster Mundahl**, Faribault, is a licensed office assistant for Insurance Brokers of Minnesota, Dave Osborne Agency ■ **Marlene Pohlman Norby**, Osage, IA, is a medical technologist at Mitchell County Regional Health Center ■ **Deb Johnson O'Malley**, New Prague, is an English teacher in Belle Plaine ISD #716 ■ **Pat O'Malley**, New Prague, is a German teacher in New Prague ISD #721 ■ **Randine Miller Petersen**, Minneapolis, is an RN in the emergency department at Hennepin County Medical Center ■ **Gayle M. Petty**, St. Paul, is a payroll process technician at the U.S. Postal Service ■ **Rob Rischmiller**, Brooklyn Park, is a school psychologist at Anoka Hennepin School District ■ **Bruce A. Rosenow**, Hutchinson, is football

and wrestling coach in the Hutchinson ISD #423 ■ **Rick Schowalter**, El Cajon, CA, is pastor at Carlton Hills Lutheran Church ■ **Chuck E. Schweiger**, Naperville, IL, is senior business manager at Bearingpoint, Inc ■ **Cherie Wheat Schweiger**, Naperville, IL, is an instructional technology aide at Indian Prairie ISD #204 ■ **David R. Sebberson**, St. Cloud, is chair of the art department and professor of English at St. Cloud State University ■ **Willie J. Skillern**, Houston, TX, is vice president of Wilson Financial Group ■ **Alison K. Skoberg**, Bloomington, is associate director of the Graduate Fellowship Office at the University of Minnesota ■ **Susan Prussing Stirn**, Rochester, is nurse administrator at Rochester Methodist Hospital ■ **Linda Hoglund Strand**, Brooklyn Park, is an RN case worker in OB home care at Abbott Northwestern Hospital ■ **Ellie Vandenberg**, Volga, SD, is owner and senior partner at Vandenberg Law and is an organist, pianist, Sunday school teacher, and ad hoc legal counsel at her church ■ **Annette Bruss Ward**, Mapleton, teaches first grade in the Blue Earth Area District #2860 ■ **Alan C. Wilson**, Webster, NY, is a research director at Bausch and Lomb ■ **Margie Wood**, Minneapolis, is a microbiology specialist at 3M.

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Gustie nurses provide public health leadership

Patricia Gebert Adams '70 (right) and **Bonnie Madsen Brueshoff '79** (left) were featured in the winter 2009 issue of *Advances*, the quarterly magazine of the University of Minnesota School of Public Health, in an article focused on three decades of leadership at Dakota County Public Health.

Donna Anderson, pictured center above with Adams and Brueshoff, was the first public health director in Dakota County from 1979 to 2001. Patricia Adams served as the director from 2001 to 2008 and is now the assistant commissioner of health at the Minnesota Department of Health. Brueshoff, who started at the county in 1990 as a public health supervisor (hired by Adams), is completing her first year as the current public health director. Dakota County is recognized as one of the top public health departments in the state.



Snorkeling the Maldives

Last March **Paul Hoff '72**, Tokyo, Japan, visited **Norm Quinn '71** in Male, the capital of the Maldives, where Quinn is using a Fulbright grant to help the Maldivian government monitor the islands' coral. Hoff (center) and his wife, Naomi, visited Quinn and spent a few days snorkeling on various coral reefs around the Sheraton resort.

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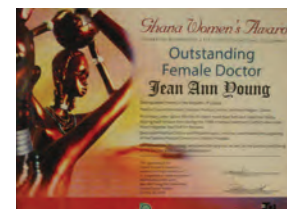
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Young receives outstanding female doctor award

When **Jean Bjorling Young '70** graduated from Gustavus, little did she know that 39 years later she would be receiving a national award for her medical work in deprived rural areas of Ghana. On May 30, 2009, Young received the Outstanding Female Doctor Award in the first Ghana Women's Awards ceremony held in Accra, the capital of Ghana. Sponsored by the Ministry of Women and Children, this ceremony sought to highlight the achievements of outstanding women in numerous categories. In a country where many girl children are still deprived of an education or are forced to leave school prematurely, **MOWAC** is seeking to use this ceremony to encourage girls to enlarge their vision and to follow their dreams. The inscription on her plaque reads as follows:

Distinguished Friend of the Republic of Ghana
Medical Superintendent, Saboba Medical Centre, Northern Region, Ghana
Missionary who values the life of others more than hers and risked her life by staying back to save lives during the 1994 infamous Northern Ethnic Conflict when even most indigenes had fled the area.
Dedicated Medical Officer and Philanthropist who has spearheaded the upgrading of Saboba Medical Centre to a District Hospital,
Compassionate Missionary who seeks the physical as well as the spiritual wellbeing of the people, a life worthy of emulation
The organizers of the Ghana Women's Awards as an expression of high esteem and in recognition of noted exceptional attainments confer upon Jean Ann Young this Outstanding Female Doctor Award on May 30, 2009



Mary's University ■ **Steve Heitzeg**, St. Paul, composed *While We Breathe, We Hope (Fanfare for Obama)* ■ **Nancy J. Hilleren**, Lawton, MI, is in pediatrics at Bright Futures Pediatrics ■ **Kathy Opheim Johnson**, Chisago City, is a Realtor for Coldwell Banker Burnet ■ **Dennis G. Lambert**, St. Louis Park, is an associate principal in Eden Prairie ISD #272 ■ **Paul K. Nielsen**, Burnsville, is employed at Barr Engineering ■ **Rodney D. Provart**, Hopkins, is senior director of meeting and events at Carlson Marketing Worldwide ■ **Sonja Jensen Wastvedt**, New Wilmington, PA, is a literacy coach at Wilmington Schools.

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Grads in class of 2009 join ranks of alumni

Ron White '75, president of the alumni association (right), congratulated the Class of 2009 and welcomed them as members of the alumni association at the Senior Fiesta. White and the Class of 2009 class agents also provided the traditional class toast. Class agents from left are **Holly Andersen**, **Shawn Grygo**, **Maria Siegle**, **Nicole Parris**, and **Chris Edelbrock**.



Performing at Lake Harriet

Lee Dummer '75 was the featured euphonium soloist for two selections when the Bloomington Medalist Concert Band performed at the Lake Harriet Band Shell in Minneapolis on June 24 under the baton of guest conductor **Douglas Nimmo**, music professor at Gustavus and conductor of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra.

Lee, a St. Peter native, is a former euphonium soloist with the United States Army Band (Pershing's Own) in Washington, D.C. He is pictured here with Nimmo (front) and fellow Medalist Concert Band members **Jennifer Olson Grados '90** (left) and his wife, **MariJane Loken Dummer '76**. The Dummers and Grados all performed with the Gustavus concert bands as students.

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Alumna pens new memoir

Sue Busch Leaf '75, a freelance writer whose essays have appeared in *Minnesota Monthly*, the *Minnesota Conservation Volunteer*, and the *Utne Reader*, has completed a new book to be published in September. *The Bullhead Queen: A Year on Pioneer Lake* is a collection of meditations on the places Leaf sees every day on the lake near her home in Center City, MN. Following the liturgical calendar, Leaf chronicles the change of seasons over the year, contemplating how her relationship to nature has been colored by the Christian theology of her childhood.

A former college instructor in biology and environmental science who holds a doctorate in zoology from the University of Minnesota, Leaf is the author of an earlier book, *Potato City: History, Nature, and Community in the Age of Sprawl*.





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Erickson named president at Hocking College

Ronald Erickson '78 has been named president of Hocking College by the college's board of trustees. Hocking College, located in Nelsonville, OH, approximately 60 miles southeast of Columbus, was established in 1967 and has more than 5,500 students and 847 full- and part-time faculty and staff. Erickson's appointment was effective July 1.

Erickson had served since 2004 as vice president of academic affairs and institutional planning at Dakota County Technical College in Rosemount, MN. Prior to that, he was dean of design, health, and human services at DCTC from 2003 to 2004; served as dean for academic affairs at Adirondack Community College in Queensbury, NY; and was dean of instruction at Rainy River Community College in International Falls. Erickson received his Ph.D. in education policy and administration from the University of Minnesota and a master of arts degree in exceptional child education from the University of South Florida.



Hakensen receives public relations professional achievement award

The Minnesota Public Relations Society of America has honored **David Hakensen '81**, Minnetonka, with the Donald G. Padilla Distinguished Practitioner Award. The award recognizes an individual who is judged to have made selfless contributions to the community and to the mission of PRSA, and who has demonstrated exceptional professional achievement. Along with the award, Minnesota PRSA will contribute \$500 to a charity of Hakensen's choice. Padilla Speer Beardsley will donate another \$500 to the same organization.

During Hakensen's 25-year career, he has become a sought-after counselor who provides strategic counsel to senior management and who understands the importance of leveraging communications and public relations to support business objectives. He has a broad range of agency and corporate experience, with particular expertise in strategic media relations, crisis communications, issues management, and merger and acquisition communications. Most recently he was vice president, public relations, at Pearson Education in Bloomington.

A PRSA member since 1981, Hakensen has been a loyal and active advocate, volunteer, and leader in the organization and the profession it supports. He has a keen interest in giving back to his profession and has held PRSA leadership positions that include Minnesota Chapter Board of Directors (1996–2001); president of the Minnesota Chapter (2000); national chair for the Senior Advisory Task Force (2001); member of the National Nominating Committee (2000); and chair of the Midwest District (2006–2008).



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Hiking with Scouts in New Mexico

Last summer brought a couple of Gusties together at Philmont Scout Ranch, the national Boy Scout hiking and backpacking high adventure base in northeastern New Mexico. **Glenn Perkins '80** and **Mike Petersen '81** attended, each with one of their sons as well as members of their respective troops from Edina and St. Anthony. They are pictured with the Gustavus flag atop the Tooth of Time in the Sangre de Cristo Range of the Rocky Mountains.

Over 30,000 Scouters attend the base each summer. The eleven-man crew hiked over 75 miles during their 13-day adventure. Perkins and Petersen were also classmates and 1985 graduates from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. Perkins is a partner at Eagan Valley Dental and Petersen owns Prim Rose Family Dental in Roseville.

Larson elected to orthodontic leadership

Brent E. Larson '78, Roseville, has been elected to represent the Midwestern Society of Orthodontists on the Board of Trustees of the American Association of Orthodontists. Larson is the orthodontic division director and associate professor of orthodontics at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry and has an orthodontic practice in Rochester. The AAO is the world's oldest and largest dental specialty organization. The MSO is one of eight constituent groups of the AAO, serving orthodontists practicing in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and the Canadian province of Manitoba.

An orthodontist in Rochester, MN, since 1990, Larson was formerly the orthodontic program director at the Mayo Clinic and assistant professor in the department of dental specialties at the Mayo Medical School. His dental degree is from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, where he graduated first in his dental school class. He completed the orthodontic residency and education program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and also received a master of science degree from UNC. Larson also completed a general practice residency in dentistry at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas. As an Air Force officer, he served as a general dentist at Plattsburgh Air Force Base in New York and later as chief of orthodontics and quality assurance coordinator at Torrejon Air Base in Spain.

Author of numerous articles in AJO-DO, the Journal of Dental Education, and other publications, Larson has written on clinical and educational topics and on research conducted on orthodontic tooth movement in the rat. He has lectured throughout the United States on orthodontic imaging and other clinical topics as well as orthodontic educational issues. Awards and honors presented to Dr. Larson include the Mayo Clinic Teachers Hall of Fame and Teacher of the Year, Department of Dental Specialties at the Mayo Clinic. He received the Earl A. Sheppard Award of Distinction from the American Board of Orthodontics for the highest achievement on the written board exam.

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Scandinavians in Baghdad

Peter Ford '84 completed his tour of duty in Baghdad, Iraq, where he was director, Office of Hostage Affairs, at the U.S. Embassy for the past 18 months, six months as an Army Reservist and one year with the State Department. After training this summer, Ford will study for a master's degree in strategic intelligence at the National Defense Intelligence College in Washington, D.C. Ford is pictured far right in the photo along with American, Danish, and Swedish embassies celebrating as members of the Baghdad Scandinavian Club, which Ford founded. It was originally a Swedish club, but since there is a Danish Embassy located in the International Zone, the Club was opened up to all Scandinavian countries

Gusties collaborate to bring musical to Fringe stage

Among the more than 150 plays, dances, concerts, and entertainments staged at the 2009 Minnesota Fringe Festival in early August was a new musical by two Gusties. **Kevin Bowen '83** and **James Lundy '81** first met at the College in 1979 and are now partners in the St. Paul-based Doolin & Dingle Productions.

Bowen and Lundy spent the past four years completing *The Red Tureen*, a musical set in Ireland during the potato famine of the 1840s—and spent the last six months editing their original story to fit the 55-minute Fringe Festival format. The play tells the story of Father Padraig Bones, who returns after 13 years to Kilkeran Valley, where he faces rebellious farmers, double-crossing land agents, conniving British soldiers, and a fickle food supply.

Gustavus and southern Minnesota connections run throughout the production: Professor emeritus and longtime Gustavus theatre director **Rob Gardner** provided periodic feedback on Lundy's script, and freelance journalist **William Randall Beard '78** critiqued Bowen's original musical score and lyrics. A current Gustavus student, **Christian DeMarais '11**, was a cast member during the festival, and the lead role was played by Andrew D. Umphrey, a Minnesota State Mankato graduate.

The Red Tureen had five performances at the University of Minnesota's Rarig Thrust Stage during the festival.

Council ■ **Bonnie Schmidt Johnson**, Stewartville, is an inpatient psychiatric nurse at St. Mary's Hospital ■ **Eric J.G. Lennartson**, Eagle Lake, earned his Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design professional accreditation from the U.S. Green Building Council and is employed at Paulsen Architects ■ **Terri Mineau**, Minneapolis, is an ELL teacher in Columbia Heights Public Schools ■ **Blake R. Nelson**, Eden Prairie, is a board member at Minnesota Bank and Trust and was selected for 40 Under Forty by the Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal ■ **John H. Oberg**, Woodbury, is a financial consultant, CFF, with Fiduciary Counseling, Inc ■ **Meena Sharify-Funk**, Waterloo, Ontario, is an assistant professor at Wilfrid Laurier University.

Gustavus veterans' group on Facebook

Steve Parry '84, Stillwater, has organized a Gustavus veterans' group on Facebook called Gustavus Adolphus College Veterans. Gusties who have served in the armed forces are encouraged to join the group as a way to organize, communicate, gather, and provide support.

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Jennifer Bowden Brickley, Rochester, is a pediatrics nurse at Mayo Clinic.



Vos elected board chair of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota

Jim Vos '84, Golden Valley, principal with CresaPartners, The Tenant's Advantage, has been elected chair of the board of directors of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota. With his election, he becomes the third of the past four chairs who is a Gustavus graduate. The other two are **Gerald Hoffman '59** and **Paul Batz '85**. Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota is over 140 years old and touches the lives of more than 100,000 Minnesotans each year. LSSM has nearly 2,500 employees and over 10,000 volunteers each year providing services in every county of the state.

Peterson receives teaching award

Steve Peterson '82, Decorah, IA, has been awarded the Eleanor M. Johnson Award by the International Reading Association. The award recognizes an outstanding elementary classroom teacher of reading/language arts. It honors Eleanor M. Johnson, founder and editor-in-chief of Weekly Reader, who died in 1987. It carries a U.S. \$1,000 prize supported by a grant from Weekly Reader Corporation.

Peterson is a third-grade teacher in the Decorah Community School District. Teaching elementary school is a second career he began in his early 40s. This is his seventh year teaching at the elementary level. Previously, he taught United States politics and government, U.S. history, and writing at the college and community college levels and also worked in northern Wisconsin with Native American youth at risk of becoming high school dropouts. He holds a master's degree in American studies from the University of Minnesota and one in literacy education from the University of Iowa. Peterson majored in biology at Gustavus and also holds a bachelor's degree in education and special education from Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa.

In his classroom, the vital links between writing, reading, creativity, and the joy of learning are emphasized and students' work is published on a classroom website. His students created a podcast project called "Our Town: A Child's Eye View of Decorah," in which the children wrote about their favorite place in Decorah. They published their work as an enhanced podcast on the class website and the Decorah Chamber of Commerce linked to it to promote education and the local area.

Correction

Gremlins misprinted the URL of The UpTake's website in the profile of **Jason Barnett '93**, founder and executive director of the Minnesota-based citizen-journalist organization, that ran in the Summer 2009 issue of the Quarterly. The website for Barnett's organization is found at theuptake.org. Our apologies.

In mid-June, KARE 11 television's website featured Barnett and The UpTake in a story about the role of citizen journalists in Iran when professional reporters and news teams were denied access to the demonstrations occurring in the aftermath of the disputed presidential election. In addition, The UpTake's website was one of three Internet sites to win a 2009 Dot.Org Award for Excellence Online from the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits.

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All in the family

When first-year student Sophie Donnelly '13 graduated from Wheaton (MN) High School last spring, her Gustie family was in attendance. Pictured from left are **Brenda Frisk Erikstrup '86**, **Renee Radjenovich Donnelly '88**, **Adam Holmes '97**, **Anna Radjenovich Holmes '97**, **Paul Radjenovich '00** and **Sophie Donnelly '13**. Not pictured is family member **Chris Erikstrup '84**.

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Westra receives outstanding educator award

Kim Kraemer Westra '90, Inver Grove Heights, a fourth-grade gifted and talented teacher and academic challenge coach at Salem Hills Elementary School, was named recipient of a 2009 WEM Outstanding Educator Award for Academic Coach of the Year. The WEM Foundation was established in 1998 by Whitney and Elizabeth MacMillan to honor the unsung heroes of Minnesota schools. The honor is one of six sponsored annually by the WEM Foundation, which provides an unrestricted \$10,000 award to each recipient.

Westra was honored by the WEM Foundation and the Center for Academic Excellence for outstanding accomplishments and contributions to student learning. She is one of two recipients of the WEM Foundation's statewide Academic Coach of the Year Award, which recognizes coaches of student teams who participate and compete in academic challenge or enrichment programs endorsed by the Minnesota Academic League Council.

Westra currently teaches fourth-grade students in a contained classroom in the Atheneum Gifted and Talented Program at Salem Hills Elementary. She has been teaching and coaching for three years. She currently coaches FIRST LEGO® League (FLL), Young Inventor's Program, Continental Math League, and Word Masters and provides assistance to the School Chess Association chess tournaments. She is also on the Minnesota Parent-Teacher Association (MNPTA) board of directors and currently chairs the MNPTA Reflections Art Program.

Educators are first nominated for the WEM Outstanding Educator Awards Program by students, parents, colleagues, or community members. Those who accept the nomination provide additional information for review and consideration by the Center for Academic Excellence and a blue-ribbon selection panel, which reviews and ranks the nominees.



ty gardens coordinator for Urban Harvest ■ **John Buckley**, Sandpoint, ID, teaches English at Moon Kkang Foreign Language School in Daegu, South Korea ■ **Kristin R. Coady**, Pawtucket, RI, recently completed a graduate program at Northeastern University and is a CRNA ■ **Katy Walker Giefer**, Washington, DC, is a Census Bureau statistician and a Ph.D. candidate in public policy at

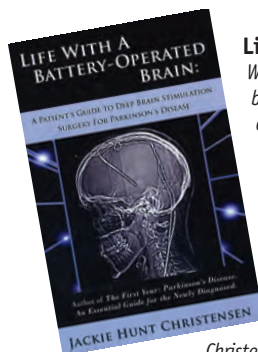
George Washington University ■ **Christian J. Gilbert**, Waconia, scaled the highest mountain in the Western Hemisphere, Mount Aconcagua in Argentina, and shared it with his students at Clearwater Middle School ■ **Jen Hedin Gorney**, Eden Prairie, is taking a hiatus from the corporate world and is now pursuing her passion for photography at Elizabeth Grace Photography ■ **Glenn**

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Former 510 Walnut residents on course

The annual 510 Walnut Street Golf Outing was held at Willinger's Golf Club last spring. Players included former residents and friends of 510 Walnut in St. Peter. Pictured seated are **Travis Cook '99**, **Brad Hendrickson '92**, **Nick Hendrickson '03**, **Jon Bjork '01**, **Dawn Brown**, **Erik Hendrickson '94**, **Christian Pederson '96**, and **Brent Lothrop**. Standing are **Chris Motzko**, **Chad Blofield**, **Tim Sundby '01**, **Rod Swenson '99**, **Keith Halen '92**, **Bill Aase '97**, unidentified friend, **Ryan Swenson '99**, **Steve Schmitz**, **Dave Zack**, **Tom Brown**, **Dave Kisch**, **Jay Schoenebeck '80**, **Bryan Cully '94**, **Jamie Blomquist**, **Tim Gunderson '94**, **Jay George '94**, and **Rob Cully '90**.



Living life with a battery-operated brain

Why would anyone say, "Let's stick wires into someone's brain, run voltage through it, and see what happens"? So asks **Jackie Hunt Christensen '86** in *Life with a Battery-Operated Brain: A Patient's Guide to Deep Brain Stimulation Surgery for Parkinson's Disease*. Christensen answers this question—and more—in her unique and comprehensive book, as she has firsthand knowledge of the procedure commonly referred to as DBS. She herself lived with Parkinson's disease for more than seven years before electing to be evaluated for DBS surgery.

It was not a fast and easy choice. For

Christensen, fear of DBS surgery—which involves placing one or two electrical wires into the brain—and its potential complications had to be weighed against quality of life without the surgery, a life of increasing Parkinsonian symptoms and a growing pharmacopeia of medications, which might help control her symptoms but which could have devastating long-term effects on her body. Ultimately, she was deemed a good candidate for the surgery, and DBS seemed like her only logical option—a choice that has been validated post-surgery as Christensen now enjoys life with most of her motor symptoms well controlled.

Parkinson's disease, the author is quick to point out, does not end, but DBS is meant to be a long-term treatment. Christensen offers a step-by-step look at her own journey, as well as information on a typical evaluation process, medical statistics, questions to ask neurosurgeons, opinions from other DBS patients, the programming process for DBS, and much more. *Life with a Battery-Operated Brain* is a must-read for those who are considering deep brain stimulation—and for those who love them.

Christensen has a new blog, "Living Life with A Battery-Operated Brain," at <http://livingwithbob.typepad.com>.

Krinking is a history professor at Gustavus Adolphus College ■ **Melissa M. Majerus**, Goodhue, is head softball coach at Mayville State University ■ **Andy Peterson**, Virginia, was named partner at Cope and Peterson Law Firm ■ **Chris Pouliot**, Circle Pines, is a GIS Support Specialist for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources ■ **Matthew A. Williams**, Watertown, is director, project management officer at Metropolitan Life Insurance

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Flaten receives excellence in teaching award

David Flaten '87, Ithaca, NY, associate professor of history at Tompkins Cortland Community College in Dryden, NY, has received the Chancellor's/ Trustees' Award for Excellence in Teaching. He was honored for his passionate dedication to teaching, the wide range of techniques he uses to reach students, and for his willingness to make the success of his students the absolute priority of his service to the college. Flaten joined the faculty in 2003 and earned his master's and doctorate degrees from Fordham University.

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at-home mom, travel planner, and figure skating coach ■ **Erin Klaers Hilton**, Stillwater, is co-owner of Goldwood Kennels ■ **Theresa Faltesek Hoffoss**, Minneapolis, is a nurse practitioner at Planned Parenthood ■ **Udom C. Hong**, Golden, CO, is a planning facilitator for the Bureau of Land Management ■ **Nick Hupton**, Minneapolis, is a high school English teacher and tennis coach at Jefferson High School ■ **Katharine Schoenrock Husband**, Hopkins, is senior art buyer at Target ■ **Katrina Baldus Irwin**, Hastings, is a child support specialist for Dakota County ■ **Kristi Nerothin Joesting**, Wyoming, is a stay-at-home mom ■ **Mike Johander**, Shorewood, is president of Echo Bay Capital ■ **Matthew M. L. Johnson**, Delano, is a quality engineer at Adobe Systems, Inc ■ **Karin Fuzzey Junge**, Minneapolis, is ITQ wellness coordinator for HealthSource at General Mills ■ **Kristin Knutson Kajer**, Cottage Grove, is an account executive at the Star Tribune ■ **Ryan D. Kaplan**, Maple Grove, is the Chief Compliance Officer and Corporate Counsel of CWG Life and was recently elected president of the Corporate Counsel Association of Minnesota ■ **Sacha Rodman Kelly**, Stillwater, is a clinical nurse specialist for St. Joseph's Hospital ■ **Sat Mitar K. Khalsa**, Santa Cruz, NM, is employed at Soothing Touch LLC ■ **Kristin Lorentz Klassert**, Kailua Kona, HI, is a sales specialist at Chambers and Chambers Wine Merchants ■ **Cory A. Klecker**, Jefferson, WI, teaches social studies in the School District of Jefferson ■ **Amy Bergman Kopp**, Green Bay, WI, is a homemaker ■ **John D. Kopp**, Green Bay, WI, is an information systems manager at Ameriprise Financial Services ■ **Kristi Mechelke Kramer**, Mesa, AZ, is an RN at Banner Desert Medical Center ■ **Sarah Berg Kreykes**, Edmond, OK, is a stay-at-home mom and yoga instructor ■ **Alexander G. Lindstrom**, Nicollet, is assistant swim coach at Gustavus Adolphus College and head coach of the MANTAS swim club ■ **Benjamin J. Lipari**, Madison, WI, is a project manager at Alliant Energy ■ **Shane M. McClinton**, West Des Moines, IA, is a physical therapist at Des Moines University ■ **Brenda Matheis McHugh**, St. Peter, teaches piano at John Ireland School ■ **Tom McHugh**, St. Peter, is assistant director of admission at Gustavus Adolphus College ■ **Tonya Hartmann Meyers**, Brooklyn Park, does layout, design, and event coordination for The Collaborative ■ **James P. Moechnig**,

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Catching a lecture

Bonnie Karp Amundson '90 and **Ross Widenhoefer '89**, former residents in brother/sister sections in Norelius, have kept in touch over the years and have met several times when passing through each other's cities, including Boston, Chapel Hill, and Austin. Most recently, they met in Austin, Texas, after Ross completed a lecture as a guest speaker at Texas A & M University. His lecture in the department of chemistry was titled "Gold-catalyzed hydrofunctionalization of carbon-carbon multiple bonds." Ross is a tenured professor of chemistry at Duke University.

Boman's experience launches CBS series

Steve Boman '87, Edina, MN, a former journalist and current television producer, has sold a television series concept to CBS about the competitive business of organ transplantation. The Chicago Tribune said Boman based the show pitch on his experiences as a transplant coordinator at the University of Chicago Medical Center. CBS is shooting the series, called *Three Rivers*, to air this fall. The medical drama goes inside the emotionally complex lives of organ donors, the recipients, and the surgeons at the preeminent transplant hospital in the country where every moment counts. The show, set in Pittsburgh, reportedly will follow the physicians who perform organ transplants at a fictional medical center "It is a grueling job because it's at a moment's notice, and you have to be ready to go whenever and wherever," Boman told the Tribune. "It is that high-stakes drama with a very strong ticking clock, and it is always a life-or-death thing that is being pursued," said Boman, who previously worked as a reporter for Minnesota Public Radio, the (Chicago) Daily Southtown and The Philadelphia Inquirer. "With the major organ transplants . . . a heart or a liver, they can die."

Tuthill, Shakopee, is a high school math teacher in Minnetonka ISD #276 ■ **Amy L. Valek**, Apple Valley, is a first-grade teacher in the Faribault ISD #656 ■ **Todd B. Walden**, Bloomington, is an instructor at Minnesota School of Business ■ **Stephanie L. Waldman**, Windsor Mill, MD, is a policy analyst for the Social Security Administration ■ **Sarah S. Zins**, Oakland, CA, is a self employed designer ■ **Robert S. deVeyra**, Bethesda, MD, works for Questions & Solutions Engineering, Inc.

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Martin welcomed by Gusties at installation

Joel Martin '92 was welcomed with a Gustavus sweatshirt at his installation as pastor at Christ Lutheran Church, Marine-on-St. Croix. Pictured left is **John Myhr '50** and right is **Howard Albertson '49**.



A visit from Coach

Stephanie Pearson '92, Sante Fe, NM, was visited last April by her former volleyball coach, **Gretchen Koehler**. Pearson is senior editor for Outside Magazine.

Teacher of the Year finalist

Marcia Swanson Anderson '91, who teaches high school mathematics at Owatonna High School in Owatonna, Minn., was one of 11 teachers from across the state who were named finalists in the 2009 Minnesota Teacher of the Year program. A selection panel of 22 leaders in the areas of business, government, and non-profits selected the finalists from a group of 27 semifinalists. There were 101 Teacher of the Year candidates for this program year.

The selection panel met on May 2 to conduct individual interviews with the 11 finalists and to cast votes for the 2009 Minnesota Teacher of the Year, and the 2008 Minnesota Teacher of the Year, **Derek Olson** of the Stillwater School District, announced this year's honoree at a banquet on Sunday, May 3.

Education Minnesota, the 70,000-member statewide educators' union, organizes and underwrites the Teacher of the Year program. This year marked the program's 45th anniversary.

a behavioral counselor at Mayo Clinic
Kevin Ost-Vollmers, Minneapolis, is director of development for the Upper Midwest region for George Washington University
Linda Cowan Pack, Hayfield, is an RN in the neonatal ICU at St. Mary's Hospital
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Chris G. Krug, Olathe, KS, is a quality assurance manager for Johnson County Sheriff's Office Criminalistics Laboratory
Sarah L. O'Donnell, St. John's Wood, England, is head of investor relations for Cityscape, part of IIR Middle East in Dubai, UAE
Corene Laue Swansson, Rosemount, works in the outpatient radiology/cardiology area at Fairview Southdale
Brian T. Thatcher, Anthem, AZ, has been promoted to the rank of sergeant within the Phoenix Police Department and is an adjunct professor with Glendale Community College and a contributing writer to *American Police Beat* magazine
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Angela Muck Davis, Omaha, NE, completed her doctorate in physical therapy at University of Nebraska Medical Center in May 2009
Jon Dumpys, Oak Park, IL, is pastor of United Lutheran Church
Jenny Grabow, Plymouth, graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry and is a dentist in Minneapolis
Todd A. Johnson, Boulder, CO, is doing postdoc research at NIST after having completed his Ph.D. in physics at the University of Wisconsin-Madison
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Alec Sonstebj, Minneapolis, was named assistant professor in Metropolitan State University's Library and Information Services
Anna C. Garbisch Sorenson, Ferryville, WI,

was ordained into Ministry of Word and Sacrament in February 2009 and serves as pastor at Mt. Sterling Utica Parish
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Severson nominated for a Tony Award

Sten Severson '95 (center) and his two partners from Acme Sound were nominated for a 2009 Tony Award for Best Sound Design for a Musical for their work on Hair. Gustavus Professor of Theatre and Dance **Michele Rusinko** (left) had dinner with Severson and his wife, Rebecca, and **Taylor Rocheford '07** (right), who has completed her second year of Teach for America in New York City.

Super lawyer

Blake Nelson '92 was recently recognized as one of the "40 Under Forty" by the Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal.

A lawyer, real estate investor, and entrepreneur, as well as a law-firm business leader, Blake grew up in the construction industry, working at the family lumber yard, hammering on job sites, estimating projects, and handling office details. After college and law school, Blake—an entrepreneur at heart—began investing in real estate companies and properties. He is now part owner of a bank and also sits on the board of governors at Hellmuth & Johnson. He is committed to helping the law firm run like a business.

With his construction industry experience, he was a natural to chair Hellmuth & Johnson's Construction Law Group. His practice focuses on construction law and litigation, real estate law and litigation, general corporate representation, business succession planning, and creditors' remedies. Blake is a MSBA board-certified real property law specialist and is AV peer review rated from Martindale-Hubbell. He's been recognized as a "Super Lawyer" for the past eight years.

Petersen, Sioux Falls, SD, is an RN at Sanford Health ■ **Diana Wichmann Reindal**, Alden, is an accountant in the City of Albert Lea ■ **Chris Renne**, Holmen, WI, is a medical lab technician at Franciscan Skemp Healthcare ■ **Bryant D. Rogness**, Mahtomedi, is a manager and personal trainer at Snap Fitness ■ **Claire Mielke Rogness**, Mahtomedi, is a dentist at Children's Dental Services ■ **Jason D. Rogowski**, Maple Grove, is a marketing statistician for Deluxe Corp. ■ **Erin C. Ropes**, Somerville, MA, is senior photographer at Shoebuy.com, Stephen Sherman Studios, Keith Jacobs and Co. ■ **Adam H. Rupp**, North Mankato, is touring with Homefree Acapella ■ **Jessica Coleman Siverson**, Mendota Heights, is a seventh-grade math teacher in the Forest Lake School District ■ **Nate Smith**, Eagan, is the founder and owner of Property Claim Solutions ■ **Julie Proehl Sonnek**,

Crystal, is an ESL teacher in the Anoka Hennepin ISD #11 ■ **Adam J. Stubbendick**, Ceresco, NE, is pastor at Immanuel (in Ceresco), Zion (in Ithaca), and Bethlehem (in Davey) Lutheran churches ■ **Lisa K. Swenson**, Burnsville, is a behavioral therapist/mental health practitioner for the Minnesota Autism Center and a skating instructor/coach for the River Blades Skate School ■ **Lindsay L. Vanderlinde**, St. Bonifacius, is an RN in Cardiac Telemetry at Ridgeview Medical Center ■ **Angie Tanner**, Bovey, is an accounting manager at Fireplace Lifestyles ■ **Alison H. Thomas**, Sarasota, FL, teaches fifth grade at Wilkinson Elementary School ■ **James Vinson**, Scappoose, OR, is a registered nurse for Avamen King City Rehab ■ **Denise Volk Carey**, Rosemount, is a project coordinator for Personnel Decisions International ■ **Katy Berquam Vrieze**, Coralville, IA, is a graduate student in molecular and cellular bi-

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'Big Dance' fans at the Dome

Five Gustie friends from the **Class of 1998** attended the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament regional games at the Metrodome in Minneapolis last March. Pictured from left in back are **Chris Pouliot**, **Bruce Dahlman**, **Doug Grovergrys**, **Bob Fossum** (front), and **Ivy Borgstrom**.



Honored Realtor assists Children's Miracle Network

On April 17-19, 2009, **Jason Stockwell '00**, Richfield, a RE/MAX Results Realtor, teamed up with S & S Sugarbush, a maple syrup company based in his original hometown of Ellsworth, WI, for their annual Open House and Pancake Feed, with Jason pledging to donate \$1 to the Children's Miracle Network (CMN) for each pancake breakfast served. The Sugarbush welcomed more than 1,500 people for the three-day event and sold 1,209 pancake breakfasts. As a result, Jason wrote a check for \$1,209 to CMN,

a non-profit that raises funds for more than 170 children's hospitals, including Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare in St. Paul.

Jason has been a licensed real estate agent for the past six years and a CMN contributor for the past five. In addition to this special contribution, he is committed to donating a portion of his commissions to CMN. "Teaming up with the Sugarbush made for a great event," he says, "The turnout was strong, the donation was solid, and my team and I will continue to support CMN and make donations throughout the year." He and S & S Sugarbush will team up again in 2010.

Stockwell had been honored in March at the RE/MAX International convention with two prestigious awards for outstanding real estate sales in 2008: he was recognized with a Platinum Club award, for a level of sales in a single year reached by only 4 percent of the more than 2,000 North Central associates, and was named to RE/MAX International's Hall of Fame, which recognizes top producers who have achieved more than \$1 million in gross commission earnings during their careers with RE/MAX.

ology at the University of Iowa ■ **Tyler J. Vrieze**, Coralville, IA, is a personal banker with Wells Fargo ■ **Carolyn Gamble Wanamaker**, Maplewood, is a chemistry instructor at Normandale Community College ■ **Tim Wanamaker**, Maplewood, is a retail sales manager at T-Mobile ■ **Rachel Seely Ward**, Stillwater, is a legal assistant at Eckberg, Lammers, Briggs, Wolff, and Vierling PLLP ■ **Lindsey M. Weis**, Mankato, is an ad-

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Fireworks in Inwood

Several alumni gathered in Inwood, IA, for the town's 4th of July festival this summer. Front row: **Luke Thomas**. Second row, from left: **Matt Thomas '00**, **Molly Pedersen Thomas '00**, **Melissa Chan**, **Sophia Whitney**, **Paul Whitney '00**, **Megan Gisiger Harris '01**, and **Mitch Harris '00**. Third row: **Tyler Kahl**, **Amy Kahl**, **Aaron Kahl '00**, **Makenna Kahl**, **Travis Dahlke '00**, and **Geoff Knobloch '00**. Also present at the gathering but not pictured were **Elise Kahl Knobloch '01** and **Nate Kahl '06**.

school social studies, is ninth-grade football coach and assistant varsity boys basketball coach at Waconia High School ■ **Kate Klippen**, Minnetonka, is a cake decorator at SuperTarget ■ **Erin E. Larson**, Richfield, is working on a master's degree in professional school counseling at Minnesota State University, Mankato ■ **Katelyn L. Nelson**, Shorewood, is an event and marketing coordinator at Mall of America ■ **Lindsay E. Peterson**, Circle Pines, is a kindergarten teacher in the Anoka School District ■ **Kelsey J. Plucker**, Welch, is a university support associate at Capella University ■ **Kari L. Reed**, Inver Grove Heights, is an RN at Fairview Southdale ■ **Mike Rueckert**, St. Paul, is a youth and family intern at Faith Lutheran Church ■ **Brett C. Sawyer**, Wyoming, is employed at US Bank ■ **Lauren M. Skanse**, Eden Prairie, is on the marketing team at Costco ■ **Kelly A. Taunton**, Spicer, is parish nurse at St. Mary's Catholic Church ■ **Blake M. Theison**, Cold Spring, is studying for a master's degree in kinesiology/human performance at St. Cloud State University ■ **Jenni White**, Cedar Rapids, IA, is in law school at Drake University ■ **Evan V. Wilcox**, Grand Forks, ND, is an agent for Insure Forward ■ **Ian M. Wolff**,

Luce named Bush Leadership Fellow

The Bush Foundation of St. Paul has named **Jess Luce '99** one of 18 Bush Leadership Fellows for 2009. The prestigious fellowship will allow Luce to pursue a master's degree in public administration with a concentration in aging issues at the Maxwell School at Syracuse University.

"Being named a Bush Leadership Fellow is an incredible honor and great responsibility—to fulfill my commitment to help Minnesota communities prepare for their aging populations," he says.

After receiving his bachelor's degree in political science and English from Gustavus, Luce became a VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) volunteer, organizing elderly residents who were at risk of losing their housing. He notes, "Gustavus certainly played a strong part in my development, as a student, activist, and someone who wants to work within the system to change it for the betterment of society's disadvantaged."

Luce hopes to lead conversation about how communities and governmental programs adapt as the "baby boomer generation" enters retirement. "The aging of baby boomers is going to define our society over the next two decades as we prepare for the year 2030, when one in four Minnesotans will be age 65 or older," says Luce, who currently serves as director of organizing and civic engagement for Child Care Works, a nonprofit organization that advocates for quality, accessible, and affordable child care in Minnesota. "Currently most communities are not prepared for this massive population shift. Communities need to begin long-term planning initiatives, access the needs of their boomer residents, and lay the groundwork for coordination of services to ensure that boomers remain active and engaged as assets to their communities."

Founded by Archibald Bush and his wife, Edyth, in 1953, the Bush Foundation has provided more than \$800 million in grants and fellowships primarily funded by 3M investments. In order to qualify, candidates must have a record of leadership and demonstrate integrity, emotional maturity, intelligence, and the ability to communicate. Through these fellowships, the Bush Foundation aims to improve the quality of life in Minnesota, South Dakota, and North Dakota.

"I'm excited that my ideas have been validated by an amazing foundation which is committed to having a positive impact on communities," Luce says. "The fellowship affords me the opportunity to have my ideas challenged by the leading public affairs school in the country."

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Hockey in the 'hood: Gustie alums serving urban youth at DinoMights

Over the past three winters, DinoMights has been in the eye of the perfect hockey storm. Not only have they been featured as the charitable cause of the U.S. Pond Hockey Championships at Lake Nokomis, but they were also featured on Fox Sports Network's Marathon Day of Hockey telecasts including the Minnesota Gophers and Minnesota Wild on January 20, 2007. Of course, hockey is the incentive for people to be interested in DinoMights. It is also the incentive for students to be involved, but in the words of Ron Johnson, Fox Sports News anchor, "The real payoff comes away from the ice."

DinoMights began in 1995 as a collaborative effort with the Minneapolis Park Board and the Park Avenue Foundation Computer Learning Center. DinoMights' mission is "to equip our urban youth to develop physical, academic, social, and spiritual excellence." The philosophy of DinoMights is centered on whole-life impact and long-term relationships with diverse youth possessing significant unmet needs in the Central, Powderhorn, and Phillips neighborhoods of South Minneapolis. Using hockey as an incentive, DinoMights provides academic tutoring, mentoring, computer instruction, studies, camping, community service, and Christian faith-based activities that help fulfill the mission. In 2009, DinoMights served a total of 245 students, the highest number in its history. Among DinoMights' many other notable accomplishments is an overall high school graduation rate of 85 percent, which is considerably higher than the 55 percent rate for Minneapolis Public Schools.

As a graduate student at Bethel Seminary, **Scott Harman '99** heard about DinoMights from another student during the fall of 2000 and decided to check it out. He remembers thinking, "This is the perfect thing. It has sports it has faith, and I can tell it is making a real difference in the lives of the kids." He started out as a volunteer coaching the squirts (fourth and fifth graders). The next summer he became a part-time staff member, where he stayed for three more years. After a few years in another position, Scott returned to DinoMights in 2006 to become the organization's second executive director. "It makes a huge difference in the lives of our youth, but it has changed my life too. I met my wife serving at DinoMights, I've made my home in these neighborhoods, and I just can't imagine my life without the rich diversity of urban Minneapolis. I really feel that this is the place where God has called me for now."

Harman is not the only Gustie to be impacted by DinoMights. Pictured from left are **Leah Langehaug Wong '02**, **Rich Wong '00**, **Kevin Warkentein '03**, and **Scott Harman '99**, all longtime volunteers in the



program. The four became friends as participants in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes while at Gustavus. Another Gustie, **Jim Bloom '82**, is involved as parent of a current DinoMights participant. The Wongs and Warkentein are very active volunteers. Over the past seven years they have coached the Mites (second and third graders), tutored several students, and been positive adult mentors to many urban youth. Leah describes her experience this way: "I think we have gotten more out of this than the kids have." To learn more about DinoMights go to www.dinomights.com.

St. Louis Park, is employed at Despatch Industries ■ **Aaron P. Zenner**, St. Paul, is in real estate management at Stephen Zenner Properties ■ **Amanda Shrader Ziesemer**, Oshkosh, WI, is an academic department associate at University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

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Basketball alums gather for tourney

Alumni basketball players and staff gathered in May for the annual Tom Brown Classic basketball event, which included a round-robin tournament and playoff followed by an evening picnic dinner. Pictured kneeling are **David Flom '95** (former assistant coach), **Mike Boschee** (former assistant coach), **Mark Hanson '83** (head coach), **Aaron Kahl '00** (former assistant coach), and **Josh Drinkall** (current assistant coach). Standing are **Randall Stuckey '83** (director of alumni relations), **Willie Lindquist** (retired athletic equipment specialist), **Bob Southworth '99**, **Jason Quam '97**, **Eric Nelson '04**, **Phil Sowden '07** (back), **Hans Sviggum '03** (front), **Doug Espenson '05**, **Dave Newell '03** (program director in the Community Service Center), **Marc Newell '00**, **Jeff Owen '92**, **Trevor Wittwer '08**, **Andrew Doble '08**, **Trent Hollerich '06**, **Mark McDonnell '99**, **Tyler Kramer '07**, **Brian Bergstrom '02**, **Tyler Kaus '09**, **Mike Kauls '99**, **Wayne Norman** (athletic equipment specialist), and **Tom Brown** (assistant athletics director).



Gusties of First Sorensen reunite

Women who lived on first-floor Sorensen during the 1998–99 school year celebrated a ten-year reunion in March with "then" and "now" photos. Pictured 10 years ago (right) were, front row from left, **Sarah Remer Seleen '02** and **Marin Wamsley '00**; standing, **Teresa Stewart '02**, **Mary Dahmen Lundquist '02**, **Katie Hein '02**, **Jaime Quam Winchell '02**, **Tracy Hanson Burman '00**, **Rita Schmitt '01**, **Renee Schmitt '02**, and Collegiate Fellow **Amy Valek '99**. Gusties in attendance at the reunion (above) were, front row, **Tracy Hanson Burman '00**, **Rita Schmitt '01**, and **Mary Dahmen Lundquist '02**; back, **Amy Valek '99**, **Renee Schmitt '02**, **Teresa Stewart '02**, **Katie Scheel '02**, and **Katie Hein '02**.



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Gustie geographers

Four geographers with ties to Gustavus participated in the 2009 AP Human Geography Reading at University of Nebraska-Lincoln in June. Their task was to grade the free-response questions on 59,000 AP geography exams. Geography is a required high school subject in Texas, and the State of Florida pays for all AP exams, so many of the exams were from Texas and Florida students. Two Gustavus alumnae, **Amanda Peterson Kolpin '03** and **Ann Fletchall '00**, easily recognized Professor **Mark Bjelland**. And, because he wore Gustie gear to nearly every session, they were able to identify **Marc Crawford's** connection to Gustavus as assistant football coach. (Marc also teaches AP human geography at Mankato East High School.) In the photo are, from left, Crawford; Kolpin, who is a Ph.D. candidate in geography at the University of Wisconsin; Fletchall, who has accepted a geography teaching position at Western Carolina University; and Bjelland.



On the road with Superstar

Misti Koop '02, pictured with actor **Ted Neeley**, finished her master's degree in 2008 in theatre arts at the University of North Dakota, then moved to New York City last fall where, after learning and adjusting to the audition routine, she landed an ensemble role in the national tour of *Jesus Christ Superstar* starring **Ted Neeley**. Koop traveled the country as part of this production from December 2008 through May 2009, performing more than 150 shows in over 65 cities and has been invited to tour with the musical again next year.

St. Louis ■ **David W. Koppel**, Columbus, OH, is working on a teaching assistantship at Ohio University in the department of geology and geophysics ■ **Kimbra R. Kosak**, Grand Rapids, is employed as a naturalist at Wolf Ridge Environmental Center ■ **John D. Leaf**, Center City, is a seasonal naturalist at Long Lake Conservation cen-

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Kendra L. Mays, Minnesota Lake, is an implementation analyst for SPS Commerce ■ **Galen P. Mitchell**, Littleton, CO, is attending graduate school in philosophy at Colorado University at Denver ■ **Robert T. Mobeck**, Chaska, is attending the St. Thomas School of Law ■ **Lor C. Moua**, Minneapolis, is a graduate student at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute ■ **Mai Nhia Moua**, St. Paul, is attending graduate school at the Augsburg School of Social Work ■ **Andre J. Mutschler-Supplee**, Edina, is employed at McQuay International ■ **Emily E. Nelson** is teaching with Teach for America in Dallas ■ **Catherine A. Osterhaus**, Eagan, is volunteering with Urban Servant Corps in Denver ■ **Charles N. Paukert**, Grand Forks, ND, is producer at Vaaler Insurance ■ **Anne J. Pearce**, Waukesha, WI, is employed at Hands on Art Studio ■ **Jeffrey M. Pedersen**, Plymouth, is an audit associate at Grant Thornton ■ **Britta L. Petersen**, Stillwater, is attending physician assistant school at Augsburg College ■ **Steph R. Peterson**, Chaska, is attending graduate school in occupational therapy at the University of South Dakota ■ **Alyssa J. Posterick** is attending the physician assistant program at King's College ■ **Alexander E. Prieve**, Faribault, is attending the University of Minnesota Human Resources and Industrial Relations graduate program ■ **Ross C. Puffer**, Byron, is a graduate student at the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences ■ **Jennifer R. Pusch**, Minneapolis, is a clerk at Katz, Manka, Teplinsky, Graves and Sobol, Ltd. ■ **Carl P. Rabbe**, Trimont, is attending the Lutheran Theological Seminary of Philadelphia ■ **Shawn D. Rancourt**, Lindstrom, is a consumer lender/loan officer for TCF Bank ■ **Mallory J. Richards**, Ham Lake, is attending graduate school in chemistry at the University of Minnesota ■ **Joel D. Rindelaub**, St. Cloud, is pursuing a PhD in chemistry at Purdue University ■ **Lauren L. Runsvold**, Fargo, ND, is attending Minnesota State University, Mankato for professional school counseling ■ **Heather B. Rusk**, Waukesha, WI, is attending medical school at the University of Wisconsin ■ **Katherine J. Saling**, Rochester, is teaching English in Japan ■ **Anna K. Schuh**, St. Paul Park, is doing a teaching assistantship in industrial engineering at Virginia Tech ■ **Andrew J. Scott**, Cottage Grove, is an actuary at Travelers Insurance Co. ■ **Kari M. Sexe**, Deerfield, WI, is studying library science at the University of

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George Haun '54 and Judith Haun, 4/28/06, Winter Haven, FL.

Robert D. Saeger '69 and Gloria M. Saeger, 10/10/07, Scottsdale, AZ.

Barbara J. Jones '86 and Kevin Dorn, 10/4/08, Nicollet, MN.

Peter Eckhoff '87 and Nancy Lehn, 8/2/08, New Hope, MN.

Tim Ackerman '89 and Christina Ackerman, 8/20/08, Minneapolis, MN.

Jamie S. Miller '89 and Douglas Debner, 4/19/08, Apple Valley, MN.

Jesse P. Anderson '95 and Julie Alaspa, 10/3/08, Duluth, MN.

Heather M. Olson '97 and Jessica Myhre, St. Paul, MN.

Susan Rodenkirchen '97 and Ryan Walker, State College, PA.

Mike Johnson '98 and Molly McDowell, 8/2/08, White Bear Lake, MN.

Jessica Rolf '98 and Lee Sheppard III, 11/1/08, Memphis, TN.

Bryce D. Anderson '99 and Emily Quam, 9/26/08, Mendota Heights, MN.

Katrina M. Baldus '99 and Mitch Irwin, 4/5/08, Hastings, MN.

Scott L. Bruns '99 and Rachel Farris, 4/22/09, Inver Grove Heights, MN.

Jodi Morris '99 and Jesse B. Okerlund '97, 4/21/07, Hopkins, MN.

Kevin J. O'Laughlin '99 and Leslie O'Laughlin, 3/20/08, Minneapolis, MN.

Kari Petrasek '99 and Mark Merz, 11/4/06, Lynnwood, WA.

Laura Peterson '00 and **Alan Sommervold '02**, Golden Valley, MN.

Dustin L. Thomas '00 and Jill Lubbers, 4/4/09, St. Paul, MN.

Virginia Fagerberg '01 and Tim Henninghausen, 12/6/08, Austin, TX.

Kristen Richter '01 and Mikell Franke, 10/11/08, Courtland, MN.

Andy Siegmann '01 and Melissa Schroepfer, 1/31/09, New Ulm, MN.

Justin R. Zoch '01 and Whitney Johnson, 11/1/08, St. Paul, MN.

Brooke Bemmels '02 and Keith Pavek, 4/25/09, St. Paul, MN.

Daryn C. Collins '02 and Amber Erickson, 6/29/08, New Ulm, MN.

Alicia Fugleberg '02 and Jeffrey Hemphill, Shakopee, MN.

Nate Little '02 and Alicia Little, Minneapolis, MN.

Julia Mahin '02 and Brian Stuart, Mendota Heights, MN.

Katie Merrild '02 and Roth Kersten, 8/2/09, Minneapolis, MN.

Matthew Nesvig '02 and Terri Nohl, 5/16/09, Gaylord, MN.

Cynthia Sonntag '02 and **Andrew J. Dahl '02**, 6/7/08, Edina, MN.

Laura Martenson '03 and Nick Skadsberg, Blaine, MN.

Josh Whitver '03 and Elizabeth Whitver, Urbandale, IA.

Leslie Wilcox '03 and Dan Rosedahl, 6/6/09, St. Paul, MN.

Jessica Coleman '04 and Jon Siverson, 9/20/08, Mendota Heights, MN.

Lisa Jaeger '04 and Brian Doering, 3/28/09, Alden, IA.

Jon Moody '04 and Coreyann Byrd, 9/13/08, Fitchberg, WI.

Jason D. Rogowski '04 and Brittney Rogowski, Maple Grove, MN.

Adam J. Stubbendick '04 and Jordan Miller, Ceresco, NE.

Amy Svendsen '04 and Stacy Sundet, 3/28/09, Minneapolis, MN.

Sarah Volk '04 and Benjamin Morrison, 5/23/09, Prior Lake, MN.

Kathryn Erickson '05 and Chris Columbaro, 6/21/08, Red Wing, MN.

Ashley Farbo '05 and **Anthony J. Schulzetenberg '07**, 9/5/08, Greenwald, MN.

Kristi Schneider '05 and **Brian P. Trussell '05**, 3/21/09, Eagan, MN.

Kari Steffenhagen '05 and Nathan Bluhm, Stratford, WI.

Katherine Swenson '05 and **Nick Palmer '06**, 5/17/08, Chicago, IL.

Matt Fordyce '06 and Ashley Fordyce, Atwater, MN.

Peter R. Hillman '06 and Niccole Rentz, 10/4/08, Storm Lake, IA.

Tracy Jaeger '06 and Joshua Werner, 11/22/08, Cottage Grove, MN.

Dana Johnson '06 and Robert Butkus, 6/9/09, Gainesville, GA.

Jillian Natwick '06 and Jeremy Schmitz, 10/4/08, Burnsville, MN.

Brittany Northagen '06 and Kurtis Van Keulen, 8/2/08, Marshall, MN.

Gwendolyn Peterson '06 and Andrew Blake, Houston, TX.

Marit Sviggum '06 and **Eric M. Lindquist '06**, 5/30/09, Apple Valley, MN.

Jennifer Guptill '07 and **Erik R. Tone '07**, 5/30/09, Woodbury, MN.

Karen Hoeg '07 and Matthew Kennedy, 10/18/08, Bloomington, MN.



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Krenik named top sales rep

Jessica Krenik '02, Austin, TX, national publishing consultant for John Wiley & Sons Publishing, was awarded the Top Sales Representative of the year. Krenik travels throughout the South coaching sales representatives and assisting in closing sales. Wiley is a global publishing company that specializes in academic publishing and markets its products to professionals and consumers, students and instructors in higher education, and researchers and practitioners in scientific, technical, medical, and scholarly fields. The company produces books, journals, and encyclopedias, in print and electronically, as well as online products



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Eric J. Lewanski '07 and Katie Lewanski, 1/24/09, Rosemount, MN.

Stephanie Lovik '07 and **Tim Bruss '07**, 12/27/09, Lake Elmo, MN.

Chris Lowry '07 and Emily Holmin, 10/18/09, North Mankato, MN.

Ashley Riles '07 and **Logan J. Martin '06**, St. Paul, MN.

Mark R. LaVoie '08 and Kelli Jensen, 3/14/09, Clarissa, MN.

Mike Muehlenbein '08 and Carissa Hafemeyer, 5/9/09, Faribault, MN.

Kelly Rozenboom '08 and **Jon Hagedorn '06**, 6/5/09, Blue Earth, MN.

Rachael J. Flohrs '09 and Nick Janssen, 6/6/09, Ormsby, MN.

Laura Luce '09 and **Elliot A. Peterson '09**, 6/3/09, Golden Valley, MN.

Ashley Walburn '09 and Mike Cody, 5/9/09, Minnetrista, MN.

Jennifer Brynildson '11 and Nicolas Specht, 2/7/09, Savage, MN.

Births

Will, to **Tim Ackerman '89** and Christina Ackerman, 9/14/08.

Elizabeth, to **Keith N. Jackson '89** and Heidi Jackson, 4/26/08.

Shane, to **Antoinette Way Mussay '89** and **Michael J. Mussay '89**, 1/1/09.

Gabriel, by adoption, to **Marcy Moorcroft Capell '91** and Greg Capell, born 6/27/08, adopted 1/15/09.

Emma, to **Kristi Nokken-Hollands '91** and Todd Hollands, 10/31/08.

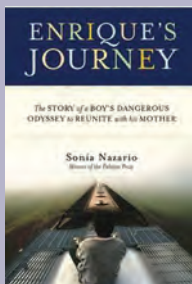
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When in Greece . . .

Valerie Buckstein Boller '03 and **Jill Hubers Haspert '04** are pictured in Olympic Stadium in Athens, Greece, after completing the Athens Classic Marathon in November. Jill and Valerie ran the marathon to raise money for Bolder Options, a Minneapolis-based mentoring organization that they both volunteer for. A group of 25 runners from Minneapolis raised nearly \$90,000 for Bolder Options.

Alumni and Parents invited to participate in Reading in Common



Starting in 2000, all first-year students have read a book in common prior to entering Gustavus. That book is used as a common basis for conversation and is woven into their Gustie Greeter groups, their First Term Seminar, and throughout the year. *Enrique's Journey*, by Sonia Nazario, is this year's selection. Books are selected based on their literary quality, reading manageability (college level reading but not too long),

interdisciplinary nature, and whether the author is available for a campus appearance. Nazario will be on campus on Monday, Sept. 28, 2009, to present a public talk in the evening. Alumni and parents are invited to join in the reading and the other activities associated with the Reading in Common program. Visit the Gustavus Alumni website at gustavus.edu/alumni for a discussion guide to use with the book.

Twins, Cooper and Chloe, to **Renee Rasmusson Anderson '92** and Josh Anderson, 3/17/09
Samuel, by adoption, to **Todd Carlson '92** and Holley Carlson
Cameron, to **Michele Ziehwein Davis '92** and **Eric A. Davis '92**, 4/14/08.

Greta, to **Terri Mineau '92** and **Nathan Marsten '91**, 1/09
William, to **Lisa Brown Fenton '93** and Doug Fenton, 4/28/09.
Katherine, to **Bonnie Allen Anderson '94** and Ryan Anderson, 6/26/08.
Cooper, to **Abby Lamp Heckman '94** and Gregory T. Heckman, 4/25/08.

Gracie, to **Brian J. Hetland '94** and Stefanie Hetland, 1/5/08.
Brett, to **Krista Martens Hitchcock '94** and Steven Hitchcock, 10/10/08.
Connor, to **Leah Chernivec Larson '94** and Scott Larson, 9/26/08.
Tanner, to **Kim Wabner Noll '94** and Troy Noll, 8/4/05.
Drew, to **Kathryn Campbell Tusek '94** and Dave Tusek, 1/14/08.
Twins, Halla and Garrett, to **Michelle Taylor Moyer '95** and Jason Moyer, 4/18/07
Oliver, to **Douglas J. Thielen '95** and Anne Thielen, 9/18/08.
Sydney, to **Alec Walker '95** and Patricia Walker, 12/15/08.
Ray, to **Alison Kagol Anderson '96** and Erik Anderson, 5/16/07.
Maxon, to **Kara Pagel Erchull '96** and Greg Erchull, 11/28/08.
Ethan, to **Kerstin Forstrom '96**, 1/17/09.
Ellery, to **Carolyn J. Swenson '96** and Kent Rebehn, 4/27/09.
Elena, to **Faith Handeviddt Wagner '96** and **Sheldon E. Wagner '94**, 4/22/08.
Jacintha, to **Kari Binning '97** and **Joshua A. Lang '98**, 4/22/08.
Gretta, to **Matthew M. Dahmen '97** and Sara Dahmen, 11/1/08.
Owen, to **Ed Geiss '98** and Linda Geiss, 5/4/09.
Stella, to **Jen Hedin Gorney '98** and Keith Gorney, 1/14/09.
Peter, to **Stacy Dieckman Juhl '98** and **Aaron D. Juhl '98**, 3/31/09.
Jonas, to **Amy Miller Peterson '98** and **Bradley M. Peterson '98**, 11/14/07.
Flynn, to **Jennifer Robe Reiland '98** and John Reiland, 4/30/09.
Henry, to **Julie Garlock Ruegamer '98** and Dan Ruegamer, 11/19/08.
Leo, to **Rosa Glade Arnold '99** and **Scott P. Arnold '00**, 4/10/09.
Vivian, to **Eric G. Brockberg '99** and Kristen Brockberg, 2/15/08.
William, to **Angela Agan Claney '99** and Ted Claney, 4/10/09.
Amelia, to **Kadie Stone Davis '99** and **John M. Davis '00**, 3/11/09.
Max, to **Aaron L. Grove '99** and Breck Grove, 12/11/08.
Isaac, to **Katie Grant Hansen '99** and Matthew Hansen, 12/11/08.
Mara, to **Lisa Deboer Hansen '99** and Troy Hansen, 4/10/07.
Ava, to **Becky Carlson Haywood '99** and Wardell Haywood, 11/21/08.
Daniel, to **Erin Byron Hultgren '99** and **Joshua M. Hultgren '99**, 6/26/08.
Ian, to **Matthew M. L. Johnson '99** and Briana Johnson, 11/13/08.

Linden, to **Sacha Rodman Kelly '99** and **Cameron R. Kelly '00**, 7/16/08.
Shiv, to **Sat Mitar K. Khalsa '99** and Sat Guru Khalsa, 9/11/06.
Nolan, to **Benjamin J. Lipari '99** and Jana Lipari, 10/28/04.
Alec, to **Shane M. McClinton '99** and Michaelyn McClinton, 1/7/09.
Sawyer, to **Kari Carlson Newell '99** and **Marc C. Newell '99**, 7/11/08.
Aidan, to **Haddie Heitkamp Oebser '99** and Scott Oebser, 5/11/06.
Skylar, to **Jodi Morris Okerlund '99** and **Jesse B. Okerlund '97**, 7/8/08.
Annika, to **Megan Halvorsen Peterson '99** and Leif Peterson, 1/3/09.
Ashley, to **Erika Gjerde Pouliot '99** and **Chris Pouliot '98**, 8/1/08.
Sved, to **Heather Magnuson Rodning '99** and Patrick Rodning, 2/24/09.
Connor, to **Keri Engel Rouen '99** and **Noah J. Rouen '97**, 6/24/08.
Gabriel, to **Jennifer Midthun Schommer '99** and Matthew Schommer, 4/25/07.
Kylie, to **Sara Schonrock Southworth '99** and **Bob Southworth '99**, 4/15/09.
Norman, to **Heidi Wegner Ha '00** and Khoa Ha.
Brenna, to **Dustin R. Haedt '00** and Stephanie Haedt, 1/1/07.
Jacob, to **Jennifer Wendt Mackie '00** and **Aaron J. Mackie '00**, 4/14/09.
Jack, to **Heather Nierengarten Nienow '00** and **Scott J. Nienow '99**, 7/28/08.
Anders, to **Elise von Lührte-Neugebauer '00** and **Josh J. Neugebauer '00**, 2/6/09.
Nora, to **Stephanie Jensen Otto '00** and **Nathanael R. Otto '99**, 5/9/08.
Maren, to **Nicole Chrissotimos Devereaux '01** and Michael Devereaux, 11/14/08.
Ethan, to **Susan Sultvedt Engelhardt '01** and **Larry P. Engelhardt '00**, 3/8/09.
Cole, to **Kyle A. Hicok '01** and Kristin Hicok, 3/31/08.
Colby, to **Dana Prehn Hoof '01** and Daryl Hoof, 1/4/09.
Kembri, to **Ashley W. Jensen '01** and Cortnee Jensen, 2/9/09.
Addison, to **Ryan M. Meulemans '01** and Nicole Ostrem, 10/14/08.
Griffin, to **Kristin Kimball Olson '01** and Linus Olson, 2/8/09.
Jacob, to **Amber Greife Adam '02** and Jeremy Adam, 8/6/08.



Gusties teach at Twin Cities International Elementary School

Christena Pulver '07 and **Wendy Johnson '91** teach first grade together in Minneapolis at the Twin Cities International Elementary School. The school is a K-4 charter school, founded by educational leaders in the East African community, which ultimately seeks to prepare students for successful and productive lives as United States citizens while allowing them to retain their unique cultural heritage. The majority of the over 600 students are children of East African heritage. Learn more at www.twincitiesinternationalschool.org.

Carmen, to **Katie Howe Bertrand '02** and Michael Bertrand, 3/28/09.
 Alexander, to **Jenny Messner Bland '02** and **Mike Bland '02**, 4/9/08.
 Rorie Jo, to **Laura Beres Bristle '02** and Andrew Bristle, 2/25/09.
 Calvin, to **Angela Muck Davis '02** and **Scott Davis '02**, 4/25/09.
 Noah, to **Jessica Reed Deegan '02** and Chris Deegan, 2/10/09.
 Henry, to **Katie Bartz Johnson '02** and **Todd A. Johnson '02**, 8/17/08.
 Emmett, to **Courtney Metzroth LaTour '02** and **Chuck LaTour '01**, 3/12/09.
 MacKenzie, to **Alyssa Stanley Stroemer '02** and Erik Stroemer, 6/27/08.
 Gabriel, to **Krista Fuerstenberg Thomas '02** and Chad Thomas, 12/7/08.
 Gavin, to **Dana Anderson Tran '02** and **Jason Tran '02**, 12/28/08.
 Abram, to **Beth Jorgenson Gissibl '03** and Matt G. Gissibl, 2/5/09.
 Brady, to **Katie Josephson Ploog '03** and Troy Ploog, 1/24/09.
 Aiden, to **Katie Carver Zabel '03** and **Jeremy D. Zabel '01**, 12/1/08.
 Ethan, to **Travis R. Christensen '04** and Tricia Christensen, 4/15/08.

Christopher, to **Martha Kvitrud Douglas '04** and Timothy Douglas, 4/23/09.
 David, to **Sara Schewe Kalis '04** and David Kalis, 5/7/09.
 Ellen, to **Molly O'Donnell McFarlane '04** and **Brian J. McFarlane '03**.
 Noah, to **Emily Sharpsteen Osnes '04** and **Jason R. Osnes '04**, 10/6/08.
 Zurie, to **Korine Boyenga Petersen '04** and Nicholas Petersen, 7/7/08.
 Evalynn, to **Alison Anderson Holland '05** and Jeff Holland, 11/27/08.

In Memoriam

Leonard Bosacker '34, Albert Lea, MN, on September 26, 2008. He was a retired postal worker and is survived by two daughters and two sons.
Robert Smith '40, Canyon Lake, TX, on March 30, 2009. He was retired manager and owner of Stone Company, Houston, and is survived by his wife, Patricia, one son, and one daughter.
Shirley Robeck Hall '41, Burnsville, MN, on May 4, 2009. She was a

retired business educator teaching in the St. Paul Public Schools and is survived by one son.

Hazel Fossum Arndt '42, Ft. Collins, CO, on July 3, 2009. She was a retired teacher and librarian and is survived by three sons, one daughter, and two sisters.

Elaine Larson Larson '42, Boise, ID, on November 10, 2008. She was a retired high school and adult educator and is survived by two sons and one daughter.

Marjorie Brown Bakke '43, Mankato, MN, on June 7, 2009. She was a retired librarian for Mankato Public Schools and is survived by two daughters and one son.

Dorothy Hahn Hanna '43, Blue Earth, MN, on August 26, 2008. She is survived by two stepchildren and one sister.

Kenneth Ebb '44, Kentwood, MI, on May 16, 2009. He was a retired chaplain who served Wisconsin State Prison and is survived by his wife, Virginia, one daughter, and one son.

Hanna Hanson '44, Minneapolis, MN, on February 5, 2009. She was a retired teacher and parish worker in China, Hong Kong, and North Borneo.

George Olsen '44, Minneapolis, MN, on June 27, 2009. He was a retired teacher and is survived by his wife, Virginia, one daughter, and one son.

Edwin Schamber '44, Perrysville, OH, on April 2, 2009. He was a retired electrical engineer and designer and is survived by his wife, Patricia, and two daughters.

Phyllis Schulberg Holmer '46, Minneapolis, MN, on May 19, 2009. She was a retired teacher and is survived by two sons and daughter Linnea Wren, Gustavus professor of art and art history.

Carl Annexstad '47, St. Peter, MN, on May 14, 2009. He was a retired farmer and is survived by his wife, Lois, three sons, and two daughters.

John Magalee '47, Riverside, CA, on July 7, 2009. He was a retired army chaplain and is survived by his wife, Mary, one daughter, and one son.

John Pagelkopf '47, Rochester, MN, on April 22, 2009. He was a retired insurance businessman and is survived by one son and three daughters.

Marjorie Lindberg Peterson '47, Bloomington, MN, on June 16, 2009. She was a retired nurse and

Twin Cities Breakfasts

Join other Gusties for a morning cup of coffee and breakfast while getting an update on Gustavus—a great way to meet and network with Gusties in the Twin Cities. The group will meet the third Wednesday of each month at:
 Doubletree Hotel, Minneapolis-Park Place
 1500 Park Place Boulevard (Hwy. 394 & Hwy. 100)
 8:30 – 10 a.m., \$10 per person
 Reserve by calling Don Swanson '55 at 763-533-9083

Scheduled speakers:

- Sept. 16, 2009 **Mark Bjelland**, associate professor of geography, chair of the 45th Nobel Conference: "H₂O: Uncertain Resource"
- Oct. 21, 2009 **Jack R. Ohle**, president
- Nov. 18, 2009 **Brian Johnson '80**, chaplain, artistic director of Christmas in Christ Chapel
- Dec. 16, 2009 **Thomas Young '88**, vice president for institutional advancement
- Jan. 20, 2010 **Margaret Anderson Kelliher '90**, speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives
- Feb. 17, 2010 **Doug Minter '79**, director of student financial aid, and **Kirk Carlson '95**, associate director of student financial aid
- March 17, 2010 **Amanda Nienow**, assistant professor of chemistry, speaking about forensic science
- April 21, 2010 **Virgil Jones**, director of multicultural programs
- May 19, 2010 **Al Molde '66**, director of intercollegiate athletics, and **Tim Kennedy '82**, sports information director
- June 16, 2010 **Bob Neuman '80**, office of admission
- July 21, 2010 **Summer Programs staff**
- August 18, 2010 **Peter Haugen**, football coach

Speaker's schedules may change so please see gustavus.edu/alumni for current information.

is survived by two sons, one brother, and sister Janice Seefert '48.

Harry Beams '48, Springfield, IL, on July 6, 2009. He was a retired mechanical engineer and is survived by one daughter, three sons, two sisters, and two brothers.

J. Lyman Hall '48, Pinehurst, NC, on June 6, 2009. He was a retired attendance supervisor for Levittown Public Schools on Long Island, NY, and is survived by his wife, Charlotte, and two sons.

J. Daniel Palm '48, Northfield, MN, on June 6, 2009. He was professor emeritus of biology at St. Olaf College and is survived by two daughters, one son, and two sisters.

Peter Erickson '49, Minneapolis, MN, July 15, 2009. He was a retired ELCA pastor, president of the Minnesota Council of Churches, and was assistant to the Bishop of the Minnesota Synod (LCA). He served Gustavus as class agent from 1970-2009,

on the Alumni Board of Directors, and on the Board of Trustees. He is survived by his wife, Enid, and four daughters including Nancy Hoffman '77, Karen Severinson '78, Debra Bergman '80, and Susan Peterson '82.

Waldemar Storm '49, Mandan, ND, on May 16, 2009. He was a retired pastor and is survived by his wife, Ethel, one son, and two daughters.

Marvin Hartwick '50, Eden Prairie, MN, on April 16, 2009. He was a retired teacher for Minneapolis schools and is survived by his wife, Fern, one son, and three daughters.

Glen Lindstrom '50, Forest Lake, MN, on October 13, 2008. He was a retired educator and is survived by two sons.

Carol Edstrom Melhouse '50, Cannon Falls, MN, on September 15, 2008. She was a retired registered nurse and is survived by two sons and one daughter.



Minnetonka teachers

Three Gusties on the staff of Minnewashta Elementary School in the Minnetonka School District took a "time-out" for a photo. From left are **Amber Rathmann '05** (kindergarten), **Molly Wengler '98** (fourth grade), and **Stephanie Berglund '07** (second-grade Spanish).

Carol Heffernan Lundstrom '51, Duluth, MN, on May 3, 2009. She was a homemaker, retired employee of Bell Telephone, and teacher's assistant and is survived by her husband, Gordon, and four daughters including Barbara Perkins '83.

Avis Johnson Legler '52, Salt Lake City, UT, on May 15, 2009. She was a retired secretarial worker at the University of Kansas and is survived by her husband, John '53, one daughter, and two sons including Edward '81.

J. Dean Gevik '53, Baxter, MN, on June 6, 2009. He was a retired ELCA pastor, author, and editor of five books and is survived by his wife, Melba (Johnson '56), one son, and two daughters including Teresa Garin '80.

Pauline Carlson Huse '53, Kasson, MN, on April 12, 2009. She was a retired educator and clerk of court for Dodge County and is survived by her husband, Lavern '53, and four children including Angela Benda '82.

Vernon Ogren '53, Duluth, MN, on July 1, 2009. He was a retired auditor and private tax consultant and is survived by his wife, Helen, one son, one daughter, one brother, and one sister.

Dolores Youngren Bergstrand '54, Minneapolis, MN, on May 29, 2009. She was a retired youth director at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Jamestown, NY, and is survived by three children, John '78, Paul '80, and Lori Swenson '82.

Dean Herfindahl '55, Battle Lake, MN, on May 15, 2008. He was a retired employee in research and

development for DuPont Co., and is survived by his wife, Anne, one son, and one daughter.

Hazelann Ruud Tateosian '55, St. Paul, MN, on May 23, 2009. She was a retired nurse/educator from the V.A. Medical Center, Minneapolis, and is survived by her husband, George.

Dallas Blenkush '56, Lakeville, MN, on April 16, 2009. He was a retired ELCA pastor and is survived by his children, Stephen '80, Anne Rykken '83, and Mary Konnad '88.

Roger Nelson '56, Mahwah, NJ, on November 4, 2008. He was vice president of Pearson Education-School Division, Upper Saddle River, and is survived by one daughter, two sisters, and one brother.

Janet Johnson Reed '56, Verona, WI, on March 30, 2008. She was a retired administrator at Oakwood Lutheran Village and is survived by her husband, Vincent, three sons, and daughter Debra Thilgen '79.

Robert Jensen '57, West Palm Beach, FL, on November 24, 2008. He was a retired CPA and is survived by wife, Greer, two sons, one daughter, and sister Barbara Olson '58.

Earl Nelson '57, St. Peter, on May 21, 2009. He was a retired surveyor for Standard Oil Company and a farmer and is survived by his wife, Evelyn (Peterson '59), two sons, and two daughters.

Charlene Lind Olson '57, Stevens Point, WI, on May 31, 2009. She was a retired teacher and is survived by two sons and two daughters.



Family Service Opportunity

Looking for a unique family service opportunity during the October Education Minnesota break? Join other Gusties to pack meals for Feed My Starving Children. Feed My Starving Children is a nonprofit Christian organization committed to feeding God's starving children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals formulated specially for starving children, and the organization ships the meals to more than 60 countries around the world. Packing will take place from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15, at the Chanhassen site, 18378 Lake Drive East. This event is open to anyone over the age of five. All volunteers must wear closed-toed shoes. There are a limited number of spots available, so please register via e-mail at alumni@gustavus.edu.

Janice Aldrich-Campion '58, Duluth, MN, on May 5, 2009. She was retired supervisor at Anoka State Hospital and is survived by one son and four daughters.

Laurence Ray '58, Cokato, MN, on March 1, 2009. He was a retired teacher at the Minnesota Academy for the Blind in Faribault and is survived by one daughter, four sisters, and four brothers.

Daryl Monson '60, Bellingham, WA on May 23, 2009. He was an aeronautical engineer for NASA/Ames Research Center and is survived by his wife, Barbara, and two daughters.

Doniver Bjorklund '61, Gladstone, MI, on June 1, 2009. He was a retired employee of Fingerhut and is survived by two daughters and one son.

Sharon Phillips Erickson '61, Mankato, MN, on June 25, 2009. She was a retired rental property manager and is survived by one daughter and one son.

Carol Schulze '62, Eden Prairie, MN, on September 25, 2008. She was a retired social worker for Hennepin County and is survived by one brother.

Marcia Ryndon '64, Phoenix, AZ, on March 9, 2009. She was a homemaker and volunteer and is survived by two daughters.

Rebecca Heath Johnson '71, Nashport, OH, on June 15, 2009. She was a volunteer and a former employee of Bevers Family Pharmacy, and is survived by her husband, Mark '70, and son, Steven '98.

Susan Kauppi '78, Waverly, MN, on March 29, 2009. She was an independent contractor as a pro-

grammer with Fingerhut, 3M, and Pillsbury, and is survived by her parents, three sisters, and one brother.

Kevin Johnson '79, San Diego, CA, on February 18, 2009. He was employed in sales at Bowers Jewelry in La Jolla and is survived by his partner, Chris Janke, his parents, two sisters including Linda Johnson '78, and a brother.

S. Jane Stinson Kanawyer '86, Buffalo, MN, on April 28, 2009. She was employed at Walgreens and is survived by one son and one daughter.

Lucille Conrath Anderson, staff, St. Peter, MN, on March 21, 2009. She was employed in the Gustavus Food Service for 20 years, retiring in 1992, and is survived by seven children.

News of Retired Faculty

From Nobel Hall of Science and Olin Hall: Mike Anderson '54, biology, and his wife, Jean (Randin '55), make their home in Hot Springs Village, AK, and come north frequently to visit family and Gustavus. Mike celebrated his 55th graduation anniversary with his classmates ■ **Bob Bellig '60**, biology, and his wife, Tucki (Lund '60), live in Bemidji where hunting and fishing abound ■ **Keith "Joe" Carlson '56**, geology, and wife Marge make their home along the Minnesota River between St. Peter and Mankato, but Keith finds time to join Bob Bellig up north in fishing expeditions ■

Alumnus wins media studies competition at Boston University

After starting an independent theatre company while still in high school in India, **Sid Selvaraj '08** and friends Avinash Timothy and Joe Cyriac developed the idea for a nonprofit media organization that would educate and inspire people to find solutions to India's greatest problems. "We were interested in the way media can influence public opinion and convert opinion into action," says Selvaraj, a graduate student in the College of Communication at Boston University working on a master's degree in film production who will return to Bangalore, India, next year.



The nonprofit envisioned by Selvaraj and his friends, named the Fourth Estate, recently won the College of Communication's Harold G. Buchbinder Entrepreneurial Media Studies Competition at BU, which included a \$10,000 prize and a news brief in the June issue of the university's magazine, BU Today. The competition offers full-time College of Communication graduate students the chance to create, research, and develop a business plan supporting innovative products and services in the media field. To enter the competition, Selvaraj and his partners created a 14-month plan detailing among other key action items market research in Bangalore, plans for staffing, and revenue and funding tactics.

The award also paired Selvaraj with the senior vice president of production for HBO Films, Jay Roewe (pictured left with Sid), who happens to be a member of the BU Board of Overseers and who has volunteered to advise the Fourth Estate's founders on how to launch their venture. "Sid is clearly in the realm of entrepreneurship in what he's trying to put together, which is intriguing," Roewe says. "And there's the relevancy of a media type of venture in this day and age. I feel that I might even learn some things with the project."

The Fourth Estate's media packages will be designed for seven forms of distribution: film and TV, radio, theatre, publishing, advertising, public relations, and animation. Its first venture, according to Selvaraj, is the "AIDS Sutra" campaign, for which the film department will create a documentary about someone with the AIDS/HIV virus. The radio department then could create several podcasts to discuss concrete solutions, and the animation department could create a short piece about an HIV-positive 10-year-old girl. The point, Selvaraj says, "is to reach people in rural India, who do not have enough information about AIDS."

Selvaraj welcomes e-mails from potential collaborators and alumni who might have advice they're willing to share; for more information, contact him at selvaraj@bu.com.

Chemistry Alumni Symposium

The Gustavus Department of Chemistry invites alumni and friends to visit the campus for a special event. In addition to presenting its annual fall research symposium, the department has arranged for several alumni to talk about their work. This will be an excellent time to reconnect with classmates and network with other alumni.

Student Research Symposium

Friday September 11, 1-5 p.m.

Gustavus students and faculty will talk about their research.

Alumni Symposium

Saturday September 12, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Alumni in academia and industry will talk about their work.

Dinner with President Jack Ohle

Saturday, September 12, 6 p.m., \$15.

For more information, please contact Scott Bur (sbur@gustavus.edu) or see gustavus.edu/academics/chem/.

Service and Retirement Recognition

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

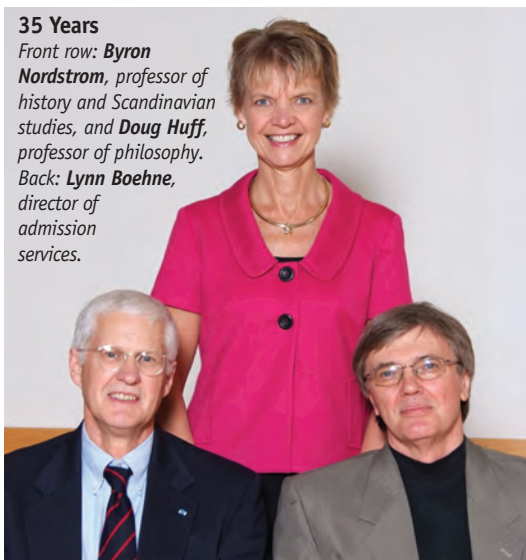


25 Years

Donita Clifton, benefits director. Not pictured are **Denis Crnković**, professor of Russian studies; **Barbara Kaiser**, associate professor of mathematics and computer science; **Patricia Kazarow**, professor of music; and **Tim Kennedy '82**, director, communication services and sports information.

35 Years

Front row: **Byron Nordstrom**, professor of history and Scandinavian studies, and **Doug Huff**, professor of philosophy. Back: **Lynn Boehne**, director of admission services.



40 Years

Tim Robinson, professor of psychology.



30 Years

Front row: **David Reese**, associate professor of economics and management; **Paul Tillquist**, executive consultant, institutional advancement; and **Jim Welsh**, associate professor of geology. Back row: **Bev Gustafson**, adjunct instructor of music, and **Stan Shetka**, professor of art and art history. Not pictured are **John Bungum**, professor of economics and management, and **Dennis Henry**, professor of physics.



Retirees

Dennis Henry, professor of physics, and **Steve Hogberg**, gift planner. Back row: **Edi Thorstenson**, visiting instructor and academic librarian, and **Byron Nordstrom**, professor of history and Scandinavian studies. Not pictured are **John Bungum**, professor of economics and management; **Tom Thorkelson**, men's and women's track coach, strength coach, and Lund Center special events coordinator; and **Steve Wilkinson**, men's tennis coach.

Art Glass '42, biology, lives in St. Peter's Capitol Heights with wife Gladys. He joined the reunion classes of 1959 and 1964 at Commencement 2009. **Tom Gover**, chemistry, and wife Mary live in Richfield in a home overlooking Wood Lake. **Milt Brostrom '49**, mathematics and computer science, and wife Elaine live at Realife Apartments in St. Peter. **Stephen Hilding '58**, mathematics and computer science, and wife Arlene live in St. Peter where they enjoy events planned by the

music department and the staff of Christ Chapel at Gustavus. **Bernard Hoogenboom**, chemistry, and wife Louise make their home at Pine Pointe in St. Peter. **Samiha Ibrahim**, mathematics and computer science, lives in Bloomington. Samiha has led annual tours to her native Egypt since her retirement. **Chet Johnson**, geology, and his wife, Marian (Swanson '41), live in St. Peter and this year celebrated their 65th Christmas together. **Arne Langsjoen '42**, chemistry, and

his wife, Carol (Gaustad '42), live in St. Peter. Their home was destroyed in the '98 tornado and Arne now lives in the Valley View addition. Carol is at Pheasant's Ridge Care Center in St. Peter. **Charles Mason**, biology, and wife Harriet make their home on College Avenue in St. Peter and continue their work in Linnaeus Arboretum. **Bob Moline**, geography, and wife **Kay Rethwill Moline '56**, nursing, are involved in teaching and in alumni activities at Gustavus. They make

their home in St. Peter and do a bit of traveling as well. **Larry Potts**, chemistry, spent the past retirement year at the University of Minnesota where he participated in chemical research. His wife, Jill, continues her work in the Department of Education at Gustavus. **Al Splittgerber**, chemistry, and wife Pat make their home in St. Peter. **Richard Fuller**, physics, and wife Judy live in Falcon Heights, where both are active in community education projects.



From Anderson Social Science:

Verlin Carlson '57, psychology, and wife Kay make their home in St. Peter ■ **Ellis Jones '52**, economics management, and his wife, Janet (Hanson '54), live at Central Square Apartments in St. Peter. Ellis continues his work with the Minnesota Gymanfa Ganu Association, an organization dedicated to the Welsh tradition of song ■ **Clair McRostie '52**, economics and management, and wife Ursula live at Pine Pointe in St. Peter ■ **Ellely Peterson '49**, economics and management, and wife Carol make their home in St. Peter.

From Vickner-Confer Halls

Ann Brady, English, lives in Long Beach, NY ■ **Claude Brew**, English, and his wife, Sandy (Book Mark), make their home in St. Peter ■ **Claus Buechman**, English, and his wife, Margie (Book Mark), divide their time between St. Peter and New Mexico ■ **Larry Owen**, English, lives in Morris. Larry's wife, Kathleen, died in January 2009 at their winter home in Fort Worth, TX ■ **Greg Mason**, English, and his wife, Ruth, live in St. Paul. Greg received a Fulbright and taught this past year in Montenegro, Europe ■ **John Rezmerski**, English, and his wife, Lorna, live in Mankato. John has been part of several local tributes to Bill Holm '65, who died in March of this year; Larry Owen joined him in the Gustavus tribute ■ **Aaron Everett**, foreign languages, and his wife, Mary, divide their time between their home in St. Peter and Rio Rancho, NM ■ **Amado Lay**, foreign languages, and his wife, Miriam '86, are living in Aurora, CO ■ **Roger McKnight**, Scandinavian studies, and his wife, Barbara Zust (Mattson '76; nursing), live in St. Peter. Roger has just written and had published a new book, *Severed Ties and Silenced Voices: Separation and Social Adaptation in Two Swedish Immigrant Families*.

From Folke Bernadotte

Memorial Library: **Howard Cohrt**, library, and his wife, Tami, make their home in St. Peter. Howard resides at Pheasant's Ridge Care Center ■ **Guenter Esslinger**, library, lives in La Mesa, CA, where he volunteers as an ESL coach ■ **Michael Haeuser**, library, and his wife, Irene Morris, live in St. Peter.

From Old Main: Norman

Walbek, political science, lives in Morgantown, WV ■ **Don Ostrom**, political science, and his wife, Florence, live in Minneapolis. They attended the inauguration festivities in Washington, DC, in January ■ **Bernhard Erling '43**, religion, and

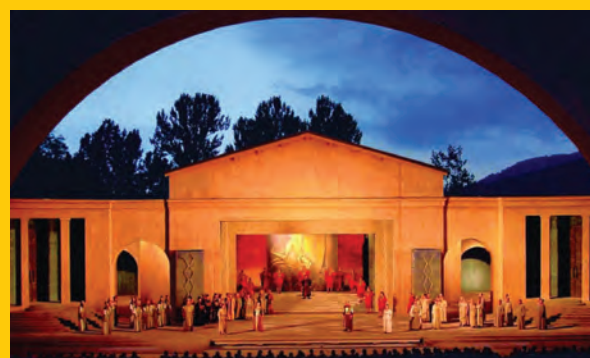
his wife, Marilyn, live in St. Peter, where they are regular attendees at the 10 a.m. service in Christ Chapel ■ **Conrad Hyers**, religion, and his wife, Gerry, live in Holiday, FL ■ **Clair Johnson**, religion, lives at The Wilds in St. Peter. He continues his interest in sports and celebrates 50 years of being a Gustie basketball fan ■ **Stewart Flory**, classics, and his wife, Ellie Paraskova '99, make their home in St. Peter ■ **Patricia Freiert**, classics, and her husband, Will (classics), make their home in St. Peter, where Patricia continues her artistry in fabrics.

From Schaefer Fine Arts

Center: **John Braun**, speech, and his wife, Mimi, divide their time between St. Peter and Naples, FL ■ **Rob Gardner**, theatre, and his wife, **Judy Gardner**, nursing, live in St. Peter. Rob has been active in Twin Cities theater productions and was named Best Actor in a Supporting Role for 2008 by *Lavender* magazine ■ **Bill Robertz '51**, speech, and his wife, Marilyn (Barnes '51), make their home in St. Peter ■ **Don Palmgren**, art, lives in St. Paul ■ **Paul Baumgartner**, music, and his wife, **Helen Baumgartner**, music, make their home in St. Peter, where they continue teaching piano and presenting concerts. Helen plays violin with the Mankato Symphony ■ **Ruth Giles**, music, and her husband, Tom, live in Mankato ■ **Mark Lammers**, music, and his wife, Caroline, live in Tucson, AZ. Mark is active as a trombonist and a researcher in the field of music and sound ■ **John McKay**, music, and his wife, Sara, live in St. Peter. In 2008 John presented a concert tour featuring the world premiere of *The Six Wives of Henry VIII* ■ **Phil Knautz '48**, music, lives in Colby, WI.

From Lund Center for Physical

Education: **Nancy Baker '56**, physical education, and her husband, Richard, make their home at Baker's Bay on Lake Washington ■ **Vic Gustafson '42**, physical education, lives at Heritage Meadows in St. Peter ■ **Gretchen Koehler**, physical education, lives in St. Peter. Gretchen established a meditation center in Linnaeus Arboretum ■ **Dennis Raarup '58**, physical education, and his wife, Sharon, make their home in Littleton, CO. In March Dennis was honored by the Colorado High School Activities Association as a "High School Hero" for his dedication, devotion, leadership, and continued efforts to make schools, athletics, and communities stronger and better ■ **Don Roberts '56**, physical education, and his wife, Nancy (Lea



President Ohle to host Oberammergau Passion Play trip

Gustavus President Jack R. and Kris Ohle and Pastor Eric Gustavson '66 will lead a 10-day Alpine European tour to Austria, Italy, Switzerland, and Germany, June 21–30, 2010. The itinerary includes visits to Munich, Salzburg, Innsbruck, Island of Mainau, Lucerne, and the Oberammergau Passion Play. For a full itinerary and tour brochure, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 800-487-8437.



Erratum

We reported in the summer 2009 issue of the Quarterly a baby, Joseph, born to Megan Shorma Arnold '01 and Scott Arnold '00 on April 2, 2008. That was close but not correct. Megan's husband is indeed Scott Arnold, but not Scott P. Arnold '00. Meanwhile, Gustavus grad Scott Arnold and his wife, Rosa Glade Arnold '99, have their own baby to report: Leo, born on April 10, 2009.

'56), live in St. Peter ■ **Myer "Whitey" Skoog**, physical education, lives at Heritage Meadows in St. Peter. The University of Minnesota honored him recently by retiring his basketball jersey ■ **Gary Reinholtz**, athletic training, and **Brenda Larson Reinholtz '69**, physical education, divide their time between homes in St. Peter and Florida.

From Mattson Hall: **Ron Green**, education, and his wife, Donna, live in St. Peter. Ron joins Ellis Jones in the activities and promotion of the Minnesota Gymanfu Ganu Association, an organization emphasizing the Welsh tradition of choral

music ■ **Al Pearson '65**, education, and his wife, Mary Ellen, live in St. Peter and spend time at their Wisconsin lake home ■ **Jane Coleman**, nursing, lives in Waseca, where she co-owns "Healing Hands Wellness Group." Her website is www.wasecahhw.com ■ **Ruth Dannehl**, nursing, lives in St. Paul, and has been volunteering at nearby public and parochial schools. She also works with international students in a community college nursing program ■ **Hazel Johnson**, nursing, lives in St. Anthony ■ **Sally Harding**, nursing, lives in Minneapolis.

ALUMNI AWARDS & CITATIONS

2009 Distinguished Alumni Citation

Evelyn Bonander '59, M.S.W., grew up in a parsonage in Braham, Minn., so the ethic of social work and the connection between faith and service to others were impressed upon her from an early age. She graduated from Gustavus Adolphus College with majors in sociology and anthropology and psychology and took her first job as an adoption caseworker for Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota.

In 1966 Evelyn received her master of social work degree with honors from the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. She would hold positions in St. Louis as a medical social worker for the neurosurgery service at Barnes Hospital and for the rehabilitation service at Washington University Medical Center until she was named director of social work at Barnes Hospital/WUMC in 1971.

Evelyn moved to Boston in 1985 to accept a position as fourth director of social services at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) and soon became the executive director, with accountability for the operations of social services, chaplaincy, and patient/family lodging. During her tenure at MGH for 19 years until her retirement in 2004, Evelyn promoted fundamental changes in practice and care delivery: she spearheaded a new clinical focus on



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Evelyn Bonander '59

Distinguished Alumni Citation – Evelyn Bonander '59

Wisdom, vision, and leadership

end-of-life care, wellness, and survivorship; and she pioneered social work's enhanced involvement in patient care delivery across the continuum.

Applying a healthy mix of wisdom, vision, and leadership, Evelyn has promoted new programs to serve vulnerable populations. The Coordinated Care Program brings a nurse and social worker together to coordinate care for frail elders in their homes. The HAVEN Program and the Child Protection Consultation Team provide services to victims of domestic violence and children at risk. The Cancer Resource Room is a valuable source of information

for oncology patients and families. The Family Connections/Kids Express Program provides resources to help families communicate when a parent is ill or injured. Affordable lodging programs enable patients and families to receive care at MGH. With her support and advocacy, MGH established an on-campus *masjid*, a place of prayer and worship for Muslim patients and staff.

For her work, Evelyn has been recognized with several prominent awards, including the Alumni Award from the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University; the Ida M. Cannon Award, the highest honor given by the Society for Social Work Leadership in Health Care; and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of Social Workers, presented in 2007, following her retirement.

In retirement Evelyn continues to be active in her church, in politics, and in her community. She truly loves and cares for people—in her travels to many parts of the world she consistently talks about getting to know people. She loves to hear about people's lives. For her dedicated service to others, the Gustavus Alumni Association has honored her with a Distinguished Alumni Citation in the field of social work.



Tom Roster



William Green '72

Bill Green '72, J.D., Ph.D., a professor of history at Augsburg College in Minneapolis since 1991 who had served on the Minneapolis School Board for eight years, was named interim school superintendent in 2006 in the aftermath of the forced resignation of the previous superintendent, Thandiwe Peebles, who had been hired less than two years before. He quieted that tumult and moved quickly "into the fire," in the words of another board member, to seek out some of the district's harshest critics and assure them that their views would be heard. He brought in academic and financial specialists to help steer the district toward marshaling its dwindling budget behind best academic practices for reaching failing students. Longtime public school critics in the district were struck by his ability to listen and his unfailing student advocacy. When the board began to consider whether to conduct a national search for a permanent superintendent, they heard—loudly and clearly—from advisory groups of parents and community hearings that their best candidate was already on the job.

Bill, a native of New Orleans, La., had taken an academic path after graduating from Gustavus with a history major. He earned a master's degree in educational psychology and a Ph.D. in education from the University of Minnesota in 1976 and a juris doctorate from the University in 1989. Hired by Augsburg College in 1991, he has taught American legal history, the history of civil rights, Minnesota history, the history of African American religion, the

African American experience, and the history of African American education. He has written two books, including *A Peculiar Imbalance: The Fall and Rise of Racial Equality in Early Minnesota* (2007), and has contributed more than 30 articles to scholarly and popular press publications. He is also an adjunct professor at Saint John's University in Collegeville, Minn.

Bill joined the Minneapolis School Board in 1993 and was its chair in 1996, 1997, and 1998. He was named to the West Metropolitan Education Project Joint Powers Board in 1995 and the Metropolitan Learning Alliance Joint Powers Board in 1996, serving both until 2001. Gov. Tim Pawlenty appointed him to his Task Force on School Finance Reform in 2003.

On Feb. 13, 2007, the Minneapolis School Board unanimously awarded Bill the post of Minneapolis school superintendent after he received an overwhelming show of public support. Bill assumed the job officially at a time when the district had shrunk to its smallest enrollment in more than 20 years—partly due to district students moving to charter

Distinguished Alumni Citation – William Green '72

A dedicated listener

and suburban schools. The district had shown some progress in narrowing its racial achievement gap, but the mandate has been to accelerate that pace to avoid further enrollment losses.

In July 2009, Bill announced that he will step down at the of the 2009-10 school year and return to his "two first loves: teaching and writing."

Bill's priorities were to build and repair relationships in the community and in the district, to establish a realistic strategic plan for the district's future, and to focus attention on student achievement. He has been widely applauded—by immigrant populations, parents, teachers, and the media—for his outreach and work done with groups such as the Hmong Thai settling in northwest Minneapolis, who now have a K-8 Hmong magnet school enrolling more than 350 students. And the Gustavus Alumni Association applauds him with a Distinguished Alumni Citation in education.

ALUMNI AWARDS & CITATIONS

2009 Distinguished Alumni Citation

Through his vision and innovation, **Ray Norling '56** has had a significant impact on the turkey industry in Minnesota, the nation, and the world for several decades—and the ongoing research and development being conducted by Life-Science Innovations (LSI), the umbrella organization he formed to provide leadership, coordination, and capital resources for his poultry operation and nine other affiliated Willmar-area agribusinesses, promises to continue making significant advances for years to come.

A year after graduating from Gustavus, Ray was already involved in his family's business with the Norling Silo Company in Willmar, Minn. In 1958 he moved to Willmar Poultry Company (WPC), which his father had helped to found in 1945. As the company diversified and expanded to include 18 subsidiary businesses, including Farm Service Elevator Co. and Midwest Data, Inc., Ray took on more responsibility, becoming plant manager and vice president, then executive vice president, and ultimately president. Today WPC and its affiliates in LSI employ more than 1,200 people in Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, and Virginia and produce and market 30 million day-old turkey poults yearly. In 1999 WPC hatched its 1 billionth egg!

In 1983 WPC partnered with an independent entrepreneur to form Nova-Tech Engineering, which would develop automation and robotic systems that



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Ray Norling '56

Distinguished Alumni Citation – Ray Norling '56

When a turkey is not a turkey

are leased to turkey, chicken, and duck hatchery customers in North America, Europe, and Asia. In 1986 Ray's company began the research process to develop proprietary vaccine technology and five years later successfully introduced an SRP (siderophore receptors and porins) vaccine to its breeder operation. By 2002 a separate affiliate, Epitopix, had been formed to consolidate vaccine R&D and development of SRP technology into a distinct company, and within two years it had estab-

lished a USDA-licensed vaccine production facility and had developed its first proprietary licensed veterinary vaccine for non-poultry species. Recently, Epitopix received a \$3.4 million award from the federal government to do exploratory research on vaccines for anthrax in humans.

After partnering with a second developer to spin off Ag Forte, an advanced genetics and hatchery operation, Ray had the vision and insight to form Life-Science Innovations in 2005 to provide strategic guidance and administrative support for what had grown to be 10 affiliated biotech, engineering, genetics, and agricultural industries. LSI teamed with Nova-Tech to purchase a 37-building, 110-acre, former state hospital campus for all their affiliates, establishing MinnWest Technology Campus in Willmar. The innovative arrangement promotes cross-company collaboration and broadens the base of the companies in the various industries, making recruiting easier.

In 2007 Ray, now "semi-retired," and his longtime business partner, Ted Huizinga, were recognized by the National Turkey Federation with the NTF Lifetime Achievement Award for their dedication to innovation in turkey production. And the Gustavus Alumni Association also honors Ray, with a Distinguished Alumni Citation in the field of business.

Homecoming & Family Weekend 2009

Prospective Gustie in Your Family?

Encourage your high-school-age child or grandchild to stop by the Admission Office on Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or on Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon during Homecoming and Family Weekend to receive a FREE Gustavus T-shirt.

Friday, October 9

- 12 p.m. **Class of '69 Golf Outing** – Shoreland Country Club
- 5:30 p.m. **Class of '69 Dinner** – Shoreland Country Club, St. Peter
- 6 p.m. **Commission Gustavus 150 Dinner** – Evelyn Young Dining Room
- 6:30 p.m. **Class of '94 Dinner** – Stella's, Minneapolis
- 7 p.m. **Class of '84 Party** – Richard's Pub, St. Peter
- 7 p.m. **Class of '04 Party** – Kieran's Irish Pub, Minneapolis
- 7 p.m. **Weekend Movie: Up** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 7:30 p.m. **Class of '99 Dinner** – W Minneapolis (The Foshay)
- 8 p.m. **Homecoming Coronation and Variety Show** – Alumni Hall
- 10 p.m. **Weekend Movie: Up** – Wallenberg Auditorium

Saturday, October 10

- 9 a.m. **Homecoming Fun Run** – starts at 3 Flags
- 9 a.m. **Granlund Sculpture Tour** – meet outside Christ Chapel
A Minnesota native, World War II veteran, and 1952 graduate of Gustavus Adolphus College, Paul T. Granlund (1925–2003) was sculptor-in-residence at the College from 1971 through 1996.
- 9 a.m. **City Tour and Coffee Shop Stop** – 3 Flags
See some of the historic and new St. Peter hot spots.
- 9 a.m. **Seminar: Planning Ahead for a Semester Abroad** – Heritage Banquet Room, Jackson Campus Center
Studying abroad during college provides amazing growth and opportunity. Come learn more about how to support a student looking to study abroad.
- 10 a.m. **Morning Praise** – Christ Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. **Seminar: History of Gustavus and Building a Greater Gustavus Tornado Video** – St. Peter Banquet Room, Jackson Campus Center
- 10:30 a.m. **Seminar: Parenting Successful College Students** – Heritage Banquet Room, Jackson Campus Center
Talk with Gustavus faculty and staff about the academic and personal development of college students and how best to support them.
- 10:30 a.m. **Linnaeus Arboretum Fall Fest** – Lind Interpretive Center (through 3 p.m.)
Discover the Arboretum with guided tours led by a Gustavus naturalist at 11 a.m., noon, 1 p.m., and 2 p.m. Stop by the tree care and master gardener booths to visit with experts, and find out how you can become a Friend of Linnaeus Arboretum.

- 11 a.m. **Tents for Classes of '69, '74, '79, '84, '89, '94, '99, and '04** – east of Hollingsworth Field
- 11 a.m. **Concert: Sun Dogs** – near tents east of Hollingsworth Field
- 11 a.m. **Alumni Picnic Lunch** – pre-ordered bag lunches available by Hollingsworth Field
- 11:30 a.m. **Homecoming Carnival Lunch** – Evelyn Young Dining Room
- 11:30 a.m. **Homecoming Parade** – Campus Drive, Pittman to Norelius
- 1 p.m. **Volleyball vs. Hamline University** – Gus Young Court, Lund Center
- 1:30 p.m. **Football vs. Pacific Lutheran University** – Hollingsworth Field
- 2 p.m. **Class of '69 Campus Tour** – starts at class's tent
- 3 p.m. **Weekend Movie: Up** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 3:30 p.m. **Fifth Quarter Postgame Event** – old football field
Celebrate with alums, students, families, and friends. Enjoy live music with the Rockin' Hollywoods. Grilled meats, salads, sides, 1919 Root Beer, and desserts will be available, as well as an inflatable obstacle course and other games.
- 4 p.m. **Volleyball vs. Northwestern College** – Gus Young Court, Lund Center
- 6:30 p.m. **Class of '84 Gathering** – Nelsons' Home, St. Peter
- 6:30 p.m. **Class of '79 Gathering** – Patrick's, St. Peter
- 7 p.m. **Class of '74 Reception** – Sheraton Bloomington
- 7 p.m. **Weekend Movie: Up** – Wallenberg Auditorium
- 7:30 p.m. **"Mind Games," with illusionist James David** – Alumni Hall
- 8 p.m. **Kurt Elling and the Laurence Hobgood Trio** – Jussi Björling Recital Hall
- 9 p.m. **Sky Watch** – Olin Observatory
Stop in to gaze into the starry sky with physics majors (weather permitting).
- 10 p.m. **Weekend Movie: Up** – Wallenberg Auditorium

Sunday, October 11

- 10 a.m. **Worship Service with Holy Communion** – Christ Chapel
Featuring the Choir of Christ Chapel, Christ Chapel Ringers, and Gustavus Philharmonic Orchestra.
- 11 a.m. **Ala Carte Jazz Brunch** – Evelyn Young Dining Room (through 12:30 p.m.)
Featuring the Adolphus Jazz Ensemble and Gustavus Jazz Lab Band.
- 1:00 p.m. **Dessert Reception and Presidential Address** – Jackson Campus Center Banquet Rooms
President Ohle will address Commission Gustavus 150 initiatives as well as the "State of the College" with Gustie families. This reception is a great opportunity for families to meet and converse with administration, staff, and First Term Seminar professors.
- 2:00 p.m. **Music Performances** – Christ Chapel
Featuring the Gustavus Choir, Gustavus Symphony Orchestra, Gustavus Wind Orchestra, Lucia Singers, and Vasa Wind Orchestra.

For more information and to register for events, go to gustavus.edu/alumni.



arts on campus

A FOCUS IN/ON project touching upon the hydrogeology of western Kansas will be presented by the Hillstrom Museum of Art in conjunction with the College's 2009 Nobel Conference, titled " H_2O : Uncertain Resource," which will consider the current state of world water resources. Dry Creek Bed, Kansas, a 1912 oil painting by Swedish-American artist Birger Sandzén (1871–1954), will be discussed in an essay co-written by Museum Director Donald Myers '83 and James Welsh, chair of the Department of Geology. Sandzén worked much of his career in central and western Kansas, and the Hillstrom painting is based on his exploration of Wild Horse Creek in Graham County, near where his wife's parents lived. The painting will be considered in the context of the artist's career in general as well as for insights it sheds on the geology of western Kansas, specifically the Ogallala Aquifer, one of the world's largest. The painting and the FOCUS IN/ON essay will be on view at the Museum's Nobel reception on Tuesday, October 6, 6–8 p.m.

