Gustavus Adolphus College
November 2004

Class of 1990

MESSAGE FROM YOUR CLASS AGENTS

For our “reunion tour” class letter (yes, it’s been a couple years…OK, maybe a few years), we decided to get right into the meat and potatoes of the matter:

GUSTAVUS NEEDS YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

Did you know that REGARDLESS of whether you received any financial aid, part of the cost of your Gustavus education was supported by loyal alumni like us? The tuition cost for our freshman year was about $10,150, which was already reduced by gifts to the Gustavus Alumni Fund. Many of us (thankfully) received some form of aid against that cost. That aid was further supported by Alumni Fund gifts.

Our point here is this: many of us couldn’t have gone to Gustavus without the support of our fellow alumni. Likewise, many of today’s Gustie students (and prospective Gusties) couldn’t consider Gustavus without our help. The cost today’s freshmen are facing is $28,765 (still less than Carleton, Macalester and St. Olaf). It would be more without your support; it can be less with more of it.

Please, consider a gift of any size this year. We DO make a difference for today’s (and tomorrow’s) Gusties.

OK, on to the next big news:

It’s our 15-year reunion in 2005 (can you believe it?)! So, there’ll be another big shindig around Homecoming next fall. Watch your mail and future class letters for more information to come.

Finally, THANK YOU for sending your life change updates to Gustavus. We’ve been a little delinquent publishing them all, but who could keep up with all those new babies in the past couple years, anyway? But please, keep them coming. It’s how we all stay connected, and we’ll do our level best to get them published in class letters and the Quarterly so we can all stay in touch!

GO GUSTIES!

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MARRIAGES

Clark Eichelberger married Winona Fisher on 3/20/04.

MISC.

Amy Jackson on May 23, 2004 finished her first marathon.

Mike Muedeking completed graduate school at the University of Phoenix in educational counseling

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Christopher Moylan and his wife, Lauri, had a baby boy named Augustus James Moylan on 10/29/03.

Terri Ann Carlson Osland and her husband, Aaron, had a baby boy named Oliver Aaron Osland on 3/5/04

Carey Gleason and her husband, Ted, have had two children, the first is Annika Vaaler born 3/1/02 and the second is Henry Vaaler born 3/31/04.

Becki Keefe Zender and her husband, John, had a baby boy named Connor on 4/11/03.
Jerrad Fenske is the choirmaster and organist for St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Milwaukee, WI.

Stacy Pierce Larsen is the director of The River for First Presbyterian Church in Johnson City, TN.

Brian Gustafson is an investment manager for Carlson Investment Group.

Carey Gleason is a neuropsychologist/clinical researcher at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

According to the Gustavus website, Gustavus doesn't know where these people are. If you know where they are please e-mail Gustavus at alumni@gustavus.edu, it's easier than putting their face on a milk carton.

Shelley Banicki Beaumont
Jeff T. Christ
Peter B. Eaton
Paul C. Gilbertson
Kai M. Gutzeit
Lauri Hoff
Alyce Knaak
Debra Tate Kvaal
Raju K. Mahtani
Lisa A. Myhre
Zbigniew M. Perlinski
Susanne E. Persson
Dean A. Schultz
Richard C. Thibodeau

LOST ALUMNI
information if you would like other Gusties to be your customers.

**Athletics Hall of Fame**
The Gustavus Adolphus College Athletics Department has chosen eight individuals for induction into its Athletics Hall of Fame. The 2004 inductees include Lori Allen ’88 (golf), Jim Chalin ’76 (basketball), Bruce Edwards ’77 (ice hockey), Barb Jaeger ’88 (soccer), Dean Kraus ’89 (football), Pachi Lopez ’71 (soccer), Greg Peterson ’88 (golf), and Gary Reinholtz (long-time athletic trainer, benefactor). This group was honored at the Athletics Hall of Fame Banquet, which was Saturday, October 16.

**Extraordinary Place**
Gustavus is once again ranked among the top 100 liberal arts colleges in the nation in U.S. News and World Report’s annual college rankings. Gustavus is one of five Minnesota colleges in the top 100 national liberal arts colleges for overall quality (Carleton, Macalester, St. Olaf, Gustavus, St. John’s). The ranking groups schools into categories based on a national educational classification that includes national liberal arts colleges, national doctoral universities (University of Minnesota, St. Thomas), regional master's degree-granting universities (Hamline, St. Catherine’s, Bethel, Augsburg), and comprehensive regional colleges (Concordia-St Paul).

**Upcoming Events**
Christmas in Christ Chapel:
“Seasons of Promise”
– December 3-5
St. Lucia Festival
– December 9
Class of 1954 and 50 Year Club Reunion – May 27-28


This wedding photo, as you can tell by the date, was submitted some time ago. We apologize for not getting it in a letter sooner.

Wedding photo taken May 1, 1999 at the marriage of **Kris Pinomake** and Neil Kulvesky. Left to right: Julie Pinomake Pfarr ’86, Natia Nelson ’91, Trish Zimmerman Beckman ’89, Kris Pinomake Kulvesky ’90, Liz Scheer ’89, **Margaret Anderson Kelliher**, and Chris Beckman ’88.
And finally, we just received this notice from Tom ’89 and Cheryl (Burman ’89) Harjes, who have an important message that they would like to share with us about Jon ’89 and Joanne (Gulstrand) Harmsen:

Hi to everyone at Gustavus,

I am sending this message to tell you about what has been going on with Jon and Joanne (Gulstrand) Harmsen (classes of ’89 and ’90). Any questions can be directed to me at this email address: tharjes@mn.rr.com, or by phone (952-829-4647).

On September 18, 2004, Jon and Joanne were in a very serious motorcycle accident and were both airlifted to the Mayo Clinic. Both were in intensive care for a long time, Jon remains in the hospital. Both broke multiple bones in their bodies and have had many reconstructive surgeries. Joanne suffered a broken back but is out of the hospital and will be readmitted for rehabilitation when her injuries have healed sufficiently.

This past weekend (Nov. 6) a benefit dinner/dance/silent auction was held in Faribault in Jon and Joanne’s honor. It was very well attended and the attached picture was taken at that benefit. All of the women in the photo are good friends and all are former members of the Gustavus Swim team, as well as the same sorority. In the back row from left to right are: myself (Cheryl Burman Harjes ’89) and Teri Twa Reuvers ’97, in front are Jennifer Reed Murphy ’87, Joanne Gulstrand Harmsen and Paula Sammon Wright.

A web site has been set up to keep everyone updated on Jon and Joanne’s condition (caringbridge.org/mn/jjharm). A benefit account has also been set up if any one cares to make a donation to help them with expenses related to the accident. That account is as follows:

Jon & Joanne Harmsen Benefit Account  
c/o State Bank of Faribault  
428 Central Ave. N.  
Faribault, MN 55021

I hope you will pray for a full recovery for these wonderful friends of so many people. Thanks.