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From the President

Engaging the world

Visitors to campus sometimes have an idea about this place. They see our small-town setting, the impressive view of the Minnesota River Valley, the beautiful gardens and well-maintained buildings, and they imagine the possibility of a slower, saner, more harmonious mode of living.

The people who inhabit the campus convey the same impression. Visitors to campus discover engaged faculty and students who are serious about their teaching and learning. They encounter smiling greetings on the sidewalks, the daily pause for chapel, the sounds of first-rate music wafting from the fine arts building, winning athletic teams practicing in the forum and on athletic fields, and bulletin boards filled with announcements of fascinating lectures, meetings, and social events. Gustavus can seem like a place whose main virtue is that it is so different from the rest of the world. It’s easy to imagine that Gustavus is an extraordinary place because it preserves a mode of living that seems to have been lost almost everywhere else.

This idyllic perspective misses something important about what sort of place this is. There is no trend, issue, debate, problem, or conundrum that I read about in the newspaper that doesn’t also show up in some form in our campus life. What makes Gustavus an extraordinary place is not its separation from the world and its challenges, but the way we engage the world and our reasons for not hiding from it. Let me give you two examples of what I mean.

Recently in chapel, we celebrated the presence and contributions of our international students here at Gustavus. I was touched by the procession of many of these students carrying the flags of their countries, from Vietnam, China, India, Israel, Morocco, Ghana, Somalia, Sweden, Spain, Bolivia, and others. We know that our educational programs are enriched and challenged by those who come to study here from other countries and cultures. We also know that our students studying abroad will return from their time away with a keener understanding of the world they will serve and lead. The time in chapel was a very engaging reminder of what we gain from the diversity of places, people, and cultures present here. We need more of this on our campus.

Leaving the chapel, I felt the energy of political diversity here on campus. At this writing, elections around the nation have just been concluded and pundits of all sorts are lamenting the state of political debate in our country. Our students actively campaigned for Republican, Democratic, and Independent candidates. Many candidates, from a multitude of political persuasions, have been on campus. The conflict in political viewpoints is played out here as in the rest of the world, but we have the resources and commitment to ask how this debate can be expressed in civil discourse and in student commitment to action. We need more of this too.

We are keenly aware that there are emotionally charged issues facing our society on all fronts. Whether these issues revolve around faith or sexuality or the environment or more, it is our responsibility to create and nurture a community where respectful discourse and dialog can occur with all sides of an issue being given a voice. While many of these issues can be explosively divisive, our mission as an educational institution directs us to conduct our consideration of these issues in ways that ensure that understanding, new awareness, and toleration prevail. This, too, is something of which we need more.

While there are any number of examples of how our commitment to discussion and debate is evident throughout the campus and a tremendous value to our world at large, let me use religion to make my point. While our Lutheran traditions continue to ground religious life here on campus, those traditions also welcome students from other faiths, further informing and enriching our own understandings and lives of faith.

Gustavus continues to stand strong as an ELCA-related college and a little over half of the student body are Lutherans. But our students also now come from many denominations and faith traditions. And, yes, there is a growing diversity of traditions among our Lutheran students too. Inter-religious conflict is one of the world’s deepest wounds, but our college has the resources to ensure that the voice of the Church remains clear and respectful and to assist other traditions in joining the conversation about how to listen effectively to each other. In this era of terrorism and significant schisms in faiths around the world, never has it been more vital that we send graduates out in the world with a broad understanding of multiple global perspectives. And we need more of this.

Every day, the people who make up this college bring with them their different interests, economic and social statuses, cultural heritages, and faith traditions. Together, we try to figure out what it means to address these as part of a residential, church-related, liberal arts college. Sometimes our differences are in direct conflict. For example, some of us will go hunting next week, and some of us will be appalled at that. More often, the differences simply reflect the diversity of our gifts and interests. Some people will make music; some will play soccer or extreme Frisbee; some will read for pure pleasure; and some will watch television. But all will be studying at some point, and it is our quest for understanding, our capacity for wonder, and our vision for a transformed world that motivates our inquiry, our teaching and our learning.

We seek to create an extraordinary learning environment as varied, as interesting, as dynamic and challenging as the world our students will enter when they leave this hill. We’ll struggle with how to do that in the very best way we know how. We cannot do less for our students, for the church, and for society. We appreciate your participation in the conversation.

James L. Peterson ’64
President
Theoretical physicist Sylvester James Gates Jr., a string theory expert from the University of Maryland who was one of the featured speakers at the 2005 Nobel Conference, will return to the campus this spring as the Drs. Robert E. and Susan T. Rydell Professor at Gustavus Adolphus College. During his residency of two- and three-day visits between February and April 2007, culminating in a seven-day stay in early May, he will present public lectures, visit with classes and informal groups, and team up with Professor Steve Mellema to teach a special-topics course in physics intended for non-majors and titled “Superstring Theory/M-Theory: The DNA of Reality?”

Gates, who earned undergraduate degrees and a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is the John S. Toll Professor of Physics at the University of Maryland, College Park—the first African American to hold an endowed chair in physics at a major American research university. His research is in the areas of the mathematical and theoretical physics of supersymmetric particles, fields, and “strings,” covering topics such as the physics of quarks, leptons, gravity, super and heterotic strings, and unified field theories of the type first envisioned by Albert Einstein. The Washington Academy of Sciences named him as its 1999 College Science Teacher of the Year, and he was chosen as the first recipient of the American Physical Society’s Bouchet Award.

The Rydell Professorship at Gustavus Adolphus College is a scholar-in-residence program designed to bring Nobel laureates, Nobel Conference presenters, and similarly distinguished scholars and scientists to the campus as catalysts for enhanced learning and teaching. It was established in 1993 by Drs. Robert and Susan Rydell of Minnetonka, Minn., “to give students the opportunity to learn from and interact with leading scholars.” Gates is the tenth scholar to be in residence at Gustavus as a Rydell Professor.
Author David Horowitz visits campus

by Jonathan Kraatz

“Yo can’t get a good education if they’re only telling you half the story!” was the overriding theme brought to Gustavus by popular author David Horowitz. Once a member of the radical left, Horowitz now travels the country speaking out against liberalism in America’s universities and has made many appearances on national television as a political commentator.

A crowd of more than 400 listened as Horowitz related numerous stories of gross bias by instructors at various, generally unnamed institutions across the country. He encouraged students to defend their freedom to get a professional education—one guided by the “disinterested (i.e., unbiased) pursuit of knowledge” and “view-point neutral classrooms.”

Horowitz aimed many of his comments at faculty, admonishing them that two or more sides of any given issue are necessary to make informed decisions and that the classroom is not the place for political rhetoric.

“There is nothing in being a liberal—or even a Marxist—to prevent someone from being a good professor,” Horowitz said. “Teaching students how to think, not what to think is key.” He pointed out that all students should learn how to form valid arguments and how to support them, no matter the position they take or particular view that they hold.

“Conservative students often have to defend their positions,” he said. “They get tested, and they get smart.” He added that classrooms can often be a hostile place for conservative or religious students.

Horowitz also commented favorably on his discussion over dinner (prior to his talk) with students and administrators, most notably on the “intelligence of my opponents” and the fact that Dean of Students Hank Toutain and Interim Dean of the Faculty Mariangela Maguire took the time to meet with him—a rarity by his account of visits to many college campuses.

Horowitz has written several books and articles. His most recent book, *The Professors: The 101 Most Dangerous Academics in America*, has created controversy for criticizing individual professors for their blatant liberalism.

The Gustavus Student Senate, Campus Activities Board, and the Young America’s Foundation, a conservative student group, co-sponsored Horowitz’s visit to Gustavus.

Jonathan Kraatz is media relations manager at Gustavus and has been with the college relations staff since December 2003.

Voices on Campus—Fall 2006

A sampling of campus guests during the fall semester.

Dalton Conley, author of *Honky*, speaking on his experiences growing up as one of the few white boys in a largely Black and Puerto Rican neighborhood on Manhattan’s Lower East Side, Sept. 20; *Honky* was this year’s Gustavus Reading in Common book as well as the featured book for the Unity in Community – St. Peter Reads program.

Toby Jurovics, curator of photography at the Smithsonian American Art Museum, lecturing on “Landscape and Place in Contemporary Photography” in conjunction with the Hillstrom Museum of Art exhibition, Architecture of Silence: Cistercian Abbeys of France (photographs by David Heald), Sept. 24.

David Horowitz, author of *The Professors*, Sept. 26 (see article above).

Tom Drury, author of *The Driftless Area*, reading from his novel, Sept. 27, sponsored by the Gustavus Book Mark and endorsed by Unity in Community – St. Peter Reads.

Doreen Eschinger, Holocaust scholar, Sept. 28 (see article on p. 8).

Arnaldur Indridason, Icelandic crime-fiction author, discussing his work including *Jar City* and *Silence of the Grave*, two mysteries that have recently been translated into English, Oct. 2, sponsored by the
New roles for these administrators

Two administrative staff members are taking on new roles at the College as the Fall 2006 semester is underway. Virgil Jones, assistant director of admission and coordinator of multicultural recruitment since 2004, has been named director for diversity development and multicultural programs, reporting to Vice President for Student Affairs Hank Toutain. And, in the institutional advancement division, Teresa Harland ’94, who has been a director of gift planning since 2001, has been promoted to associate vice president for advancement reporting to Vice President for Institutional Advancement Brenda Moore.

Jones, a communications major at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, earned an M.A. in student affairs leadership from the University of St. Thomas in 2004 and was a graduate assistant in student life at St. Thomas before joining Gustavus. He will direct the Diversity Center, working with various multicultural groups including the Diversity Leadership Council, the Womyn’s Center, the Pan Afrikan Student Organization, the Asian Cultures Club, and Orgullo Latino Association, and collaborating with faculty and staff to improve the campus climate.

Harland started her career at Gustavus in the admission office as well, representing the College for five years as an admission counselor, assistant director, and associate director of admission successively and as international admission coordinator before joining the institutional advancement staff in 2001. She earned a master’s degree in counseling from Minnesota State University, Mankato, in 2005. In her new position, she directs alumni relations, the Gustavus Fund, and advancement services.

Department of Scandinavian Studies, the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library, and the Book Mark.

Luis Gilberto Murillo, former governor of the predominantly Afro-Colombian department of Chocó in Colombia and currently international policy analyst for Lutheran World Relief (LWR), speaking on “Hope for Development in the Crossfire: The Afro-Colombian Quest for Peace,” Oct. 10, sponsored by the Gustavus Peace Studies program and Sal y Luz, a partnership of three Colombian peace sanctuary churches, LWR, and six Midwest faith communities in Iowa, South Dakota, and Minnesota.

Paul Woodruff, philosophy professor at the University of Texas at Austin, speaking on “Education for Democracy: The Ancient Voices,” Oct. 12 and 13, sponsored by the Center for Vocational Reflection and the Departments of Classics, Political Science, Philosophy, and Theatre/Dance.

Lori Anne Ferrell of Claremont Graduate University, discussing her research on the ways in which the printing of the Bible in English has changed over time, particularly shaped by the changing culture of its audience, Oct. 16, sponsored by the Department of History and Curriculum II.

Kip Sullivan, author of The Health Care Mess: How We Got Into It and How We’ll Get Out of It, speaking about healthcare policy and the healthcare crisis in the United States, Oct. 18, sponsored by the Departments of Nursing, Scandinavian Studies, and Women’s Studies.

Hugh Q. Palmer, president of the American Refugee Committee and former president pro tem of the Texas State Senate, speaking on “Humanitarian Crisis in Darfur: Perspectives from the Field,” Oct. 26, the Raoul Wallenberg Memorial Lecture, sponsored by the Peace Studies program.

Mark Edmundson, Daniels Family Professor of English at the University of Virginia and author of Why Read?, discussing the vital role that reading plays in the making of good citizens, Nov. 1, the Lefler Lecture, hosted by the Department of English.

Victoria Barnett, Holocaust scholar, Nov. 7 and 8 (see article on p. 8).

Esther M. Sternberg, author of The Balance Within: The Science Connecting Health and Emotions, speaking on “How Stress Can Make You Sick and Believing Can Make You Well: The Science of the Mind-Body Connection,” Nov. 20, and “Brain-Immune Connections in Health and Disease,” Nov. 21, sponsored by the Departments of Biology and Chemistry (through a grant from the Merck Foundation), Nursing, and Psychology, along with the Center for Vocational Reflection, Counseling/Advising Center, Health Services, and Office of the Chaplains.
Holocaust scholars visit campus

The Campus Outreach Program of the U.S. Holocaust Museum’s Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies and Gustavus Adolphus College’s Bernhardson Chair in Lutheran Studies sponsored the visits of two Holocaust scholars to the campus during the fall semester.

Doreen Eschinger, a native of Stollberg, Germany, and a former international student at Gustavus (1999–2000), visited the campus on Sept. 28 to lecture on “The Holocaust in Hungary, Viewed through the Eyes of a Contemporary German.” A Ph.D. candidate in history at Humboldt University in Berlin, Eschinger is currently a Sosland Foundation Fellow at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. Her lecture was also sponsored by the Gustavus Lecture Series.

On Nov. 7 and 8, Victoria Barnett visited the campus to present a public lecture and to visit a number of First Term Seminar classes. A graduate of Indiana University and Union Theological Seminary, New York, Barnett is the author of numerous studies that document Christian responses to the Holocaust. Currently, she serves as the staff director for the Committee on Church Relations at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. Her visit was also supported by the religion and history departments and the FTS Program.

Complementing the scholars’ visits was a library exhibit, “Jews of the Luthertown Wittenberg in the Third Reich,” which told the story of 71 Jews living in the birthplace of the Reformation during the Holocaust through pictures and text. It was on loan from the Luther Centre in Wittenberg, Germany, from Aug. 11 until Oct. 15.

Orchestras plan regional tours

**Gustavus Wind Orchestra Itinerary**

1/26 Blue Earth Area Performing Arts Center, Blue Earth, Minn. – 7:30 p.m.
1/27 Incarnation Lutheran Church, North Oaks, Minn. – 7:30 p.m.
1/28 Duluth Central High School, Duluth, Minn. – 3 p.m.
1/29 Schauer Arts Center, Hartford, Wis. – 7:30 p.m.
1/30 St. Francis High School, Wheaton, Ill. – 7:30 p.m.
2/1 St. Luke Lutheran Church, Middleton, Wis. – 7:30 p.m.
2/2 St. John Lutheran Church, Owatonna, Minn. – 7:30 p.m.
2/3 Monticello High School, Monticello, Minn. – 7 p.m.
2/10 **Home Concert**, Christ Chapel – 3 p.m.

**String Orchestra Itinerary**

1/26 Fairmont Opera House, Fairmont, Minn. – 7:30 p.m.
1/27 Our Saviour’s Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Neb. – 7:30 p.m.
1/28 Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton, Kan. – 7:30 p.m.
1/29 North Platte Performing Arts Center, North Platte, Neb. – 7:30 p.m.
1/30 Calvary Lutheran Church, Scotts Bluff, Neb. – 7:30 p.m.
1/31 Calvary Lutheran Church, Rapid City, S.D. – 6:30 p.m.
2/2 Our Savor’s Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, S.D. – 7:30 p.m.
2/3 St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, Minn. – 5 p.m. worship service
2/3 St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, Minn. – 7:30 p.m.
2/11 **Home Concert**, Björling Recital Hall – 3:30 p.m.

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Employee service awards announced

Three members of the Gustavus community were singled out for their service to the College at ceremonies on Founders Day, Oct. 31, 2006.

Sandy Grochow, accounts payable coordinator in the Finance Office, was announced as the 2006 recipient of the Augusta Carlson Schultz Award, which is presented annually to a support staff employee who “exemplifies outstanding dedication and spirit of service.” She has been with the College since 1964.

Tami Linton Aune ’82, residential computing consultant with Gustavus Technology Services, received the 2006 Eric Norelius Award, given annually to an outstanding administrative employee. Aune, who started at the College in 1989, is now responsible for maintaining the Computer Helpline, supervising the student employees who staff it, and assisting in the planning, development, and deployment of computer services for the student community.

Barbara Kaiser, associate professor of mathematics and computer science, earned the 2006 Faculty Service Award in recognition of her work with College and community planning and advisory groups. Since joining the faculty in 1984 she has been active with the Faculty Senate, Curriculum Committee (chair in 1997–98), Personnel Committee, President’s Task Force on Diversity, and Strategic Planning Committee. She has also been involved with math advisory committees and activities in the St. Peter school system.

Sculpture honors founding member of GLA

On Monday, Sept. 11, a new campus sculpture installed inside the entrance to Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library was dedicated during ceremonies in the library. The piece, titled A Knowing Woman, was created by sculptor Gloria Tew, who studied with Gustavus sculptor-in-residence Paul Granlund ’52 in the early 1970s, and dedicated in memory of Fran Engelsma, wife of longtime trustee Lloyd Engelsma and one of the founding members of Gustavus Library Associates. It was commissioned from Tew, who was a close friend of Fran, and given to Gustavus Adolphus College by the Engelsmas’ children.

The sculpture Tew created depicts a woman who is reaching her hand out to people, inviting them to read and to learn. Higher education was very important to Fran Engelsma, although she was unable to attend herself, and she made sure her children would avail themselves of it. Then, in 1977, she had the opportunity to participate in the creation of Gustavus Library Associates. It was a perfect fit for Fran, who was already an avid reader and adult learner and an “honorary” Gustie (in fact, she was awarded an honorary bachelor’s degree by the College in 2001). She jumped at the opportunity, becoming a leader in the organization’s formative years and contributing to its many successes.

A Knowing Woman stands in the library as a tribute to Fran Engelsma’s commitment and contributions to college education for generations of students and to the organization she helped found.
Briefly . . .

Linnaeus turns 300, College celebrates

Gustavus Adolphus College will commemorate the tercentenary of the birth of Swedish botanist and explorer Carolus Linnaeus in 1707 with a series of events in 2007. One of the most internationally recognized Swedes of the 18th century, Linnaeus is most famous for his work in botany but also is well known for his writings in the fields of medicine and ethnography and for the work of his students, whom he sent around the world to gather specimens.

The first Linnaeus event at Gustavus will take place on December 14, 2006, at the annual Scandinavian Breakfast (see Calendar on page 13). In the spring, a full-semester course on Linnaeus will be offered, as well as continuing education presentations, a stunning photography exhibition, and the two-day Linnaeus Symposium on April 24–25 with featured guests including actor Hans Odöö, ethnobotanists Gary Nabhan and Paul Alan Cox, and forensics educator. The award was presented to him at the Pi Kappa Delta business meeting at the National Communication Association convention in San Antonio, Texas, in November.

Gustavus Adolphus College ranks sixth on a list of the “fittest” colleges in the nation compiled by Men’s Fitness magazine. Gustavus is the only Minnesota college on the list of 25 institutions noted in the magazine’s November issue. The ranking was based on data from the annual Princeton Review survey and included student opinions, as well as information on nutrition, health, and exercise participation and facilities.

Harry Williams, professor of African American history at Carleton College, keynoted the Pan African Student Organization’s “Our Story” Conference, held on Nov. 4. Williams addressed affirmative action, and workshops later in the day demonstrated the pressures and decisions relating to minority enrollment and affirmative action that college admissions officers face as they build an entering first-year class. The student-led “Our Story” Conference is an annual event at Gustavus Adolphus College that celebrates the rich heritage of the African diaspora by highlighting the struggles and triumphs of its people.

Two new pieces of art adorn Christ Chapel. An abstract mural made of hand-cut white clay tile has been installed on the facing of the choir loft of Christ Chapel. It was created by Lois Peterson, professor of art and art history, and student David Goldstein with support from a Presidential Student/Faculty Collaboration Grant. The second piece is a painting by William Bukowski, artist and professor at Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato, who created a figurative painting using medieval techniques.

The pieces are site specific and created to aid in people’s reflection in the space regardless of their beliefs, ideas, ages, etc. They were commissioned by the art history seminar taught by Linnea Wren, professor of art and art history, during the fall semester in 2005 in collaboration with the St. Peter Arts Center and the Gustavus Office of the Chaplains. Funding for the project came from the Trunnell family in support of art history activities, the Office of the Chaplains, and the Center for Vocational Reflection.

Gustavus joined an exclusive group of schools this fall when Steinway and Sons, makers of what most serious musicians consider the world’s best pianos, named the College an “All Steinway School.” Explaining the significance of
the recognition, David Fienen, chair of the Department of Music, says, “It means we have provided top quality instruments for our students for practice, for study, and for performance.” Only 66 colleges, universities, and conservatories around the world have made the list to date.

For a school to be considered for the Steinway designation, at least 90 percent of its pianos must be Steinways or of Steinway design. Gustavus has 35 Steinways and Bostons (a subsidiary of Steinway) and 4 other makes in its performance spaces and practice rooms. In early October, another Steinway was delivered and placed in the President’s House; it is a gift from Linda Bailey Keefe ’69, a member of the College’s board of trustees, and her husband, Fleming.

Standing around the Steinway performance piano in Jussi Björling Recital Hall are some piano students and music faculty members: from left, Ricky Fong ’10; Esther Wang, concert pianist and assistant professor of music; Mark LaVoie ’08; David Fienen, professor of organ and church music and department chair; Phil Sowden ’07; Erica Duin ’07; Becky Strobel ’09; and Yumiko Oshima-Ryan, concert pianist and associate professor of music.

Frank Barth, with Marge Barth, A Place Called Gustavus: The Protest Years (Minneapolis: Primarius, 2006; hardbound, $23.47)

Former Gustavus president Frank Barth, with an able assist from his wife, Marge, has published a book of anecdotes and reminiscences stemming from his time at the helm of the College (1969–1975). A Place Called Gustavus: The Protest Years is an informal look at the personalities and issues that shaped the College during the so-called “protest years” of the late ’60s and early ’70s and zeroes in on some of the core values of the school. Gusties from all generations—whether or not they were on campus during the “protest years”—will enjoy meeting for the first time, or reconnecting with, Frank and Marge Barth.

A Place Called Gustavus: The Protest Years is available from the Gustavus Book Mark (phone 800/847-9307, or log onto wwwbookmark.gustavus.edu and click on “General Books”).
Bruce McClain exhibits paintings

by Donald Myers ’83

The Hillstrom Museum of Art is featuring works by a long-time studio art faculty member in an exhibition titled Aerial Images: Artificial Horizons (Recent Paintings by Bruce McClain), on view from Nov. 20, 2006, through January 21, 2007. The exhibition consists of oil paintings resulting from McClain’s sabbatical leave during the 2005 spring semester.

McClain, who has taught at Gustavus since 1965 (and who is thus one of two faculty members with the longest current record of service to the College), made a trip to Paris as part of his sabbatical. During this trip, he visited the Normandy countryside, and he found that the rural landscape there was both familiar, because of its relationship to the Wisconsin farm on which he grew up, but also unfamiliar, because of its historical overtones from the many battles fought there. For the works in the exhibition, the artist combined several interests, including not only a fascination with landscape but also his knowledge of aircraft, to create a group of paintings based on photos taken through gun cameras of battle planes. In many of these works, the angles from the aircraft provide a skewed, diagonal horizon line that appealed to the artist for its sense of instability, and that seems to appropriately join the pastoral quality of the landscape with the tragic, dynamic quality of its bellicose history.
An example is the painting *Fields Bay*, in which a cloudy sky is backdrop to a village in the middle ground, while a road lined with sparse, semi-regularly-placed trees in the foreground creates a diagonal that separates the work’s lower left corner into a nearly isosceles triangle. There is a granular quality to the image that relates to the low-resolution photog-raphy used in gunner craft, and the rat-a-tat-tat rhythm of the trees visually calls to mind the reporting of an aerial machine gun.

It is fitting that airplane and flight imagery would make its way into McClain’s paintings. His first efforts during the sabbatical consisted of reworking two large paintings he had painted in the late 1960s, both of them abstracted images of aircraft, a subject that he has explored frequently in his art.

McClain’s superb color sense, his compositional expertise, his handling of his brush, the depth of feeling in his paintings—all these and many other aspects of his work demonstrate what an accomplished artist he is, truly a great treasure of the College. 

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

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**Gustavus Choir to tour Iberian Peninsula**

The Gustavus Choir, led by Director Gregory Aune, embarks on a 20-day international concert tour to the Iberian Peninsula on Jan. 11, 2007. This year’s international tour is a significant celebratory event of the Gustavus Choir’s 75th anniversary year. The tour will be complemented by a music and cultural arts course co-taught by Aune and Hayden Duncan, associate professor of Spanish.

This concert tour is the sixth international experience for the Gustavus Choir since the College established the opportunity for the lead music ensembles to travel outside the United States every four years. Past tours have included the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe, and Sweden (1987); Japan, China, and Hong Kong (1991); Eastern Europe and Sweden (1995); South Africa (1999); and Italy (2003). The Gustavus Choir has also toured in Sweden, Denmark, Norway, and Canada over its 75-year history.

**Tentative 2007 Itinerary**

1/11 Depart Twin Cities for Amsterdam connecting to Lisbon, Portugal
1/13 Tour Lisbon; evening concert
1/14 Participation in morning Mass in Lisbon
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1/22 Depart Malaga for Granada, Spain
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1/24 Depart Granada for Cordoba, Spain; tour Cordoba and the Mezquita
1/25 Depart Cordoba for Madrid, Spain
1/26 Tour Madrid and the Prado Museum; evening concert
1/27 Excursion to Toledo
1/28 Participation in morning Mass in Madrid
1/30 Depart Madrid for Amsterdam connecting to the Twin Cities
2/10 **Home Concert** in Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
December

On display through Jan. 21, 2007
Artist Series: Aerial Images: Artificial Horizons (Recent Paintings by Bruce McClain), 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.

1, 2, & 3
Christmas in Christ Chapel: “An American Odyssey,” Christ Chapel, 3:30 p.m (Dec. 2 & 3 only)

7
Festival of St. Lucia, Christ Chapel, 10 a.m. Lucia Luncheon sponsored by Gustavus Library Associates, featuring storyteller and children’s author Lise Lunge-Larsen, Alumni Hall, 11 a.m. Reservations required for luncheon; as the Quarterly goes to press, the luncheon is sold out.

8
Artist Series: Michael Johnson in Concert, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 8 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

9
Music: Vocal Jazz and Chamber Singers, Gregory Aune, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

10
Music: BRASSWORKS! Scott Moore, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

Music: St. Ansgar’s Chorus and Birgitta Singers, Gregory Aune and Travis Sletta, conductors, Christ Chapel, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

14
American Scandinavian Yuletide Breakfast: “From Skåne to Lappland—Travels through Sweden with Carolus Linnaeus,” a photographic and narrative journey by Anders Björling and Roland Thorstensson, Three Crowns Banquet Room, Jackson Campus Center, 8 a.m., an event of the Linnaeus tercentenary celebration at Gustavus (see box on p. 10). For reservations, contact Edi Thorstensson (507/933-7554).

February

5–March 4
Art Exhibition: Fatimah in America: An Installation by Hend Al-Mansour, 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: Feb. 12, 7–9 p.m.
8, 9, 10, & 11
Theatre: *The Cherry Orchard*, by Anton Chekhov, directed by Rob Gardner, featuring alumni actors, Anderson Theatre, 8 p.m. (Feb. 8 & 9) and 2 p.m. (Feb. 10 & 11). Special gala performance on Sat., Feb. 10, at 8 p.m. by invitation. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

Music: *Gustavus Wind Orchestra Home Concert*, Douglas Nimmo, conductor, Christ Chapel, 3 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

Music: *Gustavus Choir Home Concert*, Gregory Aune, conductor, Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

Music: *Gustavus String Orchestra Home Concert*, Warren Friesen, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

17 Conference: “Working for Change,” sponsored by the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs (HECUA) and its affiliate institutions for undergraduate students and HECUA alumni exploring callings and careers with a focus on social justice. For more information, contact the Career Center (507/933-7532).

19–April 22
Art Exhibition: *Don Palmgren: A Retrospective Exhibition*, 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: Mar. 19, 7–9 p.m.

March
9–10 Conference: “Building Bridges” Student-led Diversity Conference, “Is Democracy the Path for Peace?” Alumni Hall, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Open to the public without charge; for information and reservations, contact the Diversity Center (507/933-7449).

11 Dance: *To Touch, To Move, To Inspire: The Spring Dance Concert*, choreographed by Michele Rusinko and Maria Gomez-Tierney, Anderson Theatre, 2 p.m. Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

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

Additional schedules, information and updates

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

Above: A Katatura shebeen (bar); zebras at Etosha National Park; and students sing for the delegation at Hanganeni Primary School in Swapokmund, Namibia. In the background: Dune 7 in the Namib Desert.
It’s complicated, this country on the southwest coast of the vast African continent. A country slightly more than half the size of Alaska, Namibia has only .99 percent arable land in its hot, dry climate, and is bordered in the west by the Namib Desert, and on the east by the Kalahari Desert. Yet it shares more than 1,500 kilometers of coastline with the Atlantic Ocean. The literacy rate of Namibians is high, 84 percent over the age of 15 can read and write, yet 55 percent lives on only $2 each day, and 34 percent of the population lives on only $1 per day. The adult HIV/AIDS prevalence rate is 21.3 percent, yet water is potable right out of the taps, not only in its capital city, Windhoek, but throughout the nation.

Namibia’s natural resources are considerable; most are buried below the surface of the earth: gem-quality diamonds, copper, gold, lead, tin, lithium, cadmium, and zinc. At Rössing Uranium, for example, an open pit mine about 60 kilometers east of the coastal resort town of Swakopmund, excavation provides about 7.6 percent of the world’s uranium production. The mine is a delicate geopolitical partnership: the majority of shares in Rössing are owned by Rio Tinto, an international conglomerate headquartered in England and Australia, yet Iran owns a 15 percent stake in the company, and the government of Namibia only 3 percent of the shares. Namibia was the first country in the world to incorporate the protection of the environment into its constitution, and now 14 percent of land is protected. Still, it suffers from limited fresh water resources, desertification, wildlife poaching, and land degradation.

Namibia is 80–90 percent Christian, employs English as an official language, has a centuries-long history that is inseparable from the Western world, and, in the past year, has found itself in the news as a safe haven for...
Hollywood stars looking to escape the paparazzi. Yet it still often finds itself on the fringes of global consciousness. But not for 20 Gustavus faculty and staff, who traveled to Namibia for a two-week faculty development seminar as part of Gustavus’ Service Learning for Social Justice program.

The seminar offers faculty an opportunity to study the literature and theory of social justice, to implement this commitment and service-learning in their courses as a pedagogical strategy, and to reflect about the theory and practice of civic engagement for themselves and Gustavus students. Namibia was the fourth iteration of the program, previous groups of faculty having focused on social justice and human rights issues in Northern Ireland, Guatemala, and Cuba.

Michele Koomen, assistant professor of education, was one of those making the two-week commitment. She admits: “To be honest, there were times where I thought I tiptoed around the big issues with my students, always being concerned that they might ask me a really deep question that I was unable to answer. Now, I feel stronger and more confident to embrace social justice in a more thorough manner and across all of my classes . . . for me, this experience was pedagogy changing.”

Eric Dugdale, assistant professor of classics, concurs. “My experiences in Namibia have brought into sharper focus many themes that we explore in the study of the ancient world. I always have believed that the ancient world offers a safe ‘lab’ environment to explore modern issues, but I was surprised by how much contemporary issues can enhance my thinking about the ancient world.”

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The recent history of Namibia is marked by genocide, battles over identity and ethnicity, apartheid, nation-building after independence, and today, struggles and successes with reconciliation. Jade McClude, archivist at the Namibian National Archives, traces the colonialism of the country to 19th-century medical and scientific theories, such as those espoused by Francis Galton. The British scientist’s expedition to southern Africa in the 1820s mapped the land geographically and its people eugenically. The Germans entered the area in the late 19th century and, through a series of treaties, established boundaries that had no relation to the tribes that lived there, thus creating a colonial hierarchy of White, Black, and Colored in a state known then as South-West Africa.

This is a history that Noreen Buhmann, director of the Community Service Center at Gustavus, shared with her family. They “had no idea that Namibians suffered from eugenics and concentration camps some 20–30 years prior to the Holocaust,” she recounts. “Each member of my family simultaneously felt a connection, a shared humanity, a distant relationship with the Namibians.”

South Africa occupied this German colony during World War I and annexed the territory after World War II. In 1966, the South-West African People’s Organization (SWAPO), a Marxist guerrilla group, launched a war of independence for the area, which was then renamed Namibia. Not until 1988 did South Africa agree to end its administration in accordance with a United Nations peace plan for the entire region, which won Namibia its independence in 1990.

Independence, however, has not salved this historical trauma or eradicated racial or
economic injustices. “We characterize the independence of African countries as nominal,” Paschal Kyoore, associate professor of French, explains, “because the former colonial powers and other Western countries continue to control their economies, their politics, and even their social life in many ways.” As McClude says, “It’s just rubbish to say apartheid is over.”

During the decades prior to independence, apartheid separated different ethnic groups around the country in a divide-in-order-to-conquer strategy. Blacks were segregated into distinct living areas, were punished or jailed if they left this region, and were required to have a pass in order to travel across segregated borders. In Windhoek, Blacks were moved into an area called Katatura. Before apartheid’s end, they could only eat black bread or use brown sugar, as a psychological reinforcement of their disenfranchised status. Priscilla Briggs, assistant professor of art, relates that her home-stay host mother “talked about how her schooling was limited to training in ‘Home Economics’ as a discipline of servitude.” Prior to 1990, there was only one road in and out of Katatura, called Kaiser Wilhelm Strasse, and after 5 p.m. residents could not go into the downtown area. Not surprisingly, “Katatura” means “the place where we don’t want to settle.”

Today, Katatura is still divided by ethnic groups, and shanty towns of corrugated metal roofs and scrap lumber walls are springing up on the hills surrounding the

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city. Racial apartheid, still prevalent, is now joined with a recognition of economic “apartheid” that dictates people settle where they can afford to live. Apartheid as an urban planning issue is “stunning” in its complexity, Phil Voight, associate professor of communication studies, says, and its “lingering effects on housing and income segregation” are readily visible.

Considering that the unemployment rate in Namibia is 38 percent, there is perhaps no better place to understand such disparities than in the costs of everyday items. As an exercise to help Gustavus faculty and staff understand the “overwhelming economic apartheid that still exists,” as Briggs phrases it, we were sent on an economic quest in Katatura and asked to price basic staples, including a liter of milk and toilet paper, as well as luxury items such as a can of Coca-Cola. Visitors to Namibia often comment that “things are cheap,” considering the cost of items relative to the cost of the same goods at home. Yet in calculating not only the actual cost for Namibians, but also the number of hours or days that a Namibian would need to work in order to purchase such items, the real costs—economic and human—become apparent. A liter of milk costs $6.95 in Namibian, the equivalent of $1.07 U.S. Given average wages, a Namibian would need to work 2.3 hours to make the purchase. Toilet paper, about 33 cents U.S. per roll, costs $2.14 per roll in Namibia, the equivalent of 40 minutes of work. The can of Coca-Cola is $4.79 Namibian, about 74 cents in the U.S., and would require a Namibian to work 1.5 hours in order to afford it. If the buying power in the United States and Namibia were equal, such that a U.S. minimum wage earner had to work the same number of hours as the Namibian in order to purchase the same item, economic disparity comes into sharper focus. That liter of milk would cost the U.S. worker $13.16, the roll of toilet paper $3.90, and the can of Coke $9.02.

June Kloubec, associate professor of health and exercise science, noted these
economic realizations most acutely during her home-stay with a family in Katatura. The poverty appeared “grinding,” she explains, and detailed her stay with a family of one mother, two daughters, two grandchildren, and a lodger in a three-bedroom home. “I calculated that I make more money in one month than my host mother made in one year working full-time as a cleaner at the local hospital.” On the first night, Kloubec relates, “we had to go out and buy more electricity lest we run out.”

Yet the demeanor of Namibians is overwhelmingly positive. “Although there are a myriad number of challenges facing the everyday lives of Namibians,” Assistant Professor Aaron Banks, Kloubec’s colleague in health and exercise science, notes, “there is a spirit that is contagious.” It is evident in a remarkable woman who became known to us as Auntie Clara.

Auntie Clara was trained as a teacher, but quickly realized her community of Katatura, her country, and her own sense of self needed more from her. Despite having what she characterized as a “difficult childhood,” Auntie Clara has taken in neighborhood children who have no home, including one boy whom she characterizes as being “bruised inside.” With her own, her house now buzzes with the energy of 16 children. As a woman committed to education, she realized that too many children are prohibited from attending school because they lack the money to buy the required

“Professionally, the most significant experience for me was visiting several schools; there was so much obvious inequality in equipment and facilities (and therefore opportunities) among the Blacks, Whites, and Coloreds. I saw the familiar motivation and excitement that sport and physical activity bring to children, but not having basic needs fulfilled can affect physical aspects of children. I can share these experiences and insights with students and encourage them, as future teachers, to think critically about the diversity and background of their students.”

**Bonnie Reimann, assistant professor of health and exercise science**

“This experience reinforced my beliefs that it is important for our students to be exposed to diversity issues and global perspectives, to think about their relationship to the rest of the world. I will be able to bring a new first-hand international perspective to my discussions of diversity and global issues in classes and advising, but it also challenges me to think more about how I want to incorporate the insights from this experience into my life, both professionally and personally.”

**Alice Mann, assistant professor of English**

“This program has reinforced my belief in study abroad, particularly in developing nations. I was profoundly affected by what I experienced during our fortnight in Namibia, and I know that this experience could never be reproduced in the classroom alone.”

**Eric Dugdale, assistant professor of classics**

“There are several features of this program that I will incorporate directly into my courses. I will, for example, use the information and advice that I gleaned in Namibia to create a service-learning module for Gustavus’ India SJPD Program.”

**Phil Voight, associate professor of communication studies**

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uniforms. In order to help right this eco-
nomic disadvantage, Auntie Clara has set up
a business in her home that inexpensively
sews uniforms for children so they can af-
ford to continue in school. As Paula
Swiggum, associate professor of nursing,
describes, she was one of the many people
we met who “looked around, saw they had
little to nothing in terms of material wealth,
then looked around them again and saw
their neighbors suffering or wanting. They
became bigger than themselves in a selfless
desire to meet another’s needs.” For Auntie
Clara, Katatura, once known as “the place
where we don’t want to settle,” is now
“where the life is.” She stresses that
Katatura is now reached via Independence
Avenue. The real life,” she professes, “is here.”

“living with a
positive-thinking mind”

Jeni Gatsi-Mallet, Namibian representative
from the International Community of
Women Living with HIV/AIDS, has been
HIV-positive for 15 years. Initially, she
wanted to live long enough so that her
young children could take care of them-
seves. Assisted by accessible medical care,
she now wants to live to see her grandchil-
dren, although she is quick to point out a
further reason for her body’s ability to hold
HIV in check: “I am living,” she says with a
remarkable double entendre, “with a posi-
tive-thinking mind.”

This personal perseverance of Gatsi-
Mallet and Auntie Clara, their discovery of

At a weavers’ shop in Windhoek; all the weavers
are Black, but the woman who runs the shop is
a White German.
their own strength and their own abilities, and their conviction that one person can make a difference in the lives of neighbors and strangers prompted us all to consider the paradoxes of an often-difficult life tempered with the “positive thinking” minds of Namibians. “We saw people living in crude houses made of several pieces of sheet metal with no electricity or running water,” David Rudek, assistant professor of psychology, remembers, “while we walked past smiles on almost every child’s face. We saw images and heard stories of brutal colonization and were amazed by the willingness of the indigenous people to forgive their oppressors. We listened to municipal officers, organizational leaders, and citizens of the country who were brimming with confidence about the future of their young nation yet were forthright about their anxiety at the present social and economic dures.”

As is the case in so many sub-Saharan African countries, the pandemic of HIV/AIDS looms as a significant social problem for Namibia. Recent surveys have shown a decline in HIV/AIDS prevalence, although this does not necessarily mean there has been a decline in new infections, or that women, men, and children are finding ready medical care. Only 25 percent of eligible HIV patients are now under antiretroviral treatment. In 2004, 19.7 percent of pregnant women tested positive for HIV; by the year 2021, projections suggest that life expectancy will drop to 46 years old for people with AIDS, while those without AIDS are expected to live to 64. In 2001, studies showed 97,000 children were orphans or made vulnerable because of the pandemic. Projections for 2021 more than double that number to 250,000 children, a burden that will fall on family elders, social service agencies, and religious organiza-

the colonial photographs, and I will add these images to a lecture I give that analyses the Abu Ghraib prison photographs within the context of war photography and links those photographs to early 20th-century American postcard photographs of lynchings. These photographs all are a strong visual representation of a colonial mindset in which power and curiosity/oppression of the other can be related to both tourism in developing nations and the invasion of Iraq.”

Priscilla Briggs, assistant professor of art

“I teach a First Term Seminar titled “Managing People in the Public Sector.” The course focuses on public administration, more precisely human resource management. I always have wanted to incorporate material on other countries, particularly developing countries, and with the materials I collected while in Namibia, I will be able to do this. In my women’s studies course on African women writers, I’ll use my experiences to characterize the challenges of Namibia with the following statement: “It’s all about managing the clash between tradition and modernity.”

Paschal Kyoore, associate professor of French

“I teach a course on intercultural communication, and we spend time discussing colonialism and cultural imperialism. Much of this discussion, however, is very general in nature, and many students see colonialism as part of history, not part of the contemporary world. I’ll now be able to include a section that focuses on Namibia, covering the history as well as the current implications of colonialism where the white Germans live with the Black Africans. I want students to move beyond just understanding the concepts associated with colonialism to seeing the far-reaching effects of it, and a clear and current example of colonialism will help students better understand and interpret concepts.”

Patricia English, assistant professor of communication studies

“Because our pre-service teachers will be working with students who are less privileged than they are, I believe my experiences in Africa can help students to understand the interacting forces that create poverty inertia. While some of the issues of race may be very different here than in Namibia, the rural
tions, like the Shalom Centre outside Windhoek.

The Center empowers disenfranchised children to attend school by providing school fees and uniforms; teaches them computer skills, sex education, and hygiene; and offers them three meals each day. As Paschal Hakizimana, the pastor who founded the Center in 2002, matter-of-factly admits, “Everybody, every day, has challenges in life.” Although he confesses that he could not help those who were dying, “I could,” he continues, “help the next generation.” Such a commitment to serving orphans and vulnerable children is impressive, notes Florence Amamoto, associate professor of English, as was “his message of hope and support for them. But even more, the church service [we attended on Pentecost] was set up to be empowering as the children themselves ably led both the service and the music.”

We entered through rolled-up metal garage doors into a sanctuary made of concrete and stucco walls, a cement floor, and a corrugated metal roof. Directly outside behind the altar area was a pile of soccer shoes, all black except for one red pair, and a couple of pair of black pants hanging on a clothesline. Inside, the space was filled with children, the older ones on chairs, the youngest on a blanket in the front, and the air enlivened with a repeating melody played on an electric keyboard and guitars.

“I felt more of a spiritual presence among the children there,” Bonnie Reimann, assistant professor of health and exercise science, says, “than I have in most churches.” The text for the day was from Matthew 5, and the hymns ranged from “O Come, All Ye Faithful” to “When the Saints Go Marching In” to “Amazing Grace.” And although Hakizimana focused the sermon on the question “How big is God?” the boy and girl who led the service—with the spirit-filled call of “God is good” and the response of “All the time”—embodied the “positive-thinking minds” we saw so much in Namibia. “In this unpretentious place of worship,” Barb Zust, associate professor of nursing, says, “I felt utterly humbled by the children’s palpable hope and faith. As we were asked to reach out and hold hands with one another at the end of the service, I was profoundly moved by a feeling of universal closeness with the children, with the people of Namibia, and with my colleagues.”

“it’s simple, isn’t it, to do for others, rather than do for you”

We had scheduled a day for Gustavus faculty and staff to work with and learn from Namibians involved in two social service organizations—Hope Initiatives and Family Hope Sanctuary—so that someone from America can get to know a child of poverty we see in our region is the result of many of the same factors we saw in Namibia: people of color, newly found freedoms (immigrants), matters of access to knowledge and power, disease, and hunger. Through our NYSP and ChYLI programs I have seen school children who live in substandard housing, have little or no access to healthcare, and have adults in their life who have little or no education.”

John Clementson, chair of the Department of Education

“The particular experience that was most significant to me did not occur in Namibia but would not have occurred if I hadn’t been in this program. After the seminar, I was able to visit South Africa and spend time with a former student who has made her home in Cape Town and who has devoted herself to helping young people. She credits her Gustavus experience with giving her an intellectual perspective from which to interrogate her own status in this new environment, and that ability has been crucial as she works to bring together young people from the White, Colored, and Black communities. In talking with her, I was reminded that what we do at Gustavus and specifically what I do as a teacher matters to our students and is a tangible element of their later success.”

Mariangela Maguire, interim dean of the faculty and associate professor of communication studies
Okahandja Park,” as Patricia Sola, founder and director of Hope Initiatives, explained. But we had not planned on a polio outbreak while we were there—precisely where we were to go in the communities. Yet, the metaphorical nature of the disease suggested exactly what our time at these two organizations was to be: a way to understand the humanitarian paralysis that often grips us, a time filled with human-to-human contact, and an experience of humanness that was infectious.

Hope Initiatives was established in 2004 to respond to the difficulties experienced by people living in squatter settlements, especially the increasing numbers of orphans and vulnerable children, and people living with and affected by HIV/AIDS. The organization runs a soup kitchen and a youth literacy program, as well as the Ombili Bridging School, aimed at helping children who have had to drop out of school due to economic or social concerns to re-enter the government school system. Family Hope Sanctuary, begun in 2003, works to assist families infected and affected by HIV/AIDS and those who are in vulnerable situations by providing a psycho-social support group for people living with HIV/AIDS, a weekly soup kitchen for orphans and vulnerable children, a youth group to teach healthy living and positive choices, and a family craft center to teach life skills.

That both of these groups focus on supporting people affected with HIV/AIDS is not coincidental, and is more personal than just the high rate of infection in the country. After telling the story of her brother dying from AIDS, Patricia Sola told us she realized the necessity of providing a safe place for children to learn and grow. Sola returned from studying in England and started Hope Initiatives with £2,000 from her savings, operating from a tin shack during the first couple of years and beginning the soup kitchen with two pots. She worries now about sustaining the initiative, admitting, “It’s very hard to look in the faces of the people and say we’ll be here next year, but not knowing how we’ll be there.” Still, what motivates her is genuine: “It’s simple, isn’t it, to do for others, rather than do for you.”

For Patricia English, assistant professor of communication studies, the conversations with women served by Family Hope Sanctuary’s HIV/AIDS support group proved powerful. “I tried to imagine what their lives were like on a daily basis. I wondered at their resilience and discovered how much their faith in the group helps them continue on. I wondered what in the world I could teach them or how I can even begin to understand their situation.” Yet, as we all continue to learn, to come to understand the complexity of this country on the southwest coast of the vast African continent begins with a willingness to experience and imagine its importance in the global consciousness. And then? We follow the lead of Hope Initiatives’ founder, Patricia Sola. “The thing I found out,” she admits for herself and, perhaps, for these Gustavus faculty who now take these experiences into their classes and communities, “is that I couldn’t sit at a desk any longer.”

Associate professor of English Laura Behling has taught at Gustavus since 1999. She contributed a story on the unfolding AIDS crisis in Tanzania as a Mayday! Conference preview in the Spring 2006 issue of the Quarterly. Accompanying photographs were taken by Bonnie Reimann, assistant professor of health and exercise science, unless otherwise indicated. To see more of her Namibia photos online, go to www.umn.edu/bjsc/paper/ and click on “Slideshow” in the lower left column.

Zebras and springbok roam freely in Etosha National Park.
Editor's Note: Focus In/On is a recurring exhibit program of the Hillstrom Museum of Art in which the expertise of College community members across the curriculum is engaged for a collaborative, in-depth consideration of particular individual objects from the Hillstrom Collection. What follows is an abridgement of an essay centering on the Museum’s ink and wash drawing The Wanderer, by William Gropper (1897–1977), featured in the recent exhibition Highlights and Recent Acquisitions of the Hillstrom Museum of Art. For the full text of the essay, please visit the Hillstrom Museum pages on the College’s website.

William Gropper (1897–1977), according to his epitaph, was an artist “whose art was always on the side of man.” In the period leading up to and during World War II, Gropper, who worked both as a political cartoonist and as an artist who exhibited in the New York art scene, created many works that decried the actions of the Fascists. As with many Jewish artists, Gropper’s art before the war era did not particularly reflect an interest in his heritage. Gropper noted, “Hitler and fascism made me aware that I was a Jew. I think all intellectuals who were never concerned with their faith were thrown into an awareness by these atrocities.”

The Hillstrom Museum of Art’s drawing The Wanderer relates to the artist’s wartime-era experiences, as will be discussed below. In style, Gropper’s work is generally characterized by its directness and by a graphic strength that comes from his experience as a cartoonist. His art, however, is never merely propaganda without aesthetic concern; it is art first, with its social message made all the more effective for it being tied to artistically successful imagery. Art critic Ralph M. Pearson, writing in 1940 in Forum magazine, noted, “The most weighty reason for Gropper’s importance is that he does not forget art when he is an avenger or prophet. His propaganda is always art; his art is sometimes propaganda.”

The Wanderer is a powerful image that immediately grabs the viewer’s attention. Gropper reddened the figure’s eyes, reserving this intense color for only that purpose and for his signature in the lower right of the drawing. The forlorn state of the man is thereby emphasized and his status as a “wanderer” is indicated. (The reference is both to the antisemitic legend that Christ condemned a Jewish figure to restlessly wander the earth for being disrespectful on the way to the crucifixion, and, more importantly, to the dispossessed status of Jews since the conquests of the ancient Jewish kingdoms.) The plight of the Jews, both generally and during the War era, is depicted in the man’s body language, including the arthritic contortion of his hand and the disjointed form of his torso, as well as in his facial expression. The drawing’s subject and its intensity associate it with several works Gropper made in response to his post-war 1948 visit to the Jewish ghetto in Warsaw.

Earlier, on April 19, 1943, an astonishing event had taken place: Jews imprisoned in the Warsaw Ghetto rose up.
against their Nazi oppressors and staved off deportation to death camps for almost a month. This revolt was astonishing not because the Jews of Europe, marked for destruction by the Third Reich, had not resisted before—they had on many occasions—but because such resistance was truly a David and Goliath story.

When the Nazis invaded Poland on September 1, 1939, thereby initiating World War II, 30 percent of the population of Warsaw was Jewish. A year later, the Nazis established the Warsaw Ghetto by building a ten-foot wall around a 1.5-square-mile area of the city. Half a million Jews were then forced to leave their homes and live in crowded, unsanitary conditions. Each month, 5,000–6,000 ghetto inhabitants died of disease, hunger, hypothermia, and shootings.

In the summer of 1942, when the Holocaust was at its height, 300,000 Jews were deported from the ghetto to nearby Treblinka, a killing center. They were usually dead from gassing within a few hours of their arrival. Reports of these deaths leaked back to the ghetto and thus was founded the ZOB (Zydowska Organizacja Bojowa), or the Jewish Fighting Organization, a secret resistance force. In the spring of 1943, rumors of an impending deportation spread through the ghetto and the ZOB—755 fighters strong—immediately moved into action.

The ZOB recognized that the well-equipped Nazis would eventually overcome their resistance, but the motto of the ZOB was “All are ready to die as human beings.” They had agreed that a death on their own terms, demonstrating the courage of the imprisoned Jews, was preferable to a Nazi-engineered extermination. For almost a month, starting on April 19, 1943, the resistance held out and succeeded in killing several Nazis. However, on May 16, the revolt came to an end. Nazi officer Jurgen Stroop had commanded that the Great Synagogue of Warsaw be torched and that the ghetto be systematically burned down. Many members of the ZOB died in the ensuing fighting and fires; others were captured and sent to Treblinka to their deaths.

Five years later, Jewish American artist William Gropper visited the site of the Warsaw Ghetto. He had already published a pamphlet on the Nazi atrocities at the small Czech town of Lidice: after high-ranking Nazi Reinhard Heydrich was ambushed on the road near Prague in May, 1942, the Nazis shot all the men in the nearby town of Lidice, burned the entire town to the ground, and deported the women and children to Ravensbruck and other German concentration camps. Gropper also created the illustrations for a small 1946 book titled Never to Forget: The Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto, in collaboration with author Howard Fast. Now, standing in the ruins of the Warsaw Ghetto, Gropper was face to face with both Jewish heroism and Nazi inhumanity.

Gropper made a pledge that each year he would draw or paint a memorial to the victims of the Warsaw ghetto. The Wanderer from the Hillstrom Collection is likely one of that series. It is comparable to several other works by Gropper, all of Jewish men garbed in traditional prayer shawls, and it shares with those works the despondency that is read on the man’s face.

Why is it important to know about the history of this painting? We live in an age of genocide. The twentieth century was the bloodiest in human history. By one estimate, 170 million people were killed in genocidal slaughter, most often by their own governments. The deaths began in the first decades of the century with the Herero tribe in Namibia at the hands of the German colonizers and the Armenians at the hands of the Turks. It continued through the Holocaust, the Cambodian genocide, and the Rwandan genocide in 1994, when 800,000 Tutsis and moderate Hutus were hacked to death with machetes by government-sponsored Hutus in three months’ time, a more efficient rate of killing than the Nazis despite the primitive weapons used. Today, government-funded Janjaweed militia continue to kill innocent Sudanese in Darfur, despite a recent effort to sign a peace agreement; more than 400,000 Darfurians have been killed and 2.5 million have been displaced.

In the aftermath of such genocides, the societies involved must come to terms with what happened, with the fact that killers continue to live among them, with the memories that haunt the victims who survived and the relatives of victims who died, with the urgent need to prevent a recurrence of genocide. In the post-Holocaust era in Germany, the Germans actually created a specific word to name this process of coming to terms with the past: vergangenheitsbewältigung. Such a coming to terms involves many things: legal procedures in an effort to see that the killers are brought to justice; a transition in national leadership; a process whereby restitution of some kind is made available to survivors; the creation of memorials to assure the memory of the dead. A critical part of this process is artistic production: literature, music, and visual arts that memorialize those lost, that help a community to try to understand how such a genocide could have occurred, and that serve as a warning of “Never Again.”

William Gropper clearly understood the power of creating a memorial to those who died in the Warsaw Ghetto. By interpreting this painting in the Hillstrom Collection, we as a community acknowledge the history of the Holocaust, the oppression of Jews during the past 2,000 years, and the contribution made by William Gropper to memorialization. We also highlight the ability of visual art to capture mourning and rage, to make a political statement, and to help humanity both come to terms with the past and endeavor to prevent such suffering and cruelty from reoccurring.

One can imagine that Gropper hoped viewers of this image would remember that the Nazis annihilated two-thirds of Europe’s Jewish population while the world stood by. Audiences in 2006 would appropriately recognize in The Wanderer their own responsibility to be aware of social injustice around the globe and to take what steps they can to eradicate it.

Elizabeth Baer, professor of English, and Donald Myers ’83, director of the Hillstrom Museum of Art, collaborated in the writing of this essay. The full text may be found on the Gustavus website, at www.gustavus.edu/encampus/finearts/hillstrom/collection.html.
Nine standout Gustie athletes were selected this year for induction into the Gustavus Athletics Hall of Fame and honored at the Athletics Hall of Fame banquet on September 30. The 2006 inductees are Dick Kumlin ’55 (basketball; elected posthumously), John Jambeck ’62 (swimming), Dan Prochnow ’78 (golf), John Huepenbecker ’80 (football), Debbie Jungwirth Borman ’87 (volleyball), Tina Pulido Draper ’87 (gymnastics), Jeri Ree ’88 (basketball), Stacey Rodman ’89 (swimming), and Deanne Sand Johnson ’89 (tennis). In addition, softball standout Mary Mansour ’85, who had been elected to the hall last year but was not able to attend the 2005 banquet, was inducted at the Hall of Fame luncheon earlier in the day.

Dick Kumlin ’55 lettered for four years on Gus Young’s fabled basketball teams of the mid-’50s, starting at forward on two championship teams (1954 and 1955) and captaining a squad that went 15–1 in the MIAC and reached the quarterfinals of the NAIA National Tournament in his senior season. Nicknamed “Spook,” the 6’7” Minneapolis Washburn grad played in 99 games at both forward and center for the Gusties during his college career, averaging 8.4 points per game. After graduating from Gustavus, Dick moved to Peoria, Ill., where he worked at Caterpillar Tractor and played for the Peoria Caterpillars, a semi-pro AAU basketball team. He moved back to the Twin Cities in 1963 and became sales manager at Blumberg Photo and Sound, working there until he succumbed to cancer in 1968 at the age of 34. His brother Denny ’57 accepted his award for the family.

A four-year all-conference selection, sprint specialist John Jambeck ’62 helped Coach Vic Gustafson’s swim team to two MIAC championships (1959 and 1960) and two runner-up finishes (1961 and 1962). He dominated the 100 freestyle during his college days, winning the 100-yard event at the conference meet in his freshman and sophomore years and the 100-meter event in his junior and senior years. As a sophomore, he also won the conference meet’s 60-yard freestyle in record time and swam a leg for the winning 400-yard freestyle relay team. He added the 50-meter freestyle crown to his laurels in his junior year, and in his senior year he was co-captain of the team. An elementary education major, John went on to earn a master’s degree in education from the University of Minnesota. He was an elementary school teacher for 34 years in the Hopkins school district and a longtime swim official in the Lake Conference.

Dan Prochnow ’78 was the first golfer in the history of the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) to win three conference individual titles. He claimed his first individual title as a sophomore in 1976, and then followed that by claiming top honors in both 1977 and 1978, setting the conference championship record in 1977 for lowest individual score with a 36-hole total of 72-74–146. Dan helped lead the team to a second-place finish in 1976 and then back-to-back league titles in 1977 and 1978. After graduating in 1978 with a business, economics, and social science major, Dan went on to earn a law degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1981. For the past 25 years he has operated his own private practice in Hutchinson.

John Huepenbecker ’80 graduated as the football program’s all-time leading receiver with 111 receptions for 1,711 yards and 17 touchdowns. He was the first receiver in the history of the Gustavus football program to accumulate 100 catches and compile 1,500 receiving yards. A two-time all-conference honoree (1978 and 1979), he was chosen the team’s Most Valuable Player in 1978, while also being named to the NAIA All-District 13 team and honorable mention NAIA All-American in 1979. John, who graduated in 1980 with a triple major in biology, distributive science, and environmental studies, went on to receive a doctorate of dentistry from the University of Minnesota in 1984. He began his dental career with Midway Dental Clinic in St. Paul but now has retired from dentistry due to complications he incurred while undergoing eye surgery. He lives in Edina with his wife, Marcia Page ’82, and their three daughters.
Debbie Jungwirth Borman ’87 was the starting setter and playmaker on the 1985 and 1986 Gustavus volleyball teams, which won back-to-back Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) titles and were selected to play in the NCAA national tournament in both years. In her two seasons as the starting setter, Debbie compiled some very impressive statistics, including 1,349 assists in 3,678 set attempts for a .358 set percentage, a 97.7 serve percentage, 107 service aces, and 728 digs. She graduated as the program’s all-time leader in career assists per game at 9.8 assists per game. In her senior season, she was a second-team honoree on the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) All-America team—one of only three Gustavus players to have earned AVCA All-America honors. A 1987 summa cum laude graduate with majors in psychology and criminal justice, Debbie is married to Jay Borman ’85 and has been home-schooling their three children for the past 10 years.

Tina Pulido Draper ’87 was a key member of Gustavus national champion gymnastic teams in 1984, 1985, and 1987 and is one of three gymnasts at Gustavus to have earned All-America honors in each of her four seasons of competition. She earned eight All-America awards in all, including four in her senior year (for placing second in the all-around, third on the beam, third on the floor exercise, and sixth on the uneven bars) to help Gustavus claim its third national team title in four years. After graduating in 1987 with majors in psychology and sociology, Tina attended the University of Minnesota at Waseca and received a two-year degree in veterinary technology. She worked as a veterinary technologist until 1996, when she left to accept a position in the medical department with Farmers Insurance. She is currently a litigation/arbitration claims specialist with Farmers Insurance.

Jeri Ree graduated in 1988 as the program’s second all-time leading scorer with 1,252 points (she currently ranks third all-time). In her senior season, Ree was a first team all-conference selection, finishing fourth in the league in scoring (15.8 points per game) and second in free throw percentage (74.7 percent). She set three records during her career that still stand 18 years later, including points in a game (33 vs. Sioux Falls College on 11/23/85), field goals made in a game (16 vs. Sioux Falls College), and free throws made in a game (13 vs. St. Olaf on 1/23/88). After graduating with majors in biology and general distributive sciences, Jeri attended the Southern California College of Optometry and earned a doctor of optometry degree in 1992. While in optometry school, she received a scholarship from the U.S. Army, and after graduation she served four years as an optometrist at Fort Huachuca in Arizona. For the past 11 years she has worked as an independent contractor serving as the optometrist at Sears and J.C. Penney stores in Flagstaff, Ariz.

A freestyle and butterfly specialist, Stacey Rodman ’89 was the first member of the Gustavus women’s swimming program to score points at the NCAA championships when she posted a 14th-place finish in the 50-yard freestyle in 1989. She had won both the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butterfly at the 1989 MIAC championships to help the Gusties to third place—the best finish in the program’s history up to that time. She completed her career as the school record holder in the 50-yard freestyle, the 100 freestyle, the 100 butterfly, and the 200 butterfly. Her time of 59.79 in the 100 butterfly was the school record for 13 years and still ranks as the fourth-fastest time in the program’s history. Also a standout in the classroom, Stacy received the prestigious Evelyn Young Award as the senior female athlete with the highest cumulative GPA. Graduating magna cum laude with a math major, she went on to earn her Ph.D. in mathematics from the University of Oregon in 1995 and is now an associate professor at Augusta College-Rock Island.

Deanne Sand Johnson ’89 was a three-time all-conference performer on the tennis team and a member of three MIAC championship teams. In her senior season, she teamed with Mary Sutherland Ryerse ’89 to form one of the most formidable doubles teams in Division III. The duo was ranked #3 by the Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association (ITCA) all season and advanced to the semifinals of the NCAA doubles draw before falling to the eventual national champions. They both earned All-America honors as a result of advancing to the final four. Deanne graduated with a major in biology, with an emphasis in pre-physical therapy. After a short stint as a physical therapy aide, she accepted a position as a tennis professional at Northwest Athletic Clubs. Moving to Paynesville, she served as the head tennis coach at Rocori High School and the College of St. Benedict for a couple of years. She currently is abstracting at the law office of her husband, David Johnson ’88, in Paynesville.

A four-year starter in the outfield for the Gustavus softball team, Mary Mansour ’85 finished her career ranked first all-time in stolen bases (17), runs scored (65), and hits (79) and second in batting average (.374). Her career coincided with the beginning of softball sponsorship in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, and she became the first player among the 10 league schools to earn all-conference honors three times (1982, 1983, and 1984). Mary, who was selected captain in both her junior and senior seasons, helped the Gusties post second-place finishes in the conference tournament in both 1982 and 1984, and she hit .500 at the league tourney in 1984. A magna cum laude computer science and political science double major, she was one of the first student-athletes at Gustavus to be selected for induction into Phi Beta Kappa. After graduation, Mary accepted a position with Unisys as a programmer and, in 2003, moved to FileNet to become a senior systems engineer.

With the addition of its 29th group of inductees in 2006, the Gustavus Athletics Hall of Fame now includes 199 former athletes, 12 coaches, and 3 benefactors.
Making an impact without words

by Teresa Harland '94

Ruth Hanson Westlund Haberman '56 celebrated life. Her “glass” was always more than half full. A strong Christian faith helped her raise a family of three children who gave her eight grandchildren. Her grandchildren referred to her as their “thumbs up” grandmother when ALS stole her ability to speak.

After growing up in Hector, Minn., Ruth attended Gustavus and graduated in 1956. She met her husband, Ralph Westlund '57, at Gustavus and they were united in marriage in October of 1956. Ralph died unexpectedly in 1982, but Ruth continued their support of Gustavus.

Ruth was diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) in January of 2006 and passed away with dignity on July 27, 2006. But Ruth didn’t let ALS slow her down. She attended her 50th class reunion in May and wrote the invocation that fellow classmate Jo Cipra delivered. Some of Ruth’s words were:

_Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the Universe. Your gifts are so many, one of them being the time our class had together just 50 to 54 years ago. Thank you for the education, the playing, and even those tough learning experiences that helped us to broaden our viewpoints on life._

_Continue, O Lord, to bless Gustavus Adolphus College, its students, faculty, and administration that they may find here a haven of peace. Hold all of us in your arms and help us receive your love and pass it on to others. Lord God, in your holy name we pray. Amen._

Just before Ruth passed away, she decided to establish an endowed scholarship at Gustavus. Not only was she thankful for her own education, but her desire to help other students attend Gustavus was equally important. Her legacy will flourish on campus as future Gustavus students continue to celebrate her life.

Ruth can serve as an inspiration to us all. She lived life to the fullest and had an infectious spirit and smile. By creating an endowed scholarship, you too can leave a legacy at Gustavus.

Endowed scholarships provide the necessary financial assistance that many students need in order to obtain a Gustavus education. Please consider establishing your own endowed scholarship as a mechanism to celebrate your own life. Your legacy will live on through the many Gustavus students you impact.

In September 2006, Teresa Harland '94 was named associate vice president for advancement at Gustavus, with responsibilities for the Gustavus Fund, alumni relations, and advancement services. She had previously worked five years in the Office of Admission and five years as a director of gift planning.
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Why choose?

by Teresa Harland ’94

Marguerite Pooley Hauberg ’34 has been giving the gift of a Gustavus education to women students for quite some time. In 1994, she established the Marguerite Pooley Hauberg Scholarship Fund. Her scholarship provides encouragement to women students who are considering careers in teaching or mathematics and who grew up in a rural community.

Marguerite herself grew up in a rural environment. She was raised on a farm outside of St. James, Minn., and attended Gustavus in the early ’30s, graduating with a mathematics major. She has traveled extensively and even lived in the Panama Canal region for some time. She and her husband, Clifford, eventually moved to Northfield where Marguerite still resides.

Recently, Marguerite decided to make an even greater gift to both Gustavus and St. Olaf. Utilizing farmland that she inherited, she established charitable gift annuities in addition to outright gifts to “heap the measure” of her endowed scholarships at each institution. This gift served as a great tool to accomplish her wishes at both colleges. “Gustavus and St. Olaf are special places to me and this was a way to help both. I have been impressed with the way Gustavus and St. Olaf have worked together to accomplish my goals of helping additional students,” says Marguerite.

Marguerite’s gift is an example of how real estate can be used to benefit multiple charities. Both of these institutions worked together to help Marguerite achieve her philanthropic goals and bring Marguerite’s gift to fruition.

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In a Land of the Midnight Sun

Denny Aguiar ’67 spent 12 days in June with the Sierra Club, backpacking on the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) in Alaska. The refuge, often described as the “Serengeti of North America,” is the summer home of the 150,000-member Porcupine River caribou herd. The Refuge, described as the “southernmost, southermost wetland in the world,” hosts a variety of wildlife, from snow owls and peregrine falcons to caribou and wolves. The Sierra Club’s purpose was to observe the caribou migration out onto the coastal plain, the biological heart of the untamed wilderness, to raise awareness that the coastal plain should continue to be protected from future oil development.

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joy golf, lawn bowling, and swimming George Hieber, Monroe, WA, is semi-retired as owner of Hieber & Associates and enjoys golf and travel Corrine Rhyne Holm, Plymouth, is owner of Custom Design Window Mary Gruse Jennett, Ortonville, winters in Arizona Jon Roadfeldt, Roseville, is president of Roadfeldt Company/SPESO, Inc. LeRoy and Ruth (Swanberg ’57) Sanders, Willmar, winter in Florida.

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Dennis Hinton, Marco Island, FL, retired as owner and president of Baja Capital Corp.

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Paul Engebretson, Alexandria, retired as an OB/GYN in the Alexandria Clinic.

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Mark A. Anderson, Aitkin, retired as a dentist William Benson, Kandiyohi, is a part-time physics instructor at Ridgewater College Dave Carlson, Edina, retired as an internal medicine physician at Allina Medical Clinic Suzanne Wasgatt Johnson, St. Cloud, sings with the Minneapolis Center Chorale and the St. Mary’s Cathedral Choir Marian Nelson McCullom, Williamson, MI, splits the year between upper and lower Michigan and enjoys traveling.

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Carol Hansen Benson, Kandiyohi, is a volunteer for Rice Hospice, the Willmar Symphony Orchestra, the Potluck Bank, and church Dale Bosch, Edina, retired as a senior business analyst at Lutheran Social Service Jim Davis, Oakdale, teaches math at University of Wisconsin-River Falls Frank Jorgensen, Dunning, works with Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Arlyn Kettner, Fort Collins, CO, is business administrator at Faith Evangelical Free Church Jim Mansfield, Winston-Salem, NC, retired as a lead programmer and analyst at RJR Tobacco Carol Anne Magnuson Moberg, Tampa, FL, is co-owner of Moberg Studio Tom Norquist, Modesto, CA, is president and owner of T. A. Norquist Doug Perkins, Afton, is president of Olton Remote Detection Technologies.

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Carol Fisher Bosch, Edina, retired from Target.

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Mary Ellen Tordsen Kitundu is president of International Health Partners-Tanzania and works in Dar es Salaam getting all the clearances necessary before volunteers can give legal healthcare in Tanzania. She also handles all the negotiations with the East of Lake Victoria Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

1953 gathering

Women from the Class of 1953 who shared first-floor Rundstrom Hall and third-floor Wahlstrom Hall at Gustavus, 1949–1953, celebrated their Diamond Jubilee at the Leech Lake cabin home of Roger and Janet Christenson Carlson ’54 ’53. Seated is Janet Christenson Carlson. Standing from left are Joan Warner Halverson, JoAnn Christenson Jasica, Mary Edlund Rehwoldt, Lavinia Peterson Smith, Jo Runez Lindau, Marjorie Knips Eggan, Vynette Hanson Perkins, Virginia Anderson Gustafson, Dorothy Viden Ekstam, Sally LaFond Staley, and Jean Anderson Roabe.

Tom Wersell Class Agents of the Year

The Tom Wersell Class Agents/Class of the Year Award for 2006 has been awarded to Carolyn Jens Brusseau and JoAnn Johnson Lundborg from the Class of 1956. The award’s namesake, Tom Wersell ’38, served as class agent from 1956 until his death in January 2003.

Carolyn and JoAnn have been best friends since they met at Gustavus and like to have fun. Fun was probably their key ingredient in preparation and execution of a very successful 50th anniversary year. They engaged, assembled, and delegated class reunion responsibilities to an effective reunion committee. Beginning last fall until their well-attended reunion in May, class letters were sent each month from a different classmate, and Carolyn and JoAnn wrote a re-cap letter immediately following their reunion activities and class gift success.

Clear and consistent communication from class gift chair Clyde Allen and the class gift committee’s personal contacts generated $198,000 from 75 percent of the class. Adding in estate gift declarations of $1,641,496.00, their class gift totaled $1,828,788.15. In addition, four members of the class matched the first $1,000 of the senior class gift of the Class of 2006. Carolyn and JoAnn hope that type of connection can become a permanent part of a 50-year anniversary class gift, involving new grads in investing in the future of the College.
Church of Tanzania as well as implementing the nursing program at St. John’s University in Dodoma

Milo Larson, Canby, is a substitute teacher, coaches high school golf, and is a self-employed painter

Elaine Buck Stenman, St. Cloud, is owner of Stenman Studios.

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Sharon Anderson Engman, Joyce Henrikson Ramseth, Mary Strand Slinde  
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Robert Bennett, Maple Grove, is vice president of personnel at Twin City Fan & Blower  
Cynthia Linder Buschagen, Denver, CO, is an associate in ministry at Faith Lutheran

Class Agents:  
John Buschagen, Denver, CO, is sole owner of Lighting Sales  
Catherine Carlson, St. Paul, works in sales and advertising at Ingebretnsen’s Gift Shop  
Richard Gisselquist, Minneapolis, is a programmer at Cray, Inc.  
Pamela Romness Jambeck, Pine City, is an educational services consultant for Aurora Borealis Consultants  
Raymond Lewandowski, Corpus Christi, TX, is director of genetics and genomics at Driscoll Children’s Hospital  
Kirstie Lewis, Bellevue, WA, is a self-employed educational psychologist  
Linda O’Connor Noer, Kenosha, WI, is a professor and social work department chair at Carthage College  
Tom Noer, Kenosha, WI, is professor and history department chair at Carthage College  
Dian Ring Norby, Missoula, MT, is a French and English teacher at Missoula County Schools  
Thomas Gram, Scottsdale, AZ, is a semi-retired computer analyst and CPA  
Peter Peterson, Mantorville, works in transportation at Interstate Brands Corp.  
Margaret Imms Selfridge, Wayzata, teaches high school in the Eden Prairie ISD  
Margaret Hall Snyder, New Brighton, is a staff support person at Christ Lutheran Church  
Fredrick Stenman, St. Cloud, is a self-employed wood carver.

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Kenneth Dragseth, Edina, retired as superintendent of schools in Edina.

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Ron Ackerman, Fridley, was inducted into the Minnesota Wrestling Hall of Fame for his contribution of officiating 38 years. He works for Unisys  
Steven Kagol, Deephaven, retired as an estimator and project manager at Julius B. Nelson & Son.

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Cathy Nelson Feste, Minnetonka, recently completed a storytelling intervention for multicultural popula-
tions with diabetes through the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Cynthia Blomquist Gustavson, Tulsa, OK, is author of In-Versing Your Life: A Poetry Workbook for Self-Discovery and Healing, which has been re-released by Blooming Twig Books along with five new e-books in Gustavson’s In-Versing Self-Help Series; for more information, visit <www.cynthiagustavson.com>.

David Nichols, San Diego, CA, is a major subcontract specialist at Northrop Grumman Corp. Louise Anderson Nichols, San Diego, CA, is employed at Children’s Hospital of San Diego.

Cynthia Blomquist, San Diego, CA, is employed at Children’s Hospital of San Diego.

Clayton Larson, Bonita Springs, FL, is an executive chef for Sedexoh. Jim McCallum, Rochester, MI, is director of fleet sales at General Motors.

Dave Miller, Inverness, FL, is criminal justice instructor at Withlacoochee Technical Institute.

Ron Niemala, Grand Rapids, is an insurance and financial representative for Niemala/Vaneps and Associates and is seeking election to the Grand Rapids City Council.

Linda Carlson Odegard, Minneapolis, serves on the board of the Minnesota Literacy Council, Woman’s Club of Minneapolis, and Best Prep; she was the grand opening volunteer coordinator for the Friends of the Minneapolis Public Library and the special events chair of the Minnesota Women’s Political Caucus.

Gale Aikala Passenier, St. Thomas, VI, retired as a math teacher at Charlotte Amalie High School.

Naomi Peterson, Coon Rapids, is a teacher in Anoka-Hennepin ISD #11 and a volunteer for City View in Fridley, a transitional housing program for homeless families.

Norman Quinn, St. Thomas, VI, is director of Discovery Bay Marine Lab.

Carol Haugen Stabenow, Mahtomedi, teaches in the Mahtomedi ISD.

Nancy Sandeen Tarbo, Prior Lake, is the grand opening volunteer coordinator for the City View in Fridley.

Bruce Johnson, Minneapolis, is executive director at The Salvation Army.

Jim Colt, St. Cloud, is a dentist with Colt B. Jacobson.

Elaine Ellertson, Bloomington, is a buyer at Acist Corporation.

Byron Smith, U.S. Navy in Japan.

Karen Ohman Thornberg, Maple Grove, is an executive chef for Sodexho Corp.

Kirsten LeVander Dawson ’64.

Three educators retired last spring from the Mounds View Public Schools and gathered for a photo at the end of the year. Pictured from left are Bill Beck ’60, Kirsten LeVander Dawson ’64, and Ron Olsen ’71. Dawson served as a teacher and chemical education counselor at Mounds View High School. Beck and Olsen taught at Irondale High School as math teacher/coach and band director, respectively.

A real fish story

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Milestone celebration
Classmates in the Class of 1963 met September 14 at the St. James Hotel in Red Wing to celebrate summer and the milestone birthday they have achieved or shortly will. The group, with variations, has met each summer with only one exception since their graduation. Pictured seated from left are Peggy Kretschmer Brinkman, Sharon Shaver Pinney, and Charlene Lundahl Norris. Standing from left are Heather Harshberger Fluck, Christine Svenson Wilmot, Carolyn Helgeson Liebenow, Edna Rask Erickson, Susan Bergquist Lemke, Marlys Schneider Svenson, Connie Ponsor Fisk, and Addy Blotter Roadfeldt.

Along (an adaptation of Eugene O’Neill’s only comedy, Ah, Wilderness!), which played at the York Theatre in New York in October.

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Debra Miller Duffy, North Oaks, is a human resource director at the Minneapolis Institute of Art. Lee Dummer, Crystal, is a systems programmer for the United States Postal Service. Marjane Dummer, Crystal, is a technology support specialist in the Hopkins ISD. Douglas Dunn, St. Paul, is a senior research specialist at 3M. Carol Jo Linder Forneris, Arden Hills, is manager of special projects at Ecolab. Randy Gustafson, St. Peter, retired as an adaptive physical education teacher in the Lake Crystal ISD. Linda Hoppenstedt, Bloomington, is chief financial officer at Targa Financial. Becky Hovde-Baker, La Quinta, CA, who teaches and is cross country and track coach at Indio High School, was inducted into the Indio High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Stephanie Kendall, Minneapolis, is an executive consultant at Gantz Wiley Research. Janna King, Minneapolis, is president of Economic Development Services. Jim Krave, Menomonie, WI, is a self-employed attorney. Tim Lund, Elkhart, IN, is an urgent care physician at Trinity Health. Melinda Drysdale Lundberg, Plymouth, is compliance manager at US Bank. Judy Bostrom Mader, Stillwater, is a pollution control specialist for the State of Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Diane Clark Miller, Burnsville, teaches at Hidden Valley Elementary in Burnsville. Duncan Miller, Morristown, NJ, is a senior research scientist at Unigene Labs. Jeannie Thorpe Montgomery, Shingle Springs, CA, is a health technician in the El Dorado Union High School District. Beth Thompson Niemeyer, Brookings, SD, is a nurse practitioner at Avita Brookings Medical Center. Roderick Olson, Gonzales, LA, is vice president and general manager at Zaaps Potato.

Still running
Long-time running partners Steve Kagol ’68 and Jim Krough ’61 completed the 30th running of Grandma’s Marathon last June and are pictured in Duluth’s Canal Park. Kagol has run in the last 28 runnings of Grandma’s, and both will continue to run because “the prize money gets better every year!”
Chips ■ Julie Pawluk, Stillwater, is an attorney at Henderson/Howard/ Babcock. ■ Mary Raber is a voluntary service worker in Ukraine with the Mennonite Church and a part-time student at International Baptist Theological Seminary. ■ Gary Rauvola, Glendale, MO, is director of regulatory affairs at Stevotaxis, Inc. ■ Brad Retzlaff, New Ulm, is store manager of Retzlaff Hardware. ■ Steve Roesler, Tampa, FL, is a territory manager at Airgas. ■ Kathy Row, Minneapolis, is a special education teacher in the Robbinsdale ISD. ■ Tim Schuetzel, Bismarck, ND, is director of prisons at North Dakota Department of Corrections. ■ Kevin Sundal, North Mankato, is owner of Sundal Properties. ■ Gregory Swanston, Brentwood, TN, is administrative director at Vanderbilt University. ■ Jere Victorsen Thompson, Excelsior, is a senior market research analyst at the Federal Reserve Bank. ■ Sarah Wilcox Vanderstoep, Edgerton, is a public health nurse for LLMP. ■ Pipestone Public Health Services. ■ Kevin Wall, St. Paul, is an attorney in government administration and environmental law at Fryberg, Buchanan, Smith and Frederick.

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Cyndee Johnson, Proctor, was selected for the 2006 Scots Women’s Curling Tour. ■ Mark Lundberg, Plymouth, is a pilot at Netjets Aviation. ■ Robert Lundberg, Bakersfield, CA, is president of Grant Construction. ■ Rhonda Wojahn Swanston, Brentwood, TN, is an executive assistant at Baptist Hospital.

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Brad Anderholm, Yosemite, CA, is COO of Delaware North Parks and Resorts, the hospitality management company that provides visitor services in Yosemite National Park, and was appointed to the board of trustees for the University of California at Merced in September 2006. He is working with UC Merced officials and the National Park Service to develop the Yosemite Leadership Program, an innovative agenda designed to educate and develop future generations of environmental pioneers. ■ Elizabeth Walker Anderson, White Bear Lake, has joined Thrivent Financial for Lutherans as director of community relations and director of corporate community grants programs for the Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Foundation. She is responsible for leading the execution of the organizations’ community outreach, including employee volunteer programs, the employee giving campaign, and employee gift matching. ■ Susan Bloom, Corcoran, is an administrative program director at Tasks Unlimited. ■ Mark Thomsen, Henderson, NV, performed as Don Jose at the Lyric Opera performance of Carmen.

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Steven Epp, Minneapolis, is artistic director at Theatre de la Jeune Lune. ■ Jeff Gardner, Barrington, IL, is semi-retired from Summit, Gardner & Galdmacher. ■ Joseph Martin, Prior Lake, is a self-employed optometrist. ■ Craig Mollet, Excelsior, is an independent accountant. ■ Mary Schoper Nelson, Shoreview, is an RN at Unity Hospital. ■ Reed Nelson, Shoreview, is director of Infrared Solutions, Inc.

European revels
Terry Morehouse ’64, Waconia, MN, pastor at Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church, led a trip to Germany, Austria, and the Czech Republic last August, during which Gustie friends gathered for a night of music and dining. Pictured from left are a local entertainer, Joan Carlstrom Morehouse ’64, Mary Carlstrom Strand ’63, Marci Gustafson Kirchauff ’70, Ron Kirchauff ’69, and Al Henderson ’62.

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Newsmakers

Books for readers who can’t read ■ J. Oakley Pearson ’66 was featured in the Aug. 22 News Leader of Staunton, VA, for his work as executive director of the Talking Book Center serving a five-county area around Staunton. The Talking Book Center is a library for those whose disabilities prevent them from reading print material. Local volunteers and staff take phone and mail requests for books on tape from about 1,100 readers in the five-county area. The Staunton location is part of a national network of such libraries, an arm of the Library of Congress, and provides this service free. Pearson first discovered the Talking Book Center almost 20 years ago, when he was working as an aide to a blind teenager, and was struck then by the profound effect that the center had on its clients. “People who continue to read in spite of disabilities are truly amazing people,” says Pearson, “so it has been a real pleasure to do this.”

Online interview ▶ Physical therapist Matthew Scherer ’93, a member of the U.S. Army’s Medical Specialist Corps assigned to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, DC, is interviewed in the “LifeWorks” section of the website of the National Institute of Science Education (http://science-education.nih.gov/LifeWorks.nsf/ Interview/), where he endorses liberal arts education. Scherer, pictured here (right) with a patient, had participated in the Reserve Officer Training Corps program (ROTC) while at Gustavus and spent four years of active duty with the 107th Mountainaire Division in upstate New York after graduating. He then left active military service and joined the Peace Corps with his wife, Anastasia Norton ’94. The couple spent 27 months in Suriname, South America, and upon completion of their term of service, Scherer applied to the Army-Baylor Physical Therapy Program. After completing his master’s degree in physical therapy, he was assigned to Walter Reed Medical Center, where he now works with war-wounded who have lost limbs due to blast injuries. A new call ■ The Murray County News (Slayton, MN) of Sept. 27 profiled Pastor Ted Kunze ’76 and his wife, Marcia (Skoglund ’77), who have accepted a call to Christ Lutheran Church in Slayton and Faith Lutheran Church in Avoca after living for 20 years in St. James. The Kunzes had celebrated 25 years in ministry last year, and the move came as Ted was completing studies for his doctorate and he and Marcia were anticipating the adjustment to being “empty nesters” (the youngest of their three daughters left for college at Augustana-Sioux Falls in September), but the staff writer noted that the couple seemed to take it all in stride and have embraced their new community.

Keeping runners and cyclists on the road ■ The Pilot Tribune of Storm Lake, IA, ran a feature in its Aug. 22 issue on Shane McClinton ’99, a native of Storm Lake and a physical therapist at Des Moines University’s Unique Running and Cycling Clinic since 2002. The article focused on McClinton’s early interest in the health field developed while he was still in high school from shadowing the therapists working at Storm Lake’s Sports Rehab clinic, and on his expertise in analyzing exercise-related problems and prescribing strengthening exercises or equipment fits to improve exercise mechanics. Using a camcorder, McClinton videotapes patients as they run on a treadmill to analyze their form, arch support, and hip movement. Sometimes, he is able to determine that a simple change in running shoes will take care of their pain. For cyclists, improper bike fit and form may cause pain in the neck, upper back, wrists, and knees, and McClinton—an avid runner and cyclist himself—can assist in finding the proper fit to alleviate patients’ pain.

Walking for history ■ The Aug. 22 issue of the Mankato Free Press included a feature on a commemorative 40-mile walk from Traverse des Sioux near St. Peter to Fort Ridgely organized by Andy Timmer ’06. Timmer and eight fellow history buffs completed the two-day hike on August 26–27, reenacting the forced march across Nicollet County by Henry Hastings Sibley and his 1,600 men to relieve the besieged fort during the Dakota Conflict of 1862. Timmer was also walking for his friend, New Ulm teacher Scott Hosier, with whom he’d planned the hike a year ago. Hosier died suddenly before they could take their walk, so Timmer honored his memory by using the event to raise awareness of the Wood Lake Battlefield Preservation Association, one of Hosier’s dreams. (The association seeks to preserve and interpret the site of the final battle of the Dakota Conflict, which is located on private land.) The association has now grown to 175 members from across the country and is negotiating with landowners to put the battle site into an easement.

for Complete Children’s Health ■ Kris Mattis Bohnen, Boulder, CO, works in human resources at MicroMotion ■ Cindy Derscheid Brewer, Lennox, SD, is a clinical nurse at the Orthopedic Institute ■ Peggy Perushek Davis, Brentwood, CA, is a senior accountant at Westaff ■ Deborah Henke Diskerud, Brooklyn Park, is a project manager and research administrator at the Minneapolis Heart Institute Foundation ■ Michael Gustafson, North Oaks, is a vice president and general manager at Ecolab Inc. ■ Cynthia Turner Haertzen, Plymouth, is a regional vice president at Old Republic Insured Credit Services ■ Steve Helm, Edina, is building manager at S & H Realty Management ■ Susan Bergren Henry, Apple Valley, is a Creative Memories consultant ■ Steven Hostager, Iowa City, IA, is an accountant at River Products Company ■ Janna Larson LaFontaine, St. Cloud, is an assistant professor and head women’s tennis coach at College of St. Benedict and was named 2006 coach of the year ■ Mike LaFontaine, St. Cloud, is an attorney at Quinlivan Law Firm ■ Paul E. Larson, Waco, TX, is an associate professor of Spanish at Baylor University ■ Dean Lundgren, Cannon Falls, is pastor at Urland Lutheran Church ■ Barb Taverna Martin, Prior Lake, is a licensed psychologist at Allina Medical Center ■ Dale Martin, Naperville, IL, is president of Orchard Executive Growth ■ Diane Martinson-Koyama, Honolulu, HI, is assistant chaplain and teacher at Iolani School ■ Jean Weiss Melton-Koch, Annapolis, MD, teaches in the Anne Arundel County Schools ■ Sandy Nieland, Rochester, teaches English in the Rochester ISD ■ Leslie Nielsen, Hastings, is owner and manager of Meloy Park Florist ■ Nancy Olesen, Minneapolis, is a radio producer for MOMbo, Inc., and recently released a four-CD set, Now You Mombo ■ Diane Bergman Petersen, Edina, is owner/partner of Women’s Health Consultants ■ Dean Pospelov, Wayzata, is director of sales and marketing at Datwyler ■ Debra Schafer Rose, Superior, CO, is senior adviser for Stellar Solutions ■ Jeffrey Saunders, Edina, is a partner at Fulbright & Jaworski ■ Bob Schnell, Hamel, is president of Center Insurance Agency ■ Sue Miller Skinner, Brainerd, is a regional operations director at the Minneapolis Heart Institute ■ Tom Skold, Wabasha, is chef and teacher at Harbor View Cafe and completed a degree in food science in University of Wisconsin-Stout ■ Suzie Carlson Smiley, Excelsior, is an RN with Oral & Maxillofacial Surgical Consultants ■ Karen Hickcox Spiegeler, Annandale, teaches sixth grade in the Annandale ISD ■ Giovanne Johnson Svitak, Maple Grove, is a self-employed flute teacher ■ Tim Swanson, Woodbury, is senior vice president at Prime Bancshares and opened a new community bank in Maplewood, De Novo Bank ■ Larry Syme, Bullhead City, AZ, is an elementary teacher in the Bullhead City Schools ■ Debra Delgerhausen Wagner, St. Louis Park, is small group and discipleship administrator at Calvary Lutheran Church.

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Bret Smith, Lexington, KY, is associate professor of physiology at University of Kentucky College of Medicine.  
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Mark Allen, Apple Valley, is a senior vice president and chief information officer at Midwest Wireless Communications.  
Mark A. Anderson, Minneapolis, is owner of La Belle Maison.  
Carmen Meyer Baggenstoss, Gaylord, is EDP manager at Arlington State Bank and co-owner of The Hardware Center.

Oregon gathering  
A pre-game picnic was held in Salem, OR, prior to the Gustavus versus Willamette football game on September 9. Alumni, parents, and friends of the College heard an update from Steve Hogberg ’69 (advancement), Bob Neuman ’80 (admission), and Al Malde ’66 (athletics).

Mary Kramer Chace, Hilliard, OH, is a private consultant.  
Jackie Hunt Christensen, Minneapolis, recently had an article about the effects of Parkinson’s disease on voice and facial expressions published in Care Advantage, the quarterly magazine of the Alzheimer’s Foundation of America, which devoted an issue to Parkinson’s disease, since many people with PD also may develop dementia.  
Julie Cornwell, Minneapolis, is a technical analyst at the Mentor Network.  
Shelly Eklund, Worthington, teaches physical education in the Worthington ISD.  
Jeffrey Elder, Chanhasen, is an emergency physician at North Memorial Medical Center.  
Stephanie Nichols Frenner, St. Paul, teaches English at Concordia Academy.  
Steve Graff, Owatonna, is an account executive at Rescue Mortgage.  
Barb Jones Guffey, Monticello, is partner/consultant for Market Street Partners.  
Hans Hansen, Spring Lake Park, is a relationship officer at Park Midway Bank.  
Kevin Hickok, San Diego, CA, is a senior scientist at Cytori Therapeutics.  
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Final flight  
Rick Zweig ’68, Excelsior, retired last July as a captain with Northwest Airlines after 30 years of flying and was given a water salute (water arch over the airplane) just prior to his last takeoff and final flight to Minneapolis. Rick is pictured with his wife, Ann (Dovenberg ’70), who continues to work part-time in product development and testing for General Mills.
Gustavus Horse Power

“Gustavus A DALAphus” is one of 16 Swedish Dala horses sponsored and painted as a public art fundraiser for Gammelgården Museum in Scandia, MN, during the summer of 2006. Eleven horses have now been scattered around town for visitors to see and photograph, and the remaining five were purchased for private locations nearby.

Several Gustie alums were involved in this project: Dianne K. Johnson ’69 was co-chair of the project. Dianne also serves on the board of directors for the museum, which is chaired by former Gustavus athletics director Jim “Moose” Malmquist ’53. Moose also worked on the horse transportation crew—these horses are made of concrete and weigh almost 600 pounds each! Retired art teacher Sandie Swenson, wife of Doug Swenson ’67, designed “Gustavus A DALAphus” and seven other horses for the project. Edsel Johnson ’42 and his wife, Mignon (Carter ’43), parents of Dianne, Kirsten Lindberg, and Jim Lindberg ’68, Moose Malmquist ’53, Dianne K. Johnson ’69, Mignon Carter Johnson ’43, and Edsel Johnson ’42. (They are shown in front of the Security State Bank in Scandia, where Edsel Johnson was president and son-in-law Jim Lindberg now serves as president.)

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Gusties Gather!

Last summer 60 Gustavus alumni events were held around the county as part of “Gusties Gather.” Most events occurred on Sunday, August 6, when groups big and small came together to share their Gustie spirit. The photos on this page are from just a few of the sites of this year’s Gusties Gather events.

Do you miss Gustavus?
Do you wonder who in your area or neighborhood is a Gustie?
Do you want an excuse to gather your friends from college?
Do you want to be more involved with Gustavus?

This is your chance! Volunteer to host or co-host a Gusties Gather event next fall. Please contact the Alumni Office at alumni@gustavus.edu or 800/487-8437. The date for next year’s events will be Sunday, Sept. 30, 2007. Details will be sent to hosts next spring.
The doctor occupies his own chair

Neil Fenske ’69 (right), who is a widely recognized expert on skin cancer, aging, and psoriasis, received a singular honor in June when USF Health, an enterprise of the University of Southern Florida, received a $2 million gift to create the Neil Alan Fenske MD Dermatology and Cutaneous Surgery Chair at the university’s medical school. The gift, made by Chris Sullivan, one of the founders of Outback Steakhouse, is being matched by the State of Florida to create a $4 million endowment supporting the advancement of dermatological initiatives.

Fenske is professor of medicine and pathology at the USF College of Medicine and has been director of the college’s dermatology and cutaneous surgery division of the Department of Internal Medicine, which is nationally known for its expertise in the diagnosis and treatment of general skin disorders. The creation of an endowed chair in Fenske’s honor was instrumental in transforming the division into a department of its own, and Fenske was named chair of the new department in July—also a significant honor because, as he notes, “Obtaining separate departmental status is extraordinarily difficult in medical schools for both political and financial reasons.”

Fenske will use the endowed chair to facilitate USF Health’s long-term research goals, enhance educational outcomes for students and residents, and increase access to quality care for area patients and referring community physicians. In partnership with its affiliated hospitals, USF Health’s research funding last year exceeded $130 million. Its clinicians cared for more than 31,000 patients and oversaw 396,000 outpatient visits. Under Fenske’s direction, the USF Dermatopathology Laboratory has become one of the top referral labs in the Southeastern United States.

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Neilsen receives Yale distinction in congregational ministry

Thomas S. Neilsen ’73, New Glarus, WI, has received the Distinction in Congregational Ministry award from Yale Divinity School. The award recognizes a lay or ordained individual who has shown exceptional pastoral competence in the work of developing the ministry and mission of local congregations. For more than two decades, Neilsen has been heavily involved in programs aimed at protecting human rights of the Latin American poor. Since 1984, Neilsen has worked in partnership with various groups including Guatemalan refugees in Chicago and Mexico; Indigenous Mayan people in Chiapas; the Roman Catholic Bishop Samuel Ruiz Garcia of San Cristóbal de las Casas; as well as partnerships in El Salvador with Pastor Miguel Tomas Castro and rural communities in Usulutan, El Salvador. He is also involved in human rights projects in other countries in Central and South America, including the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, Venezuela, and Guatemala.

In 1992, Gustavus awarded Neilsen the Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations Service Award for his distinctive commitments and contributions to the service of others.
Cari Wicklund ’74, Nicolaville, KY, executive director of the American Probation and Parole Association (APPA), is the recipient of the 2006 United States Congress Victims’ Rights Caucus Allied Professional Award. The award honors the efforts of individuals, organizations, or coalitions that directly benefit victims of crime, but who are not direct victim service providers, the individuals whom victims and advocates rely upon to make sure the crime victims are treated humanely and with respect.

Under Wicklund’s leadership, APPA has promoted and developed policies, protocols, and curricula to enhance victim rights and services in probation, parole, and corrections. The Victims’ Rights Caucus is responsible for facilitating discussions, organizing meetings, and disseminating information on the causes of victimization to achieve greater understanding and to formulate sensible solutions.

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Gustie Bandys!
A group of top athletes—all with Gustavus connections—recently defended their national championship in the Elite division of the United States Indoor Bandy League (USIBL). Bandy is a sport popular in Russia and Scandinavia that is played on ice with skates and a ball and stick. Rules are similar to ice hockey, with an emphasis on skating and shooting but no intentional body checking. Introduced in the United States in 1980, the sport is popular with hockey players eager to hone their skating and passing skills.

The United States has a summer league in the Twin Cities, and in late August the Gustie Bandys, after finishing second in league play, advanced through the playoffs to meet the number-one seed, the Roseville Raiders, for the second year in a row in the title game. The Roseville team is led by former Colorado College standout and 2005 Hobey Baker winner Marty Sertich. The Bandys prevailed in a close game, with the final score 12–10.

The Bandys were led by 2006–07 men’s varsity ice hockey assistant captain, senior Mike Hosfield, who was also named this season’s playoff MVP. Bandyt captains are brothers John and Scott Arundel. John, a senior at Gustavus this year, was named last season’s bandy league MVP and is returning this year for his final year of varsity hockey competition at the College. Scott, a junior, is studying for the year in Upsala, Sweden, and playing outdoor bandy with a first-tier bandy team there.

Other Gusties on the team are 2006 Division III second team All-American Jon Keseley, and fellow senior and goaltending standout Erik Kraska. Former Gusties on the Bandys are Joe Ulwelling ’05 and Adam Meyer ’07. The other regular is former Colorado College star Ian Petersen, whose father Gary Petersen ’72 played four years of ice hockey for the Golden Gusties. The team was founded by Steve “Cowboy” Arundel ’73, father of John and Scott who also enjoyed four years of hockey notoriety playing for Don Roberts during the “glory years” of Gustie hockey, and who has been involved in U.S. bandy since 1981.

Pictured in the photo are, from front row from left: Scott Arundel ’08, Adam Meyer ’07, Jon Keseley ’07, and Ian Petersen; back row: Steve Arundel ’73, Mike Hosfield ’07, Erik Kraska ’07, John Arundel ’07, and Joe Ulwelling ’05. Other team members not pictured include Reegan Rehm ’05, Gustie hockey captain for two seasons, and Jon Keseley’s sister, Angela Keseley, who is a sophomore this year on the 2006 University of Wisconsin defending national champion women’s ice hockey team.

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Rauvola in Finland
Gary Rauvola ’76, Glendora, MO, is pictured at the top of Koli Hill in the Pohjois Karjala region of eastern Finland last July. The top of Koli is reputed to be the inspiration for Finnish composer Jean Sibelius to create the musical piece Finlandia, and the view was voted by Finns the most beautiful spot in Finland. The body of water in the background is Lake Pielinen. The town of Lieksa is on the far shore and, during winter, an ice road is maintained across the lake between Koli and Lieksa to reduce driving time.

Wallenberg Bragg honored for 25 years of service
Linda Wallenberg Bragg ’75, Eden Prairie, was honored for 25 years of service to Concordia Language Villages, where she serves as dean at the Sjölunden Swedish Language Village during her summers. Her celebration included the gift of a scrapbook from campers spanning 25 years and the unveiling of Linda’s Stig (Linda’s Path), a marked path that will lead to the first permanent buildings for the Swedish Village. She is pictured with Gusties on staff including from left Jeff Gerhardson, Elise Peters ’91, Kirstin Kallaher ’03, Rebecka Arbin ’06, Margaret Dorer ’08, Jennifer Stromberg ’05, and Wallenberg Bragg.

Dream research
Sheila McWells Asato ’77 has been recognized for her original research on dreams with an award from the International Association for the Study of Dreams (IASD). Asato, a visual artist and owner of the Monkey Bridge Arts Center for Art, Dreaming, and Creative Development in St. Louis Park, developed her Healing CollageSM technique from Japanese collage therapy and Jungian approaches. She presents workshops in the technique at Monkey Bridge Arts, and her workshop was on the schedule for an IASD conference on Dreaming and Creativity recently held at Luther Seminary in St. Paul. Sheila is in the final stages of completing a master’s degree in human development at St. Mary’s University of Minnesota.

Insurance
Cameron R. Kelly, Plymouth, is a transactional real estate attorney for Eckberg Lammers and with Attorneys Title of Stillwater.

Geoff Knobloch, Sioux Falls, SD, is a manager at Eide Bailly.

Brooke Lundquist, Washington, DC, is a legislative associate at Sunoco.

Sarah Spessard Olson, St. Paul, is an analytical research chemist at Cima Labs.

Adam Patterson, Crystal Lake, IL, is Chicago land sales manager at Lansing Building Products.

Lindsey Klute Patterson, Crystal Lake, IL, is a stay-at-home mom.

Lea McNeely Pickford, Schenectady, NY, is an RN at the Kaplorani Medical Center.

Melissa Rhoads, Maple Grove, received a master’s degree in international business from St. Mary’s University of Minnesota and is manager of Medca customer service for United Behavioral Health.

Nikki Schlepp, Minneapolis, is design coordinator/Center for Changing Landscapes at University of Minnesota, College of Design.

Josh Stevens, Evanston, IL, is assistant director of admissions at Lake Forest College.

Kellie Molin Thun, Eden Prairie, graduated from University of Minnesota Dental School.

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Cassie Carver Larson, Hal DeLeo

Molly Grisham Altorfer, Cedar Rapids, IA, is assistant director of college relations at Mount Mercy College.

Limea Arvidson, Osseo, teaches English at Armstrong High School.

Andy Barnick, St. Peter, is a licensed investment banker at Wells Fargo.

Richard Bartell, Eagan, is an analyst and assistant portfolio manager at the Clifton Group.

Nathan Beran, Mankato, is a computer technician for Blue Earth County.

Jonathan Bjork, St. Paul, is a project manager and designer at Xcel Energy.

Wesley Boll, Maple Plain, is an environmental scientist at Wenck Associates.

Mitchell Brinks, Brainerd, is director of environmental services for Kramer Leas.

Jeremy Carlson is academic Web coordinator at Gustavus.

Erin Cederling, Bulles, IA, is a mail clerk for the U.S. State Department.

Sonja Cordes, Lakeville, is an associate specialist in internal communications at Target Corp.

Kirsten Culien, Brooklyn, NY, is a graduate student in clinical psychology at Pacific University and interning in the child and adolescent psychiatry department at Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn, New York.

Kara Dernor, Westminster, CO, is doing a pre-doctoral internship at an APA-approved internship site, the University of Colorado at Boulder, Wardenburg Student Health Center, in their counseling center.

Nicole Chrisotomis Devereaux, Minneapolis, and her husband planted a new church in Minneapolis called Hiawatha Church, where she is ministry associate.

Michelle Dillavou, Wheat Ridge, CO, is a media buyer for Karsh + Hagan.

Megan Dobratz, Minneapolis, is a project manager at Minnesota Environmental Initiative.

Regan Nitz Dose, Arlington, is a senior human resources generalist at Young America Corporation.

Natalie Eise, Chaska, is a paralegal for Hauer, Fargione, Love, Landy & McEllistrem Law Firm.

Ryan Erickson, Eden Prairie, is employed by Barr Engineering and in a master’s pro-
Anderholm '78

It’s 5:30 in the morning in the heart of the Sierra Nevada Mountains, and Bradley Anderholm ’78 is awake and preparing to commute to his office—in California’s Yosemite National Park.

Anderholm is chief operating officer for Delaware North Parks and Resorts (DNC), the approved concessionaire for the park and is the single largest concession operation in the national park system. Yosemite N.P. is comparable in size to the state of Rhode Island, with more than 3.5 million visitors annually. Visiting all of DNC’s operational outlets within the park requires a 14-hour, 250-mile round trip, which Anderholm has made many times and in all weather conditions.

The operational challenges are as varied as the scenery. The park offers more than 1,750 lodging accommodations, ranging from the historic four-diamond Ahwahnee Hotel to a tent-cabin, which is just a step up from an under-the-stars camping experience. The Ahwahnee and its three-star cousin, the Yosemite Lodge, rank as the #1 and #3 hotels nationwide in terms of occupancy levels. Anderholm pays special attention to the 20 different dining venues within the park, including the Ahwahnee Dining Room, the crown jewel of the park’s dining options with its 75-foot-high vaulted ceiling and dramatic windows overlooking the cliffs beyond. His passion for this aspect of the business was developed at the Culinary Institute of America, from which he graduated in 1979.

Anderholm also oversees a multi-faceted recreation operation. Yosemite is known as the rock-climbing capital of the world, and climbers from each and every corner of the world, to test their skills on the most famous of all rock faces, El Capitan. Less experienced climbers can get the thrill with a trip up to the top of the park’s most iconic landmark, Half Dome (behind Brad in the photo). Cabins have been placed there to help get you all the way to the top; Anderholm can vouch for their security, as he’s made the climb himself on several occasions. Full-day mule or horseback treks and guided hikes are also available through DNC. The park is open year round and the High Sierras offer many winter recreational activities as well.

When the opportunity to live and work in the park presented itself four years ago, Anderholm jumped at the chance. He had experienced Voyagers’ National Park while attending Gustavus and trekked the Appalachian Trail while living in Georgia, so his appreciation for the great outdoors was already in place. He and his wife, Jean, now live in the shadow of Half Dome. And he has time each day to count his blessings as he sets out, on foot, for his 45-second commute to his office through the towering pines.

Living and working in Yosemite
Our men in Armenia

A note in the Alumni section of the Quarterly brought two Gusties together at the U.S. Embassy in Yerevan, Armenia. Justin Kalemkiarian ’06 (right) spent the summer interning in Armenia’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His mother noticed a photo of the family of Peter Ford ’84 in the Quarterly that listed him as working in Armenia as well. While Justin was in Armenia, she e-mailed Ford (left), who is working as the regional security officer at the embassy, about Justin’s internship. The two were able to meet a couple of times, during which time Ford provided a tour of the embassy and they chatted about how two kids from Gustavus ended up in a country such as Armenia.

LaTour, Chaska, teaches second grade at Bayview Elementary School. Dan Lewer, Corvallis, OR, is a graduate student in zoology at Oregon State. Bob Logan, St. Louis Park, is an admission representative for Rasmussen College. Brittany Miller, Sacramento, CA, is in leadership and management at Whole Foods Corp. Eric Mueller, St. Paul, was promoted to electronic marketing coordinator and Web designer for the Science Museum of Minnesota. Joshua Prues, Santa Maria, CA, is technical director at Pacific Conservatory of Performing Arts.

Perceiving Michelle Schaefer, Eden Prairie, is a health coach at StayWell Health Management. Erin Theroux, Plymouth, is working for the Blood and Marrow Transplant Program as a nurse clinician at University of Minnesota Medical Center. Karle Trethewy, Corvallis, OR, is a pediatric nurse at Oregon Health and Science University. Kelly Warrin, Anchorage, AK, is a librarian at Alaska Resources Library and Information Service. Anna Larson Weispfenning, St. Paul, is an assurance senior associate for PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP. Erin Winchell, Eagan, is band director at Inver Grove Heights Middle School.

Rachel Turzynski Zimmermann, Woodbury, is a clinical laboratory scientist at University of Minnesota Medical Center-Fairview.

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Nathan Annis, Ashland, VA, is a financial analyst for Hormel Foods. Arshad Bachelani, Pittsburgh, PA, received his medical degree from Creighton University and is doing a surgical residency at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh. Jennifer Moses Bailey, Shoreview, is executive team leader for Target. Elizabeth Barth, Chaska, received a master’s degree from University of Minnesota and is a tax accountant at Carlson Company.

Jenny Lingle Beer, Denver, CO, is training coordinator for Education Partners, Inc. Nate Bergengren, St. Anthony, is worship leader at Jacob’s Well. Adam Britz, Oak Grove, is a surgical sales representative at Surgical Concepts. Anna Knoblauch Bromeland, Shakopee, received a master’s degree in occupational therapy from College of St. Catherine and is a registered occupational therapist for Ageis Therapies/John Hopkins Care Center.

Phil Bromeland, Shakopee, is an estimator for Arteka Companies. Lane Cowger, St. Louis Park, received a master’s degree in geography at University of North Dakota. Aaron Crowell, St. Paul, is a master of divinity student at United Theological Seminary.

Abby Roen Flores, Lawrence, KS, is an art history student at University of Kansas. Tori Greer, Minneapolis, is a paralegal for Schmidt Law Firm in Minnetonka. Ryan Hanson, Falcon Heights, is creative director at Meritum.

Christen Johnson, Minneapolis, is a merchandise planning manager in the domestics division of Target Corporation. Rachel Lohn, Minneapolis, completed an M.S. degree in community counseling at St. Cloud State University and is a family advocate at Western Communities Action Network.

Nicholas Novak, Medina, is a senior auditor for Wells Fargo. Anne Peters is a doctoral student in the department of politics at University of Virginia, with a focus on the political economy of the Middle East. Nick Peterson, Napa, CA, is an environmental consultant for On My Mountain, Inc.

Melissa Radniecki, Minnetonka, received a master’s degree in counseling and student personnel from Minnesota State University, Mankato. Annie Johnson Selander, Eagan, is a therapeutic recreation assistant for Inver Grove Good Samaritan Center. Nathan Selander, Eagan, is a senior software engineer at Thomson West and attending University of St. Thomas. Chris Stavenger, Moorhead, is physician assistant at Orthopedic Associates of Duluth.

Anne Wenstrom is in Benin, West Africa, with the Peace Corps. Lindsay Wright, Minneapolis, is a law student at University of Minnesota.

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Jeremy Braband, New Hope, is a senior developer for Atomic Playpen. Mandy Fischer Britz, Oak Grove, teaches third grade at Andover Elementary in the Anoka-Hennepin School District.

2006 Steven L. Baldwin “Baldy” Golf Classic

Started in 1986 and renamed “The Baldy” in 1988 after the untimely death of friend and classmate Steve Baldwin ’74 in June of 1988, the annual golf classic was held in Minnesota this year, on September 13–17, 2006. Pictured front row from left are Carl Wicklund ’74, Craig Senn ’73, Chuck Schweiger ’74, and Peter Patten ’76. Middle row, Ross Handahl ’75, Richard Black ’75, David Bohline ’74, and Rob Linner ’74. Back row, Bob Hobart ’73, Bill Lunz ’74, Doug Cramblit ’74, Kurt Deter ’74, and Kirk Swanson ’74.
School District

Carrie Byron, Yellowstone National Park, WY, is a wildlife biology researcher in Yellowstone National Park. Sarah Nelson Conlon, St. Peter, is account manager for Carlson Craft Business Solutions. Libby Harren, Burnsville, is a merchandise coordinator for Target Corporation. Jill Hubers Haspert, New Hope, is an internal auditor for General Mills, Inc. Jessica Horstmann, Minneapolis, is a graduate student in TESOL at Columbia Teachers College in New York. Nicole Hurt, Athens, GA, is a rhetorical studies student at University of Georgia. Angela Ruth Janda, Santa Fe, NM, is a member of the Theaterwork company. Pat Lawton, White Bear Lake, received an M.A. in communication from Bethel University. Emily Lloyd, Mishawaka, IN, is a youth care worker in the secure unit at Bashor Children’s Home. Diana Yang Messvig, Campbell, CA, is records management coordinator for Ernst & Young. Marnie Nelson, Eden Prairie, is teaching English at the RMR Language Institute. Kate Sandvig Ohr, Maple Grove, teaches eighth-grade math at Minnetonka Middle School East. Chris Renne, St. Paul, is a laboratory technician at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. Leah Neal Renne, St. Paul, is a veterinarian student at University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine. Matt Seamon, Aurora, CO, is an athletic trainer for the Colorado Crush Arena Football Team. Rebecca Smith, Chicago, IL, is a master of arts student at Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. Darci M. Thomsen, Ann Arbor, MI, is a graduate student in social work at University of Michigan. Beth Wheatley, Wyoming, is a student at University of Minnesota Medical School and is doing clinical study at the Paynesville Hospital and Clinic.

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Jennifer Abrahamzon, Rochester, is a research technician at the Mayo Clinic. Claire E. Anderson, Pella, IA, is residence hall director at Central College. Andrew Bennett, Kearney, NE, is a graduate student in English/creative writing at University of Nebraska. Jon Borle, Forest Lake, is a nurse in the Allina Health System. Courtney Fremont Braatz, Woodbury, teaches fifth grade at South Washington County Schools. Nikki Briggs is a graduate student in the family nurse practitioner program at Duke University. Laura Bye, Excelsior, is community integration services instructor at Opportunity Partners. Amanda Cody, Washington, DC, is a law student at George Washington University Law School. Mary DuVal, Minneapolis, is lead organizer/campaign manager for Minnesota ACORN. Shawna Weaver Dwyer, Plymouth, is a resident counselor at Bar None Residential Treatment Facility. Britt Forsberg is volunteering with AmeriCorps at the McCaul Outdoor Science School and is a graduate student in environmental education at University of Idaho. JR Friesen, Cheyenne, WY, is creative services producer for CBS Newschannel 5 (KWGN-TV). Abby Gambrel, Richmond, VA, is attending Virginia Commonwealth University in forensic science and is an autopsy technician for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. Alyssa Tjosaas George, Madison, WI, is a physical therapy student at University of Wisconsin. Rob George, Madison, WI, is a veterinary medicine student at University of Wisconsin. Justin Gleason, Greenfield, is a job supervisor at Eagle Crest. Jennifer Grundeen, Wayzata, is working in the media department at Campbell-Mithun. Christian Gunberg is studying at Florida Coastal School of Law. Ben Hardy, Minneapolis, is a database programmer at VeriSign. Katrina Hesterman, Minneapolis, is merchandising coordinator for Target Corporation. Lesli Huettl, Roseville, teaches music in the Belle Plaine ISD. Angela Ingersoll, Hopkins, is a technician/customer service representative for ViroMed Lab Corp. Jenny Ingraham, St. Louis Park, is an assistant account executive at Periscope. Liza Ingvason, Minneapolis, is marketing communications specialist for Virtelligence. Jolene Johnson, Minneapolis, is studying for a Ph.D. in physics at University of Minnesota. Katrina Kleinwachter, Chicago, IL, is a law student at Northwestern University. Kristin Kachelmyer Krusemark, Chaska, was inducted into the Mankato East High School Athletic Hall of Fame. Melissa Laine, Bethesda, MD, is an economist for the Internal Revenue Service and is attending American University in economic development. Jamie Larson, Eagan, is a trainee for veterans affairs at the Federal Building. Heidi Lawson, Chicago, IL, is a Ph.D. student in political science at University of Illinois. Clara Legato is working in Costa Rica as an instructor for Costa Rica Rainforest Outward Bound School. Joseph Millhaupt, Bozeman, MT, works for the Yellowstone Club. Gina Mueller, New London, is an area sales manager at Herberger’s. Kristi Paulsen, Lake Crystal, teaches in ISD #77. Laura Pieper, Cedar

Coach hosts swimmers

Gustie swimmers from classes spanning the past 10 years gathered at the home of Coach Jon and Heidi Rostberg Carlson ’88 ’93 in St. Peter for their annual event on Homecoming.

Erlanson’s new book explores evangelicalism in politics

Sven Erlanson ’89 has released a new book for those trying to counter evangelical Christianity’s intrusion on American politics. In The 7 Evangelical Myths: Untwisting the Theology Behind the Politics (Lumina Press), he explores Christian doctrine and Jesus’ teachings on love to reveal problems in evangelical theology and provide insights into restoring some measure of balance to American politics.
Aamot publishes first book

For more than two decades, Minnesota has seen a new wave of immigration from disparate areas of the world, including Eastern Europe, Mexico, Central and Latin America, Africa, and Southeast Asia. In 2005, more refugees arrived in Minnesota than in any other state except California. In his timely book, *The New Minnesotans: Stories of Immigrants and Refugees* (**Gregg Aamot ’91, Edina, an Associated Press reporter who has covered immigration for Minnesota newspapers since the early 1990s**, shares the challenges and realities immigrants and refugees face while assimilating to the Upper Midwest. From a front-row seat in the homes, workplaces, and meeting halls of these newcomers, Aamot provides an intimate look at the experiences of Somali refugees in Minneapolis, Jonathan D. Carlson, Minneapolis, is working with Lutheran Volunteer Corps. **Melisa Chial,** Stillwater, a server at Bricco di Vino and a promotions associate at United Health Care, Edinburgh, is a medical student at University of Minnesota. **Heather Danckwart, Kellogg,** is a medical student at University of Minnesota. **Erica Ellefson,** Hibbing, is employed at Trimble and Associates Law Office. **David Engelhard,** Minneapolis, is employed at St. David’s Child Development & Family Services. **Dan Etzel,** Hamel, is an account executive for Music Loft. **Rapids, IA, is a band instrument repair technician for Music Loft. **Katherine Podvin** is teaching English in Seoul, South Korea. **Michaela Poepping, St. Paul,** is a marketing associate at Paddock Laboratory. **Kendra Rinas, Pepperell, MA,** is a social worker for Church World Services based at the U.S. Overseas Processing Entity, and travels to West and Central African refugee camps to interview refugees for the Department of Homeland Security. **Jessica Schrieber, Madison, WI,** is a first-year medical student at University of Wisconsin Medical School. **Bekah Smith, Eagle River, AK,** is a graphics designer at Skinny Raven. **Karl Spilseth,** St. Paul, is a sales representative for Coast to Coast Business Equipment. **Gemma Soderholm Storvick,** Mankato, is a nursing intern at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. **Kris Storvick,** Mankato, is attending University of Minnesota Law School. **Peter Swanstrom,** Duluth, is a customer care representative at Cleanwire. **Alissa DeLaan Wallace,** Broomfield, CO, is studying audiology at University of Colorado at Boulder. **Kiri deLaubenfels,** Minneapolis, is a graduate student in geoscience at Idaho State University. **Andrew Arti,** Madison, WI, is a special student in ecology at University of Wisconsin. **Joe Atkinson,** Lake Crystal, is a staff auditor at Boulay, Houck, and Zibell. **Gina Baratto,** Apple Valley, is materials management coordinator at Thomson West. **Blythe Bittman,** St. Peter, is obtaining a teaching licensure at Minnesota State University, Mankato, A. J. Bouquet, Rochester, is an associate at the Mayo Clinic. **Caleb Bousu,** Burnsville, is an actuary at Thrivent Financial. **Roy Bryan,** Eden, is a graduate student at University of Minnesota Medical School. **Becky Butler,** Rochester, is employed at Wells Fargo. **Joe Cady,** St. Michael, works in advertising and Web design at Target Corp. **Karen Haynes,** Duluth, is a graduate student in forensic science at George Washington University. **Becky Gearmann-Sullivan,** Glencoe, is a veterans service representative for the Department of Veterans Affairs. **Tim Gruenisen,** Madison, WI, is a law student at Marquette University. **Jenny Harry,** Plymouth, is a merchandising planning business analyst at Target Corp. **Molly Hassler,** St. Paul, is a catastrophe risk analyst at Benfield. **Sarah Hawkins,** North Manchester, IN, is a volunteer with Lutheran Volunteer Corps. **Kee Her,** Marshall, is a graduate student in the physician’s assistant program at University of South Dakota. **Lauren Hittle,** Watertown, is a graduate student in secondary education at Hamline University. **Ana Sietsema Huszbozs,** Lindstrom, is working as a substitute teacher for the Protonmold Technology Company, Inc. **Mr. Jay Kaisler,** North Mankato, is a student in graphics production at South Central Technical College. **Irv Kipkay,** Fridley, is a lab technician for Schroeder Co. **Gina Kitchenen,** Bloomington, is front office and PBX operator for Sheraton Bloomington Hotel. **Bobby Kroog,** Bloomington, is sales leader at Unity Business Networks. **Deanna Leeverson,** Alexandria, is a business analyst at Target Corp. **Jamie Keiser,** North Mankato, is a student in forensic science at George Washington University. **Kirsten Lilleness,** Seattle, WA, is a yield management analyst at Alaska Airlines. **Matt Lindner,** Eden Prairie, is a software developer for the Protomold Technology Company, Inc. **Christine Loos,** Moorhead, is an occupational therapy student at College of St. Catherine. **Kate Mallette,** St. Paul, is a volunteer with Lutheran Volunteer Corps. **Seyward Mattson,** Morris, is a student at Luther Seminary. **Cassie Mayne,** Forest Lake, is a staff accountant at Target Corp. **Darin Mays,** Graustark-Sullivan, Mankato, is a gleaning associate at Stockamp & Associates. **Bill McCarthy,** Chugiak, AK, is a fiscal technician at University of Alaska, Anchorage. **Sam Mediger,** Le Sueur, is an account operations assistant at University of Minnesota Medical School. **Dennis Heaton,** St. Louis Park, is an athletic trainer for Ridgeway Medical Clinics. **Karin Hedstrom,** Hastings, NE, is a graduate student at University of Minnesota. **Katie Parks,** Glencoe, is a sales representative for Clearwire. **Mary Furlong,** Edina, an Associated Press reporter who has covered immigration for Minnesota newspapers since the early 1990s, shares the challenges and realities immigrants and refugees face while assimilating to the Upper Midwest. From a front-row seat in the homes, workplaces, and meeting halls of these newcomers, Aamot provides an informative and intimate view of what life is really like for groups that are striving to adapt to a different culture. We are also reminded of how the last major wave of immigrants—who were mostly Europeans—faced similar challenges, helping us to better understand conditions in Minnesota today.
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Golf tourney supports athletic fields
This year’s 510 Open was held at Legends Golf Course in Prior Lake, MN, and hosted by Erik Hendrikson ‘94. The focus of the annual tournament was to raise additional funds for the athletic fields project. A large number of Guslies—including football coaches Jay Schoenebeck ’80 and Tom Brown—showed up to play their best golf and support the effort.

Daniel Dewey ’93, Santa Rosa, CA, has accepted a position through the Pediatric AIDS Corps for Tanzania. The goal of the program, started at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, TX, is to provide HIV/AIDS treatment directly to no fewer than 80,000 African children. After training at Baylor in July and August, Dewey departed for Africa for one year. A former Peace Corps volunteer, he is a graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Medicine and most recently trained at Santa Rosa Family Practice residency program.

Dewey joins Pediatric AIDS Corps

Weddings

Carol A. Johnson ’59 and Don Stone, 9/9/06, Winona, MN.
Katherine Kilgust ’76 and David Marsh, 9/16/06, Covington, WA.
Brenda Kolstad ’84 and Dan Kafka, 7/14/06, Otroville, MN.
Angela Helseth ’86 and Turben Kiese, 5/6/06, Minneapolis, MN.
Sarah J. Johnson ’86 and Craig Reed, St. Paul, MN.
Nancy Richards ’87 and Greg Loffhagen, 7/2/03, Edina, MN.
Luanne Hicks ’91 and Gary Bigbear, 8/17/05, Olympia, WA.
Amy Satter ’91 and Bryan Karl, 9/24/05, Rosemount, MN.

Sean Skinner ’91 and Amy Hessler, Oklahoma City, OK.
Stephen Hultgren ’93 and Heidi Evensen, 8/5/06, Mt. Vernon, NY.
Vanessa Marcy ’93 and Dave Winokur, 5/20/06, Atlanta, GA.
Tami Wunsch ’93 and Nugar Owen, 8/13/06, East Sussex, England.
Laurie Anderson ’94 and Chris Blaschko, 8/26/06, New Prague, MN.
Kari Gillespie ’95 and Jason Mitchell, 9/2/06, Eden Prairie, MN.
Kathleen Edwards ’96 and Paul Siekmeyer, 8/4/06, Richfield, MN.
Christopher Eggers ’96 and Jan Blattner, 10/16/05, San Diego, CA.

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Shannon Kantorowicz '96 and Michael Wakefield
Rebecca Konrad '96 and Faisal Ahmed
Jennifer Krempin '96 and Benjamin Bridgman
Kari Treichel '96 and Mark Schwickerath
Travis Garms '97 and Amy Logan
Amy O'Donnell '97 and A. Alexanian
Andrea Zarate '99 and Brad Roman
Ryan Clausenitzer '00 and Nicole Blake
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The next generation gathers
These Gustie roommates and their growing families gathered over the summer. From the top: Jen Gallus ’97, Mike Logan ’97, Sara Machel Beach ’97 and son Alden, Geoff Goodwin ’96 and daughter Angela, Justin Peik ’97 and son Alex, Alison Rucinski Goodwin ’97 and son Grady, and Elaine Nelson Peik ’97 and son Anders.

Amanda Webb ’02 and Jeremy Rubin, Milwaukee, WI.
Leslie Carlson ’03 and John Pietila, 8/13/06, Richfield, MN.
Elisabeth Eisenmenger ’03 and Josh Omang ’03, 6/24/06, Chaska, MN.
Erin Elling ’03 and Brock Peterson ’03, 5/6/06, Minneapolis, MN.
Sue Halverson ’03 and Jamie Wagner, 8/19/06, Alexandria, MN.
Christina Jeannette ’03 and Tony LePage, 7/29/06, St. Peter, MN.
Jessica Knapp ’03 and Nate Suurmeier ’04, 5/26/06, Maplewood, MN.
Anna Knoblauch ’03 and Phil Bromeland ’03, 6/3/06, Shakopee, MN.
Beth Marinac ’03 and Ryan Watkins ’03, Minneapolis, MN.
Julie Menard ’03 and Guthrie Michael ’04, 9/2/06, Plymouth, MN.
Jennifer Moses ’03 and Bradley Bailey, 8/19/06, Shoreview, MN.
Joanna Olson ’03 and Tyler Kroschel, 7/22/06, Forest Lake, MN.
Kira Rice ’03 and Thomas Hilden ’03, 9/30/06, Eden Prairie, MN.
Abby Roessler ’03 and Steve Edgar, 7/15/06, Apple Valley, MN.
Lisa Smart ’03 and Andrew Bornhorst ’03, 7/15/06, Atlanta, GA.
Anna Weisbecker ’03 and Nathan Milih, 7/8/06, Mendota Heights, MN.
Katherine Dorn ’04 and Joshua Thimjon ’04, 5/27/06, Plymouth, MN.
Amanda Fiscus ’04 and Adam Britz ’03, 8/12/06, Oak Grove, MN.
Jana Knutson ’04 and Chris Wold ’03, St. Louis Park, MN.
Emily Kofoid ’04 and George Brisse, 7/29/06, Cold Spring, MN.
Amy Koskela ’04 and Brian Gullikson, 8/5/06, Eden Prairie, MN.
Leah Neale ’04 and Chris Renne ’04, 7/1/06, St. Paul, MN.
Sarah Nelson ’04 and Corey Conlon, 9/3/06, St. Peter, MN.
Jodi Parks ’04 and Robert Bang ’04, 7/12/06, Woodbury, MN.
Katherine Sandvig ’04 and Gabe Ohrt ’04, 6/24/06, Maple Grove, MN.
Leah Whitworth ’04 and Matt Rich ’05, 9/16/06, St. Paul, MN.
Brenda Westerbur ’04 and Jonathan Gill, 7/9/06, Minneapolis, MN.
Megan Barz ’05 and Chad Dubbe ’06, 8/17/06, Ft. Collins, CO.
Alissa DeHaan ’05 and Colin Wallace, 8/5/06, Broomfield, CO.
Erie Deutchman ’05 and Mark Freeman ’05, 9/30/06, St. Peter, MN.
Andrea Dobosenski ’05 and Brian Reese, 9/2/06, Bloomington, MN.
Kate Duncan ’05 and Tyler Kienow ’04, 8/5/06, Shakopee, MN.
Justin Gleason ’05 and Marissa Gleason, 10/7/05, Greenfield, WI.
Jennifer Hecht ’05 and Jared Stephens ’06, 8/19/06, Minnetonka, MN.
Bethany Hirst ’05 and Mark Jensen ’05, 7/1/06, Council Bluffs, IA.
Eric Jenson ’05 and Sara Huston, 8/11/06, St. Anthony, MN.
Eva Miller ’05 and Evan Christianson ’05, 8/12/06, Ames, IA.
Kelly Quinn ’05 and Matt Fischer, 7/15/06, West St. Paul, MN.
Gemma Soderholm ’05 and Kris Storvick ’05, 6/10/06, Mankato, MN.
Ann Syverson ’05 and Joel Nelson ’05, 7/22/06, Woodbury, MN.
Alyssa Tjosas ’05 and Rob George ’05, 6/17/06, Madison, WI.
Liz Zappetillo ’05 and Jeffrey Lewis, 10/14/06, Shippensburg, PA.
Andrea Busch ’06 and Matt Lyeser ’05, 7/8/06, Minneapolis, MN.
Chandra Daw ’06 and Erich Ziegler ’06, 8/26/06, Duluth, MN.
Gretchin Enich ’06 and Jose Bolivar, 6/10/06, St. Peter, MN.
Dawn Gehlhar ’06 and Philip Williams ’06, 6/17/06, Durham, NC.
Rebecca Graupmann ’06 and Troy Sullivan, 7/29/06, Ginceoe, MN.
Alisha Hussong ’06 and Jeffrey Galle, 6/24/06, Okabena, MN.
Katie Johnson ’06 and Andrew Rudeen, 8/12/06, Hector, MN.
Laura MacPherson ’06 and Loren Hansen ’05, 8/4/06, Minneapolis, MN.
Ana Sietsema ’06 and Mark Huizboes ’06, 9/2/06, Lindstrom, MN.
Staci Spreng ’06 and Dmitry Katakov, 4/2/06, Fridley, MN.
Amy Welshons ’06 and Nick Fox ’06, 6/24/06, Hastings, MN.
Jessica Werner ’06 and Jay McNamee, 6/16/06, Eden Prairie, MN.

Births
Eeyrusalem, by adoption, to Joan Mc Kearman ’81, born 9/13/00, adopted 6/12/06.
Daniel, to Stephanie Kidder King ’84 and Scott King, 1/9/06.
David, to Susan Gersdorf Fackler ’86 and Kurt Fackler ’86, 4/18/06.
Caden, to Liz Weyhmann Freeberg ’86 and Brian Freeberg, 6/27/06.

Roommates reunite
Classmates from the Class of 1998 got together in July to catch up on old times and celebrate new beginnings! Back row from left: Angie Henrikson Fah, Kelly Torfin, Kim Crosby; front row: Stephanie James Hanson, Melissa Johnson, and Karol Afdahl.
Gustavus Alumni

Gusties well represented at the Fringe Festival

During 11 swelteringly hot days of August, Minneapolis transforms any and every theatrical venue into a hothouse performance space. The Minnesota Fringe Festival, now in its 13th year, was developed as a way for independent performers and groups to promote theatrical and artistic works that don’t necessarily fit established categories. More than 150 shows (totaling nearly 800 performances) were presented through the auspices of the 2006 festival.

Given Gustavus Adolphus College’s long history of vibrant academic programs in both theatre (celebrating its 75th anniversary this year) and dance (over 30 years), it is not surprising to find Gustavus well represented in the Fringe. Associate professor and current department chair Amy Seham wrote and directed her fourth Fringe show, Mysterious Bruises, which is loosely based on the fabricated kidnapping of a university student. Three Gustavus alumni—Joshua Boertje ’06, Sarah Hawkins ’06, and John Zeiler ’06—and current student Jennifer Flitter ’07 were involved in the project from the beginning. The play, which was stage-managed by current student Ellie Bash ’07, was written expressly for this foursome, and the characters were closely related to the actors themselves. The final product was provocative, sharply etched, strongly performed, and well-received by the audiences.

Alex, the Boy Scout (and other stories) was written by Nathan Morse ’03 and directed by Kevin Hansen ’06 for Topsy-Turvy Theatre, which was founded in 2004 by Alex Guik ’02, Jessica Knapp ’03, and Maria Lopez ’04. The cast included current Gustavus student Noemi Lopez ’07 and alumni performers Cory Booth ’01, Nathan Borka ’04, Matt Hoppe ’01, Jessica Knapp ’03, M. Maria Lopez ’04, Jesse Ray ’05, and Liv Roque ’06. This zany collection of five short “episodes” ranged from a David Ives-like encounter in a park, to a surreal encounter with computer culture, to a parody of Romeo and Juliet.

Nicole Chrissoytimos Devereaux ’01 played the leading role in The Botanist’s Wife. Based on a poignant exchange of letters between a scientist/explorer and his home-bound wife, the play revealed both the pain and the love of an unconventional couple through 50 years of marriage. In Hopes of Claudia could best be summarized as “the Bible according to Kevin Kling ’79”—a brilliant, funny, moving account of Kevin’s encounter with death, using Bible stories as metaphoric vehicles for his own experience.

Maria Gomez-Tierney, visiting assistant professor of dance and director of the Gomez Dance Group (GDG), choreographed Men & Women. Reviewing the show on the festival’s audience-review website, Alison Anderson ’05 characterized it as “a must-see exploration of relationships.” Performing with GDG were alumni Lynn Hoffman ’01 and current student Jennifer Jacobson ’07. The show, which was stage-managed by Nick Dillenberg ’05, premiered two new works and re-envisioned Gomez Tierney’s class work, Bordenland. Her exquisite skill in choreographing partnering was most evident in the premiere of Touched. Anderson wrote that this duet “draws you in with an intense connection between two men. Their physical give and take is both abrasive and comforting.” The Gustavus Dance Company will perform two of these dances in its annual spring concert on campus.

Fringe blogger John Munger, reviewing Moment of Life, presented by DRP Dance, wrote, “From the first moment when gorgeous Sara Stevenson ’99 breezes into the space with cheeky abandon to an engaging cut of bluegrass music, the tone of skilled craftsmanship made watchable is set.” The cast also included alumni dancers Nate Saul ’98 and Laurie White ’96. Munger went on to summarize the performance as “intelligent, lyrical, absorbing, and danced with clarity and mastery by an extraordinarily fine quintet of performers.”

Ashleigh Penrod ’04 performed in the madcap post-modern Pomo Looks Like Porno, Deluxe, presented by Mad King Thomas. A classic Fringe show defying all descriptions, this show featured mannequins, shoes, shampoo, and a flashy rundown on authority, convention, and consumption.

The Fringe Festival, according to City Pages reviewer Quinton Skinner, has “gone from eclectic to indescribable.” Gustavus playwrights, choreographers, dancers, directors, and actors were well represented this year (and this article has undoubtedly overlooked some!) as the festival reached more than 45,000 audience members.
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http://ihrc.umn.edu/events/0611huie.htm
Exploring a diverse Lutheran Church
““A Mighty Fortress” Far from Lake Wobegon: 21st Century Lutherans at the
Confluence of Religion and Ethnicity” is the title of an exhibit created by photog-
rapher Wing Young Huie and ethnomusicologist Allison Adrian ’99 currently show-
ing in the Andersen Library Gallery on the University of Minnesota’s West Bank
through the auspices of the Immigration History Research Center (IHRC). Adrian,
who is in the final year of a Ph.D. program in ethnomusicology/musicology at the
University of Minnesota, recently began collaborating with Wing to capture photo-
graphic images of her research on recently formed Lutheran immigrant congrega-
tions in the Twin Cities area.
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miunities have formed Lutheran congregations in the metro area along ethnic and
utural photos, audio-visual recordings, and hymnals from 20 different
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urban landscape and challenge long-held assumptions about who Minnesota
Lutherans are."
The exhibit, which is open to the public without charge, runs from November 6
through the end of December. The Andersen Gallery, located on the first floor of
the Elmer L. Andersen Library, is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday through
Friday. For more information about the exhibit and a glimpse of some of the fea-
tered photos, visit the IHRC’s website at

Hany, to Linda Green ’86 and Ken Breheim, 8/30/06.
Kevin, to Kevin Hick ’86 and Heidi Schmitter-Hicock, 4/23/05.
Alison, to Paul Legaard ’86 and Maria Legaard, 11/14/05.
Bartholomew, to Debra Jo Johnson Sathrum ’86 and John Sathrum ’86, 6/10/05.
Viktor, to Bradley Johnson ’87 and Andrea Kowal, 12/2/05.
Marissa, by adoption from Columbia, to Jeff and Kristi Lund Picken ’87, born 1/28/05, adopted 6/05.
Sophia, to Dave Dyak ’89 and Janis Dyak, 8/8/05.
Elijah, to Michelle Wallner Jibben ’89 and Jeffrey Jibben ’88, 5/12/05.
Twins, Claire and Lauren, to Christopher Montague ’89 and Shannon Montague, 10/11/2005.
Rachel, to Janell Puumala Niskanen ’89 and Dale Niskanen, 10/21/05.
Bethany, to Pam Puhl-Quinn ’89 and Richard Quin, 11/21/05.
Grace, to Maureen McGinnis Ryan ’90 and Matthew Ryan, 7/22/06.
John, to Amanda Peters Tenwinkel ’90 and William Tenwinkel, 5/2/06.
Campbell, to Barb Otte Bowrowman ’91 and Adam Bowrowman, 2/8/05.
Charles, to Mike Downing ’91 and Kathy Downing, 12/8/05.
Katherine, to Heather Broman Magowan ’91 and William Magowan ’94, 12/26/05.
Macy, to Lois McBroon ’91 and Mary Harder, 1/7/06.
Joseph, to Mike Mosiman ’91 and Stacy Mosiman, 10/20/05.
Joseph, to Amy Schreiner Puelc ’91 and Ken Puelc, 12/1/05.
Paige, to Tim J. Johnson ’92 and Kathleen Johnson, 6/10/06.
Zane, to Gillian Sano-Giles ’92 and Michio Sano, 5/21/06.
Olivia, to Mark Swanson ’92 and Julia Swanson, 4/5/06.
Tanner, to Todd Thomas ’92 and Lisa Thoms, 9/1/06.
Charlotte, to Tami Jergenson Wold ’92 and Peter Wold ’92, 4/25/06.
Samantha, to Sheryl Gstdal-Chaney ’93 and Bradwell Chaney, 12/28/04.
Nathaniel, to Jane Simonsen ’93 and Michael J. Augspurger, 6/25/06.
Tyler, to Jennifer Brown Weber ’93 and Eric Weber ’95, 8/5/06.
Nora, to Eric Wood ’93 and Emily Wood, 7/20/06.
James, by adoption, to John Yarwood ’93 and Julie Yarwood, born 3/20/06, adopted 7/21/06.
Grayson, to Scott Zum ’93 and Lynn Zum, 12/5/05.
Haley, to Staci Johnson Bauer ’94 and Michael Bauer, 2/16/06.
Benett, to Heidi Block Zemek ’94 and Chuck Zemek ’95, 5/10/06.
Tyler, to Jennifer Buchek Beumer ’95 and Chris Beumer ’92, 6/15/05.
Soren, to Rachel Vandersteen Hennies ’95 and Mike Hennies ’95, 7/20/06.
Delaney, to Amy Tartaglia Johns ’95 and Matthew Johns, 3/1/06.
Marek, to Katy Merrick Overtoom ’95 and Matt Overtoom, 8/9/06.
Parker, to Palge Tierney Sullivan ’95 and Casey Sullivan, 9/13/06.
Patrick, to Becky Stittlow Cunningham ’96 and Joe Cunningham, 7/6/05.
Broiana, to Angela McCoy Dahlé ’96 and Thom Dahlé, 10/23/05.
Sophie, to Stephanie Maass Evenson ’96 and Paul Evenson, 1/31/06.
Nora, to Kristina Hultgren Fredrick ’96 and Kris Fredrick ’96, 4/19/06.
Madison, to Katherine Haugland Gatchell ’96 and Dan Gatchell, 5/14/06.
Elliot, to Derek Kuehl ’96 and Anne Kuehl, 6/3/05.
Alyssa, to Adam Nachand ’96 and Allison Nachand, 7/30/06.
Avery, to Michelle Baker Newman ’96 and Brent Newman ’93, 5/12/06.
Isabelle, to Mark Ohlman ’96 and Heidi Ohlman, 9/7/06.
Kyle, to Kimberly Baudy Patterson ’96 and Carl Patterson, 6/29/06.
Mackenzie, to Laura LeVander Peters ’96 and Mark Peters, 3/13/06.
Rosemary, to Sara Puutinen ’96 and Scott T. Anderson ’96, 3/29/06.
Lindsey, to Kim Lacher Rauk ’96 and Jason Rauk ’96, 9/7/06.
Jacob, to Pillar Gimenez Stone ’96 and Patrick G. Stone ’98, 4/7/06.
Aidan, to Kristen Richardson Wilcox ’96 and Kyle Wilcox, 1/31/06.
Trygg, to Heidi Shelmur Bredlow ’97 and Bruce Bredlow, 4/22/05.
Tristan, to Rachel Cox Falkowski ’93 and Bradley Falkowski, 6/7/06.
London, to Brad Garry ’97 and Stacey Garry, 8/8/06.
Isabella, to Kristi Reild Granacher ’97 and Jorg Granacher, 2/8/06.
Teaching twosome
Brooke Bemmels '02 (left) and Julia Mahin '02 went through their education courses together and are now teaching at New Spirit Primary School, an inner-city St. Paul charter school in the Frogtown area. The photo was taken at the kindergarten graduation of their two classes.

Backcountry boys
Classmates from the Class of 2002 (from left) Steve Torrey, Dennis Griebenow, Peter Lofgren, and Trevor Johnson are pictured on their annual backpacking trip. This year the trip took them to Glacier National Park in Montana, where they were photographed on top of a peak along the continental divide. The guys (along with Jacob Anderson '02, who was unable to attend this year due to his graduate studies) have made a yearly tradition of getting into the backcountry since graduation and have so far visited the backcountry of Yosemite N.P., Yellowstone N.P., Olympic N.P., and now Glacier N.P. “While on this trip,” notes Trevor, “we also ran into Pam Kittelson from the biology department on the trail but unfortunately did not think to take a group picture together!”

Elliot, to Karla Ash Lien '97 and Brian Lien '98, 7/25/06.
Anders, to Elaine Nelson Peik '97 and Justin Peik '97, 3/8/06.
Andrew, to Anna Lenz Sammelson '97 and Rob Sammelson '96, 8/20/06.
Brady, to Jenny Sue Abbott Smith '97 and Ryan Smith, 2/15/06.
Jacob, to Josh Swenson '97 and Jill Swenson, 8/14/06.
Tegan, to April Smith Goodman '98 and Dan Goodman, 4/23/06.
Jayce, to Kristi Shuck Kiehne '97 and Benjamin Kiehne '97, 7/10/05.
Elsa, to Terra Shockman '98 and Blake Larson, 7/21/06.
Sydney, to Stephanie Johns Thiede '98 and Mike Thiede '99, 4/7/06.
Ian, to Kira Showalter Weier '98 and Matt Weier '98, 9/25/05.
Sevi, to Allison Adrian '99 and Spencer Gerberding, 6/13/06.
Boston, to Becky Carlson Brand '99 and Brian Brand, 8/15/06.
Lucy, to Chanda Walker Hall '99 and Brent Hall, 7/25/06.
Ruby, to Amy Benson Heilman '99 and Roy Heilman '00, 7/21/06.
Kayla, to Kristin Knutson Kajer '99 and Rece Kajer, 6/10/06.
Henry, to Margaret Ormesher Kirkwood '99 and Kevin Kirkwood, 5/13/06.
Andrew, to Kristi Mechelke Kramer '99 and Mark Kramer, 2/25/06.
Ella, to Kathryn Heins Wurster '99 and Miles Wurster '98, 1/12/06.
Olivia, to Katie Carter Delly '00 and Matt Delly, 8/1/06.
Joseph, to Jess Stewart Madsen '00 and Thomas Madsen '00, 7/27/06.

Gustavus Alumni

In Memoriam
Ruth Olson Johnson '28, Mukilteo, WA, on August 30, 2006.
Ethel Pehrsom '30, Los Angeles, CA, on October 31, 2006. She was professor of music at Gustavus from 1950-1976.
Margaret Jensen Gillham '32, St. Paul, MN. She is survived by one daughter.
Chet Thompson '35, Sun City, AZ, on September 23, 2006. He was a retired manufacturer’s representative for Jostens and is survived by his wife, Maxine, and three children.
Leo A. Nelson '38, Ortonville, MN, on September 2, 2006. He was a retired teacher and is survived by two children.
Margaret Hanson Wilson Brown '39, Litchfield, MN, on October 10, 2006. She was a retired church choir director.

Joyce Westrom Hilary ’41, Minneapolis, MN, on September 6, 2006. She had served many metropolitan churches as organist. Her husband, Frederic, taught music at Gustavus and founded the Gustavus Symphony Band. She is survived by a sister, Betty Skold ’49.

Marilyn Hubberg ’43, St. Anthony Park, MN, on August 22, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Opal, and two daughters.

John C. Ranseen ’46, Sun City West, AZ, on May 1, 2006. He was a retired insurance agent.

Perwin Knutson ’48, Sioux Falls, SD, on October 28, 2006. He was a retired employee of the Small Business Administration and is survived by his wife, Viola, five daughters, and one son.

John L. Sanstead ’48, Hastings, MN, on September 23, 2006. He was retired from Hastings ISD #200 and is survived by his wife, Ardene (Halk ’51), and two sons.

Harlan E. Schmidt ’48, Lake Washington, MN, on July 9, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Hazel, and three sons.

Leonard Torkelson ’48, Baldwin, WI, on October 21, 2006. He was a retired social studies teacher from Osseo ISD and is survived by his wife, Bev (Runez ’51), two daughters, and one son.

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The path from Gustavus to the World Bank has been “interesting, to say the least,” Rebecca Konrad ‘96 admits. It took the mathematics major from two years living in West Africa, without running water and electricity, to actuarial work at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota and, finally, to a career as an investment officer with the private sector arm of the World Bank in Washington, D.C. Her record of investment accomplishments along the way has not compromised her passion for helping others, and that combination resonated with the Gustavus Alumni Association, which recognized her during Homecoming/Reunion Weekend with a First Decade Award for early professional accomplishment.

Konrad joined the Peace Corps after graduating from Gustavus and spent two years teaching math to rural high school students in the Republic of Guinea, West Africa, where she also coordinated community activities, trained incoming Peace Corps volunteers for the nearby country of Burkina Faso, and established the first-ever girls’ soccer program in Tougué, Guinea. Returning to the United States when her term of service ended in 1998, she accepted a position as an actuarial analyst at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota and subsequently received the corporation’s highest employee award for developing a customized structure to price Blue Cross’s 40 largest group health insurance accounts.

In 2001 Konrad began studying for her MBA at the University of Minnesota’s Carlson School of Management. It was there that she developed an interest in financial markets and fixed income funds. She helped establish and became the first managing director of the Carlson School Fixed Income Fund, one of the largest student-run fixed income funds in the nation and the first such fund at the University of Minnesota. Besides developing the accounting policies and setting up the necessary infrastructure, she managed the fund’s initial $5 million position in mortgage-backed securities. In 2003 she was unanimously selected Outstanding Finance Student of the Year by the faculty for exceptional academic and professional achievement.

Konrad took a position with ING Investment Management after completing her MBA studies in 2003. While only at ING for a year, the experience helped her develop skills in corporate credit analysis. In the summer of 2004, she was one of 15 MBAs selected from more than 10,000 applicants worldwide to be an investment officer for the Global Transaction Team of the International Finance Corporation, the private sector arm of the World Bank. Her work at the World Bank allows her the opportunity to both use her investment management skills and pursue her passion for international development. During her first year, she was involved with a unique $1 billion collateralized loan obligation project that will enable institutional investors in the United States and Europe to put capital into projects in emerging markets.

Currently, Konrad is a member of the International Finance Corporation’s infrastructure department, where she evaluates debt and equity investments in companies that provide water, electricity, and transport services in developing and emerging market countries including Brazil, Ghana, Egypt, India, and China.

2006 First Decade Award Nominees

In addition to First Decade Award recipients Rebecca Konrad ’96 and Milo Martin ’96, other nominee finalists included:

Women
Leah Abraham, Santiago, Solola, Guatemala, founding member, chief of staff and staff physician, Hospitalito Atitlan; Angela McCoy Dahl, Apple Valley, MN, M.D., Division of Rheumatic and Autoimmune Diseases, Department of Medicine, University of Minnesota; Viktoria Larson Davis, Madelia, MN, optometrist/owner, Madelia Optometric, Inc.; Ellen Korbach, Shoreview, MN, principal business analyst, neurological global supply chain, Medtronic, Inc.; Kayan Lewis, San Antonio, TX, clinical assistant professor, Department of Pediatrics, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio; Ann Brandl Rippentrop, Iowa City, IA, clinical health psychologist, Iowa Spring Research and Rehabilitation Center, Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics; Kirstin Hastad Specht, Trumbull, CT, manager of marketing division, Lincoln-Mercury; Kathleen Vohs, Minneapolis, MN, assistant professor, marketing and logistics management, Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota.
Modern microprocessors have hundreds of millions of transistors, and First Decade Award recipient Milo M.K. Martin '96 is researching new ways to use those transistors to give us even faster computers. Martin is a member of the faculty at the University of Pennsylvania performing research on shared-memory multiprocessor architectures. As the expertise and research interests of scientists can be so technically advanced that only other scientists might understand and describe their work, let Max Hailperin, professor of mathematics and computer science at Gustavus and his undergraduate adviser, make things clear about the significance of Martin's research:

It’s hard to imagine a more commercially important area of computer architecture research today than the question of how multiple processors can communicate and coordinate their activities through a shared memory system. The makers of microprocessors are finding it increasingly difficult to increase the speed of each individual processor; at the same time they are gaining the ability to fit more processors on each chip. The result is that all major performance gains today, whether in small, single-chip personal computers or large supercomputers, are coming from the harnessing together of multiple processors. Given the current trend toward multiple processors per chip, there is reason to expect that single-processor systems will soon be obsolete. At that point, [Milo] Martin's work will be relevant to the design of every class of computer systems, and will help the architects of those systems confront one of the most difficult design problems they face.

After graduating from Gustavus, Martin went on to graduate study in computer science at the University of Wisconsin, conducting research in microprocessor architecture for seven years. Upon earning a Ph.D. in 2003, he took a tenure-track position at Penn, an Ivy League school located in Philadelphia. Already his work has had a significant impact on academic and industrial research into designs for shared-memory multiprocessor systems, based upon more than a dozen scholarly publications in the proceedings of top conferences (the most prestigious venues in his field) and journals, invited lectures at several universities and industrial design centers, and an article selected for IEEE Micro's 2003 "Top Picks" issue based on his dissertation research.

Martin's 2003 conference paper on token coherence protocols (based on his dissertation research) is widely regarded as having opened up an important new area of design possibilities. At a number of top universities, this paper is now one of the required readings in the graduate seminar on computer architecture, standing alongside the classics of the field. Organizers of the 2005 International Conference on Computer Design, a premier conference in the field, showed their regard for Martin's intellectual leadership by soliciting an "invited paper" from him to serve as a highlight of the technical program—a rare occurrence.

Martin is now looking toward simplifying software development for advanced computer architectures, in part supported by a recently awarded $400,000 project grant from the National Science Foundation.

First Decade Award – Milo Martin '96

Designing faster computers
Second-generation Gusties, 2006

Alumni whose offspring arrived at Gustavus this fall are listed alphabetically, with their sons or daughters named below.

Brett Aamot ’82
Daughter, Briá
Willmar, MN

Laurie Anderson ’81
Son, Brian
Owatonna, MN

Tom and Torrey Holmen
Asp ’84 ’84
Daughter, Michelle
Edina, MN

Barbara Davis Augustinack ’76
Son, Christopher
Apple Valley, MN

Wendy Wiebusch Berthelsen ’80
Daughter, Amara
Midlothian, TX

Kris Swenson Glidden ’81
Daughter, Ashley Biermann
St. Peter, MN

Steve and Brenda Rogers
Bohlig ’77 ’78
Daughter, Brittani
Minnetonka, MN

Paul and Susan Erlandson
Breckner ’82 ’83
Son, Jack
Wayzata, MN

Sonja Swenson Brigger ’74
Son, Tyler
New Ulm, MN

Marcia Styrlund Broman ’79
Daughter, Jennifer
Bloomington, MN

David and Bonnie Madsen
Brueshoff ’77 ’79
Daughter, Amanda
Apple Valley, MN

David and Carolyn DeWitt
Carlson ’82 ’83
Daughter, Katherine
Plymouth, MN

John and Linnea Anderson
Chrest ’80 ’80
Son, Jeffrey
Waconia, MN

Deborah Sawyer Cook ’78
Daughter, Chelsea
Waterloo, MN

Brownlee Cote ’63
Son, Henry
Aspen, CO

Jane Burman Cummings ’79
Daughter, Katie
Aitkin, MN

Brian Davis ’72
Daughter, Kathryn
Apple Valley, MN

Lee and MarJlane Loken
Dummer ’76 ’76
Daughter, Laura
Crystal, MN

Kim Dunlap ’84
Daughter, Jill VanOs dul
Marquette, MI

Mark Elefson ’77
Daughter, Sarah
Andover, MN

Jennifer Paulson Engle ’83
Daughter, Emalise
Andover, MN

William Hansen ’77
Daughter, Alyssa
Bloomington, MN

Gary and Renee Langendorf
Gosewisch ’78 ’79
Daughter, Amy
Victoria, MN

William Lindquist ’73 ’74
Son, Nolan
Montrose, MN

Patricia Hande Hartman ’72
Son, Andrew
Eagan, MN

Jonathan Hilding ’84
Son, Benjamin
Hudson, WI

Greg Hilding ’81
Son, Derek
Spicer, MN

Mark and Mary Hannon
Jaeger ’77 ’77
Son, Jack
Red Wing, MN

Marlene Schmidt Jilek ’79
Daughter, Anna
Mankato, MN

Kelly Rome Johnson ’84
Daughter, Katelyn
Midlothian, TX

Lisa Louisiana Kramrath ’82
Son, Jonathan
Hutchinson, MN

Timothy and Sarah Christenson
Larson ’78 ’80
Daughter, Anne
Rochester, MN

Bradford and Allison McCormack
Lee ’80 ’81
Daughter, Linde
Eagan, MN

David and Dagni Johnson
Lee ’83 ’82
Son, Ryan
Woodbury, MN

Laura Grashorn Linstrand ’80
Daughter, Katherine
New Brighton, MN

Bev Nelson Ludvig ’75
Daughter, Kelli
St. Charles, MN

Nancy Lofthus McDonald ’82
Daughter, Morgan
Eagan, MN

Dan and Lynn Lutz
McGinty ’84 ’84
Son, Ryan
Shoreview, MN

Carl Monson ’74
Daughter, Ruth
Maple Grove, MN

Philip Nelson ’82
Son, Lane
Lakeville, MN

Skott and Joanne Hardman
Nielson ’77 ’80
Daughter, Kelsey
Duluth, MN

Dean Nissen ’77
Son, Lucas
Hutchinson, MN

Laurie Schrupp Noennig ’86
Son, Blake
Norwood, MN

Connie Haintin O’Brien ’81
Daughter, Kelly
Golden Valley, MN

Susan Link O’Connell ’77
Daughter, Hayley
Excelsior, MN

Beth Lundin Palm ’82
Son, Adam
Baldwin, WI

Thomas Parmelee ’78
Son, Thomas
St. Paul, MN

Kenneth and Jo Manbeck-Patzoldt ’76 ’76
Daughter, Brynden
Grand Rapids, MN

Timothy Petlon ’81
Daughter, Allison
Owatonna, MN

Paul and Laurie Medhaug
Peterson ’79 ’75
Daughter, Caitlin
Chippewa Falls, WI

Jim and Susan Erickson
Peterson ’81 ’82
Daughter, Laura
Minnetonka, MN

Lori Ehlen Rebers ’82
Daughter, Andrea
Prior Lake, MN

Linda Beck Retka ’70
Daughter, Andrea
Shoreview, MN

William Schnell ’77
Daughter, Katherine
Duluth, MN

Robert and Beth Sparboe
Schnell ’81 ’82
Daughter, Sara
Wayzata, MN

Susan Bold Schumacher ’81
Daughter, Allison
Plymouth, MN

Scot Schwanke ’75
Daughter, Rachel
Burnsville, MN

Wayne and Judy Josephson
Sommer ’75 ’75
Son, Kyle
Stillwater, MN

Thomas and Peg Johnson
Spehar ’80 ’80
Son, Thomas
Duluth, MN

Nancy Mork Stewart ’72
Son, Christopher
Hector, MN

Randall and Elizabeth Onkka
Stuckey ’83 ’81
Daughter, Rachel
St. Peter, MN

Steve and Theresa Von Mosch
Swanson ’80 ’80
Son, Casey
Bloomington, MN

Mark Taylor ’78
Daughter, Gretchen
Mankato, MN

Richard Toppin ’80
Son, Adam
Plymouth, MN

James Turner ’73
Son, Steven
Mound, MN

David West ’68
Daughter, Karen
South St. Paul, MN

Mark and Joanne Scott
Zard ’77 ’77
Son, Adam
Caledonia, MN
This summer President Bush signed a bill letting those who care about Gustavus make charitable contributions in 2006 and 2007 directly from their IRAs. The law opens new possibilities this year and next, so it is important to act soon.

Here are the details:
Up to $100,000 per year may be transferred directly to a charitable organization like Gustavus without the usual tax implications. Both spouses may make similar transfers if each has an IRA. This opportunity is available to IRA owners who are 70 or older. The tax provision ends December 31, 2007, so the window of opportunity is open for 2006 and 2007 only.

If your tax adviser says, “You’ve given all you can this year,” this law may be an opportunity to give much more, an “over and above” gift not limited by other tax laws.

For more information about this special opportunity, talk to your tax adviser, your IRA custodian, and one of the Gustavus gift planning staff (see picture and contact information on page 32).
arts on campus

The Gustavus Wind Orchestra performs during the Family Weekend Concert, which also featured the Gustavus Choir, the Gustavus Symphony Orchestra, and the Lucia Singers. Photo by Tom Roster.