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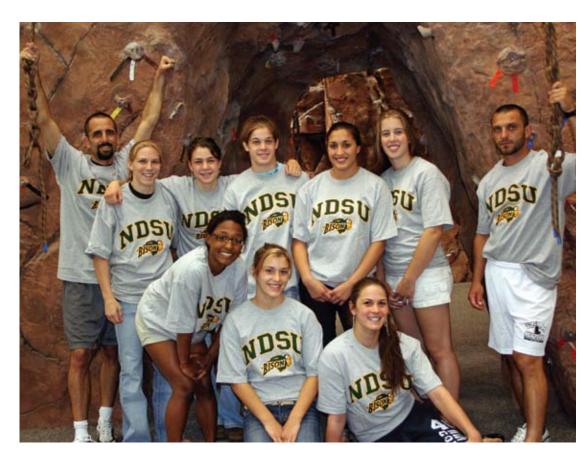


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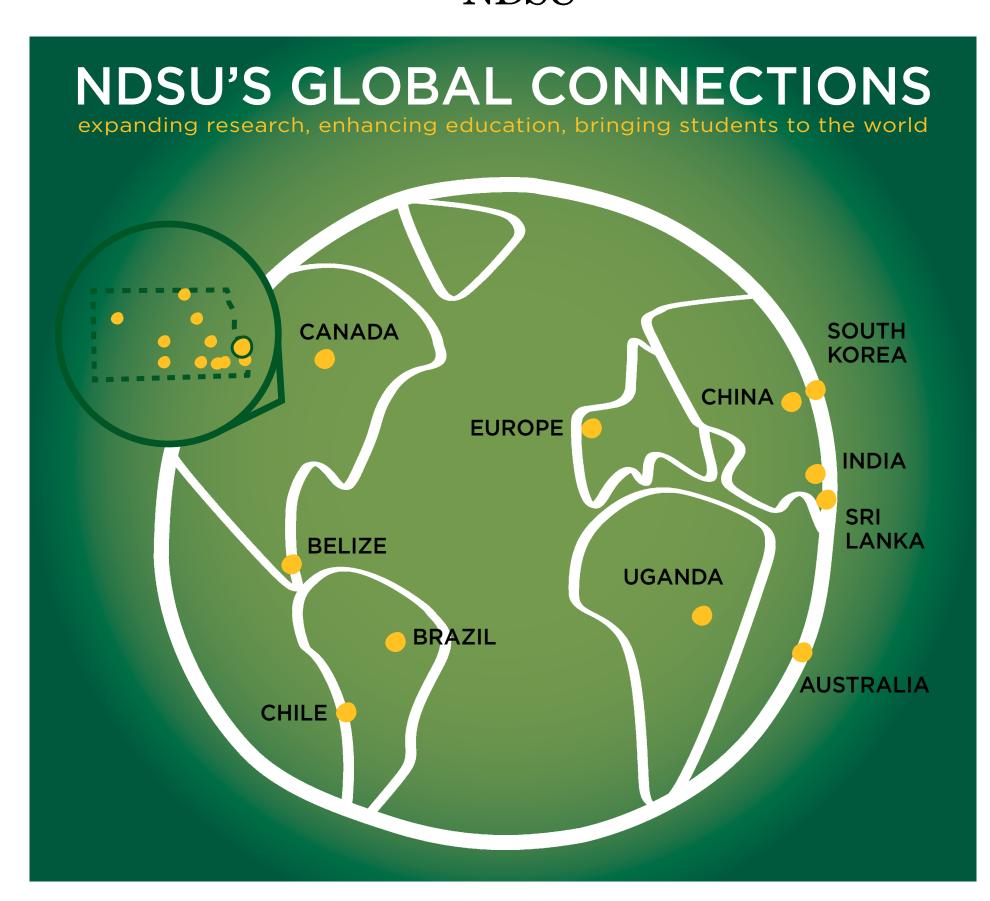
The FILA Women's Junior World Wrestling Team spent time training at NDSU as part of the USA Wrestling Tournament. They also mentored other female wrestlers here attending a camp, and here show their Bison colors in front of the climbing pinnacle at the Wallman Wellness Center.



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## **NDSU**





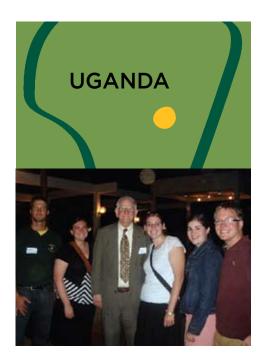
# NDSU delegation travels to Uganda



NDSU President Joseph Chapman and his wife, Gale; David Wittrock, dean of the graduate school; Kerri Spiering, director of international programs; Marinus Otte, chair of the NDSU biological sciences department; and Doug Freeman, chair of veterinary and microbiology, traveled to Uganda in July to meet with Makerere University administrators and faculty about establishing a partnership that would allow students from both institutions to earn dual degrees in the area of veterinary sciences and microbiology.

Makerere University in Kampala is Uganda's premier institution of higher education with a student population of more than 30,000. It ranks as one of the largest in East and Central Africa and plays an important role in the East Africa Consortium that includes the countries of Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi. There also are relationships developing with Sudan and Ethiopia.

THIS SIGNIFICANT CULTURAL EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITY FOR NDSU AND MAKERERE UNIVERSITY FACULTY AND STUDENTS WILL ALLOW THE INSTITUTIONS TO ESTABLISH EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND DEVELOP RESEARCH COLLABORATIONS. NDSU ANTICIPATES THAT A CONTINUING PARTNERSHIP WITH MAKERERE WILL HAVE A BROAD IMPACT IN OUR REGION.



Margaret Khaitsa, assistant professor in the NDSU Department of Veterinary and Microbiological Sciences, and Robert Barigye, pathologist in the veterinary diagnostic services lab, initiated a partner-ship between NDSU and Makerere that resulted in the creation of a four-week course in Uganda for graduate and undergraduate United States' students studying veterinary and microbiological sciences. The course, "International Animal Production, Disease Surveillance and Public Health," was offered in the summers of 2007 and 2008. Thirteen students participated this year from schools including NDSU, Kansas State University, The Ohio State University, Oklahoma State University and University of Minnesota.

A dual degree, graduate level program should be in place at NDSU and Makerere University by fall 2009. This significant cultural exchange opportunity for NDSU and Makerere University faculty and students will allow the institutions to establish educational programs and develop research collaborations. NDSU anticipates that a continuing partnership with Makerere will have a broad impact in our region.

The NDSU delegation also met with about 200 high school students and had dinner with high school counselors. One high school already has shown interest in having NDSU student teachers teach in their classrooms. Makerere also is interested in having NDSU help it create an extension service model



SEVERAL AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED WITH EIGHT UNIVERSITIES IN SOUTH KOREA IN MAY.

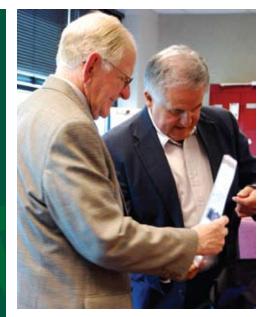
THE SCHOOLS HAVE SIMILAR GOALS AS NDSU: TO EXPAND RESEARCH AND ENHANCE STUDENT

AWARENESS OF DIFFERENT CULTURES. ABOUT 40 STUDENTS FROM KOREA ARE ENROLLED

AT NDSU, AND THAT NUMBER IS EXPECTED TO MORE THAN DOUBLE.

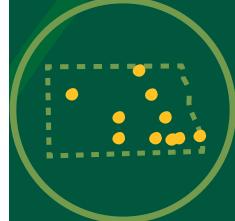
PRESIDENT JOSEPH A. CHAPMAN SIGNED TWO MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CHINESE UNIVERSITIES IN MAY, WHEN A CHINESE DELEGATION FROM HUNAN PROVINCE VISITED NDSU. HUNAN PROVINCE IS IN SOUTHEAST CHINA, AND THE UNIVERSITIES IN THE AGREEMENTS EACH HAVE ABOUT 30,000 STUDENTS.







# NORTH DAKOTA CONNECTIONS



# Officials visit N.D. tribal colleges

President Joseph A. Chapman and several NDSU representatives visited North Dakota tribal colleges July 30 through Aug. 1 to develop partnerships at each college that will allow both institutions to capitalize on the strengths of each other.

"Through our shared vision, we will move forward in the same strategic direction creating new and exciting opportunities for students, faculty and staff at each of our institutions," Chapman said.

Representatives discussed opportunities for American Indian students and explored opportunities to educate NDSU faculty and staff about the goals and history of each tribal college. Participants also talked about extension opportunities and online distance education opportunities.

Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs; Kate Haugen, associate vice president for student affairs; Janna Stoskopf, dean of student life; Evie Myers, chief diversity officer; Jaclynn Davis-Wallette, director of multicultural student services; Duane Hauck, extension director; and Najla Amundson, director of media relations, accompanied Chapman on the visits to Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Fort Totten, N.D.; Turtle Mountain Community College, Belcourt, N.D.; Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates, N.D.; United Tribes Technical College, Bismarck, N.D.; and Fort Berthold Community College, New Town, N.D.



## Chapman leads 'Conversations' tour

President Joseph A. Chapman led a Conversations Across the Land tour throughout southeastern North Dakota on June 10, visiting alumni, friends and community members in Valley City, Oakes, Rutland and the Bagg Bonanza Historical Farm near Mooreton.

Fifty-two administrators traveled to the gatherings to meet alumni and friends and tour locations such as the Irrigation Research Site near Oakes, and a small business near Cayuga, Dakota Micro Inc.

President Chapman spoke at the morning coffee, a lunch and a dinner.

"We cannot be the successful land-grant research university North Dakota needs without you," President Chapman told audiences in the three towns.

## NDSU breaks ground for agriculture research facilities

NDSU officials, North Dakota's governor and other dignitaries thrust their shovels into piles of soil in wheelbarrows May 30, symbolically breaking ground for two agriculture research facilities.

The Beef Cattle Research Center, 19th Avenue North and Interstate 29, will allow NDSU to expand its research on nutrition, physiology, animal health, genetics, meat science, nutrition management, food safety and economics. It will be one of only four research centers in North America with equipment to measure cattle's individual feed intake, which will help identify ways to cut feed costs, and improve feed efficiency and profitability.

The Greenhouse Facility, 15th Avenue and 18th Street North, will facilitate innovative research that will lead to development of higher-yielding and higher-quality crops, which will benefit producers and businesses through increased productivity and sales.

NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman said both facilities will have major and far-reaching effects on research in livestock and plant science.

D.C. Coston, vice president for agriculture and university extension, said the two new facilities will allow the university's talented faculty and staff to do the work they've done so well, but do it faster and better.

Jerry Effertz, State Board of Agricultural Research and Education chairman, said these facilities will enable NDSU to maintain the highest levels of research in food production, which is critical to the entire world.



The North Dakota Legislature has provided \$9 million for the Greenhouse Facility and \$1 million in spending authority for the Beef Cattle Research Center. NDSU also has raised money for the facilities locally, including \$2.5 million for the Greenhouse Facility.

Gov. John Hoeven praised NDSU's efforts to work with commodity groups and others in the agriculture industry to raise money for the new facilities. "That's the kind of critical mass we need statewide," he said.

### Burnett named full-time women's studies director



Ann Burnett, associate professor at NDSU, is full-time director of the Department of Women's Studies. She had the role half time, along with a faculty appointment in the Department of Communication.

She will focus on developing the women's studies academic program, including attracting students to the major and minor, providing additional class offerings and fund raising. "The Women's Studies program has a great deal to offer for many students on campus. This full-time position will allow me the opportunity to create and promote women's studies to its full potential," Burnett said.

Burnett joined NDSU in 1997 and was named part-time women's studies director in 2002. Her research interests are examining how women communicate about the fast-pace of life and on how rape cultures are fostered on college campuses.

Originally from Colorado, she earned a bachelor's degree in economics at Colorado College and a master's degree in communication at the University of Northern Colorado. She earned her doctorate in communication at the University of Utah, studying jury decision making.

# Job Service introduces FindJobsND.com

Job Service North Dakota has launched North Dakota's enhanced career Web site, featuring more than 14,000 available jobs and more than 10,000 resumes of potential job candidates.

"FindJobsND.com stands out among other job search Web sites because it is the largest site completely dedicated to North Dakota and the local labor market," Gov. John Hoeven said in introducing the site in July. "In addition to the online services, job seekers and employers can receive personal assistance with their job or candidate searches from 16 Job Service offices statewide."

FindJobsND.com fills a vital role for businesses that say finding employees is one of their top challenges in North Dakota, where the unemployment rate is one of the lowest in the nation. The goal of the enhanced Web site is to facilitate more successful matches between businesses and the employees they need

## NDSU announces new online degrees for fall 2008

North Dakota State University Distance and Continuing Education announced four new online degrees.

Bachelor's degrees in sociology and university studies, and master's degrees in communication and construction management are available now.

NDSU now offers a total of 16 fully online degree and certificate programs. Master's degree options offered online include: community development, dietetics, family financial planning, family and consumer sciences education, gerontology, and merchandising. Online graduate certificates are offered in: family financial planning, food protection, gerontology, merchandising, and software engineering. A bachelor's program that is an LPN/RN to Bachelor of Science Nursing also is offered online.

For more information, contact NDSU Distance and Continuing Education at 701-231-7015 or 1-800-726-1724 or visit www.ndsu.edu/dce.

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NDSU BISON BRIEFS

## CLASS NOTES

A Life to Remember

## "THAT'S ONE OF THE MAJOR GOALS OF THE EXPERIENCE WE'RE TRYING TO GIVE THEM A VIEW OF WHAT GRADUATE SCHOOL IS ALL ABOUT."

 Deland Myers, director of the School of Food Systems



## Mississippi students do research at NDSU

Special student guests from Mississippi Valley State University visited NDSU during the summer. A total of 10 MVSU students held science research internships on campus.

Deland Myers, director of the School of Food Systems and NDSU's NCAA faculty representative, said the idea came about when the Bison traveled to the Itta Bena, Miss., university last fall for a football game. "What we thought we would do while we were there was try to recruit some interns," explained Myers, who traveled to the game with his wife, Evie, NDSU's diversity officer.

They met with MVSU biologists and developed a plan for summer internships. "It's just a way for North Dakota to increase diversity," Myers said. "We think that's a very important part."

The interns arrived at NDSU on June 2 and finished their work on July 25. Each received a \$4,000 stipend. Myers said one Delta State University student also participated.

The research included a study on the way a protein can affect certain pharmaceutical reactions. Another study, which analyzes the factors affecting the growth of animal embryos, could lead to a better understanding of human growth.

The interns had the opportunity for hands-on instruction and preparation for graduate-level study. "That's one of the major goals of the experience," Myers said. "We're trying to give them a view of what graduate school is all about."

Myers is hopeful the internship program continues each summer and the schools also are considering faculty exchanges.



## Chapman welcomes new president

President Joseph A. Chapman (left) welcomes Robert Kelley (right), the University of North Dakota's new president, along with William G. Goetz (center), chancellor of the North Dakota University System. Here the three leaders are being photographed for the cover of Prairie Business magazine.

## Memoir provides picture of 20th century life

When Margaret Brownell Lorenzen set out to write a memoir about her husband, Robert Lorenzen, BS '43, agricultural engineering, it helped that he kept records of everything. He had one little notebook for each year from 1945, when he returned from World War II, to 1993, when he married Margaret. Each notebook was filled with dates, schedules and names from his everyday life. They became invaluable in the research and writing of "A Life to Remember: The Life of Robert Theodorea Lorenzen."

Add to those notebooks the report cards from his high school days, records from his time at NDSU, letters home while fighting in Germany, square dancing announcements and records of his time at Cornell University, where he taught for 23 years, and the book is at once intensely personal while at the same time serving as an archive of life in the United States through the 20th century.

"He had tremendous records, or I couldn't have done it," said Margaret of the two-and-a-half year project she began once Robert started to develop

dementia. "I felt the need that people know what was there. I got to know him in a much better way."

While at what was then North Dakota Agricultural College, Robert was involved in Alpha Zeta, Scabbard and Blade, Blue Key, American Society of

Agricultural Engineers, Saddle and Sirloin and the ROTC Cadet Corps. In a foreword, NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman notes, "Bob, be proud of what you have accomplished. And NDSU is delighted to have been there to help prepare you."

The book was published through Authors & Artists Publishers of New York, Inc. To buy a copy, contact Margaret at: thellogcabin@frontiernet.net.

**CEDRIC GUSTAFSON,** BS '72, soil science, was promoted to senior insurance specialist at AgCountry Farm Credit Services in Warren, Minn. He is responsible for sales and service of crop insurance as well as hail and life insurance in Marshall, Pennington, Kittson and western Polk counties.

HARVEY LINK, BS '73, MS '89, agricultural education, was promoted to vice president of academic and student affairs at the North Dakota State College of Science, Wahpeton. He joined NDSCS in 1978.

**DUANE GRENSTEINER,** BS '75, agronomy, has been the Corn Research Station manager for Syngenta Seeds, Inc., of Stanton, Minn., since 2005. He is a certified crop advisor in Minnesota. He and his wife, Marlene, live in Northfield, Minn.

**STEVE TOMAC,** BS '76, agricultural economics, is senior legislative representative at Basin Electric Power Cooperative. He is responsible for analyzing legislative and regulatory developments on a state and national level as well as assisting in developing policy positions for Basin Electric. He lives in

**HILLOL RAY, MS** '77, environmental engineering, had his poem, "Dreams and Challenges of APAs," selected and displayed by the Region 5 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Chicago, Ill., for the National Celebration of Asian Pacific American Community Heritage Month. He also was invited as a special guest speaker during International Week at Fulton School in Heath, Texas. Hillol is an environmental engineer and manager of drinking water enforcement at the Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 in Dallas.

**TODD VANGSNESS,** BS '77, agricultural economics, was elected to the United Community Bank of North Dakota Board of Directors. He is senior vice-president of United Community Bank of North Dakota in Minot, N.D.

WILLIAM GAUSLOW, BS '78, BArch '78, joined R.L. Engebretson, Fargo. He is a licensed architect in North Dakota

ROXANE (THORFINNSON) GEHLE, BS '78, music education, and her partner, **RYAN BERNHOFT,** BS '98, business, were recently chosen as Five Star Wealth Managers in the Twin Cities by the Minneapolis/St. Paul magazine and the Twin Cities Business magazine. An independent research firm, Crescendo Business Services, conducted a survey of investors in the area and chose fewer than 4 percent of the wealth managers in the Twin Cities area. Gehle and Bernhoft work at Integrated Capital Group of Wayzata, Minn.

**DARRYLE SCHOEPP,** BS '78, pharmacy, is senior vice president and head of neuroscience research at Merck, where he oversees a division of 300 researchers and support staff members. He works in North Wales, Penn. During his time at Eli Lilly and Company, he oversaw early stage research on a new schizophrenia drug.

BRUCE SEELIG, MS '78, PhD '90, soil science, formed Earth Resources Analytic, an environmental consulting company in Fargo. He has more than 30 years of experience as a soil and water scientist in North Dakota and Iowa.

KIRBY SKOOG, BS '78, BArch '79, was promoted to vice president of operations at Timco Construction Inc., Minneapolis, a general contractor specializing in medical projects.

JARVIS BROSZ, BS '79, agronomy, MBA '90, was promoted to assistant vice president of new business initiatives in claims and member services at Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota Fargo. He joined BCBS in 1990 and worked as a technical analyst, senior analyst/team leader and manager in business systems administration.

BOB ZETOCHA, BS '79, English, MA '82, speech communication, was nominated for the Nebraska Community College Association's Faculty Member Award. He is a speech instructor at Southeast Community College, Lincoln, Neb. Last year, he received SCC's 2007-2008 LAMB Award. He also was selected as the Lincoln Campus commencement speaker in March 2007. He and his wife, **CAROLYN (CASE)**, BS '83, psychology, live

## '80s

**BARRY BJORNSON,** BS '80, agriculture education, is agronomy manager at New Horizons Ag Services in Chokio, Minn. He oversees the agronomy department, which specializes in fertilizer, petroleum, chemicals and grain.

HAL ROSS, BS '80, agronomy, was promoted to vice president and senior lender of Dacotah Bank in Bowbells, N.D. He oversees all lending in addition to responsibilities as a security officer and individual retirement account representative.

### '40s



LARRY AASEN, FS '47, published a book called "North Dakota 100 Years Ago." The book contains articles on farming, ranching, banking, housing, cars, romance, politics and more. He has written two other books on North Dakota. The book may be ordered by e-mail at aasenm@aol.com or by phone at

'50s

**GUNNAR FOG,** BS '57, mechanical engineering, has for the past two years in February gone with six other men and women from Harbert (Mich.) Community Church to Slidell, La., for a week to help Habitat for Humanity build houses. He and his wife, Ruth, live in Sawyer, Mich.



JOHN L. JACOBSEN, BS '58, pharmacy, was presented the Commander's Award for Public service for his service to the Army Reserve as the Army Reserve ambassador to the chief. The award is the fourth highest that can be awarded to civilians in service to the military. He retired from the active

Army Reserve in 1995 after 30 years with

active duty served in the Persian Gulf during Operation Desert Storm in 1991. He served in several positions with the 311th Evacuation Hospital as chief pharmacist and nuclear, biological and chemical warfare defense office. He worked for 39 years at Medcenter One Pharmacy before retiring in 1998. He and his wife, Jean, have three grown children.

#### '60s

GORDON OLSON, BArch '63, published a book about his experiences in the U.S. Navy from 1952 to 1956 titled, "A Flight to Nowhere." The book can be found on amazon.com. Olson lives in San Marcos, Calif.



JOHN COX, BS '64, economics, retired from the manufacturing technology department at North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, where he was a faculty member for 28 years. He was welding department chair for several years, initiated the second year program and helped begin NDSCS' new welding program at the Skills and

Technology Center in Fargo, N.D. He was also the NDSCS small business management director for several years, assisting small businesses. He owned and operated the Welding Rod for several years in Mooreton, N.D. In his 28 years with the American Welding Society, northern plains section, he served as president, received many awards and initiated their annual "Behind the Mask" contest. He lives in Fargo with his wife, JACKIE (KVAMME) COX, BS '67, English, MS '86, speech communication.

CONSTANCE (PREUSS) DUNKELBERGER, BS '64, child development and family relations, has completed her term as state president of the American Association of University Women of Washington. It was a two-year term where she visited all 37 branches in the state. She and her husband, JAMES, BS '64, live in University Place, Wash.



PETER GRANGER, BS '65, economics, writes to say he recently retired from Marvin Windows. The Former commander of the 79th Fighter Squadron of F-111s in Europe was a corporate pilot for the company for 19 years. He and his wife, Jeanette, live in Warroad, Minn. He also proudly congratulates his son, LT. COL.

STEPHEN GRANGER, BS '90, business administration, who in April assumed command of the 425th Fighter Squadron of F-16s at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz. Stephen lives in Phoenix with his wife, Kim, and their two children.

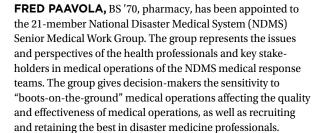
LARRY LEIER, BS '67, agricultural economics, earned the 2007 North Dakota Forest Service Conservation Achievement Award. He and his wife, MaryAnn, live in Valley City, N.D.

RICK NICHOLS, BA '68, mathematics, was elected to serve on the board of directors of First National Bank and Trust, Williston, N.D. He joined First National in 1993 as an agricultural loan officer and was promoted to senior vice president and head of lending in 2001.



**DWAYNE BOELTER,** BS '69, electrical and electronics engineering, is a manager of project engineering at ITC Midwest in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

#### '70s



GARY W. PAULSON, BS '66, animal science, MS '70, agricultural economics, has been designated chief executive officer and chairman of the board at First United Bank, Park River, N.D. His banking career began in 1972 in Minot as an agricultural loan officer, vice president of first bank Langdon in 1977, and president, CEO and chairman of the board of First Bank Park River in 1981. He and his wife, Lyla, live in Park River.

**LUANN (ACKERMANN) STROMME,** BS '81, home economics education, DNP '07, joined the Foster County Medical Center, New Rockford Clinic and Carrington Health Center, all in North Dakota. Her duties include seeing clinic patients, conducting hospital rounds and working in the emergency room. She and her husband, Jim, farm near Devils Lake and have three children.

**JAMES GRAALUM,** BUS '82, was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq, as a team chief for a national police transition team. He worked with the Iraqi National Police to improve their operational capability, logistics and training from January 2007 to December 2007. He was promoted to lieutenant colonel.

MARK OBERLANDER, BS '82, agricultural economics, was promoted to vice president at Dacotah Bank in Valley City, N.D. He is the lead agriculture lender for Valley City. He has worked for Dacotah Bank since 1999. He and his wife, Patty, and their three children live in Valley City.

MARY (SAVAGEAU) PANDOLFO, BS '82, social sciences, was promoted to vice president and branch manager of Dacotah Bank in Bowbells, N.D. She serves as the president of the Bowbells Public School Board. She and her husband, ANTHONY, BS '80 and their four daughters live in Bowbells.

**NATE SEIP,** BS '82, pharmacy, opened a new store in Perham, Minn. This is the seventh Seip Drug store to open, which now has stores in New York Mills, Perham, Frazee, Henning, Battle Lake, Moorhead and Detroit Lakes.



JERRY VOLESKY, MS '82, botany, received the Outstanding Achievement Award for Research from the Society for Range Management. He is a forage and range management specialist and associate professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, in North Platte, Neb. He has developed integrated research and extension

programs in irrigated forages and grazing systems at the university. He was president of the Society for Range Management's Nebraska section for 2007, has written or co-written 75 research and extension publications, and provides oversight of the management of financial plans at a 13,000-acre ranch research facility in Nebraska.

**DEBBIE ALBERT,** BUS '83, joined the board of directors for United Way of Grand Forks, N.D., East Grand Forks, Minn., and the area. She works with Ameriprise Financial Services as an adviser. She also completed a leadership course through the Chamber of Commerce and is working with Jumpstart Coalition of North Dakota.

BOB BLATTI, BS '83, political science, opened a law firm in Battle Lake, Minn. He previously worked in private practice and for Legal Services of Northwest Minnesota both in Alexandria, Minn. He worked for Pemberton Law Firm in Fergus Falls Minnesota from 2001 to 2007. His new practice will emphasize family litigation and mediation, estate and medical assistance planning, social security disability, real estate and general litigation.



**DAVID GOODIN,** BS '83, electrical and electronic engineering, was named chief executive officer for MDU Resources Group's three utility businesses — Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Great Plains Natural Gas Co. and Cascade Natural Gas Corp. He also continues as president of the three utilities. The company serves 510,000 natural gas

customers and 120,000 electric customers in five Upper Midwest states, Washington and Oregon. Goodin joined Montana-Dakota Utilities in 1983, and he is a registered professional engineer. He and his wife, **PAT (REDFIELD),** BS '83, have three daughters.

**MARK NERDAHL,** BS '83, business, is a software engineer at Harland Financial Solutions of Fargo, N.D. He has worked as a systems specialist in the Fargo area for several years.



**BRIAN NOHR,** BArch '83, accepted a 2007 U.S. Air Force Design Award on behalf of the Omaha District - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers project team in Washington, D.C. He was the project architect on the Aero-Medical Evacuation Facility at the Minneapolis and St. Paul Air Force Reserve Station, which received a Citation Award for Facility Design Excellence in the 2008 Air Force awards program. Other NDSU graduates also involved in the facility include construction resident engineer RAY TIDD, BS '85, base civil engineer LES CANARR, BS '89, and civil design section chief JEFF VANHOVE, BS '84.

**DAVID ROBLEY,** BS '83, transportation engineering, is president of the Minnesota County Engineers Association. He is the Douglas County, Minn., engineer. He and his wife, Jean, live in Alexandria. Minn.

**SARAH KASPARI BAKER,** AS '84, nursing, earned her master's in nursing from the University of Mary, Bismarck, N.D. She is a family nurse practitioner and provides primary care at Northland Community Health Center in McClusky, N.D. She also provides call coverage for the emergency room at Turtle Lake Community Hospital.

NICHOLAS BORMAN, BS '84, mechanical engineering, was promoted to the lead role in engineering for Tenaska Energy's operations group. He joined the company in 1991. He is responsible for project engineering and environmental affairs, engineering and construction of power plant projects, and new project development and acquisition activities. Prior to joining Tenaska, he was senior mechanical engineer with Bibb and Associates where he was responsible for design and engineering of mechanical systems for coal-fueled power plant projects. Borman lives in Omaha, Neb.

**STEVE REHOVSKY,** BS '84, agricultural economics, was elected president by the board of directors of First United Bank, Park River, N.D. He joined the bank in 1985. He and his wife, Carol, have four children and live in Park River.

NANCY (HARING) KAY, BA'85, art, earned her doctorate in art history from Brown University. Her dissertation was "The Sacred Public Sculptures of Antwerp: From Their Medieval Origins to the French Revolution," which was funded in part by a Mellon Fellowship, Fulbright Scholarship and a one-year grant from the Belgian government. She teaches at Merrimack College, North Andover, Mass., where her husband, Warren, is chair of the religious and theological studies department.

DAN NOSTDAHL, BS '85, BArch '85, and SCOTT MELAND, BS '85, BArch '85, offered their architectural services pro bono to the committee renovating Old Main on the campus of Minot State University-Bottineau. Nostdahl, who is a native of Bottineau, is in partnership with DGP Group Architects in Phoenix. Meland has his own architectural firm in Grand

**TIM BARTEL,** BS '86, electric and electronics engineering, was promoted to systems engineer at Minnkota Power Cooperative. He has worked there since 1986. He lives in Grand Forks, N.D.

**PAT BREEN,** BS '86, computer science, was promoted to a manager position in information system applications development at Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota. He joined the insurance provider in 1986.

SHAWN DOBBERSTEIN, BS '86, animal science, MBA '92, received the North Dakota Chamber of Commerce Leadership Award. One of the Chamber's highest honors, the award recognizes Dobberstein's work as executive director of the Municipal Airport Authority at Hector International Airport in Fargo, and his efforts to establish a Foreign Trade Zone in Cass County and create a full-time U.S. Customs office.

MARY (JASCHKE) REINKE, BS '86, communication, is the vice president of corporate affairs for Milwaukee, Wis., Aurora Health Care's Kettle Moraine region. She also will have responsibility for internal and Web communications. She lives in Waukesha. Wis.

**DAMON DEVILLERS,** BS '87, civil engineering, was recognized as North Dakota County Engineer of the Year at the North Dakota Association of County Engineers 58th Annual Institute in Minot, N.D. He is a principal engineer for Interstate Engineering and serves as East Region vice president, Wahpeton, N.D., office manager and vice president of the board of directors. He is a registered professional engineer in both North Dakota and Minnesota.

**JIM HAMBRICK,** BS '87, BS '88, business and accounting, joined Starion Financial to start the organization's bank in Fargo, N.D. He will serve as senior vice president and business banker. He lives in West Fargo, N.D.

**ROD MYHRA,** BS '87, ag extension, has been named an insurance specialist with AgCountry Farm Credit Services of Fargo, N.D. He will serve clients in Wahpeton, N.D.



**JIM SPICER,** BS '87, electrical and electronics engineering, is a senior engineer at ITC Midwest in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



**DAVE TANBERG,** BS '87, electrical and electronics engineering, is a senior engineer at ITC Midwest in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

**JULIE (WASMUTH) BAUMGARDNER,** BA'88, design, is the store manager at Belk Department Store in Sherman, Texas.

**WAYNE BREKHUS,** BS '88, social science education, was awarded the University of Missouri's \$10,000 William T. Kemper Fellowship for Teaching Excellence. He is a sociology professor and director of undergraduate studies for the Department of Sociology at the University of Missouri, Columbia. The Kemper is his fourth teaching award at the university, where he has taught and conducted research since 1999. (X)

**TRIA (VIKESLAND) MANN,** BS '88, physical education, is DWI court coordinator for Otter Tail County, Minnesota. She and her husband, Tom, and their two children live in Fergus Falls. Minn

**DAVID SEGERHOLM,** BS '88, agricultural economics, and **MYA (LUECKE),** BS '88, animal and range science, co-owners of Baseview Petroleum Inc., started Northwood Agra Biodiesel, a biodiesel plant, last March. They live in Northwood, N.D.

**LESLIE CANARR,** BS '89, mechanical engineering, has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. He is an operations and maintenance officer-in-charge with 29 years of military service and is assigned to the 934th Airlift Wing, Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Minn.

### '90s

**BRADLEY DEWOLF,** BS '91, civil engineering, is the city engineer for Isanti, Minn. He is the primary engineer with Bolton & Menk and has been with the firm for 12 years. He and his wife, Krista, have two sons and live in Litchfield, Minn.

**ELLIOT ROTVOLD,** BS '91, sociology education and social science education, was awarded a James Madison Fellowship, one of only 58 such fellowships awarded in 2008. The fellowships support further study of American history by college graduates and experienced secondary school teachers. The award recognizes promising and distinguished teachers, and is intended to strengthen knowledge of the origins of American constitutional government. Rotvold is a teacher at Hillsboro, N.D., High School.

**BRYAN K. SCHULZ,** BS '91, mass communication, is the Red River Valley Fair manager in West Fargo, N.D. He previously worked for the Fargo-Moorhead Convention and Visitors Bureau. He and his wife, Lisa, and their two children live in West Fargo.

MARK SCZEPANSKI, BS '91, pharmacy, was named one of the 2007 Laser Vision Top 100 Surgeons. This is the second time he has received the award, which recognizes distinguished leaders in refractive surgery. He is an ophthalmologist at the North Dakota Eye Clinic, Grand Forks, N.D., and Thief River Falls. Minn.

**JAY STIBBE,** BUS '91, was promoted to first vice president-financial consultant at RBC Dain Rauscher in Fargo, N.D. He

**ANITA BENSON,** BS '92, construction engineering, is the county engineer for Steele County, Minn. She was previously the Lyon County, Minn., engineer and director of public works since 2000.

**KEN KLOSE,** BS '92, industrial engineering and management, returned to Applied Engineering as a senior design engineer where he will provide engineering services.

MARNIE (BUTCHER) PIEHL, BA '92, English and mass communication, was included in the Bismarck, N.D., Tribune Business Watch "40 under 40" listing in May. The annual list recognizes outstanding individuals under age 40 working in western North Dakota. She is the public relations director for Odney Advertising, Bismarck. She and her husband, SHADD, BA '91, mass communication, BS '93, English education, and their three sons live near Menoken. N.D.

### Former student co-designs 9/11 memorial

The Pentagon 9/11 Memorial will be dedicated this Sept. 11, and a former NDSU student played a large part in its creation.

Keith Kaseman, along with his wife and architect partner, Julie Beckman, submitted the winning design chosen from among 1,120 entries to honor the victims killed in the attack on the Pentagon.

Their design consists of 184 stainless steel resting places arranged over individual, lighted pools of water. The units,

which resemble benches, are positioned along the flight path of the Boeing 757 that crashed into the building. Each bench bears the name of one victim and is arranged to create a visual timeline spanning from the youngest victim at 3 years old to the oldest at 71. The 59 units that bear the plane victims' names face one direction while the 125 units representing the Pentagon workers face the opposite direction.

Maple trees and gravel underfoot add to the overall effect of the memorial, which is expected to cost \$32 million in private donations.

Kaseman, a Minot, N.D., native, first decided to become an architect while at NDSU. He was in a freshman architecture class and watching a slide show when one building he recognized showed up on the screen – the Bavinger House in Norman, Okla. Kaseman had spent summers in Norman as a youth and once spotted the Bavinger House while riding bike.

He later transferred to Arizona State University where he earned his bachelor's degree in 1995. He earned his master's degree at Columbia University's Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation. Kaseman and Beckman founded Kaseman Beckman Amsterdam Studio in 2002. They are located in Philadelphia.

**KRIS BEUCKENS,** BS '93, zoology, joined the Stevens County (Minn.) Soil and Water Conservation District staff to monitor and design methods to help restore the Pomme de Terre River to full health. He and his wife, Jill, live in Hoffman, Minn.

**DON CHASE,** BS '93, hotel, motel and restaurant management, expanded and built a new facility for his business, Chase Steel Services of West Fargo, N.D. He and his wife, **JANE** (**SCHEETT),** BS '92, apparel and textiles, have five children and live in West Fargo.

**JASON ECKERT,** BS '93, food science technology, is vice president of quality execution for Leprino Foods Company. He is responsible for overseeing the quality organization within the company's supply chain. He was most recently director of research and development for Land O'Lakes, Inc. He lives in Dayyer.

**CURTIS ELKE,** BS '93, soil science, is the assistant state conservationist – operations, for United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service in Amherst, Mass. He has two children, Joshua and Carlee, who both live in Fargo, N.D., and are majoring in natural resources management at NDSU. His other accomplishments have been designing an executive 18-hole golf course in Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas; and is a partner with inventing and patenting a laser alignment system for the utility, commercial and recreation trailer industry.

**TROY ROTH,** BS '93, corporate and community fitness, graduated from the North Dakota Highway Patrol Academy. He has been assigned to the southwest region and will be stationed at Beach, N.D.

**TODD GOOD,** BS '94, agricultural economics, was promoted to senior loan officer at AgCountry Farm Credit Services, Wahpeton, N.D., branch. He has served as a loan officer for five years.

**DOUG LEIER,** BS '94, zoology, was named the North Dakota Wildlife Federation 2008 Communicator of the Year. He is a biologist with North Dakota Game and Fish and lives in West Fargo, N.D., with his wife, Michelle, and their three children.

**RANDY AXTMAN,** BS '95, mechanical engineering, was promoted to factory manager at the Hillsboro American Crystal Sugar Company. He is responsible for managing the factory production, maintenance, engineering, security and molasses desugarization operations and factory production activities within the operation that will improve product efficiencies. He has been with American Crystal Sugar Company for 13 years. He and his family live in Fargo.

**BRETT BAILLY,** BS '95, civil engineering, is a municipal engineer for Moore Engineering, Inc., and will work out of the West Fargo, N.D., office. He previously worked for Metro Land Surveying and Engineering. He and his wife, Kelly have four children.

**DARCI EGGEN,** BS '95, agricultural economics, joined the State Bank and Trust in Wahpeton, N.D., as the vice president of business banking. She previously worked at Bank of the West for 12 years.

**KAY (BARTELSON) PERRY,** BA '95, political science, was hired as the regulatory analyst for research operations for the University of Texas (San Antonio) Health Science Center. She gives advice on federal and state laws that apply to clinical trials. She and her husband, Jim, and two sons live in San Antonio, Texas.

**SHERRI STERN,** BUS '95, was named vice president and residential lending center manager with Choice Financial, Fargo. She previously worked at Bremer Bank in Fargo as vice president and residential real estate and regional sales manager.

**SHAWN VOELLER,** BS '95, construction management, joined NOR-SON's Fargo, N.D., division as a senior project manager. He has more than 12 years' experience in managing construction projects.

**HOLLY KREFT,** BS '96, earth science, was promoted to community development director for the city of Victoria, Minn. She was hired as city planner in 2006. She and her husband, **JIM,** BS '93, and three children live in Arlington, Minn.

**JENNIFER (MILLER) LIEN,** BS '96, apparel and textiles, was named 2008 Goods from the Woods program director for the Minnesota Wood Education Project. Goods from the Woods is an annual regional festival that celebrates northern Minnesota's unique forest resources and cultures. The 2008 festival will be held in Grand Rapids, Minn. She and her family live in Grand Rapids.

**SHELLEY (OLSON) ST. AUBIN,** BS '96, took on the duties of seeking charitable donations for Discover Museum in West Fargo, N.D., while continuing to manage its gift store, Dinosaurs & More

**JAY STEINER,** BS '96, agriculture, is the northern plains sales representative for Mycogen Seeds/Dow AgroScience. He manages a seed sales dealer network in southeast North Dakota and west central Minnesota. He previously worked for 10 years at Agriliance as an agronomy production specialist. He lives in Lisbon, N.D.

**JEREMY HOLMES,** BS '97, business, was elected a share-holder of Conmy Feste law firm, Fargo, N.D. He has been with the firm since 2000. His practice focuses on real estate and business transactions.

**KIMBERLY (ODDEN) POTTER,** BS '97, accounting, received the honor of 2007 Outstanding Unit Career Advisor for the North Dakota National Guard in Fargo. She is a master sergeant and has been a unit career advisor at the 199th Wing as well as the supervisory financial technician for the finance management section of the unit. She and her husband, **THOMAS POTTER,** BS '93, live in West Fargo, N.D.

**LORI (ZABEL) WHITTEN,** BS '97, sociology, is a recruiting and business development manager for Xtreme Consulting Group, a business and IT services firm with offices in Fargo, N.D.

TRISH HELGESON, MBA '98, a nine-year veteran with Odney Advertising Agency in Bismarck, N.D., was promoted to director of account services. She will oversee Odney's Bismarck marketing consultants, providing strategic direction and leadership. She also will continue to manage the North Dakota Tourism account. She has almost 20 years of marketing experience spanning various industries including tourism, energy, financial and healthcare. She lives in Bismarck with her husband, Christian, and their two daughters.

**BRENT BOGAR,** BS '99, mass communication, was elected to the Williston, N.D., city commission. He is information technology manager for American State Bank and Trust, Williston. He and his wife, Kris, live in Williston.

**ERIC DODDS,** BS '99, MS '02, civil engineering, is now an owner of Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services. He is the operations manager of the AE2S Moorhead, Minn., office.

**TODD ENGER,** BS '99, agricultural economics, is the branch manager and assistant vice president at Citizens State Bank in Northwood, N.D. He will arrange loans for operating costs, equipment and real estate. He will also help customers with commercial and business loans. He and his wife, Sandy, plan to move to Northwood.

**MARK ESKILDSEN,** BS '99, BArch '99, joined Zerr Berg Architects of Fargo, N.D., as a licensed architect. He was previously employed in Bemidji, Minn.

MARK HUBBARD, BS '99, accounting, joined Gate City Bank in Fargo, N.D., as vice president and business banking manager. He is charged with developing and managing business banking initiatives in all 28 Gate City offices across North Dakota and Minnesota. He previously spent nine years as a commercial lending officer. He lives in Fargo with his wife, CARLA (BACHMEIER), BA '00, and their son.

GINA AALGAARD KELLY, BS '99, MS '00, sociology, earned her doctorate in family social science from the University of Minnesota. She is an assistant professor of social science at Valley City (N.D.) State University. She also received a six-month fellowship through the Minnesota Area Geriatric Education Center at the University of Minnesota. She and her husband, FALLON, BS '00, and their three children live in rural Lisbon, N.D.

**BRENDA (ARCHER) JACOBSON,** BS '99, business administration, was promoted to vice president at Vision Bank of Fargo, N.D. She has been with Vision Bank for five years.

MANDRIA (BOTTRELL) MONTPLAISIR, BS '99, psychology, and her husband, Troy, welcomed a baby boy in December 2007 named Bennett Troy Montplaisir. He joins his older sister, Aubriana. Mandria also completed her master's in business administration degree from Marylhurst University in Portland. Ore., in March 2008.

MARK PAZDERNIK, BS '99, elementary education, was inducted into the North Dakota Wrestling Hall of Fame in February. During his collegiate career, Pazdernik was a two-time NCC champion and a three-time All American. He teaches and coaches at Carrington (N.D.) Public Schools. He and his wife, Jenn, and their daughter live in Carrington.

### '00s

**SHAWN ADRIAN,** BS '00, ag systems management, joined Farmers and Merchants State Bank as an agricultural loan officer in Tolna, N.D. He previously worked at Dakota Bank in Valley City, N.D., and Wells Fargo Bank in Thief River Falls, Minn. He and his wife, Audrey, and their two children live near Binford, N.D., on the family farm.

**KEITH BJORNSON**, ME '00, education administration, is the principal for South Central High School and director of the Adult Learning Center in Bismarck, N.D. He has been in education since 1975.

**TANYA (TESCHENDORF) KIPPEN,** BS '00, child development and family science, joined DH Research, a division of Odney Advertising in Fargo, N.D., as a call center manager.

**ERICA (MILLER) MARCUSSEN,** BS '00, BArch '00, joined the architecture team of Widseth Smith Nolting in Baxter, Minn. She will be involved in project design, client development and project management.

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**JASON PETTYS,** BS '00, electrical engineering, joined the Fargo, N.D., branch of Nexus Innovations as senior application developer.

JAYME STEIG, BS '00, PharmD '02, opened a new pharmacy, Frontier Health Mart Pharmacy, in Eagle Run, N.D. He and his wife, **KATIE (STEINKE)**, BS '01, PharmD '03, and their son live in Casselton, N.D.

**RITA TWEED,** BS '00, management information systems, was promoted to senior information technology internal auditor at EverBank Financial Corp. EverBank is the largest bank headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla.



SGT. AMY WIESER WILLSON, BS '00, MS '07, mass communication, provided a workshop in Ghana, Africa, through her duties as deputy public information officer for the North Dakota National Guard. The four-day workshop on public affairs included sessions on crisis communication, media relations, new technology uses in deployments and

distributing information throughout the chain of command. The workshops were attended by civilians and members of the Ghana Armed Forces. She and her husband, Jack, live in West Fargo.

**ERIC GOODIN,** BS '01, mechanical engineering, is a design engineer for Applied Engineering of Fargo, N.D.

ANIKA (LITTLEFIELD) PILLATZKE, BS '01, microbiology, earned a master's degree in public health from University of Northern Colorado, Greeley. She works pro-bono to start up a Loveland, Colo., nonprofit called Look Both Ways, Inc. The organization is dedicated to creating comprehensive sexuality education curriculum for public school systems. In 2004, she married **NATHAN PILLATZKE**, BArch '01. He works with PEH Architects on historic preservation in the historic city of Black Hawk, Colo. They spend their free time skiing, hiking, backpacking and mountain biking.

**STEVE SAXLUND,** BS '01, biosciences, MS '05, health, nutrition and exercise, is the athletic sales manager for the Fargo-Moorhead Convention and Visitors Bureau. He previously was employed with WA Custom Apparel. He also is co-director of the Rumble on the Red wrestling championships.

**HEATHER (SVIHL) DRESSLER,** BS '02, child development and family science, has become a board-certified prosthetist. She works at WestMed Rehab in Rapid City, S.D.

**ROSS FUGLEBERG,** BS '02, agribusiness, is community banking president for Wells Fargo in Valley City, Tower City, and Litchville, all in N.D. He joined Wells Fargo in 2002 as an agricultural and business banker. He was an active member of the NDSU Collegiate Rodeo Team all four years while attending NDSU. He has remained active in rodeo circuits and was the North Dakota Rough Rider Rodeo Association team roping champion in 2004. He joined the Professional Rodeo circuit and is currently one of the top 10 ropers in the world.

**DALLAS HAGER,** BS '02, ag and biosystems engineering, is project engineer for portable heater products at MagTec Energy of Fargo, N.D.

**ANGIE MILAKOVIC,** MS '02, agriculture, natural resources management, is a program coordinator and assistant professor of Geographic Information Systems at Bismarck State College. She is working with NASA and the National Science Foundation on a grant to develop GIS and remote sensing curriculum for K-12 and college classrooms. She and her husband live in Mandan, N.D.

MARK MYERS, BS '02, electrical engineering, is an electrical engineer in the energy substation division of Ulteig Engineers of Fargo, N.D.

BENJAMIN OLSON, BS '02, environmental design, BArch '02, is project manager at EAPC Engineering and Architecture, a consulting firm that provides architectural and engineering services to regional and national clientele. He is a qualified Architectural Registration Exam candidate and an associate member of the American Institute of Architects. He lives in Grand Forks, N.D., with his wife, **JOSIE (MALENIUS)**, BS '99.

PATRICK VESEY, BS '02, business, was named the 2007 Goldmark Schlossman Agent of the Year. The award is presented to one of Goldmark Schlossman's commercial real estate agents based on total production, increase in production during the prior year and voting by other agents.

RYAN ACKERMAN, BS '03, civil engineering, earned his professional engineer license. He is a project manager at Ackerman-Estvold Engineering and Management Consulting Inc., in Minot, N.D.

JAIME BERRY, BS '03, physical education, was named assistant women's basketball coach at NDSU. She will assist in all phases of the program. Primary responsibility will involve the development, coordination and implementation of a scouting and game preparation plan. A two-time All-North Central Conference and an All-America third team selection as a player with the Bison, Berry spent the past two seasons as a graduate assistant at the University of South Dakota.

MICHELLE ERDMANN, BS '03, civil engineering, is a design engineer for Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services Inc., Bismarck, N.D. Her focus has been on wastewater collection, pumping and treatment. She previously was an engineer at Bonestroo and Associates, St. Paul, Minn.

MATT GREGOIRE, BS '03, crop and weed science, is an agronomist at Precision Ag Results of Maddock, N.D. His job includes assisting farmers with crop monitoring and scouting as well as soil sampling and the application of fertilizer.

BRIANNE LINDSETH, BS '03, business administration, joined Western State Bank of West Fargo, N.D., as the marketing representative. She provides marketing and communication support while ensuring delivery of financial products and services to customers. She previously worked for Red River Zoo of Fargo, N.D.

JIM LOBERG, BS '03, BArch '03, is a project architect for Zerr Berg Architects of Fargo, N.D.

**CRYSTAL RIPPLINGER,** BS '03, electrical engineering, earned a doctorate in biomedical engineering from Washington University in St. Louis. Her studies were in the field of cardiovascular electrophysiology and defibrillation. She is a post-doctoral fellow in the Department of Biomedical Engineering at Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

**GREG THOMPSON,** BS '03, civil engineering, has been registered as a professional engineer in North Dakota. This registration requires four years of progressive experience in the engineering field and passing an examination relating to the principles and practice of engineering. He works at Houston Engineering in Fargo, N.D.

ADAM ALTENBURG, BS '04, BArch '04, is a project architect for Zerr Berg Architects of Fargo, N.D.



NATHAN PEDERSON, BS '04, civil engineering, is a graduate engineer in the Willmar, Minn., office of the Minnesota Department of Transportation. He will complete an engineering rotation program in both Willmar and in the department's central office in St. Paul.

**CHARLES WEIGEL,** BS '04, zoology, opened Total Life Chiropractic in his hometown of Napoleon, N.D. He graduated from Northwestern Sciences University in Bloomington, Minn., in 2007. He and his wife, Danielle, and their daughter live in Napoleon.

JESSE BECKERS, BS '05, natural resource management, is the North Dakota-specific regional wildlife biologist for Pheasants Forever. His duties include starting and servicing chapters in North Dakota.

**BRYAN BYE,** BS '05, civil engineering, joined the Widseth Smith Nolting engineering department as an engineer in training. He assists in the design of water and sewer utilities, structures and other municipal engineering projects.

**ZAC HALL,** BS '05, animal and range sciences, is a sales representative for Merial, an animal health company based in Duluth, Ga. He recently finished a master's degree in ruminant nutrition at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

ABBEY HOFFER, BS '05, business administration, was named office manager for Vtrenz of Fargo, N.D. She previously worked as marketing coordinator for The Shoppes of Arbor Lakes, Maple Grove, Minn.

TROY KNUTSON, BS '05, electrical engineering, was promoted to distribution generation engineer at Cass County Electric Cooperative. He had been working for CCEC for two years as an engineer technician. He and his wife, Sydney, live **DUSTIN THEURER,** BS '05, agribusiness, is a loan officer with AgCountry Farm Credit Services in the Valley City, N.D., branch. He delivers financial solutions to customers in Barnes and lower Griggs County. He and his wife, Jessica, have one child and live in Cooperstown.

ANDREW AASEN, BAcc '06, accounting, is a staff accountant in the tax department at Widmer Roel of Fargo, N.D.

TYLER ENGSTROM, BS '06, agricultural economics, joined Peoples State Bank of Westhope, N.D., as a loan officer.

**TONY EUKEL,** BS '06, civil engineering, joined MBN Engineering of Fargo, N.D., as a civil engineer.

**CHRIS FENSKE,** ME '06, education leadership, is the new superintendent at Lakeview School. He lives in Cottonwood, Minn., with his wife, Christine, and their three children.

**DANIEL FLATAU,** BS '06, mechanical engineering, MBA '07, is a product test engineer for Phoenix International of Fargo, N.D.

**BRYAN HALVORSON,** BS '06, mechanical engineering, is a manufacturing engineer for Applied Engineering in Fargo, N.D. He previously worked as a process engineer.

ERIC HASSEBROCK, BS '06, criminal justice, graduated from the Highway Patrol Academy and has been assigned to the North Dakota Highway Patrol's southwest region and will be stationed at Bowman, N.D.

**DARA HELGESON,** BS '06, sociology, joined the Developmental Disabilities Unit at the South Central Human Service Center in Jamestown, N.D. She will provide case management services to the residents of Region VI.

MICHAEL MCLEAN, BS '06, environmental design, MArch '07, is a project designer for JLG Architects in Fargo, N.D. He joined the Fargo office after working in their branch in Grand

**KEVIN MILLER,** BS '06, civil engineering, joined Barr Engineering Company of Hibbing, Minn., as a structural engineer. He previously worked for BKBM Engineers in

JASON PERIUS, BS '06, BArch '06, is a designer and computer-aided design technician for Foss Architecture and Interiors of Fargo-Moorhead and Breckenridge, Minn.

**DUSTIN PERSON,** BS '06, microbiology, is an inspector in the North Dakota State Meat and Poultry Inspection Program. He will cover south central North Dakota and will be based in

**TIA THOMAS,** BS '06, BArch '06, is a project designer for Foss Architecture and Interiors of Fargo-Moorhead and Breckenridge, Minn.

**JAMIE THRONSON,** BS '06, agricultural economics, was promoted to human resources marketing coordinator for Wanzek Construction of Fargo, N.D. She has worked there since 2005 as a human resources specialist.

**BRANDON GOLTZ,** BS '07, electrical engineering, is an electrical engineer in the energy power generation division at Ulteig Engineers of Fargo, N.D.

**JOSHUA HAHN,** BS '07, construction management, is a project engineer for Wanzek Construction of Fargo. He previously was a foreman for seven years for Larson Construction of West Fargo, N.D.

**LEE HAVIG,** BS '07, construction management, is a project engineer for Wanzek Construction of Fargo, N.D. He previously worked for Wallwork Truck Center of Fargo.

NICHOLAS IBACH, BS '07, construction management, is a project engineer for Wanzek Construction of Fargo, N.D.

BRAD JOHNSON, MBA '07, completed Country Financial's new agent school and is now an agent. He serves clients from the Country office in Fargo, N.D.

**JEREMY JOHNSON,** BS '07, electrical engineering, joined Wanzek Construction, Fargo, as a project engineer. He previously worked as an assistant project manager for RJ Construction, Mendota Heights, Minn.

## **OBITUARIES**

WILLIAM ABBOTT, 68, BS '61, pharmacy, owned Arrow Drug in Clinton, Minn., from 1976 to 2003. He previously was a sales representative for E.R. Squibb and Sons in Grand Forks, N.D., and worked at the Grand Forks Clinic Pharmacy.

**BRENT ALEXENKO,** 38, ME '01, music education, was the choral conductor and a professor of music at the University of Wisconsin, Marathon County, Wausau.

DARROW R. BEATON, 86, BS '47, arts and sciences, founded several businesses, including Gateway Seed Co., Apex Medical and Darrow Medical. He was active in the Republican Party in North Dakota, at one time serving as North Dakota Young Republican chair. He retired to Las Vegas about 15 years ago.



WILLIAM BEATTY, 65, was a professor of psychology at NDSU from 1969 to 1990. From then until his retirement in 2004, he was a professor in the Biological Psychology Program at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. He served as director of Graduate Studies. A native of the Chicago area, he earned his bachelor's degree from

Yale University and his master's degree and doctorate from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. He and his wife, Karen Olson, moved back to Fargo in 2005. An NDSU Memorial Psychology Endowment has been established in his name by his wife.

**ARNOLD S. BJORLIE,** 87, BS '48, MS '65, agricultural economics, was an organizer and advocate for the Non-Partisan League in North Dakota during the 1950s. He served in the 1949 and 1951 North Dakota state legislative sessions. He later worked for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Fargo and Washington, D.C. He retired to Arizona in 1983 until his return to Fargo 20 years later.

BRUCE BJORNSTAD, 86, BS '47, architecture, was an architectural supervisor, and was involved in such projects as the University of South Florida Library in Tampa, the first USF classrooms at the St. Petersburg campus and many governmental, commercial and church buildings in the Tampa Bay area. Earlier in his career, he sold laminated wood products for construction throughout the Midwest. He lived in Tampa.

HAROLD "RUSTY" CASSELTON, 53, MS '82, speech and communication, was the chair of the film studies department at Minnesota State University Moorhead. He previously taught at Concordia College in Moorhead for 22 years. He lived in Moorhead.

JOHN T. "JACK" CUMMINS, 73, BS '57, chemistry, worked for Dow Chemical Co., North Dakota Highway Department, North Dakota Department of Agriculture, Haynes Chemical Co., and as a substitute teacher in Grand Forks, N.D., and East Grand Forks, Minn. He lived in Grand Forks.

**JAMES COLLITON,** 78, BS '51, civil engineering, worked for W.W. Wallwork and Acme Welding in Moorhead during the 1960s. He then transferred to Minneapolis and Red Wing, Minn. He also started a company, Dakota Sports, which handled promotional items. He lived in Moorhead.

FRANKLIN D. ELLINGSON, 82, BS '49, pharmacy, worked in retail pharmacy in North Dakota, Wyoming and Arizona and later joined the Maricopa County Hospital (Ariz.) as a clinical pharmacist. He lived in Sun City, Ariz.

**CHARLES FISCHER,** 77, BS '58, zoology and botany, owned Fargo-Moorhead Adjusting Co. and Alexandria Adjusting Co. until his retirement in 1997. Active in Boy Scout Troop 213, he also was a proud member of NDSU's Team Makers. He lived in West Fargo.

ALPHENS FORSMAN, 94, BS '39, mechanical engineering, was the superintendent of water and wastewater for Grand Forks, N.D., retiring in 1978. Earlier in his career, he was a pilot in the Army Air Corps, serving in World War II and then had assignments during the Berlin Airlift, at the Pentagon and with the U.S. European Command Headquarters in Paris. He lived in Grand Forks.

JAMES D. GEERDES, 83, BS '49, MS '50, was a renowned expert on fibers and textiles. He operated the consulting firm of Geerdes International from the late 1970s to his retirement in 2003. Earlier in his career, he was president of Allied Chemical's Fiber Division and president of Entoleter Corp. He was a frequent contributor to the International Fiber Journal and served on the journal's editorial board. An Army veteran, he landed at Normandy's Utah Beach, fought through the Battle of the Bulge and was among the troops to liberate the Dachau concentration camp. He died at the Virginia Veterans Care Center in Roanoke, Va. Contributions to the James D. Geerdes Memorial Fund for Graduate Studies in Biochemistry can be sent directly to NDSU and are tax deductible.

**DENNIS GILBERTSON,** 57, BS '74, mathematics, was the chief of information resource management at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in Fargo. He lived in Fargo.

RONALD GJERTSON, 77, BS '57, was a reliability engineer in Minnesota and Florida until he retired in 1992.

**WAYNE A. GRINDE,** 75, BS '59, was an Extension agent in Fargo, Bottineau and Park River, N.D. He was a Walsh County commissioner and a Park River city councilman. A past president of the North Dakota County Agents Association, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the group. He lived in Park River.

**DONALD HALL,** 83, BS '50, worked as a sales representative for Mutual Products Co., Minneapolis, for 24 years. He lived

JOHN HAUGLAND, 91, BS '39, operated the Cool Ridge Resort on Big Sand Lake near Park Rapids, Minn. He also worked for the Hubbard County Department of Social Services, retiring in 1986. He lived in Park Rapids.

HAROLD HOVLAND, 93, BS '38, pharmacy, owned Hovland Rexall Drug in Westhope, N.D., and later worked for Center Drug and City Drug in Fort Collins, Colo. He lived in Fort Collins.

PAUL JUELL, 63, BS '68, physics, joined the NDSU computer science faculty in 1982, and served as associate chair from 2005-07. His teaching and research interests were Artificial Intelligence, systems and technology based teaching. He and his wife, Carolyn, were foster parents for 19 years with the Lutheran Social Services Unaccompanied Minors Programs. He lived

**HELEN MARIE KOSBAB,** 42, BS '89, accounting and business administration, worked for the General Services Administration in Ft. Worth, Texas. She moved to St. Cloud, Minn., in 2000, and lived in Waite Park, Minn., at the time

ROBERT KOSHNICK, 89, BS '48, had a successful 16-year career in real estate after working for 20 years for General Mills. He lived in Fargo.

EUNICE (CONLON) LEPPERT, 97, BS '34, social science and physical education, farmed and ran a hardware store in Sarles, N.D. In 1943, she and her husband, Frederick, moved to Fargo, where she lived for 50 years. She lived in Minneapolis at the

ROBERT J. LUDWIGSEN, 82, BS '49, MS '50, chemistry, worked 35 years as a senior research chemist at American Can Co., Barrington, Ill. A World War II veteran, he also served in the U.S. Army Reserve. He lived in Crystal Lake, Ill.

**SHARON MAPES,** 53, BS '76, home economics, was the owner and operator of Kinder Kloset. She previously worked at Learning Wagon Preschool in West Fargo. She lived in

PAUL T. MCLAUGHLIN, 58, BS '71, economics, worked for Arbitrations Forms Inc. and Midwest Technical Inspections. He also worked as an insurance claims adjuster for many years. He lived in Fargo.

RONALD MCLEOD, 83, BS '51, was president of the Quality Bank of Fingal, N.D., for 35 years. He previously worked at the Security State Bank of Hunter, N.D. He was Fingal city auditor, fire department treasurer, and served on the school board and Barnes County Social Service Board. He lived in Fingal.

CAROL A. MONTONYE, 48, AD '81, nursing, was employed by Allina Health Systems for more than 20 years. She lived in Minneapolis.

MAELON (BACKMAN) OLLENBURGER, 79, BS '49, pharmacy, was the chief of pharmacy at the Cloquet, Minn., Community Memorial Hospital for 20 years. She lived in St. Anthony, Minn.

PAULA (VERNE) PARROTT, 94, BS '35, food and nutrition, home economics education, was a teacher, homemaker and community volunteer. She was president of the Fort Wayne, Ind., Newcomers and a member of the Fort Wayne Country Club. She lived in Fort Wayne.

CHARLES D. PETERSON, 72, MS '74, agriculture, was the county agricultural agent for Dawson County in Montana before retiring in 1995. He previously was a county agent in Warren, Minn. He lived in Glendive, Mont.

NELITA (DYER) PETERSON, 87, BS '40, mathematics education and education administration, was a teacher and a professional with the Boy Scouts of America. She and her husband, Clifford, lived in many places, including Seattle, several communities in Illinois, New Brunswick, N.J., and Heidelberg, Germany. She lived in Stoughton, Wis.

WILLARD C. PIERCE, 94, ME '58, education, taught industrial arts and coached wrestling in the Moorhead, Minn., public schools for more than 30 years. He previously taught at schools in Wild Rose, N.D., and Bertha, Minn. His volunteer efforts included projects for Habitat for Humanity. He lived in West

ROBERT PRICE, 80, MS '54, chemistry, worked for Archer Daniels Midland, Minneapolis; Ashland Chemical, Dublin, Ohio; and NL Laboratories, Buffalo, N.Y. He was inducted into the Valley City State University Viking Hall of Fame for being a star college basketball player. He lived in Columbus, Ohio.

WILLIAM J. PROMERSBERGER, 95, was chair of NDSU's agricultural engineering department for 38 years, retiring in 1979. He was a longtime member of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, and was named a fellow in 1972. He received the prestigious Massey Ferguson Power and Machinery Award in 1979. He lived in Fargo.

**FRANK RUMMEL,** 55, BS '76, pharmacy, worked for Smith's Rexall Drug in Lemmon, S.D. He lived in Lemmon.

MICHAEL SCHROCK, 53, BArch '81, was a principal of LSA Design in Minneapolis. He formerly was principal with Schrock DeVetter Associates, and also worked with the Cunningham Group, BRW Architects, KKE and Polak Architects. He lived

MARILYN (CULL) SCHROEDER, 51, BS '80, horticulture, worked at American Crystal Sugar Co., Seedtec, Pioneer, NDSU and Scheels during her career. She lived in Fergus Falls, Minn.

**DAVID STOUSLAND,** 56, BS '74, pharmacy, held pharmacist positions in North Dakota; Soldotna, Alaska; and Medford, Ore. He lived in Jacksonville, Ore.

**GEORGE SOMMERS,** 79, BS '54, MS '60, pharmacy, was a pharmaceutical consultant for Marion Merrell Dow Inc. in Washington, D.C. He previously held several positions with the military, the last as pharmacy consultant to the Surgeon General of the U.S. Army. He lived in San Antonio, Texas.

**JEFF STANGELAND,** 61, BS '69, business, was a disc jockey at KDAK radio, and was self-employed for many years. He lived in Carrington, N.D.

MICHAEL D. SWEENEY, 78, MS '61, soil science, worked in the NDSU soils department for 39 years, retiring in 1994. He then was a consultant on soil related projects for the Agricultural Experiment Station. He lived in Fargo.

**EDWARD THACKER,** 92, was the former director of the Metabolism and Radiation Research Laboratory on the NDSU campus. He served 13 years in Fargo with the USDA. He lived

NEIL H. THOMPSON, 81, BS '50, business management, was a longtime attorney in Devils Lake, N.D. In 1984, he and son, Scott, formed the law partnership of Thompson and Thompson. A past president of the Northeast Judicial District Bar Association, his honors included the Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award and Elk of the Year.

ARNE M. VINJE, 76, BS '60, pharmacy, worked 16 years of his career as director of pharmacy for St. Francis Hospital in Shakopee, Minn. He lived in Bloomington, Minn.

**HARVEY VREUGDENHIL,** 63, MS '71, agricultural economics, held several positions with the NDSU agriculture department. He was past master of Sunrise No. 130, Past Grand Illustrious Commander Knights Templar and Past Grand High Priest. He lived in Fargo.

**LEO A. WANZEK,** 80, BS '52, civil engineering, founded Wanzek Construction Inc. in 1971 and served as the company's president and board chair. The firm now has more than 800 employees and has built projects in more than 14 states. He lived in Fargo.

JOAN E. WIGEN, 57, BA '72, physical education, worked for the Hoeven Committee in Bismarck, N.D. She previously was director of the Schafer Volunteer Committee, and held positions as assistant director of the Missouri Slope Area-wide United Way, consultant with the North Dakota Public Employees Association, associate director of auxiliary services at Bismarck Junior College and assistant manager of the Town House Motor Inn in Bismarck. She lived in Bismarck.

key: AS-Associate Degree, BA-Bachelor of Accountancy, BArch-Bachelor of Accountance, BARch-Ba EdSpec-Education Specialist, FS-Former Student, HD-Honorary Doctorate, MA-Master of Arts, MBA-Master of Business Administration, MEd-Master of Education, MS-Master of Science, PharmD-Doctor of Philosophy

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## Homecoming 2008 Schedule of Events

Homecoming week will be celebrated Sept. 29-Oct. 4. If a phone number is not listed, please call the Alumni Association at 800-279-8971 or 701-231-6800 for more information or e-mail kristi@ndsualumni.com.

#### **Thursday, October 2**

11 a.m. State of the University Address by **President Joseph Chapman** Festival Concert Hall, NDSU

#### Friday, October 3

**Bison Athletic Hall of Fame Luncheon** Fargo Holiday Inn, Great Hall Call NDSU Athletic Media Relations at 701-231-7197 for details.

Klai Architecture and Landscape **Architecture Building Dedication** 711 2nd Ave. N., Fargo

5-7 p.m. Bison Bidders Bowl Silent **Auction Preview** Fargo Holiday Inn, Harvest Hall

5:30 p.m. Alumni Honors Dinner and **Awards Presentation** Fargo Holiday Inn, Great Hall NDSU's 2008 outstanding alumni

will be honored.

**Architecture and Landscape Architecture Reunion Social and Dinner** Avalon Events Center, 613 1st Ave. N.

7:30 p.m. Blue Key Homecoming Show and Coronation

Festival Concert Hall, NDSU Contact Kale Van Bruggen at 701-371-2136 or kale.vanbruggen@ndsu.edu.

The Party is On Avalon Events Center, 613 1st Ave. N. The band will be the Front Fenders.

### Saturday, October 4

**NDSU Alumni Center Open House** 1241 N. University Dr. Enjoy refreshments and visit with fellow alumni and friends.

**Homecoming Parade** N. University Dr. and 12th Ave. N. Watch the NDSU parade and see the floats, Gold Star Band and the Homecoming King and Queen. Call the

for parade information.

#### **Bison Pep Rally and Lunch**

Bison Sports Arena, NDSU Enjoy a true pep rally complete with food entertainment and Bison spirit. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

#### 11:30 a.m. Colliton Dedication

Fountain near South Engineering Building Contact Nancy.Rossland@ndsu.edu.

**Kick-off NDSU vs. Southern Illinois** Fargodome

Call the NDSU Ticket Office at 701-231-6378 for tickets or visit www.gobison.com.

#### 27th Annual Bison Bidders Bowl

Fargo Holiday Inn, Great Hall Silent and live items will be auctioned to benefit NDSU. Advance reservations are required. Call the Development Foundation at 701-231-6841.



#### ORGANIZATION EVENTS

#### Friday, October 3

Phi Mu Sorority Social, 7 p.m.

Buffalo Wild Wings-South, 1501 42nd St. SW RSVP by Sept. 19 to Vanessa Veflin at 701-237-4325 or vveflin@hotmail.com.

### **Blue Key Honor Society**

Homecoming Show and Coronation, 7:30 p.m. Festival Concert Hall

Contact Kale Van Bruggen at 701-371-2136 or kale.vanbruggen@ndsu.edu.

### Saturday, October 4

**Gold Star Band Alumni** 

Continental Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. Reineke Fine Arts Center

Following breakfast, a business meeting will be held to elect three officers, announce scholarships and rehearse. Please come and enjoy the camaraderie even if you do not want to play an instrument. A Saturday evening social also is being planned. For further information, contact or 701-282-4787.

### Choir Singalong, 10-11:30 a.m.

Choir Room, Music Education Building Contact Jo Ann Miller at jo.miller@ndsu.edu.

#### **Circle of Players**

Endowment Recognition Reception, 11:30 a.m. Askanase Hall lobby

Contact Donald.Larew@ndsu.edu or 701-231-7791.

#### **Kappa Delta Sorority**

Alumnae Brunch, 9 a.m.-noon - Free Kappa Delta House, 1210 13th Ave. N. All KD alumnae and families are invited. Contact

#### **Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity**

Pre-game Coffee and Cookies, 10 a.m.-noon - Free 1155 12th Ave. N.

Kalli Jo Artz at 701-871-0307 or kalli.artz@ndsu.edu.

Everyone is invited. Contact Ben Paulus at 701-471-0356 or benpaulus@gmail.com.

#### Phi Mu Sorority Downtown Dinner

**Location TBD** 

RSVP by Sept. 19 to Vanessa Veflin at 701-237-4325 or vveflin@hotmail.com.

#### Sunday, October 5

**Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity** Brunch, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Season's Restaurant at Rose Creek

1500 East Rose Creek Parkway S. All actives, alumni and guests are welcome. Contact William "Bill" Harbeke at 701-277-9681 or goldieh@juno.com.

### Harvest Bowl 2008

The 35th annual Harvest Bowl program honors agriculturists from across the state of North Dakota and western Minnesota.

The festivities begin with a dinner and ceremony on Friday, Oct. 31 at the Ramada Plaza Suites. Honorees will enjoy campus educational sessions and the Harvest Bowl football game on Saturday, Nov. 1.

For more information, visit www.ndsualumni and click on Recognition or contact Marilyn Doeden at 800-279-8971 or marilyn@ndsualumni.com. For football game tickets call 701-231-6378.

# 2008 football pre-game parties

Support the Bison and join the NDSU Alumni Association for the 2008 football season. More details and registration are available at www.ndsualumni.com.

Student Activities Office at 701-231-7787

@ University of Wyoming - Saturday, Sept. 13 11 a.m. MT, Bison pre-game party 1 p.m. MT, kick-off at Jonah Field at War Memorial Stadium

@ Youngstown State University - Saturday, Sept. 20 4 p.m. ET, Bison pre-game party 6 p.m. ET, kick-off at Stambaugh Stadium

@ University of Northern Iowa - Saturday, Oct. 18 2 p.m. CT, Bison pre-game party 4:05 p.m. CT, kick-off at UNI-Dome

@ Illinois State University - Saturday, Oct. 25 11:30 a.m. CT, Bison pre-game party 1:30 p.m. CT, kick-off at Hancock Stadium

@ Missouri State University - Saturday, Nov. 15 11 a.m. CT, Bison pre-game party at Ebbet's Field Restaurant and Pub 1 p.m. CT, kick-off at Robert W. Plaster Sports Complex

## **Broadcast E-mail updates**

The Alumni Association sends news briefs by e-mail. These messages usually note three to four topics with a direct link to more information. If you would like to receive broadcast e-mail messages, contact office@ndsualumni.com and indicate that you want to be part of the broadcast list.

### Outstanding alumni to be honored at Homecoming

The Alumni Association has announced the 2008 recipients of the Alumni Achievement Award, Heritage Award and Horizon Award. The awards will be presented at the 2008 Alumni Honors Dinner on Friday, Oct. 3, at the Fargo Holiday Inn. All alumni and university friends are welcome to attend

The Alumni Achievement award is bestowed on alumni who have excelled in their profession. The Heritage Award signifies outstanding volunteer service to NDSU, and the Horizon Award places an emphasis on the recognition of individuals who have graduated within the past 10 years and have distinguished themselves in their professional field and/or service to their community.

The Alumni Honors social will begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner and awards presentation. Visit www.ndsualumni.com for further details or contact Beth Roybal, at 701-231-6804, 1-800-279-8971 or beth@ndsualumni.com.

50 Year Reunion attendees enjoy camaraderie

The classes of 1958, 1953 and 1948 celebrated their 50th, 55th and 60th class reunions May 20-22. The

and college receptions. For more information about the 50 Year Reunion, contact Beth Roybal at the

NDSU Alumni Association at 701-231-6804, 1-800-279-8971 or beth@ndsualumni.com.

honored classes attended a recognition lunch where the class of 1958 received honorary diplomas stating that

they graduated from North Dakota State University. Fifty years ago, their diplomas were from the North Dakota

Agricultural College. Reunion attendees also enjoyed a tour of Fargo and NDSU's campus, educational sessions

#### **ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**



Claude Christianson BS '71, industrial engineering Lieutenant General, director of logistics, J4 Pentagon Joint Chiefs of Staff Alexandria, Va.

Janet Gilsdorf BA '66, zoology Professor, Department of Pediatrics and Communicable Diseases, University of Michigan Medical School Ann Arbor, Mich.

#### HERITAGE AWARD FOR ALUMNI SERVICE

BS '71, sociology - criminal justice and business administration Civil trial specialist, Maring Williams Law Office PC Mandan, N.D.

#### **HORIZON AWARD**



**Ryan Bernstein** BS '00, agricultural economics Chief legal counsel and policy advisor, Office of the Governor of North Dakota Bismarck, N.D.

### **David Maring**

Runsvold Funeral Home, was named chair of the board.

**Barry Batcheller,** '77, president and

pharmacist and co-owner of Hanson

Cyd Stoelting Runsvold, '77,

NDSU Alumni Association names

The NDSU Alumni Association is pleased to announce

newly elected officers and board members effective

July 1, 2008. The Board consists of 32 members, which

includes 30 at-large members, one student representative

and the university president. They set policy for the

association, which represents more than 70,000 living

alumni and friends. They also work closely with univer-

sity leadership to assist in attaining institutional goals.

officers and board members



2008-2009 OFFICERS:

CEO, Appareo Systems LLC, was named president.



The Money Farm, was named vice president.

**Mike Krueger,** '71, president,



Marcia Estee Strehlow, '78. co-owner of Strehlow Construction, was named secretary/treasurer.

### MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Stacey Ackerman '94; Jeff Bentrim '89; David Berg '83; DeAnn Bjornson '95; Clare Carlson '79; Trisha Riechl Cyr '88 and '92; Joel Dick '67, '71, '76; Mike Favor '91; Lisa Dressler Manz '94; John Erickson '80; Gerald Floden '73; Greg Hagfors '85; Scott Handy '80; John Hanson '79; Joel Honeyman '93; Jennifer Kowalski Hopkins '83; Mark Hubbard '99; Anthony Larson '95; Michelle Folstad Mack '91; John Mark '68; Kathleen Kappel Meagher '81; Don Morton, past administrator; Fred Paavola '70; Wayne Schluchter '82; Randy Schmeling '78; Brad Swenson '89; Kim Dennis Timmers '83; Joanne Warner '80; Pramita Sen, student body vice president and NDSU President Joseph A. Chapman

### Alumni Association seeks nominations for board of directors

The Alumni Association is seeking nominations for the 32-member board of directors that works closely with the university to assist in achieving its goals. The board meets three times a year in Fargo to conduct business and visit with university administration. If you are interested in nominating an individual or yourself, e-mail the association at office@ndsualumni.com or call 800-279-8971. Submit online at www.ndsualumni.com, select Get Involved and click on Alumni Association Board. Nominations are due Jan. 23, 2009.

## Address update

Are you moving? Do you have a winter address? Please notify the NDSU Alumni Association at 800-279-8971 or by e-mail at office@ndsualumni.com.

### Nominations sought for alumni awards

Gene Gronseth '58; Howard Lahlum '58; Arnie Ellingson '58; Dan Baranick '58; Duane Hanson '58

The Alumni Association is accepting nominations for the following four awards, which will be presented at Homecoming 2009:

• Horizon Award

Seated (left to right): Ron Anderson '58; Jim Pomeroy '58; Kent Olson '58; Gordon Trisko '59 and '62; Florence Mitchel;

'48; Jane (Brush) Lillestol,'58; Vel Rae (Neeb) Burkholder '58; Doris (Tallackson) Lauf '53; Row 2: Ole Elton '58; Odee

Chuck Mitchel '48; Lydia Smith '48; Gloria (Crews) Anderson '48; Helen (Crews) Nelson '48; Mardy (Anderson) McMorrow

(McGill) Maier '52; Clark Crum, '58; Dennis Remboldt '53; Ray Erwin '48; Joy Reiten; Chester Reiten '48; Wayne Rowe '48;

Loretta (Swisher) Arneson '48; Bev (Thorstenson) Moyer '53; Donna (Wohl) Sather '53; Don Anderson '53; Roberta (Enger,

Southam '58; Judy (Hammer) Vermeland-Wendt '58; **Row 3:** George Stenehjem '53; Ron Stahlberg '58; Godie Maier '53;

Charles Hunter '58; Jim Feeney '58; Ted Rotenberger '58; Bob Beutler '58; Erv Reuther '58; Shirley (Mogen) Stephens '58;

Joyce (Eriksmoen) Trangsrud '58; Joan (Lindbo) Hall '58; Del Helgeson '58; Caroline (Slinde) Melroe '58; Jean (Anderson)

Allyn Marifjeren '58; Dick Olness '58; Neal Bjornson '58; Ken Thompson '58; Curt Nelson '58; Lyle Moe '58; Mel Werth '58;

Williams '58; Row 4: Hubert Olson '58; Dick Wilson '58; R. Tracy Myers '58; Ken Duerre '58; Gene Stockman '58;

- Alumni Achievement Award
- Heritage Award for Alumni Service

past 10 years and has excelled in his/her profession and/or community service.

The Alumni Achievement Award is presented to alumni who have excelled in their profession. The Henry L. Bolley Academic Achievement Award recognizes the achievements of alumni who work in education as teachers, researchers and/or administrators. The Heritage Award is presented to an alumnus who has given outstanding service for the benefit of NDSU. The Horizon Award is presented to an alumnus who has graduated within the

• Henry L. Bolley Academic Achievement Award

For nomination information, e-mail office@ndsualumni.com or call 800-279-8971. Nominations may be submitted online at www.ndsualumni.com, select Recognition. Nominations are due Friday, Jan. 23, 2009.

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## SPORTS

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# Taylor named one of 29 AstroTurf Athletic Directors of the Year

"THE PROGRAM BRINGS TO LIGHT THE EXCEPTIONAL JOBS DONE BY ATHLETICS DIRECTORS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THESE 29 WINNERS EXEMPLIFY THAT, PROVIDING US WITH A GROUP OF **OUTSTANDING ATHLETICS** DIRECTORS WHO EXCEL AT THEIR JOBS."

— NACDA executive director Mike Cleary

Gene Taylor, NDSU director of athletics, was one of 29 winners of the AstroTurf AD of the Year Award (ADOY) announced by The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics in July.

Taylor, who has been at NDSU since July 2001, was recognized as the Football Championship Subdivision Central Region winner. There are four geographic regions - northeast, southeast, central and west; while the membership is separated into seven categories: Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A), Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA), Division I (formerly Division I-AAA), Division II, Division III, NAIA, and Junior/Community Colleges.

One winner was selected in each of the seven categories, for a total of 29 honorees. Winners will receive their awards during the James J. Corbett Awards Luncheon at NACDA's 43rd Annual Convention

Taylor has kept busy since coming to North Dakota State after a 15-year stint at Navy (1986-2001) as an administrative assistant, assistant ticket manager, ticket manager, assistant athletics director for tickets and operations and associate athletics director. Taylor has guided the athletics program through the unpredictable waters of reclassification to NCAA Division I from Division II. One of most important pieces of the transition was securing conference affiliations for all 16 sports.

The Bison are currently members of The Summit League and Western Wrestling Conference and will begin play in the Missouri Valley Football Conference (formerly the Gateway Football Conference) in 2008. NDSU was a charter member of the Great West Football Conference in 2004. Taylor also spearheaded an increase in the Bison athletics budget, which has

from \$5 million in his first year to almost \$12.5 million heading into the 2008-09 season.

Mike Cleary, NACDA executive director, explains the ADOY Award is essential because it highlights the efforts of

athletics directors at all levels for their commitment and positive contributions to campuses and their surround-

"Our honors and awards committee recognized a need for an award such as the AD of the Year," said Cleary, who oversaw implementation of the program to allow all NACDA officers and honors and awards committee members to participate in the awards process, should they be elected. "The program brings to light the exceptional jobs done by athletics directors across the country. These 29 winners exemplify that, providing us with a group of outstanding athletics directors who excel at their jobs."

Nominators were NACDA-member directors of athletics, institutional presidents and conference commissioners. Special selection committees composed of current and former directors of athletics, present and past NCAA and NAIA presidents, current and former commissioners and other key athletics administrators voted on nominees for the award. A complete listing of selection committee members can be found on NACDA's Web site at www.nacda.com.

Five North Dakota State University football games will be televised this fall, including two road games, four statewide broadcasts, and national coverage of the Northern Iowa game on Fox College Sports.

The Craig Bohl Football Show will air live on KXJB-TV and statewide NBC affiliates at 10:30 Sunday mornings, and re-air after the late local news Sunday nights on KVLY-TV as part of a new two-year television

"We are very happy to be associated with Bison athletics for two more years," said Charley Johnson, general manager for KVLY and KXJB. "Our sports and production teams enjoy and take great pride in producing Bison

Home games against Southern Illinois (Oct. 4), Western Illinois (Oct. 11) and South Dakota State (Nov. 22) will be carried live on the North Dakota NBC Network. Kickoff for the Western Illinois game was changed from 6 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Youngstown State game Sept. 20 will air live on KX4 only. The Northern Iowa game Oct. 18 will be live on Fox College Sports and the North Dakota NBC Network, and tape-delayed on FSN Midwest.

"We are excited about our televised game schedule this year," said NDSU athletic director Gene Taylor. "We were able to add a couple of road league contests for our fans that can't make those trips, which was one of our goals. We are also pleased our television partners KVLY and KXJB will produce three of our home games

2008 league title in a poll conducted by league coaches, media and sports information directors. North Dakota Championship Subdivision (FCS) Preseason Top 25.



## **DeHoff named NDSU head** women's basketball coach

Carolyn DeHoff has been hired as the NDSU head women's basketball coach. Women's athletic director Lynn Dorn announced the hire on April 11. DeHoff replaces Amy Ruley, who resigned to become an associate athletic director for development at NDSU.

"THIS IS THE BEST DAY OF MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER. THE MORE QUESTIONS I ASKED AND THE MORE PEOPLE I FOUND IN MY LIFE THAT WERE CONNECTED TO FARGO AND NDSU, I KNEW I WOULD ABSOLUTELY FALL IN LOVE WITH THIS PLACE. AMY RULEY LAID OUT A RICH TRADITION HERE. AND NOW. WE ARE GOING TO TAKE THAT TRADITION AND BUILD **OURSELVES AN IDENTITY** AT THE DIVISION I LEVEL."

> - Carolyn DeHoff, NDSU head women's basketball coach

As she introduced DeHoff at a news conference, Dorn said, "Respected colleagues in the basketball world said, 'If you can land Carolyn DeHoff, you are going to have a tremendous person, a person of integrity, a person who is passionate about student athletes and a person who loves the game."

DeHoff is the ninth head women's basketball coach in the 44-year history of the program.

"This is the best day of my professional career. The more questions I asked and the more people I found in my life that were connected to Fargo and NDSU, I knew I would absolutely fall in love with this place," DeHoff said. "Amy Ruley laid out a rich tradition



here, and now, we are going to take that tradition and build ourselves an identity at the Division I level."

DeHoff has been coaching for 17 years. She previously was an associate head coach at the University of Utah. Her duties included coordinating recruiting efforts, point guard development, organization and planning of the schedule, coordination of academic affairs and directing summer camps.

Her coaching resume also includes stops at Weber State University, University of Wyoming and Coronado High School in Scottsdale, Ariz. A native of Cheyenne, Wyo., DeHoff graduated from Arizona State with a bachelor's degree in exercise science and physical education.

## NDSU approved for **NCAA** Division I status

NDSU has been approved as an active, certified member of NCAA Division I. "This is an important and exciting day for NDSU and the state we serve," said President Joseph A. Chapman. "The NCAA announcement illustrates the tremendous support our students, faculty, staff and the state have shown to make NDSU a top-tier institution, both academically and athletically."

"This is the day we've been waiting for since we made the decision to move to Division I. This is a great and historic day for our athletic program and the university," said athletic director Gene Taylor. "It is a culmination of a lot of hard work, dedication and commitment by our staff, coaches and, most importantly, our student-athletes. We also have had tremendous support from President Chapman, his cabinet members, faculty, university staff, our student body, our community and our alumni. We would not have made the transition without all of these wonderful and supportive individuals."

The university's decision to seek NCAA Division I status was announced in August 2002. The transition process included NCAA site visits, searches for conference affiliations and a year-long, campuswide selfstudy of NDSU's athletics operations that explored the areas of academic integrity, governance, rules compliance, equity, diversity and student athlete welfare.

"In 2002, we began what we knew would be a challenging transition to Division I," Chapman said. "Our commitment to being a nationally ranked landgrant institution played a key role in pushing through that challenge. Reaching for Division I was the right thing to do for our athletic program, this university and our state. I am extremely proud of the many people who have contributed their talents and resources to this effort."

NDSU is a member of The Summit League, the Missouri Valley Football Conference and the Western Wrestling Conference.

### Bison fans host watch parties

If you are interested in having an athletic watch party in your city, contact the Alumni Association.

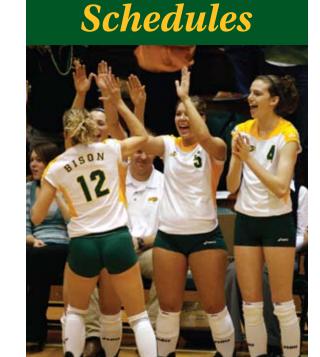
All watch party information will be posted on www.ndsualumni.com and/or notices will be sent electronically via broadcast e-mail.

To ensure you receive broadcast e-mail messages vith the latest updates, be sure your e-mail address is updated with the Alumni Association. Send your full name and class year information to office@ndsualumni.com.

Watch party contacts:

Beth Roybal at beth@ndsualumni.com or call

Stephanie Martin at Stephanie@ndsualumni.com or call 701-231-6811



Schedules for all fall sports are at www.gobison.com.

## Five football games to be televised

contract between NDSU, KVLY and KXJB-TV.

football and basketball games, as well as the Craig Bohl Football Show."

NDSU, competing in the nine-member Missouri Valley Football Conference, has been picked to win the State University was ranked No. 2 in the USA Today Sports Weekly College Football Special Edition Football

Hermanson avoids a pack of falling runners during the semifinals of the 800-meter Olympic Trials.

### Hermanson competes in Olympic trials

North Dakota State's Laura Hermanson finished 10th at the U.S. Olympic Trials in the women's 800-meter run Monday, June 30.

Hermanson, a junior from Burnsville, Minn., ran a time of 2 minutes, 5.01 seconds. Hazel Clark won with a time of 1:59.82. Hermanson was one of four collegiate

runners in the race.