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**DURING PRESIDENT BRESCIANI'S FIRST DAY IN OFFICE, HE MET WITH STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT KEVIN BLACK AND VICE PRESIDENT SHAWN AFFOLTER.**



# DEAN L. BRESCIANI NAMED NDSU'S 14TH PRESIDENT

“DR. B. IS LOVED AND RESPECTED HERE BECAUSE HE RELATES SO WELL TO PEOPLE – STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF AND ALUMNI. HE INVESTS SO MUCH OF HIMSELF IN HIS JOB AND HE CARES SO MUCH FOR PEOPLE. I REALLY WANT TO EMULATE HIM AS A FUTURE STUDENT AFFAIRS PROFESSIONAL.”

— Melissa Mallet Bohnsack, '07

Here's a great example of an NDSU graduate having an impact on her alma mater: Melissa Mallet Bohnsack, a 2007 NDSU graduate, got to know a great professor while in graduate school at Texas A & M. When the position of president opened at NDSU, she suggested he consider the role. Fast forward a few months to that very professor becoming NDSU's 14th president on June 15.

“I absolutely love Dr. Bresciani,” Bohnsack says. “He is someone I totally respect and admire.”

Bohnsack was NDSU student body vice president in 2006-2007, and is working toward her master's degree in student affairs administration for higher education. Last fall, she took Bresciani's course called “Functions in Student Affairs.” During class discussions, Bohnsack regularly used her experiences at NDSU as examples of how to best handle student affairs matters.

When Joseph Chapman resigned as NDSU president, Bohnsack immediately sent her instructor an e-mail suggesting he consider the position. “I thought he would be a great fit for NDSU,” she said. “When I heard he actually had applied, I was beyond thrilled.”

Bohnsack refers to Bresciani as “Dr. B.,” as most of his students do. “NDSU has really developed a family feeling on the campus. I knew Dr. B. would fit right in with that,” she says. “Dr. B. is loved and respected here because he relates so well to people – students, faculty, staff and alumni. He invests so much of himself in his job and he cares so much for people. I really want to emulate him as a future student affairs professional.”



*Miller, Bohnsack, President Bresciani*

Bohnsack talked about Bresciani's candidacy with her sister-in-law, Dani Kvanvig-Bohnsack, an academic adviser and lecturer in the NDSU College of University Studies. “Melissa mentioned several times how beloved Dr. Bresciani is at Texas A&M. When I heard him at the open forum during his interview process, I could see why students loved him so much,” she said.

Bresciani's thoughtfulness and interest in others also impresses Danté Miller, a 2008 NDSU graduate with connections to Texas A&M. Miller, who was NDSU student body president in 2006-07, is a research assistant in the university's Bush School of Government and Public Service and recently earned his master's degree from Texas A&M.

“I sent him a congratulatory e-mail right after he was named president, and Dr. Bresciani asked me to go to lunch with him,” Miller said. Over enchiladas and tortilla salad, they talked about Bresciani's new duties and the opportunities that lie ahead.

Bresciani asked to hear about Miller's educational experience at NDSU. He wanted to know about his many campus activities. He asked his opinions about his alma mater. “He really listened about where I think NDSU should be going and the challenges we face,” Miller said. “I was really impressed with him and his vision for the university. I am really glad he was offered the job; he'll be good for NDSU.”

*More on President Bresciani at [www.ndsu.edu/president](http://www.ndsu.edu/president)*

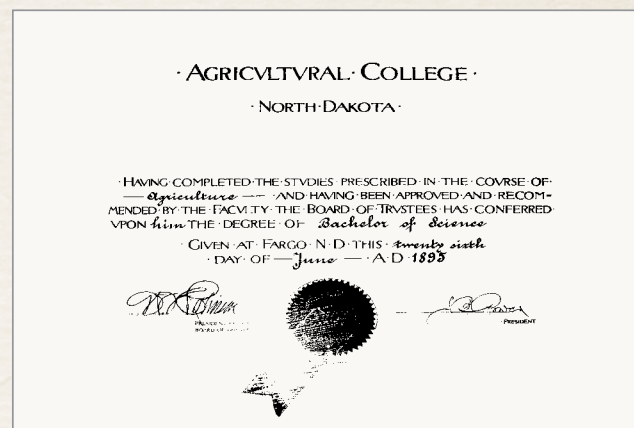




left: North Dakota Agricultural College gate in the 1940s  
below: North Dakota State University gate today



North Dakota Agricultural College seal



North Dakota Agricultural College diploma

## NDSU: 50 YEARS OF SUCCESSES

It's been 50 years since the state's voters approved renaming North Dakota Agricultural College as North Dakota State University.

Over that half-century, a small, almost sleepy, college has become a vibrant NCAA Division I institution, acknowledged as a leader among its peers in education, research and service.

Back in the late 1950s when the campus was affectionately called the "AC," supporters of a new name believed the institution was not receiving the grant money it deserved. They said the school needed the word "university" in its title. They noted a national trend and wanted the same success as several other Midwest land-grant institutions that had recently changed names – schools such as Colorado State University, Kansas State University, Iowa State University, Michigan State University and Oklahoma State University.

According to the NDSU Archives, name change advocates promoted the "AC" as a full-fledged university because it was comprised of seven different schools. In addition to the School of Agriculture, there were the Schools of Applied Arts and Sciences, Chemical Technology, Engineering, Home Economics, Pharmacy and the Graduate School. Supporters expected improved recruitment of quality faculty, staff and students.

For NDAC to become NDSU, a state constitutional amendment was necessary. Advocates saw one statewide vote fail in 1958. However, the electorate's mood shifted two years later.

### A grassroots campaign for change

In 1960, Frederic S. Hultz was president of a campus that was in the middle of a construction boom. Walster Hall, Sudro Hall and Reed Hall were either newly completed or under way. It was a time of expansion and forward thinking, and a 15-member committee renewed the task of renaming the institution. They set their sights on the general election of Nov. 8, 1960.

One of the driving forces was Bob Crom, who was the institution's director of communications and public relations and assistant to President Hultz. His hard work and dedication proved instrumental in changing the attitude of the voters. He later gained a national reputation as director of Extension and Outreach for the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges.

In the ensuing years, Crom was described as a true visionary and the NDSU Alumni Association recognized him with its 2003 Heritage Award for his outstanding service. When he was honored, Crom fondly remembered the campaign for a new name. "It brings a feeling of deep satisfaction and appreciation for having had the privilege to be a part of an exciting era in NDSU's evolution as a university of increasing stature and significance," he said at the time. "The

name change was a learning experience, but it was an exciting and rewarding one in many ways. It continues to be."

Crom and other supporters saw a fundamental need for the change.

"NDAC was always being overlooked for grants from the government and foundations because it was seen as just an agriculture college. That was our big pitch," explains 1961 graduate Don Evashenko, who took time off from his studies to travel the state trying to drum up support for the constitutional change required.

As the committee's only paid employee, Evashenko went to dozens of communities asking for financial support from farmers, pharmacists and small business owners. Evashenko was active in the Alpha Gamma Rho agriculture fraternity and had just returned from an International Farm Youth Exchange experience in Burma. The energetic and outgoing native of Voltaire, N.D., seemed the perfect fit for the job.

Not so, says Evashenko.

"I was pretty much a failure at raising money," he says during a telephone interview from his home in Chesterfield, Mo. "I'd be lucky to get \$25 some days. I knocked on a lot of doors with very little success. But I was out there."

Often frustrated on the fundraising side of things, Evashenko nonetheless discovered a creative way to get the topic before the voters. 1960 was a gubernatorial election year, featuring Democrat William L. Guy, Republican Lt. Gov. Clarence P. Dahl and independent Herschel Lashkowitz. Evashenko saw that as an opportunity.

"I tried to get into the towns where they were setting up for one of the candidates. I'd ask to get on the program for five minutes to talk to the audience. Sometimes I'd get some questions, and I'd go on for a half hour," he says. "And then the candidate usually got up and said they were for the name change, too."

It probably will never be fully known how Evashenko's efforts affected the vote, but, by a two-to-one margin, North Dakotans decided to change the school's name, effective in December of that year.

"I never thought what I did was all that significant because I felt I was a failure raising money," said Evashenko, who is retired after a successful career publishing agriculture magazines and as executive director of the National Christmas Tree Association. "But, I will tell you this – I was among the first to get a diploma that had North Dakota State University on it. That was my big payoff."



left: Old Main was built in 1891.  
above: Research 1 was dedicated in 2001.



### Five decades of growth

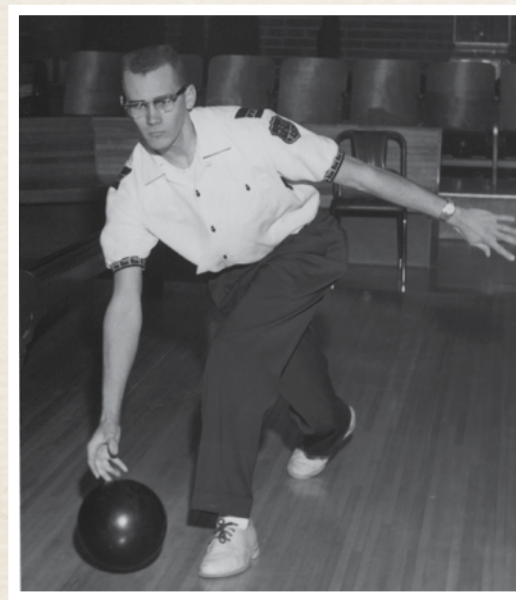
A few things haven't changed, like the familiar Old Main landmark that's been an NDSU fixture since 1891. And the Bison still beat the Golden Gophers of the University of Minnesota in sports – in 1960, our bowling team defeated them, and in 2007, the Bison football team defeated Minnesota 27-21 in the Minneapolis Metrodome.

But, the size and scope of the institution has surely changed. Here are a few quick facts:

	1960	2009
NDSU enrollment	3,208	14,189
*Faculty	535	1,629
Number of buildings	50	107
Budget	\$6.75 mil	\$278 mil

\*(ranked faculty, part-time academic staff and graduate assistants)

NDSU is now a national research institution, offering 101 undergraduate degree programs, 63 master degree programs, 43 doctoral degree programs, one specialist degree program and one professional doctoral degree program.



above: NDSU bowling squad rolls strikes in the 1960s.  
middle right: 2009 women's volleyball team wins Summit League regular-season title.  
far right: Bison football team outruns the competition.

Annual research expenditures exceed \$100 million, and the National Science Foundation ranks NDSU 122nd among 679 research institutions across the United States.

The university's infrastructure is dramatically different now. New buildings include Richard H. Barry Hall, Renaissance Hall, Klai Hall, the Wallman Wellness Center, Living Learning Center East and West, Greenhouse Complex, Material Handling Facility, Memorial Union addition, Research 1 and 2, Center for Technology Enterprise, Niskanen Hall, Animal Nutrition and Physiology Center, Ehly Hall and the NDSU Alumni Center.

And Bison athletic teams compete and succeed on the national level as members of NCAA Division I through The Summit League, Missouri Valley Football Conference and Western Wrestling Conference.

### NDSU: An economic engine

"During recent years, NDSU has become a major contributor to the regional and state economies," says Larry Leistritz, professor of agribusiness and applied economics, who has been engaged in regional economic assessments for more than 35 years.

He has the impressive statistics to back up that statement. A recent study Leistritz and his colleagues conducted estimates a direct economic impact of increased operating expenditures from non-general fund sources of \$168.3 million in fiscal 2009, compared with \$10.6 million in fiscal 2000.

The growing number of students also has a major impact on the community. According to Leistritz, student spending in the Fargo-Moorhead area is estimated to be \$9,400 per student per academic year, in addition to tuition and fees.

The total impact is staggering. "For fiscal 2009, the total impact was \$618 million if only non-general fund sources were included, and \$717 million if general fund sources were added," Leistritz said.



President Dean L. Bresciani

### The future

Progress has come and continues on many fronts across the university. With President Dean L. Bresciani at the helm, the people of NDSU are optimistically looking to the challenges and opportunities of the future. In the half century since the name change, NDSU has transformed, moved to the next level and its stature has increased among the nation's land-grant universities.



Images courtesy of NDSU Archives



# CLASS NOTES

## '40s

**LARRY AASEN**, FS '43, has written a history booklet about Westport, Conn., where he has lived for 46 years. He also has written three books on North Dakota.

## '50s

**ARLOWE HULETT**, BS '53, animal science, received the 2009 Western Region Hall of Fame Award from the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. Representing 13 western states, Hulett was honored for his dedication as an outstanding educator, effective leadership and humanitarian service. An educator with the University of Wyoming Cooperative Extension Service from 1957 until his retirement in 1987, Hulett served the association as western regional vice director and director and held the office of national secretary for two terms. He and his wife, Mary, live in Laramie, Wyo.

**ROSCOE CORELL**, BArch '54, received an award for "Distinguished Service in the Field of American Citizenship" from the American Legion in Nebraska for his accomplishments during the past 30 years. He is retired from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District. He lives in Omaha, Neb.

**CHARLES CHRISTIANS**, MS '58, animal science, received the first annual Silver Bell award from the Minnesota Lamb and Wool Producers. Christians has been a leader in producing new genetic lines of Montadale sheep through the National Regeneration Project, and he developed a marketing cooperative that features lambs naturally grown without antibiotics or hormones. He also established a Lamb Ambassador program for youth in the Midwest. Christians was a professor of animal science at the University of Minnesota prior to retirement. He is producing Montadale sheep and raising Simmental and Angus cattle on his farm near Long Prairie, Minn.

## '60s

**NORMAN BUCKHOUSE**, BS '61, MS '63, agricultural engineering, is a senior design engineer for Husqvarna power equipment company in McRae, Ga. He has been awarded patents on a steer system for walk-behind snow throwers and a hydrostatic transmission control on garden tractors. He lives in Dublin Ga.

**ED SCHMIT**, BS '64, agricultural engineering, retired from the California Department of Water Resources Delta-Suisun Marsh Office. He worked at the office for nine years after a 30-year career with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service. He lives in Davis, Calif.

**LESTER H. ANDERSON**, BS '65, agricultural mechanics, has completed 40 years of employment at the farm division of RDO Co. He lives in Elk River, Minn.

**KEITH HOLMAN**, BS '66, economics, and his wife, Carol, are celebrating 25 years of ownership of Holman Insurance in Blooming Prairie, Minn. In addition, he is serving as president of the Blooming Prairie Chamber of Commerce.

**JERRY WRIGHT**, BS '67, MS '69, agricultural engineering, retired after a 33-year career with the West Central Research and Outreach Center in Morris, Minn., and the Extension Service. He began his Extension career in Brooten, Minn., in 1976 and moved to the Morris facility in 1981.

**MARY (STRUBLE) AMUNDSON**, BS '69, sociology and criminal justice, was elected to the Program Directors Constituency Group for the National Area Health Education Center at its annual meeting in Washington, D.C., and also appointed to the board of directors for the Essentia Institute of Rural Health, based in Duluth, Minn. She is an assistant professor at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences in Grand Forks, N.D.

**BRIAN FJOSNE**, BS '69, economics, joined Kadrmas, Lee and Jackson as a right-of-way specialist for the firm's energy group.

**ERLING HOLEY**, BS '69, mechanical engineering, retired as a program manager of engineering services for Dallas Water Utilities. He and his wife, Susan, live in Austin, Texas.

**GEORGE QUALLEY**, BS '69, civil engineering, received the Andy Lee Award for Extraordinary Public Service at the annual Floodplain Management Association conference in San Jose, Calif. He retired in June 2009 as the chief of flood management for the California Department of Water Resources after a 33-year career with the department. He and his wife, Sharon, live in Sacramento, Calif.

## '70s

**ANSEL HAKANSON**, BS '70, agricultural engineering, retired as director of campus facilities planning after 32 years of service at Concordia College, Moorhead. Until 2006, he was director of the physical plant and oversaw major construction and remodeling projects. He received Concordia's Flaot Distinguished Service Award in 1998. He also served as a member of the Northland Educators Federal Credit Union board of directors on two occasions. He and his wife, Peggy, plan to travel in their motor home and spend time with their children and grandchildren.

**LARRY HARMSEN**, BS '70, horticulture, held an open house at his business, Harmsen's Greenhouse, to celebrate 50 years in operation. The business, which has approximately 30 employees, is located in LaMoure, N.D.

**CLIFF HERMES**, MED '70, education administration, was named 2009 Alumnus of the Year at North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton, N.D. He taught and coached at the school from 1964-90, and is active in its Letterwinners Club.

**DAVID MARING**, BS '71, sociology and business administration, was chosen as president-elect of the Western States Bar Association, which includes 16 states. He is set to become president of the organization in March 2011 for a one-year term. His firm, Maring Williams Law Office P.C., has offices in Bismarck, N.D.; Fargo; and Detroit Lakes, Minn.

**SUBBARAO WUNNAVA**, MS '71, electrical and electronic engineering, wrote the book "Life and Career of a Professor," published by Amazon Corp. The book outlines the requirements, expectations and challenges of an academic career, based on his 45 years in academia. He recently retired as distinguished professor of electrical and computer engineering at Florida International University in Miami. He and his wife, Sunanda, live in Miami.



**JON HANSON**, BS '73, biological sciences, MS '76, botany, retired as the laboratory director of the Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory in Mandan, N.D. He has led the lab since 1998 and has enjoyed a 30-year career with the USDA Agricultural Research Service. He and his wife, Phyllis, live in Bismarck, N.D.

**MIKE DEWEY**, BS '74, pharmacy, is celebrating the silver anniversary of owning Twin Valley Drug in Twin Valley, Minn. He purchased the business in 1985 after working for White Drug in Detroit Lakes, Minn., for nine years. He and his wife, Karla, live in Twin Valley.



**DR. RUSSEL KUZEL**, BS '75, biological sciences, was named senior vice president and chief medical officer at UCare, a nonprofit health plan providing services to 200,000 members in Minnesota and western Wisconsin. He previously was chief medical officer for Security Health Plan of Marshfield, Wis. He lives in New Brighton, Minn.

**ELAINE LARSON**, BS '75, home economics education, MS '77, textiles and clothing, received the North Dakota Association of Teacher Educators Distinguished Educator Award. She is the director of teacher advisement and field placement and an associate professor of education at Minot State University.

**MICHAEL LOCKHART**, BS '75, agriculture education, and his wife, Carol, were named Becker County's 2010 Valley Farmer and Homemaker. They live near Ulen, Minn., and have a 1,150-acre farming operation. He also is a farm business instructor at Northland College in Thief River Falls, Minn.

**MICHAEL MROZ**, BS '75, architectural studies, was promoted to regional accounts practice lead for Jones Lang LaSalle, a global real estate firm. He works with major accounts such as Microsoft, Cisco, Sun Microsystems and T Mobile. He and his wife, Diane, have three children and live in Woodinville, Wash.

**CURTIS STOFFERAHN**, BS '75, social science, was elected secretary of the Rural Sociological Society, an association that promotes the generation, application and dissemination of sociological knowledge. He is a professor of sociology at the University of North Dakota.

**DON VIGESAA**, BS '75, economics, was elected chair of the Automobile Dealers Association of North Dakota. He is president of V-W Motors Inc., a Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep dealership in Cooperstown, N.D.

**GORDON GRANER**, BS '76, animal science, works with the agricultural component of the Thiu Rancho Center, a rural ministry near Cochabamba, Bolivia. The program is affiliated with the Bolivian Evangelical Methodist Church.



**PETER C. IWEN**, BS '76, bacteriology, was promoted to a full professor in the College of Medicine at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Neb. He is a clinical microbiologist in the Department of Pathology and Microbiology and campus biosafety officer. He and his wife, **BEVERLY (BAUMLER)**, BS '78, child development and family relations, live in Omaha and have four grown children.

**DR. JON KASPARI**, BS '76, zoology, is the medical director for Northland Community Health Center and also sees patients in McClusky and Turtle Lake, N.D. He and his wife, Brenda, live in Bismarck, N.D.

**RANDALL STREIFEL**, BS '76, agricultural economics, is president and CEO of Liberty State Bank in Powers Lake, N.D.

**GREGORY VANDAL**, BS '76, English and speech, received the 2009 Polaris Leadership Award from the Minnesota Association of School Administrators. The honor recognizes exemplary leadership with 20 or more years of administrative experience. He is superintendent for Sauk Rapids-Rice School District in Minnesota. He and his wife, Jan, live in Sauk Rapids.

**CORREEN DAMMEN**, BS '77, animal science, retired from the United States Postal Service after 29 years. She is self-employed, owning Letters, Ledgers and More. She lives in Deadwood, S.D.



**JOHN R. KLAII II**, BA '77, architectural studies, BArch '78, architecture, was elected to the National Council for Interior Design Qualification board of directors. He is the first licensed architect to serve on the board. He is a principal and co-founder of Klai Juba Architects, based in Las Vegas.

**TERRY KRISTENSEN**, BS '77, pharmacy, received the Bowl of Hygeia Award at the 125th annual convention of the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association. He is the owner of Heritage Pharmacy in Bismarck, N.D.

**SCOTT OLSON**, BS '77, civil engineering, joined the staff of Houston Engineering Inc. in Bismarck, N.D. He is a registered professional engineer in North Dakota and Minnesota.



**HILLOL RAY**, MS '77, environmental engineering, had his 2010 theme poem selected for the 23rd anniversary conference book published by the Federal Asian Pacific American Community in Washington, D.C. His poem also was published and displayed by four regions of the Environmental Protection Agency.

**DR. JERRY STOKKA**, BS '77, animal science, was named president of the Academy of Veterinary Consultants. He is a technical service veterinarian for Pfizer Animal Health. He lives in Cooperstown, N.D.

**DOUG BURGUM**, BUS '78, university studies, HD '00, received the Theodore Roosevelt Rough Rider Award. Gov. John Hoeven presented the honor, which recognizes North Dakotans who have been influenced by the state in achieving national recognition in their fields. A former senior vice president for Microsoft, he founded the Kilbourne Group in 1996 to support the redevelopment of downtown Fargo.

**JULIE HENDERSON**, MS '78, social science, was selected for a two-year term as national faculty adviser for the 10,000-member Public Relations Student Society of America, which has more than 300 chapters in the United States and Argentina. She also sits on the society's 14-member national executive committee. She is a professor in the Department of Journalism at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

**CURT KNUTSON**, BS '78, agricultural mechanics, retired from Fargo's 119th Wing of the North Dakota Air National Guard as a senior master sergeant. He was the last Vietnam veteran serving in the unit. He and his wife, Tammy, farm near Page, N.D.

**LYNN PAULSON**, BS '78, agricultural education, was elected to the Noridian Mutual Insurance Co. board of directors. He is the chief executive officer of Choice Financial Group, based in Grafton, N.D.

**GREG WOLSKY**, BFA '78, drama, was named director of marketing at Holland and Hart, the largest law firm in the Mountain West region. The Denver-based firm has more than 400 attorneys at offices in Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and Washington, D.C. He previously was chief marketing officer at Lindquist and Vennum in Minneapolis.

**ALENE (CHURNNESS) OLSON**, BS '79, home economics education, was part of an 11-member mission team from Alexandria, Minn., that traveled to Belize. The mission served the children of Holy Cross Anglican School on the island of Ambergris near the city of San Pedro. Olson writes that the community is one of the poorest in Belize and the needs are great. She said a return trip is planned for 2011. She noted **AL ZEITHAMER**, BS '76, agriculture, also was a member of the mission team.

## '80s

**MICHAEL GUNSCH**, BS '80, construction management, BS '81, civil engineering, received the Elwin F. Chandler Award from the North Dakota Society of Professional Engineers. The honor recognizes significant contributions to the advancement of the profession. He is a principal of Houston Engineering Inc. in Bismarck, N.D.

**LUCIA SCHROEDER**, MS '80, home economics education, moved from teaching in the education department at Eastern Illinois University to working with the Master of Arts in Teaching program, an online degree from Marygrove College in Detroit.

**COL. ROBERT WALTON**, BS '80, civil engineering, is brigade commander for the North Dakota National Guard 141st Maneuver Enhancement Brigade. In his civilian career, he is the Fargo district engineer for the Department of Transportation. He and his wife, Patricia, live in Fargo.

**MATTHEW MOHR**, BS '81, economics and business management, wrote his seventh book, "3D Living" explores living with determination, discipline and direction. A regular contributor to Prairie Business magazine, Mohr is president of Dacotah Paper Co. in Fargo. He lives in Fargo.

**RICHARD WOLF**, BS '81, chemistry is a systems engineer for Beckman Coulter Inc. He also is a member of the Prior Lake-Savage Growth Task Force. He lives in Savage, Minn.

**BRAD OACHS**, BS '82, MS '82, mechanical engineering, was promoted to chief operating officer for Minnesota Power in Duluth, Minn. He oversees general operations, customer service, engineering services, power delivery and transmission, Superior Water Light and Power, and BNI Coal Ltd. He has been with the company since 1989.

**NORLYN SWENSON**, BS '82, vocational agriculture education, joined the faculty of Bismarck State College as an assistant professor of mechanical maintenance technology.

**JON HUSEBY**, BS '83, civil engineering, was named district engineer for the Minnesota Department of Transportation's District 8 office in Willmar. He is involved with the Minnesota Society of Engineers and Surveyors and Minnesota Society of Professional Engineers.

**JEFF KRAMER**, BS '83, computer science, was named vice president for technology for Hosted Solutions, a company with facilities in Boston; and Charlotte, Raleigh, and Cary, N.C. He previously was a senior vice president for Lulu.com, an online publisher. He lives in Cary.

**JOHN SATROM**, BS '83, MS '87, agricultural economics, was named president and CEO of Northwestern Bank, which has locations in Moorhead, Dilworth, Ulen and Hendrum, Minn.

**JERRY STROMBERG**, BS '83, electrical and electronic engineering, joined Appareo Systems in Fargo as an account executive.

**SARAH (KASPARI) BAKER**, AD '84, nursing, heads the medical staff of the McClusky Clinic in McClusky, N.D. The clinic is a branch of Northland Community Health Center. She and her husband, Ray, live in Bismarck, N.D.

**DARYL SPLICHAL**, MBA '84, business administration, was named director of audit services for the North Dakota Department of Transportation in Bismarck.

**ROSS WATERMAN**, AD '84, agriculture, BS '88, agricultural economics, joined Green Iron Equipment as store manager at the LaMoure, N.D., location. He previously worked for Bobcat as a district manager in Iowa, Wisconsin and Florida. He and his wife, **KENDRA (BALTES)**, AD '85, live in Forman, N.D.

**MAUREEN (JOHNSON) BENTZ**, AD '85, nursing, was named 2009 Nurse Management - Women's Health Nurse of the Year by the North Dakota chapter of the March of Dimes. She is director of OB/GYN/L&D/PP/NICU at Medcenter One in Bismarck, N.D.

**MARY FRENZEL**, MS '85, psychology, is a licensed psychologist who recently joined the out-patient staff for Lakeland Mental Health Center Inc. of Detroit Lakes, Minn.

**DR. SUSAN LECY**, BS '85, home economics, opened Lecy Chiropractic in Belle Plaine, Minn., as well as having offices in Waconia, Minn. She and her husband, Nate Lindall, have two daughters and live in Carver, Minn.

**JEFF GRIEVE**, BS '86, music education, was hired as a personal loan underwriter in Gate City Bank's corporate personal loan administration department in Fargo.

**MARILYN (GILLES) HARRIS**, AD '86, nursing, was promoted to resident care manager at Eventide Lutheran Home in Moorhead. She is a registered nurse, and has been with Eventide since 2003.

**JANICE (THOMPSON) KOSBAB**, BS '86, mathematics education, was inducted into the Lakeville, Minn. High School Athletic Hall of Fame. She was an All-Conference selection in three sports - volleyball, basketball and softball - in high school. She and her husband, **BRUCE**, BS '86, MS '89, live in Colorado Springs, Colo.

**VALERIE (JANSSEN) NORDIN**, AD '86, design, joined Sterling Carpet One Floor and Home in Grand Forks, N.D., as an interior designer.

**BRYAN SCHMIDT**, BS '86, electrical and electronic engineering, joined Intelligent InSites of Fargo as director of engineering. With 22 years of experience, he previously worked for Microsoft, Rockwell International and Integrated Technical Systems.

**MARCY SCHULTE**, BArch '86, architecture, and **WILLIAM F. CONWAY**, BA '87, architectural studies, were project team members for the MacArthur Park Connections Master Plan for Little Rock, Ark. The plan received an American Institute of Architects Honor Award for Regional and Urban Design. They are co-owners of Conway+Schulte Architects P.A. in Minneapolis.

**RUSS TWEITEN**, BS '86, agricultural economics, was named vice president and trust officer with Bremer Investment Management and Trust in Fargo.

**WAYNE ZINK**, BS '86, business administration, was promoted to president of Choice Financial in the Grand Forks, N.D., market. He joined the company in 2008 as senior vice president for business banking.

**LEE ANN (GULLEKSON) GRIMLEY**, BS '87, economics and business administration, is president-elect of the Iowa Association of School Boards. The organization represents Iowa's 361 school districts, 10 area education agencies and 15 community colleges. She is president of the Springville, Iowa, school board. She and her husband, **JEFF**, BS '86, live in Springville.



**DR. JAY LABINE**, BS '87, zoology, was named medical director of Priority Health in Grand Rapids, Mich. Priority Health is an award-winning health benefits company providing services to more than 500,000 people.

**JIM SCHAEFBAUER**, BS '87, computer science and business administration, was promoted to assistant vice president of information technology at CoreLink Administrative Solutions of Fargo.

**ANN (BRANDJORD) MONSON**, BS '88, accounting, was appointed Bottineau County treasurer. She has worked in the office for about seven years, most recently as deputy treasurer. She and her husband, Jeff, have three children.

**PATRICIA STAPLES**, MA '88, speech communication, is director of marketing at Minnesota State University Moorhead. She previously was a consultant with Staples and Co., and executive vice president for marketing at First Bankshares.

**MARK REINHILLER**, BS '89, mass communication, is the sports information director at Cal Poly Pomona. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Beaumont, Calif.

**LAURA (OLSON) SCHWARTZWALD**, BS '89, pharmacy, was appointed to a four-year term on the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy by Gov. Tim Pawlenty. She is a pharmacist in Aitkin, Minn., and a clinical instructor with the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy. She and her husband, **MICHAEL**, BS '89, live in Aitkin.

## '90s

**JOE BANISTER**, BS '90, business administration and accounting, was named vice president of internal credit for Choice Financial in Fargo. He and his wife, Janel, live in Fargo.

**JAY FROST**, BS '90, electrical engineering, became a licensed professional engineer in the state of Minnesota. He is a senior electrical project engineer with AECOM/Elerbe Becket in Minneapolis. He previously worked six years with Hammel, Green and Abrahamson in Minneapolis. He lives in Brooklyn Park, Minn., with his wife, Mindy, and their two children.

**LANCE GAEBE**, BS '90, animal and range science, MBA '93, business administration, was named state land commissioner for North Dakota. He previously was the deputy chief of staff for Gov. John Hoeven.

**DR. TODD OFFICER**, BS '90, electrical and electronic engineering, joined the family medicine group at St. Joseph's Area Health Services and Innovis Health in Park Rapids, Minn. He completed his residency at Rapid City, S.D., Regional Hospital. He and his wife, **DR. RANAE DOLL**, BS '92, live in Park Rapids.

**TIM ROGELSTAD**, BS '90, electrical and electronic engineering, was named to the board of directors for the United Way of Otter Tail County. He is the manager of delivery planning at Otter Tail Power Co. in Fergus Falls, Minn.

**KELLY (MUECKE) HULTZ**, BS '91, pharmacy, and her husband, Scott, have opened Altru Clinic Pharmacy and Altru Clinic Family Medicine Center Pharmacies in Grand Forks, N.D.

**DAIN MILLER**, BS '91, civil engineering, was promoted to vice president for transportation within the civil sector of Ulteig in Fargo. He is a registered professional engineer in North Dakota and Minnesota.



**BARRY OLSON**, BS '91, general science education, MED '01, secondary education, was named the 2009 North Dakota recipient of the Milken National Educator Award. The honor is presented annually to 50 outstanding educators across the country, and includes an unrestricted \$25,000 cash award and a trip to Los Angeles to gather with other state winners. He is an eighth grade science teacher at Ben Franklin Middle School in Fargo.

**JOHN SAUBER**, BS '91, civil engineering, was promoted to west central regional vice president for Interstate Engineering. He has been with the company for 12 years, and is the senior project engineer for the firm's Jamestown, N.D., office.

**MICHAEL FOLLMAN**, BS '92, agricultural engineering, is a manufacturing engineer at Sioux Manufacturing Corp. in Fort Totten, N.D. He lives on a farm near York, N.D., with his wife, **KARI (HAUGEN)**, BS '95, and their three children.

**TODD JELINSKI**, BArch '92, was hired as senior project architect at EAPC Architects and Engineers. He previously worked for Opus Architects and Engineers in Minneapolis. EAPC has offices in Grand Forks, Jamestown, Fargo, Minot and Bismarck, N.D.; Bemidji, Minn.; and Norwich, Vt.

**NICOLETTE (UNTERSEHER) MIRANOWSKI**, BS '92, agricultural economics, was named executive director of the Faribault County office of the Minnesota State Farm Service Agency. The office is located in Blue Earth, Minn.

**DOUG CROWTHER**, BS '93, business administration, is an information technology specialist with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in Arlington, Va. He lives in Silver Spring, Md.

**CHRIS HANDLEY**, BA '93, mass communication, joined the Clearbrook-Gonvick, Minn., school system as an English teacher after teaching in Montana for more than seven years. He and his wife, Lisa, live near McIntosh, Minn., with their two children.

**JASON HOSKINS**, BS '93, electrical and electronic engineering, was named senior vice president for the energy sector of Ulteig Engineering's office in Minneapolis. He works with clients ranging from local power cooperatives to global energy producers. He lives in Elk River, Minn.





**STACEY ACKERMAN**, BA '94, English and sociology, was named a 2010 Marshall Memorial fellow. As a fellow, she will travel to European countries during a three-week period to study economics, markets and financial services. The German Marshall Fund of the United States awards more than 100 fellowships each year to leaders committed to strengthening transatlantic relationships. She is a wealth specialist for Wells Fargo's Wealth Management Group in Fargo.

**THOMAS J. ANDERSON**, BS '94, mechanical engineering, was named vice president of facilities at WCCO Belting in Wahpeton, N.D. He lives in West Fargo.

**WADE BOESHANS**, BS '95, civil engineering, was named general manager of BNT Coal Ltd., with responsibility for the Bismarck, N.D., office and the mine operations near Center, N.D. He lives in Washburn, N.D.

**HERMAN "HANS" KANDEL**, PhD '95, plant sciences, recently returned from an assignment in Uganda through the CNFA Farmer-to-Farmer program. He instructed local farmers in harvesting and handling techniques of sunflower and groundnut production. He is an NDSU Extension agronomist.

**STACI LEE**, BS '95, food science, joined the North Dakota Farm Bureau staff as the leadership development assistant. She lives in Kindred, N.D.

**PAUL MUND**, BS '95, industrial engineering and management, MBA '06, business administration, was promoted to corporate pricing manager at Dakota Supply Group in Fargo. He has worked for the company since 1996.

**STEVE EMERY**, BS '96, civil engineering, was named a partner at FS Engineering in East Grand Forks, Minn. He has worked for the company since 1996.

**JEFFREY HYSJULIEN**, BS '96, environmental design, BArch '97, architecture, was selected to spearhead the opening of JLG Architects' office branch in Bismarck, N.D. A registered architect in Minnesota, he previously was the chief design architect for Life Time Fitness Inc.

**JASON ROHR**, BS '96, agricultural education, MS '03, education administration, was promoted to insurance specialist at AgCountry Farm Credit Services in Jamestown, N.D. Prior to joining AgCountry, he was an agricultural education instructor for the Jamestown Public Schools.

**CHRISTI (MARTELL) RONDEAU**, BS '96, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '00, pharmacy, opened a pharmacy in Belcourt, N.D. An enrolled tribe member on the Turtle Mountain Reservation, she is believed to be the first American Indian female to graduate with a doctorate in pharmacy.



**ERIK WEDGE**, BArch '96, architecture, was promoted to partner for DSGW Architects in Duluth, Minn. A past president of the Northern Chapter of American Institute of Architects, Wedge has received the AIA Minnesota Presidential Citation.

**DAVID HELD**, BS '97, mass communication, is a business analyst for Sundog in Fargo. He previously was a product marketing manager for Microsoft and circulation manager for Minnesota Monthly magazine.

**BRETT OLSON**, BS '97, psychology, MA '99, human resources, was named benefits and compensation manager for both RDO Equipment Co. and R.D. Offutt Co. of Fargo. He previously was human resources manager at Otter Tail Corp.

**KURT SANDMAN**, BS '97, civil engineering, was named 2009 Young Engineer of the Year by the F-M Engineers Club, the local chapter of the North Dakota Society of Professional Engineers. He is a structural engineer and owns Sandman Consulting of Moorhead.

**VICKI SCHNEIDER**, BS '97, civil engineering, joined MBN Engineering of Fargo as a senior transmission engineer. She has more than 10 years of experience in the design of high voltage power lines.

**KELLY SWANSON**, BS '97, animal and range sciences, was inducted into the Lincoln High School Prowler Hall of Fame in Thief River Falls, Minn. An associate professor of animal sciences at the University of Illinois, he also received the 2010 American Society for Nutrition Bio Serve Award in Experimental Animal Nutrition.

**SCOTT WAGNER**, BS '97, political science, was named North Dakota County Commissioner of the Year by the North Dakota Association of Counties. A member of the Cass County Commission, Wagner sits on the National Association of Counties Community and Economic Development Steering Committee and is vice chair of the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund board of directors. He was first elected to the commission in 2000, and served as board chairman in 2003 and 2007. He is serving his third and final term as a commissioner.

**JEREMY ZWINGER**, BS '97, biological sciences, hosted the Philippine Secretary of Agriculture and 400 executives from more than 30 nations at the World Rice Conference in Cebu, Philippines. The conference was designed to boost food supply, stabilize markets and restore profitability. He is the owner of Farm and Trade Inc. of Chico, Calif.

**TYLER ALBERTSON**, BS '98, mechanical engineering, joined Marcus Construction Co. of Prinsburg, Minn., as the head of its mechanical engineering department. He has 10 years experience in power generation and process engineering, and is a registered engineer in 32 states.

**BRYAN JACOBSON**, BS '98, construction management, joined the staff of Kadrmaz, Lee and Jackson in Bismarck, N.D.

**DAVID MARTIN**, MEd '98, education administration, is a vice president for Choice Financial in Fargo. He is the former president and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce of Fargo Moorhead.

**BRENT THOMPSON**, PharmD '98, pharmacy, was elected president of the Minnesota Pharmacists Association. He is the pharmacy director at Kanabec Hospital in Mora, Minn. He lives in Pine City, Minn.



**JAMI (PETRY) BERGER**, BS '99, nursing, was promoted to assistant vice president of medical quality in the medical management department of Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota in Fargo. She oversees activities including MediQHome, Health Informatics and the Quality Management Program.

**ERIC DODDS**, BS '99, MS '02, civil engineering, was named a delegate-at-large for the Water Environment Federation, an association that provides technical education and training for water quality professionals. He is the operations manager for Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services of Grand Forks, N.D.

**MARK HUBBARD**, BS '99, accounting, is a business banker with Cornerstone Bank in Fargo. He previously worked for Gate City Bank.

**THOMAS JACKSON**, BS '99, history, joined the Larson Latham Huettl law firm in Bismarck, N.D. His primary areas of practice are family law, civil litigation, commercial transactions and estate planning. He lives in Mandan, N.D., where he is a city commissioner.

**SHANNON LAVIN**, BS '99, psychology, joined Bremer's insurance team. Based in Fargo, she covers the eastern North Dakota region providing service to commercial clients. She previously was an account manager at Warner and Co. of Fargo.

**NANCY WOLFF**, BS '99, corporate and community fitness, was promoted to executive director of the American Heart Association - Dallas Division. She joined the association in 2008 and lives in Plano, Texas.

## '00s

**ROBERT GRANDY**, BS '00, hotel, motel and restaurant management, is a Farmers Union Insurance agent in Steele, N.D.

**BEN MCNAMARA**, BS '00, business administration, MBA '02, joined the Ultima Bank Minnesota loan production office in Bemidji, Minn., as a credit analyst. He and his wife, **LISA, (WEBER)**, BS '99, and their two children live in Fosston, Minn.

**KARLA (KRATZKE) RICHARDS**, MS '00, counseling and guidance, received the 2009 North Dakota Award for Professional Excellence in Human Resource Management. She is the director of human resources at Sysco North Dakota in Fargo.

**RYAN ODDEN**, BS '01, construction engineering, was named highway engineer for Wadena County in Minnesota. He had been assistant engineer in Todd County since 2001.

**JASON OSTER**, BS '01, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '03, pharmacy, joined Altru Clinic Pharmacy in the Family Medicine Center in Grand Forks, N.D.

**AMY RADUNZ**, MS '01, animal and range science, joined the University of Wisconsin Extension service in Madison, Wis., as a beef specialist.

**BEN HAMMER**, BS '02, zoology, joined IdeaOne Telecom in Fargo as a business account manager.

**ANGIE (BINSTOCK) MILAKOVIC**, MS '02, natural resources management, is the coordinator of Bismarck State College's Geographic Information Systems Technician Program. She is conducting research with the GeoTech Center of Corpus Christi, Texas. She and her husband, Stewart, live in Mandan, N.D.



**HEATHER (WOLFE) NOVAK**, BS '02, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '04, is the owner along with her husband, **SETH NOVAK**, BS '05, business administration, of InHealth Specialty Pharmacy in Fargo. Formerly Pharmacare, InHealth Specialty Pharmacy is a compounding only pharmacy that has been serving the area for more than seven years.

**SHELLY (CASE) SOHOLT**, BS '02, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '04, pharmacy, was named a supervisor at Altru Clinic Pharmacy in Grand Forks, N.D.

**DAVE UHLIR**, BS '02, environmental design, BArch '02, architecture, joined JLG Architects of Fargo as a project designer.

**MATTHEW D. WALSVIK**, BS '02, civil engineering, is a senior project engineer in the Rural/Regional Water Division of Bartlett and West Inc. in Bismarck, N.D. He previously was employed at Ulteig Engineers in Fargo.

**DEANN (GALDE) YOUNG**, BS '02, crop and weed sciences, is the new district conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service at the Lakota, N.D., field office.

**SHAWN GADDIE**, BS '03, civil engineering, joined the ownership group of Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services Inc. He is the operations manager of the company's Grand Forks, N.D., office.

**DR. JARED NICHOLS**, BS '03, zoology, opened Nichols Family Chiropractic Office in Fargo.

**TRAVIS SKONSENG**, BS '03, business administration, is a reporter and weekend news anchor for WDAY-TV in Fargo.

**SARA (TEGTMEIER) STONE**, BS '03, mass communication, is a technical writer for Intelligent InSites of Fargo. She previously worked at Blue Cross Blue Shield and Noridian as an editor and project coordinator.

**HEIDI (MILLER) ANDERSON**, BS '04, agricultural economics, is a grain accountant at Prairie Lakes Cooperative's elevator in Glenwood, Minn. She and her husband, **GRANT ANDERSON**, BS '04, agriculture, have a diversified farming operation.

**DANIELLE FOERTSCH**, BS '04, environmental design, BArch '04, architecture, is a project architect specializing in healthcare design at Architects Alaska in Anchorage. She is a registered architect in Minnesota and Alaska and is an active member of the American Institute of Architects. She lives in Anchorage.

**KADEE HANDE**, BS '04, mass communication, is a livestock development specialist for the North Dakota Department of Agriculture. She works with dairy and livestock producers by providing technical support, research and contact information.

**JARED HELLER**, BS '04, civil engineering, is a design engineer for Ulteig in Fargo. He works in the company's civil sector.

**NICHOLAS JENSEN**, BS '04, environmental design, BArch '04, architecture, joined the Fargo office of JLG Architects as a project designer.

**KRISTEN (NAASTAD) LOTVEDT**, BS '04, civil engineering, joined the staff of Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services in the Grand Forks, N.D., office. She is a design engineer.

**REBECCA (MUCHOW) MOLLIDREM**, BS '04, environmental design, BArch '04, architecture, received licensure as a registered architect in North Dakota. She also is a LEED accredited professional. She is a project designer at JLG Architects in Fargo.

**BRADLEY NEUERBURG**, BS '04, environmental design, BArch '04, architecture, passed the architectural registration examination. He works for Mohagen/Hansen Architectural Group in Wayzata, Minn.

**JAIME PALCZEWSKI**, BS '04, natural resource management, joined the Lisbon, N.D., USDA Service Center as the district conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

**RYAN RUSTAD**, BS '04, business administration, was named branch manager of United Community Bank in Frazee, Minn. He and his wife, Mya, and their two children live in rural Frazee.

**NAOMI SCHEMP**, BS '04, mass communication, was promoted to assistant vice president at Gate City Bank in Fargo. She is the call center supervisor of the bank's virtual office.



**BRIAN SMIDT**, BS '04, facility management, was elected to the Leadership and Education Committee for the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging. He is a section head in the Department of Facilities, Systems and Support Services at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

**JUSTIN SORBY**, BS '04, agribusiness, was named manager of the Archer Daniels Midland facility in Sanborn, Minn.

**HOLLY (WENTLAND) TORRENS**, BS '04, electrical engineering, and her husband, **BEN TORRENS**, BS '04, electrical engineering, started Holben Design LLC. The gift company has produced porcelain "Prayer Angels," which hold greeting cards, photos or other keepsakes. They live in Cottage Grove, Minn.

**BENJAMIN CHRISTENSON**, BS '05, electrical engineering, joined the engineering firm of Widseth Smith and Nolting in Alexandria, Minn. He is responsible for electrical engineering designs for governmental, industrial, educational, health care and commercial facilities.

**REBECCA (LEBRUN) GOETTLE**, BS '05, business administration, was named branch manager for the BNC National Bank location in Stanley, N.D. She and her husband, **WYATT**, BS '08, have one son, Carter.

**JACKIE GRIFFITHS**, BS '05, dietetics, started a consulting company named Nutrition For Life in Fargo. The firm is involved with research studies, clinical analyses, patient assessments and counseling.

**DR. TRAVIS JOHNSON**, BS '05, zoology, is practicing in San Diego after earning a doctorate of chiropractic from Northwestern Health Sciences University in Bloomington, Minn. He lives in San Diego.

**JAMES R. LARSON**, BS '05, mechanical engineering, is a test engineer for Trax International in Yuma, Ariz. His wife, **REBECCA (INGRAHAM) LARSON**, BS '07, mass communication, is a community outreach specialist in the community relations department at Yuma Regional Medical Center. They have a daughter, Kaylyn, and live in Yuma.

**DR. CASSIE MAIRS**, BS '05, zoology, earned her Doctor of Optometry degree from Pacific University College of Optometry in Oregon and joined Crosby Eye Clinic. The clinic has locations in Remer, Crosby and Baxter, Minn.

**KATHLEEN (MAHAR) NILSON**, BS '05, mass communication, joined Western State Bank of West Fargo as a business banking assistant.

**MATTHEW OLSON**, BS '05, zoology, is a Pheasants Forever farm bill biologist, with duties to educate farmers and landowners about the benefits of conservation programs. He is based out of the Wild Rice Soil Conservation District office in Forman, N.D. He lives in Fort Ransom, N.D.

**KRISTOFFER L. PEDERSON**, BS '05, environmental design, BArch '05, architecture, became a licensed architect. An employee of Krech Ojard and Associates of Duluth, Minn., he is a member of the board of directors of the Northern Minnesota Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

**KARINE POGOSYAN**, MEd '05, counseling and guidance, earned professional recognition as a certified administrator in physician practice management and an executive fellow in practice management from the American Academy of Medical Management. She is the director of physician recruitment at Avera St. Luke's in Aberdeen, S.D.

**SAMUEL WILKE**, BS '05, civil engineering, joined EAPC of Grand Forks, N.D., as a structural engineer. He previously had been with Structural Design Group of Rochester, Minn.

**SCOTT ZOLONDEK**, BS '05, agribusiness, was named a sales representative for Avenue Right, a marketing technology company in Fargo.

**JEFF COX**, BS '06, electrical engineering, joined Edgepath Technology, the information technology department of Applied Engineering in Fargo. He is an application developer.

**CHELSEA CRONIN**, BS '06, mass communication and speech communication, was named special events coordinator for the ALS Association, Minnesota Chapter - North Dakota Division. She organizes events across North Dakota for the organization that fights "Lou Gehrig's disease." She lives in Fargo.

**JUSTIN FRAASE**, BS '06, mass communication, was named general manager at Wildflower Golf Course in Detroit Lakes, Minn.

**MELISSA (BROSSART) JIRAVA**, BS '06, pharmaceutical science, PharmD '08, pharmacy, was named the chief pharmacist at Thrifty White Drug in Mahanomen, Minn.

**MARC KNUTSON**, BS '06, business administration, was promoted to loan officer at Blackridge Bank in Fargo. Previously a credit analyst, he joined the bank in 2007.

**AMY LYNNE**, BS '06, facility management, joined Padgett Business Services of Fargo as a client services representative.

**JOEL PORTER**, BA '06, mass communication, joined KFYY-TV in Bismarck, N.D., as a morning anchor. He previously worked at WDAZ-TV in Grand Forks, N.D. He lives in Bismarck.

**JARED SCHULTZ**, BS '06, agricultural and biosystems engineering, was promoted to equipment and engineering manager at Black Gold Farms in Grand Forks, N.D.

**MELISSA (HENNEN) BEACH**, BS '07, mass communication, is executive director of the Traill County Economic Development Commission in Mayville, N.D. She and her husband, Josh, live in Hillsboro, N.D.

**BEN CORY**, BS '07, mass communication, was named office supervisor at Gate City Bank's corporate office in Fargo.

**HALEY (WATSON) FALCONER**, BS '07, civil engineering, earned her master's degree from Washington State University and joined HDR Engineering in Boise, Idaho.

**ANN KUETTEL**, BS '07, construction management, is a field engineer for Jamar Co., in Duluth, Minn.

**MEGAN (FUGLEBERG) LIND**, BS '07, business administration, was promoted to loan officer at Blackridge Bank of Fargo. She joined the bank in 2007 and previously was a client satisfaction specialist.

**KAREN PRESKEY**, BS '07, biotechnology, BA '07, Spanish, is a Peace Corps volunteer in Ethiopia and was among one of the first groups to enter the country since 2000. In the fall of 2007, she arrived in Ethiopia to work in HIV education, care and support. Preskey works with community members to provide care and support for orphans, teaches English classes, helps run a life skills program for the high school, participates in polio vaccination campaigns and translates for an Operation Smile campaign.

**KRISTA (BRAG) REISER**, BS '07, animal and range sciences, is a program biologist for Ducks Unlimited. She has an office in McClusky, N.D., and ranches nearby with her husband, Jay.

**TIMOTHY (TJ) ROONEY**, BS '07, business administration, was promoted to vice president and business banking officer at Starion Financial in Bismarck, N.D.

**AMANDA SALISBURY**, BS '07, management communication, was promoted to personal banker at Alerus Financial's West Fargo branch.



**BRENDA (WHITTIER) WEISZ**, BS '07, nursing, was named senior executive of facility operations at Bethany Retirement Living in Fargo. She oversees nursing, dietary, therapy, social service, building service and community life department at Bethany on 42nd. She joined Bethany's staff in 2001.

**JACOB BAILEY**, BS '08, agricultural economics, joined the New Horizons Ag Services Grain Division in Herman, Minn. He is a grain procurement merchandiser.

**SEAN HAGEN**, BS '08, criminal justice, is a deputy with the Golden Valley County Sheriff's Department in Beach, N.D.

**MIKE HEMMINGER**, BS '08, mechanical engineering, is a nuclear refueling engineer for the U.S. Department of Defense at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton, Wash. He lives in Silverdale, Wash.

**JAMIE JOHNSON**, BS '08, political science, is the sales associate for the Horace, N.D., office of Nodak Mutual Insurance.

**NATALIE LINN**, BS '08, athletic training, joined Lakewood Health System's rehabilitation department. She also has athletic training duties for the Staples-Motley school district in Minnesota.

**ANDREA PUPPE**, BS '08, business administration, joined the Langdon, N.D., branch of Ameriprise Financial as a marketing specialist.

**EVAN SORENSON**, BS '08, criminal justice, was sworn in as a deputy in the Mower County Sheriff's Department in Austin, Minn.

**STEVE WALKER**, BS '08, business administration, was named a financial representative for Country Financial in Fargo.

**SARAH WELLS**, BS '08, dietetics, joined LilyCare Clinic in West Fargo as a licensed registered dietitian.

**CHARLIE WOIDA**, MS '08, health, nutrition and exercise science, joined Noonan Sport Specialists in Alexandria, Minn., as director of sports performance. He is a certified strength and conditioning specialist.

**DAVID FAUGHT**, BS '09, computer science, joined Phoenix International in Fargo as a software design engineer.

**JONATHAN FOSS**, BS '09, public relations and advertising, is a leadership consultant for the northeast chapters of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He lives in Indianapolis.

**TANA GEFFRE**, BS '09, business administration, joined the staff of Vue Community Credit Union in Bismarck, N.D. She is a member service representative.

**ALISIA (BECKER) HANSEY**, BS '09, criminal justice, joined Park Co. Realtors in Fargo as a sales associate.

**JAMIE HEGLAND**, BS '09, electrical engineering, joined Phoenix International of Fargo as an electronic design engineer.

**SCOTT KOLBINGER**, BS '09, civil engineering, joined the Bismarck, N.D., office of Kadrmaz, Lee and Jackson as an engineer in the municipal group.

**JENNA KOUBA**, BAcc '09, accountancy, joined Brady, Martz and Associates P.C. in Bismarck, N.D.

**JEFF KYLLO**, BS '09, business administration, joined New Horizons of Chokio, Minn., as an agronomy production sales specialist. He lives in Chokio.

**ANGIE (NIEMANN) LAXDAL**, BS '09, public relations and advertising, joined SimmonsFlint in Grand Forks, N.D., as an account coordinator.

**SARA LITTON**, BS '09, management communication, is a service and support specialist for Intelligent InSites of Fargo. She previously was an associate project manager for Sundog in Fargo.

**NICK MOSZER**, BS '09, electrical engineering, joined Phoenix International of Fargo as a software design engineer.

**JON SANDVIK**, BS '09, economics, was promoted to credit analyst at Bank Forward in Grand Forks, N.D.

**PRAMITA SEN**, BS '09, marketing, is a marketing and sales associate for IntercedeFT in Fargo.

**KODY SCHAROSCH**, BS '09, construction engineering, graduated from Annuity University in Denver. He is a licensed insurance agent for Stuhlmiller Insurance Group in Bismarck, N.D.

**BRIAN SCHWANDT**, BS '09, electrical engineering, joined Phoenix International in Fargo as an electronic design engineer.

**DEREK STUHMILLER**, BS '09, management, is a licensed insurance agent with Stuhlmiller Insurance Group in Bismarck, N.D. He recently graduated from Annuity University in Denver.

**LESLIE TOPPEN**, BS '09, finance, joined Rasmussen College in Fargo and Moorhead as a financial aid planner. She previously worked for Pepsi America.

**TOM VETTER**, BS '09, agriculture, was named manager of the Hazelton, N.D., Farmers Union Agronomy and Shop.

**SEAN WOXLAND**, BS '09, management information systems, joined Vanity's corporate office in Fargo as a register support technician in the information technology department. He previously was at T29 Wireless Internet.



# OBITUARIES

**WILLARD ARNQUIST**, 91, BS '49, mechanical engineering, was an engineer for Boeing for 35 years. A World War II veteran, he lived in Bellevue, Wash.

**TERRY BARTNESS**, 63, MS '80, education administration, was a teacher or school administrator at Appleton, Minn.; Mayville-Portland, N.D.; Williston, N.D.; Larimore, N.D.; and Park Rapids, Minn. He was past president of the North Dakota Principals Association. He lived in Park Rapids.

**OLGA (GARAAS) BAUMAN**, 86, BS '45, home economics, was a teacher in Rolette and Makoti, N.D., before operating a family farm with her husband, Frank. She lived near Roseglen, N.D.

**DOROTHY (ENGESATHER) BEIHOFFER**, 86, BS '45, food and nutrition and home economics education, taught school for 10 years at North Dakota and Minnesota schools. She then worked for 25 years as a dietitian at Windom, Minn., area hospitals and nursing homes. She lived in Windom.

**MARY (MORE) BENNO**, 79, BS '53, human development and education, taught high school, worked in the family-owned drug store and was a licensed real estate agent. She lived in Henderson, Nev.

**ELIZABETH (BROWN) BERGFORD**, 99, MEd '62, education, taught at elementary and high schools and in the education department of Moorhead (Minn.) State University. She lived in Mesa, Ariz.

**WILLIAM BERUBE**, 58, MS '80, education administration, was a professor at the University of Wyoming. The recipient of the Ellbogen Award, he lived in Laramie, Wyo.

**ERIN BRASS**, 24, BS '09, dietetics, was employed at Red Lobster in Fargo. Formerly of Anoka, Minn., she lived in Fargo.

**ANGELA (STOTT) BRENNAN**, 90, BS '78, history, was the author of the book, "Montpelier: The First Hundred Years." She lived in Montpelier, N.D.

**JEFF BURGESS**, 56, BS '77, civil engineering, worked for the North Dakota State Health Department for 24 years and since 2001 was research and development director of the Lignite Energy Council. He lived in Bismarck, N.D.

**BRADLEY BURGUM**, 58, BS '74, economics, was an attorney and certified public accountant. He helped organize the Casselton, N.D., Ambulance Service and the Central Cass Dollars for Scholars program. His community service included the Casselton Business Association, Casselton Job Development Authority and Cass County Township Officers Association. He also served as Casselton's city attorney. He lived in Casselton.

**ORVILLE CARLSON**, 81, short course '46, was a farmer who later worked for Nodak Contracting, Arial Contractors, Middleton Brothers Farm and Carroll Farms. He lived in Gilby, N.D.

**CHARLES CLOVER SR.**, 81, BS '51, pharmacy, owned and operated Proctor Pharmacy for 40 years. An Army veteran of World War II, he lived in Proctor, Minn.

**VIRGIL CUNNINGHAM**, 78, BS '58, animal science, MS '60, entomology, had a 24-year career with Shell Development Co. at its Biological Sciences Research Center in Modesto, Calif. He retired in 1987 as manager of research and development coordination for agricultural chemicals. An Air Force veteran who served during the Korean conflict, he lived in Paso Robles, Calif.

**RALPH DANIELS**, 71, BS '60, mechanical engineering, was a weapons systems officer in the Air Force from 1961-72, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. He later worked for Little Falls Machine Co. and worked the family farm. A member of the board of directors for Lake Region Cooperative, he lived in Alexandria, Minn.

**JAMES DAWSON**, 84, BS '50, human development and education, was a partner in the Dawson Insurance Agency and Dawson Hail Insurance Co. of Fargo. He served on numerous crop insurance boards, including National Insurance Services, American Association of Crop Insurers and the International Hail Association of Zurich, Switzerland. A member of NDSU's Gold Medallion Society, he was a recipient of the Alumni Achievement Award. He was active in the El Zagal Shrine, Fargo YMCA, Bonanzaville, Fargo Public Library, Plains Art Museum and F-M Area Foundation. He retired in 1996, with homes on Pelican Lake in Minnesota and in Scottsdale, Ariz.

**THOMAS DAY**, 73, BS '64, economics, wrote the book "Hidden Handicaps: Redemption and Triumph." He lived in Fargo.



**DANIEL DEVLIN**, 62, BS '70, history, served 35 years in the U.S. Army and Enlisted Reserve, rising to the rank of colonel and being commander and commandant of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center. He served in the Panama invasion and operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. After military retirement in 2000, he was a consultant before being hired as a Department of Defense civilian. He lived in Bristow, Va.



**DARLENE (DANIEL) DEVLIN**, 63, BS '69, home economics, held several Civil Service positions as she accompanied her husband, Daniel, during his military career. She was a library technician in Germany, and worked in the human resource office of the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey. She lived in Bristow, Va.

**KEITH DEYO**, 76, BS '55, industrial engineering, had a 33-year career in manufacturing management at Trane Co. in Detroit. The former mayor of La Crescent, Minn., he was also president of the La Crescent Apple Festival and La Crescent Lions Club. He lived in La Crescent.

**DAVID DICICCO**, 58, BArch '74, architecture, MS '88, community and regional planning, was an architect in Fargo; Golden, Colo.; and Taos, N.M. He also taught interior design at NDSU and Arizona State University and was planning director for Taos County. He lived in San Cristobal, N.M.

**DONALD V. DOMEK**, 88, BS '48, pharmacy, was a pharmacist at the Fargo Veterans Affairs Medical Center for more than 20 years. He previously was a pharmacist in Grand Rapids, Mich.; Moorhead, Minn.; Thief River Falls, Minn.; and New Rockford, N.D. He lived in Moorhead.

**ROBERT EMPEY**, 43, BS '97, mass communication, was employed in the parts department at Interstate Power System in Sioux Falls, S.D. A member of the American Legion, he served in the Air Force during Operation Desert Storm. He lived in Hartford, S.D.

**ELAINE (SCHURR) ENGSTROM**, 95, BS '38, human development and education, taught school at Leeds, N.D., and Hunter, N.D., before she began a career on a family farm with her husband, Emil. She lived in Leeds.

**CARL J. ERICKSON JR.**, 83, BS '50, agronomy, was a Navy veteran who served during World War II. Formerly of Bottineau County, he lived in Buffalo Grove, Ill.

**PHYLLIS (HERBISON) ERICKSON**, 78, BS '53, home economics education, taught at Bowman, N.D., and later in the Urbana, Ill., school system from 1966 until her retirement in 1994. She lived in Fergus Falls, Minn.

**MARTIN ETTINGER**, 59, BS '77, pharmacy, lived in Boynton Beach, Fla.

**SISTER BERNICE EWALS**, 92, BS '50, arts and science, entered the Presentation Order of Sisters in 1935. She taught at St. Mary's and St. Anthony's grade schools and Shanley High School in Fargo, among other schools. She was principal at Shanley from 1958-63. She lived in Fargo.

**WARREN FOSS**, 70, BS '64, animal science, owned and operated the 212 Cattle Co. in Olivia, Minn., until 2009. A chaplain who enjoyed jail ministry, he lived in Aberdeen, S.D.

**JAMES GALL**, 60, BS '71, music education, taught at several schools in Minnesota and later was the director of music at a number of area churches. He also directed a men's chorus. He lived in Fargo.

**ALFRED GROETHE**, 84, BS '50, electrical and electronic engineering, worked his entire career for Marathon Electric Manufacturing Corp., where he became engineering manager for the generator and large motor division. The Electrical Generating Systems Association recognized him with a lifetime achievement award. He lived in Wausau, Wis.

**DAN GUST SR.**, 92, BS '41, agriculture, was a farmer and worked for USDA-ASCS for 31 years. He lived in Arthur, N.D.

**RALPH D. "DON" GUSTIN**, 73, MS '61, entomology, was an entomologist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Brookings, S.D. He moved to Keystone, S.D., in the Black Hills in 2004.

**CONSTANCE (REED) DUBOIS HANSEN**, 81, MA '65, English, worked at Minnesota State University Moorhead in Moorhead, Minn., as a professor of English. She taught at Chulalongkorn Arts University in Bangkok, Thailand, as an instructor of English as a second language. She was working on her doctorate at the University of Colorado when a stroke ended her academic career in 1970. She later worked at the Ann Arbor, Mich., Public Library before retiring to Venice, Fla., in 1982.

**THOMAS HANSMANN**, 76, BS '62, pharmacy, MS '67, pharmacy practice, was a pharmacist at the Fargo Clinic and the Veterans Administration Hospital. A member of NDSU Team Makers, he lived in Fargo.

**ANTHONY HANSON**, 33, BS '98, mass communication, worked for Encompass Group in Atlanta. Formerly of Minnetonka, Minn., he lived in Atlanta.

**ROBERT E. HANSON**, 72, BS '64, industrial engineering, lived in Edinburg, Texas.

**JENNIFER HARVESTER**, 61, BS '70, botany, was a science teacher at East Detroit, Mich.; Cascade Junior High School in Vancouver, Wash.; and Lake Oswego Senior High School in Oregon. She lived in Battle Ground, Wash.

**NANCY (WALKER) HASKINS**, 58, BA '74, mathematics and education administration, was director of applications development for the North Dakota University System. She also held positions with Westinghouse Hanford in Richland, Wash.; Platte River Power Authority in Fort Collins, Colo.; and the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks. She lived in Grand Forks.

**KAREN (ODEGAARD) VANCE HEINSEN**, 86, AD '77, dietetics, was a dietary technician and food services supervisor at Bethany Nursing Home and St. John's Hospital in Fargo. She lived in West Fargo.

**R. ELLEN (HAUGEN) HELEY**, 71, BS '76, history, was a homemaker who spent summers at her family's lake cabin near Perham, Minn. She died at her winter home in Mesa, Ariz.

**DAVID HILLS**, 69, BS '63, civil engineering, was a hydrologist for the Department of Natural Resources and also operated a beef cattle operation. He lived in Brainerd, Minn.

**ALICE (DRIVER) HJELLE**, 90, BS '42, economics, was a member of the Bismarck-Mandan Symphony board of trustees and Fairview Cemetery board. She lived in Bismarck, N.D.

**LOTA (JUNGE) HOLLY**, 81, BS '49, business administration, worked for Fargo Water Equipment for 17 years. A Campfire leader, she also was active in the opera and First United Methodist Church. She lived in Fargo.

**DONALD HOWITZ**, 80, BS '57, English, was a retired teacher who lived in Brainerd, Minn.

**THOMAS IHRY**, 57, BS '74, animal science, participated in a family grain and livestock operation near Hope, N.D. A member of the American Hereford Association, American Angus Association and North Dakota Stockman's Association, he lived in Valley City, N.D.

**BARRY INGERSON**, 73, BS '57, civil engineering, worked with the Army Corps of Engineers and later had a 36-year career with the North Dakota Department of Transportation. A member of the Musicians Union, he played guitar for several bands. He lived in Minot, N.D.

**STEVEN IVERSON**, 59, BUS '77, university studies, was a border patrol agent in California, an immigration inspector in Seattle and a deportation officer in Yakima, Wash. He lived in Redmond, Ore.

**REV. REUBEN JACOBSON**, 74, BS '61, history, was a Lutheran minister for several North Dakota congregations, including churches at Hatton, Mayville, Park River, Pembina and Leonard. He also was a member of several committees for the Eastern North Dakota Synod. He lived in West Fargo.

**DUWAYNE JILEK**, 46, BS '87, electrical and electronic engineering, was a principal marketing manager for Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The "DuWayne Jilek Memorial Engineering Scholarship Endowment" has been established at the NDSU Development Foundation, where gifts may be sent. Jilek lived in Marion, Iowa.

**GLENN R. JOHNSON**, 87, BArch '49, architecture, was co-founder of Smith and Andrews Construction. A World War II veteran of the Naval Air Corps, he lived in Ponce Inlet, Fla.

**ROBERT L. JOHNSON**, 85, BS '50, pharmacy, was the director of the pharmacy department at the Hibbing Hospital in Hibbing, Minn., for more than 30 years. He was an Army Air Force B-17 bombardier during World War II, and a member of the Elks Lodge and VFW. He lived in Virginia, Minn.

**TIMOTHY S. JOHNSON**, 49, BS '84, animal science, was a 25-year staff member at NDSU, and served on several building committees and the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. He lived in Fargo.

**IRVIN JORDRE**, 91, BS '39, civil engineering, was a district engineer in Bismarck, N.D., for 25 years. He was inducted into the North Dakota Highway Department Hall of Fame in 1984. He lived in Bismarck.

**DELOS KEECH**, 77, BS '56, mechanical engineering, spent much of his career working for the Federal Aviation Administration and at Lowry Air Force Base as a chief engineer. He also was a consultant for the U.S. Postal Service, retiring in 1991. He lived in Westminster, Colo.

**KEVIN KELLY**, 52, BS '92, food and nutrition, BS '93, corporate and community fitness, was a licensed registered dietitian who held a variety of dietetics positions during his career. He lived in Fargo.

**MELVIN KNUDSEN**, 81, BS '52, agricultural education, taught vocational agriculture classes at Wyndmere and Marion, N.D., and later took up farming. He was a member of the North Dakota Education Association, North Dakota Farm Bureau and Marion Saddle Club. He lived in Marion.

**KEITH M. KNOTSON**, 69, PhD '70, zoology, was a faculty member at St. Cloud State University, teaching biology and lake ecology classes. He received the Faculty Achievement Award for Excellence in Teaching and Research for the School of Science and Engineering from the SCSU Alumni Association. He lived in Luxemburg, Minn.

**CHARLES KOESTERMAN**, 54, BS '83, bacteriology, owned K&L Construction in Bismarck, N.D. He also worked in computer-related areas such as owner of 21st Publishers and an employee of Bell Farms and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He lived in Fargo.

**GARY KRANZ**, 55, BS '77, mathematics and economics, MS '86, computer science, was a computer programmer for Unisys in Minneapolis and TeamQuest in Clear Lake, Iowa. He lived in Fargo.

**MARK KRENZ**, 53, BS '85, agriculture, was a financial consultant. He was a member of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association and the Sherwood, N.D., American Legion. He lived in Blue Springs, Mo.

**NORBERT KUZEL**, 86, BS '48, MS '49, pharmacy, worked for 35 years at Eli Lilly and Company as a research scientist. He lived in Indianapolis.

**KENNETH LAMONT**, 63, BS '71, arts and science, BS '96, physical education, was mayor of Mandan, N.D., for eight years. He managed and co-owned the Dakota Farms Family Restaurants and later managed the Seven Seas in Mandan. He lived in Mandan.

**ROBERT D. LARSON**, 85, MS '67, education, was a teacher at Hawley, Minn., High School and Moorhead High School, retiring in 1986 after a 34-year career. He also worked many summers as a crop hail adjuster. He lived in Moorhead.

**JAMES LASS**, 71, BS '60, mechanical engineering, was a nuclear engineer at General Electric Co., and later worked in the printed circuit board industry of the Silicon Valley. He lived in San Jose, Calif.

**LEONARD LESMEISTER**, 73, BS '75, animal science, was a heavy equipment operator for road construction projects in Fargo, Grand Forks and Dickinson. An Army veteran during the Korean War, he lived in Fargo.

**SUSAN LINCOLN**, 61, BS '71, home economics education and food and nutrition, was a clinical dietitian for more than 30 years with St. Vincent Medical Center, Toledo, Ohio, and was a consulting dietitian for Hospice of Norwest Ohio and several Toledo area senior centers. She was active in community service, including work with the Junior League of Toledo. She lived in Toledo.

**CAROLE LINDBO**, 63, BS '71, social science, BS '75, child development and family relations, worked for Dakota Bank, Alcohol Outreach, Gambler's Choice and New Americans at Lutheran Social Services. She lived in Fargo.

**BRUCE MARTINSON**, 52, BUS '85, university studies, was a career Army officer, with assignments in Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt and Israel. He attended the Foreign Area Officer program, Defense Language Institute and Naval Post-graduate School. He lived in Fargo.

**RYAN MAYER**, 40, BS '91, agricultural economics, was a senior credit analyst with CoBank. He was active in the Knights of Columbus, FarmHouse Association board and Rural Cass Snowmobile Club. He lived in Casselton, N.D.

**JAMES MCWILLIAMS**, 54, BS '78, horticulture, worked for the Federal Emergency Management Agency. He lived in Bismarck, N.D.

**VIRGIL V. MIKKELSON**, 77, BS '59, civil engineering, was a civil engineer for the Minnesota Department of Transportation for 38 years. He lived in Nacogdoches, Texas.

**BARBARA (PAULSON) MISTEREK**, 61, BS '71, home economics, was a home economist for the South Dakota Extension Service, and in Wishek, N.D., among several other positions during her career. Most recently, she was a dietary supervisor at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck, N.D. She lived in Bismarck.

**JOHN "BUTCH" MOLM**, 62, BA '70, economics, was a partner in the law firm of Troutman Sanders LLP, practicing in Atlanta and Washington, D.C. He specialized in hydro-electric and rail transportation law. He was the student body president while attending NDSU. He lived in Ponte Vedra, Fla.

**BRUCE MONSON**, 55, BS '77, MS '85, agronomy, was employed with Land O'Lakes Inc. He also was a keyboard player for the Steam Heat Swing Band. He lived in Prior Lake, Minn.

**LEROY MOORE**, 79, BS '58, pharmacy, was a pharmacist and general manager for Thrifty Drug. In 1986, he was named Thrifty Drug Manager of the Year. A life member of the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association, he lived in Cushing, Minn.

**HARVEY NELSON**, 85, HD '92, had an accomplished 42-year career with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. As associate director in Washington, D.C., he oversaw the national wildlife refuge system, national fish hatcheries and wildlife law enforcement. He also was executive director of the North American Waterfowl Management Plan and recently was inducted into the Minnesota Waterfowl Association Hall of Fame. He lived in Bloomington, Minn.

**BYRON OPSTAD**, 69, BS '67, MS '69, pharmacy, was a pharmacist for 40 years and was a member of the board of the Minnesota Veterans Home. An Army veteran, he lived in Bloomington, Minn.

**LEE PALMER**, 81, BS '50, agricultural engineering, owned and operated the Restwell Motel and Distinctive Catering in Farmington, Minn. An Air Force veteran during the Korean War era, he lived in Farmington.

**SADIE (WARREN) PEARSON**, 32, BS '02, pharmacy, PharmD '04, was a pharmacist with Thrifty White Drug and Shopko. She was a champion in gymnastics at Bishop Ryan High School and later at Texas Women's University. She lived in Marshall, Minn.

**RAYMOND PIERSKALLA**, 75, BS '60, pharmacy, owned and operated Watkins Drug in Watkins, Minn., and then built The Prescription Center in Willmar, Minn., which he ran until 1989. A member of the Elks and American Legion, he lived in Willmar.

**GRACE (REGER) PLATH**, 65, BS '66, home economics and child development and family relations, was a social worker in Forman, N.D., before farming near Davenport, N.D. She lived in Davenport.

**JOHN "JACK" QUISTGARD**, 90, BS '41, pharmacy, was a licensed pharmacist in Arizona, Florida, Minnesota and North Dakota, and owned several drug stores in northern Minnesota. He was president of the Minnesota State Pharmaceutical Association, Minnesota State Board of Pharmacy and National Boards of Pharmacy, and received the first annual Harold T. Popp Memorial Award for outstanding service in the profession in 1969. He lived in Bemidji, Minn.

**JERRY RADCLIFFE**, 82, BS '52, agricultural education, farmed near Amenia, N.D., for 43 years and also had a 42-year career as an agent for Nodak Mutual Insurance Agency. He lived in Fargo.

**DELIN (RUDD) RANDELL**, 87, BS '41, arts and science, lived in Canoga Park, Calif.

**HOWARD RICHTSMEIER**, 55, AD '74, animal science and agricultural economics, farmed near Hunter, N.D., raised cattle, drove bus and operated trucks during his career. He also was involved in the Hunter Ambulance Service. He lived in Hunter.

**PHILLIP RUUD**, 72, BS '59, industrial engineering, was an industrial engineer at the Newark AFB and Wright Patterson AFB. An Air Force veteran, he managed real estate properties after retirement. He lived in Centerville, Ohio.

**JAMES RYAN**, 77, BS '54, pharmacy, owned pharmacies in Lead and Deadwood, S.D., and later worked at Veterans Hospital pharmacies in Cleveland and Phoenix. He lived in Phoenix.

**ROBERT SAHLI**, 81, BS '53, pharmacy, owned Bushey Drug and Ben Franklin in Sauk Centre, Minn. He later did pharmacy relief work in Mankato, Minn., and New Ulm, Minn. He lived in Mankato.

**MARJORIE (SMITH) SCHEPPMANN**, 95, BS '37, home economics, taught at Bartlett Junior High School in Porterville, Calif., until retirement in 1980. A member of the California State Retired Teachers Association and California American Association of University Women, she lived in Visalia, Calif.



# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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**ELMER SCHWEITZER**, 79, MEd '71, education administration, was a teacher at several area schools and became the superintendent at Gackle, N.D., from 1973-81. He later worked for Strommen and Associates in Bismarck, N.D., and First State Bank of Gackle. He lived in Jamestown, N.D.

**RUTH (MOORE) SCOVELL**, 96, BS '36, physical education, was the aquatic director at the YMCA in Green Bay, Wis., and was later a physical education teacher at St. Joseph's Academy in Green Bay. She lived in Green Bay.

**MYRON SEITZ**, 73, BS '60, industrial engineering, was a retired district manager for the General Services Administration. Earlier in his career, he worked for the Veterans Administration engineering department in Fargo. A pilot, he received ratings as an instrument flight instructor and for multi-engine operation. He lived in Edgeley, N.D.

**DONALD SHELTON**, 87, MS '66, general science, taught at high schools in Fargo, Mayville and Portland, N.D. A World War II veteran and member of the American Legion, he was post commander in Washburn, N.D., and served in Fargo's color guard. He lived in Fargo.

**BANKS SIEBER**, 88, BS '42, agriculture, was an Extension county agent in Sheridan and Bottineau Counties in North Dakota. He retired in 1980 after 35 years of service. He lived in Minot, N.D.

**DAVID SINKULA**, 40, BS '94, electrical engineering, worked for Interactive Technologies Inc., J. Gordon Electronic Design, Ecowater Systems and GE Security. He lived in Coon Rapids, Minn.

**ERWIN SNUSTEAD**, 78, BS '59, pharmacy, worked at pharmacies in Duluth, Karlstad, Greenbush and Roseau, Minn., during his career. He lived in St. Cloud, Minn.

**SIG STANGELAND**, 87, BS, '49, taught economics at NDSU for three years while establishing a farm accounting business, Stangeland Farm Accounting, with his wife, Betty. They both retired to Scottsdale, Ariz., in 1987 when the business was sold. Before he died, he established the Sigurd Stangeland Economics Endowment Fund at NDSU.

**GERALD STANGLER**, 82, BS '52, agriculture, was the county agent in Rolette County in North Dakota, and later worked in Valley City, N.D., and Dilworth, Minn. He worked as a custodian with the Fargo school system until he retired in 1997. He lived in Fargo.

**RON STEPANEK**, 68, BS '64, economics and mathematics, was a farmer and rancher in McKenzie County, served as president of the Northwest Grain Cooperative and was a member of the Elks Township Board. He lived in Williston, N.D.

**JEAN (FRAME) SCHEEDE BLAKEWAY STIENSTRA**, 88, MS '72, home economics, was a dietitian in Great Falls, Mont., high school teacher in Schenectady, N.Y., and an instructor at the St. Luke's School of Nursing in Fargo. She lived in Moorhead, Minn.

**KATHLEEN (AANERUD) SWANSON**, 62, BA '69, German, was a technical writer in the Minneapolis area. She lived in Mesa, Ariz.

**MANAUL TALLEY**, 76, BS '55, mechanical engineering, was an aerospace engineer for McDonnell Aircraft and at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Fairborn, Ohio. During his career, he worked on the Mercury and Gemini space projects and the F-15 fighter. He lived in Lansford, N.D.

**WARREN TEICHMANN**, 85, BS '50, geology, worked for Shell Oil Co. in Billings, Mont., and Midland, Texas, from 1955 until 1971. He then was an independent geologist until his death. He lived in Midland.

**GEORGE TETRAULT**, 80, BArch '62, architecture, was an Army veteran of the Korean War. He lived in Foley, Ala.

**BETH (RIDER) THORPE**, 62, AD '72, nursing, BS '87, social studies, BS '88, social studies education, was a teacher in the Moorhead, Minn., school system, receiving Teacher of the Month and Teacher of the Year honors. She also worked as a dental hygienist for about 20 years. She lived in Moorhead.

**HARRIETT (MCDOWELL) TOMAN**, 92, BS '39, home economics, was president of the Mandan, N.D., branch of the American Association of University Women, League of Women Voters and Bismarck-Mandan Professional Home Economics Association. She also was a founding member of the Mandan Art Association. She lived in Mandan.

**RUEBEN TSCHAEKOFKSKE**, 81, BS '50, electrical and electronic engineering, was an executive with General Electric, a professor at Central Michigan University and dean of the business school at Concordia in Mequon, Wis. He also taught in Brazil, Estonia, Latvia and Mexico. He lived in Twin Falls, Idaho.

**ROBERT TUCHSCHERER**, 67, BS '66, pharmacy, owned and managed Fort Scott Wal-Mart Pharmacy for 25 years. In addition, he and four partners formed the True Quality Pharmacy Corp., which acquired 74 pharmacies in five states. He lived in Fort Scott, Kan.

**SHARON (RAVN) VREUGDENHIL**, 64, BS '79, child development and family relations, was a volunteer with the Chinese Christian Ministry, and active in the New Life Center and Salvation Army. She lived in Fargo.

**EMMANUEL WALTH**, 87, BS '47, agricultural economics, was a retired vice president of Security Pacific National Bank of Chino, Calif. He lived in Garden Grove, Calif.

**DUNCAN WARREN**, 88, BS '50, agricultural education, was a soil conservationist for the USDA in Hazen, Center and Mandan, N.D. Following his retirement, he was the superintendent of Morton County Parks and Recreation. He lived in Mandan.

**JOSEPH WELKE**, 91, BS '58, pharmacy, worked for Wold Drug in Moorhead, Minn., Holmes Drug in Red Wing, Minn., and later did relief work for drugstores throughout southeastern Minnesota and western Wisconsin. He lived in Red Wing.

**F. JOSEPHINE (ERICKSON) WHEELER**, 90, BS '40, home economics, was a home economics teacher for nine years. The winner of a gold medal in the Senior Olympics downhill skiing competition, she lived in Bismarck, N.D. She and her late husband started the Ernie and Jo Wheeler Scholarship in the NDSU College of Human Development and Education, and the endowment continues to fund a scholarship annually.

**FRANK WHITMAN**, 60, BS '71, mechanical engineering, worked for his family business in Lake Williams, N.D., that built homes and operated a grain elevator, gas business and hardware store. He later moved to Florida, where he was a construction consultant. He lived in Orlando, Fla.

**MICHAEL WICKSTROM**, 76, BS '59, MS '64, agricultural engineering, taught engineering and mathematics at Bismarck State College for 31 years. He also had a ranching and farming operation north of Bismarck, N.D. He lived in Sun Lakes, Ariz.

**HARMON WISTED**, 78, BS '58, electrical and electronic engineering, was an electrical engineer with Rockwell Collins for 27 years. He was an Air Force veteran of the Korean War. He lived in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

**ROBERT WOODS**, 88, BS '49, agriculture, managed the Hettinger Experiment Station from 1949-53, was the county Extension agent at Hettinger, N.D., from 1953-59 and county Extension agent in Hillsboro, N.D., from 1959-80. He later sold crop insurance and was a representative for Fergus Falls Monument Co. He lived in Hillsboro.



## HOMECOMING 2010

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 2



NDSU invites you to come back to campus for Homecoming weekend. The schedule includes events from across the campus. For more information go to [www.ndsualumni.com](http://www.ndsualumni.com) or contact the NDSU Alumni Association 701-231-6800, 800-279-8971 or [kim@ndsualumni.com](mailto:kim@ndsualumni.com).

#### REUNION CENTRAL AT THE FARGO HOLIDAY INN

The NDSU Alumni Association invites you to celebrate at NDSU Reunion Central at the Fargo Holiday Inn. There are several events, reunions and a dance for all alumni and friends. This is THE PLACE to be during Homecoming weekend.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

##### 11 a.m. Bison Athletic Hall of Fame Luncheon

Call NDSU Athletic Media Relations at 701-231-7197.

##### 5 p.m. 50 Year Reunion for the Class of 1960

The class of 1960 left a legacy as they lobbied and saw NDAC's name change to NDSU. The classes of 1955 and 1950 also are invited to enjoy their 55th and 60th graduation anniversaries. Contact Beth Roybal at 701-231-6804, 800-279-8971 or [beth@ndsualumni.com](mailto:beth@ndsualumni.com).

##### 6 p.m. 1970 Football Reunion

One of the only teams in NDSU's history to go undefeated will celebrate the 40th anniversary of that unforgettable season. Contact Nancy Erickson at [nancy.erickson@ndsu.edu](mailto:nancy.erickson@ndsu.edu) or 701-231-7447.

##### 7 p.m. I Love the 80s and 90s Greek Reunion Social

GO GREEK ... again! Reconnect with Greek friends from the decades of the 80s and 90s. After the social, join the NDSU dance. Since most correspondence will be sent electronically, please update your e-mail at [www.ndsualumni.com](http://www.ndsualumni.com). Contact Stephanie Martin at [stephanie@ndsualumni.com](mailto:stephanie@ndsualumni.com).

##### 7 p.m. Volleyball match - NDSU vs. IPFW

Bentson/Bunker Fieldhouse

##### 9 p.m.- Homecoming Dance

Join in an evening of conversation and dancing. The Front Fenders band will entertain in the ballroom and Past Due will play in the Holiday Inn bar.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

##### 9 a.m.- NDSU Alumni Center Open House

1241 N. University Drive  
Enjoy refreshments and visit with alumni and friends. Receive a 10 percent discount on "Walk of Pride" tile purchases during Homecoming.

##### 10 a.m. Homecoming Parade

12th Ave. N. and University Dr., Fargo  
Contact Student Activities Office at 701-231-7787.

##### 11 a.m. Bison Pep Rally and Lunch

Bison Sports Arena  
Purchase your tickets at the door.  
Join us for food and games, listen to the Gold Star Band and meet Thundar! Bring your family for balloons, beads and temporary tattoos.

##### 1 p.m. Football Kick-off NDSU vs. Western Illinois

Tickets will be available by phone at 701-231-6378 on Aug. 2.

##### 5 p.m. 29th Annual Bison Bidders Bowl

Fargo Holiday Inn, Great Hall  
Cash and gifts will be auctioned and raffled for the benefit of NDSU. Advance reservations are required. Call the NDSU Development Foundation at 701-231-6841.

##### 7 p.m. Volleyball match - NDSU vs. Oakland

Bentson/Bunker Fieldhouse



## ORGANIZATION EVENTS

### NDSU MAIN LIBRARY OPEN HOUSE

**Thursday, September 30, 1-5 p.m.**

**Friday, October 1, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.**

12th Ave. N. and Albrecht Boulevard

Stop in to see what has changed, discover new resources and services and meet our librarians and staff. Refreshments will be served. Contact Michele Reid at 701-231-8887 or michele.reid@nds.u.edu.

### FINE ARTS

#### ALL ALUMNI CHOIR REUNION

**Friday and Saturday, October 1-2**

Fargo Doublewood Inn and NDSU campus

The 2010 Concert Choir reunion committee invites you to reconnect with concert choir alumni to share, enjoy and sing.

Reunion committee: Angela Howard '02, Joe Heilman '09, Amanda Hill '09, Laurie Ratajczak Gratz '08, Mateo Olivia and Robert Fraiser (current students). Contact Angela Howard at 319-594-4341 or anghoward@gmail.com.

### GREEKS

#### ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

**Saturday, October 2**

1249 12th St. N.

Alumni, friends and family are invited to a chili feed immediately following the parade. Contact Kolby Schaeffer at 701-206-1014 or kolby.schaeffer.1@nds.u.edu.

#### ALPHA GAMMA RHO

**Friday, October 1**

3-5 p.m. – Dedication at 1303 N. University Dr.

5-9 p.m. – Reception and dinner at NDSU Alumni Center, 1241 N. University Dr.

**Saturday, October 2**

9-11 a.m. – Open house and parade view at 1303 N. University Dr.

5-8 p.m. – Open house and barbeque at 1303 N. University Dr.

### DELTA UPSILON FRATERNITY

**Friday-Sunday, October 1-3**

40th Anniversary Founder's Day

Go to [www.deltaupsilon.net](http://www.deltaupsilon.net) for more information.

### KAPPA ALPHA THETA

**Bison Breakaway 5K Run/Walk**

**Saturday, October 2, 8 a.m.**

NDSU campus

\$25 per person

Alumni and friends are invited to a complimentary brunch at the Kappa Alpha Theta house, 1262 12th St. N., following the event. Contact Bailee or Theresa at bailee.blaeser@nds.u.edu or theresa.wilson@nds.u.edu.

### KAPPA DELTA

**Alumni Brunch**

**Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m.-noon**

1210 13th Ave. N.

All Kappa Delta alumni and their families are invited to a complimentary brunch at the KD house. Contact Kristen Horner at alum\_kd@yahoo.com.

### KAPPA PSI PHARMACEUTICAL FRATERNITY

**Pig Roast**

**Saturday, October 2, anytime after 8 a.m.**

Kappa Psi House on University Dr., across from Bentson/Bunker Field House

Alumni and their families are welcome. We will have breakfast available and dinner in the evening. There is no cost, but donations are welcome. RSVP to Erika Haglund at 218-234-1826 or erika.haglund@nds.u.edu or Maggie Bierman at 612-207-7280 or margaret.bierman@nds.u.edu.

### SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON (SAE) FRATERNITY

**Social Gathering and Barbeque**

**Saturday, October 2, after the parade**

1125 16th St. N.

Active members and alumni are invited. RSVP to Alexander Henricks at 320-426-0519 or alexander.henricks@nds.u.edu.

### SIGMA NU FRATERNITY

**Homecoming Dance**

**Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m.**

Sigma Nu alumni are invited. Meet at the chapter house to take the bus to the location. There is no cost, but donations are welcome. RSVP to Matthew Katzenmaier, at 612-388-6873 or matthew.katzenmaier@nds.u.edu.

### TAU KAPPA EPSILON

*Alumni are invited to the following events. No RSVP is required.*

**Open House**

**Friday, October 1, 4:30-6:30 p.m.**

1131 14th St. N.

Questions? Contact Bret Zimmerman at 701-238-4079 or bret.zimmerman.1@nds.u.edu.

**Tailgating**

**Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m.**

Fargodome parking lot

Questions? Contact Todd Knain, 701-281-1986 or toddknain@hotmail.com.

**Reception and Dance**

**Saturday, October 2, 6:30 p.m.**

Hilton Garden Inn - Orchid Room, 4351 17th Ave. S., Fargo

Questions? Contact Todd Knain, 701-281-1986 or toddknain@hotmail.com.

### THETA CHI FRATERNITY

**Open House**

**Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

1307 N. University Dr.

Alumni, friends and family of Phi Chapter are invited. Contact

Cory Loveless at 701-237-5830 or cory.loveless.1@nds.u.edu.

### COLLEGES

#### COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

**Breakfast at Barry Hall**

**Saturday, October 2, 9-11 a.m.**

Richard H. Barry Hall, Beaton Atrium

Alumni and friends are invited to celebrate the first anniversary of Richard H. Barry Hall. Contact Roxann Williams at 701-231-8235 or roxann.williams@nds.u.edu.

### SEPTEMBER 4

**3:30 p.m. NDSU @ University of Kansas pre-game**

**party and football game**

The Alumni Association calls all Bison fans to a pre-game party at the new Oread Hotel in Lawrence, Kan. The Oread Hotel is within two blocks of the stadium. Kick off is 6 p.m.

Fans are invited to join the pre-game party to get spirit beads, tattoos and pride pins to show their Bison Spirit. The Cheer Team and Thundar will join the party. Cost is \$15 for unlimited pizza and salad buffet, \$10 for children 10 and under. Cash bar will be available. Register at [www.ndsualumni.com](http://www.ndsualumni.com) or call 701-231-6807. Game tickets are available online at [www.gobison.com](http://www.gobison.com).

## Alumni Association names officers and new board members

The NDSU Alumni Association is pleased to announce newly elected officers and board members. The board consists of 32 members including 30 alumni, one student representative and the university president. The board sets policy, recognizes outstanding alumni and assists the university with specific goals and objectives. If you would like to contact an officer, please e-mail [office@ndsualumni.com](mailto:office@ndsualumni.com).

### 2010-2011 OFFICERS:

**Barry Batcheller**, '77, West Fargo, president and CEO, Appareo Systems LLC, was elected chair of the board.

**Mike Krueger**, '71, Fargo, president, The Money Farm, was elected president.

**Wayne Schluchter**, '82, St. Cloud, Minn., CEO, Schluchter Investment Advisors, was elected vice president.

**Marcia Estee Strehlow**, '78, Fargo, part owner of Strehlow Construction, was elected secretary/treasurer.

### NEW DIRECTORS:

**Tim Brookins**, '87 and '90, Fargo, distinguished engineer, Microsoft Corporation

**Neal Fisher**, '73 and '76, Bismarck, administrator, North Dakota Wheat Commission

**Joe Heilman**, '09, Fargo, account manager, Pedigree Technologies, LLC

**Thomas Johnson**, '95 and '97, Sioux Falls, S.D., professor at South Dakota State University and a clinical pharmacist at Avera McKennan Hospital

**Eric Michel**, '89, Fargo, president and chief executive officer, Ulteig Engineers, Inc.

**Laurie Kubas Steffes**, '78, Dickinson, nurse, Dickinson Clinic

If you are interested in nominating an individual or yourself for the NDSU Alumni Association Board of Directors, please e-mail [office@ndsualumni.com](mailto:office@ndsualumni.com) or call 800-279-8971.

## Harvest Bowl 2010

The 37th annual Harvest Bowl honors agriculturists from across North Dakota and western Minnesota.

The festivities will begin on Friday, Oct. 22 with dinner at the Ramada Plaza Suites and continue on Saturday, Oct. 23 with the Harvest Bowl football game when the Bison play Indiana State.



**Gregg Halvorson**, '71, president of Black Gold Farms, Inc., is the 2010 Harvest Bowl Agribusiness recipient. This award recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in the field of agriculture and business in North Dakota and beyond.

For more information or to register, visit [www.ndsualumni.com](http://www.ndsualumni.com) and click on Recognition then Harvest Bowl or contact Marilyn Doeden at 701-231-6808, 800-279-8971 or [marilyn@ndsualumni.com](mailto:marilyn@ndsualumni.com). For football game tickets, call the Bison ticket office at 701-231-6378.

## Upcoming events

For more details, visit [www.ndsualumni.com](http://www.ndsualumni.com).

### September

- 4 Bison vs. Jayhawks football pre-game event, Lawrence, Kan.
- 13 Team Maker golf tournament – Fargo Country Club
- 24 & 25 1990 football reunion – NDSU vs. South Dakota
- 27-30 Homecoming week (see complete schedule in this issue)

### October

- 1-2 Homecoming week continued
- 8-11 Team Makers football getaway – NDSU @ Youngstown State, Cleveland, Ohio
- 22 NDSU Harvest Bowl





## Bison softball team earns spot in NCAA tournament

The Bison softball team completed another successful season with a second straight appearance in the NCAA tournament. The Bison, who finished with a record of 33-25, won the Summit League tournament May 15 to win an automatic regional berth in the national event.

The team entered the Summit League tournament as the third seed, and won the title after defeating top-ranked Western Illinois 3-2 in the championship game. Second baseman Laurel Pipkin, pitcher Whitney Johnson, first baseman Melissa Chmielewski, outfielder Elisa Victa and third baseman Brea Konz were named to the All-Tournament Team.

At the NCAA Seattle Regional on May 21-22, the Bison lost to defending national champion Washington and Nebraska. Washington beat NDSU by a score of 3-0 before a crowd of 1,610 people at Husky Softball

Stadium. Nebraska then defeated the Bison by a score of 5-1 in the regional's loser's bracket.

"To win the Summit League championship and make the NCAA regional two years in a row was a great experience and special time for our program. We always talk about wanting to peak and play our best softball in May," said head coach Darren Mueller. "I was proud of what our seniors accomplished. They were the last class of the NCAA transition. For them to go out and have an opportunity to win three rings and get three rings is special."

Among the team's individual awards, NDSU's Chmielewski, a senior from Circle Pines, Minn., was named the Summit League Softball Player of the Year for the second time in three years. She led the league with a .404 batting average, 58 RBI and 18 doubles. In addition, she was named Player of the

Week four times during the season. Chmielewski also was named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America University Division softball first team by a vote of the College Sports Information Directors of America, and was selected for the Louisville Slugger/NFCA All-Midwest Region second team.

Johnson, a freshman from Lake Crystal, Minn., was named Freshman of the Year. She posted 13 wins and a 2.37 ERA with 149 strikeouts and 15 complete games in league play.

Chmielewski and shortstop Nicole Rivera, a junior from Lakeside, Calif., were named to the All-Summit League first team. Johnson and Pipkin, a senior from Alameda, Calif., were second team honorees.

## Bison baseball squad sets team records

It was a record-setting year, as the Bison baseball team concluded its season with a 22-30 overall record and 11-16 in The Summit League. The 22 victories were the most for a Bison team in six years of NCAA Division I play, and the 10th most wins overall in school history.

"We're pleased with the progress, and our program has made tremendous strides in the past three years," said head coach Tod Brown. "But, we fell two games short of our real goal, which was to make The Summit League tournament. We have the makings with who's coming back and who's coming in to make a strong run next year."

Leading the way for the Bison was sophomore first baseman and pitcher Zach Wentz, who was named as a starting pitcher to the All-Summit League baseball second team. He was 5-1 in league play and ranked third with a 3.32 ERA in six starts. Wentz also was

NDSU's best hitter with a .389 batting average. He led the team with 193 at-bats, 41 runs scored, 75 hits, 17 doubles, seven home runs, 42 RBI and four stolen bases.

In addition, Wentz was named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America University Division baseball second team by a vote of the College Sports Information Directors of America. From Bismarck, N.D., Wentz maintains a 4.0 cumulative grade-point average in physical education.

For the season, NDSU set new school records with a .961 fielding percentage, 518 assists and 1,271 putouts. Shortstop Max Casper became NDSU's new single-season record holder for assists with 157. NDSU also set team records for most triples (21), most times hit by pitch (63), most sacrifice bunts (38) and most innings pitched (423 2/3).



## Track and field teams win titles

It was another outstanding season for NDSU's men's and women's track and field teams, as each squad brought home more championship honors.

The NDSU men's track and field team claimed both the Summit League indoor and outdoor titles - the third straight indoor title and second outdoor title in three years. The women's track and field team claimed both the Summit League indoor and outdoor titles for the third straight time.

For the men, at the outdoor championships, the Bison claimed three event titles. Sophomore Weston Leutz, from Bismarck, N.D., won the decathlon; Eric Stroh, a junior from Bismarck, won the 800 meters; and the 4x100 relay team placed first.

Three Bison competed in the NCAA West Region Preliminary Round. Sophomore Kevin Jackson,

from Grand Rapids, Mich., ran the 200 meters and the 400 meters, and Scott Johnson, a senior from Horace, N.D. and junior Logan Hollenkamp, a junior from St. Cloud, Minn., competed in the hammer throw.

Ted Rud, a junior from New York Mills, Minn., was named the Field MVP of the indoor championships after winning the heptathlon and placing in the top eight in four other events. Head coach Don Larson was voted Coach of the Year for the second straight season. Jackson won the 200 meters, Stroh took the 800 meters and sophomore Jeremy Geditz won the high jump.

For the women's team, head coach Ryun Godfrey was named Coach of the Year for both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

Three Bison qualified for the NCAA Championships in Eugene, Ore. Junior Whitney Carlson, from Buchanan, N.D., made the championship field in both the heptathlon and long jump. Heather Zander, a senior from Mandan, N.D., competed in the heptathlon. Toni Tollefson, a redshirt freshman from Lake Park, Minn., competed in the high jump after tying for first at the NCAA Preliminary Round.

At the Summit League Outdoor Championships, the women's team claimed 10 titles. Carlson led the way, winning the 100-meter hurdles, the 400-meter hurdles and long jump. Zander set a new league record in the heptathlon.

Carlson was named the Summit League Field Athlete of the Year during the indoor season. She also claimed Track MVP honors during the league championships after winning three of the team's seven titles.

## Bison fall sports to provide excitement

Thrilling competition is anticipated as the NDSU Bison prepare for the fall schedules for football, soccer and volleyball. Expectations are running high as the teams prepare for the upcoming seasons. You can follow the action or get more information by visiting [www.gobison.com](http://www.gobison.com).

### Football team looks to improve

The Bison football team is expected to rebound from its 3-8 record in 2009, and the squad will have an exciting schedule for its fans.

The 11-game slate is highlighted by a Sept. 4 trip to Lawrence, Kan., to play the University of Kansas Jayhawks. The Big 12 Conference member is coming off a 5-7 record a year ago.

The schedule includes six contests at the Fargodome, including the home opener Sept. 18 when the Bison face Morgan State University. The annual Homecoming game is slated for Oct. 2 against Western Illinois University.

"We have a number of emerging players. There is a lot of talent there," said head coach Craig Bohl. "I see us being a talented football team that is going to see definite improvement over the course of the season."

According to Bohl, the team's goal is to be a solid, competitive football team with a focus on excellence.

"The players came here to be part of a program that enjoys a national reputation and prominence. This group is going to do everything they can to restore Bison football back to national prominence," Bohl said.

### Soccer team announces challenging schedule

The Bison soccer team will compete in a 20-game schedule, which will be the most regular season games ever played by an NDSU soccer team. The outlook is bright with 19 players returning from last season's squad that shared the Summit League's regular season title.

Head soccer coach Pete Cuadrado said the Bison will play two first-time opponents in Florida Atlantic and Miami (Fla.), in addition to three Missouri Valley teams in non-conference action.

NDSU opens the season with home games against the University of North Dakota and Wisconsin-Green Bay before traveling to Omaha, Neb., to play Iowa State and Creighton. After playing in the Miami (Fla.) Tournament, the Bison return to Fargo for games against University of Mary and Northern Iowa. The team then goes to Drake before the final non-conference game against the University of South Dakota. Summit League action begins Oct. 1.

"We have a veteran team this year, and it's good that we got a taste of the tournament last season," Cuadrado said. "Our experience will pay off as we move forward."

The top four teams in the regular season standings qualify for the Summit League tournament Nov. 5-7. The tournament champion receives an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

### Volleyball squad tries to three-peat

Six NCAA tournament participants a year ago, plus 10 teams that won 20 games, highlight the women's volleyball schedule. NDSU will play 28 regular-season matches and host the four-team Summit League tournament for the second straight season.

"We are extremely excited about our upcoming schedule," said head coach Erich Hinterstocker. "The quality of competition that we are going to play in our non-conference matches is the best we've faced to date, and our team looks forward to the opportunities we have ahead of us."

NDSU opens the season with five straight NCAA teams beginning Aug. 27-28 at the Louisville Tournament. NDSU opens against Louisville, before facing Ohio.

NDSU then goes to the Iowa State Challenge Sept. 3-4 to face Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Iowa State and Florida International. Summit League play begins Sept. 10-11.

NDSU is coming off successful spring workouts that included a challenging tournament schedule against Kansas State, Marquette, Minnesota, Iowa, Iowa State, Northern Iowa, Texas and Wisconsin during three events. Hinterstocker said, "I feel confident that our spring and non-conference competitions will help us reach the goals we have set for the upcoming season."

The Bison were 23-4 overall last year and won their second straight Summit League regular-season championship with an 18-0 record.