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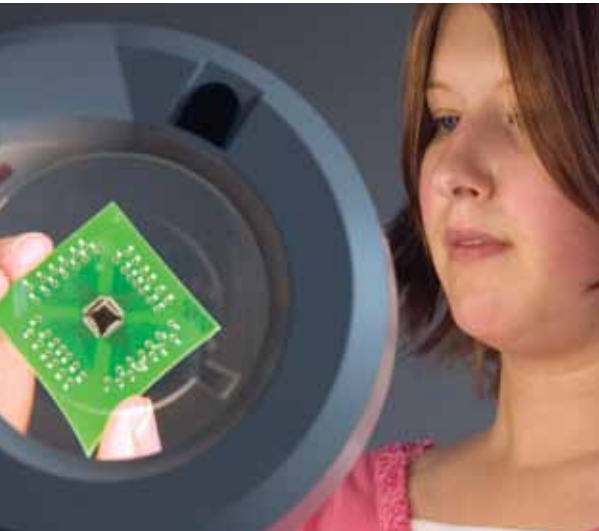
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THE STUDENT SECTION READS THE SPECTRUM WHILE THE OPPOSING TEAM IS INTRODUCED AT THE NDSU VS. SDSU MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME FEB. 25. NDSU PREVAILED, 84-61.



NDSU REACHES TOP NATIONAL RANK FROM CARNEGIE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

North Dakota State University has joined the nation's top 108 public and private universities in the Carnegie Commission on Higher Education's elite category of "Research Universities/Very High Research Activity." The complete list can be found at: http://classifications.carnegiefoundation.org/lookup_listings/srp.php?clq=%7B%22basic2005_ids%22%3A%2215%22%7D&limit=0,50.

"The Carnegie Commission announcement is an exciting recognition of NDSU's emerging national status," said NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani, noting the university's annual research expenditures as measured by the National Science Foundation exceeded \$114 million in 2008 and are anticipated to exceed that in upcoming 2009 NSF rankings. "NDSU is a student focused, land grant, research institution that has reached a level of contribution to our state and country on par with the nation's best universities. We

are honored by the Carnegie Foundation's acknowledgment of our achievements, and the opportunity for a North Dakota university to join the nation's most sought after higher education classification."

According to the foundation, the classifications "are intended to group institutions into meaningful, analytically manageable categories in order to allow researchers to make reasonable comparisons among similar institutions."

Other universities in the "Very High Research Activity" category include Brown University, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Georgetown University, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northwestern University, Ohio State University, Princeton University, Stanford University, Texas A&M University, University of Minnesota, University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill, University of Notre Dame, University of Southern California, University of Wisconsin, Vanderbilt University and Yale University.

The Carnegie classifications were developed in 1970, and dramatically revised in 2005, which is the last time the lists were updated. According to the Carnegie website, the classifications "provide the framework in which institutional diversity in U.S. higher education is commonly described. It is now the leading taxonomy of all accredited colleges and universities in the United States, currently developed using nationally available data from the U.S. Office of Postsecondary Education, the National Center for Education Statistics' Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, the National Science Foundation and the College Board."

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— Dean L. Bresciani, NDSU president



Report: NDSU Research and Tech Park helps regional economy

The NDSU Research and Technology Park positively impacts the economy, while creating jobs and generating revenue for local and state governments, according to a new independent report by Economic Modeling Specialists Inc.

“Research universities are uniquely positioned to foster and create a more diversified economy, and the unprecedented success of NDSU’s research park in the few years of its existence serves to illuminate that point,” said NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani.

The research examined a range of economic indicators to analyze the NDSU Research and Technology Park’s performance from 2007 to 2010, with projections for 2011. The report noted the total number of jobs in the park jumped from 511 to 893, or about 74 percent, during the past five years. By 2011, out-of-state revenues flowing to businesses in the park are expected to have grown 74 percent, and international revenues will have grown 77 percent.

Other highlights of the economic impact report include:

- The 19 businesses located at the NDSU Research and Technology Park account for 893 direct, on-site jobs and an additional 551 indirect, off-site jobs.
- Out-of-state sources pay for an estimated two-thirds of all jobs, earnings and local tax revenues generated by the park.
- Industries in the park pay out \$50.9 million in wages annually and account for another \$22.7 million in indirect off-site wages, due to multiplier effects, for a total of \$73.6 million in labor income in North Dakota.
- The park generates an estimated \$10.9 million per year for state and local governments, which includes \$7.3 million in government revenues through sales taxes, personal and corporate state income taxes and other charges, both directly and indirectly.
- The park generates an estimated \$3.6 million annually for governments through property taxes, other taxes and fees, both directly and indirectly.

- Companies in the park conduct trade with 26 nations on six continents, contributing approximately 10 percent of the park’s revenue.
- On-site employment in the park includes 138 jobs for NDSU students and 286 jobs for NDSU graduates, for an estimated 32 percent of park jobs held by NDSU graduates and 15 percent held by NDSU students.

Combining park opportunities with NDSU’s areas of research expertise has been a key to achieving these results. “Companies have located in the park for a variety of reasons, including access to NDSU student and faculty researchers in areas such as coatings, microelectronics and engineering,” said Philip Boudjouk, vice president for research, creative activities and technology transfer. “Companies here also have an interest in licensing the technologies developed at NDSU.”

The NDSU Research and Technology Park commissioned the study at a cost of \$8,500 to track economic impact and progress of the park. The report is available at www.ndsuresearchpark.com/ABOUT/Pages/events.aspx.

Joint master’s degree in public health program approved

The State Board of Higher Education unanimously approved a first-of-its-kind collaborative master’s degree program between NDSU and the University of North Dakota. Approved Nov. 4, the Master of Public Health (MPH) program will address an anticipated need for professionals in the field of public health.

The program will partner NDSU’s College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences with UND’s School of Medicine and Health Sciences and other departments at both universities.

“This program exemplifies the advantage and potential impact of the state’s two flagship research universities working together to solve a critical state need,” said NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani. “With support from the State Legislature, UND President Kelley and I intend for this to be the first of many such collaborations.”

Charles Peterson, dean of pharmacy, nursing, and allied sciences, said the new joint program serves as a model academic collaboration for the rest of the country. “This is a program that has been created by North Dakota for North Dakota and it will help the state advance public health initiatives all across the

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state,” he said. “This program will place North Dakota in a leadership role nationally related to public health education and training because of its unique configuration and innovative approach in training health

professionals. This is a historic day for North Dakota, for NDSU and for our college.”

According to the proposal, both UND and NDSU agree to split funding for the program. Each university would benefit from the academic strengths of the other in the areas of health and medicine. UND is a national leader in rural health services and research that leads to better access to health care in underserved areas. NDSU has proven strengths in medication therapy management, telepharmacy and research in biopharmaceuticals.

Mary Wakefield, former head of UND’s Center for Rural Health and current member of President Obama’s Health and Human Services Agency, and Dr. Terry Dwelle, state health officer, are credited with coming up with the idea for the program. Both identified a need to bolster the number of rural public health professionals in North Dakota and better equip existing rural health workers with the tools they need to improve services.

The North Dakota Legislature will decide on funding for the program. The total cost of the program is anticipated to be about \$1.2 million during the next biennium.



NDSU athletic campaign receives major gifts from Sanford Health and Scheels

NDSU and the athletic department have received two major gifts for the “Building the Competitive Edge for Bison Athletics” campaign. Sanford Health presented a \$10 million gift, while Scheels donated \$5 million.

Sanford Health’s gift is the largest one-time donation in the NDSU Development Foundation’s history.

Announced Sept. 27, the Sanford Health gift is the cornerstone for the \$32 million fundraising campaign. A 5,700-seat basketball and wrestling arena, and an eight-lane indoor track highlight the initiative.

Sanford Health president and CEO Kelby Krabbenhoff said, “We are building something special together on a great tradition of top level academic and athletic performance at NDSU. We are creating opportunities for outstanding Division I competition while promoting fitness and wellness for our youth and their families.”

Scheels announced its gift on Dec. 17 at the Scheels flagship store in Fargo. “On behalf of Scheels and the Scheel family we are pleased to help NDSU athletics move to the next level in facilities,” said Scheels CEO Steve Scheel. “Our gift will play a small part in providing Bison athletes and fans with improved facilities for basketball, wrestling and track. When we do well as a business, it is enjoyable to be able to do good in our Scheels’ communities.”

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President Dean L. Bresciani said NDSU commands a powerful niche as a student focused, land grant, research university, where athletics play an important role. “Sanford’s generosity, and more importantly the sense of partnership, is critical to our ability to continue to serve our students and our state,” he said. “We are extremely grateful for the generosity of Scheels and the Scheel family. Their gift is a substantial and important step in the completion of a project that will be positive for NDSU and North Dakota for many, many years to come.”

This extension and renovation of the Bison Sports Arena will transform the facility and surrounding area, including a track and field venue, into a true Division I athletic complex. It will serve as the “front door” venue welcoming student-athletes and campus



guests with the Bison Athletic Hall of Fame, Hall of Champions and various fan services and facilities.

A two-court basketball practice facility will be added to the southwest corner of the existing structure. The west-side addition will house human performance facilities, including strength training, sports medicine and rehabilitation areas. The renovated BSA also will have an athletic academic center for student-athletes.

“These wonderful gifts will bring us closer to completing some very critical facility needs that will positively impact our athletes, coaches, fans and staff for years to come,” said Gene Taylor, director of athletics. “We are excited about a long-term partnership with Sanford Health and the many great opportunities that lie ahead. We are extremely appreciative of the generous gift on behalf of Scheels and the Scheel family – it is an extension of the tremendous relationship we have with Scheels.”

Sanford Health, based in Fargo and Sioux Falls, S.D., is the largest, rural, not-for-profit healthcare system in the nation with a presence in 110 communities in eight states. Scheels has 23 stores in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Montana, Wisconsin and Nevada.

NDSU, tribal colleges collaborate for NSF grant

A collaboration of North Dakota universities and colleges has been awarded a \$4.8 million grant from the National Science Foundation for a five-year program to improve the diversity and education of engineering graduates in the state.

The North Dakota collaboration connects NDSU with Cankdeska Cikana Community College, Turtle Mountain Community College, Sitting Bull College and Ft. Berthold Community College. The title of North Dakota’s proposal was “PEEC: 2+2+2+Infinity: Pipeline for Tribal Pre-Engineering to Society.”

The collaboration, one of only four in the nation, is part of an initiative to bring four-year engineering schools together with tribal colleges to develop methods to attract, prepare and support under-represented

American Indian students for a career in one of the engineering disciplines.

Through the program, students from reservations begin their studies at a local tribal college and then transfer to a collaborating four-year institution to complete their studies and gain useful experience through professors, professional societies and co-op experiences.

“The heart of the proposal is the interaction of tribal high school, tribal college, mainstream university and engineering profession stakeholders to facilitate recruitment, education and support of tribal students. We want the students to acquire and hone the skills that allow them to enter the engineering profession or contribute in some other fashion to their communities

and the nation,” said Robert Pieri, NDSU tribal college partnership coordinator and principal investigator. G. Padmanabhan, professor of civil engineering, is co-principal investigator.

Pieri said the program includes a “conceptual curriculum” that will address access to remedial work, use of cohorts, flexibility in the approach to courses and relevance to local communities. During spring semester, he is teaching the first engineering class of the program to multiple sites using teleconference resources. In addition, engineering faculty members have been hired at several tribal colleges to support the effort.

Other collaborations are in South Dakota, Wisconsin and Hawaii.

NDSU, African university awarded \$1.1 million grant

NDSU has been awarded a \$1.1 million grant for an innovative partnership with Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. The grant was made through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and Higher Education for Development partnerships.

NDSU and Makerere University are working on research involving global human and animal pandemic diseases that could jeopardize food

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security. At least 70 percent of the human and animal pathogens affecting global trade are found in sub-Saharan Africa, which gives researchers a rare opportunity to learn about these disease threats. The universities will develop a coordinated surveillance system and establish centers of excellence for effective solutions in assessment, communication and response to potential outbreaks.

“North Dakota is a major exporter of agricultural and related products. Assuring the safety of products is vital to the state’s customers around the world. This work provides us an opportunity to interact and work with potential emerging organisms early,” said D.C. Coston, vice president for agriculture and university Extension. “Working with colleagues in Uganda, we have the opportunity to be prepared should those pathogens spread around the world and potentially end up in North Dakota. This research will allow North Dakota to have answers ready.”

The partnership idea was generated by Margaret Khaitsa, associate professor of veterinary and microbiological sciences, who is a graduate and former lecturer at Makerere University.

According to Khaitsa, students benefit by learning from faculty who are researching real world health issues. Previously, the universities offered students from NDSU and other U.S. universities a one-month summer experience in Uganda. Student feedback from the program led administrators to look for collaborative projects, such as the joint master’s degree program between NDSU and Makerere University that is in the approval process.

“The original intention of this program was to broaden students’ experiences so that they gain the skills necessary to apply for careers internationally with agencies such as the World Health Organization or the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service,” she said. “As a result of this program, students have had a distinct advantage over other students applying to professional schools because of their global experience.”

The partnership is part of the Africa-U.S. Higher Education Initiative, a collaboration among higher education associations and other organizations led by the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities. It was one of 11 grants selected from 33 proposals.

Ladd Legacy celebration planned

NDSU will celebrate 100 years of Ladd Hall and Edwin Ladd’s lasting legacy during events scheduled for May 16.

An open house of Ladd Hall is planned in the morning, and the Ladd Legacy Symposium will be held during the afternoon in the Memorial Union’s Century Theater. Several alumni and guest speakers will talk about the history of Ladd and his impact on NDSU and their lives.

Dr. Culver S. Ladd, grandson of Edwin Ladd, will take the stage to share Ladd’s success in passing food safety legislation in the U.S. Senate. NDSU’s Seth Rasmussen, associate professor of chemistry and biochemistry, will provide a historical overview of Ladd and Ladd Hall.

Two alumni speakers will discuss how instrumental NDSU and Ladd have been on their careers. Guest speakers include Philip Anfinrud, BS ’81, an intramural faculty member at the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases at the National Institutes of Health. He earned his doctorate in 1987 from Iowa State University. The second alumni speaker is Marvin Miller, BS ’71, who is the George and Winifred Clark professor at the University of Notre Dame Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. He is an organic chemist who earned his doctorate at Cornell University in 1976.

After the symposium, the NDSU Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry will host a reception and alumni reunion at the NDSU Alumni Center. For more information, contact Greg Cook at gregory.cook@ndsu.edu.

NDSU Visual and Cognitive Neuroscience Center awarded \$10.7 million grant

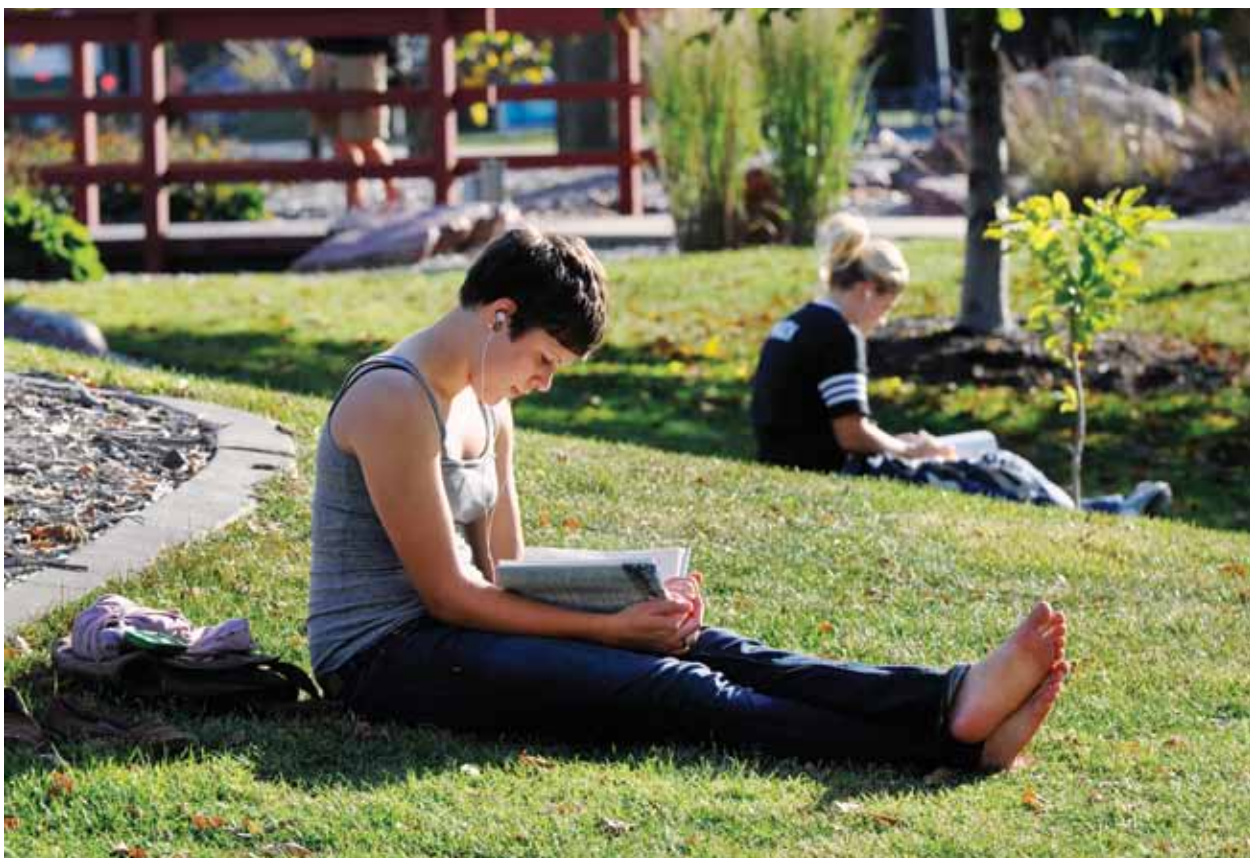
A major federal grant will allow NDSU’s Center for Visual and Cognitive Neuroscience to enhance its leading-edge research. The five-year, \$10.7 million competitive grant renewal comes from the National Center for Research Resources, a component of the National Institutes of Health.

“This grant will sustain support for numerous research projects devoted to an enhanced understanding of the brain processes of normal and disordered perception and cognition,” said Mark E. McCourt, professor of psychology and center director, noting the latest award sustains essential multi-user core laboratory facilities in high-density EEG, immersive virtual reality and driving simulation.

The center was established in 2004 with an \$8.9 million Centers of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE)

grant award. Faculty, students and staff at the CVCN are engaged in a variety of research projects, including investigating how memory and attention affect cognitive abilities; how infants process visual information; how aging affects vision and cognition; how humans are able to use a type of depth perception called motion parallax; how hearing and vision are integrated in multimodal working memory which holds small amounts of information in the brain for quick access and action; and research on developing devices to aid visually impaired people.

The grant also supports graduate and undergraduate students, technical and administrative staff, postdoctoral fellows and visiting scientists involved in research projects.



Fall 2010 enrollment sets record

NDSU’s enrollment continues to climb, setting a record during fall 2010 semester for the 11th consecutive year. The university’s official fourth week enrollment was 14,407 undergraduate, graduate and professional students, an increase of 218 from 2009.

NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani said parents and students recognize and appreciate NDSU’s value. “NDSU, as a top 100 research university, offers students the opportunity to participate in the process of creating knowledge. Our students are in the labs and in classrooms with top faculty, at an institution that is uniquely focused on students and research,” he said.

NDSU’s international student population also reached an all-time high of 1,307 students.

Prakash Mathew, vice president for student affairs, credits the enrollment increase to student retention. “I believe that we are very intentional in everything that we do in our recruitment and retention process,” he said. “The responsibility for recruitment is a function of every member of the university community. We take great pride in the fact that we are a welcoming community at NDSU.”



Alpha Gamma Rho house dedicated

NDSU’s Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity has cause for celebration. The university’s oldest fraternity has completed a four-year effort to renovate and expand the 80-year-old chapter house, located at 1303 N. University Drive.

In 2007, a \$1.75 million alumni campaign was started to support construction, provide for undergraduate scholarships and purchase additional property for parking. The campaign exceeded its goal, supported by 125 volunteers and 371 donors. Construction took place during the 2009-10 academic year.

NDSU President Dean L. Bresciani congratulated the chapter on its achievements, which were recognized at dedication ceremonies during 2010 Homecoming Week. “As the first national fraternity established at North Dakota Agricultural College – now NDSU – you have a well deserved tradition of excellence and the entire university is proud of you,” Bresciani said. “Your members and alumni have distinguished themselves and this university with their accomplishments and achievements.”

Improvements to the house include handicapped accessibility to the main floor, a 2,900-square foot addition to the east which creates six new student rooms and improved air conditioning, heating, Internet access and safety features.

Alpha Gamma Rho, whose undergraduate members and alumni share career interests in agriculture, food and fiber industries, has 68 chapters across the country. The Epsilon Chapter was founded in 1913 and was the fifth chapter nationwide.

Students create ad campaign to prevent high-risk drinking

NDSU’s Office of Orientation and Student Success has enlisted the help of communication students to create an advertising campaign about high-risk drinking decisions.

The students in Elizabeth Crawford’s advertising practicum course created the “Before One More” campaign that helps students understand when one more drink can become one too many and teaches how to make low-risk drinking decisions.

“The campaign isn’t about telling students what to do or how to do it. Rather, it is about giving them the resources to make decisions about alcohol consumption that are consistent with achieving their personal and professional goals,” said Erika Beseler Thompson, assistant director for alcohol and other drug abuse prevention. She adds for students under 21 years of age, one is one too many, and for students who choose to drink, it’s important to know how to do it without harming themselves or others around them.

During the effort, more than 1,600 “Before One More” T-shirts were given out on campus at various events, such as Club NDSU, Campus LIVE at the Wallman Wellness Center and during the health fair in October. In addition, all student tickets to Bison football games included information on the campaign, and Herd Hauler key tags with “Before One More” information were available through Student Government. Also, the student-run NDSU television station, Bison Information Network, is creating a video for the campaign.

For more on the campaign, visit www.ndsu.edu/alcoholinfo/students/before_one_more.

CLASS NOTES

'50s

JOHN Q. PAULSEN, BS '50, economics, HD '02, received the Legacy Leader Award from the Fargo Moorhead Chamber of Commerce. The honor recognizes longtime local leaders for shaping and serving the organization, community and region. His many civic activities include the Fargo Board of Education, Plains Art Museum board, F-M Symphony Orchestra board, Prairie Public Broadcasting Inc. board and Fargo Planning Commission.

MITZI (MALLARIAN) BRUNSDALE, BS '59, MS '61, English, wrote "Icons of Mystery and Crime Detection: From Sleuths to Superheroes," published by Greenwood Press. The book concentrates on 24 of the most enduring creations and creators of detective and mystery stories. She is a professor of English at Mayville State University in Mayville, N.D.

'60s

DENNIS JOHNSON, BS '62, animal science, retired as a dairy scientist at the West Central Research and Outreach Center in Morris, Minn.

DON HOFSTRAND, BS '67, MS '69, agricultural economics, retired as an Iowa State University Extension farm management specialist. He will continue to work with Ag Ventures Alliance, Rural Development Partners and Ag Marketing Resource Center. He and his wife, Suzanne, live in Mason City, Iowa.

HOWARD C. ANDERSON, BS '68, pharmacy, was named honorary president of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy. The executive director of the North Dakota State Board of Pharmacy in Bismarck, N.D., he previously owned Turtle Lake, N.D., Rexall Drug for 35 years.

MICHAEL DREW, MS '68, education administration, was selected for the West Fargo High School Hall of Fame. He was principal of the high school from 1979 to 1998.

NEIL QUALEY, BS '68, MS '74, agricultural economics, retired after a 35-year career in banking. He most recently was president of State Bank and Trust Co. of Moorhead, Minn., and he previously worked 20 years for American Bank and Trust Co. of Moorhead. He began his banking career at Citizens State Bank in Rugby, N.D. He and his wife, Carmen, live in Moorhead.

MIKE SATHER, BS '68, MS '70, pharmacy, is the director of the Department of Veterans Affairs Cooperative Studies Program Clinical Research Pharmacy Coordinating Center in Albuquerque, N.M., which received the 2009 President's National Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award. The honor is the highest national quality award and is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Commerce. The center also received the Quality New Mexico's ZIA Award, the highest achievable award for businesses in New Mexico and the VA's highest quality award, the Secretary's Robert W. Carey Trophy Award for Organizational Excellence. Sather has served as the center's director since 1976. He lives in Tijeras, N.M.

JAY BURINGRUD, BS '69, business and economics, received the State Bar Association of North Dakota's Community Service Award in recognition of outstanding service to the public. He is an attorney with the North Dakota Legislative Council. He and his wife, Linda, live in Bismarck, N.D.

JOHN HELLER, BS '69, physical education, has retired after 40 years of teaching. For the past 25 years, he served as athletic director at Highland Park High School in St. Paul, Minn.

ALTON RESSLER, BS '69, social science, MA '71, political science, was inducted in the Defense Logistics Agency Hall of Fame during ceremonies at McNamara Headquarters Complex in Fort Belvoir, Va. He is the former director of corporate administration for the agency. He lives in Fairfax Station, Va.

'70s

KENNETH HEEN, BS '70, agricultural economics, was named president and CEO of American State Bank and Trust Co. of Williston, N.D., and American State Bank Holding Co. A Williston native, he has been with the bank for 19 years.

TIM BEATON, BS '71, history and education administration, was named executive director of the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation. He and his wife, **JOAN (TOOL)**, BS '71, MS '94, home economics education, owned Tooltime Paint Hardware and Rental in Fargo.

STAN DARDIS, BS '71, agricultural education, was appointed to the board of directors of Titan Machinery Inc. of West Fargo. He is the retired CEO and director of Bremer Financial Corp.

KENNETH FREY, BS '72, agricultural education, is a journeyman electrician with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 191 in Everett, Wash. He works in industrial and commercial building construction. He and his wife, Cookie, live in Camano Island, Wash.



CAROL (KLEIN) FUNFAR, AD '73, nursing, was named to the NDSU Nursing Alumni Advisory Board. She has been director of personal care services for Bethany Retirement Living in Fargo since 2004.

RICK HUELSMAN, BS '73, MS '74, civil engineering, is a transportation engineer with Kadmas, Lee and Jackson in Bismarck, N.D.

BONNIE (NELSON) MOHS, BS '73, home economics education, is the housing manager at Union Central senior living apartment complex in Detroit Lakes, Minn. She and her husband, Al, live in Detroit Lakes.

TIM WILD, BA '73, English, was named territory sales manager for GPA, a specialty substrate provider with headquarters in Chicago. His territory includes, Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and Alberta. He lives in Seattle.

RICHARD M. LARSON, BS '74, animal science, joined Peterson Farms Seed of Harwood, N.D., as a territory sales agronomist for southeast North Dakota. He is a certified crop consultant.

BARRY NELSON, BA '74, sociology, was named project director for Head Start and Early Head Start at the Southeastern North Dakota Community Action Agency in Fargo. Nelson previously was executive director for the Metro Youth Partnership in Moorhead, Minn.

STEVE NELSON, BS '74, physical education, was featured in a story at www.InsightfulPlayer.com, a website that strives to inspire American youth to overcome obstacles and reach for their dreams. An All-America football player at NDSU, Nelson played 14 seasons in the National Football League. His number, 57, was retired by the New England Patriots. He lives in Middleboro, Mass.

JEFF ASKEW, BS '75, science and mathematics, joined the staff of Medcenter One Occupational Health Clinic in Bismarck, N.D. He is a doctor of chiropractic, and also has a private practice.

BERNIE DARDIS, BA '75, sociology - criminal justice, received the North Dakota Chamber of Commerce Community Leadership Award during ceremonies in West Fargo. Among the Chamber's most prestigious awards, the honor recognizes outstanding community service and support. His many activities include the West Fargo Exchange Club, Metro Youth Partnership, Fargo-Moorhead Personnel Association, Boy Scouts, AAU Youth Wrestling, F-M Athletics and the Chambers of Commerce in West Fargo and Fargo-Moorhead.

LEO KIM, BU '75, university studies, has published a new photography book titled, "Saint Paul Serenity." The publication features 44 black and white photographs of locations in the Minnesota capital city when no people are present. More information can be found on his website at www.leokim.com/Leo_Kim_Photography/Home.html. He lives in St. Paul.

MARK SCHLENOVGT, BS '75, animal science, is the area director for the Valley City, N.D., office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development.

CURTIS STOFFERAHN, BS '75, social science, was elected vice chair and chair-elect of the University Senate at the University of North Dakota. He has served nine years on the Senate, five years on the Executive Committee, three years on the Council of College Faculties and four years on the Standing Committee on Faculty Rights. A professor of sociology, Stofferahn has been at UND since 1988.

ELAINE (WIELAND) KUCERA, BS '76, medical technology, was named director of laboratory services at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck, N.D.

MATT SANDERSON, AD '76, BS '81, MS '83, agronomy, was named director of the USDA Agricultural Research Service's Northern Great Plains Research Laboratory at Mandan, N.D. He formerly was a lead scientist at the USDA-ARS Pasture Systems and Watershed Management Research Unit in University Park, Penn.

REUBEN VILAND, BS '76, agricultural economics, was promoted to branch manager of the Valley City, N.D. office for AgCountry Farm Credit Services. He is a senior loan officer for AgCountry.

BARRY BATCHELLER, BS '77, electrical and electronic engineering, is president and CEO of Appareo Systems of Fargo, an engineering firm named on Inc. Magazine's list of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The company specializes in lightweight flight data recorders and other aviation technology.

MARY HELMS, BS '77, English, was elected to the Nebraska AIDS Project board of directors, an organization to fight AIDS and support persons with the disease. She is an associate professor and associate director of library resources and technology at McGoogan Library of Medicine at the University Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha.



DEB (TEWKSBUURY) KOEPLIN, BS '77, agricultural economics, was named by Wells Fargo as community banking president for Valley City and Litchville, N.D. She is active in the Sheyenne River Valley Chapter of North Country Trail Association and Valley City Eagles Auxiliary.

HILLOL RAY, MS '77, environmental engineering, was selected for inclusion in "Who's Who in the World 2011" and "Who's Who in America 2011." He is an environmental engineer with the Environmental Protection Agency's Region 6 in Dallas and writes poetry.

JEFF SCHLEPP, BArch '77, architecture, is celebrating his 30th year as an architectural engineering instructor at Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls, S.D.

DEBORAH (ANDERSON) STRAND, BS '77, dietetics, was named the North Dakota Dietetic Association's 2010 outstanding dietitian of the year. She is a health care specialist for business development with Sysco North Dakota Inc. She lives in Wilton, N.D.

DALE DEKREY, BS '78, mathematics and chemistry, BS '82 and MS '82, mechanical engineering, was promoted to associate director for operations and resources at the Fargo Veterans Administration Medical Center.

JON NESS, BA '79, sociology, MS '84, community and regional planning, was named CEO of Kootenai Health in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. He previously was CEO of Billings Clinic in Billings, Mont.

'80s

PEGGY ANDERSON, BS '80, home economics education, received the Continued Excellence Award from the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. She is the Extension family consumer science and 4-H youth development agent for Burke and Divide Counties in North Dakota.

GREG GILLESPIE, MS '80, PhD '82, agronomy, was named vice president of academic and student affairs at Yavapai College, Prescott, Ariz.

ANNETTE (SCHAUER) GODTLAND, BS '80, mathematics, mathematics education and computer science, published her first book, "This Little Program Went to Market: Create, Deploy, Distribute, Sell and Market Software and More on the Internet at Little or No Cost to You." She is CEO of Godtland Software Corp. in Rochester, Minn.

CRAIG HANSON, BS '80, soil science, joined AgCountry Farm Credit Services in Grand Forks, N.D., as a senior loan officer.

CARLA (KOESTER) PEDERSON, BS '80, textiles and clothing, joined Bremer Insurance in Crookston, Minn. She previously was an Alerus Insurance agent in Grand Forks, N.D.

DR. ROBERT PENNE, BU '80, university studies, is an attending surgeon and director of the Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery Department at Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia. He also is co-director of the Ocular Cicatricial Pemphigoid Clinic.

LUCIA (HOLM) SCHROEDER, MS '80, home economics education, is a visiting assistant professor at Purdue University North Central in Westville, Ind.

KATHY SCHUH, BS '81, music education, MS '95, secondary education, MS '96, computer science, received the Special Recognition Award for Mentoring from the University of Iowa Graduate College. She is an associate professor in the educational psychology program. She lives in Iowa City, Iowa.

DAN STEINMAN, BS '81, computer science, was named vice president of customer success by Marketo of San Mateo, Calif. The company specializes in revenue performance management solutions.

MARK SUNDET, BS 81, architectural studies and architecture, joined the RLE Group of Fargo and Bismarck as a project manager. He lives in Fargo.

LISA EDISON-SMITH, BS '82, business administration and accounting, was included in the 2011 edition of "The Best Lawyers in America." She works at the Vogel Law Firm in Fargo.

MIKE HEILMAN, BS '82, MEd '94, agricultural education, was named assistant superintendent of secondary education for Bismarck, N.D., Public Schools.

TERRY LONGTIN, BS '82, agricultural mechanics, was named director of Alerus Agriculture, a new customer segment of Alerus Financial, Grand Forks, N.D.

KEVIN NELSON, BS '82, agricultural education, MEd '04, education administration, was named superintendent at the Hebron, N.D., Public School.

DAVID BERG, MS '83, agricultural economics, was named to the board of directors of State Bank and Trust. He is president and chief executive officer of American Crystal Sugar Co.

BRIG. GEN. PATRICK MARTIN, BS '83, electrical and electronic engineering, retired as the North Dakota National Guard's deputy adjutant general and assistant adjutant general for air after a 36-year military career. He lives in Pelican Rapids, Minn.

MIKEL MILLER, BS '83, electrical and electronic engineering, is the chief scientist at the Munitions Directorate of the Air Force Research Laboratory at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. He is responsible for directing research and development projects advancing weapon system guidance, navigation and control technology. He also is an adjunct professor at the Air Force Institute of Technology and Miami University of Ohio. He lives in Niceville, Fla.

SCOTT STASKA, BS '83, speech communication and history education, was named the state's top superintendent by the Minnesota Association of School Administrators. He is the superintendent at Rocori area school, which includes the towns of Cold Spring, Richmond and Rockville.

COL. DALE ADAMS, BS '84, construction management, retired as director of joint staff for the North Dakota National Guard. He served in the National Guard for more than 32 years. He and his wife, Tammy, have two children and live in Bismarck, N.D.

DAVID L. JOHNSON, BS '84, mechanical engineering, was named operations manager of the Williston, N.D., office of Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services Inc. He previously was district engineer for the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District.

MIKE MCELHANY, BS '84, electrical and electronic engineering, received the Western Area Power Administration's Exceptional Service Award. He is a reliability compliance adviser for Western's Desert Southwest and Rocky Mountain regions. He began working for Western in 1985. He and his wife, Patty, live in Phoenix and have three children.

CURT VANDYKE, BS '84, agronomy, was promoted to vice president for the western region of AgCountry Farm Credit Services. He was the branch manager in Valley City, N.D., for 14 years.



RON VETTER, BS '84, mathematics and computer science, MS '86, computer science, was named editor-in-chief for Computer, a magazine of the IEEE Computer Society that covers all aspects of computer science. He will serve a two-year term. He is a professor and past chair of computer science at the University of North Carolina Wilmington.

BRAD FIECHTNER, BS '85, mechanical engineering, started his own business, a Kitchen Tune-up franchise in Aberdeen, S.D. The company specializes in kitchen and bath remodeling through cabinet reconditioning, redoing, refacing and new kitchen design. He previously was the engineering and facilities manager at BAE Systems in Aberdeen. He and his wife, Pam, have twin boys and live in Aberdeen.

JULIE KUEHL, BS '85, MS '88, agricultural economics, is a Web technology specialist for NDSU Agriculture Communication. She previously was executive director of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute's Transportation Learning Network.

WARREN LUNDBLAD, BS '85, industrial engineering, retired from the U.S. Navy after 25 years of service, spending much of his career providing waterfront oversight of Navy ships under construction in private shipyards across the country. He was named vice president of engineering at Gibbs and Cox Inc., a naval architecture and marine engineering firm with headquarters in Arlington, Va. He lives in Manassas, Va.

JANE (MARTINSON) STROMMEN, BS '85, business administration, is project coordinator for the NDSU North Dakota Partners in Nursing Gerontology Consortium Project. The project will address nursing workforce shortages specific to gerontology in the state.

LINDA COOPER, BS '86, mechanical engineering, is a manufacturing engineer at Applied Engineering in Fargo.

JULIE GARDEN-ROBINSON, BS '86, food and nutrition, MS '89, food and nutrition, PhD '94, cereal science, received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. She is an Extension food and nutrition specialist and associate professor of health, nutrition and exercise sciences at NDSU.

DOUGLAS H. JOHNSON, PhD '86, zoology, received the Aldo Leopold Memorial Award from the Wildlife Society. The honor recognizes distinguished service to wildlife conservation. Johnson, who was described in one nomination as "one of the true visionaries in the wildlife profession," has worked more than 40 years with the U.S. Geological Survey. He is stationed at the Northern Prairie field office in St. Paul, Minn.

LEROY SKARLOKEN, BU '86, university studies, was promoted to assistant chief and supervisor of the A shift with the Fargo Fire Department.

MIKE STRATTON, BS '86, physical education, was inducted into the St. Croix Valley Athletic Hall of Fame in Stillwater, Minn. He was an All-State football player in high school and was inducted into the NDSU Bison Hall of Fame in 2002.

JIM HAMBRICK, BS '87, business administration, BS '88, accounting, supervises electronic banking and cash management services for Starion Financial in Fargo.

GREGORY RICK, BS '87, construction management, is president of Rick Electric Inc. in Moorhead, Minn., which received the Safety Excellence Award from the National Electrical Contractors Association.

DAVID ROEDEL, BS '88, civil engineering, joined the transportation department of Moore Engineering Inc. in West Fargo as a project manager. He and his wife, Cindy, have three daughters.

DEAN SALTER, BS '88, agricultural economics, was named parts manager for Northern Improvement Co. in Bismarck, N.D.

TERRY BASOL, BS '89, crop and weed sciences, is the new Iowa State University Extension field agronomist at the Borlaug Learning Center near Nashua, in northeast Iowa.

COL. GLEN MASSET, BS '89, construction management, assumed command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Little Rock District, with offices in Little Rock, Ark. The district has about 790 employees and was responsible for a \$1.17 billion program during fiscal 2010. He has held a variety of command assignments during his 21 years as an Army officer, and participated in Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Joint Endeavor, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

'90s

TRENT BAALKE, MS '91, secondary education, was named general manager of the San Francisco 49ers football team. He previously was vice president of player personnel for the team.

STEVEN FISCHER, BS '91, criminal justice, was promoted to sergeant by the North Dakota Highway Patrol. He was assigned to Minot in the Northwest Region.

JOHN KENNICKER, MS '91, crop and weed sciences, joined RPE of Bancroft, Wis., as a potato research technician.

BRENDA (RYSTEDT) SEM, BS '91, accounting, was promoted to trust manager at Alerus Financial in Grand Forks, N.D.

KURT WITT, BS '91, music education, is the director of marketing in the South Bend, Ind., headquarters of The Woodwind and Brasswind. The company is the largest direct response retailer of band instruments and orchestra musical instruments in the United States. He previously was marketing manager at Yamaha Corp. of America for the wind instrument product line.

MAJ. STUART BECKMAN, BS '92, agricultural economics and military science, was promoted to lieutenant colonel at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, where he served as chief of the Material Management Center. The center provided fuel, water and ammunition to more than 1,500 American soldiers and contractors, and provided maintenance support for more than 500 vehicles. He and his wife, Maranel, have two sons and live in Fargo.



DON BROPHY, BS '92, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '94, was appointed chair of the Department of Pharmacotherapy and Outcomes Science at Virginia Commonwealth University's School of Pharmacy in Richmond, Va. He is a professor of pharmacy and internal medicine and serves as director of the Coagulation Special Studies Laboratory

at the school. He is on the editorial boards of The Annals of Pharmacotherapy and the journal, Pharmacotherapy.

KURT GUNNING, BS '92, industrial engineering and management, was inducted into the St. Croix Valley Athletic Hall of Fame in Stillwater, Minn. In high school, he was an All-State football player for the Ponies. He and his wife, **VANESSA (VISTAL)**, BS '90, nursing, live in West Fargo.

MARSHALL JOHNSON, BS '92, sociology, joined the Mule Deer Foundation as a regional field director for Montana and North Dakota. He and his wife, Pat, have two sons and live in Billings, Mont.

DAVID STORDALEN, BS '92, music education, graduated from Army Reserve Component Warrant Officer School and was promoted to Warrant Officer One at Ft. McClellan, Ala. He was appointed bandmaster and commander of the 188th Army band in Fargo.

LEE ANN BARNHARDT, MS '93, communication, became a fellow and certified court executive of the Institute of Court Management. She is director of education and communication with the North Dakota Court System. She lives in Bismarck, N.D.

TOM DUBBELS, BS '93, physical education and psychology, was named interim dean of student services at Minnesota State Community and Technical College in Moorhead. He has been a counselor on the campus since 1996.



TOM LILJA, BS '93, agricultural education and agricultural Extension, received the Alpha Gamma Rho Grand President's Award, which recognizes business excellence and professional achievement. He is executive director for the North Dakota Corn Growers Association in Fargo.

WILLIAM MARCIL SR., HD '93, retired after 41 years as publisher of The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead. He remains chair of Forum Communications Co.

DEON STOCKERT, BS '93, civil engineering, received the George Warren Fuller Award from the American Water Works Association. The honor recognizes distinguished service to the drinking water industry. He is the water group manager for Advanced Engineering and Environmental Services Inc. and project manager for the core system of the Rocky Boy's/North Central Montana Regional Water System. He and his wife, Karin, live in Great Falls, Mont.

KARI (ENGEN) THOMAS, BS '93, respiratory therapy, joined St. Alexis Medical Center's Emergency Room and Trauma Center in Bismarck. She is a physician assistant.

JAMES PRALLE, BS '94, mass communication and speech communication, joined March Networks as a strategic account manager for the Midwest region. He lives in Horace, N.D.

JILL SHEA, BS '94, apparel and textiles, was promoted to chief merchandising officer for Vanity in Fargo. She has been with the company since 1993.

PHILIP STAHL, BArch '94, architecture, celebrated the 10th anniversary of his firm, Stahl Architects and Builders in Fargo. The design and building company employees six people, and has been featured on Home and Garden Television, as well as in Dwell magazine and "Not So Big Remodeling," a book by Sarah Susanka.

KENDALL SWANSON, BS '94, MS '96, animal and range science, joined the NDSU faculty as an associate professor in the animal sciences department. He earned a doctorate from the University of Kentucky.

TODD WASH, BS '94, physical education, MEd '96, secondary education, is the defensive line coach for the Seattle Seahawks football team. He previously coached for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

NICOLE (VOLLMUTH) BAKKEGARD, BS '95, MBA '06, business administration, joined Bank Forward in Fargo as compensation and benefits manager.

DAN JOHNSON, BS '95, agricultural economics, is the regional director of crop insurance for Choice Financial at the bank's Grafton, N.D., Grand Forks, N.D., and Fargo locations.

CHERI (RASMUSSEN) GERKEN, BS '96, psychology, MS '00, child development and family science, was named program development coordinator for Fraser Ltd., Fargo. She is vice president of the board of directors for the Dorothy Day House of Hospitality in Moorhead. She lives in Moorhead.

JARED NESJE, BArch '96, architecture, BS '96, environmental design, joined the Sioux Falls, S.D., office of TSP, a regional architecture, engineering and construction services firm.

 **COIYA TOMPKINS**, BS '96, mass communication, was named director of marketing and public relations for Sun Health of Sun City, Ariz. Before joining the nonprofit health care organization's leadership team, she was director of marketing at Sierra Medical Center in El Paso, Texas.

SCOTT GEIGER, BS '97, mechanical engineering, MBA '09, business, joined SpaceAge Synthetics in Fargo as engineering manager.


TRAVIS GULLICKSON, BS '97, agricultural economics, was promoted to director of logistics and planning at Land O'Lakes Inc. He and his wife, **ERICA (HANSON)**, BS '97, social science education, have two children and live in Maple Grove, Minn.

VANESSA VEFLIN, BS '97, mass communication, joined DFC Consultants in Fargo as a sales and marketing assistant.

JESSIE AAMODT, BS '98, food and nutrition, is the cheer team coach at Park Christian School of Moorhead and a consultant dietitian for Rosewood on Broadway in Fargo.

MATT COCHRAN, BS '98, athletic training, was named business banking relationship manager at Wells Fargo in Duluth, Minn. He is on the board of Choice Unlimited, a Duluth organization providing support services for adults with disabilities, and the Congdon Park Hockey Association.

JODY (OSOWSKI) GIZA, BS '98, respiratory care, joined Lakewood Health System as a physician assistant. The system has a hospital in Staples, Minn., with clinics in Browerville, Eagle Bend, Motley and Pillager, Minn.

 **JOSHUA JOHNSON**, BS '98, landscape architecture and environmental design, earned certification by the Council of Landscape Architectural Registration Boards. He works in the Rochester, Minn., office of Widseth Smith Nolting. The firm provides architectural, engineering, land surveying and environmental services.

SHANNON SCHLECHT, BS '98, MS '02, agricultural economics, was promoted to director of policy at U.S. Wheat Associates, Arlington, Va. He directs the organization's trade policy development focused on increasing overseas markets for U.S. wheat producers. Schlecht joined the organization in 2001.

JENNIFER (DOHRMANN) DEHNERT, BA '99, English education, was promoted to compliance and audit analyst at Starion Financial. She lives in Mandan, N.D.

LYNNE (HUSCHKA) DEVITT, BA '99, English, was named manager of membership and underwriting at Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota.

AARON DUNN, BS '99, sociology, was selected for the 2010 class of the Pat Tillman Military Scholars. Named for the former football player and military hero, the Pat Tillman Foundation was created after he was killed in action in Afghanistan in 2004. Dunn attended the Pat Tillman Legacy Summit in Washington, D.C., visited wounded service members at Walter Reed Medical Center and advocated for veterans and their families. Dunn is a third-year law student at Charleston School of Law in Charleston, S.C. A veteran of both Iraq and Afghanistan, he lives in Goose Creek, S.C., with his wife, Tammy, and their son, Jack.



AARON KELLY, BArch '99, architecture, was promoted to associate principal and studio lead for RNL's office in Los Angeles. Kelly has worked more than 11 years for RNL, a global design firm with headquarters in Denver.

JOSIE (MALENIUS) OLSON, BS '99, civil engineering, joined Krech Ojard and Associates in Duluth, Minn., as a civil engineer

JON ROSEMEIER, BS '99, mechanical engineering, joined the design and engineering team at Park Tool in St. Paul, Minn. The company manufactures tools for bicycles.

'00s



BRANT BIGGER, BS '00, biotechnology, and his wife, Tami, were recognized at the Agassiz Leaders Awards Banquet. They are Becker County's representatives in the Red River Valley Emerging Leadership Program. He is a laboratory technician for the USDA - Agriculture Research Service. The couple lives in Lake Park, Minn.

RYAN BOHNSACK, BS '00, agricultural economics, MBA '06, business administration, was named agriculture and business banker for American Federal Bank at its south Fargo location. He also is actively involved with Bohnsack Farms in Hillsboro, N.D. He and his wife, Dani, and their daughter, Stella, live in Mapleton, N.D.

NICK BUTTS, BS '00, electrical engineering, MS '07, electrical and computer engineering, joined Appareo Systems in Fargo as a senior firmware engineer. He previously worked for Phoenix International.

DONALD "DJ" DAMBERGER, BS '00, electrical engineering, was promoted to plant manager at the CertainTeed facility in Ennis, Texas.

MARK MADSON, BS '00, agricultural economics, was named agriculture division manager for Butler Machinery in Fargo. He previously was territory sales manager at New Holland Ag.

SARAH VAN TRUMP, BS '00, art, is a bench jeweler at The Crown Jewels in Fargo.

TRACY BRIGGS, MA '01, mass communication, left her morning radio talk show at WDAY in Fargo to join Forum Communications Interactive Media Group. She was named digital content development director.

STEPHANIE DAUER, BS '01, pharmaceutical sciences, PharmD '03, pharmacy, is a benefit operations pharmacist for Prime Therapeutics, a pharmacy benefit management company located in Eagan, Minn.

JARED MAHER, BU '01, university studies, was named 2010 Agent of the Year in the Fargo general office of New York Life. He has operated Jared Maher Financial since 2005.



GWEN (PETERSON) MCCAUSLAND, BS '01, sociology, is the new outreach program coordinator for NDSU's Office of Multicultural Programs. She earned a degree in Welsh ethnological studies from Cardiff University, Wales, United Kingdom, and previously worked in the museum field as a curator of collections. She also teaches a course in the NDSU history department called Introduction to Museum Work. She lives in Fargo.

TRISTAN SIMETKOSKY, BS '01, MS '04, electrical engineering, joined Packet Digital of Fargo as lead systems verification engineer.

SARAH TUNGE, MS '01, natural resource management, is fire manager for the North Dakota Forest Service at the Bismarck, N.D., office. She is responsible for implementing and directing statewide wildfire protection programs.

RYAN ZERFACE, BS '01, mass communication, is a commercial credit underwriter at Alerus Financial in Fargo.

JED HILLMER, BS '02, zoology, established Hillmer Eye Clinic, an independent optometry practice, in Fargo. He is a graduate of Pacific University College of Optometry in Forest Grove, Ore.

REBECCA HUMMEL, BS '02, interior design, joined Syverson Tile and Stone, Fargo, as an architectural representative.

STEVEN OAKES, BS '02, recreation management, is a financial associate for Thrivent Financial for Lutherans at its Fargo regional office. He previously worked at the Gerald R. Ford Job Corps Center in Grand Rapids, Mich. He lives in Moorhead.

JAMIE (BUCHHOLZ) SATROM, BS '02, business administration, is an insurance accountant at Bank Forward in Fargo.

MATTHEW WALSVIK, BS '02, civil engineering, joined the West Fargo office of Moore Engineering Inc. He is a project engineer in the Municipal Department.


KARAN BURLEY AMBUEHL, BS '03, business administration, joined the sales and business staff of On The Minds of Moms magazine.

JUSTIN DAVY, BS '03, electrical engineering, is a design engineer for Ulteig in Fargo. He previously was an engineer with the Shaw Group of Centennial, Colo.

SABASTIAN ERTELT, BS '03, mechanical engineering, joined Applied Engineering in Fargo as a design engineer.

CHRISTOPHER HAUFSCCHILD, BS '03, management information systems, joined Rasmussen College in Bismarck, N.D., where he leads the school's associate degree program in information systems management.

LUCAS HAUGEN, BS '03, industrial engineering and management, joined the technical sales department of AMSOIL, with corporate offices in Superior, Wis.

 **BRIAN JACOBSON**, BS '03, accounting, was promoted to manager of the tax department for Olsen Thielen. The certified public accounting and consulting firm has offices in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn.

RYAN KRUMWIEDE, BS '03, mass communication, and his wife, Taryn, started a nonprofit organization called Ella's Halo in memory of their daughter. They provide the comforts of home to neonatal intensive care units in the Twin Cities area. They live in Richfield, Minn.

ERIN MAYO, BS '03, business administration, joined Heartland Trust in Fargo. She works with the administration of personal trusts and with agency and individual retirement accounts.

MONICA JO (WYUM) PTACEK, BS '03, nursing, was promoted to director of ancillary and support services for Oakes Community Hospital. She oversees laboratory, pharmacy, radiology and other ancillary departments for the hospital. She lives in Oakes, N.D., with her husband, Darren, and their three boys.

LINDSAY VETTLESON, BS '03, food and nutrition, joined IMA Healthcare in Fargo. She is a licensed and registered dietitian.

JOAN D. BECKMAN, BS '04, biotechnology, earned her doctorate in cancer biology from the University of Minnesota. She lives in Lauderdale, Minn., with her husband, **MATTHEW LARSON**, BS '05, Spanish education.

KARRIE (AUSTIN) HUBER, BA '04, mass communication, was named an advertising sales and marketing consultant for the Finder Network, Mandan News, Business Watch, Chamber Connection and Fine Living Review. She lives in Bismarck, N.D.

AMY LINSTAEDT, BS '04, child development and family science, was named a personal banking officer at State Bank and Trust in Moorhead.

GREGORY LITTON, BS '04, criminal justice, is a trust officer for Pioneer Bank and Trust in Rapid City, S.D.

KYLE MCCAMY, BS '04, civil engineering, joined the Fargo office of Bonestroo as a client service manager. The company is a St. Paul-based engineering, planning and environmental science firm.

SAKAWDIN MOHAMED, BS '04, economics, was reappointed to the Minnesota Commission on National and Community Service, also known as the Serve Minnesota Commission. The appointment by Gov. Tim Pawlenty is for a three-year term. Mohamed lives in Burnsville, Minn.

ERIC MUNSON, BS '04, athletic training, was named athletic trainer for the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Kernels baseball team for the 2011 season. He was the trainer for the Arkansas Travelers in 2010.

JOSH NELSON, BS '04, construction management, was named associate vice president for the land services sector of Ulteig in Fargo.

GINGER (BORCHARD) PALM, BArch '04, architecture, completed her Architect Registration Examination to become a licensed architect. She is a project architect with OZ Architects in Missoula, Mont. She and her husband, **PHIL**, BA '04, music, live in Clinton, Mont.

JOSEPH SAUVAGEAU, BS '04, agricultural and biosystems engineering, joined Phoenix International of Fargo as a power electronics mechanical design engineer.

MATT BENEDA, BS '05, agricultural economics, is an assistant vice president and agricultural lender at First United Bank's offices in Grafton and Park River, N.D.

TINA (LESMEISTER) BICHLER, BS '05, accountancy, was promoted to supervisor at the Moorhead office of Fiebiger, Swanson, West and Co. A CPA, she specializes in individual and business income tax, financial statement and retirement plan audits.

SARA LEPP, BS '05, child development and family science, is a community relationship manager for the American Cancer Society. Based in Fargo, her duties include volunteer coordination, fundraising, public relations and event planning.

GREG MIDDLESTEAD, BS '05, electrical engineering, joined Appareo Systems in Fargo as an electronics design engineer. He previously worked for Packet Digital.

MATTHEW MILLER, BS '05, political science, joined the development office of The Village Family Service Center in Fargo. He works with corporate donors to obtain funding for The Village.

BRAD PATZNER, BS '05, mass communication, is an advertising sales representative at the Forum of Fargo-Moorhead.

DANIELLE PAULUS, BS '05, business administration, joined Keller Williams Roers Realty Market Center in Fargo.

KRIS PEDERSON, BS '05, environmental design, BArch '05, architecture, joined Meyer Group in Duluth, Minn., as a project manager/partner.

MARK SANDERS, BS '05, mass communication, was appointed vice president for Coaches Choice corporate and athletic sales. The company is in Fargo.

SAMUEL WILKE, BS '05, civil engineering, earned his professional engineering license in North Dakota. A structural engineer for EAPC Architects and Engineers, he is working on projects in Fargo, Bismarck, Devils Lake, Grand Forks and Valley City, N.D.

DANIEL ABELN, BS '06, environmental design, March '07, architecture, earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Nebraska and joined EAPC Architects Engineers in Grand Forks, N.D.

RACHEL BUSH, MS '06, zoology, is the new farm bill biologist in Stutsman County for Pheasants Forever. The position was created through a partnership with the North Dakota Game and Fish Department and U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service. She works out of the Jamestown, N.D., office.

CARTER FONG, BA '06, history education, was named principal of Trinity High School in Dickinson, N.D. He has been teaching social studies and religion at the school.

STACY KEMERLING, BS '06, apparel and textiles, is an administrative assistant at Dawson Insurance in Fargo. She previously was an assistant manager at Maurice's in Marshall, Minn.



BROCK MARTINSON, BS '06, environmental design, March '07, architecture, was selected as a finalist for the Boise (Idaho) Young Professionals Young Leader of the Year. He also was recognized as the program's top Community and Civic Involvement Volunteer. Boise Young Professionals was started by the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce to attract, develop and retain talented area professionals. Martinson works for the CSHQA architecture and engineering firm in Boise.

HEIDI (WESTPHAL) PETERSON, MS '06, nursing, is a nurse practitioner at Minot State University - Student Health. She and her husband, **RYAN**, MS '02, soil science, have three children and live in Minot, N.D.

JOSHUA TOMMERDAHL, BS '06, crop and weed science, was named local sales agronomist at Peterson Farms Seed in Harwood, N.D.



LANCE CAYKO, BS '07, environmental design, March '08, architecture, and **ALEX GORE**, BS '07, environmental design, March '08, architecture, founded F9 Productions, a start-up design firm in Longmont, Colo. They are working on a large custom home, small clinic, multiple virtual-modeling contracts and several graphic design projects.

KATIE LOFF, BS '07, sport and recreation studies, is an associate in client services at Park Co. Realtors of Fargo. She previously worked at Walt Disney World Resort in Orlando, Fla., and the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, Colo.

TREVOR MATHEW, BS '07, sociology, is a customer service representative with Choice Financial in Fargo. He previously was director of food and beverage for the Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks baseball team.

SHERA (HILL) NESHEIM, BS '07, child development and family science, is a children's library assistant at the Bismarck Public Library. She lives in Bismarck, N.D.

DANIEL "AARON" SAWATZKY, BS '07, MS '09, soil science, is an agriculturist for American Crystal Sugar Co. He works in the Drayton, N.D., area.

LAURA (BREKER) WOLF, BS '07, accounting, was promoted to in-charge accountant at Fiebiger, Swanson, West and Co. She has been with the firm since 2008 and works in the Fargo office.

NATHAN BERGMAN, BS '08, management information systems, is a desktop and network support specialist for the Flint Group in Fargo.

TYLER BOSCH, BS '08, construction management, joined Bartlett and West in Bismarck, N.D., as a senior field representative.

KEITH DICKHUDT, BS '08, MA '10, mass communication, was named assistant basketball coach at the University of Arkansas, Ft. Smith. He is in charge of post players and video exchange for the Lions, and assists with recruiting and academics.

TYLER DOELING, BS '08, agricultural systems management, is a loan officer for the Carrington, N.D., branch of Fargo Credit Services of North Dakota. He previously worked for Wells Fargo Bank in Hillsboro, N.D.

AARON FISK, BS '08, civil engineering, is a design engineer for Applied Engineering in Fargo.

LUKE GIBBON, BS '08, mechanical engineering, joined SpaceAge Synthetics of Fargo as a composite engineer.

SARA GRAF, BS '08, environmental design, MArch '09, architecture, joined the Meyer Group in Duluth, Minn.

KERI KOBBERVIG, BS '08, business administration, was hired as an area assistant for the USDA Rural Development office in Valley City, N.D. She works with the Single Family Housing Program.

CHRISTINE MADER, BS '08, management communication, joined the Fargo office of AgCountry Farm Credit Services as a retail finance service specialist.

PHIL REINDL, BS '08, MS '10, computer science, is a development engineer for Intelligent InSites in Fargo.

KIM WEISMANN, MA '08, speech communication, is a communication instructor at Williston State College. She teaches Fundamentals of Public Speaking, Interpersonal Communication and Intercultural Communication.

CHARLIE WOIDA, MS '08, health, nutrition and exercise science, was named assistant director of the University of Montana's Athletic Performance Center.

STEVEN ZOTTNICK, BS '08, business administration, is an electronic banking specialist for the American Bank Center in Bismarck, N.D.

ANDREW BROWN, BS '09, electrical engineering, joined Ulteig in Fargo as an electrical engineer in the company's energy sector.

AMY CHMIELEWSKI, BS '09, environmental design, MArch '10, joined EAPC Architects Engineers in Bismarck, N.D., as an intern architect.

SARAH CHRISTIANSON, BS '09, public relations and advertising, was promoted to special events coordinator for the Red River Valley Fair Association in West Fargo.

SARA DAEDE, BS '09, family and consumer science education, is a teller at the West Fargo branch of Alerus Financial.

BETHANY DESAUTEL, BS '09, business administration, was promoted to personal banking officer at State Bank and Trust in Fargo.

KODEE GARTNER, BS '09, marketing, was named assistant director of chapter services and education for Alpha Gamma Delta fraternity. With 183 campus chapters in the United States and Canada, the fraternity has more than 150,000 members.

KYLE JOHNSON, BS '09, mechanical engineering, is a staff engineer with Triton Systems. He works in the Fargo facility.

ALICIA KLIMPEL, BS '09, apparel and textiles, is an allocator in the planning and allocation department of Vanity in Fargo.

KRISTINA KRAEMER, BS '09, apparel and textiles, joined Vanity in Fargo as a sourcing assistant.

AIMEE KROSHUS, BS '09, accounting, joined RDO Equipment Co. in Fargo as an internal auditor. She previously was with Giddings and Associates in Fargo.

JOSH KUEBER, BS '09, civil engineering, joined Ulteig in Fargo as a graduate engineer in the company's transportation market. He previously worked for Interstate Engineering Inc.

ANGIE (NIEMANN) LAXDAL, BS '09, public relations and advertising, is a member of the public relations team at the Flint Group of Fargo. She is a copywriter and blogger relations specialist.

TYSON LUND, BS '09, accounting, is a staff accountant in the Moorhead office of Fiebiger, Swanson, West and Co. He focuses on business and individual taxation.

REBECCA A. OWEN, BS '09, political science, joined Bank Forward as a personal banker at its Jamestown location.

DANA PENKIVECH, BS '09, pharmaceutical sciences, joined the officiating team of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association as a linesman. He lives in Apple Valley, Minn.

BRITTANY POSEY, BA '09, public relations and advertising, was named membership coordinator for the North Dakota Trade Office in Fargo.

KRISTINA STALOCK, BS '09, management, is an employer account specialist for Discovery Benefits in Fargo. She previously worked in the Clay County Assessor's office.

JUSTIN THOMAS, BS '09, management, is a member of the sales staff at Ressler Chevrolet-Subaru in Mandan, N.D.

MICHAEL VETTER, BS '09, environmental design, MArch '10, architecture, joined the Bismarck, N.D., office of JLG Architects.

MICHAEL VIPOND, BS '09, civil engineering, works for Houston Engineering as a civil engineer in the firm's Fargo office.

STEVEN WAHLER, BS '09, civil engineering, joined the field services division of Bartlett and West in Bismarck, N.D.

DEREK WANG, BS '09, civil engineering, is a civil engineer for Houston Engineering Inc. in Bismarck, N.D.

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BRENT AAKRE, BS '10, civil engineering, is a water resource engineer with Houston Engineering in Fargo.

TYLER AXNESS, BS '10, political science, was named communication and police coordinator for the Freedom Resource Center for Independent Living of Fargo. He previously worked for State Bank and Trust and in the office of U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan.

MATT BOTH, BS '10, construction management, joined Wanzek Construction in Fargo as a project engineer.

TYSON DECKER, BS '10, civil engineering, is a member of the rural and regional water division of Bartlett and West in Bismarck, N.D.

MARISSA ERLANDSON, PharmD '10, pharmacy, joined the staff of Tara's Thrifty White Pharmacy in Oakes, N.D.

JARED FISHER, BS '10, business administration, is a commercial lines customer service representative for First International Insurance in Fargo.

NICHOLAS HAZARD, BAcc '10, accountancy, joined Tax Forward of Fargo as a tax accountant.

ERIC HODGERSON, BS '10, computer science, is a software test engineer at Red River Software in Fargo.

MATT ISLEY, BS '10, civil engineering, joined Houston Engineering in Fargo as a civil engineer.

RHIANNON JOHNSON, BS '10, business administration, is a credit review analyst for the Bank of North Dakota.

KIM KALVODA, BS '10, accounting, is an operations assistant at the Mandan, N.D., office of Starion Financial.

JARVIS KRAMER, BS '10, construction management, is a project engineer for Wanzek Construction in Fargo.

RUSSELL LANDPHERE, BS '10, civil engineering, joined Bartlett and West's rural and regional water division located in Bismarck, N.D.

PHILIP MARKWED, BS '10, civil engineering, was hired in the rural and regional water division of Bartlett and West in Bismarck, N.D.

TRINA MICHELS, MBA '10, business administration, joined Vanity's corporate office in Fargo as a business analyst and replenishment specialist.

ADAM NIES, BS '10, civil engineering, joined Houston Engineering in Fargo as a water resource engineer.

MATTHEW PEABODY, BS '10, computer science and mathematics, joined High Point Networks of West Fargo as a systems engineer. He focuses on Microsoft products, storage consolidation and virtualization.

KIM PIGEON, BEA '10, art, joined the Web department of Network Center Inc. in Fargo as a graphic designer.

KRISTI (BROSZ) REICH, BS '10, civil engineering, joined the rural and regional water division at Bartlett and West in Bismarck, N.D.

TYLER RICHTER, BS '10, accounting, joined the accounting and business advisory firm Widmer Roel PC of Fargo. He is a member of the audit department.

JUSTIN SAILER, BS '10, civil engineering, is an engineer in the municipal group of Kadrmas, Lee and Jackson. He works in the firm's Moorhead office.

AARON SCHMIDT, BS '10, civil engineering, is a civil engineer for the Houston Engineering Inc. office in Bismarck, N.D.

RICHARD SCHULTZ, BS '10, electrical engineering, joined Wanzek Construction in Fargo as a project engineer.

DANIELLE STOLL, BS '10, finance, was named business banking assistant at Western State Bank in West Fargo.

TIMOTHY STONE, MArch '10, architecture, is an intern architect in the government facilities division of Artekta of Fargo and Jamestown, N.D.

ROBYN STROMBERG, BS '10, management, was named a teller at Cornerstone Bank in Fargo.

MICHELE WANDERSEE, BS '10, business administration, is marketing coordinator for Discovery Benefits in Fargo.

ORVILLE EIDEM, 79, served as the director of NDSU bands from 1970 to 1993. He was a member of the College Band Directors National Association, International Trombone Association, International Association of Jazz Educators, American School Band Directors Association and was district governor of Kappa Kappa Psi music fraternity. He was inducted into the North Dakota Music Educators Hall of Fame in 1996. Memorials may be sent to the Orv Eidem Gold Star Band Endowment Fund at NDSU Development Foundation, 1241 N. University Drive, Fargo ND 58102.

VERNON ENGE, 68, MA '80, English, taught English in several North Dakota high schools before moving to Pennsylvania and starting a 24-year career with Merion Publications. He was editor of Advance for Respiratory Care and worked with other medical publications. He lived in Royersford, Pa.

KELLY FETZER, 47, BS '88, mechanical engineering, was part-owner of H&L Rentals and Well Service in Williston, N.D., and founder of Automated Connectors Holdings. He lived in Seabrook, Texas.

JOHN FIBELSTAD, 65, BS '68, animal science, worked for a number of agricultural agencies before becoming a crop adjuster in Bottineau County of North Dakota. He served in the North Dakota National Guard and Army Reserve. He lived in Fargo.

DOUGLAS FLATT, 81, BS '51, civil engineering, was the co-founder president of Cook, Flatt and Strobel Engineers in Topeka, Kan. He was involved with the Kansas State Board of Licensing – Architects, Engineering and Landscape. He lived in Topeka.

KORY FORD, 63, BS '72, English and political science, was a police officer in Aurora, Colo., and later worked for the University of North Texas. He retired in 2010 as assistant to the president of Dallas Christian College. He lived in Grapevine, Texas.

ALVIN FRAGODT, 82, BS '54, MS '75, agriculture, worked for the North Dakota Extension Service, serving as an Extension agent in McLean, Adams and Cass Counties. He later became a 4-H Extension youth specialist until 1987. He then worked for North Dakota Ag Statistics, retiring in 1996. He lived in Fargo.

DONALD FROESCHLE, 84, BArch '51, architecture, formed Froeschle Sons Inc., a commercial construction company in Bismarck, N.D. A member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and Elks, he lived in Bismarck.

PATRICK GLYNN, 65, BS '67, animal science, worked for General Mills in Minneapolis and later owned a taxi. He lived in Minneapolis.

LELAN GOOD, 91, BS '43, agriculture, served 30 years in the U.S. Navy and Naval Reserves, retiring as a lieutenant commander. He had several businesses, including a restaurant, motel, gas station, trucking company and a farming operation. He lived in Sheldon, N.D.

ED GRABER, 85, BS '49 industrial engineering, was a sales representative in the contract glass division of Fargo Glass and Paint Co. A Navy veteran, he was active in many local organizations, including the Chamber of Commerce, Elks Lodge, Downtown Rotary Club and the board of Dakota Hospital. He was a member of the NDSU Athletic Hall of Fame. His family has requested memorials be sent to the Graber Endowment fund at the NDSU Development Foundation.

ROGER GROOTERS, 66, BS '66, physical education, MS '68, counseling and guidance, helped build academic programs for athletes at a number of major universities, including the University of Nebraska, Florida State University, Michigan State University, University of Southern California and Louisiana State University. He lived in Gulf Breeze, Fla.

ROBERT GRORUD, 89, BS '47, chemistry, was a chemist at the North Dakota State Laboratory in Bismarck specializing in liquid chromatography. He lived in Bismarck.

JULIAN GUNDERSON, 80, BS '59, pharmacy, was a pharmacist who held several positions, including vice president, during a 25-year career with Thrifty Drug Stores. An Air Force veteran from the Korean War, he lived in Carver, Minn.

ROBERT HANISH, 86, BS '50, arts and science, worked for The Forum of Fargo-Moorhead from 1951 to 1989. A former Bison football player, he also was a member of Sid Cichy's coaching staff at Shanley High School for many years. He lived in Fargo.

RALPH HANSON, 98, BS '34, arts and science, worked at Hershey Foods for more than 40 years. He lived in Edina, Minn.

DALE HANSSEN, 61, short course '69, agriculture, was a farmer who lived in Niagara, N.D.

JAY HEIDBREDER, 52, BS '81, pharmacy, was part-owner of the Clinic Pharmacy in Devils Lake, N.D., and later worked as a traveling pharmacist in the Minneapolis area. He lived in Savage, Minn.

DUANE HEITZMANN, 77, BS '55, industrial engineering, held a real estate license in California and was an aerospace engineer and project manager for Rocketdyne. He retired in 1996 and moved to Grove, Okla.

RENATA (LANG) HIGHNESS, 49, BS '85, sociology, MBA '87, business administration, was a paraprofessional in the West Fargo and Moorhead school districts. She lived in Moorhead.

GLENN HILL, 77, BArch '56, architecture, was a retired captain in the U.S. Air Force who worked for Texaco Oil co., owned Instant Shade Inc. and ended his career as superintendent of engineering and design at Ashland Oil. An All-America football player at NDSU, he was inducted into the Bison Athletic Hall of Fame in 1975. He lived in Deer River, Minn.

DON HOLEN, 78, BS '57, agriculture, was an agriculture representative for First National Bank in Wahpeton, N.D., and served as a Richland County commissioner for 10 years.

DELORES (MITHUN) HOVLAND, 75, BS '56, arts and humanities, was a music teacher in Great Falls, Mont., and Stillwater, Minn. Her career included teaching music at St. Croix Catholic School for 20 years. She lived in Stillwater.

ILITH (BRANDT) INGEBRETSON, 92, AD '71, nursing, worked as a registered nurse for 15 years. She also served as a nurse for Camp Joy, an inter-denominational religious camp. She lived in Moorhead, Minn.

CURTIS A. JOHNSON, 63, BS '70, pharmacy, was a member of the pharmacy faculty at the University of Kentucky and later at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. He was associate director of the School of Pharmacy's Office of Global Health from 2004-10. He was editor of the Journal of the Pharmacy Society of Wisconsin and owned CKD Insights LLC. He lived in Verona, Wis.

DELORES (AKASON) JOHNSON, 87, BS '47, home economics education, was a teacher in LaMoure, N.D., and then the Norman County Home Extension Agent in Ada, Minn. Later, she farmed with her husband near Ada. She lived in Ada.

ROY JOHNSON, 85, BS '50, agriculture, was a banker in Carrington, N.D., West Fargo and Fargo, including serving as vice president of First Bank of Fargo. A long-time supporter of NDSU who was named an Honored Alumnus in 1992, he held offices in the Alumni Association, Development Foundation and Team Makers. He was active in many organizations, including the Cosmopolitan Club, Rotary Club, American Legion, Cass County Historical Society and VFW. He lived in Fargo. His family requests memorials be sent to the Roy Johnson Scholarship Fund through the NDSU Development Foundation.

CHARLES M. KIEFER, 71, BS '63, agriculture, was a pilot for Braniff International Airline, Air Berlin and Southwest Airlines before retiring in 1999 as a captain. He also refinished antique furniture as a secondary profession. He was an Army veteran who flew combat missions in Vietnam, and earned an Air Medal, Army Aviator Badge, Armed Forces Expeditionary Badge and National Defense Service Medal. He lived in Oro Valley, Ariz.

ROBERT KITTERMAN, 85, BS '50, agricultural engineering, was a farmer in Devils Lake, N.D. Early in his career, he taught veteran agriculture in Medina, N.D., for 15 months.

STEPHEN KLINE, 69, BA '64, music, was a band teacher at Hitterdal-Felton, Minn.; Leonard, N.D.; Frazee, Minn.; and Sioux Falls, S.D. He lived in Moorhead.

CLINTON KOPP, 78, BS '57, agriculture, was executive secretary of the Red River Valley Fair, and later owned the Wild Rice Bar, Roughrider and Western Shop in West Fargo and Shamrock Bar in Casselton, N.D. He lived in Fargo.

TERRANCE KRUEGER, 65, BS '69, soil science, worked for several years in the NDSU soil department before returning to the family farm near Langdon, N.D., until the early 1980s. He lived in Fargo.

JOHN A. LANDON, 52, BS '79, agricultural economics, was senior marketing manager at Novartis Animal Health. He also worked for Pfizer and Smithkline Beecham during his career. He lived in Excelsior, Minn.

EMILY (VUKELIC) LARSON, 82, BS '50, pharmacy, worked at the Quain and Ramstad Clinic in Bismarck, N.D., and the North Dakota State Hospital in Jamestown. She lived in Bismarck.

JERRY LARSON, 63, BS '69, animal science, was the Extension agent for Sargent and Stark/Billings Counties. He also was an Extension horticulturist for the Dickinson Research Extension Center. He lived in Dickinson, N.D.

PETER LAZORENKO, 81, BS '59, agricultural engineering, worked for the John Deere research center in Cedar Falls, Iowa, and later was employed by Pierce Inc. in Grand Forks, N.D. In later years, he managed properties for Loren Pierce. He lived in West Fargo.



CARL A. LEE, 86, BS '49, agricultural engineering, was a veteran of the Korean War and two tours in Vietnam during a 29-year career in the Army. He also worked in transportation engineering in Dallas and Austin, Texas, before moving to Ft. Belvoir, Va., where he lived at the time of his death. He was treasurer of the Northern Virginia Genealogical Society and was a board member of the Fairfax Military Retirement Community.

VICTOR LEGLER, 84, BS '50, agricultural economics, was a farmer who served on the Bloom Township Board and was active in the Land Owners Association of North Dakota. He lived in Jamestown, N.D.

MARJORIE (ANDERSON) LINGENFELDER, 87, BS '45, arts and sciences, lived in Sebastopol, Calif.

DR. DOUGLAS LOBERG, 61, BS '71, zoology, was chair of the anesthesia department at Proctor Hospital in Peoria, Ill. He previously was on staff at St. Francis Medical Center, St. James Hospital and Center for Health. He lived in Peoria.

GORDON LOKKE, 85, BS '49, electrical engineering, worked 30 years with the U.S. Geological Survey. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Sacramento, Calif., and belonged to the Northern Pacific Railway Historical Association, European Train Enthusiasts, Sons of Norway and National Association of Retired Federal Employees. He lived in Roseville, Calif.

DONLEY "BUZZ" LOTVEDT, 69, BS '63, botany, worked for the Bureau of Land Management for 32 years in California, Montana, Idaho and Colorado. He lived in Lakewood, Colo.

MARCUS LUNDE, 87, BS '77, pharmacy, lived in Cooperstown, N.D.

R. MILTON LUSSENDEN, 88, BS '46, agricultural economics, worked for the Extension Service and Farmers Home Administration. He lived in Bismarck, N.D.

RAYMOND MAAS, 73, BS '59, agricultural engineering, founded Environment Control Inc., which had branches in Fargo, Bismarck, N.D., and Rapid City, S.D. He later started Effective Concepts LLC, an energy consulting and lighting sales firm. He lived in Fargo.

LAVONNE (ANDERSON) MARING, 68, BS '64, home economics education, was a teacher at Fargo's Ben Franklin Junior High and later a substitute teacher in several Fargo schools. She had residences in Fargo; Scottsdale, Ariz.; and Detroit Lakes, Minn.

NATHAN MARK, 37, BS '05, nursing, worked for Biolife Plasma Services of Fargo and Grand Forks, N.D. He lived in Grand Forks.

GEORGE MASTAPETER, 86, BS '49, worked for Johnson & Johnson, Ronson, Nabisco, House of Westmore and Syntex Corp. before retiring in 1982. An Army veteran who saw two years of combat in North Africa, Sicily and Italy during World War II, he lived in Waynesboro, Pa.

CHARLES MASTEL, 70, BS '63, business administration, was a salesman and businessman in Beach, N.D., and, later, worked the family farm at Edgeley, N.D.

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KENNETH MAXSON, 72, BS '70, industrial engineering, was involved in the trucking industry for his entire career. A Marine Corps veteran, he lived in Fargo.

PETER METZ, 86, BS '53, civil engineering, was an engineer for the city of Minot, N.D., and later a consultant for Materials Testing Services. An Army veteran, he was a lifetime member of the VFW. He also was a lifetime member of the North Dakota Congress of Parents and Teachers Association. He lived in Minot.

MARK MILLER, 52, BS '81, agricultural economics, was a distributor representative for Helena Chemical Co. He lived in Spencer, Iowa.

LEONARD MOFFITT, 98, BS '35, electrical and electronic engineering, worked for the Corps of Engineers in Louisville, Ky., and engineering firms in that area. He lived in Georgetown, Ind.

CHARLES MOILANEN, 79, BS '53, MS '63, agricultural mechanics, taught at NDSU until he retired in 1992. He volunteered at the American Legion Bike Shop, Hope Lutheran Church and the food pantry. He lived in Fargo.

RONNIE MULDER, 69, BUS '01, university studies, was a member of a bluegrass band named Seth Mulder and the Goose River Boys. He was known as "Grandfather," when the band played at fairs and festivals throughout the Midwest. He was a resident of rural Cummings, N.D.

JEFF MUNIGHAN, 44, BS '89, electrical and electronic engineering, worked for Phoenix International, a John Deere company in Fargo. In 2008, he accepted an assignment with the company in Mannheim, Germany. He lived in Mannheim.

DONNA (HOLCOMB) MYERS, 72, BS '60, home economics, owned Myers CommuniCounsel, a public relations and marketing firm. She received the Silver Anvil Award from the Public Relations Society of America and was named New Jersey Woman Business Owner of the Year in 2000 and National Woman Business Owner of the Year in 2001. She also was a recognized authority on barbecuing and grilling. She lived in Holmdel, N.J.

JANET (LYNGSTAD) NEUENSCHWANDER, 86, BS '46, home economics education, taught home economics at Fessenden, N.D., and later at Minot, N.D., High School. She also did home economics segments for KXMC-TV. She lived in Minot.

RAYMOND NOVAK, 91, BS '41, agriculture, had a 38-year career with North Dakota Farmers Union Insurance, retiring as president of the company. He lived in Ft. Collins, Colo.

RICHARD OSMAN, 78, BS '53, mechanical engineering, was an engineer with Honeywell Inc. in Minneapolis and Colorado Springs, Colo., from 1960-89. He lived in Battle Lake, Minn.

THOMAS OSTENSON, 95, BS '59, MS '66, agricultural economics, retired in 1979 as a professor emeritus from the NDSU Department of Agricultural Economics. In addition to teaching, he worked with the State Legislature in the areas of taxation and reapportionment. After retirement, he moved to Mesa, Ariz.

EVA (SHERWOOD) OWENS, 98, BS '33, textiles and clothing, was a homemaker who also worked at Gate City Building and Loan, as well as Warner and Company Insurance. A loyal Bison football fan since her college days, she lived in Fargo.

MARY (SHERWOOD) PENNEY, 94, BS '38, textiles and clothing, often worked in some capacity with children, many with disabilities. She was married to George Knauer, BS '37, for 51 years. Several years after his death, she married Lt. Gen. (ret.) Howard Penny while living at a retirement home in Peoria, Ariz.

CRAIG PFAU, 59, BS '77, pharmacy, worked for Osco Drug in Chicago before moving to Phoenix as a regional manager. In 1996, he purchased two pharmacies. After selling his stores, he retired to Scottsdale, Ariz.

TANIA (ENGER) POYZER, 37, PharmD '99, pharmacy, was a pharmacist at Thrifty White Drug in Marshall, Minn., before returning to Fargo in 2004.

JULIE POYKKO-POST, 57, MS '82, community and regional planning, was a senior grants coordinator at the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. She was a board member and former president of the Interfaith Housing Coalition, an organization that owns affordable housing for low-income persons. She lived in Lincoln.

BARBARA (BLOOM) RANSON, 60, MS '01, mathematics, lived in Sebeka and Park Rapids, Minn.

JEROME RILEY JR., 44, BS '94, mass communication, had a sales career in Minneapolis and later moved to the Tampa, Fla., area. He lived in Largo, Fla.

BRUCE RITTER, 61, BS '75, pharmacy, was a pharmacist prior to starting his business, Elisa Technologies, which he owned and operated for the past 18 years. He lived in Melrose, Fla.

CLEOJEAN (OLSON) ROSTER, 75, BS '56, home economics education, was an instructor in child development at NDSU and later taught in the Oakes and Beach, N.D., school systems. She also taught classes at the Southeast Vocational School of North Dakota in Oakes. She received the 1979 Outstanding North Dakota Vocational Educator of the Year Award and was named the 1981-82 Outstanding North Dakota Vocational Adviser. A past president of the North Dakota Vocational Home Economic Association, she served on several state and national committees for vocational education. She lived in Holiday Island, Ark.

SCOTT SCHLOSSER, 41, BS '92, electrical and electronic engineering, collected antiques and enjoyed restoring old farm machinery. He lived in Bismarck, N.D.

DEBORAH (SUDRO) SCHRANZ, 97, BS '35, home economics, taught high school in Birnamwood, Wis., and was active in the Wausau Women's Club, Wausau Country Club and American Legion Auxiliary. She lived in Prairie du Sac, Wis.



MARY SCHUH, 27, MS '08, soil science, worked as a soil scientist for the Natural Resource Conservation Service in Fargo, Dickinson and, most recently, in White Sulphur Springs, Mont. A memorial has been set up in her honor; contributions may be sent to the NDSU Development Foundation, attention Jason Wohlman, PO Box 5144, Fargo ND 58105. Indicate the Mary Schuh Memorial Account on the memo line of the check.

RICHARD SHANNON, 71, BS '60, pharmacy, owned Fisher's Pharmacy in Kennewick, Wash. He lived in Kennewick.

MADELEINE (KAISER) SKOGEN, 98, BS '33, MS '60, mathematics education, was a teacher in Sioux Valley, Minn., before teaching mathematics at NDSU in 1943 for the Army Specialized Training Program. She continued teaching mathematics until her retirement in 1978 and earned professor emeritus status. She lived in Fargo.

GREGORY SLETTTO, 52, BS '82, electrical and electronic engineering, worked for Honeywell Defense/Alliant Technology Systems in Blaine, Minn., and in the medical X-ray field in Sioux Falls, S.D. He lived in Sioux Falls.

HENRY SOLBERG, 77, BS '56, agricultural economics, worked for System Development Corp., known as SDC, of Santa Monica, Calif. During his career with the company, he lived in 14 U.S. cities, Okinawa and Iran. He lived in Murrieta, Calif., at the time of his death.

JOSEPH STACH, 86, BS '51, electrical and electronic engineering, had a 30-year career with Bonneville Power Administration. He lived in Portland, Ore.

KENNETH STENE, 63, BS '71, animal science, was a milk tester for the Minnesota Dairy Herd Improvement Association from 1983 to 2001. He later was a truck driver for firms in Ada, Minn.; Detroit Lakes, Minn.; Halstad, Minn.; and Hillsboro, N.D. He lived in Ada.

CHARLES STILES, 91, BS '41, civil engineering, was the executive vice president for Pickands Mather and Co. and worked at the company's taconite mining and process facility of Hoyt Lakes, Minn. He later formed his own consulting company to work in the mining industry. He lived in Rocky River, Ohio.

LAURENCE J. TAYLOR, 90, BS '47, pharmacy, owned and operated Globe Drug in Grand Rapids, Minn. A World War II veteran, he was active in the VFW, American Legion and the Minnesota Pharmaceutical Association. He lived in Grand Rapids.

ELEANOR (BOHN) THOMAS, 87, BS '44, home economics, was a substitute teacher at Pacific Palisades High School and later gained a permanent position at Horace Mann Junior High School in Los Angeles. She was a past president of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association. She lived in Camarillo, Calif.

JAMES TIBERT, 77, BS '61, agricultural economics, opened J.T. Rock Shop in Fargo in 1988. Known as "The Rock Man," he was a Navy veteran who was a member of the VFW and American Legion. He lived in Fargo.

MARVIN TOWBERMAN, 70, BArch '74, architecture, was employed by Jacobson Elevator and Construction Co. and he also worked for a number of architectural and drafting firms in the Bismarck/Mandan area. He lived in Bismarck, N.D.

GENEVIEVE (RAISLER) TRINKA, 86, BS '44, home economics, was a teacher in Lidgerwood, N.D., following her graduation from NDSU. She was a noted baker, seamstress and craftsperson who lived in Detroit Lakes, Minn., at the time of her death.

CHARLES WAGNER, 84, BS '49, mathematics, was an independent broker for life and health insurance. He was twice named Man of the Year by the Fargo-Moorhead Life Underwriters association and received 11 National Quality Awards. He lived in Moorhead.

RICHARD WARD, 75, PhD '73, botany, taught biology in Mehlville, Mo., and Fargo North High School before retiring in 1994. He lived in Fargo.

ARTHUR WICHMANN, 81, BS '53, agriculture, was a decorated Army veteran, who served tours in Europe, Korea and Vietnam. After retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1973, he worked for the Postal Service for 24 years. He resided in Detroit Lakes, Minn., and Mesa, Ariz.

ZIETA (HORGAN) WILKES, 93, FS '35, was a Marine Corps drill sergeant at Camp Lejeune, N.C., and later lived in St. Louis, Chicago, San Juan and Miami during her husband's career with the FBI. She lived in Orlando, Fla.

D. JEANNE WINSLOW, 83, BS '49, home economics education, taught home economics in Hancock, Alexandria and Austin, Minn. A member of the Austin Area Retired Teachers and the Mower County Historical Society, she lived in Austin.

FRANK WODNIK, 86, BS '49, agricultural engineering, retired from the Soil Conservation Service after a 31-year career. He then operated a consulting firm for farmers and ranchers. He lived in Billings, Mont.

WILLIAM ZICK, 55, BS '88, athletic training, was a retired athletic trainer and club house manager for the Tennessee Smokies minor league baseball team. He lived in Dandridge, Tenn.

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recognizes alumni who have achieved distinction in their professional field



William P. Brown
BS 1954, civil engineering
Former president of McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co.



Dan Noble
BA 1981, architecture
BA 1981, architectural studies
BArch 1982, architecture
Principal/director of design, HKS Inc.

HENRY L. BOLLEY ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

recognizes alumni who have attained noted achievements in the area of education as teachers, researchers and/or administrators



John F. Anderson
BS 1957, zoology
MS 1959, entomology
Distinguished scientist, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station

HERITAGE AWARD FOR ALUMNI SERVICE

recognizes alumni who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service to NDSU



Mike and Joanne Warner
Mike: BS 1972, pharmacy
Joanne: BS 1970, physical education
Owners, Warner Farms

HORIZON AWARD

recognizes alumni who have graduated within the past 10 years and have excelled in service to their community and/or professional field



Erik Hatch
BS 2002, speech communication
Director, Homeless and Hungry Realtor, Keller Williams Realty

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If you are interested in gathering friends at Reunion Central, the Alumni Association can assist you by:

- Sending a broadcast e-mail to the group you want to reunite
- Providing information on ndsualumni.com website
- Providing table signange for your group at Homecoming Reunion Central

For more information, contact Marilyn at marilyn@ndsualumni.com or 701-231-6808.

Mark your
calendar now
and plan
"Your NDSU
Reunion."

Twin Cities Career Seminar planned

The Career Center and Alumni Association are partnering to present a Twin Cities Career Seminar on May 17. It is open to all NDSU graduates. Career professionals will be available from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. for one-on-one resume critique appointments. At 4 p.m., there will be seminars on resume enhancement, how to submit winning online applications, interviewing skills and using social media to secure professional opportunities. Seminars will be held at the Double Tree Minneapolis-Park Place.

Register online at www.ndsualumni.com. Contact Stephanie Maier at 701-231-6811 or stephanie@ndsualumni.com.

Alumni City Ambassadors ready to assist

If you are moving to a new city or just landed in a new community, fellow alumni are ready to assist you with information about your new locale. There are 12 NDSU City Ambassadors across the U.S. who invite you to contact them directly to gain valuable community information about schools, neighborhoods, etc. To see the list, go to www.ndsualumni.com and click on "Services" then "NDSU City Ambassadors."

Join alumni and fans in the Twin Cities for the **NDSU vs. University of Minnesota** football game, Saturday, September 24

Friday, September 23

Social events around this game are being finalized. Information will be sent by broadcast e-mail and posted at www.ndsualumni.com.

Saturday, September 24

Bison tailgate party at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds:

- Bring your vehicle, food and beverages.
- Buses and RVs are welcome.

- Shuttles will run from the fairgrounds to TCF Stadium on private game day roads and will bring you back to the fairgrounds after the game.

- Tailgating can begin six hours before game time, but not before 7 a.m. and will end four hours after the game concludes or midnight, whichever comes first.

HOTELS FOR BISON FANS

The Depot has two hotels in one location. When requesting a reservation, note the NDSU Alumni Association room block.

The Depot Renaissance Minneapolis Hotel
225 South 3rd Ave.
Phone: 612-375-1700
Rate: \$119/night plus tax

Residence Inn at The Depot Minneapolis
425 S. 2nd St.
Phone: 612-340-1300
Rate: \$129/ night plus tax, includes four complimentary water park passes

TO STAY WITHIN TWO BLOCKS OF THE TCF STADIUM
(request the NDSU Alumni Association room block)

Radisson University Hotel-Minneapolis
615 Washington Ave. SE
612-379-8888
Rate: \$139/night plus tax

To receive broadcast e-mails, please update your e-mail address at office@ndsualumni.com.

Calendar of Events

May

- 12 Alumni Awards Celebration**
6 p.m., Fargo Hilton Garden Inn
- 14 Undergraduate, Graduate and Professional Commencement**
10 a.m., Fargodome
- 16 Ladd Legacy Celebration**
9-11 a.m., Ladd Hall open house
1-4:30 p.m., Ladd History Symposium
4:30-6:30 p.m., Reception and Alumni Reunion at the Alumni Center
- 17 Twin Cities Career Seminar**
11 a.m.-3 p.m. résumé critiques and 4-7 p.m. seminars, DoubleTree Hotel Minneapolis-Park Place

June

- 28 BisonArts Gala**
5:30 p.m., Fargo

July

- 14 Velva Golf Scramble and Steak Fry**
Velva, N.D.

September

- 24 NDSU Bison vs. Minnesota Gophers**
Minneapolis
- 26-30 Homecoming week**

October

- 1 Homecoming week** continued
- 28 NDSU Harvest Bowl**
5 p.m., Fargo Ramada Plaza and Suites

Alumna goes from NDSU stage to television show executive

NDSU alumna Kari Wigton Clark has an air of youthful exuberance about her. Of course, being married to the man often called “America’s oldest living teenager” doesn’t hurt in that regard.

Clark, BS ’64, physical education, is the wife of Dick Clark, the television icon renowned for such programs as “American Bandstand,” “The \$10,000 Pyramid” and “TV Bloopers and Practical Jokes.”

Perhaps not surprisingly, Clark’s recollections of her days at NDSU have a connection to show business.

“I was always in the plays when I was at NDSU, but never the lead. I was one of the background singers and dancers. It was fun for me, but I was never one of the stars,” Clark said. “I remember being in ‘Damn Yankees’ and ‘South Pacific,’ because whenever I see them on Broadway, I still remember all the words to the songs.”

For Clark, the NDSU experience was more about discovering who she was, instead of starting down a defined career path. She described it as a time of transition, a time of life she enjoyed. “College was a definite growing up period for me. What you major in does not necessarily mean you will end up doing that for your work. At that age, you don’t know what direction life is going to take you,” Clark said.

That was certainly true in her case. After graduation, she was a staff member in the Washington, D.C., office of Sen. Quentin Burdick and later for Rep. Wayne Hayes of Ohio.

Then, after three years in the nation’s capital, Clark wanted a change of pace. She and her former NDSU roommate, Betty Bitterman, decided to follow the lead of President Lyndon Johnson and his wife, Lady Bird. At the time, the country’s First Family took part in highly publicized “Discover America First” trips to the nation’s forests and parks.



“Betty and I traveled for one whole year, doing the Discover America thing. We drove zigzag, up and down America,” Clark said, noting Bitterman remains her best friend today. “We ended up in Los Angeles, where I went to work for Dick. Betty got a job with Joey Bishop and later Merv Griffin. So, we both ended up in show business.”

She joined Dick Clark Productions of Los Angeles as a production assistant in 1969.

“When I first started, I worked on ‘American Bandstand.’ I used to watch the show when I was in high school, of course. But, back then I didn’t pay that much attention to Dick. I liked Bobby Darin and Frankie Avalon,” Clark remembered with a laugh. “I identified with the dancers on the show, especially Justine, who was one of the few blondes.”

In 1977, she and Dick were married. In the years that followed, she worked on the production of such shows as “Dick Clark’s New Year’s Rockin’ Eve,” “Academy of Country Music Awards” and “The American Music Awards,” which was her personal favorite. She held the title of vice president of administration.

“What’s fun about working for a production company is every show has a new staff. We could have anywhere

from 100 to 1,000 people at the company. We were a very active company and really, really busy,” Clark said. “Dick and I like work, and we like to be together. Since we always were together, we’d be equally tired or equally hungry. We shared so much, and we’d also be equally excited about the shows and ratings.”

Along the way, she got to meet and know an array of celebrities, ranging from Michael Jackson to Alice Cooper to Gene Autry. “There have been a lot of interesting people in Dick’s life. I guess you’d say pretty much everybody famous in the music world has been part of his life,” she said. “We’re friends with a handful of them. We like real people, not the ones who keep their on-stage act going.”

Clark’s life in the entertainment business does have its perks. One she particularly enjoys is the Golden Globe Awards show, a presentation she regularly attended with her mother, Esther Wigton, before her death in July 2004.

“My mother was so excited to meet stars like Betty White and Tom Hanks. She’d say, ‘Ooh, I touched Tom Hanks.’ She was my date because Dick worked interviewing everybody as they came in,” Clark said. “When my mother went back to Fargo, she’d have many stories to tell. I always think of her when I go to the Golden Globes.”

The Clarks sold the production company in 2002, and Dick suffered a stroke in 2004. But, the couple keeps working.

“I’ve enjoyed show business,” Clark said. “I don’t think I’ll ever retire. Dick hasn’t, so I don’t think I have any choice. We are a team.”

The Clarks live in Malibu, Calif.

Novel examines frontier life in Dakota Territory

It was a time for the hardy and the hopeful – an era wrapped in both disaster and desire. The setting is Dakota Territory in the late 19th century, and it’s the backdrop for a new novel by NDSU alumna Brenda K. Marshall.

The novel, “Dakota, Or What’s a Heaven For” published by the North Dakota Institute for Regional Studies, was celebrated Nov. 4 with a book release party at the Plains Art Museum in Fargo.

In the novel’s 473 pages, Marshall paints a panoramic view of Dakota, while exploring frontier life fraught with drama and controversy.

“The central theme is a woman who marries into a family in order to stay close to the real object of her desire, which is her new husband’s sister. Her father-in-law becomes a Bonanza farmer and moves the entire family to Dakota Territory,” explained Marshall, BA ’75, English. “We see the woman, Frances Bingham, fall in love with Dakota and begin to believe in possibilities as she watches people homestead and start new lives. She imagines a life for herself heretofore considered impossible.”

Marshall, who teaches part-time in the English department at the University of Michigan, wrote the novel during a nine-year period. During that time, she carefully researched the history of Dakota Territory from 1876 to 1883 to ensure an accurate timeframe of events in her book.

The novel’s character development, however, is a more personal matter. It comes from the perspective of a native of the Red River Valley.

“I grew up in Absaraka with a population of 32, at least at that time,” said Marshall, who earned a doctorate from the University of Massachusetts and has lived in eight states during her adult life. “All of us are very much formed by where we are raised. There are such things as regional psyches, and the notion of being a North Dakotan is always primary with me.”

But, what does it mean to be a North Dakotan? Marshall has some clear ideas.

“If you are from the Dakotas, you have a tendency to think of yourself as tough and independent,” she said. “We like our winters because it keeps the riff-raff out; we think we are the only ones who can live through them. We have a sense of self-sufficiency, but also a sense of defensiveness.”

That concept is a central theme of “Dakota, Or What’s a Heaven For,” intricately woven into a multi-tiered tale about the Northern Pacific Railroad, frontier politics, Bonanza farms and the difficult life of early homesteaders.

“This book brings North Dakota history to life in a way like no other. The energy and intrigues of the frontier are all here, ringing as true as a bell across the years,” said Thomas Riley, director of the Institute

for Regional Studies and dean of the NDSU College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Marshall previously wrote another novel, “Mavis,” published by Ballantine in 1996 and an academic book, “Teaching the Postmodern: Fiction and Theory,” in 1992. She already has a new novel under way – she has compiled two years of notes and 50 pages of prose that may or may not end up in the final piece.

“I like being in the classroom; that’s why I teach. But, being in the classroom one semester out of two is pretty darn sweet,” Marshall said when asked about her plans for the future. “I see myself first and foremost from now on as someone who writes fiction.”

Marshall and her longtime partner, Valerie, live on a 45-acre property near Ann Arbor, Mich. They have two horses, two dogs and a cat.

“Dakota, Or What’s a Heaven For” is available at www.ndsu.edu/ahss/ndirs. Additional information about the book and author can be found at www.brendamarshallauthor.com.



Two named to fraternity Hall of Fame

Two NDSU alumni have been inducted into the Alpha Gamma Rho Hall of Fame. Jack Brown, BS ’60, agricultural education, MS ’62, agricultural economics, and Allan R. Johnson, BS ’68, agronomy, received the fraternity’s highest honor during ceremonies Aug. 14 in St. Louis, Mo.



During his career, Brown worked to form the Federal National Mortgage Corp., also known as Farmer Mac, a sister company of Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae. He retired in 2000. Brown was a member of the fraternity’s Heritage Club and Sayre Allocation

Committee, and he also served as director of the Educational Foundation. He lives in Goodyear, Ariz.



Johnson has worked for a number of agricultural publications, a public affairs firm and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, where he is senior adviser to the Under Secretary of USDA Rural Development. He is a former regional vice president for the fraternity, and served on its national board of directors for six years. Johnson was Alpha Gamma Rho’s Grand President from 1992-94. He lives in Camdenton, Mo.

Alpha Gamma Rho has 55,000 members nationwide.

Council established for recent graduates

The following nine alums have been named to the initial GOLD (Graduates of the Last Decade) Council. Their role will be to share perspectives and provide feedback to the Alumni Association board of directors regarding outreach efforts to recent graduates.



Melissa Mallett Bohnsack
BS 2007, English education



Ryan D. Johnson
BS 2000, management information systems



Kristi (Beckstrom) Mateus
BA 2001, mass communication



Justin Miedema
BS 2007, environmental design, and MARCH 2008, architecture



Jared Miller
BS 2004, business



Andrew Onstad
BS 2004, mechanical engineering



Clara (Presser) Osowski
BMus 2008, music



David Smith
BS 2005, political science



Tadd Tobkin
BS 2001, mechanical engineering