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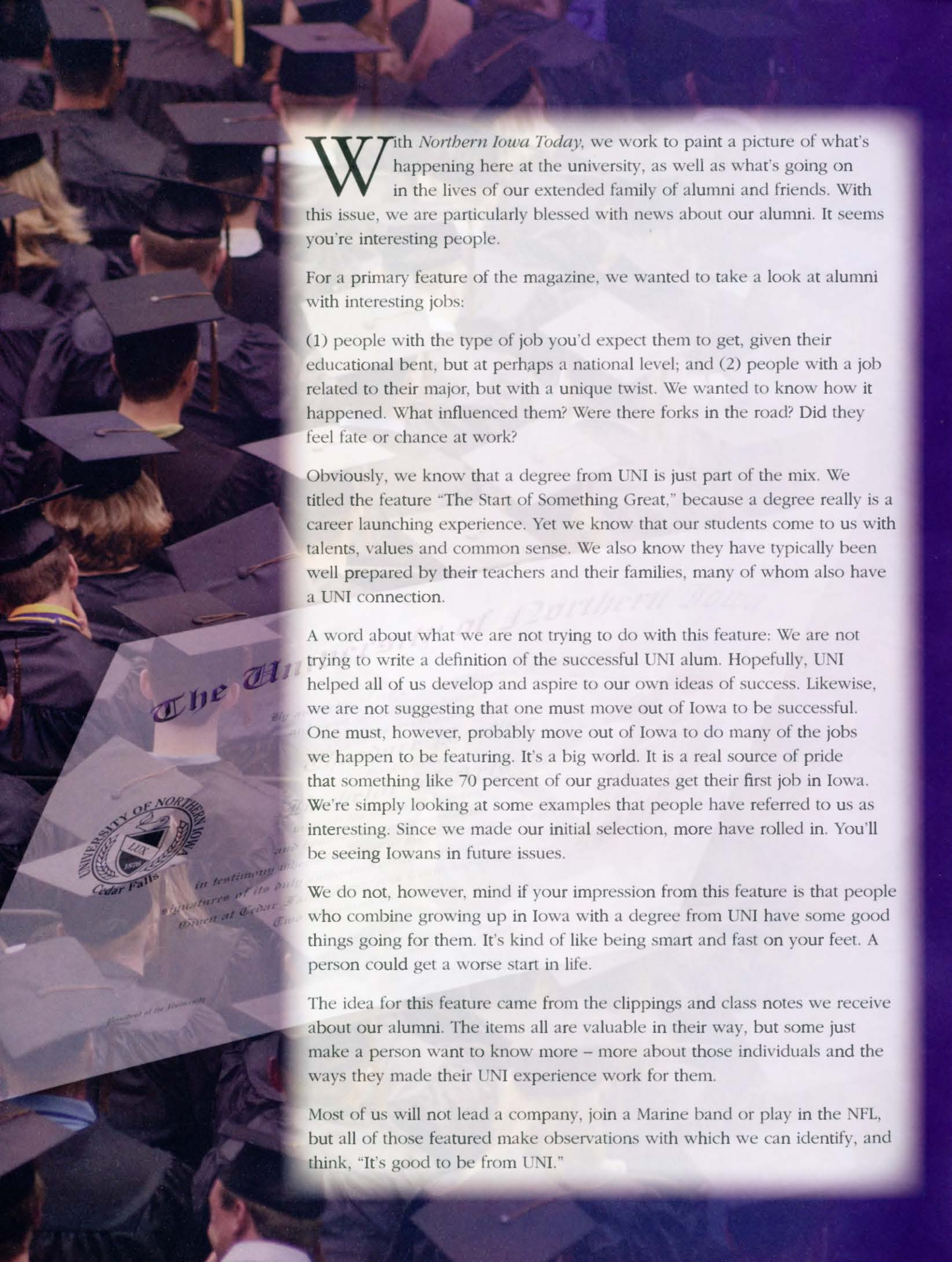
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*Given at Cedar Falls, Iowa, this Tenth day of May,
Two Thousand Three.*



something great



With *Northern Iowa Today*, we work to paint a picture of what's happening here at the university, as well as what's going on in the lives of our extended family of alumni and friends. With this issue, we are particularly blessed with news about our alumni. It seems you're interesting people.

For a primary feature of the magazine, we wanted to take a look at alumni with interesting jobs:

(1) people with the type of job you'd expect them to get, given their educational bent, but at perhaps a national level; and (2) people with a job related to their major, but with a unique twist. We wanted to know how it happened. What influenced them? Were there forks in the road? Did they feel fate or chance at work?

Obviously, we know that a degree from UNI is just part of the mix. We titled the feature "The Start of Something Great," because a degree really is a career launching experience. Yet we know that our students come to us with talents, values and common sense. We also know they have typically been well prepared by their teachers and their families, many of whom also have a UNI connection.

A word about what we are not trying to do with this feature: We are not trying to write a definition of the successful UNI alum. Hopefully, UNI helped all of us develop and aspire to our own ideas of success. Likewise, we are not suggesting that one must move out of Iowa to be successful. One must, however, probably move out of Iowa to do many of the jobs we happen to be featuring. It's a big world. It is a real source of pride that something like 70 percent of our graduates get their first job in Iowa. We're simply looking at some examples that people have referred to us as interesting. Since we made our initial selection, more have rolled in. You'll be seeing Iowans in future issues.

We do not, however, mind if your impression from this feature is that people who combine growing up in Iowa with a degree from UNI have some good things going for them. It's kind of like being smart and fast on your feet. A person could get a worse start in life.

The idea for this feature came from the clippings and class notes we receive about our alumni. The items all are valuable in their way, but some just make a person want to know more – more about those individuals and the ways they made their UNI experience work for them.

Most of us will not lead a company, join a Marine band or play in the NFL, but all of those featured make observations with which we can identify, and think, "It's good to be from UNI."

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The start of something great

Great accomplishments are a regular occurrence in the careers of UNI alumni. The volume of compelling success stories is simply overwhelming. What distinguishes these stories from each other is not so much level of achievement as the remarkable ways in which our graduates' careers unfold.

Many UNI graduates excel in areas directly related to their undergraduate degrees. In some cases those talents find outlets in unique jobs and fascinating arenas. Other alumni have taken calculated risks, seized upon timely opportunities or made critical decisions at crossroads in their careers. Both examples demonstrate the value of a strong educational foundation. Hence, Louis Pasteur's assertion that chance favors the prepared mind.

In this issue we visit with alumni whose career paths are models of those criteria. Their individual routes to success are quite different. Yet, clearly apparent is a common belief in the value of education and a commitment to lifelong learning.

by Denton Ketels

Remembering UNI

"I had a freshman marketing class with a professor named Gordon Pomeroy. He'd say 'Never give direction to the marketplace. Instead, *take* direction from the marketplace.' I've never forgotten that. If you take your direction from what people want, it will make your life a lot easier."

To students today

"Try to come away with a big idea from each of your classes—something that will remain with you. Eventually, you'll have to rely on what you've learned. College gave me a great foundation, including my 'general ed' classes. I'm amazed at how things that seemed irrelevant to me then are completely relevant today."

At the end of his senior year, Bill Shaw was already employed by a cookware company and totally focused on his sales career. He became the company's international sales manager after only one year and its youngest division manager by age 24. It wasn't long before he started Shaw Consulting, a firm that helped large companies do things like consolidate acquisitions into billion-dollar enterprises.

In 1988, Bill decided to further his education by pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Wisconsin. It was then that he discovered how focused on work he had been a decade earlier. "They told me I had an incomplete on my undergraduate transcript," Shaw said. "I knew I'd missed a couple of finals at UNI, but I thought I'd graduated. It was kind of embarrassing."

Bill Shaw



Nearly 10 years after his graduation ceremony, Shaw retook six class hours and officially completed his double major in marketing and business education from UNI. "The people at UNI were great in helping me get that done," he said.

Shaw proceeded to excel in various sales and manufacturing capacities, but it was a business model that he developed in his spare time that turned heads. It was so good that Southern Progress Corporation, a Time Warner Company, bought the intellectual property rights from Shaw in 2001. Today, the branding phenomenon known as Southern

Living at Home is approaching a \$200 million company. Shaw is its vice president of marketing and business development.

"Southern Living at Home is one of the most successful start-up businesses in recent memory at Time Warner, Inc.," says an internal company memo. Indeed. Revenues of \$133 million during 2003 ensure the validity of that statement through 2004.

Shaw says the company's products had "instant credibility" with *Southern Living* magazine readers—mostly upscale females—who had been asking where they could buy items shown in the fashionable periodical. Meanwhile, Southern Living at Home's Web-based marketing strategy was backed by solid capital investment. Nearly 100 percent of SLAH's orders are coming via the Internet, placed by 32,000 sales representatives. Operating costs are lower and delivery is faster.

"It's an old-fashioned, fundamental business practice," Shaw said. "We use technology not to replace people, but to empower them and increase productivity."

More start-ups may be on the drawing board, but Shaw wants to try the vocations he had in mind when he first went to college, before his attention was diverted by the need to work his way through school. "I originally wanted to teach school and coach football," Shaw said, "but the recession in the '70s meant that traditional summer jobs weren't available. So I took the job selling cookware and found that I could still teach and coach by leading a team of people.

"I'd like to keep working, but spend less time at it so I could move toward my original goal of teaching and coaching, probably on a voluntary basis...kind of take it full circle."

New York, Boston and San Francisco can lay temporary claim, but Monticello, Iowa, will forever be hometown to one of the world's most distinguished sopranos. And because Sheri Greenawald found her way to a summer music camp at UNI, she will always have some purple and gold in her veins.

Sheri wanted to pursue a music major after high school, but it was the influence of UNI professor Charles Matheson that attracted her to State College of Iowa (UNI today) in 1965. Here she began a singing career that would span 30 years. Greenawald has sung featured roles with the San Francisco Opera, the Metropolitan Opera, Lyric Opera of Chicago, Venice's La Fenice, the Munich State Opera, as well as venues in Paris, Seattle, Los Angeles, Houston, the Netherlands, Naples and St. Louis.

In May 2002, Greenawald was named director of the San Francisco Opera Center, prestigious training wing of the San Francisco Opera. She oversees the Merola (pronounced MARE-o-la) Program—the country's first opera company training program—and the Adler Fellowship Program. It's a demanding environment. Of the 800 singers who recently auditioned for Merola, 23 were accepted.

Greenawald attends to administrative priorities, but she is first and foremost a performer. That is the reason she was recruited. "I didn't actually apply for the job," Greenawald said. "Pam Rosenberg (general director) wanted a performer to run it. I think that is a trend you're going to see more of—performers teaching performers."

It is mildly ironic that Greenawald is in charge of teaching some of the best young performers in the world. Her undergraduate degree at UNI was

that of a non-teaching music major. It was of no concern to her at the time. She wanted to perform.

"Music and literature were my two great loves, and I sort of blindly and naively pursued my bliss," Greenawald said. "My brother always told me 'If you don't hitch your wagon to a star, you won't reach any stars.' He was right. It takes a certain leap of faith."

Greenawald's leap was to go to New York and pursue every performance opportunity she could find. She worked in advertising to support herself, but friends recognized her immense talent and convinced her to enter the Professional Studies Program at the Juilliard School of Music.

As her singing career flourished, Greenawald discovered she enjoyed teaching privately. She has since built an impressive teaching resume, including an Artist in Residence appointment at UNI. Before coming to the Opera Center, she was on the faculty at Boston Conservatory as a professor of voice and opera.

Greenawald says she wants students to move beyond the mundane aspects of stage craft in order to "release their creative spirits." It makes sense that a performer with tons of real world experience could help them do that. "If you're gonna' teach, you better know what it is you're teaching," she said, revealing her skill at succinct Midwestern vernacular.

Her approach to balancing budgets is similarly clear-cut. "I don't think it's all that complicated, really," she said, her voice grinning. "Intelligence doesn't hurt, but mostly it's just common sense. And being an Iowan, I feel like I have a tremendous amount of common sense."

Sheri Greenawald



Remembering UNI

"I had good theory, and chorus was invaluable. I had very tough teachers there, like Jane Birkhead. I think of that when I see what kids are getting away with at conservatories today."

To students today

"If you really have love and devotion for something, go for it. Hitch your wagon to that star. Too many people are doing things because they think they're supposed to be doing them."

The start of something great

Kris Aschbrenner wasn't sure what he would do after graduation in December of 2001. The MIS major from Waterloo had expected his internship to turn full-time, but the company was cutting back. It might have been the best thing that ever happened to him.

This February, Kris is at Daytona International Speedway. His teammates—Terry Labonte, Jeff Gordon, Jimmie Johnson, Brian Vickers and Kyle Busch— get a lot of TV time driving stock cars for Hendrick Motorsports. Aschbrenner's job is

not on the track, but the action is just as fast. He has the distinction of being the first network administrator to travel with a NASCAR team.

Kris Aschbrenner



For the uninitiated, auto races are won by fractions of seconds these days. Engineers and crew chiefs continuously analyze data during competition in search of a critical advantage. When the green flag drops for the Daytona 500, Hendrick's four-car team will be depending on a wireless Internet communications network with 40 laptops, instant messaging, voice communication, and satellite access to the shop in Charlotte, N.C.

It had better work.

Thanks to Aschbrenner, it does.

In 2003, Hendrick Motorsports placed two drivers in the top five in NASCAR's elite Winston (now Nextel) Cup division. It won the '03 NASCAR Busch Series title, too. Add five previous Cup

championships and three truck series titles, and you begin to see why these guys are top-of-the-heap.

"We're the team by which everyone else measures themselves," said Aschbrenner. He calls himself the "firefighter" on a seven-person IT team. He's also the set-up man. Everything at the track that is networked, electronic or audio-visual is Kris' domain.

Aschbrenner first aspired to be a physical therapist, but a few programming classes lit the fire that sent him to UNI. His older brother, Matt, a NASCAR crew member, influenced his move to Charlotte. Kris took the leap, got an interview, and worked on a temporary basis until he permanently joined the 400 employees that power the Hendrick operation.

"If you'd told me I'd be working with guys like Terry and Jeff and Jimmie, I would not have believed it," Aschbrenner said. "Everybody I work with here is absolutely wonderful. Mr. Hendrick is real down to earth. He knows how to get business done, yet he treats people with respect and gives them what they need. If there's a model manager that others could follow, it would be him."

Someday, Aschbrenner may want to get off the road and work in-house. For now, he'll be at every race through November, setting up on Friday morning and fighting "fires" all weekend. It should be a great season for everybody but the competition.

"We're going for a championship this year," Aschbrenner said.

Influences

"My brother was a big influence. People told him he was crazy when he said he was going to work in NASCAR, and in three years he was there. My parents' influence has been the support and values that they gave me. And I thank God every day for the blessings I've received. Nothing would be possible without Him."

To students today

"Work hard, like it's an audition every day. Meet as many people as you can. Don't burn bridges. Keep your mind open and don't get discouraged when things don't go your way. Stay goal-oriented, and you'll be OK."

It was obvious from the time she was a young girl that Susan Rider would be a player. Still, no one knew she would have the ear of our nation's president on a regular basis.

Rider, a Cedar Falls native and '89 graduate, is part of "The President's Own" United States Marine Band. Established by an Act of Congress in 1798, its primary mission is to provide music for the president of the United States and the commandant of the Marine Corps.

In seven years with the group, Rider has toured every region of the country. She has performed at presidential inaugurations and entertained dignitaries from around the world. Her featured performance at Wolf Trap's season opening concert in 2002 drew an ovation and encore from more than 6,000 people. We proudly recall that "The President's Own" performed at our own Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center last November.

"I feel like I'm part of something really special," Rider said, "This is the same band that accompanied President Lincoln on the train to the Gettysburg Address." Modern-day chief executives share that sense of history and camaraderie with "The President's Own." Rider said, "The presidents are always so gracious to us, and they really

become friends to the band."

Rider developed an appreciation for music at a young age. Her father (UNI chemistry professor Paul Rider) listened to jazz and classical music, and her older

brother played trumpet. When it came time for her to pick an instrument in the 4th grade, Susan chose alto saxophone. Too bad there were already enough sax players. "The band director put a trumpet in my hands," she said.

"I was exposed to great music, and I got to know who the great trumpet players were," she said. Among her chief influences were Phil Smith, Bud Herseth and Tim Morrison. She cited Louis Armstrong and Doc Severinsen as musicians who shaped her ideas about jazz.

After earning a degree in music performance from UNI, Rider went to Indiana University for a master's in performance and doctorate in brass pedagogy and music literature. Ray Cramer, director of bands at IU, told her about the highly regarded Marine Band. He urged her to try out for it.

Susan Rider



"I didn't really have a military band in mind, but I valued his opinion," Rider said. She made it on her second try—not easy, given the lofty caliber of players and the group's low attrition. "The President's Own" is a permanent duty station, so it can take a retirement to create an opening.

Gunnery Sergeant Rider sees compatibility between music and the military. "The two worlds are similar in the discipline it takes to do both jobs," she said, "but we lead a life that's very different from 99 percent of the military. Our job is to perform in a band. There are no other collateral duties. We are unique in that respect."

"The President's Own" is the only military band in which membership precedes enlistment. Outstanding, versatile musicians are required for its vast repertoire. Its multiple musical personalities include those of a concert band, dance band and chamber orchestra. In short, it's a musician's dream.

"The people I work with are an extraordinary group, and they have an extraordinary reputation around the world," Rider said. "There aren't many comparable jobs in the civilian world. I'm lucky."

To students today

"In my education there was not one defining moment, but a series of baby steps. My achievements built upon each other, as long as I gave 100 percent effort to what I was doing at that moment. It takes perseverance in what you're doing. If something doesn't work out right away, it doesn't mean that down the road it won't. Take every experience and make the most of it."

The start of something great

After a hectic media day for Super Bowl XXXVIII, New England Patriots wide receiver Dedric Ward relaxed in his hotel room and savored the moment. Seven years in the National Football League had finally earned the former Panther a chance to participate in the biggest sporting event on earth.

Dedric Ward



Photo courtesy of the New England Patriots

"The Super Bowl is really a unique experience," Ward said. "It's so difficult to get to this point. This is our reward. There's no bigger stage. I feel fortunate and blessed to have this opportunity."

The fact that he's participating in a world championship

game strikes Ward as "evidence that there's a higher purpose for everybody." He was actually cut by the Patriots after training camp last summer. He went to Baltimore and was released again, just as the Patriots called him back to say they needed veteran leadership for their young receivers. Ward said, "The coaches value my opinion on the different looks we're getting out there, and they're confident they can put me in if there's an injury. My role is almost like a player-coach situation."

Ward was a four-year starter

and twice first team

all-American for UNI from 1993-1996. He is the second leading career receiver in NCAA 1-AA football behind Jerry Rice. A standout player at

Cedar Rapids Washington High School, Ward was heavily recruited by Division I programs. He admits UNI was not his first choice. It was the perseverance of Panther coaches that won him over. "Coach (Terry) Allen ('89-'96) and his staff were there for me the whole way. They told me I'd be a great fit for their system and gave me the confidence that, if I worked hard, I could get to the next level."

Ward gives special credit to Bob Kincaid, who was an academic advisor for UNI athletes during Dedric's college career. "Coach Kincaid was a confidant—kind of like a father figure to me," Ward said. "He was a disciplinarian, but you could sit down and talk to him about classes and personal issues. He'd work with you. He taught us that academics were pretty important."

Support from his tight-knit family helped Ward through the struggles of his younger years, when less positive influences could have prevailed. "There is pressure to get involved with drugs and alcohol, whether it's criminal or not," Ward said, "It would have been very easy to take that route. I was on the verge. Because of my understanding of what my values were, or whether it was intuition, I was able to steer clear."

Ward also had to overcome doubts about whether his 5'9", 185-pound frame could survive big time football. "The way I looked at it, it was a motivational tool to prove the stereotype wrong," he said. "Never let anybody tell you that you can't succeed."

It's a message that Ward delivers to students through a scholarship in his name at his high school alma mater. He returns to Cedar Rapids each year to sponsor a football clinic and a charity basketball game that help perpetuate the award. "It's an athletic scholarship that stresses academics," Ward said. "Without strong academics an athlete may never make it out of high school."

Someday when Ward hangs up his cleats he'll likely put his psychology degree to work rather than coaching in college or the NFL. "Definitely, with my psychology background I can see myself working in a school system with the younger generation. I'm more interested in working with kids when they're still able to take criticism and teaching."

For now, the Patriots are favored over the Carolina Panthers in Super Bowl XXXVIII. Life is good. A Super Bowl Ring would be even better. Either way, there will be a celebration. "I'm not a big party-type guy," Ward said. "My family and friends are coming. I think they're more excited than I am. I just want to enjoy those people and take in as much as I can, because you never know if you'll have the opportunity again."

Remembering UNI

"I learned a lot about who I was from my coaches and from my professors. I understand the value of academics. There will be life after football. I feel very fortunate to have gone to a program that's not only first class athletically, but first class academically."

One of Iowa's educational advantages is the number of great teachers who learn the art at UNI and return the investment to its citizens. Thanks to Diane Jensen, Iowa's good fortune has been shared with people in such disparate locations as Tokyo, Colorado Springs, Nassau in the Bahamas, and Malta.

This spring, Diane is teaching at the International School of Estonia, in Northern Europe. Her students include children of diplomatic personnel

and high-level business people. They are kids who, Jensen says, need the flexibility and tolerance to "survive moving around in the world."

"The students' education level is quite high, and their knowledge level is quite high," Jensen said. "They have to be able to handle changes and be more adaptable, since many of them will become leaders in their countries and in their business."

Jensen became sold on teaching abroad during her senior year, after she heard a speaker from UNI's Overseas Placement Program. Graduating in 1985, the elementary education major mulled over the idea while teaching in-state for four years. Her first application to UNI's International Recruiting Fair sent her to Japan for what she thought would be a few months. She stayed three years. She has returned to the fair twice more.

Enthusiasm for teaching is in

Jensen's blood. A fifth generation teacher, her mother and grandmother attended UNI when it was known as Iowa State Teachers College and Iowa State Normal School, respectively. Foreign exchange students were a regular part of the Jensen household while Diane was growing up.

To augment her considerable experience, Jensen completed a master's degree in education, curriculum and supervision from the University of Iowa. She is an advocate of the International Baccalaureate Organization (IBO), which works with schools to develop challenging programs of international education and rigorous assessment. Estonia's school has just become authorized in IBO programs.

Jensen is pleased about Estonia's authorization, having been headmaster of the IBO Primary Years Programme in the Bahamas. She said, "The PYP uses best teaching practices in all subjects. It is strong in traditional disciplines and emphasizes a commitment toward becoming principled, caring, well-balanced people. Basically, it teaches a child what it means to be a good citizen of the world."

While her future plans are definite, her itinerary is not. "I have a firm desire to stay with international schools, but not necessarily overseas," Jensen said. "Maybe at some point I'll come back to the States."

Diane Jensen



To students today

"UNI can give you a good basis of education, but it does not end your learning. We can continue to learn throughout our lives if we approach all our activities and the people we meet with open minds, a caring attitude and the willingness to take risks."

Chris Pirillo is the original geek. He's been called the "Internet guru of our times," and said to be "at the center of the digital universe." He's the most omnipresent Chris in cyberspace. Do a Google search for "chris" and see for yourself.

Radio and Tech TV host, author, and the force behind technology resource site lockergnome.com, Pirillo was evangelizing about the Internet way before the dot.com boom. He was blogging before anyone knew what it was. Lately he's been screaming at the top of his lungs about RSS (Real Simple Syndication), the technology that he says will make e-mail obsolete.

A word of warning: One of Earth's most opinionated people, Chris also owns the quickest jawbone. It projects a razor wit and a personality that can overwhelm. He'll cover six topics in a single sentence and has more tangential projects than the population of Altoona, his hometown. His promo claims he "drinks coffee to slow down." If you are predisposed to political correctness, you should click with caution. "I've made a career out of a personality disorder," he jokes.

Behind the scat-speaking, wild-man persona there is method to the madness. "When I started in radio, I was scared," Chris said. "Not having a live audience was difficult for me. But I soon found that people didn't care as much about delivery as they did personality."

Mostly, people care about content, and Pirillo's lockergnome.com is where people of all technological persuasions go to get it. "The Lockergnome brand reaches a million people every month," he said. Lockergnome E-books are available on-site, as well as links and search tools to keep the ordinary laygeek busy for days at a time.

Pirillo currently lives in Los Angeles, where he and his agent are working to arrange a network or cable show. It may fulfill his desire to "bridge the disconnect between the digital world and the older world." *Online! The Book*, which he co-authored with John C. Dvorak and Wendy Taylor, was released in November. Dvorak is an editor with PC Magazine and winner of eight national awards from the Computer Press Association.

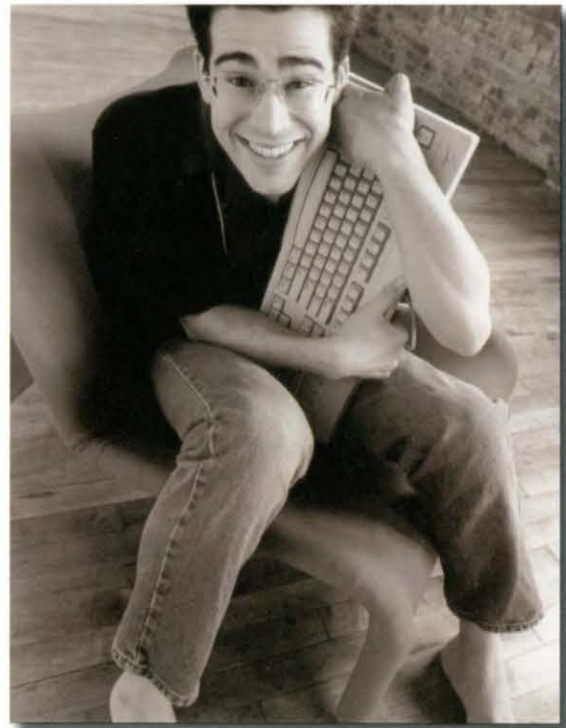
"I have a great deal of respect for John," Chris said. "He's like the Andy Rooney of technology, real curmudgeony with lots of quirks. I couldn't believe it when he called me. It's the equivalent of Tom Brokaw approaching a local TV anchor about a project."

Pirillo says he gets a great deal of pleasure helping people get the most out of technology. After all, he started out as an English education major. Four student teaching experiences later, he converted to industrial organizational psychology and graduated in 1996. "I'm still teaching," he said. "It's just with a keyboard."

Action is the key word in Pirillo's master plan. "Anybody can do it, but you have to take action," he said. "That's the one thing that holds society back. America suffers from somebody-else-will-do-it syndrome. It's O.K. to have spirit.

"Sometimes you have to ignore sage advice and take a calculated risk," Pirillo said. "What you can't do is ignore your instincts. There's a fine line between stupid and genius. People who make fun of me end up saying 'why didn't I think of that?' Well, maybe they did, but they just didn't do it."

Chris Pirillo



To students today

"If you're going to lead by example there has to be an element of calculated risk. You've got to challenge ideas and stir the pot by taking action."

Using technology to improve teacher quality

There's no doubt technology is an important feature of 21st century classrooms and UNI has taken the lead in helping teachers use it to the best advantage. The new InTime (Integrating New Technologies Into the Methods of Education) program is an online professional development program that shows teachers how to integrate technology into the classroom.

Created by the University of Northern Iowa College of Education, with a \$2.3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education, the program offers a free Web site with a database of more than 540 videos featuring 60 teachers and accompanying

- teacher educators creating case studies,
- education students learning about effective teaching methods,
- current teachers searching for new ideas and professional development,
- professional developers seeking ways to demonstrate good teaching and technology integration,
- and administrators developing teaching quality efforts and mentoring programs.

"We've had more than 20 million hits on the Web site with more than 33,000 ongoing

"I was impressed with the quality of the materials, [they are] very user-friendly, and the content was very well done. It is a very useful product overall."

—Arletta Dawson, coordinator of resources and materials acquisition, AEA 11

www.intime.uni.edu

The project is linked to the teaching standards of several professional teaching associations and the state-mandated Iowa Teacher Standards for teacher evaluation in a spin-off DVD

called Using Teaching Standards

to Improve Student Learning. The resource has more than three hours of video examples that specifically illustrate the eight Iowa standards and the subpoints used for evaluating new teachers. More than 600 copies have currently been sold.

Development of a DVD addressing national teaching standards is under consideration and one called "Democracy in the Classroom: Developing Character and Citizenship" will be available for elementary, middle and high school students this year.

—Mary Taylor



President Robert Koob and members of the UNI College of Education present InTime to Des Moines area educators.

curriculum materials. The database can be searched by grade level or content area. InTime allows educators to watch online video vignettes of top PreK-12 teachers in various subject areas demonstrating the use of technology in their classrooms. The videos are not staged or scripted, but are quality controlled.

The videos are useful for educators at all levels, including:

users, so we know this program is valuable to teachers," according to Yana Cornish, InTime technical coordinator. "We've also sold more than 300 CDs to those that have inadequate Internet service for viewing the videos."



Yana Cornish, InTime technical coordinator, visits with teachers about the InTime project.

Science programs launch new era

by Melissa Barber

The University of Northern Iowa's McCollum Science Hall recently completed a dramatic 64,000-square-foot addition. Under construction since Oct. 2001, the McCollum addition provides much-needed space for the biology and chemistry departments.

"We now have research space for undergraduate students in the cellular, molecular and bio-medical disciplines," says Barb Hetrick, head of the biology department. "The new lecture halls are much more conducive to teamwork, and we finally have dedicated spaces for students to interact and gather." With 620 declared majors, biology is one of the largest departments on campus.

"The addition has allowed us to modernize the way we teach general chemistry," explains Paul Rider, interim head of the chemistry department. "We now have modern research space for faculty members and their undergraduate assistants, as well as an all-new chemical education suite." The chemistry department, located on the second floor, also features the ChemWall, an interactive plasma-screen display with

the periodic table of elements and information on the chemistry program. UNI has produced more bachelor's degree chemistry graduates than any other Iowa college or university in the last 13 years.

Besides creating a dramatic new entrance for McCollum, the addition also features a waterwall stocked with the same native Iowa plant species that students study in general biology. An official dedication for the addition took place Oct. 10, featuring former dean Clifford McCollum as keynote speaker.

Built in 1968, McCollum Science Hall was officially named in 1984 upon the retirement of McCollum, who joined the UNI faculty in 1949. The McCollum Science Hall addition was constructed at a cost of \$16.9 million with state-appropriated funds.

Left: The two-story waterwall features simulated native Iowa plant species.

Below: The addition is a dramatic addition to the campus landscape.

Below right: A student lounge area.



"Congratulations on this beautiful and serviceable facility. Special congratulations on having such people as we have now, and will have down through the years, both students and faculty. You deserve it, and you'll make it glow."

Clifford McCollum
at the dedication of the
McCollum Science Hall addition



Undergrad research sets UNI apart

The College of Natural Sciences has taken experiential learning to new heights. One out of every four students graduating with a science, technology or mathematics degree completes an extended research project beyond the classroom with a faculty member. Many of these result in conference presentations or publication.

Chemistry students are able to conduct experiments in electrochemistry through NASA's Reduced Gravity Student Flight Opportunities Program, while earth science students have access to the one-of-a-kind STORM center (Science Center for Teaching, Outreach, Research on Meteorology) on UNI's campus.

UNI is one of only two public universities nationwide who received a two-year Merck-AAAS Undergraduate Science Research Award in 2002.



Names of distinction

From Mars to South Dakota, from arthritis to algae, UNI science alumni are proving to the world that a liberal arts education paves the way for successful careers.

- Dr. Brian Hynek, BA '98, holds a doctorate in planetary sciences and is currently involved in determining landing sites for Mars rovers.
- Derric Iles, BA '79, is the state geologist and director of South Dakota Geological Survey.
- Dr. John Talley, BA '74, is the inventor of the arthritis treatment Celebrex™.
- Dr. Gary Floyd, BA '62, was honored by having a genus of green algae named for him, *Floydiella terrestris*.

"The addition is wonderful—it allows us much-desired space and updated equipment for teaching and research."

Dr. Kavita Dhanwada, assistant professor of biology

"The MSH addition promotes a great learning atmosphere."

Heather Krueger, junior biology major



Roger Polark

Words for the wise:

Hard work, common sense, integrity

Sometimes the more accomplished a person is, the bigger he is. That's "big" as in "charitable, wise and gracious." Such a person is Roger Polark.

Mr. Polark is busy retiring from his position with Walgreens drugstore company. It seems that when you are chief financial officer of one of the largest companies in the country, retiring is more a process than an event. His insights are presented below, without paraphrase. We can only hope that students take heed.

NIT: If you could write your autobiography today, what would you title it and why?

Polark: "I would name it 'The Two Pails of Water.' I grew up on a farm in northeast Iowa, near Oelwein. I recall when I would carry pails of water in freezing cold weather to the livestock, and in the back of my mind think I wanted to do something else when I grew up. I didn't know specifically what, but I knew that there were other things out there."

NIT: Was there a defining moment in your education (formal or informal) that shaped you for success?

Polark: "Through the years I kept looking back on the work ethic that my mother and father taught me as my secret to success. Many times I simply outworked my peers. I have never thought of myself as a super intellect, but rather as an average guy with lots of common sense and determination. I almost gave up a couple times in my career, but I persevered with the help of my family and friends and my internal drive to succeed."

NIT: Who or what was the key influence that led you to your chosen profession?

Polark: "I always loved working with numbers in math and early bookkeeping classes. This gravitated



me toward accounting at UNI. I was fortunate to know at an early age that accounting in some format was what I wanted to do with my life."

NIT: Where might your career or life path be leading next?

Polark: "My plan was to retire from active business in my mid-50s. I turned 56 in early January and would have retired last year but was asked to stay on since our chairman was also retiring then. My compensation, stock holdings and the size of the company are a matter of public record in the latest proxy for Walgreen Company. My achievements have surpassed any goals I could have set for myself earlier in my career.

"The treadmill called work in this country sets us up to start running in our early 20s and stop in our mid-60s. Some people never make it to do different things with their lives. I have that opportunity, and I will decide what those things are in due course with my wife of 36 years, Bobbi Jo. She worked to help me get through UNI. Without her support I couldn't

have achieved what I have. I've made out my list of top 10 things I would like to accomplish. I'm waiting for her list so we can merge them and do this thing called 'retirement' together."

NIT: How would you describe your attitude toward learning at this point in your life?

Polark: "We all continue to learn every day. From a business standpoint it seems that just about when you think you've got this thing down, it's time to move on. Further book learning is not in my bag. The education I got at UNI from guys like Blanford, Halverson, Andreesen and Brownlee was enough to jump-start me to accomplish all that I have. Common sense coupled with a strong sense of good, ethical behavior goes a long way toward success in life."

NIT: If you could impart one thought, suggestion, concept or ideal to UNI students, what would it be?

Polark: "UNI has a well-deserved reputation as a great producer of CPAs. I can't impress enough the importance of developing a good work ethic along with good business ethics. It has been particularly disheartening to see the scandals that have developed in the business community. The ethics, honesty and integrity of businesses and certain professions in this country need major work. I see the public accounting profession imploding from lack of basic auditing 101 principles, greed and general common sense in reporting and disclosure. It makes no sense to produce CPAs and accountants if they end up in jail because of bad auditing or ethics failures. I have discussed with Dean Moussavi (UNI College of Business Administration) about the need to improve the ethical aspect of education in our nation's schools."

—Denton Ketels

David Hakes

Defining moments

There are no easy A's in David Hakes' class. Whether it's macro, money and banking, or principles of economics, students work hard to earn a good grade. That's exactly the way Hakes wants it.

"I believe in a back-to-the-basics style of teaching," he says. "I don't use Power Point, show films, have group projects and guest lecturers, or allow retaking of tests."

Instead, he prides himself on being prepared, knowledgeable and, most of all, efficient. An Iowa boy with a doctorate in economics, Hakes went to college at Iowa State University unsure of what he wanted to do. He took economics his first term as a freshman. "It just clicked for me," he recalls. "Somehow, what seemed difficult to others was obvious to me."

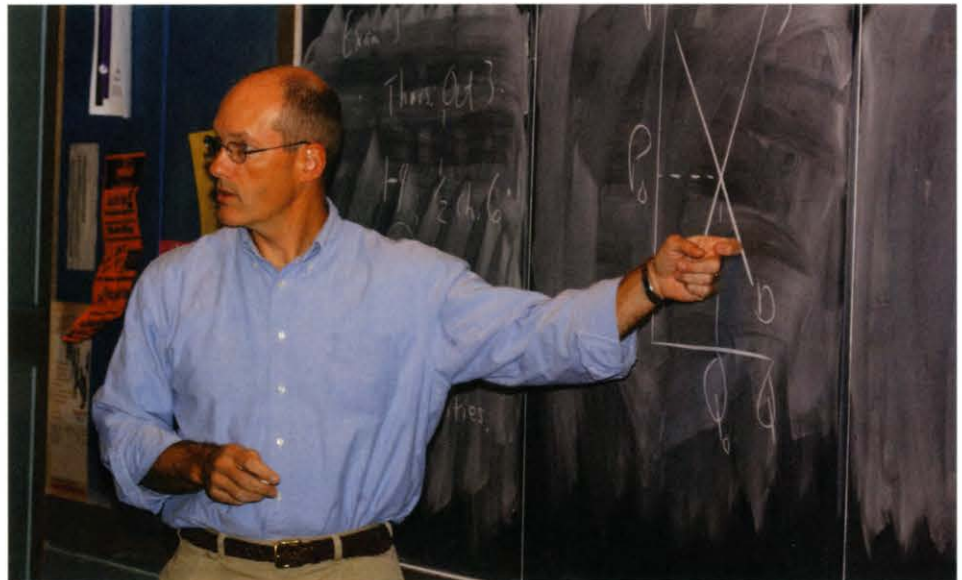
The combination of social concerns and quantitative methods proved irresistible to Hakes. "For the first time, I could discuss social issues in an objective, quantitative way that provided answers, not just arguments."

After earning his Ph.D., Hakes went to Southwest Missouri State, then on to the University of Missouri-St. Louis, where he taught for seven years.

"I basically earned tenure on a Thursday and resigned on a Friday," he says. "Ken McCormack had been keeping an eye open for me at UNI and he called to inform me of a job opening—the day after I got tenure." Despite the investment of hard work, he never regretted the move back to Iowa.

"I think my Iowa background helps me relate to the students," he says. "While diversity is always good, having a similar background helps me understand how to motivate them."

An incident several years ago illustrates Hakes' unique motivating methods. During a routine final, he asked a student for his ID number to



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verify that he was who he said he was.

"This guy just bolts out of his seat and races for the door," Hakes says. "I yelled 'Nobody move!' and took off after him. I chased him across the parking lot. He was a big guy, but he managed to outrun me."

Hakes returned to class and demanded to know the student's name. Two hundred and twenty students sat in silence. Finally, one girl wrote a name down and slipped it to him on her way out of class.

"I tracked him down and made him explain. Turns out he had a ringer in the room—he and a friend were

both taking the test, and planned to turn in whichever one thought they did best."

Hakes told him that he'd written a letter to the administration to have him kicked out of school. Unless he re-took the class and earned an A, he would submit it. The student agreed.

"The next semester, he came to every class, sat in the front row and worked his tail off to earn a good grade," Hakes recalls. "He really turned himself into a good student."

"Years later, I got a phone call from him. He thanked me for my actions, aggressive as they were. He said that day was a defining moment in his life."

The student wanted to let Hakes know he had just gotten his MBA and taken a job on Wall Street, and he credited Hakes for helping motivate him to turn his life around.

"You just never know," Hakes says. "It's easy to take things for granted, to forget how much of a difference we can make as teachers. I remind myself every day that this could be the defining day that changes someone's life."

—Melissa Barber

UNI's Master's in Social Work program receives accreditation by national council

The University of Northern Iowa's Master's in Social Work program has received accreditation from the Council on Social Work Education to October 2007. The accreditation is retroactive to the program's first graduating class in 2002. Only individuals graduating from an accredited program are allowed licensing and permission to practice.

In 1999, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, granted UNI permission to begin offering the program in fall 2000. Tom Keefe, director of the program, said the catalyst for developing UNI's MSW program was two-fold. First, the Bureau of Labor predicted that the need for social

workers would increase. Second, the University of Iowa was, at that time, the only public institution in the state offering the MSW. St. Ambrose University in Davenport also offers a program.

"Many people who wanted this degree had to leave the state to get it," explained Keefe, "Many who leave the state never return to Iowa to work. We know that many employers are having to turn to people without MSW degrees to do MSW work. Having this program at UNI fills a very serious need, especially in this region of the state."

Based on the university's feasibility study, the MSW program offers

concentrations in two areas not offered elsewhere in Iowa: administrative practice and advanced micropractice. To date, 56 people have graduated from the MSW program. According to Keefe, this makes it one of the larger graduate programs at the university.

"Social workers address all kinds of problems, including spouse abuse, child abuse and substance abuse," Keefe explained. "We know that when the country experiences periods of high unemployment, some of those problems expand, and that is what we are seeing now."

For more information about the MSW program at UNI, contact Keefe at 319-273-5910.

UNI receives federal grant to establish Iowa Center for Applied Gerontology

The University of Northern Iowa College of Social & Behavioral Sciences (CSBS) has received a \$322,888 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to establish the Iowa Center for Applied Gerontology at UNI. Funding for the project began in October, and will end September 2004.

The center's goal is to increase the number of Iowa students interested in careers in gerontology -- the study of older adults. "As the ratio of older adults increases, the need for non-medical caregivers and elder-friendly goods and services increases," said Julia Wallace, CSBS dean. "According to the U.S. Census, Iowa is tied for fourth place in the nation for the proportion of its citizens who are 65 or older. It ranks first for its proportion of citizens 85 and older."

The grant will fuel research and outreach in three avenues: the Alliance of Gerontology Educators (AGE), teletraining, and business outreach.

"AGE will be created to provide a series of one-day workshops for community colleges and private colleges," said Wallace. "The goal will

be to incorporate gerontology-related information and research into their curriculum."

Teletraining will provide on-the-job training for people such as family services workers and communication disorder specialists through telephone conference calls. Seven to 12 sessions will take place during the year.

Business outreach will help chambers of commerce and businesspeople modify products and services to appeal to older adults.

"For instance, blues and greens are not discerned well by older eyes," explained Wallace. "This is important to know when designing product packaging or sales materials."

UNI's gerontology program was established in 1979 as a 15-credit-hour certificate program. In 2002, it became the first bachelor of arts program in gerontology in the state. The Iowa Center for Applied Gerontology is the only undergraduate program specializing in the study of older adults in the state.

For more information, contact Wallace at 319-273-2221.

UNI students offered forgivable loans to work in areas experiencing teacher shortages

Students at the University of Northern Iowa have responded overwhelmingly to the Iowa Teacher Shortage Forgivable Loan Program. According to Heather Soesbe, loan coordinator for UNI's Office of Financial Aid, the program allows students to receive forgivable loans in return for agreeing to teach for five years in an area of Iowa in a designated shortage area/subject.

"For each year they work in the area, 20 percent of their loan is forgiven," she explained. "The maximum award is \$3,000 per year."

During the 2001-2002 academic year, 54 UNI students participated, receiving \$136,412 in loan proceeds. For the 2002-2003 academic year, 98 UNI students participated, receiving \$270,960—an increase of approximately 98 percent in one year.

UNI's ABIL receives patent for innovative wood-preservative process

The University of Northern Iowa's Ag-Based Industrial Lubricants (ABIL) Research Program has been granted a patent for a soybean-based wood preservative concept.

"Simply put, the idea is to actively oxidize soy oil and then force it into wood products," explained ABIL Director Lou Honary. "The oil fills the wood pores and plasticizes in the wood, thus not allowing water to get in and cause rotting. When combined with preservatives, it could create a substitute for creosote and other controversial wood preservatives used in utility poles, railroad ties and on home decking and playground equipment."

ABIL has a cooperative field project with an international forest

products company to test the concept and determine the protection properties in various geographic climates and conditions across the country.

Honary holds nine patents for his soy-based industrial research.

ABIL is recognized nationally as a leader in the development and commercialization of soybean-based industrial lubricants. Established in 1991, the UNI-ABIL research program brings together research and testing to identify soybean oil characteristics and match them to appropriate industrial uses.

This year ABIL is licensing 24



industrial lubricants, greases and base oils made of soybean oil. For more information about ABIL, visit the Web site, www.uni.edu/abil.

UNI students win construction competition

Six University of Northern Iowa industrial technology students recently finished in first place in the Associated Schools of Construction's (ASC) 2003 commercial division student estimating competition. Eleven schools participated in the commercial division, including Iowa State, Kansas State and North Dakota State.

The student competitors, all members of the Department of Industrial Technology's Construction Management Club, were: Dave Denley from Lake Zurich, Ill., Nick Knepper from Waterloo, Shaun Kukuzke from Keswick, Phillip Strom from Clinton, Rod Schumacher from Dubuque and Jon Wall from Altoona. In addition to the team's first place finish, Denley won the outstanding presenter award.

Mike Zwanziger, UNI adjunct instructor and the team's coach, said he considers the students' accomplishment all the more impressive as equipment difficulties



Denley, Knepper, Kukuzke, Wall, Strom, Schumacher

The team works out the details of their estimating project.



left the team without the use of visual aids.

The competition is sponsored by the ASC and Associated General Contractors (AGC).

Six team members will represent Region IV in the National Student Estimating Competition to be held in conjunction with the national AGC annual meeting in Orlando, Fla. this spring.

UNI receives award of excellence for community college collaboration

The University of Northern Iowa was the only educational institution in a six-state Midwest region to receive the 2002-03 Award of Excellence from the Association for Career and Technical Education, Region 3.

The award was given in recognition of UNI's collaborative efforts with community colleges, including articulation agreements. Articulation agreements mesh programs between two-year and four-year schools so that students can transfer credits earned at one institution to the other.

Accepting the award on behalf of UNI was Charles Johnson, professor of industrial technology, who has been instrumental in formulating articulation agreements with Iowa community colleges. About 300 articulation agreements have been signed with all 15 community colleges in the state. The majority of these program-to-program agreements enable graduates of technical programs at the community colleges to make a smooth transition toward completion of a major at UNI.

UNI secures grant to address health-care disparities within underserved populations

A three-year, \$1 million grant from the National Institutes of Health will establish a model Project Export Center of Excellence at the University of Northern Iowa, to provide leadership in addressing and reducing health-care disparities in underserved populations. The center also will address the preparation of students as health-disparities workers.

Michele Yehieli, director of UNI's Global Health Corps and executive director of the new center, explained that Iowa is experiencing some of the most significant demographic changes in the United States. As a result, she said, many meat packing and agricultural processing companies, faced with one of the country's largest



percentages of aging residents and the out-migration of younger workers, are recruiting thousands of refugees and immigrants from Latin America, eastern Europe, southeast Asia and Africa.

"This rapid ethnic diversification is occurring in a sparsely populated state where many counties are already



designated as medically underserved areas, and where Native Americans and African Americans have faced considerable health challenges for decades," Yehieli said.

She explained that the Project Export Center will bring together three organizations at UNI that have extensive ties with the state's minority

populations—the Global Health Corps, the Center for Social and Behavioral Research (CSBR), and the New Iowans Program.

The center's co-directors are Mark Grey, director of the New Iowans program; and Gene Lutz, director of the CSBR.

UNI student health center receives award for laboratory excellence

Mary Byggere, clinical lab technologist at the University of Northern Iowa Student Health Clinic, has received COLA's Laboratory Excellence Award. The award is given to laboratories that demonstrate exemplary patient testing.

This is the second time Byggere has received the award. She has been with the Student Health Clinic for 27 years.



To receive the award, COLA laboratories have to complete an on-site inspection, and be found to have superior laboratory safety and practices for their patients within COLA criteria.

COLA is a non-profit, physician-directed organization that promotes quality and excellence in medicine and patient care through voluntary education, achievement and accreditation programs.

COLA is approved by the federal government and sponsored by the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American Medical Association, the American College of Physicians-American Society of Internal Medicine, the College of American Pathologists and the American Osteopathic Association.

UNI's Dr. Grammar dies

James HiDuke, University of Northern Iowa assistant professor of English language and literature, died Nov. 17 of natural causes at his home in Cedar Falls. HiDuke was nationally known as "Dr. Grammar." A veteran English professor who taught English and writing courses, HiDuke was well known by students and faculty as a source of answers to tough questions—hence the nickname, "Dr.

Grammar."

HiDuke was the mind behind UNI's free Dr. Grammar advice service, which was launched for UNI students, faculty, staff and the community in 1999. Within a few months of its inception, the Dr. Grammar site was receiving 11,000 hits a month from people around the United States and more than 120 countries. Questions came from all walks of life, including students, congressmen, national television networks and radio personalities.

New questions are no longer being answered, but existing information is still available while the future of the site is considered.

HiDuke came to UNI in 1967



as an English instructor. He held a bachelor's degree from St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind.; and a master's degree from Marquette University, Milwaukee, where he specialized in composition/modern drama.

UNI Prairie Preserve celebrates 30 years

A celebration marking the 30th anniversary of the University of Northern Iowa's Prairie Preserve took place in September at UNI's Center for Energy and Environmental Education (CEEE). Those who played a major role in the establishment of the prairie and the founding and development of the UNI Biological Preserves System were recognized.

Those honored with awards, presented by UNI President Robert Koob, included: Ben Clausen and Virgil Dowell, UNI emeritus professors of biology; Daryl Smith, professor of biology and director of UNI's Native

Roadside Vegetation Center; Paul Whitson, UNI professor of biology; Ron Camarata, manager of the UNI Biological Botanical Center/Preserves; and former staff members John Volker, now with the Design Ranch in Iowa City, and Pauline Drobney, now a refuge biologist with the Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge in Prairie City. Also recognized posthumously were Larry Eilers, former UNI biology professor, and long-time area nurseryman, Arnold Webster.

UNI's Biological Preserves System includes four on-campus preserves; the University Avenue Preserve at University Avenue and Tremont Street; and two off-campus sites, the Matala Preserve in northwest Cedar Falls, and the Clay Prairie Preserve in Butler County.

Planning for the campus tallgrass prairie began when Smith received a 1972 summer fellowship. Actual

restoration work began in May 1973, with establishment of the prairie. During the '80s, more plant varieties were added to the prairie, and much of the '90s was a management and maintenance phase. Since 1998, students and faculty have been continuing management and conducting research on the site.

The Biological Preserves Committee grew out of a Department of Biology task force, first appointed in 1970, that established a four-point program for the system—preservation, reconstruction, research and education. In keeping with its educational goals, the preserves system was designed to be an outdoor teaching laboratory and now serves some 25 biology classes, with 700-1,000 UNI students, annually. The preserves also are used by art, earth science and capstone classes and students from other academic disciplines, as well as by area schools.

UNI Department of Residence unveils plan to freeze rates for two years

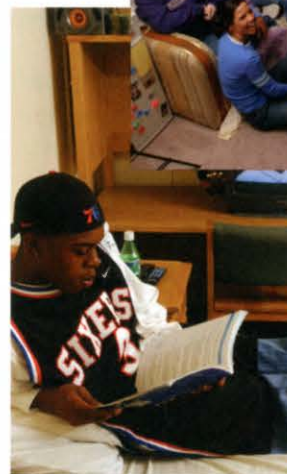
The Board of Regents, State of Iowa, recently approved a pilot plan developed by the UNI Department of Residence, allowing students living in the residence halls to receive the same dining/housing rate for the first and second years of their contracts. The "2-Year Advantage" plan also allows students to move to campus the Thursday before classes begin at no extra charge, and it waives the \$200 pre-payment charge during the second year of the contract. There are currently 450 students enrolled in the 2-Year Advantage plan, validation that the program is already valued by students and their families.

Pat Beck, assistant director of residence/marketing, said the plan may include other benefits as it evolves. "Immediately, it helps families budget for the cost of higher education," she

said. "The true and lasting advantage comes with the benefits students gain from a multi-year experience in residence hall communities."

A similar program has been developed at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., where it has been successful.

Residence hall rates at UNI—and the other regent institutions—have risen steadily since 1988. In 2003, the rate increase was \$278, or nearly six percent. Beck believes the 2-Year



Advantage plan will, ultimately, help control costs in the future. "Having more residents on campus builds stronger communities, improves our efficiency and makes it possible to keep costs down for all residents," she said.

If you would like more information, contact the

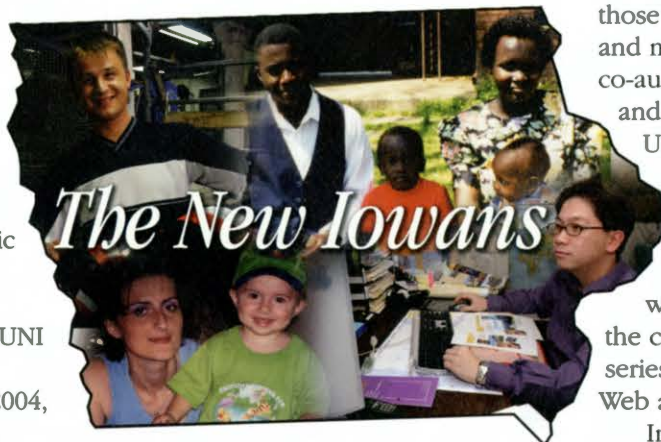
Department of Residence at 319-273-2333.

UNI partners with IPTV to educate the state about immigration/refugee issues

The University of Northern Iowa's "New Iowans" program and Iowa Public Television (IPTV), Iowa's only statewide television network, have received a \$5,000 grant from the Independent Television Service (ITVS) to promote a Public Broadcasting System miniseries, "The New Americans." Also participating in the project is the UNI Museum.

Scheduled to begin in April 2004, "The New Americans" is a seven-hour series about the search for the American dream through the eyes of today's immigrants and refugees, including those from Nigeria, India, the Dominican Republic, Mexico and the West Bank.

There will be a series of activities, including publication of a companion handbook called "The New Iowans" and an exhibit at the UNI Museum titled "Welcoming New Iowans: A 200-Year Tradition," opening this month. Community forums will take place in



Sioux City, Des Moines and Cedar Falls this spring.

"This is a unique collaboration that will benefit all Iowans, primarily by educating them about the importance of these newcomers to the social and economic future of Iowa," said Mary Bracken, programming and outreach coordinator of IPTV.

Established at UNI in 1999, the New Iowans program is the brainchild of Grey. He has authored guides to augment the program, including

those for citizens and communities and managers and supervisors. He co-authored a guide for Christians and churches with Anne Woodrick, UNI associate professor of anthropology, and one for health care workers with Michele Yehieli, associate professor of health education, who collaborated with Grey on the companion handbook to the IPTV series. Several are available on the Web at www.uni.edu/bcs/newiowans.

Immigration is, says Grey, a workforce and economic development issue.

"A lot of us have looked at demographics trends and we are concerned. Birth rates are down, and the workforce is aging rapidly. And then there's the painful reminder that 40 percent of the state's college graduates leave the state. We believe that immigrants can make up for part of the shortfall."

For more information, contact Grey at 319-273-3029.

New scholarship programs for out-of-state students

The Admissions Office has instituted a new scholarship program to aid in recruiting out-of-state students. The Purple & Gold and Legacy Scholarships are available for up to \$5,000, depending on whether or not a student lives on campus. The current tuition and room and board rate for out-of-state students is \$16,792 versus \$9,834 for Iowa residents, which makes the new programs an attractive incentive for out-of-state students.

Students living on campus may accept the \$4,000 Purple & Gold Scholarship; those living off campus may accept the \$2,000 Purple & Gold Scholarship. In addition, students whose parents, grandparents or legal guardians graduated from UNI may be awarded an additional \$1,000 Legacy Scholarship

Upon admittance, students will automatically be considered for the Purple & Gold Scholarship and can then identify their legacy connection and become eligible for the additional \$1,000 Legacy Scholarship.

Eligibility requirements for the initial award include:

- Successful completion of a college preparatory curriculum in high school.
- Ranking in the top half of their class.
- Taking the American College Test (ACT) or Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). UNI's average ACT composite score is 23.
- Transfer students must fulfill UNI transfer admission requirements.

Contact the Admissions Office at 319-273-2281 for more information.

UNI recognized for excellence in financial reporting for 11th consecutive year

For the 11th consecutive year, the University of Northern Iowa Controller's Office has been awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada for the quality of its comprehensive annual financial report (CAFR) for the year ended June 30, 2002.

The award is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, according to Stephen Gauthier of the GFOA. UNI was one of only eight public four-year universities in the nation to receive the award.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association, serving approximately 14,000 government finance professionals.



Football makes 1-AA quarterfinals

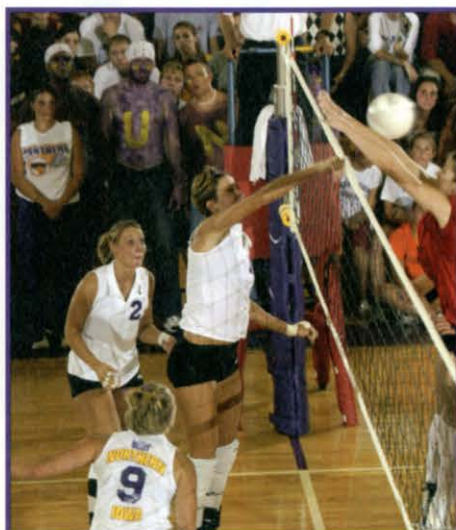
The Panthers made their 11th trip to the NCAA 1-AA playoffs in 2003, capping off a thrilling 10-3 season that included a share of the Gateway Football Conference title. A dramatic 43-40 comeback victory at home over second-ranked Southern Illinois highlighted conference action, while a 35-14 playoff win at home against 24th-ranked Montana State propelled the Panthers to the quarterfinals. A 37-7 loss to eventual nation champion Delaware ended UNI's season and national title hopes.

"The foundation is laid, and I'm pleased with the fleet we have coming back," said Head Coach Mark Farley, looking ahead to fall 2004. "I'm pleased with the recruits we took last season and I'm pleased with the temperament of our team. I'm pleased about everything with our program right now. I think we're on solid ground. We're close."

Volleyball serves perfect home season

Entering the season, UNI was a unanimous pick to win its sixth straight Missouri Valley Conference title, and the Panthers were a preseason No. 8 pick in the nation in the AVCA coaches poll.

The Panthers claim their sixth-straight MVC title with a win on Southwest Missouri State's court in the conference tournament. UNI advanced to the NCAA tournament in Minneapolis, where it defeated #20 UC



Santa Barbara in the first round before falling to the host Golden Gophers. The Panthers finished the season 28-6 overall.

The Panthers posted a perfect 11-0 home slate at the West Gym. Their home winning streak of 71 matches is the longest in the nation and second longest of all-time (Penn State-87, 1995-2000).

Soccer team among nation's most improved

The 2003 UNI women's soccer team tied for sixth in the nation for most improved team, according to the NCAA. Coached by Linda Whitehead, the Panthers improved their 2002 record of 5-13-1 to 10-8-1. Their 4-2-1 Missouri Valley Conference record also was good enough for a fourth-place finish, the best for a UNI squad in its four-year history.

Cross Country hosts national championships

The UNI men's and women's cross country teams were under the direction of new head coach Kyle Kepler, a long-time assistant coach and former standout athlete on the Panthers' squad.

Kepler guided an experienced men's team to the Missouri Valley Conference title. UNI's women's team placed sixth in the conference meet.

The Panthers were host to the 2003 NCAA Cross Country Championships, Nov. 24, at Irv Warren Golf Course in Waterloo. Stanford captured the men's and women's team titles.



Winter sports heat up campus

Under the direction of third-year head coach Greg McDermott, the **UNI men's basketball** team was 10-5 through the first half of its season, and tied for second place in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The Panthers struggled out of the gate, dropping three of their first five games. Things turned around after a 77-66 victory over 24th-ranked Iowa, Dec. 9 at the UNI-Dome. That started a streak of eight wins in 10 games, including an 82-73 win over #20 Creighton, Jan. 14 at the UNI-Dome.

The **UNI women's basketball** team has encountered its share of bumps in the road this season, but there is still plenty of time to get things turned around. The Panthers are truly "Iowa's Team" as all the girls played high school basketball in the state.

During the holiday break, the team traveled to the Hawaii Holiday Classic where it went on to defeat Fairfield in overtime (83-77) and win the title.

With a huge victory over the third-ranked Iowa State Cyclones and a five dual-meet winning streak, coach Brad Penrith's 2003-04 **Panther wrestlers** are off to another great start.

UNI has been ranked in the top 20 nationally all season, with six different wrestlers ranked individually in the top 20.

Students First

The campaign for the University of Northern Iowa

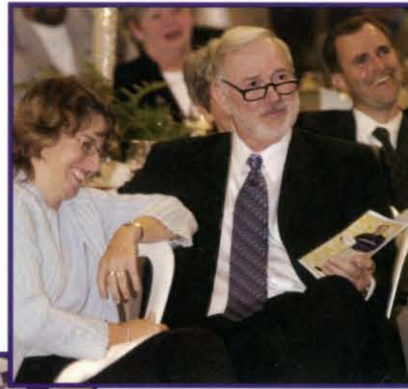
Campaign update

A key element of UNI's West Campus complex is closer to reality. The Board of Regents, State of Iowa, recently approved plans for the construction of the McLeod Center beginning summer 2004. The 100,000-square-foot sports and entertainment facility will be located south of the UNI-Dome.

The McLeod Center will be the home of Panther basketball and volleyball, and a competition site for wrestling. In addition, it will host numerous community events including concerts, trade and craft shows and youth activities ranging from state and national tournaments to camps. It will have seating for about 6,100 and a total capacity of 7,000.

UNI's Institute for Decision Making, and C.H. Johnson Consulting Inc., an independent consulting firm, estimate the combination of the McLeod Center

"We have the funds to build the basic facility," explained Bill Calhoun, UNI vice president for university advancement. "We need to raise an additional \$3 million so we can create the



Those things will make the McLeod Center a versatile facility that can attract high-level sporting and entertainment events."

Herbert Lewis Kruse Blunck, a Des Moines architectural firm, has been hired to design the facility.

They will partner with Crawford Architects of Kansas City. The facility should be complete by 2006.

While the vision of the McLeod Center began as a basketball arena, the final product will be a community facility, thanks in part to Eldon Miller. The former UNI men's head basketball coach and a past member of the UNI Foundation staff, Miller championed the facility enhancements that will make the McLeod Center a flexible community events center.

Miller and his wife, Dee, were honored for their leadership in the university and the community at an event on Sept. 20 at the UNI-Dome.

"For nearly 20 years, Eldon and Dee Miller have served the University of Northern Iowa and the Cedar Valley," said Calhoun. "Eldon's

dedication to the university and to this community and his passion for this project have made a great difference. Without his help, we would not be here today."

More than 500 people attended, including former UNI football coach Terry Allen, Philadelphia 76ers head coach Randy Ayers and the 1990 men's basketball championship team. The celebration raised \$350,000 towards the McLeod Center. The plaza between the UNI-Dome and the McLeod Center will be named the Eldon Miller Plaza.



More than 500 people (left) joined the UNI Foundation in honoring Eldon Miller, shown above with daughter, Amy Burke, and son, Ben. Below: Architect's renderings of the McLeod Center, the Alumni Hospitality Suite, and the Eldon Miller Plaza.



and the UNI-Dome will bring 370,000 additional visitors to the Cedar Valley each year, with an economic impact of more than \$15 million after three to five years of operation.

The anticipated cost of the basic project is approximately \$20 million. In December 2003, the UNI Foundation announced that it had raised \$18 million. The remaining \$2 million will come from a loan from the city of Cedar Falls and other university non-instructional sources.

type of comprehensive multi-purpose facility the university and community deserves. We will continue to raise funds so we can include such things as special rigging for concert light and sound systems, retractable seating, a finished alumni suite and hall of fame.

A lifetime of learning

UNI alumna Helen Cook Rose has much in common with current UNI students. She, too, was homesick, had to work to pay tuition, and dreaded that mad dash across campus to make the next class on time. In 1919, the distances and figures were perhaps a little less than what students deal with today, but no less worrisome.

Helen attended UNI when it was known as the Normal School—officially Iowa State Teachers College (ISTC). She can name her favorite instructors, each class she took that last term, and everyone who helped her find a job. She may be 103 years old, but some things you never forget.

"I was a born teacher," she says with a smile. "I would come home from fourth grade, line up all my younger brothers and sisters and teach them what I'd learned that day." With nine children in her family, she had plenty of students on whom to practice.

By the time she was a senior in high school, the principal was asking her to substitute for sick teachers. At 18, she traveled to Cedar Falls and began a seven-year pursuit of her degree, working during the year and taking summer school classes at Iowa State Teachers College.

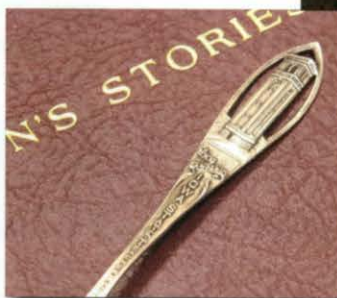
Her first teaching job was the fall of 1919 in a one-room rural school, after only one term of classes at ISTC. She was 18 years old. "I had 26 students in six grades," she recalls, "and I was terrified.

"I was so homesick—can you imagine? Only four miles from home, and all I wanted was to hear my mother's voice. Our house had no telephone, so I called the operator and she paged Mother next door. When she came on the line, she told me to stop being silly."

Tuition at ISTC in those days was \$5 per term. Helen found a job with a professor for \$0.40 an hour to pay for room and board. After paying bills and sending money home for the family, there wasn't much left over. "But I was happy," she says.

She always managed to find a teaching job during the year to pay for summer school. Job opportunities came via word of mouth, and good teachers were in demand. After landing a job in Huron, the hiring committee commented they were "lucky to get

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still has her memento of the occasion—a small silver spoon depicting the Campanile.

"I believe that teachers and students today should just keep studying," Helen says. "Take every opportunity to do research in your field; keep up with every modern notion. You can't learn too much."

—Melissa Barber

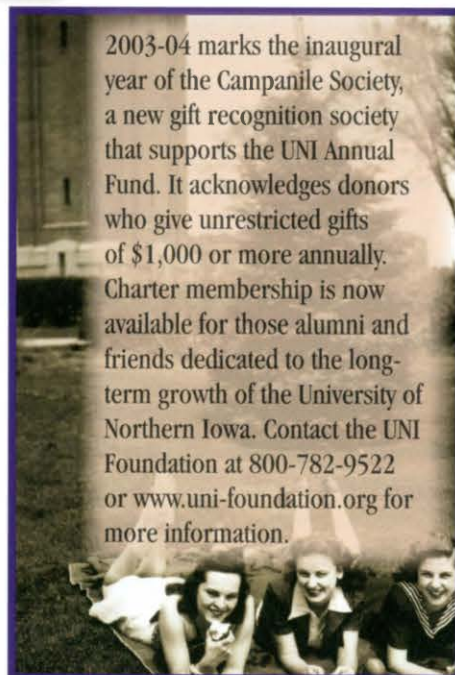
her. She's alright."

Helen saved up enough to attend school for the full year of 1921-22. She recalls the challenge of

making it across campus between classes. "I had five minutes to get from the second floor of the Aud to the Women's Gym, get changed and be on the floor ready for class," she says, with a shake of her head. "You didn't waste any time."

In 1926, Helen's graduating class helped celebrate 50 years of ISTC with the dedication of the Campanile. It was created as a monument that would inspire students and perpetuate memories for alumni throughout the years. More than 75 years later, Helen

2003-04 marks the inaugural year of the Campanile Society, a new gift recognition society that supports the UNI Annual Fund. It acknowledges donors who give unrestricted gifts of \$1,000 or more annually. Charter membership is now available for those alumni and friends dedicated to the long-term growth of the University of Northern Iowa. Contact the UNI Foundation at 800-782-9522 or www.uni-foundation.org for more information.





From the Association President

As students, faculty and staff scurry across the campus in winter coats and hats, the realization hits that we are into the second semester of the academic year. The first semester was busy with the traditional activities of fall. Panther Bash, which welcomes students back to campus each fall, was held in partnership with Convocation. More than 1,500 students gathered near the main entrance of campus to learn the UNI Fight Song and celebrate being a Panther.

The Alumni Association Board of Directors met during Homecoming weekend. Among their items of business were the approval of our revised by-laws and the adoption of a new five-year strategic plan for the association. The revised strategic plan provides both direction and a timeline for accomplishing our goals. I thank the board's strategic planning committee for their fine service on this year-long assignment.

We continue to work closely with our Office of Governmental Relations on outreach efforts to communicate the needs of the university to members of the Iowa General Assembly.

During the fall, the association hosted legislative outreach events in the form of house parties in Cedar Rapids, the Quad Cities and Des Moines. The small-group atmosphere provided for one-on-one conversation and a solid exchange of ideas.

In November, we hosted "Celebrate the Purple in Your Life" in Davenport. Alumni, friends and parents of prospective students gathered to hear UNI's message and celebrate their connection to the university. The evening event, hosted by former Alumni Association Board President Greg Lundgren '73, featured President Koob, along with members of his cabinet, coaches and representatives from the fine arts. Student Alumni Ambassadors closed out the event by answering audience questions about life on campus. It was a delightful evening for all.

The fall semester was full of exciting opportunities to gather and socialize with our extended UNI family, and the spring semester promises much of the same! We look forward

to the presentation of the Heritage Honours Awards during the spring commencement ceremony, as well as the 50- and 60-year class reunions in May and June.

Our programs, services, and events are designed for you. Whether you live halfway across the country or right here in the Cedar Valley, we hope you'll take advantage of the opportunities to become involved with your alma mater. Attend an alumni event, volunteer on behalf of the university, or become a member of the Alumni Association. Your participation makes all the difference.

Noreen Hermansen

Noreen Hermansen
President, UNI Alumni Association



Alumni Events in Review

Des Moines

It's been a busy year for alumni in Des Moines! More than 100 area alumni volunteered at the Des Moines Arts Festival in June and helped raise more than \$1,400 for the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund. They also gathered for a Homecoming happy hour in October, decorated a UNI tree for the Des Moines Festival of Trees, and organized a bus trip to the UNI-Dome for the UNI vs. Iowa men's basketball game. Look for information on a pre-game gathering for the UNI vs. Drake men's basketball game in February!

Chicago

In August, a record number of Chicago area alumni gathered for the third annual Alumni Luncheon and Cubs Baseball Game. The group welcomed university guest Clark Elmer, director of Admissions and the Career Center, who spoke about the new out-of-state recruitment programs. Alumni also celebrated the holiday season in December with the Annual Holiday Brunch at the Drake Hotel in Oakbrook, Illinois.

Steve Carignan, director of UNI's Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center, shared some behind-the-scenes stories from events held at the center. Representing the Alumni Association at both events was Association President Noreen Hermansen '71.

Phoenix

The third annual Alumni Social and Diamondbacks Game drew a record number of people this August. The group gathered in the left-field picnic area before the game to socialize with other alumni and friends. An alumni reception is planned for February—watch your mail for invitations!

Cedar Rapids

In July, Cedar Rapids area alumni hosted a pre-game picnic at the Kernels baseball stadium, featuring UNI's head baseball coach Rick Heller. Alumni also welcomed the new dean of the College of Education, Jeffrey Cornett, and the head wrestling coach, Brad Penrith, to their breakfast event in November. Amy Mohr '99, assistant director of Alumni Relations, was on

hand at both events to provide an update on campus and association activities. In December, alumni braved the winter weather to travel to the UNI-Dome for the UNI vs. Iowa men's basketball game.

Mason City

Mason City area alumni welcomed the new dean of the College of Education, Jeffrey Cornett, to their annual Fall Dinner in November. Cornett spoke about the changes taking place on campus and the exciting things ahead for the college and the university. Representing the Alumni Association was Amy Mohr '99, assistant director of Alumni Relations.

Ames

The Alumni Association hosted a tailgate before the UNI vs. ISU football game in August. More than 300 alumni came out to cheer on the team and share their Panther spirit! Join us again in 2004 when we take on the Cyclones Sept. 4 in Ames.



From the Association Chair

It gives me great pleasure to write this first article as the chair of the alumni board. My association with UNI began at a young age. Growing up in Cedar Falls, my parents often took me to UNI events at Strayer-Wood Theatre, the West Gym and the UNI-Dome. I remember the excitement I felt as we prepared to go to these events. It is wonderful seeing the same excitement 25 years later as we get ready to attend these same events with our own children.

Like all of you, I have fond memories of UNI. I remember socializing in the dining halls, studying – or at least trying to – in the library, waiting in line to get just the right classes during registration, campaniling, pep rallies, tailgating, house parties, cheering on the Panthers in athletics, and so on. The friendships I made while at UNI continue to be a treasure in my life. The compassion and genuine concern the professors had during my education shaped the level of education I received. That is UNI!

Many things have changed since that time, including on-line registration and a lovely new Redeker Dining Center. If you have not visited the UNI campus in recent years, you will be impressed, and astonished, with the infrastructure improvements that have been added. The third-floor addition to the Rod Library, the new Curris Business

Building, and the addition to the McCollum Science Hall have provided our faculty and students a most progressive environment for instruction and learning. Our university was founded on these values, and the commitment remains today. Other wonderful enhancements include the Maucker Union expansion and the announcement and upcoming groundbreaking of the McLeod Center.

As many of you are aware, UNI, along with the whole state of Iowa, is facing a budget crisis that we have never experienced before. This poses major challenges; challenges that we are ready to take on with vigor. UNI, with President Koob's leadership, is poised to continue to provide an excellent education and learning experience. We, as alumni, can play a major role in the future of our alma mater. With that stated, I present you with two challenges:

1. Contact your elected state officials, and talk to them about how your UNI education has impacted your life and about the importance of funding for UNI in the future.
2. Why not consider joining the UNI Alumni Association? Your alumni board continues to address the needs and wants of its alumni. Through joining, you open the door to reconnect with the university, friends and former classmates. Many fun and fulfilling opportunities to get

together, celebrate and socialize with other Panther friends await you with a UNI Alumni Association membership. Your alumni family is now more than 105,000 strong; spread out across the state, the nation and the world. The alumni Web site is www.unialum.org. Check it out!

It is my hope that you will seek ways to share your own UNI stories with others. Encourage young people to consider UNI as they seek their educational futures, and tell them of the lasting impact it has had in your life. Let them know about the "family" they will have as they obtain their education at UNI. Rekindle your "Panther Pride" and let's continue to have the Purple and the Gold make a life-long difference. If you have ideas about how the association can better meet your needs, please feel free to contact me in care of the Office of Alumni Relations at UNI. It would be great to hear from you. GO PANTHERS!!!

Beth Harris

Beth Harris
UNI Alumni Association Chair



UNI Alumni



Class Notes

'31 **Bernice (Brand) Schall**, BA, will be 93 this year and is still enjoying life in Jefferson.

'32 **Lila Anton**, 2-yr., loves the UNI Panther football team. At 91, she holds a season ticket for the football games and attends them all! Go Panthers!

'39 **Luke Boon**, BA, was presented the Educational Communication and Technology Foundation's Diamond Mentor Award. He is a 50-year member of the association.

'40 & '42 **Hugh, BS**, and **Helen (Levsen) Roberts**, BA, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary May 5th. They live in Mason City.



Boon '39

'42 **Gordon Sorensen**, BA, celebrated a reunion in March 2003 with the girls basketball team he coached while at Macksburg, IA from 1948-50. He hosted team members (now more than 70 years old) and their spouses at his time share in Branson, MO. Sorensen resides in Yukon, OK.

'43 **Doris H. Jensen**, 2-yr. '36, BA, celebrated her 88th birthday. She still volunteers at Largo Medical Hospital three mornings a week and this will be her 26th year as a volunteer there. She lives in Largo, FL.

'47 Class of '47 grads **Beth VanHouten Chappell**, **Pauline Wyrick Orris**, **Lila Havinga**, **Dorothy Zeller McCarville**, and classmates **Mary Margaret Salz Koster** and **Letha Petheram Allen** have participated in an ongoing round robin and have held annual reunions since leaving ISTC in 1947.

'51 **Robert Mehlhouse**, BA, retired after many years in meat business management. He enjoys bowling, cooking and traveling. He's lived in Oklahoma City for 30 years.

'55 **Corrine (Shimel) Vint**, BA, MA '68, retired from teaching but currently tutors middle school students from low income families who are behind in reading skills. The program is sponsored by the "I have a dream" Foundation. She resides in Des Moines.

'56 **Jean Rife Galloway**, BA, retired this year after teaching business education for 39 years: one year at Glidden, 1 year in Columbus, OH, and 37 years for Canyon ISD, Canyon, TX.

Mildred (Fisher) Wood, BA, MA '62, EdS '63, received the State of Iowa's highest honor from the Iowa Commission of Persons with Disabilities. She is a pioneer educator in the field of learning disabilities, and continues



to serve as an advocate for students and parents of students with learning disabilities.

'57 **Darwyn Lumley**, BA, was elected to a two-year term as secretary to the Society of Automotive Historians. He has been on its board of directors for six years and served a chairman of its Nicholas-Joseph Cugnot Committee.

'58 **Gerald Reyhons**, BA, taught and coached for six years in Pueblo, CO. For the last 38 years he's been the manager of a large chain of retail carpet stores in the Seattle area. He lives in Kirkland, WA.

'59 **Wilmer Brosz**, BA, received the Joseph Lee Heywood Distinguished Service Award. He continues to be very active in his Northfield, MN community and serves on many boards and civic organizations.

Roger Burkhart, BA, retired after 30 plus years with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. He celebrated his retirement by running his 28th consecutive Marine Corp marathon, thus retaining the "grunder-pounder" designation the Marines have given to the five men who have completed every Marine marathon. Dr. Burkhart, and his wife, **Nancy Wallace Burkhart**, BA '60, reside in Gaithersburg, MD.

'60 **Alan DeGraw**, BA, retired after 37 years as a pastor in the United Methodist Church in Michigan. He and his wife Judith live in Novi, MI. **Joseph Fackel**, BA, returned from Shenyang, China, where he taught a business law class to St. Ambrose University MBA students. These were Chinese students working on their MBAs. He says it was a terrific experience!

'61 **Robert Reas**, MA, visits his son in New Hampshire. He also hunted cougars in Phoenix and last year hunted caribou in Quebec. He indicates he is vice president of the local school board, conservation Congress member of Wisconsin, Upland Game Committee member, Conservation Education Committee member and Lakes Association. He enjoys snowmobiles and 4-wheelers and lives in Butternut, WI.

'62 **Janet (Peterson) Beary**, BA, retired three years ago from the Green Bay Public Schools, and is now living in Jewell, IA doing volunteer community and church work.

Janis (Munn) Engel, BA, retired last spring after teaching high school English for 30 years in the Waterloo Community Schools.

Donna (Bleich) Hrubes, BA, retired this summer after 35 years of counseling in the Spencer Community Schools. She previously taught in a couple of Iowa schools and in Illinois for a total of 41 years teaching.

'63 **Mary Furlong**, BA, served as a volunteer educational advisor in Zambia, Africa for more than two years. She was part of a pilot program that takes those with Grade 12 certificates and upgrades their skills to Grade 14 over two years of weekend classes to increase the number of teachers. More are dying of AIDS each year than those who graduate. She also helped to create the National Debate Council and served as its national secretary.

Doris Herington, BA, became the proud grandparent to twin girls this year.

Mike Schaumburg, BA, retired this summer after 40 years of service with the Des Moines Public Schools. He had been a teacher, coach and principal.

'64 **Steven**, BA, MA '73, and **Barbara (Brammer) Hoemann**, BA, live in Colorado.

Sen. Charles Grassley awarded honorary membership in UNI's Omicron Delta Kappa, leadership honor society

Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK), a national leadership honor society at the University of Northern Iowa, initiated 10 new student members and awarded honorary membership to a distinguished alumnus last fall.

U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley, who received B.A. and M.A.E. degrees from UNI, in 1955 and 1956, respectively, was inducted following his address to the organization. Dinner and formal induction of the new student members followed his remarks.

"Honorary membership may be awarded to someone who has shown outstanding leadership in the community," said Frank Thompson, ODK adviser and a UNI professor of finance. "The members chose to honor the senator in this way."

To qualify for membership, students must volunteer for campus and community services and leadership activities, demonstrate academic achievement and be a junior or senior. The organization was founded in 1914.



Steven continues to teach English at J.K. Mullen High School in Denver where he served as freshman retreat director this fall. In addition to his teaching duties, he is also a grader/reader for the Advanced Placement English Literature/Composition exam. Barbara retired from teaching and now works in a physician's office as his assistant.

Donald A. Wilson, BA, received the American Hospital Association's Board of Trustees Award. Wilson is president of the Kansas Hospital Association.

'65 **Alan Harms**, BA, MA '70, retired. He worked as a librarian at McNeese State University Library, Lake Charles, LA for 27 years. Most recently he had been assistant director. He and his wife Janet now live in Hendersonville, NC.

'66 **Bill Donohue**, BA, completed his 30th year as chief student affairs officer, and he will be working more now with parent relations and fund raising. He is at the North Carolina School of Arts. He has been a dean, vice president and vice chancellor.

Robert Kunkel, BA, retired this year after 38 years working in parks and recreation in Illinois. He lives in Park Ridge, IL.

'67 **Ruth Martin**, BA, MA '72, retired from Texas Tech University and is a professor emeritus. She lives in Lubbock, TX.

Richard Sackett, BA, MA '71, is a retired realtor at Cherokee Village, AR.

'68 **Sandra Bergmann Bielfield**, BA, lives in Miami, FL where her husband is a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch. She says her mother still lives in Tripoli, and her daughter is a music major at the University of Miami. Her son is in high school.

Marilyn (Hogue) Fields, BA, retired last year after teaching high school mathematics for 34 years, with 19 years at Madrid and 15 years at Storm Lake. She is now a part-time adjunct instructor for Iowa Central Community College, Storm Lake, where she and her husband Lowell live.

Barbara (Young) Nelson, BA, retired after 33 years of teaching. She now works part time in a law office and for a real estate educator.

James Stenseth, BA, is a retired teacher in Naperville, IL.

'69 **Constance (Trettin) Baylor**, BA, MA '72, retired from Dubuque Community Schools after teaching business education classes for 34 years.

William G. Johnson, MA, retired June 2 and lives in Amelia, OH. He acted as commander of the 400 member American Legion Post. He is a commissioner for the Buckeye Boys State.

Donald and Connie (Suthers) Patridge, BAs, both retired after more than 30 years teaching in the Davenport School District.

'70 **Patricia (Ites) Bennett**, BA, was named CIML Iowa Conference coach of the year for girls' tennis.

Robert Cooper, BA, will be president and CEO of a proposed new bank in Austin, MN. It will be called Community Bank and be chartered by Community National Bancorporation, Waterloo. Cooper is currently a vice president in commercial lending at a CNB affiliate.

Helen (Pruismann) Melichar, BA, MA '79, retired this summer from the Waterloo Community School District after 33 years as a teacher, principal and most recently the elementary curriculum coordinator.

Steve Ueltsch, BA, retired after teaching 33 years of mostly math in the Mediapolis school system. He plans to take a trip to Arizona, complete several construction jobs, volunteer at the school, fish and do some woodworking.

'71 **Richard Bennett**, BA, received the 2003 Webster County Special Achiever Award.

Margaret (Prince) Brinton, BA, authored *100 Little Language Lessons*, by Teaching and Learning Company, as a resource book for elementary teachers. She has also authored *Vocabulary in Context, grades 5-8* by McGraw Hill Children's Publishing.

Susan Burroughs, BA, reports she left Iowa in 1971 and worked as an accountant. In 1983, she became a flight attendant for Northwest Airlines. She moved back to Waterloo in 1998.

Carol (Butcher) Cahill, BA, is assistant dean of administration at the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL.

Janet (DeWall) Harms, MA, retired. She was an elementary school librarian with the Calcasieu Parish



County Schools in Louisiana for 25 years. She and her husband Alan now live in Hendersonville, NC.

Cherin (Young) Lee, BA, MA '82, is in her third year as chair of science education at UNI.

Robert Lee, BA, has relocated from teaching at Price Laboratory School to the School of HPELS at UNI.

'72 William Bravener, BA, is the director of music and associate in ministry for Calvary Lutheran Church, Brookfield, WI.

Pamela (Goeb) Jordan, BA, is serving her first term as supervisor for the Dickinson County Board of Supervisors. She is also a self-employed grant writing consultant.

Susan (Carey) Ladd, BA, recently received the Madelyn Levitt Employee Excellence Award at Drake University. She began the final year of her three-year assignment as project manager for the conversion and implementation of a new administrative/academic computer software.

'73 Margaret Riley, BA, director and assistant dean for study abroad at Duke University, became chairwoman of the Section on U.S. Students Abroad, a section of NAFSA: Association of International Educators.

'74 John Dinger, BA, completed his assignment as American Ambassador to Mongolia. He is now a deputy coordinator for counterterrorism in the State Department, Washington, D.C.

Karen (Ashbaugh) Maticic, BA, MA '76, works for IBM Software Group Business Development Alliance as a manager. She and her husband John and son live in Rochester, NY.

'75 Patricia (Petersen) Andersen, BA, joined the Oklahoma Hospital Association as vice president of finance and information services. She had been CFO and vice president of finance for Duncan Regional Hospital for nearly 18 years.

'76 Sandra (McGill) Barnhouse, BA, was elected to a three-year term as national secretary of the Two-year College English Association, a division of the National Council of Teachers of English. She has been an English instructor at Rowan Cabarrus Community College in North Carolina for ten years.

Pamela Lee Hunter, BA, works in the accounting department for Scheels All Sports, Coralville, IA. She lives in Iowa City with her daughter and German Shepherd.

Susan (Roberts) Oetken, BA, teaches elementary special education in Mason City. She also received National Board Certification in 2001.

Connie (Scherer) Sloan, BA, is vice principal at Merrill Middle School in Des Moines. She had been a 5th and 6th grade teacher.

Gary Telford, BA, is the activities director for the Ankeny schools.

'77 Lorrie (Lambert) Etheredge, BA, teaches world languages at Jones Junior High School, Dubuque.

Cherry (Burnham) Marsden, BA, teaches high school English and speech at Rockwell-Lytten High School. She is also the speech coach, play director and yearbook advisor.

Kevin and Jeanette (Fisher) Pollard, both BAs, have two sons in college. Kevin is president of Roy R. Fisher Inc., an appraisal firm while Jeanette is a substitute teacher and yoga instructor. They live in Davenport.

Terry Tomke, BA, is principal at Bishop Heelan High School, Sioux City. He has been a school administrator and teacher prior to this appointment.

Richard Whitehead, MA, is the new superintendent at

College Community School District. He had been a teacher, principal and superintendent for the past 32 years at CPU Schools.

'78 Gordon Druvenga, BA, accepted a position as director of trust accounting at the national office of the Evangelical Free Church of America, Bloomington, MN.

Carol (Bielema) Janvrin, BA, was appointed to the Friends of the Windmill Committee in Fulton, IL to promote tourism development. She also serves as an officer on the Board of Directors for the Martin House Museum.

Martha (Brown) Rowedder, MA, lives in Mill Hall, PA with her husband Mark.

Kathy Siemsen-Minde, BA, celebrated her 25th year with Lennox International, Richardson, TX.

Terrie Simpson, BA, has been a kindergarten teacher for the last 16 years at Nanai Kapono Elementary in Nanakuli, Hawaii.

'79 Patricia Drilling, BA, was promoted to director of real estate and property accounting for Kmart Corp.

Ron Grumm, BA, MA '85, a social studies teacher at Bellevue Middle School, has accepted his fourth foreign two-year teaching assignment. He and his wife Kathy will be teaching in Ecuador. Previously, they have taught in Korea, Saudi Arabia, and Pakistan.

Mark Rowedder, BA, received his doctorate in educational administration from Penn State University. He is currently the principal of Central Mountain Middle School, Mill Hall, PA.

'80 Jerry Ask, BA, has been the top U.S. broker with Princor for the last five years. He is the owner and president of Jerry K. Ask Investment Services. His firm is launching a new website and has built an office building it leases out.

Diane (Groe) Hitzfeld, BA, MBA '87, is the office manager at the Presbyterian Church of America. She lives in Georgia.

'81 Dave Schmitt, BA, is superintendent at Washington Community Schools. He had been with the Winterset schools. His wife Anita and four children are planning to build a house in Washington.

Lynne Wallace, BA, MA '02, became an elementary principal at Bedford School after 22 years teaching.

David Ziesmer, BA, MA '86, is the secondary school principal for Belmont-Klemme. He had been principal at Western Dubuque High School.

'82 Susan Dufel, BA, owns EBM-C-Equity Building Mortgage Consultant, Hudson. She had been teaching for 16 years.

Larry Mahoney, BA, lives and works in the Houston, TX area. He comes back to Iowa two to four times a year.

Clayton Suntken, BA, has been promoted to president of Woodmen Federal Credit Union, Omaha, NE.

'83 Rick Fleener, BA, was appointed district sales manager with Farm Bureau Financial Services, Des Moines.

Delores Hannon, MA, is president of St. Edmond Schools in Fort Dodge. She had been vice president of Sisters of Mercy in Cedar Rapids, and served as principal at several Catholic schools.

Traci L. Boerm Kullmer, BA, is a proofreader for Stamats Communications, Cedar Rapids. Her two daughters attend Benton Community.

Thomas Neville, BA, was promoted to senior associate at Auerbach, Pollock Friedlander, Minneapolis, MN. He is

in charge of the office for the central United States, which focuses on performing arts/media facilities planning and design.

'84 William Failor, BT, joined Peters Construction Corp. as a construction manager. He has 20 years experience in all phases of construction.

Susan Meyeraan, MBA, is a management consultant with Ruth Consulting Group. She had been assistant director of the Management and Professional Development Center at UNI.

Lorie Reins-Schweer, BA, joined Simmons, Perrine, Albright and Ellwood in their Cedar Rapids office as an associate. She holds a CPA and law degree. Previously, she worked in accounting and banking.

'85 Russel Adams, BA, a principal at MOC-Floyd Valley High School in Orange City, was one of 100 recipients of the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award. Each recipient is awarded \$25,000.

Kraig Emick, MA, was awarded the Keystone Award from Arts in the Park. He has been involved in music for the Jesup Schools since 1973, serving as band director for 27 years and vocal director for the last three years. He's also involved in community bands and served as choir and band director for Boys State.

Chris Kealy, BA, is working in Athens, Greece for the next three years as a U.S. tax partner for Ernst and Young.

Dan Leslie, BA, is the director of sales and new business development at MyHealthBank. He had been with Cap Gemini, Ernst & Young, the Health Plan Institute and Kaiser Permanente.

Jackie (Thompson) Luecht, BA, was named director of human resources at Mercy Medical Center, Mason City. She has been with Mercy in several positions since 1988.

Vaughn Klopfenstein, BA, is assistant general counsel and assistant secretary at Rockwell Collins Inc., Cedar Rapids.

'86 William Bealles, BA, is a production manager at the Malt-O-Meal Company, Northfield, MN. His family includes wife Janet and two sons.

Anne (Welp) Folkmann, BA, is a medical social worker at Mercy Medical Center. She, her husband Don, and daughter live in Luzerne.

Kathy Grumm, BA, MA '78, a teacher at Andrew Community School's preschool, has accepted her fourth foreign two-year teaching assignment. She and her husband Ron will be teaching in Ecuador. Previously, they have taught in Korea, Saudi Arabia, and Pakistan.

Scott Sloan, BA, became vice president of engineering and technical services at Titan Tire Corp., Des Moines. He has been at Titan for three years.

'87 Nick Daugherty, BM, serves as pastor of worship at Grace Evangelical Free Church, Mason City. He had been a band teacher for the past 16 years in northern Iowa.

Jolene (Rosonke) Denner, BA, MA '02, teaches at the TLC Preschool in New Hampton. She has 10 years of preschool experience.

Penny Larson, MA, is a speech language pathologist



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Reins-Schweer '84



Alumni eligible for Merchant Scholarship

University of Northern Iowa alumni are invited to apply for a 2004 Merchant Scholarship. Merchant Scholarship recipients must be attending or planning to attend a graduate or professional school at an educational institution in the United States or abroad.

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of ability, achievement, character, potential and service to society.

Applicants should request an application packet from Dr. Richard Followill, Head, CBA Finance, University of Northern Iowa, 308 Curris Business Building, Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0124. Followill is the Chairperson of the four-member 2004 Merchant Scholarship Committee.

The committee must receive the completed application form, along with transcripts and three letters of recommendation, no later than March 1, 2004.

with Midwest Rehab Professionals and lives in Shenandoah. She had worked in Rochester, MN, Heartland Health Systems in St. Joseph, MO and Research Medical Center, Kansas City, MO.

Michael A. Olson, BA, is vice president and security officer at Grinnell State Bank. He also serves as a major in the Iowa National Guard.

'88 Debra (Teig) Sand, BA, teaches kindergarten for the Cedar Falls Schools. She received her MA in education in 1999, and married Mark Sand in 2000. Their two sons were born in 2001 and 2003. They live in Denver.

Brigadier General Jodi Tymeson, BA, is assistant adjutant general in the Iowa Army National Guard and serves as State Representative in the Iowa House. Tymeson is the first female general in the Iowa Army National Guard. She resides near Winterset, IA with her husband, Brigadier General (retired) John Tymeson.

'89 Greg, BA, and **Maria (Dix) Brcka**, BA, live in Ankeny. Greg is a company claim representative at General Casualty Co. in West Des Moines. Maria is a human resources administrative manager at General Casualty.

Betty Giddings, BFA, was promoted to specialist II, graphics, at Waterloo Industries. She has been with the firm for 13 years.

Christina Hicks, BM, joined the Jefferson Elementary staff in Clinton as a music instructor and is working with the Talent Enrichment Program. She had been in Cherokee teaching middle school music.

Nick Hobbs, MA, is the new superintendent at Marion schools. He has 14 years of school administrative experience, most recently at Bettendorf. He is currently finishing his doctoral dissertation.

Gerald Meyer, BA, has taken leave from his position as a history teacher in Columbus, NE to serve with the Army in Afghanistan. In 2000, he and his students created a wartime memorial to honor Columbus native Andrew Higgins and the boats he created for WWII. It is located in West Pawnee Park, Columbus, NE.

John Poepsel, BA, accepted a promotion to country director for the International Republican Institute in Ulaan Bataar, Mongolia. He had been serving as deputy country director in Kyiv, Ukraine since 1999.

'90 Brenton Oxenreider, BA, works at County Chrysler, Hamburg, PA as a finance manager.

'91 Barbara Agan-Timmins, BA, joined Music on the Go, which teaches preschoolers music appreciation and musical instruments. She had been the center director for Kids' Connection Preschool, Altoona.

Janet (Rabb) Bealles, BA, is a speech and language pathologist in the Lakeview School District, Battle Creek, MI. Her family includes husband William and two sons.

Julie Dougherty, BA, teaches the Shared Visions preschool program at Epworth Elementary. She has taught at Alburnett schools.

Timothy Eschweiler, BA, joined Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith and Frederick as an associate in their Duluth, MN office. He specializes in real estate, municipal finance and commercial finance law.

Shane, BA, and **Mollie (Dewoody) Grosse**, BA, live in Denver with their two children. He works at the family business, Grosse Steel Co. in Cedar Falls, and operates a farm/livestock operation.

Todd Havel, BA, began the school year as assistant high school principal and athletic director at Humboldt High School. He spent the last 10 years as teacher and coach at Belmond-Klemme. He, his wife Brenda and three children all moved to Humboldt.

Dave Joynt, BA, is production manager at Winnebago Industries, Forest City. He had been production manager of metal stamping. He, his wife Michell, and two children live in Garner.

Jane (Honkamp) Miller, joined Struxture Architects as an interior designer. She has 10 years residential and commercial experience.

Kristen (Sievers) Morrison, BA, was promoted to the newly created product marketing team at the Omaha World-Herald newspaper. She had done the organizational and product redesign of the employment advertising area.

Kendall Pruisner, BA, joined Wells Fargo Home Mortgage, Cedar Falls, as a home mortgage consultant. He has 12 years experience in mortgage lending.

Todd Rullestad, BA, is the assistant network administrator for the Iowa Insurance Division. He lives in Ankeny.

'92 Janet (Havens) Folkerts, MA, is an educational consultant for AEA 267 and lives in Klemme.

David Jacoby, BS, was elected to the Iowa State Legislature as House Representative for District 30, which represents Coralville, Iowa City, North Liberty, and Penn Township. He had been a Coralville City Council member.

Matthew Lindaman, BA, MA '95, is an instructor in the

History Department at Winona State University.

Kurt Schmitz, BA, is the national sales manager for VGM Financial Services, Waterloo.

Jason Streed, BA, began as assistant coordinator, admissions, for Hawkeye Community College, Waterloo. He had worked with the educational talent search program at UNI's Center for Urban Education.

'93 Lori Cole, BA, is with the Bradshaw, Fowler, Proctor and Fairgrave law firm in Des Moines. She had been a lawyer with EMC Insurance Co.

Amy (Law) Doll, BA, is a direct response copywriter for NCMIC Group, Inc., Clive.

Dean Eyles, BA, joins Gray Plant and Mooty law firm, Minneapolis. He focuses his practice in the business and general litigation area.

Brady Gruhn, BA, MA '95, is the branch manager of Steinert Mortgage. He and his wife Christine live in Cedar Falls.

Matthew Hodge, BA, returned from a six-month peacekeeping mission in Kosovo. He and his wife Karee are moving to the Rock Island Arsenal where he will be contracting officer.

Angela (Schmitt) Holzer, BA, is a Spanish teacher at NS-RF Schools. She and her husband Jeff have four children, and they live in Charles City.

Christopher Manahan, BA, was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest and will be serving the St. Francis Mission, St. Francis, SD.

Steve Wilson, BA, lives in Mankato, MN with his wife Laura. He substitute teaches while concentrating on his art. He now is working in oils and has had several shows and exhibits of his work.

'94 Anthony Asmus, BA, took over as principal of Martensdale-St. Mary's Elementary School, Indianola. He has taught eighth grade English at Indianola Middle School.

Ron Dunt, BA, is the city manager for the City of Hampton. He had been the Franklin County Assessor. He, his wife Krista, and two daughters live in Hampton.

Kara (Rathmell) Lindaman, BA, MA '96, teaches in the Political Science Department at the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse.

Gregory O'Connell, BA, is teaching first grade at Grant Wood Elementary, Cedar Rapids, and is working on his master's in principalship at UNI.

Melissa Rigney, MA, received her PhD in English Literature from the University of Nebraska.

Denise (Hagen) Yeager, serves as RSPV communications/operations coordinator.

'95 Kristin (Fox) Cook, BA, is the principal at Worsham Elementary School, part of the Aldine Independent School District, Houston, TX.

Rebecca Fabricius, BA, began a Spanish immersion school in Dubuque. She currently serves as lead teacher at Our Lady of Guadalupe School.

Brett Hansen, BA, is the office manager at Union National Bank, Correctionville. He had been a vice president. He lives in Correctionville with his wife Shari and two children.

Dawn Henley, BA, teaches first grade at South Tama Schools. She had taught in Independence for six years.

Julie Johnson, BA, is assistant principal at South High School, Omaha, NE. This is her eighth year in the Omaha school district. She and her husband Dean live in Omaha.

Sara Kobe, BA, lives with her husband and son in Iowa Falls.

Steve Petersen, BA, is the captain and incoming



commander of the Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, 1st U.S. Army Support Battalion, Multinational Force and Observers in Egypt.

James T. Wolf, BA, is the K-12 guidance counselor at Ventura Community Schools. He recently graduated with his master's in counseling and guidance from Buena Vista University.

'96 Heath Bohlen, BA, returned home after serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Harry Truman. He had been stationed in the Mediterranean Sea and the Arabian Gulf.

Jennifer (Weber) Erich, BS, is a senior geologist with ExxonMobil Exploration Co., Houston, TX.

Richard Grisel, BA, was appointed director of admissions at Antioch University, Santa Barbara, CA.

Stacy McIntosh Holt, BA, works for the Tony Award winning "The Children's Theatre Company" of Minneapolis. She just finished work on the Broadway production of "A Year with Frog and Toad."

Kathleen (Nielsen) Leo, BA, received her master's in English from Iowa this summer. She then married and began teaching seventh grade language arts at Johnston Middle School.

Gene Rhea, BA, was appointed vice president and branch manager of Northeast Security Bank, Fredericksburg.

Tracey (Julius) Skjeveland, BA, was promoted to director of finance for a Minneapolis law firm. She married in 2002.

'97 Steven Beard, BA, was hired as the head varsity football coach at his former high school in Woodstock, IL. Steven was a quarterback for UNI in 1996.

Catherine Ebert, BA, has worked at Pathways Behavioral Services as a substance abuse counselor for the past six years.

Karen Fenske, BA, is the director at Pro Links Sports, and works with the PGA Champions Tour Event Operation. She lives in Cedar Park, TX.

Joshua Hagen, BA, graduated from the University of Wisconsin, Madison, with a doctorate degree in geography. He, his wife Rachel, and daughter moved to Huntington, WV where he accepted a position at Marshall University.

Paul Mahoney, BA, is the technology and special projects coordinator at Montezuma Community Schools.

Amy Moine, BA, became a principal at Fredericksburg Elementary. She had been a third grade teacher in Charles City.

Jason Pollard, BA, joins his father's dental practice in Boone. He recently graduated from the University of Iowa College of Dentistry.

'98 Kelli Kramer Angley, BA, is a teacher with Roosevelt Elementary in Nebraska. She was recently honored as a Star of Education by the local cable station, KXVO. Kelli was nominated by her students and chosen to represent the Council Bluffs district.

Heath Bullock, BA, earned his Society of Industrial and Office Realtors certification. He works for CB Richard Ellis/Hubbell Commercial in Des Moines.

David Gabel, BA, is a resident in the Mercy Family Medicine Residency Program at Mercy Medical Center, Mason City.

Ellen (Loux) Krumm, BA, received her MA in education from Viterbo. She is a seventh grade special education teacher at Johnston Middle School. She and her husband Troy live in Ankeny.

Mark Peltz, BA, was appointed director of Luther College's Career Center. He had been associate director

of the University of Florida's Graduate Business Career Services.

Jeremy Rasmussen, BA, is an ag banker with Wells Fargo Bank, Waterloo. He's getting married in June 2004.

Kevin Teno, MA, is the principal for the Shelby County Catholic Schools. He had been the curriculum director for Kuemper Catholic Schools. He, his wife Diane and their two children live in the Harlan area.

James Young, BM, is the new band director at Clinton Schools. He will be working with the jazz band and pep band.

'99 Heather Bjella, BA, practices patent and trademark law at McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Chicago, IL.

Jennifer (Miller) Den Hartog, BA, was awarded the ICTE Barbara Schubert Future Leader in Language Arts Award. She is a third grade teacher at Pleasant View School, Pleasant Valley.

Dianna Fitzl, BA, is the senior accountant for the Faribault, Minnesota Public Schools.

Molly Graettinger, BA, teaches Spanish at Spencer High School. She has taught Spanish for five years in other schools.

Cybrill Livingood-Smith, BA, is a research assistant in the Alumni Office at Upper Iowa University. Her husband Steve works as a marketing assistant for Waverly Plastics.

Jennifer Mumm, BA, joins her father's law practice in Missouri Valley.

Brian Tenge, BA, BS, is a project manager with Kirk Gross Co., Waterloo.

'00 Matt Coss, BA, was promoted to sports editor for the Mason City Globe Gazette. He had been assistant sports editor and has received four Iowa Newspaper Association Awards while at the newspaper.

Caleb Ewers, BA, returned from a nine month stint aboard the ships of the USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group, who participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Meredith Hansen, BS, joined the Cedar Falls Health Center as a dietary manager. She had worked at Community Hospital, Pittsfield, IL.

Brent Hinson, BA, is the finance director for the city of Iowa Falls. He had been a project coordinator and administrative assistant for both the Iowa Department of Elder Affairs and the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals.

Rachel Martin, BA, teaches high school Spanish in Emerson, NE. She is working on her master's in ESL at Wayne State.

Ivy Sprague, BA, was promoted to director of marketing and communications for the Waverly Municipal Hospital.

Christine Taber, BA, is teaching in the deaf and hard-of-hearing program at the elementary school in Chariton.

Ryan Traetow, BA, works with Maritz Travel as a travel director, and travels worldwide doing event, meeting and incentive travel programs for companies.

'01 Katie (Reeder) Arjes, BA, lives in Waverly and works at the Black Hawk-Grundy Mental Health Center as a community support specialist.

Ryan Arnfelt, BA, is sales manager at Best Buy, Waterloo.

Brad Best, BA, a project manager for Peters Construction Corp, has passed the first step of his qualification process towards receiving his Certified Professional Constructor designation.

David and Jolene (Sutter) Buchheit, BA, married last year. She is a Mary Kay Consultant and a social worker for Families First, Waterloo. He is responsible for the used inventory at Mark Zimmerman Ford, Cedar Rapids.

Sharing a positive experience

A generous gift from a soldier serving in Iraq translates to help for study-abroad students. "I have three wonderful years of UNI memories," explains First Lieutenant Joshua L. Bastman, BA '01. "Dances in the quad, welcome week parties, the community support of Cedar Falls—somebody should be thanked for this."

Now stationed in Baghdad, Bastman has made a generous pledge to provide a scholarship for students studying abroad in Spain. "I want other students to be afforded the opportunity to experience Spain and love it like I do. Why not give back to UNI?"

Todd Carter, BA, is a marketing specialist for KPWB 23, Warner Brothers Television. He is also a free lance portrait illustration artist.

Jeffrey Danielson, BA, was appointed to a four-year term with the Iowa Department of Transportation Commission in May 2003. He lives in Waterloo.

Hoaggie Haughey, BA, is stationed at Camp Brave Rifles, west of Baghdad, Iraq. He is part of the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment.

Michelle Hoffman, BA, was promoted to admissions representative at Hamilton College.

Rustin Lippincott, BA, was named marketing director for the Cedar Valley Catholic Schools. He had been marketing director for Dyton.

Steve McGrew, BA, teaches social studies at Charles City High School.

Sarah Oltroge, BA, joined Agape Therapy in Cedar Falls.

Sarah Otting, BA, is pursuing her master of arts in pastoral studies at Loyola University, Chicago.

Jason Strub, BA, is teaching fifth grade at East Elementary, Waukon. He had taught at Clarion-Goldfield Schools.

'02 Tim Bakula, joined UNI as student employment coordinator in the Financial Aid Office. He's currently a grad student.

Teresa Barrett, BA, was named coordinator at the Stork's Nest, part of Operation Threshold in Waterloo. She had been with Union Planters Bank.

Dawn Breakenridge, BA, is on staff as a program manager for the Conestoga Council of Girl Scouts, Waterloo.

Adam Briddell, BA, works and attends graduate school in Washington, D.C.

Dan Butler, is a third grade teacher at Epworth Elementary.

Heather Delamore, BA, teaches reading and gifted and talented students at the Meskwaki Settlement School, Tama.

Dacia Halford, BA, joined Hamilton College as an admissions representative.

Scott Hirschman, BA, was promoted from bartender to assistant manager at Beck's Sports Grill, Waterloo.



Lucas Jennings, BA, is the K-12 art teacher at North Kossuth.

Thomas Jorgensen, BA, works for the Crittenton Center, Sioux City, as a caseworker and provides in-home family services, tracer services and crisis intervention.

Cori Kuhn, BA, is in her second year of law school at Drake.

Bill and Kristin McLeland, BA, are both teaching in Charles City. Bill is the second grade teacher at Washington Elementary and Kristin is the kindergarten through second grade teacher at the Alpha and Omega Christian School.

Troy Matthaidess, BA, teaches high school math at Clarion-Goldfield schools. He is also the cross country coach.

Jennifer Morris, BA, teaches middle school math as well as sixth grade social studies, science and spelling at St. John Elementary School, Independence.

Rachel Nehl, BA, joined The VGM Group as a graphic designer.

Hollie Rand, BA, is a mortgage loan officer at U.S. Bank, Waterloo.

Darrick Reed, BA, works as a human resources manager for Cintas Corp., Olathe, KS.

Angela Reifenrath, BA, coaches high school volleyball and is the media aide at Gladbrook-Reinbeck Schools.

Ryan Rezac, BA, is the physical education and health teacher at the new Valley Lutheran High School, Cedar Falls. He had been a teacher at Eldora-New Providence.

Amanda Schiller, BA, is teaching life, earth and physical sciences in Marquette.

Nate Tibben, BA, joined PIPAC as a group marketing assistant. He recently became a licensed life, health and annuities agent.

'03 Nathan Albaugh, BA, is the newest member of the Bellevue Police Department.

Jared Arieux, BA, teaches secondary language arts at Olin schools.

Becca Bonestroo, BA, is the new director of Tots on Ten, Paullina.

Bryce Callison, BA, joins Benton Schools as a junior high technology teacher and a Spanish teacher. He also is the assistant coach for the 8th grade volleyball team.

Jen Dibble, BA, is a direct marketing account executive at The Mudd Group, Cedar Falls.

Nick Engle, BA, earned the Dr. Robert E. Federhan Memorial Scholarship to attend Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, TN.

Melissa Feilmeier, BA, is teaching high school social studies in Villisca.

Pamela Hartman, BA, is the new science teacher at West Central High School, Maynard.

Chris Knudson, MA, was named web developer/manager at Wartburg College.

Carya Kramer, BA, joined the Keota schools and is teaching social studies, government and western civilization.

Curtis Martinek, BA, joins South Tama Schools in the Math department.

Kim (Loewen) Ross, MA, teaches science at Charles City High School.

Brad Scardino, BA, joined DuTrac Community Credit Union, Dubuque, as marketing coordinator.

Jamie Schissel, BA, received a Fulbright scholarship, which will send her to central Germany as a teaching assistant in conversational English and American studies. She began training in Cologne, Germany this fall.

David Steege, BA, is a programmer I, AS400/1-Series, at Waterloo Industries, Waterloo.

UNI graduate receives Fulbright scholarship to study in Germany

Jamie Schissel, a 2003 University of Northern Iowa graduate from Dubuque, received a Fulbright scholarship for the 2003-2004 academic year. The grant sent her to central Germany, where she will be a teaching assistant through the Padagogischer Austauschdienst (PAD) program. The PAD sends recent graduates to Germany to assist in teaching conversational English and American studies to German students of varying ages.

Schissel, who received her B.A. in German in May, began training in Cologne, Germany in September. She serves as a teaching assistant for 12 hours per week and moderates a conversation and culture group with

the students. She says she hopes her experience in Germany will help her with further studies in linguistics and second language acquisition.

While UNI has had a number of faculty teaching in foreign countries through the Fulbright program since its inception in 1946, Schissel is believed to be the first UNI student to receive such an honor. The Fulbright commission offers more exchanges to Germany than any other participating country. The Fulbright Program's mission is "to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries, through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills."

Christine Thorington, BA, joined Peoples Advantage Mortgage, Davenport.

Kevin Trotter, BA, joined the art department in the Clinton Schools.

Erica Vogt, BA, is a 4th grade teacher at Cedar Valley Christian School, Cedar Rapids.

Jessica Winkelman, BA, has undertaken a Church of the Brethren Volunteer Service assignment with Sports4Kids in Oakland, CA.

Kelly Winter, teaches sixth grade social studies and seventh grade geography at Adel Middle School.



Winkelman '03

Diana Brown **Jill Roethler** BA '91 & Mark Frein **Jane Schwienbart** BA '91 & Patrick Rogers **Ruth Lunsford** BA '92 & Scott Edlin **Angela Voss** BA '92 & Jay Dann **Steven Henneberry** BA '92 & Machel Buseman **Joan Welter** BA '92 & Lee Hoerner **John Holland** BA '92 MA '95 & Michelle Clark **Paula Menster** BA '93 & Herbert Fedder **Brenda Schminke** BA '93 & Douglas Slivinski **Darcie Novotny** BA '93 MA '96 & Vincent McGee **Jeff Wendel** BA '93 & **Michelle Tosel** BA '97 **Joel Van Haften** BA '93 & **Jennifer Stephens** BA '93 **Jolanda Parrett** BA '94 MA '00 & Dennis Mihalovich **Joey Seaman** BA '94 & Craig Plummer **Daniel Pals** BA '94 & Erin McQuillen **Michael Schneider** BA '94 & Ann Cruz **Michael Murcure** BA '94 & **Audra Morrisey** BA '97 **Peggy Kennedy** BA '94 & Jeff Gaul **Chad Hagarty** BA '94 & Jenny Harris **Karen Wood** BA '95 & Kenneth Grothe **Heather Eccles** BA '95 & Troy DeJooe **Chad Peterson** BA '95 & Tara Anderesen **Eric Hodgson** BA '95 & Cheryl Kurtz **Derek Adams** BA '95 & Angela Johnson **Brian Byrnes** BA '95 & Cindi Ferguson **Tracey Julius** BA '96 & Hugh Sjevland **Kathleen Nielsen** BA '96 & Tony Leo **Brooke Vannatta** BA '96 & Warren Carlson **Lori Duesing** BA '96 & Ken Knief **David Swanson** BA '96 & **Jennifer Grittman** BA '98 **Stacie Willenborg** BA '96 & Erik Hull **Brett Tjaden** BA '96 & **Jennifer Moon** BA '95 **Tracey Rolling** BA '96 & Nik Godon **Tara Boyles** BA '96 & Jason Witham **Karina Kuehl** BA '97 & Jeremy Bauswell **Erin Bartlett** BA '97 & Brian Straw **Jeanette Hickman** BA '97 & Bryan Cornforth **Wendy Johnson** BA '97 & Mike Childers **Zachary Irvine** BA '97 & Mindy Rohrbeck **Julie Hartema** BA '97 & Andrew Borunda **Heather Jorgensen** BA '97 & Rob Ransom **Traci Ristau** BA '97 & Allan Ludwig **Angela McNurten** BA '97 & Steve Bex **Michelle Stewart** BA '97 & Martin Postma **Nathan Price** BA '97 & **Kimberly Edwards** BA '98 MA '99 **Mark Strassburg** BA '97 & **Nicole Carlo** BA '00 **Michelle Jensen** BA '97 & Nic Nelson **Daryl Lowe** BA '97 & **Brenda Edson** BA '00 **Mark Baas** BA '97 MA '99 & Becky Trenary MA '99 **Elliott**

Marriages

'70s **Marilyn Carson** BA '71 & Thomas Ferguson **Nancy Newton** BA '72 MA '75 & Mick Puckett **Betty Gienau** BA '74 & Larry Wycoff BA '74 **Thomas Heyenga** BA '74 & Kris Schultz **Michael Freese** BA '75 & Nealene Maurer **Jerry Bisher** BA '78 & **Julie Christy** BA '79 **Susan Quirk** BA '79 & Jim Powers

'80s **Bruce Roth** BA '81 & Jody Mony **Nancy Whitcher** BA '82 & Daniel Foe **Daryl Kruse** BA '85 & Sarah Wilde **Barbara Strubel** BA '87 & Patrick Kayser **Lynn Schuster** BA '87 & Ron Calonder **Philip Jameison Jr** BA '88 & **Lisa Boleyn** BA '88 **Amy Steffen** BA '88 & Greg Clay

'90s **Eugene Westendorf** BA '90 & Denise Brus **Lori Schwarzkopf** BA '90 & Marc Miller **Brian Blum** BA '90 & Donna Brindmour **Brenton Oxenreider** BA '90 & Christine Oxenreider **Daniel Ziesmer** BA '91 & Michelle Klaas **Rullestad Todd** BA '91 & Ashley Tilka **Donald Recker** BA '91 &



Mapes BA '97 & Chasity Thompson **Jay Heimsoth** BA '97 & Melissa Myers **Kecia Ross** BA '98 & Jay Appleby **Angela Lalan** BA '98 & Christopher Kliewer **Teresa Hippen** BA '98 & Christopher Heesch **David Driscoll Jr** BA '98 & **Jodi Roethler** BA '98 **Sara Brua** BA '98 & Lance Fredericksen **Jennifer Gaarrard** BA '98 & Mark Lasater **Jacey Hook** BA '98 & Jason Fischer **Elizabeth Petri** BA '98 & Dennis Maggio **Kelly Schmitz** BA '98 & Stephen Henderson **Valerie Jenkins** BA '98 & Yannis Brownell **Amy Edgerly** BA '98 & Tyler James **Elizabeth Geelan** BA '98 & Michael Alesch **Kathryn Warren** BA '98 & Todd Hermansen **Jennifer Truax** BA '98 & Chad Lassen **Alissa Suthers** BA '99 & Jeff Jirak **Trudy Thoma** BA '99 & Olivier Perdrix **Sarah Gibbs** BA '99 & Curt Wymer **Kyle Wilcox** BA '99 & Kristen Richardson **Dara Cockrum** BA '99 & Chad Bartels **Jocelyn Peitz** BS '99 & Lance Lenhart **Melissa Schnoor** BA '99 & Richard Schumaker **Lauren Burger** BA '99 MA '00 & Jay Templeman **Jody Oeth** BA '99 & Braden Boyd **Kirk Hillard** BS '99 & Maria Hlas BA '01 **Amy Nolte** BA '99 & Brian Feld **Brant Miller** BA '99 & Suzanne Brimhall BA '99 **Tonya Weidemann** BA '99 & John Davis BA '99 **Alex Mullan** BFA '99 & Susie McGhee BA '98 **Julie McWeeny** BA '99 & Michael Miller **Courtney Johnson** BA '99 MA '01 & Gabriel Wilson **Sarah Zimmerman** BA '99 & Bill Bond **Michael Weiglein** BA '99 & Hayley Peek **Geoffrey Hunerdosse** BA '99 & Marianne Smysor **Ryan Jones** BA '99 & Ellie Jones **Greg Smith** BA '99 & **Leah Lukes** BA '00 **Sara Kohnen** BA '99 & Robert Hofer **Kristin Kelly** BA '99 & Scott Chapman **Curtis Schares** BA '99 & **Jennifer Jackson** BA '01 **Jill Levendusky** BA '99 & Bradley White **Nathan Quayle** BA '99 & Kristen Hoff **Jennifer Mueller** BS '95 & Jason Boaz

'00s Anne Thompson BA '00 & Michael Hedrick **Katie Koble** BA '00 & Joel Walsworth **Clint Jensen** BS '00 & **Amy Zimmerman** BA '00 **Sherman Newkirk** BA '00 & Elaine Cunningham **Katie Collison** BA '00 & T.J. Heiter **John (Jake) Austin** BA '00 & Sarah Lagrange **Ryan Wieseler** BA '00 & **Kyanna Petersen** BA '00 **Eric Harksen** BA '00 & **Erin Langfitt** BA '00 **Rebecca Glace** BA '00 & Lucas Bartlett **Lisa Davidson** BA '00 & Matthew Johanson **Jody Greiner** BA '00 & Shawn Phillips **Stephanie Peterson** BA '00 & Matthew Thoma **Eric Pratt** BA '00 & Amanda Yenger **Katie Eckhart** BA '00 & Joseph Fitzgerald **Theresa Routh** BA '00 & Kent Chapman **Jeremy Crook** BA '00 & **Kari Thilges** BA '00 **Matthew Minahan** BA '00 & **Melissa Mausser** BA '00 **Katie Maxon** BA '00 & Todd Sonsalla **Austin Lorenzen** BA '00 & **Megan Boote** BA '03 **Jeremy Kessens** BA '00 & Christine Merfeld **Kyle Winter** BA '00 & Elizabeth Hartley **Erin McElroy** BA '00 & Peter Parra **Melissa Becker** BA '00 & Paul Deiters **Karen Gallagher** BA '00 & Grant Pyron **Jennifer Groteluschen** BA '00 & Jason August **Matthew Wertz** BA '00 & **Molly Buckner** BA '99 **Kelly Wilhelm** BA '00 & Michael Karcher **Julie Spittal** BA '00 & Adam Schneider **Kyle Ervin** BA '00 & **Sara Ehrecke** BA '01 **Julie Bauer** BA '01 & Anthony Garry **Thomas Hansen** BS '01 & **Melissa Hanlon** BA '00 **Emily Bateman** BA '01 & Brian Becker **Kimberly Knutson** BA '01 & Taylor Bear **Nathan Buchholz** BA '01 & **Nicole Husak** BA '01 **Jana Hamm** BA '01 & Eric Troendle **Kara Stoermer** BA '01 & Eric Clark **Rachel Wingert** BA '01 & David Kimball **Jill Dickey** BA '01 & Todd Roberts **Josh Peters** BA '01 & **Lindsay Schaefer** BA '01 **Nicole**

Wehr BA '01 & Patrick Stoutner **Jason Chalupsky** BA '01 & **Stacy Monk** BA '02 **Matt Koopman** BA '01 & **Megan Jones** BA '01 **Lyndsay Tjaden** BA '01 & Edward Blackwood **Jeremy Jones** BA '01 & **Michelle Reiseck** BA '02 **Nicole Tunning** BA '01 & Nolan Stribe **Angela DeShaw** BA '01 & Gary Blight **Kevin Prevo** BA '01 & Angela Zeitler **Christina Hobbs** BA '01 & Darren Bare **Stacie Savits** BA '01 & Derek York **Debra Dumler** BA '01 & Tony Kisch **Shannan Magee** BA '01 & Matthew Anfinson **Kara Case** BA '01 & Jarrod Sieben **Jennifer Wasoba** BA '01 & Jason Liles **Alyssa Petersen** BA '01 & Travis Wildeboer **Justin Andersen** BA '01 & **Heidi Dorenkamper** BA '99 **Katie Harms** BA '01 & Erin Lyons **Robyn Like** BA '01 & Travis Ponder **Erin McNaughton** BA '01 & Nicholas Lehman **Joseph Gaffney** BA '01 & **Mary Ann Galbraith** BA '95 **Eric McCollough** BA '01 & **Angela Bucklin** BA '00 **Michael Wiethorn** BS '01 & Debra Schaefer **Joelle Mixdorf** BM '01 & Floyd Smith **Todd Reed** BA '01 & Cheryl O'Loughlin **Michele O'Neil** BA '01 & Casey Doyle **Brock Traetow** BA '01 & **Megan Ruiter** BA '02 **Jennifer Wagner** BA '01 & Jason Hillebrand **Dan Engstler** BA '01 & Heidi Richardson **Tim Waskow** BA '01 & **Lucia Alessio** BA '01 **Jonna Mauch** BA '01 & Jeremy Hayes **Leah Buhmann** BA '01 & Timothy Schneider **Lee Howard** BS '01 & **Kari Mitchell** BA '02 **Kelly Donovan** BA '01 & Jeremy Fohrt **Katie Noring** BA '02 & Wes Nyberg **Sarah Smith** BA '02 & Travis Adolphs **Nadine Silver** BA '02 & Kraig Meyers **Matthew Meyers** BS '02 & **Tara Sutherland** BA '02 **Alexa Sibley** BA '02 & Eric Hoffman **Adam Nosbisch** BS '02 & **Rachel Barry** BA '02 **Jessica Simmer** BA '02 & Erik Bergman **Heather Stenk** BA '02 & **Amanda Hobson** BA '02 **Erin Baty** BA '02 & Solomon Miller **Laurie Steffen** BA '02 & Jered Birt **Carmen Oswald** BA '02 & Chad Wilson **Lindee Petersen** BA '02 & Michael Flater **Wendy Wood** BA '02 & Aric Steffens **Kyle Sellner** BA '02 & Mariel Froelich **Mitchell Gustin** BA '02 & Lora Kalb **Jaime Tokheim** BA '02 & Brent Bonner **Jeff Buckles** BA '02 & **Jennifer Moore** BA '02 **Justin Michael** BA '02 & **Darla Kaisand** BA '02 **Jennifer Sanersfeld** BA '02 & George Erwin **Candace Weiland** BA '02 & Paul Daniels **Rita Kruger** BA '02 MSW '02 & Nicholas Burley **Kathleen Doran** BA '02 & Matthew Drey **Beth Volker** BA '02 & David Becker **Jessica Smith** BA '02 & Steven Schmitt **Sarah Buelow** BA '02 & Mark Sinnott **Heather Heishman** BA '02 & Benjamin Davis **Jill Ellis** BA '02 & Christopher Ergenbright **Steve Bush** BA '02 & Magan Wilkerson **Eric Knoblock** BA '02 & Nicholle Nerland **Kris Seitz** BA '02 & **Amy Sadler** BA '00 **Jessica Wolter** BA '02 & Ian Wass **Allison Bahl** BA '02 & Andrew Flancha **Sarah Allen** BM '02 & Austin Temperley **Lindsay Swales** BA '02 & Clint Cota **Traci Forke** BA '02 & Kent Wittrock **Sara Hansen** BA '02 & Beau Buettner **Melissa Kress** BA '02 & Mark Kane **Kelly Arlen** BA '02 & Austin Sorgenfrey **Chad Soppe** BA '02 & Jessica Schiesl **Dallas Bergstrom** BA '02 & **Sara Strayer** BA '02 **Matthew Degner** BA '02 & **Katherine Krummel** BA '03 **McKenzie Kay** BA '02 & Mike Cutkomp **Jeffrey Chamberger** BS '02 & Jodi Fenton **Adam Riley** BA '02 & **Jessica Neavins** BA '02 **Andy Grunhovid** BA '02 & **Kelly Parkins** BA '02 **Alissa Riese** BA '02 & Brady Stewart **Brian Mulligan** BA '02 & **Jody Johnston** BA '02 **Derek Conley** BA '02 & **Kari Millang** BA '03 **Peter Thomsen** BA '02 & Sara Seda **Sean Grant** BA '02 & Brittany Lang **Karla Devries** BA '03 & Jacob Altenbaumer **Christopher Schmit** BA '03 & **Bethanie Langner** BA '03 **Kevin**

Converse BA '03 & Sara Schroeder **Michael Bushby** BA '03 & **Sara Hunter** BA '02 BA '03 **Karen Hatting** BA '03 & Eric Smidt **Kimberly Lucas** BA '03 & Tucker Anderson **Tim O'Neill** BA '03 & Julie Stangl **Lynelle Keeney** BM '03 & Colin Rowley **Kristen Barnett** BA '03 & Justin Clark **Jenny Hoffman** BA '03 & Jasen Tiefenthaler **Lisa Gaul** BA '03 & Jason Diers **Jaime Pomeroy** BA '03 & Paul Tigges **Andrea Briley** BA '03 & Cory Gerleman **Kevin Kopp** BA '03 & **Katie Buelow** BA '03 **Anthony McKillip** BA '03 & Nicole Zern **Brian Powers** BA '03 & Jill Sutter **Ryan Schmit** BA '03 & Nikki Patterson **Laura Smith** BA '03 & Chad Wroe **Doug Karsjens** BA '03 & Kerri Kittelson **Sara Shanley** BM '03 & Jason Danielson **Chad McDermott** BA '03 & Danette Sundheim **Meghan Clausen** BA '03 & Brian Lynch **David Rue** BA '03 & **Sara Roberts** BA '03 **Joshua Van Kley** BA '03 & **Angela Hinderaker** BA '02 **Christopher Poyner** BA '03 & Michelle Hannan **Chad Haskell** BA '03 & **Ashley Hermann** BA '03

Births

'80s Jason Fort, BA '85 & Janet Natvig Fort, Cedar Falls, IA son Cooper born 8/3/03. **Ingrid Verbraak Redecker** BA '86 & Bob Redecker, Bettendorf, IA, son Joseph born 11/1/01. **Jeff Fisel** BA '86 & **Wanda Bast Fisel** BA '89 Cedar Falls IA daughter Alanna born 7/17/03. **Gregory Wilson** BA '86 & Joan Wilson, Johnston, IA, son Nathan born 10/31/02. **Tracy Borlaug Pursell**, BA '86 & Wade Pursell Houston, TX, son Joshua born 8/29/03. **Timothy Johnson** BA '87 & Tammy Johnson, Essex, IA, son Wesley born 7/19/02. **Melissa Simon Osborne** BA '87 & Jeff Osborne Russellville, AR, daughter Hannah born 8/26/03. **Janice Coleman Dickerson** BA '88 & Scott Dickerson, Atlantic, IA, son Beau born 4/4/03. **Kristy Cose Schinder** BA '88 & Randy Schneider, Cedar Falls, IA, son Alec born 6/30/03. **James West** BA '88 & Debra West, Omaha, NE, son Jacob born 12/6/02. **Tresa Stream Dietrich**, BA '88, MA '98, & Brad Dietrich, Manly, IA, daughter Emme born 2/24/03. **Keri Gilbertson Warren**, BA '88 & **Mark Warren** BA '91, Waterloo, IA, daughter Mandi born 4/15/03. **Steven Colander** BA '89, & Trisha Willey Colander, Sumner, IA, son Aidan born 6/6/03.

'90s Dan Glascock BA '90, BA '96, & **Stacy Miller Glascock**, BA '91, BA '96, Cedar Falls, IA, son Alex born 5/31/03. **Jacqueline Bohr Hartman**, BA '90, & Thomas Hartman, Urbandale, IA, son Zachary born 11/19/02. **Thomas Anderson**, BA '90 & Mary Gilchrist Anderson, Huntersville, NC, son Benjamin born 3/13/02. **Michael Hayes**, BA '90 & **Kari Peterson Hayes**, BA '88, Cedar Falls, IA, son Gabriel born 6/28/03. **Lisa Atkinson Hoefler**, BA '90, MA '99, & **Kevin Hoefler**, BA '91 Manchester, IA, daughter Lauren born 11/7/02. **Philip Akason**, BA '91 & Ginger Akason, West Des Moines, IA, daughter Lindsay born 4/13/03. **Carol Rohmiller Abbott**, BA '91, & Michael Abbott, Nehawka, NE, son Grant born 5/22/02. **Meri Blinn Kephart** BA '91 & **Richard Kephart** BA '91, Loveland, CO, son Maximalian born 1/3/03. **Tara Stecklein Hilkin**, BA '91 & Chris Hilkin, Dubuque, IA, daughter Emma born 9/12/03. **Ann Lundberg Haack**, BA '91, MA '93 & John Haack, West Des Moines, IA, son Daniel born 9/5/03. **Ross Hawker**, BA '92, & **Sarah Hutchins Hawker**, BA '93, Cedar Falls, IA, son Nathaniel born 7/23/03. **Robyn**



Merfeld Johnson, BA '92 & Bradley Johnson, Raymond, IA, son Tyler born 7/24/03. **Andy Chenoweth**, BA '92 MA '94 & Pam Chenoweth, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Kara born 6/27/03. **Katie Crowley Conlon**, BA '92 & Joe Conlon, Milwaukee, WI, son Matthew born 9/21/03. **Dana Johnston Marten**, BA'92 & Jayson Marten, BA '91, Denison, IA, daughter Kennedy born 8/5/02. **Lili Matteo Carrasco** BA '92 & Ramon Carrasco, Chandler, AZ, son Emanuel born 9/18/03. **Eric Heinen**, BA '93, & **Sandy Wachkot Heinen**, BA '88, Waterloo, IA, son Trevor born 5/14/03. **Heather Scheffert Welsh**, BA '93, & Kevin Welsh, Omaha, NE, daughter Mackenzie born 2/21/03. **Renee Kragenbrink Nydegger**, BA '93, & Loren Nydegger, Mason City, IA, daughter Anna born 11/28/03. **Kathryn Bye Cordova**, BA '93 & Fabian Cordova, Oro Valley, AZ, daughter Alicia born 12/16/02. **Mark Hookham**, BA '93 & **Stephanie Grunewald Hookham**, BS '93 Dysart, IA, daughter Elle born 7/18/03. **Heather Scheffert Welsh**, BA '93 & Kevin Welsh, Omaha, NE, daughter Mackenzie born 2/21/03. **Paul Wolf**, BA '94 & **Stacy Bukatz Wolf** BA '94, MA '96, Cedar Falls, IA, son Landon born 6/2/03. **Mark Shatek**, BA '94 & Amy Shatek, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Elizabeth born 6/5/03. **Kelli Lovick Harms**, BA '94, MA '02, & Mason Harms, Forest City, IA, daughter Laura Rae born 1/29/03. **Heather McClintock Fox**, BA '94 & Brad Fox, Amana, IA, daughter Riley born 9/12/03. **Randy McGill**, BA '94 & Tina McGill, Jesup, IA, son Braeden born 7/14/03. **Deb Fandel Howes**, BA '94 & **Brian Howes**, BA '97 Dubuque, IA, daughter Julia born 1/20/03. **Trisha Gerleman Hall** BA 94 & **Rob Hall**, BA '92, Hugo, MN, daughter Isabella born 8/11/03. **Kallin Kurtz** BS '95 & **Michelle Anderson Kurtz**, BA '94 Center Point, IA, daughter Gretchen born 7/20/03. **Jessica Kopin Christian** BA '95 & Jason Christian, Kellen, TX, daughter Lydia born 9/9/03. **Missy Marshall Santman**, BA '95 & David Santman, Dysart, IA, daughter Madeline born 6/23/03. **Kim Harris Cawelti**, BA '95 & **Ryan Cawelti**, BS '95 Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Emma born 10/26/03. **Russell Britton**, BA '96 & **Anne Lies Britton**, BA '96 Hudson, IA, son Joseph born 4/28/03. **Kristine Oberhues Marmie**, BA '96 & Bill Marmie, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Elizabeth born 4/30/03. **Sara Snyder Swan**, BA '96 & Jon Swan, Cedar Park, TX, son Jonas born 11/26/02. **Joy Tjarks Culbertson**, BM '96 & Brian Culbertson, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Elle born 7/2/03. **Aileen Mahood Sullivan**, BA '96 & Joel Sullivan, Ames, IA, son Lane born 5/13/03. **Jamie Axlund Hayworth**, BA '96 & **Bret Hayworth**, BA '86, BA '96, Movill, IA, daughter Molly born 10/1/03. **Danielle Farr Owens**, BA '96 & **Christopher Owens**, BA '96, Peoria, IL, daughter Natalie born 1/11/03. **Jill Schimmels DeVries**, BA '97 & Jeff DeVries, Denver, IA, twins daughter & son Brooke & Lauren born 6/18/03. **Kari Conradi McFarlane**, BA '97 & Blue McFarlane, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Chloe born 5/27/03. **Kristi Pittmann Regenwether**, BA '97 & Robert Regenwether, Waterloo, IA, daughter Jessica born 5/5/03. **Ronald Oltrage**, BA '97 & **Denise Gillette Oltrage**, BA '98, Denver, IA, son Ethan born 5/16/03. **Mason Fromm**, BA '97 & **Heather Winterhoff Fromm**, BA '97, Waverly, IA, daughter Julianna born 4/28/03. **Keith Poock**, BA '97 & Suzy Poock, Ankeny, IA, son Andrew born 2/21/03. **Amy Ratchford Roling**, BA '97, MA '00, & Brad Roling, Waverly, IA, daughter Makenzie born 4/2/03. **Amanda Blakestad Holst** BA '97 & Jason Holst, Avoca, IA, son Blake born 9/25/02. **Scott Doup** BA '97 & Julie Soper Doup, Ankeny, IA, daughter Hannah born 1/4/03. **Steven Oaks** BA '97 & Anna Oaks,

LaPorte City, IA, daughter Sadie born 6/11/03. **Kirk Crawford** BA '97 & **Amy Hiltabidle Crawford** BA '98, Dysart, IA, son Kolten born 7/7/03. **Staci Seedorf Mueller** BA '97 & Tim Mueller, Denver, IA, son Parker born 7/15/03. **Threase Harms Houssoun** BA '97 & **Nori Hassoun** BA '97, Windsor Heights, IA, son Mikail born 8/28/03. **Matthew Kelly**, BA '97 & Melanie Kelly, Gold Canyon, AZ, son Mason born 7/11/03. **Laura Johnson Pang** BA'97 & Andrew Pang, Westerville, OH, son Drew born 4/24/03. **Jason Wedgbury**, BA '97 & Tish Wedgbury, Oskaloosa, IA, daughter Emmersyn born 01/06/03. **Angela Hanson Rummel** BA '97 & **Mark Rummel** BA '96, Glendale, AZ, daughter Sadie born 7/7/03. **Julie Knudsen Kennebeck** BA '98 & Corey Kennebeck, Williamsburg, IA, son Jayden born 6/12/03. **Amber Crew Buffington**, BA '98 & Richard Buffington, Oelwein, IA, son Nathaniel born 10/17/02. **Jason Kinder**, BA '98 & **Jennifer Czuba Kinder** BA '98, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Makayla born 7/2/03. **Michelle Loy McPoland** BA '98, MSW '02, & Robert McPoland, Waterloo, IA, daughter Brianna born 7/11/03. **Darin Osier**, BA '98 & **Jody Biver Osier**, BA '00, Charles City, IA, son/daughter Kaleb/Layne born 7/1/01. **Shelli Mayo Caughron**, BA '99 & Matthew Caughron, Waterloo, IA, son Beckett born 6/20/03. **Scott Vansickle** BA '99 & Jodi Vansickle, Cedar Falls, IA, daughter Kara born 6/21/03. **Cybrill Livingood Smith** BA '99 & Steven Smith, Oelwein, IA, son Donovan born 3/3/03. **Dawn Brown McFarlane**, BA '99 & Stacy McFarlane, Cedar Falls, IA, son Madden born 7/7/02. **Michelle Wiedman Davis** BA '99 & **John Davis**, BA '99, West Des Moines, IA, daughter Chloe born 1/11/03. **Mindy Workman Whitehill** BA '99 & **Derek Whitehill** BA '95, Waterloo, IA, son Derek born 9/24/03. **Aaron Clayberg** BA '95 & Lisa Doering Clayberg BA '94, Ames, IA, son Carter born 2/12/02. **Scott Wagner** BA '95 & **Cynthia Bishop Wagner** BA '95, Traer, IA, daughter Chloe born 9/5/02. **Bill Yilek** BA '96 & **Julie Ingram Yilek** BA '92, Marion, IA, son Joshua born 12/11/02. **Ellen Rhude Peterson** BA '96 & Jason Peterson, Des Moines, IA, son Brice born 1/3/03. **Jason Hamrock** BA '96 & **Sarah Miller Hamrock** BA '94, Gilbert, AZ, son Charles born 12/3/02. **Aileen Mahood Sullivan** BA '96 & Joel Sullivan, Ames, IA, son Lane born 5/13/03. **Lori Meyers Macias** BA '97 & Manuel Macias, Davenport, IA, daughter Alyssa born 11/10/01. **Matthew Graham** BA '97 & Mary Graham, San Antonio, TX, daughter Madison born 12/19/02. **Jason Techau** BA '97 & **Kristi Usher Techau** BA '96 Davenport, IA, son Andrew born 9/19/02. **Jessica Wimberly Titus** BA '97 & Aaron Titus, Hagerstown, MD, daughter Magdelen born 9/25/02. **Andrea Bjork Todsens** BA '99 & John Todsens, Albuquerque, NM, daughter Anna born 1/21/03. **Joseph Barber** BA '98 & **Melissa Dooley Barber** BA '98, son Samuel born 3/13/03.

'00s **Chris Luhring** BA '00 & Elicia Luhring, Parkersburg, IA, daughter Seyann born 6/3/03. **Derrick Klinkenberg** BS '00 & **Leanne Kleinmeyer Klinkenberg** BA '00, Waterloo, IA, son William born 4/23/03. **Eric Rushton** BT '00 & **Mali Schatz Rushton** BA '00, Waterloo, IA, son Jack born 5/1/03. **Stephanie Peterson Thoma** BA '00 & Matthew Thoma, Independence, IA, daughter Jaime born 7/14/03. **Cathy Born Kuhl** BA '00 & Jeffrey Kuhl, Council Bluffs, IA, son Jacob born 11/28/03. **Heather Powers Southammavong** BA '00 & **Souvanna Southammavong** BA '99, Des Moines, IA, son Nevin born 4/13/03. **Andrea Cornish Gibbs** BA '01 & Justin Gibbs,

New Hartford, IA, daughter Jaylyn born 4/23/03. **Cory Levendusky** BA '01 & **Sara Schmidt Levendusky** BA '99, Cedar Falls, IA, son Jonah born 7/18/03. **Jennifer Vogel Larmore** BA '01 & Ryan Larmore, Traer, IA, daughter Allyson born 6/20/03. **Shane Reisner** BA '02, & Jodi Reisner, Waterloo, IA, daughter Marli born 7/17/03.

Deaths

'10s **Pearl Rader**, 1 yr '19, Newton, IA, died 5/2/2003.

'20s **Margaret Buck Faragher**, 2 yr '22, Ames, IA, died 11/16/2003. **Mathilda Basecker Harris**, 2 yr '22, Guttenberg, IA, died 10/20/2003. **Jessie Nickerson Vana**, 2 yr '23, Camarillo, CA, died 9/16/2003. **Lillian Hanson**, 2 yr '23, Ames, IA, died 5/29/2003. **Blanche Brennecke Tobin**, 2 yr '24, Marshalltown, IA, died 6/3/2003. **Marie Shellard**, 2 yr '24, Waterloo, IA, died 11/25/2003. **Charlotte Blumensteil Leaman**, 2 yr '25, Mason City, IA, died 6/12/2003. **Hilda Martzahn Becker**, 2 yr '25, Fort Dodge, IA, died 6/23/2003. **Naomi Stevenson**, 2 yr '25, Charles City, IA, died 7/5/2003. **Alice Truog Wildman**, 2 yr '27, Greenfield, IA, died 9/30/2003. **Elna Christensen**, 2 yr '27, Philadelphia, PA, died 3/1/2003. **Mary Mullin Rockwood**, 2 yr '27, Garner, IA, died 7/12/2003. **Rose Horn Quick**, 2 yr '27, Miami, FL, died 10/30/2003. **Vera Bittle Gardner**, 2 yr '27, Springfield, IA, died 2/26/2003. **Elizabeth Crawver Harden**, 2 yr '28, East Lansing, MI, died 4/8/2002. **Mildred Mauck Chizek**, 2 yr '28, Dallas, TX, died 8/31/2003. **Rita Boyle Kirsch**, 2 yr '28, Cascade, IA, died 10/23/2003. **Velma Martin Joens**, 2 yr '28, Cedar Falls, IA, died 4/15/2003. **Arline Gridley**, 2 yr '29, Tucson, AZ, died 7/2/2003. **Esther McDonald Groth**, 2 yr '29, Winterset, IA, died 1/1/2003. **Florence Rank Bittinger**, 2 yr '29, Marshalltown, IA, died 10/22/2003. **Frances Krouse Putnam**, 2 yr '29, Independence, IA, died 11/22/2003. **Lorenna McShane Greif**, 2 yr '29, Springfield, IA, died 6/22/2003. **Sylvia Arends Webb**, 2 yr '29, Akron, OH, died 4/11/2001. **Vera Miller Moon**, 2 yr '29, Monona, IA, died 6/14/2003.

'30s **Alice Wheeler Keen**, BA '30, DeWitt, IA, died 6/4/2003. **Corinne Martin Cross**, 2 yr '30, Orange, CA, died 5/29/2002. **Irma Steele Stevens**, 2 yr '30, Sioux City, IA, died 8/30/2002. **Laura Mannerter Henry**, 2 yr '30, Charles City, IA, died 7/12/2003. **Lila Mayer Kallestad**, 2 yr '30, Cherokee Village, AR, died 2/1/2003. **Lucille Persinger Wallis**, 2 yr '30, Mishawaka, IN, died 4/15/2003. **Marie Magee Bower**, 2 yr '30, Waterloo, IA, died 5/23/2003. **Mina Griggs Packer**, 2 yr '30, Davenport, IA, died 11/17/2003. **Myrtle Wiese Smith**, BA '30, West Liberty, IA, died 11/14/2003. **Olga Tweeten**, 2 yr '30, Minneapolis, MN, died 3/16/2002. **Pauline Parish Moore**, BA '30, Des Moines, IA, died 8/25/2003. **Audrey Leinen Schneckloth**, 2 yr '31, Spencer, IA, died 2/14/2003. **Charlotte Vasey**, 1 yr '31, Ames, IA, died 8/25/2003. **Doris Barnett Moore**, 2 yr '31, Newton, IA, died 5/5/2003. **Dwain Daughton**, BA '31, Maryville, MO, died 4/1/2003. **Eileen Hardie Thompson**, 2 yr '31, Payson, AZ, died 9/5/2003. **Ethel Engleman Buckingham**, 2 yr '31, Klamath Falls, OR, died 1/12/2003. **Inez Becker White**, 2 yr '31, Nacogdoches, TX, died 9/19/2003. **Irene Kramer Held**, 2 yr '31, Geneva, IA, died 6/4/2003. **Naomi Linnenkamp**



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'40s Betty Yeager Peterson, BA '40, Waterloo, IA, died 5/17/2003. **Betty Donovan Miller**, BA '40, Cedar Falls, IA, died 10/25/2003. **Dale Gidley**, BA '40, Greenville, NC, died 11/1/1998. **Edwin Shank**, BA '40, Waterloo, IA, died 12/22/2003. **Gertrude Heggen**, 2 yr '40, Eagle Grove, IA, died 5/27/2002. **Hazel Felton Petrocco**, 2 yr '40, Pueblo, CO, died 5/10/2003. **Jay Jewell**, BA '40, Oceanside, CA, died 10/5/2003. **Joseph McPherson**, BA '40, Los Altos, CA, died 9/21/1998. **Leona Dominy McCarvill**, 2 yr '40, Fort Dodge, IA, died 10/18/2003. **William Ted Buchwald**, BS '40, Oklahoma City, OK, died 9-27-023. **Maxine Ryder Gregory**, 2 yr '41, Glidden, IA, died 6/18/2003. **Doris Ellerbroek Bieterman**, 2 yr '42, Sheldon, IA, died 7/26/2003. **Myrtle Peeler McConaghie**, BA '42, Seal Beach, CA, died 6/27/2003. **Virginia Nissen Halfpap**, 2 yr '42, Mason City, IA, died 10/5/2003. **Bethel Pollack Buell**, BA '43, Webster City, IA, died 11/15/2003. **Faye Seamer Noeding**, 2 yr '43, Taos, NM, died 11/13/2002. **Icel Miller Spitznogle**, 2 yr '43, Wapello, IA, died 6/1/2003. **Irene Plett Kehoe**, 2 yr '43, Reinbeck, IA, died 5/3/2003. **Joan Ingebritson Eilers**, BA '43, Springfield, MO, died 7/25/2003. **Marjorie Stoutner See**, BA '43,

Dysart, IA, died 9/8/2003. **Wilma Frandsen**, 2 yr '44, Toledo, IA, died 10/18/2003. **Lucille Langston**, 2 yr '45, Waterloo, IA, died 6/10/2003. **Carol Sage Huntington**, BA '46, Waterloo, IA, died 10/3/2003. **Paul Siglin**, BA '46, Fair Oaks, CA, died 7/14/2003. **Cyril Bellock**, BA '47, Salem, OR, died 5/14/2003. **Maurice Wilson**, BA '47, Harlan, IA, died 10/10/2003. **Ed Bruner**, BA '49, St Petersburg, FL, died 6/22/2003. **James Hogan**, BA '49, Muskegon, MI, died 4/26/2003. **John McIntyre**, BA '49, Lincoln, NE, died 6/23/2003. **Leora Locker Duin**, BA '49, Humboldt, IA, died 10/4/2003. **Lois Stratton Seebach**, BA '49, Marshalltown, IA, died 11/1/2003.

'50s Andrew Kossives, BA '50, Muscatine, IA, died 11/11/2003. **Ardys Powell Zimpfer**, 2 yr '50, Breckenridge, CA, died 9/26/2002. **Bernard O'Brien**, BA '50, Burnsville, MN, died 11/16/1998. **Irva Lesch Feldpouch**, 2 yr '50, Osage, IA, died 9/24/2003. **Jerry O'Malia**, BA '50, Urbandale, IA, died 4/19/2003. **Kenneth Beckman**, BA '50, Bloomington, IL, died 6/10/2003. **Kenneth Fagre**, BA '50, Estherville, IA, died 7/29/2003. **Lester Bundy**, BA '50, Louisburg, NC, died 4/14/2003. **Patricia Graham Riek**, 2 yr '50, Grundy Center, IA, died 6/28/2003. **William Mitchell**, BA '50, Cedar Falls, IA, died 9/28/2003. **Andrew Aasgaard**, BA '51, Waterloo, IA, died 9/16/2022. **Barbara Marston**, BA '51, Des Moines, IA, died 7/15/2003. **Kenneth Orton**, BA '51, Lincoln, NE, died 8/25/2003. **Mary Stevenson Tutsch**, BA '51, Davenport, IA, died 5/12/2003. **Neva Albright**, 2 yr '51, Algona, IA, died 10/27/2003. **Wanda Leeps Craft**, BA '51, Murray, IA, died 8/4/2003. **George Merrill**, BA '52, Fremont, CA, died 10/28/2002. **Mary Moon Clapp**, 2 yr '52, Cedar Falls, IA, died 5/26/2003. **Robert Mahnke**, BA '52, Gilberts, IL, died 8/8/2003. **Kenneth Butzier**, BA '53, LaPorte City, MN, died 9/6/2003. **Richard Garms**, BA '53, Waterloo, IA, died 11/9/2003. **Donald Hansen Jr**, BA '57, Council Bluffs, IA, died 5/21/2003. **Jack Wilson**, BA '57, New London, IA, died 10/25/2003. **Patricia Meyer Flessner**, 2 yr '57, Harlan, IA, died 7/14/2003. **Marjean Sheckler Parker**, BA '59, Winterset, IA, died 11/11/2002. **Robert Harter**, BA '59, Belvidere, IL, died 3/24/2003.

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'70s Lillian Switzer Vandewalle, BA '70, Chelsea, IA, died 8/21/2002. **Dennis Hornick**, BA '71, Bayard, IA, died 9/5/2003. **Steven Stabenow**, BA '71, Waterloo, IA, died 9/7/2003. **Angelica Morales Lissarrague**, MA '72, Miami, FL, died 2/21/2003. **Garth Shipley**, BA '73, Newton, IA, died 7/5/2003. **Burton Wilder**, BA '74, Mason City, IA, died 9/9/2003. **John Carroll**, BA '74, Iowa City, IA, died 10/10/2003. **Lynn Wyatt**, BA '74, Adair, IA, died 8/19/2003. **William Tyne**, MA '74, Urbandale, IA, died 6/1/2003. **Gary Lekin**, BA '75, Cedar Falls, IA, died 10/24/2003. **Georgine Kapinus Austin**, MA '75, Princeton, IL, died 10/29/2001. **Lewis Churbuck**, MA '75, New Hampton, IA, died 11/9/2003. **Michael Freeze**, BA '75, Wilton, IA, died 5/24/2003. **Gregory Marquart**, BA '76, Des Moines, IA, died 7/12/2003. **Marlene Lowry Mosher**, BA '76, Indianola, IA, died 5/18/2003. **Randy Mulder**, BA '78, Sioux Falls, SD, died 7/19/2003. **Rita Bettinger Brown**, BA '79, New Franken, WI, died 8/7/2003.

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'90s Karen Sobek Monson, BA '91, Clear Lake, IA, died 10/24/2003. **Michael Cargill**, BM '91, Las Vegas, NV, died 10/5/2003. **Paul Homan**, BA '91, Waverly, IA, died 7/20/2003. **John Phalen**, BA '93, West Des Moines, IA, died 10/25/2003. **John Robinson**, BA '96, Cedar Falls, IA, died 8/12/2003. **Gretchen Shumacher Wurth**, BA '97, West Des Moines, IA, died 9/30/2003. **Wendy Hearn Holmes**, BA '97, Monticello, IA, died 9/15/2003. **Nancy Hohanshelte**, MA '98, Waterloo, IA, died 10/30/2003.

'00s Brent Mangrich, BA '00, Hudson, IA, died 7/16/2003. **Paula Reed Dorris**, MA '00, Waterloo, IA, died 10/3/2003. **Casey McCabe**, BA '03, Dubuque, IA, died 7/12/2003.



Art in Bloom

—Mary Taylor

The arts are in bloom on the UNI campus this spring and everything's coming up talent, from both the visiting professionals and our own students. If you have the opportunity, come for a visit and take in a show, exhibit or performance—a garden is planted to be appreciated.

Visit www.uni.edu and click on calendar for ticket and attendance information.

Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center

Moscow State Radio Symphony and Chorus, February 22

Newport Jazz Festival 50th Anniversary Tour, February 25

Vienna Choir Boys, February 29

Altan, March 7

Momix, March 8

Grease –The Musical, April 4

Lavay Smith and Her Red Hot Skillet Lickers, April 10

George Winston, April 25

Itzhak Perlman, April 28

Kiss Me Kate, May 2

UNI Museum

Welcoming New Iowans: A 200-Year Tradition. Through May 31.

School of Music Spotlight Events

All performances at the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center

Faculty Artists Showcase Concert,

February 17

UNI Performance Competition Finals,

April 6

UNI Jazz Band 1, April 9

UNI Concert Chorale Performance,

April 26

Theatre UNI

Aaron Copland's **The Tender Land**, February 27, 29 and March 4-6, Strayer-Wood Theatre

Co-produced by the UNI School of Music

Ghosts by Henrik Ibsen, April 15-18 and 21-25,

Bertha Martin Theatre

Gallery of Art

Slop Art – A supermarket of fine art.

Through March 5

Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition

March 25-April 23

MA and BFA Exhibition, May 1-8

Third Annual Arts in April Festival

Saturday, April 3

Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center



Festival art by John Heidersbach

This one-day arts festival kicks off a month of arts activities at UNI. Performances, workshops, hands-on activities and more give guests a glimpse of the talent and the range of expertise of our students and faculty, and are a perfect opportunity to expose children to all that the arts can be—all in one place.

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As Superintendent
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Dean Ryerson,
BA '70 MA '72,

could easily busy himself with paperwork and administrative decisions, losing touch with the 5,700 students in his school system. Instead, each year he adopts and visits a class throughout the year.

Leading the way

"I'm an educator, first and foremost,"

Ryerson explains. "Visiting the class helps me understand the challenges

teachers face, see how our curriculum is working and get to know the kids personally. It's really what we're all about – and it's a lot of fun."

Without UNI, he wouldn't be where he is today, Ryerson says. "My education was much more than technical classroom learning; it involved my whole self. UNI gave me so many opportunities and leadership experiences."

He's demonstrating leadership as a charter member of the Campanile Society, the new giving society supporting the UNI Annual Fund.

"I consider it an honor to support UNI this way, and hope others join me. It's our responsibility as successful graduates to turn around and look at where we've been, and where we would be without UNI. The need is great and the time is now."



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Cedar Falls artist Mark Nickel recently completed the new illustrated map of the UNI campus featured here. He also is the creator of a campus montage completed in 2002, which complements one he did in 1981, for the UNI Alumni Association.