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# Sixteenth Annual Recognition Dinner

6 p.m.  
April 26, 2007  
Oyate Hall

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

MORRIS

# 2007 Recognition Dinner Program

## Welcome

Master of Ceremonies Thomas B. McRoberts  
Continuing Education, Regional Programs, Summer Session,  
and Center for International Programs director

## Recognition of Retirees

Llea Anderson, vending supervisor  
Gordon Harstad, building and grounds worker  
Jooinn Lee, professor of political science  
Joan Reicosky, instructor of accounting  
Dennis Templeman, associate professor of anthropology

## Recognition of Horace T. Morse-Minnesota Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education Recipient

Paula O' Loughlin, associate professor of political science

## Recognition of UMM Alumni Association Teaching Award Recipient

Sarah Buchanan, associate professor of French

## Presentation of Faculty Distinguished Research Award

David Roberts, associate professor of mathematics

## Presentation of Mary Martelle Memorial Awards

Jane Kill, executive office and administrative specialist, Student Counseling  
Kristen Strissel '07, Rapid City, South Dakota

## Presentation of Outstanding Staff Awards

Carol Backman, principal accounts specialist, Office of Financial Aid, AFSCME  
James Anderson, operating engineer, Plant Services, Teamster

## Presentation of Morris Academic Staff Award

Bryan Herrmann, assistant director, Office of Admissions

## Closing Remarks

Jacqueline Johnson, chancellor

Special thanks to John Stuart Ingle, professor emeritus of studio art, for granting permission to reproduce a transparency of his painting *Still Life with Overland Flyer* for use as a special retirement gift, and to pianist Emily Carroll '08, Minneapolis, for providing dinner music.

# Honored Retirees

## **Llea Anderson, vending supervisor**

In 1971, Vern Brown, former general services manager, surprised Llea Anderson with a phone call offering her a position in vending. She hadn't applied, but she accepted the invitation, a decision never regretted. "I've always been proud to be a UMM employee," says Anderson. She remembers those early years fondly, especially the camaraderie between fellow employees.

When Anderson started at UMM, "vending" meant caramel rolls and ham sandwiches made fresh and packaged each morning on campus. For special events, they served entire meals including homemade pies. Bookkeeping and inventory was completed with pencil and paper. Today, computers drive the operation, and most foods are purchased frozen and prepackaged. "Trends have changed a lot over the years," says Anderson. The "Hostess man" used to fill machines four times per week. Healthier options are emphasized now, but chips are still a favorite.

Anderson's last day was in November 2006. She misses the people, but not the coin-operated machines, and she enjoys retirement: "I get up every morning and do things on my own time. If I read for a while, I don't feel guilty. And, I'm blessed to have grandchildren near." Anderson is active at the Federated Church, volunteers at the Morris Area Food Shelf, and works out at the Regional Fitness Center most mornings.

## **Gordon Harstad, building and grounds worker**

Throughout his 29-year history at UMM, Gordon Harstad witnessed many changes to the UMM campus—a new student center, a new science building, renovations to Imholte Hall. But the two buildings of which he was responsible over the years, Pine Hall and Blakely Hall, changed very little. That was fine with Harstad. He likes the older buildings, and he liked visiting with the students who made them their homes.

A 1999 Outstanding Support Staff Award recipient, Harstad retired at the beginning of the 2006-07 year. He reports "retirement is nice," and the fishing this winter was "pretty good." During spring, summer, and fall, he helps area farmers. Year-round, he tends his tractor collection: 10 John Deere, 2 International, and 1 Case, dating from 1939 until 1959, all in running order. Watch for him in area parades this summer.

## **Jooinn Lee, professor of political science and chair of the Division of the Social Sciences**

When doctorate candidate Jooinn Lee applied to UMM in 1961, he imagined teaching in Morris for two years, then returning to Korea. Forty-six years later, he looks back on a career that begins and ends at UMM, proud of his division's accomplishments and excited about UMM's future.

Lee remembers his first campus visit. He arrived by bus. Herb Croom, director of student services, met him at the Merchant Hotel. "I loved that man," says Lee, "and I accepted the UMM appointment immediately." Relationships between the small faculty, only 33 in 1961, were important, and Lee appreciated the campus community and the Morris community reaching out to him. He's accumulated many memories throughout his career, but the most vivid may be the extraordinary silence in his classroom, disbelief and denial, after announcing President John F. Kennedy's assassination in 1963. He also recalls the 1965 St. Patrick's Day Blizzard, when he and others stayed the night in Behmler Hall because of intense wind chill and 20 inches of snow.

The renovation of John Q. Imholte Hall pleases Lee, and he is very proud of his colleagues and staff in the Division of the Social Sciences: "I am immensely appreciative of their generous understanding of Jooinn Lee," he says. "Our division provides very able leaders and strong leadership for the campus. And we have top-notch junior faculty. I'm very proud of recruiting them to UMM." Lee looks forward to traveling "whenever I want" and to tending his yard and gardening. "I'm also going to read all the books I haven't had time to read," he shares.

Jooinn Lee earned a doctorate at the University of Illinois. His specialization is in the areas of political theory and contemporary political ideologies. He is a published author and a recipient of the Horace T. Morse-Minnesota Alumni Association Award for Outstanding Contributions to Undergraduate Education.

## **Joan Reicosky, instructor of accounting**

Every day of spring quarter 1979, the late Sun Kahng, professor of economics, "sat in" on Joan Reicosky's class. A few weeks earlier, he knocked on the door of her home and asked if she would teach accounting. "He must have been impressed," reflects Reicosky. "I've been teaching the whole accounting sequence since then."

Technology is the biggest change in accounting since 1979 when "paper and pencil crunching" were the norm. She utilizes computer simulations, online problems, and general ledger software, but also continues to have students experience the paper and pencil approach in order to "understand the flow of information." Her courses provide practical, "real life" applications. Reicosky enjoys the classroom's "give and take" and working with advisees and directed studies students.

While she knows students, fellow faculty, and staff will be missed, she wonders about adjusting to a less rigid routine...no evening preparations for class, no calendars marked with semester schedules. A quick check of her "to-do list" reveals that Reicosky may be just as busy in retirement: ballroom and square dancing, cross stitching, sewing, gardening, reading, traveling, and building a new home with husband Don.

Reicosky earned a bachelor of science from Ohio State University and a master of education from the University of South Carolina.

## **Dennis Templeman, associate professor of anthropology**

While finishing his doctorate at the University of California, Berkeley, Dennis Templeman accepted a position at UMM in 1971. He refers to his 36-year career at UMM as "a good life for me, very satisfying." Though he admits it may sound trite, he says, "I've met a lot of wonderful people. I say it because it is very true." In the early 70s, Templeman began teaching some of the first American Indian courses at UMM, created at the request of and in partnership with American Indian students.

Templeman's longtime research was published in book form in 1996 as *The Northern Nadars of Tamil Nadu—an Indian Caste in the Process of Change*. In January of 2008, he will return to India to "make new contacts" and reunite with old friends, including Evam Piljain, activist for many of the tribes of South India. Templeman plans to serve as editor for Piljain's autobiography.

# University of Minnesota, Morris Years of Service

## Over 40 years

James Togeas  
Jooinn Lee  
Roger Boleman  
Wilbert Ahern

## 35-39 years

Craig Kissock  
Roland Guyotte  
A. Andres Lopez  
Bonnie Tipcke  
Dian Lopez  
Harold Hinds  
Thomas Turner  
Dennis Templeman  
Mickey Rose

## 30-34 years

LuAine Logan  
Robert Thompson  
David Rath  
Gary Strei  
Randall Wenz  
Richard Busch  
Arden Heins  
Gary Donovan  
Dianna George  
Thomas Swenson  
Lynn Schulz  
Sara Haugen  
James Van Alstine  
David Dylla  
Arthur Kunde  
Rosemarie Murphy  
Thomas McRoberts  
David Hoppe  
David Jones  
Ronald Rosen  
Carol McCannon  
Nancy Helsper  
Bonnie Gulbrandson  
Richard Richards

## 25-29 years

Lowell Rasmussen  
Jennifred Nellis  
Timothy Ray  
Margaret Larson  
Pamela Gades  
Delores Rathke  
James Carlson  
Katherine Benson  
Kenneth Hodgson  
Van Gooch  
Marie Hagen  
Dale Michealson  
Jeanne Richards

Tap Payne  
Mark McCabe  
Jane Kill  
A. Kay Carlson  
Michael Vangstad  
Gail Boe  
Brenda Boever  
Thomas Mahoney  
Madeline Maxeiner  
Charles Grussing  
Thomas Rach  
David Aronson  
Virginia Nohl  
Carrie Grussing  
Dorothy DeJager  
Renee Schwagerl

## 20-24 years

Joan Reicosky  
Sharon Van Eps  
James Cotter  
Michael Korth  
Jeri Mullin  
Robert Mahoney  
Julie Hesse  
Jayne Hacker  
Darla Peterson  
Thomas Bengston  
Mark Fohl  
Sandra Olson-Loy  
William Eiler  
Edith Borchardt  
Pieranna Garavaso  
Karen Ellis  
Patricia Hein  
Bobbie Jean Sasek  
William Hennen  
Lois Kunde  
Dale Logan  
Catherine Halbe  
Daniel Payne  
Jacqueline Nohl  
Kevin Flicker  
Michael O'Reilly  
Solomon Gashaw  
Thomas Johnson  
Loretta Leonard  
Joyce Amborn  
Ann Marie Vangstad  
Patricia Nelson  
Kay Storck  
Cindy Poppe  
Lyle Lundebrek  
Nancy Erdahl  
Mary Elizabeth Bezanson  
Vicente Cabrera

## 15-19 years

Michael Miller  
Cynthia Rohloff  
Janet Sauter  
Ronald Kubik  
Barbara Hesse  
Michael Miller  
Nancy Volker  
Douglas Williams  
Paul Kietzman  
Mark Van Overbeke  
Rosa Kill  
Farah Gilanshah  
John Husted  
Judith Kuechle  
Diana Schultz  
Rita Bolluyt  
Judith Riley  
Carol Ford  
Mary Huebner  
Lynn Halbakken  
Rebecca Webb  
James Anderson  
Ferolyn Angell  
Bart Finzel  
Christopher Cole  
Jeffrey Ratliff-Crain  
Joel Eisinger  
Nancy Carpenter  
Vicki Graham  
Kim J. Schultz  
Bobbi Charles  
Diane Kill  
Marilyn Gremmels  
Shirley Miller  
Irene Maloney  
J. Clare Strand  
Mary Zosel  
Sandra Zeltwanger  
David Savela  
Engin Sungur  
Neil Leroux  
Jo Ellen Huntley  
Jennifer Lund  
Jane Harstad  
Deb Economou  
Debbie Campbell  
Gwen Rudney  
Margaret Kuchenreuther  
Nicholas McPhee  
Stacey Aronson  
LeAnn Dean  
Janie Klein  
Debra Mahoney  
Aloys Seifermann  
George Peper  
Carol Marxen

Gordon McIntosh  
Kristi Miller  
Lee Varpness

## 10-14 years

James Hauglund  
Diane Schmidgall  
Mark Johnson  
Ann Williams  
Bradley Svea  
Jill Beauregard  
Keith Brugger  
Deborah Henrichs  
Jacki Anderson  
Michael Berlinger  
Melody Veenendaal  
Dale Livingston  
Lori Koshork  
Jon Anderson  
Pareena Lawrence  
William Hunt  
Brenda Michels  
Wendy Melberg  
Judy Korn  
Ann Kolden  
Michael Cihak  
Laura Thielke  
Sarah Mattson  
Terri Hawkinson  
Kelly Terryll  
Kathryn Klopffleisch  
Donna Chollett  
Gregory Thorson  
James Gillis  
Jessica Larson  
Leslie Meek  
Matthew Senior  
Peh Ng  
Seung-Ho Joo  
Todd Moser  
Jodi Holleman  
Barb Moses  
Robert Ritschke  
Jenny Quam  
Stephen Gross  
Barbara Burke  
Paula O'Loughlin  
Garrett Hoyer  
Margaret Kleinhans  
Linda Meichsner  
Ronald Kussatz  
Gail Hockert  
Todd Hickman  
Richard Reimers  
Annette Helder  
Tracey Anderson