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Student Center Opens...



LINDA POWERS 1992

Dedication Set for May 15

Eighteen months and three weeks from the day of its official ground-breaking, the long-awaited Student Center is open. Though a variety of details remain unfinished, the building is officially open for use in a majority of areas.

Areas open include the cafe, games and vending areas, auditorium, TV lounge, KUMM, Information Center, specific student offices including CAC, MCSA, and ISTC, and the Student Activities office.

Opening soon will be the campus lounge, the great hall, the 24-hour study/computer area, the Outdoor Center, and the student organizations area. Temporary furniture is in use in a few places, and final touches still remain.

An official Student Center Dedication is planned for Friday afternoon

and evening, May 15. All UMM alumni, families and friends are invited to attend.

A Native American ceremony known as "Bringing in the Fire" will begin the dedication at 3:15 p.m., and will be followed by a program recognizing special guests and the efforts of students, alumni, faculty, staff, legislators and friends in bringing the Student Center to life. A campus reception will be held in the new Oyate Hall, with a light meal available afterward in the Turtle Mountain Cafe. Evening plans include a concert in Edson Auditorium by the UMM Jazz Ensemble and a dance featuring music by the Alumni and UMM Jazz Ensembles. This is your invitation to join us. Come and help us celebrate the official opening of our long-awaited Student Center!

Everyone Is Invited to Celebrate!



A delegation of student center committee members gathered for the long-awaited opening of the campus' new center for community life. Pictured from left, Gary McGrath ('68), vice chancellor for student affairs; Doug Wandersee, CAC chair; Gina Brunko, student center committee chair; Martin Conroy, MCSA president; and Harold Fahl, superintendent of plant services at UMM.

UMM Dean Honored by MN Women in Higher Education

Elizabeth Blake, vice chancellor for academic affairs and dean at the University of Minnesota, Morris, was one of four women to be recognized by the Minnesota Women in Higher Education organization for her contributions to women in higher education.

Blake, along with Pauline G. Lambert, University of St. Thomas, was honored for her contribution to women within her institution. Awards were also presented to Janis H. Weiss, North Hennepin Community College, and Julia Andrzejewski, St. Cloud State University, for their contributions to women in higher education in Minnesota.

The honorees were recognized by the Minnesota Women in Higher Education (MWHE) organization at its annual mini-conference Jan. 10 at the College of St. Catherine.

Blake has served in her capacity at UMM since 1979. UMM Chancellor David Johnson said that this "has been a distinguished appointment, one which unmistakably has advanced the status of women."

Johnson continued, "Many women, and some men, who have chosen to come to or remain at UMM have done so because of their confidence in Bettina's concern for women. During her time as dean, she has been involved in the identification and advancement of many promising women scholars who exemplify the improving climate for women at UMM which Bettina has helped shape."

In her letter of nomination, colleague Maria-Luisa Rodriguez Lee, associate professor of Spanish, wrote, "From the outset, and during all the subsequent years, I was struck by Dean Blake's professional records: her untiring dedication and hard work; her vision for UMM as she leads it on academic matters and important curriculum innovations; her broad, in-depth knowledge of leading educational programs nationwide, her support of faculty, women particularly, in matters of tenure and promotion; and her encouragement and support of our research grants."

Blake, who is also professor of French at UMM, has a doctorate in French literature from Columbia University in New York, and she has taught French at Barnard College, the



Vice Chancellor and Dean Elizabeth Blake

Women's College of Columbia, and at Wellesley College in Massachusetts before coming to UMM. She has held a variety of administrative posts, ranging from language laboratory director and foreign student adviser to her current position as chief academic officer. She is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and she received a Fulbright scholarship to study at the University of Paris. She is a past president of the Minnesota Fulbright Society, has been a keynoter at Bush Collaborative seminars, is a leader on the American Council on Education's National Identification Project for Women Administrators, a commissioner-at-large for the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (the regional accrediting body) and serves on the Board of Directors of the Stevens Community Memorial Hospital.

MWHE is an association committed to enhancing the status of women in academe, and works toward fulfilling this commitment in four goal areas: to facilitate networking and professional development; to help women become visible and respected members of the campus community; to promote an equitable learning environment and professional climate for all women on campus; and to increase knowledge about resources and opportunities for women in higher education.

UMM wishes to thank UMM alumna Linda Powers for the drawing of the new Student Center featured at the top of the page.

From the President: Ron Jost ('69)

The UMM Alumni Association has made a significant change recently in its membership policy. As president of the Association I want to be absolutely sure that all of our alumni understand one essential point.

UMM Alumni Association membership is open and automatically conferred upon all graduates and former students with 15 credits or more. In the past the UMM Alumni Association has had membership dues or a requirement that a gift be made to annual giving to earn membership status. This is no longer the case. If you are an alum of UMM (as defined above, either being a graduate or having earned 15 credits or more) then you are a full fledged member of the UMM Alumni Association. That's it.

In lieu of receiving membership fees from you, the UMM Alumni Association is funded through voluntary contributions to UMM's annual giving program. Therefore, while all UMM alumni receive full membership status and services, we do ask for your annual support of our efforts — and other UMM causes — through UMM's annual giving program.

One of the responsibilities of the UMM Alumni Association President is to represent the Morris campus at the University of Minnesota Alumni Association National Board of Directors meetings. I find these meetings to be of particular interest because they provide a forum by which we can analyze how UMM fits into the larger University picture.

One of the issues currently of great concern to the U of M National Alumni Association Board is their pressing need to increase membership. Currently, with 30,000 members, they rank among the lowest of the big ten colleges in percentage of alumni who are members.

To remedy the situation, an all out campaign is in process to increase membership. It has been the posture of the UMM Alumni Board to protect our alumni from undue solicitations, and even though the U of M National Alumni Association Board has agreed to honor our request, there is a chance you may be solicited. You should, therefore, be aware that these are two distinct alumni associations with different fundraising programs and mem-

bership qualifications. *While UMM's Alumni Association membership is free, the U of M Alumni Association requires separate dues.*

We at UMM do not have the advantage of seeking financial support from a large alumni body, nor do we have numerous corporate contributions or an abundance of special endowments from wealthy alumni. Instead, our future depends on widespread involvement from a smaller number of relatively young alumni. Our nucleus of alumni and friends who cherish their educational experiences and believe in what UMM has to offer is a most precious resource. If you choose to become a dues-paying member of the "big" U of M Alumni Association, please do not forget that the Morris campus needs your continued involvement and support.

One of the methods of alumni involvement is through our new UMM class agent program and I would like to provide an update on our progress. First of all, in previous *UMM To You* publications, the class agent concept was described as a method whereby representatives of classes serve as liaisons between their peers and the alumni Board. The class agents will correspond with their classmates at least semi-annually via a newsletter. The intent is to keep them informed about their classmates and more importantly, encourage involvement in various UMM events.

At the December 7, 1991 Board meeting it was decided that class agents from the classes of 1964-1990 will be clustered and the agent will represent three years, such as 1964, '65 and '66 or 1988, '89 and '90. Beginning with the 1991 class, each year will have its own representative.

The alumni Board is currently identifying and contacting one or two persons from each cluster of years. This process is expected to be completed by the end of the month. It is the intent of the Board to have the class agent program fully operational by next year.

The class agent is a prestigious position. It is important, therefore, to have enthusiastic and dedicated representatives to insure future success. Additional information will be forthcoming as the program progresses.

Student Center Room Names Reflect History, Origins of Campus

Thanks to the help and encouragement of alumni, students, faculty and staff, the rooms in the new Student Center will bear the stamp of the rich cultural heritage of the UMM campus. Suggestions for room names came from the campus community, alumni, and friends. A campus committee of the Student Center Committee was charged with proposing final names for approval by the Chancellor.

After thorough debate and consultation with other campuses, historians, and Native American students and alumni, the following names have been chosen for rooms in the Student Center.

The three major areas of the Student Center reflect the three educational developments in the campus history. **Turtle Mountain Cafe** recognizes the earliest years, when the campus served as home to an American Indian School. Many of the early Native American students came from the Turtle Mountain Reservation in North Dakota.

Edson Auditorium honors the West Central School of Agriculture, which operated on this site from 1910 until 1960. The auditorium is named for superintendent Allen W. Edson, who during his long tenure with the WCSA also served as instructor, horticulturist, and community leader.

The great hall, representing UMM, is named **Oyate Hall**, a Lakota expression meaning "the people." Oyate Hall can be subdivided into three rooms: the Alumni Room, the University Room, and the Cougar Room.

Other room names reflect UMM traditions and its place on the prairie. The downstairs games and vending areas will be called **Louie's Lower Level**, resurrecting the name of UMM's first student-faculty-staff lounge which was located in the lower level of Behmler Hall. The downstairs meeting rooms will be known as the **Mocassin Flower** rooms in honor of the WCSA yearbook and Minnesota's state flower. The campus lounge will be called **Prairie Lounge**, and the dressing rooms/meeting rooms will denote prairie flowers named **Wind Flower** and **Pasque Flower**.

UMM Alumni Association Membership

All grads and former students who have earned 15 credits or more are members. There are no dues.

UMM Gifts Rise Sharply

Gifts to UMM in this fiscal year are up sharply, totaling \$61,133.80 as of February 23. This includes all types of gifts from all sources. Within that total, annual gifts to UMM also show a marked increase over last year to date, rising to ~~\$33,621.18~~.

The year's annual giving includes gifts from 81 new alumni donors generated through the efforts of student callers conducting a phonathon to UMM alumni. Student calling will continue during spring quarter.

UMM's fundraising program is in its fifth year. Gifts from alumni, parents, the Morris community, friends, and faculty and staff enrich campus life and make possible a variety of opportunities for which funding is not otherwise available.

To date, over \$20,000 in gifts and pledges has been raised in a special effort aimed at helping to furnish the new Student Center. The overall goal for this effort is \$50,000. Funds are needed by July 1, 1992. If you have not yet contributed, please send your gift to the Office of Fund Development, 312 Behmler Hall, UMM, Morris, MN 56267-2113. For further information about all of UMM's giving programs, contact Vivian Heltemes ('77), director of development, at (612) 589-6066.

Class Notes

CLASS OF '64

John Gilbert has been named senior vice president of member insurance services for the Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL) in Appleton, Wisc. John had been general manager of AAL's field staff in the North-central U.S. region.

Gary Johnson is working for the U.S. General Services Administration of Chicago, Ill. He will soon be involved with the new 300,000 square foot federal courthouse across from the municipal building of Minneapolis.

David Moe will have his work featured in a special International Poets Academy publication, *The International Poet*, devoted to "Poetry — David Moe." The journal is sent to over 10,000 universities and libraries around the world.

Arnie Stein recently received the State Farm Insurance Company Golden Triangle award in recognition of consistent profitability, quality, conscientiousness and professional underwriting skills. He was among ten honorees out of 750 agents in the North Central region of the country, having qualified for the award after earning Legion of Honor status for 15 consecutive years.

CLASS OF '67

Betty Grant teaches fifth grade at West elementary school in Great Falls, Mont. She received a master's degree in elementary education from Northern Montana College. She and her husband, Jim, have two children.

CLASS OF '68

Joel E. Luhman died on October 24, 1991, of lung cancer after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Mary Stella; son, Peter Joel, a senior at University of Minnesota, Duluth; and daughter, Eva Marie, a recent graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Joel had been an English teacher for 22 years; while on a sabbatical in 1990, he wrote *The New User's Guide* for the IBM AS400 com-

puter. He also wrote short humorous stories and was a charter captain in Door County, Wisc., for four summers.

Jim Winter has accepted the position of associate professor of fisheries at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, Texas. He writes, "There are many students interested in fisheries here, but little water."

CLASS OF '69

Lee Temte began working last summer for the American Family Insurance Company in Minneapolis. He is a licensed representative, marketing insurance to residents in the university and downtown communities.

CLASS OF '71

Linda Sparby is in her third year of teaching at Tri County High School in the Middle River area. She teaches English to seventh, eighth and eleventh grade students, and college prep English to seniors. Linda's husband, **Eldon ('70)**, is the principal at the Mid-

dle River Community School. They have four children: Stacie, 21, and Paul, 19, attend Concordia College; John, 16, and Stefanie, 12, attend the Middle River school.

CLASS OF '72

Terry Lewison illustrated the newly released children's book *Out of the Nest*, by Dr. Pat Malone. The first in a trilogy, *Out of the Nest* boasts fifteen of Terry's illustrations plus a watercolor cover. He is already at work on the illustrations for the second book in the series.

CLASS OF '73

Randy Sieg is a real estate agent with John Hall Associates in Phoenix, Ariz. He and his family live in Scottsdale.

Chancellor's Choice

Dave Johnson

This column is my best way to talk with you who are alumni and parents of our present students about issues I perceive to be important to you. One of those issues was the place of sports at UMM, another the financial future of the campus. Now I want to address a question which arises in many forms, all variations on these themes:

It's good to hear that Morris is doing so well. But it sure has changed. What I appreciated was all the fun we had. Now I hear it's strictly academics. I guess there wouldn't be a place for me today. Or for our kids.

One highly thoughtful letter to this effect got me to doing some research. What I was interested in was the extent to which UMM students today complement their classwork with the campus-sponsored activities which are so vital a part of liberal education. While this is no highly scientific survey, let me report some observations on our own UMM campus which verify national research on academically-oriented students both in high schools and colleges. High ability students tend also to be high participators in activities, including the whole range of sports, music, theatre, clubs, governance, and service projects. Here are some numbers and insights I have gathered after visiting with some key people in student affairs, music and athletics here:

- We are adding about 4 new student organizations a year, year in and year out; we drop about one a year. Take the following examples of liberal arts commitment outside the classroom: karate club, jugglers, peer health educators, student-led orchestra. We now have 65 student clubs v. 37 in 1980-81, 46 in 1985-86. I think most liberal arts colleges would envy this range of opportunities for our students.

- Participation in intramurals climbs steadily; those activities claim 1200-1500 participants depending upon the quarter. That in a student body of 1900 is extraordinary. Meanwhile, about 200 students are in intercollegiate athletics; there are of course more teams now, a tribute to the social change for women Title IX helped produce.

- Musical ensembles are another success story. A few examples: 110 students in chorus, 100 in band, 100 in about 20 varied small ensembles, 75 in choir, 55 in our three jazz groups, 25 in the above-mentioned orchestra which students are putting together, this without administrative funding or faculty staffing.

- Another measure of participation is attendance at Campus Activities Council events: 13,970 people walked through those turnstiles in 1980-81, 17,985 in 1985-86, 27,000 last year. That growth is far steeper than the increase in student body, indicating that more students attend more activities per year.

Now, to change the subject, to deal with the comment that one's children cannot be admitted into the school their parents loved, will not fit into the culture here. I think that fear is exaggerated. We're just beginning to experience applications from our graduates' children; we are very much involved with younger siblings of graduates. We only began to include the question about family connections on our application form two years ago, and so our data base is sketchy. I know, though, from conversations with Bob Vikander and Gary McGrath that they are committed to give our alumni families every possible consideration when we make admission decisions. Like any good college, we are sensitive to the importance of family educational traditions. I am certain that any "legacy" student

who has the indication that s/he will succeed academically will get a good hearing in the UMM admission decision process.

Here are some important data from the two years in which we have collected information about our applicants' family connections to UMM. I combine that with other recent data about target groups for us:

Overall we admitted 48% of our applicants. Now let me take three sub-categories of this pool. We admitted the following percentages from each applicant pool with confidence that they measured up to our overall standards:

- 51% of our minorities;
- 62% of our "legacy" families, defined as child or sibling of a person who attended UMM;
- 64% of our recruited athletes.

What we cannot do, whether an applicant is a legacy, a minority person, a recruited athlete, a musician or a person unknown to anyone here, is to set any student up for failure, to admit those who do not show signs of being able to succeed here. Their high school counselors and our admissions staff have sound judgement about these matters. In more cases than not, the student and family who believe in the public, residential, undergraduate, liberal arts mission of UMM will be successful here. Let's not sell these students short.

It is so important that you, our alumni, be interpreters of UMM in your communities. I think you can be encouraged by such a high degree of involvement of this generation of students. Family traditions are beginning to form. Such involvement and such identification are good predictors of strong retention and alumni pride. Come back and see!

UMM Alumnus Prepares for Second Summer Olympics

UMM alumnus Dennis Koslowski ('81) knows first-hand the excitement of competing in the Olympics, having returned from the 1988 competitions in Korea with a bronze medal in Greco-Roman wrestling.

Now, in 1992, with just four months until the start of the summer Olympics, he is gearing up again for the possibility of Olympic competition.

"I took a couple of years off to rest myself both mentally and physically, to see if I still wanted to compete. I realize that I do and now I hope to win a better medal," says the Doland, South Dakota native.

Currently ranked number one in the U.S. in Greco-Roman wrestling at 220 pounds, Dennis has set his sights on May 30 when the Olympic Trials are held in Concord, California, just north of San Francisco. That's when he needs to win two of three matches against a challenger in order to secure his spot on the U.S. team.

If he wins, he will begin training with the team in mid-June. Team workouts two or three times per day will be held at Olympic Training Camps in Lake Placid, New York and southern France before arriving in Barcelona, Spain for the opening ceremonies on July 24.

Greco-Roman wrestling is the oldest form of competitive wrestling and was one of the four events held in the first Olympics. However, Olympic success in the sport is relatively new to the United States. Until 1984, no American had ever won a Greco-Roman Olympic medal. In 1988, Dennis' twin brother Duane also competed, placing 8th in the Greco-Roman super heavyweight class.

When not engaged in wrestling pursuits, Dennis practices chiropractic medicine in his office near downtown Minneapolis. He and his wife, Sylvie, have two daughters, Angela, aged six years, and Natalie, ten months.

1992 Homecoming Weekend

October 23 - 25

To be held in the new Student Center. Watch *UMM To You* for details.

Class Notes

CLASS OF '75

David Doughty has opened his new office of chiropractic in Buffalo, Minn., with partner Dr. Rita Varner-Otness.

Pam Pastorek Stevens competed in the World Duathlon Championship in Palm Springs, Calif., last November. She finished fourth in her age group in the run/bike/run event. Pam is a rehabilitation counselor in Sartell, Minn., where she resides with her husband, Daryl, and daughter, Jessica.

CLASS OF '76

Nancy Behm is director of the medical laboratory for the Greeley Medical Clinic in Greeley, Colo. She is also working on an M.B.A. at Colorado State University. Nancy lives in Loveland with her two sons.

Diane (Boetler) Fuchs is currently teaching fourth grade in the Sleepy Eye, Minn., schools. She is replacing a teacher currently on maternity leave. Diane will be teaching kindergarten and first grade this spring, again serv-

ing as a maternity leave replacement. Diane farms with her husband, Greg, near Sleepy Eye; they have four children, Deanna, 12, Tony, 10, Paul, 7, and Andrea, 3½.

Thomas Classen wrote, "Two of my six greyhounds recently were given their field championship in lure coursing." Tom lives in Bothell, Wash., and works as a human resources manager for Burlington Environmental in Seattle.

Barbara Weiner is now head librarian for the Hazeldon Foundation. Her husband, **Terry Reznicek ('77)**, is self-employed as a piano teacher/technician. They have one daughter, Megan, 10 years old.

CLASS OF '77

Jean (Lee) Hartzog lives in Monroe, La. She works with BEAR (Basic Education on Addiction and Recovery), a program for children whose parents are in treatment for drug and alcohol abuse.

Kent Meyers was awarded a Creative Writing Fellowship for 1992 by the National Endowment for the Arts; the grant is for \$20,000. He has successfully published fiction in various journals including *The Georgia Review* and *The Southern Review*, and recently won the *Crazyhorse Fiction Award*.

Nancy (Rickmeyer) Weidt is a teacher at the Minnesota State Academy for the Blind in Faribault, Minn.

CLASS OF '78

Patsy Amborn was selected 1991 Teacher of the Year by her colleagues in the Laverne Education Association. Patsy has taught for 14 years, the last seven of which have been in fourth grade.

Marlene Jacobson Lang earned her master of arts degree from South Dakota State University, Brookings, in May of last year. She is presently an instructor of English at the University of South Dakota (USD), Vermillion.

Her husband, **Steve Lang ('89)**, is a freelance writer, and works as an information specialist with the USDA Office of University Relations. They have two children, Zeb and Alexis, and live in Vermillion.

Richard and Nancy Ronning are in the process of adopting their second child, from Korea, who will join the family in their Brooklyn Park, Minn., home. Richard is an independent agent with the State Farm Insurance Companies; Nancy is at home full time with their five-year-old son, eagerly awaiting the arrival of the new baby.

CLASS OF '79

Linda (Walker) DeWitt and her husband, Tom, proudly announced the birth of their son, Travis Charles, December 15, 1991. Travis joins two older sisters, Jodi and Tara. Linda is a special education teacher at Lincoln elementary in Alexandria, Minn.

Research Experience Sheds Light on Problems Both Abstract and Real



Amy Wissink, right, of Fall Creek, Wis., reviews computer data from her research experience with Michael Korth, left, chair of the Division of Science and Mathematics at the University of Minnesota, Morris. Wissink is a junior physics major at UMM.

Through her research experience, Amy Wissink, a University of Minnesota, Morris junior from Fall Creek, Wis., learned that working on intense computer programs is a "lot like solving problems in everyday life."

Wissink, the daughter of Alvin and Rosemary Wissink of Fall Creek, took part in an experiment and research being conducted by Dr. Michael Korth, associate professor of physics and chair of the Division of Science and Mathematics at UMM, studying the light-scattering effects in super-fluid helium.

Work on the project was made possible by a summer research grant given to Korth by Research Corporation of Tucson, Ariz. The grant also provided summer stipends for student assistants. Wissink worked about 40 hours per week during the summer, assisting Korth in developing computer programs that would put research data into graph form. Korth is the first scientist to develop this idea, and the computer programs were his own creation.

The basic goal of Wissink and Korth's work was to match up the experimental findings on light-scattering in super-fluid helium with a respective mathematical and theoretical model.

No one at this time knows why light scatters when it is shone through the super-fluid helium. Super-fluid helium is highly unusual because it is the only substance currently known to remain a liquid when cooled to absolute zero.

Wissink and Korth developed the model by adding a back-flow function to the formula. The results were promising because they nearly match those found in the experimental data. These results were presented by Korth at the Seventh International Conference on Recent Progress in Many Body Theories held in Minneapolis Aug. 26-31. Wissink also attended the conference.

In addition to her physics major, Wissink is working toward her secondary education certificate and a minor in music at Morris. She has been recently selected as a member to the Search Committee for New Physics Faculty at the University and is also involved in InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and track.

Korth, a member of the UMM faculty since 1984, received his bachelor's degree from UMM and his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Maryland. His current work on the light-scattering in super-fluid helium is an extension of his graduate work on the critical properties of helium.

UMM To Provide Leadership in General Education Across the United States

The University of Minnesota, Morris is one of 16 institutions selected from a field of 118 applications nationwide to participate in the Project on Strong Foundations for General Education sponsored by the Association of American Colleges (AAC) and supported by a grant from the Lilly Endowment.

According to UMM Chancellor David Johnson, much of the credit for this public recognition of the UMM general education curriculum goes to the faculty and students who have made general education a priority at UMM over the past six years. Johnson especially cited Elizabeth Blake, vice chancellor for academic affairs and dean; Wilbert Ahern, chair of the Division of the Social Sciences; Peter Whelan, associate professor of geology and Inquiry coordinator; and Mary Ruth Brown, assistant dean and director of general education.

Brown, who will coordinate UMM's participation, explained that AAC designed the collaboration especially for institutions which already have a general education curriculum and want to assure its continuing vitality. Brown said that the project will address issues concerning general

education policies, structures and procedures. "In short," Brown said, "the collaboration is intended to develop, test, improve and disseminate information about ways to strengthen the organizational foundations of general education."

Being chosen to be among the 16 institutions, according to Brown, is significant because it means that UMM's general education program merits national attention and that AAC recognizes the value of the UMM general education curriculum. "With the selection comes a commitment from AAC to help strengthen our program," Brown explained.

The list of participating institutions consists of 10 public and six private colleges and universities which have implemented general education curriculum changes. The first meeting of the collaboration was held Jan. 7-8 in Washington, D. C. Those representing UMM at the meeting were Brown, Ahern and Whelan.

Brown said that she felt UMM's general education program stands out because it is "so comprehensive, and involves all discipline areas and all faculty."

Concert Choir Performance

The sixty-eight member UMM Concert Choir will perform at the World Theatre in downtown St. Paul on Sunday, April 12 beginning at 3:00 p.m. A reception will follow the concert in the lobby of the World Theatre.

The World Theatre performance will mark the end of the Choir's West Coast Tour taken during spring break. Cities on the performance itinerary include Seattle and Tacoma, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Redding, Sacramento, San Mateo, and Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, and Ventura, Calif.

Tickets for the World Theatre Concert may be purchased through Ticketmaster by calling (612) 989-5151, Dayton's, or Great American Music stores. Tickets are \$10 and \$5. Tickets will also be available at the door.

This is the Concert Choir's second performance at the World Theatre. The Concert Choir is under the direction of Dr. Ken Hodgson, associate professor of music.

Class Notes

Mary Kopitzke has accepted an offer to replace the resigning Mille Lacs county attorney; her term will expire in 1994. Mary has been assistant attorney for Stearns County. In accepting the new position, she becomes the second female county attorney in the state.

CLASS OF '80

Jerry Boddy has accepted a sales position with Shelter Products, Inc., of New Ulm, Minn., a wholesale building materials distributor.

Debra (Van Horn) Koehntop lives near Morris with her husband and four children. They are farmers, raising pigs and growing small grain.

CLASS OF '81

Brian Berget is a partner in the Johns, Berget & Company, CPAs, law firm in Cassville, Mo.

Gordon Straw announces his engagement to Evelyn Soto of Chicago. Gordon is director for Native American Ministries for the Evangelical Luth-

eran Church in America. The couple is planning an August wedding in Chicago with a reception to follow in Minnesota.

CLASS OF '82

Don Dainsberg is now the head hockey coach for the Chaska, Minn., high school hockey team.

Tom Gibson makes Minnesota history come alive as he visits schools in the persona of Pierre Bottineau, French voyageur, fur trapper and adventurer. In addition to recreating the lifestyle of a voyageur, including playing a French harp (harmonica), Tom uses the opportunity to teach environmental awareness.

Kathy (Walker) Jacobs has begun teaching fourth grade at Farming elementary school on a full time basis in the Albany school district.

Jeff Silver has been named head men's tennis coach at Augsburg College. He will retain his position as head tennis pro at Rolling Green Country Club in Hamel, Minn.

Cindy (Walker) Welinski and her husband, Jerry, proudly announced the birth of their daughter, Hannah Rose, November 1, 1991. Hannah joins an older brother, Benjamin. Cindy is a first grade teacher at Becker elementary school.

CLASS OF '83

Dan Brophy completed an M.B.A. at Pepperdine University in December. He is now working at TRW, marketing spacecraft programs to the federal government. Dan was married last April; he and his wife, Tracy, have a nine-month-old daughter, Erin.

William and Jeanne (Stoddard) ('86) Heinsohn recently returned to the upper Midwest after spending the last four years in New York state. Bill is a nuclear/mechanical engineer at the Point Beach Nuclear Plant of Wisconsin Electric. Jeanne is a nurse at Two Rivers Clinic, Ltd. The couple resides in Two Rivers, Wisc., where they have just purchased their first home.

Teresa (Jung) Johnson teaches 12 students in grades 1-5 at Naughton school in Lincoln, N.D. Her husband, Terry, works for Northland X-ray. They have a six-year-old son, Thomas, and are expecting another baby this April.

Garland Nelson is working for the Illinois Institute of Technology in alumni research and development. He is planning on Homecoming at UMM this fall.

CLASS OF '84

Glen Goebel has managed the Super 8 Motel in Stillwater, Minn., for the past three years. He and his wife, Lori, have a three-year-old daughter.

Jennifer (Born) Kelly and her husband, Pat, are the proud new parents of twin boys, Quinn and Shane. Born December 19, 1991, they weighed five pounds, eight ounces, and four pounds, seven ounces, respectively.

Five Vocalists Compete in State Auditions



UMM students who participated in the recently held NATS competition are front row, left to right, Ann Michels, Faribault; Sarah Zwaschka, Comfrey; and Michelle Tjernagel, Medford; back row, left to right, Karen Sullivan, Maple Grove; and Jennifer Main, Gaylord.

Five UMM vocal music students competed in state-wide auditions of the Minnesota National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) auditions. This is the first time in recent history that UMM students have participated in this competition, which was held in November at St. John's University, Collegeville.

All of the vocalists were accompanied by Tim Diem, Delano, and are voice students of music faculty member Janet Ahern.

Senior Ann Michels was a semi-finalist out of 30 contestants in the

UMM Assists in Development of World Directory of Teacher Education Institutions

The UMM Division of Education is working with UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Social and Cultural Organization) and ICET (International Council on Education for Teaching) to develop a World Directory of Teacher Education Institutions that prepare teachers and other education specialists.

Information that will be included in the directory is the name, address and phone number of each school, the head of the institution, the types of degrees offered in education and any in-service or pre-service programs

College Undergraduate Women's division of the competition.

Janet Ahern stated that there was a very high quality of performances from the entire group of contestants and especially from the UMM students. She also noted that the vocalists did well in comparison to the other contestants when considering the fact that most of the other competitors in the divisions were planning to go on to do graduate work in music and professional singing careers.

the school might have. The directory will include national associations of teacher education and departments responsible for teacher education.

Scott Perowitz, a student assistant to Professor Craig Kissock, division chair, noted that only schools in countries that are members of UNESCO are in the directory, so the schools of the United States are not included.

This directory will provide a unique source for international cooperation in research and the development of partnerships.

Bush Faculty Enrichment Program Launched at UMM

Four faculty members at UMM have been identified for participation in the Bush Foundation Faculty Enrichment Project, a part of the Bush Regional Collaboration in Faculty Development program.

The four probationary faculty members and their tenured faculty mentors are Solomon Gashaw, assistant professor of sociology, mentored by Ted Underwood, professor of history; Nicholas McPhee, computer science instructor, by Jim Togeas, professor of chemistry; Gwen Rudney, assistant professor of education, by Tom Johnson, associate professor of psychology; and Engin Sungur, assistant professor of mathematics, by Van Gooch, professor of biology.

The Bush Collaboration is an alliance of 80 colleges and universities in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota who work together to develop and evaluate undergraduate curricula, strengthen teaching and learning, and enrich faculty careers. The Collaboration attempts to accomplish these objectives by encouraging active student participation and interaction.

According to Mary Ruth Brown, assistant dean at UMM and director of the faculty enrichment program, much credit for the project goes to Wilbert Ahern, chair of the Division of Social Sciences at UMM. Ahern is also the chair of the Board of Directors of the Bush Regional Collaboration and worked hard to get UMM faculty involved. "UMM continues to be enriched by its affiliation with other participating colleges in this collaboration," Brown said.

Although the program was only recently launched at UMM, it has already started to produce benefits. The Bush Grant was used to offer free registration for one faculty member from each division at the Bush Faculty Development Conference in February. This conference, titled, "The Changing World of Faculty Work: The Vision and Reality" attempts to help participants deal with reduced and changing funding in order to provide for a higher quality of education.

The Regional Collaboration is affiliated with the Minnesota Private College Research Foundation and funded by The Bush Foundation, St. Paul.

UMM Receives Grant to Assist with Waste Education

The Minnesota Office of Waste Management has awarded an \$8,000 grant to UMM to help the campus develop and implement a waste management program.

"The campus of UMM has demonstrated genuine support for recycling and waste reduction," said UMM Chancellor David Johnson, "but current fiscal problems at the state and University have halted progress on implementing a more comprehensive approach. These funds will provide needed start-up funds and momentum for the project. In the long-term, recycling and waste abatement will be internalized into the University system. Waste abatement is undoubtedly in our and everyone's best interest."

According to Vernard Brown, manager of general services and chair of the UMM waste committee, the project has three main goals. The first is to significantly reduce the amount of office paper entering the waste stream through reuse, recycling and increased use of electronic transfer of information. The second is to decrease the amount of other recyclable materials entering the waste stream, particularly the plastic, glass and tin waste generated in residence halls and food service operation. The third is ongoing awareness-building regarding waste abatement and litter prevention. The overall program is expected to get fully underway this year with a pilot program of paper recycling being implemented in Behmler Hall.

Class Notes

Shari (Kittelson) Opdahl proudly announces the birth of her first child, Brittany Megan, born September 22, 1991.

CLASS OF '85

Sara (Rois) Murr received a master of science degree in elementary education from Mankato State University in March of last year. She is currently teaching sixth grade in Prior Lake, Minn. Sara is now enrolled at the University of St. Thomas, pursuing a specialist's degree in elementary administration. Her husband, **Brett ('88)**, is manager and head of computer operations at Family Dining, Inc., in Shakopee. The couple resides in Savage, Minn.

Joni "Wheels" Wheeler dropped us a note explaining she is now a "member of the Park Rapids Area Community Band (and dance band) along with fellow UMMers **Jeff Johnson ('83)**, **Dee Johnson ('84)**, and **Monica Hokanson-Landquist ('87)**. Rumor has it more UMM alumni will join us in

the spring!" The band is under the direction of James (Wheels, Sr.) Wheeler. Joni is also playing in several blues groups around Minneapolis. She adds, "See you at the Jazz Fest!!!"

CLASS OF '86

Michael Chevalier is working for Chevalier and Associates as a marketing/management agent, handling properties operating in Alaska. He is also in the beginning stages of developing congregate housing in the Matanuska Valley.

Leanne (McNeal) Labbie is finishing her third year of teaching physical education at Escambia high school in Pensacola, Fla. She is head coach of both swimming and tennis, and has produced a number of state swimmers during the last three years. Her husband, James, is a State Farm Insurance agent; the couple has a four-year-old son, Dylan, and resides in Pensacola.

Connie Jorgensen and **Blair Nelson ('89)** recently moved to St. Cloud,

Minn., where Blair is a chef for the Sunwood Inn and Connie is a placement specialist with Opportunity Training Center.

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Beth Gillespie announces her engagement to Timothy Hallauer of Colfax, Wash. Beth is currently a graduate student in geology at Washington State University, and works for the University of Idaho, Moscow. Tim is a student at GMI Engineering and Management Institute in Flint, Mich., majoring in electrical and mechanical engineering. Beth and her son, Benjamin, live in Albion, Wash.

Marsha Goll announces her engagement to Chris Muntifer. Marsha is currently an elementary teacher in Buffalo, Minn., and Chris is a real estate appraiser with a Minneapolis law firm. They are planning an April wedding.

Ann Grossman announces her upcoming marriage to Michael Casey. The

couple is planning a June wedding in Carlton, Minn.

Blaine Hill is the new city administrator for the city of Breckenridge, Minn.

Robert and Denise (Ruter) Murphy were married last May. They are living in LaCrosse, Wisc., where Robert works for Borden, Inc., and Denise works for Dayton-Hudson.

Daniel G. O'Brien is a conversational English instructor at the American Eigo Ga Kuin school in Japan. He writes, "Teaching English in Japan is *sugoi*, which means great! This move is an 'about self' learning experience as much as an 'about Japan' learning experience."

CLASS OF '88

Jim Friedrich died on December 30, 1991, of cancer. In 1990 he completed the master's degree program in history at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, earning high praise from both the graduate faculty there and UMM social sciences faculty who

Faculty and Staff Corner UMM Retirements Announced

Vicky Demos, associate professor of sociology, has completed a one-year exchange with Prof. Carmel Desmarchelier, a sociologist from the University of New South Wales, St. George Campus, Oatley, Australia. In addition to teaching six classes, Demos continued research for her book on Greek Kytherian women in Australia, America and Greece which she hopes to complete by 1995. She also presented a paper on "Rapid Urbanization in Greece, the Village Feast Day Celebration and Ambivalence" at the Australian Sociological Association conference in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia.

Gary Donovan, director of the Career Center, delivered a presentation on "Career Services Programming for Adults and Alumni" at the Minnesota College and University Placement Directors Association meeting held recently at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul.

David Hoppe, professor of biology, co-authored a paper published in the 1991 Nov./Dec. issue of the *Minnesota Volunteer*, with Robert McKinnell of the St. Paul campus. The paper is titled "Minnesota's Mutant Leopard Frogs," and summarizes the authors' recent research while discussing frogs and their environmental problems in general.

John Irvine, director of counseling services, and **Tim Renn**, assistant counselor, have been selected by the U.S. Department of Transportation, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, to attend a federally funded training program March 3-5 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The three day seminar is titled "Policies and Programs for the 1990's: A Team Approach to the Prevention of Alcohol, Other Drug, and Traffic Safety Problems in Higher Education." The primary focus of the program is to assist colleges and universities in developing policies and programs aimed at preventing alcohol and drug use problems by all members of the campus community and to promote a healthy educational environment by eliminating the risks associated with alcohol and other drug use.

Sun Kahng, professor of economics, has attended a number of economic seminars and initiated the negotiation for the establishment of a

student/faculty exchange program with Yonsei University in Seoul, Korea during the past six months.

Kahng first went to the University of California, Santa Barbara, to attend a National Endowment for the Humanities faculty seminar on the economic development and democratization in Argentina and Latin America.

Next, Kahng flew to the Khabarovsk Academy of Science in the Soviet Union. He attended a seminar in Khabarovsk, and then traveled by train to Vladivostok where he attended another conference and presented one of his papers.

Kahng then returned to Tokyo, Japan, to visit the Institute of Developing Economies (IDE) which is the largest and the most prestigious economic institute in Japan. In collaboration with the IDE, he and his team surveyed and studied trade in-services and foreign direct investment of the United States and Canada. The results of the research were published in a co-authored book. His research associates were Dr. Engin Sungur, assistant professor of statistics at UMM, and Mr. C. F. J. Richards, a research economist from Canada. He was also assisted by three UMM students, Cheryl Johnson of Duluth, Minn., Cynthia Koehn of Burtrum, Minn., and Douglas Frazey of Ham Lake, Minn.

Kahng also made a trip to Korea, where he delivered two lectures at Cheju National University and Myongji University. He also attended the National Endowment for the Humanities Northeast Asia Round Table Conference in Seoul where he participated in the discussion of the feasibility of forming a regional economic cooperative among the countries of Northeast Asia.

Jeffrey Ratliff-Crain, assistant professor of psychology, has received his Ph.D. in medical psychology from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Md., a military medical school. Ratliff-Crain completed his dissertation titled "Stress, Coping, and Coffee Consumption" in which he studied whether the amount of coffee consumed by moderate to heavy coffee drinkers increased while they were under stress.

Lois Norby, business office employee at UMM for nearly 30 years, retired on September 13, 1991 from her position as business office supervisor. During her tenure she completed a University Without Walls degree at UMM in business administration with an emphasis on administrative management. She now lives in Moorhead, Minn.

Russell DuBois, head librarian at the Rodney A. Briggs Library since 1967, retired at the end of December, 1991. DuBois built the library from 30,000 volumes housed temporarily in the old Cougar Cafe to its current collection of nearly 160,000 volumes. He also brought the library on-line with an automated catalogue system. DuBois plans to continue his residence in Alexandria, Minn., spending time fishing and reading.

Donna Scarborough, senior secretary for campus health services for over 20 years, retired as of January, 1992. Her plans include spending the winter months in Arizona enjoying golf, bridge and travel, and the summer months at her lake home on West Battle Lake enjoying her friends and flowers, and playing with her dog, Midget.

Professor Attends NATO Conference

Kathy Benson, associate professor of psychology, recently attended the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) research workshop in Grange-Over-Sands, Cumbria, United Kingdom.

The workshop was on "Theoretical Perspectives on Autobiographical Memory." While there, Benson presented a paper titled "Socio-Historical Context and Autobiographical Memories: Variations in the Reminiscence Phenomenon" which was co-authored by Benson, and the following UMM student researchers: Steven Jarvi from Alexandria; Yukio Arai from Tokyo, Japan; Kathleen Frye from Ortonville; and two recent UMM alumni Paula Thielbar ('90), Luverne, and Brenda McDonald ('90), St. Cloud. The paper was one outcome of a large study on vivid memories in older adults, as well as the effect of cultural and historical factors upon their memories.

The study was funded in part by grants to Benson by the All-University Council on Aging and the Office of International Education of the University of Minnesota.

New Program Adviser Hired in Student Activities

Angela Bies of Drumore, Pa. was hired to fill the newly created position of student activities program adviser at the University of Minnesota, Morris. The position is full-time and began Jan. 2, 1992.

Bies earned her master's degree in business, arts administration, from the University of Wisconsin, Madison in May of 1990. She received her bachelor's degree in arts administration from Butler University, graduating in 1988.

As director, Bies will advise and coordinate efforts of the Campus Activities Council and support student organizations and individuals interested in sponsoring activities by providing advice and helping coordinate events. She will serve as a resource person to the *Minority Student Program* and organizations addressing multiculturalism and diversity at UMM and assist in coordinating the summer activities program.

Prior to coming to UMM, Bies worked with the U.S. Peace Corps Small Business Sector with the Government of Kenya Development Training Institute as a deputy director and instructor. She also has previous experience as a program adviser and concerts coordinator at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

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worked with him during his undergraduate years here.

Laura A. Lehner works for Norcostco/Northwestern Costume, Minneapolis, in technical sales.

Robert Logan has joined the Pawnee Mental Health Services staff in Concordia, Kan., as an outpatient psychotherapist.

CLASS OF '89

Eunice Johnson married **Tim Peabody ('90)** in June of last year. Eunice was hired as a permanent substitute teacher for grades 8-9 in Brainerd, Minn. Tim teaches seventh and eighth grade science in Pequot Lakes, Minn.

Michelle (Hickman) Smith is attending graduate school in counseling at Moorhead State University.

Lily (Eich) Servatius has been working with mentally ill adults at the Hope Community Support Center in St. Cloud, Minn., as a mental health outpatient therapist since 1989. She

resides with her husband, Scot, and son, Nathan, in Melrose, Minn.

CLASS OF '90

Terry L. Blinkman is a sales representative for the Automotive Trades Division of the 3M Corporation.

Sherry Dessonville has been accepted to the master of education program at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. She is a long-term substitute teacher at the Dawson-Boyd high school, and serves as advisor to the school's Future Farmers of America club. Sherry and her husband, John, were recently named 1991-92 National Chaircouple by the Young Cooperators Steering Committee in Madison, Wisc., during the World Dairy Expo.

Jennifer (Pettis) and Paul Harding ('88) are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Katrina Joyce, December 9, 1991. Paul is a district sales manager for Mrs. Fields, Inc., and Jennifer works at Children's World. The family resides in Roseville, Minn.

Beth Kopitzke has been named "Clarkfield Editor" for the Granite Falls, Minn., *Advocate-Tribune* newspaper.

Charles Lewis is a research and development chemist for the Aldrich Chemical Company in Milwaukee.

Nanci Sifferath has been working at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota in Eagan since December 1990 as a senior accounting clerk in the finance department.

Kimberly Stark announces her engagement to UMM senior David Storlie. The couple is planning a June wedding to be held in Faribault, Minn.

Andrew Svec has accepted the position of assistant director of residential life at the University of Minnesota, Crookston.

Jane Williamson is an office manager for Business Men's Assurance Company in Wayzata, Minn.

Jeff and Pam Zurn are working in Minneapolis. Jeff is with Norcostoco,

Inc., in customer service and technical sales. Pam is an advertising assistant with Minnesota Suburban Publications.

CLASS OF '91

Laura A. Blomgren is head toddler teacher for KIDS, Inc., in Hutchinson, Minn.

Melinda "Mindy" Biers Reeder was married to Jim Reeder last July. She completed the University of Minnesota journalism program, with an emphasis in public relations, and writes that she's "loving the new career!" Mindy is working as an assistant manager for JoAnn Fabrics in Faribault, Minn.

Marin Fynboh is living in St. Paul, working as the community resource assistant for the city's sixth district.

Dan Hegrenes joined the Peace Corps for two years and has been assigned to Samoa. He is teaching science to grades 7-12, and he adds, "working in other activities that come my way."

Cougar Sports



Cougar Sports

Cougar Athletes Promote Importance of Academics to Area Elementary Students



Jim Fritz, 126-pound wrestler for the University of Minnesota, Morris Cougar wrestling program from Victoria, Minn., recently spoke to fifth grade students in Kyle Berget's classroom at the Morris Area Elementary School. Under the theme, "Tackle the Books," the program features UMM athletes talking about the necessity of studying. Fritz talked to the students about his experiences as a student first and as a wrestler second, and he answered questions about life as a college student, including classes he took to prepare himself for a major in biology. The appearance of UMM student athletes in Morris schools is a jointly sponsored effort by Morris radio station KMRS-KKOK and the Cougar Club, in cooperation with Morris schools.

Bisek and Onstad Win Bi-District Wrestling Championships

UMM wrestlers Matt Bisek and Nels Onstad won championships at the NAIA Bi-District Individual Tournament held Feb. 15 at Southwest State in Marshall. Bisek, a senior Cougar co-captain from New Prague, won the 142-pound title, and Onstad, a junior from Morris, won the 150-pound championship. No other Cougar wrestler placed. UMM head coach Doug Reese explained that only first-

place wins count in the bi-district tournament.

This was Reese's first season as the Cougar head coach, and he was pleased to report that, as of last week, *Amateur Wrestling News*, the oldest amateur wrestling publication, had UMM rated 12th in the nation in the NAIA. Reese said he intends to use that impressive rating to persuade talented prospects to consider UMM.

First Time National Honors Awarded UMM Volleyball Players

It's the first time any UMM volleyball player has been named to an All-American team, and only the second time in UMM sports history that a woman athlete has been nationally recognized. At the very top of the list of 73 student-athletes, named as 1991 NAIA Volleyball All-American Scholar-Athletes, is junior co-captain Carolyn "Katie" Fragodt, Benson. Also on the list is UMM's other co-captain, junior Stacy Rust, Blaine. Rust was also named to the 1991 NAIA All-American Honorable Mention Volleyball team.

According to NAIA standards, an All-American Scholar-Athlete for volleyball must be at least a junior or senior varsity performer, must have been enrolled at their nominating institution a minimum of one term and must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.50 on a 4.00 scale. Fragodt, an outside hitter for the Cougars, has maintained a perfect 4.00 GPA as a mathematics/economics major. Rust, majoring in mathematics/secondary education, has maintained a 3.62 GPA.

UMM head volleyball coach Sheila Perkins said that Rust, a middle hitter for the Cougars, is only the second woman athlete in UMM history to be named to an All-American team.

Cougars Welcome Latvian Basketball Coach



Andris Rudzitis joins UMM for a one-year visit.

Andris Rudzitis joins the Cougar coaching staff this year from his university, the Latvian State Institute of Sports and Culture, in Riga, Latvia. He has been a highly successful coach for 20 years in his home country. Coach Rudzitis has established basketball camps and leagues in Latvia, as well as made a film on instructional techniques for young basketball players. "Obviously, Andris' expertise is a great advantage for us. He understands the game and is especially knowledgeable in perimeter play," said Basketball Coach Perry Ford. "It has been, and will continue to be, a great cultural and athletic experience for all of us. We're lucky to have Andris here."

Final Cougar Basketball Scores

Women's

Cougars ended their regular season at 15-12 overall, qualifying for district play. Ten players were selected for the All-District Team.

Men's

The Cougars finished with a 15-13 overall record, 3-8 in the NIC.

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Linda Juusola instructed the first adult swim class offered by the Minnewaska Community Education program.

Sara Kerr has started graduate classes in comparative literature at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

Joyce Lacey completed work on her first motion picture, *Equinox*, last winter. She began work on a second picture, a Disney film, in January.

Vern Malone directed the one act play, *Juvie*, for the Sebeka schools this past season. He plans to go to New York this spring to study drama.

Michael D. Murphy now lives in Davis, Calif., and has begun the doctoral program in psychology at the University of California, Davis.

Anita Raeker is now in Malibu, Calif., attending law school.

Sandy Rauch wrote in January, "After spending four wonderful months in Mobile, Ala., I am now seeking gainful employment and spend my free

time listening to old UMM Concert Choir tapes!" In February we heard from her again, "I'm employed at a group home for developmentally disabled adults in Winsted."

Tim Smith is attending graduate school. He is in the industrial relations program of the University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management.

Barbara Stevenson is now working for Stevens County as a social worker. She is in charge of licensing for day care and foster care homes.

Dirk and Karen (Weiher) Thompson were married on July 31, 1991. They now live in Rochester, Minn.

Jackie Wollschlager has obtained a position as a social worker with the Texas Department of Human Services, and is now living in Humble, Texas.

Todd Young was accepted into the doctoral program in astrophysics at Purdue University.

Class Notes Clip & Send

Let us hear from you! Next Class Notes deadline is May 1.

Name(s) _____
(Include maiden name, if appropriate)

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Alumni Events Calendar

- March 19-29 West Coast UMM Concert Choir Tour, including Seattle, San Francisco, Portland and Los Angeles.
- April 3-4 Jazz Fest at UMM — Tickets must be purchased in advance. Gen. adm. \$6 through Student Activities office. Guest artists Jane Ira Bloom, sax, and Bobby Shew, trumpet.
- April 4 Alumni Jazz Ensemble performance and reception
Alumni Association Quarterly Board of Directors Meeting
- April 12 UMM Concert Choir performance, 3:00 p.m. at the historic World Theatre, downtown St. Paul. Reception following in the World Theatre lobby. For ticket information, contact Ticketmaster (612) 989-5151, Dayton's, or Great American Music Stores. Tickets \$10 and \$5. For further information contact Dr. Ken Hodgson, Concert Choir director.
- April 22-23 Alumni Phonathon
- April 27-May 1 World Touch Cultural Heritage Week at UMM
- April 29 Boys Choir of Harlem, UMM P.E. Center, 7:30 p.m. Tickets through Student Activities, Gen. adm. \$7.50
- May 15 Student Center Dedication
3:00 p.m. to midnight, UMM Student Center, everyone welcome.
- May 16 Cougar County Jam, Stevens County Fairgrounds
3:00 p.m. - evening
Live outdoor music by the Gear Daddies and others, refreshments, contests, entertainment. Tickets \$5 available at the event. Sponsored by CAC-CAVE and the Cougar County Jam committee. This is an alcohol-free event.
- May 18 First Annual Faculty-Staff Recognition Dinner, 7:00 p.m.
Oyate Hall, Student Center
- May 21 Regents Open Forum, UMM and West Central Experiment Station
- Memorial Weekend UMM Jazz Ensemble performance at Carnegie Hall, New York
Monday, May 25 Warm-up for Count Basie Orchestra, 7:00 p.m. Tickets go on sale March 25 and can be purchased by calling Carnegie Hall at (212) 247-7800. Prices range from \$19-\$35. For further information contact Jim Carlson, Jazz Ensemble director.
- May 27 UMM Student Leaders Recognition Banquet
- May 29 Student Honors Program, 3:00 p.m., Edson Auditorium
Student Center
- June 12 UMM Commencement, 4:00 p.m.
Honors Recital, 1:00 p.m.
- June 21-23 Meeting of Public Liberal Arts Colleges group at UMM
- For information about these events, contact Maddy Maxeiner, Director, Alumni Relations, University of Minnesota, Morris.

Summer 1992 Travel Opportunities

Canada/Alaska August 3-August 25 under the leadership of Dr. Peter Whelan, assistant professor of geology. Travel is by University bus with camping at a variety of state, provincial and national parks in both the U.S. and Canada. Limited space still available. Program expenses are \$835 plus \$387 for 6 credits or \$193.50 for no credit. In addition, participants should provide their own sleeping gear, tent and personal spending money. For information contact Tom McRoberts, Continuing Education at UMM, (612) 589-6450.

People's Republic of China June 13-July 5 directed by Drs. Craig Kissock and Judy Kuechle, Division of Education, and Drs. Yang Zhiling and Lin Bing, former visiting faculty. Itinerary includes Beijing, Xian and Shanghai. Costs are estimated at \$3,000 including tuition and excluding personal expenses. Limited space still available. For further information contact Tom McRoberts, Continuing Education at UMM, (612) 589-6450.

Northwest Europe, Great Battlefields of World War II July 27-August 10 led by Dr. John Q. Imholte and George St. Angelo, sponsored by the University of Minnesota, Morris in affiliation with Seminars International. From Britain to Normandy to the Bulge to the Rhine, this travel program takes participants to the sites where the critical steps were taken which produced the Allied victory in World War II. Cities include Paris, London, and Amsterdam. Tour cost is \$2,995 based on twin occupancy. For a brochure and further information, contact Dr. John Q. Imholte, Division of Social Science, UMM, Morris, MN 56267 or (612) 589-6200.

We Found Louie!

In your next issue of *UMM To You*, the truth will be revealed. Who is Louie? Where does the "Louie Legend" begin? Thanks to all the alumni and former UMM faculty and staff for their assistance in tracking him down.

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