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GREETINGS!

As a proud grandmother of four precious grandchildren, I've (Nancy) witnessed dozens of humorous moments in their young lives and continue to be amused at what comes out of their mouths. One such moment occurred a few months ago when my 7-year-old grandson, Levi, was heading to the grocery store with his mother. Upon arriving, he asked her if he could sit in the van while she went inside. She responded, "No, you aren't old enough yet, only when your older brothers are with you." Levi looked at her and said with a straight face, "Well, Mom, I am a wrestler now. I can take on anyone."

We all chuckled when we first heard the story, but then I realized there is a message here. It boils down to one word: ATTITUDE. You have to love the "can do" spirit of this young boy who has very little wrestling experience but enormous confidence.

"An air of confidence and hope for the future now permeates the campus."

As I look at Waldorf College, I see some similarities. President Bob Alsop's leadership style exemplifies the same "can do" attitude as my grandson. An

air of confidence and hope for the future now permeates the campus. Waldorf College can do it! We are in a prime position to move forward and illustrate how a new model of higher education can be successful.

In the pages of this magazine, you'll find countless reasons to be proud of your alma mater. You'll see that the Waldorf spirit lives on. Our homecoming article describes how this year's theme, Waldorf Spirit 2012, focuses on a variety of ways that you can experience the vibrant spirit at Waldorf.

Be sure to check out the listing of Honor Roll donors for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. We appreciate every gift to the Foundation, and we thank you for your continued support. Your gifts do make a difference! The Foundation will provide over \$117,000 in scholarship aid this coming academic year. (Waldorf College provides additional scholarship aid.) Your gifts allowed 19 students and three chaperones to embark on a mission trip to South Dakota. It was a life-changing experience, and their faith was enriched and new friendships were formed. The Waldorf Magazine, service projects, alumni gatherings, homecoming, and much more are all possible because of you and your generosity. Thank you!

It is indeed an exciting time at Waldorf. We are truly blessed and looking forward to another year of living out our mission of equipping students to succeed and to serve others.

As Dr. Alsop has proclaimed, the flame still burns at Waldorf.

Be proud...spread the word!



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The Navy Team celebrates winning an event at the Wacky Warrior Olympics during Waldorf's first fall orientation.

THE EXTRA MILE

Going the "extra mile" has been a hallmark of Waldorf College since its early beginnings. There are stories of Ingeborg Coltvet encouraging a student to pursue a career in accounting and helping him find a job, Muggie Hagen inviting students to her house for ice cream, Anna Marie Mitchell providing handmade quilts to Lutheran Leaders, Tamara Kuhnau serving as a mentor and prayer warrior for so many students ... and the stories go on and on. I'm sure you have your own stories to add. All have become part of Waldorf College's legacy.

The good news is that the legacy continues. Waldorf is still a place where faculty and staff care and go the extra mile for our students every day. Throughout this magazine you will see just a few examples of how that caring personal-touch tradition continues. ■

A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT ROBERT ALSOP



*“Giving students an **outstanding learning experience** and truly engaging with them is what makes Waldorf College such a unique and special place.”*

amount of research, but what makes Waldorf truly distinctive are the ways they use that research to teach our students. For example, biology students fully participate in fieldwork and labwork, learning the newest technologies and methods side by side with faculty to gather data on cutting-edge cancer research and conservation biology questions. But beyond the classroom, library and lab, our faculty take the time and make the effort to create meaningful personal connections with our students, and ensure that they are not just going to college – they are learning.

Now, as president, I have a better grasp and a greater appreciation of the larger picture. I see caring staff in every single department on this campus going many extra miles to make sure our students experience the best of what college can offer. From keeping the buildings in good repair to making sure insurance paperwork is complete, from planning Mall of America shopping trips to publicizing achievements in hometown papers, everything the Waldorf staff does is geared toward a quality student experience.

It’s been just about a year since I started working as Waldorf College’s sixteenth president, and what a year it has been! As I remember the past year, the first image that comes to mind is... a blur. Time has gone by at lightning speed. And while there has been little time to stop and reflect along the way, it has been an exciting, inspiring and enlightening journey.

While I have been at Waldorf College for fourteen years now, the position of president gives me a new perspective on things. It’s kind of like zooming out on a Google map: you see more and more detail coming together to make up the whole community. As a professor and dean, I had outstanding opportunities to work with students and fellow faculty, to see how the academic system operated and try to make it better for everyone involved.

Students, as always, are the very core of Waldorf College – they’re our whole reason for being here. Giving students an outstanding learning experience and truly engaging with them is what makes Waldorf such a unique and special place. Our recent results in the National Survey of Student Engagement show that we’re doing this quite well: Waldorf ranked among the top 10% of colleges in the nation in “supportive campus environment” and “student/faculty interaction.”

Faculty are integral to Waldorf’s success, and indeed are half of that “student/faculty interaction.” Our faculty do an impressive

That commitment doesn’t only apply to residential students. We are constantly searching for ways to further integrate our online students into the Waldorf experience. We’re live-streaming fine arts and sporting events and developing new programs to make our online students really feel like valuable members of the Waldorf family.

We are mission-driven at every level. It is a true honor to be president of Waldorf College.

One of the real privileges of being president is meeting so many of you, hearing your stories of your time at Waldorf College, and how your experience here has shaped the rest of your life. But what I find most amazing is your deep care for the institution now. This care goes beyond the sentimental feeling for a time gone by, to an urgent understanding that the world needs men and women who have experienced a Waldorf education. Please know that we are proud of your service to the world and grateful for your care, support, and prayers for your alma mater.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob Alsop". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

President Robert Alsop, Ph.D.



WALDORF ALUMNUS SPEAKS TO GRADUATING CLASS OF 2012

Waldorf alumnus Trevor Garbers '97 gave tips and prepared students for life after college in his speech for the graduating Class of 2012 at Waldorf College's 108th Commencement ceremony this year.

Garbers, who currently holds the position of Vice President of National Accounts at Allstate Benefits in Parker, Colo., is a highly recognized industry sales leader. His vision and ability to nurture connections have led to eight years of unparalleled sales leadership in working with some of America's largest employer groups.

After graduating from Waldorf College with an associate's degree in 1997, Trevor went on to earn his bachelor's degree in marketing from Dakota State University in 2000, and his MSE from Wayne State College in Nebraska in 2003. A native of Fairmont, Minn., he was a successful two-sport collegiate athlete, winning numerous awards as a member of multiple teams that achieved national recognition. In 2009, he was inducted into the Wayne State College Athletic Hall of Fame. Garbers serves on the Waldorf College Alumni Board of Directors. ■



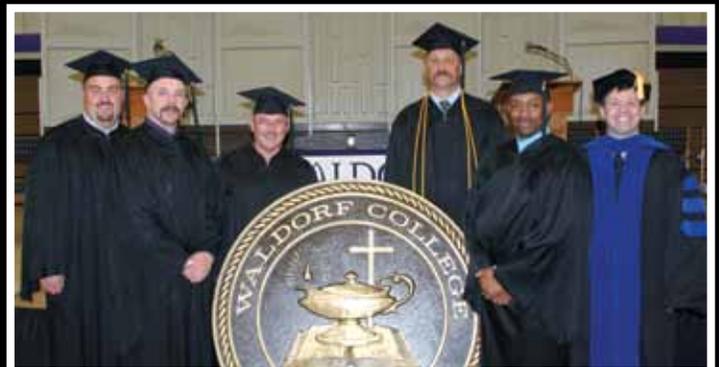
Megan Dobberstein (fourth from left) was given the President's Award.



Marissa Hamilton poses for a photo after graduation.



Quamel Johnson hugs Dr. Cynthia Ryder after graduation.



Several online graduates from around the country were able to attend.

WALDORF INAUGURATES 16TH PRESIDENT



In a formal ceremony on Friday, April 27, Dr. Robert A. Alsop officially became the 16th president of Waldorf College. The inauguration ceremony capped Dr. Alsop's first academic year in the position, which he took over in September 2011 when Dr. Joe Manjone retired.

The ceremony, held in the John K. and Luise V. Hanson Fieldhouse was both deeply traditional and lighthearted. Waldorf's faculty and board of trustees were in full academic regalia, as board chair Rev. Buford Lipscomb and assistant professor of religion Rev. Steve Smith led prayers and ceremonial recitations.

Dr. Alsop's inaugural speech paid homage to Garrison Keillor's Prairie Home Companion, introducing Harold and Edna Anderson as hometown witnesses to change, transition and enduring values at Woebegone College, "where the staff are strong, the faculty are good-looking and all the students are above average."



Left to Right: Former President Tom Jolivet '74 (1999-2004), President Robert Alsop, and Former President Joe Manjone (2010-2011).

*"The world needs **critical thinkers**. People who think like scholars – who don't just read books, but learn from them."*

-President Robert Alsop

"...perhaps the greatest transition the college ever experienced was a change of ownership that took place about a couple of years ago," Dr. Alsop said. "Harold and Edna had no idea such a thing could even happen. And most curious of all was that the new owners were Southerners. Here they were, visiting in January wearing thin jackets that they called coats, talking about 'sweet tea,' and looking for 'grits' at breakfast. What could they possibly know about Lutheran higher education, let alone the important stuff like lutefisk and lefsa? They were much more likely to utter the word 'y'all' than 'uff-da.'"

Within his tale, Dr. Alsop reiterated the College's commitment to the liberal arts: "The world needs critical thinkers. People who think like scholars – who don't just read books, but learn from them. Who don't only memorize names and dates, but use the lessons of history to create a dynamic future. People who invent, who improvise, who innovate from knowledge and reason, making the world a new and vibrant place with their ideas and their energy."

Following the formal ceremony, a reception with cake and punch and recorded video greetings was held in the YMCA adjacent to the Fieldhouse. ■



Waldorf's First Family

From left to right: Elijah, Natalie, Robert, and Ethan Alsop.



FROM IOWA TO ITALY

For Claire Lawson, the recent trip to Europe with Waldorf College was an unforgettable journey.

“To be able to come home at the end of 21 days and say that I’ve seen the Coliseum in Rome, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Eiffel Tower and Big Ben still blows my mind when I think about it,” said Lawson, an Honors student at Waldorf. “The trip was amazing.”

A group of 15 students, four Waldorf faculty members and an alumnus, traveled to Western Europe for three weeks in May. The student group, comprising honors students, business majors, and chaperones toured Rome, Venice, Florence, northern Italy, Paris and London.

Before embarking on this adventure, students spent several Sunday nights studying what they would see. The class included videos, slide shows and lectures on art, architecture and history along with practical tips about currency rates, traveling on the metro, what to pack and more. Each student wrote two short research papers prior to the trip and kept a journal of what they experienced.

While in Europe, they had a chance to experience new cultures, different food, lots of history, and gain a new appreciation of their home country. “The food in Italy was something that I definitely loved,” said student April DeVries. “I think the first four days the only things I ate were pizza, pasta and gelato.”



Waldorf students and faculty admire “The Raft of the Medusa,” a grand painting by Gericault in the Louvre Museum in Paris. Students learned how to “read” painting during academic sessions prior to the trip.

“One of the most fun days I had on the trip was when we had a free day in Paris,” business major Ben Seglin said. “A group of five of us got together and chose random spots on the map, or different attractions that we wanted to see, and we went all over town and saw all of them. We had no idea what we were doing, but we figured it out in the end and it was a very exciting adventure.”

In Rome, the group visited the Coliseum, Roman Forum and the Pantheon as part of the “Caesar Shuffle”; the Vatican Museum and St. Peter’s Basilica; and the Borghese Gallery, featuring sculptures by Bernini. “The one museum I enjoyed the most was definitely the Borghese in Rome,” DeVries said. “It was small and intimate, and had just a few big pieces of sculpture in each room so that I could study them without feeling rushed.”

After basking in the culture of Rome, the next stop was Venice, a unique city of

canals and art. Emily Huls, business major at Waldorf, said Venice was her favorite place in Italy. “I loved getting around by boat everywhere and not having to worry about taking the subway or bus,” said Huls. “My favorite part was touring Doge’s Palace. There is so much history in that building.”

The entire group enjoyed an evening at the Gran Caffè Quadri, a 500-year-old café with a small orchestra playing music under the stars at St. Mark’s Square.

As much as students enjoyed the city of Venice, they also loved Florence, most famous for the Basilica di Santa Maria del Fiore, best known for its dome that is credited with kicking off the Italian Renaissance. “Florence was probably my favorite Italian city,” said Honors student Alexander Horak. “It was really neat to see the David statue and get to go through the Uffizi Gallery. It was a fun place.”

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FROM IOWA TO ITALY (CONTINUED)

The group also visited the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the Tuscan City of Siena.

After a week of museums, churches and other attractions, students were given a day off on Lake Como in northern Italy. There they had the chance to enjoy the sun, the mountains of nearby Switzerland and a popular karaoke bar.

While the honors students stayed an extra day on Lake Como, the business students traveled to Milan for a day of business-related activities. The two groups came together again to view Leonardo da Vinci's Last Supper and tour the inside and roof of the magnificent Milan Cathedral.

After two weeks in Italy, the group left for Paris, arriving in Montmartre, the hill in northern Paris where artists like Monet, Picasso, Vincent van Gogh and Dali plied their trade.

That evening the group took the metro to the Trocadero for a view of the Eiffel Tower. After walking across the Seine for a closer look, many of the students took the stairs and elevator to the top observation level, some 902 feet in the air.

"Paris was amazing," Langford said. "There is not really any other way to put it. It was beautiful and I enjoyed the atmosphere and being able to go to the Eiffel Tower every night." The following day, the group visited two great museums, the Louvre and the Pompidou. Students also visited Notre Dame, the Orsay Museum and the Arc de Triomphe.

The final day in Paris, the group left early for a short trip to Versailles, the royal chateau of Louis XIV (the Sun King), Louis XV and Louis XVI.

After four days in Paris, the group took off for London. The first day of tour in London included Westminster Abbey. Students also enjoyed the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. And that evening the group huddled together at St. George's for pre-musical British pub food before attending the musical "Wicked."



Seated from left, Albert Chavarria, Jennifer Henke, Angel Gomez, Professor Suzi Falck-Yi, Crystal Langford, Ben Seglin and Alex Horack.

Standing from left, Nicole Grisham, Stuart Yi, John Robinson, Jon Aguilar, Paige Henke, Claire Lawson, Professor David Damm, Mike Polsdofer, Emily Huls and Haley Mosely.

"Going to see Wicked was one of the highlights of the trip for me," Horak said. "I also enjoyed being able to see Big Ben, ride the London Eye, and eat fish and chips at a London pub."

Other popular sites in London were Britain's premiere painting museum, the National Gallery, and the British Museum. For the final day in London, some booked a tour of Shakespeare's Globe Theatre while others toured the Tower of London (home of Crown Jewels). Still others attended Sunday services at St. Paul's Cathedral or enjoyed exploring the city.

"I have so many great memories and pictures to remember this trip by," Huls said. "I am very thankful that I decided to go because I will probably never get back there. I had a great time with all the people we traveled with and got to know some of them pretty well." ■



Enjoying an evening in St. Mark's Square in Venice are, from left, Nicole Grisham, Professor Suzi Falck-Yi, Haley Mosley and April DeVries. In the background is the 11th Century Byzantine-style St. Mark's Basilica.

WALDORF STUDENT LANDS INTERNSHIP WITH MASON CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT



Kyle Hoover is a go-getter. After working with the Forest City Ambulance Service for over a year, the 21-year-old fire science administration major at Waldorf College is interning at the Mason City Fire Department in Iowa this summer, marking the start of a brand new internship program for the station.

"I always wanted to be a firefighter," said Hoover, whose father has worked as a firefighter for over 20 years. "I'm excited about this opportunity."

During the last academic year, when Hoover was juggling three jobs along with college, he took the initiative to approach the fire department to build their first ever internship program. Hoover, who was employed as an on-call driver with the ambulance service, impressed the chief and his team with his dedication and past accomplishments.

"Mason City Fire Department has never done an internship program before. Hats off to Kyle for doing all the legwork," said Doug Janssen, deputy chief at the Mason City Fire Department. Hoover began the internship in the beginning of the summer and quickly impressed his supervisors. "He catches on pretty quick and is willing to learn," said Janssen.

During the internship, Hoover shadowed the Fire Chief, rode along with the firefighters every other day, and got involved in day-to-day operations such as cleaning the rigs and mopping the floors.

"My goal is to do three or four such internships in the surrounding area," said Hoover. "This will solidify our fire science program and will be a great recruiting tool."

Despite several work commitments, Hoover has maintained an excellent academic record at Waldorf, continually impressing his professors with his perseverance. "Kyle is a great student. He is very hardworking and dedicated," said Twylah Kragel, Hoover's academic advisor. "This internship with the fire department in Mason City will prove to be beneficial for his career and also make a strong impact on Waldorf's fire science administration program."

Originally from Layton, Utah, Hoover took night classes to become an EMT when he was attending high school and would go for ride-alongs with the fire department during his clinical hours. After coming to Waldorf College, he joined the local ambulance service and worked two 6-hour shifts, mostly from midnight to 6a.m. every other day.

"I would mostly get called in at three in the morning, and most of the cases were illnesses," said Hoover, who would also frequently cover student-athlete injuries after sports events. "I think it's the 'you-never-know-what's-going-to-happen' that makes my work interesting. It's not the same old every day."

Hoover was recently elected vice president of the Waldorf College Student Senate and also plays on the college's soccer team. ■

CAREER CENTER SERVES AS RESOURCE FOR ALUMNI

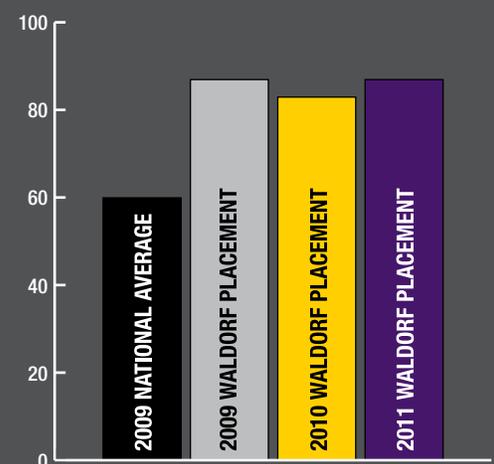
Career Center services are not only available to current students, but alumni of Waldorf College as well. The knowledgeable, friendly and caring staff members are happy to assist with updates to your résumés and cover letters, job searches and graduate school information.

The Career Center is open Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - noon, and 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. for appointments or walk-ins. Contact them at careers@waldorf.edu or (641) 585-8681.

Get regular updates on job opportunities by "liking" the Waldorf College Career Center on Facebook.

Please notify the Career Center if you have internships at your place of business that may appeal to a current Waldorf student. For more on information on Career Center services, visit them on the web: <http://www.waldorf.edu/CareerCenter> ■

WALDORF COLLEGE PLACEMENT RATES



The percentage of graduates with jobs in their chosen field within seven months of graduation.



WALDORF TO WELCOME INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AGAIN!

2012 is off to a great start for Waldorf College. The Student Exchange and Visitor Program (SEVP) has approved our petition to once again enroll international students at Waldorf!

Waldorf has always had a high percentage of international students on campus. Hosting students from all over the world creates a great sense of diversity and vibrancy for Waldorf, and inculcates a sense of cultural awareness on campus in a way no book or lecture can. Hosting international students will further strengthen the college's mission of being an engaging community of learning and faith.

In just the last five years, the college has welcomed 155 international students representing 30 countries; 2007-2008 academic year had the largest group of international students, with 41 students from 16 countries.

In addition to making our campus more interesting, international students also introduce Forest City to a wide range of cultures. Waldorf College looks forward to welcoming these students on our campus again! ■



Anna Moglestad is not only the Administrative Coordinator for Student Life and the "parking lady," she can also be seen serving students from time to time in the middle of the night roving campus as our back up security officer insuring that students and the campus are safe and secure. Anna on occasion will work 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. helping with Security and then be in the next day at the office for her regular shift helping students in the Office of Student Life.

-Anonymous

STUDENTS ARRIVE ON CAMPUS



Vickie Zobel in the education department helped my daughter Amy so much, especially when she was student teaching and applying for jobs. She also made herself available to simply chat. Amy said she was like a second mom to her at Waldorf.

-Deb Nelson (grateful mom)



80 students participated in Waldorf College's early orientation as they arrived on campus to prepare with their fall sports teams and fine arts groups. Here one freshman unpacks his room in Johnson and London Hall.

RESIDENTIAL DEGREES

- **Associate in Arts**
- **Biology**
 - *Cell Molecular*
 - *Conservation Biology*
 - *Anatomy/Physiology*
 - *Pre-Professional*
- **Business**
 - Finance/Banking
 - Management
 - Marketing
 - Management Information Systems
- **Communications**
 - *Electronic Media*
 - *Graphic Design*
 - *Print Media*
 - *Public Relations*
 - *Web Programming*
- **Creative Writing**
- **Criminal Justice Administration**
- **Education**
 - Elementary Education
 - Endorsements in reading, special education, music, or math
 - Concentrations in science, Spanish or theatre
 - Secondary Education
 - Endorsements in reading, special education, history, English, math, speech/theatre, biology/chemistry, health
 - Music Education
 - K-12 endorsement
 - Physical Education
 - K-12 endorsement
- **English**
- **Fire Science Administration***
- **Foundations of Education**
- **Humanities**
 - *Emphases in literature, music, history, theology, philosophy or individually designed*
- **History**
 - *History*
 - *Political Science*
- **Interdisciplinary**
- **International Management***
- **Music**
 - Arts Management
 - Vocal/Instrumental/Piano/Organ
 - Church Music
- **Organizational Leadership***
- **Psychology**
- **Sport Management**
- **Theatre Arts**
 - *Acting/Directing*
 - *Design/Technology*
 - *Playwriting*
 - *Generalist/Scholarship*
 - *Musical Theatre*
- **Wellness**
 - *Children's Wellness*
 - *Exploratory*
 - *Fitness Management*
 - *Pre-Professional*
 - *Strength and Conditioning*

*Blended programs requiring three to five online courses
Italicized=Elective Concentrations

Visit Campus!

Do you know someone who would be a great Waldorf student? Invite the future Warriors you know to one of our exciting admissions events!

2012

October 19	Open House
November 3	Scholarship Day
December 7	Open House

2013

January 19	Scholarship Day
February 8	Open House
March 23	Open House
April 13	Scholarship Day
May 10	Open House
August 3	Open House



ONLINE DEGREES

- **Business Administration**
- **Criminal Justice Administration**
- **Fire Science Administration**
- **Organizational Leadership**
- **Psychology**

ALSO AVAILABLE

- **Coaching Endorsement**
- **Pre-Professional Guidelines**
- **Shakespeare Minor**

Waldorf College is one of only three colleges in the U.S. to offer a Shakespeare minor.

The best way for prospective students to experience Waldorf is to attend an open house! Visitors can tour our campus, meet current students, chat with professors, and learn about a variety of degree programs! Individual visit days can also be set up to experience campus at their convenience!

*Contact our admissions department for more information!

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admissions@waldorf.edu

SAVE THE DATE: CHRISTMAS WITH WALDORF

Please join us for a heartfelt celebration of the holiday season. A Rose in Winter has been selected as the theme for this year's Christmas with Waldorf.

"The theme was chosen because of the prophesy of Isaiah that a 'root will shoot forth from the stem of Jesse.' The idea of 'A Rose in Winter' evokes a picture of a fragile and precious thing, Jesus, providing beauty to a barren world," said Director of Choral Activities Adam Luebke.

"We want to invite our alumni back to campus to celebrate our annual Christmas with Waldorf College concert," said Luebke. "The concert will be an intimate affair by candlelight in the sacred space of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Tickets are sure to go fast!"

For ticket and meal information, call (641) 585-8724.

Saturday, December 1, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 2, 3 p.m. ■

NEW WALDORF MENTORING PROGRAM

More than 40 staff and faculty have signed up to become Campus Connection Specialists (CCS), providing one-on-one mentoring and assistance to our incoming first year students.

Conceived by the Retention Task Force, the CCS program will give new students an additional contact on campus and supplement the academic advisor's role.

Waldorf College is renowned for its personal attention to students, and this program only strengthens that foundation. It also speaks to a recommendation by our HLC visiting team, who suggested that Waldorf would benefit from more intentional mentoring. ■

LEARNING PARTNERS: A NEW WAY TO CONNECT WITH WALDORF COLLEGE

How would you like to help promote Waldorf College, while offering a special value to your employees? The Waldorf College Learning Partner program allows businesses to do both. And it's free!

Learning Partners can offer their employees or members an application fee waiver, plus a 10% online tuition discount or a \$500 residential scholarship. There are additional special scholarship opportunities available only to Learning Partners. These benefits extend to spouses and children as well.

Your company may already be a Waldorf Learning Partner! Winnebago Industries in Forest City is a Learning Partner, as is the RanchoCucamonga Fire Protection District in California. We have hundreds of Learning Partners throughout the country, and would love to add your company to our list!

Just search www.waldorf.edu for "learning partners" or go to www.waldorf.edu/Partners for more information. You'll find links to our list of current Learning Partners as well as questions and answers about the program, its benefits and how to get it started at your business or organization. ■

NEW HIRES

Joel DeBoer – Adjunct Business and Religion

Sara Finley – Assistant Professor Psychology

Amanda Geelan – AACE Coordinator

Tyreece Gilder – Assistant Men's Wrestling Coach, Security

Craig Goltz – Travel Ed. Rep. (Davis)

Leslie Grothe – Assistant Registrar

Todd Hendricks – Seasonal Football

Cameron Hodges – GA, Men's Basketball

Liz Kiscaden – Library Director

Katie Kitzman – GA, Women's Basketball

Brad Linares – Seasonal Football

Sara Luebke – Adjunct Music Voice

Julia Maier – Assistant Professor Psychology

Todd Miller – Seasonal Football

Reid Ouse – GA, Men's Basketball

David Sollish – Assistant Professor Theatre

Henry Stone – Assistant Football Coach, Recruiting Coordinator

Dean Swenson – Art Gallery Director, Art Instructor

Josh Thompson – Assistant Professor Music, Instrumental

Kristin Wempen – Assistant Director, Academic Achievement Programs

THE EXTRA MILE



Brett Geelan, director of intramurals, takes students with him to deliver donated shoes from the Soles4Souls program at Waldorf College. Boxes are distributed around the college and community to receive donated shoes and Brett and students collect and deliver them to Sheldon, Iowa each semester. Sheldon is the home office for the program and is roughly three hours away.

-Anonymous

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS



President Robert Alsop was surprised recently when it was announced that the college has a new fountain in Lund Pond, seen here at night. The fountain was dedicated to President Alsop by the Waldorf President's Council, Student Senate and Waldorf College.



Light poles are installed on Bolstorff Field as part of the shared services agreement between the Forest City School District, Waldorf College, the City of Forest City, and the John K. and Luise V. Hanson Foundation.



The Thorson steps are getting a facelift! Actually, a complete structural re-do. Years of salt and de-icer had taken their toll on the brick, so it has all been replaced.



Waldorf Facilities workers replace the sidewalks around Johnson and London Halls.

BASEBALL

The baseball team made great strides this season under the direction of first year Head Coach Ryan Flickinger '02. They finished the season 25-20 overall and 13-11 in the MCC. Early in the season the Warriors earned a tough 11-7 victory over NCAA Division II, Young Harris College.

In mid-season they racked up a 10 game win-streak, including a sweep of Northwestern College (Iowa). With the run, Waldorf went on to receive votes in the NAIA top-25 poll. This marked the first time the baseball team received votes since becoming a four-year institution. They took two of three games from top-seeded St. Ambrose University at the end of their conference schedule. Despite a valiant effort, they fell one game short of qualifying for the MCC Tournament.

Spenser Poppinga (SR-Hartland, Wis.) paced the Warriors' offense this season with a .349 batting average. Poppinga scattered 51 hits, including five home runs and 41 RBIs. Jake Bews (JR-Loomis, Calif.) boosted the Warriors with a .313 average with five homers and 34 RBIs.

Shaun McGuire (SR-Bancroft, Iowa) was a work-horse from the mound. He recorded 15 appearances on his way to a 7-5 record with a 4.77 ERA. Colin Morgan (SR-Oelwein, Iowa) had a solid 3.28 ERA and a 5-3 record. ■



SOFTBALL

After losing the nucleus of their powerhouse from a year ago, the softball team collected a 30-23 overall record and was 12-12 in conference play under the direction of Head Coach Denny Gilbertson '81. Macey Hickes (SR-Winnipeg, Manitoba) showed her senior leadership batting .359 with 56 hits, seven homers and 38 RBIs. Kayla Blocker (JR-LeGrand, Iowa) was also a key contributor, with a .335 average and 58 hits and 30 RBIs.

Holly Gilbertson (JR-Forest City, Iowa) appeared in 25 games for the Warriors. She earned a 12-9 record from the mound with a 2.50 ERA. Marisa Donnelly (FR-Naperville, Ill.) also appeared in 25 games with a 10-9 record. Donnelly had a 3.06 ERA and led the Warriors with 75 strikeouts. ■



NEW CONFERENCE

Waldorf College officially joined the Midlands Collegiate Athletic Conference on July 1, 2012.

"We are pleased that Waldorf College has been accepted to our conference," said MCAC Commissioner Al Waller. "They are very similar to all the schools in the MCAC-both philosophically and athletically."

"We are very appreciative to the MCAC for their consideration and support and we look forward to a great relationship with this fine conference," said Waldorf Athletic Director Michael Scarano. "Our teams could have a very positive immediate impact and we will compete within the MCAC philosophy." ■

MEN'S WRESTLING

The Waldorf College men's wrestling team drove down the road to compete in the 2012 National Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa at the Jacobson Exhibition Center.

This year was yet another year of great accomplishments and improvements for the young squad under Head Coach Tyler Brandt '89. The Warriors qualified nine wrestlers for this year's tournament, achieving a team goal of qualifying more participants than last year. Another accomplishment was scoring more team points than last year's team and the goal of having more All-American wrestlers was also reached as three seniors accomplished that goal.

Seniors Jacob Combs (SR-Whittemore, Iowa), 285lbs, Rashad Moss (SR-LaGrange, Ga.) 165lbs and returning All-American Jeremy Padilla (SR-Henderson, Nev.) 157lbs all stepped onto the podium. Jacob Combs earned All-American status by earning his way into the placing rounds with a win over Carl Lawrence from Missouri Valley. Rashad Moss took down Derek Mestrovich of Southern Oregon University in overtime to secure his All-American status. Jeremy Padilla won his way into the semi-finals securing his All-American status for the second consecutive year with his second win in as many attempts over Jim Schuessler of Grand View University.

"These seniors have provided great leadership in their time here at Waldorf. Our young guys have benefitted greatly from having these guys in the room," stated Coach Brandt. "What's really exciting is on top of achieving and improving on so many team goals this year, we are coming off the 18th best recruiting class in the Nation and we have some great young wrestlers in the program. We had three freshmen and one sophomore competing at Nationals this year, along with one junior, so we have some great depth coming back." ■



WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Under the direction of Head Coach Dustin Baynes, this year's successful season featured twelve student-athletes, half from Iowa. The others came to Forest City stretching from South Carolina to California. In their seven-month season, the team has racked up over 16,000 miles traveling to compete against some of the nation's elite competition where the Warriors have proven they can compete with the best. Waldorf made the trek to Tennessee to compete in the Women's Collegiate Wrestling Association Nationals. The team placed ninth overall and three wrestlers placed, earning All-American honors.

The story of the season was the tremendous success of Jessica Fresh. The Knoxville, Iowa native spent eight years during her youth competing in wrestling tournaments, but gave up the sport only to return to it at Waldorf. After spending time at the University of Northern Iowa, Fresh transferred to Waldorf to become a member of the team.

In January she placed sixth at WCWA Nationals and placed fifth at University Nationals in March at 109 pounds. On March 31st and April 1st Fresh and the Warriors were in Cedar Falls to compete at the Olympic Trials Qualifier. Against stiff competition, Fresh placed outright second at 48 kilograms. She became the first female from Iowa to qualify for the Olympic Trials.

Fresh continued to wrestle in top form while at the Olympic Trials Iowa City as she competed against the best womens wrestlers in the country. She lost a tough opening-round match to Nicole Woody of the Gator Wrestling Club. Fresh then bounced back to get a first period fall over Joey Miller of Oklahoma City University/Gator Wrestling Club. In her final match she wrestled the current WCWA Champion at 109 pounds, Emily Martin from King College. She lost the opening period 4-4, almost pinning Martin in the final seconds. She then dropped a tight second period 3-1 to conclude her Olympic Trials experience.

"She prepared to wrestle hard and leave it all on the mat and not take a backseat to anyone," said Baynes, "that is exactly what she did and I am extremely proud of her. She proves that you can come to Waldorf College and excel on the biggest of stages." ■





2012-2013 THEATRE SEASON

FROM THE DESK OF DR. ROBERT E. AUFRANCE

As I write this, it is very quiet here in Smith Theatre. However, it is only a matter of weeks before our students return to herald a new theatre season here at Waldorf College. I am very excited about the 2012-2013 theatre production selections that we will be performing this year. It is my hope that our patrons will appreciate our combination of original comedy playwriting, classical theatre, American musical theatre standards and a murder mystery to end the season.

This academic year will also include the debut of our newly implemented musical theatre major, the fifth anniversary of the Shakespeare minor and the welcoming of three new faculty members to the Fine Arts Programs: Dr. David Sollish, Theatre Technical Director; Dr. Joshua Thompson, Conductor of the Waldorf Wind Symphony; and Dean Swenson, Director of the Waldorf Art Department. Additionally, Alpha Psi Omega (the honorary theatre fraternity) will be holding its annual Haunted House/Canned Food Drive in October. There will be various student-directed productions open to the community at no charge, and as a prelude to the Mainstage Theatre Season, the 24 Hour Theatre Production will be held on September 8.

It is my hope that you will join us for this very dynamic and entertaining year of theatre.

My best,

Robert E. AuFrance, Ph.D.
Director of Theatre/Director of Fine Arts
Administration

"Lawn Mower Wars" by Dr. Robert E. AuFrance
September 26-29, 2012

Retiring to the small town life of Iowa should be peaceful and quiet. But in this comedy, life is anything but boring when you're living in a village that has feuding handyman brothers, a neighbor who mows his lawn in the middle of the night, an escaped convict and the singing "Sons of the Lutefisk," who might just turn up at your house to start the morning making lefse and telling Ole-and-Lena jokes.

"Tartuffe" by Molière
November 14-17, 2012

Often referred to as the "French Shakespeare," Molière crafts a comical world where virtue, laughter and hypocrisy illuminates the foolishness of man.

"How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying," by Loesser and Burrows
February 13-16, 2013

The winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama, and a much celebrated and revived musical, "How to Succeed . . ." offers a very humorous and telling view of corporate life in America.

"The Mousetrap" by Agatha Christie
April 10-13, 2013

This murder mystery is the longest running play of all time (since 1952 at the St. Martin's Theatre in London's West End).



SEASON TICKETS

Season Tickets are available by calling 641-585-8288

\$28 for adults (a savings of \$12 off regular ticket prices)

\$20 for seniors (a savings of \$12 off regular ticket prices)

\$20 for students (a savings of \$12 off regular ticket prices)

WALDORF CHOIR TO TOUR CENTRAL EUROPE IN 2013

For their quadrennial international tour, the Waldorf College Choir will visit the historic cities of Prague, Vienna, Bratislava, and Budapest over a two-week period. While in Prague, the choir will present a large orchestral choral concert with college singers from across the United States as part of the Prague Choral Festival. The choir will also be a featured ensemble in their own solo performance as part of the festival. In Vienna, students will experience singing in the breathtaking acoustics of the 15th century gothic St. Stephen's Cathedral. During our visit to Bratislava, students will visit the Lutheran High School, sing a joint concert with the choir from the Slovak National Conservatory, and travel into the mountains and countryside. While in Slovakia, students will experience a true cultural immersion by staying with host families. In Budapest, the choir will sing in a centuries old medieval church and tour the bustling blue Danube.

"I am so excited for this opportunity!"

-Britt Banks, Soprano

to meet people from a variety of cultures and share the depth of the American experience and American choral music with many. Students will have a chance to share the expression of music with people from different backgrounds, and gain respect and understanding of foreign cultures as they make new friends from around the world. The students are thrilled to have this opportunity and are eagerly awaiting their adventure. Britt Banks of Sioux City, Iowa tells me, "I am so excited for this opportunity!"

This international tour will give us the opportunity

"I have fond memories of the choir trip to Norway, Sweden and Denmark in 1978. I will never forget the spectacular scenery and the beautiful people we met on tour. We had a lot of time to bond with each other and as a result, we grew closer as a choir. It was a wonderful experience!"

-Becky Sansgaard Jolivette '79

You can help the students reach their fundraising goals for this trip. In addition to the support from Waldorf College, each student will be responsible to contribute \$2500-\$3000 to the total cost out of their own pocket. As an alum, you can appreciate the great learning that you received at Waldorf and the unique chance this type of trip provides our students, past and present.

Alumni are invited to sponsor a student to provide assistance for the trip. All contributors will hear directly from the individual student you are sponsoring and, depending on the level at which you give, you will receive notes throughout the year, a postcard from Europe, or a CD from the choir, and much more! Taxable donations will be deposited directly in the choir trip account and will only be used to offset the student's direct costs. Your donation will be recognized in all choir programs throughout the year. To donate, or for additional information, contact the music office by calling (641) 585-8177 or sending an email to music@waldorf.edu.

Thank you for your support!



Dr. Adam Luebke

TOUR SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Silver - \$50: a personal note from a student and a postcard from Europe.

Gold - \$100: a personal note from a student, postcard from Europe, a personal note from Dr. Adam Luebke and a picture of the choir in Europe.

Purple - \$150: a personal note from a student, postcard from Europe, a personal note from Dr. Adam Luebke, a picture of the choir in Europe, a new CD of the choir and a signed program from the 2013 European tour.

Follow the choir throughout the year and on tour on Facebook! "Like" us at www.facebook.com/TheWaldorfChoir ■



15 YEARS AND COUNTING

From transitioning into a 4-year institution to surviving the financial crisis, Cindy Carter has closely seen Waldorf College grow under six administrations in the last 15 years.

“I think I have been a valuable part of Waldorf,” said Carter. “When leadership changed I felt I was the glue that held some things together.”

Carter has been a long-time resident of the Forest City community. Before starting her journey at Waldorf College in 1997, she worked 20 years as a reporter for the Forest City Summit, the local newspaper that was owned by her family. Unsettling situations at the newspaper prompted Carter to look for a change, and as she strolled into the back shop of the newspaper one day, she discovered an ad for an administrative assistant at Waldorf. “When I started at the Summit, I came home to work with family,” said Carter. “I had not interviewed for a job in 20 years.” But she was accepted for the position and assisted former president Bill Hamm, whom she had earlier worked with on economic development issues for the city.

As she assumed the new role, Carter had big shoes to fill. She was replacing Alice Bartleson Lewison '52, who had been in the role for 20 years. “Alice knew all about the people, community and the alumni,” said Carter. But Carter learned quickly and became part of the close-knit Waldorf family.

A lot has changed since she joined the college. A regular challenge for Carter was to keep up with ever-changing technology. “During President Hamm’s presidency, I would use the phone to make appointments,” said Carter. “But today for Dr. Bob Alsop, I email everyone.”

Carter acclimated herself to every president’s working style without any hesitation. “If a particular president did not like the way things were done, I would say, this is the time to change it,” she said. Her challenges varied with every leader. While some were settled in the area and knew everyone, she had to help others find their way around the community.

Over the years, Carter often received public recognition for her work from different presidents. While some appreciated her hard work by giving her flowers for birthdays and administrative assistant days, others acknowledged her invaluable contribution to Waldorf at college events. “I’m gratified that they appreciate my work,” she said.

Despite all the ups and downs at the college, fifteen years, six presidents and five inaugurations later, Carter decided to stay. “Waldorf matters,” she said. “I’m very much a Forest City person, and Waldorf is essential to the community.” ■

“It is difficult to put into words just how valuable Cindy Carter is to Waldorf College. She is an effective representative and advocate for the College in several roles. For many in the community, Cindy Carter is the face of Waldorf College.”

-President Robert Alsop

“President’s assistants are really key to a well-functioning college. Cindy proved to have the abilities and personal characteristics that made her effective in that important role. Cindy is one of the exceptional people that Waldorf has always been blessed to have.”

-Former President Bill Hamm

FACULTY/ STAFF NEWS

AACE Director

Mason Babcock and education major Jane Barratt presented a session titled *Academic Accommodations* at College to over 100 high school students at a day-long event, Transition Fair, held at the Area Education Agency on March 20.



Dr. Paul Bartelt, biology professor, coauthored a paper titled *Spatial Analysis of Northern Goshawks in the Black Hills, South Dakota* that was recently accepted for publication in *Condor*, an international journal about the biology of wild bird species. The paper will appear in print either later this year or early next. He also coauthored a paper titled *A Fully Adjustable Transmitter Belt For Ranids and Bufonids* with three Waldorf College students, which will appear in the *Herpetological Review*. Dr. Bartelt also gave a presentation titled *Frogs and*

Agriculture: It can be Tough to be Green! at The Iowa Academy of Science Speaker Series in Saylorville Lake Visitor Center on July 7.

Mary Dickman '10, admissions office manager and international admissions counselor has completed her Master of Science degree in Organizational Leadership from Columbia Southern University.



Library Assistant **Cindy Fitzgerald** was awarded a scholarship to attend the Library Technology Conference 2012 at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn. from March 14-15.

In March, Director of Online Compliance **Laura Satre Friesenborg '95** served as a reviewer for the 2012 Student Research Award competition sponsored by the Association for Psychological Science. The purpose of the APS student competition is to promote and acknowledge outstanding research conducted by student members.

Brett Geelan, intramural and recreation coordinator, continues to collect shoes for the Soles4Souls program. Over 200 pairs have already been donated to the program.

Mark Gilbertson '79 is now the Assistant Director of Financial Aid for Waldorf College Online.

Dr. Larry D. Hill '74, education professor, organized and facilitated a panel discussion entitled *Pastors Don't Grow on Trees: The Call to Ministry and the Candidacy Process*, for the Western Iowa Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. The presentation was part of a day-long leadership conference hosted at Buena Vista University on February 11.



Kristi Leonard, wellness professor, has been accepted as a member of the National Wellness Institute Council for Wellness Accreditation and Education (CWAE). She will serve the CWAE's subcommittee #1: Accreditation of undergraduate health promotion and wellness degree programs

to ensure they provide quality educational experiences and prepare graduates for professional roles.

On March 26, Director of Choral Activities **Dr. Adam Luebke** was a visiting lecturer and conductor at the University of Central Missouri where he presented a session on *Performance Practices in Renaissance Music*, and led a clinic with the Concert Choir. Dr. Luebke also adjudicated the Solo/Ensemble Festivals for the Iowa High School Music Association on March 24 and April 14. On May 4 and 5, he adjudicated the Large Group Festivals for the Iowa High School Music Association.

DeAnn Derscheid Krutsinger '91, Assistant Director of Residential Financial Aid has received her National Certification as an Emergency Medical Technician. Krutsinger volunteers some nights and weekends with the Forest City Ambulance Service. She has been a driver for them for over a year.



Tiffany Blome Olson '98, communications professor, was a guest speaker at the Forest City Middle School mini-Relay for Life kick-off on May 14, where she spoke to students about her personal experiences with skin cancer.

Cathy Stensland '93 was promoted to Financial Aid Counselor. Previously she was an administrative assistant for Waldorf's financial aid department.

Todd Weidman '11, an adjunct faculty for online and a recent graduate of the fire science program, joined the fire department of La Marque, Texas, as the Fire Chief on the February 27. Weidman also completed a master's in public administration from Anna Maria College. ■

THE EXTRA MILE



Tiffany Blome Olson '98, Assistant Professor of Communications is an outstanding professor and someone who immediately comes to mind when I think about who goes the extra mile. She is always ready to help a student, going above and beyond expectations to ensure that they get the help they need. She is always willing to critique, listen and give advice on projects and even about life. Her work as my adviser has been outstanding; she always knows exactly what classes I need to take to fulfill my degree requirements and is always willing to talk post-graduation options and ideas.

-Katherine (Katie) Frush '13

EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE MILESTONES

On April 24, Waldorf staff and faculty came together to celebrate “Growing with Waldorf Over the Years.” This year’s employee recognition event honored those who have reached significant service milestones as well as the winners of the Holmen awards and the Outstanding Faculty award. The esteemed Holmen Awards are funded by Dr. Kenneth and Linda Holmen in honor of Ken’s parents, Dr. and Mrs. Holger (Hap) Holmen. The late Hap Holmen served as a faculty member in Waldorf’s industrial technology department from 1949 to 1970 and was named Emeritus Professor of Industrial Education.

Director of Institutional Relations Nancy Olson ’75 was recognized for 25 years of service, and was also the winner of the Holmen Community Service Award. Presenter Rita Gilbertson ’79 noted Olson’s many community leadership and service activities, and said “Nancy Olson is a person of strong character and integrity. She embodies the Waldorf mission and epitomizes the kind of Waldorf employee we should all strive to become.”



Left: Twylah Kragel accepts the Holmen Professional Excellence Award from President Robert Alsop. Top: Nancy Olson accepts the Holmen Community Service Award from Rita Gilbertson. Bottom: Joe Wilkins accepts the Board of Trustees Outstanding Faculty Award from Dean Scott Searcy.

Registrar Twylah Kragel had a busy day: her retirement was officially announced, she was celebrated for 30 years at Waldorf, and she was presented with the Holmen Professional Excellence Award. Professor David Damm listed just a sampling of Kragel’s many duties, highlighting 10,000 athletic eligibility evaluations as just one of her accomplishments. Remarketing on Kragel’s enormous impact on Waldorf students, he quoted President Alsop: “It is

always humbling standing next to Twylah as the students exit after commencement. Virtually every student gives Twylah a hug and a sincere, heartfelt thank you.”

The Board of Trustees Outstanding Faculty Award went to creative writing professor Joe Wilkins. In addition to being instrumental in the development and continuation of Waldorf’s Visiting Writer Series and Crusader literary journal, Wilkins has had two books of poetry published in the last year. Dr. Scott Searcy presented the award, praising Wilkins’ “excellence in teaching, and accessibility to students” in addition to his continuing commitment to Waldorf College.

In addition to these awards, Denny Jerome ’70 was honored for 40 years, and John Carlson, Michael Farndale, Dawn Johnson ’80 and Phuoc “Lucky” Truong received citations for 30 years. Debbe Nelson ’94 was thanked for her 20 years of service. Cindy Carter, Rita Gilbertson ’79, Kerry Krogh and Mary Reisetter were recognized for 15 years. Ten-year recognition went to Bob AuFrance, David Behling, Laura Frieseborg ’95, Roberta Kraft Abrahamson and Andrea Searcy. Jeff Biessman, Kim Meyer, Missy Reynolds, Tony Reynolds, Joe Wilkins, Ryan Flickinger ’02, Amy Hill, Dawn Ramaker, Richard Hill and Sherman Meyering received five-year citations.

Kristi Carlson’s retirement was announced, as was Ken Hansen’s re-retirement, and all employees were thanked for their part in Waldorf’s success. ■

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A LETTER FROM THE FOUNDATION CHAIR

Friends:

In my last letter to you I mentioned that I would be retiring on June 1 after serving as Winnebago Industries' Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for 38 years. Well, I did it and I'm pleased to say that I am really doing very well in spite of a fair amount of nervousness in the months leading up to my retirement. It helped that I had a wonderful send-off with over 350 people attending retirement festivities the weekend of my retirement. I was amazed and humbled by all the attention! So now I am transitioning to retirement just as Waldorf continues to go through a transitional period. I am not cut out for inactivity so I anticipate this change will allow me to devote more time to volunteer activities including my role as Chair of the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation. I am looking forward to exploring what new opportunities for involvement await me.

It should now be abundantly clear to everyone that the new owners of Waldorf College share the core values that have driven Waldorf throughout its history. The "old" Waldorf and the "new" Waldorf are in most respects indistinguishable. The Mission Statement for Waldorf reads: "Waldorf College seeks to be an engaging community of learning and faith where relationships are formed and opportunities for learning and service abound. Our mission is to educate the whole person emphasizing integrity and equipping students to succeed and to serve the communities where they live and work." These are not idle words and they are applicable to the Waldorf of today and the Waldorf of 25, 50 or 100 years ago. Waldorf continues to educate its students "one student at a time" and to prepare them for a lifetime of service in the Christian tradition. We must all become ambassadors for Waldorf College and spread the word of the life-changing experience young people will have here.

The inauguration ceremony for President Alsop was a wonderful, fun and upbeat event. He clearly has the respect and admiration of the Waldorf faculty, staff, students, alumni, and the overall Forest City community and he is off to a great start. He exudes confidence and it is contagious! He fully supports the Foundation's work and takes advantage of every opportunity to meet and greet alumni and friends of the college.

When we embarked on the new role for the Foundation we were hopeful that alumni and friends would stay engaged and continue with their financial support. We are grateful that our hopes have been fulfilled and many of you have remained committed and faithful donors. We ended the year with over \$580,000 in total gifts. THANK YOU.

I'm pleased to report that 12 new scholarships were established this past year. Eleven of these were annually-funded scholarships and one was endowed. Scholarship aid remains a vitally important need for Waldorf students, so we will continue to focus our energy on securing more scholarship support.



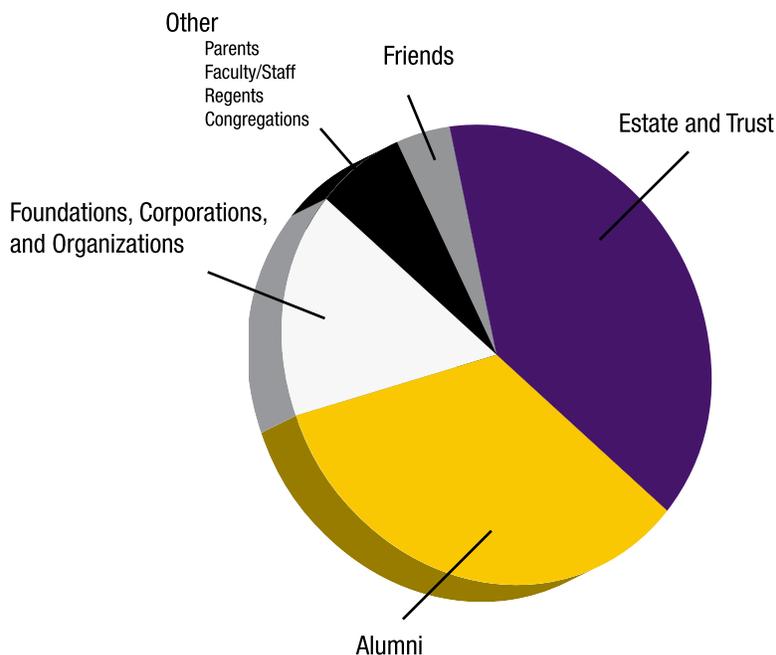
Thank you for helping make our work possible and helping to reach our goals this past year. We ask for your continued prayers and financial support as we look forward to another great year.

Sincerely,

Raymond M. Beebe
Chair, Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation
Retired Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary
Winnebago Industries, Inc. (1974-2012)

BREAKDOWN OF GIFTS

June 1, 2011- May 31, 2012



FOREVER CHANGED

Nineteen Waldorf College students and three chaperones embarked on a mission trip to Pine Ridge, S.D. during spring break that changed their lives forever. Their mission was to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all people they came in contact with and develop student leadership.

An Oglala Sioux Native Indian Reservation, Pine Ridge is located in the southwest corner of the state. Upon arrival, the group immersed itself in the Native American culture and got to know members of the Lakota Tribe. Waldorf students mentored and tutored kids at the Wolf Creek Elementary School on the reservation, and played outdoor games with them as well.

Though rich in history, Pine Ridge County is the number one poverty stricken county in the nation. "They are living in extreme poverty, yet you wouldn't know it," said Antoine Cummins of Brooklyn, N.Y., who is majoring in business at Waldorf. "They always had a positive attitude and were extremely welcoming.

The more we learned about them, the more we learned about ourselves."

The Waldorf group stayed at the Makasan Presbyterian Church and Retreat Center in Oglala. The pastor there arranged for three speakers to present various topics to them in the evenings. Topics touched on the Native American Culture and Issues, Religion and Faith, Political Issues on the Reservation, Working with the Federal Government, Working with Prejudices, and the History of Oppression. One speaker took the group out to Wounded Knee and had them make a tobacco offering around the mass grave while he sang a song in the Lakota tongue.

A tour of a couple of other schools on the Reservation was also on the agenda. The first was Oglala Lakota College, a community college that is educating Native Americans in nursing, technology and teaching. Since many of the students are single moms, satellite courses are offered in many of the small towns on the reservation. The second school was the Red Cloud Indian School, a private Jesuit school that promotes Native American art. Red Cloud is the number one high school in the nation for Bill and Melinda Gates Millennium Scholarship recipients.

At the end of each day the Waldorf volunteers came together and formed a "talking circle." It was a time to unwind and share highlights of the day with each other. Favorite moments always included spending time with the children. On the last day,



“The trip deepened our own faith while learning about the similarities of the Lakota people and their faith.”

-ACE Director Mason Babcock, Chaperone

Waldorf football players Antoine Cummins and Marshall Williams got up to leave the playground and a little girl gave Marshall a note the size of a fingernail that said, “I will miss you.” It nearly brought them to tears. At that point, they told Rev. Greg Anderson, associate pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Forest City, that they wanted to stay there forever.

Another highlight occurred on their way home at Wayatan Lutheran Church in Rapid City, S.D. This ELCA congregation has a powwow every Wednesday night as an outreach to the community. It not only happened to be Wednesday when the group stopped, but also Julie Reis’s birthday. A junior from Crystal Lake, Iowa, Reis received a powwow birthday celebration that she will never forget.

On this particular night, the pews were pushed back to the walls and 50 people danced with Reis in a circle in the middle of the church to the sound of drums. “We were blessed by the whole thing,” said trip organizer Anderson. “They bought us pizza and danced with us – young and old alike, in the traditional dances and dress of the Lakota people. It was amazing.”

The travellers returned to campus on March 16, different from when they left. “It was life changing for me,” said Michael Petrime, a freshman from East Canton, Ohio. “I learned so much about myself and more about the Lakota people. It was a great experience.”

Mason Babcock was also deeply impacted by the trip. “The trip deepened our own faith while learning about the similarities of the Lakota people and their faith,” he said. “It was intriguing how the Lakota people intertwine Christianity and their Native American beliefs.”

Students who went on this trip are working on ways to continue their service to the Lakota people and the children at Wolf Creek School. They have developed a Facebook page to brainstorm ideas on ways to help those who made such a big impact on their lives.

The mission trip was fully funded by the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation. The students paid a \$50 deposit, which was eventually returned to them. Meals, gas, lodging and transportation were all provided. ■

“It was life changing for me. I learned so much about myself and more about the Lakota people.”

-Freshman Michael Petrime



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So, what does this mean for those who have had their gifts to Waldorf matched in the past? We encourage you to select the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation as one of your choices when you direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars.

We also encourage Thrivent members who never took part in the GivingPlus program to take advantage of this new opportunity. This is a wonderful way to help the Foundation grow financially secure.

You can direct Choice Dollars by calling 1-800-847-4836 or going online at www.Thrivent.com. Click on the Thrivent Choice option under the "Thrivent Community" heading. Log on and follow the step by step directions. Be sure to direct your gift to the "Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation" not "Waldorf College."

Thank you to those who have already participated in Thrivent Choice and directed Choice Dollars to the Waldorf Foundation. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Olson at 641-585-8147 or olsonn@waldorf.edu. ■



Facilities employee Lynn Osterkamp has given countless rides to students from early in the morning to late at night, without a complaint.

-Anonymous

NOTICE OF ASSOCIATION OF CONGREGATIONS MEETING

The next meeting of the Waldorf Lutheran Association of Congregations is scheduled for Thursday, October 11 in the Salvesson Ballroom. To date, 23 Lutheran congregations with a passion for young people and campus ministry have joined the Association. If your congregation is interested in joining or learning more about membership, please contact Rita Gilbertson at (641) 585-8140 or alumni@waldorf.edu. More information can also be found on the Waldorf Foundation website at www.waldorffoundation.org/campus-ministry/assoc-of-congregations/. ■

WITH GRATITUDE

We warmly thank all of you who made a gift to the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation during the last fiscal year (June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2012). This magazine includes the Honor Roll of donors for that time period for recognition purposes only.

As a reminder, the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization and gifts to the Foundation are tax-deductible. The Foundation continues to serve as a link from Waldorf's past to its future by supporting the following:

- **Student Scholarships** – to ensure more students have access to the Waldorf experience. All scholarships are awarded directly to students.
- **Campus Ministry** – to ensure campus ministry organizations continue. This may also include mission trips and service projects for our students as well as Bible study curriculum.
- **Alumni Relations** – to foster stronger relationships with alumni and the Forest City community through regular communication such as the Waldorf Magazine and regional events.

We sincerely thank you for your past support and ask you to consider a gift to the Foundation this fiscal year. All gifts are appreciated! We invite you to stay engaged with us, visit us on campus as often as you can, and keep us informed of any contact changes or major events in your life. And, as always, please let us know if and how we can be of service.

For more information about scholarships or other ways you can support the Foundation, please feel free to contact either Nancy Olson at 641-585-8147, or Rita Gilbertson at 641-585-8140.

Sincerely,

The Foundation Staff,
Nancy, Rita and Janet



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Significant levels of lifetime giving achieved from June 1, 2011 – May 31, 2012.

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Gifts from June 1, 2011 – May 31, 2012. (Includes *Regent's Club, President's Club, Dean's Club, Warrior's Club, Builder's Club, and Century Club*)

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HOLTAN SPOTLIGHT

If you are looking for a trustworthy person to keep a secret, just talk to any one of the children of Stanford and Ruth Holtan. For several years, they kept a secret from their parents. In 2004, they established an endowed scholarship in honor of Stan and Ruth and steadily contributed to it until it was fully funded. On January 23, 2011, the secret was finally revealed at Stan's 90th birthday party at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Forest City, Iowa.

The Stanford and Ruth Holtan Endowed Scholarship was awarded at Honors Day 2012 for the first time. Ruth and five of the seven children who attended Waldorf were present and met their scholarship recipient, Jonathan Aguilar, from Britt, Iowa. They thoroughly enjoyed having an opportunity to sit with Jonathan, hear about his dreams and goals, and listen to him sing with the choir.

Sadly, Stanford passed away a few months earlier and was unable to join the family for this special occasion. Daughter Audrey



Audrey refers to a Holtan family photo while her brothers look on at Honors Day 2012.

stated that her father "would have had so much fun today. He would have been grinning from ear to ear."

Each of the five children, (Jerry '67, Audrey '68, Keith '69, Steve '73 and Ron '77) spoke during the Honors Day program and shared memories about their ties to Waldorf. "We were accustomed to being part of the Waldorf family." Jerry Holtan remarked. Audrey fondly recalled her mom baking bread and bringing it to the cafeteria and her dad giving hayrides to Waldorf students so that they could see

what a farm was like. The other brothers shared about their family's love of music and math and participating in the Waldorf choir. It's no surprise that their scholarship is awarded to a Forest City or North Iowa student who exhibits a high ability in math or music and demonstrates financial need.

In reference to Honors Day, Audrey remarked, "I thought it was a beautiful event and a great celebration of gifts. I was amazed how many scholarships are given to students and smiled to see so many Waldorf supporters and students there!" ■

HONORS DAY 2012

Another successful Honors Day was held on April 4 in Waldorf's Atrium. Over 60 scholarship donors presented their scholarship awards to student recipients. The students were given an opportunity to meet their scholarship donors and thank them for helping them achieve their educational goals. In addition to meeting their recipients, the donors were given the opportunity to share why they established their scholarship and information on persons being honored with named scholarships.



Leslie Hemmingson, Susan Saltou, Iris Hemmingson and Andrea and Robert Wrage presented the Ethel Marie Hanson Saltou Scholarship to Ashley Brinkman '14.



Jane Sansgaard-Ward '71 presented the Alan Sansgaard Memorial Scholarship to Janelle Flatebo '13.



James and Norma Adams presented the Maevis Adams Memorial Scholarship to Sharayah May '13 and Michael Polsdofer '13.



Cynthia Ryder, Dawn Borgschatz Johnson '80, John Robinson and Deepraj Mukherjee presented the Business and Economics Department Scholarship to Carvenus Hobbs '13.

Due to the generosity of donors, 203 scholarships were awarded to 179 students. Additional scholarships will be awarded to incoming freshmen. The following ten scholarships were given special recognition for being awarded for the first time:

ANNUALLY FUNDED:

The Business and Economics Department Scholarship

The Business and Economics Department Scholarship was established in 2011 by Dawn Borgschatz Johnson '80, John Robinson, Cynthia Ryder, and Deepraj Mukherjee of the Waldorf Business Department. The award will be given annually to an upcoming junior or senior who is majoring in business and has earned a 3.0 GPA or higher.

The Class of 1951 Scholarship

The Class of 1951 Scholarship was established by members of the class in honor of their 60th class reunion with the goal of helping a student be able to attend Waldorf. This scholarship is awarded annually to one or more returning students based on financial need and overall potential.

Rose Ferjak Art Scholarship

The Rose Ferjak Art Scholarship was established in 2011 by family and friends in memory of Rose. This annually-funded scholarship is awarded to a returning serious art student who is minoring in art.

Eunice Keller Grunkemeyer Scholarship

The Eunice Keller Grunkemeyer Scholarship was established in 2011 by Bill Grunkemeyer in honor of his mother, Eunice. This annually-funded scholarship is awarded to a fine arts student who demonstrates financial need.

Don and Kris Meyer Scholarship

The Don and Kris Meyer Scholarship was established in 2011 by Don '72 and Kris '75 Myhrwold Meyer. This annually-funded scholarship is awarded to a student involved in the music program, but does not need to be a music major. Preference will be given to a student who is also involved in other co-curricular activities and exhibits a love of learning.

Pastor Daniel Stegen Memorial Scholarship

The Pastor Daniel Stegen Memorial Scholarship was established in 2011 by his parents, Dean and Mary Ann Stegan. This annually-funded scholarship is awarded to a junior or senior student who is a Bible believing Christian from the Midwest and has earned a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Mary Ella Wiese Memorial Scholarship

The Mary Ella Weise Memorial Scholarship was established in 2011 by Dr. Cynthia Ryder in memory of her mother, Mary Ella. This scholarship is awarded to a student who participates in varsity golf, is a theatre arts major, or takes studio art classes. Preference is given to a student from Wisconsin who demonstrates financial need.



Judy Wogsland, Sharon Fleming Bahr '68 and Tim Bahr '68 presented the John Wogsland Memorial Scholarship to Cassidy Atchison '15.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS:

Stanford and Ruth Holtan Endowed Scholarship Fund

The Stanford and Ruth Holtan Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in 2011 by family and friends to honor Stan and Ruth for their love and commitment to Waldorf. The award was announced on Stan's 90th birthday to honor his encouragement of math and music in his own family. This scholarship is awarded to a student from Forest City or North Iowa who exhibits a high ability in math or music and demonstrates financial need.



Jerry Holtan '67, Ron Holtan '77, Steve Holtan '73, Ruth Holtan '43, Keith Holtan '69, and Audrey Holtan Olmstead '68 presented the Stanford and Ruth Holtan Endowed Scholarship to Jonathan Aguilar '12.



Ardelle Brosdahl Osnes '48 presented the Osnes Family Scholarship to Daniel Minniti '13.

Lynn and Rosalie Juhl Educational Scholarship

The Dr. Lynn and Rosalie Juhl Educational Scholarship is awarded to a student from Iowa with demonstrated academic ability and a strong work ethic. Special consideration is given to math, science, or education students who express interest in international organizations such as Peace Corps.



Gerald '57 and Judy Anderson presented the Roger C. Anderson Memorial Scholarship to Holly Gilbertson '13.



Sharon Holmen Peterson '61, Virgil Peterson '59, Beverly Peterson Page '57 and Carol Peterson Edwards '55 presented the Stella L. Peterson Memorial Scholarship to Conner Kem '14.

Kennes and Alice Kingland Future Teachers Scholarship

The Kennes and Alice Kingland Future Teachers Scholarship was established in 2010 through their estate gift and by family members David and Sue Kingland and Chuck and Nancy Sweetman. This endowed scholarship is awarded to a returning student who is majoring in education, has a minimum 2.5 GPA and demonstrates financial need.



Bob '54 and Ruth Hatteberg Johnson '55 presented the O.J. Johnson Scholarship to Jason Mueller '13.



Kimberly Meyer, Becky Steffensen Hill '73, Vickie Zobel '09, Marcia Trygstad and Sheila Willms presented the Outstanding Future Educator Fund to Troy Hobscheidt '12.



Mark '79 and Rita Ullerstad Gilbertson '79 presented the Gayle Hempstead Waylander Memorial Scholarship to Sally Stock '13.



Bill '58 and Mary Carlson Johnson '58 presented the William and Mary Johnson Scholarship to Juliana Roberts '14.



Virginia Moore presented the Selmer and Lorena Gunderson Scholarship to Adam Isaacson '13 and Amber Brown '13.



L to R: Dave Damm '73, Mark Clouse, Denny Jerome '70, Dr. Robert Alsop, Jeff Pierce '85, Ryan Flickinger '02, Scott Pierce '84, Joe Tautges '07, Mason Harms and Scott Pitcher '97.

ALUMNUS HONORS FATHER WITH GOLF TOURNAMENT AND SCHOLARSHIP

Every spring Jeff Pierce '85 can be found making arrangements for the Gabby Pierce Memorial Golf Tournament in honor of his father, Harold "Gabby" Pierce '65. The 7th annual golf tournament was held June 11 at Oak View Golf Course in Freeborn, Minn. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. Seventy-two people participated in the tournament, including two teams from Waldorf College that included Dr. Robert Alsop, president; Dave Damm '73, associate professor of communications; Denny Jerome '70, women's basketball coach and assistant athletic director; Mark Clouse, golf coach; Scott Pitcher '97, admissions director; Mason Harms, vice president for business affairs, Ryan Flickinger '02 – head baseball coach and Joe Tautges '07, assistant baseball coach.

"We have had a team involved since its inception and this year we were privileged enough to take two teams. As the tournament approaches each June, those of us who have participated in the past get excited. We really look forward to seeing everyone," said Pitcher. "There are so many people that Gabby touched and this is apparent by all of the family, friends and former players who come back to participate."

Gabby Pierce is a charter member of the Waldorf Athletic Hall of Fame and was an All-American in three sports – football, basketball and baseball. He went on to be an exceptional athlete at Augustana

College in Sioux Falls, S.D. and to build a very successful career as a high school coach in Southern Minnesota.

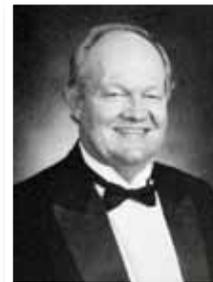
"The tournament is a real family effort," adds Jerome. "All Gabby's kids – Jeff '85, Scott '84 and Jenny, together with the grandkids, all pitch in to make it a wonderful event that seems to improve every year. I believe there were 16 more golfers this year."

In 2006, family and friends established The Gabby Pierce Scholarship with the funds generated from the tournament. The Gabby Pierce Scholarship is awarded to an incoming male athlete from Southern Minnesota when possible. The student must also have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Last spring, a student was awarded the scholarship in the amount of \$1,881.

Jeff Pierce said they wanted to establish something ongoing that would honor their dad and all that he stood for. "Golf was as much a life passion as high school and college athletics; it made perfect sense to use one as an avenue to fund the other," said Pierce. We had no idea it would grow this much or that we could raise this much money. Dad would be proud of the financial support we are providing a Waldorf athlete."

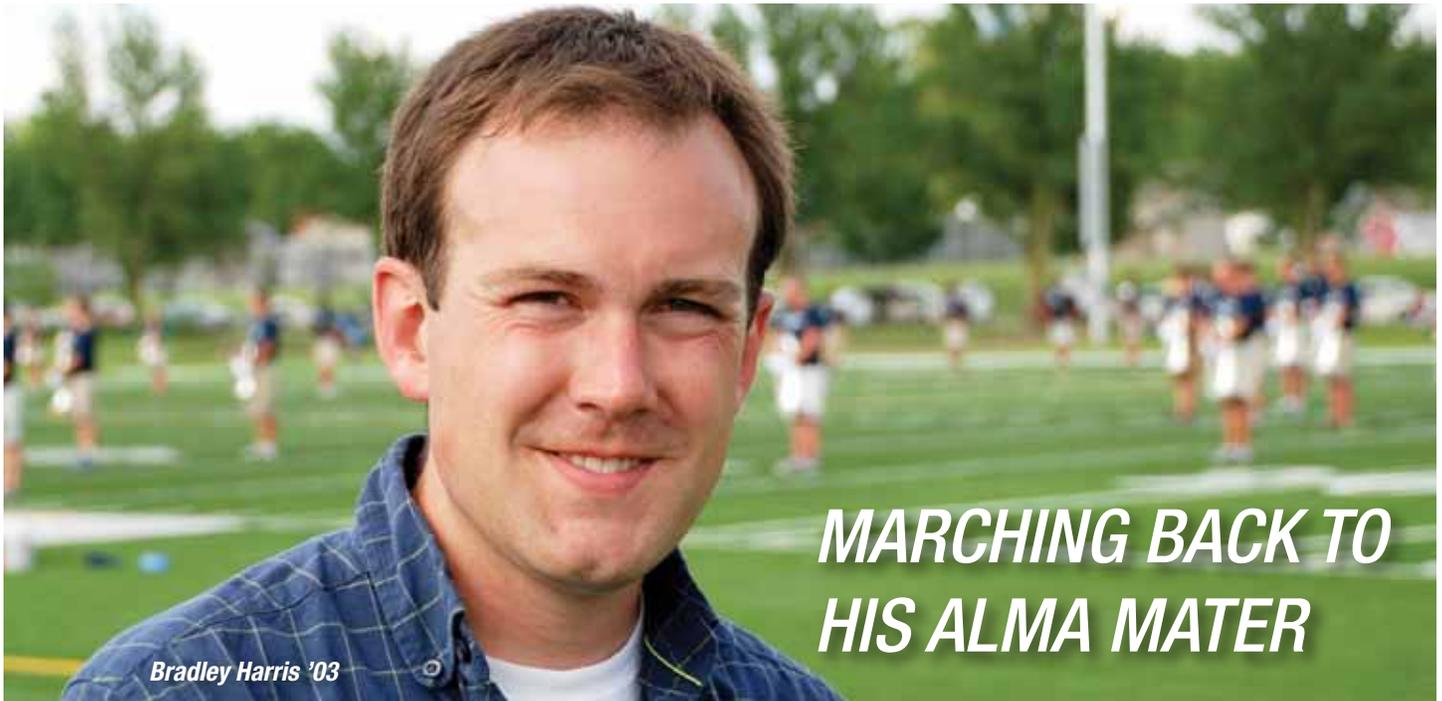
Jeff Pierce serves on the Waldorf College Alumni Board and will be inducted into

the Waldorf College Athletic Hall of Fame on September 28, 2012 during homecoming weekend, just like his father was. No doubt, Gabby would be proud! ■



JOHN AND SUSAN WILLIAMS MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP IS ESTABLISHED

Former members of the Waldorf Choir who sang under John (JW) Williams (1992-1998) and Susan Williams (1992-1999) have established the John and Susan Williams Music Scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded to an incoming gifted vocalist at Honors Day next April. Anyone may contribute to the scholarship. If interested, please send your check to the Waldorf Foundation office and designate it to the John and Susan Williams Scholarship. Designated gifts may also be made online at <http://www.waldorffoundation.org/donate/online-give/>. All gifts made to this annual scholarship by Dec. 31, 2012 will be awarded to a student next spring. ■



Bradley Harris '03

MARCHING BACK TO HIS ALMA MATER

After a couple of his classmates were killed in an automobile accident, Bradley Harris '03 decided to become a funeral director. But a music band tour to Norway, while attending Waldorf College, led him to a brand new career path.

"I found my calling at Waldorf College," said Harris, who currently works as the director of operations at the Blue Stars Drum and Bugle Corps. "Waldorf was a great beginning to my college career." Harris credits Steve Thompson, former band director, for helping him discover his passion for music.

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Harris joined the Blue Stars as an equipment manager last year and was recently promoted to his current position recently. He returned to his alma mater nine years later to run a training camp for the marching group. "I was anxious about getting 200 people in town, but everyone was so accommodating," said Harris. The group needed a new location to train this summer after their regular venue for rehearsals in Indiana did not work out. Harris remembered his English teacher, Dr. Robert Alsop, who now serves as the president of the college, and connected with him. "I realized there is a great school with excellent facilities in Iowa. I sent Dr. Alsop an email and the next thing we knew we were coming to Forest City."

Harris and his team were very impressed with Waldorf's facilities and the amount of space that was available to them. "The new turf field and indoor facilities far exceeded our expectations," he said. The group, used to sleeping on gym floors and classrooms, considered staying in Waldorf dorms as a luxury. "It reminded me what it means and how special it is to go to a small school."

Blue Stars is a musical marching unit that involves the artistry of brass, percussion instruments and color guards. Members of the Blue Stars, typically between the ages of 15-21, start their days at 6:30 a.m. and continue rehearsing for eight to 12 hours. "Blue Stars is the educational experience outside of school," said Harris. "The members try to perfect something that is intricate and difficult." Blue Stars attracts participants from all over the world, particularly U.S., UK, The Netherlands and Japan. After rigorously

rehearsing on the Waldorf campus for about a month and a half, the Blue Stars group gave a free performance to the community of Forest City. The Blue Stars went on to participate in 40 drum corps competitions throughout the country during the summer.

Harris received an associate's degree from Waldorf College in 2003, and transferred to Luther College to complete his bachelor's degree. He then moved to Normal, Ill. to pursue a master's degree in instrumental music conducting and trombone performance at Illinois State University (ISU) and graduated in 2008. Harris has performed with the Peoria Symphony Orchestra, Illinois Symphony Orchestra and Sinfonia da Camera. He is currently the Director of Brass Ensembles for the Central Illinois Youth Symphony and teaches at a small private trombone studio in Bloomington, Ill. ■




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Come show your Waldorf spirit at Homecoming 2012! We have a packed schedule of events that offers many opportunities for you to connect with your classmates and friends. All alumni and friends are encouraged to join us for this special weekend!

All reunion lunches will be held in the Atrium again this year, with the exception of the golden anniversary class of 1962. Private rooms will be available afterward for more chatting. You may want to stop by the art and craft fair in the Salvesson Lobby, join in the hymn sing following the parade or participate in the annual 5k run/walk. You will have many chances to cheer on the Warriors at a men's hockey game (Albert Lea, Minn.), men or women's soccer game or the traditional homecoming football game. "Lawn Mower

Wars," a comedy written by Waldorf's Director of Theatre Dr. Robert AuFrance, will keep you laughing with performances both Friday and Saturday night.

As always, we are proud to honor our Athletic Hall of Fame inductees and Alumni Distinguished Service Award recipients. 2012 Hall of Fame candidates will be inducted on Friday night, and the Distinguished Alumni recipients will be recognized at the Taste of Waldorf Dinner on Saturday. The 1962 Football team will also receive special recognition at the Hall of Fame Banquet and during half-time of the homecoming football game. Come help us honor these special alumni.

We want to hear your Waldorf story and capture it on video for posterity! Stop by the marketing / advancement suite from

12:30- 2:30 on homecoming Saturday and tell us your favorite Waldorf memory or what Waldorf means to you. Videos will be compiled and selected videos may be posted on Waldorf's website. A copy will also be donated to the college archives.

You will notice a couple of changes to the schedule this year. The alumni choir sing-a-long will be combined with the Waldorf homecoming concert and will take place at Immanuel Lutheran Church at 4 p.m. on Saturday. Former choir directors have been invited back to direct a selection of their choosing and a special tribute will be given in memory of former choir director John Williams. Our hope is that this change in time and venue will allow more alumni the opportunity not only to attend the homecoming music concert, but feel part of it as well.

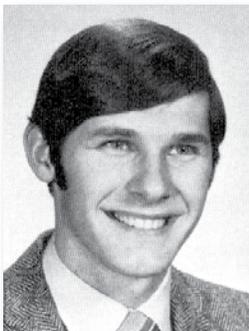
Homecoming worship will be held at Immanuel in conjunction with their regular church service on Sunday at 10:45. All are welcome to attend!

ALUMNI DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS:

RECENT ALUMNI AWARD FOR SERVICE RECIPIENT:



Jan Shurson Anderson '72



The Rev. Dr. Phil Holtan '70



Andrea Goedderz '07

The homecoming brochure including a complete schedule of events and registration form was mailed earlier this summer. The schedule and registration form can also be found online at <http://www.waldorf.edu/Homecoming>. If you have any questions about homecoming weekend, please contact the alumni office at alumni@waldorf.edu or (641) 585-8140. ■



"Lucky" Van Truong

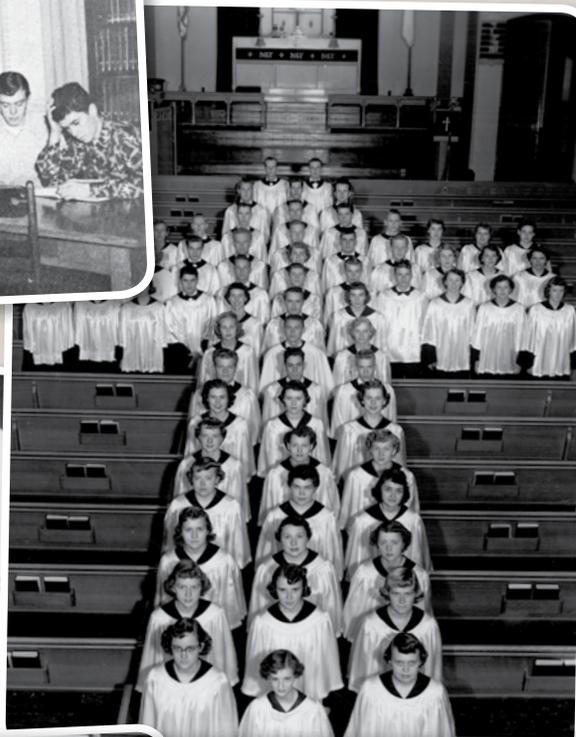
HOMECOMING PARADE GRAND MARSHAL IS LUCKY THIS YEAR!

The Grand Marshal for the 2012 Homecoming Parade is Phuoc "Lucky" Van Truong! For 30 years, Lucky has proudly served Waldorf College in the facilities services department.

Lucky came to the United States in 1975 as a refugee from Vietnam and began his work in the maintenance department at Waldorf seven years later. He has had many duties that include plumbing, repair work, mail delivery, snow removal and lighting to name just a few. He serves as the unofficial bird, bat and wasp catcher on campus and is an avid recycler. He has changed nearly every light bulb on campus over the years. No matter what Lucky is asked to do, his reply is always, "no problem." His smile and positive attitude are contagious.

Lucky has shared with his family that coming to the United States has allowed him to fulfill the proverbial American dream – to live freely in a nation, to own his own home, to raise a beautiful family in a safe small town and provide them with a college education and to work in a caring and Christian environment.

Phuoc in Vietnamese means "lucky" and while this man feels lucky to serve at Waldorf, the college is lucky, indeed, to have such a dedicated and exceptional employee on staff. ■



2012 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES:



Jim Dotseth '63



Carrie Norman Lowry '01



Jeff "Curly" Pierce '85



Jamie Rustad '97

ALUMNI BOARD

CURRENT ALUMNI BOARD MEMBERS

Please thank the following members of the Alumni Board for their time and service:

Amy Bahr '03 – President, West Des Moines, Iowa
 Duey Jolivette '81 – Vice President, Newton, Iowa
 *Amy Ruter Stouffer '99 BA – Secretary, Bellevue, Neb.
 *Jeff Barth '78, Mulkiote, Wash.
 *Trevor Garbers '97, Englewood, Colo.
 Judy Brown '84, Rosemount, Minn.
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 Karilyn Naeve Claude '72, Algona, Iowa
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 Jan Hetland Hernes '61, Forest City, Iowa
 Jane Ellwood Askeland '72, Mason City, Iowa
 Andy Buffington '90, Forest City, Iowa
 Rachel Anderson '08, Clear Lake, Iowa

*Outgoing members at homecoming

New members at homecoming include:

Keith Holtan '69, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Jay Smith '04, Rochester, Minn.
 Amanda Weiss '09, Albert Lea, Minn.



Left to Right: Vivien Aasland Hansen, Kent Stock, Jodi Evans, and Judy Brown help identify unmarked photos in the college archives.

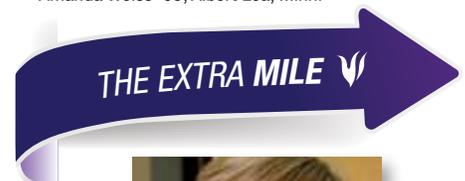
ALUMNI BOARD CONTINUES TO SERVE

Members of the Waldorf College Alumni Board not only attend campus meetings and network with students about career opportunities, but also serve their alma mater in many other ways. You will see many of them on campus during homecoming weekend helping at the registration table, ushering at events and more. They are there to make your experience more enjoyable.

During a recent summer meeting, held on June 23, 2012, members of the alumni board wrote handwritten notes to 30 prospective students to encourage them to attend Waldorf. Others helped identify photos in the library archives. In the past, board members have also written notes to new faculty and staff, welcoming them to Waldorf College.

Future plans for this active board include helping new students move into their dorm rooms, assisting with freshman orientation, interacting more with current students, hosting more alumni events around the country, and developing an "I am a Warrior" video.

A couple of years ago, members of the Alumni Board established the Alumni Board Annual Scholarship through the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation. Many members contribute to the scholarship and the collective amount is awarded to a student in need each April at Honors Day. This past April, the Alumni Board Scholarship recipient received \$1,330 to help defer the cost of tuition. ■



I would like to commend recently retired art professor Kristi Carlson for being a fantastic mentor, professor, and friend during my four years at Waldorf. She helped me develop my artistic skills, worked tirelessly with me to develop my senior show, and was always available to talk when I was going through rough times. She was a fantastic encouragement to me and my fellow peers in the studio, she was always full of humor and grace, and she has inspired me to live a life of devoted service to all who show need.

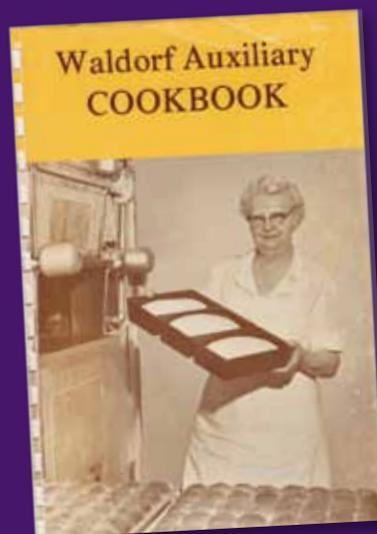
COOKBOOK REPRINTED!

The legendary Waldorf Auxiliary Cookbook has been reprinted to accommodate the high demand for delicious recipes of such well-known Waldorf alumni and friends as Tillie Rasmusson, Muggie Hagen, Ingeborg Coltvet, Ruth Johnson, Delores Mork, Esther Rasmussen, Susanne Tjornhom, Kathy Jerome and many more! It even devotes an entire chapter to international foods featuring recipes from kringla, lefse and Swedish meatballs to Greek lasagna and wiener schnitzel! The book also includes classic Waldorf photos that span several decades.

Cost: \$15

The Waldorf Cookbook may be ordered by completing and returning the form below or by calling (641) 585-8148.

Proceeds from the cookbook will go to the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation to help fund student scholarships, honoring the intent of the Waldorf College Auxiliary when they published the original cookbook approximately 30 years ago.



Please note that the cookbook has simply been photo-copied and bound, not digitally re-typed, enhanced or re-formatted in any way. It has a laminated cover for easy care.

The Waldorf Cookbook makes a wonderful gift for family and friends. Reserve your copies today!

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Quantity (\$15 each, includes shipping) _____

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Payment Method: Check Credit Card

Please mail check to: Waldorf Foundation (designate "cookbook")

Waldorf College, 106 S. Sixth Street, Forest City, Iowa 50436

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Signature _____



Jeff Pierce '85, CEO and Independent Financial Advisor at Jeff Pierce LLC in Chaska, MN demonstrates a firm hand-shake to students during the round-table discussions.

ALUMNI BOARD NETWORKS WITH STUDENTS

The Waldorf Alumni Board's professional networking event for Waldorf students on March 24 this year was a success for students as well as alumni.

More than 30 students participated in the event, which was held on the Waldorf campus. The day began with five 15-minute sessions on Professional Networking, Professionalism in the Workplace, How to Make the Most of your Internship, Landing your First Job in a Tough Economy and Life After College. Students listened attentively as alumni board members spoke about these topics from their experience.

Following the sessions, students participated in round table discussions with alumni in their particular field of study. The event also included résumé and cover letter critique sessions and mock interviews allowing students more experience and insight that will help them in their job searches.

"This event was extremely helpful. I learned tips for interviewing, writing my résumé, and life after college. I feel much more prepared after attending this event," said Megan Dobberstein of Waseca, Minn., who graduated from Waldorf College last spring. "The Alumni Board members offered great advice, and it was a wonderful opportunity to speak with people in my field."

The event was organized by the Waldorf Career Center and Alumni Office, and took the place of the "Living and Working In..." event usually held in Des Moines or Minneapolis. ■

"I thought this was an excellent event that offered our students a 'Life 101' reality check and valuable tips that will not only help them land their first job, but achieve success over the course of their career."

-John Robinson, Professor of Business

CLASS OF 1957 POOLS DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Chuck Skogerboe '57 noticed the Class of 1951 Annual Scholarship mentioned in the spring issue of the Waldorf Magazine and was inspired to challenge his class to fund a one-time scholarship in honor of their 55th class reunion. The scholarship will be awarded based on financial need and overall potential to one or more students at Honors Day next spring. The amount raised for the scholarship will be announced during the homecoming reunion luncheon on Saturday, September 29.

If you would like to volunteer to challenge your class to establish an annual or one-time class scholarship please contact Rita Gilbertson at (641) 585-8140; alumni@waldorf.edu or Nancy Olson at (641) 585-8147; olsonn@waldorf.edu. It is always great to see our alumni take initiative in organizing a class effort. Thank you, Chuck, and thank you Class of '57!

As a reminder, all gifts to the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation are tax-deductible as allowable by law. ■

THE EXTRA MILE



Amy Woods, student activities director, invites her SWAT Student Activity leadership team over to her house for a weekend retreat each year. They use this time to connect, share meals, work on team building and plan student events for the year. The students really appreciate the opportunity to get off campus for a quick getaway and refresher in a new environment.

-Anonymous

ANSWERING THE CALL

We talk a lot about vocational discernment at Waldorf College, a spiritual practice that helps a student sift and sort through facts, feelings and intuition in order to answer questions like, “What is God’s desire for my life’s work? How can I use my gifts for a greater purpose while also making myself happy? What is my identity and true calling?”

Some may shy away from the discernment process because they are afraid a certain vocation will not earn them a lucrative enough living or they won’t be good at it. Others may not listen closely enough to identify it. But in those instances when students and alumni answer their true call, what an impact they can have on society.

Like millions of other parents, Rev. Stephen and Sandy Anenson are proud of their two sons, Rev. Nathan '02 and Jon Anenson '04, although not necessarily for reasons some might expect like climbing the corporate ladder of success or receiving national awards and recognition. Rather, they are proud of their sons for allowing the Lord to use them in whatever they are doing.

Nathan and Jon grew up in a Christian home located in the small Scandinavian town of Story City, Iowa. Although their father is senior pastor at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, a member of the Waldorf Lutheran Association of Congregations, and their mother is the chaplain for Bethany Life Communities, neither of them thought they would end up following in their footsteps. There was

talk and lived what they preached. “My parents influenced my life a great deal,” said Pastor Nathan. “I saw in both of them a real connection to the Lord and that has helped shape who I’ve become. They have such a genuine love and care for people and have served as a role model to me.”

Nathan graduated from Waldorf as a full-tuition scholar and President’s Award recipient in 2002 with a three-year degree in Management Information Systems (MIS). He had thoughts of becoming a computer engineer, however, God had other plans for him. The more he became active in campus ministry at Waldorf, the more he developed his true gifts and a passion for ministry, music and worship. He honed his leadership skills through involvement with Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) and started an outreach band that traveled to churches in Iowa, Minnesota and Colorado.

During his final semester at Waldorf, Nathan felt less attracted to a career in computer engineering while feeling led to apply to Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. Even though he didn’t have total peace about the seminary either, Nathan paid attention to what God was calling him to do and attended seminary that fall. Once Nathan was ordained he served as associate pastor for five years at St. Luke Lutheran Church in Cottage Grove, Minn. During a time of transition at St. Luke, he served as interim senior pastor, all the while continuing to pray for discernment. “Who is God calling me to be as a pastor?” he asked. “And, what does it mean to be

“It’s all about Jesus. It’s not about me.”

-Nathan Anenson '02

no pressure from their parents to pursue ministry. “We just wanted to teach our sons that Christian faith is relevant to everyday life,” said Pastor Stephen.

According to Nathan and Jon, their childhood was quite normal – sports, drama, music and friends. However, they observed both parents as they walked the

part of ministry now, to be part of God’s mission in the 21st century and make disciples?”

God seemed to answer Nathan by prompting him to accept a call as senior pastor at Lutheran Church of the Cross in Altoona, Iowa, a congregation of 2,300 members. The congregation spans all ages



Back Row – L to R: Rev. Nathan Anenson '02, Lisa Anenson (Nathan's wife), Rev. Stephen, Tiffany Weir Anenson '06, and Jonathan Anenson '04. Front: Chaplain Sandy Anenson.

and is in need of a strong leader. "It does not surprise me at all that Nathan has taken on such meaningful service and leadership roles in his life," said former professor and current president, Dr. Robert Alsop. "Those attributes were abundantly clear when he was a student at Waldorf,"

No doubt, Nathan has a big job ahead of him, but he is excited to be part of a movement of the Holy Spirit and to see people grow in their relationship with Jesus. He is quick to put God at center stage. "It's all about Jesus," he confesses. "It's not about me."

Jon Anenson, Nathan's younger brother, has also been called to ministry. He attended Waldorf as well and both brothers were active in campus ministry together at the same time for one year. During the summer, Jon worked as a counselor at Riverside Bible Camp in Story City where he was involved with drama. He eventually developed his own non-profit organization called "Awaken Ministries" that grew out of the popularity of mime dramas at Riverside Bible Camp.

Nearly seven years later, Awaken Ministries is still going strong. Awaken has reached more than 10,000 people in over 50 venues across the Midwest. Jon's experience with Awaken sharpened his leadership skills, and stirred in him a desire to start and develop new ministries

and churches. Jon then began his seminary journey at Fuller Theological Seminary at their regional campus in Colorado Springs, Colo.

At the time, one of the largest and fastest growing Lutheran churches in the United States, Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines, Iowa was looking to plant a new church in the city of Des Moines. One of Nathan's seminary classmates happened to be one of the pastors at Hope, and learned about his brother Jon and his passion for drama and ministry in addition to his strong leadership skills. After much prayer and discernment, Jon accepted the position as director of the new church campus.

Jon is now continuing his education at Bethel Seminary in St. Paul, Minn. and will be ordained this coming winter. In the meantime, Jon continues to provide pastoral leadership for this young and growing church through preaching, teaching, discipleship, and leadership development.

"God has blessed Jon with the gift of leadership, which he is using faithfully to make a positive and lasting impact on the city," said Senior Pastor Mike Housholder at Lutheran Church of Hope in West Des Moines, Iowa.

Jon's excitement for his call is contagious. The church is just four years old and the demographics range from the very wealthy to the homeless. "On any given Sunday we will have a homeless person sitting next to someone making six figures," Jon says. The church offers two services and reaches 200-250 people every Sunday. Anywhere from 30-60 of them are homeless.

Reaching the "unchurched" and seeing how people's lives are transformed by Jesus is especially exciting for Jon. He has witnessed many transformations from people breaking free from addictions to baptizing into new life those who were once far from God. God has grown in Jon a unique passion for urban ministry, especially helping ordinary people discover outreach as a natural overflow of a relationship with God. "I love seeing people embrace the idea of being a missionary every day right here in Des Moines," Jon says.

Three years ago Jon married Tiffany Weir Anenson '06. They met at Waldorf and

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-Jon Anenson '04

their relationship grew when they both worked at Riverside Bible Camp and Awaken Ministries together. Tiffany joined the staff at Hope Des Moines last spring as Operations Coordinator. "We love doing ministry together," Jon said.

Nathan and Jon are fifth generation pastors and credit much of who they have become to their parents and upbringing. In turn their parents, Stephen and Sandy, have also been influenced by their sons. "The boys have taught me that there are many ways to do ministry and present the gospel," said Chaplain Sandy Anenson. "They have encouraged me to think outside the box."

Vocational discernment may not come easy to many of us as it involves quieting the fears and distractions of our heart long enough to listen to the movement of the Holy Spirit; to hear his gentle invitation and answer the call, whatever it may be. God uses all of us in many different ways. Like the Anenson's, let's make a real difference wherever we are planted. ■

POLISHING THE BIG APPLE



Today, Lenny Budyonny '94 works on Wall Street in New York City, but he credits Waldorf College and former President Bill Hamm for helping him get there.

Lenny came to Waldorf from Stavropol, Russia in the former Soviet Union following a series of coincidences that some may call fate – others may have another word for it.

In early 1990, Waldorf music professor Dr. Timothy Schmidt and his family traveled to the Soviet Union. Alexander Budyonny, Lenny's father and a classical pianist in Stavropol, heard about their arrival and got to meet them. Of course Tim and Lenny's father hit it off well, and the two classical pianists even ended up performing together. When Tim left Stavropol, he told Lenny that, if he was ever in the United States, to be sure to stop by Waldorf College and say hello. Lenny appreciated the gesture but, given the rarity of any cross-border travel among the Soviet citizens at that time, he thought to himself, "Yeah, right – not likely."

Fast forward a few months ahead. In July 1990, Mikhail Gorbachev met with President George H.W. Bush in Washington, D.C. at a historic summit. There, both leaders signed several diplomatic accords—basically, agreements to ease the long-standing effects of the Cold War and to facilitate cultural, educational and business exchanges between the Soviet Union and the United States. Upon his return, Gorbachev's first initiative was to implement a student exchange program.

One stipulation Gorbachev insisted upon was that the student sent abroad would come from the Stavropol Krai (or region), Gorbachev's birthplace. Lenny learned of this life-changing opportunity and entered the contest—only one spot was available—along with hundreds of other students. Competing with the children of some well-placed apparatchiks and Communist Party officials, he didn't think for a second that he would ever win, but he did. It was the first-ever U.S.-Soviet full-time student exchange program of its kind.

Ever since Nikita Khrushchev's visit in 1959, Iowa and its agricultural commodity prominence held deep fascination among the Soviet officials. By 1990, Iowa had become the official U.S. "sister state" of the Stavropol Region, and so Lenny was sent to Davenport for the exchange, which was also sponsored by the Davenport Rotary Club. There, he lived with his first American host family and attended Davenport Central High School. However, at the end of the fall semester, he was told by the officials that the program had come to an end and he needed to go home. "At the time, after spending just a few months in the U.S. and barely becoming acquainted with the American way of life, I wasn't ready to just pack up and go back," Lenny said. "So, I called Tim Schmidt. Hello – do you remember me?" he asked.

He did. Tim invited Lenny to come to Waldorf and, in turn, introduced him to President Bill Hamm. After hearing of Lenny's situation, Bill wrote to the U.S. State Department, requesting

that Lenny's program be extended for another semester. "We are still waiting for the reply," Lenny says, with a chuckle. Bill also persuaded the Forest City Rotary Club to work out the details with the Soviet officials and to sponsor Lenny's stay for the second semester. Lenny lived with host parents, Steve '68 and Anne Bechtel Bakke '68, both Waldorf alumni, and their children Aaron and Laura in Forest City. He attended Forest City High School, where he participated in the Future Farmers of America events, studied Home Economics with Anne Bakke, and even took a few piano lessons with Professor Schmidt. "But I didn't practice, at all," he says. "I think Tim Schmidt didn't fail me for diplomatic reasons."

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When the academic year came to an end, Lenny went back to the USSR to finish his secondary school, graduating with the "gold medal" (or the straight A equivalent). This was 1991, when the Soviet Union was falling apart. The country was on the brink of civil war, and Gorbachev was being ousted from power by the more charismatic Boris Yeltsin. At that time, Lenny was considering a career in diplomacy and preparing for entrance exams in Moscow. But, in the summer of 1991, Moscow and the rest of the country saw some serious violence and public unrest. Lenny's parents insisted that he change his plans and think about pursuing studies abroad. He contacted his friends at Waldorf and, shortly thereafter, mailed his transcript and received a need-based scholarship to attend the college in the fall of 1992.

On his way to Waldorf in the summer of 1992, Lenny and his family traveled to Moscow, Russia's capital with the population of approximately 10 million people. As they were walking through the Red Square one day, Lenny noticed a tall, outspoken man. He took a long look at him again, and sure enough – it was Bill Hamm! Unbeknownst to Lenny, President Hamm was visiting Moscow with a group of U.S. college presidents and, having been to the USSR in the past, had just said to them half-jokingly, "I haven't seen anyone I know here all week." Of course Bill was surprised to see Lenny, a soon-to-be Waldorf freshman, when he tapped him on the shoulder and then introduced his family. What are the odds? "Unfathomable," Lenny reacts, still incredulous.

The Honors College at Waldorf was a perfect fit for Lenny. He enjoyed the many lectures presented by faculty members on various topics and soaked up as much information as possible. As part of the Honors program, Lenny traveled to Italy and Greece with his classmates. His sophomore year he toured through Germany, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia, Austria and Poland with Director John Williams and the Waldorf Choir. "To attend Waldorf and have a chance to tour the world was beyond

my expectations," Lenny notes. "Waldorf reinforced in me the principle that you cannot live a cloistered life, no matter where you happen to live at the moment. You have to get out and see the world. And, you should never stop doing that," he says.

Lenny credits the rigorous academics at Waldorf. Among many outstanding faculty members, Dr. Jim Hamre, in particular, made an impact on him as a true scholar with encyclopedic knowledge of philosophy and religion, and who was always up for a serious intellectual discussion.

While a student at Waldorf, Lenny spent the summers working on the line at Winnebago and the academic year working at Gatsby's Grill. "Velma once shook her finger at me, telling me that I was putting too many scoops of ice cream in the milk shakes," Lenny recalls with a smile. Velma Severson served in food service at Waldorf for 42 years.

However, according to Lenny, the best thing about Waldorf College was President Bill Hamm. "To this day I don't understand why he would take such an interest in me and, later on, my brother Art (who also attended Waldorf). Had it not been for Bill Hamm, I'm not sure I'd be sitting here today," Lenny states. "From his initial letter to the U.S. State Department to his guidance on which college to attend after Waldorf (I ended up going to Middlebury) to instilling in others the values of hard work, Dr. Hamm has been unbelievable. And, I don't think I would have gone on to law school at Columbia University if it weren't for him. He is a remarkable human being."

After graduating from law school in 2001, Lenny began his career in New York City as an investment banker. Then September 11th happened and the economy plummeted. He went back into law and spent half a decade or so as a corporate restructuring lawyer at a large international law firm. Eventually, and perhaps going back full circle to the commodities history shared by Iowa and Stavropol Krai, he ended up working as an in-house counsel for Louis Dreyfus Commodities in Connecticut, where he spent three years. Then, an opportunity arose to work at Goldman, Sachs & Co. in New York City. In 2011, Lenny joined Goldman as a Vice President in its Commodities division. He enjoys doing complex transactions with clients around the globe, while always heeding some very important advice he once received from Bill Hamm: no matter how insurmountable a problem may seem – just do it!

Last spring Lenny established the Bill Hamm Annual Scholarship through the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation not only as a modest way to attempt to honor a man he calls a "superb educator and a great human being," but to also pay it forward to a student in need, not unlike himself 20 years ago.

Lenny believes that things happen for a reason. Looking back, he is thankful for the people and events that led him to Waldorf College and to his success today. Lenny lives with his family and his African Lion Hound in Connecticut. ■



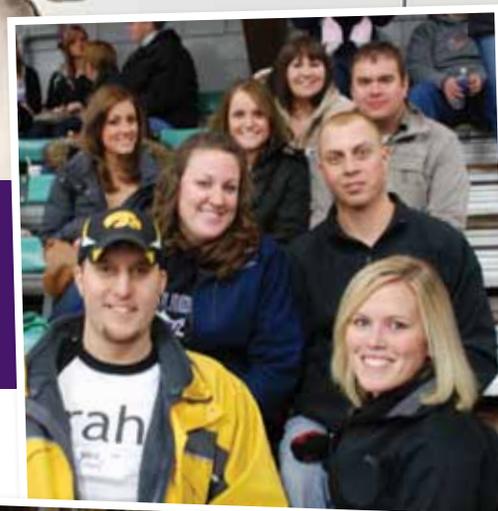
(L to R): Alumni Director Rita Gilbertson, Dr. Robert Alsop, and Dr. Natalie Alsop.

PRESIDENT TAKES TO THE ROAD TO MEET ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Waldorf president Dr. Robert Alsop and his wife, Dr. Natalie Alsop, have been meeting alumni in Arizona and the Midwest over the past several months. The following alumni events have been held this past year:

- Albert Lea, Minn. – Feb. 10, 2012 prior to a Waldorf Hockey Game
- Sun City, Ariz. – Feb. 22, 2012
- Mesa, Ariz. – Feb. 23, 2012
- Tempe, Ariz. – Feb. 23, 2012
- Story City, Iowa – March 20, 2012
- Des Moines, Iowa – April 19, 2012

Planning is underway for future events in Cedar Rapids, Iowa and Minneapolis, Minn. this fall. Stayed tuned via the monthly e-newsletter for updates. ■



FORMER FACULTY, STAFF, & REGENT NEWS

Myrna Behn, former food service employee, died March 19, 2012 in Hampton, Iowa.

Ronald Johnson, former director of the Concert Band and Waldorf Singers from 1966-1970, died January 16, 2011 in Mesa, Ariz.

WALDORF COMM. 411

If you are a communications alum and haven't heard about the Waldorf Communications 411 Facebook page yet, check it out! This opportunity for communications alumni to network and help each other grew out of a conversation Bill Middeke '00 had with Brian Cibula '00 one night over dinner. Both alums have a strong allegiance to the communications department and their alma mater, and wanted to find a meaningful way to volunteer and give back. After further brainstorming, the Waldorf Communications 411 page was born on Facebook. Together Bill and Brian developed the mission statement: To serve as a resource for current students, graduates, and friends of the communications program at Waldorf College. It is open to those looking for contacts, work critiques, career advice, mentors, information on possible internship or job opportunities, etc. and anyone willing to volunteer their time and talents to help.

So far, the page has approximately 226 friends. Feedback includes the following:

"I received some good critiques."

"I got a lead for a job/internship/project..."

"I moved to a new state/city and didn't know anyone, but I was able to connect with some Waldorf grads..."

Please post work you want critiqued, list a request for help, and search for alumni. It's that easy. Join the group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WaldorfCommunications411/>. Please help spread the news about this service. ■



(L to R): Andrea Johnson '73, Adrian Johnson – former director of Waldorf's Chapel and Concert Choir, Eleanor Johnson – former professor of education at Waldorf, and Donn Johnson '72.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU FROM AJ AND FAMILY

From Donn '72 and Andrea Johnson '73

Our entire Johnson family wants to extend a big "THANK YOU!" to the Waldorf family. Your response to our quiet request for cards and emails recognizing AJ's 90th birthday was overwhelming.

Dad's birthday on June 3, was a wonderful day. It started at church with Dad and Donn singing a duet, accompanied by Andrea, which was followed by lunch with the four generations. Then we brought out "The Book," as it has been named. Three of the granddaughters had put together a huge book holding all the memories received from the Waldorf community. Dad and mom were touched by your thoughtful, funny and heartfelt remembrances. They are still enjoying the reading!

Words cannot express how much we appreciate each one of you taking the time to write. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

"What a way to celebrate a 90th birthday – the hundreds of cards and notes brought unbelievable memories and again reminded me of wonderful Waldorf years. Students, staff, and colleagues—THANK YOU!" Adrian Johnson (AJ)

We are anticipating a trip to Waldorf with dad and mom this year for Homecoming and will bring "The Book" in hopes of sharing with you what came together for dad's 90th. We plan on having a booth at the Art and Craft Fair and will attend the Alumni Choir Sing-A-Long. Again our sincere thanks!

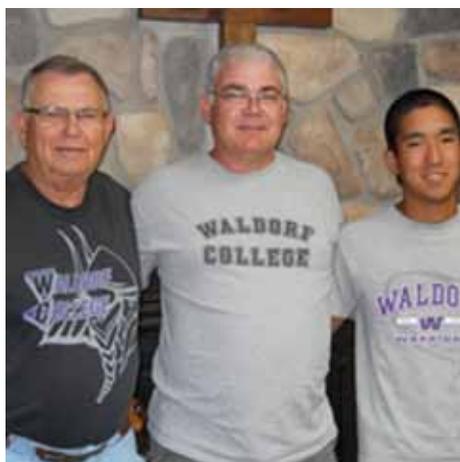
ALUMNI NEWS

Note: The alumni office receives class news from a variety of sources including web page updates, emails, and automatic Google alerts. We apologize in advance if some news is no longer current or accurate. If you have information about yourself or other alumni, please contact the alumni office at 641-585-8140 or e-mail us at alumni@waldorf.edu.

1930s

Ephraim Solyst '33 turned 100 on May 5, 2012. He lives in Kerkhoven, Minn.

1950s



Three generations of Waldorf men: Jim Valen '58, Jeff Valen '84, and incoming freshman Nathan Valen '16.

Carol Ann Olson Block's '59 husband, David, passed away July 22, 2011.

1960s



Paul Michaelson '60 is a clergy/counselor with the ELCA, involved in coordinating seminars/services for families and seniors. He also serves as golf coach for Burlingame High School in SF Bay area. Address: 20 Valley Road, San Carlos, CA 94070 Email: pmchlsn@yahoo.com

Craig Halverson '62 retired from Xcel Energy about 13 years ago after working there for 33+ years. He has continued part-time, working on many of their control system projects as a consultant. He is also

active at Westwood Lutheran in St. Louis Park, singing in the choir, working with the properties and A/V systems, and doing much of the maintenance of their computer network. Craig and his wife, Louise, have two children and two grandchildren.

Marcia Ott Duncan '63 enjoyed a mission trip with her daughter to Romania, helping in four orphanages in Bucharest, Bible School in Alexandria, and Sunday School in a small farm village. Marcia's husband, David, is a farmer. Address: 1986 15th Ave, Alexis, IL 61412 Email: marciaduncan@qonline.com

Jim Johnson '66 and wife **Connie Anderson Johnson '66** have six children and 15 grandchildren. Jim, a publisher of The Shepherd's Guide, the leading Christian business directory, released the 19th edition of The Shepherd's Guide for Kansas City, Mo. He and Connie have been publishing The Shepherd's Guide Kansas City for about five years. Jim is also self-employed and represents a promotions company called Promotional Concepts Inc.

Nicholas Needham '67 is senior pastor at the United Methodist Church. Address: 320 W Meadow Ln, PO Box 514, Walcott, IA 52773 Email: revnickn@iowatelcom.net

1970s

Bruce Carter '73 was elected to lead the American Association of Airport Executives for 2012-2013 during its 84th annual conference and exposition in Phoenix. Bruce is the Quad-City International Airport aviation director. He has served as president of the Great Lakes Chapter of the organization, chair of the National Airports Conference and the Airport Ground Handling Association. He also serves on the International Association of Airport Executives.

Debra Kuns Perreira '74 is a title abstractor for the County of Hawaii.

Kar Woo '74 has started a nonprofit homeless intervention program called Artists Helping the Homeless. Every night, Kar pilots his van to hospitals, shelters, treatment centers and group homes across the Kansas City metro area, giving rides to hundreds of people in need.



A whopping 80% of the 2nd Orm gals from the Class of 1973 got together this summer in Clear Lake for a fun time! Collectively, they raised more than \$500 toward their annual 2nd Orm Scholarship, Class of '73 that will be awarded next spring. Front Row (L to R) - Sheila Monson Davis; Margaret Hagen Harris; Marlys Holtan Andersen; and Sue Witte Swackhamer. Second Row (L-R) - Juli Albers Knapp; Marcia Hill Haugen; Joy Rosdail Klepacki; Carol Quina Bergland; Julie Rendall Flo; and Karen Schmidt Schnepf. Third Row (L-R) - Barbara Osthus; Karla Holmen Grennan (2nd Orm RA); Cheryl Jackson Lekwa; and Karmel Quame Evans.

Roberta Olson Hamilton '76 lives in Minnesota. Address: 4890 Ashley Lane Apt #105, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077 Email: schnauzer1015@yahoo.com

Lana Potter Thompson '77 and her husband, Kevin, have three children, and live in the Forest City area. Lana works at Bill's Family Foods, and Kevin works at Holland Contracting.

1980s

Wendy Ries Besel '81 and her husband, Ken, have three children. Wendy teaches Kindergarten at Butterfield/Odin School, and Ken is a grain specialist at WFS in St. James. Address: 73431 380th Street, St. James, MN 56081 Email: besel1@hotmail.com

Casey Ball '84 recently graduated summa cum laude from Upper Iowa with a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services specializing in drug and alcohol counseling. He works at United Community Services (UCS) in Des Moines.

Valerie Torgerson '84 is a family practice doctor at McFarland Clinic. Address: 1014 Northpark Blvd, Huxley, IA 50124 Email: vtorgerson@mcfarlandclinic.com

Debbie Nelsen Ripperger '87 is a front counter customer service rep for Media-com. She and her husband, Robert, have been married since August 1998. Address: 2734 59th St., Des Moines, IA 50322 Email: dripperger@msn.com

Suzanne Doane Anderson '88 is a legal assistant in Idaho.



Waldorf friends catching up at Centro Restaurant in Des Moines, Iowa. L to R: Jody Pedersen Janssen '80, Kathie Coleman Petersen '81, Linda Twedt Ballard '80, and Nancy Cleveland Peterson '80.

1990s

Julie Wright '91 served as intern pastor at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. She will finish her final year of seminary at United Theological Seminary (New Brighton, Minn.) and will graduate in May 2013. Julie is a candidate for ordained ministry in the ELCA.

Dawn Hyman McSweeney '92 is a senior administrative assistant at Aviva. Her husband, Mark, is a teacher. Address: 443 Edgewood Lane, Pleasant Hill, IA 50327 Email: dawnhyman@hotmail.com

Brian Thoreson '93 married Tami Thompson on November 5, 2011. Brian works at Winnebago Industries, and Tami works at Graham Manufacturing in Mason City, Iowa.

Richard Stapleton '95 received his doctorate in Counselor Education and Supervision from Argosy University, Denver, Colo.

Grant Kimberley '96 and wife, Natalie, welcomed son Austin Grant, born May 31, 2011. Grant's family hosted the Chinese Vice President Xi at his family farm during Vice President Xi's recent visit to Iowa in February. He also had a meeting with him in March as Grant went to China during a trade mission with the Iowa Soybean Association and Iowa's Lt. Governor Kim Reynolds.

2000s

Sara Shepherd '01 recently relocated to rural Stuart, Iowa into a house that was moved last fall and has been doing a lot of remodeling. She continues to work at

Brokers International, Ltd in Panora, Iowa as a marketing analyst/project manager. Address: 1445 Riverside Ave, Stuart, IA 50250 Email: letter2sara@gmail.com

Sean Nagle '02 and wife, Tammy, welcomed daughter Corinne, born January 11, 2012.

Jason Olson '02 and wife, Melanie, welcomed daughter, Britta Audrey, born February 4, 2012.

Lisa Moeller '03 received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree, then her Nurse Practitioner degree and just recently completed her doctorate at the University of Iowa. She works as a nurse practitioner for a cardiologist at Cedar Valley Medical Specialists in Waterloo.

Markina Cornell '04 married Andrew Bemis on August 20, 2011. Markina is a broadcast assistant at Haworth Marketing and Media in Minneapolis, and Andrew is employed at Twin Cities Harley Davidson in Lakeville, Minn.



Amanda Foss '07 was inducted into Porterville College's Athletic Hall of Fame during the Hall of Fame banquet held on March 10, 2012. She is now working on her master's in Education at the University of Montana and will complete her master's in August of 2012.

Grant Thompson '07 married Kyla Cook in June 2012. Grant is an MRI technician at Shared Medical Services in Atlantic, Iowa.

Brendan Nagle '08 is employed in sales at Pritchard's, Northwood, Iowa.

Kristin Mariner '08 married Matt Engels on June 23, 2012. Kristin is employed by 21st Century Rehab as a physical therapist, and Matt is employed by United Parcel Service.

2010s

Caitlin Leitzen Hamilton '10 has joined the United Way of North Central Iowa as the community impact coordinator and regional coordinator for Hancock, Winnebago, Kossuth and Worth counties. She and her husband, Aidan, live in Garner, Iowa.

Kasey Krekling '11 returned to his hometown of Hayfield, Minn. and started the town's amateur baseball team, the Hayfield Heat, two years ago. He's also helping run the Hayfield summer recreation program, and he will take his role in town one step further as he begins his first year as the Vikings' head coach this spring. In the winter, he serves as the girls assistant basketball coach.

Keith Reuter '11 married Chelsea Weis on May 26, 2012. Keith is a fourth grade teacher in Mason City, Iowa.

Deaths

Some of the information below is received by family members or friends of the deceased. Information is also obtained from newspapers and the Social Security Death Index Search. If you would like to report a death of an alumnus, notify the advancement office at (641) 585-8148.

Evelyn Olson Callies '29 died April 25, 2012 in La Crescent, Minn. Evelyn taught country school for nine years. She enjoyed gardening and baking, bird watching, listening to music, and was an avid reader. Survivors include two daughters, four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and a sister.

Gladys Asbe Shumway '37 died August 25, 2011 in Des Moines, Iowa. Gladys taught in a country school prior to moving to Des Moines during WWII to work at the airplane factory. She later worked for Iowa Pack and retired from Banker's Life (currently Principal). After retirement, Gladys did volunteer work and took classes at DMACC and Grandview College.

Ruth Torkelson Edlin '38 died November 19, 2011 in Jackson, Minn. Ruth taught in rural schools in Iowa for three years. In 1942, she moved to Seattle, Wash. and

worked at Boeing Manufacturing in the drafting department. She was married to Milton Edlin in 1946. They moved in 1951 to Jackson and made their home together, after Milton had graduated from South Dakota State University. Ruth was an active member of her church, serving on the church council, as church librarian, and member of the Missionary Prayer Group. She also sang in the church choir, and was active in many circles. She was a member of the League of Women Voters, Jackson Garden Club, VFW auxiliary, and served on the Girl Scout Council. Survivors include three children.



Marcella Trettin Walk '38 died February 27, 2012 in Osage, Iowa. Marcella's first job was with Sears as a cashier, followed by a brief career at Standard Oil, and the secretary to R.

B. Irons, Superintendent of Schools, all in Mason City. On January 20, 1944, she enlisted in WAVES. Her training was in New York City, followed by schooling in Cedar Falls, Iowa. She was assigned to an IBM unit in Washington, DC, where she kept track of all of the Navy planes around the world. After the war, Marcella and her husband, Raymond, returned to Mason City. They were approached by a local banker to purchase Christian Bros. General Store in Grafton. She was in business for 43 years, operating The Corner Store, later renamed Walk's Market. In July of 1994, she moved to St. Ansgar. Marcella enjoyed weekly Bible class, morning breakfast with friends at the Sportsman's, and eating and helping at the St. Ansgar Senior Center. Survivors include two children.

Dorothy Thoreson Niblock '41 died October 4, 2011 in Boone, Iowa. Dorothy was a member of the Memorial Lutheran Church, Mary church circle, Stephen Ministry, and P.E.O. She loved meeting and greeting people with her infectious smile. Survivors include husband, LaNair, and four children.

Florence Larson Nye '41 died May 8, 2012 in Mason City, Iowa. Florence taught school for 23 years in Fertile, Albert City, Coon Rapids, and Forest City. She enjoyed reading, sewing, quilting and working

crossword puzzles. She was a member of the Pilot Knob Lutheran Church and was involved in circle and Woman of Life. Survivors include husband, Max, and three sons.

Dorothy Narveson Melvin '42 died May 14, 2011. After serving in the WAC's in WWII, she settled in North Carolina and raised five children. After the children were out of school, she went back to teaching mentally handicapped children. Dorothy loved teaching and served on several boards to help them. She was a member of Plymouth United Methodist Church where she was an active Sunday school teacher and board member.



Barbara Hanson Bulman '43 died March 31, 2012 in Apple Valley, Minn. Barbara taught school in Rockford, Humboldt, Sac City, Northwood and Forest City, Iowa.

She was active in Education Associations in each of the schools during the 32 years she taught, holding offices in the NEA, Alpha Delta Kappa, Honorary teachers sorority, and American Association of University Women. She also served on the Winnebago Historical Society; Forest City YMCA Board, (charter member and first Chairperson); Waldorf Alumni Board, Buena Vista Alumni Board, Storm Lake; Vesterheim Board of Norwegian Historical Museum, Decorah, Iowa; Buena Vista College Board of Trustees, Storm Lake; and Winnebago Industries, Inc. Board of Directors where she was employed for 10 years. Barbara received the Distinguished Alumni Award at Waldorf College, the Distinguished Alumni Award at Buena Vista College, Storm Lake, and was inducted into the Forest City High School Hall of Fame. She taught Sunday school in each of the communities where she resided. She was very involved in documenting the family genealogy of all four of her Norwegian grandparents, parents and family, traveling to Norway many times to collect missing information. Barbara enjoyed traveling to all fifty states and many countries and continents. Survivors include son, Ned, and sister, **Dorothy Hanson Nelson '37**.

Maxine Holstad Vaage '43 died December 15, 2010. Max was a loving mother and grandmother who was active in her grandchildren's lives, playing games and baking with them. She loved to cook, try new restaurants, and shop. She taught her children and grandchildren the value of family and friends. Max will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Survivors include two daughters and one brother.

Amy Oakland Heitritter '45 died August 31, 2011.

Astrid Aasheim Carlson '46 died March 13, 2012 in Mason City, Iowa. While at Waldorf, Astrid worked in sales for Lynn's Dept. Store and for Dr. James Norris, as an optometrist assistant. For the past 67 years, she has kept in touch with her Waldorf classmates through "Round Robin" correspondence. Astrid and her husband, Roy, moved to Nora Springs in 1951 where she was active in Christian Women's Club and in church circle, serving on various church committees. She enjoyed spending time with her family, reading, quilting, sewing, cooking, and writing poetry (one publication in the National Library of Poetry). Survivors include four children, and brothers, **Les Aasheim '57** and **Harlan Aasheim '54**.

Nathalie Tonderum Schulze '46 died April 30, 2012 in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Nathalie was a teacher in Cylinder, Lake Park, and Humboldt school districts. She was a member of many organizations such as the Humboldt County Historical Society, Humboldt County Hospital Auxiliary, Worthwhile Club, Women's Club, Humboldt County Genealogical Society, Retired School Personnel, and several book clubs. She enjoyed reading and crocheting. Survivors include two children, and sister, **Iva Mae Tonderum Keiser '46**.

Doris Kvale Ellwood '47 died June 16, 2012. Survivors include her husband and 3 children.

Galen Kuehnast '48 died June 11, 2012 in Escondito, Calif. Galen was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force serving during the Korean War from 1950-53, ending at Hickam AF Base, Hawaii. He became a writer in the Los Angeles area and, later, became a high school teacher at Orange

Glen High School in the San Diego area teaching English and Journalism. Survivors include his wife, Eileen.

Betty Sandell Hirt '51 died February 3, 2011.



Janice "Lou Ann" Ramsey '53 died July 2, 2012 in Mason City, Iowa. Lou Ann retired from teaching 1st grade in Mason City, in 1994. She was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church,

serving on the altar guild and as a member of various Bible study groups. She was also involved with IW Chapter of PEO and the Mason City Women's Club. She enjoyed genealogy and regularly communicated with Norwegian relatives, often hosting them in her home. She enjoyed baking cookies and dinner rolls, needlework, and reading. Survivors include her brother **Philip Ramsey '56**.

Philip Peterson '54 died November 23, 2011 in Story City, Iowa. Phil served in the Army from 1956-1958, serving 1 ½ years in Germany. After returning from the Army, Phil was a hog buyer for 38 years; 35 of those years as a buyer for Farmland Foods. He retired from Farmland in 1996. Phil loved driving, athletics, and seeing his grandkids. He drove to hundreds of ballgames for Roland-Story and for his grandkids' games. He even continued driving semis and delivering cars during his retirement years. Survivors include his wife, Shirley, a sister, three children, and 16 grandchildren, including **Layne Jacobson '08**.

Darlene Wooge Nelson '58 died October 21, 2011. Darlene and husband, Dean, served 38 years with American Missionary Fellowship in central Wisconsin. They directed the Riverside Bible Conference in Amherst, Wisc. for 32 years. Survivors include her husband, five children, and three sisters, including **Wilma Wooge Thompson '61**.



Edmund Davis '65 died May 31, 2012 in Forest City, Iowa. Ed continued his education at Iowa State University in Agricultural studies while

farming east of Forest City on the family farm. He and his wife, Kathryn, made their home on the family farm where they raised their four children. After farming, Ed continued operating his own grain business and later worked for a John Deere implement dealer and Winnebago Industries. He was an active member in his church and, in the 70s and 80s, continued his father's seat on the Winnebago County Fair Board. Survivors include his wife; four children, **Karolyn Davis Olson '92, Kent '95 and Amy Sanden Davis '97, Jason Davis '97, and Janelle Davis '02**; and brother, **Douglas Davis '67**.

Donald Hatlevig '67 died July 10, 2011. Don dedicated his entire career of 42 years to Watkins Inc., where he worked as a quality control supervisor. He spent his life helping others and serving in his church in countless ways, teaching Sunday school, being the lead usher and working as the props manager for many Christmas musicals. Survivors include his wife; three children; his mother; three brothers, including **Dick Hatlevig '72**, and three sisters.

Victoria Storm '69 died June 26, 2010.

Mark Rossow '70 died April 24, 2012 in Jefferson, Iowa. After Waldorf College, Mark attended Upper Iowa University and John Gupton College of Mortuary College Science. He started his career working for Slininger Funeral Homes in Jefferson in 1975. He purchased the business in 1985 and continued to work there until his retirement in 2008. Mark was very active in his church and community. Survivors include his wife, and two sons.

John Cormier '72 died February 21, 2012 on board the Norwegian "Spirit" Cruise Ship. John joined the Kernersville Police Department in 1974. In 1978 he returned to Baton Rouge and joined the East Baton Rouge Parish Sheriff's Department. He retired with 30 years of service from the Sheriff's Department. In 2010 he was elected Constable of Ward 3 District 2 East Baton Rouge Parish. Survivors include his mother and 2 brothers.



Douglas Dana '72 died October 24, 2011 in Belmond, Iowa. Doug worked as the sports editor

and writer for the Belmond Independent for over 26 years. Belmond-Klemme athletics were truly his passion and he was a fixture at most high school sporting events. He could be seen standing at the sideline and taking notes at every football game, sitting at the scoring table at home volleyball, basketball and wrestling contests, and doing the announcing at track meets and softball games. In recent years he was the announcer at the Iowa high school girls softball all-star game in Des Moines. In 2009, Doug was given the Jerry Wetzel Service Award by the Iowa Girls Coaches Association. He also volunteered to help with the Dog Days Triathlon, belonged to Gridiron, attended all the music and drama productions at the high school, was a faithful member of Trinity Lutheran Church and attended community fundraising events of every kind. Survivors include his sister, many nephews and one niece.

Robert Hanson '72 died February 25, 2012 in St. Charles, Ill. Bob worked for the Illinois Department of Corrections for 28 years, with 10 years in Pontiac and 18 years in Jacksonville. He was an active member of First Christian Church in Jacksonville. Bob was known for his incredible sense of humor, contagious laugh, passion for golf and his love and dedication to his family. Survivors include one son, two daughters, three grandchildren, and his mother.



Gary Fauskee '78 died July 23, 2011 in Minneapolis, Minn. Gary began his career in business working for ConAgra in Omaha, Neb. and was later transferred to St. Louis and Evansville, Ind., before

opening and managing grain operations for ConAgra in Portland, Ore. In 1985, he was transferred to the company's Minneapolis branch of Peavey Grain Company as controller of operations. In 2002, Gary joined his father, Dale, and his brother, Randy, at Fauskee Oil Company, the family business located in Brooten, Minn. Survivors include two sons, his mother, two sisters, and one brother.

REMINDER – NO MORE CLASS AGENT LETTERS

As a reminder, we have not been sending class agent letters for a couple of years now. Of course we still want to stay in touch with you and inform you of what your classmates are up to. Please continue to send your updates. We print class news in the bi-annual Waldorf Magazine and on the class blogs found on the Foundation website at <http://www.waldorffoundation.org/blog/>. We also encourage you to stay in touch with Waldorf College via Facebook by joining the official Waldorf College page. Facebook is also a good way to stay connected with your classmates and friends. ■

SEARCHING FOR FELLOW WALDORF ALUMNI?

If you would like to connect with a fellow classmate or an alumnus/alumna from another year, sign up for the Email Directory at <http://www.waldorf.edu/Email-Directory>. ■



HOW ARE YOU A WARRIOR?

As an alumnus/alumna, you are forever a Waldorf Warrior. However, we would like to know how you also see yourself as a warrior in everyday life.

According to Dictionary.com, one definition of “warrior” is a person who shows or has shown great vigor, courage or aggressiveness. It may be someone who fights for a cause. Other terms for warrior include: champion, hero, service person or soldier. How are you a warrior in your family unit, volunteer efforts, occupation and / or community?

Alumni board member Andy Buffington '90 proudly declares, “I AM A WARRIOR! When disaster strikes, I answer the call to keep my community safe and help rebuild it to wholeness.” Andy serves as the Emergency Management Coordinator for Winnebago and Hancock County.

How are you a warrior?

Please send a quote explaining how you are a warrior and if possible a photo of yourself holding the adjacent I AM A WARRIOR sign. Our hope is that you proudly hold it in front of you at national/international points of interest or places in your everyday life that visually show how you are a warrior. Send quotes and digital photos with tagline to alumni@waldorf.edu, or Alumni Office, 106 S. 6th Street, Forest City, IA 50436. We will feature select quotes and photos in the spring issue of the Waldorf Magazine. ■



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