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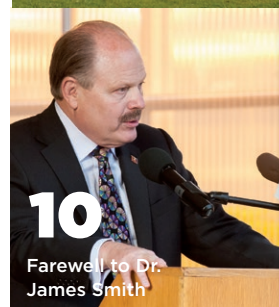
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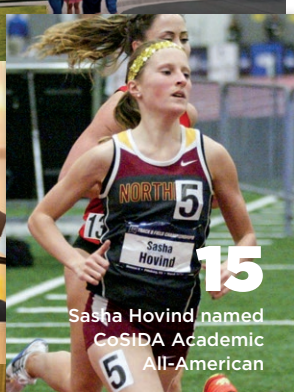
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As I compose my final welcome for this magazine, I am filled with emotions. How quickly seven years can pass. Connie and I came to Aberdeen knowing not a single person. We knew, though, that the opportunity at NSU was going to be a very good one for us. We were indeed correct. Now, seven years later, we leave with life-long friendships and tremendous stories of success to tell for years to come. Working with the campus community and the external supporters of Northern has been a real delight.

It has been an absolute joy to serve as the 16th President of Northern State University. Working alongside an outstanding Senior Cabinet, we have accomplished numerous things. I have great pride in these accomplishments, so let me detail just a few of these:

“IT HAS BEEN AN ABSOLUTE JOY TO SERVE AS THE 16TH PRESIDENT OF NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY.”

Lincoln Hall and Graham Hall were both transformed in a project that upgraded mechanical and electrical systems and added central air conditioning to faculty and staff offices – making Northern’s most historic buildings now much more energy-efficient and inherently more attractive as well.

The Barnett Center project added new locker rooms, a wrestling room and offices on the first floor, as well as a wellness center on the second floor. This addition produced a state-of-the-art athletics facility for our student-athletes and, indeed, our entire campus community.

Remodeling of the NSU Student Center of course added a popular new coffee shop for students and staff in Einstein Bros. Bagels. But it also added so much more – namely, more spaces for student organizations, and offices for Admissions, Student Affairs and the Counseling Center.

The creation of our International Sculpture Garden in Baumgart Plaza added five sculptures by acclaimed Vietnamese artist Tuan Nguyen. The garden demonstrates our rich tradition of creating and displaying amazing artwork, while also symbolizing NSU’s increasing global reach.

Our campus has a new greenhouse that is already enhancing research for students and faculty. This state-of-the-art facility will help keep our growing science departments on the cutting edge.

And, the Johnson Fine Arts Center remodel is nearing completion. The project will feature a renovated main theater with improved acoustics and new seating, a black box theater, an art gallery, and new classroom and office space. There will even

be drive through access between the JFAC and Barnett Center parking lots. When all is said and done, JFAC will be transformed into an even more outstanding arts center for the campus, community and entire region.

In addition to buildings, we have launched new programs in music, banking and financial services, and biotechnology; we’ve expanded our Honors Program; and in April 2015 started the first Confucius Institute in the Dakotas. We’ve been awarded almost \$1.3 million from the Governor’s Office of Economic Development, most of which was used for equipment to enhance our chemistry labs. Funds were also used to purchase equipment for our biology labs, as well as upgrades to ventilation in one lab that will house cadavers for a new Gross Anatomy course to be offered starting next spring.

Our campus, today, is a global gathering place with students from 42 different countries, all now calling NSU home. The diversity of our campus has grown, and the impact our international students have made on specific programs is without peers in the Upper Midwest.

As for fundraising work, I want to thank all of you who have allowed Connie and me to visit your homes, businesses and places of recreation. To have a partner in fundraising, like Connie has been, is a pleasure for any president, but to see how all of you have welcomed us has been truly heartwarming. Along with members of our Foundation staff, it has been very rewarding to see how giving you have been to Northern State University. That kindness will certainly never be forgotten.

As I move on to Eastern Michigan University as their next president, I want to close by thanking all of you for the time spent here in Aberdeen and, especially, on the NSU campus. Regent Harvey Jewett, Mayor Mike Levsen, members of the Aberdeen Development Corp. and myriad others have worked collaboratively and forcefully to make NSU a better and stronger place during the course of the past seven years. Our donors have made that commitment even more compelling by investing time and treasury into our institution. With gifts like that of Millicent Atkins and much smaller gifts combined, Northern is growing and developing in many new and unique ways. I look forward to observing that growth, albeit from a farther distance, for many years to come.

Sincerely,



DR. ANTHONY WACHS, assistant professor of speech communication and director of forensics, received NSU's 2015-16 Outstanding Faculty Award. Wachs, coach of the NSU Speech and Debate team, has been teaching at Northern since 2011.



DR. ANDREW RUSSELL is the recipient of the 2016 Nora Staael Evert Research Award. Russell, assistant professor of biology, won for his project, titled, "Analysis of DNA Double Strand Breaks Induced by Pseudomonas syringae Effector Proteins."



DR. COURTNEY WAID-LINDBERG, assistant professor of sociology and criminal justice, co-authored a book chapter, "Fear of Crime Among University Students in Canada and the United States." It appears in the edited volume "Psychology of Fear, Crime and the Media."



DR. JOHN E. PETERSON and **SCOTT A. PETERSON** of the NSU School of Business won the Best Paper Award at the 2016 Academy of Business

Research New Orleans Conference. John Peterson is associate professor of finance. Scott Peterson is a management information systems faculty member.



DR. STEVEN USITALO has published a chapter, "Curiosity and the Kunstkamera," in a book titled "A Century Mad and Wise: Russia in the Age of Enlightenment." The book was issued in 2015 by Groningen University Press.



DR. THOMAS ORR, assistant professor of sport marketing and administration, published an article, "Concussions: The Marketing Nightmare that Faces the NFL and Youth Sports," was published in the Journal of Business and Economics.



DR. DARCI BULTEMA and **DR. MARLA FOGDERUD**, voice faculty members, presented "Sounds of the North" on Feb. 18 in Krikac Auditorium. The recital showcased

song literature they performed at the May 2015 International Grieg Society Conference "Edvard Grieg and the Human Voice," held at the Grieg Academy in Bergen, Norway.



DANIEL YURGAITIS, SETH M. HONERMAN, and **JOSHUA JOHN FRACHISEUR** were among Northern faculty and students receiving honors at the 2016 Region 5 Kennedy Center American College Theater Festival. They received the following certificates of merit: Honerman for Dramaturgy (also one of 12 candidates for the SDC Directing Intensive); Frachiseur for Achievement in Lighting Design; and Yurgaitis for Achievement in Directing.



DRS. ALYSSA ANDERSON and **JON MITCHELL**, both assistant professors of biology, presented research at the 63rd annual meeting of the

Entomological Society of America, along with several Northern biology majors.

DR. ALYSSA ANDERSON, assistant professor of biology, published an article, "Winter Diets of Brown Trout Populations in Southeastern Minnesota and the Significance of Winter-Emerging Invertebrates." It appeared in the journal Transactions of the American Fisheries Society.



DR. KELLY DUNCAN, dean of the Millicent Atkins School of Education at NSU, co-authored three articles that were published in the Journal for Counseling and Development. The articles are titled "Meta-Analysis of Counseling Outcomes for the Treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder," "Choosing Assessment Instruments for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Screening and Outcome Research" and "Psychometric Meta-Analysis of the English Version of the Beck Anxiety Inventory."



DR. AUDREY MILLER performed a faculty recital Feb. 4 in Krikac Auditorium. Miller performed on clarinet and bass clarinet. The recital featured faculty members Dr. Darci Bultema and Dr. Allan Jacobson; local pianist Ron Parker; and Seattle guest artist Dr. Kate MacKenzie.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

DR. ANTHONY M. WACHS presented on his new book at the McLuhan Centre for Culture and Technology at the University of Toronto. Wachs, assistant professor of speech communication, discussed “The New Science of Communication: Reconsidering McLuhan’s Message for Our Modern Moment,” on April 27.



TARA ARNTSEN, DR. JOSEPH SLICK, REBECCA PALMER and **DARRIN HETRICK**, NSU

Academic English Program instructors, presented at the 2015 Dakota TESL Conference. Arntsen, AEP/ESL director, presented “Best Tech: 6 Exceptional Resources for Educators.” Arntsen and Palmer co-presented “Versatile ESL Activities:



Learning English Should Be Fun.” Slick presented “To Direct or Not Direct ESL Programs,” and “Turning the Page on Saudi Arabian Students’ Reading and Writing: Making Sense of Success in American Universities.” Hetrick presented “Building Closer Connections to Community Using Authentic Materials.”



BECKY JENSEN, NSU TRIO advisor, served as chairwoman of the 2015 ASPIRE regional conference. Also at the conference: **JOSHUA JENSEN**, NSU

technology integrationist, presented “Gamification: Using a Gaming Model for Student Engagement”; and **PENI MOUNGA**, NSU TRIO Upward Bound director, presented “Highlights & Benefits of Reflective Student Involvement in Programming” and “Crafting Successful Discussions with Diverse Populations.”



DR. JOSEPH SLICK and **DARRIN HETRICK**, NSU English as a Second Language instructors, attended a professional learning visit to the Huron School District. Slick and Hetrick learned that district’s best practices, observing ESL programs in action at the high school, middle school and elementary school level.



DR. COURTNEY WAID-LINDBERG, MR. DARYL KOSIAK and **DR. KRISTI BROWNFIELD**

published an article in the Annual Review of Interdisciplinary

Justice Research (Volume 5). The article is titled “The Representation of Prison Subculture Models in Mid-20th Century Hollywood Film.” Waid-Lindberg is assistant professor of sociology and criminal justice. Kosiak is instructor of criminal justice. Brownfield is assistant professor of sociology.



DR. JEFFREY HOWARD has published two articles this year: “Flashback Gordon: Cryptic Communication within a Base-Running Relay-Throw Event” in The Baseball Research Journal; and “On Creation Toward Scientific Explanation” in Creation Research Society Quarterly. Howard is assistant professor of psychology and department coordinator.



DR. KENNETH BOULTON started as the new School of Fine Arts dean at Northern State University on July 6. Boulton was previously professor of piano at Southeastern Louisiana University, where he also served as interim head of the Department of Fine and Performing Arts from 2011 to 2015.



DR. JOSHUA HAGEN will begin Aug. 3 as NSU’s new dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Hagen was a professor of geography at Marshall University, Huntington, West Va., since 2003 and department chair since 2010. He replaces Dr. Celestino “Tino” Mendez, who retired at the end of this academic year.



LACI HETTICK is the new director of NSU TRIO-Student Support Services. Hettick’s previous roles included academic advisor, adjunct instructor, and Student Success Coordinator.



KELLI KRAUSE was hired as the new director of development of the Northern State University Foundation. Krause most recently was the director of development at Presentation College.

NEW FACULTY AND STAFF

S.D. legislator Sly delivers commencement address

South Dakota legislator and Northern State University alumna Jacqueline (Peterson) Sly '69 delivered the university's spring



commencement address at the ceremony, held May 7 in the Barnett Center. Sly, a longtime educator in South Dakota, played a key role in advancing the education bills this session as co-chair of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on K-12 Education Funding.

Sly received her bachelor's degrees in elementary and special education from Northern in 1969. In 1996, she completed her master's in curriculum and instruction from Black Hills State University.

Sly worked as a teacher for 37 years, teaching throughout South Dakota in the areas of special education, elementary education and alternative education.

"In 1966, Northern was my first home away from home as an 18 year old," she said. "It provided me with a sense of belonging and being a part of something bigger, beyond the safety net of my family and my hometown of Platte."

NSU awarded accreditation of its business programs



Northern State University's business programs have been awarded accreditation from a leading specialized association for business education, the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs.

The ACBSP accreditation is a tremendous honor for the NSU School of Business, said Dr. Willard Broucek, dean.

"Specialized accreditation recognizes the School of Business' commitment to provide the highest quality business education for our students," Broucek said. "Quality, continuous improvement, and academic excellence are the benchmarks by which we judge our efforts."

ACBSP accreditation certifies that the teaching and learning processes within the business programs and degrees offered by the NSU School of Business meet the rigorous educational standards established by ACBSP.

NSU officials received the Certificate of Accreditation at the ACBSP Conference 2016 in Atlanta, Ga., on June 19.

Timothy Downs named NSU president

Dr. Timothy M. Downs has been named the 17th president of Northern State University by the South Dakota Board of Regents.

DOWNS became president at NSU on June 27, succeeding Dr. James M. Smith, who assumed the presidency of Eastern Michigan University July 1.

Downs was formerly the provost and chief academic officer of New York's Niagara University. He provided leadership and supervision for all facets of Niagara University's academic affairs work since 2011.

"In his academic life, Dr. Timothy Downs has worked as a faculty member and administrator across all levels of the institution. He has been at the forefront of initiatives to improve the student learning experience," said Regent Harvey Jewett, who chaired the presidential search committee. "We were impressed with his commitment to a learning tradition that develops students as critical thinkers, lifelong learners, and socially responsible leaders. We are pleased to welcome him to South Dakota, to Northern State University, and to the community of Aberdeen."

Downs said, "I am excited to join the Northern State University learning community and am extremely honored to serve as the next president. Northern has a great reputation for providing exceptional learning opportunities and being an outstanding partner in the Aberdeen community and beyond. It is evident that the talented faculty and staff I met during the search process are the reason why Northern students love their campus and alumni are loyal supporters of the institution. In fact, everyone I met during the campus visit, including those from



the university, community, and the Board of Regents, confirmed that this opportunity is very special. I look forward to engaging with students, alumni and friends of Northern to continuously improve upon the Northern experience and learning outcomes for our students. Additionally, I am excited to engage in the continued work to strengthen our local and regional economies, recognizing that these partnerships are critical to the success of Northern, the region, and the State of South Dakota."

Now in his 28th year in the higher education field, Downs holds a Ph.D. in organizational communication from the University of Oklahoma. He earned a master's degree in communication studies from West Virginia University, and a B.A. degree, also in communication studies, from California State University, Sacramento.

Dr. Downs and his wife, Mary, are excited to join the NSU campus and the Aberdeen communities. Tim and Mary enjoy hiking and biking, exercising their two dogs (Bob and Harvey), along with an occasional round of golf.

Groundbreaking ceremony held for new residence hall

Northern State University held a groundbreaking ceremony for its new residence hall on May 4.

THE CEREMONY took place at the location of the planned residence hall, near South Washington Street and 12th Avenue Southeast.

The 144-bed residence hall will house a mix of freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors. It will include a variety of suite-style options throughout the facility, including 14 two-bedroom suites, 10 one-bedroom suites and 17 two-bedroom semi-suites.

The main floor houses a large lobby/lounge area complete with kitchen space, study space and social space. The first floor has a small conference room that can be used by staff as well as students for small group study sessions.

The second and third floor both have smaller public lounges that offer kitchen amenities and a social gathering space. There is a small study room on each of these floors for study sessions.

Six small study coves will be scattered throughout the facility.



2 bed unit



residence hall coordinator



4 bed (bunk beds) unit with living



4 bed (bunk beds) unit

FIRST FLOOR LOUNGE



COMMON READ BOOK ANNOUNCED FOR 2016-17



THE NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY Common Read Committee chose "Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson as the university's common read for the 2016-17 academic year.

Author Bryan Stevenson has dedicated his legal practice to defending the poor and the wrongly condemned. By the time his book published in 2014, Stevenson and attorneys working for the organization he established, Equal Justice Initiative (EJI), had won relief

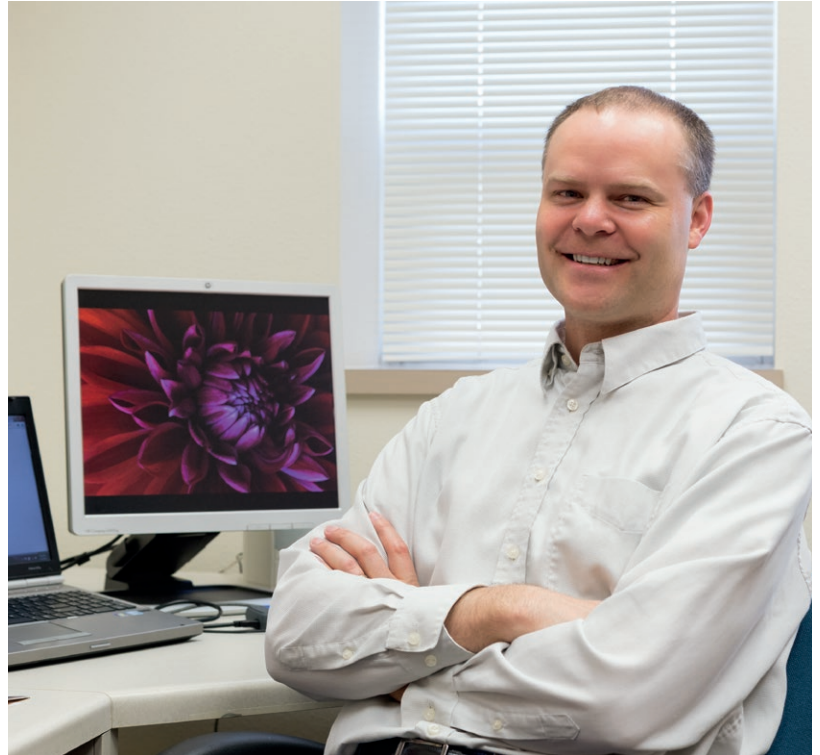
(by overturning convictions or receiving new trials or sentencing hearings) for 100 death row inmates in Alabama alone.

Mr. Anthony Ray Hinton, who spent 30 years in solitary confinement on Alabama's death row for two robbery-murders he did not commit and who was freed in 2015 through the work of Stevenson, will deliver the NSU Common Read Lecture on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 7:30 p.m. in Johnson Fine Arts Center Theater. Admission is free.

Q&A

Greg Francom

Assistant Professor of E-Learning



Hometown: Provo, Utah

Family: Misty (my better half), Sabrina (my 11-year-old sunshine), Clara (my 9-year-old sweetheart), Jacob (the 6-year-old handsome boy), and Katherine (our little princess, 3)

Title and involvement at NSU:

Assistant Professor of E-Learning – I teach classes about distance learning and educational technology, and prepare teachers to integrate technology into learning activities.

Q. How long have you worked at NSU?

A. I have worked at NSU since 2011.

Q. What brought you to Northern?

A. I was living in Georgia and was looking for work opportunities that would be closer to my home in Utah, but would also provide me with great opportunities to make a difference. I found that here.

Q. What is the best part of your job?

A. The students. I like to present new ideas, concepts and technologies in ways that help students learn and grow. I like the first day of the semester and when I start joking with them and they don't know if I am joking or not.

Q. What is your favorite class to teach and why?

A. ELRN 385 - Educational Technology and Distance Teaching. I get to help prepare teachers to be successful in their classrooms. There is no work that is more important for our future.

Q. What is the best career advice you have ever received?

A. Find something that you like to do, but also find something that you can do to make a difference.

Q. What advice would you like to share with students?

A. Learning is hard. It's supposed to be that way. So it's okay if you don't have the right answer. Don't be embarrassed or silent just because you don't know. Think about it, try to figure it out on your own, but if you can't then don't be too shy to say you don't know.

Q. Are you involved with any organizations outside of work you want to mention?

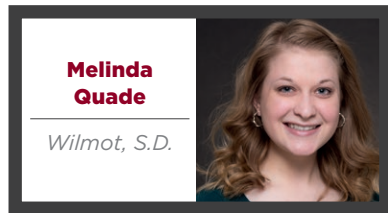
A. I currently serve as bishop of our local congregation in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons), so that keeps me busy on weekends. I work to prepare church services on Sunday and help out people who are struggling. I am also involved with various professional organizations within K-12 education and the educational technology field.

Q. Do you have any hobbies you want to mention?

A. I play guitar and volleyball, not at the same time.

Public history alive at NSU

Northern graduates experiencing history inside and outside of the classroom



MELINDA QUADE remembers her father, a reenactor, bringing artifacts into her high

school classroom dressed in historic clothing – sometimes he'd even wear a wool uniform in June.

Now as a graduate of Northern State University's Public History program, Quade is the one who will be bringing history to life for her students.

"Everybody likes to experience that history for themselves, because that's how they actually learn," said Quade, who plans to become a high school history teacher.

For students like Quade, public history is alive and thriving at NSU. Northern was the first university

in South Dakota to start a public history program, said Dr. David Grettler, professor of history. Since 2010, approximately 110

students from seven colleges and universities across South Dakota and Iowa have taken public history classes at NSU.

The program was approved as a certificate in 2010. Last year, NSU added a public history minor. Courses are offered online and core courses include HIST 240: Introduction to Public History, HIST 483: Museums and Archives, and HIST 481: Material Culture Studies. NSU is one of only 11 institutions in the country to teach material culture at the undergraduate level, Grettler said.

Public history is history done for, and with, the public. It includes everything from museums and archives to the History Channel and designing costumes for a historical movie. Traditionally, public history has been described as "history done outside

of the classroom." But Grettler said the aim is now to bring the public – all audiences – back into the classroom. That's why the program goes so well with education degrees.

Grettler pointed out that the number of museums in the country has now passed the number of Starbucks and McDonald's restaurants. So NSU's public history program has the combined benefit of being a growing field with a real demand for workers, as well as an area of student interest. And it has allowed Grettler to delve back into his own history. He got his start as a public historian working in museums, archives and archaeology.

"I forgot how much fun it is to talk about museums and archives and archaeology," he said.

Quade, a Wilmot native, is one of five students who earned their public history certificate this May. She graduated in May with a degree in history education as well as a public history certificate. Her father, Michael Quade, is a blacksmith who started re-enacting at Fort Sisseton State Historic Park in the 1980s. Growing up, Quade loved getting dressed up and being involved with it. She and her father are very close because of their shared love of history.

"I'm the big history geek in the family," she said.

While at NSU, Quade did an internship at Fort Sisseton that turned into a job as an archivist. Her duties included upkeep of artifacts, leading tours and putting together exhibits such as the fort's 150th anniversary exhibit. Perhaps her biggest project was helping with restoration of the massive Garrison Flag – the last flag flown at the fort before it closed June 3, 1889.

While Quade said she'll miss the behind-the-scenes work at the fort, now she can bring that experience into the classroom. Now, she might be the one dressing up to teach her students about history. She has items such as wool coats and hoop skirts, which students can try on and see how heavy they are.

"Dancing in a hoop skirt is not as easy as it looks," she said.

"Everybody likes to experience that history for themselves, because that's how they actually learn."

GRADUATE

NSU LIBRARY CREATING CULTURAL HERITAGE CENTER

Northern is also creating public history through a historical project taking shape on campus: the Beulah Williams Library's Germans from Russia Cultural Heritage Center.

Grettler, NSU Library Director Robert Russell,

Interim Dean of Fine Arts Dr. William Wieland, and area resident Gary Jerke and his wife, Jan, are creating a regional history center that will include artifacts and oral history. For more information, call 605-626-7770.

FAREWELL



DR. JAMES SMITH, who began as NSU's 16th president in 2009, has left Northern to become president at Eastern Michigan University.

THE NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY community extends best wishes to Smith and his wife, Dr. Connie Ruhl-Smith, NSU director of special initiatives and director of international programs!



"Working with President Smith has been a very enjoyable and rewarding experience. He is intelligent and thoughtful, has a great sense of humor and is extremely hard-working. His enthusiasm is infectious and his love for NSU is visible in so many ways. He's been dedicated to finding solutions and generating new ideas in order to make NSU an even better university."



VERONICA PAULSON
Vice President of Finance and Administration



"I still remember my first week of school here, **President Smith saw me walking toward him and from a distance, he said, 'Hey Torri, how are you?' and we stopped and talked for a bit.** At that moment I knew this was the place to be!"



TORRI BARRETT
Nassau, Bahamas



DR. ALAN LAFAVE
Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

"It has been an absolute pleasure working with Dr. Smith. His energy and passion have been infused across our campus, and his dedication to excellence is unmatched. He has been an outstanding and inspirational leader for Northern and a tremendous role model. He truly cares about student success and staying on the forefront of higher education issues."



TODD JORDRE
President and CEO, NSU Foundation

"Jim and Connie were involved with the NSU Foundation and alumni events from day one. Actually, they traveled to Florida for an event before they were officially employed by NSU. Having a husband-wife team who attend events, host events and understand the importance of friend and fundraising is vital to the success of any campus."



INTERNSHIPS INVALUABLE FOR NSU STUDENTS

Internships take Northern State University students to locations near and far – from local businesses, to the South Dakota Capitol Building, to a city across the globe.

LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIPS

Four Northern State University students got a behind-the-scenes look at the political process in South Dakota this spring by interning at the South Dakota State Capitol in Pierre during the legislative session.

JORDAN ABU-SIRRIYA

Aberdeen

Senior political science and communication studies double major with a history minor

“The Pierre Legislative Internship developed a number of crucial skills in me. I became more meticulous with my work product and enhanced my communication skills because of the constant interactions.”

THEA RAVE

Baltic

Senior business management major

“Although I had a good understanding of the legislative process, **I am gaining a deeper understanding of the process and the inner workings of state government.** I also really enjoy getting to know people.”

MICHAEL SCHLIEWE

Vesta, Minn.

Junior political science and communication studies major with a minor in accounting

“The best part of my internship was simply just seeing the legislative process in action. It was a wonderful experience and gave me a better appreciation for the process and those who make our laws.”

ALEXIS WARD

Aberdeen

Senior business marketing and management double major, with an international business studies minor

“Besides educating me on what exactly my government does, which would be beneficial to anyone going into business, this experience has and will continue to be a great networking opportunity. **I’ve met so many people from across the state, and these people have the opportunity to connect me with further individuals – making my network web ever growing.**”

FOR ALL STUDENTS, THESE INTERNSHIPS LEAD TO BENEFITS INCLUDING NETWORKING AND INVALUABLE CAREER EXPERIENCES. BELOW, STUDENTS DISCUSS WHAT THEY'VE LEARNED AND ENJOYED.



TERRELLE WALKER



KAYLA PERRION



AMANDA CLEMEN

BUSINESS INTERNSHIPS

NSU School of Business students have been meeting new people and making career connections through their internships with local businesses this spring.

AMANDA CLEMEN

Ipswich

Sophomore business management major

Internship location: Titan Machinery in Aberdeen

“Meeting so many new and interesting people has been a great experience. My internship is perfect for someone who wants to work in the agricultural business field. I have made connections with farmers who hopefully I will do business with in the future. It has all been an incredible opportunity.”

LAUREN DEADRICK

Waconia, Minn.

Senior marketing major

Internship location: Online social media marketing for local thrift stores Buzy Kids, What Women Love and Urban

“It has helped me to realize what I do enjoy about social media marketing, and what I don’t enjoy quite as much. It is a very demanding aspect of marketing itself, and I think it would be an interesting career to go into.”

TERRELLE WALKER

Pierre

Senior management major

Internship location: Legacy Management (MyPlace of America Hotels)

“The best part of my experience so far is being able to network with corporate, learn general manager functions, and learn the hospitality experience.”

KAYLA PERRION

Ipswich

Senior business management major with minors in accounting and banking and financial services

Internship location: Aberdeen Development Corporation

“One of the best parts of my internship this far has been making connections with co-workers and others throughout the

community. I enjoy doing something different every day and getting the chance to use my creativity. I am grateful I was given this opportunity and enjoy going to work here each day.”

FRENCH INTERNSHIP

One NSU student is learning what it’s like to work on a marketing team for a French company – and also learning what it’s like to live overseas.

ERYN YANCY

Eden Prairie, Minn.

Fifth-year senior international business major

Internship location: Socomore, an aeronautic chemical company based in Vannes, France

“The best part of my experience, so far, has been living alone in a different country and learning how to adapt to their customs. I enjoy what I do at Socomore, but the skills

I learn at work are much less exciting to me than what I learn daily just being immersed in French culture. I love walking into work every day and ‘faisais la bises’ (giving two cheek kisses) to each of my co-workers, a very normal greeting in France. I think it’s invaluable to learn how to adapt and be comfortable living and working in a different place.”



SPRING ATHLETICS

RECAP

The 2015-16 academic year continued for the Northern State Athletic Department with success both on and off the field of play. In the classroom, the Wolves recorded their 18th and 19th consecutive semester with a GPA above 3.0 and 19th and 20th straight semester with a department cumulative GPA above the same mark.

In addition, the NSU student-athletes set a record high 3.34 cumulative GPA with 269 total students above a 3.0. "Our student-athletes continue to perform at unprecedented levels of excellence in the classroom," said Director of Athletics Josh Moon. "For our 380+ student-athletes to record an all-time semester high average GPA of 3.34 is outstanding. We are so proud to have so many high achieving student-athletes that call NSU home." Seniors Kelsey Chambers and Devin Olson were honored with the Hildred Wolfe and Clark Swisher outstanding athlete awards at the annual Maroon Tie Banquet on April 12. Spring sports geared up with school records falling in track and field and hot hitting streaks in baseball and softball.

SWIMMING

The Northern State University swim team competed in its final season as a member of the NSISC, as it will join the NSIC in the 2016-17 academic year. The NSU women raced to school records in the 50 freestyle (Kayla Sproles - 24.22), the 400 freestyle relay (Kayla Sproles, Katelyn Rhodes, Eliza Jacob, and Cassandra Maillet - 3:38.45), and the 800 freestyle relay (Kayla Sproles, Katelyn Rhodes, Eliza Jacob, and Ashley Dunn - 7:56.66) from the conference championships. NSU will add 10 new faces in 2016-17 as the Wolves will compete against Augustana University, U-Mary, MSU Moorhead, Minnesota State, Sioux Falls and St. Cloud State as a member of the NSIC.

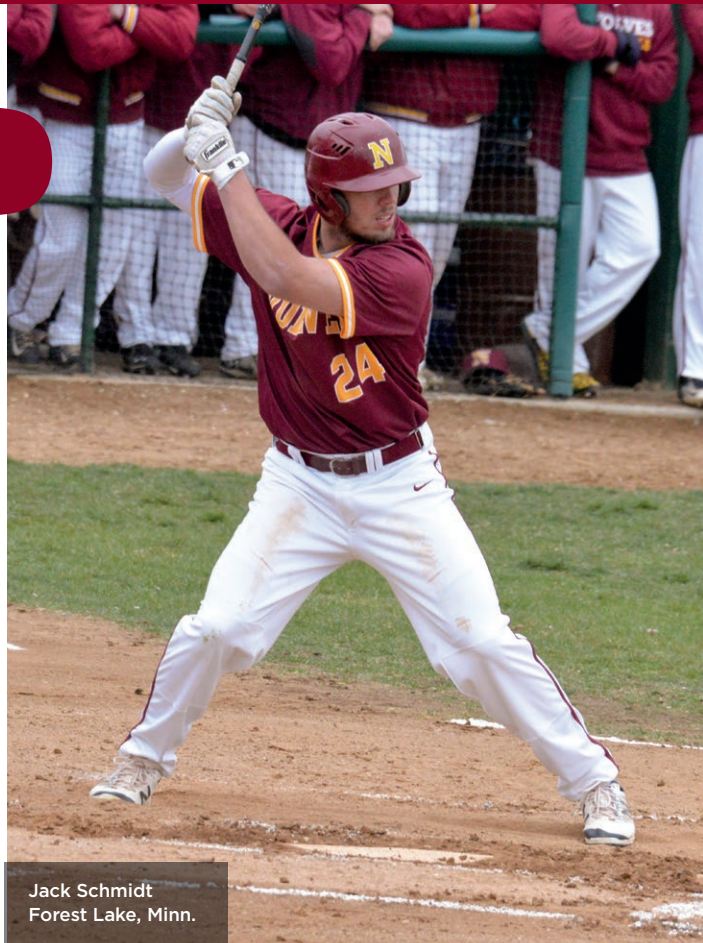
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The Northern State University women's basketball team finished 2015-16 with their third straight 20-plus win season, NSIC North Division crown, and NCAA Regional appearance under long time head coach Curt Fredrickson. The Wolves finished the season 23-8 overall and 17-5 in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. Seniors Lauren Deadrick and Devon Brecke found themselves in new roles on the

team, while sophomore Jill Conrad became known as the team's spark plug. Conrad notched All-NSIC second team honors for the Wolves after leading the team in scoring, averaging 13.5 points per game. Fredrickson rounded out his 37th season with the Wolves tallying his 796th career victory and a fourth place finish in the NSIC standings.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The Northern State University men's basketball rounded out 2015-16 with a record of 18-12 overall and 13-9 in Northern Sun Conference play. The Wolves headed into the annual NSU "I Hate Winter" weekend with a 12-10 record overall and 8-8 record in the NSIC. NSU faced off against some steep competition in the No. 1 ranked and now National Champion Augustana Vikings. The Wolves stunned the Vikings 90-81 in front of nearly 6,000 of the nation's best fans. The Wolves completed the "I Hate Winter" sweep defeating Wayne State 86-74 in the Saturday contest, while also earning head coach Paul Sather his 100th career victory as the head coach of the Wolves. Skye Warwick capped off a solid four-year career with the Wolves, sitting 23rd all-time on the NSU career scoring list with



Jack Schmidt
Forest Lake, Minn.



Hanneke Oosterwegel
Diepenveen, Netherlands



Kelsey Gale
St. Francis, Minn.

1,256 points. Warwick and junior Darin Peterka were honored with All-NSIC second team nods. In early April, the NSU men's basketball program welcomed its newest assistant coach, as Sundance Wicks ('04)

returned to the Northern sidelines. Wicks was a decorated player for the Wolves from 1999-03, leading the team to two NSIC Titles and finishing his career with 1,174 points, which currently ranks 29th all-time.



Sasha Hovind
Stirum, N.D.



Breann Jackson
Wheatland, Wyo.



Joe Gomez
Graham, Wash.

WRESTLING

The Northern State University wrestling program concluded the 2015-16 season at the NCAA National Championships with NCAA Runner-up and 2-time NCAA All-American Joe Gomez. Juniors Tyler Stenberg and Joe Gomez, as well as sophomore Blake Perryman advanced to the second day of the NCAA Super Region tournament. Stenberg and Perryman fought in true fourth matches to advance to the NCAA National Championships; however, were unable to garner victories. Gomez began his exciting post-season run going a perfect 4-0 to earn his

first NCAA Super Region III Title. The Wolves 197-pounder battled from the NCAA National Championships, reaching the title match after a thrilling sudden death victory over Jake Cramer of Tiffin. Gomez faced off against 2-time defending national champion Romero Cotton, of Nebraska Kearney, in the championship bout and ultimately fell 4-1. Gomez also was named a finalist for the NCAA Elite 90 Award landing in the top-3 competitors in cumulative GPA at the Championships. The junior is the seventh national runner-up in program history and finished with a 30-4 record.

INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

The Northern State University track and field program capped off the 2015-16 indoor season with a pair of competitors heading to the NCAA National Indoor Championships. Sasha Hovind and Breann Jackson represented NSU in the 5000m run and the weight throw. It was the second straight national indoor meet appearance by Jackson and first for Hovind. Jackson opened competition for the Wolves, finishing fifth overall with an 18.87m mark. The senior earned her second straight NCAA All-American honor and recorded her highest NCAA finish of her career. Northern then headed to the track as Sasha Hovind was on the hunt for her fifth All-American honor of her career (cross country/track and field). Hovind crushed the Northern State school record, finishing in 16:31.40 to finish eighth overall. She was just 22.3 seconds behind the leader and was the top NSIC finisher in the event.

SOFTBALL

The Northern State University softball team opened the 2016 season from the Rochester Dome with a 3-1 record against some difficult regional opponents. Senior Kelsey Gale opened the season with NSIC Player of the Week honors. Gale went 7-for-14 with two homeruns, six runs scored, two doubles, and three RBI. The middle infielder continued to be an important statistical leader throughout the season with a .345 average and team-leading 57 hits. With highs and lows throughout the spring season, the Wolves edged into the NSIC Tournament as the ninth seed, going 3-1 in the final weekend of regular season action. Highlights for the Wolves were a weekend home sweep of Concordia-St. Paul and the NSIC regular season champions, Minnesota State, on possibly the windiest days in NSU softball history. NSU finished the regular season with a 24-30 record overall and 14-16 record in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference. Seniors Kelsey Gale and Macey

Engel were named to the All-NSIC second and gold glove teams.

BASEBALL

The Wolves opened the year with a 7-5 record from the Tucson Invitational. Matt Stubbs and Lucas Lorenz earned back-to-back NSIC Player of the Week honors for NSU after opening the season with monster weeks at the plate. Northern returned home and faced some bumps in the road; however, battled back for a berth in the NSIC Tournament in St. Cloud. Northern landed four on the All-NSIC lists in Nick Hoffard (Newcomer of the Year/1st Team), Jack Schmidt (1st Team), Matt Stubbs (2nd Team), and Colton Boucher (Gold Glove). Jack Schmidt added to the post-season honors for the Wolves with three 2nd Team All-Region nods from the NCBWA, D2CCA, and ABCA, as he broke the single season hits record and produced his second straight season hitting above .400. A total of 11 Wolves will hit the diamond this summer in leagues across the country.

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

The Northern State University track and field team smoothly transitioned into the outdoor season in early April. In the first month of the season, the Wolves knocked down multiple school records, as well as numerous event victories. Hanneke Oosterwegel tallied an impressive school record in the 400m hurdles, finishing with a time of 1:01.37 from the earlier season meet in California. Lucas Osowski notched a school record in the hammer throw. The senior twice broke the school record with a personal best toss of 53.44m. Sasha Hovind broke both the 5,000m run and 10,000m run records in 2016 with times of 16:31.19 and 34:59.59 respectively. Hovind, as well as Dakotah Bullen and Breann Jackson, qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships. Hovind notched her sixth and seventh All-American honors finishing fourth in the 10,000m run and ninth in the 5,000m run.

ALUMNI HIGHLIGHT

NSU alumna has successful career with U.S. Public Health Service

Growing up in a small, rural community in South Dakota, Dr. Rochelle Nolte had big dreams. She also had an unparalleled sense of compassion and drive, and the desire to make a difference, which is what attracted her to Northern State University.

Today, Nolte is at the pinnacle of a highly successful career as a board certified physician. She attributes that life transformation to NSU and the top-notch professors who wouldn't settle for anything less than her full potential.

"My experiences with the Public Health Service have been beyond anything I ever could have dreamed up for myself. I never could have imagined such a great career," she said. "I have Northern to thank for that."

Nolte attended NSU from 1988 to 1992. She was active in 4-H, Cadet Club, and ROTC. She was named the ROTC Cadet of the Year for two consecutive years and was awarded the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal and National Defense Service Medal. Her experiences with ROTC and NSU helped her find her calling in the medical field, and before graduation she knew she wanted to work for the U.S. Public Health Service.

She graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in biology and environmental science. Hoping to work as a physician on the front lines of America's public health, she applied and was accepted to the esteemed military medical school Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS).

Nolte admits that at first she was intimidated since many of her classmates had graduated from the most prestigious institutions in the nation. But, she said, Northern State University gave her every opportunity to be successful.

Northern professors – including Dr. Lynn Hodgson, Dr. Sam Gingrich, and many others – provided advice, encouragement and personal

attention that increased her confidence level and challenged her to do her best in whatever she was doing.

She also remembers being required to take classes in a wide variety of disciplines and said at that time, she didn't realize how they would relate to her future. She now credits her well-rounded education to the appreciation and passion she has for many subjects, including world history and circuit training, which allowed her to use her sports medicine knowledge to treat patients, as well as join them in the gym.

Nolte officially became a doctor in 1996, completing her post-graduate medical training at Dewitt Army Hospital and Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center. Based on her superior residency performance, Nolte was hand-selected as the outstanding family medicine resident and chief resident. Then, she completed a respected fellowship in sport medicine at USUHS, which fueled her passion for the field.

While working to continue her education she also worked as a member of the disaster medical assistance team, a group of professional medical personnel that provide rapid-response medical care or casualty decontamination during a terrorist attack, natural disaster or other national emergencies. Her missions included serving as an emergency responder in two hurricanes, the World Trade Center attacks, the Brentwood Post Office attacks involving airborne anthrax, the Pentagon, the Salt Lake City Olympics,



Northern State University alumna Dr. Rochelle Nolte checks the vitals of a newborn following an emergency delivery on a ship. (Photo courtesy of U.S. Coast Guard)

presidential inaugurations and events, and the Kosovo Refugee Crisis. Nolte's distinguished service was recognized by the United States military with the PHS Commendation Medal, Special Assignment Award, Presidential Unit Citation, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Crisis Response Service Award, and the Army Achievement Medal.

Nolte's experience also includes serving with the U.S. Coast Guard in various roles. While there, she was named the PHS Clinical Physician of the Year. Now at the Bureau of Prisons in San Diego, Calif., she plays a critical role in caring for patients with complex medical and psychiatric problems. She continues to practice Sports Medicine, taking care of Recruits at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego for a couple of mornings each month.

Today, Nolte has authored 16 publications, has spoken at over 30 conferences and workshops, and is a member of numerous medical associations. In her spare time, she volunteers as the team physician for the DC Divas Women's Football Team and enjoys spending time with her family.

Nolte is married with two daughters and is looking forward to bringing them back to South Dakota for their first Gypsy Day.

--By Kelli Krause

2016

INDUCTEES

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI



Retired Judge **SANDRA COLEMAN** began her life-long mission helping the disadvantaged at NSU. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Sociology with a minor in Criminology in 1978, magna cum laude. During her time at Northern, she was involved with many campus and community activities and volunteer outreach. She co-founded the first resource center for women in Aberdeen that focused on counseling, job skills, and providing a safe shelter for abused women. She also co-founded the Non-Traditional Student organization on campus for older and/or married students. As a student, Judge Coleman originated a juvenile diversion program with the city police of Aberdeen and Northern students that provided mentors to area youth to divert them out of the criminal justice system.

After graduating law school, Judge Coleman began her legal career with the U.S. Dept. of Justice in the prestigious U.S. Attorney General's Honors Graduate Program. She spent the majority of her professional career in the United States Justice Dept. first as a trial attorney with the Civil Rights Division then as a high level government executive in USDOJ. Subsequently, she served as a White House Attorney/Advisor to former President Clinton. In 1997, she was appointed as a Federal Immigration Judge.

After retiring from the bench, the Seneca native is still heavily involved in politics and advocacy in Florida. She has studied art with renowned artists all over the world and adds an award-winning artist to her long list of personal and career accomplishments. She lives in South Florida with her husband, Paul Hancock, an attorney with the international law firm of K&L Gates LLP. They have one daughter and a granddaughter.

KRETCHMAN COACHING AWARD



BILL FRITZ earned a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education in 1960 with a minor in biology. The honor will be given posthumously, as Fritz passed away on May 28, 2015.

Fritz retired from Rowan College in New Jersey in June 2014 after coaching for 43 years. Fritz had been the men's cross country head coach there since 1971. He also guided the women's program from 1986 to 2006. Under Fritz, the men's team won 19 New Jersey Athletic Conference Championships. The men qualified for the national championship 19 times.

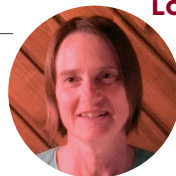
In 1994, Fritz took over as head coach for the track and field programs. The men's team won four consecutive NJAC Championships (1994-97) and finished tied for eighth at the 1997 NCAA Championships. The Prof men claimed 23 NJAC titles. For men's track and field, Fritz guided 43 Division III outdoor champions and 10 Division III indoor champions. Four women won national titles. Fritz has coached more than 265 All-Americans, including men and women, indoor and outdoor.

2016 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



EDDIE CLARK earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from NSU in 1989. As a student at NSU, Clark wrestled from 1984 to 1988. He recorded over 100 career wins, was an NSIC Champion, a four-year letterman and a four-year starter at 134 pounds. He was also an NAIA All-American at 134 pounds and received the Clark Swisher Outstanding Male Athlete Award

in 1988. He is a physical education teacher and head wrestling coach at Star Valley High School in Afton, Wyo. Eddie has coached seven state championship teams and has also been named State Coach of the Year seven times. He was the 2003 Region 7 National Wrestling Coaches Association Coach of the Year and the 2011 NHSACA National Wrestling Coach of the Year. His career dual record is 362-59-1. He resides in Afton, Wyo., with his wife, Kristi, and two sons, Trevor and Trent.



LORI (BURKHARDT) HARTMAN earned a Bachelor of Science in Recreation and Business in 1981. At Northern, Hartman participated in basketball, softball, intramural volleyball and track. In basketball, Hartman recorded 1,434 points, 772 rebounds and was a 76 percent free-throw shooter. Her single season school records in 1980-81 included: most points (543), most field goals (234) and most free throws (75). Hartman was the career leading scorer upon

graduation. In 1981, Hartman was all-tournament first team at the NAIA Women's National Basketball Tournament; "Exponent" Player of the Year (1980-1981); and American Women's Sports Foundation Division II honorable mention All-American. After graduation, Hartman was a member of state championship women's softball teams, superintendent of recreation in Yankton, and a certified day care instructor. She retired in 2010 and resides in Hortonville, Wis., with her husband, Bill. They have three children: Tim, Kara and Brett; and three grandchildren: Sully, Mira and Liesel.



JEFF "MILO" WEPKING earned a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education Industrial Arts with Physical Education in 1976. As a student at NSU, Wepking played basketball for four years and accumulated 1,261 points and 1,076 rebounds individually. In 1994, Wepking was inducted into the South Dakota Amateur Basketball Hall of Fame, and in 2011, he was inducted into the

Sioux Falls Washington High School Athletic Hall of Fame. In 2007, 2009, 2010 and 2011, Wepking was chosen as the Region 7 Assistant High School Basketball Coach of the Year while coaching in Avon. Wepking was awarded the South Dakota State Technology Program of the Year in 2013 and 2015. Wepking retired in June 2015 after 39 years of teaching and 30 plus years of coaching. He resides in Avon, S.D., with his wife, Monica. They have three children: Jonathan, Jennifer and Nikki.



MEMORY JOHANSEN, a Tolstoy, S.D., native, graduated Magna Cum Laude from NSU in 2001, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a minor in athletic training. Johansen is one of 12 women's basketball players to record over 1,300 points and over 600 rebounds. She is among the leaders in career assists, with 400. She was named to the NSIC All-Conference team her senior year.

Johansen received a Master of Science in Physical Therapy from Des Moines University in 2003. In 2012, "The Date Book" awarded her Best Physical Therapist in the Des Moines Area. In 2014, Johansen started her own clinic, Maximum Physical Therapy, in Adel, Iowa. Johansen has run marathons in Des Moines and San Francisco and participated in Waukee Crossfit Gym competitions. She lives in Clive, Iowa, with her children: Samantha, 10, and Tate, 8. Her favorite activity is coaching and watching them play sports.

CELEBRATIONS

1944 Adeline Zelmer celebrated her 90th birthday on Jan. 6, 2016.

1945 Rose (Elsen) Moerke celebrated her 90th birthday on May 28, 2016.

1948 Kathryn (Kahoe) Compton of Derby, Kan., celebrated her 90th birthday on Jan. 11, 2016.

1949 Earl Grandpre celebrated his 90th birthday on Jan. 30, 2016.

1957 Natalie (Mallay) Lenihan celebrated her 95th birthday on June 18, 2016.

1958 Dale Fredrickson and Leann (Jones) Fredrickson '65 celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with friends and family.

1959 Merle Klein celebrated his 80th birthday on Nov. 23, 2015.

1960 Karen (Knecht) Siefkes celebrated her 75th birthday on Jan. 9, 2016.

Stacy Fischer celebrated his 80th birthday on Feb. 24, 2016.

1961 Lawrence "Larry" Fischbach celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with his wife, Peggy, on April 28, 2016.

1963 Sharron Griffith celebrated her 80th birthday on April 19, 2016.

1965 Earl Martell and his wife, June, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

1966 Sheila (Sauer) Rook celebrated 50 years of marriage with her husband, Russell, on March 12, 2016.

Lyle Stabbe and Linda celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

1970 Robert Milstead and Una celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Nov. 28, 2015.

1971/1976 Arlene (Torguson) Anderson celebrated her 90th birthday on Dec. 11, 2015.

1971/1975 Brian Liedtke and Linda will celebrate their first wedding anniversary on Nov. 7, 2016. The couple is currently residing in Golden Valley, Minn.

1972 Vera (Grosz) Lilly celebrated her 90th birthday on Feb. 6, 2016.

1972/1976 Robert Luce and Wilma celebrated 50 years of marriage on Sept. 26, 2016.

1972 Shirley (Nelson) Ochsner celebrated her 80th birthday on April 3, 2016.

1973 Sandra (Hermann) Bistodeau celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary to her husband, Harlan, on March 5, 2016.

Damon Milner and his wife, Mary, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Oct. 25, 2015.

Tim Renelt and Joan relocated to 1216 Settlers Creek Place, Rapid City, S.D.

1982 Randy Lechner celebrated his 60th birthday with friends and family on Jan. 30, 2016, in Aberdeen, S.D.

1984 Bonnie (McNeil) Hicks celebrated her 90th birthday on April 9, 2016.

1985 Donna (Hoffman) Wilson celebrated her 80th birthday on Feb. 19, 2016.

1986 Randy Houdek and Debra celebrated 30 years of marriage on March 1, 2016.

1990 Bryan Schmidt married **Shannon (Heiser) Schmidt '92**.

1991 Helen (German) Lahammer and her husband, Laverne, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Jan. 28, 2016.

1992 Stacy (Johnson) Bauer and Bryan celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on May 25, 2016.

1994 Chad Vetter and his wife, Angie, welcomed a son, Creighton Steven Vetter, into the world on April 1, 2016.

1999 Jason Forrest married Jamie Osborne '03.

Lee Keller and Christine welcomed a baby boy, Silas Lee Keller, on Dec. 29, 2015.

2000 Jon Kaufman celebrated his 40th birthday on Dec. 8, 2015.

2001 Brandon Christiansen and Rebecca (Stoller) Christiansen '01 are thrilled to announce the birth of daughter, Abigail Kathryn, born Feb. 5, 2016.

2004 Scott Eisenbeisz and Sarah are the proud parents of daughter, Emma Mary Eisenbeisz, born on April 23, 2016.

2005 Carisa (Kirschenmann) Hopfinger and Scott were married on July 12, 2014. The couple currently resides in Aberdeen, S.D.

2007 Barbara Hegerfeld and her husband, Jackson, have two

sons and are expecting a third child. Barbara received her MBA from University of Sioux Falls in spring 2015.

Christine Wallace and Josh celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary this past February.

Eliot Lucas married **Nicole (Christiansen) Lucas '15** on April 16, 2016.

2008 Jenna (Fischer) Berreth and her husband, Brandon, will celebrate their first anniversary on Sept. 12, 2016.

Stephanie (Schuelke) Folk with husband **Christopher Folk '08** welcomed their second child, Colsen, into the world on January 9, 2016. Their first child, Shayla, was born on April 24, 2014.

Bryar Johnson and wife, Cameron, welcomed a son, Brooks Benjamin Johnson, on Jan. 17, 2016.

Abby (Kroupa) Murano married Joel in July 2016 in Aberdeen, S.D.

2008/2011 Cassandra (Mooney) Johnson married Andrew Johnson '09, '12 on Nov. 24, 2012.

2009 Jenny (Baus) Steen and husband **Trevor Steen '09** welcomed a daughter named Emery into the world on April 27, 2015.

2010 Katie (Vandenbos) Opp and husband **Jared Opp '10** are the proud parents of their second child, Bria Lee Opp, born on April 10, 2016.

Jennifer Dolejsi is engaged to marry Dale Thiel on Aug. 6, 2016 in Aberdeen, S.D. The couple is planning to move to Milbank, S.D., after they are wed.

2011 Brianna (Woods) Geary and Zachary were married on June 4, 2016, in Groton, S.D.

2012 Lennon Elizabeth Bittner was welcomed into the world on March 20, 2016, by her loving parents, **Lauren (Weaver) Bittner '12** and **Nick Bittner '13**.

Brittany Huback welcomed a son, Fynn Charles Johnson, on March 26, 2016.

Meghan (Mehlhoff) Sell married Daren on April 2, 2016.

2013 Brady Haar married Lexy (Bardondeau) on Sept. 5, 2015, in Aberdeen.

Tyler Heiser, of Aberdeen, married Kelsie (Wahl) Heiser.

Nichole (Anderson) Markworth married Gary of Jackson, Neb. The

wedding took place in Willmar, Minn., on June 18, 2016.

2014 Kara (Alm) Miller married Curtis Miller '13 on July 18, 2015, in Deadwood, S.D.

Abby (Klumb) Hoselton and Paul celebrated their first wedding anniversary on Aug. 8, 2015.

2016 Calvin Cramer and **Katie Wegleitner '16** are engaged to be married on Sept. 3, 2016, in Aberdeen, S.D.

CLASS NOTES

1968 Monty Nereim, a first-time author, published "Undiagnosed, Unscrupulous and Unbeatable: The Paul Haber Story."

1969 Dr. Michael Bina, Ed.D., president of the Maryland School for the Blind, was named a 2016 winner of the Migel Medal, the highest honor in the blindness field. He has served as president of the Maryland School for the Blind since 2008, where he is responsible for statewide programs that serve 56 percent of Maryland students who are blind or visually impaired.

1973 Tim Renelt retired from Avera St. Luke's Hospital in October 2014.

1977 Bob Olson, former NSU men's basketball coach and athletic director, was inducted into the NSIC Hall of Fame.

1987 Col. Daniel Hubbard returned home from deployment in time to watch his daughter, **Haley Hubbard '16**, receive her diploma at NSU's Spring Commencement.

1998 Timothy Storly, a staff sergeant in the South Dakota Army National Guard's 147th Army Band, was selected as the recipient of the Col. Finley R. Hamilton Military Outstanding Musician Award.

2002 Matt Sevareid opened the Barn Burner Academy for young aspiring basketball players to train at the Reede Barn.

Houston Reed has been hired as the head coach of men's basketball at Chadron State.

Steve Smiley was named the associate head coach of basketball at the University of Northern Colorado.

2006 Abigail Salmon presented at the annual conference for Minnesota Music Educators in February 2016. Currently, she is serving on the board of directors

for the Central Minnesota Band Directors Association.

2007 Kim Beyer is in her 10th year of teaching first grade this fall.

Brendan O'Connor has taken on the role of the head coach at Otero Junior College, where he spent the past nine years working as the assistant.

2008 Christopher Folk has spent the past five years working as the business manager of the Big Stone City School District, and recently he was promoted to the CEO/business manager. His wife, **Stephanie Folk '08**, is working as a graphic designer for Prestige Beverage Group.

2009 Brian Hanegan is working as the Director of Jazz Studies and Athletic Bands at Augustana University in Sioux Falls, S.D., for the 2016-17 school year. He was inducted into the National Honorary Band Sorority in 2016 as an honorary member. Hanegan will graduate from North Dakota State University with a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in 2017.

2012 Michelle Monroe recently completed her Master of Music in Vocal Performance degree from the University of Northern Iowa.

2013 Joe Klipfel, of Fargo, N.D., currently works as a media planner with Flint Group, a full-service marketing and advertising agency.

Christopher Massa signed a contract with Planet Hollywood on the Las Vegas strip.

2014 Chelsea Kerbaugh was the first Northern graduate to receive a Fulbright Scholarship and used the scholarship to visit Vietnam and work as an English teaching assistant. While in Vietnam, Kerbaugh sang the National Anthem for President Barack Obama.

2016 Sam Herauf, a former graduate assistant for NSU Strength and Conditioning, was recently hired as the strength and conditioning coach at Aberdeen Central High School.

Kelsey Chambers will be playing professional volleyball in Germany this fall. The volleyball season begins in September.

IN MEMORIAM

1937 Florence (Carlon) Van Vamp-Tofani, Boise, Idaho, on April 22, 2016.

1940 Eva (Gabriel) Harris, Lorton, Va., on March 9, 2016.

1941 Robert E. Olson, Gilbert, Ariz., on Jan. 11, 2016.

Bert Rystrom, Columbia, S.D., on March 4, 2016.

Margaret (Gabel) Gab, Aberdeen, S.D., on March 22, 2016.

1942 Helen (Moser) Schulz, Mobridge, S.D., on Jan. 31, 2016.

LaVerne Dickey, Aberdeen, S.D., on June 12, 2016.

1943 LaVaun "Bonnie" Marcene Palmer, Mansfield, S.D., on May 10, 2016.

Madonna M. (Wortman) Alley, Isabel, S.D., on May 22, 2016.

1945 Virginia (Thomas) Monroe, Ellendale, N.D., on March 7, 2016.

Evelyn (Prunty) Overas, Roseville, Minn., on Nov. 3, 2015.

1947 Wayne Grunendike, Aberdeen, S.D., on April 16, 2016.

Dean O. Mehlhoff, Aberdeen, S.D., on April 27, 2016.

1948 Amarylis (Miller) Keenan, on Nov. 19, 2015.

G. Verne Luke, Sioux Falls, S.D., on Jan. 11, 2016.

Gail A. (Engelstad) Ulland, Salt Lake City, Utah, on May 10, 2016.

1949 Dolores (Tanner) Benning, Redfield, S.D., on Jan. 16, 2016.

1950 Louise (Knutson) Blank, Roslyn, S.D., on April 3, 2016.

1950/1974 Alice (LaDue) Olson, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 23, 2015.

1952 Evelyn Swedensky, Colorado Springs, Colo., on Oct. 1, 2014.

Voniece (Johnson) Schumacher, Kingwood, Texas, on Nov. 17, 2015.

Virginia (Hunt) Woken, Roslyn, S.D., on Feb. 15, 2016.

Joan (Strader) Hammersmith, Grand Rapids, Mich., on April 2, 2016.

1953 Carol (Miller) Demas, Lamar, Colo., on Oct. 16, 2015.

1954 John David Morgans, Aberdeen, S.D., on May 19, 2016.

Berwyn L. Baird, Frankfort, S.D., on June 4, 2016.

1957 Donald Daly Jr., Aberdeen, S.D., on April 10, 2016.

1958 Calvin Engel, Aberdeen, S.D., on Dec. 20, 2015.

Gene A. Holsing, Aberdeen and formerly of Wecota, S.D., on July 2, 2016.

1958/1961 Ardis (Bessler) Mottle, Minneapolis, Minn., on Dec. 14, 2015.

1958/1962 Esther (Hoeft) Smith, Aberdeen, S.D., on March 18, 2016.

Leroy J. Tuscher, Bethlehem, Pa., on April 15, 2016.

1959 Edward Muckenhirn, Mahanomen, Minn., on Nov. 18, 2015.

1960 Richard Holmberg, Estero, Fla., on Nov. 24, 2015.

1961 Curtis Glaser, Scottsdale, Ariz., on April 22, 2016.

Wayne Weisz, Eden Prairie, Minn., on Jan. 21, 2016.

1962 James 'Jim' Fiedler, Clark, S.D., on Dec. 8, 2015.

Darlene (Naasz) Guthmiller, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 23, 2015.

Paula (Aldous) Howell, Sumter, S.C., on March 31, 2016.

1963 George Spatafore, Tucson, Ariz., on July 8, 2015.

Donald Widstrom, Aberdeen, S.D., on April 21, 2016.

1964 Verna (Ackerman) Tolson, Aberdeen, S.D., on May 21, 2016.

Darrell Johansen, Moorhead, Minn., on May 31, 2016.

Gerald Keeley, Mina, S.D., on March 12, 2016.

James "Jim" Nelson, Rapid City, S.D., on Oct. 28, 2015.

1965 Sally (Feeney) Johnston, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 19, 2015.

Paul Jung Jr., Aberdeen, S.D., on March 18, 2016.

Donovan Twite, De Smet, S.D., on March 7, 2016.

1966 Wanda (Tompkins)

Haugan, Redfield, S.D., on Nov. 23, 2015.

Sylvia Matthews, Webster, S.D., on March 17, 2016.

Dr. Charles McMullen, Brookings, S.D., on Oct. 27, 2015.

1968 Virgil Eisenbeisz, Aberdeen, S.D., on April 6, 2016.

Dana Streitz, Warner, S.D., on June 3, 2016.

1969 Richard Glad, Roslyn, S.D., on May 30, 2016.

Cleo J. James Eddy, Aberdeen, S.D., on June 12, 2016.

Arlene Moncur, on Jan. 30, 2016.

1970 James Dolen, Montevideo, Minn., on Nov. 1, 2015.

Kathleen (Glover) Schweer, Milbank, S.D., on Jan. 14, 2016.

1971/1974 Dennis DeNomme, Tucson, Ariz., on Feb. 24, 2016.

1971 JoAnn (Jurgens) Labbe, Milbank, S.D., on Nov. 21, 2015.

Margaret (Wendt) Wickstrom, Aberdeen, S.D., on Feb. 11, 2016.

Robert 'Bob' Schlinkert, Mobridge, S.D., on Feb. 29, 2016.

1972 Robert 'Bob' Ulrich, Cheyenne, Wyo., on Dec. 10, 2015. **Geraldine 'Gerry' L. Zacher**, Eagle Butte, S.D., on May 4, 2016

Anne M. (Van Den Eykel) Hansen, Gettysburg, S.D., on May 28, 2016.

Mark Dohn, Eureka, S.D., on June 8, 2016.

1977 Connie (Behnke) Johnsen, Aberdeen, S.D., on March 7, 2016.

1979 Peggy Wegehaupt, Aberdeen, S.D., on Feb. 20, 2016.

Lyla (Emery) Nikolas, Aberdeen, S.D., on June 9, 2016.

1980/1988 Jayne (Erdmann) Ewell, Payson, Ariz., on April 16, 2016.

1980/1982 Catherine (Krause) Lindemann, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 15, 2015.

1980 Jane Lynn Nicolaisen, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 2, 2015.

1981 Daniel Brown, Aberdeen, S.D., on Dec. 10, 2015.

1983 Theodore Burgess, Sacramento, Calif., on April 29, 2016.

1985 Kim Clausen, Aberdeen, S.D., on Dec. 1, 2015.

1988/1989 Kenneth L. Thompson, Aberdeen, S.D., on Jan. 29, 2016.

1989 Richard Lehrke, Aberdeen, S.D., on Oct. 29, 2015.

Lois Miller, Aberdeen, S.D., on Feb. 11, 2016.

1993 Bob Berlin, Ramsey, Minn., on Feb. 20, 2016.

2000 James 'Jim' Winterberg, Aberdeen, S.D., on Nov. 26, 2015.

2002 Jeanne L. Enwiller, Aberdeen, S.D., on May 8, 2016

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

ALUMNI EVENTS

NSU Wolves vs. Augustana Vikings

Football Tailgate

Sept. 3, 2016, 11 a.m.

Location TBD

Scholarship Luncheon

Oct. 19, 2016, Noon

*Northern State University Student Center,
Centennial Rooms*

Northern Night

Nov. 19, 2016

Dakota Event Center



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GYPSY DAY CELEBRATION

Community Luncheon

Sept. 29, 2016, 11:30 a.m.

Northern State University Student Center

50 Year Club Luncheon

Sept. 30, 2016, 11:30 a.m.

Northern State University Student Center

Distinguished Alumni/Hall of Fame Banquet

Sept. 30, 2016, 5 p.m.

Dakota Event Center

President's Breakfast

Oct. 1, 2016, 7 a.m.

Beckman Building

Gypsy Day Parade

Oct. 1, 2016, 9 a.m.

Aberdeen Main Street

Alumni Tailgate

Oct. 1, 2016, Noon

Clark Swisher Activities Complex

NSU Football Gypsy Day Game

Oct. 1, 2016, 2:30 p.m.

Clark Swisher Activities Complex

