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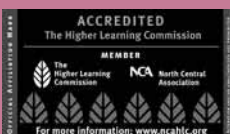
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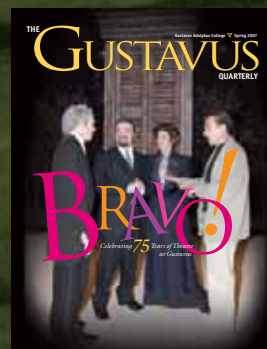
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Crabapple trees bloom above a newly mown lawn on the eastern hillside of the Gustavus campus.  
Photo by Anders Björling '58*

# Engaging the world

Stan Walchhauser '71



It is typical in this space for me to write about good news at Gustavus. It's important for alumni to hear about things like academic successes, special events and celebrations, efforts to advance international education, new college leadership, strategic planning work, and matters of diversity in its many forms here on campus. There is always good news on this campus.

But Gustavus, like all colleges and universities these days, is not without some real challenges. Having recently returned from a three-day meeting with over 300 private college presidents, discussing and debating the issues of the day, I've made a list. Though not a complete list by any means, and not arranged in any particular order of importance, here are my top 10 challenges for institutions like ours over the next decade.

- 1) Managing the relationship between cost and tuition increases, financial aid, and rising student debt.
- 2) Strengthening institutional evaluation and assessment processes for student learning outcomes and the overall student experience.
- 3) Increased political pressures and mandates related to standardization, governmental controls, and oversight.
- 4) Changing student demographics in Minnesota and nationwide.
- 5) Building a more culturally and racially diverse campus environment.
- 6) Establishing clarity of institutional identity and distinctiveness.
- 7) Creating opportunities for, and meeting the challenges of, internationalizing the campus to prepare all students for global citizenship.
- 8) Increasing the investment in improving academic quality while controlling cost escalation.
- 9) Deepening and broadening the revenue base.
- 10) Fostering collaboration and less competition with peer institutions.

Certainly, these challenges can and will be met here at Gustavus. That's why we are doing all the strategic planning now underway. And that's why the new people in leadership positions here are so important, working together with a committed and creative faculty and a dedicated board of trustees to ensure a vital and sustainable Gustavus long into the future.

As I have suggested before, ideas from our alumni about what the College is doing now and what it might do in the future are always welcome. If you wish to contribute suggestions about improving the present or creating the future, let us know. We'll certainly try to keep you informed about progress on these challenges and on other fronts along the way.

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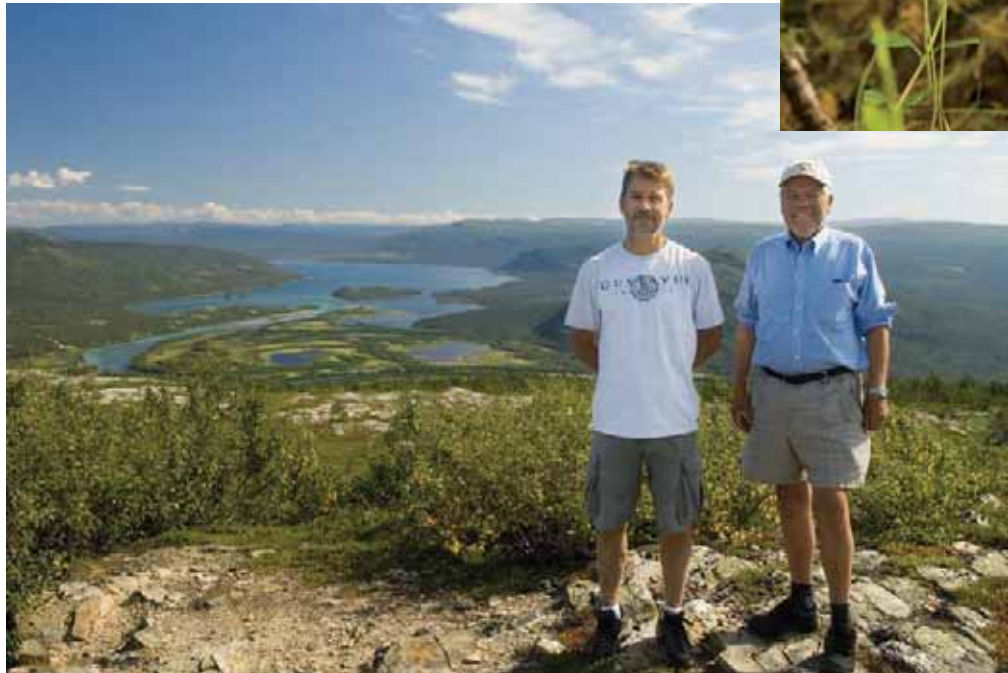
## Linnaeus @ 300

Arboretum plans celebratory events

by Roland Thorstensson

This year is the tercentenary of the birth of Carolus Linnaeus (Karl von Linné; 1707–1778). While internationally most recognized for his work in botany and taxonomy, Linnaeus was also active in other fields, particularly ethnography and ethnobotany (before those terms were coined). He is also remembered for his work with his students—his “apostles”—whom he sent around the globe to map and document God’s creation and bring back a little bit of the outside world to transplant in Sweden. Linnaeus was a man of his time, the Enlightenment, but also a man ahead of his time; he was an assiduous scientist, but also a man prone to take poetic license when describing his own achievements; he was a prolific though sometimes controversial contributor to knowledge, loved by his students, feared and sometimes loathed by his colleagues, ignored by few.

The Linnaeus tercentenary will be commemorated in several countries and in multifarious ways. The University of Uppsala, Sweden, Linnaeus’ academic home for more than four decades, will have an entire Linnaeus year of celebrations. London, where the major



Following in the footsteps of Linnaeus, Roland Thorstensson (left) and Anders Björling stand atop Valleverre Mountain overlooking Kvikkjokk, in Swedish Lapland, where Linnaeus observed alpine flora for the first time.

*Inset: Linnaea borealis, the common Linnaea, also known as the twinflower*



Anders Björling '58

Linnaeus collections are located, will recognize his significance as a botanist. Pennsylvania will highlight the work of Pehr Kalm, the “apostle” whom Linnaeus sent to North America for a three-year visit to gather specimens and document folk life (1748–1751). And Gustavus, whose arboretum carries his name and whose *Twinflower* (the Arboretum newsletter) reflects his spirit, will have several events to honor the man internationally best known for his naming of plants and animals. He

named humans, too. He classified us as *Homo sapiens*. With characteristic self-assertion, he named himself “Prince of Botany.”

Gustavus began its Linnaeus commemorations in December 2006 when Anders Björling and Roland Thorstensson presented a program on their journey to Swedish Lapland and northern Norway at the annual American-Scandinavian Yuletide Breakfast. In August 2006 Anders and Roland followed the route Linnaeus took in 1732 and docu-

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Anders Björling '98

Sunset (around 11:30 p.m.) at Saltoluokta, in Swedish Lapland.

### Linnaeus @ 300

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mented in his journal, *Iter Lapponicum*.

Their journey to Lapland yielded verbal and visual documents as well; Roland gathered material for a semester course on Linnaeus, and Anders took pictures for an April photo exhibit.

Several programs and events celebrating Linnaeus are scheduled for this spring. All are open to the public. For more information, call the Linnaeus Arboretum (507/933-6181).

Spring semester – Roland Thorstensson will teach a full-semester course on Linnaeus and his world;

March 26 – St Peter Continuing Education: Roland Thorstensson will talk about Linnaeus, “the one and the many,” and Cindy Johnson-Groh, associate professor of


biology and executive director of Linnaeus Arboretum, will examine Linnaeus’ scientific contributions;

April 11 – An exhibition of Anders Björling’s nature photography taken during his “Linnaeus trek” in Sweden will open at the Melva Lind Interpretive Center (a similar exhibition also will be on display at the Arts Center of Saint Peter);

April 24 – “From Skåne To Lapland – Travels through

Sweden with Carl Linnaeus,” a multimedia presentation by Anders Björling and Roland Thorstensson;

April 25 – Linnaeus Symposium. There will be Linnaeus events all day on campus and several speakers, including ethnobotanists Paul Alan Cox and Mark Plotkin, writer Paula Robbins, a Pehr Kalm historian, and Hans Odöo, a Swedish journalist-naturalist who is also a Linnaeus impersonator;

May 23 – Linnaeus was born in 1707, “. . . between the month of growing and the month of flowering, when the cuckoo was announcing the imminence of summer, when the trees were in leaf but before the season of blossom . . .”

*Roland Thorstensson, professor of Scandinavian Studies, has taught Swedish language and Nordic culture courses since joining the Gustavus faculty in 1971.*

## St. Dennis to lead Church Relations

The Rev. Grady St. Dennis '92, who has been serving Mount Olivet Lutheran Church in Minneapolis since 1999, has been named director of church relations at Gustavus Adolphus College.

In his new position, St. Dennis will lead efforts to nurture and strengthen the College’s relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and its congregations, particularly those in

the Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations.

“We are thrilled that the Rev. Grady St. Dennis has accepted the invitation to join us in this important role,” Gustavus President Jim



## College taps alumna for financial aid post

Jonathan Kraatz



**M**ary Booker '91 returned to her alma mater in January as Gustavus Adolphus College's new director of student financial assistance. Booker, who previously worked for Gustavus in admission and financial assistance between 1994 and 1999, had been associate director of financial aid at Dartmouth College since 2001.

Reporting to Vice President for Admission and Student Financial Assistance Mark Anderson, Booker is responsible for coordinating the often complex financial assistance process for Gustavus students. "The expertise that Mary brings, along with her knowledge of national trends in student aid, will help the College use our financial aid money to best benefit our students," Anderson stated in announcing her appointment.

With 71 percent of current Gustavus students receiving need-based financial assistance and more than \$20 million in scholarships and grants given annually, financial assistance is a key component when prospective students make decisions about their academic futures. A combination of rising tuition rates and the constant flux of state education funds makes the financial assistance office especially important at Gustavus.

After earning her undergraduate degree from Gustavus in 1991, Booker completed an M.A. in ethnic studies from Minnesota State University, Mankato. Her career at Gustavus began in 1994 when she became an assistant director of admission. She advanced to the position of assistant director of financial aid in 1997. In 1999, she left Gustavus to become the associate director of financial aid at Oberlin College (Oberlin, Ohio), moving to a similar post at Dartmouth (Hanover, N.H.) in 2001.

"As an experienced financial aid administrator and leader devoted to diversity in education," Booker stresses, "I believe this will be a unique opportunity for me to give back to an institution that has meant a lot to my personal and professional growth." ☐

Peterson noted in announcing his hiring. "I am confident that he will be an effective and enthusiastic leader who will strengthen our relationships with churches. Such connections are crucial to us as a college of the Church."

An ordained minister of the

ELCA who holds a master of divinity degree from Luther Seminary, St. Dennis developed and implemented several programs, including outreach ministry programs for young adults, at Mount Olivet. In addition to helping build, strengthen, and support Lutheran higher educa-

## New Vice President for College Relations named

The Photographers' Guild, St. Paul



**G**wendolyn Freed has been named vice president for college relations at Gustavus. In her new position, Freed leads the College's strategic communication efforts and oversees the Division of College Relations, including marketing, public relations, media relations, online and print communications, special events, fine arts promotion, sports information, and internal communications.

She began her duties Dec. 18, 2006.

Freed comes to Gustavus from Best Buy and has a background in corporate and higher education communications, journalism, fund development, and nonprofit leadership. As senior community relations specialist at Best Buy, her chief responsibilities were corporate communications and Twin Cities grant making through the Best Buy Children's Fund. Previously, she was the executive director of the Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphonies and a major gifts officer at the Minnesota Orchestra.

Her journalism background is extensive. As a staff reporter for the Minneapolis *Star Tribune*, she wrote about business and the arts. Her freelance work has been published in the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Newsday* and the *Detroit News*. She served as editor in chief of *Chamber Music* magazine and is the author of *Musician's Resource* (1997), a guide to educational programs.

Freed is completing a master's degree program in public and nonprofit leadership and management as a Thomas Swain Fellow at the University of Minnesota's Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. She holds a master's degree in music from The Julliard School in New York and a bachelor's degree in music from Oberlin College in Ohio. She is a board member and former lay counselor for Crisis Connection, a Twin Cities mental health agency. Freed is married to Kenneth Freed, a violist for the Minnesota Orchestra and music director of the Mankato Symphony Orchestra. They live in Edina, Minn., with their three children. ☐

tion in general and Gustavus in particular in his new position, he will represent the College at ELCA gatherings, synod assemblies, and other church-related gatherings.

He assumed his new duties Feb. 19, 2007. ☐



Stacia Senne

## Service-learning in teacher preparation at Gustavus

# “The bullying project”

by *Debra Eckerman Pitton, Ph.D.*

Teacher preparation programs have long known that they cannot do it alone. Developing opportunities for pre-service teachers to participate in K-12 classrooms throughout their education program is the goal of all teacher education departments and an expectation for any accredited institution.

The education faculty at Gustavus has long maintained a relationship with the St. Peter School District. While these exchanges have been wonderful learning experiences for Gustavus' pre-service teachers, I wondered if these opportunities were in any way helpful to the school district. Having learned about the potential of service-learning from ongoing faculty development experiences, I set out to try to improve the relationship to benefit both the college students and the middle school students.

Service-learning is based on the premise that the experience will provide mutual benefits for the student and the community being served. A true service-learning project would require my students to address the needs of our school partner as a part of my course. This meant lots of changes for me as the instructor. With support from Noreen Buhmann, the College's community service director, and input from the school district administration, I began to look for ways that the education students could enhance their learning by providing a service to the school.

Initial conversations with middle school administrators and counselors raised the question of whether their middle school students were aware of bullying within the school, and if the

problem was as widespread as some people thought. The district was instituting an anti-bullying policy, and while students were to be briefed on the policy requirements and expectations on the first day of school, there were questions about what the next steps should be. The school wanted more information about the extent of bullying and the needs of their students. The end result of these ongoing conversations was a solid commit-

ment from both institutions to “the bullying project.”

The school's primary concern was to find out more about how bullying was impacting the students. Not everyone was convinced that bullying was a problem. Eager to quantify the prevalence of bullying in the school, the middle school methods students offered to develop a survey to assess the needs of the school and to help build awareness of bullying at the local

### Not in the Script: Developing “Research-Like” Experiences

Labs in biology or chemistry often have relied on “canned” or “scripted” laboratory experiments. **Brenda Kelly**, assistant professor of biology and chemistry, is working to change that. Teaming up with science faculty from Grinnell, Hampshire, Harvey Mudd, Hope, and Wellesley colleges, Kelly is involved in a study to evaluate student perceptions of science after completing realistic “research-like” laboratory experiences. Research-like experiences, Kelly explains, “typically involve the students working in teams, selecting a research question, designing a plan for answering the question, collecting data, and reporting the analyzed results via an oral presentation or paper.” The lab experience is designed, Kelly concludes, “to mimic as closely as possible,” the challenges and rewards of a genuine research experience. Kelly's collaborative work on this project is being supported by a mini-grant from the Faculty Development Program. If the team's hypothesis proves correct, Kelly anticipates including more of these “research-like” experiences as early as possible in the science and mathematics curricula at Gustavus.

### The Business of “Re-enacting History”

The Merck-Vioxx legal case drew attention not only for the science behind the pharmaceutical drug, but for the critical ethical challenges it raised for business. **Mary Gaebler**, visiting assistant professor of religion, realized that the proceedings presented an ideal situation on which to build an engaging pedagogy of role-play, enhancing students' historical knowledge and sharpening their discussion skills. Gaebler assigned students roles in the case, including the characters of those injured by Merck's aggressive sales tactics. Students then conducted their own trial and came to better understand the consequences of ethical neglect. The role-play “forced the students to explore perspectives they might have otherwise missed,” Gaebler comments, “especially important in the business ethics setting since some students begin from the presupposition that anything goes, as long as





level. This met the need of the school site partner and provided opportunities for pre-service students to look more closely at the use of data gathering to shape school decision making and to focus on the developmental needs of pre-adolescents.

Thus began the parallel work of developing a survey instrument while addressing the other objectives for my course. Meetings with the school's middle school team charged with looking into developing stronger homeroom sessions were used to share ideas and flesh out both the survey prod-

uct and the process. In the beginning of the semester, my students read their assigned text and articles, but I added additional readings on the topics of bullying and service-learning.

Our school partner determined that it would be helpful to give the survey and then follow up with an awareness activity presented during homeroom. After the college students had developed the survey, they would facilitate its delivery in the homeroom. Because the school was in the process of reviewing and developing a more "advisory-like"

homeroom program, middle school methods students had a chance to create these advisory sessions, giving them opportunities to work with pre-adolescent learners and get to know first-hand what support could be offered in advisory-like sessions.

As a class, the pre-service teachers came up with three guiding questions to use a focus for their survey: 1) Did the middle school students really know what bullying was, and did they recognize bullying behavior? 2) What types of bullying behaviors were happening to middle school stu-

dents? 3) How pervasive were these various bullying behaviors in the school? As the next step in this work, the college students individually developed survey questions that would address the focus questions based on what they read and what they felt would be important to know.

After a final draft had been reviewed and approved by the school counselor and planning team, two-person teams of Gustavus pre-service teachers administered the survey in middle school homerooms.

Once the surveys were com-

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you make a profit for the stockholders." Supported by a Faculty Development Program mini-grant, Gaebler attended a conference that allowed her to model her trial after role-playing techniques developed by the Barnard Project.

## Accessible Psychology

"We wanted to talk as a department about how best to infuse life into psychological topics in a way that 18–22 year old psychology undergraduates can relate to and understand," explains **Marie Walker**, associate professor of psychology, about her department's seminar. As a structure for these discussions, the department faculty discussed Malcolm Gladwell's recently published *Blink*, a book that looks at decision making, social judgment, and first impressions.

Additionally, psychology faculty received a tutorial in E-Prime, a software package for creating computer-generated experiments. Psychology major Jake Anderson '02, who has been working at the University of Minnesota's psychophysiology lab in the last few years, provided the instruction in E-Prime. Walker notes that faculty will be able to use the software in their own research, in their classes, and with student advisees who could develop their own directed research projects.

## Going Right to the Source: Analyzing Students' Online Research

Not surprisingly, many of the Folke Bernadotte Memorial Library's resources are online. But just how well do students understand the research process using online resources? How can students' information-

seeking behaviors inform library website design? And how can faculty and librarians collaborate to improve student research? **Anna Hulseberg** and **Michelle Anderson Twait '98**, both librarians at Gustavus, hope to answer these questions analyzing data in the usage of the library website. "We hope to explore students' overall understanding of the research process," Hulseberg explains, "focusing in particular on how students use the library's website to access materials for research and coursework." "Based on our findings," Twait adds, "we plan to redesign the website to provide better access for students and more focused support for teaching and learning at Gustavus."

## Why Read? Why Write?

In "The American Scholar," Ralph Waldo Emerson suggests that "Books are the best of things, well used; abused, among the worst. What is the one end, which all means go to effect?" Emerson's reply: "They are for nothing but to inspire." Yet anecdotal evidence suggests that we live in an increasingly technological world where success is measured by financial gain or scientific achievement. Reading literature, for many children and adults, seems a quaint luxury with little relevance to the real world. But not for faculty and students in the English Department, who embarked on a semester-long conversation about the importance of reading and humanistic study. Supported by a grant from the Faculty Development Program, faculty and students initially focused their discussions on Mark Edmundson's *Why Read?* They then welcomed the author to campus for the annual Lefler Lecture. As the culmination of this department seminar, at the end of the semester, the students in **Rebecca Fremo's** Senior Seminar on Creative Nonfiction read from their long projects, suggesting that not only is it important to understand why we *read*, but that it is equally vital to understand why we *write*. **G**



## The bullying project

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pleted, the methods students compiled the data. The school site wanted the raw data, so the students did no statistical analysis; however, a look at the data indicated that there clearly were varying perspectives among the middle school students regarding what bullying really was and whether it occurred in their school.

The feedback from the middle level students showed that for some kids, bullying was indeed a problem, while for others, bullying issues were not on their radar at all. As a result, the school site planning team wanted to provide explicit examples of the offensive behavior, to help “open the eyes” of

students to the plight of some of their peers, as identified by the survey. Because the middle school students were going to be held to the specifics of the school bullying policy, the planning team wanted to be sure that all students were clear on the expectations. Discussions of how to present realistic images of bullying resulted in the selection of a video that would be shown to students.

To address the question of “what next?” the college students began to plan a follow-up homeroom session. Simply giving a data report would not be an appropriate means of sharing the results. They wanted to highlight that a number of students taking the survey had identified particular bullying behaviors and specified that

these actions *were* occurring. They planned to segue into the video as a means of providing examples for those who were “in denial” or unaware of the extent of the problem or the misery that that bullying created. At this point, they had read about planning and practiced writing objectives and assessments in class. In groups they developed ideas for the follow-up that were agreed upon and written up as a draft “lesson plan.”

So what were the results of this service-learning project? For the college students, in-class feedback and reflections indicated that they appreciated the opportunity to do real work with students and that this interaction with young adolescents both heightened their knowledge and their interest in teaching middle school students. Their conversations had more depth and real-life examples. Specifically, the creation of the survey called for the students to collaborate, to identify goals and questions, to write questions that would give them results, and then tabulate and identify what the data said. Allowing the survey to be the work of the college students and not a “re-shaped” version created by the instructor made it real, and the subsequent discussion about use of data and appropriate ways to gather data and analyze it took class discussions into new areas.

As for the school site, they reported an increase of documented student reports of bullying behaviors at the middle school level, and a heightened awareness of the occurrence of such behaviors among faculty. The survey gave them initial in-

formation to use for further planning and faculty development.

In the semesters following the initial launch of the bullying project, the course instructor and middle school planning team have continued to meet and extend this work. Each semester, a focus is identified to continue the awareness of bullying and increase student sensitivity to the needs of others. Anti-bullying strategies, complete with role-playing and the use of scenarios, were implemented the second semester. By the third semester, the planning team felt that the school needed to step back and work on relationship-building to help students develop a “kinder, gentler” attitude toward their peers, especially those they did not identify as their friends.

The implementation of service-learning has opened the doors to a real shared learning experience for all those involved, shifting the direction of the learning in ways that are still evolving. The benefits for the students at the middle school, who were provided with information and support regarding bullying, and the opportunities for pre-service students to work and learn within classrooms with experienced staff and real students all combined to make for a complex, messy, and wonderful learning experience for all involved. The bullying project made the learning real for my students. ☐

*Debra Pitton is associate professor of education at Gustavus and has been a member of the faculty since 1997.*

## Longtime employees recognized

A number of support staff employees were honored for their service to the College at the 2006 Staff Holiday Luncheon, held on Dec. 20. Pictured here are 2006 retirees and those who were recognized for 25 years of service.



**Retirees** – Pictured is **Betty Jean Passon**, custodial (28 years of service). Not able to attend was **Nadine Zuhlsdorf**, administrative assistant, Department of Chemistry (32 years).

**25 Years** – Below, from left: **Nancy Sanderson**, administrative assistant, Department of Music; **Todd Block**, plumber, physical plant; **Betty Maas**, Dining Service; **Corky Biehn**, Dining Service; **Kathy Allen**, administrative assistant, Career Center; and **Diane Wilson**, custodial.



Photos by Jonathan Kaatz



## 66th Festival of St. Lucia ushers in Christmas season



Jonathan Kraatz

Sophomore **Gretchen Libbey**, Minnetonka, Minn., reigned as St. Lucia at the College's 66th annual celebration of the Festival of St. Lucia. The festival is a Christmas-season tradition at Gustavus that reflects the College's Swedish heritage and celebrates the "return of light" to the world.

Libbey is pictured here with the Lucia Court prior to the special chapel service on December 9. Fellow sophomores in the 2006 Lucia court were, from left, **Hannah Wunsch**, Omaha, Neb.; **Holly Andersen**, Glenville, Minn.; Libbey; **Delphine Broccard**, Bloomington, Minn.; and **Kristin Mummert**, Albert Lea, Minn.


Children of Gustavus employees traditionally participate in

the Lucia procession as star children and tomten: This year, they were, from left, **Josephine Carlson**, daughter of **John and Heidi Rostberg Carlson '88 '93**, both on the athletics coaching staff; **Mara and** (far right) **Josiah Johnson**, children of **Chris Johnson '85**, director of the Center for Vocational Reflection, and his wife, **Kim Devine-Johnson '85**; **Greta and Lilly Anderson**, daughters of **Jeff Anderson**, international student services coordinator, and his wife, **Sheila**; and **Gavin Dobosenski**, son of **Matt Dobosenski '99**, media services coordinator, and his wife, **Gigi Wait Dobosenski '98**. 

## Admission reps at major college fairs

Admission counselors will represent Gustavus Adolphus College at a number of major college fairs in the coming months. Please encourage prospective students with whom you are acquainted to stop by to visit!

Mar. 6	Xavier High School College Fair	Appleton, Wis.
Mar. 12	West Des Moines College Fair	West Des Moines, Iowa
Mar. 13	Belmond College Fair	Belmond, Iowa
Mar. 14	Algona College Fair	Algona, Iowa
Mar. 15	Estherville College Fair	Estherville, Iowa
Mar. 15	Spencer College Fair	Spencer, Iowa
Mar. 15	Storm Lake College Fair	Storm Lake, Iowa
Mar. 17	Seattle PNACAC College Fair	Seattle, Wash.
Mar. 18	Portland PNACAC College Fair	Portland, Ore.
Mar. 20	City High School College Fair	Iowa City, Iowa
Mar. 27	Sioux Falls College Fair	Sioux Falls, S.D.
Apr. 9	Barrington College Fair	Barrington, Ill.
Apr. 10	Harper College College Fair	Palatine, Ill.
Apr. 11	Lyons Township College Fair	LaGrange, Ill.
Apr. 12	The Glenbrooks College Fair	Northbrook, Ill.
Apr. 12	Jones College Prep College Fair	Chicago, Ill.
Apr. 16	North Central College College Fair	Naperville, Ill.
Apr. 17	Hinsdale Central College Fair	Hinsdale, Ill.
Apr. 18	Niles West College Fair	Skokie, Ill.
Apr. 19	Rosary High School College Fair	Aurora, Ill.
Apr. 19	Fox Valley College Fair	St. Charles, Ill.
Apr. 23	Luverne High School College Fair	Luverne, Minn.
Apr. 23	Pipestone High School College Fair	Pipestone, Minn.
Apr. 23	Windom High School College Fair	Windom, Minn.
Apr. 24	Fairmont High School College Fair	Fairmont, Minn.
Apr. 24	Mankato East H. S. College Fair	Mankato, Minn.
Apr. 25	MSU, Mankato College Fair	Mankato, Minn.
Apr. 25	South Central College College Fair	Faribault, Minn.
Apr. 25	Albert Lea High School College Fair	Albert Lea, Minn.
Apr. 26	Riverland C & T College College Fair	Austin, Minn.
Apr. 26	Winona High School College Fair	Winona, Minn.
Apr. 29	Rochester C & T College College Fair	Rochester, Minn.
Apr. 29	St. Louis All-Metro College Fair	St. Louis, Mo.
May 9	Mason City College Fair	Mason City, Iowa

For further information on the above fairs, or to get information on all the college fairs at which Gustavus will be represented, call Alan Meiers '87 at 800/487-8288. 



# 2007 summer sports camps at Gustavus

Gustavus' strong athletics tradition is reflected in numerous sports camps held on campus during the summer. All camps listed feature knowledgeable coaching staffs, top-notch athletic facilities, and quality dining service and housing accommodations. Complete summer camp information is posted at [www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/athletics/camps/](http://www.gustavus.edu/oncampus/athletics/camps/).



## Gustavus Golf Camp

**Boys and girls, ages 9–17:**  
June 10–14  
Contact Scott Moe,  
507/933-7610  
[smoe@gustavus.edu](mailto:smoe@gustavus.edu)

## Gustavus Hockey & Leadership Camp

**Squirts, PeeWees, and Bantams:** July 8–12  
**Mites:** July 9–13  
**Defensemen Skills Camp:**  
July 13–15  
**Girls:** July 15–19  
Contact Brett Petersen,  
507/933-7615  
[bpeters4@gustavus.edu](mailto:bpeters4@gustavus.edu)



## Gustavus Basketball & Leadership Camps

**Grades 7–8:** June 10–14  
**Grades 8–9:** June 17–21  
**Grades 6–7:** June 24–27  
**Grades 6–7:** June 28–July 1  
**Grades 8–10:** July 8–12  
**Grades 9–10:** July 15–19  
**Varsity:** July 22–26  
Contact Mark Hanson,  
507/933-7037  
[mjh44@gustavus.edu](mailto:mjh44@gustavus.edu)

## Gustavus Volleyball Camp

(for grades 8–12)  
Day camp options,  
all 8 a.m.–noon & 1–3 p.m.:  
**Gustie Camp:** July 23 and 24  
**Setter/Hitler Camp:** July 25  
**Offensive/Defensive Camp:**  
July 26

Overnight option:  
**Gustie Competition Camp:**  
July 27 (6 p.m.)–  
July 29 (4 p.m.)

Contact Kari Eckheart,  
507/933-6416  
[keckhear@gustavus.edu](mailto:keckhear@gustavus.edu)



## Gustie Soccer Camp

**Boys and girls, ages 10–14:**  
June 24–28  
**Boys and girls, ages 10–17:**  
July 8–12  
Contact Mike Stehlik,  
507/933-7619  
[mstehlik@gustavus.edu](mailto:mstehlik@gustavus.edu)



## Tennis & Life Camps

**Junior Camps (ages 11–18):**  
June 11–14, June 28–July 1,  
July 9–12, July 23–26, August  
6–9, August 9–12

**Junior Camps (ages 14–18):**  
June 18–21, July 5–8, July  
16–19, July 30–August 2,  
August 2–5

**Tournament Player Camp (Ages 14–18):** June 25–28  
**Adult Camps (ages 18–80):**  
June 7–10, June 14–17, June  
21–24

**Family Camps (ages 8–80):**  
July 12–15, July 19–22, July  
26–29

Contact Steve Wilkinson,  
507/931-1614  
[swilkins@gustavus.edu](mailto:swilkins@gustavus.edu)

## Southern Minnesota Throwers Camp

(for boys and girls,  
grades 8–12)  
**Three one-day Shot Put Camps**  
June 11, June 18, June 25  
**Three one-day Discus Camps**  
June 12, June 19, June 26  
Contact Tom Thorkelson,  
507/933-7657  
[tork@gustavus.edu](mailto:tork@gustavus.edu)

## Gustavus Swimming Camps

(for boys and girls,  
ages 10–18)  
**Sprint & Achievement Camp:**  
June 13–17  
**I.M. Camp:** June 20–24  
Contact Jon Carlson,  
507/933-7694  
[carlson@gustavus.edu](mailto:carlson@gustavus.edu)



# Saudi artist's work explores religious and social belief systems

by Donald Myers '83

The Hillstrom Museum of Art is currently showing *Fatimah in America: An Installation by Hend Al-Mansour*, which will be on view until March 4, 2007. Hend Al-Mansour is a well-regarded artist from the Twin Cities who was a principal organizer of and contributor to the critically acclaimed 2003 exhibition *Sheherazade: Risking the Passage*, held at El Colegio Gallery in Minneapolis. She was born in Saudi Arabia and trained in medicine in Egypt. She immigrated to the United States in order to avoid Saudi oppression of women and became an artist, earning her M.F.A. from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design in 2002. Her work deals with her identity as an Arab woman and how that interacts with her Islamic faith.

Al-Mansour describes herself: "I am a Saudi woman artist. I use the beautiful language of art for the sake of social change towards justice, equality, and freedom of expression. My work explores religious and social belief systems, especially those dealing with women, sexuality, and understanding the other." She also frequently explores in her work Arab and Jewish relationships, and was one of five artists featured in the recent exhibition *Israel/Palestine: A Home Divided* (at Saint Mary's

University, Winona).

The installation *Fatimah in America* deals with the lives of several Muslim women in America, exploring their relationships to both the traditional, Islamic culture and the very different culture of America, and how the women negotiate their personal identities between these two often-frictional entities. Al-Mansour notes that some Muslims left home in search of a dreamland, hoping to "begin a fresh and fulfilling life away from bad economy, bad governments, or social injustice. But they found that they had also left behind sweet languages, rich traditions, familiar faces, and most importantly a distinctive identity. As immigrants, they have passed into a blurred zone where both cultures consider them part of the other. In the dawn of the twenty-first century, with the clash between the Islamic world and the West, these American Muslims carry the extra burden of defending one part of their identity against the other."

The exhibition consists of architectural spaces created for each subject portrayed. These have been adorned in various ways, including with stylized figures and faces integrated with Islamic ornamentation and Arabic calligraphy that the artist silk-screened on fabric. Each space is personalized, with the decoration tailored to the personality and individual situation of each woman. The *Fatimah in America* installa-



Hend Al-Mansour, detail of *Fatimah in America* exhibition, 2005 (from initial version of its installation). Inset: Hend Al-Mansour, detail of screen-printed cloth in *Fatimah in America* exhibition, 2005 (from initial version of its installation).

tion is the artist's fully developed statement on her subject, and it relates to a smaller, earlier exhibit held at the University of St. Thomas last year. The more extensive Hillstrom Museum of Art installation was planned to include the assistance of interested students, to involve them in an artist's work and allow them to gain valuable experience. The aid of the College's professional carpenters was also an important part of the process, and all these assistants are gratefully thanked.

*Fatimah in America* is a collaborative project between the Hillstrom Museum of Art and the Diversity Center, and is further supported by the Ethel and Edgar Johnson Endowment for the Arts, Gustavus Adolphus College, and the College's Women's Studies Program. ☐

Author Donald Myers '83 has directed the Hillstrom Museum of Art since its opening in 2000. He is also an instructor in art history at Gustavus.

# Calendar

## Conferences, anniversaries mark Spring 2007

### March

Through March 4

Art Exhibition: **Fatimah in America: An Installation by Hend Al-Mansour**, Hillstrom Museum of Art. Open to the public without charge; regular museum hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon.–Fri.; 1–5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. (See p. 13.)

- 9–10 Conference: **“Building Bridges”** student-led diversity conference, “Find Your Voice: Putting Awareness into Action,” with keynote speaker Lisa Ling, host of the award-winning documentary series *Explorer* on the National Geographic Channel, Alumni Hall, 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Open to the public without charge; for information and reservations, contact the Diversity Center (507/933-7449).



Lisa Ling

- 9–10 Conference: **“Tubonium”: Midwest Regional Tuba and Euphonium Conference**, sponsored by the Department of Music, Jussi Björling Recital Hall.

For more information, contact Paul Budde, Department of Music (507/933-7364).

- 9–11 Dance: **To Touch, To Move, To Inspire: The Spring Dance Concert**, choreographed by Michele Rusinko and Maria Gomez-Tierney, Anderson Theatre, 8 p.m. (March 9 & 10) and 2 p.m. (March 11). Ticket required; contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).



- 17 Conference: **“Working for Change: Creating Career Paths to Make a Difference,”** conference and concert sponsored by the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs (HECUA) and its affiliate institutions, for undergraduate students and HECUA alumni exploring callings and careers with a focus on social justice, with keynote speaker Karen Bossart Rusthoven '66, founder and principal of Community of Peace Academy, Jackson Campus Center, starting at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Brian Koeneman, internship director (507/933-7532).

- 18 Music: **Gustavus Symphony Orchestra**, Warren Friesen, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

19–April 22

Art Exhibition: **Don Palmgren: A Retrospective Exhibition**, Hillstrom Museum of Art. Open to the public without charge; regular museum hours: 9 a.m.–4 p.m., Mon.–Fri.; 1–5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. Opening reception: Mar. 19, 7–9 p.m.

- 24 **President's Ball**, Landmark Center, St. Paul, 6 p.m. Ticket required; for information and reservations, contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

- 27 Music: **Choir of Christ Chapel Home Concert**, Patricia Kazarow, conductor, Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

### April

- 14 Music: **Gustavus Jazz Lab Band Home Concert**, Steve Wright, director, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 25 Symposium: **Linnaeus Symposium**, celebrating the 300th anniversary of the birth of Swedish botanist and explorer Carolus Linnaeus and featuring journalist and Linnaeus impersonator Hans Odöo, ethnobiologist Paul Alan Cox, and writer Paula Robbins, Christ Chapel and

Alumni Hall, opening at 10 a.m. Pre-registration required; contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520). (See p. 5.)

- 28 **Gustavus Adolphus College Association of Congregations** 20th annual convention: “Living a Life of Leadership: Intersecting with Christ,” with keynote speaker Mary K. Nelson '61, president and CEO of Bethel New Life of Chicago, Christ Chapel, opening at 9:30 a.m. Pre-registration required for delegates from member congregations; for more information, contact the Office of Church Relations (507/933-7001).

- 29 Music: **Gustavus Woodwind Ensembles Spring Concert**, Ann Pesavento, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 29 Music: **Adolphus Jazz Ensemble**, Steve Wright, director, and **Gustavus Chamber Singers**, Gregory Aune, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 3:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 29 Music: **St. Ansgar's Chorus, and the Birgitta Singers**, Gregory Aune, conductor, Travis Sletta, conductor, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

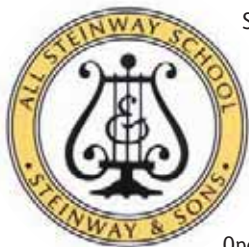
### May

- 2 The 27th **MAYDAY!** Peace Conference: “Community



Food Security," with keynote speakers Mike Hamm, C.S. Mott Chair of Sustainable Agriculture at Michigan State University, and Janet Poppendieck, author of *Sweet Charity? Emergency Food and the End of Entitlements*, and featuring a "100-mile meal," Christ Chapel, opening at 10 a.m. Pre-registration required; contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520).

- 4 Music: **A Steinway Celebration!** A special student program recognizing the College's "All



Steinway School" designation, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Open to the public without charge; for more information, contact the Office of Fine Arts Programs (507/933-7363).

- 5 **Honors Day:** Convocation, Christ Chapel, 10:30 a.m.; Honors Recital, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520).
- 5 Music: **The Gustavus Choir 75th-Anniversary Concert**, Gregory Aune, conductor, Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge; for information about other anniversary events, contact Dean Wahlund, direc-

tor of special events (507/933-7520).

- 5-27 Art: **Senior Studio Majors' Exhibition**, Hillstrom Museum of Art. Open to the public without charge; regular museum hours: 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; 1-5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. Opening reception: May 5, 4-7 p.m.

- 6 Music: **Gustavus Percussion Ensembles Spring Concert**, Robert Adney and Paul Hill, conductors, Jussi Björling Recital Hall, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 8 **Lindau Symposium:** "Religion in American Public Life," featuring Fr. Richard John Neuhaus, founder of the Institute for Religion and Public Life and editor-in-chief of its journal, *First Things*; Alumni Hall, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge. (See p. 27.)

- 9-13 Theatre: **The Tempest**, by William Shakespeare, directed by Amy Seham, with Rob Gardner as Prospero, 8 p.m. (May 9, 10, & 11), 7 p.m. (May 12), and 2 p.m. (May 13). Ticket required; for information and reservations, contact the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

- 11-13 **A Celebration of 75 Years of Theatre** at Gustavus Adolphus College, including "Decadal Cuttings," May 12, Alumni Hall, 1 p.m., and a special performance

of *The Tempest*, May 12, Anderson Theatre, 7 p.m. See full schedule of events on p. 23; for more information and reservations, contact Barbara Larson Taylor '93, Office of Alumni Relations (507/933-7515).

- 12 Music: **Vasa and Gustavus Wind Orchestras** in concert, Douglas Nimmo, conductor, Christ Chapel, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 13 Music: **Lucia Singers' Mothers Day Concert**, Patricia Snapp, conductor, Christ Chapel, 1:30 p.m. Open to the public without charge.

- 25-26 **Alumni Reunion Weekend:** 40th, 45th, and 50th anniversary class and 50-Year Club reunions; Alumni Association Banquet and awards presentation, May 26, Evelyn

Young Dining Room, 5 p.m. Pre-registration required; contact the Office of Alumni Relations (800/487-8437 or [www.gustavus.edu/alumni/](http://www.gustavus.edu/alumni/)).

- 26 Music: **Gustavus Symphony Orchestra Season Finale Concert**, Warren Friesen, conductor, Christ Chapel, 8 p.m. Open to the public without charge.
- 27 **Commencement:** Baccalaureate, Christ Chapel, 9 & 10:30 a.m. (ticket required); commencement exercises, Hollingsworth Field (weather permitting), 2 p.m. Ticket required for exercises if they are moved indoors; for more information, contact the Office of College Relations (507/933-7520).

**Please Note:** Times and dates of the events listed on this page are subject to change. Please call to confirm events of interest.

## Additional schedules, information and updates

**Sports** ■ Up-to-date **sports schedules** may be found on the World Wide Web, through the Gustavus homepage ([www.gustavus.edu](http://www.gustavus.edu)). For a printed schedule of any or all of the Gustie varsity athletic squads, download from the Web or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Tim Kennedy '82, sports information director, Gustavus Adolphus College, 800 W. College Ave., St. Peter, MN 56082-1498. Also, you can listen to selected Gustavus athletics broadcasts over the Internet through RealAudio. Broadcasts may be accessed through a link on Gustavus athletics website, where a broadcast schedule also may be found.

**The Arts** ■ To receive a more complete **fine arts schedule** or more information on fine arts events noted in the calendar, contact Al Behrends '77, director of fine arts programs, by phone (507/933-7363) or e-mail ([al@gustavus.edu](mailto:al@gustavus.edu)). Tickets for theatre and dance performances are available two weeks in advance of the performance through the Gustavus Ticket Center (507/933-7590).

## A PARADE OF PERSONALITIES

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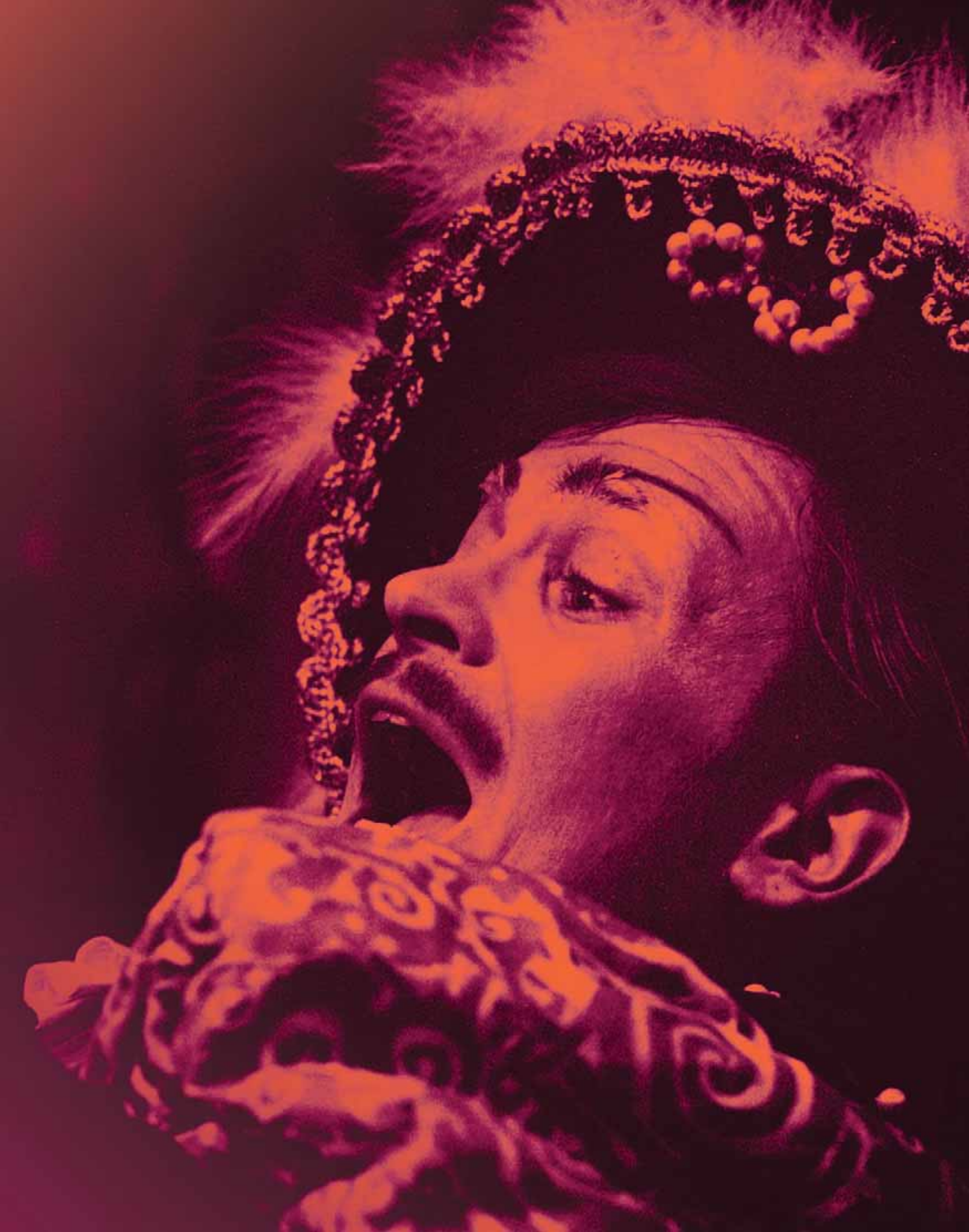
# 75 YEARS OF THEATRE AT GUSTAVUS

*by William Randall Beard '78*

This is a historic spring for Gustavus theatre, as the department celebrates two major milestones: the 75th anniversary of the first College-authorized stage production and the beginning of a faculty-directed dramatics program, and the retirement of longtime professor Robert Gardner. Next to the iconic Evelyn Olson Anderson '29, for whom the theatre is named, Gardner is the College's longest-serving theatre professor. "(Faculty) personalities shape departments," he says. And that's certainly been true of theatre.

The program began inauspiciously in the 1931–32 academic year. According to the 1932–1933 *Gustavian* annual, "As a result of much agitation for public dramatics, the college board granted the plea for two public performances a year under faculty supervision. A mammoth pageant and an all-college play were well presented this year." The pageant, a spectacle depicting the role of





# MAINSTAGE PLAYS

produced at Gustavus Adolphus College  
1932 – 2007

Date	Play	Director
May 1932	<i>The Queen's Husband</i>	Evan Anderson
May 1933	<i>The Tinker</i>	Evan Anderson
May 1935	<i>Enter the Prodigal</i>	Aagot Hoidahl
December 1935	<i>As the Clock Strikes</i>	Aagot Hoidahl
Spring 1936	<i>Climbing Roses</i>	Melba Linner
November 1936	<i>Little Women</i>	Louise Youngren
May 1937	<i>The Patsy</i>	Louise Youngren
February 1938	<i>Hedda Gabler</i>	Louise Youngren
May 1938	<i>Wind in the South</i>	Louise Youngren
December 1938	<i>Sun-Up</i>	Evelyn Olson
May 1939	<i>There's Always Juliet</i>	Evelyn Olson
May 1939	<i>The Moonstone</i>	Gertrude Erickson
December 1939	<i>Family Portrait</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1940	<i>Our Town</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1940	<i>Wuthering Heights</i>	F.C. Gamelin
November 1940	<i>After Wimpole Street</i>	F.C. Gamelin
February 1941	<i>Brief Music</i>	F.C. Gamelin
May 1941	<i>The Imaginary Invalid</i>	F.C. Gamelin
November 1941	<i>The Whole Town's Talking</i>	F.C. Gamelin
December 1941	<i>Yes and No</i>	F.C. Gamelin
February 1942	<i>Icebound</i>	F.C. Gamelin
March 1942	<i>A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court</i>	F.C. Gamelin
May 1942	<i>Gillean</i>	F.C. Gamelin
November 1942	<i>The Doctor in Spite of Himself</i>	F.C. Gamelin
April 1943	<i>Thunder Rock</i>	F.C. Gamelin
May 1943	<i>Kitty Foyle</i>	F.C. Gamelin
February 1945	<i>The Wingless Victory</i>	Evelyn Anderson
June 1945	<i>Our Town</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1945	<i>Claudia</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1945	<i>Junior Miss</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1946	<i>Ghosts</i>	Evelyn Anderson
Fall 1946	<i>I Remember Mama</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1946	<i>The Barretts of Wimpole Street</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1947	<i>Dulcy</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1947	<i>Trojan Women</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1948	<i>Family Portrait</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1948	<i>Years Ago</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1948	<i>No Exit</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1948	<i>I Remember Mama</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1948	<i>A Child is Born</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1949	<i>A Doll's House</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1949	<i>Antigone</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1950	<i>Our Town</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1950	<i>Hamlet</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1950	<i>Pygmalion</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1951	<i>Medea</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1951	<i>Blithe Spirit</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1951	<i>Family Portrait</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1952	<i>Joan of Lorraine</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1952	<i>An Inspector Calls</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1952	<i>The Mad Woman of Chailot</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1953	<i>The Glass Menagerie</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1953	<i>Macbeth</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1953	<i>John Loves Mary</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1953	<i>The Little Foxes</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1954	<i>Mourning Becomes Electra</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1954	<i>Cinderella</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1954	<i>Goodbye My Fancy</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1954	<i>Sleeping Beauty</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1954	<i>The Lady's Not For Burning</i>	Evelyn Anderson

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Lutheranism in history and focusing on the contributions of Swedish Americans historical pageant, was performed during commencement week and featured a cast of 125 characters.

The first play, *The Queen's Husband*, by Robert Sherwood, was presented in the local high school auditorium in April 1932, directed by speech professor Evan Anderson. Eventually, an old gymnasium on campus was remodeled into a performing space, but for most of the first decade, there was rarely more than one production staged in a year, directed by various speech and English department faculty. The plays were primarily melodramas or comic entertainments. The program continued within the Speech Department.

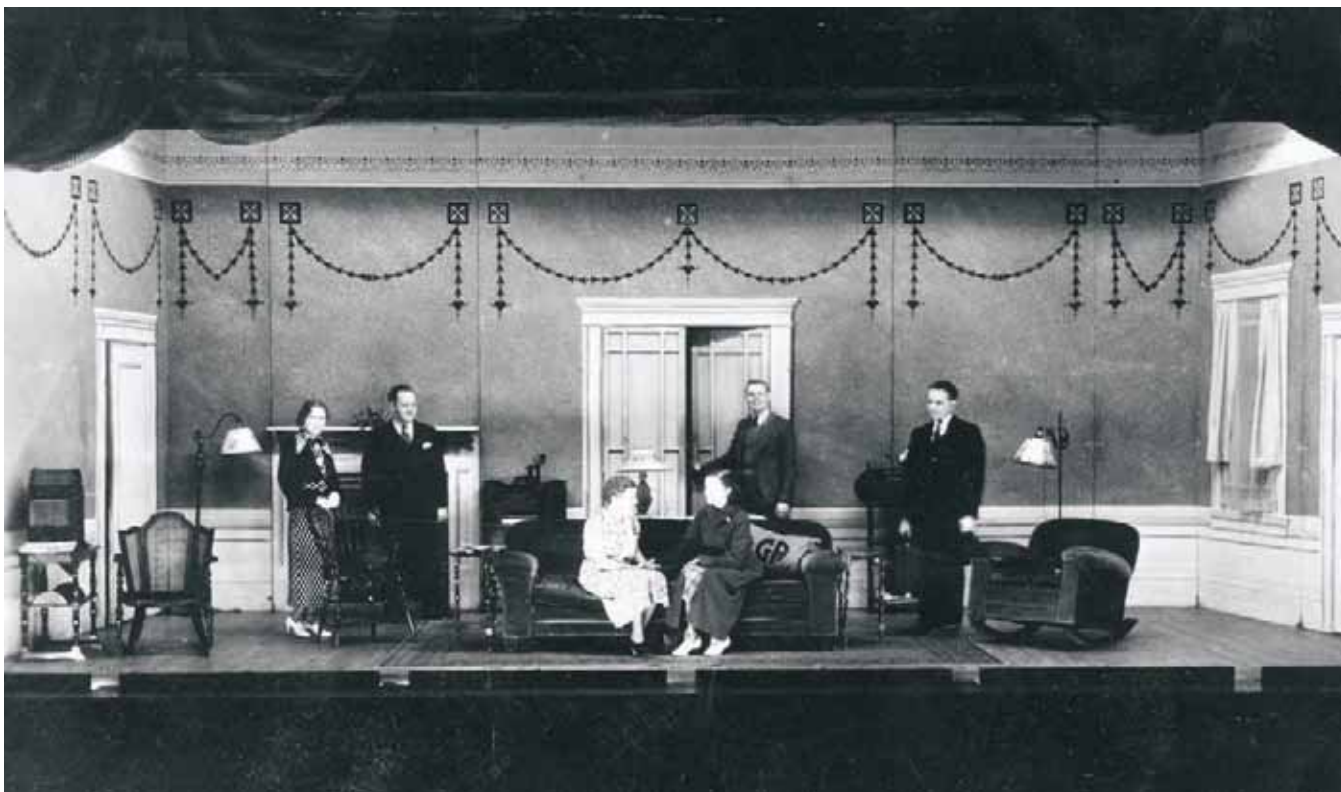
The theatre program took a major step forward in 1938, when Evelyn Olson joined the faculty. She had graduated from Gustavus in 1929 and had made a career for herself as a director. She had studied under Anderson and, even as an undergraduate, she had viewed him as her ideal. The two were married in 1939 and theirs was a decades-long romance and professional partnership.

Evelyn Anderson transformed the department. She was a woman with a strong personality and a dramatic, theatrical manner. She was known for her eccentricities, but she was highly intelligent. In addition to the classics, she had a penchant for cutting-edge plays—and she had the courage to produce them. She directed Sartre's *No Exit* as early as 1948, and *Marat/Sade* (complete with nudity) in 1968. All her work was done with great style and elegance, and she built the department in the same manner. For more than 30 years, Anderson was a one-woman show and her sensibilities prevailed.

The next watershed year was 1971. The program had grown sufficiently to warrant additional faculty (and a new department name—



Carol Becker '50, Betty Jane Johnson '47, Maurine Ibberson '49, and RoseMarie Gregg '50 in *The Barretts of Wimpole Street* (1946).



*Enter the Prodigal (1935) utilized an interior set seen frequently in the early years of Gustavus theatre.*

Speech and Theatre—by 1969), and Rob Gardner was hired. In addition, after almost 25 years of staging plays in a cramped theatre in the Classroom Annex, Anderson achieved her dream and the theatre, which was ultimately named for her and her husband, finally became a reality. She had wanted a professional theatre, what she called “a miniature Guthrie,” and she made it happen before she retired in 1974.

Gardner, who exhibited a more laid-back temperament than Anderson, presided over the diversification of the department. The hiring of William Levis as another director, Kelly Forde as technical director, and David Olson as artist-in-residence brought a wide range of new perspectives, influencing both repertoire and production styles. This initiated a decade that was, as Gardner described it in an article on the 25th anniversary of Anderson Theatre in 1996, “expansive and occasionally explosive.”

Those years saw the first musical, the first student-created work, the first African American play, the first professionally choreographed dance concert, and the first productions mounted in Black Box and in the scene shop. The program became a separate academic department, the Department of Theatre in 1977.

This “chaotic vitality” gave way to what Gardner called “a more disciplined organization in the eighties and nineties.” In part, that grew from the hiring of Steve Griffith ’75 in 1979. Hired as a design instructor and tech director, he also proved to be an excellent administrator and served several terms as department chair. Until his departure in 2006, he was successful in growing the program, transforming

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Spring 1955	<i>He Sits at the Melting Pot</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1955	<i>The Crucible</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1956	<i>The Importance of Being Earnest</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1956	<i>Rumpelstiltskin</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1956	<i>The Guardsmen</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1956	<i>Six Characters in Search of an Author</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1957	<i>The Taming of the Shrew</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1957	<i>Snow White and the Seven Dwarves</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1957	<i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1957	<i>The Sea Gull</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1957	<i>Our Town</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1958	One-act plays in the round: <i>The Stranger</i> <i>The Property Is Condemned</i> <i>The Twelve Pound Look</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1958	<i>Death of a Salesman</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1959	<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1959	<i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Evelyn Anderson
Commencement 1959	Theatre in the Round: <i>Rehearsal</i> <i>Spoon River</i> <i>Cavalcade</i> <i>Rumpelstiltskin</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1959	<i>Summer and Smoke</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1959	<i>Sign of Jonah</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1960	<i>Othello</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1960	<i>Heidi</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1960	<i>The Matchmaker</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1960	<i>Christ in the Concrete City</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1961	<i>Look Homeward, Angel</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1961	<i>Cinderella</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1961	<i>The Skin of Our Teeth</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1961	<i>Everyman</i>	Evelyn Anderson

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Date	Play	Director
March 1962	<i>The Merchant of Venice</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1962	<i>Sleeping Beauty</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1962	<i>The Miracle Worker</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1962	<i>Christ in the Concrete City</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1963	<i>Tiger at the Gates</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1963	<i>Rumplestiltskin</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1963	<i>J.B.</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1964	<i>Six Characters in Search of an Author</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1964	<i>Christ in the Concrete City</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1964	<i>Easter</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1964	<i>Snow White and the Seven Dwarves</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1964	<i>The Merry Wives of Windsor</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1965	<i>Royal Gambit</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1965	<i>Christ in the Concrete City</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1965	<i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1965	<i>She Stoops to Conquer</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1966	<i>Hamlet</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1966	<i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1966	<i>Heartbreak House</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1967	<i>Trojan Women</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1967	<i>You Can't Take It with You</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1967	<i>Cinderella</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1967	<i>Under Milk Wood</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1968	<i>Lysistrata</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1968	<i>A Man for All Seasons</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1968	<i>Sleeping Beauty</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1968	<i>Ah, Wilderness</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1969	<i>Rumplestiltskin</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1969	<i>Slow Dance on the Killing Ground</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1969	<i>A Man's a Man</i>	Don Seay
November 1969	<i>The Persecution and Assassination of Jean-Paul Marat</i>	Evelyn Anderson
January 1970	<i>The Little Mermaid</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1970	<i>Menaechmi</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1970	<i>After the Fall</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1970	<i>The Night Thoreau Spent In Jail</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1970	<i>Spoon River Anthology</i>	Carolyn Coon
January 1971	<i>Jack and the Beanstalk</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1971	<i>Rose Tattoo</i>	Evelyn Anderson
April 1971	<i>Bury the Dead</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1971	<i>Trojan Women</i>	Evelyn Anderson
December 1971	<i>The Hostage</i>	Robert Gardner
January 1972	<i>Snow White</i>	Evelyn Anderson
February 1972	<i>Blood Wedding</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1972	<i>A Delicate Balance</i>	Evelyn Anderson
October 1972	<i>The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie</i>	Evelyn Anderson
November 1972	<i>The Rimers of Eldritch</i>	Robert Gardner
January 1973	<i>Cinderella</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1973	<i>Macbeth</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1973	<i>The Three Sisters</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1973	<i>Guys and Dolls</i>	Robert Gardner
January 1974	<i>Hansel and Gretel</i>	Evelyn Anderson
March 1974	<i>Abelard and Heloise</i>	Evelyn Anderson
May 1974	<i>Endgame</i>	Denise Gordon
May 1974	<i>The Greatest Show This Side of the Mississippi</i>	Cynthia Subby
October 1974	<i>Spring's Awakening</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1974	<i>School for Wives</i>	William Levis
January 1975	<i>The World of Mother Goose</i>	William Levis
March 1975	<i>To Be Young, Gifted and Black</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1975	<i>Midsummer Night's Dream</i>	William Levis
October 1975	<i>The Three Penny Opera</i>	William Levis
November 1975	<i>Sister Heeno's Warm Elbow</i>	Charles Nolte
January 1976	<i>The Owl and the Pussycat</i>	William Levis
March 1976	<i>The Comedy of Errors</i>	William Levis
May 1976	<i>Mademoiselle Jaire</i>	David Olson

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**Top:** *Macbeth's* three witches: Adelaide Rethwill '54, Marilyn Nelson '54, and Betty Malmborg '55 (1953).

**Above:** Steve Benson '63 and Elsa Cornell Eckhoff '61 in *Look Homeward, Angel* (1961).

**Opposite:** Cheryl Downey '66 and Susan Pepin '65 in *The Miracle Worker* (1962).



the performance spaces, and increasing the size and scope of the faculty. At the same time, rehearsal processes were made more professional, courses and performances were integrated with the general education program, and cooperation with the music department led to the establishment of biennial musical productions.

These years also saw a big change in the addition and development of the dance program. It began modestly in the 1970s, was stabilized in the early 1980s, and took off with the hiring of Michele Rusinko in 1988. The department's official name was changed in 1989 to the Department of Theatre and Dance. The dance program is currently bursting at the seams, with two full-time faculty members and a variety of part-time staff and choreographers overseeing two dance companies.

According to Gardner, the hiring of Amy Seham in 1997 brought another seismic shift in the focus of the department. With productions like *The Laramie Project* and *Scenes from an Execution*, she has brought a new emphasis on social justice issues, broadening the perspective of students and audiences alike. Seham has also been interested in creating pieces of theatre, most notably *The Tornado Project* in 1998, about the massive storm that devastated the campus earlier that year.

In this climate, a student-run social action theatre group, "I Am . . . We Are," came into existence. They create their own plays on social justice and produce shows about campus life for incoming students, referencing homophobia, racism, and date rape. This group has significantly impacted campus life and represents a partial fulfillment of the College's mission of creating a more just and peaceful world.

Gardner's retirement, along with several other key faculty positions that will be filled in the coming year, means that the department is in another period of transition. New voices will bring new visions that

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November 1976	<i>Couples</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1976	<i>J.B.</i>	William Levis
January 1977	<i>Alice in Wonderland</i>	William Levis
May 1977	<i>The Crucible</i>	William Levis
May 1977	<i>Volpone</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1977	<i>Vazlav</i>	David Olson
November 1977	<i>The Doctor in Spite of Himself</i>	William Levis
November 1977	<i>Precious Ladies</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1977	<i>No Exit</i>	Marcia Gardner
November 1977	<i>Deathwatch</i>	David Olson
November 1977	<i>Jack, or the Submission</i>	William Levis
November 1977	<i>Cecile</i>	David Olson
January 1978	<i>The Sorcerer's Apprentice</i>	Robert Gardner
February 1978	<i>Moonchildren</i>	Todd Wronski
April 1978	<i>Old Times</i>	Robert Gardner
April 1978	<i>Cease Fire</i>	David Olson
May 1978	<i>Once upon A Mattress</i>	William Levis
October 1978	<i>Hedda Gabler</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1978	<i>Miss Julie</i>	Patricia Reynolds
November 1978	<i>Dream Play</i>	David Olson
February 1979	<i>Bus Stop</i>	Dan Conway
March 1979	<i>The Curse of the Starving Class</i>	David Olson
April 1979	<i>The Time of Your Life</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1979	<i>Outcry</i>	Patricia Reynolds
October 1979	<i>Seascape</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1979	<i>Arms and the Man</i>	Patricia Reynolds
February 1980	<i>The Annunciation</i>	David Olson
April 1980	<i>Garden of Paradise</i>	Patricia Reynolds
May 1980	<i>The Taming of the Shrew</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1980	<i>Northern Lights</i>	Robert Gardner
Fall 1980	<i>Godspell</i>	Larry Whiteley
January 1981	<i>Cinderella</i>	Marcia Gardner
April 1981	Original Comedy Revue	Scott Novotne
Oct-Nov. 1981	<i>She Loves Me</i>	Larry Connolly
November 1981	<i>The Glass Menagerie</i>	Pamela Nice
January 1982	<i>The Imaginary Invalid</i>	Larry Connolly
April 1982	<i>The Subject Was Roses</i>	Larry Connolly
May 1982	<i>As You Like It</i>	Pamela Nice
May 1982	<i>The Father</i> (workshop/reading of Connolly's own piece)	Larry Connolly
November 1982	<i>The Physicists</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1982	<i>Ladyhouse Blues</i>	Pamela Nice
January 1983	<i>The Sleeping Beauty</i>	Steven Griffith
March 1983	<i>The Misanthrope</i>	Robert Gardner
April 1983	<i>The Robber Bridegroom</i>	Pamela Nice
October 1983	<i>Sanctuary</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1983	<i>Major Barbara</i>	Pamela Nice
January 1984	<i>The Little Mermaid</i>	Deborah Jean Templin
March 1984	<i>Equus</i>	Pamela Nice
May 1984	<i>You Can't Take It with You</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1984	<i>Still Life</i>	Pamela Nice
November 1984	<i>She Stoops to Conquer</i>	Robert Gardner
January 1985	Story Theatre	Robert Gardner
March 1985	Absurdist One-Acts: <i>The Lesson</i> <i>Dumbwaiter</i> <i>The Interview</i> <i>Footfalls</i> <i>Rockabye</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1985	<i>The Man of La Mancha</i>	Pamela Nice
October 1985	<i>Skirmishes</i>	Cindy Goatley
November 1985	<i>Antigone</i>	Robert Gardner
January 1986	<i>Paul Bunyan</i>	Curt Tofteland
February 1986	<i>The Miss Firecracker Contest</i>	Cynthia Goatley
May 1986	<i>The Merchant of Venice</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1986	<i>All My Sons</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1986	<i>Working</i>	Cynthia Goatley
January 1987	<i>The Ugly Duckling</i>	Megan Genest
February 1987	<i>Cloud Nine</i>	Cynthia Goatley

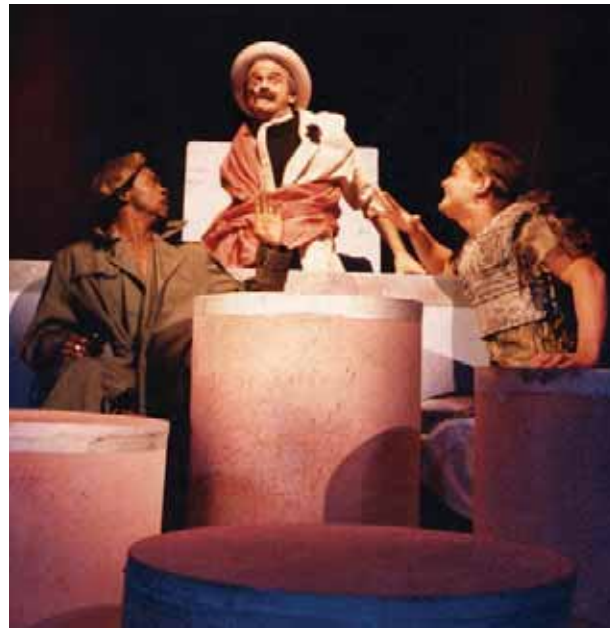
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Date	Play	Director
May 1987	<i>Lysistrata II: On to the Summit</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1987	<i>Aunt Dan and Lemon</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1987	<i>The Playboy of the Western World</i>	Marguerite Folger
January 1988	<i>The Alleyway Gospel</i>	Michael Kovic; Marguerite Folger
March 1988	<i>Taking Steps</i>	Marguerite Folger
May 1988	<i>A Time on Earth</i>	Per Sjostrand
October 1988	<i>Ourselves Alone</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1988	<i>Candida</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
March 1989	<i>Agnes of God</i>	Joel Olson
May 1989	<i>Tartuffe</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
October 1989	<i>Choices</i>	Margery Mason; Johanna Kleeberg
November 1989	<i>Romeo and Juliet</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1990	<i>Ruddigore</i>	Stephen Crosby
November 1990	<i>Caucasian Chalk Circle</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
February 1991	<i>Marat/Sade</i>	Stephen Crosby
May 1991	<i>Find Hakamadare</i>	Robert Gardner
September 1991	<i>Duet for One</i>	Nanci Olesen
November 1991	<i>Into the Woods</i>	Robert Gardner
February 1992	<i>The Seagull</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1992	<i>The Heidi Chronicles</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
November 1992	<i>The Crucible</i>	Robert Gardner
March 1993	<i>Tales of the Lost Formicans</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1993	<i>Measure for Measure</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
November 1993	<i>Anything Goes</i>	Robert Gardner
April 1994	<i>Emil's Enemies</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1994	<i>Women of Troy</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
October 1994	<i>Death and the Maiden</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1994	<i>Crimes of the Heart</i>	Keith Oliver
March 1995	<i>By Degrees</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
April 1995	<i>Servant of Two Masters</i>	Keith Oliver
November 1995	<i>Doors and Stairs</i>	Sergei Kokovin
February 1996	<i>Chicago</i>	Robert Gardner
April 1996	<i>Dancing at Lughnasa</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
October 1996	<i>Arcadia</i>	Robert Gardner
March 1997	<i>The Glass Menagerie</i>	Johanna Kleeberg
May 1997	<i>Marriage</i>	Robert Gardner
October 1997	<i>Mad Forest</i>	Amy Seham
November 1997	<i>Six Characters in Search of an Author</i>	Robert Gardner
February 1998	<i>Wonderful Town</i>	Amy Seham
May 1998	<i>Twelfth Night</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1998	<i>The School for Scandal</i>	Amy Seham
March 1999	<i>Ah, Wilderness!</i>	Robert Gardner
May 1999	<i>The Tornado Project</i>	Amy Seham
October 1999	<i>The Adding Machine</i>	Robert Gardner
November 1999	<i>Tiresias: The Musical</i>	Amy Seham
February 2000	<i>Carousel</i>	Robert Gardner
May 2000	<i>The Art of Dining</i>	Amy Seham
October 2000	<i>Heathen Valley</i>	Robert Gardner
November 2000	<i>Joe Egg</i>	Amy Seham
March 2001	<i>Defying Gravity</i>	Robert Gardner
May 2001	<i>Macbeth</i>	Amy Seham
October 2001	<i>The Marriage of Bette and Boo</i>	Robert Gardner
November 2001	<i>Heartbreak House</i>	Natalya Baldyga
February 2002	<i>The Threepenny Opera</i>	Amy Seham
May 2002	<i>Balm in Gilead</i>	Rick Snyder
October 2002	<i>Spinning into Butter</i>	Robert Gardner
November 2002	<i>Translations</i>	Amy Seham
February 2003	<i>Big Love</i>	Robert Gardner
May 2003	<i>Tartuffe</i>	Amy Seham
October 2003	<i>The Laramie Project</i>	Amy Seham
November 2003	<i>Footprints</i>	Robert Gardner
February 2004	<i>Good News</i>	Robert Gardner
May 2004	<i>Scenes from an Execution</i>	Amy Seham
October 2004	<i>Mr. Bundy</i>	Robert Gardner
November 2004	<i>The Miss Firecracker Contest</i>	Rick Snyder
May 2005	<i>All's Well That Ends Well</i>	Robert Gardner

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**Top:** A sitting room scene from *The Three Sisters* (1973).  
**Above:** James McCray '87, Peter Breitmayer '87, and Peter Krause '87 in *Lysistrata II: On to the Summit* (1987).  
**Opposite:** Experiment with an Air Pump (2006).





will shape the future of the department. But it seems clear that efforts will continue to broaden the scope of the program, including developing a focus on cultures outside our own and increasing the international dimension.

A lot has changed in 75 years. The Gustavus Department of Theatre and Dance has been through several golden ages. And this is only the beginning. Proposals are in the works to refurbish Anderson Theatre and to create a new Black Box space. These would accommodate more student work and allow other rehearsal and performance space for the dance program. As new personalities shape the future, the high standards that have been set since the beginning of the department will carry it forward into a glorious future. 

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## A CELEBRATION OF 75 YEARS OF THEATRE AT GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS COLLEGE

May 11–13, 2007

*In 1931, the faculty of Gustavus Adolphus College affirmed the place of dramatics in the College's curriculum. Theatre at Gustavus officially dates from the first faculty-directed play staged during the 1931–32 academic year and has been a continuous and important presence on campus ever since.*

*Join us as we celebrate 75 years of theatre!*

### SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND

#### Friday, May 11

Reception at the President's House, 6 p.m.

#### Saturday, May 12

Facility tours, 9–10:30 a.m.

Brunch in Alumni Hall, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome – Linda Gulder Huett '66

History and Dreams – Rob Gardner, Michele Rusinko, and alumni voices

Group photo in costumes, Alumni Hall, noon

"Decadal Cuttings," Alumni Hall, 1:30 p.m.

Emcee – Steve Benson '63

Selected readings, one play to represent each decade  
Alumni reminiscences

Anniversary Dinner in Alumni Hall, 5 p.m.

Accolades to Steve Griffith '75 and Jan Jensen

Performance of *The Tempest*, Anderson Theatre, 7 p.m.

Post-performance reception in Melva Lind Interpretive Center  
Accolades to Rob Gardner

#### Sunday, May 13

Informal breakfast, Evelyn Young Dining Room, 9–10:30 a.m.

Final performance of *The Tempest*, Anderson Theatre, 2 p.m.

**For more information and reservations,  
contact Barbara Larson Taylor '93,  
Office of Alumni Relations (507/933-7515).**

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Sept.-Oct. 2005	<i>Clockworks: Einstein Time</i>	Amy Seham
November 2005	<i>The Children's Hour</i>	Robert Gardner
February 2006	<i>Bat Boy: The Musical</i>	Amy Seham
May 2006	<i>Electra</i>	Robert Gardner
November 2006	<i>An Experiment with an Air Pump</i>	Robert Gardner
February 2007	<i>The Cherry Orchard</i>	Robert Gardner
May 2007	<i>The Tempest</i>	Amy Seham




# Sports notes

## Harren eighth at NCAA Championships, All-America for second consecutive year

**H**ailey Harren completed her standout cross country career with an eighth-place finish at the 2006 NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships, held in West Chester, Ohio. Harren recorded a time of 23:12 over the 6,000 meter course, which was 40 seconds behind overall champion Sarah Zerzan of Willamette.

Harren, who was attempting to become only the third individual in NCAA Division III women's history to win two individual national titles, came up just short of making history. The race was run in very difficult conditions as heavy rains in the West Chester area left the course essentially under water.

The senior from Cold Spring, Minn., becomes only the third runner from Gustavus to earn back-to-back All-America honors, following Dana Peterson and Kara Bloomquist in 1994 and 1995. She is the first to ever post back-to-back top 10 finishes.

The 2006 season was a special one for Harren as she won every race that she competed in with the exception of the national meet. She won the MIAC individual title for the second consecutive year and was named MIAC Female Runner of the Year, and she also won the NCAA Central Region Meet for the second consecutive year and was named the Central Region Runner of the Year. 



*Harren, on course at the NCAA championships, in West Chester, Ohio, which featured deep mud and standing water.*

*The 2006 MIAC co-champion men's soccer team – front row from left:*

*Jack Underwood, Matt Strom, Gabe Joyes, Dane Espenson, Flynn Stewart-Franzen, Skylar Schulz; middle row: Benny Eriksson, Stefan Kolis, JT Johnson, Vince Oldre, Neil Nelson, Matt Broin, Mike Butterworth, Dan Suchy, Ryan Butduhn, Ben Heupel, Jesus Espina-Velosa; back row: Fraser Horton, Sam Barthell, Dane Obermeyer, Alex Groth, Tyler Garry, Trevor Brown, TJ Johnson, Chris Adams, and Tim Gendron.*






## Volleyball Coach Kari Eckheart named MIAC Coach of Year



*Kari Eckheart has been head coach for Gustavus volleyball for ten seasons.*

**G**ustavus volleyball coach Kari Eckheart was honored by the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference as co-Coach of the Year for her efforts in directing the Gusties to a second-place finish and a record of 9–2 in regular-season conference play. Eckheart shared the honor with Tim Mosser of Concordia and Gina Rollie of Hamline.

Eckheart, who just completed her tenth season as head coach, helped her squad post the program's best record (9–2) and highest finish (second place) in 20 years. She molded a solid group of returnees with a talented group of newcomers into one of the finest teams in the MIAC. The Gusties were the #2 seed in the MIAC post-season tournament and earned a first-round bye. In the semi-finals, Gustavus was knocked out of the tournament by St. Ben's 3–1 in a hard-fought match.

Eckheart has compiled a record of 151–133 overall and 56–54 in the MIAC over the past 10 seasons. In the past three years, Eckheart has directed her squads to a record of 51–27 overall and 22–11 in the MIAC, including conference finishes of second (2006), third (2004), and fifth (2005). 



*Gustavus Adolphus College, in cooperation with the Artisan Gallery in Mankato, Minn., is offering a limited-edition fine art print commemorating the final football game played at Hollingsworth Field against Augsburg College on October 28, 2006. The print, which is 16 x 24 inches, was created by Brian Fowler and can be purchased for \$59.00 unframed.*

*Framed prints range from \$130 to \$250. For more information, visit the Artisan Gallery's website ([theartisangallery.net](http://theartisangallery.net)) or call Brian Fowler at the Artisan Gallery (507/345-7196).*

## Fall Sports Summary

*by Tim Kennedy '82*

**Football** – The Gustavus football team finished the season with four consecutive victories to post a record of 6–4 overall and 4–4 in the MIAC (fifth place). Coach Jay Schoenebeck's squad posted wins over Willamette, Hamline, Macalester, Augsburg, Concordia, and Carleton. Five players were named to the all-conference team including senior linebacker Adam Miron (Princeton, Minn. – first team), junior linebacker Jared Sieling (Watertown, Minn. – first team), senior defensive tackle Nick David (Morristown, Minn. – second team), senior defensive back Kevin Hegland (St. Michael, Minn. – second team), junior quarterback/kicker Jordan Stolp (Mankato, Minn. – second team), and sophomore offensive lineman Jared Thelemann (Kilkenny, Minn. – second team). Senior defensive back Brian Evans (Gaylord, Minn.) was named to the MIAC Sportsmanship Team.

**Men's Soccer** – The Gusties were co-champions of the MIAC (with St. John's) during the regular season with a record of 9–1–0 and won the MIAC playoff championship for the third time in the last four years with a 2–0 win over Hamline. Coach Larry Zelenz's squad earned its fourth consecutive bid to the NCAA tournament and was selected to host a sectional tournament. The Gusties defeated Loras 1–0 in the first round and then suffered a heartbreaking 1–0 loss to Wartburg in the sectional championship game. The team finished the season with a record of 17–2–1 overall and was ranked #22 in the final National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Division III poll. Senior midfielder Matt Broin (Minnetonka, Minn.), junior forward Mike Butterworth (Anchorage, Alaska), and senior goalkeeper Tyler Garry (Sioux Falls, S.D.) were all named to the all-conference and all-region teams. Senior forward Alex Groth, (Waupaca, Wis.) was named to the MIAC Sportsmanship Team.

**Women's Soccer** – Coach Mike Stehlik's squad closed out the season on a three-match win streak and finished sixth in the MIAC with a mark of 5–4–2 (8–8–1 overall). Twelve of the Gusties' 16 matches were decided by one goal and six went into overtime. Senior forward Amy Larson (Bloomington, Minn.) and senior defender Shannon Quealy (Plymouth, Minn.) were both named to the all-conference team. Larson was also named to the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-District Team along with senior midfielders Liz Petersen (Stillwater, Minn.) and Alison Rethwisch (Lakeville, Minn.).

**Volleyball** – The Gustavus volleyball team posted its best conference record in 20 years, finishing with a regular season conference mark of 9–2, good for second place. The Gusties earned a first-round bye in the MIAC playoffs, but then lost in the semifinals to St. Ben's, 3–1. Coach Kari Eckheart's squad placed second at the Sugar Loaf Invitational and third at the Pikes Peak Classic during the season. Junior setters Andrea Kron (Cold Spring, Minn.) and Jennifer Thelemann (Le Sueur, Minn.) were named to the all-conference team. Kron, who became the 11th player at Gustavus to compile 1,000 career kills during the season, was also named to the MIAC Sportsmanship Team.

**Men's Cross Country** – Coach Jed Friedrich's runners completed their season with an eighth-place finish (out of 12 teams) at the MIAC championships and an eighth-place finish (out of 23 teams) at the NCAA Central Region meet. At the conference meet, held at Como Park Golf Course in St. Paul, the team was led by junior Chris deLaubenfels (Mount Vernon, Iowa), who earned all-conference honors with a 14th-

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## Fall Sports Summary

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place finish. Sophomore Dan Foley (Minneapolis, Minn.) crossed the finish line right behind deLaubenfels in 17th place. At the region meet, Foley led the way with a 38th-place finish, while deLaubenfels placed 41st.

**Women's Cross Country** – The Gusties wrapped up their season with a fourth-place finish at the MIAC championships and an eighth-place finish at the NCAA Central Region meet. Coach Jed Friedrich's squad finished one point behind St. Olaf in a battle for third place at the conference meet. Senior Hailey Harren (Cold Spring, Minn.) finished first individually, while teammate Sarah Bernhardson (Eden Prairie, Minn.) placed seventh. Both earned all-conference honors. At the region meet, Harren claimed the individual title for the second year in a row, while Bernhardson earned all-region honors with a 26th-place finish.


**Men's Tennis** – The Gustavus men's tennis team once again hosted the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Midwest Regional Tournament in early October, and three Gustavus players claimed the singles and doubles titles. Senior Jesse Brauer (Mankato, Minn.) won the singles title, defeating teammate Andy Bryan (Edina, Minn.) 4–6, 6–2, 7–6 (8–6) in the championship match. In the doubles draw, sophomores Mike Burdakin (Bettendorf, Iowa) and Charlie Paukert (Grand Forks, N.D.), who were seeded fifth, surprised teammates Brauer and Bryan 6–4, 1–6, 10–8 to claim the title. At the ITA Small College Championships, Brauer posted a mark of 1–2 in three matches and finished in seventh place, while Burdakin and Paukert won their first match but then dropped the next two to finish in fourth place.

**Women's Tennis** – The Gustavus women's tennis team took part in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Midwest Regional hosted by Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. Senior Lauren Hom (Stevens Point, Wis.) had a successful weekend as she advanced to the semifinals in singles and the finals in doubles with partner Sierra Krebsbach (North Oaks, Minn.). In singles play, Hom lost to eventual champion Molly Fiala of Coe 5–7, 4–6 in the semifinals, while in doubles play, Hom and Krebsbach, who were seeded second, lost to top-seeded Amanda Santa-Romana and Elicza Buys of Carthage 8–9 (5–7 in the tiebreaker) in the championship match.

**Men's Golf** – Coach Scott Moe's squad turned in a solid fall season to currently be ranked 12th in Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA) Division III poll. The highlight of the fall season was a second-place finish at the MIAC championship. Senior Erik Tone (Willmar, Minn.) led the team at the conference tournament, finishing second individually and earning all-conference honors. Joining Tone on the all-conference team were juniors Jordan Hawkinson (Chisago Lakes, Minn.), who finished fifth, and Eric Harris (Eden Prairie, Minn.), who placed ninth.

**Women's Golf** – The Gustavus women's golf team recorded a strong fall season, winning two tournaments (the UW-Eau Claire Invite and the Division III Midwest Classic), and finishing second at the MIAC championship. First-year Kali Griggs (Burnsville, Minn.; fourth), junior Rachel Roberg (Rice Lake, Wis.; sixth), and sophomore Kimbra Kosak (Grand Rapids, Minn.; tenth) earned all-conference honors by placing in the top ten at conference tournament. Gustavus enters the spring season ranked second in the National Golf Coaches Association (NGCA) Division III poll. 

## Emily Klein named MIAC Co-Defensive Player of the Year

**G**ustavus sophomore libero Emily Klein (Red Wing, Minn.) was named co-Defensive Player of the Year by the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference volleyball coaches. Klein, who anchored the Gustie defense, shattered two school records during the season, including digs in a match with 46 and digs in a season with 648 (the previous mark was 630 set by Linn Erickson '87 in 1985), and she became the first player in the program's history to compile 1,000 digs in her first two seasons of competition. She currently ranks second in career kills with 1,067 and needs just 160 digs next season to become the all-time digs leader at Gustavus. Klein led the MIAC in digs with 309 and in digs per game at 6.87. She is the second Gustie player to earn Defensive Player of the Year honors, following Chrissy Homeier '02 who was honored in 2001. 



Emily Klein

## Golf program adds simulator

**S**upport from alumni and friends of the Gustavus men's and women's golf programs has enabled the purchase of an indoor golf simulator to allow for year-round practice and play. Made by a San Diego-based company called Full Swing Golf, the simulator projects customized practice ranges or one of 50 championship courses on a nylon screen, into which a player can hit actual golf balls with regulation clubs. After the ball hits the screen, the simulator creates a video image of the real-time ball flight. The ball's path is measured by sensors in the floor and walls that take three readings of the ball's position, even picking up spin. Courses available to play include The Old Course at St. Andrews, Pebble Beach, Pinehurst, Oakmont, Torrey Pines, Valderrama, Big Horn, Castle Pines, Kapalua, Troon North, and Bay Hill. **Jordan Hawkinson '08** is pictured with **Scott Moe '95**, men's and women's golf coach and instructor in health and exercise science. 





## Lindau gift establishes symposium

A gift to Gustavus Adolphus College from Phil '58 and Nancy Lindau given prior to Phil's death last April will establish a symposium at Gustavus Adolphus College that will bear his name. The first Lindau Symposium, which the Lindau family and College officials anticipate will be an annual event, will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2007, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall, and will feature the Rev. Richard John Neuhaus, a conservative Catholic intellectual whose topic will be "Religion in American Public Life."


Phil Lindau, a commodities trader and executive who served Gustavus as a board member, campaign chair, and longtime volunteer leader, was passionate about the faith-life intersection and the church-relatedness of his alma mater. The symposium established in his honor aims to provide a forum in which diverse intellectual voices and mainstream beliefs and values can be brought together in a liberal arts environment. Future topics may encompass economics, politics, and stewardship, according to Chris Gilbert, professor of

political science who is coordinating the program.

The inaugural Lindau Symposium speaker, Richard John Neuhaus, argues that religious ideas and voices—particularly Christian ones—have a place in American public life. For 30 years an activist pastor at St. John the Evangelist Lutheran Church in Brooklyn, N.Y., Neuhaus grew disillusioned with cultural revolution and liberation theology in the mid-'70s and became a leading advocate of "democratic capitalism" and a critic of liberalism. In 1984 he published *The Naked Public Square: Religion and Democracy in America*, which asserted that secular voices and big government had crowded religion out of the "public square."

In 1990 Neuhaus converted to Catholicism, a move that sent shock waves through Lutheran circles due to his prominence as a Lutheran theologian. He was ordained a Catholic priest a year later.

Neuhaus is founder and director of the Institute on Religion and Public Life in New York City and editor of *First Things*, an ecumenical journal notable for its commitment to Catholic orthodoxy and its ties to conservative political ideas. His most recent book is *Catholic Matters: Confusion, Controversy, and the Splendor of Truth* (2006).

The Lindau Symposium is open to the College community and the public without charge. 




Phil Lindau '58

## Friends of Music to support student-musicians

Vice President for Institutional Advancement Brenda Moore has announced the formation of a "friends of music" group to assist with scholarship and tour support for Gustavus music students.


Gustavus Friends of Music is a network of alumni, parents, and friends who seek to make a difference in the lives of student-musicians at the College. Goals of the initiative are 1) to provide funding for the Jussi Björling Music Scholarships, the department's primary award for recruiting music students with extraordinary talent and potential for success; 2) to underwrite and enhance ensemble tours, which complement each student-musician's course of study and at the same time strengthen the College's visibility in the larger community; and 3) to lay a foundation for continued success and future growth of the Department of Music.

Individuals wishing to join in this initiative may contact the Office of Gift Planning at Gustavus (800/726-6192 or [giftplanning@gustavus.edu](mailto:giftplanning@gustavus.edu)) for more details. The group is already helping to provide music scholarships to students who might not otherwise be able to afford the cost of a Gustavus education. With your assistance, the gift of music may be multiplied: Music at Gustavus, in the form of coursework and performances, becomes music *from* Gustavus—those professors and teachers, conductors and performers, and others who have music-related vocations or avocations and who do so much to enrich their communities everywhere. 

## New advancement professionals

Two new team members joined the institutional advancement staff on January 15.

**Kari Clark '91** fills the gift planner position left vacant when Teresa Harland '93 was promoted to associate vice president for advancement. Since graduating from William Mitchell Law School in 1995, Clark had spent the majority of her planned-giving career working for Childrens Hospital in St. Paul. She will work from her Twin Cities home.

**Tony Pasiak** has been hired as associate director of the Gustavus Fund, a position created as a part of the College's campaign readiness strategy. Tony has spent most of his career doing annual fund/alumni relations work for his alma mater, Hamilton College, a private liberal arts college located in New York. He recently moved to St. Peter and had been commuting to Normandale Community College, where he worked with that school's annual fund. Tony's wife, Katie, works as a forensic psychologist at the state hospital in St. Peter. 

# 2006–2007 Alumni Fund report

Results through December 31, 2006;  
Alumni Fund year closes May 31, 2007.

To make your gift prior to May 31,  
go online to [www.gustavus.edu](http://www.gustavus.edu) or call 866/487-3863

## First Decade (1997–2006)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
2006	33	4.7%	\$740.06	Eckman/Forbes/Olson/Parks/Peterson/Swenson
2005	30	4.6%	\$2,485.84	Hansen/Lewis/Michaletz/Neitzke/Nelson/Shipley
2004	48	7.6%	\$1,855.46	Frie/Michael/Nelson/Williams
2003	53	8.2%	\$4,467.41	Beer/Gusenius/Rowland/Wilcox
2002	55	8.6%	\$11,153.33	Katherine Oleson and Karen Warkentien
2001	55	9.8%	\$3,075.31	Hal DeLaRosby and Cassie Larson
2000	52	8.6%	\$6,207.00	Corey Bartlett and Bonnie Dahlke
1999	53	9.4%	\$8,212.80	Phil Eidsvold and Jesse Torgerson
1998	49	9.3%	\$3,998.41	Gigi Dobosenski and Erin Halverson
1997	72	12.6%	\$8,512.73	LeVesque-Piela/Peterson/Swanson/Tucker
<b>Total</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>\$50,708.35</b>	

## Second Decade (1987–1996)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1996	75	14.3%	\$11,458.45	Shawn Mayfield and Allie Newman
1995	54	10.2%	\$4,733.68	Sara Tollefson Currell and Amy Seidel
1994	56	11.6%	\$24,894.71	Munsterman/Ripken/Zinsli
1993	67	13.4%	\$6,493.50	Craig Anderson and Kris Lamont
1992	87	16.6%	\$8,203.36	Annie Marshall
1991	83	14.1%	\$21,516.82	Kim Osland
1990	66	12.7%	\$10,239.30	Batz/Michel/Miller/Nelson
1989	59	11.4%	\$18,625.00	Anderson/Dueber/Mocchi
1988	58	12.0%	\$76,635.25	Ericson/Hagen/Pieper/Quackenbush
1987	67	16.5%	\$17,150.10	Fahrenz/Harstad/Koch/Pearse
<b>Total</b>	<b>672</b>	<b>13.3%</b>	<b>\$199,950.17</b>	

## Third Decade (1977–1986)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1986	77	15.9%	\$9,528.74	Melinda Batz, Dan Murray, Sara Rekow
1985	66	14.6%	\$21,570.00	Susan Chwalek
1984	81	16.2%	\$16,815.19	Carole Arwidson and Ken Ericson
1983	83	16.5%	\$27,850.87	Brad Somero and Karin Stone
1982	100	21.3%	\$72,864.84	J.C. Anderson, Richard Olson, Ann Wasson
1981	108	23.5%	\$17,456.04	Steve Heim and Leslie Nielsen
1980	97	20.3%	\$52,253.02	Steve Sayre and Kent Stone
1979	69	15.6%	\$49,210.67	(Position open)
1978	68	16.0%	\$12,801.50	Mike Stanch
1977	67	15.4%	\$25,187.50	Al Behrends and Terri Delebo
<b>Total</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>17.5%</b>	<b>\$305,538.37</b>	

## Fourth Decade (1967–1976)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1976	76	18.4%	\$35,251.31	Ginny Leppart and Bruce Olson
1975	82	21.1%	\$85,747.34	Paul Heckt
1974	64	19.4%	\$100,082.50	Rob Linner and Jan Michaletz
1973	80	19.5%	\$16,907.50	Matt Peterson
1972	75	20.0%	\$14,697.84	Todd Dokken and Melanie Thornberg
1971	64	17.3%	\$13,673.00	Bruce Johnson
1970	69	21.6%	\$24,510.72	Karol Greupner and Lindy Purdy
1969	85	22.8%	\$51,218.81	Dave and Jane Leitzman
1968	88	25.7%	\$14,132.50	John and Kris Moorhead, Paula Navarro
1967	57	25.7%	\$25,178.98	(Position open)
<b>Total</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>21.2%</b>	<b>\$381,400.50</b>	

## Fifth Decade (1957–1966)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1966	61	25.0%	\$47,861.85	Sharon Engman, Joyce Ramseth, Mary Slinde
1965	70	28.5%	\$16,869.25	Bev Hedeon and Elaine Stenman
1964	70	29.3%	\$21,320.85	Linda Hallman and Joanna Swanson
1963	66	26.6%	\$17,742.50	William Lahti and Paul Tillquist
1962	81	33.9%	\$257,915.65	Sandra Buendorf, Jan Hoomani, Ben Leadholm
1961	87	42.0%	\$39,646.55	Virgene Sehlin
1960	86	38.7%	\$75,863.37	Dennis Johnson
1959	78	36.1%	\$19,607.50	Carol Heyl
1958	68	36.0%	\$19,464.88	Owen Sammelson
1957	74	40.5%	\$43,092.10	Nancy Grimes, Clem and Marlys Nelson
<b>Total</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>33.7%</b>	<b>\$559,384.50</b>	

## Sixth Decade (1947–1956)

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1956	61	37.2%	\$45,380.02	Carolyn Brusseau and JoAnn Lundborg
1955	64	44.8%	\$61,630.63	Dick DeRemee
1954	60	42.9%	\$16,632.59	Forrest Chaffee and Helen Hokenson
1953	72	40.0%	\$20,041.63	Thomas Boman and Marv Larson
1952	56	34.8%	\$17,599.50	Barb Krig
1951	82	34.8%	\$38,938.96	Dorothy Lutz
1950	78	41.7%	\$39,564.86	Gloria Benson
1949	50	34.3%	\$12,220.00	Peter Erickson
1948	24	29.3%	\$14,615.00	Lorrie Leaf
1947	20	33.3%	\$3,688.13	Bob Wieman
<b>Total</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>37.3%</b>	<b>\$270,311.32</b>	

## Seventh Decade

Class	Donors	% Part.	Alumni Fund	Class Agent(s)
1946	22	33.3%	\$29,782.50	Arlene Higgins
1945	15	30.6%	\$2,275.00	
1944	13	29.6%	\$1,120.36	
1943	37	50.7%	\$5,039.00	Elmer Anderson and S. Bernhard Erling
1942	26	40.6%	\$1,166,504	C. Eddie Johnson
1941	11	25.0%	\$16,480.00	Charles Lusk
1940	10	31.3%	\$6,081.00	Carl Lofgren and Evelyn Pearson
1939	11	52.4%	\$1,967.50	Carl and Miriam Manfred
1938	8	50.0%	\$59,635.50	Frank Gamelin
1937	5	25.0%	\$10,975.50	Frank Gamelin
1936	0	0.0%	\$0.00	
1935	4	40.0%	\$125.00	
1934	3	37.5%	\$52,855.00	
1933	2	50.0%	\$380.00	Ruth Larson
1932	0	0.0%	\$0.00	
1931	0	0.0%	\$0.00	
1930	2	40.0%	\$6,087.50	Hildur Anderson Swenson
1929	0	0.0%	\$0.00	
1928	1	33.3%	\$0.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	<b>\$1,359,307.86</b>	



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## Gustavus Alumni Association

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**Class news and information to be included in the Alumni section of the Quarterly should be sent to:**

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### Winiacki climbs Denali solo

While growing up, **Mitchell Winiacki '06** was always intrigued with Denali (Mt. McKinley), the highest peak in North America at 20,320 feet. He got his shot at the mountain this past summer while on an internship in Alaska. After flying into Denali's base camp, Winiacki and his climbing partner hauled their gear for over four days to a camp at 11,000 feet. But before ascending to the next camp at 14,000 feet, Winiacki's partner quit. At 16,000 feet Winiacki buried his food in the snow and then went back down to acclimatize. At 17,000 feet he met up with two men; they were snowed in a few days before ascending to 18,500 feet, where they encountered whiteout conditions, forcing them back to the camp at 17,000 feet. While descending, the lead climber fell as the trail gave way and pulled Winiacki off the mountain. The trailing climber and Winiacki jammed their ice axes into the ground and stopped the lead's fall. When they got back to camp, the other two told Winiacki they were going to quit.

Determined to reach the summit, Winiacki rested for a day before ascending to 17,000 feet and getting snowed in again, this time for four days. Despite 40- to 50-mph winds and a -30° F. temperature, he reached the summit and celebrated for about two minutes before beginning his descent. With frozen hands and no partner, a photo was not taken at the top, but he does have this shot from the climb. "I try not to view it as a victory over the mountain," he says about his feat, "but rather if you're going to climb, you have respect for it."



# GUSTAVUS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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## Football 50 Year Club Homecoming gathering

Members of the Football 50 Year Club returned for Homecoming last October 7 to celebrate their friendships and history.

Seated from left are **Red Malcolm '50, Bill Olsen '48, Bob Collison '50, Charlie Hardt '53, Gerry Cady '49, and Dale Scholl '49.** In the second row are **Jack Westin '59, Willie Lindquist, Gary Gustafson '57, Bob Smith '51, Marv Gunderson '53, Don Swanson '55, Ron Nelson '53, Fred Tidstrom '51, Cliff Straka '55, Moose Malmquist '53, Bud Peterson '57, Roger Krantz '53, and Smalley McEwen '54.** In the back row are **Lowell McEwen '52, Dick Faye '59, Larry Baker '56, Jerry Kopschke '53, Roger Carlson '54, Gene Sandvig '57, Ray Lundquist '51, Don Roberts '56, Buzz Flolid '59, Bob Gove '46, Haldo Norman '52, and Bud Lindberg '47.**

## 33 Class Agent:

*Ruth Snyder Larson*

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**Marvin Holt,** Plymouth, was honored by Minnesota congressman Jim Ramstad for his military service in WWII and the Korean War.

## 37 Class Agents:

*Frank '38 and Ruth  
Vikner Gamelin*

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**Bernhard LeVander,** Arden Hills, has written his memoirs, titled *Call Me Pete.*

## 41 Class Agent:

*Charles Lusk*

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**Bessie Hobart Chenault,** Austin, TX, started a Bible study at the assisted living community where she lives.

## 42 Class Agent:

*C. Eddie Johnson*

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**Esther Marie Johnson Edman,** Fairmont, is on the board of trustees of the Fairmont Hospital Foundation and the finance committee of the Red Rock Center for the Arts ■ **Pearl Horman Johnson,** Duluth, after 23 years, retired as docent at Glensheen Mansion ■ **Marvin Palmquist,** St. Croix Falls, WI, is director of the Lutheran Orient Mission Society ■ **Walter Youngquist,** Eugene, OR, is a consulting geologist and author.

## 43 Class Agents:

*Elmer Anderson,  
S. Bernhard Erling*

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**Rosalie Brahee Anderson,** Hillsboro, ND, went on a Nature Conservancy trip to the San Luis Valley area ■ **Gen Jensen Deggendorf,** Salisbury, MD, traveled this fall to Paris ■ **Ardene Claude Friest,** Rockford, IL, volunteers for the Swedish American Hospital ■ **Renee Wettergren,** wife of **Robert Wettergren,** St. Peter, MN, died on December 13, 2006.

## 44 Class Agent:

*position open*

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**Margaret Anderson Brakel,** West Chester, PA, enjoys playing organ and chess and traveled this year to California and Australia ■ **Lorraine Holmgren Jacobson,** Bricelyn, has two grandchildren at Gustavus and another starting next year ■ **Betty Hedlin Olson,** Peoria, AZ, is a teacher assistant at Montessori Kingdom of Learning.

## 45 Class Agent:

*position open*

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**Mary Ann Peters Anderson,** Fergus Falls, and husband, **Paul Anderson '47,** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and traveled this year to Sweden and Germany.

## 47 Class Agent:

*Bob Wieman*

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**B. Kent Blackhurst,** Medford, OR, retired as an attorney at Hornecker Cowling ■ **Hiram Drache,** Fargo, ND, received the Oak Grove Lutheran High School, Fargo, ND, "Living the Mission" Award, the highest award given by the school. He also completed *A Century in the Park*, the definitive history of Oak Grove Lutheran High School since its founding 100 years ago ■ **Harold Odland,** Bloomington, is a retired Fourth District judge but still sits on court periodicals.

## 48 Class Agent:

*Lorrie Johnson Leaf*

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**Harold Mattke,** St. Louis Park, traveled this fall to California ■ **Karl Sturnick,** Olympia, WA, is active playing bridge, pool, and poker, and enjoys the theatre.

## 49 Class Agent:

*Pete Erickson*

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**Dotti Olson Benjamin,** Redondo Beach, CA, retired as a real estate agent for Banker Realty ■ **Paul Edstrom,** Eagan, enjoys spending time with his grandchildren (four of the five live in Minnesota) ■ **George Schultz,** Bandera, TX, is visitation pastor at Grace Lutheran Church in Bandera and on the board at Noah's Ark Daycare Center.

**60th  
ANNIVERSARY  
May 25 & 26  
2007**

**50-year  
CLUB  
May 25 & 26  
2007**



Last April **Homer and Joyce Anderson Mattson '44 '43** celebrated their 60th anniversary with family and enjoyed food from a book of recipes Joyce received at her bridal shower.

**50 Class Agent:**  
*Gloria Martell Benson*  
e-mail: 1950classagent@gustavus.edu

**John and Carol Ostgaard Esbjornson**, Willmar, traveled this year to Sweden, Denmark, and Norway with their children ■ **Pete Lokkesmoe**, Elgin, IL, recently moved to the Greens of Elgin.

**51 Class Agent:**  
*Dorothy Johnson Lutz*  
e-mail: 1951classagent@gustavus.edu

**Donn Larson**, Duluth, wrote the historical vignettes for the 75th season of the Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra ■ **Janis Hake Nason**, Omaha, NE, divides time between Omaha, NE and Palm Springs, CA ■ **Marion Odberg Olson**, Minnetonka, plays in the Minneapolis Police Band and Thrivent Senior Band.

**52 Class Agent:**  
*Barb Eckman Krig*  
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**Wally Drotts**, Citrus Heights, CA, works part-time at Fremont Presbyterian Church ■ **Ihleen Nelson Gunderson**, Sioux Falls, SD, is substitute teaching in the Sioux Falls School System ■ **Ona Lee Wittman Iverson**, Sioux City, IA, traveled last summer to Norway ■ **Maynard Jacobson**, Sunfish Lake, is an emeritus professor of medicine at University of Minnesota Medical School ■ **Rod Johnson**, Webster Groves, MO, is a clinical

social worker in private practice ■ **Ellis Jones**, St. Peter, is active organizing seminars for church secretaries and the annual St. David's Day celebration at Gustavus ■ **Paul Lindau**, Beaver Dam, WI, retired as visitation pastor at First Lutheran Church in

Beaver Dam ■ **Clair McRostie**, St. Peter, is owner of McRostie Financial Planning ■ **John Mielke**, Stone Mountain, GA, is president of Aeolus ■ **Richard Pedersen**, Le Sueur, is president of the Mound Cemetery Association ■ **Donald Peterson**, Roswell, GA, is president and owner of Edon, Inc. ■ **Bob Werness**, Bloomington, retired as vice president and funeral director at Werness Brothers Funeral Chapels ■ **Peter Zimmermann**, Munich, Germany, produces television documentaries.

**54 Class Agents:**  
*Forrest Chaffee, Helen Forsgren Hokenson*  
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**Janet Hanson Jones**, St. Peter, retired as a part-time clerical worker at Johnson & Hoehn CPA ■ **Jean Simonson Rolloff**, Moline, IL, enjoys golf, spending time in Maui, and spending time in Chicago with her four grandsons.

**55 Class Agent:**  
*Dick DeRemee*  
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**Anne Ekberg Johnson**, Webster Groves, MO, is a self-employed clinical social worker ■ **Calvin Vaubel**, Edina, retired from the U.S. Treasury Department.

**56 Class Agents:** *Carolyn Jens Brusseau, JoAnn Johnson Lundborg*  
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**Dick Derauf**, Madison, WI, is an account manager at Dairyland Packaging Company.

**57 Class Agents:** *Nancy Reiter Grimes, Clem and Marlys Mattson Nelson*  
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**Jinny Field Cable**, Eaton, CO, travels frequently in her motor home to air

shows where her husband competes ■ **Emily Backlund Cole**, Muscatine, IA, is organist at Zion Lutheran Church ■ **Roger Dahlin**, Springfield, VA, attended an Elderhostel called "The Splendor of Rome" and will be a volunteer pastor during Advent at Cross and Crown Lutheran Church in California ■ **Marcia Halgren Dale**, Long Lake, is part-time organist at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ■ **Lois Wicktor Falk**, Bemidji, is an adjunct staff member at Bemidji State University ■ **Bernadette Anderson Galvin**, Red Wing, volunteers at the local theatre, sings in City of Lakes Chorus, and spends the winter in Phoenix ■ **Beth Carlson Helgoe**, Edina, is a contracting officer for the Federal Aviation Administration ■ **Charles Hendrickson**, St. Peter, is owner and president of Hendrickson Organ Company ■ **Marilyn Rhyne Herr**, Lebanon, NJ, retired as judge in the Superior Court of New Jersey ■ **Richard Hinquist**, Minneapolis, is president/retail management for H.O.B.O. - Galleria ■ **Bruce Johnson**, Corvallis, OR, is an electrician, locksmith, and owner of Service Associates ■ **Gary Knoll**, Benedict, enjoys ice fishing, wood working, hunting, volunteering at church, bicycling, and downhill skiing ■ **Joyce Kirkvold Knoll**, Benedict, is active in Hope Lutheran Church, enjoys sewing, reading, bicycling, downhill skiing, and spending time at the lake ■ **Glenn Leaf**, Winona, is interim pastor in Pine River ■ **Mary Anderson Linder**, Park Rapids, is organist and senior choir accompanist at Calvary Lutheran Church and plays keyboards with the Upper Missisippians and the New Orleans Jazz Band ■ **John Livingston**, Minneapolis, traveled this year to Sweden, Finland, and Vancouver ■ **Willard Lorette**, St. Cloud, works part-time as a district court judge for Stearns County ■ **Roger Lund**, Olympia, WA, and **Connie '59**, are directors of Capital Healing Rooms ■ **Joanna Spooner Lundblad**, Naples, FL, is owner/interior designer for L'Innovation Interiors Inc. ■ **Rodger Lundblad**, Naples, FL, is a board member for the Fairview Foundation ■ **Richard Lurth**, Mankato, is president and owner of Lurth Organ Company ■ **Glenn Mauston**, Placida, FL, enjoys golf and serves on the church council ■ **Lois Larson Mauston**, Placida, FL, volunteers in her church and community and acts

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in community theatre productions ■ **Clem Nelson**, Shoreview, is president of American Phoenix, Inc. ■ **Martys Mattson Nelson**, Shoreview, is director of the Larks Women's Chorus, and is involved at Incarnation Lutheran Church, and Gustavus Library Associates ■ **Claudia Nimrichter**, Fort Walton Beach, FL, is retired training director for the services squadron at Dover Air Force Base ■ **John Oien**, Santa Barbara, CA, is a sales associate manager at Macy's Department Stores ■ **Barbara Ford Olson**, Plymouth, is a staff physician at the VA Medical Center in St. Cloud ■ **Pat Hoecke Olson**, Menifee, CA, is active at Faith Lutheran Church as a Sunday school teacher and WELCA member ■ **Phyllis Holmberg Olsson**, St. Michael, works part-time at the University of Minnesota on cancer research projects ■ **Phyllis Fox Paulson**, Lake Elmo, watches her granddaughter once a week and is planning a mission trip to Yucatan ■ **John Peterson**, Edina, works part-time selling life insurance ■ **R. John Singh**, Coon Rapids, teaches community adult evening education, supplies vacant pulpit service, and handicaps horses across the country ■ **Bev Bloomquist Todaro**, McLean, VA, is a substitute teacher at Langley High School ■ **Judy Anderson Tucker**, Las Vegas, NV, is taking dance lessons and dances with the Sun City Dance Company ■ **Phyllis Meier Tweton**, Grand Forks, ND, is an administrative assistant at University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Science ■ **Robert Wahman**, Duluth, traveled this year to Bermuda and Costa Rica ■ **Rod Westrum**, Park Rapids, traveled this year to China, Thailand, and Japan.

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**Noel Behne**, Corrales, NM, is senior vice president of business development at First Community Bank ■ **Bill Binger**, Minnetonka, is a watercolor artist, is involved in a computer club, and volunteers with WAMSO ■ **Mike Dale**, Long Lake, is a part-time sales associate at The Foursome Clothing ■ **Jim Edman**, Circleville, OH, traveled this year to Alaska, Costa Rica, and Arizona ■ **Darlene Thompson Kriewall**, Burnsville, and her husband, Duane, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June ■ **Susan Elam O'Connor**, Pemberton Ridge, New Brunswick, recently started taking violin lessons with the concert master of the Symphony New

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## A lifelong connection to Gustavus

by Jan Ledin Michaletz '74  
President, Gustavus Alumni Association



**A**t a holiday social gathering, I was engaged in polite “party conversation” with a Gustavus alumnus who was unaware of my involvement with the Alumni Board. After enthusiastically recounting tales of his four years in college, he shared his opinion that “that alumni group is always trying to get my money.” I was struck by the sentiment that efforts to help the College could be misconstrued as “college vs. alumni.” Or US versus YOU.

The Alumni Board represents everyone who ever attended the College. Using a well-developed network of class agents who gather news about your personal events and accomplishments, we attempt to maintain a connection between people and an institution.

We are currently focusing some of our efforts on ways to engage more alumni in the life of our college. The Engagement Committee is currently charged with the task of planning and executing the second Gusties Gather. This event, which made its debut last August at nearly 60 sites, is national in scope. In neighborhoods all over the country, small groups will meet for coffee or dinner. The purpose is simply to meet other Gusties who live in your area. Several gatherings also included prospective students. During my local gathering, I was struck by the collegiality of people from different generations as they found instant connections. Although we had all had different experiences, there was a commonality that transcended age. If you are willing and able to host a small gathering of Gusties living near you this summer, please contact the Alumni Office. As a board, we hope that these human connections will result in more involvement in the life of the College.

When we graduate from college, we need to find new ways to participate in the life of the school. It's not a case of “us” against the College. The Alumni Association and the Alumni Board seek to find ways to connect alumni with the College to support its mission, its staff, and most importantly, its students. Part of that support is our intentional presence at College events; part of our support is our intentional financial support. And while it becomes the duty of class agents and the Alumni Board to seek ways to increase financial support, we do so out of a belief that the College ought to be supported in its mission to educate young people as well as prepare them for a life of service.

To paraphrase a series of commercials for a popular credit card, here's a breakdown of life during college:

New clothes: \$298.00  
Dorm necessities: \$413.00  
Tuition: \$32,710.00  
Lifelong Gustavus connection: priceless.

We need you to keep the priceless connection.

Brunswick ■ **Barbara Jensen Olson**, Atlanta, GA, enjoys spending time with three grandchildren, who all live within one mile of her.

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**Bruce Heyl**, Menasha, WI, is a part-time psychiatrist ■ **Jeanette Westberg Johnston** and **Cameron Johnston '60**, Moscow, ID, enjoy spending time with their five grandchildren and participating in activities at University of Idaho.

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**Robert Fenske**, Marshall, is commissioner of Lyon County ■ **Byron Helgeson**, Winter Park, FL, is a senior vacation club guide at Disney Vacation Club ■ **Carolyn Kvam-Hansman**, Punta Gorda, FL, traveled this fall to Germany ■ **Clay McCoy**, Winter Park, FL, retired as professor of entomology at University of Florida.

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**Mike Blaese**, New Hope, PA, is vice president, medical affairs for Immune Deficiency Foundation ■ **Roger Fletcher**, Blue Earth, is a self-employed Realtor ■ **Ted Johns** and **Marietta Bittrich Johns '63**, Sunrise Beach, TX, split their time between San Diego, CA, and Austin, TX, and enjoy global travel with Opportunity International ■ **F. Milo Olson**, husband of **Carole Paulson Olson**, Wautoma, WI, and father of Erik '90 and Johanna '94, died on December 24, 2006 ■ **Lowell Rasmussen**, Nevis, splits time between Nevis and Florida.

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**Dennis L. Anderson**, Tucson, AZ, divides time between Duluth, MN, and Tucson, AZ ■ **Jackie Falk Anderson**, Bloomington, is a substitute teacher in the Minneapolis and Eden Prairie ISD ■ **Jim Anderson**, Rochester, is owner of All Vehicle Sale ■ **Karen M. Anderson**, San Francisco, CA, is a self-employed “stager”/interior design for Stagecoach by Karen ■

**Lowell Anderson**, Crawfordsville, IN, retired as interim pastor at Christ Lutheran Church ■ **David Auten**, Selma, CA, is owner of an almond ranch in central California ■ **Joyce Hegland Balstad**, McIntosh, is a blackjack dealer at Shooting Star Casino ■ **Linda Johnson Blanding**, Los Altos, CA, is co-owner of Blanding Properties ■ **Gail Lindsey Breen**, Charlotte, NC, is retired office coordinator for Wachovia ■ **Darrol Bussler**, Waconia, is a professor at Minnesota State University, Mankato ■ **Margo Callaghan**, Sun Lakes, AZ, retired from MPL Enterprise and now sails half the year in Panama and Colombia. She is a translator, author, watercolor artist, and singer ■ **Ann Cheleen**, Golden Valley, retired from teaching in the Robbinsdale ISD ■ **David Christiansen**, Des Moines, IA, is a private practice psychologist ■ **Arthur Collins**, Hayden Lake, ID, is an independent insurance agent ■ **Evi Gustafson Davenport**, Houston, TX, traveled to Morocco last winter ■ **Bill Eckerly**, Cedar Rapids, IA, is self-employed ■ **Matthew Eckman**, Duluth, is a physician at Polinsky Medical Rehab Center & Duluth Clinic ■ **Jan Grack Eggersgluess**, Maple Grove, retired as an adjunct instructor at Concordia College ■ **Myrna Zielske Fish**, Scituate, MA, is a mental health professional in private practice ■ **Sam Forsythe**, Alton Bay, NH, retired as president of Triple S ■ **Terry Frazee**, Spicer, is on the board of directors of the Green Lake Association ■ **Solveig Overdahl Goldstrand**, Plymouth, is a home-maker ■ **Bill Grove**, Alexandria, is a Realtor with Coldwell Banker ■ **Gayle Garven Hanson**, Bloomington, is a physician assistant for Advancements in Dermatology ■ **Steve Hanson**, Osakis, is a family practitioner at the Osakis Medical Center ■ **Alfred Henderson**, Chanhassen, retired as a senior portfolio manager at Ameriprise Financial Services ■ **Reet Lind Henze**, Huntsville, AL, is professor emeritus for University of Alabama in Huntsville ■ **Judy Flom Shoemaker-Hill**, Los Altos, CA, is author of *Lady Lazerus* ■ **Jan Eiffert Hoomani**, Raleigh, NC, is a self-employed commercial real estate broker and property manager ■ **Curt Johnson**, Woodbury, is a Realtor with ReMax Advisors West ■ **Dale Johnson**, Mendota Heights, is a driver for Apple Valley Red-E-Mix Concrete ■ **David L. Johnson**, Lancaster, PA, served last year as interim director of a social service agency and traveled this fall to

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### UM/Morris names building to honor 1954 grad

When **David Johnson '54** became the third chancellor of the University of Minnesota, Morris in 1990, his first home in Morris was a room in Independence Hall, traditionally a student residence hall on the campus. To honor the bond forged with students during Johnson's quarter-long stay at this first residence, UMM renamed the hall in Johnson's honor as David C. Johnson Independence Hall at a ceremony on October 28, with many Gustie friends in attendance. Morris colleagues reminisced that, during his residence, Johnson could be found sitting in the lounge in his pajamas and bathrobe with the students, standing in the lunch line at the resident dining service, and sitting at a random table to talk with whichever students happened to be sitting there.

Gusties in attendance at the naming ceremony were from left **Jo Jensen Tollefson '60**, **Sandra Clark Vollan '57**, **Paul Vollan '57**, **Joan Bonn Wright '55**, **Dick Brubacher '54**, **Janet Christenson Carlson '53**, **Bob Erdman '56**, **Judy Lund Erdman '57**, **Jan Huntington Nelson '61**, **Paul Tillquist '63**, **Dave Johnson '54**, **Ruth Anderson Tillquist '63**, **Steve Benson '63**, **Carol Johnson**, **John Wright '54**, **Dennis Johnson '60**, **Steve Johnson '80**, **Tracey Anderson '86**, and **Diane Klemenhagen '83**. Also at the event but not pictured were **Kristina Johnson DuBoulay '90**, **Herb Halverson '54**, **Barbara Gruse Johnson '54**, and **Nancy Hagberg Johnson '55**.

Tanzania ■ **Gloria J. Johnson**, Plymouth, works at Talbots ■ **R. J. Joseph**, Edina, is a real estate agent for Twin City GMAC Real Estate ■ **Kay Jurgenson**, Shoreview, along with two other retirees, has opened a hermitage and spiritual growth place for small groups and individuals called "A Sabbath Place" in Shoreview ■ **Brenda Pick Keith**, Lincoln, NE, retired as executive assistant at the Lincoln Children's Museum ■ **John Kerry**, Eagan, retired as an insurance agent at Farmers Insurance Group ■ **John Lundblad**, Northfield, is an attorney for Lundblad and Zrimsek ■ **Craig Martens** and **Diana Jacobson Martens**, Rochester, are enjoying retirement including spending the winter in California, skiing in Colorado, and spending time with four grandchildren, and traveled last year to Washington and Banff ■ **Newell Nelsen**, Greer, SC, is director of media, marketing, and volunteerism for Hollywild Animal Park ■ **Carla Swanson Nelson**, Fargo, ND, retired as a real estate agent at Metro, Inc. Realtors ■ **David W. Nelson**, Golden

Valley, enjoys travel and spending time with his four grandchildren who live close ■ **Joan Creighton Nemetz**, North Branch, is a triage nurse with Allina Medical Systems ■ **Gwendolyn Westman Nesburg**, Fairfax, took a bike trip in Germany and two ski trips to Colorado ■ **David Noer**, Greensboro, NC, is a professor at Elon University ■ **Bill Nordstrom**, Edina, is a self-employed lawyer ■ **Lyle Norris** and **Charlene Lundahl Norris '63**, Fairmont, divide time between Fairmont, MN, Apache Junction, AZ, and working at the YMCA of the Rockies in Estes Park, CO ■ **Annette Hoffman Olson**, Eden Prairie, works part-time at Iverson's Scandinavian Import Shop ■ **Folke Person**, Pocatello, ID, teaches English at Idaho State University ■ **Brad Pester**, Eden Prairie, is a retired stockbroker for Dean Witter Reynolds ■ **David Renneke**, Rock Island, IL, is emeritus professor of physics at Augustana College ■ **Gerald D. Swanson**, Kansas City, MO, is a component engineer at Honeywell ■ **Janet Swanson Swanson**, St. Peter,

is employed at Scholarship America ■ **Marion Peterson Swanson**, Richfield, is art consultant and gallery owner of Marian Swanson Enterprises, LLC, doing business as Swanson Gallery ■ **Ramona Ulrich Swenson**, Red Oak, IA, teaches eighth grade in the Red Oak Public Schools ■ **Joan Boyum Tavares**, Greensboro, NC, is program manager at the Center for Creative Leadership ■ **Bruce Thorson**, Waite Park, is a senior engineer at Braun Intertec ■ **Val Whipple**, Ivanhoe, is a semi-retired insurance agent and Realtor and coaches high school basketball ■ **Roger Wyland**, Lake Elmo, is partner at Weber & Troseth Inc..

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**Bruce and Janet Sandberg Benson**, Pequot Lakes, divide time between Pequot Lakes, MN and Mesa, AZ ■ **Elli Gilbert Holt**, Harker Heights, TX, traveled this year to Vietnam ■ **Cameron Kruse**, Mendota Heights, is an associate principal engineer at

Braun Intertec Corporation ■ **John Monson**, Long Prairie, retired as superintendent of the Long Prairie Country Club ■ **Janet Spilseth Rodning**, Bloomington, is a dental hygienist for HealthPartners, Inc.

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**Lois Banke**, Ashland, OR, is a trainer in safe community nursing and director of education at Asante Health System ■ **Mark Eckman**, Duluth, is on the board of directors of Spring Point Project, a non-profit organization developing disease-free pigs to serve as islet cell donors for transplantation into humans with diabetes ■ **Alan Hoppes**, Puyallup, WA, is IT manager for the Port of Tacoma ■ **Gordon Olseen**, Tipton, IA, is an agent for State Farm Insurance ■ **Rudd Thabes**, Bagley, is a family physician at the Clearwater Clinic and was re-elected as county coroner.

## Croonquist honored with named scholarship



Shortly before his death October 14, **Wilt Croonquist '59** learned that the Minnesota Business Finance Corporation was honoring him by naming the **Wilt Croonquist Scholarship** in recognition of and appreciation for Croonquist's many years of service on the MBFC Board of Directors.

The scholarship will be awarded annually to a qualified applicant electing to attend the Upper Midwest Basic Economic Development Course held every July at the University of Minnesota, Duluth. The course, accredited by the International Economic Development Council, is an intensive,

weeklong program focusing on the theory and practice of economic development fundamentals. The scholarship was established to assist individuals, like Wilt, who have enjoyed a career in business or industry but, rather than retiring, have chosen to give back to their community and to the state of Minnesota by beginning a second career in economic development, bringing the skills and experience gained in their fields into the public realm.

## Reunions2007

Announcing Reunion Dates

May 25 & 26, 2007 | Commencement Weekend

50 Year Club, Classes of 1957 & 1962

October 12 & 13, 2007 | Homecoming & Family Weekend

Classes of 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, & 2002

Information will be included in class letters and on the alumni website at [www.gustavus.edu/alumni](http://www.gustavus.edu/alumni), and will be sent to reunion classes.

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**Warren Hanke**, Santa Clarita, CA, is senior consultant and senior project manager for Atlas Development Corporation ■ **John Harbo**, Baton Rouge, LA, retired as research entomologist at the USDA Honey Bee Breeding and Genetics Laboratory after 34 years of service with Agricultural Research Service ■ **Karen Nilsson Nelson**, Staples, received the 2006 Barbara O'Grady Excellence in Public Health Nursing Leadership Award given by the Public Health Association of Minnesota and is director of public health for Wadena County and community health services administrator for the Morrison-Todd-Wadena Board of Health ■ **Arlyn Tolzmann**, Westminster, CO, is pastor at Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

## 66 Class Agents:

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**Donna Gabbert Beck**, Greenwood, splits time between Greenwood and Tucson, AZ, and enjoys being a grandmother, making pottery and jewelry, and showing American Saddlebred horses and Hackney ponies ■ **Jerry and Susan Schoening Gustafson**, Tucson, AZ, enjoy golfing, tennis, swimming, and spending time with their four grandsons ■ **John Menge**, Long Lake, is owner of JEM Technical Marketing ■ **Ray Oleson**, Hilton Head Island, SC, is executive chair and founder of SI International ■ **Karyl Enstad Rommelfanger**, Manitowoc, WI, retired from teaching in the Manitowoc Public Schools ■ **Vernon Victorson**, Albany, NY, is pastor at First Lutheran Church ■ **Toni Holmberg Wahlstrand**, Eau Claire, WI, is an RN in pediatrics and adolescent medicine at Luther-Midelfort Clinic.

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**Denny Aguiar**, Leawood, KS, is president of Aguiar Ag Group, Inc. ■ **John K. Anderson**, Troutdale, OR, is city administrator for City of Troutdale ■ **Margaret Eckman Anderson**, Coupeville, WA, is a part-time receptionist at Chateau Ste. Michelle Winery ■ **Carla Anderson Batalden**, Dayton, is a self-employed artist ■ **Bob Berg**, Oakdale, retired as data processing supervisor at State Farm Insurance ■ **Lois Fitzenberger Birch**, Spring Green, WI, is a social worker at Greenway Manor Nursing Home ■ **Mary Nystrom Brockman**, Fort Madison, IA, teaches French and basic writing skills at Southeastern Community College ■ **David Buckner**, Burnsville, is director of technology at Jones-Harrison ■ **Karla Watrud Buckner**, Burnsville, retired as a second-grade teacher at Shannon Park School ■ **David Carlson**, Edina, is president of Compass Capital Management ■ **Marcia Lorimer Carlson**, Edina, is a retired RN from Methodist Hospital ■ **Cheryl Klemenhagen Collins**, Duluth, is a substitute teacher for the Duluth ISD ■ **Marilyn Bliss Dissell**, Hibbing, is a nurse at Guardian Angels Health & Rehabilitation Center ■ **Susan Erickson Dobbstein**, Bemidji, is director of home care hospice at North Country Home Care/Hospice ■ **Kay Hendrickson Dubbelde**, Pipestone, is a health assistant in the Pipestone ISD ■ **Steve Emerson**, Fergus Falls, retired as executive director of the Fergus Falls Chamber of Commerce ■ **Penny Kuehn Fannemel**, Aitkin, is a teaching assistant at Rippleside Elementary ■ **John Folkerds**, Buffalo, is senior pastor at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church ■ **Gordon Frisch**, Santa Fe, NM, is a writer and video producer at GraceLine Productions ■ **Caroline Mooney Gibbs**, La Crosse, WI, is plant support tech for Centurytel ■ **Mary Lundberg Greschner**, St. Paul, retired as an English teacher at Lakeland Union High School ■ **Todd Harris**, Platteville, CO, is water quality officer for Metro Wastewater Reclamation District ■ **Jane Forsman Harrison**, Platteville, WI, is a customer service specialist at Land's End ■ **Sara Jacobson Hensley**, Ventura, CA, is a sales associate and department lead at Mervyn's Department Store ■ **Nadine Wiechmann Hunt**, Grosse Pointe Park, MI, retired from



Raymond James Financial Services ■ **Charles L. Johnson**, St. Peter, is a self-employed farmer ■ **Douglas Jones**, Minneapolis, is president of J.R. Jones Fixture Company ■ **Robert Karli**, Austin, TX, is pastor at First English Lutheran ■ **Pam Kouba Kausel**, Burnsville, is a self-employed watercolor artist and substitute teacher ■ **Renae Nelson Keesbury**, Statesville, NC, is director of the First Baptist Preschool ■ **Eileen Ernich Kivi**, St. Peter, is an administrative assistant at Minnesota State University, Mankato Office of Student Affairs ■ **Nancy Pierson Laible**, New Brighton, is co-director of the Friends of Lutheran Aid to Medicine in Bangladesh ■ **John Lesselyong**, Dallas, TX, is president of Lesselyong Consulting ■ **Mark Lind**, Burnsville, is a self-employed home remodeler ■ **Julie Holm Manning**, South Boston, MA, is owner of the Wooden Horse and an antique dealer ■ **Sheri Anderson Menge**, Long Lake, is owner and vice president of JEM Technical Marketing ■ **Maurice Miller**, Danbury, WI, retired as senior vice president of financial services at Cenex Harvest States Cooperative and now is county supervisor in Burnett County ■ **Timothy Morgan**, Britt, is employed by Sand Lake Landscaping ■ **Bill Murphy**, Dallas, TX, is principal and founder of Capstone Health Capital ■ **Linda Kenning Olson**, Backus, operates a small antique business ■ **Paul Palm**, Springfield, VA, is a program analyst for the Environmental Protection Agency ■ **Charles A. Peterson**, Withee, WI, works in the maintenance department at the Clark County Health Care Center ■ **Larry Philipp**, Stockton, CA, is a consultant ■ **Mary Hallberg Raftery**, Sheboygan, WI, is director of nursing for Extencare, Inc. ■ **Nancy Engen Rowley**, Camarillo, CA, retired as an elementary teacher in the Pleasant Valley ISD ■ **Dan Seaberg**, Roseville, is a sales manager at Sign-A-Rama ■ **Dave Spilseth**, Wayzata, retired as a captain with American Airlines ■ **Steven R. Struss**, Cambridge, teaches at Braham ISD 314 ■ **Bradley Swanson**, St. Paul, is a partner with SKS Consulting Psychologists ■ **Doug Swenson**, Forest Lake, is a district court judge for the Tenth Judicial District ■ **Tom Toftey**, Winfield, IL, is president of Toftey Consulting ■ **Jon Tollefson**, Ames, IA, is chair of the entomology department at Iowa State University ■ **Judith Trytten**, Chicago, IL, is a self-employed clinical psychologist



■ **Kathy Dahl Tunks**, Wilmington, NC, is women's apparel sales representative for Kathy Tunks & Associates ■ **Gunnar Viljaste**, Duluth, is president of Arrowhead Equipment Company ■ **Owen Wahlstrand**, Eau Claire, WI, is employed by Cummins Filtration ■ **June Haglund Weind**, Toronto, Ontario, retired as a kindergarten teacher in the Toronto School District ■ **Gary Wollschlager**, Fairmont, is an attorney at Wollschlager, Tow, Welder, Ringquist Law Firm ■ **Karen Langsjoen Zins**, Nicollet, is manager of the Book Mark at Gustavus.

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■ **Patricia Gebert Adams**, St. Paul, is public health director of the Dakota County Public Health Department ■ **John Anderson**, Ely, is owner and operator of Anderson's Resort ■ **Carol Christianson Dolan**, Plymouth, retired as a physical education and health teacher ■ **Mark D. Johnson**, Nashport, OH, retired as a store manager for J.C. Penney ■ **Dick Krueger**, Wayzata, retired as director

of compensation at General Mills ■ **Tom Thorkelson**, St. Peter, is head track and field coach for Gustavus.

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■ **Brad Ashford**, Omaha, NE, is vice president of business development at Advanced Research Solutions ■ **Judy Barnes**, Palm Coast, FL, is a broker associate at Hammock, Dunes Real Estate Company ■ **Judy Broad**, Minneapolis, is an obstetrics nurse/midwife at the Hennepin County Medical Center ■ **Bill Carroll**, Rochester, is a plan document analyst in compliance at the Mayo Clinic ■ **Robert Finck**, Wayzata, is self-employed ■ **Carol Saeger Gercke**, Parker, CO, is a neonatal intensive care nurse at Littleton Hospital Birthplace ■ **Mary Melby Hanson**, Waconia, retired from teaching first grade in the Norwood/Young America ISD ■ **Phil Hanson**, Waconia, retired as a high school football and baseball coach in the Watertown/ Mayer ISD ■ **Brad Janzen**, Minnetonka, is a self-employed attorney ■ **Gary Jepsen**, Puyallup, WA, is pastor for Pilgrim Lutheran Church ■ **Jerry Lowell**, Goleta, CA, is chief administrative officer for the education abroad program at University of California ■ **Susan Johnson Moore**, Mankato, retired as a teacher in the Mankato School District ■ **Yoshio Okada**, Albuquerque, NM, is an associate professor and directs a biomedical brain research center at University of New Mexico ■ **Mary Jane Hansen Schuck**, Willmar, teaches Spanish in the Willmar ISD ■ **Jane Simcox Schuette**, Belle Plaine, is owner of the Schuette Shoppe ■ **Cynthia Kisch Shotwell**, Harlem, GA, is a part-time out-patient case manager at Walton Rehabilitation Hospital ■ **Tom Talmo**, Excelsior, is a software engineering manager at MTS Systems ■ **Dottie Mattson Winterton**, Midway, UT, teaches radiology part-time at Webber State University.

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Friends from the Class of 1960 spent several days together at Martha's Vineyard last September. Pictured from left are Nancy Anderson Wiberg, Bev Lingwall Mooney, Barb Nordstrom Hanson, Marlyn Windedahl Franzen, Karen Schendel Nybo, Marilyn Wiklund Anderson, and Anne Kilty Wiberg.

■ **Stewart Anderson**, Northfield, is a medical technologist at Allina Health Systems ■ **Janice Wescott Anderson**, Eagan, teaches in the St. Paul ISD ■ **Jennifer J. Anderson**, St. Louis Park, is self-employed working with mind-body medicine ■ **Lee Blanc Anderson**, Ely, is a math professor at Vermilion Community College ■ **Kris Lein Andrejewski**, Woodstock, GA, teaches preschool at Transfiguration Catholic Church ■ **Karen Hovde Bang**, Red Wing, teaches sixth grade in the Red Wing ISD ■ **Cindy Beck**, Brooklyn Park, teaches third grade at L.O. Jacob Elementary ■ **Doug Beck**, Brooklyn Park, is a pharmacist at Cub Foods ■ **Vail Rollings Belgard**, Garden City, is office manager at *The Land* magazine in Mankato ■ **Valerie Barnett Benda**, Middleburg, FL, is director of the art enrichment program for the Clay County School Board ■ **Marilyn Rauch Benson**, Bloomington, is a special education teacher in the Edina ISD ■ **Jeri Peterson Bergquist**, Reynolds, ND, is pastor for Reynolds Lutheran Parish ■ **Vicki Arenson Bess**, Burnsville, is a human resources generalist for the City of Burnsville ■ **Lynn Wiklund Boehne**, St. Peter, is director of admission services at Gustavus ■ **Tom Boehne**, St. Peter, is an instructor for South Central College in North Mankato ■ **Nancy Hanson**

■ **Boxrud**, Ham Lake, retired as office manager at Container Graphics ■ **Sharon Ramberg Brahee**, Waconia, is a manager at the Ridgeview Medical Center ■ **Virginia Johnson Bruns**, Big Lake, is a CPA at Johnson Bruns & Co. ■ **John Busse**, Bloomington, is a rehabilitation consultant for Busse Consulting ■ **Kathy Pegors Busse**, Bloomington, is a public health nurse-clinical services for the City of Bloomington Division of Public Health ■ **Peg Pearson Christensen**, St. Paul, teaches psychology and sociology at Sibley High School and completed master's level training in unconditional love and forgiveness healing ■ **Randall Christiansen**, Fairbanks, AK, is an optometrist at the Eye Clinic of Fairbanks ■ **Susan Tuomi Cornwell**, Middleton, WI, is a clinical nurse specialist at University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinic ■ **Terry Anderson Corwin**, Valley City, ND, is a professor at Valley City State University ■ **Brian A. Davis**, Apple Valley, is a pilot for Sun Country Airlines ■ **Ted Dedolph**, Fort Collins, CO, is owner of the Bio Energy Group ■ **Dave Dorn**, Plymouth, is a physician at the Noran Neurological Clinic ■ **Alexis Smith Edmond**, St. Louis, MO, retired as a third-grade teacher in the Lindbergh ISD ■ **Gioia Hauritz Egan**, Fairfax, VA, traveled on a church mission trip to New Orleans to help with hurricane recov-





## Attention Gustavus armed services veterans

The Alumni Association would like to gather and record data of former students who have served or are serving in the United States Armed Forces. Please send your name, class year, branch of service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard), and dates of service for active duty and/or reserve. We also thank you for your service.

ery ■ **Karen Johnson Elshazly**, Orono, is senior adviser to the president of the American Refugee Committee ■ **Karen Sue Storie Finck**, Wayzata, is CEO, psychotherapist, and consultant for Health Counseling Services ■ **Steven Fischer**, Plymouth, is chief information officer at the Center for Diagnostic Imaging ■ **Marilyn Foss**, Aspen, CO, is owner and president of Mountain Mortgage ■ **Curtis Fossum**, Sacramento, CA, is assistant chief counsel for California State Lands Commission ■ **Bob Fransen**, Minneapolis, is in real estate management/development with Capital Growth Real Estate ■ **Vicky Johnson Goplin**, Rosemount, is an adjunct faculty member in education leadership at Luther Seminary ■ **Craig Goudy**, Edina, is an attorney and partner at Cox, Goudy, McNulty & Wallace ■ **Ronald Gustafson**, St. Cloud, retired from NCR Corp. and the *St. Cloud Times* ■ **Ranae Hanson**, St. Paul, is a faculty member at Minneapolis Community and Technical College ■ **Jan Sorensen Hart**, Mount Pleasant, SC, is owner/pianist of Bach to Broadway ■ **Patricia Hande Hartman**, Eagan, teaches social studies at Simley Senior High ■ **Susan Carlson Hayes**, Montgomery, is a media specialist and elementary art teacher in the Montgomery/Lonsdale ISD ■ **Mandy Crews Heard**, Eau Claire, WI, is human resources manager at Fall Creek Valley Care Center ■ **Vernon Hedlin**, Farwell, is a dairy and grain farmer with Hedlin Sunrise Holsteins ■ **Greg Hitter**, San Luis Obispo, CA, is a self-employed lecturer, author, healer, psychologist ■ **Lynne Burnham Holmquist**, Omaha, NE, is a self-employed writer and trainer ■ **Cathe Zimmerman Hughes**, East Lansing, MI, is an ESL teacher in the Haslett Schools ■ **Kathy Ray Huijbregts**, Burbank, CA, is a middle

school teacher in the Los Angeles Unified School District and was accepted as a member of the National Honor Roll's Outstanding American Teachers for 2005-2006 ■ **Kathryn Loren Jepsen**, Puyallup, WA, is school nurse for the Puyallup School District ■ **Cherry Nelson Jordan**, New Prague, is manager of human resources and administration at GP Companies ■ **Sue Niebuhr Karnick**, Hastings, is employed by Hastings ISD 200 ■ **Susan Kibler**, Beckenham, England, is a self-employed counselor ■ **Susan Kelly Krueger**, Wayzata, retired as a music therapist ■ **Joan Gunberg Lambert**, Burnsville, is a self-employed interior designer ■ **Carolyn Thoreson Larson**, Edina, is a school psychologist in the Robbinsdale ISD ■ **Marla Koepf Lichtsinn**, Fountain Valley, CA, is a self-employed consultant in healthcare and health ministry ■ **Denny Lind**, Eden Prairie, is a senior vice president at Marshall BankFirst ■ **James Luey**, Parker, CO, is supervisory scientist for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ■ **Bruce Lungstrom**, New London, retired as a special agent with the Illinois State Police ■ **Carolyn Uherka Maas**, Watertown, is a Title I head teacher at Lester Prairie Elementary ■ **Gregory Mattson**, Maple Grove, is a sales representative at CPU Options ■ **Steve Maurer**, Minnetonka, is general counsel for Digi International ■ **Suzanne Weber McDonnell**, Grand Marais, is owner of Dream Catcher Enterprises, Inc. ■ **Barbara Hofford Merrill**, New Brighton, is a substitute teacher for St. Anthony/New Brighton Schools ■ **Paulette Albertson Metts**, Mundelein, IL, is nurse manager at Misericordia ■ **Kay McNamara Minnich**, Burnsville, is director of insurance valuation at Ameriprise Financial ■ **Jamesetta Alexander Newland**, White Plains, NY, is direc-

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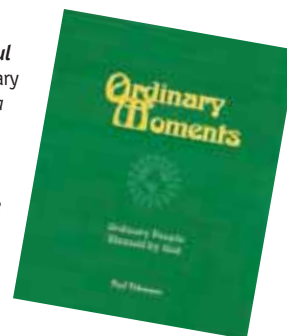
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#### Tidemann releases book

After retiring from active ministry as a pastor, **Paul Tidemann '60** has completed a book titled *Ordinary Moments: Ordinary People Blessed by God. It is a book of reflections on preaching, including a preface on a theology of preaching and then a series of sermons, most of which have some commentary to indicate what was going on in the life of the church or the world that gave rise to the sermon. It is available through the Book Mark (phone 800/847-9307, or log onto www.bookmark.gustavus.edu).*



#### LeVander recognized with NRECA award

**Harold (Hap) LeVander Jr. '62** has been named recipient of a National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) Regional Award recognizing outstanding service to rural electrification at the state and regional level. LeVander, a lawyer with the Twin Cities law firm of Felhaber, Larson, Fenlon & Vogt, has served Minnesota electric cooperatives for the past four decades, helping forge laws and legal decisions that have influenced the whole nation. He has represented the cooperatives on regulatory issues before the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission regarding rates and service territory disputes as well as on labor, employment, and other general corporate matters. The award is especially significant because recipients are nominated by their peers.



A member of the Public Utilities Sections of both the Minnesota State Bar Association and the American Bar Association, LeVander has been a member of the board of advisers of the Electric Cooperative Bar Association since 2000 and currently serves as the advisory board vice chair. He was recently named a 2006 Minnesota Super Lawyer in the field of energy law.

is executive director at Northern Prairies Land Trust ■ **Sylvia Ashley-Cameron**, Owatonna, is a psychologist and owner of the Mankato Child Psychology Clinic ■ **Brian Asleson**, Buffalo, is chief deputy attorney in the Wright County Government Center ■ **Al Behrends**, St. Peter, is director of fine arts programs at Gustavus ■ **Mary Pederson Behrends**, St. Peter, teaches French and heads the Gifted and Talented program at St. Peter High School ■ **Wendy Berghorst**, Excelsior, is inter-agency coordinator for West Suburban Early Intervention ■ **Joan Perman Bertelsen**, Eagan, is a school nurse at Deerwood Elementary School ■ **Dave Bieber**, St. Louis, MO, is an independent employee benefits consultant ■ **Jan Ellwein Bork**, Sioux Falls, SD, is a librarian at Brandon Valley Middle School ■ **Scott Bosacker**, Lake Mills, IA, is a dentist for Family Dental Center of Lake Mills ■ **Steve Briggs**, Eagan, is second vice president and actuary at St. Paul Travelers ■ **Liz Brink**, Cody, WY, is self-employed ■ **Barb Bennett Copouls**, Eden Prairie, is income tax department manager at Stan Copouls Services ■ **Shannon Smith Deer**,

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# GUSTAVUS ALUMNI



Three Gustavus Distinguished Alumni Citation recipients from the Class of 1966 attended their 40th-anniversary reunion last October. Pictured from left are Cheryl Downey (2000, entertainment), Linda Gulder Huett (2004, business), and Karen Bossart Rusthoven (2006, education).



Nobel Conference participants  
Classmates from the Class of 1962 reunited at the Nobel Conference on the future of medicine in October 2006. From left are Gwen Westman Nesburg, Reet Lind Henze, Karen Koehn Anderson, and David Christiansen.

gist at Southwest General Hospital ■ **Terry Gluek**, Minneapolis, is a middle school literacy trainer in the Eagan/Apple Valley/Rosemount ISD ■ **Janet Malmer Green**, Detroit Lakes, is regional director/executive director for Ecumen/Emmanuel Community ■ **Ruth Gronquist**, Fairbanks, AK, is lead wildlife biologist for the Alaska Bureau of Land Management ■ **Cynthia Zotalis Gustafson**, Helena, MT, is chair of the department of nursing at Carroll College ■ **Geri Baker Halbert**, Fairmont, teaches fourth grade at Five Lakes Elementary ■ **Karen Heule Webster Hall**, Bloomington, is individual out-state and special services manager for CommonBond Communities ■ **Marggie Jensen Hanratty**, Colorado Springs, CO,

teaches English at Pikes Peak Community College ■ **Marilyn Jones Harris**, Clearwater, FL, is a school psychologist in the Pinellas County Schools ■ **Al Hawkins**, Plymouth, is an Herbalife distributor and a voice teacher ■ **Michael Hecht**, Houston, TX, is an electronic technician at Labarge ■ **Teri Morton Heil**, Stillwater, is a full partner and anesthesiologist at Midwest Anesthesiologist PA ■ **Mary Thomas Henle**, Columbia Heights, teaches chemistry and astronomy at St. Anthony Village High School ■ **John Himle**, Minnetonka, is CEO and partner of Himle Horner, Inc. ■ **Dwight Holcombe**, Zimmerman, is a self-employed farmer ■ **Dawn Fenske Howe**, Little Rock, AR, is executive director of the Southwest Soybean

Council ■ **Kay Nord Hunt**, St. Paul, is an attorney for Lommen Abdo Cole King & Stageberg PA ■ **Beth Leland Jacobson**, Bricelyn, is a Spanish and ESL teacher in the United South Central School District ■ **Mark Jaeger**, Red Wing, is a probation officer with Goodhue County Court Services ■ **Mary Hannon Jaeger**, Red Wing, is a flight attendant at Northwest Airlines ■ **Geri Linnell Jarrard**, Naperville, IL, is a human resources consultant with Humana Insurance Company ■ **Sandy Standke Jirele**, Owatonna, is an accountant specialist at Express Personnel Services ■ **Cyndee Johnson**, Proctor, teaches physical education in the Esko ISD ■ **Joel A. Johnson**, Portland, OR, is senior project manager for Nike, Inc. ■ **Deanne Berg Jurkovich**, Mercer Island, WA, is an RN at the University of Washington Medical Center ■ **Rebecca Barnes Kahl**, Spokane, WA, is a physical therapist at St. Luke's Rehabilitation ■ **Sheldon R. Klukas**, Eden Prairie, is a project manager at United HealthCare ■ **Paul Knautz**, Abbotsford, WI, is a special education teacher at Colby Elementary School ■ **Barb Lunde Kvale**, Toledo, OH, is assistant nursing director/RN at University Medical Center ■ **Kris Swan Leak**, Minneapolis, teaches in the Eagan/Apple Valley/Rosemount ISD ■ **Nick Legeros**, Edina, is a bronze sculptor; 12 of his works were included in his fall art exhibit, "Recipes in Bronze, Sculpture of Nicholas Legeros," during September and October at O'Shaughnessy Educational Center, University of St. Thomas ■ **David Linnes-Bagley**, Minneapolis, is manager in the marketing department of Northwest Airlines ■ **Laurie Linnes-Bagley**, Minneapolis, is a self-employed contract trainer ■ **Leo Litwin**, Bloomington, is a marketing representative for Winthrop Resources Corporation ■ **Robert Lundberg**, Bakersfield, CA, is general manager of Grant Construction ■ **Si Matthies**, Plymouth, is an executive vice president at Wells Fargo ■ **Karen McCall**, Minneapolis, is owner/graphic designer for McCall Design, Inc. ■ **Kevin Miller**, Edina, is senior vice president of global finance companies at HSBC Securities USA ■ **Lynne Cheney Mills**, Barron, WI, is an RN at WITC ■ **Dave Moran**, Eagan, is an attorney at Winthrop & Weinstine ■ **Nancy M. Mosher**, Burnsville, is an independent distributor at Neways International ■ **Greg W. Nelson**, Maple Grove, is a dentist at Rogers Dental Center ■ **Linda**

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Last September Gustie friends enjoyed a trip together in Ireland. They are pictured in Slogu at the tomb of W.B. Yeats, Nobel Prize-winning Irish dramatist, author, and poet. From left are **Phil Carlson '68**, **Cheryl Braunworth Carlson '68**, **Sue and Dick Carlson** (parents of Andrew '00 and Leslie '03), **Nathan Tolzmann '92**, **Jeanne Mingus Tolzmann '67**, and **Arlyn Tolzmann '65**.

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## Dancing with the Gusties!

*Carol Cannom Faville '66 (left) and instructor Jay Larson '85 met by chance with Amy Stark '76 at a ballroom dance competition at Newport Beach, CA, in October 2006. Jay and Carol are from Cinema Ballroom in St. Paul, MN, while Amy takes lessons in California. Carol and Amy traded stories about both being psychology majors at Gustavus in between doing the tango, cha-cha, and rumba. Jay, an environmental studies major while at Gustavus, has been teaching ballroom dance for the past 20 years, winning many national awards.*

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### Promoting family dinners

A countywide gathering billed as "Come to the Table" was held Sept. 30, 2006, to celebrate families around Minnesota's largest dining table at the Carver County fairgrounds. More than 800 people attended. **Anna Hansen Edlund '92**, **Daniel Jackson '10**, **Gracia Luhmann Hegener '66**, **Bob Roepke '68**, and **Maureen Twining Farrell '75** were among the planners who worked together to bring it about.

The Eat.Talk.Connect! Campaign is an initiative of the Carver County Health Partnership promoted in churches, schools, and workplaces of Carver County to encourage families to eat meals together at least three times a week. Its purpose is to increase family communication and connect family members in an intentional, effective, caring way—a challenge in today's busy world of over-scheduled kids, hectic households, and text messaging and e-mail communication. "Finding out that we were all Gusties made it more fun," says Hegener. "Did we share stories of college days!"

Lake Park ■ **Gail Thomas Offringa**, Rochester, MA, is a manufacturer's representative at Izod G ■ **Bruce Olson**, Mequon, WI, is a portfolio manager at Wells Capital Management ■ **David Olson**, Maple Grove, is an attorney at Lanners & Olson ■ **Nancy Parsons**, Bushnell, IL, is a professor in the department of health sciences at Western Illinois University ■ **Connie Johnson Pile**, Wichita, KS, is an RN at the Wesley Medical Center ■ **Beth Potter**, New York, NY, is a principal at Promontory Financial Group, LLC ■ **Pamela Chapman Quinn**, St. Paul, is a psychologist and marriage & family therapist for South Metro Human Services ■ **Pamela Klein Rasmussen**, Sandpoint, ID, is EVP/COO at Panhandle State Bank ■ **Lori Ehlen Rebers**, Prior Lake, is assistant in finance and administration for the Bloomington Convention and Visitors Bureau ■ **Paul Rippe**, Edina, does sales and service/business forms for Rippe Business Forms, Inc. ■ **Dwight Rudquist**, Deer River, is pastor at Bethany Evangelical Lutheran Church ■ **Lisa Gstalder Rudquist**, Deer River, is a paraprofessional at the Deer River Schools ■

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## Park Nicollet Gusties in Kyoto

**Abbie Peterson DeYonge '04, Jodi Peterson Roehm '91, Sam Carlson '68, and Tina Hallberg Lukanen '94** visited the Golden Pavilion in Kyoto, Japan, in November 2006. The four work for Park Nicollet Health Services in St. Louis Park, MN, and were in Japan for a Gemba Kaizen experience. Their trip included learning and experiencing the process improvement concepts and tools developed by Toyota, which they are working to apply to health care at Park Nicollet.



## Climbing volcanoes in Guatemala

**Christa Harrison '05** and her mother, **Jane Forsman Harrison '67**, recently spent a one-month cultural immersion experience in Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, and its surrounding area. Christa had studied abroad in Guatemala in 2003 and took her mother to the area to learn Spanish. While they lived with Christa's original host family, Jane took intensive one-on-one Spanish classes. This photo captures the highlight of the trip when the Harrisons hiked under the full moon to the 3,772-meter summit of the Santa Maria Volcano, which last erupted in 1902. The hike began at midnight, and the hikers arrived at the top in time to view an amazing sunrise over the cloud line.

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### Ready for the next stage

**Blake Shelton '69** retired from Wells Fargo in September 2006 after 23 years of service. *Gusties* gathered at his retirement party on September 25 to share stories and fond memories: from left, **Eric Nelsen '92**, **Robert Fox '67**, **John Moorhead '68**, **Nancy Carlson Shelton '70**, **Michael Karels '68**, **Blake Shelton '69**, **Tom Cherry '69**, **Gail Siverson Swanson '72**, **David Swanson '69**, **Elizabeth Vinz Keller '68**, **Keith Keller '68**, and **William Salinger '67**.

processor at the State Bank of Belle Plaine ■ **Anne Bjerken**, Minneapolis, is a flight attendant at Northwest Airlines ■ **Ann Christenson Bjork**, Charlotte, NC, is a real estate broker for Helen Adams Realty ■ **Tom Bjork**, Charlotte, NC, is employed at Mountain Properties ■ **Thor Bolstad**, Minnetonka, is a school psychologist in the Centennial ISD ■ **Julie Schwantes Boman**, Edina, is a physician for Children's Hospital ■ **Kristen Erickson Bonesho**, Lakeville, is a physical therapist at Fairview Medical Center ■ **Ted Botten**, Rockford, is president of Theodore P. Botten Insurance Agency ■ **Brian Bowers**, Prior Lake, is president and partner at Financial Recovery Services ■ **Kitty Brock**, Wilbraham, MA, is an RN at St. Francis Hospital ■ **Dan Buchanan**, Oronoco, is a technical laboratory specialist II-toxicology at the Mayo Medical Center ■ **Alissa Dahlstrom Canfield**, Maple Grove, is owner of Alissa Floral Design ■ **Wendy Van Hulzen Carlson**, Orono, teaches part-time at Cornelia Elementary School ■ **Holly Brodmarkle Cervin**, Brainerd, teaches in the Pillager ISD ■ **Kathy Wahlert Chameli**, Hoffman Estates, IL, teaches fourth grade at St. Theresa School ■ **Mary Shifflet Crippen**, Northfield, is HR training manager for Ziegler, Inc. ■ **Marian Oswald Delaney**, Edina, is a physical therapist at the Institute for Athletic Medicine ■ **Garth D. Dietrich**, Edina, is GIS consultant at Geomatic Solutions ■ **Joe Eischens**, Parkville, MO, is an attorney for Thornberry, Eischens & Brown ■ **Lee Fahrnez**,

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## Gusties know about student life

*Gusties seem to be infiltrating other private colleges lately. Above, Gusties **Bucky Zietz '70**, **Raj Sethuraju** (former Gustavus employee), **Kaaren Williamsen-Garvey '95**, and **Laura Riehle-Merrill '98** gathered at a recent event at Carleton College. All are now professional staff in Carleton College's Division of Student Life. Below, three more work in student life at Central College in Pella, IA.: from left are **Claire Anderson '05**, hall director in her first year at Central; **JoNes VanHecke '89**, dean of student life and assistant professor of education, also in her first year; and **Bonnie Dahlke '00**, director of student involvement and orientation, now in her third year. In addition, **Mike Boschee**, former assistant men's basketball coach at Gustavus, is now in his third year as the head men's basketball coach at Central.*



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### Gustie elementary support group

There are currently 11 Gustie grads teaching at Red Oak Elementary School in Shakopee, and almost all of them managed to gather at their school sign at one time for a photo. "It reminded us of posing by the Gustavus sign," says Molly Pedersen Thomas '00. Pictured in the front row from left are **Jamie Brekke Sheldon '01**, **Marcia Johnson Litfin '73**, **Molly Pedersen Thomas '00**, **Cathy Macaulay Burlager '84**, and **Bethany Nass Olsen '03**. In the back row are **Tricia Simons Boltmann '93**, **Jenny Thomas '03**, **Andrea Lau Storlie '05**, **Kristen Wilking '06**, and **Kerry Eisenbarth '99**. **Sara Volek Addler '98** was the only one absent.

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**Gustavson family completes fourth transcontinental ride**  
*The Gustavson family finished their fourth transcontinental bike ride on July 30, completing a ride from San Francisco, CA, to Savannah, GA, in 30 days. They also rode across the country in 1990, 1995, and 2000. Pictured from left are most of the family Gusties in the entourage: Gary '71, Katie Cullen Gustavson '01 and daughter Tyra, Mark '01, and Elaine (P '96 '01). Gary felt great riding with two new titanium hip replacements.*



**Talking geography**  
*Three geography majors reconnected with a couple of their major advisers at the Class of '76 reunion in October 2006. From left are Professor Emeritus Bob Moline, Dennis Murphy, Kevin Walli, Janna King, and Professor Bob Douglas.*

**Kristin Roberg Hummel**, Northfield, is a K-5 vocal music and orchestra teacher in the Northfield ISD ■ **Nichole Stavros Jenny**, Lakeville, is an RN at Southdale Pediatric Associates ■ **Derek Johns**, Stillwater, is a wholesaler for Thrivent Financial for Lutherans ■ **Aaron Johnson**, Lakeville, is operations manager at Cannon Valley Communications ■ **Daniel K. Johnson**, Paynesville, is a self-employed property appraiser ■ **Janelle**

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Since 2002 **Lucy Nelson Zanders '77** has been an integral part of General Mills' Martin Luther King Jr. planning team involved with the King community breakfasts. She is second from right in the middle row.

## Community breakfast organizer tackles racism

**Lucy Nelson Zanders '77** has played an integral role in coordinating the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfasts in St. Paul, through her volunteer work with a General Mills planning team. The breakfasts are organized with the help of the St. Paul Area Council of Churches and the United Negro College Fund and aim to help eliminate racism in the community. They take place in St. Paul neighborhoods and give the community an opportunity to celebrate the work of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. In the past, they have also been great vehicles to raise money for various charitable causes, including scholarships for students affected by Hurricane Katrina, after-school youth programs, and community programs that help to promote cooperation between different religions and cultures.

Lucy works with teams of ecumenical volunteers two to three times a month to plan the breakfasts. Through her past experiences working with youth in the community, she has an understanding of which programs would be interesting and appropriate. She finds speakers, ministers, and activities that reflect the interests and values of the community. Lucy is also involved in organizing the "Facing Race" project, a community dialog on eradicating racism. The Saint Paul Foundation provides the materials for the conversation, and groups host them in the community.

Lucy became involved in the breakfasts through her work with the St. Paul Area Council of Churches. The Council needed more volunteers as the breakfasts were growing in popularity. Lucy was asked to be an event coordinator. With her leadership, the breakfasts have expanded to five sites. Lucy and her volunteers were also working to establish a site at the Science Museum of Minnesota to coincide with the opening of an exhibit on race in January.

Lucy believes her time at Gustavus allowed her to experience fellowship and living together in harmony with people who are different. "I came from a Baptist background, but I acclimated well to a Lutheran setting at Gustavus," Lucy says. "These breakfasts allow people from all faiths to work together for a common cause, and create discussion among community members."

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**Selected for Scottish curling tour**  
**Cyndee Johnson '77**, Proctor, was selected to represent the United States Women's Curling Association (USWCA) in the 2006 Scotland Curling Tour.

Every 10 years, 20 members of the USWCA are selected to participate in a curling tour of Scotland. Five U.S. teams, comprising four curlers each, toured Scotland from Nov. 3 to Nov. 25, competing with 17 different curling clubs throughout the country.

"It is a tremendous honor to be selected," Johnson notes. There are four regions of the USWCA throughout the

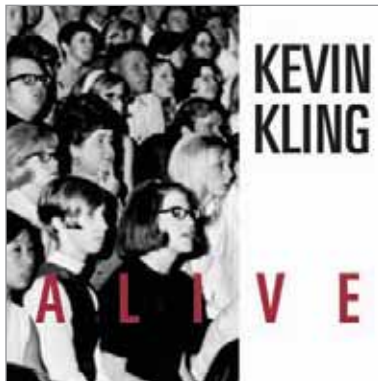
United States, and the teams were selected from those regions. Assigned to teams by the Tour Committee, Johnson's teammates came from Wisconsin, Illinois, and Massachusetts.

As a player, Johnson has competed for more than 16 years with the Duluth Curling Club. She has participated in the Gopher State Bonspiel, The USWCA All-American Bonspiel, the Olympic trials, and national competitions. As a coach, she led the Duluth Curling Club's Junior women's team for several years, making it to the final four of the Junior Nationals each year. Her team went on to the Junior World Championship in 2004, finishing fourth.

In addition to her flourishing curling career, Johnson has taught physical education at Esko Elementary School in Esko, MN, since 1977. She was named 2004 Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the Year in Minnesota.

## Kling releases *Alive*

*Twin Cities playwright and storyteller Kevin Kling '79* has released a new CD, *Alive*, which features nine new stories told by Kling in front of a live audience in St. Paul. Several stories have been broadcast on NPR, including "Softball," "Beaver in a Box," and the holiday fishing epic "The Ballad of Ron Huber." For more information about Kling and his other works, visit [www.kevinkling.com](http://www.kevinkling.com).



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## Gilyard and Cerwin team to fight leukemia

Last June, **Scott Gilyard '83**, president of the division of Medco Containment Services that manages Medco's relationship with United Health Services, was named 2006 Man of the Year for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, the top fundraising honor accorded by the society. While that recognition is noteworthy, the background story is even more compelling.

In January of 2006, after several weeks of flu-like symptoms, Gilyard was diagnosed with acute myelogenous leukemia (AML). He went to Mayo Clinic for a second opinion and was scheduled for a bone marrow transplant, which entailed chemotherapy and full-body radiation to eliminate his

old immune system and wipe out the leukemia. He was hospitalized for the transplant and for the 100 days post-transplant. "I was very fortunate because my sister was a perfect match," Gilyard says. "Normally, any one sibling has a 25 percent chance of being a match, and I have only one sibling."

While Gilyard recuperated at Mayo Clinic, his friends feverishly led fundraising efforts in his honor, raising over \$43,000 in his honor over an eight-week period to help him earn the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Man of the Year award. Man and Woman of the Year candidates and their support groups raised a record \$96,000 for the society's campaign in 2006 (the third year in Minnesota).

Behind the scenes, a leadership team of society volunteers is instrumental to building the campaign's success—by nominating the select group of fundraisers and by staging the Grand Finale Gala. Coincidentally, **Ami Cerwin '04** was the 2006 event planner. Cerwin had volunteered her time and talents in memory of her mother, Lauri, who died of AML in December of 2002.

After graduating from Gustavus, Cerwin had moved to Boston, where she pursued event planning for Hilton and Sheraton hotels. During this period she first volunteered for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. In 2004, she signed up for one of the society's "Team in Training" events and trained to run a half marathon in Bermuda. "I raised \$4,500 in my mother's memory, and crossing that finish line in Bermuda is a moment I will never forget," she says. "And, I am grateful to my family, friends, and community, including Gustavus, because all of them were a huge support by organizing benefits, concerts, and other special fundraising events—in addition to their kind words and shoulders."

Cerwin moved back to Minnesota in January 2006, taking a position as event planner for Greater Twin Cities United Way. She also contacted the Golden Valley Leukemia & Lymphoma Society office to volunteer for the 2006 Man and Woman of the Year campaign. With help from society staff and volunteers, she led the orchestration of an extremely successful and memorable Grand Finale Gala at St. Anthony Main Event Centre in Minneapolis.

Gilyard had every intention of attending the June Grand Finale Gala (out of the approximate 225 people who attended the gala, more than 80 of them were Gilyard supporters). Unfortunately, complications prevented him from being present to accept his award—only days before the gala, Gilyard's doctors advised him to remain at Mayo and have a lung biopsy because he had been suffering from inflammation.

Ninety days post-transplant, Gilyard's white cells began to show abnormal activity, and he relapsed back into a leukemic phase. He and his wife, Lisa



Leukemia campaigners **Scott Gilyard '83** and **Ami Cerwin '04**

(Pearson '85), were traveling to and from Rochester almost every day before deciding to transfer to the University of Minnesota, where he was subjected to some experimental protocols.

Soon after Gilyard began his treatment at the University, he began to experience severe graft versus host disease (GVH). He explains, "This is essentially when the two immune systems (mine and my sister's) were battling within me. . . . Meanwhile, my sister's immune system was also battling the leukemic blood cells; this is known as graft versus leukemia (GVL). After several weeks of GVH and GVL playing havoc with both my body and the leukemia, I had a blood test that came

back normal. I guess you could call the combination of the GVH and GVL—regardless of the complications—a blessing in surprise, because shortly after that blood test, a bone marrow biopsy also came back normal. That was Aug. 2, 2006—I was in remission, and I have been ever since!"

Gilyard had lost nearly 70 pounds, and the new objective was for him to regain his weight, strength, and general health. He maintains a regimen of several antibiotics, antifungals, and antivirals to protect what he describes as "my fledgling immune system." He adds, "I'm being weaned off steroids, and perhaps in a year I will be medication-free."

"I cannot adequately express my appreciation for the prayers, support, meals, and help with transportation provided by so many of our friends from our community (Medina, MN), children's school (Providence Academy), church (St. Barnabas Lutheran in Plymouth), work (Medco Health) and, of course, family," Gilyard says. "One of the most rewarding blessings to come from this harrowing experience is to feel the love and support of friends and family when you really need it. My friends from Gustavus were among the first to rush to my side and offer support. Humor and silence, tears and laughs, physical presence and e-mail/CaringBridge (internet) entries were never-ending. I can't imagine going through this without these wonderful people. The same was true of those we know through our children's school. . . . Lisa was an absolute rock for me! The kids were incredibly supportive, while trying to live normal lives at school, in sports, jobs, etc. My parents basically put 2006 on hold to either be with me or to relieve Lisa so that she could be with the kids part of the nearly six months that I lived in Rochester and recuperated in Medina."

Gilyard returned to work on January 2, 2007, after more than 11 months out because of disability. Today, both Gilyard and Cerwin are 2007 Man and Woman of the Year leadership team members. Ironically, they did not know of their "AML connection," nor that they are both Gustavus grads, until they began planning for the society's 2007 recognition event. The 2007 campaign will officially begin April 12, and it will be capped nine weeks later at a Grand Finale Gala on June 14.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is the largest funding agency of blood cancer research in the world. At least 75 percent of all fundraising dollars is dedicated to its programs. Since its founding in 1949, the Society has invested more than \$483 million for research specifically targeting leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma. To learn more about the society and its programs, visit [www.lls.org/mn/man&woman](http://www.lls.org/mn/man&woman).

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## Earns prestigious public health fellowship

**Bonnie Madsen Brueshoff '79**, deputy director of the Dakota County Public Health Department, has been named a 2006 Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow. The national fellowship program develops leaders who will guide improvements in the U.S. health care system, and Brueshoff is one of only 20 nurses in executive leadership roles nationwide awarded the prestigious fellowship this year. Through mentorship, seminars, and an independent learning plan, the three-

year program provides an opportunity to develop critical leadership skills and to collaborate with nursing and healthcare leaders throughout the country. In addition, Brueshoff will conduct a leadership project with support from the Dakota County Public Health Department and funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

"The Executive Nurse Fellowship provides an opportunity for me to work with a nationally recognized team of experts and leaders from around the country," says Brueshoff, "and to bring this collective knowledge back to improve public health in Dakota County."

In her current position as deputy public health director, Brueshoff, who earned her master's degree in nursing from the University of Minnesota in 1989, manages and provides leadership for three major program areas: family health, health promotion, and correctional health. She works under the direction of **Pat Gebert Adams '70**, public health director, who is also a Gustavus alumna. Gustavus ties run in the family as well: Bonnie is married to **David Brueshoff '77**, and their son, **Ben**, is a member of the Class of 2005.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is the nation's largest philanthropy devoted exclusively to improving the health and healthcare of all Americans.



## Empty nest with three at Gustavus

*Phil and Holly Nelson's home in Lakeville is quieter this year with all three of their children enrolled at Dad's alma mater. Pictured from left are Phil '82, Holly, Drew '07, Melinda '08, and Lane '10.*

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GreenBank officials, USAID representatives, and several microenterprise clients from the rural Philippines met with U.S. Ambassador Kristie Kenney (seated, center) when she visited the bank's Cagayan de Oro branch in June 2006. John Owens '84, MABS program manager, is seated to her right.

## Supporting Microentrepreneurism in the Philippines

**John Owens '84**, chief of party for Microenterprise Access to Banking Services (MABS) in the Philippines, and his associates at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) have come up with a whole new way for microenterprise clients to send and receive money as well as to pay loans and make deposits all via their cell phones.

Through its microfinance program in the Philippines, USAID has found a way for Filipino microentrepreneurs to make loan payments with text messaging, which can help lower transaction costs significantly. The new service, called G-Cash, essentially turns a cell phone into an "electronic wallet" that people can use to send and receive payments via text message. Filipinos can use G-Cash to make payments to utility companies, pay tuition to schools, make purchases at retail outlets like Shakey's Pizza and McDonalds, and even pay business registration fees.

The Philippines may be the text-messaging capital of the world. About 33 million Filipinos own cell phones and send an estimated 200 million text messages a day. But there is more to text messaging than personal communications. As of March 2006, 1.3 million people were using the G-Cash system, which handles about \$100 million per day. This includes microenterprise clients using their phones to bank.

"Using cell phones to send and receive money isn't just something that big businesses can use," says John Owens, chief of party for MABS since 2001. "It can change the way rural microentrepreneurs operate and make a living."

Once the service is more widely used, loan officers will travel less and spend more time processing loans and increasing the quality and size of their loan portfolios. This saves banks valuable staff time and travel costs. According to Owens, savings are already being passed on to bank clients through reduced service fees and lower interest rates.

"This new mobile-phone banking opportunity can help strengthen rural banks in the Philippines," he says. "Using mobile phones to send and receive money allows rural banks to expand their services to clients in rural areas without increasing costs or taking on additional risk."

Accepting payments through text message also reduces the risks associated with the collection and transfer of money in the field. Loan officers, who would normally carry around large amounts of cash while collecting payments from rural borrowers, have in the past been a target for theft and robbery. The system is also safer for microentrepreneurs, many of whom travel long distances to do their banking. Now, with mobile-phone banking, this is beginning to change.

Earlier this year, MABS helped to gain approval from the Central Bank to expand the ability of rural banks to provide G-Cash services and also helped to facilitate Central Bank approval for interested and qualified rural banks. To get these banks prepared to process mobile-phone banking transactions using the G-Cash platform, Owens' MABS team developed manuals and trained staff at more than 200 rural banks.

The use of mobile-phone banking represents the latest step forward in one of USAID's most successful microfinance projects to date. MABS, launched in 1997 with only four participating banks, leverages the Philippines' existing network of rural banks around the country to provide financial services to microentrepreneurs in rural areas.

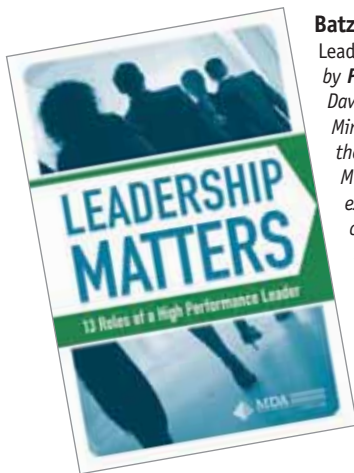
Today, the MABS team works with more than 80 rural banks and 275 branch offices to help them profitably expand their services to low-income entrepreneurs. Most of the participating banks now have profitable microfinance loan portfolios and have expanded their deposit services, leading them to expand their services to more rural clients.

In the past eight years, more than 750,000 micro loans, totaling more than \$165 million, have been disbursed to more than 260,000 microentrepreneurs. More importantly, participants have also expanded their savings services and now manage more than 880,000 micro deposit accounts. MABS has expanded to serve all regions of the Philippines in response to growing demand for training in microfinance best practices.

The program's success prompted a visit last June to one of the participating rural banks (the Cagayan de Oro branch of the GreenBank of Caraga) by the U.S. Ambassador to the Philippines, Kristie Kenney, who recognized the major role played by MABS and its microenterprise clients in the growth and expansion of GreenBank.

With mobile-phone banking, that expansion may accelerate even more. "Text messaging is so easy for people to do," Owens says. "Text messaging and cell phones have changed the way Filipinos live and connect with each other—and we think it will change microfinance."

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## Batz publishes leadership book

*Leadership Matters is an executive handbook written by Paul Batz '85 and his business partners Sandra Davis and Bob Barnett at MDA Leadership Consulting, Minneapolis. The book was introduced in 2006 at the High Performance Leadership Forum held in Minneapolis. Batz and his partners articulate and explain the 13 roles leaders are expected to perform on a day-to-day basis by their subordinates. The book is for people who are learning to lead in environments in which their organization has placed a high degree of trust in them to make the right things happen. MDA's perspective is that leadership is the most critical factor in determining an organization's success. Organizations that prosper and sustain success do so because of strong leaders. (For more information, visit [www.mdaleadership.com](http://www.mdaleadership.com).)*



## A sterling moment

*Patti Boyce Leaf '87, Liz Austin Niblock '87, and Brenda Frisk Erikstrup '86 enjoyed their own mini-reunion when Silpada Designs independent representatives convened at the Silpada Designs National Conference in Kansas City last July. Silpada Designs markets sterling silver jewelry.*

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#### The big 4-0

Six members of the Class of '88 took a "40th-birthday vacation trip," without husbands and kids, to Captiva Island for a week. Celebrating the milestone are, from left, **Anne Sarkinen White**, **Mary Schoenfelder Lee**, **Kari Hubbard Witt**, **Julie Elvstrom Kuehn**, **Kris Amundson Gritters**, and **JoJo Wackerfuss Quackenbush**.

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**Kelliher elected Minnesota House Speaker**  
**Margaret Anderson Kelliher '90**, Minneapolis, has been elected Speaker of the Minnesota House of Representatives, becoming only the second woman in Minnesota history to hold the position. Kelliher was elected to the House in 1998 and worked as an aide to two legislative leaders. In the house she is regarded as an expert on the state budget and has been an advocate of public subsidies such as the Guthrie Theater and planned Twins ballpark. Although representing an urban district, Kelliher is an advocate for statewide issues of healthcare, education, environment, renewable energy, and reduced property taxes.



**Band connections**  
 The 17th annual Gustavus Honor Band Festival was held at Gustavus in early November 2006. Led by Douglas Nimmo, professor of music and director of the wind orchestras at the College, the festival is a two-day, intensive instrumental music experience for talented high school musicians. More than 90 students from 42 high schools participated in this year's festival, including two flutists from Centennial High School in Circle Pines, Rachel Guptill and Rochelle Biljan. Guptill is no stranger to the music program at Gustavus: Her father, Wally, is a 1981 graduate of Gustavus and her brother, David, is a sophomore and a member of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra. What's more, her band director, Becky Schmidt Weiland, is also a Gustavus graduate and an alumna of the Gustavus Wind Orchestra. Pictured with Nimmo (center) are from left Becky Schmidt Weiland '88, her students Rochelle Biljan and Rachel Guptill, and Rachel's brother, David Guptill '09.

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### Lullaby becomes children's book

Hushabye Blushabye is the title of a new children's book written by **Peter Bloedel '90**, director of theatre at Bethany Lutheran College in Mankato. The book began life as a song that Bloedel composed back in 1999 for the Divers, the four-piece band he plays with. After fans began suggesting that it would make a great book, bandmate and colleague **Andy Overn**, an art professor at Bethany, got around to illustrating it during a sabbatical a few years ago, and now a local press has printed it. Copies are available through the Gustavus Book Mark (800/847-9307 or [www.bookmark.gustavus.edu](http://www.bookmark.gustavus.edu))



### Recycled art

Art and recycling united in "Biographical Extensions I," the November exhibition in the UBS 12x12: New Artists/New Work series at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA) in Chicago. The exhibition was mounted by Material Exchange, a collective of three Chicago-based artists including **John Preus '93** that aims to minimize unnecessary waste through the creative redesign and reuse of objects. For the project, Material Exchange collaborated with nine additional individuals including students, friends, and other artists to give discarded MCA office and building materials new life and value as sculptural art.

For three months prior to their 12x12 exhibition, Material Exchange collected and packaged various types of surplus and art-related waste from the MCA store, warehouse, and office spaces. Out of these recycled materials Preus and his fellow artists created both a site-specific and material-specific installation featuring 2 x 2 x 2 foot sculptural cubes of trash including old brochures, used books and papers, surplus wood from art crates, and an old speaker. After the MCA exhibition, the cubes were dispersed throughout Chicago to be used as planters.

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## All-Gustie law firm

Three Gusties make up the all-Gustie law firm of Johnson & Turner in Forest Lake, MN. The firm specializes in family law and domestic violence litigation. Pictured from left are **Karla Ash Lien '97**, who serves as paralegal and office manager; **Chris Johnson '93**, attorney; and **Chris' sister, Erin Johnson Turner '97**, attorney. Lien and Turner met in Section 1C of Norelius Hall during their first year at Gustavus and have remained best friends since.

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## Hailperin connects alumni with students

Gustavus Professor of Mathematics and Computer Science **Max Hailperin** (left) hosted three events in November to connect alumni who majored in math or computer science with students studying in the same fields, to talk about careers. The informal sessions took place over pizza dinner at Godfather's in St. Peter.

Right: Eight alumni gathered November 15 for conversation with current Gustavus students about math careers. Pictured from left are **Anna Gutman '05**, **David Myers '05**, **Bill Kunze '03**, **Katherine Pavelek Kunze '03**, **Matthew Miller '05**, **Nathan Annis '03**, **Eric Peterson '03**, and **Justin Hanson '03**. These alumni



represent a variety of career paths: law school, energy management, the insurance industry, consulting, operations research, and a government agency.

Right: Two alumnae teaching math in secondary schools had conversation with current math education students on November 16. From left are students **Jenny Koffski '09**, **Allison Mulvihill '08**, and **Sarah Manke '09** with **Jodi Parks Bang '04** and **Ally Wood '06**.



Below: Nine alumni gathered November 20 to meet with 10 current computer science students. Pictured from left are **Phillip Knoll '03**, **Josh Hill '04**, **Justin Stevens '08**, **Tim Fontana '07**, **Josh Pioske '08**, **Tony Lapakko '08**, **Karl Selander '10**, **Ben Hardy '05**, **Ben Hays '07**, **Braden Rogness '07**, **Alex Wauck '09**, **Garret Kolpin '04**, **Nathan Selander '03**, **Michael Schmit '06**, **John Engebretson '00**, **Mike Pone '00**, **Steve Andres '10**, **Victoria Connors '05**, and **Josh Knutson '09**.



**Swanson Hauge**, Minneapolis, is attending St. Mary's University for a license in K-12 principalship ■ **Matthew Hennek** is studying chemistry at University of Alabama ■ **Meghan Severson Johnson**, Savage, works at Shop NBC ■ **Heidi Lindell**, Farmington, is an RN at United Hospital ■ **James McHugh**, Iowa City, IA, graduated from University of Iowa Law School and is assistant county attorney for the Buena Vista County Attorney's Office ■ **Ambryn Melius**, Chicago, IL, is lead outreach case manager for Franciscan Outreach Association ■ **Sonja Spande Menard**, St. Louis Park, received a master's degree in teaching from University of St. Thomas ■ **Jon Meyer**, Hugo, is a sales representative for Farner Bocken ■ **Stephanie Nelson**, Davis, CA, received a master's degree in social sciences from University of Chicago ■ **Lindsay Parker Nerland**, Minneapolis, works at Thomson West and is a graduate

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# GUSTAVUS ALUMNI



The first student-teachers trained at Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center were (from left) **Erin Donahoe '05**, **Jenni Edlund '04**, and **Kim Swanson '04**, who completed their teaching requirements during the fall of 2004. **Jill Johnson '04** (second from right) and **Erin Manning '04** (far right) were enrolled in the center's graduate naturalist program at the same time and joined the student-teachers for an all-Gustie photo.

## Gustavus collaborates with Wolf Ridge

by Sara Baer '08

Future educators have been going to Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center in Finland, MN, since 1974 to get hands-on experience working with students on outdoor and environmental programs. The center's training program allows graduate students to learn how to teach in the outdoors. In 2004, Wolf Ridge developed a student-teacher program for undergraduates that would allow them to get the same training as graduate students, while completing requirements for graduation.

"This program is the first of its kind in the nation. Student teachers have found it very valuable, and want to support it and see it grow," says Joe Walewski, program director at Wolf Ridge. "Gustavus is the only school that was brave enough to collaborate with us initially, and Gustavus students are lucky to be going to a school that supports innovative ideas."

Each year, Gustavus education majors have the opportunity to complete the student-teaching requirements for their degree while learning to implement environmental education into curriculum. These students spend seven weeks at Wolf Ridge, eight weeks in traditional classrooms across the state, and finally return to Wolf Ridge for an additional 23 weeks. During their time at Wolf Ridge, they learn techniques and teaching methods, attend seminars, and are evaluated by staff. When they leave Wolf Ridge, they have an opportunity to incorporate the skills that they have learned into a traditional classroom setting.

When the program began in fall 2004, there were three students involved: **Kim Swanson '04**, **Jenni Edlund '04**, and **Megan Donahoe '05**. In the following year, **Molly McGovern '06** and **Dave Dressler '05** completed the program. Molly and Dave fulfilled the classroom experience component at Grainwood Elementary in Prior Lake under the direction of **Sandy Karow Timmerman '84**, who has been taking classes to Wolf Ridge annually for several years. There the student-teachers honed their leadership skills and increased environmental awareness among students. As one of their projects, they started a recycling program and encouraged all of their students to participate. Integrating environmental education into a classroom setting is a must, because it encourages future generations to consider environmental problems. Young people learn to make responsible decisions that affect society.

In addition to the students in the student-teacher program, there are many other Gustavus graduates who have been involved in other ways in the Wolf Ridge training program. Gusties who participated in the graduate naturalist program at Wolf Ridge include **Jill Johnson '04** (completed Wolf Ridge program in 2005), **Erin Manning '04** (2005), **Adam Long '03** (2004), **Michael Billington '02** (2003), **Marie Desaulniers Miller '02** (2003), **Sonia Mascarenhas '00** (2003), **Chip Brofford '84** (2001), **Gretchen Engstrom '98** (2000), **Angela Borland '93** (1999), **Becky Crosbie Meyer '96** (1997), **Todd Winter '94** (1995), **Denise Kiecker Semanchin '96** (1995), and **Ric Swanson '90** (1991).

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## Weddings

**Norman Nelson '49** and Darlene Miller, 5/27/06, St. Charles, IL.  
**Linda Lindborg '64** and Dennis Baehr, 10/7/06, La Crosse, WI.  
**Arla Walton '72** and **Dick Prestin '71**, 8/12/06, Eau Claire, WI.  
**LaVonne Williams Thorud '72** and Gary Thorud, 3/5/05, Bloomington, MN.  
**Linda Hanninen '79** and William Carlyon, 8/5/06, Maple Grove, MN.  
**Melissa Radeke '87** and James McPhee, 9/28/06, St. Cloud, MN.  
**Jan Bjorklund '89** and Melanie Weiss, 5/27/06, Bad Nauheim, Germany.  
**Kristin Haag '92** and Robert Leitell, 10/7/05, Denver, CO.  
**Kristin Barbari '93** and Nathan Schatz, 8/11/06, Austin, TX.  
**Elizabeth A. Peterson '93** and Timothy Krebsbach, 9/9/06, Rochester, MN.  
**Todd Schwanke '94** and Marsha Allen, 5/20/06, Milwaukee, WI.  
**Gretchen Michlitsch '95** and Allen Hillery, 6/23/06, Winona, MN.  
**Heather Wollschlager '96** and Jeremy Rondorf, 6/10/06, Blaine, MN.  
**Stacy Friberg '97** and Matt Fiedler, 5/21/05, Madison, WI.  
**Ryan Lamberty '97** and Marni Orthey, 7/23/05, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Amy Lavin '97** and Dave Ryan, 9/16/06, Bloomington, MN.  
**Martha Malinski '97** and Scott Shoemaker, 8/19/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Angela Sands '97** and Steffen Thieringer, 7/9/06, Eden Prairie, MN.  
**Andrew Velishek '97** and Laura Velishek, 7/21/06, South St. Paul, MN.



### The world on a string

**Peter Hedberg '05** has barely had time to take a breath since receiving a letter of accreditation last fall from the World section editor at the Minneapolis Star Tribune that allows him to string for the newspaper in Europe. He started in Warsaw, staying with an old family friend of **Gustie Travis Lennox '05**, then went to Geneva to work at the Palais de Nations (United Nations). From there it was on to Ecuador on a press junket organized through the U.N. for two weeks. He then returned to Geneva and a few days later hopped a plane back to Warsaw. In November he headed for Greece, "and what comes next I have no idea, [I'm] just flying by the seat of my pants really." He's pictured in Ecuador, with Cotopaxi in the background.

**Tom Kelsey '98** and Hope Dahl, 10/27/06, St. Paul, MN.  
**Amanda Paulson '98** and Greg Laden, 8/19/06, Coon Rapids, MN.  
**Kristi Pettis '98** and Mark Osterlund, 8/4/06, Billings, MT.  
**Benjamin Reitan '98** and Emily Hemstreet, 4/29/06, Chaska, MN.  
**Jennifer Robe '98** and John Reiland, 7/8/06, Oshkosh, WI.  
**Paul Tarnowski '98** and Heidi Amerud, 8/5/06, River Falls, WI.  
**Joe Wahlberg '98** and Katie Rykkeli, 9/23/06, St. Paul, MN.  
**Rebecca Carlson '99** and Wardell Haywood, 7/28/06, Stillwater, MN.  
**Tonya Hartmann '99** and **Tony Meyers '00**, 8/18/06, Brooklyn Park, MN.  
**Erin Klaers '99** and Anthony Hilton, 7/8/06, Plymouth, MN.  
**Angela Schuette '99** and Rory Meagher, 10/13/06, Bloomington, MN.  
**Kari Twedt '99** and James Thompson, 7/8/06, Bangkok, Thailand.  
**Kelly Fletcher '00** and Jeffrey Robertson, 6/3/06, South St. Paul, MN.

### Claymation education

An innovative "claymation" program has become popular with public school students in the Twin Cities' Northwest Suburban Integration District, and it's especially gratifying for **Josh Granlund '03**, a program specialist who teaches the art form. Granlund was likely introduced to clay by his late grandfather, sculptor Paul Granlund '52, but he's using it in a completely different way.

In the realm of edgy art, claymation—a stop-action animation process that uses flexible clay figures—is even more popular with his students than animation, comic-book writing, and graffiti art, and its popularity has prompted Granlund to plan a first-ever film festival for later this spring to showcase his students' claymation videos.

Working with claymation is not simply shaping clay. It requires perfectionism from the artist to constantly adjust and photograph clay models. At least 12 photos are needed to produce a single second of film, or about 3,000 shots for a 3 1/2-minute movie.

The claymation program was started as part of a "Global Arts Village" four years ago, when the Northwest Suburban Integration District, which was founded to desegregate the Osseo and Brooklyn Center school districts, was just a year old. Northwest's "membership" has grown to include Anoka-Hennepin, Elk River, Buffalo, and Rockford as well as Brooklyn Center and Osseo, and the Global Arts Village now includes three program specialists: a dance teacher who used to cheer for the Minnesota Vikings, an audio teacher who was Stevie Wonder's sound man for more than a decade, and Granlund.

Granlund's day is divided into two parts: he leads mini-workshops in the seven school districts, giving about 600 students in a given year an introduction to comic book art or claymation; and he teaches an intensive after-school program open to any student in the member districts. It's been a powerful experience for him, with one exception—transportation problems have prevented many of the students who have signed up for his after-school program from reaching the class site at Northwest's office in Brooklyn Park. Once that kink is worked out, Granlund expects to attract many more student participants.



## Swenson escorts Mondale

During last fall's campaign season, **Matt Swenson '06** (right) drove former Vice President **Walter Mondale** from the Twin Cities to Albert Lea for a fundraiser. During their time together in the car, Swenson learned that Mondale was a Macalester College graduate, so they discussed their liberal arts educations. Swenson boasted about his Gustavus experience and the profound effect that Gustavus has had on his life, then proceeded to give Mondale his gold Three Crowns lapel pin.

**Jill Miller '00** and Andy Wohnoutka, 10/28/06, Bird Island, MN.  
**David Murphy '00** and Nicole Kath, 10/7/06, Shoreview, MN.  
**Kathryn Galloway '01** and **Owen Thoelle '01**, 10/21/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Kelly Martin '01** and Aaron Schoenecker, 7/25/06, Eden Prairie, MN.  
**Matt Miller '01** and Lauren Miller, 9/9/06, Rockford, MN.  
**JR Roever '01** and Suzanne Tack, 8/18/06, Milwaukee, WI.  
**Laura Yudt '01** and **Chad Custer '03**, 9/30/06, Durham, NC.  
**Lisa Abdo '02** and Matthew Cisewski, 8/12/06, Lino Lakes, MN.  
**Dana Anderson '02** and **Jason Tran '02**, 8/26/06, South St. Paul, MN.  
**Christina Coleman '02** and Ryan Montgomery, 10/14/06, Plymouth, MN.  
**Micaela Erdall '02** and Rob Yanda, 3/25/06, Edina, MN.  
**Elizabeth Grinsteiner '02** and Nick Grzechowiak, 5/6/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Chad Henke '02** and Molly Henke, 4/1/06, Waconia, MN.  
**Kristin Hoffman '02** and Robert Peavler, 10/14/06, Greensburg, PA.  
**Brooke Jenkins '02** and Eric Dugdale, 6/25/05, Wayzata, MN.

**Trisha Loveland '02** and Ben Fisher, 9/30/06, Plymouth, MN.  
**Jennifer McCall '02** and John Seidl, Mendota Heights, MN.  
**Nissa Peterson '02** and Brady Fougner, 6/10/06, Woodbury, MN.  
**Kathleen Batalden '03** and Justin Smith, 5/27/06, Arvada, CO.  
**Paul Biederman '03** and Katherine Biederman, 12/31/05, St. Peter, MN.  
**Erin Colon '03** and **Mike Koolen '03**, 7/29/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Tori Greer '03** and Paul Regan, 10/21/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Rachel Gruber '03** and **Matt Beran '04**, 7/8/06, Shakopee, MN.  
**Sarah Holm '03** and Jared Pospisil, 7/29/06, Laporte City, IA.  
**Alicia Lunde '03** and **David Newell '03**, 9/8/06, Bellingham, WA.  
**Erin Schumacher '03** and Aaron Zondervan, 10/7/06, Wadena, MN.  
**Katherine Schweer '03** and Shane Weckwerth, 9/2/06, Clarkfield, MN.  
**Sonja Spande '03** and **Dana Menard '01**, 11/4/06, St. Louis Park, MN.  
**Kurt Bauerly '04** and Jill Harrison, 8/27/05, Otsego, MN.  
**Adam Cornell '04** and Aubrey Onken, 9/9/06, Minnetonka, MN.  
**Carolyn Gamble '04** and **Tim Wanamaker '04**, 7/1/06, Maplewood, MN.

**Rachel Johnson '04** and Nicholas Brisson, 10/21/06, St. Paul, MN.  
**Michelle Kroenke '04** and **Chris TeBrake '04**, 10/21/06, Eden Prairie, MN.  
**Aanna Letnes '04** and Marcus Johannes, Eagan, MN.  
**Tracy Hohertz '05** and **Erick Hoberg '02**, 10/14/06, Mankato, MN.  
**Megan Johnson '05** and Luke Friedrich, 9/30/06, St. Paul, MN.  
**Andrew Madson '05** and Amy Herron, 8/5/06, Minneapolis, MN.  
**Karl Tsuchiya '05** and Theresa Bardy, 10/7/06, Richfield, MN.  
**Kelly Anderson '06** and **Matt Diercks '04**, 10/21/06, Eagan, MN.  
**Ryan Casper '06** and Natalie King, 8/6/05, North Mankato, MN.  
**Jennifer Hanson '06** and Jacob Yost, 7/29/06, St. Peter, MN.  
**Sarah Schmidt '06** and **Andrew Cramblit '04**, 8/26/06, Mankato, MN.  
**Thea Schrupp '06** and Ross Stodola, 7/15/06, Norwood, MN.  
**Tanna Tuomie '06** and **Brady Hoffman '05**, 10/20/06, Mounds View, MN.

## Births

Aidan, to **Patrick Boline '81** and Erin Boline, 6/15/05.  
 Kristina, to **Claire Serrano Rauls '85** and James Rauls, 11/3/06.  
 Chloe, to **Brian Bowers '87** and Teresa Bowers, 6/16/06.  
 Zachary, to **Dan Buchanan '87** and Tammy Buchanan, 8/2/06.  
 Thomas, to **Chris Grabrian '87** and Patricia Grabrian, 10/7/06.  
 Olga, by adoption from Ukraine, to **Peggy Studanski Hengen '87** and John Hengen, born 5/12/97, adopted 9/25/06.  
 Leul, by adoption, to **Sarah Howell '87**, born 10/10/01, adopted 1/06.  
 Kristian, to **Gretchen Robl Hudacek '87** and Alan Hudacek.  
 Edward, to **Paul Koch '87** and Michelle Koch, 10/30/06.  
 Isaac, to **Missy Hammond Matthys '87** and Russ Matthys, 10/1/06.  
 Evan, to **Chantal Dozois Weatherford '87** and Derek Weatherford, 9/18/06.  
 Samantha, to **Gregg Goedde '89** and Jennifer Goedde, 9/18/06.  
 Blake, to **Adam Juntunen '89** and Coleen Juntunen, 3/1/06.  
 Peter, to **Nicolet Luhman Berkey '90** and John Berkey, 8/31/06.  
 Aaron, to **Chris Clemmensen '91** and Anita Clemmensen, 8/16/06.  
 Clara, to **Todd Menssen '91** and Connie Menssen, 6/6/06.  
 Jack, to **Katie Heffernan Carson '92** and Nathan Carson, 9/16/06.  
 Sandra, to **Sara O'Neil Fish '92** and Richard Fish, 3/9/06.  
 Griffin, to **Mark Hagen '92** and Deana Hagen, 3/10/05.  
 Madeline, to **Gina Sexton Halstrom '92** and Mark Halstrom, 12/20/05.  
 Joi, to **John M. Harris '92** and Tondra Harris, 8/2/06.  
 Sylvie, to **Tamara Heggstuen Hedeem '92** and Jason Hedeem '91, 6/18/06.  
 Ethan, to **Kerri Kelly Kindsvater '92** and Dick Kindsvater, 3/15/06.  
 Rylen, to **Jennifer Maether Kissell '92** and Jeff Kissell, 10/15/06.  
 Lillian, to **Peter Kitundu '92** and Anjela Shutts, 7/29/06.

## Erratum

The birth ascribed to **Liz Weyhmann Freeburg '86** in the Winter 2006–07 *Quarterly* is her *grandchild*, not her own child. Our apologies.



Katherine, to **Kristin Stutzman Koller '92** and Christopher Koller, 5/25/05.

Faith, to **Kristin Haag Leitel '92** and Robert Leitel, 8/25/06.

Zachery, to **Michele Zacher Lieberman '92** and Dan Lieberman, 3/8/06.

Josephine, to **Jonathan Lindahl '92** and Terri Lindahl, 10/14/06.

Reed, to **Karla DeKam Lubben '92** and Vince Lubben, 2/7/06.

Cecelia, to **Melissa Wattnem Mahoney '92** and Michael Mahoney, 7/17/06.

Maya, to **Paul Peeders '92** and Monica Sutula, 8/16/06.

Joseph, to **Heather McCleery Capistrant '93** and Andrew Capistrant, 10/18/06.

Logan, to **Krishna Nielsen Crabtree '93** and Jonathan Crabtree, 7/13/06.

Alicia, to **Tara Thomes Keil '93** and **Kevin Keil '92**, 6/18/06.

Emily, to **Kristie Chinander Muetzel '93** and **David Muetzel '93**, 12/18/06.

Kai, to **Troy Rens '93** and Christy Rens, 9/4/06.

Joseph, to **Kimberly Colburn-Lindell '94** and Benjamin Colburn, 3/7/06.

Joran, to **Kerri Pool Foss '94** and Kevin Foss, 9/6/06.

Greta, to **Carrie Wagner Fraser '94** and Charles Fraser, 9/8/06.

Austin, to **John Hacker '94** and Amy Hacker, 9/5/06.

Nolan, to **Teresa Harland '94** and Chad Ostby, 12/10/06.

Chloe, to **Heather Lucken Scholl '94** and Scott Scholl, 6/22/06.

Matilda, to **Amy Haberman Abercrombie '95** and Daniel Abercrombie, 6/6/06.

Mitchell, to **Kelle Sauer Anderson '96** and **Christopher Anderson '97**, 9/7/06.

Nicole, to **Kristine Anderson Gerkin '95** and David Gerkin, 3/30/06.

John, to **David Graham '95** and Gretchen Graham, 10/30/06.

Kate, to **Justin Hoff '95** and Michelle Hoff, 12/17/05.

Ava, to **Jenna Peik Peters '95** and Greg Peters, 11/8/06.

Kiya, to **Kristi Berg Schuck '95** and **Wes Schuck '97**, 8/3/06.

Caroline, to **Clinton Swenson '95** and Jennifer Swenson, 4/19/06.

Benett, to **Darren Carlson '96** and Jessica Carlson, 5/25/06.

Theodore, to **Janna Tuorila Hepper '96** and **Brad Hepper '96**, 3/3/06.

Lucas, to **Gina Samarzia Martin '96** and Loren Martin, 9/5/06.

Emma, to **Sara Machel Beach '97** and Jeff Beach, 8/29/06.

Alexander, to **Grant Boulanger '97** and Shelley Boulanger, 9/18/06.

Lucy, to **Sally Gramstad Casey '97** and Frank Casey, 7/14/06.

Ethan, to **Erica Ciesielski Chaikin '97** and Dan Chaikin, 9/13/06.

Josephine, to **Nicole Engel Chose '97** and **Adam Chose '97**, 12/17/05.

Nikolas, to **Matthew Dahmen '97** and Sara Dahmen, 6/28/06.

Owen, to **Stacy Friberg Fiedler '97** and Matt Fiedler, 9/17/06.

Noah, to **Lana Bauer Hanson '97** and Matthew Hanson, 7/29/06.

Callum, to **Josh Heugel '97** and Anne Heugel, 3/29/06.

Walter, to **Anna Radjenovich Holmes '97** and **Adam Holmes '97**, 8/16/06.

Brynn, to **Dania Spies Kamp '97** and Adam Kamp, 3/9/06.

Ethan, to **Heidi Rietz Kimmel '97** and Jason Kimmel, 5/23/05.

Isabella, to **Bradley Kirscher '97** and Berkis Kirscher, 2/27/06.

Amelia, by adoption from China, to **Dawn Quast Kratzke '97** and Paul Kratzke, born 7/23/05, adopted 10/23/06.

Callen, to **Margaret Sheie Krull '97** and Jeffrey Krull, 8/13/06.

Karley, to **Angela Peck Lacis '97** and Andrew Lacis, 8/7/06.

Hailey, to **Stacey Pauling Lauseng '97** and Andrew Lauseng, 8/8/06.

Ainsley, to **Matthew Lindberg '97** and Angela Lindberg, 10/25/05.

Oskar, to **Amy Swenson Magnusson '97** and **Kris Magnusson '95**, 7/18/06.

Samuel, to **Jennifer Gould Marshall '97** and Aaron Marshall, 4/29/06.

Grace, to **Tami Brown McQuoid '97** and Matt McQuoid, 8/31/05.

Lydia, to **Sarah Marohn Miller '97** and **Nathan Miller '97**, 2/6/06.

Olin, to **Jodi Peterson Nelson '97** and Troy Nelson, 10/20/06.

Alec, to **Kathie Kienetz Oberg '97** and Bobby Oberg, 6/6/06.

Micah, to **Steven Schmidt '97** and Natalie Schmidt, 11/26/05.

Tully, to **Cory Super '97** and Alissa Super, 2/17/06.

Maxwell, to **Amy Tobias-Rogness '97** and Jeffrey Rogness, 7/29/06.

Ethan, to **Joleen Hubbard Turja '97** and Paul Turja, 8/29/06.

Jack, to **Tina Smith Walker '97** and Ralph Walker, 5/21/05.

Owen, to **Katy Hultman Westby '97** and Ryan Westby, 8/7/06.

Elise, to **Adam Westrum '97** and Tracy Westrum, 2/16/06.

Addison, to **Staci Halverson Winter '97** and Steve Winter, 5/13/06.

Peyton, to **Pete Eklund '98** and KellyAnne Eklund, 2/5/06.



### Homework help from the First Lady

**Kelsey Okey '05** (green sweater) is pictured with First Lady Laura Bush and Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty when they visited the Meadowbrook Community Center in St. Louis Park in June 2006. Okey teaches first grade at Peter Hobart Primary Center in St. Louis Park and once a week instructs at Homework Help, which is an after-school program at Meadowbrook, a low-income housing development. As part of her "Helping America's Youth" promotion, Laura Bush stopped by during a visit to the Twin Cities to view the homework-help program and meet the kids and the teachers.

William, to **Melissa Hultgren Engel '98** and **Matthew Engel '98**, 10/18/06.

Chloe, to **Tiffany Tharaldson Hollenbeck '98** and Grady Hollenbeck.

Aidan, to **Pete Johnson '98** and Shannon Johnson, 9/28/06.

Caroline, to **Heather McClelland '98** and Todd Gienapp, 11/1/06.

Zoey, to **Becky Lynn Vanderwerf Myers '98** and **Kevin Vanderwerf Myers '97**, 3/24/06.

Emily, to **Shelley Kuehn Ohnsorg '98** and **Brian Ohnsorg '97**, 8/16/05.

Parker, to **Kirsten Langguth Dussault '99** and **Ryan Dussault '99**, 2/8/06.

Jana, to **Sara Schaefer Faust '99** and **Jeffrey Faust '98**, 7/13/06.

Paige, to **Mike Johander '99** and Holli Johander, 10/16/06.

Oliver, to **Colleen Brady Lindstrom '99** and Matthew Lindstrom, 10/22/06.

Olivia, to **Krista Larson Pawlicki '99** and Jeff Pawlicki, 9/24/06.

Gavin, to **Maggie Skelton '99** and **Mathew Sherman '99**, 10/24/06.

Oliva, to **Mike Wanous '99** and Holly Wanous, 10/5/06.

Andrew, to **Valerie Laabs Bandas '00** and Scott Bandas, 5/2/06.

Owen, to **Michelle Kneeland Barbeau '00** and **Justin Barbeau '98**, 9/29/06.

Thomas, to **Kara Trapp Oien '00** and **Marc Oien '00**, 5/2/06.

Kate, to **Jessica Johnson Schmidt '00** and **Luke Schmidt '99**, 9/6/06.

Cael, to **Ashley Jensen '01** and Cortnee Jensen, 12/15/05.

Benjamin, to **Elise Kahl Knobloch '01** and **Geoff Knobloch '00**, 11/11/06.

Chase, to **Sara Sorenson Quale '01** and Dustin Quale, 8/28/06.

Avery, to **Jamie Brekke Sheldon '01** and Eric Sheldon, 10/26/06.

Elway, to **Emily VanHee Berg '02** and Jesse Berg, 8/2/06.

Devin, to **Melanie Grell Connolly '02** and Sean Connolly, 3/23/06.

Elia, to **Lisa Krause Glaser '02** and John Glaser, 5/7/05.

Jack, to **Sarah Garrison Moe '02** and **Scott Moe '95**, 9/23/06.

Addeson, to **Ann Plaetz '02** and Derrick Jenniges, 6/22/06.

Annabelle, to **Sarah James Rice '02** and David Rice, 7/9/06.

Mollie, to **Kellie Erdall Yanda '02** and Rob Yanda, 7/3/06.

Lyndon, to **K.J. Swanson Hauge '03** and **Eric Hauge '03**, 9/27/06.

Aiden, to **Katie Ulwelling Thatcher '03** and **Brian Thatcher '01**, 8/16/06.

Elijah, to **Sheri Rickabaugh Dack '04** and Jonathan Dack, 8/1/06.

Griffin, to **Sandra Rush Dunigan '04** and **Brandon Dunigan '02**, 8/11/06.

## In Memoriam

**Verona L. Albrecht '32**, St. Peter, MN, on October 10, 2006. She was a retired employee of Gustavus.

**Karl Klein '32**, St. Peter, MN, on January 11, 2007. He was owner

# GUSTAVUS ALUMNI



**Gusties win Grain Belt commercial contest—and a whole lot more!** *Ryan Taylor '02 and Jeff Larson '02 won first prize with their entry of a 60-second commercial in the "Make Your Own Grain Belt Premium Commercial Contest," winning, \$1,000 and a year's supply of Grain Belt, and having their commercial made available on disc to bars across Minnesota. "The Wingman's MVP" is about a guy who covertly flashes signals to his friend at the bar to help him distract the attention of a pretty girl's gal pal so he can be alone with her. The wingman theme was the only one like it out of 51 submissions last summer.*

*Taylor and Larson have been working on film projects for several years, with their roommates appearing in several, including "The Wingman's MVP." To fulfill one of the requirements of the commercial contest—to feature local music—their commercial included music of Filthy Divine, a Minneapolis band, courtesy of Wes Schuck '97 at Two Fish Studios in Mankato. Taylor owns and operates Prime Productions in Minneapolis where he directs commercials and film. Their commercial can be viewed at [www.primeproductions.com/grainbelt.mov](http://www.primeproductions.com/grainbelt.mov), and second- and third-place winners at [www.grainbelt.com](http://www.grainbelt.com).*

of Klein Funeral Home until his retirement and is survived by his wife, Dolores, two sons, and one daughter.

**Gladys Magney Stadden '33**, Elk River, on January 24, 2006. She is survived by one daughter, Patricia Gendron '58, and one son.

**Julia Strathern Hesselroth Helms '37**, Prairie Village, KS, on May 27, 2006. She was active in hospital and church work and is survived by two sons and two daughters.

**Eleanor Stolberg Seitz '37**, Fort Bragg, CA, on December 31, 2006. She was a retired remedial reading educator and is survived by two sons.

**Winfred S. Johnson '39**, Amery, WI, on October 18, 2006. He was a

retired teacher and counselor from Amery High School and is survived by his wife, Mildred, and four children.

**Robert Schweppe '40**, Mankato, MN, on January 1, 2007. He was retired superintendent for Ceylon Public Schools.

**Roland Minette '42**, Esko, MN, on October 16, 2005. He was a retired supervisor of stores for U.S. Steel and is survived by his wife, Janet, and two daughters.

**Allen E. Moline '42**, Slayton, MN, on October 7, 2006. He was a retired science teacher for Slayton High School and is survived by his wife, Bethel, and two children including Lucinda King '73.

**Douglas J. Dahl '43**, Tampa, FL, on October 27, 2006. He was retired

vice president for Liggett Drug Company and is survived by his wife, Doreen, and one daughter.

**Merton V. Lindquist '43**, Salt Lake City, UT, on December 1, 2006. He was a retired international statistician and is survived by one daughter.

**Robert Dean '44**, Duluth, MN, on August 11, 2006. He was a retired employee of The Trane Company and is survived by his wife, Peggy, two sons, and one daughter.

**Nadine Hallum Londeen '44**, Bloomington, MN, on October 17, 2006. She is survived by three children.

**Marian Schamber Wirtanen '45**, Lino Lakes, MN, on March 19, 2006. She was a watercolor artist and volunteer and is survived by four daughters, one son, and one brother.

**William Ringdahl '49**, Wheaton, MN, on August 2, 2006. He was a retired insurance and real estate businessman and is survived by two sons and four daughters.

**Mary Jo Nelson Carlson '50**, Scottsdale, AZ, on January 27, 2007. She was a retired teacher and avid volunteer and is survived by her husband, Richard, two daughters including Nancy Spreigl '83, one son, and her twin brother, Edward '52.

**Ken E. Kamholz '50**, Owatonna, MN, on July 16, 2006. He was a retired loss control manager for Federated Insurance and is survived by his wife, Twila, and two sons.

**Carl F. Nelson '51**, Bloomington, MN, on November 19, 2006. He was retired senior vice president for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter and is survived by his wife, Leslie, and two children, Bob '80 and Caroline Levine '82.

**Lois Nordstrom Pierson '53**, Cambridge, MN, on March 11, 2006. She was a retired teacher and is survived by her husband, Roger, three daughters, and one sister.

**Richmond Anderson '56**, Kansas City, MO, on December 16, 2006. He was a retired Lutheran pastor and is survived by his wife, Lorraine, one son, four daughters including Miriam '81, Kristi Nielsen '82, Inga Thomas '84, and Merita Hartman '85, and four sisters including Kristin Robinson '61 and Ingrid Kessler '66.

**Ron Sjostrand '57**, Ballwin, MO, on November 28, 2006. He was a retired wall covering contractor and is survived by his wife, Char.

**Bradley Millard '58**, Superior, WI, on September 1, 2006.

**Dave L. Wagner '58**, Marshfield, WI, on December 3, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Darlene, and three children.

**Susan Carlson Olson '63**, on January 14, 2007. She is survived by her husband, John, one son, and one daughter.

**Terry D. Pearson '64**, Bloomington, IN, on September 30, 2006. He was purchasing manager for United Technologies Corp. and is survived by his wife, Mary, and three children.

**Richard Gisselquist '66**, Minneapolis, MN, on January 22, 2007. He was a former programmer for Cray, Inc. and is survived by two sons, one daughter, three brothers, and one sister.

**Maureen Brink Anderson '68**, Brainerd, MN, on December 12, 2006. She was a teaching assistant for Brainerd Schools and is survived by her husband, Mark '68, children Christopher '97, Caryn O'Kulich '99, and Chad '08, and sister Mary Fowler '58.

**Robert Flaa '72**, Richmond, VA, on January 11, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Catherine (Wilcox '73).

**Karl Wahlenmaier '75**, Everett, WA, on December 17, 2006. He is survived by his wife, Jessie, and two sons.

**Betty Kopischke Gilchrist '79**, Huron, SD, on January 26, 2007. She was children's librarian at the Huron Public Library and is survived by her husband, Jon, and a daughter.

**Kristen Anderson '81**, Minneapolis, MN, on November 7, 2006. She was owner and operator of Dinkydale Deli and is survived by her husband, Tedd Halverson.

**Amy Benson '90**, Minneapolis, MN, on December 10, 2006. She was employed by Fingerhut Corporation and then at a medical laboratory in Minnetonka. She is survived by her father, Jon, stepmother Judy, and one brother.

**Ruby Boettcher**, East Grand Forks, MN, on November 8, 2006. She was a retired head nurse of the student health service at Gustavus.

**Donald Varpness**, Worthington, MN, on January 2, 2007. He was a former assistant football coach at Gustavus from 1973–78 and is survived by his wife, Audrey, two daughters, and one son.

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*During its international concert tour to Spain and Portugal in January, the Gustavus Choir participated in evening Mass at the Royal Chapel of Seville Cathedral, Spain's largest church and the third-largest cathedral in the world. The choir, led by Gregory Aune, is celebrating its 75th anniversary year. Photo by Dean Wahlund '72.*

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