20 years ago a dynasty began
Prior to graduating from a small high school in southern Wisconsin, I had many options for secondary education. Whether it was Madison or Stevens Point, I researched them all before finally deciding on Platteville. I had attended a few functions here before graduating. One of my favorites was the bridge building and race car competition held each year. I chose to build a car and bring it down. While I didn’t have the fastest car, I did have the one with the most torque (or at least that is what the student who was helping out said). Platteville was also an easier choice because I had friends and family already attending here. It gave me an opportunity to experience a little of the UW-Platteville life before making the commitment to come here.

While some reminisce about high school, my best memories and best friends came from UW-Platteville. My college roommate came from a small town close by, and though we hadn’t connected before college, we became great friends and still stay in touch to this day. Those connections led to other meetings and friendships in other cities, states and countries. I met people from Asia, Kuwait and Europe as well as Oshkosh, Wis., Rushford, Minn., and La Crosse, Wis. During my time on campus, I had the opportunity to experience many different cultures and beliefs that helped shape my future. By opening my eyes to other worlds, it eventually helped me launch my own business and grow globally.

This campus has achieved many milestones. I was here during the Bo Ryan era when he started racking up championships for UW-Platteville. I also got to see the beginning of the evolution of this campus with world class facilities and teachers. Today, UW-Platteville is in a better place to continue that growth when state budgets are being cut. We owe that to its great leadership, faculty and alumni who make this all possible.

While some of the relationships here have faded into memory, many remain strong. I am still in touch with many of the great friends I made in college. Though I don’t meet them for lunch every day, we do find other ways to keep in touch. The association has been a blessing for me both personally and professionally. Because the staff here works hard to keep those relationships strong, I am able to reconnect with lost friends and build relationships with other alumni entrepreneurs. The association is the tie that binds all Pioneer alumni and the connections it makes helps the foundation do its work to make this a campus we are all proud to be part of. I am blessed for the relationships I made here and the connection I have with this university because these are the relationships that last a lifetime.

Forever. Pioneers.

Daniel Paulson
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Retirement scheduled for January 2011

HALL OF FAME INDUCTS FIVE
Three former All-Americans, a current coach and a chancellor emeritus were the 2010 inductees
To our Pioneer Family,

We’ve had an exceptional fall. Our sports teams have been very successful and a delight to watch, and our academic teams were firing on all cylinders as the semester wrapped up.

The volleyball team, with a 33-4 record, won the conference tournament championship and made the NCAA tournament. They suffered a third-round defeat in the end, but to no less than the defending national champions.

Men’s and women’s soccer both have something to celebrate: the women’s team made the conference semifinals for the first time in history and the men’s B.J. Gottschlich was named conference player of the year for the second consecutive year.

Our cross country teams also had a great season. After our men won at the regional competition, they placed fourth as a team at nationals, and while our women’s team didn’t make it to nationals, senior Gina Smith placed in the top third of the field.

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics Scholars team and cohort had a great fall. The 10-student cohort of first-year men and women has been extremely successful in their first semester here on campus. Still in the team-building phase, the scholars and faculty team leaders are ready to make their academic presence known. We look forward to their success.

Dr. Tim Zauche, chair of chemistry and engineering physics, and Dr. Chris Baxter, professor of agronomy, have been leading a team to support an anaerobic digester project at Pioneer Farm. Because of the team’s hard work, they’ve recently received a grant to pursue the project and help make the farm more self-sustaining through waste products that would otherwise be thrown away or used as fertilizer.

Both UW-Platteville mediation teams finished in the top 10 at a national competition held at Drake University Law School in Des Moines, Iowa, in early November against a field of 30 teams. Students Zach Leigh and Matt Jacopelli earned individual All-American mediator honors, and the team of Chaz Nichols and Nick Kohal received All-American honors as well, placing third out of 96 scores recorded in the advocacy division.

Through teamwork, we have the great ability to triumph over adversity and bond in ways that build not just a team, but also a community. I am extremely proud of all of our academic and athletic teams, I congratulate those who performed at their best and cheer in anticipation for those who are yet to compete. It is through dedication and hard work that we can accomplish so much in athletics, in academics and in life, all while making every day a great day to be a Pioneer.

Pioneers. Forever.

Dennis J. Shields
Chancellor
**AG FACULTY EARN TEACHING AWARDS**

**Baxter receives 2010 Distinguished Young Educator Award**

*by Barbara Weinbrenner*

Dr. Chris Baxter, a 1994 UW-Platteville soil and crop science and reclamation alumnus, and now associate professor of agriculture at the university, has received the Distinguished Young Educator Award for 2010 from the American Association of State Colleges of Agriculture and Renewable Resources. Dr. Michael Compton, director of the UW-Platteville School of Agriculture, nominated Baxter and the award was presented in October at the 2010 annual meeting of AAS-CARR at Illinois State University in Normal, Ill.

"UW-Platteville is full of great young educators and I felt honored to be selected as outstanding among this group," Baxter said.

As an educator, Baxter said he focuses course content on students gaining the basic knowledge they need to solve real-world problems and uses a “put the student first” teaching-learning philosophy. He is also involved with the UW-Platteville Collegiate Soil Team.

“Agriculture is the single most important industry out there and UW-Platteville is a great place to get an agricultural education,” Baxter said. “We work hard to ensure that our curriculum gives our students the best education in their specific major.”

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Baxter is also a statewide nutrient management specialist with UW-Extension.

**Kinwa-Muzinga receives 2010 Lindahl Teaching Excellence Award**

Dr. Annie Kinwa-Muzinga, associate professor in the UW-Platteville School of Agriculture, was recently selected to be the 2010 recipient of the Thomas and Lee Ann Lindahl Teaching Excellence Award.

Compton nominated Kinwa-Muzinga for the award. “I believe that Dr. Annie’s student-centered approach to teaching epitomizes the essence of this award,” he said. “She cares greatly for her students and is very approachable.”

In his recommendation letter, Compton cited Kinwa-Muzinga’s innovative efforts and dedication to developing new opportunities for student learning and personal growth, particularly through the program she led to Ghana.

Susan Hansen, interim dean for the UW-Platteville College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture, chaired the committee that selected Kinwa-Muzinga for the award. “Dr. Kinwa-Muzinga was chosen for this honor because it was clear that she is a top-notch teacher and mentor who seeks out opportunities to provide her students with the ‘extras’ that can make a difference,” said Hansen.

Kinwa-Muzinga said she feels fortunate to be the recipient of this prestigious award and she added that it is a priceless honor to have been nominated by Compton.
Role Call

UW-Platteville welcomed newcomers or faces in different roles.

Not pictured: V. Raja Annamalai, lecturer, Chemistry Department; Catherine Break, programs coordinator, Education Abroad; Jorge Camacho, researcher, Nanotechnology Center; Kara Candito, assistant professor, English Department; Rebecca Doyle-Morin, assistant professor, Biology Department; E. Jeanne Durr, director, Human Resources; Jasmine Erbs, lecturer, Chemistry Department; Michael Ernst, director, Dining Services; Dawn M. Freese, lecturer, English Department; John Gillett, lecturer, Department of Mathematics; Douglas Hansmann, lecturer, Biology Department; Sheikh Shajidul Haque, lecturer, Engineering Physics Department; Jovan Hernandez, assistant professor, Counselor Education Department; David J. Hitchins, associate lecturer, Chemistry Department; Lee Jadaan, public information officer, Chancellor’s Office; Lester Lampert, instrumentation specialist, Nanotechnology Center; Bao Lee, associate advisor, Prospective Student Services; Melina Lucia Lozano, lecturer, Foreign Language Department; Erich Matola, director, Office of Information Technology; Jonas Meyer, lecturer, Department of Mathematics; Fernando Miranda-Mendoza, assistant professor, Department of Mathematics; Melissa Moss, lecturer, Biology Department; Andrew Pawl, assistant professor, Engineering Physics Department; Rex J. Rowley, assistant professor, Geography Department; Karen Stinson, director, School of Education; Scott Summers, assistant professor, Computer Science Department; Brenda Sunderdance, services associate, School of Education; Bill Trezevant, special assistant to the chancellor, Chancellor’s Office; Randy Wolfmeyer, lecturer, Engineering Physics Department.
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NEW BACHELOR’S DEGREE IN FORENSIC INVESTIGATION

by Sarah Miller

For the first time this fall, the UW-Platteville Psychology Department offered an emphasis in substance abuse counseling to complement a major in psychology. To obtain the emphasis, students must complete a combination of nine psychology and criminal justice courses.

“The current job market for students graduating with a bachelor’s degree in psychology is challenging,” said Elizabeth Gates, UW-Platteville Psychology Department chair. “However, the field of substance abuse counseling is growing and students graduating with this emphasis will have an advantage as they search for employment post graduation.”

PSYCHOLOGY
NEW SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING EMPHASIS

by Barbara Weinbrenner

Dr. James Hamilton, UW-Platteville professor of chemistry and engineering physics, and the team for his company, Xolve, which was formerly known as Graphene Solutions, won the Cleantech Open competition that identifies, funds and fosters entrepreneurs whose ideas are uncovering solutions for today’s most urgent energy, environmental and economic challenges.

Hamilton, director of UW-Platteville’s Nanotechnology Center for Collaborative Research and Development, was awarded $30,000 for his discovery that keeps sheets of stacked graphene, a flat monolayer of carbon atoms tightly packed into a two-dimensional honeycomb lattice, from sticking together.

Hamilton’s team’s discovery means that graphene – which is 500 times stronger than steel, 1,000 times more electrically conductive than silver or copper, and 100,000 times thinner than one strand of human hair – can now be used to produce nanotubes. This enables graphene to be considered for practical applications like photovoltaics – solar cell material used to produce electricity, batteries and other composite materials.

Hamilton’s win, announced Oct. 7 in Minneapolis, coincided with the recent announcement of Nobel Prize winners in chemistry, Andre Geim and Konstantin Novoselov of the University of Manchester in England, for their discovery of graphene in 2004.

As an expert in his field, Hamilton was also recently appointed to the Special Committee on Nanotechnology created through state legislative action, and also appeared on Wisconsin Public Television’s “Here and Now” program advocating for intelligent understanding of the health and environmental effects of nanotechnology to assist the state of Wisconsin, or any government body, in determining regulations.

UW-Platteville began offering a new bachelor’s degree in forensic investigation, starting in the fall of 2010. Offered by the UW-Platteville Department of Criminal Justice, the program intends to fill the growing demand for better-educated law enforcement professionals with specializations like forensic investigation.

The new 120-credit major, which consists of 36 credits of forensic investigation courses, 12 credits of criminal justice courses and a minimum of 16 credits in chemistry and biology, will educate students in the theory and practice of the methods and analysis used in the forensic investigation process.

Crime scene processing students practice clandestine gravesite excavation at the semi-annual Pig Dig.

CRIME SCENE PROCESSING STUDENTS PRACTICE CLANDESTINE GRAVESITE EXCAVATION AT THE SEMI- ANNUAL PIG DIG.
Mittie Nimocks was appointed the new provost and vice chancellor of UW-Platteville beginning in 2010-2011. In her new role, Nimocks serves as the chief academic officer of the university, responsible for the oversight, development and implementation of programs, curricula and policies that support the academic mission of UW-Platteville.

Under the leadership of Chancellor Dennis J. Shields and in conjunction with the college deans, Nimocks will provide the leadership for the university’s academic programs, including the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture; College of Engineering, Mathematics and Science; College of Liberal Arts and Education; and School of Graduate Studies.

“Dr. Nimocks brings a wealth of experience and expertise to this role,” Chancellor Shields said when making the announcement.

Nimocks’ 24-year career at UW-Platteville includes achieving tenure as a professor, an extensive scholarly record and eight years as dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Education.

“In each of these roles she has had a positive impact on our students and community,” Chancellor Shields said. “Her commitment to shared governance that is the hallmark of the UW System has been evident in all of her service and teaching. She’s an excellent listener and consensus-builder. I am excited that we, as a UW-Platteville community, will have her in this significant leadership position as we build our future.”

Upon accepting her new position, Nimocks said, “I enthusiastically embrace the opportunity to serve the university in my new position. My vision is that our major programs, founded on a well-executed core curriculum, are taught by effective instructors who are passionate about teaching and their disciplines.”

Additionally, Nimocks feels her past experience as a UW-Platteville faculty member gives her a uniquely empathetic perspective when working with faculty and staff.

“I have a deep respect for faculty expertise, input and concerns,” she said. “The goal of everyone on campus is to educate the whole person including, but not limited to, those facets that will make our students successful on the job.”

Nimocks’ appointment became effective Aug. 1.
by Barbara Weinbrenner

The UW-Platteville Biology Department was selected by a special committee chaired by Regent Danae D. Davis to receive the 2010 Regents Teaching Excellence Award for academic departments and programs. The $5,000 award recognizes and rewards an academic department or program that demonstrates exceptional commitment to teaching and learning from among all the UW System institutions.

“The award pays tribute to the impressive dedication of the department and the ability of its members to inspire in your students an enthusiasm both for biology in and beyond the classroom and for learning in general,” read the award letter from Davis and Charles Pruitt, president of the Board of Regents.

Dr. Duane Ford, then serving as UW-Platteville interim provost and vice chancellor, wrote in his recommendation letter that as a department of educators, the UW-Platteville Biology Department excels. He added that while teaching is the department’s focus, he has been very impressed with the research opportunities the department makes available to students.

Ford also cited the department’s efforts to promote international study opportunities, the cadaver lab and how it has helped recruit prospective students, and the new partnership between UW-Platteville, the UW School of Medicine and Public Health, and UW-Milwaukee in order to create the Rural and Urban Scholars in Community Health program.

Chelsey Walker, a UW-Platteville biology alumna, agreed. “UW-Platteville is a great place to attend college, but the biology department is one in its own,” she wrote in her student letter of nomination. “The faculty members are always there for you when you need them and the best part is that they make learning exciting and enjoyable.”

Korrin Schriver, a 2005 UW-Platteville alumna, wrote that her experiences in the biology department gave her a solid foundation for her career as a high school science teacher in Milwaukee. Schriver said the impression from UW-Platteville was so positive that she brings her current students to visit the campus and biology department.

“Several faculty members took time out of their day to talk with my students about the department, course offerings and personal interests,” she wrote. “I feel that I could not have received a more relevant and in-depth education, and I would be proud to send my current high school students to the UW-Platteville Biology Department.”

An award presentation ceremony was held in conjunction with the August Board of Regents meeting in Madison.

“We take our commitment to teaching very seriously,” said Huebschman, “and it’s great to be recognized for our hard work and commitment at this level.”
### Performing Arts Series Spring 2011

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This is just one of the benefits when you join the UW-Platteville Alumni Association.
Distance Education poised for growth in 2011

UW-Platteville Distance Education will undergo many exciting changes in 2011. At the beginning of this academic year, staff began pursuing three key initiatives set forth in the five-year plan.

Three new online graduate programs are going through the permission-to-implement process with the campus and UW System: Integrated Supply Chain Management, Organizational Change and Distance Education Leadership. These programs, with national recruitment efforts, offer unique collaborations between several on-campus departments and are focused on new and emerging career paths. All three programs, which provide the option of earning specialized certificates for professional development opportunities, are unique to UW-Platteville within the UW System and are expected to draw students from a wide variety of business, industry, agency and educational backgrounds. All, including UW-Platteville alumni, are invited to explore the new graduate and certificate programs.

The second initiative is to increase the extent of non-credit activities that support Distance Education’s online programs. The project management program will host its second annual conference on Monday through Friday, July 25-29, 2011. The conference, which is open to all, will focus on soft skills in project management and provide boot camps to prepare participants for PM certification exams. Conference attendees may also register for in-depth post-conference activities on specific PM topics. Watch for additional information about online offerings, including the development of online non-credit training opportunities.

Lastly, Distance Education intends to increase enrollments in online programs by nearly 75 percent over the next five years. This growth will be a combination of enrollments in the new online programs mentioned above, along with growth in all of the existing online programs. The Distance Learning Center is using a range of new marketing techniques to reach potential students across the nation, but word-of-mouth endorsements are always welcome.

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by Paul Erickson

The 2010 fall sports seasons at UW-Platteville featured teams reaching unprecedented heights, with three squads establishing their best-ever finishes and others reaching notable accomplishments.

The men’s cross country team placed fourth in the NCAA Division III national championship race, by far the best finish in Pioneer history. The Pioneers bested their previous top placing, which was ninth in 2009. UW-Platteville came into the championships ranked sixth in the final regular-season poll, but finished only behind national champion Haverford (87 points), North Central (104) and St. Lawrence (137). The Pioneers scored 198 points, the fewest for a Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference school since UW-La Crosse won the 2005 title with 98.

Jason Garvens earned a spot on the national podium for the second straight year, placing 12th with a time of 24:41 over 8,000 meters. He was also the WIAC champion and WIAC Scholar-Athlete. Patrick Klein was 20th, Nathan Petesch 32nd, Anthony Swimm 51st, Bill Clift 83rd, Scott Clark 159th and Matt Borneman 174th.

Three-two teams and 279 runners toed the line on the Wartburg campus course in Waverly, Iowa.

The Pioneers’ Gina Smith qualified individually in the women’s race, finishing 81st out of 279 competitors with a time of 22:17, her second-best time ever. Smith ran a 22:11 over 6K at the Midwest Regionals the previous Saturday, earning her the right to compete at nationals.

Coach Tom Antczak’s men made their seventh trip to nationals as a team and finished second in both the WIAC and NCAA Division III Midwest Regional races.

The volleyball team finished ninth in the final national poll after winning two matches in the NCAA III national tournament. UW-Platteville ended its year with a 33-4 record that included a 21-match winning streak.

Two of the losses came to Wash. U., the defending NCAA III national champions, including one in the Sweet 16 that ended the Pioneer year. The Pioneers’ only other losses during the season came in five-set matches to UW-Oshkosh and UW-Eau Claire, which UW-Platteville avenged while winning the conference to qualify for nationals. The Pioneers claimed the 2010 WIAC post-season championship with a 25-21, 21-25, 25-12, 25-22 victory over host UW-Eau Claire Nov. 6.

Once in the NCAA III playoffs, Coach Deb Schulman’s club swept both Dominican and seventh-ranked Carthage, giving them 20 3-0 sweeps on the year. In a year of dominance on the courts, UW-Platteville won 104 of the 130 sets it played in 2010. Melissa Hillebrand set a national tournament record by making 17 kills with no errors in 19 attempts against Dominican in the opening round.

Both Briana Kaiser (third team) and Ali Sikic (honorable mention) earned All-American honors during the memorable season.
The women’s soccer team accomplished two firsts on Nov. 2 at UW-River Falls: winning the first-ever shootout in program history and qualifying for the WIAC semifinals for the first time. The Pioneers tied UW-River Falls 0-0 then won the shootout 5-4, advancing to the next round of the tournament. Coach Enzo Fuschino’s club lost to UW-Stevens Point in the semifinals, ending the season with an 11-9-2 mark.

IN OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- B.J. Gottschlich won back-to-back WIAC men’s soccer MVP awards, becoming the first Pioneer ever to be named conference player of the year twice in a team sport.
- The football team finished 5-5, including a victory over nationally ranked UW-Eau Claire and the first win at UW-La Crosse since 1980. In the 35-14 victory over 17th-ranked Eau Claire, Lee Vlasak set a school record with five rushing touchdowns. Vlasak, a converted wide receiver, had exactly one career carry prior to the contest.
- The women’s golf squad cracked the 340 mark for the first time in six years, and the Pioneers did so twice while finishing fourth in the three-day conference championships. UW-Platteville shot a season-low 334 in the second round.

DENNY PRATT SPIRIT AWARD

JOE LOMAX

The Denny Pratt Spirit Award is given to an individual who symbolizes true Pioneer Spirit and is awarded in honor of Pratt’s commitment to and respect for UW-Platteville.

Joe Lomax, UW-Platteville professor of criminal justice and 1972 alumnus, received the Denny Pratt Spirit Award in recognition of his dedication to campus and efforts to establish the annual CJ Career Fair at UW-Platteville, maintain outreach to alumni and volunteer his time on committees and through workshop presentations to the community, county and state.

BILSA ALUMNI CHAPTER SERVICE AWARD

ROBERT ENLOE

The BILSA Alumni Chapter Service Award is given to an individual who has shown exemplary service to the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and Agriculture.

Robert Enloe, a 1972 and 1984 UW-Platteville alumnus and agriculture educator at Platteville High School, has served on the College of BILSA Alumni Chapter board of directors since 2004. Enloe donated his time and talents in order to coordinate an alumni bike ride with his wife, Myra, to boost alumni involvement, and he also sponsored a hole during this year’s BILSA Golf Outing.
The 1990-91 UW-Platteville men's basketball season was labeled “a dream come true.” In Bo Ryan’s first six seasons as head coach (1984-90), the Pioneers were members of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics. During UW-Platteville’s first season as a member of NCAA Division III in 1990-91, Ryan and the Pioneers compiled a 28-3 record overall and a 13-3 record in conference, good for second place. The Pioneers competed in the Wisconsin State University Conference, which is now known today as the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Ryan also was named Kodak National Association of Basketball Coaches Division III Coach of the Year. During the 1990-91 basketball season, the Pioneers set 14 team records including highest offensive average at 97.4 points per game and largest margin of victory (87) vs. Mt. St. Clare. They also held an NCAA Division III record for most points in a half (92) against Mt. St. Clare (broken by Lincoln with 104 points in the second half of a game in 2006). Other school records set by the 1990-91 Pioneers were most free throws made during a season (607) and most assists (683).

In the school’s first ever NCAA Division III tournament appearance, they won five straight games en route to the 1990-91 national championship, the school’s first ever. UW-Platteville’s second-round game included a 60-point victory over Christopher Newport 110-50. The Pioneers capped their NCAA III tournament run to the championship, the Pioneers defeated the Franklin & Marshall Diplomats 81-74 in Springfield, Ohio. The team was led by a talented cast of seniors Robby Jeter (17.4 points per game), Shawn Frison (18 ppg), Sean Poole (12.7 ppg), Mike Jones (9.5 ppg), Delano Brazil (8.9 ppg) and Tim Decorah (87 percent made free throws). The team also included sophomore guard T.J. Van Wie (11 ppg). As Coach Ryan always says, however, every player on the 1990-91 national championship contributed to the overall success of the team.

It’s been 20 years since that first national championship, but Pioneer fans remember these names like it was yesterday.

**PIONEER ROSTER 1990-91**

10 T.J. Van Wie
12 Carlton Jeter
20 Tim Decorah
22 Robby Jeter
24 Pat Murphy
30 Shawn Frison
32 Mike Jones

34 Brian Zetting
40 Bill Morgan
42 Delano Brazil
44 Sean Poole
50 Pete Lupori
52 Brian Gilmore
54 Mark Macomber

One banner adorned the Williams Fieldhouse alone after the 1990-91 national championship, but the Pioneers weren’t done yet. With nine consecutive national tournament appearances, the UW-Platteville Pioneers took home the 1990-91, 1994-95, 1997-98 and 1998-99 national championships. UW-Platteville had the best record of any collegiate team of the 1990s and started a home court advantage that included a 96-game regular-season win streak. All thanks, in part, to the 1990-91 Pioneers.

The success of the 1990-91 team carries over to the team members still today. “Success in life is dependent on many of the foundational skills taught and reinforced under the Pioneer program,” Brazil said. “Playing for Bo Ryan demanded a strong work ethic, uncompromised teamwork and resilient attitude. One of the best decisions I have made was to enroll at UW-Platteville and play for Bo Ryan.”
Then and Now

Here is a sampling of what some coaches and players of the 1990-91 team are doing now.

**DEL BRAZIL**
**Then:** Power forward who started all 31 games
**Now:** Entrepreneur/owner of Apex Consulting Engineers in Chicago

**ROB JETER**
**Then:** Forward with a hard-to-defend hook shot, who averaged 17.4 ppg
**Now:** Sixth year as the head coach at UW-Milwaukee

**TODD LANDRUM**
**Then:** Assistant coach
**Now:** Head coach, St. Mary's (Winona, Minn.)

**MARK MACOMBER**
**Then:** Center who played in all 31 games
**Now:** Resides in Lanark, Ill., and is a regional sales manager for Waddell Power

**PAT MURPHY**
**Then:** Guard/forward who played in 15 games
**Now:** Lives in Monroe, Wis., where he teaches special education and serves as the Monroe High School head boys’ basketball coach

**JON NEDELCOFF**
**Then:** Assistant coach
**Now:** Head coach, Oregon, Wis. High School

**SEAN POOLE**
**Then:** Forward who came off the bench to score 12.7 points per game
**Now:** Works for the Stoughton, Wis., Police Department

**BO RYAN**
**Then:** Head coach of the UW-Platteville Pioneer men’s basketball team
**Now:** Head coach of the Wisconsin Badgers

**T.J. VAN WIE**
**Then:** Starter for all 31 games, averaging 11 points per game
**Now:** Resides in Sun Prairie, Wis., and is the director of finance at Wilderness Hotel & Golf Resort

*Note: Others could not be reached for comment*
THE FANS

While winning the 1990-91 NCAA Division III national championship is certainly a highlight for the players, many Pioneers count the fan support over particular games as one of their favorite memories of the year.

“Being part of Pioneer basketball is like being part of a family,” said Rob Jeter, who followed Ryan into coaching. “I remember the fans and their tremendous support,” said Landrum, then assistant coach and now the head coach at St. Mary’s, Minn., “and sitting with Bo, just the two of us in the hotel lobby most of the night, talking about what great kids we had to coach and how happy we were for them and the fans after winning the first title in 1991.”

The hill was one of the tougher things I ever did in my life,” said Murphy, who red-shirted his first year. “I believe I was one of the only guys to run that thing for five years.”

Many times, Ryan would say his teams won because of the work they did in the preseason, as UW-Platteville was almost always in better shape than the opposition.

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The tradition started when Head Coach Mike Ryan took over the team in 1988. Ryan had recently been an assistant coach at the University of Chicago. “They really went out of their way to make sure myself and my teammates felt welcomed. They provided so much support and genuinely cared about all of us.”

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While winning the 1990-91 NCAA Division III national championship is certainly a highlight for the players, many Pioneers count the fan support over particular games as one of their favorite memories of the year.

“Being part of Pioneer basketball is like being part of a family. I always enjoy coming back to Platteville to watch the games and catch up with friends, players and coaches,” Gilmore said. “I think it’s pretty cool to see the same boosters that supported us still out there cheering the team on.”

The pre-game experience in Williams Fieldhouse was a unique experience. One side (with the padded seats) was reserved for season-ticket holders, and the other for general admission. The doors on the general admission side opened one hour prior to game-time, and the students lined up long before that hour to ensure their seats. Once the doors opened, the students rushed the stands, packing that side in just minutes. That scenario made for a strange sight, as one side would be full, and the other nearly empty as those with reserved seats came in much closer to tip-off.

“The fans, faculty and people of Platteville are the best,” said Rob Jeter, who came to UW-Platteville from Chicago. “They really went out of their way to make sure myself and my teammates felt welcomed. They provided so much support and genuinely cared about all of us.”

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Bo Ryan was the architect of the UW-Platteville basketball dynasty during his 15-year tenure, which included four NCAA Division III national championships. He recorded a 353-76 record at UW-Platteville from 1984-99 and his 82.2 winning percentage was the best in the history of NCAA Division III basketball. His 1992 squad also advanced to the Final Four, where it placed third.

UW-Platteville was the winningest team in college basketball during the 1990s, with a 266-26 record (90.9 percent). He was named national coach of the year four times and WIAC coach of the year on six occasions.

He talked with UW-Platteville student Jimmy Flannery about that first national championship team.

Q: The 1990-91 UW-Platteville season featured the highest scoring season in school history and first championship for you. Please talk about what it meant for you and what led to such a successful season.

A: “This was the first year we were NCAA III so for the seniors and others to compete in that environment and experience, it was wonderful. It was great for the students too because it had the feel of a NCAA championship, which was exhilarating.”

Q: What was the feel of Platteville?

A: “I grew up in a town where about four or five blocks were bigger than Platteville. My wife and I came down to raise a family and be a part of a community where they were very supportive of their town and community, and we identified this region as the place to be. We took this seriously in representing not just Platteville as a university, but as a city. I smile at the 15 years of living and working in Platteville. It was a tremendous opportunity as a family.”

Q: As a coach you laid the groundwork for the team. How did the 1990-91 team become role models for future players?

A: “I went along for the ride. Good players, good assistants, good support in school, and all I did was talk to the officials on the side. I was known for talking to the officials on the side. Our players were dedicated to be a very good team, and we also had great players. All the parts fit well into what was a whole: teamwork and dedication. We had great execution and guys picked up for other guys every night. Seeing the work ethic in practice, on the hill, in conditioning and the weight room leading up to the season, I just knew this was something special. They had the opportunity to play in the postseason and they took advantage of it and brought home the crown.”

Q: You are still tied to Platteville, as an assistant coach on your staff who has been with you for a long time, Greg Gard, is the brother of Jeff Gard, the current head coach at UW-Platteville. Talk about ties with Platteville and what that means to you and how you keep in touch.

A: “I feel like I’m the English teacher I had in high school. She had the effect on pushing us as students and we were better as a result of being in that classroom. Good ones stand out and the ones that you gain something from are the ones you remember. I just hope that the things we taught and things we used as motivation when it came to making people better are things that our players are still using. That is something we do as coaches and teachers. We always hope that when they look back at all the different people who have been a part of something that is good and special and worthwhile, that they use those lessons later in life. What a great job I have; I get to teach life through a game. I know our guys learned a lot about life and are using it right now.”

Q: Please put this in perspective: Name one thing about UW-Platteville that makes it great and stand out special with basketball and everything combined.

A: “I feel you can express yourself and not be overwhelmed with the environment. It seemed to me that UW-Platteville centered around each individual having the opportunity to express themselves to get better, seek help and find help, and help was available. Everybody wants to be a part of something like that, and UW-Platteville definitely is a great fit.”
by James Hibbard, university archivist

If someone were to read the Exponent’s sports pages before 1930, they would notice something different. The school’s sports teams were not referred to as the Pioneers, but rather as the “Normals” during the Normal School era and the “Platteville Teachers” or “Teachers” after the school became a state teachers college. Beginning in 1930, however, the sports teams were increasingly referred to as the Pioneers. Why did this happen? Curiously enough, it involved a book, the school’s seal and forgery.

The story began in the spring of 1910. The senior class, which had the responsibility of publishing the school’s yearbook, decided to hold a contest to decide on a permanent name for the publication. Since its first issue in 1895, nine different names had been used for the yearbook, including Silvertips, The Tiger’s Lair and The Spectrum, to name three.

The contest’s winning name, suggested by Duncan McGregor, former president of the Normal School, was Pioneer. As explained in an April 1910 article in the Exponent, “The Pioneer is a most fitting title for an annual as the Platteville Normal is the pioneer Normal of Wisconsin, and has constantly been a pioneer in educational movements.”

The students liked the name Pioneer for their yearbook and took pride in it. Over the next 20 years, the Pioneer yearbook became the one constant on campus amidst a sea of changes in enrollment, curriculum and new facilities. Not surprisingly, the students gradually began to see themselves as pioneers. In 1925, for example, a student singing group organized as the Pioneer Gleemen, and in 1928, a newly established student theatrical group called themselves the Pioneer Players.

Parallel to these developments, on July 1, 1927, Platteville and the other normal schools, which had been three-year institutions, became four-year institutions and changed their names to state teachers colleges. These changes enhanced the value of a degree from these institutions. Unfortunately, it led to a rash of forged diplomas. To defend against this forgery, the state colleges began to design and approve official school seals.

At Platteville, the State Teachers College formed a school seal committee and met in December 1929. Significantly, the committee let it be known that “the pioneer idea is the central idea for the seal.” The students embraced this enthusiastically. Just one month later, in January 1930, the student writers of the Exponent began referring to the Platteville sports teams as “Pioneers.” The students, moreover, expanded upon this visually. The emphasis in the 1930 Pioneer yearbook became the pioneer theme. The log cabin, covered wagon and buckskin-clad frontiersman graced its pages. Within a few years, the name Pioneers stuck and the old names were long forgotten.

As for the school’s seal, after more than four years of debate, it was finally approved in April 1934; its central theme was the old Normal School’s bell. In honoring the “pioneer idea,” it expressed perfectly how the students, faculty and staff, then and now, see their school: as the pioneer State Normal School that continues to be a pioneer in education.
Tyler Jacobson toured the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., when he was 12, but when he returned this summer, he had an even better time.

The UW-Platteville sophomore electrical engineering major accepted the 2009 George W. Rulon American Legion Baseball Player of the Year Award. The national award goes to a Legion player who combines athletics, academics, sportsmanship and community service.

He was voted to receive the honor after the 2009 season and then presented with the award June 20 during the Hall of Fame Classic in Cooperstown.

“In the two days I was there, I was actually at the Hall of Fame three different times to get through the museum,” Jacobson said. “It takes a lot of time to get through there. Then at the Hall of Fame Classic, they presented the award in the middle of the game. I was also able to go on the field and get autographs from seven different Hall of Famers and a few other major leaguers as well. It was a really cool experience.”

Jacobson, who won scholarships totaling $3,500 from the American Legion and Gatorade, hit .553 for the Pulaski American Legion summer team in 2009. For the Pioneers, the shortstop played in 36 games, starting 28 in 2010. He hit .250 with five doubles and 18 RBIs.

Jacobson was part of a Pioneer team that qualified for the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference playoffs for just the second time in school history.

“It was great,” he said. “Going into the last weekend of the season, there were four teams fighting for a spot. After we won the last game at Superior, we had to wait about a half hour on the bus to get the word that Oshkosh lost. When we got the text message, the bus just kind of erupted. It was one of the greatest bus rides I’ve ever been on.”
Alumnus volunteers during Haiti's earthquake disaster

by Sarah Kessler

When a massive earthquake hit the small country of Haiti on Jan. 12, 2010, UW-Platteville alumnus Jerome Flogel was asked by Engineers Without Borders to go to Haiti and help volunteer through a program called Meds & Food for Kids.

EWB is a constantly growing organization that strives to help all countries attain basic human needs such as clean water, sanitation, power and education. MFK is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping malnourished children in Haiti become healthier by using Haitian resources whenever possible, as well as producing the food in Haiti.

Flogel, who received his bachelor’s degree in environmental engineering in May 2006 and is a certified diesel mechanic, said he has been volunteering for as long as he can remember. “I realized while I was back in school as a nontraditional college student that I was very fortunate in life experiences, including the opportunity to return to UW-Platteville,” said Flogel.

“I decided I needed to dedicate some time in returning my good fortune to others.”

Through volunteering, Flogel said he has learned that the people he has had the honor of working with are rich in many aspects of life that are not always easily recognized as having value.

“My hope is that the time I volunteer is part of a seed that EWB plants and keeps growing in a community,” said Flogel. “EWB insists that we work alongside a community in a partnership and mentoring role, not just as a construction crew that builds and leaves. MFK was founded on the same sustainable principles.”

When Flogel flew to Haiti to help out with MFK, he was able to help train staff on how to repair and maintain vehicles. In two weeks, Flogel helped to establish a maintenance program with recordkeeping, and was also given an opportunity to use his engineering experience to begin assessing a water supply in an orphanage, where he hopes to return.

Flogel said that traveling and volunteering in multiple countries has made a large impact on him. “The visuals of all the people living under tarps and in tents on the streets is real,” he said. The visits have influenced how he lives today. “They make me pay attention to what is going on in the news, the origin of the things I buy and about the daily work I do for a living.”

Flogel added that the rewards he has gained from volunteering are learning and teaching. “I try to teach what I am able, and I feel the lessons I learn far outweigh my ability to teach,” he said “Those lessons have been a gift I will have a hard time repaying.”

Flogel credits the education he received through his experiences in travel and volunteering to Tammy Salmon-Stephens, his UW-Platteville academic advisor. According to Flogel, Salmon-Stephens encouraged him to study abroad through the UW-Platteville International Exchange Program.

Flogel currently commits his time to EWB, MFK and Mentor Duluth. He resides in Duluth, Minn., and is employed with MSA Professional Services.
SUMMER PROGRAMS SCORE BIG WITH HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Campers investigate forensic science

by Barbara Weinbrenner

UW-Platteville hosted the Crime Scene to Courtroom Forensic Science Camp through the UW-Platteville Office of Continuing Education July 18-23. The camp explored crime scene investigation, evidence analysis and the justice system with the goal of introducing 24 high school students to potential career options in criminal justice, chemistry and political science.

Aric Dutelle, UW-Platteville assistant professor of criminal justice and forensic investigation program coordinator; Dr. Chuck Cornett, UW-Platteville professor of chemistry; and Dr. John Rink, UW-Platteville professor of political science; collaborated to teach the camp.

“It went extremely well,” Dutelle said. “The campers were all engaged and interested. All 24 spots were filled and several more were on the waiting list.”

“The kids had fun learning about the entire process and comparing it to what they see on television,” said Sarah White-man, a recent UW-Platteville alumna who also served as a student assistant for the camp. “They really enjoyed the hands-on portion of the camp.”

Students explore engineering

by Ian Clark

High school students from Wisconsin and across the tri-state area came to the UW-Platteville campus in June to explore the seven different engineering majors the university has to offer. The Explore Engineering summer program allowed high school juniors and seniors interested in engineering to experience UW-Platteville’s seven different varieties.

Led by Osama Jadaan, chair of general engineering at UW-Platteville and program coordinator, and other faculty, attendees used the materials and classrooms of the university’s engineering students, working hands-on with equipment to help realize practical applications of engineering know-how.

“The hands-on lab activities were a blast; we knew what we were actually calculating instead of just working with formulas and numbers,” said Casey Carignan of Baraboo, Wis. Now a freshman at UW-Platteville, Carignan came to camp to familiarize herself with what will be home for the next four years and to take advantage of the Introduction to Engineering Projects one-credit course waiver.
Garnet Wind presents at the Oxford Union

Excerpt from Wind's chapter

"Dare to dream of schools where children of all backgrounds are taught to respect people who are not the same as them. Dream that all children are required to respect each other's differences, thus increasing their own cultural competencies and social skills. Dare to dream that critical thinking and inquiry skills are encouraged from an early age, rather than demanding that children blindly accept authoritarian rule. Dare to dream that Native children entering school are not judged solely by standards that are alien to their cultures and homes; that children not be forced to conform or be labeled failures."

by Barbara Weinbrenner

Garnet Wind, instructor in the UW-Platteville Department of Continuing Education, recently published a chapter entitled "Anti-Bias Dreams for Native American Portrayals in Children's Literature" in the textbook "Adventures, Fantasy, and Dreams in Children's Literature." The book includes 15 chapters by 13 different authors and explores subjects including American literary traditions evident in Native American and African-American folklore, as well as current analyses of those traditions.

Wind, who is a member of the Chickasaw tribe located in Oklahoma, said her chapter is an eye-opening view of how Native Americans have been portrayed in children's literature and asks readers to apply critical thinking skills in selecting children's reading material in schools, libraries and in the home.

Wind was invited to contribute to the book following her presentation at the invitation-only Oxford Round Table, a non-profit organization that promotes education, art, science, religion and charity by means of academic conferences and publication of scholarly papers, according to their website. The Oxford Round Table was held in March 2009 at Oxford Union in Oxford, England.

"There are 39 schools at Oxford and I stayed at Pembroke," Wind said. "Following my lecture at Oxford Union, Judith McConnell-Farmer, an editor, contacted me and asked me to include the subject matter that I presented as a chapter in this book. The experience was unique in that I was able to meet many of the other authors at the conference."

On the UW-Platteville campus, in addition to her academic duties, Wind facilitates Stop the Hate sessions, visits classes as a guest speaker and served from 2006-10 as advisor for the Inter Tribal Council. She has also published several poems and stories, has 10 pieces of her artwork included in a number of museum exhibits and contributed a memoir chapter to "Split Feathers: Two Worlds," edited by Trace DeMeyer.

"Garnet's writing, both poetry and prose, haunts me, stays in my memory and in my heart; her writing opens me to new perspectives and transforms me," said Dr. Rea Kirk, UW-Platteville professor of education. "I am sure that readers of her work will know they have just read something very real and very profound, and they too will be touched and changed."
PIONEER FARM MAKES A SPLASH AT WATER QUALITY CONFERENCE

by Barbara Weinbrenner

The UW-Platteville Pioneer Farm hosted a professional development conference related to water quality for small and medium-sized livestock farms. Sixty agriculture extension professionals traveled from 10 states in order to attend Aug. 11.

The event was designed to provide information to extension faculty working in the various states who serve as a resource to farmers and agriculture industry professionals, said Dr. Chris Baxter, UW-Platteville associate professor of agriculture.

“During our planning committee, someone suggested the UW-Platteville Pioneer Farm as a central location,” said Natalie Rector, extension statewide nutrient management educator at Michigan State University and conference organizer. “Pioneer Farm is an excellent example of extension research and demonstration teamed up with an excellent facility for outreach.”

Baxter added that the event was important for Southwest Wisconsin because he feels that Wisconsin is a leader in monitoring and research on agricultural effects on water quality.

“I believe the best outcome was the networking opportunity for extension faculty,” said Baxter. “This event allowed face-to-face sharing of information and ideas to address a common problem – efficient and environmentally-sound use of livestock manure as an agricultural resource – and it will likely lead to collaborative efforts among those that attended.”

Egley Returns to Pennsylvania Roots

by Barbara Weinbrenner

Retiring in January 2011 after a 31-year career with UW-Platteville, Richard Egley has lent his leadership to roles in Student Housing, Student Services, University Centers and Dining Services, and most recently to Student Affairs, where he served as dean of students.

Dr. Mick Viney, UW-Platteville assistant chancellor for Student Affairs, acknowledged Egley’s dedication of over 36 years of his life in service to students at three different campuses, including the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville and Indiana University at Bloomington prior to UW-Platteville. “Central to Rich’s service here has been his commitment and dedication to students,” Viney said.

Linda Mulroy-Bowden, UW-Platteville associate director of Student Housing, said that she most admired and appreciated Egley’s student focus, his willingness to give a second chance to staff and students alike, and his kindness.

“As he makes this turn into retirement, we wish him the very best and send him off with our appreciation for an outstanding career that has spanned several decades and touched many lives,” said Rhonda Viney, UW-Platteville director of Student Housing. “He’s definitely one in a million – and one that won’t be forgotten.”

Egley’s retirement plans include returning to his home state of Pennsylvania and devoting more time to his interest in Gettysburg. He said that he plans to return to Platteville from time to time to visit friends and take part in the many traditions on campus. “I never thought it would go this fast, but I’ll be back,” he said.

Direct congratulations to Egley at the Office of Student Affairs or egley@uwplatt.edu.

Marie Peppler from the United States Geological Society presents at conference.
COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CONTINUES OUTREACH

by Mike Lambert

The UW-Platteville Community Scholarship Program continues to grow and reach out to area high schools by awarding prospective students scholarships to aid the cost of higher-level education. Since July 2006, 10,796 total gifts have been pledged, raising more than $453,330. These donations have helped the program establish 468 separate high school funds, including schools in Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois and Minnesota.

Many of those who donate to the fund choose the high school that they previously attended to receive part of their donation. With each donation that the program receives, half of the funds are placed into an endowment specific to the particular high school, leaving the remainder to be available for immediate scholarships. Endowments ensure that future scholarships are available to students.

The Community Scholarship Program is coordinated through the UW-Platteville Foundation, which works in cooperation with area high schools. The Foundation aims to support prospective UW-Platteville students with supplemental scholarships and funds, which today helps to aid 12.5 percent of all UW-Platteville students financially.

Gina Udelhofen, director of annual giving and donor relations at the UW-Platteville Foundation, said, “The scholarships we give continue to be relevant in today’s economic climate with the ever-rising cost of tuition. We want to give the opportunity of post-secondary education to all the students who seek it. One of the long-term goals that we have at the UW-Platteville Foundation is to help all students at UW-Platteville financially, not just incoming freshmen.”

In February 2011, the UW-Platteville Foundation will hold its annual spring Phonathon, which aims to seek donations from alumni and friends for the UW-Platteville Community Scholarship Program. Udelhofen said that this is a good time for potential donors to help prospective students continue their education.

“Education is one of the best gifts that we can give to future generations. We need educated individuals to create a better tomorrow. The education that the young people in this country receive is crucial to the future of this country as a whole.”

For more information on how to donate, contact Udelhofen at 608.342.1968 or at udelhofg@uw-platt.edu.

A NIGHT TO CELEBRATE

Forever. Pioneers - A Night to Celebrate was held in Madison, Wis., on Oct. 2 at Brittingham House, the official residence of UW System President Kevin P. Reilly and his wife, Kate. The celebration was an opportunity to support UW-Platteville students and to provide expanded enrichment opportunities for those worthy students who would otherwise not be able to participate in such opportunities due to financial limitations.
by Robert Callahan

As a former football player at the Wisconsin State College and Institute of Technology, now UW-Platteville, Robert “Bob” Sullivan recently sponsored a seat at Ralph E. Davis Pioneer Stadium. The $250 sponsorship ensures Sullivan will have a plate attached to the bleacher in section D, row 22, seat 20, will read Bob “Sully” Sullivan.

“I wore number 20, so I got the seat I wanted and I’m happy,” Sullivan said.

Sullivan grew up in Dwight, Ill., a village 75 minutes southwest of Chicago. He attended Dwight Township High School.

“I was an honor student and I knew I wanted to go to college,” Sullivan said. “I didn’t know if I wanted to be a teacher or coach or what.”

His high school football coach was a roommate of Pioneers’ assistant football coach John Barth while they were students at Ripon College.

“That was the connection that got me to Platteville,” Sullivan said. “I was interested in math and they had a good math program with George Bullis and E.G. Harrell.”

Sullivan enrolled in classes in the fall of 1960, and found a place in the Pioneers’ secondary. He started the first game of his freshman season, against UW-Whitewater.

“My mom and dad drove 220 miles to see me play my first game,” Sullivan said. “They surprised me.”

Sullivan intercepted a pass on the Pioneers’ two-yard line but UW-Whitewater prevailed, 24-0.

Sullivan graduated from college in 1964. He returned in 1968 to earn a master’s degree and as a graduate student, he witnessed the construction of Ralph E. Davis Pioneer Stadium.

“Hill Field was nice, but the difference between it and the stadium was like night and day,” Sullivan said.

The UW-Platteville Foundation is raising funds that will aid in the construction of a facility southwest of Butch Leitl Field in Ralph E. Davis Pioneer Stadium that will include locker room space, an area for officials, as well as a multi-purpose space for team meetings, film review, game preparation and special events.

In addition to seat sponsorships, step sponsorships are also available for $500. A step sponsorship ensure the sponsor’s name is seated into an aluminum plate and attached to a stadium step.

Sullivan’s stadium seat was unveiled at UW-Platteville’s all-football reunion on Sept. 11, where he also shared memories with his former teammates.

To join Sullivan as a Ralph E. Davis Pioneer Stadium seat sponsor or for more information, call the UW-Platteville Foundation at 608.342.6122.
COLLEGE OF BILSA

OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD

The UW-Platteville College of BILSA Outstanding Alumni Award recognizes individuals who have achieved noteworthy career success by contributing to knowledge that advances their profession through research or professional activities, made significant contributions to society in the form of philanthropic donations or demonstrated visionary thinking or actions.

KARI (NODOLF) APEL

Kari (Nodolf) Apel, a 1998 business administration, accounting and finance alumna, is a certified public accountant and owner and president of Apel Associates Inc., an accounting firm in Prairie du Sac, Wis. In addition to her work, Apel also pursues continuing education courses and coaches her daughters in volleyball.

CHRIS BECKWITH

Dr. Chris Beckwith, a 1993 biology alumnus and graduate of Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa, is currently the owner and president of Beckwith Chiropractic Neurology in Moline, Ill. Beckwith is a faculty member at Palmer College and Carrick Institute for Graduate Studies, and an American College of Functional Neurology Fellow.

KIMBERLY BROWN-POKORNY

Kimberly Brown-Pokorny, a 1994 animal science and agriculture industries alumna, serves as executive director of the Wisconsin Veterinary Medical Association. Brown-Pokorny, who volunteers with the Rock River School District and Dodge County 4-H, has also received the WVMA President’s Award and Friend of World Dairy Expo award.

DANIEL E. LAUFENBERG

Daniel E. Laufenberg, a 1969 comprehensive business and economics alumnus, received his master’s and doctorate degrees in economics from Iowa State University. Laufenberg retired in 2009 as chief economist and vice president of Ameriprise Financial and currently serves as an economic consultant, author of “Laufenberg Economic Quarterly” and economist for Stonebridge Capital Advisors.

SONJA (PEACOCK) WALDNER

Sonja (Peacock) Waldner, a 2001 industrial technology and safety management alumna, currently works with the Iowa Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Waldner served as a board member for the North Iowa Business and Industry Group from 2002-05, and also for the UW-Platteville Department of Industrial Studies Advisory Council from 2003-10.

FRIEND OF THE COLLEGE AWARD

The Friend of the College Award acknowledges individuals who have provided opportunities for students, assisted faculty and aided in technological improvements.

ROGER THIMM

Roger Thimm, a controller at Wondra Excavating Inc. in Iron Ridge, Wis., has been involved with the UW-Platteville building construction management program for the past seven years by mentoring students in the National Associated Builders and Contractors Student Competition and serving on the UW-Platteville Department of Industrial Studies Advisory Council.

COLLEGE OF LAE

ARTS AND LETTERS HALL OF FAME

The Arts and Letters Hall of Fame honors faculty, staff, retirees, alumni and friends for their advancement of interests and standards for the arts and letters at UW-Platteville. These individuals promote a mutually beneficial relationship between UW-Platteville and the greater university community.

JOHN BEUTEL

John Beutel, a 1965 and 1971 music education alumnus, taught in the Fennimore and Stoughton area school districts in Wisconsin until retiring in 2001. Beutel, who belonged to the Wisconsin School
Music Association and chaired the Middle Level Honors Choir Program, currently conducts the Stoughton Chamber Singers and choirs at Christ Lutheran Church.

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The College of LAE Professional Achievement Award is given to non-education professionals with noteworthy career success, outstanding scholarship and/or humanitarian commitment.

KATE (ALBRECHT) NESHEIM

Kate (Albrecht) Nesheim, a 2000 psychology alumna, serves as executive director of the Wisconsin Association on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse. In her role, Nesheim coordinates all activities of the organization, including its three-day annual conference in Madison, Wis., where she interacts with the Department of Regulation and Licensing and other state agencies.

FRIEND OF THE COLLEGE

THOMAS HICKEY

Thomas Hickey, professor emeritus in English at UW-Platteville and long-time member of the University Singers and Pioneer Players, continues to support teaching, singing and performing on campus. Remaining active at UW-Platteville, Hickey also contributes to the Rountree Chamber Ensemble and serves on the Arts and Letters Hall of Fame and student commencement speaker selection committees.

NANCY OLSON

Nancy Olson, who has been the social worker for Platteville Public Schools in Wisconsin since 1992, has maintained a close connection with the UW-Platteville Psychology Department. Olson has supervised at least one practicum student every year for the past 15 years, giving them opportunities to tutor and mentor at-risk students and observe and co-facilitate support groups.

COLLEGE OF EMS

OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD

The College of EMS Outstanding Alumni Award recognizes individuals who have achieved noteworthy career success by contributing to knowledge that advances their profession through research or professional activities, made significant contributions to society in the form of philanthropic donations or demonstrated visionary thinking or actions.

JOHN WHITE

John White, who graduated from the Wisconsin Mining School, now UW-Platteville, in 1947, served Dubuque, Iowa, as city engineer from 1960-74. During his career, White not only worked to protect the Mississippi River, Dubuque Town Clock and Old Majestic Theatre, but has also been an active contributor to UW-Platteville Athletics, the arts and Dale Dixon Fund.

CAROL (FISCHER) WEBER

Carol (Fischer) Weber, a 1989 electrical engineering alumna, joined Caterpillar in Peoria, Ill., in 1990, and is currently the senior engineering project team leader for the electronics and controls applied research division. Weber is a member of the Women in EMS Advisory Board and serves as a role model and mentor to women at UW-Platteville.

DELTA 3 ENGINEERING

Scott Chyko, Dan Dreessens and Bart Nies, all UW-Platteville civil engineering alumni, are the co-owners of Delta 3 Engineering, a municipal and civil engineering firm in Platteville. In addition to their growing business, which now has a staff of 16, all three men have maintained a close connection to UW-Platteville and also volunteer in the Platteville community with organizations including Habitat for Humanity, Platteville Jaycees, Boy Scouts of America and Platteville Youth Basketball and Baseball.

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DWIGHT KLAASSEN

Dwight Klaassen, UW-Platteville professor emeritus in chemistry, joined UW-Platteville in 1964. Over his 36-year-career, Klaassen not only made significant contributions to UW-Platteville as an educator with a keen interest in his students, but also through his service as associate dean of Student Affairs, assistant chancellor for University Advancement and executive director of the UW-Platteville Foundation.
Three former All-Americans, a current coach, and a recently retired chancellor were the 2010 inductees into the UW-Platteville Hall of Fame.


Their inductions brought the Hall of Fame membership to 159.

First row: (left to right) Deb Schulman and Philip Wolf
Second row: (left to right) Paul Conlin, David Markee and Dave Runde
PAUL CONLIN, CLASS OF 1993

Paul Conlin was a three-time national champion in the shot put, winning the outdoor titles in 1992 and 1993, and the indoor in 1992. He finished as runner-up at the national championships twice.

Perhaps an even bigger mark of his prowess is that he still holds the fifth-best outdoor shot put in NCAA Division III history, unleashing a throw of 62 feet, 7.5 inches that still serves as the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference record. He threw the indoor shot put 60 feet, 3.5 inches during the 1993 season. Both his indoor and outdoor marks are two of the oldest school records at UW-Platteville.

Conlin, who was second in the Drake Relays in 1993, capped his standout season with the national championship and then with a fourth-place finish in the Olympic Festival shot put. He was the 10th-ranked shot-putter in the entire United States, according to Track and Field News.

Lending his expertise as the throws coach at UW-Eau Claire for the past 14 years, Conlin has coached a pair of NCAA DIII national champions.

DAVID MARKEE, CHANCELLOR EMERITUS, CLASS OF 1964

No single person has supported UW-Platteville Athletics more than Chancellor Emeritus David Markee.

During his 14 years as the chancellor, the athletic department and the student-athletes enjoyed great success as well as tremendous improvement in facilities. During his tenure, which ended with his retirement in 2009, major renovations were completed in Pioneer Stadium, Williams Fieldhouse and the Pioneer Activity Center, as well as brand-new track and cross country courses, a new baseball field and Pioneer Fitness Center.

Chancellor Emeritus Markee also left his impressions on the student-athletes by promoting the overseas trips for the teams. He attended almost every home event and was often seen on the road for several contests. Most impressively, he took time out of his schedule to attend practices and get caught up on the Pioneer prospects during the season.

DAVE RUNDE, CLASS OF 1991

Dave Runde is one of the finest linebackers ever to play at UW-Platteville. He earned both first team Wisconsin State University Conference and NCAA DIII All-American honors in 1988 and 1989. He was honored by Football Gazette with second team All-American honors as a junior and first team accolades as a senior.

Runde led the team in tackles for two straight years, earning the team’s MVP honors both seasons. In 1989, he was a key component on defense for a Pioneer squad that defeated number one ranked and eventual national runner-up UW-La Crosse as well as nationally ranked UW-Whitewater and Wagner College.

He racked up 113 tackles while leading the Pioneers to a 6-4 record in 1988. Never one to be satisfied, he stayed in Platteville during the summer prior to his senior year to study Chicago Bears Mike Singletary during the Bears’ training camp at UW-Platteville. Runde responded with a 119-tackle season the next year for the 6-2-1 Pioneer team.

DEB SCHULMAN, VOLLEYBALL COACH

Deb Schulman has coached the UW-Platteville volleyball program for the last 23 years, taking the Pioneers to the NCAA DIII tournament for the sixth time in her career during the 2010 season.

Schulman has led 17 of her 23 teams to at least 20 wins and has an overall record of 556-296. Ten teams have won 25 or more matches, and five teams have achieved 30 or more victories. She is ranked 16th among active NCAA DIII coaches for career victories and 23rd all-time.


A 1984 UW-Milwaukee graduate, Schulman was inducted into that school’s hall of fame after a stellar career in volleyball, basketball, track and cross country.

PHILIP WOLF, CLASS OF 1995

Wolf was one of the most accomplished wrestlers in UW-Platteville history. He was a two-time NCAA DIII All-American, despite suffering a season-ending injury as a junior.

Wolf won the Wisconsin State University Conference 150-pound weight class in 1993 and did so in such impressive fashion that he earned the John Peterson Outstanding Wrestler of the Meet Award. He went on to earn NCAA DIII All-American honors as a sophomore.

Ranked third in the country in 1994, Wolf had his year end prematurely due to an injury. He worked hard in rehabilitation and came back to win the conference 167-pound title in 1995. Wolf capped his career with an All-American performance at the nationals.

He finished with a career mark of 93-27 wearing the Pioneer orange and blue.
1. Parade marshals
   Ed Nuhfer, Roger Higgs and Tom Hunt
2. John White
3. Marching Pioneer alumni joined the band at halftime and played for those in attendance.
4. The Robert and Mary Bodden family signs scholarship agreement.
5. Gail and Dave Olson speak with Chancellor Shields.
6. A group of Phi Sigma Epsilon members from the late 60s gather.
7. Alumni and community members enjoy coffee and donuts at the alumni tent before the Homecoming parade.
8. Aundra and Chancellor Dennis J. Shields ride in the parade.
9. Alumnae enjoy socializing at the all-college lunch.
10. Zeta Beta Chi students attended the All-Greek Reunion.

12. Bob and Myra Enloe
13. Students and alumni gather for mechanical engineering dinner.
14. The lighting of the “M” and a fireworks show reminded all of UW-Platteville’s history.

Save the date for Homecoming 2011
Oct. 15
1966

Lee Sommers, Fort Collins, Colo., currently the associate dean in the College of Agricultural Sciences and director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at Colorado State University, was recognized in November 2010 by the American Society of Agronomy and the Soil Science Society of America. Sommers received the award for his outstanding contributions to agronomy through education, national and international services and research.

Bill Phalen, Huntingtown, Md., president of the Calvert County Board of Education, was the 2010 recipient of the Charles W. Willis Award, which is given to a board member who has made outstanding contributions to school board service in Maryland.

1968

Milt Engelke, Allen, Texas, was recognized by the Crop Science Society of America and American Society of Agronomy as the recipient of the 2010 Fred V. Grau Turfgrass Science Award.

1970

Peggy (Ochsner) Dettwiler, Mansfield, Pa., was honored with the 2010 Elaine Brown Award for Choral Excellence at the American Choral Directors Association of Pennsylvania annual summer conference in State College, Pa., in August 2010. The award is presented “to an individual for outstanding lifelong work in the choral art.” Dettwiler is professor of music and director of choral activities at Mansfield University in Mansfield, Pa.

Corrections

In the 2010 UW-Platteville Foundation Annual Report, we erroneously stated that Kathy and Bill Schendt established the Blain’s Farm & Fleet scholarship. Jane Blain Gilbertson and Robert Blain established that scholarship; the Schendts were awarded the UW-Platteville Foundation 2010 Distinguished Service Award for their continued dedication and involvement with the university.

In the August issue of the Alumni Today, we stated in “Students Wowed by Famous Financier” that Berkshire-Hathaway shareholders Steve and Lynn Vale were the only party that donated tickets to UW-Platteville students to attend the annual Berkshire Hathaway Inc. meeting in Omaha, Neb. Please note that Jacob Ambrosia donated a ticket as well.

The Alumni Today apologizes for these errors.

1973

Marjean R. (Thies) Breunig (UW-Platteville B.S.: 1973, M.S.: 1981; UW-Madison M.S.: 1979 educational administration) La Crosse, Wis., retired in June after being a teacher/administrator for 33 years. Breunig taught at Platteville Middle School for 11 years then was a teacher/administrator at the middle school level in Sparta Area Schools in Sparta, Wis., for 22 years. During her career, Breunig had the opportunity to create and use many of her own teaching materials. Her lifelong passion for science carried into her classroom where it became her teaching trademark. Her son, Anton Thies Breunig, graduated with honors this May from UW-Platteville with a double major in geography and German with a minor in environmental studies. His interests are also rooted in the sciences and the German language/culture. He studied abroad in Germany for one year.

Belinda Sain-Cronin, Racine, Wis., has been appointed to the board of the Racine Art Museum Association. Her artwork is currently being handled by the Avenue Gallery and Frame Shop of Racine. One of her recent works is also on display in the front window of the gallery on Main Street in downtown Racine. Additionally, she serves as co-chair and community liaison for the UW-Platteville Taskforce on the Racial Disparity in the Education and Incarceration of People of Color. As president/CEO of Legacy Endeavors, LLC, Sain-Cronin is a passionate educational and community advocate for youth, particularly those in poverty. She recently presented information on CrossRoads Anti-Racism training at The Chiwaukee Prairie session for the data teams of the Racine Unified School District and serves on Superintendent Dr. James Shaw’s KEY Communicators Committee for Parents/Guardians. As a retired school educator/principal and small business owner, Sain-Cronin is a motivational speaker who, with several years on the WEAC-Public Relations Committee, continues to provide consultations and marketing direction to churches, nonprofits, towns and businesses. Sain-Cronin and her spouse, Jon Cronin, (class of 1975) reside in Racine.

The names of Alumni Association members are identified with orange text. Thank you to everyone who continues to support us in creating relationships that last a lifetime.
1976

Dennis Thalacker, Springfield, Va., retired July 2, after a 33-year career with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He graduated from UW-Platteville in May 1976 and began work as a marketing specialist with the Packers and Stockyards Administration in Denver, Colo., later that year. In 1985, he transferred to Kansas City, Mo., and then in 1989 to Washington, D.C. In 1995, Packers and Stockyards Administration merged with Federal Grain Inspection Service and became Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration. Thalacker was assigned to assist with the merger of information technology assets of the two agencies. Based on his experience in that endeavor, he changed career paths (though not employers) in 1998 when he was reassigned as an information technology specialist in the GIPSA Office of the Administrator. Thalacker attributes his interest in information technology to the late hours he spent re-doing punch cards for running programs on the UW-Platteville mainframe so long ago. He will be spending his retirement years traveling extensively with his wife, Lois, and attempting to grow a decent garden for those ever-so-good fresh vegetables.

1977

Loren Homb, Monroe, Wis., was recently inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame as a Friend of Basketball. Homb has been involved in the WBCA Girls All Star Games for the past 25 years, the last 20 as the chair of the event. Homb is a sixth grade teacher at the Monroe Middle School. He also referees volleyball, basketball, cross country and track at the varsity level throughout southern Wisconsin and is a member of the Green County EMS.

1981

Brian Leahy Doyle, Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y., received news recently that his book, "Encore! The Renaissance of Wisconsin Opera Houses," published by the Wisconsin Historical Society Press, was named a winner of a USA National Best Book Award in the performing arts category.

1982

Mary (Volbrecht) Twinem, Plymouth, Minn., was recently named to the 2010 Top Women in Finance list, as chosen by Minneapolis-based Finance and Commerce Inc. Twinem is the executive vice president and chief financial officer of Buffalo Wild Wings, and the award honors the outstanding efforts of women who are making notable contributions to their professions, their communities and society at-large throughout Minnesota.

1984

Diane (Bellmeyer) Ballard, Osceola, Wis., earned her doctorate with a specialization in organization and management from Capella University in July.

1992

Linda Daley, Milwaukee, Wis., was one of 15 people named Chief Financial Officer of the Year by the Milwaukee Business Journal. She is vice president and CFO of the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee. She was previously with the Milwaukee Art Museum.

1997

Joanne Rash, Verona, Wis., is co-winner of the 2010 Wisconsin Physician Assistant of the Year award by the Wisconsin Academy of Physician Assistants. She was nominated by six physicians for her outstanding work in the department of gynecologic oncology at UW Hospital and Clinics. Rash also helps raise community awareness and funds for gynecologic cancers.

1999

Ryan J. Hauber, Dickeyville, Wis., was named partner at Honkamp Krueger & Co. P.C. He oversees the firm’s marketing and business.

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1996

Todd Schmidt, Milton, Wis., accepted a new position as the administrator/economic development director for the Village of Waunakee. Schmidt had been employed by the city of Milton as the city administrator for the past seven years.

1998

Weston Glasbrenner, Boscobel, Wis., received the Life Sciences Educator and Presidential Teaching award. Glasbrenner teaches mathematics and computer science at Fennimore High School.

2000

Dan Hansen, Mount Holly, N.C., was promoted to senior manager at Accenture in March 2010. He has been at Accenture since graduating from UW-Platteville. Hansen and his family moved in 2008 to Charlotte, N.C., where he is now based and working on serving his financial services clients (Wells/Wachovia, Bank of America) with management consulting services.

Jeremy Pinnow, Brodhead, Wis., is celebrating 10 years in business this year. He operates a financial services business, Jeremy Pinnow & Associates Inc.

2003


2010

Reyhan (Filiz) Jamerson was hired as the coordinator of employment services for Columbia College’s Grossnickle Career Services Center.

Spirited alums attended Alumni Night at the Heartland Festival in their prom attire; making “A Prom to Die For,” the first sold out show, a memorable 2010 event. Pictured from left to right are (top row) Tom Scanlan, Larry Heer, Dennis Cooley, Pete Nemmetz ('00), Jay McDermott ('91), John Putnam ('72); and (bottom row) Dawn Drake ('83), Patty Heer ('93), Stephanie Cooley, Amy Nemmetz ('99), Jodi McDermott ('90) and Deb Putnam ('76).
Lost Alumni Those people listed as “Lost Alumni” either graduated from or attended what we now know as UW-Platteville. If you have an address or contact information on any of the alumni listed below, please contact Alumni Services at 1.800.897.2586 or send an e-mail to alumni@uwplatt.edu.

1993
Stacey Kraisinger • Jane Hilgendorf Reif • Donica Jansen Ramsdell • Elizabeth Aide • Diane Conway • Richard McIntyre • Maria Mateos • Jose Olives • Gemma Lopez • Luis Olivar • Jose Parias • Brenda Groghan Betz • Daniel Draves • Karla Tonkin • Hiroyuki Konishi • Jennelle Bowers Joset • Cheryl Lewitzke Woyak • Jeffrey Nabarek • David Ruiter • Tracy McGinnis Nault • Karen Sook Molle • Mitch Lavignette • Kimberly Knox • Brian Janssen • James Collins • Douglas Stelpflug • Gerard Kempen • Paul Stewart • Daryl Sewell • Robert Hermann • Robert Reinke • Jeff Meerdink • Silas Valle • Heidi Shields • Darin Verwiebe • Jerry Koch • David Peterson • Mitchell Stanek • Tracy Hellenbrand Wegenast • Daniel Ebben • Laurie Rielly Cheaito • Joseph Urbach • Robert Kleinschmidt • Brian Claire • Karl De Hart • Julianne Heywood Christensen • Carmen Rodriguez-Tabenero • Manuel Alcayde • Rocio Ferrer • Richard Kridler • Charles Schulz • Jennifer Halliday • Tonya Tesch Bock

SAVE THE DATE! CELEBRATE UW-PLATTEVILLE

Spring! The thoughts that come to mind: optimism, brightness and light, growth, reawakening. And that is exactly what spring 2011 will bring to UW-Platteville.

We’re preparing a very special celebration of UW-Platteville for late March/early April. Our showcase of the campus will kick off at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 2011, with the annual Pioneer Distinguished Lecturer. Betty DeGeneres, author of “Love, Ellen: A Mother/Daughter Journey,” will speak at this free event, open to the public, to be held in Williams Fieldhouse.

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL EVENTS OF NOTE:
• On Thursday, April 7, 2011, the dedication of the David J. and Lou Ann Markee Student Center, scheduled for 4:15 p.m. in the Pioneer Crossing of the Student Center.
• On Friday, April 8, 2011, Investiture of Chancellor Dennis J. Shields to be held on Bo Ryan Court, Williams Fieldhouse, at 2:30 p.m.

Check the campus calendar for further events that celebrate UW-Platteville and our vision for the future.
1932
Mertin W. Bennett, Dubuque, Iowa

1935
Kathryn A. (McDonald) Quinn, Platteville, Wis.

1936
Agnes M. Boll, Platteville, Wis.

1939
Grace L. (Van Matre) Coogan, Mineral Point, Wis.

1940
Claribel B. (Gough) Burke, Darlington, Wis.

1941
Elaine M. (Ellis) Brodt, Fennimore, Wis.

1944
Kathryn A. (Zenz) Bartling, Platteville, Wis.

1948
Norma Jean C. Kosharek, Lancaster, Wis.

1949
Leland S. Ford, Horicon, Wis.

1950
Wayne L. Wendorf, McFarland, Wis.

1951

1952
John C. “Jack” Martin, Cottage Grove, Wis.

1954
Carol L. (Wickler) Martens, Green Bay, Wis.

1956
Barbara R. (Storck) Thompson, Bradenton, Fla.

1957
Robert W. Ostrander, Cuba City, Wis.

1959
Claudyne Gies, Davenport, Iowa

1960
Donald J. Moriva, Fitchburg, Wis.

1961
Robert P. Schauff, Union Grove, Wis.

1964
Penelope A. Theisen, Caledonia, Ill.

1966
John N. Burns, Racine, Wis.

1968
Barbara (Broughton) Chase, Madison, Wis.

1970
James F. Dettwiler, Rhinelander, Wis.

1971
George T. Calvert, Oconto, Wis.

1972
Jack T. Reinen, Dallas, Texas

1975
Helen J. (Smith) Burditt, Verona, Wis.

1979
Larry L. Newman, Menomonee Falls, Wis.

1980
Alan W. Winn, Iowa City, Iowa

1982
Scott M. Freye, Verona, Wis.

1983
Jean S. (Sweeney) Fricke, Kenosha, Wis.

1985
Elien (Hanson) Waldhart, Waunakee, Wis.

1987
Elizabeth Fox, Rewey, Wis.

1988
Gary M. Moratz, Sun Prairie, Wis.

1991
Dennis J. Pratt, Milton, Wis.

1997
Curtis R. Post, Park Ridge, Ill.

2001
Cheryl Ann Franzen, Hazel Green, Wis.

2009
Trina L. Niffenegger, Belmont, Wis.

Faculty Emeriti

Dr. Gwendolyn Delores Coe

Lorraine M. (Swanson) Brooks, Maple Plain, Minn.

John N. Brodel, Marshfield, Wis.
If you have a birth announcement or a photo of your little Pioneer, send it to us and we’ll use it in future issues of the Alumni Today, as space permits.

Leslie (Bartelt) (’02) and Jeremy Ashauer (’00) increased their family by 2 feet. Their daughter, Tenley Ann, was born on July 13. She joins her big brother Brecken (2).

Dan (’00) Hansen and his wife are pleased to announce the birth of Aiden John Hansen on July 8, weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz. (20 inches long).

Matt (’02) and Megan (Stubrud) (’02) Stuessel are proud parents of their future Pioneer, Jacob Stuessel, who was born July 2, 2009.

Cheryl Endres (’03) and Chris Smith welcomed Trinity Noelle Smith to their family on July 30. Trinity was born at 8:26 a.m., at St. Mary’s Hospital in Madison, Wis., weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz. and was 19.5 inches long.

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Jeremy (’00) Pinnow and wife, Stephanie, welcomed Jenna Paige Pinnow on Feb. 12. Jenna joined her brother, Max, 3.

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Anup and Kelly (Johnson) (’05) Patel welcome their first child, Pierce Johnson Patel, on Aug. 4. He was 8 lbs. 9 oz. and 20.5 inches long.

Chris and Gina (Hooker) (’02) Riley welcomed their daughter, Ella Gianna Riley, on Aug. 14. Ella weighed 8 lbs. 1 oz. and was 21 inches long.
January
21-26  Florida alumni socials in Sarasota, Fort Myers, Orlando and The Villages

February
2  Alumni Lecture Series: George Krueger – Entrepreneurship: Startups and Idea Development 6-7:30 p.m.
12  RAIN: A tribute to the Beatles
26  Annual Alumni Pub Crawl stops will include WineDown on Main, Steve’s Pizza, Gangsters and Badger Bar
25-3  Arizona Alumni Socials in Scottsdale, Tucson and Mesa

March
2  Alumni Lecture Series: Dan Paulson
    Apples to Apples: The Golden Apples of Leadership
30  Speed Networking: Alumni and business leaders offer mock interviews and job searching critiques to UW-Platteville students. Those interested in participating should contact Aaron Burbach at 608.342.1217

April
6  Alumni Lecture Series: Dean Kallenbach, senior regional manager
    Wisconsin Public Radio: The changing role of public radio and the future of journalism
6  Cedar Rapids, Iowa, social
    Cedar Rapids RoughRiders hockey game
7  Dedication of the David J. and Lou Ann Markee Student Center
8  Investiture of Chancellor Dennis J. Shields
10  LAE Chapter Fund-raiser/Dinner and a show, Performing Arts Series, “The 39 Steps”

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