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An outstanding student, an inspiring coach, a dedicated educator and a gifted leader. Buck Grooters was all of these, and much more. Although he "retired" a few years ago, he doesn't appear to have slowed down much (if at all). He still works out every day, and is still leading an innovative program at VCSU that is making a direct contribution to the students and the classrooms of North Dakota. In this article, we take a look at his remarkable career with VCSU, though, as Dave Bass put it, "it is almost impossible to summarize a career like his."



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At the dedication of a sculpture depicting three children sharing a reading book, a group of more than 45 gathered to remember Carole King Jefferson, who served as a librarian at VCSU for more than 20 years. Her many contributions to VCSU's Allen Memorial Library include the Curriculum Library which, to this day, helps students, faculty, and teachers access teaching and children's library resources.



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ON THE COVER:

His relationship with VCSU spans nearly 60 years, so it is no wonder that Buck Grooters has played many roles. The cover of this issue of The Bulletin shows Buck in a few of the many roles he has played over the years. Upper left: In 1957 as a VCSU student in his senior year named a Viking Pilot. Upper right: As an athlete who set several records and contributed to spectacular victories. Lower left: The head coach of the Viking track and cross country teams in 1978-79. Lower right: Chair of the Division of Education and co-Teacher of the Year with Linda Holcomb in 1991. Center: Today, running the innovative Transition to Teaching program.

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Your gift can go a long way toward helping others. This holiday season, take a moment and consider the gifts you would like to make, then make them happen. Support our V-500 scholarship program and assist a needy student to realize their dream of a college education. Your investment will pay big dividends. Better yet, the contribution is tax deductible for this tax year if postmarked by December 31. You may wish to make a gift online at alumni.vcsu.edu.

There is no better way to give and receive than to make a gift that helps others at this time of year



Special People and a Special Campus!

Dr. Steve Shirley, President

Throughout this issue of *The Bulletin*, you will find a number of stories about recent campus happenings and events, a re-cap of the 2012 Homecoming festivities, Music and Athletic Hall of Fame updates, and a feature article on Dr. Larry "Buck" Grooters. In reading the piece on Dr. Grooters, I couldn't help but think about how significant he has been to the growth and development of VCSU during the past half-century. The countless lives he has positively impacted and all of the efforts he has made with both academics and athletics at VCSU are quite simply amazing. We are so fortunate as a University to have such special people like Dr. Grooters. He truly embodies the "VCSU Spirit," and it is a privilege to know him and consider him a friend.

In reflecting on the amazing career of Dr. Grooters and thinking about other special alumni, supporters, and friends of

VCSU, I want to share with you a few other pieces of information that are helping to further build the strong foundation at Valley City State:

For the second consecutive year VCSU has been ranked as the #1 Top Public Regional College in the Midwest by U.S. News. Being named the Top College in our category by U.S. News for 2013 makes a big statement about the academic quality and excellence found at VCSU. This is terrific news of which all VCSU alumni, faculty, staff, students, supporters, and friends can be proud!

Fall 2012 enrollment of 1,362 students at VCSU is a slight decrease of 1.6% compared to 2011, but still represents the third-largest enrollment in VCSU's 120+ year history. This Fall's freshmen class is the third-largest class of new students in the past 14 years. Overall, total headcount

enrollment at VCSU has grown by nearly 40% during the past five years. Simply put, we remain at near historic enrollment levels in 2012-13.

In August, a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held unveiling the newly renovated Cafeteria in the Student Center. These changes represent a \$425,000 complete renovation of the Cafe, including new food offerings by our dining service provider, Sodexo. The upgrades to both the physical space and the new meal offerings are welcome changes by all of the students and employees at VCSU.

Significant progress continues on the \$10.3 million expansion and renovation to Rhoades Science Center. The newly renovated and

expanded Rhoades Center will be the state-of-the-art facility in North Dakota for undergraduate science education. Our students are excited as classes will begin in the new 27,000 square-

foot expansion in January 2013, and the renovations to the existing facility are set to be completed by August 2013.

On a personal note, my father passed away in October 2012 following a 13-year battle with multiple myeloma. Dad so enjoyed his association and relationship with VCSU during the past four years. He was a regular attendee at many campus events including Homecoming activities, the annual scholarship auctions, football and basketball games, and numerous alumni events including VCSU Tuesdays and Arizona Reunions. He was so proud to be part of the VCSU Family, and truly appreciated all the VCSU friendships he established these past four years.

Please stop by anytime you are on campus, and as always... Go Vikings!♦

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The VCSU Alumni Association invites you to join alumni and friends at Scheels Arena for a FARGO FORCE HOCKEY GAME.

We have reserved the North Club Lounge for

- Friday, January 18, 2013 •
- Cost = \$20 per person (includes reserved ticket for seating in the North Club Lounge area, food and fun!) •
- Social starts at 6:30 pm •
- Game time: 7:35 pm •

Come out and join your fellow VCSU supporters to cheer on the Fargo Force.

Please RSVP to reserve your tickets – there are only a limited number available on a first come first served basis!

Call 701-845-7203 to reserve yours today!

VCSU Alumni Association Get-Togethers Spring 2013

Watch for more VCSU events coming soon on our Facebook page and at alumni.vcsu.edu.

- Jan. 16.....VCSU Social Bismarck
TBD – 5:30 – 7:30 pm
- Jan. 18.....Fargo Force Game & Social Fargo
See ad at left for ticket information
- Feb. 12.....VCSU Tuesday.....Jamestown
IDK Bar & Grill – 5:30 – 7:30 pm
- Mar. 19.....VCSU Tuesday.....Oakes
Season's Bar & Grill – 4:00 – 6:00 pm
- Apr. 19.....VCSU Scholarship Auction.....Valley City
5 pm Social, 6 pm buffet dinner, 7 pm live auction
- Apr. 23.....VCSU Tuesday.....Fargo
Green Mill – 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Reconnect with fellow alumni & friends!

RSVP is requested. Please contact Kim Hesch at 800-532-8641 ext 37403 or kim.hesch@vcsu.edu

In Memoriam

A Gift in Memory of The Ones You Love

Become a member of our Legacy Society today by making a gift in memory of a special loved one in your life.

All of us have had special people in our lives who made a lasting impact on who we are as individuals. Perhaps it is time to make a gift in memory of that special person in your life. You can do so by becoming a member of our Legacy Society and directing a gift in your will and/or estate plan in memory of that special person. Your bequest may be made in the following ways:

- (1) Make a gift of any cash amount;
 - (2) Give a specific asset from your estate;
 - (3) Make a gift of a percentage of your estate; and
 - (4) Give from the residuum of your estate.
- All of these methods are ways in which you can honor someone and create a lasting memory. Please contact us for more information on memorial giving at vcsu.edu.



Homecoming 2012, A look back...

by D.C. Lucas '96, Alumni Board President

Another VCSU Homecoming has passed. It was great to see familiar faces, share stories and see how the families of classmates have grown. At the Alumni Breakfast, it was special to hear how VCSU has continued to have an impact on its graduates as well as continued support to the community. As an alumnus, it was great to witness the range of graduates that have excelled professionally and personally.

I started thinking that I've never attended one of my high school Homecomings; the miles have made it difficult. I am fortunate to live in a social media world that has provided me with a technological avenue

to connect with classmates should I choose to do so. I've realized that my high school years were primarily foundational both socially and educationally with little relevance to my career and intellectual growth when compared to my years at VCSU. Perhaps this awareness has prompted my renewed involvement with VCSU as being a member of the Alumni Association as we consider another Homecoming next fall.

Seldom (if ever) do people inquire as to which high school I attended. Yet when I proudly acknowl-

edge that I am a VCSU alumnus, the recognition of our school as the number one among the top public regional colleges in the Midwest provides me with a sense of accomplishment and purpose that I willingly share. VCSU most certainly has high academic standards and has been judged accordingly as a highly rated regional university.

As a collective body of alumni, we have the opportunity to demonstrate the successes of VCSU through our continued involvement in both our career and university communities. There are various ways to contribute and help main-

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tain the success at VCSU. I challenge our alumni to continue to give back and stay involved in building on the current momentum the University has seen.

Our 2012 Homecoming focused on what VCSU means to our community, region and most importantly, our graduates. Join me in sharing our successes and continuing our support through being an active alumnus. VCSU continues to excel educationally, and we all benefit as graduates of this University. ♦



Become a Fan of VCSU!

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Are you on Facebook? If so, you'll no doubt want to become a fan of Valley City State University! VCSU has several pages and groups dedicated to different organizations within the University including the **Alumni Association**, several athletic teams, the Music department, and the Medicine Wheel. Each of these pages feature headlines, photos and other ways to stay in touch. You can find them by visiting www.vcsu.edu and clicking on the Facebook logo - this takes you to a list of all the public groups and pages that are maintained by VCSU faculty and staff or you can go directly to our alumni page at www.facebook.com/vcsualumni. Join us!

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Tis the Season of Giving

by Larry Robinson '71, Executive Director of University Advancement

Where did our summer and fall go? It is hard to believe that the holiday season is once again upon us. The joy and excitement of the season is best seen in the eyes of children as their excitement builds as we approach Christmas Day! My wife and I have two lovely grandchildren Alex age 9 and Max age 3. They have consumed our lives and we would not want it any other way. They are anxiously looking forward to the holidays and the joy of this special season. It is clearly a season of thanksgiving. We have much to be thankful for as we wrap up another calendar year.

Here on the campus, we are also celebrating. Thanks to all of you, we have enjoyed a very successful 2012. Support for our University continues to be very strong. We are blessed with a long list of volunteers who

continually step to the plate to assist us with a host of projects and events. Those folks include our Foundation Board of Directors, the Alumni Association Board of Directors, our V-500 Scholarship Program Board of Directors and the Century Club Board. There are also a number of "Friends" groups who provide additional support on campus such as Friends of the Library, Music, Business, CIS, Medicine Wheel,

and Planetarium. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed.

We must also express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many donors who year after year support our University financially. We will soon be publishing our annual "Donor Edition." You may view this special publication on alumni.vcsu.edu. We simply could not realize the success we have experienced without this important financial support. Scholarship support for the current academic year reached an all-time high of \$757,000. Those dollars contributed to the strong enrollment

VCSU has experienced the last number of years. We thank you for that support.

As we approach the end of another calendar year. We encourage you to consider making a "Year End Gift" to our V-500 scholarship program. You

will be "Making a Difference" in the lives of our students here on the campus. Your gift will also be tax deductible for 2012 if it is postmarked by December 31. Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." Clearly powerful words to reflect on during this season of giving.

Until next time, Happy Holidays to you and yours. Safe travels. ♦

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- V-500 Scholarships are merit-based and awarded at \$1,500, \$2,500 and \$5,000 levels
- Pledge at any of these levels and sponsor a student receiving the scholarship
- Connect your gift to a special VCSU student and make a difference in their life
- Meet the student at our Banquet (December 8), with complimentary tickets
- Contact the Foundation Office at 701-845-7203 for more information

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WARM ARIZONA

January 31 and February 1 & 2, 2013

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013 – MESA, AZ

Alumni from the 80's, 90's and 2000's! Special event just for you!

No-host burgers, baskets and beverages @ 6:00 pm

R.T. O'Sullivan's ♦ 6646 Superstition Springs ♦ Mesa, AZ

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2013 - SURPRISE, AZ

No-Host Luncheon @ 11:30 am

Lou's Tivoli Garden ♦ 12535 W Bell Rd ♦ Surprise, AZ

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2013 – MESA, AZ

Golf and Luncheon

Arizona Golf Resort Hotel & Conference Center ♦ 425 S Power Road

Alumni & Friends Golf Scramble

8:30 am Registration

9:00 am Tee-off

Alumni Social & Luncheon

11:00 am – Reunion Social

12 noon – Luncheon

Bring a friend! These events are not restricted to VCSU Alumni. For more information or to be added to the Arizona mailing list, please call the VCSU Foundation office at 701-845-7203!





Dr. Larry Grooters

A MONUMENTAL VIKING

"As I reflect on past years at VCSU, it is the people I have had the opportunity to work with that have made my long stay so gratifying."

Buck Grooters

"It is almost impossible to summarize a career like his; there is just way too much to it," said Dave Bass, assistant professor in VCSU's School of Education and Graduate Studies. Of course, he has known Dr. Grooters for 40 years, and their relationship has spanned several dimensions as well: colleagues in the classroom, mentor, student, coach, and more.

This is true for many people who have had the privilege of knowing Buck Grooters. He has had such an impact on so many people for so long that just about anyone you ask will have volumes to say about him.

His relationship with Valley City State began as a student in the Fall of 1953. He was recruited by Bill Osmon, who at the time served as athletic director, track coach, and basketball coach. "I was a very typical student attending VCSU coming from mid-sized schools in North Dakota," said Buck. "I never considered myself better than anyone else but always fortunate to be part of a bigger family."

Nonetheless, he made quite an impact on the track, on the court, and in the classroom.

In Track, he was a four-year letter winner and the conference champion in the 100 and 220 yard dash. He set the conference record in the 100 yard dash in 1956 and was the anchor of the Mile Relay team which also set conference records and went undefeated against much larger schools like UND and NDSU (other members of that relay team included Ed Kringstad '60, Richie Byrne, and Chuck Solberg '59). He was

also a guard and three year-letter winner on the Viking basketball team which took the conference championship his senior year. His athletic accomplishments earned him the title of Outstanding Viking Athlete in 1957, and he was inducted into the Viking Hall of Fame in 1995. Other highlights of his VCSU student career included being active in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, being named Homecoming King and being named a Viking Pilot.

And of course, his college years netted another life shaping event: he met Hazel Ussatis, who would soon become his wife. After getting married, they taught in public schools in Casselton and Dickinson for a total of six years during which time Buck completed his M.A. in Physical Education by taking summer classes from the University of Northern Colorado. They returned to Valley City in 1963 when a position for an instructor in Physical Education opened under Bill Osmon.

But like many roles at VCSU, this job didn't end in the classroom. In addition to teaching a full load in Physical Education, his new job encompassed several other roles including coach for the men's and women's track and cross-country teams, assistant coach for the men's basketball team, intramural director, and athletic trainer for the football team.

"One of the things I am most proud of is the privilege I had to coach some great teachers, coaches, and athletes," he said. "You work with them for four years, and then watch them go on

to their own careers in coaching. As a coach, you become very close to them. Association is one of the things that draws people into coaching."

A highlight of his coaching career was the incredible "Year of the Vikings" (1980-81) which featured no fewer than nine championship teams. Led by athletic director Bill Osmon and a legendary coaching staff that included Jim Dew (football, baseball), Linda Roberts (women's basketball, softball), Darrell Anderson (men's basketball, tennis), Don Lemnus (assistant football and wrestling), Ann Koller (volleyball) and of course, Buck Grooters (men's and women's track, cross country).

He also served as a referee for high school basketball, and in 1990, he was inducted into the North Dakota Officials Association Hall of Fame. To this day, that remains an exclusive group with only 119 members having been inducted throughout the organization's history.

Somehow in all this, Buck earned his Ed.D. in Higher Education and Teacher Education from the University of North Dakota, completing it in 1971. In 1980, he moved from the Division of Health and Physical Education into the teacher education program, and two years later, he was named chair of the Division of Education.

That kicked-off another 25 years of activity that had an even more dramatic impact on VCSU and its future. Teacher preparation standards were becoming progressively more demanding, which placed increasing demands



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"He is a phenomenal teacher and role model. I can't imagine how many lives he has touched. As an educator, as the leader of the Division of Education, as a coach, as a mentor, and as a friend, his impact has been so huge for the University."

Dave Bass '77, assistant professor, coach, and Alumni Service Award winner 2012



"Buck anchored our Mile Relay team, and we went undefeated in 1957 and took the conference championship against some very impressive teams. I was the third runner, and I always got the baton to him ahead of the other teams, but he told me he was always terrified we wouldn't win. It turns out he wasn't worried about getting beat by another runner, he was worried he would drop the baton!"

Chuck Solberg '59, Viking Hall of Fame Class of 2000

"At a pivotal time, Buck Grooters was key to establishing a new direction. His leadership was one of the most significant things to happen in the long history of the University."

Dr. Charles House, president emeritus

"Buck has more character and integrity than anyone I've ever known, and he always brought that to the athletes he coached. I can't put it into words... one sign of the impact he has had: he is the first person that many alumni look up when they come back to campus."

Bob King '55, Viking Hall of Fame Class of 1991

on the students, faculty, and staff of the Division.

Dorothy Langemo, a member of the Division of Education prior to Dr. Grooter's tenure, was one of his early mentors in the teacher education program. She always emphasized the importance of continued accreditation and not letting the institution, students, and past graduates down. "That program was her life, and when she retired and I took over, she put the fear of God into me," said Buck. "She motivated all of us to work hard to prepare for those visits and ensure our continued success."

He didn't disappoint her. During the years that Buck led the Division, VCSU experienced four National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) visits and each one further established VCSU's national reputation for excellence in teacher education.

For example, the NCATE review of 1990 proved to be a special challenge as well as a pivotal moment for both the University and Dr. Grooters. Just a year earlier, NCATE had substantially increased the requirements for accreditation, including reducing the maximum load for all teacher education faculty from 16 credits per semester to 12. In response, an ad-hoc committee, chaired by Dr. Grooters, met to define strategies for addressing this situation.

Going far beyond their original charter, the committee came up with a plan to establish the Center for Innovation in Instruction, a resource that would serve the entire state as

an educational, informational, and support center for the use of emerging technologies in education. The Center also served as a springboard for several of the University's most defining characteristics including becoming a national leader in educational technology, the approval of the Laptop Initiative, and the initial steps towards development of the online Master of Education degree. For this innovative project, VCSU received the 1996 CAUSE Award for Best Practices in Professional Development.

The next NCATE visit in 1997 resulted in more national recognition. As a result of this visit, the University was selected to be a case illustration in a report by an NCATE Task Force on Technology and Teacher Education that would drive change in NCATE's accreditation standards and raise the bar for the use of technology in schools of education. Arthur Wise, NCATE president at the time, said of VCSU's program, "Your selection makes clear that you are at the cutting edge of teacher preparation and practice. Your inclusion in our report should extend your influence and help change the norms of practice."

Then in 2002, the VCSU teacher education program became one of the first institutions to receive the Distinguished Achievement Award from the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE), a leading organization in the use of technology in education.

Of course, Buck doesn't claim sole responsibility for these accomplishments. "It

was the people I worked with that made these years successful," he said.

But others do view his leadership as having played a pivotal role. Dr. Charles House, president of the University from 1982 until 1993, said, "At a pivotal time, Buck Grooters

Grooters, continued on page 6...

{THE GROOTERS FAMILY TREE}

Deep roots at VCSU

Mother Leone (Platz) Grooters '50
(Standard Degree)

Three sisters and several cousins including Viking Hall of Famer **Ann Grooters '92**

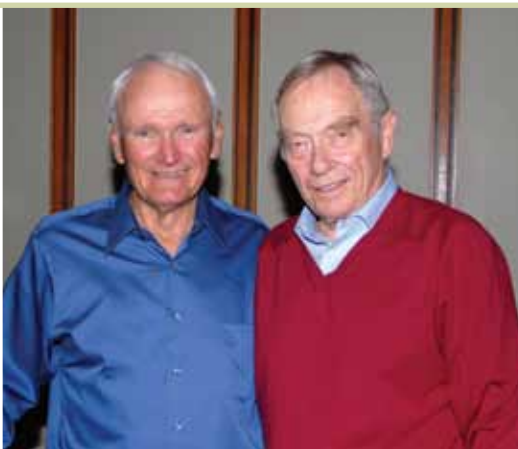
Wife Hazel (Ussatis) '71

Son **Dr. Greg '82** and wife **Robin (attended 1978-79)**. Greg was recently named the principal of Sheyenne High School in West Fargo. Robin and Greg have two daughters.

Daughter **Karla (Grooters) Callies '86**. Fargo South Chemistry teacher. She and her husband Torrey have two sons

Daughter **Kristi (Grooters) '00** and her husband **Chris Stuber '99**. Kristi is a Physical Science and Chemistry teacher at Fargo Davies. She and Chris have two daughters.

Daughter **Kim (Grooters) Lipetzky (attended 1976-79)**. Kim is a Dietitian at Fargo Cass Public Health. She and her husband, **Roger '79**, have two daughters.



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was key to establishing a new direction. His leadership was one of the most significant things to happen in the long history of the University."

In recognition of these accomplishments and many more, Buck was selected in 2002 to receive the Distinguished Alumni award, the highest honor the Alumni Association has to offer.

Buck "retired" in 2005, just as VCSU was completing final preparations for offering Masters level courses for the first time in the University's history. But just because he retired, that doesn't mean he stopped working. Instead, he just took on other roles.

First, he spent a year as principal at Tuttle High School. Then, he returned to VCSU and became director of the "Transition to Teaching" program which helps adults who have spent their careers in areas other than teaching start a new career in teaching. "These people have a lifetime of knowledge that can be tremendously valuable to students, but they don't have any idea how to run a classroom," said Buck. "This program is a route for them to become fully qualified and licensed in both academic and technical fields."

Are there even more roles he may take on in the future? "I don't know," he said, "but I don't have any plans to quit. I'm having too much fun here."

With all of the roles he has played at VCSU and all of the lives he has touched, it is no wonder that different people have come to address him in different ways. Coach. Larry. Dr. Grooters. Dad. Grandpa. And of course, Buck (and Grandpa Buck).

"Buck"? "I got that nickname when I was learning to talk as a child," he explained. "When people asked me my name, I had a hard time pronouncing 'Larry,' so I just told them 'Buck' which I got from Buck Rogers, the comic strip space hero. It just stuck."

In many ways, it seems appropriate. ♦

VCSU Scholarship Dinner

This year's annual scholarship dinner was held on Tuesday, October 9 with over 50 in attendance. The annual scholarship donor dinner is an opportunity for individuals and organizations that have established named scholarships to meet the students who were awarded the scholarships. This time also gives the students a chance to say "thank you" in person to the donors.

Anyone interested in establishing a scholarship can contact the Office of Advancement at 800-532-8641 ext 37203 for more information. ♦



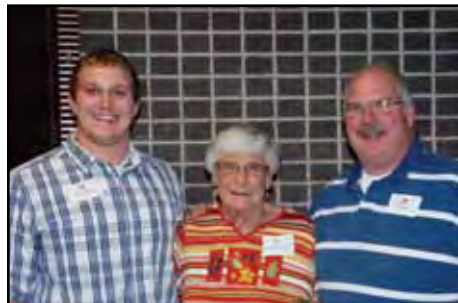
Stephany Wegenast and Nancy Sours (Aaron Sours Memorial Scholarship)



Katie Paulson and Beve & Dave Melgaard (Dave Melgaard Scholarship)



Tyler Kosel with Deanne (Roseth) '60 and Bob '59 Horne (Charlotte Graichen Memorial Scholarship)



Charles Wellman with Dorothy Olson and David Olson '79 (Vince Olson Memorial Scholarship)



Joe Popp with Hulda Pearce (Harry O. Pearce Memorial Scholarship)

Carole King Jefferson honored at Allen Memorial Library



Lillian (Langemo) Jacobson '40, former Library Director, addressing the group

On April 27, 2012, family, friends, and current and former Valley City State University staff gathered to dedicate a sculpture in memory and appreciation of the late Carole King Jefferson of Litchville. The large plaster cast depicting three children enjoying a storybook is located in the south entrance of the Library on the campus of VCSU.

At the dedication, Lillian (Langemo) Jacobson '40, former director of the Allen Memorial Library, shared memories of Carole's life and career at VCSU. During the more than 20 years that Carole was a library staff member, her greatest joy was the development of the Curriculum Library. Through this collection, Carole was able to help university students, faculty and area teachers gain access to teaching and children's library resources.

Several VCSU "Friends of the Library" members including Pat (Gately) Beil '64, Noreen (Stevens) Smestad '81 and the current library director, Donna James, organized the dedication event which was attended by nearly 50 people. ♦

Wald named NDACTE New Educator of the Year VCSU presence felt at annual Professional Development Conference



Diane Karlsbraaten (left), North Dakota Business & Office Educators Association (NDBOEA) past president and Business and Office instructor at Lake Region State College, presented Megan (Nodland) Wald '07 (right) with the NDACTE New Educator of the Year award.

VCSU alum Megan (Nodland) Wald '07 was named the New Educator of the Year at the 42nd annual Professional Development Conference of the North Dakota Association for Career and Technical Education (NDACTE). Megan is a business education instructor and FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) advisor at Linton High School.

Her recognition in the conference program states, "As a dedicated and skilled business teacher, Megan demonstrates excellent classroom management skills and a good rapport with her students. She has given the business education program new focus. The FBLA chapter is involved in local, state, and national activities with several FBLA students qualifying for national competition in San Antonio. Megan chaired one of the planning committees for the recent MPBEA conference."

While at VCSU, Megan was also an office assistant for Professor Dave Melgaard, who was VCSU's Career and Technical Education Coordinator and was named the Outstanding Career & Technical Educator at the NDACTE Annual Professional Development Conference in 2010.

At the same conference, alum Paul Keidel '87 led the LEGO Robotics Symposium, which featured robotics experts from North Dakota and across the country. Paul is the STEM

Coordinator for the Bismarck Public Schools, provides professional development for STEM subject areas, and is responsible for integrating STEM initiatives into the curriculum.

In addition, the Northern Information Technology Consortium, of which VCSU is a member, received the Director's Award of Excellence. The award is an acknowledgement of superior career and technical education programs in North Dakota. The program was recognized for offering IT students courses not available on their home campus, distance delivery lectures that are supplemented with local labs and software simulations, and for increasing enrollment and completion in IT programs.

The NITC is a collaboration among colleges and universities pertaining to the delivery of courses and degree programs in Information Technology. Other members of the NITC include Dakota College at Bottineau, Lake Region State College, Turtle Mountain Community College, and Williston State College. ♦

Darin King named Director of North Dakota Educational Technology Council

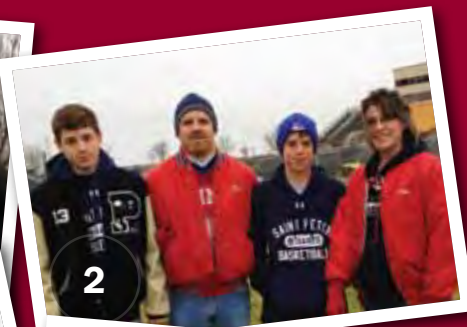


Darin King '86 was recently hired as director of the North Dakota Educational Technology Council (ND ETC), a state board that serves elementary and secondary education by developing technology systems and coordinating their use to enhance and support educational opportunities for students and teachers.

"I am excited to continue and advance the excellent work of the ND ETC to support the educational technology needs of students, teachers and administrators in North Dakota Schools," said Darin. "As a life-long North Dakota resident and a career educator, I am honored to serve in this role."

Before coming to ND ETC, Darin worked for Grand Forks Public Schools for more than 15 years, first as a high school mathematics teacher, computer science teacher, and a coach, and most recently as technology director.

Darin is married to Deb (Axtman) King '85, who is currently the program director of the Radiological Technology program at Northland College in East Grand Forks, MN. They have two children: Sam (20), a junior at Bemidji State University, and McKenna (17), a senior at Red River High School. ♦



Alumni Tailgating Event

Approximately 80 VCSU alumni, parents and friends gathered for pre-game tailgating at Gustavus Adolphus College (St. Peter, MN) on October 13, 2012. The Viking football team played a great game, beating the Gusties 16-0. Thank you to everyone who attended – it was a great day reconnecting with old friends! ♦

1. Andrew Warcken '99, Terry Robinson '90, and Jeff Hooey '82.
2. Pat '91 and Tami (Haussler) '92 Klubben with their sons.
3. Barb (Preston) '90 and Dean '92 Schmitt with daughter DeAnn.
4. Davy '80 and Sheila (Lindeman) '80 Zinke with their son VCSU Quarterback Thomas Zinke.

President's House gets a boost

Donations by Wally Stangler '63 seed vital projects

A routine visit by an alum to the President's House Guest Inn recently turned into something far greater. "We stayed here for a wedding last year, and really fell in love with the place," said Wally Stangler '63. During that visit, he learned about all the hard work by the volunteers of the President's House Preservation Society as well as their need for contributions to fund renovation and preservation projects. That visit prompted him to make a \$5,000 contribution right on the spot, and he promised to return the next year.

Sure enough, this year, Wally reserved the entire facility for a family get-together, eight guests in all, all the way to grandchildren. It also prompted another generous donation, this time for \$2,000.

The Preservation Society is co-chaired by Jan Stowman and Becky Heise. Stowman said, "We were absolutely elated! Although most of the hands-on work is done by volunteers, donations pay for all the materials and any work we can't do ourselves. The house is beautiful, and we've come a long way, but we still have several major projects we'd like to work on but need funding."

These projects all relate to access and convenience for guests. "We'd like to add a bathroom on the first floor because there isn't one now," said Stowman, "and while we are at it, we could make it (the bathroom) ADA accessible. In fact, we'd love to improve access throughout the facility. For example, it would be wonderful to replace the rear entrance. There is a lot we could do, and donations make it all possible."

The house, which is located on the VCSU campus at the southwest corner of McFarland Hall, was originally built in 1901 and served as the official residence of the VCSU president from 1921-1993.

It now serves as a guest inn and is available for special events, family reunions, or even just weekend get-aways. Guests can rent individual bedrooms for overnight stays, the downstairs for events, or the entire facility. Catering is also



Wally Stangler '63 made a second generous contribution in as many years to the President's House Preservation Society, the members of which have donated countless hours for maintenance, restoration, and preservation.

available. For more information, visit: www.presidentshouse.com or call 800-532-8641.

**Contributions can be addressed to:
VCSU Foundation, 101 College St. SW,
Valley City, ND 58072. ♦**



- ◀ **VCSU Ranked #1 for 2013**
#1 Public Regional College in the Midwest for the 2nd consecutive year!
- ◀ **15th year of recognition by U.S. News & World Report**

For the second year in a row, Valley City State University earned the #1 spot among the Top Public Regional Colleges in the Midwest in the 2013 edition of America's Best Colleges by U.S. News Media Group. This marks the 15th year in a row that VCSU has been recognized by U.S. News.

Dr. Steven Shirley, VCSU president, said, "Being recognized as the #1 public college in the Midwest region by U.S. News for two straight years, and being recognized as a 'Best College' for 15 consecutive years, is strong evidence of the exceptional academic quality at VCSU. The variety of criteria used by U.S. News to compile their rankings encompasses an important range of academic benchmarks, and VCSU could not have earned this number one ranking two straight years were it not for our commitment to academic excellence. Faculty, staff, students, alumni, and members of the VCSU community can all be very proud of this tremendous accomplishment."

The U.S. News college rankings group accredited institutions in the United States based on their mission and, for some categories, by location. The institutions are then compared based on a set of up to 16 areas related to academic excellence. Criteria in which VCSU fared well include graduation rate, average class size, peer assessment, student-faculty ratio, and alumni giving. The category 'Regional Colleges in the Midwest' includes 99 colleges and universities, 14 of which are public, across 12 states.

The rankings are available at www.usnews.com/colleges, and were published in the September issue of the U.S. News & World Report magazine. ♦

Sodexo remodels cafeteria

As part of an agreement to extend its contract with VCSU, Sodexo recently completed a \$425,000 renovation and expansion in the level of service of the cafeteria located in the Student Center. Sodexo has been VCSU's food service provider for the past 34 years.

In addition to a floor-to-ceiling remodeling, the project converted the facility to enable an enhanced level of service referred to as "platform dining." This design features multiple specialized food stations – for example, the VCSU cafeteria has stations for entrées, a grill, a full deli, international foods, soup & salad, pizza, and desserts/beverages. ♦



Representatives of Sodexo, Inc. and VCSU held a ribbon cutting ceremony in August to celebrate the grand opening of the remodeled cafeteria. L-R: David Bateman, Sodexo District Manager, Doug Britt, Sodexo General Manager at VCSU, and Dr. Steve Shirley, VCSU president.



First annual VCSU Rendezvous sells out

The River Rats Dueling Pianos played to a sold out crowd at the Valley City Eagles Club during the first annual VCSU Rendezvous. Sponsored by Bank Forward, Insure Forward and Invest Forward, the event raised funds for the V-500 scholarship program. Larry Robinson, executive director of University Advancement for VCSU, said, "I couldn't have been more pleased with the crowd... the River Rats put on a great show and it looked like everyone was having a great time. And with all proceeds going to VCSU scholarships, it certainly was for a great cause!" ♦

Slight decrease leaves enrollment third largest in history

Final enrollment for Fall 2012 showed a slight dip from historic highs, leaving VCSU with the third largest headcount in its history.

Total headcount for Fall semester 2012 is 1,362 students. Dr. Steve Shirley, VCSU president, said, "The all-time record enrollment we experienced last year represented growth of more than 40% over the previous four years, and this slight decrease leaves our enrollment less than 2% away from record levels. Moreover, we remain focused on offering our students an outstanding academic experience and are gratified by the national recognition we are receiving such as U.S. News naming VCSU as the #1 public regional college in the Midwest for the second year in a row."

Over the last five years, enrollment at VCSU has grown by 38.7%. This year, the University enrolled 190 new freshmen (the third largest freshmen class in 14 years) and 104 transfer students for a total of 294 new students, 11.8% higher than the previous ten-year average. ♦

Progress on Science Center Continues

As planned, the Rhoades Science Center has been the setting for both construction and classes this Fall semester: classes are being held in the original building while construction focuses on the new addition. The plan for Spring semester is for this to be reversed: classes will move into the new addition while construction moves to renovation of the original building. Look for the project to wrap-up in August, 2013. ♦



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WOMEN'S & MEN'S BASKETBALL

DATE	W/M	OPPONENT	TIME
Nov. 17	W/M	vs Dickinson State University	2:00/4:00 pm
Nov. 23	W/M	@ Rocky Mountain College, Dickinson, ND	1:00/3:00 pm (MST)
Nov. 24	W/M	@ Dickinson State, Dickinson, ND	5:00/7:00 pm (MST)
Nov. 27	W	@ University of Mary (Exhibition), Bismarck, ND	7:00 pm
Nov. 27	M	@MN State-Moorhead, Moorhead, MN	7:00 pm
Dec. 4	W/M	@ UM-Morris, Morris, MN	5:30/7:30 pm
Dec. 6	W/M	vs Presentation College	5:30/7:30 pm
Dec. 7	W/M	vs Trinity Bible College	5:30/7:30 pm
Dec. 16	W/M	@ Northern New Mexico College, Española, NM	5:00/7:00 pm
Dec. 18	W/M	@ Johnson & Wales University, Denver, CO	5:00/7:00 pm
Dec. 29	W	@ Ave Maria Tourney, Naples, FL	1:00 pm (EST)
Dec. 30	W	@ Ave Maria Tourney, Naples, FL	3:00 pm (EST)
Dec. 29	M	@ Whittier College Tournament, Whittier, CA	TBA
Dec. 30	M	@ Whittier College Tournament, Whittier, CA	TBA
Jan. 4	W/M	vs UM-Morris	5:30/7:30 pm
Jan. 6	M	@ Oglala Lakota College, Kyle, SD	4:00 pm (MST)
Jan. 7	W/M	@ South Dakota School of Mines, Rapid City, SD	7:30 pm
Jan. 11	W/M	vs Northern New Mexico College	5:30/7:30 pm
Jan. 12	W/M	vs Johnson & Wales University	2:00/4:00 pm
Jan. 13	W	vs Northern New Mexico	2:00 pm (MST)
Jan. 15	W	@ Presentation College, Aberdeen, SD	7:00 pm
Jan. 19	W/M	@ Tournament at Jamestown Civic Center	TBA
Jan. 20	W/M	@ Tournament at Jamestown Civic Center	TBA
Jan. 24	W/M	@ Dakota State University, Madison, SD	5:30/7:30 pm
Jan. 26	M	vs Oglala Lakota College	4:00 pm
Jan. 30	W/M	vs Jamestown College	5:30/7:30 pm
Feb. 2	W/M	@ Mayville State University, Mayville, ND	2:00/4:00 pm
Feb. 6	W/M	@ Jamestown College, Jamestown, ND	5:30/7:30 pm
Feb. 9	W/M	vs South Dakota School of Mines	2:00/4:00 pm
Feb. 13	W/M	vs Mayville State University	5:30/7:30 pm
Feb. 16	W/M	vs Dakota State University	2:00/4:00 pm
Feb. 21-23	W/M	All Tournament, Jamestown, ND	TBA
Mar. 6-12	W/M	NAIA National Tournament, TBA	TBA

MEN'S & WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

INDOOR

DATE	EVENT - LOCATION	TIME
Jan. 10	Bemidji State University - Bemidji, MN	TBA
Jan. 25	Concordia College - Moorhead, MN	TBA
Feb. 2	Bethel Inv - St Paul, MN	TBA
Feb. 9	NDSU - Fargo, ND	TBA
Feb. 14	Bemidji State University - Bemidji, MN	TBA
Feb. 28/Mar. 1-2	NAIA Championships - TBA	TBA

OUTDOOR

DATE	EVENT - LOCATION	TIME
Apr. 5	Northern State Invitational - Aberdeen, SD	TBA
Apr. 12-13	Bison Classic - Fargo, ND	TBA
Apr. 19	Dickinson State Invitational - Dickinson, ND	TBA
Apr. 23	Cobber Twilight - Moorhead, MN	TBA
Apr. 27	Al Cassell Relays - Jamestown, ND	TBA
May 4	Ron Masanz Invitational - Moorhead, MN	TBA
May 10	Viking Twilight last Chance Meet	TBA
May 23-25	NAIA Outdoor Championships - Marion, IN	TBA

Viking basketball teams in Coaches' Pre-Season Polls:

MEN: #24
WOMEN: #26



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Ranked for four weeks, Viking football team goes 7-3



This season marked Head Coach Dennis McCulloch's 16th year at the helm of the Vikings football program and his 19th on the coaching staff at VCSU. McCulloch became the 22nd head football coach in Valley City State history in December of 1996 since that time he has amassed a 92-70 record, making him second in most wins as the coach in program history. The Vikings finished this season with a 7-3 record. Overall the Vikings had 14 team and 16 individual statistics ranked in the top 25 in the Nation including Derek Elliot (JR, RB, Valley City, ND) who ranks ninth in scoring and Aaron Freije (SR, DL, West Fargo, ND) who is 12th in sacks. The defense was led by senior defensive tackle Freije and had an outstanding season posting two shutouts while helping the team to another successful campaign. The front four defensively, Freije, Dwayne Fearon (JR, DL, Fairbanks, AK), Matt Craft (JR, DL, Fairbanks, AK), Garrett Jackson (SR, DL, Fairbanks, AK), were a force to be reckoned with all season long gathering 33 tackles for loss on the season. The kickoff return team ran two kicks back to the opponents' endzone for touchdowns. Offensively the Vikings were led by senior quarterback Tommy Zinke (SR, QB, Rolla, ND) who passed for 1548 yards and 14 touchdowns and senior tight end Ken Eliacin (SR, TE, Miami, FL) who led the team with 41 receptions. In the run game the carries were split by the stable of running backs, Derek Elliot and Taylor Cino (FR, RB, St. Augustine, FL), VCSU amassed 1844 yards on the ground and averaged 4.6 yards per carry.

The Vikings were solid in conference play, ending up 4-1 in the Association of Independent Institutions and were ranked for four weeks in the Top 25 NAIA Coaches Poll. Against rivals Jamestown College and Mayville State the squad went 3-1 overall.

The Vikings ended the season with a spectacular 21-20 come from behind victory over 22nd Ranked Robert Morris on November 3rd. ♦

2012 Volleyball Season Recap

At the start of the season last August, Head Coach Susan Kolbow, entering her third season, welcomed back six returning athletes; senior Jill Noeske (Valley City, ND), juniors Aurissa Martens (Manitou, MB) and Anna Neufeld (Steinbach, MB), and sophomores Kaitlyn Heuring (Winnipeg, MB), Alley Theroux (Cold Lake, AB), and Jennifer Wettstein (Lidgerwood, ND). Kolbow also welcomed eight freshmen; Makenna Castor (Northglenn, CO), Barbara Ector (Elbow, SK), Rachel Hummel (West Fargo, ND), Madison Johnston (Rocanville, SK), Kelsey Labodi (Calgary, AB), Stephanie Miller (Esko, MN), Jacey Otterson (Kindred, ND), and Emily Plowman (Simi Valley, CA), and one transfer student Gianesi Tarafa (Winnemucca, NV).

Another new face this season was Assistant Coach Sean Manzi, who joined the Vikings from New Mexico Highlands University where he served as the assistant coach and defensive coordinator. Manzi's fresh outlook, high energy and knowledge of the game have been a great addition to the program.

The Vikings opened up the season at home as they hosted a triangular with Jamestown College and Waldorf College (IA). The home opener was against Waldorf College which the Vikings fell short, losing in four sets. "All of the new faces and nerves of the first competition got the best of us. However, we are looking forward to matching up against the Warriors again at the end of the season," added Kolbow.

The Vikings found their first victory of the year in an intense five set match against Dakota Wesleyan University, then went on to defeat Trinity Bible College, Briercrest College (SK, Canada), Bismarck State College, and All competition Dakota State University and Mayville State University. On Homecoming weekend, the Vikings battled Dakota Wesleyan in a very

close four set match, ultimately winning 25-21, 23-25, 25-23, 25-22.

As the season wound down, the Lady Vikings made a big push, gained momentum, finished the regular season with a record of 15-20, and qualified for the All Conference Tournament, scheduled for November 9-10 on the campus of Mayville State University. The tournament consists of the top six teams in the All; 1. Cal State San Marcos (21-12), 2. Jamestown College (23-6), 3. Ashford University (Iowa) (21-16), 4. La Sierra (Calif.) (20-11), 5. Mayville State University (23-13), 6. Valley City State University (15-20). The Vikings will face off against Ashford University and Jamestown College to start out the tournament. ♦



Cross Country season marked by personal bests

VCSU opened up the cross country season at home as the Vikings raced at the Valley City Town and Country Club hosting both a college and high school meet. The men took second place to Concordia, led by Jose Garcia and Richard Wright. For the women, Anna Fuka finished with an impressive fourth place.

September's events led off with the Saint John's Invitational in Collegeville, MN. The men, with a five mile course, finished with a disappointing fifth place of five teams. Anna Fuka led the women with a 20th place finish. Summer Romine, competing in only her second cross country race in her career, finished in 52nd place.

Next, the Vikings traveled north to compete at Minot State University's Wiley Wilson Memorial meet at Wild Wood Golf Course in Burlington, ND. The Viking men beat longtime rivals Jamestown College and Minot State University – the first time the men's team has beaten these two schools since the program was reinstated three years ago. Wright led the men this time, backed-up by Garcia and freshman Malik Jackson, who posted his first 8 km time under 29 minutes. Fuka once again led the women finishing 13th followed by Romine and Krista Briss in 21st and 24th respectively.

Up next was one of the largest cross country meets in the nation: the Roy Griak Invitational meet hosted by the University of Minnesota. This meet has three college divisions with over 30 schools in each, and over four hundred runners in each race. The Vikings competed in the NCAA Division II /maroon race for both the men and women. The men finished 34th of 36 teams, but beat rival Jamestown College. Fuka was the top finisher for the women finishing 162nd followed by Briss in 266th with a time of 26:32 – a personal record.

October featured the Roy Grainger Invitational at Northern State University's Lee Park Golf Course in Aberdeen, SD, the Jimmie Invitational in Jamestown, and the Mount Marty Invitational in Yankton, SD. The highlights included personal records for Wright, Wayne Engelhard and Kinsly Tarmann for the men and Romine and freshman Jenna Coghlan for the women. At Jamestown, the Vikings beat the Jimmies at their home course on their Homecoming weekend. The Viking men would wrap up their season with their best team performance of the year at the Mount Marty Invitational while Summer Romine would finish her first season in cross country with a personal best time in the 5000m (20:42). ♦



2012 Hall of Fame Banquet



1. Hall of Fame Inductees: Kirk Zink '98, Sarge Truesdell '98, Mikah Boudreaux '97, Trevor Bakalar '98, Terry Anderson '74
2. Hall of Fame Inductees: 1971-1973 Golf Teams Jim Vandrovec '74, Terry Anderson '74, Joe Vandrovec '74, Dan Langemo
3. Hall of Fame Inductees: 1996 Football Team Front: Seth Elston '99, Ryan Johnson '97, Wally Harbaugh '99, Ken Terry '00, Dustin Maasjo '00, Mikah Boudreaux '97; Middle: Derek Hjelseth '00, Marcus Hooks '00, Ignacio Areas '98, Sarge Truesdell '98, Trevor Bakalar '98, Scott Kopp '99, Kevin Trotter '98; Back: George Perich '99, Wyatt Scepaniak '00, Gerald Urlaub '97, Bryan Niewind '00, Ned Clooten '98, Mike Hinrichs '97

LED displays make VCSU brighter and sharper

New video board dedicated to Coach Jim Dew



New LED signage from Daktronics is gracing the VCSU campus, and in the process, is giving our facilities a clean, modern look.

One recent addition is a new LED video display at Shelly Ellig Field. The display was designed to work with and is placed immediately above a Daktronics LED scoreboard that was installed last year. The video display will primarily be used for displaying text, graphics, and commercials from game sponsors, providing Viking athletics with a new revenue source. The basketball court in the W.E. Osmon Fieldhouse will also get a new LED video display to join the new scoreboards from a few years ago. This LED board will be installed in late November.

But probably the most visible improvement is a new LED message board in front of the Osmon Fieldhouse facing the traffic on 8th Avenue. Although the new display replaces the old, light bulb-based electronic sign that had been in place since 1995, it will largely serve the same purpose: VCSU and community announcements. "At some point or another, just about everyone in town drives past that sign, so it's a great asset for the community as well as a nice addition to the Bubble," said Athletic Director Jack Denholm.

LED displays have several advantages over old light-bulb-based displays including dramatically higher resolution, brighter images, sharper colors, and longer life. They are also considerably more energy efficient.

For information on getting announcements posted to the 8th Avenue message board, contact Deb Feuerherm at 701-845-7161. ♦

The new LED video display at Shelly Ellig Field was installed and operating in time for the first home football game against Mayville State on September 8, and was dedicated to legendary coach Jim Dew in recognition of his many contributions to the Viking football program.

Eight alumni honored with Certificate of Merit award at Homecoming

The Valley City State University Alumni Association honored eight alumni with the Certificate of Merit award at the annual Homecoming Alumni Honors Breakfast on Saturday, September 29. The Certificate of Merit was established by the VCSU Alumni Association to recognize alumni for service, accomplishments, or other noteworthy honors. The alumni and the accomplishments for which they were honored are:



Back Row l to r: Curt Cannon '91, Joel Martin '97, Susan (Holmes) German '73, and Barb (Murdock) Thomason '66. Front Row l to r: Diane (Kunze) Loberg '73, Vanessa (Pilipchuk) Kocka '01, and Carina (Bjornson) Roehrich '91.

CURTIS A. CANNON '91

Curt is the CEO of Heartland Homes, Inc. in Park Rapids, MN and is Battalion Commander (Rear Detachment) for the 134th Brigade Support Battalion, Camp Ripley, MN.

Honors & Awards:

Bronze Star Medal during deployment to Iraq
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal
Iraq Campaign Medal
Overseas Service Medal
A total of four Army Commendation Medals
A total of three Army Achievement Medals
A total of two National Defense Medals
Army Service Ribbon
A total of five Army Reserve Component Achievement Medals

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with the "M" device
Minnesota Good Conduct Ribbon
State Active Duty Ribbon
Minnesota State Service Ribbon
Volunteer Certificate with Sebeka Public School/
Boys Basketball Organization

SUSAN (HOLMES) GERMAN '73

Retired band director for Oakes Public Schools.

Honors & Awards:

Citation of Excellence Award (2012)
Oakes Concert Band - ND Governor's Band for 2011-2012

TAMARA (MATZKE) GRIMM '83

Tamara is a Special Education teacher with the Lewis & Clark Middle School in Billings, MT. She has taught kids with mild to severe disabilities for the past 20 years.

Honors & Awards:

Golden Apple Award

VANESSA (PILIPCHUK) KOCKA '01

Vanessa is a school counselor with Valley City Public Schools.

Honors & Awards:

ACE Counseling Award
VCSU Hall of Fame

DIANE (KUNZE) LOBERG '73

Diane is an elementary health and physical education Instructor for the West Fargo Public Schools.

Honors & Awards:

West Fargo Public Schools Employee of the Month (September 1996)
Outstanding Cooperating Teacher of the Year - 2004
NDAHPERD School Health Teacher of the Year - 2010
Central District AAHPERD K12 Health Educator of the Year - 2012

JOEL MARTIN '97

Joel is a physical education teacher and coach (football & wrestling) at West Elementary in Spearfish, SD School District.

Honors & Awards:

SDAHPERD Elementary Physical Education Teacher of the year - 2012

CARINA (BJORNSON) ROEHRICH '91

Carina is a kindergarten teacher & gymnastics coach for the Valley City Public Schools.

Honors & Awards:

Division A Girls East Regional Gymnastics Coach of the Year - 2012

BARBARA (MURDOCK) THOMASON '66

Barbara is retired. She has coached, substitute taught, volunteered, and worked for non-profits in the Park Rapids, MN area.

Honors & Awards:

Breaking Barriers Award - 2012♦

Bass Receives Alumni Service Award



The Alumni Service Award was adopted by the VCSU Alumni Association to recognize alumni or university friends who have attained exceptional

achievement in their careers and have made significant contributions to the university through dedicated service, promotion, financial support or other efforts. This year's Alumni Service Award recipient is David Bass. Dave is

the ninth recipient of the Alumni Service Award.

Dave is a 1977 graduate of VCSU. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree majoring in Physical Education and a minor in English Education. Dave completed his Masters in Education in 1981 from the University of North Dakota. Dave's professional career includes teaching three years for Leeds Public Schools, two years at Valley City Public Schools and serving as a faculty member at Valley City State University for the past 31 years. Dave's commitment to VCSU has been without question. He serves on the VCSU Booster Board, the VCSU Alumni Board of Directors, and the VCSU Foundation Board (which includes serving as the secretary for the past two years.) Dave was a key player in the

2009-10 "On Track to Bring Back Track & Cross Country" campaign. He not only helped raise dollars to bring Track & Cross Country back as a sport to VCSU, but also recruited students for the program.

When Dave was asked, "What does being a graduate of VCSU mean to you?" he responded "Being a graduate of VCSU and a member of the teaching profession means I have the opportunity to represent my alma mater every day by trying to hold up the proud history and tradition of VCSU."

Dave's special memory of his time at VCSU as an undergraduate student is not one event but a book of memories about the wonderful teachers who were and continue to be lifelong friends and mentors.♦

HOME COMING 2012

Beautiful Fall weather dominated Homecoming 2012 throughout the week for students and alumni alike. For students, the week kicked-off with the 30th annual Osmon Fun Run, which was started by Bill's daughters Mary and Carol. Students Wayne Engelhard and Anna Fuka turned in the top times. Then, for the second year in a row, freshmen in the Living to Learn, Learning to Live program harvested an estimated 19 tons of squash and other produce from the farm of local Pastor Dan Faust which was donated to the Great Plains Food Bank for distribution to food shelves across the region. In all, students enjoyed a full week of activities that included traditional favorites such as Cash Cab, Mr. "All-American" VCSU, and a dance featuring the Johnny Holm Band. Harrison Weber, from Casselton, and Erin Edinger from Valley City, were voted King and Queen.

In athletic competition, the Viking football team, which had been ranked #21 in the NAIA, was upset by South Dakota School of Mines & Technology 39-28. The Viking volleyball team beat Dakota Wesleyan 3-1. ♦





VCSU Theatre's Tartuffe by Moliere in Vangstad Auditorium

Please call the VCSU Theatre Box Office at 701-845-7320
to make your reservation for one of the following shows:

7:30 PM - Thursday, February 14 ♦ 7:30 PM - Friday, February 15
2:00 PM - Saturday, February 16 ♦ 7:30 PM - Saturday, February 16



PERFORMING & FINE ARTS - WINTER 2012/2013

PERFORMING ARTS:

Nov. 16	José Gómez Clarinet & Chamber Ensembles 7:30 pm <i>Froemke*</i>
Nov. 17	Viking Visit Day & Music Scholarship Auditions
Nov. 17	Kirci Wagner Soprano..... 7:30 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Nov. 26	Auditions for Tartuffe..... 7:00 pm <i>Theatre 320</i>
Nov. 26	General Student Recital 7:30 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Nov. 27	Call-backs for Tartuffe 7:00 pm <i>Vangstad</i>
Nov. 29	East Region Instrumental Music Contest
Nov. 29	Christmas at St. Catherine's*** 7:30 pm
Dec. 1	Concert Band & Jazz Ensemble 3:00 pm <i>Vangstad*</i>
Dec. 1	Valley City & Jamestown Orchestras; Valley Voices Valley Childrens' Choir 7:30 pm <i>Vangstad***</i>
Dec. 8	EBC Christmas Hit Parade 7:30 pm <i>Vangstad</i>
Dec. 9	CSA Recitals..... 2:00 pm; 4:00 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Dec. 10	Garage Bands 4:00 pm <i>Vangstad</i>
Dec. 11	Courthouse Carol Sing; Valley Voices Valley Childrens' Choir..... 7:30 pm <i>Courthouse</i>
Jan. 25	Faculty Recital 7:30 pm <i>Froemke*</i>
Jan. 26	Viking Visit Day & Music Scholarship Auditions
Feb. 4	Excelsior Trio 7:30 pm <i>Froemke*</i>
Feb. 11	Dancing in the Isles Peggy Hammerling Flute... 7:30 pm <i>Froemke*</i>
Feb. 14-16	Tartuffe by Moliere 7:30 pm <i>Vangstad</i>
Feb. 16	Tartuffe by Moliere 2:00 pm <i>Vangstad</i>
Feb. 22	Louis Menendez Vocal Workshop 7:00-9:00 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Feb. 23	NFMC Festival <i>Froemke</i>

Feb. 23	Louis Menendez Vocal Workshop 1:00-4:30 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Feb. 23	Louis Menendez Piano, Robin Allebach Soprano, Chris Redfearn Tenor 7:30 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Feb. 24	Thomas Zinke Recital..... 3:00 pm <i>Froemke</i>
Mar. 2	James Adams Trombone & Mark Boren Trumpet..... 3:00 pm <i>Froemke*</i>
Mar. 13	Region 2 Vocal Music Contest
Mar. 23	VCSU Chamber Festival 7:30 pm <i>Froemke***</i>
Mar. 25	General Student Recital 7:30 pm <i>Froemke</i>

*Fee Concerts: \$5.00 Adult Admission Charge, VCSU Students, Faculty, and Staff Free.

***Free Will Offering Concerts.

+VCACA Concerts: Admission by SEASON MEMBERSHIP, (available for purchase at the door
Students-\$15; Adults-\$35; Single Parent Families-\$40; Families-\$65

FINE ARTS:

Nov. 5-21	Stephani Steffen Senior Exhibition VCSU Gallery
Nov. 5	..... Presentation McCarthy 365 7:00
Nov. 20	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 7:00-8:30 pm
Nov. 26-Dec. 7	Fall Semester Student Exhibition VCSU Gallery
Dec. 7	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 5:00-6:30 pm
Jan. 7-Feb. 8	Faculty Exhibition..... VCSU Gallery
Jan. 12	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 2:00-3:30 pm
Jan. 14	..... Presentation McCarthy 356 7:00 pm
Feb. 11-22	Cora Potts Senior Exhibition VCSU Gallery
Feb. 18	..... Presentation McCarthy 356 7:00 pm
Feb. 21	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 7:00-8:30 pm
Feb. 25 - Mar. 8	Katie Oakes Senior Exhibition VCSU Gallery
Mar. 4	..... Presentation McCarthy 356 7:00 pm
Mar. 8	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 7:00-8:30 pm
Mar. 25 - Apr. 5	Taryn Wallace Senior Exhibition..... VCSU Gallery
Mar. 25	..... Presentation McCarthy 356 7:00 pm
Apr. 5	..... Reception VCSU Gallery... 5:00-6:30 pm

Theatre students preparing for next production

VCSU Theatre students are busy preparing for Moliere's *Tartuffe*, learning new acting styles and designing the set with a raked stage. As a traditional production, students will work with period costumes, wigs, and movement. Staged in the historic Vangstad Auditorium, *Tartuffe* is VCSU Theatre's main-stage production this season.



Banned by King Louis XIV, *Tartuffe* addresses hypocrisy with comic flair. Moliere wrote his scripts in French verse. The English translation is still in rhymed verse. Actors in the VCSU Theatre program have experience with challenging texts, and are prepared to introduce their audiences to this classic comedy with enthusiasm.

VCSU alumni, friends, and supporters are welcome to participate in VCSU productions. Please contact Jenni Lou Russi at jennilou.russi@vcsu.edu for more information about auditions and other activities. Tickets for VCSU Theatre productions are now available at the VCSU Bookstore. Reservations can also be made by requesting a ticket online at: www.vcsu.edu/theatre or calling the VCSU Theatre Box Office at 701-845-7320. ♦

VCSU Chamber Ensembles featured at 10th Anniversary Ployhar Honor Band Festival

The 10th annual James D. Ployhar Honor Band Festival, Dr. James Adams, music director, was held on the VCSU campus October 5-6. This year, the festival featured three Chamber Ensemble groups from VCSU: The Quantum Brass, Tritone Winds, and the Saxophone Quartet. These groups are comprised of top VCSU music students, and worked with the Ployhar Band members in sectionals and performed with them during the final concert.

The festival remains committed to providing a quality collaborative honor band experience for high school musicians. This year's audition pool was the largest and most competitive in festival history, and the resulting performance was a wonderful event. Students from seven area high schools participated in numerous rehearsals and activities with the challenge of preparing a concert performance in 1½ days.

James D. Ployhar, an honored VCSU alumnus, was a prolific composer, arranger, and promoter of music education, with over 800 published compositions and arrangements. He has been the recipient of numerous national awards, and was inducted into the VCSU Music Hall of Fame in 2007. ♦

VCSU Hosts NDUS Arts & Humanities Summit



A highlight of the Arts & Humanities Summit was a special performance by poet, author, and musician Joy Harjo, the 2009 winner of the Native American Music Award for Best Female Artist of the Year.

VCSU was host to the North Dakota University System's 2012 Arts & Humanities Summit, a celebration of the talent and creativity of the NDUS campuses held every other year at a NDUS campus. This year's event, held in October, attracted 117 registrants from 10 campuses with 32 sessions of readings, scholarly work, concerts, performances, as well as 77 art pieces on exhibit around campus. NDUS Chancellor Dr. Hamid Shirvani was one of the participants, and addressed attendees during one of the luncheons. VCSU was well represented in the Summit with 20 faculty and 13 students participating.

The next Arts & Humanities Summit will be held in 2014 on the campus of Mayville State University. ♦

Bill Lydell, Gloria Peterson inducted into the Music Hall of Fame



Two outstanding individuals were inducted into the VCSU Music Hall of Fame at the Induction Banquet held September 15 at the Valley City Town & Country Club. **William A. Lydell** graduated from Valley City State with Music Education and English degrees in 1955 and went on to a long and successful career teaching music and performing. **Gloria Peterson (in memoriam)** was a Music Department faculty member from 1963-1995 and founder of the male vocal ensemble, The Troubadors, who are still actively performing to this day. Family, friends, alumni, and supporters of VCSU music attended the event as we honored the exceptional contributions both individuals made to music during their careers.

Nominations are being accepted for future Music Hall of Fame inductees. If you would like to nominate someone, the form can be found at: music.vcsu.edu. For more information, call 701-845-7272 or email paula.larson@vcsu.edu. ♦

In Remembrance

Robert Ward '74, Fargo
 Ellen (Sather) Wilhelmi '42, Devils Lake
 Aloys Feist '67, Hebron
 Donald W. Trett, Bellevue, WA
 June (Kemmer) Goodman '54, Byron, MN
 Daniel K. Rufsvold '72, Lisbon
 Lilly (Rost) Tangney '39, New Rockford
 Patricia A. (Newton) Gelhoff '57, Vancouver, WA
 Virginia (Johnson) Miller '43, Fergus Falls, MN
 Kathleen M. (Fercho) Johnson '68, Minot
 R. B. Ludvigson, Anoka, MN
 Alois (Armour) '37, Salem, OR
 Katherine (Hutchinson) Stahl '78, Chandler, AZ
 Kathryn (Ford) Hocking '33, Fremont, NE
 Donald P. Miller '58, Mesa, AZ
 Eunice Lee '41, Alexandria, MN
 Verle (Hinschberger) Thompson '40, Lake Elmo, MN
 Helen (Riskedahl) McCormack '37, Des Lacs
 Cynthia M. (Schwalk) Prodzinski '73, Courtenay
 Mildred (Hedman) Granger '27, Grand Forks
 Lawrence Hull '49, Mesa, AZ
 Erma G. (Hanson) Overby, Valley City
 Douglass Muir '65, Fargo
 Leon E. Thielges '81, Enderlin
 Edith (Hurst) Senti '49 and '74, Puyallup, WA
 Terry Goehring '71, Rolette,
 Mary "Micki" (Lange) McLain '10, Valley City
 Jeffrey Letasse '83, Pleasanton, CA
 Anna (Wilcox) Bonnett '45, Fargo
 Dale Schmitz, Valley City
 Janet (Carlson) Snyder '42, Underwood
 Casey (Poseley) Helmstetler '88, Jamestown
 Magdalene (Von Bank) Kirby '40, Stanford, MT
 Mildred (Farrow) Doney '43, Havre, MT
 Spencer Fjeld '41, Hawley, MN
 Sadie (Borg) Sargent '76, Jamestown
 Carole (Raveling) Westra '64, Park Rapids
 Tyler Plantz, Casselton
 Sheila (Morse) Coleman '92, Oakes
 Gloria (Heglie) Adams '59, West Fargo
 Delores (Smith) Moser
 Rita Ann (Wagner) Moser, Jamestown
 Delores (Stangler) Kapaun '67, Roseville, MN
 JaNae (Kunze) Eggert '79, Valley City
 Connie M. Olson '89, Valley City
 Alice (Fredrickson) Henning, Vancouver, WA
 Beverly (Rohde) Kaczmariski '53, Donna, TX
 Karen (Pedersen) Arneson '58, Fargo
 Adeline R. (Muske) Schumacher '44, Kalispell, MT
 Dale W. Bayer '61, Jamestown
 Mary (Killoran) Fischer '79, Valley City
 Tammy Halland '89, Moorhead, MN
 Larry J. Nelson '71, Carrington
 Delores (Olson) Boyle, Jamestown
 Kathryn (Martinson) Quam '41, Breckenridge, MN
 Sharon A. Clancy '61, Valley City
 Lauren Lesmeister '74, Bismarck
 Michael "Mick" Schuler '06, Wahpeton
 Leland Benson, Arthur
 William "Skip" Shirley, Fargo

Former Faculty & Staff

Daune Brown, Lawrenceburg, KY
 Dr. Sam Rankin, Dayton, OH

Vikings on the Move

1940's



▲ **Joseph Schneider '49** served in the Navy from 1942 until 1946. Following his graduation from VCSU, Joseph taught vo-ag and veterans on the farm. In 1954, he took a position with USDA FmHA and was later transferred to Bismarck as a real estate loan officer. In 1965, he was appointed as a district director for Farmers Home Administration in Devils Lake as a district director of eight counties and was later reassigned to the Dickinson area. After 32 years of federal service, he retired in 1978. Joseph is 91 years old and enjoys vacations with his son, Jerry, and his five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

1950's



Jane (Sheldon) Knecht '51 taught for two years in Wimbledon, ND, prior to marrying Dave Knecht. She then taught in Wilmette, IL, while Dave finished seminary school. Together, they

raised seven children, after which Jane got her MA in guidance and counseling at NDSU and then served as a counselor for six years before they both retired. During the summer, they live in their cabin near Cass Lake, MN, and during the winters, they live in Fargo.

Eugene Lavey '54 taught in Tappen, ND, Malta, MT, Juneau, AK, in Arizona and in Scooby, MT. In 1951, he was awarded the Purple Heart while serving in the Korean War. He retired from teaching in 1985 and started Lavey Insurance with his wife, Mary. Eugene and Mary recently celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. They have three children, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. They are in good health and enjoy hunting, fishing and traveling.

1960's

Donald '60 and Lola '59 Patnoudé are still living in Breckenridge, MN, where both did their last 22 years of teaching -- Don in Breckenridge (also coached) and Lola at NDSCS in Wahpeton. They've been married 56 years and have three grown children. They enjoy their winters in Florida and many other travels, and continue to enjoy many activities in the community. Greetings to all!



▲ **Robert '62 and Marion (Walth) '62 Rieth** married in 1961 and graduated together from VCSU in 1962. After teaching for a year in Elgin, ND, Bob served as lay pastor in Tioga and Marion taught in the Tioga High School. Bob attended the Free Lutheran Congregations seminary in Minneapolis and was ordained into the ministry in a mission church in Kirkland, WA, near Seattle. After serving in a local congregation, Bob began working with the Seattle Sonics as chaplain and led Bible studies for the Mariners baseball team. In 1987, Media Fellowship International was incorporated to minister to people in the secular media and entertainment industries. As founder and CEO of MFI, Bob meets with professionals in a number of key cities in the U.S. and in Europe. Marion began working at The Boeing Company in 1980 where she continues as a Program Manager of Oracle computer systems. In addition, Bob and Marion have developed the Sheyenne Riverbend Farm three miles south of Valley City as a special event destination featuring a restored chapel, a one-room schoolhouse turned into a cabin, a wedding gazebo, a vintage farmhouse and a large reception hall.



▲ **Ken '63 and Janet (Tjernlund) '63 Koppelman** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 1. They have two children and four grandchildren that all live nearby.

We would LOVE to hear from YOU!

1970's

LaVerne (Gohner) Yetterboe '71 received an emergency certificate in 1947 and began teaching in a rural school. After her marriage, LaVerne took a few years off to raise their four daughters. While her daughters were young, she returned to VCSU and earned her Standard degree in 1964. She taught in the Gackle, ND, school district and took night classes, summer school and independent study to earn her BA in Elementary Education in 1971. She resigned from the Gackle Schools in 1989 and moved to Arizona where she taught another four years. She retired after teaching for 36 years. LaVerne currently lives in Jamestown, ND.

Dennis Martin '72 has worked for DuPont, New York Life Insurance, Pan Am, the Cavalier School System, and from 1979 until his retirement, he worked as the Register of Deeds for Pembina County, ND. Dennis is a student of the Bible, collects coins, builds model railroads and is an avid sports fan, especially of the Cavalier Tornadoes. Dennis and his wife, Kaye, live in Cavalier, ND, and have two children, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

1980's

Yvonne (Sortland) Stegner '87 and her husband, Brice live near Amidon, ND, on their centennial family farm. Yvonne runs the post office in Amidon and plays her saxes and clarinet with local groups; Brice is the training manager for MBI Well Services. Their oldest child, Maren, is a freshman at VCSU this fall, and Kara (17), Kjersten (15), Levi (13) and Eve (11) attend New England Public School. They welcome friends to stop in and visit.

2000's

Chadwick Larson '05 completed his Ph.D. in biochemistry from Arizona State University in 2010 and is currently working as a scientist at Verastem, Inc., a publicly-traded biotech company in Cambridge, MA. Chadwick moved to Boston, MA in 2010 and on May 12, 2012, married Paula Malone. Paula, a Boston native, is working as assistant controller at BIND Biosciences, Inc., a private biotech company also located in Cambridge. Chadwick and Paula live happily in Braintree, MA, just a few miles south of Boston.

Andrew Hager '10 was recently hired as a lab manager in two reserach laboratories at UCLA. The labs are working on synthesizing new fossil fuels and creating medical materials. This is a new position and Andrew says he will have his work cut out for him as he gets the lab organized, creates an inventory, and gets a handle on the mechanics of the lab.

Lil' Vikings

Have you had an addition to your family within the last six months? We want to know! Contact Kim Hesch at: kim.hesch@vcsu.edu to receive a free t-shirt for your new Lil' Viking. Please be sure to tell us your baby's name and birthdate. After you have received your baby's Lil' Viking shirt, send us your baby's photo so we can include it in the next issue of our alumni *Bulletin*.

Email the photo to kim.hesch@vcsu.edu.



Samuel Francis was born May 15, 2012 to Jay and Tara (Triebold) '05 Praska. Samuel weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces and was 20.5 inches long. Sam joins brothers Luke (4) and Elijah (2).



Dilynne Joyce was born on May 25, 2012 to Jeremy Peschel '03 and Heather Rickford '02. Dilynne weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces, and was 21 inches long. Jeremy is a team sales rep for LIDS Team Sports and Heather teaches in the West Fargo Public School District. The family lives in Kindred.



Radke Jay was born August 5 to Mallory (Undlin) '08 and Randy '08 Hooey. Radke weighed 8 pounds 11 ounces and was 22 inches long.



Aurore Rose was born February 2, 2012. She is the daughter of Aleisha Kiser '12. Aurore was 7 pounds 7 ounces and 19 inches long.

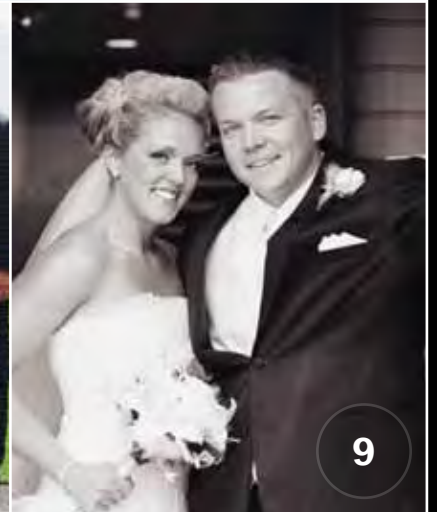
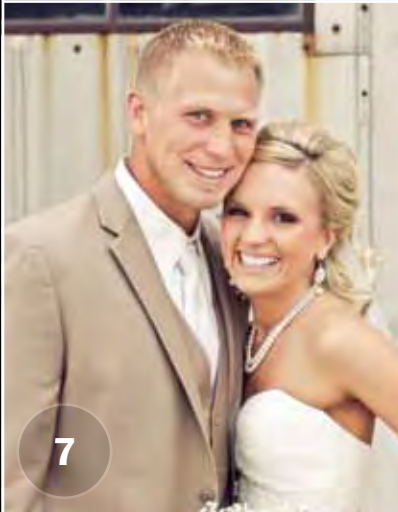
Weddings

- Katherine Hanson '07 & Nolan Larson July 14, 2012
- Jackie Mitchell '11 & Calvin Kraft '11..... July 14, 2012
- Jamie Sheeran '09 & Joe Banken July 21, 2012
- Kirsten Dehart & Major Hopp '12 August 3, 2012
- Dana Rembolt '10 & Paul Lindemann August 3, 2012
- Brianne Heupel '11 & Justin Foell '10..... August 18, 2012
- Janell Narum '04 & Roger Erbes August 18, 2012
- Jenna Braunagel & Jonathen Lahr '09 October 20, 2012

Submit your "Vikings on the Move" or "Milestones" entry by contacting the VCSU Alumni Office: 701-845-7203 • 800-532-8641 x37203 or e-mail us at alumni@vcsu.edu

Milestones

Life isn't a matter of milestones, but of moments.
Rose Kennedy



1. Kari (Grieger) Pfingsten '93 and her husband, Billy, were blessed with triplets October 25, 2011. Brodie John was 5 pounds and 17 ¼ inches long. Joshua James was 5 pounds 8 ounces and 18 inches long. Avonlee Rose was 4 pounds 15 ounces and 17 ¼ inches long. They also have a daughter, Livia, who is 4 years old. Kari resigned from teaching 3rd grade after 12 years at Central Cass, Casselton, when she had Livia. She is now a stay-at-home mom. Billy works at Microsoft in Fargo as a software engineer. They make their home on a farmstead south of Casselton.

2. Tanner Beauchman '05 and Samantha Chase were married July 7, 2012, at the International Peace Gardens and are currently living in Detroit Lakes, MN. Samantha is working at a post-doctoral position in clinical psychology, and Tanner is enrolled as a full time VCSU graduate student and substitute teaching.

3. Regan Emilee Scherbenske was born April 14, 2012 to **Matthew '05 and Sheri (Stein) '05 Scherbenske**. She weighed 9 pounds and was 21 inches long. Regan joins big sister Hannah, age 2. The Scherbenskens recently moved to Hazelton, ND, where Matt is the H-M-B K-12 principal and activities director, and Sheri teaches grades 3-6 reading and social studies.

4. Ashleigh (Crockett) Blikre '07 and her husband, Jared, are the proud parents of Kellen Andrew Blikre born on November 25, 2011 weighing in at 7 pounds 3 ounces and 19 inches long. Ashleigh is a data support coordinator for the NESC based out of Devils Lake and Jared is the principal at Rugby High School.

5. Kara (Wendel) '08 and Jeremy '08 Wiebe welcomed a baby boy, Gavin Paul, on August 3. He weighed 7 pounds 10 ounces and was 20 ½ inches long. Jeremy works at Ingstad Family Media as an account executive and Kara is a loan technician training coordinator.

6. Chandra Dewald '08 and Travis Jirges were married July 21, 2012. Chandra and Travis live in New England, ND, where Chandra works for Sodexo at DSU and Travis is a diesel mechanic in Dickinson.

7. Jessica Hintz '10 and Nathan Stoen were married August 11, 2012 at Hope Lutheran Church in Fargo. Jessica is employed at Northern Cass School District (Hunter, ND) as a 2nd grade teacher. Nathan is a foreman for Adelman Concrete & Excavating (Fargo, ND). They currently reside in Fargo, ND.

8. Amy Renaldi and Matt Klingenberg '10 were married August 10, 2012 at Jackson Lake, WY. Matt is a behavioral coach with the St. Vrain Valley School District in Longmont, CO, and Amy is an English literacy coordinator and varsity softball coach at Mead High School. Pictured L-R: Alexis Klingenberg '10, Annie Klingenberg '10, Amy Renaldi, Matt Klingenberg '10, Erin Klingenberg (VCSU faculty), Mel Klingenberg '82, Sadie Klingenberg and Kraig Klingenberg.

9. Lisa Paillé '10 and Alex Wheal '08 were married August 11, 2012 in Stratford, Ontario. Alex is a police officer at Waterloo Regional and Lisa works at the GoodLife Fitness head office and is a national HVAC coordinator.

10. Kelsey Hanson '11 and Jamie Paurus were married July 20, 2012. Kelsey teaches K-12 physical education and is the head volleyball coach at Finley-Sharon/Hope-Page. Jamie is a business instructor at VCSU.

11. Katie Hansen '12 and Nolan Larson were married on July 14, 2012.

12. Theresa Foertsch '11 and Joseph Ostgarden '12 were married August 4, 2012 in Wyndmere, ND. Front Row, L-R: Loni Sallee '11, Kyle Vareberg '12, Theresa (Foertsch) Ostgarden '11, Joseph Ostgarden '12, and Adam Palowski - current student. Middle & Back Row, L-R: Ellen Drevecky '12, Sara Engler '11, Anthony Williams '12, Brian Dahlberg '12, Garrett Anderson - current student, Samantha Stanley - current student, Sidney Simmons '12, Sonja Plautz '11, and John O'Day-Head Resident. ♦

North Dakota Suncoast Association Luncheon

Jay Morgan '69 and his wife, Louise Anna, would like to extend an invitation to all Valley City State University alumni and friends who live, winter or plan to vacation in the Sarasota, FL area in February to the 49th annual North Dakota Suncoast Association Luncheon. The luncheon will be held on February 23, 2013 at the River Wilderness Golf and Country Club, I-75 at exit 224 (Hwy 301) Parrish, FL.

If you are interested in attending please contact Jay Morgan at 941-378-4444 or louiseanna@msn.com for more information.

HELP US LOCATE THESE LOST ALUMNI ◀

If you know the address of any of these individuals, please contact the VCSU Foundation office at 1-800-532-8641 ext 37203 or e-mail alumni@vcsu.edu

1990 Thomas Brogden	1992 Lloyd Joseph	1994 Darla Gestvang	1996 Ernest Clark
1990 Rhonda Denbow	1992 Michael Morris	1994 Kraig Hickel	1996 Cameron Croy
1990 Kimberly Hansen	1992 Candice Ohlmann	1994 Darragh (Wicks) Killilea	1996 Stephen Gaskin
1990 James Heapy	1992 Troy Reinertson	1994 Karen Mauch	1996 Andrea (Sather) Jenson
1990 Joellen Pahl	1992 Cathy (Plum) Rienstra	1994 DaRahn Miller	1996 Lori Johnson
1991 Barbara (Remore) Bakken	1992 Ronald Schumacher	1994 Stacy Miller	1996 Marlyn Keller
1991 Lisa (Pulst) Cain	1992 Deborah Trader	1994 Kelly Ranisate	1996 C. "Gus" Kyle
1991 Paulo Costa	1992 Robyn (Hinrichs) Wallis	1994 Michele Wentz	1996 Carol Ley
1991 Daniel Gnadt	1992 Jill (Nicolai) Weber	1995 James Anderson	1996 Lisa Mikkelson
1991 Mike Gross	1993 Theodore Brown	1995 Scott Bekken	1996 Douglas Skarp
1991 Melissa Kramer	1993 Monserrat (Cordova) Cabrera	1995 Robin (Wood) Collins	1996 Ernest Valentine
1991 Sheila (Johnson) Nelson	1993 Angela Clark	1995 Shannon Corbett	1997 Eric Buringrud
1991 Marvin Olson	1993 Lynn Johnson	1995 Jason Grover	1997 Bryan Carlson
1991 Penny (Anderson) Pekarski	1993 Jodi (Sitte) Johnson	1995 Michael Hoffmann	1997 Daren Fech
1991 Frank Peterson	1993 Timothy Kramer	1995 Richelle Iverson	1997 Gregory Franck
1992 Donna Casey	1993 Joyce McClafin	1995 Kariann Jewett	1997 Christopher Grainger
1992 Brenda Dietz	1993 D'Lisa Mitchell	1995 Wade Long	1997 Paula (Schultz) Petersen
1992 Kevin Gietz	1993 Correna (Jensen) Perry	1995 Michael Mostad	1997 Linda Thorn
1992 Randall Hanson	1993 Sarah Sander	1995 Cara Peters	1997 Kathleen Wilde
1992 Tamera Henderson	1993 Andrew Smith	1995 Geoffrey Santiago	
1992 Leslie Iverson	1993 Theresa Thompson	1995 Derek Thompson	



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