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Peters named to lead VCSU Athletic Department



Valley City State University President Dr. Ellen Chaffee is pleased to announce that Doug Peters has been named the Athletic Director for the Vikings. Peters began his duties on July 1 replacing Don Bauer, who retired after serving as the VCSU athletic director for nine years.

"Only an exceptional person can step into the footsteps of legendary athletic directors like W.E. Osmon and Don Bauer. Doug brings unique strengths and uncommon vision to the position, and I am predicting great things for the 'Peters years,' as well" stated Chaffee.

Peters was the Director of Development for Intercollegiate Athletics at Bemidji State University. Prior to that, he served in several capacities in both the Bemidji State athletic department and the Bemidji State

Foundation Office.

A native of Fort Lupton, Colorado, Peters earned degrees in physical education and business management and his master's degree in physical education at Bemidji State.

At VCSU, Peters will lead an Athletic Department separate from the Health and Physical Education

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Holm to receive Distinguished Alumni Honor



Jeanette (Schaack) Holm, a 1960 graduate of Valley City State University, has been selected by the VCSU Alumni Board of Directors to become the 52nd recipient of the association's most prestigious award, the Distinguished Alumni Award. Jeanette will be honored during Homecoming activities on Saturday, October 9, 2004. The award will be presented at the Alumni Honors Breakfast scheduled for 8:30 AM in the VCSU Student Center.

Jeanette received her bachelor's degree from VCSU in 1960 and earned her master's degree in 1987. She served as the Resource Room Learning Disabilities/Emotional Disorders Instructor at the ND Youth Correctional Center in Mandan from 1983 to 2003. Jeanette worked with juvenile offenders for 36 years. She was instrumental in developing new and innovative programs to serve this population. In addition to creating model programs in North Dakota, she has been active with the Correctional Education Association throughout her career. She has served the organization in many capacities from Chapter President, to Regional Director,

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David M. Hanson
VCSU Alumni President

President's Corner

by David M. Hanson '83

I would like to begin by reporting back to you on my efforts to start a Wyndmere Public School - VCSU Scholarship. We were able to raise \$400.00 from the alumni of VCSU here at Wyndmere. I know that all of them already contribute to VCSU through other avenues of financial support (Phone-A-Thon), but I was very pleased that we were able to begin what I hope will be an annual endeavor.

I was involved in the hiring of both an elementary kindergarten instructor and a high school math instructor for next year. The candidates that applied from VCSU were excellent. My superintendent asked me why we ended up interviewing so many VCSU graduates. My response was a quick "the cream rises to the top." I know that VCSU is much more than just a teacher prep college, but that is the field I am in and is the area of opportunity I have to report my experiences to you. We did hire a VCSU candidate for the kindergarten position, and have offered the math position to a VCSU candidate as well.

This is the last time I address you as VCSU Alumni President. I have considered it a privilege to serve the alumni of VCSU on the Alumni Board. The good news is that I have one more year left as "Past-President." The Alumni Board is made up of people with a

passion for VCSU. This passion is exemplified by the staff at VCSU that I have worked with during my tenure on the Alumni Board. Dr. Chaffee is an outstanding ambassador for our college. I am so happy that she is our full-time president and appreciate all the hard work she does on behalf of VCSU. Val Moritz (Director of Alumni Relations) is another shining example of a VCSU staff with this passion. Val has the responsibility for keeping the Alumni Board President in line (no small job). She conducts all of her duties in a professional manner and is always ready with a smile and a kind word. I have also had the pleasure of working with Larry Robinson (Director of University Advancement). To say that Larry has dedicated most of his adult life to VCSU would not be an exaggeration. I believe that these three and many others on the VCSU staff deserve our praise. I would encourage you to contact them and let them know how much they are appreciated. I am thankful that I have this public opportunity to pass along my sincere thanks!

I would like to encourage you to consider serving on the VCSU Alumni Board. You can contact me at the e-mail address listed below, or can contact the Alumni Office and talk to Val. A working list of names is kept and then those names are considered when going through the process of nominating potential board members for the new year. When I said "yes" to the call to serve, I never realized at the time what a wonderful opportunity I was being given. Thanks again for the opportunity to serve you and VCSU!

Sincerely,
David M. Hanson '83
David.M.Hanson.1@sendit.nodak.edu



Val Moritz
Alumni Relations

We've just experienced another wonderful weekend here at VCSU. At the suggestion of Brian Griffin '69, we held a reunion for the VCSU Decade of the 1960's and it was a great weekend. Sharing time with former VCSU faculty and staff, touring the community and campus, renewing friendships and sharing college experiences, these 60's graduates appreciated the opportunity to

"come home."

We're planning to invite the 1950's graduates to campus next summer. I hope that if you're in those classes, you'll be able to join us. The campus is just as beautiful as you remember and we're eager to have you return. While new programs and technology have been implemented since you left, the heart of the campus remains the same.

Summer is a time of surprises for us. We're often treated to a surprise visit from an alum as they drive through on their vacations. If you're in the area, please stop at your alma mater. The coffee is always on and we'd love to take you on a tour of the campus.

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President's Message

by Dr. Ellen-Earle Chaffee

Summer time and the living is easy? Hardly! Valley City State University never rests, least of all in the summer of 2004. We are on the move!

We have three faculty task forces working this summer on proposals that will lead to the university's first ever masters degree. After approval from the State Board of Higher Education and our accrediting agency (we hope in time for fall 2005 classes), we will offer a Masters of Education. The initial program will be in technology education, but we aim to follow up soon after with one or two alternative concentration areas that will have broader applicability.

We also have very creative leadership working on new ways to deliver "online" instruction. Such courses began as digital versions of correspondence

courses and have been evolving in most places to a more sophisticated use of digital media. Our goal is for you to be "at" VCSU, wherever you are, with access to real-time audio/video instruction from a real professor, live interactive audio/video discussions with other students, and other features that almost literally make the classroom walls disappear, yet preserve the flexibility and convenience of online instruction.

Kolstoe Hall is gorgeous, ready to open this fall with suite-style living for students. It is air conditioned now, too, so plan to bring the family, or sponsor a conference, meeting, or camp here next summer!

Two of our new hires represent important new capabilities for the university. Our new athletic director, Doug Peters, is our

first full-time AD in years – perhaps ever. He was director of development for intercollegiate athletics at Bemidji State University. He impressed us all, and we know he will add new dimensions to the program and the university.

This spring, we hired a new director of marketing and communications, Doug Anderson. He has 16 years of experience in corporate marketing in the Minneapolis area, an MBA from the University of Minnesota, and an economics degree from Northwestern University. In the fall, he will be rolling out a new approach to this publication and many other print and digital materials to better represent the university's innovations and energy.

Our academic vice president went on to a presidency, resigning



Ellen-Earle Chaffee
VCSU President

relatively late in the year. We have hired a one-year interim vice president who can help us achieve some of our exciting academic goals. He is Dr. Jim Wigtil, former Chair for the NDSU School of Education and Professor Emeritus at both NDSU and Ohio State University.

Watch this space! More good news to come.

VCSU'S Legacy Society membership numbers grow

The membership continues to grow in VCSU's Legacy Society. The Legacy Society was established approximately one year ago to recognize those folks who have included Valley City State University in their will or as a beneficiary of an insurance policy or trust. The Legacy Society is our way of thanking those alumni and friends who have included the university in their estate plans.

Folks who have included the university in their estate plans are encouraged to contact the university Foundation Office and advise them accordingly. All members of the Legacy Society will be listed in the annual *Donor Edition of The Bulletin*.

According to Larry Robinson, Director of University Advancement, "The university often receives gifts that come as a surprise. Although we appreciate these gifts, we are not positioned to express our thanks and appreciation. The Legacy Society will provide us with an opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation and to more appropriately recognize our donors."

Valley City State University Foundation Legacy Society Member Information

- Yes, please include me/us in the Legacy Society. I/we have included Valley City State University in our estate plans or in another qualifying way.

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Thank you again for your support of Valley City State University!

Please clip and return to:
Larry Robinson; Valley City State University;
101 College St SW; Valley City, ND 58072

In Memory of Matt Edland



VCSU recently lost one of our own when Matt Edland, VCSU graduate and faculty member, passed away unexpectedly. While a student at VCSU, he served as the President of the Student Senate. He later returned to VCSU as a Professor in the Technology Education Department. He passed away in May of 2004 while preparing for a marathon.

The family and friends of Matt Edland have established a scholarship in his memory. The scholarship will be awarded annually from the interest earnings in the scholarship fund. The renewable scholarship is available to upper level students with Education majors with preference to Technology Education majors or minors with a GPA of 3:00 or higher. Preference will be given to students from North Dakota.

Contributions to the scholarship fund may be sent to the Matt Edland Scholarship Fund, Valley City State University Foundation, 101 College Street SW, Valley City, ND 58072.

Holzworth named Menahga's top teacher

Cole Short, Park Rapids Enterprise

Ronald Holzworth's 33-year legacy as a Menahga teacher has been marked by three F's: family, friends and fairness.

But his fellow teachers recently gave him straight A's.

Citing his kindness, upbeat personality and his dedication to learning, Holzworth's peers have named him the Menahga Teacher of the Year for 2004.

"Ron works with the students to bring out the very best in them," said Menahga teacher Carol Ann Cleveland, one of several instructors who nominated Holzworth.

"Two of my three daughters were lucky enough to have him for their teacher."

Holzworth was honored as the teacher of the year at a ceremony on May 19 in the Menahga School. The 57-year-old instructor, who retired June 1, had never won the teacher of the year award. He didn't expect to win this year, either.

"I was surprised and honored," Holzworth said. "Ending my career and being selected as the teacher of the year, that's icing on the cake."

Holzworth did not plan to spend a lifetime in education. The Jamestown, ND, native had considered entering the military after high school.

But a 19-3 record as a wrestler his senior year in high school attracted the attention of a college coach from Valley City State

University (VCSU).

At the urging of Don Lemnus, Holzworth agreed to test his talents as a college wrestler and earn his degree.

Holzworth joined his identical twin, Ray, at VCSU, becoming the first members of their family to attend college.

"My parents had only finished the eighth grade....I feel good that my parents were able to have at least two college graduates," he said.

After earning his degree, Holzworth headed west to Cypress, CA, where he taught in an elementary school.

Two years later, his twin brother called to ask if he'd return to the Midwest to teach by his side in Menahga. He accepted the offer in 1971.

For more than two decades, Holzworth taught fifth grade in Menahga before switching to fourth grade 10 years ago.

His philosophy on teaching hasn't changed in that time. "I always try to give each kid an equal opportunity," he said.

"And they have to define what they will be. We can try to point and lead them in one direction. But ultimately, the decision is theirs," he said.

Holzworth prides himself on being fair to students and trying to keep his sense of humor in the classroom: "You have to be able to laugh with and occasionally at yourself."

In her nomination form for teacher of the year, Cleveland praised Holzworth for his modesty and caring nature.

"He is very upbeat and is always looking on the bright side of things," she wrote.

Instructor Judy Maaninga also nominated Holzworth for the award, calling him dedicated, flexible and fair.

"Ron is extremely fair and commands respect," she said. "He is a kind and caring individual, one worthy of the honor of teacher of the year."

Besides his duties in the classroom, Holzworth has been a member of the Jaycees, taught gun training for 20 years and led the Boy Scouts.

In addition, he served as a wrestling coach for more than 20 years beside his brother, Ray, who retired in January after 34 years in the district.

Both brothers were honored at a retirement party at Blueberry Pines Restaurant near Menahga May 14.

Holzworth said he'll look back on his teaching days fondly. He'll miss the kids the most.

"I'll miss their energy and their smiles," he said. "I tried to do my share to educate kids the best I could, because I had them for at least one-twelfth of their life in school."

"I hope in that time each of them is able to say they remember me and that they learned something from me."



Tom and Virginia Trousdale of Bismarck offer congratulations to Chineze "ChiChi" Ilogu, who graduated from Valley City State University this spring. Chi Chi, a native of Nigeria, was the recipient of the Tom Trousdale Scholarship.

Mr. Trousdale was a VCSU graduate from the Class of 1971. ChiChi was joined at the event by family members who traveled from the east coast and Nigeria.

Dr. Robert L. Potts accepts NDUS Chancellor position



BISMARCK, ND – Dr. Robert L. Potts, president of the University of North Alabama, recently announced his acceptance of the position of chancellor of the North Dakota University System as offered by the State Board of Higher Education.

“After consulting with the University of North Alabama Board of Trustees, Irene and I are pleased to accept the offer from the State Board of Higher Education for me to become chancellor of the North Dakota University System effective July 1, 2004,”

Potts said. “While a piece of our hearts and souls will always be with the University of North Alabama and the Shoals Area, we are excited

about our new lives that are about to begin in North Dakota.”

The Shoals Area includes the cities of Florence, Muscle Shoals, Sheffield and Tuscumbia, Alabama.

“The State Board of Higher Education is excited Dr. Potts has decided to accept our offer,” said Bruce I. Christianson, SBHE vice president. “We firmly believe he has the energy, enthusiasm and expertise needed to lead the North Dakota University System.”

Potts has been president of the University of North Alabama since 1990. He served as general counsel for the University of Alabama System from 1984 to 1989. Prior to joining the University of Alabama System, he was a partner in the law firm of Potts and Young from 1971 to 1983. He received a J.D. degree from the University of Alabama in 1969 and an L.L.M. from Harvard University in 1971.

Valley City State University HOMECOMING 2004

Special Guests: Viking Pilots

Friday, October 8

Class of 1944 Reunion &
Class of 1954 Reunion
Hall of Fame Banquet &
Induction Ceremonies



Saturday, October 9

Alumni Honors Breakfast
Homecoming Parade
Tailgating Picnic
Library Luncheon
Football Game
Alumni Social
Homecoming Dance

Class of 1944 60-Year Reunion

Vera Swartout Aalgaard
Ethel Heuer Backstrom
Agnes Eissinger Dammell
Bernadette Baumann Donegan
Helen Gibbon
Hazel Ness Holzwarth
Herdis Stalvik Iverson
June Johnson
Irene Henne Kamrath
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Twila Rognlie Marshall
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Alan McLees
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Ella Lallum Ottarson
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Adeline Muske Schumacher
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Mary Compton Tank
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George Wolke

Class of 1954 50-Year Reunion

Betty Salzwedel Anderson
Hildegard Eberle Anderson
Olaf Aune
Inez Lovaas Aus
Raymond Brooks
Leonard Bubach
Francis Dahl
Harold Davidson
Keith Dennis
Herbert Denny
Glen Dieterich
Barbara Langdahl Gilbertson
Wendell Gillund
Leo Glatt
June Kemmer Goodman
Shirley Lien Grondahl
Myrle Gylden
Harriet Halvorson
Helen Roscoe Hanson
Muriel Schauer Haut
Lucille Johnson Jordahl
Marlene Newcomb Karavalis
Betty Gale Kreidlkamp
Ray Kreidlkamp
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Eugene Lavey
Myrna Williams Lehr
Robert Lentz
Florence Lere
Gordon Lybeck
Mary Brooks Mayerle
Harold Miller
Ione Frederick Morris
Gloria Foley Mortenson
Ellen Buhr Moug
Donna Keidel Moxness
Lucille Keaveny Onerheim
Elton Overby
Nancy Emery Peterson
Eleanor Johnson Ramsey
Shirley Strand Ruud
Raymond Ryberg
Cliff Schlosser
John Sisco
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Jeanette Stone
Robert Taylor
Betty Wellman Tillapaugh
Herb Tillapaugh
Jessie Belanus Urlaub
Owen Wallace
Francis Weber
Marjorie Ackerman Weston

Department of Music welcomes alumni donation

The Department of Music recently received a welcome surprise in the form of a materials donation from one of its alumni. Paul Rice of Barnesville, Minnesota, graduated from Valley City State University in 1957 with a composite degree in vocal and instrumental music education. A baritone horn specialist, Rice's first teaching position was in LaMoure. He received an added bonus with this initial appointment, as he met his wife, the former Linda Hoffman, while in LaMoure. Later, Rice held teaching positions at Wyndmere, Enderlin, and Chaffee, North Dakota, and Ada Minnesota, where he directed the choir. He also served as President of the North Dakota Music Educators' Association in the 1960s. Rice and his wife operated the Barnesville Dairy Queen for 22 years.

“Our department was very pleased to receive a fine collection of miniature scores, classical recordings, and books,” said Dr. Diana Skroch, Chair of the Department of Music. “Our students will benefit from this generous donation.”

Paul Rice may be contacted through e-mail at dqrice@bvillemn.net or by mail at 1004 9th Avenue South East, Barnesville, Minnesota 56514.

Four generations of VCSU grads

Scarlet Gray '03, Valley City Times Record



2004 VCSU graduate Jessica Walker (right), follows in the footsteps of her mother, Marcia Foss (left), grandmother, Geraldine Foss (middle) and great grandmother, Clara Bunkowski (not pictured). Jessica represents the fourth generation of Foss women to graduate from VCSU.

This year's commencement marked the fourth generation of Foss women graduating from Valley City State University.

Jessica Walker of Valley City graduated on the 112th commencement this spring. Her mother, Marcia Foss, graduated from VCSU in 1972; her grandmother, Geraldine Foss, graduated in 1941; and her great grandmother, Clara Bunkowski, completed her rural course program in 1915.

But the Foss family involvement reaches deeper yet. The Foss Music Hall on the VCSU campus was named for Jessica's great grandfather, P.L. "Polly" Foss, the chair of the Senate Appropriations Committee at the time the legislature approved the building. Geraldine Foss provides for two scholarships: P.L. Foss Music, and Cal Foss Memorial. Finally, Marcia Foss is completing her 26th year of service at VCSU where she serves as the Director of Career Services.

"All of our students have a special place in my heart," Marcia

Foss said. "It's been a great place to work for 26 years."

Other members of the Foss family who have graduated from VCSU include Jessica Walker's brother, Cameron Walker (2002), her father David Walker (1971), her uncle Tom Rowekamp (1972), her aunt Cheryl Foss Rowekamp (1968), and her cousins Kraig Rowekamp (1996) and Kristi Rowekamp (2000).

"It's a thrill for me to have seen so many of my children and grandchildren go through VCSU and into their professions," Geraldine Foss said. "It's a great school - it was a great school when I went through, and it's a great school now."

"Every graduation is a special time," Marcia Foss said, "And this year with my daughter graduating is even more special."

Jessica has been accepted into the master's program at Minnesota State University-Mankato in school counseling, and she will work as a Graduate Assistant in the First Year Experience Program.

2004-2005 Season of Great Theater

October 20-23, 2004

"See How They Run"

A comedy by Philip King - Vangstad Auditorium

December 1-4, 2004

"The Women of Lockerbie"

A new play by Deborah Brevoort - Theater 320

March 2-5, 2005

"Romeo and Juliet"

by William Shakespeare - Vangstad Auditorium

April 27-30, 2005

"A Festival of One-Act Plays"

Theatre 320



For ticket information call the box office at 1-800-532-8641 ext. 37320

2004-2005 Season of Great Music



October 16, 2004
Honor Band Concert
City Auditorium

December 11, 2004
EBC Christmas Hit Parade
Vangstad Auditorium

November 4, 2004
VCSU Jazz Ensemble
Student Center Cafeteria

February 13, 2005
VCSU Faculty Recital
Froemke Auditorium

November 20, 2004
VCSU Singers & Chamber
Ensembles
Froemke Auditorium

April 17, 2005
VCSU Singers & Chamber
Ensemble
Froemke Auditorium

December 4, 2004
VCSU Concert Band &
Jazz Ensemble
Vangstad Auditorium

April 21, 2005
VCSU Jazz Ensemble
Student Center Cafeteria

December 6, 2004
Valley Voices & Valley City
Orchestra
Froemke Auditorium

April 24, 2005
Valley Voices & Valley City
Orchestra
Froemke Auditorium

December 9, 2004
VCSU Choir
Magnificat St. Catherine's

April 30, 2005
VCSU Concert Band & Choir
Vangstad Auditorium



For ticket information contact the Music Dept. at 1-800-532-8641 ext. 37272

VCSU Foundation Corner

Larry Robinson, Director of Advancement

Building On Momentum VCSU's Annual Fund

By the time you read this article, we will have completed another fiscal year here on the campus. The university budget cycle is based on a fiscal year time period, July 1st through June 30th. We close out our books for the old fiscal year on June 30th and begin the process all over on July 1st.

Our office has the primary responsibility of generating the private support for the university. With state general fund support for higher education remaining relatively flat once inflation is taken into consideration, private support is becoming increasingly important each and every year. Our staff works diligently to raise scholarship dollars through our Century Club Membership drive (athletic) and the V-500 (general purpose) Scholarship Fund drive. We make contact with our Alumni each winter during our annual Phone-A-Thon. These dollars support alumni scholarships, publication of *The Bulletin*, alumni reunions, and recognition programs.

Additionally, we are fortunate to have a number of "Friends" — groups who work to generate dollars for their particular causes. These groups include the Friends of Music, Friends of the Library, Friends of the Planetarium, Friends of the Medicine Wheel, Friends of Business, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the President's House Preservation

Society. There are also opportunities to support campus-wide initiatives including the Campus Beautification Fund. Clearly, the future vitality of VCSU depends on the success of our various private giving programs and initiatives.

Each publication of *The Bulletin* includes a pre-addressed and postage-paid envelope providing a convenient way for you to request information on a host of planned giving opportunities at the university. In addition, the envelope provides you an opportunity to return a contribution to the university to help support one of our many important giving programs. Noteworthy among the list of choices is a giving option entitled *Where needed most*. This option is exactly what it says. Dollars earmarked to this area are used for compelling investments that help position the university, the scholarship funds, and other key initiatives for success.

Effective July 2004, we will initiate a new appeal called "*The Annual Fund*." Dollars generated by this special appeal will be used for purposes that have the highest leverage value for the future of students and the university.

The Phone-A-Thon will continue to be an important part of our Annual Fund campaign. However, the campaign will also include direct mail, personal and web-based solicitation, and

a number of other means. The annual fund concept is not new to higher education and other charitable organizations. The Annual Fund is an opportunity to greatly expand an already successful Phone-A-Thon, and to complement other fund raising initiatives on the campus.

The Annual Fund will allow us to build on success. Valley City State University continues to be an outstanding university. Our rich tradition is as much a part of our future as our past! This university has been blessed over the years by a long list of extremely dedicated and talented faculty and staff members. These are the folks who are largely responsible for building this great university. Those of us who are fortunate enough to serve on the faculty and staff today are building on that legacy.

Last fall, for the sixth consecutive year, *U.S. News and World Report* named Valley City State University as one of the *Top Three Comprehensive Colleges in the Midwest*. We are proud of this honor and we are committed to even higher levels of success and achievement. Our record of success and accomplishment is no accident. The momentum we have established is the direct result of outstanding leadership from President Chaffee and the tireless dedication of our faculty and staff.

Our success is also a result of the



Larry Robinson '71
Director of Advancement

tremendous support that we have received from you, our alumni and friends. That support has been very important in the past. It will be even more important in the future. We hope you will join other alumni and friends of the university to support our Annual Fund. The momentum at VCSU is real. We are on the right path for continued success and growth, but it is vital that we remain focused on continued growth and improvement. In today's competitive marketplace, success requires adequate financial resources. That is precisely why the Annual Fund is of such importance.

We look forward to visiting with you in the weeks and months ahead. Should your travels bring you this way, stop by for a cup of coffee. We would welcome the opportunity to see you and catch up on happenings in your career and your life. Thank you for your past support and thank you for being such an important part of our university family. Enjoy the summer months and come visit us soon.

VCSU student satisfaction increases from "Great" to "Even Better"

Students continue to give VCSU high marks. Academic excellence, individual attention and campus life

VCSU recently received more great news concerning how satisfied our students are with their experience at VCSU!

You may recall that in 2002 VCSU received the results of a student satisfaction survey commissioned by the North Dakota University System and conducted by Noel-Levitz, a nationally recognized consulting firm specializing in higher education issues. The results of that survey showed that VCSU students were significantly more satisfied than average for students at other four-year colleges both in

the state and nationwide.

The news is that we recently received the results of the 2004 Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory, and once again, VCSU has tremendous reason to be very proud.

The survey covers 11 areas of satisfaction and asks students to rate both the importance of each area and their level of satisfaction. In all of the 11 areas, VCSU students reported greater satisfaction than either state or national group means. Some of the areas in which VCSU students showed the greatest

satisfaction included student centeredness, campus support services, academic advising, and academic effectiveness.

Glen Schmalz, VCSU Vice President of Student Affairs, said, "These are great results, but I'm particularly proud that the areas that received the lowest satisfaction ratings in 2002 were the areas that showed the greatest improvement on the latest survey. This clearly shows that our on-going efforts to increase satisfaction are generating results that keep us moving in the right direction."

**James named VCSU
Director of Library Services**



Donna James '73 has been named Director of Library Services at VCSU. She replaces Darryl Podoll who recently retired.

Remembering our Troops:

VCSU Student Soldiers

Clay Broadwell

James Jorissen

Amber Triebold

Ashley Enger

Lindsay Becker

Brady Lyson

Christopher Church

Courtney King

Jon Person

VCSU Faculty

Joan Aus

Do you know prospective students who should consider enrolling at VCSU?

As future students consider their educational alternatives, they often look to family and friends for their insight. At VCSU, our incoming students frequently tell us that they were influenced by our alumni. If you know of any students who are considering enrolling at a four-year liberal arts facility, tell them about VCSU!

Or, tell us about them, and VCSU Enrollment Services will contact them!

Please clip and return to Enrollment Services, Valley City State University, 101 College Street SW, Valley City, ND 58072. Or call 800-532-8641 ext. 37101.

Prospective Student: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Tel: _____ E-Mail: _____

Date of Birth (if known): _____

Referred By: _____ VCSU Class of: _____

Viking Scramble and Dacotah Bank Viking Shootout took place in Valley City

The 10th Annual Viking Scramble and the 1st Annual Dacotah Bank Viking Shootout took place June 5, 2004 in Valley City. The Dacotah Bank Shootout featured 10 golfers beginning on tee one with one golfer eliminated at each hole. Jim Retterath and Ralph Hooper were the final two entrants remaining through eight holes. Both Retterath and Hooper took par on the final hole and elected to declare a tie rather than play off.

On a sunny Saturday afternoon 169 golfers took part in the 10th Viking Scramble. The 5-person scramble is played at both the Valley City Country Club and Bjornson Park.

The five-some of Steve Kelley, Chad Ross, Steve Walker, Doug Krall and Mike Ross took home the championship with an 18-hole score of 58. The proceeds from the Viking Scramble and Dacotah Bank Viking Shootout go directly to support athletic scholarships at the university.

Dacotah Bank Viking Shootout

Jim Retterath and Ralph Hooper share the title

10th Annual Viking Scramble

Grid Iron Division

1st Place – Jeremy Peschel, Jay O'Connor, Tom Tamlyn, Elliot Belquist and Ace Anderson

2nd Place – Joe Peterson, Jim Breckheimer, Andy Warcken and Ross Hoaglund

3rd Place – Bruce Nelson, Rob Keller, Scott Roehrich and Aaron Kramlich

Coed/Women/Old Pro Division

1st Place – Al Cruchet, Giesela Cruchet, Dave Trapp, Patty Trapp and Jeff Johnsen

2nd Place – Joni Bergan, Peg Person, Deb Huether, Molly Anderson and Kelley Utt

3rd Place – John Hill, Diane Hill, Glen Schmalz, Sharon Schmalz and Kurry Delparte

Open 2 Division

1st Place – Wally Bjerke, Dave Malsam, Floyd Boschee, Dempsey Rein and Steve McMonagle

2nd Place – Lowell Peterson, Leo Morgan, Jack Moore, Woody Wendt, Jack Eagan

3rd Place – Terry Dunphy, Joe Lunde, Phil Mueller, Tom Langemo

Open One Division

1st Place – Bob Lemnus, Jim Dew, Tyler Schlecht and Pat Horner

2nd Place – Rudy Hanson, Ryan Hanson, Jerry Srur, Reed Hanson and Richard Elkins

3rd Place – Doug Schindele, Mark Sand and Cory Anderson

Bauer Championship Division

1st Place – Steve Kelley, Chad Ross, Mike Ross, Doug Krall and Steve Walker

2nd Place – Dave Bjornson, Kerry Anderson, Jim Retterath, Stan Johnson and Ralph Hooper

3rd Place – Dick Gulmon, Jan Beauchman, Jim Mellon, Dick Heidt, and Bill Altringer



Country Club contests:

- #1 Men and women's closest to the line - Jack Moore
- #2 Women's closest to the pin - Sharon Schmalz
- #3 Men and women's longest putt made - Doug Schindele
- #4 Women's closest to the pin on second shot - no winner
- #5 Men and women's closest to the line - Elliot Belquist
- #6 Men's closest to the pin - Stan Johnson
- #7 Men's longest drive - Stan Johnson
- #8 Men's closest to the pin on second shot - Terry Moser
- #9 Women's longest drive - Molly Anderson

Bjornson Park contests:

- #1 Men and women's closest to the pin on second shot - Wally Bjerker
- #2 Women's closest to the pin - Peg Person
- #3 Men's longest drive - Aaron Kramlich
- #4 Men's closest to the pin - Scott Roehrich
- #5 Men and women's closest to the pin on second shot - Gregg Horner
- #6 Men and women longest putt - John Hill
- #7 Men's closest to the pin on second shot - Tom Smargiassi
- #8 Women's longest drive - Peg Person
- #9 Men and women's longest putt - Tom Smargiassi



Viking Schedules

2004-2005



Games in **bold** are home games

Viking Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 1	Si Tanka University at Huron	7:00pm
Sept. 3-4	Peru University Tournament	TBA
Sept. 8	Southwest MN State University	5:30pm
Sept. 15	Mayville State University	7:00pm
Sept. 17-18	Concordia Tournament	TBA
Sept. 22	Jamestown College	7:00pm
Oct. 2	University of Mary	7:00pm
Oct. 6	Si Tanka University at Huron	7:00pm
Oct. 15	South Dakota Tech	7:00pm
Oct. 16	Black Hills State University	3:00pm
Oct. 19	Presentation Triangular	4 & 6pm
Oct. 20	Mayville State University	7:00pm
Oct. 23	Dakota State University	7:00pm
Oct. 27	Jamestown College	7:00pm
Oct. 29	Dickinson State University	7:00pm
Oct. 30	Minot State University	7:00pm
Nov. 3	Dakota State University	7:00pm
Nov. 6	DAC-10 First Round	TBA
Nov. 10	DAC-10 Semifinals	TBA
Nov. 13	DAC-10 Conference Championship	TBA

Viking Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 11	Black Hills State University	1:00pm
Sept. 18	Jamestown College	1:30pm
Sept. 25	Si Tanka University at Huron	1:30pm
Oct. 2	Dickinson State University	1:30pm
Oct. 9	Mayville State University (Homecoming)	1:30pm
Oct. 16	South Dakota Tech	1:00pm (MST)
Oct. 23	University of Mary	1:30pm
Oct. 30	Minot State University	1:30pm
Nov. 6	Dakota State University	1:30pm
Nov. 12	Azusa Pacific University	7:00pm (PST)
Nov. 20	NAIA First Round	TBA
Nov. 27	NAIA Quarterfinals	TBA
Dec. 4	NAIA Semifinals	TBA
Dec. 18	NAIA National Championship	TBA
	Jim Carroll Stadium	
	Hardin County, TN	

Viking Women's Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 2	Trinity Bible College	5:30pm
Nov. 6	University of Sioux Falls	6:00pm
Nov. 9	Dakota Wesleyan University	5:30pm
Nov. 14	Mount Marty College	4:00pm
Nov. 24	MN State University-Moorhead	6:00pm
Nov. 29	University of Minnesota-Morris	7:00pm
Dec. 3	Black Hills State University	5:30pm
Dec. 4	South Dakota Tech	3:00pm
Dec. 10	Dakota State University	5:30pm
Dec. 11	Si Tanka University at Huron	3:00pm
Dec. 17	Jamestown College	5:30pm
Dec. 18	University of Mary	3:00pm
Dec. 29	Presentation College	5:30pm
Jan. 3	University of Minnesota-Morris	5:30pm
Jan. 7	Dickinson State University	5:30pm (MST)
Jan. 8	Minot State University	3:00pm
Jan. 13	Mayville State University	5:30pm
Jan. 15	North Dakota State University	7:00pm
Jan. 21	Dakota State University	5:30pm
Jan. 22	Si Tanka University at Huron	3:00pm
Jan. 28	University of Mary	5:30pm
Jan. 29	Jamestown College	3:00pm
Feb. 4	Minot State University	5:30pm
Feb. 5	Dickinson State University	3:00pm
Feb. 10	Mayville State University	5:30pm
Feb. 18	South Dakota Tech	5:30pm (MST)
Feb. 18	Black Hills State University	7:00pm
Feb. 19	Black Hills State University	7:00pm
Feb. 22	DAC-10 Play-offs	
Feb. 25	DAC-10 Semifinals and Finals	
Feb. 28	DAC-10 Finals	
Mar. 9-15	NAIA National Tourney	

Viking Men's Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Oct. 30	University of Great Falls	7:30pm
Nov. 2	Trinity Bible College	7:30pm
Nov. 9	Dakota Wesleyan University	7:30pm
Nov. 12	Montana State University-Northern	7:30pm
Nov. 19	Presentation College	7:30pm
Nov. 20	University of Minnesota-Morris	5:30pm
Nov. 23	MN State University-Moorhead	7:30pm
Nov. 27	U of Minnesota - Crookston	7:30pm
Dec. 3	Black Hills State University	7:30pm
Dec. 4	South Dakota Tech	5:00pm
Dec. 10	Dakota State University	7:30pm
Dec. 11	Si Tanka University at Huron	5:00pm
Dec. 17	Jamestown College	7:30pm
Dec. 18	University of Mary	5:00pm
Dec. 29	Presentation College	7:30pm
Jan. 3	University of Minnesota-Morris	7:00pm
Jan. 7	Dickinson State University	7:30pm
Jan. 8	Minot State University	5:00pm
Jan. 13	Mayville State University	7:30pm
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Feb. 4	Minot State University	7:30pm
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Viking Highlights



Valley City State names 2004 Hall of Fame inductees

Three athletes and the 1988 football team constitute the 2004 class entering the Viking Hall of Fame at Valley City State University. Scheduled for induction at the Valley City State University Hall of Fame dinner and ceremony during Homecoming week on Friday, October 8th are Tyler Schlecht '91, Jody Schwab Johnson '89 and John Overbey, in addition to the 1988 football team.

The induction dinner and ceremony will be held on Friday, October 8th, at the Valley City Eagles with a social at 6:00 PM and the dinner at 7:00 PM. Tickets must be purchased or reserved in advance by contacting the Osmon Fieldhouse at 845-7160 or toll free 1-800-532-8641, ext. 37160 by October 4.



Tyler Schlecht '91 of Enderlin, ND

Tyler was a four-year letterwinner in football. Named All-Conference in 1987 and 1988, All-District in 1987 and 1988, he was also named All-American Honorable Mention in 1987. Tyler holds the record for the most season pass receptions (61) in 1988, career punt returns yards (304) and the most single game receptions (12) in 1988. Also a four-year letterwinner in baseball, Tyler was named All-Conference in 1986, 1987, 1988, and 1989; All-District Honorable Mention in 1986; and All-District in 1987, 1988 and 1989; and the NDCAC Most Valuable Graduating Senior in 1989. Tyler holds the record for most career hits (199), most career doubles (41), single season steals (40) in 1987, most career steals (119), single season walks (40), career walks (137), season runs (59), and career runs (180). Tyler was a member of the 1987 conference championship team, the NDCAC tourney champs and district champs.



Jody Schwab Johnson '89 of Valley City, ND

Jody was a four-year letterwinner in basketball. She was named All WACND in 1987, 1988 and 1989 and All District in 1988. Jody ranks third in career scoring (1382) and holds the best three-point field goal percentage (43.5%).



John Overbey of Upper Marlboro, MD

John was a four-year letterwinner in football from 1976-79. He was named Honorable Mention All Conference in 1976, 1977 and 1978; All Conference in 1979 and Top Offensive Player in 1979. John holds the record for most career rushing yards (3332), career rushing attempts (652), career rushing touchdowns (25), career rushing yards/game (90.1) and most yards rushing in a single game (286). John was a member of the 1976, 1977 and 1978 conference championship teams.



1988 Football Team

The 1988 football team was the conference champion with a record of 7-3. Members of the team were: Cory Anderson, Pete Anderson, Vance Avera, Daron Bieri, Joel Bladow, Jim Breckheimer, Thomas Brogden, Allen Burgad, Chad Clemenson, Brian Dahl, Torsten Daniels, Larry Delmaire, Mike Dobida, Mark Dufner, Scott Eckman, Thad Engberg, Anthony Fast, Steven Fike, Joe Garcia, Matt Gilbertson, Tom Gilbertson, Eddie Grant, Gene Gregory, Don Guenther, Brian Hall,

Bryan Haugen, Greg Hoeckle, Gregg Horner, Tyrone Johnson, Jim Jones, Lloyd Joseph, Terry Kadrmas, Brent Keith, Robbie Keller, Pat Klubben, Don Lennon, Mario Linarte, Don Lingen, Darin Loe, Rich Loomis, John Lopez, Craig Marchetti, Tom Neaton, Bruce Nelson, Paul Olson, John Olstad, Joseph Peterson, Dana Pikarski, Steve Quinn, Pat Richter, Terry Robinson, Scott Roehrich, Frank Rojas, Mike Samson, Tyler Schlecht, Kyle Smith, Bret Sorenson, Mike Sprecher, Mark Tichowsky, Brad Townsend, Mark Ukestad, Scott Wagner, Doug Wendel, Andy Wenzel, Andy Williams, Dave Winarski, and Bryan Zahn. The team was coached by Jim Dew. Assistant coaches were Pete Hausrath, Jerry Areshenko and Dave Rausch. Student coaches were Kevin Grage, Rod Mack, Pete Leno and Marty Hochhalter. Team managers were Tom Kessler and Larry Gray. Trainers were Kelley Peterson and Kelley Utt. Statistician was Patty Flaagan Sandoval.

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and is currently the Chair of the Friends of the CEA Special Interest Group.

Jeanette has been a member of the Correctional Education Association since 1979. She was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Correctional Education Association in 2004. This award honors an individual's longevity within the profession and their contributions towards leadership, vision, and professional excellence. Her extensive contributions to the field of correctional education were honored at the 59th International Conference in Baltimore, Maryland, on July 6th.

In addition, Jeanette has been inducted into the ND Association of Dance and Drill Hall of Fame,

named Regional and National Teacher of the Year by the National Correctional Education Association, has received the Heritage Award from the State of North Dakota, and received the Key Woman Award from the North Dakota Jaycees.

Jeanette was named the Outstanding Catechist from the Diocese of Bismarck in 1999 and was named Teacher of the Year from the Bismarck-Mandan Council of Exceptional Children in 2000.

Jeanette and her husband, Logan, have four children: William, Andrea, Heather and Holly and four grandchildren.

We'll be seeing you this fall in...

*Anchorage, AK
October*

*NDEA Conference
Bismarck, ND
October 21*

*Los Angeles, CA
November*

Watch you mail for information!

Endowments: A family affair

A solitary name on an endowment fund is, in fact, not solitary. Quite likely there are immediate family members and certainly a host of extended family members. By the time any of us finishes adding up the first, second and third uncles, aunts and cousins, we have a family circle well beyond our initial estimates.

What's more, most of these people would be interested to learn that somewhere there is an enduring endowment fund bearing the family name further. Most of these people know little, if anything, about the Valley City State University Foundation.

As a result, establishing an endowment has much more potential than simply a "local" fund that produces interest earnings for Valley City State University. It has the power to draw in new friends and supporters from across the country, especially those who will contribute to the "family" endowment.

Part of our commitment to you in helping to get your endowment fully established is to work with you in getting the word out to

your circle of family members. We explain why you created the endowment and what it will accomplish in honor of the entire family.

On a level closer to home, creating an endowment can be a means of involving immediate family members in the initial planning and funding process. Family meetings can bring into focus the workings and benefits of the endowment, and possibly plant the seeds of philanthropy in the minds of children and grandchildren.

Larry Robinson, Director of University Advancement, can assist you with each step of the process. You might even consider inviting him to talk about the endowment at a family gathering.

To arrange a visit with Larry and/or to obtain helpful literature on the Valley City State University Endowment Program, complete and mail the response form below. You can also call Larry at his toll-free number: 1-800-532-8641.

Clip & Mail

- Please send me free material on creating an endowment with Valley City State University. I understand this will not obligate me in any way.
- Please contact me about the possibility of a personal visit.

My number is: _____ and the best time to reach me is: _____.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Place the completed form in an envelope and mail to: Larry Robinson, Director of University Advancement;
Valley City State University; 101 College St. SW; Valley City, ND 58072

VCSU Recognition Dinner

May 17, 2004

Teacher of the Year



Award of Excellence



Retirees



10 & 15
Years

5
Years



25 Years



30 & 40
Years

The annual VCSU Recognition Dinner was held May 17. Individuals honored at the dinner included:

Teacher of the Year: Dr. Joe Stickler was honored as VCSU "Teacher of the Year."

Award of Excellence: President Ellen Chaffee (right) congratulates Monte Johnson, this year's recipient of the VCSU Employee Award of Excellence.

Retirees: Don Bauer and Dr. Gordon Hoff were honored at the VCSU Recognition Dinner upon their retirements. Darryl Podoll, Library Director, also retired and was honored at a reception on June 24th at the Allen Memorial Library (not pictured).

5 Years: Honored for five years of service to VCSU were (left to right) Jessica Nelson, Kari Stricklin and Donna James. Not pictured: Diane Olson and Ann Thoreson.

10 & 15 Years: Honored for ten years of service were Doug Hamilton (left) and Ellen Chaffee (center). Not pictured is Wayne Hammond. Honored for fifteen years of service was John Paulson (right). Not pictured for 15 years of service: Cory Anderson, Bonita Pickar and Ron Pommerer.

25 Years: Honored for twenty-five years of service: Monte Johnson, Kay Kringlie, Sharon McCarriar and Dave Melgaard. Not pictured: Marcia Foss, Diane Hill, and Glen Schmalz.

30 & 40 Years: Honored for forty years of service: Larry Grooters (left). Honored for thirty years of service: Bill Buck, Alice Beauchman and Joe McKenna. Not pictured: Jim Dew and Kathryn Holleque.

Weddings...

Matthew Johnson '94 married Shelly Stockert - 12-26-03

Karla Peter '93 married Douglas Olson - 12-27-03

Tracy Becker '03 married Timothy Winkelmann - 3-21-04

Chantal Molina '03 married Jasen Thiel '02 - 6-5-04

In Remembrance

- Kenneth Ensz '95, Enderlin
- Dorothy Sparks '55, Fort Worth, TX
- Hardine (Wergeland) Pratt, Grand Rapids, MI
- Janice (Peterson) Erfle '58, Carrington
- Mary (German) Lepp '74, Wahpeton
- Margaret (Scoville) Hoflen '36, Forman
- Leroy Imdieke '53, Tempe, AZ
- Ruth (Ochsner) Galster '40, Glenwood, MN
- Harley Hoff '69, Bismarck
- Kenneth Morris '46, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
- Jerome Sondag '62, Fargo
- Deloris (Headland) Williams '45, Jamestown
- John Eller '40, Bloomington, MN
- Randy Nelson '64, Paynesville, MN
- Arlene (Ginder) Kincaid '51, Citrus Heights, CA
- Agnes (Wozny) Cyzewski '24, Jamestown
- Barbara (Camas) Hoffman, Wheatland
- Marie (Sansburn) Olson, Sidney, MT
- Ruth (Sadek) Smith, Fargo
- Clifford Aahl '33, Puyallup, WA
- Rev. Erling Aaserud, Bridgewater, MI
- Alice (Berg) Ferguson '34, Hillsboro
- Gladys (Pfungsten) Wallace '49, Fessenden
- Paul Hedman '36, Portland, OR
- John Sinclair '51, Arcadia, CA
- Rodney Johnson, Fargo
- Marian (Monson) Lipke '39, Valley City
- Colleen (Schlosser) Flemmer, Grand Island, KS
- Eleanor (Johnson) Carpenter '59, Litchville
- Isabelle (Johnson) Fike '34, Chaseley
- Anna (Jordre) Rosendahl, Bismarck
- Matthew Edland '81, Fargo
- Evelyn (Hill) Sherman '37, Arthur
- George Morgan, Ottertail, MN
- Ralph Klein, Grand Forks
- Winnifrd Conroy '47, Lakota

Former VCSU Staff

Muriel Sandhei, Valley City

Your dreams come true

Have you ever dreamed about making a difference at Valley City State University? Would you like to establish an endowment that provides a continual flow of annual gifts to VCSU long after you are gone? Would you like to support a particular department or program? Would you like to erect a new building, or completely refurbish an older one such as Vangstad Auditorium? What is your dream? Would you like to make it come true?

Our University Advancement Office can help you realize your dream. We have available a wide variety of information on Planned Giving opportunities and programs for your consideration.

Perhaps you are interested in establishing an endowment program that will fund a scholarship in your name after you are gone. We can show you how you could provide a bequest and create a fund that will help you realize that dream. Maybe you would like to support a particular program at the university but you need the money to live on during retirement. If that is the case, perhaps a charitable trust is the planned giving tool that you should consider.

A charitable trust will allow you to make the gift now and retain a lifetime flow of income.

Whatever your dream, we would like to help you make it a reality at Valley City State University! Why not schedule a visit to share your dream with us and discuss the many planned giving opportunities that are available. Many of these tools have very attractive tax incentives. Our conversation will be kept completely confidential.

To receive free information about the many planned giving opportunities available, please use the handy response form below, or call us toll free at 1-800-532-8641.

CLIP AND MAIL

Dear Director of Planned Giving:

- Please send me your complimentary information on planned giving programs.
- I (we) already have a will and have included VCSU in our will/estate plans
- Please contact me on the phone. My number is:

and the best time to reach me is:

Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Place the completed form in an envelope and mail to:

Larry Robinson, Director of Advancement
Valley City State University
101 College Street SW
Valley City, ND 58072

VCSU Success Stories

Sue (Nelson) Patrick '76 was honored for excellence in teaching physical education at a statewide health education and services conference. Sue, who teaches physical education at Saratoga Elementary School in Saratoga, Wyoming, received an award for integrating an extra component in her curriculum and a second award for encouraging parent and community involvement in her subject.

Mary Ann Rolf '98 has been named the North Dakota Farm Bureau Educator of the Year for Stutsman County. An early childhood special education teacher with Buffalo Valley Special Education Unit, Mary Ann teaches at Gussner Elementary School in Jamestown, ND.

Kevin Trotter '98 of Lacey, WA, has been named the 2003 Special Commitment Center (SCC) Outstanding Employee by the Washington Department of Social and Health Services. His supervisors and coworkers frequently call on him to provide services that require confidentiality, tact and a firm grasp of program and politics. He can be relied upon to perform his duties and responsibilities on time, with independence. He is trustworthy, an excellent troubleshooter, has the highest integrity and is devoted to excellence. Kevin is a recognized and reliable "ambassador-at-large" and is a key troubleshooter for SCC.

Joan (Kapaun) Halland '77 of Kindred, ND, was named Regional Track Coach of the Year in 2002 and 2003; Regional One Act Play Director of the Year in 2003; and 2003 State Track Coach of the Year.

Craig Demester '94 of New Rockford, ND, was named Class B Boys' Basketball Coach of the Year in March 2004.

Alumni and Friends raise the bar at VCSU

Alumni and friends showed wonderful support of Valley City State University during our 2004 Phone-A-Thon drive. You are helping VCSU raise the bar. The dollars generated by this event fund a number of important projects and initiatives at the University. Included in this list is the publication of the *Bulletin*, Alumni recognition programs, scholarship support, reunions, events, office support, and much more. Larry Robinson, Director of University Advancement, noted, "The support we receive from our Alumni and Friends is a statement of their belief in Valley City State University. We are appreciative of that support. With state general fund spending for higher education remaining relatively flat once inflation is taken into consideration, private support is more important than ever."

Robinson also stated, "We are obviously very pleased with the tremendous response from our Alumni and Friends. We look forward to this event each year as an opportunity to visit directly with generations of students who are an important part of our VCSU family."

Although the Phone-A-Thon campaign has concluded, we still have approximately \$6,000 in outstanding pledges. These donations are still anticipated and are necessary to achieve an increased commitment to our students and university. Your strong support of the Phone-A-Thon helps grow the university, providing greater opportunities for students, faculty, staff and facilities.

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Division for the first time in university history.

"I am extremely proud to be part of the VCSU family. The excitement and enthusiasm I have encountered on campus and in the community give me a great feeling," Peters commented.

Peters also stated the commitment to Viking Athletics is prevailing. "I spent extensive time with President Chaffee and the coaches during the interview process and I was impressed. The passion for the university and the athletic program that I encountered was the deciding factor in my decision."

Peters and his wife, Jennifer, have two daughters, Haley and Ally. They are all excited about their move to Valley City.

VCSU seniors develop propane tracking system for Dakota Plains Corporation

Two college seniors from Valley City State University (Valley City, ND) developed a key software application for Dakota Plains Corporation (a Cenex dealer) that the company uses to manage its operations more effectively.

The seniors, Clint Johnson (Hazen, ND) and Brett Christiansen (Glenfield, ND) developed the system in conjunction with their senior capstone project in computer information systems. These projects are an opportunity for students to apply the accumulation of all the knowledge they have acquired throughout their VCSU education on a real-life project using a collaborative, team-oriented approach. Other organizations for which VCSU students have conducted similar projects include the Valley City Parks and Recreation Department and various other individual businesses in Valley City. Rick Ross, the Chair of the VCSU Business Division, said, "These organizations in our community support our capstone projects as part of real life experience for our students."

Johnson and Christiansen began their project in December of 2003 by applying a model of systems design they learned at VCSU. The project included an analysis of systems already in place, a needs analysis to determine new system requirements, a rough system design, final system design, testing and implementation. The system uses PHP programming to provide a web-based interface to an Access database.

The system tracks important information on the company's propane customers, their propane tanks and equipment. This information includes the description and location of customer tanks, the documentation of all service work performed on the tank and the propane system, and the age of pressure regulators. The program also includes alerts that automatically bring up dates that regulators would need to be replaced based on age, when the system pressure tests would need to be performed, and anniversaries of tank leases.

Mark Becker, Petroleum Specialist with Dakota Plains Corporation, said, "With this propane tracking program, we can do a much more professional job of managing our propane business, which will save our company money. I enjoyed working with these young men and would thoroughly recommend their abilities and services."

Vikings on the Move

1920's

Marguerite (Flahaven) De Groot '27 taught in North Dakota and Montana before moving to California where she taught for 30 years. She is now living in Newport Beach, CA, with her daughter.

1940's

Marian (Dick) Sibley enjoys The Bulletin and reading news of people from her era! She and her husband, Richard, enjoy summer gardening, traveling and spending time with family and friends. Their pharmacy keeps them healthy and active.

Ada (Krenz) Weber '42 celebrated her 84th birthday in March. Her husband of 59 years died last year.

Esther (Haugaard) Lee '47 has three children and six grandchildren. She keeps busy in many church activities, volunteers at the hospital, and participates in Thursday music club.

Eleanor (Miller) Peterson '47 and her husband, Lynn, had the privilege of spending two months with their daughter, Lori and her husband, Bill, in Nairobi, Kenya, where they both teach at Pan African Christian College.

Glendon Kriese values Valley City State as this is where he began his college career when the U.S. Navy transferred him from Destroyer Escort Pacific duties to the WWII "war time ROTC" V-12 unit. Glendon continued with his education and earned a masters degree. He remained in education for over a quarter of a century.

1950's

Leona (Geiszler) Schober '50 continues to live in the home they bought in West Fargo in 1975. Her husband died in 2001. Leona has traveled to many family activities.

Donald R. Frost '50 is fully retired from education after 52 years in the field. He and his wife, Joanne, enjoy traveling and having their grandchildren close. Donald's memories at VCSU are happy ones and sends many thanks to the instructors and fellow students who made the experiences joyful ones.

David and Jane (Sheldon) Knecht '51 continue to enjoy six months in Fargo and six months in Minnesota volunteering, attending family gatherings, gardening, woodworking and reading. They also enjoy being with their seven children and nine grandchildren.

Jens Jorgensen '51 retired ten years ago from 3M. He and his wife, Anne, don't like the cold so they spend nine months in Fort Myers, FL, every year.

Gunnar & Ruth (Moellenkamp) Fog '52 traveled to China last fall. Gunnar went to Kenya, Africa, with a mission team. They build, remodel buildings and make furniture for orphanages for Kids Alive International which specializes in Christian care for children worldwide.

J. Bradley Hanna '52 retired from teaching in 1988. His wife, Agnes, died in 1992. Brad has co-authored several widely used mathematics textbooks. He now delivers flowers part time for his daughter who owns a floral shop. He has one daughter and three grandchildren.

Colleen "Coke" (Erickson) Aafedt '52 enjoyed a wonderful trip to South America. They visited Chile, Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay. The Aafedts took a cruise in April. They spend their winters in Arizona and summers in North Dakota.

Barbara (Langdahl) Gilbertson '54 is enjoying retirement. She

and her husband, Russ, spend their winters in Harlingen, TX, and summer at their home at Golden Lake.

Nancy (Emery) Peterson '55 retired after almost 30 years as an English teacher. She and her husband, Boyd, live at Trilogy, a new planned community near Seattle. Her volunteer focus this year is developing an ESL talk time in her church

John and Genevieve (Johnson) Richardson '55 will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary this year. The ceremony in Minnesota will take place at Riverside United Methodist Church in Park Rapids on Saturday, August 14. All VCSU grads who know John and Genevieve are invited.

Marlow Gudmundson '55 retired in 1995 after 42 years of teaching and coaching. He is now selling real estate to keep busy but also finds time to play golf and travel.

Eugene "Whitey" '56 and Lois (Gilbert) '57 Larsen are enjoying retirement – very much! They do a lot of traveling and make it to North Dakota at least twice a year to visit family. They will be heading to Arizona in March for Mariners' spring training.

Dale '57 and Eileen (Olson) '56 Peterson enjoyed the VCSU reunion in Mesa, AZ, again this year.

Reynold Buchholz '57 and his wife, Janice, enjoy wintering in Lake Havasu City, AZ. In North Dakota, they are busy with their five children, their spouses, and their 15 grandkids ages 9-18.

Daryl Hornbacher '58 has been retired for 16 years and is an Arizona snowbird. This year he met friends he hadn't seen since 1958. Daryl really enjoys the VCSU get together in Mesa.

Willis and Syneva (Nordquist) Heupel '59 are both retired and enjoying their life. Willy was an elementary principal and Syneva was an upper grade teacher for many years. They have two children and three grandchildren who they enjoy very much.

Verna (Smith) Vollmer '59 lives on the family ranch near Wing, ND. She takes care of two great granddaughters two days a week and enjoys spending time with them. Verna's past time is spent sewing and quilting.

Ed Motl '59 and his wife, Marilyn, spend their winters in New Braunfels, TX, and enjoy seeing several VCSU grads in the area.

Robert '59 and Deanne (Roseth) Horne '60 live in Minot. Deanne continues part-time contract work at Minot Head Start. Bob retired from Verendrye Electric Co-op after 20 years as manager of the Minot office. Both Deanne and Bob taught at VCSU in the 1970's. Bob headed the alumni office/V-500 effort from 1974-1978 before being appointed by Governor Art Link as Director of ND Parks and Recreation Department. He then led the Cross Ranch project before going to Veredrye. Bob and Deane have three sons and six grandkids. The Hornes are enjoying travel in the U.S. and overseas and to visit their grandchildren in North Dakota, Kansas, Texas and Idaho.

1960's

Karen Flath-Olson '60 retired in 2001 after 28 years in the educational areas of elementary, Title I, Alternative High School, Community College, Special Education and administration. She now does some substitute teaching, volunteers, and assists

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her husband in their farming operation in northwestern North Dakota.

LaVonne (Rumer) Anderson '61 lives in Jamestown. She and her husband, Vernon, are both retired and enjoying travel and their ten grandchildren.

Shareen (Blixt) Noel '61 is a retired school counselor. She is active in her church choir and Deacons. Sherry enjoys her six delightful grandchildren.

Curt '62 and Lorna Olson reside in Homer, AK. Curt taught for two years in Watford City, ND, and then attended graduate school in Colorado. After Curt and Lorna married they moved to Anchorage, AK, and both taught for four years. They then started an insurance and securities business specializing in teachers' financial affairs. Curt and Lorna sold the business after 35 years and have enjoyed traveling around the world. Their three children are married and they have one grandchild. Curt will always cherish his four years at VCSTC.

Harvey Schilling '61 was elected the 2004 potentate for the El Zagal Shrine Center in Fargo. The El Zagal Shrine has 1,400 members in the southern half of ND and several counties in western MN.

Sonia (Anderson) Christensen '62 retired from teaching last May after 41 years in the classroom.

Jerry Estenson '62 is teaching at California State University, Sacramento, CA. He was just awarded tenure and promoted to full professor. Jerry's role models at VCSU caused him to change careers and become a teacher.

James '62 and Erna Sandness '65 retired from 38 years of public school teaching in 2000. Their first seven years of teaching found them in the inner city of Cleveland, OH, from 1962-

1969. For the next 30 years, they were employed by the Anoka-Hennepin District #11 in Anoka, MN. Erna primarily taught first grade and Jim in sixth grade and middle school. Retirement has been a superb experience for both Jim and Erna. Much time is spent loving their grandchildren. They have four grown children living in various parts of the United States. In their spare time, Jim and Erna are involved with volunteering at their church and other activities. When time avails, they like to work on their hobbies. Erna loves to quilt and Jim enjoys spending time in his woodshop. They both work out daily. Erna is a walker and Jim is a marathon runner. In short, their retirement has exceeded all expectations. They always look forward to the alumni gathering in Elk River, MN, each spring.

Mark Langemo '63 is the co-author of a new management book, *High-Performance Facilities Management*, published in April 2004 by Knight Printing Company. Mark and his wife, Diane, continue to reside in Grand Forks, ND.

Leila Whiting '63 retired in February, 2003, as a professional staff person with Education Minnesota. Her husband, Dick Grossman, retired from teaching in the Maplewood-North St. Paul-Oakwood School District in October. They are looking forward to a lot of good fishing and outdoor living when they get settled in their new home in Florida.

Adeline (Mattern) Pelster '63 has been semi-retired from AFLAC since January 2004 and is living at Mine Lake, west of Aberdeen, SD. She loves living by the lake and is enjoying her jet ski, pontoon boat and snowmobile. Adeline taught elementary and junior high school for 26 years. She has two children and four grandchildren plus foster kids.

Sharon (Naekel) Brekke '63 received her master's degree in Speech Pathology in 1973 from Minnesota State University Moorhead. She started the Speech and Hearing program in LaMoure Public School and went on to teach at Lisbon Public School for 23 years. Sharon retired three years ago and enjoys writing short stories, sewing, photography and traveling with her husband, Roger Brekke who is a rancher and farmer. They live in Lisbon but the ranch is south of Milnor. Sharon's daughter Lane is a financial manager in Fargo and her other daughter Amy is a lawyer in St. Cloud, MN. The Brekkes have two teenage granddaughters whom they enjoy very much.

Beverly (LaPlant) Kelly '63 retired two years ago and is having a great time traveling, following their grandchildren's sports and doing the crafts and gardening they weren't able to do while working.

Irene (Langdahl) Visby '63 still resides in her home near Hope, ND. She keeps busy watching her grandchildren participate in sports and other school activities. Irene substitute teaches in the Hope and Page schools.

Neil Dardis '64 retired after 35 years at Lakota Public School where he served as principal for 30 years. He presently manages the Rock Creek Golf Course in Lakota.

Jim '65 and Judy (Bass) '66 Belquist are returning to their roots, and are moving back to their hometown of New Rockford, ND. After 30+ years living in other states, the latest and longest being Colorado for the past 20 years, they have grown weary of city life and long for the tranquility of life in rural North Dakota. Jim is re-entering the work force after having been retired for 5 years from USWest, and has taken a job in economic

development for rural ND. Judy says this is the perfect job for him since he is already one of ND's best "cheerleaders"! He will also find plenty of time to hunt, fish, and play golf. Judy, who retired from teaching in 1995, will keep busy with theatre, writing, community and church activities. They look forward to spending time with their many relatives and friends in ND and the upper Midwest. It will also be fun to be close to VCSU so they can take in some basketball games, football games, and other activities at their alma mater.

Judy (Kirkeby) Dykema '66 and her husband, Henry, retired from Grant Public Schools in 2000. They spend their time traveling, fishing and gardening. Judy is also an avid quilter. Life is good!

Eunice (Howard) Rohde '66 retired in January 2004 after 27 years with the Postal Service. She is currently living in Apple Valley, MN.

Myna (Lindekugel) Peterson '67 is retiring from teaching and her husband, Alan, is retiring from pharmacy. They look forward to traveling in their fifth-wheel and seeing the USA. They will also have more time with their two sons and daughter-in-laws.

Susan (Solid) Anderson '67 is retired from teaching at New London-Spicer school district.

Joan (Leichtman) Heckaman '67 retired from teaching in May and is looking forward to new adventures.

Diane (Miller) Douba '68 and her husband, Larry, enjoyed a trip to Alaska to celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary. Diane teaches second grade in Apple Valley, MN.

Lynn (Neustel) Dewitz '69 is teaching high school art over

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interactive television for Great Western Network. She teaches from the studio in Steele, ND. Lynn and her husband, Rick, live on their farm near Tappen and raise Black Angus cattle.

Karen (Hansen) DeBoer '69 is looking forward to retirement in 2005 after 33 years of teaching, mostly in Big Lake, MN. She continues to enjoy all the great alumni activities!

1970's

Dennis Laumb '70 has been re-elected to a three-year term on the board of directors for AgCountry Credit Union. He has served on the board since 1997, representing the ND counties of Barnes, Cass, Stutsman, and Traill.

Constance (Hanson) Horsager '70 is officially retired from teaching. She keeps busy with volunteering, gardening, and quilting. After surviving some of life's tragedies, Connie enjoys and appreciates each precious moment.

Verna Moos '73 completed her 31st year of teaching at Pewitt ISD in Omaha/Naples, Texas, in the special education department. She has also worked at Northeast Texas Community College in Mt. Pleasant, TX, for 15 years.

Jean (Piper) Burton '73 is an Associate Professor of Library Science at West Chester University of PA.

Thomas Brown '74 has relocated to Salem, OR, and is employed as an auditor for the Oregon Department of Revenue's Tobacco Compliance Unit. The compliance unit is a party of a multi-agency task force formed to address non-compliance with Oregon's cigarette and other tobacco tax laws.

Boyd '75 and Kathy (Shape) '74 Sussex are in their 17th year of teaching and coaching in Milbank, SD. Boyd took their

basketball team to the SD state tournament last year finishing consolation champs. Their son, Jackson, was a senior on the team which made it extra special. Jackson was named to the All-State team. Jackson is presently a student at VCSU and a member of the Viking basketball team. It's great to be cheering for the Vikes again!

Al '75 and Nancy (Pederson) Sorensen '80 live in Valley City where Al is a junior high school guidance counselor and Nancy works for Meritcare VC Eyeclinic as an optician. Al and Nancy have been married for 29 years and have three daughters. Erin is a junior at VCSU, Krista a sophomore at VCHS and Alison is in 8th grade at VCHS. Following their daughters' activities and VCSU events fill the Sorensens' spare time.

Janet Simon '75 would love to hear from her "old" friends. Contact her at jsimon@clevehill.org.

Jerry Reinisch '76 and his wife, Laurie, live in Bismarck. Laurie works at Medcenter One ICU. Jerry is a biologist/environmental scientist with HPC, Inc and works as a paramedic some weekends. He recently completed a program to become a certified indoor environmentalist. Their children, Jared and Jenessa attend Mandan High School.

Bill Cody '77 owns and operates Printer Solutions, a laser printer supplies and service company. He has lived in West Fargo, ND, for 25 years. Bill has two children: Darek (7) and Megan (11).

Joan (Kapaun) Halland '77 has taught at Kindred Public School since 1979. She is also the junior high girls basketball coach and varsity boys' and girls' track coach. Joan also served as the one act play director for 15 years. Recent honors for Joan include 2002 and 2003 regional track coach of the year, 2003

regional one act play director of the year, and 2003 state track coach of the year. Joan's husband, Steve, is an electrician in Fargo. They have two children: Erin, a student at VCSU majoring in human resources and business management and Cole, a senior at Kindred High School.

Janis (Paulson) Wallender '77 continues to work as an elementary and middle school counselor for Beulah Public Schools. She and her husband, Brent, will experience life as empty nesters in the fall of 2004 as their three daughters will all be enrolled in college. Janis keeps busy with the American School Counselor Association as a board member and has enjoyed giving her presentation called "Gone Fishin'."

Robyn (Klauss) Samuelson '78 is living happily outside of Orlando, FL, with her two children, Morgan, age 10, and Mitchell, age 9. She is currently teaching elementary music at Partin Elementary School and entering her 25th year of teaching.

Dave Katzenmeyer '78 and his wife, Laurie, are teaching in Apple Valley, MN. Dave is completing his 25th year in education. His oldest son, Tark, is finishing his first year teaching band in the Edina school district. The Katzenmeyers have two little boys, Nick (3) and Daniel (2) that keep them hopping. They send best wishes to all VCSU alumni!

James McMillan '79 has recently finished a biography, *Ernest W. McFarland: United States Senate Majority Leader and Governor and Chief Justice of Arizona*, published by Sharlot Hall Museum Press of Prescott, Arizona.

1980's

Kay (Kracht) Metcalf '81 has been employed at the Open Door Center for 15 years. Kay and

her husband, Paul, have been involved in Boy Scouts for 16 years. They have three sons: Ryan (22), Cory (20) and Jason (17). Kay has also been involved with Special Olympics, Beta Sigma Phi – Alpha Zeta, and Farmers Union youth classes. The Metcalfs are the owners of "The MAiZE", a corn maze in Valley City since 2002. In 2004, "The MAiZE" will be open during September and October with a Lewis & Clark design.

Peggy MacKenzie '82 and her family are living in Peru. They previously lived in Chile where Peggy taught Business English. They are now getting acquainted with Peru's customs, people and beautiful landscapes. Peggy, her husband Terry, and their daughters Leah (12) and Hannah (9) truly enjoy living in South America.

Curry Mund '83 has been teaching and coaching basketball since graduating from VCSU. He has three sons, Adam (22), Matthew (20) and Mason (15).

Lyle and Becky (Herman) Kraft '84 just moved to Glenburn, a small town north of Minot. Becky and their four boys, Josh (senior), Tyler (sophomore), Jesse (2nd grade), and Timothy (1st grade), all go to school in Glenburn. After spending nine years at home raising their family, Becky started teaching kindergarten last year. After 20 years of active duty and 24 years of total military, Lyle has decided to retire. His family gave him a retirement party on the National Freedom Day, July 4th. He will be spending more time with the family and focusing on building their family internet business.

Laurel (Ploium) Westby '84 is in her 20th year of teaching, all at Sheyenne School. She is now teaching sixth grade which

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she is enjoying. Previously, she taught first and second grades. Laurel and her husband, Neil, have been attending more games this year as all their children are participating. Mallory is 16, Erin is 13 and Scott is 11.

Kari (Froeber) Phipps '85 and her family recently moved to Illinois after having lived in California for almost eight years. Their son, Benjamin, is 6 and in the first grade. Kari is taking a year off from teaching. Rex is Director of Biotechnology for IL Foundation Seeds.

Dan McGough '85 is currently deployed with HHC 141 in Iraq. He was promoted to Sergeant First Class in December 2003.

Renee (Gripentrog) Zach '87 lives on a farm near Rosholt, SD. She teaches Title I and elementary physical education at Rosholt Elementary. Her husband, Linus, farms. The Zachs have six children: Justin 18, Juliann 12, Sarah 10, Theresa 9, Jacob 7, and Paul 7. Their babies are in first grade and their oldest will graduate this spring. They have a busy household and are grateful for all of their blessings.

Joe Peterson participated in the 6th annual VCSU Ice Fishing Tournament at Big Pine Lake near Perham, MN. Previous locations were Lake of the Woods and Leech Lake. Next year it will be held the third weekend in January in the Devils Lake area. Past attendees have included Bruce Nelson, Bret Sorensen, Jim Breckheimer, Rob Keller, John Olstad, Thad Engberg, Don Lingen, Tom Kessler, Joel Bladon, Charlie Mackovsky, Mark Ukestad, Tom Neaton, Tom Smargiassi, and Rich Loomis. If interested in participating, contact Joe at jpeterson@beaconbank.com

Jim and Sharla (Huston) Fisher are doing great in Mesa, AZ. James teaches and coaches at Red Mountain High School

and Sharla is working in CT department at a local hospital. The Fishers have two children: Tate (5) and Joshua (17 months). They would love to hear from college friends!

1990's

Francisco "Paco" Rojas '91 is in his 14th year at Braddock High School, one of the largest high schools in Florida with 5,000 students. He is also in his 8th year as the head football coach. Paco is the only guidance counselor and head football coach in Miami, FL. He has sent nine players to VCSU in the past several years with three signing letters of intent this year.

Anessa Pfeifer '92 and Shawn Johnson moved into a new home in Bismarck. Anessa is teaching English, Theatre and Debate at Mandan High School and is busy raising four children: Morgan, Ian, Simon and Aiden.

Chad '93 and Kelly (Olson) Anderson '95 have relocated to the Phoenix area and would love to see some familiar faces! Chad is running a bank in Coolidge, AZ, and Kelly is teaching. They have three fantastic little men: Parker (8), Preston (6) and Pierce (4).

Rebecca Ust '93 completed her 11th year teaching at North Central of Barnes. She also assists with the 21st Century After School Club. In her spare time, Becky also works at the Eagles, rides bike, works at Bjornson Golf Course, teaches a health curriculum to ND educators, and plays co-ed softball. Becky sends greetings to all her VCSU friends.

Blair Sigfusson '94 will soon be opening his own restaurant in LaRiviere, Manitoba.

Heidi (Wolf) Reichart '94 is working on her master's degree in education. She is currently teaching 9th grade technology courses and 8th grade in Ankeny, IA.

Wayne and Angie (Mason) Triebold '95 reside in Puyallup, WA. Angie is working at Madigan Army Hospital I, the refractive surgery unit doing pre and post operation care on the LASIK patients. Wayne is working at Toray, a carbon fiber company. The Triebolds had their first baby on June 17, 2003. Their daughter's name is Anika.

Shawn Iverson '96 is pursuing his masters degree in general biology at Eastern Michigan University.

Susan (Rice) Stockert '96 is the Grants Compliance Officer/ Grants Accountant at Bismarck State University. She and her husband, Gary, were married in July 2002. Gary owns and operates a music recording studio, Rock Garden Recordings, in Mandan. Susan and Gary are very excited to announce that they welcomed their son, Chase, into the world on November 26, 2003.

Jessica (Herschman) Peterson '97 and her husband, Matthew, have a 1 year old son, Dylan. Jessica would love to hear from VCSU friends. She can be reached at JBVCND@aol.com.

Ross Powell '99 has joined Wells Fargo of Valley City as a personal banker.

Matt Streiff '98 and his wife, Nicole, have four children: two boys, Corbin (6) and Caleb (4) and two girls, Jaiden (2) and Jenna (2 months). They are building a new house since they outgrew their present home. Matt has been working for Edward Jones Investments in Kenai, AK, since the fall of 1998.

Deb (Gruman) Burchill '98 has been promoted to assistant vice president at Security State Bank of ND in Valley City. She has been with the bank since 1998 and is currently involved in all aspects of lending including

real estate, agricultural, consumer and commercial loans. Deb and her husband, Casey, live in rural Valley City with their four-year-old son.

2000's

Karla Aaland '00 has been named Executive Director of the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation which provides grants and scholarships to individuals, charities and nonprofit organizations in the area.

Sarah Sutter '01 has been named membership coordinator for the Home Builders Association of Fargo-Moorhead. She previously worked for the North Dakota Department of Commerce.

Jill (Legge) Swenson '02 was named March 2004 Employee of the Month by *The Forum*. As her nomination form states, Jill is a Systems Administrator in the IS Department. She is organized, determined and quick to respond and always wears a smile! Jill will go the extra mile in her work and volunteering for projects that impact the community.

Heather Curtis '03 has been promoted to management at Uno Chicago Grill in West Fargo.

Ryan Hoyt '03 has accepted a position as the Human Resources Coordinator for Menard's in Minot, ND.



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Jack '68 and Ellen (Steigberg) '71 Imdieke, Gary Rufsvold '68, Kathy (Heckman) '68, and Tom Langemo '68.



Kristina Bjorlin of Stockholm, Sweden, reunites with her college roommate, Carolyn (Spiekemeier) Utke '64.



Larry Robinson '71, Brian Griffin '69 (standing), Ron Holzworth '69, and Wayne Schoepach '62.



JoAnn (Hallsten) Haddican '61, Leo Schmidt '61, JoAnn (Banning) Schmidt '60, and Mike Haddican '63.



1960's VCSU graduates take time out during their campus tour to pose in front of Vangstad entrance.



Former VCSU nurse Connie Reed visits with Louise and Jay Morgan '69.

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