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# ALUMNI REVIEW

A Century of Alumni Tradition and Pride

January/February 1993

## Thompson leaves UND Foundation over \$1 million

The total of gifts made by the late Dr. Roger Thompson to the University of North Dakota exceed \$1 million. Dr. Thompson died in April of 1992. His gifts include the remainder of a charitable life income arrangement with the University of North Dakota Foundation involving highly appreciated real estate, which he gifted in 1990, and additional real estate holdings gifted testamentary.

Dr. Thompson's gifts have established the **Anton and Anna Thompson Memorial Endowment** within the UND Foundation to honor and remember his North Dakota pioneer mother and father.

"Dr. Roger Thompson had a deep appreciation for his pioneer parents and his North Dakota roots. He possessed the admirable character traits of the North Dakota pioneers. He was unselfish, loyal, friendly,



The late Dr. Roger Thompson

and felt a deep sense of responsibility and caring for others," Earl Strinden, executive vice president of the UND Foundation, said. "Dr. Thompson has made a beneficial impact on UND that will forever honor his mother and father."

Annual allocations from this endowment will, in perpetuity, honor and remember his (see THOMPSON, Page 16)

Students return from semester break



Grand Forks is experiencing a true North Dakota winter this year! UND students brave the cold, made sweeter by clear skies and piles of clean, white snow.

## Swenson's major gift to support scholarships and other needs at UND

Lowell, '47, and Marjorie Swenson, Thief River Falls, Minn., have made a major gift for a charitable remainder unitrust with the University of North Dakota Foundation.

The remainder of this unitrust, which was funded with more than \$840,000, will in the future fund the **Lowell and Marjorie Swenson Endowment** to support UND priority needs and provide scholarships for UND students from Thief River Falls and Northwestern Minnesota.

Earl Strinden, executive vice president of the UND Foundation, said, "Lowell and Marjorie Swenson are again reaching back in appreciation to provide quality educational opportunities to others. They remain uncommon in their loyalty to the University of North Dakota. This endowment will in future years motivate countless individuals to productive and fulfilling lives. This is truly an investment in the ongoing building of the University and in future leadership for our nation."

This gift, combined with previous generous contributions, makes Lowell and Marjorie Swenson the newest members of the UND Foundation William Budge Society, the giving club recognizing gifts greater than \$1 million.

Lowell T. Swenson was born in 1921, in Lancaster, Minn., and graduated from Lancaster High School. He attended UND from 1942 to 1943 before entering the U.S. Air Force, where he was a pilot and achieved the rank of major. Upon leaving the armed services, Lowell enrolled at the University of



Lowell and Marjorie Swenson with President Emeritus Tom Clifford, left, at a luncheon prior to the inauguration of UND President Kendall Baker.

Minnesota and graduated in 1947 with a bachelor of arts degree in business administration. That same year, he and Marjorie Hulme were married in Chisholm, Minn., her hometown.

They moved to Minneapolis, where Lowell became a certified public accountant for Arthur Andersen and Company of Minneapolis. In 1957, the Swensons moved to Grand Forks and Lowell became a partner in Homer Matheson Company. Marjorie became a part-time vocal instructor at UND.

In 1959, they moved to Thief River Falls and Lowell became general manager of the Dow-Key Company. He was also instrumental in the start-up of a snowmobile manufacturing company in Thief River Falls.

In 1965, he "put everything on the

line" to buy out the fledgling company and became president and chief executive officer of Arctic Enterprises, Inc. He led the company through years of substantial growth and enjoyed the satisfaction of seeing Arctic Cat snowmobiles become popular sporting vehicles in northern climates. The company went public and was listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

In 1977, he sold his interests in Arctic Enterprises, Inc., and retired from active management of the company. An aviation enthusiast, Lowell has helped

his sons establish a regional airline, Mesaba Airlines. Mesaba is a designated airline carrier with Northwest Airlines, serving numerous Midwestern cities.

In 1988, Lowell and Marjorie established an aviation scholarship endowment within the UND Foundation. Through the years, Lowell has had a special relationship with the University of North Dakota. He received the UND Alumni Association's highest honor, the Sioux Award, in 1972. From 1973 to 1982, he served on the UND Alumni Association and Foundation board of directors and was president of the UND Foundation for two years. He received an honorary degree from UND in 1991.

Lowell and Marjorie have four children: David, Alan, Robert and Philip; and nine grandchildren.

## UND news show named best in nation

Studio One, UND's student-produced morning news and information talk show, has been named the best college-produced news/public affairs/magazine show in the nation by the National Association of College Broadcasters.

More than 50 colleges and universities competed in the news/public affairs/magazine category, but when the credits rolled, UND's Studio One came out on top.

"It's been a long process to get there," Barry Brode, director of UND's Television Production Center which produces Studio One, said. "It's due to the fact you get 30 to 40 students who come in and work very hard every week to reach this vision that we have to go live nationally."

The award-winning show was a first for Studio One in another way, as well: it was the first time the program used a satellite interview live during a live program.

The award-winning program was produced by Maria Volk and directed by Harlan Moen. Both graduated from UND in 1992 and are working at television stations in North Dakota.

Studio One is a weekly, student-produced television show that cablecasts live to more than 18,000 area subscribers at 7 a.m. each Friday. The show is repeated several times Friday and Saturday, and is distributed regionally by tape. More than 300 hours go into each one hour show.

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Sioux hoopsters come on strong in NCC, Page 10



# UND alumni finish strong in recent elections

By Earl Strinden  
 Executive Vice President

Congratulations to Ed Schafer and other members of our UND alumni family who were elected to public office in November. Public service is a noble calling, and those who are willing to enter the "fray of an election contest" earn both our respect and our appreciation.

North Dakota's new governor, Ed Schafer, '69, United States Senator Byron Dorgan, '65, Earl Pomeroy, '75, '79, new member of the U.S. House of Representatives, and our other alumni who were elected are part of a proud UND tradition.

In the early days of statehood, UND alumni were in most of the high political offices and in leadership positions in the legislative and judicial branches of government. Some of these individuals remain, to this day, the most colorful individuals in the very unique and colorful political history of our state. As told by Louis G. Geiger in his excellent book, *University of the Northern Plains*, some left a lasting impression on this University. He wrote of Frazier and Lemke in the early 1900s being banned by the faculty and administration from Budge Hall for disciplinary reasons. Both graduated and became two of the most well-known polit-

ical figures in our state's history.

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 We are proud to say you, the loyal alumni and special friends, are going counter to the past year's experience of most charitable organizations in our nation. In spite of the much publicized economic problems, you made the 1991-92 year a very good one, and the first six months of the 1992-93 year are well ahead of a year ago. We are deeply appreciative.  
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## REPORT from CAMPUS



UND Foundation life income charitable arrangements are increasingly popular in personal financial planning. We want to be of assistance to you. With a minimal amount of information, we can provide individualized computations to fit any number of personal financial planning and estate planning possibilities. There is no obligation, no pressure, and all contacts are confidential.

Many satisfied donors have found they can escape or minimize capital gains taxes, increase their income, benefit from a charitable deduction, and have the good feeling of making a gift for the benefit of the University of North Dakota. Please drop us a note or use our toll-free number, 1-800-543-8764, and let us be of assistance as you look at your financial planning options.

## Alumni winners in statewide elections

### NORTH DAKOTA

- Governor:** Ed Schafer, '69
- U.S. Senate:** Byron Dorgan, '65
- U.S. House:** Earl Pomeroy, '75, '79
- Auditor:** Robert Peterson, '60
- Attorney General:** Heidi Heitkamp, '77
- Insurance Commissioner:** Glenn Pomeroy, '78, '82
- Agriculture Commissioner:** Sara Vogel, '67
- Public Service Commissioner:** Leo Reinbold, '62
- Supt. of Public Schools:** Wayne Sanstead, '74
- Supreme Court (10-year term):** William Neumann, '65
- Supreme Court (four-year term):** Dale Sandstrom, '75

### TEXAS

- U.S. House, Republican Caucus Chairman:** Richard Arme, '64

If you know of any UND graduates we have missed who were recently elected to state or national offices, please let us know. Call 1-800-543-8764 or write to the UND Alumni Association, c/o Earl Strinden, Box 8157 University Station, Grand Forks, ND, 58202.

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 Please look at the calendar of events in the *Alumni Review*. We hope to see you at a UND alumni on- or off-campus

event in 1993. Our nationwide schedule of alumni reunion events is set, and we also have some very attractive UND alumni tours planned for this year.

## 79 alumni volunteer as class chairmen for Annual Drive

The 1992-93 UND Annual Sustaining Fund Drive is well underway, and the response so far has been terrific.

We are pleased to introduce 72 more outstanding individuals who are representing their classes as chairmen for the 1992-93 Annual Sustaining Drive.

Your class representative has already made a commitment to UND, and they hope you will follow their lead. Watch for your letter, and if you haven't done so, use this opportunity to participate in the Annual Sustaining Drive.

A special "thank you" to those listed and also to the many alumni and friends who are not listed but continue to strengthen their ties to UND.

- 1921 and Prior:** Norma (Young) Gardner, Pebble Beach, Calif.
- 1922:** Frances (Collins) Ertresvaag, San Carlos, Calif.
- 1923:** Belle Thomas, Fargo
- 1924:** Alfred Ebenhahn, Santa Rosa, Calif.
- 1925:** Helen (McIntosh) Rogers, Yankton, S.D.
- 1926:** Mary (Swanston) Brunsdale, Delray Beach, Calif.
- 1927:** Myrtle (Stone) Kibler, Mountain View, Calif.
- 1928:** Richard Jarvis, Fargo
- 1929:** Ben Cecka, Bradenton, Fla.
- 1930:** Clifford "Scotty" Cranna, Grand Forks
- 1931:** Carl Wright, Jr., Ft. Myers, Fla.
- 1932:** Alvin Johnson, Grand Marais, Minn.
- 1933:** Betty Breakey Senechal, Laguna Hills, Calif.
- 1934:** Avery Eppler, Sr., Sun City West, Ariz.
- 1935:** Mary Lou Skinner Ross, Issaquah, Wash.
- 1936:** Bennie Bunas, Chicago
- 1937:** Willard "Web" Webster, Williston, N.D.
- 1938:** Lois (Van Camp) Saldin, Export, Pa.
- 1939:** Helen (Hulick) Besse,

- Lewisville, Texas
- 1940:** Verna (Shirk) Bidelman, Cleveland Heights, Ohio
- 1941:** Dorothy (Freegard) Johnson, Muscatine, Iowa
- 1942:** Elizabeth (Selke) Hensley, Columbia, Mo.
- 1943:** Ludwik Kulas, Grand Forks
- 1944:** George Ribaud, Asheville, N.C.
- 1945:** Barbara (Shaft) Faletti, Clarendon Hills, Ill.
- 1946:** Douglas MacDonald, Novato, Calif.
- 1947:** Martin Conmy, Yakima, Wash.
- 1948:** Gordon Kroeber, Grand Forks
- 1949:** Harold Severson, Fargo
- 1950:** Stanley Hoistad, Grand Forks
- 1951:** Marian (Olson) Becker, Fairbault, Minn.
- 1952:** Herbert Claffy, Milaca, Minn.
- 1953:** Joseph Wrigley, Louisville, Ky.
- 1954:** Jackie (Larson) Adamsen, Grafton, N.D.
- 1955:** Mary Ann (Fenelon) Sagehorn, Wayzata, Minn.
- 1956:** Mary (Shannon) Hoger, Ft. Worth, Texas
- 1957:** William O'Toole, Grand Forks
- 1958:** Jay and Janice (Meisner) Schultz, Bismarck
- 1959:** Kathleen (Poole) Fischer, Littleton, Colo.
- 1960:** Dorothy (Prosser) Westlund, Grand Forks
- 1961:** Donald Ehreth, Westlake, Ohio
- 1962:** Robert Helland, Rice, Minn.
- 1963:** David Peterson, Anoka, Minn.
- 1964:** Mary (Guloien) Davis, Atlanta
- 1965:** Donna (Jardine) DeMars, Lake Park, Minn.
- 1966:** Aldis Adamson, Columbia, Mo.
- 1967:** Connie (Hill) Adamson, Columbia, Mo.
- 1968:** C. Richard and Janet (Bakkegard) Brammell, Fargo,
- 1969:** John Crystal, Sugar Land, Texas

## 1992-93 Board of Directors



The UND Alumni Association and Foundation Board of Directors met during Homecoming 92. Pictured from the left, SITTING: Robert Henry, R. Douglas Larsen, Darold Rath, Shirley (Blanchard) Colgrove, UND Foundation President Jan (Holmquist) Erie, UND Alumni Association President Walt Swingen, Wally Griffin, Tom Davidson, Gary Marsden, Bob Heskin; STANDING: Don Flint, Don Loopp, John Marshall, Gordon Caldis, Executive Vice President Earl Strinden, Rich Becker, Larry Martin, Morris Tschider, and Donn Osmon.

- 1970:** Don Mathsen, Grand Forks
- 1971:** Rayton Nies, Sanford, Mich.
- 1972:** Paul and Terri (Bushaw) Clark, Grand Forks
- 1973:** Steven Bensen, Mayville, N.D.
- 1974:** Keith Ronkowski, Grand Forks
- 1975:** Dr. Charles Bridgeford, Grand Forks
- 1976:** Ronald Becker, Eagan, Minn.
- 1977:** Douglas Taylor, Pembina, N.D.
- 1978:** Stanley Koppinger, Amery, Wis.
- 1979:** Peter and Karen (Ogard) Roden, Highlands Ranch, Colo.
- 1980:** Darryl Kuhl, Highlands Ranch, Colo.
- 1981:** Donald Dubuque, Grand Forks
- 1982:** Jay Hilbert, Naperville, Ill.
- 1983:** Jacqueline Gaddie, East Grand Forks, Minn.
- 1984:** Larry Orvik, Crookston, Minn.
- 1985:** Peter Haines, Ft. Worth, Texas
- 1986:** Michael Youngdahl, St. Paul, Minn.

- 1987:** Duane and Susan Carr Borgeson, Granite Falls, Minn.
- 1988:** Kathy Gaddie Skipper, Bloomington, Minn.
- 1989:** Dan and Stacey (Radakovich) Gaustad, Grand Forks

- 1990:** Julie Woutat Strommen, Carlsbad, N.M.
- 1991:** Ann Kerian, Minot, N.D.
- 1992:** Jim Poolman, Grand Forks, and Keith Becker, Greenwood Village, Colo.

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## Preparing for the legislative session

# Baker sees budget challenges as opportunity

By Julie Liffrig

It hasn't been a leisurely transition for UND's new president.

On the threshold of potentially serious reductions in UND's base spending level, President Kendall Baker is approaching the budgetary challenge as an opportunity to make UND a stronger, more efficient and more focused institution of higher education.

Shortly after his first day on the job when Gov. George Sinner asked Baker to prepare for a 10 percent revenue reduction from UND's present base, Baker has been meeting with faculty and staff and requesting that all departments prepare for 4 percent, 8 percent and 12 percent reduction scenarios.

"UND is a first rate institution. It is the flagship institution in this state and we are going to be better and more dynamic than ever before," Baker said.

Decreased funding for higher education is not a problem unique to North Dakota; rather, it's a national trend. UND has faced numerous budget reductions in the past. However, this is the first time in many years that reductions have applied to the base spending level rather than to the rate of growth. In other words, UND received \$78.5 million in General Fund Revenue for the 1991-93 biennium but faces a potential base budget for 1993-95 of \$70.6 million, nearly \$21 million less than the \$91.8 million in general funds the State Board of Higher Education had requested.

As this issue of the *Alumni Review* was going to press, UND had not yet begun its testimony before the legislative appropriation committee, nor had newly elected Gov. Ed Schafer made his recommendations.

"I intend to ensure that UND is treated fairly in the allocation process," Baker said. "I also intend to make it abundantly clear that fewer resources must inevitably mean fewer programs for fewer students, if quality is to be maintained."

Fortunately, Baker isn't a novice when it comes to budget cuts.

"This is the third time I've been through this, and I am pleased to tell you morale at UND is better than it was at the other two institutions where I

"This is a very healthy process. By looking at what we are doing or could be doing more efficiently and effectively, we will become a stronger and better institution."

UND President Kendall Baker



At the UND Foundation Presidents Club dinner during Homecoming '92, UND President Kendall Baker and First Lady Toby thanked then-Governor candidate Ed Schafer, '69, for his contributions to and support of the University of North Dakota. Schafer was elected North Dakota Governor in November.

faced this problem," he said.

His first year as provost at Northern Illinois University he was asked to reduce the academic budget by more than \$2 million; and although he didn't expect this to be the first major issue on his agenda as UND president, he stresses that budgets throughout the institution would have been evaluated regardless of the state situation.

"This is a very healthy process. By looking at what we are doing or could be doing more efficiently and effectively, we will become a stronger and better institution," he said. "I came to UND expecting to take a careful look at the way our resources were being invested in order to ensure that good connections exist between our strengths and our resources."

In his inaugural address, Baker em-

phasized positioning UND to meet the new challenges of the 21st Century. Evaluating the budget and focusing on this institution's strengths are part of setting the course for UND's future.

"Some people on campus feel quite strongly that we need to look at what we're doing, and some think we are not positioned or prepared as well as we could be to take advantage of the opportunities that will be afforded us in the future," he said.

Baker believes input such as this from faculty and staff is critical to making the right choices for UND.

"We have the creative energy, commitment and talent on this University to meet these challenges. Our greatest strengths are our dedicated faculty, staff and alumni. I'm convinced they are willing to do what needs to be done in

order for UND to grow and develop as an institution," he said.

He cited an employee at Plant Services whose idea saved the University \$12,000 in material costs alone. In order to comply with the Americans Disability Act, hazardous building entrances have to be appropriately marked to alert the visually impaired. Rather than spend \$12,000 for special door handles, Arin "Jake" Jacobson, a locksmith at Plant Services, developed the idea of using textured tape as a warning on the current handles. This solution met legal standards and has been successfully implemented.

"This is just one example of the ingenuity and commitment we have on this campus that will con-

tinue to make this strong University

even stronger," he said.

Prior to Christmas, Baker received budget recommendations from all of the vice presidents. After going through the recommendations, he will arrange a second set of meetings with faculty and staff throughout campus to discuss his conclusions and the corresponding implications for UND.

"We will be prepared to very directly tell the legislature what the effects of decreased funding will be," he said.

"There is no doubt we are facing a potentially serious financial situation that will have important effects on programs, activities and services the University can support. But I believe this is not a threat, but an opportunity to define who we are, what we do best, and how we can adapt to the changing needs."

## UND attracts Nat'l Weather Service Center

The University of North Dakota will be home to a new National Weather Service Center. The Center will be the first tenant of UND's Technology Park, west of Interstate 29, and will employ 25 full-time staff members.

UND's Center for Aerospace Sciences was instrumental in attracting the new facility to Grand Forks over Fargo and Mayville. The existing National Weather Service (NWS) area office is located in Fargo.

The project is being praised as a mutually beneficial arrangement to encourage long-term collaboration of educational and research development.

Richard Augulis, NWS central region director, said, "One of the goals of the modernization of the National Weather Service has been to further the cooperation between academics and our forecasters in the advancement of meteorological science. Collocating this office with the University of North Dakota bears numerous advantages."

Some of the benefits include greater access for forecasters to postgraduate education, seminars, databases and research instruments such as the Cray X-MP/216 computer. The NWS will also have access to the University's 5-cm Doppler weather radar, which can operate in tandem with their WSR-88D



John Odegard, dean of the Center for Aerospace Sciences

weather radar to be installed in 1995.

"Opportunities such as this come along only rarely, and we are ecstatic that this opportunity presented itself in North Dakota," Augulis said. "We look forward to a long and highly productive relationship with UND."

Construction of the office is expected to begin in June 1994 with the office ready for NWS occupancy in the summer of 1995. The University of North Dakota Aerospace Foundation donated the lot and the City of Grand Forks will



The City of Grand Forks has a long history of support for UND. The funding supplied by the city was instrumental in bringing the National Weather Service Center to UND. Recently, Grand Forks Mayor Mike Polovitz, on behalf of the City of Grand Forks, accepted membership into the UND Foundation William Budge Society. He is pictured with UND President Kendall Baker.

provide \$175,000 to build a connecting cable between the radar site in Mayville, N.D., and the center in Grand Forks.

The center will be the forecast office for 17 counties in eastern North Dakota and 21 counties in northwest Minnesota.

"Cooperative relationships such as this between the University of North Dakota and the National Weather Service are key to the continued growth

and vitality of higher education," UND President Kendall Baker said. "We are excited the Weather Service recognizes the value of locating next to an academic atmospheric science program strong in both teaching and research."

John Odegard, dean of the Center for Aerospace Sciences, said selection of UND for the Weather Forecast Office offers tremendous opportunities for students and faculty in the Atmospheric Science department.







# Alumni Days '93 is just around the corner

## By Kalli Swanson Special Events Coordinator

Take a "Sentimental Journey" home to UND for Alumni Days '93, May 26-28.

Alumni Days provides a unique opportunity for "early" UND graduates to return to campus and visit old sites and long remembered friends. The classes of 1933, 1938 and 1943 will be celebrating their 60-, 55- and 50-year reunions during the spring celebration. The three days are filled with tours, receptions, luncheons, entertainment, banquets, and plenty of visiting and reminiscing with classmates and friends.

Ruth, '42, and Bill Hill, '42, of Grand Forks, returned to campus last spring for Alumni Days '92. "It was a wonderful time! The Class Reunion of 1942 was a very special time. Everything was done top-drawer. Many commented on the rooms at Swanson Hall; the many activities and general feeling of being spoiled."

Alumni Days '93 activities begin on Wednesday, May 26, with optional campus tours of the North Dakota Museum of Art, the Chester Fritz Library,



the Energy and Environmental Research Center, and the Hughes Fine Arts Center.

UND's ninth president, Kendall Baker, and his wife, Toby, will host a reception at their home that afternoon. A Get-Reacquainted Dinner that evening at the Memorial Union will provide classmates and friends with the opportunity to renew acquaintances and take a "Sentimental Journey" down memory lane. The dinner will be followed by a dance with popular dance music from the 30s, 40s and 50s.

The Classes of 1933, 1938 and 1943 will have reunion breakfasts and class pictures on Thursday, May 27. The breakfasts will be followed by a campus bus tour and a stop at the Chester Fritz Auditorium for a special reception and showing of "Gone with the Wind" memorabilia.

The annual Alumni Days Sioux Awards banquet will be Thursday evening at the Westward Ho with a 6:15 social and 7:30 dinner. Outstanding UND alumni will be awarded the Alumni Association's highest honor.

The UND Schools of Medicine, Engineering and Mines, Law, Communications (Speech/Journalism), and the Departments of Accounting and Home Economics will host separate reunion

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Ruth, '42, and Bill Hill, '42

region, will be the reunion headquarters. Swanson Hall will also serve as your "hotel" with private rooms and baths. Most meals will be served at the Memorial Union

breakfasts on Friday, May 28, at the Memorial Union.

A special memorial service will also take place Friday morning, followed by optional tours of the Center of Aerospace Sciences and the Human Nutrition and Research Center.

Swanson Hall, UND's newest residence hall and one of the nicest in the

adjacent to Swanson.

Transportation will be provided to and from all events. UND courtesy transportation will also be available at the airport, bus and train depots.

For more information, contact the Alumni Office at 777-2611, or 1-800-543-8764.

## A fall getaway with alumni and friends



These UND alumni and friends enjoyed 10 days on a Transcanal Tour in November. Pictured in the back row, from the left: Marv Hopewell, John and Betty (Holt) Sakariassen, Vern and Lu Pepple, Ed Hanson, Larry and Karlyn Campbell, John and Marcia (Nelson) Jarrett, Wilbur Schmidt, Vivian and Ralph Bartel, Millie (Lee) and Richard Smith, Sherlee and Herb Paulson, Jan Strinden, Scott Rex, Herman Rutten, Earl Strinden. Front Row: LaVerne (Brownfield) Hanson, John and Helen O'Brien, Ruth Schmidt, Doble and Edna (Peterson) Doyle, Peggy (Moeller) Rutten.

**UND Los Angeles-area Reunion  
Sunday, Feb. 21, 1993  
10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

*Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel  
7000 Hollywood Blvd.  
Hollywood, CA  
Site of the first*

*Academy Awards presentations!*

**UND's Ninth President Kendall  
Baker will be in attendance.**

To make reservations or for more information, contact the UND Alumni Association at 1-800-543-8764.

Or send \$19.50 per person to:  
UND Alumni Association  
Attn: Los Angeles Reunion  
P.O. Box 8157  
Grand Forks, ND 58202-9988.

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**1993  
Las Vegas  
President's Day  
Weekend  
February  
12-15**

Join other alumni and friends  
for the 13th Annual UND Las Vegas Weekend  
at UND alumnus Ralph Engelstad's famous Imperial Palace.

The spectacular Imperial Palace on the famous Las Vegas Strip features restaurants, tennis, swimming, shopping, theatre, health and fitness center, and a \$10,000,000 Antique and Classic Car Collection. Relax with other UND alumni and friends at a complimentary Get-Acquainted Party at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, February 13. Then join us at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday,

February 14, for the UND Alumni Reunion Buffet.

Make your room reservations now by calling the Imperial Palace at 1-800-634-6441. A special reduced rate of \$60 per night, single or double occupancy (plus 8% room tax), has been made available to alumni and friends who identify themselves as part of UND's group and who call before Jan. 14.

Clip and mail along with a check for \$15.00 per person for the Sunday Buffet, made payable to: UND VEGAS VACATION, P.O. Box 8157, Grand Forks, ND 58202, or call 1-800-543-8764 or 777-2611.

Name and UND class year \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Number attending Sat. night reception \_\_\_\_\_

Join alumni  
& friends in Palm Desert!

If you will be traveling in the Palm Desert area, plan to attend the **UND Reunion Brunch** on **Tuesday, February 16**, at the

## **Erawan Garden Hotel**

The UND Alumni Association has reserved a block of rooms at the Resort for alumni & friends. **Rooms are \$85 per night & are available February 15-16.** This is a holiday weekend, so make your reservations soon; rooms are available through January 15. **To make reservations, phone 1-800-237-2926.**

Be sure to identify yourself as part of the UND alumni group. Watch for more details about the brunch.

**See you in  
Palm Desert!**



# UND students explore European lands

## BPA students study business and economics abroad

By Hope Aadland

Many believe a college education shouldn't be limited to a campus classroom. So one UND professor decided to use Europe as a classroom instead.

Mary Loyland, UND associate professor of accounting and business law, took 18 students to France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Germany and Luxembourg last spring through an international business class she started herself within the department. She said it was the first foreign study program in the UND business school.

"The economy is becoming very global, and the world is becoming smaller," she said. "It's important to expose our students to a lot of things and different cultures, and have them realize what a global economy we are involved in."

The class, Perspectives on International Business, sent students to northern Europe to study international business and foreign culture. They stayed in Sittard, Netherlands, and the French cities of Dijon, Tours and Paris, and took day-long excursions to Aachen and Cologne, Germany; Luxembourg; Brussels and Brugges, Belgium; Amsterdam, Netherlands; and Geneva.

In Sittard, an Amsterdam banker spoke to them about European banking and monetary practices and about the possibility of Europe uniting under one currency. The students toured the Ned car manufacturing factory in the Netherlands, learned about the European Economic Community in Brussels, and visited the Paris office of KPMG Peat Marwick for a lecture on international trade. Also in Paris, they attended a lecture on the differences in accounting practices between European countries at the Paris Institute.

Loyland said it's important for UND students to travel.

"We get so insulated in how we live and how we think," she said. "What we have here is good, but we have to realize what else is out there."

Loyland believes creative teaching programs such as this are important to UND's overall curriculum.

"It's important to encourage and support faculty members when they develop innovative programs. It's a lot of work and it isn't easy to stick your neck out on a new idea."



18 UND students toured Europe last summer to gain a more broad perspective on economics and international business. They are pictured above in Volendam, Netherlands, an historic fishing town north of Amsterdam.

Operating expenses for this international class aren't any different than a regular course at UND. Students pay tuition to take the class and cover all their own traveling expenses.

The next international destination is London during spring break in March. During an 11-day trip, Loyland and 20 students will visit the U.S. Embassy trade office, a manufacturing company, Oxford University, Shakespeare's home in Stratford, Lloyd's of London, Arthur Andersen Accounting Firm, and Stonehenge, among other stops. Each traveler will pay about \$1,500 for the entire trip.

## UND and Norwegian students study together

When 12 UND students registered for classes last April they knew they wouldn't be on campus this year. They would be studying in a different continent.

The students are in Norway on a new exchange program through the University of North Dakota. Although many American college students study abroad every year, this program is unique.

"These students study with other Norwegian students," said Mary Kweit, UND International Studies

director and political science professor. "And at the end of the year, the (same) Norwegian students will return with the UND students to study here."

Kweit said the program, coordinated by the American-Norwegian Institute for Education, was started by Dr. Steinar Opstad, a Norwegian businessman. He set it up with both UND and Augsburg (Minn.) College because of the schools' strong business departments. Kweit said Opstad's goal was to encourage international understanding on an educational and personal level.

"He thought that if people could make friendship bonds, the whole experience would be better," Kweit said.

Kweit has twice traveled to Moss, Norway, where the students are studying and living with host families. She said students have a variety of reasons for going.

UND junior Anita Boeddeker said, "I had relatives in Norway and I thought it would be a great educational experience studying abroad and learning about the different people and the culture." Boeddeker spoke to Kweit on an audio tape this fall about the program.

Sophomore Wade Sorenson, a computer science student, had other reasons. "I just wanted to have fun," he said.

To enroll in the program, students must pay UND tuition and sign up for the study-abroad class. They also pay \$2,700 to cover room and board expenses for the year. Kweit said this is comparable to what students pay to live on UND's campus.

The students take a variety of courses, which count as UND credits. A UND professor also spends time there teaching the combined classes of Augsburg College, UND and Norwegian students.

Kweit said the program will run on a three-year trial basis. She said its continuation is not definite, even though this first-year program is going well and international studies programs are growing in importance in the world.

"I'm amazed how time-consuming and expensive it is to do this. There are tons of study-abroad programs, but this one accommodates more students," Kweit said. "I'm concerned about budget cuts, and we have to be sure we have support on campus before we go abroad."

Kweit said bringing international students to UND through this program is an advantage because "the whole world is composed of different people and we learn a lot by looking at ourselves through other eyes. Really understanding means having contact."

# Executive describes frenetic days of business mergers

By Jackie Flaten

"Leveraged buy-outs," "exit strategies," "hostile takeover attempts" — business students hear these abstract high-finance terms often in the course of their education. But Ted Pedas infused these words with life late last fall when he led University of North Dakota students through a maze of mergers and acquisitions.

Pedas is the president of White Lily Foods Company of Knoxville, Tenn., and a 1964 graduate of UND. He was back on campus in November, and he lectured to students about the corporate world's "wheeling and dealing," using examples from his own company.

White Lily Foods Company is a well-known miller, packager and seller of flour and flour products in the south-eastern United States.

White Lily Flour, which began as a small family business in 1883, is as much a part of the South's tradition as magnolias and mint juleps.

Produced from optimally milled soft winter wheat, perfect for making light-as-air biscuits and pastries, White Lily Flour is a definitive Southern baking favorite, Pedas said.

A bag of flour was even strategically placed in two different scenes of the popular movie, "Driving Miss Daisy," because of its strong Southern connota-

tions. The products are distributed throughout 10 southeastern states, and is the major brand of flour in the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, and eastern Tennessee, Pedas said.

Pedas, who received a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1964, is originally from Minot, N.D. The son of Greek immigrants, the late Alex and Kathryn Pedas, he is married to Grand Forks native Judy (Kieffer).

His sister, Zetta C. Chrissanthos, of Alameda, Calif., also received a bachelor's degree in business administration from UND, in 1960.

After attending graduate school at the University of Illinois, Pedas went to work for Pillsbury. He said this was good experience for him because "I got authority fast and learned fast."

He was with Pillsbury for nine years; the last three years were spent in Mexico where he was vice president and general manager of Pillsbury de Mexico.

In 1977, he was approached by Holly Farms, then-parent company of White Lily Foods, and was offered the position of CEO and president. The past 16 years have been good ones for Pedas.

"We've been more than successful and it's been fun."

He has an obvious and genuine pride in White Lily Flour. "Quality sells," he

explained.

"We simply have the best product, and we attempt to enhance the traditional image in our marketing."

He is actively involved in leadership seminars with the University of Tennessee, and serves on the board of visitors for the College of Liberal Arts, the College of Human Ecology, and the Department of Food Science.

He has also participated in leadership seminars at Stanford University.

Pedas took the UND business students back to the "free-for-all" late 1980s, when corporations changed hands fast and furiously. He described the events beginning in the fall of 1988 at White Lily as "875 days of Purgatory."

"This was a very exciting time of upheavals, mergers and acquisitions," he told UND's strategic management class. White Lily Foods went through several changes in ownership during this period, and the future was often very uncertain.

He said that "mergers and acquisitions are not by definition 'bad' — only



Ted Pedas, '64, is president and CEO of White Lily Foods, a major U.S. flour products company.

excessive cases are bad. They are 'bad' when the debt structure cannot be supported by economic realities, and when strategic decisions are incompetent," he explained.

"They can create economic value when based on rational decisions and balanced with potential social costs."



# Behind the scenes at UND's Studio One

By Peter Johnson, '81, '82

"Thirty seconds and we're live," the director says. Hearts pound, nerves jump and palms sweat. TV camera operators focus on the show's host, who silently runs through his opening lines. Technicians watch their dials and pray everything works the way it is should.

The moment of truth. The studio crew is about to do something they've never done before -- introduce a live interview via satellite into a live television program.

"Nightline" with Ted Koppel? Nope -- the University of North Dakota's own award-winning "Studio One."

Now you have some idea how UND Studio One producer Maria Volk, '92, and director Harlan Moen, '92, felt that early morning in May 1992, when they and 35 other UND students put together what became the National Association of College Broadcasters' 1992 Best College News Show in the nation.

It was the first time Studio One -- or any college-produced show, for that matter -- had ever aired a live satellite interview with a U.S. senator during a live broadcast.

"It was very tense," said Volk, 22, who produced the cable talk show that goes up against the big morning shows on the major networks. So many things can go wrong with a live feed, particularly when it is your first time out. "We were all like -- 'will it work?' And it did. It worked."

Moen, 24, has similar memories. "Mostly I remember how hectic it was because of the technical complexity of the show. We had more meetings leading up to that one because of the technical matters. We had to decide how we

wanted it to look, how to set up the monitors. The hardest part was to figure out how to wire Tom (Buehring,



(L-R) Harlan Moen, Barry Brode, and Maria Volk

former host) so he could talk to Sen. Conrad and hear what he had to say."

The live satellite interview with Sen. Kent Conrad worked so well it probably put UND over the top of the competition, said Volk.

Volk is modest about the award-winning show, which also included a taped feature with Atlanta Hawks' Dominique Wilkens and a live interview with Tom Clifford, who was nearing the end of more than 20 years as UND president. She credits all of the students who worked on the program. "Just because I was producer doesn't mean I deserve all of the credit. Everyone was doing their part, and everyone was pulling their weight."

Barry Brode, director of UND's Television Production Center, enjoyed working with Moen and Volk. "Harlan always took a full load, worked here 30 hours a week, and still maintained a high enough grade point average to make the President's Honor Roll. And Maria's the same way. She worked hard and still maintained excellent grades," he said.

Okay, Moen is bright and a hard



UND's award-winning Studio One on a typical production day.

worker. But what makes him a successful director?

"I get along well with others, which is big in directing," said Moen. "If you have a really caustic personality, people won't want to listen to you. Directing is a leadership kind of position."

And directing is in the soul of this Williston, N.D., native. Currently a producer/director/photographer at KMOT-TV in Minot, N.D., Moen said his work as director and assistant director of Studio One prepared him well for his current job.

"My directing job now requires a lot more hands-on than at Studio One. Now I'm actually pushing buttons. It's a lot more complex, but Studio One gave me a sense of how to organize things and the ability to look ahead."

Studio One also gave Moen a taste of the fast pace and stress of television. "Working at Studio One was challenging, fun. It was doing something to an intensity I hadn't done before. You got a sense of how things would work in the real world instead of in the classroom."

Not that the classroom work wasn't valuable. "I learned all of my editing techniques in my editing classes, and learned a lot in my broadcasting classes. Plus the internships I got were very helpful. There was no way I would have

been prepared for this job if I hadn't gone into broadcasting at UND."

Broadcasting wasn't Moen's first choice for a career. He likes television, but his real love is for the very competitive field of directing films. "Most of the people I look up to are in the film making business. I still hope someday to get into film making."

That is an interest he shares with Volk, who seems to have the personality for producing movies or television. "I'm told I'm a perfectionist. I'm totally organized, I don't like a mess. I'm a little crazy, too, but not much. And I work well under pressure," she said.

The rural Hague, N.D., native says she is also creative and imaginative -- qualities she developed growing up with seven brothers and two sisters.

Volk graduated from UND in May 1992. She now works for WDAZ TV in Grand Forks as a weekend associate producer, and also as a reporter a couple of days a week.

Although Volk likes her job, she hopes to find work in the Twin Cities.

"My dream job is to be either producer of a show like Today or Good Morning America, or producer of a talk show -- a good talk show. Something like the Home Show. That would be my dream job. And just to have fun."

## CAMPUS NOTES

### \$3.3 million Abbott Hall addition dedicated in fall

UND chemistry students and faculty members recently received 34,400 feet of new space in which to learn, research and experiment. On Oct. 24, the \$3.3 million addition to Abbott Hall, UND's chemistry building, was dedicated by UND President Emeritus Thomas Clifford.

The addition includes 13 new laboratories, an expansion that tripled the size of the chemistry library, an 88-seat lecture hall, and a flammable storage room. The new facilities and ventilation system will allow for some experiments that previously couldn't be conducted.

Abbott Hall was constructed in 1961, containing 46,000 square feet. It is named for Dr. George Abbott, a UND chemistry professor from 1910 until 1952 and one of the best known UND faculty members.

Chemistry has been part of the instructional program at UND since the University's founding in 1883. Today, 15 faculty members teach about 1,200 undergraduate students.

### UND Medical School gains maximum accreditation

The University of North Dakota School of Medicine has received full,

seven-year accreditation from the national agency which oversees accreditation of medical schools in the U.S.

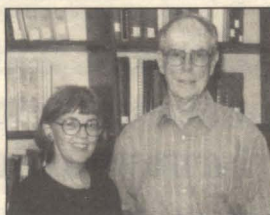


(L-R) UND President Emeritus Tom Clifford, Chemistry Professor Thomas Ballintine, and UND President Kendall Baker at the Abbott Hall dedication.

This marks the first time in the school's history that it has been awarded an accreditation term of this length, according to Edwin James, School of Medicine. Seven years is generally considered a maximum period of accreditation for institutions of medical education. The four-year school has been fully accredited since its inception in the mid 70's, but for shorter lengths of time.

### Fritz receives 1882 patent, Stefansson memorabilia

The Chester Fritz Library has received an 1882 hand-anvil patent from Barbara (Brown) Modisett, '52, of Chapel Hill, N.C., and Frank Brown, '43, of Kirkland, Wash. The patent, issued to Frank and Barbara's great-grandfather William H. Brown, was the first issued to a Grand Forks resident.



Barbara (Brown) Modisett, '52 and Frank Brown, '43

William Brown was at one time the mayor of Grand Forks.

The patent has been added to the library's Special Collections where it will be on display periodically or can be seen anytime by special request.

Robert Henry, '60, '62, of Newburg, N.D., has donated a collection of Vilhjalmur Stefansson memorabilia to the Chester Fritz Library. Stefansson, a North Dakota native and UND student was a famous Arctic explorer in the 1920s and '30s.

The library seeks to acquire additional material on Stefansson and on Iceland, and has established a special fund to purchase additional materials about Iceland and the rich heritage of the Icelandic people who settled in North Dakota.

### Concert Choir invited to sing at national convention

The UND Concert Choir has been invited to appear twice in concert for the National Convention of the American Choral Directors Association, the highest honor a collegiate choral en-

semble can receive.

The convention is a three-day biennial meeting in San Antonio, Texas, in early March, and will draw more than 3,000 members of the choral conductors organization.

Chosen by a forum of conductors by a taped audition, UND's choir will be among a limited number of outstanding choirs from the U.S. and abroad.

### UND Dean honored by Governor Sinner

Robert Boyd, dean of the Division of Continue Education, was recognized in November with the Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Service by North Dakota Governor Robert Boyd.



Robert Boyd

A Rock Lake, N.D., native, Boyd was named the Outstanding Professional Continuing Educator by the National University Continuing Education Association in 1989.

He received his undergraduate degree from what is now Minot State University, and his master's and doctoral degrees in education from UND.

Boyd was instrumental in bringing UND-Williston and UND-Lake Region into the state university system under the University of North Dakota. His work in forming the UND Graduate Center in Bismarck and creating UND's College for Kids were cited in presenting him the Governor's Award.



## Physicist develops scientific products for practical analysis in business

By Julie Liffbrig

SCIENCE IS RICHARD LEE'S BUSINESS. Translating complex scientific concepts into valuable products, this physicist/businessman from Berthold, N.D., has developed a role for himself and his prospering company, RJ Lee Group, Inc.

In 1985, Lee purchased an analysis and consulting company with six employees in Monroeville, Penn. Through his leadership, the business now employs 150 people in six locations under the name RJ Lee Group, Inc. The turning point in Lee's career came after 13 years in research and development for U.S. Steel. The 1966 UND graduate decided to step out on his own, and quickly realized banks were far from eager to loan him money for his venture.

"I went into banks and said, 'I'm a research guy and I want to start my own company.' Their first question was, 'What's your collateral?' and I told them I owned land in North Dakota," Lee said in an interview during UND's Homecoming.

"After they stopped laughing they said, 'Research guys don't make good businessmen, and land in North Dakota can't have a whole lot of value.'"

So, Lee turned to a bank in Minot, N.D., and received the initial financing. He can look back on his early banking struggles with satisfaction. Some of the same banks who originally turned him down are now, understandably, trying to win back his business. After all, last year RJ Lee Group, Inc., a privately held company, generated several million dollars in revenue.

Until recently, RJ Lee Group, Inc., centered its operations around consulting. He described their role as solving problems, rather than finding them.

"Most businesses know what the problem is... they just need help focusing in on it and how it is affecting their work," he said.

The company has developed a variety of technologies related to analyzing the microstructure of materials using sophisticated electron microscopes and their own computer software. They conduct scientific analysis for materials ranging from asbestos, metals and plastics to concrete, minerals and environmental particles.

Recently, RJ Lee Group has branched into manufacturing. "We have designed the first personal scanning electron microscope (SEM)," he

said. "It has 80 percent of the capabilities of an SEM that sells for \$250,000, and ours sells for \$75,000."

A scanning electron microscope resembles a closed circuit television. A beam of electrons, rather than a beam of light, illuminates the object. The electron beam scans the specimen, and the electrons reflect off it.

The result is a three-dimensional, high-resolution image that appears on an adjacent screen. SEMs, with their large depth of field, provide extremely detailed images, magnified 50,000 times or more.

Lee said many of the operations performed by the high-cost SEMs could be performed more efficiently with a less expensive and more basic tool. His theory: Why buy a Mercedes Benz if a VW Bug will get you there?

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—Richard Lee, '69, owner of RJ Lee Group, Inc.

"We want to be the Volkswagen Bug of SEMs," he said. On the rare occasions when companies need the capabilities of the more advanced SEM, RJ Lee Group provides commercial microscopy services.

The market for the Personal SEM goes far beyond research laboratories. With increasingly affordable prices, Lee believes they will someday be a common teaching tool in schools. The Personal SEM uses PC-based technology, allowing all microscope functions to be controlled through a standard keyboard and mouse.

Through simple point-and-click operations, the scanned image appears on

the computer screen that features macro, normal and zoom image-viewing options.

Lee said the instruments are designed by the people who use them, an important factor in their efficiency. "The products have been developed in our labs to make our jobs faster and easier," he said. A scientist by training — he completed a doctorate degree in physics at Colorado State University — Lee enjoys the business aspects of management.

"In any business, the problem scientists have is understanding what the customer needs, rather than what science says can be done. And the problem a person trained in business has is understanding the technology involved. You need a blend of both.

"My biggest challenges have been learning to get things done on time, understanding the difference between what you think is a good idea, and what the people who are spending money think is a good idea."

Lee was awarded an honorary doctorate degree from UND last May. He also received two Entrepreneur of the Year awards in 1991: the Western Penn./Tri-State Entrepreneur of the Year and the Small Business Administration's Entrepreneur Success Award. He and his wife, Sandra, live in Murfreesville, Tenn., and have two children.

Richard Lee, '66, physicist/businessman



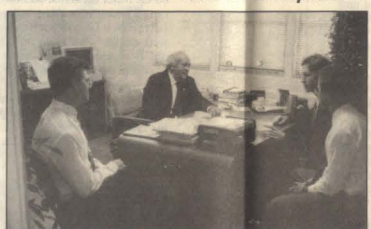
Richard Lee, '66, physicist/businessman

## UND Entrepreneurs

The University of North Dakota has a long, proud history of students who graduated from this University to make meaningful contributions to society. Among these distinguished individuals are those who create new products or methods -- the entrepreneurs.

These innovative people are numerous in UND's alumni family. This section is dedicated to those who, through hard work and belief in their ideas, epitomize North Dakota's spirit of resourcefulness and perseverance. Featured on these two pages are just a few of UND's ingenious entrepreneurs.

### Lessons from a well-known entrepreneur



Harold Schafer, HOH '91, of Bismarck, spent a few days on the UND campus in November. Founder of the Gold Seal Corporation and a longtime North Dakota entrepreneur, Schafer visited with business students about how to turn their entrepreneurial ideas into reality.

## Alumni return to North Dakota hometown to create businesses and build on dreams

By Dana Bohn

THE WORDS "ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT" ARE ON THE LIPS of many people, but in Killdeer, N.D., population 800, it is more than talk. It has become a reality due to the initiative of four University of North Dakota graduates who were key participants in forming Killdeer Mountain Manufacturing (KMM), a company that manufactures high quality electronic parts for military and commercial airplanes nationwide, opened in 1988.

It was the dream of Don Hedger, a 1959 UND electrical engineering graduate, who had spent 19 years in avionics manufacturing with Sperry Flight Systems in Phoenix.

Hedger, president of KMM, said, "While at Sperry I worked with the design, manufacturing, and marketing of automatic flight control equipment. I felt this same industry could be successful in rural North Dakota because of the quality workers found here."

In order to get the idea off the ground, Hedger called on the expertise of three UND alumni: his wife Patricia, a 1956 nursing graduate of the Sisters of St. Joseph/UND in Grand Forks; Jerry Fisher, a 1967 industrial engineering graduate; and Harold Voigt, a 1984 geological engineering graduate.

Financing the project was the first hurdle. Hedger said, "The rural North Dakota banks had a hard time relating to our business and were apprehensive about making a loan."

After acquiring the needed funding, KMM had to sell itself to the big companies. Hedger explained that large companies don't always like to experiment with small new ventures.

"It was challenging to find companies that were interested. We knocked on a lot of doors... it was very difficult, but once we proved ourselves, the opportunities began to increase."

When KMM first started, it had one customer and 10 employees. The company now has many large customers and about 50 employees. KMM is a supplier for McDonnell Douglas and is making electronic parts for the European Air Bus A320B, as well as the McDonnell Douglas DC-9, and Boeing 737, 747, and 757. Other

customers include the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force. In fact, KMM worked on the guidance systems for the Tomahawk Cruise Missiles used in the Gulf War.

KMM is unique not only because of the customers it serves, but it is also operated entirely by people from the Killdeer area. "Rural North Dakota has one of the most important ingredients for a successful business: high-quality workers," Hedger said.

Fisher, director of operations at KMM, started the employee training program in 1987, one year before the plant opened. He was funded by North Dakota Job Service and the state Vocational Education Department. About 60 people went through the 40-hour course in manufacturing high-quality products at Killdeer High School.

Hedger said KMM needed to have a pool of trained employees before they could go out and ask for work.

"Top-notch workers are a must in our industry. This is necessary because airborne quality requirements are very high. The work we do is labor intensive."

The Hedgers said it is rewarding to be back in their hometown. While attending UND, they lived in the legendary tin huts on the UND campus. In 1959, they settled in Phoenix where Don launched his career and Patricia worked as a public health and school nurse. They have three children, all of whom are involved in the KMM business.

In 1978, the Hedgers decided to return to their hometown because they missed the quality of life there.

Hedger became the chief executive officer at the American State Bank in Killdeer. He later purchased Killdeer Insurance Agency from

the bank and, in 1983, he and his son, Patrick, started Northstar Financial Services there.

The early 1980s brought hard economic times for North Dakota. But, with a belief in their community, the Hedgers began making plans for a nursing home that would provide jobs and a service the community needed.

They helped organize a fund drive, secure the state certificate of need, and worked with an architect to design the facility, but the



Don and Pat Hedger

Hedgers credit strong community support for making the Hilltop Home of Comfort happen. The 80-bed nursing home opened in 1988, and this success inspired Hedger to use his expertise in avionics manufacturing to bring more opportunities to Killdeer.

KMM was first located in a 5,400-square-foot retail space in the Killdeer Mall. It has now expanded into a 20,000-square-foot building with special environmental capabilities such as humidity control.

"The new building has meant a lot to us in terms of getting new business," Hedger said. He hopes to have 100 employees by the end of 1993. He also is planning to branch into 10 other North Dakota communities.

Under this plan, called MAC Dakota, Killdeer will be the acquisition and training center for a core group of workers, who in turn will train the employees at their sites.

## Family manufactures equipment that increases farming efficiency

• Concord, Inc., manufactures state-of-the-art seed drills

By Jackie Flaten

FARMERS ARE LOOKING FOR NEW METHODS to aid them in the face of rising production costs and increased environmental concerns. To meet these needs, a family of UND alumni has developed sophisticated equipment that respects the fragility of the land and also the farmer's need for cost-efficiency.

Eugene "Gene" Dahl, '48, of Fargo, has long been associated with farm equipment manufacturing in North Dakota. The Gwinner, N.D., native and his brothers-in-law operated the Melroe Company, and Gene was also chairman of Steiger Tractor, Inc. In 1977, Gene and his sons, Howard and Brian, founded Concord, Inc., and developed a state-of-the-art "air till drill."

Concord, Inc. is committed to "precision farming," a method geared to lowering costs and protecting the environment. Howard, '71, is president of the company. He said although there are other air drills on the market, their product is unique.

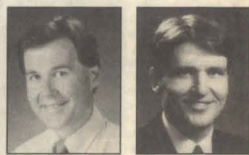
"Farmers are leaving the stubble of previous crops more and more. It con-

The Dahls began research and development in 1977, and in 1979, bought a small manufacturing company. They did contract manufacturing and also built a few small, 30-horsepower tractors, geared to Third World countries. In 1981, they developed the air seeder, and spent the next eight years getting it launched.

While 1992 was a record year for Concord, with sales up 70 percent, reaching that point wasn't easy, according to Howard. "The 1980s were difficult for farmers and farm equipment manufacturers," he said. "We fought for survival the whole decade.

"But we have a very talented team and quality products," he added. Concord has more than 10 employees, and is also farming out some of the work, including the manufacturing of its latest product, the "Detectspray."

This break-through technology has an electronic sensor that optically senses green vegetation, and thus sprays only when there are weeds growing.



Eugene Dahl, '48

Howard Dahl, '71

Brian Dahl, '78

Cost and chemical use is dramatically cut, and the equipment can be attached to existing sprayers.

Concord holds the North American manufacturing and marketing rights for this product, which was patented in Australia. The sprayers are built by Phoenix International of Fargo, under contract with Concord.

Howard foresees rapid growth for Concord in the '90s, and accords a great part of the company's success to his father's guidance.

Gene is chairman of the board of Concord, Inc. He received his bachelor of science degree in education, majoring in mathematics and chemistry, in 1948. The UND Alumni Association presented him with its highest honor, the Sioux Award, in 1977. He and his wife, Evelyn "Eve," live in Fargo.

Howard said, "My father has been involved in three start-up companies, and he's a true entrepreneur. He's done a lot of risk-taking."

## The 'Idea Man' teaches companies how to unleash their creative powers, save million\$

By Jackie Flaten

GERALD HAMAN HAS A GREAT IDEA.

Teach people how to come up with, believe in, and sell their own ideas. Actually, Haman has had a great many ideas — and he knows how to put them to work. The 1982 University of North Dakota graduate founded the unique Chicago-based training company, Creative Learning International (CLI), which focuses on the application of creative ideas in the workplace.

More than 100 Fortune 500 companies and organizations in 17 countries are among his clients. Clients such as Helene Curtis, 3M, Apple Computers and Du Pont have used CLI to develop ideas and save millions of dollars. CLI helps them develop the ideas through their innovative tools and processes that have been featured in publications such as *U.S. News & World Report*, *Fortune*, *Success*, *Inc.*, and *The New York Times*.

"Our focus is on helping companies and individuals develop creative solutions to their business problems and opportunities," he said. Although a certain amount of creativity may be in-born, Haman believes creativity can be, and should be, taught and cultivated.

At 32, the Towner,

N.D., native said encouraging creativity in the business environment can dramatically increase revenues and cut costs.

He is quick to credit UND for helping him build his career. In college, he was enrolled in the Honors Program, where he could study communications, creativity and human motivation. He

was also involved with many extra-curricular activities, including student government and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, and was a co-founder of the student-alumni association, "Telesis."

"UND provided me with an outstanding education, which prepared me for what I'm doing today," he said. "My honors thesis at UND laid the groundwork for sever-

al of CLI's products, including training seminars and a new software program."

After graduating in 1982, he joined Procter & Gamble where he was promoted up the ranks and earned a reputation for developing creative sales and marketing programs.

He also attended graduate school at the University of Minnesota where he studied communications, training and development.

Then he joined Arthur Andersen, where he worked in the professional education division in Chicago. He left Arthur Andersen to found CLI, and, in fewer than five years, has developed a full range of resources.

CLI has four main divisions. The training and consulting department presents seminars. The "Tools Division" generates tangible items such as computer software and other thinking stimulants, such as the Pocket Innovator, the Pocket Persuader, the Product Improvement Check List, and the Volley Book.

"Ideation" offers new ways to increase efficiency through state-of-the-art brainstorming techniques. CLI is also developing environments that enhance creativity. This facility combines problem-solving techniques and computer technology

in a multi-sensory environment.

Haman keeps in contact with his clients after they have been through his training sessions, and is pleased with the results of his work.

"I learned the importance of ROI -- return on investment -- when I worked at P&G and Arthur Andersen."

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Gerald Haman, '82, founder of the Chicago-based Creative Learning International



# Sioux sports shorts

## Sioux women ranked 4th in pre-season standings

The Sioux women suffered more losses in bodies than games before the season even started this year.

Redshirt Tiffany Wirz of Maple Grove, Minn., suffered a knee injury requiring reconstructive surgery; part-time starter Karla Reints, a sophomore from Gillette, Wyo., had to redshirt because of illness, and starting guard Tracey Pudenz, a junior from Jeffers, Minn., suffered a broken arm in an exhibition game Nov. 15.

UND, ranked 4th in the NCAA Division II pre-season poll, lost its opener to Michigan Tech, 86-71. After losing the next game to Pittsburg (KS) State, 79-63, the Sioux rolled off five wins.

The Sioux are led in scoring by 1992 NCC Freshman of the Year Sheri



**1992 NCAA Freshman of the Year Sheri Kleinsasser leads Sioux women in scoring**

Kleinsasser of Carrington, N.D., at 14.3 points per game. Sheri is currently ranked 11th in NCAA Division II field goal percentage (62 percent).

UND opened North Central Conference action on the road January 2-3

and came home with two wins against Mankato State and St. Cloud.

## Sioux men's basketball boasts powerful lineup

The University of North Dakota men's basketball team was ranked in a number of pre-season polls with their highest ranking, fifth, coming in the NCAA Division II poll released Dec. 14.

UND posted a 5-0 record before dropping an 84-83 decision to Hawaii Pacific University in Honolulu, Dec. 19.

Scott Guldseth, a Kodak All-American choice last season, was one of five players in Division II basketball named to the pre-season Street and Smith's All-America team Blue Ribbon of the Year for 1993.

"Gully" currently leads the Sioux in scoring, shooting 48 percent from the field.

A senior guard from Edinburg, N.D., he is ranked third in career scoring with 1669 points and needs 384 points to take over the top spot held by Dave Vonesh (1987 to 1991) with 2052.

The Sioux, 5-1, have three other players in double figures, including All NCC center Chris Gardner, a junior from Fargo (14.4), sophomore Todd Johnson of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, (12.0) and freshman Travis Tuttle (10.0), from Argyle, Minn.

Senior guard Ben Jacobson has been plagued by a knee injury but has been



**Scott Guldseth leads the Sioux men in scoring**

## Sioux football takes tough loss in post-season play

The Sioux football team closed out one of the school's most successful seasons in recent years with a 6-4-1 overall record (6-2-1 in the NCC/2nd), and its first appearance in the NCAA-II Playoffs since 1979.

UND put itself into playoff contention by winning four straight games heading into the regular-season finale and showdown for the league title with North Dakota State on Nov. 14 in Grand Forks. Following is a quick capsule of the thrilling 20-19 defeat at the hands of the Bison.

• **NDSU 20, UND 19** — North Dakota State's Erik Hegerle intercepted a Kory Wahl pass at the Bison 25-yard line with 1:35 left to play in the game to secure the 20-19 win over the 13th ranked Sioux and give NDSU the 1992 North Central Conference championship before a crowd of more than 12,000 at UND's Memorial Stadium. The second-ranked Bison took a 10-3 halftime lead to the locker room after a six-yard touchdown run by QB Arden Beachy and field goals by NDSU's Ludvig Millfors and UND's Darcy Dahlem. Millfors made it 13-10 with a 23-yard field goal to end the third quarter, after Wahl had hit Tim Gelsinke with a seven-yard TD strike to bring the score to 10-10.

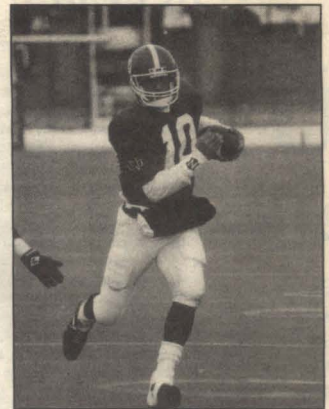
Raul Sanchez appeared to have put the game out of the reach for the Bison with his 33-yard TD run with 10 minutes left to play. But North Dakota made it 20-17 when Wahl hit Aaron Schramm on a 20-yard TD strike with 9:02 left. The Sioux then sacked Beachy for a safety in the end zone with 3:10 left to play, leaving the score at 20-19. Hegerle's interception, however, ended the ensuing Fighting Sioux Drive and locked up North Dakota State's 12th consecu-

tive win in the series between the two intrastate rivals. UND's Shannon Burnell rushed for a game-high 116 yards and went over the 1,000-yard mark. He is only the second Sioux player to have back-to-back 1,000-yard rushing seasons.

Based in part on their great performance against the highly-touted Bison, UND received a bid to the NCAA-II Playoffs. They challenged defending national champion Pittsburg State, which was on a 22-game winning streak led by running back Ronald Moore, who later won the Harlon Hill Trophy as the top player in NCAA Division II football. Following is a capsule of the UND-Pittsburg State game.

• **Pittsburg State 26, UND 21** — The Sioux, led by Shannon Burnell's 127 yards rushing and two TD's gave the Gorillas all they wanted before PSU came out on top of a 26-21 decision in a game played in the rain in Pittsburg, Kansas. Moore scored the first of his three TD's to give PSU a 7-0 lead early in the first quarter, but Burnell returned the favor at the end of the initial stanza and the score stood at 7-6. Pittsburg State QB Brian Hutchins then scored on a 13-yard run before the first quarter ended, leaving the score at 13-6.

But Burnell rolled in on a two-yard run and Wahl hit John Schumacher for a successful two-point conversion pass midway through the second quarter and the Sioux took a 14-13 lead at the half. Two more second half TD runs by Moore allowed Pittsburg State to move out to a 26-14 lead. Gelsinke caught a 40-yard TD pass from Wahl with 3:34 left, but the Sioux could do no further damage.



**Quarterback Kory Wahl was named NCC Offensive Player of the Year**

The end of the season brought temporary disappointment for UND, but the Sioux have fared well in the post-season honors category. Seven Sioux were first-team All-North Central Conference selections, with QB Kory Wahl being named the NCC's Offensive Player of the Year. Four more Sioux were named to the second team, with an additional nine players garnering honorable mentions. RB Shannon Burnell was a finalist for the Harlon Hill Award. UND also had several players attain academic honors, with three Sioux being named first-team All-Academic for the NCC, and two others being named honorable mention.

UND's most-honored individual on the academic front has been WR Tim Gelsinke, who has earned nearly \$25,000 in post-graduate scholarship money.

holding down the point guard spot for the Sioux. A team leader, "Jake" is ranked seventh in career assists for the Sioux. Senior starting guard Broderick Powell is back after earning Co-Newcomer of the Year honors in the NCC in 1992.

The men also opened North Central Conference action Jan. 2 and defeated both Mankato State and St. Cloud State on the road.

## Other sports highlights:

• Maria Oistad of Fertile, Minn., led the North Central Conference in hitting (.330) earning honorable mention all NCC honors and a spot on the North Central Region volleyball team.

• The women's cross country team finished fourth at the NCAA Division II National Meet in Pennsylvania.

• The men's cross country team finished 11th at the National Meet.



**Volleyball's Maria Oistad led the NCC in hitting**

## Hockey team young but determined

The Sioux, after winning their season opener at Minnesota, then having an unfortunate 2-9 streak, have rebounded by winning five of the last eight games leading up to a break for Christmas.

UND carried a 7-10-1 record into the second half of the season, which will feature 11 of the team's final 19 games at Ralph Engelstad Arena.

The first weekend in January, the Sioux split a home series with Bowling Green State.

UND has been led by senior center and Hobey Baker Award favorite Greg Johnson, the country's third-leading scorer with nine goals and 20 assists for 29 points in 14 games. Johnson has been the key for the Sioux this season, scoring or assisting on 55 percent of UND's goals through the teams' first 14 games.

He became UND's all-time assists leader on Nov. 27 and should become the school's all-time leading scorer by the end of his brilliant career.

Speaking of milestones, Gino Gasparini coached in his 600th game with UND on Nov. 28.

Gasparini's squad is young, however, with several freshmen and sophomores in the lineup every night.

Among the top newcomers are forwards Dean Grillo (five goals), Darcy Mitani (second on the team with seven goals), and defenseman Nick Naumenko (second on the team in scoring with five goals and 11 assists for 16 points).

The Sioux, despite their losing record, have been in almost every game this season, as evidenced by the fact that they have played in seven one-goal games and a tie.



**UND hockey's Greg Johnson is the country's third-leading scorer**

## Fighting Sioux hockey cards available for purchase

The UND Athletic Department recently announced the release of the new Fighting Sioux hockey cards. There will be two types of cards containing alumni and current Fighting Sioux.

The current Fighting Sioux will be portrayed in a set of 25 players, including two-time All-American Greg Johnson. Among the alumni Fighting Sioux are Ed Belfour, Tony Hrkac, Dave Christian, and Troy Murray.

For more information, contact the UND Athletic Department at Box 8175 University Station, Grand Forks, ND 58202, (701) 777-2234.

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Only Fighting Sioux player to wear a Super Bowl ring

# Former NFLer finds success and challenges off the football field

By Julie Liffbrig

Of all the things associated with being an NFL football player — intense competition, loyal fans, financial rewards, the thrill of victory, celebrity treatment — Errol Mann missed something very different when he retired in 1979 from a 12-and-a-half-year professional football career.

"I missed the people the most," he said in a recent phone interview from his Missoula, Mont., office. "In the NFL you're associated with very aggressive people, doers. . . people with flamboyant personalities who are outgoing and have zest and enthusiasm for life."

For him, adjusting from the NFL to life as a "normal" person was difficult.

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**Errol Mann, '67, retired NFL player**

"It was a change of life emotionally, physically and geographically," he said. "One day you're a pro football player and the next day you're not."

The long career he enjoyed is unusual in the NFL, where the average career lasts 3.8 years. This helped ease the change for him. "Some guys retire at age 25, 26, or 27 when it isn't a matter of physical ability," he said.

"For me, leaving the NFL was just a fact of life. I had three times the longevity of many players, and was 12 to 13 years older than a lot of them, which helped buffer the transition for me."

Mann grew up in Campbell, Minn., and was recruited to play football at UND after Sioux head coaches Marv Helling and Jerry Olson spotted his kicking ability at the State School of Science in Wahpeton. He led the Fighting Sioux in scoring in 1965, and during his senior year, 1966, he came in second in team scoring. He was also a key player in UND's bowl game victories in those consecutive seasons.

Upon graduating from UND in 1967, Mann was signed by the Denver Broncos. A series of leg injuries found him transferring between teams, with stints on the Cleveland Browns and the Green Bay Packers following his release from the Broncos.

In 1969, the Detroit Lions picked him up and he remained there until the middle of the 1976 season.

His found consistent success with the Lions. His lifetime scoring with Detroit totaled 636 points, including 213 extra points and 141 field goals. Prior to his release, he had become the Lions'

all-time leading scorer.

Mann's move to the Oakland Raiders proved to put the polish on his career. In 1977, Mann became the only former Sioux player to earn a Super Bowl ring when the Raiders defeated the Minnesota Vikings, 32-14. His career total scoring of 846 points ranked him 16th on the all-time NFL scoring list when he retired in 1979.

His success has followed him in his post-football career. After "decompressing" from the NFL, Mann tackled a number of agriculture and aircraft ventures in the Fergus Falls, Minn., area. For the last five years, he has lived in Missoula, where he is a stock broker with Piper Jaffray, Inc., a career he enjoys.

The humor and enthusiasm for life that characterized him as a player is still evident today, even over the phone. "My title is investment executive," he said. "But that's a little too polished -- just stockbroker would be fine!"

Living in western Montana suits him well. His hobbies include skiing, hunting, and fishing. He is also an aviation enthusiast and owns his own airplane, which he built. Although he has given up competitive athletics, he follows local, collegiate and professional sports. What's his favorite NFL team?

"Well, you gotta' like the Raiders," he said, and went on to explain that he enjoys following his many coaches and former teammates who continue to pursue NFL careers, such as Greg Landry (his roommate for seven years), Tom Flores, Sam Wyche, Dick Labeau, Jerry Glanville, Chuck Knox, Joe Bugel, Art Shell, etc.

Mann brings an interesting perspective



Errol Mann, '67, former Sioux and pro football player, is now an investment executive in Missoula, Mont.

to the debate regarding salaries for professional athletes.

"Are ball players overpaid? Compared to other people who have attained a similar level of excellence in what they do, I don't think so," he said. "Sure, there are some who are being paid way too much for what they are generating, but collectively they aren't overpaid."

He believes eventually the fans will say no. "They (sporting organizations) will price themselves out or over saturate markets," he said. "Supply and demand will take care of it."

To put it in Mann's own words, "Life has been a wonderful journey for me! The friendships, the experiences, the travels -- they have far exceeded what I would have envisioned as a youth. At this stage of the journey, I am overwhelmed with appreciation and a thirst for it not to end soon, no matter on which path life may take me. My gosh, it has been fun."

## NEWS NOTES

### '30s

**John Hjellum, '34**, was pictured in the winter issue of "Salmon News" for catching a 57-pound salmon at Rivers Inlet, Wash. He and his wife, **Helen (Fodness), '34**, live in Jamestown, N.D.



John Hjellum, '34

**Eva L. Gilbertson, M.D., '38, '39**, is practicing radiology part-time in Seattle, where she lives. She was recognized by the Washington State Medical Society for 50 years of medical practice in 1991.

### '50s

**Lyle Johnson, '53**, has received the Public Service Award from the North Dakota Society of Certified Public Accountants. He and his wife, Irene, live in Fargo.

**John N. Smith, '54, '59**, has retired after 30 years as a sales agent for Jo-stens, Inc. He and his wife, Sandy, live in Fountain Hills, Ariz.

**Gerald W. VandeWalle, '55, '58**, has been named Chief Justice of the North Dakota Supreme Court. He lives in Bismarck.

**Bennie Faul, '57**, was a retired physician in Worthington, Minn., before he and his wife, Helen, moved to Kenya this year to do missionary work.

**Dick Bromley, '58, '62**, is chairman of the Rockford (Ill.) College physical education department where he has taught for 30 years. He and his wife, Sally, live in Rockford.

**Joan (Pflugrath) Matthews, '58**, has been elected to a third term as a trustee at San Joaquin Delta Community College in Stockton, Calif. She and her husband, Samuel, live in Tracy, Calif.

**Gerald Protz, '58**, works with Guadalupe Social Services in Houston, Texas, where he and his wife, Sue, live.

### '60s

**Lee Rowe, '60**, was recently named chief executive officer of the Sons of Norway by the international board during its meeting in Trondheim, Norway. He and his wife, Becky, have five children and live in Plymouth, Minn.

**Mike Kuntz, '60**, was recognized by the Minnesota Association of School Administrators as a "35-year Administrator." He lives in Jackson, Minn.

**Judith Tillett, '60**, is a volunteer at the Assistance League and Hospice of Metro Denver. She recently spent a year on a planning committee for helping terminally ill children. She lives in Denver.

**Helen Bentson, '62**, is an art and calligraphy teacher at the American School in London, England, where she has lived for 20 years.

**Dr. Stephen W. Robinson, '61**, was a visiting scientist at the Swedish Museum of Natural History in Stockholm for the first five months in 1992. He lives in Menlo Park, Calif.

**William Tarnasky, '62**, has been elected vice chairman of the Idaho Section of The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He and his wife, Myrna,



William Tarnasky, '62

live in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

**Daryl Hornbacher, '63**, is a consultant to the environmental and hazardous waste permitting and control industry. He lives in Arvada, Colo., and is retired manager of environmental control at Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Component in Colorado.

**Hestor (Vick) Lindberg, '63**, is an interior designer. Her husband, Bob, is vice president-treasurer of Transamerica. They live in Moraga, Calif.

**Kathryn (Albert) Fisher, '65**, is president and owner of Bitterroot Motors, in Missoula, Mont., the largest Ford-Toyota dealership in the state. She and her husband, Mark, live in Missoula.

**Richard Taylor, '65, '67**, was recently appointed by the Minnesota State Supreme Court to an advisory committee on lawyer discipline. He and his wife, Mary Jane (Collins), '67, live in Crookston, Minn., and have three children.

**Don Wilke, '65**, is superintendent of schools for the Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton School District in Minnesota. He and his wife, Marilyn (Knutson), '66, live in Janesville, Minn.

**Zona (Neumann) Swanson, '66**, is vice-president of the Grand Forks Retired Teachers Association and president of the Northern Red River Valley Doll Club. She and her husband, Lyle, live in Grand Forks.

**SuEllen (Sampson) Shaw, '68**, is director of the new writing center at Moorhead (Minn.) State University. She and her husband, Richard, live in Fargo.



Richard Taylor, '65, '67

**David Gipp, '69**, president of United Tribes Technical College, received the North Dakota National Leadership Award, presented by Gov. George Sinner in September. He lives in Bismarck.

**C. Milton Smith, '69**, has been named director of the UND School of Medicine Family Medicine Residency Program in Minot, N.D., where he and his wife, Janice, live.

**Gary Storhoff, '69**, is professor of English and Associate Director of Campus at the University of Connecticut at Stamford. He and his wife, Linda (Tregren), '70, live in Danbury, Conn., with their two children.

### '70s

**Col. Carlton Bjerkaas, '70**, was recently promoted to colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He is director of program management and integration at Air Weather Service headquarters, and he oversees procurement of new weather systems for the USAF. He and his wife, Ester, live in O'Fallon, Ill.

**Janet Feder, '70**, is the director of Education Services at St. Luke's Hospital's MeriCare in Fargo, where she and her husband, Robert, live.

**Col. Gary Larsen, '70**, has been promoted to colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He is chairman of the department of Social Work at Wilford Hall Medical Center in San Antonio, Texas, where he and his wife, Lindee (Stenvold), '69, live. They have two children.

**Rev. Sverrer Lundh, '70**, has been recognized by his church for serving 35 years. He lives in Axtell, Kan.

**Col. Kent Rindy, '70**, was promoted to colonel in the U.S. Air Force in September. He is the commander of the 55th Mission Support Squadron. He and his wife, Marcia (Roble), '70, live in Omaha, Neb., and have two daughters.

**Pamela Schulte, '70, '77**, teaches government at a Nashville area high school. She lives in Nashville, Tenn. (More NEWS NOTES, Page 12)



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**Mark Watkins, '70**, is the senior Boeing 727 pilot instructor for DHL Worldwide Express in Cincinnati. His wife, **Cheryl (Sauer), '71**, is a case manager for Butler (Ohio) County Family Services. They live in West Chester, Ohio, and have two sons.

**W. Frederick Bartz, Jr., '71**, recently received the Purchasing Management Association of Cleveland's highest honor, the S. Holmes Mansfield Award. He lives in Hudson, Ohio.

**Mark Johnson, '72**, received a North Dakota National Leadership Award of Excellence from Gov. George Sinner for his service as president of the National Council of County Association Executives. He and his wife, **Charlene (Seifert), '68**, live in Bismarck.

**Sam Johnson, '73, '90**, received a first place award in the North Dakota Professional Communicators 1992 communications contest. He wrote a series of articles and brochures about state and local education. He and his wife, **Mary Ann (Hennessy), '81, '90**, both work in the Devils Lake (N.D.) school district and live in Devils Lake.

**Marcia E. Stout, '75**, is a museum curator in an historic district within Death Valley National Monument. She and her husband, Dale Housley, live in Death Valley, Calif.

**John Brownson Jr., '75**, has been appointed vice president of finance and operations for G.R. Herberger's Inc. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Farmington Hills, Mich.

**Dawn Nelson Fowler, '75**, teaches parenting and family life education at Youth Educational Services in Moorhead, Minn., where she and her husband, Raymond, live.

**Alice (Tweddell) Cheately, '77**, works with a committee to study and recommend programs for gifted school children in Manitoba, Canada. She lives in Winnipeg.

**John Palenberg, '77**, is a Washington, D.C.-based partner in the law firm of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, where he focuses on corporate finance and transactional work. He and his wife, Chieko, live in Falls Church, Va.

**Duane Schmalz, '77**, and his wife, **Janet (Law), '77**, both work for the

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Vicksburg, Mass., where they live.

**Tak Shing Kan, '77**, is a clinical specialist in the nuclear medicine department of Elizabeth General Medical in Elizabeth, N.J. He and his wife, Pauline, live in Sommerset, N.J.

**Dana Siewert, '78, '84**, is director of the Flight Operations Division at UND Aerospace Sciences in Grand Forks, where he lives.

**Michael Garrison, '79**, an associate professor and associate dean at North Dakota State University, was recently named outstanding teacher in the College of Business Administration. He and his wife, Amy, live in Fargo.

**John Grangaard, '79**, is director of research and an in-house counsel for Quaestus, a Milwaukee venture fund investing in the computer industry. He lives in Mequon, Wis.

**Carol Cooksley, '79**, has been named communications manager at Resources for Child Caring in St. Paul, Minn., where she and her husband, **Chris Stewart, '80**, live.

**Eric Wallace, '79**, was recently assigned to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio. His wife, **Carol (Johnson), '76**, is beginning a skin-care consulting business. They live in Dayton.

**Matt Stennes, '80**, is a project manager for Fluor Daniels Inc. Transportation Division. He and his wife, Linda, live in Costa Mesa, Calif.

**Peter Westrum, '80**, and his wife, **Susan (Palmer), '71**, recently completed a language program for people in Irian Jaya, Indonesia. The program has taken 20 years to develop. They now live in Blaine, Minn.

**Trish Murphy, '81**, is a research nurse at the University of Washington and a psychiatric staff nurse at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle, where she lives.

**Kathy M. Spilman, '81**, was recently promoted to Superintendent of Oil Movements South at Amoco Oil Company's Whiting Indiana Refinery. She lives in Chicago.

**Bruce Wessman, '81**, received the 1992 VA Secretary's "Hands and Heart" Award at the Fargo Veterans Administration Medical Center. He is a clinical physical therapist. His wife, **Carol (Van Duyn), '82**, works in personnel services with the Region I Education Data Processing Center. They live in Fargo.



Bruce Wessman, '81

**Rebecca Wilke, '81**, is co-founder of two literary groups in Rydal, Ga., where she and her husband, **Kent Langseth, '73**, live.

**Tom Lounsbury, '82**, is a captain with American Airlines in Dallas. He and his wife, Denise, live in Granbury, Texas.

**Kathleen Rueppel, '82**, is teaching Russian at the University of Texas-San Antonio. She is also tutoring Russian immigrants and helping them adapt to life in the United States. She and her husband, Herbert, live in San Antonio.

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### UND '77 graduate writes intriguing novel probing background and motives of Gulf War



Richard Melheim, '77

Richard Melheim uses a blend of fiction and fact in his recently released novel, "Unfinished Business," to raise unanswered questions about the origins of the Persian Gulf War. Melheim, a native of Williston, N.D., lives in Stillwater, Minn., where he is a pastor. He received his journalism degree from UND in 1977 and later attended the Luthern Northwestern Theological Seminary in St. Paul.

His new book combines a fictional American-Arab in Military Intelligence with real public figures. Melheim's other works include nine children's books, a comic strip, six musical comedies and two cantatas.

## IN MEMORIAM

**Charlotte M. "Lottie" (Cole) Whitney, '17**, Sept. 13, 1992, Grantville Falls, Minn.

**Lloyd W. Friedman, '20**, Nov. 11, 1992, Edina, Minn.

**Bernice R. (Henly-Bundy) McKenzie, '20**, Dec. 20, 1992, Northwood, N.D.

**Helen B. D. Evans, '21, '32**, Oct. 14, 1992, Blair, Neb.

**Donald R. Husband, '22**, Eugene, Ore.

**Earl J. Woods, '22**, Edina, Minn.

**Arthur L. Kramer, '23**, Dec. 10, 1992, East Grand Forks, Minn.

**Arthur Larson, '23**, April 8, 1992, Waukecha, Wis.

**Alice C. (Winje) Duba, '24**, Hankinson, N.D.

**John E. Wiley, '25**, June 18, 1992, Gathersburg, Md.

**Maud M. Dickinson, '26**, Dec. 13, 1992, Grand Forks.

**Norman T. Livdahl, '27**, Nov. 13, 1992, Hollywood, Calif.

**Elwood B. Parkinson, '27**, Aug. 11, 1992, LaCanada, Calif.

**J. Edmund Clarke, '28**, Nov. 21, 1992, Wausau, Wis.

**Stephen W. Collins, '28**, July 14, 1992, Portland, Ore.

**W. Maurice Harrington, '29**, Nov. 14, 1992, Minot, N.D.

**John K. "Jack" Walsh, '29**, Dec. 9, 1992, Virginia Beach, Va.

**Jean I. (McWalter) Hallen, '29**, Nov. 14, 1992, East Grand Forks, Minn.

**Irwin R. Dunnell, '30**, Golden, Colo.

**Robert L. Reynolds, '30**, Nov. 24, 1992, San Mateo, Calif.

**Sigvert R. Peterson, '31**, Nov. 30, 1992, Longview, Wash.

**Robert L. Burke, '32, '51**, Nov. 8, 1992, Grafton, N.D.

**Dr. Frank E. Stinchfield, '32**, HON., '73, Dec. 1, 1992, Bronx, N.Y.

**Jean L. (Mudgett) Taylor, '33**, June 17, 1992, Litchfield, Conn.

**Jean M. (Chapple) Haney, '34**, Tucson, Ariz.

**Richard H. Dablow, '35**, Oct. 31, 1992, Sun City, Ariz.

**Helen E. (Leigh) Bunas, '36**, Nov. 9, 1992, Sacramento, Calif.

**Dr. William E. Koerner, '36**, Nov. 16, 1992, Chapel Hill, N.C.

**Col. Robert H. Ruud, '36**, Oct. 3, 1992, Escondido, Calif.

**Charles E. Shirley, '36**, Oct. 19, 1992, Homosassa, Fla.

**Dr. Russell Enge, '36**, Nov. 15, 1992, Mesa, Ariz.

**Glenn V. Dill, '39**, Nov. 9, 1992, Napa, Calif.

**Lars L. Agneberg, '40**, Sept. 12, 1992, Whittier, Calif.

**William "Bill" Bentz, '40**, Lodi, Calif.

**Jens P. Nielsen, '42**, Nov. 3, 1992, Stanley, N.D.

**Sybil N. (Urness) Brislain, '42**, Vancouver, Wash.

**Howard A. Jensen, '43**, April 1988, Eden Prairie, Minn.

**George M. Aymond, '43**, Bemidji, Minn.

**Alvin W. Hoerauf, '43**, Salem, Ore.

**Ellsworth O. Silseth, '43**, August 1992, Minneapolis.

**James H. Smeds, '43**, Aug. 23, 1992, Hollywood, S.C.

**Dr. Werner E. Brand, '45**, Dec. 9, 1992, Moorhead, Minn.

**Lyle J. Wallace, '45, '52**, Nov. 13, 1992, Valisala, Calif.

**Karl G. Hoff, '46**, Nov. 22, 1992, Seattle.

**M. Jean Miller, '46**, August 1992, Omaha, Neb.

**Clarice M. (Jacobson) Lee, '47**, Nov. 4, 1992, Aneta, N.D.

**Daniel J. Harnett, '48**, Nov. 3, 1992, Los Angeles.

**J.S. "Pat" McGrath, '49**, Dec. 1, 1992, Fargo.

**Emmerick Robitschek, '49**, Zurich, Switzerland.

**Kenneth F. Schuett, '49**, Oct. 29, 1992, Bloomington, Minn.

**Karl K. Andersen, '50**, Dec. 11, 1992, Lakewood, Colo.

**Charles L. Crum, '50, '53**, Dec. 7, 1992, Las Vegas, Nev.

**Eilkay C. Larson, '50, '58**, Nov. 7, 1992, Kennedy, Minn.

**Dr. Maurice T. Russell, '50, '55, '64**, '70, Dec. 6, 1992, Grand Forks.

**James A. Wood, '50**, Dec. 8, 1992, Grand Forks.

**Dr. John W. "Jack" Hardy, '51, '56**, Nov. 29, 1992, Kansas City, Mo.

**James E. Tollefson, '53**, Dec. 13, 1992, Jamestown, N.D.

**L. Myrl Suckles, '55**, Nov. 15, 1992, Larimore, N.D.

**Barry W. Roseborough, '56**, April 1992, Huntington Woods, Mich.

**Dr. Loren R. Belker, '58**, Dec. 11, 1992, San Diego.

**Bruce A. Olson, '59**, Oct. 29, 1990, Fremont, Calif.

**Ann F. (Durray) Schaefer, '59**, Aug. 10, 1989, Reynolds, N.D.

**John W. Voll, '60**, Nov. 15, 1992, Hubertus, Wis.

**Gertrude K. "Trudie" (Kissner) Bullard, '60**, Nov. 15, 1992, Lansing, Mich.

**Kent H. Palm, '60**, Nov. 5, 1992, Reedsburg, Wis.

**Jerrold H. "Jerry" Bjorg, '61**, Nov. 26, 1992, Klamath Falls, Ore.

**Elmer C. Herrman, '62**, Oct. 23, 1992, Fergus Falls, Minn.

**Leroy W. Mitbo, '62**, St. Paul, Minn.

**Sheri A. (Fossum) Rollman, '64**, August 1990, Minot, N.D.

**Jerry K. Forte, '66**, Sept. 26, 1992, Bemidji, Minn.

**Louis I. Schreiner, '67**, Nov. 20, 1992, Golden Valley, Idaho.

**Marian K. (Paulsen) Tesky, '68**, Dec. 6, 1992, Gathersburg, Md.

**Gary D. Miller, '72, '78**, Dec. 18, 1992, Billings, Mont.

**Cleo R. (Jensen) Cleveland, '73, '74**, Nov. 5, 1992, East Grand Forks, Minn.

**Mark A. Markert, '75**, Nov. 29, 1992, Garrison, N.D.

**Mary J. (Roehrich) Maixner, '77**, Nov. 17, 1992, Minot, N.D.

**Dean M. Schuster, '79**, Nov. 25, 1992, Evanston, Ill.

**Cheryl L. (Lervick) Hilleren, '79**, Nov. 28, 1992, Watford City, N.D.

**Kenneth H. Medeiros, '79**, Nov. 11, 1992, Fairfax, Va.

**Howard O. Berg, Friend, Nov. 29, 1992**, Devils Lake, N.D.

**Frances (Hansen) Herlickson, Friend, Dec. 15, 1992**, Grand Forks.

**Selma E. (Ryan) Horr, Friend, Sept. 18, 1992**, Dublin, Calif.

**Erma B. (Baugh) Neel, Friend, Dec. 19, 1992**, Grand Forks.

**Carolyn Olson, Friend, Dec. 1, 1992**, Bismarck.

**Thea O. (Lybeck) Ostrom, Friend, Oct. 31, 1992**, Absarokee, Mont.

**Carl Robbins, Friend, Dec. 1, 1992**, Fargo.

**John W. Scott, Friend, Nov. 12, 1992**, Gilby, N.D.

**Dorothy L. Travis, Friend, Dec. 3, 1992**, Grand Forks.

**Dr. Rufus M. Vaughn, Friend, Gainesville, Fla.**

**Farent H. Patnaude, Retired Staff, Dec. 4, 1992**, Grand Forks.



# NEWS NOTES

**Deena (Zimmerman) Steen, '82**, teaches music at an elementary school in Raymond, Minn., where she and her husband, Harlan, live.

**Lynn Weltz, '82**, is moving to the former Soviet Union with Campus Crusade to train instructors. She has been with Campus Crusade for 10 years.

**Jeanne (Navagh) Radigan, '83**, is an accountant for the town of Massapequa, N.Y., where she and her husband, Kenneth, live.

**Timothy Spilman, '83, '85**, was selected as the 1992 Young Engineer of the Year in North Dakota by the National Society of Professional Engineers. He is a division gas engineer for Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. in Bismarck, where he lives.

**Jose Vasquez, '83**, has been appointed special assistant to the president for administrative affairs at the Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico where he is also a part-time professor in the School of Business. He lives in Condo, Puerto Rico.

**Mike Geatz, '84**, is president of USA Technologies Inc., a Hillsboro, N.D.-based company which developed a miniature computerized cash register. He and his wife, **Kelly (Wadholt), '85**, live in Fargo.

**Connie Frisby Griffin, '85**, is a substitute teacher in Okinawa, Japan, where her husband, Danny, is a captain in the Air Force. They live in Okinawa.

**Lisa (Krick) Hoffman, '85**, is a prevention specialist for Catholic Family Services in Rolla, N.D., where she and her husband, Duwayne, live.

**Teresa (Nelson) Bearrood, '86**, is a yield management analyst for Northwest Airlines. She and her husband, Douglas, live in Chanhassen, Minn.

**Denise (Charging) Bercier, '86**, was recently named North Dakota Indian Teacher of the Year by the North Dakota Indian Education Association. She is head of the special education department at the Turtle Mountain Community School. She and her husband, **Dennis, '91**, live in Belcourt, N.D.

**Marci (Sparks) Mack, '86**, was promoted to director of Program and Outreach for the North Dakota Special Olympics in August. She and her husband, Patrick, live in Grand Forks.



Marci (Sparks) Mack, '86

**Kelly Maguire, '86**, has been promoted to audit department manager of the accounting firm Deloitte & Touche in Denver, where she lives.

**Joan (Richards) Miller, '86**, was recently promoted to senior production engineer at Dow Chemical in Midland, Mich., where she lives.

**Dawn (Fyke) Brown, '87, '88**, is a speech-language pathologist for the Stony Plain-Lac St. Anne Health Unit. She and her husband, Kevin, live in Whitecourt, Alberta, Canada.

**Thomas Bale, '88**, has been promoted to merchandise/sales promotion manager of the Herberger's Store in Minot, N.D., where he lives.

**Lisa (Swanson) Eggert, '89**, is executive director of economic and community development in Ada, Minn. She and her husband, Rich, live in Moorhead, Minn.

**Curtis Meske, '89**, is a third-year medical student at the University of Minnesota, and is in the Rural Physician Associate Program in Cambridge, Minn. He lives in Stanchfield, Minn.

**Scott Miles, '89**, is a consumer lender at M&I Madison Bank in Madison, Wis., where he lives.

**'90s Pearl Forsgren, '90**, is a private duty nurse for Healthwise Home Care and also works for Hospice of the Red River Valley in Fargo. She and her husband, Howard, live in Mayville, N.D.

**Chad Holtz, '90**, has started Triple Play Pizza in Bismarck, where he and his wife, Cara, live.

**Kim Hove, '90**, has joined Porter Architects & Interiors of Grand Forks as an assistant in administration and client relations. She lives in Grand Forks.

**Darren Kress, '90**, is director of Training and Competition with the North Dakota Special Olympics in Grand Forks. His wife, Sara (Loberg), '91, manages Blue Frog Books. They live in Grand Forks.



Darren Kress, '90

**Grant Christianson, '91**, is a corporate auditor for Burlington Northern. He and his wife, **Teresa (Dunham), '88**, live in Eules, Texas.

**Jeff Jorgenson, '91**, is a marketing specialist with Promo Co., a marketing, public relations and video production company in Minot, N.D., where he lives.

**Kenneth Phillips, '91**, is a system safety program officer with the aviation branch of Transport Canada. He lives in Scarborough, Ontario, Canada.

**Jody VonRueden, '91**, has been appointed press secretary for N.D. Gov. Ed Schafer. She recently moved to Bismarck from Grand Forks.

**Brenna Rubin, '91**, works for Park Bank and is the assistant director of Studio One Dance School in Madison, Wis., where she lives.



Jody VonRueden, '91

## Camp Depression Tenants

We are gathering information about Camp Depression for possible use in a future *Alumni Review* feature story series. Please send us your memories about being a UND student during this trying time in our country's history. We would very much appreciate stories, anecdotes, pictures, written diaries and any other accounts from the proud alumni who experienced life in Camp Depression.

We want to share your stories with the generations of UND students and alumni who may not be aware of this period in UND's history. Please send your information to:

**UND Alumni Association  
attn: Julie Liffbrig  
Box 8157 University Station  
Grand Forks, ND 58202**

## Lost Alumni

### Can you help us find them?

We are always trying to keep our address records in the best shape possible. We've lost contact with the people listed below. Some have not been heard from since graduation, some have moved and not sent us a forwarding address, some have married and changed their names, some may have died.

We need your help. If you know where any of these people are, or if they are deceased, drop a note with either their current address or the date of their death to Alumni Records Supervisor, UND Alumni Association, Box 8157 University Station, Grand Forks, ND 58202, or call us at (701) 777-2611 or 1-800-543-8764.

People are listed by their last known name, year graduated or last attended, and hometown.

Floyd B. Ellingson, '31, Sharon, N.D.

Robert Laskowski, '31, Minot, N.D.

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Hugh J. Forest, '43, Brinsmade, N.D.

Sidona Poston, '43, Thief River Falls, Minn.

Lester A. Gronseth, '50, Grand Forks.

Franklin E. Brainard, '52, Deadwood, S.D.

Ethel K. Yoshimura Yamaguchi, '52, Kapaa, Ill.

Sharon L. Adkins Garcia, '61, Wahpeton, N.D.

Patricia L. Chandler, '62, Los Angeles.

Theodore Effos, '63, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

William M. Stevenson, '64, Vermillion, S.D.

Hazel Moore Geier, '70, Grand Forks.

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Shelley V. Rogers Kancitis, '74, Papillion, Neb.

Vienna M. Red Feather Koch, '76, Ft. Yates, N.D.

Lynnette M. Froese Birch, '80, Gretna, Manitoba, Canada.

Myron F. LaFontaine, '83, Hazen, N.D.

Hazel P. Vivier, '85, Belcourt, N.D.

## Fritz Benefit Auction III

### A sampling of items for the third annual "Friends of the Fritz Benefit Auction":

Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation 3-day mini-vacation in Medora, ND, Official Theodore Roosevelt Teddy Bear & Bully Watch

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K-LITE/KCNN Radio Autographed Michael Bolton blue jeans

Tom & Gayle Clifford Original Robert A. Nelson oil painting



Sanny Ryan, left, purchased the "Week in London" package donated by Wally Griffin, '62, at the 1992 Fritz Benefit Auction. She is pictured in Blenheim Castle with Diane (Webster) Kaiser, '63, Sheila Ryan Lloyd, and Gayle (Kielty) Clifford, '65. All the women are Alpha Phis.

Thursday, April 22, 1993

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## Friends

**Ole Johnson, Friend**, retired after more than 30 years of teaching high school and college. He lives in Portland, Ore.



## 1917 alumna meets UND's new leadership



A special guest at the Nov. 5 Valley City "Meet Ken and Toby Baker" Reunion was 1917 UND graduate Grace (Ellis) Bowen of Valley City. She is pictured, second from right, with President Ken and Toby Baker and Jan Strinden.

## GIVING CLUBS

Loyal alumni and friends' support is an important part of the University of North Dakota tradition. UND Foundation Giving Clubs honor those who, by reaching a level of giving, are showing their interest in the ongoing growth of UND. Thank you to the new Giving Club members for your support:

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Buford, N.D., man salvages rocks from site near Williston

## 60-million-year-old plant fossils donated to UND

Through the generosity of Clarice and Clarence Johnsrud of Buford, N.D., and the assistance of the Energy and Environmental Research Center (EERC), the University of North Dakota now possesses a significant collection of museum-quality Paleocene plants from near the town of Trenton, about 10 miles southwest of Williston, N.D.

The "Trenton Hill" locality fossils are in an atypically well-lithified siltstone from the Paleocene-age Sentinel Butte Formation. The flora, consisting of about 20 species, is about 60 million years old. The events leading to Johnsrud's acquisition of these fossils make for an interesting story that tells of his perseverance and love of fossil plants.

Hartman on trips to the Johnsrud farm, and they wrapped about 2,850 pounds of plant fossils and associated matrix.



These rare plant fossils are on display in Leonard Hall on the UND campus

Two of the donated slabs, weighing in at about 450 and 800 pounds apiece, are surfaced with plant leaves and stems.

These blocks will be mounted on oak platforms and on display at the EERC and in the museum area of the geology department in Leonard Hall.

The Johnsruds have contributed \$2,000 to help pay for the construction of the platforms, while the EERC will oversee the construction and cover the costs of mounting and installing these precious vestiges of the past.

An exhibit of selected specimens from the Johnsrud gift are currently on display in Leonard Hall. For more information, contact Joseph Hartman at the EERC, (701) 777-2551.

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In 1987, the North Dakota Department of Transportation was widening the road from U.S. Highway 2 to the Fort Union Historic Site, near the North Dakota-Montana border. Workers encountered a 20-inch-thick slab of rock that required removal.

A local resident spied the fossil plants in the large blocks (some up to 25-square feet in area) and told Johnsrud of their existence. Johnsrud asked officials to do something about saving what he considered to be an important discovery, and a construction foreman said he could haul away as much as he wanted.

After about seven days of breaking blocks to manageable sizes of between 400 and 800 pounds, he retrieved several tons of rock. The remaining blocks that he could not salvage now serve as roadfill, buried under the blacktop of Highway 1804.

During the course of discussions with EERC staff paleontologist Dr. Joseph Hartman about the fossils, Johnsrud decided that a substantial portion of his collection should be given to the UND Department of Geology and Geological Engineering for the purposes of display and education.

Geology students and EERC research assistants Wes Peck and Michelle Rolland accompanied



Clarence Johnsrud extracted a large cache of Paleocene plant fossils from a road construction site in western North Dakota

## Libbie and Nettie Wright Scholarship awarded



Tim Velner, center, was the 1992 recipient of the Libbie and Nettie Wright Scholarship. Velner is a second-year law student from Minneapolis. Pictured with him are Law School Dean W. J. Davis and UND Foundation Executive Vice President Earl S. Strinden. The scholarship was established within the UND Foundation by John Wright, '42, of Decatur, Ga., and formerly of Casselton, N.D., in honor of his late mother and grandmother.



# Year-end gifts honor loved ones, special friends

**Carol and Rod Clark, M.D., Grand Forks,** have made a direct gift of \$32,000 to the UND Foundation to support construction of the Bio-Information Learning Resources Center at the UND School of Medicine.



Carol and Rod, '46, Clark



The late Michael J. Clark, '72

The gift is in honor and memory of their son, Michael J. Clark, who died in 1990 at the age of 40. A 1972 UND accounting graduate, he worked as a CPA in Minneapolis for two years and farmed for 10 years in North Dakota. In 1983, he became a comptroller at Mesaba Airlines in Grand Rapids, Minn.

He and his wife, Ann Fowler, had two daughters. Ann continues to live with their children in Grand Rapids where she is a school counselor.

Rod and Carol Clark met while studying at UND. A Redwood Falls, Minn., native, Rod completed his bachelor of science in medicine degree in 1946, after serving in the Navy in World War II. He earned his medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1948.

Carol, a Grafton, N.D., native, transferred her credits from UND and completed a bachelor's degree in English in 1948 at Northwestern University.

Rod completed an obstetrics and gynecology residency, and in 1955, launched his practice in Nampa, Idaho. Two years later, the Clarks returned to Grand Forks where Rod practiced obstetrics and gynecology at the Grand Forks Clinic until retiring in 1987.

In addition to Michael, the Clarks have one daughter, Gail Golden, who has received two degrees from UND, the most recent in 1992.

By supporting this project for the future of UND's Medical School, the Clarks hope to help ensure the medical educational opportunities for this region's young people.

"There is no doubt the four-year medical school has been a very important factor in retaining physicians in North Dakota. Statistics have proven this," Clark said.

**Family, colleagues, students, and friends** of Ed Gaides have established the **Ed Gaides Scholarship Fund** in his honor and memory within the UND Foundation. The scholarship will be awarded to a senior in elementary education.

Glen Edward "Ed" Gaides was born in 1933 in Chicago. He grew up in Berwyn, Ill., where he married Roberta Sherwin in 1957. He completed his doctorate at the University of Illinois, where he taught physical science and elementary science methods.

He also taught elementary science education at Miami University, Ohio, before coming to the University of North Dakota in 1970 to develop the science curriculum for elementary education in UND's College of Education.

He subsequently joined the elementary faculty of the Center for Teaching and Learning where he served until his retirement in 1990. He died in September 1992. His wife, Roberta, resides in Grand Forks.

**Robert Neville, Port Huene, Calif., along with other family members and friends,** has established the **Capt. Ward Neville Memorial Scholarship Endowment** within the UND Foundation in honor and memory of his brother.

The endowment will fund scholarships to deserving high school graduates from the Zap, N.D., area who will be attending UND.

Ward Orville Neville was born in 1917 in Zap. He attended school in Zap and graduated from St. Paul (Minn.) Park High School in 1936. He entered the Army in 1941 and married Eugena K. Quakenbush in 1943.

During World War II, he served in the China-Burma-India Theatre, where he was commissioned as a first lieutenant. (He was posthumously promoted to the grade of captain on Aug. 10, 1950.)



The late Capt. Ward O. Neville

After World War II, Neville was stationed at Fort Ord in California, before being sent to Japan. He gave his life on Aug. 11, 1950, while leading his patrol to safety during a mission in Korea. Neville received a Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart.

**UND Head Swimming Coach Mike Stromberg, former coaches, swimming and diving alumni and special friends** have established the **Sioux Swimming and Diving Endowment** within the UND Foundation.

This endowment, funded with current and deferred gifts, will provide annual funding for priority needs within the Sioux Swimming and Diving Program. It will also help attract top student athletes to participate in the swimming and diving program at UND and continue its tradition of excellence.

**The Alven Kreil Memorial Scholarship Fund** has been established within the UND Foundation by the **Alven Kreil Family and the Great Plains Fishery Workers Association** in memory of Alven Kreil. The fund will be used to recognize outstanding students who have an interest in field biology.

Alven "Al" Kreil was born Feb. 1, 1934, in Jamestown, N.D., to Reinhold and Christine (Ruff) Kreil. He grew up in Jamestown, where he graduated from high school and at-

tended Jamestown College. He then earned a bachelor of science degree from Montana State University in Bozeman.

He married Marjorie Nelson, a Moorhead, Minn., native, in 1957 and they moved to Dickinson, N.D., in 1961, where Al worked for the North Dakota Game and Fish Department.

In 1964, Al became district fisheries manager in Devils Lake. Marjorie died in 1978, leaving Al and three children. He served as president of the Great Plains Fishery Workers Association in 1967 and was awarded an Honorary Life Membership for his contributions. He died in June 1991.

Towner natives **Karl and Neal Weber** have established the **Albert and Kathryn Weber Endowment** within the UND Foundation in honor and memory of their parents. The endowment will support priority needs within the UND chemistry and biology departments.

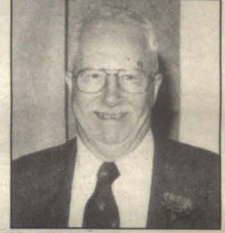
Albert Weber was born in 1875 in Dubuque, Iowa. Orphaned at a young age, he was raised by his uncle, John Weber, in Bismarck, and later by relatives in Minneapolis. Near the turn of the century, he received both bachelor's and master's degrees in law at the University of Minnesota. In 1902, he and A.M. Christianson formed the Christianson and Weber Law Office in Towner, N.D., where Albert practiced for the next 40 years.

Albert served as mayor, city commissioner, and several terms as county attorney. He and his wife, Kathryn (Boom), had six children, four of whom attended UND.

Their son, Neal, was born in 1908, and Karl in 1916. Neal graduated from UND in 1930 with a bachelor's degree in zoology and a chemistry minor. In 1932, he received a master's and a doctoral degree from Harvard. He also earned an honorary degree from UND in 1958.

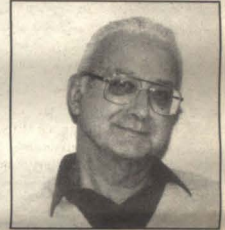
Neal retired in 1974, after

working for 27 years as a biology professor at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania. He is regarded internationally as an expert in his field and has published more than 145 articles and books and has received numerous awards.



Neal Weber, '30

In 1985, Neal received the UND Alumni Association's highest honor, the Sioux Award. He and his wife, Jean (Jeffery), '34, have three children and live in Tallahassee, Fla.



Karl Weber, '33

Karl Weber graduated from UND in 1933 with a chemistry major and German and biology minors. He received a doctorate degree in organic chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1941.

Karl worked as a research chemist for the next five years. In 1947, he joined the Central Intelligence Agency, just two months after its establishment.

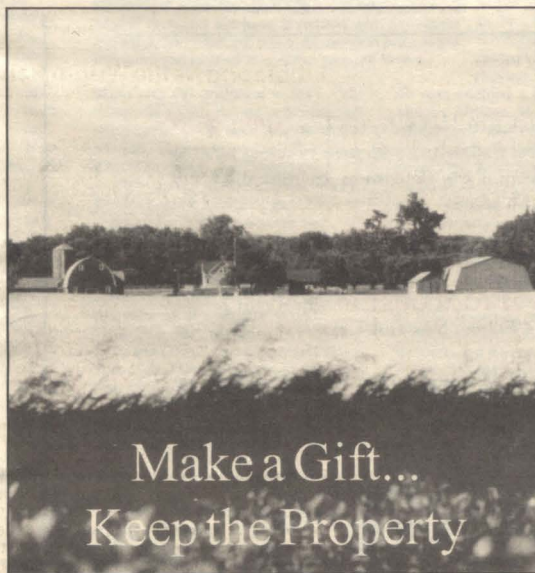
He spent 33 years with the CIA and upon retiring in 1980, received its highest award, the Distinguished Intelligence Medal.

He and his wife, Josephine, have four daughters and live in Oakton, Va.

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## Make a gift (but keep the property) with a UND Foundation Life Estate

By Dave Miedema  
 Senior Development Officer

Giving "by Will" (or through a Living Trust) is a popular method of charitable giving, allowing donors full control and retention of assets during life. This is important for many individuals since ready access to assets may be necessary to meet unforeseen needs of the future.



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A Life Estate arrangement is created with an irrevocable gift of a personal residence or farm for which the donor receives an immediate income tax deduction. The major difference between the Life Estate and an outright gift of such property is the donor retains full use of the property for life. The charitable deduction received is based on the age(s) of the donor(s), value of the property, and remaining useful life and salvage value (if applicable).

The term "personal residence" means any property used by its owner as a personal residence, al-

though such property need not be used as the owner's primary residence. Therefore, a lake cabin or vacation home qualifies for a Life Estate.

A "farm" typically refers to land, and may or may not include buildings.

Donors may continue to live in their house or work on their farm and retain all the benefits of conventional ownership even though they have deeded the property to the UND Foundation. Donors remain responsible for maintenance, taxes and insurance.

Here is an example of how a Life Estate can work for Mr. and Mrs. Donor, both age 70. By transferring their property valued at \$175,000 (house-\$150,000; lot-\$25,000) to the UND Foundation today, they receive an immediate charitable income tax deduction of \$43,148. In a 28 percent income tax bracket, this could save them up to \$12,081 in income taxes. This type of lifetime deferred gift provides a significant income tax deduction without an expenditure of cash or a reduction of income.

Mr. and Mrs. Donor accomplish their goals of reducing the size of their estate, reducing their income tax liability, and retaining lifetime use of their house. But above all, they are providing a significant gift to the University of North Dakota Foundation.

Please contact our office for more information on how a Life Estate could fit within your financial and estate plans.

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## THOMPSON

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parents by supporting priority needs at the University of North Dakota, including faculty awards and scholarships for high achieving and deserving students from North Dakota.

Thompson's parents, Anton and Anna, homesteaded near Pretty Rock, N.D., in Grant County, and later moved to the southeastern part of the state near Gwinner. They strongly believed in education, and Anton was a 1907 graduate of the University of North Dakota School of Law.

Thompson received his early education in Stirum, N.D. He completed high school at the Agricultural and Manual Arts High School in Fargo, which was then part of the state Agricultural College. In 1928, after two years of college in Fargo, he transferred to UND to study medicine. He received his bachelor of science degree in 1930, and one year later a bachelor of science in medicine. He transferred to Rush Medical College in Chicago to complete his final two years of medical school, earning his medical degree in 1934.

During his final year of medical school, Thompson served an internship at the Swedish Hospital in Seattle, after which he became a surgeon for three years with the United States Army.

Attracted to the Pacific Northwest, he moved back to Seattle in 1937 and started his private medical practice. A few years later, Thompson left to serve in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He returned in 1946, and again left his practice to serve as a medical doctor in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

After completing his military duty, he devoted 31 years to family medicine in the Seattle area. He continued his participation in the United States Air Force Reserve and, in 1964, he retired with the rank of Colonel. In 1984, he retired from medicine.

UND President Kendall Baker, in speaking for the University and future generations who will follow in Dr. Thompson's footsteps, said, "The generous contributions Dr. Thompson made to benefit the University of North Dakota will give present and future generations of students quality educational opportunities and will prepare them for productive and fulfilling careers."

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