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## NWSA President Receives Torch and Shield Award



Paul Proulx, second from left, received the Torch and Shield Award from (from left): University of Minnesota President Nils Hasselmo, UMC Chancellor Donald Sargeant, and Northwest Experiment Station Superintendent Larry Smith.

Paul Proulx, president of the NWSA Alumni Association, received a 1992 Torch and Shield Award from the University of Minnesota.

UMC's heritage dates back to the Northwest School of Agriculture days. Those are days Paul Proulx remembers. Proulx has been an avid supporter not only of the Northwest School, but also of the University of Minnesota, Crookston.

He is a graduate of the Northwest School of Agriculture and

has served on the alumni board for five years - two as president.

Proulx graduated from Cathedral High School in Crookston and St. John's University. He has been very active in his church and community.

After working on area construction projects for a number of years he started Proulx Refrigeration, Heating, and Air Conditioning in 1961. Two of his sons are associates with him now.

Proulx and his wife, Lois, have 11 children (6 boys and 5 girls).

## Scholarships Awarded



The Andrew and Elmer Wardeberg Memorial Scholarship is awarded to descendants of Northwest School of Agriculture alumni. Receiving the scholarship this year are, back row from left: DeWayne Miska, Euclid; Joel Ziegler, Georgetown; Dale Vathauer, Red Lake Falls; Matthew Okeson, Detroit Lakes; Donovan Quam, Goodridge. Middle: Brandy Toft, Williams; Craig Sharp, Hamilton, North Dakota. At right: Tanya Williams, Ada; Rhonda Olson, East Grand Forks; Gayle Ovsak, Crookston. Lois and Paul Proulx, president of the NWSA Alumni Association represented the Wardeberg family in presenting the scholarship. Also receiving the scholarship, but not pictured, are: Kevin Dufault, Crookston; Jennifer Nelson, McIntosh; Shawn Overgaard, Crookston and Chad Zammert, Crookston.



The NWSA Heritage Fund and The Northwest School of Agriculture Scholarships were awarded to four UMC students this year. The NWSA Heritage Fund was established in 1989 and is awarded to direct descendants of Northwest School of Agriculture alumni. The Northwest School of Agriculture Scholarship is awarded to a returning agriculture major based on the potential for substantial growth in knowledge and citizenship. Receiving the scholarships are, back row: Nathan Benesh, Crookston; and Charles McNamee, Mahnomon. Front row: Amie Demarais, Plummer; and presenting the award are Lois and Paul Proulx. Also receiving the scholarship, but not pictured is Barry Dowers, Thief River Falls.

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# NWSA Alumni Reunion - June 26, 1993



# Larson's Notes

By the time you receive this newsletter 1992 will be history. So many important events and activities took place, we decided to expand this newsletter to include the Crookston Times Tabloid to better provide you with information about what is going on at the University of Minnesota, Crookston Campus.

## Accomplishments During the Past Year:

- Four-year Degree Program Proposal:** The proposal to offer selected four-year degree programs at the Crookston campus continues to move forward. At the December 11, 1992 meeting, the Board of Regents directed the UMC administration to forward the proposal to the Minnesota Higher Education Coordinating Board (MHECB) for review and recommendations. Following the MHECB review, the proposal will be presented for usual consideration by the Board of Regents. If UMC's proposal proceeds as planned, The Crookston campus will begin offering upper-level classes in the fall of 1993.
- Gift Program:** Gifts from 1,433 alumni, faculty/staff and friends supported a variety of programs conducted by UMC, the Northwest Experiment Station and the UMC and Northwest School of Agriculture Alumni Associations. The largest portion of the gifts received was utilized to support student scholarships. Approximately 250 students received scholarships or awards at the Scholarship Banquet in December.
- Donors Honored:** More than 40 donors were honored by induction into one of our Gift Clubs at the Annual Torch and Shield Banquet in November.
- Class Reunion:** The 1992 Class Reunion was very successful. More than 300 Aggies, spouses and friends participated in the activities. Wallace Miller '24, Lucille Hedlund Kildahl '37 and Leonard Yutrzenka '42 were honored as Top Aggies and a ceremony was held to dedicate a plaque to the men and women of the NWSA who served in the Armed Forces during the Korean Conflict.

## Future Activities:

- Phonathon:** During the months of January, February, March and April we will be conducting fund-raising campaigns with our UMC and NWSA Alumni, Faculty and Staff, the Community/Region for Scholarships and the Northwest Educational Improvement Association membership drive. We will be talking with many of you during our annual phonathon.
- Socials:** On January 30, 1993, from 2 to 5 p.m., we will hold an Alumni Social at The Club at Cimarron, 1200 South Shary Road, Mission, Texas. UMC and NWSA Alumni and friends of the University are all invited to attend. Call me if you want more information at 1-800-232-6466 or 218-281-6510, ext. 336 or 337. Marjorie Ofstedahl Hanson '43 and her husband, Si, are working with us as our "Texas Connection." A second social is planned for April 15 in the Twin Cities.
- Reunion:** The NWSA Class Reunion is scheduled for June 26, 1993. Honored classes this year are the classes of 1943 (50 years) and 1968 (25 years). Other reunion classes include: '23, '28, '33, '38, '48, '53, '58 and '63. Class leaders and the Alumni office will send out information during the next couple of months.

As you can see the months ahead will be very active ones in the White House Alumni Center. Nevertheless, we always enjoy visiting with our alumni and friends so please stop in to see us if you're on campus.

On behalf of the University's Crookston Campus and the External Relations staff, I want to thank all of you for the moral and financial support you so generously provide to us. May 1993 provide for you a time of personal achievement and self-satisfaction.

--Allan Larson

# Thank You Donors

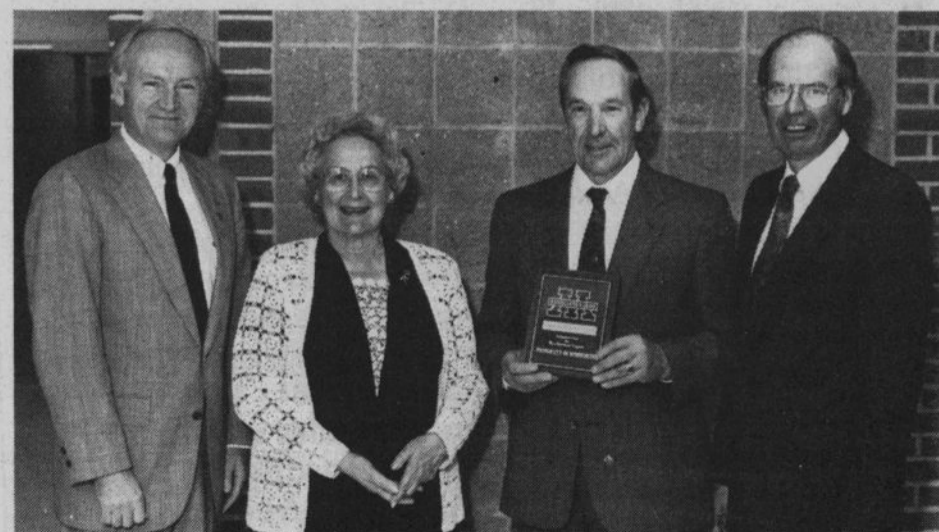
NWSA Alumni honored as donors by induction into Gift Clubs at the Torch and Shield Banquet. Also recognized, but not pictured, was Lyle Kasprick, Presidents Club.



**Marjorie and Silas Hanson - Presidents Club**  
From left are: University President Nils Hasselmo, Marjorie and Silas Hanson, and UMC Chancellor Donald Sargeant.



**Paul and Lois Proulx - Associates 1000**  
From left are: University President Nils Hasselmo, Lois and Paul Proulx, UMC Chancellor Donald Sargeant, and Superintendent of the Northwest Experiment Station Larry Smith.



**Clarence and Edna Sargent - Associates 1000**  
From left are: University President Nils Hasselmo, Edna and Clarence Sargent, and UMC Chancellor Donald Sargeant.



# Top Aggie Nominations

Each year the Northwest School of Agriculture Alumni Board selects several alumni to be honored with the Top Aggie Award during the reunion festivities.

Top Aggies are selected on the basis of five criteria:

- **NWSA:** activities, highlights and impact on individual
- **Education:** personal growth, participation and service
- **Work:** history, service and contributions
- **Service:** community, church, nonprofit organizations
- **Other:** service or commitments

Generally the candidates are selected from the classes that are celebrating their class reunion, however, an occasional exception will be made to this guideline. This year the classes of '23, '28, '33, '38, '43, '48, '53, '58, '63 and '68 will celebrate reunions.

Please utilize the form provided below to submit the names of NWSA alumni you wish to nominate for Top Aggie consideration. Nominations must be submitted to the Alumni Office by February 16, 1993.

## Outstanding Alumni Nomination Form

### Nominee:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (work) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:  
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## The Third Annual UMC/NWSA Community Golf Classic

The Golf Committee is busy planning a Golf Tournament and Dinner for Saturday, July 17, 1993.

The Golf Committee is busy developing plans for the Third Annual UMC/NWSA Alumni and Community Golf Classic which will be held at Minakwa Golf Club on Saturday, July 17, 1993. Tee-off time is 11:30 a.m. (shotgun start).

Plans are to utilize a Texas Scramble format with five golfers on each team. In addition, we hope to assign a Celebrity/VIP golfer to several of the established teams.

Golfers will be permitted to set up their own teams using the following criteria:

1. The five member team handicap must equal 45 or more for 9 holes (celebrity/VIP excluded).
2. Not more than two members of the team can have 9 hole handicaps of five or less.

Individuals who wish to play in the tournament, but are not included in one of the pre-established teams, will be assigned to teams made up by the Golf Committee. Both men and women are invited to participate. If you do not have an established handicap, the Golf Committee will establish one for you.

Registration costs for the tournament will be \$40.00 per golfer. These fees will cover green fees, participation gifts, dinner, prizes and a contribution to the UMC Scholarship Fund or Program Development Fund.

Participation will be limited to the first 90 golfers who pay their registration fees. Fees must be paid by July 10.

More information and registration forms will be provided in the spring issue of the newsletter. In the meantime, if you would like additional tournament information, contact Allan Larson at the White House Alumni Center 218/281-6510, ext. 336 or one of the following committee members:

- John Peters
- Jerry Hasbrouck
- Kyle Pearson
- Dave Bang
- Rob Jacobson
- Ralph Pester
- Mike Siekas
- Steve Biermeier
- Harold Opgrand
- Jackie Holten
- John Carlson
- Marv Bachmeier

Mark your calendar -- start planning now to join us for this fun-filled event.



# Scholarships (continued from page 1)



The Wallace and Hanna Miller Scholarship was established in 1991. The scholarship recognizes deserving students who wish to further their education at UMC. Receiving this year's scholarship were, from left: Jesse Brinkman, McIntosh; Jodi Grummer, Cross Lake; Craig Sharp, Hamilton, ND; and Valerie Nowacki, Marshall. Also receiving the scholarship, but not pictured, are: Carmen Foxen, Cavalier, ND, and David Query, Crookston.

## NWSA Descendants Utilize Scholarship

At the 1992 Scholarship Banquet, 19 UMC students were awarded NWSA descendant scholarships. Four of the awards were supported by Aggie contributions to the NWSA Heritage Fund, 14 were awarded from the Elmer and Andrew Wardeberg Memorial Scholarship Fund, and one was awarded from funds contributed by Lyle Kasprick.

It is most gratifying that so many NWSA descendants take advantage of these scholarships and choose to attend UMC to further their education. We are especially grateful to the NWSA alumni who made financial contributions which make these awards possible. Your gifts continue to build upon the proud "Aggie Heritage."

As we prepare for entry into the 1993-94 academic year, we would appreciate your encouraging your descendants to attend UMC. Scholarship applications and other pertinent data are available from the UMC Admissions Office (218) 281-6510, ext. 369 or 368.

### Scholarship Recipients:

- Amie Demarais ..... Earl Proulx (grandfather)
- Barry Dowers ..... Ralph Dowers (grandfather)
- Kevin Dufault ..... Michael Dufault (father)
- Aaron Enge ..... Marjorie Ofstedahl Hanson (grandmother)
- Colette Erck ..... Willis Wagner (grandfather)
- Charles McNamee ..... Robert McNamee (father)
- DeWayne Miska ..... DeWayne Miska (NWSA student)
- Jennifer Nelson ..... Bruce Nelson (father)
- Matthew Okeson ..... Duane Okeson (grandfather)
- Ronda Olson ..... Ronald Olson (father)
- Shawn Overgaard ..... Earl Overgaard (father)
- Gayle Ovsak ..... Gene Ovsak (father)
- Donovan Quam ..... Elton Quam (grandfather)
- Craig Sharp ..... Ronald Sharp (father)
- Brandy Toft ..... Terry Rebarcheck Toft (mother)
- Dale Vatthauer ..... Don Vatthauer (father)
- Tanya Williams ..... Robert Williams (father)
- Chad Zammert ..... Charles Zammert (father)
- Joel Ziegler ..... David Ziegler (father)

## A Tribute

A good friend of the Northwest School of Agriculture (NWSA) Clifford Dahlsad died this fall. We will miss Cliff. He and his wife Vivian attended the NWSA reunions, as well as many UMC events. Cliff was a strong contributor to the White House restoration project, giving both his time and financial support.

We will miss a great supporter.

## Sisterly News



The "8 Baird" girls, formerly from Crookston, gathered in Terrabonne, Oregon, this summer at the home of Helen Baird McBride for a few days to catch up on sisterly news. Sightseeing, visiting and eating was enjoyed by all. The first of the "Baird" girls graduated in 1939 and the last in 1956.

Pictured they are: Standing - Ruth Harker, 1947, Fairfield, CA; Tillie Hover, 1949, Portland, OR; Bernice Kline, 1952, Silver City, NM; Mary Hegg, 1954, Milbank, SD. Seated - Evelyn Epema, 1942, Black River Falls, WI; Helen McBride, 1941, Terrabonne, OR; Jean Olson, 1940, Veradale, WA; June Simpson, 1939, Winston, OR.

## UMC/NWSA Alumni & Friends Socials

### Twin Cities Area Social

Thursday, April 15, 1993  
Nicollet Island Inn  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

For more information call:  
White House  
Alumni Center  
1-800-232-6466, ext. 337

### Texas Social

Saturday, January 30, 1993  
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
McAllen, Texas Area

Marge and Si Hanson  
Alumni Coordinators

Herschel Lysaker, former UMC athletic director, was inducted into Concordia College's Athletic Hall of Fame. Lysaker was one of five inductees honored at an Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet held recently.

From 1944 until 1966 Lysaker was NWSA summer home project supervisor. In 1966 he joined the staff of the University of Minnesota, Crookston. He was athletic director and coach at UMC from 1966 to 1970. From 1970 to 1973 he served as athletic director and counselor.