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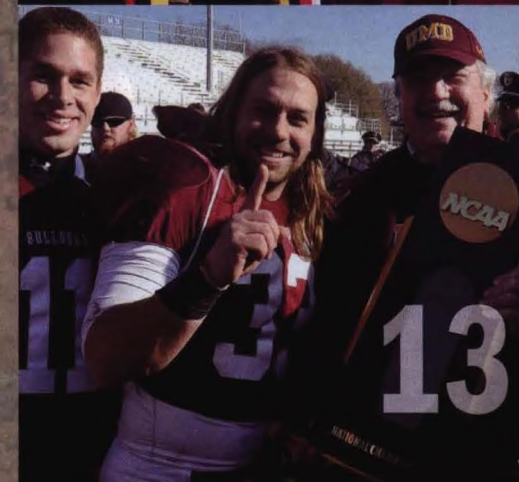
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A Message from the Chancellor

DR. LENDLEY C. (LYNN) BLACK

Greetings, Alumni and Friends

My first year at UMD has been incredible. My family and I will always remember the outstanding week of Inauguration activities the campus presented in early March. It was humbling to be so warmly welcomed into the campus community. I was honored by the celebration and am grateful for the privilege to share in UMD's rich history in my role as its ninth chancellor.

The week-long Inauguration celebration included TEDxUMD, where students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members showcased "a marathon of ideas." State Sen. Roger Reinert, St. Louis County Commissioner Steve O'Neil (MSW '80), and Duluth Mayor Don Ness ('97) were among the memorable presenters. The Inauguration ended with a very special project, the CHAMP Day of Service, which included 300 students and staff who volunteered at 30 non-profit sites in the Duluth area. This was the first of what we hope to be an annual event.

Chancellor Black with David McMillan '83. McMillan, senior vice president of ALLETE, was appointed to the University of Minnesota Board of Regents in Spring 2011.



My wife, Connie, and I have come to appreciate the unique place UMD holds. There is something indefinably magnificent about this area of northeastern Minnesota that is an integral part of UMD. The bustle of the international port, taconite rail cars, grain elevators, artistic performances, museums, and even the Aerial Lift Bridge are intrinsic to UMD and to the community that surrounds us. Stands of old growth pine, open pit mines, cabins, and lakes create a unique environment for us to work and grow. Throughout its 116-year history, UMD has contributed to the success of the region, from the earliest explorations to the explosion of industry and tourism. The heritage of American Indians and the first European settlers is evident. Most of all, Lake Superior with its breathtaking beauty and power, is UMD's laboratory and source of recreation and inspiration. Connie and I are very pleased to make Duluth our home.

This is an exciting time on campus. As this issue goes to print, the campus is getting ready to welcome another strong class of first-year students to UMD. Again this year, we welcome the students with an expanded Bulldog Welcome Week to ease their transition to UMD and equip them with tools for academic success.

A new residence hall has opened, and UMD has the opportunity to honor one of its leaders, Chancellor Emeritus Lawrence A. Ianni, who served as chancellor from 1987-1995. Ianni Hall features living spaces for 287 students and study halls that boast panoramic views of the lake and the hillside.

On the following pages, you will find more information about the UMD Strategic Plan. This process began last fall and ended in May with a new Strategic Plan that includes a new mission statement, vision statement, core values, and goals. Not only was this an important process for UMD, it also brought me into close contact with opinion leaders from across campus, in the city of Duluth, in the region, and from around the state. I am proud of the work we have completed, which involved input from more than 2,000 people. They share with me the desire for UMD to become among the best higher education institutions of its type in the country. We also desire to become a more inclusive and diverse campus, to be more active in pursuing sustainable initiatives, and to be even more connected to the community. I am excited about our vision for a stronger, more focused university. Work has already begun on the action steps to meet the goals of the Strategic Plan, which will be regularly updated to meet the changing needs of the campus and the community.

UMD has reorganized some of its departments. Two of our trusted and longstanding senior administrators

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retired this summer: Vince Magnuson, vice chancellor for academic administration, and Greg Fox, vice chancellor for finance and operations. With their departure, we have realigned positions to meet UMD's most critical needs. It was my privilege to serve my first year with Vince and Greg. They will be missed.

The year has been filled with many amazing experiences, including celebrating national championships in football and in men's hockey. I have just begun to meet the alumni who have made outstanding contributions in every corner of the country and abroad. During a day-long trip to tour a taconite mine on the Iron Range, I met alumni working as mechanical, environmental, chemical, electrical, and civil engineers. I met bankers, lawyers, educators, and marketing professionals, all engaged in global commerce.

UMD educates the whole person. I have seen the evidence in the alumni I meet. UMD champions creativity and at the same time, it is an economic force. It places our alumni inside the vortex of expression, entrepreneurship, industry, and corporate strength.

I thank you for the part you play in making UMD strong. I appreciate you, our alumni and friends, for your generous support. You are a phenomenal resource. I especially thank you for allowing me to join you on the journey ahead, to help UMD reach its highest potential.

Rendley C. Black

REINVENTING UMD

The Strategic Plan

During the 2010-2011 academic year, UMD faculty, staff, students, alumni, donors, and community leaders prepared a Strategic Plan for UMD, a plan designed to guide the university through the next five years or more. Initiated by Chancellor Lendley C. Black, the process allowed over 2,000 people to serve on committees, add comments at meetings, or submit input online.

The plan articulates a refined mission, vision, statement of core values, and set of campus goals, all acting as guides for decision-making at UMD. UMD took the planning process seriously, crafting not only goals but specific action steps.

The plan sets UMD apart from other institutions. Specific phrases in the document reflect the input received and pay tribute to UMD's roots as a land-grant and a sea-grant university. That designation refers to UMD's charge to protect natural resources as well as educate Minnesota's citizens. The new plan also champions the opportunity to strengthen ties with Duluth and surrounding communities. It makes a commitment to diversity and to serve the educational needs of indigenous peoples.

This strategic plan challenges UMD to strive for more accomplishments and achievements, and creates a structure to fund initiatives deemed important. "One of our opportunities is to expand our presence and reach so that we have a much greater national reputation. That, I think, is very much within our grasp," Black said.

One visionary message in the plan is to encourage living-learning communities, where students and faculty take instruction outside of the classroom for more meaningful experiences. An increasingly diverse society and the current economy, with its international connections, are reflected in the plan. "We live in a global society," Black said. "The plan acknowledges that diversity and innovation work together to make an impact around the world."

The power of the plan comes from the thousands of stakeholders who added their viewpoints. Their message turned out to be clear and centered, taking UMD in a new direction, while building on the past. "The plan provides a sharper focus on UMD's distinctive attributes and its niche among the best higher educational institutions of its type in the country," Black said. "Modest growth and a concentration on doing more of what we do best will allow us to continue standing shoulder to shoulder with the finest universities anywhere."

Dennis Falk, professor in the Department of Social Work, led the 12-member executive team and the 35-member committee who worked on both plans. "The exciting thing is that the campus community is already engaged in the action steps," he said. "Because we made the planning process and the execution of the goals a priority, we are already well on our way."

To view UMD's Strategic Plan, visit: www.d.umn.edu/chancellor/planning/
To order a copy of UMD's Strategic Plan, contact chan@d.umn.edu or call 218-726-7106.

UMD Strategic Plan Core Values

Learning

Discovery

Engagement

Inclusiveness

Sustainability

Integrity

Excellence



SUPPORTING UMD

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A group of Eddy Scholarship recipients

Watching the motion picture, *The King's Speech*, gives viewers a glimpse of the anxiety, frustration, and terror experienced by those who stutter. While the film is set in the glamorous world of British royalty and the stakes are high, where a king who stutters must deliver a live radio speech to his nation on the verge of war, one doesn't have to look to the past or cross the ocean to find people dealing with speech problems.

UMD's Robert F. Pierce Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic serves people of all ages with communication problems, and thanks to the generosity of Duluth native Edwin H. Eddy, who knew the pain of stuttering, help is available to many who might otherwise go without it.

Because he stuttered as a child, Eddy's parents were understandably protective of him. When he grew into adulthood and didn't outgrow his severe stutter, it made him increasingly self-conscious. A distant cousin, Elizabeth Simonson, who is a trustee on the board of the Eddy Foundation, remembers him from family gatherings. "Because of his stutter, he was extremely shy and tended to stay close to home. He loved children, but unfortunately never married or had children of his own," she said. Eddy left \$1.6 million in his will to establish the Edwin H. Eddy

Charitable Foundation, which funds UMD's Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic.

Cindy Spillers, associate professor in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, said, "We help all ages and all kinds of communication disorders." UMD graduate students and undergraduate seniors in the department facilitate the clinic under the supervision of faculty. They see a number of children with communication disorders, but the clinic actually serves more adults than children. "We have one group for individuals who have had strokes. We have another group for those who have suffered traumatic brain injury," she said. They also see individuals who are autistic, have severe cerebral palsy, and degenerative communication disorders as a result of ALS, Parkinson's, and multiple sclerosis.

Because the clinic is a teaching clinic, they don't charge the market rate, making their services very affordable. "We don't take insurance," Spillers explained, "but we give clients all the paperwork they need to submit claims." And she also notes that financial assistance is available for individuals who fall below U.S. income guidelines established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The Edwin H. Eddy Charitable Foundation also awards scholarships each year to undergraduate and graduate students in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. Simonson helps to review the applications. "Every time we award scholarships, I think that Edwin would be so proud," she said. In September 2010, Eddy scholarship monies were awarded to 12 undergraduates, 14 first-year graduate students, and 15 second-year graduate students majoring in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

In addition, the Eddy Foundation funds the Edwin H. Eddy Lectures at UMD. National and international speakers give lectures throughout the year to speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and other related professionals.

EDWIN H. EDDY

EDDY'S GENEROSITY



Judy McCray (left), and Frank McCray, Jr. (right) with mentor and friend Chris Christensen

FRANK MCCRAY

LOVE OF LEARNING

Frank McCray, Jr., who passed away early in 2011, grew up in the small town of Chiefland, Fla., with the love of reading. A librarian heard about this little boy. Black people were not allowed in the library, so each week he would knock at the back door. He'd stand outside, then give the librarian the bag of books he had read, and receive the new books the librarian had chosen for him. This love of reading gave McCray an understanding of the world, and his ultimate college choice became the University of Minnesota. The large, urban campus wasn't quite right, but UMD was perfect.

FROM ENTEBBE UGANDA TO THE TWIN CITIES, DULUTH FELT LIKE HOME

At UMD, McCray made friends of classmates and faculty, including English Professor Bob Owens. His classmates brought him home for dinner and the Christensen family became life-long friends, especially

Chris Christensen, father of six. McCray's academic record at UMD was stellar. He received his B.A. ('67) and M.A. ('71) in English and after graduation, he worked for Duluth Mayor Ben Boo while taking classes toward his Ph.D. His next career move was teaching in two Minnesota public schools.

Bob Owens and Bob's wife, Mary Jane, helped McCray make an exciting connection. Their African experiences influenced McCray to secure a teaching job in Uganda. Two years passed at a school near Entebbe, Uganda, before political unrest and the policies of dictator Idi Amin overtook the country. Late one night, McCray heard a knock on his door; it was a friend who told McCray he should leave the country immediately.

At the airport, McCray waited for the first plane. His name was called over the loud speaker, and he was taken away. To his relief, it wasn't the police who wanted to see him, it was his students who had come to say goodbye. But more terror was ahead. McCray didn't have the American dollars for the ticket, and Ugandan money was worthless. Finally, the airline staff put him on the plane, making him promise to pay when he landed.

Back in Minnesota, McCray began working in Roseville and soon after met Judy Jenkinson. A coincidence brought them together; they each had season tickets to the symphony. They married in 1975; their daughter, Elizabeth, arrived in 1976 and their son, Christopher, six years later.

McCray taught Human Relations classes part-time at Anoka-Ramsey and Normandale Community Colleges in addition to his human relations consultant position in Roseville. One summer, while waiting for his fall assignment, McCray was approached to be an insurance agent. He immediately enjoyed it. He genuinely cared about his clients, listened to their needs, and still was an educator.

The McCrays often stayed with the Christensens or Bob and Mary Jane Owens. "Visiting Duluth always felt like going home," Judy said.

The connection and generosity continues. After Frank McCray passed away, his wife, Judy, and children, Elizabeth and Christopher, honored Frank's wishes and established the Frank McCray, Jr. Achievement Scholarship. McCray often gave credit for his success to his background at UMD. The family expects to award the first scholarship in spring 2012.



Left: Eric Swildens Right: UMD's Formula One-style race car team

ERIC SWILDENS

SOFTWARE ENTREPRENEUR

Eric Swildens, who graduated from UMD in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in computer science, was inducted into the 2006 Academy of Science and Engineering at age 34, the youngest inductee in the history of the academy.

Now, Swildens serves on the Swenson College of Science and Engineering (SCSE) external advisory board. "The board helps UMD with outside feedback," he said. "We provide a corporate and external viewpoint to help students get jobs when they graduate. We know what skills are needed and what UMD needs to do to make graduates attractive to hiring."

"THEY BECAME MUCH MORE THAN JUST SCHOOL PROJECTS, THEY BECAME PART OF ME"

At a SCSE External Advisory Board meeting, UMD student Dana Johnson, a double major in mechanical engineering and industrial engineering, gave a presentation on UMD's Formula One-style race car. The student group, part of the Society of Automotive Engineers, designs, constructs, and tests a Formula One-style race car in order to compete in the nationwide competition. Swildens was impressed. So impressed, he made a donation to support the project.

Perhaps Swildens sees a bit of himself in the students working on the race car. He remembers throwing himself into his assignments. "They became much more than just school projects, they became part of me," he said.

Swildens acknowledges the assistance he received. "UMD faculty were very good," he said. "They helped me get interviews, which led to my first job at Control Data. They got me started in a career as a computer science engineer."

It's been quite a career. After graduating from UMD, and the

brief stretch at Control Data Corp. in Minneapolis, Swildens landed in Silicon Valley. He had a hand in a wide range of products — network servers, user-interface frameworks, interactive gaming, developer tools, 3D graphics systems and others. He took on increasingly challenging positions in software development, basing two companies on his ideas, Microline Software and Speedera Networks.

In 1996, he co-founded and was CEO of Microline Software in Sunnyvale, Calif. The company, which used Java technology and developed graphic user interface software, was sold one year later.

In 1999, along with two co-founders, Swildens created Speedera Networks, a web-based content delivery company. Speedera created an on-demand, utility-like solution that provided outsourced services for companies seeking to extend their Web presence — companies such as NASA, Fox Broadcasting, and Sony Music Entertainment. "We developed the largest servers in the world to deliver the largest websites," he said. The company went global and was sold in 2005.

Recently, Swildens has changed directions, co-founding Waba Financial, which specializes in commercial real estate in the Twin Cities.

Faculty say Swildens thrived in a science environment. They predicted his success. Carolyn Crouch, professor and director of graduate students for the Department of Computer Science said, "I remember him as a fine student and someone who was active in class participations. He certainly stood out."

"Being inducted into the Academy of Science and Engineering was a huge privilege for me," he said. "I tried different classes and majors until I realized that I should major in computer technology, because it came naturally to me." Swildens credits UMD with giving him the tools he needed to succeed in the computer industry.



Cheng-Khee Chee in his studio

A renowned watercolorist, Cheng-Khee Chee began his professional life with dual careers as a librarian and art instructor. He became a full-time artist after his retirement from UMD in 1994.

Chee came to America in 1962 and received his master's degree from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities in 1964.

HE ENCOURAGES YOUNG ARTISTIC SCHOLARS WHENEVER POSSIBLE

receiving national recognition as an accomplished watercolorist, he started teaching watercolor courses at UMD from 1979 until his retirement.

Chee is also widely known for his artwork in the bestselling children's book, *Old Turtle*, receiving the 1994 American Booksellers Association Book of the Year Award (ABBY) and the International Reading Association Children's Book of the Year Award.

Now a full-time watercolorist, Chee perceives art as his life and painting as his journey. "I am on my journey searching for a perfect watercolor," he said. "I have never been satisfied with any painting I have done so far, but I am always happy when I paint, knowing that each painting I do will take me one step closer to my perfect watercolor."

Chee's studio, lined with windows and full-spectrum lights, is filled with the famous and familiar paintings of koi and landscapes. While art is his life, Chee continues to judge national shows, conduct workshops, and encourage aspiring young artists. "I believe a good painting should achieve the unity of objective and the subjective, showing both the image as it exists and the image in the artist's mind." He encourages students to use the technical skills they have mastered to express their own ideas, principles, philosophy, and creative energy.

"Students can learn from the master, but they should reach deep in their own hearts to find their own voice."

To honor students after his retirement, Chee established the UMD Cheng-Khee Chee Art Scholarship. His scholarship intention reflects Mother Teresa's philosophy that: We do no great things, only small things with great love. "I am deeply grateful to the university and for my career at UMD," Chee said. "I hope to be able to do some small things to repay my debt of gratitude with great love. Unlike other disciplines, art scholarships are hard to come by. Even a small one will at least help students buy their expensive art supplies. In the meantime, it will also encourage, inspire, and promote positive feeling."

The annual scholarship award is given to a UMD art student, or students, who demonstrate or show promise of outstanding achievement in their creative work. The UMD art and design faculty select the student based on established criteria; Chee warmly welcomes contact from the recipients and over the years, visiting his studio has been an honor for several art students who received the scholarship.

CHENG-KHEE CHEE

MASTER OF WATERCOLOR



Left: Dan Fishback. Right: Retail Marketing Analytics Program faculty Rajiv Vaidyanathan and Praveen Aggarwal

DAN FISHBACK

MARKETING ANALYTICS

Dan Fishback ('83) has an affinity for start-ups. He has held senior executive positions with three successful start-up companies in the technology and computer software industry, all of which he and his partners either took public or sold.

For the past 10 years, he has led DemandTec, Inc., a collaborative optimization network for retailers and consumer products companies. As their president and CEO, the company has evolved from a Silicon Valley start-up with 30 employees into an international corporation trading on NASDAQ.

DEMANDTEC ALLOWS STUDENT ACCESS TO REAL INDUSTRY TOOLS

It's little wonder that a new retail marketing analytics program, being developed by UMD's Labovitz School of Business and Economics (LSBE), intrigued Fishback. He immediately saw how important this program could be.

In UMD's retail marketing analytics program (ReMAP), students learn quantitative skills that are directly relevant to retail analytics. They receive a solid foundation in marketing and must demonstrate excellent written and verbal communication skills.

Fishback is a strong advocate of showing students how an aptitude for math can lead to careers. "Young people don't have an appreciation of what they can do with math and analytic skills," he said. Each year, the company sponsors the DemandTec Retail Challenge (<http://demandtecretailchallenge.com/>), which awards scholarships to seniors in high school who solve real-world problems in retail.

Fishback brainstormed with LSBE officials over the development of the ReMAP program. He was familiar with other schools. "There are very few schools offering this kind of program to undergraduates," he said.

DemandTec became a ReMAP partner, providing financial support and contributing simulated software solutions and mock data sets, allowing student access to real industry tools. DemandTec is a facilitator between UMD and many of the clients with whom DemandTec works. "Partnering with LSBE, we are helping key employers who need these kind of employees," he said.

Fishback believes that UMD's Midwest location is an asset. "Minnesota has a strong retail base with corporations like Target, Best Buy, and General Mills. ReMAP will prepare students for working as interns and then as employees," he said.

He hopes that UMD will continue to nurture relationships with corporations. "There is tremendous collaboration between businesses and universities on the West Coast," he said. When he was a student at UMD earning his degree in business administration, Fishback played hockey and spent time with boosters and supporters, many from the business community. "I saw how business can support a university," he said.

Fishback foresees retailers and consumer products companies increasingly shying away from hiring strictly general business majors or strictly statisticians. Graduates with skills in marketing and analytics, what he calls "hybrids," will be "the coveted employees of the future." People with marketing skills and applied mathematical skills are "the kind of people our clients want to hire every day," he said.



UMD SCRAPBOOK

Top: When the men's hockey team members dyed their hair blond prior to the WCHA playoffs, many of their fans followed suit. Chancellor Lendley C. Black (right) along with Bulldog friends cheer on the team to its first NCAA Div. I championship win.

Middle: Lt. Gen. Samuel T. Helland returned to UMD to receive the University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award. His classmates, fraternity brothers, and friends gathered to celebrate his honor: (l-r) David Delisle ('73), Bill Engstrom ('68), James W. Balmer ('70), Sam Helland ('73), Vernon Swanum ('73), Rodney Beystrom and William Nickerson ('71).

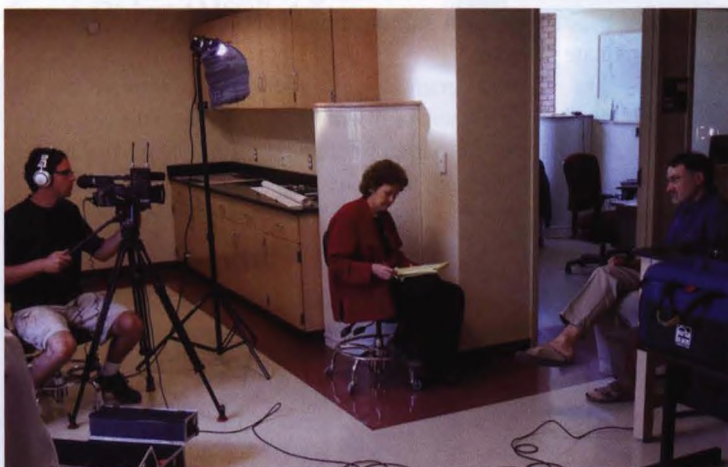
Bottom: Alumni and friends sailed on the *Blue Heron* research vessel to learn more about freshwater science. (l-r) Large Lakes Observatory Director Steve Colman, Carla Blumberg, Allan Apter ('51) and Brenda Ion, Chancellor Lendley C. Black, SCSE Dean James P. Riehl, Connie Black, Barbara Neubert, *Blue Heron* Captain Doug Ricketts, and Carol and Richard Flint ('57).



NEWS@UMD

People, events, developments, and programs: top news about the University of Minnesota Duluth

National Attention for NSF Research



Four of UMD's 31 National Science Foundation projects showcased

The National Science Foundation is producing four stories about the scientific research underway at UMD. The stories will be available to the public through the *Science Nation* series, an online magazine that highlights scientific leaders and the latest advancements in science and technology.

Marsha Walton, a science, technology, and environment producer for NSF, directed the filming and interviews. "I have never done four stories for a university before," Walton said. "It was a great week at UMD."

The four stories include UMD's Natural Resources Research Institute Great Lakes Worm Watch; UMD geologist John Goodge who traveled to Antarctica in the winter of 2010-2011 for the age and composition of the East Antarctic Shield; Large Lakes Observatory oceanographic research and the operation of the Research Vessel *Blue Heron*; and the documenting of the Chippewa Language and Training Indigenous Scholars research.

UMD currently has 31 National Science Foundation projects and dozens of other research projects funded by outside sources. UMD receives the second largest amount of research funding among universities in the state of Minnesota.



Marsha Walton (above) of NSF's Science Nation interviews UMD geologist John Goodge (top left) and LLO's Jay Austin (top right).

Major, Minor, Masters

Three new programs strengthen UMD's curriculum

Retail Marketing Analytics

The Retail Marketing Analytics Program (ReMAP) is among the first of its kind nationwide. The undergraduate major is available through the Labovitz School of Business and Economics (see page 9).

Because of the partnership with DemandTec, a software and analytical services company, the curriculum is a unique mixture of quantitative analytics and marketing. Students accepted into ReMAP will have the opportunity to build a strong foundation of statistical analysis know-how and directly apply advanced marketing techniques to the real world. Participation in the program will give students the skills necessary to make more strategic merchandising and marketing decisions throughout their career.

African and African American Studies

John Arthur, professor of sociology and anthropology and coordinator of the new African and African American Studies minor, said UMD is taking an important step in fostering an inclusive curriculum while also expanding the diversity and range of courses.

Arthur noted that the program has attracted students from a wide range of disciplines. This past spring, his Introduction to the Atlantic Slave Trade class drew students from business, liberal arts, engineering, and education.

The new program is multidisciplinary. Instructors come from the College of Liberal Arts, the School of Fine Arts, and the College of Education and Human Services Professions. Examples of elective courses include Modern Africa, Voices of African Women, African Roots of American Music, The American Civil Rights Movement, and African Politics.

Tribal Administration and Governance

An increasing focus on American Indian studies is vital, and according to Tadd Johnson, professor and chair of the Department of American Indian Studies, "UMD was one of the first institutions of higher learning in the country to recognize that American Indian studies was a unique discipline. It has received strong endorsement. The 35 tribes of the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes passed a resolution supporting the program. Now we are taking another bold step by offering the Master of Tribal Administration and Governance (MTAG) graduate program."

The MTAG graduate program was approved by the University of Minnesota Board of Regents in February, 2011. The program seeks to train future American Indian tribal leaders and managers through coursework grounded in ethics. UMD is the only university in the country to offer this master's program focused on tribal leadership development.

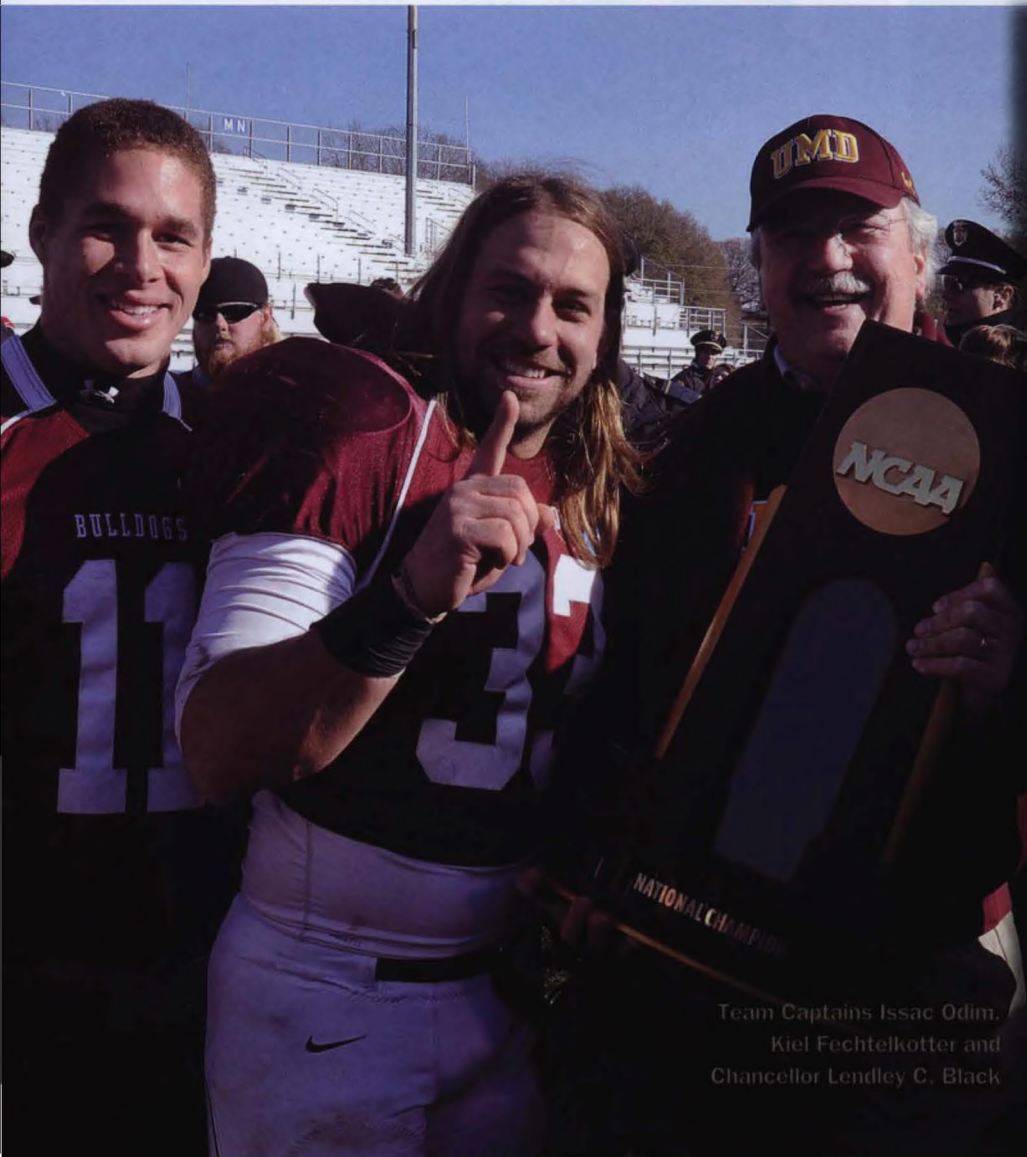
CHAMPIONS!

UMD makes hockey history

This past spring, UMD skated away with its first men's hockey national crown at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul.

Senior Kyle Schmidt scored 3:22 into overtime to lift the Bulldogs past Michigan 3-2 in the Frozen Four final game, played before a sellout and partisan Bulldog crowd of 19,222. "I didn't do a whole lot," said Schmidt, who equaled a career high with his 11th goal of the year. "My line mates really worked their butts off in the corner to get me the puck. It was amazing." Travis Oleksuk and Max Tardy had second-period goals for UMD, Tardy's first goal of his college career.

In 2010-11, the Bulldogs celebrated their 50th year as a member of NCAA's Div. I. They also opened their new hockey home in December 2011 — the \$80 million, 6,726-seat AMSOIL Arena.



Team Captains Issac Odim,
Kiel Fechtelkotter and
Chancellor Lendley C. Black

Another perfect football season

The UMD football team completed its second perfect 15-0 season (an NCAA Division II first) on Dec. 18, 2010 by capturing the NCAA championship in Florence, Ala. They also won the national crown in 2008.

The Bulldogs trailed for a good portion of the afternoon, but battled back with a 20-17 victory over Delta State. "Not a lot went our way in that game," UMD head coach Bob Nielson said. "We just kept plugging away and believing."

As time expired, UMD's David Nadeau kicked a 32-yard field goal to cap a wild finish on a wild game that featured five lead changes.

"From my angle, I knew it was close," Nielson said. "I saw the officials' arms go up and, honestly, for a minute there, I was a little stunned. Winning that way is a pretty special way to win."

September Opening for Lawrence A. Ianni Hall

State-of-the-art residence hall named for former chancellor

First-year students, about 280 of them, will be the first residents in the newest building on the UMD campus, Ianni Hall. The building features an impressive lobby with a fireplace and seating area. Glass-paneled study rooms on each of the seven floors allow views of the hillside, and the upper floors have especially scenic views of Lake Superior.

The building will be entering the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Certification process to continue UMD's sustainability efforts. Energy-efficient windows, substantial insulation, and displays of power-usage meters are some of its features.

More: www.d.umn.edu/news/

Lawrence A. Ianni served as the seventh chancellor of the University of Minnesota Duluth from 1987-1995. The new residence hall was dedicated on September 16. The former chancellor, his wife Mary Ellen, and many family members and friends returned to UMD for the celebration.





Art & Memory

A program for individuals with dementia or brain injury

Looking at a painting can trigger thoughts and emotions. It can spark a memory that, in turn, can be shared. For people with memory loss or traumatic brain injury, who don't communicate as they once did, viewing paintings and then talking about them can be a powerful way for these individuals to open up and express themselves.

That is why the Tweed Museum of Art, UMD's Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, and the Northern Regional Center of the Alzheimer's Association have partnered to create "Storytelling at the Tweed," a program for individuals with dementia or traumatic brain injury.

Susan Hudec, education director at the Tweed Museum of Art, developed the program, chose the works of art, and trained the graduate students who act as tour guides and lead the discussions. She is excited to offer this program. "It's great to add another dimension to the educational programs at the Tweed. Art is for everyone at any age," she said. Similar programs exist around the country, however, having graduate students facilitate makes the Tweed's program special.

Lynette Carlson, an instructor in UMD's Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders in the College of Education and Human Services Professions, who supervises the graduate students, said that "as a person experiences dementia, doors close. Isolation comes on very quickly – isolation from family and friends." The discussions are designed to get participants talking and sharing.

During a tour last spring, graduate students Kendra Caywood, Danielle Larson, and Casey Bellamy used four paintings in the Tweed collection as their conversation focal points. After viewing and discussing the paintings, the participants, five older women who all had some level of memory loss, created collages. The work illustrated significant aspects of their lives. Carlson encourages the women to take their collages with them and to share them with others. "Collage," Carlson said, "is a great way to trigger memories and relate to family members and friends."

Carlson likes that this program provides students with the strategies and skills they will need when they are working in the field, supporting people with communication disorders. "It's a wonderful way to contribute to student learning and allows us to collaborate with other organizations that want to make a difference," Carlson said.



Top: Dr. Kathleen R. Annette.

Right: Lt. Gen. Samuel T. Helland.



2011 Commencement

UMD sent over 2,000 graduates out into the world in May. Nearly 1,950 undergraduate degrees, 225 graduate degrees, and 14 doctoral degrees were conferred at the spring 2011 commencement ceremonies. The undergraduate commencement ceremony was held at the DECC Amsoil Arena for the first time.

The commencement speaker was UMD alumna Dr. Kathleen R. Annette ('77), the first woman in the Minnesota Chippewa Nation to become a physician. She was honored with a UMD Alumni Achievement Award. Lt. General Samuel T. Helland ('73) was presented with the University of Minnesota Outstanding Achievement Award. Helland is a retired Commander of the U.S. Marine Corps Forces Central Command and the Commanding General of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force.

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THE SKY'S THE LIMIT



ANNE DUTTON

**“GRADUATE SCHOOL PREPARED
ME FOR THE FOCUSED, INTENSE
WORK I DO AT LOCKHEED”**

When **ANNE (MCCARTHY) DUTTON** ('84) was close to completing her graduate degree in English at UMD, she began looking for a job. One of her professors, Ken Risdon, suggested that she look into technical writing. “He said that there was a need for technical writers, and that employers can teach you the technology, but they can’t teach you how to write,” Dutton recalled. Soon after, Dutton landed a job at Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Marietta, Ga. That job turned into a career, and that was 21 years ago.

Since that time, Dutton has worked her way up from writing and editing flight and maintenance manuals, to the global sustainment division where she manages support contracts for C130 aircraft with such clients as Great Britain’s Royal Air Force and the Israeli Air Force. Dutton coordinates engineering updates, modifications, maintenance, and repairs.

To learn the aeronautics industry, Dutton turned to other employees to mentor her. Lockheed Martin encourages mentoring among its employees. “One of my mentors was a retired Navy pilot, a colonel. I wanted insights into the military point of view. It was a development area that I needed work in,” she said.

Dutton had a woman mentor when she started out. “Her help was invaluable. I needed to pay that back,” she said. Dutton is now mentoring two women employees. “I try to be a support to them and be a sounding board. It’s still a challenge to be a female in a male-dominated industry.”

Dutton believes wholeheartedly in higher education. “Graduate school prepared me for the focused, intense work I do at Lockheed. I discovered I was prepared to handle this larger corporate entity. I didn’t know I was prepared, but I was.”

In 2002, she earned a second master’s degree, this time in project management. “The more education you get formally, the more confident you are,” Dutton said.

A GLIMPSE OF WHAT IS POSSIBLE

LINH NGUYEN SCALLY ('11) counsels individuals in Grand Rapids, Minn., who are struggling with the dual diagnoses of mental illness and chemical dependency. In her work, Scally draws upon all she learned in UMD's master's of social work (MSW) program. She also draws upon lessons she learned when it seemed as if there was only one person in the world who still believed in her.

Scally, her parents, and siblings came to the United States from Vietnam when she was seven years old. They lived in New Orleans for a time. Then, in search of a better life, they moved to Duluth, and while crime and violence were no longer a part of her everyday life, Scally had to face a new daily assault – one of racism and discrimination.

In her Duluth classrooms, Scally was the only minority student. "There wasn't the awareness of other cultures then," she said. And while she doesn't describe teachers as being mean, she noted, "It was more a case of neglect, of pretending I wasn't there, and not addressing problems."

Learning English as a second language was difficult, and writing did not come easily for her. She began to skip school and when she did attend, she wasn't always "there." Eventually, she began to abuse alcohol and drugs.

By the time she reached high school, Scally admitted, "I was struggling." That's when her high school counselor, Eugene Powers, became her mentor. "He provided a lot of guidance. He believed in me. At that point, he was the only one that did." With his help, Scally graduated from high school.

She obtained her manicurist license and worked in her parents' nail salon while she attended Itasca Community College. Because she didn't score well on the entrance exam, she had to take prerequisite courses. "I had a lot of great teachers," she said. "I started getting good grades." Mr. Powers' degree in social work peaked Scally's interest. Eventually she transferred to Bemidji State University and graduated in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in social work and a minor in chemical dependency.

Soon after being accepted into UMD's MSW program, she learned about the Diversity of Views and Experience (DOVE) scholarship. Her narrative statement and support from faculty and staff, who recognized her accomplishments and her commitment to serving vulnerable members of society, resulted in her receiving a full scholarship. Additional financial assistance from the Department of Social Work lightened Scally's financial load. "I really appreciated all of the help I received," she said. "It was wonderful to be in graduate school and not have it be a financial burden."

When Scally speaks of her career, she is realistic. She doesn't talk about changing the world, but she does talk about making a difference. "I can't change someone who doesn't want to be changed, but for those who do, I can start where they are at and work with them," she said.

"Sometimes it's important to give someone just a glimpse of what is possible: 'why don't you look at this?' not 'you should do this'," Scally said. "Giving them a choice is empowering them. That's what happened to me – by choosing to study, I discovered I could learn."



LINH NGUYEN SCALLY

**"BY CHOOSING TO
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POSITIVE ABOUT MINNESOTA



MARK PHILLIPS

**“TO HELP INDIVIDUALS
AND BUSINESSES
THRIVE IN MINNESOTA”**

MARK PHILLIPS ('73) lives positively. It's part of the job – and all in a day's work for Phillips, this year's recipient of the UMD Center for Economic Development Joel Labovitz Award for Entrepreneurial Vision.

Gov. Mark Dayton appointed Phillips as the commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) in January 2011 to support the economic success of individuals, businesses, and communities by improving opportunities for growth. In partnership with business, industry, education, and governmental organizations, DEED implements the state branding program “Positively Minnesota.”

Phillips believes his work in education and workforce development is particularly important during these economic times – and a positive attitude helps. “We're doing innovative work that will have a positive impact on Minnesota's industry and business,” he said.

Phillips knows Minnesota's business world. He grew up on the Iron Range and worked for Kraus-Anderson Construction, Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board, Minnesota Power, and Northeast Ventures Corp.

The issues he faces at DEED are complex. Strengthening the alignment between higher education and the workforce is crucial. “DEED needs to look ahead to see where we will lose workers due to retirements and where new employers will need skilled replacement workers. Investing in education at all levels is one of the best economic development tools we have.”

Public-private economic and workforce development partnerships are well underway. The state of Minnesota, the Greater Twin Cities United Way, and the Minnesota Workforce Council Association with Joyce Foundation support are partnering to help some of the 2 million Minnesotans without postsecondary credentials get jobs. “The FastTRAC project coordinates occupational training, certificate programs, and degree programs across the state and matches industries' needs for trained employees,” he said. Another way DEED is leveraging its impact is by working with economic development organizations in Duluth, Rochester, the Metro Area, and St. Cloud.

Phillips frames his overarching goal – “to help individuals and businesses thrive in Minnesota” – in the context of Minnesota's service sector, manufacturing, mining, timber industry, food and food products, computer manufacturing, and the scientific instrument industry.

He also credits UMD with helping him see the global picture. “At UMD, I did an independent study on business communications to complete my degree, and now I've come full circle,” he said. That study was with John W. Boyer, labor and industrial relations professor. After receiving his UMD bachelor's degree in business administration, he completed the Carlson School of Management Minnesota Executive Program.

Phillips met his wife, Patricia Pocrnich ('72, '90), at UMD and has stayed active with UMD throughout his career. He was a member of the UMD Corporate Partners and a founding board member for the Labovitz School of Business and Economics (LSBE) Center for Economic Development. He continues to serve on the Advisory Council to LSBE.

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ON THE FAST TRACK TO SUCCESS

SARAH POLLEMA graduated from UMD in 2003, then entered the Graduate Education in Medical Science program at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In 2004, she began a Ph.D. program at UIC.

Now Pollema is working as a postdoctoral fellow at Northwestern University with goals of obtaining her own research lab. She spends the majority of her time researching. Her particular focus is on various diseases, including Huntington's disease and chronic pain.

"I would like to be in a full-time research position at a university," she said. "It's a very competitive field, though. The whole process seems a little daunting, but I want to get my own lab."

Pollema could also see herself working in education. "I wouldn't mind teaching at a small liberal arts college," she said. There was a time, however, when just going to college seemed far-fetched.

Pollema grew up on a small dairy farm in Milaca, Minn. She is sixth of eight children. Her parents were hard working, and they dedicated their lives to providing a good home for their children. However, education was not a huge focus in their lives. "We didn't have a lot of money growing up, because dairy farmers don't make a lot," Pollema said. "No one in my family thought college was an option."

In high school, Pollema ran track and cross-country for four years and was named the captain of the track and cross-country team her senior year. With the help of her high school track coach, Pollema came to see college as an opportunity to continue running.

After meeting with UMD Track Coach John Fulkrod, Pollema was sure of her choice. "Coach Fulkrod was a very positive influence for me," she said. "He's really a great person who provided me with a lot of insights." Pollema was awarded a partial track scholarship, Pell grants, academic scholarships, and Minnesota state grants to help fund her education.

When she started at UMD, Pollema wasn't sure what she wanted to major in. She was interested in science and took her first biology course. After that, she was hooked. "I wanted to dig deeper into how things work," she said. "The world inside of a single cell fascinates me."

Pollema's UMD adviser was Allen Mensinger, associate professor of biology. "Al helped me find the direction I needed in my career," she said. "He was a great asset." In a nomination letter, Mensinger wrote, "I have no doubt that Ms. Pollema will be one of our nation's leading scientists by the end of the decade."

As she reflects on her time at UMD, Pollema recalls how much the university offered her. It was the start of her career as a scientist. "I was led to UMD, and it was the perfect school for me," she said. "I was in a great environment with great people. I'm really grateful for my time at UMD."



SARAH POLLEMA

"I WAS IN A GREAT ENVIRONMENT WITH GREAT PEOPLE"

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A HOMERUN FOR CREATIVITY



JESSE BODELL

WORKING WITH THE TWINS:

**“IT’S GLAMOROUS; IT’S
BASEBALL; AND IT’S FUN”**

Nine months after graduating from UMD with a B.F.A. in graphic design, **JESSE BODELL** ('00) started working at Periscope, an independent advertising agency with offices in Minneapolis, Hong Kong, and Delhi. Their diverse client list includes: United Health Group, Arctic Cat, and the Minnesota Twins.

A native of Hermantown, Minn., and a lifelong baseball fan, Bodell says, “The client I enjoy most is the Twins. It’s glamorous; it’s baseball; and it’s fun.”

He executes the branding for the Minnesota Twins, and it gets a facelift every year. “I realized just how special this job was when I attended a game during my first year on the Twins account,” Bodell said. “I held a real ticket that I designed, one of nearly 2.5 million others. It was a great feeling seeing others smiling as they inspected the details.” Bodell designed 12 versions of the ticket so people could collect them.

Each year, Bodell and his team design a package to entice fans to purchase season tickets. The design of that marketing campaign drives the identity for the coming year. From a 2006 “Twins Territory” theme with a vintage poster art feel to the 2008 modern, urban ballpark look featuring illustration, Bodell keeps it fresh.

Bodell’s heart is in the work. When Twins management approached him to create a commemorative mark in tribute to center field great, Kirby Puckett, Bodell was grateful for the opportunity. “Other than my dad, Kirby Puckett was my hero,” Bodell said.

Periscope was instrumental in setting the tone at Target Field. Bodell touched on emotional elements that could connect to Twins fans. “Outdoor baseball with the beauty of a starry night, green grass, and sunburned beer vendors was new to nearly three generations of Twins fans,” Bodell said.

Bodell and Periscope contributed to much of the signage around the ballpark, such as banners ringing the stadium commemorating the Twins division and world titles and a 700 foot mural featuring baseball cards of former Twins greats. The numbers speak for the work. Attendance in the Metrodome grew from 1.75 million to 2.5 million while Bodell worked with the Twins. In Target Field, attendance is over 3 million, and ESPN named Target Field the number one fan experience in all of major league sports for 2010.

He has other great clients. “We get to do the most amazing photo shoots for Arctic Cat,” Bodell said. In order to show new snowmobile technology, they travel into the mountains above Jackson Hole, Wyo. “We bring in some of the best action sports photographers and riders in the country. In the middle of nowhere on the top of that mountain, the crazy stuff they do is incredible. The scenery is also some of the most picturesque on earth.”

Bodell says it’s hard to think of working anywhere other than Periscope. “Their design aesthetics match my interests, and they go the extra mile. That feels right,” he said. “Periscope also gave me the opportunity to work with something I love.”

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alumni notes

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1949.

Ron Ostrom, Phoenix, Ariz., has established a website, World War II Geographics, featuring Europe, the Mediterranean, and the Pacific for educators, students, World War II buffs, veterans, and veteran organizations.

1952.

Gerald I. Reponen '52, along with his wife, Ruth (Sieger), live in Placerville, Calif. Gerald is a retired lieutenant colonel of the United States Air Force.

1962.

Michael W. Fedo, Coon Rapids, Minn., has authored another book. *A Sawdust Heart, My Vaudeville Life in Medicine and Tent Shows* by Henry Wood as told by Michael Fedo, was recently published by the University of Minnesota Press.

1964.

Howard A. Levine, Ames, Iowa, recently retired from his position as distinguished professor emeritus at Iowa State University. His son, Dr. Joseph Levine, joined the hematology-oncology staff at Essentia Health of Duluth in July, 2011.

1969.

Jerrold A. Maki, San Francisco, Calif., is a hospital administrator and vice president of clinical services for Stanford Hospital and Clinics. Jerry was recently invited by the U.S. Department of Commerce to serve as a member of the 2011 Volunteer Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige Award.

Clark C. Peterson, Hinckley, Minn., placed 61st worldwide in *Writer's Digest Magazine* Feature Article Contest for his piece, "The Horrifying Rages of Fire" about the Great Hinckley Fire.

1970.

Mary A. Ebert, Minneapolis, Minn., recently retired from her job as a college counselor. She is a new UMD Alumni board member.

1971.

Kay McMahon was inducted into the Ladies Professional Golf Association Teaching & Club Professional (LPGA T&CP) Hall of Fame in 2010. She is director of golf instruction at eduKaytion Golf, a premier golf education company, and is a past national LPGA T&CP president.

1972.

Paul D. Blomdahl, '80 MA, Hermantown, Minn., has retired from his position as a teacher in the Hermantown school district.

1975.

Russell G. Blixt, Bridger, Mont., is an English, journalism, and yearbook teacher for the Fromberg School.

1976.

Dr. William C. Brown, Golden, Colo., owns his own medical practice and works as a plastic surgeon. William has completed over 30 volunteer plastic surgical trips to the underserved Arusha region of Tanzania in east Africa, providing over 2,000 operations primarily cleft lip and palate surgeries or burn surgeries.

1977.

Brian K. Kolbilka, Palo Alto, Calif., was elected to the National Academy of Sciences in 2011. He is a professor in the Departments of Molecular and Cellular Physiology and Medicine at Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, Calif.

1978.

Thomas A. Krause, Des Moines, Iowa, operates his own legal practice, Thomas A. Krause, PC.

Mark G. Ramsdell, Saint Cloud, Minn., was recently named to the executive committee of the Minnesota Trucking Association. He is a principal at LarsonAllen LLP in Saint Cloud and practices with trucking and construction clients.

1981.

Keir R. Johnson, Duluth, Minn., is working as a retirement and estate planner at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney.

Jeffrey J. Peura, Laporte, Minn., is superintendent for International Falls Public Schools.

1983.

Dave McMillan, Duluth, Minn., is the senior vice president of ALLETE and has been elected to the University of Minnesota Board of Regents.

1984.

Michelle M. Grommesh, Concord, Calif., is a consumer underwriter for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage.

1985.

Amy L. (Thorsen) Martinez, Mission, Texas, is a singer, songwriter, and producer as well as a business owner. In her music career, she goes by the name of Amy Ames and is currently finishing her third CD titled *I Miss Minnesota*, as well as producing a reality show, titled *Awesome Autism*, which features her three children.

Laurie L. VanNurden, Buffalo, Minn., is a financial planner at Prudential Financial.

1986.

Douglas P. Anderson, St. Paul, Minn., is the vice president of finance at Hamline University and was a finalist for the CFO of the year award by the *Twin Cities Business News*.

Nancy L. (Rimert) Brook, Billings, Mont., is a vice president of marketing for the First Interstate Bank. Nancy has a new book, *Cycling, Wine, and Men: A Midlife Tour de France*.

Philip O. Reed, Grand Rapids, Minn., received a certificate of ministries with the Assemblies of God World Missions in 2010. During the summer of 2010, his family moved to Krivoy Rog, Ukraine, to serve as missionaries.

1986.

Skeeter R. Moore, Duluth, Minn., was named executive director of the North Shore Inline Marathon.

Brett A. Rickaby, Van Nuys, Calif., works as an actor. He has appeared in television shows such as *CSI: Miami* and *NCIS* and films such as *The Crazies*. His most recent film, *Bereavement*, was released into theaters in 2010, and he will participate in several others this year.

1989.

Scott R. Frank, Coon Rapids, Minn., works in building material sales as a millwork specialist at Home Depot.

Randy W. Gilbert, Long Lake, Minn., works as a consultant for Assurance Consulting.

Margaret J. (Kaim) Haggenmiller, Waconia, Minn., is the program coordinator of the University of Minnesota's Simply Good Eating Program.

1993.

Louis DeRienco, Newark, Del., is the communications manager for the Global Shipping Division of the United States Postal Service in Washington, D.C. Louis recently won the President's Award for his efforts as chairman for his department in the Combined Federal Campaign Charity Drive.

1994.

Mary J. (Lindstrom) Amundson, Burnsville, Minn., works for the State of Minnesota as director of central preadmission and clinical supervisor at Community Behavioral Health Hospitals.

Michael J. Barnes, Acworth, Ga., is currently employed by the Dow Chemical Company as a senior chemist working on polyurethane systems.

Michael R. Murray, Superior, Wis., is executive vice president at Reuben Johnson & Son, Inc.

1995.

David W. Dahlen and his wife Carissa, Eagan, Minn., welcomed their first child, Shayne Elizabeth, on November 16, 2010.

Wade D. Kubat, Duluth, Minn., did his residency in general surgery in Philadelphia, Pa. He continued on to a fellowship in plastic and reconstructive surgery. Wade is now a plastic surgeon at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth.

Christopher L. Mahowald, Prior Lake, Minn., is a CPA and partner at Meuwissen, Flygare, Kadriik & Associates.

Nathan C. Otte, and his wife **Barrie E. (Berquist) Otte** live in Andover, Minn. Nathan started a new position in January at the Waters Corporation as a field service engineer.

Nikkole M. (Graupmann) Peterson, Lakeville, Minn., is a police officer for the City of St. Paul.

1996.

David M. Haugen, Duluth, Minn., is a dentist at Piedmont Heights Dental Associates.

Angela J. (Simonsen) Helget, Minneapolis, Minn., took a position as a research chemist with 3M Pharmaceuticals after graduation. She spent a total of eight years working in the field of clinical research, before deciding to return to pharmacy school at the University of Minnesota.

Jake K. Powell, Duluth, Minn., attended medical school at the University of Minnesota after graduation from UMD. Jake is now a physician at St. Luke's Hospital. He is married and has two daughters.

1997.

Steven M. Berry, Duluth, Minn., attended graduate school in chemistry at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, followed by post-doctoral teaching and a research fellowship at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. He is currently an associate professor at UMD in the department of chemistry and biochemistry. Steven received the Swenson College of Science and Engineering Outstanding Young Teacher Award in 2010. He lives in Duluth with his wife, Jennifer, and their three children: Amelia, Anna, and Samuel.

Bonnie J. (Beall) Hanson, Saint Michael, Minn., attended graduate

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school at the University of Oregon and received a Ph.D. in biochemistry in 2001. Bonnie is now a senior staff scientist working in an R&D group in molecular and cellular biology for Left Technologies.

Jessica K. (Woodward) Lavan, Cloquet, Minn., received her doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 2001 after graduating from UMD. She has been a family medicine physician at Raiter Clinic since 2007.

1998.

Fawn W. Atchison, Anchorage, Alaska, completed the medical scientists training program at Duke University Medical Center. She finished her residence training in anesthesiology and a fellowship in cardiothoracic anesthesiology at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. Fawn will be a practicing anesthesiologist in Minnesota this year.

Shauna L. Bahr, Plymouth, Minn., is a senior product standards coordinator at Target.

Greg E. Rue, Minneapolis, Minn., is working for the Arc Greater Twin Cities as the facilities and donation manager.

1999.

Amy (Christopherson) Anderson, Lindstrom, Minn., graduated from the University of Minnesota Medical School and is now a full spectrum family physician with the Fairview Clinic in Chisago Lakes. This year, Amy will be attending Fairview Leadership Academy. She is married and has two children, Sanna and Nolan.

Jaime A. (Melde) Gransee '99, MS '02, Saint Charles, Minn., recently celebrated her 10 year anniversary working for the Mayo Clinic in Rochester as a senior research technician. Jaime and her husband have two boys: Tyler and Connor.

Cary L. Scheiderer, Marathon, Wis., joined the U.S. Peace Corps

and became an education sector volunteer in Burkina Faso, West Africa, following the completion of her Ph.D. in neurobiology in December 2004. Cary took a postdoctoral position in 2007 in the University of Alabama Birmingham's community outreach development program. In 2009, she was selected for a slot in the highly competitive American Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology Policy Fellowship Program.

2000.

Joseph A. Browning, Woodbury, Minn., graduated in 2004 from the University of Minnesota Medical School, followed by a residence in Internal Medicine at Abbott Northwestern Hospital and an additional year as chief resident. He pursued specialized training in cardiology with a fellowship at the University of Minnesota, served as chief fellow in the cardiology fellowship program, and graduated in June. He will continue on as a noninvasive cardiologist for Regions Hospital in St. Paul. He and his wife Rana have two children, Gavin and Peyton.

Melisa M. Cherney, Missoula, Mont., completed graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, department of chemistry and received her Ph.D. in 2007. In 2008, she started post-doctoral research at the University of Montana. Melisa began a position as assistant professor of biochemistry at the University of Northern Iowa in August 2010.

Duane D. Fansler, Dresser, Wis., works for 3M Company researching inorganic and polymer chemistry and has garnered 50 issued US patents, six publications, and several internal 3M awards during his 11 years with the company. He and his wife, Hannah, have three children.

Deborah A. Fix, New London, Conn., has worked for Pfizer and

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Alumni Events

Thursday, October 6, 2011
Young Alumni Event
Bennett's, St. Paul
Happy Hour 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Monday, October 10, 2011
Geological Society Alumni Reunion
Hilton, Minneapolis
Reception 4:30 – 6:30 pm

Friday, October 14, 2011
Duluth Break the Ice
UMD vs UM men's hockey
DECC and AMSOIL Arena
5:30 pre-game party, 7:07 pm game

Friday & Saturday, October 21-22, 2011
Class of 1961 50th Reunion
Kitchi Gammi Club,
UMD Campus & Malosky Stadium

Saturday, October 22, 2011
UMD Homecoming

Monday, October 24 thru
Friday, November 4, 2011
Mediterranean Jewels Cruise

Tuesday, November 1, 2011
Salute to Superior's Fisheries
10 Chefs, 1 Fish, Tasting 4:30 pm
McNamara Center, Minneapolis
www.seagrant.umn.edu/fisheries/salute

Saturday, November 5, 2011
Denver Break the Ice
UMD at University of Denver
men's hockey, Magness Arena, Denver
5 pm pre-game party, 7:07 pm game

Wednesday, November 9, 2011
Networking Day and Night
Alumni Presentations
UMD Campus
Alumni/Student Reception, 5 – 6:30 pm
Zeitgeist Atrium, Duluth

Friday, December 9, 2011
Chicago Blues Theater
It's a Wonderful Life and reception

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Amgen for the past 10 years and is currently working in their drug safety department as part of a biomarker group.

Julie C. (Klejeski) Lucas, Side Lake, Minn., graduated from the University of Minnesota water resources science graduate program in 2005 and is now working in the environmental field as an environmental scientist at Hibbing Taconite Company. Julie is working towards a graduate certificate in public relations. She married Matt Lucas in 2010.

Nicholas W. Mertz, Eden Prairie, Minn., is a project manager for Ryland Homes.

Mary K. Prudhomme, Duluth, Minn., is a vulnerable adult investigator and pre-petition screener for St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services department.

John Redmond, Rochester, Minn., completed medical school at the University of Minnesota in 2006 and completed an orthopedic surgery residency at Mayo Clinic in June. John started practicing at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth this past summer. He has been married for 11 years and has three children.

Jesse C. Seegmiller, Rochester, Minn., graduated from medical school in 2004 from the University of Wyoming. He worked at the Mayo Clinic in the department of laboratory medicine for five years and is now working for a mass spectrometer company, AB SCIEX, where he specializes in clinical applications.

Terry W. J. Steele, Minneapolis, Minn., attended the University of Minnesota for medical school and graduated with his Ph.D. in 2006 in medicinal chemistry. He did post-doctorate work in Marburg, Germany, for two years before participating in a research fellowship as a project manager. He continued his research in Singapore.

Jessica M. (Lager) Trompeter, Winchester, Va., attended pharmacy school after graduation from UMD and is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and the Division of Physician Assistant Studies at Shenandoah University. Jessica and her husband, **Aaron A. Trompeter '98**, have two sons.

Laurelyn E. (Keener) Turbes, Duluth, Minn., is an associate veterinarian and equine veterinary dentist at the Richard Bowman, DVM practice.

Jeffrey T. Wengatz, Edina, Minn., is a corporate real estate advisor for the CresaPartners team in Minneapolis and Saint Paul. He also earned an MBA with a concentration in real estate from the University of Saint Thomas.

Rhonda L. (Goenner) Witzman, Duluth, Minn., is working as a CPA and Assurance Manager at McGladrey & Pullen, LLP.

2001.

Sarah L. Elfering, Minneapolis, Minn., started a nephrology fellowship at the University of Minnesota after completing an internal medicine residency at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center in Portland, Ore.

Alexander J. Thompson, New York City, N.Y., works in pharmaceutical advertising. He has continued this career for 10 years and is now a senior vice president at NeOn, and manages the Johnson & Johnson business.

2002.

Jacqueline A. Geissler, Minneapolis, Minn., attended medical school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and completed her orthopedic residency at the University of Minnesota. She plans to do a hand fellowship at the University of Southern California in Los Angeles until July 2012.

Philip J. Hommerding, Prior Lake, Minn., currently is a pharmacist for Walgreens.

Melissa A. (Berglund) Westervelt, Otsego, Minn., is an assistant county attorney and lawyer for the Isanti County Attorney's Office. Melissa and her husband, Ryan, welcomed their first child, Wyatt Matthew, in January 2011.

2003.

Katy J. Archer, Plymouth, Minn., works in financial services as a risk manager for Ameriprise Financial.

Melissa A. Frank, Hastings, Minn., was hired by Pace Analytical, an environmental design division of 3M, as a project manager. She is now a regulatory associate in the 3M Health Care Division. She also works with the FDA and Global Notified Bodies to obtain clearances and registrations of 3M medical products to sell worldwide. Melissa has three children: Michael, Faith, and Marcus.

Tammy J. Jobe, Burnsville, Minn., welcomed a new daughter, Lillian Suzanne Wiklund, in May 2010.

Nicholas A. McGrath, MS '05, Middleton, Wis., went on to receive his Ph.D. from Cornell University in 2010. Nicholas is currently a post doctoral researcher at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Megan S. (Nelson) McGregor, Tampa Bay, Fla., was married to Jason McGregor on March 26, 2011.

Kimberly L. Schoonover, attended medical school at the University of Minnesota. She is currently an internal medicine resident in Rochester, Minn., and began a fellowship in hospital medicine in July.

Nathaniel J. Traaseth, attended graduate school at the University of Minnesota's department of chemistry and completed his Ph.D. in 2007.

Nathaniel started as an assistant professor at New York University in the chemistry department in May 2011.

2004.

Katherine D. Almendinger, Charleston, Mass., volunteered as a science and mathematics instructor for a rural secondary school in Ghana after graduation. She finished her master's degree in epidemiology at Harvard School of Public Health and was recently hired as a project manager at the Broad Institute in Cambridge.

Breanne M. DeFoe, Duluth, Minn., is marketing manager at Gizmoz Promotional Products.

Jacob R. Konerza and his wife, **Lindsey M. (Buholz) Konerza** live in Woodbury, Minn. Jacob has been working for the Target Corporation in Minneapolis since his graduation from UMD. Jacob recently finished his term as president of the UMD Alumni Board of Directors.

2005.

Matthew P. Brichacek, Little Falls; Minn., attended graduate school in chemistry at Cornell University and is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. He and his wife are expecting twins.

Nathan J. Dahl, Erie, Pa., worked as a sales representative for Sanofi-Aventis Pharmaceuticals after graduation. He is in his final year of pharmacy school at Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, School of Pharmacy and will continue on to a residency training specializing in oncology.

Jason P. Dauffenbach, Rochester, Minn., is a resident physician in the Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation wing of the Mayo Clinic.

Krista (Toumi) Grapski, Oakland, Calif., teaches life science and biology at Millsmont Secondary Academy.

Robert J. Linnemann, Portland, Ore., works as a musical composer and recently launched his first iPhone OS application called Sax Guide as a reference fingering guide for saxophone players.

Joshua R. Miskovich, Duluth, Minn., was honored by the Northwestern Mutual Financial Network with their 2011 Central Regional Platinum Leader Award. Joshua has been associated with the Northwestern Mutual office in Duluth since 2007.

Carrie L. (Nowling) Rippie, Buffalo, Minn., has been employed by Viomed Labcorp for five years.

Chris D. Strom, Chicago, Ill., works in investment management as a research analyst at Asset Management Investors.

2006.

Charleen R. Balcer, Sioux Falls, S.D., recently completed medical school at Des Moines University. She is beginning the first year of her psychiatry residency at the University of South Dakota.

Katherine M. (Sanford) Carlin, Rochester, Minn., was married on May 14, 2011 to Jeremiah Carlin.

Cody T. Chamberlain, Eden Prairie, Minn., works as an analyst in information security at Medica Health Plans.

Henry A. Kostalik, Ithaca, N.Y., started graduate school at Cornell University for chemistry after graduating from UMD. He completed his Ph.D. in May and married Amanda, on July 23, 2011 in Duluth.

Alexandria E. Kotlarek, Minneapolis, Minn., was featured in the area premiere of a Broadway musical, *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, which debuted in June 2011 at the Minneapolis Musical Theatre.

CLASS OF '51 RECONNECTS



(l – r) Norman Sundeen, Norma Nummela, and Don Cook at the UMD 60-year class reunion.

In August 2011, members of the UMD class of 1951 met to celebrate their successes and reminisce about the past. Here are three profiles from this 60th year reunion:

NORMA (BERGERSON) NUMMELA

With a degree in music and education, Nummela still plays violin with the Omaha Symphony Orchestra. She's been playing with them since 1967. Before that, she taught music, played for several different orchestras, and toured the Midwest with notables such as Tom Jones, Mitch Miller, Elvis Presley, Mel Torme, Barry Manilow, and many others. Nummela plans to retire from music only when "the last note is played." She and her husband, Les Nummela ('52), are celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary.

DONALD M. COOK

For the past ten years, Cook has managed the Elizabeth Center for Cancer Detection in Los Angeles, Calif., where hundreds of thousands of people have been screened and educated for early cancer detection. As a UMD psychology graduate, he went on to receive his masters of hospital administration from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities. His career began as an assistant professor at George Washington University. He became partner and vice president at Booz Allen & Hamilton, and from 1974-1984, he was chief executive officer for several hospitals across the nation, as well as a consultant for Arthur D. Little.

NORMAN SUNDEEN

Nicknamed "Chuck," Sundeen played center for the first UMD hockey team from 1947-1951. Graduating with a major in business and economics, Sundeen worked for the United States Steel Company for over 40 years as an auditor. He traveled throughout the nation, as well as to Canada and Germany, conducting audits. He met his wife in Montreal during his early-career travels, and he is now retired in Gulf Port, Fla.

Elissa L. (Buresh) Manwaring, Casper, Wyo., works for TIC The Industrial Company. She began as a field engineer and has been promoted to project engineer, and later took a job as a business development manager for the TIC Wyoming District.

Corwin D. Nelson, Mount Horeb, Wis., attended graduate school at Iowa State University and received his Ph.D. in biochemistry and immunobiology in 2010. He is now a postdoctoral research associate in the Department of Biochemistry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Corwin and his wife, Gwen, have three children: Kaelyn, Nolan, and Madilyn.

Kyle T. Nelson, MS '08, Saint Paul, Minn., is currently in dental school at the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. Kyle received a U.S. Navy scholarship through the Health Professions Scholarship Program and will be a naval dentist upon graduation in 2010.

Margaret M. (Amdahl) Pruitt, Ames, Iowa, is attending graduate school at Iowa State University in the molecular, cellular, developmental biology program. Margaret and her husband, **Spencer R. Pruitt** '06, had their first child, Benjamin Rian, on August 20, 2010.

Kecia B. Rehkamp, Minneapolis, Minn., was featured in the area premiere of a Broadway musical, *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, which debuted in June 2011 at the Minneapolis Musical Theatre.

Katherine F. Vertachnik, Seattle, Wash., works for the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center.

2007.

Rebekah M. Andrus, Saint Louis Park, Minn., works in health care as a credentialing specialist for Fairview Health Services.

Neil R. Brummond, Minneapolis, Minn., finished medical school at the University of Minnesota. Neil was married to Alissa Carrow on May 21, 2010 in Marshall, Minn.

Ryan G. Hadt, Mountain View, Calif., attended graduate school after UMD and is now the Gerhard Casper Stanford Graduate Fellow at Stanford University. Ryan is working towards his Ph.D. in chemistry.

Ashley A. Hubbell, Saint Paul, Minn., works for HealthPartners as a project coordinator for revenue improvement.

Kathleen J. (Thompson) Johnson, Little Canada, Minn., finished pharmacy school at the University of Minnesota.

Samantha L. Michaels, Saint Paul, Minn., works for Studio On Fire as a graphic designer. Samantha also serves on the board of directors as director of membership for AIGA Minnesota.

Kelsie L. Wagner, Mankato, Minn., is serving as a Transfer Liaison in the Admissions Office at Minnesota State University, Mankato.

2008.

Clarissa J. Booth, Duluth, Minn., attended graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is currently in their Ph.D. program in molecular and environmental toxicology. She recently published a review paper with Dr. Joel Pedersen in the *Journal of Environmental Quality* and attended an Ecology of Soil Microorganisms conference in April in the Czech Republic.

Dana L. (Lundquist) Bottolfson is a Spanish teacher in the Harrison School District 2 of Colorado Springs, Colo.

Anna C. Moore, Waseca, Minn., is a quality specialist for the Owatonna Clinic, part of the Mayo Health System.

Merry D. Morud, Duluth, Minn., is an online marketing account manager at aimClear, a Duluth-based online marketing agency.

Elise J. Mostad, International Falls, Minn., went on to receive her master of science degree in integrated biosciences from the University of Minnesota in 2010. She is currently living in Sydney, Australia on a 12 month work and holiday visa saving up money to travel to the rest of Australia and other places along the East Coast.

Emily B. Mueller, Minneapolis, Minn., is a case manager and health program representative for the Minnesota Department of Health.

Manuel E. Rivas, Duluth, Minn., is an online marketing account manager at aimClear, a Duluth-based online marketing agency.

2009.

Christopher D. Barrett, Forest Lake, Minn., is currently attending medical school at Washington State University in the St. Louis School of Medicine.

Gina L. Bishop, Saint Michael, Minn., is a senior intake representative for University of Minnesota Physicians.

Elyse A. Dornhecker, Baudette, Minn., was honored by the Northwestern Mutual Financial Network with their 2011 Central Regional Bronze Leader Award. Elyse has been associated with the Northwestern Mutual office in Duluth since 2009.

Jacob W. Loesch, Minneapolis, Minn., was elected as the statewide executive director of the College Republicans, and in May earned a position as a member of the constitutional field staff for the Republican Party. As part of the field staff, Loesch worked on statewide campaigns for the Republican Party, including work for the Tom Emmer campaign for governor.

2010.

Brandy R. Aman, Watertown, S.D., is a medical student at Sanford School of Medicine at the University of South Dakota.

Jesse E. Bandelin, Grand Rapids, Minn., works as a pharmacist at Walgreens.

Erik D. Carlson, Indian Hills, Colo., is working in the space industry for the United Launch Alliance as a mechanical engineer in the propulsion and ordnance group.

Noah A. Craft, Minneapolis, Minn., is a freelance lighting designer.

Sandra M. (Kimber) Davis, Carlton, Minn., is a school support worker in children's mental health and family for Carlton County Public Health and Human Services.

Blake A. Dullinger, Duluth, Minn., is working as a home theater specialist at Best Buy.

Chase P. Gomez, Little Falls, Minn., joined the master's of science chemistry program at UMD and is currently doing research with Dr. Lester Drewes.

Kimberly I. Halverson, Byron, Minn., works as a flight attendant. She also runs her own photography studio called 'studiokh'.

Melanie A. Halverson, Byron, Minn., continued research with Dr. Berry after receiving her bachelor's degree and is now pursuing her master's degree in chemistry at UMD. Melanie also participated in the first annual Miss Minnesota Collegiate Pageant last October.

Ashley R. Hensel, Cameron, Wis., works for AmeriCorps as a site assistant at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Barron County.

Emily S. (Frey) Kalinowski, Duluth, Minn., was accepted to graduate school at UMD to obtain her master's in chemistry and is currently a teaching assistant for Honors General Chemistry.

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Sheila M. (Horner) Miller, Scanlon, Minn., is a chemical dependency counselor for the Fond du Lac Tagwii Outpatient Program.

Shane O'Brien, Eden Prairie, Minn., is a software development engineer for Beckman Coulter, a biomedical testing product manufacturer.

Danielle K. Schminkey, Forest Lake, Minn., is currently serving a one-year term with AmeriCorps VISTA on a program called RSVP.

Amanda J. Taylor, Sitka, Alaska, is an AmeriCorps volunteer serving as a case manager at Brave Heart, a nonprofit organization which handles educating health care professionals and caregivers about respice care.

Sarah J. Timm, Wadena, Minn., attends the University of Minnesota, College of Pharmacy. She currently volunteers at both the Phillips Neighborhood Clinic and at the Hosmer Library.

Amy M. Van Overmeiren, Superior, Wis., is an accountant and finance assistant at the Duluth Transit Authority.

2011

Kirsten E. Kvalsten, Washington, D.C., is serving as a constituent services representative for Senator John Hoeven of N.D.

Matthew N. Loechler, Elk Mound, Wis., is an RPA pilot in the United States Air Force.

Tyler S. Nyhus, Duluth, Minn., is working as a chief financial officer at Innovative Living of Wisconsin, Inc.

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August 24, 2011

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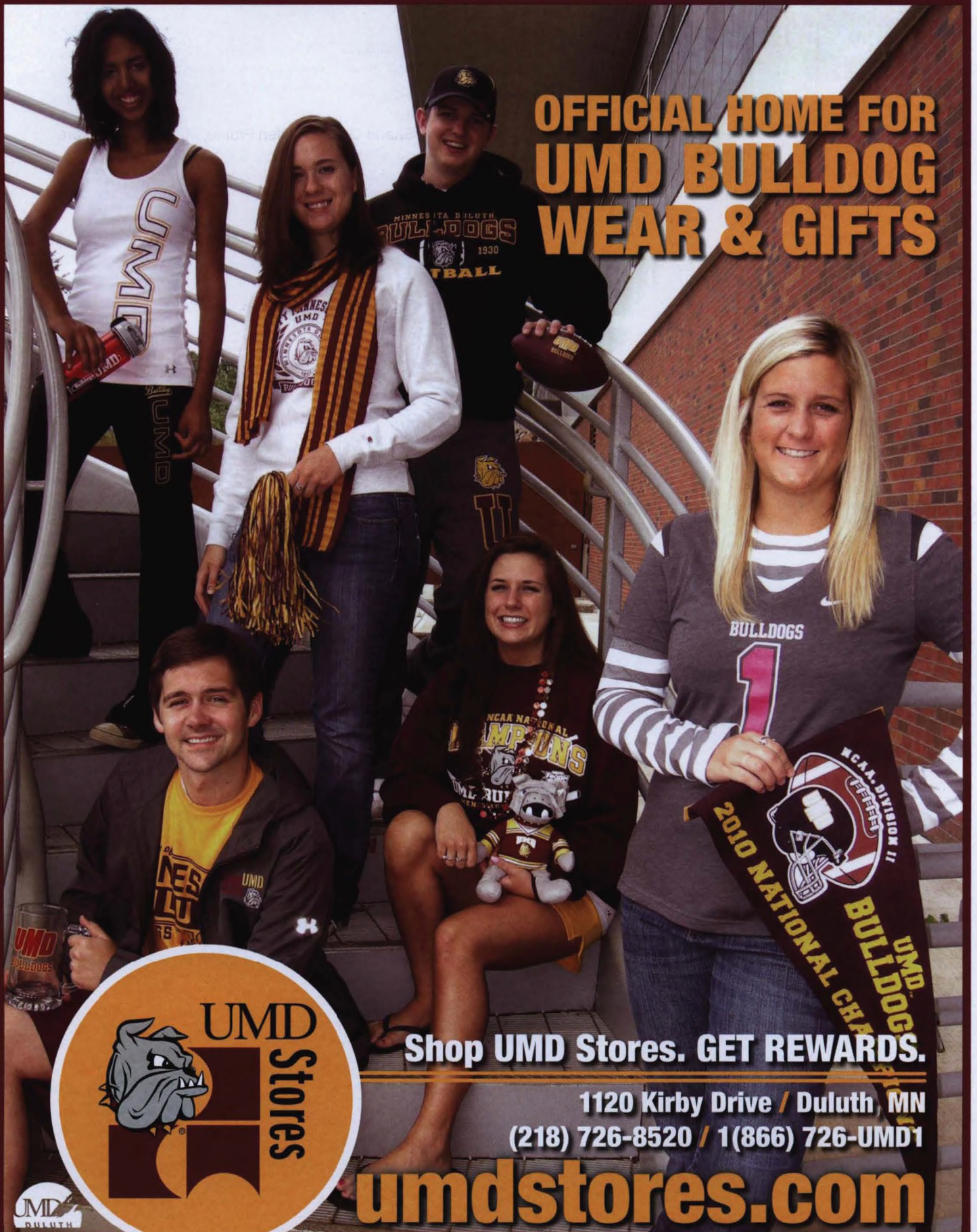
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