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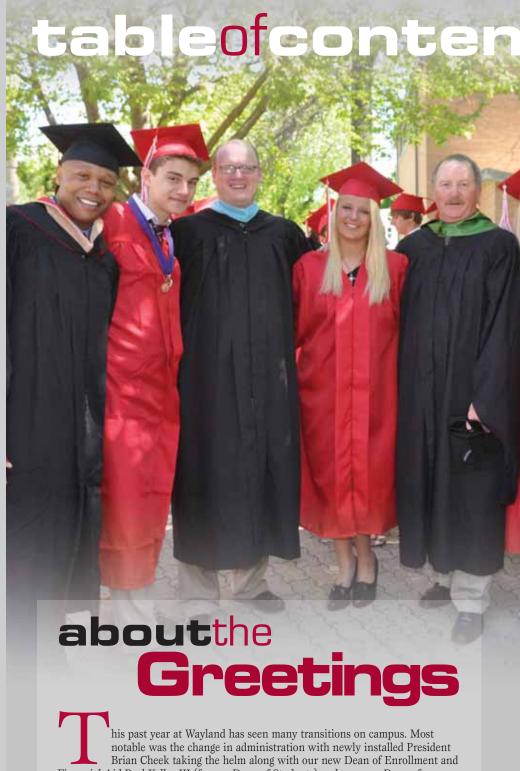
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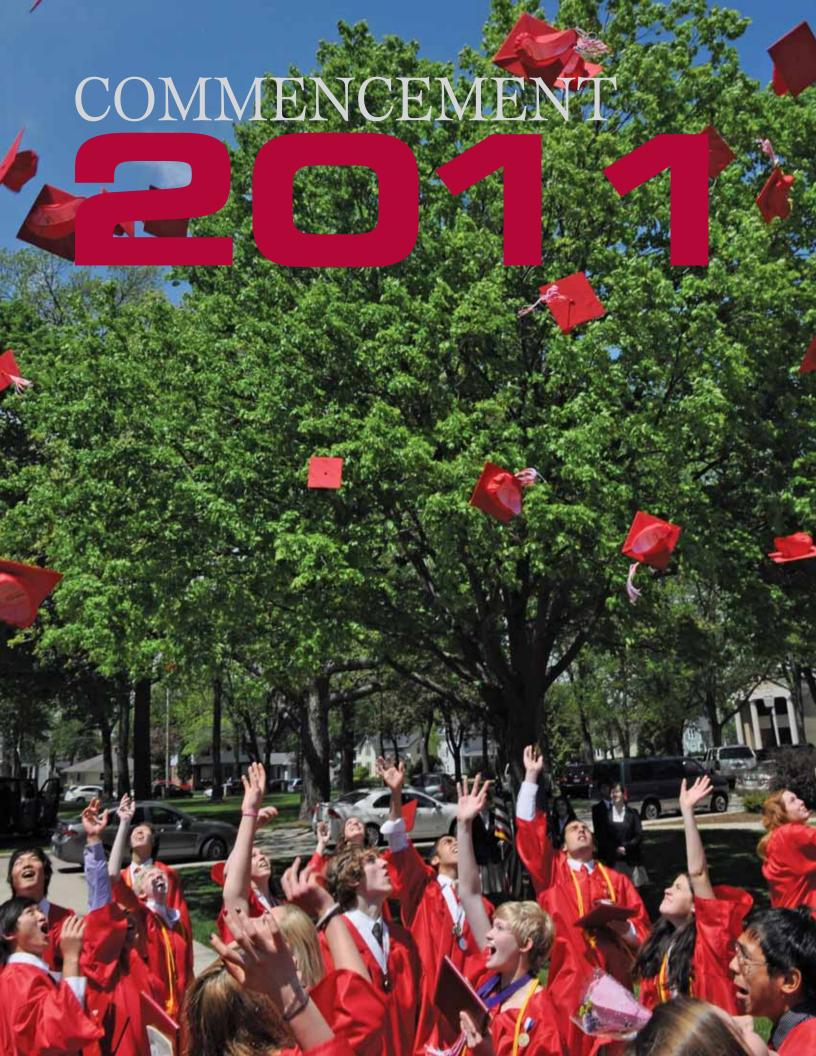


Financial Aid Paul Keller III (former Dean of Students) and our new Dean of Students Linda Tyranski (former English teacher and drama coach).

The Academy sent off 49 graduates into the world. The Spring Gala & Auction was moved from Pickard Dining Hall to Lindsay Gymnasium with tremendous success, and Wayland launched a new website. There have been many positive changes over the past year, but Wayland will continue to move forward and carry on with its mission: To prepare young people for a successful college experience, good citizenship, and a rewarding life.

Front cover: Pictured clockwise from left President Brian Cheek, son Valentino, wife Kristin and daughter Liliana.





A Journey Through Commencement 2011

The Procession... On a sunny morning at the end of May, a group of students gathered together in red robes in front of Kimberly Chapel and prepared themselves for their final walk across campus as students of Wayland Academy. After four years of challenges, four long, and yet all-too brief, years of classes, chapels, assemblies, shared meals, sporting events, study halls, dances, tests, essays and four years of making lifelong friendships, Wayland's seniors were getting ready to say farewell.

The traditional procession began with a trumpet fanfare that served as a cue for the junior marshals (Kyu Jin Jang, Renn Jervis, Emma Petersen and Meghan Turner) to begin leading the faculty, administration and seniors towards the flag pole. Class President John Pryme then raised the senior flag with assistance from Interim President and Academic Dean Joseph A. Lennertz H`86 and Dean of Students Paul D. Keller III.

Another trumpet fanfare announced to friends, family and classmates waiting inside Lindsay Gymnasium that the soon-to-be graduates were about to arrive. A few thousand cameras and cell phones were produced in anticipation of the moment, and then with nervousness, excitement and the occasional touch of hilarity, the seniors made their entrance two-by-two, often arm-in-arm, to their seats at the front of the auditorium.

The Ceremony...

After singing the Alma Mater the Wayland community was greeted by Mr. Adam Yankay, Chair of the Math Department, who delivered the Invocation. Class President Pryme then welcomed the audience and thanked "everyone that has supported the senior class."

Pryme proceeded to compliment the class on surviving boarding school's variation of natural selection, "I kind of like to look at us as a group of



 $Interim\ President/A cademic\ Dean\ Joseph\ H'86\ leads\ procession\ of\ seniors\ to\ where\ they\ will\ line\ up\ behind\ the\ administration\ and\ faculty$



Adam Yankay, Chair of the Math Department



Class President John Pryme



Salutatorian Moonhyok Kim

newly hatched baby sea turtles crawling for the ocean, which is life. We've made it past the seagulls and the crabs, and although we've lost a few to Mother Nature, those that you see before you have made it to the end and are ready to take the next plunge."

The next speaker, Salutatorian Moonhyok Kim, reflected on the bittersweet nature of the day, of how he and some of his classmates were beginning to experience some apprehension about college and the "inexplicable feeling of leaving the



place where we 'grew up,' especially the old Wayland Hall and the many episodes in it. "If I had to pick the hardest of the four years at Wayland, I would pick my senior year. Meeting new people is not difficult, but saying goodbye to friends and faculty members one has grown to really like over the four years can be."

Interim-President Lennertz then took to the podium and with his own, rather dry, sense of humor explained how Wayland had managed to keep everyone in a state of suspense all week over who the speaker would be. "Most people were speculating that it would be someone incredibly famous," he said. "But as it turns out, I will be your speaker today."

Commencement Address by Mr. Joseph A. Lennertz H`86

It has been an interesting year. I have done a lot of things that I never thought I would be doing. And I have spent quite a bit of time trying to think of how a Spanish major from the south side of Chicago actually got to stand here.

To answer that question, we have to talk about personal beliefs and rules. Let me put your minds at ease. I don't want to talk about those rules you were supposed to follow while at Wayland. These are rules like the golden rule — rules that override all the other rules. I think these rules are the answer to my question and define the basic responsibilities that go to living in any community.

One of my favorite books about rules for living is *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*. If you have ever been to my office, while trying not to make eye contact with me, you may have seen the poster on the wall.

In the essay, the author — Robert Fulghum — talks about his taking stock and reevaluating his rules for living every once in a while — to ground himself once again in the things that are most important, basic and fundamental.

It's a short essay and I have read it frequently because it reminds me that, just like the author, I have to reexamine my beliefs every once in a while. How does one get started? Let me read you some of what he says and see if you don't know these things as well already:

"All I really need to know about how to live and what to do and how to be I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was

not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sand pile at Sunday School. These are the things I learned:

- Share everything.
- Play fair.
- Don't hit people.
- Put things back where you found them.
- Clean up your own mess.
- Don't take things that aren't yours.
- Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.
- Wash your hands before you eat.
- Flush
- Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.
- Live a balanced life.
- Take a nap every afternoon.
- When you go out in the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands and stick together.
- Be aware of wonder.
- Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even a little seed in a Styrofoam cup - they all die. So do we."

Now let me share with you my "laws for survival." They are some of my major rules for living that have kept me sane — and hopefully productive — over the years. I include in my list the following eight items:

1) More is not better.

There was a popular saying "he who dies with the most things wins." My experience is that more of something is not necessarily better than less of something. I first articulated this when I went to visit a friend in college. She was frustrated that her posters would not stay on the walls. She was using big loops of masking tape that allowed the posters to sag in the middle and eventually fall because of their own weight. I suggested that small loops at the four corners might be better. My posters never fell off the walls. She is now a very successful banker in Chicago and still tries to convince me that more is better. I remind her of her pitiful posters.

2) Read the directions.

One of the things that drives me crazy is when people jump into things without reading the directions; without first knowing what they are supposed to be doing. I have a good friend — a Ph.D. in science no less — who gets stuck in the middle of every project because he has not read the directions and then has to begin again. So much for rigorous scientific methodology.

3) You pay for your sins in the end.

This is the law of deterrence. People should always remember that what goes around has this amazing way of coming back around ... usually when you least expect it.

4) The less you talk, the more you hear.

Now I admit I borrowed this one from The Gulag Archipelago by Aleksander Solzhenitsyn. In the book, Solzhenitsyn recounts his struggles in the old Soviet Union with the power structure and his journey as a prisoner through the camps called the Gulag. This is what he says about living under those conditions and the lessons he learned: "...all differences tend to level out, to disappear.... Own nothing! Possess nothing! Own only what you can always carry with you: know languages, know countries, know people. Use your memory! Look around you — there are people around you. And the less you talk, the more you'll hear." Very powerful words of advice equally applicable here and now.

5) "Think of three things: where you came from, where you are going and to whom you must give

an accounting." — Benjamin Franklin

In every action, we must consider the consequences; we must be aware of the effects of what we do or say. We must be aware of our responsibilities as teachers, students, parents and friends. We all come from somewhere and have some history.

6) Never do anything that doesn't make you happy.

This is probably the most important and least understood and followed law — even by me. This one I can remember my father giving me many years ago. Many of you have heard me say this before. Never do anything that doesn't make you happy. Let me remind you that this applies only to major decisions. This does NOT apply to shall I go to class or be in school dress or do my homework or pay my taxes — remember we are not talking about those rules.

7) Get involved.

I was at a conference in Washington, D.C., where I met some amazing independent school people. We all came together to struggle with the topic of character and moral education in independent schools. On the first



Soon to be Wayland graduates listen to Mr. Lennertz's Commencement Address

day, one of the leaders told a story that became the metaphor for the whole week.

The essence of his story was that one man, one evening, got off the sidelines and intervened in a situation because it was the right thing to do. The man in the story helped a complete stranger who was being wrongly accused of an action. He did not have to come to this man's aid. In fact, it caused him more problems than if he had just kept his mouth shut and ignored what was happening. But it was the right thing to do under the circumstances, the moral and ethical thing to do. So get involved, because you cannot fix things if you're not involved.

8) Ask for help.

I have been horrible with this in the past, always thinking it was a sign of weakness. I have learned time and again this year that it is just the opposite. Surround yourself with good people. You don't have to do it all yourself if you have the right people to help you. And they are not necessarily the most popular, most powerful, richest, smartest most athletic or coolest.

I have changed and added to my list as I thought through the ideas and positions I was taking, the decisions I was making. So can you. Putting the list together is the easy part. Living your beliefs is the truly hard part and something that takes a lot of practice and time to get just right.

Let me finish by once again borrowing from Mr. Fulghum again. He writes: "Think what a better world it would be if we all — the whole world — had cookies and milk about three o'clock every afternoon and then lay down with our blankies for a nap. Or if all governments had as a basic policy to always put things back where they found them and to clean up their own mess."

And it is still true, no matter how old you are — when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.



Valedictorian, David Mosley

The final speech of the day belonged to the Valedictorian, David Mosley who delivered a memorable valedictory address. He thanked his parents, faculty members and friends and reflected on what his four years at Wayland meant to him: "There have been some pretty fantastic times, but I think I can speak for everyone here when I say we're ready. It's time to move onto college. I know it's hard to think back so far, but back in the fall of 2007 I arrived here as a shy, short fourteen year old boy. Over the past four years I have really grown. With each passing year I feel that Wayland has helped me to gain greater selfconfidence. It's molded me into a more mature person. The first three years were definitely good, but this year, my senior year, has been great.

"One of the most important lessons I've learned this year was said best by Jesse Eisenberg in the movie Zombieland. Rule #32, 'Enjoy the little things'. This rings so true at Wayland. Sure, there may be the big milestones like "the axe hunt' 'spring break' 'class trips' 'Spirit Week'. But most of your time at Wayland will not be spent doing these things. It'll be spent in the daily 24 hour grind that is life at a boarding school. This is why one must absolutely take pleasure in the small everyday occurrences. Or you'll end up little more than a zombie yourself.

"It's about this time that I'm probably supposed to tell some big funny story about my time here. However I cannot do this. My time here cannot be defined by one singular event. It is the sum of one million and one small events, events that on their own seem insignificant, but added together make up my four years here."

David then concluded his speech with a fitting quote from Winston Churchill: "Now this is not the end. It is not even the beginning of the end. But it is, perhaps, the end of the beginning."

The Charge...

Lennertz concluded the ceremony with these words: "This is where I would say good luck, but you don't need luck, we just gave you Wayland diplomas."





Honoring Wayland's Best

WO VETY Special honors were bestowed upon a pair of very deserving individuals during Wayland's Commencement Ceremony. Trustee Chair Ms. Susan Peterson `63 stated, "It is with the utmost support of the Board of Trustees that Wayland Academy graciously extends to Mrs. Eileen Rauschert its Honorary Diploma and officially welcomes her into the Alumni Association of Wayland Academy in the Class of 2011."



Trustee Chair Susan Peterson `63 explains how Eileen's husband Karl Rauschert `47 has volunteered 35 years of leadership service to the Academy, and Eileen has, without a doubt, done so also.



Karl Rauschert '47 congratulates his wife Eileen on becoming a member of Wayland's Class of 2011.

Eileen, who joined granddaughter Anne as a member of the Class of 2011, replied, "Wayland has been such a great place for our family. Thank you for this honor."

Eileen met Karl Rauschert '47 at the University of Illinois where she was teaching in Champaign and they married in June 1955. Eileen and Karl moved to Fort Lauderdale, Florida, where she taught in the elementary schools in Broward County. In 1959 they moved to Bushnell, Illinois (Eileen's hometown), where they have lived ever since.

In Bushnell, Eileen again taught in the local school system and began teaching piano and voice to students in the area. Currently, Eileen directs a Foundation established in Bushnell to help fund extra-curricular activities in the local high school.

The Rauscherts' relationship with the Academy goes back to 1945 when Karl first came to Wayland as a junior. In 1976, Karl joined the Board of Trustees and served as Chair of the Board for 13 years; he has volunteered more than 35 years of leadership service to Wayland Academy, as, without a doubt, has his wife Eileen.

All of Eileen and Karl's children attended and graduated from Wayland Academy: Philip `76, Laura `80, and Mark `83 and granddaughters Addie `09 and Anne `11. The philanthropic support that the Rauscherts have contributed to the Academy has been given both selflessly and humbly; they have never sought public recognition for any of their many gifts to the school.

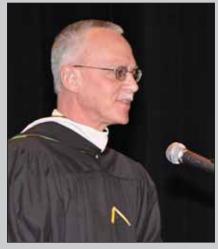
he Distinguished Service Citation Recipient

The recipient of the Academy's most prestigious award, the Distinguished Service Citation, is always a surprise. It is a closely guarded secret, not made known until Commencement. The Distinguished Service Citation is the highest honor that Wayland Academy can bestow upon an individual and has only been awarded to 32 people. It recognizes those who have given outstanding service to Wayland. The Citation acknowledges recipients for exceptional, sometimes incredible, contributions to Wayland's educational programs and for their steadfast commitment to the Mission and Traditions of the Academy.

The 2011 Distinguished Service Citation Award recipient certainly fulfills this description, and it could be said, Mr. Joseph Lennertz H'86 has far surpassed the bounds of those requirements.

This year marks Mr. Lennertz's 33rd school year at Wayland Academy. In a 1989 Greetings interview, in which he was affectionately referred to as "Señor Academic Dean," one question he was asked was "Why did you choose to come to Wayland?" His answer: "The idea of teaching in an independent school appealed to me. Working in a small community would allow me to have close contact with students and staff and have more of an opportunity to make a difference. I had interviewed for positions in Colorado, New Hampshire and New York, but staying in Wisconsin was my first choice. I loved Madison and had continuing friendships that were important to me. Ironically, I never had heard of Beaver Dam, so finding a perfect opportunity in my own backyard was a real plus ... besides, I needed a job!"

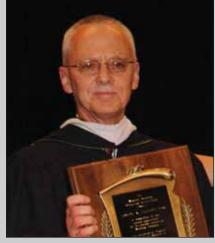
Since coming to Wayland in 1978, he has been an active participant in professional development activities, in workshops and conferences through NAIS, ISACS, ISM,



The Distinguished Service Citation is a closely guarded secret until commencement and Lennertz made a few remarks in regards to the surprise as well as thanked everyone for the honor.

and WANS related to faculty development, curriculum, administration, computer instruction programs and the teaching of foreign languages.

When president-elect, Mr. Brian Cheek, began his role as President of Wayland on July 1, 2011, Mr. Lennertz began yet another, new leadership role as Assistant Head of School. He is also continuing in his current role as Academic Dean. The exceptional leadership he demonstrated during the 2010-2011 academic year, and throughout his 33 years of service, and his dedication to the Academy, alumni, students, faculty and staff of Wayland Academy have made him a worthy choice for this prestigious honor.



Joseph Lennertz H'86 poses with the Academy's highest honor, the Distinguished Service Citation that was just given to him by Trustee Chair Susan Peterson `63.



A congratulatory hug

The senior class and audience gave Joseph Lennertz H'86 a standing ovation after he received the Distinguished Service Citation.

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Academy's

administration, faculty, staff and the Board of Trustees are honored to present the school's class of 2011!

William Allen

Marquette University Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Amelia Brandell

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Minneapolis, Minnesota

Matthew Bruning

Lake Forest College Lake Forest, Illinois

Sicheng Chen

The University of Alabama Birmingham, Alabama

Giovanni Diaz

Saint Xavier University Chicago, Illinois

Rebecca Downey

Lake Forest College Lake Forest, Illinois

John Estrella

Texas Tech University Lubbock, Texas

Rebekah Faust

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities Minneapolis, Minnesota

Enrique Galvan

Loyola University New Orleans, Louisiana

Mariana Ornelias Garcia

Marian University Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

Lara Greenacre

High Point University High Point, North Carolina

Alexander Haberman

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

Johann Herkenhoener

Undecided, Germany

Marshall Hiestand

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Josiah Hintz

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Florida Daytona Beach, Florida

Alexia Hoffmann

Carroll University Waukesha, Wisconsin

Taylor Jordan

Columbia College Chicago, Illinois

Moonhyok Kim

University of California at Berkeley Berkeley, California

Yong Jun Kim

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

Charlotte Lange

Edgewood College Madison, Wisconsin

Marine Laval

Grenoble School of Management Grenoble, France

Russell Little

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Yangfan Lu

University of California at Berkeley Berkeley, California

Mackenzie Miller

High Point University High Point, North Carolina

David Mosley

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

Michael Paugh

University of Washington Seattle, Washington

Megan Petersen

Scripps College Claremont, California

Mary Catherine Polesnak

Viterbo University La Crosse, Wisconsin

John Pryme

St. Norbert College De Pere, Wisconsin

Oliver Ptaschinski

University of Wisconsin, Platteville Platteville, Wisconsin

Sophie Ptaschinski

Marquette University Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Anne Rauschert

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

Ashley Rauwolf

Hood College Frederick, Maryland

Lisa Rayford

Smith College Northampton, Massachusetts

Conrad Rens

Roosevelt University Chicago, Illinois

David Rosas

Pomona College Claremont, California

Karl Schleevogt

Lawrence University Appleton, Wisconsin

Brooke Schumann

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

Caleb Sturges

Chapman University Orange, California

Amanda Tramm

University of Wisconsin, Madison Madison, Wisconsin

James Urquhart

Gustavus Adolphus College Saint Peter, Minnesota

Thierry Villarete

Undecided

Leslie Walton

Lake Forest College Lake Forest, Illinois

Siyi Wang

Boston University Boston, Massachusetts

Jennifer Whiteside

Marguette University Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Dong Yun Yang

Pennsylvania State University University Park, Pennsylvania

Hee Seung Yang

Oxford College of Emory University Oxford, Georgia

XiaoXi Yang

California College of the Arts San Francisco, California

Yushufan Zhou

Boston University Boston, Massachusetts







John Pryme with his parents Dr. John and Pam Pryme



The Hintz Family: Stan, Josiah `11, Darby and Caleb `08



Anne Rauschert `11 with her family Cynthia (mother), Eileen H 11 (grandmother), Anne, Karl `47, grandfather), and Mark `83 (father) and in front is Matthew (brother). Missing from the photo is Audrey `09 (sister).



The Bruning Family: Allison `14, Matt`11, Kevin `79, Mark `09, Ellen, and in front is Kevin's granddaughter, Kora Quigley, who has already expressed her desire to attend Wayland. Kora is 10 years of age and will enter the fifth grade this year. Kevin and his wife Ellen are co-chairs of Wayland's Parents Council.





Megan Petersen with her parents Gary and Nancy Petersen



Michael Estrella, his father Dr. Gerry Estrella, and Amanda Tramm



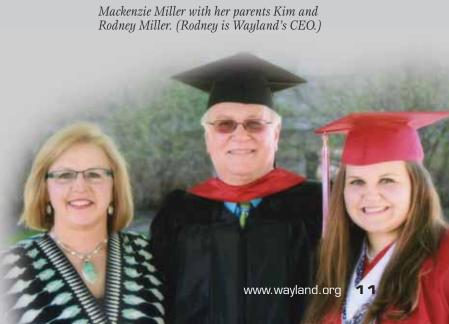
Marine Laval with her parents Verena Hoffman-Laval and Laurent Laval



Brooke Schumann with her parents Mark and Jo Schumann



Taylor Jordan and family



Commencement Awards



James P. Freeman President's Award -Brooke Schumann and Glen and Ella Dye Award and Kit Mayer Sports Cup -Anne Rauschert

For a complete list of Awards that includes those handed out during Honors Convocation on May 15, please go to www.wayland.org.



President's Award - Lisa Rayford and Alumni Association Memorial Service Award - Enrique Galvan



Earning the top two awards Wayland offers to seniors at Commencement are David Rosas -Edwin Putnam Brown Award and Megan Petersen - Laura A. MacDonald Award



Alumni Association Memorial Service Award - Leslie Walton



President's Award - Giovanni Diaz



The Weimer K. Hicks Achievement Award - Michael Paugh



Board of Trustees Award - Matt Bruning and Wiseheart Cup - Josiah Hintz



Commencement Memories

















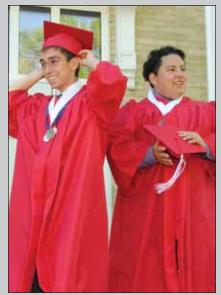




















Opportunities — this is what I see in Wayland's future. As President of Wayland Academy, I want to express the excitement and enthusiasm I feel as I look forward to helping the Academy reach its full potential.

Several years ago I set out to lead a school much like the one I attended, St. George's School. As an independent school student, I gained much from the experience — not just in the classroom, but also from peers, teachers, coaches and even directly from our Headmaster Reverend Andrews. Twenty-plus years since my time there, I continue to recall specific athletic events, classroom discussions and conversations with friends. These recollections help me each day when I am faced with difficult decisions.

My boarding school experience shaped my skills and perspectives. It is what eventually led me to a career in independent schools. Plainly stated, the experience transformed my life. I remain tremendously grateful for the opportunities it provided.

Opportunities are what make schools like Wayland so important. As Albert Einstein said: All that is valuable in human society depends upon the opportunity for development accorded the individual.

This is the essence of a Wayland education. The Wayland Experience grants each individual student opportunities that are not always afforded young people today. The foundations of a Wayland education are leadership positions, chances for personal and emotional growth, and an unparalleled academic preparation for college. These are not to be taken for granted.

Ours is an education that changes the lives of young people, students who will, in turn, change the world in which we live. This is why leadership and involvement in a school like Wayland carries with it great responsibility. We are living in a transformative time, a time of rapid change and abundant opportunities. We know too that the future holds many challenges.

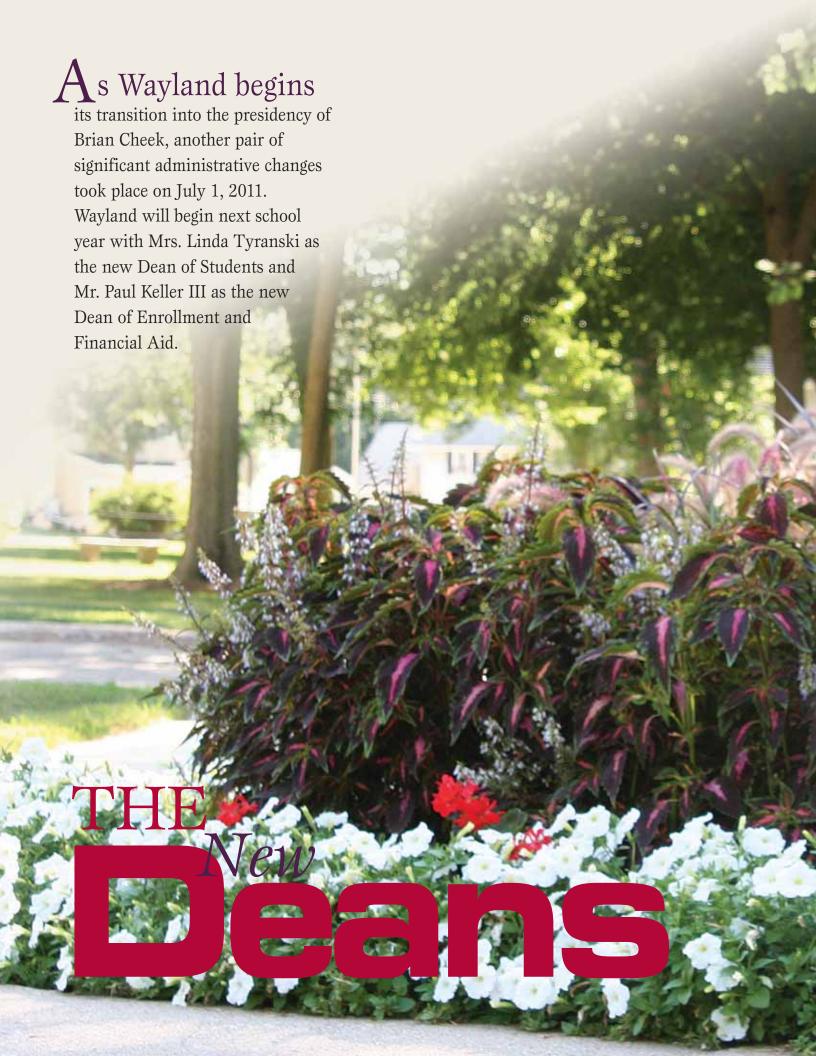
Therefore, together, we have the responsibility to provide Wayland students opportunities that will enable them to thrive and to enrich "all that is valuable in society."

As President, I do not feel burdened by this responsibility; indeed, I am inspired by it. Wayland students are capable, caring, thoughtful and respectful. Tomorrow's leaders are right here in Pickard Dining Hall, in the Dye Residence Halls and on Brown field. They take Latin with Dr. Lake, sing in Kimberly Chapel with Mr. Mientus and serve the community with Mrs. Ratajczak '96.

One can see the future is bright simply by taking in what is all around us at Wayland Academy. There is an energy that radiates from the faculty, through the students and to everyone on campus. Every day we have the benefit of seeing the opportunities ahead for our school, for our students and for ourselves.

Therefore, please join me in embracing the opportunities at Wayland Academy as we move forward in our effort to deliver knowledge to and develop character in young people. Wayland has touched your life in some meaningful way. As alumni, parents, grandparents or friends, you know what a difference the Wayland Experience can make in a person's life. I hope that like me, you will support the Academy generously, with all your heart.





Dean of Enrollment and Financial Aid

Paul Keller arrived at Wayland in the Fall of 2005 as the Dean of Students, and right off the bat he was impressed by the dedication of the faculty and the accepting nature of the student body. "Here at Wayland people take the time to get to know each other," he said. "We're very non-cliquey. It's okay to be an intellectual here. The students aren't being judged by the labels they wear, but by the way they present themselves intellectually, by their knowledge and character."

It is for this reason that Keller could comfortably extend his commitment to Wayland and make the transition into a new position: Dean of Enrollment and Financial Aid (the role formerly known as "Dean of Admissions.")

Keller is excited for the opportunity to let more people know about Wayland Academy: "We're doing amazing things on this campus. In my honest opinion, not enough of the external community knows enough about Wayland, and that here, just outside of Madison, we have this brilliant dynamic community." One aspect of his new job he will enjoy is gaining a "30,000 foot approach to Wayland" seeing how the school presents itself to the outside world and how it is getting its name out there.

Keller, himself, grew up in the Chicago area and attended an East coast boarding school. He says if he had it to do all over again, "I would have come to Wayland, had a life-changing experience but still seen my parents on the occasional weekend." It is an opportunity that Wayland can offer Midwestern students that Eastern schools cannot. In addition, Keller sees that Wayland in the 21st century will be even more international than it currently is and allow Wayland students to experience fellow students from Columbia, Japan, Mexico, Korea, China, the Republic of Georgia, and all over the world. It will give them a head start as they enter an increasingly global economy.



Paul Keller III Dean of Enrollment and Financial Aid

Although he looks forward to the challenges ahead, he will miss aspects of his former position. "It was a lot of fun to work with student leadership," he said, "and even sometimes with discipline, to help students at a crossroads in life and steer them in the right direction." Keller will continue to teach economics next year, and he, his wife Nathalie and his children, Paul IV and Charlotte, will continue to be a part of the Wayland family for years to come.

Dean of Students

Linda Tyranski began teaching at Wayland in August 2010, but before her start at the academy she gained experience in residence life working at the University of New England, Western Kentucky University, Xavier University and Eastern Illinois University. She has managed large and small residence halls, supervised and trained resident assistants and professional staff, overseen campus programming and assembled professional staff training programs. She also has experience in student government and student discipline.

The Dean of Students position at any boarding school can be a notoriously tricky responsibility. One has to find a balance between being both approachable and a disciplinarian, but it's an opportunity Tyranski finds exciting. "I have always loved working in student life – every day is different and fresh. I'm looking forward to working with the prefects, planning events and generally helping the campus



Lynda Tyranski Dean of Students

to become more cohesive. I look forward to wearing all the different hats."

Happily, one of those hats will still include teaching. The new Dean of Students will be starting an English Language Learning (ELL) program for all new international students. "I think it will be a way to offer extra support to our international students and help them integrate into the general student body," said Tyranski. "Grammatically and conversationally, the ELL program will help the international students to be successful in all their classes." Students who show advanced English proficiency will have the opportunity to test out of the class early. Tyranski's prior experience as an ELL instructor at Moraine Park Technical College includes working with students from Mexico, Latvia, the Philippines, China, Thailand, Germany, Iraq and Brazil, just to name a few.

Although most of her duties will fall outside of the classroom, the Dean of Student's new office will be located in the Academic Building adjacent to the Academic Dean/Assistant Head of School's office. Tyranski hopes this will make her office easily accessible to students between classes and during study periods.

In addition, she and her family (her husband Fred, and daughters Elizabeth 11, Kathryn 9 and Megan 6) have moved to a faculty residence in Ella Dye Dormitory and will be fully ensconced in the life of the campus community.











REMEMBERING Ann Elson

n September 11, 2001, hijackers of four airplanes destroyed the lives of thousands and altered the lives of hundreds of millions of people in America and around the world.

Any attempt to enumerate the lives lost or wounded or destroyed as a result of this event defies the abilities of any honest mathematician, economist, sociologist or anyone claiming the power to quantify human suffering. If you were to count the lives lost on that day and add to it the thousands killed in the war in Afghanistan that began two months later, then estimated the number of family members these people left in their wake, and added to that the number of friends and lovers and husbands and wives and children... you could conjure a number. But what would that number mean? Numbers can be as useless as they can be useful. How many tears did you last cry? How much does sorrow weigh?

This is not a fruitful way to understand a tragedy.

If tragedy on this scale is a thing to be understood, to be overcome, or to be redeemed, it can only be done by recounting the stories of individuals.

There once was a girl who went to Wayland.

Ann Nelson `89 was like you. Or she was like vour sister. Your daughter. Your granddaughter. Your niece. Your friend. She went to Wayland. She slept in Warren Cottage. She ate in the dining hall. She ran on the athletic fields. She went to assembly with her



Wayland Academy's 1988 Varsity Tennis Team: Ann Nelson is pictured far left in the bottom row

friends. She studied during study hall. And eventually she put on that red gown, joined her friends for one last walk together, and graduated in 1989.

She went to Carleton College and also studied in Cambridge. She traveled the world and made friends wherever she went. She was successful, had good jobs and worked in big cities: Minneapolis, Chicago, and eventually New York. On September 11, 2001, Ann Nelson was working for Cantor Fitzgerald on the 104th floor of the World Trade Center. She was one of the thousands of people who died that day.

Her parents, Jenette and Gary, still live in North Dakota, where they raised Ann, and as they approach the ten year anniversary of her death, they are no less committed to doing everything they can to honor their daughter's memory and transform her death into a source of hope for others.

You may have read about the list Ann Nelson left behind. It was featured in a Greetings article five years ago, along with a re-publication of a New York Times piece about it. Ann's list was a document that the young woman had compiled on her laptop, a list of things she wanted to do, traits she wanted to cultivate in herself, ways to make herself a better, more giving person. It sat unnoticed inside the hard drive of her laptop for a number of years until her mother stumbled across it one day. It is titled "Top 100" but, a work in progress, it contains 36 items and a #37 followed by empty space. The list includes such missives as "2. Be a good friend." and "4. Keep in touch with people I love and that love me." It is full of items that



anyone could apply to their own life and find themselves a better, happier person for the effort. It also has a simple eloquence that has captured the hearts of many, many people.

After the New York Times article was published, Ann's parents, Jenette and Gary were flooded with responses from around the world. Jenette Nelson said, "One man sent us a music CD about the death of a young woman. He sent that from Germany. Two reporters from the main German newspapers came to visit us. CBS News sent a man out who spent about 6-7 hours with us... Guidepost magazine wrote a beautiful article about it." They were flown out for an interview on Ellen DeGeneres' show. There were many media contacts; Ann's story and the list she left behind had a clear, intrinsic power. Jenette Nelson explained that Ann's life meant so much more than the manner in which she died. "There are so many lessons to be learned from her life, the way she lived it. I really want people to feel what happened, and then I want them to get up and do something about it. Hate and violence are such an evil force in the world and there are so many things we can do to counteract them," she said. "I think that people can feel it through a story like Ann's if they get to know her and what she stood for... I think they will be motivated to make the world a better place. A place where something like 9/11 could never happen again."

The Kindness of Strangers

Ann's story has inspired people, strangers to her mother and father, to send her parents the gifts they cannot send Ann. Quilts, in particular, have unexpectedly arrived in response to the fifth item on her list: "Make a quilt." A woman in California, someone Ann's parents had never met, sent them a quilt that featured pictures of Ann and some of the poems Jenette had posted on her website.

The neighboring town of Tioga sent a police car to Jenette and Gary's home one fourth of July. They drove Ann's parents through the streets of Tioga, and then in honor of Ann, the town unleashed an incredible fireworks display over a large lake.

The most recent act of unexpected largesse came via a phone call to the Nelson home. The man on the other end of the line was Jeff Parness, the CEO of The New York Says Thank You Foundation, a charitable organization that sends volunteers from New York City to assist communities across America as a "way of commemorating the extraordinary love and generosity extended to New Yorkers by Americans from all across the United States in the days, weeks. and months following September 11." Parness had just finished reading a book Jenette wrote about Ann's life and said he was touched and he wanted to come out and visit. During

his visit with the Nelson's, it was decided that the organization was going to carry out one aspect of Ann's list: "7. Buy a home in North Dakota."

Rather than simply buying a home, the Foundation plans on building one and has begun fundraising for a project called "Annie's House." "We want to build a facility for handicapped skiers and wounded warriors," said Jenette. It will focus on teaching children and young adults with physical and cognitive disabilities, as well as injured veterans, how to ski in the winter months. In the off-season the facility will accommodate other adaptive sports such as fishing, canoeing, waterskiing and horseback riding. The project has raised \$700,000 dollars so far, and the Nelson's are hopeful that by September 11 of this year they can raise the remaining \$800,000 to complete the project.

A Family List

"Ann learned about making lists because of our family meetings when she was growing up," Jenette said. "We would sit around the table on New Years Day, and we would talk about what had happened in the past year. And what we hoped to do in the year to come. When Ann was little. I



remember she kept adding to the list. She'd shout: "And another thing!"

Jenette Nelson decided she'd pick one thing from Ann's list for herself, the thing she thought Ann would have picked for her to work on: "1. Be healthy/healthful." When Ann was a little girl, Jenette recalled, "...she used to take me out running. She would look over her little shoulder, her beautiful blonde hair bouncing, and she would shout, 'Get those knees up, Mom! Get those knees up!' I could barely get one foot in front of the other."

As she approaches the tenth anniversary of her daughter's death, Jenette has not yet decided how she will spend this September 11. She hasn't returned to New York since she made her only visit to Ground Zero in November of 2001. Instead, she has spoken at memorial ceremonies in North Dakota. Her husband has returned to New York City every year on September 11, and he wants Jenette to come with him this year. He wants her to read their daughter's name aloud at Ground Zero. But Jenette says New York doesn't call to her. She'd rather stay in North Dakota or attend the commemorative service at Wayland this year. "I know what Ann wanted for me, and if I felt there was any good I

could do by going back (to New York), I would go in a minute. But I really don't think that's what she'd want for me ... I don't think of her as being there. I don't go to her grave a lot either. I think of her spirit being with me."

It is difficult to believe that ten years

have passed since the September 11 attacks. A decade is sometimes less than a page in a history book, but to a human life a decade is an eon. Most of Wayland's graduating students were seven or eight years old when the World Trade Center fell. The freshmen were four or five year olds. This fact makes it all the more essential that we take time to learn about and remember those who have passed and those who have suffered their loved ones' absence. The Ann Nelson Memorial Service will be held in Kimberly Chapel on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 2:30 p.m.

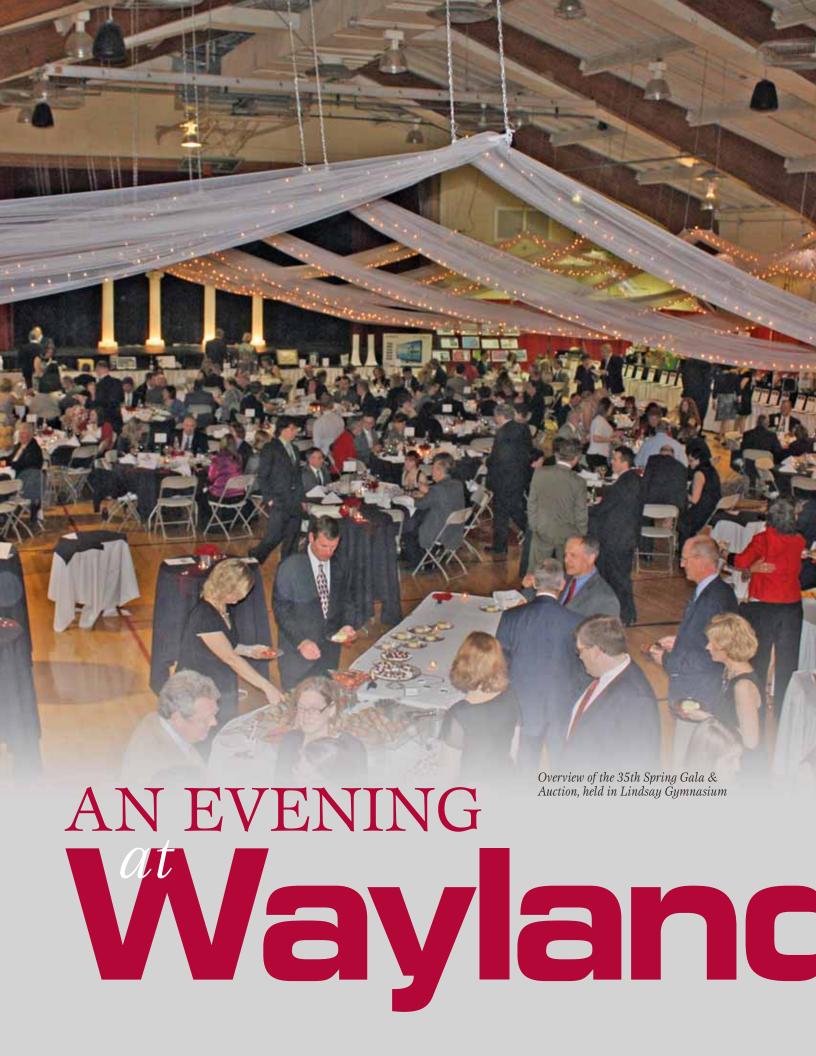
"I am not afraid of tomorrow for I have seen yesterday and I love today." from Ann Nelson's Senior Statement in the 1989 Wayland Academy Yearbook.



Ann Nelson

I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yester-day and I love today. HT- Just be happy! FW- you made the unbearable better than bearable. LB-Pier 1, muffins, Pick-n-Save and talks, what will I do without you? (I'll miss you) KG-I'm glad you came to Wayland. SB-sometimes things just click SD-NO WAY!! CZ- I'm hungry. JD-I kept dancing. THANKS Mr. P Mom and Papa I love you so much, thanks!!!! Scott thanks!

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A Bit of Wayland Academy in the City of Angels



Group photo of the alumni who attended the Los Angeles Area Wayland Gathering in March 2011

A record number of alumni attended the Los Angeles Area Wayland Gathering on March 26, 2011. The event featured a reception and a formal dinner. Just before dinner, the Interim President/Academic Dean Joseph

Lennertz H`86 gave a "State of the Academy" update and formally introduced then President elect. Brian Cheek. Vice President of Development Trent Jackson also represented the Academy. A special thanks to Hugh

Dinsmore `73 for helping to sponsor the event at Ca' Del Sol Ristorante, in Toluca Lake, California. For more photos of this event, please visit the Alumni pages at www.wayland.org.

Wayland Announces Swan Scholarship Recipient

Wayland Academy is pleased to announce that Jade Ramirez is the eighth recipient of the annual Mary Swan Scholarship. The Swan Scholarship, established in the spring of 2004, is a renewable four-year full scholarship for a resident of the Beaver Dam School District to attend Wayland. Miss Swan graduated from Wayland Academy in 1925 and taught English at the school from 1956 to 1969.

Ramirez is the daughter of Renee Everett and Pablo Ramirez. Jade wants to attend Wayland because she feels, "it will help me out in my future and to reach my full potential. I want to get into a good college and eventually enter the medical field. I am also confident that Wayland will build my selfconfidence and enhance my character."

John B. McKinstry H`10, a lifelong friend and trustee of Swan, said "Mary would have been very pleased with the exceptional quality of all the students who applied this year."

Paul D. Keller III, Wayland's Dean of Enrollment and Financial Aid stated, "The Swan Scholarship was a gift made by Mary Swan that will continuously support four scholars



Wayland Trustee John B. McKinstry H`10, who is a trustee of the late Mary Swan, is shown above with Jade Ramirez `15. Ramirez is the eighth recipient of the Swan Scholarship – a renewable fouryear full scholarship to attend Wayland Academy.

from Beaver Dam in perpetuity. We are pleased to welcome Jade Ramirez to Wayland as this year's recipient of the Swan Scholarship. We are appreciative of all the students and families who applied."

Wayland Students take on the Government

Three Wayland students were recently selected to participate in Badger State, a program that introduces high school students to the inner workings of government. Ryan Rabata `12 and Jacob Johnson `12 participated in Badger Boys State at Ripon College in mid-June, and Taylor Franklin `12 attended Badger Girls State at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

The Boys State and Girls State programs are run by the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary, respectively. The programs have run for over sixty years and have such distinguished alumni as Neil Armstrong, Tom Brokaw, Bill Clinton, Jane Pauley and Anne Richards. At their respective programs, the students were offered the opportunity to explore the inner-workings of government through classes, legislative sessions and a variety of activities.

Each of the Wayland students was elected to a different position which they had to research and then assume the responsibilities of their position during caucuses and debates. Jacob Johnson served as a State Representative for the City of Blaine, and Taylor Franklin was elected City







Jacob Johnson `12



Taylor Franklin `12

Attorney for the city of Cedar as well as the chairman for lobbying. At one point in her capacity as City Attorney, Franklin had to conduct a mock trial of a fictional murderer whose primary weapon of choice was a spatula.

Rvan Rabata was made a State Trooper, and described the experience as "a lot of fun." He and the other officers were sworn in at a ceremony, received training and then patrolled the different areas in Boys State making sure everyone was where they needed to be. During a visit from Wisconsin's governor to the program, Rabata and his fellow Troopers had to assist with security, surround the governor's helicopter when it landed, and make sure the governor got where he needed to be.

"I encourage everybody to do it if they can," said Rabata. "It was a really fun experience." Taylor Franklin agreed and said the experience has even changed the course of her future studies as she prepares for college. "Before this I was thinking of studying psychology," she said, "but now I want to go into political science and communications. I'm hooked on it."

Wayland Teacher Wins **Prestigious Award**



Wayland Academy teacher Dr. Keely Lake has been honored with a meritorious service award, an Ovatio, by the Classical Association of the Middle, West and South (CAMWS), which includes 31 states and three Canadian Provinces.

The award is given for outstanding service to the organization and to the profession of teaching Latin, Greek and the world of classical antiquity.

The Ovatio, a humorous but flattering tribute delivered in Latin, was presented at the association's annual meeting in Grand Rapids. It is the highest honor that CAMWS bestows on its members and is commemorated by an illuminated, hand-lettered scroll. waylandtoday

Wayland Students Interact

Wayland students provide community service in a number of great ways. They assist with the Special Olympics program, the Humane Society, work with religious organizations in Beaver Dam, and every year participate in a day of caring when the entire student body fans out across the city to assist seniors, work in elementary schools, the public library, and clean parks and public recreation areas. In an attempt to provide even more opportunities for students to serve their community, the Beaver Dam Rotary Interact Club was founded last school year to help students from Wayland and throughout Beaver Dam come together to help the area.

The club found its origins last year after two rising seniors, Mackenzie Miller `11 and Leslie Walton `11, attended a Rotary Youth Leadership Camp. Afterwards, Mackenzie's mother, Kim Miller (a Rotarian and Past President of the Beaver Dam Rotary Club), asked if they were interested in forming a club as part of Rotary International's Interact program. The girls were enthusiastic, and it wasn't long before they were organizing their group, enlisting the help of faculty advisors Dr. Keely Lake and Chris Mientus, and joining a program that connects over 200,000 students in 109 countries around the world.

According to Rotary International, Interact's goal is to allow students to "develop a network of friendships with local and overseas clubs" and to help them understand the importance of:

- Developing leadership skills and personal integrity
- Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others
- Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work
- Advancing international understanding and goodwill

The Beaver Dam Interact club has already reached 20 members in its first year. They've held their first elections, enacted a constitution and bylaws, set up a dues-paying structure and built a solid foundation for the club. Their first guest speaker was a representative from People Against A Violent Environment (P.A.V.E.) who spoke with the group about domestic violence, their organization's mission and ways that students can be of assistance. In the summer, Interact members will volunteer in Beaver Dam's community garden and work with rotary members in a number of other ways.

The club is just getting underway, but Kim Miller admires the initiative the students have taken thus far. "It's a stepping stone to learning about community service so that they can help make the world a better place," she said, and an important part of helping them adopt the Rotary motto as their own: "Service above self."

Beaver Dam Rotary Interact Officers 2010-2011

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First row (l-r) Assistant Head of School/Academic Dean Joseph Lennertz H'86, Zhen Lu Hu '12, Meghan Turner '12, Mariana Garcia '11, Mackenzie Miller '11, Michelle Miller '13 and Lizzie Warfield '12; back row Kim Miller (a Beaver Dam Rotarian), Leslie Walton '11, Edgar Garcia '12, Anne Rauschert '11, Zach Schubert '12, Samantha Lindquist '12, Alex Derr '12, Haley Fiegel '14 and Dr. Keely Lake



Have You Visited Our New Site?

If you have done any Internet browsing lately and found yourself at www.wayland.org, you should have noticed major changes. Our new website was launched April 4, 2011, although planning began in November 2010. The first step was for Vice President of Development Trent Jackson to form a committee, which consisted of:

- Interim President and Academic Dean Joseph Lennertz H`86
- Wayland's Director of Information Technology Bill Schwartz
- Wayland's Onsite IT Coordinator and English teacher James Cleary
- Parents Council Representative Virginia Gill
- Alumni Association and Board of Trustees Representative Mike VanHaren`83
- Director of Public Information and Publications Sue Voigt

Voigt was appointed project leader for the website overhaul and Cleary had a leadership role throughout the process as well. On November 23, 2010, the website development team met with representatives from Trivera, the web design firm, to discuss the desired overall impression and marketing message Wayland wanted to convey, along with details such as the new site's color scheme.

Over the next few months, a sitemap was finalized, and the committee worked with Trivera to develop a website that was simple, striking and easy to navigate. It also had to contain a calendar that could interact with the athletic department's Midwest Classic Conference schedule, and provide parents, students and staff with realtime updates to sporting event changes.

The new website is hosted by Inter-Quest of Beaver Dam. "They have been extremely helpful throughout the entire process," said Voigt. "It would cost Wayland extra for Trivera to host the website, but because the Academy already contracts with Inter-Quest for our IT needs, there are no hosting charges. In addition, Inter-Quest will take care of the school's E-commerce needs, such as online giving and event registrations."

Voigt noted that thus far, the endeavor has been a success: "There were a few glitches for about a week after the launch, but both companies worked together to quickly resolve these issues." Wayland has a website that is easy to navigate, has an attractive design and will be adaptable in the years ahead. We hope you enjoy the new wayland.org and visit the site for alumni information, special events or just to see what is new at the Academy.

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Editor's note: We will be pleased to publish your email address in future issues of the Greetings if it is included with your submitted News and Notes.

1940s

Don E. Jones, Jr. `46 writes, "In addition to running the annual Florida High School Thespian Conference, which registers 7,500 Florida high school theater students, I am also a trustee at the David A. Straz, Jr. Center for the Performing Arts in Tampa." To learn more about the center visit their website at www.strazcenter.org.

Laura Scheflow, daughter of Bob and Carrie '46 Hollister Scheflow, wrote that, "Carrie Hollister Scheflow `46 and her husband G. Robert (Bob) Scheflow celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in August 2010. They met as students at Beloit College (Class of 1950). Carrie died on October 9, 2010 after a long illness. Bob died suddenly five weeks later on November 17."

John W. Rohde '47 died September 17, 2010.

Dr. Maurice B. Gloudeman '48 died January 30, 2010.

Richard Moblo, husband of *Lavonne* Weber Moblo `49 and father of Mary Moblo Blumberg `73, died June 14, 2011. He is survived by nine children, 24 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

1950s

James L. Scott `50 died January 23, 2011, after a long illness.

Ioan Dunham McCombs `50 writes that she visited with Mary Whitefield Erb '49 at Mary's home on Walloon Lake, Michigan.

Theodore Kachelski '51 died August 6, 2010, at Hillside Manor in Beaver Dam, after a long illness. He attended Wayland Junior College.

Barbara Burstein Katz '51 writes. "Thinking of the great class of `51 during our 60th Reunion year and wishing that we could celebrate together. Those were the days! Love to all, Barbi."

Marilun Lusher Plath `51 died March 9, 2010.

Robert Onan `56 writes this about his brother Colin Onan `53 who died in November 2010: "Collie spent four years at Wayland and graduated from the Academy in 1953. He was selected by the Men's Dean, Mr. Tucker, to be dormitory president for his junior and senior years. He was, 'The House Mouse.' When I came to Wayland in the fall of 1954, Mr. Tucker told me, never to try to equal or exceed Collie's performance. He was the best Mr. Tucker had seen in his thirty years at Wayland Academy. As a young and less certain brother, this large footprint of respect was stabilizing for me. Characteristically, Collie never mentioned his Wayland achievements. When I told him what Mr. Tucker said, Collie replied 'Fats Tucker is the finest adult' that Collie had, at that point, met. He remains an inspirational person in my life too."

Judith Easton Opsahl `53 writes, "My husband Dick and I have moved from New Mexico to the Sequoias, a Continuing Care Community in Portola Valley, California. This puts us nearer to our children, who live in San Francisco." They are enjoying an active life there.

Barbara (Brita) Duce Sarwar '56 wrote to us that 2010 was a tough year. "In January I had a procedure on my heart for an arrhythmia. On June 8, 2010, my husband, Mo Sarwar, passed away from a heart failure." Brita adopted a cat to keep her company, and she hopes to attend her 55th reunion this fall.

Christopher C. Leslie `58 writes, "It was great to see Ray Patterson `40, Jr. in the Development Report letter and Tom Nissalke `51 as well. It brought back good memories. Thanks."

Jay E. Brown `58 writes that his "stepfather, Harold Booth (Class of 1919) went to Wayland, and my brother Scott Brown `56 attended Wayland all four years. I am retired, but I worked in engineering design for Western Electric, IBM, Rockwell Int. designing printing presses, etc. I spent 10 years in the USMC and I'm a Vietnam veteran. I currently do many projects with veterans as a member of various organizations. I'm an election judge and active with many fundraising activities, help to raise awareness of cancer, etc. I help any way I can and I'm always active." Jay recalls his Wayland experience was "really good. It really helped, even only a year."

1960s

Mary Koch Barclay `60 writes, "I have two grandsons, William Perry age eight and Wesley Perry age five. I'm busy with book groups and a beach house on Long Beach Island, New Jersey."

Susan Huntington `60 says that she retired as an NICU nurse after 37 vears. She left New Orleans after Katrina and now lives in Hot Springs Village, Arizona.

Budd Sprague `61 writes, "I am a widower and have four children and nine grandchildren. I travel to visit my extended family and travel just to see what is out there. I do still take a turn at the Ship Yard as back up! A little part-time work helps keep me current with emerging technology. Other than a trip to Japan in the spring 2011, I'm looking forward to October and my 50th reunion! Hope to see all alumni in Beaver Dam - Buddy."

Carole Fishelson Stone `62 writes, "M. Sampon H`60 would have given me a good grade in French if he knew I lived in France in the summer and spoke French well."

Barbara Weisse Capitaine `63 died in November 2010.

Iohn F. Fisher `65 writes that he is "retired and spending about five months in Puerto Vallarta and the balance in my home base of Denver, Colorado. I'd love to hear from all!"

Sarah Staub Hicks `65 writes, "My husband and I are enjoying our retirement years by traveling, golfing and spending time with our two grandsons. I would love to hear from my fellow classmates!"

Catherine C. Garnett `66 is "living in Massachusetts and loving it! I work for the Massachusetts State Parks and I am the Director of an Ecology Program."

Mary Ellen Atkinson Bertkau `67 writes, "We have left the north as of June 2010 and moved to South Carolina - very hot summer and even a colder winter, but we love it. I am now a proud grandmother as daughter Stephanie gave birth in August to son Jake. He's our pride and joy!"

Nancy Hagan Klein '68 is "Enjoying life and my granddaughter Taryn who is two years old. I spend a lot of time in Charlotte visiting my daughter and family. Our son Nelson is now 16. Having lots of generations around is fun! I would love to hear from classmates."

Trustee Burnie Sullivan `69 sent us a note that his classmate, H. John Sirovy, Jr. `69, died January 10, 2011. Burnie writes that John died of "complications due to prostate and pancreatic cancer. He was diagnosed in May/June 2010. John attended Wayland for four years. He was a Marine and served in Vietnam where he earned a Purple Heart and Silver Cross, an accomplishment of which he was reticent to speak. Though he did not attend college, he did receive a graduate degree from the Kellogg School of Management. He was a very intelligent person. He worked for a Japanese firm for many years and for the past five or so years taught business and marketing classes at a local college in Illinois. John was a good friend. I shall miss him - Burnie."

1970s

David C. Larson `71 writes, "We are now residing in Moscow, Russia. I am working as the Managing Director for John Deere in Russia and the other eleven countries of the former Soviet Union. This is a really unique, interesting experience. There is a wonderful ex-pat community from the U.S. and around the world. It was a large adjustment moving to a city of fifteen million people, but we have landed in a great area next to an opera school and close to the Kremlin, Red Square and the heart of the city. The huge bonus is immersion in a country with such historical significance, and watching its emergence as a modern society. We can be reached at hawkeyetoo@msn.com. We will be in Moscow for the next two years and would love to hear from classmates."

Frederick M. Snow `73 writes, "I am married to Michelle Bibergal. We live on North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, with my wife's daughter, Ava, and our two pups. My oldest son moved back to Chicago for law school. My younger son attends the University of Wisconsin. Michelle and I performed in our third Victory Garden Theater casting auction musical 'Thoroughly Modern Millie."

Jennifer Neese Taranto `74 says, "Hello to all my old friends - I have been thinking about you all. Our son Matt is pursuing law school at Georgia and our other son Chris will be a freshman at Park City High School; he is also a Jr. Olympic Freestyle Skier and a terrific hockey player! I only have the fondest memories of my time at Wayland and I am hoping to hear from my old roomies and friends. Life is short and I remember you all with the utmost goodness! Hope all is well. If you love to ski or just reminisce, please keep in touch. My best to Marty, Jenn and Terry F!! I miss you guys! Love to all the class of `73 and `74, some of my best memories! - Jennifer."

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1970s continued

Alison Lighthall `76, was recently named Clinical Director for DRYHOOTCH of America, a Milwaukee based national nonprofit organization that assists and supports veterans as they reintegrate into their civilian lives. Alison served as a Captain in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps from 2004-2007 as an expert in military psychiatry and recently worked at Fort Carson as the Lead Clinician for their Urgent Psychiatric Response Networker entitled "Rules of Engagement", which guides clinicians through best practice care when working with combat veterans. She lives in Watertown and would love to hear from classmates and hopes everyone is planning on coming in for the next reunion. Her daughter Sarah is living in Boston and her son Ben just joined the Israeli Army and is serving in Israel. You can reach her at alison.lighthall@vahoo.com.

Ben G. Baltes `79 graduated with a B.A. in Elementary Education after leaving a 25 year career in the business world. "I am excited and re-invigorated to teach fifth grade this fall."

1980s

Andrew D. Martin '81 writes, "After living in California for two years, I moved to Kansas City, Missouri, where I took a job as the Bank Secrecy Act (B.S.A.) Officer for Commerce Bank. I'm involved in all aspects of enforcing the B.S.A. regulations of the USA PATRIOT Act, and manage the Anti-Money Laundering/Terrorist Financing investigation team as well. Kansas City is great and it feels good to be back in the Midwest!"

John P. McConnell `82 spent the spring 2011 semester as a Resident Fellow at Harvard University's Institute of Politics in the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Benjamin Soeter '83 writes, "I live in a small town, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, similar in size to Beaver Dam, where my wife Yuli (also an Interventional Pain Physician) is busy with work and raising our two children. Our children's USA swimming activities take up a large part of our free time. I very much miss Wayland and believe in the experiences that a boarding school such as Wayland has to offer."

Julie D. Harris `83 writes, "I am an R.N., live in Missouri and love to travel."

Christopher J.P. Cooley '84 writes, "I would love to hear from old friends from Wayland from 1981-1983. I would have graduated in the great class of 1984, but I returned home to Indiana to finish my time here. Feel free to contact me if others remember me."

Lorrie Odom `85 lives in New York City and works in the field of entertainment.

Andrew Peirce Buchta '88 writes. "We returned from a family vacation out to the Big Island of Hawaii where I had qualified to compete in the Ironman World Championship held this past October in Kona, Hawaii. I finished in a time of 10:14:12 absolutely loved the experience. The journey getting there has been like no other (which began for me back in 2004), and I'm now looking forward to some downtime, less training hours, and setting new goals and proverbial mountains to climb that will take a lot less time and fewer early alarm clocks to get in workouts before sunrise!"

1990s

Sheffia Randall Dooley '91 writes that she "sings, dances, acts, and directs professionally in the Cleveland arts community. I direct all arts education and outreach programming at the nation's oldest African American theatre, Karamu House. I stay in contact with Wayland Alumni through Facebook, but had a great visit with Erik Brandt and his family last summer. I look forward to reconnecting with the Wayland community."

Patrick M. Gannon '93 writes, "Currently, I am working for a large corporation involved with the electrical design, implementation, evaluation, and configuration of electrical systems within nuclear power plants and other types of energy facilities. I owned my own electrical engineering company (Gannon Electrical Management, Inc.) up until October of this year when I merged with the company I currently work for (a previous client of GEM.) I married in 1998, have four children and live outside of Chicago with my family and am happy."

Melanie F. Sangobowale '97 writes that she "received my doctorate in pharmacy from Howard University School of Pharmacy (Washington, D.C.) in May 2010. I am currently working as a pharmacist in a community pharmacy in Arlington, Virginia."

Melanie Stevenson '97 was married to Samuel Sangobowale on March 19, 2011.

Dominic V. Ferraro '98 writes that the "Ferraro Family is doing great! We are still living in Wisconsin, but find our way back to Chicagoland quite often. In addition to serving as the Chief of Police in Endeavor, Wisconsin, and owning a private security/investigation firm, I have started another business, Endeavor Automotive, LLC, specializing in automotive repairs and transmission work. I hope all of my old classmates are doing well. I would love to

reconnect with many of you! My personal email address is: dom.v.ferraro@gmail.com."

2000s

Maja Stevanovich `03 writes, "Currently, I am working for the United States Air Force Global Strike Command in Shreveport, L.A. I moved from New York City where I was running my own business and worked in the marketing industry for four years. While in New York City, I worked for MTV Networks, the National Football League and Momentum Worldwide. I am also obtaining a Master's in Communication and Leadership from Gonzaga University. My undergraduate work was from Babson College in Business Management."

2000s continued



Jordan H. Cole `02 and Keegan Rehfeldt `**04** are excited to announce they were married in Vail, Colorado, on March 4, 2011. After six years of dating, they happily tied the knot in a small ceremony in the mountains surrounded by close friends and family. Also in attendance were Meghan Patrick-Crane `02, Abby Rehfeldt `02, Matt Harker '04, Sean Maloney `04, Kyle Dilschneider '04, and Breanne Rehfeldt `06. The couple currently resides in Westminster, Colorado, where Keegan is a footwear designer for Pearl Izumi, and Jordan is a Marketing Manager and a Fitness Instructor for Pure Barre Studios.



Claus Carsten Grunow '00 reports that, "on July 24, 2010, I was married to Claudia. We live near Frankfurt in Germany where I work for Deutsche Bahn, the largest transport and mobility company in the world, as project manager for our international strategy. This job will hopefully take me back to the U.S. soon."



Friends and family gathered on August 21, 2010, to witness the marriage of Karen Balfe '04 and Sam Davis '04, in a beautiful service on a beach on Lake Michigan in Oostburg, Wisconsin.

Attending the event were (l-r) Dana Leystra `03, Sam Davis (Groom) `04, Karen (Balfe) Davis (Bride) `04, Kate Lienke v05, Cait Randerson v06, Jake Rechek '06, and Kolin Kasten '04. Former music instructor Tom Patterson provided musical accompaniment to the service.

Susanna M. Carlson `03 is married, has a toddler son, and "couldn't be happier! Currently, I have just published my first novel. It is a young adult historical fiction novel set during the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake. It will be available online and in bookstores in June."

Jennifer Davis `04 is directing and producing a sold-out show at the New Rock Theatre in Chicago: "Murder at the Quiz Show."

Adam Benavides `08 spent the academic year of 2010-2011 studying abroad at the Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore in Milan, Italy.

Austin Fiegel `10 is attending Westminster College in Fulton, MO and has been accepted into the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity.

In Remembrance

John (Duke) Marthaler '42, died unexpectedly on Sept. 15, 2010 at his home in Fox Lake, Wisconsin, John Stratton Marthaler was the son of Harry and Gertrude (Miller) Marthaler. On Aug. 22, 1953, he married Joyce Zeltinger. Duke proudly served during World War II. He was a football fan of the Packers and Badgers and was an avid golfer. Duke belonged to the Fox Lake Country Club for over 45 years. He was a CPA and had a practice in Beaver Dam for several years.

Duke is survived by daughter Anne (Bill) Pfister of Madison, Wisconsin; brother Harold (Ruth) Marthaler of Pennsylvania; sister, Marlene (LeRoy) Wagner of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife in 1994.

Norma M. Neuman '42, died Oct. 11, 2010, while surrounded by family at St. Joseph's Hospital in West Bend. She was a resident of the Fields of Washington County in West Bend and was formerly of Beaver Dam and Arbor Vitae. Norma Marie was the daughter of Leo and Frances (Aukofer) Neuman of Beaver Dam. She was a 1942 graduate of Wayland Academy and in 1945 graduated as the valedictorian of her class from the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Oshkosh. Norma was a dedicated and caring nurse who truly loved her chosen profession. She treated each patient with the care, respect, and compassion she extended to her own family. She was a nurse at both the Catholic and Lutheran Hospitals in Beaver Dam for many years. In 1973, she retired, moved to Arbor Vitae, built her home among the pines, and worked as a nurse at the Howard Young Medical Center until her second retirement. Norma valued the importance of service to her community and volunteered as a nurse for the American Red Cross, delivered

meals on wheels, organized drives for local charities and was active in her church's charity events.

Norma is survived by two sisters Therese Sphatt of Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and Anna Johnstone of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and many special nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, and eleven brothers and sisters.

Eugene "Gene" Raddatz `47 died November 26, 2010. He was born February 26, 1929 in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin; he liked to joke that his birth started the Great Depression. When he saw the love of his life, Virginia Drake `39, at the local fair in Beaver Dam, he asked if she needed a ride home, then ran home to get his car. Gene and Ginni were married April 28, 1950 in Augusta, Georgia. Gene was a lifelong Green Bay Packers fan and he always wore either a Packers or Seahawks jacket. After his family, Gene's great love was cameras and he never left the house without one. He made friends wherever he went, was instantly recognized at local businesses and was not afraid to speak his mind. He was a life-long Democrat, never losing his interest in politics and political discussion. Gene graduated from Wayland Academy and earned a B.S. in Sociology and M.S.W. from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Gene also served in the U.S. Army, translating Russian during the Korean War. After establishing the Welfare Department on the Menominee Indian Reservation, Gene and his family moved to Olympia, Washington. He worked for the State of Washington from 1966 until he retired in 1994. After retirement, Gene and Ginni spent time with family and friends and traveled throughout the United Kingdom and Europe.

Gene is survived by his wife of 60 years, five children, two grandchildren, a brother, a niece and a nephew.



Estella Stone Berven `56

Estella Stone Berven `56 died May 2. 2011, after being diagnosed with breast cancer less than two years previously.

Stella grew up in Kenilworth, Illinois, and graduated from Wayland Academy in 1956. She earned a B.S. degree in Occupational Therapy (OT) at Western Michigan University and an M.A. in counseling at San Francisco State University, in addition to graduate study at the University of Wisconsin-Madison that lead to certification as an orientation and mobility specialist. She worked as an OT at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago; as a Rehabilitation Counselor at the San Mateo County California Mental Health Service; and as an OT at Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, New Jersey. Most recently, she practiced OT as an orientation and mobility specialist for more than 25 years in Madison, working primarily with people who were blind in learning to travel independently with the help of a long cane or dog guide.

While working at the San Mateo County Mental Health Service, Stella met Norm Berven, who came to work there, just out of graduate school. Norm immediately felt a special connection with her, finding her to be an exceptionally warm, sensitive, sweet, kind, compassionate and fun person, with a beautiful smile.

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Fortunately, for Norm, Stella felt a connection with him, too. They quickly fell in love and, after knowing each other for only seven months, they were married on October 11, 1969, in Sausalito, California, just across the Golden Gate Bridge from San Francisco. Their beloved daughter, Jennifer, was then born in San Francisco on March 13, 1971.

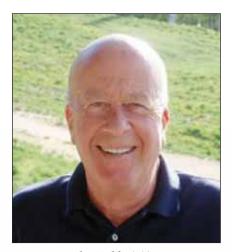
Stella loved most the time that she spent with her family and friends. She was an avid fan of Wisconsin Badger sports, particularly basketball, and enjoyed movies and theater, in addition to many other interests. She was a long-time member of the Attic Angel Association and P.E.O. Chapter H, in addition to a number of other community organizations.

Stella is survived by her husband Norm; daughter Jennifer of Madison, Wisconsin; sister Elizabeth (Randall) Sass of Mundelein, Illinois; brother David (Ba) Stone of Vero Beach, Florida; in addition to many other relatives and friends.

Brigadier General (Retired), Robin Gene Tornow `60, died August 22, 2010. General Tornow was a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado. He retired from the U.S. Air Force after 29 years of service to his country. He served on the National Board of The Arnold Air Society and Silver Wings. Rob received a Master's Degree in Engineering Mechanics from the University of Texas. He was active in developing the plans and securing the funds for the Veterans Memorial Plaza in Newnan, Georgia. Rob was director of the University of West Georgia Newnan Center for 11 years, a member of the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission, a board member of the United Way of Atlanta and also a member of the VFW, and the Newnan Rotary Club.

He was named Coweta County Citizen of the year in 2008. Rob was an active member of Newnan First United Methodist Church.

General Tornow is survived by his wife Barbara Kelly Tornow of Newnan, Georgia; daughter Kelli (Brad) Frazier of Grapevine Texas; son Brett (Kristin) Tornow of Roswell, Georgia; his mother Antonia F. Tornow of Newnan, Georgia; brother Joel Tornow of Meridian, Idaho; and four grandchildren.



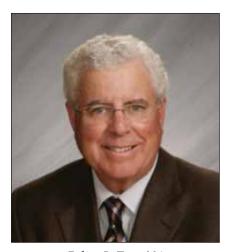
John Todd Figi `62

John Todd Figi `62, died January 9, 2011, at the UCSD Medical Center as he awaited a lung transplant. Subsequently, Todd became an organ donor himself. He had served as Chairman of the Board of the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, and was respected for his collection of Latin American art and for his success as a businessman. His brother Hans of Guilford, England, wrote: "For all his success and notoriety, he was ultimately respected for being a regular guy who could just as happily share a beer with the gardener as be the host of a black-tie party in a foreign capital. When he spoke to you he made you feel like you were the most important person in the world."

Featured in the La Jolla Light newspaper's 10 Questions column in 2008, Todd wrote that he was inspired by creativity, hard work and those who practice both. He wrote that his greatest accomplishment, "was starting as a hippie with an idea and building it into one of the largest, most creative and respected gift companies in the country." That company, Figi Graphics had its roots in Wisconsin, where he was born and raised. His parents had started Figi's Gifts in Good Taste in the kitchen of their one-bedroom apartment. Their pioneering company ultimately became a leader in the mailorder gift-food business. Todd merged it with another company in 1973. In February 1974, winter coat and hat in hand, Todd relocated his company to J Street in San Diego, California. The company sold everything from photo frames and wall decor to refrigerator magnet to gift stores across the U.S. and around the world. He sold the company in 1998.

In addition to his involvement with the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Todd served as president of the San Diego Chapter of Young Presidents Organization and was active in many local and national charities, usually anonymously. Among them were the Old Globe Theater and the Monarch School. He also served as chairman of the California Gift Association and received the Award of Distinction from Gift for Life for his support of AIDS education and research. In February 2010, Mayor Jerry Sanders appointed Todd to the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture.

Todd is survived by his wife Norma Jean Figi of La Jolla, California; sister Sara Finkle of Aspen, Colorado; and brothers Hans (Sharon) Figi of Guildford, England, and Eric (Alison), Figi of La Jolla, California; three nieces and three nephews .



Robert L. Esten `64

Robert L. Esten `64 died October 11, 2010, surrounded by his family at the UW-Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin. Bob was born in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin in 1946 to Margaret (Logeman) and Phillip A. Esten. Bob graduated from Wayland Academy in 1964 and Stanford University in 1968. He married Linda Spaans on September 16, 1978, in Sonoma, California. Their son, Jordan `02, was born in 1984. Although their time together was cut short, Bob was an incredible father and mentor to Jordan.

After graduating from Stanford, Bob spent 29 years in the paper industry with Thilmany Pulp and Paper, Akrosil, and the Fox River Paper Company where, in particular, he became president and chief operating officer.

After Bob left the paper industry, he worked as a senior partner with Phoenix Consulting Associates. He became president of Wayland Academy on January 1, 2002, after leaving his role as the Academy's Chair of the Board of Trustees. His credentials made him uniquely qualified to handle

the business side of the presidency, while his heartfelt love for the school drove his desire for excellence on campus.

He led Wayland through one of the school's most exciting decades, as he oversaw the Sesquicentennial Celebration in 2005, which attracted nearly 1.000 alumni from around the world. He put together an exceptional administrative team that offered the Academy long-term stability, and he recruited outstanding faculty while initiating the Wayland writing program. Under his leadership, the school increased its student population by 57% and Wayland's endowment tripled. Lastly, he successfully administered the refurbishment of Wayland's 1855 icon building. Wayland Hall. Wayland Hall was rededicated on October 17, 2009, during the Alumni Reunion Weekend.

The Esten family's devotion to Wayland Academy goes back over 100 years. Bob's Grandfather, O. D. Esten, served the school as a teacher, coach and Dean of Boys from 1902-1912. Bob's father, Phillip, graduated from Wayland in 1929 and received the Academy's Distinguished Service Citation in 1984. Bob also had two siblings who graduated from Wayland and, in 2002, his son, Jordan, graduated from the Academy. Bob's sudden death came as a surprise to all. Legacy, alumni, trustee and parent, Bob experienced Wayland in a way no other head of the school ever had.

Bob had a passion for learning, and his advice to Wayland students was simply, "do the work." He was the ultimate grammarian, which he initially learned from his English teacher at Wayland, Miss Swan (Class

of 1925). He also had a great interest in new technology, as he purchased his first Apple computer in the early 1980's and his last in 2010.

Bob had a great interest in fine wine, gourmet food, and traveling the world with his friends and family, whom he loved dearly.

Bob was an avid sports fan and especially had a great love and respect for the game of golf and its customs and traditions. He grew up as a member of Old Hickory Country Club in Beaver Dam where he made his first hole-in-one at the age of 12 and was Club Champion in 1968. Bob was also a long time member of North Shore Golf Club in Menasha, where he served as a Board Member and President of the Club. He especially loved playing golf with Jordan; he had looked forward to more of this in his retirement years.

Bob served as Chairman of the Board of the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region and was a Director of Horicon Bank.

Bob is survived by wife Linda S. Esten of Menasha, Wisconsin; his son, Jordan Esten of Hanover, New Hampshire; his sisters and brother, Mary Margaret (friend, Jim Butterbrodt) Wohlwend of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin; Elizabeth Esten Cross of Northbrook, Illinois, and Phillip (Mary LaPlant) Esten of LaCrosse, Wisconsin; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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Gregory F. Leydig `68, died October 15, 2010 of pancreatic cancer. Greg grew up in Arlington Heights, Illinois. He attended St. Viator for two years before transferring to Wayland Academy. After Wayland, Greg attended Lawrence University, Harper College and the University of Arizona all the while active in the theatre. He left Arizona before graduation to go to Hollywood where he spent the next several years in various TV shows and films. He then became a professional tennis player. Following a period in which he competed in the tour, he became a teaching pro at several top Florida clubs and resorts. He also served as a highly trained lifeguard on both of Florida's coasts. In later years he concentrated on his true loves music and art - and became extremely proficient in both.

Greg is survived by his parents; his sisters, Deborah (Bruce) Pfaff and Suzann (Lothar) Schubring, brother Gary (Laurie) Leydig; and his nieces and nephews.

Margaret "Peg" Boldt Anderson `74 died May 26, 2011, with her family by her side at her home in Park City, Utah after a courageous ten-year battle with cancer. Peg was born in Appleton, Wisconsin, the daughter of Oscar and Patricia Boldt. She attended Wayland Academy and graduated from St. Olaf College. Peg married Brian Anderson in Minneapolis, Minnesota in 1985. They have three children, Stiles and Nicole Anderson (Chicago, Illinois), Seth Anderson (Salt Lake City, Utah), and Maggie Anderson (Salt Lake City, Utah).

Peg was a founding member of the Park City Education Fund, an active member of the Park City Community Church, organized two P.E.O. chapters, and led a Senior Girl Scout troop and many other Park City, Minneapolis and Appleton area organizations.

Peg is survived by her husband Brian; her three children Stiles, Seth and Maggie; her parents O.C. and Pat Boldt; her brothers Chuck and Tom Boldt and their families; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews in the Anderson, Boldt, and Hamar families. Peg will be remembered for her eternal optimism, caring nature, and loving heart.



Jill VanHaren Bornor '80

Jill Marie VanHaren Bornor `80, died unexpectedly on June 23, 2011, in Racine, Wisconsin. Jill was the daughter of Roger H`84 and Marilyn (nee Schroeder) VanHaren. She graduated from Wayland Academy in

1980 and earned a B.A. in Spanish Literature in 1984 and an M.A. in Journalism in 1985, both from Northwestern University. She was united in marriage to John R. Bornor on July 18, 1987 in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, and moved to Racine where John worked as an editor at the Journal Times and Jill taught Spanish in the Kenosha School District.

Jill enjoyed the study of languages and particularly loved all things Spanish. She and her husband visited Mexico on a regular basis. Jill loved theater and music, having participated in many Beaver Dam Area Community Theatre and Wayland productions, as well as the Wayland Singers. Her particular loves were singing, and playing piano, flute and French horn.

Jill is survived by her husband John Bornor of Racine, Wisconsin, her parents, Roger and Marilyn VanHaren of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin; her four brothers, TJ '81 (Kim Morioka) VanHaren, Mike `82 (Jessi) VanHaren, Chris `84 (Carla Fermann) VanHaren, Mark `87 (Nerissa) Wong-VanHaren; and nephews and nieces Cameron, Ella, Nolan, Tyler, Melanie, Carter, and Stephanie VanHaren, and Zoe and Trevor Wong-VanHaren, and John and Nick Boline; her godparents Uncle Mike (Carol) Schroeder and Aunt Joyce VanHaren; John's sister Ann (Peter) Boline: Aunt Nancy Schroeder; and cousins, other relatives and friends.

"Te queremos, nuestra Jillita." God be with you 'til we meet again.



Lindsey Durlacher `92

Lindsey C. Durlacher `92, died unexpectedly in his sleep June 4, 2011. Durlacher was at home recovering from surgery in Denver, Colorado. He had suffered a broken sternum in a snowmobile accident in February. No details are available on the cause of his death.

Lindsey Durlacher was a Greco-Roman World Bronze medalist. At the 2006 World Championships in China, Lindsey won the bronze for the 121-pound weight class. He was a medalist in 2003 and 2007 at the Pan American Championships. He was one of the most decorated wrestlers in Illinois history. He won the state wrestling championship for Buffalo Grove High School in 1992, was named to the ASICS All-American First Team and posted a record of 44-0-1 his senior year. He also attended Wayland Academy in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, where he won the Wisconsin state title in 1991.

He was a two-time All American at the University of Illinois, placing second in the 1997 NCAA Championships and fourth in the 1996 NCAA Championships. Durlacher was a fourtime NCAA national qualifier. Lindsey earned a degree in sports management in 1997.

Durlacher won numerous gold medals at the Maccabiah Games, wrestling in the event in 1993, 1997, 2001 and 2005, competing in both Greco-Roman and freestyle. He also competed professionally in Mixed Martial Arts. For many years, he was a U.S. Olympic Training Center resident athlete in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Durlacher served as an assistant coach on the Division I college level at four universities, including the University of Illinois, the U.S. Naval Academy, Northwestern University and Northern Illinois University. For the last year, he served as a resident coach at the RiNo Sport Galleri in Denver. In 2007, he was inducted into the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association Hall of Fame.

Former Faculty and Parents

Helene A. Fierke, died May 6, 2011, at Hillside Manor in Beaver Dam. She graduated from Valparaiso University in Indiana and taught English at Edison Junior High until she married her college sweetheart, Lt. Col. David Fierke in 1942. Her husband served in the Pacific in World War II. She returned to Indiana and taught until David's safe return in December 1945. After his return, he accepted a position at St. John's Military Academy in Delafield, Wisconsin, where he taught and eventually became Dean of Students, Director of Admissions and

Head Master. Helene worked as an assistant for five years until she became a stay-at-home mother to her two children. In 1966, Fierke family came to Wayland Academy where David wore many hats: he taught History, was Dean of Senior Boys, Academic Dean, and was Director of Studies and College Placements from 1966 to 1981. Helene taught English for five years at Wayland until illness caused her to retire. David passed away in 1981 just after his retirement.

She was a member of Peace Lutheran Church, Peace Circle, The Lutheran Women's Missionary League, the American Association of University Women, the Beaver Dam Women's Club, the Beaver Dam Arts Association, and the Beaver Dam Hospital Volunteers (where she served as President) and was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels. She was also president of the Waukesha Red Cross, the Summit Garden Club, and the Oconomowoc Women's Club and the Oconomowoc Hospital Auxiliary. She belonged to numerous clubs and organizations throughout her lifetime always giving back to the communities she loved.

Helene was known for her beauty, wisdom, graciousness, and her love of the arts. She was an avid gardener, not too bad of a golfer and enjoyed her bridge games. She was greatly loved and will be missed.

She is survived by daughter Deborah (Pierre) Briere and son David Fierke Jr., grandchildren Aaron (Susie) Nummerdor and Zoey (Michael) Scherer, and five great grandchildren Amalia and Michael Scherer, and Tallulah, Gabriel, and Gavin Nummerdor and many other friends and relatives.



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Friday, October 7

Noon - 5 p.m. Registration, Frame Lounge

5 - 7 p.m. Alumni Reception Honoring the classes of 1961 and 1986 for their 50th and 25th class

Saturday, October 8

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Registration, Frame Lounge 9 - 10:30 a.m. Breakfast, Pickard Dining Hall

10:30 a.m. - Noon All Alumni Meeting and State of the

Academy, Pickard Dining Hall. All Class Photo on the steps of Wayland Hall.

Football Game vs. University School of 1 p.m.

> Milwaukee, on Brown Field (as well as a few other sporting events on campus)

5:30 - 7 p.m. Social Hour and Class Photos,

Old Hickory Country Club, Beaver Dam

7 p.m. All Alumni Dinner and program,

Old Hickory Country Club, Beaver Dam

Sunday, October 9

11 a.m. - Noon Brunch, Pickard Dining Hall

