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Front Cover: Dr. Elizabeth Musil, student Janelle Juul and Executive Dean of the School of Pharmacy Curt Gielow (l-r) fill a prescription in CUW’s new \$12 million School of Pharmacy. The building will be dedicated on Friday, September 16. *Photo by Bruce Prom*

Back Cover: On March 7, 2011, in the Concordia Center for Environmental Stewardship, Concordia’s School of Education hosted a learning event on Africa in honor of National Lutheran Schools Week. More than 180 students from two different Lutheran elementary schools participated in the event, which included interactive activities on a 30 x 40 foot map of the continent, literacy stations, arts and crafts, and a Q&A with a Milwaukee Lutheran High School student who immigrated from Africa as a young man. *Photo by Craig McCarthy*

A Good News Bad News Thing

Some things in life contain elements of both good and bad, and now we report on one of them. The good news is that Tirzah Cook, our student editor for the last three years, has graduated from Concordia. The bad news is that she is no longer our student editor. A hearty thanks to the work that Tirzah did. She was a joy to work with, always in a good mood, was creative in her ideas and her approach, and she was not afraid to voice her opinion. We will miss all of those qualities as well as Tirzah herself. We wish her God’s richest blessings as she takes the next step in her life.



From the President

The Rev. Dr. Patrick T. Ferry

Tempus fugit—or, as we translate, “Time flies.” We may share that perception. Time does seem to fly. I have heard it said that time seems to go by more quickly as a person ages. As I have grown older, that is certainly what I perceive. The years roll by, and the pace seems to be accelerating!

Of course, for young and old alike minutes are sixty seconds long. There are twenty four hours in a day, and 365 days in a year (except for Leap Year, I know). The point is that time passes as it always passes; the measures remain the same. Tick, tick, tick...the movement of time never changes.

What varies is how we choose to spend our time. The Scripture is not silent about time management. Proverbs uses the example of the tiny ant as a creature modeling time spent wisely. Saint Paul exhorts, “Be very careful, then, about how you live. Don’t be unwise but wise. Make the most of your opportunities because these are evil days.” (Ephesians 5: 15-16) Spending time wisely is as much a part of faithful stewardship of the gifts God gives us as spending money.

In His interaction with the sisters, Mary and Martha, Jesus offers a particular insight into this topic. Mary sat down at Jesus’ feet to listen to Him teach. Martha, meanwhile, scurried busily to complete her chores pausing only long enough to complain to Jesus that her sister left her to do the work alone. Jesus put time wisely spent into clearer perspective when he told her, “Martha, Martha, you worry about a lot of things. But, there is only one thing that you need. Mary made the right choice, and it must not be taken away from her.” (Luke 10:41-42)

Learning at the feet of Jesus is what Christian education is all about. There are many things on this growing, bustling campus that keep faculty, staff, and students at Concordia busy. So much to do, so little time! Interwoven into the fabric of what makes Concordia distinct, however, is the recognition that growing in our relationship to Jesus Christ and all that this entails for our lives is what matters most. “Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.”

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick T. Ferry". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rev. Patrick T. Ferry, Ph.D.
President



Musings from the Editor

Dr. David W. Eggebrecht

Wow, time to muse for another issue already. Time does fly by! Our theme for this issue is “Spending Time Wisely.” With summer flying by, those involved with schools having three months free from classes, or involved only in short courses, people taking vacations, and even in the regular course of things, time can just slip away. But God gives each of us only so many minutes on this earth, and He puts us here to worship and glorify Him and to help spread the Word about His plan of salvation, so we thought this would be something worth thinking about.

There is nothing wrong with enjoying some leisure time. After all, God created the seventh day for that purpose, and on the seventh day He rested. But just wasting time is another matter. Surely we can use the leisure time God gives us in many worthwhile ways, including worshiping Him. There are the corporate worship services; and we can enjoy His creation by vacationing, biking, hiking, skiing, boating, fishing, and on and on. We can read a good book, fill time with an interesting hobby using skills God has given us, spend time with the families with which He has blessed us; go out with friends – the list is endless.

Leisure time affords us an opportunity to be creative in numerous ways with the creativity God has implanted in our minds and hands. I love to paint and direct plays, both of which I was involved with this summer. I read voraciously. I see my wife, my children, and all nine of my grandchildren using their time in numerous creative ways – which inspires me to use my time wisely and creatively, and with great satisfaction. So give some thought to how you use the minutes God has given you, and use some of them to read this issue of the CONCORDIAN. Blessings.



See London with

Dr. David Eggebrecht

March 16 – 23

Airfare from Chicago – American Airlines

- London:** four star hotel with full breakfast; city tour; three west end shows; seven day travel pass; time to explore
- Day Trip:** Oxford and Stratford on Avon – includes entrance to Ann Hathaway’s cottage, Trinity Church – site of Shakespeare’s grave
- Cost:** About \$2500 depending on the number who go
\$200 dollar deposit to save a space



Where are they *Now*



Chuck in one of his hosta gardens.

The Hostas Man

Dr. David W. Eggebrecht

Twelve years into his retirement, Chuck Finke is leading his dream life. He has always loved gardening and now can do it full time. On some days he works for a local nursery, but his primary love is for the hostas gardens on his property in Grafton. The eight acres are filled with two ponds and three and a half acres of gardens of various sizes and shapes growing different varieties of this plant. In addition, Chuck has two green houses in which he develops new varieties of variegated hostas, several of which have been nationally registered. Their leaf markings are varied, different, and quite beautiful.

Chuck registered this hosta with the American Hosta Society and it's named Charlie's Pride. He's a country music fan and Charlie Pride was one of his early favorite country stars with his "Kiss an Angel Good Morning" and also the connection to his name.



Chuck has had a full and beautiful life which he feels has been richly blessed by God, and as he looks back on his life he can see God's hand in how it has developed. A 1958 graduate of Concordia Teachers College – River Forest, Illinois, he had been the starting quarterback on the football team when he was seriously injured. With his athletic career thus curtailed, he turned to physical education as his major and began teaching PE near the campus.

He was the House Buck (resident counselor) at one of the resident homes at River Forest, and got to know the College President through his responsibilities. The President knew Chuck's interests and talents, and when call day came, Chuck opened his call envelope and found he was going to Concordia College/High School – Milwaukee to teach physical education and swimming and to coach basketball. And that was his career (note – all three of my children and hundreds of other kids learned how to swim from Chuck) At Concordia, he teamed up with Paul Naumann, and for years they were the exceptional physical education department at Concordia. Chuck chaired the department until his retirement in 1999.

Since then, he and his wife Jan spend every December through March in south Texas on Mustang Island (near the better known Padre Island), not far from Corpus Christi. They love their Texas time. Among other things, Chuck teaches a Bible class at the small Lutheran church they belong to there. They love their Texas condo and the

"Winter Texan" friends they have found there who also spend their winters in the warm Texas weather. Since their island is accessible by ferry, they have a lot of privacy, and they enjoy watching ocean liners and gigantic military ships sail by on a daily basis. They also have a great view of giant oil rigs and are not far from the famous King Ranch. Whooping cranes abound.

Always an avid fisherman, Chuck can now fish to his heart's content throughout the winter, catching a variety of fish that are great eating. Numerous enjoyable activities fill their time. Biking, bird watching, shelling, walking the pristine beaches, shopping – they never run out of things to do.

Balancing their time between Texas and Wisconsin, Chuck and Jan are leading an idyllic life. Chuck says the hunting is good on his eight acres, and his main problem is keeping the local deer from eating his flowers. A motion-activated water cannon helps keep the deer at bay.

As part of his job at the nursery, Chuck gets to make deliveries all over the state, which he really enjoys, and Jan often goes along with him. They have also gone on numerous cruises around the world and have thoroughly enjoyed those experiences.

"All in all," Chuck says, "life is good. God has richly blessed us." The Finkes are a great picture of retirement as it should be – thoroughly enjoying the fruits of a blessed life.

Falcons Over Vietnam—1967

Lawrence L. Purcell (CHS 61)

Upon graduation from Concordia High School, Milwaukee, in 1961, I enrolled at the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois, where I studied English, Middle Eastern History and Russian Area Studies. I also entered the ROTC program and upon graduation in June 1965, was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. I reported to Fort Benning, Georgia for Basic Infantry Officer Training, followed by Airborne and Ranger schools.



Larry Purcell (left) about two months after the helicopter story

In April 1966, I reported for duty at Fort Lewis, Washington, where I was assigned to the Third Brigade of the Fourth Infantry Division. I became a Platoon Leader in Company C, Second Battalion 22nd Infantry (Mechanized) (2/22 Mech). We boarded a ship to South Vietnam in September that year. In January 1967, having served as a Platoon Leader and Executive Office in Company C, I was promoted to First Lieutenant and assigned as S-2 (Intelligence Officer) of the 2/22 Mech.

One of my first duties was to receive an aerial orientation of the battalion and brigade area of operations in an OH-13 helicopter. This aging aircraft was a later version of the doorless bubble cockpit helicopters made famous in the movie and television program MASH. Three person OH-13 helicopters were configured with the pilot in the center and passengers on either side. All occupants wore flight helmets and communicated through an intercom system. The pilot communicated with other aircraft, ground stations and occupants by a button on the "Joy Stick" used to control the aircraft. The occupant seated on the right side of the aircraft, usually the senior passenger, communicated with other occupants by pressing a metal switch on the floor next to his left foot. As the junior passenger seated on the left side of the aircraft, I communicated by pressing a control hanging on a wire about four inches down from the left side of my flight helmet. I remember that when the pilot communicated with other aircraft I heard it in one ear and when we communicated over the intercom, I heard it out of the other.

I had never met the pilot or the other occupant until we all got in the small aircraft. The pilot was a Warrant Officer 1 and the other passenger was a Captain, one of the Brigade's Chaplains. As the senior passenger, he sat on the right side of cockpit. He had heard that there was an empty seat and also wanted to see our area of operations from the air.

We lifted off and flew north and west from the Michelin Rubber Plantation, and the town of Dau Tieng where our Brigade had its base of operations. (Actually, Dau Tieng is pronounced Yao Zingh in Vietnamese, a fact I did not discover until I returned there five years ago - no wonder we had problems!) As our flight progressed and we introduced ourselves, it became clear that we had all attended Concordia Milwaukee. The Chaplain graduated from Concordia Junior College a few years before I left, married and attended seminary and received a Divinity Degree at the Springfield, Illinois seminary. The Warrant Officer had attended Concordia High School after I left, joined the Army, completed Warrant Officer Candidate School and became a helicopter pilot - small world.

When we completed our reconnaissance, our warrant officer pilot showed us how to "water ski" (his words). First, he took the aircraft to about two thousand feet and then dove, gaining speed and pulling up at lower than tree top level in clearings next to tall double canopy jungle. This would allow us to see if there was any Viet Cong activity at the edge of the jungle while traveling fast enough to not receive any accurate enemy fire. Even if we were unable to see anything, if we received fire, we would know that indeed, the bad guys were there. We continued "water skiing" for a few more passes, each time gaining altitude and then diving.

As we climbed after one pass, I noticed a red light on the instrument panel and heard the pilot call "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY" on the radio. He then told me and the Chaplain that a fuel light had illuminated indicating that the engine was not receiving fuel. He did not know if this was the result of enemy action (we had not heard any shots) or a mechanical problem. He continued to climb until the engine quit and then, after picking the largest possible area to land, about a quarter mile from nearest jungle on all sides, began to autorotate the helicopter in for a landing. Autorotation uses the stored energy of "feathered" rotor blade rotations gained during descent to brake the aircraft's speed when the rotor blades are engaged close to the ground.

During this autorotation, I heard the pilot give our location and ask for assistance out of one ear, and the Chaplain, his foot firmly planted on the floor mounted push-to-talk switch, praying for grace from the Almighty out of the other. Fortunately, both the pilot and the Chaplain were eminently successful. The aircraft landed smoothly about 10 miles from the nearest friendly forces in the middle of a very large clearing. I think we only had to wait for reinforcements and mechanics only for an hour or so, but it seemed much longer. Although we were extremely vulnerable, we received no enemy fire. Ultimately, a rescue party arrived and the aircraft was repaired—a fuel line had separated, but not by enemy fire.

I never saw the warrant officer or the chaplain after that incident. If you were on that aircraft, or know who might have been, please let me know at larry.purcell@cadallas.com with "Concordia Vietnam" in the subject line.

Alumnus Sabrina (Sumiejski) Eder named Wisconsin Physical Therapist of the Year

Diana S. Raasch

Sabrina Eder was recently named “Wisconsin Physical Therapist of the Year.” She is the Owner / President of The Dynamics of Function located in Franklin, Wisconsin. Sabrina received her Bachelor of Arts degree in 1996 and her Master of Physical Therapy in 1999.



D: Tell me how you got connected to CUW?

S: I was 23 years old when I went back to school for my Physical Therapy (PT) Master’s degree. I interviewed with other Universities in the area but found the open forum held by Teresa Steffen to be the most informative and inviting for the non-traditional student.

D: What was your Concordia experience?

S: I enjoyed my time at CUW as an undergrad and graduate student. Without knowing it they helped mold me into the person I am today. They contributed in establishing my moral and ethical practices and allowed me to be a witness to my faith without fear or embarrassment.

D: What brought you to establishing your business, The Dynamics of Function?

S: Prior to my Master’s I had worked as a Medical Assistant. I was dissatisfied with the medical system and believed there was a better way to care for my patients. After graduating from CUW I worked for two different large health care systems, and again saw the familiar pattern of treating patients with large amounts of narcotics. I was compelled to search for something better and decided to study chronic pain reducing techniques. After refining those skills I wanted to practice without the restrictions a large health care system places on you and finally open my own facility. Over the course of the years I have realized that physicians, although highly educated, are not well versed in the skills PT’s have to treat the chronic pain population. It is our job to educate them.

D: Tell me about a typical day.

S: We bond with our patients immediately at the time of the evaluation. Therefore, I do not believe in passing patients to another therapist or assistant. We spend one on one time with our patients, often in private areas so patients can fully disclose any information they need to facilitate their healing. Over the course of the years in treating chronic pain I have learned it is NEVER just a joint, ligament, or muscle problem. It is always multifaceted involving the mind, body, and spirit of the individual.

D: The mission or motto of The Dynamics of Function is “The Unity of Body, Spirit, & Mind.” Tell me how you came up with this phrase? Were you influenced by Concordia’s mission of “helping students develop in mind, body, and spirit for service to Christ in the Church and the world?” I also notice you are wearing a cross, you have Christian music playing, and you have crosses hanging on the wall.

S: I don’t know that on the conscious level I connected my motto with CUW, but the Lord works in mysterious ways and works inside us without our knowledge. So I do believe the influence I received at CUW helped mold my ideas and values, therefore it cannot be said CUW did not contribute to the idea of needing unity of the body, mind, and spirit.

D: I understand you received Physical Therapist of the Year from the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association. Tell me more about this award and how you were selected.

S: This, to me, was the greatest honor a physical therapist could receive because you are FIRST nominated by your patient(s). That means you have touched them in a way that they took the time to write some special heartfelt words about you. WHAT AN HONOR. But, as I said in my acceptance speech, as much as those five people who nominated me stated I influenced their lives, the reality is they have touched mine and given me more than words can express. I still thank God for each of them every night in my prayers.

D: What words of wisdom would you send to students possibly getting into a Physical Therapy program?

S: Search your heart; if you have a heart to impact people then you will succeed as a Physical Therapist. I knew both in high school and when I was in college that I wanted to be a Physical Therapist. My schooling served me even though I didn’t always believe I was smart enough.

D: What words of wisdom would you send to students currently in a PT program?

S: PT is the greatest profession because you can truly impact people’s lives and what you get back from your patients is something few professions experience.

D: What words of wisdom would you send to those in the Physical Therapy profession?

S: Do not become complacent in your skill level. Always strive to improve and remember God is in control. If you feel you are not helping a person, pray about it and ask the Lord for direction and guidance. It works for me every time.

Dr. Louise Mollinger, Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy at Concordia University Wisconsin stated, “It was so gratifying to reconnect with Sabrina as she received her award. It was wonderful to see how she has continued the learning process since graduating from CUW and truly embodies the University and PT Program mission. We are proud to have one of our graduates receive this public acknowledgement of excellence from the patients she serves.” Likewise, Dr. Robert Barnhart, Professor and Director of the PT Program commented, “Sabrina Eder, MPT is the type of physical therapist our program hopes to continue to graduate. A physical therapist with technical excellence, strong ethics, and compassion for people, who integrates faith into their clinical practice.”

Sabrina’s final thoughts:

“Once you give all the glory to God, it takes the pressure off you. He truly is the one in control. He will never leave you or forsake you. CUW was instrumental in the foundation of my faith and planting the seed. Trust in Him and you WILL be a success.”

to study more at home. However, Amy still gets to church occasionally and her family and I try to see each other once a week.

Amy also likes to tell me about her pen pal from St. Martin's Lutheran Church in Chilton, WI who is witnessing to her through email. It's incredible to see children witnessing to other children. Please continue to pray for Amy's family. Pray that God would work in their hearts to take that step of faith.

Home!

This is now my third year in Taiwan. At the beginning of the school year, I realized I knew almost every student by name in the hallway! This year I have 117 students in Kindergarten, 1st, and 4th grade. It's wonderful to get to know them individually and feel a part of the school. I would say it feels like home, but I also know that neither Taiwan nor America is my home; heaven is my home.



One of my 4th grade classes

Recently during a staff Bible study, we were beginning to read from the book of John where Jesus' disciples leave everything to follow Jesus. In John 1:38-39 the disciples ask Jesus, "Where are you staying?" Jesus replies, "Come and you will see."

My Taiwanese co-worker Tien asked, "Why doesn't Jesus tell them where his home is?" It was great to see her show interest as I sometimes get the impression she doesn't feel Christianity is for her. It gave us the opportunity to explain, though Jesus had a hometown, he traveled a lot and often had "no place to lay his head" (Matthew 8:20). He knew that heaven was his home.

I praise the Lord for the ministry of Concordia English Language Academy and ask for you to pray for God to continue to the hearts of our students and co-workers as we share the Gospel. I pray God also provides opportunities for you in your daily life to proclaim the gospel through your words and life's example.

Andrew and Noel



Finally, I would like to share with you a special prayer request. One of our missionaries, Noel Schaff, was having health problems. She went to hospitals in Taiwan, but the doctors could not find what was causing these problems. Noel returned to America for medical treatment. The doctors recently diagnosed her with cancer, so she will stay in the U.S. for surgery and potential treatment. Her husband, Andrew Schaff, also went to the U.S. to accompany his wife during this time.

Please pray for both Noel and Andrew. Pray for God to be with Noel and to heal her according to His will. Please also pray for Andrew as he comforts his wife and faces the trial with her. We pray the Lord would continue to be their source of strength. In addition, pray for the teachers who are pitching in to help with classes. May God give our missionary team energy, focus, and may He be our strength as well.

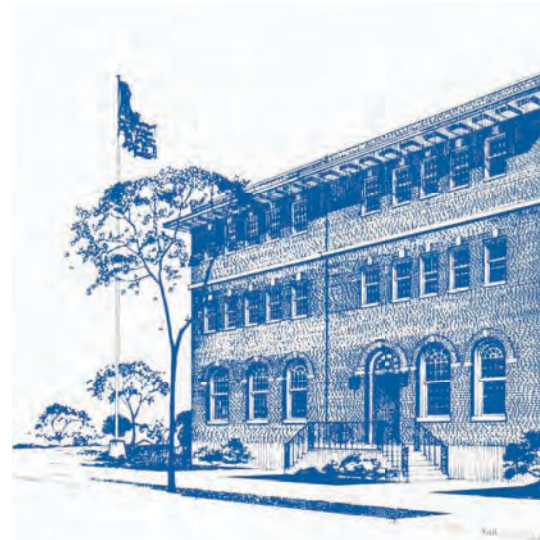
Finally, pray also for a former Taiwan missionary, James Rush. He will soon be returning to Taiwan for a semester to help fill in with the teaching responsibilities. Pray the Lord would bless and prepare James as he seeks to serve again here in Taiwan.



Petrea Schwahn is a CUW 2008 Alum who is currently serving the Lord as a missionary in Taiwan.



Spencerian College building in 1950



Spencerian College building in 1963

Giving Concordia the *Business*

Dr. Lawrence E. Sohn

There is a strong entrepreneurial spirit found in the histories of Concordia University Wisconsin and Spencerian College of Business.

And why should that be of interest to readers of *Concordian*? Because Concordia's current School of Business and Legal Studies had its foundation in Spencerian, and the 150th anniversary of Spencerian's founding will occur in 2013.

Robert Spencer enlisted in the Union Army in 1861, but left the army in 1863 and came to Milwaukee to start a business college. This was 18 years before Concordia was founded in 1881. Spencer had a background in starting business colleges, having opened branches of Bryant & Stratton College in Buffalo, Chicago, and St. Louis just before that war.

Spencerian College was first located on East Wisconsin Ave. in Milwaukee (1863-1923), then 2800 W. Wright St. (1923-1972), and finally at N. 35th St. & W. Kilbourn Ave. The land for that building had been purchased with assistance from Concordia. However, the cost of this new building so strained the institution that in November 1974 Spencerian's board announced that its business program would be merged into Concordia and the remaining programs would be closed.

Throughout its history, Spencerian was seen as a leader and innovator in educating business leaders of both genders. Under the leadership of Miss E. M. Bennett, Spencerian pioneered the Work-Study

program concept and also organized the first tri-semester program (three sixteen-week semesters per year). Programs were expanded from the, then conventional, one-year business program to a full 128-credit baccalaureate program. New majors were developed as American commerce changed.



Robert C. Spencer

Another distinctive: in 1958 Miss Bennett was the first female recipient of the "Man of the Year Award" from the National Association and Council of Business Schools. Miss Bennett had bought Spencerian College from the Spencer family in 1923.



Miss E. M. Bennett

Scott Appleby was president from 1965-1973. Concordia's president, Walter W. Stuenkel, was also president of Spencerian, 1973-75.

The transition to ownership by Concordia brought with it faculty members Donna Riemer-Becker, Tom Hartnell, Isabel Parker, and Kathy Simon, as well as the Division of Business Science and Court Reporting programs. Majors in Accounting, Sales & Marketing,



Building prior to the 1974 merge with CUW

Transportation & Traffic, Computer Science, and Business Management brought to Concordia the base for today's School of Business & Legal Studies.

Concordia's entrepreneurial spirit can be traced from the development of new programs over the past 60 years. The first such endeavor was the opening of the Lutheran Lay Training Institute in 1961. Now known as Lay Ministry, this program celebrated its 50th Anniversary in June 2011.

The best cohesive example of program expansion is the whole constellation of health sciences, starting with Medical Assisting and Radiologic Technology in the 70s and Nursing in 1981, and continuing with Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Exercise Physiology, Biomedical Science, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Health and Human Performance, Parish Nursing, BSN Completion, Rehabilitation Science, Health Care Management, and Athletic Training. The most recent addition, CUW's School of Pharmacy, will dedicate its new facility in September 2011, and the first graduating class is scheduled for Spring 2014.

A look at Concordia's current list of programs (<http://www.cuw.edu/Academics/programs.html>) will reveal yet many other programs that have been added to the original pre-seminary preparation of CUW's first 80 years.

Furthermore, six undergraduate and 11 graduate programs are taught via E-learning, along with selected courses in many programs. The business program, too, has grown from the amalgamation in 1975. Besides Associate and Diploma programs, the 1975-76 catalog lists majors in Accounting, Sales & Marketing, Transportation & Traffic, Computer Science, and

Business Management. Today's offerings have added Actuarial Science, Economics, Applied Economics, Finance, International Business, and Human Resource Management on the undergraduate level and the Master of Business Administration degree, taught not only on the Mequon campus, but also in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, and China.

The acquisition of Spencerian College of Business came near the beginning of Concordia's period of program expansion and was instrumental in bringing in a core of related programs and courses that have been important in Concordia's expansion in the past 35 years.

Concordia's Alumni Association has begun planning a 2013 reunion of students who graduated from Spencerian (before or after it was acquired by Concordia). For more information and details, please contact Nicole Tilot, Director of Alumni Relations, at alumni@cuw.edu or 262-243-4474.



Spencerian artifacts – feather ink-pen and roller with various tip choices, and Theory of Spencerian Penmanship for Schools and Private Learners, 1874, with a signature by P. G. Van Blarcom, Kewaskum, WI Nov. 3, 1980



Alumni Director Update

Nicole Tilot, Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

The Alumni Association has been very busy planning events to help our alumni stay involved with Concordia and with each other. As I write this article, we just celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the Lay Ministry Association and the Grand Alumni Reunion, hosted by the 50th anniversary graduating class from Concordia. Over 200 alumni and spouses attended these events to celebrate where they came from, where they have been and where they are going. The stories told, the memories shared and the laughs had still echo in our hearts and minds.

As we look forward to upcoming alumni events, make sure to mark your calendar for Homecoming, scheduled for October 13th-15th, 2011 at the Concordia Mequon campus. Join us for an alumni tailgate, try *Bowtie Blizzard*, Concordia's custom ice cream flavor, watch the Hall of Fame induction ceremony, participate in the first ever parade through Mequon, compete against the current students in a float contest and enjoy many more activities that weekend! Contact alumni@cuw.edu if you wish to help build the float for the parade and visit www.cuw.edu/alumni to learn about other great alumni events!



Can you identify the people in this picture and the year it was taken? The first person to correctly provide these answers to the Alumni Office by e-mailing alumni@cuw.edu will win a CUW hooded sweatshirt.



Congratulations to Rev. David Likeness of Dunlap, IL who won the Mystery Photo contest from the last issue of the *Concordian*. The year was 1960 - The College Falcon varsity basketball team poses for a formal picture before putting on the war paint for the weekend's Alumni basketball opener. First row, left to right: Bob Huffman, Dave Gerken, John Koester, Paul Beutow. Second row: Paul Hofer, Tim Roehrs, Ted Heineman, Carl Christiansen, Carl Droegemuller. Third row: Jim Knuth, Dennis Furhop, Gary Seegers, Al Bollhagen.

Inspiration *in Action*™

It's Not Too Late to Join Concordia at Disney!

Interested in taking a last minute vacation? There are still rooms available as Concordia travels to the *Walt Disney World*® Resort for our first ever Alumni and Friends destination event!

When: September 9-11th, 2011 (Extend your vacation before and after at the same great group rate)

Where: Disney's Yacht & Beach Club Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Florida

Why: Experience the *Walt Disney World*® Resort and enjoy some of today's top Christian artists performing for the Night of Joy music festival.

As members of Concordia's family, we are pleased to offer extremely discounted rates for Disney's Yacht & Beach Club Resort to *all friends* of the university. You will also be able to purchase theme park tickets at a slightly discounted rate. When making your reservation, use the following name and reference number:

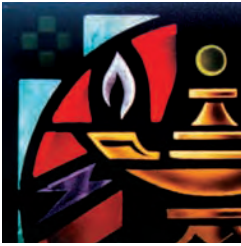
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A special time of fellowship and fun is being planned for our alumni and friends. More details regarding this event will be sent to those who register.

Visit our custom website at www.mydisneymeetings.com/cuwalumni2011 to learn more, make your reservation, and purchase park and concert tickets. Hotel rooms will remain available at the discounted rate until our block is full, so hurry and register today! Please direct questions about the resort, theme parks and Night of Joy tickets to a *Walt Disney World*® Resort representative, available at (407) 939-1289. You are responsible for your own flight arrangements.

We hope to see you at the *Walt Disney World*® Resort!



Alum Notes

2000's

Nichole Marie Fassbender (11) and her husband Richard are expecting their second child in August of 2011. She is employed as a Human Resources Manager, Safety Coordinator, for MCC, Inc. in Appleton, WI. The family resides in Seymour, WI.

Ryan R. Folgate (11) is now PR/Social Media Manager at Energy Xtreme in Austin, TX. He resides in San Marcos, TX.



Brenna Elizabeth Pankow (11) and **Jesse Lee Davis** (11) became engaged on May 26, 2011. Jesse will be attending Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, IN, this fall. No date has been set for the wedding.

John M. Ulrich (11) will be teaching biology full-time this August at Hoffman Estates High School in Hoffman Estates, IL. He will also assume the position of head sophomore boys' basketball coach.



Rachel T. (Kirk) (10) married **Christopher Davis** (08) on June 5, 2010 at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Mequon, WI. She graduated with a Lutheran teaching degree in December of 2010 and accepted a teaching job at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church and School.

Kay L. Bandle (08) and her husband Fred recently moved to Cedarburg to be closer to their daughter and her family. Kay is a Registered Dental Hygienist in West Bend.



ShaBeache Hale (08) was recently hired by RitzHolman CPA, a Milwaukee-based accounting firm. She will focus on nonprofit audit as well as provide tax and consulting services to individuals and businesses. Prior to joining RitzHolman, she was a Medicare auditor at National Government Services in Milwaukee.

Donna R. Harold (08; MBA 10) is Center Director for the Concordia University Wisconsin - Beloit Center. She and her husband Emmett reside in Beloit, WI.

Jenna Hicks (08) was recently named 2011 Outstanding New Lutheran Early Childhood Teacher by the Lutheran Education Association's Early Childhood Educators network leaders and staff. She is a prekindergarten teacher, as well as the physical education teacher for preschool and prekindergarten, and is involved in interfacing with parents through socials and the parent involvement committee at St. John Lutheran School in New Orleans, LA. She also serves in recruiting students from local LCMS congregations that do not operate schools.

Kory (08) and **Heidi (Gertsch) Janneke** (08) and big sister Kiernan announce the birth of a son, Rowan Christopher, born December 30, 2010 in Sioux Falls, SD. Rowan became a baptized child of God on January 16, 2011.



Jordan T. Nemeth (08) is currently working in Memphis, TN for a non-profit organization that works with young adults just exiting state custody. He is married to CUW alum **Carrie B. (Herron) Nemeth** (07) who works as an occupational therapist in Memphis, TN. They have a 7 month old baby boy named Tucker.

Steven R. Schauer (08) recently completed a season-long internship in the public relations department with the Super Bowl XLV Champion Green Bay Packers.



Adam Wirtz (08) graduated from the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse with a DPT (Doctor of Physical Therapy) in May 2011. He is currently working on becoming licensed by the State of WI as a physical therapist and will begin working in Stevens Point, WI in June.

Elizabeth Hutton (07) married Caleb Ketchum on March 26, 2011.



Tom Irizarry (07) was promoted to Assistant Vice President, Risk Manager at Associated Bank. He resides in Green Bay, WI.

Kathy Kaltenbach (07) completed her BSN. She is a registered nurse at the VA Medical Center and resides in New Berlin, WI with her husband Dan.

Kathyrine R. L'Heureux (07) is completing her post graduate training hours to obtain her Training License for Professional Counseling. She and her husband Mark reside in Brookfield, WI.



Tracy A. Bresnahan (05) announces her marriage to Ryan Moon on August 7, 2009 at St. Peter-Immanuel Lutheran Church in Milwaukee. She is into her fifth year of teaching at Christ Memorial Lutheran School in Milwaukee, and Ryan works at Scion in Mequon as a dental reimbursement technician. He is currently attending Concordia for a double major in accounting and business.



Renee Dombrowski (04) was recently named LCMS Southern District Teacher of the Year. She currently teaches 10th & 11th grade English, creative writing, speech, Advanced Placement English and world geography at Lutheran High School in Metairie, LA.

Sergeant Andrew B. Marriott (04) was married to Kelley Newton on October 9th, 2010. The couple resides in Grafton, Wisconsin, where Andrew works full time as a Security Officer at Johnson Controls in Glendale. He is also a Volunteer Fire Fighter for Grafton.



Michael J. Mozolik (04) was promoted to the position of Senior Facilities Planner with Raytheon Missile Systems in Tucson, AZ, where he resides with his wife Andrea.

Kristan E. (Skow) Huenink (03) recently completed her first marathon, the Chicago Marathon 2010, and is training for the Illinois Marathon and Chicago Marathon in 2011. She is currently employed as an accounting assistant at CPH & Associates in Chicago's south loop and is enrolled in the CPA Prep Certificate program at Northwestern University. She is married to **Rev. James E. Huenink** (03).



Sarah M. (Gayken) Recht (03) and her husband David announce the birth of a baby boy, Aaron David, on September 2, 2010. He weighed 8 lbs 3 oz and was 20.5" long. The family resides in Menomonee Falls, WI.

Mark (01) and **Sarah (Robards) Barnes** (03) welcomed their son, Austin Michael, into the world on January 28, 2010. He was 8 lbs 6 oz, 19 1/2 inches long. Mason (21 months) is a wonderful older brother. Mark is a Senior Project Controller at Deloitte Consulting, and Sarah is a stay-at-home mom. The family currently resides in Austin, TX.





Beth (Degler) Utecht (03) married Aaron Utecht of Fredonia, WI on June 26, 2010. Beth currently teaches at Redeemer Lutheran School Green Bay.



Elaine Gumz (02) and Wade Weckwerth married June 25, 2011. She is employed by Riverview Hospital and AmericInn. Her husband, a graduate of Green Lake High School, is employed by JMB Pallet and Spotting.

Christopher B. Cody (01) successfully completed his Ed.D. in Administrator Leadership from Walden University in December, 2010. His dissertation was entitled "Impact of Bullying Prevention Initiatives on Bullying Prevalence as Perceived by Elementary School Principals in a Lutheran School District." In addition to being Principal at Mt. Olive Lutheran School in Milwaukee, WI, he is currently serving as a member of the Board of Directors for the Lutheran High School Association of Greater Milwaukee.



Jessica J. Plummer (01) was married on November 6, 2010 in Omaha, Nebraska to Reed B. Wilke. The couple resides in Omaha where Jessica is a Radiologic Technologist for NebOrtho.

Matthew D. Ruesch (01) accepted a call in September, 2010 to serve as pastor of Grace & Trinity Lutheran Churches in Bear Creek, WI (about 45 miles west of Green Bay). His wife, Heather, is the director of the Pregnancy Information Center in Waupaca. She is also a singer/songwriter and performed at the National Lutherans for Life Conference in August, 2011. They have three children: Isabella (10), Paul (8), and Sofia (3).



Melissa A. Fritsche (00; MOT 02) married Greg W. Mercer in March 2011 in Delray Beach, FL. She is an Occupational Therapist at Pediatric Therapy Associates in Plantation, FL.

Rebecca Sarah Marlowe (00) has been living in Seattle for 8 years. She and her husband David Galindo have been married for a year and a half. She works for Valley Medical Center's emergency department as an Emergency Room Crisis Counselor doing psychiatric consults.

1990's



Eric Piepenbrink (99) and his wife Catherine welcomed their second child, Ella Faith, into the world on 1/11/11. Big sister Lily is excited to have someone new to play with. Eric has also been promoted to Director of Student Services for Ashford University and was relocated to Denver, CO in March 2011.

Sharolyn C. Sayers (97) obtained a Ph.D in Education on January 31, 2011 from Capella University. Her dissertation title was "Computer Simulation and Gaming in Technical College Curriculum: Online Student Perceptions." She is an instructor at Milwaukee Area Technical College in Oak Creek and resides in Milwaukee, WI.

Tim J. Marlin (97) is a Senior Loan Officer US Bank, Albuquerque, NM where he resides with his wife Pearla.

Sabrina Eder (96; 99 MPT) was recently named the 2010 Wisconsin Physical Therapist of the Year by the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association. (see her interview on pg 7 of this issue)

Max Bluemel (94) was recently honored with the Coach of the Year Award for Frontier High School Girl's Varsity Soccer. The high school team, located in Bakersfield CA, won the league championship and DII Valley title. He is proud to be both a Falcon and a Titan.

Tonya L. (Habeck) Gubin (92) is principal at Lincoln Elementary School in Beaver Dam, WI which was recently awarded the National Blue Ribbon Award from the Department of Education. She went



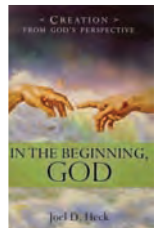
to Washington, D.C. this past November to accept the award from Arne Duncan, the Secretary of Education. She resides in Fox Lake, WI. She is pictured on the right.

1980's

Rev. Henry C. Wied (89), was called by Zion Lutheran Church, Tomball, Texas as associate pastor/missionary-at-large to the Waller, Texas area. He has organized a core group to start a mission church in Waller and they average 20 people worshipping on Sunday mornings where they have leased a small office/warehouse space in town and have set it up for services. The church is Cross of Christ Lutheran Church of Waller, Texas - look them up on FaceBook! He and his wife Debra reside in LaGrange, TX.

1960's

Joel D. Heck (68 Junior College) recently had his twelfth book released by CPH titled *In the Beginning, God: Creation from God's Perspective* which deals with the first chapter of Genesis.



Robert L. Terry (61) is now enjoying retirement by keeping busy with a garden and his animals (2 cats and 1 small dog). He says, "I survived Vietnam and 2 wives. I still maintain a reasonable sense of humor, exercise and walk around my central Austin, TX neighborhood." This photo is of him at his 71st birthday party.



Front Row: Dr. Harald Tomesh, Dr. Joel Elowsky, Richard Thompon (Pre-Seminary, BA), Richard Tucker (Lay Ministry, TEE), Alexander Lange (Pre-Seminary, BA), Bethany Nier (Lay Ministry, BA), Stacy Burmeister (Lay Ministry, BA), Hannah Shoup (Lay Ministry, BA), Jodi Gurganious (Lay Ministry, TEE), Patrick Zeushner (BA, Theology), Dr. Alberto L. García (Director of Lay Ministry).

Back Row Dr. Nathan Jastram (Chair, Theology), Jesse Davis (Pre-Seminary, BA), Paul Rockrohr (Pre-Seminary, BA), Jordan Tomesch (Pre-Seminary, BA), Nathan Ballard (Lay Ministry, BA), Marcus Lane (Pre-Seminary, BA) Ethan Luhman (Pre-Seminary, BA), Dr. Timothy Maschke, Prof. Ron Mudge (Director, Pre-Seminary), Dr. Jason Soekensen, Glenn Roseman (Lay Ministry, TEE), Prof. Brian Mosemann.

An Alumnus in Turkey



Concordia graduate Zachary Sommermeyer (00; MPT 02; DPTP 03) is currently living in Ankara, Turkey, the capital city, from which he travels to lecture and network with other healthcare workers. Before his time in Turkey, he did similar work in Duhok, Iraq.

Zack adjusting wheelchairs that were donated to Turkish children.

In Iraq, Zach worked with a relief and development agency giving lectures to local physical therapists and networking with other international agencies that were also working in physical therapy. This culminated in a report presented to the Iraqi government that served as a roadmap for the development of physical therapy education and practice in Iraq, work that continues to the present. A summary of this work will be presented at the World Confederation for Physical Therapy conference this summer.

Of his current work in Turkey, Zach spent his first year and a half learning the language, but also developing relationships with universities and organizations helping refugees and people with disabilities. He spends a significant amount of time working with refugee aid groups and providing medical care and everyday needs. He also served as a consultant to a local organization that serves people with disabilities and their families, providing training to their caregivers, measuring for wheelchairs, giving treatment and advice and consulting with the organization on how to improve their services and structure. He also has worked with an organization called the Silk Road Disability Network that is working to create a network of groups working in the area in rehabilitation, specifically with cerebral palsy. He also sits on the Ankara International Charities Committee, raising funds for various humanitarian projects throughout Turkey. His main work involves doing research in the areas of balance and falls of the elderly in developing countries. While doing this research, he is also enrolled in a doctoral program at Hacettepe University in Ankara.

In the future, Zach hopes to create more research partnerships between American and Turkish institutions for rehabilitation research and also to create internship opportunities for American students to learn about global service, work with other cultures, and discover how healthcare works in that region.

Zach also worked on the United States medical team for the World University Olympic Winter Games this past year in Erzurum, Turkey. This summer he will travel in Turkey and Greece with the Miami University of Ohio women's basketball team as a physical therapist, translator, and cultural liaison while they play exhibition matches.

Zach personally reports, "One of the most disappointing things I hear when I am back in the United States is the general fear and occasional hatred expressed by friends, colleagues, media, and the general public regarding the Middle East and its people. While I would never try to make light of the horrible events and atrocities that we have seen, those people are the exception, not the rule. I have been invited and welcomed into homes and have been made a part of the family by so many people here and in Iraq. Admittedly, I had to take more precautions in Iraq, but essentially, they were no different from the precautions I have taken while working in dangerous neighborhoods in the United States. I have many friends in Turkey and in Iraq who have gone to great lengths to help me, befriend me, welcome me, and make me a part of their lives."

Zach is married to Erika (Guiley), and they have two sons, Eli (4) and Noah (1). Erika worked in Christian radio in the United States before Eli was born, and now takes care of the home, which the Turks like to call "Ministry of the Interior." Eli attends a Turkish Montessori school, learning Turkish and making friends. Noah was born in Turkey.



They are all enjoying their time as foreign guests in Turkey.

Graduation Marks a Milestone for Mother and Daughter

Craig McCarthy



This past May, commencement took on a special meaning for one mother and daughter from Suamico, WI. Rebecca Holman and her daughter Anna both graduated from CUW and took part in the graduation ceremony on May 14 by jointly delivering the commencement address.

Anna, who graduated with a Bachelor's degree, was a traditional undergraduate student who lived on campus and majored in Public Relations and Communications. Rebecca was enrolled as a non-traditional student in the Adult Accelerated Evening program at CUW's Green Bay Center and graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Business Management.

"Having told my children college was not an option but a 'must do' for them – I felt hypocritical without a degree myself," said Rebecca. "It was something I regretted not sticking out when I was younger," she added.

Both Rebecca and Anna consider the graduation a very special moment in their lives and realize that without the support of their family they would not have been able to accomplish their goals.

"As I grew up, my mother and father both insisted that education was important," said Anna during her commencement speech. "Not only to give me a solid footing in the working world but from a personal standpoint of learning about myself and growing as an individual," she added.



Green gets “Greener”!

Professor Bruce H. Bessert, CCES Director

With the beginning of the fall term, the Concordia Center for Environmental Stewardship (CCES) completes its inaugural year of operation. As one would guess, these past 12 months have been a busy time! The creation of new school outreach programs, teacher workshops, and a variety of campus and community events has kept our professional and student staff very busy, to say the least. In addition to hosting a strong cluster of environmental courses for our own CUW students, we provided outreach programs for over 750 elementary school and home schooled students, offered 10 environmental education workshops for area teachers, co-sponsored two major environmental conferences, and served as host for numerous community and professional meetings and workshops. In all, CCES served over 1500 individuals with our message of responsible Christian environmental stewardship.

A highlight of this past year was our achievement of LEED (Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design) Platinum certification for the CCES building. This distinguishes the Concordia Center for Environmental Stewardship as one of the most sustainable and energy efficient facilities in the state of Wisconsin. With this designation, CCES becomes only the second higher education facility and the third nature center in Wisconsin to receive this honor. The real importance of LEED Platinum for Concordia is that it validates CCES as a teaching tool to others about sustainable construction, energy systems and practices. We have had numerous groups of engineers, interior designers, and architects visit Concordia to learn about and emulate what has been done here.

Beginning in September, we plan to open our new Milwaukee River and Lake Michigan display aquaria, expand our current educational outreach offerings, build a demonstration raised-bed organic garden, host a regional environmental and wildlife art exhibit, continue our efforts in fresh water research, and explore the possibilities of wind turbine technology here on Concordia’s campus. Our facilities are open to the public, so please make plans to visit CCES this year to enjoy the spectacular views of Lake Michigan and learn more about our role as Christian environmental stewards of God’s creation. See our website (www.cuw.edu/CCES) for information on our programs and hours.



Photos: Gwen Graves

School of Pharmacy Building Opens Its Doors

Curt Gielow, Executive Dean, School of Pharmacy

On September 16, 2011, Concordia will celebrate the culmination of three years of planning, hard work, determined fundraising and diligent recruitment by opening and dedicating the new School of Pharmacy on the Mequon campus. The CUW School of Pharmacy is only the second in Wisconsin and one of only 120 in the country. It is the only Lutheran-sponsored pharmacy program in the nation. Program planning began in 2008, and the initial class (Genesis class) was admitted in August, 2010. The program has received appropriate interim accreditation status as a new pharmacy program by the national accrediting body, as full accreditation can only occur after the Genesis class graduates in 2014. The second class (Beta class) of 85 students begins their studies in August, 2011.

More than 28 experienced faculty have been recruited to teach and conduct pharmaceutical research in the new school. A unique research focus for the CUW Pharmacy School, science faculty will be combating the universal problems caused by the disposal of pharmaceuticals and personal care products in America's fresh water lakes.

Fundraising for the new \$12 million building has reached \$9 million-to-date. Naming opportunities still exist for donors who wish to support the new school and can be discussed with Executive Dean Curt Gielow. A scholarship program called The Galen Society has also been established to develop financial aid resources for pharmacy students. Dean Gielow welcomes anyone who wishes to tour the new facility or learn more about the program to call his office at 262-243-2770.



CUW Welcomes 2010 Hall of Fame Inductees

The Hall of Fame Committee, made up of former Hall of Fame inductees, current coaches and administration, inducted the following five alumni into the Hall of Fame during Homecoming 2010. Nominations are considered on a basis of athletic performance, sportsmanship, character, support of Concordia's mission and contributions to the team and to Concordia. As is tradition, please join us on the Mequon campus for the induction of the 2011 athletes during Homecoming on the morning of October 15th, as the ceremony is open to all. Check the alumni website at www.cuw.edu/alumni and our Concordia University Wisconsin Alumni Facebook page for more details on location and the inductees as the event date approaches.



Darren Werner Class of '00—Grafton, WI

Darren played men's soccer from 1996-1999 under Coach Tom Saleska. His athletic awards include: All-Conference 3 years, All-Region 2 years, and All-State 2 years. He was voted Team MVP in 1998, as well as Team Captain and Mr. Soccer in 1999. In 1999, Darren was named CUW's Athlete of the Year. Darren is the current record holder for fewest goals allowed in a season, fewest goals allowed in a career, best goals against average in a season, best goals against average in a career, and most shutouts in a career. Darren's team accomplishments include: Conference Champions 3 times and Conference Tournament Champions 2 times. His career record was 64-18-1. After graduating CUW with a double major in Sports Medicine/Athletic Training, Darren went on to earn his Doctorate in Chiropractic. In 2005 he started his private practice in Grafton, Wisconsin and soon after became the team chiropractor for Concordia. He and his wife Ali are proud parents of their two daughters, Amelia and Piper.



Fred Sellmann Class of '73—Mequon, WI

Fred played football as offensive tackle from 1971-1972 under Head Coach Andy Luptak. Awards received included MVP offensive/defensive Line at Concordia High School, 1969; Concordia Team Captain, 1972; All-Conference Offensive Line at Milwaukee Lutheran High School, 1970; and All-American at Concordia Junior College, 1972. Following receipt of his associate's degree from Concordia, Fred attended U.W. Milwaukee in pursuit of a Mechanical Engineering degree. Fred savored his career as Owner and V.P. of R.S. Tool and Machine, Inc. in Germantown, Wisconsin and was a life-long member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Glendale, WI. An avid outdoorsman who enjoyed football, baseball, hunting and fishing, family came first. Battling to overcome cancer, Fred's motto, learned in football, was, "You never, ever give up" and he fought his illness until 12-20-1996. Fred is survived by his spouse Mary, brother James Sellmann, and sister Lynn Stathus.



Julie (Hinrichs) Andrews Class of '99, '04—Whitefish Bay, WI

Julie was a two-sport scholar athlete at Concordia University Wisconsin while obtaining her Bachelor's and Master's degrees. She participated in volleyball (1994-1997) and softball (1995-1997, and 1999). During her volleyball career, Julie was named Best Defensive Player all four years and Most Valuable Player in 1997. She received Honorable Mention All-Conference honors in 1995 and 1996 and All-Conference honors in 1997. In her senior year, Julie was ranked seventh in the nation among NCAA III for digs per game. She was also nationally nominated for NCAA Woman of the Year. During Julie's softball career, she was awarded All-Conference honors in 1996 and 1999. Her team also gave her the Golden Stick award in 1999. Julie was named Concordia's Female Athlete of the Year for the 1997-98 school year. Today, Julie lives in Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin with her husband and two children.



Jason Lee Scott Class of '98—Palm Bay, FL

Jason played football from 1993 through 1997, as well as track and field under the tutelage of Coach Jeff Gabrielsen. He was a First Team All-Conference player each of those seasons. Jason's Concordia University season records include 85 yards as his longest run, 254 rushing attempts, 1,593 rushing yards, 17 rushing touchdowns, and eight 100-yard games. His career records include 4,002 rushing yards, averaging 6 yards per carry with twenty two 100-yard games. After graduating from Concordia University, Jason went on to become certified as a personal trainer in 1998 through the American College of Sports Medicine, and is currently studying to become an Assistive Technology Professional with the Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America. He attends Calvary Chapel in Melbourne, Florida.



Michael Alwardt Class of '97—Lansing, IL

As a two-sport athlete, Mike played baseball ('93-'97) under Coach Val Keiper, football ('95-'97) under Coach Jeff Gabrielsen, and assisted baseball ('98-'99). Mike was named Conference Player of the Year ('96 and '97), Team MVP ('96 and '97), and All-Conference ('95, '96 and '97). CUW organization participation includes intramural volleyball, softball, and ultimate frisbee. His baseball records include five triples ('97), six career triples, 45 career stolen bases, 33 career doubles, 13 career homeruns, 95 career runs batted in, 93 career runs scored, 137 career hits, 400 career at-bats, 134 career games played, and 87 career total bases. Mike signed a minor league contract in 1998 to pitch for the Allentown Ambassadors. Upon graduation, Mike began his master's degree in Education Administration, and served four years in the Marine Corps, with two tours to Iraq. He is currently in his fifth year of teaching and coaching at Luther East High School, and ushers at St. John Lutheran Church in Lansing, Illinois. Mike is engaged to Jean Bogioiff.



Staff *Member of the Month*



John Wichman sits on the sweeper he uses to vacuum dust from the sills, ledges, and heaters at CUW daily. The machine next to him is the scrubber which he also uses around midnight each day to clean the halls on campus.

Loyalty as a Way of Life

As we consider staff longevity at Concordia, John Wichman comes to the head of the list. John joined the Concordia staff in December of 1988, just a few months before he was married. In the process of moving out of his parents' house, he needed a job with benefits in order to care for his new wife. Searching the newspaper want ads, he found a listing for a cleaning position at Concordia. Since he was, at the time, supervisor for a cleaning crew at a factory, he felt qualified, responded to the ad, and was immediately hired. From the first day he walked onto the job he felt it was meant to be.

The fit with Concordia has been a good one for John. His grandfather was a pastor and his grandmother the church organist. When they retired, John's father became pastor of the same church, and his mother the organist. With that consistency of church work in his family, Concordia did seem the perfect fit.

John works the late afternoon shift, and his job includes cleaning the common hallways (of which there are miles and miles). This includes the windows, the floors, and refinishing the floors as necessary.

He thoroughly enjoys working in the college environment. "The college students are very positive," John says, "which creates a great working environment. Also, I am a task oriented person who likes to see a job through to completion, and my job allows me to stand back and see the results of my labors." One of John's biggest joys is working with student workers; they have all impacted his life in positive ways. "I have found great joy in working with them," he says, "and remember them all."

When asked about his view of the future, John replied, "My greatest hopes are to live a simple, God-pleasing life, and to be a good example to those around me."

John concluded by saying, "I would just like to say that I am very grateful for the loyalty Concordia has shown me these 20+ years. In this day and age of tough job markets, Concordia has been my rock of stability."

The Wichmans have three children, and their daughter is currently a sophomore at Concordia. Loyalty works both ways, and Concordia is thankful that God has placed John Wichman into its community.



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Faculty and Staff *Highlights*



Sunday School children listening as Jenalee shares her lesson.

Service-Learning in Jamaica in January

“I’m coming back here again!” That was the overwhelming consensus of a dozen students in response to their service-learning mission trip to Jamaica this past Winterim. Experiencing life and children in a different culture opened these Concordia students to new opportunities for service and learning.

After a week of classroom instruction on the historic and religious background of Jamaica as well as planning for their service-learning activities, the group departed from Milwaukee on a very cold January morning. While spending several days in Kingston, they were hosted by Concordia alumnus, Rev. Dr. David Kuck (Concordia High School 1966) and his wife, Mary, at the United Theological College of the West Indies. In addition, Rev. Obot Ite, LCMS pastor from Nigeria who serves St. Andrew Lutheran Church in Kingston, hosted the group on Sunday morning and arranged an opportunity for our Concordia students to lead morning devotions on Monday at Calabar High School, a public school in Kingston. Pastor Ite invited Dr. Maschke to preach and Pre-Seminary student, Joe Strattman, to serve as a lector. After the service, Sunday school lessons were led by the Concordia students. Students also attended

several cultural programs and a seminar by the Rev. Dr. Glenroy Lalor, Dean of Studies at the United Theological College of the West Indies, and an expert in Jamaican spirituality.

This is the third trip to Jamaica led by Dr. Maschke. “There is much that can be learned only by doing and that’s what we did for several days in Jamaica,” commented Maschke. In addition to their time in Kingston, the group traveled to Port Charles and Montego Bay.

Along with Dr. Maschke and his wife, Sharon, were Benjamin Balsman, Kayla Deitte, Megan Frisque, Kaitlin Grott, Jennalee Koch, Erin Laufenberg, Michael Jarratt, Sarah Rockwell, Christina Spink, Joseph Strattman, and Kate Viesselmann.



Joseph Strattman reads the Epistle of the Day.



Dr. Maschke preaching at St Andrew’s Lutheran Church, Kingston, Jamaica.



Kayla, Jennalee, and Erin with Sunday School children.



Spirituality of Jamaica students on a lunch stop en route to Kingston. From left to right: Dr. Maschke, Sharon Maschke, Megan Frisque, Kaitlin Grott, Kayla Deite, Jennalee Koch, Erin Laufenberg, Benjamin Balsman, Kate Viesselmann, Joseph Stratman, Christina Spink, Sarah Rockwell, Michael Jarratt. Photo by Samuel Maschke.



On the campus of the United Theological College of the West Indies. Left to right: Dr. Maschke, Sharon Maschke, Megan Frisque, Sarah Rockwell, Christina Spink, Joseph Stratman, Kate Viesselmann, Kaitlin Grott, Jennalee Koch, Michael Jarratt, Erin Laufenberg, Kayla Deitte, and Benjamin Balsman.



Megan Frisque with some Sunday School children at St Andrew's Lutheran Church, Kingston, Jamaica.

Faculty Notes

Bernard Bull (Education and Instructional Design) was recently named to the prestigious Thrivent Fellows Program, a rigorous 12-month leadership fellowship for the purpose of growing the leadership capacity of the agencies and institutions of the Lutheran Church. Sponsored by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, the Council of College and University Presidents of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), the Board for University Education of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, the Unit for Vocation and Education of the ELCA, and the Lutheran Educational Conference of North America, the purpose of the Fellows Program is to identify, encourage, develop, and equip high capacity senior leaders for leadership roles in Lutheran agencies and institutions.

David Eggebrecht (Theater) has written a series of devotions for a new devotional booklet (much like PORTALS OF PRAYER). He serves on the Boards of The Acacia Theatre Company and The Cedarburg Players and was in the play EMMA produced by Acacia. He is also hard at work preparing for the fall production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's CINDRELLA: ENCHANTED. He is also one of the group that just completed the development of a new multi-media confirmation series for CUENet called IMAGES OF FAITH, under the leadership of Dr. Ray Halm.

Elizabeth Evans (Business) received the Robert J. Menges Award for Outstanding Research in Educational Development for the session "Engaging Faculty in Outcomes Assessment" at the Professional and Organizational Development Network in Higher Education conference in St. Louis, Missouri, November 3-8, 2010.

Mark Stenson (Instructional Design) recently attended the Certified Faculty Developer Institute in San Diego, CA and subsequently passed the exam which makes him a Certified Faculty Developer (CFD).

Bill Wood (Academic Operations) has been selected as CUW Mequon Center's Accelerated Education Faculty of the Year for 2010! Instructor Wood was selected for this recognition due to his excellence in teaching, dedication to students, and outstanding commitment to the university. The award was presented at the Spring Faculty Dinner on May 2nd.



Photo of "past, present and future" directors of the Lay Ministry Program at their recent 50th Anniversary Banquet Celebration at Concordia. L-R Dr. John Oberdeck who will become the fifth director on August 1, Dr. Albert Garcia, fourth director (1992-2011), Dr. John Walther, third director (1989-1991), Dr. Royal Natzke, second director (1970-1988), Rev. Ed Heyne, first director (1962-1969)



Melissa Frisque (left)
and Megan Sears (right)
treating a member

Students in the *Spotlight*



Repairers of the Breach

Kimberly E. Whitmore

Concordia University Wisconsin requires nursing students to complete a clinical rotation in a community setting as a part of the nursing curriculum. For the past year, we have been fortunate to be able to provide students with a very unique, life changing experience by serving in the free clinic at Repairers of the Breach. Repairer's of the Breach is the only daytime homeless shelter in Milwaukee, and it is governed by the homeless. A student who was very touched by this experience, describes it best.

"When I began my community clinical this semester I was not sure what to think about the experience. We were informed that we would be spending our first few weeks of clinical at Repairers of the Breach. Additionally, when we were told that when we arrived at Repairers of the Breach we would always be escorted to and from our cars by a security officer, I was terrified. I went into the situation with a very biased mindset. I had so many preconceived notions about the homeless population and I was not sure what to expect. However, after spending time at Repairers of the Breach, I almost feel ashamed that I ever thought the way I did.

"On the first day of clinical, we arrived at a building that, from the outside, looked like it was on the verge of being condemned. We went inside where things were not much better. Two thirds of the building was undergoing major construction, and the remainder of the building was in pretty rough shape. We took a group tour of what would someday be the new clinic and what had already been completed was beautiful. Unfortunately, since the building had not yet been approved by the city inspector, we would be working down in the old clinic, which happened to be located in the basement.

"The basement was dirty because of the construction upstairs. There was mud everywhere from flooding that had taken place after one of the major storms that had passed through the area a few days earlier. To separate our exam areas we had makeshift walls that were on the verge of falling over. A few actually did fall while we were seeing patients! The whole situation was kind of a disaster. Despite the conditions we were surrounded by, I faked a brave smile and got set up so I could start seeing patients.

"I was able to see about four patients that first day, which sounds (even to me) like a small number. However, the things I learned and the experience I gained through serving those four patients is an experience that could not be matched elsewhere. Every single thing that I thought I knew about the poor and the homeless population was replaced by the truth and the reality of what it really is to be homeless and/or poor.

"During my time spent at Repairers of the Breach I learned more about kindness, compassion, and being sympathetic to the human condition than at any other time in my life. The goal of Repairers of the Breach is to rehabilitate the homeless constituents known as 'members' to eventually get them back into a mainstream lifestyle. The members of Repairers of the Breach are some of the kindest, hardest working people I have ever met. Unfortunately, resulting from different circumstances in their lives, they have ended up in extreme poverty and often found themselves living on the streets or in shelters. In spite of their situation, they are not discouraged. Many of the members are actively looking for work and participating in programs at Repairers to further themselves scholastically or to simply better themselves as a human being. Despite their homelessness, the members are resilient and seem to always have a smile on their face and something nice to say. Many of us in the same situation would not know what to do with ourselves and would simply give up.

"What amazed me the most during my time at Repairers of the Breach was the amount of good I was able to do for the members despite having very limited resources to work with. Most of the time with just my hands, eyes, ears, and very basic medical supplies (blood pressure cuff, stethoscope,

and glucometer), I was able to learn and do more for a patient than I had ever done in any hospital or other clinical setting. Furthermore, I felt like my patients at Repairer's took more away from their appointment with me than many of my other patients because they did not know when they might have access to healthcare again. The amount of gratitude I received from my patients at Repairers just for explaining basic concepts such as blood sugars and blood pressures was unmatched by any nursing situation I have been in.

"Looking back on the situation I would not have changed anything about my time spent at Repairers of the Breach. The working conditions were rough, but it made me realize that nursing is not about machines, fancy treatments, and seeing 20 patients in a day. Repairers took me back and allowed me to utilize the fundamental nursing skills I was taught during my education at Concordia University Wisconsin. Additionally, it allowed me to learn that sometimes it is very important to open our eyes, ears, and heart and close our mouths so that we can really listen to what our patients are trying to tell us. At the end of the day, I was left with a feeling that I need to and want to do more and have so much to offer to any under-served population. Prior to my experience at Repairers of the Breach, I did not feel an obligation to serve in this area or know there was such a massive need for healthcare resources for this population. I feel truly blessed to have had this experience and to have been given the opportunity to serve such an extraordinary group of people. The impact I was able to make on some of my patients in the span of one office visit in a basement cubicle was life changing for some of them. I feel like what I gained from serving them will follow me for the rest of my life. I now know community health is a passion and area of interest I will pursue after graduation. The course of my life has been forever changed by my time spent at Repairers of the Breach and for that I will be forever grateful."

-Melissa Frisque, Senior Nursing Student

I implore the Concordia Community to reach out and help. We are able to help and donate so much with our missions programs overseas, and now I challenge you to do more for people who live only miles away. Even if you cannot afford to donate money, everyone could afford a few hours a month to serve in some way at the center. They need people to help with a variety of tasks, even if it is just going through files or sorting clothing donations that come in. Everyone's help is needed and greatly appreciated. I strongly believe that the experience will give you much more than you could ever give them.



An Easter Miracle!

By Chelsea Sardina, current CUW student

I have read plenty of stories about people saving lives or unexplainable medical miracles happening. I never thought that I would have one of those stories to tell myself!

Easter Sunday morning I was in our packed church with my family. About midway through mass, my aunt ran up to my mom and whispered something in her ear. Most people in our parish know that my mom is a Captain on the Milwaukee Fire Department, so whenever someone gets sick or faints in church, they knew who to call.

I glanced back to see what was going on, and saw my mom starting CPR on someone a few pews back. My mom and I just finished four CPR classes held at Concordia, so with the techniques fresh in my mind, I knew what she was doing.

As I saw her working, I thought, "I can help!" So I hurried to her side, and we began performing two person CPR cycles on the elderly woman who had lost consciousness and her pulse right there in the pew. My mom had a pocket mouth barrier in her purse, so we were able to do mouth to mouth respirations. After a couple cycles we carried her to the back of the church and continued CPR. After a few more cycles she regained consciousness and her pulse resumed! The paramedics arrived about that time and took her to the hospital. What an Easter miracle!

I had never done CPR before on a real person, but now I suddenly felt like a real nurse. I was shaking afterwards so badly I thought I was going to need CPR next! It felt so great being able to help save a person's life.

This experience has given me a new confidence. I know that I have received a wonderful education at Concordia and that I can trust the theory, skills, and techniques that I have been taught and put them to use as a professional nurse. I no longer doubt myself or my abilities. Nursing is my passion and I truly believe that God had it in His plans all along for me to be a nurse. I can't wait to put my skills to work in the nursing profession.



Seven CUW students were selected to participate in the Collegiate All-State Choir which performed at St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay on Friday, January 21, 2011. Richard Bjella, Professor of Music at Texas Tech University, was the guest conductor for this ensemble. CUW students who participated were Benjamin DeMaris, Corey Madson, Joshua Moeller, and Daniel Clemens, Lydia Gallup, Cristianna Caleca, and Kaylie Keefe.



The CUW Symphonic Wind Ensemble, under the direction of Conductor Louis Menchaca, recently returned from an international performance tour of Italy. The ensemble was invited to perform the preview meeting for **The European Professional Music Meeting** in Padua, Lombardy Region. Subsequently they appeared as a featured ensemble in the **Florence International Music Festival** at the historic San Stefano Basilica a Ponte Vecchio. The final concert was at the Teatro San Raffaele in Rome. One of the most meaningful parts of the trip was to aid the poor at a Roman shelter. This service project included organizing donated clothing and medicines for the shelter to aid in its distribution to needy individuals.



This Spring Semester Dr. Albert Garcia decided to try something new in relationship to his Faith and Culture class. He added a service project to the requirements. Each student had to engage in a service project to one of seven multicultural mission ministries of the South Wisconsin District. The seven outreach ministries that the students engaged were African American, Hispanic/Latino, International Campus Ministry, Burma, Hmong, Chinese and the Congo. The students showed in their reports a deeper understanding of other cultures, a deeper appreciation in sharing their faith with people who are different from them, a very practical understanding about how faith relates to culture, and three students decided, as a result, to be involved full time in the mission of the church once they graduated from Concordia. The class contributed over 120 volunteer hours to these ministries. Thank God for these students who have the deep resolve to develop in mind and spirit for service to Christ and the world.



A reach-out event at Reconcile

Building Disciples

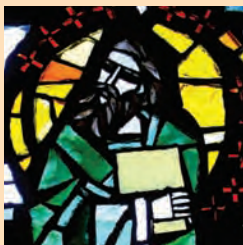
As part of his pre-seminary program at Concordia, student Marcus Lane has been involved in off-campus ministry. Last summer he began working with Reconcile Church, a community of people on Milwaukee's East Side centered around the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ.

Marcus says, "Reconcile is a mission plant of Brookfield Lutheran Church. My involvement with Reconcile began this past summer after meeting with Pastor Marc Engelhardt. Reconcile sponsors a website which allows people to post anonymously about their experiences with Christianity, including ways they might have hurt those outside the church. It also allows people outside the church to post about the ways they might have been hurt.

"This gets at one of the main goals of Reconcile, to do just what their name suggests: reconcile. One thing this community is very passionate about is portraying who Jesus is and what he offers to the world. Reconcile Church exists in an area where many people have a very poor impression of Jesus and the church. One of the goals of the church is to change that impression by the way members live their lives, interact with neighbors, and choose the words shared with them.

"For those who are a part of the church, Reconcile is very much focused on building disciples. Members meet regularly to study God's Word as a community, and also to share struggles with sharing the Gospel.

"This is the message which we have heard from him, and declare to you: that God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all." 1 John 1:5



Letters to the Editor

Thursday, June 16, 2011

Hi Doc. Eggebrecht,

My summer has been going really well. I am still in Berlin taking a Cabaret & Acting course at Freie Universität Berlin. The class is a lot of work, but I'm learning so much. In addition to our class time we are going to 1-2 shows each week. Berlin has so many theaters! Last week I watched Hamlet at Schaubühne Berlin; I have never seen anything like this in my entire life — it was just stunningly well done (with a thick dirt floor and the acting was just amazing!) Afterwards we had the opportunity to talk with the lead actor Lars Edinger (Hamlet). Today we're going to another Cabaret show and next week we'll see Shakespeare's Sonnets together.

About two weeks ago, Andrew and I met with Professor (Doreen) Krueger in a nice Café downtown Berlin. We talked and Dr. K. was checking up on us to see how things were going. It was great to see her!

Andrew (German Education major and History Minor) and Sylvia (a Psychology & German major and Photography Minor) and I (German & Theater major, plus a minor in Art) are all living together with my relatives here in Berlin Wannsee. Andrew and Sylvia are also taking classes at Freie Universität Berlin. They are both taking German classes, plus Andrew is taking another one in Political Science/History, and Sylvia another one in Exploring Berlin/History of the City. In our free time we are doing some of the stuff together that Freie Uni Berlin organizes, like looking at the remains of the Berlin Wall, a cruise on the Spree River past many famous buildings, going to the Karneval of Kulturen or we're just going shopping and sightseeing on our own. I'll attach a few photos so you get a glimpse of what we're doing together.

I am really enjoying our time here together, the classes at the Freie Uni Berlin and practicing German that we learned in Dr. Krueger's German classes. It's a lot of fun and sometimes quite adventurous.

I'll stay in touch and will update you again as the summer continues.

Hope you're having a great summer, too.

Anna Jaehnert



Kayci Gruening, first year PharmD candidate, recently had an article published in the magazine *Student Pharmacist*, entitled **Pharmacists As Servant Leaders, Lifelong Learners**, which gives a personal perspective of the beginnings of the School of Pharmacy, highlighting CUW's unique program inspired by servant leadership and the need for future pharmacists.

When Duty Calls

Tirzah Cook, Student Editor



Jason in a hummer searching for kidnapped 2nd Battalion of the 10th Mountain Division soldiers in Iraq.

Nawzad, Afghanistan, 2004. A curious little boy stooped over in the sandy streets and looked down at a land mine and touched it with his innocent hand. These bombs intend to kill. It detonated.

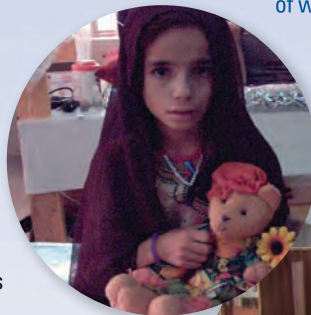
His innocent hand, his innocent, imaginative thoughts—would it ever have occurred to him danger lurked in disguise behind rock and stone? By the Grace of God this boy survived, but he lost three fingers. “Was I trained to sew up his hand?” said Jason Jurack an E6 army medic, “Probably not. Did I do the best job I could? Heck yeah.”

War trains soldiers to act above and beyond their character and willpower. They bear the burden of painful memories. There aren't many students at CUW who've been to Iraq and Afghanistan and returned with medical expertise to stitch severed limbs or treat burns. Jurack was deployed to Afghanistan as a Staff Sergeant E6 and again to Iraq as Sergeant First Class, E7. At one time he planned to make a career out of serving in the military. Today, he is finishing his nursing degree at CUW after serving in the U.S. army for nearly 13 years.

Jurack grew up in Europe - his dad worked for the Caterpillar tractor company. For eight years he lived in Switzerland, three years in England and throughout that time learned to speak fluent French and English. After high school he worked as an EMT, trained to give medical attention to victims in life threatening conditions.

Overseas, Jurack's company had a clinic set up to treat local nationals. While en route through Afghanistan, they stopped to set up medical camps and offered free medical attention to all injured or ill persons. At one point his team traveled from Lashkar Gah to Kajaki and stopped halfway to offer an open-clinic, called a med-cap, from morning until dusk for three days. They brought supplies and drove around announcing over loud speakers to come and receive free treatment. The civilians suffered ills from viruses to burns and cuts.

Parents brought their children into the hospital with burns scaling up and down their arms, back, and legs. Many parents intentionally burn their children. Jurack says some people believe they should pour hot tea or oil down the child's back, or in some cases dunk them in it, to make the child stronger. “Nothing you can see prepares you for that,” Jurack said. It's difficult for the soldiers not to protest against that type of cultural behavior. They stand their ground and focus on their mission. “We're not there to inflict our societal beliefs, we're there to get rid of the Taliban.”



Wheelchair distribution event in Iraq. Approximately 20 children received wheelchairs.

Hospitals in the villages are staffed with nurses and doctors, but the ratio of patients to medical providers is high. Jurack said most of the physicians are well trained, receiving their license after attending medical school in the United States or Great Britain, but patients can't be transferred to American bases unless they are at risk to lose life, limb or eye sight. The languages in Jurack's area were Dari, Farsi, Pashtu, and Arabic. The medics relied on translators at the hospital to ask questions to help with diagnosis and to give instructions to the patient for further self-treatment. “I've had my eyes opened to a lot of different things. There are things I'm more accepting of, and things I won't accept at all. It encompasses everything. I don't like being around crowds of people anymore,” he said.

Like many of the soldiers who return to the States, Jurack suffers from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). While he was in Iraq and Afghanistan, he lived by the words a good friend recited to him. “Every day is a gift. That's just a better way to look at things than ‘Oh, we're going to a bad area today, I could die.’” Jurack said.

The child in Nawzad, recovering after the exploding land mine, saw Jurack as he drove with his unit back through town. The child waved and yelled, “Doctor, Doctor, all better!”

Jurack will graduate from CUW in spring 2012. His presence overseas and back in the states is one of many God uses to provide and protect his people. Not only will Jurack have a degree, he also has thirteen years of background with the soldiers who continue to keep America the land of the free and the home of the brave. He's a loving father, and has saved hundreds of lives. This is the kind of nurse you want at your hospital.

Jason applying a spray to the wrist of a child. She received some toys, a bottle of water and canned milk.





Pastor's Corner

Rev. Steve Smith, Campus Pastor

"Carpe Diem"

*"Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil."
(Ephesians 5:15-16)*

It's a classic movie scene that I still enjoy seeing—the beginning of *Dead Poets' Society*. Robin Williams is the teacher hired to come back to his alma mater, an exclusive prep school, to teach literature. He goes about it in an unconventional way, challenging the traditional-minded students to learn and reach their full potential by making the most of every opportunity they can.

Williams' character takes the students out to see the old trophies and sepia-toned photos of classes from many years before, those who have since died or grown old, and he challenges them to see themselves in the eager faces of the boys from long ago. He whispers into their ears as if he is the boys calling to them from long ago, "Carpe diem." The Latin phrase "seize the day" is their call to live.

So might the call come to us from Paul's words to the Ephesians so many years earlier. The idea of making the most of the time we have is not new. In a spiritual sense, our call to invest time in things that matter eternally is a basic part of the faith. Many have 70 or 80 years (cf. Psalm 90:10) to live—some a few more and sadly, for some, quite a few less years. During that time, what we do can help pull us and others closer to God or move us away from Him.

The wise person realizes time spent growing in faith and leading others to faith will never be regretted. Most realize the value of time spent with family and in developing friendships. But the tyranny of daily activities demands time and energy—sometimes seemingly more than we can muster.

So, a lot of time gets devoted to time management seminars and books, studying and discussing productivity and efficiency, considering how we spend time. In fact, it's one of the critical skills necessary for success in college. Each year I see a whole new crop of students trying to figure out how to juggle classes and a job, studying and Facebook, extracurricular activities and sleep, laundry and e-mail. The balance between always studying and always playing (or always praying!) plays out for each student in varying degrees of success.

I recall reading in a time management book once that most people will at some time or another say to someone, "I don't have time to do this or that." The author says, "That's almost always not true!" The reality is that every person has the same 525,600 minutes each year (thanks to the calculations of the Broadway Show *Rent's* song "Seasons of Love"). No one has more time in a day than anyone else. The truth is that you choose to do one thing over something else; but it is not very culturally acceptable to say, "I value this more than spending time with you or doing this that you have asked me to do."

But to choose to do one thing means that you have chosen not to do any number of other things. So our decisions about how to spend/invest time are a daily question of priorities.

In a relatively short period of time Jesus changed the course of all history. In a life of 33 years and a ministry of about 3 years (or about 1.5 million minutes), Jesus saved the world. He didn't waste a minute in doing what needed to be done and doing it in a perfect way. He stepped from eternity into time and made the most of every day—*carpe diem* personified. And when it came down to it, He seized all of the evil days and Evil itself and conquered it on one glorious Friday by dying. Three days later, He rose from death to show that He had conquered that which would end our days—death—to give way to eternal life.

Yet it is interesting how Jesus spent His time—in conversation with people, eating and listening, walking and praying, even sleeping. All perfectly spent. So we would call out with the Psalmist, "Teach us to number our days aright that we may gain a heart of wisdom" (Psalm 90:12). May we consider how to seize each day in Jesus' name.



Focus on Advancement

Duane H. Hilgendorf, Senior Vice President of Advancement

RENEWED BY THE WATERS

Renewed by the Waters Campaign

As new and returning students arrive on campus for the 2011-12 academic year they will once again witness the renewal of their University. On the surface the renewal will be obvious. Anchoring the southwest corner of the campus the new School of Pharmacy will be fully completed. This 60,000 square foot facility is a remarkable educational facility designed to meet the needs of Pharmacy instruction for the 21st century.



Rendition of proposed baseball stadium



School of Pharmacy



Baseball stadium progress to date

Across the campus on the northeast corner they will see construction in progress on the new Falcon baseball field and stadium. The field will feature all-weather turf, lights and stadium seating, all within a stone's throw of a breathtaking view of Lake Michigan. This long awaited and much needed facility will be completed in time for the Falcon baseball season, allowing the team to return to campus for home games.

With the completion of these two facilities the "Renewed by the Waters" campaign will have achieved a remarkable period of facility expansion and renovation. Over 150,000 square feet of interior instructional, worship, administration and office space will have been added to better serve our students and community. Around the

campus all of our athletic fields will feature all-weather turf, upgraded seating, some lighted venues and the infrastructure needed for future expansion.

This renewal is only the visual element of the campaign. With current and deferred gifts the Endowment Fund will grow by over \$20 million, providing needed scholarship and program dollars for future students. Alumni, parent and friend support have expanded significantly, allowing the Annual Fund to provide dollars for scholarships and immediate quality program initiatives. Enrollment has escalated dramatically, bringing the number of students served to nearly 8,000 and propelling Concordia University Wisconsin into position as the second largest private university in Wisconsin and a leader in faith-based higher education.

Through the generous gifts of alumni, board members, parents, friends, foundations, corporations, faculty, staff and administration, we are nearing the \$42 million goal of the campaign. Your gift now can help us reach and surpass that goal. Please join the thousands of other supporters who have contributed to the accomplishments of the "Renewed by the Waters" campaign by visiting <http://www.cuw.edu/RBTW> or by calling 262-243-4337 for more information.

Endowments are a great blessing to students, especially in difficult economic times

Diana S. Raasch, Donor Relations Manager

Endowments at Concordia University Wisconsin, like all schools, are a wonderful blessing to our students. The past few years of economic hardship have hit the homes of many Concordia families. Recently, students who did not qualify for assistance can now apply because a parent was “downsized” or is facing frozen or decreased income.

Endowments have been a part of Concordia for a long time. Currently there are 370+ endowments established at the University. Alumni, parents, The Friends of Concordia, outside organizations like the LWML and individual family foundations are all to be thanked for establishing endowments. To see a partial list of the endowments available at Concordia, go to www.cuw.edu, and type the word *endowment* in the search field.

An example of an endowment that is in the process of being established is the **Betty J. Sodemann Early Childhood Endowment Fund**. During a 2010 family Christmas celebration, the family of alumna Betty Sodemann surprised her with a special gift. Endowment papers were given



to Betty informing her of her family's intention to provide gifts to establish her endowment. This was a special day for Betty and what a wonderful way to honor God, thanking Him for the gifts and abilities He entrusted to Betty.

On April 16, 2011 a “roast” of Dr. David Eggebrecht took place highlighting all of “Doc’s” many gifts and his numerous accomplishments. David has been a part of our Concordia faculty and administration for more than 45 years. Dr. Eggebrecht was “roasted” by an alumni committee comprised of Rev. Thomas Eggebrecht, Rev. Dr. Joel Heck, Rev. Dr. Timothy Maschke, Rev. Randolph Raasch, and Ian De Jong. Proceeds from the roast assisted in the establishment of the **Dr. and Mrs. David W. Eggebrecht Endowment Fund** for students involved in the Theatre program. If you would like to make a gift, please contact the Advancement Office at 262-243-4423 or melissa.novotny@cuw.edu. Check out the upcoming drama performances, <http://www.cuw.edu/Experience/arts/drama.html>.

In the last few years two other endowments were also established as part of a Roast. **The Coach Weis Endowment** was started by former coach Dick Weis and his wife Sandy. This endowment fund was established to provide future scholarships for Concordia students with disabilities. **The Kenneth and Rosemary Kosche Choral Music Scholarship Fund** was established to provide scholarships for music students. Visit the Concordia web site to see photos from these events, <http://www.cuw.edu/Alumni/gallery.html>.

Endowments are established in various ways. Some endowments are set up simply by naming CUW as beneficiary on an insurance or IRA form. Other endowments have been built in the honor and remembrance of past faculty such as Dr. Rupprecht and Dr. Gienapp. Reunion gifts throughout the last few years have been designated to the **Dr. Oliver Rupprecht Endowment Fund**. This year the Grand Reunion 2011 Committee chose the **Dr. J. Henry Gienapp Memorial Endowment Fund** for their reunion gifts. Other endowment funds have been established to support Church work students, such as **The Rouse Theology Endowed Chair**, which supports the efforts of Concordia's theology faculty in the recruitment of future pastors. Harry and June Rouse have long supported their congregation and Concordia. Harry Rouse commented, “June and I felt a strong desire to support future pastors. I believe giving to this endowment is an effective way of helping society (our Church) with a multitude of problems.”

Please call my office, 262.243.4540 or toll free 888-700-8336, Option #7, if you would like more information on endowments. Donations to a specific endowment can be made directly on the Concordia web site at www.cuw.edu or by contacting the Advancement Office, 262.243.4423 or 888.700.8336.



CUW Officials commit to a 15-year partnership with the Ozaukee Youth Hockey Association for their hockey teams' use at the Ozaukee Ice Center located in Cedarburg, WI. L-R: Rob Barnhill, CUW athletic director, Jim Ingman, CUW women's hockey coach, Tom Mezera and Gary Wickert, ice center board members, Allen Prochnow, CUW Exec. VP and CFO, Freddy the Falcon, Ed Samera, ice center board member, Tony Hrkac, CUW men's hockey coach, and Gene Jacobus, VP of the Ice Center Board. Signing the agreement (seated) are CUW President Patrick Ferry and Jack Furey, President of the Ozaukee Ice Center Board.

Athletic Update

Winter

CUW **men's basketball** complete a perfect 16-0 conference regular season for their second consecutive NAC North Championship. The Falcons received an at large berth to the NCAA Tournament. Edward Newton-Kemp joined the elite CUW 1000 point club and Concordia won their 1000 basketball game in school history during the outstanding 2010-11 stretch.

The Concordia **women's basketball** team, which had won four consecutive titles, finished second in 2010-11 with a 15-3 conference mark and ended the season at 19-9 overall.

CUW **women's hockey** enjoyed a banner campaign, finishing 13-11-4 in only their 4th year of competition, advancing to the NCHA semi-finals.

Women's indoor track and field finished second in conference play but the **women's outdoor T & F** squad brought home a conference crown. The men's team finished third indoors and fourth outdoors.

Spring

Falcon softball put together the best season in school history with 32 wins and only 10 defeats, finishing 21-3 in conference competition.

Men's and women's lacrosse were introduced to the Concordia campus for the first time with the **men's lacrosse** team compiling an impressive 8-6 inaugural record.

CUW **men's tennis** completed a perfect regular spring conference season and made a first round NCAA National appearance.

Concordia broke ground for a new baseball stadium and our **CUW baseball team** celebrated by finishing 14-8 during the regular conference season to earn a spot in the NAC Baseball Final Four.

The Concordia women won their fourth consecutive Northern Athletics Conference All-Sports Award for the best overall success percentage among the 13 member schools.



Photo by Bruce Prom



Cindy (Lubner) Witte,
1000 pt. career scorer



Jim Juergensen,
1000 point career scorer



Eric (Ice) Coleman,
1000 point career scorer



Stacy Brunner Jones, CUW's all
time most winning women's coach



Current men's basketball head
coach, Shawn Cassidy



Former coach & longtime Registrar,
Marty Duchow



Hall of Fame Coach
Jack Surridge



Livija Medne,
CUW all-time scoring leader



"Concordia 1000", held on Saturday, February 12th, celebrated the 1000th win in Falcon men's basketball history. Twenty separate 1000 point career scorers and a dozen former head men's and women's coaches returned to join in the festivities. Basketball alums from as far back as 1944 enjoyed a day of socializing and reminiscing and an

evening event at the Highland House. The CUW men's and women's teams made the day complete with one-sided victories. Our men's team finished 2010-11 with a 23-5 overall record plus a conference championship and a berth in the NCAA National Tournament. The Falcon women were 19-9 overall and 15-3 in league play.



Dr. Lois Mueller, who oversaw the
beginnings of the women's teams
at CUW as head coach of
volleyball and basketball



Former Men's basketball coach
and current Exec. Dir. at Living
Word Lutheran High School in
Jackson, WI, Cary Stelmachowicz



Former superstar Ryan Wietor,
current West Bend West High
School head basketball coach



Sue Duchow Hafeman,
1000 point career scorer

Coaches posing with Dr. Ferry

Upcoming Events:

- Opening Service for the 131st Academic Year, Saturday, August 27, 5 pm, Chapel of Christ Triumphant
- First Day of Classes, Monday, August 29
- Graduate Visitation Day, Tuesday, September 13
- Family Weekend, September 30-October 2
- *Cinderella*, Annual Fall Musical, Thursday, October 6-Sunday, October 9, Todd Wehr Auditorium, 7:30 pm and 1:30 pm on Sunday
- Undergraduate Visitation Days, October 9, 10, 28 and 29
- Hymn Fest, October 9, 3:30 pm, Chapel of Christ Triumphant
- *Homecoming Weekend*, October 14-16
- Pops Concert with The Symphonic Wind, Strings and Jazz Ensembles, Friday, October 28, 7:30 pm, Chapel
- *Christ the King Celebration Concert*, Sunday, November 20, 3:30 pm, Chapel of Christ Triumphant
- Christmas at Concordia, Friday, December 9 and Saturday, December 10, 7:30 pm, Chapel

