December 2011 Class Notes

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The following Class Notes were received recently in the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Alumni Relations Office:

’56 Ginny (Moore) Kruse (EHS), of Madison, will be inducted into the Wisconsin Library Hall of Fame in November 2011, during the Wisconsin Library Association Conference in Milwaukee. Kruse is director emeriti of the Cooperative Children’s Book Center in the School of Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

’70 Richard Barker (EHS) taught in Kimberly from 1970 to 1975 and middle school life science at Southern Door Middle School from 1976 to 2005. He coached middle school basketball for 25 years at Southern Door and has been retired since 2005. Barker and his wife, Julie, live in Sturgeon Bay.

’79 Patricia Stuhr (MST) is the dean and campus chief executive officer at UW-Marshfield/Wood County, after serving 24 years at Ohio State University.

’85 Richard Madden (B), of Oshkosh, retired after 40 years in November 2011. He officiated at the state championship football game between St. Mary’s Springs and Shiocton. Three other UW Oshkosh alumni helped officiate the game: **David Grey** '67 (LS), **Jim Rath ’76** (LS), and **Mark Shingler** ’84 (LS).

’95 Lisa Bartel (B) was promoted to lieutenant colonel with the U.S. Army in Germany. Besides serving in both Gulf Wars, her career has taken her to Korea, Germany and most of the Middle Eastern countries. She was the first female ever to be appointed to the Defense Forces Senior Command Course in Newbridge, Ireland.

’95 Lori (Piekarski) Corral (LS), of Pasadena, Calif., has worked for Disney for 15 years and is a senior production artisan. She did work for the “Titanic” movie set, commercials and several television shows.

’97 Barry Harris (EHS) and ’03 (MSE) has been named varsity boys basketball coach at Oconto Falls High School.

’98 Mark Balliet (LS), of Grayslake, Ill., is a software developer for Follett.

’98 Susanne (Lauer) Fenske (LS), of Waukesha, will graduate from Cardinal Stritch University in December 2011, with a doctorate in leadership for the advancement of learning and service in higher education.

’98 Amber Genett (LS), of Kaukauna, was hired as a vice president and director of process and learning development for Thrivent Financial Bank. She won the Fox Cities Future 15 Young Professional of the Year Award in May 2011.

’99 Amy (Mielke) Henselin (B), of Appleton, was promoted to audit partner in the Wisconsin practice of Grant Thornton LLP.

’99 Marsha (Haefs) Olson (B), of Appleton, was hired as the call center manager for Fox Communities Credit Union.

’01 Zane York (LS), of Brooklyn, N.Y., will be exhibiting his newest series of oil paintings at Causey Contemporary. The exhibition “Stewards” is his first one-man show in New York.

’02 James “Tom” Runyon (LS) is teaching sixth-grade social studies for the Freedom School District.

’03 Brady Anderson (LS), of Eau Claire, placed second in the 10-mile run at the Carson Park Five and Ten Road Race in October in Eau Claire.

’04 Mark Penzkover (MBA), of Mukwonago, is the owner of an environmental engineering firm, Endpoint Solutions, located in Hales Corners. He will receive the Pilgrim Degree of Merit, which is the highest honor awarded by the Loyal Order of the Moose. The award recognizes extraordinary service to the member’s community and the organization.

’04 Jamison Stokdyk (LS), of Sheboygan, resigned from U.S. Postal Service management in June 2011 to pursue film composing and writing full-time.

’05 Rochelle Huss (MSE), of Appleton, is a high school special education teacher for the Little Chute School District.

’06 Betty Ward (MSE) is teaching at Oconto High School in the special education department.

’09 Tim Styka (MBA) was selected as the Menasha police chief.

’11 Jeremy Jirschele (CNL), of Wausau, was named the assistant coach with the UW-Stevens Point baseball team.

’11 Danielle LaCost (EHS), of Merrillan, is a member of the Wisconsin Parole Commission.

’11 Julie Schwefel (LS), of Fond du Lac, accepted a full-time position with the Wisconsin Athletic Club in the Milwaukee area.

’11 Jean Westerhaus (LS), of Sussex, and her husband, Ryan, welcomed their first daughter, Claire Margaret, in July 2011.

ABBREVIATION KEY
COLLEGES
• AAS — Associate of Arts and Science Degree
• B — Business
• CNL— Center for New Learning
• EHS — Education and Human Services
• LS — Letters and Science
• N — Nursing

GRADUATE DEGREES
• GMBA — Global Master of Business Administration
• MA — Master of Arts
• MBA— Master of Business Administration
• MPA — Master of Public Administration
• MS — Master of Science
• MSE — Master of Science in Education
• MSN — Master of Science in Nursing
• MST — Master of Science in Teaching
• MSW — Master of Social Work

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