

## December 2012 Class Notes

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The following Class Notes were received recently in the UW Oshkosh Alumni Office.

**'69 John Schuh** (LS), of Ames, Iowa, received his second Fulbright award last February to work with the student affairs staff of three universities in the Capetown region of South Africa. This year, he also has worked with staff at the University of Macao and King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals in Saudi Arabia.

**'69 Daniel VanderPas** (LS), of Appleton, has retired from his sports writer position at the Post-Crescent. He is honored with the District 4 Distinguished Service Award by the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association.

**'72 Thomas Lidtke** (EHS) and **'85 (MA)**, of West Bend, will semi-retire from the Museum of Wisconsin Art as executive director, after being with the museum for 30 years. He will continue to serve as the emeritus executive director, researching the region's art.

**'74 Larry Piumbroeck** (LS), of Eden Prairie, Minn., has been named outreach representative for Guardianship Options at St. Paul-based Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS), the largest nonprofit human service organization statewide.

**'76 Sharon (Krueger) Toellner** (EHS) and **'82 (MSE)**, of Wisconsin Rapids, has taken a new position as cohort instructor at Cooperative Educational Service Agencies (CESA) 5.

**'79 Wendy (Stolper) Lundt** (EHS) is the eighth-grade homeroom teacher and middle school language arts and literature teacher at Sacred Heart Catholic School in Shawano.

**'79 Sally Wilke** (LS) was ordained by Bishop James Justman into the ministry of Word and Sacrament in the Lutheran Church (ELCA) in early November. She has been called to serve as a pastor in Michigan at Grace Lutheran in South Range, and First Lutheran in Dollar Bay. She began her duties mid-November.

**'81 Donald Fass** (EHS), of Fort Atkinson, made team USA in the duathlon (run, bike, run) in 2012. He went to the World Championship in Nancy, France, and placed 37 out of 55 in his age group.

**'81 Clarence Jungwirth** (AAS), of Oshkosh, is 93 years old and is still active with Oshkosh Corporation. He has given more than 400 lectures on history and recently spoke to a social studies methods class at UW Oshkosh.

**'81 William Werch** (LS), of Vancouver, Wash., is enjoying life in the Pacific Northwest and is making several treks a year back to the Midwest to see friends. Recently, he drove through campus and was pleased to see the new and updated facilities.

'82 **Tarome Alford** (LS), of Manchester, Conn., was selected as one of the U.S. faculty members for the 2013 Student Housing Training Institute, which is held at Stellenbosch University in South Africa.

'83 **Brian Leonhardt** (LS), of Appleton, joined Valley Insurance Associated as an account executive. He has more than 30 years of industry experience.

'83 **Patti (Hills) Probst** (B), of Appleton, is the controller at Choice Bank. She has more than 25 years of accounting experience.

'84 **Steve Platteter** (LS), of West Bend, is the director for the Arrowhead Library System.

'85 **Melissa Radley-McConnell** (LS), of Montverde, Fla., owns Book It Entertainment, where she and her husband provide entertainment for large corporate events around the world. She is a certified wine specialist and has a company called Time to Unwine-D Inc. She provides wine tastings and education for corporate events and private parties.

'88 **Bryan Yager** (EHS) who is serving his 13<sup>th</sup> year as athletic director at Reedsburg Area High School, will take on the role of the Wisconsin Athletic Directors Association president.

'89 **Debra (Korn) King** (EHS), of Oshkosh, is an elementary school art teacher in the Oshkosh School District. Her art quilts will be on display at the Gallery Room inside the Winneconne Municipal Center.

'90 **Timothy Costello** (LS) and '01 (MBA), of Oshkosh, is the executive director of Cerebral Palsy Inc, a nonprofit organization serving individuals with disabilities in the 17 counties of northeastern Wisconsin.

'90 **David Johnson** (LS), of Stockton, Calif., has worked as an alternative education teacher for the past 15 years. He recently received his master's of marriage family therapy from National University.

'91 **Greg Giles** (EHS) has been the chief executive officer and executive director of the YMCA in Fond du Lac for the last nine years. He oversaw the construction of a new state-of-the-art YMCA community and family facility in 2009.

'91 **John Hendrickson** (MBA), of Appleton, is the vice president of commercial banking at the Bank of Kaukauna. He has more than 25 years of banking experience in commercial and consumer banking and management.

'92 **Jacqueline Draws** (B), of Greenville, was promoted to senior vice president of operations at Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin.

'93 **Kevin Mahaney** (MBA), of Middleton, was hired as vice president business relationship manager at the State Bank of Cross Plains.

'93 **Donna VanDyke** (B), of Neenah, was promoted to finance leader at Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin.

'97 **Julie (Petersen) Olson** (N) is a family nurse practitioner at Ministry Medical Group's Rhinelander Riverside clinic. Her primary role will be a care float nurse practitioner for the northern region of the state.

'98 **Billie Jo (Speers) Higgins** (B), of Appleton, was promoted to vice president of finance at Goodwill Industries of North Central Wisconsin.

'00 **Keri Harke** (LS), of Oshkosh, obtained her second-degree black belt in Tang Soo Do in September 2012.

'00 **Jodi Katzenberger** (N), of Marshfield, is the chief nursing officer at Memorial Medical Center (MMC) of Neillsville. She will provide oversight and leadership as part of the MMC executive team that oversees the hospital's operations.

'01 **Michelle Angell** (LS), of Menasha, opened her own law practice focusing on consumer bankruptcy, foreclosure defense, family law and estate planning.

'01 **Linda Warner** (LS), of Berlin, graduated from United Seminary of the Twin Cities with a master's of divinity in May 2011.

'03 **Nicholas Hanford** (B) and '09 (MBA), of Oshkosh has struggled with dyslexia, a learning disability, throughout his life. However, with determination, he has earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration. He plans to eventually earn a doctorate. Today, he is a manager with Adaptive Technology Resources.

'05 **Casey Ashman** (B), of Appleton, became a certified public accountant in spring 2012.

'05 **Mark Jakubek** (LS), of Mayville, is an athletic trainer providing coverage for the Beaver Dam and Columbus school districts. He and a partner opened Family and Sports Medicine Center at Beaver Dam Community Hospital two years ago.

'09 **Valerie Seidel** (CNL) is an administrative assistant for the Village of Sherwood.

'10 **Chad Miller** (B), of Oshkosh, was certified by the Wisconsin Bankers Association Board of Directors after he completed the introduction to commercial lending school. He is a credit analyst for Choice Bank.

'11 **Erin Wilkum** (EHS), of Appleton, was promoted to director of development at CHAPS. She will oversee all fundraising and development-related financial opportunities for the Shiocton- based organization, which serves children of families experiencing emotional and behavioral difficulties.

'12 **Angela Darnick** (MSN), of Oshkosh, is the obstetric/gynecological advanced practice nurse practitioner for Appleton Medical Center and Theda Clark Medical Center.

## 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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