

## June 2012 Class Notes

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

'64 **Sandra (Zingler) Wadleigh** (EHS) and (MSE) '91, of Clintonville, retired in fall 2011, after 24 years as Clintonville regional manager of Fox Valley Technical College. She was initiated into Nu Chapter, which is a society of key women educators in Waupaca and Shawano counties.

'65 **David Simon** (LS), of Bartlesville, Okla., retired after 40 years in the energy industry as a research geologist.

'70 **Hans-Peter Kohlhoff** (EHS), of Beaver Dam, the chief executive officer of Beep International Inc., joined the Tommy G. Thompson for U.S. Senate campaign in Wisconsin.

'71 **Craig Pfeffer** (LS), of Tampa, Fla., is the business development director for BRICKS 4 KIDS, a children's education franchise program. The business provides education classes, camps, field trips and birthday parties for kids 3-13 years of age, using LEGO bricks.

'73 **Linda (Bailey) Boilini** (LS) is a chairperson for the "Wall of Success" committee for Badger High School in Lake Geneva. She is a past recipient of this award.

'74 **Jon Moilanen** (EHS), of Leavenworth, Kan., earned his doctor of education from Kansas State University in May 2012. Upon retiring as an Army colonel and dean of students and administration at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, he continues to enjoy a civilian profession as a senior military researcher, analyst and author.

'77 **Peggy Hoffman** (EHS) is coordinating the Gresham Area Advancement Association community garden. She works at Bisley Fabrication on residential and commercial estimating.

'80 **Tim Cook** (B), of Butte Des Morts, accepted the Citizenship Community Partner of the Year award on behalf of Clarity Care and **Kurt Johnson** (B) '10, from UW Oshkosh United Students in Residence Halls and Residence Life for work with the Chance program, which provides enriching and social activities for adults with developmental disabilities.

'80 **Ken Heimerman** (LS), of Wausau, has been in the Marathon County district attorney's office for nearly 25 years and was named the 2012 prosecutor of the year by the Wisconsin Association of Homicide Investigators.

'82 **Jennine Vainisi** (LS), of Brooklyn, N.Y., had her inspirational book, "Embracing Your Life: A Guide for Living with Gratitude and Appreciation," published. She works as an illustrator, designer, art buyer and arts educator.

'84 **Jacqueline (Doherty) Belken-Pecor** (N), of Janesville, is the district nurse for the Delavan-Darien School District.

'85 **Joy Smith** (LS), of Lakeland, Fla., has an e-book, "The Doorway and Other Stories," available on Kindle. Her short story, "Refugees in the Caves," is a podcast, which is available on iTunes and Google's Feedburner. She also interviewed Amy Peterson, author of "From Zero to Four Kids in Thirty Seconds," on her blog.

'86 **Sandie (Brick) Margelofsky** (EHS), of Dodgeville, owns horses Dollie and Foxy, that have become the foundation of a world champion breeding program operated with her husband, Tony. The couple breeds, raises and trains world-caliber horses and ponies of their farm, Hayburner Haven Ponies.

'86 **Brian Cashore** (EHS), of Evansville, Wis., will be inducted into the Milton Area Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2012 for outstanding athletic achievements. He played for the UW Oshkosh baseball team from 1983 to 1986.

'86 **Lisa (Ladwig) Nordin** (N), of Elm Grove, published a book titled "Love Lisa: My Spiritual Journey to Freedom from Compulsive Eating." This book was therapeutic to her, and she hopes it is for the readers as well.

'87 **Michael Peeters** (B), of Burbank, Calif., a colonel in the U.S. military, gave lessons about careers in the military to Little Chute students via Skype from Afghanistan.

'90 **Joel Steber** (B) and '95 (MBA), of Suamico, is the vice president of business banking at Bank First for the Green Bay market.

'91 **Kristine Deiss** (LS), of West Bend, is featured on the billboard for UW-Washington County and received the UW-Washington County Alumna of the Year Award.

'91 **Paul Leverenz** (EHS), of New Holstein, supervises FARM (farm assessment rehabilitation methods), self-employment services and other vocational programs for Easter Seals.

'91 **Kenneth Metoxen** (LS), of Oneida, is a self-employed artist for Peace Stone Studios. His website is [www.peacestonestudios.com](http://www.peacestonestudios.com).

'91 **Jacqueline (Dier) Toepfer** (MBA), Chicago, Ill., was promoted to director of WorkSite Development at Autonomy, an HP company.

'92 **Christie (Linskens) Christie** (MBA), of Hartford, received her doctorate in urban education, multicultural studies from UW-Milwaukee.

'92 **Mary Downs** (MS) and (MSE) '94, of Appleton, is the system vice president for ThedaCare's spine and orthopedic business lines. She spent the past three years as executive director of ThedaCare behavioral health.

'93 **Tracy (Slowiak) Deavers** (EHS) and (MSE) '99, of Elkhorn, will be the new director of teaching

and learning at the Edgerton Public School District.

'95 **Frank Blader** (LS), of Wautoma, an Air National Guard first lieutenant, has been deployed to Afghanistan to serve in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, the anti-terrorism military operation involving U.S. troops and allied coalition partners.

'96 **Bradley Heutmaker** (LS), of Rochester, N.Y., was named the director of national accounts for Moss Affiliate Marketing and works with insurance carriers across the country.

'98 **Tiffany (Speckman) Ebensperger** (LS), of Juda, was the top finisher among Wisconsin women at the 116<sup>th</sup> Boston Marathon. She competed for the UW Oshkosh women's cross country and track and field teams from 1994 to 1998.

'98 **Tricia (Konyn) Hurley** (LS), of Peshtigo, is the sales and marketing director for Farmers and Merchants Bank and Trust.

'99 **Molly (Yatso) Butz** (LS) is the community health and wellness director for the Oshkosh YMCA.

'00 **Greg Flanagan** (LS), of Minneapolis, Minn., is the director of operations at The Mill. It is a new educational industrial art business that celebrates the do-it-yourself culture.

'01 **Bart Dahl** (LS) and **Jennifer Dahl '02** (LS) are both assistant professors at UW-Eau Claire. Bart is an assistant professor of chemistry, and Jennifer is an assistant professor of materials science.

'04 **Jon Zweiger** (B), of Minneapolis, Minn., was inducted into the Lourdes Athletic Hall of Fame. He continued his track career at UW Oshkosh from 2001 to 2004, where he became the school record holder in the 55-meter high hurdles with a time of 7.49 seconds.

'05 **Carrie (McCarthy) Voss** (MSN), of Appleton, a nurse practitioner for Advanced Pain Management, is nationally certified through the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

'07 **Robert Ireland** (LS), of Genoa City, Wis., is the managing editor/new media for the Lake Geneva Regional News. He will be reporting, editing, taking photos and designing pages.

'08 **William 'Bill' Marklein** (LS), of Sheboygan, is the community relations director for the Sheboygan Chamber of Commerce. He is a volunteer football coach at Sheboygan South High School and a volunteer at the Boys and Girls Club. He also is on the Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation Young Professionals Committee.

'08 **Peter Simon** (LS) and **Abby Simon** (EHS) '10, of Fond Du Lac, are in the process of building a tiny house and downsizing from a three-bedroom, two-story home to a 300-square-foot home. They are among a growing number of Americans with ordinary lives who choose to scale down.

'10 **Steve Bicek** (B), of Mequon, works for QPS Employment Group, one of Milwaukee's top 10 businesses of the year.

'10 **Daniel Curran** (EHS), of Mount Horeb, a science teacher at DeForest Area High School, was recognized by the Wisconsin Society of Science Teachers for his outstanding work with science education in Wisconsin.

'10 **Mariah Haberman** (LS), of Oregon, Wis., was crowned Miss Wisconsin Central 2012. Her platform is spreading awareness about the effects of alcohol addiction, after learning to cope with her personal tragedy of having a dysfunctional family.

### **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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