

November 2013 Class Notes

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Most of us know about student teaching. But what about online, or virtual, student teaching?...

Mike Wilbert, a special education major, is the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh's first virtual student teacher. The soon-to-be-alumnus took time from his student teaching experience with the MacFarland-based Wisconsin Virtual Academy to join us for our Class Notes Google+ Chat to talk about what he and his students are learning and how they are teaching and learning in an innovative way.

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

'68 **William Starosta** (LS), of Fairfax, Va., will be commemorated by the National Communication Association for his 34 years of college teaching, research and mentoring at Howard University in Washington, D.C. He also was a founding editor of *The Howard Journal of Communications*, a quarterly, international journal.

'71 **Suzanne (Schneider) Maddox** (LS), of Las Cruces, N.M., was recognized at the Women of Distinction luncheon in Las Cruces by the governor for being a role model for girls and for her extraordinary contributions to New Mexico communities.

'71 **Gwen (Coleman) Tatera** (EHS), of Appleton, has published a children's book titled *Tales from the Teacher Patrol*.

'74 **Patrick Goebel** (B), of Mequon, has been named in *The Best Lawyers in America 2014* by Quarles & Brady LLP, a national law firm.

'76 **Linda Godfrey** (EHS), of Elkhorn, a best-selling author and award-winning journalist has published a book titled *Hunting the American Werewolf*.

'77 **Jane (Coorough) Gruner** (EHS), of Reno, Nev., has been appointed administrator of the Aging and Disability Services Division in the Department of Health and Human Services for the state of Nevada.

'78 **Charles 'Chuck' Maloney** (B), of Madison, has retired from Continental Western Group as senior vice president of sales.

'79 **Ann LaForce** (LS), of Waukesha, is the new dean's executive assistant at UW-Manitowoc.

'82 **Lori (Burns) Brooks** (LS), of Walla Walla, Wash., has received her sixth career Emmy Award for her work at the National Broadcasting Company on the Olympics from London in 2012.

'82 **Robert Snyder** (LS), of Platteville, is a guest speaker at UW Oshkosh in Radio-TV-Film courses about job trends in social media.

'83 **Ann McCarthy** (MBA), of St. Louis, Mo., has been named chief operating officer of ZeaVision. She also became chief financial officer in 2010, and will continue her leadership in that role.

'84 **Donald Schwartz** (LS), of Hales Corners, a lecturer of political science at UW-Fond du Lac, also is teaching at UW-Manitowoc.

'86 **Linda (Forseth) Kutchenriter** (LS) and '08 (MPA), of Omro, received the Credentialed Manager designation from the International City/County Management Association.

'88 **David Sakrison** (MPA), of Ripon, teaches strategic management and international marketing at Ripon College and serves as a mentor at Creative Enterprise Consultants, a student-run business consulting firm at Ripon College.

'89 **Kent Orfan** (LS), of Sun Prairie, is the newest member of the Sun Prairie City Council. He also served for a decade on the city's Utilities Commission, including eight years as chair.

'90 **Sandra (Blau) Sickinger** (EHS), of Manitowoc, joined UW-Manitowoc as an administrative assistant for the music department.

'91 **Christopher Deubler** (MS), of Two Rivers, is an associate lecturer of math at UW-Manitowoc.

'93 **Samuel Miller** (MBA), of Appleton, will be honored by the American Bankers Association with the Bruning Award, a top agriculture banking award.

'97 **Amy (Algiers) Ciepluch** (LS), of Milwaukee, has been named in *The Best Lawyers in America 2014* by Quarles & Brady LLP, a national law firm.

'98 **James Schmidt** (LS) and '07 (MS), of Milwaukee, has served as the veterans benefits coordinator at UW-Milwaukee since 2007.

'98 **James Viotto** (EHS), of Appleton, is the girls head basketball coach at Kaukauna High School.

'99 **Todd Martinson** (LS), of Brooklyn, returned to Kickapoo High School as a Spanish teacher, after taking some time to travel and open his own life coaching business.

'01 **Jason Otto** (LS), of Milwaukee, has been promoted to lead chemist with Milwaukee Water Works.

'04 **Benjamin Haapapuro** (B), of Denver, Colo., graduated from the U.S. Air Force basic training in San Antonio-Lackland, San Antonio, Texas.

'04 **Eamon McKenna** (EHS), of Oshkosh, is in his second year as head coach of the Men's Cross Country and Track and Field teams at UW Oshkosh.

'07 Melinda (Dorn) Anderson (EHS) and '07 (LS), of Oshkosh, is a math teacher at Adams-Friendship High School.

'07 Seth Merrill (LS), of Neenah, was promoted to director of group sales for the Wisconsin Timber Rattlers, after spending 2.5 years as the group sales representative.

'08 Anthony Memmel (LS), of Milwaukee, was named the 2013 Wisconsin Area Music Industry's singer/songwriter of the year.

'10 Ashley Seiler (MSN), of Laona, has joined Ministry Medical Group as a nurse practitioner for family practice in Laona and Crandon.

'12 Stephanie Feucht (EHS), of Rubicon, is working at Mayville School District as a 3-8 grade math interventionist.

ABBREVIATION KEY

COLLEGES

- AAS — Associate of Arts and Science Degree
- B — Business
- EHS — Education and Human Services
- LLCE — Lifelong Learning and Community Engagement
- LS — Letters and Science
- N — Nursing

GRADUATE DEGREES

- DNP — Doctor of Nursing Practice
- 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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