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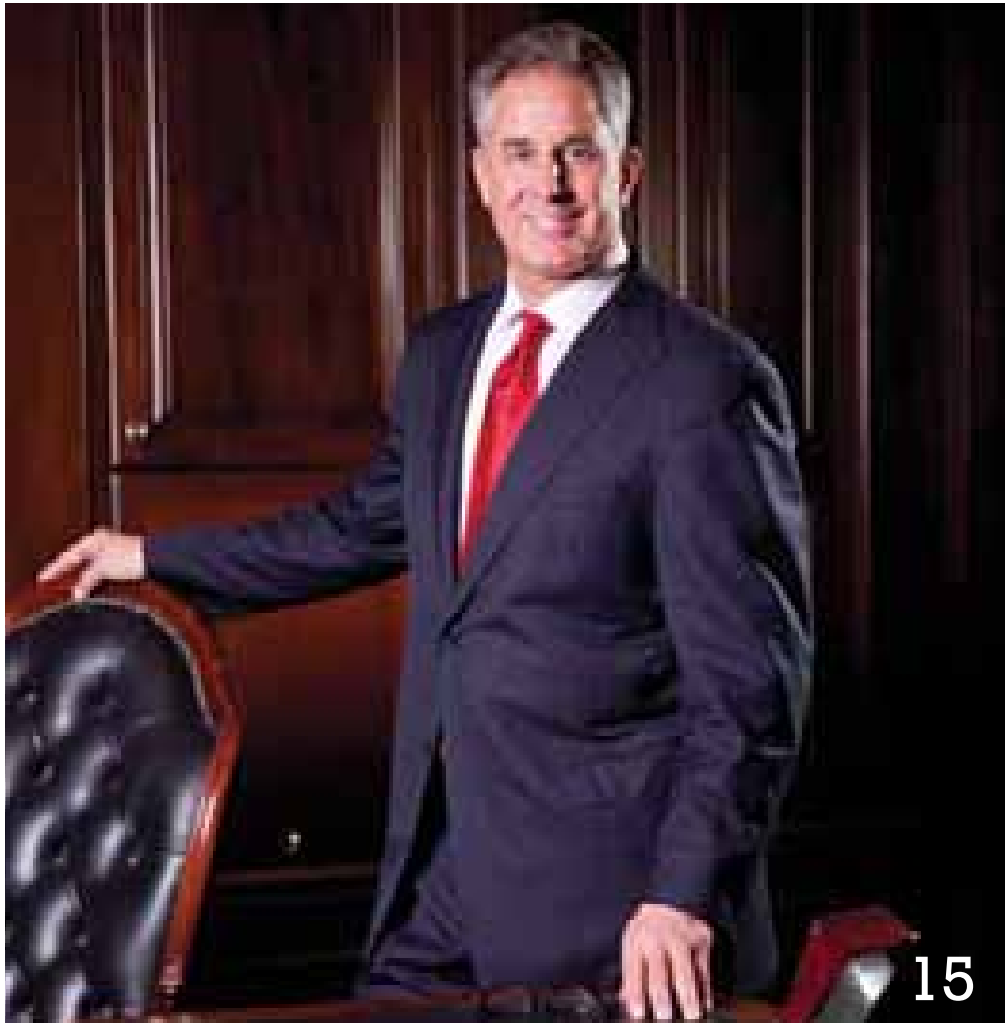


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a great year we had! In my last communication to you, I spoke of new commitments and opportunities, and I extended an invitation to you to join us again as Northland reaches for even greater prominence. Now, I am delighted to point to hard data and successes that document our progress. Indeed, Northland College is resilient, distinctive, committed to partnership and service, and a powerful force in building the economic sustainability and cultural vibrancy of our region.

This coming fall, Northland College will welcome the largest new class of students in recent years. The numbers of new first year and transfer students will exceed previous years. Included in this class will be more local students, as well as students from coast to coast who commit to this college because of our relevant majors, experiential learning opportunities, generous scholarship support, and the promise of the benefits of a Northland degree.

We have also enjoyed exceptional support from donors this year. We surpassed all of our goals for raising scholarship dollars. The loyalty and generosity of those who have helped with these gifts (alumni, friends, employees, and corporate and foundation partners) is humbling and remarkable. We also recently accepted a large anonymous gift that relieved much of our debt and placed us in an even more secure position. At the very time when many colleges are struggling to survive, Northland now has the opportunity to grow and improve.

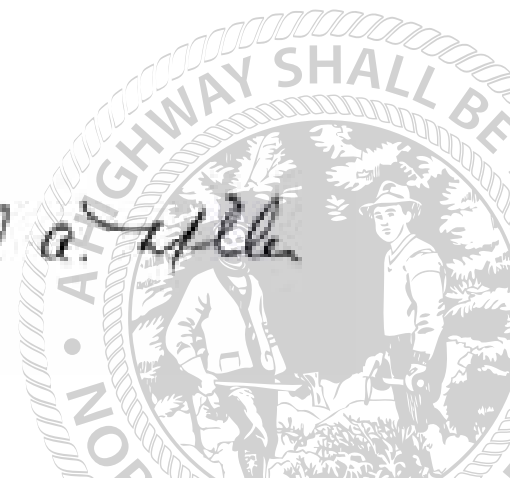
We are reviewing a variety of reports and plans created last year to strengthen this special college in the coming year. For example, we will expand support to our Native American community members this year through new initiatives and programs that strengthen cultural exchange, learning, and collaboration.



The Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute (SOEI) has a strong tradition of actively engaging the community, professionals across the region, and the college in important environmental work. Now, we are taking further steps to support and strengthen the institute through growth in programming, additional personnel, expansion of the areas of emphasis, improved clarity in the structure of the work, and in the ways to connect with the people of the region. These steps are an important response to the needs of the world.

Certainly the economics of the past few years have been challenging, but Northland's resilience, passion, and grace are making the difference. Last year was a great year for us. Next year looks even better!

Sigurd Olson



Hicks Endowed Fund

On April 8, President Miller was joined by friends and family of Francis and Helen Hicks to formally establish the Francis and Helen Hicks Family Endowed Fund.

The purpose of the fund is to provide support for the maintenance and improvement of the Northland College athletic fields, which are used by Northland, Ashland High School, and the Ashland community.

"The Francis and Helen Hicks Endowed Fund is an excellent model for how we can build more relationships with the Ashland public schools and the greater Ashland community," said Miller. "These are the kinds of ways we want to strengthen the college, to serve the community and to be more engaged."



Top: Tim Hicks (left) and Northland College President Michael A. Miller sign the Memorandum of Understanding establishing the Francis and Helen Hicks Family Endowment.

Storm Chaser visit

Extreme storm chaser, Discovery Channel personality, and meteorologist Reed Timmer visited Northland on Saturday, March 26, 2011 to discuss his work on severe weather forecasting, safety, and survival. The event highlighted Northland's redesigned Meteorology/Atmospheric Sciences program. The public was also invited to view Timmer's specialized tornado intercept vehicle, the storm research vehicle (SRV) Dominator. The SRV Dominator is a heavily customized, armored, SUV able to withstand wind speeds of up to 100 miles per hour, allowing Timmer and his team to collect data from areas of severe weather previously inaccessible to researchers.



NEWS



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Northland begins fiscal year with fund-raising success

Donors are supporting students and special projects at the highest level in several years, raising more than \$6.8 million in gifts during President Miller's first year in office. Additionally, an anonymous gift has cut the school's debt by more than half, and the college's endowment, reduced by the economic collapse, has recovered by \$5 million.

"Each gift that we have received in this remarkable year has helped provide students with scholarships

and has strengthened the financial foundation of this College at a time when the world economy has left many other institutions struggling," said President Miller. "In particular, I should note the tremendous response to our trustee challenge, in which our trustees raised more than \$1.1 million towards this special scholarship initiative. It was quite a success and sets us up for even more remarkable accomplishments in the coming year."

By the end of the 2010-11 academic year, 701 donors contributed more than \$785,000 to meet the challenge. A total of \$1.9 million was raised to support

student scholarships for the 2011-12 academic year. The emphasis on scholarships in this year's fund raising efforts is a factor in strong enrollment indicators for next fall, with early data predicting that Northland will enroll its largest class of freshmen and transfer students in years. Actual enrollment numbers will be officially tallied in September, but data including the number of students who have applied, been accepted and placed deposits are very encouraging.

Scholarship awards are the basis of Northland College's new Access Guarantee (see above right), that will greatly impact the cost of a



Access Guarantee

In March 2011, Northland unveiled Access Guarantee, a new program that offers students from low and middle income families the opportunity to attend a private college at the same or lower cost than Wisconsin's largest public university. The program, supported in part by donors, matches the in-state resident costs of attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"Maintaining college affordability is an important priority in these challenging economic times," said President Miller. "A college degree is a valuable career investment, but many families have been forced to sacrifice choice for financial reasons. Through Access Guarantee, we offer students scholarships that recognize financial need and academic ability. These scholarships make the cost to attend Northland equal to or lower than advertised tuition, fees, room and board at a large public university."

To qualify for Northland's Access Guarantee, a student must have a "B" or better average in high school, come from a family with an adjusted gross income of \$150,000 or less, and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Northland education for many students.

"The need for student scholarship funding is readily demonstrated during these difficult economic times, and it has been so rewarding to see how people are responding to this need," said Marc Barbeau, Northland's vice president for Institutional Advancement. "A great example of this response is the new Robert and Debra Cervenka Scholarship (see pg.4) that will provide a renewable, full tuition scholarship each year for the next four years."



Scholarship Dinner

More than 150 prospective students, parents, and family members attended the 2011 Northland College Scholarship Recognition Dinner on March 26, 2011. The students, many of them now members of the incoming freshman class, were recognized for excellence in academics, the arts, community service, and a variety of other areas. Above, President Miller speaks with a student at reception before the event.

NEWS



Saying goodbye to the Bro House

After serving as the home of the Northland College music program for more than two decades, the Bro House was torn down in early June 2011. Music program offices and practice facilities have been relocated to the basement of the Larson-Juhl Center for Science and the Environment. The building had become too inefficient to heat and maintain.

Student Art Exhibit

The Northland College Art Department hosted a Student Art Exhibition in the Mary Van Evera Visual Art Center April 14-21.

The exhibit featured works by more than 60 Northland students enrolled in Photography I, II, and III, Ceramics II, Ceramic Hand Building, Design Studio, Drawing I, and Printmaking I.



Cervenka scholarship rewards northern Wisconsin students

A new scholarship funded by the family of Northland College Trustee Debra Cervenka will provide a renewable, full tuition scholarship each year for the next four years. It is the intent of the Cervenka family that the scholarships be awarded to new Northland College students from northern Wisconsin. The awards will be made on the basis of academic achievement, leadership, participation, financial need and potential contributions to the Northland College community.





Northland, local agencies train together

Several Northland College students, faculty and staff along with National Park Service employees, US Forest Service employees and educators from Wilderness Inquiry took a cold dip in Lake Superior on Friday, April 29 as part of a training exercise with a Montreal Canoe, a 34 foot boat modeled after the large canoes used during the fur trade. The exercise taught those who may guide trips in the canoe how to handle the boat and what to do in the event of a swamping. Participants wore dry suits to protect against the sub-40 degree water of Lake Superior.

Hulings Lecture

In January, Dr. Michèle Geslin Small (at left), professor of English and modern languages at Northland College, presented "The Metaphoric use of Nature for Biting 'Satire' in Latin American and Caribbean Short Stories," her final lecture as the A.D. and Mary Elizabeth Andersen Hulings Distinguished Chair in Humanities, a position that she has held since

2007. Dr. Small is the fourth Northland faculty member to serve as the Hulings Distinguished Chair since its founding in 1992.

Dr. Small's research in environmental literature from Latin America and the Caribbean took off after a 2002 trip to Latin America funded by a National Endowment of the Humanities (NEH) grant. She describes the area of study as an emerging field, and says that studying literature

from other cultures is key to a better understanding of the world around us.

"Most environmental literature that has been published here," she said, "has been American, representing American values. Literature from other cultures represents different values and a different treatment of nature."

NEWS



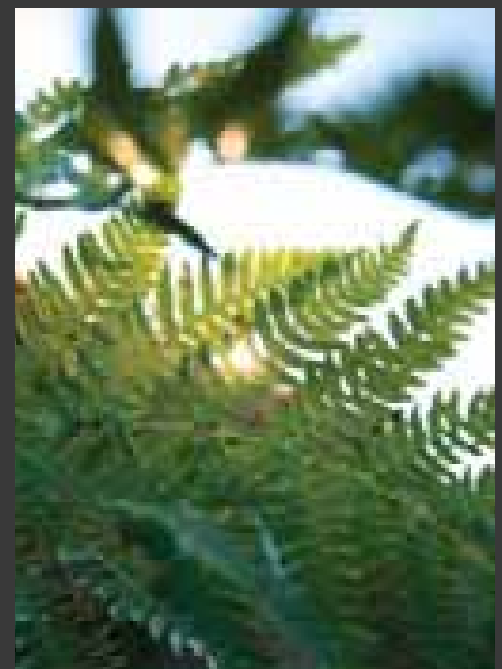
SOEI to expand services and staffing

The Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute (SOEI) is expanding partnerships between community professionals across the region and Northland students, faculty, and staff.

“We are taking steps to support and strengthen the institute in new ways that will produce growth in programming, increase personnel, expand areas of emphasis, improve clarity in the structure of the work and in the ways to connect with the people of the region,” said President Miller.

“In the fall we will initiate a national search for a new SOEI Executive Director. There will be three areas of focus including Integrated Ecosystem Science (research and field work funded primarily by grants and contracts), Sigurd Olson Legacy (wilderness and adventure education), and Sustainability (to include training, research, outreach and programming related human, economic, and environmental wellbeing).”

Additionally, Miller said new leaders and additional staff will be hired to support the work.





CBAP hard at work

Mike Gardner, program director at the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute, is spearheading the first phase of the Chequamegon Bay Area Partnership Beach Sanitary Survey Project, a \$190,000 effort to remediate public beaches throughout the Chequamegon Bay region. Supported by a large staff of Northland students, the Beach Sanitary Survey Project will visit public beaches throughout Bayfield and Ashland counties over the next several months.

Though the project is environmental in nature, the ramifications of the group's work will have lasting economic impacts. Gardner says that the health of public beaches in the Chequamegon Bay is closely tied to the overall health of the regional economy.

"The Chequamegon Bay is known for its pristine beaches," he says. "People drive from all over the Midwest to spend time on the Lake, but no one wants to drive 300 miles to find a 'beach closed' sign."

The project is one of the first efforts developed by the Chequamegon Bay Area Partnership (CBAP). CBAP is a collaboration of 15 municipalities, tribal governments, non-profit organizations, and government agencies formed in 2009 to address environmental issues facing the Chequamegon Bay. To date, the partnership has been awarded nearly \$600,000 in competitive federal grants through the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative to develop restore, survey, and protect the Great Lakes.



Northland partners with Wilderness Inquiry

Northland College and Wilderness Inquiry have partnered to create a cooperative alliance. The agreement, signed at Wilderness Inquiry's Minneapolis headquarters by Northland College President Michael A. Miller (left) and Wilderness Inquiry Executive Director Greg Lais (right), outlines a dynamic partnership that will ensure new opportunities for students and educators across the upper Midwest. Also present at the signing was former Northland student and current Wilderness Inquiry staff member Hilary Bulger (center).

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By its very definition, a legacy requires an understanding of time: a tie to our history and an eye on generations to come. Like a delicate thread binding together our past, present, and future, it demands an awareness of something bigger than ourselves and the current moment in which we exist. A legacy grounds us within the context of our ancestors and those who will follow.



For many families, Northland College is part of that legacy, part of that grounding. It's a place where family members have returned for generations to pursue an education; to be part of a vibrant community of scholars, friends and alumni; and to help maintain that critical tie to their past, and the future.

To these families, Northland has been many things: a place to discover and learn, a place to hone old skills and pursue new passions. It's been a launching pad for interesting careers and meaningful lives, and a place to call home.

For the last three generations of the Hicks family, Northland has been a place to challenge one's self in the classroom and on the athletic field. The tradition began with Francis Hicks, who enrolled at Northland in 1946. A veteran of World War II, he attended the College under the GI Bill, which provided funding for tuition and supplies to servicemen returning from Europe and the Pacific. Though Francis was already married to his wife Helen and had four children when he began his education (their fifth child would be born a few years later), Francis still found time to

study and serve as captain of the basketball team. He graduated from Northland in 1948 with a teaching degree and went on work in education for the next 36 years. He was inducted into the Northland College Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005 for both his athletic career at the College and his service to the community as an educator and coach.

When it came time for Francis and Helen's children to go to college, four of the five chose Northland. Francine (Hicks) Hare graduated in 1963, Rollie Hicks in 1965, Terrence Hicks in 1966, and Tim Hicks in 1973. Tim and Rollie both participated in athletics at the College, playing football, baseball, and basketball. While at Northland, Rollie also met his wife Pamela, who graduated in 1969. Tim's wife, Cheryl, attended and graduated from Northland in 2002.

After graduating from Northland and earning a master's in physics from Auburn University, Rollie returned to Northland as physics instructor. Rollie also holds a PhD in Counselor Education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He later served on the Alumni Board, the Board of Trustees, and as



Alumni Director at Northland College from 1995 to 1999. Like his father, Rollie was also inducted into the Northland College Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980.

In the 90s another generation of Hicks earned their degrees. Tim's daughter, Sammy, and Rollie's son, Jason, attended Northland, graduating in 1992 and 1999 respectively.

Obviously, Northland College has been an important place for the Hicks family, but over the years the family has done a great deal for Northland in return. Most recently, they formalized the Francis and Helen Hicks Endowed Fund to support the maintenance and improvement of the College's athletic fields, which are used not only by the Northland LumberJacks and LumberJills, but also by the Ashland Oredockers, and other community programs.

Previously, the family established the Mr. and Mrs. H.F. DeLarme Endowed Scholarship in memory of Pam Hicks' parents. The scholarship provides support for one or more students every year and will continue to do so indefinitely.

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For other families, a legacy hasn't necessarily been about attending the College, but rather about helping it to develop into the institution that it is today. For example, George W. Mead, though he himself never attended, established a family tradition of leadership by giving the \$50,000 that Northland needed in 1955-56 to balance the budget at that time and achieve academic accreditation. Many credited Mead as a savior of the College during one of Northland's most challenging times. He also provided significant funding for a new residence hall, which would later bear his name. Years later, George was awarded an Honorary Doctorate for his long history of support and leadership, and he eventually went on to serve on the Northland College Board of Trustees from 1958, until his death in 1961.

Mead's children, Stanton W. Mead and Emily Baldwin Bell, followed in their father's footsteps, providing support and leadership for the College in their own ways: Stanton, as a friend of the College, and Emily, as a Trustee from 1960 to 1978. Emily's support

Left: Members of the Hicks family gather at the signing of the memorandum of understanding for Francis & Helen Hicks Endowment Fund. Clockwise from back left Jason Hicks, Amy Young, Tim Hicks, Dallas Hare, Rollie Hicks, Pamela Hicks, Francine (Hicks) Hare, and Cheryl Hicks. Center: Northland's dining hall, the Baldwin Commons. Right: Sam Berry '10 analyzes one of his prints in the Mead-Witter Print Studio in Northland's Mary Van Evera Visual Arts Center.

made possible the building of the Baldwin Student Center, the predecessor to today's Ponzio Campus Center. Both Emily and Stanton received honorary doctorates recognizing their impact on the institution. And now Mead's grandchildren, George W. Mead, II and Ruth Baldwin Barker, are carrying the torch as well.

Each generation of the family has maintained a tradition of supporting key initiatives of the College. In 2008, the Mead Witter Foundation, Inc., led by George W. Mead II, Chairman, endowed a scholarship that helps several students each year from northern Wisconsin to fund their education. Ruth and Hartley (recently deceased) Barker have continued to support the institution through an endowed scholarship in their name and through support of campus initiatives including the development of the Larson-Juhl Center for Science and the Environment. A short stroll around the campus reveals the many ways in which the support of the extended Mead family has impacted students: from the Baldwin Commons, where students living on campus go for their meals, to the Mead Witter Foundation Printmaking Studio in the Visual Arts Center to the Campus Fire Ring where outdoor classes meet during the day and students congregate to socialize at night. But their support runs deeper than just infrastructure. The Mead legacy runs deep at Northland College and has allowed Northland to provide a quality liberal arts education to several generations of students.

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The Penn family tree winds back through Northland's history to shortly after the turn of the 20th century, when Northland still offered an academy program. At one point, more than a decade ago, the Penn's were recognized by Northland as the family in the institu-

tion's history with the most members who have attended.

Of course, to hold a title like that, it helps to have a large family, and the Penns certainly do. Felix '31 and Violet Penn had seven children: Charles '53, Anthony '50, Vina x49, David '60, Patricia '56, Paul x58, and Robert. All of them either attended or graduated from Northland. All of them also married other alumni: Charles married Marian Hubbard '52, Anthony married Bernice Dyke '50, Vina married James Paulson '50, David married Molly Dunphy (attended classes, years unknown), Patricia married George Zipperer x55, Paul married Marilyn Carter '53, and Robert married Gretchen Eriksen x63. Some of those spouses also happened to be the children of alumni, creating more ties back through Northland history.

For example, Mariann (Hubbard) was the daughter of Marshal Hubbard, who took voice lessons at Northland, and Elizabeth (Rewalt) x30, who attended the Academy. Elizabeth's brother, Raymond Rewalt '31 and Marshall's sister, Eva Hubbard '31 both attended the academy.

Mariann and Charles later had four children, two of whom graduated from the College. Vina "Bunny" Penn and Julie (Penn) Coy both graduated in 1978. Julie married fellow Northlander Jack Coy x80 and another of the Penn children, Penny (Penn) King married another Northland alum, Jim King.

But connections to the Penn family don't just spring from Felix and Violet. Felix also had several siblings with ties to the College. Two of his brothers, Theodore and John Penn attended and graduated the same year as Felix, 1931. Their sister Mary Penn, also graduated from the Academy and then later returned as an instructor. Though another brother, Leo Penn, never attended the College, his son John "Jack" Penn enrolled. Jack married another Northland student, Anna Hansen, and their son Richard Penn, not only graduated from Northland in 1975, but returned to teach English at the College from 1989 until 2006.

The ties to the College go on and on. Tracing Violet's side of the family, you'll find siblings Harold, Noel, Clarence, Agnes, and Esther who attended



"x" prior to a year indicates the final year of attendance at Northland College



at one time or another. Noel's grandson Dallas married Francine (Hicks) Hare tying together the Penn's and Hicks'.

There are other similar ties to the Hagstrom family and the Van Houten's and the Whitmore's. At a certain point, the connections become so numerous and complex that they seem impossible to map out. There are aunts and cousins and nephews and in-laws and brothers scattered through the institution's history back so far that the records become hard to find. But suffice it to say that the Penn's and the extended branches of their family tree have for generations, been an integral part of the framework that has held the college together.

These families represent only the tip of the iceberg. There are many more: the Arbaughs, the Bros, the Chapples, the Chases. They are all a part of the history. The Dexters, the Georgesons,

the Griffiths. Their legacies have shaped the college that Northland has become, that Northland will be tomorrow and next year, and next century. The Hartleys, the Jauquets, the Lockharts. They have funded buildings and been part of important conversations. The Nattis, the Prays, the Spragues. They have provided bold leadership in difficult times. The Speichers, the Travaglinis. And have been the quiet hands at work behind the scenes. They have stood by the College in times of struggle and celebration. From A to Z, the campus archives are filled with families that have been pivotal to the college, each in their own way. And in doing so, they are also each part of the larger legacy that Northland will leave, not just on each of its student, but on the world.

This page: Felix and Violet Penn, who both attended Northland, had seven children all of whom attended the College. Opposite page: A pendant given to Elizabeth (Rewalt) Hubbard, mother of Mariann (Hubbard) Penn, by Northland.

Share Your Family Story with Us.

Does your family have a long history with Northland College? We may already know most of the story, but we'd love to know more. So take a little time to tell us about it. Visit the Northland College Magazine website and click on the Legacy article to submit your families information or give us a call at (800) 318-2583.



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Changing of the Guard

After nearly a decade of service as Chairman of the Northland College Board of Trustees, John N. Allen has retired from the post. Allen will continue to serve as a member of the Board and has been succeeded in his leadership role by Trustee Thomas D. Martin. In recognition of his long service to the College, Allen was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Public Service during the 2011 Commencement Ceremony at which he also delivered the commencement address.

Originally from Suamico, Wisconsin, Allen graduated from



Northland College in the spring of 1977 with a degree in broad field social science and minors in history and political science. He earned a law degree from Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota. After completing his studies in 1980, Allen joined Coldwell Banker, where he quickly established himself as a top five producer, ultimately arranging more than 10 million square feet of sales and lease transactions by the time he left the company in 1995. In 1983, Allen founded Minneapolis-based Industrial Equities, LLP., a real estate investment company

that now owns more than 3 million square feet of commercial property in several areas of the country.

Allen has been a dedicated and loyal supporter of Northland College for many years. As a student, he served as a student trustee, an experience he credits with aiding in the development of his public speaking skills. Upon graduation, Allen was an active member of the alumni association and joined the Board of Trustees in 1997, assuming the role of Chairman of the Board in 2002.

"I have seen John Allen simultaneously fulfill several roles in life," said Northland College President Michael A. Miller. "He is a successful business leader, generous community member, and a grateful alumni of this college. But the role that gives him the greatest satisfaction is that of father and husband. His family remains at all times his first priority."

Pictured above: (from left to right) wife and partner Becky Allen, John N. Allen, mother Marlene Allen, father Walter Allen, and sister Debbie Servais.

100 Commencement



100th Commencement

In 1892, the North Wisconsin Academy was founded to serve the people of Northern Wisconsin, to offer education and the promise of a better life in the wake of the great cut-over. To better provide for the educational needs of the region, the Academy added a collegiate program, to be known as Northland College, in 1906. Since that time, the program has grown and changed, but always with an eye on its mission to provide education that improves the lives of its graduates. On May 28, 2011, Northland College celebrated its 100th Commencement, awarding degrees to more than 130 graduates. (Continued next page)

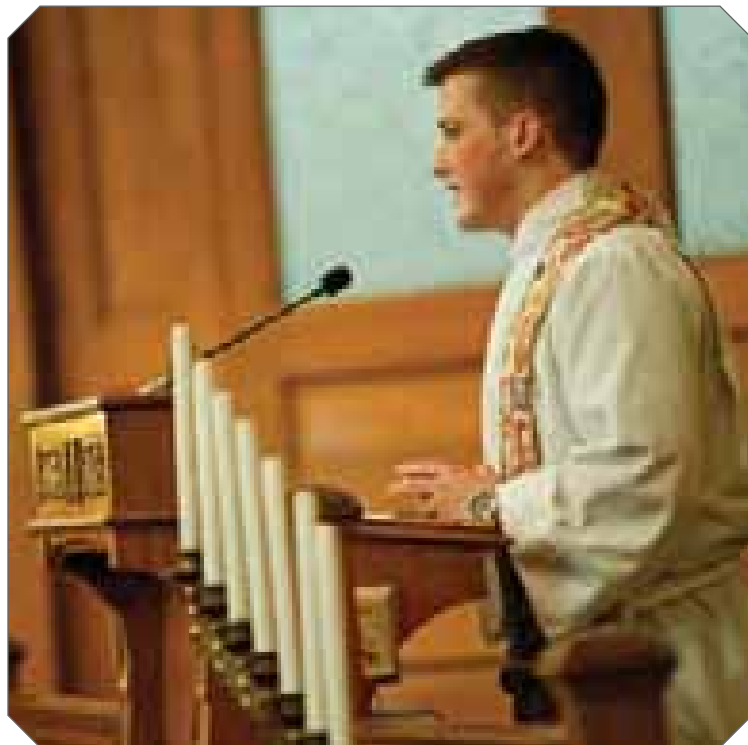
Entrepreneur, Northland College alumni, and Trustee John N. Allen, '77, delivered the 2011 Commencement address (opposite page, bottom right, see also page 18). The student address was given by graduating senior Travis Moore (this page, bottom right).

Moore, originally from Nashville, Tennessee, graduated from the directed studies program with a major in Ecopsychology: Humanity's Nature. An active student leader, Moore represented his fellow students for several years as a Northland College Student Association (NCSA) senator, worked to ease the transition to college for new students as a First Year Experience leader, and volunteered with the Student Vending Initiative. Over the last academic year, Moore worked as the NCSA

Coffehaus coordinator, the WRNC music director and student assistant manager, and as the student manager of the admissions phone team.

Several other alumni participated in the ceremony in various ways. Gilbert Vickers '48, created the original arrangement of the Northland Hymn used in the ceremony; Marguerite Waters, '49, delivered a commencement address; Rev. Ernie Bliss, '69, gave the Baccalaureate Service Invocation and Benediction; Sue Straw Reader, '79, played organ at the Baccalaureate Service; Tom Draughon '79, and Lisa McGinley '80, provided additional music at the Baccalaureate Service; and Rev. Adam Yates '07 (opposite page, top right), gave the Baccalaureate Address as well as the Commencement Invocation and Benediction.





 To see more commencement photos go to:
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ATHLETICS



Lumberjack Hockey closed one of its most successful seasons to date, finishing with a 9-16-2 record and setting 32 team and individual records, including most wins in a season (9), most wins at home (6) and most all academic team members (10). Junior Forward Colin McIntosh (top left) was named to the Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association All-Conference team.

The men's baseball team closed out their season with a two-game winning streak, finishing with a 10-25 record. The Lumberjills softball team wrapped up their 2011 campaign with an 11-27 record.

Sophomore infielder Jeannette Wendler (bottom right) was named to the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) First Team.

Lumberjills basketball (top center with guest coach and associate professor Annette Nelson) finished another strong season with a tough loss to Northwestern College in the UMAC Tournament Semi-Finals, closing the season with a 14-12 record.

The men's basketball team (top right) closed out a tough season at home with a loss against University of Minnesota-Morris, finishing with a 3-22 record.

New Northland Varsity Club

Are you a LumberJack or LumberJill to the core? Northland College has established a new Varsity Club that will give additional support for Athletic Programs and facilities at the College. Find out how you can get involved and support your favorite teams.



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CLASS NOTES

1963

Robert F. Andersen, his wife Kaethe, and their Siberian husky, Sioux, are in good health and thoroughly enjoying retirement in the Pacific Northwest.

Leo Schmidt worked 32 years as a teacher, now self-employed in the logging business for 15 years, and enjoying part time retirement.

1965

Robert R. Nelson retired in January after a long career as a financial advisor.

1968

Robert DeCubellis is chairman of the Murrieta (California) Traffic Commission, and a member of the Murrieta Veterans Memorial Committee. Also, he is a coach for the Murrieta Valley girls' softball association.

1969

Don Johnson is entering his sixth year of publishing the monthly newspaper, Yooper Spectator. Don is retired and uses a wheelchair full time due to Multiple Sclerosis.

1971

Kerry (Johnson) Hill was chosen as this year's recipient of the \$1,000 Fraser Teacher of the Year Award, presented each year to a teacher who has shown passion and innovation. Kerry has taught high school math at Washburn High School since 1990.

J. Scott Palmer is retired from General Electric Healthcare. He resides in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

1973

Bob Battista is president of Designer Moulding in Louisville, Kentucky.

Dennis Hall is employed with New Trier High School in Winnetka, Illinois as LD/ED/EMH/special education teacher/football coach. He and his wife, Joy, were married in 1976. They have a son, Corey, born in 1994.

Bob Schmidt is president of Advan Promotions, Inc., a promotional products company. Advan has over 500,000 products available on the website www.advanpromotions.com.

1974

Tom Hmielewski is director of facilities at Northland College.

James Tapani retired in April 2005 from Clark Public Utilities, located in Vancouver, Washington. James and his wife Lillian have eight children and 17 grandchildren.

1977

John Greuel is a 911 dispatcher in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Stephen Rehwaldt continues to work for Valero Energy Corporation managing contractor labor rates for 14 US refineries and 10 ethanol plants located in the upper Midwest. He is living in San Antonio, Texas with his wife, Cindy.

1979

Diana (Tesoriere) Randolph now has a website for her art and writing. Please visit: www.dianarandolph.com

1980

John Brandenburg has been teaching mathematics at East Lansing High School in Michigan since 1998 and was recently selected to be the principal of the school, which serves about 1,200 students. John earned a master of arts in curriculum and teaching from Michigan State University and is currently pursuing the School Administration Certification Program at Central Michigan University.

Kevin Keeler has been living in Alaska for 27 years. Since late 2004, he's been the federal coordinator of the Iditarod National Historic Trail. As part of his work in summer 2010, he was project manager for the construction of four new remote safety cabins along the Trail. Kevin enjoys telemark skiing, mountain biking, and dragging his daughters (Erin 14 and Kelsey 11) out into the real Alaska.

Lisa (Kennedy) McGinley is the executive assistant to the President at Northland College. Lisa has served in a variety of roles at the college since 1988.

1981

Steve Franklin is in his 15th season as the Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) Head Men's Soccer Coach. He is the school's all-time wins

leader (114) and has taken the men's soccer program from the Division II ranks to a recognizable name among the elite Division I programs in the Midwest.

Ann Maier is a development director of National Geographic Society.

1982

Tim Jungclaus is serving as director of the Therapeutic Services Department at Brattleboro Retreat in Brattleboro, Vermont.

1983

George Gatlin, Jr. accepted a new job as validation manager for the New Jersey office of Perceptive Informatics, a PAREXEL company, on October 18, 2010.

1984

Lorraine (Smith) Downing is married, has a daughter, Sarah Jane, and is living the good life in Nashville, Tennessee.

Rev. Frederick Trost has been honored by the Theological Seminary at Wuppertal, Germany with the degree Doctor of Theology (honorary) for his contributions towards establishing "Full Communion" between the United Church of Christ and the Evangelical (Protestant) Church of Germany. He is now living in retirement in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin with his wife, Louise.

1985

Olaf Kirsten is the Men's Soccer Coach at Northland College. Olaf is a member of the Northland College Athletic Hall of Fame and served as co-head coach of the Northland women's team this past season. He has also coached boys and girls soccer at Washburn High School since 2001.

1988

Charles Schmalz is CEO of East Wisconsin Savings Bank in Kaukauna, Wisconsin. His wife, **Dana Rose-Schmaltz '88** is the User Services Manager at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin.

1989

Jarrod Erbe is a professor of Biology and Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Wisconsin Lutheran College in Milwaukee.

Kevin Tillman is chief ranger for the National Park Service in Fort Smith,

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Montana.

1990

Lee-Anne (Davis) White is living just northeast of Atlanta, Georgia and welcomes visitors anytime. Lee-Anne is interested in hearing from other Northland Singers from the Japan '88 tour.

1992

Michelle (Becker) Smith is a pharmacist with Shopko Pharmacy in Wausau, Wisconsin.

1993

Chris and Jenelle (Wilhelm) Bailey announce the birth of a son, William James Bailey, on April 2, 2010.

1996

Blake Gross is an attorney with Wood, Smith, Henning & Berman, LLP in Las Vegas, Nevada. His wife, Jennifer, is an associate professor/law librarian at the Boyd School of Law at UNLV. Their son, Max, recently turned eight and continues to exhibit megalomaniacal tendencies...which is just fine with his parents. Blake invites former classmates to contact him if they find themselves with a trip to Las Vegas.

1997

Lucy (Sorrells) and Bill Chapman '95 live in Dayton, Ohio with their two girls, Cora and Rose. Bill is a program manager with the USAF. Lucy has her own fiber arts business, Seasons of Wool (www.seasonsofwool.etsy.com)

Heather (Scureman) Wisniewski is an assistant development director at National Outdoor Leadership School in Lander, Wyoming. She and **Chris Wisniewski** were married on September 4, 2010.

1998

Michael E. Anderson was awarded a TA/RA position in the biological science department at the University of North Texas where he is working on his PhD. His research is in marine conservation.

James and Dr. Susan Hoppe announce the birth of their daughter, Addison Grace, born on June 2, 2011. James is a Trio Advisor for The College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minnesota.



2010 graduate Bjorn Erik Norgaard passed away on Sunday, February 20, 2011. An engaged student leader, Bjorn is remembered for his compassion for others, involvement in the campus and greater community, and true enjoyment of life. In his memory, Bjorn's family has established the Bjorn Erik Norgaard Scholarship. More information about the scholarship is available at: northland.edu/bjorn-norgaard

1999

Sarah Meyer is a senior consultant for DNV Renewables (USA) Inc. in Seattle, Washington.

2001

Melanie (Metz) Goble is a veterinarian at Memorial Drive Veterinary Clinic in Manitowoc, Wisconsin.

2002

Erika (Palmer) Wilson is senior planner for the City of Damascus, Oregon. She and her spouse, John, were married on November 26, 2010.

2003

Mary Hammerbeck teaches writing at Whatcom Community College in Bellingham, Washington.

2004

Stacy (Schaefer) Craig is the coordinator of applied learning in the Student Life office at Northland College.

Matti and Allison (Hansen) Gurney ('05) have a daughter, Tessa Lilly Gurney, born September 9, 2008.

Jessica Krajniak and Geoffrey Zakovec were married on June 6, 2009. They have a son, Owen Harold Zakovec, born November 1, 2010.

Darienne McNamara and Tim Ciembronowicz '99 announce the birth of a son, Elijah Odin Ciembronowicz.

Thomas Stanley is licensed as a geologist in Delaware.

2005

Lisa Ladd and Robert Guski were married on January 3, 2009. They have a son, Jeffrey Charles Guski, born March 9, 2010.

Kelly Zacharda is serving as a math tutor in the Minnesota Math Corps, a service-based program comprised of AmeriCorps members. Kelly provides free in-school guidance to children struggling with math at South Junior High School in St. Cloud, Minnesota.

2006

Anna Hochhalter received the 2010 ACE (Arts, Culture and Entertainment) Award for arts advocacy for Champaign County in Illinois. She has worked as the Public Arts Coordinator for the city of Urbana, and is now studying for a Master's in Landscape Architecture from the University of Illinois.

Amanda "Cece" Martin is in a PhD program for Plant Science Research at the University of Minnesota.

2007

Brian Castillo teaches amputee soldiers, paraplegics, and others with physical and cognitive disabilities how to ski through National Ability Center classes at Park City Mountain Resort in Utah.

Katie Christenson recently became certified as a PADI Scuba Instructor and is enrolling into a Captains course. She is living on the Big Island of Hawaii in Kona and still working as a deckhand on a snorkel and dive boat.

Joey Norton is a meteorologist for KSWT 13 News in Yuma, Arizona.

Lauren (Myers) Mocilac is a residential life coordinator for Colorado College in Colorado Springs. She and her husband, Frank, were married on June 25, 2010.

Leah (Moder) Norton is a mentor teacher for Harvest Preparatory Academy in Yuma, Arizona. She and her husband **Joey '07** have a son, Landon Anthony Norton, born November 11, 2010.

2008

Greta Anderson and **Joe Kochevar '05** are engaged to be married in Bayfield, Wisconsin next fall. Greta is an AmeriCorps Farm to School Nutrition Educator for the Washburn Elementary and Middle School, and Joe is on the Operations Team for Mt. Ashwabay.

Kristen (Fox) Boe is a special education aide for Graettinger-Terril Community School District in Iowa.

2009

April BeBault is a biologist with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in Rockville, Maryland.

Sarah Bhimani is an executive assistant for CMS in Helena, Montana.

Whitney Rundell is an Admissions Counselor at Northland College.

2010

Allen Dalke is employed with the City of Menasha.

Sky Denton has accepted a job in Hanalei Bay on the north shore of Kaua'i, Hawaii. He will be guiding and instructing for a company called Kayak Kaua'i.

Bryce Henry works as a broadcast meteorologist for Weather Eye Radio Network.

Max Metz was recently published in Interdisciplinary Studies in Literature and Environment published by Oxford Journals. It is a literary book review of Changing Paths: Travels and Meditations in Alaska's Arctic Wilderness by Bill Sherwonit. Max is an Admissions Counselor at Northland College.

Biagio Nigrelli is an Admissions Counselor at Northland College.

Timothy Werner and **Cassie Wainwright ('11)** announce their engagement. A July 8, 2011 wedding is planned.

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILIES OF:

Rowena (Ziegelbauer) Smith '31 passed away on July 30, 2002 at General Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida. Survivors include two daughters. She was preceded in death by her husband, Walter R. Smith, in 1997.

Sally (Pieper) Eide '33 passed away on January 3, 2011. Sally earned a master's degree in English from the University of Wisconsin. She taught high school English, social studies and music. As a high school librarian, she wrote a guide for small school library organization that was used by the Wisconsin Dept. of Education. She is survived by a daughter. Her husband, **Onan Eide '35**, predeceased her in 1980.

Joseph F. Ilg '33 passed away on May 31, 2004. Originally from Manitowish Waters, Wisconsin, Joe spent his last years with his daughter and family, Judy and Charles Peterson, Mercer Island, Washington.

Johanna (Hattstaedt) Beaulieu '39 passed away on March 8, 2011 at Richland Rehabilitation Center in Washington. She was preceded in death by her husband, Orville Beaulieu in 1988. Survivors include her three sons. Johanna designated that commemorative donations be sent to the student scholarship fund at Northland College.

Clara Hunter Stoakes '39 passed away on August 20, 2010 in Spokane, Washington. Survivors include her two daughters. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Stewart Stoakes '37.

Helga "Kate" (Johnson) Brendle '41 passed away on January 10, 2010 at the age of 96. Kate became a teacher after attending Northland College, teaching on Madeline Island in a one-room school house. She married her first husband, Charles A. Mercadal, in 1938, and they had four children. In 1978 Kate moved to Clearwater, Florida, where she met her second husband, Rudolph Brendle. After Rudy passed away in 1997, Kate returned to the Lake Superior area to live near her daughter. Preceding her in death were her first and second husbands; and two daughters, Michele Kay Mercadal and Carol Mercadal-Fair. She is survived by a son and a daughter.

Kathlyn (Patnode) Mann '44 passed away on January 16, 2011 at Luther Manor in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She is survived

by three children, **Peter '75**, Russell, and Carol, and a sister, **Evelyn Marbes '43**. She was preceded in death by her husband, Arthur.

Frances (Kopacz) Udee '44 passed away on October 29, 2010 in Hurley, Wisconsin. She was married to Leo Udee in 1946, and he predeceased her in 2000. She worked as a library aide in the West Allis school system for 25 years, retiring in 1987. Surviving are three sons and two daughters.

Kenneth Van Ornum '44 passed away on March 11, 2011 in Ashland, Wisconsin. He served in the U.S. Army from 1943 until 1946. He continued his schooling at the University of California-Oakland, Northland College, Radio School in Chicago, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a degree in agriculture in 1949. Ken married Dorothy Sheets in 1948. They resided in Marengo, Wisconsin, where they farmed for a few years. Ken worked as executive director ASCS for Ashland, Bayfield, Iron, and Sawyer Counties until his retirement in 1985. He also worked several years for the Wildlife Abatement Program in Ashland and Bayfield counties. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, of Ashland; three daughters, **Connie Bennett '76**, **Pamela Richardson '89**, Laura Flynn, and a brother, **William Van Ornum '42**.

Phyliss (Ashmun) Benn '46 passed away on February 7, 2011 in LaPorte, Indiana. She earned a BA degree in Journalism from the University of Wisconsin at Madison. While employed as a reporter in Niles, Michigan, she met and married Donald W. Benn in 1947. They moved to LaPorte in 1953. Phyliss returned to college in 1972 at Valparaiso University, where she earned her law degree in 1975. She practiced law until her retirement in 1996. She is survived by her children, David, Martha, Ruth, and Robert and two sisters, **Mary A. Miller '51** and Nancy Clark. Her husband Donald preceded her in death in 1998.

Stanley Stangle '48 passed away on January 22, 2011 in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard and was a member of the Coast Guard Band. His professional career found him traveling as a band performer throughout the United States. He married Verna Mason in 1948. He taught at Bayfield High School for one year, Ondossagon School for about 24 years, and the Ashland Middle School for 13 years. He

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retired as band director of Ashland Middle School in 1979. Survivors include three daughters. He was preceded in death by his wife, Verna, and his son, John.

Natalie (Williams) Weissenborn '48 passed away on October 26, 2010 in Tucson, Arizona. She is survived by three sons, and a daughter. She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Ken; a daughter; and a sister.

LaVerne (Chapman) Kleinow '49 passed away on January 7, 2011 in Washburn, Wisconsin. She worked as an LPN for various nursing homes in Illinois, and as a bookkeeper for The Lamp Man, her husband John's business in Ashland. Surviving are her children, John Kleinow, **Patricia Thayer '90**, James Kleinow, Kurt Kleinow, and Nancy Kleinow. She was preceded in death by her husband, John in 2004.

Dorothy (Fenzi) Schwartz '49 passed away on April 17, 2006 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. She is survived by five children. Her husband, Edward, preceded her in death in 1995.

Sam M. Armstrong '50 passed away on May 22, 2011 at his residence in Ashland, Wisconsin. Sam joined the U.S. Navy during World War II and served in seven major theaters as a gunner's mate from the North Atlantic to mine sweeping in Tokyo Bay. He worked for over 26 years at E. Garnich and Sons Hardware Company in Ashland until it burned in 1975. He was later employed in maintenance at Northern State Bank in Ashland until his retirement. He is survived by his wife of 61 years, Mary Lou, and three children.

James A. Dodd '50 passed away at his home in Adrian, Michigan on January 15, 2011. He was married to **Nancy Hoecker '53** in 1951. He earned his master's degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1951. He was the director emeritus of the Adrian College Shipman Library, retiring in 1990 after more than 25 years of service. He is survived by his wife, Nancy; a daughter, Elizabeth Hoxworth; a son, Paul Dodd; and four grandchildren.

Corinne (Johnson) Link '50 died on December 5, 2010. She was a retired music teacher for the Merrill Schools. Survivors include her sons, Peter Link and John Link; and her brother. She was preceded in death

by her husband, **Paul Link '52** in 1981.

William F. Meyer '51 passed away on March 24, 2011. He worked for the Great Lakes Fleet Services, Inc., a subsidiary of United States Steel Corp. He retired in 1981. He is survived by two nieces, Shirlene Kennedy and **Jacqueline (Meyer) Hopfensperger '86**.

Clarke Nicholson '52 died on May 30, 2008. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou, and children Krista, Dana, Lynn, Clarke III and Ian.

Robert Palmer '52 passed away on May 8, 2011 at his home in Florence, Oregon after a 10-month battle with acute myelogenous leukemia. Bob served in the 82nd Airborne at the end of World War II. He received a master's degree in molecular biology and chemistry from the University of Oregon in Eugene. He was a teacher for 39 years. His final teaching position was at Consumnes River College in Sacramento, where he taught and served as dean and division chairman of science. He is survived by his wife, **Martha (Benton '51)**; four children: Robbin Palmer, **Susan Kilkus '77**, Sally Lagomarsino, and Marti Hirtle; and 12 grandchildren, including **Erika Palmer Wilson '02**.

Ardath Borowick '53 died on March 6, 2008 at home in Wilmington, Delaware. He is survived by his wife, Marion, and two sons.

John R. Johnson '53 passed away on March 12, 2005. He had resided in Sun City, California at the time of his death.

William G. Bennett '54 passed away on October 11, 2010. He served in the US Army, receiving an honorable discharge in 1948. He was married to Dorothy Schuelke in 1952. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, and three sons.

Mary Alice (Speicher) Martin '54 passed away on January 12, 2011 in Dublin, Ohio. Mary earned her M.A. in Library Science from the University of Wisconsin. Her father, the late Dr. Earl E. Speicher, was a professor of religion at Northland College. She is survived by her husband of 55 years, Richard W. Martin; children, Diana R. Martin and Steven C. Martin; and sisters, **Vivian J. McQuoid '44** and **Elaine S. Straw '46**.

Robert J. Bonacci '58 passed away on April 3, 2011 in Las Vegas. Robert taught

high school chemistry, physics and biology at New Berlin High School in Illinois; worked as a chemist for the DuPont Company in Seneca, Illinois; and as a pharmacist in Illinois, Missouri, Wisconsin and Las Vegas. He is survived by three sons, **Robert W. Bonacci '80**, **James M. Bonacci '80**, and Jeffrey Bonacci, two daughters, Lori Bonacci, and Sheryl Dennis.

Norlin "Norrie" Reykdal '59 passed away on June 14, 2011 in Washburn, Wisconsin after a battle with cancer. Norrie was employed as a social worker with Bayfield County Social Services, where he retired. He also did substitute teaching at area schools and played bass fiddle and bass guitar with various bands. His biggest thrill was being on the same stage as Frankie Yankovic, America's Polka King, and Myron Floren of the Lawrence Welk orchestra. Along with his brother Tom, Norrie enjoyed several years of performing in the house band for Telemark Ski Resort. In later years, he obtained a captain's license and chartered fishing boats. He is survived by his mother, Sarah J. Reykdal, Chippewa Falls; four children, Marty Reykdal, Tammy Reykdal, Brian Reykdal and Heidi Cook, all of Washburn; two brothers, **Tom Reykdal '62** and **George Reykdal '69**, and a sister, Julia Langworthy.

Dan Anderson '61 died on November 20, 2009. He was a retired special agent for the FBI. He began his career as a special agent in the Savannah, Georgia FBI office. He was subsequently assigned to the Columbia, South Carolina, Baltimore, Silver Spring and Hyattsville, Maryland FBI offices. He was later assigned to FBI Headquarters in Washington DC, where he assumed supervisory duties in the Criminal Investigative Division, and later in the Inspection Division. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1961 to 1964. He is survived by his wife, **Joan (Manninen) '62** and two children, David and Carol.

Diane (Zyduck) Nelson '61 passed away on May 20, 2011 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. She was united in marriage to **Roland Nelson '59** in 1960. They moved to Tomah, Wisconsin in 1963. She was a business manager and accountant at the Tomah Coop for many years until her retirement. She is survived by Roland and her daughter, Cindy Grzanna.

Duane Gibson '63 died on March 8, 2011 at his home in Apache Junction, Arizona. After two terms at Northland College, Duane joined the Navy for four years. In 1966 he moved to Lansing, Michigan, where he went to work for Michigan Bell. After retirement, Duane worked on temporary jobs around the U.S. He was diagnosed with lung cancer in 2010. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Nancy; his mother and brother, two sons, Michael and Allan, and a daughter Jessica.

Thomas J. Bloss '64 passed away on July 14, 2010. He graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Medical School in 1968. He was a retired physician of Hennepin County Medical Center and Hennepin Faculty Associates in Minneapolis. He was inducted as an officer in the US Army Medical Corp. in 1969 and was honorably discharged in 1972. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Judith. He survived by his wife, Cathy; sons Mike, Tim, Brian, and Kevin; and siblings, Charlie, **John '63**, **Jim '67**, **Dan '67**, Jerry and Mary.

Raymond J. Gougeon '64 died on December 9, 2010 in Marshfield, Wisconsin. He completed his master's degree at the University of Wisconsin-Superior, and was a teacher for 36 years, retiring in 2001. He is survived by his wife, JoAnn, and two daughters, Nicole and Kimberly.

Robert F. Koehler '64 passed away at home in Eau Claire, Wisconsin on January 25, 2011. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Deanna, and four children, Jeffrey, Kimberley, Douglas, and Dennis.

Lovice (Jones) Lustig Naden '64 died on June 24, 2010 after a long illness. Lovice earned a master's degree in curriculum development from UW-Superior in 1967. She taught school in Port Wing, Ondossagon, Washburn, Bayfield and Iron River, Wisconsin, Ewen, Michigan and St. Charles, Missouri, in many various capacities. Surviving are eight children, **Dave Lustig '72**, Jean Lustig, **Karen Garceau '73**, Paula Quincey, Leigh Young, **Marla Laroche '77**, Mark Lustig, and Brenda

Hilton. She was preceded in death by her husband, **Kauko Lustig '46**.

John F. Ziemer '66 of Greenbank, Washington, died on April 18, 2011 due to heart disease. John was drafted in the Army in 1967, during the Vietnam War. His assignment was the medical lab in Indianapolis. He had many careers after that, including janitor, florist, and insurance salesman. He obtained his hematology specialty certification in 1974 from the University of Arizona. He moved to Washington in 1978 and worked at Providence Everett Medical Center in laboratory services for 32 years. He is survived by his wife, Sandy, and children, Jason and Joshua.

Sister Cecelia Bianchino '67 died on February 26, 2011 in Donaldson, Indiana.

Fred Skinner '67, of Kenmore, New York, died in late March after a short illness. Fred spent some years working in the building and trades industry. In 1977, Fred opened

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Rick A. Fairbanks, former Provost of Northland College, passed away Tuesday, February 22, 2011. An avid outdoorsman, skilled teacher, and passionate student of life, Rick counted being a father and husband among his most treasured achievements. In celebration of Rick's service to the College and his impact on all he interacted with, his family has established the Rick A. Fairbanks Memorial Faculty Development Fund. More information about the fund is available at:

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Fred Skinner Construction Company, which he successfully ran for 34 years, serving the Western New York area with industrial remodeling and renovation services. In addition to Jean, he leaves daughter Dana Jordan and son Fred Jr.

James C. Swanson '68 died on December 3, 2008 in New York.

Harold "Skip" Udell '69 passed away on December 29, 2010 at his home in Rio, Wisconsin, of cancer. Survivors include his wife, Darlene; a son, Tim; and daughters, Cindy Schweingrouber Traci Menzel, and Carrie Udell.

Kathryn (Frisch) Garton '70 died on April 18, 2010, after a short fight with cancer. Kathy had been the library director at the Chilton Public Library since the early 1990s. She was very active in her community with various groups and organizations. Survivors include her husband, **Greg Garton '70**; children, Greg Garton, Jr. and Stephanie Garton; and three siblings, including **Peggy Sandy '72**.

Janice Carpenter '71 passed away on February 16, 2001 in Duluth, Minnesota. She is survived by her brother, Duane Carpenter.

Michael West '71 passed away on February 17, 2011 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Michael started working on the railroad in 1972 in Illinois and transferred to Minneapolis in 1978. After retirement,

he continued to work in real estate. He is survived by his brother, Steve West.

Daniel R. Clark '72 died on November 11, 2010. Before his retirement, he was an educator in the Dunmore School District and worked for many years in the Sears service department. He is survived by his wife, Christine, Scranton, Pennsylvania; and twin sons, Danny and John Clark.

Mitchell Snyderman '73 died on June 1, 2011 from a massive heart attack. Mitch was working in Midland as a chemical services lab manager and working on a team to implement a new lab software application. He is survived by his wife, **Joanne (Ferrugia) '74**, and two daughters, Holly and Lisa.

William Liedke '84 died on December 31, 2006. He was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II and was a state trooper in Spooner, Wisconsin. Survivors include three daughters and a sister.

Scott Henke '87 died on March 5, 2011 at his home in Nekoosa, Wisconsin. Scott was a sales representative for Galaxy Distributors for the past 16 years. He is survived by one son, Aaron Henke; his parents, Harlan and Beatrice Henke; and six siblings

Chris J. Johnson '03, of Iron River, Wisconsin, passed away on April 16, 2011. Chris retired from the U.S. Coast Guard in 2000, and served as the Bayfield County Veterans Service Officer for the past 10 years. He is survived by his wife, Peggy.

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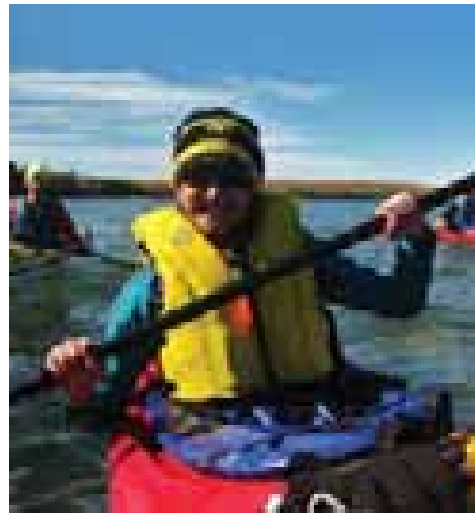
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Northland College student David Hunsicker works under a fume hood to start a chemical reaction that will create a biodegradable polymer. Several students working for assistant professor of chemistry Nick Robertson are helping to develop a curriculum for high school chemistry classes that explores polymers and their various properties. Photo by Bob Gross - Northland College.