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Arlan Hilgendorf, '62 & '68, Janesville, has been named to the Orfordville Parkview Athletic Wall of Fame. Hilgendorf coached track & field for 26 years, including state boy team titles in '79 and '80, along with six conference titles and an overall 146-27-2 record; wrestling coach for 24 years, including a conference team title and a regional team title, along with nine individual state qualifiers and five place winners; nine years as cross-country coach, including two team sectional qualifiers; assistant football coach for three years and athletic director of 19 years. The school has named the football field and track, Hilgendorf Field, in his honor.

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Michael "Mick" Miyamoto, '79 & '85, Asbury, Iowa, will be inducted into the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame April 9, 2016. The current vice president and dean of Student Life at the University of Dubuque has coached football at the high school and college (primarily NCAA III) for 27 years — 10 of them at UWL.

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Jo Randerson, St. Francis, is the senior information management specialist with

American Transmission Co. in Pewaukee. He is starting his fifth year as head women's tennis coach at Milwaukee School of Engineering.

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Julie W. Horn, Minocqua, retired in June 2015 after teaching third grade for 25 years.

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Steve Schemenauer, Minneapolis, has been elected a partner of Stinson Leonard Street LLP in Minneapolis. Schemenauer practices in the firm's business and commercial litigation group, handling complex litigation including shareholder disputes, construction, real estate, employment, intellectual property and product liability disputes. He earned a J.D., magna cum laude, at Hamline University School of Law. He is a member of the Minnesota Army National Guard, and he has served in the military for nearly 25 years, including tours of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan.

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Cassandra "Sonna" (Evenson) Fredriksen, Safety Harbor, Florida, graduated from Stetson University College of Law in December 2014. She passed the Florida bar exam in 2015 and started a new career as an attorney in the general counsel's office of Healthesystems. She accomplished this all with the loving support of her husband and fellow UWL alum, Jeff Fredriksen, '00.

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Christa Baldrige, Lisbon, has received the Milwaukee Business Journal's 40 Under 40 awards for 2016. The award honors those under the age of 40 making a significant difference in the local business community. Baldrige has more than 15 years of experience providing tax planning, consulting and compliance services to privately held businesses and individuals, with a concentration in serving the manufacturing and distribution, and trucking and logistics industries.

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Amy Huchthausen, Cambridge, Massachusetts, commissioner of the America East Conference, has been named one of Sports Business Journal's 40 Under 40 honorees. The award recognizes executives under the age of 40 for excellence and innovation in their careers. Huchthausen was also honored as a Game Changer by SportsBusiness Journal in 2015.

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Melissa Vevea, Blain, Minnesota, opened her own gymnastics club in 2006. She has produced state and regional champions, along with westerns qualifiers. Vevea started with seven gymnasts and now has more than 500 in the program, 60 in the competitive track. She continues her work as a freelance writer, covering U.S. National Gymnastics Championships, U.S. Olympic Trials, World Championships (London, Scotland), Olympics (Beijing), Country Music Awards (Nashville) and US Figure Skating Championships (St. Paul). Vevea is in the process of writing a book and attending the Haven Writing Retreat in Summer 2016. She lives in the Twin Cities with her three dogs. She enjoys travelling, horseback riding, skijoring and spending time at their Northshore cabin.

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Scott E. Erickson, Cameron, has accepted a job as a physical education teacher at Barron High School.

Mel Kleist, Palatine, Illinois, became executive director of the iconic East Bank Club in 2016.

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Lisa I. Smith, Blaine, Minnesota, has been teaching at North Hennepin Community College since 2008 and was awarded tenure in 2012. Smith was recently awarded the system's highest honor of MNSCU Educator of the Year in 2015.

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Thomas Wan, Cornelius, North Carolina, reports that his degree from UWL has really helped jump start his career. He started in July 2013 with Trane Co. in La Crosse as a credit and collections analyst. He has promoted twice to senior financial analyst now in the Davidson corporate location. "Thanks, UWL," he says.

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Timothy Lomeli, Waukesha, is a teaching assistant and master's student in the master of arts in language, literature and translation program at UW-Milwaukee. He hopes to graduate in May 2017.

Haley Miller, Waunakee, took a year off of school after graduating last May. She is currently serving as an AmeriCorps nutrition educator with the Farm to School Program in Madison. The program works to decrease childhood obesity by helping to build healthy eating habits and increase access to fresh, local foods in the schools. In fall, Miller plans to attend the University of Minnesota Twin Cities to pursue a master's in public health, with a major in community health promotion. She hopes to continue educating people about the importance of leading a healthy life.

FACULTY/STAFF REMEMBERED

Teresa “Teri” Faulkner, 64, of Onalaska died Jan. 26, 2016. She taught at Western Illinois University in Macomb for two years, then at the UWL as a tenured associate professor until 1999. From 1999 on she served as Middle School Reading Specialist and District Reading Specialist in Onalaska until retiring in 2012. Memorials may be given to Onalaska United Methodist Church, Gundersen Lutheran Medical Foundation or the Continuing Education Fund, P.E.O. - Chapter DC.

David Roger Howard died Feb. 19, 2016. Following post-doctorate work at Emory University School of Medicine, Howard was an assistant professor of biology at Truman State University. In 1999, he moved to La Crosse to join the UWL Biology Department, focusing as a cell biologist and microscopist. He worked to revamp the cell biology lecture and laboratory course, and served as chair from 2009-13. Memorials may be given to an endowed scholarship established in his name through the UWL Foundation, P.O. Box 1148, La Crosse, WI 54602.

Karin Sandvik of Madison died Dec. 30, 2015. Sandvik shared her love of learning and of books with libraries at Kenyon College (Gambier, Ohio), the University of Kentucky (Lexington), and UWL, retiring as the Collections Development Librarian at Murphy Library in 2001. Memorials may be earmarked for the Karin Sandvik Reading Room at Murphy Library, UWL Foundation, P.O. Box 1148, La Crosse, WI 54602.

W. Carl Wimberly, 91, died Tuesday, March 29, 2016. Wimberly joined UWL in 1953 as a professor of political science. In 1959, he became dean of the College of Arts, Letters and Sciences. He served in this position until 1973 when he was named vice chancellor, a position he held until retiring in 1992. A tribute to his influence and involvement was the naming of Wimberly Hall in 2000. Wimberly remained active in retirement, serving on various campus councils and selection committees. Memorials may be given to the Barbara and Carl Wimberly Scholars Fund, UWL Foundation, P.O. Box 1148, La Crosse, WI 54602.

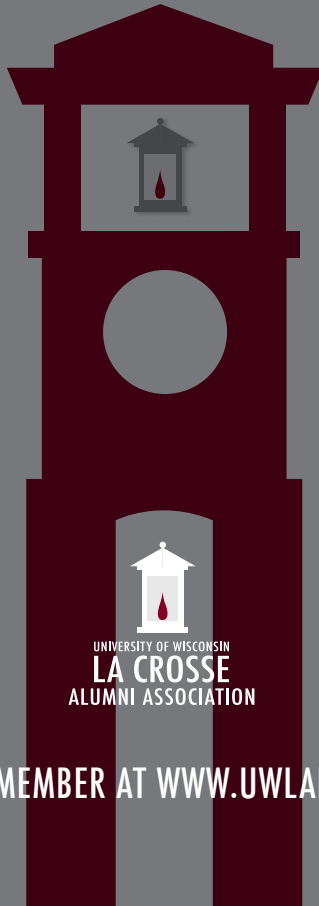
ALUMNI REMEMBERED

1949 — Carol Baysinger, Frederick, Maryland
1951 — Anthony “Tony” A. Boullion, Onalaska
1951 — Mary Jane Buss, Clinton
1952 — C. Ashley Ellefson, Cortland, New York
1955 — Claude Deck, Onalaska
1958 — Marion Wozney, Independence
1961 — Dale R. Borreson, Sparta
1961 — Ronald L. Knorr, Appleton
1962 — Girard R. “Jerry” Johnson, Pepin
1963 — Caroline Ann Isler-Nerud, La Crosse

1964 — Marlyce M. Schindler-Wegner, Tomah
1964 — Richard E. Slocum, Indianapolis
1966 — Gerald Lee Pintar, Milwaukee
1969 — Jeffrey Preiss, Sheboygan
1971 — Mary Susan Uhler, Indianapolis
1974 — Gayle Irene Gerke-Naden, Warrens
1976 — Ann France Van Atta, La Crosse
2002 — Leigh Coyle Anderson, Denver
2015 — Kelly Cary, Cashton

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