Dahlgren and Price professorships awarded

Three UW-Stout faculty members have been named Dahlgren Professors, following action by the UW System Board of Regents. They are Bruce Kuehl, professor in human development, family living and community educational services; Howard Lee, B.S., B.M.S., ’69, professor of communications, education and training; and Patrick Liebergen, professor in the speech communication, foreign languages, theatre and music department.

Selection for the professorships is made on the basis of an individual’s outstanding abilities and promise. The Dahlgren Professorships are two years in length and provide $7,500. Funds for these professorships were awarded through the Stout University Foundation Inc.

The Dahlgren Professorships are in honor and memory of Reinhold and Borghild Eng Dahlgren, 1917 and 1918 Stout graduates, who, through a bequest, provided significant monies to underwrite the annual professorships. Emphasis in this award is to provide resources to improve the recipient’s teaching and may include professional travel, attendance at special meetings and conferences, supplies, equipment, books, reports, periodicals, computer time or secretarial or student help.

Charles Bomar, an associate professor in the biology department, has been named the university’s Maybelle Ranney Price Professor. The professorship is one year in length.

The professorship was established in memory of Maybelle Ranney Price, who died in 1993. Price received her bachelor’s degree in 1945 and master’s degree in 1957 from Stout. The stipend of $3,500 is used for academic pursuits that contribute to UW-Stout’s academic mission, including scholarly activities, public service and instruction.

Funds for both the Dahlgren and Price professorships are awarded through the Stout University Foundation.

Outstanding Service Award given to Brunner

Jeanette Brunner, who began work in the UW-Stout library 27 years ago, was the first recipient of the David P. and Kay Barnard Family Library Service Award. The award was established to recognize library staff members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and made outstanding contributions serving the information needs of UW-Stout faculty, staff and students.

The Barnards noted, “People are the heart and soul of a good library operation. Many times we don’t recognize the talent and abilities of our staff. The success of this library is a reflection of Joe Jax’s leadership and those who work in the library. We’re so pleased to be able to support this award.”

The Barnards established the $30,000 endowment through the Stout University Foundation. Pat Reisinger, vice chancellor for Development and Alumni Services, remarked, “This endowment is a wonderful gift which will continue to recognize the library personnel and their respective achievements. The staff is vital to the educational efforts of this campus. Every student and department utilizes and accesses information in the library often with the help of the staff. We take them for granted too often.”

Brunner is currently the senior computer technology specialist serving the Library Learning Center. She oversees and maintains nine laptops for student checkout, 160 public computers and 52 staff computers. One of her peers explained, “Without Jeanette, the library wouldn’t be able to function. She’s always willing to drop what she’s doing when a problem arises so that the problem will be fixed. She has the knowledge and expertise to do her job well and keep things running smoothly.”

Brunner is a graduate of the Madison Business College. Prior to joining the library, Brunner was employed by the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department and the Department of Transportation.

Joe Jax, director of the Library Learning Center, stated, “Jeanette is the ultimate, loyal employee and deserves the award and recognition. She has adapted to a tremendous variety of job responsibilities since she began working in the library. With her innovative leadership, the Stout library has always been number one in information access.”

Brunner thanked the Barnards, the Stout University Foundation, Joe Jax and the library staff for the award. “This job has afforded me the opportunity to work with some great people, not only the library staff but also people in many other departments including the university’s technical staff. I am honored, and I’ll continue doing what I’m doing the only way I know how until each job is done,” she said.

High tech call center in operation

Many thanks to all the alumni and parents who showed their support of UW-Stout during the 2001 Annual Fund Campaigns. Our 2002 campaigns are guaranteed to be very exciting as we move to a computerized calling system. This upgrade will ensure more efficiency in our fundraising efforts, and our student callers are eager to contact you using our new technology. Please bear with the student who contacts you, as they are just learning to navigate the new system.

Support from both alumni and parents are needed more than ever as state support decreases and university needs increase. With tuition costs rising by seven percent, students are in greater need of scholarship assistance. Sixty-five percent of undergraduate students will graduate with loans in excess of $12,000.

Your support maintains UW-Stout’s “margin of excellence” for generations to come. With scholarship support, we are able to attract talented students, and the faculty grants, professorships and chairs that continue to support faculty and staff initiatives.

Herman Arneson Applied Science Scholarship established

In honor and memory of Herman Arneson, retired biology department faculty member, family and friends have established an Applied Science Scholarship. Arneson, 95, died this past May.

He graduated from Pelican Rapids High School, received his biology degree from Northland College and earned a masters degree in entomology from the University of Minnesota. “Arne” was a committed educator for more than 40 years. He began his teaching career at Bemidji High School and then taught at Valley City Teachers College. In 1945 he moved his family to Menomonie where he taught biology, physiology and genetics at Stout until 1975.

“Arne” was active in developing the Stout University Foundation, and served as its treasurer for 15 years. “Arneson was instrumental in the formation of the foundation, and he was an excellent financial manager through those 15 years. He continued to monitor the activities of the foundation and was very proud of its successes,” Chancellor Sorenson noted.

John Murphy, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, stated “We’re honored and excited to be able to offer a scholarship in Herman Arneson’s name. He was a dedicated faculty member who loved to teach and loved helping others. This scholarship certainly will provide help to talented students majoring in applied science, the newest major at Stout.”

Individuals interested in contributing to the Herman Arneson scholarship fund may contact the Stout University Foundation at 715/232-1151.

Russell J. Lasocki Scholarship established

Russ Lasocki MS ’81 lost his battle with cancer this spring. He was a loyal employee of the university for 20 years, as a member of the Instructional Technology Services department.

In memory, friends and family members have established a Telecommunication Systems Scholarship fund. The telecommunications program at UW-Stout has an enrollment of more than 150 students. “This scholarship dedicated to students enrolled in telecommunications is an important statement related to the viability of the program, and we’re very pleased,” family and friends have restricted the scholarship to a program related to his vocation,” said Bob Meyer, dean of the College of Technology, Engineering and Management.

Russ was the epitome of a loyal employee. He appreciated the challenges of working with the latest technological equipment. One of his most interesting challenges was working on the technology plans for distance learning classrooms in Millennium Hall,” stated Chancellor Charles W. Sorenson.

The first scholarship was awarded at the September 4 scholarship awards ceremony. Contributions to the scholarship may be made to the Stout University Foundation, P.O. Box 790, Menomonie, WI 57451.

Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship Fund

In 1991, Chris Huston was the very first student to graduate with a major in construction. His family was so pleased with his experiences at UW-Stout, that Richard Huston and Glenda Taylor Huston established the Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship to honor both Chris and the construction faculty at UW-Stout. The first $1,250 scholarship was awarded in the fall of 2001. Chris and his family worked with Hans Timper, construction program director, to develop criteria for the scholarship. “The Huston’s generosity will be a great benefit for construction students at UW-Stout,” Timper said.

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A great year to give!

Tax rebates, lower income tax rates, and reduced estate tax rates as a result of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief and Reconciliation Act of 2001 (EGTRRA), have given all Americans something to cheer about this year. We all welcome the prospect of having more disposable income.

In addition to leaving more money in our pockets in the future, EGTRRA makes this a terrific year for making charitable gifts. Alumni and friends give generously to the Stout University Foundation because you believe in the mission of UW-Stout and the difference it makes in the lives of students.

We give because we believe in Stout, but we all like to maximize the tax benefits of giving. Here are a few ways to maximize your giving and tax situation before December 31, 2001:

### Donate your tax rebate
That “extra” $300 to $600 you received in late summer makes a wonderful charitable gift.
- $300 can provide an online subscription to a technical journal for faculty and students
- $500 can purchase a personalized tile for the new recreation complex at UW-Stout
- $600 can provide an annual scholarship for a student that may make it possible for him or her to complete a degree

In return, you receive a charitable tax deduction and our grateful thanks.

### Double up your giving
The first drop in income tax rates took place on July 1, 2001, when the tax rate on the first $6,000 of income for a single person and first $12,000 of income for a married couple dropped from 15 percent to 10 percent. The next drop will take place January 1, 2002, and the rates will continue to slowly decline over the next four years.

When you make a substantial contribution to UW-Stout by the end of 2001, you will receive a larger charitable tax deduction this year than next because of the higher tax rates. So, double up your giving by year end to benefit both yourself and UW-Stout.

### Give appreciated securities
Stretch the benefits of this year’s higher tax deduction even further by making your gift with appreciated securities. If you donate appreciated securities that you’ve held long-term (or more than one year) to a qualified charitable organization, you completely avoid the capital gains tax. As a non-profit organization, the Stout University Foundation can sell the securities tax-free (see chart). You receive a charitable deduction on your income taxes for the full fair market value of the asset, up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income.

#### Establish a charitable gift annuity
This year, interest rates are low and tax rates are high. By establishing a charitable gift annuity with the Stout University Foundation by the end of 2001, you can receive a great interest rate on your investment in the future of UW-Stout, and receive a substantial income tax deduction for your gift.

- A gift annuity is a contract between the donor and the Stout University Foundation that provides advantages for both. The donor makes a gift of a minimum of $25,000 to Stout University Foundation and receives the following benefits:
  - Guaranteed fixed payments for life, a portion of which is nontaxable
  - Charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the gift
  - Reduced capital gains taxes on gifts of appreciated property
  - Support of a program at UW-Stout
  - Membership in the Bowman Society
  - A reduction in federal estate taxes

EGTRRA has made this a great year to make a major gift to Stout! To learn how a gift to Stout can benefit both you and the university, please contact us using the form on this page.

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**Planned Giving Information Request Form**

- Please send me the free brochure:
  - Estates and Wills
  - Personal Financial and Gift Planning Options
  - Your Guide to Charitable Gift Annuities

- Please prepare a personal illustration of how a charitable gift annuity would benefit me:
  - $25,000
  - $50,000
  - $100,000
  - other __________

- I would like the proposal prepared for:
  - me only, my birth date is __________
  - another individual and myself, our birth dates are __________ and __________

- I have already included the Stout University Foundation in my estate plan through:
  - my will __ a trust arrangement __ an insurance policy __ other __________

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**Name (please print)**

**Telephone**

**Address**

City, State, Zip

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**This information is strictly confidential**

Please return form to:
Patti Bender, Stout University Foundation
P.O. Box 790
Menomonie, WI 54751

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**Brejcha reaches goal with annuity**

When Matt Brejcha B.S. ’51, M.S. ’57 decided to give back to Stout, he chose to do it with a charitable gift annuity.

“I had been thinking about the past and about all the good things that have happened to me,” said Brejcha. “I just needed to do something to give something back to Stout. Stout has all the things that a school should have; it’s small in size and has a great program.”

Brejcha established a charitable gift annuity for he and his wife, Patricia, as his way to give to Stout. To maximize the tax benefits of giving, he transferred publicly traded stock to the Stout University Foundation. By establishing the gift annuity with stock instead of cash, Brejcha was able to avoid part of the capital gains tax on the appreciation, and spread the tax he owed over a period of years. The gift annuity will provide he and his wife Patricia a guaranteed income for life. That income is higher than what he had been receiving in dividends from his stock. Because Brejcha is 72 and his wife is 69, they receive a rate of 6.7 percent on their investment, much better than current rates on bank CDs.

Best of all, Brejcha made an investment in UW-Stout that will benefit students in the future. He elected to direct the gift portion of his annuity to the John and Kathryn Jarvis Scholarship Fund.

When he transferred to the Stout Institute from the General Motors Institute, Brejcha was befriended by John Jarvis, then a professor at Stout. In those days, students and faculty socialized together in the student union. The two played Pinochle together, along with Dean Merle Price and others. Brejcha was also a student of Jarvis, and came to appreciate his professionalism and organization skills.

“John Jarvis was a very excellent educator,” said Brejcha. “I tried to pattern my work life after his.” Brejcha put those skills to good use as a professor at Ferris State University in Michigan. “There were five Stout grads teaching industrial arts at Ferris... and at that time we had the leading program in the nation (in automotive services).”

“We are honored that Mr. Brejcha would make such a generous gesture that will aid Stout students via the John and Kathryn Jarvis Scholarship fund. What is especially touching is that the relationship between Dad and Mr. Brejcha represents the personal, friendly and caring relationship that seemed was representative of the Stout community at that time. From our experience with members of the community, this type of spirit lives on,” Jarvis’ son, Tom, said.

Brejcha learned about charitable gift annuities through mailings from the Stout University Foundation. “The interest rates sounded good now, and it was time for me to give something back,” he said.

To learn more about charitable gift annuities with the Stout University Foundation and how they may help you achieve your financial and charitable goals, call Patti Bender at 715/232-1151, or at our toll free number, 866/716-6685.

We will be happy to prepare a no-obligation illustration showing how a charitable gift annuity can help you reach your goals.
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