Glad to be on board

It is with absolute delight that I write this column as your permanent and “official” alumni director. I can think of no other position in which I would rather be. Where else would have an opportunity to meet and work with such fantastic people? Thank you to all who offered support throughout the process!

The weekend of June 20 and 21 we welcomed the classes of ’57, ’67, ’72, ’77 and ’87 for reunion activities. Although the numbers were somewhat small, those in attendance seemed to have a terrific time, especially the class of ’57—they know how to celebrate. I had a difficult time keeping up with them throughout the weekend! From the early morning walk to the late night dance, they were on the go. I truly enjoyed meeting and visiting with each alum, from every class year. I heard some terrific stories. The one that seems to be reeled out many times over (and throughout the United States!) is that of Basil Holder jumping into the empty pool. I did some checking and had an opportunity to speak with Basil. He is still laughing about the incident and how it brought him to national television’s “I’ve Got a Secret.”

To all those who attended their reunion, thank you for helping make it a success. To those unable to attend this year, we missed you and will look forward to seeing you and making your acquaintance in the near future!

If the reunion wasn’t enough good news, keep reading. We have an incredible opportunity in which you can participate. How does April in Paris sound? We are working with Seminars International Inc., in planning a wonderful trip to France. Detailed information is provided in the column on the right. You may call our office at 715/232-1151 for additional information or with other questions.

Anytime you are passing through Menomonie, please stop in. We would love a chance to visit with you!

Board has full agenda

On behalf of the alumni association, it is with great pleasure that I welcome Sue Pittman as alumni director. For the past few months, many of us have had the opportunity to work with Sue. We have found her to be an enthusiastic promoter of UW-Stout with a sincere desire to strengthen the bonds between alumni and the university. I would suggest you take time to get in touch with her, as she would be happy to talk with you and listen to any suggestions you may have to offer.

Our fall board meeting is scheduled for Sept. 20. The agenda will include nominations for new board members as we will be losing a few current members. Watch for more detailed information, on the comings and goings, in the next issue of the Outlook. To those who have so diligently served, thank you. Thank you for your time, energy, dedication and ideas. The alumni association would never succeed but for the dedication of members like yourself. You have certainly helped to make my tenure as president run smoothly! For those who might have an interest in serving on the alumni board, please give the alumni office a call. Applications will be taken again next spring.

Also on the agenda, the discussion of our tour of France. I encourage all of you to consider this opportunity to visit France. The alumni association is in the process of updating the Alumni Directory. All alumni will be sent a questionnaire asking for information. Please return your questionnaire as soon as possible. This will ensure that your personal information will be accurately included in the new reference book.

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To order your Alumni Directory, just advise the Harris representative during your conversation. This is the only opportunity you will have to order the book.

The directory is scheduled to be released the end of April. Don’t miss your opportunity to be part of it.

April in Paris

What could be better than spending time with old (and new) friends - in Paris!

Imagine, 11 days away from the humdrum of everyday life. Join Pat Reisinger and Sue Pittman for a fun-filled, exciting, adventurous and memory-making trip to France.

You will have the opportunity to spend four days in Paris, visiting the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs Elysees, the cathedral in Chartres and local food stores, and attending the Hotel Ritz School of Cookery for a cooking (and eating) demonstration. The tour will travel to Avignon, which will include a full-day excursion to area wineries, and then on to Nice.

We would be happy to supply you with more detailed information. You may call the Alumni Office at 715/232-1151 or Seminars International Inc., at 1800/541-7506.

What will bring you back to campus?

What type of a Reunion would bring you back to campus?
Please rank the following in order of interests.

- Residence Halls
- Major
- Class Year
- Athletic Teams
- Greek Affiliates
- Theater
- Music
- Professional Organizations

What other activities would interest you?

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Reunion ’97 Activities

Reunion Giving
Overall giving for 1996-97 for reunion classes of ’57, ’67, ’72, ’77 and ’87 is $34,243. Giving directly related to reunion appeal, given out in scholarships, is $18,641. Because of your generous donations, we are able to provide several scholarships to current students. Thank you.

Honors extended

Ted Welander BS ’30 (left), shown with Roman Gill BS ’57, MS ’61, has been attending reunion activities for the past three years. Welander stated he wasn’t sure he would be able to attend this year’s reunion as he had fallen and “broke my neck last December. I had to be pinned together.” Roman said he hopes, that at age 96, he can still be attending reunions.

Della Medin Works ’57 was recognized for her efforts in volunteerism. The Distinguished Alumni Award was presented to Lyle Martens BS ’57, MS ’62 at his 40th class reunion on June 22. Mark Peddecord was this year’s recipient of the Alumni Service Award.


Glenn Harke BS ’62, MS ’65; Gary Leonard BS ’63, MS ’66; Ginny Hoeschen ’61; Dave Reisinger BS ’62, MS ’67; Joan Leonard ’64; and Pat Reisinger BS ’61, MS ’67 joined more than 230 alumni and families at Como Park for our Twin Cities Spring Fling.

Retired instructor Jean Salyer (left) enjoyed meeting and visiting with Shirley Graham ’62 and other alumni at the Twin Cities Spring Fling.


Class of 1987 (l-r) Stuart Decelles, Kevin Mals, Chancellor Sorensen, Robert Pennington, John Engels