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Alumni board rewarding experience

Greetings fellow alumni and friends of UW-Stout!

I am humbled and honored to write my first column as president of the Alumni Board of Directors.

Allow me to introduce myself to you. I am a 1984 graduate in business administration. I work for a law firm in Madison (Quarles & Brady) as a government relations adviser. That’s a fancy way of saying lobbyist. I am originally from Whitehall, and now live in Sun Prairie with my wife, Robin and our six-year-old son, Phillip.

I spent 14 years working in state government and am in my second year of lobbying, and am a very proud and loyal Stout graduate. That fondness for our institution, and a desire to be involved in the continued growth and development of Stout, prompted me to become involved as an active member of this board.

We have a terrific board with broad representation. Each member brings unique skills and experiences to serve the needs of all alumni. We have tried to channel the assembled strengths by conducting some pretty significant strategic planning to focus on how we can better meet the needs of the alumni of this fine institution.

One area where you will witness our extended service and outreach to our alumni is through our website. I would encourage you to take some time and visit. The address is www.uwstout.edu/alumni.

I would also like to draw your attention to the online alumni e-mail listing. I would like to encourage you to add your e-mail address (and website if you have one) to this list. I’ve had the pleasure of hearing from a few old friends through this listing, and it is really quite simple to sign up.

If you have any thoughts or ideas on how we can improve the services we provide, or suggestions on possible additional services, or how the alumni association can be more useful to you, please contact either alumni director Sue Pittman or myself.

I would also encourage you to contact us if you are interested in participating on the alumni board of directors. I think you will find the experience very rewarding!

In the meantime, we will do our best to continue to try and reach out to all Stout alumni and provide the services and information our alumni expect.
Grads celebrate 50th anniversary

Twenty Stout grads were present to help John ’51 and Beth ’50 Robertson Yount celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. The celebration was held August 2, 1998, on Idyl Wood Island in Door County where John and Beth own a small summer resort. Row 1 (l-r): John Yount BS ’51, MS ’61, Bill Albrecht BS ’51, MS ’52. Row 2 (l-r): Bill Teich ’78, Lisa Yount Goldney ’78, Kathy Stapleton Yount ’69, Gerry Erickson Wentorf ’50, Fred Wentorf ’50, Ruth Ann Christenson Stai ’51, Vyril Swayne Albrecht ’50 and Ruth Knevels Schaefer ’49. Row 3 (l-r): David Kessling ’70, John Yount II ’80, Lynn Goldney ’74, George Yount ’68, Wally Hammerberg BS ’49, MS ’54 and Vaughn Stai ’51. Not pictured: Norma Nelson Hammerberg ’49, Jeff Meyer ’83 and Jodi Williams Meyer ’85.

1959 housemates reunited


Christmas gathering


Hilton Milwaukee City Center

UW-Stout grads working at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center. Row 2 (l-r): Brady Aldrich ’88, director of loss prevention; Laini Trus ’95, assistant controller; and Janie Metcalf BS ’85, MS ’91, MS ’96, director of human resources. Row 2 (l-r): Tricia Kilpatrick ’94, catering manager; and Kristine Knutsen ’90, executive housekeeper. Not pictured: Terry Houdek ’74, senior sales manager; Marie Praske ’98, assistant banquet manager; Natalie Jolliek, sales intern summer 1999; and Carris Rudek, human resources intern summer 1999.

Friends forever

This group of friends has been meeting yearly since 1952. This was taken at their 47th meeting in 1999. Row 1 (l-r): Barbara Johnson Perry ’51, Charles Mowbray BS ’51, MS ’61, Jerry Solie, Marilyn Erickson Solie ’50 and Alice Billlet Ehresman ’51. Row 2 (l-r): H. Walter Weiss BS ’50, MS ’70, Nancy Heartlein Weiss ’51, Carolyn Black Mowbray ’51, Barbara Pech Unrak ’51, Anna Banker Bender ’51, Levenda Ablard Semn ’52, Lyn McCarthy, Willard McCarthy ’50.

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Nominations sought for awards

Nomination forms are now ready for the James Huff Stout, Distinguished, Outstanding and Service awards for 2000.

The Distinguished and Outstanding awards will be presented to alumni who are celebrating their reunion this year (1960, 1970, 1975, 1980 and 1990). Those graduates in the classes of ’60, ’70, ’75 and ’80 are eligible to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award, and those from the class of 1990 are eligible for the Outstanding Alumni Award. These awards will be presented during reunion activities.

The James Huff Stout award is open to UW-Stout graduates of any year, faculty, staff, administrators and former employees. The nominees should exemplify James Huff Stout’s attitude and manner. This award will be presented during homecoming activities October 7, 2000.

Friends and living graduates of UW-Stout may be nominated for the Service award. Nominees will exemplify the mission and ideal of UW-Stout in their daily lives by promoting intellectual competence, personal development and service.

Nominations for the Distinguished and Outstanding awards must be received by the alumni office at least two months prior to reunion activities, and for the James Huff Stout and Service award by August 31.

If you know of someone that should be considered for one of these awards please contact the alumni office.