Class Notes

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1970-1979
Bird Norten Derrick '70, Rigby, Idaho, has earned a master of education in human resource training and development from Idaho State University. In October she was named to a task group to write standards for beginning professional/technical educators in Idaho. James Gregerseen '71, Racine, recently com- pleted training to become a certified QS-9000 auditor. Danna Jackson '71, Ashland, has been named a member of the newly formed North Central Wisconsin Technical College as assistant manager of continuing education. Lorraine Erfling '70, Minocqua, has retired after 29 years of teaching technology education. Her last year of teaching was at South High School, Milwaukee.

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2020-2029
Clara K. Johnson '84 is a family practice physician at Wright D. Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Augu- sta, Ga. Christopher Ribba '80 is a project manager with Northland Investment Co., Eagan, Minn. She is also a sales representative for Shopko Stores, Green Bay.

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Jennifer is an executive team leader in Team Relations at Target. JoAnn Dopp ’98 is a customer service representative with Freddie Fulton and Quan-

ta, Minneapolis, and is a management trainee for Dayton Hudson Corp. Terry Perry and Angela 

Christensen Ruchti BS ’97, MS ’99, reside in the Cedar Valley, Minnesota. Metatec Corp. is an estimator/production scheduler for Fort 

Swita ’98, Apple Valley, Minn., is a QA manufacturing engineer with Medtronic, a manufacturer of endo-

scopic reprocessing machine. Eric Seminick ’98, Elk, is a project engineer for Phillips Plastics.

1999

Sara Bennett is maintenance manager at AMSCO. Rice Lake. Jason Bingham is employed in sales at Unisys, Denver, Colo. Justin Bolin is assistant general manager at Extended Stay America, Loomis, Calif. 

Lisa Foss, Menomonee Falls. ’97 to Troy Schmidt, June 7, to Dan and Stephanie Borgerding, May 18, 1999. Couple resides in Cary, N.C.


A daughter, Clare, Dec. 1, 1999, to Jeremy and Jina Strickland, 

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A daughter, Anna Margarete, March 24, 1999, to David and Julia Bacon Mundahl ’75, Loretto. 

BS ’60, Aug. 18, Zellwood, Fla. A daughter, Maria Athena Rose. Maria was born Nov. 9, 1998, and joined the family July 27, 1999.

A daughter, Maria Anna. Karin was born Apr. 25, 1999, and joined the family July 27, 1999.


Father Jim Trempe '85

accepted a position as priest for St. John the Apostle and St. Ansgar parish in Whitehall and Blair, Wis., and began duties in those parishes on Jan. 7, 1999.

Trempe graduated with a BS in industrial technology from UW-Stout, and went on to Dallas, where he worked as a manufacturing engineer with Texas Instruments until December 1988. During his time at Texas Instruments, Trempe completed a master’s degree in business administration, with an emphasis in management.

In January 1989, he moved to Wisconsin Rapids to teach quality assurance and manufacturing engineering at Mid-State Technical College. While there he began work on his master’s degree in education at UW-Stout.

Trempe left for Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, Ill., in fall of 1991, where he began his study of theology in a five-year program designed for men who have received their bachelor’s degree or higher.

The priesthood has fascinated Trempe since he was a young boy. “I would pretend to say Mass with crackers and grape juice when I was seven or eight years old,” he said. “Many of you would have liked that Mass — three minutes from beginning to end.”

Trempe was ordained to the priesthood on July 13, 1996, at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse, Wis. Since then, he has served as chaplain and instructor at Regis Cathedral in La Crosse, Wis. and has taught religion at St. Pat’s and Sacred Heart in Eau Claire and was ordained to the priesthood on July 13, 1996, at St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral in La Crosse, Wis. Since then, he has served as chaplain and instructor at Regis Cathedral in La Crosse, Wis.

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“Teaching has been both challenging and rewarding. I love the kids and the gifts that they bring,” he said.

Trempe is now serving as a pastor of churches in Whitehall and Blair, Wis., and is chaplain for area facilities including nursing homes, a health care center and the local hospital.

“I will always feel blessed for the great education, the wonderful people and the experiences I have had in my life. Stout played a big part in allowing me to have such experiences,” he said. “I have never been happier than I am now serving our Lord Jesus Christ as priest.”

Sara Ramore-Short ’84

owns and operates the Sandhill Inn with her husband in Merrimac, Wis. The restaurant is located in a Victorian-style home that was built around 1896 by the local blacksmith, and doubles as the family’s home.

Before opening the Sandhill Inn in 1989, Short worked for the Hyatt Regency Hotel at their Lake Tahoe and the Chateau of the Rees, where she met her husband, Paul, in Lake Tahoe before they were transferred to Chicago.

After two years at the Chicago Hyatt, Short and her husband decided to leave the city and open a restaurant of their own. They looked through all of Wisconsin, and eventually decided on Merrimac. “This was an area we kept coming to, and when we were here we could not find a restaurant we wanted to eat at,” Short said.

With Lodi, Sauck City and Portage nearby, the Sandhill Inn is located among a population of about 40,000 in the immediate area. “Madison is an unexpectedly big draw for us though, bringing in about 75 percent of our customers,” she said.

As early as high school, Short was preparing for her role today. “I had the house to myself for a matter of minutes, I would have people over,” she said. “I always want to see people having a good time.”

During her time at UW-Stout, Short recalls working as a waitress at the Haute Cuisine meals and traveling to Europe with Teresa Schulz, from the hospitality and tourism department. “I enjoyed going,” she said. “Teresa is just a really great lady and easy going,” she said.

Short’s husband is attending UW-Stout through distance learning, and is currently working on his degree while teaching at the Madison Area Technical College.

Molka Quinn Leite ’79, was presented with the prestigious Distinguished Alumni Award during reunion and homecoming activities in October 1999. The annual award recognizes a Stout alumna who exemplifies the objectives of the university by outstanding professional accomplishments and significant contributions to society.

Following her graduation in 1979, Leite worked as an interior designer for the Dayton-Hudson Corporation and subsequently founded her own design firm—M. Quinn Designs Incorporated. She is the recipient of many design awards including the Edison Lighting Award for her design of the Scholes Fine Art Gallery and Showroom in 1986, an Interior Design Award for small contract space from the Minnesota chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers in 1988, and an Edwin F. Guth Award from the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America for innovations in the design of Gloria Jeans Coffee Bean retail kiosk in 1990.

Currently a resident of Annandale, Va., Leite has been active in numerous community activities. Within the Fairfax County 4-H program, she was a founder of the Amicable Community 4-H Club. A member of the Fairfax 4-H Association since 1995, she is currently serving as its chair. In 1996, she designed the Fairfax County 4-H Mascot, Cleverbuddy, who has appeared at civic and 4-H events throughout Fairfax County and Virginia.

Her philosophy was “learning through involvement” and was the basis on which UW-Stout was founded. Rosmait received both his bachelor’s degree in industrial education and master’s degree in educational foundation professors in the States. Rosmait was recently honored with the AFS Directors Award from the Foundry Educational Foundation. The award identifies Rosmait as the 1998-99 FEF Professor of the year. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has also had the honor of working with Rosmait. He has spent a number of summers as a part of the Summer Faculty Fellowship program and has worked with the Engineering Cost Office at the Marshall Space Flight Center, where he assisted NASA engineers in efforts to reduce the cost of access to space.

Tom Roth ’88, has been named director of marketing for the new Indianapolis Marriott Downtown, scheduled to open in the spring of 2001.

As director of marketing, Roth is responsible for overseeing all marketing and sales efforts of the 615-room establishment. The hotel will encompass more than 40,000 square-feet of meeting space, including the city’s largest hotel ballroom with 20,600 square-feet, 26 luxury suites, concierge lounge, indoor pool, health club, full service restaurant and Champion’s Sports Bar.

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