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George W. Schubert, Grand Forks, North Dakota, had a book published, "Striving for Peace: Coping with Death." The book is meant to help widows/widowers and those who have lost a parent. This is the second book in a series of three pertaining to the death of a spouse. The first book, "A Living Angel: Arline F. Schubert," focuses on the difficulties of the living spouse during the first year after death. The second book focuses on the second year of the living spouse after death of the partner, while the third is scheduled to be published in 2019. Schubert is dean and professor emeritus at the University of North Dakota.

'76

Jim Hill, La Crosse, retired April 30, 2018,

after 35 years as executive director of the La Crosse Area Development Corp. In his retirement announcement Hill expressed appreciation being "in the beloved La Crosse area arena for these many years," along with working with "many great people" in the area. Hill plans to help care for his 99-year-old father, Merle, and spend more time managing the Hill Farm near Tomah, his family's business for more than 150 years.

Brenda Loube, St. Petersburg, is co-owner of Corporate Fitness Works, a corporate fitness and wellness pioneer that has reached its 30-year milestone. Loube



(right) and co-founder
Sheila Drohan (left)

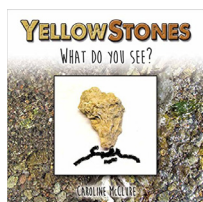
have this advice about business success: "When making decisions, focus on your business' true purpose. Goals can be refined, but values should never change." The company started when only a handful of corporations invested in employee wellness and fitness. Today, Corporate Fitness Works has more than 700 employees and manages fitness centers around the country, while remaining true to its values: improving people's lives and creating career opportunities for industry professionals.

'77

Leo A. Steiner, River Falls, retired Jan. 1, 2018, after 32 years as a city planner, the last 28 years with the City of River Falls. Steiner says he's looking forward to the "next phase of life."

'78

Caroline McClure, Yellowstone National Park, Wyoming, has published her first book, “Yellow Stones: What Do You See?”



about her love of rocks and passion for curiosity. (Available on Amazon.com.) McClure has been working and playing in Yellowstone for the past 14 years. Back on campus, she's also remembered for UWL's 75th anniversary logo design.

'79

Scott Gilbertson, Pearland, Texas, is the M.D. Anderson Professor at the University of Houston. Gilbertson was elected a fellow of the American Chemical Society in 2017.

'81

Rick Hefner, Arbor Vitae, owns a small gym in northern Wisconsin. He loves the Northwoods and all the lakes in the area (more than 1,100 in Vilas County). While he's not swimming much anymore, he's still bike racing after 40-plus years.

'83

Peggy Seegers-Braun, Waukesha, '83 & '97, has been athletic director for the past 30 years at Divine Savior Holy Angels High School in Milwaukee. She was named the 2017 Wisconsin Athletic Director Association Athletic Director of the Year. Seegers-Braun is the current president of the organization, the third woman to serve as president in the organization's 52 years.

'84

Tim Devine, Eau Claire, will be retiring from full-time teaching June 1, 2018, after 34 years of teaching and coaching in the Colfax School District. “I tried my best to challenge my students with a rigorous curriculum, just the right amount of humor, and the patient understanding of my mentor - Rollo Taylor,” says Devine.

'89

John Weinzierl, Jamestown, North Dakota, was named “Professor of the Year 2018” at the University of Jamestown. This is his second professor of the year award — Weinzierl was named professor of the year at his previous higher education institution, Lyon College in Batesville, Arkansas.

'98

Kerri A. Gleesing, Big Bend, is proud of her twin girls, Reese and Rylie Gleesing, who



represented the U.S. at the BMX Worlds competition in South Carolina last year. In June they were scheduled to head to Baku Azerbaijan to represent the U.S. again, two of only three 8-year-olds going.

Brad Pittman, '98 & '99, Andover, Kansas, was recognized by Visit Wichita with its annual distinguished service award in February 2018. The award recognizes an individual who has significantly given of their time in making Wichita a better place for visitors and

residents. Pitman, associate athletic director at Wichita State University, was a driving force to the university's hosting NCAA's men's basketball rounds 1 & 2 in Wichita at Intrust Bank Arena in March 2018. He was responsible for everything from officials and players to food offerings, trademarks and budgets.

'06

Chelsea O'Neil Karcher, Madison, co-founded the Center for Community Healing in Madison to provide high-quality therapy to people with marginalized or misunderstood identities. Karcher is an art therapist and social justice educator specializing in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer identities, currently serving 95 percent LGBTQ clients and 90 percent identifying as

transgender or gender non-conforming. She received a master's in transpersonal counseling psychology: art therapy from Naropa University in Boulder, Colorado, and has spent much of her professional career working to stop violence against women and LGBTQ+ people, providing allyship education, organizing for racial justice, and advocating for reproductive rights.

'08

Carolyn (Smith) Becker, Denton, Texas, has been selected by NAFSA: Association of International Educators as the sole recipient for the 2018 National Rising Star Young Leader Award, the highest recognition conveyed to a young professional in the profession. She received the corresponding regional award (NAFSA Region III) last fall. The

award winners from all 12 NAFSA regions were then nominated for the national award. NAFSA is the leading professional organization for international education. She received the national award in May 2018 at the NAFSA annual conference in Philadelphia.

'12

Sean A. Mobley, Bellevue, Washington, is the docent services specialist at The Museum of Flight in Seattle. He's using skills honed through his communication studies major and has successfully launched a podcast for one of the top air and space museums in the world. It was heard more than 2,000 times in just a few weeks throughout a dozen countries.

'16

Dean R. Eisold, Hudson, has been recognized by the

Minnesota Society of Certified Public Accountants as one of the state's newest CPAs. He completed the CPA exam and met the Minnesota requirements to earn the CPA certificate. He was recognized at the MNCPA Spring Recognition Dinner in Minnetonka in May.

Alison Susa, center, Conway, Arkansas, has received the Arkansas Athletic Trainers Association "Call of Duty Award" with colleague Aaron Smith, right, and student Jacob Riba. The trio



ran to the aid of a basketball player who became unconscious and unresponsive during a workout last fall. They used an AED and CPR to revive the player, who eventually

received an implanted defibrillator and is recovering under the care of a cardiologist.

'17

Jonathan "Jack" R. Flinchum, Waunakee,



is pursuing a doctorate in organizational science and master's in industrial/organizational psychology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He anticipates completing both by May 2022.

FACULTY & STAFF *remembered*

LARRY CLARK

Laurence “Larry” E. Clark, 72, of La Crosse, died March 14, 2018, at Gundersen Health System in La Crosse. Clark, '69 & '96, worked with the La Crosse Police Department after graduating until 1988 when he became the Chief

of Police at UWL, a position he held for 10 years. He then worked part-time for the La Crosse County Sheriff's Department and as a Deputy Medical Examiner. In 2000, Clark began serving as a parish staff minister at Mt.

Calvary Lutheran Church in La Crosse. He received ministry certification from Martin Luther College in 2005. He is survived by his wife and three children, and their families.

TOM HOOD

Thomas Lee Hood, 78, Shorewood and La Crosse, died May 5, 2018. Hood served in Division of Student Affairs from 1965-2000,

retiring as associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs. He is survived by his wife, Margie, and a daughter. Memorials may be given to

the Tom Hood Scholarship at the UWL Foundation, 615 East Ave. N., La Crosse, WI 54601 or go to uwlax.edu/foundation.

WAYNE KAUFMAN

Wayne S. Kaufman, 89, died March 17, 2018. He was a faculty member in the Department of Men's Physical Education and the Department of Physical Education from 1967 until retiring in 1991. Kaufman was the first department chair of the

combined Physical Education Department from 1975-1983. Prior to 1975 there was a Department of Women's Physical Education and a Department of Men's Physical Education. He was chair in 1978 when the department had its peak enrollment of

more than 1,500 students. Kaufman coached the women's softball team from 1985-87, compiling an overall 66-38 record. In 1992, he was inducted to the College of HPER Wall of Excellence. He is survived by a daughter and son.

DICK TINAPP

Richard Tinapp, 83, died April 14, 2018. Tinapp began his 22-year career at UWL in 1968 when he accepted a position to teach Theatre and Speech. In addition to teaching, he chaired the department for three

years and served as interim associate dean for the College of Arts, Letters and Sciences. Tinapp founded UWL's Summerstage program that continues today. After retiring in 1994, he and his wife, Jean, spent the next 15

years as RV-ers traveling the country, enjoying live theatre and taking their grandchildren on camping trips. He is survived by his wife and daughter.

ALUMNI *remembered*

1952 — Margaret Ramsey Schroeder, Mound, Minnesota

1963 — Donald B. Robertson, Salem, North Carolina

1968 — Pamela Schaetzel, Sarasota, Florida

1969 & 1996 — Larry Clark, La Crosse

1969 — Karen Cowles, Ross, California

1983 — Beverly A Mickelson, Portland, Oregon

2014 — Ethan Jeffrey Monson-Dupuis, Greenfield

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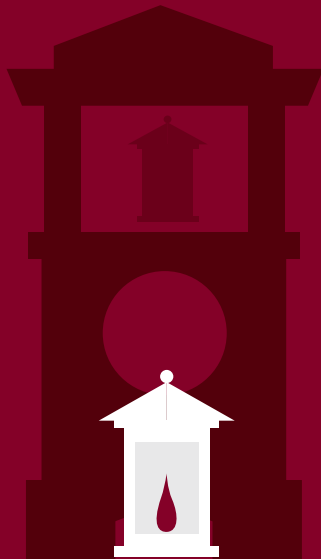


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