

NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY Northern TODAY

SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABILITY AND THE ECONOMY

Evelyn Roberts

"A teacher affects eternity; she can
never tell where her influence stops."

-- Henry Brooks Adams

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The past eight months I have had the privilege of serving as your Interim President. The experience has been phenomenal, stretching me professionally and inspiring me to think about my future career. I have jokingly told many from the Aberdeen community that they were bound and determined to make me successful! I have felt from day one that this wonderful community, including the campus, would not allow me to fail. For your never ending support, I thank you from the bottom of my heart.



Spending time with outstanding students, faculty, alumni and community members has given me a whole new perspective on NSU. As I've told many, when I arrived on campus last summer I had no idea that I would fall in love with Northern, and fall in love, I did. As I have worked with the campus in preparing for the next President, we reflected on Northern's unique qualities and how we might better capitalize on these to define the campus and recruit the best and brightest students.

We developed a marketing plan and have discussed strengthening many aspects of the university including distance education, Rising Scholars and E-learning, international programs, and technology-enhanced learning, to name a few. Each day I tried to keep my promise to the faculty...that we would keep moving forward and have a positive and productive year. I hope, in retrospect, we all can agree that this was in fact the case.

*"I leave you with this message.
Northern has a very bright future!"*

While Northern has much strength, at the top of the list is the support received from alumni and friends. Through the Wolf PACT scholarship, Northern has experienced two years of growth and the future enrollment picture looks promising. According to our admissions staff, early indicators for the fall semester are positive with the number of applications

and acceptances higher than they were last year at this time. I predict fall enrollment to be up again for the third straight year. Some of this growth may in fact be due to the economy but a more significant reason rests with the Wolf PACT. By offering a four-year guaranteed scholarship based on incoming ACT score, we are competitive across the region and can attract some very strong students. During these troubling financial times, supporting the NSU scholarship program is top priority. Thank you for whatever you can do to keep this strong.

I leave you with this message...NSU has a very bright future. On July 1 we will welcome President James Smith and Dr. Connie Smith to campus. Jim and I are working together daily as we begin a smooth Presidential transition. Dr. Smith brings a wealth of expertise and is excited to begin his new position. Beyond that, I really like him...he is a warm, friendly and passionate man. Very soon NSU will be announcing a new Provost who will assume Dr. Clyde Arnold's place as he moves into retirement. These two key leadership positions, along with a new Dean of Business, Director of the Library, and Director of Extended Studies will provide abundant new energy and ideas for future growth.

As the university transitions through this era of change, join me in supporting our new leadership, as I know you will. Thank you for all you have done to make my year here so wonderful. I will miss you all but please know I will stay in touch and be supporting you from somewhere Southeast of Aberdeen!

- LAURIE STENBERG NICHOLS

Laurie Stenberg Nichols



"Northern State has great community support...is friendly and warm with superb opportunities..."



Dr. James M. Smith will officially take the helm as the 16th president of Northern State University on July 1, 2009. Smith and his wife Connie bring a vast collection of experiences and knowledge to lead Northern State to a strong and successful future.

Smith, who describes the institution as a warm and inviting, student-centered institution with great value for the overall education experience, is looking forward to his new position and becoming a member of the Aberdeen community.

"Northern State has great community support, great interest in broad-based economic development, and is friendly and warm with superb opportunities to tie the university with the community and the community with the university!" said Smith. "It is the essence of what I have seen and believe. I have traveled to many institutions throughout my career and the relations between university and community are as strong as they get."

Smith, who currently serves as vice president for economic development at Bowling Green State University, succeeds Dr. Patrick Schloss who resigned in 2008 to become president of Valdosta State University in Georgia.

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About Northern State University
Northern State University is a premier residential, liberal arts institution characterized by outstanding instruction, extraordinary community relations, and unparalleled co-curricular opportunities. In August of 2008 NSU was named by US News and World Report as one of the best undergraduate public institutions in the Midwest. For more information about NSU, visit our Web site at www.northern.edu.



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A DIFFERENT WAY TO LEARN

A small office in Lincoln Hall is bringing together students from four South Dakota universities with one goal in mind – learning.

“Online learning allows the instructor to provide students information, give them some boundaries and guide them as they learn. It is a very rewarding experience both for me personally and professionally.”



PROFESSOR STAN VINSON, Faculty, Banking and Financial Services

A DIFFERENT WAY TO LEARN

Beginning this spring, Banking and Financial Services Professor Stan Vinson transformed his Regulations and Compliance Banking course into a total online experience.

While Vinson has never personally met his students he visits with them everyday.

“This is not your normal classroom lecture, and this style of teaching and learning is not for everyone,” says Vinson. “Online learning allows the instructor to provide students information, give them some boundaries and guide them as they learn. It is a very rewarding experience for me both personally and professionally.”

Two of the students taking the seven week class are from NSU, the rest are from Black Hills State, South Dakota State and the University of South Dakota.

One student taking the class is Marilyn Maloney. The Aberdeen attorney found the idea of an online class intriguing and has been impressed with what she has experienced.

“When I learned about the course I was curious to see how it would work,” said Maloney. “Once I got going it didn’t take long for this “non-trad” to get comfortable navigating the Web site. It has been an interesting experience.”

It took Vinson nine months to develop the first online banking class and as the demand for this type of learning grows, so too will the number of courses offered online by NSU. Currently Northern offers 25 online classes.



BARNETT CENTER EXPANSION

Planning is in process for an addition to the NSU Barnett Center. The 22,000 square-foot addition, on the southwest side of the building, is to include locker rooms, an expanded weight room and office space.

The three-phase, two-story addition will cost \$2.3 to \$3 million, all from donations. The Barnett Center was built in 1986.

NEW LABS COMING TO CAMPUS

When classes begin in the fall, NSU students will be learning in brand new science and geo-science laboratories. The labs will be located in Mewaldt Jensen and the Administration building on campus. In 2008 the South Dakota Legislature approved \$74.5 million for science facility renovations at university campuses. Remaining funding was made possible from the Higher Education Facilities Funds (HEFF) and student fees. The last upgrade to the science labs in Mewaldt Jensen took place in 1963-64.

MUSIC EDUCATOR'S GATHER IN BROOKINGS

Music educator's from across the state gathered in Brookings for the annual South Dakota Music Educator's Conference in February. The NSU Symphonic Band, under the direction of Dr. Boyd Perkins, was the final performance of the annual event. Guest soloist performing with the Symphonic Band included Dr. Robert Spring, clarinetist from Arizona State University. Spring was joined by Dr. Alan LaFave (BA' 85) of NSU to perform a duo with the band

NSU – ON THE AIR

Be You. Be Us. Be Northern. is the theme of a new marketing campaign promoting NSU across the region. The campaign features new television and radio spots, advertising in malls, movie theaters, interstate billboards and on Web sites. As part of this effort a new look for Northern State's Web site will be unveiled in August. The plan is being coordinated by the Office of University Relations. To view a copy of the tv and radio spot visit the Web site at www.northern.edu



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AND HALL OF FAME HONOREE'S NAMED

*A leader in business and the classroom will be honored as Distinguished Alumni during **The NSU Gypsy Day Festivities** October 10, 2009 in Aberdeen.*

NAMED DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI INCLUDE

Dan Culey, BA '69 — is a retired banker and president, chairman of the board and CEO for FMB Bankershares, Inc. Evelyn Roberts

(Posthumously), Cert. '38, B.S. '64, M.S. '85 — is a graduate of NSU who went on to become a professor of biology from 1965 — 1985. Scheduled to be inducted into the NSU Athletic Hall of Fame include Keith Moore

— B.S. '90, Ronda (Grieben) Flynn - B.S. '85, Monique (Whitney) Ryckman — '87 and Mike Carda — B.S. '89. Kathy Graves - B.S. '75 has been named the honoree of the Jim Kretchman Coaching Award.

FINE ARTS REUNION

Northern State University School of Fine Arts will be partnering with the NSU Alumni Association for the first ever fine arts all-school reunion May 1-2, 2009.

THE WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

include Artapaloosa, a jazz swing dance, fine arts alumni gathering, musical theater performance, brunch, campus tours, and the Berggren Gala Concert featuring alumni, faculty, and special guest artists including Bob Spring, past president of the International Clarinet Association.

For more information contact the NSU Alumni Office at 605-626-2550 or at nsualumni@northern.edu.

FRIDAY, MAY 1

Artapaloosa, 5 – 8 p.m., Campus

Jazz Swing Dance

7:30 – Midnight, Ward Hotel Ballroom
\$10 – adult, \$5 – college students, Free – K-12 students

SATURDAY, MAY 2

All School Alumni Brunch

10:30 a.m. – 12 noon, Student Center
\$10 – per person

Campus Tours

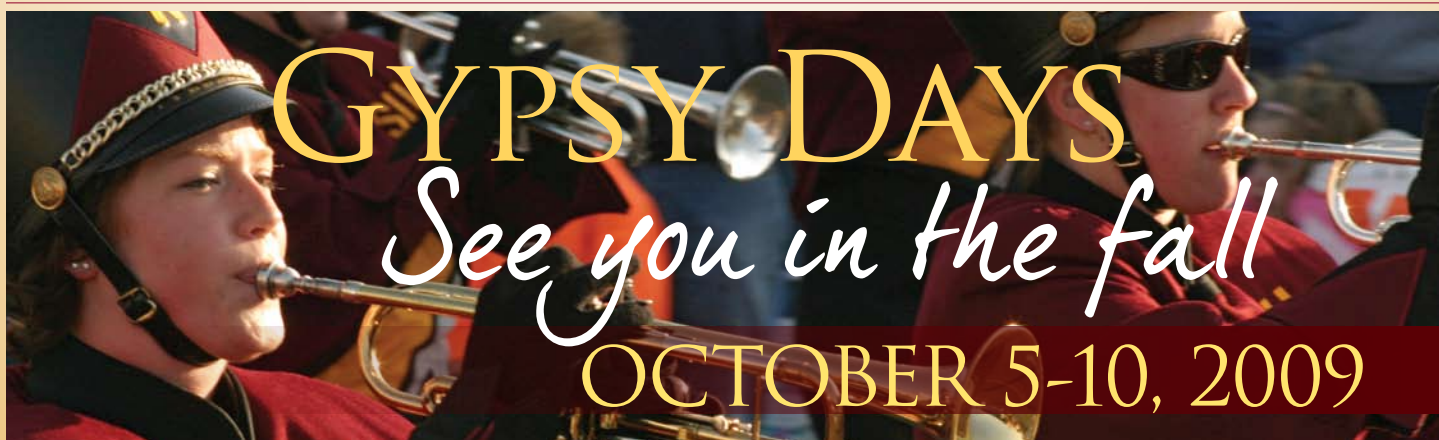
11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Originating and concluding at the Student Center

All School Gathering

3:30 p.m., Homes of Craig & Bonnie Golz and the late Richard Niebuhr
Including gallery shows featuring NSU alumni and faculty art works, musical theater production, and hors d'oeuvres.

Berggren Gala Concert

7:30 p.m., JFAC Main Theater
\$25 – General Admission



INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATION

Recognizing the need to provide educational opportunities not typically available to students in the traditional academic setting, South Dakota has established an internship program to acquaint students with both the formal and informal aspects of the legislative process.

INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATION

EACH YEAR 22 STUDENTS ARE CHOSEN to intern for the South Dakota Legislative session, and this year not only have seven students from NSU been selected, two of the interns are international exchange students from South Korea.



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DOHUI KIM



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JIYEON PARK

DOHUI KIM, originally from Busan, South Korea, came to South Dakota in 2006 to pursue degrees in business and finance with a minor in economics after earning a degree in International Relations from her home university. She is working with Assistant House Majority Leader, Representative Kristi Noem. She applied for the internship because she was interested in how the legislature in the U.S. was different from those in Korea. She also thought it would be the perfect opportunity to meet people and experience new things.

"I wanted to learn how the legislative session in the states is different from in Korea, and I thought that this opportunity would be a perfect chance to meet lots of great people. Of course it turned out to be true," said Dohui.

JIYEON PARK, who is originally from Seoul, South Korea, came to the U.S. as an exchange student 2007 and transferred to NSU in the fall of 2008. She graduated from NSU in December, 2008.

After working in Senator Tim Johnson's office last summer, Jiyeon became interested in politics and wanted to learn more about the legislative process, and though she had already set up a job as a journalist in New York, she decided that working with the S.D. Legislature would help prepare her for her new career. She is working with Senator's Sandy Jerstad, Pam Merchant, Ryan Maher and Ben Nesselhuf.

"I like to attend the Senate sessions where you can feel the passion of senators," said Jiyeon. "The atmosphere is really exciting although sometimes it is long hours. I am learning all the time and everyday feels so new for that reason."

Though their time with NSU is drawing to a close, both Jiyeon and Dohui will have fond memories of their time in Aberdeen.

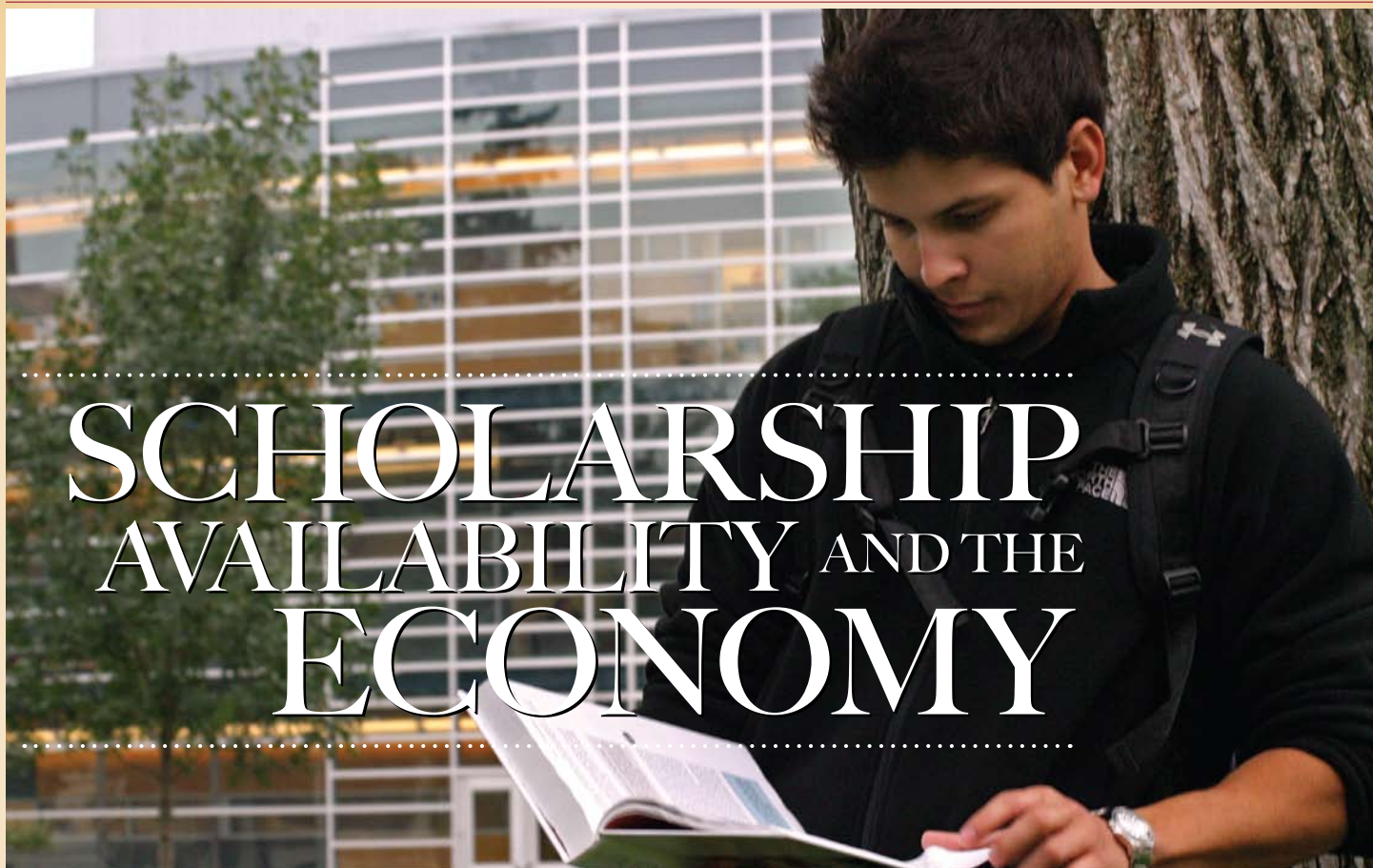
"NSU has been an incredible opportunity for me to experience more about American culture and learn business knowledge. I've enjoyed every single semester at NSU," says Dohui.

Jiyeon adds that she will miss NSU and the people that she has met here, terribly.

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In order to qualify for an internship Jiyeon and Dohui had to be enrolled at an accredited college or university. They were also required to submit an application and send it, along with their college transcripts, to the Legislative Research Council. Their selection was based upon academic competence, work experience, letters of recommendation, interest and maturity.

As the region deals with the effects of the current economy, and the adversity facing higher education, competition and availability remain the name of the game.



SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABILITY AND THE ECONOMY

COLLEGE IS AN IMPORTANT INVESTMENT in a student's future, and with the tough economic times, it is more important now more than ever to ensure access and affordability to students and their families.

The Wolf PACT scholarship program continues to be one of the most progressive in the state, and there is no doubt that it attracts students to NSU that would have considered enrolling elsewhere, or that would not have been able to afford higher education. There are approximately 420 current NSU students who are recipients of a Wolf PACT Scholarship including the 201 incoming freshman who took advantage of the program last fall.

Kenzie Kleinsasser is an incoming freshman from Huron, S.D. With NSU being one of her top choices for college, the availability of the Wolf PACT Scholarship was definitely a factor in her decision. "I wanted to attend NSU because of the beautiful campus, the availability of programs and the outstanding faculty," said Kenzie. "Receiving a Wolf PACT Scholarship made my decision easy. The additional money will be a huge benefit."

Currently students with a composite ACT score of 28 or higher qualify for \$2,500 annually, with \$1,500 awarded to students with scores ranging from 24-27, and \$1,000 based

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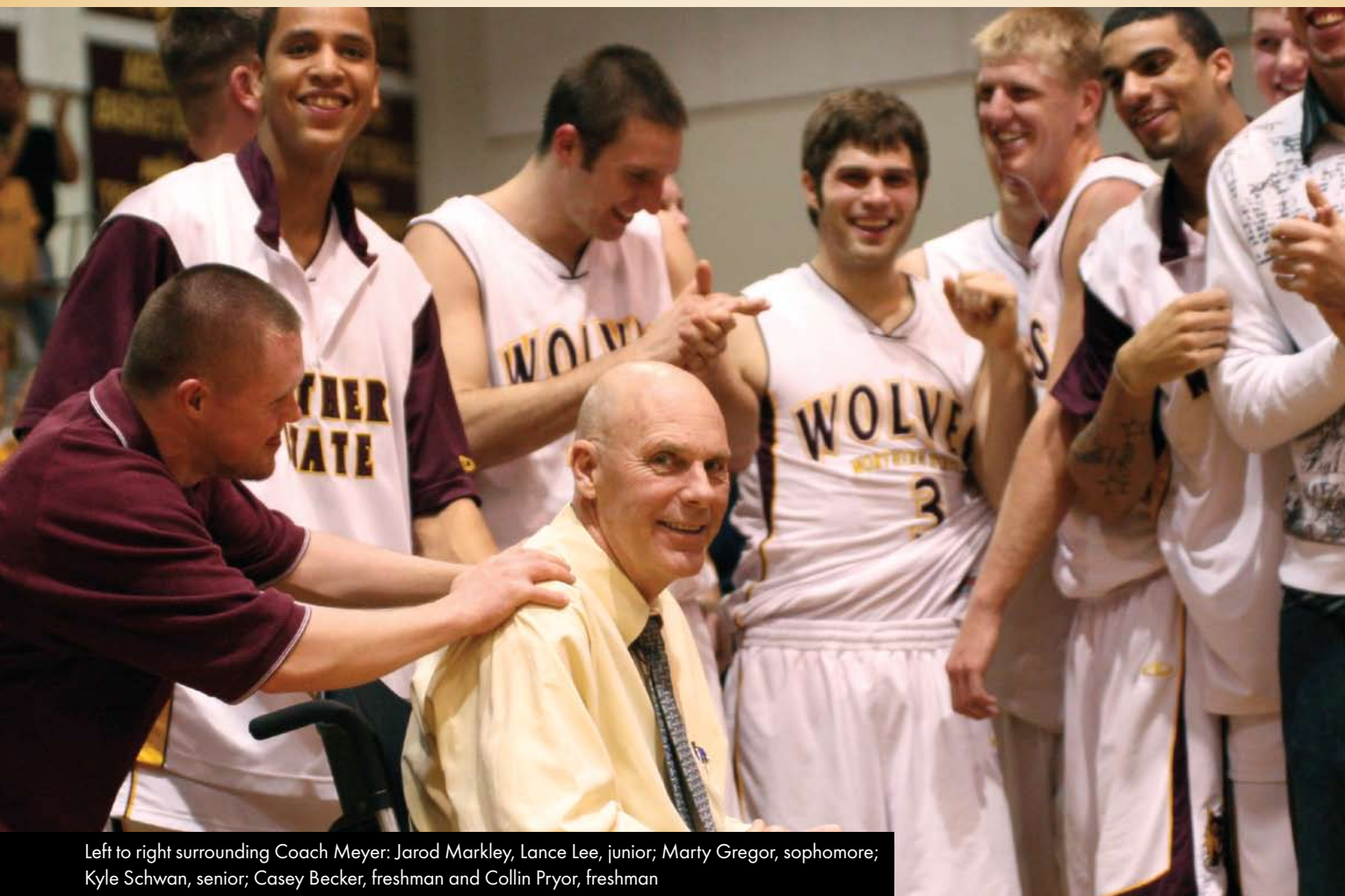
on a score of 21-23. This program enables any family whose child has taken his or her ACT to immediately access the Wolf PACT program and determine how much scholarship they are eligible for.

"The Wolf PACT Scholarship has increased the awareness of NSU in students receiving higher ACT scores, and is currently recognized by high school counselors and parents as the best program in the state." said Allan Vogel, director of admissions.

As the region deals with the effects of the current economy, and the adversity facing higher education, competition and availability remain the name of the game. Continued contributions to NSU are a sign of assurance and understanding of the issues that face today's college students. Your continued support of this progressive program will help to ensure a future for NSU students.

COACH DON MEYER

Northern State coach Don Meyer's numbers don't need any explanation – they speak for themselves.



Left to right surrounding Coach Meyer: Jarod Markley, Lance Lee, junior; Marty Gregor, sophomore; Kyle Schwan, senior; Casey Becker, freshman and Collin Pryor, freshman

- 1,220 games (as of March 14, 2009) as a head coach, covering a span of 36+ years.
- More than 48,800 minutes of game coaching time. That translates to more than 813 hours, or nearly 34 entire days on the sidelines.
- An NCAA all-division, all-time record 911 career wins, a number that puts him atop a list that includes the likes of Bob Knight, Adolph Rupp, Dean Smith and Herb Magee.
- An overall career record of 910-308 and a career winning percentage of .747.
- A 10-year span in which his teams averaged more than 32 wins per season while at Lipscomb University (Tenn.)
- Six straight (and counting) 20-win seasons at Northern.
- Only one player in 36+ years who did not complete his degree.

But it's the categories that can't be measured by numbers that are perhaps the most telling of a storied career that spans nearly four decades.

- A faith that allows the 64-year-old to call a car accident on Sept. 5 - an accident that resulted in the loss of part of his left leg - nothing short of a blessing.
- The grit and determination to work his way back to the sidelines for Northern State's season opener less than three months after that accident.
- Legions of fans and former players, who exhibit a fierce loyalty to a man who has, in some way, helped shape their lives.
- And a care-nothing attitude toward the milestones, honors and awards that have etched his name atop the record books.

MEYER GOT HIS START in coaching in 1976, spending three years at the helm of NCAA Division III Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. From there, he moved to Lipscomb, where he spent 24 years amassing more than 650 wins.

Meyer's Bison teams were so successful, in fact, that he tacked on 100 wins approximately every three seasons, and guided his teams to national scoring titles five times in a seven-year span.

After making the move to Northern State and the NCAA Division II, Meyer's success found a new avenue of greatness. He recorded his 800th win at home on Dec. 11, 2004, and moved into second place on the NCAA Men's all-time, all-division wins chart during

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the 2007-08 season, finishing the year with 891 career victories.

Then came the accident, followed by eight grueling weeks of surgeries, therapy and more pain than he had ever thought possible.

His return to the court in time for the Wolves' season opener on Nov. 18, surprised no one, particularly his team. Stalking the sidelines — albeit from a wheelchair instead of his usual pacing — is its own brand of therapy.

That therapy paid off as the incomparable duo of Meyer and "Little Buddy" notched win number 900 on Dec. 15, a 79-69 victory over sixth-ranked Minnesota State, Mankato.

With the win, Meyer became just the second coach in NCAA men's basketball history to record 900 career victories. He then proceeded to notch the record-breaking 903rd win in front of a crowd of 6,654 on Jan. 10, 2009, passing up Bob Knight for first place on the NCAA all-time career wins chart.

The numbers, impressive as they are, speak for themselves. But for Meyer, the 2008-09 season has been about anything but numbers.



Mikayla Barondeau, freshman, Frederick, S.D.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The women's basketball program battled youth, inexperience and the injury bug in 2008-09, but still recorded a respectable 12-15 record overall and an 8-12 mark in NSIC play. The Wolves, who at times started games with four freshmen in the line-up, were still in the hunt for a NSIC tournament berth entering the final week

of the regular season, but dropped out of contention after falling to nationally ranked MSU Moorhead in NSU's final home game on Feb. 25. NSU will look to reload next season with a healthy Jodi Reinschmidt — who suffered a season-ending knee injury in late December — and a corps of battle-tested youngsters. The Wolves do not lose a single senior this season.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

In a season best characterized by its ups and downs, the men's basketball squad made the wins count when they needed to. Led by seniors Kyle Schwan and Kevin Ratzsch, the Wolves rebounded from a rocky pre-season to hand legendary head coach Don Meyer his record-breaking 903rd career win on Jan. 10, 2009. That win broke the all-time record for most career wins by an NCAA men's coach, a mark formerly held by Texas Tech coach Bobby Knight. Meyer, who battled back from a serious car accident on Sept. 5 that resulted in the loss of part of his left leg and a cancer diagnosis, was on the sidelines for all 28 games of the season, leading the Wolves to their tenth NSIC tournament berth in his 10 years at the helm. Ratzsch also became the third player in Meyer's tenure to be named the NSIC Player of the Year, joining Brad Hansen and current NSU graduate assistant Matt Hammer in that category.



Kevin Ratzsch, senior, Bloomington, Ill.

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Brittany Vaughn, sophomore, Cody, Wyo.

SWIMMING & DIVING

In its second year of existence, the NSU swimming and diving program made great strides towards being competitive in the conference and region in 2008-09. Despite having just one home meet to start the season, the Wolves managed to meet or break the school record in nearly every

event in the water. The team also upped their point total in the season-ending NSIC Championships, a marathon 4-day event hosted by affiliate NSIC member Nebraska-Omaha. NSU also had a diving corps for the first time this season, and will look to develop that aspect of competition in upcoming seasons.

INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

The men's and women's track and field programs finished off another strong year of competition at the NSIC Championships on Feb. 27-28. The women's team finished ninth in what is arguably one of the toughest all-around track and field conferences in the country. All told, the NSIC qualified 30 women for the NCAA Division II national meet, slated for March 13-14 in Houston, Texas. NSU junior Amanda Madden qualified for her second

straight national meet with a stellar season in the weight throw. Madden broke her own school record in that event twice throughout the course of the season. The men's squad, behind a pair of event champions and a slew of All-Conference performances, finished third at the NSIC meet. Redshirt freshman Cody Hunt won his first ever conference title with a first place finish in the shot put. Hunt will represent the Wolves in that event at the national meet.



Jimmy Marx, junior, Webster, S.D.

WRESTLING

Heavily beset by injuries throughout the 2008-09 dual season, the Wolves finished just 4-8 in duals and 1-5 in conference match-ups. The Wolves rebounded, however, to qualify three individuals for the NCAA Division II Championships, March 13-14 in Houston, Texas. Juniors Corbin Surat, Phil Downs and Jared Little all earned trips to the national competition with top-four finishes at the NCAA Super Regional 3 tournament on March 1. Surat finished second in the 125-pound bracket, while Little claimed fourth in the heavyweight division. Downs won a true-fourth match in the 165-pound bracket to punch his ticket for the national tournament.



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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1941 **Emmett Lenihan** Hopkins, Minn., inducted in CHS Hall of Fame for athletics.

1950 **Arnold Krueger** Le Center, Minn., inducted in CHS Hall of Fame for fine arts.

1951 **Roger Baird** San Jose, Calif., inducted in CHS Hall of Fame for academics/achievement.

1958 **Donald S. Reshetar** Aberdeen, inducted in CHS Hall of Fame.

1967 **Duane Alm** Aberdeen, re-elected president of Assoc. School Boards of S.D.

1975 **Roy Becker** Aberdeen, promoted to vice president of credit administration for Dacotah Bank.

1982 **Phyllis Heier** Aberdeen, was recognized by S.D. Music Educators Assoc. for teaching 25 yrs.

1989 **Stephanie (Hengel) Popelar** Parker, Colo., finished 1st in the 40-44-yr old female group at 2008 USA Triathlon Age Group Nat. Championships on Sept. 20, 2008.

1990 **Tammy (Kriz) Chase** Sisseton, won AMVET's National Award as National Guard Volunteer of the Year.

1992 **Connie Kusler** Aberdeen, promoted to vice president of real estate at Dacotah Bank.

BIRTHS

1990 **Blake Bomesberger** Aberdeen, and wife Jennifer, a daughter, Alexis Jane, on September 5, 2008.

1995 **Ann (Kolb) Erdmann** Groton, and husband Michael, a son, Dawson Aaron on September 22, 2008.

1995 **Allan Vogel** Aberdeen, and wife Becky (Daly, 2000), a son, Chase Allan, on July 31, 2008.

1997 **Ryan Opitz** Aberdeen, and wife Jodi, a daughter, Madalyn Marley on August 20, 2008.

1998 **Becky (Haider) LaBrie** Frankfort, and husband Mark, a son, Briggs Oliver, on August 14, 2008.

1998 **Sarah (Keller) Hanten** Groton, and husband Cody, a daughter, Teagan Elizabeth, October 10, 2008.

2000 **Chad Beynon** Watertown, had son, Zachariah Thomas, with wife Stephanie on August 24, 2008.

2000 **Chris Heier** Aberdeen, and wife Tenille, a daughter, Mira Serene, on October 4, 2008.

2001 **Kelli (Kirschenmann) Simonsen** and husband, Jeff, a daughter, Brynn Elise, on May 10, 2008.

2001 **Angela (Gehring) Johnson** Aberdeen, and husband Mike, a daughter, Sierrah Marie on August 26, 2008.

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 25, 2009

SATURDAY

Day of Champions

Aberdeen, S.D.

MAY 1-2, 2009

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Fine Arts All School Reunion

Northern State University, Aberdeen, S.D.

MAY 8-9, 2009

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

50 Year Club Reunion

Aberdeen, S.D.

MAY 8-9, 2009

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Wolves on the Water

New Evarts Lodge - Glenham, S.D.

MAY 9, 2009

SATURDAY

Spring Commencement

Aberdeen, S.D.

JUNE 5, 2009

FRIDAY

NSU Football Golf Tournament

Faulkton, S.D.

JULY 12-13, 2009

SUNDAY AND MONDAY

Wach's Golf Classic

Moccasin Creek Country Club - Aberdeen, S.D.

For more information on these and other alumni events, contact NSU Foundation at 605.626.2550 or nsualumni@northern.edu.

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2001 Rachel (Hansen) Kippley Aberdeen, and husband Jeff, a son, Titus Lane, on August 6, 2008.

2001 Elizabeth Kaan Bath, and husband Jason (2001) a daughter, Brynley Elizabeth on November 17, 2008.

2001 Tyler Carson Lincoln, Neb., and wife Eva, a daughter, Jada Rae, on August 15, 2008.

2002 Kristi (Rettedal) Prouty and husband Jay, Sioux Falls, a daughter, Elyse Meredith on December 30, 2008.

2004 Brittany (Lamb) Schiefelbein and husband, Derek, a son on October 27, 2008.

FRIEND Slade Roseland Aberdeen, and wife Kayla, a son, Sean Roger on September 11, 2008.

FRIEND Ross Flemmer Sioux Falls, and wife Cristy, a son, Jacob Robert on July 21, 2008.

FRIEND Mic Daggett Aberdeen, and wife Jen, a son, Lucas Graham on July 31, 2008.

BIRTHDAYS

1937 Wanda (Moyle) Wilson Sun Lakes, Ariz., celebrated her 90th birthday on October 12, 2008.

1937 Vineta (Jackson) Milbrandt Columbia, celebrated his 90th birthday on August 17, 2008.

1940 Agnes (Menzel) Miner Huron, celebrated her 90th birthday on August 23, 2008.

1958 Donald S. Reshetar Aberdeen celebrated his 80th birthday on October 29, 2008.

1960 Earl Randall Aberdeen, celebrated his 80th birthday on November 30, 2008.

1963 Margaret (Day) Demery Aberdeen, celebrated her 80th birthday on February 2, 2009.

1966 Edna (Mueller) Wulff Aberdeen, celebrated her 90th birthday on October 16, 2008.

1970 Edna Scott Johnson Aberdeen, celebrated her 95th birthday on August 15, 2008.

FRIEND Don Borge Mellette, celebrated his 75th birthday on August 6, 2008.

FRIEND M.J. Mickelson Aberdeen, celebrated his 90th birthday on October 4, 2008.

FRIEND Orville Schaller Groton, celebrated his 80th birthday on September 3, 2008.

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FRIEND Leonard Tollifson Aberdeen, celebrated his 80th birthday on September 9, 2008.

FRIEND Adeline (Wiederich) Dockter Aberdeen celebrated her 80th birthday on August 14, 2008.

FRIEND Irma Herrboldt Aberdeen celebrated her 90th birthday on November 26, 2008.

WEDDINGS

1999 Corey K. Schuh Aberdeen, married Alicia Vander Weyst on August 1, 2008.

2000 Kris Frericks Aberdeen, married to Amber Welke on June 28, 2008.

2002 Aaron Twinnereim Aberdeen, married to Alison Schmidt on August 30, 2008.

2005 Chad Miller Aberdeen, married Terri LaFontaine on September 20, 2008.

2007 Judon Aldinger Aberdeen, married Justin Reinbold on May 24, 2008.

FRIEND Eric Larson Aberdeen, married Ashley Neifer on June 21, 2008.



FEBRUARY 3, Florida

Hosted by Dr. Ken and Andrea Giedt, friends of NSU



FEBRUARY 13, Sun City West, Ariz.

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CELEBRATIONS

1942 **Lucille Mitchell**, Aberdeen, and husband **Charlie** celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on September 3, 2008.

1948 **Ruth Obermeyer**, Mellette, and husband **Glenn** celebrated their 60th anniversary September 26, 2008.

1955 **Jim Hovland**, Aberdeen, and wife **Marie (1957)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 20 2008.

1955 **Milo Opp**, Aberdeen, and wife **Arlene**, celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on February 14, 2008.

1957 **Shirley Boone**, Watertown, and husband **Dan (1960)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 8, 2008.

1958 **Marlene (Humann) Klein**, Aberdeen, and husband **Merle(1959)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17, 2008.

1958 **Richard Gebhart**, Menomonie, Wis., and wife **Shirley**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 18, 2008.

1958 **Gary Cutler**, Aberdeen, celebrated their 50th anniversary with wife **Frances (1958)** on July 26, 2008.

1959 **Virginia (Babb) Beattie**, Sioux Falls, and husband **Bob (1964)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 26, 2008.

1959 **Allen Anderson**, Aberdeen, and wife **Delores** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 15, 2008.

1959 **Velma (Ryther) Becker**, Pierre, and husband **Elwin** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December 2008.

1960 **Richard Wik**, Faulkton, and wife **Jean (1963)** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 17, 2008.

1961 **Robert Ness**, Sioux Falls, and wife **Delores** celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on September 5, 2008.

1962 **Linda(Emery)Mork**, Aberdeen, and husband **Dale**, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on September 14, 2008.

1965 **Donna (Thies) Schmidt**, Roscoe, and husband **Leonard** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 4, 2008.

1967 **Roland Nielson** and wife **Nancy (1966)**, Redfield, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on August 10, 2008.

1967 **Nancy (Rasse) Anderson**, Plymouth, Minn., and husband, **Roger**, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in March 2009.

1968 **Maureen(Kono) Roberts**, Aberdeen, and husband **James** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on November 23, 2008.

1972 **Edward Bosanko**, Aberdeen, celebrated 40th anniversary with wife **Joan** on August 30, 2008.

1981 **Debra Reecy**, Aberdeen, with husband **Jim** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on November 30, 2008.

1982 **Randy Lechner**, with wife **Donna** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on September 17, 2008.

FRIEND **Don Lorenz Clark** and wife **Angie** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 4, 2008.

FRIEND **Jim Knecht**, Aberdeen, and wife **Virlene** celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on October 7, 2008.

FRIEND **Carroll Brick**, Aberdeen, and husband **Pat** celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on September 14, 2008.

FRIEND **Leo Schatz**, Aberdeen, and wife **Cathy**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on November 22, 2008.

FRIEND **Garth Ziemann**, Oakes, N.D., and wife **Carol** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 16, 2008.



FEBRUARY 14, *Tempe Ariz.*



FEBRUARY 28, *Georgia*

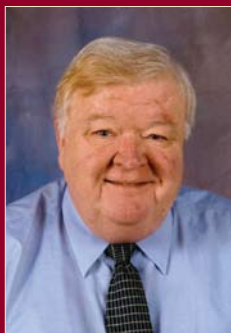
Hosted by **Jim B.S. '69** and **Corinne (Aaker) Cramer B.S. '70**

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1927 Emma Fiedler August 5, 2008.
 1929 Clara (Buss) Nicholas September, 26, 2008.
 1929 Cora (Spangler) Cozart December 11, 2008.
 1930 Firmin Bernard Finnegan August 21, 2008.
 1930 Evelyn (Phillips) Dickson January 20, 2009.
 1931 Ruth (Moberg) Obermeyer December 30, 2008.
 1933 Robert A. Davies August 23, 2008.
 1934 Rae 'Vivien' (Rasmussen) Karrigan October 22, 2008.
 1937 Evelyn (Blodgett) Roberts September 22, 2008.
 1939 Lucille (Rye) Makens September 16, 2008.
 1940 Myrtle A. (Trapp) Styles August 26, 2008.
 1940 Esther (Dunker) Dayton November 19, 2008.
 1941 Lenore (Dahme) Larson January 1, 2009.
 1941 LaVera (Rath) Rall November 20, 2008.
 1943 James M. Ziegler November 29, 2008.
 1944 Charlotte Westby November 16, 2008.
 1946 Sylvia (Berwald) Sackreiter September 14, 2008.
 1948 George Olson February 5, 2008.
 1948 Verna (Thompson) Birkeland February 19, 2009.
 1950 Ronald E. Bean September 7, 2008.
 1951 Elwin Schmidt October 14, 2008.
 1951 Wilma (Hening) Lloyd December 12, 2008.
 1953 Richard M. Madden January 7, 2009.
 1955 Leonard Helwig August 30, 2008.
 1955 Donna (Nelson) Ellwood November 11, 2008.
 1956 Donna M. (Finney) Selnes September 20, 2008.
 1956 James Gugin August 8, 2008.
 1956 Milo B. Stokke November 2008.
 1957 Blanche Meeks August 3, 2008.
 1959 Lourene Pulfrey January 10, 2009.
 1960 Donald J. Adler September 28, 2008.
 1960 Maxine G. (Schmidt) Beardemphl September 2, 2008.
 1962 Marlyce (Mathieu) Evans January 30, 2009.
 1962 Gene Turner August 25, 2008.
 1963 Paul R. Jacobs Sr. August 21, 2008.

1963 Lois Wells December 21, 2008.
 1964 LaVera J. Kraig September 25, 2008.
 1964 Donna (Engel) Peterson January 13, 2009.
 1964 Susan (Rasse) Walker March, 2008.
 1964 Mabel Arneson January 21, 2009.
 1965 Larry Virgil Nesland October 9, 2008.
 1966 Lyle Leonard January 28, 2008.
 1967 Shirley Olander August 13, 2008.
 1968 Clinton W. Dykstra January 19, 2009.
 1969 Robert A. Schpok August 4, 2008.
 1970 LeRoy 'Tuby' Gunderson July 30, 2008.
 1970 Dorothy (Thomas) Hinze February 4, 2009.
 1970 Terry Gesinger November 15, 2008.
 1971 Ralph O. Haug August 11, 2008.
 1972 Alan K. Severson January 14, 2009.
 1973 Mercedes (Julson) Volk January 4, 2009.
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 FRIEND Carol Sombke July 29, 2008.
 FRIEND John M. Clark September 1, 2008.
 FRIEND Wade Fischer September 22, 2008.
 FRIEND Harley Frederick Erickson September 18, 2008.
 FRIEND Richard Niebuhr, March 7, 2009



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Richard W. "Dick" Niebuhr

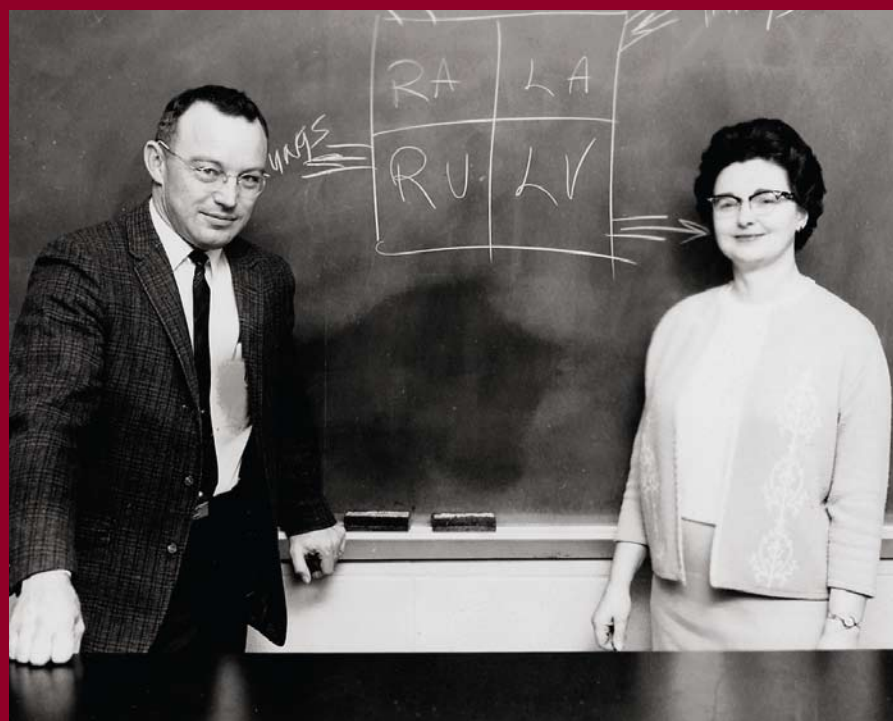
Born - July 7, 1944, Sioux City, Iowa
Died - March 7, 2009, Aberdeen, S.D.

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"A teacher affects eternity; she can never tell where her influence stops."

-- Henry Brooks Adams

"Almost everyone has a teacher who was a major influence, inspiration or set an example, in such a way that their life was changed. In my case, that person was Evelyn Roberts," writes Richard R. Halse, a student of Roberts' at NSU in 1966.

THOUSANDS HAVE TRAVERSED the hallowed halls and grounds of Northern State University throughout its history, each leaving a footprint that defines the institution that it is today, and no one more so than Evelyn Roberts.

Evelyn Wolverton was born in Doland, S.D. in the fall of 1918. After completing two years at Northern Normal College she went on to teach country school in Clark, S.D. In 1940 she married her high school sweetheart, Raymond Roberts. They were blessed with four children, Gaylen, Stanley, Claudia and Cynthia.

After 20 years on the farm, Evelyn and Robert moved their family to Aberdeen so Evelyn could fulfill her lifelong dream of returning to college. At the age of 43, and with four children under the age of 12, Evelyn entered Northern State College as a non-traditional student in 1961. Four years later she had not only earned her bachelor's degree in biology, she landed a position as a professor of biology and botany with the institution, a post she held for the next 20 years retiring in 1985. During her time as a professor, Evelyn earned master's degrees in biology, from Northern State, and botany from SDSU.

"I've often described her as a woman born ahead of her time—for many reasons. Only after I became older, especially with children of my own, did I realize that everyday life in the Roberts house was something very unique for that time period," writes Evelyn's daughter Cindy. "The years have helped me gain a renewed appreciation of what my parents accomplished at a time when their goals were not common place."

During her lifetime, Evelyn's pursuits stretched far beyond her teaching and research at Northern State. A long-time member

of Aberdeen's St. Paul's Lutheran Church, she was involved in the development of the city's first food co-op, Natural Abundance. She and her husband also enjoyed traveling, camping, bird watching, antique collecting, photography, gardening and woodworking.

Former student Kirk Redlin writes "Her zest for life and her deep passion for biology left a permanent mark on my life as a teacher which I sought to emulate in my teaching career 30 years ago. My success as a teacher was due in large part to people like Evelyn who touched my life."

NSU Professor Emeritus and friend, Dan Tallman adds "Erika and I remember Evelyn most fondly. She was a warm and caring person in an academic world that can sometimes be cutthroat. How fortunate we were to have her as a colleague! We both learned so much from teaching biology labs with Evelyn."

Evelyn and her husband Raymond were married 60 years at the time of his death in 2000. She passed away on Sep. 22, 2008.

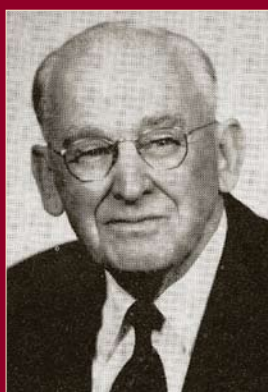
"Evelyn was a woman who met life head on, knowing that every goal could be reached if a plan was made, a "to do" list written, and sufficient intestinal fortitude called upon. The lives of her children, grandchildren, students, friends and colleagues have been enriched for having known her. Evelyn will be missed."

~An excerpt from Evelyn's Memorial Program~

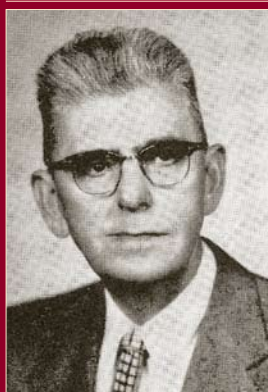


FROM THE ARCHIVES

Two former NSU scholars are being honored by former NSU student, Dr. Paul Borgesen, an ear, nose and throat physician in Phoenix, Arizona.



John H. Jensen



N. H. "Scout" Mewaldt

A PLAQUE IS BEING CREATED to recognize N. H. "Scout" Mewaldt, who gave 38 years of service to Northern as professor of mathematics, from 1927 to 1965, and John H. Jensen, professor of chemistry and physics at Northern from 1931 to 1968. The plaque will hang at the entrance of the Mewaldt Jensen building on the NSU campus.

"I am deeply committed to the memory of these two fine men," said Borgesen. "They are two of the best instructors I have ever had."

Borgesen left NSU in 1950, attended Marquette from '50 to '61 with a break for military service. He completed his residency at the University of Iowa and began practicing in Phoenix in 1967, where he resides today.

