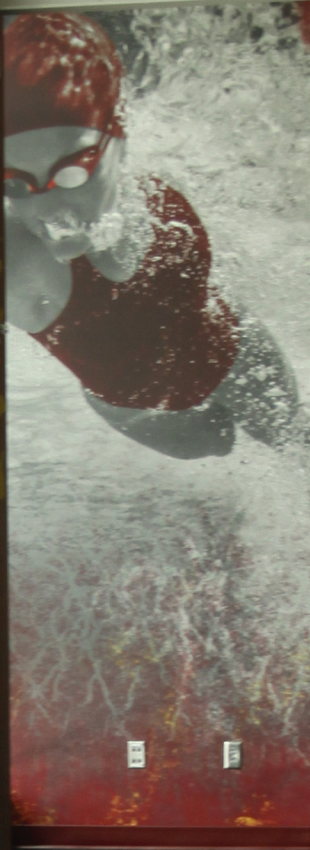
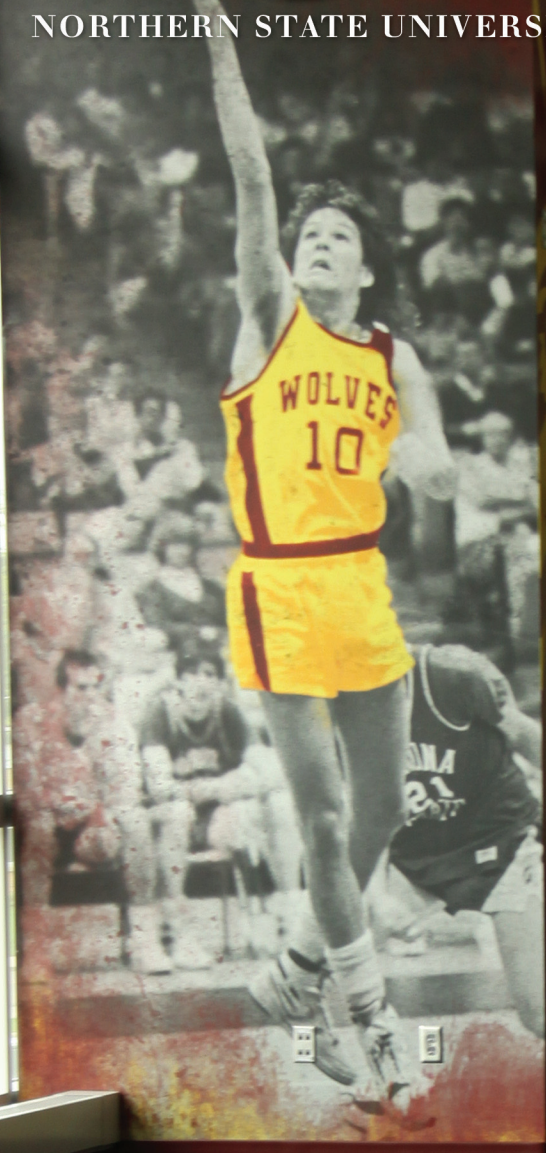


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

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PRESIDENT
JAMES M. SMITH

"I am pleased to report that the much anticipated expansion of the Barnett Center is now complete."

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL SEMESTER and spring commencement has come to a close at Northern State. As we take a deep breath, all focus and energy now shifts to preparing for our fall semester, just a couple of short months away.

During the final weeks of the semester, we experienced national recognition for some of our talented students. Northern State junior Matt Meuleners was named the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Wrestler of the Year by the league's head coaches. Meuleners successfully defended his NCAA Division II national title, defeating St. Cloud State's Jake Kahnke in the title match for the second straight year. With the victory, his 32nd of the season, Meuleners became the second two-time national champion in NSU wrestling history and the only one to do it at the Division II level.

In late April, Johnson Fine Arts Center was the venue for the rock band Kansas. If that isn't impressive enough, the band performed with our very own Aberdeen University/Civic Symphony. Many talented students and faculty joined folks from the region to be part of this once-in-a-lifetime experience.

The highlight of this event, for many, was the violin duet featuring NSU student Lindsey Fluharty and David Ragsdale of Kansas playing the band's hit song "Dust In The Wind." It was an unbelievable moment for Fluharty, as well as for the roughly 900 people in attendance.

I am pleased to report that the much-anticipated expansion of the Barnett Center is now complete. The expansion will offer a first-class set of locker rooms, a wrestling room and fitness equipment for not only our student athletes but the campus community as a whole.

We have also completed the remodeling of Lincoln Hall, home to our School of Business. This was a much-needed update. In addition to the cosmetic improvements, the remodel also allowed us to install some changes that will allow for better energy efficiency for this facility.

Finally, the expansion of our Student Center is on track for the return of students for this fall. The expansion offers additional dining areas and options, meeting rooms for student organizations, and a much larger room for campus and community events.

Let me close by encouraging you to check out our new presence on the World Wide Web. Early last month a new look went live at www.northern.edu. We believe this new and improved site will be more attractive to potential students and their families. While you are there, check us out on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube, too. We know our "followers" are changing and we want to provide as much information as we can about Northern, however they want to receive it!

GO WOLVES,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James M. Smith".

INDIAN WELLS, CALIF., RECEPTION

Left to right: Kathie Nygaard, Jim Lust '56, Gary Nygaard B'64



Cramer speaks at NSU Graduation

More than 300 students graduated at Northern State University's 2012 spring commencement last month.

The ceremony was 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 5, at the Barnett Center. Graduation speaker was Jim Cramer, an Aberdeen native and 1969 NSU graduate.

Cramer's career has focused on leadership, consulting and publishing in the fields of architecture and engineering practice management and business strategy. He is chairman and chief executive officer of the Atlanta-based Greenway Group and its related companies. The firm's worldwide clients include Harvard University, Smith-

sonian Institution, IBM, DuPont, the National Museum of American Art and the National Parks Foundation.

Cramer is the former chief executive of the American Institute of Architects in Washington, D.C. He has been adjunct professor or lecturer at a number of colleges and universities and has written three books on professional practice management.

In addition to his undergraduate education at Northern, Cramer attended the University of Minnesota. He has a master's degree from the University of St. Thomas and four post-graduate certificates. He has received more than 80 honors and medals

for his work, including honorary memberships in the Royal Institute of Australian Architects and the International Interior Design Association.

Cramer attended Northern's commencement with his wife, Corinne Aaker Cramer, a 1970 Northern graduate who grew up in Spink County; his mother, Carol Cramer, who was the director of health services at NSU in the 1960s and 70s; and his sister, Joan Cramer, a South Dakota State University graduate and an executive with Target Corp. in Minneapolis.

CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Northern Impact on target to exceed goal

The Northern Impact campaign is on target to exceed the goal of \$27.2 million, said Todd Jordre, president and CEO of the NSU Foundation.

The campaign will conclude June 30, Jordre said. The committee is mak-

ing follow-up visits and engaging prospects, and a wrap-up celebration will take place this fall.

Some of the money raised will be used for the Barnett Center and other projects. But most will be used for the WolfPACT scholarship program, the largest guaranteed four-year scholarship in the Midwest.



There is still time to participate. For more information, contact the NSU Foundation at 605-626-2550.

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Kansas concert provides unbelievable opportunity

For Northern State University student Lindsey Fluharty, just getting to perform with the national rock band Kansas was exciting enough.

Getting to play a duet of "Dust In The Wind" with Kansas violinist David Ragsdale, she said, was unbelievable.

"I had so much fun," Fluharty said. "It is one of the highlights of my music career because I hope someday to play and perform the way David does, and this experience brought me a little closer to that hope."

Kansas performed with the Aberdeen University/Civic Symphony April 29 at the

Johnson Fine Arts Center. It's estimated that more than 900 people attended, said Alan LaFave, dean of the NSU School of Fine Arts.

LaFave said the day could not have gone better.

"The members of Kansas were excellent to work with, and very supportive of our students and music program," he said.

Kansas, whose hit songs also include "Carry on My Wayward Son" and "Point of Know Return," is trying to encourage music education. The band started its collegiate tour in 2010.

Fluharty said Kansas and the orchestra director, Larry Baird, were very kind and easy to work with.

"They made the whole experience so enjoyable," she said. "It's inspiring to see professional musicians reach out

and be willing to help students and young musicians."

Fluharty said she never thought she would play with a national rock band – it sort of felt surreal.

"Being able to play with Kansas was such a blessing and an amazing experience," she said.

Fluharty, a native of Prior Lake, Minn., is a double major in art and music, with emphasis in graphic design and music performance. Along with being concertmaster of the Aberdeen University/Civic Symphony, she is also active on the NSU track and field team. Fluharty said Northern is a great school to try new things, and she doesn't think she would be able to do that at another school.

"I've been blessed to be able to participate in track, music and art. If the coaches and teachers here weren't willing to be flexible and supportive, I don't think I could've done it," she said. "It's not easy to be a student athlete, but when you have people supporting you, it makes it so much better."

Aberdeen University/Civic Symphony section leaders with Kansas band members.



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Campus Busy with Improvement Projects

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The NSU Barnett Center project added a two-story, roughly 24,000-square-foot addition to the athletic facility. The center now boasts new locker rooms, a wrestling room and offices on the first floor, as well as a wellness center on the second floor.

Recently retired NSU Athletic Director Bob Olson said he is very pleased with the outcome of the Barnett Center addition, calling it a very big asset to both NSU and the community.

"This project has been a group effort on this campus," said Olson, who retired in May. "I appreciate Dr. Smith's leadership on this project, for it would not be to the standard it is without his leadership and support."

The 128,000-square-foot Barnett Center was built in 1987 at a cost of \$8.9 million. The newly completed project cost \$3.2 million and was funded by private donations. That included a special gift from Carmen and Coach Don Meyer: The couple donated their former home to the Northern State

University Foundation so proceeds from its sale could go toward the project.

This fall, Northern students will also enjoy more entertainment space and a new bagel shop with the completion of the NSU Student Center project.

The \$6 million project add 3,543 square feet to the lower level and 10,305 square feet to the upper level of the Student Center, which was built in 1960 for \$350,000.

The project, which will be completed by the time school starts, was funded by student fees, and NSU students provided a lot of input. The resulting project creates an area for students to socialize. Einstein Bros. Bagels will provide a late-night dining option, offering food, coffee and smoothies. The center now includes gaming rooms, a pool/billiard room, several fireplaces, a movie theater and meeting space for various student organizations. The project brings dining services under one roof and provides a new home for admissions. Other new Student Center features include a second-floor addition to the NSU bookstore; expanded conference and meeting rooms and a banquet hall/ballroom; and an Access Center with a computer lab and career center.



NSU provided Division I coach a blueprint for success

TIM MILES said Northern State University helped prepare him for Division I coaching by providing a great blueprint for success.

Miles is the new University of Nebraska men's basketball coach. The Doland native got his master's degree from NSU in 1990 and is a former assistant coach for the Wolves. His wife, Kari (Johnson) BS '91, is also a Northern grad, receiving both her undergraduate and master's degrees from NSU.

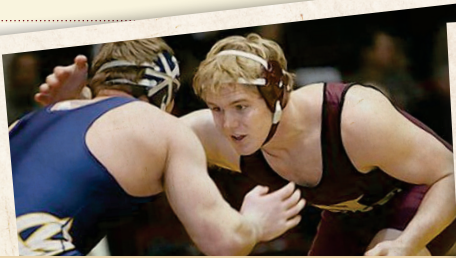
"Seeing success first-hand with Bob Olson as the head coach was a great experience," Miles said. "I also worked for Dr. James Kretchman when I worked in athletic development. Philosophically, he was a great mentor. Kari and I both still talk about Dr. Kretchman and what he taught us."

Miles also said his career was influenced by Todd Jordre and Olson, who helped give him a start in the college coaching profession.

"I always greatly appreciated that," he said. "Northern is full of tremendous teachers."

His advice for other coaches: "Keep working hard, stick with the plan, and never give up. Stay positive!"





NSU Welcomed Two New Members



Veronica Paulson
*Vice President Finance
and Administration*

NSU **senior administration** welcomed two new members during the spring semester following two retirements. Veronica Paulson was named the new vice president of finance and administration following the retirement of Don Erlenbusch.

Paulson is no stranger to Northern. She has served as controller for the university. This position is in charge of the university's financial operations, bookstore, facilities and human resources. The Britton, S.D., native received her bachelor's degree from Northern.

Josh Moon was named athletic director following the retirement of Bob Olson.

Moon comes to Northern State from Western Illinois University (Macomb, Ill.) where he served as the senior associate director of athletics.

The Wautoma, Wis., native has a Bachelor of Science in business administration and a Bachelor of Science in exercise and sport science from the University of Wisconsin and holds a Master of Science in administration from Central Michigan University. Both positions serve on the president's senior cabinet.



Josh Moon
Athletic Director



Matt Meuleners wins second straight NCAA Division II national championship

Northern State junior Matt Meuleners' national title defense ended just the way he envisioned it – with a second straight NCAA Division II national championship. Meuleners defeated St. Cloud State's Jacob Kahnke in the championship match on March 10, scoring the match's only takedown in the sudden victory overtime period to secure the win.

With the victory, his 32nd of the season, Meuleners became only the second two-time national champion in NSU wrestling history and the only one to do it at the Division II level. A national tournament placer as a freshman at 197 pounds, Meuleners has earned All-America honors three straight seasons.

Meuleners added another notch to his trophy case a week later when he was named as the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Wrestler of the Year by the league's head coaches.

The junior from Young America, Minn., won his last 26 matches of the season, including the Super Region 3 championship. He became just the 10th member of NSU's 100 career wins club earlier in the season.



DENVER RECEPTION

*Left to right: Judy (Peterka) Dylla B'77 ,
Dan Sueltz, Bernie Dylla B'77*



SUN CITY WEST, ARIZ., RECEPTION

*Left to right: Salona Wachs, Frank Bohall
B'59, Maureen (Smith) Bohall B'58*



LOS ANGELES RECEPTION

*Left to right: MariJane (Melius) Nolte
B'78 MS'86, Marlette (Parsch) Slates B'52
MS'54, Rochelle Nolte B'92*



DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI



Gregg Wiitala graduated from Northern in 1966 with a B.S. in economics. He earned his M.A. degree in economic development from Ohio University in 1972. Gregg has spent his entire career leading economic expansion

projects in several developing and poverty-stricken countries. His numerous experiences have included: project design, analysis and evaluation; program planning and reporting; financial and private sector development including credit programs, housing finance, privatization programs, banking and insurance, capital markets, and financial regulation; production, finance, agro-business and value chain in the agriculture field; and infrastructure including roads, water pipelines and rail rehabilitation in post-conflict countries.

Gregg was a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in Kenya from 1966-1969 where he served as area manager for the Masai Agricultural Development Organization. Following his graduation from Ohio University, he held several managerial positions over 13 years of employment with Technoserve Inc., establishing or rehabilitating agro-business enterprise in Africa. In 1987 he began his 25-year career with USAID, the U.S. Government agency providing economic and humanitarian assistance worldwide. He was a regional project development officer in Nairobi, Kenya, covering east and southern Africa. In USAID/Mozambique he was responsible for leading seven major rehabilitation projects with a combined portfolio value of \$310 million. Gregg worked for USAID/Ghana and led three divisions including the largest West Africa food aid division that averaged \$20 million per annum. He then worked for USAID/Egypt where he was team leader for private sector programs with an annual budget of \$240 million. Gregg represented USAID in a joint program with the World Bank to establish Egypt's highly successful housing finance program. Gregg then worked as a director for USAID/Bosnia and Herzegovina, where he was responsible for financial sector reforms and for private sector programs in agriculture,

light industry, tourism and forestry. Since 2009, Gregg has worked for USAID/Jordan as senior program management adviser for the Office of Program Management and as senior private sector adviser for the Office of Economic Growth. As the adviser to the program office reporting to Washington and the Embassy, he was assigned special tasks including completion of country strategy, preparation of congressional budget justification, design of the economic growth component of the new poverty strategy, and an initial assessment of human rights activities. Gregg has designed two major private enterprise projects in Jordan at \$35 million each focusing on enterprise development in low-income urban areas and supporting high tech start-up enterprises in clean energy, bio-technology and information technology. Throughout his career, Gregg has also worked as a consultant or collaborator with several international development agencies including SIDA (Sweden), NORAD (Norway), GTZ (Germany), Irish Aid and the World Bank. Gregg and his wife, Laura, have two children and currently reside in Jordan with a home in Minnesota.

GRADUATE OF THE LAST DECADE (GOLD)

Dr. Eric Rambow



received his B.S. degree in mathematics from Northern in 2003. He played football for the Wolves and was named team captain in 2001 and 2002, receiving awards for weight lifting both of those years as well. He then received a B.S. in biology from SDSU in 2005 and his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from the University of Minnesota in 2009. Dr. Rambow and his wife, Dr. Meghan Rambow, purchased a practice in 2009 and originated the Morris Dental Clinic, PA located in Morris, Minn. The practice provides dental care for patients of all ages along with a wide variety of cosmetic dental treatments and dental care products. The Rambows plan to expand their dental practice to other towns and increase the services they provide to include placing implants. Dr. Rambow was awarded the Irwin A. Epstein Award for Clini-

cal Endodontics and the American Academy of Oral & Maxillofacial Radiology Award, and was the 2009 recipient of the Outstanding Dental Student in Implant Dentistry Award from the Academy of Osseointegration. Dr. Rambow is a member of the Morris Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors along with being a member in the Minnesota Dental Association and the American Dental Association. He is also involved in 4H, FFA, Ducks Unlimited and Pheasants Forever and enjoys water skiing, snow skiing and exercising. The Rambows live in Morris, Minn., with their daughter, Avery, and also have a home on Lake Minnetonka.

KRETCHMAN COACHING AWARD

Steven Keszler



graduated from NSU in 1990 with a B.S. in education. He was a member of the wrestling team from 1985 to 1990 and was also a member of the golf team in 1985. During his wrestling career, Steven was a three-time

varsity letter winner. He was named team captain for the 1989-90 season and was NSIC conference player of the week that same year. Steven was a two-time NAIA national qualifier and a runner-up in the 1990 NSIC conference tournament. Today, Steven works at Sturgis High School in Sturgis as a biology and physical education teacher and head wrestling coach. In his 22 years as coach, he has won nine state championships, 14 regional championships and 14 conference championships. He has coached 30 individual state champions and 148 individual state place winners. Steven has received numerous coaching awards including 2005 and 2010 South Dakota Coach of the Year, 2010 National Coach of the Year finalist, seven-time conference Coach of the Year, and eight-time regional Coach of the Year. He has a career dual record of 304-38. Steven has had many athletes go on to earn All-American honors in college at all NCAA and NAIA levels including an athlete that is currently on the USA World Team. Steven and his wife, Linda, have three children.



Amanda (Mikuska) Bain received a B.S. in biology from NSU in 2000. Amanda was a member of NSU's women's basketball teams from 1996-2000. She averaged 10 points per game and 3.5 assists per game during her career, helping her to become the second all-time leader in assists. She is also second all-time in steals with a career average of 1.9 steals per game. Amanda led the conference in many categories during her playing career including steals per game, assist/turnover ratio, and 3-point percentage. She was a three-time NSIC all-conference choice (1998, 1999, 2000). She also helped lead the Wolves to NSIC championships and NCAA regional appearances in 1997 and 1998 and another regional appearance in 2000. Amanda currently resides in Aberdeen with her husband, Scott, and their two children. She is a certified paralegal for Richardson, Wyly, Wise, Sauck & Hieb LLC and is an active member of both the South Dakota Paralegal Association and the National Association of Legal Assistants. Amanda also volunteers as a basketball coach for the Upward Bound basketball program.



Chris (Swanhorst) Burckhard earned a B.S. in accounting from NSU in 1997. A standout with the women's basketball team from 1993-97, Chris earned NSIC all-conference honors in 1995-96 and 1996-97. She finished her collegiate career with 1,260 points and 608 rebounds. Her team was the NAIA Division II National Champions in 1993-94. That same year they earned a 64-1 Wachs Arena home court record and a national record for the most consecutive wins at 45. She and her teammates from the 1993-94 season were inducted into the NSIC Conference Hall of Fame in 2009. Chris and her husband, Kevin, live in Aberdeen with their three children, Paition, Reece and Lauryn. She is an accountant for Northern Valley Communications and is also a member of the Mayor's Fitness Council.



Kevin Burckhard graduated with a degree in management and business finance in 1995. He was a member of the men's basketball team from 1992-1994. Kevin was named to many individual honors including NSIC first team all-conference (1993 and 1994), all-region (1994) and first team all-American (1994). He still holds NSU's single season rebound record. Kevin's individual success also translated to team success as he helped lead the Wolves to an NSIC conference championship in 1993, region championships in 1993 and 1994, and NAIA national runner-ups in 1993 and 1994. The teams Kevin played on hold several NSU team records including overall record and most wins. After his playing career at NSU, Kevin went on to play semi-professional basketball in Brazil in 1994. Today he is located back in Aberdeen with his wife, Chris (Swanhorst), and their three children. He works as a business banking sales manager for Dacotah Bank. He is active in the Aberdeen community, serving on various boards.



Doug Coughlin earned his B.S. in sociology with a minor in criminal justice from NSU in 1993. A standout athlete in football and track, he was a three-year starter on the defensive line, accumulating more than 200 career tackles and more than 10 sacks. In 1990, the year the Wolves were conference champions, he led the team in tackles from the nose guard position. He was a two-time first team all-conference selection in football and chosen as team captain in 1991, along with receiving all-American honorable mention in 1990. Doug placed in the top 12 in six national track meets in the shot put, competing in three outdoor and four indoor national championships. He was team captain for track in 1993 and was all-conference in the shot put in both the indoor and outdoor seasons in 1990-1993. Doug and his wife, Erica, live in Pierre with their four children. He is director of training and recruit academy for the South Dakota Highway Patrol. He is also involved in youth sports, coaching football and hockey, and is 3rd Degree Knight with the Knights of Columbus.



Jean Kringstad earned a degree from NSU in biology in 2000. During her time at Northern she was a member of the volleyball team from 1996-1999, earning all-conference honors in the 1997, 1998 and 1999 seasons. She is currently the career leader in block assists (315), second in kills (1,184), third in total blocks (463) and fifth in attacks (3,086). She holds NSU records for individual attack percentage in a season (.335) and for a career (.315). Jean currently lives in Apple Valley, Minn., where she works as the director of invitro testing services for WuXi AppTec Inc. She has been nominated to sit as contributing scientist for an internal scientific review panel three years in a row and was also nominated to be corporate representative for ASTM, a national standards body.



Edmund May earned his B.A. in finance in 1994. He was a standout offensive lineman for the football team from 1990-1993. He was a three-year starter (1991, 1992 and 1993) and did not allow a sack during the 1992 and 1993 seasons with the team utilizing a pro-style passing offense. He accumulated 39 career pancake blocks. Ed helped lead the Wolves to NCIS championships in 1990 and 1992 and was named NSIC all-conference first team in 1992 and 1993. Ed also was named second team NAIA all-American in 1992 and first team all-American the following year. He was awarded the Glen Galagen Award for outstanding male student athlete in 1993 and was also the recipient of the Clark Swisher Award for NSU outstanding male student athlete in 1994. Ed currently resides in Apple Valley, Minn., working as a manager for Menards Inc. He has two children, Faith and Matthew.

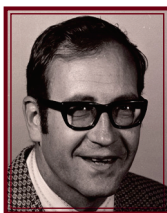
Northern Loses three longtime supporters



*Henry "Harry"
Jasinski*



Donald Vogt



*Robert "Bob"
William Sorge*

THIS SPRING, Northern State University lost three people who made lasting impacts on the Northern community.

Henry "Harry" Jasinski, longtime Wolves announcer and founder of the NSU business department, and Donald Vogt, a standout athlete who was instrumental in starting the NSU wrestling team, both passed away March 19. Jasinski was 84 and Vogt was 80. On May 11, longtime educator and coach Robert "Bob" William Sorge passed away at age 81.

Former NSU athletic director Jim Kretchman knows first-hand how much these men contributed to NSU. They were friends of his as well as friends of Northern.

"It's always sad when some of those people who were kind of the face of Northern for a period of time are no longer there," Kretchman said. "They'll be remembered ... (but) it still leaves you with a little emptiness."

Born in Wisconsin, Jasinski taught at Northern State College and developed the School of Business. Jasinski's honors include Northern State University Honorary Distinguished Alumni and South Dakota Educator of the Year. He was also inducted into the Roncalli Hall of Fame and the NSIC Hall of Fame. Kretchman said Jasinski had a very outgoing, infectious personality. He was very friendly and liked to joke a lot. Jasinski had a good personality for his years of announcing NSU football and basketball games, as well as having an exceptional knowledge of the game itself, Kretchman said.

Kretchman said Jasinski was extremely valuable to his recruiting efforts as football coach. Jasinski had an excellent program, and his personality and enthusiasm for Northern and for athletics was exceptional. "(The department) went from an offering at Northern to a great attraction at Northern under his leadership," Kretchman said. "His contribution to Northern was significant."

Vogt, a Clear Lake native, graduated from Northern State Teachers College. He was a star on both the football field and the track team and was named to the NSU Hall of Fame in 1979. He was also instrumental in starting the wrestling team at Northern. Vogt was involved at Northern in several capacities: graduate assistant, football coach, dean of men, dean of students and director of alumni affairs. Kretchman said he played football with Vogt for one year – and 1953 was an exceptional year in the history of Northern football, as the team was undefeated.

"He was really a significant part of it and major contributor to the success that team had," Kretchman said.

"I remember him just as an outstanding football player and a really good teammate."

As a football player who played at the University of South Dakota and University of Nebraska before coming to Northern, Vogt was big and he was fast, Kretchman said. But for his size, he said, he was really a very gentle person. Vogt was very active as dean and active in the NSU Foundation; he did a lot of things very well. "He contributed a lot to Northern," Kretchman said.

Sorge, a native of Blue Grass, N.D., taught at Northern from 1964 to 1993. Kretchman, who knew Sorge since 1967, said he was a physical education teacher. "He was a professional physical educator, and as such, brought an attitude to the department which was very important to the students and good for the students," Kretchman said. Sorge had great success as a men's tennis coach, he said. His team won multiple NAIA district championships, and he was awarded Coach of the Year six times. Sorge also became head of the physical education department and dean of education. Kretchman said Sorge had great respect in physical education and over campus as well, and he was one of the first to be named NSU's Outstanding Educator of the Year.

"(He was) highly respected in all areas," Kretchman said.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ABERDEEN, S.D.

GOLF TOURNAMENT for NSU Football at Lee Park Golf Course, **Thursday, June 7, 2012**

BRANDON, S.D.

GOLF OUTING AND RECEPTION

Friday, June 22, 2012, 11 a.m., reception following at 5 p.m.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

DALLAS/FORT WORTH RECEPTION

at Frankie's Bar & Grill
Friday, June 29, 2012, 5:30 p.m.

ABERDEEN, S.D.

WACHS GOLF CLASSIC at mocassin Creek Country Club, **July 8-9, 2012**

MOBRIDGE, S.D.

GOLF OUTING AND RECEPTION

Friday, Aug. 3, 2012, noon, reception following at 6 p.m.

SIOUX FALLS, S.D.

SIOUX FALLS TAILGATE

at Tre Lounge in Sioux Falls
Saturday, Sept. 1, 2012, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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ABERDEEN, S.D.

50 YEAR CLUB LUNCHEON

at NSU Campus, **Friday, Oct. 5, 2012, 11:30 a.m.**

ABERDEEN, S.D.

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI/HALL OF FAME BANQUET

at Dakota Event Center, **Friday, Oct. 5, 2012, 5 p.m.**

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ALL DECADES WOMEN'S BASKETBALL REUNION

at Dakota Event Center, **Friday, Oct. 5, 2012, 7 p.m.**

ANAHEIM, CALIF.

JOIN NSU MEN'S BASKETBALL

for the 6th Annual NCAA Div. II West Coast Tip Off Classic
Nov. 9-12, 2012

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NORTHERN NIGHT

at Dakota Event Center, **Saturday, Nov. 17, 2012**

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INDIAN WELLS, CALIF., RECEPTION

Left to right: President James Smith, Doug Berkley '56, Connie Ruhl-Smith, Duane Riedel '47, Bea Premack B'88

Victor Godfrey '63 Watertown, was presented the 2012 Dan Lennon Award. Vic is in his 50th year of coaching track and field.

Leon Tobin '65 Aberdeen, was inducted into the South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

Dean Karlen '67 Aberdeen, was the recipient of the 2012 "Book of Golden Deeds" award given by the Aberdeen Exchange Club to honor those who continuously donate their time and talents to help build a better community.

Michael Walz '68 Golden Valley, Minn., was the recipient of the 2011 Minnesota Prosecutor's Association Meritorious Service Award, given in recognition of his development of a juvenile delinquency diversion program for Minneapolis and surrounding communities. Walz also was recognized for 35 years as a lecturer. Recently retired from prosecution, he is now an adjunct professor of appellate law at the University of Minnesota.

Brent Dykstra '71 Fort Pierre, has been appointed by Gov. Dennis Daugaard to the South Dakota Lottery Commission.

Roger Novotny '71 Fort Pierre, has been appointed by Gov. Dennis Daugaard to the South Dakota Lottery Commission.

Steve Pelzl '72 Aberdeen, has been named Senior Male Golfer of the Year by the South Dakota Golf Association.

C. Scott Johnston '73 Aberdeen, was awarded the 2011 Masters Diamond Award and the 2011 Quality Service Pinnacle Award for Century 21 Investment Realtors of Aberdeen.

Karen (Jacobson) Kinder '73 Brookings, received the 2012 South Dakota Art Educator of the Year Award from the National Art Education Association.

Gary Nelson '73 Aberdeen, retired as Aberdeen Lee Park Golf Course superintendent and general manager after 37 years of service.

Terry Dosch '80 Aberdeen, was selected as finalist for the 2012 National Track and Field Coach of the Year by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association.

Terry Fjeldheim '80 Watertown, was recently promoted to vice president of the Farm Credit Service Watertown marketplace. He has been with Farm Credit for 31 years.

Marlo Jungemann '81 Ray, N.D., retired on May 20, 2011, after 29 years of teaching and coaching football, basketball and track in Ray, N.D.

Richard Vincent '86 Aberdeen, has been appointed by Gov. Daugaard to the Department of Labor and Regulation's Workforce Development Council.

Shaun Wanner '86 Groton, was named Region 1 Coach of the Year by the South Dakota Football Coaches Association.

Cheryl (Johnson) McIntyre '87 Jamestown, N.D., has been selected for North Dakota's National Federation of High School's Outstanding Music Educator Award.

Mark Mehlhoff '87 Aberdeen, has been named to Mutual of Omaha's President's Club for 2011. The President's Club recognizes agents for outstanding sales and service.

Susan Jelleberg '88 Bismarck, N.D., has published two educational activity books for teachers, counselors, parents and social workers: "The Jellybean Jamboree" and "The Best of Individual Counseling."

Mark Vaux '89 Aberdeen, was named director of economic development and community services for West Fargo, N.D.

Steve Keszler '90 Sturgis, recently got his 300th career coaching dual win.

Tim Miles '90 Fort Collins, Colo., was named men's basketball coach for the University of Nebraska.

Jim Appl '92 Aberdeen, won first place in both coins and stamps, and also won best of show at the 44th annual hobby show. The event was sponsored by the Ringneck Coin and Stamp Club of Aberdeen.

Lea Briggs '92 Aberdeen, was named South Dakota Librarian of the Year by the South Dakota Library Association. She was recognized for her contributions as Presentation College library director as well as her previous work as a librarian at Northern.

Karen Duerre-Bodway '92 Fargo, N.D., published a children's book, "The Waterslide," written by her late husband Brett Bodway. Ten percent of author royalties from the book, which teaches kids to overcome fears, will be donated to Big Brothers Big Sisters Program.

Doug Coughlin '93 Pierre, is the director of training and recruit academy for the South Dakota Highway Patrol.

David Rook '93 Aberdeen, was named plant engineering general supervisor for the 3M Aberdeen plant.

Steve Struzyk '94 Reno, Nev., was selected as the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association's Model Coach of the Year for 2012.

Todd Thorson '94 Mina, was named Girl's Cross Country Coach of the Year by the South Dakota High School Coaches Association. He is a teacher and coach for the Ipswich School District.

Eric Kline '95 Aberdeen, was inducted into the South Dakota High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

Loy Woelber '95 Avoca, Minn., was recognized as an Administrator of Excellence by the Minnesota Association of School Administrators.

Wade Rausch '96 Webster, has been named Wrestling Coach of the Year by the South Dakota High School Coaches Association and



I HATE WINTER RECEPTION

left to right: Joe Kramer B'73 MS'77, Mikki (MacNeill) Permann '82, Peggy (Schultz) Bircham '75, Kurt Permann B'68, Larry Bircham B'74 MS'86, Kathy (Dargatz) Kramer B'73 MS'83, Harold Sorknes

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High School Boy's Coach of the Year by the South Dakota Sports Writers Association. He was also selected as the 2011 South Dakota High School Coaches Association Winter Award Winner for wrestling.

Troy Brick '97 *Grenada, West Indies*, is associate professor of large animal medicine and surgery at St. George's University College of Veterinary Medicine located on the Caribbean Island of Grenada in the West Indies.

Ryan Mors '99 *Freeman*, was named Activities Director for the Yankton School District.

Donald Fallgatter '02 *Nashville, Tenn.*, was a contestant on the CMT dating reality show "Sweet Home Alabama." Donald was the lead singer of the country band KingBilly and is now a solo artist.

Will Latu '03 *Saint Petersburg, Fla.*, has signed a national letter of intent to play football at the University of Oklahoma.

Ryan Schimke '03 *Aberdeen*, was promoted to business banking manager for Great Western Bank in Aberdeen. He has 12 years of experience in the financial services industry and previously worked as a business banker with U.S. Bank. He has worked for Great Western Bank since 2007.

Benjamin Victor '04 *Aberdeen*, NSU artist in residence, has been named to Prairie Business magazine's "40 under 40" list.

Craig Nelson '07 *Brandon*, has been named the head boys' basketball coach at Washington High School in Sioux Falls.

Tyler Oliver '08 *Aberdeen*, was promoted to marketing manager at the Aberdeen American News.

Dan DeWitt '09 *Lino Lakes, Minn.*, was named head men's basketball coach for Mayville State University. He will also serve as the university's sports information director.



DENVER RECEPTION

Bryan DeBates
B'93, President
James Smith

Jerry Kuhn '10 *Linton, N.D.*, was hired as an accountant and leader in the payroll department, as well as a QuickBooks ProAdvisor, for Mahlum Goodhart PC of Mandan, N.D.

Jack Von Wald, Friend *Aberdeen*, was awarded the 2011 Fred J. Nichol Award for Outstanding Jurist by the South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association.

Larry Wild, Faculty/Staff *Aberdeen*, was presented the 2011 Excellence in Performance Award by NSU's Employee Achievement and Recognition committee.

Dean Zimmerman, Faculty/Staff *Aberdeen*, was honored with the 2011 Excellence in Performance Award by NSU's Employee Achievement and Recognition committee.

ANNIVERSARIES

Bert Rystrom '41 *Columbia*, and wife, **Alice (Kluck) '41**, celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary.

Kathryn (Kahoe) Compton '48 *Wichita, Kan.*, and husband, **Billy '48**, celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on Feb. 25, 2012.

Raymond Schmidt '50 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Genevieve, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Nov. 8, 2011.

Donald Dennert '59 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Norma, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on Feb. 29, 2012.

INDIAN WELLS, CALIF., RECEPTION

Left to right: Jeff Erickson B'80, Linda (Deiter) Erickson '79, Roger Legge, Vicki (Wiltfang) Lust B'75, Barbara Legge, Rhoda (Howson) Berkley '56, Tami Nelson, Amy Kessler

Georgia (Binfet) Himmerich '67

Roscoe, and husband, **Leo '58**, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 20, 2011.

Donald Malsom '68 *Mina*, and wife, Jenny, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Nov. 27, 2011.

Sandra (Tripp) Schryer '72 *Centerville*, and husband, Richard, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Sheila (Beaver) Richards '76 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Carlyle, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 23, 2011.

Joan (Skaare) Ernst '80 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Ron, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Nov. 1, 2011.

Preston Schultz '86 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Mary, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on Nov. 14, 2011.

John Wockenfuss '90 *Sioux City, Iowa*, will celebrate his 20th wedding anniversary to wife, Deborah, on July 24, 2012.

Darlene (Goehring) Aho '91 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Leonard, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 4, 2011.

Clayton and Helen Welke, Friends, *Redfield*, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on June 1, 2011.

Larry and Sharon Wirebaugh, Friends, *Aberdeen*, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 30, 2011.

Leland and Ruth Yada, Friends, *Redfield*, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on Nov. 10, 2011.

NSU SOCCER REUNION

kneeling left to right: Kelly Lucht B'04, Dee Wood B'11 first row left to right: Alisha Martinez B'10, Maggie Fedor B'11, Mel Gamble B'07, Kendra Titze B'11, Jill Laydon B'06, Larissa Strychun B'08, Jessi Hambrick B'07, Jessi Tuomi B'09, Kira Wannebo B'09 second row left to right: Kit Grace B'09, Laura (Skog) DeWitt B'10, Kirbie Wages B'11, Kelsey Vinnadge B'08, Summer (Swan) Jark B'09 MS'11, Stephanie Connolly B'10, Maggie Madrid B'09, Aleasha DeVaney B'10, Erin Deibert B'11, Kelly Dunsmore B'10, Lissa Heaviland B'06, Lara Steen B'06



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CHANDLER, ARIZ., RECEPTION

Left to right: Angeline (Poppenhagen) Vikesland B'71, MS'78, Betty (Lovett) Westall B'65, Salona Wachs, Leann (Jones) Fredrickson B'65



DENVER RECEPTION

Kara Sand B'03,
Tim Redetzke B'02,
Chris Pederson B'98



BIRTHS

Sarah (Keller) Hanten '98 *Groton*, and husband, Cody, a son, Gavin John, on Dec. 4, 2011.

Jessica (Wagner) Kjenstad '99 *Aberdeen*, and husband, **Alan '00**, a son, Abram Lee, on Oct. 4, 2011.

Rebecca (Stoller) Christiansen '01 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Brandon, a daughter, Sophia Brynn, on Oct. 31, 2011.

Laura (Joachim) Melius '01 *Cresbard*, and husband, David, a daughter, Rachel Olivia, on Dec. 14, 2011.

Kelly (Bosse) Mills '01 *Britton*, and husband, Jeff, a son, Levi Nicholas, on Dec. 16, 2011.

John Bender '02 *Kennebec*, and wife, **Jackie (Schwan) '04**, a son, Jaxson Ray, on April 9, 2012.

Linda (Novstrup) Friez '02 *Sioux Falls*, and husband, **Ryan '03**, a daughter, Evalyn Joy, on Sept. 2, 2011.

Jessica (Boyer) Halvorson '02 *Mellette*, and husband, Roger, a daughter, Brenna Claire, on Jan. 4, 2012.

Amy (Bertsch) Struck '02 *Fairfield, Calif.*, and husband, Marcus, a son, Alex Blaine, on Jan. 13, 2012.

Heidi (Bartell) Nash '04 *Belle Fourche*, and husband, George, a son, Jacob Allen, on Jan. 6, 2012.

Mitch Hanson '05 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Tyneille, a son, Cash Logan, on Oct. 7, 2011.

Chad Miller '05 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Terri, a son, Cohan Isaac, on March 16, 2012.

Joseph Moore '05 *Aberdeen*, and wife, Tiffany, a son, Declan James, on Oct. 19, 2011.

Krista (Haaland) Charlton '06 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Wade, a daughter, Brice Lynn Ann, on Jan. 20, 2012.

Rose (Coughlin) Kramp '06

Brentford, and husband, David, a daughter, Theresa Colleen, on March 1, 2012.

Matthew Trevor '06 *Warner*, and wife, Jenna, a son, Bennett Matthew, on Dec. 19, 2011.

April (Guthmiller) Abeln '08 *Groton*, and husband, Branden, a son, Axle Ray, on June 10, 2011.

Seth Klipfel '08 *Forbes, N.D.*, and wife, Candice, a son, Noah Seth, on Nov. 8, 2011.

Jessica (Deuel) Hagen '09 *Aberdeen*, and husband, Eric, a son, Jackson Dean, on Sept. 28, 2011.

Kyle Stoddard '11 *Bath*, and wife, **Jennifer (Himes) '09**, a daughter, Kamryn Rose, on Jan. 19, 2012.

BIRTHDAYS

Howard Dahme '41 *Aberdeen*, celebrated his 90th birthday on Oct. 8, 2011.

Lorraine (Wittmeier) Kirschenmann '69 *Aberdeen*, celebrated her 80th birthday on Nov. 8, 2011.

Kenneth Thompson '89 *Aberdeen*, celebrated his 85th birthday on Nov. 10, 2011.

Robert Omland, Friend, Aberdeen, celebrated his 90th birthday on Oct. 28, 2011.

WEDDINGS

Rob Krege '86 *Webster*, married Sheila Grismer on Sept. 17, 2011.

Joann Nelson '90 *Sisseton*, married Curtis Curran on Aug. 5, 2011.

Lesli Melius '99 *Faulkton*, married Joshua Jensen on Sept. 10, 2011. The couple is living in Aberdeen.

Stefanie Rossow '00 *Aberdeen*, married Paul Weiss on Nov. 4, 2011. The couple is living in Mellette.

Tessa Schultis '02 *Aberdeen*, married Randy Schabot on July 30, 2011.

Kellie Parker '07 *Pierre*, married Justin Tollefson on Sept. 4, 2011.

Melissa Schuh '08 *Bowdle*, married Patrick Hanson on Aug. 27, 2011. The couple is living in Aberdeen.

Melissa Arnold '09 *Aberdeen*, married Jordan Pagel on June 18, 2011.

Matthew Walberg '10 *Wahpeton, N.D.*, married Hannah Heidelberger in January 2012.

Renae Rohrbach '11 *Aberdeen*, married Matt Schatz on June 11, 2011.



SUN CITY WEST, ARIZ., RECEPTION

Left to right: Dale Cooper B'59, Jack Clark '57, Lowell Christensen, Louise (Ham) Clark B'58, Sandy Christensen, Helen Cooper, Jane (Sheldon) Hawk '56



HAZEL (HOI) OVERBY MURDOCK '32

Hazel (Hoi) Overby Murdock '32 *Portland, Ore.*, celebrated her 100th birthday on Feb. 26, 2012. She is the oldest living graduate of Brentford High School in Brentford. Hazel attended Northern in 1932 and moved to Oregon in 1942, where she was a school teacher for many years. She was married to Lyle Overby from 1934 until his death in 1976. Hazel then married Wally Murdock in 1982, and he passed away in 2005.

Neva (Wynn) Sheeley '30 *Idaho Falls, Idaho*, on March 25, 2012.

Eileen (Klein) Bell '32 *Brookings*, on May 31, 2011.

Gertrude (Reich) Luckow '35 *Rochester, Minn.*, on Jan. 10, 2012.

Margaret Simon '35 *Murfreesboro, Tenn.*, on Jan. 7, 2012.

Bernice (Hedblom) Theeler '37 *Aberdeen*, on Feb. 5, 2012.

Dora (Diedtrich) Eisenbeisz '40 *Aberdeen*, on Nov. 23, 2011.

Leota (Broadbent) Ewers '40 *Citrus Heights, Calif.*, on March 25, 2012.

Harriette (Weaver) Kelly '40 *Huron*, on Oct. 18, 2011.

Erva (Schaeffer) Neuharth '40 *Eureka*, on Feb. 24, 2012.

Evelyn (Carlson) Handwerk '41 *Schuylkill Haven, Pa.*, on Feb. 17, 2012.

Sanrow Koerner '41 *Eureka*, on Dec. 4, 2011.

Warren Port '41 *Blythe, Calif.*, on Sept. 13, 2011.

Kathryn (Peterson) Sampson '41 *Flandreau*, on Oct. 25, 2011.

Jennie (Melland) Flakoll '42 *Forbes, N.D.*, on Feb. 26, 2012.

Bernice (Ross) Andrews '43 *Houghton*, on Jan. 2, 2012.

Eithal (Hanson) Curry '43 *Machesney Park, Ill.*, on Jan. 10, 2012.

Wallace Halverson '43 *Pierre*, on Oct. 26, 2011.

Adeline (Jung) Maier '43 *Aberdeen*, on Oct. 29, 2011.

Laverna McCrea '43 *Saint Paul, Minn.*, on March 4, 2012.

Michael Ronayne '43 *Aberdeen*, on April 2, 2012.

Mildred (Dunker) Williams '43 *Brentford*, on Feb. 11, 2012.

Fern (White) Miracle '44 *Boise, Idaho*, on March 11, 2012.

Leonard Stehr '46 *St. Bonifacius, Minn.*, on Jan. 19, 2012.

Dianne (Deloy) Craft '47 *Mellette*, on Feb. 29, 2012.

Delories (Walkins) Bennett '48 *Polsom, Calif.*, on April 1, 2011.

Daniel Beck '49 *Sun City West, Ariz.*, on Dec. 28, 2011.

Hiram Kusler '50 *Aberdeen*, on Feb. 13, 2012.

Arlene (Hjermstad) Grimes '51 *Mesa, Ariz.*, on March 18, 2012.

Jerome Johnke '51 *Chester*, Aug. 21, 2011.

Phyllis (Lillemoe) Krikac-Wells '51 *Aberdeen*, on Feb. 12, 2012.

Herman Pickus '51 *Aberdeen*, on Jan. 6, 2012.

F. Maurice Evans '52 *Kerrville, Texas*, on Dec. 27, 2011.

Lawrence Engel '54 *Coupeville, Wash.*, on Feb. 13, 2012.

John Kuecker '54 *Kearney, Neb.*, on Dec. 27, 2011.

Dr. Lloyd 'Lefty' Turnwall '54 *Huron*, on Dec. 27, 2011.

James Labesky '55 *Frederick*, on Dec. 30, 2011.

Richard Protexter '55 *Aberdeen*, on Nov. 10, 2011.

Paul Schwarting '56 *Ridgedale, Mo.*, on Jan 26, 2012.

Don Vogt '57 *Aberdeen*, on March 19, 2012.

Duane Podoll '58 *Grenville*, on Dec. 7, 2011.

Norman Anderson '59 *Billings, Mont.*, on Oct. 25, 2011.

Cale Neal '59 *Worthing*, on Dec. 17, 2011.

Charles A. Strom '59 *Groton*, on Oct. 22, 2011.

Robert Dedrickson '60 *Groton*, on March 26, 2012.

Lloyd Hamre '60 *Casper, Wyo.*, on June 13, 2011.



SIoux FALLS PRE-GAME RECEPTION

Left to right: Arden Gilbert B'71, Kurt Permann B'68, Mikki (MacNeill) Permann '82, Wes Gienger '74

William O. Freitag '61 *Leola*, on Oct. 29, 2011.

Leonard Edwards '62 *Spearfish*, on Feb. 24, 2012.

Stella (Bailey) Stevenson '62 *Faulkton*, on Feb. 5, 2012.

Opal (Crutchfield) Cussons '63 *Webster*, on March 30, 2012.

Judith (Wasserburger) Haedt '63 *Indian Head Park, Ill.*, on April 11, 2012.

Ron Gilbreath '64 *Palm Springs, Calif.*, on July 20, 2011.

Steven Lamport '64 on Dec. 25, 2011.

Francis Sack '64 *Fort Pierre*, on Oct. 26, 2011.

Rita (Mitchell) Vollmer '64 *Mellette*, on Oct. 14, 2011.

Joyce (Washnok) Way '64 *Overland Park, Kan.*, on Dec. 10, 2011.

William Collins Jr '66 *Spearfish*, on Dec. 3, 2011.

T. Sydney Mortenson '66 *Aberdeen*, on Dec. 19, 2011.

Dennis Napton '66 *Sioux Falls*, on Feb. 10, 2012.

John Thurn '66 *Eureka*, on Dec. 13, 2011.

Nancy (Waller) Kinsella '67 *Bloomington, Minn.*, on Jan. 8, 2012.

Larry Lutz '67 *Champlin, Minn.*, on Oct. 25, 2011.

Gertrude (Buntrock) Rehfeld '67 *Warner*, on Jan. 18, 2012.

Larry Eisenbeisz '68 *St. Paul, Minn.*, on Feb. 23, 2012.



REMEMBERING DR. ROBERT THOMPSON

Dr. Robert Thompson of Aberdeen, 1941 graduate and longtime NSU history and government professor, died June 2, 2011. Dr. Thompson was an accomplished speaker who was called into action at many Memorial Day celebrations, service club gatherings and graduations. Originally hired to fill in for another social science professor for nine months, Dr. Thompson stayed on for 39 years at Northern. He touched many lives and inspired students to become great readers and teachers.

Doris Attebery '69 *Aberdeen*, on Dec. 4, 2011.

Donald Fordham '69 *Aberdeen*, on Feb. 15, 2012.

Kenneth Purpur '69 *Rapid City*, on June 5, 2011.

Esther May (Blake) Urban '69 *Aberdeen*, on Dec. 1, 2011.

Frank Heinz '70 *Aberdeen*, on Nov. 10, 2011.

Barry Huitema '70 *Glendale Heights, Ill.*, on Oct. 25, 2011.

Gary Mischke '70 *Sioux Falls*, on Feb. 15, 2012.

Bradley Becker '71 *Springfield, Mo.*, on Oct. 22, 2011.

Gladys (Haliburton) Birney '71 *Waubay*, on Feb. 11, 2012.

Gary Diedtrich '71 *Custer*, on Nov. 15, 2011.

Nellie Eldeen '71 *Redfield*, on Jan. 27, 2012.

Dianne (Samuelson) Safford '71 *Waterloo, Neb.*, on April 8, 2012.

Dr. Robert Ristow '72 *Midland, Texas*, on March 2, 2012.

Eunice (Stebbins) Holmstrom '73 *Faulkton*, on Dec. 21, 2011.

Chantel (Houde) Sebek '73 *Claire City*, on Jan. 13, 2012.

Bruce Mettler '74 *Mobridge*, on Oct. 22, 2011.

William L. Riechers '74 *Volga*, on June 2, 2011.

Kay (Morrissey) Donovan '83 *Groton*, on Feb. 8, 2012.

Maureen (Theisen) Niewenhuis '84 *Aberdeen*, on April 16, 2012.

Agatha (Gruenwald) Sherman '85 *Rockham*, on Oct. 21, 2011.

Douglas Swift '85 *Wanblee*, on Jan. 30, 2012.

Dan Cavanaugh '93 *Aberdeen*, on Jan. 15, 2012.

Duayne B. Tullar '95 *Aberdeen*, on Feb. 11, 2012.

Dr. Harry Jasinski, Faculty/Staff *Aberdeen*, on March 19, 2012.

Robert "Bob" William Sorge, Faculty/Staff *Sun City West, Ariz.*, on May 11, 2012.

Myrle Hanson, Faculty/Staff *Spearfish*, on April 11, 2012.

Lowell Nall, Friend *Aberdeen*, on Dec. 2, 2011.



SIoux FALLS PRE-GAME RECEPTION

Left to right: Connie (Mischke) Deibert B'78, Ravonne Deibert '77, Glenn Wegehaupt, Peggy (Kusler) Wegehaupt B'79

Jean Tribble, Friend *Aberdeen*, on Jan. 10, 2012.

Lester Preszler, Friend *Aberdeen*, on Jan. 20, 2012.

Dean Shortridge, Friend *Aberdeen*, on Jan. 27, 2012.

Patricia Jahde, Friend *Denver, Colo.*, on Feb. 19, 2012.

Judy Rezatto, Friend *Aberdeen*, on March 22, 2012.

Raymond Schutz, Friend *Aberdeen*, on March 30, 2012.

Lester Dennis, Friend *Mellette*, on March 26, 2012.

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