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Students are flocking to the renovated Jim Dan Hill Library and the new Yellowjacket Union. See why on pages 4-5 and 6-7.



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Swenson Hall taking shape for early 2011 completion

Swenson Hall is quickly taking shape on the northwest corner of campus as workers complete its steel frame and begin to enclose the building.

Work on the building began last July. This fall workers began erecting its frame using 600 tons of American-made steel fabricated in Wisconsin.

The 144,000-square-foot, \$32 million building is the largest construction project in the university's history. When completed in early 2011, it will combine cutting-edge learning spaces and technology with environmental sustainability.

Grant teams mentors with sixth-graders

A \$100,000 grant through the University of Wisconsin System Growth Agenda is enabling UW-Superior to work with Superior Middle School to help more youths graduate and pursue higher education.

The grant funds UW-Superior's Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness in Superior, or GEARS, a new program to provide the middle school students and their families with the means to see higher education as a possibility.

Under GEARS, UW-Superior trains university students to become tutors and mentors. The university students are then matched one-to-one with selected sixth-graders to tutor them and to connect them and their families to cultural and recreational activities at the university.

Student-athletes earn academic honors

For the seventh time in nine years, University of Wisconsin-Superior student-athletes earned the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Academic Award for the Yellowjacket athletic program.

The WIAC Academic Award is presented each year to conference members whose student-athletes post a higher overall grade point average

than their university's undergraduate student body as a whole. For the 2008-2009 academic year, Yellowjacket student-athletes recorded a total cumulative GPA of 2.992 compared to 2.964 for the student body overall.

Deadrick posts 100th volleyball win

Lynne Deadrick recorded her 100th win as UW-Superior volleyball coach when her Yellowjackets defeated UW-Stevens Point on Oct. 24.

"It's a nice milestone," Deadrick said. "When I came to UW-Superior, I was looking to help the program develop. I think through hard work we're getting to where we need to be to compete in our conference."

The Yellowjackets finished the season with 12 wins, leaving Deadrick two wins away from becoming the team's winningest coach. Marcia Engebretson, who coached volleyball from 1991 to 1996, is the current record-holder at 104-89. If Deadrick surpasses Engebretson in total victories, she will become the 14th all-time winningest coach in WIAC volleyball.

More on our website

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Scientists at UW-Superior working to turn northern plants into affordable bio-fuel

Scientists from UW-Superior and American Science and Technology Corp. are using \$3.75 million in federal defense funding in a collaborative effort to develop a sustainable production process for bio-based jet fuel that burns easily at low temperatures.

Fuels derived from plants – so-called bio-fuels – could hold the key to the United States reducing its reliance on foreign oil. Currently, commercial bio-fuels are expensive to produce and perform poorly at low temperatures, making them ill-suited for military use.

The research at UW-Superior is aimed at developing manufacturing technologies that can produce bio-JP-8 fuel from domestic resources. The scientists are analyzing plants from northern Wisconsin and northern Minnesota to determine whether the properties that enable plants to survive the region's winter

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temperatures make them suitable for creating bio-fuels that perform well at low temperature.

AST President Dr. Ali Manesh said his company worked with the U.S. Army Research Lab to determine that developing a process to make bio-JP-8 would help address one of the Army's most critical problems. His company sought out UW-Superior as a partner because the university has strong programs in biology and chemistry, and its Lake Superior Research Institute staff is experienced in handling large-scale research and development projects.

Several UW-Superior students also are involved in the project, gaining research experience and using state-of-the-art equipment purchased for the project.

UW-Superior ranks third among UW System campuses in the amount of federal research money received. The funding enables university scientists to conduct research while helping students gain experience in applied science.

"Teaching and research are part of what defines being a faculty member, and our professors' research is often an extension of their teaching," said Vice Chancellor and Provost Dr. Christopher Markwood. "At UW-Superior, involving our students in research enhances their learning experience and enhances the mentoring relationship our faculty members have with students."

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Saving an ancient art

With determination and a zest for mathematics, Class of '69 grad Dennis White carries on a nearly extinct method of weaving. Now, the National Museum of the American Indian is helping him to expand and share his knowledge.

He began with a mathematical eye for numbers and patterns. Then, with a book and lessons from a few elders, Dennis White set out on a 35-year journey into the world of finger weaving – an ancient Native American art form that today is nearly extinct.

In recent months that journey has taken White, a 1969 UW-Superior graduate, to Washington, D.C., as one of four people from across the United States selected for the 2009-2010 Artist Leadership Program conducted by the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian. Over the course of the year White is studying, consulting with Smithsonian experts, sharing his knowledge, and working to foster a new generation of weavers.

For White, finger weaving is an all-consuming hobby that enables him to maintain a connection with his heritage while also preserving an ancient art form.

The son of Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe parents, White grew up in Superior and majored in mathematics at UW-Superior. He moved to the Hayward, Wis., area in 1976. Today he is administrator of the pre-K-through-12 Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School. His wife Cleora also is a UW-Superior graduate.

Not long after arriving at the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation, White became intrigued by finger weaving, in which weavers use their fingers instead of a loom to knot and weave yarn to make sashes, armbands, bags and other items.

He found precious few resources to help him get started.

"I learned from a book, and from a couple of the elder ladies from here who helped me out," he said.

He began by weaving a sash using a pattern he saw in his book. Then he began using patterns from sashes he saw worn at pow wows. He began weaving other items, such as bags, and creating his own patterns.

Fascinated by mathematics since third grade, White found his academic knowledge vital to his weaving. He sees numbers in patterns, and is intrigued by multiples and symmetry.

"Almost everything (in weaving) has to be viewed from that mathematical standpoint," he said.

He uses mathematics to create patterns for

yarn. If a pattern he envisions doesn't work, he writes out a mathematical solution. He keeps notebooks filled with sketches of designs and the mathematical formulas to create them. Over the years he's also devised his own weaving techniques.

It's a time-consuming art form, which White believes discourages people from pursuing it. He estimates he spends 20 to 30 hours weaving a sash. He's spent more than 100 hours weaving a belt.

He sticks with it "because it's like an addiction to do weaving," he said. "I've always got to do a little bit more to see what the next design will look like. And my daughter will give me a challenge, like she says she wants a bag with butterflies on it. I've never done

butterflies before, so I try to come up with one with butterflies. Or my wife asked for a case for a hand drum, so I had to do that."

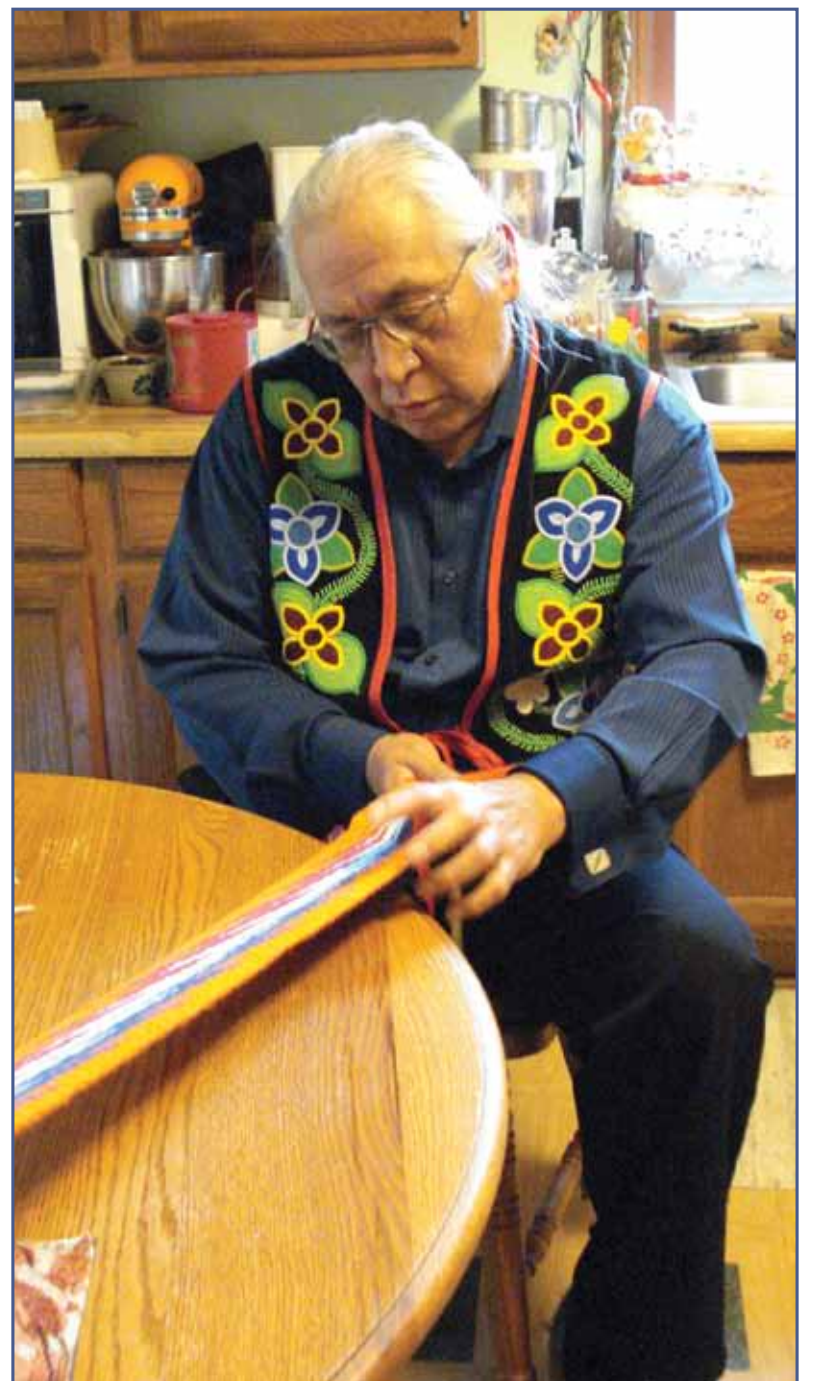
Improving his work and preserving the art form is a goal that White shares with

the National Museum of the American Indian's Indigenous Contemporary Arts Program, which includes the Artist Leadership Program. The leadership program enables indigenous artists to research, document, network, and develop skills to enhance artistic growth and strengthen career development.

Through the program, White traveled to Washington, D.C., last December to conduct research at the museum, located on The National Mall. Finger weaving is so rare today that the staff wanted him to examine the approximately 35 examples of the art in the museum's collection. He also conducted research at other museums in the area, and received training from museum staff in creating an electronic portfolio and a website for his work.

In addition to consulting with the museum staff, White spoke to the public about finger weaving as part of the museum's "A Day with the Artists" event for visitors.

The art program also enables White to introduce others to finger weaving. His plans



Working at his kitchen table, Dennis White uses the nearly extinct art of finger weaving to make a ceremonial sash. (Photo courtesy of Cleora White.)

include holding an artists' workshop this winter at Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe Community College near Hayward. The workshop includes weaving and integration of Ojibwe language, culture, art, and mathematics.

White hopes the workshop will generate enough interest in the community that he can expand it into a course to be offered at the college. He also wants to use his notebooks as the basis for a new book on finger weaving. Those steps will take him even farther on his journey as he becomes the elder sharing the art with a new generation of weavers.

An information center for the 21st Century

Renovation Facts

Renovating Jim Dan Hill Library turned a building erected in 1968 into an information and research center for the 21st century.

Here's what it includes:

Main Level – Reference and service desks, Information Commons, browsing area and study rooms.

Upper Level – Library Instruction Lab, study rooms, special collections and study spaces.

Lower Level – Converted from a little-used basement, this level now houses much of the library's collection.

- Study seating for 382 (compared to 214 before renovation)
- Study rooms – 13 (compared to five before renovation)
- Building uses Category 6 data cable to carry more information at higher speeds.
- Wireless access throughout the building
- Additional outlets for laptop computers
- Glass walls – Two-story glass walls on the north and south sides of the library bring natural light into the building to reduce energy needed for lighting. Building lights automatically dim during the day to save energy

Your gifts have impact

Gifts from alumni and friends of UW-Superior were critical to the success of the Jim Dan Hill Library renovation project.

Among those making gifts:

- Hal Mattson, Class of '68, gave a gift in honor of all members of the Mattson family who have attended UW-Superior. The Mattson Family Archivist Office is named for them.
- Dr. Ann Rock, Class of '70, gave a gift in memory of her parents. The John A. and Ruth M. Rock Group Study Room is named for them.

You can still be part of the Jim Dan Hill Library renovation. Your gift also may allow you to put your name or the name of a person you love or respect on a designated area of campus or on a specific initiative. For more information, contact the University Advancement Office at 888-893-8593 or advancement@uwsuper.edu.

More photos online

See more photos of the completed Jim Dan Hill Library on the UW-Superior alumni website at www.uwsuper.edu/alumni.



Jonathan Leland, a senior from Superior, uses the Information Commons to complete an assignment for his tax and intermediate accounting courses. He said he's become a frequent user of the library because of the renovation.

Renovated Jim Dan Hill Library reopens to acclaim as bright, inviting and technologically advanced

On a Wednesday morning early in the Fall 2009 semester, Jim Dan Hill Library was bustling.

On the main floor, students occupied nearly every work station in the Information Commons. On the upper level, an instructor used the Library Instruction Lab's computer-linked "Smart Board" to lead her class through an assignment. Throughout the building, tables and overstuffed chairs were occupied by students working alone or in small groups.

All this on a warm, sunny day with mid-terms and final exams still in the distant future – that's how popular UW-Superior's newly renovated library is among students.

Jim Dan Hill Library reopened in late August 2009 after undergoing a \$7.7 million renovation funded with money from the state and from UW-Superior alumni and friends through Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations*. During the yearlong project the building's interior was stripped to the bare concrete and rebuilt as a user friendly and environmentally friendly information center for the 21st century.

The library now offers everything from more study areas for students working in small groups to more electrical outlets for those using laptop computers. Patrons enjoy wireless computer access throughout the building, or they can use desktop computers linked to the building's high-capacity data cables. The previously little-used basement is now brightly lit and packed with books. Overall, the library is bright, comfortable and technologically advanced.

"We're definitely seeing more students in the library, and they're using all of our study spaces and study rooms."

The Information Commons, an area of computer work stations that can be used by students working alone or in small groups, "seems to be in use nearly all the time," said Deb Nordgren, interim library director. And students are using the study rooms with video equipment, and they love the overstuffed arm chairs and sofas with "tablet arms" – swing-out wooden arms that provide a spacious flat surface for a laptop computer, writing tablet or book.

After the first few weeks of operation, library employees already were seeing a noticeable increase in the number of students visiting the library – which is exactly what they and others had in mind during the years spent planning the renovation.

"We're definitely seeing more students in the library, and they're using all of our study spaces and study rooms," Nordgren said. "It's really exciting."

Finding someone who isn't pleased with the "new" library may be impossible. Students new to campus are impressed. Students who used the library before its makeover are quite impressed.

"It's user-friendly for doing homework," said Jonathan Leland, a senior from Superior who's majoring in accounting and finance.

Leland estimated he had visited the library just five times during his college career – until last fall. Now he's a regular user who finds that the Information Commons, with its spacious work stations, desktop computers, high-capacity data cables, and plenty of electrical outlets, is ideal for doing homework and research.

"The computer set-up is nice," he added. "It's an inviting place."

Hailey Hart, a sophomore elementary education major from Osseo, Wis., was snuggled down in a comfortable chair with her feet propped on an ottoman as she pored over a reading assignment.

She had never been in the building before this fall because last year, when she was a freshman, the library was temporarily housed in Rothwell Student Center. But she's certainly impressed with the library now, and with its variety of comfortable and attractive study areas.

"It's great," she said enthusiastically. "It's a nice quiet place to study."

"It feels a lot more welcoming ... this building was built primarily with convenience and the needs of students in mind."

"Great" also was the assessment of Susan Hoak of Superior, a producer at WDIO-TV who was putting in daily appearances at the library while writing her thesis for her master of arts degree in communicating arts.

She was working at a table near one of the new floor-to-ceiling glass walls that use natural light to brighten the building's interior to make it more attractive to users and reduce energy consumption.

The table also was near several electrical outlets, so she could easily plug in her laptop computer – something that wasn't always possible before the renovation.

She likes the renovated library's brighter atmosphere and its emphasis on technology.

"It feels a lot more welcoming," she said. "It's nice to be in a place that isn't just adding new technology here and there to an old facility. It appears this building was built primarily with convenience and the needs of students in mind."

Nordgren said Jim Dan Hill Library is generating so much buzz that one student said she and her friends had bestowed upon it the ultimate compliment – they had been writing about it on their Facebook pages.

"Just the idea that students are talking about us on Facebook really amazes me," she said.



Top, floor-to-ceiling "glass walls" on two sides of the building use natural light to illuminate the interior and make the library a brighter, more attractive place to study. Above, the previously little-used basement now houses the book and periodical collection in a quiet but brightly lit setting. Left, the Library Instruction Lab offers the latest learning technology, including a Smart Board and wireless Internet access.

On the cover: Students gather at one of the two gas fireplaces that serve as centerpieces of study and browsing areas.

Yellowjacket Union



UW-Superior's new student union brings people together, provides a dynamic center of campus life, serves the community, and is easy on the environment.

UW-Superior added another remarkable building to its campus in January when students gathered with a large crowd of alumni and community members to symbolically “light the lantern” to signal the opening of the new \$22 million Yellowjacket Union.

“The Yellowjacket Union is a dynamic building that will serve our students as well as provide a place where people from campus and community will meet for many types of events,” said Chancellor Julius Erlenbach. “I’m impressed that students voted in 2004 to raise their fees to pay for this building, and I’m grateful that alumni and friends of the university have stepped forward to help with gifts through Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations.*”

The design vision behind the Yellowjacket Union was to create a building that serves as a

“lantern of student life” on campus. A wall of glass with a southern exposure, a soaring atrium with wood ceiling, meeting rooms on a second level that overlooks the main floor, fireplaces, lounges, and open dining areas make the building an inviting place for students to gather.

Since opening, the Yellowjacket Union has become one of the busiest places on campus. With its innovative design, it immediately began earning rave reviews from students.

“It’s so neat. It’s all so open,” said Amy Jarecki, an elementary education major from Ashland, Wis.

“I like the open layout. It’s a very interesting building, very modern,” said Cassie Ward, an exercise science major from Duluth, adding that she expects to spend a lot of time in the new building.

The Yellowjacket Union includes the ‘Jacket Café, which features different serving stations for different types of meals along with a variety of table, booth and counter seating. ‘Jacket Java offers a place to pick up coffee before moving on to class, and the open Brick Oven Grille sends the aroma of pizza wafting through the area.

Other features include ‘Jacket Book & Supply, a Great Room for hosting large events, fully equipped meeting rooms, and numerous

offices for student organizations and student services. Computer kiosks and wireless Internet access throughout the building enable students to turn overstuffed chairs and secluded nooks into study spots.

Another feature is Suite 230, a spacious area that includes the university’s Career Services office. Students can use this area to access web-based career and job-hunting resources, attend seminars to build career and leadership skills, and meet with job recruiters.

A key part of the Yellowjacket Union is environmental sustainability. It’s designed to make maximum use of natural light. Mechanical systems use significantly less energy and water than older buildings, and a sloping “green roof” is covered with a mat of vegetation that absorbs rainwater to reduce the building’s impact on neighborhood storm runoff. The building is expected to receive LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver Certification, highlighting the university’s commitment to environmental sustainability and energy-efficient operations.

The Yellowjacket Union is UW-Superior’s second new building of the 21st century (the Health & Wellness Center opened in 2003), and it’s helping to continue the university’s drive to provide students with modern facilities flexible enough to serve the campus for decades to come.

“It’s a beautiful building that gives students a space that’s bright and clean and has new technology,” said Kathy Hooper Pykkonen, a Class of ‘01 graduate who now directs Career Services in the Yellowjacket Union. “The students worked very hard for this building and they deserve it.”

More photos online

See more photos of the Yellowjacket Union on the UW-Superior alumni website at www.uwsuper.edu/alumni.



Yellowjacket Union Facts

The Yellowjacket Union serves as the center of student life on campus, offering dining facilities, a bookstore, offices for student services, lounge areas and meeting rooms for student, university and public use.

- The building's name combines the **Yellowjacket** athletic team name and the historic concept of the student **union**.
- Size: 90,000 square feet
- Cost: \$22 million.
- Funding sources: A student center cannot receive money from the state's capital budget. The Yellowjacket Union was funded largely by a voluntary increase in student fees. Gifts to Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations* provide substantial support for this project.
- The Yellowjacket Union replaces Rothwell Student Center, which needed extensive and costly renovation. Rothwell will be dismantled this spring and much of its materials recycled.

Your gifts have impact

Many alumni and friends of UW-Superior made gifts to the Yellowjacket Union project through Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations*. Among them:

- Minnesota Power Foundation made a gift to honor alumnus Don Shippar, chairman and chief executive officer of Allele Inc. The Shippar Atrium is named for him.
- Family members of the late Joe Moline made a gift to recognize his years of service as director of student activities and dean of students. The Joseph H. Moline Dean of Students Office is named in his honor.
- The family of the late Edward Rutledge, Class of 1983, made a gift to honor him. The student gathering area near the building's entrance is named for him.

You can still be part of the Yellowjacket Union project. Your gift will help reduce the amount of debt future students must pay for the building. For more information, contact the University Advancement Office at 888-893-8593 or advancement@uwsuper.edu.



Facing page, the dynamic front of the Yellowjacket Union faces south toward Old Main. Top, Raymond Zylka, a music education major from Duluth, and Cassie Ward, an exercise science major from Duluth, were among the building's first enthusiastic users. Above, the open floor plan is flexible and encourages people to mingle. Left, booths are popular dining spots in the Union Café, which also offers table and counter seating.

On the cover: The Shippar Atrium provides a central gathering space, performance area and attractive lounge for students.

Your gifts can change a student's life

"Thanks to your generous support I am the first in my family to attend college, and this scholarship has given me the idea that there is nothing unattainable."

Charles Obije
Duluth, Minn.

"You have aided me in my quest for higher education and helped me in my first step toward a career in the medical field."

Sarah Forstrom
Ironwood, Mich.

"I am delving into the tougher classes of my biology major and chemistry minor including Anatomy and Physiology, Organic Chemistry and others. I will need to focus on these classes, and thanks to your scholarship, will have the time to do that."

Kirsten Gutting
Deer Park, Wis.

"Thank you once again for helping me to climb that mountain and give me the opportunity to be the outstanding teacher I hope to be."

Tammi Prete
Springbrook, Wis.

Impact.

We talk about it a lot in connection with Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations*. Gifts from alumni have a tremendous impact on students' lives.

On this page you see comments from just a few of the many students who write to express their thanks for receiving scholarships funded by gifts from alumni and friends of the university. Especially in trying economic times, scholarships play a vital role in making it possible for many students to earn a college degree at UW-Superior. Read the students' comments and you'll see that gifts which support scholarships really can change lives.

And that's not all. Your gifts can have an impact in many other ways:

- Gifts to specific academic programs help buy lab equipment and pay for travel so students can attend professional conferences and take field trips to see how their education works in the real world.
- Gifts to building projects help complete construction, equip classrooms and labs, and reduce the financial burden on students.
- Undesignated gifts give the university flexibility to use funds where the need is greatest. That may mean supplementing scholarship funds, helping a student group travel to another country, sending students to a research conference, or even helping a single student stay in school while overcoming a financial crisis.

Changing lives. Now, that's impact.

"I am grateful to people like you and hope that you realize what a difference you are making in the lives of others."

Emily Alberio
Superior, Wis.

"Being able to attend a college is a dream come true, and this scholarship will go a long way to help me continue fulfilling my dreams. Thank you once again."

Melody Kosobucki
Solon Springs, Wis.

"I'm a strong believer in community service and volunteer work, and am exceptionally pleased that I can continue to study and volunteer in the region of Wisconsin that I call home."

Graham Garfield
Mason, Wis.

"... the fact that you awarded me this scholarship has made me feel more confident in my abilities and more apt to explore new opportunities."

Andrew Fuchs
Buffalo, Minn.

"As I approach my final year at UWS I realize how important my college education has been to me. I realize, now, how my life has been molded and shaped by UWS, and what a better person I am because of it. I realize, even more, how none of it would ever have been possible were it not for the generosity of those around me."

Marinos Glitsos
Duluth, Minn.

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Annual Giving Clubs

Annual gifts are the cornerstone of the UW-Superior Foundation's ability to carry forward its mission. Gifts by individuals and organizations provide students with scholarships, curriculum enhancements, departmental support and critical improvements to the infrastructure of the campus. Please accept our deepest appreciation for your ongoing support.

The annual giving section includes all club listings of donors to the University of Wisconsin-Superior Foundation, Inc. from July 1, 2008, to December 31, 2009.

The University of Wisconsin-Superior 2008-2009 Annual Giving Clubs

Chancellor's Club	\$25,000 or more
Regents' Club	\$10,000 to \$24,999
Founders' Club	\$5,000 to \$9,999
Dean's Club	\$1,000 to \$4,999
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University Club	\$250 to \$499
Century Club	Up to \$249

Friends,

Since 2004 you've read my comments about the importance of gifts to Campaign Superior: *Higher Expectations*. Today we are seeing tremendous positive changes at UW-Superior thanks to these gifts.

Consider this:

- A completely renovated Jim Dan Hill Library reopened last fall. It's essentially a new building, arranged and equipped for the information needs of the 21st century. Student use of the building has risen dramatically since it reopened.
- In January 2010, the new Yellowjacket Union opened to serve as the center of student life on campus. Students love the modern design as well as the additional services and activities it houses.
- Students continue to excel and professors continue to offer new academic opportunities because of support they receive from the Active Teaching and Learning and the Annual Superior Fund initiatives of Campaign Superior. Among these opportunities is the First-Year Experience, which enables freshmen to enroll in small, hands-on seminars that immediately offer academic challenges.



Julius E. Erlenbach, Ph.D.
Chancellor

All these changes – and many others – are only made possible by gifts to the UW-Superior Foundation through Campaign Superior.

Your generosity is all the more remarkable because it comes at a time when our nation is experiencing an economic downturn. The financial statements you see in the pages of this annual report reflect the worst of that downturn. The Foundation's funds are sharing in the present recovery, and I am confident that a year from now these reports will reflect significant improvement.

This annual report lists the many alumni, friends, faculty and staff of UW-Superior who have stepped forward to support Campaign Superior. To those of you listed in these pages, please accept my heartfelt thanks for your generosity, your commitment to helping today's students, and your confidence in the future of your university.

Julius E. Erlenbach, Ph.D.
Chancellor

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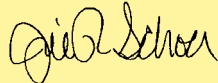
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As you may be aware, the financial markets this past year have experienced a major downturn. This has had an impact on the UW-Superior Foundation assets as well as assets of other non-profit organizations across the United States.

The following depicts UW-Superior Foundation investment performance against the S&P 500 over the last four years:

	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
UW-Superior Foundation	9.09%	16.69%	-2.59%	-11.14%
S&P 500	8.63%	20.59%	-13.05%	-26.51%

The UW-Superior Foundation Board of Directors, our investment managers and I will continue to keep a close eye on ways to maximize the Foundation's return on investment.



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Summary of Activities

June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2008

	2009	2008
Support and Revenue		
Contributions	\$1,408,457	\$1,872,165
Contribution - Debt Forgiveness	704,308	-
Contribution Rescinded by Donor	(106,844)	-
Investment Income	263,222	306,746
Net Gain/Loss on Investments	(1,003,662)	(412,321)
Total Support and Revenue	\$1,265,481	\$1,766,590
Expenses		
Program Services		
Scholarships	\$724,791	\$710,821
Support for Construction Projects	1,446,753	276,700
Institutional Support	209,178	208,488
Other Support of Students	8,824	10,352
Total Program Services	\$2,389,546	\$1,206,361
Management and General		
Foundation Management and		
Promotion Activities	\$515,304	\$452,022
Provision for Uncollectable Accounts	125,835	-
Loss on Uncollectible Accounts	36,796	-
Interest Expense	3,500	56,726
Investment Expenses	31,729	47,614
Total Management and General	\$713,164	\$556,362
Fundraising, Development Expenses	\$81,313	\$300,736
Total Expenses	\$3,184,023	\$2,063,459
Increase/Decrease in Net Assets	\$(1,918,542)	\$(296,869)
Net Assets, Beginning	13,206,649	13,503,518
Net Assets, Ending	\$11,288,107	\$13,206,649

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Summary of Assets

June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2008

	2009	2008
Assets		
Cash	\$575,566	\$217,744
Investments	7,290,494	9,336,876
Receivables	3,065,477	3,823,198
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	242,708	385,499
Charitable Gift Annuity	36,288	42,190
Irrevocable Interest in Estate Gifts	1,072,736	1,072,736
Prepaid Expenses	-	900
Equipment and Leasehold Improvements	129,719	129,719
Accumulated Depreciation - Equipment and Leasehold Improvements	(84,978)	(75,521)
Total Assets	\$12,328,010	\$14,933,341
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Notes Payable	\$70,000	\$1,175,026
Interest Payable	-	56,726
Accounts Payable	555,499	467,795
PV of Future Payments - Charitable Gift Annuity	26,685	27,145
Fundraising Obligation Payable	387,719	-
Total Liabilities	\$1,039,903	\$1,726,692
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	\$360,097	\$342,038
Temporarily Restricted	6,170,844	8,482,799
Permanently Restricted	4,757,166	4,381,812
Total Net Assets	\$11,288,107	\$13,206,649
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$12,328,010	\$14,933,341

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Revenue	
Memberships Dues/Foundation Support	\$6,500.00
Silent Auction	12,000.00
Alumni Events	46,835.00
Merchandise Revenue	300.00
Affinity Programs	16,949.97
Investment Income	3,670.31
Donations	2,215.00
Total Revenue	\$88,470.28
Expenses	
Alumni Events	\$54,836.17
Management Expenses	28,765.90
Donations	1,343.03
Scholarships	1,000.00
Student Support	2,551.85
Silent Auction Expenses	643.16
Awards	550.00
Total Expenses	\$89,690.11

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Richard Erickson, right, receives the Distinguished Alumnus Award from Alumni Association Chair David Anderson.

Association honors alumni and mentor

Noted organist Richard Erickson, alumni leaders Ward and Gayle Anderson, and former Rothwell Student Center Director Jim Rainaldo were honored last fall by the UW-Superior Alumni Association.

At events held during Alumni Days Oct. 8-10, the Alumni Association presented Erickson, Class of '75, with its Distinguished Alumnus Award. The award recognizes a graduate whose success inspires current and prospective students.

Erickson has served since 1992 as cantor and organist at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in

the heart of New York City.

In addition, the association presented Ward Anderson, Class of '70, and Gayle Anderson of De Pere, Wis., with the Edward and Betty Kossak Award, which honors those who have made significant contributions in time, energy, leadership and support to further the goals of UW-Superior.

The association presented Jim Rainaldo of Solon Springs, Wis., with the Outstanding Mentor Award. The new award recognizes a faculty or staff member who has touched the lives of current and former students in a unique and significant way.

Reconnect and network with friends and classmates

Superior alumni have several options for reconnecting with classmates and networking with fellow alumni.

ALUMNI CHAPTERS – Alumni have organized regional alumni chapters around the country and for campus groups like student government. Many chapters hold alumni receptions in their area. Check the list on this page for chapter contacts.

FACEBOOK – Visit our Facebook page to get information about events and connect with other alumni. Find us by searching for the “Official University of Wisconsin-Superior Alumni Association” page.

LINKEDIN – Join official university LinkedIn groups by searching for “University of Wisconsin-Superior Alumni Association,” “UW-Superior Career Services” and “University of Wisconsin-Superior Business and Economics Alumni.”

ONLINE – Get the latest news from campus, read about fellow alumni and find a bevy of fun stuff on the UW-Superior alumni website at www.uwsuper.edu/alumni.

E-MAIL – Buzzword, our bi-monthly electronic alumni newsletter, alerts you to alumni events, travel opportunities and news. E-mail us at alumni@uwsuper.edu and tell us you want to receive Buzzword.

Hall of Fame events set for July 15-16

Join your friends July 15-16 as UW-Superior honors a new class of inductees to the UW-Superior Hall of Fame.

Events begin with a Thursday evening banquet and induction ceremony in Mortorelli Gym. You'll also witness the dedication of the new Hall of Fame plaque wall in the gym.

The following day alumni, family and friends have fun as they compete in the Yellowjacket Golf Outing at Nemadji Golf Course in Superior.

You can nominate an individual or a team for induction into the Hall of Fame based on their athletic achievements, or you can nominate former Yellowjackets for their coaching or fitness career achievements. Nominations must be received by March 31.

For more information about nominations or registering for Hall of Fame events, visit the alumni website at www.uwsuper.edu/alumni or call us toll free at 888-893-8593.

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1951

Bill Fuller, MSE '61, and **Laura Hodsdon Fuller, Class of '50**, are enjoying retirement in South Range, Wis. Bill taught in the Northwoods Schools, was supervising principal of the St. Croix School District, and served 28 years as a guidance counselor in Madison. Laura taught music in the St. Croix, Northwoods and Madison schools. They retired to their log home on the Middle River in 1991.

1957

Tom Ostrom, MS '66, continues to compile the history of the U.S. Coast Guard with his newest book, "The United States Coast Guard in World War II: A History of Domestic and Overseas Actions," released last June. The book covers all Coast Guard operations during the war and includes a chapter about the Great Lakes and the Twin Ports.

Lt. Col. Carlin Kielcheski, USAF (ret.), last fall had a 77-piece retrospective exhibit of his art commemorating the newly designed Permanent Professors Art Gallery at the U. S. Air Force Academy. Titled "You do What? Where? What Good is That?" the show satirized Carlin's unique 20-year career as professor of art at the Air Force Academy and his role as a combat artist in the Vietnam conflict.

1961

Daniel Mosca was named special artist of the year by the Iron County Museum. His work was featured during summer 2009 at the museum, located in his hometown of Iron River, Mich. Daniel retired in 1992 as a fine arts coordinator with the New Berlin, Wis., schools after 32 years in education. During that time he also was an adjunct professor of art at two technical colleges in Milwaukee. Daniel lives in Iron River.

1966

Jim Stephenson last summer received a Lifetime Service Award from the National Wrestling Hall of Fame in Stillwater, Okla., in recognition of his success during many years of competing and coaching. Jim grew up in Pennsylvania but transferred to UW-Superior to study biology. He wrestled for Coach Mertz Mortorelli (a National

We invite you to send news about yourself to Classmates. You can mail the form on Page 15, submit the Update Your Alumni Information form on the alumni website at www.uwsuper.edu/alumni, or send e-mail to alumni@uwsuper.edu. Because of space limitations, we edit items for style and length. If your news does not appear in this issue, it likely will appear in the next. *Classmates listing as of Jan. 11, 2010*

Wrestling Hall of Fame inductee). He coached high school wrestling, was active in the Wisconsin Wrestling Coaches Association and helped establish the George Martine Wrestling Hall of Fame in Wisconsin.

1967

Edward Thompson, MSE, last spring was recognized by the Cumberland, Wis., high school as a Graduate of Achievement. Edward began teaching music in the public schools in 1960 and went on to spend 33 years teaching music at the University of Wisconsin-Barron County. He also established and directed the Red Cedar Chorus, and helped establish the Red Cedar Symphony Orchestra, which he also directed for several years. Ed and his wife Marla live in Cameron, Wis.

Goldie Goins Johnson retired from Winona State University in Winona, Minn., in May 2009 and was named professor emeriti. Goldie taught at several high schools and two universities in Wisconsin before joining Winona State, where she spent the past 23 years teaching young adult literature and teaching methods to prospective teachers. Goldie and husband Greg, are retiring to the farm near Exeland, Wis., where Goldie was raised.

William Berglund has retired from his role as headmaster of the American School at Bangkok in Thailand. Since then he and wife Pat have ridden their motorcycle to Alaska, around lakes Superior and Michigan and through several states.

Thomas Kyle and wife Heather celebrated the marriage of their daughter last summer. The Kyles continue to enjoy retirement in Epping, N. H.

1968

Cmdr. David Thompson, USNR (ret.), co-authored "Beyond the Yellow Ribbon: Ministering to Returning Combat Veterans," published in December by Abingdon Press. David is a former military chaplain and presently is a Licensed Professional Counselor and Military Family Life Consultant for the National Guard and Reserves in Minnesota. He and wife **Judy Lindberg Thompson, Class of '68**, live in Rosemount, Minn.

1969

Don Erickson has retired as senior vice president and general manager of McNally Industries in Grantsburg, Wis., and **Chris Erickson, Class of 1991**, has retired from teaching first grade and Title 1 at Siren, Wis. Don and Chris live at their lakeside home in Siren, where they enjoy time with family and friends.

Don Bradford last summer was inducted into the Wisconsin Hockey Hall of Fame. Don was a stand-out in youth and high school hockey in his hometown of Rhinelander, played at UW-Superior, and then returned to Eagle River to play with a men's team. After moving to Wausau he devoted himself to youth hockey at the local, regional and state levels.

Susan Cage Meyers, who also attended 1976-'77, last summer retired as director of teacher education at University of California, Irvine. She now works part time for the university's Department of Education to assist with accreditation work. Susan and husband Kenneth live in San Clemente, Calif.

1970

James Salus has retired as financial manager of the Federal Highway Administration's Michigan Division after 39 years of government service. In 2008, **Jane Melton Salus, Class of '70**, retired from the Lansing, Mich., public schools, where she was a substitute teacher. James and Jane, who live in Lansing, Mich., plan to remain in the state to be near their four daughters and eight grandchildren.

George "Bud" Brand received the Superior-Douglas County Chamber of Commerce's 2009 Excellence in Education Award. The award "recognizes the value of an individual who has served as a mentor, devoted extra time and attention, and demonstrated a love of learning or other qualities that were particularly meaningful to the success of youth". George, lives in Superior.

Tony Iacone has retired from umpiring baseball after 36 years. His stint behind the plate included 35 years of umping high school ball and 17 spring seasons in NCAA Division I. Away from the diamond, Tony owns K & I Associates, a life insurance and investment brokerage based in Aston, Penn., where he lives with wife Lorraine.

Beverly Rudberg, MA '73, is a retired

educator and professional artist living in Louisville, Ky.

1972

Steve Russ retired in August after nearly four decades as an educator. He spent the past 27 years serving as high school principal and district superintendent for the Medford Area School District in Medford, Wis.

1973

Susan Podvin Rovner was named Teacher of the Year at Maurice Hawk Elementary School in Princeton Junction, N.J., where she teaches physical education and health. Susan and husband **Jerry Rovner, Class of '72**, live in Allentown, N.J.

Kathleen Erickson Lehman has retired after teaching 34 years in Rice Lake, Wis. She and husband Bob live in Cameron, Wis.

1974

Chuck Raykovich, former Yellowjacket football player and longtime football coach at Chippewa Falls, Wis., this spring will be inducted into the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Ann Powers Hassman retired in June 2009 after teaching in the Crivitz, Wis., elementary school for 40 years. Ann and husband Eugene are now full-time farmers.

1975

Bob Rickard, MSE, last September was inducted into the Eagle River/Northland Pines High School Athletic Hall of Fame in recognition of his decades of achievements as athletic director, sports backer and volunteer coach at Northland Pines High School. Bob and wife Sharon live in Eagle River, Wis.

Dave Bardo, MSE '81, is the new school district administrator in Laona, Wis. He previously spent 20 years working for Wisconsin's Wittenberg-Birnamwood school district.

1976

Candice Henmerling Lemire has moved to St. Cloud, Minn., where she is coordinator of the Access and Opportunity Program in the Office of Precollege Programs at St. Cloud State University.

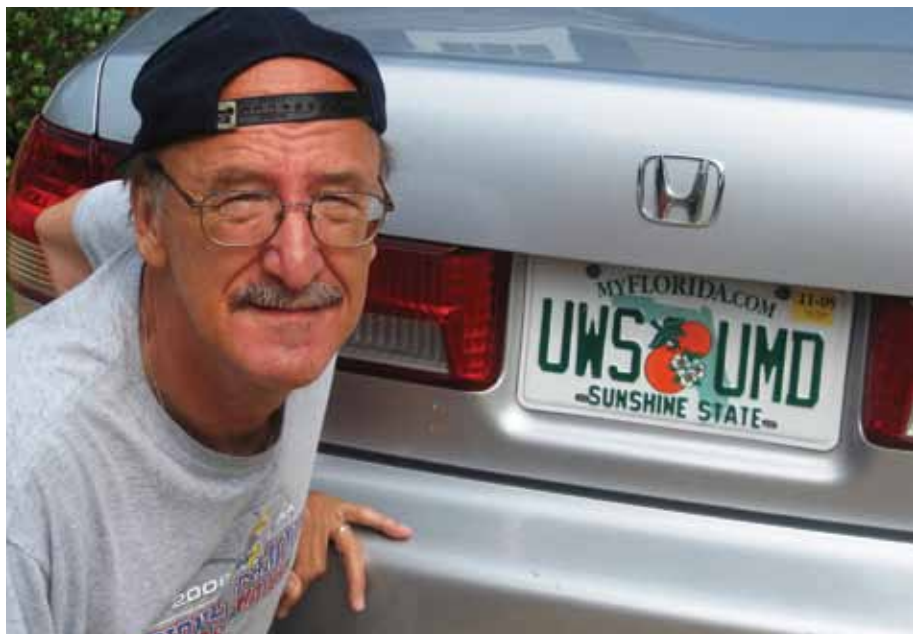
1978

Chuck Futterer, MSE, last summer became superintendent of public schools in Virginia, Minn.

Phil Kangas took part in the Colorado State Weight Lifting Championships last March and broke the state record in the bench press for his age and weight group. Last spring Phil accepted a position as project manager with GeoStat Environmental, a full-service environmental consulting firm with two offices in Kansas and a new office in Broomfield, Colo., where Phil is located. Phil and wife June live in Parker, Colo.

1979

Paul Kienitz last fall received the prestigious Paul Harris Award from the Rotary Club in Merrill, Wis. Paul was cited for his work in bringing polio awareness through the Rotary



Florida resident **Dave Martinson, Class of '65**, sent this photo of the license plate on the car belonging to him and his wife **Karen, UMD Class of '64**. He wrote: "Karen and I are getting old and can't remember our license plate number. Solution? Put **UWS (University of Wisconsin-Superior) and UMD (University of Minnesota-Duluth) on the plate. Interesting to watch people in Florida try to figure out what it means."**

International Polio Plus program; helping the Merrill Rotary Club build a fireplace for the Merrill School Forest; spearheading an outdoor Headstart pergola and outdoor instrument project; applying for and receiving the Rotary International Presidential Citation for the Merrill club, and increasing awareness of the Rotary locally through the Merrill Flower project and sponsorship of the flower watering vehicle used throughout the city. Paul lives in Merrill, where he owns the Riverside Athletic Club

1981

Steve DeVinck recently was promoted to controller and vice president of business support of ALLETE, the Duluth-based company that includes Minnesota Power.

1982

Joe Snell was named chief pilot by Corporate Jets, an aviation services company headquartered in Scottsdale, Ariz. He also will continue his duties as lead captain on the company's Gulfstream V jets. Joe retired from the U. S. Air Force in 2003 as chief pilot and instructor for the Gulfstream G-III and G-V aircraft that conduct worldwide special missions to support the president, vice president and other U. S. and foreign dignitaries.

1983

Audrey Rich last spring made a significant career move by accepting a position with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers in St. Paul.

1985

Susan Eilertsen received an Excellence in Practice Award at the Colorado Summit for Children, Youth and Families in June 2009. She was cited for "your valuable service and dedication to helping children of Colorado, your outstanding leadership in the child welfare field, and for making your community a better, safer place for families." Susan received the award as a



Comm Arts honors retired professor John Munsell

Alumni and colleagues filled the lobby of Holden Fine and Applied Arts Center on Oct. 9 to honor retired Professor John Munsell as his plaque was added to the Communicating Arts Department Wall of Service.

Former students and fellow faculty members shared their memories of Munsell's long career, his work with students, and his performances in the theatre program. Munsell joined the faculty in 1967 and retired in 2001.

John Munsell enthusiastically greets one of the many well-wishers who attended the ceremony honoring him for his service.

member of the Family Visitation Center, which she supervises at the El Paso County Department of Human Services in Colorado Springs.

1987

Sandra Thorsell, MSE, married Joseph Berini on Aug. 8, 2009, in Duluth. Sandra is a counselor at Denfeld High School in Duluth.

1988

Lynnette Woodruff Traas is a social worker and program specialist for the Wisconsin Department of Health Services. She lives in Waunakee, Wis.

Lt. Col. Tony Komatz visited the Twin Ports last fall to speak to Air Force ROTC students. He is stationed at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia.

1990

Suzanne Semborski is now a special projects manager at Northeast Entrepreneur Fund in Duluth. She is responsible for designing and implementing several programs, including the Campus Entrepreneurship Initiative, Northland Flavor and CORE FOUR National.

1991

Cheryl Menzel Zupec, MA '99,

completed the 200-hour Yoga Teacher Training Program at Sun Moon Yoga Studio in Mankato, Minn. She teaches adult and children's Hatha Yoga at Yoga Tree Studio in Superior. She is employed as a senior account manager with Nelson & Company Advertising in Duluth.

Tammy Marg Belisle now teaches third grade at St. Joseph School in Stratford, Wis. She previously taught in Rib Lake, Wis.

Shelly Bridge Thompson last March completed her master's degree in health care administration from the University of Phoenix. She and husband **Michael Thompson, Class of '98**, live in Jim Falls, Wis.

1992



Amy Libertoski last fall earned the personal financial specialist designation from the American Institute of CPAs. The

designation is for Certified Public Accountants who specialize in personal financial planning, and is awarded

exclusively to professionals who have demonstrated considerable expertise in that area. Amy works in the Wausau, Wis., office of Wipfli.

1994

Eva Pasko DiDonato has moved to Fort Collins, Colo., with her husband Guy and their two children. Eva is a marine pollution ecologist for the National Park Service's Natural Resource Program Center.

1995

Gary Reineck, MSE, last summer was named superintendent and sixth- to 12th-grade principal of the Cambria-Friesland (Wis.) School District.

1997

Deena Peterson last summer was promoted to controller of AMSOIL Inc. in Superior. She is responsible for all of the company's accounting and financial functions. She also helps create and implement policies and procedures to identify, resolve and document accounting issues.

Steve Jurries graduated in December from Texas A & M University-Commerce with a master's degree in educational administration. Steve teaches for the Sunnyvale Independent School



KUWS newsman covers space launch from central Asia

Mike Simonson, UW-Superior alumnus and news director of KUWS-FM in Superior, last September journeyed to central Asia to cover the launch of the Soyuz rocket carrying veteran astronaut and Winter, Wis., native Col. Jeffrey Williams to the International Space Station.

Simonson and his wife Jennifer traveled to the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan at their own expense to cover the Sept. 30 launch for KUWS and Wisconsin Public Radio. Two days later they traveled to Star City, Russia's space center near Moscow, to track the Soyuz capsule's arrival at the space station.

Mike Simonson, right, interviews NASA Administrator Charles Bolden as part of the newsman's coverage last fall of astronaut Jeffrey Williams' trip to the International Space Station.

Tony Hernandez clearly recalls the exact day – Nov. 17, 1967 – that he and his parents left their native Cuba to come to the United States.

And he clearly recalls what prompted them to leave – his father recently had been jailed. His crime: Buying milk for five-year-old Tony.

Stories like that of the Hernandez family are not unusual. Over the years millions of Latinos have come to the United States to build better lives for themselves and their families. Now, Hernandez, Class of '84 and president and chief executive officer of the Latino Broadcasting Co., is leading the Immigrant Archive Project, an independent nationwide effort to record Latino immigrants' stories of struggle, sacrifice and triumph.

Telling their stories

Class of '84 grad Tony Hernandez is leading a nationwide effort to preserve and share the stories of Latino immigrants

“With the immigration debate raging, I thought it would be a good time to help people understand what Latinos of all nationalities and all age groups have gone through to come to the United States,” Hernandez said. “We want to put a face and a soul to what so far has been a faceless entity.”

The project was begun in late 2008 by recording audio interviews with Cuban immigrants. After hearing the first stories, Hernandez and others involved in the work realized the project was much bigger than they

had anticipated. They decided to videotape the interviews and open the project to Latinos of all nationalities.

By late 2009, the Immigrant Archive Project had recorded about 225 interviews with people ranging in age from 8 to 96.

“It was obvious from the very beginning that everybody has a story,” Hernandez said. “Most of the stories, you listen to them and you’re just floored.”

It’s difficult to be unmoved by the stories:

- The child who left Cuba alone on a mercy flight and didn’t see his parents again for four years.
- People who flew out of Cuba on flights arranged with a U.S. charity. At the airport, they were forced to surrender everything they carried – wristwatches, jewelry, everything in their pockets – so they left literally with nothing but the clothes they wore.
- The man who went on to graduate from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and served in the military during World War II.
- The Guatemalan child who dropped out of grade school in Los Angeles to work with his father laying carpet. His parents were hit by a car and killed when he was 13 years old. A police officer originally from Puerto Rico saw the youngster’s plight on a TV news report and adopted him so the boy could stay in the United States. The boy eventually graduated from college and is now a successful businessman.
- Hernandez’s own story: A Cuban doctor advised Hernandez’s father that his son had a calcium deficiency and needed to drink more milk. The repressive government was rationing milk, however, so Hernandez’s father was forced to buy extra milk on the black market. He was caught and put in jail – the last straw that drove the family from Cuba.

“One story after another is inspiring,” Hernandez said.

As more stories are recorded, the Immigrant Archive Project is preparing to share them through mass media, traveling educational programs and art exhibits.

“We hope to use the stories academically as

a true oral history project, so when people look back many years from now, they can have an understanding of what the Latino immigration experience was like,” Hernandez said. “We also want to use these materials in education. They’re very valuable testimonies to foster tolerance and understanding of what the Latino immigrant is all about.

One way the stories will be told is through the Latino Broadcasting Co., a Spanish-language radio network based in Miami that provides programming to more than 100 affiliate stations. Hernandez – who majored in Communicating Arts at UW-Superior – founded the company in 1996 after a stint as vice president of ESPN Latin America.

Producers are editing interviews to be aired on radio beginning in 2010. Hernandez hopes to also provide interviews to Hispanic television networks, and he’s talking to HBO about a possible documentary film.

The Immigrant Archive Project also is gaining traction through the Internet. Many interviews can be viewed on the project’s website at www.immigrantarchiveproject.com. Its Facebook page – available by looking up “Immigrant Archive Project fan page” – is popular with viewers in Latin America as well as, curiously, India and England.

How long the Immigrant Archive Project may continue is open to question. Hernandez is trying to find sponsors to make it self-sustaining. He also hopes to broaden it by opening the

“We want to put a face and a soul to what so far has been a faceless entity.”

project to Asian and African immigrants, who, he said, have their own compelling stories to tell.

While he’s hoping the Immigrant Archive Project will inform and educate people today, Hernandez also wants it to become a legacy for future generations of Latinos.

“The people of my parents’ generation were clearly members of our greatest generation, particularly in the Cuban community. They were the generation that literally left everything behind for the sake of their children’s future,” he said. “It would be a travesty to lose those stories. I see it as a responsibility my generation has to save those stories so my children’s generation and their children’s generation can understand the sacrifices made so they can live in the greatest country in

Learn more

Learn more about the Immigrant Archive Project and watch stories on the project’s website at www.immigrantarchiveproject.com

District and lives in Rowlett, Texas, with wife Jennifer.

Dawn Duffy Meyers and Darin Meyers, Class of '96, have a new daughter, Camryn, who was born Jan. 29, 2009. The Meyers also have a three-year-old son, Zachary. Darin is the real estate advertising manager for the St. Paul Pioneer Press/twincities.com.

1998

Tammi Engberg Johnson and husband Brant have a new daughter, Avery, born May 5, 2009. She joins their other daughter, Delaney, in the Johnson home in Braham, Minn. Tammi is a K-12 media specialist for the Braham Area Schools.

Jon Garver, MA '00, was appointed a full-time agent for American Family Insurance Group and opened an office in Duluth last June.

Brian Thorbjornsen, a social worker for Fond du Lac Human Resources at the Fond du Lac Reservation in Minnesota, has been recognized by Cambridge Who's Who for demonstrating dedication, leadership and excellence in social services. He is responsible for assisting Native American children and their families. Brian lives in Duluth.

Susan Allen achieved National Board for Professional Teaching Certification in 2007. She teaches English as a New Language in Virginia's Fairfax County Public Schools. Susan and husband Donald Hinman live in Alexandria, Va.

1999

Sherry Oeffler has been named chief operating officer for AHMC Asset Management, an Eau Claire, Wis., company that manages more than \$100 million worth of residential assets.

Krista Balthazor Rew and Aaron Rew have their first child, Rebecca, who was born on Dec. 7, 2008.

Charlotte Lord Klesman has been elected president of The Association for Women in Communications branch affiliated with the University of North Dakota. Charlotte is an instructor and doctorate degree student at North Dakota. She lives in Ranier, Minn.

2000

Nathan Cockerham now practices law with the firm of Maki, Ledin, Bick & Olson, S.C., in Superior. He graduated from the University of Nebraska Law School in 2004 and was working in Washington, D.C., before returning to Superior.

Andrea Grygo recently earned a master's degree in water resources science from the University of Minnesota-Duluth and started a new job as a geographic information systems specialist for St. Louis County in Minnesota. She lives in Duluth.

Eryca Card last summer was among 23 educators selected to attend Honeywell's Advanced Space Academy. Activities included working in the neutral buoyancy pool and a behind-the-scenes tour of the Kennedy Space Center. She encourages fellow alumni who are educators to apply for this opportunity to learn about teaching aerospace to their students and community, and is willing to assist applicants.

Garrett Rogowski last summer became superintendent of the Wittenberg-

Excellent Educators

'89 grad named college president

Larry Anderson, MSE '89, last fall was named president of Fond du Lac Tribal and Community College in Cloquet, Minn.

Anderson was born in Cloquet and is an enrolled member of the Fond du Lac band of Ojibwe. At FDLTCC, he served as dean before becoming vice president of administration and student affairs as well as acting athletic director.

"I am absolutely honored to be able to be president of FDLTCC," Anderson told the Duluth News Tribune. "I see my job as working alongside staff to help students get the resources they need to succeed. My goal is also to work together with the Fond du Lac Reservation and the surrounding communities to make certain people feel good about their community college."

BIA names '94 grad top teacher

Meredith Huard Martin, a 1994 graduate of UW-Superior's teacher education program, last fall was named National Teacher of the Year, Eastern Regional Schools, by the Bureau of Indian Affairs Education Program.

Martin teaches second grade at Fond du Lac Ojibwe School in Cloquet, Minn. She was chosen for the honor from among teachers at 144 BIA schools.

Former school principal Rae Villebrun nominated Martin for the award after watching Martin's work with students, including Villebrun's own child.

"It didn't matter if the student had problems learning or excelled, (Martin) was able to keep them moving in a positive direction," Villebrun told the Duluth News Tribune. "She has a passion for giving the students what they need."

Birnamwood (Wis.) School District.

James Wenzler last fall was appointed to a four-year term on the Wisconsin Auctioneer Board. James is a manager of human resources for Patrick Cudahy Inc. He lives in Oak Creek, Wis.

Craig Nehring last fall became the pastor of Zion Lutheran Church in Caroline, Wis., and Peace Lutheran Church in Split Rock, Wis.

2001



Johanna Kirk has been named a shareholder in the law firm of Knudson, Torvinen, Jones & Kirk, S.C., in Superior. After graduating with

a major in Legal Studies, she graduated from Hamline University School of Law in 2006 and has been working for her firm since passing the Wisconsin Bar Exam in 2006.

Aaron Brown, MA '04, last May won a Northeastern Minnesota Book Award in the Memoir/Creative Nonfiction category for his book "Overburden: Modern Life on the Iron Range."

David Perrodin, MSE, is now director of student services for the DeForest (Wis.) Area School District.

Emilie Holleman Law graduated from the University of Glasgow in 2008 with a degree in veterinary medicine. She now works as a veterinarian, and lives in Alexandria, Scotland, with husband Steven.

2002

Ryan Randa graduated last May from the University of Cincinnati with a master's degree and a doctorate degree. He's now an assistant professor in the Criminal Justice Department at the University of Northern Colorado.

Kevin Korpela is chief accountant and

office manager for Krist Oil Co. in Iron River, Mich. He recently bought a home in Caspian, Mich.

Scott Raaflaub teaches seventh-grade English and social studies at Webster Transitional School in the Cedarburg, Wis., school district. He now lives in Grafton, Wis.

Amanda Friberg Dammann and husband Wain welcomed their third child, Abrina, on Sept. 24, 2009.

2003

Yadamini Gunawardena is a consultant for Innovative and Creative Technology

Solutions. He lives in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Kelly Erickson and Nate Ziemski were married April 27, 2009. Kelly is a trip director for Carlson Marketing and Nate is a manager and coach for Stauber's Goal Crease. They live in Blaine, Minn.

Jeffrey Walsh, MSE '03, is now principal of the Cadott, Wis., elementary school.

Alesha Mellesmoen and Shawn Murphy, Class of '07, were married Aug. 1, 2009. Alesha is a senior counselor for Northwood Children's Services and Shawn works for United Healthcare. They live in Duluth.

Kelsey Wentworth married Nicholas Gross on Jan. 31, 2009, in Arkansas, Wis. Kelsey majored in social work and is now an emergency housing intake specialist for Starting Points Inc. The couple lives in Chippewa Falls, Wis.

2004

Deanna Severson Ortscheid graduated in May 2009 from the University of Hawaii at Manoa with a master's degree in special education. Deanna and husband Matthew live in Kapolei, Hawaii.

Jenice Kienzle, MSE '09, is now coordinator for the Center for Academic Service-Learning at UW-Superior. She lives in Superior.

Jennifer Kadin last May returned from service with the Peace Corps and was living in Atlanta area.

2005

Kelly Kreig teaches physical education and coaches girls' varsity basketball at Payson High School in Payson, Ariz. The former Yellowjacket basketball player told the Payson Roundup newspaper that coaching a varsity basketball team is her dream job, enabling her to follow in the footsteps of her father Larry, who coached her for



The third-grade teachers from Superior's Bryant Elementary School paused for a photo last fall while their pupils worked with UW-Superior students in the Health & Wellness Center. From left are Suzy Churchill Hurin, Class of '94; Trishia Palmer Hipp, Class of '00; Katie Blaisdell Walrath, Class of '00; and Jennifer Darst Medak, Class of '00. Their third-graders – known as the Mighty Milers -- run a mile every school day to keep fit. On the day they visited campus, they got to run their mile on the HWC indoor track and then play a variety of playground games with physical education students, who got a chance to gain practical experience in teaching.

In Memoriam

Irving Jacobson (1936), Superior, Dec. 24, 2009

Lorraine Avoy Cline Mau (1939), Duluth, Aug. 22, 2009

Cyrilla Menne White (1939), Crystal River, Fla., Oct. 6, 2009

Martha Salo Campbell (1948), Green Bay, Wis., Aug. 18, 2008

Earl Ver Bunker (1950, MSE 1961), Hurley, Wis., Oct. 22, 2009

Gilbert Anderson (1951), Indio, Calif., Jan. 9, 2008

John “Jack” Erickson (attended 1953), Bayfield, Wis., Oct. 4, 2009

Frank Campbell (1955), Park Falls, Wis., Aug. 16, 2009

Esther Ludwig (ME 1956), Rhinelander, Wis., Sept. 23, 2009

Kenton Holm (1958), Madison, May 10, 2009

Donald Eglseder (1958), Washburn, Wis., June 18, 2009

Lois Almstedt Nelson (1959), South Range, Wis., July 4, 2009

Michael Willette (1961), Superior, July 20, 2009

Robert De Santis (1961), Ironwood, Mich., Sept. 7, 2009

Marvin Paavola (MA 1968), Bayfield, Wis., Sept. 8, 2009

Alfred Studden (1970), La Crosse, Wis., Oct. 21, 2009

Kenneth Benjaminsen (MST 1971), La Crescent, Minn., Nov. 4, 2009

Richard Greve (MST 1972), New Holstein, Wis., May 14, 2009

William Kubeny (MSE 1972), Antigo, Wis., Dec. 8, 2009

John Hickey (1972), Frederic, Wis., June 2, 2009

Lee Bergquist (1974), Superior, Dec. 16, 2009

Jerome “Jerry” Bucheger (1975), Woodstock, Ill., Aug. 31, 2009

Marsha Maki Napolitano (1977), Sussex, N. J., Sept. 18, 2009

James Di Ulio (MSE 1977), Spencer, Wis., Dec. 11, 2009

Cindy Poppe Szymonowicz (1978, MSE '95), Pengilly, Minn., Nov. 29, 2009

Virginia “Gina” Damberg (MSE 1981), Eveleth, Minn., July 9, 2009

Sharon Eibon De Mars (1982), San Antonio, Texas, June 14, 2009

Boyd Coulson (1983), Eau Claire, Wis., Oct. 7, 2009

Debbie Johnson Lindstrom (1985), Hudson, Wis., Nov. 3, 2009

James Boyer (1992), Morristown, N. J., Jan. 8, 2010

Tiffany Brown Sikorski (1996), Rice Lake, Wis., May 14, 2009

James Hanson (1999), Superior, Nov. 15, 2009

William H. Clarke (2000), Superior, Oct. 2, 2009

Levi Madison (2005), Rochester, Minn., May 23, 2009

Correction: Connie Colosimo Mukavitz was incorrectly listed as deceased in the Summer 2009 edition of Superior Alumni. We apologize for the error.

Dr. Bruce Jensen, magician

Dr. Bruce Jensen, 67, died July 2, 2009, at the Minnesota Masonic Home in Bloomington. He attended UW-Superior from 1960 to 1962 before enrolling in the University of Minnesota Dental School. Dr. Jensen, who also went by the name of Bruce Russell, had been a magician since age 11. In 1989 he retired from dentistry to pursue his magic career.

Dr. Von Kuldau, professor

Dr. Von Kuldau, who taught sociology, anthropology and criminology part time from the mid-1970s to the mid-1990s, died Dec. 30, 2009, at his home in Superior. His wife, UW-Superior professor Dr. Janice Kuldau, preceded him in death in 1998. Memorials may be made to the Jan Kuldau Memorial Scholarship through the UW-Superior Foundation.

Ed Kossak, former alumni board member

Ed Kossak, Class of 1965 and a former member of the UW-Superior Alumni Association Board of Directors, died Jan. 13, 2010, in Superior. Mr. Kossak was instrumental in creating the association and provided years of leadership in supporting the university.

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three years in high school.

Jonas Swan graduated last May from A.T. Still University and the Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine. In July he began an emergency medicine residency at the Kalamazoo Center for Medical Studies through Michigan State University. He lives in Portage, Mich.

Laura Bosak married Nathan Ritter on Aug. 8, 2009, in Janesville, Wis. They live in Sarasota, Fla.

Scott Nielcen and **Alison Richard Nielcen, Class of '01**, are enjoying life in Iron River, Wis., with their three children: Owen and twins Henry and Claire. Scott and Alison own Silver Maple Construction. Alison also is a real estate agent with Van Hollen Realty.

2006

Angie Lindberg married Brian Hugdahl on Aug. 30, 2008, in Duluth. Angie is director of the Upward Bound program at UW-Superior. They live in Superior.

Mesay Tegegne is pursuing a doctorate degree in sociology at the University of

Iowa. He lives in Iowa City.

Amanda Schmidt last fall married Stephen Whetstine in Minneapolis. They live in San Rafael, Calif.

2007

Ashley Bennett, who graduated with a major in international peace studies, is now a development associate at the Center for Victims of Torture in St. Paul, a non-profit organization that works to heal the wounds of torture on individuals, their families and their communities and to stop torture worldwide. She works with individual donors and manages what happens after the center receives a donation. In addition, she works with the center's online giving program by designing donation pages and sending emails to supporters.

Tracee Neumann last summer began an internship at UW-Richmond Center as coordinator for international students and the local families hosting them. She is completing a master's degree in international education at SIT Graduate Institute in Vermont.

Elissa Reas and **Ryan McGhee, attended 2004-'06**, were married June 12, 2009. They live in Roseville, Minn.

Kelly Kroon teaches middle school social studies at Sacred Heart Catholic School in Reedsburg, Wis. Her oldest daughter recently was married and her middle daughter recently graduated from high school.

Kate Ratkovich recently graduated with honors from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Florida.

Jackie Wallgren recently began a two-year position with the University of Nebraska's Life Skills Department. She works with student-athletes to help them succeed at the university and in life after sports.

Tanya Cain Amys now teaches high school math for the Northwestern (Wis.) School District. She and husband **Rod, Class of '05**, live in Poplar, Wis.

Dustin Moreland married Elizabeth

Plante on May 30, 2009, in Duluth. Dustin works at St. Luke's Hospital in Duluth.

Kimberly Hart's innovative fitness class at Madison Elementary School in Winona, Minn., was featured in the Oct. 3, 2009, edition of the Winona Daily News. Kimberly is a physical education teacher at the school.

2008

Deanna Rantala and **Brad Corry, currently enrolled**, were married Oct. 11, 2008, in Poplar, Wis. Deanna is a marketing coordinator for Second Harvest Northern Lakes Food Bank and interim assistant director of housing at UW-Superior. Brad is majoring in economics and finance.

Jennifer Marker is now a first-grade Students Achievement Guarantee in Education teacher for the Shell Lake, Wis., public schools. Through the SAGE program, she will move along with her students until they go into third grade.

Opal Mattila is pursuing a doctorate degree in politics and international

relations at the University of Sheffield in England.

Jason Maloney, MSE, is the new director of the Northern Great Lakes Visitors Center in Ashland, Wis. Jason has taught in public schools, worked for the Department of Justice and, most recently, run the U.S. Forest Service-sponsored Blackwell Job Corps Center in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest near Laona, Wis.

2009

Michael Koltes, MSE, last spring was hired as director of financial services for the Hustisford, Wis., school district.

Stacey Chezik is enrolled in the master's degree program in athletic training at Texas Tech University.

Brittany Peterson now lives in Northfield, Minn., where she is lead teacher for KinderCare.

Jason Schlender is an adjunct faculty member at Lac Courte Oreilles Community College near Hayward, Wis. He and wife Alana live in Bayfield, Wis.

Hardijs Paradnieks lives in Riga, Latvia, and works as sales manager for Agni Salons.

Brittany Raveill is a journalist working for Voyageur Press. She lives in McGregor, Minn.

Chad Wilson is a buyer agent for RE/MAX 1 in Superior. He also is a community volunteer at Freshwater Vineyard, working with music, youth and in other areas.

New international student joins a UW-Superior tradition

When Binta Sidibe arrived at UW-Superior last August, the new freshman wasn't exactly a newcomer despite having just come from the Ivory Coast.

Sidibe enrolled at UW-Superior in part because her friend Ardelle Bayiha already was a student here. And Ardelle Bayiha is the latest of five Bayihas, one cousin and one friend who have enrolled at UW-Superior over the past 10 years.

In addition, the Bayihas' father Eugene joined the university's Department of Business and Economics faculty four years ago as a senior lecturer.

"It helps to know someone here," Sidibe said soon after arriving in Superior. "They can ground me; tell me what to do, and I can learn from their mistakes."

The Bayihas originally are from Cameroon but later lived in the Ivory Coast in West Africa. The family's relationship with UW-Superior began when John Bayiha enrolled.

Encouraged by John's success, over the next several years siblings Floyd, Veronica, Kevin and Ardelle followed. Cousin Sandrine Omog-Samnack also enrolled, as did Kevin's friend Ismael "Izzo" Coulibaly.

Sidibe's acquaintance with the Bayihas dates to her childhood. She once lived in Spain, where her father served as a diplomat. Her family returned to the Ivory Coast when she was five years old, and there she met Ardelle Bayiha, and they have been friends ever since.

Sidibe visited Bayiha in Superior during the past couple summers, joining her in a class in 2007 and volunteering at a summer camp in 2008. She's also lived for a time in Illinois, and has traveled in other parts of the United States.

Sidibe is majoring in international peace studies and has a minor in communicating arts. She already has a favorable view of campus and college life.

"I like (UW-Superior)," she said. "I saw what John and Veronica became, and I thought, 'Why not try for it, too?'"

She has an impressive path to follow among the Bayiha alumni:

John, Class of '04, later earned a master's



Some of the Bayiha family and friends who have attended UW-Superior gather outside Old Main with Binta Sidibe, the latest arrival on campus. From left are, Veronica Bayiha, Binta Sidibe, Eugene Bayiha, Sandrine Omog-Samnack and Ardelle Bayiha.

of business administration degree and now works in Minneapolis.

Floyd attended for three years and played basketball with the Yellowjackets. He later played two years of pro basketball in Canada. He now attends the Milwaukee School of Engineering and plans to graduate this fall.

Veronica, Class of '05, is pursuing a master's degree and working as an early childhood educator in Duluth. She runs her own business on the side.

Kevin, Class of '09, works for Brady Corp.

Ismael Coulibaly graduated in May 2009.

Sandrine, who is majoring in transportation and logistics management, graduated in December.

Ardelle, who is majoring in transportation and logistics management and in international business, plans to graduate this May.

Shortly before graduating from Superior High School, Ardelle Bayiha thought she would break with family tradition and attend UW-Eau Claire. But then everyone in her family talked her out of it. Now, she's glad she, too, came to Superior. "Going to UWS is the best choice I ever made," she said.

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