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Southern Research and Outreach Center
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Waseca, MN 56093-4521.

Questions can be directed to: Deanne Nelson at (507) 835-3620.

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Calendar of Events

- Monday, January 9, 2017.....
Scholarship Applications Due
Southern Research and Outreach Center
Waseca, MN
- Monday, January 16.....
Board Meeting
Southern Research and Outreach Center
6:30 p.m.
Waseca, MN
- Saturday, February 11.....
67th Annual Sleigh and Cutter Parade
Waseca, MN
- Monday, April 24
Board Meeting
Southern Research and Outreach Center
6:30 p.m.
Waseca, MN



Plans are underway for the Sleigh & Cutter Festival in February. The parade is February 11, and the vintage snowmobile race is February 25 with fireworks capping the evening. Check sleighandcutterfestival.org for more details in the coming weeks.

Class of 1961

The class of 1961 had a wonderful reunion at LaCrosse, WI, July 23 & 24, 2016.



Front row: Richard (Dick) Kleist, Maynard Jagodzinski, Eugene Allen, Dale Bartsch
 Middle row: Reggie Thiede, Marlene Thompson Fritz, Jan Luedtke McDowell, David Rott
 Back row: Duane Hyland, Darwin Luedtke, Harlan Bergemann, Gerald (Schrewy) Skluzacek, Klaren Alexander, Duane Behrens, Benjamin Schuft (striped shirt) cut off, Richard Kaduce

Class of 1966

SSA's class of 1966 held it's 50 year reunion at the Miller-Armstrong Building in Waseca, on July 8, 2016. Twenty-seven classmates and 19 spouses attended. We felt very fortunate to include a tour of the prison for 12 classmates and 8 spouses.



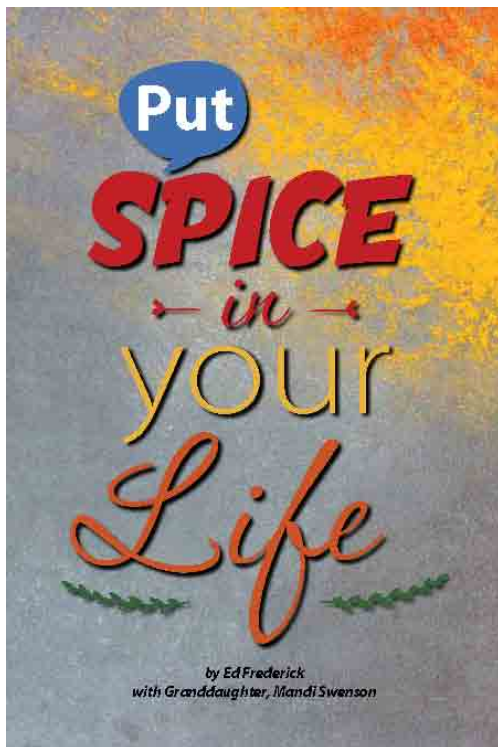
Seated row 1: Dr. Ed Frederick, Jean Mahoney Bellman, Miriam Payne Shook, Renata Mueller Gordon, Nancy Pepper Burke, Lorely Thompson Lather, Carol Exe Carlson. Row 2: Carmen Becher Pamperin, Sharon Roemhildt Freitag, Karen Guse Varma, Pam Ewert Morris, Allen Ackland. Row 3: Dave Bonow, Dianne Slechta Walther, Dan Nelson, Allen Henry, Earl Stabenow. Standing: Wayne Gahler, Bob Rowekamp, Marv Guse, Larry Kreykes, John Brandts, Charlie Floodquist, Don Herrlich, Barry Raatz, Arlyn Zeitz, Russ Thaden, Roger Tarjeson.

Class of 1971

On Saturday, July 30, classmates of 1971 met in Rochester to celebrate their graduation 45 years ago.



Front row: Gary Brockway, Denny Zeise, Sherry Zeise, Gerry Boe, Mavis Bowman, Sue Rhodes and Marilyn Kahnke
Back row: John Meinke, Leland Glabe, Randy Anderson, Delores Dennis, Darrell Boe and Merrill Bernau
Missing Mark Sowiejka



Together with his granddaughter, Mandi Swenson, Ed Frederick wrote a booklet entitled *Put SPICE in Your Life*.

In the Foreword, Ed wrote:

I developed a passion for agriculture and rural life early in my life through the home farm, 4-H, FFA and the U of M. I was born and raised on a general livestock farm in Blue Earth County, Minnesota with six brothers and two sisters.

I was active in Mankato FFA Chapter earning a State Farmers Degree and participating in the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri.

I met my wife Shirley in 4-H. We got married in 1951 and started our life together at the St. Paul Campus of the U of M. We retired from the U of M after enjoying our employment there for 62 years.

During this time, I have given over 1,000 presentations. Over 300 of these were to 4-H, FFA, and other Rural Youth groups.

The goals of the presentations were to inspire and motivate.

The message was simple – “**Put SPICE in Your Life.**”

The presentation was meaningful to people based on comments through the years; such as “I remember my commencement speaker Ed Frederick and his message was SPICE”, and “I still have a slip of paper in my billfold with SPICE on it and what the letters mean.”

I know it is difficult to transmit the impact of an inspirational and motivational presentation through the written word, but my granddaughter, Mandi Swenson, is going to do this. May you gain some ideas that will be useful to you as you “**Put SPICE in Your Life.**”

You may obtain a copy of this booklet by contacting:

Deanne Nelson (Email: nelso191@umn.edu), UMW / SSA Alumni Association, 35838 120th Street, Waseca, MN 56093

Limited quantities available

Alum Updates

David Storrs 1958

A retired sheet metal worker, I enjoy working around the yard and riding motorcycles. 173 Auburn Way, Vacaville, CA 95688

Roger Nahrgang 1968

Since graduation, I started farming renting my parents land and began raising hogs. I got drafted into the U.S. Army in August of 1970 and retired as a First Sergeant in February 1993. During my time in the Army I married Mary Johnson, she graduated from SSA in 1971. We have 2 children, a girl and a boy. After retirement from the Army we started a handyman business. After 5 years we sold the business and moved to Albuquerque, NM. I started working for an apartment complex in New Mexico and eventually ended up in Scottsdale, AZ. At the end of 20 years and 5 months I retired from that company as the Director of Service Support in Phoenix Arizona.

Mary worked in the Gilla River Health Care facility in Sacaton, AZ as a nurse manager. After 18 years Mary retired in 2015.

Both Mary Johnson Nahrgang and Roger P. Nahrgang live at 19537 E. Happy Rd. Queen Creek, AZ. 85142. Email: Mary- msmern@gmail.com, Roger- rpnahrgang@gmail.com

Nancy Wojnowski 1977

I graduated in Animal Health Technology from UMW in the summer of 1977. I applied for and was offered a job as an animal health tech at Pet Emergency Treatment in Anchorage Alaska, starting Feb 1978. It was brand new, and I was one of the first two technicians to work there. I was there until around the summer of 1980. I then worked for East Anchorage Vet Hospital from 1980 to April 1, 1985. I was married with a baby at that point, and in 1986 I applied for a job doing administrative work with the State of Alaska, Dept of Public Safety in order to get paid leave, and benefits. I worked my way up the ladder and after 28.5 years, retired on Oct 1, 2014 as an Administrative Manager, doing budget and purchasing.

I'm currently enjoying retirement, traveling often to Fargo ND to visit my elderly mother, and my brothers who are still farming in the Starkweather ND area. My younger sister lives in Hackettstown NJ.

I play piano for my local church, and help with my 2 grandchildren, who live only a mile away. I have a daughter and a son. My husband is retired also, and we enjoy our cabin near Lake Louise, Glennallen AK. 23008 Tundra Rose Ave, Chugiak AK 99567

Kevin Capelle 1990

I have two sons David and Travis. Farm with my father on a crop and calve to finishing Holstein steer. 11849 Oak Ave SW, Stewartville, MN 55976
Kevcapelle1969@gmail.com

In the News

Editor's note: Harry Hevling was a SSA graduate of the class of 1964.

The Elinor D. Hands
Outstanding Achievement Award
Presented by: David King, CEO,
Brain injury Alliance of Minnesota
April 2016

The Elinor D. Hands Outstanding Achievement Award recognizes an individual whose efforts significantly advance the cause of brain injury or who exemplifies accomplishment after brain injury. This award can go to someone who has personally experienced brain injury as well as to a family member, a provider or an advocate. This year, we are pleased to present the Elinor D. Hands award to Harry Nevling.

Harry's experience in the field of brain injury began in 1993, when his son, Terry, was assaulted. Although Terry survived the attack, he was left unable to care for himself due to the life-altering anoxic brain injury he received. Harry and his wife, Jo, moved their family from Colorado back to their hometown in Minnesota to care for Terry.

But, caring for someone with a brain injury frequently means acting as an advocate for all people living with brain injury.

In his role as brain injury advocate, Harry has served on the MN Region 10 Quality Assurance Council, the Olmstead County Social Service Advisory Board and spent six years on the TBI Advisory Committee.

Harry also has served in leadership roles with the Rochester Area Brain Injury Community Committee, playing a diligent and active role in the Alliance's annual Walk for Thought fundraiser, Town Hall Forums, Disability Day at the Capitol, and the Minnesota Advocacy Project.

For the past 14 years, Harry has endeavored to strengthen Minnesota's services for people living with brain injury. However, for all of his accomplishments, Harry shared that one of his proudest achievements is helping his son Terry to smile and to laugh. And this is the very essence of enhancing the quality of life.

Obituaries

Arlan L. Brase, age 75, of Owatonna, passed away Monday January 25, 2016 at the Owatonna Hospital. Friends may greet the family from 4-7 PM Thursday January 28, 2016 at the Brick - Meger Funeral Home (1603 Austin Rd.) and one hour prior to the funeral service at the church. Funeral will be 10:30 AM Friday January 29, at the Associated Church, Owatonna, with Rev. Jim Oberg presiding. Interment will be at Owatonna Memorial Gardens.

Arlan was born August 9, 1940 in Waseca to parents Anton "Tony" and Lillian (Ewest) Brase. He was confirmed at St. Paul Lutheran Church near Meriden. Arlan graduated from Waseca Agriculture School in 1958. In the summer of 1966 Arlan married Deloris Quaintance. For his career, he was a small business owner of AB Liquor and AB Trucking.

He enjoyed meeting new people and could always be seen striking up a conversation with anyone. Besides that, Arlan enjoyed his family and grandchildren, watching their sports, plays and dance recitals.

He is survived by his wife, Deloris; two sons, Ryan, of Owatonna, and Robb (Marne) of Littleton, CO; daughter, Michele (Arthur) Hanson, of Owatonna; four grandsons, Chase and Preston Hanson, Anton and Gaven Brase; one granddaughter, Kaylin Hanson; sisters, Geraldine Hemmesch, Jackie Santisteban, Audrey Wornson, and many nieces and nephews. Arlan was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Bonnie Strong.

Darla Jean Vilt, age 75 of Waseca, died at home on Friday, July 8, 2016.

Born in Fairmont on January 22, 1941, Darla was the daughter of Harold Raymond and Minnie Johanna (Thamer) Wood. She graduated from high school in Truman before attending Mankato State University. From 1960 until 1962 she worked as "Miss Merriweather" on channel 12. Darla was married to Darryl Allan Vilt on June 9, 1962 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Truman. She went on to work as an admissions secretary at Hamline University, a secretary at the University of Minnesota, a pre-school teacher at Hansel & Gretel in Waseca, and finally in administration at the hospital in Waseca. When her first grandchild was born in 1999 Darla chose to retire, and she has been a full-time grandma ever since. In years past, Darla enjoyed golf, tennis, and watching "The Young and the Restless". She also loved cards, sewing, reading, and collecting angels. More than any of these, though, caring for her children and grandchildren was her favorite past time. She was a long-time member of Grace Lutheran Church in Waseca.

Darla is survived by her husband of 54 years, Darryl of Waseca; two sons, Chris (Kim) Vilt of New Prague, and Greg (Stacy) Vilt of Hutchinson; four grandchildren, Fletcher, Ragan, Dylan, and Maximus; and one sister, Marge Knoll of Luverne. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother-in-law, Dale Knoll; and one sister-in-law, Carol (Vilt) Peterson.



Jean Anderson is the wife of Superintendent Emeritus of the Southern Research and Outreach Center, Richard Anderson

Jean Anderson August 23, 2016

A volunteer's volunteer, Jean gave to others the fullest measure of love for her fellow humans. In Bigfork, to her church and community. In Grand Rapids, to her church and Itasca Memorial Hospital. She organized a monthly busload of volunteers from the Grand Rapids- Hibbing area to make one on one visits to patients at the Moose Lake State Hospital.

In Waseca, again her church, chair of the Waseca Seniors Citizens, hospice volunteer, meals on wheels. With Bernadette Gallagher and Jan Knudson she organized hospice volunteers in the communities of Waseca, Waterville, New Richland and Janesville. She served as volunteer coordinator for Lakeshore Inn nursing home in Waseca. Jean was the first woman president of Lakeside Country Club in Waseca. In 1984 she was awarded the Don Eustice Memorial Award for Community Service.

Back in Bigfork after retirement in 1992 she served on the Board of Directors of Itasca County Hospice as well as being an active volunteer.

A move to Becketwood in 2006 provided a final opportunity for service with Chaplains Jim and John at the Minneapolis Veteran's Home.

Jean died of Alzheimer's complications on Aug. 23, 2016 at Episcopal Homes in St. Paul.

She was born on July 22, 1928 in New Ulm to Irvin and Eleonora Becker. She attended schools in Marcell, Deer River, Itasca Community College in Coleraine and briefly at Macalester College. She married Dick Anderson on Dec. 28, 1948.

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Obituaries *continued***Jean Anderson**

Dick's favorite memory is of Jean appearing at the University of Minnesota Experiment Station field days at Grand Rapids and Waseca and joining farmers for tours of the research plots.

Jean's loved five mile walks, reading, snorkeling, cross-country skiing, theater, numerous Maui trips and politics. She was Sen. Dave Durenberger's Waseca County campaign chair and headed campaigns for Speaker of the House Rod Searle and husband Dick's successful run for the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, brother James and sister Verna Stacklie(Dudley) She is survived by her husband, sons Stephen, Mark (Diane Wilson) and Paul, Grandchildren Jillian White(Abraham), Jason Anderson(Lisbeth) Kelly Anderson and two great grandchildren, sisters Marideanne Wolfe(Robert) and Ruth Blum.

Memorials are requested to the University of Minnesota Foundation, 200 Oak St. S.E. Suite 500, Minneapolis, MN. 55455 for the Dick and Jean Anderson Production Agriculture Research Fellowship at the Southern Research and Outreach Center or the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation, 350 N.W. 1st Ave. Suite E, Grand Rapids, MN. 55744 for the Jeff Davies Scholarship for the Arts at Itasca Community College in honor of a favorite instructor.

Patricia J. McNab, age 53, of Waseca passed away on Friday, June 17, 2016 at her home surrounded by her family after battling breast cancer.

Patricia Jeanette, daughter of Joseph and Evelyn (Johnson) McCarthy was born on September 1, 1962 in Faribault, MN. She attended and graduated from Faribault High School before going on to attend the University of Minnesota in Waseca. On December 15, 1989, Pat was united in marriage to David James McNab of Brewster, MN in Waldorf, MN. She worked for many years at Hartley Elementary School in Waseca before her most recent position at Team Academy. Pat loved gardening, showing rabbits, and spending time with her children.

Pat is survived by her husband, David McNab of Waseca; children, Pamela (James) Fett of Owatonna, MN, Joseph McNab of Waseca, and Katie (Andrew) Plumski of Austin, MN; parents, Joseph and Evelyn McCarthy; brothers, Robert (Emily) McCarthy of Kenyon, MN and Brian (Cory Jelinek) McCarthy of North St. Paul, MN; sisters, Mary (Dennis) Forcelle of Lake City, MN, Lynn (Dennis) Schiell of Sogn, MN, Carol (Chi) Langer of Kenyon, MN, and Sarah (David) McCool of West Concord, MN; many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews; and by many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Ann Marie Dietz in 1982.

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Obituary for Bradley Dean Schwartz at Peterson-Grimsno Chapel
Bradley Dean Schwartz, age 53 of Clearwater, and formerly of Rogers and Monticello, passed away on Thursday August 4, 2016 at St. Cloud Hospital of St. Cloud, MN.

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SUGGESTED MEMBERS
DESCRIPTION
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