Journalism at Iowa State has seen evolution and transformation in its first century, while it has retained true to its bedrock mission of educating communications professionals. With the dizzying pace of change wrought by the marketplace and technology, our ability to peer ahead through the next 100 years seems fuzzy, at best.

But change will be constant. In this vein, you will certainly note a significant change to the Newsletter you hold in your hands — or scroll through on a flat-panel monitor.

The day-in, day-out happenings in the Greenlee School are now chronicled quickly on the Web site and explored in the Director's Newsletter, available electronically.

The Iowa State Daily also offers worldwide access to information on an ever-shorter news cycle, offering glimpses not only of how students are handling the craft of journalism but also of goings-on on campus.

The idea that information should be stored well past its expiration date for dissemination once a year is antiquated, at best. With rising postage costs and increasing pressure on budgets for materials and printing, the duplication borders on wastefulness.

So this year's Newsletter highlights just a single news development — the exciting new web of resources being created through the Society for Alumni and Friends. Caralee Adams, ‘86, explains some of the goals for the ambitious organization.

Unchanged from previous Newsletters is the focus on connecting alumni through individual updates. You can still find out what your classmates have been doing recently and how to contact them, as well as remember those who have died.

In future years, we will publish our annual Newsletter. But printed versions only will be available through subscription, whereas the online version will be free and available at our Web site, www.jlmc.iastate.edu.

Most of the news updates this year were submitted via that Web site, though there will always be a place for the handwritten dispatches mailed to the office. Next year, as submissions roll in, we expect to contact some of you for expanded features about your lives.

Brenda Witherspoon
Open Letter to Alumni and Friends:

As you know, the Greenlee School of Journalism and Communication celebrated its Centennial in 2005. Perhaps you read about our First Amendment Week in April or our Honors Reception featuring two outstanding alumni, Karol DeWulf Nickell, editor of *Better Homes & Gardens*, and Hugh Sidey, former White House correspondent for *Time* magazine. You may have heard about the research accomplishments of our graduate program, which we celebrated at the August convention of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. (The School ranked ninth nationally in overall productivity.) Or you might have attended homecoming in October, when we chronicled journalism education in a slide show depicting decades of students and faculty known for their work ethic.

In any case, I wanted to close the Centennial year by writing to our alumni and friends because you are vital to the School and have helped shape our rich heritage. To illustrate that, I am enclosing our 13 Commandments for Reporters, which date to 1919. Some words may be antiquated, but concepts behind them still apply, as you will see in the second document, *First Principles of Modern Journalism*.

Earlier this month I asked 50 prominent journalists to share their first principles. More than half responded (with several echoing similar principles about the importance of accuracy or urgency). While it is true that these principles concern news journalism, they really apply to any media platform in the Greenlee School. That is why journalism education at Iowa State University has thrived for 100 years. Ensuring the accuracy of advertising or promotional copy, making it relevant, lively and concise, applies in those industries, as well as in news divisions. Being professional also is a cardinal-and-gold rule across disciplines. So are these: Avoid assumptions, know your readers (or clientele), be inclusive, work zealously on deadline, shun absolutes, play fair, practice intellectual honesty, show courage, verify data and be accountable.

One of my favorite contributions comes from a recent Greenlee graduate, Michaela Saunders, reporter for *The Omaha World-Herald*, who states that true convergence is not technological but ethical: “Truth is the convergence of accurate, complete and fair reporting and conscientious writing.” That also applies across media platforms. Accuracy, completeness, fairness and conscientiousness are part of our heritage, too.

During this time of year, we traditionally give thanks and count our blessings. Among them are the traditions that you helped instill in the Greenlee School and the continuing work ethic of the faculty, staff and students who will ensure our heritage for years to come.

Michael Bugeja, director
Professor

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13 Commandments for Reporters

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And bearing this epigraph from Kipling:

“I keep six honest serving men,
They taught me all I knew,
Their names are What and Where and When,
And Why and How and Who.”

1. Accuracy always.
2. Get the big things in a talk, meeting, interview or story. Avoid trivial details, but get significant words, acts or facts.
3. Make your story brief, clear, interesting and put punch into it. Put the whole story in the first sentence, the main things first and “also spokes” at the end.
4. Don’t be afraid to let a man tell part of the story in his own words.
5. Get advance copy of speech or report when possible.
6. If you can’t get your assignment, don’t come back. Go to the nearest phone and call up for instructions.
7. Do unto the linotype operator and copy reader as you would have them do unto you—when it comes to writing clean copy.
8. “I have found that the particular thing you have to surrender to is facts.”—Woodrow Wilson.
9. To misspell a man’s name or omit his middle initial is to insult him.
10. All the world loves a lover—and reads a good human interest story.
11. Always get the story you go after—and another one.
12. Use your brains and your dictionary—if you have either.
13. “P.D.Q.” [Pretty Darn Quick]
First Principles of Modern Journalism

1. Act with Urgency
“Get it right and make it relevant, lively and concise”—Alan Miller, managing editor/news, The Columbus Dispatch

2. Be Professional
“A courteous journalist will get far more information than the blustering, demanding one. Besides, courtesy in dealing with obnoxious sources shows your professionalism. Paraphrase, paraphrase. … As a skilled writer, you can almost always express something more clearly and concisely than your source can. Do your interviews face to face”—Dick Doak, senior columnist, The Des Moines Register

3. Cover Your Behind
“While this may seem a cowardly way to approach journalistic principles, it is in fact the opposite. Should a reader or your editor question your story … you will have never single-sourced, you will have verified and identified the sources you can, and pointed out if other sources are not available and why. It is an exhausting process which if followed will ensure that in backing up your story you have left no reachable stone unturned”—Kate Webb, combat reporter, United Press International and Agence France Presse

4. Don’t Assume
“Denise can be spelled ‘Denyse,’ and the angry young artist can wear a two-carat diamond and live in a tract home. More often than you’d ever expect, man does indeed bite dog”—Allison Engel, freelance magazine journalist, Meredith Corporation, Los Angeles Times and Washington Post

5. Know for Whom You Work
“Get it right, and always keep in mind that you work for the readers”—Barry Sussman, editor, Watchdog Project of the Nieman Foundation

6. Include All Voices
“Too often journalists are lazy and don’t make extra efforts to include all voices in their work. If a desired source is not available, there are always other alternatives to represent a variety of viewpoints”—Andrea Tortora, managing editor, Cincinnati Business Courier

7. Mash Down the Accelerator
“Not to be reckless, but to act aggressively to get the news to readers. Practically speaking, this can mean going for the extra page of coverage when news breaks, not for the next cycle. Or waiting perilously close to deadline to update a story. And, in the end, it all boils down to a smaller-scale corollary: You’d be amazed at the good work you can do in 5 minutes”—John Woods, night news editor, Omaha World-Herald

8. Never Use Absolutes
“Never use absolutes (except in issuing this rule, that is), such as: biggest, smallest, first, last, most expensive, etc.”—Rox Laird, editorial writer, The Des Moines Register

9. Play Fair
“The writer who places primacy on serving the reader and the story isn’t putting his journalism at the service of hidden agendas, ideological biases, unacknowledged vested interests (either personal or institutional). If the writer has strong opinions on a subject, he should share them and explain them rather than try to hide them. This is part of playing fair, giving the reader enough context and frame of reference to make an informed judgment”—Donald McLeese, former Chicago Sun Times columnist, current journalism professor, University of Iowa

10. Question, Question, Question
“The watchdog principle … imposes the fundamental duty to bark our heads off when we discover that institutions serving society and the people governing it fail to carry out their responsibility. To that end, every reporter must be an investigative reporter whose duty is to question, question, question. Only through such questioning, which is an investigative activity, can we determine the facts, which lead to truth”—Stephen Berry, former investigative reporter, Los Angeles Times, and journalism professor, University of Iowa

11. Resist the Shareholders
“Cynical reporters would tell you the pressure is to shareholders, not to readers. More cynical reporters would tell you that’s why there are so few of both”—Anonymous, reporter, major metropolitan newspaper

12. Show Intellectual Honesty
“Intellectual honesty—by which I mean, don’t cherry pick your facts; try to identify your biases and blind spots and work against them; and report the hell out of your stories”—Brent Cunningham, managing editor, Columbia Journalism Review

13. Take Heart
“The lack of courage—fear to offend, to be scared of retaliation—is endemic in those who practice the craft of journalism today. That includes their corporate bosses”—Ben Blackstock, former director, Oklahoma Press Association

14. Unify Truth
“Truth is the convergence of accurate, complete and fair reporting and conscientious writing”—Michaela Saunders, education reporter, Omaha World-Herald

15. Verify, Question, Dig
“Verify: Check assertions, Internet findings. Question authority: Status does not confer truthfulness. Dig: ‘Layer One’ journalism betrays the public’s confidence in you the journalist”—Melvin Mencher, professor emeritus, Columbia University, and author of News Reporting and Writing

16. Write without Fear or Favor
“Our is a rough and at times ragged trade, a first swipe at sorting out what it all means. Sometimes that yields incomplete reporting, imbalance and, yes, even error. But if all we do flows from a basic instinct to serve the people’s right and need to know, without fear or favor, our purpose is of the highest order”—Conrad Fink, former Associated Press vice president, and current professor, Morris Chair of Newspaper Strategy and Management, University of Georgia
Hugh Sidey, ‘50

Editor’s Note: Hugh Sidey, ‘50, died of a heart attack Nov. 21, 2005, while in Paris. William Dillon, ‘04—like Sidey, a former Iowa State Daily staffer—wrote this obituary for The Tribune in Ames, where he now works.

As a kid, Hugh Sidey swept the floors of his family’s weekly newspaper office in Greenfield, a town of 2,000 in Adair County.

By the age of 30, he had made it through Iowa State’s journalism department, had worked for the Council Bluffs Nonpareil, the Omaha World-Herald and Life magazine, and he joined Time magazine in 1957.

For the next 48 years, Sidey provided political coverage for Time Inc., covering 10 U.S. presidents, from Dwight D. Eisenhower to George W. Bush.

Sidey, 78, left behind a lasting impression in the world of journalism and on those who knew him or followed his work.

It was Sidey’s use of words that left a mark on former WHO broadcaster Lee Kline ‘51.

“He’s brilliant,” said Kline, who met Sidey at the Daily. “All the other writers are just sort of plodding along.”

Michael Bugeja, director of the Greenlee School, dubbed Sidey’s work “hard-hat journalism,” a way of working hard, building trust and taking pride in work ethic.

Sidey began covering the Eisenhower administration in 1957. From 1966 to 1996, he wrote “The Presidency,” a column for Time, focusing more on the personal aspects of the country’s leaders.

Gaining the trust of the world’s most powerful leaders, Sidey was often invited to be in the background, on hand to record the history of the presidents as it happened.

In 1963, he rode in the Dallas motorcade when John F. Kennedy was assassinated. In 1972, he flew to China with Richard Nixon. In 1993, he was the only reporter invited on the plane when George H.W. Bush left Washington.

“Whenever he came out to Iowa, why I’d hustle over to where he was and ask him, ‘What about this president, what about that...
By Caralee Adams, ’86

The Greenlee Society of Alumni and Friends is one step closer to becoming a reality with the establishment of an organizing committee in October.

At the fall Greenlee Advisory Council meeting, Chris Adams, ’88, and Caralee Johnson Adams, ’86, announced the names of committee members representing various cities and journalism professions.

The Society will provide a network for alumni and friends to reconnect and be resources to students entering the profession. Plans are to establish chapters in Des Moines, the District of Columbia, Chicago, Minneapolis, Omaha, Kansas City, Dallas, Denver, Los Angeles and other cities.

Next year, the Society will host two events to bring friends and alumni together. The first is tentatively set for 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 11, at Meredith Publishing in Des Moines. Later in the spring, a Washington, D.C., reception is planned. If you are interested in helping with these events, please contact Caralee or Chris at isu.greenlee.friends@verizon.net.

Now that a committee is established, the Society hopes to build membership. There is no charge for membership in the Society. It is not a fundraising organization. Rather, it is a network to link alumni and provide information to students. From being a resource in your city on jobs to serving as a guest speaker on campus, members can participate as much as they wish. A Web site, isujournalismfriends.org, will provide ongoing information about the Society and its members.

The ISU Alumni Association has sanctioned the Society of Alumni and Friends as an official branch of the Alumni Association. Names of ISU journalism graduates since 1970 have been provided to the organizing committee to help with Society recruitment.

Join the Greenlee Society of Alumni and Friends

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HOME ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________
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JOB TITLE & DESCRIPTION ________________________________________________________
WORK ADDRESS ________________________________________________________________
WORK PHONE NUMBER & E-MAIL ________________________________________________
WAYS I’D LIKE TO HELP …
___SERVE AS RESOURCE TO STUDENTS
   (anything from corresponding by e-mail, mentoring, reviewing résumés, taking them out to lunch)
___SERVE AS A RESOURCE ON INTERNSHIP AND JOB INFORMATION
___PROVIDE TOUR OF MY WORKPLACE
___SERVE AS A GUEST SPEAKER ON CAMPUS OR VIA TELECONFERENCEING
___HELP WITH SOCIETY EVENTS IN MY CITY
   (serve on committee to host a reception, make phone calls, mail invitations)
___HOST SOCIETY EVENT/RECEPTION AT MY WORKPLACE
___OTHER?

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Faculty Updates

Current faculty

**Eric Abbott.**
It was another eventful year—my 32nd here at Iowa State. Despite all the years, I continue to love teaching and, for the first time, was able to teach science communication last spring. I also continue to teach theory and editing. Internationally, this year included four trips to Egypt, where I am a consultant on a U.S. Agency for International Development project to introduce real-estate mortgages. I spent about two months of my year looking out over the Nile River and the pyramids. In July, son Matt and I rode across Iowa on our bicycles, celebrating my 18th RAGBRAI. Matt also finished his Ph.D. in animal genetics at Iowa State and is now living in Estherville, Iowa. Daughter Rachel had her first child in August. And son Andy is now a senior at Ames High School. Tatyana, Andy and I traveled to San Antonio for this year’s ACE convention. In October, I helped put together a 300-slide show commemorating the 100th anniversary of the Greenlee School. That brought back a lot of memories since I’ve been associated with the place for more than 40 years.

**Elizabeth “Beth” Haag.**
Undergrad degree, ’89; graduate degree, ’95; lecturer since 2005. It’s great to be back walking the halls of Hamilton, although they have changed quite a bit since I left. The only first-floor room that was in the same place as I remembered was the women’s restroom! The Hamilton Hall “extreme makeover” is impressive! Teaching JlMC 321 and 342L has been the best continuing-education experience for me. My freelance business, Endeavors in Communication, continues to grow. I work for Mediacom, ESPN Regional Television, Fox Sports Net, the Allianz Championship and Wells Fargo. However, being in Cooperstown, N.Y., for Ryne Sandberg’s induction into the baseball Hall of Fame was my highlight of 2005! Beth Haag, an alumna and current lecturer in the Greenlee School, traveled to Cooperstown, N.Y., for Ryne Sandberg’s induction into the baseball Hall of Fame.

**James Crook, taught ’69-’74,**
and wife Diane Jones Crook (ISU BS, ’64) live in Knoxville, Tenn., after retirement. Dr. Crook was director of the School of Journalism & Electronic Media at the University of Tennessee for 28 years. He returned from retirement to an interim leadership position last year to help the School maintain its consistent reaccreditation and form a curriculum for converged journalism delivery systems. They remain involved in civic and church activities in Knoxville. 8614 Belle Mina Way, Knoxville, TN 37923. jacrook@mac.com

**Wayne P. Davis, MS ’88, taught ’88-’98.**
An otherwise uneventful year was highlighted Oct. 22 when I received the James W. Schwartz Award from the Greenlee School during its homecoming reception. Attending the Seymour, Iowa, Old Settlers Reunion in July took me back to the town where I published the weekly Seymour Herald for 30 years. Ferne and I are frequent attendees at C.Y. Stephens Auditorium events. Several church-related duties keep me busy enough. 1003 Kennedy St., Ames, IA 50010. wdavis@iastate.edu

Former faculty

**Robert Crom, ’50, taught ’66-’88.**
A new e-mail address may be the most exciting change I have to report. 5195 Chokecherry Trail N.W., Hackensack, MN 56452. rlcrom@arvig.net

**Elizabeth Hansen, MS ’76, taught ’74-’79.**
In my 18th year at Eastern Kentucky University, I became the adviser to the student newspaper, The Eastern Progress, in January. It’s fun but exhausting. I still teach community journalism, media ethics and magazine courses, as well. After four years as president of the Bluegrass chapter of SPJ, I stepped down July 1 and now serve as liaison to campus chapters in central Kentucky. On the personal side, our two daughters married in a double wedding in June. 976 Stonewall Road, Lexington, KY 40504. liz.hansen@eku.edu

**Bill Kunerth, taught ’57-’88.**
We’re in our third year back in cattle country and keeping busier than we should. Willie has started a 15-member antiquers’ group. Then there’s church, the museum, Arts Council, Concert Association, Lions Club and more. Hardly have time to keep up the fences on the ranch. Elk are moving onto our place, so this chore is increasingly frustrating. Had a couple of small lightning fires on the ranch in one week—first in 25 years. We’ve sworn off politics—at least temporarily—after Tom Daschle’s defeat. Now we understand what it is to be part of a minority (i.e. a Democrat in Belle Fourche, S.D.) We both enjoyed a week back in the Ames area visiting many old compadres and taking in the excellent...
First Amendment Week program that Michael and Spoon arranged. Just hit 81 and don’t suppose I should worry about such things, but hope the school can work with President Geoffrey and the regents to maintain a strong professional component in the journalism program. 19 Statesboro Drive, Belle Fourche, SD 57717. wkunerth@rushmore.com

J.W. “Jim” Schwartz, ’41 and ’60, taught ’45-’78, department head ’65-’77.
Big family news: Our granddaughter, Lindsey, was married in July on what was arguably the hottest day of the summer. The ceremony took place in a clearing on the Carlson farm (family) northwest of Ames. Fortunately, no one collapsed in the near-100-degree day, and everything progressed on schedule. We also learned that we will be greeting our fifth great-grandchild—all in the same family—next spring. Our retirement home experiences continue to be pleasing and fulfilling. And our summer at Ten Mile Lake proved to be a tranquil one, giving us time and opportunity to once again enjoy the rewards of life at our cherished northwoods retreat. Jim and Toni Schwartz, 7500 York Ave. S., No. 437, Edina, MN 55435 (winter); 4850 Hiram Loop Road N.W., Hackensack, MN 56452 (summer). jim@uslink.net.

Lorraine Wechsler, taught ’70-’90.
Dear friends, I’m still teaching memoir writing at the Duke Institute for Learning in Retirement. Our second book of selections from student work comes out in October. My students are good writers all, who have led fascinating lives. Some months ago I picked up the phone and called some former student science writers. I found them working hard and well, managing careers and babies, with wife and husband both on newspaper staffs. No wonder they have no time to write the Newsletter. To my former colleagues: My family hopes. Lorraine. 106 Hunter Hill Place, Chapel Hill, NC 27517. lgwechsler@mindspring.com

Tim Wulfemeyer, MS ’74, taught ’74-’75.
Daughter Melissa made us grandparents. Kona Hunter Valenzuela was born March 26. Son Eric is a freshman at UC-Davis. He’s majoring in Environmental Science. Tim: Still at SDSU in the School of Communication. Blackwell Publishing (ISU Press) will publish Online Newswriting soon. Blackwell already publishes Beginning Radio-TV Newswriting and Radio-TV Newswriting: A Workbook. Still golfing and playing old-man baseball. (Also see Lori Wulfemeyer, ’74.) School of Communication, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA 92182. twulf@mail.sdsu.edu

1930s

Helen (Clark) Derr, ’39.
I can’t believe it’s 66 years since I graduated from Iowa State. I often wonder how many of our class are left. At age 86, I live comfortably and write some for local publications. And I am still grateful for the B.S. in home economics and journalism, which has enriched my life for all of these years. I know you continue as a top journalism school, so keep it up! 1101 - 16th St., Apt. 321, Alexandria, LA 71301.

1940s


Marilyn (Frink Jordan) George, ’44.

Ruth (Midgorden) Goodwin, ’46.
It’s a long way back to the days when Army specialized training forces marched to class from the women’s dorms; units of diesel mechanics and cooks and bakers for the Navy, as well as Navy V12s, were the men on campus. The Technical Journalism Department was headed by Ken Marvin during those World War II years. Kay Goeppeinger was our sole woman journalism professor. The things I appreciate were the trust our professors put in us to get the Daily Student out without one of them sitting on the slot, the easy camaraderie and genuine interest in us, and the professionalism we absorbed from them. Accuracy of fact – no editorializing in news reports – and accuracy in spelling were the only acceptable criteria. From reporter to managing editor to editor, those things stood me in good stead then and through the years, as they have many others. May the Greenlee School continue to raise high standards in the various fields of communication. rajaxgood@aol.com

Lois (Stewart) Wolman, ’46.
This has been a full year for me, medically speaking. I had two cataract operations, the first quite successful; the second one, we’ll see. I don’t get 20/20 vision out of this because I have an ailment called corneal (or Fuchs’) dystrophy, which meant that I really had to beg the doctor for the surgery. (He was afraid it would damage the cornea. Didn’t the first time; the second time, we’ll see.) The surgery did finally get daughter Ann to New York for the first time in years. Also entertained Dick Crowther for a weekend. Didn’t get to Brevard, N.C., for Christmas as planned; Ann recklessly rented out the house she was living in, and then her new house didn’t get finished on time; she spent Christmas camping out in the Everglades. I’ll be there in November, hope there’s no hurricane like last year’s. Ann, now a real-estate tycoon (more than half a dozen houses), also teaches acupuncture and karate and works for H&R Block.

Ruth (Hackett) Webber, ’47.
Business manager for DellMag, a trade quarterly for perishable foods in supermarkets in Northern California/Nevada. My husband, Red Raber, died in August from the ravages of ALS. I have moved to sunny town of Sonoma in wine country, closer to sons and daughter. Support stem-cell research. ALS put my Captain R.R. Raber, U.S. Navy, ret., in a prison of his own body. Terrible disease with no cure. Peaceful end, however, thanks to Marin Hospice. 432 E. Napa St., Sonoma, CA 95476. ruthwebber@comcast.net

Kenneth Krogh, ’47.
My wife and I are doing fine. Still writing. 8709 Waterford Road, Alexandria, VA 22308. kkkrogh@cox.net

Dorothy (Buchheit) Clark, ’48.
Just want to let everyone know I’m still alive and still working two part-time jobs – The Messenger newspaper and medical transcriptions. Was happy to see John Anderson (the other “Pinky” from the
ISU ’40s) when he stopped by the newsroom. 212 N. 28th St., Fort Dodge, IA 50501.

Can’t recall that I’ve met any recent Newsletter deadlines. (October is always busy with baton throwing—although it did not make homecoming halftime this year; extreme, extended Arizona heat prevented usual September workouts.) So this will recap: 2000-2004: Initiated and pursued the concept of a nationwide church bell ringing for friend Ronald Reagan at the time of his passing, but struck out with countless organizations to implement the advance planning of a media campaign featuring testimonials to his dependence on God. 100 percent support for the idea from all sectors, but we don’t have the resources. Baton throwing: 2002 HC halftime, embarrassingly, as I simply changed position on the field during Mr. Cy Award presentation, student section roared a welcome, drowning out the former. Busy on the phone Monday apologizing to everyone appropriate at ISU. For 2004, 125th anniversary, alumni exec Jeff Johnson and I would have had a 125-baton drop to me, but right kind of a helicopter not available in Iowa. 2004: When Nancy Reagan’s approval came on the funeral week Monday, I worked the media the four days before the Friday state funeral in Washington. Amazingly, USA Today and the networks confirmed that church bells actually rang cross country, in unison with the Washington National Cathedral. Credit to my 20 top personal advisers, everywhere. 2005: Gave an editorial writer the head, “Iraqis voted in harms way, reviving give me liberty or give me death.” Re Katrina, a former naval air admiral and I worked from the beginning for media coverage of the 19-ship, Navy Katrina Task Force that worked the Gulf, but unknown to the public. How come? 2006: Plan baton throwing for HC halftime. See you at the journalism reception.

Irene (Meyer) Brungaber, ’48.
Ed’s retired from his sales-engineer career, but the traveling habit continues, and now I go along. We try to keep track of our four kids, 14 grandchildren and a great-granddaughter. We provide them with food and shelter as needed, and they help us with tech problems. Stay in touch! We’re still welcoming visitors at 390 Parkway Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15228. edandirene@juno.com

Gwen Lam, MS ’48.
Still using what I learned about journalism at Iowa State some 57 years after leaving. At 83, I’m thankful still to be doing some Christian writing and miscellaneous writing assignments.

John Anderson, ’49.
Playing golf as often as possible, going to Yuma, Ariz., each November. Continue to work with SCORE, helping small business. After 121 years in the Anderson name, we sold our family farm as of March 1 to father and son ag grads of ISU. Prefer local ownership of Iowa land. 111 N. Emerald Drive, No. 1, Storm Lake, IA 50588. jander@iw.net

Louise (Brooks) Swegle, ’49.
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Wayne E. Swegle, ’49.
I am happily enjoying the sights and sounds of the Arkansas River from my deck and dock. I’m vice president of the Arkansas chapter of Partners of the Americas, which has a relationship with East Bolivia. We hosted the International Convention of Partners in mid-November. I get more feedback as newsletter editor for our 140-member property owners association than I used to get as managing editor of Successful Farming magazine. Well, like politics, news is local. I’m thoroughly enjoying retirement, even while tending to 96,000 trees I had planted on my farm in Clarke County, Iowa. Life is good! 2 Crystal Mountain Lane, Maumelle, AR 72113. weswesegle@sbcglobal.net

Ray Dankenbring, ’50.
Still writing – working on several books. No fiction – all of my books so far have been history and biographies. Lois and I sold our house in Kirkwood, a suburb of St. Louis, after living there for 54 years. We bought a new apartment eight miles west in a retirement community called Meramec Bluffs. It is built 100-plus feet above the Meramec River and is surrounded by beautiful ridges of trees. We spent winters in Tucson and Green Valley, Ariz., for 10 years – the last six we drove back and forth 1,500 miles each way. But the traffic gets heavier, and the trucks get longer, so we plan to stay here this winter. Our oldest son, Jim, has a law firm in Clayton, a suburb of St. Louis. He and his wife, Vickie, have three children – two boys out of college (U of Missouri) and a daughter who is a senior in high school. Our younger son, Tom, a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, is a captain for Delta Air Lines in Cincinnati, Ohio. He and his wife, Mindy, have two daughters at Miami University and two younger sons at home. I toured the Iowa State campus several years ago after driving to Boone to work with Walter Goeppinger on a history of the National Corn Growers Association, which he founded. His sister, Kay Goeppinger, was one of my great teachers in the Journalism School. Compared to my days on campus (1946-50), it seemed like all the open spots are now filled with new buildings. So life and progress move along. 162 Ameren Way, Apt. 605, Ballwin, MO 63021.

During this past year, I was invited to become a member of AgLegends, a loose organization of Extension educators and industry representatives who played key roles during the past 25 years in convincing farmers to adopt no-till cultural practices and helping Maryland become the leading no-till state. My induction came in recognition of my role as Maryland Eastern ag editor for 31 years prior to my retirement in 2001. 7298 Meadow Wood Way, Clarksville, MD 21029.

Janet (Sutherland) Aronson, ’51.
We are still in Florida for the winter and Vermont for summer and fall, enjoying the two locations. We hope we can do this at least five more years. This year I added an addendum to my Sutherland family history as we found out so much more about the Scots when we toured Orkney and Sutherlandshire a year ago. I continue to serve on the Venice Symphony Board, who now hope to get land for a Performing Arts Center for our town just south of Sarasota. Ron and I are healthy and enjoying some travel, seeing the family when we can. Our twin granddaughters are sixth-graders now. We look forward to hearing about the Greenlee School and Iowa State. 260 Santa Maria St., No. 109B, Venice, FL 34285. aronjan@peoplepc.com

Floramae “Rusty” (Gates) Geiser, ’52.
Come see us in Indy or Ft. Myers, Fla. (We’re in the book there.) (Also see Stan Geiser, MS ’52.) 4410 Lakeridge Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46234. rustystan@msn.com

Don Muhm, ’52.
ISU is really extra-special now because one grandson, Casey, graduated from ISU in May (in political science-economics) and now is a graduate student with a special scholarship-tutoring relationship; while his sister, Kelly, who graduated from Iowa Great Lakes (with honors) last spring, is now enrolled at ISU. So the personal link with ISU continues – for another (and new) generation. It was a special place for us years ago. And it still is. 3005 Meadow Lane, West Des Moines, IA 50265; 12009 Pasture Road, Spirit Lake, IA 51360 (summer).
Mary Kay (Pitzer) Bidlack, ’52.
I continue to escape most of the West Virginia winter with visits to Florida and California. The rest of the year, here in Beverly, we're working to preserve and restore our little Civil War village. P.O. Box 202, Beverly, WV 26253. mkbid@meer.net

Barbara (Short) Marseille, ’52.
Deeply involved with preservation issues in this wonderful Victorian seaport. Concentrating efforts on finishing the rehabilitation of our 1874 City Hall, still in use by the city and as the county historical museum. Raising the last $700,000 to fit up the interior and developing interior spaces. We’ve had a good summer for growing—organic vegetables, flowers and a wild meadow. Much effort spent holding the line on our town turning into Anyplace, USA. We're losing, mainly because of legal issues, but manage to slow this process down a whole lot. Just passed an ordinance controlling formula stores! Don and I still adore this town and its diverse, genuinely real people. Very much involved and love it! 1031 Cherry St., Port Townsend, WA 98368. donbarb@waypt.com

Stan Geiser, MS ’52.
(See Floramae (Gates) Geiser, ’52.) 4410 Lakeridge Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46234. rustystan@msn.com

Theodore Hutchcroft, ’53.
Happy 100th birthday to Iowa State's journalism and communication program (now called Greenlee). I attended the banquet for the 50th anniversary and am looking forward to joining in the Centennial events. Newsletters for three community groups continue to be the focus for my retired career. Congratulations to Lee Kline on receiving ISU's Andre Award. Beverly and I are continuing to do well in Central Arkansas. 1237 Winrock Drive, Morrilton, AR 72110. tede@pa.net

Maryann (Meldrum) Reynolds, ’53.
Not much news from this part of the world, except for trying to dodge hurricanes again this year. Fortunately, they all missed us, and we are so grateful. But it’s not over till the fat lady sings, and we have a few more weeks to go in the season. Ugh! Will we move from Florida – no! Come visit during non-hurricane season? We were lucky to have taken a travel-group tour to Bixli, Gulfport and Gulf Coast in August, which included a very thorough tour of New Orleans, including all the beaches, casinos, beautiful antebellum homes, parts of New Orleans I’d never seen before, etc. What a wonderful trip, and then two days later, it was all destroyed. So, so sad, and such unbelievable destruction. We’ve got to find Mother Nature some new medications to take. Maybe she needs Medicare D. 10019 Eagle Bend Drive, Hudson, FL 34667.

Jerry B. Davis, ’54.
Retired. Besides regular visits to our kids in New York, Chicago, Tucson and Spokane, we squeezed in a trip to Alaska this summer. Anchorage relatives loaned us a pickup, and we bopped about on our own. Plenty more to see and do. Plan to make following trip in 2006. Hi to all. 3200 Cody Court, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033.

Dorothy “Dort” (Owen) Williamson, ’54.
Things are pretty much the same as in the past. I did sell my California home, so will become a renter now. Always welcome any visitors to the DM area. Keep up the good work in the journalism school! You make all of us proud. 1928 Maple Circle, West Des Moines, IA 50265. dow225@aol.com

Ray Reiman, ’54.
Geri and I continue to thoroughly enjoy retirement — thanks to excellent health and lots of family, church and community activities to keep us fully alive. Would love to hear from you! 5126 Hidden Drive, Greenfield, WI 53221. eagleover50@juno.com

Zeta Baird Chulik, ’55.
Enjoyed reading everyone’s entries to the Newsletter last year and decided I should join the group this year. Can’t say there’s any great new retiree news. Still volunteering at the American Museum of Natural History and at Prospect Park, although my outdoor involvement was much less this summer because of the intense heat. I could keep up my help at collection management at Lefferts House, a 1783 Dutch farmhouse, because they knew how to build a front and back entrance that let in any air swirling around, and the dormer windows kept the upstairs somewhat cool. At our house, we used air-conditioning. 195 Willoughby Ave., No. 813, Brooklyn, NY 11205.

Mary Camille (Grout) Repenning, ’55.
Still retired, enjoying Elderhosteling and Arizona weather. 1320 W. Camino Pilos, Green Valley, AZ 85614. marycrep@aol.com

Larry Mark, ’55.
Wife Mary, son Steve and I visited Israel in September to see daughter Cindy, son-in-law and four grandkids (two and two). Enjoyed the trip and a follow-up cruise to the Greek Isles. Still providing info support for the U.S. Animal Health Association. Gardening and soccer league director duties (U-19 girls) for the local youth club take up the rest of my retirement “duties.” 6912 Vancouver Road, Springfield, VA 22151. ldmark@erols.com

Keith H. Remy, ’55.
We have survived a couple of hurricanes and many hurricane miles in 2005. Hurricane Katrina still packed 80 mph winds when it got to us (200 miles from the coast) and claimed two more of our large pine trees. Fortunately, they missed the house. Then along came Rita with 4 inches of rain and a tornado that missed our house by a couple of blocks before hitting the Mississippi State campus and causing $5 million or $6 million in damage—which hardly counts, given the devastation that stretches 75 miles inland from our coast. Our travels included my 50th class reunion at Iowa State—enjoyed getting reacquainted with classmates, including some fellow journalism grads. Other than these experiences and aging another year, things are the same. (Also see Ruth (Abbott) Remy, ’57.) 603 Sherwood Road, Starkville, MS 39759.

Dorothy (Will) Marston, ’55.
Enjoyed being back in Ames for the ’55 class reunion, seeing classmates again—especially those who “inhabited” the Press Building. Hope there will soon be another such opportunity. 13036 Holmes Point Drive N.E., Kirkland, WA 98034. trmarston1@comcast.net

David H. Anderson, ’56.
How to Tame Parkinson’s by Keeping Fit is my personal story, relating how my total commitment and the right personal trainer worked together to tame many of the debilitating effects of this awesome disease. Our unbeatable partnership helped me cast of my despair and anger, strengthen my body and restore my stamina, my confidence and my positive mental attitude. In short, allowing me to return to a normal existence. Illustrated with 38 full-color photos, the book offers a mix of exercise routines that help improve balance, mobility and posture, all major
targets of the big “P.” To date, my Web site, www.
tamingparkinsons.com, is proving very effective in
drawing response. Another 2005 highlight
— ISUers Chuck and Neala Benson of Ames
stopped by for a visit. Wish they lived closer!
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dhta0401@aol.com

Ruth (Abbott) Remy, ’57.
(See Keith H. Remy, ’55) 603 Sherwood Road,
Starkville, MS 39759.

Doris (Dockendorff) MacFarquhar, ’57.
Still migrating like the birds. West Palm Beach,
Fla., December through April (after hurricane
season); and Wellsville, N.Y., May through
November (always beautiful). Enjoying golf,
gardening, grandsons and good health. Still
playing pipe organ on Sundays in Wellsville.
195 E. Pearl St., Wellsville, NY 14895.
DDMacFar@aol.com

Mary (Gerard) Krienke, ’58.
Still freelancing, although at a much-reduced
pace. Twenty-some years of writing for DuPont
came to a near halt with the discontinuation of
almost everything I did due to budget cuts and
reorganization. I continue to write about cosmetics
and art, however. Can’t get my mind around
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Switzerland 1227. mkrienke@bluewin.ch

Betty (Gregory) LaRoche, ’58.
1291 S.W. Davenport St., Portland, OR 97201.

Alan Oppedal, ’58.
After about 10 years of intermittent effort, I
finally got the book published. Its title is The
Inevitable Triumph. I hoped to illustrate the
special qualities that enabled rural Iowans to
survive the depression, maintain a dedication to
public education, and pass along the
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with me. Wife Kathy, five years younger than me,
continues her work with the State of Michigan
Court of Appeals. We’re looking forward to a
wedding next summer—our son and his longtime
fiancé. 20460 Roseland, Southfield, MI 48076.
steve1939@earthlink.net

Steve Wells, ’60.
2005 was my first year of retirement! Funny thing,
it didn’t seem much like retirement after I completed
some 40 contract jobs for
my former employer that
took me from California to
Florida, Virginia to Knoxville. But I appreciate the
extra income the consulting brings me, not to
mention the professional challenge. I also agreed
to become a moderator for tri-annual performance
meetings of a small group of Harley Davidson
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Vincent X. Bradley, ’61.
Aloha Nui Loa. Continuing to live the cold months
in Hawaii and warm months on the mainland
(Los Altos, Calif.). It gets a little strange for an
Iowa-born boy here in the islands. The general
population puts very little value in two foundations
of my upbringing—agriculture and education. Very
few crops and livestock here now, with both sugar
and pineapples essentially gone. And education
test scores are 49th in the nation, with little
parental incentive. The economy is of very little
concern to the native Hawaiians I know. A whole
different way of looking at things. The puritan ethic
is replaced by “God provides all that we need here
in paradise.” I can’t argue when it’s true before my
eyes. 6370-14 Hawaii Kai Drive, Oahu, HI 96825.
vxbradley@hotmail.com

Bob LeMay, ’61.
We remain here on this barrier island that’s
10 miles long and 1.5 miles wide at its widest,
wondering when a hurricane will decide to target
us. Yes, we have an evacuation plan—get out.
Our elder son, David, is now critically ill from
metastasizing colorectal cancer. Only someone
who has done so similarly can truly appreciate the
pain it generates in parents, his wife, his brother
and David’s family. All of us were in St.
Petersburg, Fla., in late September for a birthday-
anniversary party for Dave and his wife, Susan.
None of us will recover from the loss, whenever it
occurs this year or next. Only 41 years old, and so
much yet to give to the world and its people. On a
more positive note, as Catholics, Mary Ann and I
coordinate our parish ministry of the sick, and we
actively participate in it. We can now empathize
with people, young and old, who are ill or who
provide care for those who are. We have one dear
woman, age 92, who just recently had a lovely
niece, age 39, hang herself. A grandson, 24, is
filled with cancer in his back. We can share more
than just words. Love your family each day.

Edith (Lillie) Bartley, ’61.
By the time you read this, it will have been two
years since Bob died (Robert L. Bartley, technical
journalism, ’59). When the first anniversary rolled
around, it didn’t seem as though it could have
been a whole year. But now two years seems
about right. The girls and I are fine. Beth, the
oldest, is a Web-site developer for the FoxNews
Web site back end. She lives about two blocks
from me. Susan is still an architect with DMJM,
an engineering firm in Los Angeles. Katherine,
the youngest, is all-but-dissertation for a Ph.D. in
demography from Penn and lives in Philadelphia.
I’m still in our 1866 house in Brooklyn, and taking
care of it is one thing that keeps me busy. I’ve
term-limited off as president of the church council,
but work (or something) really does expand to fill
the time available. 253 Hicks St., Brooklyn, NY
11201. edith.bartley@worldnet.att.net

Merrill Oster, ’61.
My week in Mississippi helping 17 families
placed by Katrina was the most satisfying
non-family event of the year. I helped raise
financing for 12 travel trailers and five homes that
provided short-term housing, extending the arm
of a Brookhaven Church and hopefully creating a
model for quick response as businessmen align
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Dennis M. “Denny” Eilers, '63.
Freelance writer/photographer. Big and busy year. Last winter, I was asked to write the 50-year history of John Deere’s Product Engineering Center in the Waterloo-Cedar Falls area. It was an honor to research and write this 72-page book that was distributed to the great engineers who worked at the PEC from 1955 to 2005. In March, fellow classmate and Vietnam veteran Jim Stephens and I were asked to exhibit several of our Vietnam combat photos at the Greenlee School of Journalism when it hosted Kate Webb as a guest speaker. Kate was a distinguished Vietnam War correspondent forUPI, and I had the wonderful opportunity to meet and visit with her at this event. I had served in Vietnam as a combat correspondent for the Army infantry and escorted a number of war correspondents in combat, but had never met Kate before. Jim served in Vietnam as a swift boat commander. In May, fellow classmate Dr. Larry Whiting of Ohio State University invited me to talk to the graduating seniors in agricultural communications. I spent a day with the “Buckeyes” and got caught up on old times with Larry. This fall brought another nice surprise for any freelancer. I was asked to submit my photos to Country magazine for the “God’s Country” section. They will run in the December-January issue—24 photos covering 10 pages with the story titled “America’s Breadbasket.” It’s the largest photojournalism layout of my photos to date in a consumer magazine. Be sure to pick up a copy at the newsstand, as I’m sure the publisher, also an ISU journalism graduate, Roy Reiman, will appreciate it. Finally, Owen and I installed all-new computer technology in this vintage 1890 Iowa farmhouse, adding another satellite dish to bring in high-speed Internet. Hey, we rock! Same address, new e-mail: 18025 Eagle Ave., Luana, IA 52156. lwoaPhotoFarm@acre.com

Melva (Lafrenz) Berkland, ’64, MS ’67.
Happy 100th anniversary, ISU journalism school! Celebrating milestones with family and friends often directs our travel. In Houston, we were on hand for the crowning of a relative as Miss Houston; the night before we saw her perform the lead role in an opera at the U of Houston. This fall we celebrated with friends when we attended Melva’s 45th high school reunion. Volunteer opportunities related to youth, art, health and nature give us reason to serve. Bill helps young people learn photo skills by conference-judging 4-H photo exhibits at county fairs. We each write family history, and Melva wrote the 100th anniversary book for our Ames church, Bethesda Lutheran. Melva serves the Ames hospital on the art board and as cashier. We are election officials in Ames. We enjoy viewing art, photo, quilt and historical exhibits. Musical and dramatic performances entertain us, too. We’ve lived in Iowa all our lives, though we eliminate winter by going to Harlingen, Texas. If you stopped at our house, you’d probably find Bill at the computer, reading or getting the latest news. Melva might be doing some experimental cooking, working with fabric or talking on the phone. Or we might be getting ready to go somewhere, such as water aerobics, or in Texas Bill might be going to kitchen band practice. Iowa’s population grew by one in October when our son Ross moved back from Chicago. He accepted a management role with Panera Bread of Iowa and is assigned to the Des Moines area. (Also see William Berkland, ’62, MS ’65, 3927 Toronto St., Ames, IA 50014; and Encore RV Park (December—April), 1900 Grace Ave., No. 172, Harlingen, TX 78550. mberlkand@fxb.com

Cathy (Lundon) Heng, ’65.
We gave our kids too big of wings: Melissa is in California, Kate in Indiana and Jeff in Denver. Two new grandchildren joined Sebastian, 2, this year: Hadley, 9 months, and Nicholas, 1 month. Jeff married this year, and we visited Minneapolis for another wedding and Owen’s family reunion. I continue to write for Saginaw News, covering Midland County, from a controversial jail to Dow Chemical’s dioxin. Michigan had a wonderful summer, and we spent it at the cottage. Christmas
at Kate’s with Sebastian in the notorious Midwest snowstorm. Southerners do not know snow, and it was a first to see snowplows in the ditch. I continue a variety of volunteer positions.

**Bob Dunaway, ’66.**
I have just completed a year serving as governor of the Nebraska-Iowa District of Kiwanis. Service with children as our No. 1 priority gives me more enjoyment and satisfaction than work ever did—and work was good. 403 W. Sherman, P.O. Box 369, Monroe, IA 50170. dunaway@iowatelecom.net

**Joe Elstner, ’66.**
Public information officer, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Now in 11th year of “second career” after retiring from 25-year career in PR with Bell telecom companies. Oversees St. Louis Fed’s media and community relations and economic education programs. Call, e-mail, phone or stop by if you can—always good to hear from Cyclone alums. 616 Forest Leaf Drive, Ballwin, MO 63011. joseph.cl.elstner@stls.frb.org

**Ron Schara, ’66.**
Our television endeavors continue to grow. Minnesota Bound on KARE in Minneapolis is in its 11th year and remains one of the most popular local television shows in the state. We also produce Backroads on OLN and Pheasants Forever Television on OLN. I still write an outdoor column for the StarTribune, as well. The only sad note of the past year was the passing of my television sidekick, Raven, the black Lab and the Star of the Show. She was 12. Thankfully, her daughter is the new Raven and new star, so life goes on. Stop some day for a 10-cent tour of our production facilities at Ron Schara Enterprises. ron2342@comcast.net

**Fred Anderson, ’67.**
President, A&A Communications, public relations counsel and business communication. Several of my projects have won Addys from the Quad-Cities chapter of the Advertising Federation. 2208 Lincoln Road, Bettendorf, IA 52722. fanderson@AandACommunications.com

**Rick Davis, ’67.**
Left newspaper business (Desert Sun) last fall. Now senior editor at Desert Publications, publisher of some 25 magazines and city guides. Our high-end, flagship product is Palm Springs Life magazine. Certainly not retired, but did start drawing Navy Reserve retirement, commander, 22 years longevity. 130 Mission Lake Way, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270. RDavis@PalmSpringsLife.com

**Judy (Gardner) Rutter, ’67.**
We are semiretired on the beautiful central coast of California above Santa Barbara. I am working part-time as a copy editor at the daily Tribune, a Knight-Ridder newspaper. Husband Larry is a substitute announcer for the local NPR station. Son Greg works for Saatchi & Saatchi advertising in New York. Daughter Sarah is in her final year at UCLA and hopes to work on the business side of the film industry. 815 Vista del Arroyo, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405. rutter_95685@yahoo.com

**Janice Hille, ’67.**
I’ve been on peritoneal dialysis for slightly over a year now, and I feel better than I have in years! I’m on the transplant list, but it will probably be five years before that happens. My days are filled with exercising (water aerobics, weight-resistance training), golf (I’m captain of my nine-hole group in 2006), singing with the community chorus (or taking minutes at the board meetings) or reading. And we are still traveling—in March, we went to spring training in Arizona with three other couples and alternated baseball watching with playing golf. We have two cruises planned for 2006—one along the coast from Jacksonville to Charleston, another to Europe. Life is good! 180 Ray’s Circle, Hollister, CA 95093. jhille@direcway.com

**Richard Hull, ’67.**
We enjoy continuing retirement here in Arizona, although we still own two radio stations in Kansas. We spend a great deal of the summer in a motor home traveling to see family, friends and enjoying the country. I continue to set on the board of the National Association of Farm Broadcasters Foundation and serve as a judge in the Oscars in Agriculture program. I also continue to work with several groups that are actively trying to preserve the history of the American circus. When in Arizona, please let us know. 4921 South Pecan Way, Chandler, AZ 85248. rhull10@cox.net

**John Klopf, ’67.**
President, Targeted Marketing Internet Sales Co. Still nurturing the business I founded 11 years ago. Persuaded Sherry (wife) to come on board this year as my VP. I use the communications basics I learned at ISU every day. Living the good life on the Oregon coast. Would love to hear from any former Deere & Company advertising types I worked with in years past. 91905 Ridge Road, Warrenton, OR 97146. Targtmarkt@aol.com

**Steve Mores, ’67.**
Still printing the news of greater Shelby County, Iowa. Have a plant expansion planned that will include building and four more press units. Demand for color and growth in our commercial web work helps keep the wheels turning. Trying to spend more time at our summer Okoboji cabin and visiting grandchildren in Ohio. On campus about twice a month for various university committees, athletics and visits with son Michael (ISU journalism, ’95) who’s national director of ISU Cyclone Club. 1114 Seventh St., P.O. Box 721, Harlan, IA 51537. steve@harlanonline.com

**Judy (Aves) Clements, ’68.**
Retired. 107 Inwood Drive, Aiken, SC 29803. jclements@forceable.com

**Gary Fisher, ’68.**
Still working, not retired and not yet ready to retire. I enjoy being a professor of MIS at Angelo State University and plan to keep on working through Spring 2010, but, to be perfectly honest, we’ll re-evaluate that idea following each spring semester. ASU Station No. 10891, San Angelo, TX 76909. Dr.Fisher@angelo.edu

**Wil Groves, ’68.**
(See Marjorie (Pfister) Groves, ’68.) 2995 Neely Ave. Jewell Iowa 51030. domehome@netins.net

**Jeanette (Johnson) Keogh, ’68.**
5510 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, IL 60640.

**Ann Lowry, ’68.**
In July 2005, I retired with 35 years of service to the University of Illinois Press. While I enjoyed my entire career in scholarly publishing, the last 12 years, during which I managed the Press’s Journals program, were especially interesting and challenging, thanks to the advent of electronic publishing. 1022 W. Daniel, Champaign, IL 61821.

**Marjorie (Pfister) Groves, ’68.**
A fortune teller read the remains of my Armenian coffee and announced that I’d get a phone call with good news, that I should avoid women with big ears, and that I’d hear cheering from people with their arms in the air. So far, so good: Jackson called to say he’s changed his major to journalism, I ignored Minnie Mouse, and Iowa State beat Iowa. Life is good. I went to Armenia with Heifer International, part-time as a copy editor at the daily Times of California above Santa Barbara. I am working part-time as a copy editor at the daily Tribune, a Knight-Ridder newspaper. Husband Larry is a substitute announcer for the local NPR station. Son Greg works for Saatchi & Saatchi advertising in New York. Daughter Sarah is in her final year at UCLA and hopes to work on the business side of the film industry. 815 Vista del Arroyo, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405. rutter_95685@yahoo.com
lakes. The three of us went to Costa Rica at the first of the year, then Wil and I feathered our empty nest by remodeling the basement and adding a three-season porch. (Also see Wil Groves, ’68.) 2995 Neely Ave. Jewell Iowa 50130. domehome@netins.net

Carolyn (Riley) Homan, ’68.
Still working for Marion-Polk Food Share as deputy director. Finished a successful capital campaign in April ($2.8 million). Our newly remodeled warehouse is paid off, and we’re enjoying the new accommodations. Distributing over 4.2 million pounds of food a year is a lot easier now. Enjoying being a grandmother to Jack, now 3½. Contemplating a home remodel. It may be easier to move! We travel—but not enough. Guess that leaves something to do in retirement. 610 Sunset Ave. N., Keizer, OR 97303.

cthoman@pacifier.com

Patricia Badtke, ’69.
Not many changes this year—same job (Web editor for UI Hospitals and Clinics—the site has grown from 3,000 pages to 13,000 and from serving 30 departments to more than 100 now), same house, same cats. But I did get a daughter-in-law this fall. Son Ross married, and she’s a real sweetheart—told him I’m keeping her if they break up. Ross turned 30 this year—I’m still not certain how that can mathematically/physically be possible, considering how young I am. Life is good, and what more can one ask? 1317 Parkwood Drive S.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52403. poorlock@mchsi.com

Sandy (Farrell) Stedman, ’69.
Things certainly haven’t been dull in the aviation industry. The technology explosion is alive and well here. It presents many opportunities and more than enough challenges. I’m responsible for quality, standards and industry relations for Jeppesen, a global aviation information company. This job takes me many interesting places and connects me with some fascinating people. Bob (Iowa State, ’69) is also heavily involved in aviation. As a flight instructor and provider of various pilot services, he has the opportunity to fly in the newest and most technologically advanced aircraft. Fun! We also find some time to visit new and different places, using either private aircraft or taking advantage of all the airline miles I build up from my business travels. Last year, we got together with four other couples we knew at Iowa State. All of us still had the “original” spouses, and all of the guys still had their hair. Amazing! I hope all is well with our Iowa State friends. Look us up if you’re in the Denver area. Parker, Colo. sandy.stedman@jeppesen.com

Linda (Foster) Benedict, ’69.
Associate director, ag communications, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, La. Among my many duties, I’m the editor of our quarterly magazine, Louisiana Agriculture. Our agricultural economy has been pretty well devastated by the hurricane duo, Katrina and Rita. I’m sure I’ll be telling my grandchildren stories about living through this event. So far I have two, both in Chicago with the oldest son. The youngest son is a junior at LSU majoring in business with hopes of getting into the video-game industry. Husband Forest is a VP at LSU and thinking about retirement. 1430 Applewood Road, Baton Rouge, LA 70808. lbenedict@agcenter.lsu.edu

H. Keith Henry, ’69.
Deputy, Office of Public Affairs, NASA Langley Research Center. 107 Osprey Point, Yorktown, VA 23692. h.k.henry@nasa.gov

Bill Monroe, ’69.
Executive director, Iowa Newspaper Association. 6917 NorthGlenn Way, Johnston, IA 50131.
isubill@mchsi.com

Richard Volkmer, MS ’69.
Still working at age 61. Same dear wife (Karen) who accompanied me to grad school in 1967 the month after we were married, but she managed to retire from teaching ahead of me. Our Ames days now seem so long ago, but they retain memories fresh with fond thoughts of great friends and a wonderful educational experience. Thanks to great mentors like Jim Schwartz, Rod Fox, Dick Disney, Bob Johnson, Dale Boyd and many others, I can still write well enough to make a nice living (although wondering occasionally when it will be possible to live up to those gold standards). We do more association management work these days than advertising, and generate publications for our clients. Hey, it’s a great life, and one of these days time may even permit restoring that 1929 Model “A” I used to drive to school in Ames! Drop by if your travels bring you to Chicagoland—the store is open daily. 3s530 Mignin Drive, Warrenville, IL 60555.

Adriane Leigh Charlton, ’71.
I am fortunate to be able to spend more of my time volunteering my talents than charging for them. Photography is still paramount, and learning new technologies keeps me young(ish) and engaged with life and the continual and exciting search for knowledge and new experiences. P.O. Box 429, Venice, CA 90294. leighcharlton@earthlink.net

Charles McGavren, ’71.
Notice that I have a new address this year. I just moved into a place of my own and am enjoying life with my cat and yard outside. There’s a new job at West Corporation that I’m filling, as well. Now I’m editing sales responses for the executives and establishing a new electronic library. Love to hear from everyone—stop in, call, e-mail. 14910 Seward Plaza, Omaha, NE 68154. cmcgavren@sprynet.com

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Sanford “Sandy” Yoder, ’71.
After spending my first 10 years after graduation in broadcast news, I have now passed the quarter-century mark in the corporate video-training field at John Deere. The tools and delivery systems for video have changed and evolved. Technology has greatly improved the speed, ease and quality of video productions. But the communication fundamentals I learned in Tech Journalism 101
Harlan Brown, ‘72.
In late 2004, I shifted from being an IBM employee to being a contract technical writer at IBM. In between the two jobs, I began selling GutterFilter gutter protection (www.gutterfilter.com) and have continued to do that alongside my technical writing. In 2005, I had a dentist replace all of my amalgam fillings with non-mercury-containing fillings. After years of debating with my wife about whether I should do this, I came to the decision at a Catholic healing service to which I had taken my wife to receive prayer for her chronic health problems that doctor after doctor had been unable to cure. My wife’s health had reached a point where she seldom left the house and had not been to church in three years. As soon as hands were laid on her for prayer, she felt a surge of energy. Since then, she has done things that she had not been able to do in years. We praise God.

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I’ve been covering financial planning, taxes and insurance here at The Kansas City Star for a bit more than 15 years. It’s been a much bigger gig than I expected at the start. Jan and I plan our first-ever cruise in a few months. That presumes Tropical Storm Whatever doesn’t intrude. 6105 Mission Road, Fairway, KS 66205. pfwriter2004@yahoo.com

Dennis S. Miller, ‘72.
Continue to enjoy librarianship (Abilene Public Library), golf, tennis and following Cyclone athletics. Recently became a grandfather for the first time. Kathy and I love West Texas. Wish we could get back to Iowa more often. 205 Pilgrim Road, Abilene, TX 79602. dennis.miller@abilenetx.com

Deanna Morse, ‘72.
Deanna Morse, Professor of film and video in the School of Communications, Grand Valley State University, Mich., was a judge and presented her animation work at two important international animation festivals this fall. Morse traveled to Korea and the Ukraine to judge SICAF and KROK. In November, she will lead the arts panel for the Jacob K. Javits Graduate Fellowships. Locally, theYWCA honored Morse by selecting her as an outstanding woman in the arts with its yearly Tribute Awards. Morse’s animations and art films were published in a retrospective DVD, Move Click Move. The disc was recently re-released in a second pressing. Profits from sales of the DVD have built a scholarship fund at Grand Valley State University. More information: faculty.gvsu.edu/morsed. 14008 Windemere Drive N.W., Grand Rapids, MI 49534. morsed@gvsu.edu

Harlen Persinger, ‘72.
I’m closing out my second year of freelancing for various clients after a quarter-century working in the world of agency public relations. I enjoy meeting new faces, the freedom of choosing assignments, both photography and writing, and the variety that comes with them. In August, at the Agricultural Media Summit in Milwaukee, Wis., I was thrilled to be selected as the 2005 American Agricultural Editors’ Association Photographer of the Year. It’s humbling to be recognized by your peers and know that your talent is so well-received in the industry. 207 N. 123rd St., Milwaukee, WI 53226. hiensphotos@wi.rr.com

Warren Riedesel, ‘72.
I continue as marketing communications manager in North America for the corn product line at Pioneer Hi-Bred International. Agricultural seed and crop protection are now intertwined by biotechnology in an extremely competitive, complex and high-tech business. My job is challenging, always interesting and never boring. For that, I am grateful. 2905 - 47th St., Des Moines, IA 50310. warren.riedesel@pioneer.com

Rae Jean (Willey) Leu, ‘72.
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Allison Engel, ‘73.
I made it back to Hamilton Hall this past September and was pleased by the new look of the building and the emphasis on reporting and First Amendment issues. (But I was sorry that the First Amendment sign I made and hung in the back stairway 33 years ago was no longer there.) We finished the to-the-studs renovation of our midcentury home this summer. Look for it next year in Renovation Style magazine! I’ve been traveling a lot for Meredith assignments, which are always interesting and eye-opening. Husband Scott passed his level-two PGA testing, and son Miles is playing on several golf mini-tours. Daughter Nora is a third-year acting major at UCLA and is always rehearsing or performing in something. 45850 Vista Dorado Drive, Indian Wells, CA 92210. AEngel2664@aol.com

Dale Johnson, ’73.
Work and family continue to keep me busy as time marches on. I had the good fortune to visit the People’s Republic of China this year for discussions about biotechnology. The visit came almost 15 years to the month since I first visited China, which was the year after the student unrest. Statements that China’s economy is booming are not overblown. The change in Beijing’s landscape was startling—newer buildings, more cars and buses, and cell phones being carried by nearly everyone. Coverage of a changing agriculture continues to be exciting as farmers face an increasing mountain of regulations. 2165 360th St., Earlham, IA 50072. agwrite@aol.com

Gary Barton, MS ’73.
Biotechnology guest relations (part-time), Monsanto, Chesterfield, Mo. (Also see Mary Ann (Podolski) Barton, MS ’73.) Gary continues to work part-time at Monsanto’s agricultural research laboratories, hosting visitors and VIPs, following his retirement after 30+ years in the company’s public-affairs department. Gary and Mary Ann live in a lakeside home about 60 miles west of St. Louis. Travels this past year have taken Gary and Mary Ann to northern England and the lake district, to the Florida coast and to Los Angeles. David, the youngest son, works for Federated Department Stores (Macy’s) in Los Angeles. Eldest son Eric is a lawyer, and daughter Krista works for Arby’s national marketing/promotions. Both Eric and Krista reside in Atlanta, Ga. 2208 Innsbrook Estates, Innsbrook, MO 63390. 2208barton@centurytel.net

Mary Ann (Podolski) Barton, MS ’73.
Retired high school English teacher. (Also see Gary Barton, MS ’73.) Enjoying her first full year of retirement as the former journalism and language arts department chair at Eureka High School in suburban St. Louis. Mary Ann enjoys horseback riding, travel and gardening. 2208 Innsbrook Estates, Innsbrook, MO 63390. 2208maryann@centurytel.net

Becky (Murphy) Stadlman, ’74.
We are still in Ankeny and enjoy opportunities to get on campus frequently. I am still at Sauer-Danfoss in Ames, in human resources. This year I got the opportunity to travel a lot for work, including Europe. Evan’s business venture is going well. Our children are all doing well. Marisa is studying journalism and political science at ISU, and Megan is undertaking a Bible study program this year, planning to return to UNI when she has received her certificate. Sean is still working as an engineer in the Twin Cities. Please
Chris (Peitzman) Dusenberg, '74.
I am ever grateful for Journalism 101, where we learned to type as we wrote it! Although I haven’t worked in journalism for 20 years, I use it every day in my charting as a labor and delivery nurse. On the home front, all is well. Our son, now 14, plays football, basketball and baseball, keeping us busy all year round. And our 2-year-old grandson keeps us all entertained! Luckily, our daughter and her family live 10 minutes away, so we have the pleasure of baby-sitting and watching little Jake grow! Greetings to all my old buddies, especially Mary, Pam and Karen! 2511 Kenway Drive, Des Moines, IA 50310. danandchris@earthlink.net

Terry Rich, '74.
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James Sanders, '74.
Mary and I are still in Des Moines. Our youngest daughter, Shannon, graduated from Dowling and started up at Iowa State in the fall, majoring in journalism. She loves it there and has even written a couple of articles for the Daily already. We tell her the story of how her parents met while working at the Daily and are still married 28 years later. She rolls her eyes. We have three grandchildren now, all of whom live within a mile of us, so we are all very grateful for that. Jim is still at Anmerus, and Mary works for the Iowa Legislature session and part-time at a human resources consulting firm the rest of the year. We attended the 100th anniversary luncheon at homecoming and enjoyed the program and seeing people. Tom Emmerson looked the same as 30 years ago. We should all be so lucky. (Also see Mary (McDermott) Sanders, '75.) 4222 Sheridan Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310. sandersdms@aol.com

Barbara (Warning) Harville, '74.
Director of Knowledge Management, Bingham McCutchen LLP, New York, N.Y. I spent a year in San Francisco, still employed by the law firm for which I work in Manhattan. The “left coast” was a good experience, but I’m glad to be back in the New York office. I’m living in Irvington, N.Y., along the Hudson River, about a 35-minute commute from the city. It’s been 10 years since I left Iowa, and I thoroughly enjoyed a long walk around the ISU campus this summer. 39 Westwood Circle, Irvington, NY 10533 barbharv@optonline.net

Anne (Willemsen) McKeown, '74.
I’m in my 11th year working on the campus of the Iowa School for the Deaf in Council Bluffs. I work approximately 24 hours a week during the school year—got a promotion, more pay, more hours, more responsibility and more work this year. I think that’s good!!! My favorite project is coordinating arrangements for a statewide, noncredit, sign-language class taught over the Iowa Communications Network. We have 35 sites this year and more than 200 students (mostly adults) signed up. It’s rewarding to provide support and training to so many folks—some of them families of the only deaf child in their particular community. I still love Kim, our cats, Iowa State sports, Lake Okoboji, New Mexico and HGT—more or less in that order! I value my ISU education more each year. Someone, somewhere always needs information gathered, thoughts reviewed and words persuasively woven. 133 Glen Oaks Drive, Council Bluffs, IA 51503. edenbendcb@cox.net

Lori Wulfemeyer, ’74.
Still serving as an assistant dean at Thomas Jefferson School of Law and teaching part-time at SDSU. Enjoying grandmotherhood and her new gym membership. (Also see Tim Wulfemeyer, ’74, in the Former Faculty section.)

Larry Miller, MS ’74.
Since retiring from public broadcasting last year, Karen and I find life busier than ever! We are settled in Spearfish, S.D., nestled on the northern edge of the beautiful Black Hills. Much of our time involves visiting our three grandchildren in Sturgis, S.D., and Denver, Colo., and pursuing our hobbies. Leading the list is genealogy, followed by photography, amateur radio, hiking, golf and photography. So much to do and so little time! Karen is also a substitute teacher in Belle Fourche and Spearfish, and I’ve taken on a bit of part-time promotional work at Black Hills State University. I enjoy having coffee almost every week with former ISU faculty member Bill Kunerth and other local/area media types. Karen and I are preparing for our first “partial” winter back in the heartland—before migrating to Mesa, Ariz., in January for a few months. 309 Yellowstone Place, Spearfish, SD 57783. dakotamillers@rushmore.com

Lisa (Baum-Waters) Baum, ’75.
Working with Children’s Miracle Network program at Children’s Hospital of Iowa at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics. Decided to stop the hair color. Yikes! 201 Linden Court, Iowa City, IA 52245. lisabaum1953@aol.com

Bill Collison, ’75.
No one was more surprised than I when Knight-Ridder sold the Free Press to Gannett. I had always thought of Gannett as the Evil Empire. Then I awoke one morning to discover I had been transformed into an imperial storm trooper. Next thing you know, a team from Chicago will win the World Series! Daughter Maggie is a freshman at Wisconsin, where she is on the cross-country and track teams. Son Robert is a sophomore at Grosse Pointe South, where he plays football and lacrosse and also swims. Where do my kids get such athleticism? Oh, yeah, see Cathy (Wilde) Collison, ’76. 249 Kenwood Court, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. bcollison@freepress.com

Grant Mangold, ’75.
Grant, Diane, Dan and Steve thanking the Lord for continuing to serve as associate pastor at Summit Evangelical Free Church in Alta, Iowa (www.summitftec.com). 774 South River Road, West Linn Grove, IA 50133. grant.mangold@summitftec.com

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Martha (Mueller) Greder, ’75.
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Jan (Casey) Larsen, ’76.
Enjoying two years of producing investment consumer presentations for Allstate Financial. After three years of fighting metastatic breast cancer, including five surgeries, two rounds of six-month chemotherapy treatments and now going in every three weeks for Herceptin, one of the new miracle treatments, I am truly enjoying life! Portland, Ore. Larsen723@qwest.net

Linda (Dougal) Watson, ’76.
I’m still working at the Quad-City Times as community editor. The newspaper celebrated its 150th anniversary on Oct. 15 and I helped produce two, four-section commemorative editions. It was fun to find old newspaper photos and relive the community’s newspaper history, as well as all the technological changes that have happened even in my 30-year newspaper career. Our family is doing well. I’m instilling in our first-grade daughter the importance of spelling and writing and reading. I think she’s getting it. 1406 - 12th Ave. DeWitt, IA 52742. watsons@clinton.net

Jonathan Engel, ’76.
I left Reuters news service three years ago to set up my own consultancy in information architecture. We help companies and government agencies publish and retrieve electronic
information more efficiently by devising a standard set of descriptive tags that can be applied automatically. Our Web site is www.infoark.co.uk. I live in north London with my wife, Jennifer, and our two sons, Max and Cameron. I’m always happy to grab a coffee or a beer with visiting ISU J-school grads! 109 Calabria Road, London N6 1HS, United Kingdom. jh_engel@yahoo.com

Mike Moran, ’76.

Coming up on 30th anniversary of graduating from Iowa State journalism school. I continue to work for Ford Motor Company as director of Washington Public Affairs. Hope to get back to the ISU campus again soon. 8801 Earl Court, Bethesda, MD 20817. mmoran3133@aol.com

John Stilley, ’76.

I have had to swallow some of my disdain for the University of Iowa this year, as I have been receiving great treatment there this year for a form of cancer I was diagnosed with earlier this year. They do a very good job on cancer care at the U of I, even if the rest of the place is questionable. God has also been good at caring for me, with the doctors, as this battle has unfolded. 1412 N. Eighth Ave. E., Newton, IA 50208. yeilits03@iowatelecom.net

Elaine (Dykshoorn) and Chris Allen sport Their Omaha Press Club Show opening costumes. The 2006 show is March 10-11.

Elaine (Dykshoorn) Allen, ’76.

As grad TAs from 1984-86, we were grateful for the mentoring we received from the faculty who we worked with as TAs: Tom Beell, Ed Blinn and Christine Friesleben. Our theses advisers, Eric Abbott (Chris’) and Karl Friederich (Elaine’s), provided rigorous direction during our research and writing. But the best advice we received on writing our theses came from Jerry Nelson: “Do something (on it) everyday.” God rest his soul! (Also see Chris Allen, ’79.) 5809 S 107th St., Omaha, NE 68127. allen233@cox.net

Terri (Marshburn) Garrett, ’76.

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Catherine (Wildie) Collison, ’76.

Life is busy this year, and one with changes. Gannett bought the Free Press, where Bill and I work; we packed a daughter off to U-Wisconsin (sorry, not ISU, but she almost chose Iowa!) and have another son, Robert, ready to try for the driver’s license soon. My highlight was getting a picture book, *G is For Galaxy* (Sleeping Bear Press), published with a friend and colleague. Check it out! It’s fun to have something in hardcover! We still follow the Cyclones when we’re not following the Badgers. (Also see Bill Collison, ’75.) 249 Kenwood Court, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236. ccollison@freepress.com

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Ron Deaton, ’77.

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Thomas Downard, ’77.

I am starting my seventh year teaching at Northeastern University in the Department of Communication Studies. I have been spending a lot of time teaching organizational communication and working on a paper about organizational identity concerning a NU advertising and marketing campaign to make over the university into a premier research university in an urban setting. Kim is busy working at Trinity Church in Copley Square, and Lydia is a seventh-grader who still plays her violin in a local orchestra. All my best to my Iowa State friends. 42 E. Springfield St., Apt A, Boston, MA 02118. tfdownard@msn.com

Debra (Grundman) Blume, ’77.

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Mary Gunderson, ’77.

*History Cooks* and Paleocuisineology continue to make my life interesting. On to new culinary history titles. Travels for work and for pleasure have taken me to, among others, Montana, St. Louis and Madeline Island. On a JIMC note: I was present in the late ’70s when Donald Jackson, the distinguished Lewis & Clark scholar and JIMC graduate, received the first Schwartz award for outstanding alumni. I understand so much better now what he accomplished. It’s an honor and delight to me to have graduated from the department where he studied. JIMC’s high standards and practical application have served me well. P.O. Box 709, Yankton, SD 57078. maryg@historycooks.com

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John “J.C.” Kain, ’77.

Still a technology specialist for the Phoenix Elementary School District. Still married to a goddess. Still have two kids. Still feel like I’m 21 (although I go to bed earlier). 4121 E. Windsor, Phoenix, AZ 85008. algona81@yahoo.com

Karen (Lage) Potratz, ’77.

After five-plus years at Morgan&Myers, I’m continuing to take on new challenges. This year, I added Global Animal Management Inc. to my client responsibilities. GAM provides data-management systems for animal identification and verification—hot topics these days as plans progress toward a mandatory national animal identification system by 2009. Morgan&Myers consolidated its Wisconsin operations this year, moving the Milwaukee and Jefferson offices to a new location in Waukesha. On the home front, oldest son John is enrolled the School of Journalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is campus editor for the *Badger Herald*, one of two daily student newspapers there. Brother Danny is a high school freshman—too soon to tell if he will follow in journalistic footsteps, as well. Morgan&Myers, N16 W23233 Stone Ridge Drive, Suite 200, Waukesha, WI 53188. kpotratz@morgannyers.com

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Terese “Tia” (Slater) Watson, ’77.

Starting my seventh year in corporate communications at John Deere and still enjoying every minute of it. As senior writer, my duties include a bit of everything but focus primarily on executive speechwriting and communications, as well as video production and the annual report. A highlight of the past year was writing a speech for the chairman that was delivered to ISU’s
College of Engineering. It was with great pride that I accompanied him to Ames, showing off the school and reminding him that Iowa State has provided more employees to John Deere than any other university worldwide! Husband Jim (JIMC, ’73) continues his 30+ year advertising career as president of Hanson Watson Associates. Kids are a high school sophomore, Katie, and a seventh-grader, Alex, and are growing up way too fast. Neither one appears to have inherited either parent's love of writing, but at least we have a sort of tacit understanding that they'll be pursuing their higher education at ISU in some other field. John Deere, One John Deere Place, Moline, IL 61265. watsonterese@johndeere.com

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Joseph Degnan, ’78.
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Steve (Exley) ExleySchuman, ’78.
I'm living the quiet life in Mount Vernon, working at the State Public Defender office in Iowa City. I've got a great partner, Rhonda, and two boys, Isaiah, age 8, and Noah, age 5. We have two foster children, both in diapers. We could use your prayers! I almost kicked out of Kinnick Stadium for yelling for the Cyclones in ’04. But life has been good since then! 401 Second St. S.E., Mount Vernon, IA 52314. s泄leySchuman@aol.com

Martha Helgerson, ’78.
I'm still on the freelance writing/copy editing track, and am still involved with co-creating literacy-level books for the Osu Children's Library Fund in Ghana. Here at home, I continue with part-time teaching of English as a second (and often third or fourth) language to immigrants. On the family front, my husband, Donald Houston, keeps busy in his work as a hematologist and researcher, while our two teenage daughters, Anna and Mary, keep us young at heart. 203 Montrose St., Winnipeg, Manitoba R3M 3L9, Canada. mahelgerson@shaw.ca

Lori (Hoberg) Adams, ’78.
I received a second Golden Dome Leader of the Year award from Gov. Tom Vilsack in June for my role in developing Iowa Workforce Development’s Frequently Asked Questions database. That database is now the agency’s most popular site, generating more hits than the agency’s home page. I was also part of a team recently honored by Governor Vilsack for innovation in state government. The IWD Zoom Team identified process improvements to reduce the amount of time customers need to register for services.

Thomas Howard, ’78.
Although I did not officially attend the Greenlee School, I graduated from the Telecommunicative Arts Department of Speech in 1978 and have worked in broadcast journalism for the past 23 years. I did take several courses at the Greenlee School, including writing, advertising and photography (which was a remarkable course that has helped me throughout my career). I am currently director of ESPN's hit program “Pardon The Interruption” originating from Washington, D.C. 5101 Woodside Road, Baltimore, MD 21229. tom@tkhoward.com

Klark Jessen, ’78.
Public information officer, Des Moines Public Schools, since 2000. I have an up-close-and-personal view of journalists’ efforts to tell the story of urban public education clearly and fairly. 1801 – 16th St., Des Moines, IA 50314. klark.jessen@dmps.k12.iu.us

Murray Lee, ’78.
Alive and well in the Mountain Empire—Johnson City, Tenn. 202 East Ninth Ave., Johnson City, TN 37601. murrayalee@charter.net

Susan (Stephan) Holloway, ’78.
I am happy to hear all the good news from Iowa State and particularly pleased that Wayne Davis won the 2005 Schwartz Award! Not much new to report from Muncie, but here’s a quick update: I still love working in marketing and communications at Ball State, and Dave continues to enjoy his Purdue Extension work. Kate, a junior at DePauw, is having a grand time completing a semester internship with USA Today and living just outside DC. Curt is checking out college options for next year, while Dave and I contemplate two kids in college and just the two of us at home! 225 N. Alden Road, Muncie, IN 47304. sdholloway@comcast.net

Dirk van der Linden, ’78.
Our oldest has left for college. How those 18 years seemed to fly by! Katie is cardinal and gold, but at Simpson College, not Iowa State. She has adjusted to college well and isn't really interested in coming home. Hooray! We do, however, have to carefully watch our 1,000 minutes on the family cell-phone plan. Grant, 11, has adjusted to life without big sister, although he missed her at first. Dirk and Lee stay very busy running the Belmond Independent and being active in the community. (Also see Lee (Horn) van der Linden, ’80.) 119 Fairway Drive, Belmond IA 50421.

Tom Wilson, ’78.
VP - Client Services, Russell & Herder, Minneapolis. Hired to revamp account-management department and lead business development for the agency. Into my second year and enjoying the opportunities for growth while working through the challenges of change. On the home front, Susan (Stoner) Wilson (business, ’78) and I saw our first son, David, go off to college this fall (Denver University)—ISU was too big. Second son is a high school junior and just returned from an Iowa State campus visit. Kevin had a very positive trip—we’ll see if there is another Cyclone in the Wilson family! Susan continues her extensive volunteering but vows “this year is (her) last.” We’ll see. We love the Twin Cities—27 years and counting. Hope all my JIMC friends from the late ’70s are doing well. I have many fond memories from Iowa State years. My best to all. 4519 Casco Ave., Edina, MN 55424. tom.wilson@russellherder.com

Chris Allen, ’79.
I returned from London on May 25 with my International Communication students, about a month and a half before terrorists set off bombs on a bus and three Underground lines. The bus exploded a block from the hotel where we stayed, and the Russell Square tube stop station that was involved in one explosion is the “home” station, all of which made the attacks on London very personal. When I wrote to the people I know in London, I was relieved to learn that none of the people we visit there or their colleagues was hurt in the attacks. However, the bombing didn’t hurt recruiting for our seventh annual trip in 2006. The 15 slots filled in just three and a half days, and five students are on the waiting list. Elaine and I both performed in the Omaha Press Club Show last March. Son Joe worked on the show’s tech crew and has been in two plays at Millard South since then. Sarah is in her second and final year in the Teach for America program, teaching first through sixth-grade art in Helena, Ark. Elaine is an IT contractor, working at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska. I’m in my 10th year at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. This year, the School of Communication joined with the four former departments that made up the Fine Arts College and UNO Radio and TV to form a new College of Communication, Fine Arts and Media. Although it sounds strange to say in public higher education today, the future is looking bright. I still have the best job in the world. (Also see Elaine (Dykshoorn) Allen, ’76.) 5809 S. 107th St., Omaha, NE 68127. callen@mail.unomaha.edu
James Blume, ’79.
Deb and I have lived in the Des Moines area for nearly 25 years now. Deb is at home and has developed a passion for genealogy research. I marked my 20th year at Meredith Corp. in 2005. I’ve spent most of that time in the Book Publishing division and currently serve as publisher and editor-in-chief of books. Our son, David, is a sophomore at Grinnell College. Daughter, Sarah, is a high school junior. 9300 Carmel Drive, Johnston, IA 50131. Jim.Blume@Meredith.com

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Donna Christensen-Mores, ’79.
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David Dawson, ’79.
Hard to believe another year has gone by. Our youngest son, Eric, is in high school. Our daughter, Christina, and her husband gave us another grandson. Linda is still communications director for the Illinois Association of School Boards, and I’m still the managing editor of the Herald & Review in Decatur, Ill. I’m proud to report that for the third year in a row, the Associated Press has awarded us the General Excellence award in our class. Newspapering is still fun, and life is good. 305 S. Westdale Ave., Decatur, IL 62522. ddawson721@insightbb.com

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Dave Johnston, ’79.
We’ve been back in Atlanta for four years, and so much has changed! I’m now a full-time freelance HR writer/consultant. After 20 years of employee communication consulting for Towers Perrin, Watson Wyatt and Aon Consulting, I went on my own a year ago—and I haven’t looked back. My first year was very successful, and now I’m doing only what I love, with no commuting! From 1999-2001 I headed Watson Wyatt’s communication practice in Europe, serving clients in Britain, Belgium, Switzerland, Spain and Sweden. Sue and the girls and I lived in Reigate, Surrey, just outside of London, and we had the time of our lives touring the UK and the continent. I miss the British lifestyle (especially Guinness for lunch!), but I stay in touch with the “old neighbourhood” listening to the BBC online. Sue finished her BA in communication in 1999, and she helps me with projects from time to time. Son Brian graduated from the U of Georgia’s PR department that same year, and he’s now working on the Honda account with a local PR firm. Annie is 15, Hope is 14. Brian and daughter-in-law Holly’s son, Christopher, will soon be 2 and joined by our second grandchild in spring. 5435 Hedgewick Way, Cumming, GA 30040. dave@johnstonhr.com

Susan (Suter) Mortensen, ’79.
Personally and professionally, we have had a smooth year. The most stressful time for Ron and I was the summer (as usual), due to the weather and volatile grain markets. I always say I’m the only person who works harder in the summer than the winter! Our daughter Karen is a senior in high school. She and I spent some quality time this past summer college shopping. We will see where she ends up! She co-edits the school newspaper, so she is more involved with journalism than I. Fortunately, our common ground is working on the Mortensens! 1937 15th Ave. N., Fort Dodge, IA 50501. advantage@advantageag.com

Michael Swan, ’79, MS ’98.
Lead instructor, mass communications, Butler Community College, El Dorado, Kan. I received an MS from ISU in journalism in 1998, thanks in large part to the efforts of Dr. Tom Emmerson. Son William is in middle school now (sixth grade) and enjoying playing the cello and basketball. Daughter Katy (third grade) loves school and being a tomboy. Wife Linda (church youth director) and I now supervise a household with two kids, a dog and a cat. It’s great. I just finished two years as president of the local Lions Club and am now secretary. I teach half a dozen classes and continue to supervise our sports media program and magazine. After coaching my son in basketball, now I will be trying that role for my daughter’s team. I have a lot to learn. I get up to Ames several times a year to visit friends and family, including my 98-year-old grandmother, Go ‘Crones! 1403 Park Ave., El Dorado, KS 67042. misclone@hotmail.com

Debra (Bell) Geiser, ’80.
Dan is managing editor of the Cedar Rapids Gazette; I continue to use my journalism skills in my church and school volunteer gigs. Our son, Tristan, is in fifth grade and keeps us busy. My youngest sister held an “event wedding” in the French Quarter of New Orleans in April 2005, so we watched the media coverage of the Hurricane Katrina flooding with a personal interest. Our families are well; life is good. (Also see Dan W. Geiser, ’81.) 108 Brentwood Drive N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. dgeiser@infonline.net

Deirdre (Cox) Baker, ’80.
Hello, old friends and those from the Iowa State Daily: I love my reporting job; it’s just like I used to do at the Daily. I recently got the task of covering “major” religion stories for the Times. This is in addition to covering Scott County government. Since I knew little about religion in general (and we now have five major religions in the Quad-Cities), I decided to seek a college scholarship through the Religion Newswriters Association and the Lilly Foundation. I was fortunate to win one, and I’m now almost finished with a class at Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill. It’s an introduction to religion course, and I’m the oldest among the 24 students. (This comes up at times when I’m trying to contribute to a class discussion and I suddenly realize the others weren’t even born in the time I’m discussing.) It’s a fun challenge both at Augie and around our house. Now 15-year-old Kirstin does her homework on our single home computer. She’s a sophomore at North Scott High School. I do mine on it, too, and we share all right except when one has to use the Internet and the other has to get off the phone. Steve, still production manager for the Times’ commercial printing division, stays out of the fray. I haven’t been to a college class in 25 years, but it hasn’t changed too much. At Augustana, we get to park very close to the classroom building, and that is the single biggest difference from Iowa State. Also, “ISU” generally indicates Illinois State University, and the “U of I” is in Champaign, not Iowa City. Thanks for keeping up the nice tradition of the alumni Newsletter. I was also sorry to have missed the 100th anniversary event, but I sure did enjoy returning to campus on Sept. 10, when my Cyclones won the big game. Go State! And, by this, I mean the university in Ames. Quad-City Times, 500 E. Third St., Davenport, IA 52801. dbaker@qctimes.com
David Donovan, ’80.
After 20 years with a law firm that had grown to about 1,100 lawyers, I left in October to become the general counsel of the Washington Redskins NFL franchise. The job is quite different from anything I’ve done before and, so far, very exciting and fun. Plus, I get to go to all the games. Life at home is pretty much the same, except that the kids continue to get older. Rose and I have three (Ben, 17, Brigid 14, and Reilly, 12). Took the tribe to Germany and Austria and visited some of the places that I went to with the European Study Tour in 1980. (I have photos from the ’80 trip if alumni contact me.) 1508 Hardwood Lane, McLean, VA 22101. donovand@redskins.com

Carolyn (Glade) Dvorak, ’80.
Our oldest son, Jake, is attending Iowa State this fall as a freshman in construction engineering. We’re very proud and happy to have him at ISU! Our middle son, Chris, is a junior in high school, and our youngest, Joe, is in eighth grade. I continue to do freelance writing. I’m also in my 15th year doing statistical work for Drovers, a cattlemen’s magazine that is part of Vance Publishing. My newest venture is the creation of an inspirational card and print line using my nature photos and Bible verses. I’ve done special orders for Camp Okoboji in Milford, Iowa, as well as personal orders. Right now I’m working on Christmas cards for two art-and-craft shows. I hope to expand my market over the next year and develop a Web site. 31975 W. 91st St., De Soto, KS 66018. c_dvorak@earthlink.net

Lee (Horn) van der Linden, ’80.
(See Dirk van der Linden, ’78.) 119 Fairway Drive, Belmond, IA 50421.

Brent Jensen, ’80.
Julie and I purchased K-Video Productions last December. After 25 years of being employees/contractors, we are now employers running a business that specializes in legal video production and post-production. So far, business is great, ensuring our stay in Arizona will be a long one! 1046N. 98th St., Scottsdale, AZ 85258. brentjensen@cox.net

Alan Mores, ’80.
Co-publisher, Harlan Newspapers; Greenlee School Advisory Board; Iowa Association of Business & Industry Executive Board. 1401 Pine St., P.O. Box 208, Harlan, IA 51537.

Diane (Roberts) DeLong, ’80.
January 2006 marks my nine-year anniversary as program director for The Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Program. Last year, we were one of 31 sites in the nation to receive a CBAE federal grant. Our staff now totals nine, and we have written and produced two new publications this year. We served over 10,000 youth in a variety of programs during the past year. It’s challenging and rewarding work that my journalism degree prepared me to do! My husband, Bob, is director of strategic engineering for Wulfsberg Electronics. Daughter Brynn, 20, is a student at the University of Arizona. Our son, Nick, is 16 and daughter Haley, 13. I would love to hear from old ISU friends, and be sure to look us up if you’re ever in Prescott. 1053 Hyland Circle, Prescott, AZ 86303. dianedelong@msn.com

Perry Beeman, ’81.
Still covering the environment for The Des Moines Register. Serving as president of the professional group Society of Environmental Journalists. Incredible year of reunions with ISU friends featured a chance meeting with Sara Wyant at the Iowa State Fair and a meticulously planned SPJ reunion featuring Rod Surber, Pam (Weiland) Schumacher, Sue Caslin, Jane Curtis, Dennis Hart and Tom O’Donnell, among others. This team won the first of four straight national chapter of the year awards way back when. 309 24th St., West Des Moines, IA 50265. pbeeman1@aol.com

Steve Dropkin, ’81.
I cannot believe another year has gone by! No big changes around here. Visited campus in October as part of a driving vacation in Missouri. Hamilton has changed tremendously—for the better, as far as I can see. I found the room in which I took JlMC 101 with Jack Shelley and a brand-new Steve Coon and realized that both the journalism program and I had come long ways from where we were. Have a great year, folks! 489 Michigan St., Saint Paul, MN 55102. steve@dropkin.net

Dan W. Geiser, ’81.
Managing editor, Cedar Rapids Gazette. (Also see Debra (Bell) Geiser, ’80.) 108 Brentwood Drive N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. dan.geiser@gazett ecommunications.com

Bruce Hallman, ’81.
Thanks for keeping us all in contact through this Newsletter. I have just moved to Michigan (my wife’s home state) after eight years in Vero Beach, Fla. I am now executive director of the National Business Success Network, headquartered in Ann Arbor (www.nationalbusinesssuccess network.com). NBSN is a lobbying, coaching and mentoring organization for independent businesses from across the country. It definitely uses my journalism background with speaking, writing and press releases! I would love to hear from other JIMC alums in Michigan! I do travel extensively, as well. 3245 Reamer Road, Lapeer, MI 48446. gohawk@charter.net

Paul Hamilton, ’81.
I have been working at WGR Sports Radio 550 in Buffalo since 1995. I cover the Buffalo Bills and Sabres at home and on the road. I am also the hockey play-by-play voice for Niagara University. I have done that for three years after doing radio play-by-play for the AHL Rochester Americans for 14 years. I do a Monday morning football show with Chuck Dickerson, Bills former assistant coach during the Super Bowl years. I also have done a hockey show with former Sabres and now Ottawa GM John Muckler. I’ve been fortunate to cover two Super Bowls, one World Series, one Stanley Cup Final and one Summer Olympics. With all the traveling I do, it’s great to see ISU alums all over the country. I played hockey at ISU, and our team still gets together every two years at somebody’s home. We’ve been to Ames; Chicago; Buffalo; Kansas City; Dallas; Minneapolis; Lutsen, Minn.; and Harrisburg, Pa. 40 Robert Drive, Lancaster, NY 14086. pham22758@adelphia.net

Pamela (Weiland) Schumacher, ’81.
The officers of my SPJ/SDX student chapter were gripped with reunion fever this year. It was 25 years ago in Columbus, Ohio, that we won best chapter of the year. SPJ officers Rod Surber, Perry Beeman, Sue Caslin and I decided it was time to recreate the magic. We rendezvoused on Columbus Day Weekend (how poetic) in Ames. Former professor, mentor and all-around comedian Dennis Hart flew in from California to join in the fun. We toured the campus and relived old times. Professor Eric Abbott gave us a great tour of remodeled Hamilton Hall. (Where are the typewriters and the dark room?) Then Tom and Linda Emmerson had us over for a get-together that included Tom Beell, Jack Shelley, other current professors, alum Tom O’Donnell, families and friends. We loved seeing everyone! We had such a good time, we’re doing it again next year,
and if there are others that want to join in, they're welcome to attend. My advice is, if you have a chance to reconnect with your college friends, just do it! 785 Prairie Ave., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137. pschumacher@jcaho.org

Susan L. Booker, '82.
In my third year of the tenure-track dance at a small, regional university in Virginia. Glad to be home in Virginia but miss Iowa’s prairie and people. 201 High St., Longwood University, Farmville, VA 23909. bookersl@longwood.edu

Kenneth Clayton, '82.
Just another year in paradise, organizing trade shows in the aerospace industry. I was able to work in Dallas, Paris and Dubai this year. And I still enjoy being a Cyclone in the middle of Hawkeye country! 6000 Wayside Circle, Cedar Rapids, IA 52411. clonedogg2@mchsi.com

Al Henkel, '82.
I am now in my 16th year at NBC News. This year has been a challenging year; of the eight hurricanes that hit the U.S., I covered seven of them. Most of the summer and fall was spent in New Orleans or on the Gulf Coast. The extent of damage and suffering defies belief. Imagine a typical Midwest tornado, a debris field maybe a ¼-mile wide. Now put that debris field beginning at the Alabama/Mississippi border and going all the way to Texas. It’s mind-boggling. We slept in our cars for five weeks at the beginning of Katrina and into Rita, and we ate a lot of canned chili, tuna and MREs. The guys who were in Iraq and Afghanistan say there are lots of similarities. The family continues to be supportive; the three boys are now old enough to really understand why Dad has to be gone for months at a time. Though I must say, the teenage years are tough for kids, Dad has to be away for months at a time. Though I must say, the teenage years are tough for kids, and really tough on parents. I have discovered you can’t do this job without an understanding, supportive spouse. (Also see Beth (Swanson) Henkel, ’84.) 2319 Table Rock Court, Arlington, TX 76006. al.henkel@nbc.com

Karla (Johnson) Host, ’82.
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Thomas O’Donnell, ’82.
No hot news here. I’m still freelancing for Meredith and the Plant Sciences Institute, as well as taking on a couple other projects, but I’m considering reentry to the real world. I had a great time a couple weeks ago seeing old classmates Susan Caslin, Pam Schumacher and Rod Surber, along with Dennis Hart, Tom Emmerson and close-to-home alums Perry Beeman and Jane Curtis. 6407 Roseland Drive, Urbandale, IA 50322.

Les and Julie (Odgaard) Todd are teaching their children, Matt and Allison, where their loyalties should lie.

Julie (Odgaard) Todd, ’82.
Going back to Iowa State to take your high school senior daughter to an ISU legacy campus visit—priceless! Watching her fall in love with the place—amazing! Cost of tuition, etc. at our alma mater 20-some years later—sticker shock! Yes, we will probably have an ISU freshman come fall 2006! Allison is really enjoying her senior year, and our son Matt is on every athletic team the eighth grade offers. Les is still in banking, and God has blessed me with a wonderful job at Summit Church in Altia. Much of my work involves digital photography, desktop publishing, Web site maintenance, PowerPoint, etc. Check us out at www.summitefc.com! Take care, and God bless! 5297 V Ave., Aurelia, IA 51005. ljoddi@ncn.net

Jennifer Speer Ramundt, ’82.
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Philip Blobaum, ’83.
Hello, everyone! Work continues for me at Iowa Public Television as a videographer, and I recently achieved 15 years employment. Our family is doing very well. Emily, 8, is involved with Girl Scouts; Jacob, 6, is starting out with Campfire Kids. Lee, 4, enjoys preschool a couple days a week, and Anna, 2, enjoys being queen of the universe. My wife, Cindy, published another book this year. It’s called Insectigations, which is a kids-exploring-science-type book. I hope everyone has had a good year and will have a good next year, too. 1210 - 37th St., Des Moines, IA 50311. phil@iptv.org

Harold Coleman, ’83.
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David (Ewoldsen) Roskos-Ewoldsen, ’83.
Jennings Bay and I are stepping down as co-editors of the journal Media Psychology. Jennings and I founded the journal, which is published by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates, in 1999. This last year, the Social Science Citation Index listed Media Psychology as the second-most-impactful communication journal (behind only Human Communication Research and ahead of such journals as the Journal of Communication, Communication Monographs, Communication Research, Journal of Broadcasting and Electronic Media). In addition, I have been asked by Lawrence Erlbaum Associates to start a new methods journal for communication (tentative title: Journal of Communication Methods and Measures). Finally, I chair the Information Systems division of the International Communication Association. Department of Psychology, P.O. Box 870348, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 35487. droskos@bama.ua.edu

Jeff Grant, ’83.
I just completed my 17th year at The N’West Iowa Review, where I serve as editor. My wife, Jodi, an English and speech teacher at Sheldon High School, and I have two children, Addison, 9, and Brailey, 6. 621 - 25th Ave., Sheldon, IA 51201.

Kurt Helland, ’83.
I hit 20 years at The Des Moines Register this year. Maybe 20 more ahead? 2907 Center St., Des Moines, IA 50312. hellandk@earthlink.net

Jeffrey Hunt, ’83.
Partner, Parr Waddoups Brown Gee & Loveless, Salt Lake City, Utah. Still practicing law and raising kids. Madison, 15, is a high school freshman; Christopher, 13, is in middle school; and Tessa, 6, is a kindergartner. Wife, Cindy, ran her first marathon. I brew beer and fly-fish. Hello to all Daily alums circa 1979-84 and Q-C Times alums and staffers circa 1984-86. Please call if you’re visiting or passing through. 787 - 17th Ave., Salt Lake City, UT 84103. jeffreyhunt@comcast.net

Nancy Hytone Leb, ’83.
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Suzanne (Schwab) Hill, ’83.
I had been teaching journalism and serving as newspaper adviser at East Central College in Union, Mo. My husband and I are in the process of moving to Kansas City. 8025 N. Lydia Ave., Kansas City, MO 64118. hillsuzanne@hotmail.com

Janine (Stewart) Whippes, ’83.
Our big news is that we now have a daughter, Valerie, who is a student at ISU! How exciting. I
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Kathy Wilsecarver, ’83.
For over five years, my boutique firm has served clients in the hospitality, retail and real-estate industries. The freedom of being an entrepreneur also allows me the opportunity to accept freelance travel writing and photography assignments.

Russell Ebert, ’84.
Finally broke down and got a computer at home. I love my G-5! This September marked my 19th year at the Van Buren County Register. 1505 Eighth St., Keosauqua, IA 52565.

Dan Edmonds, ’84.
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Lisa Fung, ’84.
Arts editor, Los Angeles Times, 202 West First St., Los Angeles, CA 90012. Lisa.fung@latimes.com

Bret Gilliland, ’84.
Recently promoted to deputy commissioner at the Mountain West Conference. Now in seventh year with the league and 22nd year in intercollegiate athletics administration. Wife Leah (ISU elementary education ’88) and kids—Morgan, 11, Macy, 8, and Brock, 4, all doing well. 8975 Melbourne Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80920.

Patty Lendt, ’84.
Tied the knot in June—new name is Davis. Combining households at 40-something is consuming our time. In 18th year at Principal Financial Group enlightening our sales force via Web and print. Fitting in a little freelance, as well. 2960 S.E. 68th St., Des Moines, IA 50324.

Beth (Swanson) Henkel, ’84.
Following many years of print freelancing, adjunct teaching and corralling three boys, I returned to teaching and corralling three boys, I returned to

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the rank of producer. I produced a one-hour show about the new international terminal at D/FW airport that aired on the NBC affiliate in the Dallas area in July. It was an ambitious project, mainly because the building was under construction, so it was a challenge to visualize for the viewer. Apparently we reached our goal—the show aired in prime time, and the station was happy. Right now, I am “between projects,” providing transportation for our boys (Alex and Daniel, 14, Steven, 8) to every activity imaginable and holding down the fort while Dad (see Al Henkel, ’82) chases down hurricanes. 2319 Table Rock Court, Arlington, TX 76006.

James Wyckoff, ’84.
Greetings again to ISU JIMC alumns. Here’s the latest news on the Wyckoff professional front: In October, I celebrated five years of running my own publishing business from home. I am proud of that accomplishment and give much credit to my education at ISU. I continue to publish a daily analytical report on financial and commodity markets, which is distributed worldwide. The year 2005 will see my best year yet in business growth. OK, enough of the formal fluff and on to the personal stuff. My wife, Laurie, is still teaching first grade in Cedar Falls—In her 17th year! Daughter Katie graduated from the University of Colorado in late 2004 and is now contemplating attending law school. Son Joe is attending the University of Iowa, and his major is undecided. For fun, Laurie and I are still very happy being empty-nesters. We spend most summer weekends boating, with the favorite spot Lake Okoboji. We also took our motorcycle to the Sturgis, S.D., rally in August. Until next year. 3221 Cobblestone Court, Cedar Falls, IA 50613.

Kim (Groe) Emery, ’85.
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Brian Paulson, ’85.
Elected to board of directors of the National Association for County Community and Economic Development at its annual conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Sept. 20. 7836 Desert Bell Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89128.

Valerie (Terpstra) Van Kooten, ’85.
Time continues to march on for the Van Kootens. Kent and I are happy and healthy and celebrating new stages in our lives with three teenage sons. I continue to write freelance for about 10 publications and companies, including Boys’ Life, Christianity Today and Lowe’s Home Improvement Store’s Web sites. I’m also in my 20th year of teaching technical writing at Central College. Lecturing and church work take up the rest of our time. Kent continues in technical ag service at Vermeer Manufacturing. Our oldest, Colin, started off to community college this fall with an eye to transferring to Central next year to major in physical therapy. Son Cameron started high school, and Ethan is in seventh grade. Hello to all my SDX and Daily friends. Thanks to Tom Emmerson for keeping us in contact from time to time! If you’re headed to Tulip Time, give us a call! 2051 Old Highway 163, Pella, IA 50219.

Angela (Banowetz) Ossian, ’87.
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Reid Hamre, ’87.
Communications manager, AGCO Corp., 4205 River Green Parkway, Duluth, GA 30096. reid.hamre@agcocorp.com

David Houvenagle, ’87.
I work as a social worker at Our Lady of Peace Hospital—the largest nonprofit psychiatric hospital in the nation. I have a lovely wife and two precious kids. I am in the dissertation stage in Urban and Public Affairs at the University of Louisville. I am hoping to get my Ph.D. by December 2006. My tentative topic is Urban Health Politics and the Logan and Molotch Growth Machine thesis. In light of my doctoral studies of the past four years, I have really appreciated my hometown of Des Moines for all of its quirks, including that the inner city is still labeled the “Model Cities area.” Why is this? The “Model Cities” program was one of LBJ’s “Great Society” urban renewal programs that died with the Nixon Administration. This could be a story idea for any of you working in the Des Moines media or any of you JIMC 201 students reading this who are desperate for a story idea for the next class. If you do the story, let me know what you find. 3103 Commander Drive, Louisville, KY 40220. houvenagle@aol.com

Jeff Lacina, ’87.
Advertising copywriter, John Deere Ag Marketing Center, Lenexa, Kan. John Deere is one of the few ag companies that have a full-service, in-house advertising agency. Paired with a designer, the writer/designer team essentially provides all creative services to our assigned John Deere “factories.” I work on all Seeding Products (Moline, Ill.) and all Ag Management Solutions products (the precision farming group located in Urbandale, Iowa). Print ads, TV and radio spots, video scripts and production, Web copy, “special projects” and, of course, brochures and product information—never a dull moment! In my free time (?) I write a monthly column for a top “automotive enthusiast” magazine and serve as “Lead Driving Instructor” for SVTOA On Track Performance Driving Clinics across the U.S. and Canada. Living and working in the Kansas City area was an easy adjustment for the Lacina family—wife Lori and children Grant, Ivory and Max have all adapted well—now all we need is more Cyclone sports coverage in a Missouri/Columbia, and in November moved to Kansas for a new Army assignment. Son Alex, 18, graduated from high school this year; Adam, 15, is a sophomore, and my little guy, Elliot, began first grade. Funny, I don’t feel that old! 126 E. 14th Ave. Hutchinson, KS 67501. writerguy10@yahoo.com

Joel Dickman, ’88.
I’m into my fifth year as news director at KFSN, the ABC-owned station in Fresno. I inherited a great newsroom that has since won the past three regional Emmys for Best Newscast. My wife continues her work as a veterinarian, and the kids are now in school “full-time”, first and second grades. Life is good in Cali, and we welcome anyone passing through to stop and say hello! 593 Fallbrook Ave., Clovis, CA 93611. joel.davis@abc.com

Sylvia Hauser, ’88.
In my last Newsletter submission, I was about to embark on a five-week ramble around the South. I’d planned on finding a bounty of great food and music, which I did. What I did not plan on was being swept off my feet by a dashing young Army Ranger in a Memphis blues club. A month later we were engaged, and two months later he deployed to Iraq. So now I’m in a small town in southeast Georgia, making a home for his return. This all sounds as probable as my beloved White Sox winning the World Series, doesn’t it? Oh, wait a minute. 1905 Blueloop Lane, Hinesville, GA 31313. sylvia_hauser@yahoo.com

Chizuko (Marugame) Shastri, ’88.
This semester, I started teaching Japanese culture and Japanese grammar at Minnesota State University Moorhead. I am enjoying it very much. 1319 16th Ave. S., Moorhead, MN 56560. schizuko@yahoo.com

Sean McLaughlin, ’88.
A never-ending hurricane season matches the constant changes here in network TV. Travel for different sports/news events for MSNBC/Today Show keeps it interesting and fun, but miss the sunsets of Arizona. Between Katrina and Rita, baby Jack came along, joining sister Mia. Wife Emily is the only star in this clan. Cyclones are always welcome on the Plaza Sunday mornings—cheers! One MSNBC Plaza, Secaucus, NJ 07094. sean.mclaughlin@msnbc.com

Malinda (Miller) Geisler, ’88.
Geisler Farms launched Growing Family Fun in 2005. The agritourism business featured an 8-acre corn maze, soybean mini-maze and pumpkin patch. Groups reserved one of these fire pits and received complimentary hayrack rides. www.growingfamilyfun.com. 5251 NE 94th Ave., Bondurant, IA 50035. malinda.geisler@att.net

John Naughton, ’88.
I’m continuing my journalistic journey in the lovely Land of Gannett, The Des Moines Register. I’ve been here nearly 18 years now and enjoy covering sports throughout Iowa. A few statewide awards came my way in the last year, including an Associated Press Managing Editors award for top spot news (concerning Ankeroye closing the door on the final state girls’ basketball tournament at Veterans Memorial Auditorium). Lots of changes in Des Moines. The new Wells Fargo Arena has brought professional hockey and big-name concerts to the area. On that note, am I a rare 40-something out here who remembers when Green Day was actually a punk band? 2923 Country Side Drive, West Des Moines, IA 50265. jnaughton@dmreg.com

Craig Olson, ’88.
I have been recently promoted to regional sales manager covering all of the U.S. except the East Coast for Atlantis Plastics. Lisa and our kids are doing well—Rachel is now 12(!) and Katie is 9. I am very lucky to have these three great girls in my life! 1544 - 42nd Lane, Cumming, IA 50061 craigolson@mchsi.com

Paula Jo Ubben, ’88.
Since moving into a new house this summer, I have become quite handy in the areas of home improvement. I am considering re-entering the broadcasting world on the Do-It-Yourself Network as some sort of almost-40 tool-time chick. Not really—but it is a fun thought! I continue to run my home-based graphic design/communications business, and I still love to travel anywhere warm and tropical during the cold winters we have to endure in the Minneapolis area! 13952 Wellington Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55347. pjabben@aol.com

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James Coloff, ’89.
Still living in Cedar Falls, running radio stations in Cedar Falls, Manchester and Forest City. Life can only become more hectic as our three children are now getting involved in activities from football to ice skating. I don’t remember this much stuff going on when I was a kid. As a matter of fact, I recall racing home after school to catch the “latest” episodes of Gilligan’s Island and Star Trek (the first generation). 620 Juanita Ave., Cedar Falls, IA 50613. jcoloff@hotmail.com
Julie Furlong, ’89.
Have run a Media Relations and PR business in Seattle for eight years, which took off last year! Hired my first employee and hope to hire a second if success continues. Would love to hear from other grad students from class of ’89! P.O. Box 46814. Seattle, WA 98146. julie@furlongcommunications.com

Robert Hein, ’89.
Hello, friends! After nearly 20 years in television news (EP, managing editor, producer, reporter, AE, etc.), I took a gamble and tried something new this year, producer at a home shopping network (WSS media, the Worldwide Shopping Source) here in the Twin Cities. I love the new experience and my new coworkers. It’s allowed me to use my broadcasting skills in a new way. I may go back to TV news in the future, but for now I’m enjoying the change of pace. If you’re visiting the Twin Cities, give me a call; I like to show off the most beautiful part of the country, 4139 Sylvia Court, Shoreview, MN 55126. movietwin@aol.com

Doug Jensen, ’89.
In late 2004, I left Information Resources Inc., a marketing research firm, to head newstand analysis at Primedia Enthusiast Media, the largest U.S. niche/enthusiast publisher. We have 120 titles; the best-known are Motor Trend, Automobile and Soap Opera Digest. My role is to reduce the number of magazines we print and distribute to retailers while holding our sales constant (using statistical models to do this). I am also involved in primary research by designing and implementing online surveys where we ask subscribers and newstand buyers to help us select the next magazine cover before we go to press. My new job at Primedia brings me full circle back into magazine journalism; Marcia Prior-Miller would be proud! 144 W. 18th St., No. 5N, New York, NY 10011. dougjensen@nyc.rr.com

Stephanie (Staebell) Hoxie, ’89.
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Suzanne (Weuve) Schwartz, ’89.
After 15 years in TV News, I am officially done! While I thoroughly enjoyed my job as assistant news director at KXTV in Colorado Springs, I suddenly found myself laid off and facing the tough decision of “What do I do now?” Dozens of interviews for jobs I’m not quite qualified for, and now I’m pursuing my own interests. What that entails has yet to be fully determined! Luckily, I have a fabulously supportive husband, Bernie (aerospace engineering, ’95), who is cool about letting me find my next calling. I’ve also tagged along with many of his business trips—another thing I couldn’t have done if I was still employed. We’ve been married a year now, and it just keeps getting better! Colorado Springs, Colo. sweuve@aol.com

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Bob Adams, ’90.
My big news for the past year is that my partner, Joe, and I were married in June. OK, so it wasn’t legal in our state (thank you very much, Gov. Arnold, for vetoing that legislation), but it’s real and valid to us and to our families, nonetheless. My family from Iowa flew out to attend—my parents walked me down the aisle, and my sister was my best woman! The ceremony was at a gay-affirming UCC/Congregational church. It actually felt kind of groundbreaking, which is quite a feat here in California, which seems to break new ground every day in some way or another. We took a delayed honeymoon to Paris, Brussels and Amsterdam in November. On the work front, I’m still a senior editor at LPI Media, working for The Advocate and HIV Plus magazines. In my fifth year at the company and in L.A., and still loving it. And I’ve made it through three “feel-able” earthquakes so far, albeit all pretty minor ones. Still waiting for that big one! 12618 Mitchell Ave., Apt. 7, Los Angeles, CA 90066. bblythe@yahoo.com

Bruce Blythe, ’90.
I’m in the middle of my fifth year at Bloomberg News in Chicago, reporting on the oil-refining and -drilling industry. However, I’m still maintaining ties to my sportswriting roots. During October, I found myself in the very rare position of helping cover a Chicago team in the World Series, which included attending games one and two at the White Sox home base, U.S. Cellular Field, a.k.a. The Cell. Now that the Sox’ long title drought is over, we’re going to work on the Cubs next. Best regards, Bruce. 3507 N. Reta Ave., Chicago, IL 60657. bblythe@bloomberg.net

Alissa (Kaplan) Michaels, ’90.
Hi, everyone! I’m working as a senior public affairs officer at Columbia University. But the biggest news in the Michaels household is the birth of our son, Leo Shade. Any Daily News (circa late 80s) out there? Drop me an e-mail. 700 Columbus Ave., Apt. 17D, New York, NY 10025. akmcolumbia@yahoo.com

Stephan Maras, ’90.
Stephan Maras joined the Florida International University voice department in January 2004. This Midwestern American chose to continue his formal voice studies after receiving a B.A. in journalism-public relations from Iowa State University, Ames, and a second B.A. in communication studies from The University of Iowa, Iowa City. As a member of the Des Moines Metro Opera Guild, his duties included newsletter editor and activities coordinator. On the DMMO stage, Maras stepped on as a supernumerarie in DMMO’s 2001 production of La Traviata and was a member of the auxiliary chorus of Turandot in 2002 and the 2003 production of Faust. In 2002, he was a last-minute replacement for the role of Pish Tush in The Mikado for the Drama Workshop of Des Moines. In the 2004-05 year at FIU, he portrayed the king in The Goose Girl, Brighella in The Harlequinade and Bluflf in The Impressario. He is a student of Edward Pierson and a member of The National Dean’s List, The National Scholars Honors Society and FIU’s chapter of Tau Sigma, a transfer student honor society. P.O. Box 651185, Miami, FL 33265. SMMaras@aol.com

Ann Foster, ’91.
Currently working as the director of communications, Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives, Des Moines, Iowa. 1290 N.W. 104th St., Clive, IA 50325. afosterisu@aol.com

Brien Murphy, ’91.
I have three workplace rules: 1. Don’t go into management. 2. If you do go into management, don’t do it where you’ve been working as a reporter and will become the boss of your friends. 3. Never date anyone at work. I violated rules 1 and 2 this year when the Abilene Reporter-News promoted me to features editor. It was time to do something else, and the offer was good. Plus, I wouldn’t have to leave my girlfriend (who doesn’t work here) behind. Plus, now that I’m not the music critic anymore, I’ve been able to resume playing and singing in coffee shops. That’s been a blast, and, after all these years, I’ve finally written a couple of songs. And I still get invited to parties thrown by the staff. So things are looking up. Abilene, Texas. murphyb1155@hotmail.com

Amy (O’Brien) Ritchie, ’91.
My husband, Todd, and I welcomed Jack O’Brien Ritchie to our family on May 5. He weighed 7 lbs., 13 oz., and was 21¼ inches long. I am staying at home with Jack, although I am also doing some marketing communications and public relations...
Amy (OBrien) and Todd Ritchie keep busy with son, Jack.

work on the side through my home-based business, O’Brien Ritchie Communications. 3717 Eastern Ave. N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402.

Heidi Schuessler, ’91.
Managing editor/production director of Sasquatch Books. 3710 26th Place W., No. 407, Seattle, WA 98199. heidianna2@hotmail.com

Stephanie (Sharratt) Horak, ’91.
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Shane Stratmoen, ’91.
I am entering my eighth year as a planning analyst at The Toro Company, working daily to try to use those famous five Ws (and an H!) to talk with engineers and determine which of the more than 700 products Toro builds every year need new manuals. I track each project through to completion, ensure completed documents are available through Toro’s various Internet resources, and electronically share our data with domestic and international strategic partners. I am also the proud husband of Sharon, my wife of 11 years, and a somewhat frazzled father for two kids, 8 and 5, who live life at 10,000 miles an hour. I miss Hilton Coliseum! 1140 Creekside Circle, Stillwater, MN 55082. ssstratmoen@aol.com

Jennifer (Holm) Dunlay, ’92.
After working eight+ years in marketing communications, I chose to stay home with my twins—Jillian and Joshua. They are now 4 years old. I am also an independent consultant with Arbonne International Pure Swiss Skin Care. 14897 S. Rene St., Olathe, KS 66062. jbdunlay@comcast.net

Jacqui (Jeras) Ellis, ’92.
I’m wrapping up my fifth year at CNN as a weather anchor/meteorologist/reporter. I can’t believe we’ve been in Atlanta that long! What an insane time it has been covering hurricanes Dennis, Katrina, Rita and the rest. It truly is a year that I will never forget, reporting on the worst weather disaster in our lifetimes. Needless to say it’s been stressful at times, but I’m still enjoying it. And, finally, I’ve made it to a Monday-Friday schedule! (We’ll see how long that lasts!) As for personal news, Mike and I celebrated our 12th anniversary, our daughter turned 4, and our little boy turned 2 in October. In addition to work and being a mom, I trained and competed in an adventure race. I didn’t win but am proud to have made it through 24 miles of biking, 12 canoeing, and 4 running/orienteering. Miss all my old ISU friends and hope you’re all well! E-mail me! jacqui.jeras@turner.com

Michael Miller, ’92.
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Cathleen (Muma) Anthofer, ’92.
Currently: a doctoral learner at Capella University in criminal justice; coordinator of student life and campus security/safety at Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City, Mich.; 2005 nominee for Michigan Emergency Management Volunteer of the Year; accepted nomination to serve on the advisory committee to the National Task Force on Community Preparedness and Response; created and implemented an emergency response training program in Haiti in 2004; administrative vice-president of the Soleil Foundation, which supports an elementary school in Haiti. 1701 E. Front St., Traverse City, MI 49686. canthofer@nm.edu

Another year, another move for our family. The Navy has taken us away from our beloved West Coast and plopped us down in Virginia. Two years and we can be headed back to Washington state, where my husband hopes to retire from the Navy and I can get back to the job at the newspaper I love in Bremerton, Wash. In the meantime, I hope to do some freelance writing for the Virginian-Pilot. Our kids, Ian, Maeve and Caroline, are growing quickly. 2003 Brier Cliff Crescent, Chesapeake, VA 23320. mnelsonbittle@cox.net

Christopher Bunce, ’93.
My 10th year as a telecommunications attorney has been a busy one. FCC Commissioner Powell virtually gutted competitive phone companies’ chances at growth, but the carriers are still fighting. All celebrated Powell’s exit from the FCC, but who knows what is ahead for the industry. I had an article published in the American Bar Association E-Journal and crafted antimonopoly regulations this year that have been adopted in four states. Stephanie signed with a literary agent and finished her second novel, currently in the hands of a national publishing house. Stephanie’s parents (JIMC Emeritus Associate Professor Steve Coon and JIMC alumna Elizabeth) have settled nicely into retirement in Tucson and are out on an excursion to Peru. We were lucky to have visits from our parents, as well as Stephanie’s brother Scott (ISU grad, ’93) and my brother Dave (ISU grad, ’89) and sister Debbie (ISU grad, ’88) and their families. Our free time is spent relaxing with our dogs. Kansas City, Mo. bunce@iowabar.org

Lauri (Dumstorff) Freking, ’93.
I’m in my second year with Wixted Pope Thompson & Associates as a media training consultant on a part-time basis. I work with our clients during training sessions covering media and crisis communication, presentation and controversy and issues management. I love the work and the challenges of helping our clients become stronger communicators. I also continue to do on-camera work for Iowa Public Television during its annual fundraiser. Steve, Ben, 5, Maya, 3, and I moved into a different house in ’05 and are an active family of four! 916 Prairie View Drive, West Des Moines, IA 50266. frekhome@msn.com

Sarah (Hagarty) Ruba, ’93.
Still plugging away as editor of Benefit Edge magazine for The Principal Financial Group. We reshaped content and redesigned our look in the last year and won an IABC award for our efforts. On the family side, hubby Scott was appointed an officer at Principal. Emily, almost 9, is a gymnastics whirlwind, and Andrew, 6, is our little soccer star. 1005 N.E. Eighth Court, Ankeny, IA 50021 ruba.sarah@mchsi.com
**Andrew just turned 2 and is my pride and joy.** Is to work for. Most of my time is spent at work, department for Kemin Industries in Des Moines. August 2004. I work in the Human Resources. I moved on to a new position and company in. VOD and addressable television; we are anxious consumers. We employed some new media field, looking for more precise ways to reach. 32309. dschnitt@mailer.fsu.edu brother. 3115 Ansley Park Drive, Tallahassee, FL. September and 2½-year-old Abby adores her little. Web programming. On the homefront, Mandy was promoted to director of visual media 2005 was a big year for the Schnittkers! I. Dennis Schnittker, '93. 2005 was a big year for the Schnittkers! I was promoted to director of visual media and promotion at Florida State. I oversee the university’s internal and external electronic communication including radio, television, and Web programming. On the homefront, Mandy and I moved to a new home in May in anticipation of the birth of our second child. Tyler was born in September and 2½-year-old Abby adores her little brother. 3115 Ansley Park Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32309. dschnitt@mailer.fsu.edu

**Sheila (Roll) Martin, '93.** Sheila is a homemaker, and husband Jeff Martin is the metro editor at the Argus Leader newspaper in Sioux Falls. 4308 S. Florence Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57103.

**Dennis Schnittker, '93.** 2005 was a big year for the Schnittkers! I was promoted to director of visual media and promotion at Florida State. I oversee the university’s internal and external electronic communication including radio, television, and Web programming. On the homefront, Mandy and I moved to a new home in May in anticipation of the birth of our second child. Tyler was born in September and 2½-year-old Abby adores her little brother. 3115 Ansley Park Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32309. dschnitt@mailer.fsu.edu

**Kelli (Van Berkum) Anstine, '93.** I am still working in the advertising media planning field, looking for more precise ways to reach consumers. We employed some new media technologies for our clients this year, including VOD and addressable television; we are anxious to see some results! On a personal level, it’s been a fun year with our new son in the household. 13111 W. 83rd Terrace, Lenexa, KS 66215. kelli_anstine@hotmail.com

**David Larson, '94.** I moved on to a new position and company in August 2004. I work in the Human Resources department for Kemin Industries in Des Moines. It is a very fulfilling position and great company to work for. Most of my time is spent at work, coaching, with my wife and son or running. Andrew just turned 2 and is my pride and joy. Is it a crime if he can already recite the Iowa State Fight Song? (No, I’m serious.) I also continue coaching girls’ freshman basketball during the winters. Leann stays at home but finds time to own and run a competitive Cheer company. This October I finished my third marathon in Chicago—what a thrill! Other than more gray hairs than last year, things are well. It is good to hear from everyone from time to time. Don’t be a stranger. 1025 Ridgewood Court, West Des Moines, IA 50265. cydave@yahoo.com

**Diane (Taylor) Combites, '94.** Hello fellow Dailyites! Andy and I are well into our second year of parenthood, and all is well. My new fitness plan is pretty much toddler-chasing. I am still at home full-time with Taylor and enjoying almost every moment. My thoughts have been on a former Daily co-worker recently. This week, Dwight Yoakum will be performing at a club a few miles up the street. Many years ago, I was set to review him in concert at Hilton, but no photons were available that night. Helen Davidson said not to worry, she would fix all the settings on the camera and I could just focus and shoot. I was nervous, but Helen was very encouraging. The shots came out great, of course. A lovely person. While I continue on the mommy track, Andy had an exciting career change in May when he became an associate director of marketing for the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota. He oversees all of the school’s Web, e-mail and interactive marketing initiatives. More changes will be ahead when he begins taking advantage of the great U of M tuition benefit by enrolling in the Carlson School’s highly ranked part-time MBA program. For my part, I was able to dust off my red pen and edit Andy’s application essays. At this point, I take any journalism work that comes my way! But never fear, the maroon and gold of the Gophers will never take the place of cardinal and gold. Go Cyclones! (Also see Andy Combites, ’96.) 106 Kenwood Drive E., Maplewood, MN 55117. dcombites@msn.com

**David Thompson, ’94.** Director of marketing, Stine Seed Co. Dallas Center, Iowa. dpthompson@stineseeds.com

**Melissa Tresness, ’94.** 1617 S. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach, FL 33062. mitressness@aol.com

**Rachel (Dircks) Kelley, ’95.** Maytag brand manager. rachel.kelley@maytag.com

**Shawne (Donahue) Ungs, ’95.** I am currently working at Performance Marketing in West Des Moines as an account supervisor. I started working there this spring, and I am enjoying the new accounts I have been working on. We work with Honeywell, Andersen Windows, NAPA Auto Parts and some other great clients. I currently live with my husband, Jayme, and our 3-year-old son, Ryan, in Boone, Iowa, where we enjoy being close enough to get back to Iowa State to attend sporting events and other special events at the university.

**Jennifer Dukes Lee, ’95.** Scott and I live in rural Inwood in northwest Iowa. After moving here in 2002, I kept my job on a part-time basis as a Des Moines Register reporter. However, I left the paper in the summer of 2005 to focus more on my children, 4 and 1, and to help with Scott’s family business, Super Soynuts. 1574 210th St., Inwood, IA 51240. dukesslee@hotmail.com

**Kelley Halliburton, ’95.** I graduated from the Indiana University Bloomington School of Law last May. I recently relocated to the Washington, D.C., area. Alexandria, Va. kelleyhalliburton@gmail.com

**Minnesota Vikings players Daunte Culpepper and Michael Bennett were guests with Jason Howland at KAAL-TV’s Vikings View Live show in November 2004.**

**Jason Howland, ’95.** After almost a decade working a night shift in the sports department, I finally learned how to use my alarm clock. Modern technology is truly amazing. What’s next? A metal box that cooks your food? How ‘bout a car that runs on electricity—that would be funny. This summer I made the switch from sports director to news anchor for the morning and midday shows. I’ve always had that itch to get into the news department, but the sports job sort of fell into my lap way back when—and I loved every minute of it. However, it was time for a new direction in my career and, with this fresh (and very early) start, I couldn’t be any happier! I’m still at KAAL-TV, the ABC affiliate in Austin, Minn., but now I’m co-anchoring a one-and-a-half hour morning show, along with a half-hour midday newscast. Enough with the professional stuff. I’m still single and own a home
in Albert Lea near my immediate family. I have three little nephews that I love to spoil with noisy toys that drive their parents crazy. I've spent most of my weekends this summer in the boat fishing across the great land of 10,000 lakes. I watch the Gophers but still secretly cheer for the Cyclones when around my Minnesota friends. Not looking forward to my heating bill this winter here “in da north country.” Any old friends around Minnesota, send me an e-mail! 1133 Plainview Lane, Albert Lea, MN 56007. jhowland@kaaltv.com

Eric Koppelman, '95.
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Kara Sjoblom-Bay, '95.
We've had a couple busy years. Last year, Stephen and I purchased our first home and have enjoyed decorating (and redecorating) over the past months. This summer, we spent two weeks in Peru—a truly amazing country. We spent some time in the Amazon and hiked the Inca Trail, and I met a distant cousin I didn't know existed while on our trek! We have both been working on book projects. Stephen's first book of photographs (of Los Angeles) is coming out next year, a publisher is reviewing my children's book, and I am working on a novel. 1311 Cristina Ave., San Jose, CA 95125. kara@karasjoblom.com

Scott Stanzel, '95.
After working in Washington, D.C., for the better part of eight years, I recently moved to Seattle to work for Microsoft as a senior public relations manager. 2105 Westlake Ave. N., Apt. 401, Seattle, WA 98109. scott@stanzel.com

Larry L. Vavroch, '95.
My career path continues to include my two loves of broadcasting and writing. As operations manager of KDFR 91.3 FM in Des Moines (89.1 in Ames), my daily public-affairs program covers a wide range of community issues. In addition to covering issues impacting Central Iowa, I host and produce weekly public affairs interviews for Family Radio’s FM stations in Fort Dodge, Iowa; Emporia, Kan.; and Bismarck, N.D. I also continue to cover the city council beats in Clive, Urbandale and Windsor Heights for the Press Citizen Network of weekly community newspapers. Linda continues to stay active in the medical field as an on-call transcriptionist for an Iowa Health Clinic in West Des Moines. Lisa Marie, 14, a ninth-grader at Urbandale High School, is participating in ninth-grade basketball this year, as well as high school chorus. Our family always enjoys returning to the Iowa State campus, and we recently attended the Greenlee School's homecoming celebration. Our faith is our source of strength, and prayer is vital in these challenging times. Each day is a gift from God, and we strive to live today to its fullest. 2021 53rd St., Des Moines, IA 50310. kdfr@qwest.net

Andy Combites, '96.
(See Diane (Taylor) Combites, '94.) 106 Kenwood Drive E., Maplewood, MN 55117. acombites@msn.com

Carrie Holcomb, '96.
I am coming up on my five-year anniversary (Oct. 26) as an editor in Meredith Corporation's Book Group. I still love it here at Meredith and love being surrounded by many other ISU grads! I've been married to Phillip Treanor since April of 2004 and have two stepkids, Brad and Tyler, who are both fabulous. I'm now a dog-mom, too. Max, the miniature, long-haired dachshund, has become the center of our world at home. Pretty sad, but pretty fun, too. If you are ever headed to Lake Rathbun, let me know. We are building a house near Honey Creek State Park. 3215 50th St., Des Moines, IA 50310. carrie.holcomb@meredith.com

Marc Hollander, '96.
I'm still the go-to guy at Storey Kenworthy, WorkSpace Inc. and Business Furniture Warehouse for advertising, marketing, Web sites, PR and the power-pacing schedule at the downtown YMCA. Madeline is nearly 18 months and keeping Mandy and I very busy. We enjoy keeping in touch with our ISU alum friends and seeing their growing families! Best wishes. Go state! 4306 Aspen Drive, West Des Moines, IA 50265. marshallholland@gmail.com

John Loecke, '96.
This has been an eventful year. I signed my first three-part book deal with Clarkson Potter. The first book, Decorating with Gros Grain Ribbon, will appear in late 2006. I also finished writing and producing The Organizing Idea for Taunton Press, which will be in Target Stores nationwide in January. 2006 will also be the year I leave Manhattan, albeit only for Brooklyn. My partner and I bought a brownstone that we are renovating and hope to wrap up work by early spring. Fingers crossed, it will be in a magazine when finished. See www.johnloeckeinc.com. 102 W. 85th, No. 9D, New York, NY 10024. jloecke@nyc.rr.com

Landra (Meister) Carty, '96.
Working with my spouse to establish his own photography business. 3117 26th St., Des Moines, IA 50310. cartyphto@juno.com

Kathy (Sattem) Rygg, '96.
After living in Colorado for seven years, we decided to make the move back to the Midwest. Our son, Jack, turned 2 in November and is excited to be living in Omaha with both sets of grandparents. It's nice to be back home with family and friends, and I look forward to visiting ISU soon. kathyrygg@hotmail.com

Tammy (Sonksen) Arbuckle, '96.
Our daughter, Taylor KayAnn, was born in March, so we enjoy the new adventures parenting has brought us! 12362 N.W. 86th Ave., Grimes, IA 50111. Tammy.J.Arbuckle@Mercer.com

Amanda Svec, '96.
In January, it will be my third anniversary working at Wells Fargo Home Mortgage in West Des Moines as a communications consultant. I support employee communications for the Corporate Real Estate & Facilities Services department of the company. This fall I enjoyed Cyclone football, especially beating Iowa! I am looking forward to a trip to Italy and France in 2006. Ankeny, Iowa. alsvec@yahoo.com

Our family moved back to Iowa from the Chicago area with Andrew’s job at Pine Ridge Farms in Des Moines. Aiden was born in March of this year. He and big sister Isabel keep me busy while I stay at home and enjoy my time with them. 4015 Belair Drive, Urbandale, IA 50323. andrewnessa@yahoo.com

Elaine (Ackert) Salewske, '97.
I’m working as the marketing communications manager at the Society of Critical Care Medicine, a nonprofit health-care association. I’ve also decided to go back to school; I’m working on my MBA at Lake Forest Graduate School of Management. 324 W. Shadow Creek Drive, Vernon Hills, IL 60061. elaine@salewske.com

Shannon Booth Biberdorf, husband Paul and baby boy Brody prepare for the Iowa-Iowa State game day in September.

Shannon Booth Biberdorf, '97.
I’m still in eastern Iowa at your 24-hour news and weather source, KCRG-TV9! I’m working as the station’s executive producer, and it seems we’re
Jennifer Holland, ’97.
Greetings from Manhattan! I was promoted in September to be an editor on the national desk for The Associated Press. I said goodbye to my convertible, and I’m learning how to be a professional pedestrian in this big city. Let me know when you’re in town, and we can grab a beer! jmholland@ap.org

Kevin Kirby, ’97.
I’m still working as an information systems/LAN technician at Cedar Valley College in Lancaster, Texas. I write our documentation and some proposals, and work on various long-term projects when not solving the little problems that pop up every day. It’s also stable enough that I’ve bought my first home, a condo in central Dallas. Feel free to write anytime; I’d love to hear from the ‘95-’97 gang. 2710 Douglas Ave., No. 142, Dallas, TX 75219. kevin@kskirby.net

Leana Benson, ’98.
Hello from sunny Southern California. I missed the deadline for last year’s Newsletter, so I have ever so much to fill you all in on, but I don’t want this to become an epic, so I’ll just give you the highlights. Stand-up comedy is going really well for me. I’m performing all the time, and last April I was a semifinalist in Secret deodorant’s search for the funniest female. I performed alongside Kathy Griffin at the famous Laugh Factory on the Sunset Strip. It was definitely a highlight for me. I book my own comedy rooms in Orange County. I currently have four different shows going. I hope it soon becomes a profitable side venture while I work on my own material. Next summer, I plan to take my show on the road, literally, and start performing at clubs and colleges around the country. So keep an eye open as I might be coming to a town near you! I still have my day job for now.

In August of 2005 I celebrated my fifth year as project manager of the marketing department at Laserfiche Document Imaging in Long Beach, Calif. That milestone coincided with my second full year as a homeowner. I’d love to hear from anyone, especially alums who’ve settled out in So Cal. Check out my Web site at www.leanabenson.com. 4700 Clair Del Ave., Suite 632, Long Beach, CA 90807. leana@leanabenson.com

Sara (Bjorke) Mason, ’98.
In the past year, I have freelance-edited two books and written articles for trade pubs here and there. I miss the consistency of working in an office, but I love spending the time at home with my daughter. We are both learning new things every day. She is teaching me to slow down and enjoy the things in life I hardly even noticed anymore, not to mention love, discipline and patience! 438 La Fox River Drive, Algonquin, IL 60102. s.j.mason@sbcglobal.net

I continue to work in the corporate relations department at the Principal Financial Group. Closing on six years now, each day is different—one of many favorite things about this job. My husband, Troy, and I live in Des Moines with our two daughters—Mary Grace, 6, and Catherine, 3. We are expecting our third child in May. How quickly time flies! 3911 Beaver Ave., Des Moines, IA 50310. clark-leyda.rhonda@principal.com

Amy (Collins) Yost, ’98.
Joined the Des Moines Public Library Foundation in 2004 to develop its annual campaign and plan fundraising events, including the Iowa Author Awards. 117 S. 49th St., West Des Moines, IA 50265. a_yost@hotmail.com

Sharon (Evans) Kibiloski donates school supply items at a primary school in Baghdad. While Evans enjoyed her work with the Iraqi interim government and Iraqi transitional government (true heroes). My experiences there were truly incredible and definitely changed my nature of the digital media industry makes it so! Just when you think you have things figured out, a new technology or technique comes along—gotta love it! Internet Protocol Television (IPTV) seems to be the next big thing. I just got my new iPod that plays video, so I can watch my videocasts anywhere! Keep in touch, everybody! www.DannysDigitalDomain.com. 4430 104th St., No. 6, Des Moines, IA 50322. dannyengesser@netscape.net

Corey Moss, ’99.
I am now in my second year in the U.S. Peace Corps, after having worked almost six years as a reporter in Iowa, Kansas and Ohio. My service will be done in May 2006. Currently, I’m working with an international agricultural organization, helping do some work on a CD-ROM about growing vegetables aimed at kids. I’m also working on a brochure of Suriname’s first butterfly farm, for which I’ve been using Reiman Gardens as a reference. I’m also taking lots of photographs and learning Spanish in a Dutch-speaking country. It’s been a fun, challenging time here so far. I know I’ll miss Suriname when it comes time to return home, but I’m also eager to return to life in the States. I hope all you Iowa State Daily alums are doing well. Feel free to contact me. Peace Corps Suriname, P.O. Box 9500, Paramaribo-Zuid, Suriname, South America. shuva29@yahoo.com

Scott Froehlich, ’98.
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Shuva Rahim, ’98.
After a year in Iowa, we are really starting to appreciate our new life and all of the reasons we moved back. We do miss Chicago but try to make time to visit. I’m enjoying my new job in media relations with the Principal Financial Group and learning what it’s like to work on the other side—as the client. This summer, Stu and I celebrated our fifth wedding anniversary and look forward to spending the first fall in our new house. 1764 N.W. 122nd Court, Clive, IA 50325. sorrel.sajna@principal.com

(See Corey Moss, ’99). 10549 Draper Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90064.

Hey, all. I still work as a Web, DVD and video designer at Iowa Public Television. After six years at IPTV, things continue to stay interesting—the nature of the digital media industry makes it so! Just when you think you have things figured out, a new technology or technique comes along—gotta love it! Internet Protocol Television (IPTV) seems to be the next big thing. I just got my new iPod that plays video, so I can watch my videocasts anywhere! Keep in touch, everybody! www.DannysDigitalDomain.com. 4430 104th St., No. 6, Des Moines, IA 50322. dannyengesser@netscape.net

Corey Moss, ’99.
I am still a senior writer at MTV News, and my wife
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is now a marketing manager at Lions Gate Films. (Also see Kristin (Berg) Moss, ’99.) 10549 Draper Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90064.

I am still working as an academic adviser at the University of Iowa. Of course, I caught lots of flak at work since the Cyclones beat the Hawks this year, but it was worth it! On a personal note, I recently got engaged and will be getting married in October 2006. 2816 Falcon Drive N.E., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. cheryl-oldenburg@uiowa.edu

After graduating from the Greenlee School, I served in the U.S. Peace Corps in Ukraine, recently administered international civic-education programs funded by the State Department. This summer, I married my Peace Corps sweetheart, who is originally from Alabama, and moved to Baltimore, where I am working on a graduate degree in public policy from Johns Hopkins University. If any of my classmates live in or around the “Bawlmer” area, please look me up! 10 E. Madison St., Apt. 1D, Baltimore, MD 21202. ellynp@gmail.com

2000s

After graduating from seminary next June (we’ll each have a master’s in theology/Christian studies), Fiona and I will be returning to Iowa for a year or a bit more. We’ll probably be living near my parents in my hometown, Hull, and we’re excited about the move. (Any need for reporters in NW Iowa?) In the future, we are (still) hoping to be on the mission field somewhere—still a matter for prayer and thinking. Hong Kong. luke_dekoster@hotmail.com

Martin “Marty” Forth, ’00.
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Julie (Mayo) Haddad, ’00.
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Jennifer Hacke, ’01.
I began my new position as telecounseling coordinator in Iowa State’s Office of Admissions fall 2005, and I really enjoy it! It’s nice to be back in the office where I worked during both undergrad and grad school. In my free time, I try to attend Cyclone sporting events and enjoy spending time with my four nieces and nephews. 1711 Meadowlawn Ave., Ames, IA 50010. jhacke@hotmail.com

Jenny Irlmeier, ’01.
I just started a job as director of communications and marketing for the Iowa Pharmacy Association. I also have my own part-time photography business—Uniquely Photo. 824 - 14th St., West Des Moines, IA 50265. jirlmeier@iarc.org

Kati (Jividen) Bernard, ’01.
A lot has changed in my personal life in the last year, but little has changed professionally. I continue to work as a communications specialist for the Blue Valley School District in Overland Park, Kan. I also freelance for The Kansas City Star and recently signed a contract to start freelancing for the Kansas City Business Journal. I came close to accepting a job at the BJ in August but decided I needed a few months to be big-decision-free! I hope to apply for another job there in the future. In August, I married Justin Bernard (accounting, ’96) here in Kansas. We spent a week in Jamaica before settling into our new home in Overland Park. We have tons of room, so hopefully some of you can come and visit. We’d love to have you! Other than that, we remain active in the ISU Alumni Association (both Justin and I are officers with the KC Club), and we spend many hours at the local ISU bars (Kelly’s and The Other Place), cheering on the Cyclones! 4904 W. 157th Place, Overland Park, KS 66224. J4CY01@hotmail.com

Karen (Risch) Hieb, ’01.
Life is full, and God is good. I’m in my second year as project manager of Children Desiring God, a division of Desiring God, a ministry in Minneapolis. My primary responsibility is to facilitate the process of bringing CDG resources from conception to completion. I work with authors, designers and printers to ensure that products meet high quality standards and that we stay within a predetermined budget and schedule. I’m also responsible for promotions and record-keeping, and I work with our very small staff (and a group of wonderful volunteers) to produce special events, such as our Children’s Ministry Leader’s Conference. My husband, Tim, works full-time as a handyman and part-time as a piano teacher. We celebrated our second wedding anniversary in September with another trip to Duluth/Grand Marais. This time we took our miniature schnauzer, Charlie, and the three of us enjoyed hiking and lake-watching. Eden Prairie, Minn. karenmarie@usfamily.net
Having a baby completely changed my outlook on life. I gave up my job as news editor for The Des Moines Register’s community publications to spend more time at home. I’m now working on an on-call basis for The Register’s copy desks, and I’m also doing freelance copy-editing for Meredith Corp. Cory is loving fatherhood, his job, his band and our new house. We’d love to hear from our old Greenlee/Daily buddies. 2022 N.W. Pleasant St., Ankeny, IA 50023. cante@isu.alum

Brent West, ’01.
Heading into my fourth year with Wells Fargo. Employed in the written customer contact department at Wells Fargo Home Mortgage. Living is West Des Moines. 6689 Vista Drive, Apt. 89309, West Des Moines, IA 50266. brentwest78@netzero.net

Kristen (Ehlers) Jacobs, ’02.
2005 was a busy year! I married Aaron Jacobs (advertising, ’95) on May 28, we spent 10 days in Hawaii, and three months later we purchased a home. The boxes are unpacked, and our lives have slowed down just in time for the holiday season! Issaquah, Wash. kkehlers@hotmail.com

Kate Kompas, ’02.
Am still working at the St. Cloud Times in St. Cloud, Minn., although for the past eight months I’ve been working on the copy desk. The previous three years, I was a reporter. I made the switch to the dark side because I was in the mood for a change and wanted to diversify the ol’ résumé. I like the work a lot, although I’m still getting used to the strange schedule. (No more getting up at 7 a.m. for me.) And I still love Minnesota, despite the mosquitoes in the summer and heavy snow in the winter. 3000 N. Seventh St., St. Cloud, MN 56303. kkompas@stcloudtimes.com

Tera Lawson, ’02.
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Nicole Peckumn, ’02.
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Kara Peterson, ’02.
Des Moines, Iowa.

Emily (Ries) Assmus, ’02.
I am currently working my third campaign for the United Way of South Hampton Roads. I am a development manager, who works with CEOs to focus their corporate philanthropic efforts toward our local community and support of United Way agencies and health and human service programming. It’s mostly fundraising, but I have also gotten to do some major event planning and public relations, as well as now being dubbed UWSHR’s official proofreader. I have also become very involved in Virginia Beach’s Homeless Advocacy and Resource Partnership, as United Way and other community organizations look at how problems, such as access to affordable housing, can be solved by targeting root causes instead of just providing safety-net programming. Patrick is ready to rotate off the USS Harry S. Truman, and while Virginia has become our home, we’re excited at the chance to try something new. Virginia Beach, Va. chickiepotpie@hotmail.com

Emily Arthur, ’03.
I’ve spent the past year and a half working as the cops reporter at the Aberdeen American News, a Knight Ridder paper in South Dakota. In the beginning of September, I spent two weeks in the South helping a fellow Knight Ridder paper, the Biloxi (Miss.) Sun Herald, rebound from Hurricane Katrina. 822 N. Washington St., Aberdeen, SD 57401. earthur@aberendeennews.com

Jennifer (Bell) Zech, ’03.
My husband and I recently moved to California. I am working as a marketing copywriter for a real-estate company. 8606 E. Cliffside Drive, No. 130, Anaheim Hills, CA 92808. jenbell80@msn.com

Amber Billings, ’03.
This year was an exciting year for me. First of all, I am engaged to my boyfriend of 3.5 years, Drew Allen. I will be Amber Allen starting April 22. Secondly, I donated a kidney to my cousin in August at the Mayo Clinic in Phoenix, Ariz. The surgery went well, and my cousin and I are feeling great. Fellow Greenlee grad Michelle (Kann) Volkman covered the surgery and did a four-part series for the Yuma (Ariz.) Sun, which is my cousin’s hometown paper. And last, but not least, Drew and I are the proud parents of a 10-month-old Lhasa Apso puppy, Mookie. He keeps us quite busy. I’m still employed as a copy editor at The Augusta Chronicle in Augusta, Ga. amber_billings2212@yahoo.com

Valerie Dennis, ’03.
Copy editor/page designer at the Macon (Ga.) Telegraph. 1033 Walnut St., Apt B, Macon, GA 31201. vldennis@gmail.com

Mary (Hanks) Odegaard, ’03.
I’m working as a copywriter at an advertising agency in Raleigh and really enjoying my job. We have some nice local and national accounts, and I’ve gotten to work on everything from print ads to Web sites to television. My husband and I have also recently bought a house—so, needless to say, I’m keeping busy. Best regards to the Greenlee School! 1 Old Towne Place, Durham, NC 27713. maryodegaard@yahoo.com

Megan (Hinds) Myers, ’03.
It’s been quite a busy year! My fiancé, Cory Myers, and I were married in June, and we moved from Idaho to South Dakota in August. I’m currently working as a business reporter for the Argus Leader in Sioux Falls. Cory is the Argus Leader’s photography chief. We worked out a kind of a package deal, and we couldn’t have asked for a better situation. I’m happy to be back in the Midwest, closer to family and at a very fulfilling job. 6300 S. Avalon Ave., No. 104, Sioux Falls, SD 57108. megan.myers@mac.com

Cavan Reagan, ’03.
I began a new job in May with Juice, The Des Moines Register’s weekly publication geared toward young professionals. I’ve been copy editing, designing and writing. My partner, Scott, and I have also been busy planning our wedding, which will be next summer in St. Paul. 1125 S.E. Birch Lane, Ankeny, IA 50021. cavanreagan@mac.com

John Woods, ’03.
The past two years have seemed like 20. Since graduating in 2003, I’ve lived in three states and worked for three news stations, including ABC, NBC and CBS affiliates. I’ve filmed police chases flying by, been a half-mile from a tornado, and interviewed more famous people than I can begin to remember. I’m currently working as a photojournalist in market 30 (Kansas City, Mo). I’m at the No. 1 rated station, KMBC-TV, and I’ve only been in this business for three years! I owe a great deal of my success to the Greenlee School. Its hard work and dedication has rubbed off on me and given me the edge to succeed. Kansas City, MO 64114. woodsiecam@yahoo.com

Kim Bui, ’04.
I’ve been in Kansas City, covering city government for the Star’s Platte County Neighborhood News. Nothing else has changed, except I miss Ames and the Daily crew a bit. pikimbui@gmail.com

Maggie Halferty, ’04.
I have filed as a candidate for the Iowa State Senate (District 35). The election is in November 2006. 3040 N.W. 73rd Lane, Ankeny, IA 50023.
Anna Holland, ’04.
I started working as a copy editor on the universal desk at The Dallas Morning News in mid-October. 4935 Junius St., No. 13, Dallas, TX 75246. holland.anna@gmail.com

Aaron Ladage, ’04.
After graduation, I moved to Overland Park, Kan., a suburb of Kansas City. It took a few months of searching, but I finally accepted a full-time position as a staff writer for Land Line Magazine, a trade publication that covers the transportation industry. Since graduation, I have also been freelancing music features for The Pitch, a New Times alternative newsweekly. In June 2005, I proposed to Jill Sederstrom, a fellow Greenlee School graduate and Iowa State Daily alumna. (The wedding will be held in August 2006.) Former photo editor Eric Rowley and I have also created The Daily Update (www.dailyyupdateisu.com), an online message board designed to help former Daily staffers stay in touch and network with other ISU journalists. Overland Park, Kan. aladage@gmail.com

Nicole Paseka, ’04.
I started graduate school at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., in January 2005 after completing an internship at The Des Moines Register. The Chicago winter was miserable, but I fell in love with the city over the summer. My reporting emphases are in economics, the legal system and urban problems. During summer 2005, I had the opportunity to work with NU Professor David Proffet on the Medill Innocence Project, investigating the wrongful murder convictions of inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections. The experience was so eye-opening that I have considered law school, but we will see where life takes me. In June, fellow Greenlee School graduate Leah McBride started at NU and moved in with me, so the old Iowa State Daily team is still together. Leah was the news editor of the Daily in 2003-04, when I was editor in chief. We are the only “Iowa girls” at Medill and are pleased to report that the Iowa State Daily continues to outperform the Daily Northwestern. This spring I will participate in Medill’s Global Journalism Program. I will be in Paris for a two-week orientation, then I will intern at a paper abroad—most likely the Prague Post. I miss Ames and all the friendly faces at the Greenlee School, especially Mark Witherspoon and all the faculty members who have put their souls into the Iowa State Daily. It continues to be one of the top student newspapers in the nation, and I could not be more proud. I would love to hear from you all. 1915 Maple Ave., Engelhart Hall No. 718, Evanston, IL 60201. n-paseka@northwestern.edu

Jill Sederstrom, ’04.
I am working as an education reporter at The Kansas City Star and recently got engaged to Aaron Ladage, another Greenlee School alum. 12408 W. 120th Court, Apt. 1925, Overland Park, KS 66213. jsederstrom@gmail.com

Kate Sonderman, ’04.
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Lucas Grundmeier, ’05.
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Flip De Luca, friend.
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Obituaries

Paul M. Visser, ’47

Paul M. Visser, ’47, died peacefully in his home in Cornelius, N.C., on June 10, 2005. His ashes were to be scattered at nearby Lake Norman, which was his favorite spot just outside Charlotte.

Visser was on the staff of the Bomb, the Iowa Agriculturalist and the Green Gander. He edited the Agriculturalist in 1946 and was editor and director of the Bomb in 1946-47.

He was on the boards of both those, plus the Collegiate Press Board, and he was a member of Sigma Delta Chi.

In November 1920, Visser was born on a farm in Bussey, Iowa, a town of 500 to 600 people. There was no electricity or running water in those days.

He was valedictorian of his high school graduating class and soon thereafter enrolled at Iowa State College.

He was the first person from Bussey to ever attend a college or university.

He supported himself, delivering sheep and growing Pioneer hybrid seed corn. In 1939, he served at the New York World’s Fair at the electrified farm, and he also represented John W. Cudahy.

He enlisted in the Army, serving in the Pacific Theater in New Guinea and the Philippines during World War II.

He was awarded a battlefield commission to second lieutenant.

He served in the Armed Forces Radio stations in Leyte and Manila as a radio announcer, covering the Japanese war crimes trials for John W. Vander Cook and H.V. Kaltenborn Network News Show.

He also entertained U.S. troops with music and sports coverage.

He returned from the war and graduated with honors from Iowa State in 1947. He then began a career with NBC, where he wrote some of the first shows for the new television media and did the first live television show ever broadcast from Chicago.

He was an instrumental part of the National Farm and Radio Hour with Everett Mitchell.

Old-timers will remember, “It’s a be-a-u-ti-ful day in Chicago, and I hope it’s even more beautiful wherever you are.”

Visser later left Chicago and NBC to join the Gardner Advertising Agency in St. Louis as vice president of new business. He later moved on to Clinton E. Frank Advertising in Chicago.

He believed that “anything [could] be accomplished through hard work … and that all people [were] equal” long before the idea itself was popular. Visser was a strong believer in college education and was responsible for financing his own, his two sisters’ and the first year of his brother’s education.

These include both Joan [Visser] MacDuffee, ’47, and Daryl Visser, ’52, at Iowa State. In addition, he saw to it that all of his four children graduated from college.

Besides those two siblings, Paul is survived by his wife and friend of 58 years, Erika [Westphal] Visser, ’46. Paul and Erika’s children include three sons, Phil Visser of Cornelius, N.C.; Kenn Visser of Englewood, Fla.; and Russ Visser of Penticton, B.C., Canada; a daughter, Barbara Creason of Fort Worth, Texas; and 16 grandchildren.
David Charles Lantz, ‘52

David Charles Lantz, ‘52, died March 31, 2005, at the age of 77. He was born Jan. 4, 1928, in Ames, the son of Harvey Lantz, a professor of horticulture, and Ona Lantz, organist for 40 years at the campus Presbyterian Church.

Lantz enlisted in the U.S. Army immediately after graduating from Ames High in 1946. He served two years as a Special Services photographer in Seoul, Korea.

Afterward, Lantz returned to Ames to graduate from Iowa State in 1952 in technical journalism.

Lantz traveled all over the world in his work. As he wrote in the 2002 Newsletter, “The tech journalism degree from Iowa State was my ticket to a very rewarding life.” One of his passions was photography, specifically photography of central Iowa. He left us with many wonderful images of mid-America, a precious reminder of the disappearing family farm. He always had a positive attitude and an eye for good composition.

He is survived by his wife, Joanne; a son, Robert, business administration, ‘88, and daughter-in-law, Elan, of Golden, Colo.; and two preschool grandchildren, Leif and Justus.

Shira Lavender, ‘78


At ISU, she took part in activities that included student radio station KPGY and the Iowa State Daily, as well as theater and drama.

After graduating from Iowa State, she attended graduate school in New York City, and she later lived in Honolulu.

Lavender suffered physical and mental-health problems for much of her adult life but managed to maintain her interest in writing and music, as well as her correspondence with friends and family.

She is survived by her parents, Dorothy and Lou Lavender, and her older brother, David.
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