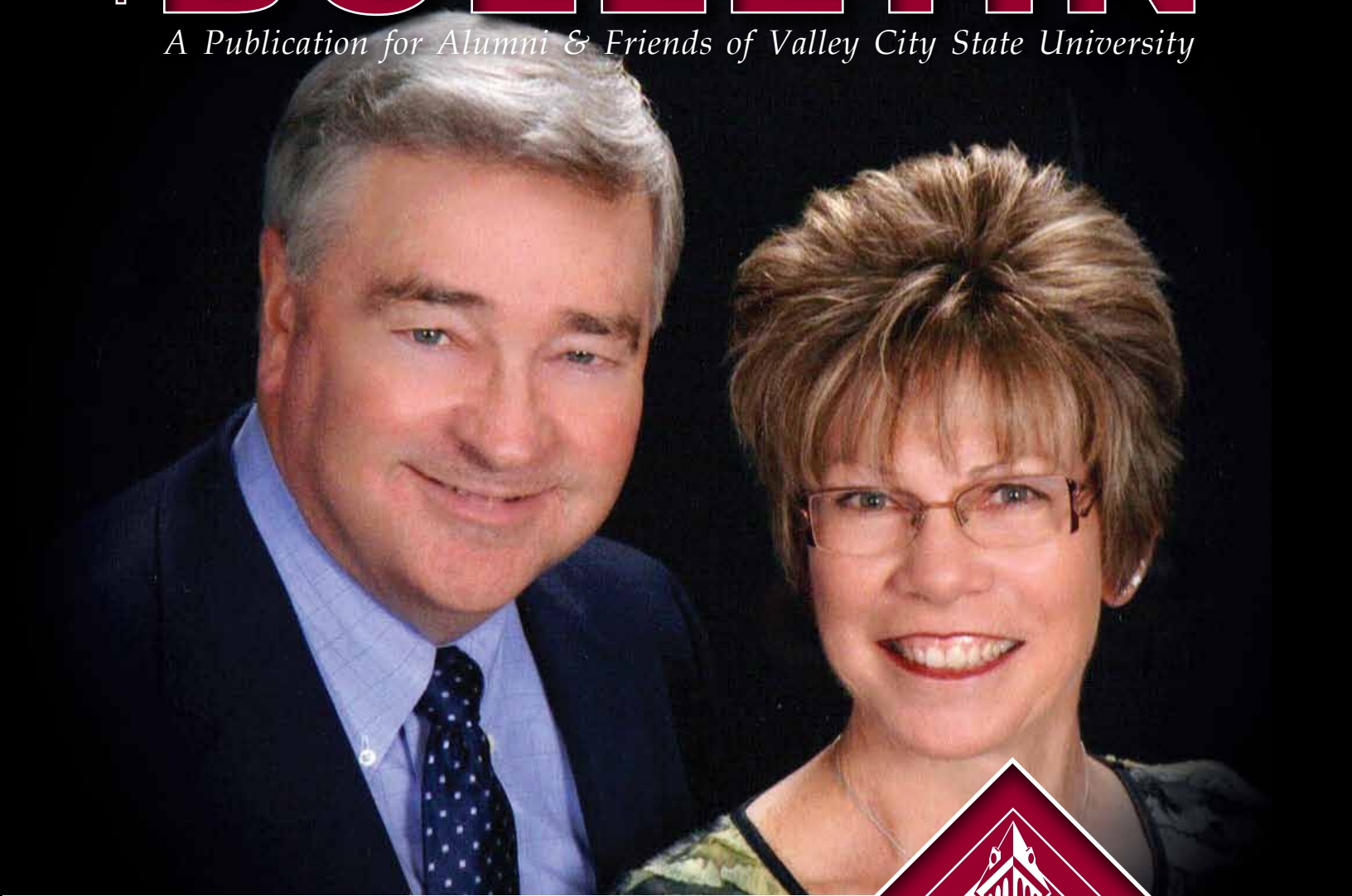


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Many of the students who knew him well did so under somewhat awkward circumstances: the many responsibilities handled by Glen Schmalz '75 included correcting student misconduct at VCSU. But after 34 years overseeing a wide range of student services, it is a safe bet that Glen had either a direct or indirect impact on thousands of VCSU students. Read this article to see what's next for Glen and Sharon (Kuhn) '75 as they explore new opportunities.



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It has been a busy winter for VCSU's online Master of Education program. First, the program was nationally ranked by U.S. News in its first-ever edition of Top Online Education Programs. Then, the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) recognized the LIT concentration as a quality school librarianship program. See these articles for the details on the latest recognition for VCSU's teacher education program.

12 Another huge season for men's and women's basketball

The Viking women did it again: an outstanding season with thrilling finishes that culminated in another trip to the NAIA national tournament – the second in as many years. The Viking men also had their share of amazing games and were ranked as high as 17th in the nation, but missed their trip to the national tournament by one spot in the final bid. Check out Viking Highlights for the details on yet another incredible season of Viking buckets plus previews of the Spring sports.

ON THE COVER:

After 40 years of marriage, Jerry and Marie Topp have covered a lot of ground together, and they credit some of their success to their backgrounds in education that began at VCSU. In this issue of The Bulletin, we profile three alumni couples who brought romance to campus and, like the Topps, have gone on to careers that made a difference.

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NEW ALUMNI DIRECTORY COMING SOON!

In an ongoing effort to stay connected with fellow alumni and promote Viking networking opportunities, Valley City State University will partner with Harris Connect Publishing Co. to produce an alumni directory. In the coming months, Harris will begin a campaign to contact as many VCSU alumni as possible for verification of information. Alumni should expect postcards and/or emails from Harris requesting verification of graduation information, class year, college achievements, and current career information. The directory will include alumni, academic, and business information about VCSU graduates organized into easy-to-use sections. Everyone will be offered the option of purchasing the VCSU Directory in either book or CD format, but no one will be under any obligation to purchase material for inclusion in the publication.





Historic Times at VCSU

Dr. Steve Shirley, President

In this issue of *the Bulletin*, you will note that Jerry and Marie Topp are featured on the cover. The Topps have been long-time supporters of Valley City State University, and have contributed so generously of their time, talent, and resources over the years to their alma mater. Jerry currently serves on the VCSU Foundation Board of Directors, and has been honored with VCSU's Distinguished Alumni award. He has had a remarkable career and, indeed, is a most deserving Distinguished Alum! In addition to Jerry and Marie, you will see there are several alumni couples featured in this issue with stories of the exciting and successful career paths they have pursued.

In reflecting on all of the many successful alumni, friends, and supporters throughout the VCSU "Family," now is a good time to provide updates on several campus initiatives underway during these historic times at VCSU:

In October 2011, VCSU hosted a campus visit from an evaluation team of the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). The HLC is VCSU's accrediting body, and this visit was part of VCSU's ten-year re-accreditation process. Much work went into the preparations over the past two years leading up to the site visit, and I am pleased to report that VCSU has been recommended for a full ten-year accreditation renewal. This is excellent news! Also in the fall, VCSU was rated by *U.S. News & World Report* as the top-ranked public regional college in the Midwest for 2012. Both of these external evaluations solidify and validate the high-quality learning environment of which we are so proud at VCSU.

Fall 2011 enrollment of 1,384 students at VCSU set an all-time record, thereby breaking a 40-year old mark. This represents a 7.7% increase over Fall 2010, and the second-straight year with an incoming freshmen class in excess of 200 students – the first time that has happened in nearly twenty years. The trends are continuing in 2012 with the largest spring Semester enrollment ever recorded at VCSU with 1,306 students, an increase of 7% over Spring 2011. VCSU's Master's

enrollment is now at 159 students, and that enrollment has grown every year since the graduate program began seven years ago.

Significant progress has been made the past five months on the \$10.3 million expansion and renovation to Rhoades Science Center. As you know, this is the first major capital construction project of an academic building at VCSU in nearly forty years. The mild winter has allowed contractors to get a jump-start on the project. When completed, this will be the state-of-the-art facility in North Dakota for undergraduate science education. The entire project should be completed in Fall 2013 or early 2014.

VCSU student-athletes have had many successes this past year. In March 2011 and again in March 2012, the women's basketball team advanced to the NAIA national tournament; in Fall 2011 the football team advanced to the NAIA national playoffs; and in 2012 the Men's basketball team had a 20-win season and narrowly missed an at-

large playoff bid. It has been a long time since we have seen this level of national playoff activity and success in a twelve-month cycle. It is very exciting to watch and support these student-athletes and their coaches!

A number of continuing and new outreach activities have been held to maintain contact with VCSU alumni across the region and nation. Earlier this winter we held our annual reunion events in the Phoenix area. Additionally, "VCSU Tuesday" events have been held this year in Jamestown, Carrington, Fargo, and Bismarck. We also held "VCSU night" at the F-M Redhawks and Fargo Force games. We look forward to maintaining all of these traditions in the year ahead, and preparations are now underway for the annual scholarship auction in April. Thanks to everyone who supports VCSU and attends these events.

These updates are just a few of the many recent developments at Valley City State University. Alumni, supporters, and friends alike of VCSU should feel very proud about these successes. Please stop by anytime you are on campus, and as always...Go Vikings!

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VCSU Alumni Association Get-Togethers Spring & Summer 2012

Apr. 20	VCSU Scholarship Auction	Valley City
	5 pm Social, 6 pm Buffet Dinner, 7 pm Live Auction	
Apr. 24	VCSU Tuesday	Fargo
	Green Mill Restaurant – 5:30 – 7:30 pm	
June 2	Viking Golf Scramble	Valley City
	Country Club/Bjornson	
Aug. 7	FM Redhawks Game	Fargo
	Social at 6 pm - Game 7:02 pm	
Sept. 28 & 29..	VCSU Homecoming Weekend	Valley City

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VCSU Alumni Awards

by D.C. Lucas '96, Alumni Board President

As an educational institution, VCSU has regularly earned recognition as one of the best universities in its class by *U.S. News & World Report*. It follows that those who graduate from VCSU are well prepared for the world that awaits them after they leave our University. Being a part of the VCSU Alumni Association, I have had the pleasure of working with and sharing the accomplishments of those who attended our University. I have witnessed firsthand how these students have achieved success through diligence and purpose.

If we are to measure the accomplishments of our University, we must first look to those who

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demonstrate the core elements that have made our school regionally and nationally acclaimed. It has been said that the individuals who represent VCSU are ones that determine its character and values.

The Alumni Association has several awards we present during Homecoming including the Distinguished Alumnus Award, Alumni Service Award and the Certificate of Merit.

The **Distinguished Alumnus Award** recognizes VCSU alumni/alumnae who have achieved prominence in their chosen field of endeavor. The nominee must have received national or interna-

tional recognition and must have been identified as an expert in the individual's chosen field.

The **Alumni Service Award** was adopted by the VCSU Alumni Association to recognize alumni or university friends who have attained exceptional achievement in their careers and have made significant contributions to the University through dedicated service, promotion, financial support or other efforts.

The **Certificate of Merit** was adopted by the VCSU Alumni Association to recognize alumni for accomplishments, service or other noteworthy

honors.

In my capacity as being part of the

Alumni Association, I have had the opportunity to meet and collaborate with many current members of the VCSU family. Since graduating, I've come to realize that, as a system of general instruction, the people themselves are what makes VCSU a desirable destination for an education. Those who have distinguished themselves as alumni are the key to our future success and it is incumbent that we recognize them as such.

We encourage you to nominate individuals who you think have achieved success in their field. Forms for each award are available at <http://alumni.vcsu.edu/awards/>. ♦

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Memorialize a loved one - Establish an endowed scholarship

by Larry Robinson '71, Executive Director of University Advancement

Each and every one of us has lost loved ones over the course of our lifetime. Perhaps that person was a parent or grandparent, a brother or sister, a spouse, or a son or daughter. It may be a special friend or a teacher that had a great impact on your life. No matter who that special person was in your lifetime, perhaps it is time to consider establishing an Endowed Memorial Scholarship in his or her name. A scholarship of this type is an outstanding way to memorialize a loved one in perpetuity. The interest earnings on the fund will provide an annual scholarship allocation to a deserving student. The principal will remain intact forever. It is a "gift that keeps on giving."

We work with the donor(s) to determine the criteria for the scholarship award. Often the criteria include preference for an academic area of study, a geographic area, and others. Some donors include provisions for the scholar-

ship to be renewed to the same student for subsequent years.

The Endowed and Memorial Scholarship Program at the Valley City State University Foundation was established several years ago to provide a unique opportunity to memorialize a loved one. Since this program was founded, a growing number of individuals and families have elected to put in place a scholarship pro-

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gram to remember a loved one in their life or their family. The program requires a minimum investment of \$10,500. Often, the program is established over a period of time. For example, folks interested in establishing a scholarship may not have access to the full \$10,500 immediately. If that is the case, contributions

can be made over a period of time to grow the investment to the minimum requirement. Some families have elected to work toward the full \$10,500 over a period of two or three years. Once the full amount is in place, the scholarship is typically awarded a year later to allow for growth in the fund.

Once the scholarship allocation is made, the donors will receive notification of the name of the recipient of the scholarship. In addition, we host a lunch each year and bring the donor(s) and recipients together to meet one another. This has proven to be

a popular event for both our donors and our student recipients.

If you are interested in further information on the Endowed and Memorial Scholarship Program, contact the VCSU Foundation Office at 800-532-8641 x37203 or send an e-mail to larry.robinson@vcsu.edu. You may also visit us on the web at alumni.vcsu.edu. ♦



Foundation Office Welcomes Kasowski

The VCSU Foundation Office welcomed Alison (Zaun) Kasowski '06 to the staff as assistant director of annual giving effective December 1, 2011. Prior to coming to the Foundation Office, Alison worked over three years as an admission counselor in the Office of Enrollment Services at the University. She traveled to area high schools recruiting

students and awarding academic scholarships. Alison is a 2006 graduate of Valley City State University. She and her husband, Josh '05, are parents of a six month old son, Gray, and reside in Valley City. Alison will be responsible for the V-500 Scholarship Program and assist with other annual giving initiatives.

According to Larry Robinson, Executive Director of University Advancement, "Alison is a welcome addition to our staff. She brings with her a passion for VCSU and our community. She will fill an important role in our annual giving program."

"The V-500 Scholarship Program is near to my heart, as I received scholarship support when I was a student at Valley City State University," says Kasowski. "As an admission counselor, I saw how crucial scholarship money was in recruiting quality students to VCSU. While V-500 grows, we see enrollment growth, which is a great indicator that V-500 dollars are being put to good use. We couldn't do it without our Board of Directors and supporters of V-500. I am eager to see the V-500 program continue to strengthen and the product of that return." ♦

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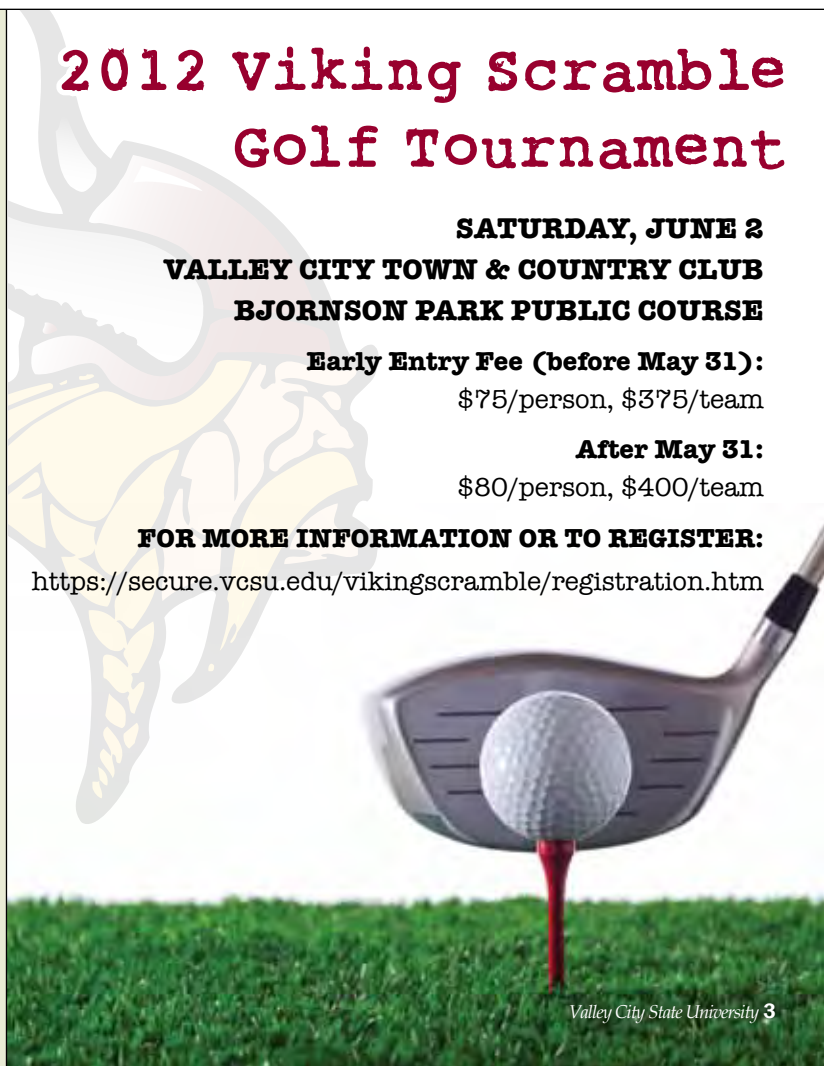
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VCSU Alumni Couples

Making a Difference

The stories of three "VCSU Couples" who met and fell in love at Valley City State University. From here, they have moved on to successful careers and have made a difference that impacted the lives of many others. We are proud to present to you these VCSU Alumni:

Jerry '74 & Marie '74 Topp ♦ Tim '81 & Barb '84 Kraft
Wayne '95 & Angela Triebold



Jerry '74 and Marie (Vining) '74 Topp:

From the classroom to the board room: Learning leadership through education

Both Jerry and Marie graduated from VCSU with degrees in education and began their careers in the classroom. But since then, they have taken their careers in decidedly different directions, and both have been active and remarkably successful in their chosen fields. They also both attribute much of their success to the skills they learned from teaching.



Born and raised just 15 miles apart in Grace City and McHenry, ND, their careers started by teaching and coaching in the small town of Braddock, ND. Now, nearly 40 years later, he is the managing partner and CEO of one of the largest accounting firms in the country, and she has touched the lives of hundreds of visually impaired students and helped them get along in this visual world.

At some level, their future was cast as high school sweethearts. Marie made her decision to attend Valley City State College mainly because her sister had gone there, but Jerry had other reasons. "I came to VCSU because I was basically following Marie."

While in college, both were involved in campus activities. Marie joined the Philos and Jerry became a member of the EBC fraternity. Jerry loved music and played several instruments including guitar, trombone, and piano. In fact, he was a member of a rock band, named "Reality" that played at high school dances. "We did a lot of Creedence Clearwater," said Jerry. "Rockin' Robin' kind of music." Jerry played guitar and the organ, and was the lead singer.

Marie came in knowing she was interested in majoring in Education, said Jerry. "I always kind of thought I'd be in engineering, but since VCSU didn't offer that, I kind of fished around to find a major I liked." After experimenting a bit, Jerry graduated with a major in Business Education and a minor in Mathematics. Marie graduated with Physical Education and Elementary Education. They were married in 1972 while still attending college. For their first job, they landed in Braddock where they both taught and coached, then Jerry moved on to Killdeer while Marie worked 30 miles away in Mandaree.

In 1977, they moved to Grand Forks when Jerry decided to pursue his Master of Accounting and Business Law at the University of North Dakota. Marie became the Physical Educa-

tion teacher at the North Dakota School for the Blind, but also took her first steps helping with visual impairment by spending time with students on braille and helping them complete their assignments. "When I started, I had no background in vision," said Marie. "It wasn't until 1985 that I got my vision certification from UND." Through other coursework from the University of Northern Colorado, Marie earned her certification in Orientation (the ability to know where one is and how to get to a desired location) and Mobility (the ability to navigate to the desired location) – essential skills for the visually impaired.

In 1978, Jerry landed his first job in accounting as a staff accountant with Eide Helmeke, a firm in Fargo that can trace its roots back to 1917. Marie worked as a teacher of the visually impaired (TVI) and brailist, and earned her Master's degree from the University of Saint Thomas through an outreach program offered at the Moorhead Public Schools.

In 1988, the couple moved to Aberdeen, SD when Jerry was put in charge of the Eide Helmeke audit practice there. Shortly after that, he was promoted to Partner. Meanwhile, Marie became a vision consultant serving public schools in the northeast corner of South Dakota. The couple moved back to Fargo in 1994 where Jerry would soon be promoted to be the Partner in Charge of that office. Marie was able to land her job in Fargo by simply calling the School for the Blind – "They were interested in setting up an outreach in Fargo, and the timing

Tim '81 and Barb '84 Kraft

"All in the family"



Since graduating from VCSU, they have lived and worked in seven different cities and towns and taught or coached at 11 different schools. In athletic competition, sometimes they have been allies and sometimes they have been adversaries. But everywhere they have been, they have had a tremendous impact.

Tim '81 and Barb (Woken) '84 Kraft met, fell in love and married while students at VCSU. Tim was in his Junior year, and Barb was in her Sophomore year, and both were basketball players during some great years for the Vikings. Tim played for the 1979-80 and 1980-81 conference championship teams (1980-81 went on to be inducted into the Viking Hall of Fame), and Barb played for one conference championship team and was recognized with All-Conference and All-District honors. "I guess we really got to know each other because of basketball," said Tim. "The men's and the women's teams would ride the same bus to all the away games, and we got to know each other pretty well."

During their time together, the couple has moved around more than most, but have stayed in North Dakota for all except one year. "You might say, we've been staying 'one step ahead of the law,'" said Tim. After Tim graduated in 1981, the couple moved to Dodge, ND, where he had a job teaching 7 - 12 Health, Physical Education and Social Studies. But they left Valley City before Barb completed her degree, and realizing that the longer they waited, the less likely it became that she would ever complete the degree, they decided to return. While Barb completed her studies, the couple became head residents at McCoy residence hall and Tim taught at St. Catherine's school.

After Barb graduated, the couple went on to

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was perfect," said Marie.

Over the next few years, Jerry's career continued to grow along with his firm. In 1998, Eide Helmeke merged with Charles Bailly & Co. to form Eide Bailly LLC. Two years later in 2000, Jerry was named Chief Operating Officer, and three years after that he was elected to the position of Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer. Under his leadership, Eide Bailly grew to be ranked by *Accounting Today* as the 24th largest CPA firm in the nation and as a "Top 5 Pacesetter" in Growth (March 2011).

One of Jerry's most significant contributions to the growth of his firm is a unique strategy for growth the firm designed and built called "Practicewise." Jerry said, "Practicewise is a set of practice management services we offer to other CPA firms... services like finance, sales and marketing, operations and management, that help them to focus on their clients and be successful. But because these core services are fairly central to the operation of the firm, Practicewise naturally became a means for us to form deep partnerships with these firms."

So deep, in fact, that Practicewise has become a key component of Eide Bailly's merger and acquisition strategy, and by extension, a key component of the firm's strategy for growth. "Through Practicewise, we've probably doubled the firm from about \$60 million to \$120 million over a five year period," said Jerry.

Despite the leap in size, Jerry doesn't see his role changing dramatically. "Through Practicewise, I've been largely focused on externally facing activities like mergers, acquisitions, and affiliations for some time," he said, "and going forward, about half of our growth will come from mergers and acquisitions."

Building these deep relationships with the Practicewise firms takes a lot of time and effort, so Jerry spends a lot of time on the road, and Marie plays an important role in that as

well. "Relationships are more than business activities," said Jerry, "and with Marie by my side, we can get to know the leadership of other firms at a more personal level. Her job is to travel with me and help me build these relationships." Marie adds, "I love that part!"

But spending so much time out of town means that Marie has had to step back from her role with the School for the Blind. "I've pretty much retired, but I still have a few clients that I work with."

Another component of Eide Bailly's strategy is a heavy community focus. Jerry said, "In all of our markets, we try to be actively involved and good stewards. This just makes a lot of sense: when you are in a professional services firm, our success depends on the success of the community. And when you piggyback off the success of the community, you darn well better be investing money back into the community!"

Jerry takes that to heart in his own life, as well. He has given to many causes including Valley City State University, the United Way, the American Red Cross, the Boy Scouts of America, the Fargo Public Library, North Dakota State University and the University of North Dakota. Jerry is on the Foundation Board of Directors and he delivered the Commencement Address in 2005. He was honored with the VCSU Distinguished Alumni Award in 2009.

In looking back, both Jerry and Marie attribute much of their success to the background in education and their early experiences in the classroom. Jerry said, "The skills I learned at Valley City really helped jump start my career. Early on, my visibility in the firm was elevated because I was responsible for teaching the partners and staff. This would not have happened if I were a staff accountant focused on individual clients... it happened because I knew how to teach. In business, it really helps to be a known quantity." Marie agreed, "When I was

consulting with public schools for the School for the Blind, I could build a rapport with teachers because I could talk about my experience in the classroom. That came from my education from Valley City."

Looking forward, the couple plans to stay active in business, but maybe spend a bit more time at their home at Jewett Lake. "It's kind of a forced retreat," said Jerry. "If I stay in town, I'll eventually find my way to the office, but that's not as likely when we are at the lake." They are both social golfers. For now, Jerry has no plans to get his rock band back together, but he hasn't ruled it out in the future. They have two sons, both married and living in the Twin Cities. They don't have grandchildren yet, but according to Marie, they do have "four grand-dogs," and for now, that will do!



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careers teaching and coaching in schools all around North Dakota. Their first stop was in the southwest corner of the state where Barb taught fifth grade at Scranton and Tim taught at Rhame. Separated by about 25 miles, the schools were rivals that frequently met in competition, so Tim and Barb found themselves on opposite sides of the court. Who came out on top seems to depend on who you ask: Barb said, "I'm sure the Scranton Miners had the better record," but Tim said, "I'm sure the Rhame Pirates had the better record."

After that, their careers have included stops at Turtle Lake-Mercer (six years teaching and coaching football, cross-country, girls basketball, and track), Central Valley (where Tim spent three years) and Mayville where both taught and coached basketball and track & field, and both had basketball teams qualify for state.

Most recently, they have spent the last 11 years at Central Cass, where they live close

enough to school to ride their bikes to school on a regular basis – even in the winter. Tim is also a school bus driver as he has been since 1980.

Their contributions have gone well beyond athletics into the classroom. In 1990 while at Turtle Lake, Barb was recognized with the Presidential Award in Elementary Science and Math Teaching, making her one of 100 teachers nationally to receive the award. She used the \$7,000 award to buy computers for all of the classrooms at a time when that was especially rare. In 1997, she was named Educator of the Year by the Association of Middle Level Educators of North Dakota. Her biggest honor came in 1999, when she received the Milken Foundation Educator award which came with an unrestricted award of \$25,000.

Meanwhile, their children have been making a mark of their own. After a stand-out high school basketball career at May-Port CG High School in Mayville, oldest son Travis was recruited to the University of South Carolina to play basketball, which prompted the family to

pull up stakes and move all the way to Columbia, SC. "That was both exciting and nerve wracking at the same time," said Barb. "We didn't have a problem finding jobs down there because they needed teachers, and even that far away, North Dakota was known for its great K-12 and higher education systems, so we were very marketable. We all landed at three different schools, and it was a good experience for all of us. I taught at an inner city school... the toughest and best year in my career, and the kind of experience you'd never have in North Dakota." Travis is now working for Magnum Trucking in Fargo as a human resources and safety officer.

Son Calvin '11 attended VCSU and played for the Viking basketball team from 2007-2011. He was a 1,000 point scorer and earned All-Conference honors for the Vikings. In the 2009-10 DAC Championship season, Calvin put up an impressive 40.7% shooting percentage and led the Vikings with 12.5 PPG. He has a number of appearances in the Viking record books

Wayne '95 and Angela (Mason) Triebold

A "chemical" attraction



Angela and Wayne met and began dating while Chemistry students at VCSU, thanks in large part to some prodding by Dr. Joe Stickler, Chair of the Division of Math, Science and Health & Physical Education. As a freshman, Angela was a writer for the campus newspaper, and Dr. Stickler suggested she write a story about Wayne, who had just completed an internship with Argonne National Lab. When she approached Wayne to set-up a time for

the interview, Wayne agreed, but when the time came around, he managed to change the subject – "He told me, 'it is such a beautiful day, let's go canoeing instead,'" said Angela. "Agreeing to the article was just his way of asking me out without actually having to ask me out."

Eventually, Angela did get Wayne's story. That internship at Argonne National Lab involved working on a project to clean up a Superfund site: an old explosives reclamation facility in Elwood, IL, where defective bombs were decommissioned and the explosive material

washed out and collected in a settling pond. Wayne's internship involved sampling soil and plants to determine how much of the material had been absorbed and what the impact had been over time. Certainly not a typical summer internship for a college student.

In addition to being an outstanding Chemistry student, Dr. Stickler had Wayne working on his other job: building the Medicine Wheel Park. Wayne's contribution was his skill with

a payload moving rocks or large amounts of dirt to help shape the landscape. The viewing mound, a substantial mound of rocks that rises above the medicine wheel itself to aid in viewing, is one of Wayne's projects and still a prominent feature of the park.

Wayne graduated in 1995 and went to North Dakota State University to work on a Master's degree while Angela continued to work on her degree. She never actually graduated from VCSU; instead, they were married and headed west to Forest Grove, Oregon where Wayne saw opportunity in the rapidly growing silicon industry. His first jobs involved working with purification furnaces, which led to visiting Germany for a few weeks to work at the parent company of the Portland, OR division to learn the operation of their purification furnaces, then return to the United States to assemble and operate the furnace at the new facility, and a subsequent role in manufacturing engineering.

As the silicon industry was quickly moving off-shore, Wayne began looking for other options, and settled as a business development manager with Toray Industries, a multinational organization that prides itself in "Innovation by Chemistry." His first role with Toray was in the sale of carbon-fiber paper used in hydrogen fuel cells, a technology sought after by some of the world's leading automobile companies for engines of the future that run on Hydrogen, but also in commercial use today in many other applications.

Wayne's role changed when Toray won a contract with Boeing to produce "prepreg" – carbon composite material used in the production of the new 787 Dreamliner. Since carbon fiber offers several significant advan-

including: #7 in Career Scoring (1,363), #1 in Career 3-Point Field Goals Made (322), #2 in Season 3-Point Field Goals Made (97 in 2010-11), #1 in Season Free Throw Percentage (.902 in 2010-11), and #2 Most Points in a Game (38 in 2009-10). He is currently teaching and coaching at Gackle and coaching Central Prairie. He is also following in his parents' footsteps by being engaged to another Viking basketball standout, Jacki Mitchell '11, who played for the 2010-11 DAC playoff championship team and was also a two-time NAIA Academic All American. They plan to be married this summer.

Finally, daughter Taylor played volleyball and basketball for Central Cass. Under her mom's coaching, the basketball Squirrels dominated during Taylor's career with a record of 84-11. Taylor was a leader in multiple categories including Career Scoring (1,699) and Career Rebounds (1,036). In 2011, the Squirrels finished second in the State Class B tourney, and Taylor was named to the All-Tournament team. She was a two-time All-State basketball player,

a Miss Basketball candidate, holds many records for Central Cass Girls Basketball, and is currently continuing her basketball career as a Dragon at Minnesota State University-Moorhead.

Now, after 28 and 30 years of teaching and coaching, Barb and Tim are beginning to see retirement on the horizon, and have started to scale back their schedules from the rigorous demands of coaching. Barb has retired from coaching, and Tim has limited his coaching duties to cross country in the fall. Tim is also officiating for basketball, which he describes as requiring a different demeanor or mentality. "I've been both in the stands and on the bench, so I know where the coaches come from. It has gone well so far and has been a good experience."

Both intend to continue teaching for the foreseeable future, and in fact, Barb is looking forward to the future of Education. "New things are coming to the field," she said, "and it is really starting to make sense. I am optimistic

about the direction education is taking and it's a good time to be putting more emphasis on the classroom."



Tim and Barb's son Calvin '11 and his fiancée Jacki Mitchell '11

tages over aluminum including less weight and improved resistance to corrosion and fatigue, it is rapidly replacing aluminum as the material of choice in the airline industry. For the new 787, Boeing is making the primary structure entirely from graphite or carbon fiber including the wings, the tail section, the fuselage, and floor beams. Wayne is an aircraft sales analyst: he sets-up the production plan to meet the sales forecast. Boeing and its subcontractors have already taken delivery of 3 million pounds of the material and have a backlog of orders for approximately 800 aircraft. Since Boeing is currently producing only three 787's per month, this job should keep him busy for quite a while.

Meanwhile, Angela had settled on optometry as her chosen career. Building on the work she had completed at VCSU in Chemistry, she completed her bachelor's degree in Visual Science from Pacific University, then went on to get her Doctorate. While in her fourth year, Angela had an internship with the Madigan Army Medical Center, a facility that offers comprehensive ophthalmic services. "It was amazing to watch people come in the day after surgery," said Angela. "To see their reaction when they could see clearly... It was like a Christian revival!"

The experience so impressed Angela that, after graduating and spending a year in private practice, she returned to Madigan to work in their refractive surgery area, where she still works today. Her role now is to examine patients to determine whether or not they are eligible for LASIK surgery and provide follow-up care for patients who have it. She also runs a specialty contact lens clinic for patients who have progressive eye diseases

that make wearing contact lenses medically necessary.

Though LASIK is often thought of as a cosmetic procedure used to avoid having to wear glasses or contact lenses, the Army takes the process very seriously. The patients that Angela sees at Madigan are primarily soldiers being prepared to deploy to combat areas, and in combat situations, the soldier's life depends on their vision. "If a soldier wears glasses into combat and they get lost or damaged, their sight can become basically useless just at the time they need it most. LASIK is a way to prevent that from happening."

For Angela, this is a source of tremendous career satisfaction. "I feel like I'm accomplishing something important... that I'm really helping people. That's why I got into optometry in the first place." As one example, Angela describes the story of one soldier who came into the program with very poor eyesight and thick glasses. "While he was deployed, his unit was hit by an IED blast, and in a separate incident, his helicopter was shot down. When he came back to us for follow-up after his deployment, he told us that if he hadn't had surgery, there is no way he would have lived through those attacks. We get stories like that all the time... we help soldiers stay alive and that's what keeps me going."

Wayne gets similar satisfaction from his career. "For me, it is being part of something new and different," said Wayne. "Carbon fiber has a lot of advantages over aluminum, but the biggest factor is resistance to corrosion and cycling fatigue – carbon fiber is better at absorbing all the flexing that aircraft are subject to, so it improves safety. It is a major step forward in aviation, and it is very rewarding to

be part of it."

In fact, aviation has been in Wayne's blood for a long time. Even before coming to VCSU, Wayne had his pilot's license and owned a Citabria, a small, two-seat airplane known for its aerobatic capabilities. In fact, his Citabria played a role in one of his first "change the subject" dates with Angela. "Instead of doing the interview for her article, I took Angela flying," said Wayne. "I knew that if she was still speaking to me after a few loops and hammer heads that she would be at least good for another date or two." Apparently, after nearly 15 years of marriage and two children (8 year old Anika and 6 year old Wyatt), the couple was heading for that – plus a lot more. ♥



Tharaldson '67 inducted into the National Softball Hall of Fame



Gary Tharaldson '67, Distinguished Alum, received softball's highest honor on November 9, 2011 as he and nine others were inducted into the National Softball Hall of Fame by the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) of America at the 31st annual celebration. Gary has dedicated much of his life to supporting ASA softball as a sponsor for not just one or two divisions but across the whole spectrum of ASA softball. He was a sponsor for 38 years of the Men's A, B and C Slow Pitch Divisions and supported five different levels of senior ball for a total of 24 years. Tharaldson sponsored women's teams for 15 years as well as both boys and girls Junior Olympic teams. His sponsored teams have participated in over 30 national tournaments. Outside of his teams, Tharaldson gave back by providing North Dakota state tournament trophies and banners for all divisions for 12 years. He also sponsored the North Dakota Hall of Fame Banquet for 10 years. Tharaldson has been a key component in keeping the upper division of the McQuade Charity Tournament going. Tharaldson was also a player during his time as sponsor winning two national championships and playing over 1,000 games as a pitcher. He had a best year record of 58-2 and a career batting average of over .600. ♦

Bob Gross '64 named to post in Abu Dhabi

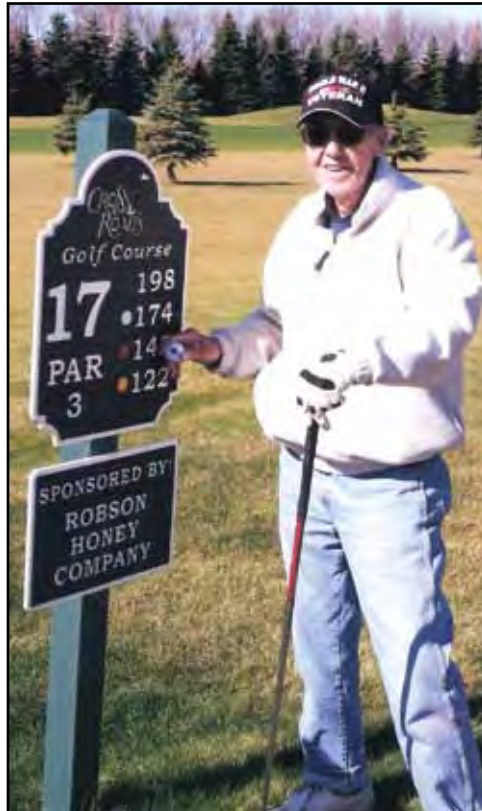
Bob Gross '64 has been named the 2012-13 interim superintendent of the American Community School of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

According to a press release issued by the ACS Board of Trustees, Bob rose to the top of a strong candidate pool from around the world. "He is passionate about education for our children, has a strong record of achievement, is committed to building and sustaining relationships with faculty and staff, has a reputation for actively engaging the entire community in dialogue, and has an enviable work ethic," the release states.

Bob began his career as a teacher in Waubun Public Schools, in Minnesota, where he later served as principal of the Junior/Senior High School. He then moved to Brainerd Public Schools where he held numerous leadership positions including superintendent, a position he held for 18 years. Bob became the superintendent of Singapore American School from 1999 until 2007. He currently serves as a regional educational officer with the Office of Overseas Schools, a division of the U.S. Department of State.

He has been recognized several times throughout his career including being named the International School Superintendent of the Year by the Association for the Advancement of International Education, the Regional Superintendent of the Year by the Minnesota Association of School Administrators, the Superintendent of the Year by the American Library Association, and the Brainerd Area Citizen of the Year. He received the Napoleon High School Outstanding Alumni Award in 2010 and the VCSU Distinguished Alumni Award in 2011. ♦

Roland "Pete" Peterson working on his third Ace



According to *Golf Digest* magazine, the odds of an average player making a hole in one is 12,000:1, and would likely require about 3,000 rounds in order to get one.

The magazine doesn't provide a figure for an average player doing it twice.

In October, 2010, Roland "Pete" Peterson '51 showed the world exactly how to do it by acing the 17th hole at CrossRoads Golf Course in Carrington, marking the second such accomplishment in his career. The first ace came in 1990 while he and his wife Mari Ann (McDonald) '52, '57 were living in Beaverton, OR.

But two aces are only part of his record. He made his ace in Oregon during a match for people who had undergone open heart surgeries (of which he has also had two). At age 84, his ace at Carrington made him the oldest person to get a hole in one at that course. And according to Pete, "I wasn't even trying!"

Golf Digest also doesn't quote the odds for an 84 year old player who has had two open heart surgeries nailing two aces without even trying.

After graduating in 1951, Pete married Mari Ann and they worked together to form the entire staff of a consolidated school in Svea, ND. Afterwards, they worked together in Kathryn, then moved out to Beaverton where they spent 30 years. They now live in Carrington, where Mari Ann is in a rest home. According to Pete, "I still like to go golfing whenever I can, and I always go with a friend. You see, with all the surgery I've had and when you get to be my age, you don't horse around too much!" ♦

Schmalz steps down as vice president for Student Affairs



l to r: Douglas Dawes, vice president of Business Affairs; Dr. Margaret Dahlberg, vice president of Academic Affairs; Glen Schmalz '76, vice president for Student Affairs; Dr. Steven Shirley, president.

VCSU's vice president for student affairs, Glen Schmalz '76, recently resigned his position, a move that was prompted when his wife, Sharon (Kuhn) Schmalz '75, was offered a career opportunity that required relocation to Fargo.

Glen has been involved with VCSU for 34 years. His responsibilities in Student Affairs included oversight of all student service programs outside of the classroom ranging from admissions and enrollment to helping students find jobs when they graduate. Despite the fact that these services impact literally every student who comes to VCSU, Glen's staff handled most of the direct contact with students. "The students who know me best came from the part of the job that involves student conduct issues," said Glen. "This required that I handle a lot of unpleasant situations, but I also got a lot of satisfaction from that part of the job – turning around a conduct problem and helping a student become successful. During events like Homecoming, I regularly run into alumni who remember their visits to my office, and it's rewarding to catch up with them and see the path they have taken in their lives. I've been at this for so long, that I've been dealing with the sons or daughters of people who I went to school with!"

Glen has served in this role since 1985 when he succeeded Harry Salisbury, who retired after spending 17 years as the Dean of Students.

Previously, Glen had served as the director of Student Academic Services (responsible for personal counseling, academic advising, and retention of students), an admissions counselor, and assistant coach for both football and baseball under Jim Dew.

Glen and Sharon met while students at VCSU. He enrolled as a transfer student in 1973 and participated in both Viking football and baseball for his junior and senior years. Under Coach Jim Dew's tenure, Glen received all conference accolades in both sports. After graduating, he taught at Saint Mary's High School in Bismarck for two years, then completed graduate school at UND. He returned to VCSU as an admissions counselor and was later promoted to the director of Student Academic Services. Meanwhile, Sharon had taught in Beulah, ND, then became the assistant manager at Job Service in Valley City and Jamestown for several years, and then joined John Deere Seeding in Valley City where she has spent the last 13 years, most recently as director of human resources. Glen and Sharon have two daughters: Brook, who lives in Omaha, and Blair, who lives in Los Angeles.

A nationwide search for Glen's replacement is underway, and is expected to be completed this Spring. ♦



Through the Student Affairs staff (many of whom are shown here), Glen was responsible for shaping many aspects of the student experience at VCSU ranging from admissions and enrollment to retention.

Rock Around the Clock

at the 18th annual
Valley City State University
Scholarship Auction



Rock to the 1950's
VCSU "Happy Days"
Style!

► Valley City Eagles Club

► Friday, April 20, 2012

5:00 pm - Social/Silent Auction

6:00 pm - Dinner

7:00 pm - Live Auction

\$35/ticket or \$60/two tickets

Ticket includes: dinner & 2 drinks

Four big chances to win!

Plus prizes for the best dressed!

Music provided by Big Hammer

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Hey Jack! The VCSU Scholarship Auction is coming up! We always have such a dreamy time there, can we go again this year?
Can we?!

You're right Anne, it is always a blast! Sure, we can go. Anything for my little Doll Face!



For more information and tickets call 701-845-7203

AASL recognizes VCSU's graduate LIT concentration

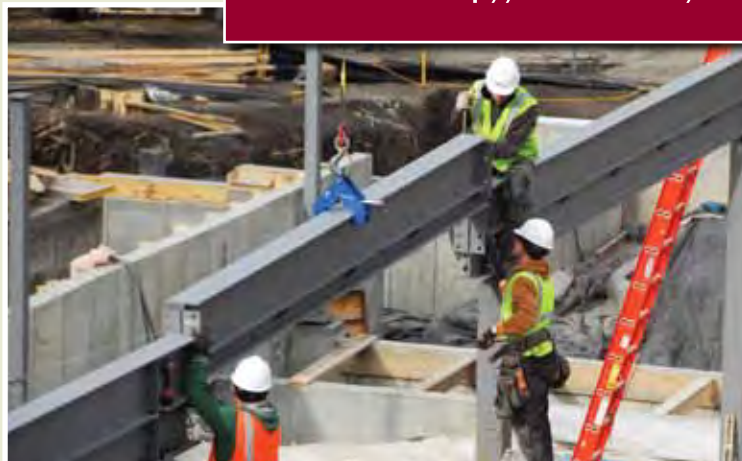
The American Association of School Librarians (AASL) division of the American Library Association (ALA) has recognized the Library and Information Technologies Concentration of VCSU's online Master of Education program as a quality school librarianship program. VCSU is the only university in a four-state region (MN, ND, SD and MT) with a nationally recognized program of this type. Carl Harvey, AASL president, said, "By virtue of their recent national recognition, VCSU's faculty and staff have positioned themselves as strategic leaders in 21st Century School Librarianship." ♦

Rhoades construction proceeding

It doesn't look like much at the moment, but work on the Rhoades Science Center expansion and renovation is making excellent progress. The unusually warm and dry winter that Valley City experienced has allowed work to actually get ahead of schedule, only to be slowed down again by unanticipated delays such as coming across previously un-mapped underground steamlines.

Some tenants of the current facility are already being affected: the ITC Help Desk has moved to a temporary home in Vangstad. This summer, no classes will be held in Rhoades to allow the addition to be connected to the existing facility. The entire project is expected to be complete by Fall, 2013. ♦

LIVE WEBCAM OF RHOADES CONSTRUCTION:
Keep-up with the latest developments on construction by visiting our live webcam available from <http://www.vcsu.edu/media>.



Apple making inroads to VCSU technology

Since the 1996 advent of the "laptop initiative," the Windows operating system from Microsoft Corporation has been the operating system of choice at VCSU. But in the last few years, technology from Apple Computer has been making its way into VCSU's technology arsenal.

Joe Tykwinski, Chief Information Officer at VCSU, said, "Apple's growing presence in the market coupled with the fact that certain industries have always been dominated by Apple computers made this inevitable."

The first devices actually came to campus Fall semester 2009, when VCSU distributed approximately 40 MacBook laptops to faculty who had requested them. "We used this as a trial," said Tykwinski, "to make sure they would work well in our technology environment."

When the next technology cycle began in Fall semester 2011, MacBooks were made available to faculty who requested them, but were also issued to students majoring or taking classes in designated subjects: Music, Art, Spanish, and Library Media and Information Science. This increased the number of MacBooks on campus to over 130 (20 of which were reserved for check-out) – a substantial increase from 2009, but still a relatively small presence compared to 1,032 Windows laptops on campus.

But Apple's inroads aren't limited to laptops. The Information Technology Center also purchased 30 iPad tablet computers and is making them available to be checked out for use in classes. Tykwinski said that VCSU graduates should have hands-on experience with iPads because it is increasingly likely that they will run into them when they graduate, particularly in fields like education. "Many public schools are using iPads in the classroom, so we need to give our students experience with them so they feel comfortable using them when they get into the field," said Tykwinski. The VCSU Library also has iPads available for check-out in addition to ebook readers, such as the Barnes & Noble NOOK, the Amazon Kindle, and an e-Book collection from Library2Go. ♦



Doug Dawes joins VCSU as vice president for Business Affairs



VCSU named Douglas Dawes to the position of vice president for Business Affairs. Dawes brings a background that combines higher education and private industry experience in finance, operations, capital budgets, human resources, information systems, facilities management, and project management.

As the vice president of Business Affairs, Dawes will be the chief financial officer of the University. His responsibilities will include developing and monitoring the operating and capital biennial and annual budgets, completing financial reports, developing the facilities master plan, recommending capital financing, and developing and executing strategic initiatives to further the VCSU 2015 strategic plan. He will oversee the Business Affairs staff and functions including financial services, budget, human resources, payroll, grants and contracts fiscal management, facilities services, and risk management.

Dawes comes to VCSU from Utah State University (Logan, UT) where he served as the executive director of Business Services (Facilities). His responsibilities included managing a \$22 million operating budget and managing the Facilities Business Office and key functions including payroll and capital improvement budgets. His previous experience includes the energy and contracting industries as well as five years with Ford Motor Company in various financial reporting and analysis roles. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant and holds a Master of Accountancy and a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Brigham Young University.

Dawes began his responsibilities at VCSU in February. ♦

Online M.Ed. gets national ranking by U.S. News

VCSU's online Master of Education program earned national rankings in *U.S. News & World Report's* first-ever edition of Top Online Education Programs. Appearing in the category "Graduate Programs – Education," VCSU's is the only program offered by a North Dakota college or university to be ranked in this category.

"This honor reaffirms the outstanding quality of our teacher education program and the national reputation the program has earned," said Dr. Steve Shirley, president of VCSU. "Our faculty and staff have worked tirelessly in building a program that is highly accessible, is of high quality, and meets the needs of education professionals throughout North Dakota and beyond. This latest national recognition is a clear sign of their success."

In this first year of publication, *U.S. News* surveyed all 1,053 regionally accredited institutions it determined offered at least one master's level program in education in 2010. It only considered programs with at least 80 percent of their course content available online and which could supply a full academic year's worth of data (161 institutions). The ranking indicators applied some of the standards used for traditional schools plus new measures specific to online programs. The indicators in which VCSU's program received a national ranking include:

- Student Services & Technology (ranked #51)
- Faculty Credentials & Training (ranked #57)
- Student Engagement & Accreditation (ranked #53)

More information on the rankings is available at <http://www.usnews.com/education/online-education/education>.

VCSU became a graduate degree granting institution in 2005 and its graduate enrollment has grown every year since. VCSU's Master of Education is fully accredited and is offered 100% online to meet the needs of practicing teachers. Available concentrations include Teaching and Technology (with options in English Education, Elementary Education, Teaching & Learning and Music Technology), English Language Learners, Library and Information Technologies, and Technology Education. More information about the program is available at www.vcsu.edu/graduate. ♦

New majors in health-related fields

Two new major programs of study are extending VCSU's offerings in health-related fields.

"Like many states, North Dakota is facing a shortage of healthcare professionals, particularly in rural areas," said Dr. Steve Shirley, president of VCSU. "This is one reason we have been investing in our health-related programs for some time now. In the last 10 years, the number of VCSU students expressing interest and majoring in health-related fields has increased considerably."

The new Medical Laboratory Science major is designed for students who are interested in any of several careers in clinical laboratory science. The program is offered through collaboration with the University of North Dakota; students pursuing this course of study will complete their first three years on the VCSU campus in a curriculum aligned with the UND Clinical Laboratory Science program. A summer program at the UND campus and one year of clinical experience at a medical laboratory in North Dakota completes the program. The program is accredited by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS).

VCSU's Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training is designed for students interested in pursuing a career in athletic training or related fields. The program is unique in that it involves five semesters of clinical experiences to give students substantial on-field experience prior to graduation. Upon graduation, students will be prepared to become a Certified Athletic Trainer by completing the Board of Certification Exam (in addition to meeting national, district and state requirements). VCSU is currently seeking accreditation through the Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education (CAATE).

Both programs are offered through VCSU's Division of Mathematics, Science and Health & Physical Education, and will be offered beginning Fall semester, 2012.

VCSU's most recent addition to its health related majors came in 2004 when the Health Science major was first offered. Like the Health Science major, the new programs are well-suited to students who intend to pursue additional study in graduate or professional programs. Currently, the University's Rhoades Science Center is undergoing a major \$10.3 million expansion and renovation that will be complete by the Fall semester, 2013. ♦



Women's basketball earns back to back national tournament appearances

If you ask the VCSU women's basketball team about the 2012 season, they will undoubtedly be proud and disappointed. Proud that they automatically qualified for the national tournament; disappointed they didn't get to 20 wins by defeating #3 College of the Ozarks in the first round.

"I'm very proud of this group of student athletes," said Head Coach Jill DeVries. "They have dealt with a lot of adversity this season, and they didn't feel sorry for themselves, but instead saw it as an opportunity for young players to get experience."

With only two players from the 2011 national tournament qualifying team on the roster in 2012, many people had doubts about the lofty goal of returning to the national tournament for VCSU. The Vikings lost senior Mandi Bindas to an ACL tear in August and Kristin Bearstail left the team in November after five games. The upstart Vikings looked to junior Courtney Titus and sophomore Brittany Lehner to show them the ropes throughout the season.

"I think Courtney and Brittany did a great job of getting the new players in our program to understand the amount of hard work and commitment it takes to be a good college basketball team," commented DeVries.

It was a fantastic end to an up-and-down season for VCSU. The Vikings played its usual tough early season schedule including games against NCAA Division I NDSU, NCAA Division II MSUM, U of M, Crookston, U of

Sioux Falls and Minot State. That schedule prepared them to rattle off nine straight wins to a record of 14-8 before losing by one in overtime in the first of four meetings with the Jamestown College Jimmies.

After beating Dakota State, the Vikings dropped four in a row and it appeared that they wouldn't even qualify for the Association of Independent Institutions tournament. They went into playoff mode. They needed to beat Dickinson State at home, a team they had lost to in overtime a week earlier. They did so decisively. And, they needed to go on the road to Mayville State to insure the #4 seed in the conference tournament. Once again, the young Vikings got it done in decisive fashion.

The Vikings were short-handed with Katie Ralston out with a shoulder injury incurred in the Mayville game for the A.I.I. tournament. In spite of the loss of a starter, the Valley City State women's basketball team automatically qualified for their second consecutive NAIA Division II national tournament by beating Jamestown College 58-50 in the semi-finals of the A.I.I. tournament before losing in overtime to Cal. St. San Marcos 52-54 in the championship game.

The Vikings had an incredibly balanced team in 2012. They were led in scoring by Lehner's 11 points per game despite missing eight games due to a shoulder injury in November and December. Juniors Katie Ralston, Titus, Alyssa Hummel, and Allison Scherr averaged 10, 8, 8, and 6 respectively. Five freshmen contributed throughout led by Kelsey Hunter with just over 6 points per game. Freshmen Sadiqah Jihad and Sierra Even each averaged just under 6 points per game with Steph Pedersen just over 5 per game and Megan Trautman at 2 per game.

The Vikings return all 10 players from the 2012 roster along with red-shirt guard Mariah Smith (Maple Valley, ND) and redshirt forward Maja Cyrus (St. Paul, MN.)

"We are looking forward to returning to next year's national tournament and earning our first victory. We have a couple pieces of the puzzle to fill in, but these young players have had valuable experience this season, and the future of VCSU women's basketball looks bright," said DeVries. ♦



Men's basketball narrowly misses national tournament

The Vikings, who were ranked as high as 17th in the nation for two consecutive weeks, also received votes or were ranked in all 11 NAIA Division II men's basketball polls. But it was the last poll that left the Vikings looking in from the outside on the national tournament. Valley City State entered the Association of Independent Institutions Conference Tournament ranked 25th before a first round loss dropped them from the top 25 poll.

When the at-large bids for the national tournament were handed out, the Vikings were one spot from the final at-large bid. Two spots outside the top 25 and four votes higher than Valley City State, Eastern Oregon received the last at-large bid for the Men's Division II National Tournament, marking the third year in five seasons that the Vikings have finished inside the top 28 in the final ranking of the year, but leaving the Vikings narrowly missing the at-large bids every year.

Despite the disappointment of not participating in the post season championship tournament, Head Coach Jeff Kaminsky was proud of the accomplishments of the 2011-2012 Viking team. "I'm disappointed for our players and our staff," commented Kaminsky, "but I'm proud of the season we had. To win 20 games and be ranked in the top 25 for seven consecutive weeks is a testament to the quality season we had, and is a strong indication that our program has become nationally competitive on a consistent basis."

The Vikings began the season with a 2-3 record before winning 12 of their next 13 games, including an eight game winning streak. The win streak also included a championship of the University of Winnipeg Wesmen Classic Tournament, the first time a non-Canadian university won the tournament in over 35 years.

The Vikings win streak would be snapped on the road at NCAA Division II University of Sioux Falls on a last second shot. The Vikings would go on to win six out of their next seven including a classic versus rival Jamestown College when a 25 foot 3 point shot at the buzzer in overtime lifted Valley City State to victory.

Valley City State graduates only two seniors off their 20 win team: transfer Sylvester Walker (St. Paul, MN) along with guard and four year member Joe Bateman (Fort Lauderdale, FL).

With a core group of players returning, the Vikings will not only look again for another 20 win season in the 2012-2013 season, but to also make the NAIA Division II men's basketball tournament for the first time since 1987. ♦



2012 Spring Schedules

Events are subject to change without notice.
For updated dates, locations and times, please visit
<http://vikings.vcsu.edu>

Viking Baseball

Home Games in Bold

DATE	OPPONENT	# OF GAMES	TIME
Apr. 6.....	Dickinson State	2	1:00PM
Apr. 7.....	Dickinson State	2	1:00PM
Apr. 9.....	Northern State.....	2	2:00PM
Apr. 10.....	NDSU.....	1	5:00PM
Apr. 14.....	Jamestown College	2	1:00PM
Apr. 15.....	Jamestown College	2	1:00PM
Apr. 17.....	Concordia College	1	4:00PM
Apr. 21.....	Mayville State.....	2	1:00PM
Apr. 22.....	Mayville State	2	1:00PM
Apr. 25.....	UND.....	2	2:00PM
Apr. 27.....	DAC Tourney		TBA
Apr. 28.....	DAC Tourney		TBA
May 2-5.....	All Tourney		TBA

Viking Softball

Home Games in Bold

DATE	OPPONENT	# OF GAMES	TIME
Apr. 3.....	Jamestown College	2	3:00PM
Apr. 5.....	Bemidji State University.....	2	2:00PM
Apr. 6.....	Dickinson State University.....	2	1:00PM MST
Apr. 7.....	Dickinson State University.....	2	1:00PM MST
Apr. 9.....	Bemidji State University	2	TBA
Apr. 11.....	Minot State University.....	2	2:00PM
Apr. 12.....	Jamestown College	2	3:00PM
Apr. 17.....	U of Minn - Crookston	2	3:00PM
Apr. 19.....	Minot State University	2	2:00PM
Apr. 21.....	Mayville State University.....	2	1:00PM
Apr. 22.....	Mayville State University.....	2	1:00PM
Apr. 24.....	U of Minn - Crookston	2	3:00PM
Apr. 28.....	DAC Tourney (Portland, ND).....		TBA
Apr. 29.....	DAC Tourney (Portland, ND).....		TBA
May 3.....	NAIA National Qualifier (Columbus, GA)		TBA
May 4.....	NAIA National Qualifier (Columbus, GA)		TBA
May 5.....	NAIA National Qualifier (Columbus, GA)		TBA
May 19.....	NAIA National Tournament (Gulf Shores, AL)		TBA

Viking Golf - Men's & Women's

Home Games in Bold

Apr. 4-5	Dickinson State Inv.	12:00pm/9:00am
	Heart River Golf Course - Dickinson, ND	
Apr. 13.....	Jamestown College Inv.	9:00am
	Hillcrest Golf Course - Jamestown, ND	
Apr. 15-16 ...	Valley City State Inv.....	12:00pm/9:00am
	Village Green Golf Course - Moorhead, MN	
April 22-23...	NAIA National Qualifier	9:00am/9:00am
	Antelope Hills Golf Course - Prescott, AZ	

Ken Frenette named head coach for Viking cross-country and track & field



VCSU named Ken Frenette the head coach for the men's and women's cross-country and track & field teams. Frenette joins the Viking staff with over 23 years experience as head men's and women's

cross country coach at NCAA Division I Campbell University in Buies Creek, NC.

Jack Denholm, athletic director at VCSU, said, "We are extremely excited to hire someone with Ken's ability and Division I experience in cross-country and track. His record of success both athletically and academically while at

Campbell University make an outstanding fit for the priorities of Viking athletics."

"I am honored and excited to be given the opportunity to be the head coach of Track & Field and Cross Country at Valley City State University," said Frenette. "I want to thank Mr. Denholm, VCSU president Steve Shirley, and the search committee for giving me their vote of confidence and placing their trust in me to guide the track & field and cross country programs. It is also with great anticipation that I look forward to working with both the athletes and coach Brohmer in the years ahead."

Under Frenette's tenure, Campbell's men's and women's cross country teams claimed 13 top-five finishes each during 17 years of competition in the Atlantic Sun. Campbell athletes earned all-conference honors in cross country 50 times under Coach Frenette. On the track, his distance runners brought home 113 all-conference accolades.

A four-time conference cross country Coach of the Year honoree, Coach Frenette also

served as Director of the middle and long distance program in the spring, instructing Campbell's distance runners during the indoor and outdoor track & field seasons. He competed in the 1992 Olympic trials and represented Canada in the 1991 Panamerican Games finishing 6th in the marathon. As a student, Frenette was one of Campbell University's top distance runners from 1984-88 when he clinched the Big South Conference cross country individual championship twice. He continues to hold three Campbell records. A certified USA Level II Track and Field coach in the middle and long distance events, Coach Frenette earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education from Campbell University.

As head coach, Frenette's responsibilities will include scheduling of competitions and practices; recruiting, coaching, mentoring and retaining student athletes; monitoring annual budgets; supervising assistant coaches; fostering strong alumni relations and meeting all institutional, and NAIA rules and regulations. ♦

Track and Field preview

The VCSU track and field season is underway. This season looks to be promising for the Vikings as they take to the track for the second year since the rebirth of the program. The team has two returning NAIA national qualifiers from the 2011 indoor and outdoor championships. Wayne Engelhard, who ran a 1:56 in the 800 meters, is looking to return to NAIA championships and improve upon his performance from last year by achieving All-American status. Also returning from last year is Amber Volanti – she is fired up and anxious to return to the NAIA championships as she fell just shy of becoming an All-American last season with a throw of 132' in the Javelin. Amber has been preparing diligently and will let nothing stop her from becoming an All-American.

Also returning to the team this season are Anna Fuka, Summer Romine, Richard Wright and Tanner Hovland. In addition to setting five school records last season, Anna plans to set and/or break several more this season and make a run at qualifying for either the indoor or outdoor national championships in anything from the 600 meter to the 1500 meter. Summer, the only returning high jumper, cleared 5'2" last season, just one inch away from the B standard (5'3") for the NAIA championships. She hopes to clear it this season.

Richard Wright is looking forward to a productive season in the 3,000 meter and 5,000 meter after coming off a successful cross country season in which he was the team MVP. Tanner, who is also coming off a very successful cross country season, started his track season well at the Super 8 Classic where he ran a 2:04 in the

800 meters. He will also be a part of a 4 x 800 meter team that could have a shot at qualifying for the NAIA championships. The rest of that 4 x 800 team will consist of Eric Schauer, Wayne Engelhard, and Casey Flick.

The program has several new additions as well. Jesse Dorado and Jose Garcia both come from Riverside College and look to make a big splash for the Vikings in anything from the 3,000 to the 10,000 meter. Jermaine and Justin Erby who come from Sacramento, CA, both look to add some strength to the already pretty strong sprint group. These two, plus Derek Elliot and Philip Reuer, look to improve upon last year's 4 x 100 meter performance of 43.5.

Lisa Oliveras, who comes to VCSU from DeAnza College, will be the leading runner for the women's team in the Heptathlon/Pentathlon. Lisa scored 3,500 points in the Pentathlon last season for DeAnza which qualified her for the NJCS meet in California. The biggest new addition to the program is Darien Moore, who comes from Bakersfield College where he was a NJCS Champion in the hammer throw with a throw of 190'0". Darien has also started off this season well;

he has already qualified for NAIA Nationals in the weight throw with a toss of 55'0" and should qualify in the shotput as well.

As a team, the VCSU track and field program looks to score in half the events at the conference meet which will be held at Dickinson State University. The goal is to break several school records and have at least three athletes qualify for the indoor and outdoor championships. From the looks of it, the season should meet those goals and then some. The VCSU track program might be young but it is certainly up and coming. ♦

2012 VIKING TRACK & FIELD SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location
Apr. 6	Northern State Invitational	Aberdeen, SD
Apr. 13-14	Bison Classic	Fargo, ND
Apr. 20	Dickinson State Invitational	Dickinson, ND
Apr. 24	Cobber Twilight	Moorhead, MN
Apr. 28	Al Cassell Relays	Jamestown, ND
May 5	Ron Masanz Invitational	Moorhead, MN
May 12	Dickinson State Invite	Dickinson, ND
May 24-26	NAIA Outdoor Championships	Marion, IN

Events are subject to change without notice.
For updated dates, locations and times, please visit
<http://vikings.vcsu.edu>



Baseball season preview 2012

The Viking baseball program enters its first season in the Association of Independent Institutions (A.I.I.) with high hopes of continued improvement from last season's 12 win team. In 2011, VCSU demonstrated that the Vikings were a team on the rise as they had five All-Conference performers, the Freshman of the Year, eight DAC scholar athletes, and two NAIA scholar athletes.

The 2012 campaign will bring a new experience and challenges for the Vikings as they will be competing in the A.I.I. which is a group of 15 baseball teams throughout the country that will be battling for two births into the national tournament. The top six rated teams advance to the A.I.I. tournament in San Marcos, California, and the top two finishers in the tournament advance to the national playoffs.

Top position returners for the Vikings are Josh Evans (SR, Hayfield, MN), Cliff Vazquez (JR, Tucson, AZ), and Preston Jensen (JR, Valley City, ND). Both Evans and Jensen were 2nd team All DAC choices in 2011. Evans followed his record setting 2010 season with another outstanding year in 2011. He finished the season with a .375 batting average and led the Vikings in steals with nine. Jensen had a break out year at the plate leading the team in hitting with a .385 batting average. Vazquez is the defensive leader in the outfield patrolling center field and added a solid season at the plate hitting .351 in his Sophomore year.

Leading the Vikings on the mound will be Taylor Nelson (SR, Ramsey, MN) and Colin Waldner (JR, Altona, MB). Nelson was a first team All DAC pitcher in 2011. He also led the Vikings in wins (5), innings pitched (43), and strikeouts (34). Waldner returns as the club's closer, a job he took over in 2011. Waldner led the Vikings in ERA (3.86), saves (2), and BA against (.253).

The Vikings opened the season February 20 and 21 in the Metrodome in Minneapolis against NCAA Division II University of Minnesota, Crookston and Division III St. Johns University. The Vikings then traveled to Fremont, Nebraska for four games against Midland University. The early season schedule concluded with the Vikings standing at 6-10 after eight games in Tucson, Arizona against teams from around the country. ♦



Viking softball looks to build on successful season

The Valley City State University softball team returns 14 letter winners off a team that claimed stake to the highest ever Dakota Athletic Conference (DAC) regular season finish for a Viking softball team. With that experience and a talented group of incoming freshman, the Vikings look forward to a successful first season as a member of the Association of Independent Institutions (A.I.I.).

The Vikings finished third in the regular season DAC standings last spring with a 12-5 record. They were the only team to beat the top two teams in the conference. That success and the number of returning starters have the bar set high for the upcoming season.

With a senior class of six student-athletes, the Vikings have great leadership from the top. Cyndi Figol (Brandon, MB), Jen Shadlock (Brandon, MB) and Jane Pettit (Rushford, MN) have all been starters in their first three years at VCSU. Katie McBride (Grand Rapids, MN) and Emma Nelson (Grand Rapids, MN) were both junior college transfers last season that gave the Vikings a great pitching/catching combination, and junior, Sara Gullickson (Spiritwood, ND) has been the primary speed weapon for Valley City State in her tenure as a Viking.

The junior class is also filled with returning starters. Hilary Kulczewski (Windsor, CA) was the leading offensive producer for the Vikings last season and will provide that same punch in the middle of the lineup this season. Shortstop Adrianna Boychuck (Portage La Prairie, MB) returns from a knee injury that shortened her season last year and she once again will anchor the defense in the infield. Lone junior outfielder Hayley Bevan (South Surrey, BC) has been a mainstay in right field since her freshman season and has improved every season.

The sophomore class provides athleticism and versatility for the Vikings with many being able to play multiple positions. Stephanie Lahey (Calgary, AB), Caitlin Giesbrecht (Winnipeg, MB), Liz Hall (North Pole, AK), Courtney Shadlock (Brandon, MB) and Brittany Lehner (Watertown, SD) all provide great depth on defense and in the offensive lineup for the Vikings.

A talented group of freshmen will keep the Vikings moving in the right direction and push the returning players in practice and on the field. Mackenzie Hamre (Enderlin, ND), Paige Brandvold (Valley City, ND), Savannah McMillin (Roseville, CA), Shayna Taffinder (Delta, BC), Kati Reisenauer (Evansville, MN) and Chelsea Anderson (Casselton, ND) all bring something to the lineup and team for the Vikings. Speed, power and pitching make this class a great asset for Valley City State.

As a new member to the A.I.I. conference, the Vikings will look to be in the top six of the A.I.I. rankings at the end of the month of April in hopes of making the conference tournament in Columbus, GA. Valley City State was ranked fifth in the pre-season conference rankings last November. The A.I.I. National Qualifying Tournament will send the top two teams to the NAIA National Tournament in Gulf Shores, AL. ♦

Three VCSU Art Alumni exhibit work at DK Gallery In Fargo

Prairie Trifecta - Exhibition of Molly McLain '06, Jessica Christy '07, and Sabrina Hornung.



Three VCSU alumni formed a trifecta of North Dakota artists, who connected in Valley City during their junior high years and reconnected after attending VCSU.

The artists went their separate ways, but reunited at art events throughout the state and at their exhibition. Their work is not col-

lective, but rather, individual, and they find their work parallels the region filtered through their own lens of interpretations.

Sabrina Hornung, who attended VCSU in 2010 as an art education major, has developed a group of work that is an illustrative, whimsical narrative of prairie folk songs, folklore, and North Dakota history. Molly McLain, a 2006 VCSU art major and graduate, focuses on corporate agriculture in the Midwest. Jessica Christy, a 2007 VCSU graduate with a composite degree in art and an Master of Fine Art from UND, takes on the juxtaposition of Native culture and American society.

The Exhibition opened on January 13 and ran through the month. DK Framing and Gallery is on Roberts Street in downtown Fargo. ♦

International Mezzotint Exchange exhibition visits VCSU Gallery



Nest, a mezzotint by Serbian printmaker Snezana Petrovic was one of the works included in the International Mezzotint Exchange Exhibition that is traveling throughout the region and was installed in the Valley City State University Art Gallery in January and February. Twenty-four mezzotint images, created by artists from ten countries, were included in the exhibition. The artists are all members of the International Mezzotint Society (I.M.S.) and participated in the 2011 membership print

exchange. Each printmaker created a mezzotint edition of 25 prints exchanging their work with the other artists and donating one impression to be exhibited. Several of the printmakers in the exhibition were also invited to exhibit their prints in the International Mezzotint Festival in Ekaterinburg, Russia during the summer of 2011.

Mezzotint printmaking was invented by German artist Ludwig von Siegen in the 1600's and was extensively used by artists and craftsmen up to the early twentieth century when other printmaking techniques became more popular. In the last 20 years it has experienced a resurgence.

The I.M.S. was established in 1997 by Dr. A. David Crownand to share enthusiasm and information, and spread knowledge of the technique and its history to other artists. VCSU Professor Linda Whitney, an IMS board member, curated the exhibition and travelled the work to the Bismarck State College Art Gallery; the Red Door Gallery in Wahpeton; the Minot State University Art Gallery; Gallery 126 at Dawson Community College, Glendive, MT; and the ART Lab Gallery, Staten Island, NY. ♦

PERFORMING & FINE ARTS March 2012 - May 2012

PERFORMING ARTS:

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| Apr. 1 | Sarah Rhyan, pianist & two sopranos..... | 3:00 pm |
| | Taryn Wallace & Katelin Wadeson | |
| | Froemke | |
| Apr. 2 | Student Recital..... | 7:30 pm |
| | Froemke | |
| Apr. 5 | Region 5 Vocal Contest | |
| | Foss Hall | |
| Apr. 11 | Region 2 Instrumental Contest | |
| | Foss Hall | |
| Apr. 16 | Student Recital..... | 7:30 pm |
| | Froemke | |
| Apr. 21 | Valkyries & Valley Voices | 7:30 pm |
| | Froemke *** | |
| Apr. 23 | Chamber Ensembles | 7:30 pm |
| | Froemke * | |
| Apr. 26 | Jazz Ensemble | 7:30 pm |
| | Vangstad * | |
| Apr. 27 | VCSU Band Concert | 7:30 pm |
| | Vangstad * | |
| Apr. 29 | VCSU Choir & University Singers..... | 7:30 pm |
| | Epworth Methodist Church *** | |
| May 3 | Composers Concert..... | 7:30 pm |
| | Froemke | |

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| May 6 | CSA Recitals | 2:00, 4:00 pm |
| | Froemke | |
| May 7 | Garage Bands..... | 4:00 pm |
| | City Park or Vangstad | |
| May 10 | VCACA: Metales M5..... | 7:30 pm |
| | Vangstad+ | |

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FINE ARTS:

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| Mar. 19-Apr. 20 | Peter Beaugard, Artist/Designer Exhibition |
| | VCSU Gallery |
| Apr. 23-May 4 | Spring Student Exhibition |
| | VCSU Gallery |
| May 4 | Spring Student Exhibition Reception..... |
| | 5:00-6:00 pm |
| | VCSU Gallery |

Levy directs her last Christmas at St. Kates performance



Saint Catherine's Catholic Church, Valley City, was the scene December 1, 2011 for the final *Christmas at Saint Catherine's* concert to be directed by Dr. Leesa Levy, Director of Choral Activities at Valley City State University. Ensembles featured in the outstanding evening of choral literature were the VCSU Concert Choir, University Singers, and Valkyries. The annual concert highlights the Christmas season through the choral music of the vocal ensembles at Valley City State University. This year, two VCSU alumni, Brad Lambrecht '05 of Alexandria, MN, and Casey Behm '11 of Wyndmere, ND, joined the program. Lambrecht is the orchestral director at Jefferson High School in Alexandria where he has helped develop the

orchestral program community-wide. The Rainbow Strings ensemble, which Lambrecht conducts, accompanied VCSU's Concert Choir on *Sancta Maria mater Dei* by W.A. Mozart. Also accompanying the Mozart selection was Casey Behm on organ. Behm is now the instructor of music at Wyndmere School District and was a piano major at VCSU. Behm's keyboard skills were highlighted on another selection, Fauré's *Cantique de Jean Racine* also performed by the Concert Choir.

In addition to this literature, the Concert Choir performed three other selections by regional composers: *Stars I Shall Find* on a moving poem by Sara Teasdale set by David Dickau, choral conductor and composer at

Minnesota State University, Mankato; *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day*, by Minneapolis composer and publisher, J. David Moore; and *Little Town of Bethlehem* by Minneapolis composer and choral director, Matthew Culloton. The choir ended the concert with *Sanctus* by Marc Hafso.

The VCSU Valkyries, a select women's ensemble, highlighted three other selections by regional composers. *Let Us Sing!* a Christmas song composed by Linda Tutas-Haugen of the Twin Cities that was accompanied by William Sieling of Alexandria, MN on viola and VCSU music education major, Katelin Wadeson on vibraphone. Joshua Shank, who just moved to Texas from the Minneapolis area, is the composer of *Three Night Songs*, the second selection performed by the Valkyries. *Pat-a-pan*, the Valkyries final selection, was arranged by Luther College faculty member, Sandra Peter. The University Singers performed three selections by composers with ties to the region: *O Magnum Mysterium* by Twin Cities composer Robert Sieving, *The Stars Stand up in the Air* by Eric William Barnum, and an arrangement of Holtz' reflection on Christmas, *In the Bleak Midwinter* by Abbie Betinis.

The choir had just finished a two-day tour to Barnesville and Battle Lake, MN and Casselton and Valley City, ND on November 22-23. Members of the three choral ensembles and Quantum Brass, the new VCSU brass quintet, made a recruiting, service and performance tour to Seattle, Washington March 8-16. Donations to support the students on the tour are gratefully appreciated and can be made by contacting Kim Bomstad at the VCSU Business Office (701-845-7237).♦

Choral and brass ensembles tour Pacific Northwest

The VCSU Department of Music took their talent on a nine day tour that included stops ranging from Bismarck to Seattle and Vancouver. The group of approximately 40 musicians represented three vocal ensembles and a recently-formed brass quintet.

The VCSU Concert Choir, a non-auditioned choir with members from several degree programs, performed "The Road Not Taken" (from *Frostiana*) by Randall Thompson, *My Soul's been Anchored in the Lord* by Moses Hogan, and *Lamentations of Jeremiah* by Z. Randall Stroope.

The VCSU Singers, a high-octane ensemble of vocalists chosen from the Concert Choir or by audition from across the campus, performed *Ecco Mormorar L'onde* by Monteverdi, *The Stars Stand up in the Air* by Eric William Barnum, and *Now Our Meeting's Over* by Jocelyn Hagen, among other composers.

The VCSU Valkyries, an all-female ensemble developed in fall 2010, prepared a number of

selections including *Three Nightsongs* (1. Evening 2. Moon Song 3. Water) by Joshua Shank, *How the Flowers Came* by Eleanor Daley, and *The Rose of Sharon* by Thomas Juneau.

The Valley Voices Women's Choir, open to women in the greater Barnes County area, performed *Turn Around* by René Clausen, *Will the Circle be Unbroken*, arranged by J. David Moore, and *Set Me as a Seal* by Richard Nance. Members of the ensemble hail from the towns of Litchville, Valley City, Page, Tower City, Oriska and more.

The vocal ensembles are directed by Dr. Leesa Levy, the director of Choral Activities and Associate Professor of Voice at VCSU. Professor Jaime Namminga, faculty accompanist and piano Instructor at VCSU, provided the collaborative piano support for the choral ensembles.

The VCSU Quantum Brass, a select touring ensemble formed in 2011, performed a number of selections on tour including *Hun-*

garian Dance No. 5 by Brahms, transcribed by VCSU Director of Bands, Dr. James Adams; *Chorale Prelude "Vor deinen Thron tret' ich"* also transcribed by Adams; and *Three Traditional Spirituals*, arranged by Barnes.

In addition to several performance opportunities, the tour included educational and cultural enrichment opportunities, visits to local attractions, and a service project at a YMCA camp.

Since 2001, members of the VCSU Concert Choir have toured Oaxaca, Mexico; New York City; the Netherlands, London, and Canterbury, England; South Dakota, western Minnesota and numerous communities in North Dakota. The University Singers have performed regionally on tour and were featured at the 2009 NDACDA Showcase Concert in Bismarck. The Valkyries were the opening guest choral ensemble at the 2011 ND Music Educator's Association State Honor Choir Festival and Conference.



2012 Alumni Phone-A-Thon

The VCSU Alumni Association's annual Phone-A-Thon is one of our major activities of each academic year and allows our alumni to show their Viking Pride in supporting our University. Donations allow us to stay in touch with our alumni in several important ways including publication of *The Bulletin*, hosting socials and reunions, sponsoring alumni awards programs, and supporting programs on the campus of Valley City State University. The Phone-A-Thon also provides scholarship support to our current students attending VCSU. By supporting the annual Phone-A-Thon you can help VCSU achieve our strategic initiatives underway to move VCSU forward.

To pledge your support to the Phone-A-Thon, please contact Kim Hesch at 1-800-532-8641 ext 37403 or donate online at alumni.vcsu.edu.

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 & Roger Erbes August 18, 2012

Vikings on the Move

1940's

Jeanette Ertelt '43 is pleased to say that she is doing well at the tender age of 87. She retired from the theatre and still lives in New York City in the middle of Manhattan looking out on the city from her apartment on the 16th floor. Jeanette still travels to Valley City nearly every year and always enjoys the beauty of her hometown. She says "hello to all VCSU alumni that might remember her."

Mildred Peterson '43 is 97 years old and first attended Valley City Teachers College in 1934-35, finally graduating in 1943. She taught for 37 years: seven in North Dakota and 30 in Portland, OR.

1950's

Raymond (Ray) Brooks '50 retired in 1992 from Winona State University (Minnesota) after serving on the faculty for 27 years. Ray was married to Audrey Mae Brush for 52 years. Audrey passed away in 2003. Ray and Audrey have three children: Kathy, who is an RN; Kari, the transportation director for the local public schools; and Kevin, a teacher in San Francisco. They also have four grandchildren who live in the Winona area. Ray was originally from Walhalla, and while attending VCSC, he roomed with **Tommy Kearns**, a fellow Walhalla native.

Leona (Geisler) Schober '50, '75 retired 20 years ago and lives in West Fargo since 1975. She has four sons that live in Arizona, South Carolina, Valley City and Fargo. Her husband died of cancer in 2001 so her church friends, two bible studies she leads, and quilting keep her busy. Leona feels blessed that God has given her pretty good health.

Roland "Pete" '51 and Mari Ann (McDonald) '52 Peterson will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary in June. They worked many years in education in North Dakota and worked as teacher, counselor and administrator in the Beaverton, Oregon school system from 1960 until 1994 when they retired and moved to Carrington.

Colleen "Coke" (Erickson) Aafedt '52 celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary to her husband, Ardean, in September 2009. Also that month, Ardean was inducted into the ND Parks & Recreation Association Hall of Fame. A new weight room and workout area, "The Coke Aafedt Fitness Zone" in "The Well" at Williston State College, was named for Coke giving the "extra effort and going the extra mile in creating new programs for students during her years at the college as the women's Phy Ed instructor." In April 2010, Coke became a great-grandma.

Kathleen (Sheldon) Boe '56, '61 has been retired for 15 years. She enjoys travel and says the Yukon Territory is wonderful.

Don Johnson '57 and his wife, Thelma, have six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; Jaren, age 2 who lives in Utah, and Faith, age 1 who lives in Oregon.

Melvin Lang '57 earned his PhD from University of Northern Colorado, following his graduation from VCSU. He taught mathematics for 33 years

and was the associate academic dean at Western Washington University for 10 years. He retired from teaching and accepted the position of chief fund-raiser and project manager for Rogers Elementary School at College Place, WA, raising \$6 million. Since 2007, he has been in the freshman mentor program at WWU, a program that Melvin started. Melvin is married and has 3 children.

Lowell Peterson '58 was superintendent of schools at Fingal for nine years and at McVile for 25 years. He and his wife, Mary, have lived in Valley City for about 12 years and have been married since 1951 - over 60 years! Lowell was very active in the EBC fraternity and was very involved in their "Hit Parade" for all four years of his time at VCSC. He graduated from NDSU in 1965 with a graduate degree in education. Lowell and Mary enjoy Valley City and all it has to offer.

Tilford '59 and Mary (Christensen) '59

Kroshus are still living in Wahpeton, ND. They have been married 52 years and have two married sons and 2 grandbabies: Joshua (3) and Ifeoma (17 months). Tilford and Mary spend their summers at their lake home.

Bob '59 and Deanne (Roseth) '60 Horne built a new home in south Fargo and moved there in mid-August after being flooded out by the June 2011 disaster in Minot. They are pleased to be living near their 10 year old granddaughter, Torina, and her parents, Dave & Shelley Horne. Deanne plans to retire from Minot Head Start in June and spend winters in Phoenix. Bob "retired" from the ND Senate in 2010. They are pleased to be closer to VCSU to take part in more University events. Come visit when in Fargo.

1960's

Carol (Graff) Goosey '62 taught for 3 years in Big Timber before moving to Livingston, MT, where she taught for 32 years. Carol is retired and living the good life. She is married to Lou and they have three grown, successful children and six grandchildren.

William Kelley '62 and his wife, Sylvia, have been married for 41 years. They live in Jamestown, ND, and have two children: son, Blair and wife Jessica have one daughter Natalie; daughter Tricia and husband Mike have two sons, Miles and Colin. William retired in 2001 after teaching for 39 years but still coaches the throwers for the Jamestown High School boys and girls track teams. In 2012, he was inducted into the ND Wrestling Hall of Fame.

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Mark Thomason '62 is a retired attorney married to **Barbara (Murdock) Thomason '66**, a retired teacher who was recently honored with the 2012 Breaking Barriers Award at the MN State Capitol at the National Girls and Women in Sports day for introducing girls tennis into the Park Rapids High School.

Gladwin Lynne '65 retired after 38 years with the MN State Park System. Gladwin is now concentrating on senior activities as a volunteer. He and his wife, Mary, plan to visit Europe this summer.

Carol (Meier) Baillie '67 retired in May 2011, after 52 years of teaching, 44 of which were in Wilton, ND. She also taught in Mott, Mandan, New Salem and a rural school in Pembina County. She still does some substitute teaching in Bismarck and helps her two grandsons.



▲ **Bill Coghlan '67** taught at various schools in Watford City, Grand Forks Red River and Mandan in ND, Aberdeen, SD, Kansas City, KS and St. Cloud, MN. He retired from teaching in 2010 and now works for Care Cab Transportation as a driver. His wife, Cate, serves as chancellor for the Diocese of St. Cloud. They have two grown children. Their daughter, Barbara, and her husband, Richard, live in Fargo with sons Coghlan (13) and Peyton (10), and both work for the Fargo school system. Their son, KJ, and his wife, Leah, live in Mandan with four children: Darian (11), Estella (7), Oliver (5) and Asher (3). KJ works for Rainbow Energy in Bismarck and Leah teaches at Bismarck State College. Bill & Cate look forward to moving back to North Dakota, re-connecting with old friends, and enjoying their families and grandchildren. After that, they will become snowbirds, God willing.

Myron Loberg '68 has traveled a lot these past several months. In September, he traveled to England, Wales, Ireland and Scotland. In December, he took a cruise from Fort Lauderdale to Los Angeles via the Panama Canal.

Linda Jordre '69 retired after the 2011 school year. She taught for 42 years in the Bismarck School District. Linda is enjoying retirement and looks forward to walking with her friends.

1970's

Peggy (Johnson) Brandenburger '72 is taking retirement from the US Postal Service seriously, spending her days crafting, sewing and enjoying the grandchildren: Emily, 7, and Madeline, 5. Her husband, Tony, is still working part-time with electrical repair and auto parts sales.



he started a VCSU scholarship in memory of his daughter, Stephanie. Stephen and his wife, Tammy, reside in Wolverton, MN, and love hearing about VCSU and its people. "GO VIKINGS"

Donald Steele '72 and his wife, Ginny, have been married for 26 years. They have a daughter, Cierra, who is attending college, and a son, Brent, who is in high school at Pingree-Buchanan. Donald works for Pro Ag Insurance as a compliance reviewer and Ginny works at Golden Acres Manor as an assistant director of nurses.

Dianne (Kunze) Loberg '73 is teaching at Westside Elementary School in West Fargo, ND. She teaches elementary physical education and elementary health in grades 1-5. This past February, she was awarded the Central District AAHPERD K-12 Health Educator of the Year Award. Dianne and her husband, Rod, have three grown children, James, Amy Johnson and John. They love West Fargo and friends are always welcome to visit.

Patricia (Forward) Moore '73 retired from teaching, in 2007, after 32 years at Oakes Public School. Since then she has been a full-time bookkeeper at Emery Visto's Implement/CarQuest in Oakes for nearly 5 years. She enjoys this job as it is not quite as demanding as teaching which she appreciates at this point in her life.

John Schmidt '73 and his wife, Rebecca and are living in Cottage Grove, MN, where John is serving in his fifth year as an assistant principal at Lake Middle School in Woodbury, MN. He previously served as the principal at West Central High School in Hartford, SD, for 14 years after teaching and coaching in North Dakota for 13 years. Their children are all married and they are proud grandparents of five grandchildren.

Judy (Buchholz) Frueh '74 has spent her entire teaching career in Harvey, ND. Judy, and her husband, Dave, are both adoptive and foster parents. This winter, her first novel was released from Tate Publishing entitled *Laughing and Dancing Solo*. It is the story of two separate foster children and how their lives intertwine. It can be viewed on her website: www.judyfrueh.tateauthor.com

Noreen (Johnson) Steinbrecher '74 relocated from Seward, AK, to Deerwood, MN, in 2010 after the death of her husband, Roger Steinbrecher '75. Roger passed away from cancer in July 2009 at the age of 56. The football field in Seward, AK, is named Steinbrecher Field in his honor. Both Nor-

Stephen Dockter '72 retired from the United States Postal Service seven years ago. Now, he enjoys family, traveling and hunting with the kids. In 2005,

een and Roger retired from successful teaching careers in 1997.

Beverly (Woehl) Weigel '75 and her husband, Victor, lost their entire farm to a tornado on July 17, 2011. They are now city folk, living in a new home in Edgeley, ND. Beverly is still teaching in the Edgeley Public Schools where she has been for 35 years. She thinks she will be there for another year or so.

Kaye (Haugen) Omdahl '77 and her husband, Neil, are still living in Rogers, ND. Kaye occasionally conducts studies at CETERO Research, and Neil works at CBSI in Jamestown. They have been blessed with three grandchildren: Evelyn, 2, Aslan, 7 and Anora 2½ months.

1980's

Chery (Mitzel) Fenno '82 and her husband, Michael, just completed 25 years as optometrists, with more ahead. They have practices in Colville and Newport, WA. Their son, Gregory, is a sophomore at the University of Washington and their daughter, Jill, is a junior at Colville High School. They are looking forward to summer and warm weather.

Diane (Winter) Graff '82 is in her second year as the District Title I Coordinator for the Barnes County North Schools in ND.

Lisa (Waldoch) Weckerly '82 and her husband, Jerald, are empty nesters and grandparents. They are having a blast. They invite their friends to stop by Hurdsville, ND, to visit them. They live right off highway 200. Lisa thinks the Bravada girls should have a reunion soon.

Laurel (Ploium) Westby '84 and her husband, Neil, are empty nesters now that son, Scott, attends college at VCSU. Scott is pursuing a history education degree. Laurel is working on her masters degree in professional development and is excited to finish so she can start teaching courses to teachers or maybe to education students. "Education is a wonderful gift and I enjoy sharing it with others," says Laurel.

Randy and Lisa (Walker) Hajek '85, are still living and farming near Davenport, ND. Randy is chairman of the township board, a member of the Horace Fire and Rescue Board, and is still playing his trumpet in the annual EBC alumni "We're In The Christmas Mood" show every December. Lisa is still teaching 5th grade at Horace Elementary, serving as team leader and RTI-B staff leader. She also serves as a student-teacher cooperating teacher and is a member of the district's report card committee. She is a mentor-mom for the local MOPS group, and is the senior choir director and a Praise Band leader at Horace Lutheran Church. (She is debating whether getting her doctorate is really worth the time and effort!). Randy and Lisa enjoy spending time with their children and two young grandchildren. They'd love to hear from college friends! RHJK@aol.com or Hajek@west-fargo.k12.nd.us.



▲ **Luly (Macias) Villarreal** lives in Monterrey, México. She married Hugo Villarreal 20 years ago, and they have 3 kids: Hugo 18, Patricio 15 and Aylín 12. Luly was a foreign student in 1985-1986 and also a Philo. Luly has very good memories of Valley City; she used to help Ms. Kringlie in the Spanish class and also was on the Bravada dance team.

Bob Thoreson '87 is in his 25th year of teaching, currently his 9th at Jamestown Middle School. Prior to that, he taught 12 years in Cavalier, and four years in Marion. His wife, Jodi, works at Cargill in Spiritwood, where she has worked for the past seven years. Their daughter, Lindsay, is a college senior majoring in nursing, and their son, Jordan, is a senior at Jamestown High School. Bob is an assistant basketball coach and an assistant track coach, coaching throwing events.



▲ **Jeanie (McFadgen) Magee '88** is in her second year teaching Reading Recovery and Title I at Chester Area Schools in Chester, SD. Jean and her husband, Sean, live in Lennox, SD. She would

enjoy hearing from all of her VCSU friends. Jean's address is 1013 W 3rd Ave, Lennox, SD 57039.

1990's



▲ **John '93 and Leah (Ptacek) '93 Miller** met at VCSU 20 years ago, moved to California and were married in 1996. They have four children, Robert, 24, Elizabeth, 11, Andrew, 10 and Evan, 8. Leah finished her masters degree in 2001 in Speech Language Pathology & Audiology, and works at a local school district. John has been a high school history teacher for the past 17 years and is the head varsity football coach and junior varsity wrestling coach. Thanks VCSU!!



▲ **Craig '94 and Lori Jo (Kessler) '95 Demester** live in New Rockford, ND. Craig teaches 3rd grade and coaches girls basketball and track. Lori Jo teaches Kindergarten. They have four children: Katie Jo, 18, Ahna, 14, Kennedy, 8, and Jax 22 months.

Terra (Wagner) Engelhart '96 is in her 16th year of teaching. She and her husband, James, have three beautiful daughters: Tiffany, 12½, Allison, 6, and Jillian 2½. Terra misses her VCSU days greatly!

Neil '96 and Tricia (Brandt) '98 Lebahn reside on the Lebahn family farm south of Litchville, ND, with their children Dane (8) and Alana (5.) Tricia teaches general music, band, and choir to grades 4-12 at LaMoure Public School. Neil is a Master Electrician and is working for Grotberg Electric as a P.L.C. programmer at the Bobcat plant in Gwinner, ND. Neil and Tricia continue to farm a small amount of land. The farm is also home to the family dog, lots of cats, and two horses.

Max Miranda '98 has been with the Albuquerque Police Department for 13 years, three of which have been on bike patrol. His wife, Rhonda, is a nurse at the University of New Mexico. They have an 8 year old son, Jacob, and a 6 year old daughter, Jayden.

2000's

Doug Murch '02 and his wife, Beth, moved to West Fargo. They have two children: Logan (3½ years) and Emmett (newborn).

Sean '09 and Michelle (Meckle) '07 Swenson will be moving in May to Keene, ND. Sean will pursue a plumbing career and Michelle hopes to continue her teaching career in the Watford City area. They will be living on the family farm and hoping to raise animals. They are looking forward to the new challenges ahead.

LeeAnn Even '08 graduated with distinction from University of North Dakota School of Law in May 2011, and on October 10, 2011 was admitted to the State Bar Association of North Dakota. She is practicing with the Anderson Law Firm in Rutland, ND. ♦

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milestones...

1. Angela Gunderson '00 and her husband Michael Howland welcomed their first child, Grayson Jerome Howland on August 31, 2011. He was 8 lbs 3 oz and 22 inches long. The very happy family resides in Willmar, MN.

2. Sherri (Senne) Horsager '01 and her husband Justin were blessed with their first child. Son, Jaxon Clell was born June 6, 2011. He weighed 4 lbs 13 oz. Sherri and Justin are both employed by Open Door Center in Valley City; Sherri is in her 4th year as program director and Justin in his 12th year as a direct support professional.

3. Amber (Ussatis) Aberle '03 and her husband, Jeremy, of Mandan, ND, are the proud parents of Elliott Jerome who was born on November 18, 2011 weighing 6 lbs 8 oz and was 19¼ inches long. Elliott joined his big sister Danica (2½ yrs) by finally coming home on December 5, 2011. Proud grandparents are Julie and Kevin Ussatis of Nome, ND.

4. Jimmy '05 and Sarah (Didier) '03 Newton welcomed their second child, Jimmy Ray Newton III (Trey) on November 16, 2011. Trey weighed 7 lbs 14 oz and was 21 inches long. Jimmy works out of the Laborers Union at Flowline Alaska and Sarah is the education & disabilities coordinator at Head Start. Trey joins his sister, Kenleigh, age 3.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL:

• **Line of Scrimmage Camp**
(for linemen entering grades 9-12):
July 11-12 (overnight)

For more information, contact Gregg Horner at 701-845-7423 or gregg.horner@vcsu.edu.

GIRL'S BASKETBALL:

• **3 on 3 Viking Shoot Out** (grades 3-12): April 22

• **Position Camp** (grades 5-12): June 10-12 (overnight)

• **Varsity Team Camp:** June 14

For more information, contact Jill Devries, 701-845-7164 or jill.devries@vcsu.edu.

BOY'S BASKETBALL:

• **3 on 3 Viking Shoot Out** (grades 3-12): April 22

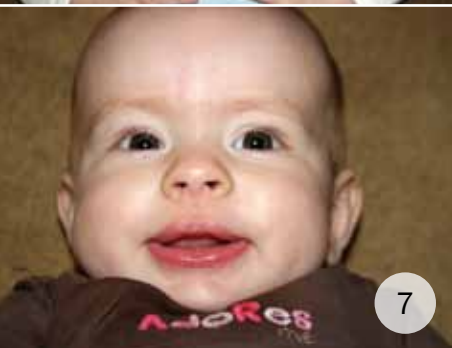
• **Day Camp** (grades 2-12): June 18 - 21
9:00 am - noon

• **Varsity Team Camp:** June 13

For more information, contact Jeff Kaminsky at (701) 845-7240 or jeff.kaminsky@vcsu.edu.



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5. Chris '04 and Sheila (Zaun) '04 Larson

welcomed the addition of Camden Zaun to their family on June 22, 2011. Camden weighted 7 lbs 13 oz and was 21 inches long. Camden joins big brother Boston Christopher (4) at home. They reside in Casselton, ND. Sheila is a marketing teacher at West Fargo High School and Chris is a self-employed contractor, CR Larson Concrete.

6. Mark Fabian '04 and his wife Mandey are the proud parents of Max William Fabian born September 12, 2011. Mark teaches 6th grade science and coaches football in New Prague, MN. Mandey teaches 4th grade in Columbia Heights.

7. Tyler Tufte '05 and his wife Emma welcomed Adriana Ellie Tufte into their family on May 3, 2011. Adriana weighted 7 lbs 8 oz and was 21 inches long. Tyler is a web applications developer at VCSU. Emma is an administrative assistant in the School of Education & Graduate Studies at VCSU.

8. Trevar Hansen '05 and his wife, Sarah, had a son Kallen Gaylon Hansen on November 1, 2011. Kallen weighed 8 lbs 6 oz and was 19½ inches long. They also have a 2 year old daughter, Sophia Evelyn Hansen. Trevar and his family live in Valley City, where Trevar teaches 7th grade math and Sarah is a nurse at City County Health in Valley City.

9. Will '03 and Bridget (O'Brien) '05 Blunck are the proud parents of Kaydence Marie Blunck born March 30, 2011. Kaydence weighed 6 lbs 10 oz and was 21 inches long. Will is an electrician with Enterprise Electric Inc. and Bridget is an office manager/transfer specialist with the VCSU Enrollment Services Office.

10. Kathy (Legge) '06 and Jason MEd '10

Edwards welcomed a daughter, Bergen Rae, on April 19, 2011. Bergen was 6 lbs 8 oz and was 19 inches long. Bergen joins big brother, Kemper at home.

11. Josh '05 and Alison (Zaun) '06 Kasowski

recently welcomed a new Viking, Gray Reed, on September 26, 2011. Gray weighed 7 lbs 4 oz and was 20 inches long. Josh is in his 3rd year as commercial loan officer at Bank Forward in Valley City and Alison is in her 4th year at VCSU, first year as Assistant Director of Annual Giving in the Office of Advancement.

12. Matt '05 and Cynthia (Penner) '06 Klabo

are parents of Tyson Matthew Klabo, who turned 3 on September 12, and Kierstin Leanne Klabo, who was born September 16, 2011, weighed 8 lbs 1 oz and was 21 inches long. Matt is working in inside equipment sales at FEI and Cynthia is a physical science teacher in the Valley City Public School System.

13. Heather Henkel '07 and Sean Huus are the proud parents of Paige Marie. Paige was born December 28, 2011 at 12:06 pm. She was 19 ¼ inches long and weighed 5 lbs 12 oz.

14. Barrett Sczepanski '07 and his wife, Katie, are new parents to Jacob Barrett Sczepanski who was born on January 17, 2012. He weighed 9 lbs 10 oz and was 21 inches long.

15. Joe Maresh '07 and his wife, Tyffani, welcomed Kade Vincent Maresh on September 5 at 2:28 am in St. Cloud, MN. He was 8 lbs 14 oz and 21 inches long. Joe is a quality assurance analyst at United Health Group in Golden Valley, MN. Tyffani is a health inspector for the Minnesota State Department of Health in St. Cloud, MN.

16. Sarah (Hiebert) Dale '08 and her husband, Dewayne, are proud parents of Ezra Nathaniel Dale, born September 16, 2011. They are currently living in Fort Defiance, AZ, where Dewayne works as a fitness specialist and Sarah teaches math at an alternative school.

17. Tatem Brandt '09 and Amanda Slykerman were married in LaMoure, ND, on August 20, 2011. Amanda is currently the district conservationist with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Valley City, ND. Tatem is a Farmers Union Insurance agent in LaMoure, ND. They reside in Litchville.

18. Jordan '11 and Heidi (Larson) '10

Backstrom were married November 26, 2011. Heidi is a physical education teacher for K-6th grades in Hazen, ND. She is also the junior varsity and assistant coach for both volleyball and girl's basketball in Hazen. Jordan is in his first year of grad school at the University of Mary for Physical Therapy.

19. Levi '11 and Samantha (Bartholomay) '11 Bischof were married on July 8th, 2011, at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Valley City, ND. ♦

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