Greetings to all BHSU alumni

For 125 years, your alma mater has transformed lives through innovative academic programs and a dynamic learning community. As we commemorate our Quasquicentennial during 2008, we celebrate our heritage and traditions. This university has much of which we should be proud. We have responded proactively to meet the needs of the citizens of the region and state. We have evolved into a comprehensive university with high quality faculty and students.

I anticipate BHSU will continue to be viewed as a progressive university in the future. Numerous opportunities await us with the development of the Sanford Deep Underground Science and Engineering Laboratory at the former Homestake Mine site and the concomitant development of a technology corridor throughout the region. You have my commitment that your alma mater will not only be a significant part of the future development, it will be a leader in these efforts.

Your ongoing support is very important to the university. Please recommend BHSU as the university of choice for students, hire a BHSU student for an internship or employment, and contribute to the Foundation through your time, talent, or treasure. I hope to see you at the many events surrounding our Quasquicentennial Celebration (see page 3 for details).

Thank you for everything you do for BHSU.
Kay Schallenkamp, President

Quasquicentennial

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BHSU Alumni Magazine

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On the cover:
A look at how the BHSU campus green has transformed from the early 20s to the present.

2008 photo by Les Voorhis

Black Hills State University, the state’s third largest university, enrolls more than 4,000 students. BHSU offers 56 bachelor’s degree options, 22 pre-professional programs as well as three master’s degree programs, all on a spectacular 123-acre campus in one of the most scenic areas of the United States. To find out more visit www.BHSU.edu.
Transforming lives for 125 years

As we look back at our history, it’s obvious Black Hills State University has transformed the lives of its students while undergoing a major evolution in the role the university plays in the community, state, and nation. BHSU is now a destination that continues to transform lives through innovative educational programs and a dynamic learning community.

Our founding fathers would likely be astonished by the turn of events that led to the emergence of Black Hills State University as a leader in higher education. The same dedication of faculty and staff and the continuing desire to learn by our students has created an entity that is increasingly recognized as an innovative, high quality institution of higher learning throughout the state, the greater Black Hills region, and the nation.

Throughout the years, BHSU leaders have been visionary in anticipating the changing needs of our future students and the state of South Dakota. As BHSU moves decisively into the 21st Century, our original mission of service to South Dakota and the provision of a quality education remain intact. BHSU continues to graduate students with the critical thinking skills needed to be leaders in the information age and the global economy.

Our students are pursuing degrees in areas that didn’t even exist when BHSU was founded. Our research funding has increased to more than $5.3 million last year. We are proud of the institution, our history, and our legacy of dedicated faculty, staff, and students, and we look forward to our future as we continue in our ongoing quest to transform lives.

Black Hills State University is celebrating its Quasquicentennial.

You’re invited

Quasquicentennial Celebration 2008

1883 Founder’s Day Luncheon*
Wednesday, February 27
11:45 a.m. - David B. Miller Yellow Jacket Student Union
Jacket Legacy Room

Comedic Performance*
Saturday, March 7
7 p.m. - Clare and Josef Meier Hall
Gary Mule Deer

Swarm Week Celebration
including an All-School Reunion
Friday, September 19
- Top 125 Alumni Recognition Ceremony*  
11:30 a.m. - Donald E. Young Sports and Fitness Center
Gymnasium
- Saturday, September 20
  Swarm Day Parade
  10:30 a.m. - Downtown Spearfish
  Tailgate Party
  11:30 a.m. - Ida Henton Park
  Football Game - BHSU vs. SDSM&T
  1:00 p.m. - Lyle Hare Stadium
  Williams and Ree in Concert*  
  7 p.m. - David B. Miller Yellow Jacket Student Union
  Jacket Legacy Room

BHSU Theatre Production
Letters from the Past
“Celebration of 125 years at BHSU”  
by Jessica Juhrend
Production will take place fall 2008

For updates on these and other events during the Quasquicentennial Celebration, visit our website at www.BHSU.edu/125years.

*Signature events include a book signing by author Paul Higbee and photographer Les Voorhis, creators of the Black Hills State University 125th anniversary book.

We look forward to seeing you on campus!
Jennifer Mercer, Class of '97
Laramie, Wyo.

Transforming lives

Jennifer, who is currently part of a research team in Antarctica, was recently interviewed by the Talay Shao for her work as a research scientist. She began BHSU with plans for a journalism major. After an eye-opening and ultimately life-changing freshman science course, Jennifer says she realized that she should really become a scientist.

“I’ve always felt that my education at BHSU was an integral part of my success. The opportunity I had to do research as an undergraduate was exceptional. I had professors who were phenomenal in the classroom and supportive of students’ interests. Faculty at BHSU are among the best professors I’ve ever encountered.”

Dan Patterson, Class of ‘02
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Today Show Talk Radio News Service
Chief New York and United Nations Correspondent

Dan spends a great deal of time at the United Nations Office in New York, reporting on world events for political talk radio stations. Dan is also a social media consultant to public relations companies and their clients. He helps articulate new media, such as blogs, podcasts, and social networking, to “old media” companies.

“I’m fortunate for the opportunities I have, and I am sincerely grateful to the staff and faculty of BHSU. I know that had I gone to school anywhere else, I wouldn’t be where I am now.”

Doug McCalla, Class of ‘69
Jackson Wyo.

Spence & McCalla, LLC
Attorney

Doug is one of eight partners with Spence, Moriarity and Shockey, LLC in Jackson, Wyo., and faculty member of the Trial Lawyers College. Doug received his undergraduate college years at BHSU as a time of hard work and an essential learning experience both in and out of the classroom. He chose to get a liberal arts education that later served as a great foundation when he entered law school and served him well throughout his life.

“My education prepared me, not just for law school, but for life. I’d advise students to take a variety of courses from across the disciplines. Learn about people, study geography, learn about economics, take a drama class. These are all things that will serve you well in whatever you do.”

Kathleen (Packard) Engle, Class of ‘80
Newcastle, Wyo.

Country Manager
Williams International

Kathleen, who has taught and coached for many years, has received grants totaling over $90,000 and has been honored with many excellence in teaching awards, including the nationally esteemed Milken Award; and the “Disney Salutes the American Teacher Award.”

“Black Hills State University provided me the means in which to follow my dream of becoming a teacher. Black Hills State University’s dedication to education made available a flexible master’s program so that I could enrich my knowledge in teaching and learning while teaching full time.”

The educational experience at BHSU, which is enhanced by student internships, undergraduate research projects, study abroad programs, and service learning opportunities, provides opportunities for students to develop social and critical thinking skills that help them succeed in their career and throughout their lifetime.

Following are a few of our graduates who have experienced the transformational power of Black Hills State University.
1. BHSU had five different names from 1883 to 2008. Which name does not belong?
   a. Dakota Territory Normal School
   b. Spearfish Normal School
   c. Black Hills Teachers College
   d. Hills Normal School
   e. Black Hills State College
   f. Black Hills State University
   1. What is the third master’s degree, added recently, a:
   a. master of arts in divinity
   b. master of science in sports psychology
   c. master of science in integrative genomics
   d. master of arts in interior design

2. BHSU’s first president, Van Buren Baker, is not officially recognized as the first president because he:
   a. robbed a bank
   b. cheated on his wife
   c. murdered family members
   d. none of the above

3. In 1905, students were expected to keep:
   a. their rooms clean
   b. $100 in their possession at all times
   c. library hours
   d. Bible in their rooms

4. The athletic teams were named the Yellow Jackets in 1927 because:
   a. all the bugs (yellow jackets) flying around the stadium
   b. the players were wearing yellow jackets to stay warm and a fan yelled out “go you yellow jackets”
   c. the student body held a contest to name the team
   d. our athletic teams had a victory chant that sounded like buzzing.

5. In 1919, any student that failed 10 or more hours of work was denied:
   a. library privileges
   b. bar privileges
   c. dating privileges
   d. Pizza Hut privileges

6. In 1923, tuition, books and fees for one semester totaled:
   a. $1,000
   b. $123
   c. $59
   d. $17

7. The first student union was located:
   a. where it is today
   b. where Pangburn Hall is today
   c. downtown
   d. in the library

8. What used to be located behind the library?
   a. garden
   b. water tower
   c. bar
   d. horse stables

9. In 1953, faculty members and students wanted to change the BHSU mascot to:
   a. skunk
   b. tiger
   c. rabbit
   d. lion

10. What annual summer event, held on the BHSU campus, draws participants from around the world?
   a. Renaissance Festival
   b. Johanna Meier Opera Theatre Institute
   c. Olympics
   d. Firewalking Festival

11. What comedy team roomed together at Pangburn Hall in the late 60s?
   a. Sonny and Cher
   b. Laurel and Hardy
   c. Williams and Ree
   d. Blues Brothers

12. What are the school colors before they were green and gold?
   a. green and white
   b. they’ve always been green and gold
   c. maroon and white
   d. purple and gold

13. What is the current enrollment at BHSU?
   a. 1,001
   b. 2,822
   c. 3,382
   d. 4,004

14. What student organization recently hosted its 25th annual wacipi?
   a. Global Awareness Committee
   b. Lakota Omniciye
   c. Fantastic Phalanges
   d. Checkmates Chess Club

15. What is the economic impact of the BHSU students on the local economy?
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Do you know your alma mater?
Check your answers on pages 10 and 11.
As part of Black Hills State University's 125th anniversary in 2008, a new book about the University's history is set to be released on Founder's Day, Feb. 27. The book combines author Paul Higbee's words with photographer Les Voorhis' exterior and interior campus views. This book gives an overview of the University's history with an emphasis on the last 25 years.

"In 1983, for Black Hills State's Centennial, Dr. Paul Haivala wrote an outstanding history of the school," said Higbee. "So while I didn't ignore those first hundred years in the new book, I've put more emphasis on what's happened the last quarter century, which is an incredible story in itself."

Les attended BHSU from 1986-88 and is well-known nationally for his wildlife photography featured in several outdoor magazines. Paul graduated from Black Hills State in 1976, earned a master's at the University of Notre Dame, and writes for magazines ranging from Northwest Airlines in-flight publication to Notre Dame's continuing education magazine.

Reviewing materials from the centennial year, Paul noted he found little evidence anyone foresaw the extent of BHSU's approaching transformation--in terms of faculty and undergraduates, research, evolution from college to university, enrollment and campus growth, and outreach in many fields. "And at the exact same time," he added, "higher education was changing everywhere because of the technology boom. In 1983, Dr. Max Durgin was BHSU's 'computer specialist,' pretty much a lone voice urging colleagues to start thinking about technology."

Les said one of the things he most enjoyed about shooting photos for the book was "showing how beautiful and mountainous the campus setting is. I looked at the campus from a landscape photographer's perspective, and I wasn't really expecting to see what I saw. When you're focused on your day-to-day campus work as a student or faculty member, you don't always notice the wider setting."

Taking photos for the BHSU book, Les said, led him to an appreciation for the campus' mix of architecture, "from the old stone mason era to modern Meier Hall. Obviously, thought was given so the buildings fit together, yet they're also representative individually of BHSU's different eras."

Paul conducted 75 interviews for the book, including ones with BHSU President Kay Schallenkamp and past presidents, faculty, and alumni as far back as Louise Johnston, Class of 1930. He was impressed by the range of professional positions alumni hold, from Jennifer Merten's, Class of '97, atmospheric research work in Antarctica to Florence Heacock's, Class of '36, job documentation of parliamentary procedure on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives.

"It was always surprising when I interviewed alumni, knowing what their major had been and what their profession is," Higbee said. "I'd ask them to mention a favorite professor or a class they'll never forget, and often they mentioned a personality or course not related to their professional life. I found that a real testimony to BHSU's liberal arts philosophy. Many graduates mentioned their professors urged them to take classes outside their major and minor fields."

The book will be available for purchase for the first time following the BHSU Founder's Day Luncheon Wednesday, February 27th. Paul and Les will be available at the luncheon to sign your copy. After this event, the book will be available from the BHSU Bookstore.

Check out the Quasquicentennial events calendar on the BHSU website at www.BHSU.edu/125years for future book signing opportunities.

For more information or to pre-order the book, contact the BHSU Bookstore at www.BHSUBookstore.com or call (605) 642-6280.

$24.95 plus tax
1. **Hills Normal School** - While we have never been called Hills Normal School, our name has changed several times to reflect BHSU’s evolving role and mission from Dakota Normal/Spearfish Normal to Black Hills Teachers College to Black Hills State College to Black Hills State University. Our academic programs have continuously evolved and student support programs were developed for the changing student population. Today, with an enrollment of more than 8,000 students, we are the largest university in western South Dakota and the third largest in the state.

2. c. murdered family members - After Van Buren Baker's disheartening start, BHSU was fortunate to have exceptional leadership from that point on. The University is currently under the leadership of Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, who is known as the ninth president of Black Hills State University. In 2006, she is working to ensure BHSU offers innovative academic programs and an exceptional learning experience for all students.

3. a. their rooms clean - Dorm rooms in the new Wenona Cook Hall were among the finest in the state. BHSU now offers five residence halls and an eight-building apartment complex equipped with a variety of services and opportunities for apartment style living. BHSU students are now given the opportunity to personally customize their rooms to create a space that is truly a home away from home. Some students choose to paint their rooms and institute other design techniques.

4. b. where Pangburn Hall is today - Plans for an expanded library are currently under way. In recent years, several buildings have been added, including the E.W. Babcock Center for Music and the Performing Arts. BHSU has had a strong tradition of music for decades. In 1903, the first band was started, and the tradition continues with the Black Hills Marching Band, the Black Hills Jazz Ensemble, and the Black Hills Music Festival. Throughout the last century, music students and faculty have performed many genres of music, and the University is working to ensure BHSU offers innovative academic programs and an exceptional learning experience for all students.

5. a. library privileges - The E.W. Babcock Library-Learning Center is a resource to support the learning, teaching, and research needs of BHSU students and faculty. The library provides access to a varied collection of resources, including books, journals, microforms, electronic books, and extensive online research databases. The library houses approximately 365,000 cataloged items, including 130,000 book titles, and serves nearly 7,500 patrons.

6. c. master of science in integrative genomics - BHSU offers a master’s degree in integrative genomics. This program provides a new area of biological research that seeks to place the functional significance of an organism’s many genes into an ecological and evolutionary context. Research is an integral part of the educational experience at BHSU for undergraduate and graduate students. Our location in the Black Hills near the world-class underground science lab at Homestake provide unparalleled research possibilities.

7. d. 1974 - As the cost of tuition has risen through the years, BHSU has established an outstanding scholarship program with the support of friends, alumni, faculty, and staff. Academic scholarships at BHSU have increased over 500 percent in the last ten years, and the University continues to put an emphasis on providing scholarships for its students.

8. b. where Pangburn Hall is today - Plans for an expanded apartment complex were developed in the 1960s, and the building was completed in 1973. The student-run station continues to be an excellent learning tool for mass communications students.

9. b. a water tower - The water tower was sold to the town of New Underwood and is still being used today. It was taken down to make room for a new library in the summer of 1971. The E.W. Babcock Library-Learning Center opened its doors at the start of the spring semester in 1973.

10. a. skunk - In an unusual effort to boost enthusiasm and school spirit, several students and faculty members offered an alternative to the Yellow Jacket mascot. At an all-school assembly, the group presented “Damnit” the skunk to the student body president. The idea that it would be a mascot that everyone could see - something bigger than a yellow jacket - was turned down, but Damnit was still seen around campus from time to time.

11. c. Williams and Ree - The comedy duo began performing as students and went on to have a successful entertaining career. They have performed on campus several times and are scheduled to perform during the Quasquicentennial celebration in September.

12. d. a former BH president - In 1944, Woodburn Hall was named after Ethelburn Cooke (E.C.) Woodburn, the second college president from 1919 to 1942, who guided the Normal School through expansion and created the institution in its current form. Woodburn Hall, originally known as the Main Building, was dedicated in December of 1926, replacing Normal Hall which burned in January of 1929.

13. c. 1974 - BHSU adopted the green and gold colors in 1982. These days more than just our logo is green. BHSU is taking a leadership role in sustainability in a campus-wide effort. BHSU was the first South Dakota university to join the American College and University President’s Climate Commitment, a consortium of more than 400 universities across the nation dedicated to address global warming by garnering institutional commitments to neutralize greenhouse gas emissions, and to accelerate the research and educational efforts of higher education to equip society to re-stabilize the earth’s climate. The major addition and renovation to the Student Union is being designed with several energy efficiencies and has a goal of a Silver certification from LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design). BHSU has had a strong tradition of music for decades. In 1903, the first band was started, and the tradition continues with the Black Hills Marching Band, the Black Hills Jazz Ensemble, and the Black Hills Music Festival. Throughout the last century, music students and faculty have performed many genres of music, and the University is working to ensure BHSU offers innovative academic programs and an exceptional learning experience for all students.

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15. b. Lakota Omnicie - The campus annually hosts the Lakota Omnicie Wacipi (powwow) as part of a week-long celebration of Native American culture. Lakota Omnicie, whose mission is to bridge the cultural gaps between non-Indian and Indian students, is one of 76 student organizations on campus. The Center for American Indian Studies at BHSU supports native students’ tribal and academic discipline American Indian Studies. BHSU enrolls the highest percentage of Native American students of the six state universities.

16. b. Johanna Meier Opera Theatre Institute - The Meier family were instrumental in bringing the Passion Play to the Black Hills. The Meiers have been actively involved in theatre and music events at the University, which led to the establishment of the Johanna Meier Opera Theatre Institute in residence at Meier Hall.

17. d. people and gold - BHSU adopted the green and gold colors in 1982. These days more than just our logo is green. BHSU is taking a leadership role in sustainability in a campus-wide effort. BHSU was the first South Dakota university to join the American College and University President’s Climate Commitment, a consortium of more than 400 universities across the nation dedicated to address global warming by garnering institutional commitments to neutralize greenhouse gas emissions, and to accelerate the research and educational efforts of higher education to equip society to re-stabilize the earth’s climate. The major addition and renovation to the Student Union is being designed with several energy efficiencies and has a goal of a Silver certification from LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design).

18. d. all of the above - A class of 1940 graduate, he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy during World War II and later in the Korean conflict. Between military obligations he returned home to teach and coach. From 1958 to 1970 he served as the college’s director of direction in addition to his teaching and coaching responsibilities. Young was elected mayor of Spearfish in 1967 and served as mayor until 1976. He retired from his faculty position in 1976.

19. b. David B. Miller Yellow Jacket Student Union - “Vetroville” helped BESC meet its housing needs when hundreds of veterans from World War II arrived on campus in the late 40s.

20. a. 1903 - Music has been a part of this campus since the early days. In November of 1903 the first band was formed, and later years saw the establishment of a Girls Glee Club and Boys Glee Club, Peg Band, Marching Band, and Jazz Ensemble. Throughout the late 19th century, music students and faculty have performed many genres of music from classical to modern in various vocal and instrument groups. In 1965, the establishment in music is now fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music, and offers music degrees in education as well as performance.

21. d. $27 million - The economic impact of our students when calculated by an economic multiplier formula is $27 million. The economic multiplier is a calculation used by economists to measure not just the actual dollars spent, but the value of those dollars when they are spent again creating a ripple effect. This includes prospective students and their parents; guests of faculty, staff, and students; and others attending special events. BHSU also hosts the state high school basketball tournament. That event alone brought more than $500,000 to the Spearfish community. In addition, BHSU provides intangible benefits enriching the local community through educational, cultural, research, and community service activities.

Answers to the questions continued in pages 6 and 7.
Kudos & Announcements

Rice passes CPA exam on first attempt

Jennifer Rice, Class of ’94, an Auditor with Casey Peterson & Associates, LTD in Rapid City, recently passed all four parts of the Uniform CPA (Certified Public Accountant) Exam on her first attempt.

According to the South Dakota Board of Accountancy’s July newsletter, 213 candidates sat for 293 parts of the exam and she was one of only four students to pass all four parts in one attempt.

The Richard 60s “Dick” Dahlbo, Class of ’64, Rapid City, was inducted into the 2007 Spearfish High School Fine Arts Hall of Fame.

Ron Carlson, Class of ’66, will not seek re-election after 17 years in the North Dakota legislature. He retired four years ago from his primary job as a nursery owner. In retirement, Ron plans to spend more time hunting and being involved in politics as a volunteer and friend.

Waldorf A. “Wally” Ekland, Class of ’68, Cerry, has been elected president of the South Dakota Trial Lawyers Association. This association, which has over 800 members, promotes public awareness of the legal system and encourages professional excellence within the legal field.

Mike Sullivan, Class of ’98, Sioux Falls, was named executive director for the Sioux Falls Sports Authority. Mike will help bring a positive economic impact to the greater Sioux Falls area through sports events and use of the facility.

The 70s

Benning, Class of ’73, Spearfish, retired after 35 years of service to the city of Spearfish as the city’s finance officer.

Camille (Herigstad) Binder, Class of ’73, Spearfish, was awarded the PrairieView Shumard Star Teacher of the Month for October 2007. Camille currently teaches second grade at West Elementary in Spearfish.

Aileen (Salmom Brunner, Class of ’73, Niland, is now serving as president of S.D. Society for Technology in Education, which is the K-12 technology coordinators’ organization.

Aileen is currently the technology director for the Newell School District.

Elaine Doll-Dunn, Class of ’79, Spearfish, recently published her second book, “Running On – a soul’s journey…. and on and on.”

Bob Fajardo, Class of ’74, Newcastle, Co., graduated in May 2007 from Regis University with a bachelor’s degree in Computer Networking.

Donald Hefner, Class of ’72, Hermiston, Or., is currently teaching at Blue Mountain Community College.

In 2003, he retired from teaching after 31 years in the Oregon High Schools. During that time, he was listed in the Who’s

Kudos & Announcements

Croft receives impressive national award

Sherry Croft, Class of ’97, is the recipient of the National Educator Award from the Milken Family Foundation. The national award included a $25,000 cash prize and an all expense paid trip to Sherry and her family to California. Sherry teaches eighth grade English and Social Studies at North Middle School in Rapid City.

“I am incredibly honored by this award. I teach in a state with so many fine educators and will be pleased to represent state when I go to Los Angeles in March to meet with the other Milken recipients. I truly love what I do each day and thank the Milken Family Foundation for showcasing education.”

The Milken National Educator Awards were created by Lowell Milken in 1985 to celebrate, elevate and activate the highest caliber professionals in the nation’s schools. Each year 100 unsuspecting K-12 teachers, principals and specialists throughout the United States are surprised with the news of their $25,000 awards.

At a surprise assembly which included a color guard ceremony, a performance by the school’s drum group and orchestra, and festivities, S.D. Governor Mike Rounds presented Sherry with her award. Sherry is in her ninth year of teaching at North. “With my technology background, I really work to integrate technology into my curriculum whenever it seems appropriate. I enjoy my students and believe that relationships are key to education,” said Sherry. She credits her accomplishments to North Middle School and principal, Jeanne Burckhard, who is a 1996 graduate of BHSU. According to Sherry, “our staff is hard-working and dedicated to the betterment of each child that enters our doors. We have excellent leadership and our principal, Jeanne Burckhard, has been largely responsible for nudging me out of my comfort zone and into some leadership roles.”

Sherry is currently working on her second year of the National Board Certification for Professional Teachers. For the last two years she has been a facilitator at the Governor’s New Teacher Academy, and this year she serves as one of the facilitators for Rapid City’s New Teacher Induction Program. Sherry also fills the shoes as the Building Technology Leader and helps the staff with their technology needs. She plans to start her doctorate degree in educational administration this spring.

Denise “Dee” Welsch, Class of ’87, Plymouth, Mich., was recently hired as a mathematics professor by Oakland Community College in Michigan.

Michael “Keith” Stadny, Class of ’97, Oglala, Neb., recently became the administrator at Indian Hills Manor and WEL-Life 6 Oglala Assisted Living in Oglala.

Denise “Dee” Welsch, Class of ’92, Arvada, Co., recently joined the J. Walter Thompson Advertising Agency (JWT) Denver office as the senior print produc-
tion manager. Dev’s responsibilities will be coordinating and project managing all regional print and display projects for the Ford Motor Company for 14 western states.

The 90s

Wes Brown, Class of ’96, Rapid City,
Glader assists in surgery

The Emily 00s Christopherson, Class of ‘00, Spearfish, received her master’s degree in school counseling from SDSU.

Nicole (Rollow) Kernan, Class of ‘99, Rapid City, recently earned National Board Certification in teaching. This certification is recognized as one of the highest credentials in the teaching profession.

Nicole teaches science at Dakota Middle School in Rapid City. She received her master of science degree in curriculum and instruction from BHSU.

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Dernis (Raad) Glader, Class of 02 currently works at Black Hills Orthopedic and Spine Center in Rapid City. She is one of eight mid-level practitioners, with her primary job being an assistant to physicians. Being a physician’s assistant because I enjoy helping people get back to the activity, hobby or sport that they love.

Glader assists in surgery

Julie (Kibbe) Kortum, Class of ‘03, Gillette, Wyo., was recently hired as an office and personnel manager for Pacific Coast Transportation in San Luis Obispo, Calif. The PCT guarantees overnight wine deliveries throughout the pacific coast from Los Angeles to Napa, California. Annette spent the previous nine years working for the USDA Forest Service.

Chris Roberts, Class of ‘17, Deadwood, recently appeared on the national television show “Girl Meets Cowboy.” Chris starred in the reality-dating series on the Women’s Entertainment (WE) Network.

Kari (Kramlich) Wolff, Class of ‘98, Eureka/Lee’s Summit, Mo., passed the CPA Exam and completed her licensing requirements in the states of Missouri and Kansas. She works as a staff auditor for Marsh & Company in Overland Park, Kan., specializing in historic real estate and affordable housing cost certifications and audits.

Several BHSU alums were awarded from the Rapid City Public School Foundation as a Teacher of Distinction: Carla Buun, Class of ‘97; Mandi Clausen, Class of ‘12; Deb Gilliland, Class of ‘98; Joe Harrison, Class of ‘02; Kim Sprague, Class of ‘89; Darlene Fernandez, Class of ‘91; and Dan Jankowski, Class of ’91. Each year, the Rapid City Public School Foundation invites every school in the district to select a Teacher of Distinction who will be featured in a movie that was a finalist in the Gulf Coast and Boskely film festivals. The couple lives in Houston, Texas.

The 80s

Robert Conley III, Class of ‘91, Pearl, Miss., married Shari Ann, July 7, 2007. Robert is a staff appraiser, Right of Way Division, for the Mississippi Department of Transportation. He teaches part-time at the University of Mississippi.

The 90s

Brian Dennis, Class of ‘98, and4 Brian Oliver, Class of ’01, recently married. Christine is an administrative coordinator for an engineering firm and is working on her bachelor’s degree online through Colorado Christian University.

The 16KAPT television in Jackson, Miss.


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White Face receives international award for nuclear research

Charmaine White Face, Class of ’73, Manderson, was awarded with the Nuclear-Free Future Award in the category of Scientists/Engineers for her work to reduce or eliminate risks associated with radioactivity and other pollutants.

The Nuclear-Free Future Awards, based in Munich, Germany, honors individuals, organizations and communities for their exceptional commitment towards creating a world free from the threat of nuclear weapons and atomic energy. This year, the award jury of nuclear weapons and atomic energy decided to honor the work of Charmaine White Face.

The award was presented to Charmaine White Face by the former mayor of Hiroshima, Tadatoshi Akiba, and the director of the Foundation for the Coming Generations, Hans Stephenson, from Austria.

Buehner receives prestigious graduate internship

Recent Black Hills State University graduate Tara Buehner, Class of ’07, was selected to serve as the 2007-2008 Ward Neff Intern in Washington, D.C. Buehner’s $15,000 stipend and her tuition will be waived for the year.

As a Ward Neff Intern, Buehner will work through a series of news websites seeking media-related news and other pieces to compile the Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) PressNotes, an online summary of media-related news that is sent to nearly 1,000 media professionals nationwide every day.

The internship program, named for former Sigma Delta Chi President Ward Neff, is awarded to one journalism program nationally every two years. With a value of nearly $40,000, the internship funds two one-year graduate fellowships, a faculty supervisor stipend and travel to the SPJ national convention and journalism conference.

Buehner, who is originally from Spearfish, received her bachelor’s degree in multimedia and communication art from BHSU in the spring of 2007. During her undergraduate studies, Buehner was involved with the University’s Student Broadcasting Network, the university newspaper The Arrow and the university’s community radio station.

In addition to her media interest, Buehner has an enthusiasm for health and wellness. She has completed two half-marathons and would someday like to run a full marathon.

Show us your BHSU pride!

If you look closely, you’ll see a BHSU alumni license plate frame, BHSU window sticker and car magnet; not to mention the BHSU t-shirt. Sara is currently a receptionist for Fry Orthodontics. She and her family currently reside in Olathe, Kansas.

BHSU freshmen students in 2017?

Janelle Dorr, Class of ’96, shows her BHSU pride with her third grade class at Harold Oliver Primary school in Rapid City.

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**Births**

**The Christine 90s (Butto)**
Christopher, Class of ’97, and husband Raymond, Pierre, had a baby girl, Malori Merry, Oct. 5, 2006. Christine recently earned her master’s degree in library and media science from Minnesota State University, Mankato. She was also elected to the President of the Correctional Education Association for South Dakota.


**Teka (Bailey) Mitchler**, Class of ’91 and husband Marvin, Class of ’84, Caruthersville, Missouri, welcomed twin girls, Shy-Anne Marie and Dagen Rae on Oct. 27, 2007.

**Joe Divis**, Class of ’93 and wife Mary (Avina), Class of ’98, Rapid City, had a baby boy, Joshua Michael, July 1, 2007. He weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 20 inches long. He joins his sister Asha, and three brothers Tyler, Nathan and Andrew. Joe is a Desktop Support Engineer with CompuCom. Katherine is a self-employed bookkeeper.


**Louise Johnston**, Class of ’30, Belle Fourche, receives a visit from Tom Wheaton, Director of Alumni Relations on October 31st. Her entire education took place on the Spearfish campus starting in 1914 as a first-grader and continuing through graduation from Spearfish Normal School in 1930. At the time of this photo, Louise was 99. She turned 100 on November 30th, 2007.

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**Larry Haven**, Class of ’95, and wife Jennifer (Popple), Class of ’94, Wausau, Minn., had a baby girl, Meredith Elle, Jan. 18, 2007. She joins older sister Chloe Ann. Jennifer is a special education and Reading Recovery teacher at Wausau public school.

**Christina (Houghton) Martin**, Class of ’97, and husband Shawn, Spearfish, had a baby boy, Jerrin Ellis, April 30, 2007. Christina is a Licensed Personal Assistant with the Real Estate Center in Spearfish.


**Jessa Stebbins**, Class ‘01, Sioux Falls, and husband Nick had a baby boy, Logan Thomas, Dec. 20, 2006. He was 20 inches long and weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz. Jessi works for Liberty Mutual Insurance as the District Sales Manager for the North Houston Market.

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BHSU honors alumni during Swarm Week

Several Black Hills State University alumni were honored during the recent Swarm Week activities. The 2007 honorees were (from left to right): Distinguished Alumnae Mona Chancellor, Class of ’60; Janet Hensley, Class of ’69; Special Service Award recipient Langford W. Palmer, Class of ’60; Special Achievement Award recipient John Karinen, Class of ’58; Excellence in Education Award recipient Janet Joy Krautschun, Class of ’73; and Special Achievement Award recipient John Kartlen, Class of ’58.

In Memory Of

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Dakota Territory/Spearfish Normal School

Bethel Jensen DeCary, Attended, Salt Lake City, Utah
Celestine (Kovarik) Doran, Attended, Sturgis
Emilie C. (Rieman) Fugate, Class of ’45, Rapid City
Mildred E. (Gaudig) Reichert, Attended, New Underwood
Helen L. (Philippot) Richards, Attended, Sturgis
Agnes E. (Cowell) Russell, Class of ’32, Snake River, Colo.
Mary E. (Postlewait) Topinka, Attended, Gillette, Wyo.

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Black Hills Teachers College

Fern L. (Hoyt) Burgdorf, Attended, Argyle, Minn.
William A. Fassbender, Class of ’52, Newcastle, Wyo.
Mabel O. Hanson, Class of ’62, Vermillion
Dorothy “Jane” (Fuller) Hobbs, Class of ’59, MS ’67, ‘70, Carmichael, Calif.
Dale Kirchenbauer, Attended, Santa Paula, Calif.
Robert “Bob” L. Kohn, Class of ’47, Canter
Donna G. (Heinbaugh) McLaughlin, Attended, Rapid City
Dale McLaughlin, Class of ’50, Rapid City
Erma (Wellman) Ommen, Class of ’52, Gillette, Wyo.
James C. Patrick, Class of ’59, Portland, Ore.
William “Bill” Plunkett, Attended, Whitewood
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Order Black Hills State University merchandise online

The BHSU bookstore has many items featuring the Yellow Jacket mascot as well as specialized alumni merchandise. To view these and other items visit: www.BHSUBookstore.com.
New scholarships for math and science education majors at BHSU

Black Hills State University math and science education students were awarded with scholarships from the John T. Vucurevich Foundation, which recently donated $60,000 to go towards scholarships for students studying in the math and science education field. Present for the award banquet were: (front row) John Klooster, freshman from Sioux Falls; Derek Dahrendorf, freshman from Rapid City; Traci G Katie Hilt, sophomore from North Sioux City; Hayley Hookman, freshman from Onida; Amanda Heying, freshman from Lead; Kristina Schlapphofer, sophomore from Yankton; (back row) Renee Parker, Vucurevich Foundation; Carrie Hanesch, Vucurevich Foundation; Dale Clement, Vucurevich Foundation; Richard Hamilton, freshman from Rapid City; (olene Puthoff, junior from Sioux Falls; Zachary Bean, freshman from Custer; Jason Schumacher, freshman from Deadwood; April Oesterling, junior from Emergy; Graham Larson, sophomore from Hogfors; William Parnes, junior from Box Elder; and Charles Poljak, sophomore from Sioux Falls and Paul Pfeifer, Vucurevich Foundation.

John T. Vucurevich grew up in Lead, where he learned the value of hard work, telling the truth, the need for keeping sound spiritual values, and the importance of helping those persons less fortunate. He felt that community service was very important and served in both the South Dakota House of Representatives and Senate, and was also an active supporter of higher education. He was a successful banker, and his success allowed him to create the John T. Vucurevich Foundation to carry out his goal “to make a piece of the world a brighter place.”

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V en as the water is being pumped from the former Homestake Mine, the Center for the Conservation of Biological Resources (CCBR) at BHSU is taking an active role conducting genetic analysis of microbes found in water samples from the Sanford Underground Science and Engineering Laboratory (SUSEL).

Jake Miller, a pre-med student from Pierre, along with Dr. Cynthia Anderson, associate director of the CCBR, are sequencing bacterial and archaeal clones of samples taken from the former Homestake Gold Mine. The research will try to identify new microorganisms from samples of the water at the 3,000-foot level, the 4,000-foot level and the 4,850-foot level. In the CCBR lab, Miller and Anderson compare the genetic sequences of the known organisms searching for undiscovered organisms.

The genetic analysis, which will continue through the next few months, is part of a research project led by Dr. Sookie Bang from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. Results from this study are expected in about a year.

Anderson says they are excited to be working on one of the first experiments at SUSEL. The research team has already discussed and stimulated ideas and discussion of future research projects in conjunction with the development of SUSEL.

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The total fall enrollment at BHSU is 4,004 students, an increase of 108 students from the previous year. This is only the second time in the school’s history that enrollment has been over the 4,000 mark.

BHSU President Kay Schallenkamp attributes the impressive increase to a number of factors including an significant increase in retention as well as continuing growth.

...continue currently developing research ideas and will be submitting research proposals to the National Science Foundation.

The first-ever American Indian College Scholarship Gala a great success

Black Hills State University takes the "LEED" with sustainability

Nearby 400 regional students attend Supreme Court sessions at BHSU
BHSU in the news

BHSU receives $600,000 for genomics transition scholarships

Black Hills State University has been awarded a $598,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to implement the BHSU Integrative Genomics Transition Scholarship Program. The grants will provide financial and academic support for undergraduate students with financial need who are committed to earning a master of science degree in Integrative Genomics (MSiG).

The BHSU Integrative Genomics Transition Scholarship Program will award an average of $10,000 a year to 20 MSiG students over five years. In addition the scholarship grant provides 10 scholarships a year to students to attend the annual undergraduate American Indian Biologi- cal education majors with an interest in pursuing the MSiG degree in the summer program, will provide expert mentoring, academic support, and research training for the students.

BHSU is a partner in grants of nearly $6 million for teacher education enhancement

BHSU is a partner in a funding group of nearly $6 million that will be used to enhance teacher education programs with several of the grants focusing on increasing the number of math and science teachers.

BHSU, which has the largest teacher education program in the state, will call upon the strengths of the existing education programs as these new initiatives are developed.

“These grant funds will be instrumental as Black Hills State University continues to take the lead in developing innovative learning opportunities,” Dr. Kay Schallenkamp, president of Black Hills State University, says. “These advances will position BHSU as a national leader in teacher preparation innovation. We are meeting the national call for high quality science and math teacher preparation programs.”

Nationwide, there is a growing need for math and science teachers and BHSU is responding to that need in a vari- ety of ways. These grants enhance the University’s efforts to increase the number of highly qualified teachers available in the state. Schallenkamp noted that math and science education is a priority for BHSU. The S.D. Board of Regents this year designated the increase of math and science education is a priority for BHSU. The S.D. Board of Regents this year designated the increase of math and science education is a priority for BHSU. The S.D. Board of Regents this year designated the increase of math and science educators as one of BHSU’s performance indicators.

A new Exemplary Leadership Award has been given to: The Collaboration for the Advancement of College Teaching and Learning honors late BHSU faculty member Stewart Bellman, who passed away five years ago.

Bellman was a dedicated professor who worked to continually improve teaching and learning. He served as a member of the collaboration and held several execu- tive positions on its board, including chair and vice chair. The Exemplary Leadership Award seeks to honor those collaboration members who uphold Bellman’s commit- ment to improving college education. Any participating member or group can be nominated to receive the award, which includes a $1,000 cash prize.

Bellman was a fixture on the BHSU campus during his 30 years as a professor of English. From 1966 to 1996, Bellman was a champion of both students and faculty, and has had a positive effect on the development of both. He served as president of the South Dakota Council of Teachers of English, chair of the South Dakota Humanities Council, and founded the Dakota Writing Project. He also served as faculty advisor to the University of BHSU English Department.
**BHSU faculty in the news**

Gates Millennium Scholarship recipients named for BHSU

Several BHSU students were chosen to receive the prestigious Gates Millennium Scholarship. This scholarship is awarded to quality Native American students among 150 nationwide that received the Gates Scholarship Award. Each of the recipients completed an extensive and highly competitive application process to qualify for the scholarships. Recipients are chosen for their academic achievement, community service, and leadership ability. At the reception the recipients introduced themselves and gave an overview of their educational and career plans. The scholarship recipients noted that accepting this endowed scholarship strengthened their resolve to earn a degree. Several of the recipients mentioned that the unmet financial needs made it possible for them to pursue a degree.

The scholarship winners and their advisors gathered at BHSU President Kay and Dr. Ken Schallenkamp’s home for a reception dinner in their honor. Pictured left to right are; (front) Susan Dana, BHSU associate business professor; Kaitlyn Dupont, Education major from Dupree; Jenny Keiderling, junior human services major from Dupree; Sandra Marker, BHSU assistant history and social science professor; Kaylyn Twu Bulls, freshmen education major from Pine Ridge; Carol Hess, BHSU education professor; Max, 10 Mo, freshman from Kyle; (back) Dr. Charles Lamb, BHSU science professor; and Chad Kruckenberg, career advisor. Not pictured is Chetise Rossy, freshmen biology major from Martin.

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The men’s and women’s cross country teams post-
ed another successful season under the direction of Head Coach Scott Walmehn.

The running Yellow Jackets left Spearfish and headed to Kenosha, Wis. with one major goal, entering the National Championships to finish high-
er than they were rated enter-
ing the meet.

The men’s team entered the meet tied for fifth, while the women were rated 122. The results concluding the championship meet had a different story as the Lady Yellow Jackets posted three personal bests out of their seven competing run-
ers and finished in the 9th position in the team scoring.

Wendy O’Lexey (Rock Springs, Wyo.) was the top finisher for the Lady Yellow Jackets, taking All-American honors by finishing 9th, with a personal best 17:38, in a field of 268 runners. Teammate Kerry Washburn (Cheyenne, Wyo.) also earned All-American status finishing in the top 20 runners when she posted a 5:00.50 mile time of 18:24, which was good for 29th place. After coming back from a late season injury junior Alicia Vorhuls (Ralph) managed to put a solid race together finishing right ahead of teammate Sheila Scheffer (Lovell, Wyo.). The pair both posted times of 19:04 and finished in the 88th and 89th positions.

Katie Cook (Cheyenne, Wyo.) was the fifth runner for the Lady Yellow Jackets finishing in 125th. Katie posted a personal best time of 19:23. The final two runners for BHSU were Kalia Ivers (Wray, Colo.) and Kayla Ferguson (Raton, Colo.) finishing in the 197th and 222nd posi-
tions. The Lady Yellow Jackets tallied a team score of 235 points giving them an 8th place out of 29 teams. The Lady Yellow Jackets tallied a team score of 202 points giving them a runner-up finish at the National Championships. The Yellow Jackets have been extremely young, led by two freshmen - quarterback Hodgs and running back Tanner Ehrlich. The two freshmen have stepped up to help the Yellow Jackets have a balanced attack. Senior Matt Frankenfield had been the anchor of the offensive line helping pave the way for Ehrlich. Senior tight end Matt Minter and wide receivers junior Joe Bebich, sophomore Ryan Fagenstrom, and sophomore Corey Wheeler have all stepped up in the passing game. The Yellow Jackets are led by a veteran nucleus behind senior defensive lineman Rodney Wasche and senior safety Tanner Tetrault. Defensively, the Yellow Jackets shut out two teams and had many games where they held teams to just seven points.

The Yellow Jackets have been very successful the past three years. They finished 12th in 2005 season 7-3, the 2006 season 8-3 winning the Dakota Athletic Conference (DAC) and making a trip to the NAIA Playoffs, and 7-3 in 2007 sharing the DAC Title and earning another trip to the NAIA Playoffs all under the direction of Coach John Scott.

Cross Country Continued from page 30 rating the 2nd and 6th place teams. The Yellow Jackets managed to put together a team score of 202 points giving them a runner-up finish at the National Championships. BHSU had three All-Americans led by senior Allen Wood (Maple Valley, Wash) 11th, Cody Bordewyk (Livermore, Colo.) 18th, and Trent Waage (Aberdeen) 24th. “I believe this was the first time we’ve had three All-Americans in the same national meet,” stated Coach Walmehn. “These three were instrumental in helping our team finish second.” Mike Nukida (Hot Springs) was the fourth finisher for the Yellow Jackets, finishing 94th in an 8,000 meter time of 26:12. Birch Harden (Billings, Mont.) rounded out the team scoring in the men’s race in a 133rd place in a field of 258 participants and a time of 26:31. Tyrone White (Eagle Butte) and KC Fiedler (George, Iowa) were the final two finishers for the Yellow Jackets in the 143rd and 161st posi-
tions. The runners-up finish at the national cham-
ionships is the third time for the Yellow Jackets men’s squads in the past eight seasons.

In addition, the men and women’s teams were also honored in the combined team scoring with a 3rd place fin-
ish. Kenny Washburn and Trent Waage earned academic All-Scholar honors.

BHSU cross country team finishes in top ten at nationals

The BHSU men’s cross country team were runners-up at the National Championships with a team score of 202 points. Pictured left to right are Coach Scott Walmehn, Allen Wood (All-
American), Mike Nukida, Cody Bordewyk (All-American), Birch Harden, Tyrone White, KC Fiedler, Trent Waage (All-American), and Assistant Coach Trent Mack.

The 1996-97 women’s basketball team was inducted into the Yellow Jacket Hall of Fame during the recent 2007 homecoming celebration at Black Hills State University. Members of the 1996-97 team attending the celebration were: back row, left to right, Melinda Oster, Krysti Dykes Delahoyde, Becky (Bunting) Kaczynski, Jill Ellen Hofer Salmen, and Jennifer Pedersen; mid-
dle row, left to right, Assistant Coach Katie Dalley, Jackey Myers, Coni (Ring-
wood) Engelhardt, Stephey Kelley, Sara (Wels) Klein, Traci (Schek) Dana, Kim (Rochlitz) Niemann, Student Assistant Della Autthier, and Head Coach Robin Schambler; and, front row, left to right, Michelle Artery, Cindy (Winjum) Ross, and Tracy (Winjum) Meyers.
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Update alumni news

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Spouse's name ____________________________________ A BHSU graduate? (If so, list year) ________________
Address ____________________________________________________________________________
Phone_________________________ Email ____________________________________________________________________________________________
Employment ____________________________________________________________________________
Note or news items ____________________________________________________________________________

Send to: BHSU Alumni Magazine Unit 9506, 1200 University, Spearfish, S.D. 57799-9506 or submit news items to Tom Wheaton, Director of Alumni Relations, at TomWheaton@BHSU.edu.

Looking ahead

Student Volunteer Awards Celebration
April 5

Class of '58 Reunion and 50-year Club Reunion
May 9-10

Annual Gold Dust Yellow Jacket Golf Tournament
June 28

Visit www.BHSU.edu/125years for Quasquicentennial Events

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Although many things have changed on the campus as BHSU has grown and evolved in the passing decades, Woodburn Hall (shown here framed through the columns of Pangburn Hall) remains a familiar sight and is one of the most recognizable buildings. The original photograph, taken in 1951, was recreated in 2008 as BHSU celebrates its Quasquicentennial.