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- Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr.



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HELLO FROM THE *President*

I am delighted to provide this welcome as the Interim President at Black Hills State University. I began my duties on July 1 and have been enjoying working closely with my leadership team, meeting many dedicated staff, and engaging with the Spearfish community. As we enter the academic year, we are welcoming new and returning students and kicking off an exciting year.

Many of you know that I am a South Dakota native. I grew up on a family farm in Moody County near Flandreau and Colman, S.D. I attended South Dakota State University as an undergraduate and earned graduate degrees at Colorado State University and Ohio State University. Having started my career as a high school teacher in Hill City some 40 years ago, it is most fitting that I return to the beautiful Black Hills all these years later to “cap off” my career. Since spending the last three years at the University of Wyoming, I am truly honored to come home and serve as Interim President at BHSU this year.

This is an exciting time for BHSU as we hone in on several priorities identified in the strategic plan. After considerable discussion, three priorities have risen to the top of the list for additional focus in the coming year. These include:

- Stabilizing and growing enrollment where a strategic enrollment plan is under development including enhanced recruitment and retention efforts;
- Academic offerings with an eye on aligning programs to tomorrow’s regional workforce needs;
- Community and regional engagement including economic/workforce development, K-12 and technical school partnerships, and alumni/donor relations.

I look forward to sharing more about each of these in the coming months, as I continue to listen and learn about BHSU and regional needs.

Please introduce yourself if you see me out in the community or throughout the region. I hope to see many of you at Yellow Jacket athletics or campus events. I would love to meet as many alumni and friends of BHSU as possible.

I value the love and support you hold for BHSU. I know your support makes us a stronger university.

Thank you!

Here’s to a great year! Go Jackets!

Dr. Laurie Nichols, Interim President



BHSU International Students visit Mount Rushmore



Remi Wientjes, elementary education major from Onida



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THRIVING KOMBUCHA BUSINESS GETS ITS START AT BHSU



Bianca Hutzler (left) and Carissa Hauck launched their kombucha business thanks to start-up funding secured in their Small Business Management course at BHSU.

Photo credit: Becca Shelbourn

Carissa Hauck, '18, and Bianca Hutzler, attending, walked into a BHSU Small Business Management course with a business pitch, and walked out with start-up funding. Several months later that business, Scobi Kombucha, celebrated its official launch Feb. 16 in Spearfish.

"In the Small Business Management course, student groups present their idea to a panel of experts in hopes of getting a small loan to start their business," explained Dr. Jeffrey Wehrung, chair of the School of Business. "I have never seen any pitch, student or otherwise, that was better prepared, rehearsed, and professionally presented. By the end of the presentation, our panel committed to providing funding for half the cost to start the business."

Carissa and Bianca believe that not only the Small Business Management course, but all their other BHSU business and entrepreneurship classes, too, were great preparation for their startup.

One of the many things that differentiate Scobi Kombucha from other kombucha businesses is that the product is handcrafted.

Carissa and Bianca use small batch jars before hand-filling the liquid in environmentally-friendly glass bottles.

"Kombucha is a fermented tea that has a sour and sweet taste. It is both healthy and tastes good. It is a great alternative to drinking soda," explained Carissa.

Scobi Kombucha is now available in 10 locations throughout the Black Hills.

ALUM RUNS ONE-OF-A-KIND MEDIA FIRM IN RAPID CITY

Create ideas, consult with the boss, and execute the plan. This formula led Jenna Carda, '14, to produce content for seven profitable magazines just three years after graduating from BHSU.

Jenna is the managing director of Evergreen Media in Rapid City, a team of creative professionals producing nearly 1 million printed copies of magazines per year. She started at the company as an intern and was quickly promoted to a full-time Marketing Strategist handling social media one month later. Since then, she has earned four promotions, leads a team of 9 creatives, and manages 32 social media platforms in addition to planning content for their publications.

"I really love promotion and I love strategy—helping guide people who've made an investment to make their dreams a reality," says Jenna.

Originally from Miles City, Mont.,

Jenna attended BHSU for a year before transferring to a larger school in her home state. She returned to BHSU one semester later with a new appreciation for the smaller class sizes and lower tuition in Spearfish.



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Meeting Dr. Mary Caton-Rosser, professor of mass communication at BHSU, inspired Jenna's career path.

"I was in the Basic Newswriting course with Mary, and I remember thinking 'this lady is so passionate about content.' My first article I had ever written got published in the student newspaper, and that started an entirely new course for my future career thanks to her," says Jenna.

Jenna is now working with Mary and other BHSU professors to build a new internship program at Evergreen Media. This summer, Evergreen hosted three BHSU student interns.

With a new location in downtown Rapid City, Jenna says Evergreen Media has gained more visibility and operates with a renewed vision of serving the Black Hills.

"My boss chose a 27-year-old to lead his company, and that is a huge honor."

MONTILEAUX NAMED YOUNG READERS AUTHOR OF THE YEAR

Photo credit: South Dakota Humanities Council

Artist Donald F. Montileaux, attended, is the 2019 Young Readers One Book South Dakota author. As part of this South Dakota Humanities program, 10,000 free copies of Don's book, "Tatanka and Other Legends of the Lakota People," are being distributed to elementary students across the state. The book is written in both English and Lakota.

"If second graders could vote, I might run for governor," joked Don, noting he was pleased to personally deliver books to students from Edgemont to Spearfish.

The goal of the Young Readers Initiative is to excite children about books and prevent summer reading loss. Don's presentation in October during the Festival of Books in Deadwood will broadcast to South Dakota classrooms where students can ask questions of the award-winning author in real-time.

A member of the Oglala Lakota Oyate, Don was born in Pine Ridge and studied at the New Mexico Institute of American Arts. He attended Black Hills State from 1969-71. He describes that time on campus as a "gel of cultures" including Vietnam veterans, miners, cowboys, and hippies.

"I'll never forget our art professor Mrs. Henderson. She did an extremely good job keeping this diverse set of students on track to achieve our goals," said Don.

Following his time at BHSU, Don taught in a mobile art van throughout the Dakotas. He worked at the Sioux Indian Museum and Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City before becoming a full-time artist.

A 2014 South Dakota Hall of Fame inductee, Don specializes in ledger art capturing the Lakota way of life through colorful and vibrant drawings. One of his pieces, "Con.Fron.Ta.Tion" hangs in the BHSU Library.

ALUM SAVES FORMER BHSU PRESIDENT FLICKEMA'S EYESIGHT



Dr. Nathan Steinle

Dr. Nathan Steinle, '01, is a surgical retina specialist and partner at California Retina Consultants in Southern California. His practice has 30 clinical trials enrolling at any given time and his days are spent in clinic, in the operating room, and conducting national research projects in ophthalmology.

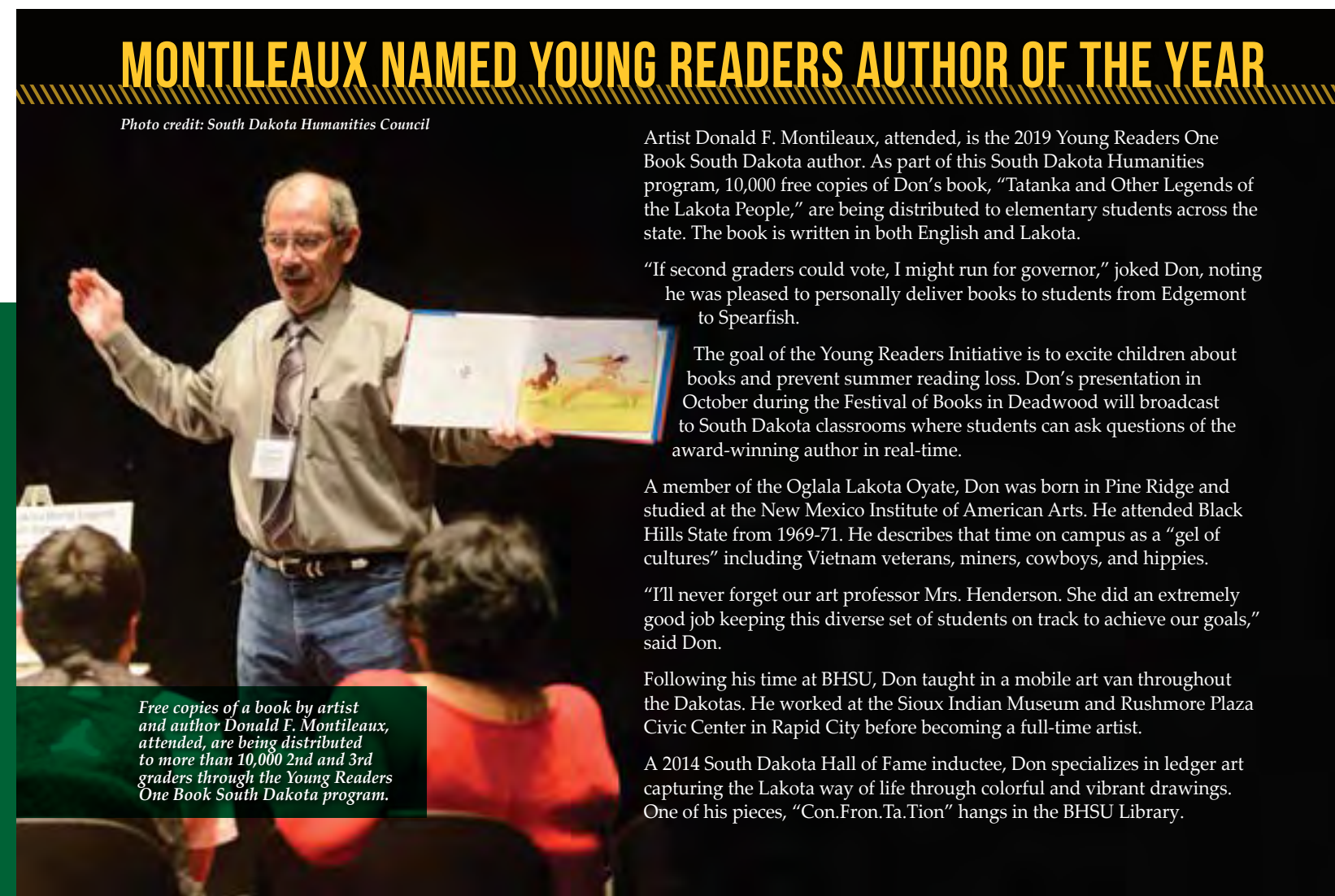
Born and raised in Sturgis, Nathan says he was exposed to medicine at a young age as his father worked at the medical lab at the Fort Meade VA. A career in medicine was the perfect way to combine Nathan's love of science and his desire to help others.

"At BHSU the science department was superb, and two professors in particular pushed me to achieve my goals: Dr. Charles Lamb and Dr. George Rinker," says Nathan.

Nathan still maintains a South Dakota medical license and covers for Dr. Prema Abraham at the Black Hills Regional Eye Institute.

"I love returning to South Dakota to see family and provide retina care for the wonderful citizens of western South Dakota," says Nathan.

Read about how Nathan helped save former BHSU President Dr. Tom Flickema's eyesight at www.BHSU.edu/Alumni



Free copies of a book by artist and author Donald F. Montileaux, attended, are being distributed to more than 10,000 2nd and 3rd graders through the Young Readers One Book South Dakota program.



Jackson

CREATES A WORLD OF POSSIBILITIES FOR BHSU



From his first moment on campus, to his last walk down the Ida Henton Park stairs, Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr., the 10th President of Black Hills State University, always acknowledged the remarkable spirit of the university bearing the name of the magnificent Black Hills.

“The Spirit of the Hills that I discovered when I first came to this region makes BHSU a unique place filled with possibilities. Those opportunities are furthered through the alumni, faculty, staff, and community members who inspire our students every day,” said Jackson.

In May, Jackson announced his appointment to serve as President of

Humboldt State University (HSU) in Arcata, Calif., beginning July 1, 2019. Jackson noted he felt honored to serve as BHSU President and expressed his sincere appreciation for each person he worked with and met over the last five years.

“Black Hills State University is a special place with exceptional educational opportunities,” Jackson said. “The people on campus and in the community are truly inspiring to our students. It has been gratifying to get to know BHSU alumni and students. You are what makes this University special, and your commitment to BHSU will ensure it remains strong well into the future.”

Jackson, who served as BHSU President since 2014, provided strong leadership and vision for the University. He created an environment for high-quality, innovative academic programs and exceptional learning opportunities. Under his leadership, BHSU earned several accreditation milestones in business, education, and at the university-wide level. Jackson supported an increase in grant dollars to more than \$4.1 million. Several new academic programs were added under Jackson’s tenure to meet student and workforce needs in the region. BHSU has had a record number of graduates in recent years.

Around campus, Jackson was known for sharing lesson-based stories that looped back to the value of higher education.

A first generation student himself, Jackson was an inspiration to the many BHSU students who are the first in their families to attend college. During his five years at BHSU, Jackson enhanced the University’s legacy of providing educational opportunities for American Indians and formed strong bonds with Tribal universities in the state. BHSU was selected by the Board of Regents to administer and provide leadership for GEAR UP, a federal program to increase awareness of higher education opportunities for low-income and American Indian students.

His extensive international experience opened doors for increased study abroad and service learning programs, along with the addition of new international partners. Under Jackson’s leadership, BHSU increased the University’s presence in the community including membership on a diverse group of boards and committees as well as civic clubs and service organizations.

A multi-engine instrument-rated pilot, Jackson showed his Yellow Jacket spirit in a unique way – by having the wings of his 1978 Grumman AASA painted in BHSU colors. He flew to Dickinson, N.D., to surprise the BHSU Rodeo Team members who could not attend commencement due to a rodeo competition, personally congratulating and delivering the students’ diplomas.

Jackson is a veteran of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, Army National Guard, Texas State Guard, and Indiana Guard Reserve. Early in his presidency, he suggested piloting a reduced tuition rate matching federal government tuition assistance for active duty military personnel taking classes at BHSU-Rapid City. The reduced rate covers the full cost of a military student’s education. The success of the tuition pilot program was recognized and is now used by University Centers across the state.

Originally from Seattle, Wash., Jackson is married to Mona Kumar Jackson. Mona is co-owner of Killian’s Tavern and owner/operator of Ventana, an international boutique on Main Street in Spearfish. The Jacksons have two children: Thomas (TJ) and Chandi, who is a freshman at BHSU this fall.

Prior to accepting the presidency at BHSU, Jackson held leadership roles at other universities, including vice president for student affairs at the University of Louisville, vice president for student affairs at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, dean of students at McMurry University, director of the Student Activities Center at the University of Texas-El Paso, academic development specialist at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo, area coordinator at the University of Southern California, and assistant director of residence life at St. Mary’s University (San Antonio). He was also president of the American College Personnel Association in 2009-10, serving as the elected CEO and spokesperson for 8,500 student development professionals from 27 countries and 1,300 institutions.

Jackson holds a doctor of education degree in educational management from the University of La Verne in California. He has a master’s degree in counseling/student personnel from Pennsylvania’s Shippensburg University, a bachelor’s degree in business management/personnel from Southwest (Minn.) State University, and an associate’s degree from Highline Community College in Midway, Wash.



Left to right: Dr. Lionel Bordeaux, '64, President of Sinte Gleska University in Mission; Jackson; Dr. Ann Bolman, President of Western Dakota Tech in Rapid City; Dr. Randy Rhine, President of Chadron State College in Chadron, Neb.; Dr. Ronald Shape, President of National American University in Rapid City; and Dr. James Rankin, President of South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in Rapid City.



Jackson presented diplomas to BHSU rodeo student-athletes at a reception for rodeo team graduates in May. Because the spring rodeo season overlaps with Commencement at BHSU, rodeo team members miss the opportunity to walk across the stage in front of their family and friends to publicly receive their diplomas. BHSU has a legacy of champion rodeo teams.

BHSU ACHIEVEMENTS

UNDER JACKSON'S LEADERSHIP

ACCREDITATIONS: BHSU earned an extension of the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) accreditation, which is held by only 5% of the world’s business schools. BHSU also renewed the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) accreditation. The Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) named BHSU the first university in the state to earn CAEP accreditation.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS: Responding to the increased need for global education, both at home and abroad, BHSU increased global partnerships to 21 entities across the world. Students can now participate in two long-standing service-learning experiences per year in either the Philippines or Botswana. BHSU students were the first Americans to study at Baoding University in China in 2018.

INFRASTRUCTURE: Jackson oversaw numerous campus facility improvements including the opening of the University’s first new residence hall in 50 years, establishment of the Underground Campus at Sanford Lab, remodeling of Jonas Science to serve as the state-of-the-art Sanford Science Education Center, establishment of the Admissions Welcome Center, the opening of the Joy (Proctor) Krautschun Alumni/Foundation Welcome Center, and enhanced landscaping which was recognized with the Spearfish Chamber of Commerce Business Beautification Award in 2018.

SUSTAINABILITY: Jackson set assertive sustainability goals and updated the campus’ Climate Action Plan. BHSU was the first university in the state to install solar panels on a university building and was named a Tree Campus USA in 2017, 2018, and 2019 and a Bee Campus USA in 2019. BHSU is the first and only institution in South Dakota to achieve Bicycle Friendly University status.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT: With Jackson’s leadership, BHSU increased student engagement and organizations, established an aggressive Enrollment Management Plan, created and implemented a Strategic Plan, and developed revised mission, vision, and values statements. BHSU had a record number of graduates throughout Jackson’s tenure.

SCHOLARSHIPS: The University awarded nearly \$2 million in scholarships (an increase of 82% in Foundation scholarships since 2014) and created new scholarships for local and regional students. Jackson oversaw the completion of the first capital campaign for \$26 million and initiated the second campaign, currently at \$38 million.

ATHLETICS: Yellow Jacket Athletics added two additional sports - women’s soccer and women’s triathlon - during Jackson’s tenure. Scholar-athletes earned national recognition for exceptional grade point averages. Since joining NCAA Division II competition in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference (RMAC), the Yellow Jackets have earned 71 RMAC All-Academic titles and 438 designations on the Academic Honor Roll. BHSU athletes have also earned two national titles and 22 All-American designations.

COLLABORATION: Jackson placed a priority on strengthening collaborations with all higher learning institutions in the West River region, including the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, the area Tribal Colleges, Western Dakota Technical Institute, Chadron State College, and National American University.

"IT ALL STARTED AT BHSU"

NEURO-ONCOLOGIST THANKS BHSU PROFESSORS



Lt. Col. Brett Theeler, M.D., '01, received an Honorary Doctorate of Science during the Spring Commencement Ceremony. An Honorary Doctorate is the highest honor bestowed by the South Dakota Board of Regents and BHSU for outstanding service and exemplary achievements within the recipient's fields of endeavor.

Theeler graduated from BHSU in 2001 with a degree in biology. After 18 years of formal education, including medical school, Theeler says his neuroscience class with Dr. Charles Lamb at BHSU, was his "absolute favorite class of (his) entire life at any level of education." Theeler turned neuroscience into his career. He currently serves as deputy chief of the Department of Neurology at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center.

Originally from Mitchell, S.D., Theeler was the first recipient of the \$40,000 Joseph and Martha Nelson Scholarship that is still awarded annually

Lt. Col. Brett Theeler, M.D., Class of 2001, receives an honorary doctorate during the Spring Commencement Ceremony from Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr., former BHSU President.

to high-achieving BHSU students in the sciences. He joined the Army after college and completed medical school at the Uniformed Services University in Bethesda. He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and served in Afghanistan in 2013.

As the only fellowship-trained neuro-oncologist in the Department of Defense, Theeler cares for patients with incurable types of brain cancer. He sees patients from around the world for second opinions and clinical trial evaluations as a clinical collaborator at the National Cancer Institute.

He says he is motivated each day to do better and be better for his patients.

"For me, that means flying out of bed early in the morning to turn my attention immediately to the patients I need to take care of and spending extra time to work out that new clinical trial that may help my future patients," says Theeler.

With the help of his colleagues at Walter Reed and the National Cancer Institute, Theeler has significantly improved access to cutting-edge, multi-disciplinary neuro-oncologic care.

"It all started at BHSU," he says.



Watch a video of Theeler's address to students during BHSU Spring Commencement. www.BHSU.edu/ClassOf2019



Jared Kovall-Scarlett



Makenzie Skovlund



Jase Wilts



Luis Bach



Julie Penney



Baylee LaCompte

6 RECENT GRADUATES

SHARE THEIR FUTURE PLANS

Full-time jobs, internships, and advanced degrees. In this series, BHSU May 2019 Graduates share their future plans.

www.BHSU.edu/ClassOf2019

BHSU RECEIVES HIGHEST STANDARD IN BUSINESS EDUCATION ACCREDITATION THROUGH AACSB



Dr. David Crawford, professor of accounting, is part of the School of Business at BHSU that received an extension of accreditation by AACSB International.

The School of Business received an extension of accreditation by AACSB International (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business). This accreditation is earned by only 5 percent of the world's business schools.

BHSU first received AACSB accreditation in 2014. Once achieved, schools undergo a continuous improvement review every five years.

Dr. Greg Farley, dean of the College of Business and Natural Sciences, said AACSB accreditation leads to higher levels of student success.

"Graduates from accredited programs are offered higher salaries, have more employers interested in them, and have higher performance," said Farley. "This accomplishment reflects the commitment of the School of Business faculty and staff to student success."

BHSU FIRST IN SOUTH DAKOTA TO RECEIVE CAEP ACCREDITATION FOR EDUCATION

Black Hills State University was the first institution in South Dakota to receive accreditation by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP). This means BHSU met rigorous, internationally-recognized standards ensuring excellence in its teacher preparation programs.



Hayley Baker, '18, during her student teaching experience in the Spearfish School District.

"The BHSU School of Education prepares students to be caring, competent and confident teachers. This accreditation recognizes the quality educational experiences at BHSU in collaboration with our PK-12 partners," said Dr. Sharman Adams, dean of the College of Education and Behavioral Sciences.

Adams noted that the BHSU program was accredited with no stipulations, a prestigious designation. BHSU education graduates are highly sought by school districts in the region and worldwide.



Left to right: Tanner Koteck, Shania Mittner, Cayley Schmitt, Kayla Chadwick, and Ty Hill.

BHSU BUSINESS STUDENTS INVEST \$25k FROM FOUNDATION

The BHSU Investment Club worked under guidance of the BHSU Foundation to invest \$25,000 in long-term stocks, bonds, and mutual funds this spring. Each year, the Foundation will donate a portion of the investment profits to Investment Club students in the form of scholarships. The remainder of the profits will remain with the Foundation, whose mission is to provide private gift support for BHSU.

Ron Meeker, '75, a financial planner and member of the BHSU Foundation Board of Directors, said providing money for the students to invest with professional guidance helps the students learn about markets functionality. Meeker said the students follow the same guidelines and policies as the Foundation regarding risk and due diligence.

"It's exciting to see the students give investment reports and have success," said Meeker. "They're learning from the ups and downs of the market and the importance of long-term investment."



Dr. Courtney Huse Wika

"EMPOWERING & CARING"

PROFESSOR NAMED DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AT BHSU

Dr. Courtney Huse Wika, associate professor of English, was named the 2019 Distinguished Faculty member. The highest honor a faculty member can receive, the award is based on high quality teaching, research, and service. Faculty members at BHSU nominate their colleagues for the award.

Huse Wika said she believes in BHSU and in her students, and that recognition by the "powerhouse colleagues" who challenge her is especially humbling.

"Each morning faculty show up, in all sense of the phrase, for our students, for the university, and for each other. I work with some of the brightest, most talented, and creative students, and I enjoy having a front-row seat to their intellectual, professional, and personal growth," said Huse Wika.

Dr. Martin Fashbaugh, chair of the School of Liberal Arts, said students speak very highly of Dr. Huse Wika as a teacher.

"She is a very caring and empowering professor who treats her students with great respect while challenging them creatively and intellectually," said Fashbaugh.

At BHSU, Huse Wika launched the popular Geek Speak lecture series. She served as director of the University Honors Program, director of the Writing Center, and on the Steering Committee for the Veterans' Legacy Project. She was also founding editor of JUR(Y) (the Journal of Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity). Huse Wika earned her Ph.D. and M.A. in English from the University of South Dakota, and her B.A. in English and Philosophy from Augustana University. She has been a member of the BHSU faculty since 2010.

YELLOW JACKETS PLAY IN FIRST RMAC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



Men's Basketball Team, back row L-R; Patrick Mendes, Luke Feely, Stefan Desnica, Antonio Capley, Lane Josi, Edin Hanusa, Fraser Malcolm; front row L-R; Tommy Donovan, Dawson Geuke, Trey Winkler, Connor O'Hearn, Sava Dukic, Dez Stoudamire, Spencer Ederhoff, Makaleb McInnis, Tyler Oliver

The BHSU men's basketball team advanced to the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference championship game this season for the first time in program history. The Yellow Jackets ultimately fell to New Mexico Highlands, 79-66, as the team concluded the historic season with an 18-11 overall record.

In head coach Ryan Thompson's first year at the helm, the Green and Gold hosted an RMAC Tournament first round game for the first time since joining Division II. BHSU took down

Colorado Mesa to move on to the semifinals, where they would face nationally ranked and RMAC regular season champions Colorado School of Mines. The Yellow Jackets pulled off the upset, 86-77, to advance to the championship game against the Cowboys.

Despite a loss in the championship game, BHSU finished the season with the most wins and conference wins since joining the RMAC and Division II. Three players earned All-Conference accolades, including

Fraser Malcolm who was named to the First Team following a senior season in which he averaged 16.0 points per game and eclipsed the 1,000 point and 500 rebound marks for his career.



DISTANCE MEDLEY TEAM PLACES 6TH AT NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Seven Yellow Jackets competed in the track and field nationals in 2018-19. The men's distance medley relay team and Jordyn Huneke (pole vault) made the meet for the indoor season, while Jonah Theisen (steeplechase, 5000), Huneke (pole vault), and Whitney Scott (pole vault) competed at the outdoor championships.

The men's DMR, which was made up of Jordan Theisen, Tristan Hepp, Levi Fried, and Jonah Theisen, finished sixth nationally, earning All-American honors and tying the school record. The Green and Gold sent a DMR team to the national championships for the fifth consecutive year. Huneke took sixth place in the pole vault, also earning All-American accolades.

Huneke and Scott qualified for the outdoor nationals in the pole vault. Jonah Theisen ran both the steeplechase and the 5000 meters. The senior Theisen had a 16th place finish in the 5k. Meanwhile, in the 3000-meter steeplechase, Theisen came in second place, nabbing All-American honors.

Sophomore Jordyn Huneke clears the bar in the pole vault on the way to a sixth place finish at the 2018-19 Division II Indoor Track and Field Championships.

RODEO COMPETES AT CNFR, JOHNSTON THIRD IN ALL-AROUND



Left to Right: Chandler Comfort, KeAnna Ward, Emilee Pauley, Alyssa Lockhart, Carlee Johnston, Tucker Chytka

Johnston took third nationally in the All-Around with 65.0 points, competing in three events. Her best finish in goat tying came in the first go when she was fifth with 6.2. In breakaway roping, Johnston's best finish was 17th in the third go with 3.6. She finished fifth in the third go in barrel racing with 14.42.

Lockhart took 10th in breakaway roping, making it to the final round. Her best result came in the second go when she was 15th with 2.9. She also competed in barrel racing, where her best finish came in the second go where she was ninth with 14.49.

KeAnna Ward and Emilee Pauley each competed in goat tying. Ward's best finish came in the second go when she was 13th with 6.4. Pauley was eighth in the third go with 6.4.

On the men's side, Chandler Comfort competed in team roping, while Tucker Chytka competed in steer wrestling. Comfort's best finish was in the third go when he was 24th with 21.9. Chytka was 16th in the second go with 5.0.

Six members of the BHSU rodeo teams competed at the College National Finals Rodeo. Carlee Johnston finished third in the All-Around competition, while Alyssa Lockhart was 10th in breakaway roping.

"Our team was very talented and worked hard all year, however, I am most impressed with the attitude and character of this team and how they went about being successful," said coach Glen Lammers. "All four of the Yellow Jacket women were recognized as Academic All-Americans for maintaining above a 3.5 GPA. They accomplished a lot in the arena, academically, and in our community. We had a great year in college rodeo and we were very competitive at the finals."

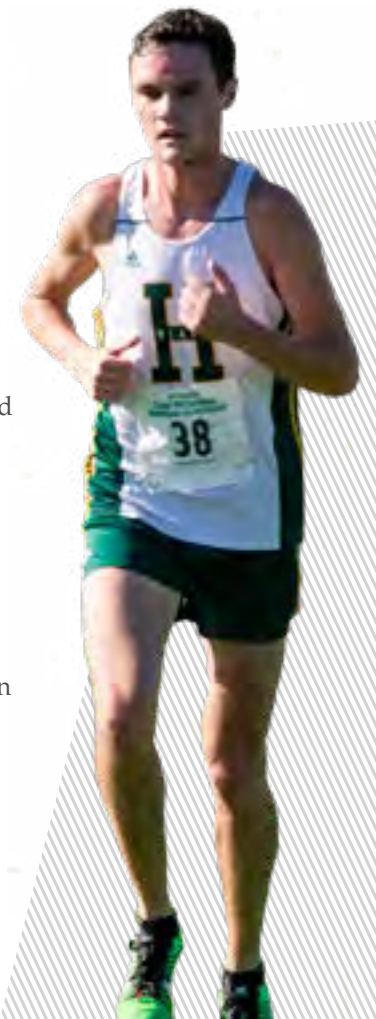
THEISEN EARNS ALL-AMERICAN HONORS, FINISHES SECOND AT NATIONALS

Jonah Theisen wrapped up a tremendous career at BHSU this year competing on the cross country and track and field teams. In his senior year, the Kenai, Alaska, native was a three-time All-American, highlighted by a runner-up finish in the steeplechase, and an Academic All-American.

The physical science and chemistry major graduated with a 3.89 GPA in May. He was named a Google Cloud First Team Academic All-American, the first in school history, and is also the 2018-19 RMAC Male Scholar Athlete of the Year. During his senior year, Theisen was a three-time RMAC Academic First Team member, and overall during his career he earned the accolade six times. He was also named a recipient of a prestigious NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship of which only 126 are awarded across all divisions each year.

Theisen is a nine-time national meet competitor, earning All-American honors seven times in his career. He was the national champion in the steeplechase in 2016, and took second in the same event in 2019. He competed at the national meet all four years with the Distance Medley Relay Team, earning All-American honors all four times. The relay team was third in 2015-16, and took sixth in 2018-19. Theisen also took 14th at the 2018 cross country national championships to be named to the All-American team. His performance helped lead the Yellow Jackets to their best ever team finish at the DII National Championships when they took 16th place.

Theisen is planning to pursue a Ph.D. in chemistry.





SWARM DAYS 2019
Black Hills State University

SWARM WEEK

SEPTEMBER 22-28, 2019

To watch a video from the 2018 Swarm Week celebration, go to [YouTube.com/BlackHillsState](https://www.youtube.com/BlackHillsState)

Schedule of Events

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26 THU	SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON*	12 NOON
	JOY CENTER	
27 FRI	CORONATION	7:00 PM
	MEIER RECITAL HALL	
27 FRI	BURNING OF THE "BH"	DIRECTLY FOLLOWING CORONATION
	MEIER HALL CIRCLE	
27 FRI	ALUMNI AWARDS LUNCHEON**	12 NOON
	JOY CENTER	
27 FRI	HIKE TO THE "H"	3:00 PM
	LEAVE FROM STUDENT UNION ATRIUM	
27 FRI	HALL OF FAME BANQUET**	6:00 PM
	JACKET LEGACY ROOM	
28 SAT	SWARM DAY PARADE	10:00 AM
	JACKSON BLVD. & MAIN STREET	
28 SAT	TAILGATE SOCIAL	11:15 AM
	JOY CENTER PATIO	
28 SAT	BHSU FOOTBALL GAME	1:00 PM
	LYLE HARE STADIUM	

*Scholarship Luncheon is invite only

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Alumni Awards

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Mundt

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS

Wayne R. Mundt, '70, a combat medic in the 101st Airborne in Vietnam, Wayne was awarded the Silver Star Medal for Valor, Purple Heart, Bronze Star, and several other honors for his service and gallantry in action. He was wounded on three occasions. After discharge from the Army, Wayne worked in state government encouraging companies to expand to South Dakota. He then started a general contracting company, was successful in real estate sales and development, and retired from the oil industry. Wayne coached numerous youth activities in Spearfish including boxing, basketball, and track. He is a supporter of Wounded Warrior Outdoors, and is an avid Yellow Jacket sports fan. Wayne serves on the BHSU Board of Directors, Capital Campaign, and Real Estate Acquisition Committee. Wayne and Patti, '69, are the proud parents of four sons, and have generously included BHSU in their estate planning.



Vik

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Dr. Tracy (Surdez) Vik, '95, serves as principal of Sonia Sotomayor Spanish Immersion Elementary School in Sioux Falls. In 2006, she and her daughter founded Project Warm-Up to create blankets for area youth in need. To date, over 22,000 blankets have been delivered to children due to homelessness, financial and health concerns, loss of a parent, placement in foster care, or for other tragedies. Tracy received several awards for her service including the 2018 South Dakota District Sertoma Service to Mankind Award and the 2014 South Dakota Education Association Human and Civil Rights Award. She previously served as assistant principal at Edison Middle School in Sioux Falls, as a technology integration specialist at the South Dakota Department of Education, and as a special education teacher in Converse County in Wyoming. Tracy is married to Todd Vik and together they have four children.



Lindskov

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

Les Lindskov, '71, was chairman for the Black Hills State rodeo his senior year and went on to be named SDRA Champion Bull Rider in 1971. He returned to the family ranch in Isabel, S.D., after graduation. Les and his wife, Marcia, and all four of their sons have expanded their family's farm equipment dealerships across the state along with farm and ranch holdings in western South Dakota and Utah. Their family has entertained over 400 clients at their hunting destinations, Firesteel Creek Lodge and Timber Lake Lodge. The family is currently developing land in several states including the Black Hills of S.D. which they have done for over 30 years. Les served as Game, Fish, & Parks Commissioner for eight years. In addition to his service at BHSU, Les is also a board member for the South Dakota Community Foundation.



Follette

SPECIAL SERVICE

Dr. Everett Follette, '55, pioneered the return of earth science in South Dakota high school curricula and proposed the thriving outdoor education major at BHSU. Everett taught at schools in Sturgis and Custer, and served in the Army, before becoming a science/math professor at Black Hills State in 1965. He taught at BH for 30 years. Prior to his retirement, Everett received a Fulbright fellowship at the University of Iceland to develop a course in teaching science methods. He has served as a volunteer math aide/instructor at Spearfish schools for 16 years. In 2019, Everett and his wife, Joann, received the "Tip of the Spear" Award from Visit Spearfish for their efforts in establishing the Big Hill cross country skiing trail system. Everett and Joann have four children, nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.



Westland

YOUNG ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT

Cheryl (Cowan) Westland, '10; is the owner and operator of Prairie Hills Pharmacy in Belle Fourche. Born and raised on a ranch in Montana, the values of hard work and dedication inspired Cheryl to pursue a degree in biology at BHSU and a pharmacy degree at the University of Montana. During her time at BHSU, Cheryl received the Outstanding Rodeo Scholarship Award from Lantis Enterprises and participated in barrel racing, team roping, and breakaway roping as a student-athlete. Cheryl is proud to provide personalized care as a pharmacist to help her patients "live their best life." She says owning her own pharmacy has been an exciting and rewarding experience. Cheryl and her husband, Curt, have one son.

Yellow Jacket Hall of Fame

2019 INDUCTEES



2003 MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Coached by Scott Walkinshaw, the 2003 Men's Cross Country Team earned second place at the NAIA National Meet and were Dakota Athletic Conference and Region III Champions. Team members include (Kneeling L-R): Jesse Coy, Zach Kintzley, Trent Mack, and Luke Watkins; (Standing L-R): Mike Nekuda, Andy VanDeest, Dennis Newell, Greg Starr, Michael "J.R." Grabinger, Brandon Bertram, Dan VanEngen, Bo Red Bow, Ryan Cowger, and James Hansen.



2005 WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Coached by Scott Walkinshaw, the 2005 Women's Cross Country Team earned second place at the NAIA National Meet and were Dakota Athletic Conference and Region III Champions. Team members include (L-R): Liz Woodruff, Crystal Hostetter, Jessica Marshall, Brianna Marron, Jamie (Hahn) VanDeest, Kerry (Washburn) Nekuda, Kendra (Karst) Mack, Jaime (Adams) Bosl, Wesley (Hardy) Bishop, and Alicia (Verhulst) Porsch (not pictured: Callie Ackerman and Marissa Rotness).



Bentley



Haughian



Nida



Schuurmans



Treick



Finch

Jaime Bentley, '07 & '11, was a three-sport athlete participating in softball, golf, and basketball. In golf, she finished fourth in the NAIA Region III meet with a score of 170 (10 strokes off the lead) and was honored as the No. 1 female golfer in the Dakota Athletic Conference in 2005-06 and 2006-07. She was also the Most Valuable Senior in the conference in 2007. In basketball, Jaime made five 3-point baskets in one game four different times and made 159 threes over her career. Jaime also coached the golf team from 2008-2017.

Lacey Haughian, '08, was a two-time All-American - once in track in the outdoor javelin in 2006 and once in basketball in 2008. In basketball, she set BHSU records in field goal shooting over her career with .542% and blocks in a season with 49 in 2007-08. She was First Team All-Conference and Second Team All-National Tournament Team in 2008 averaging 21 points and 8 rebounds per game in the national tournament. She later played professional basketball in Sweden. In track, she holds the javelin record with a toss of 138' 8.50" in 2006.

Aaron Nida, '93, was an NAIA Honorable Mention All-American in football in 1992 as a defensive back. He was a First Team All-Conference selection in 1989, 1990 and 1992 and First Team All-District in 1992. Aaron pole vaulted 15'0 in 1991 in indoor track, which at the time was second all-time at BHSU. He was the SDIC champion in pole vault in 1990, 1991 and in 1993. He is on the indoor top 10 list at BHSU in the pole vault and 60-meter hurdles. He qualified for indoor nationals in the pole vault in 1992, but did not go because of an injury.

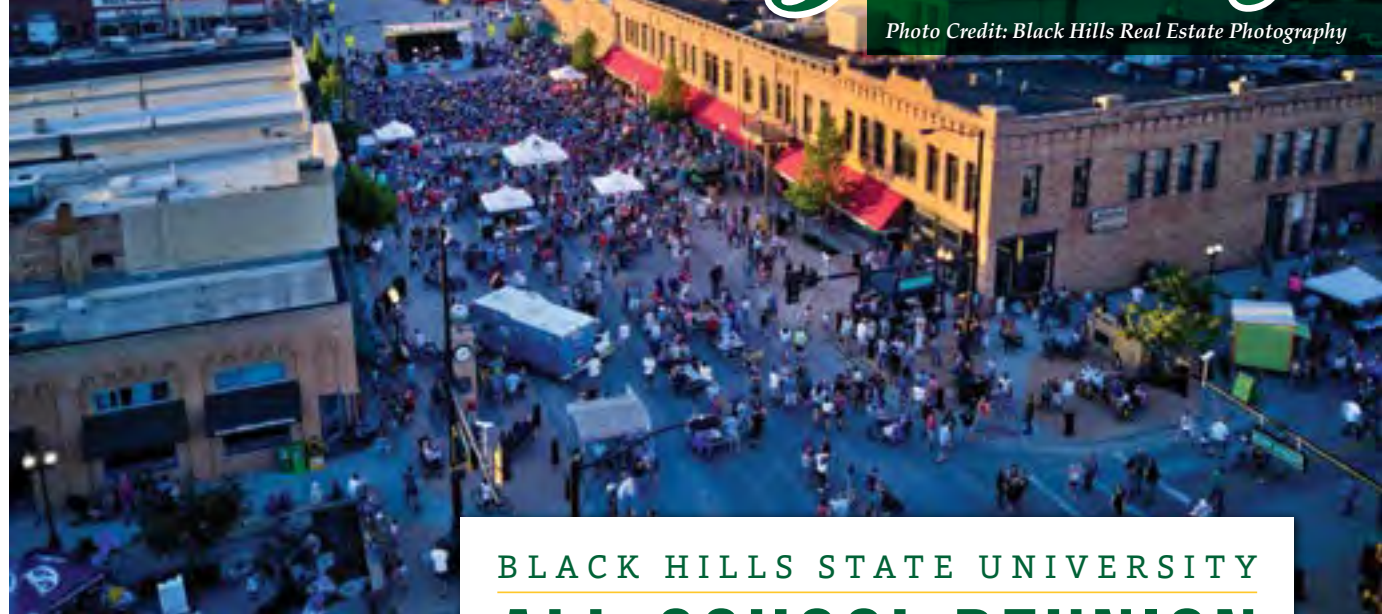
Aubrey (Baxter) Schuurmans, '09, was a nine-time All-American in track (shot put four times, hammer throw and weight throw two times, and the discus once). She was the Indoor 20 lb. Weight Throw National Champion in 2007 and the S.D. and National Record Holder in Indoor Shot Put and National Champion 2007. She holds four BHSU records in the shot put, discus, weight throw and hammer throw. She also set a DAC Indoor Meet record in 2008 in the shot put with a throw of 52-7-1/4 and a DAC Indoor Record for weight throw with a toss of 65'03.00 in 2009.

Tim Treick, attended, was an All-American in the shot put in indoor track in 1974. He set the BHSU record in shot put with a toss of 55' 3 1/4". He placed second in the shot put and discus in the 1974 SDIC meet. In 1975, Tim was the SDIC Champion in the shot put with a throw of 52' 8" and an SDIC Champion in the discus with a throw of 148' 4".

Allen Finch, '79, coached the Glenrock Wyo., boys cross country teams to three state championships, one runner-up and three thirds. His girls teams won 11 third-place finishes. His boys track teams had two state and five regional championships. His girls track teams had two state runner-ups and eight regional championships. He was the WHSCA Boys Track Coach of the Year in 2000-01, the Absaraka Conference Coach of the Year 12 times, the WHSCA Cross Country Coach of the Year in 1985-86, 1986-87, 1992-93 and 2005-06. He was a National High School Athletic Coaches Association Girls Cross Country National Finalist in 2005 and was inducted into the Wyoming High School Coaches Hall of Fame in 2004.

Past Alumni Gatherings

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BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY ALL-SCHOOL REUNION



Alums gathered in Spearfish June 27-29 for the All-School Reunion. Events included receptions, outdoor recreation, tours of local attractions, and opportunities to experience innovations on campus and in the region. BHSU alums My Second Rodeo, Williams & Ree, and Gary Mule Deer drew a huge crowd when they performed at Downtown Friday Nights on Main Street as part of the reunion weekend festivities.



Black Hills State graduates from the Class of 1969 gathered on campus during the spring commencement to celebrate their induction into the 50-Year Club. Each year, classmates from the 50-year class return to campus to celebrate the anniversary of their graduation. Members from prior graduating classes are also invited to attend a banquet in honor of the 50-year class.



Justin Logue received the 2019 Spirit of BH award, presented by President of the Alumni Association, Lauren Beyersdorf.



Aisha Baum, English major from Lead, shares a toast with fellow BHSU students during the Alumni Association-sponsored Toast to the Graduates held at the Joy Center following graduation rehearsal.



Vet's Club members reconnect during the All-School Reunion. Standing L-R: Tom Hills, Wayne Mundt, Kent Larson, Bob Cerney, Scott Nash, Russel Edwards, and Brian Winter; Seated L-R: David Woodrow, Bill Hughes, Don Herrmann, Larry Joachim, and Lynn Nachtigall.

Eighteen graduates from the Class of 1969 gathered on campus during spring commencement to celebrate their induction into the 50-Year Club. Members from the Class of 1969 in attendance at commencement were (left to right): Pat (Sparks) Parks, Susan (Lynn) Maynard, Connie (Vanvactor) White, Linda "Jodie" Simons, Robert "Bob" Young, Dennis Chowen, Olaus Njos, Bruce Morgan, Gary Misterek, Connie (Morrissey) Erickson, E. James Hood, Beverly (Wilson) Marion, Clair F. Maynard, Jr., Betty (Young) Peace, Allan Oberembt, Janet (Batchelder) Fernau, Larry Shuck, and Bruce Brunner.



DESCENDANTS OF MAUDE (CAMPBELL) DANA NAMED 2019 BHSU LEGACY FAMILY

Fourteen descendants of Maude (Campbell) Dana, '17, were honored this spring as the 2019 BHSU Legacy Family. Maude attended Spearfish Normal School from 1916-17, earning her teaching certification.

Jo Conda (Tifft) Dana, '70 & '92, Maude's granddaughter-in-law, researched Maude's years of study through the E.Y. Berry Library-Learning Center at BHSU.

"One item we found was a postcard addressed by Maude to her 'roomie.' Sure enough, we were able to find out through the library that the addressee was her roommate at Spearfish Normal," said Jo Conda.

After achieving her certification, Maude taught for several years in country schools near Mud Butte. She married Orin Dana in 1920 and the couple had seven children. Widowed at a young age, Maude instilled a strong work ethic in her family.

Maude, along with her son, Wayne, attended the school that would become BHSU. Maude's grandson, Mick Dana, '69 & '70, started another line of BH tradition when he and his wife, Jo Conda, graduated from the university. Five of their six children also joined the Yellow Jacket family: Brad Dana, '90; Jesse Dana, '97; Raquelle (Dana) Strawn, attended; Nicole (Dana) Samuelson, '02; and Monique (Dana) Tetrault, attended.

The Dana family is known for their strong support and care of the community in

the fields of dentistry, orthodontia, and financial management.

"Black Hills State University has a special place in our hearts for the education we received, the many wonderful people we met and still continue to meet and the special memories that we are so thankful to have," said Jo Conda. "We thank everyone who was so gracious and we are humbled to have been recipients of this award."

BHSU created the Legacy Family Award in 2008 to honor family members that have attended the university. For more information or to nominate a family, contact Tom Wheaton, director, Alumni Affairs at BHSU, at 605-642-6385 or Tom.Wheaton@BHSU.edu.



BHSU honored the descendants of Maude (Campbell) Dana, Class of 1917, as the 2019 Legacy Family.



L-R at the 40th Old Baldy Golf Classic: Doug Graslie, '74; Geoffrey Slingsby, Doug Hughes, '87; Damian Ederhoff, '86.

40TH OLD BALDY GOLF CLASSIC HELD

The longest running fundraiser for student-athlete scholarships at BHSU, the Old Baldy Golf Classic, was held for its 40th year this spring in Saratoga, Wyo. The tournament was first started in 1979 by Floyd Rummel II, the father of former BH football player, Floyd Rummel III, '79. Henry and Sue Hewitt, whose daughter, Stephanie (Hewitt) Bowen, '95, played volleyball at BHSU, continued the member sponsor role after Rummel. The Gold level sponsor for the tournament this year was Juneks Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram in Spearfish. Their sponsorship kicked off a great tournament that has raised over \$500,000 for student-athlete scholarships over 40 years.



Dr. Charles, '56, and Nyla Schad

SCHAD FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP HONORS FATHER'S LOYALTY TO BHSU

The family of Dr. Charles (Charlie), '56, and Nyla Schad established a scholarship in their memory to be awarded for the first time at BHSU this fall.

Charlie grew up in Eagle Butte and taught at schools in rural Montana and Ziebach County in South Dakota before moving his family to Spearfish. At BHSU he taught in the Lab School, worked in administration, helped establish the middle school teaching certification, secured a President's Residence, and worked to get the Young Center built during his 38-year tenure at BHSU.

Nyla grew up in Dupree. She was involved in the Faculty Wives group at BHSU, the United Church of Christ, and the Hospital Auxiliary. The couple's children remember their parents welcoming BHSU students for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Five of the six Schad children attended BHSU: Terri Dunwoody, '78; Lynette Kelley, attended; Deanna Clarke, attended; Nathel Coca, '82, '85, & '98; and Cami Dohman, '90.

WYOMING TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDED IN MEMORY OF CHARLOTTE BONER

Charlotte Labor Boner, '54, grew up in Rapid City and always wanted to pursue a teaching degree. She was involved in campus activities while pursuing her elementary education degree and was named Swarm Day Queen in 1954. Charlotte and her husband Herman, '53, married in 1957 and made their permanent home in Casper, Wyo. Both were educators in the Natrona County School District where Charlotte taught at Pinedale, North Casper, and Mills Elementary schools until her retirement in 1993.

Charlotte was dedicated to her profession. She had a special gift for making learning fun and caring for not only her students, but their entire family unit.

A recurring \$500 scholarship each semester will be awarded to a Wyoming student majoring in elementary education at BHSU. The scholarship honors Charlotte's compassion, love of teaching, and all the children and families she impacted throughout her career.



Charlotte Labor Boner, '54



Ranny, '65, and Helen Duncan

DUNCAN'S DEDICATION TO BLACK HILLS STATE CONTINUES THROUGH SCHOLARSHIP

The children of Ranny, '65, and Helen Duncan say BHSU was a big part of their family while growing up. When looking for a way to honor their parents, establishing a scholarship at their favorite university was the perfect fit. The Ranny and Helen Duncan Athletic Scholarship will be awarded for the first time this fall.

Ranny, who passed away in 2012, played football, baseball, and participated in music while attending BHSU. Ranny's teaching/coaching career began in Midland and Philip in the mid '60s. He then spent the next two decades teaching and coaching in Spearfish, where coaching football and boys' and girls' varsity basketball were his passions.

Helen continues to reside in Spearfish where she and Ranny raised their children. All four Duncan children attended and graduated from BHSU: Kimberly Hartwig, '90; Kristy Byrd, '91; Heather Janvrin, '96; and Scott Duncan, '01. Scott said his parents both felt Black Hills State offered many advantages close to home.

"We felt strongly about establishing this endowment at Black Hills State. Dad always respected the coaches, Head Football Coach John Reiners, especially," said Scott. "It is our honor to continue to be involved in supporting the Green and Gold. We know our dad would be pleased."

1950s

Everett Follette, '55, longtime professor at BHSU, and his wife Joann, Spearfish, received the Tip of the Spear Award during the 10th anniversary celebration of Visit Spearfish. The couple operated Ski Cross Country, selling ski and snowshoe equipment, and served the area for decades before they retired. They are credited with introducing many to the sport of cross country skiing and starting the trail system at Big Hill that eventually was incorporated into the Forest Service trail system.

1960s

Clarence "Sandy" Huffman, '61 & '63, Lincolnton, N.C., served 42 years as a music teacher in the South Dakota towns of Timber Lake, Martin, and Mobridge as well as in Sterling, Colo. This was followed by 12 years in administration in Worland, Wyo., and Warden, Wash. Sandy retired from Warden Schools with emeritus status and then served one additional year due to staff shortages. Twice ('99 & '09) he was selected as Outstanding Educator in Warden.

'99



Tanya (Tolman) Seeds, '99, Douglas, Wyo., was named Educator of the Year during the Douglas, Wyoming 2019 Community Awards Banquet held at Eastern Wyoming College. Since 2011, Tanya has served as the elementary principal at Douglas Primary School.

1970s

Elaine (Doll) Dunn, '79, Spearfish, was the cover/feature story in the July 2019 issue of Black Hills Lifestyle magazine. In addition to being a public speaker and author, Elaine founded Leading Ladies, the nation's only all-female marathon, in Spearfish.

Jeff Kaitfors, Attended, retired last June after 39+ years at Spearfish High School. Jeff was the last employee at Spearfish High School who was there when the building was constructed in 1989. Jeff retired as the head custodian.

Wayne Mundt, '70, Spearfish, was inducted into the Grand Island (Neb.) Senior High School Athletic Hall of Fame along with his 1962 Boys State Championship Track Team. Wayne participated in high and low hurdles, long jump, high jump, triple jump and ran in the sprint relays. He placed third in the Nebraska high jump and was fifth in the low hurdles. In 1962 Wayne was named to the Omaha World Herald All-Star Track and Field Squad.

Connie (McKee) Sulzbach, Attended, Newell, retired after 47 years with the South Dakota Department of Public Safety's Driver Licensing Program.

1980s

Curt Fiedler, '82, George, Iowa, head coach of the George-Little Rock (G-LR) High School boys track team won the Class 1A State Title at the 2019 Iowa High School Track & Field Championships at Drake Stadium in Des Moines, Iowa. This was the first state title in G-LR's track & field history. In addition to being named the Track Coach of the Year by the sports writers at the Sioux City Journal newspaper, Curt was also named the 1A Track Coach of the Year. Curt stepped down at the end of the season after 35 years as the boys track & field coach at G-LR. He also had a brief two-year stint as assistant coach for a

neighboring district. Through it all, his wife Lori (Hanson) Fiedler, '81, was by his side serving as a mentor and coach to the kids.

Greggory Fuerstenau, '84, Taylorville, Ill., was hired as the new superintendent for the Litchfield School District in Montgomery County in Illinois. Greggory previously served the past 13 years as superintendent for the Taylorville public schools.

Joe Gutierrez, '89 & '13, Sturgis, has been appointed to two national committees with the American Correctional Association for the 2019-21 term: Juvenile Corrections, Chair, and Correctional Definitions, Member. Joe is the Commander of the Western South Dakota Juvenile Services Center in Rapid City for the Pennington County Sheriff's Office.

Penny (Shuster) Louks, '83 & '06, Spearfish, was named South Dakota's 2020 Region 5 Teacher of the Year by the South Dakota Department of Education. Penny teaches eighth grade English language arts at Belle Fourche Middle School. A statewide panel of educators will select one of five regional winners to represent the state as the 2020 South Dakota Teacher of the Year. The announcement will be made Oct. 10.

Marlene (Meeker) Todd, '86, Deadwood, was honored with a proclamation when Mayor David Ruth Jr. declared April 29 as Marlene Todd Day in the City of Deadwood. Marlene was honored following her retirement after nearly 25 years of service to the community as the founder and director of the Lawrence County Teen Court program.

Denise "dee" Welsch, '82, Greenwood Village, Colo., was hired by Vail Resorts as the senior marketing specialist. Her new position will include project management within the content marketing team for the EPIC Pass for all 16 U.S. and two international ski resorts. Dee previously worked with Lockheed Martin Space, in

'02



Michael "Mike" Odle, '02, Washington, D.C., was selected to represent the D.C. National Guard and the U.S. Air Force at the 75th Anniversary of D-Day in the United Kingdom. June 6, 2019, marked the anniversary of the D-Day Landings and the Battle of Normandy. In June of 1944, men from all over the world came to fight in Normandy to defeat Nazism and re-establish freedom. Mike is the executive director, Defense/Veterans Affairs Collaboration Office at the Pentagon.

Littleton, Colo., where she was project managing visual design display projects for Lockheed Martin's global annual strategic meeting, military satellite clean-room graphic displays and graphics for the interior of the Orion Space Vehicle's astronaut training capsule.

1990s

Lori Abbott, '93, married Craig Roths, March 16, 2019. Lori is a seventh grade teacher with the Sioux City Community School District. The couple resides in Sergeant Bluff, Iowa.

Patrick "Pat" Gainey, '92, Spearfish, and Spearfish High School students Katie O'Shea and Charles Waugh participated in the Presidential Academy on American History and Civics for teachers and the Congressional Academy for students. One teacher and two students from every state are selected to attend this conference at Goucher College in Baltimore. Pat is a social studies teacher at Spearfish High School.

Guy Gregory, '98, Great Falls, Mont., was recently elected to serve a three-year term on the Cooperative Communicators Association (CCA) Board of Directors, a national organization of professionals who communicate for cooperatives. Guy is a communications specialist for the Montana Cooperative Development Center (MCDC). He recently represented MCDC at the CCA's 2019 Institute in Savannah, Ga.

Clint Haffner, '92, Belle Fourche, was one of three Belle Fourche officers who were honored for their lifesaving efforts during a snowstorm. Belle Fourche Mayor Gloria Landphere presented Clint with the Lifesaver Award for his extraordinary efforts that led to saving the life of a Belle Fourche resident. Clint is an animal control/code enforcement officer in Belle Fourche.

Chad Hedderman, '98, Sturgis, was hired as the new principal at Sturgis Williams Middle School. Chad has served the past 16 years in the Meade School District; the last four years as the assistant principal at Sturgis Brown High School.

Don Lyon, '95, Spearfish, was named Middle School Principal of the Year by the South Dakota Association of Secondary School Principals. Don was hired in 2015 to be the principal at Spearfish Middle School.

Lester "Les" Nemeck, '92, Longview, Texas, was promoted from a plant manager to a complex manager for Tyson Foods.

Barbara (Hayden) O'Malley, '90, Spearfish, has been named interim director of Admissions at BHSU. In addition, she will continue to serve as an adjunct faculty member in the BHSU School of Business.

Roxie (Quick) Smith, '91, Alliance, Neb., was named the 2019 Person of the Year for Alliance. She started teaching in Alliance in 1991 and is still teaching there today. The past 14 years Roxie has taught 11th grade, mostly American Literature class. This award recognizes her excellence in teaching and dedication to her career and community.

Trina (Kujawa) Thorn, '96, Philip, was recently hired as an English language arts teacher for the Rapid City Catholic School system. She will also coach girls' volleyball and track.

2000s

Melissa Christensen, '03, Spearfish, was hired as the new director of Human Resources at BHSU. Melissa served the past 5+ years as assistant athletic director of External Operations at BHSU.

Scott Duncan, '01, Spearfish, was named a 2018 top agent in South Dakota as part of Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield's annual Promise Awards. The Promise Awards recognize those Wellmark agents and agencies who provide exceptional service to Wellmark members. Scott is an agent with First Western Insurance Agency, Inc., in Spearfish.

Bonnie (Halsey) Dutton, '01, her husband Dave, and son Drew Dutton, '18, Spearfish, opened Artifacts Antiques and Art, on Main Street in Spearfish. Bonnie and Dave are the owners and Drew manages the store.

Andrea (Farr), '04, and husband Andy Foxworthy, '04, Camp Humphreys, South Korea, had a baby girl, Annika Frances, April 8, 2019. Annika joins big sister Annabeth (7). Andrea is a stay-at-home mom. Andy is a bass player for the U.S. Army Band.

Pam (Haugen) Jacobs, '07, Spearfish, has accepted an accountant position at the Sanford Lab in Lead. She previously served as the assistant finance officer for the City of Whitewood.

Shannon Moore, '00, Laramie, Wyo., was hired by the University of Wyoming football team as their tight ends/fullbacks coach. Shannon spent the previous three years as an assistant coach at East Carolina University.

Christi Myers, '05 & '10, married David Morgan, July 20, 2019. Christi is employed by the Fairbanks Native Association 0-5 Head Start as a home visitor. The couple resides in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Eric Schmidt, '05, Spearfish, was promoted to general manager, prior to the start of the 2019 season, for the Spearfish Sasquatch Baseball Club. Eric previously served as their assistant general manager.

Jenny (Phillipe) Spencer, Attended, and husband Nathan, Rapid City, officially welcomed Serena Anne, April 25, 2019, through adoption. Jenny is an audiology tech at Rapid City Medical Center.

Jennifer (Weitzel) Stadler, '08 & '11, Chadron, Neb., was named the Eagles' new head volleyball coach for the Chadron State College Eagles. Jennifer served the past eight seasons as the head coach at Sheridan College (SC) in Wyoming. She led SC to the junior college Region IX North title match in 2017. In addition, her teams reached the region's semifinals on three more occasions and had three consecutive 20-win seasons from 2013 to 2015.

Alisha (Swanson) Vincent, '01, Mitchell, was awarded the prestigious Clarke Award for teaching excellence during Dakota Wesleyan University's commencement services at the Corn Palace. Alisha is an associate professor and chair of Non-profit Administration, and director of Special Academic Projects and Initiatives at DWU.

'01 & '04



Brant Miller, '01 & '04, Moscow, Idaho, was selected to receive the prestigious J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Award to Chile. Brant is an associate professor of Science Education at the University of Idaho.



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Nathan "Nate" Vogel, '03, Laredo, Texas, was hired as the new head women's basketball coach for Texas A&M International University. Nate served the past two seasons as the head women's basketball coach for Miles City Community College. His teams compiled a 58-9 record. Nate is currently pursuing his master's degree in kinesiology from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Ill.

Jenifer (Pawlowski) Zoller, '02 & '12, Belle Fourche, was named the 2019 Educational Support Professional of the Year by the South Dakota Education Association. Jenifer is the Alternative Learning and Attendance Center room supervisor at Spearfish Middle School.

Julianne (Sprigler) Zoller, '01, Spearfish, was one of five teachers in the Black Hills to receive the 2019 Teachers of Excellence award by Black Hills Parent and Denny Menholt Rapid Chevrolet. She was featured in the spring 2019 issue of BH Parent magazine. Julianne is an art teacher at Mountain View and West Elementary schools in Spearfish.

2010s

Amanda (Ellingson) Bauer, '10 & '15, Rapid City, was one of two teachers in South Dakota to receive the \$1,000 South Dakota Retired School Personnel Grant. To qualify to receive the grant, a teacher must have taught at least five years, be on an approved advanced degree program or working towards their national certificate. Amanda is a teaching and learning specialist for Rapid City Area Schools.

Alisa (Eggebraaten), '10, and husband **Brandon Bentley**, '10 & '15, Spearfish, had a baby girl, Sadie Linda, June 29, 2019. Sadie joins big brother Banks (2). Alisa is a daycare provider/stay-at-home mom. Brandon is the director of Business Services and controller for BHSU.

'96



Melissa Zorko, '96, San Diego, Calif., was promoted, in June of 2018, to regional vice president for Hello! California Destination Management.

Hello! Destination Management is a professional services company that works with meeting/event planners on the implementation of events, activities, tours, transportation and program logistics. Melissa previously served as the general manager for Hello! Las Vegas for 12 years.

Amy (Marler) Berke, '10, Black Hawk, received her certification as a National Board Certified Teacher, an organization designed to develop, retain and recognize accomplished teachers and to generate ongoing improvement in schools nationwide. Amy is a third grade teacher in the Rapid City Area School District.

Jenna Bolstad, '11 & '17, Butte, Mont., was hired as the assistant women's basketball coach at Montana Tech. She previously held the same position at Williston State College in North Dakota.

Hunter Bradley, '16, Deadwood, was honored as the 2018 Spearfish Police Department Officer of the Year. Hunter was presented with a plaque and certificate.

Mallory (Petersen) Dekker, '11, and husband Chris, Rapid City, had a baby girl, Elinor Allana Danielle, August 20, 2018. She joins big sister Evelyn (3). Mallory is the executive director of the Studios of the Arts in Rapid City. She also teaches two private school bands, one chime choir, and two classes of general music.

Darick Eisenbraun, '14, Spearfish, was elected to the Spearfish City Council representing Ward 3. Darick is the director of finance for Butte Electric. He serves on several boards including the city's airport board.

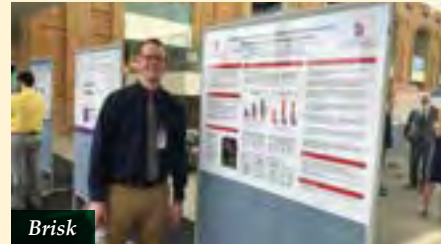
Taylor Guthmiller, '15, and Dan Martin, Spearfish, had a baby boy, Harris Fitzgerald, March 5, 2019. He joins big brother Keller (3). Taylor is currently employed with Children First Preschool.

Nick Heeb, '12, Spearfish, published his first novel "The Lucky Clover." Nick's fiction novel follows the narrator who returns to his old haunt, The Lucky Clover. He is looking to forget and recover from life's miseries and humiliations by drinking and discovers the people have little interest in his intentions and that violence is the only language spoken. Nick is currently teaching English at BHSU.

Randall Hill, '13, Hartford, has been named vice president of fitness for GreatLIFE Golf & Fitness, a Sioux Falls-based fitness company. Randall previously served as the first fitness manager, overseeing the GreatLIFE Performance Center.

Alyssa (Shoemake), '13, and husband **Riley Miessner**, '14, Marshall, Minn., had a baby boy, Finn Jacob, May 17, 2019. Alyssa is a stay-at-home mom. Riley is the cross country/track & field coach at Southwest Minnesota State University.

'02



Brisk

Brody Brisk, '15, Rapid City, graduated last May from the USD Medical School with a Doctor of Medicine degree. Brody is going into radiology and will be training at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Taryn (DeMers) Pike, '11, Black Hawk, recently joined the VIP Properties Real Estate Company, based out of Rapid City, as a broker associate. Taryn continues to own and operate Outside In - Children's Indoor Playground in Rapid City.

Makenzie Skovlund, '19, Fort Meade, will launch a new program in the Meade School District in the fall for students with autism. The new autism classroom, which will be located at Sturgis Elementary School, is a pilot program.

Tom Tieszen, '12, Spearfish, was named the 2019 Lead-Deadwood School District Teacher of the Year. Tom is a science teacher at Lead-Deadwood High School.

Trevor Tridle, '13, Deadwood, won two gold and two bronze medals in powerlifting at the Special Olympics World Games in the United Arab Emirates. He was the only Team U.S.A. member for the Special Olympics from South Dakota. With four medals, including a World Champion gold medal, Trevor plans to continue training for the Special Olympics World Games in Berlin.

Alison (Turner) Walk, '15, and husband John, Spearfish, had a baby boy, Connor Anthony, March 8, 2019. Connor joins big sister Leyna (3). Alison is currently the department secretary for the College of Business & Natural Sciences at BHSU.

1883-2018

Three alumni were honored during the 100th anniversary Spearfish Chamber of Commerce celebration. Honorees include **Andrea (Nelson) Bakeberg**, '12 & '16, the Young Professional of the Year Award recipient. Andrea was recently hired as the executive administrative assistant for the Office of the President at BHSU as well as the president of the Matthews Opera House Board of Directors; **Priscilla (Young) Romkema**, '79, president of Regional Health Foundation, received the Spirit of Spearfish Award. Priscilla is the first to have won this award twice; previously receiving the award in 2006; and **Ryan Wordeman**, '07, received the Business Beautification

Award. Ryan was recognized for the development of The Plaza at Jackson and Main Street.

Susan (Magedanz), '13, and her husband, **Scott Peterson**, Attended, Belle Fourche, owners of Scott Peterson Motors in Belle Fourche and Sturgis, were recognized last April as Employer of the Year during the Sturgis Area Chamber of Commerce annual banquet. Scott Peterson Motors received the honor for their generous, community-oriented business.

Markus Heinrich, '13, published, and **Nolan Schneider**, '13, illustrated, "Saving Like A Sloth," which features Sunny who learns how to save, donate, and spend like a sloth.

The City of Spearfish recognized the following alumni for their years of service: **Kayla (Tucker) Chyba**, '16, (5 years); **Brett Rauterkus**, '08 (10 years); and **Stephanie (Reid) Votroubek**, '11, (5 years).

Two alumni were honored during the annual Belle Fourche Chamber awards banquet to celebrate 2018 and recognize its business community. **Raelyn (Allread) Bowman**, '13, and husband Nate, owners of Dakota Lumber, received the Retail

'99



Eagle Heart

Sarah Eagle Heart, '99, Los Angeles, recently won a prestigious Emmy award. The Daytime Emmy award in Interactive Media was presented for her work as a consultant producer on the animated movie "Crow: the Legend." The movie is a fully immersive journey exploring themes of self-discovery, diversity and selflessness, wherein the viewer plays a key role in the story.

Business of the Year Award for investment in the community. The Service Business of the Year was presented to the Bunney's Body and Collision Repair, owned by **Sarah (Suiter) Bunney**, '02, and husband Josh, for their high level of customer service and willingness to go the extra mile for their patrons.

Alumni honored by the Meade School District for their years of service include: **Ethan Dschaak**, '97, (15 years); **Kimberly (Singleton) Roberts**, '03, (30 years); **Anne Rochelle**, '97 & '06, (20 years); **Vincent Schmaltz**, '04, (15 years); **Missy (Fallon) Urbaniak**, '02, (15 years); and **Kristin (Schamber) Wheaton**, '99, (20 years).

Alumni honored by the Meade School District include retirees: **Ann (Gallagher) Kling**, '79 & '02; **Bev Rosenboom**, Attended; and **Jon Swan**, '09.

Alumni honored by the Meade School District include: **Twyla (Geis) Barden**, '89 & '00, Sturgis Brown High School Teacher of the Year; and **Casey Kieffer**, '10, Piedmont Valley Elementary School Teacher of the Year. **Ginger (Arehart) Smith**, '96, was named Sturgis Elementary School Professional Technical Support Staff Member of the Year. **Josh Wilson**, '08, was named the Stagebarn Middle School and Meade School District Teacher of the Year.

Alumni honored by the Spearfish School District for their years of service include: **Chris Blain**, '14, (5 years); **Londa (Walker) DeRouche**, '92, (5 years); **Brandee (Braddock) DuPont**, '13, (5 years); **Cori (Ringwood) Engelhardt**, '98, (10 years); **Nick Gottlob**, '00, (5 years); **Scott Hardesty**, '04, (15 years); **Laurie (Crawford) Johnson**, '98, (10 years);

'15



Kotelman

Cassidy Kotelman, '15, Spearfish, graduated last December from the University of Nebraska Medical Center with a Master of Physician Assistant Studies. In March, Cassidy began her career as an orthopedic trauma surgery PA, practicing at the Regional Health Rapid City Hospital and the Regional Health Orthopedic & Specialty Hospital.

Matt Koehler, '05, (10 years); **Toni Lyke**, '97, (15 years); **Elizabeth Mentele**, '13, (5 years); **Carole (Jeffery) Schaffan**, '88, (5 years); **Brianna Schmidt**, '14, (5 years); **Karyn (Haut) Scott**, '18, (5 years); **Reva (Tetreaut) Sigle**, '99, (25 years); **DeLynn (Richards) Tollefsrud**, '85, (20 years); **Brandy (Miller) Vavruska**, '03, (5 years); and **Heidi (Beehler) Work**, '13, (5 years).

Alumni honored by the Spearfish School District include retirees: **Kris (Ivers) Hayes**, '85, (16 years); and **Sandy (Sears) Nichols**, '02, (37 years).

Alumni honored as Teachers of the Year by the Spearfish School District include: **Brandy (Miller) Vavruska**, '03, West Elementary School; and **Elise (Pfefferle) Fowlkes**, '04, Spearfish High School and Spearfish School District.

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Carol S. (Smith) Acri, '54, Spearfish
 Fred L. Alleman, Attended, Boise, Idaho
 Carol D. Ames, '50, Green Bay, Wisc.
 Gerald L. Anderson, '61, Newcastle, Wyo.
 Darrell B. Autio, '58, Sioux Falls
 Robert "Bob" G. Bradford, '56, Wenatchee, Wash.
 Lewis L. Brewer, Attended, Rapid City
 Thomas "Tom" A. Broadhurst, Attended, Spearfish
 James "Jim" E. Davies, '60, Helena, Mont.
 Frances (Tillery) Davis, Attended, Forsyth, Mont.
 Milda R. (Klemm) Dittmer, Attended, Lane
 Cynda J. (Dodge) Douglas, '58, Miles City, Mont.
 Marian K. (Jenson), Eatherton, '49, Sturgis
 Velda (Libolt) Edwards, Attended, Gillette, Wyo.
 Cheri M. (Baily) Ellefson, Attended, Rapid City
 Marlin E. Engel, Attended, Casper, Wyo.
 Eileen J. (Babcock) Flatt, Attended, Rapid City
 Cedric M. Goodman, Sr., Attended, Sturgis
 Edwin H. Grinder, Attended, Buffalo, Wyo.
 Gerald "Jerry" M. Hannah, Attended, Rapid City
 Delbert "Del" L. Harbaugh, Jr., '57, Rapid City
 Myrtle A. (Shelbourn) Harvey, Attended, Ainsworth, Neb.
 Beverly L. (Fry) Hillmer, '56, Rapid City
 Ida L. (Thorpe) Holst, '55, Casa Grande, Ariz.
 Sylvia A. (Root) Huber, '57, Rapid City
 Berdena G. (Dykema) Huston, Attended, Sturgis
 Bruce M. Johnson, '57 & '70, Spearfish
 Doris I. (Leberknight) MacDonald, '60, Rapid City
 Jean C. (Claymore) Marrs, Attended, Rapid City
 Alys A. (Hanson) Matt, Attended, Rapid City
 Bobby "Bob" L. Meister, Attended, Kalispell, Mont.
 Duane A. Mercer, Attended, Pierre
 Carl D. Mirich, '63 & '71, Moorcroft, Wyo.
 Janice O. (Seland) Moore, Attended, Pierre
 Ruth B. (Iburg) Neuberger, Attended, Mitchell
 Rhyllis R. (Richmond) Oedekoven, '48 & '68, Gillette, Wyo.
 Mary Beth (McGuigan) Olson, '55 & '77, Jupiter, Fla.
 Nancy A. (Garhart) Powell, '60, Spearfish
 David G. Rathbun, Attended, Nisland
 Gloria L. (Schmeltzer) Ripley, '50 & '55, Spearfish
 Dorothy A. (Dennis) Soule, Attended, Gillette, Wyo.
 Earl E. Sprung, Attended, Kansas City, Mo.
 Barbara L. (Shelden) Storm, '62, Belle Fourche
 Elizabeth "Betty" J. (Nemec) VanderMay, Attended, Kadoka
 Lucy E. (Grubl) Wenz, Attended, Saint Paul, Minn.
 Eleanor T. (Hare) Westby, '62, New Underwood
 Lawrence "Larry" D. Wier, '62, Hayden, Idaho
 Robert E. Wood, Attended, Denver, Colo.

BLACK HILLS STATE COLLEGE • 1964-1988

Brian M. Boesen, '86, Rapid City
 Pete W. Borup, Jr., Attended, Sturgis
 Patricia "Pat" A. (Legler) Bronnenberg, '66, Cody, Wyo.
 Larry D. Byrd, '70, White River
 Lois L. (Larson) Cersosimo, '65, Rapid City
 Gail V. (Perry) Clark, '70, Rapid City
 Madaline (Hudson) Custis, '79 & '94, Spearfish

Katherine "Kathy" M. (Buchanan) Daum, '69, Spearfish
 Vicky L. (Regan) Eklund, '71, Valentine, Neb.
 Virginia E. (Howell) Evridge, '71, Spearfish
 Robert "Bob" J. Foudray, '71, Rapid City
 Sharla J. (Juhnke) Garrett, '79, Pierre
 Shirley K. (Fowlkes) Harris, '74, Hulett, Wyo.
 Loretta Jo (Cooley) Heck, '79, Spearfish
 John "Nick" Heinen, '67, Spearfish
 Michael I. Her Many Horses, '78, Wounded Knee
 Barbara A. (Nissen) Horsley, '76, Wessington Springs
 Jerry E. Jensen, Attended, Aberdeen
 Michael H. Johnston, Attended, Rapid City
 Jean K. (Kirkpatrick) Kane, Attended, Vineland, N.J.
 Dennis A. Koch, '72, Worland, Wyo.
 Philip H. Langdeau, Attended, Chamberlain
 Julian "Jules" M. Martinez, Jr., Attended, Greeley, Colo.
 Glenda A. Miller, Attended, Rapid City
 Jim L. Miller, '69, Littleton, Colo.
 Phyllis I. (McKennett) Olson, '69, Rapid City
 Donald "Donny" N. Scoggins, '67, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
 Helen F. (Raabe) Seeley, '66, Sun City, Ariz.
 Betty (Garrett) Sekely, '71, Bryant, Ark.
 Sharon L. (Lang) Sharkey, '75 & '78, Gillette, Wyo.
 William "Jack" R. Stratton, '74, Deadwood
 Mark H. Stirling, '74, Sioux Falls
 Carol A. (Fischer) Sutterer, '68, Rapid City
 Ray F. Wermers, Attended, Watertown
 Leora "Blondie" J. (Phipps) Wildberger, '86, Sheridan, Wyo.
 Albert F. Williams, '65, Snohomish, Wash.
 Karen K. (Hillmer) Yellow, '70, Boise, Idaho

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Britney M. (Weber) Brouillette, '09 & '15, Rapid City
 Kenneth "Ken" P. Cornacchio, '04, Sioux Falls
 Cheryl J. (Burke) Crawford, '89, Tucson, Ariz.
 Chad E. Ireland, Attended, Martin
 Marlyce D. (Thompson) Kocher, '95, Gillette, Wyo.
 Brian L. Lindeman, '99, Mobridge
 Deanna (Scherer) Mattox, '92, Rapid City
 Clayton "Clay" K. Milliken, Attended, Skiatook, Okla.
 Stacie L. Olson, Attended, Rapid City
 Gregory "Greg" A. Pauley, Attended, Vale
 Danny "Dan" L. Petersen, Sr., '93 & '98, Rapid City
 Sharon L. (Scissons) Schaefer, '95, Nephi, Utah
 Kali V. Teasley, '15, Custer
 Charles "Skip" L. Umphlet, '96, Black Hawk
 David P. Walker, '06, Whitewood
 Gordon E. White, '91, Prince Frederick, Md.
 Rebecca J. (Rossum) Wright, Attended, Rapid City

FORMER FACULTY/STAFF

Richard T. Martin, Butler, Penn.
 Beatrice "Bea" (Peterson) Ramsey, Spearfish

DR. YVONNE M. (WILLIAMS) WEYRICH, '55 & '67, RAPID CITY



Dr. Yvonne Weyrich, 87, passed away peacefully May 20, 2019. She was named a BHSU professor emeritus for the College of Business & Public Affairs in 1996 after teaching at Black Hills State from 1967-90. Yvonne received a BSED in physical education in 1955 and a master's in education in 1967, both from BH. She graduated with a Ph.D. in business education from the University of Northern Colorado in 1976. Yvonne was a consummate teacher, trusted advisor, and leader of professional organizations throughout her career. Yvonne started teaching school in a one-room schoolhouse in east-central Meade County. She continued to the Wetz School and then to Vale, S.D., where she taught high school typing, shorthand, and was a basketball and field hockey coach. She married Leo J. Weyrich in 1952 and the couple had two sons. She is survived by her sons, Bruce (Darci Steward) Weyrich of Sturgis; and Bob (Jennifer Geddes) Weyrich of Rapid City; grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother, Kenny Williams of Colorado; and sisters, Annette MacFarlane of Wisconsin and Yvette Dobyns of Illinois. Memorials have been established with South Dakota Public Broadcasting and Western Dakota Antique Club.

Upcoming Events

THE 1970s BHSC FOOTBALL TEAMS REUNION | SEPT. 28, 2019

Members of the 1970s football teams are invited to a reunion after the BHSU Swarm Day football game.

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- 13-14 | S.D. Arts & Education Conference
- 20 | Gage McSpadden Memorial Cross Country Invitational
- 21 | Gage McSpadden Sheriff 5K Run/Walk
- 22-28 | Swarm Week

10 OCTOBER

- 13 | Yellow Jacket Preview Day

11 NOVEMBER

- 02 | Yellow Jacket Preview Day & Gridiron Gathering
- 16 | Jeep Wrangler Raffle Drawing

12 DECEMBER

- 07 | Yellow Jacket Preview Day

01 JANUARY

- 20 | Arizona Yellow Jacket Golf Classic
- 25 | 28th Annual Alumni Mile

02 FEBRUARY

- 15 | Yellow Jacket Preview Day
- 27 | BHSU Inaugural Giving Day

04 APRIL

- 03 | Yellow Jacket Preview Day
- 25 | Gold Rush Reverse Raffle and Auction

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Looking Back

Theatre students presented "The Wizard of Oz" on the Woodburn Stage in 1985. The lead role of Dorothy was played by Janet Saylor. Follow the yellow brick road back to Spearfish in September as BHSU celebrates Swarm Week 2019 with the theme "There's No Place Like Homecoming."