



ALUMNI MAGAZINE

SPRING 2019

125TH ANNIVERSARY *Alumni* — Association —

Historic Cross Country Season

| All-School Reunion

| First Female Combat Engineer


President's Regards

Black Hills State University is a special place filled with extraordinary people. As one travels through the region, or reflects on the unique place we call home, we are filled with the Spirit of the Hills. It is that special feeling of place, faith, culture, history, creatures, and earth that fills our souls.

The All-School Reunion is June 27-29, 2019. Bring your children or grandchildren and share the Spirit of the Hills and your campus memories while visiting with dear friends. You can also hike, visit the tourist spots, camp, and just enjoy this beautiful place. We look forward to seeing you.

Which class will have the most alumni return to campus? Will it be yours? As you are connecting with friends and classmates, mention the All-School Reunion and make plans to attend together. You'll notice the campus has greatly changed.

You are a Yellow Jacket and will forever be a part of Black Hills State University. We will see you in June.



Dr. Tom Jackson, Jr., President
Black Hills State University



ALL-SCHOOL REUNION JUNE 27-29, 2019
Expect a full schedule of events and registration information in your mailbox no later than April 1.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

In 1894, Jay Pyle, Class of 1889, along with two other alums met in the office of the Lawrence County Superintendent of Schools to consider launching a movement to form an Alumni Association. They sent letters to all past graduates, asking them to meet in Spearfish for consideration of this matter. The first meeting of the Alumni Association was held June 14, 1894. Kate Kemper, Class of 1887, was elected President and Lynn McCain, Class of 1892, was elected Vice President.

During graduation ceremonies for the Class of 1895, the first reunion of the school's alumni was held.

Black Hills State University invites you to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Alumni Association at the All-School Reunion June 27-29, 2019. Expect a full schedule of events and registration information in your mailbox no later than April 1.

The BHSU Alumni Association is a non-dues organization with the mission to provide leadership, organization and planning for alumni activities which contribute to the realization of the goals and objectives of BHSU.

The Alumni Association achieves this by developing a spirit of loyalty and fraternity among the alumni of BHSU to the degree that alumni will actively support the university in such programs, student recruitment, student relations and projects, public relations, and other timely programs to enhance the association and the university.

Andrew Johnson, '13 & '15

ROLE

Andrew Johnson teaches sixth-grade science at Belle Fourche Middle School. He recently traveled to China with a group of BHSU students and Rob Dahlenberg, '17, to learn about germanium technology and its impact on the research at the Sanford Underground Research Facility.

STORY

Growing up just blocks away from the BHSU campus, Andrew says he chose to attend the university because of its affordability and the atmosphere in the town of Spearfish. He initially earned his biology degree and worked with the U.S. Forest Service.

Returning to BHSU in 2014, Andrew completed an accelerated master's in education degree. He says it was the reputation of BHSU in educating teachers that helped him persevere through the intense program.

LESSONS LEARNED

"When I was growing up, I thought, looking at chemistry for example, that it's already figured out, there are no more discoveries to be found in science. But that's absolutely not true. There is still a frontier to be explored."



Julie Olson, '90 & '92

ROLE

Julie Olson began Turner Lee Consulting and Design (or TLC) in 1998, wanting to change the way typical marketing and design agencies are run. Major clients like Hewlett Packard depend on TLC for development of product packaging, and Julie and her crew emphasize transparency and client collaboration with their global presence.

STORY

Before founding TLC, Julie was a tried and true Black Hills native who had no doubt in her mind that BHSU was a perfect fit for her.

Julie began her business after moving to the San Francisco Bay area. Offering full marketing services, TLC found its sweet spot in product packaging. With an extensive and innovative process, Julie has been invited to speak at one of the world's largest design and packaging conferences this March in Florida.

In her spare time, Julie enjoys working as VP of Business Development and Strategy for the United Stroke Alliance. Collaborating with most major league teams, this organization educates communities on the prevention, awareness and recovery from stroke through a program called Strike Out Stroke.

LESSONS LEARNED

"Love what you do and be grateful for it. The biggest things I learned from BHSU are honesty, pride and integrity. I can honestly tell anyone, anywhere, I'm proud of where I'm from, I'm proud of the education I received and the people who have helped shape my career, and of who I am as a person and a business leader."



Hannah Downs, '15

ROLE

Hannah Downs is the channel manager at B9Creations, a global 3D printer manufacturer based in Rapid City. She manages all distribution networks for the company in jewelry, manufacturing, and research.

STORY

Hannah grew up in Madison and says the mass communications faculty at BHSU prepared her "above and beyond" for her career. Her connections on campus encouraged Hannah to apply for a B9Creations internship.

Being the company's sixth employee as an intern gave Hannah the opportunity to see different parts of the business from accounting to shipping. Her work in website development and sales prompted the company to offer Hannah a job as sales and marketing coordinator.

Hannah now travels the globe, working with those who sell or use 3D printers to make their businesses more efficient. She visited BHSU recently to share her insights with business and public relations students.

LESSONS LEARNED

"Showing that I was willing to roll up my sleeves and take on whatever challenge presented itself, while being coachable throughout, is something that has helped me advance quickly in my career. A wise mentor told me on one of my very first days on the job, 'we are tolerant of speeding tickets, we are not tolerant of parking tickets.'"

Chad Henslin, Attended

ROLE

Chad Henslin of Valley Springs is an airbrush artist. Whether he's painting on cars, bikes, or aluminum panels, Chad enjoys the process of creating art reflecting his customers' interests.

STORY

Chad attended BHSU in the late '80s and learned from art professors Dick DuBois and Jim Knutson. He then enlisted in the military, held various finance jobs, and began leasing heavy equipment. Health issues have helped Chad zero in on the artistic work that truly inspires him.

The Henslin name may sound familiar to alumni who knew Chad's father, Steve Henslin, who served as Chair of Fine Arts at BHSU from 1986-89 and was a prolific sculpture artist.

It was the melding of influence from both his father and stepfather, who owned a body shop in Sioux Falls, which inspired Chad's current work. He says watching his dad create art taught him about the abstract side of life, how to think outside the box, and about color theory. Chad is also influenced by Leonardo Da Vinci and how he layered paint.

LESSONS LEARNED

"I chased money when I was young and thought that was most important. You can make money and hate yourself every day. Do what you like and what inspires you. Pay attention to finances but don't make them your priority."



ENGLISH MAJOR FINDS WEALTH OF IDEAS IN DEPTHS OF SANFORD LAB

For 10 weeks this summer, Erin Broberg, English and communications major from Rapid City, worked as a communications intern at the Sanford Underground Research Facility. The internship challenged Erin to write about concepts from neutrinos to dark matter, working with astrophysicists, shaft operators, and international lab workers. Sanford Lab then offered Erin a part-time position to work as a communication specialist during her senior year at BHSU.



“IF IT WASN'T FOR THE CONNECTIONS THAT BHSU HAD WITH SANFORD LAB, I NEVER WOULD HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY.”

Student Erin Broberg

SPEARFISH CHAMBER RECOGNIZES BHSU WITH BEAUTIFICATION AWARD

The BHSU campus community gathers to accept the Business Beautification Award from the Spearfish Chamber.



Black Hills State University was awarded the Business Beautification Award by the Spearfish Area Chamber of Commerce in October. The award recognizes a local business or organization for their overall beautification efforts, enhancing the community visually, and making it inviting for current and potential residents.

The BHSU campus, known as the most beautiful campus in the state and region, has made recent advancements through landscaping, tree planting, bicycle friendly and outdoor LED lighting initiatives.

FARLEY NAMED DEAN OF COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND NATURAL SCIENCES

Black Hills State University welcomed Dr. Greg Farley as dean of the College of Business and Natural Sciences at BHSU in the 2018-19 school year.

Farley brings to BHSU three years of experience as dean of the College of Science, Technology and Mathematics at Fort Hays State University in Kansas. As the inaugural dean of his college, Farley set a standard of prioritizing a student-centered philosophy. He grew enrollment in graduate and undergraduate programs, successfully developed fundraising to support his new college, expanded retention and undergraduate research activities, and developed faculty retention strategies.

Prior to his appointment as dean, Farley served as chair and professor of Biological Sciences at Fort Hays.

“At every step of the search process, we all shared the singular goal of finding the best candidate to continue to elevate the schools of business and natural sciences at BHSU,” said Dr. Chris Crawford, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. “Dr. Farley is leading our faculty and students in the attainment of high-quality education, innovation, and student success.”

Farley says it was the high-quality faculty and students at BHSU who had a major influence in his acceptance of his new position as dean of the College of Business and Natural Sciences (CBNS).

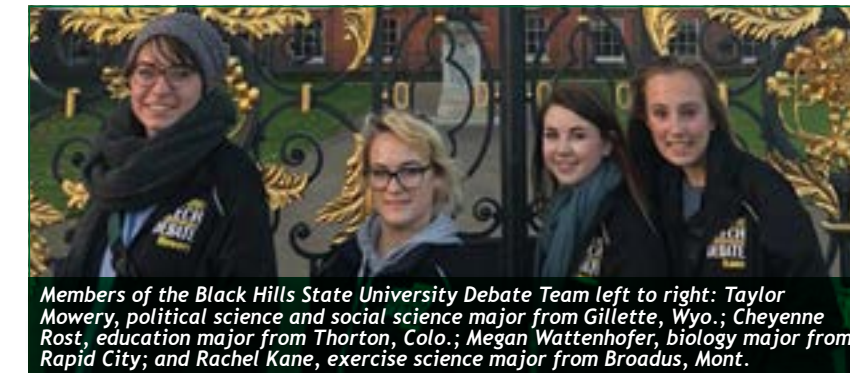
“I have seen a clear commitment by faculty at BHSU to helping students learn and be successful. There are outstanding teachers, researchers, and teacher-scholars here, and our students benefit greatly from their experience, expertise, and commitment,” said Farley.



Dr. Greg Farley

ANYTHING *Possible* FOR BHSU STUDENTS

DEBATE TEAM COMPETES FOR FIRST TIME INTERNATIONALLY IN ENGLAND



Members of the Black Hills State University Debate Team left to right: Taylor Mowery, political science and social science major from Gillette, Wyo.; Cheyenne Rost, education major from Thornton, Colo.; Megan Wattenhofer, biology major from Rapid City; and Rachel Kane, exercise science major from Broadus, Mont.

Members of the BHSU Debate Team traveled to England in November to compete in two prestigious tournaments held at the University of Oxford and the University of Cambridge. This was the first international competition in the team's history.

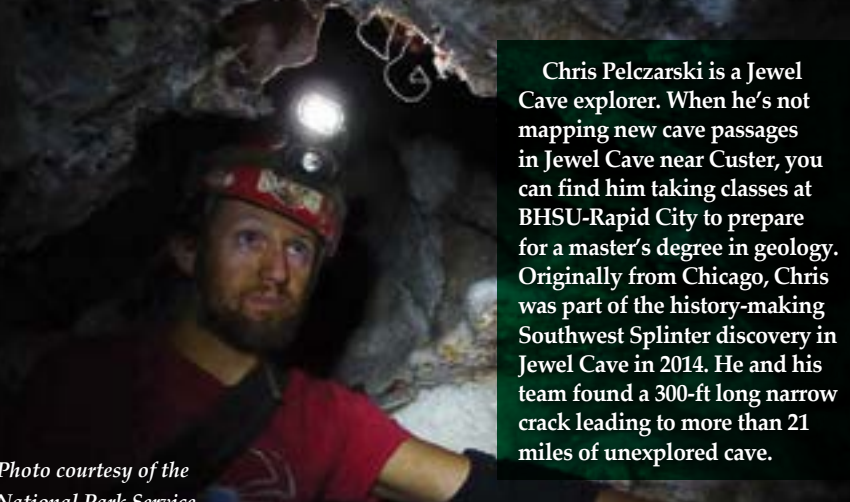
To compete internationally, the team learned a new form of debate called British Parliament.

“We spent the fall semester going to British Parliament tournaments in the region. We did well in our circuit of competition,” said Megan Wattenhofer, biology major from Rapid City.

At the tournaments in England, the BHSU team competed against teams from across the globe including Germany, the Netherlands, Ireland, and India.

“This was a great opportunity to step out of our comfort zone. The life experience we gained is extremely valuable, to have more understanding of how the international community sees the U.S. and interacts with our country,” said Megan. “We gained valuable insight into how the world works.”

CAVE EXPLORER PREPARES FOR GRAD PROGRAM WITH CLASSES AT BHSU-RC



Chris Pelczarski is a Jewel Cave explorer. When he's not mapping new cave passages in Jewel Cave near Custer, you can find him taking classes at BHSU-Rapid City to prepare for a master's degree in geology. Originally from Chicago, Chris was part of the history-making Southwest Splinter discovery in Jewel Cave in 2014. He and his team found a 300-ft long narrow crack leading to more than 21 miles of unexplored cave.

Photo courtesy of the National Park Service

FIRST FEMALE COMBAT ENGINEER IN S.D. PREPARES FOR CAREER WITH A BHSU DEGREE



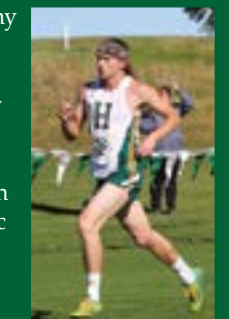
Eryn Schlotte, human services and sociology major from Wolsey, is the first female Combat Engineer in the state of South Dakota. As

a member of the National Guard while also earning her degree, Eryn works hard to manage her responsibilities – from coursework to preparing for drills and missions. Eryn says her commander is very supportive of education. Eryn hopes to become a police officer after graduation.

EXERCISE SCIENCE MAJOR APPLIES CLASSROOM KNOWLEDGE TO SPORT

For Keegan Her Many Horses running in the Black Hills to train for track and cross country at Black Hills State University is a link to his ancestors and a path to a career as an athletic trainer. The exercise science major from Ethete, Wyo., traveled to the cross country national championship in 2018 as part of the historic men's and women's teams which both qualified for the first time in BHSU NCAA Division II history.

“I find it amazing that I get to run in the Black Hills - the beauty, the scenery, the tribal history of my people. I wouldn't be doing as well in school as I am now if I went somewhere else for college,” says Keegan.





2018

SWARM WEEK

RETROSPECTIVE

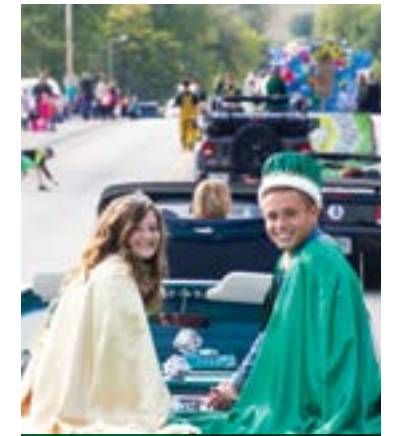
Damon Goldhammer, '17



Hall of Fame Inductees the 2004 Women's Indoor 3200M Relay Team L to R: Kendra (Karst) Mack, '07; Liz Woodruff, '07; Jamie (Hahn) VanDeest, '06; Angi (Axmann) Grabinger, attended; coach Scott Walkinshaw



Annual Kiddie Carnival for the community



Swarm Day Queen Mikkayla DeBolt and King Daxton Keegan on the parade route



Swarm Week kicked off with a Sunday game of women's soccer vs. Dixie State



Alumni Award Recipients L to R: Dr. Kayla (Haines) Hannemann, '10; Brett Swan, accepting on behalf of his father David Swan, '76; Dr. Sandra (Turney) Addy, '56; Dr. Janeen Larsen; David O. Campbell, '60



Hall of Fame Inductees L to R: Dave Garcia, '92; Justin Lake, attended; Joe Giacometto, attended; Ronal Langseth, '90; Ron Meeker, '75, and Julie (Moore) Meeker, '84; Angi (Axmann) Grabinger, attended; Hunter Shurrer, '04



Hall of Fame Inductees the 1960 Men's Baseball Team L to R: Melvin Harter, '61; Orlin Kidner, '62; Ken Everett, '62 & '67; Mike West, '60; Rocky Jones, '63; Duane Baer, '60; Clay Dunlap, '61



To watch a video from the 2018 Swarm Week celebration, go to [BHSU.edu/SwarmWeek](https://www.bhsu.edu/SwarmWeek)

- SWARM QUEEN | Mikkayla DeBolt, Sheridan, Wyo.
- SWARM KING | Daxton Keegan, Belle Fourche
- PARADE MARSHALS | Dr. Bill & Barbara Jordan, Spearfish

Save the Date | 2019 Swarm Day - Sept. 28, 2019

Past Alumni Events



27TH ANNUAL ALUMNI MILE

Over 50 former BHSU track and field and cross country runners returned to campus to participate in the 27th Annual Stadium Sports Grill Alumni Mile. Held in conjunction with the Dave Little Invitational, this year the event raised more than \$3,000 for track and field and cross country student-athletes. Cailey Roth, exercise science major from Freeman, and Jonah Theisen, physical science major from Kenai, Alaska, were awarded this year's Alumni Mile Scholarships.



1950s & 60s FOOTBALL REUNION

The 1950s and 60s Black Hills State College football teams gathered for a reunion after the 2018 Swarm Day football game in September. Pictured here, the 1958 quarterbacks and centers Zuber, Tinjum, Schindler, Bare, Miller, Campbell are coached by Don Young.



YELLOW JACKET GOLF CLASSIC

Left to right, Eric Macy, '02, Bill Geis, '90, Randy Macy, '77, and Dale Schaffer, won first place in the men's division during the Arizona Yellow Jacket Golf Classic in January.

Upcoming Events

SAVE THE DATE!

CLASS OF 1969 / 50-YEAR CLUB REUNION | MAY 3 & 4, 2019

Members of the Class of 1969 are invited to a gathering May 3 & 4 to celebrate their induction into the BHSU 50-Year Club. Each year, classmates from the 50-year class return to campus to celebrate the anniversary of their graduation. Members from prior classes are also invited to a banquet in honor of the class celebrating its 50th.

MORE INFO / REGISTRATION | Tom.Wheaton@BHSU.edu • (605) 642-6385

Pre-registration for this event is required. Please RSVP by Monday, April 15.

ALL-SCHOOL REUNION | JUNE 27-29, 2019

All who graduated from and attended Black Hills State are invited back to campus with their families this summer as we celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Alumni Association at the All-School Reunion June 27-29. Events are being planned on campus and in the Black Hills. Expect a full schedule of events and registration information in your mailbox no later than April 1.

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THE DENNIS KIRK JACKET RIDE FOR VETERAN SCHOLARSHIPS | AUG. 6, 2019

INFO / REGISTRATION | Kanda.Guthmiller@BHSU.edu • (605) 642-6335

SWARM DAY | SATURDAY, SEPT. 28, 2019

Swarm Week 2019 will be held Sept. 23-28, 2019, with the Swarm Day parade, tailgate social, and football game.

MORE INFO | www.BHSU.edu/SwarmWeek

THE 1970'S 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.

MORE INFO | Tom.Wheaton@BHSU.edu • (605)642-6385 or Gene.Schlekeway@normagene52@gmail.com

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HONOR

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HERITAGE



Steve Meeker

Continue the
Legacy

In the fall of 2019, I will have completed my 33rd year working at Black Hills State University. I have seen many changes over this time and have worked with a great number of alumni who have done very well in their chosen professions. Never in my career, however, have I seen higher education scrutinized like it is today. People are starting to question the value of a University degree vs. the cost (I prefer to call it investment). Those of us that have college degrees understand and appreciate the value of our degree(s).

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, people with college degrees earn significantly more than those without. Undergraduate four-year degree holders earn on average \$59,124 more a year while high school diploma holders earn on average \$35,256 more per year. That's roughly a million dollars more earned over one's lifetime. Nationally, the cost to obtain that degree has surged more than 538 percent since 1985.

The BHSU Foundation has fought hard to remain competitive in our scholarship program, increasing the amount of scholarships awarded by 527 percent since 1999. Despite tremendous progress made in recent years, BHSU still ranks fifth out of six state institutions in scholarships awarded to our students. Only one out of five (20 percent) BHSU students receive a scholarship.

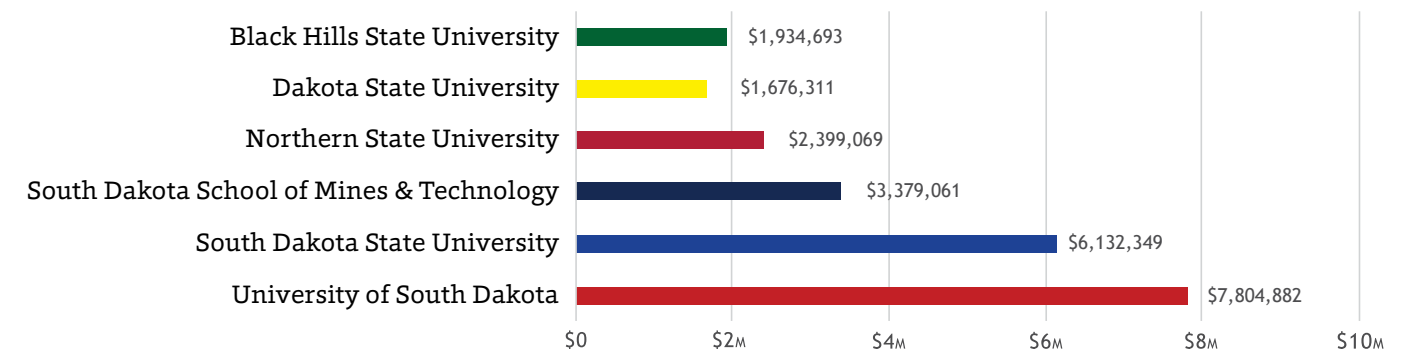
The average student leaves BHSU with \$28,087 in student loan debt. Let's join together and give a gift in the attached envelope to assist future students with their investment in college. Please consider a gift of \$125 to commemorate the 125th Anniversary of the BHSU Alumni Association. All gifts, regardless of the size, are very much appreciated.

Thank You and Go Jackets!

Steve Meeker,
Vice President of University Advancement

FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED 2017-2018

A comparison of S.D. institutions



YELLOW JACKET TRIATHLON TEAM PLACES IN NATIONALS FOR SECOND STRAIGHT YEAR

The BHSU triathlon team finished third, while Mathilde Bernard was third individually, at the 2018 Collegiate National Championships.

Bernard, who was the reigning Division II Freshman of the Year, once again paced BHSU this season and was third at nationals after placing fourth a year ago. Taylor Lundquist had an impressive finish to conclude her freshman year, finishing 14th in 1:15:35. Katie Christy, a founding member of the four-year old triathlon program, wrapped up her collegiate career with a solid 16th place finish in 1:17:46. After hosting a triathlon in 2018 for the first time in the history of the program, the Yellow Jackets are well-poised for the future.



Left to Right: Katie Christy, Mathilde Bernard, Taylor Lundquist

NAIA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE



SCOTT WALKINSHAW

Cross country coach Scott Walkinshaw has been selected for induction into the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Hall of Fame.

Walkinshaw is currently in his 21st year at BHSU, acting as the head coach of the Yellow Jacket cross country team. Previously he was the head coach of the track and field teams and now serves as an assistant, leading the distance runners.

While BHSU was in the NAIA, Walkinshaw led the Green and Gold to 19 Dakota Athletic Conference Championships over 11 years, while 32 runners earned NAIA Cross Country All-American honors.

Walkinshaw led Black Hills State to a total of 17 Top-10 finishes at the NAIA Cross Country National Championships, including a combined team championship in 2000. The dominance of the Yellow Jacket cross country programs under Walkinshaw saw both the men's and women's teams qualify for the NAIA National Championships every year from 2000-08, a feat no other NAIA institution accomplished during that period.

Under Walkinshaw, the Yellow Jacket student-athletes have also excelled academically, earning the NAIA Scholar Team Award in 8 of their 11 seasons, including 25 individual scholar-athlete team members.

SUTTON BAY CONTINUES TO MAKE HUGE SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT

It was another record-breaking year for scholarship dollars raised during the fourth annual Sutton Bay Golf and Fishing Outing. A total of \$358,000 was donated to support BHSU student-athlete scholarships in 2018, making it possible for BHSU Athletics to elevate their annual scholarships allocated to \$1,000,000.

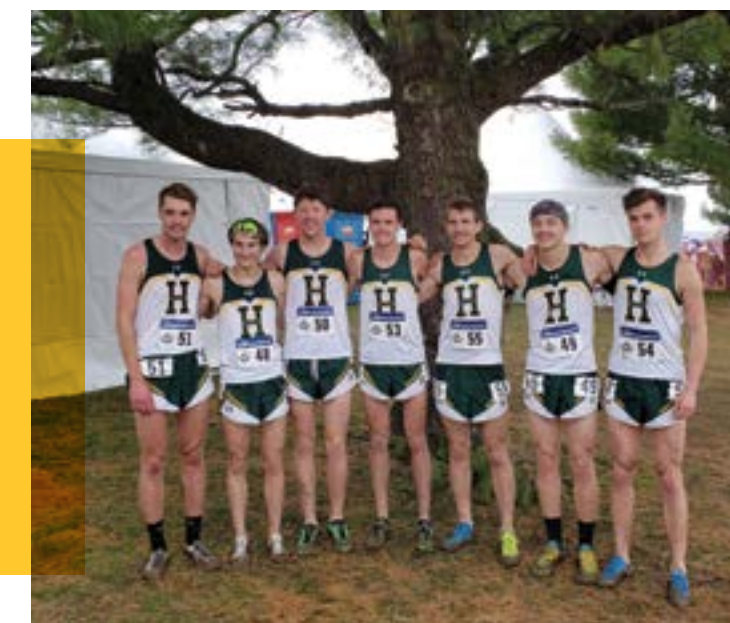
Each year, First Premier Bank pays the expenses incurred from the event. On top of the expenses paid, Dana and LaDawn Dykhouse have personally matched the amount raised. In 2018 additional, anonymous donors also matched the money raised and Sanford Health contributed \$50,000 in both 2017 and 2018 to this event.



Left to Right: Harvey Krautschun, '72; Jhett Albers, '87; Daryl Johnson, '68; Shirley Johnson, attended; Tamara Burke

HISTORIC BHSU CROSS COUNTRY SEASON WRAPS UP AT NATIONALS

The BHSU men's and women's cross country teams competed at the NCAA Division II National Championships in December. The men's team placed 16th, led by Jonah Theisen who at 14th earned All-American honors and was awarded a \$10,000 NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship, the first awarded in BH history. The women took 17th in their first-ever appearance at nationals, with Nicole Allerdings placing 32nd to garner All-American accolades.



YELLOW JACKETS WELCOME STUDENTS FOR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AT WEST ELEMENTARY



Members of the BHSU football, men's basketball, and triathlon teams visited Spearfish's West Elementary School on the first day of school.

The Yellow Jackets wished first and second graders at the local school well, distributing high-fives and cheers for the youngsters as they began the new school year.



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BHSU President Tom Jackson, Jr., presented the Difference Maker Award to A'viands at the BHSU Scholarship Gala. A'viands employees pictured with President Jackson are (left to right) Mike Regnier, district manager; Jackson; Steve West, general manager; and Greg Rich, vice president of operations.

RECORD TURNOUT PRODUCES BEST NUMBERS EVER FOR SCHOLARSHIP GALA

A record number of people attended the BHSU Scholarship Gala held in August at the Joy (Proctor) Krautschun Alumni/Foundation Center. More than 235 guests supported BHSU with scholarship funds totaling \$75,000. This figure broke last year's record of \$44,000 raised.

The gala sponsor again this year was First Interstate Bank; Aces and Eights entertained the crowd sponsored by Pioneer Bank and Trust. Guests were also treated to a candy bar sponsored by Quik Signs after eating a wonderful meal served by A'viands.

A'viands received the Difference Maker Award for their \$1 million contribution to the BHSU Foundation in 2017.

Steve Meeker, vice president of University Advancement, was very pleased with this year's gala.

"We can't thank our supporters enough. BHSU still ranks fifth out of six state schools in scholarships, but we continue to make up ground on our competition," said Meeker. "We very much appreciate all our sponsors for the event especially First Interstate Bank, our title sponsor. We also very much appreciate A'viands and the support and service they provide to make BHSU the great university it is."

235

GUESTS

\$75K

RAISED

IN SCHOLARSHIPS

HAAKON COUNTY STUDENTS TO BENEFIT FROM BHSU SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF MARJORIE BRIGGS



The family of Marjorie (Pickles) Briggs established a scholarship in her memory for students from Haakon County who attend BHSU.

The children of Marjorie (Pickles) Briggs, '52, of Midland, are passing on the value their parents placed on higher education by establishing a scholarship at BHSU. Haakon County students are eligible for the scholarship beginning this fall.

Marjorie, who passed away in August at the age of 91, attended Black Hills State (formerly Black Hills Teachers College) in the early '50s. She earned her teacher's certification and taught in country schools near Robbs Flat and Midland.

In 1954, Marjorie married Elmer Briggs. They were married more than 50 years before Elmer's passing. The couple had four children: Janet, Ed, Jacque, and Lynn.

Two of their children, Dr. Janet Briggs, '71, and Jacque (Briggs) Ritter, '82, along with a granddaughter, Rochelle Ritter, '11, all graduated from BHSU. Dr. Janet Briggs currently serves as an assistant professor of science education at BHSU.

Lynn, Marjorie's youngest son, said his parents always emphasized the importance of higher education.

"Establishing this scholarship in memory of our mom is our way of encouraging others to earn their degrees, just like our parents did for us," said Lynn.



Representatives from Black Hills Energy toured campus in October and presented a \$10,000 check to fund laptop desks for the School of Business.

BLACK HILLS ENERGY DONATION SUPPORTS BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY CLASSROOM AT BHSU

Black Hills Energy presented a \$10,000 check to BHSU in October to help fund a School of Business technology classroom.

Dr. Greg Farley, Dean of the College of Business and Natural Sciences at BHSU, said the donation from Black Hills Energy funded 20 desks with laptops installed in a Meier Hall classroom.

"At BHSU we have an ever-growing interest in student technology training. The new laptop desks bought with funds donated by Black Hills Energy are helping us expand our teaching and learning opportunities with technology," said Farley. "We thank Black Hills Energy for this valuable contribution to education."

Farley said the desks have a "vault" to safely and securely store laptops or other mobile devices. The convertible workspace supports laptops and still functions like a regular desk for text materials.



DENNIS KIRK JACKET RIDE FOR BHSU VETERAN SCHOLARSHIPS

"We thank locals and visitors alike for joining us to celebrate the accomplishments of our student veterans and support them as they achieve their goals."

Kanda Guthmiller,
BHSU Scholarship Coordinator

BY THE NUMBERS

55

BIKES

74

RIDERS

\$6,700

RAISED

78TH

ANNUAL STURGIS MOTORCYCLE RALLY

Carol Lundberg and President Jackson stand inside the Anatomy & Physiology Lab named in honor of Lundberg.



ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY LAB NAMED AFTER DONOR CAROL LUNDBERG

Black Hills State University recognized Spearfish resident Carol Lundberg by dedicating the Anatomy & Physiology Lab in her name. Lundberg is a generous supporter of BHSU having established scholarships for math and science students.

At the recognition event held this fall in the Kathryn Johnson Life Sciences Building, Lundberg said she was honored to receive this acknowledgement of her support.

"My gifts to BHSU are a great investment in these outstanding students," said Lundberg. "It makes my heart feel good to pass along this support to Black Hills State."

Conference Tournament Championship, and had four consecutive trips to the NAIA National Tournament. In the past six years, his teams have made two trips to the NCAA DII National Tournament. He has the most career wins in BHSU women's basketball history and is a two-time Coach of the Year honoree.

Tracy (Surdez) Vik, '95, Canton, received the 2018 Service to Mankind Award during the Sioux Falls Noon Sertoma Awards Luncheon. Sertoma is one of the oldest service clubs in the U.S. Last August, she won the Regional Sertoma Service to Mankind Award in Minnesota for Project Warm-Up. This project was started in 2006 by Tracy and her stepdaughter Katlin. Since the project's inception, more than 20,000 blankets have been distributed to children in need in the Sioux Falls area and beyond. In addition, Tracy graduated last December with her Doctorate in Educational Administration from the University of South Dakota. Tracy is the principal for the Sonia Sotomayor Spanish Immersion Elementary School in the Sioux Falls School District.

Julie Wilkinson, '93, Chandler, Ariz., completed requirements for her Doctor of Education in Organizational/Instructional Leadership from Grand Canyon University. Her dissertation was on Grow-Your-Own leadership programs in educational settings and self-efficacy among aspiring leaders. Julie is the assistant principal/athletic director at Arizona College Prep Oakland campus in Chandler.

—2000s—

Bill Abell, '02, Lead, was named South Dakota Girls' Track & Field Coach of the Year by the South Dakota High School Activities Association and the South Dakota High School Coaches Association for the 2018 sports season. Bill led the Belle Fourche girls' track team to a second place finish at the State A meet. Bill has been coaching the Lady Broncs track team for the last five years, entering his sixth.

Carol (Brooks) Armbrust, '01, Springfield, Ohio, recently published the novel "The Disinterment." Her novel is set in the Rapid City and the Black Hills with action taking place in Lemmon, Presho, Chamberlain and the Sioux Falls area. "The Disinterment" follows Ella and her sister Evie as they resolve the issues that arise from disturbing their father's remains. Ella's quest to put all

the corpses in their rightful places reveals long-held secrets, sibling loyalties, and family history. The novel's cover art is the creation of Carol's daughter, Melinda (Armbrust) Schallau. Carol is an adjunct English composition instructor at Clark State Community College in Springfield.

Brenda (Lund) Brastrup, '00, Gillette, Wyo., was hired as an English teacher with Campbell County High School in Gillette.

Matt Flett, '09, Pierre, has accepted a new position as the director of finance and management with the South Dakota Department of Education. Matt will oversee all financial functions of the department including a \$780 million budget with a direct role in managing and allocating state aid and federal grants to South Dakota school districts.

Faye (Price) Haggard, '05 & '10, Papillion, Neb., graduated from the University of South Dakota's School of Education doctoral program earning her Ed.D. in educational leadership. Faye was also named the director of education & academic technology for the Department of Anesthesiology at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Her new role is focused on leading innovation in the design, development and evaluation of curriculum and digital pedagogies that promote engaged, personalized and lifelong learning for graduate medical education within the department.

Julie (Owen) Hatling, '05 & '09, Belle Fourche, was selected, prior to the start of the 2018-19 school year, as the new Belle Fourche elementary principal. Julie is a 12-year veteran to the district. She started as a substitute teacher and paraprofessional at South Park Elementary and later jumped into math instruction at the middle school where she worked until fall 2016. She then became the curriculum director and testing coordinator for the district.

Anna Hermanson, '06, Homer, Alaska, was promoted to revenue cycle director at South Peninsula Hospital in Homer. She previously served as the business office supervisor.

Chris Hesse, '03, Broomfield, Colo., was one of three Colorado public school teachers to receive the prestigious Gold Awards at The Best Should Teach Awards & Lecture at the University of Colorado Boulder. Chris teaches seventh grade humanities at Aspen Creek K-8 in the Boulder Valley School District.

Dan Hodgs, '03, Spearfish, was hired as a mortgage loan officer at First Interstate Bank in Spearfish. Dan spent the last eight years as the general manager of Best Western Black Hills Lodge and Lookout Lounge.

Kelly Kirk, '08, Spearfish, has been named to the South Dakota Humanities Council board. This board sets policy and provides programming guidance for the statewide South Dakota Humanities Council. Kelly is an instructor of history and the director of the University Honors Program at BHSU.

Roy Lloyd, '00, Green River, Wyo., was elected to a four-year term as county commissioner in Sweetwater County, Wyo. Roy is the program director for Northwest Community Action Programs (NOWCAP) Services in Rock Springs, Wyo.

Dennis Newell, '04, and Catelin Ann (Hoffman), Lincoln, N.D., had a baby boy, Jonah Lee, May 14, 2018. Jonah joins big sister Piper (11) and big brothers Christian (7) and Crosby (4). Dennis is the head cross country and track & field coach at the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D. Dennis led the Marauders women's cross country team to their third consecutive NSIC cross country (xc) championship and third consecutive NCAA DII Central Region XC Championship. The Marauders were the NCAA DII National Championship runner-up for the second consecutive year. Dennis was also named NSIC Coach of the Year and the NCAA Central Region Coach of the Year for the third consecutive year.

Wendy Schamber, '00 & '05, Lead, graduated from the University of West Florida, earning her Ed.D. in curriculum and instruction with an emphasis on curriculum and assessment. Wendy is an eighth grade mathematics teacher at Lead-Deadwood Middle School.

Mindi (Mayer) Smith, '08, Mitchell, received the Knowledge & Innovation Nursing Award presented by Sanford Health. Mindi is a registered nurse care manager at the Sanford Clinic in Mitchell.

Jonathan Valentine, '07, Belle Fourche, is the service and parts lead at Outdoor Motor Sports in Spearfish. His son, Scott, is planning to attend BHSU in the fall.

Becca Walters, '06, Denton, Texas, was hired as assistant director for athletics communications at the University of North Texas. Becca manages sports information and

media duties for the women's basketball, track & field and cross country programs.

Jess Weaver, '09, Spearfish, was named partner at Ketel Thorstenson, LLP. He joined the firm in 2010 and is located in the Spearfish office. He serves both businesses and individuals with tax planning, return preparation, and accounting assistance. Jess specializes in tax planning and consulting for corporations, partnerships, trusts, estates and individuals with an emphasis in family business, franchising, and multi-entity tax structures. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), and the South Dakota CPA Society. Ketel Thorstenson, LLP (KTLLP) is a full-service firm with over 120 professional staff members, including 18 partners and 55 CPAs. KTLLP has offices in Rapid City, Custer, Spearfish, and Gillette, Wyo.

Jessica (Burns) Zweschka, '02, was honored as one of 46 public school educators receiving the prestigious California Casualty Award for Teaching Excellence. Jessica was nominated for the award by the South Dakota Education Association (SDEA) and was honored last February at the National Education Association Foundation's Salute to Excellence in Education Gala in Washington, D.C. Jessica, a Spearfish High School science teacher, was also named the 2018 SDEA Teacher of Excellence.

—2010s—

Austin Albers, '12, Cheyenne, Wyo., was recently hired as the next Colorado State University-Pueblo head volleyball coach. In his fifth season as head volleyball coach for Laramie County Community College (LCCC), Austin led the Golden Eagles to their second straight Region IX NJCAA volleyball regular season title with an undefeated conference record and the second consecutive NJCAA District C title finishing the year with a 32-9 record. His team placed ninth at the 2018 NJCAA volleyball national tournament. For the second year in a row, Austin was selected as the NJCAA Division I Volleyball Coach of the Year for Region IX North. At LCCC, he produced a 145-57 record and exits as the program's all-time win percentage leader (.718).

Isaac Hanson, '15, Rapid City, accepted a senior graphic designer position with Black Hills Energy in Rapid City. He previously served as an information specialist in Marketing and Communications at BHSU. Isaac married **Sonja (Peterson)**, '17, Oct. 6, 2018. Sonja is a life skills teacher for K-2nd grade at Rapid Valley Elementary.

Shelby (Tollefson) Hartung, '13, and Zachery, Bismarck, N.D., had a baby girl, Quinn Lenore, Jan. 25, 2018. Shelby is the marketing/administrative assistant for EAPC Architects Engineers in Bismarck.

Caitlin Hill, '16, Moscow, Idaho, had an essay "Living Where No One Wants To" recognized as a Notable Essay in the Best American Essays, 2018.

Nathan Hoogshagen, '10 & '12, and wife Tracy (Franzen), had a baby boy, Tennyson Dale, Aug. 23, 2018. Tennyson joins big brother William (2). Nathan owns and operates Black Hills Real Estate Photography. They specialize in 3D Virtual Tours as well as drone and still photography of commercial and residential real estate.

Stephen Klopfenstein, '12 & '16, Riverton, Utah, published his first novel "The Shadow Watch." This fantasy novel follows Tori Burodai, a slave with a powerful and forbidden gift, who joins forces with a charismatic revolutionary in a daring attempt to return magic to the world. Their revolution has the power to transform the world or bring it ruin. Stephen is an English and mythology teacher at Herriman High School in Herriman, Utah.

Scott Lemon, '16, married **Shadryn Van Zee**, '18, Dec. 29, 2018. Scott is the director of game operations and social media for the Rapid City Rush hockey team. The couple resides in Rapid City.

Brady Licht, '16, Rapid City, accepted a new position teaching 10th grade English at Rapid City High School.

Krista (Bell) Licht, '17, Rapid City, accepted a new position at the Rapid City Public Library.

Karen (Zortman) Loos, '14, Aurora, Colo., accepted a teaching position at the New America School with the Adams 12 School District in Thornton, Colo. Karen is a night school English/history teacher. She teaches modern literature, American literature, seminar, U.S. history, and American government. The New America School is an alternative school.

Lila (DeMarrias) Mehlhaff, '12, Rapid City, is owner and operator of the new Mainstream Boutique, a women's clothing store in Rapid City. Lila is also working toward a master's degree in strategic leadership at BHSU.

Katie (Haugen) Murray, '14, Rapid City, was appointed by South Dakota U.S. Congressman Dusty Johnson as his West River director. Katie will oversee constituent services and community outreach efforts for the Rapid City office. She previously served as West River campaign manager on the Dusty Johnson for Congress campaign and also served as a constituent services representative for South Dakota U.S. Senator Mike Rounds.

Paul "PJ" Painter, '10, Cincinnati, Ohio, accepted an in-house counsel position with a Fortune 500 company, Great American Insurance Group, headquartered in Cincinnati. Previously, PJ was a partner in the Louisville, Ky., office of Quinteiros, Prieto, Wood & Boyer, P.A.

Tahiry Razafimanjato, '18, Spearfish, a member of the Northern Black Hills/Spearfish Rotary Club, was recognized as one of ten "Rotarians of Distinction" from 1,800 Rotarians in a four-state region. At the 2018 Rotary District 5610 conference and celebration held in Vermillion, Tahiry

received a certificate recognizing a level of service to the organization and to the community of Spearfish that was so outstanding that it deserved special recognition.

Rebecca Rodriguez, '13, married Isaac Dagle, Oct. 6, 2018. Rebecca was hired as the new collections archivist for the Tri-State Museum and Visitor Center in Belle Fourche. Rebecca previously worked for three years as an education and outreach librarian at the Grace Balloch Memorial Library in Spearfish. The couple resides in Belle Fourche.

Kaitlyn Schmidt, '18, married Ramsay Norton, Nov. 17, 2018. Kaitlyn is employed by Regional Health in Spearfish. The couple resides in Belle Fourche.

Ariana (Coover) Schuelke, '15, Centennial, Colo., was accepted and is now attending medical school at Rocky Vista University in Parker, Colo. She plans to graduate in 2022.

Veronica (Ravnaas) Thoreson, '13, and Derek, Sioux Falls, had a baby girl, Fiona Kathleen, May 31, 2018. Veronica is an auditor for the South Dakota Department of Revenue.

Seth Ulvestad, '15, Sheridan, Wyo., was named executive director of the Sheridan Recreation District. Since June, Seth had been the interim executive director.

Amanda "Mandy" (Detweiler) Woolston, '12, and Jason, Spearfish, had a baby girl, Amelia Joy, June 11, 2018. Amelia joins big sister Claire (2). Mandy is a stay-at-home mom.

—1883-2018—

Meg (Kokesh) Manke, '16, Spearfish, co-authored a book with Dr. Rachel MK Headley. "iX Leadership: Create High-Five Cultures and Guide Transformation," maintains that corporate success is hampered by the failure to create an internal experience (iX) that keeps the best people, enables true innovation and creativity, and implements change quickly and effectively. It provides insight into people, what motivates them, and how they deal with changes. Additional credit for this publication goes to **Michelle Stampe**, '15, Spearfish, who served as Meg and Rachel's writer, and **Laura (Gelder) Howard**, '15, Evanston, Wyo., who created the cover art and design, as well as the internal graphics.

Jerry Gollither, '67, **Priscilla (Young) Romkema**, '79, and **Richard "Dick" Termes**, '64, were honored during the 19th Elders' Wisdom, Children's Song (EWCS) program. The program is the culmination of fifth graders from Creekside Elementary School in Spearfish listening to the stories of community elders and developing songs and narrations from these stories with the help of their teachers and local songwriters. This is the 11th year the Spearfish Foundation for Public Education (SFPE) has funded the EWCS program.

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 Inez F. (Miller) Leighty, Attended, Mesa, Ariz.

BLACK HILLS TEACHERS COLLEGE • 1941-1963

Karen L. (Stirling) Allender, Attended, Pittsfield, Mass.
 Betty J. (Hill) Black, '47, Lincoln, Neb.
 Arlie D. Brooks, '53, Reedley, Calif.
 Idellette "Heidi" A. (Ellington) Brooks, Attended, Reedley, Calif.
 Marilyn M. (Hansen) Brooks, Attended, Philip
 Larry C. Clausen, Attended, Redfield
 Khariman J. (Babcock) Creswell, Attended, Sheridan, Wyo.
 Betty M. (Dilley) Dodds, '62, Anchorage, Alaska
 James "Jim" W. Furrow, Attended, Spearfish
 Jean E. (Goodbarn) Hawthorne, '63, Rapid City
 Grace E. Huck, '49, Spearfish
 Dean C. Johnson, '57, Colbert, Wash.
 Helen J. (Prazma) Kaehne, Attended, Gillette, Wyo.
 Arthur "Art" H. Kahler, '62, Sioux City, Iowa
 Wanda M. (Heffelfinger) Keel, '58, Colorado Springs, Colo.
 Jacquelyn A. (Foley) Keffeler, Attended, Lacon, Ill.
 Raymond "Fred" F. Kimball, Jr., '60, Billings, Mont.
 Dean D. Koffler, Attended, Lewistown, Mont.
 Charles H. Kulpaca, Attended, Lead
 Delores "Dee" M. (Crisman) Linstrom, '55, Custer
 Chris "Bob" R. Mechling, '56, Sturgis
 Esther E. Muldoon, '57, '58, & '69, Rapid City
 Geraldine "Geri" (Lackey) Nall, Attended, Spearfish
 Charles H. Oller, '60, Vivian
 Idelle E. (Hanna) Olson, Attended, Hettinger, N.D.
 Neil "Pete" O. Peterson, Attended, Sheridan, Mont.
 Shirley E. (Bales) Philips, Attended, Folsom, Calif.
 Karl W. Richter, Attended, Sturgis
 Ruth I. (Zitting) Robinson, '62, Henderson, Nev.
 Junice "June" (Lerseth) Rothermel, Attended, Belle Fourche
 Carol A. Schroeder, '58 & '59, Tifton, Ga.
 Elizabeth "Betty" A. (Renelt) Smeenk, Attended, Sturgis
 Daryl G. Spiering, Attended, Milbank

BLACK HILLS STATE COLLEGE • 1964-1988

Richard B. Barnes, Sr., '66, Whispering Pines, N.C.
 Dale E. Boe, '85, Belle Fourche
 Michael "Mike" N. Bouton, '79, Dell Rapids
 Eva I. (Main) Brams, '71, Belle Fourche
 Sandra M. (Hawk Wing) Bush, Attended, Pine Ridge
 Roxie A. (Bracewell) Chownen, '69, Sturgis
 Helen G. (Moorhouse) Crosswait, Attended, Spearfish
 Douglas "Doug" B. DeNio, '73, Columbus, Neb.
 Carolyn "Kelly" Y. (Bentsen) Donohoe, '72, Rapid City
 Gerald G. Engelson, '72, Winnemucca, Nev.

Donald "Don" J. Feller, Attended, Cody, Wyo.
 Roger T. Geist, '87, Spearfish
 Mary "Marti" S. (Breuklander) Gillaspie, Attended, Rapid City
 Michelle A. (Burke) Goehner, Attended, Whitewood
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 Carol M. (Epsky) Hallock, '83, St. Cloud, Minn.
 Lawrence E. Headrick, '68, Tunnel Hill, Ga.
 Gerald "Jerry" E. Joachim, Attended, Agar
 Pat R. John, '64, Wildwood, Fla.
 Mary B. (Boatman) Johnson, '72, Keene, N.H.
 William "Bill" W. Jones, '67, Rapid City
 Charles "Charlie" R. Kentch, '85, Oacoma
 Hazel L. (Morgan) Kruse, '74, Glad Valley
 Robert "Bob" C. LaBau, '70, Wallace, Idaho
 Peggy A. (Mattern) Martin, '72, Spearfish
 Shirley J. (Agard) Marvin, '70, McLaughlin
 Grace M. (Erdahl) Mickelson, '72, Rapid City
 Karol E. (Stoltz) Miles, Attended, Spearfish
 Paul L. Naab, Attended, Cherokee, Iowa
 Donna R. (Wetzel) Nickell, '85, Rice Lake, Wis.
 John "Jack" P. O'Connor, '68, Austin, Texas
 Cindy L. (Green) Peacock, '82, Tempe, Ariz.
 Carl D. Pengra, Jr., Attended, Central City
 Ingeborg E. (Kotarba) Popelka, '76, Spearfish
 Jerry B. Potter, Attended, Rapid City
 Bernard A. Quaschnick, Attended, Hot Springs
 Nancy J. (Miller) Roehler, Attended, Belle Fourche
 Richard L. Rymill, '71, Asheboro, N.C.
 Dianne (Glassburn) Sandau, Attended, St. Paul, Minn.
 John M. Shelp, '65, Worland, Wyo.
 Philip R. Sieler, '66, Pierre
 William "Bill" C. Stahl, '74, Philip
 Annette E. (Condon) Stewart, '84, Olympia, Wash.
 June C. (Korpi) Treber, '70, Spearfish
 Charles "Chuck" M. Turbiville, Attended, Deadwood
 Shawn O. Wayrynen, Attended, Watertown
 Sylvia B. (Dobyns) Wetz, '68, Spearfish
 Joseph "Joe" Zygarlenski, Jr., '71, Austin, Texas

BLACK HILLS STATE UNIVERSITY • 1989-PRESENT

Michael "Mike" D. Bishop, '95, Gillette, Wyo.
 Alesha M. (Bailey) Busch, Attended, Hot Springs
 Deann L. Neuberger, '07, Hazen, N.D.

FORMER FACULTY/STAFF

Jean L. (Backer) Dvorak, Attended, Spearfish
 Jeannie K. French, Brookings
 Janet E. (Doan) Gehring, Rapid City
 Robert P. Glymph, Columbia, S.C.

DORA JONES, FAULKTON



Dora Jones, age 87, Faulkton, passed away July 12, 2018. She taught library science at Black Hills State beginning in 1969. When the library accepted material from Leland Case to form the Leland D. Case Library for Western Historical Studies, Dora became the special collections librarian and was also in charge of processing those materials along with the E. Y. Berry Congressional Collection and the BHSU Archives. In 1974, she received many accolades for re-discovering ancient tablets dating back to 3500 BC which had been misplaced and forgotten in the archives. The tablets are now on display in the library. Dora retired from BHSU in 1995 and dedicated many hours a week as a volunteer at the Grace Balloch Memorial Library, St. Joseph Catholic Church, American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, Northern Hills Retired Teachers Association and the DC Booth Fish Hatchery. In 2000, she was honored as one of the most influential librarians of the 20th Century by the Association for Library Trustees and Advocates. Grateful for having shared in her life are her sister, Phyllis Pearson (Donald), Lemmon; nieces, Barb Pearson-Cramer (Trevor), Faulkton, and Linda Perreault (Roger), Rush City, Minn.; nephews, Bob Jones, Blaine, Minn.; and Tim Thomas (Kathy), of Curren, Ill.; and great nieces and a great nephew.

DARLEEN (FURIOS) YOUNG, SPEARFISH



Darleen (Furois) Young, age 94 of Spearfish, passed away Dec. 7, 2018. She taught business courses at Black Hills State from 1966-87. Darleen was acknowledged for her leadership, commitment to education, and support of the Spearfish community. She was recognized as a 75-year member of P.E.O. International, as the BHSU Outstanding Business Faculty member in 1987, the BHSU Department of Business Service and Dedication Award in 1992, the BHSU Special Services Award in 1997, and as the Honored Woman of the Episcopal Church for South Dakota. Throughout their married life (almost 50 years), Darleen and Donald E. Young embraced shared opportunities to serve the Spearfish community, Spearfish High School, BHSU, the City of Spearfish, the Episcopal Church, and various boards. Their commitment to service was acknowledged in joint recognitions that included being selected for the first Spirit of Spearfish Award in 1986 and as marshals for two Swarm Day Parades. They impacted the lives of many students throughout their years in teaching and continued to do so through several BHSU scholarships, with Darleen's scholarships supporting students in music and business. Thankful for Darleen's life and love are her four children and their spouses Pamela (Bruce) Baum, Peter (Sian) Young, Paul (Kathy) Young, and Priscilla (Fred) Romkema, 13 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren, and two foreign exchange students.

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- 3-4 50-Year Reunion
- 04 Commencement
- 31 40th Annual Old Baldy Golf Classic

06 JUNE

- 27-29 BHSU All-School Reunion
- 29 Stadium Sports Grill Yellow Jacket Golf Classic

07 JULY

- 06 Mark Larscheid Memorial Golf Classic

08 AUGUST

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- 12-14 Sutton Bay Golf and Fishing Outing
- 16 Yellow Jacket Golf Classic presented by White's Canyon Motors
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Kate Kemper



Lynn McCain

OUR ALUMNI LEGACY

Kate Kemper and Lynn McCain were the first leaders of the Alumni Association from 1894-98.

Kemper, Class of 1887 (the first class to graduate from the institution that became BHSU), was the first President of the Alumni Association. She was also a graduate of Presbyterian Hospital in Chicago and was known for her work as head nurse in the Army Hospital at Camp Dix, N.J. Because of efficiency during the war she was retained for several years after its closure as an army nurse at Army Headquarters in Omaha.

Lynn McCain, Class of 1892, was the first Vice President of the Alumni Association. He joined the Spearfish Normal faculty in 1903 and taught for 40 years in charge of teacher reading, composition, bookkeeping and physiology. In 1925 he received his B.S. degree in Greeley, Colo., and was vice president of Spearfish Normal.