

WHY I LOVE MORNINGSIDE

On the cover: Bruce Shannon, a computer science major from Hartford, S.D., plays upright bass in the Morningside Jazz Ensemble.

My love of Morningside started with a men's basketball game while I was in high school. I grew up in a small rural lowa community where the social activities revolved around school functions. I had no athletic ability, but I loved watching my friends play and learned to love watching sports. Going to games and cheering on my school became a fundamental part of my experience at Morningside.

Like many other students, I applied to state schools but felt intimidated by the large class sizes. When I was a junior in high school, my brother James Lewison '84 was a freshman at Morningside. He invited my younger sister Linda (Lewison) Munoz '89 and I up to a basketball game to see Mark Faber '81 break the school scoring record. My sister and I were hooked and added Morningside to our lists for schools. My sister, brother, and I became Morningside alumni, and our mother took classes at Morningside. She is very proud that her children graduated from Morningside. Our dad was a graduate of South Dakota State University, so at one time this was quite the family rivalry!

While I was at Morningside, the men's basketball team played in the NCAA D2 Final Four in Springfield, Mass. One of the fraternities sponsored a bus to the game, and I borrowed money from a relative so that I could go. Experiences like this at Morningside ignited my love to travel, and I have taken numerous trips since graduating to watch Morningside play basketball and football around the country. I've seen the men's basketball team play in Hawaii and Las Vegas, attended most of the women's basketball national championship games, and watched the Mustang football team at all three national championship appearances. My sister and I try to attend at least one away football game each year, and I always look forward to seeing new places while cheering for Morningside.

Barb Lewison, Class of 1986

Barb Lewison graduated from Morningside in 1986. She served on the Alumni Board from 2005 to 2017 and often volunteers at Morningside events.



Barb Lewison at a Cubs game in a Morningside football championship sweatshirt. Barb's college roommate Liz (Gill) Breci '86 introduced her to the Cubs when they would watch games in the Dimmitt lounge and she's been a fan ever since.







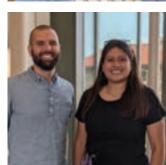


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MORNINGSIDE GARDEN GIVES BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

The Morningside Garden provides hands-on experience for our agriculture and food studies students, but its impact doesn't stop there. Each year, the students and garden coordinator Dee McKenna donate the produce to the Wikert Dining Hall on campus and to local food banks.

MORNINGSIDE AVENUES

Dr. Scott Gottlieb to deliver 2021 Waitt Lecture

Dr. Scott Gottlieb will give the 2021 Waitt Lecture on Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Eppley Auditorium. Gottlieb is a physician who served as the 23rd commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) from 2017 to 2019. The event is free and open to the public, with area health care workers and students invited to attend for a moment of recognition prior to the lecture. Morningside will also be hosting a by-invitation dinner prior to the event to honor health care workers.

Norman Waitt Jr., a 1986 Morningside graduate and a former member of the Morningside University Board of Directors, established the Waitt Lecture Series at Morningside University in 1997. He saw it as an opportunity to bring the world to Morningside University students and the community through appearances by nationally and internationally known leaders in business, politics, economics, history, and the media.



"A Midsummer Night's Dream" was performed at the Buhler Outdoor Performance Center.



Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration

Gilchrist Foundation and Great Southern Bank sponsor performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

Morningside University received a \$5,000 grant from the Gilchrist Foundation to sponsor the Theatre Department's outdoor performance of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' on July 30, July 31, and Aug. 1 at the Buhler Outdoor Performance Center on Morningside's campus. Auditions were open to the public and the performance featured Morningsiders and Siouxland community members.

"Having theatrical productions at the Buhler Outdoor Performance Center is one of the best parts of summer at Morningside, and our assistant professor of theatre Taylor Clemens did an awesome job with this original adaptation of a classic Shakespearean play," said Kari Winklepleck, vice president for institutional advancement at Morningside. "We are so thankful for the generous grant from the Gilchrist Foundation and additional support from Great Southern Bank that made this performance possible."

Applied Ag & Food Studies, Sioux City Career Academy sign agreement to grow ag education options for high school students

Morningside University and the Sioux City Community School District have signed a Memorandum of Understanding creating a collaborative partnership that will allow agricultural education students in grades 9-12 who are participating in the Sioux City Career Academy's Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources Pathway to engage in more in-depth experiential learning opportunities beginning this fall.

A vital component of the agreement will be the completion of the new Morningside University Rosen Ag Center and Lags Greenhouse, which will provide state-of-the-art learning opportunities for both Morningside and Sioux City Career Academy students thanks to generous gifts from Tom Rosen '70, the David L. Lageschulte Trust, and Cargill.

"The technology and equipment that the new Rosen Ag Center will offer allows both Morningside and Sioux City Career Academy students to get first-hand experience with agriculture, which will give those students a better sense of what a future career might look like," said Dr. Tom Paulsen, head of the Regina Roth Applied Agricultural & Food Studies Department.



L to R: Cody Griffin, chair of the Morningside University Applied Agricultural and Food Studies Advisory Committee; Anna Van Dusen and Connor Boehr, ag students at Morningside University; Dr. Tom Paulsen, department head for Morningside University Applied Agricultural and Food Studies; Estefania Villegas, vice president of the Sioux City FFA; Taylor Weidauer, instructor and FFA advisor for the Sioux City Career Academy Agricultural Education; and Dee McKenna, garden coordinator for Morningside University.

President John Reynders named to NAIA Hall of Fame

This year, Morningside President John Reynders became the fourth Morningside University inductee to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Hall of Fame, receiving the honor for Meritorious Service.

Previous Morningside inductees into the NAIA Hall of Fame include former student-athlete and Major League Baseball pitcher Paul Splittorff; former baseball coach Don Protexter; and former men's basketball coach A.W. Buckingham.

Reynders' work in athletics has been a catalyst for much success within the Morningside program. He oversaw the successful transition of Morningside athletics from NCAA Division II to the NAIA, which resulted in the college going from 12 teams in 2000 to 28 sports in 2019. During that time, the Mustangs have claimed four NAIA women's basketball national championships, two NAIA football national titles, were awarded the Great Plains Athletic Conference All-Sports trophy seven of the last 10 years and earned dozens of individual national championship placings, as well as national recognition for academic performance and character programs.



Morningside University President John Reynders and his wife, Robin

MUSTANG MINUTE

Golf Greatness

Corey Matthey '21 has standout senior year; Morningside welcomes new coach following Todd Sapp's retirement By Mark Adkins

A late May walk up a fairway at TPC Deere Run is something Morningside University Head Coach Todd Sapp and then senior Corey Matthey won't soon forget.

With the Mustangs' standout topping the leaderboard after three-plus days of battling rain, wind, and more on one of the Midwest region's most demanding courses, a tricky shot awaited him to close out the run of a lifetime at the 2021 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletic Championships.

"The job of the coach is keeping your athletes focused and calm," Sapp, who retired at the end of the 2020-21 season as Morningside's head coach, reflected. "It was a special moment to walk with Corey and just experience what he was going through."

"That's the memory I'll take away probably more than most," Matthey said. "To be able to talk and walk with Coach Sapp on my final collegiate hole, which was his last one as coach of the men's program, was so special."

As Sapp gently stood by, Matthey hit one of the most significant approaches of his playing career to date and set himself up for a finish that saw him enter the clubhouse with a two-shot lead over William Woods University's Logan Smith. The senior wasn't ready to breathe easy in the least, though, as Smith had served as a formidable opponent leading after round one and deep into the last 18.

"You're never quite sure until all of the scores come in," he said. "However, when I found out he double-bogeyed No. 16, I felt pretty good about everything."



Matthey added it was a big help having played the course at a tournament earlier in the spring. "I think my driving game allowed me to settle in. Once I knew I could find the fairway like I was doing, I could be aggressive when I wanted to be and be conservative when it called for."

Just the second All-American in program history and the Great Plains Athletic Conference's first-ever individual national champion, Matthey hopes his 72-hole 280 leads to bigger things in his future.

"Later this summer, I go to Scottsdale, Ariz., and begin playing some mini-tours to try and qualify for the Korn Ferry Tour and then possibly one day play on the PGA Tour," he said. "I want to be in those big spots, competing with the best. This experience taught me how to handle a pressure situation on the course with a lot on the line."

Morningside University Director of Athletics Jim Sykes announced in early June that Nick Wanderscheid was named the new head coach of the Mustangs men's and women's golf programs. Wanderscheid says his goal is to take these teams where they're at and continue to improve.

"I'm excited on so many levels," said Wanderscheid. "This is an incredible opportunity because not many new coaches get to walk into a situation like the Morningside men's and women's program are in. They're the reigning Great Plains Athletic Conference champions, boast the men's individual national champion, and the women just turned in the conference's best finish ever at nationals, too."

Wanderscheid has a strong Siouxland golf resume. In addition to his head coach duties, he's the teaching professional at Dakota Dunes Country Club in Dakota Dunes, S.D., where the Mustangs play many events. He has also served as the Professional Golfers Association (PGA) head, and assistant pro at Green Valley Golf Course and at Whispering Creek Golf Course, both of which are located in Sioux City, and was on the Board of Directors for the Nebraska PGA over his 20-plus year career on the links. As a

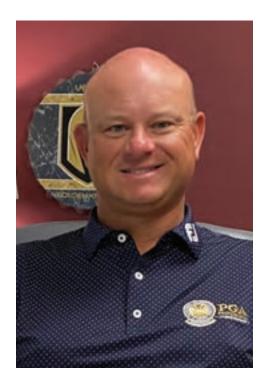


Matthey '21 and Sapp high five at the 2021 NAIA Championship. Matthey is the GPAC's first-ever individual national champion.

competitor, he was a three-time Nebraska PGA Section champion, a seven-time qualifier for the PGA Professional National Championship, and earned 36 professional victories since 2010 as part of a myriad of honors.

"You never stop learning in this game. These teams are in great shape, but I know they all want to get better and see where else they can go" Wanderscheid said. "I have seen the love and respect that Coach Sapp's players have had for him and vice versa. I want to make sure I have the same positive impact on my players as he has had during his time as head coach."

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MUSTANG MINUTE

Morningside defensive lineman selected in CFL draft

Niklas Gustav '21 gave Morningside fans a behind-the-scenes look into the training camp for the Canadian Football League. The defensive lineman from Hamburg, Germany, was selected in the fourth round of the Canadian Football League draft in April 2021.



NAIA Top 10



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Jessica Jones-Sitzmann named assistant athletic director

Morningside Head Softball Coach Jessica Jones-Sitzmann was named assistant athletic director in June 2021. Jones-Sitzmann will act as the head softball coach and assistant athletic director for the 2021-22 academic year and fully transition into the assistant athletic director role at the beginning of the 2022-23 academic year.



"We are very pleased that an individual with coach Jones-Sitzmann's integrity and professionalism will be assisting in the vital athletic administration of Morningside University," said Morningside University Athletic Director Jim Sykes. "Jessica's dedication to success on and off the field in her softball program along with her remarkable attention to detail will serve her well as she starts this new career chapter."

New Athletic Staff

Brett Hansen '20, assistant bowling coach
Joel Haveman '12, assistant men's basketball coach
Addison Mertler, head men's volleyball coach
Alex Struck '16, head men's and women's tennis coach
Nick Wanderscheid, head men's and women's golf coach
Jordyn Wollenburg '16, equipment manager

Retirements



Cheryl Gamble

Athletic Department Coordinator Cheryl Gamble worked at Morningside for 23 years. As the office and ticket manager for athletics, she connected with countless students, coaches, and fans. Gamble comes from a family of athletic fanatics and often spent time at Morningside watching games and events prior to joining the staff. In her episode of the *Down The Mside Line* podcast, she shared

that the people of Morningside are what made her time in the athletics department so special and that she plans to spend her retirement traveling, learning to golf, and spending time with her family in Sioux City.



Todd Sapp

Todd Sapp took over the Mustang men's and women's golf programs as head coach in August 2008. Named the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) Coach of the Year multiple times, Sapp helped lead the Mustang men to NAIA National tournament appearances, GPAC titles, and GPAC runner-up finishes. He also led the Mustang women's team to four straight titles from 2018 to 2021 and NAIA

Women's Golf National Championship berths, which included a program-best 10th place finish in 2021. He also coached the conference's first individual national champion when Corey Matthey '21 captured the 2021 title.

Lifelong Connections



When Larry Mason '73 returned to serve as head coach for Morningside Mustang Tennis in 2007, he began using the University of Okoboji Tennis Classic held each summer as an informal Morningside tennis reunion. Summer 2021 was no exception. Pictured from left to right are those who were inattendance: Jordan Betts '18, Ons Souissi '19, Danny Graves '17. Natasha Hongsermeirer-Graves '17, Larry Mason '73, Mary Olorundami '13, Emily Clotfelter '23. Aleks Sadowska '23. Shannon Schroeder '12. Not pictured: Reid Rosen '13 and Katie Hanson '16.

WOOGREY WOOGREY By Carly Hanson

"I love the Morningside community because there are so many great people who want to support each other, and that's exactly what the WOO Crew is all about." - Sarah Severes



The new University Engagement department was established in 2020 and tasked with the responsibility of building upon the success of Morningside Orientation and finding opportunities for innovation. Vice President of University Engagement Erin Edlund and her team worked together to reimagine aspects of welcoming new students to campus, including giving a refresh to the group of student leaders who help welcome first-year students and their families.

Summer Enrollment Days and Orientation set the stage for a new student's Morningside experience. The students who help with these events do so much more than help incoming freshmen find their dorm room. They provide support and enthusiasm that makes Morningside feel like home from day one.

This year, the orientation student assistants (OSAs) transformed into a new group called the WOO Crew. WOO stands for welcome and orientation organizers, and this team truly lives up to the WOO in its name. Decked out in matching WOO Crew shirts, Morningside dad hats, and Mustang fanny packs, the goal of the WOO Crew is to help new students and their families feel welcomed and excited to begin their Morningside journey.

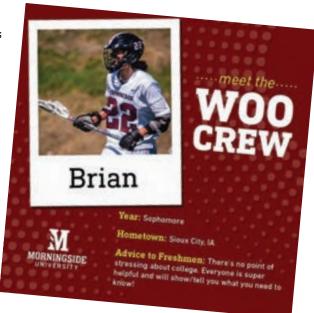
For many incoming freshmen, Summer Enrollment Days and Orientation mark the first time they've been back to campus since their initial visit. Along with the admissions team, the WOO Crew helps students navigate these uncharted waters and prepare for the school year. The importance of this role is not lost on the WOO Crew members, especially those who experienced a more lowkey orientation last year due to COVID-19.

"Even though my orientation was different last fall because of COVID-19, I still appreciated how hard the staff worked to make us feel welcomed and informed about Morningside," said Brian Nathaniel, a WOO Crew team lead and sophomore international affairs and business administration major from Sioux City. "I love that the WOO Crew gets to help new students feel special and excited about starting college."

Incoming students were first introduced to the WOO Crew on the Morningside Class of 2025 Instagram page, a private profile for freshmen to connect with each other before Summer Enrollment Days and get a sneak peek of life at Morningside. Each WOO Crew member shared a selfie and a few words of encouragement to give the new students a glimpse of who would later be their orientation group leaders. Connecting with the students on social media and in-person helps the new students feel like part of the Morningside

community before school starts, says WOO Crew team lead Sarah Severes. By making those connections early, new students can start their first year with the confidence of already knowing people on campus.

"I love the Morningside community because there are so many great people who want to support each other, and that's exactly what the WOO Crew is all about," said Sarah, a junior nursing major from Omaha, Neb. "We have had so much fun together and I think the new students and their families can tell that the energy of the WOO Crew is the energy of Morningside."



The WOO Crew experience culminated Aug. 22-24 during Orientation for the first-year students. For three days, the team welcomed new students and helped them acclimate to campus through a variety of meetings, events, and activities.

"Starting the higher education journey is a major life event. The members of WOO Crew understand that as well as anyone, because they have been where our new students are when they arrive. They truly understand the questions and feelings our new students might have, and that peer interaction is invaluable," said Edlund. "This first go with the WOO Crew and the changes we made to Orientation went exceedingly well. My team and I are looking forward to continuing to ensure that the welcome we give new Morningsiders is the best that it can be, and sets our students up for a successful Morningside experience."



W00 Crew members snap a selfie during Summer Enrollment Days in June 2021. L to R: Katherine Wurtz, Ridge Hoffman, Sarah Severes, Chandler Todd, Kailani Peru.



Friday, October 1, 2021

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Campus Tours - Lillian E. Dimmitt Alumni House

Tours begin on the hour, with the last tour at 2 p.m.

5:30 p.m. Reception & Dinner with the President - Classes of '61 & '71

Special Invitation and RSVP will be sent separately.

6 – 9 p.m. Alumni Gathering - The Arena Sports Academy

6:30 p.m. Men's Alumni Basketball Tournament

The Arena Sports Academy - For more information, contact Trent Miller

at 712-274-5372 or millertr@morningside.edu.

Saturday, October 2, 2021

9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Campus Tours - Lillian E. Dimmitt Alumni House

Tours begin on the hour, with the last tour at 11 a.m.

9:30 a.m. Reunion Reception Classes of '61 & '71

Lillian E. Dimmitt Alumni House

10 a.m. M-Club Brunch, Alumni Athletics Awards & Celebration

Olsen Student Center, Yockey Family Community Room Contact Jessica Jones-Sitzmann at 712-274-5223 or

jonessitzmann@morningside.edu for more information and to RSVP.

1:30 p.m. Morningside Football vs. Midland University

Elwood Olsen Stadium - \$8 adults, \$3 students K-12 & non-GPAC

college students, free for GPAC students with college ID.

3:30/5 p.m. Morningside Women's Volleyball vs Dakota Wesleyan

University - Rosen Verdoorn Sports Center, Allee Gymnasium - \$8 adults, \$3 students K-12 & non-GPAC college students, free for

GPAC students with college ID.

4 p.m. Taste of Morningside - Mason Family Tennis Complex

5:30 p.m. Morningside Women's Soccer vs. Doane University

Elwood Olsen Stadium - Free

8 p.m. Morningside Men's Soccer vs. Doane University

Elwood Olsen Stadium - Free

Sunday, October 3, 2021

10 a.m. Worship Service - Eppley Auditorium

Featuring alumni and university choir. For more information contact

Ryan Person at 712-274-5341 or personr@morningside.edu.

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Marquis Brunch - Olsen Student Center, Wikert Dining Hall

11:15 a.m. CODA Award Luncheon

Eppley Auditorium, Helen Levitt Art Gallery

For more information, contact Ryan Person at 712-274-5341 or

personr@morningside.edu.

2 p.m. Choral Concert

Eppley Auditorium





This year's Taste of Morningside will be served with a side of rock n' roll. Get to know Above the Covers and catch them playing live at the tennis courts during Homecoming weekend.

What started out as a couple of friends getting together to play their favorite songs in a basement in downtown Sioux City eventually became a band featuring three Morningside alumni playing sold-out shows.

Above the Covers formed in late 2019 when a group that included Morningside alumni Blake Meacham, Carter Huggins, and Nate Glisar, began meeting to share their common interest in covering popular songs. In the summer of 2020, the band decided it was time to put on their first show.

"I don't think any of us really had any expectations when we first got together to jam. Eventually we started thinking maybe we could actually put on a decent show. So, we reached out to Buffalo Alice [a bar in downtown Sioux City] and had our first outdoor gig in June 2020, and it was a blast," said Carter Huggins, keyboard player for the band.

They have now played all around the Tri-State area at bars, coffee shops, and venues like Buffalo Alice, The Marquee, Hawk's Coffee Shop, and Stringers Bar. As their popularity grows, they have also begun booking private events such as weddings.

"We just love rock so much that brings a lot of nostalgia for people my age. When we play it for them, we can see happiness on their faces," said Blake Meacham, the band's vocalist.

The group describes their music as party music - a mix of pop punk, classic rock, pop, and a little bit of country. Meacham recalls being approached by Nate Glisar, a 2018 Morningside grad and the drummer for Above the Covers, to see if Meacham had any interest in joining a rock cover band that covers mostly 2000s and 90s rock music.

"That was an immediate yes for me. I grew up on that music, singing it in middle school and high school but never having the opportunity to perform it for people that love it as much as I do," Meacham said.

When they aren't preparing for their next gig, Meacham is an account executive at KTIV Channel 4 and Glisar and Huggins work at Great West Casualty Company in South Sioux City. Even though they all had different majors and were involved in other activities while at Morningside, their common interest in music brought them together. For all three of them, the band is a way to let loose and have a good time playing songs that they enjoy.

"We always keep the crowd in mind and what they would like to hear, but we truly play the music we love. We remind ourselves that if we're having a great time, then the crowd will, too," Glisar said.

As of right now, Above the Covers is not too worried about the future, as they are just looking to share their passion for music and create memories along the way.

"We want to continue having fun and making new friends with every show we have. We always joke how the Super Bowl Halftime Show for a cover band would be to play at Miller's Bay on the 4th of July in Okoboji," Glisar said.

Learn more about Above The Covers at facebook.com/ AboveTheCoversOfficial and @abovethecovers on Instagram.



Members of Above the Covers (L to R): Carter Huggins '16, keyboard; Robbie Neswick, bass; Blake Meacham '17, vocals; Nate Glisar '18, drums; Evan Kaler, guitar

ALUMNI HONORS

Each year, a number of alumni are recognized at Homecoming for their outstanding achievements and contributions to music, arts, and athletics. Due to the impact of COVID-19 on last fall's Homecoming festivities, this year's recipients of the CODA Legacy Award and M-Club Hall of Fame include the inductees for 2020 and 2021.

CODA Legacy Award

The term coda is defined as a concluding event or remark, and the letters in this particular award produce the acronym "Culmination of Distinguished Achievement." Recipients will be selected each year from the areas of art, band, choir, orchestra, and theatre.

Gail Royer '50

Lucy Buhler '56

Gary Slechta '64

Tyrone Greive '65

Russel Clifford '68

John Kolbo '77

Kristine Jepson '84

Gene Ambroson '71

Paul Niebuhr '87

Tom Gerking '90

Professor Emerita Terri McGaffin

The M-Club Hall of Fame

Since 1953, The M-Club Hall of Fame honor has recognized athletic excellence by inducting new members each year who demonstrate and exemplify our standards. The M-Club honors student-athletes, coaches, administrators, and athletic teams of Morningside's past and present.

Tim McCabe '88

Chris Schiltz '98

Jack Rother '08

Chad Hustedt '08

Whitney McElrath Lloyd '08

Former head men's basketball coach Dan Callahan

Former athletic coordinator Cheryl Gamble

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Mackintosh
Humanities
Scholar of the
University By Erin Edlund

As a small, private liberal arts institution, the humanities are foundational to the Morningside
University experience and at the heart of a well-rounded education. They are the branches of knowledge that connect us as humans and extend beyond academics.

Per the Federation of State Humanities
Councils, the humanities help "foster critical thinking, increase historical and cultural understanding, promote civil discussions of difficult issues, bring families together, and reunite communities."

To ensure that the humanities remain a relevant and critical component of the Morningside experience, the Dr. Esther M. Mackintosh '69 Endowed Humanities Scholar of the University has been established at Morningside. This is a permanent, tenured faculty position that will be funded by income generated through a one-million-dollar endowed fund. The scholar hired for this position will be responsible for developing a vision for the humanities at Morningside as the university moves deeper into the 21st century, with an emphasis on building opportunities for experiential learning and the digital humanities. The scholar will also serve as a mentor to humanities students and create interdisciplinary research opportunities that connect to real-world needs.

"Our world and the people in it are incredibly complex, and the humanities offer avenues for understanding and growth," said Morningside University President John Reynders. "This endowed professorship will not only allow us to continue offering the humanities to our students in a way that is relevant for the times, but it is also testament to our rich history as it honors Dr. Esther Mackintosh, an extraordinary alumna and the current chair of the Morningside University Board of Directors, who has dedicated her career to the humanities."

Mackintosh, the individual for whom the new scholar position is named, joined the staff of the Federation of State Humanities Councils in 1986 and served as president from 2004 to 2020. Mackintosh earned her doctorate in American literature from Kansas State University and earned her bachelor's degree in English from Morningside in 1969. She credits that experience with building her passion for a

liberal arts education.

"Faculty at Morningside challenged me from the beginning and shook me out of comfortable patterns. Learning about cultures and traditions that were new to me was a hallmark of my college education. Without my experience at Morningside, I'm sure I wouldn't have dared to venture as far afield as I have over the course of my career, and those interactions and the way I learned to think have helped me professionally and personally throughout my career," said Mackintosh.

Having gained so much from the humanities during her own time at Morningside, Mackintosh hopes that the new scholar will help create opportunities for cross-disciplinary and collaborative work that will benefit students regardless of their major.

"Even disciplines that are entirely separate from the humanities can benefit from the insights and exploration that the humanities offer. Especially in this time where it seems crises are coming from nearly every direction, the humanities can help us shine a light on things we might not have considered and allow us to draw upon a vast array of knowledge and experience," said Mackintosh.

Mackintosh also notes the importance of the mentorship role the new scholar will play. "There are many students out there who are apprehensive about whether a humanities discipline can result in a good career or a livable wage. The truth is humanities majors are often highly sought after because of how versatile they can be. The skills learned through a humanities education are transferable to a wide variety of roles in nearly any industry."

Summing it up, Mackintosh says, "I personally feel the humanities are the air we breathe. They tell us about how we as humans function, and how we have always functioned.

My hope is that the new scholar will help highlight

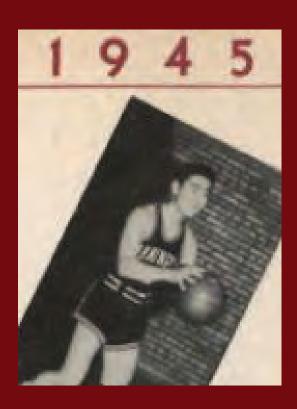
that value."

The search for the new Endowed Humanities Scholar of the University kicked off over summer. The individual hired is expected to begin their work before classes start in Fall 2022. Anyone interested in supporting the new position or learning more about its work is encouraged to call the Morningside University Advancement Office at 712-274-5409.



Following the Footsteps of Bruce Kaji By Erin Edlund

Bruce Kaji may have only attended Morningside a short time after being incarcerated at the Manzanar Relocation Camp in the 1940s, but his story and commitment to building community have left a lasting impact.



Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor and under the guise of preventing espionage on American shores, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9066 in February 1942. Among other actions, the order established military zones in states that were known to have large populations of Japanese Americans, including California, Washington, and Oregon. This resulted in more than 120,000 individuals of Japanese ancestry being removed from their homes and forced into concentration camps.



While the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians would conclude in 1983 that the actions were not justified by military necessity, but by "racial prejudice, wartime hysteria, and a failure of political leadership," there was strong public support for the actions at the time they were issued. There were, however, U.S. citizens who disagreed with the internment of Japanese Americans and advocated on their behalf. One such group was the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council, which was established to allow Japanese American students to continue their education.

Few colleges and universities were willing to accept students from the internment camps. Some simply regarded Japanese Americans with suspicion. Others cited fears for the students' safety. Morningside, however, had ties to the Japanese American community dating back to the 1930s and chose to welcome students from the camps.

Though the federal government initially opposed Morningside admitting Japanese American students because of a cadet training program that existed on campus, the campus persisted and at least a half-dozen students of Japanese ancestry from internment camps would attend Morningside during those years through a partnership with the Japanese American Relocation Council.

Bruce Kaji was one of the students. Though Bruce would only spend a very short time on campus, it was the start of his journey to becoming an extraordinary leader, community activist, connector, and family man.

A Look Back at Bruce Kaji's Life

Teruo "Bruce" Kaji was born in California in 1926 to Umetaro and Katsu Kaji, who were Issei (first-generation) Japanese American immigrants. Bruce grew up in the Boyle Heights area of Los Angeles, where he gained an interest in both music and athletics through playing the trumpet and basketball. He was a high school student when World War II broke out and following the signing of Executive Order 9066, Bruce and his family were sent to the

Manzanar Relocation Center, which was one of ten camps where the government incarcerated individuals of Japanese ancestry.

Bruce spent his sixteenth birthday aboard a dimly lit train taking him and his family to Manzanar War Relocation Center in the dusty scrublands below the east side of the Sierra Nevada. After spending two years attending Manzanar High School, he graduated and wanted to attend college. Morningside was the option he chose to pursue.

In his application, Bruce wrote, "...nothing much has influenced my decisions and plans for college. All of a sudden, during the junior year I was hit hard by the realization that high school was just the beginning of my life and one's steady forward progress. I decided right then and there to embark on the field of medicine, a field which I think is most interesting and helpful in human society. Evacuation and camp life have been experiences which cannot be forgotten. They are forever imprinted in the pages of my memories. This portion of my life has brought me in contact with many people who I believe are 100% American. Why? Because they are not prejudiced. They treat everyone, no matter what race, color, or creed, as an equal. I have admired and respected their fair-mindedness and hope to acquire the same ideas of equality."

The registry notes at Manzanar document that Bruce departed for Sioux City, Iowa, on Jan. 10, 1945. Upon his arrival, Bruce enrolled as a pre-med student because he envisioned following a path inspired from reading Sinclair Lewis' novel Arrowsmith, which portrays the science-minded Martin Arrowsmith making his way from a small Midwestern town to rise to renown as a medical researcher. He also played for the Morningside Maroons men's basketball team and was dubbed in the 1945 yearbook as being "without a doubt the best ball handler on the Maroon team."

His stay at Morningside was short-lived, though, as he was drafted for the war within weeks of his arrival.



Morningside Library Director Adam Fullerton met with the Kajis to review information he was able to locate about their father in the archives.



Troy and Jon Kaji were able to visit Allee Gymnasium and shoot a few hoops in the gym where their dad once played.

"Though my father was only at Morningside a short time, he found the campus and Sioux City to be a friendly place where he didn't experience some of the discrimination that he had elsewhere," said his son Jon, founder and president of Kaji & Associates in Gardena, Calif.

During his service in the U.S. Army, Bruce qualified to attend the Military Intelligence Service training program at Fort Snelling, Minn. He served as a Japanese-language interpreter for the War Crimes Tribunal in both Tokyo and Manila. While his family says Bruce didn't often speak about the darker aspects of his experiences, he confided that the captured Japanese soldiers he would interview expected to be killed and were often shaking with fear. As a small gesture of kindness, Bruce would give them a cigarette to help them relax and allay their fears.

"Like so many in the Greatest Generation, our dad chose to keep some secrets. He wanted to build a better world and not focus on the dark side of the things that he experienced," noted Jon.

Following the war, Bruce returned to Los Angeles and attended the University of Southern California. There, he earned a degree in accounting and a teaching endorsement. It was at that time he also chose to legally change his name to "Bruce" because of the number of people who would mispronounce his given name. He chose Bruce because of his fondness for Bruce Wayne of the Batman comic book series.

In 1954, Bruce married Frances Tashiro, whose father founded the Japanese Hospital of Los Angeles in 1927. During the 50s and 60s, Bruce established one of the first Japanese American-owned banks in the country. He also began what would become a lifetime of community- and relationship-building. He used his ties throughout Los Angeles and the local Japanese community to bring people together and work toward the betterment of the world, especially his local community. His sons reflect that Bruce loved to become part of boards and nonprofit groups, and he relished opportunities to network and break bread with individuals from all walks of life.

Bruce Kaji continued _____

"My father had a very good sense of audience. He used that to bring people together and build community. He channeled his life into ensuring future generations wouldn't forget about injustices, but he was also committed to finding common ground, breaking down barriers, and finding shared experiences," said his son Dr. Troy Kaji, who is associate chief medical informatics officer with Contra Costa Regional Medical Center & Health Centers in Martinez. Calif.

A pivotal experience in Bruce's life came when he helped establish the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Association in 1963. The city had begun an effort to seize an entire block of Little Tokyo to build a new police headquarters through eminent domain. Using his gift for building relationships and community, Bruce and the association were able to help spur economic development in the area and ensure Little Tokyo's survival.

Bruce also put his talents to use to establish the Japanese American National Museum in Little Tokyo. He helped organize the lease of 4.5 acres to serve as the site in 1992. Today, the museum is a thriving national repository of Japanese American history that has a mission to "promote understanding and appreciation of America's ethnic and cultural diversity by sharing the Japanese American experience."

For his work, Bruce was recognized with the museum's Legacy Award for his vision and leadership in May 2017. His lifetime of experience and work also led him to be the recipient of the Congressional Gold Medal in 2011, as well as the recipient of the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays, from the Japanese government in 1997.



While all the decorations of service were certainly great honors, his sons note that Bruce valued his family above all else, and he lived by a philosophy that small gestures and simple kindnesses often had the ability to make the biggest impact.

"My father was very good at thanking people – especially those working behind the scenes - and he was always willing to help out if he was able. Whether it was supporting a local business or helping someone running for office, he understood that the fabric of a community was made stronger by those small gestures of support," said Troy.

Bruce passed away on Oct. 26, 2017, just a year after his wife's passing, leaving behind the legacy of a family that he cherished: Jon; a daughter, Miki; Troy; and eight grandchildren. While Bruce never returned to Morningside after his short stay, he always mentioned attending Morningside as a fond memory. Seventy-six years later, his sons journeyed from California to Sioux City and the Midwest to trod in the places their father had once been.

A Visit to Remember

Making the trip to the Midwest was important to both Jon and Troy to try to imagine their father's experiences. Instead of rail car, they first flew to Minneapolis to visit friends and see Fort Snelling, the site of the Military Intelligence Service Language School, then traveled by car to Sioux City.

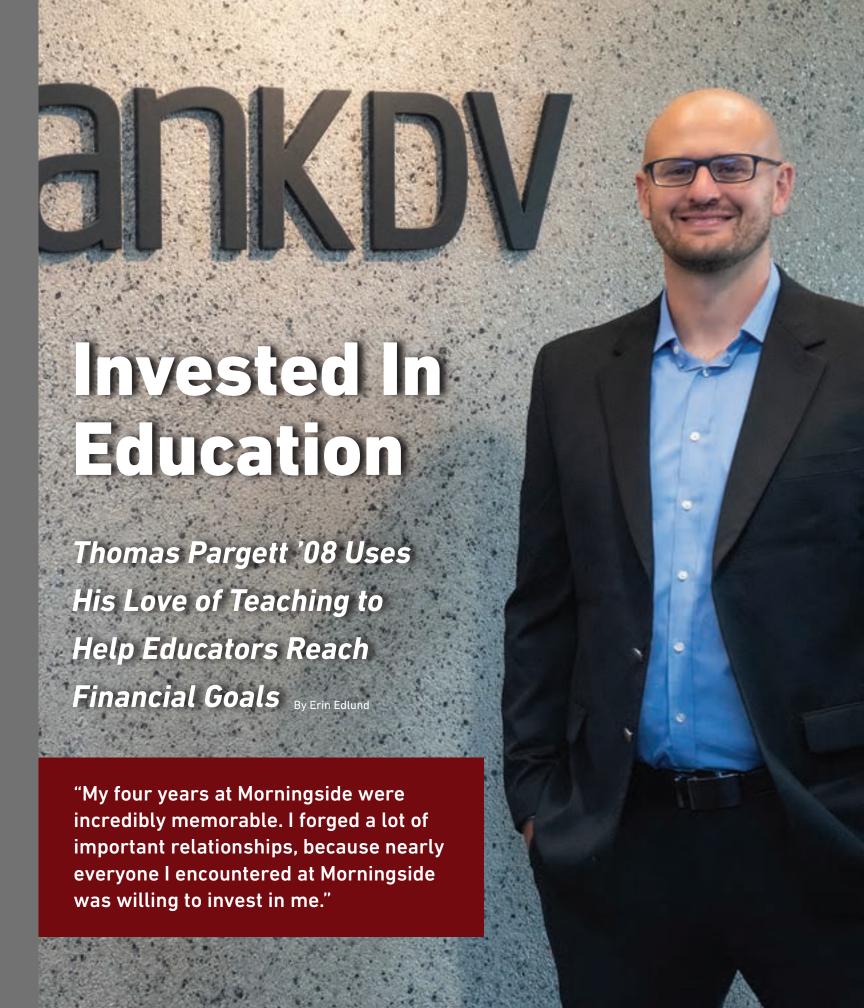
During their visit, the brothers toured Siouxland, visited the Morningside campus, shot a few baskets in Allee Gym, and spent time with some Morningside staff members. Alumni Engagement Director Shiran Nathaniel coordinated the trip, ensuring that Jon and Troy had the opportunity to be in some of the places their dad lived, worked, learned, and served.

One thing both brothers noted during their visit was how important it was to make the trek and physically follow their father's footsteps to help gain a new understanding of his life.

"Seeing the places our dad spent time makes everything more real. To stand in places he might have stood after Manzanar and think about how that might have helped him reestablish himself as a normal person really adds a different dimension to things," said Jon. "It's so important to keep stories like this alive and add new understanding to them, because they otherwise stay hidden or become lost."

Thanks to his family's commitment to sharing his story and following his footsteps, Bruce Kaji's legacy and his connection to Morningside has been renewed to share with a new generation.

John and Robin Reynders presented Jon and Troy with Morningside basketball jerseys with the number thought to be their father's.



Pargett's journey to self-discovery began in 2004 when he made the decision to attend Morningside University. The Syracuse, Neb., native knew he wanted to continue playing basketball after high school, but he was also looking for a place that would allow him to meet new people and expand his horizons. Once he met interim head men's basketball coach, Jim Sykes, Pargett knew he'd found the coach for him.

"Relationships matter to me. Even early on I developed a personal relationship with Coach Sykes. He was the guy I wanted to play for, and I don't think I would have come to Morningside had he not gotten the job," said Pargett.

After signing as a Mustang majoring in education, Pargett would spend the next four years making the most of his time learning about a subject he valued and playing the game he loved.

"My four years at Morningside were incredibly memorable. I forged a lot of important relationships, because nearly everyone I encountered at Morningside was willing to invest in me. Lorna Leavitt, Joan Nielsen, Scott Arnett, Susan Burns, John Pinto, Larry Sensenig, David Chobar – those are just a few of the people who really made a difference for me. They were always there, always able to help advise me and guide me when I needed it."

One other lifelong relationship Pargett would come away with was with Kelly (Pudenz) Pargett '09, who he married in 2010. They met when Pargett was a sophomore and Kelly was a freshman but didn't start dating until almost two years later.

"My relationship with my wife, our three children, and the life we have built together are certainly one of my greatest life achievements."

A Streetin Stillingth Upon graduating from Morningside in 2008, Pargett took his first job as a fourth-grade teacher. While Morningside had prepared him for teaching, he quickly found that nothing could have prepared him for the realities of managing a bustling classroom of students with varying needs and backgrounds. By the time Pargett's first child arrived in 2012, he knew he needed to make a career adjustment.

"Being home with my daughter those first few weeks of her life helped me know I needed to try something else. I also knew that I absolutely loved to teach, and that I had a servant's mentality. That I valued relationships. I just didn't want to be in a classroom. So, I used that summer of 2012 to investigate career options."

Pargett began talking with friends and contacts about possible options for a new career. One of those friends was a financial advisor. He helped Pargett see the parallels that existed between teacher and financial advisor.

One way that Pargett shares information and resources with current and future clients is through The Big Plan on Campus podcast, which he started earlier this year. The podcast is available on a variety of platforms and features a combination of topics specific to education, as well as information to assist those in the education industry with planning and building wealth.

There are two books that Pargett frequently gifts to people in his life. The first is The Greatest Salesman in the World by Og Mandino. The second is the printed version of a commencement speech given by David Foster Wallace in 2005 titled This Is Water.

"The Greatest Salesman focuses on the values of perseverance, selflessness, and gratitude, and attacking each day with enthusiasm and fortitude, and This Is Water centers on perspective and understanding the grand scheme of things. Both have great nuggets of wisdom and have helped me construct the mindset I try to use in my own life."

"The structure of a lesson plan and a financial plan are the same. The words, numbers, and audience are different, and there is more nuance with financial planning. Overall, though, I could see the structure of financial planning was something I'd done a thousand times as a teacher. Instead of trying to teach 30 kids from all different backgrounds how to do long division, though, I'd be able to get to know people on an individual level and help them with their specific goals. I knew that if I could learn the language and understand the numbers, I could help people plan for their future."

After that fateful summer, Pargett finished one more year of teaching before embarking on his new career as a financial advisor at the age of 28.

"It was brand new and scary, but I made the decision I was going to do everything I could to absorb the language of economics, markets, and planning. I worked my face off. I stayed up late, got up early, and read absolutely anything I could get my hands on. I wasn't afraid to start at the bottom because I knew it would help me learn."

Learn it he did. Today, Pargett is a senior wealth advisor for BerganKDV in Omaha, Neb, where he has found a company that also invests in him by helping him earn designations, continue his education, and grow as a professional. Since 2013 Pargett has earned his MBA from Creighton University, became a CERTIFIED FINANCIAL PLANNER™, and is one of five Certified Financial Behavior Specialists (FBS®) in the state of Nebraska. Even better, Pargett has been given the opportunity to focus his energy and talents on assisting other educators.

"Like many other industries, there are special nuances within wealth management. Teachers and educators have complexities that are specific to the education industry. I decided I wanted to become the best advisor on the planet for educators."

Having successfully repurposed his Morningside degree to find a career he loves while engaging in lifelong learning, Pargett encourages anyone who might be considering a change to go after it.

"Don't be afraid to pivot. Skills are transferable. There is a lot of opportunity to learn. You might have to start at the bottom, but it is never too late. What I'm doing now wasn't even on my radar when I first started thinking about a career. What I learned and my love for learning were a foundation, though, and now I have a career I enjoy and have accomplished things I never thought I would have achieved," said Pargett.







Music has been a cornerstone at Morningside since its first official year of classes in 1895. Back then, a total of 196 students enrolled in collegiate, commercial, musical, and medical departments. Today, Morningside is home to nearly 1,200 fulltime undergraduate students, many of whom spend their days filling the halls of Eppley and MacCollin with the sounds of music - and it shows in the level of musicianship and quality of performances displayed by the students and faculty.

One of the keys to Morningside's success in music is that involvement in the ensembles and productions is open to all students, regardless of major. For newcomer Martin Gaines, this inclusivity is fundamental to music itself.

The storied past of Morningside's Conservatory of Music is reflected in the courageous work of Morningside's student musicians and faculty today says Heath Weber, dean of the school of visual and performing arts. With a vision for excellence in music, close-knit environment rooted in creativity and support, and pride in every rehearsal, performance, and event, Weber is confident that the music department is poised for success even in the face of post-pandemic challenges because of the dedication shown by Morningside students and faculty within the department and throughout campus.

"Regardless of your background, where you are from, how you were raised, or what you believe, music is about people and community," said Gaines. "To me, this is the spark that cultivates the lifelong passion for learning that we seek to instill in our Morningside students."

Gaines joined the music faculty in fall 2021 as the director of instrumental activities and an assistant professor of music. Ready to make music once again after a year disrupted by COVID-19, Gaines says his long-term goals are rooted in the growth of the program and helping establish Morningside as the premier

destination for music education and performance in Siouxland and the Midwest. Whether it's on the field with the Mustang Marching Band or on the stage of Eppley Auditorium with MU Wind Ensemble and All-America Concert Band, the latter which is open to community members, Gaines is excited to take the instrumental music program to the next level.

Innovation and growth are also on the mind of Ryan Person, director of choral activities and assistant professor of music. Since taking the helm of the choir program in 2018, Person has embraced the traditions of choral music at Morningside while infusing it with new energy and direction. As a native Iowan and experienced choral director, Person followed the Morningside choral program for many years before becoming the director. When he prepared to step into the role in the fall of 2018, he spent time getting to know the storied tradition of choral music at Morningside by sifting through dozens of yearbooks and talking with alumni. He was particularly inspired by the tenures of Paul MacCollin, the director that founded the Morningside Choir in 1923, and James Wood, who gave the choir international visibility through travel during the 60s and 70s. Travel, both domestically and internationally, remains an integral part of the choir experience today, and the Morningside Choir will take flight once again in 2022 for a May Term to the Czech Republic, Austria, and Germany in conjunction with the applied agriculture and food studies program.

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"At Morningside, we take pride in providing life-changing experiential learning opportunities for students. For generations, choir tours have been very important to the fabric of the Morningside choral experience. I feel that international travel remains essential as the Morningside Choir strives for increased visibility and notoriety as one of the finest collegiate choral ensembles within the United States," said Person. "Perhaps more than ever, regional and national music tours are of utmost importance as we enhance and maintain student enrollment at Morningside. The framework of private liberal arts colleges and universities has vastly changed during the past twenty years, and tours are imperative to successful recruitment. My hope is that we will have a monumental impact on the music patrons and alumni in attendance and inspire our international audience to take interest in American choral music performance, particularly at Morningside."

Morningside's marching band brings the hype at Mustang football games.



"At Morningside, we take pride in providing life-changing experiential learning opportunities for students," said Ryan Person, director of the Morningside Choir.

With the 100th anniversary of the Morningside Choir just around the corner in 2023, the department is regarded as a leader of choral music in the Midwest and routinely recruits award-winning student musicians. In 2020, the Morningside Choir was the only college choir in the state selected to perform at the Iowa Choral Directors Association Showcase. The choir also regularly tours and connects with high school students throughout the region, resulting in increased interest in the program and for good reason - the pursuit of excellence is palpable in this program. Person says that the addition of excellent choral students has significantly expanded each ensemble's music reading ability and improved their performance of challenging repertoire. While standard choral repertoire remains at the heart of each performance, the directors also program selections that apply to and interest diverse student populations. The choirs have also partnered with numerous living composers to learn about their compositional methods and conditions for writing, and the students have found these experiences to be both enlightening and fulfilling.

The evolution of the choral program has only enhanced Christmas at Morningside, the annual holiday music spectacular in Eppley Auditorium each winter. This community tradition draws audience members from Siouxland and beyond, and the concert has become even more of an artistic experience in recent years. In 2021,

Christmas at Morningside will soar to greater heights with an expanded stage and state-of-the-art lighting and sound in addition to the choral and instrumental students and faculty who work tirelessly to create a Christmas performance unlike any other.

2021 will also see the revival of a community choir at Morningside. The Morningside Symphonic Chorus, formerly known as Master Chorale, is open to anyone in the area who wants to sing in a choral ensemble and perform incredible works of music by new and historic composers. Led by Josh Nannestad, director of music education and associate director of choral activities, the chorus will kick off their inaugural year with Carl Orff's Carmina Burana.

Opportunities like those offered in the Morningside Choir, treble choir Cantabile, tenor-bass choir Camerata, Morningside Symphonic Chorus, and the forever festive Christmas at Morningside are all part of Person and the music department's mission to increase visibility for the programs both on and off campus. Person is especially excited to continue fostering relationships with alumni with initiatives like the alumni choir during Homecoming and the development of the CODA Legacy Award.

"From singing 'The Morningside Hymn' to our annual choral retreat at Lake Okoboji, I feel blessed to associate with the customs that are important to our current students and alumni," Person said. "In doing so, I also believe the incorporation of traditions with new ideas has been essential in the development of our forward-trending program."

This song of tradition and transformation can also be heard in the jazz program, led by assistant professor of music and director of jazz studies Erik Mahon. He joined the Morningside music faculty in 2018, and he has seen an increase in the number of students interested in jazz each year. Now that the Morningside Jazz Ensemble has reached its capacity, he hopes to start a second ensemble in the near future to offer more opportunities for students to learn about and play jazz music.

The annual jazz festival is one of the ways that students and the community can engage with jazz music at Morningside. While COVID-19 prevented the jazz festival from being held in 2021, the festival will return in February for its 49th year. Mahon says the

Morningside Jazz Festival is the largest and longest running festival anywhere in this area, dating back decades to when jazz was more present in daily life and the 'who's who' of the art form played on Eppley's stage. During this three-day event, Morningside welcomes over 1,000 visitors to campus including high school students whose experience may result in their enrollment.

"Jazz is America's music. Jazz is not an exclusive art form - rather it is the exact opposite. All are welcome, whether they participate or enjoy as a listener. We as a music faculty simply want to welcome students into our musical communities and enrich their experiences, musically and otherwise, at Morningside," said Mahon.

While the ensembles at Morningside are open to all students, the experience they provide for music and music education majors is especially invaluable. From learning critical listening skills and having the opportunity to direct their peers to seeing their faculty model excellence in teaching and performing their own recitals, students majoring in music and music education are set up for success and ready to teach the next generation. Because



Morningside instrumental music education students can engage with jazz band, marching band, and concert band, they are better equipped to take over a comprehensive instrumental music program at most high schools and are often in high demand. Similarly, vocal music education majors establish a strong foundation in singing while exploring various music styles in choral ensembles and voice studios. Person credits voice faculty members Shannon Salyards Burton, Kate Saulsbury, and Blair Remmers '14 for their collaboration and guidance of young singers as they prepare for careers in performance and teaching. He also noted that learning how to build a community is an important part of becoming a music educator.

"While our ensembles are performance-based, significant time is spent team-building through large and small group conversation and activities," Person said. "Our future music teachers understand the importance of leading well-balanced rehearsals that support all students with respect given to their gender identity, race, ethnicity, and sexual orientation. In addition, our developing educators learn how to discuss and address mental health topics and support students with related conditions."

Gaines agrees that they want Morningside music education students to be the best prepared generation of future music teachers in our history.

"With the dedication of our current students, I believe they have an infinite ceiling to their potential," he said. "We hope to foster and inspire their dedication, and then shine a light on their talents."

Music education major Lincoln Larsen plays trumpet in the Morningside Jazz Ensemble.



Christmas at Morningside

Beginning in 2021, Christmas at Morningside will become a ticketed event with reserved seats to be selected online. Tickets will remain free of charge. Public online ticket selection will open on Monday, Sept. 27, at 7 a.m. Patrons will select assigned seats and keep a record of their seat rows/numbers for the performance. Limited ADA seating with raisable seat arms, as well as wheelchair-accessible spaces, will be available. By making Christmas at Morningside a ticketed concert, audience members will be guaranteed a seat and we will be better equipped to assist audience members with disabilities and specific seating needs.

If you are unable to purchase tickets online or have questions about ADA seating, please contact Kristal Grigsby, visual & performing arts administrative assistant, at grigsbyk@morningside.edu or (712) 274-5210.



SUMMER OF #Experience Matters By Carly Hanson

After a busy academic year, students and faculty enjoy a much-deserved break from the hustle and bustle during the summer months before school starts again in August. For some Morningsiders like Garrett Arbuckle, Riley Salzman, and Dayana Carbo, summer is the perfect time to take #ExperienceMatters to a new level with a research project or internship.



Riley Salzman

TYSON INTERNSHIP

Riley Salzman, a senior nursing major from Sioux Falls, S.D., was one of Morningside's 13 Tyson interns. The Tyson Foods Summer Community Internship Program provides full-time college students with an eightweek paid internship to assist community organizations and gain experience with diverse social issues. Salzman says his internship with the Sioux City Human Rights Commission

opened his eyes to amazing work being done by nonprofits in Sioux City to advocate for disenfranchised communities.

"I have always had a passion for helping people, and a part of this passion is helping people from disenfranchised communities. This is why I chose a career in nursing," Salzman said. "This summer, I have learned so much about discrimination and how to aid individuals who have been subjected to discrimination. In my future career as a nurse, I want to apply what I have learned to provide empathetic care to each patient I interact with."

SUMMER RESEARCH

Dayana Carbo, a senior political science major from Sioux City, participated in Morningside's Summer Undergraduate Research Program (SURP). SURP is a funded scholar's program that provides students and faculty an opportunity to collaborate on

with assistant professor of philosophy Brandon Boesch for a research project titled "The Communication and Interpretation of Uncertainty in Weather Forecasting," a philosophical exploration of

research and scholarly work during

the summer. Carbo worked

the ways in which uncertainty within meteorological prediction is communicated and interpreted.

"I believe a large part of the process of serving a community is understanding how information is communicated to them and how it will be received," Carbo said. "With the



Garrett Arbuckle

Siouxland area being culturally diverse, myself being of Hispanic background and having been raised in Ecuador until 10 years of age, I am interested in learning whether there are differences in how weather predictions are interpreted across different cultures."

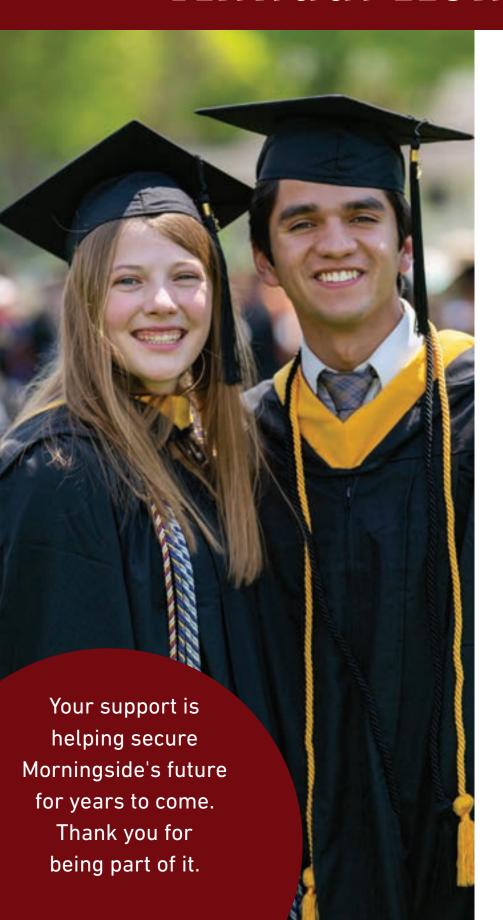
D.C. OPPORTUNITY

Garrett Arbuckle, a junior political science major from Littleton, Colo., spent his summer in Washington, D.C. as an intern for the U.S. House of Representatives in the office of Representative Carol Miller (R-WV). Arbuckle worked alongside the Congresswoman's staff to assist with drafting legislation and co-sponsorship memos, conducting research, writing press releases and social media posts, communicating with constituents, and helping with daily tasks that keep the office running smoothly. Additionally, he connected directly with the Congresswoman, talked about legislation, and sat in on meetings with lobbyists and stakeholders.

"This internship aligned with my career goals when it comes to reading, researching, and explaining legislation," said Arbuckle. "I want to go into law and politics, and learning what issues and concerns people have in order to represent them and find solutions is a valuable skillset."

Arbuckle added this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity was made possible with the assistance of faculty and staff at Morningside. He says the support he received from the university helped him feel confident about taking on new challenges and responsibilities. "Morningside is more than just a place to go to school. It is a community that is second to none," Arbuckle said. "This experience helped me grow as an individual and a professional, and I will remember this summer for the rest of my life."

Annual Honor Roll



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The Morningside University President's Society recognizes donors who contribute \$1,000 or more during a fiscal year (June 1 - May 31). It gives Morningside the opportunity to pay tribute and express gratitude to those donors who have demonstrated an extraordinary financial commitment. Morningside also acknowledges the Graduates Of the Last Decade (GOLD) who form the next generation of philanthropists through their gifts of \$100 or more.

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Dr. Mark '69 & Linda (Stark) '69 Titus Cliff '70 & Jean (Vandenburgh) '70 Tufty

U.S. Bank

Larry & Sue Utley

\$2,500-\$4,999

Anonymous

Adam '97 & Lynn (Callon) '97 Baumgartner

Dr. Paul Berger III '03

Larry Book

Daniel '78 & Sheila (Pollema) '80 Brooks

Jeremy Bullock '00

Michael '69 & Linda (Johnson) '69 Cadwell

Carolyn (Wolle) Cox '47

Crary Huff, Ringgenberg, Hartnett & Storm P.C.

Kevin & Terri Curry

CW Suter Services

Dr. David '76 & Diane (Hantsbarger) '76 Davidson

Dr. Stephen & Kathleen Davis

Dr. William Deeds & Pamla Hoadley

Dick & Marilyn Engle

Fred Erbes '62

Scott '75 & Brenda (Obrecht) '74 Ernst

Jan Rouse Finnegan '67

Tom '68 & Kris (Johnson) '70 Flynn

Cleo Franklin, Jr. '81

Trent & Kendra (Kock) '10 Fredericksen Mark '82 & Robin (Nilson) '82 Gambaiana

Jason '03 & Cheri (Jorgensen) '03 Gehling

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Michael & Mary Gay Gunsch

Claris Hanson

Janis '99 & Daryl Harrison

Hesse Enterprises, LLC

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John '52 & Janice (Haupt) '51 Mechem

Ryan '95 & Tracy (Bogenrief) '96 Meis David '01 & Julie (McBroom) '01 Miriovsky

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Novelty Machine & Supply Co.

Steve & Sherry O'Neill

Dennis '72 & Cheryl (Everson) '72 Pederson

Gary '63 & Beverly Peterson

Thomas '72 & Patricia (Rasmussen) '75 Pohlman

Audrey (Smeins) Poppen '59

John Prast '65

Dennis Reyman '92

Stalcup Agricultural Service

Randal '77 & Julie (Grassman) '81 Richardson

Keith '58 and Donna Roeper

Jack '08 & Teryn (Pomerenke) '08 Rother

Cole Schwarz '14

Pamela Miller-Smith '79 & Doug Smith Sodexo, Inc & Affiliates

John J. Steele '79

Dick '68 & Carol (Border) Stone Lori & Mark '75 Stuck



Al Sturgeon '79

Don '61 & Diane (Huntsinger) '63 Taylor

Michael '88 & Megan Tramp Peggy Vagts '76 & Mark Miller

Keith Vollstedt, M.D. '83 & Jaclyn Vollstedt

Dr. Craig Wansink '84

Scott & Carol (Bear) '86 Warren

Scott Wilcox '81

Mike '07 & Kari (Bull) '03 Winklepleck

Mary R. Packard Winkler, PhD

\$1.000-\$2.499

Absolute Screen Art

Kathy (Majorowicz) Agness '60

Rev. Paul Akin '68 Dr. Clark Albert Bill & Mary Allen

Anderson Brothers Printing Co.

Anonymous

Dr. Gary '70 & Laurel '70 (Nagel) Armstrong

Artisan Press

Scott & Stephen Kuehl Barry & Sandra Backhaus Bacon Creek Design, Inc.

Scott '94 & Jackie (Brummond) '95 Barber

Bruce Barnard '66 James Beermann '66 Bob '63 & Margaret '63 Bell Shari (Vaudt) '82 & Marc Benson

Rev. Neil Blair '73

Jonathan '01 & Stacy Blum

Bob Roe's Point After

Bomgaars Supply

Keith Bottorff '72

Lynne (Erickson) Boulden '74 & Dennis Boulden

Dr. Zeddie P. Bowen

Scott & Ruth Boyer

William Brandt '65 Douglas Brown '67 William Burke

Dr. J. Robert '70 & Christine Burkhart

Dr. Randall & Deb Burnight

Janis Callison '75

Jeffrey '05 & Rachel Carlson

Chris '89 & Heidi (Hobson) '93 Cassaday

Maxine (Shun) Chou '70

Dr. David '83 & Carolyn (Jones) '83 Clause

Jon '64 & Anne Cleghorn

John T. Connor II '66

Dustin '05 & Gretchen (Wickey) '01 Cooper

Steven '76 & Lynn (Farran) '83 Corrie

Larry Corrington '77 Larry Countryman '70

Bob '87 & Sandy (Popenhagen) '73 Craig

Arlene & Dave Curry Jeremiah Curry '13 Lt. Gen. Ron Dardis '65 Deane Davenport '72

Stuart Davenport '64 Gary Davis '65

J. Doug & J.R. Davis

Dr. Peter J. Dean II '68

Willie Delfs '83 - Able Homebuilders

Diesel Specialties, Inc. Col. Dwight Dinkla '74

Allison (Westergaard) Dirksen '01 Mary Kay (Harris) Duquette '84 Drs. Paul & Marilyn Eastman

Echo Electric Supply Jeff & Erin Edlund

Myrna (Fonley) Edmonds '77

Karen Einsidler

Michael '72 & Carolyn Ellwanger

William Enockson '51

David '11 & Roni (Miller) '10 Ericson

Mick & Pam Everett/Travel Memories Beverly (Tucker) '71 Fest & Bruce Fest

Foulk Bros. Plumbing & Heating

JoAnn Fowler '53 Jerry Foxhoven '74 Charles Franz '63

Gary '91 & Jeanette (Strub) '95 Frey

Miranda Galvin '08

Gary '74 & Debby Garst Charles & Shanna Gauger

Tom Gehl '75

Dr. Jeanne Giddings '80 Franklin Gilbert '62

Douglas '64 & Mary (Sorenson) '64 Glasnapp

Stephanie Golden

Douglas '69 & Marcia (Small) '69 Grabinski

Greenberg Found. of Sioux City

Dr. Tyrone Greive '65 & Janet Rayburn Greive

Tom '81 & Gina (Bryan) '81 Grimsley

Dr. Robert & Elizabeth Guelcher

Peter '96 & Rebecca (Gluth) '97 Haack

Mary Lou Haindfield '60 Lucille (Pippett) Hakala '41

Troy Hames III '81

James '69 & Miriam Hanke Randy '72 & Becky Hansen

Steven Hansen '77 & Glenda Den Herder '79

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

Sally Hartley

Larry '66 & Marybeth Heikes

Timothy Held

Melissa (Grant) Herbold '02

Dale '50 & Shirley Hewlett

Max '62 & Judy (Daniels) '64 Hill

Dave '70 & Linda (Hegge) '70 Holub

Iowa Annual Conference Milford Jacobson '40 Tim & Robin Jager Dr. Edward Johnson '73 Jeraldine Johnson '65

Mark Johnson '76

Mary (Taylor) Johnson '65 - in memory of Lory Johnson

Gary '68 & Judy (Murphey) '70 Jones

Mike & Char Jorgensen

Robert Josten '64 Jaclyn (White) Kelly '02

John Kelzenberg '86

DeWitt '59 & Phyllis (Mackintosh) '60 Killam

John Kilstrom '63 Murl Kjar '69

Jason '96 & Shelly (Van Meeteren) '96 Kleis

Knoepfler Chevrolet

BJ '03 & Kristin (Olson) '01 Koch

Bruce '60 & Beverly (Frazier) '63 Kolbe Jerry & Anne (Packard) '76 Kotlik

Steven '79 & Mary Kovarna

Clyde '61 & Marcia (Blenkarn) '64 Krause

Linda (Lamoureux) Krueger '79

Lee's Roofing LLC Dale Lenderts '76 Lewis Electric Co. Lyle & Betty Lieder

Dr. Lillian Lopez & Brent Linn

Aaron Lukken '93

John D. & Juliana J. Mayne Dixie (Kirkhart) Metcalf '58 Robert '50 & Vera Jean Meyer

Meyer Brothers Funeral Homes

Ida (Childs) Milligan '90

Thomas '68 & Carol (Johnson) '69 Misfeldt

Michael Montague '76 Dr. Earl & Joyce Moore

Russell Movall '69

Bill & Ann (Michener) '66 Mrla

Dr. David Mulder '61 Terry Muldowney '68 Sharon (Priegnitz) Nelson '62

Joan Nielsen

Kirk '85 & Sonja '85 (Andresen) Nielsen

Dennis Nitz

Kris (Sargent) Noreen '80

Janet (Barks) O'Brien '79 Marc '02 & Jill (Simmons) '02 Obbink

Sharon & Donna Ocker Mike & Mary Origer

Michael '59 & Patsy (Starr) '59* Owen

Asa '67 & Karen (Brenner) '69 Oye Dr. Thomas Packard '70

David Patch '82

David & Marta (Johnson) '72 Patee John '74 & Catherine (Aunan) '76 Paul

Thomas & Michelle Paulsen

Dr. John & Kari Pinto

Pioneer Bank Andrew Poeckes '14

Prestige Collision Centers LaDonna (Rispalje) Preston '53

Steven Reed '76

Reich Painting & Decorating Co.

Jeffrey Reinders '80

Plains Mechanical Services, Inc Charles Rexroat '56

Douglas Rice '75 Chris Rich '90

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Michael '66 & Linda (Jalas) '67 Rickert Rev. Allen '73 & Donna (Tack) '72 Ricks

Patrick '86 & Sandy Rogers

Daniel Rudeen '14

Daniel '00 & Anne (Cady) '00 Ryan

Richard Salem '65

RE/MAX

Dr. Jeffrey Santi '91

Bill Scheel

Dr. Donald Schenk

Michael Schmidt

Steven Schmidt '73

Laura (Scammacca) Schmitt '89

Kevin '87 & Eunice '85 (Tseng) Scholten

Fred Schriever Trust

Don & Marian (Meyer) '95 Schuldt

Mitchell '11 & Amanda (Nelson) '11 Schultze

Margaret (Dilly) Sears '71

Jill Seinola '74

Thomas Selwold

Dr. Larry & Pauline (Gensler) '89 Sensenig

Randy Shideler

Wayne Shively '65

Ed '65 & Jane (Shrader) '70 Sibley

Siouxland Federal Credit Union

Brad '02 & Kathy (Cave) '02 Sitzmann

Jeffrey Smith '91

Dr. Jerome '75 & Cheryl (Hogeboom) '75 Smith

La Vone Sopher '79 & Randy Bradley '91

Donna (Lageschulte) '69 & Ken '68 Speake

Chris & Christy Spicer

Lynn (Litterick) Splittorff '70

Dave '65 & Cathy Stead

Strawn Construction Services Inc.

Dr. Gary '79 & Pamela (Lourens) '81 Stuck

J. William '09 & Kate Swanson

Chuck Szitas '13

Wade & Karmen Ten Napel

Cheryl Tevis '72

Rev. Dennis '69 & Glenna (Erickson) '70 Tevis

Don Thompson '65

Paul '84 & Nancy (Miller) '92 Treft

David W. Treimer '80

Carlton Tronvold '61

Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc.

Walden Charitable Foundation

Donald '55 & Eunice Van Der Weide

Stephen '70 & Margaret '71 (Marshall) Wendel

Neil '62 & Lynne (Minear) '61 Wainwright

Thomas Warren '83

Dick Weikert

Craig '84 & Joan Werner

JJ White '01

Karen (Vanderloo Gagnon) Wiese '97

Korev Willnauer '74

Woodhouse Auto

Gold Members

Alexander Annan '11

Maurice '19 & Ashleen (Marr) '20 Blackbird

Elizabeth Bohlmann '18

Nicholas J. Brincks '14 & Paige E. (Potter)

Brincks '15

Heather Brown '12

Nicholas Buth '11

Jesus Cendejas '14

Skylore Curry '18

Kirsten Dargy '13

Alec DeVries '17

Alexandra (Hirt) Ferritto '14

Scott '14 & Cameron (Oakley) '14 Finke

Stefanie Ford '13

Andrew '11 & Amanda (Plemel) '09 Gerodias

Danny A. Graves '17 & Natasha E.

Hongsermeier-Graves '17

Steven Gustafson '19

Steven '10 & Michele (Witcombe) '11 Hadley

Nick '12 & Jordan (Walsh) '12 Haedt

Brett '14 & Stacie Hays

Laura (Maynard) Hummelgard '13

Michael '13 & Ariel (Turnquist) '14 Huseman

Craig Jorgensen '18

Kyle Kommes '20

Jessica (Boschen) Kroeger '12

Dexter Lambie '16

Christopher Levine '13

Carlie Maasz '17

Kelsey Martin '12

Evan Meinen '15

Trent Miller '14

Michael Oetken '13

Stephen O'Neill '15

Joan Osborn '11

Tyler Paulson '19

Linda (Gearheart) Richardson '19

Sheila Ruiz '18

Abby (Bull) Sayers '11

Breanna Schwartz '13

Nathan Schwartz '11

Sarah Schwartz '19

Kayla Stehlik '11

Abigail Sump '18

Evan Swan '11 Noah Towns '16

Marshall '11 & Megan (Mosher) '11 Tuttle

Christopher Van Horn '18

Spencer Walker '13

Stacy & Erin '13 Weiland

Patrick '14 & Amy (Baer) '13 Whitsell Keith '18 & Teagan (Nyren) '19 Winger

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W.S. LEWIS SOCIETY

The W.S. Lewis Society pays tribute to individuals and families who have included Morningside in their estate plans or have supported the university through an endowed scholarship gift. For more information, go to legacy.morningside.edu or contact Jonathan Blum at blumi@morningside.edu

Michael '72 & Linda (McFarlane) '72 Alexander

Gene Ambroson

Gary '61 & Terri Anderson

Anonymous (2)

Larry Arnold '65 & Joan Arnold '67

Dr. Ćraig '70 & Sandy '70 Bainbridge

Sally Bartlett

Carole Beck

Bob '63 & Margaret '63 Bell

Mike & Margie Bennett

David Blair

Jonathan '01 & Stacy Blum

David '58 & Bonnie Bogue

Mary Ann Bolton

Lynn (Erickson) Boulden '74 & Dennis Boulden

Muriel Briggs '48

Lucy Y. Buhler Dr. J. Robert '70 & Christine Burkhart

Diane Bushyager '62

G. Ray Bushyager '67

Douglas Lee Camarigg

Matt '98 & Stacey Campbell

Charles Carlberg '69

John Gregory '67 & Joan Everly '68 Clark

Joe Clausen '65

Jon '64 & Anne Cleghorn

Warren Conner '60

John Connor II '66

Carolyn (Wolle) Cox '47 Bob '87 & Sandy (Popenhagen) '73 Craig

Dr. Larry Crummer '71 & Bill Oman

Gretchen (Bottom) Dalzell

Barbara Danger '67

Charles '66 & Virginia (Landman) '66 Danish

Deane Davenport '72

Dr. David '76 & Diane (Hantsbarger) '76 Davidson

Nancy (Nelson) DeMeyer '76

Judith Dirks '59

Donald P. Ducommun '61

Josh & Anne Ellwanger Michael '72 & Carolyn Ellwanger

Mr. & Mrs. Richard C. Engle

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William Enockson '51 Beverly (Tucker) Fest '71 & Bruce Fest Dr. Dan L. Flanagan '69 Carol (Loken) Forbes '70 Jerry Foxhoven '74 Mike & Mary Freeman Mark Freerks '79 Janice (Lingebach) Galli '76 Mark '82 & Robin (Nilson) '82 Gambaiana

Jan (Deemer) George '77 & Ted George Laura (Treptow) Gerkin '55

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Dr. Tyrone Greive '65 & Janet Rayburn Greive Lucille (Pippett) Hakala '41

Troy Hames III '81 James Hamilton '53 Margaret (Wood) Hancock '54

James '69 & Miriam Hanke Randy '72 & Becky Hansen Claris Hanson

James '69 & Carol (Seagren) '72 Hanthorne Janis '99 & Daryl Harrison

Linda (Readout) Harward '81 & Gary Harward '64

Larry '66 & Marybeth Heikes Dan '71 & Sue (Roberts) '72 Henderson

Richard & Mary Hettinger Dale '50 & Shirley Hewlett Max '62 & Judy (Daniels) '64 Hill

Robert Hoover '71 Jerry & Carol Israel Timothy '71 & Betty Jackes Milford Jacobson '40 Lee B. Jarvis '62 Donna (Haafke) Johnson '58

Ron '79 & Kathy Jorgensen James & Mary (Rogers) '68 Kaplafka Richard '71 & Frances (Radtke) '71 Keith DeWitt '59 & Phyllis (Mackintosh) '60 Killam

Harry '65 & Marlys Kitts Frances (Jaffa) Kline '95 Robert G. Knowler

Suzanne (Andresen) Kolbo '15 Robert G. Koshkarian '68

John & Nancy (Cummings) '79 Lawrence

Arthur Leiby '73 Barbara Lewison '86

Lyle & Betty Lieder Brett Lyon '04

Dr. Esther Mackintosh '69 Nick '03 & JJ (Benson) '03 Marlow Charles Martin '76 Charles '67 & Patricia Mason Larry Mason '73 Doris Mauer

Russell McComsey '75 Gary '62 & Kathy (McComb) '63 McConnell

Michael & Jan (Sellen) '72 McGrane John '52 & Janice (Haupt) '51 Mechem Bonnie '64 & Donald Messer Robert '50 & Vera Jean Meyer Darlene (Froehlich) Miller

Ervin Miller

Dr. Earl & Joyce Moore Marjorie (McCracken) Morrell '70

Thomas '70 & Carol (Dahl) '71 Narak Shiran & Kristi Nathaniel

James '80 & Susan '81 Nelson Jon D. Nelson '78

Sharon K. Nelson '62 Steven Nelson '74 David Nielsen

Sharon & Donna Ocker Mark O'Connell '85

Russ '76 & Robyn (Reckert) '76 Olson Ron '73 & Stephanie O'Neal

Mark Packard '73 Doug & Cathy Palmer

David Patch '82

Gary '63 & Beverly Peterson Charlotte (Krug) Petty '55 Margaret (Lohr) Phelps '55

Barbara Pitts '70

Audrey (Smeins) Poppen '59

John Prast '65 O. Nelson Price '51 Khalid & Terrie Rasheed John & Robin Reynders Tom & Paula Rice

Randal '77 & Julie (Grassman) '81 Richardson Cory A. Roberts, M.D.

Leo Roepke '59 Tom Rosen '70 Marcelene Saylor Lucille Shaffer

Ed '65 & Jane (Shrader) '70 Sibley

Jules Smith '62

Pamela Miller-Smith '79 & Doug Smith La Vone Sopher '79 & Randy Bradley '91 Rosalee (Jacobson) Sprout '60

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Dr. Jonieta Stone Randall Stoneking '68

Rita M. Swan Ph.D. Don '61 & Diane (Huntsinger) '63 Taylor Milo '52 & Patricia (Kirkhofer) '53 Thompson

Dr. Mark '69 & Linda (Stark) '69 Titus

Carlton Tronvold '61

Stephen '67 & Theresa Ullman Peggy Vagts '76 & Mark Miller Jim '70 & Sharon '70 Walker James '59 & Joyce (Fry) '61 Weaver Philip Webb '81

Karen (Vanderloo Gagnon) Wiese '97 Korey Willnauer '74

Connie Horton Wimer '54 Mike '07 & Kari (Bull) '03 Winklepleck

Gregory '74 & Kristine (Linn) '74 Winneke Ronald '70 & Jeannette Yockey

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FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

New Appointments

Tonia Abell, employee benefits specialist/ HR assistant

Bryce Armstrong, help desk and audio visual technician

Jessica Baldwin, data coordinator and analyst

Nick Buth '11, marketing and content coordinator

Dustin Carnes, housekeeper

Jordan Epp '21, administrative assistant for the Sharon Walker School of Education

Kelli Flack, assistant professor of undergraduate nursing

Martin Gaines, assistant professor of music and director of bands

Dennis Gonzales, software engineer

Kristal Grigsby, administrative assistant for the School of Visual and Performing Arts

Avery Henderson '21, software engineer **Austin Hendrix**, assistant physical plant director/grounds

Hunter Hovde, general maintenance technician

Angela Keller, clinical/practicum coordinator for the Nylen School of Nursing

Caroline Larkin, director of field placements for the Sharon Walker School of Education

Christine Madden, administrative assistant for the humanities department

Polly Manske assistant professor of education

Audrey Maynard, administrator coordinator for the applied agriculture and food studies department

Kris Mickelson, associate professor of education

Caprice Moore, assistant professor of accounting and business

Matthew Powell, help desk team lead

Jason Reynoldson, director of physical plant

Samantha Rozeboom '20 '21, assistant professor of graduate nursing

Andrea Ruiz, instructional designer for the Sharon Walker School of Education

Stacia Schuur, accounting assistant

Brenda Wimmer, assistant professor of graduate nursing

Cordelia Yates, assistant professor of undergraduate teacher education

New Dean of the School of Business and Continuing Studies

Darrel Sandall
joined
Morningside
as the dean of
the School of
Business and
Continuing
Studies in June
2021. Prior
to his role at
Morningside, he
worked at the



Darrel Sandall

Florida Institute of Technology as the assistant director for the Center for Innovation Management & Business Analytics and as an associate professor of management at the Bisk College of Business.









Barb Chambers

Kim Hawkins

Joan Nielsen

Deb Protexter

Retirements

Otis Boyok, general maintenance technician

Barb Chambers, advisor and director of special education certification program for the Sharon Walker School of Education

Kim Hawkins, administrative assistant for applied agriculture and food studies

Joan Nielsen, a member of Sharon Walker School of Education

Deb Protexter, administrative assistant for the school of visual and performing arts

Lucille and Charles Wert Faculty Excellence Award

Dr. Aaron Bunker is this year's Lucille and Charles Wert Faculty Excellence Award recipient. The Wert Award honors faculty for their excellence in teaching, civility and concern for students and colleagues, and leadership in a variety of settings. Dr. Bunker, an associate professor of physiology, was recognized for his work in helping institute the highly successful Summer Undergraduate Research Program, creating new courses

that address specific student



Aaron Bunker

needs, fostering a sense of community through the organization of a faculty Happy Hour, and serving on several important committees and task forces.

Jackie Barber honored as outstanding nurse in Siouxland

In May 2021, the Sioux City Journal honored five outstanding nurses in Siouxland, including Morningside's Jackie Barber '95. Barber is the dean of the Nylen School of Nursing, and she has been a driving force in growing our nursing department to offer graduate programs, including the Doctor of Nursing Practice degree, and reimagine online degree completion opportunities for working nurses. She works tirelessly to ensure that the quality of instruction and curriculum at Morningside are at the highest possible standard while continuing to be a caring and compassionate practicing nurse, devoted mother, wife, and friend.



Jackie Barber '95 with her family at the ceremony honoring outstanding nurses in Siouxland.

Morningside University President Search Committee

Morningside University and AGB Search have officially launched the search for the next president of Morningside University. A 16-member President Search Committee comprised of members of the Morningside University Board of Directors, students, faculty, and staff is overseeing the search with the assistance of AGB Search. Former board chair Craig Struve '70 is serving as chair of the committee. The Board of Directors hopes to announce a new president before the end of 2021.

Chair: Craig Struve '70, outgoing chair of the Morningside Board of Directors

Ex officio: Esther Mackintosh '69, incoming chair of the Morningside Board of Directors

Garrett Arbuckle, Morningside Student Body President and Morningside Board of Directors

Chad Benson '90, Morningside Board of Directors

Dr. Kim Christopherson, professor and educational technologist Sharon Walker School of Education and Morningside Board of Directors

Cleo Franklin '81, Morningside Board of Directors

Dr. Greg Guelcher, professor of history

Stacie Hays, associate vice president for career & employer engagement

Dr. Valerie Hennings '01, associate professor of political science

Deb Kiesey '73, Morningside Board of Directors

JJ Marlow '03, director of Morningside Fund

Cindy Moser, Morningside Board of Directors

Marty Palmer, Morningside Board of Directors

Regina Roth, past member, Morningside Board of Directors

Jim Walker '70, Morningside Board of Directors

Curt White '76, Morningside Board of Directors

MILESTONES AND MEMORIES

1953

Ruth (Wilson) Hickman

celebrated 40 years of teaching the Bible in her ministry Abundant Word Ministries in Denver, Colo. She has travelled all over the United States and has been to Israel 10 times, leading a group six times.

1958

Vincent McMahon retired after a 50-year career coaching football and baseball.

1960

Ronald Stone's 25th book on religious ethics and society, "The Ethics of Paul Tillich" with Mercer University Press, will be published in the fall.

1961

Gail Morse retired after 55 years of teaching at Atlantic High School.

1965

Dick Salem recently celebrated his 50th year in Siouxland Real Estate.

1968

Douglas Smith retired in 2012 from East Stroudsburg University as director of university relations after 12 years. Before that, Smith worked as the public relations director at Briar Cliff University.

1971

bill russell co-directed a streamed version of "elegies for angels, punks and raging queens," for which he coauthored the book and lyrics in the late 80s as a Broadway Cares/Equity Fights Aids. BC/EFA plans to re-stream it every Dec. 1, World AIDS Day.

1975

Rick (Lex) Luther remains retired from his career as a tax accountant and is now living in The Villages, Fla. He also is "still waiting for a train."

1976

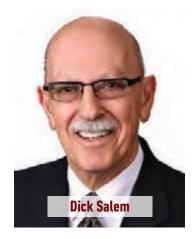
David Davidson retired as president from Davidson Family Dentistry, a clinical dental practice he owns with his son, after 40 years.

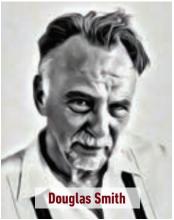
Peggy Vagts retired from the University of New Hampshire as professor of music in Durham, N.H. She taught applied flute lessons, music theory, and appreciation courses for 42 years as well as worked in administration for two terms as chair of the department of music and assistant to the dean of the College of Liberal Arts as a faculty fellow.

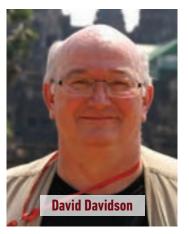
1977

Kent Boyer earned his Ph.D. in humanities at the age of 65 and was awarded Best Dissertation of 2020 by the University of Dallas School of Arts and Humanities. He has accepted a position as a humanities professor at Northeast Iowa Community College in Calmar, Iowa.

Steve Brown retired as a teacher and coach from OABCIG Community School District in Ida Grove, Iowa, after 44 years.



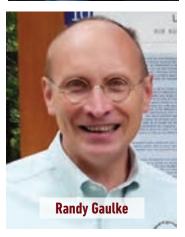














Steven Hansen was elected to the Iowa House District 14 after taking over the Sioux City Public Museum and serving eight years in the House and eight years in the Senate.

Sue (Gambaiana) Lovin retired after 42 years in education from Albert City-Truesdale High School, where she had worked for seven years as a paraeducator. Prior to that, she taught for 35 years at West Harrison, Sergeant Bluff-Luton, and Sioux Central. She is now enjoying time with family and friends and hopes

to travel in the near future.

1979 Al Sturgeon's business Al Sturgeon Law Firm in Sioux City, Iowa, celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2021. Sturgeon earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of Iowa and began practicing law in 1991. Sturgeon also served in the Iowa legislature from 1980-1994, as a member of the Iowa House of Representatives from 1980-1986, and as a State Senator from Sioux City from 1986-1994 before retiring and returning to practice law full time.

Anna (Miller) Wanglie retired as a registered nurse from Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, Minn., after 38 years. She graduated in the early years of the first nursing program at Morningside and felt that her training was very up to par compared to other nursing programs. She plans on traveling, spending time with her children and grandchildren, gardening, and many other pursuits.

1981

Rick Birkhofer retired from John Morrell/Smithfield Foods as plant manager in Sioux City, Iowa. After 38 years working, he now plans on relocating with his wife to Wichita, Kan.

Scott Boyer's foundation, ROW, that he co-founded with colleagues at OWP Pharmaceuticals in Naperville, Ill., is now in 25 countries globally and has made donations related to education, diagnostic equipment and treatments that have exceeded \$20M. This foundation provides support for epilepsy and other neuroscience disorders to the under-resourced worldwide.

Joy (Parker) Fitzgerald retired as a librarian media specialist from Rockville High School in Vernon, Conn., after 26 years. She retired early to caretake for her husband, and after three years, they are hoping to travel and visit family and friends across the country.

Sue (Iler) Nelson retired.

1982

Sherri Levers accepted a position as the senior financial analyst for the graduate department at Creighton University.

1983

Beth (Hanauer) Weisser won reelection to a four-year-term for the Kingman Unified School District Governing Board in Kingman, Ariz. after working with her late husband, Mikel, to pass legalization for Arizona in 2020. She will continue serving on the Arizona Democratic Party State Committee until 2022.

1985

Randy Gaulke accepted to participate in the Accreditation Program for the International Guild of Battlefield Guides.

Kelli (Murphy) Tuttle retired after 34 years in the Sioux City Schools and recently accepted a part-time English language learner teacher position at Dakota Valley Schools in North Sioux City, S.D.

1988

Kirt Bennett is still playing over 100 baseball games a year.

1989

Rev. Lanette (Pollock) Plambeck

began as assistant to Bishop Laurie Haller on July 1, 2021, at the Iowa Conference of The United Methodist Church in Des Moines, Iowa. She will also continue her current position as director of clergy and leadership excellence. Plambeck has also served Morningside as chaplain, director of church relations and adjunct faculty.

1993

Jenny (Groetken) Rants was recognized with a teacher profile from the Iowa Department of Education in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week. She has been teaching for 27 years and is currently a K-5 special education teacher.

1994

Kent Lundquist graduated from St. Mary's University in Minn. with a master of arts in philanthropy and development. He is currently the vice president of development and support services at Cherokee Regional Medical Center.

CLASS NOTES

1996

Daniel Brock accepted a job at Moderna Inc. in Norwood, Mass. as director of manufacturing. He was also fortunate enough to work on the COVID-19 vaccine through clinical trials into commercial manufacturing.

Scott Moseman received a Doctorate in Philosophy (Ph.D.) in History at Kansas State University on May 14, 2021. He also accepted a job at Command and General Staff College as an assistant professor.

Shiloh (Woolman) Todorov

accepted the position as development director at Move to PROSPER (MTP) in Columbus, Ohio.

1997

Meredith Schladweiler

accepted a position at SouthPoint Financial Credit Union in New Ulm, Minn., as member advisor in the contact center. She has also recently changed her last name back to her maiden name in honor of her adoption to her parents years ago.

1999

Aaron Gaghagen completed more than 20 years in television news in Ariz., Minn., and Calif. as video editor and has changed careers to online creator for VTEC Academy and Hasport Performance.

Cameron Scott recently left Woodbury County Sheriff's Department after 18 years as a correctional officer and accepted a position as a probation/parole officer with the Iowa Department of Corrections in Sheldon, Iowa.

2000

Marc Shriver celebrated 15 years with Well Fargo, where he is currently a control officer within the Chief Control Executive Office. He has also opened up an F45 Training studio in downtown Minneapolis and celebrated 15 years of marriage with his wife, Miranda, in Sept. 2021.

2001

Jay Simms is the partnering owner of Armour Insurance (formerly Gade Insurance) in Council Bluffs, Iowa, which is one of three locations in southwest Iowa.

2003 Amanda (Van Meeteren) Haverhals graduated from Morningside University with a

Doctor of Nursing Practice.

2004

Leah Godbersen celebrated her 16th and golden anniversary as lead graphic designer at Merrill Manufacturing in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Sarah (Vandevanter) Schmidt

accepted a position as special education strategist at Northwest AEA in Sioux City, Iowa.





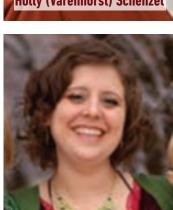




Dennis Reyman was installed as president of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers on Nov. 12, 2020, in a virtual ceremony and celebration in Storm Lake, Iowa. He has served as the chair for the National Government Relations committee for over 10 years. In 2021, he received the Education of Excellence Award for developing a national Crop Conditions Report.







Britt (Gebhardt) Farrell





Emily (Omer) Winterwood and her husband, Zachary

Winterwood, have two daughters, Talia, born in 2010, and Elena, born in 2013. She works at the University of Nebraska Medical Center as software engineer III/DBA.

2005 Holly (Varenhorst) Schenzel

was appointed assistant professor of nursing in the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science. Since 2014, she has practiced clinically as a nurse practitioner in the Division of Hospital Internal Medicine.

2010 Britt (Gebhardt) Farrell and Kasey Farrell celebrated 10 years of marriage in Sioux City, Iowa.

2011

Nate McDonald accepted a position at Exira-Elk Horn-Kimballton Community School District in Elk Horn, Iowa, as the 6-12th grade principal.

2015

Tyler (Arensdorf) Jones accepted a position as a

case manager at Compassus Hospice in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

2016 Madison (Fisher) Glade

accepted a job as a middle school science teacher and track coach for Kingsley-Pierson Community School District in Kingsley, Iowa.

Marissa (Childress) Sinsabaugh

graduated with a Master's of Science in Nursing from Morningside University in June, 2021.



Amanda (Van Meeteren)

Haverhals



2003

Jason Gehling and Cheri (Jorgensen) Gehling purchased a manufacturing company in April of 2019 named Fyre-Tec located in Wayne, Neb., where they manufacture steel fire rated windows used in large, industrial projects.





2017 Natasha Hongsermeier-Graves

is one of 16 students in the country selected for Harvard University's 2021-2022 Zuckerman Fellows Program in Boston, where she will complete a master's degree in public health with an emphasis on health policy.

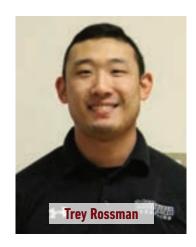
Haley Mummert recently received a promotion to HRIS administrator and analyst II at Wells Enterprises in Le Mars, Iowa.

Trey Rossman accepted a job at Ravenna Public Schools in Ravenna, Neb. teaching 7-12 social studies. He is also the head wrestling coach and assistant football and track and field coach.

2018

Rachael Arnts accepted a position as a customer service specialist at Farm Credit Services of America in Sioux City, Iowa.

Sabrina Guerra accepted a position as residence life area coordinator at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Va.



Zoe (Sullivan) Knudsen

accepted a position as safety manager at American Popcorn Company in Sioux City, Iowa. She is forever thankful for the confidence and connections Morningside has given her, finding her Tyson Internship with JollyTime Popcorn to open a door of opportunity.

2020

Paige Blum has recently accepted a position as a medical lab scientist/technologist at MercyOne Siouxland Medical Center in Sioux City, Iowa, and began full-time in July after finishing the MLS program.

Abbey (McDonald) Fitzgerald

graduated from Buena Vista University with a master's of science in education.

Mari Pizzini accepted a position as a content strategist at Hurrdat in Omaha, Neb.



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NEWLYWEDS

2001

Julie Vollink and Eric Hueschen, Aug. 15, 2020.

2014

Tyler "Anvil" Sinsabaugh and Marissa Childress '16, July 24, 2020.

2015

Elizabeth White and Christopher Braunschweig, April 24, 2021.

Ethan Van Briesen and Lauren Stanton, Dec. 12, 2020.

2017

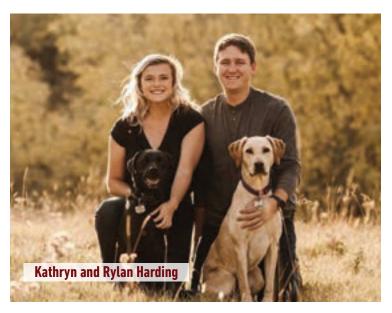
Kathryn Jones and Rylan Harding, July 30, 2021.

2019

Krista Waite and Ethan Bonzer, Sept. 5, 2021.











FUTURE MORNINGSIDERS

2005

Jessica (McKeever) Faulk and Nick Faulk welcomed Carson Nicholas Faulk on Mar. 31, 2019.

2008

Nate Mausbach and Nicki (Gengler) Mausbach '12 welcomed Theo Mausbach on Jul. 22, 2020. They also have three other future Morningsiders: Archer (6), Finley (5), and Jovi (3).

2012

Mitchell Parkhill and Beth Parkhill welcomed Theodore James Parkhill on Mar. 6, 2021.

2014

Alex (Hirt) Ferritto and Mike Ferritto welcomed Weston Michael Ferritto on Nov. 8, 2020.

Andrew Iversen and **Audri (Swisher) Iversen** '15 welcomed Edith Miriam Iversen on Feb. 19, 2021.

2019

Kaitlyn (Polk) Thomas and Dylan Thomas welcomed Zayden Christopher Thomas on Jul. 27, 2021.







IN LOVING MEMORY

1940

Frances (Gasink) Gard North Sioux City, S.D., died May 9, 2021.

1941

Norma (Neilson) Crewdson

Burnsville, Minn., died Sept. 17, 2016.

Dorothy (Jones) Wright Omaha, Neb., died June 17, 2021.

1947

Ruth (Milton) Hamilton Sioux City, Iowa, died Feb. 5, 2021.

Berton Tagg Sioux City, Iowa, died July 3, 2021.

1948

Amy (Mattson) Mulford Iowa City, Iowa, died Jan. 18, 2021. Yoshindo Shibuya Bonita, Calif,

Mar. 31, 2020.

1949

Clarice (Moone) Speck Sioux City, Iowa, died July 19, 2021.

1950

Melvin Forsling Sioux City, Iowa, died Mar. 10, 2021.

Carol (Corrie) Fountain

Yankton, S.D., died June 15, 2021.

Willis Howard Rapid City, S.D., died July 7, 2021.

James Woods Chandler, Ariz., died Feb. 21, 2021.

1951

Joan (Johnson) BostromDublin, Ohio, died June 11,

2021.

1952

Florence (Brand) Green

Lincoln, Neb., died June 5, 2021.

Cecelia (Malloy) Taylor Sioux City, Iowa, died May 3, 2021.

1953

Ramon Horton Sioux City, Iowa, died Mar. 22, 2021.

Gordon Vickery, Sr. Winona, Minn., died May 2, 2021.

1954

Roger Clemensen King, N.C., died Jan. 9, 2021.

1956

Harry "Bill" Holsclaw Clinton, Iowa, died Feb. 18, 2021.

Russell Klay Camdenton, Mo., died Jan. 9, 2021.

1957

Keith Kading Farmington, Maine, died Feb. 8, 2021.

1958

Bernard Kots Akron, Iowa, died July 3, 2021.

Judith (Grau) Stachour Iowa City, Iowa, died May 10, 2021.

Mary (Pappas) Vlahoulis Sioux City, Iowa, died Feb. 19, 2021.

1959

Norman Ashby Sioux City, Iowa, died June 29, 2021.

Karen (Hansen) Lange Phoenix, Ariz., died Feb. 19, 2021.

Bertie Louscher North Fort Myers, Fla., died Jan. 10, 2021.

1960

David Bircher Quebec, Qc., Canada, died Mar. 16, 2021.

1962

Richard Biegler Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, May 30, 2021.

James Earl Parsons Littleton, Colo., died Nov. 22, 2020.

Richard Rahn Omaha, Neb., died May 24, 2021.

1963

Barbara (Larson) Lownsberry

Littleton, Colo., died Feb., 4, 2021.

Roger Murray Lincoln, Neb., died Feb. 18, 2021.

Floyd Pfaffle Kingsley, Iowa, died Feb. 6, 2021.

James Wahlstrom Hinton, Iowa, died May 4, 2021.

1964

Roger Jerman Seymour, Ind., died May 31, 2021.

Leroy Nepple Clive, Iowa, died July 13, 2021.

1965

Beverly (Baxter) Mele Virginia Beach, Va., died Jan. 10, 2021.

Gary Bentley North Sioux City, S.D., died Mar. 25, 2021.

Jan Madland Grant Okoboji, Iowa, died July 25, 2021

1966

Thomas Clark Moville, Iowa, died Jan. 25, 2021.

Joan (Rye) Mitchell Sioux City, Iowa, died June 2, 2021.

1967

Rosalie (Grundman) Ivener

Sioux City, Iowa, died April 28, 2021.

James Rupert Lake View, Iowa, died June 24, 2021.

1968

David Armstrong Billings, Mo., died Feb. 21, 2021.

Floyd Schemmel Sherman, Texas, died Mar. 1, 2021.

Suzann (Neir) Todd Gilbert, Ariz., died Mar. 14, 2021.

1969

Lindley Bedard Beaverton, Ore., died Mar. 1, 2021.

1970

Harold Hanson Peoria, Ariz., died Jan. 23, 2021.

Donald Kvam Sioux City, Iowa, died Jan. 26, 2021.

Curtis Swedlund Fort Dodge, Iowa, died April 12, 2021.

1972

Marsha (Sindt) Ballou Sioux City, Iowa, died Mar. 4, 2021.

Norman Dudley The Villages, Fla., died Jan. 21, 2021.

Dean Haze Estes Park, Colo., died Mar. 21, 2021.

James Hokanson Sioux City, Iowa, Feb. 15, 2021.

Jim Killam Osage Beach, Mo., died Feb. 2, 2021.

1973

Gerald Kaiser Lufkin, Texas, died Jan. 1, 2021.

Kenneth Rhodes Saint Paul, Minn., died Jan. 4, 2021.

1974

Deborah (Hanson) Argast Lincoln, Maine, died May 12,

2021.

1978

Jospeh Cmelik Jr. Yukon, Okla., died Feb. 25, 2021.

Paul M. Holstein Marion, Iowa, died May 22, 2021.

1979

Patrick Pearson South Sioux City, Neb., died April 26, 2021.

1980

Tamera Augustus Granger, Iowa, died Sept. 11, 2020.

1984

Timothy Topf Omaha, Neb., May 13, 2021.

1987

Jean Calligan-Salmons Sioux City, Iowa, died Jan. 6, 2021.

Steven Parrish Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, died June 4, 2021.

1988

Robert McMullen Roland, Iowa, died Feb. 15, 2021.

1992

Joanne (Schumansky)

McArthur Sioux City, Iowa, died Mar, 2, 2021.

1993

Neil Cullen Spencer, Iowa, died July 7, 2021.

2004

Chad Ballard Sioux City, Iowa, died Mar. 1, 2021.

Stephanie (Livermore) Keller Omaha, Neb., died April 5, 2021.

CHERISHED FRIENDS

Deanna Daniels Sioux City, Iowa, was a former associate professor of business and died Nov. 7, 2020.

Anne Ewing Sioux City, Iowa, was a former staff member and died March 6, 2021.

Gene Hagen '59 Palm Harbor, Fla., was a former board of directors member and died July 22, 2021.

Richard Wilen Sioux City, Iowa, was a former staff member and died April 28, 2021.

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