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from President Pribbenow

On Augsburg's saga of access and excellence

A few years ago my good friend and predecessor as Augsburg's president, Bill Frame, introduced me to Burton Clark's work on the concept of saga as it relates to the distinctive character and identity of colleges and universities. A saga, according to Clark, is more than a story—all of us have stories. A saga is more of a mythology—a sense of history and purpose and direction that is told in vocabulary and narrative that accounts for a college's DNA, its essence even—and it abides in the people, programs, and values that define an institution.

Clark contends that not every institution has a saga. Sometimes this is a function of not being true to founding values. At other times it can be occasioned by a change of location or core mission. Still other institutions have not found a way to link their pasts, presents, and futures in a coherent narrative.

I believe firmly that Augsburg does have a saga, and it runs deep in the culture and meaning of our work here together. My exploration of Augsburg's rich history has surfaced several themes that are central to our saga. I think you will recognize them: Augsburg is shaped by an immigrant sensibility, by the pursuit of freedom through a liberal arts approach to learning, by serving our neighbor and the world, and by the centrality of faith to our vision of education.

Another central theme in our saga is powerfully illustrated in the articles in this issue of the *Augsburg Now*. We believe deeply in making Augsburg's high-quality education accessible to all those who seek to learn at the intersections of faith, learning, and service. Our commitment to an accessible education is a remarkable legacy from our

founders who believed that education should be for all, no matter their circumstances, and that the quality of that education should be of the highest order because that is what God expects of those faithful servants who have been given the gift to teach. This is our distinctive gift for the world, an educational experience like no other available to those who might otherwise not have the opportunity. This is our distinctive gift for students from many different backgrounds and experiences. This is our distinctive gift to have a community in which access to education is celebrated and encouraged and, yes, even demanded. We dare not keep back any of the educational opportunity with which we have been entrusted because it is our distinctive gift from our ancestors and our gracious and loving God.

You will read in the following pages about current students and alumni who have been welcomed at Augsburg and offered a demanding and relevant education that serves them for a lifetime. In these stories I trust that you will find—as I have come to know in my experience here—that our saga, our DNA, our values, and character lead us to pursue ever more avidly a commitment to making an Augsburg experience available to all who will be formed by our college's rare and distinctive vision of education for lives of meaningful work and faithful service. It's a saga worth retelling and celebrating!

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Juventino Meza Rodriguez arrived in St. Paul from Mexico at age 15. Through determination, hard work, and a lot of support, he's one of the many students helped into college by Admission Possible.

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AUGGIES ARE ENGAGED

First-year day students began their semester with City Service Day, spending an afternoon working on projects in the neighborhoods around Augsburg.





around the QUAD

Augsburg keeps going green

Sustainability Awareness Month

September on campus not only included the beginning of fall classes, but a month-long series of events and activities designed to raise awareness and change habits related to sustainability.

Sustainability Awareness Month (SAM) was the brainchild of Augsburg students, several of whom participated in faculty-led study abroad programs, including Sustainable Cities in North America with Professors Lars Christiansen and Nancy Fischer in the summer of 2008.

After students in the course worked with A'viands to create a composting program in Augsburg's dining facilities last year, their next step toward a more environmentally friendly and sustainable campus was a month of events.

"We want this to bring the campus together," said senior Kjerstin Hagen, a leader on the project. "It takes all of us to make this happen."

Each week was centered around a different theme, with tabling, information, activities, and speakers, including nationally known author and activist, Bill McKibben. The themes for SAM were waste reduction and management, alternative transportation, alternative energy and consumption, and connecting communities through food.

Community Garden and Farmers Market

Augsburg's community garden increased this summer as an additional area was turned into garden plots. A total of 40 plots grew produce and flowers for the Augsburg community and neighborhood residents and organizations.

For those who didn't grow their own vegetables in the community garden, fresh produce was available each week on campus at the West Bank Farmers Market, a project of the Brian Coyle Center and Augsburg Campus Kitchen. Three farm families sold their locally-grown and eco-friendly vegetables and herbs during the summer and into the early cold fall at Brian Coyle Center in the morning and at Augsburg by Foss Center in the afternoon.

350 International Day of Climate Action

Augsburg students planned a full day on October 24 as part of the International Day of Climate Action, the project of Bill McKibben and 350.org. Activities around the world aimed to



Augsburg was the afternoon location of the West Bank Farmers Market each week, bringing fresh, locally-grown vegetables to the Augsburg community.



Peter Miller

Augsburg students joined 5,000 groups around the world that marked the International Day of Climate Action sponsored by 350.org. The number signifies the highest safe level of carbon emissions in parts per million.

bring about action to reduce atmospheric carbon emissions to 350 ppm, deemed the highest safe level by NASA scientists.

Auggie students led bikers to the State Capitol for a rally on the Capitol lawn, sponsored by the Will Steger Foundation, Oxfam, 1Sky, and Augsburg in support of global climate change action. Rep. Betty McCollum and Rep. Keith Ellison, among other legislators, told those gathered to "keep your voices loud."

The bikers arrived back on campus in time to join a crowd at half-time on the football field for a photo that was posted online at www.350.org. The halftime event was sponsored by Campus Ministry and Day Student Body Government.

Mayor meets with students

After returning from New Zealand last summer, Richmond Appleton '09 was so enthusiastic that he wrote a letter to Minneapolis mayor R.T. Rybak.

Appleton was in New Zealand for five weeks with 25 students led by biology professor Brian Corner and political science professor Joe Underhill to study Biodiversity and Environmental Politics. "Everyone is aware of the environment, of sustainability, of food production, and energy use. From the north island to the south island, everything is consistent."

Appleton, a senior environmental studies major, wanted to bring ideas from New Zealand back to Minneapolis. He contacted Rybak, a strong supporter of sustainability efforts, who welcomed such a meeting.

Kjerstin Hagen '10, an American Indian studies major who studied urban sustainability last summer in Portland, Ore., and Vancouver, B.C., joined Appleton at the meeting. She was one of the students involved in implementing Augsburg's composting program and planning Sustainability Awareness Month.

The students shared their travel experiences with Rybak and told him about ongoing sustainability efforts at Augsburg, many of which were initiated by students. "Augsburg is doing exactly what I believe in," Rybak said.

The three agreed that informing and educating the community is an important factor in promoting urban sustainability. Rybak encouraged Appleton and Hagen to sign up for one of the city's committees so that they could continue their work outside of Augsburg.



Ever Cat Fuels in Isanti, Minn., opened its plant to produce biodiesel from the Mcgyan process, which has student, faculty, and alumni roots at Augsburg.

Ever Cat Fuels opens in Isanti

What began as a student research project in a Science Hall laboratory made another step toward changing how fuel will be produced in the future when Ever Cat Fuels held a grand opening for its biodiesel plant in late September.

The plant, located about 40 miles north of campus in Isanti, Minn., is expected to produce about 3 million gallons of biodiesel per year when fully operational. It represents the first large-scale application of the Mcgyan process of making biodiesel.

The Mcgyan process came out of research by Augsburg undergraduate and Rhodes scholar Brian Krohn '08 and creates biodiesel from waste oils. The process doesn't require food stock to work and doesn't create any waste products.

The Mcgyan process—named for Ever Cat Fuels founder and Augsburg alumnus Clayton McNeff '91, Augsburg chemistry professor Arlin Gyberg, and Ever Cat scientist Ben Yan—has certainly attracted a lot of attention.

"When I see something like this, it's everything that we talk about in Washington," said U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar, who spoke at the grand opening.

McNeff said Ever Cat Fuels is already planning to expand its facility in Isanti. In addition, the company is licensing the Mcgyan process, and it is expected that other biodiesel facilities will be built across the country and the world.

McNeff also said that a donation to Augsburg's planned Center for Science, Business, and Religion will be made for each gallon of biodiesel sold.

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around the QUAD

Augsburg's first travel to Egypt

As a child, I spent most of my summers in Egypt. When I became director of the Pan-Afrikan Center, I proposed taking students to Egypt so they could study in a country with both a rich history and current events of interest. After a year-and-a-half of planning and collaborating with Professor Phil Adamo, who teaches ancient history at Augsburg, we arrived last May in Cairo with 22 students. We began our journey in Africa's largest city, a 1,000-year-old metropolis that is home to more than 20 million people. Beyond Cairo, our three-week excursion took us through Alexandria, Luxor, Aswan, and Hurghada.

Our two courses covered Ethnicity and Identity in Ancient and Modern Egypt, focusing on Egypt's ancient past and exploring its modern identity, including a discussion of religion. Although Egypt has an overwhelming Muslim majority there is also a significant Orthodox Christian community. As such, students visited some of the oldest Islamic mosques and Christian churches and monasteries in the world. One stop was Al-Azhar University and mosque, which is one of the oldest higher education institutions in the world. We later went to the Hanging Church, one of the sites said to have been visited by Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Outside of Cairo, we visited St. Makarios Monastery, another monastery on the Holy Family's travels through Egypt.

In discussing Egypt's place in the ancient world, we acknowledged that ancient Egyptian society is often over-romanticized, leading to a difficulty in reconciling the past with the current state of affairs. To give context and help students understand the many changes Egypt has undergone, we explored Egypt's relations with its neighbors, both past and present. Our first stop, Abu Simbel, is an ancient temple built by the Egyptians, in an area then known as Nubia, to show Egypt's dominance in the region. Although Nubia is no longer a separate kingdom, the Nubian people have a distinct

language and culture. After learning about the history of Nubia and its relationship to Egypt, the students spent the day with a Nubian community located in Aswan.

We later ventured to Hurghada, a city on the Red Sea located in the Eastern Desert. We drove over an hour to visit a Bedouin community with only 30 members. Due to the harsh nature of the desert, all of their water comes from a local well, and they raise the animals needed to survive. We shared a meal with this community, which allowed the students to experience the vast expanse and isolation of the desert. It was eye-opening to see what it takes to survive there.

Our trip to Egypt evoked a lot of thoughts and feelings within our students. They had to interact with people who speak different languages, practice different religions, and come from a very different worldview. We challenged stereotypes, explored history, and dug deep into what it means to be an American traveling overseas. We traveled through cities, resorts, mountains, and deserts on our quest to learn more about Egypt. It was a wonderful experience to take students to the place where my family originated, and I look forward to possibly going back.

MOHAMED SALLAM

Director of the Pan-Afrikan Center and instructor in the Departments of Sociology and History

Courtesy photo



Two new regents elected to board



The Augsburg Corporation, at its annual meeting in September, elected two new members to the Board of Regents and re-elected six others.

Elected to a four-year term on the Augsburg Board of Regents:

Ann Ashton-Piper (above left)

Ann Ashton-Piper is a graduate of the University of Minnesota and has worked extensively in the information technology field and is president of The Bridge Group, a small IT consulting firm. She is active in her church, Peace Lutheran Church in Bloomington, where she recently chaired the Call Committee. She and her husband, Ken, who is an architect, are also active in their community, supporting local nonprofit and charitable organizations such as Lake Country School, Groves Academy, and the Children's Theater Company. They have five children and live in Bloomington.

Lisa Novotny '80 (above right)

Lisa Novotny '80 is vice president, Human Resources at General Mills, and has responsibility for human resource strategy and leadership across the supply chain and technology organization. Prior to General Mills, she held similar positions for Dain Bosworth and First Bank System. Novotny received her Bachelor of Science degree in social work and Spanish from Augsburg College in 1980 and a Master of Arts in industrial relations from the University of Minnesota. She and her husband, Rev. Mark Flaten, are members of Edina Community Lutheran Church. They have two daughters; one of them is a current Augsburg sophomore.

Elected to a second, six-year term was:

- **Dan Anderson '65**, chairman, Swenson Anderson Financial Group

Elected to second, four-year terms were:

- **Norman Hagfors**, founder and president (retired), Norsen, Inc.
- **Jodi Harpstead**, chief operating officer, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota
- **Dean Kennedy '75**, president, TFI Securities
- **Marie McNeff**, academic dean (retired) and professor emerita of education, Augsburg College
- **Paul Mueller '84**, physician and chair of internal medicine, Mayo Clinic

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NEWSNOTES

NEW BLOOMINGTON CENTER—Augsburg students can now study toward an MBA or a Master of Arts in Leadership degree in Bloomington at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, conveniently located near I-494 and France Ave. For graduates of nearby Normandale Community College, a bachelor's degree completion program (AA to BA) in communication studies or business administration is planned at the new Bloomington Center.

NEW SOCIAL WORK/MBA DUAL DEGREE—A new MSW/MBA dual degree is specifically designed for MSW alumni who completed the Program Development, Policy, and Administration (PDPA) concentration; it will offer the knowledge, experience, and values necessary for success in both business and human services systems.

URBAN DEBATE LEAGUE AT AUGSBURG—Now part of Augsburg's Sabo Center for Citizenship and Learning, the Minnesota Urban Debate League (MNUDL) sponsors six high school programs and three junior high school debate programs in Minneapolis and St. Paul, serving several hundred students, teachers, and coaches. It is one of the college-readiness partnerships Augsburg supports to provide access to underserved and low-income high school students in the Twin Cities.

"LIVE LIFE AT THE STREET LEVEL"—Day student body president Sam Smith welcomed first-year students at the opening convocation with a message: "At Augsburg my life and my learning have been enriched by the constant reminder that the city and the community are the largest classrooms you can find. ... Where I currently live, on the 13th floor of Mortensen Hall, the view of downtown Minneapolis is both beautiful and intimidating. Up that high, it's impossible to make out faces or street signs. At street level, though, life in the Cedar-Riverside and Seward neighborhoods doesn't seem as complicated, foreign, or hectic as it appears from the bedroom. My hope [is that you] will eventually learn to live life in the city at street level."

AUGGIES on the field

Whitney Holman—all-around athlete and scholar

Whitney Holman was an outstanding student both in the classroom and on the athletic fields in multiple sports in high school. She had received notice from many schools, and Augsburg was just another school on the list.

But one afternoon, Holman and her parents were driving home to New Hope, Minn., after a tour of another college didn't go well. They happened to see Augsburg ahead on the freeway, and Holman remembered that she had received a letter from an Augsburg coach.

"We didn't have an appointment, but [the admissions staff] went out of their way to give me a personal tour. Everyone was so welcoming and willing to take time out of their busy schedules to help me out."

It ended up being a perfect fit—both for Holman and for Augsburg.

Holman has been an outstanding student-athlete in both women's soccer and women's track and field at Augsburg, earning all-conference honors in both sports. In soccer, Holman has earned all-conference honors each of the last two seasons. In track, she has

earned a reputation as one of the top sprinters in the conference.

And in the classroom, Holman has one of the top academic records of any Auggie student-athlete, with a 3.965 grade-point average with a double major in psychology and religion. She has earned Academic All-MIAC honors in soccer and track and received honors in soccer from both *ESPN The Magazine* and National Soccer Coaches Association of America. She is also active as a chapel steward for Augsburg's campus ministry.

Holman was a three-sport athlete at Robbinsdale Armstrong High School, participating in soccer, track, and Nordic skiing, while also being active in band and orchestra. She said that she knew she'd have to drop some of her activities in order to excel in college, but still wanted to be active in many things.

"It's a curiosity and openness, that curiosity to try everything, to develop that well-rounded personality, to say that you gave everything a shot," Holman said. "I don't want to say no to opportunities."

In soccer, Holman began her collegiate career as a forward, but was moved to defense—a position she had never played before—midway through her sophomore season. In her new position, she has excelled as part of an Auggie defense that has been among the stingiest in the MIAC over the past several seasons.

After graduating from Augsburg in 2010, Holman plans to go to graduate school to pursue a career as a pediatric speech and language pathologist. And she doesn't plan to stop her hectic life. She plans to continue to play soccer in adult leagues and would like to train to run a marathon, compete in Nordic ski races, and wants to learn to play golf.

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Campus Kitchen wins youth philanthropy award

Augsburg's Campus Kitchen program was honored by the Association of Fundraising Professionals with the Outstanding Youth Award for 2009 at National Philanthropy Day in Minneapolis in November. Augsburg students were recognized for the program they largely plan and run that serves more than 1,700 meals each month to low-income and homeless persons, and communities in need in the Cedar-Riverside and Phillips neighborhoods.

The student leadership team of 8-12 Augsburg student volunteers provides the essential component for the program—people power. Under direction of the staff coordinator and two student interns, the team coordinates other volunteers for three cooking shifts and six food deliveries each week. Meals are prepared, stored overnight, and delivered the following day. The students also give of their heart, providing conversation and offering companionship to the individuals they serve.

The Campus Kitchen at Augsburg College was established in October 2003 and is one of only 15 Campus Kitchen organizations around the country. The program brings together the college dining service, local community groups, and individuals to plan, prepare, deliver, and serve meals.

In the past two years, Campus Kitchen has expanded its activities:

- A'viands food service—From their arrival at Augsburg in June 2008, A'viands, a local food service provider, has embraced Campus Kitchen and provides access to food that would otherwise be thrown away. Donations also come from community food-banks and other institutions.
- Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)—Campus Kitchen is the site coordinator for all Augsburg CSA shares and receives six shares through Ploughshare Farm's Food for Folk Project.



The Campus Kitchen at Augsburg received the youth philanthropy award, recognizing the work of the students and volunteers who serve 1,700 meals per month in the neighborhoods around Augsburg.

- Community garden—Over three years, Augsburg's community garden has provided space for neighborhood residents, Augsburg employees, and community organizations to grow their own food.
- Summer Garden and Nutrition Education Project—Augsburg students teach neighborhood youth from the Brian Coyle Community Center and Somali Confederation about health, nutrition, gardening skills, and cooking nutritious meals.
- West Bank Farmers Market—In partnership with the Coyle Center, local farmers sell their produce once a week during the summer in the morning at Coyle Center and in the afternoon at Augsburg—and often donate unsold food to Campus Kitchen.
- Service-learning—Augsburg history students get hands-on learning about how resources are collected, distributed, and controlled in the "living text" of Augsburg's Campus Kitchen.

In its six years, Campus Kitchen has been the recipient of three awards recognizing the program's outstanding service and achievements: Student Organization of the Year, given by Augsburg College; Harry Chapin Self-Reliance Award, given by World Hunger Year in 2004; and the Great Idea Award, given by America's Promise. Read more about Campus Kitchen at www.augsburg.edu/campuskitchen.

BETSEY NORGARD





Advent Vespers keeps growing at 30 years

In 1980, Augsburg Choir director Larry Fleming's vision for the first Advent Vespers was unlike any other. Among many holiday performances, Augsburg's program would offer a spiritual experience—a service with both music and liturgy—and the focus would be on Advent, preparing and waiting for Christ's presence.

From this first service, Advent Vespers grew to four services. Last year, more than 10,000 people attended, making this Augsburg's largest event of the year.

This year, as Advent Vespers celebrates its 30th anniversary, a fifth service has been added, at 2 p.m. on Saturday, offering a daytime service to more easily accommodate larger groups of visitors.

Augsburg's partnership with Central Lutheran Church in downtown Minneapolis, with its majestic sanctuary and stained-glass windows, allows Advent Vespers to be unique.

"We can create the essence of a Christmas concert and transform it into not just a concert but a spiritual experience," says Peter Hendrickson '76, Advent Vespers artistic director and director of choral activities. "The liturgical elements transform the music to a deeper level."

Over the years the Advent Vespers services have stayed the same more than they have changed, says Pastor Dave Wold, campus pastor and director of ministries. "My fascination is with Advent Vespers as a service, and we work hard to keep it close to a theme and give a message of hope for the season."

While the liturgical party that carry bells, banners, the cross, and the Gospel has grown in numbers, and four choirs now feature more than 250 singers, the experience has remained constant. The liturgical journey begins in darkness with "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," moves to recognition and joyful celebration of Christ's birth, and ends with quiet reflection in the warm candlelight of "Silent Night."

Music professor and organist Stephen Gabrielsen '63, who has played for all but one Advent Vespers service when he was on sabbatical, recalls that the weather has also been constant—there has never been a service cancelled on this first weekend of December because of winter weather.

In 2004, to mark Advent Vespers' 25th anniversary, TPT-2 public television made a recording of the service, which continues to be shown each year on public television, and received a regional Emmy for its technical production. Recordings in both DVD and CD format are available through Augsburg's Music Department.

BETSEY NORGARD



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From tending flocks ... to tending phlox

At age 77, Herb Chilstrom '54 got an offer he couldn't refuse. The retired ELCA presiding bishop was invited to serve as interim director of the Linnaeus Arboretum at Gustavus Adolphus College while its director is overseas for a year. The transition from Chilstrom's 50-plus years as pastor and bishop to administrative gardener, he tells his friends, was easy: "I'm going from tending flocks to tending phlox."

Chilstrom gained an appreciation and love for gardening from his mother, a gardener ahead of her time who, along with her husband, put organically grown food on their table. He pursued that interest in retirement when he studied to become a master gardener.

"It turned out to be one of the most enjoyable educational experiences I've ever had," he says.

When the Chilstroms moved to a townhome in St. Peter, Minn., Herb volunteered his services to the arboretum. For seven years he nurtured flowerbeds back to blooming beauty and created a vegetable garden behind the restored settlers' cabin—which was a necessity for every settler, as well as his own family. During this time the arboretum began to restore more than 80 acres back to its native prairie.

Now as interim director, he has enjoyed launching "The Linnaeus Order of Nasturtiums," a cadre of volunteers who tend the arboretum's flora. Mostly retirees, the order has "taken off like gangbusters," Chilstrom says. Despite the initiation, that is, which requires each volunteer to eat a nasturtium blossom laced with cream cheese.

"People are almost begging to get into the order," says Chilstrom. He has recruited 20 volunteers in two months, and all have passed the initiation.

For Chilstrom, this second "calling" also has theological roots. He says that while Lutherans consider Christ's life, death, and resurrection in the Second Article of the Creed as the heart of Christian faith, "we may have emphasized it to the point where we don't appreciate as much as we should the First Article, about creation as the gift of God."

"Being involved in a place like the arboretum," Chilstrom continues, "gives me a chance to create some balance, to be committed to making this place as beautiful as it can be in a world that is quite broken, where we don't appreciate the gifts of nature, and where there's so much desecration of the environment."

It's also a chance for some historical reflection. Chilstrom recounts how so many settlers, including his great-grandparents, arrived in Minnesota penniless and began breaking up the prairie, with disregard for Native peoples and their land.

"Now when we recapture part of that into native prairie, we are helping people step back and think about what it was like for Native Americans to live here, how they survived in that setting, and the beauty of the prairie," he says.

In sum, Chilstrom says, "I feel that in my retirement I've been uniquely blessed to be located in a place like this where I can think about some of these good things that are important to us."

BETSEY NORGARD





HOMECOMING 2009

September 28–October 4

Despite the rains and chilly weather, spirits were high at the 2009 Auggie Adventure, as hundreds of alumni, students, faculty/staff, and friends celebrated Homecoming. Queen Jamie Krumenauer and King Kevin Khottavongsa presided at the football game half-time festivities and cheered the Auggies despite their loss to Hamline, 38–28. Alums sampled classes from Augsburg professors, met fellow alumni authors, enjoyed their reunions, and ended the weekend with a bang at the fireworks display.





2009 Auggie Adventure

ALUMNI AWARDS

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI



Tove Dahl '84 and Curt Rice '84

Tove Dahl—Associate Professor,
Psychology, University of Tromsø, Norway
Curt Rice—Director, Center for Advanced
Study in Theoretical Linguistics, University
of Tromsø, Norway



Phebe Hanson '50

Poet, teacher, founding member of
The Loft Literary Center



Joyce (Anderson) Pfaff '65

Professor Emerita of Health and
Physical Education, Augsburg College



Richard Thorud '56

Retired engineer, Toro Company

FIRST DECADE AWARD



Brenda Talarico, '99 PA

Assistant Professor, Physician
Assistant Program, Augsburg College

SPIRIT OF AUGSBURG AWARD



James E. Haglund, Augsburg Regent Emeritus and Parent

President and Owner, Central
Container Corporation; Co-owner of
Spectrum Screen Printing

2009 ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Bob Arvold '82, Wrestling

Joel Engel '87, Men's Basketball

Matt Farley '88, Baseball

Dallas Miller '88, Men's Hockey

Ruth Olson '60, Women's Basketball

Sonja Slack Payne '91, Softball, Tennis

Drew Privette '89, Football, Men's Hockey

Daniel Roff '82, Football

Stefanie Lodermeier Strusz '98, Women's Basketball



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111 ENGLISH

THE DESTINATION IS THE SAME: EARNING A COLLEGE DEGREE. BUT THE PATHS TO THAT CAN BE AS DIFFERENT AS DAY AND WEEKEND/EVENING.

For many, Augsburg College is a traditional liberal arts college with 18- to 22-year-olds living on or near campus. It's the place where they went just a few months after graduating from high school and spent the next four years.

There is another side to Augsburg as well. It's one where classes are held on Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and some evenings. In this evening and weekend program, students are older, they are more likely to have a full-time job, and they often juggle more family responsibilities than traditional day students. They study in both Rochester and Minneapolis, at four locations.

While the two groups are demographically different, the education they receive is as close to the same as possible. For example, business majors in the day program take the same courses as business majors in the evening and weekend program at all locations. Where the education differs has more to do with the life experiences students bring to the classroom.

As one way to see this, we talked to students and faculty members in a day and weekend section of English 111. This class, Effective Writing, is one that nearly every Augsburg student takes. As seen in their favorite books and authors, the younger day students tend toward escape fantasy and horror fiction, exploring the dark and the macabre. The older weekend/evening students show more interest in philosophy, psychology, and spirituality—perhaps seeking more understanding, meaning, and comfort in their lives. Enjoy “meeting” these Augsburg students.

COMPILED BY WENDI WHEELER

Rachel Rixen '13

French, music minor

Age: 18

Hometown: Cottage Grove, Minn.

Job: In the summer, I co-run a class for children ages 3 through 5 called "Tot Time" through the city of Cottage Grove.

Favorite books/authors: My favorite book is *The Painted Veil* by W. Somerset Maugham. I love his style of writing and the message that the novel conveys about forgiveness.

Michael Anderson '12

History

Age: 19

Hometown: Minneapolis

Job: I work at Gardner Hardware

Favorite books/authors: My favorite authors are Howard Zinn and Neil Gaiman. Zinn's historical analysis and Gaiman's work on *Good Omens* and *American Gods* were phenomenal.

Olivia Smith '13

Special education

Age: 18

Hometown: Maple Grove, Minn.

Job: I'm not working, but would like a job to help those less fortunate

Favorite books/authors: J.K. Rowling and J.R.R. Tolkien. I love the books they write, and how people can connect and talk about their love for their books.

Nicholas Petersen '12

Social work

Age: 19

Hometown: Plymouth, Minn.

Job: Rainbow Foods (assistant pricing)

Favorite books/authors: *Haunted! A Novel of Stories*, by Chuck Palahniuk. I love the way he tells his stories. His characters are twisted and complex—something you don't get from many books. Truly a brilliant writer.

Zachary Schuyler '12

Undeclared but strongly interested in business

Age: 20

Hometown: St. Paul

Job: I do not work, but I give plasma and I am looking for a workstudy job or possibly a job at Mall of America.

Favorite books/authors: I don't have a favorite book, but I like short stories, and my favorite author is Edgar Allan Poe from the past and Stephen King of the present.

Charlotte Deegan '13

Elementary education

Age: 19

Hometown: St. Paul

Job: I work at an after-school day care program. In the future I would like to be a kindergarten teacher.

Favorite books/authors: I love the *Twilight* books and the *Gossip Girl* books as well.

Professor Mzenga Wanyama

(in center of photo on page 16)

Birthplace: Misiskhu, Kenya

Favorite authors: Russians Fyodor Dostoyevsky and Leo Tolstoy, who write fiction that draws from history and is deeply philosophical and humanistic.

Enjoy about teaching: The students. When they're happy, they make teaching such a fun experience.

FALL
2009
by the numbers

DAY UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

Total students enrolled: 2,013

Average age: 21

Male/female ratio: 50/50

Students of color (total): 25%

Students of color (first-year class): 42%

EVENING/WEEKEND UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM (Minneapolis Campus)

Total students enrolled: 809

Average age: 35

Male/female ratio: 37/63

Students of color: 15%



Lea Davenport '13

Education

Age: 38

Hometown: Princeton, Minn.

Job: Teacher—of what sort, I am not sure yet.

Favorite books/authors: I read mostly suspense novels with a little romance. I love to read books by many different authors (there are so many out there), but one of my all-time faves is Iris Johansen. Her characters are really well written and there are times I don't figure out who dunnit until the end!

Philip Sturm '13

Religion/philosophy

Age: 29

Hometown: Memphis, Tenn.

Job: Corporate security/executive protection

Favorite books/authors: Maurice Merleau-Ponty, Edmund Husserl, Descartes—because they return philosophy to the immediate phenomenological intimacy of living in our world and address the existential subjectivity of personal being, thus avoiding the objectification of our lives into meaningless abstraction. Other than that, *Catch-22* and other post-War fiction addressing the extremes of our actions and their dubious justifications.

Mandi Rae '13

Communication studies

Age: 28

Hometown: Andover, Minn.

Job: Project manager at Aveda

Favorite books/authors: *The Shack* is my favorite recent read. After the death of my 14-year-old cousin, it was a comforting and controversial look at God and heaven. It was an interesting perspective that gave me somewhat of a sense of peace.

Brett Johnson '13

International business/computer science

Age: 37

Hometown: Minneapolis

Job: Implementation consultant. I hope my degree adds an "international" to the beginning of that job title.

Favorite books/authors: *The Four Agreements* series by Don Miguel Ruiz. *A New Earth* by Eckhart Tolle. They help me to stay in the here and now and focus on what's relevant.

Brianna Diaz '13

Finance

Age: 26

Hometown: Minneapolis

Job: Operations assistant/property management business systems administrator (say that three times fast!) for NorthMarq Real Estate Services

Favorite books/authors: My favorite book is *War Child* by Emmanuel Jal. It is a story of a young boy soldier in the civil war in Sudan who survived tragedy and the loss of his family to become a popular musician supporting the GUA Africa Foundation. Very powerful!

Joseph Anomalay '13 or '14

Marketing/international business

Age: 30

Hometown: Minneapolis

Job: Cabinetmaker

Favorite books/authors: *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley and *Midworld* by Alan Dean Foster. I like them both for the perspectives they give on people and the world around them. Every time I pick them up I glean something different out of them.

Professor Cary Waterman (not pictured)

Birthplace: Bridgeport, Conn.

Your best writing: I've published three books of poems.... It's difficult to say which book or poem is "best." I like and appreciate all of them.

Enjoy about teaching: I value the things I learn from my students. And I value what I am able to teach them. The classroom is a place for the exchange of ideas, for the work of the imagination, and for the appreciation and discussion of complex issues. I am very grateful for the opportunity to participate in this essential activity.



VELKOMMEN JUL'S **sweet traditions**

Velkommen Jul is one of Augsburg's most popular traditions, a Scandinavian welcome to the holiday season. Augsburg alumni and friends look forward each year to the splendid banquet of sweets and treats provided by the Augsburg Associates.

Enjoy these cookie recipes that come from the hands and hearts of the Associates. Some recipes date back generations to family members who attended Augsburg Seminary in the late 1800s.

**JOIN US AT VELKOMMEN JUL ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4,
BEGINNING WITH CHAPEL AT 10:15 A.M.**



COMPILED BY BETSEY NORGARD





◀ Grandma Rand's Krumkake

1 pt. whipping cream
1 c. sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
2 c. flour
Pinch of salt
1 c. milk

Whip cream until stiff. Add sugar gradually. Mix vanilla and add flour and salt, which have been sifted together. Add milk slowly, beating constantly. Bake in krumkake iron, a teaspoonful at a time (no more). Remove from iron and roll immediately. Makes about 10 dozen.



Berliner Kranse ▶

2 hard cooked egg yolks
1/2 c. sugar
2 raw egg yolks
1 c. butter
2-1/2 c. flour (use less)
salt
vanilla

Mash cooked egg yolks with fork. Add sugar and work into a wet and pasty mixture. Add raw egg yolks and mix well. Add butter and mix. Add flour, salt, and vanilla. Take dough about the size of a walnut and roll into pencil shape about seven inches long. Form a ring, overlap ends (like a pretzel). Dip in raw egg white, then into crushed loaf sugar. Bake at 325 degrees until light brown.

Fattigmann

6 egg yolks, 3 egg whites
6 Tbl. sugar
6 Tbl. cream
2 Tbl. melted butter
6 cardamom seeds
flour
fat for frying

Beat egg yolks and whites together until thick and lemon colored. Add sugar and continue beating; add cream and beat again; blend in butter. Crush cardamom seeds to powder and add with enough flour to make a dough firm enough to roll. Roll thin as paper, cut into diamond shapes about 5 x 2-1/2 inches. Deep-fry in hot fat 2-3 minutes or until golden brown. Drain on absorbent paper and sprinkle with powdered sugar.



Mom's Rosettes

- 2 eggs
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 2 Tbl. sugar
- 3/4 c. milk (can use whole or skim)
- 1/4 c. water
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1 c. flour
- canola or vegetable oil for deep frying

Heat oil in a deepfryer to 375 degrees. (Be sure to have a thermometer in the oil as you fry the rosettes and maintain an average of 375.) Put the rosette iron in the oil as it heats—a hot iron and oil temperature are most important for crisp rosettes.

Batter: In a deep bowl, lightly whip the eggs, salt, and sugar with a fork, just to mix. Don't overbeat it. Combine the milk, water, and vanilla. Alternately add 1/3 of the liquid and 1/3 of the flour to the egg mixture and repeat until all are mixed. If the batter isn't smooth, put through a sieve to remove the lumps.

Lay out paper toweling on cookie sheets to cool the rosettes after frying. Have a bowl of sugar for dipping the hot rosette into after it comes off the iron. A couple of forks will be useful to remove the rosette from the iron.

With hot oil and hot iron at 375 degrees, and absorbent cloth or several paper towels ready, quickly remove the rosette iron from the oil, quickly shake off any excess oil over the deepfryer, dab the iron on the paper towel, and quickly immerse the iron into the rosette batter—not going over the top edge of the rosette iron—and quickly return the iron to the deepfryer. After about 15-20 seconds in the oil for a light brown color, gently remove the rosette from the iron using a fork. Be sure to keep the iron in the oil heating as the rosette continues to brown; turn it with the forks to get uniform browning; and remove from the oil with the forks and place on paper toweling with the hollow side down to drain off any excess oil. While warm, dip in sugar. Cool completely and store in large cookie tin in a cool place. Makes approximately 36 rosettes.



Jule Spritz

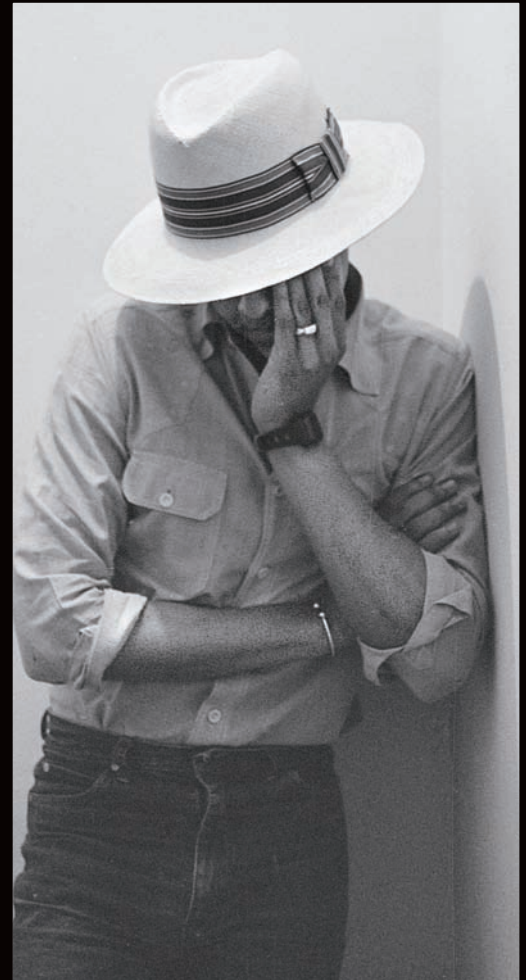
- 1 c. butter
- 1 tsp. almond extract
- 2-1/2 c. flour
- 4 small egg yolks (or 3 large)
- 2/3 c. sugar
- 1/4 tsp. salt

Cream sugar and butter, add almond extract and egg yolks and beat well. Add flour and salt. Put cookie dough in cookie press and press out cookies on cookie sheet. Decorate with red and green sugar. Bake about 12 minutes at 400 degrees.



finding perspective

BY JEFF SHELMAN



In 1980, Lisa Jack was a student at Occidental College in Los Angeles with an interest in photography. During her time there, she photographed a number of her classmates. One of those students was now-President Barack Obama. The photo negatives of a young Obama were packed in a box at some point in the 1980s and somehow survived seven moves and years in a basement.

After Obama was elected president, Jack contacted editors at *Time* magazine to see if they had any interest in publishing photos from Obama's past. The magazine jumped at the chance and used several of Jack's photos in its Person of the Year issue. The photos have since been seen in other publications and were on display this summer at a Los Angeles-area art gallery.

The above photos are courtesy of Lisalack/Getty/ContourImages.

Lisa Jack

It was a summer of mood swings and wide-ranging emotions.

In May, Lisa Jack found herself on the cover of the *Los Angeles Times*' Calendar section. The Augsburg psychology professor had a camera around her neck as she sat cross-legged and dressed in black in the California sun. Her 1980 photographs of now-President Barack Obama—which were originally published in *Time* magazine—were about to go on display at a hip West Hollywood art gallery.

She had become the photographer she wanted to be at the time she took those photos when they were both undergraduates at Occidental College. There was now enough buzz about her work for singer-songwriter Seal to check out the photos. Her photographs captured what she has described as Obama's youth and playfulness. And she knew she wanted to continue telling stories through pictures.

That's why Jack began taking photographs again for the first time in many years.

New camera in tow, she spent part of her summer in North Dakota shooting photos of professional rodeo cowboys and the livestock they ride. She began conversations about some photography projects. She was excited about rediscovering what she had once thought would be a career.

"Once I purchased the camera, I went to practice at the [University of Minnesota's] Raptor Center," Jack said. "When I put everything in my computer, I said, 'Oh my God.' I didn't lose any vision."

All was great, right?

Not so fast. Because that part of the summer seems so long ago.

While the 36 photos of Obama are now on display at Occidental, and there is talk of a Paris showing of the photos that until two years ago were housed in a basement box, Jack is far less interested than she was even this summer.

That's because real life suddenly reappeared.

On July 25, doctors told Jack's mother that she has ovarian cancer. In examining her family history, Jack and her sister were then told that they are genetically predisposed for the disease. And because there isn't a way to screen for ovarian cancer, the only way for Jack to protect herself would be to have surgery herself.

"It's an ugly, horrible, heinous disease," Jack said. "They call it the silent killer. I've done a U-turn into a cancer activist. But maybe it was the point in finding those photos, to have some sort of platform."

With Jack needing to help provide care for her mother in New York and planning for a significant medical procedure of her own, Jack was forced to adjust her teaching load at the last minute. Jack was not able to teach an AugSem first-year seminar and is limited to one psychology internship course for upperclass students.

"I was adamant that I teach this semester," she said. "I have to have a life. I can't be all cancer all the time. And I love to teach. I have a class of seniors and I know them all. It'll be fun."

Because while Jack's love of photography was rekindled when she unearthed the nearly 30-year-old photos of Obama, she still wants to teach. With an extremely outgoing personality and non-stop energy, Jack loves the classroom setting.

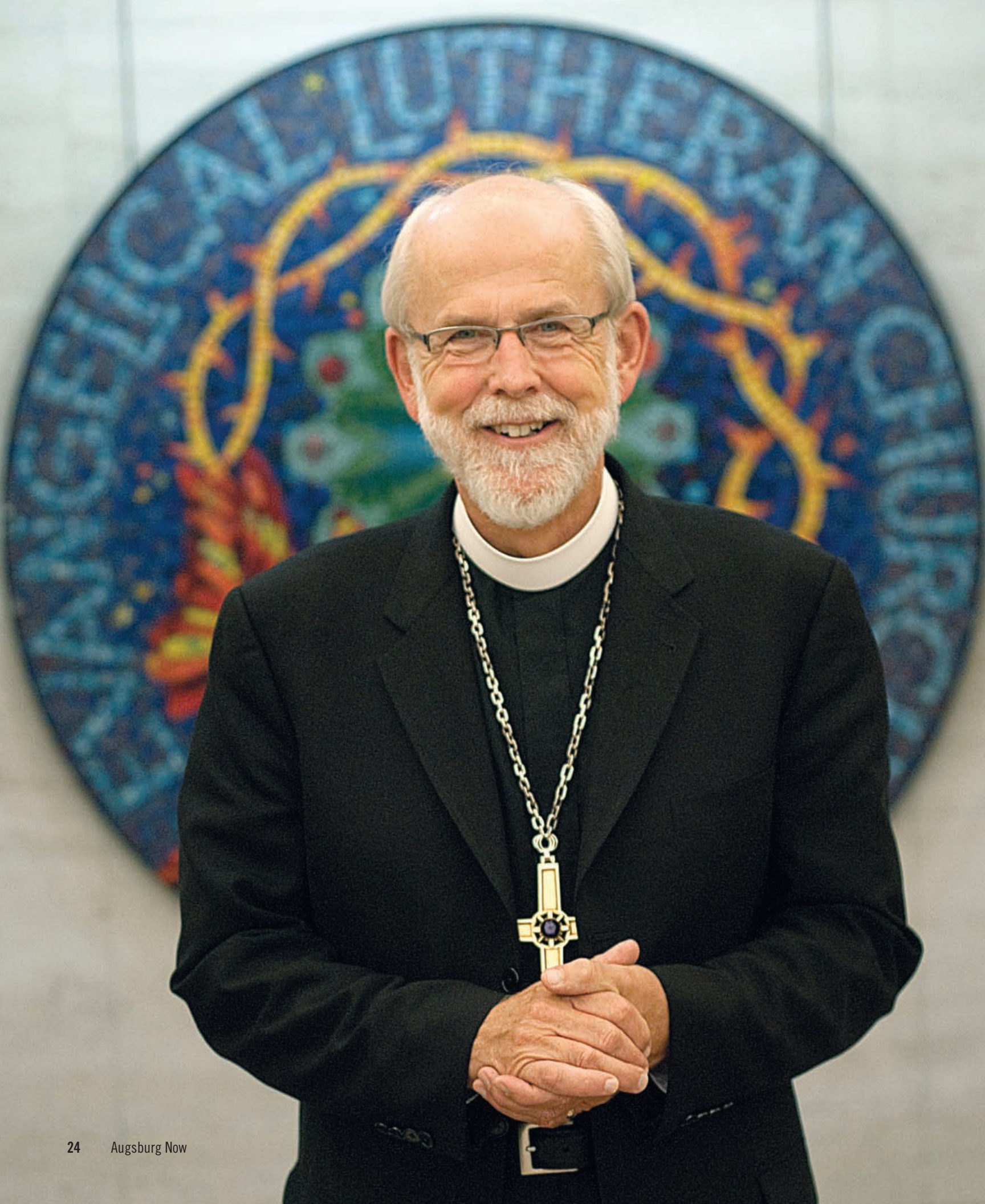
"The majority of students, they enjoy being engaged and challenged," Jack said. "I love challenging them and to be challenged."

While Jack's photos have been seen across the globe and she has been interviewed by outlets ranging from *The New York Times* to the television show *Extra*, Jack has never heard a word from Obama or anyone at the White House.

Jack, who has had two chance meetings with Obama in recent years, is all right with that. She understands the job he has to do and that the photos are from a long time ago. And she also has some new-found perspective.



The events of last summer took psychology professor Lisa Jack on an emotional journey.



Mark Hanson calls it a “kicking and screaming” calling. The son of a parish pastor, Hanson had no interest in following his father into ministry.

Sure, Hanson went to Union Theological Seminary after graduating in 1968 from Augsburg with his wife, Ione (Agrimson) '68, but that was only because he received a scholarship to try it for a year. Even when he finished up at Union, Hanson went as far as to stand in line to register to begin graduate school classes in psychology before he realized that wasn't what he wanted to do with his life.

“I ended up going to therapy for six months to figure out what was going on in my life,” Hanson says. “And it was only after six months of therapy that I realized I was fighting, for all the wrong reasons, the call to ministry.”

Now, nearly 40 years later, Hanson finds himself as the presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America at one of the most challenging times since the Lutheran Church in America, the American Lutheran Church, and the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches merged to form the ELCA in the late 1980s.

The nation's financial instability has led to a downturn in contributions to the church. The nation's changing demographics have left the ELCA as a graying

Even through difficult times, ELCA presiding bishop Mark Hanson '68 finds great joy in his calling and seeks to stay focused on God's work in the world.

organization with its strength in parts of the nation that aren't growing. And, in the wake of votes taken at August's Churchwide Assembly on topics of human sexuality and homosexual clergy in committed relationships, there are many individuals and congregations pondering whether the ELCA is the place for them.

And despite the current challenges facing the ELCA, Hanson loves his job.

“I find great joy in what I do,”

Hanson says, while sitting in his 11th-floor office that overlooks Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. “I use joy very intentionally. Joy, for me, has its source in my faith. I literally find great joy in this call. I told a group of pastors that I have the best call in the church and what was fun was that a bunch of them lined up to argue with me about why theirs is better. I liked that.”

But Hanson acknowledges that these times are challenging. And that's why Hanson has spent—and will be spending—a significant amount of time engaging in conversation, even if the actions at the Minneapolis Convention Center make things a little awkward and uncomfortable.

“I think that in anxious times that have dimensions of conflict in them, the temptation is to go into enclaves of like-minded people to both reinforce the convictions one holds with those like-minded people, and often to articulate that those whom you are not in agreement with are so wrong,” Hanson says. “I have worked to be very connected relationally.

“In a culture that is so polarized, especially around issues of personal morality, and tends to be increasingly fractious, contentious, and too often mean-spirited, can we exemplify in our witness another way to live—together and honoring our differences, but in the context of our unity?”

Jim Arends, a 1974 Augsburg graduate and current bishop of the LaCrosse [Wisc.] Area Synod, says one of Hanson's biggest strengths as presiding bishop is his ability to communicate in general and to listen in particular.

“It is going to help, it can't but help,” Arends says. “He respects you. I don't think I've ever seen anything even close to disrespectful. With his authority and height, he's still able to make people be comfortable and relax around him. That's tough with the height of his collar and the big cross he needs to wear.”

How does he do it? Hanson says some of it is because of what he learned at Augsburg. Because while there are challenges within the church, there are far

Discovering **JOY** in the challenges of leadership

BY JEFF SHELMAN



more significant issues—poverty, disease in third-world countries, and health concerns among them—that the ELCA is trying to tackle.

“The call for us as Christians is not to be turned inward in conflict with each other and miss this moment to be engaged in God’s work in the world; Augsburg gave me that perspective,” he says. “Augsburg always reminded me that whatever is going on with you, within your family, within the church, there is a world that calls you.”

That was true in the mid-to-late 1960s when Hanson studied sociology, and it is true now as Hanson also watches Augsburg as a parent. Four of his six children have or currently are attending Augsburg. His daughter Alyssa, an alumna of the College, is also teaching math in the Weekend College program.

“When Lone and I were at Augsburg, we were invited, encouraged, challenged to immerse ourselves in the city, Cedar-Riverside, North Minneapolis, and that has not stopped,” he says. “Our daughter who is a senior there now has been to Central America twice. The immersion and context have grown from the immediate Cedar-Riverside neighborhood to now the world.

“I’m all over the world looking at

schools of higher education. We have great colleges and universities in the church, but I think Augsburg has really positioned itself where I would want to see a college of this church to be.”

And as Hanson progressed from parish pastor to bishop of the Saint Paul Area Synod to, now, presiding bishop, Hanson sees a thread that goes back to Augsburg.

“My whole life has been shaped by the intersection of intellectual curiosity, faith, and how faith and intellect shape one for a life in leadership,” Hanson says. “The phrase I use for what I got from Augsburg and Union is an unquenchable curiosity of faith and life. I’ve never stopped being curious. I think Augsburg fostered that. I’m going to be free to ask questions and to serve my neighbor, particularly the one who is struggling with issues of justice and poverty.”

And Hanson has plenty of opportunities to be curious as presiding bishop. While he and Lone have traded the area around Lake Harriet for Chicago’s Edgebrook neighborhood, he’s rarely there. It’s tough to be at home when you travel

for work about 80% of the time.

“There are some days when I’ve gone to the airport where I’ve given the United desk my driver’s license and said, ‘I forgot to look, where am I going again?’” Hanson says with a laugh. “That’s pretty bad. I’m prepared for where I’m going, but there’s a lot of travel.”

That travel, in the upcoming months, will have a lot to do with continuing communications, building relationships, and leading a church that has members asking serious questions about the future. While the conversations and e-mails aren’t always positive from individuals concerned about the ELCA’s actions, Hanson remains upbeat.

“I am proud to serve in leadership right now,” he says. “I lead 70 million Lutherans in the world and lead the largest Lutheran Church in the United States; that’s just an amazing thing that I am called into that sort of leadership. If the criticism begins to take a personal toll, then I can no longer be an effective leader. I think that the gospel is too good news for me to get so discouraged that I can’t, with great passion, proclaim the good news of Jesus.”

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MAKING AUGSBURG POSSIBLE

BY WENDI WHEELER '06



With more than 4,000 students in its undergraduate and graduate programs, Augsburg College strives to create an intentionally diverse and vibrant community by welcoming students of varied backgrounds and experiences.

For many of the students who come to Augsburg, being an Auggie is a dream come true because at one time in their lives, the idea of going to college was nearly impossible to imagine.

That's where Admission Possible comes in. This program, which was founded in Minnesota in 1999 to help low-income high school students get into college, has brought more than 100 students to Augsburg since its founding. This fall, 63 Admission Possible alumni joined the Augsburg community as first-year students—more than any other private college in the country.

Admission Possible made Augsburg possible for these students. Not only has this program enriched the lives of students and their families, it has also benefited the Augsburg community.

Finding Admission Possible

Juventino “Juve” Meza Rodriguez ’11 came to the U.S. from Mexico when he was 15 years old. Unlike his parents or siblings, Meza Rodriguez had been fortunate to attend school beyond the sixth grade and, though he did not speak English, he was excited about continuing his education in a Minnesota high school.

“I come from a low-income working family; my parents and their parents didn’t go to school. My mom made a big push for education for her children because she wanted us to do something she wasn’t able to do,” he says.

Meza Rodriguez tested into the ninth grade and began classes at Arlington High School in St. Paul. In his neighborhood and in his family, no one had gone to college. “As kids we always said we want to be this or that,” he says, “but realistically I wasn’t thinking that college would be a possibility for me. And my parents of course didn’t think it was an option either.”

In his sophomore year, he dropped out of school, following his friends who had started working and were making money. “I was out of school for one week, and I did not enjoy life,” he says. He asked his parents to help him get back into school, and after that week he appreciated his education more than he had before. “I knew I wanted something more, but I wasn’t sure what that was and I didn’t have people around me who had done it either.”

With a renewed enthusiasm for high school, Meza Rodriguez asked a guidance counselor about college. “She told me I couldn’t go,” he says, but she eventually found a program for him and suggested he apply. That program was Admission Possible.

From the moment he was accepted into the program, Meza Rodriguez was on his way to college, but he was in unfamiliar

“Juve” Meza-Rodriguez ’11 found the support he needed for his dream of college through Admission Possible.





Carrie Carroll, assistant vice president of admissions, welcomes the students who come to Augsburg through programs like Admission Possible.

territory. “When I told my parents that I wanted to go to college, they asked how I was going to do it. I said, ‘I have no idea.’”

Because his parents were unable to support him financially and because they had no experience with higher education, Meza Rodriguez says they left many of the decisions about school up to him. “They would always say, ‘Tu sabes lo que haces,’ (You know what you’re doing). But I didn’t know what I was doing.”

Getting to Augsburg

His Admission Possible coach did know what to do to navigate the complicated and sometimes intimidating landscape of college application. Twice weekly in his junior and senior years, Meza Rodriguez met with his coach and other students. He prepared for the ACT and learned how to select a college that matched his interests, complete the admissions applications, and apply for financial aid including scholarships.

Admission Possible also encouraged Meza Rodriguez to make connections at schools by going on campus visits and attending education fairs. At one such fair for Latino students, he met Carrie Carroll, Augsburg’s assistant vice president of admissions.

“When I got to Carrie’s booth, I told her I had heard about Augsburg and she started asking me questions. We talked for two hours,” he recalls. “She was very welcoming and showed an interest in me that other schools didn’t bother to show.” After their meeting, Carroll e-mailed Meza Rodriguez and encouraged him to apply to Augsburg.

“I applied, and Carrie called my AP coach within six days and said I had been admitted. I was the first student in my AP class to apply and the first to get accepted.”

Carroll says Admission Possible students are attracted to Augsburg because of the financial aid that helps make college possible for more than 90% of traditional day college students. Two programs—Augsburg College Access Program (ACAP) and the Augsburg Promise—are aimed at assisting first-generation and low-income students.

ACAP provides a four-year grant for students who have participated in a college readiness program. The grant covers the cost of tuition not met with federal or state grants for students who are Minnesota residents, have an ACT score of 20 or better, and have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25.

More importantly, Carroll says students come because Augsburg has made an institutional commitment to providing access for many different types of students, to creating an intentionally diverse campus, and to engaging students in service to the community. All of these commitments connect closely to Admission Possible values.

“At Augsburg, we are aware of the obstacles some students have faced and will continue to face. We value our students.” As in

Meza Rodriguez's case, Carroll says often a student will make the choice to come to Augsburg, even though they have been accepted elsewhere, simply because the Augsburg staff takes the time to get to know them personally.

Beyond admission

Once students are accepted and begin their college studies, they still encounter many challenges that can make staying in school difficult.

In the past, a team of Admission Possible staffers did some tracking and outreach to their alumni after they had started college. Most of their assistance had been reactionary, however, and they were often brought in when a student was in the midst of a crisis.

This year, Admission Possible has developed a structured college program with coaches who work one-on-one with students on their individual campuses.

Ben Pierson is the college coach at Augsburg this year. Having an office on campus is important because for Admission Possible alumni, "AP" means "help." Students know they will find a caring adult in Pierson as well as a reliable source of information and support.

Pierson works with Augsburg's director of retention, the Enrollment and Financial Services staff, admission counselors, and with the other student support programs. His objective is to maintain contact with students and help them find the resources they need before they want or need to drop out.

Making dreams possible

College readiness programs like Admission Possible are just one of the many ways students find Augsburg and realize their dreams. But this program benefits more than the students who enroll and graduate.

Meza Rodriguez and the other Admission Possible alumni featured here set examples for their peers, siblings, and their communities. Their experiences demonstrate that a college education is

accessible to anyone, regardless of his or her background or circumstances.

Meza Rodriguez says that Admission Possible has also changed campus atmospheres by introducing students who might not have considered college in the past. "AP helps colleges get out of their comfort zone," he says, "by welcoming more and more diversity onto their campuses." It has also helped colleges and universities address much of the stigma that is attached to low-income students, challenging the notion that they are low-achieving or unprepared. In fact, while the fall 2009 first-year class includes 40% students of color, the average ACT score and class rank have remained consistent among Augsburg's incoming classes over the past four years.

Carroll agrees, adding that Admission Possible students are prepared for success and dedicated to making the most of their college experience. "These are smart, capable students who work very hard to succeed. They just need to be taught how to do this."

Meza Rodriguez is just one example of the motivated and talented students who find a fit at Augsburg through college readiness programs. He received a President's Scholarship, which recognizes academic achievement and leadership potential, and he is an Honors program student. In his three years at the College, he has also been a senator in student government, helped found a Latino student organization, and conducted summer research with President Pribbenow as his mentor and adviser.

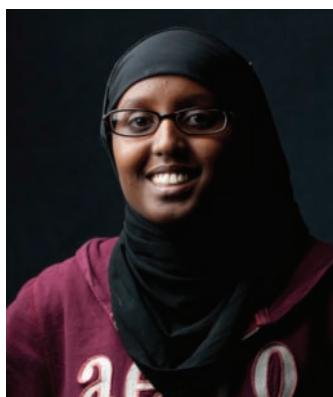
This fall Meza Rodriguez is studying poverty, inequality, and social change in the Metro Urban Studies Term (MUST) through HECUA, the Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs, and is doing an internship with the Citizens League in St. Paul. He has also organized a group at Augsburg to help connect the more than 100 Admission Possible alumni who are now enrolled at the College.

When he participates in Commencement, Meza Rodriguez knows he will be an inspiration not only to members of his community but also to his younger siblings, ages 4 and 8, whom he hopes will one day follow in his footsteps. "My siblings can see that college is possible. So many people around me can now see that it is possible."

Learn about Admission Possible at www.admissionpossible.org.



Read more about the other Augsburg Admission Possible students pictured here at www.augsburg.edu/now



Lucky Dirie '13



Houa Lor '13



Farrington Starnes '12



AUGSBURG COLLEGE
ANNUAL REPORT TO DONORS
2008-2009



DEAR FRIENDS,

As I write to report to you on the successful completion to a most extraordinary year of economic challenges, I remain filled with gratitude for your steadfast support to Augsburg College.

While each week last fall brought more bitter news than the previous regarding our financial institutions, we maintained a watchful and cautious eye over our students, our revenues, and our gifts. I was so pleased and humbled that through these difficult months our enrollments remained high, our programs strong, and your giving constant.

During this difficult year, your gifts made an Augsburg education possible for many students who would not have otherwise been able to continue their studies. At Augsburg, we are committed to providing the access for these students of differing faiths, cultures, and ethnicities to thrive and to become the next leaders in creating safe and sustainable communities.

Together, we continue to learn how “We are called to serve our neighbor.”

During this past year, as a teaching and learning community, we also explored in many ways what it means to live more sustainably in the city. I was so proud of our students, who pushed the College for changes that made us better stewards of our gifts and of God’s creation. Augsburg is now a leader among educational institutions in the use of renewable energy, in support of alternative transportation practices, and in the adoption of a food composting program.

As we move forward, I ask for your abiding and increased participation and support in the next years as we continue to work together for a stronger and more vibrant future for our college, and for our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul C. Pribbenow".

PAUL C. PRIBBENOW
PRESIDENT

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Your annual fund gift helps to...

- 1 ... retain talented faculty, like chemistry professor Vivien Feng, and maintain Augsburg's low 14:1 student/faculty ratio.
- 2 ... make it possible for curious and talented students to stay on campus during the summer to engage in full-time research with a faculty mentor.
- 3 ... provide up-to-date computers and technology services critical to teaching and learning.
- 4 ... keep Augsburg affordable by providing a portion of the academic scholarships and financial aid received by 90% of day students.
- 5 ... fund student programs and co-curricular activities, like campus ministry, athletics, internships, and ethnic student services.
- 6 ... provide the special equipment, safety equipment, and supplies for our science laboratories.

GIVING IN ACTION — What Students and Alumni Say



Ali Rapp '11

Honors student, “Homemade” blogger

In Augsburg's unique Honors program, Ali and her fellow students participate in deep discussions about controversial questions. “There’s a degree of openness in Honors that you don’t find in other classes,” she says. Another way Ali expresses herself is through her blog on Homemade, the site that gives current and future Auggies a sense of what life is really like for students at Augsburg. “We really get to the heart of issues, and I’m glad we have that kind of freedom to be ourselves and to be genuine.”

Your giving supports personal growth in Augsburg’s Honors program



Nate Johnson '11

Rossing Physics Scholar, StepUP program

Junior Nate Johnson has an interest in how things work and was drawn to the problem-solving part of physics. This year he was named one of four Rossing Physics Scholars in the nation by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Johnson grew up in St. Croix Falls before entering substance abuse treatment in high school. At Augsburg, Johnson is in the StepUP program, a program that is much of the reason why he chose the College and where he finds community, support, faith, and discipline. “When I was looking at colleges, every time I went to Augsburg, I felt excited about it,” Johnson says, “... other college settings felt daunting.”

Your giving supports paths to healthy lives in Augsburg’s StepUP program



Sama Sandy '08

Scholastic Connections

Sama Sandy, from Brooklyn Park, Minn., graduated in 2008 with a degree in business administration. He is now working with Korn/Ferry International, a leadership and talent consulting firm that specializes in executive management searches. For two years he was a Scholastic Connections scholar and worked with an Augsburg alumni mentor.

Your giving supports mentoring through the Scholastic Connections program



Annika Gunderson '11

President's Scholar, world traveler

In her three years as an Auggie, Annika Gunderson '11 has almost spent more time away from Augsburg than on campus. This international relations and Spanish major from Winona, Minn., has studied abroad three times, spending five weeks in Cuernavaca, Mexico; a semester in Central America; and another semester in Brazil. Gunderson suggests that all students take advantage of the many study abroad opportunities available to Augsburg students. "It's important to be able to challenge yourself to go beyond, to experience something unfamiliar."

Your giving supports life-changing experiences through Augsburg's Center for Global Education



Shonna Fulford '09

Myles Stenshoel Scholarship

The Augsburg faculty did more than just teach Shonna Fulford, a 2009 graduate from Perham, Minn. "They are truly there to teach you what they know, to let you discover things you may never have otherwise, and to help you succeed in everything you want to do," she says. As the recipient of the endowed scholarship for students pursuing careers in political science, she also had the opportunity to get to know Professor Emeritus Myles Stenshoel, for whom the scholarship is named. This student orientation leader and Homecoming queen hopes to return to Augsburg some day, perhaps as a member of the administration.

Your giving supports scholarships endowed to honor faculty careers and commitment



Michele Roulet '10

WEC Student Senate

Michele Roulet found Augsburg at the State Fair. Returning to college after a two-year degree and full-time work, she enjoys working at her own pace for "a chance to figure out who I am." The studio art major has studied abroad in Central America and Europe. She has also found a niche in the Weekend Student Senate and has served as its president, making sure that Augsburg's weekend and graduate student voices are represented on campus.

Your giving supports leadership in Student Government

GIVING IN ACTION — Supporting Augsburg Chemistry Students: John and Marvel Yager

John Yager '74 was not a typical Augsburg freshman. Although born in Minnesota, he grew up traveling in a military family. He picked Augsburg because his parents were expected to retire in the Twin Cities; his uncle, Dr. O. Lewis Zahrendt, was an Augsburg graduate; and Augsburg's admissions materials were the most appealing.

It was a good choice. Yager says he considers Augsburg "one of the most fortunate events of my life as far as my education was concerned." His goal was medical school and he majored in chemistry and biology.

Yager credits his academic success to what he believes are still the hallmarks of Augsburg's chemistry department—high levels of integrity, dedication, and a commitment to achievement—as well as the dedication of the chemistry faculty—Courtland Agre, John Holum, Earl Alton, and Arlin Gyberg. Yager also credits his classmates, the "phenomenal group of very bright and hard-working students, who helped me work all the harder."

But even more crucial to his college success was the support Yager received when his older brother, with whom he was living, was tragically killed in an accident. In coping with grief and trying to decide whether to stay at Augsburg, Yager contacted Rick Thoni, the director of student advisers, who arranged for housing options that Yager needed to stay in school and supported him through the crisis.

"Feeling that connection and that bond to the College, and feeling them reach out to me was something I've never forgotten," Yager says.

After graduation Yager took additional chemistry courses and worked as a pathology assistant at St. Mary's Hospital. While medical school did not become part of his future, in the pathology lab he met Marvel, who also worked in the lab and later became his wife.

Yager turned to industry and took a position with an immunodiagnosics company, researching and manufacturing products that improve medical diagnostic testing. Thirty-five years later he has worked at all of the major immunochemistry companies in the Twin Cities and has been on the cutting edge of medical research in a number of start-up companies.



While his first job involved hands-on chemistry, his subsequent work has taken him into related fields and aspects of immunochemistry—quality assurance, regulatory affairs, clinical trials, and literature research and publications. He is a patent-holder on a medical device used in endoscopy.

"I've had great opportunity to really apply chemistry," Yager says, "to apply the discipline of what I've learned over the years to a career that has been extremely rewarding personally." He notes that while he didn't pursue a medical career, his work has continually helped people through development of better medical products.

Yager currently works for a new company, Acist Medical Systems, which manufactures products that help physicians administer the contrast agent used in angiography.

Yager has continually remained connected to the Chemistry Department and Augsburg. He has lectured in senior seminars, served as a mentor to chemistry students, and coached students through the hurdles of finding their first jobs. He enjoys maintaining this connection and being on campus once in a while. "I just feel at home," he says.

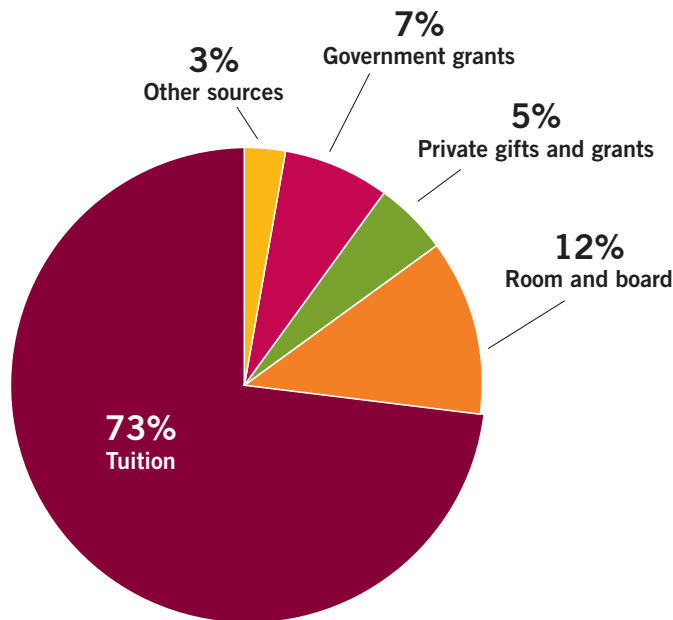
John and Marvel Yager value education and have supported Augsburg chemistry students through the Augsburg College Chemistry Alumni Scholarship. At times, Yager has also been able to provide an employer match to their funds.

"As my career has advanced and we've looked at our values as a family," Yager says, "the idea of giving back has been fundamental."

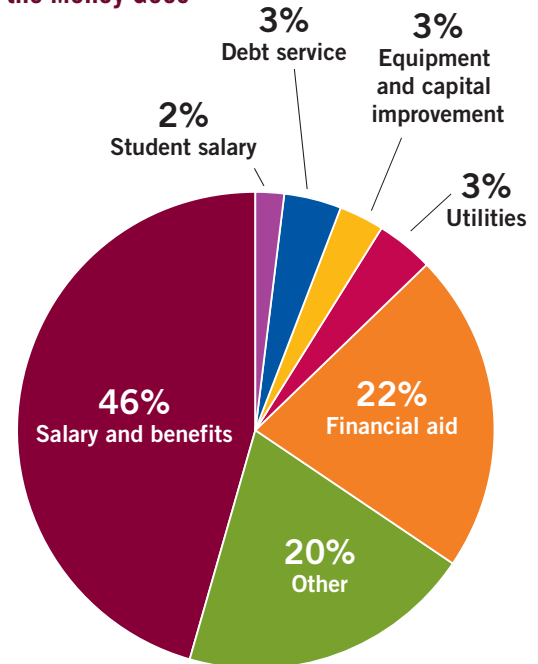
Yager says that for them Augsburg is the natural place to give, and with the scholarship endowment, the gift keeps giving.

2008-2009 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

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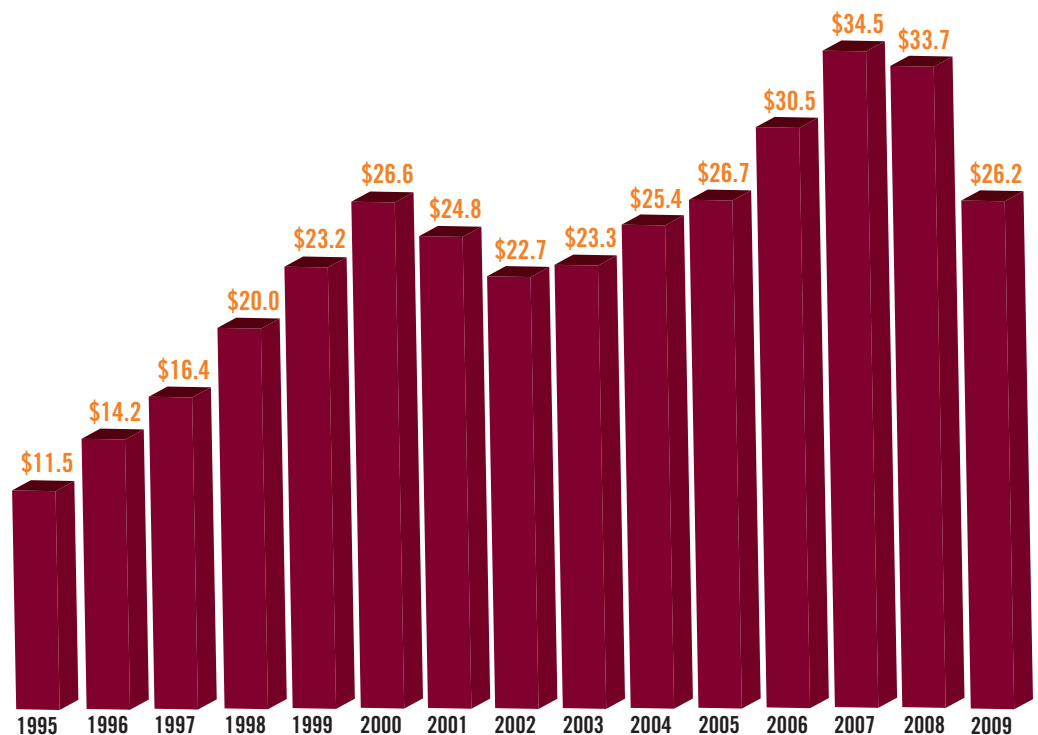


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May 31, 2009

\$26,211,136

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Endowment Assets

(in millions)

June 1, 1995 – May 31, 2009



DEAR FRIENDS,

It is my distinct pleasure to share with you news about the many gifts and contributions made to Augsburg College between June 1, 2008, and May 31, 2009. I am filled with gratitude at the generosity of our thousands of alumni, parents, and friends who wholeheartedly supported the College during this past year of unprecedented economic challenges and uncertainty.

Together, for the benefit of our students and community, we were able to witness many successes and end our year with an operating surplus. I'd like to highlight just a few examples.

- We increased the number of donors who made gifts during the year to a total of 4,751. This support went to The Augsburg Fund, student scholarships, capital projects, and fine arts, athletics, signature programs, and other important initiatives.
- Perhaps most exciting, especially in a challenging economy, was the success of The Augsburg Fund, our fund for unrestricted gifts for the College. For the second year in a row, it reached its \$1 million goal, surpassing last year's mark for a total of \$1,003,210 from 3,400 donors.
- Also for the second year in a row, I am proud to tell you that we received 100% participation in The Augsburg Fund from the Augsburg Board of Regents, the Alumni Board of Directors, the President's Cabinet, and—for the first time—the staff of the Institutional Advancement Division. This was a gratifying sign of commitment from these key groups of leaders.
- Augsburg also received 619 gifts totaling \$387,000 to new or existing scholarship funds. Scholarships are a primary source of financial aid for many students at Augsburg, and we are again grateful for the 334 generous individuals who chose to establish or contribute to these funds.

WE LOOK BACK WITH GRATITUDE
AND FORWARD WITH EXPECTATION
FOR A YEAR OF CONTINUED
SUPPORT FOR OUR STUDENTS

As we enter this new academic year with the largest enrollment and greatest diversity of any incoming first-year class, we look back with gratitude and forward with expectation for a year of continued support for our students. I thank you for your continued, unfailing support.

Sincerely,

JEREMY R. WELLS
VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

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The following list indicates the percentage of alumni from the traditional day program in each class year who made a gift during 2008-09.

Total participation for all class years, 21%.

1934	40.00%	1949	47.27%	1964	35.10%	1979	19.09%	1994	10.73%
1935	50.00%	1950	33.52%	1965	34.75%	1980	17.89%	1995	13.92%
1936	50.00%	1951	44.53%	1966	30.70%	1981	18.97%	1996	4.23%
1937	62.50%	1952	50.86%	1967	41.85%	1982	17.44%	1997	9.72%
1938	64.71%	1953	46.40%	1968	34.35%	1983	18.41%	1998	11.48%
1939	25.00%	1954	37.88%	1969	29.90%	1984	17.73%	1999	7.58%
1940	52.94%	1955	37.36%	1970	24.37%	1985	17.82%	2000	12.20%
1941	40.63%	1956	45.83%	1971	24.30%	1986	13.46%	2001	8.37%
1942	48.84%	1957	43.65%	1972	26.10%	1987	11.32%	2002	5.43%
1943	38.10%	1958	47.75%	1973	25.51%	1988	19.12%	2003	8.14%
1944	45.65%	1959	46.09%	1974	26.42%	1989	14.34%	2004	5.28%
1945	48.72%	1960	38.31%	1975	24.68%	1990	15.69%	2005	9.45%
1946	48.15%	1961	36.88%	1976	23.58%	1991	8.70%	2006	4.78%
1947	45.83%	1962	37.97%	1977	24.65%	1992	10.07%	2007	5.56%
1948	42.86%	1963	40.76%	1978	23.92%	1993	10.71%	2008	3.05%

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From the Alumni Board president ...



Dear valued alumni and friends,

As I write this article, we are passing into autumn, and every year this brings a palpable sense of nostalgia and reflection. This year I have been considering some of the principles and ideals I learned while a student and at Augsburg.

As alumni we are all aware of the themes of vocation, *caritas* (love), and the duty to be an active part of our community. These themes were the foundation of the education we received from Augsburg and are still the foundation for students today.

However, my question is, what does each of these tenets mean to us today, as alumni? Vocation and *caritas* are defined without much difficulty in our lives. We know that through our education we are able to work in our various fields and through love have lasting and definable relationships with our fellow human beings. But in our hectic lives, how do we define our community?

The notion of community has gone through some interesting changes over the years. We used to define community by main factors of geography and/or common goals and ideals. However, this has evolved over the years with the advancement of digital capabilities and how we communicate. Today we use Twitter, write brief e-mails, and compose quick text messages to communicate with one

another in our closely defined lives. We belong to chatting communities, Facebook, MySpace, and thousands of other digital groups, which could be argued constitute a community.

We cannot deny that technology has given us the ability to stay in contact and have more access to information than ever before, but the question we need to consider is, are we truly following our duty and responsibilities of our fellowship in humankind?

Each of us will have a different answer to this question, but none of us can deny that we are living in a time that needs all of us to actively be involved in the world we live. My call to duty to each of you, as alumni, is to take some time to rediscover the communities in which you belong and consider how you can participate and make a difference. A great place to start is by examining one community in which you belong: Augsburg College. As a member of the Augsburg community, a great first step would be to visit the Augsburg College alumni relations page, www.augsburg.edu/alumni, and go to Get Involved. There are many opportunities to get involved and volunteers are always needed.

I wish you all happy reflections in this autumn season.

DANIEL HICKLE '95
ALUMNI BOARD PRESIDENT

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Our 'Uniquely Augsburg' faculty add a special touch to alumni events

Courtesy photo



Have you ever wondered if those costumes at the Renaissance Festival are really accurate? Did you have any idea how the government's stimulus bill would affect you? Ever considered what it would be like to see the Italian countryside through the eyes of an art historian?

These and many more are the opportunities you have when Augsburg faculty join you in the Uniquely Augsburg alumni events

and programs. While not everyone is able to come to Augsburg's campus, a number of professors are bringing the Augsburg experience to areas around the Twin Cities, sharing their expertise and passions, answering questions, and helping interpret policies and issues into news you can use.

Michael Lansing, assistant professor of history and director of environmental studies, talked about the value of hands-on learning in Augsburg's new environmental studies program. He led the Lake Minnetonka eco-tour cruise in June, describing environmental issues of the large lake and answering questions about its ecology.

Phillip Adamo (pictured left), associate professor and chair of the History Department and director of medieval studies, hosted lunch in Augsburg's tent at the Renaissance Festival and answered questions about what's real and what's not. He also led a tour around the grounds, stopping at a 16th-century Irish cottage replica to give a glimpse of what life was like then.

When Auggies gathered in August for "Auggie Night at the Races" in Shakopee, accounting professor Stu Stoller kicked off the night with a presentation on "The Odds of Winning."

The quarterly Eye-Opener Breakfast Series provides alumni professionals an opportunity to start the day with networking and a talk by an Augsburg academic. In April, Economics Department chair Jeanne Boeh spoke about the stimulus package, how it affected the economy, and what it meant for most people.

The Uniquely Augsburg concept also extends to travel opportunities. The November tour to Italy was led by art professor Kristin Anderson, whose passions include the art, architecture, history, and culture of this region.

Uniquely Augsburg alumni events have succeeded in engaging alumni in great ways to experience an Augsburg education without coming to campus. Watch for upcoming events in your area; the next one may be just around the corner.

Keep up on all alumni events at www.augsburg.edu/alumni.

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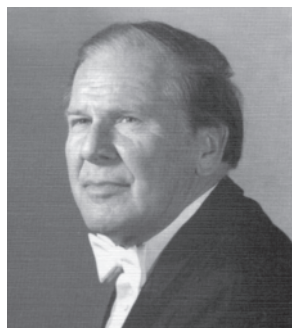
Journey to the Emerald Isle of Ireland

Join friends from the Augsburg College community for an in-depth journey through Ireland. Explore centuries of heroic history, visiting archaeological sites dating to 9,000 BC. Experience the intense rugged beauty of land carved from the sea, contrasting with the meticulous gardens of stately castles. Discover the spirit of Celtic Christianity at ancient monastic communities where Christianity flourished during the Dark Ages. Celebrate contemporary Irish culture with passion-filled music and food at local pubs.

The tour departs in early October 2010 and will be hosted by Augsburg faculty. A detailed tour brochure will be available in December. To receive the brochure, contact Alumni Relations, 612-330-1173 or alumni@augsborg.edu.

Kylemore Abbey, in County Galway, the oldest of the Irish Benedictine abbeys, is one of the sites on the alumni itinerary in October 2010.

The Augsburg Choir Legacy Recordings



Leland B. Sateren '35

Continuing the Augsburg Choir's 75th anniversary celebration, Augsburg is proud to announce that CD versions of the Augsburg Choir recordings from 1949-1979 will soon be available. These re-mastered historical treasures will be released as **The Augsburg Choir Legacy Recordings**.

Three boxed sets, each containing five CDs, will be produced:

Box 1: From Opseth to Sateren

1949-50: Augsburg Choir, with Henry P. Opseth conducting.
Includes *Jeg er saa glad*, *Praise to the Lord*, and *Song of Mary*
1951-52: includes Sateren's *Cycle for Christmas* and his arrangement of *The Sun Has Gone Down*
1954-55: includes Sateren's *Christmas Canticle*
1956-57: includes Knut Nystedt's *Cry Out and Shout*
1961-62: includes Sateren's *His Compassions Fail Not*

Box 2: Sateren Intermezzo

1964-65: includes music from the European tour, spanning 400 years of music from Corsi and Bach to Jean Berger
1967-68: *Praise to God*; includes Sateren's *Seek Not Afar for Beauty*
1969-70: *Thy Truth Within*; includes Sateren's composition by the same name
1970-71: *Make a Joyful Noise*; includes Sateren's *The Poor and Needy*
1971-72: *The Redeemer*; includes Sateren's *A Choral Cycle The Redeemer*

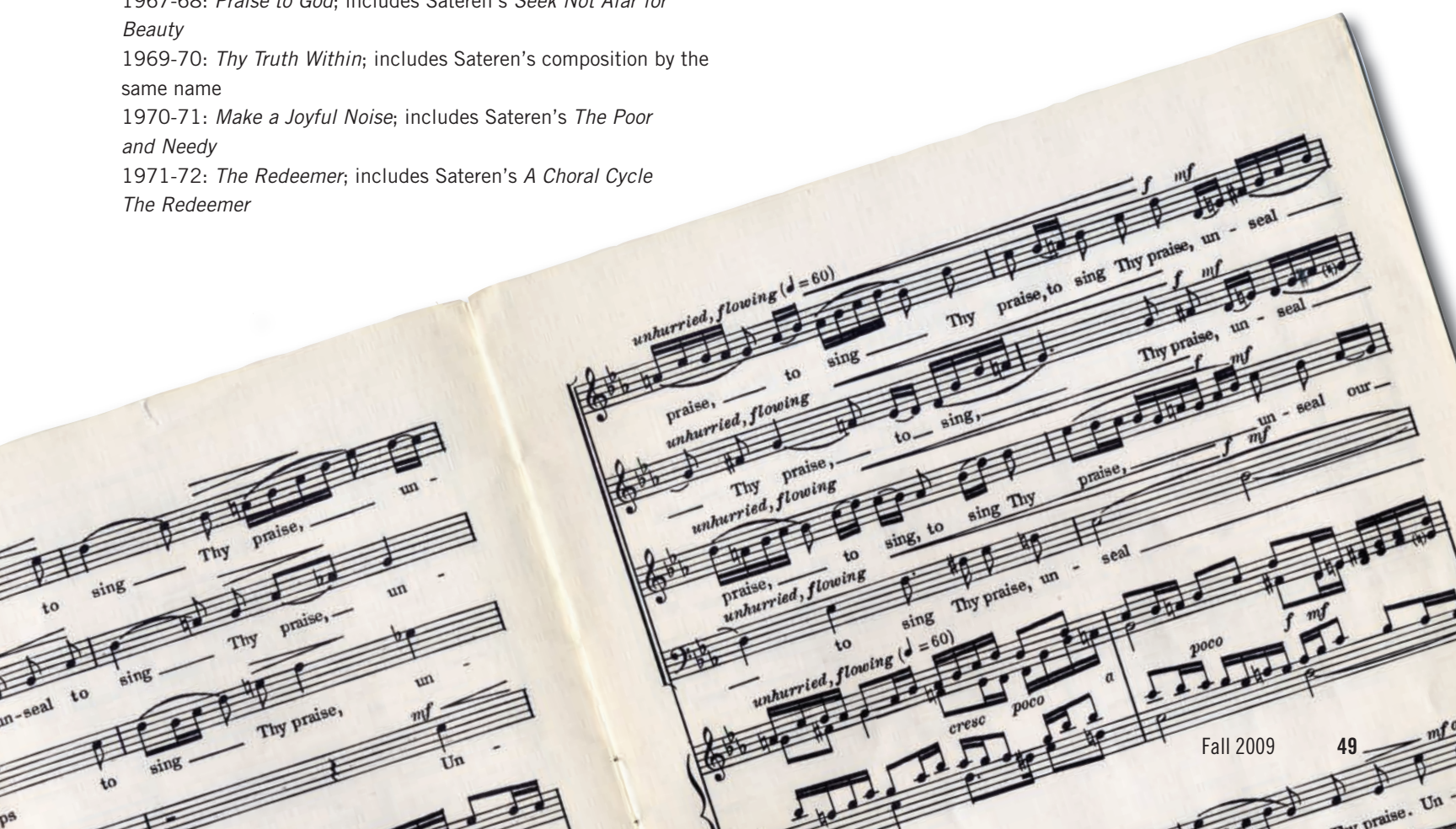
Box 3: Sateren Finale

1972-73: *An Ascription of Praise*; includes Sateren's composition by the same name
1974-75: *Day of Pentecost*; includes Sateren's composition by the same name
1975-76: *And Death Shall Have No Dominion*; visiting director Idar Karevold
1977-78: *Here Comes Our King*; includes Sateren's composition by the same name
1978-79: *Gloria*; includes the title piece by Lars Edlund

The Augsburg Choir Legacy Recordings will add to the richness of the choral tradition of the past, present, and future. Dr. Bill Halverson '51 has written a monograph about Leland B. Sateren's life and career that will be included with the recordings. These recordings will also confirm the historical and continued significance of Augsburg College as a place of preparation for service in community and church.

The Augsburg Choir Legacy Recordings will be available early next year through the Augsburg College Bookstore. For information on ordering the CDs, go to the Music Department website, www.augsburg.edu/music.

Cost: \$49 per boxed set; \$135 for all three boxed sets, plus shipping and handling.



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Experience the beauty and culture of Norway

Peter Holste



Experience the spectacular beauty of Norway's fjords with the Center for Leadership Studies next June.

Join Augsburg's Center for Leadership Studies for an educational and cultural tour to Norway, June 5–15, 2010. This specially-designed tour includes visits to Oslo, Kongsberg, Geilo, Bergen, and Stavanger. While in Oslo, the group will be hosted by Diakonhjemmet University College, an Augsburg partner school that offers a master's degree in value-based leadership. Accommodations

will be on or near campus. Faculty from Diakonhjemmet will lead three morning sessions to complement the travel, providing an inside perspective and an opportunity to reflect on what is seen and learned.

The tour includes:

- Five days in Oslo—located on a fjord, surrounded by hills, and full of the excitement of a large, cosmopolitan city
- A journey westward by motor coach through Kongsberg, the historic Numedal Valley, and Hardangervidda (the mountain plateau home of large reindeer herds) to stay in a charming traditional hotel in Geilo
- A famously scenic train ride to the fjord village of Flåm and a cruise on the Aurlands and Naeroy Fjords
- Two nights in picturesque and historic Bergen on Norway's west coast
- A journey south by motor coach and ferry to Stavanger, designated "European Capital of Culture" for 2008. Stavanger was the main departure point for Norwegian immigrants to America. After an overnight stay, the tour departs for home from Stavanger.

Cost: \$3799 (includes airfare, accommodations, in-country travel, entrance fees during group excursions, tour guides, workshops at Diakonhjemmet, and 15 meals). Space is limited to 26.

For information about the tour and a PowerPoint preview, contact Patty Park at 612-330-1150 or parkp@augsborg.edu.

Welcome home, Old Main bell

Augsburg's first Old Main building opened in 1874, and until it was razed to build Sverdrup Hall, its bell called the campus community to meals and events.

This bell has recently come back to Augsburg, and will find a new place and purpose on campus. We're planning a story about the bell in the spring issue of *Augsburg Now*, about its history, its travels, and its return home. Scouring our archives, we haven't been able to learn much about it, or find it pictured in archive photos.

Do you remember this Old Main bell? Please help us learn more about it—where was it located, how and when did it ring? What do you remember about it?

After the bell served its duty in Old Main, it became part of Augsburg student traditions—participating in sports and other student activities. What do you remember—tell us, even anonymously, if you wish!

E-mail information and stories to now@augsborg.edu or call 612-330-1181. We invite you to become part of the "rest of the story" about the Old Main bell.

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50-YEAR REUNION—CLASS OF 1959

Front row (L to R): Richard Sletten, Donald Jorenby, Don Sallen, Reidun (Hartmark) Newquist, Inez (Olson) Schwarzkopf, Joe Nystuen, Vicki (Skor) Pearson, Mary (Byhre) Carlson, Lorie Christianson, Lois (Madson) Allen; Row 2 (L to R): Stanley Quanbeck, David Quanbeck, Norman Quanbeck, Jim Horn, Tom Moen, Barbara (Olson) Dettle, Paul Christensen, Gordon Lindgren, Alice (Lindell) Lindgren, Arlene (Selander) Hill, Joyce (Lundeen) Wuori; Row 3 (L to R): Carl Caspersen, Merton Johnson, Jerry Hendricks, Don Olson, Chuck Fering, Eugene Peterson, Robert Meffert, David Ringstad, Rodney Hill; Back row (L to R): Lee Lauen, Don Hagestuen, Lawrence Lystig, Martin Sabo, John Berg, Paul Almquist, Marcus Johnson, Gale Torstenson, John Lyngdal, Walter Lundeen



40-YEAR REUNION—CLASS OF 1969

Front row (L to R): Arlene Uejima, Karl Sneider; Row 2 (L to R): Nancy (Rolfe) Rolfe-Bailey, Lynn (Benson) Hjelmeland, Janice (Hawkins) Halvorson, Kristi Holden; Rows 3, 4 combined (L to R): Roberta (Halseth) Clausen, Joan (Halverson) Holt, Diana (Olson) Ersfeld, Ardell (Thorpe) Bengtson, Ron Holden; Row 5 (L to R): Greg Clausen, Eunice Helgeson, Judy (Johnson Kangas) Lies, Pam (Fredrickson) Gunderson; Row 6 (L to R): Diane (Helgeson) Carter, Lois (Peterson) Bollman, Julie (Kreie) Eidsvoog, Sue (Halvorson) Bjerkestrand; Row 7 (L to R): Sharon (Mielke) Eian, Shirley (Swee) Seutter, Alvina (Strand) Skogen, Linda (Stewart) Miller, Larry Turner; Rows 8, 9 combined (L to R): Jacqueline (Kniefel) Lind, Joel Branes, Daryl Miller, Wayne Carlson, Pamela (Bjorklund) Carlson, Richard Fenton; Rows 10, 11 combined (L to R): Glen Peterson, Larry Matthews, Bruce Mestemacher, Mike Essen, Bob Bliss, Gary Boen

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REUNION GROUPS



25-YEAR REUNION— CLASS OF 1984

(L to R) Laurie (Ofstedal) Frattallone, Laurie (Lindell) Miles, Sonja Thompson, Carmela (Brown) Kranz, Kim (Olsen) Melotte, Lisa (Rykken) Kastler

ALUMNI class notes

61 Sheldon Johnson began in September as interim superintendent at Meadow Creek (Minn.) Christian School. He retired in 2000 after 33 years as superintendent of the Monticello School District, and has since served four prior stints as an interim superintendent.

Richard E. Lund, MD, is a retired radiologist, living in Edmonds, Wash. He and his wife, Ann, have been married for 43 years and have five grandchildren. rlxrad@aol.com

67 Susan Nelson has been teaching elementary special education for 23 years in the Davenport (Iowa) Community Schools. She coached the 1995 and 1999 World Games Special Olympics Iowa tennis teams and the 2006 National Games Iowa tennis team.

68 Jon Hageseth retired in September from his 27-year tenure as co-founder and director of the Counseling and Testing Center at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. He plans to pursue photography and woodworking, as well as play tennis and golf, and volunteer in the community.

Kathy Olson entered the contest in September for an at-large seat on the Waverly (Iowa) City Council. She retired last year as CUNA Mutual human resources director and serves on two non-profit boards in her community.

69 Ardell (Thorpe) Bengtson works at the Dakota County Library.

David Cross works at UNIVAC/UNISYS Cadence Design Systems.

Kristi (Sanford) Goetsch enjoyed a wonderful 30-year career in the Seattle Public Schools from 1969-1999. Since then she has been doing volunteer work with the elderly and teaching Sunday School.

Jacqueline (Kniefel) Lind '94 MAL works at the Airport Foundation MSP to recruit, train, and recognize 300 volunteers for Travelers Assistance. She completed her Master of Arts in Leadership degree at Augsburg and has served as Augsburg's Alumni Board president.

Robert Strandquist has taught high school English around the world. He has been a two-time Fulbright exchange teacher, a scholar at Oxford and in Ireland, and has run 15 marathons. Now he's "tired—no, re-tired."

Larry Turner has raised a family, retired from the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, served 22 years in the Naval Reserve, and now enjoys opportunities to travel and expand his photography hobby.

70 Sharon Ann (Johnson) Sullivan received the "Excellence in Teaching Award" from the California Council for Adult Education. She is a metropolitan adult education instructor at Hope Services, San Jose, Calif., where she teaches life skills to over 150 adults who are developmentally disabled.

71 Jane (Catlin) Bracken, a first-grade teacher at Cannon Falls (Minn.) Elementary School, was selected by her peers as the elementary Teacher of the Year in January.

72 Janice Nelson is a new member of the board of directors of Southwest Initiative Foundation in Hutchinson, Minn. She is an attorney with the law firm of Nelson Oyen Torvik in Montevideo, Minn., and works with real estate, estate planning, elder law, and probate.

75 Andrea (Strommen) Johnson is co-chairing St. Paul Children's Hospital Association's CHanging Lives 60th Annual Ball. Proceeds from the November 21 benefit go to Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota.

76 Rev. David Halaas was called to serve as senior pastor at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Williston, N.D.

78 Lora (Thompson) Sturm began as pastor of St. John's United Church of Christ and Nerstrand (Minn.) United Methodist Church last summer.

79 Sue (Johnson) Drakulic spent 22 years working at Honeywell, and then left to run her own

management consulting firm, Drakulic & Associates, which currently contracts in the operations and development areas with Hope Chest for Breast Cancer.

Kay (Peterson) Sauck is president and CEO of Sauck Media Group, a publishing company that she founded in 2009 in Fairmont, Minn. She launched *Womeninc* magazine in 2004. In 2008, after a series of personal tragedies, she started *Midwest Caregiver*, which has now become *Caregiving in America*. Coming in spring 2010 is a third publication called *MN Rivers*. kay@sauckmedia.com

82 Mary Ann Sullivan began hosting a Saturday evening jazz show, Corner Jazz, on KBEM Radio, after working for 12 years at Minnesota Public Radio.

83 Kay Luedtke-Smith organized a workshop in music therapy, "Musical Play: Learning through Music," at the Fraser School last February.

84 Wanda (Hemphill) Borman has worked, traveled to Europe and Asia, and is an instructor in the Eagan Art House and manager of the Eagan Art Festival.

Jill (Beck) Burch works at Accenture at Best Buy.

Shari Kay (Hackbarth) Hunter completed an MBA at the University of St. Thomas and works at Provincial Bank.

Karen Jensen works for the State of Minnesota. After graduation she took an Outward Bound course, found a passion for outdoor adventure, and has paddled around the world. Five years ago, she lost her husband, Jim Rada, when he died while paddling a whitewater river.

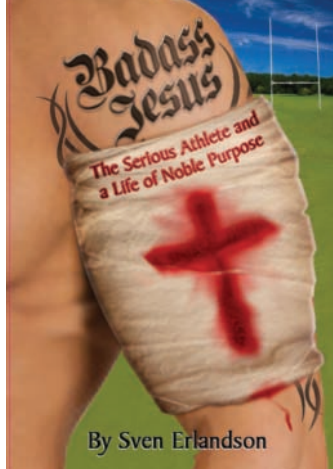
Lisa (Rykkken) Kastler is program executive at Youth Encounter and oversees national and international traveling ministry teams and week-end events. She has enjoyed opportunities to use her theatre studies in youth ministry.

Kim Marie Olsen taught elementary and middle school and served as a youth minister. Her husband retired from active duty in the U.S. Navy, and they are now settled in Wisconsin.

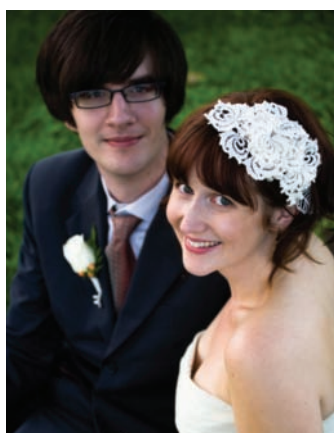
Liz (Peterson) Sheahan has worked at Ministry Home Care, Inc., where she has created Telly-award-winning videos on home health and hospice care used in fundraising.



A group of Auggies from the late 1970s found an occasion to get together for dinner in Minneapolis last April. Front row, L to R: **Laura (Berg) Nelson '79**, **Steve Nelson '78**, **Steve Wehrenberg '78**, **Sue (Johnson) Wehrenberg '79**, **Pam (Hanson) Moksnes '79**, **Lynn Schmidtke '79**; Back row, L to R: **Steve Pheneger**, **LuAnn Pheneger**, **Mark Moksnes '79**, **Tim Gordon '80**, **Gail (Wagner) Gordon '80**, **Karin (Larson) Monson**, **Greg Monson '79** (in back), **Susan Streed McNaughton**, **Bill Voedisch**, **Laurie (Carlson) Voedisch**, **Chris Geason '78**, **Julie (Edson) Geason '79**



92 **Sven Erlandson** has published his fourth book, *Badass Jesus: The Serious Athlete and a Life of Noble Purpose*. Written for "the most intense, focused, and fiercest athletes," the book is rooted in "Jesus' First and Greatest Commandment and his personal ethos of radical other-centered love."



05 **Allison (Cornell) and Matt Broughton '06** were married in a small ceremony on June 27. The couple lives in Hanover, N.H., where Matt is a graduate student in physics at Dartmouth College and Allison works for the Dartmouth Medical School Development Office. The photo was taken by Ryan Bethke '09.

88 **Lee Roper-Batker** is the president and CEO of the Women's Foundation of Minnesota, which she has served since 2001. She received a diploma from the Higher Trade Union College in Moscow, where she studied trade union movements.

92 **Bethany Buchanan** married Charles Micheal Scott, a high school special education teacher, in June 2008. A year later they started Grace Homes-Williston House, a residential care home for seniors in Minnetonka. After working as a



02 **Adrienne (Kuchler) Eldridge** and her husband, Jason, welcomed a son, Hudson Isaiah, on June 12. She is the program and organizational manager at the First Lutheran Church and Bay Lake Camp. aeke@hotmail.com



06 **Sarah Huerta '06 MBA** and her husband, **Craig '09**, welcomed their second child, Connor Brian, on April 24. He joins big brother Brady, 2-1/2.

social worker, Bethany graduated from nursing school in 2001, and worked at Fairview University Medical Center and Methodist Hospital as a medical-surgical nurse prior to opening the care home. In 2003, 2004, and 2005 she did month-long medical mission tours in Nigeria.

Sharol Tyra received a Star Award 2008 from the Minnesota Organization of Leaders in Nursing (MOLN) in recognition of her commitment to volunteering and dedication to influencing health care by advancing professional nursing leadership, particularly with the Metro Alliance Education and Service Collaborative for Expanded Enrollment of Baccalaureate Nurses.

97 **Paul Petrasek** married David Alan Hurley on Oct. 28, 2008, in Van Nuys, Calif. Paul works at FedEx and David Alan works at the VA Medical Center. They traveled to Disneyland for a honeymoon and live in Avon, Calif.

99 **Loucinda (Olson) Bjorklund** works at Vascular Solutions, Inc.



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06 **Miriam Zien Edgar** and Scott Edgar were married on July 5 in St. Louis Park, Minn. Auggies in the wedding party included **Molly Rivers '06**, **Alia Sheirman '08**, **Laya Theberge '06**, **Dayle Vanderleest '04**, **Peter Lindemann '04**, and **Karley Kielty '07**. Music professors **Robert Stacke '71** and Ned Kantor played in the klezmer/jazz band. Miriam is orchestra director at J.F. Kennedy High School in Bloomington, and Scott is completing his master's degree in counseling and psychological services at St. Mary's University of Minnesota.

Natasha Hamann is a family medicine physician at Allina Medical Clinic in Buffalo, Minn.

Tracy (Glumich) Hovland and her husband, Erik, have a six-month-old daughter, Ava.

June (Kirk) Nelson returned to West Africa 15 months ago, where she works at the Hopital Protestante in Ngaoundere, Cameroon, a mission hospital that trains Christian African physicians to become surgeons.

Megan Renze has been in Florida for 10 years. She completed her Juris Doctor degree at the University of Miami Law School.

00 **Aaron Gabriel** directed the regional premiere of *How Can You Run with a Shell on Your Back* at the Stages Theatre in Hopkins, Minn., in March. The musical won a regional Tony award following its premiere in Chicago last year.

Chiho Okuizumi is program coordinator at VH1 Save the Music Foundation in New York City, which provides access to instrumental music education to children in more than 1,600 public schools across the U.S.

01 **Emily Nugent '07 MAL, '09 MBA** is engaged to Nick Loiacano and has moved to Los Angeles.

02 **Jennifer Langman** married Kevin Reese in Cameron, Wis., on August 9, 2008. Jennifer earned a master's degree in health science from Duke University and was

employed at the time of her wedding at Appleton Cardiology Associates in Appleton, Wis., as a physician assistant. Kevin is a high school math teacher and head track coach at Clintonville High School.

03 **Max Marcy** received his MBA from the Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota, in 2008 and accepted a promotion to senior internal auditor at Valspar in Minneapolis. He travels widely doing internal audits, including the U.S., Europe, and China. In 2004 he married his wife, Jessica, in a Celtic mass held in Syracuse, N.Y. They live in Minneapolis with their Persian cat, Eleanor Rigby.

04 **Adam Nugent and Carolina (Chiesa)** are living in College Station, Texas. Adam is studying for a Master of Landscape Architecture degree at Texas A&M, and Carolina is teaching at South Knoll Elementary School.

05 **Brad Bourn** works as a program manager with youth service agencies and the Minneapolis Public Schools on the North Side. He has run for the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to keep parks on the North Side safe and programmed. He has received the Presidential Service Award for his work with youth.

07 **Jeremy Anderson** adapted one of his poems into a 10-minute play, "Jones'n," which was produced as part of the Bedlam Theatre's Ten-Minute Play Festival in May.

A Colombian Auggie in Europe— Paola Murcia '99

How did a Latin American Auggie from Colombia end up in Belgium via Minneapolis and Costa Rica?

Paola Murcia has lived in Antwerp, Belgium, for three years now, working for Dole Fresh Fruit as the banana allocation assistant for Europe. In this role, she is the contact person between the European market for Dole bananas and the production in Latin America.

This journey began in the mid-1990s when another Auggie from Colombia introduced Paola to Eloisa Echavez, then the director of Augsburg's Hispanic/Latino Student Services. Echavez met with Paola's parents when she traveled in Colombia, and they agreed to Paola's going to Augsburg.

She studied international relations, political science, and French, and graduated in 1999. A year later, she took a position in San José, Costa Rica, with Dole, and over the next six years she was continually promoted and grew in the company toward the appointment in Dole's European division.

Shortly after arriving in Belgium, Paola reflected on how she felt Augsburg had provided a foundation for this new experience.

"I have used what was learned in political science and international relations to be the professional and the person I have become," Paola wrote. "As Professor Norma Noonan puts it better than I could, [she wrote to me,] 'You are living international relations, which is even better than merely studying it! You are living the multicultural experiences that you have had in all the countries through which you have passed.'"

Paola would encourage current students to pay a lot of attention to history and geography, as well as language.

"There is still an image that Americans don't know much

Courtesy photo



Apart from her work, Paola Murcia '99 enjoys traveling in Europe and had a great view of the Thames in London from the London Eye ferris wheel.

about those subjects," Paola says, "and it's important when you live abroad that you try to blend in as much as possible. Also, to be open-minded!"

When Paola arrived in Europe, for the first time she found herself in a place where she didn't understand anything at all. In Antwerp, although most people speak English, the language is Dutch (Flemish). But, since Belgium's official languages are Dutch, German, and French, she could use her French from Augsburg and fully appreciated the efforts of professor Pary Pezechkian, who pushed her to master it.

As of now, Paola plans to stay in Europe, working in the international field. She has studied Dutch and is striving to perfect her French and German. She is also now accustomed to the continental European winter, and she credits her years in Minnesota for preparing her for this, as well.

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Shannon Olson works as a marketing associate within a new type of teaming structure at Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, called Professional Office Practices (POP).

Quincy Osborn joined the athletic staff at Ohio University as an assistant coach in wrestling, after serving in the same position for Augsburg's wrestling team.

08 Tasha Christensen married Nikolaus Browne on June 13

at an outdoor ceremony along the Mississippi River and drove to Niagara Falls for their honeymoon.

Daniel Manley is a police officer in Glen Ridge, N.J. and saved the life of a choking baby on the second day on his job after having recently completed police academy training.

Alia Scheirman began her service in the Peace Corps in Ukraine at the end of September.

09 Abigail Ferjak, with a major in youth and family ministry, is beginning study at Yale Divinity Graduate College and wants to explore the possibility of teaching in a college setting.

Matthew Tonsager has joined the Elm Creek Associates of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans as a financial associate with the organization's Central Minnesota Regional Financial Office.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Jeff Falkingham '95 MAL received favorable reviews from the Sherlock Holmes Society of London for his second novel, *Sherlock Holmes: In Search of the Source*, released on January 6, the 155th birthday of Holmes. The historical fiction is set in 1896 in St. Paul. Read the review at www.sherlockholmes.org.uk/pdf/DM290.pdf.



In Memoriam

Larson, Gertrude (Amundson) '35, Denver, Colo., age 100, on Aug. 3.

Pautz, Richard '37, Minneapolis, age 96, on July 4. Former athletic director, director of public relations, Augsburg regent emeritus, and 1972 Distinguished Alumnus.

Ahlberg, Ruth C. '44, Chesterton, Ind., age 88, on Aug. 25.

Johnson, Edwin O. '44, Minneapolis, age 88, on Aug. 16.

Larsen, Marguerite (Greguson) '45, Carlton, Minn., age 86, on July 4.

Strand, Carl '46, Owatonna, Minn., age 87, on Aug. 12.

Wessman, Rev. Willis '48, Topeka, Kan., age 88, on July 26.

Carstenbrock, Walter '49, Austin, Minn., age 86, on July 7.

Brown, Orpha (Grimsrud) '50, Phoenix, Ariz., and Portland, Ore., age 80, on July 27.

Lalim, Archie '50, Madison, Conn., age 80, on Aug. 9. 1990 Distinguished Alumnus.

Berkland, Rev. Theodore '51, '54 Sem, Grantsburg, Wis., age 80, on June 20 of multiple myeloma.

Sortland, Rev. Howard '51, Plymouth, Minn., age 86, on Aug. 3.

Balerud, Paul '54, North Platte, Neb., age 79, on Aug. 5.

Nelson, Judith (Olson) '65, Shell Knob, Mo., age 66, on Aug. 29.

Jones-Hermerding, Ertwin '69, Otter Tail, Minn., age 62, on Aug. 11, in a motorcycle accident. 2003 Distinguished Alumnus.

Dahl, Jeffrey '74, Cottonwood, Minn., age 56, on Sept. 30.

Treichel, Scott G. '76, Webster, Wis., age 55, on July 31.

Olsen, Daniel J. '78, Apple Valley, Minn., age 53, on May 4.

Mason, Wilma/Bom-Ba-Equay (Windy Woman) '81, Bemidji, Minn., age 61, on Sept. 10.

Ballot, Sarah (Carlson) '98, Minneapolis, age 33, in early July, in an auto accident.

Allegrezza, Genevieve '04, Anchorage, Alaska, age 28, on Aug. 3.

Johnston, Hannah (Bratzel) '07, St. Paul Park, Minn., age 27, on June 25, of cancer.

Wick, Cheryl '11 PA, Rochester, Minn., age 25, on July 25, of cardiac arrhythmia.

Druck, Rachel '12, age 23, on Oct. 17.

Sulzen, Zoya '12, Minneapolis, at the end of July.

Anderson, Margaret (Klinner), Edina, Minn., age 86, on June 19. She taught home economics at Augsburg and was the widow of Ernie Anderson '37.

Pedersen, Myrtle Edith, Hudson, Wis., age 100, on Aug. 12.

Wrightsmann, Rev. Bruce, Garnavillo, Iowa, age 75, on Oct. 4, of heart failure and amyloidosis. He taught in the Department of Religion and Philosophy, 1960–63.

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For news of a death, printed notice is required, e.g. an obituary, funeral notice, or program from a memorial service.

Send your news items, photos, or change of address by mail to: **Augsburg Now Class Notes, Augsburg College, CB 146, 2211 Riverside Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55454**, or e-mail alumni@augsborg.edu. You can also submit news at www.augsburg.edu/alumni.

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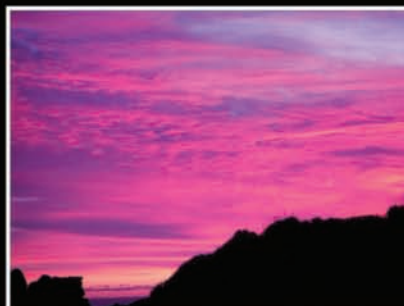
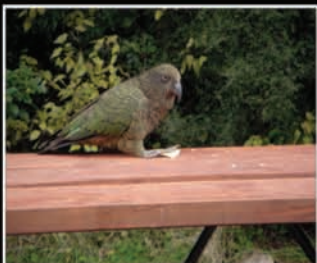
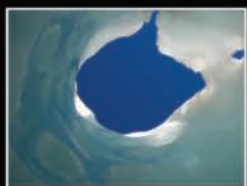
☐ I know a student who is interested in attending Augsburg.

my AUGGIE experience

Donnarose Storer-Markoe '10

From May 12–June 14, 25 students traveled to New Zealand and the Cook Islands studying Biodiversity and Environmental Politics, led by biology professor and native New Zealander Brian Corner and political science professor Joe Underhill.

Donnarose Storer-Markoe, a senior majoring in political science with a pre-law emphasis and a minor in international relations, has shared excerpts from her journal.



May 14—Wellington, New Zealand

At the beginning of this year, I told myself I was going to make it a goal to travel as much as I can. Here I sit in Wellington, New Zealand, with ample opportunity to do some traveling. I'm very thankful for the opportunity and I'm excited to see what's in store.

May 15—Department of Conservation

After hearing about the purposes, goals, and different conservation projects, we were given a tour of the DOC's new building. ... I was really impressed with the way the lights could remember where certain people go to their office and only turn on every third light in the building.

I was amazed at all of the different sustainable practices that were implemented. I couldn't stop thinking about how someone could incorporate all of these, and, more importantly, think of all of these practices. If more people were thinking the way these designers were and trying to implement these things I think we would be on our way to a more sustainable world.

May 27—Visit to a Maori community

While visiting a local *marae* (*whanau*) we were given the opportunity to learn about the culture of the Maori people. ... As part of this experience we listened to a presentation by Waereti Tait and Tess Kora (both members of this *marae*) on issues of sustainability within their culture. ...

Their general goal is to "generate sustainable relationships through the establishment of *whanau* eco-villages and learning centers." ... To accomplish this, the idea is to build simple, non-polluting homes where people can grow their own food. ...

I learned a lot about the importance of being able to portray yourself and deal with issues that are affecting your community. It is difficult and seems illogical to try and address issues from an outsider's point of view. How can we ever appreciate or fully understand issues of another culture if we are not a part of it? It gives me new appreciation for learning about cultures from someone who belongs to the culture.

June 13—final reflections

I'm trying to process these last few weeks of the trip and I can't even begin to sort my thoughts or make sense of all of them. I know I've learned a lot, and my mind is on overload. ... As for now, I'm glad this was possible, and I look forward to more experiences like this one.

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"Augsburg has been a wonderful home for us and our three children. In our planned giving, we want to bless those who have blessed us in so many ways. We pray that Augsburg will continue to be a blessing for generations to come."



THE REV. DR. NORMAN WAHL '76 AND KATHRYN J. WAHL '76

The Rev. Dr. Norman Wahl '76 is executive pastor of Bethel Lutheran Church in Rochester, Minn. He is an Augsburg regent and was a key planner in the establishment of Augsburg's Rochester campus. Kathryn (Anderson) Wahl '76 is a first-grade teacher in St. Charles, Minn. They have three children, Christopher '00 (an attorney in Indianapolis), Kari '02 (an accountant in Rochester, Minn.), and Timothy '07 (a teacher and coach in Rosemount, Minn.).



To see other photos of Auggie Eagle around campus during the week of Homecoming, go to www.augsburg.edu/now

What will Auggie do next?

As part of the Homecoming celebration, Auggie (or a paper cutout of Auggie from the Homecoming brochure) wandered around campus and had his photo taken for the online photo of the week. Here Auggie is studying sociology in the library.