

Making News

Baldrige team makes site visit

For the second year in a row, UW-Stout received a site visit for the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. UW-Stout is one of four institutions in the "education" category to receive a site visit this year.

Established by law in 1987, the award is named for the former secretary of commerce. The award was established to promote the awareness of performance excellence. It promotes information sharing on successful performance strategies and the benefits derived from implementation of these strategies.

"We are very pleased that we were again recipients of a site visit for the Malcolm Baldrige award," Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen said. "It represents that we are recognized as a national leader in quality improvement, and a real tribute to our faculty, staff and students."

The site team conducted a campus visit in mid-October, and winners will be announced in November. Normally the award is presented to winning institutions by the President of the United States.

People You Know

Adekola named International program director

Abel Adekola has been named director of International Programs at UW-Stout, replacing Steve Snyder, who retired recently. Adekola has been teaching international business, management and marketing courses at UW-Stout since 1995. In his new position, he is responsible for developing additional international opportunities for students, faculty and staff, and for maintaining the existing study abroad programs. He will also promote and help plan international education on campus, supervise student services for international students, and coordinate international grants and training projects.

Gomke selected for diversity award

Monte Gomke, a residence hall manager, received the university's Diversity Award for 2000-01. The award recognizes Gomke for his work in promoting diversity and diversity education at the university, and for implementing the initiatives of Plan 2008 for the Housing and Residence Life department.

Graduate Cooperative Achievement Awards

Two UW-Stout staff members and two graduate students recently received Cooperative Achievement Awards from the university's Graduate Student Council. The awards recognize their joint research, publishing and professional activities.

Kristina Gorbatenko-Roth, psychology, and Rebecca Childs, a graduate student from Eau Claire majoring in applied psychology, received the award for evaluating the STEPS technology program at UW-Stout and at three other universities.

Denise Maricle, counseling and psychology, and Jessica Dempze, a graduate student from Wisconsin Rapids majoring in guidance and counseling, received the award for their research article titled "An Investigation into Wisconsin Public Schools Sexual Abuse Intervention Programs." Maricle and Dempze also presented their research at the National Association of School Psychologists Convention.

Miller Wins State Award

Judy Miller, Advisement and Career Centers, recently received the Wisconsin College Personnel Association Support Staff Recognition Award. The award is designed to show appreciation to one of the support staff members on campuses in Wisconsin, such as custodial, administrative assistant or food service employee. Miller was nominated for her outstanding service to the students and staff of Stout by the employees of the Advisement and Career Centers.

Moen elected to NCCI Council

Diane Moen, vice chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services, was elected to the Executive Council of the National Consortium for Continuous Improvement in Higher Education. Founded in 1999, NCCI was created to advance administrative and academic excellence in higher education by identifying, promoting, supporting and sharing effective organizational practices among member institutions. NCCI is a not-for-profit endeavor whose Executive Council members volunteer their time to advance its goals.

Promotions and tenure announced

Promotions in rank and tenure designations for faculty and staff members were announced following action by the UW System Board of Regents.

Promoted to professor are Abel Adekola, business; Marian J. Ellison, mathematics, statistics and computer science; Janette M. Hare, human development, family living and community educational services; Bharath M. Josiam, hospitality and tourism; and Louis Milanese, psychology.

Promoted to associate professor are Steven Deckelman, mathematics, statistics and computer science; Brian J. Finder, industrial management; and Forrest Schultz, chemistry.

Adekola and Finder also received tenure, along with Marc Kallsen and Sheri Klein, art and design; Robert Davies, hospitality and tourism; Howard Parkhurst, education, school counseling and school psychology; David Rosenthal, rehabilitation and counseling; Rajiv Asthana, Danny Bee and David Brenholt, technology; and Thomas Lacksonen, industrial management.

Schuler named to Who's Who

Robert Schuler, English and philosophy department, was recently selected to appear in the 56th edition of "Who's Who in America." Schuler also appears in "Contemporary Authors," "A Directory of American Poets and Fiction Writers," "The International Authors and Writer's Who's Who," "Who's Who in U.S. Writers, Editors and Poets," "2000 Outstanding Writers of the Twentieth Century," and "The International Who's Who in Poetry and Poets Encyclopedia."

A transformational year

The UW-Stout campus is virtually exploding with activity to begin the 2001-02 academic year—truly a transformational year in our university's history. We have made a very important, historic decision to require freshmen to have a laptop computer as part of the admissions eligibility for the fall of 2002. Within four years, all 8,000 students will have a portable computer—a challenging yet exciting requirement, for it will fundamentally revolutionize the way students learn and the way faculty teach. This will guarantee that our graduates will be among the best prepared in the country for 21st century professionals. This year will be the final push for faculty and staff training, appropriate preparation for the classrooms, and the final plans to have the best service possible to ensure the success of the program. We are partnering with Compaq, a world class, state-of-the-art company that brings its commitment and expertise to our campus.

If you have not been to campus in a while, be prepared for tremendous change in our physical plant. An incredible new recreation/athletic complex now rounds out the campus. The Don and Nona Williams Stadium is a magnificent addition to the south campus, and it is the best and most modern of any in Wisconsin. Millennium Hall, our fiber hub and distance education center for the campus, is not only attractive but very functional and very modern. New parking lots rim the campus and, probably for the first time in our history, we have good and adequate parking for faculty, staff and students.

While all of this is necessary and essential, the real excitement remains in the classroom, in the labs, and in the research by our talented faculty. We had two very important "firsts" last year—our first NSF grant of more than \$500,000, and our first grant from the American Heart Association. Stephen Nold and Scott Zimmerman, both relatively new staff members in the biology department, represent the kind of young, dynamic scientists we are attracting to campus—individuals who combine teaching and research in creative ways. They join the ranks of people such as Rajiv Asthana in the technology department and David Rosenthal in the department of rehabilitation and counseling—two outstanding scholars. Asthana recently received funding from the National Research Council/NSF in a collaborative effort with Professor Natalis Sobczak from Poland. Rosenthal's article, titled "Effects of Client Race on Clinical Perception and Judgment," was recognized as the outstanding article in the year 2000 by the American Rehabilitation Counseling Association. In addition, he was awarded the prestigious Switzer Fellowship for Merit from the U.S. Department of Education.

So you can see that our outstanding faculty are busy, the physical plant is changing dramatically, and the quality of our programs and our vision will continue to make this an outstanding university.

Chancellor's Message



Charles W. Sorensen

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Key administrative positions filled

ROSS D. OLSON has been appointed director of Budget, Planning and Analysis at UW-Stout. As director, Olson will be responsible for institutional research, studies and statistical management; financial planning and budgetary operations; facilities planning and capital budget; and organizational assessment and improvement.

Before coming to UW-Stout, Olson was the director of finance and administration, Information Services, for Northwest Airlines in Eagan, Minn. Prior to that, he served as a consultant in litigation and bankruptcy reorganization for Price-waterhouse Coopers in Minneapolis.

Olson received a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and statistics in 1987 and a master's degree in business administration in 1990, both from the University of Minnesota.

After working out East for more than 20 years, John Lui recently returned to UW-Stout, his alma mater, as executive director of the Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute. In the early to mid-seventies,

Lui earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in vocational rehabilitation at UW-Stout.

After graduating, Lui left for Massachusetts to run a hospital's rehabilitation center. Next, he joined a few of his colleagues and started his own practice in New Hampshire. Born and raised in Hong Kong, Lui has traveled all over the world to present his ideas on disability management, integrated care and total absence management.

SVRI houses four sub-units, the Research and Training Center, the Continuing Education Center, the Assistive Technology and Assessment Center, and the Projects with Industry Center. as an Emergency Medical Technician for the town he lived in. He also taught new ski patrollers and senior patroller candidates the medical skills they need. Currently, he is searching for a local ski hill where he can continue to volunteer.

"I enjoy skiing and the camaraderie between the team members. Also, working with ill and injured people is very rewarding," said Lui.

Wesley L. Face 1929 – 2001

Wesley L. Face, 71, died Aug. 30 at his home in Menomonie.

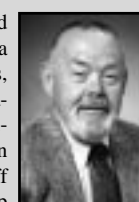
He received his bachelor's degree from Northern State College in 1951. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, honorably discharged in 1954. He taught high school industrial arts from 1954-56. He received his master's degree from UW-Stout in 1956 and his doctor of education degree from the University of Illinois in 1963. He joined the faculty at UW-Stout in 1957, where he served as department chair of the metals department in 1964, assistant dean of the Graduate College from 1966-69, vice president of Academic Affairs from 1970-73 and vice chancellor from 1973-1990. He also taught graduate courses in psychology and education from 1990-92.

He received the Outstanding Teacher Award in

1964; co-founded and co-directed the American Industry Project, a new approach to industrial arts, from 1963-69; co-chaired the National Convention for the American Industrial Arts Association in 1968; and received the James Huff Stout Distinguished Professorship Award in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Cyrilla; two daughters, Paula (Mark) Reeves of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Tamara (Gary) Bosiaci of Eagan, Minn.; four grandchildren; and one brother, Knolen Face of Forest Lake, Minn.

Memorials are requested to the Stout University Foundation or St. Joseph's Handicap Access Fund.



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