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For alumni and friends of
Dunwoody College of Technology



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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

One of the phrases I hear from alumni is they **achieved** success in life because they experienced the “Dunwoody Difference.” In business vernacular, the Dunwoody Difference is our value proposition. It is the answer to the question students think about in making their enrollment decision: “Why should I pay more than a state technical college for a Dunwoody education?”

In my mind, it is not hard to answer that question: Dunwoody has an outstanding faculty; we are committed to providing excellent student services and academic support; we have established business and industry partnerships in all of our programs; our students spend more time in a hands-on learning environment; and our graduates have a profound impact in their industries and in our community.

In this issue of *The Compass* you will find stories that show the Dunwoody Difference in action — from major changes in Welding Technology to a look at student organizations on campus to a list of the many companies who helped build Target Field that have ties to Dunwoody.

Now as my first year as president comes to a close, I’m pleased to report that we have made significant progress in recovering from the financial difficulties that beset us last year. It makes me proud to observe that the Dunwoody Difference holds true even when times are hard. Students leave the College ready to use the tools and best practices of their industry; ready to be hardworking, ethical employees; and ready to make a difference in our world.



Carlson Family opportunity for

From left to right: Dana Smith, Virginia Carlson, Serenity Sullivan, Mike Blamo, Bob Carlson and Amy Carlson.

The idea for the Robert W. Carlson Family First Class Scholarship started with a family tour.

“I wanted my family to understand why I have such a passion for Dunwoody,” said long-time Dunwoody trustee and contributor, Robert (Bob) Carlson. “So I took them on a tour of both the College and the Academy. We had no preconceived notions of doing anything, but we all came back very touched by what we saw and asked ourselves what we could do to make a difference.”

The result was the Carlson Family First Class Scholarship, which granted two Dunwoody College scholarships to deserving graduates of Dunwoody Academy High School who plan to attend the college. Mr. Carlson, his wife Virginia, their daughter Dana Smith and daughter-in-law Amy,

recently met the first two recipients, Serenity Sullivan and Mike Blamo at a lunch the Carlsons hosted in the board room of Quadion Corporation, where Mr. Carlson serves as chairman of the board. The Carlsons were as impressed with Serenity and Mike as the students were with Quadion.

“They are very impressive young people,” says Mr. Carlson, “and are excellent examples of what’s possible if you work hard enough. Serenity told us that in her first year at the Academy, she took three buses just to get to school each day from her home in St. Paul. That’s remarkable.”

Mike will be starting the Graphic Design program at Dunwoody this fall, while Serenity begins work on a degree in Automotive Collision Repair. Both enter

We still have much to do, and as I have mentioned in the pages of *The Compass* before: I am committed to improving the quality of our academic programs and keeping our standards high.



Rich Wagner, President

I'm grateful for the faculty, staff, alumni and industry partners who continue to work hard to ensure that our students receive the best technical education around. Together, we create the Dunwoody Difference. Stay committed. Be proud. We are Dunwoody!

Larry Raasch's Dunwoody family

How does a New Orleans kid end up at Dunwoody? **Larry Raasch** (1977, Architectural Drafting & Estimating) was born in Chicago and grew up in New Orleans, but he still had family ties to the College — his parents were both from Minnesota and his dad had wanted to attend Dunwoody but wasn't able to because of his military service in World War II. And so when Larry's cousin Steve came to New Orleans for a visit and mentioned that he was going to attend Dunwoody, Larry decided that was the right idea for him as well.



Larry Raasch, owner of Prime General Contractors

Here at Dunwoody, Larry found that his instructors made him feel at home. In particular, he was fond of instructor Gordon Beneke. Larry said, "He is the teacher I admire most in my whole life. Dunwoody taught me how to be on time, that you always do your job, and that you follow the ethics of the field. Gordon never wavered on ethics, and in construction, ethics is really important."

After graduation, Larry was hired by Fabcon. There he found another Dunwoody family — many of the company's employees were also alumni. Then he went to work for Kraus Anderson as a project manager/vice president and found the same welcoming and Dunwoody-influenced atmosphere. In fact, Larry says that at one time Kraus Anderson was home to approximately 80 Dunwoody grads.

Larry very much enjoyed working at Kraus Anderson, but in 2005, he decided to start his own company: Prime General Contractors. He was pleased to find that his employers were supportive of the idea. "Kraus Anderson admires and respects people's ambitions," he said. Prime has 10 employees and specializes in corporate, medical and senior home buildings. Three of its staff, including Larry and his partner Gregg Paschke, are alumni.

But that's not all: between cousins and brothers-in-law, there are eight other Dunwoody graduates in Raasch's extended family. In addition, his daughter Kristina is a 2008 graduate in Interior Design, and his son Kyle is a 2005 graduate in Electrical Construction and is currently working on a diploma in Construction Estimating.

With all the connections to Dunwoody, it's no wonder that Larry has been an active part of the Alumni Association's Board of Managers since 1998, including work on the campaign to increase donations from small businesses and as chair of the fundraising committee. He completed his term as president of the Board on July 28, 2010.

Scholarship provides Dunwoody Academy graduates

Dunwoody with college credits they earned while taking Dunwoody College courses during their high school career.

Mike and Serenity both starred in the classroom, but they earned their scholarships based on criteria that reach beyond academics. "I thought it was very important that we look beyond grade-point-average and consider what happens outside the classroom," said Dana Smith. Virginia Carlson agreed, "Community service and mentoring younger students are very important to us and that's why we made it a requirement for scholarship recipients. I'm very pleased with the work that Mike and Serenity have done." It was also important to Amy Carlson that the scholarships go to people who would benefit the most. "I wanted to make sure that we were providing an opportunity to students who might not otherwise get to go to college."



Welding students Joe Humrickhouse (left) and Jason Ellis replace the feed wire on one of the new Powerwave welding units.

Welding alumna Mindy Heinkel (left) uses a handheld grinder while Senior Instructor Mark Carter evaluates her technique.

Welding Technology

When Mark Carter, Senior Welding Instructor, talks about the changes that have occurred in Welding Technology over the past two years, his eyes light up with enthusiasm.

“We’ve had huge growth,” he said. “And we completely re-did the lab.” Simple statements, but they contain within them a massive amount of effort.

In summer 2008, Welding Technology engaged in a Kaizen event (Kaizen is a Japanese term that means “change for the better” and comes out of the continuous quality improvement movement). Instructors and students did a major clean-up of the lab space, eliminating anything that was waste. That was followed over the next few months by:

- A fresh coat of paint
- The repairing and cleaning of equipment
- A review of curriculum to make sure the courses in the program complement each other
- The acquisition of new welding machines
- New gas lines fed by cost-saving gas mixers
- An overhaul of the welding booths

It was a good time for Welding to up its game. Fueled by media reports of jobs still to be found in welding (including a

WCCO piece on Dunwoody’s program that ran in January 2009), the program soon saw a major increase in applications. It is now averaging 55 students in the program in any given quarter.

Welding runs on a different schedule than the majority of the College’s programs, which are primarily focused on two-year associate of applied science degrees. Students in Welding finish in three quarters (that’s nine-and-half months of instruction). That means students cycle through fairly quickly and instruction and recruiting has to keep up a steady pace.

When students graduate, they find positions in a number of sectors, for example with manufacturers of aluminum and stainless steel products, companies that service gas and oil pipelines, and other manufacturers. But really any company that does any sort of fabrication or has equipment to repair could need a welder. For example, alumna Mindy Heinkel found a position with UPS working with their conveyer systems.

One of the key improvements to the program was the acquisition and installation of Powerwave C300 welding units. The machines use pulse metal inert gas (MIG) technology along with a wire feed technique for the filler wire. This means that welders can weld in all positions and can weld faster. Students are trained in cutting and welding using oxyacetylene, shielded metal arc, gas metal arc

Welding across Dunwoody

One of the advantages of having a Welding program at the College is that it provides instruction in skills that are useful to students in other programs.

FOR EXAMPLE:

- **Automotive Collision Repair and Refinishing** students take **Introduction to Welding and Advanced Welding** since some bodywork requires welding techniques.
- **Electrical Construction and Maintenance** students learn basic welding skills so they can do metal fabrication for custom jobs.
- **Heating and Cooling** Students take a welding course specifically designed for them since part of their skillset includes fabricating fittings and pieces for use in heating and air condition systems.



Mark Falconer serves on the Dunwoody Alumni Association's Board of Managers.

Industry Partner: Minneapolis Oxygen

When it came time to buy new welding machines, Welding Technology had the help of alumnus Mark Falconer, president of Minneapolis Oxygen, and his staff.

Because Minneapolis Oxygen is a key supplier to many welding companies, it has a longstanding relationship with Lincoln Electric, which manufactures the Powerwave C300 portable welding units Dunwoody's Welding program was looking to buy.

"My staff knew this project was important to me," Mark said. "We worked with Lincoln Electric to get the right equipment in place and a financial plan that would work for both sides."

Founded in 1947, Minneapolis Oxygen distributes industrial and medical gasses and welding products, filler metals and safety products. It has three Twin Cities metro locations and one in Duluth. It supplies products to a wide variety of industries in addition to welding, including healthcare, food and beverage, chemical and semiconductor companies.

Dunwoody employees often talk about how the College's industry and alumni ties are an asset to our students. The still shiny, still cutting-edge Powerwave C300 units in the Welding Technology lab are just one more proof that this is the case.

burns bright and steady

and gas tungsten arc units. They also learn blueprint reading and welding standards and fabrication.

One unique thing about the new Powerwave C300 units is that they can be hooked up to a laptop, which then records data related to the weld, such as arc length and gas flow rate variation. This data is very useful for quality control and meeting ISO standards. The same program can also be used to calibrate the settings and parameters of the welding unit.

Mark Carter is already looking to the future of the program. He is hoping to be on the ground floor of augmented reality training programs, where students will be able to learn in a virtual environment. "It would be like a video game," he said. "With a screen in the welding helmet that interacts with a gun with a sensor and reacts to the pressure and settings the student uses."

Mark thinks that welders will need to also learn robotics programming and quality control to round out their skillsets as certain welding jobs become more automated. That doesn't mean, though, that the core skill that Dunwoody has been teaching for decades will go away. There will always be jobs for a steady hand and a keen awareness of how fire and metal meet to create bonds that are strong.

Faculty Profile: Austin Lutz

When **Austin Lutz** joined Dunwoody College as an instructor in Automotive Technology three years ago, he was right back where he wanted to be.



“I always loved Dunwoody a lot and wanted to give back and be part of it,” he said. “And I always wanted to teach.”

After Austin graduated from Dunwoody’s Automotive Service Technician program in 2002, he worked full-time in auto shops while continuing to go to college. “Dunwoody helped me pay for the rest of my education,” he said. He also discovered while working that he had a knack for mentoring the newer auto techs, thus confirming his desire to teach.

Austin earned a two-year liberal arts degree from Normandale and then went on and completed a bachelor of science in agriculture and food business management from the University of Minnesota. He worked for 9 months for a firm in Wisconsin, selling diesel fuel and propane to Wisconsin co-ops, but when a position in Dunwoody’s Automotive Technology department came open, he successfully applied and now teaches basic electrical to first and second quarter students in the Automotive programs.

He also acts as faculty adviser for the College’s Student Government Association (SGA). “I was in student government when I was a Dunwoody student,” he said. “And I joined Phi Theta Kappa at Normandale. I’ve always felt that such organizations are very positive to the student experience.”

Austin facilitates monthly student government meetings and provides support to SGA officers. He coaches them in leadership, organizational, planning and budgeting skills. He is proud of the increased involvement in student organizations this past academic year and heartened to see enthusiasm for extracurricular activities grow — Dunwoody went from about six active student groups in the 2009 school year to 14 in 2010. He hopes that number continues to grow and that there is continuity across academic years so momentum is maintained.

“We want to create a community,” he said.



The 2010 class of
Phi Theta Kappa

SPOTLIGHT ON **student organizations**

Extra-curricular activities are becoming a more important part of the Dunwoody experience for many students. By getting involved, students strengthen ties with each other that carry into the classroom and as they graduate and enter the workforce. They also provide opportunities to learn leadership skills, serve the community, learn more about the profession they will enter, and simply socialize and have fun.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Dunwoody’s Student Government Association (SGA) is a member of the American Student Government Association. Officers are elected by the student body. They work to improve the student experience at the College and engage in community service activities. For example, last spring they put together a group of students, faculty and staff to work for an afternoon at the Minnesota nonprofit Feed My Starving Children. SGA officers also plan the Fall Fling and Spring Block Party events which are the main social events for students during the academic year.

PHI THETA KAPPA (PTK)

Dunwoody is home to the Beta Lambda Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, the national honor society for students from two-year colleges. The College’s chapter was chartered in 2003. Last year, the chapter won a Pinnacle Award for success in recruitment of new members by inducting a total of 155 members.

STUDENT CLUBS

Student clubs allow students from all programs to find common areas of interest and pursue them. Student clubs at Dunwoody include the Dunwoody Team for the Midwest Robotics League, Electronics Club, Gay Straight Alliance, Hockey Club, Multi-Cultural Student Union and Technology Club.

STUDENT CHAPTERS OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Dunwoody is host to student chapters of several professional associations including Association of General Contractors (AGC), Association of Information Technology Professionals (AITP), National Association of Home Builders (NAHB), Professional Association for Design (AIGA) and United States Green Building Council (USGB). The College also sponsors a SkillsUSA team.

Congratulations graduates!

Dunwoody College graduated more than 600 students this year, with the largest number (about 410) participating in one of the three spring quarter ceremonies held June 10-11. Here's a glimpse of the Friday, June 11, afternoon celebration:



New electrical grads Jim Stenstrom and Charde Evans are all smiles.



Dan Grider (pictured below talking to a graduate), 1962 Air Conditioning, an entrepreneur from Sioux Falls, SD, spoke at the Friday afternoon graduation ceremony. He encouraged graduating seniors to dream about what they want to be in life. He said, "When you finally achieve your dream, whatever it may be, it will often take many years of hard work, and experiencing failure. When you've succeeded in one dream, don't stop. Go on to another dream, and another."

Karen Schmitt (second from left), Dunwoody Senior Electrical Instructor, with new graduates Allen Walock, Jesse Howey and Aaron Sellnow. Karen completed a Bachelor of Science in Applied Management, summa cum laude, from Dunwoody. She holds a master's electrical license and is a member of Minneapolis Electrical Union IBEW Local 292.



"It's important to keep your goals practical and flexible. I didn't step into my ideal career immediately after college, and I don't feel like I failed at all. I just had to alter my goals and change my view of what makes me successful. I now look at everything I've done up to this point not as a failure, but simply a path that has led me to where I am today."

— Adam Knebel, 2010 Electrical graduate and Friday afternoon student speaker



The Dunwoody *connection*



The Minnesota Twins brought outdoor baseball back to the Twin Cities when they moved in to Target Field earlier this year. But they also demonstrated how much a part of the community the College is. Many of the hands that built the ballpark acquired their expertise right here at Dunwoody. And not only that, but together they brought the project in ahead of schedule.

Here is a list of companies who helped build the stadium who employ Dunwoody graduates and/or are led or owned by alumni:

Anderson Iron Works Inc.
Berwald Roofing Co.
Carciofini Co.
Collins Electrical Systems Inc.
Grazzini Brothers & Co.
Gunnar Electric Inc.
Hanson Structural Precast Midwest

LeJeune Steel Co.
Metro Manufacturing Inc.
Metropolitan Mechanical Contractors Inc.
Mortenson Construction,
General Contractor
Mtec Electric Inc.
NewMech Cos. Inc.

Olympic Wall Systems Inc.
Parsons Electric
Phasor Electric Co.
Shaw/Stewart Lumber Co.
Swanson & Youngsdale Inc.
Thor Construction Inc.
Veit & Co.

We want to recognize key contractors and suppliers who employ Dunwoody graduates and/or are alumni-owned or operated. If your company has been inadvertently omitted, please accept our sincere apologies and bring the oversight to our attention by contacting Becky Seemann at (612) 381-3057.

to Target Field

MORTENSON CONSTRUCTION

Mortenson Construction served as the general contractor on the \$425 million Target Field project.

“This is an exciting moment for Twins baseball and the state of Minnesota,” said John Wood, senior vice president at Mortenson Construction. “We’re excited to hand over the keys to this beautiful new ballpark more than two months early, and we thank everyone who worked together toward the goal of making it happen.”

Eric Kloss, Senior Estimator and a 1999 Dunwoody graduate in Architectural Drafting and Estimating, said, “It was an amazing job for me as a project estimator. I’m also a Twin’s fan and when I now go to a game in the new ball park, I find myself telling friends and family about the phases of construction, and what it was like to keep a tight sequencing schedule. Timing was critical because the ball park is located in a tiny part of the city between I-394, two bridges and railroad tracks, plus the light rail expansion was in progress at the same time.”

Mortenson not only employs Dunwoody alumni, it also was founded in 1954 by alumnus M. A. Mortenson Sr.

METRO MANUFACTURING INC.

Jim Fox, president Metro Manufacturing Inc., said,

“It was fun to work with Mortenson. We provided the stairs for the ball park.”

Jim has been on the Dunwoody College Board of Trustees for 20 years and actively involved in the College’s Facilities Committee. He said that employees who attended Dunwoody are always exceptional.

PARSONS ELECTRIC

Parsons provided low voltage technology systems for the Twins stadium, which included voice and data infrastructure, and broadcast, sound and security systems.

“Mortenson Construction and the Twins organization were especially helpful in bringing us together as a community for the project,” said Wendy Boosalis, vice president of technologies. “At the time of construction, most trades in the region were significantly down in work, and this project provided employment for a large number of people. It was a nice thing to have happen. It is a fabulous facility and most Parsons’ employees believe it was the project of a lifetime.”

50-Year Club and Legacy Luncheon

Dunwoody College welcomed the Class of 1960 into the 50-Year Club at a May 12 event held on campus. The luncheon also recognized alumni from the 1930s and gifted them with a Dunwoody baseball cap. Alumni reminisced about their school days and some were even able to reconnect with their instructors.

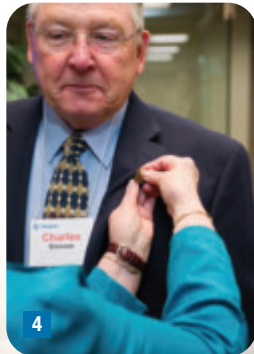
1 A great group of 1960 alumni were welcomed into the 50 Year Club.

2 Retired faculty and staff reconnect with each other and some of their students.

3 Student recipient Adam Knebel, Electrical, is grateful to receive help with his tuition thanks to a scholarship gift from 50-Year Club members.

4 Class of 1960 alumnus Chuck Erickson receives his Dunwoody 50-Year Club pin.

5 Students had fun learning from senior alumni what Dunwoody used to be like.



President Rich Wagner speaks at the 50-Year Club and Legacy Luncheon.





Ralph and Mildred Reber

A legacy to support technical education

Ralph Lick and Mildred Leona Reber strongly believed in the value of technical education. When the Rebers passed away (in 2006 and 2004 respectively), they showed their appreciation by including a bequest of \$100,000 in their will designated to help manufacturing students at Dunwoody College, where Ralph had once been a student.

Originally from Pennsylvania, Ralph attended Dunwoody’s Mechanical Drafting and Estimating program in 1951 and before that served as a radio school instructor in the Army Air Force from 1942 to 1946. He also studied at Pennsylvania State University and South Dakota College before entering Dunwoody. Thanks to this training and experience, he enjoyed a successful career as a mechanical designer in the manufacturing field for several companies including General Mills. Mildred graduated from Central High School in Minneapolis, the same school where Dunwoody initially opened in 1914. She dedicated her working years to Investors Diversified Services (IDS). Ralph and Mildred were married for 49 years.

The Ralph Lick and Mildred Leona Reber Endowed Scholarship Fund will provide three \$1,500 scholarships annually to second year students in Manufacturing programs at Dunwoody. Establishing a scholarship fund is a way for the Rebers to say thank you for all that Ralph benefited from his Dunwoody training, and a way for them to continue to make a difference in their community. Their generous gift will touch the lives of students who come to Dunwoody every year, just as Ralph did, looking for direction and opportunity. **Dunwoody is forever grateful for their significant leadership gift.**

Consider a legacy gift to education

The Dunwoody Legacy Association is a group of people who want to help provide young men and women with a Dunwoody education, through a provision in their estate plans. To learn about ways to make a meaningful gift to future generations, please contact Becky Seemann at (612) 381-3057 or bseemann@dunwoody.edu



Treasury Secretary Geithner visits Standard Heating & Air Conditioning

Standard Heating & Air Conditioning co-owners Ted and Todd Ferrara rolled out the welcome mat in January for U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Tim Geithner (pictured in the front row, fourth from the left), who met with their employees and toured the new Minneapolis headquarters. Standard Heating & Air Conditioning, an 80-year old company and fourth generation, family owned heating and air conditioning contractor, was selected to represent what is working well in America’s small business sector.

According to Ted Ferrara, 1977 Refrigeration alumnus and Dunwoody Board of Trustee member, “We had a meaningful dialogue with Mr. Geithner. He asked about our concerns and what message we wanted him to take back to Washington. We shared that we are seeing a better business climate emerging and are in an anticipatory hiring mode. We let him know that our financial needs are being met through our banking partner Sunrise Community Banks.”

Todd Ferrara, 1980 Sheet Metal alumnus, said, “As we embark on a new decade, it’s also a new era for our business. Secretary Geithner’s interest in our company is a wonderful acknowledgement of our commitment to investing in our employees, the community and contributing to the economy.”

In Memoriam

Dunwoody extends its sympathies to the families and loved ones of the following alumni and friends who have passed away:

Albert J. Amundson
1942 General Machine Shop
December 30, 2009

Jerome Atkinson
1950 Electrical Construction
December 1, 2009

Amanda A. Bergstrom
2007 Electrical Construction &
Maintenance Technology
January 3, 2010

Robert A. Botten
1962 Electronic Systems
Technology
February 12, 2008

Robert A. Briese
1960 Electrical Construction
March 16, 2009

Byron Bromley
1952 Electrical Construction
November 21, 2009

John B. Carlisle
1953 Printing and Graphics
Technology
December 4, 2004

Donald A. Carlson
1939 Welding
January 4, 2010

Robert L. Chivers
1955 Baking
August 1, 2009

William J. Cruse
1941
December 28, 2009

Kenneth Cruze, Sr.
1940 Welding
January 15, 2010

Robert F. Dalzen
1934 Automotive Service
Technology
October 30, 2000

Charles L. Dirlam
1936 Electrical Construction
February 18, 2010

Albert P. Domagall
1949 Automotive Service
Technology
November 10, 2008

Clayton M. Elstad
1928 Electrical Construction
January 16, 1999

Werner O. Ernst
1950 Printing and Graphics
Technology
August 31, 2009

Alvin E. Franke
1947 Baking
December 8, 2009

Alver R. Freeman
1939 Air Conditioning
November 3, 2002

Robert R. Gehrke
1957 Electronics Technology
December 31, 2009

Richard S. Genetti
1941 Machine Tool
Technology
September 11, 2009

Eugene Gerth
1961 Building Construction
November 22, 2009

Raymond G. Heaser
1953 Automotive Service
Technology
March 3, 2010

Robert W. Hefte
1948 Air Conditioning
June 20, 2009

Mark Hoseth
1900 Computer
July 10, 2004

Howard L. Imme
1948 Architectural Drafting &
Estimating Technology
December 26, 2002

John M. Iversen
1960 Electrical
December 10, 2009

James E. Jansen
1955 Civil Technology and
Land Surveying
December 27, 2009

William D. Kangas
1953 Architectural Drafting &
Estimating Technology
February 16, 2010

William E. Knotts
1978 Electrical Construction
December 2, 2009

Raymond L. Labiszak
1951 Baking
December 11, 2009

William B. Lepsch
1960 Printing Graphics
Technology
January 13, 2010

Richard M. Love, Jr.
1960 Civil Technology and
Land Surveying
February 17, 2010

Kenneth E. Lukes
1952 Carpentry
August 8, 2009

Donald L. Marsh
1976 HVAC
February 16, 2010

Peter P. Melanson
1975 Baking
October 11, 2007

Charles G. Metcalf
1951 Machine Tool
December 18, 2009

Carl L. Nelson
1948 Automotive Service
Technology
December 28, 2009

Philip E. Niemeyer
1960 Electrical
January 7, 2010

Lloyd Nordling
1960 Advanced Oil Burner
February 18, 2010

James R. Olson, Sr.
1960 Electrical
February 15, 2010

Kenneth Pelzel
1965 Electrical Construction
August 24, 2009

Cyril A. Perschau
1936 Automotive Service
Technology
December 29, 1996

Roy H. Reher
1948 Power
August 8, 2009

Kenneth A. Schacht
1941 Engineering Drafting &
Design Technology
January 18, 2010

Ernest S. Schubert, Jr.
1960 Baking
January 23, 2010

Lawrence Seekon
1960 Electrical Construction
October 6, 2009

Osmo Anderson, Baking, passed away Sept. 3, 2009. His daughter, Nancy Sommer, recognized her father with a brick for the Alumni and Friends Walkway. She said that her father continued to bake bread until two months before he died at 92. He lived a full life with 60 years of marriage.



Gordon Schuster, 91, passed away on Friday, July 24, 2010. Gordon was a Dunwoody alumnus who graduated in 1939 in Engineering Drafting & Design. He was a recipient of the Dunwoody Alumni Achievement Award and a former member of the Dunwoody Alumni Association Board of Managers for many years. Gordon and his wife were long-time benefactors of the school and established the Patricia and Gordon L. Schuster Endowed Scholarship Fund to support students in pursuit of technical education. Schuster was retired chairman and owner of Timesavers, Inc.

Benjamin T. Sieckert

1948 Air Conditioning
December 31, 2009

Robert Simmons

1951 Automotive Service
Technology
December 6, 2009

David D. Smith

1974 HVAC Systems Servicing
February 1, 2010

Donald J. Smolley

1940 Air Conditioning
December 23, 2009

Aaron R. Stigen

1964 Refrigeration
February 12, 2008

Bertrand H. Strandlund

1949 Automotive Service
Technology
December 25, 2009

Raymond Streuber

1941 Printing
December 24, 2009

Eugene F. Sturm

1942 Printing
February 17, 2010

Floyd M. Swanson

1949 Automotive Service
Technology
September 23, 2009

Ruben W. Thielke

1947 Automotive Service
Technology
August 16, 2009

Dean R. Twedt

1948 Air Conditioning
January 23, 2010

Andrew D. Verbeck

1969 Architectural Drafting &
Estimating Technology
February 25, 2009

Rudolph Vierath

1934 Electrical Construction
June 26, 1993

Delmer L. Weaver

1950 Electrical Construction
January 12, 2010

Roger A. Wilson

1958 Automotive Service
Technology
January 6, 2010

2003

Andhi Michaux, Computer Networking, was recently promoted to Senior Human Resource Generalist at Black River Asset Management.

1980

Michael Ptak, Electrical Construction, is a journey wireman with Union 292 for Muska Electric and has been married for 28 years. He has two grown daughters.

1976

Herb Rhoden, Automotive, recently returned from a second Iraq tour.

1972

Billy Binder, Automotive Service, says that it is a bit of an irony that he focuses his interests on non-motorized alternatives in an effort to reduce greenhouse gases and U.S. dependence on foreign oil. Binder, an activist in helping construct bike lanes in Hennepin County, wants to make downtown Minneapolis safer for bike riders and pedestrians by getting bikes off the sidewalks onto bike lanes. In April 2010, Bicycling magazine recognized Minneapolis as the #1 bike-friendliest city in the country.

1969

Wayne Hoops, Automotive, has enjoyed 40 years of continuous employment in the automotive field. Wayne says, "I attribute my success to my Dunwoody education. Keep up the good work and thank you!"

Al Wussow (left), Machine Tool, and **Art Freidrich**, Architectural Drafting



and Estimating, met at Dunwoody for lunch and a tour. The two attended Dunwoody in 1969 and both remember working in the cafeteria, but they never knew each other when they were in school. They met two years ago in Rochester and have been friends ever since. Al retired four years ago from a career in maintenance with the Mayo Clinic. Art owns Friedrich Construction, an excavating and septic system company in Rochester.

1960

Wilbert Lammi, Civil Tech and Land Surveying, is now retired and lives along the Kettle River near Moose Lake, MN. He spends his time bowling, cross-country skiing, four-wheeling, deer hunting and following the Gophers, Vikings and Twins. He enjoys nature and wildlife and works to maintain many miles of wooded trails along the river.

1959

Bob Maeser, Automotive Service, celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary to Marlene by renewing wedding vows in February 2010.

Harland Vitalis, Highway, Railroad and Municipal Construction, enjoyed a 35-year career with the State of Minnesota. Now retired, he keeps active helping his daughter Michelle and likes to garden, fish, swim and wood work.

1957 AND 1950



Larry and Sunny Houg (left) and Loren and Pamela Case.

Alumni often comment about how much they appreciated their Dunwoody instructors. Recently

Loren Case, 1957 Automotive, reconnected with his former instructor **Larry Houg**, 1950 Automotive. Loren worked for Northwest Airlines until retirement and lives in Roseville, MN. Larry is now retired and lives in Clearbrook, MN.

1956

Ronald Grutt, Architectural Drafting and Estimating, enjoyed his 41-year career with the (Soo Line) Canadian Pacific Railway in the Engineering department.

1954

Darrell Brommer, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, sold his business and is now retired from Conrad Sheet Metal, a 45-year-old HVAC contracting company located in Bloomington, IL.

Garnett Deters, General Mechanics, from Eitzen, MN. Since retiring, Garnett enjoys volunteering and wintering in Green Valley, AZ.

1950

Richard V. Franzen, Surveying and Highway Construction, is running for Minnesota Secretary of State in 2010.

1941



Wally Sherard, Air Conditioning and retired employee of John A. Dalsin and Son, gave Dunwoody his collection of drafting tools and books including his slide rule. Until 1996, Wally did drafting and estimating and wrote some manuals that Dunwoody instructors recognized as valuable resources in the commercial roofing industry. Wally lives with his wife Mary in Bloomington, MN.

1940

Reinard Linde, Mechanical Drafting and Estimating, had a great week! On May 12, Reinard came back to see his school and attend the Dunwoody 50-Year Club Lunch. Two days later, on his 95th birthday, he flew in a four-seat Piper Cherokee with friend and pilot Doug Hughes. Reinard is passionate about airplanes and most scientific and mechanical devices. He is a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association.

1939



William Bruegger, Machine Tool, who is retired and 90, enjoyed a visit from first year Dunwoody Machine Tool students (left to right: Jake Paul, Dan Klas, Russ Hager, Steve Nelson). Bruegger recently donated his antique lathe, a model from about 1915, to Dunwoody's Manufacturing program. After he attended Dunwoody in 1939, he went into the Army, fought in the South Pacific and earned a Bronze Star. After the war, he returned to Minnesota and ran a farm-implement dealership for 40 years in Plainview, MN.

1934

Edward Kolinski, Electrical, enjoyed 43 years with Northern States Power, retiring as maintenance supervisor. Now 95 years young, he is a 73-year member of IBEW Local 160. Ed and his wife Mary celebrated their 71st wedding anniversary on June 20.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 16 Evening of Recognition
- 21 Dunwoody Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament at Legends in Prior Lake
- 24 Duluth Alumni and Friends Gathering

OCTOBER

- 13 Kate Dunwoody Women's Luncheon

NOVEMBER

- 4 Fall Quarter Scholarship Reception

Golf Scholarship Recipients... Where are they now?

Jeremy Williams received a \$1,000 scholarship in 2007 from the Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament as an Electrical Construction & Maintenance student. Jeremy said, "The scholarship really helped me make ends meet and concentrate on my course work." Jeremy graduated from Dunwoody and went on to earn a bachelors degree in Career & Technical Education from the University of Minnesota where he also worked in their Facilities Management Department. Jeremy is now working for Dunwoody in the Gateway program helping students overcome barriers to success. Jeremy is also getting married this fall.





Seventh Annual Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2010 | LEGENDS GOLF CLUB, PRIOR LAKE, MN

Gather your foursome and join us at Legends Golf Club for a great time. Don't miss this opportunity to reconnect with former classmates, network and enjoy a day of golf.

Tournament Schedule

Registration	11:30 a.m.
Shotgun Start	1:00 p.m.
Awards Dinner	6:00 p.m.

Registration Fee

\$125 per person (includes range balls, box lunch, cart and green fees, and dinner)

Dunwoody Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament Sponsorship

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