

# THE Compass

A newsletter for alumni and friends of Dunwoody College of Technology



▲ John Adamich is recognized for initiating Dunwoody's College Automotive Program (CAP). Presenting the recognition is Chuck Bowen, automotive department director (left) and Dunwoody president, Dr. Ben Wright (right).

## DaimlerChrysler Furthers Educational Opportunities

It is no secret that students receive hands-on training at Dunwoody. DaimlerChrysler supports this learning tactic as well. That is why, in an effort to enhance automotive services to customers in the metro area and provide more educational opportunities for future automotive technicians, DaimlerChrysler has donated a 2004 Dodge Durango and a 2005 Chrysler 300C to Dunwoody's DaimlerChrysler College Automotive Program (CAP). And that's not all. In addition to a \$10,000 grant received by Dunwoody in March 2004 from the DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund, DaimlerChrysler has donated over \$25,000 in tools and equipment this past year.

Donations made by DaimlerChrysler help to ensure that DaimlerChrysler owners will continue to receive the best automotive care possible when serviced by trained technicians at DaimlerChrysler dealerships nationwide. These donations also allow for the recruiting and potential placement of specialty trained technicians who are familiar with

DaimlerChrysler products. "This donation by DaimlerChrysler guarantees that the technicians we train gain the necessary experience to meet the immediate needs of customers promptly and efficiently," commented Charles Irwin, manager of vocational education for DaimlerChrysler-National. "Customers and technicians alike have much to gain from this donation. It provides further educational opportunities for technicians and helps offer DaimlerChrysler customers a positive ownership experience."

Along with DaimlerChrysler's support, CAP is also receiving support from the Metro Area Dodge Dealers by providing the program with a 2004 Dodge Ram 2500. John Adamich, treasurer of the Metro Area Dodge Dealers was the driving force in securing Dunwoody's use of the Dodge Ram. John is a 1954 graduate of the Automotive program and the owner of Dodge of Burnsville. John recently joined the Alumni Association's Board of Managers and serves on the board's marketing committee.

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## Dunwoody Celebrates Founder's Week

On December 14th Dunwoody kicked off the celebration of Founder's Week with a birthday bash to honor founder William Dunwoody and his wife, Kate, as well as the school's 90th anniversary. Over 800 students, staff, and faculty participated in the party where they enjoyed ice cream and cake and took in some entertainment by Live Band Karaoke out of Chicago, Ill. Activities were planned throughout the week along with trivia questions on the history of Dunwoody and prizes to boot. On the 15th, a 90th celebration competition was held where students and faculty were



able to show off some very creative projects that depicted the theme of Dunwoody's 90th birthday. First-year students in the HVAC Design program won this competition with their design of a 90th year medallion. The week ended with a visit from Governor Tim Pawlenty, who broadcast his morning radio show on WCCO live from Dunwoody's McNamara Center.

### ▲ 90th Year Competition Winners

First-year students in the HVAC program took first place in the competitions with their design of the 90th medallion. Representing the class are: L-R (back) John Wallin, John Smith (front) Don Rasmusson, Mike Hallas, and instructor, George Youngvorst.

► In a closing celebration to Founder's Week, Governor Tim Pawlenty broadcast his morning radio show live from Dunwoody's McNamara Center which included an interview of Dr. Ben Wright, Dunwoody president.



## A Visit from the Governor

Governor Tim Pawlenty did a live broadcast of his morning radio show which aired on WCCO 830AM from Dunwoody's McNamara Center on Friday, December 17, 2004. Before the one-hour show, the Governor declared December 17th as "Dunwoody Day" in Minnesota in honor of the college's 90th anniversary. Numerous faculty, staff, and students participated in the live broadcast during the portion of the show where members of the audience were asked different trivia questions. Dr. C. Ben Wright, president of Dunwoody, presented Governor Pawlenty with a Dunwoody hat and jacket and was also interviewed during the radio show.



## Giving to the Future

**Jack Lake** is a 1960 alumnus who understands the importance of giving to the future. Jack was running a crane and bulldozer in Alaska's Aleutian Islands when he heard about Dunwoody from a friend. He was in his early 30's and had decided to pursue a new career. He wanted to work in the refrigeration field, so he left Alaska for Minnesota and enrolled at Dunwoody. In looking back, Jack remembers working his way through school by attending classes for six months, working the next six months



and then back to classes again. He finally finished three years later in Dunwoody's evening program.

Dunwoody's strong hands-on emphasis stands out the most for Jack — that and the memory of meeting his wife, Hedy. Jack was working at Sears in the hardware department during this time and Hedy was a bookkeeper there. After graduation, Jack did just what he had set out to do — he enjoyed a successful, 28-year career in refrigeration that included working for the University of Minnesota and several refrigeration companies while also being a member of the Pipefitters Union #539.

"Because Dunwoody helps people get a start in life to make a good living and do something useful, I have included Dunwoody in my will. I want to give back for all I gained from my training and do something to help others prepare for their future. I've also invested in the school through charitable gift annuities. I think they are the best thing around because you receive interest income at a good rate and get a break in taxes. I want to encourage others to look at the benefits of giving in this important way."

Dunwoody is very grateful to Jack for his generous support and friendship as he serves as a model for other Dunwoody alumni.

**As Dunwoody celebrates** this special 90th anniversary year, we welcome you to consider your own personal legacy to help future generations of Dunwoody students. Please consider becoming a member of the Dunwoody Legacy Association by including the school in your will or estate plan, or by investing in a life income gift such as a charitable gift annuity.

Once considered a tool of only the financially elite, charitable giving, as part of estate planning, is now embraced by people from every walk of life. You don't

have to be wealthy to be a philanthropist. You don't need abundant resources to show you care. A charitable component to your estate plan can make a significant difference that will help Dunwoody continue its tradition of training men and women for another 90 years.

We invite you to learn more about how to make a charitable gift in your estate plan. Contact Becky Seemann to discuss bequests and other gift planning options such as trusts and annuities. Call 612-381-3051 or 800-292-4625; email [bseemann@dunwoody.edu](mailto:bseemann@dunwoody.edu).

## Dunwoody Scores High in Placement

Dunwoody's 2004 Spring Graduate Placement Report is in and the numbers are looking good! Of the 20 programs with spring graduates, 17 had 100% placement with 11 of the 17 obtaining 100% placement related to their training. Dunwoody's overall placement is 99% and 92% overall when it comes to placing students in their respective fields of study. Maybe the most impressive numbers when it comes to placement at Dunwoody are the number of employer requests per graduate the college averages; four requests per graduate was the average.

## Dunwoody's Board of Trustees Welcomes New Chairman

Bruce Engelsma, chairman of the Board and CEO of Kraus-Anderson Companies, Inc., was recently elected as the new chairman of Dunwoody's Board of Trustees. Engelsma, who was initially elected to the Board in 1994, takes over where former chairman, Larry Taylor, left off.



▲ Larry Taylor (left), former chairman of the Board of Trustees, "hands off" his duties to new chairman, Bruce Engelsma at the Board of Trustees meeting held on October 5, 2004.

## Piazza Family Starts New Tradition

Marilyn and Paul Piazza of Robbinsdale, MN are the proud parents of two Dunwoody graduates, Richard and Paul, Jr. Richard is a recent graduate (June 2004) of the Computer Networking Systems program and Paul, Jr. is a 1996 graduate of the



▲ Marilyn and Paul Piazza

Architectural Drafting & Estimating program. The Piazza's also have a daughter, Frances, who is currently studying for her masters in education.

Last summer, when Richard graduated from Dunwoody, Marilyn and Paul wanted to celebrate his graduation in a way that was meaningful to their family. So, the

Piazza's made a gift to Dunwoody in Richard's honor. This gift, however, was only the beginning of their support. Through the Piazza's third-generation family-owned business, Minnesota Produce, they have now pledged to support the school monthly. They have narrowed their family philanthropy to focus on education and to support the schools that mean something to their families.

The Piazza's have learned the value of giving from Paul, Sr.'s father and they want to continue his tradition, as well as pass it on to their children. They feel fortunate to have been able to provide opportunities for their own children and want to give back to a school that not only educated their two sons but was also attended by uncles and cousins. And since Minnesota Produce

is near Dunwoody, they consider the school part of their neighborhood. As it turns out, the Piazza's hope of passing tradition on to their children is coming true; their son Richard is currently a volunteer at Dunwoody as a tutor for students in the Networking program.

## General Mills Contributes Major Support to Capital Project

Dunwoody received a generous contribution of \$400,000 from The General Mills Foundation in December for campus improvement projects. The projects include a new Student Success Center that will house tutoring and supportive services for learning. This marks the second time in the last ten years that General Mills has made an extraordinary gift to the college. General Mills has been a long-time contributor to the college by virtue of a relationship that goes all the way back to William Hood Dunwoody, a partner of Washburn Crosby, the forerunner to General Mills. In 1989, General Mills was awarded Dunwoody's Partnership Award in recognition of its long history of support to the college. Dunwoody trustee Enrique Rotstein, senior technology officer at General Mills, said, "Our continuing support for the Dunwoody initiative is based on a simple realization: we invest in our community through Dunwoody. Dunwoody delivers."

## Looking for a Hassle-Free Way to Make your Gift?

You are now able to make a monthly contribution to Dunwoody through our new automatic withdrawal program. Just like a gym membership or other monthly expense, you can now automatically deduct your gift to Dunwoody monthly from a checking or savings account. And with automatic withdrawal, it's easy to increase your gift! For example, if you currently make a \$25 annual gift and switch to \$5 a month through the new automatic withdrawal program, your usual annual gift will be more than doubled! And as little as \$10 a month will make you a member of the Dunwoody Century Club as you annual gift will be \$120. Contact Mary Meador at: 612-381-3048 to set up your monthly withdrawal today. **The first 25 donors to set up an account will receive a FREE Dunwoody t-shirt!**

**Does your company have a matching gift program? Many companies do, you just have to ask! Contact your human resources department for the forms and instructions for Dunwoody to receive the match.**



# SECOND ANNUAL Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament



Come out for this wonderful opportunity to reconnect with former classmates, network, make new friends and enjoy a day of golf!

## Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005

### EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!

Register by May 1st and SAVE \$15 off your registration fee!  
Registering with a group? Each member of your group will also receive \$15 off his or her registration fee as long as all fees and participant names for your group are received by May 1st.



**\$100 Per Person**

*includes golf, golf cart, lunch, and awards dinner*

11:30 am . . . . .Registration and Lunch

1:00 pm . . . . .Shotgun Start

18 Hole Scramble Format

5:30 pm . . . . .Awards Dinner



15240 113th Avenue North  
Maple Grove, MN 55369  
[www.sundancegolfbowl.com](http://www.sundancegolfbowl.com)

## REGISTRATION

- ☐ Single Golf Entry - \$100      ☐ Threesome - \$300  
☐ Twosome - \$200                ☐ Foursome - \$400
- ☐ I am unable to attend but would like to make a donation to the Dunwoody Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament Scholarship. My donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- ☐ I am interested in becoming a sponsor.  
*Additional information regarding sponsorship will be sent.*

### PAYMENT

Total Amount: \$\_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Check Enclosed  
*(Made payable to Dunwoody College of Technology)*

☐ Charge my:    ☐ VISA    ☐ MasterCard    ☐ Discover  
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### MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

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Department of Development & Alumni Relations  
ATTN: Melissa Harrison  
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Minneapolis, MN 55403

### QUESTIONS?

Contact Melissa Harrison at 612-381-3056 or email [mharrison@dunwoody.edu](mailto:mharrison@dunwoody.edu)

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## LUNCHEON HELD FOR THE WOMEN OF DUNWOODY

The Women of Dunwoody held its first luncheon of the year on October 21st. The guest speaker for this event was Michelle Garb, a comedian from Pasadena, CA. Over 100 female students, faculty and staff attended the luncheon where a range of topics were covered from eating disorders to body image and self-esteem issues. The luncheon gave female students the opportunity to interact with other female faculty and staff and gain insight on issues geared towards their interests and concerns. The Women of Dunwoody was established at Dunwoody as an advocacy group for female students to provide them with training, coaching, mentoring, and networking opportunities. Luncheons such as these are held each quarter.

**Lance Whitner** was the student speaker at the graduation ceremony for fall 2004 graduates held on December 3, 2004. Lance is a 37 year old man in the Electrical program. He is a good example of how determined Dunwoody students are to succeed. Here are some excerpts from Lance's graduation speech:

*"I am 37 years old and the oldest of five children. My mother was a single parent and as a single parent she faced many difficulties. In spite of my mother's hard work, I like many other young teenagers was influenced by my peers. I got involved in some very serious trouble.*

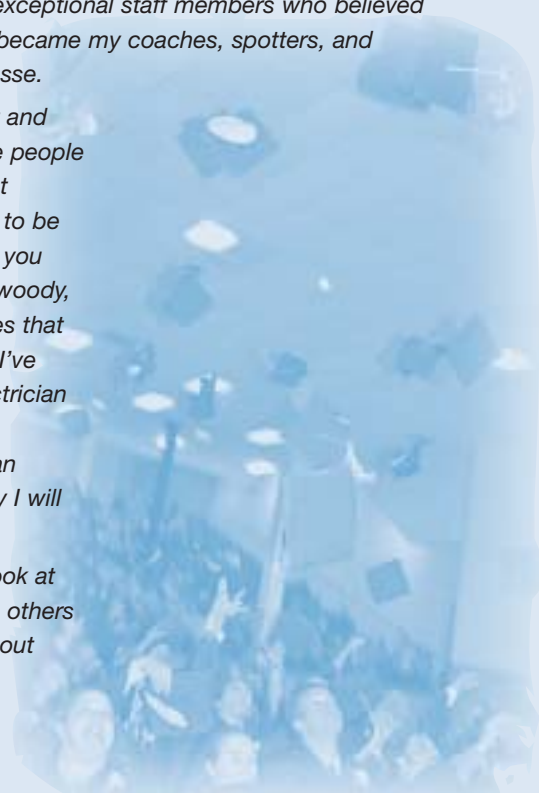
*As time went on, I said, 'I'm going to choose change because if I don't this will never end.' I found employment, got married and began to live the family life. But, I was still feeling anger and unfortunately, my family suffered because of this; my wife and I separated.*

*I enrolled myself into an anger management class. At one event there was a speaker from Dunwoody. He was extremely committed to helping people change their lives and because of that, I committed myself to him. I then met a second Dunwoody counselor who had high praises for the Electrical Construction program and its staff. I had no idea what electricians actually did, all I can say is that I was just determined to change my life. So I enrolled and was accepted into the Electrical program but never realized how hard it would be! I became discouraged and withdrew from the program. I quit my job and left town. The following school year I came back and told my counselor I was ready to try again. She was glad I had come back and so were my instructors.*

*Life outside Dunwoody was still there and it was hard to concentrate and stay focused. It has not been at all easy. I struggled daily because of the many issues in my life that needed to be dealt with. The Electrical program became my springboard that offered a refuge, opportunity, and a chance to be educated by one of the best institutions in the country. There were two exceptional staff members who believed in me more than I believed in myself. They became my coaches, spotters, and cheerleaders: Jay Brennecke and Joe LaCasse.*

*Dunwoody cares about every student and works with people from all walks of life. The people at Dunwoody find ways to help students get through the tough times when there seems to be no way out. But staff can only do so much; you have to do the rest. Since I've been at Dunwoody, I've had many experiences and opportunities that I would not have had if I had not attended. I've worked side by side with Jeff Keljik, an electrician extraordinaire. I have also worked for Steve McGregor, an alumnus of Dunwoody, also an electrician. I am still learning today. One day I will be a great electrician just like they are.*

*Before we leave today, take a good look at each other and appreciate each other. Help others to be the greatest; we cannot be great without great people around us."*

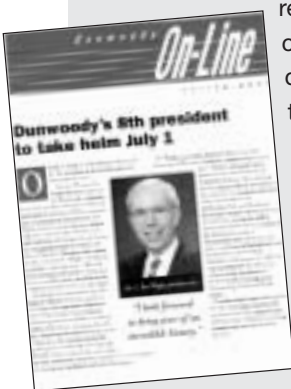


## THE COMPASS RECOGNIZED BY CASE

Dunwoody's alumni relations department recently submitted *The Compass* to the 2004 Pride of CASE V District Awards Program in the category of "Most Improved Tabloids and Newsletters." The Compass was awarded the Bronze Certificate at the District Conference held in Chicago, Illinois, in December. CASE, the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, is a professional organization for advancement professionals in alumni

relations, communications, and development. More than 3,000 colleges, universities, and independent elementary and secondary schools from all over the United States make up CASE's membership making

*Dunwoody's newsletter "before" the re-design of the current publication The Compass.*



it the largest nonprofit education association in terms of institutional membership. The CASE V District includes schools from Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. This was the first year for the Pride of CASE V Awards and the first time *The Compass* has been submitted to an awards competition.

## WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICA'S TEACHERS

Dunwoody's 90-year reputation has been carried on the shoulders of its quality instructors—practitioners in their chosen fields, each with a passion to share the principles of excellence and the mindset of success. Suzanne Nordblom is just one example of an instructor that

exemplifies this passion. This past June, she was nominated by her students in the Architectural Drafting & Estimating program for "Who's Who Among America's Teachers" for having a significant impact in their lives and education.

As director of Dunwoody's Center for Design Technologies, Suzanne Nordblom continues to teach in the classroom. She lavishes her students with real-life experience through team projects and juried competitions officiated by some of the best professionals in the field. To teach building structures and architecture, she takes her students out of the classroom to local construction sites and architecturally rich cities like Boston and Chicago. She also advises student groups such as Phi Theta Kappa and participates in the National Women in Construction's mentoring program, Women in the Workplace.

Twelve years ago, while still running her architectural design firm, Nordblom & Associates, Suzanne started teaching as an adjunct instructor for Dunwoody's Architectural Drafting & Estimating program. By 1998, she had scaled back her practice and was teaching at Dunwoody full-time. Suzanne has recently retired from her practice but continues to take on special projects and stay active in her field.

Dunwoody is proud to have instructors like Suzanne Nordblom. She, along with other instructors, helps Dunwoody exceed students' expectations and according to her students, helps to make a difference in their lives.

## GRAPHICS & PRINTING TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM EARNS RECOGNITION

On October 26th, the Graphics and Printing Technology program was recognized by the Electronic Document Systems Foundation (EDSF) with the foundation's 2004 Excellence in Education award for Innovation in Post Secondary Education. The award, sponsored by Hewlett-Packard, was presented to Pete Rivard, an instructor for the program, at Xplor International's Annual Conference in Dallas, TX. The 2004 Excellence in Education awards were presented at the EDSF's annual recognition dinner attended by members from 17 different countries. These awards honor academic and industry organizations for innovative programs that support industry and prepare future and current professional for careers in the field of document communication. Programs nominated reflect leading-edge technology and address current industry needs. Dunwoody's program was nominated for the Innovation in Post Secondary Education award by DST Systems in Canton, MA. The program was cited for its rapid evolution of both curriculum and facilities to meet changing industry conditions, in close ties with industry, and its establishment of the Print Services Center.

This award is the Graphic and Printing Technology's first international award unrelated to its repeated recognitions in the flexographic industry, delivering on the program instructors' promise to the Board of Trustees in 2002 to establish a best-in-class program in both the packaging and digital printing areas.



## NEI Alumni Center Now Open

On Tuesday, October 19th, Dunwoody held a reception for the grand opening of the NEI Alumni Center. John Slama, dean of the NEI Center and Mark Skipper, director of development and alumni relations, worked closely with Talla Skogmo, current Dunwoody Board of Trustees member, to preserve the memories and historical pictures of NEI for the new alumni center. The purpose of the NEI Alumni Center is two-fold: to preserve NEI memories and to be used as a gathering place for NEI alumni for meetings, reunions, and get-togethers. It is designed to be a place where NEI alumni may come and feel "at home" in a place all their own. If you would like to check out this new area or for more information, please call John Slama or Mark Skipper at: 612-374-5800.





Sue Bennett, host of this year's luncheon, and Dr. Ben Wright, Dunwoody president, pose for a picture with the female students invited to the Kate Dunwoody Luncheon. Pictured (L-R): Andrea Anderson, Sarah Bishop, Sue Bennett, Melissa Trobaugh, Crystal Rosas, and Dr. Ben Wright.

## Kate Dunwoody Luncheon

The 4th Annual Kate Dunwoody Luncheon was graciously hosted by Sue Bennett at her lovely home in downtown Minneapolis on Wednesday, September 22nd. Four female Dunwoody students were invited to the luncheon along with some of Dunwoody's female contributors and friends of the college. The four students shared their experiences of the school and their respective programs with all

of the ladies in attendance. The Kate Dunwoody Scholarship was created in conjunction with this annual event and this year's scholarship was awarded to Melissa Trobaugh, a first-year Electrical Construction student. Andrea Anderson, Sarah Bishop, and Crystal Rosas were the three other female students in attendance at this year's luncheon.

## John A. Butler Library Photo Archive

In celebration of Dunwoody's 90th anniversary, alumni and friends are now able to see over 250 historical Dunwoody images online. The John A. Butler Library Photo Archive is now available for viewing at: [http://www.dunwoody.edu/90th\\_Ann/butler/default.asp](http://www.dunwoody.edu/90th_Ann/butler/default.asp)

## 12th Annual Legacy Luncheon

The 12th Annual Legacy Luncheon was held on October 6th to recognize and bring together alumni and friends who have made plans for Dunwoody in their estate plans. Attendees of this year's event heard the inspirational stories of three Dunwoody students. Four new members were inducted into the Legacy Association this year making a combined total of 13 new members during the present and immediate past school years. If you would like to join the Legacy Association, or for more information, please call Becky Seemann at: 612-381-3051.

## SAVE THE DATE!

Be sure to save the date for these upcoming alumni events!  
For more information, contact Melissa Harrison at: 612-374-5800.

### 1ST ANNUAL 40-YEAR CLUB REUNION

Dunwoody has done it again—another reunion club! This year will mark the beginning of the 40-Year Club. Planning has already started for this event to be held **May 3, 2005**. If you last attended Dunwoody or NEI between the years of 1956-1965 then keep a watch for more information to come on this new event.

### 2ND ANNUAL ALUMNI & FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Over 76 alumni and friends came out for the 1st Annual Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament last year. But if you missed last year's tournament, there's still time to get in on the fun! Join us for a day of golf among friends at

Sundance Golf in Maple Grove on **Friday, September 16th**. Lunch is provided along with an awards dinner following the tournament. Be sure to register early in order to save \$15 off your registration fee. *See the flyer on page 5 for more details.*

### 4TH ANNUAL 25-YEAR CLUB REUNION

On **Thursday, April 21st**, Dunwoody will host the 4th Annual 25-Year Club Reunion. The casual, evening event is a great opportunity for alumni who have last attended Dunwoody or NEI between the years of 1966-1980 to come together for a night of good conversation and memories. Alumni are encouraged to bring a guest and enjoy some comedic entertainment

and food with old friends—and you may even make some new ones!

### 28TH ANNUAL 50-YEAR CLUB LUNCHEON

Hard to believe it has been 28 years since the 50-Year Club began and it is still going strong! Join us on Tuesday, May 17th for the 28th Annual 50-Year Club Luncheon held in the McNamara Center at Dunwoody College. This event is for Dunwoody and NEI alumni who last attended either school during 1955 or earlier. Alumni may bring a guest to this luncheon event and entertainment will be provided. Keep your eyes open for an invitation for this great event.

**Do you have a great story to tell? Have you recently been married? Had a baby? Retired? Received a promotion? Moved? Send any and all alumni news updates and/or pictures with captions to: [alume-newsletter@dunwoody.edu](mailto:alume-newsletter@dunwoody.edu) or Dunwoody College Alumni Relations, Attn: Melissa Harrison, 818 Dunwoody Blvd., Minneapolis, MN 55403.**

## 1934

**Harvey Felber**, Electrical Construction, spent 33 years at Northwest Airlines working his way from a bench radio mechanic to Avionics maintenance management. Harvey received a Certificate of Appreciation from the National Avionics Society for his extensive contribution to the enhancement of safety through Avionics. Harvey and his wife Florence celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on November 16, 2004.

## 1956

**Gayle Basford**, Auto Electrical, has been volunteering with his church and enjoys making CD recordings. He retired from Dunwoody in 1999 as the director of Financial Aid.

## 1958

**Herbert Josephson**, Machine Tool, is now retired and enjoys fishing, hunting, and traveling.

## 1962

**Ray Hildreth**, Automotive, is getting ready for retirement. He has been working for 42 years, 20 of which he has owned his own business. Ray's grandson is now attending Dunwoody.

## 1963

**Robert Pirkil**, Automotive, is a mechanic for the city of Owatonna in the street department.

## 1964

**David Anenson**, Machine Tool, is retired but working part-time for Garland Organs building pipe organs. David

enjoys playing golf and spending time with his three grandchildren.

## 1974

**Dale Nordquist**, Electronic Systems Technology, was named to the Board of Directors of Waters Instruments, Inc. in November. Dale is currently the senior vice president of sales and marketing at Winland Electronics, Inc. in Mankato. Nordquist's appointment fills a new position on the Board of Directors for Waters Instruments, Inc. and Jerry Grabowski, president of the company is "excited to have someone with his level of sales and marketing experience join our Board."

## 1990

**Christina (Berg) Aguirre**, Architectural Drafting & Estimating, gave birth to Emilio Cristian Aguirre on

August 9, 2004. Emilio was 8 pounds 4 ounces. Big brother Antonio is 3 and excited to have a brother to play with. Christina and husband Michael are licensed realtors with White Oaks Real Estate, LLC working with clients in English and Spanish. Christina also works for Burnet Title as a closing coordinator. Christina's grandfather, Lloyd J. Berg, attended Dunwoody for Building Construction and she says he was her inspiration for pursuing an education here at the college.



## 1996

**Jeffery King**, HVAC Design, was recently married to Jody Collis on January 1, 2005. The couple wed at St. Andrew Church in Eden Prairie, MN.



The **General Mills' GMI Dunwoody Alumni Networking Group** stopped by the 90th anniversary archives during their November 22nd campus visit. Pictured left to right are: Tim Weiss, 1983 Refrigeration, mechanical systems specialist; Perry May, department manager, James Ford Bell & Riverside Shop; Victoria LaBau, training manager; Julie Sachs, 1998 Machine Tool Technology, desktop support analyst; Ken Witbeck, 1973 Automotive Services Technology, maintenance mechanic; and Enrique Rotstein, senior technology officer, products & process technology—dough and Dunwoody Board of Trustees member.

## In Memoriam

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

**Carlson, Headvig**  
2002

**Carlson, Stanley L.**  
1937 Automotive Service  
Technology  
November 5, 2004

**Clasen, Floyd G.**  
1933 Printing and Graphics  
Technology  
August 4, 2004

**Dahlquist, O.A.**  
1948 Architectural Drafting &  
Estimating  
August 29, 2004

**Ernste, Randy J.**  
1988 Electrical Construction  
January 1996

**Foard, Lois**  
Friend of Dunwoody  
October 11, 2004

**Fuchs, Leander P.**  
1949 Automotive Service  
Technology

**Hatten, Daniel L.**  
1969 Carpentry

**Holstein, Fred W.**  
1935 Electrical Construction  
March 1, 2004

**Hoo, Earling K.**  
1970 Electrical Construction

**Jeffery, William A.**  
1963 Electrical Construction

**Johnson, Ronald M.**  
1946 Architectural Drafting &  
Estimating

**Kelly, James E.**  
1947 Electrical Construction

**Koch, Theodore A.**  
1956 Architectural Drafting &  
Estimating

**Kretzmann, Harlan W.**  
September 13, 2004

**Lovegren, Curtis W.**  
1970 Electrical Construction

**Mattson, Gustave A.**  
1946 Baking

**Neth, George R.**  
1947 Machine Tool  
Technology  
October 1, 2004

**Rogholt, Marvin**  
1949 Machine Tool  
Technology  
October 10, 2003

**Salay, Eugene A.**  
1933 Electrical  
September 4, 2004

**Schofield, Donald**  
1946 Baking  
January 12, 2005

**Schultz, Robert E.**  
1958 Architectural Drafting &  
Estimating  
October 21, 2004

**Silcott, John S.**  
1938 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
2001

**Soeffker, E E A.**  
1949 Air Conditioning  
February 19, 2002

**Stuvland, Laurence**  
1947 Automotive Service  
Technology

**Sullivan, Leo P.**  
1940 Engineering Drafting &  
Design

**Therres, Robert J.**  
1955 Automotive Service  
Technology

**Zander, Donald E.**  
1957 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
October 1, 2004

## GENERAL MILLS HOSTS ALUMNI BREAKFAST

Throughout the year, Dunwoody and companies in the metro area put on "mini-reunions" for the employees working for these companies that also happen to be Dunwoody or NEI alumni. General Mills hosted such a reunion on September 15th. A light breakfast was served and a few comments were made by senior technology officer of General Mills, Enrique Rotstein. Dr. C. Ben Wright, president of Dunwoody, also made a couple of comments to the alumni in attendance about the current happenings at the college. These "mini-reunions" are great networking opportunities for alumni and a good way for companies in the area to get a glimpse of the new program happenings and technologies at Dunwoody. If your company is interested in putting together one of these "mini-reunions" please call Melissa Harrison at: 612-374-5800.

**Peggy DeVries** passed away on October 15, 2004. Peggy was a valued staff member at Dunwoody working as assistant to the vice president of academics and a great friend to those who knew her. She worked at the college for three years. She enjoyed going to the Walker for lunch in the spring and summer and despite her illness, always maintained a positive attitude. Peggy had been a teacher, journalist, and folk dancer for much of her life. Peggy will be missed by the students, staff and faculty.

**Beverly Johnson** passed away on November 1, 2004. Bev was also a valued staff member at Dunwoody, coming over to the school after the merger with NEI College of Technology where she worked for three years. She had a great sense of humor, an infectious laugh, and a wonderful sense of caring for those around her. Bev spent much time researching her genealogy and was very proud of her heritage. She had been the owner of ABC Services for 15 years and the owner of Hollywood Theater for four years. She had also been the office manager for Berger Amusement Company for 19 years. She will truly be missed.

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## Calendar of Events

*Be sure to save the date for these exciting upcoming events!*

### MARCH

8 M.A. Mortenson Alumni Gathering  
Golden Valley, MN

**Unless otherwise noted, events listed will take place on Dunwoody's campus at 818 Dunwoody Boulevard, Minneapolis.**

11 Winter Graduation

16 Career Jam 2005

21 Spring Quarter Begins

### APRIL

21 25-Year Club Event

27 Alumni Board of Managers  
Quarterly Meeting

### MAY

3 40-Year Club Reunion

17 50-Year Club Luncheon

### JUNE

15 Summer Quarter Begins  
NEI Alumni & Friends Picnic

### JULY

27 Alumni Association Annual Meeting  
Alumni Board of Managers Annual Meeting

### SEPTEMBER

7 Fall Quarter Begins

16 2nd Annual Dunwoody Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament  
Maple Grove, MN

**For information on a particular event, contact Dunwoody at 612-374-5800 or 1-800-292-4625. Or e-mail us at [alume-newsletter@dunwoody.edu](mailto:alume-newsletter@dunwoody.edu)**

