



**Dunwoody**  
COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

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# THE Compass

A newsletter for alumni and friends of Dunwoody College of Technology



## New Dunwoody High School Opens

Tyaira Hayden-Williams, dressed in her new school uniform with her “1st Class” backpack on, mingled with other Dunwoody Academy students during an ice breaker on August 6, 2007. It was her first day at the Academy, a new charter school sponsored by Dunwoody College of Technology. Hayden-Williams, a 10th-grader, is excited about her possible career choices by attending the Academy and by having the opportunity to continue her studies at Dunwoody College of Technology. “I am interested in Computer Technology and a career of combining Computer Technology and Music. I came to Dunwoody Academy because I believe that the choices you make today will affect your tomorrow. I know that the sky is the limit for me.” The school, located on Olson Memorial Highway in north Minneapolis, is now open to over 150 students in ninth and 10th grades. What was once a dream of the senior leadership team and the Board of Trustees at Dunwoody College of Technology has now become a reality.

Dunwoody Academy will provide technical education to Twin Cities youth under the platforms of Manufacturing,

Construction, Automotive and Health Care. The intent is to provide applied hands-on learning that is consistent with Dunwoody College’s way of teaching.

“This is a historic day in Minneapolis,” commented Robert Doty, Dunwoody’s senior vice president and chief financial officer, as he addressed the Academy students on their first day. “The idea of Dunwoody Academy was birthed at Dunwoody College of Technology to create awareness and increase diversity—to provide a technical education that is available to all students no matter their race or creed, as stated in William Hood Dunwoody’s will. We are so proud of you and proud that you are now part of the Dunwoody name.”

Dunwoody Academy will serve students in grades nine and 10, adding grades 11 and 12 respectively over the next two years. Tuition is free and students have been accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Through education at Dunwoody Academy, students will be able to realize their potential and secure employment opportunities upon continuing and completing programs at an accredited technical college, such as Dunwoody College of Technology.

**Turn to page 2 for additional pictures from the  
first day of school at Dunwoody Academy**



▲ Eric Mahmoud, start-up director of Dunwoody Academy, has provided leadership since the school opened its doors this August. "Dunwoody Academy will transform lives. It is our job to ensure that these young adults become successful individuals as well as successful students."

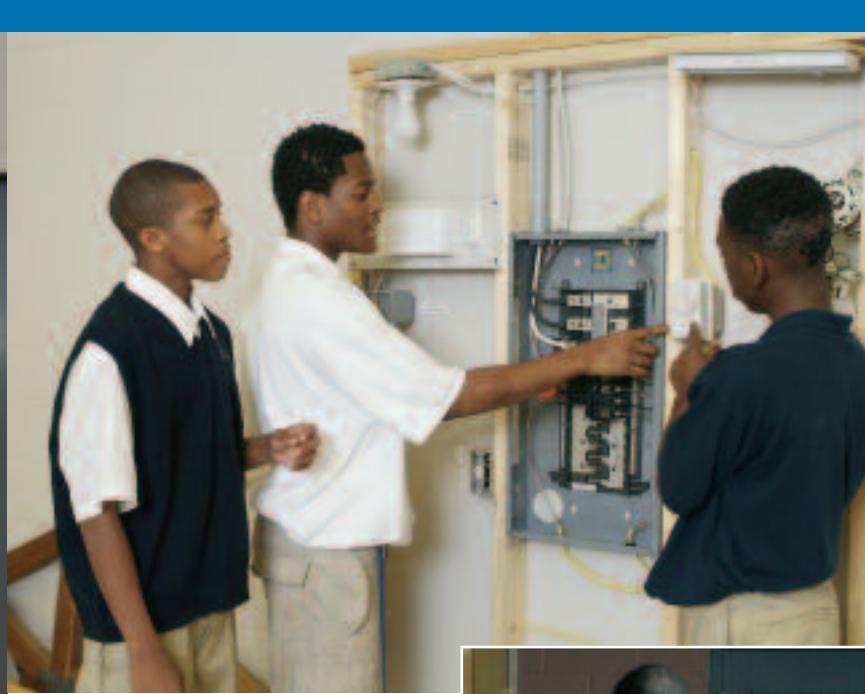
▲ Students at Dunwoody Academy will be exposed to hands-on technical education in the areas of Manufacturing, Construction, Automotive, and Health Care. Instructors like Ms. Leigh Lunde (pictured above, second from left) have experience in these fields and are there to give students real-life experience and exposure. Lunde believes that Dunwoody Academy "will provide outstanding opportunities for young people that they wouldn't find in other schools."

## DUNWOODY ACADEMY

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## POWERFUL IDEAS

"You are sitting in someone's idea and ideas are powerful. You have an idea of where you want to go and that makes you first-class." This statement was made by Eric Mahmoud, start-up director of Dunwoody Academy, as he addressed students on their first day. The new Academy shares a building with Seed Academy/Harvest Preparatory School, which serves students from preschool through grade six. In 2008, a middle school that will be math and science driven will be added to the facility. The culmination of all these schools will create a "pathway to prosperity" that these students need and deserve.



▲ Tyaira Hayden-Williams, a student at Dunwoody Academy, participates in a learning activity at the whiteboard. Tyaira is part of a group of students that is excited about organizing a student council for the Academy. She attends steering committee meetings during her lunch period, along with other interested students, to develop procedures and expectations for student government officers.

▲ The latest technology and equipment will be provided to teach the students at Dunwoody Academy the practical skills they will need as they relate to the field. Students will be exposed to real-life situations and will be given the tools needed to negotiate problem-solving techniques.



▶ All Dunwoody Academy students were provided with "1st Class" backpacks from Robert W. Carlson, Jr., chairman of Quadion Corporation and a long-time member and former chair of Dunwoody's board of trustees. These backpacks will be used to carry the students' laptops.



## WILLIAM HOOD DUNWOODY'S DREAM CONTINUES

The initial concept of Dunwoody Academy arose from three main ideas: to increase diversity at Dunwoody College Technology, to follow the direction of William Hood Dunwoody's will by "providing a place where youth without distinction of race, color or religious prejudice, may learn the useful trades and crafts," and to provide a place of hope for the youth of Minneapolis.

With over 93 years being in the forefront of technical education, Dunwoody College of Technology is proud to support the birth of this new charter school. During his address to the students of Dunwoody Academy, Dr. C. Ben Wright, Dunwoody College president, had this to say: "You are not only the first class of students to enter Dunwoody Academy, but you are first-class. Over 300,000 students have been educated at Dunwoody College of Technology and you are now part of this great institution—you are part of the family."

## FUNDING FOR DUNWOODY ACADEMY

**As a charter school, Dunwoody Academy is a public school that receives federal and state funding dependent on the amount of students enrolled.**

**These dollars go to support the general operation of the school. In order to become a truly outstanding institution, the Academy will raise extra private funds for items such as equipment, technology and other up-to-date learning resources and materials for its students. The Academy has launched a \$1 million start-up campaign with over \$550,000 raised to date from corporations, foundations and individuals. For more information on this campaign, contact John Chandler at: (612) 381-3061.**



# PARTNERSHIPS BRING SUCCESS: Dunwoody and the Construction

**D**unwoody values its partnerships with industry and establishes its programming to reflect the needs of those working in the field, staying on top of the latest technologies. Dunwoody has long had a connection with those in the construction industry through programs that have evolved over the years, companies who give of their time and money to the college, and successful alumni who work in the field.

**“The construction workforce in the Twin Cities is among the most productive in the country. I think the fact that many of these workers were educated at Dunwoody is one reason for that. Dunwoody values help to instill a strong work ethic.”**

— BRUCE ENGELSMA,  
CEO OF KRAUS-ANDERSON  
COMPANIES, INC.

**Dunwoody’s Architectural Drafting & Estimating program** is unique because it delivers a hands-on learning approach to students in drafting and estimating. According to those in the industry, it is important for students to have a handle on estimating as it relates to project management. Students in the Architectural Drafting & Estimating program are critiqued by real architects in the field, giving them real-life experiences through the projects they participate in. Compared to others, Dunwoody’s program stands out because students:

- Are taught hand drafting as well as Autocad
- Use the latest technologies such as Revit and BIM (building information modeling) that are current industry trends
- Move together through their classes, like a small community, getting to personally know one another and the instructors in the program
- Are provided with free tutoring and one-on-one counseling should they need it



▲ Spring quarter Architectural Drafting & Estimating students make presentations of class projects to instructors and industry partners.”

Instructors in the Architectural Drafting & Estimating program not only teach, but practice in industry, some as registered architects.



# Industry

**Dunwoody's Construction Supervision program** is designed to train students for specific jobsite supervision and project management skills. It is a program that is unique because it offers classes that are specifically designed for students to learn the basics of on-the-job work that they will be supervising in the work place. Not only do students learn technical hands-on training, but they also leave the program with basic management skills in accounting, cost control, safety and financial management, basic construction law, and personnel management. Specific technical courses students in the program study include:

- Concrete and steel technology
- Structural engineering
- Project scheduling
- Site and soils engineering
- Surveying
- Mechanical and electrical systems
- Material and methods

Some of the first graduates from Dunwoody's program have gone on to become field engineers, assistant superintendents, safety directors and project managers.

**"Dunwoody has provided tremendous service to the construction industry by preparing young people for industry. The Construction Supervision program is outstanding and a benefit to our entire industry."**

**— MORT MORTENSON, CHAIRMAN AND CEO OF M.A. MORTENSON COMPANY**



▲ Pictured (L-R) are: Bruce Engelsma, CEO of Kraus-Anderson Companies, Inc.; Dave Semerad, CEO of the Associated General Contractors of Minnesota; and Mort Mortenson, chairman and CEO of M.A. Mortenson Company.

**Leaders from many Twin Cities' construction companies met in March at Dunwoody for an industry briefing to discuss the status and future direction of the school's construction programs. Since 1914, Dunwoody has played a critical role in preparing men and women to fill skilled jobs in the construction industry. Attendees were invited by Bruce Engelsma, Chairman and CEO of Kraus-Anderson Companies, Inc.; M.A. Mortenson, Jr., Chairman and CEO of M.A. Mortenson Company; and Dave Semerad, CEO of the Associated General Contractors of Minnesota.**

**"Dunwoody graduates are everywhere in our industry, performing for many companies at all levels, from laborer to CEO. Dunwoody graduates lead and get results; that is what sets them apart from the rest."**

**Dave Semerad, CEO of the Associated General Contractors of Minnesota**

## it's an **alumni** reunion for

- » **Architectural Drafting & Estimating**
- » **Building Construction**
- » **Carpentry**
- » **Painting & Decorating**
- » **Civil Technology & Land Surveying**

held on

**Thursday, October 25, 2007**

**Open house at 10:00 a.m.**

**Lunch and program at 11:00 a.m.**

**Tours at 12:30p.m.**

**Come see what is new in  
your program...**

**Listen to an industry speaker...**

**... And reminisce with  
fellow alumni**

**Watch for your invitation in September.**

For more information, contact Sarah Brown at:  
(612) 381-3056 or [sbrown@dunwoody.edu](mailto:sbrown@dunwoody.edu).

## Making History at DJ Kranz

**Don Schroden** grew up in northern Minnesota on a farm near St. Cloud. After taking a drafting class in high school, he became interested in the architecture field and enrolled in a vo-tech school. But, when Schroden asked his teacher, "when will we get to the architectural drafting classes?" and the response was, "we don't have those here," he left and went to Dunwoody for Architectural Drafting & Estimating, graduating in 1971.



Schroden's first job out of college was at Capp Homes, a precut home builder. They would put together lumber and frame homes that the home owners would then finish. After three years, he wanted to try something new. Schroden took a job with Jesco in the commercial concrete and masonry industry. It was there that he met the owner of DJ Kranz at the time, Corky Elsen, and when Schroden was laid off from Jesco six months later, he joined DJ Kranz and has been there ever since, now 31 years.

Schroden started as a project manager for DJ Kranz in 1976. Over the years Schroden has grown with the company, moving to vice president ten years ago and as of three years ago, part owner of the company. Larry Elsen, president and majority owner of DJ Kranz, is also a Dunwoody graduate. "We appreciate that Dunwoody provides the training that they do to its students and we like the long tradition of excellence that the college has provided over the years," commented Schroden during a recent interview.

Don Schroden is a valued Dunwoody alumnus and volunteer. Over the years he has served on the Dunwoody Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament Committee, has been an Annual Fund Team volunteer, and participates with others in the construction industry in efforts to drive success during Dunwoody's Good to Great Campaign. He is married and has two sons in college, a step-daughter who is married and some wonderful grandchildren. He and his wife live in Minnetrista where they enjoy golf, snowmobiling, shooting and traveling.

## DJ Kranz Co., Inc.

**DJ Kranz Co., Inc.** is a general contractor that provides services in construction management, preconstruction, construction services and building design management for commercial projects. The company, originally founded in 1928, provides private negotiated work and has long-standing relationships with companies such as North Memorial Medical Center, Luther Automotive, and Morrie's car dealerships. It is also the general contractor to build the new hospital in Maple Grove, MN for NMMC/Fairview. Don Schroden is one of three vice presidents at DJ Kranz Co., Inc.



▲ Pictured with their Student Leadership Awards are Jeremy Williams, Whitney Lubrant, Joshua O'Brien and Christopher Roy Nicholson.

## Student Leaders at Dunwoody

Four students were presented with Student Leadership Awards by Dunwoody's Alumni Board of Managers on Wednesday, July 25. This award, created by the Alumni Board, is given to students who show exemplary leadership within the college and their community. These students maintain grade point averages of 3.0 or higher and demonstrate scholastic excellence along with school spirit.

### **JEREMY WILLIAMS**

Jeremy Williams is a second-year Electrical Construction and Maintenance student. He is a tutor and supplemental instruction leader within the Elftmann Student Success Center, a member of Phi Theta Kappa, an honor society for two-year schools, and was recommended for the award by Shelley Grevillius, Gateway director. "Jeremy has a unique style. He is not only their tutor, but also their mentor. Jeremy continues to work with the students that others may have given up on."

### **WHITNEY LURBANT**

Whitney Lubrant was a spring graduate. She received her A.A.S. in Electrical Construction and Maintenance. Lubrant was a member of student government and is an active volunteer at her church, serving as a youth leader. Eeris Fritz, Gateway instructor, recommended

Lubrant for the award and commented that, "Whitney is a student of excellence. What makes her so is her compassion to help others."

### **JOSHUA O'BRIEN**

Joshua O'Brien graduated from Dunwoody's Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning Systems Services program last spring. During his time at Dunwoody he served as president of Phi Theta Kappa as well as president for student government. Molly Muraski, student services coordinator, recommended O'Brien for the leadership award and said, "All who have met Mr. O'Brien know that he is someone that you can count on. He follows through on his word, he takes responsibility and ownership, and without a doubt, he gets the job done."

### **CHRISTOPHER ROY NICHOLSON**

Christopher Nicholson was a spring graduate of the Electrical Construction Design and Management program. While attending Dunwoody, he was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity Housing Corp. Nicholson was recommended by his instructor and department director, Chad Kurdi. "Christopher has been an outstanding student throughout his two years at Dunwoody. His positive attitude greatly impacted the learning environment."

## SPRING GRADUATION

Nearly 350 students crossed the graduation stage during ceremonies held on June 7 and 8 in Dunwoody's Decker Auditorium. Student speakers during these spring graduation ceremonies included Gregory Henderson, Jr., Computer Networking Systems; Tia Schultz and Gregory Schubert, Construction Project Supervision; Daniel Perrault, HVAC Systems Servicing; and Chelsie Skow, Engineering Drafting & Design Technology. Dunwoody was honored to have the following alumni guest speakers during the two days of ceremonies as well: Harlan Hallquist (1968), vice president of marketing at JE Dunn; Robert Strom (1963), president of Olson Tool & Plastics; and Thomas Wolden (1973), president of CRT Technical.

Dunwoody's graduation ceremonies are a chance to recognize students for their academic accomplishments, student leadership and attendance as well. Over 85 attendance awards were given out during the three spring ceremonies. Three students were also awarded with the Student Leadership Award, sponsored by Dunwoody's Alumni Board of Managers: Joshua O' Brien, Christopher Roy Nicholson, and Whitney Lubrant.

**"It is extremely important to keep updating your own understanding of technology and skills. Dunwoody can help you keep your knowledge fresh or introduce you to a new career. I have great confidence that the education you have received from Dunwoody has given you the tools you will need to excel in the job market today."** —Tom Wolden, CRT Technical



## DUNWOODY STUDENTS RECEIVE EXCELLENCE IN FLEXOGRAPHY AWARDS

Three Dunwoody students were recently awarded medals at the Flexographic Technical Association's Excellence in Flexography Awards competition. Karen Hanson won two Gold Medals, one for Graphic Design and one for Pre-Press; Dominic Rodgers won a Gold Medal for Press; and Brandon Vito won a Silver Medal for Press.

First started in 1960, the Excellence in Flexography Awards competition recognizes outstanding technical achievement in flexographic printing. "Each year the quality of flexo printing improves. Winning entries continue to demonstrate the leading edge capability of the flexo process and set a standard for other printers to follow," said Tony Bart, chairman of the FTA Awards Committee. "Winners win the respect of the industry, their printer segment peer group and their customers — the print buyers."

## DUNWOODY'S COMMITMENT TO CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

Dunwoody College of Technology is committed to continuous improvement. This commitment led the college to become part of the Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP) in 2001. AQIP is an alternative accreditation program sponsored by the Higher Learning Commission.

AQIP helps Dunwoody to identify improvement opportunities and develop plans and measurement systems to improve these areas. "The AQIP process allows us to implement continuous improvement and truly produce 'graduates who are worth more,'" comments Mike White, director of quality at Dunwoody. "By identifying the required 'action projects' through our self-evaluation process and working on those projects throughout the year, AQIP reviewers are able to witness our processes first-hand, confirm our improvements and act as a partner in our quality improvement initiative."

Dunwoody successfully completed its quality check-up in April 2007 by the Higher Learning Commission. This is the last step in the reaffirmation of the accreditation process.

## INSTRUCTOR TOUCHES HEARTS THROUGH POETRY IN *DEFINITE SPACE*

Ann Iverson has worked for Dunwoody College of Technology for 15 years. Now serving as a senior academic advisor, Iverson will publish her second collection of poetry,

*Definite Space*, this September.

The poems in *Definite Space* convey the emotional journey of having a step-son deployed twice to Baghdad.

Richard Jones, author of *Apropos of Nothing*, comments on Iverson's work: "The step-mother of a soldier serving twice in Iraq, (Iverson) offers a clear-eyed witness to the coexistence of valor and insanity, distant pain and the tender wounds that daily pierce the heart. These poems embody and offer a kind of strength found only in poetry."

Iverson has been featured on The Writer's Almanac with

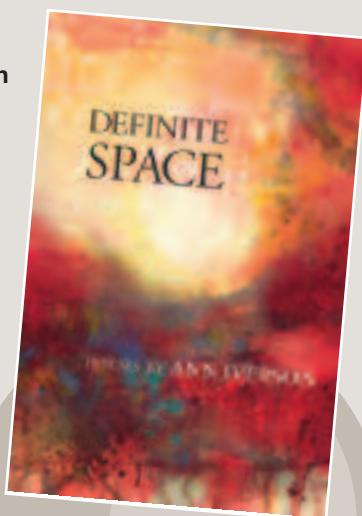
Garrison Keillor and has appeared in *The Oklahoma Review*, *Margie: American Journal of Poetry and Poetry East*. *Definite Space*, published by Holy Cow! Press, will be available for purchase at bookstores, readings and Amazon.com in September.

**Join Dunwoody friends for Iverson's poetry reading at the Dunwoody President's Forum at 5:30 p.m. on September 27 in the Elftmann Student Success Center. To reserve a spot, contact Katie Malone at: (612) 381-3062 or [kmalone@dunwoody.edu](mailto:kmalone@dunwoody.edu).**

►  
*Definite Space* is available at bookstores and [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).



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## SEE WHAT'S NEW, SEE WHAT'S YOU

Dunwoody's new marketing campaign includes TV advertising, radio advertising and launching a new college web site. Dunwoody's admissions counselors are also keeping high schools on the top priority list, making personal connections with high school staff and advisors. "We are using all the tools available to us to ensure that potential students, alumni and friends of Dunwoody are always aware of the amazing things that happen here," said Dave Jarzyna who was recently hired as Dunwoody's new marketing director. "It is our job to tell the great stories of the graduates of this wonderful institution who have gone on to enjoy truly successful careers."

To view Dunwoody's latest TV commercial, visit [www.youtube.com/profile?user=DunwoodyCollege](http://www.youtube.com/profile?user=DunwoodyCollege)

## NEED A DUNWOODY SHIRT?

Buy Dunwoody clothing and other items online by visiting <http://grpromotions.com/dunwoody>. Dunwoody's online store has hats, t-shirts, sweatshirts—even onesies for your babies or grandchildren! For additional information on ordering Dunwoody clothing and merchandise, contact Jeanne Meyer at: (612) 381-3074 or email: [bookstore@dunwoody.edu](mailto:bookstore@dunwoody.edu).



## Bush Foundation Asks Dunwoody "Are You Up to the Challenge?"

On March 6, 2007, the Bush Foundation board voted to match up to \$550,000 for Dunwoody's \$30 million *Good to Great* Campaign. Dunwoody has until June 30, 2008 to raise this amount from alumni and other individuals for capital improvements, new construction and endowment projects on campus. Pledges and contributions of \$50 to \$250,000 received by June 30, 2008 will be matched dollar for dollar by the Bush Foundation. WOW!

One Dunwoody donor doubled his gift after hearing about the Bush Challenge Match. Since the approval of this Bush Foundation challenge, more than 70 gifts totaling \$94,000 have qualified for the match. Add the Bush match and that total leaps to \$188,000. If you have any questions about the *Good to Great* Campaign and how your gift can qualify for the Bush Challenge Match, please contact Dunwoody vice president Mark Skipper at 612-381-3054.

### GOOD TO GREAT CAMPAIGN PROJECTS

- Student Service Center(tutoring services)
- HAAS Manufacturing Center
- Warren Building renovations  
(Automotive Center & Auto Collision)
- Newly paved parking lot
- Classroom and lab renovations
- New student lounge and gameroom

### GOOD TO GREAT CAMPAIGN FACTS

<b>Goal:</b>	\$30 million
<b>End Date:</b>	June 30, 2009
<b>Raised as of June 30, 2007:</b>	\$23 million

**THE BUSH FOUNDATION** | In 1953, Archibald Granville Bush, chairman of the executive committee of the 3M Company, and his wife, Edyth Bassler Bush, brought their passion for giving into focus by establishing the Bush Foundation. With an estate valued at over \$200 million, Archibald Bush was of the mindset that great wealth came with great responsibility. He was often quoted as saying that "wealth should be used for the benefit of all humanity." Mr. Bush died in 1966 and his legacy has lived on through the foundation he and his wife created.



▲ The outstanding leadership of 1974 Automotive alumnus Gib Syverson (pictured middle) has led to a successful start to the Alumni Brick Campaign.



◀ Donna Brosveen strolls down the Alumni and Friends Walkway to see her brother A. Doug Brosveen's (Electrical 1935) new brick.

### Preserving Dunwoody History: Alumni and Friends Walkway Dedication

Dunwoody's Carlson Commons entrance has a new look. In a dedication ceremony on August 18, Dunwoody unveiled its "Alumni and Friends Walkway" outside this entrance. The space, led by the Alumni Brick Campaign efforts of 1974 Automotive alumnus Gib Syverson, displays over 80 bricks purchased by alumni and friends of the college. "Dunwoody alumni and friends have really stepped up to the plate during the first phase of this campaign. Our alumni inspire students through their involvement in the campaign and set an example through the successful careers they have after Dunwoody and by giving back to the college," commented Mark Skipper, vice president of development and alumni relations.

Preserve your spot in Dunwoody's history by placing your brick order today. Visit [www.dunwoody.edu/donate](http://www.dunwoody.edu/donate) or call John Chandler at (612) 381-3061.



► Jim Tilbury, 1974 Electrical Construction, finds his brick. Jim's father and uncle also attended Dunwoody.



▲ **Polly Mann** recalled working as a machinist at Northwest Automatic. She and her great niece Lois Amundson checked out the latest CNC equipment in Dunwoody's HAAS Manufacturing Center during a campus visit.

## A Legacy To Help Others

When Olive "Polly" Mann visited Dunwoody in 2003, she told stories about how she and her husband Clarence worked as machinists at Northwest Automatic (formerly

located near to Dunwoody) in the 1940s. It was during World War II and women worked in the factories alongside the men. Polly remembered that she was responsible for working on a drill press. It was also in the 1940s that the Manns decided to help Dunwoody students. Polly said, "We wanted students to learn skills that would give them a good career and life."

The Manns knew that Dunwoody Industrial Institute, as it was called then, was a strong institution that provided excellent training.

Polly Mann died on her 98th birthday on January 19, 2007. She was preceded in death by her husband Clarence Mann in 1998 at age 87.

When their will was read, the school was named beneficiary of their Minnetonka home. **Dunwoody College of Technology** is forever grateful to Clarence and Polly Mann for their generous gift that will impact men and women for many years into the future.



Clarence Mann, circa 1940.



Olive "Polly" Mann, circa 1940.

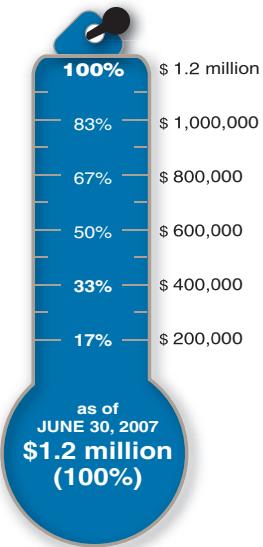
**Tell Dunwoody how you are providing for Dunwoody students in your estate plan and why you are proud to be one of more than 300,000 Dunwoody alumni. Call Becky Seemann at (612) 381-3057 or email [bseemann@dunwoody.edu](mailto:bseemann@dunwoody.edu).**

## Impacting Dunwoody Students

School is back in session. With almost 700 new students, and even more returning students, there are many students who could benefit from your support for Dunwoody's Annual Fund during the last school year.

With alumni giving increasing by 20% last year, Dunwoody is counting on a similar increase this year to reach the 2008 Annual Fund goal of \$1,260,000. Each dollar given to the Annual Fund ensures that a quality Dunwoody education is available for this generation. Visit the online giving page at [www.dunwoody.edu/donate](http://www.dunwoody.edu/donate) to renew your pledge. Or send your contribution to: Annual Fund Drive – Alumni Giving, Dunwoody College of Technology, 818 Dunwoody Blvd., Minneapolis, MN 55403. For more information, please call John Chandler at (612) 381-3061.

**Thank you for giving back to Dunwoody!**



**DUNWOODY'S ANNUAL FUND**  
*as of June 30, 2007*



**Give to future generations of students...**

**Make a gift in your will to Dunwoody**

For more information, contact Becky Seemann at [bseemann@dunwoody.edu](mailto:bseemann@dunwoody.edu) or (612) 381-3057.

**Do you have a 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:**

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**dunwoody.edu**

**or Dunwoody**

**Alumni**

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**Attn: Kat**

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**818 Dunwoody**

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**Minneapolis, MN**

**55403.**

**612-381-3064**

## 1949

**Edward W. Engelson**, Machine Tool, is now retired and spends time volunteering at his church two days a week as well as gardening at his home.

## 1960

**Don Chariter**, Electronics, recently came back to visit Dunwoody. His visit was the first time he had been back since graduating. Of the college he said, "To say Dunwoody has changed would be an understatement, yet in many ways it has not. Even though the school has expanded and added many more courses, the philosophy of 'work hard to succeed' has not changed. We toured various programs and most fascinating to me was the electronics lab. I remember Dunwoody being a fun place when I was in school, and it still is now." Don and his wife Jane reside in North Carolina but are spending a portion of their summer traveling North America in their RV.

## 2001

**Jeff** (Engineering Drafting & Design) and Lindsay **Schipper**



welcomed a baby girl on May 4, 2007. Josephine Terri Schipper was born at 4:52p.m.

She weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces and measured 20 inches long.



## Female Alumnae Connect at Dunwoody

This spring, alumnae from Dunwoody and NEI came back to campus for Dunwoody's First Alumnae Reception. Attendees were excited to see the latest changes at the college, including the Women's Resource Center, and learn about what they can do to motivate and educate young women about non-traditional career opportunities at Dunwoody. Pictured left to right are: Sheila Hraby, 2004 NEI; Ann Harty, 2002 Automation and Robotics; Julie Sachs, 1998 Machine Tool; Jean Long, 1991 NEI. You too can encourage women to learn about great career opportunities at Dunwoody by contacting Kat Christopherson at: (612) 381-3064 or [development@dunwoody.edu](mailto:development@dunwoody.edu).



## Dunwoody's Graduates of the Last Decade Event

Alumni from 1997 to 2007 and their guests gathered to enjoy tailgating and watch the St. Paul Saints take on the Lincoln Saltdogs on June 13. Unfortunately, the Saints lost, but Dunwoody alums had a great evening of reminiscing and baseball.



The newly inducted 50-Year Club members, class of 1957, with Luke Norell, 50-Year Club Scholarship recipient. New inductees included: Loren Eskelson, Electrical Construction; Michael Ross, Electrical Construction; Jim Rossow, Civil Technology & Land Surveying; Jack Schleddy, Architectural Drafting & Estimating; Wayne Simoneau, Automotive Service; Daniel Tolbert, Electrical Construction; Morry Westphal, Air Conditioning; Phil Amundson, Architectural Drafting & Estimating; Robert Gehrke, Electrical Construction.



Luke Norell, third-quarter Electrical Construction and Maintenance, was the recipient of this year's 50-Year Club Scholarship.

## A Milestone: 1957 Alumni inducted into 50-Year Club

In a packed McNamara Center, Dunwoody welcomed alumni who attended classes in 1957 or earlier to its annual 50-Year Club event. For the first time in the event's 30-year history, a \$1,000 scholarship was awarded. In accepting his scholarship award, third quarter Electrical Construction and Maintenance student Luke Norell remarked to an audience of more than 200, *"I grew up on a farm in southern Minnesota and was working at a Best Buy store in Mankato. When I was thinking about wanting to become an electrician, I asked Best Buy customers about where to go to school. Over and over again, I heard that Dunwoody graduates were the best. So, it is all of you—the alumni who went before me—that have helped make Dunwoody the best. I decided I wanted to be a part of Dunwoody. Thank you for giving me this scholarship and for setting the high precedent."* Norell was recommended for his "tremendous work ethic and determination."

# 50-Year Club Reunion

## Promoting Excellence through Scholarship Awards at the 40-Year Club

For the first time in the event's history, Dunwoody was able to award four \$1,000 scholarships to deserving students during its annual 40-Year Club Reunion. Due to generation contributions from alumni between the classes of 1958 and 1967, Chris Graham, Todd Martin, Judea Martin, and Rhett Taylor were all able to receive these scholarships to be used toward their next year of schooling at the college. Alumni gathered on April 18 to reminisce and participate in campus tours with a concluding program to induct the newest members of this year's 40-Year Club.



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# 40-Year Club Reunion



### Welcome to the Alumni Association Board

Dunwoody welcomed five new members to the Alumni Association Board of Managers on July 25. Members of the Alumni Association Board of Managers provide the college with industry knowledge and expertise, and offer new recognitions and services for students. New members, pictured with President Ben Wright include (l-r): Paul Berman, 1982 Automotive; Joe O'Shaughnessy, 1981 Air Conditioning; Ben Wright; Mike Stillman, 1978 Air Conditioning; and Cedric Thompson, 1999 Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning. Not pictured: Jeff Hawthorne, 1989 Electrical Construction.

**Thank you, Alumni Board volunteers!**

### Is There a History of Dunwoody Graduates in Your Family?

Did your father, grandfather, uncle, brother or sister attend Dunwoody or NEI College of Technology? Do you have a son, daughter or grandchild who went to either school? If so, let us know as planning is underway for Dunwoody's first multi-generation alumni gathering. Call Becky Seemann at: (612) 381-3057 or email [bseemann@dunwoody.edu](mailto:bseemann@dunwoody.edu) with contact information of your family's Dunwoody/NEI alumni. The first 100 people to respond will receive a FREE Dunwoody window decal, so be sure to include your mailing address with your information.



### Arnie Meleen's Legacy

Arnold "Arnie" Meleen (center), celebrated a milestone birthday of 105 on June 24. Arnie was the oldest living graduate of Dunwoody College of Technology. He studied Electrical in 1934 and went on to a career with the City of Minneapolis. He passed away on July 7, 2007. He left a wonderful legacy by setting up a \$1 million-dollar educational trust fund for his great, great nieces and nephews, 25 in total. At his birthday party, 56 of his 64 blood relatives attended. These potential recipients, mostly children, wished uncle Arnie a happy birthday and a special thank you for his special gift to them.

Dunwoody College of Technology is also one of the beneficiaries of Arnold's estate, along with the Salvation Army, Camp Courage, The Society for the Blind, and the Lutheran Church in Milaca, Minnesota which was his boyhood home. Men and women training at Dunwoody will benefit from the generosity of Arnold Meleen for years to come.

### Letters to Dunwoody

Dear Editor,

This year's 40-Year Club event was a meaningful experience for me. Thanks to my Dunwoody degrees in Welding (1966) and Machine Tool (1986) I have been certified by the American Welding Society and served as department head and instructor in the U.S. Peace Corp. for their Welding Technical School in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. I am a veteran of the U.S. Army 87th Engineering Battalion in Germany and am now the historian for Post 168 in White Bear Lake. None of these accomplishments would have been possible without Dunwoody. I thank the school from the bottom of my heart for giving me my start—I owe everything to Dunwoody.

God Bless,  
Roger Joseph Kohler  
White Bear Lake, MN



Would you like to let others know how your Dunwoody education has affected your life? Send your "Letters to Dunwoody" to: The Compass Editor, Alumni Office, 818 Dunwoody Boulevard, Minneapolis, MN 55403.

## In Memoriam

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

**Ray E. Anderson**  
1948 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
*Notified May 18, 2007*

**Cyril H. Arnzen**  
1949 Air Conditioning  
*October 14, 2006*

**Chester W. Brinkman**  
1939  
*Notified April 12, 2007*

**Gary J. Corr**  
1958 Electrical  
Construction  
*February 14, 2007*

**Gene Dahl**  
1954 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
*June 1, 2005*

**Michael Dorosh**  
1935 Electronics  
*January 23, 2007*

**James A. Dumonceaux**  
1958 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
*Notified March 14, 2007*

**John H. Francis**  
1939 Machine Tool  
Technology  
*Notified May 1, 2007*

**Charles W. Fuller**  
1954 Automotive Service  
Technology  
*June 23, 2007*

**Loren C. Hansen**  
1955 Air Conditioning  
*Notified April 10, 2007*

**John K. Hood**  
1961 Engineering Drafting  
& Design  
*January 16, 2007*

**John A. Irwin**  
1959  
*Notified March 19, 2007*

**Jalmer A. Johnson**  
1959 Electrical  
Construction  
*Notified July 2, 2007*

**Richard O. Koch**  
1930 Baking  
*Notified May 10, 2007*

**Gilbert Lange**  
1954 Electronic Systems  
Technology  
*December 23, 2006*

**Ludolph M. Larsen**  
1934 Machine Tool  
Technology  
*December 26, 2006*

**James Lash**  
1947 Refrigeration  
*February 14, 2007*

**Herbert W. Lee**  
1943 Printing & Graphics  
Technology  
*May 29, 2007*

**Albert L. Lemke**  
1955 Baking  
*August 1, 2006*

**Leonard J. Ludescher**  
1940 Machine Tool  
Technology  
*June 10, 2007*

**William J. Mangan**  
1951 Baking  
*March 19, 2007*

**John R. Moassen**  
1968 Architectural  
Drafting & Estimating  
*May 5, 2007*

**Arnold F. Meleen**  
1934 Electrical  
Construction  
*July 9, 2007*

**Donald Milton**  
1955 Architectural  
Drafting & Estimating  
*February 6, 2007*

**Ray Otto**  
1963 Electrical  
*May 7, 2007*

**L. Vincent Pearson**  
1933 Civil Technology &  
Land Surveying  
*May 13, 2007*

**Howard R. Quesenberry**  
1939 Electrical  
Construction  
*March 27, 2007*

**Clement A. Schammel**  
1988 Auto Electrical  
*Notified July 9, 2007*

**Eugene I. Sipila**  
1947 Electrical  
Construction  
*May 1, 2006*

**Donald R. Snobeck**  
1935 Electrical  
Construction  
*Notified May 15, 2007*

**Stanislaus G. Tarnowski**  
1948 Air Conditioning  
*December 24, 2005*

**Gerrit Zoet**  
1947 Automotive Service  
Technology  
*Notified April 9, 2007*



**John C. Hansen, Sr.**, 1939 Architectural Drafting & Estimating, died on June 23, 2007. Hansen was a former Architectural Drafting & Estimating instructor, department head and executive vice president at Dunwoody. He was also the recipient of Dunwoody's Alumni Achievement Award and was inducted into the United States Apprenticeship Association Hall of Fame during 1996. During a 1998 interview with Dunwoody staff, Hansen commented that "Dunwoody gets you ready for the job. Frankly, its reputation has always been good and that's no surprise!"

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

## 2007 SEPTEMBER

**26**  
Rochester Alumni Gathering

## OCTOBER

**4**  
Kate Dunwoody Luncheon

**9**  
Legacy Luncheon

**23**  
Tuesday Tour

**25**  
Architectural Drafting & Estimating  
and Building Construction  
Alumni Reunion

## NOVEMBER

**13**  
Tuesday Tour

## 2008 DECEMBER

**4**  
Tuesday Tour

## JANUARY

**12**  
Florida Alumni Gathering  
Naples, FL

## FEBRUARY

**8**  
Arizona Alumni Reunion  
Sun City, AZ

**9**  
Arizona Alumni Reunion  
Mesa, AZ

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**Offered in the evening and weekends, this B.S. program is designed to be completed in two years.** It gives students the ability to strengthen their analytical and critical thinking skills, establish a value of diversity to be applied to global business, enhance leadership skills, and communicate clearly using business and management terminology. Some of the specific courses students will take during the program include:

- **Introduction to Management and Supervision**
- **Managerial Accounting**
- **Statistics**
- **Financial Management**
- **Quality Systems**
- **Operations Management**
- **Estimating Principles**
- **Human Resources Management**
- **Strategic Planning**
- **Marketing Principles**
- **Introduction to Six Sigma**

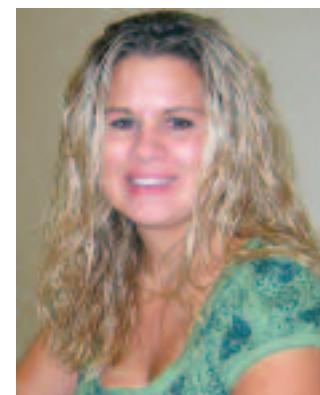
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**John Cvek** received his A.A.S. degree from Dunwoody in Computer Digital Electronics. He made the decision to come back to Dunwoody for his B.S. degree in Applied Management after seeing changes over the years in the job market.



*"Employers in the information technology industry want to see employees with four-year degrees and many times even master's degrees and certifications such as Cisco CCNA and CCNP. I was glad Dunwoody offers the B.S. program and uses modern technology needed in the job market. So far it is even manageable for someone with a family, like me, though it is a rigorous program that requires commitment."*

**Kimberly Goodin** graduated from Dunwoody in June with an Engineering Drafting & Design degree and moved right in to the B.S. program.



*"I felt as though I had learned so much from the school already and I am driven to learn more. I am very proud to be a Dunwoody graduate. I think Dunwoody focuses their teaching techniques on exactly the type of work environment that students will step into upon graduation. I couldn't be happier with the education that I am getting here at Dunwoody! It is worth every dollar!"*