

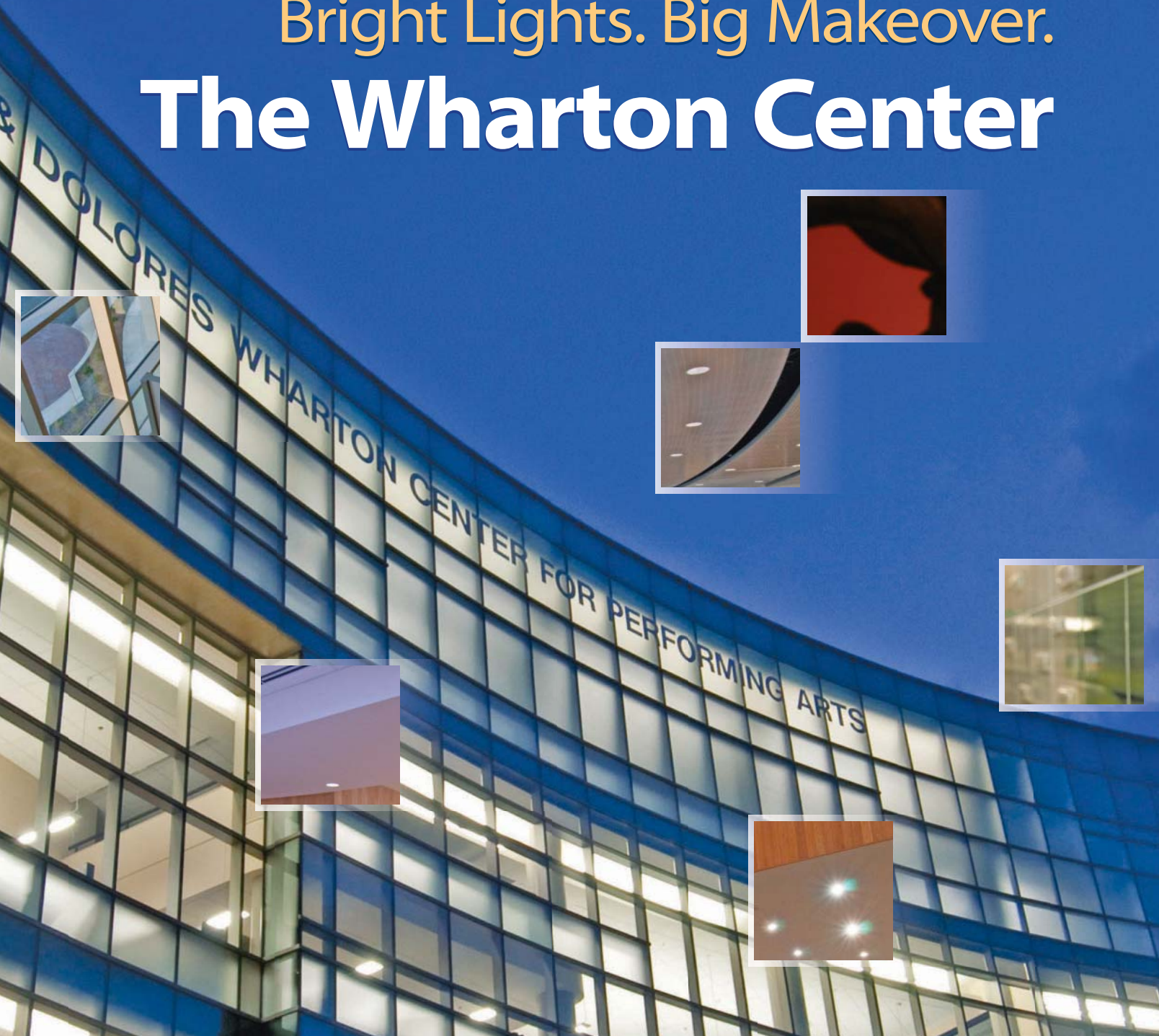
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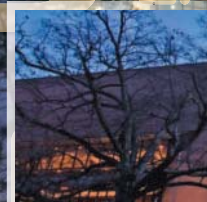
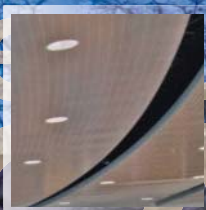
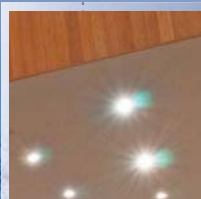
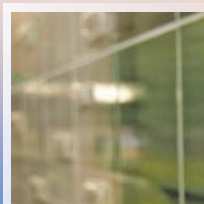
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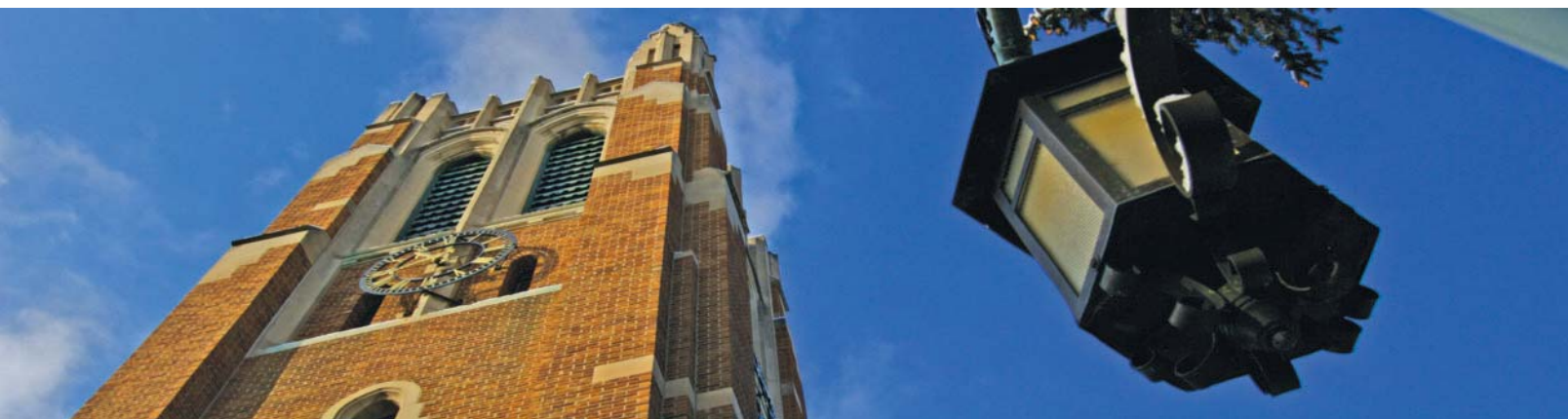
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# PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE



**W**hen the going gets tough, Spartans get going. The State of Michigan has reduced funding for higher education in all but one of the last five years. Now, state support is dipping even lower, a trend that is not likely to change in the foreseeable future. Meanwhile, our substantial health care and energy costs continue their long-term climb.

And although we must make significant budget reductions, we are not cutting indiscriminately across the board. That would be poor management, indeed, and fly in the face of our core values and identity. Those will not change merely because we're forced to contemplate a leaner near-term future.

Today we ask ourselves what we wish to be in the 21st century, and we will resculpt the institution accordingly. We will invest even as we cut.

So, too, must American public higher education as it considers

how best to serve individuals and society. It's fitting to do so in this 200th anniversary year of Lincoln's birth and as we approach the 150th anniversary in 2012 of his signing of the Morrill Act, which created land-grant institutions such as MSU.

The Morrill Act stood for the democratization of higher education and knowledge—revolutionary at that time—and made colleges and universities instruments of advancing the nation's prosperity and well-being. The tendency to view higher education as a private rather than public good, unfortunately, has grown in more recent years. Yet for America to be competitive—and for humankind to address our common challenges—we must draw inspiration from our roots to shape our future.

I invite you to read more on this topic at [worldgrantideal.msu.edu](http://worldgrantideal.msu.edu).

We are building on our strengths and focusing on where we see the greatest societal needs. We are leveraging our considerable international experience and our research and academic expertise. You can see it happening all around the state and beyond.

We're reaffirming our commitment to Detroit and Southeast Michigan with the opening of our new MSU Detroit Center on Woodward Avenue to house music and education programs and other university functions.

Our Bioeconomy Institute in Holland is bringing scientists and business people together, and we're ramping up activity with our College of Human Medicine location in Grand Rapids. Wharton Center for Performing Arts now is partnering with Broadway Grand Rapids to bring top-flight theater to the community.

And to the north, we recently partnered with Michigan Technological University and Northern Michigan University to link their pre-med students with our College of Human Medicine, assisting disadvantaged students and enhancing health care in underserved areas of the state.

Here on campus, the need to attract the best students, faculty, and staff continues unabated. Indeed, other states and countries are building up their educational capabilities, leaving Michigan and the United States with an even longer-

term competitive challenge. We must continue our work to make Michigan State a more efficient, effective organization that remains a worldwide university of choice.

We will do it boldly, yet deliberately and transparently. Everyone on both the academic and the business sides of MSU's operations has been enlisted to contribute. Alumni, too, have an important role to play. Consider how you will contribute to the transformation of Michigan State into something not diminished by adversity but strengthened by the challenge.

We are engaging our many stakeholders online at [shapingthefuture.msu.edu](http://shapingthefuture.msu.edu). Along with a large amount of supporting information, you can read the communications Provost Kim Wilcox, Vice President Fred Poston, and I send to administrative leaders, faculty, and staff throughout this process. I urge you to visit that site and I welcome your thoughts. With members of Team MSU pulling together, Michigan State has been and will continue to be an institution of which you can be proud.

Sincerely,

Lou Anna K. Simon, Ph.D.  
President, Michigan State  
University

# IN BASKET

## BE SPARTAN GREEN

I just wanted to send you a quick note to let you know how impressed I was with your feature article on sustainability in the Fall 2009 issue. My wife receives this magazine as an MSU alum and we have always been Spartan fans, but this article made me think more broadly about MSU's impact as a major national university. I was impressed that the university is recognized nationally for sustainability and that you aren't resting on your laurels in this area but continuing to set new goals. The Be Spartan Green initiative sounds like the right effort at the right time. Good job!

Steve French  
Alto

➤ *In October, the Sustainable Endowments Institute gave MSU a B grade in its 2010 college sustainability report card. The grade puts MSU on par with its sister Big Ten institutions.* —Editor.

I was delighted to read about the many aspects of sustainability at MSU including research and operations in the Fall 2009 edition. It is wonderful to see research being put into practice and the entire community working toward a common goal of environmental stewardship as an institution. Thanks for focusing on these efforts and the faculty, students and staff that make MSU a model for other communities. Creating a culture of sustainability will have a lasting impact. Be Spartan Green!

Lynda J. Boomer, '82  
Energy & Environmental  
Engineer  
MSU Physical Plant

We at MSU Bikes appreciated the mention of our bike center



and "green" bike mission in your fall issue. It's great to see demand continuing to climb in bicycling around MSU and around the country as not only a great way to get around but as one key piece of the puzzle to reducing our dependence on gas and the automobile. While it's a huge campus, a bike still gets you across it in five minutes and the best parking once you arrive!

Tim Potter  
Coordinator, MSU Bikes

## MORE MEMORIES OF RESIDENCE HALLS

Your summer feature on MSU residence halls took me back to a time of student protests against the Viet Nam war, national-championship-caliber football teams, and momentous cultural change. It was the mid-to-late '60s. During those years, every dorm on campus had a "grill"—part malt shop, part pub—with a bass-biased juke box; cokes, coffee and burgers to order; and tables for playing gin rummy, reading the *State News*, or solving world problems in conversation with friends. It was in the Abbott Hall grill that I obtained perhaps 40 percent of my college education during those give-and-take debates. Certainly I learned to question conventional thinking, how to hold two opposing ideas in my mind at the same time, and realized just how much I didn't know—and thus hungered

to know. I would guess that virtually every residence hall grill of that era, manned and run by students, was a money-losing operation. But I would bet that almost any MSU alum from the '60s would agree that what we learned as a result of our experiences in those basement cafes was priceless.

Len Bokuniewicz, '69  
Clarkston

"Residence Halls, Now & Then" by Robert Bao (Summer 2009) was really great. When I arrived at MSC in 1946 I was housed in a Quonset Hut with the military style mess hall nearby, as your photos showed. After a year I moved to then-new Snyder-Phillips Hall. That was a luxury (even without the Gallery). In 2005, I had the great pleasure and honor to revisit campus to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award. I did not get a chance to see any residence halls and was very interested to read your article, which gave a good picture of the human side of MSU. Thank you, Robert Bao.

Kenneth H. Eskelund, '51  
Winslow, ME

As a West Shaw dweller in 1976-77, I enjoyed your residence hall coverage. I was saddened to learn of the demise of Spartan Village, where I stayed post-Shaw. My memories include using a long extension cord out the window to a TV tray on the front lawn, the only way I could write outside on my electric typewriter! Today's kids have connectivity that's too easy (wink).

Jeff Porteous, '78  
La Mirada, CA

The new residence halls are vastly superior to old Wells Hall, where I lived in 1938-39. Our most advanced technology was electric lighting. We did not have

a telephone, and I remember having to send telegrams home. To avoid arguments, we did not flush toilets while someone was taking a shower. Vending machines were not available, but Sam the candyman visited every evening.

Our dorm building consisted of three stories and a basement divided into five or six separate units. To go from one unit to another, you had to exit one and reenter the other. There were no lounges, so we gathered in our rooms. Wells Hall was conveniently located near the engineering building, where most of my classes were held.

Bill Winglar, '42  
Grandville

## GRANDPARENTS UNIVERSITY

Thanks for highlighting Grandparents University (Fall 2009, p. 67). My husband, two granddaughters and myself attended last year's program and had an amazing time together. It was a wonderful opportunity for me to pass on my passion for Michigan State University and all that college has to offer.

My hope was to spark a desire in my granddaughters to attend MSU after high school. I never realized the extent of the impact attending Grandparents University would have on all four of us. My granddaughter summarized the whole experience best when she said, "Grandma, MSU is so cool, and I can't wait to go to college."

Jill Alred, '79  
Sterling Heights

## OBIT INFORMATION

The obituary for Richard U. Byerrum (Winter 2009) fails to cite the he was dean of the College of Natural Science for many years before he retired about 20 years ago.

John James (Jim) de Vries, MS '64  
Lansing

# AROUND CIRCLE DRIVE



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## SCOTT WESTERMAN NAMED HEAD OF MSU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

After a national search, Scott Westerman, longtime telecommunications executive and entrepreneur, has been named

Michigan State University's new associate vice president for alumni relations and executive director of the MSU Alumni Association.

Westerman comes to MSU from Albuquerque, NM, where he was an area vice president for Comcast Corp.'s West Division. He spearheaded a public relations turnaround for the company by leveraging social media such as Facebook and Twitter to respond to customer

complaints.

Through his 25 plus years of service in the cable television industry, Westerman has extensive expertise in general management, revenue generation, subscription growth, expense control, and stra-

tegic alliances. At the same time, he has been an active Spartan advocate throughout his career, serving in multiple leadership roles in MSU Alumni Association regional clubs and on the College of Communication Arts and Sciences Alumni Board.

According to President Lou Anna K. Simon, "The depth and breadth of Scott's experience both as an entrepreneurial businessperson and as an alumni volunteer make him a great addition to Team MSU. I am confident that Scott will continue the strong upward trajectory established by Interim Executive Director Stella Cash, taking our alumni relations endeavors to greater heights."

A Michigan native, Westerman obtained his Bachelor of Arts degree in telecommunication from MSU in 1978. In 2001, he

was awarded the MSU College of Communication Arts and Sciences Distinguished Alumnus award.

During the past year, he has served as president of the MSU Alumni Association's national alumni board. Together with his wife, Colleen, the Westermans are life members of the MSU Alumni Association and members of the Jonathan A. Snyder Donor Society, having established the Scott and Colleen Westerman Technology Endowment to support MSU.

Westerman's MSU appointment will be effective Jan. 1, 2010. He succeeds Stella Cash, who has served as interim associate vice president for alumni relations and executive director of the MSU Alumni Association for the past two years.

## SHAPING THE FUTURE OF MSU

In the face of declining state support, MSU continues to shape its future and look for ways to reduce expenses while maintaining quality, efficiency and effectiveness.

"We are in the early stages of a focused MSU budget reduction process," says MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon. "Many voices will continue to be heard as we work through the process."

Alumni are encouraged to stay informed and to share their input. To become involved, visit [shapingthefuture.msu.edu](http://shapingthefuture.msu.edu).

## MSU OPENS DETROIT CENTER

Expanding its Southeast Michigan presence, MSU opened the MSU Detroit Center on Oct. 1, housing Community Music School (CMS) Detroit and a new headquarters for College of Education teaching interns.

The 22,000-square-foot facility, located at 3408 Woodward Ave., will provide Detroiters with easy

access to the university on many levels, says MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon.

About 49 percent of MSU's incoming freshman class comes from the three-county Southeast Michigan area and 20 percent of MSU's 420,000-plus living alumni reside there.

"MSU Detroit Center represents a new level of engagement in Southeast Michigan," Simon says.

Kurt Stepnitz/University Relations



"It is a physical symbol of our continued commitment to enhance quality of life in Detroit and all of Southeast Michigan by fostering 21st century learning and growing partnerships that serve as catalysts to future prosperity."

CMS Detroit has been hosting classes for Detroit-area youth and adults since early September. The building also provides classroom and meeting space for College of Education teacher candidates who are placed in Detroit classrooms for the required fifth-year internship and for their mentor teachers. MSU's admissions, advancement and government affairs offices also have space in the building.

Last year, the College of Music started Jazz@YouthVille. Also at YouthVille, the College of Education operates a resource center funded by Detroit-based Skillman Foundation. In addition, MSU serves more than 500,000 individuals in Southeast Michigan through its extension offices.

In September, the College of Osteopathic Medicine expanded into Southeast Michigan (see p. 6, Winter 2009).

## \$141.5 MILLION IN ENERGY GRANTS

MSU's College of Engineering is working to improve the world's alternative energy future with three grants totaling \$141.5 million.

"We think that no single solution is going to be able to address the energy problem we're confronting today," says Satish Udpa, dean of the College of Engineering. "We have strong programs in thermoelectrics, biofuels and battery storage technology."

MSU is the lead institution in a new \$12.5 million U.S. Dept. of Energy-sponsored Energy Frontier Research Center on the study of thermoelectric energy conversion. Led by Donald Morelli, professor of chemical engineering and materials science, the team is developing methods to convert heat to electricity.



Bruce Dale, professor of chemical engineering and materials science and associate director of MSU's Office of Biobased Technologies, is a member of the \$125 million, five-year U.S. Dept. of Energy-funded Great Lakes Bioenergy Research Center. Dale invented a unique process to help convert plant materials into fuels.

Researchers have also secured about \$4 million from multiple federal, state, and commercial organizations to develop the next generation of advanced battery and capacitor technology. Under the leadership of Jeff Sakamoto and Lawrence T. Drzal, professors of chemical engineering and materials science, new nanomaterials, nanomaterial architectures, processing techniques, and electrode designs are being developed to produce high-energy batteries and high-power super capacitors.

### \$14.4 MILLION FOR FRUIT RESEARCH

Hungry to make fruit better for longer, MSU scientists will lead a four-year, \$14.4 million research project—the larg-

est ever by the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's Specialty Crop Research Initiative since its inception in 2007.

Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station (MAES) scientist Amy Iezzoni heads the RosBREED project, aiming to combine emerging DNA sequence and research findings to improve the quality of apples, peaches, cherries and strawberries—key species in the globally important botanical family Rosaceae.

The project involves scientists from 11 U.S. institutions and six international partners from the Netherlands, South Africa, New Zealand, Chile, France, and the United Kingdom.

Selective breeding has led to the improvement of most rosaceous species during the last 6,000 years, scientists say. "This is a watershed year for Rosaceae with the peach, apple and strawberry genomes being sequenced," Iezzoni says. "Yet a huge gap exists because this DNA-based information is rarely applied to improve plant breeding for the development of new fruit cultivars."

The project is part of the USDA's National Institute of

Food and Agriculture program, which funds multi-year, multi-institutional collaborative projects. RosBREED follows earlier

genomic, genetic and breeding programs focused on rice, wheat, barley, conifers, potatoes, and tomatoes.



## MICHIGAN STATE MOMENTS

*This capsule of MSU history was written by Robert Bao, editor of the MSU Alumni Magazine.*

In 1970, six MSU faculty members and a fellow musician from Lansing formed a Dixieland jazz band called the Geriatric Six Plus One. They played gigs at the University Club and elsewhere. In 1976, MSU Athletics Director Joe Kearney invited the group to play before home football games. Thus a great tradition was born, lasting some 31 years. The band played before every home football game—as well as at select away games.

The founders included clarinetist Maury Crane, former head of MSU's Voice Library; trumpeter Bill Faunce, former chair of the Dept. of Sociology; and pianist and composer Owen Reed. Flugelhornist Wally Keller, former dean of veterinary medicine, joined the group in 1973. Founders Bob Sidnell (trombone), Don Thornburg (bass), Owen Brainard (drums), and Bennett Sandefur (banjo) have passed on. Thornburg, an executive with General Motors and the only member not with the MSU faculty, was the "Plus One."

Former MSU Athletics Director Doug Weaver used to play the banjo with the group once a year. Faunce notes that the band donated proceeds from its recordings and performances to MSU's jazz studies program.

"In all the years we played, not one band member ever missed a kickoff," recalls Faunce, who splits time between East Lansing and the Upper Peninsula. The group disbanded in 2009, ending one of MSU's most popular pregame traditions.



Courtesy of Bill Faunce

*In 1987, just days before MSU beat Southern Cal in the Rose Bowl, the Geriatric Six Plus One performed at the Hollywood Palladium as the opening act for Bob Hope.*

**GROUNDBREAKING** for MSU's *Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum* has been set for March 16, 2010. *Eli Broad, who donated the naming gift for the project, and Zaha Hadid, the internationally known architect who designed the building, are expected to attend. The groundbreaking will be followed by 23 months of construction and a 2012 museum opening.*

Courtesy of Zaha Hadid Architects





*A Chorus Line*



Noa



*The Emerson String Quartet*



*Young Frankenstein*

**GREAT CHOICES AT WHARTON CENTER**

With its new \$18.5 million expansion (see page 30), MSU's Wharton Center for Performing Arts can serve the public with more space, resources, and amenities.

This winter, lovers of Broadway theater can look forward to *101 Dalmatians The Musical* (Jan. 26-31), a perfect experience for the family; Mel Brooks' new musical *Young Frankenstein* (Feb. 2-7), a surefire monster hit; Steppenwolf's *August: Osage County* (Feb. 16-17), winner of the Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award for Best Play; and *A Chorus Line*

(April 6-11), winner of nine Tony awards, including "Best Musical."

Other entertainment choices range from Esperanza Spalding (Jan. 20), singer-entertainer Tom Chapin (Feb. 28), the Ballet Folklórico de Mexico (March 4), and Israeli recording artist Noa (May 5) to such classical music groups as the Emerson String Quartet (Jan. 21) and the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet (Mar. 21).

For more information, visit [whartoncenter.com](http://whartoncenter.com) or call the box office at 800-WHARTON.

research with zebra fish has extended to model human diseases and to analyze the formation and functions of cell populations within organs.

**NURSING PARTNERSHIP IN DOCTORAL STUDIES**

MSU's College of Nursing and the Dept. of Nursing at Hope College are partnering to ease and encourage the pursuit of doctoral study.

In the partnership, faculty from both institutions will encourage cohorts of eligible Hope College nursing students and alumni to consider applying to the MSU accelerated BSN to PhD Program. Each academic year, MSU will designate two seats in the fast-track program for qualified applicants from Hope. Students who are accepted into the BSN to PhD program will take one year of master's level coursework prior to beginning their doctoral studies and continue to receive mentoring from Hope and MSU faculty throughout the program. The goal is to develop a larger pool of highly qualified nurse researchers and scholars.

"The partnership is a unique opportunity for collaboration between a private and public research intensive institution," says MSU Nursing Dean Mary Mundt.

**ANIMAL MRI FIRST IN NATION**

The MSU College of Veterinary Medicine now boasts the first large-animal MRI ever at an academic institution, allowing veterinarians to tackle research questions and greatly impact both animal and human health.

The magnetic resonance imaging machine has a 70-centimeter opening that is nearly 50 percent larger than the standard MRI and capable of analyzing large animals such as horses and cows.

**IMPROVING EFFICIENCY OF SOLAR TECHNOLOGY**

A collaboration of MSU chemists, mathematicians, and engineers is working to improve solar panel technology, backed by a \$1.9 million grant from the National Science Foundation.

The three-year grant comes from American Recovery and Reinvestment Act monies and will focus on developing methods for making a new class of solar cells from cheaper materials.

"For renewable energy to succeed, it has to get to a point where it is economically competitive with current technology," says Chemistry Professor James McCusker, the project leader. "This

means we need totally transformational technologies."

**BETTER CLONING OF ZEBRA FISH**

Zebra fish, small striped fish common to many aquariums, have emerged as the animal of choice for many researchers. Now, MSU scientists have developed a new, more efficient way of cloning zebra fish, a breakthrough detailed in the journal *Nature Methods*.

"After the mouse, it is the most commonly used vertebrate in genetic studies," says Jose Cibelli, an MSU professor of animal science and one of the paper's co-authors. "It is used in cancer research and



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cardiovascular research because they have many of the same genes we have."

For more than 20 years, Cibelli says, zebra fish have also served as an excellent model for understanding normal development and birth defects. More recently,

“MSU’s new MRI is one of only three in the country and the first at an academic institution,” says Anthony Pease, diagnostic imaging section chief at MSU’s Veterinary Teaching Hospital (VTH), of the \$2 million project. “We will be able to look critically for the first time at many animal processes.”

VTH now offers every possible imaging technique, says hospital director Pat LeBlanc. That includes the new MRI, ultrasound and CT imaging, fluoroscopy and nuclear medicine.

### CROW SPECIES RE-EMERGES

The Banggai crow, a species believed to be extinct, has re-emerged on a remote, mountainous Indonesian island. The *Corvus unicolor* was discovered by two Indonesian ornithologists, but it took the expertise of MSU zoologist Pamela Rasmussen, a renowned species sleuth, to confirm the crow’s identity. Rasmussen, who also is assistant curator of mammalogy and ornithology at the MSU Museum, is the author of the two-volume *Birds of South Asia: The Ripley Guide*.



Photo by Philippe Verhelten

*The Banggai crow was spotted in the forests of Pelang Island, Indonesia, and identified by MSU expert Pamela Rasmussen.*

### OSTEOPATHIC MED OPENS IN DETROIT

MSU’s College of Osteopathic Medicine celebrated its new campus in Detroit on Sept. 17. The expansion into Southeast Michigan addresses the state’s

physician shortage and will also improve medical education.

The event was held at the college’s new facility at the Detroit Medical Center, where students began classes for the first time earlier this summer. “We will be teaching our students in an environment that will help them to learn how to meet the needs of an urban population,” says Dean William D. Strampel. Adds Mike Duggan, president of the Detroit Medical Center, “The College of Osteopathic Medicine will play a critical role in reducing the physician shortage in our community.”

The college’s expansion also includes a new campus at the Macomb University Center in Clinton Township, where a new facility will be completed next year. Students currently are using existing classroom space.

### MSU HELPS MAP SPUD GENOME

The potato, arguably the world’s most important vegetable, has had its genome sequenced with the help of MSU scientists.

Robin Buell, MSU associate professor of plant biology, was part of the group that released the first draft sequence. “This will help breeders improve yield, quality, disease resistance and nutritional value,” says Buell, a member of the Potato Genome Sequencing Consortium, a team of 39 scientists from 14 countries, that began the project in 2006.

The complete sequence is estimated to be 840 million base pairs, about one-quarter the size



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of the human genome.

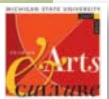
Buell, along with Dave Douches, an MSU crop and soil sciences professor, is leading a \$5.4 million U.S. Dept. of Agriculture grant research project to improve the quality, yield, drought tolerance, and disease resistance of potatoes and tomatoes.

**NEW MSU ART EXHIBIT**—“American Modernism, 1920s-1940s” at MSU’s Kresge Art Museum (Jan. 11-Mar. 14) features painting, sculpture, prints and decorative art from the museum’s collection, including the two works depicted here.

• For more information, visit [www.artmuseum.msu.edu](http://www.artmuseum.msu.edu).

*Hananiah Harari (American, 1912-2000) The Birth of Venus, 1936 Oil on canvas, 44 x 56 inches Kresge Art Museum, MSU purchase, funded by the Nellie M. Loomis Endowment in memory of Martha Jane Loomis, 2009.9*

*James McConnell (American, 1914-1988) Head #3, 1946 Screenprint, 15-1/2 x 11 inches Kresge Art Museum, MSU, gift of Geraldine Laetz Molloy in memory of Philip Molloy, 94.1.5*



## MSU KUDOS

Every semester MSU faculty, staff, and students garner kudos too numerous to list exhaustively here. Some examples:

► **Ram Narasimban**, University Distinguished Professor and the John H. McConnell Professor of Business Administration in the Eli Broad College of Business, has received the Distinguished Global Academic Leadership award from the Pan-Pacific Business Association.

► **James M. Pivarnik**, director of MSU's Center of Physical Activity and Health and president of the American College of Sports Medicine, Indianapolis, IN, has been named by Coca-Cola as one of 20 torchbearers for the upcoming Olympic Torch Relay leading up to the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games.

## PARKINSON'S CENTER LOCATES AT MSU

Researchers from MSU and the University of Cincinnati have been awarded a \$6.2 million Morris K. Udall Center of Excellence for Parkinson's disease grant.

The grant, from the National Institute for Neurological Disorders and Stroke at the National Institutes of Health, makes MSU's College of Human Medicine a major player in research of the degenerative disease.

Two new MSU researchers, Jack Lipton and Caryl E. Sortwell, will share the award with Cincinnati investigators. Control of the Udall Center will begin to transfer to MSU next summer when Director Timothy Collier and his research team assemble at MSU's College of Human Medicine in Grand Rapids.

The MSU scientists will conduct their Parkinson's disease research in the new Van Andel Institute Phase II expansion. "The Udall Center of Excellence designation brought to MSU by our new Parkinson's disease research cluster speaks to the caliber of researchers we are able to recruit to Grand Rapids because of our unique health science partnerships," says Marsha Rappley, dean of the College of Human Medicine.

## MEDICINE EXPANSION IN UPPER PENINSULA

To help disadvantaged students and expand underserved areas of medicine, MSU's College of Human Medicine is partnering with two Upper Peninsula universities to provide links between premedical students and MSU's medical school.

Michigan Technological University and Northern Michigan University are partnering with MSU in the Early Assurance Program for admission.

"This is a long-term vision for enhancing health care in these communities beyond, as many of these students will likely return to the Upper Peninsula to practice," says James Randolph Hillard, MSU associate provost for Human Health Services.

The Early Assurance Program provides an enhanced opportunity for admission to medical school to qualified premedical students who wish to practice in the underserved areas. During their junior year, students who excel in the undergraduate programs may apply to the College of Human Medicine; selected students will be assured of admission.

## MSU HAS ALWAYS BEEN GREEN

*By Stella Cash, MS '80, MSUAA interim executive director*

Before the fall colors faded into a Michigan winter, autumn MSUAA activities included record attendance at away tailgates, a very successful homecoming parade with the theme of "MSU Has Always Been Green," a sold out Green and White Brunch, and a Grand Awards ceremony that honored 12 recipients in 5 categories of awards: Distinguished Alumni, Philanthropist, Alumni Service, Honorary Alumni and Distinguished Young Alumni.

On October 24, Sparty—the most recognizable mascot in the nation and three-time National Mascot Champion—celebrated

his 20th birthday. Forty-two of the 47 former mascots returned to campus to celebrate the mascot program. John Madden, MSU marching band director, was the keynote speaker.

MSUAA Career Services continues to see record numbers of alumni, doubling the number of one-to-one career counseling appointments in 2009 over 2008. Corporate engagement remains a high priority and in October over 200 recruiters, many of whom were MSU alumni, attended an alumni event hosted by MSUAA Career Services. The focus of the event is to re-connect MSU alumni, who are recruiting students, back to the university. MSU Career Services continues to utilize social/professional networks to connect alumni to opportunity running the fifth largest university LinkedIn Group in the world with 15,000 MSU members.

Since the beginning of September, MSUAA regional clubs have

planned, promoted, and managed nearly 500 events, with an estimated cumulative attendance of over 16,000 alumni and friends.

The Young Alumni Committee of the MSUAA Executive Board launched a pilot initiative aimed at the recruitment and retention of young alumni within the MSU Alumni Association, "Spartans Give Back." Today's Generation Y is interested in value-driven projects that support the greater good. The "Spartans Give Back" program provided young alumni the ability to serve their community, become engaged with their local club, and act as stewards of the land-grant mission of Michigan State University.

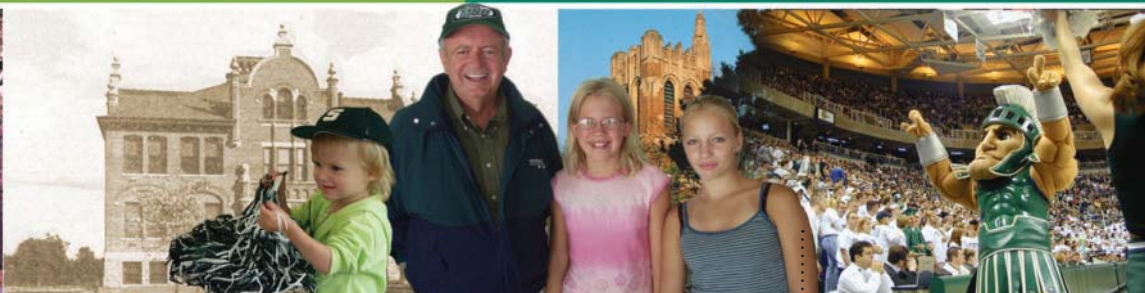
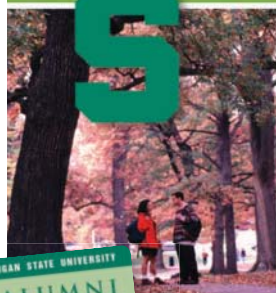
The alumni engagement unit collaboration with International Studies and Programs, as well as the Office of Admissions, has yielded numerous opportunities for international alumni and future students to engage in meaningful conversations about

the university. We are expanding interactions with MSU Career Services, which will increase collaborative opportunities for current students and alumni living abroad.

We are pleased to announce our new online shopping experience called [Marketpl@ce](http://Marketpl@ce). In the comfort of your home, we provide the perfect solution for one-stop shopping for all things green and white. Whatever your gift needs for family, friends, or just because, you'll have fun browsing through our collection of Spartan items. Go to [www.msualum.com](http://www.msualum.com) and let the fun begin. A portion of sales from each vendor supports the Alumni Association. Happy Shopping.

As we begin to think about summer activities, your alumni association will be offering for the first time, a family summer camp experience on beautiful Torch Lake in northern Michigan.

► Check the [msualum.com](http://msualum.com) Web site for more details.



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# SPARTAN PROFILES

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*VanRooyen is conducting research in a rural area near Bukavu, Democratic Republic of Congo, trying to determine the causes for the use of sexual violence as a weapon by local militias.*

## **MICHAEL VANROOYEN: GLOBAL DISASTER RELIEVER**

Growing up in St. Johns, he won every merit badge as a Boy Scout but flunked his First Aid class. One day, he was on the scene of a tractor accident and was very impressed by the calmness and professionalism of emergency doctors who saved the accident victim. Years later he became an emergency physician himself and has written 50 publications, including a textbook, *Emergency Field Medicine*. “It’s unlike any other field of medicine,” says Dr. *Michael VanRooyen*, ’84, associate professor at Harvard’s School of Public Health and at Harvard Medical School, and an emergency medicine specialist at Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA. “It’s fast-paced and the needs are tremendous. You not only have to be really good talking to people and listening to them, you have to make life-and-death decisions very quickly.” As co-director of the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative, which he helped found in 2005, VanRooyen has also emerged as a household name in international disaster

relief. “[A crisis zone] is almost like the emergency room of the world,” explains Michael. “(You have) the worst forms of human vulnerability, the worst forms of violence against people, and the most difficult environment. It’s an opportunity for tremendous innovation and engagement.” Michael credits MSU with expanding his horizons. “Going to MSU, especially Lyman Briggs, which has some amazing people, was absolutely transformative,” he says. Then in 1987 and 1988, while in medical school, Michael served on disaster relief missions in India, Geneva, and El Salvador, and has since worked in Kenya, Somalia, Bosnia, Sarajevo, Sudan, Rwanda, North Korea, Kosovo, Iraq, and Honduras—braving crises such as civil wars, hurricanes, and genocides. In 1996, caught in a civil war raging in Zaire, he had a gun put in his mouth and was imprisoned for five days by local soldiers. “It was scary,” he recalls. But in March 2009 he was back there—now the Democratic Republic of Congo—to research the prevalent use of sexual violence as a weapon by local militias.

## **HAL WOCHHOLZ: BREAKING STEREOTYPES**

In the 1940s, he won nine athletic letters at Albion High School. He went to Purdue University in 1949 to play football, but enlisted in the Navy two years later when the Korean War broke out. In 1954, while serving in Millington, TN, he was stricken with polio—six months before Salk’s vaccine was released. After his discharge in 1955, *Hal Wochholz*, ’58, MS ’59, wanted to finish his engineering degree at the University of Michigan, where many of his family had attended. “The university was in a downtown area, with lots of sidewalks and curbs,” recalls Wochholz, now retired and living in Arizona. “It was not very accessible.” By contrast, he discovered, MSU had facilities that were far more user-friendly for handicappers. “It couldn’t have worked out better,” says Hal. “We owe a sincere debt to MSU, and that’s why a quarter of our estate will go to MSU’s RCPD

(Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities).” Hal and his lifelong partner Phyllis visited MSU last June and were very impressed with the RCPD under director Mike Hudson. “We were blown away,” says Hal. “They provide handicapper services—I love that term—for the blind, the deaf and everything in between.” After completing his MSU degrees in electrical engineering, Hal broke stereotypes by excelling as a computer design engineer for General Electric Co.—sharing an “Engineer of the Year” award in the Missile and Space Division. After a stint as assistant professor at the University of New Hampshire, he returned to industry and became vice president of engineering at Northeast Electronics Co., and later vice president of engineering at McDonnell Douglas Electronics Co. and director of its Electronics and Flight Controls Division, providing development support for the Apache helicopter. After he retired from the company—Boeing Corp. following a corporate merger—he led educational initiatives in Arizona

*Hal and Phyllis Wochholz visited MSU’s Resource Center for People with Disabilities in June.*



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school districts and universities. In 2004 he was named “Rotarian of the Year” partly for his role in the “End Polio Now” campaign. During his career, he found time to engage in MSU affairs, serving as chairman of the alumni board of the College of Engineering in 1981. In 1990 he received the college’s “Claud R. Erickson Award.” He and his wife Phyllis are members of MSU’s Shaw Society.

**ANDREA GULLICKSON: WIZARDS! OF THE OBOE**

Growing up in Walhalla, ND, she was the only oboe player in town. When she was in fifth grade, about to choose a musical instrument, her older sister suggested she choose the oboe because she’d play all the solos. “So, being an obedient child, that was my choice,” recalls *Andrea Gullickson*, BM ’81, professor of music at Butler University, Indianapolis, IN, and one of the nation’s top oboe performers—a winner of many performance awards and star of several CDs. “We had a great music program at Walhalla,” Gullickson recalls. “Our high school had 200 students and a 100-piece band.” Andrea spent a couple of summers at Interlochen, where she met MSU oboe professor Dan Stolper (now retired), who convinced her to come to East Lansing. “MSU was an eye-opening experience,” she recalls. “We had a great studio of oboe players.” Since MSU, Andrea has maintained an active performance schedule with chamber music, solo recital and concerto appearances throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. *The Journal of the International Double Reed* has said that “she plays with a beautiful sense of line and shape.” Andrea is a founding member of the highly acclaimed chamber ensemble, WiZARDS! A Double Reed Consort, which is dedicated



to the expansion of the body of double reed repertoire. WiZARDS! has amassed a library of more than 400 double reed compositions and presented concerts and master classes in 18 states. Andrea has received rave reviews for performances in Carnegie Hall and across Europe, China and Australia, as well as for her CDs, beginning with *The Poetic Oboe* (Crystal Records) in 2004. A later recording, *Down a River of Time* (Cala), was recorded with the Czech Philharmonic Chamber Orchestra in 2006. Her latest CD is *Oboe Celebrations*:

*Music to Lift the Spirits and Set the Imagination Dancing* (Delos).

**PAULA OGSTON: JUMP JUST BECAUSE**

Their original intent was not to create something that would get the attention of national media, like National Public Radio. They were just college students having “goofy fun,” in the words of *Paula Ogston*, ’04, a doctoral student at Virginia Commonwealth University. Ogston and three friends from Richmond, VA, founded *jumpbecause.com* for fun. A year ago, says Paula, she was vacationing in Virginia

Beach with friends Sarah Branigan, Lily Christon and Erin Johnson. “We were just kind of goofing around, and we started taking pictures (of us jumping),” says Ogston. “We thought it was funny, so we kept doing it.” They posted the photos on Flickr, and soon were featured in the “Week-end America” radio show. They created a Web site where others can post their jumping pictures. In the next year, thousands of people from every continent and mostly unknown to them posted jumping photos. “People from around the world love this idea,” says Paula. “It’s pretty exciting. We have no idea how people hear about this site, but every now and then, someone tells us.” Recently, for example, they received photos from a college student in China who apparently learned of the Web site from a student newspaper. A native of Haslett, Paula majored in psychology and loves the campus. Last summer, she returned to East Lansing and did a photo-jump in MSU’s Beal Gardens. “It doesn’t get old for us,” says Paula. “It’s kind of a nice distraction from what we’re doing.”



*Paula Ogston (second from left) and her friends (l to r) Lily Christon, Erin Johnson, and Sarah Branigan recently performed this jump at Tuckahoe Plantation in Richmond, VA.*



*Dayne Walling and his family were up early on election day. He was elected mayor of Flint with 64 percent of the vote.*

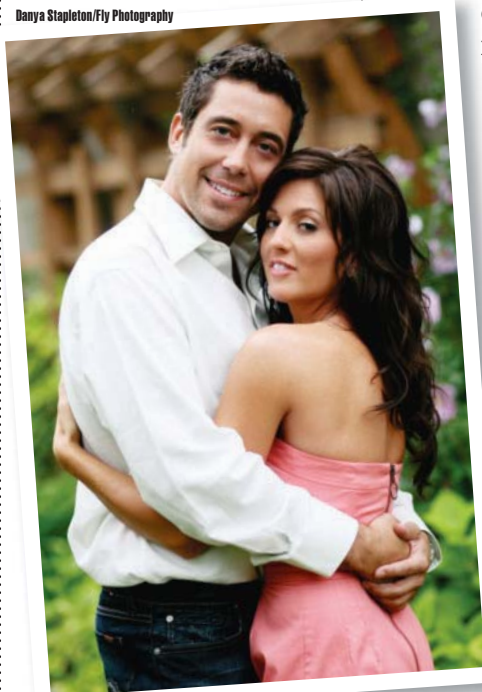
**DAYNE WALLING:  
A RISING FLINTSTONE**

He grew up in Flint, a city facing nearly 30 percent unemployment on top of the usual urban problems. With degrees from MSU, Oxford University (where he was a Rhodes Scholar) and London University, *Dayne Walling*, '96, could have pursued a corporate career in a big metropolis. Instead, he chose to lead the fight to revitalize the city. "Flint is my home town," explains Walling, who was elected mayor in August. "This place opened so many things for me. It paved the way for me to attend MSU and then to become a Rhodes Scholar." Dayne captured 64 percent of the vote and won 35 precincts, five with a predominantly black population. "We need to build collaborative bridges," he says. "In the past we've been divided—management vs. union, black vs. white, the affluent vs. working class. The only way we succeed is to work together." Reputed to be innovative and efficient, Dayne

has organized community meetings in each ward and engaged hundreds of citizens to help the cause. "My goal is to recycle the city," he says. "Let's get vacant and abandoned land back into productive use." To make up for the decline of auto industry jobs, Dayne wants to leverage Flint's location as a hub for commercial traffic between Chicago and Toronto. He also has a plan to reconfigure the downtown area so it integrates the campuses of the University of Michigan, Mott Community College and Kettering University. "I envision downtown as a common area for all our colleges," he enthuses. "Already we have four new restaurants that opened, bringing more than 100 jobs." So far, Dayne has generated enthusiasm and momentum for his ideas, gaining rare unanimous votes from the City Council. He is notching up the efficiency of city administration and made it a "drug free" workplace. "We're cleaning house," he says. A graduate of MSU's James Madison

College, Dayne credits Dean and Professor Katherine O'Sullivan See with being a great mentor who insisted that he produce quality work. What if, in a few years, Flint turns around and becomes a success? Says Dayne, "Then we'd have a heck of a story to tell."

*Danya Stapleton/Fly Photography*



**ED SWIDERSKI:  
BACHELORETTE STAR**

It looked like a fairy tale finish on July 27, when Jillian Harris, the fifth-season star of Warner Horizon's hit reality show "The Bachelorette," chose the winner and potentially her life partner. She accepted a diamond engagement ring from contestant *Ed Swiderski*, '02, a Chicago-based technology consultant for Microsoft, who proposed while on his knees. "I want you to be with me forever," he said. Jumping into his arms, she blurted "Absolutely!" But before the "happily ever after" stage had a chance to develop, tabloid rumors emerged about Swiderski's past relationships while professing his love for Jillian. "Yes, it turned into a mess," allows Ed. "Everything spun out of control, but that's the reality show blogosphere. We decided to take the high road and to not react to every new rumor. We chose to handle this just as any other strong couple would, and rely on our family and friends that helped us get through it." Indeed, two months after the finale, Jillian had moved into Ed's home in Chicago, and the two plan to be married in British

Columbia sometime in 2010. "It's absolutely real," says Ed. "Jillian is my true love, my best friend. We've been able to weather the storm, and in fact, it made our relationship stronger." A native of Monroe, Ed chose MSU because "it had a great social atmosphere." He majored in telecommunication, and found a great mentor in Professor Pamela Whitten, now dean of the College of Communication Arts & Sciences. "I loved my MSU ex-

Courtesy of Jason Colthorp



perience,” recalls Ed. “It had more impact on my life than any other experience. I learned as much from people and friends in social groups as I did in an academic setting.” Ed has maintained active ties with his alma mater, having served as vice president of the board of directors of MSU’s Alumni Club of Chicago. He is also a member of MSU’s President’s Club donor society. Meanwhile, his relationship with “The Bachelorette” remains strong. In September, he appeared on the *Ellen DeGeneres Show* and stated, “We want everybody to know we are extremely happy and in love.”

### JASON COLTHORP: LIVE WITH KELLY RIPA

Many local television journalists would love to host a national show. That’s why thousands of candidates vied to fill in as co-host of *Live With Regis and Kelly* for one day last summer. But only five were chosen, among them *Jason Colthorp*, ’97, evening news anchor for WILX-TV (Channel 10) in Lansing. On Thursday, August 6, Colthorp made his debut alongside co-host Kelly Ripa. “The only word that I use to describe the experience is ‘fun,’” says Jason, noting that on that day he became the 13th most searched item in Google. “I was incred-

ibly nervous, but excited. When I walked out, I settled down and was able to just be myself and not force anything.” Seconds before walking on stage, Ripa told him, “America is going to eat you up!” By all accounts, Jason acquitted himself with great aplomb. He remained cool in his repartee and, in his words, “let the show come to me.” Among his more memorable moments was arm wrestling with Ripa and receiving a kiss on the cheek from *Entourage* star Jeremy Piven. A native of Lansing, Jason joined WILX-TV in 2000 as a sports reporter after spending a couple of years as the stadium emcee for the Lansing Lugnuts, a minor league baseball team. In between innings, Jason hollered “Go Nuts For Donuts” in one of the more popular games, something he included in his audition tape. He coaches his older daughter in a local soccer team and is known for doing dead-on impressions of local celebrities like Tom Izzo and sportscaster Tim Staudt. Last fall he performed as emcee of the MSU Alumni Association’s Green and White Homecoming Brunch. Will his national appearance open future doors? “I don’t know at this point, but it has allowed me to be in contact with people,” says Jason. “My wife (Ju-

lie) and I are both from Lansing and we’re very happy here, but we’re open to opportunities.”

### WILLIAM BROHN: LEADING BROADWAY ORCHESTRATOR

Few people have enjoyed more influence over Broadway musicals than *William David Brohn*, ’55, the world’s leading orchestrator in the past two decades. Among many honors, Brohn won the 1998 Tony Award for *Ragtime* and was nominated for *Sweet Smell of Success* (2002) and *Wicked* (2004). On October 4, a special one-night gala, “Broadway to West End—By Special Arrangement,” was held at London’s Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, to celebrate his work spanning both sides of the Atlantic—such as orchestrations for *Carousel*, *Crazy For You*, *Curtains*, *Les Miserables*, *Mary Poppins*, *Miss Saigon*, *My Fair Lady*, *Oklahoma!*, *Oliver!*, *Show Boat*, *South Pacific*, *The Three Musketeers*, and *The Witches of Eastwick*. “It was a smash,” says Brohn, back in New York City. “I was humbled and moved to tears at the same time. The role of orchestrator through the years has been one of a helper to the composer. To have all this attention lavished on me was a bit embarrassing.” The event raised

money for a children’s cancer fund. “They do a lot of beautiful work in England,” says Bill of the charity. Attending the London gala were some of Broadway’s and the West End’s biggest stage stars, including Claude Michel Schonberg, composer of *Miss Saigon*, originally orchestrated by Brohn, and *Les Miserables*. “He got up on stage and recounted our work on *Miss Saigon* in London, which was 20 years ago,” recalls Bill. “That, too, moved me to tears.” It was that job that launched Bill’s amazing career. “Prior to that, I never had anything close to a hit. You know how they say you’re not a prophet in your own land. Well, after returning from England, the phone started ringing.” Bill remains a strong supporter of MSU’s College of Music, having established an endowed scholarship fund. He is a member of MSU’s Hannah donor society and the MSU Alumni Association. He currently serves on the college’s Leadership Council and was the college’s commencement speaker in 2008. What advice would he give a student who wishes to pursue a Broadway music career? “First and foremost,” says Bill, “get a completely thorough music education. Then you’re armed.”



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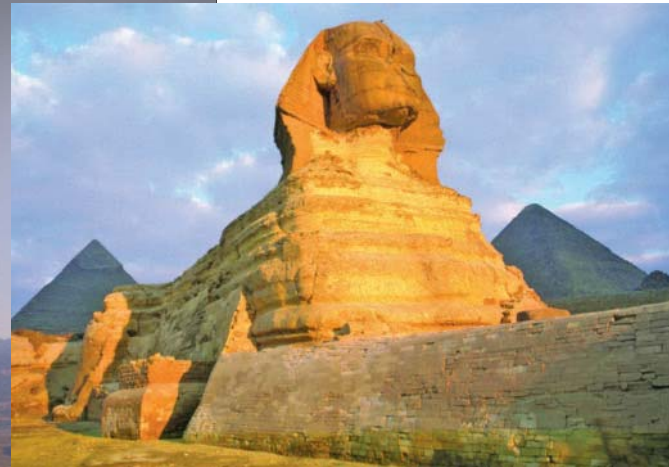
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Program Type: Land

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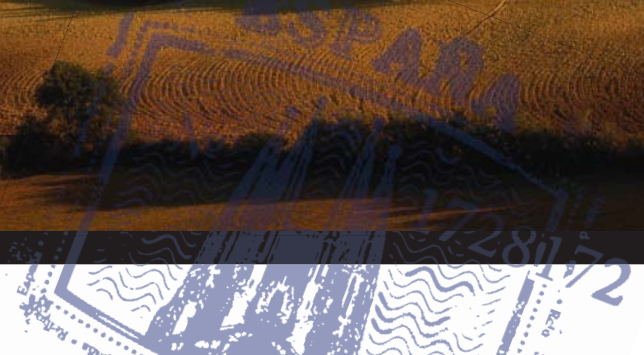
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March 5–13 **Wait List Status**

From: \$3,895 pp + air

Program Type: Cruise

Gohagan & Co.



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featuring MSU Host  
Dr. Linda Roberts  
March 6–20  
Program Type: Land & Cruise  
From: \$4,995 pp + air  
Alumni Holidays International

Highlights:  
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**Caribbean Discovery**

March 9–21 **Wait List Status**  
From: \$3,998 pp including air  
Program Type: Cruise

Go Next  
Highlights:  
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**Asian Explorations**

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May 18–26 **Wait List Status**  
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Highlights:  
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**Celtic Lands**

May 25–June 3 **Wait List Status**  
Program Type: Cruise  
From: \$3,995 pp + air  
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Highlights:  
Paris • Honfleur • Isles of Scilly • Cork • Dublin • Holyhead • Iona • Isle of Mull • Portree • Isle of Skye • Kirkwall • Orkney Islands • Edinburgh

**Paris to Normandy**

May 31–June 8  
Program Type: Cruise  
From: \$2,694 pp + air

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Highlights:  
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**National Parks**

June 26–July 7  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$3,449 pp including air  
Collette Vacations  
Highlights:  
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**Bavaria and Oberammergau**

July 1–12 **New Dates**  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$3,995 pp + air  
Alumni Holiday International  
Highlights:  
Rothenburg ob der Tauber • Ulm • Lake Constance • Oberstaufen • Ettal • Neuschwanstein • Oberammergau - Passion Play • Munich

**Canadian Rockies by Train**

July 22–30  
Program Type: Land & Rail  
From: \$4,049 pp including air  
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Highlights:  
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## Canadian Maritimes

July 24–August 2  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$2,995 pp + air  
Alumni Holidays International  
Highlights:  
Halifax • Saint John • Bay of Fundy •  
Charlottetown • Baddeck • Wolfville

## Paris & London

August 6–14  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$3,049 pp including air  
Go Next  
Highlights:  
Paris • Montmartre • Louvre  
Museum • Moulin Rouge • Versailles  
• Giverny & Monet's House  
• London • Windsor Castle  
• Stratford & Oxford



## Historic Trains of California

August 15–24  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$2,849 pp including air  
Collette Vacations  
Highlights:  
San Francisco • Sonora • Yosemite  
National Park • Jamestown –  
Railtown • Lake Tahoe • Sacramento  
River Train – “Great Train Robbery”  
• Napa Valley Wine Train • Fort  
Bragg • Skunk Train • Sausalito

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Highlights:  
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## Waterways of Russia

September 2–12  
Program Type: Cruise  
From: \$2,995 pp + air  
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Highlights:  
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• Goritsy • Kizhi Island • Mandrogi  
• St. Petersburg

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Program Type: Cruise  
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Gohagan & Co.  
Highlights:  
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• Santorini • Delos • Mykonos

## Dubai featuring a visit to MSU Dubai

September 17–25  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$3,799 pp including air  
Go Next  
Highlights:  
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Tour • Abu Dhabi • Fujairah •  
Jumeirah Mosque • Desert Safari

## Grand Journey Around the World

September 19–October 13  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$29,995 pp including business  
class air  
Alumni Holiday International  
Highlights:  
Tokyo • Kyoto • Beijing • Great Wall  
• Bangkok • Dubai • Cairo • Karnak  
& Luxor • Memphis • Sakkara • Petra  
• Jerusalem • Dead Sea • Rhine Valley  
• Rüdeshheim



## Best of Tanzania

September 19–October 1  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$4,898 pp + air  
Safari Legacy  
Highlights:  
Lake Manyara National Park  
• Ngorongoro Crater • Olduvai  
Gorge • Serengeti National Park  
• Arusha

## Saxony Cruise on the Elbe River

September 24–October 2  
Program Type: Cruise  
From: \$2,795 pp + air  
Alumni Holidays International  
Highlights:  
Berlin • Potsdam • Wittenberg  
• Torgau • Dresden • Saxon Alps  
• Prague

## Sicily ~ Syracuse & Palermo

September 24–October 4  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$2,395 pp + air  
Alumni Holidays International  
Highlights:  
Syracuse • Mount Etna • Taormina •  
Palermo • Monreale • Erice • Segesta  
• Cefalú

## Treasures of Morocco

October 1–10  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$3,095 pp + air  
Alumni Holidays International  
Highlights:  
Casablanca • Rabat • Meknes •  
Volubilis • Fez • Marrakech

## Provincial French Countryside

October 8–22  
Program Type: Land

From: \$4,795 pp including air  
Odysseys Unlimited  
Highlights:  
Toulouse • Carcassonne • Albi  
• Sarlat • Rocamadour • Lascaux II  
• Limoges • Chinon • Saumur  
• Chenonceaux • Mont-St-Michel  
• Bayeux • Caen • D-Day Beaches  
• Honfleur • Giverny • Paris

## Crossroads of the Classical Mediterranean

October 24–November 1  
Program Type: Cruise  
From: \$2,995 pp + air  
Gohagan & Co.  
Highlights:  
Venice • Split • Dubrovnik  
• Taormina • Naples • Bonifacio • Nice

## Journey to Vietnam

featuring MSUAA Executive  
Director Stella Cash  
October 27–November 11  
Program Type: Land  
From: \$4,195 pp including air  
Odysseys Unlimited  
Highlights:  
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# MSUAA CAREER SERVICES

## Gives Members an Occupational Edge



By Robert Bao

**Alumni career services have been ramped up, a timely bonus to help many weather the economic downturn that has uniquely impacted Michigan.**

Robin Miner-Swartz, '93, wanted to be a newspaper writer since age 11. Her dream job is the one she currently has as features writer and editor at the *Lansing State Journal*.

In recent months, she notes, "I saw the newspaper industry crumble around me, and saw people lose their jobs in a blink."

When she was furloughed a couple of times earlier this year, she decided to be proactive and take charge of her future path. She took some

seminars and webinars on social media, and then one day, in April, she attended a career presentation at MSU's College of Communication Arts & Sciences. The speaker was John Hill, executive director of MSU alumni career services.

Hill spoke about a number of topics related to job search—something that he has done at alumni meetings around the country, some 200 times in the past year,

often to overflow crowds. It's part of Hill's goal to help the Alumni Association engage alumni. Hill focuses on the power of Linked-In, an online networking site with some 100,000 Spartans participating. Some 15,000 of them, including both employers and job-seekers, are a part of the MSU Alumni Association network—the largest Spartan group in Linked-In. Robin says she was "energized" by Hill's enthusiasm and joined this group. While exploring the site, she found David

# Resume CAREER

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*John Hill has made nearly 200 presentations this past year on how to network and seek career change.*



Isbell, coordinator of alumni career services, who holds a joint appointment between the MSUAA and MSU Career Services.

Isbell's profile reads, "I help adults to figure out what they do best and then how to communicate that to people who will pay them for it."

Robin promptly contacted Isbell and set up an appointment. Eventually, a few meetings later, Robin had completely reinvented herself to position herself in the job market should the need ever arise.

"The sessions with Dave were really thought-provoking," says Robin. "He had me do a series of very revealing exercises. I always thought of myself as a journalist, but that was very limiting. He had me take an objective look at my skills and assets, get a much clearer picture of myself, broaden my outlook, and construct my dream job."

"Before working with Dave, I was completely unprepared. I hadn't written a resume in 15 years. After this process, I feel reinvigorated about my current job, but if that were to end, I feel

that I'm very well prepared to present myself as I re-enter the job market."

Robin says she has learned how to network and how to market herself. "My old resume was dull," she says. "In my new resume, I introduce myself as someone who is passionate about affecting change via social media. I am completely sold on what the MSU Alumni Association provides as far as career

as an admissions representative for Davenport University, Grand Rapids, after heeding advice from Isbell. "We had a 45-minute conversation on the phone," she recalls. "He brought up at least three things I hadn't thought of that were very helpful." Isbell advised Kaminski to seek a certification process, to tell people how her skills could help them, and to work at networking, especially

industries coming and going, you need to be able to transition your skills."

With Hill aggressively pursuing an external strategy to engage alumni, more and more alumni have become part of the MSU network, both online and as participants of club activities, and have availed themselves of alumni career services. Both Hill and Isbell also use other social media, such as Facebook and Twitter, to leverage more connectivity among Spartans. They each have more than 500 followers on Twitter, with the number growing every week.

"Social media provides us with a great tool for building environments where Spartans can help other Spartans," explains Hill. "Some can actually provide jobs and internships. This past year we engaged with some 25,000 people on a one-to-one basis, and many more online. In addition, it's a great tool to segment alumni. For example, I can tell you at any moment how many CEOs are MSU alumni living within 50 miles of Chicago."

The increased connectivity has been a boon to regional clubs, which are able to host



**"I feel reinvigorated about my current job, but if that were to end, I'm prepared to present myself as I re-enter the job market. I am completely sold on what the MSU Alumni Association provides as far as career services."**

— Robin Miner-Swartz

services, and I've told all my friends that that alone is worth the membership dues."

Robin is not alone in her enthusiasm for the MSUAA's alumni career services. Many others, some of them profiled below, benefited from the advice they received—including Emily Kaminski, '02, of Kentwood, who landed a job in November

through the use of social media. All came in handy. When she applied for her current job, a half dozen network friends sent recommendations to her would-be future boss.

"I've already recommended alumni career services to others," says Emily. "In this economy it's so hard to get a job. Even if you have a job, with



*Dave Isbell helps adults figure out what they do best, and how to communicate that to people who will pay them for it.*

# Skills Assets Connected Unpacked!

non-athletic events that drive attendance. Working closely with partnerships—including MSU Career Services, MSU colleges, alumni groups from coast to coast, other Big Ten alumni groups, and assorted civic groups—the Hill and Isbell team are hitting stride at an opportune time, with a 15 percent unemployment rate in Michigan wreaking uncertainty. Alumni are discovering the value of connectivity with fellow alumni, MSU, and the MSUAA. And testimonials, such as the ones from Miner-Swartz and Kaminski, continue to pour in.

Members of the MSU Alumni Association can enroll in *MySpartanCareer.com*, a web-based jobs database maintained by MSU Career Services for students and recent alumni. Some 2,000 alumni participate, as well as 3,542 unique employers with about 20,000 job postings in the past two years. It is more expansive than the previous MSUAA job-posting site. Hill says that providing alumni and students with a one-stop shop provides efficiencies for both job-seekers, who need to register once, and

for employers, who need to post job openings just once.

“Very few people get a job just because they found a job posting in a database,” says Isbell. “Getting a job is about connecting and collaborating with other people. It’s about who you know and how you present yourself. Once a job-seeker understands this, he or she will realize the real value of any database is that it can provide

because students are future alumni, and engaging them as students helps retain their interest as alumni. This fits in nicely with his overall goal of building a community of Spartans who can help each other.”

Bishop adds that Isbell holds a joint appointment with his organization and the MSUAA. He notes that they regularly meet, compare notes, and share contacts during employer visits.

of the Collegiate Employment Research Institute. Shortly after joining the MSUAA, Scheetz created an online job listing that gained some 1,500 registered users. *MySpartanCareer.com* has now taken its place.

“Having Patrick there made it very easy for us to have a collaborative relationship, and that continues to be the case,” says Bishop.

Hill and Isbell have broadened their approach to alumni career services. They have pursued many collaborations, including a relationship with MSU’s Office of Admissions. Hill plays a role in Academic Orientation Programs so he can capture the attention of new students. He also touts MSU’s alumni career services as a selling point to prospective students. Hill participates in Green and White Days, a recruiting event for high school juniors, as well as Inside MSU, a program for high school seniors who have been accepted by MSU. He and Bishop were co-speakers at last year’s Conference of Guidance Counselors—again, touting career services. In addition, Hill and Phil Gardner, director of MSU’s Collegiate



**“We had a 45 minute conversation on the phone. I learned at least three things I hadn’t thought of that were very helpful (in landing my new job).”**

– Emily Kaminski

a list of companies that employ people to get acquainted with.”

Kelley Bishop, executive director of MSU Career Services, touts the collaborative efforts between his unit and the MSUAA.

“John Hill often presents to student groups,” notes Bishop. “It’s great for the students and it’s great for the MSUAA,

“We’re on the same page,” he says. “That was also the case with Patrick Scheetz (who retired last year as director of alumni career services).”

Indeed, L. Patrick Scheetz created alumni career services in 1998 when he joined the MSUAA after having worked three decades at MSU Career Services—27 years as director



# Kaleb Thornhill



*“I learned what a great networking tool Linked-In could be,” he says, after using it to help land a coveted internship with the Detroit Lions.*

Kaleb Thornhill, '07, MS '09, credits alumni career services with helping him land a job as intern for the Detroit Lions director of Football Operations and director of Player Development.

A starting linebacker for MSU, Thornhill, who battled many injuries, decided to hang up his pads after graduation and get into sports administration. He says John Hill taught him how to network using Linked-In.

“He showed me what a great networking tool it could be,” says Kaleb. “I knew the head athletic trainer with the Detroit Lions, because he was also from MSU. We established a Linked-In relationship, and from there, I was able go forward. For example, I was able to see the profiles of others in the Lions organization before my job interview with them.

“I later created a Linked-In group for former MSU athletes,” adds Thornhill. “We now have about 150 people. We help each other keep up with job opportunities.”

As an intern, Kaleb is gaining valuable contacts with others in the Lions organization as well as throughout the National Football League. These contacts are an important part of professional networking, he says. “Who knows what can come up next,” he notes.

Employment Research Institute, have been co-speakers at a number of alumni events and career presentations.

Hill and Bishop, as well as Isbell, have submitted proposals to speak about social media at next year’s National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) conference, where thousands of university professionals gather.

A prolific speaker, Hill has been a whirlwind across the country, engaging thousands of alumni and promoting their engagement with MSU. He speaks at the Career Gallery at the Breslin Student Events Center, which saw an attendance of more than 5,000 students and about 330 employers. He participates in the Experience the Spirit program for recruiters who are MSU alumni. He gives countless presentations and workshops on campus, and many more outside of campus. His presentations in such Spartan-rich urban centers as Atlanta, Dallas, Detroit, Chicago, Grand Rapids, and New York have often resulted in overflow crowds.

“In our first Chicago event, half the attendance consisted of alumni who had never gone to an alumni event,” notes Hill. “We partnered with (advertising agency) Leo Burnett and were able to use their room for free. In Atlanta, we sent messages to 5,000 alumni in the area. We plan to take our career development model to market everywhere.”

Hill also works on collaborations with career services experts from other Big Ten schools, having done joint events with Michigan, Northwestern, Ohio State, and Wisconsin alumni career services.

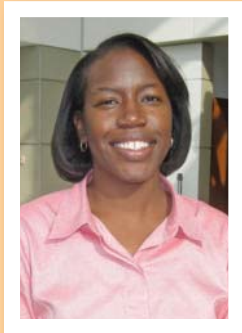
“We’re barely scratching the surface of where this can go,” he says, noting that in the process the MSUAA has gained many new memberships from alumni interested in career services. “We’re creating a sense that MSU is there when they need us, so they’ll be there when we need them,” adds Hill. “We’re fostering good relations.”

*Meanwhile, as alumni engage more directly with the MSUAA and participate in face-to-face counseling, more testimonials emerge. Here are some samples:*

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## Rachel Copeland

*“Twitter and Linked-In cast a huge net over your area of interest. The more people you interact with, the more likely you’ll find a job if an opening appears.”*

Rachel Copeland, '95, a native of Grand Rapids, says the MSUAA helped her land a part-time job after she was laid off from her full-time job.

Rachel was laid off in June from her job as assistant program director at Tomorrow’s Child, a nonprofit organization focusing on infant mortality and grief services. She had previously worked as an outreach specialist and Medicaid supervisor for a statewide HMO. She found out about MSU alumni career services from the msualum.com Web site, and began to work with Dave Isbell.

“It was very helpful,” says Rachel, who had a face-to-face meeting as well as several phone conversations and e-mail exchanges. “He really helped me brand myself.

“He also walked through the process of using Twitter and Linked-In,” adds Rachel. “It’s an opportunity to cast a huge net over your area of interest. The more people you interact with, the more likely you will find a job opening if one appears. The key is to make as many connections as you can.”

Rachel says Isbell helped her rewrite her resume in a more dynamic manner—listing her goal upfront and portraying herself and her skills instead of just listing a series of jobs and education degrees.

In November, Rachel landed a part-time job with the Ingham County Health Dept. as a communicable disease investigator.



## Brian Everard

*“I haven’t landed a job yet, but I feel as though I’m flying to the destination. Alumni career services has been very helpful.”*

Brian Everard, '83, has a blue collar job in the uncertain automobile industry in Michigan, but is seeking a better, perhaps more stable job. He turned to alumni career services over a year ago and says the advice he has received has been “very helpful.”

“The process was very interesting,” says Everard, who lives in Dexter and has interacted with Dave Isbell by telephone. “It was a laboriously slow process, like having a professor who gives you homework assignments. I have like an inch-worth of notes.

“I haven’t landed a job, but I feel I’m flying to the destination.”

The first in his family to obtain a college degree, Brian had worked a number of jobs, such as manager of a warehouse operation, general manager of a property management company, and production coordinator for a water company. Before he contacted the MSUAA, Brian felt he lacked direction. “I still didn’t know what I wanted to do at 50,” he recalls.

Since working with Isbell, Brian has methodically identified his likes as well as his competencies to better understand himself and his assets. He has also learned how to engage in social networking via electronic means. He says he has learned how to market himself in today’s job world.

“I’m good at physical labor, but my intent is to use what’s between my ears,” he says, confident that he is doing all the right things to find a better career path.



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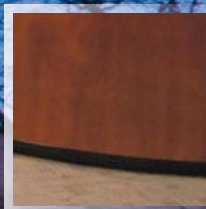
# Bright Lights. Big Makeover.

# The Wharton Center



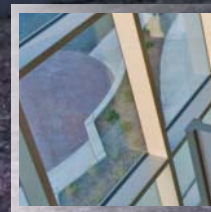
*By Kent A. Love, '93*

With its new \$18.5 million facelift, MSU's Wharton Center for Performing Arts solidifies itself as a statewide resource.



A little more than a year and a half ago, on May 19, 2008, ground was broken on the first major expansion and renovation to MSU's Wharton Center for Performing Arts, since opening its doors in 1982.

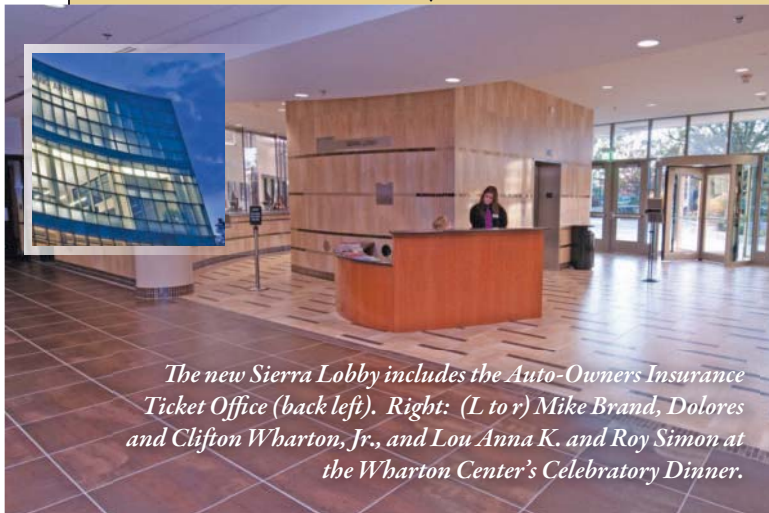
The 24,000-square-foot addition— together with another 9,000 square feet of existing space that was renovated—has dramatically changed the face of Wharton Center. New additions include a striking four-story glass and brick façade; an expanded front lobby, box office and gift shop; and family restrooms and additional women's restrooms.





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The new Sierra Lobby includes the Auto-Owners Insurance Ticket Office (back left). Right: (L to r) Mike Brand, Dolores and Clifton Wharton, Jr., and Lou Anna K. and Roy Simon at the Wharton Center's Celebratory Dinner.



The new addition also includes two new multi-purpose spaces to accommodate educational programs presented by the MSU Federal Credit Union Institute for Arts & Creativity at Wharton Center. These spaces also serve as a reception area and a designated donor lounge in conjunction with public performances presented by Wharton Center. In addition, the expansion also consolidated the administrative offices for the Wharton Center staff.

"The project allows us to enhance the 'Wharton Experience' for patrons and performers with more space and more amenities," says Mike Brand, Wharton Center's executive director. "The initial response has been overwhelmingly positive."

Additionally, a new crew room, restrooms, dressing rooms, and other enhancements help address touring production issues backstage.

"Previously, when we'd present a mega-hit like Disney's *The Lion King*, the show barely fit," says Diane Baribeau, Wharton Center's general manager. "The new

spaces and enhancements help solidify our reputation among producers and performers, as well as with our patrons."

Of the \$18.5 million cost for improvements, \$7.5 million came from the university while \$11 million is to be raised from private donations. To date, \$7 million has been gifted from individuals and businesses to support the project, which reopened its doors on October 10, 2009.

"This project wouldn't have been possible without the generous support of our university leadership, MSU alumni, and the greater community," Brand says. "Although we still have dollars to raise, we understand the economic challenges people are having. We're confident that, when things turn around, the community will step forward."

### The Vision

During the 1970s, MSU President Clifton R. Wharton, Jr., and his wife Dolores described the arts as a humanizing, unifying force in our world, bringing people together

across vast cultural, social, economic and geographic divisions. Their desire to create a world-class performing arts center for the MSU community and the residents of Michigan became a reality with the opening of the Wharton Center for Performing Arts.

"Wharton Center is a very special place," says MSU President Lou Anna K. Simon. "The Whartons understood in a fundamental way that arts, creativity, and the cultural aspects of a university that affect one's spirit and one's soul were very important and had to be recognized in the same way that a science complex had to be recognized as an integral part of the university. You have to celebrate arts and culture in the same way you would celebrate a terrific scientific discovery."

Since opening its doors, Wharton Center has become Michigan's largest and most diverse presenter of performing arts entertainment and education programs—a community gathering space for shared experiences that enrich lives and

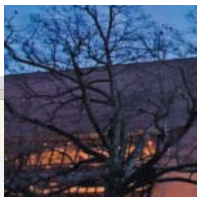
strengthen the value of the arts in everyday life.

"Michigan State University is a premier institution offering superb opportunities for individual development," says Dr. Wharton. "And the Wharton Center is one of MSU's major instruments for awakening joy in creative expression. Dolores and I have always considered the center a vital part of the Michigan State academic community."

After a tour of the enhanced facility, Dolores Wharton reminisced to a gathering of the Wharton Center staff, "When we began the conceptual push for this project in the 1970s, we never dreamed that it would become the exciting center which it is today. Now, Clif and I fervently applaud President Simon and Michael Brand for achieving this next step in the center's dynamic development."

### Internationally Recognized

From the best of touring Broadway shows such as upcoming productions of *A Chorus Line*, Rodgers and Hammerstein's *South Pacific*,



*Wharton Gifts boasts a bigger and brighter space. Right: The new Jackson Lounge can stage a variety of events, including the hosting of donors before performances.*



and a three-week engagement of *The Phantom of the Opera*, to the superstars and rising stars of performing arts including the Emerson String Quartet and jazz vocalist Esperanza Spalding, Wharton Center presents an impressive line-up of entertainment in four theatres across the MSU campus, as well as in venues, classrooms and community centers throughout the state.

Earlier this year, Wharton Center ranked in the top 20 among international venues of its size, based on mid-year reports for ticket sales. *Pollstar Magazine*, the industry source for concert and tour information, ranked Wharton Center's Cobb Great Hall #19 among similarly sized venues, based on tickets sold between January 2009 and June 2009. *Venues Today*, a leading publication covering live music, arts and sports in entertainment facilities around the world, ranked Wharton Center #11 based upon combined tickets sold from October 2008 to May 2009 in all four theatres operated by Wharton Center: Cobb Great Hall,

Pasant Theatre, MSU Concert Auditorium and Fairchild Theatre. Even more impressive, the rankings in both publications only included performances presented by Wharton Center, and did not include local and educational productions, such as the Lansing Symphony Orchestra, MSU Department of Theatre, and MSU College of Music, all of which present programs in Wharton Center venues.

"This is something the MSU community can be very proud of," says Brand. "Wharton Center and MSU continue to prove we're a major player in the world of performing arts entertainment. The rankings send a powerful message to show producers and promoters that Wharton Center is the place to be."

### More Than Entertainment

The "Wharton Experience" is more than what occurs between the curtain rising and the final standing ovation. Now in its second full year of operation, the MSU Federal Credit Union Institute for Arts and Creativity at Wharton Center integrates

the arts and academics, and presents innovative activities that take Wharton Center into the community.

"Wharton Center is playing a major role in how the arts are integrated into the lives of our residents, especially young people," says Brand. "It's one thing to see a world-renowned performer on stage, but it's another experience entirely when you understand the creative process behind the performance and interact directly with professional artists in one-on-one and group settings."

Dozens of school performances integrate performing arts into classroom curriculum. Professional development programs like Kennedy Center Partners in Education help educators learn to use the arts as a teaching tool. Unique programs like *Take It From The Top*, a series of interactive workshops taught by Broadway professionals, allow participants of all ages to learn from the pros. These programs, and many others, blend the arts and education into meaningful experiences for thousands of

participants each year, including more than 30,000 school children.

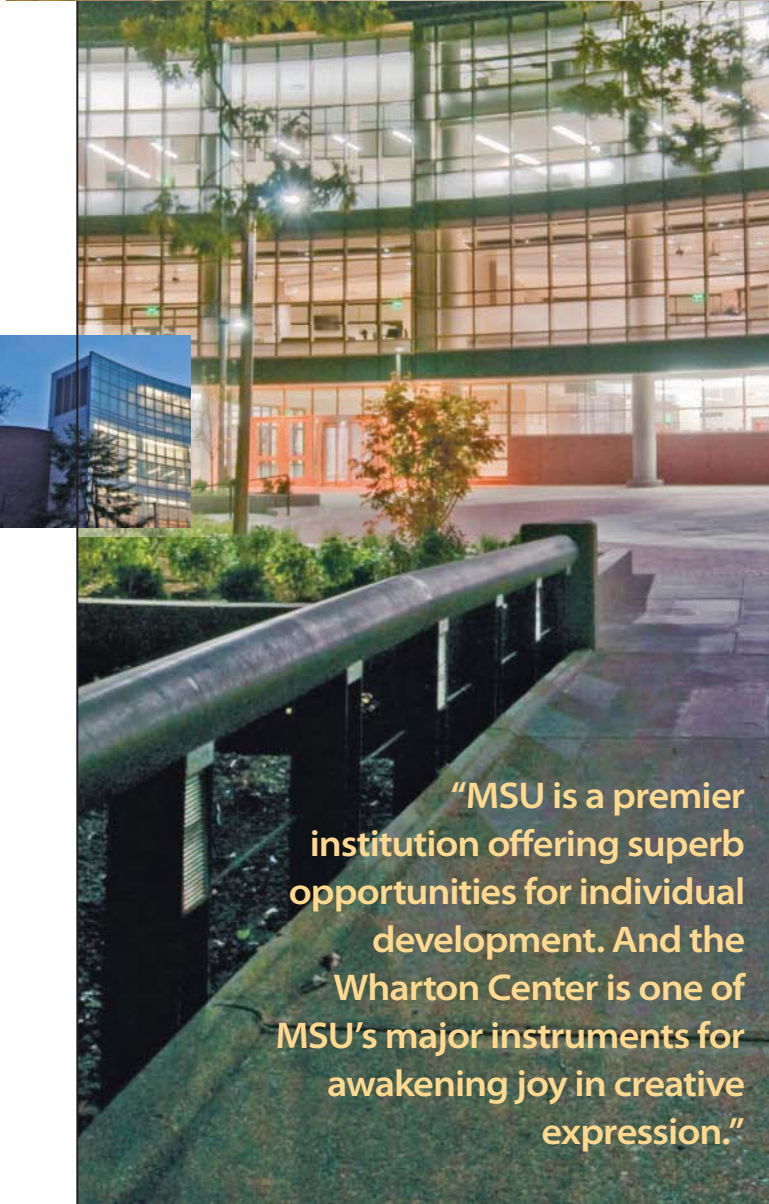
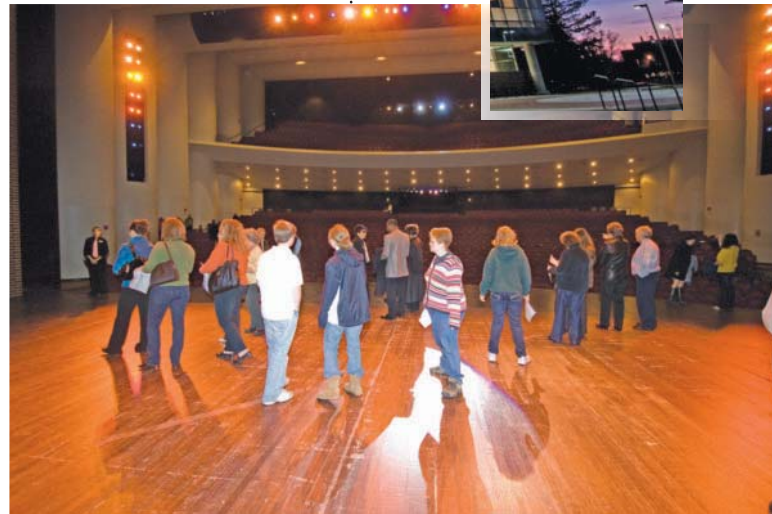
"*Take It From The Top* was an amazing experience for me," says Hayley Mulcrone, a recent workshop participant. "It was so nice to get to see and work with real Broadway actors and actresses. When I left here, I felt so much more confident about my skills, and I felt like I knew more than when I came in, which was really important."

Creative collaborations on campus and in the community, including residencies with acclaimed artists and arts organizations such as the Stratford Shakespeare Festival of Canada, allow professional performers to serve a dual role as teaching artists. These innovative programs integrate the creative process into all areas of study and interest, not just the arts. Additional artist residencies at Wharton Center for the 2009-2010 season include the innovative classical ensemble





*The Donor Wall recognizes the center's major contributors. Right: Patrons visit the Wharton Center stage during a recent open house.*



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The Ahn Trio, River North Chicago Dance Company, storyteller David Gonzalez, modern dance company Happendance, and others.

#### **A Statewide Resource**

Wharton Center doesn't limit its creative endeavors to the MSU campus. Its mission is more expansive and inclusive than the confines of campus and the mid-Michigan community. Wharton Center has a solid reputation as a leading resource for renowned arts entertainment and education programs, and collaborative partnerships throughout the state are vital to achieving its vision.

"It's about building partnerships and not simply deciding what the Wharton Center or MSU think is best, but rather working with the community to decide what we collectively think is best," Simon says.

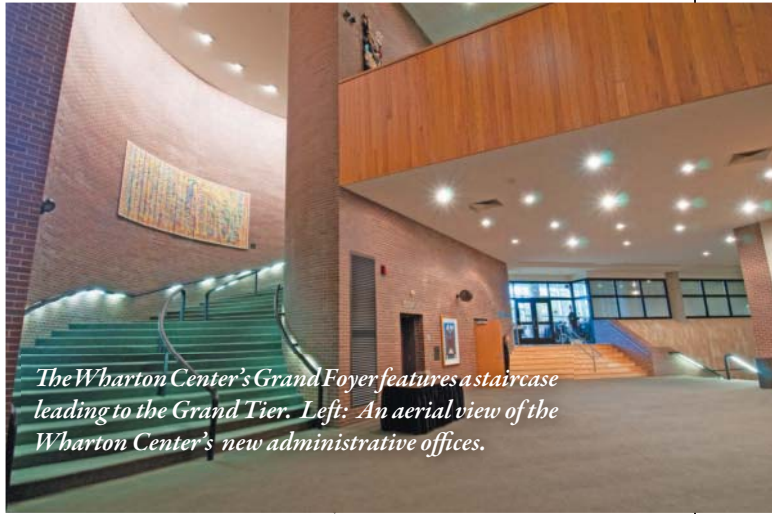
Unique partnerships are already in place in communities like Traverse City (Dennos Museum, Interlochen Arts Academy, Traverse City Area Public Schools) and most

recently in West Michigan (see adjacent article).

"We're taking the best of MSU and Wharton Center, and 'taking it on the road,'" Brand says. "We fully embrace our role as a statewide cultural resource."

The performances on the stages of Wharton Center and the programs presented throughout the community also serve as a cultural anchor for the region's quality of life and a cog in Michigan's economic engine. Wharton Center, and performing arts in general, is essential to the quality of life and community vibrancy helping reshape Michigan for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

"Arts and culture and a facility like Wharton Center go a long way in creating a sense of place," says Tim Daman, president and CEO of the Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce. "Being able to market Wharton Center as a key and integral part of a cultural economic development strategy is critical to attracting young, creative, knowledge-industry workers—the next generation of entrepreneurs."



*The Wharton Center's Grand Foyer features a staircase leading to the Grand Tier. Left: An aerial view of the Wharton Center's new administrative offices.*

**Community-Based,  
Community-Supported**

All of this would not be possible without a committed base of supporters who understand the value of performing arts in their lives and in their community. As a non-profit performing arts center, nearly all of Wharton Center's operating funds are derived from private dollars in the form of sponsorships, donations, and ticket sales. Additionally, more than 350 individuals volunteer their time and talents. Wharton Center is above all, a community-based, community-supported cultural resource for the MSU community and the people of Michigan.

"The great support we have from our donors, sponsors, and patrons means that the Wharton Center can continue to have these big dreams," President Simon says.

Kent A. Love, '93, is director of communications for Wharton Center for Performing Arts and he co-chairs the communicator team of MSU's Cultural Engagement Council.



**WHARTON CENTER PARTNERS WITH BROADWAY GRAND RAPIDS**

MSU's Wharton Center for Performing Arts has forged a unique partnership with Broadway Grand Rapids (BGR), a move designed to bring the best of Broadway and arts education programs to West Michigan.

The center has signed a management agreement to coordinate the day-to-day operations of the 21-year-old BGR, which presents and promotes touring Broadway productions at the DeVos Performance Hall in Grand Rapids.

"Our mission is to serve as a leading resource for renowned arts entertainment and education programs," says Mike Brand, executive director of Wharton Center. "This partnership will deepen our relationship with the West Michigan community and further

position Wharton Center and MSU as a leading resource for performing arts entertainment and education programs."

Starting with the 2010-11 season, Wharton Center will book and contract the annual Broadway series, supervise show marketing, coordinate production needs and present arts education programs through its MSU Federal Credit Union Institute for Arts and Creativity.

"This partnership will allow us to leverage Wharton Center's long-standing relationships with key producers to ensure the best of Broadway comes to West Michigan," says Harvey Gainey, president of Broadway of Grand Rapids board of directors. "Not only will it lead to high-quality touring productions, but also to

more people coming to the theater and more economic impact for the region."

In addition to managing the Broadway series, Wharton Center's MSUFCU Institute for Arts and Creativity, in its second year, will engage the West Michigan community with arts education programs such as artist residency workshops and partnerships with area schools.

"There is clearly a need to expand arts education in our state, and the institute welcomes the opportunity to use its resources to integrate the arts and academics for a statewide audience," Brand says. "We look forward to partnering with educators and residents in West Michigan to provide meaningful, participatory arts education programs."

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# CARBON2M

The MSU Carbon2Market Program  
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# MARKETS



By Jamie DePolo

*MSU is a world leader in using environmental research to make an impact globally while helping people better their lives.*



Michigan State University Professor of Forestry David Skole has been studying climate change for 25 years. As a member of the United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, he shared the Nobel Peace Prize with U.S. Sen. Al Gore in 2007. As leader of the MSU Carbon2Markets program, he's using basic and applied research to simultaneously fight global warming and

poverty, bettering lives, and positively affecting the planet.

"The Carbon2Markets work is the application of more than 20 years of basic research on tropical forest conversion and climate change," says Skole. "We're using remote sensing technology to enhance basic forestry techniques to develop climate change solutions."

One third of MSU's tri-part mission is to conduct high quality research that makes a positive difference, both locally and globally. Another third is to advance outreach and economic development activities that lead to a better quality of life for people and communities, at home and around the

world. The Carbon2Markets program elegantly achieves both of these goals.

Carbon2Markets combines sustainable forest management with emerging carbon markets in a unique effort to help small farmers in developing countries grow crops that will boost their standards of living and slow climate change. The program includes collaborative projects with farmers, researchers and government agencies in 10 Asian and African countries, including Thailand, Laos and Senegal. The farmer groups are integrating high-value forest crops, such as jatropha, teak or shea, into the crops they're currently growing using methods that are smart and sustainable. Then the farmers use accounting techniques and standards created by MSU remote sensing and geographical information systems experts to accurately measure and record the carbon stored by the trees and soil. Storing carbon in the soil and plants keeps it out of the atmosphere, which helps slow global warming.

Besides being one of the first efforts to help small landowners gain access to the carbon offset market, the project also helps support the research goals of its collaborators, such as the government of Thailand, which hasn't always been the case when developed countries work with developing countries.

"We are very pleased to be collaborating with Michigan State University on this project," says Anond Bunyaratvej, secretary general of the National Research Council of Thailand (NRCT) during a July interview. "The King of Thailand supports reforestation and the NRCT works to support the King's initiative. This project with MSU fulfills both of the



*David Skole is tagging trees as part of his system for measuring “carbon sequestration” in trees, which can help rural farmers gain carbon credits while creating economic value.*

*Anond Bunyaratvej, secretary general of the National Research Council of Thailand, says he is “very satisfied” with MSU’s work in helping establish agricultural sustainability in his country.*

NRCT’s objectives: to help people live and grow things sustainably, and to transition the country to a knowledge-based economy. There are very few projects that serve both purposes—we are very satisfied.”

“This is an exciting opportunity to leverage the growing carbon financial markets in the United States and Europe to assist poor farmers in developing countries,” says Skole. “The farmers can plant trees or participate in other vegetation regeneration projects and earn money, which can stimulate economic development in their communities, increase rural income, and promote natural resource conservation.”

The MSU Carbon2Markets program works with farmer groups composed of small landholders, usually farming 25 acres or fewer. This keeps management of the land in the hands of local villages, where it traditionally has been. Some Thai farmers feared that large reforestation projects would simply turn over forest management to large corporations, denying local people access.

“I had been working with the Inpang Network (farmers in northeastern Thailand) for about 15 years on biodiversity projects

when I met Professor Skole at a conference about five years ago,” says Usa Klinhom, biology professor at Maharakham University (also known as MSU) in the northeast Isan region. “At the Inpang Network, we were already working on planting trees, but I was looking for ways to get more value from the trees than just growing them to harvest fruit and nuts. I was very interested in Professor Skole’s work on mea-

surely hesitant, but her respect for Klinhom’s research led to her full support of the collaboration.

“This project helped bring Maharakham University and the community together,” Sukringarm says. “This is a unique project because we all have the same philosophy of transferring education to the community. If the community is strong, the university is strong. We’re very proud to be part of this work.”

rent prices. A 25-acre plot could earn up to \$400 per year—a significant amount in a region of Thailand where the average annual income is about \$1,200.

An interesting sidenote about the Chicago Climate Exchange is that Michael Walsh, the group’s executive vice president, earned his doctorate in business and economics from MSU in 1987.

The farmers also use and sell the forest products they grow. Jatropha tree nuts can be used to make biodiesel, which is then used to run farm equipment, fuel lamps or produce energy for a village. Shea tree nuts yield shea butter, a staple ingredient in high-end moisturizing lotions and cosmetics. The trees also provide food, timber, firewood and medicines.

“The ability to link tree-planting with near-term payments through the emerging carbon markets—with additional payments from other forest products coming online in subsequent years—has the potential to positively affect millions of lives,” Skole says. “And the continued generation of high-value tree products such as fruits and oil-producing nuts serves to protect the stored carbon from being har-

**The jatropha tree is an example of a high-value forest crop that farmers in Thailand are integrating into the worldwide carbon credits market, with help from MSU scientists.**

suring carbon sequestration.”

Largely rural, the Isan region is one of the poorest areas in Thailand; 85 percent of the people are rice farmers. Klinhom asked Jeeraphan Suksringarm, dean of the Maharakham University Faculty of Science, if the two MSUs could work together on a project to add carbon storage to the reforestation and biodiversity work being done by the Inpang Network. Suksringarm was ini-

Accurately measuring stored carbon offers the farmers the potential to earn money on the global carbon market—the Carbon2Markets program has agreements in place with the Chicago Climate Exchange, which offers trading for all greenhouse gases, to provide a market for the carbon credits. A farmer who planted trees on about three acres would earn about \$40 per year from the carbon market at cur-



*Above: A Thai farmer picks jatropa nuts for processing.  
Right: A farmer goes through the peeling process.*

## FUEL ON THE HOME FRONT: GROWING YELLOW TO GO GREEN

In research typical of MSU Extension, a team of MSU scientists are working to demonstrate how local resources can grow, process and use biofuel—creating a model that will help drive Michigan’s new green economy and could be replicated across the world.

MSU Chemical Engineering Professor Dennis Miller’s work in Michigan to demonstrate the feasibility of small, local canola biodiesel cooperatives parallels the Carbon2Markets work in Thailand. One of Miller’s collaborators, Engineering Researcher Lars Peereboom, is working with Skole to set up jatropa oil processing equipment in Thailand.

Though they’re tiny, canola seeds gush with oil—a single seed is more than 40 percent oil, making canola one of the world’s most oil-dense crops. In comparison, soybeans are only 18 percent oil and corn is 4 percent oil. Miller and other scientists believe canola has the potential to play a role in unclenching the grip that imported petroleum fuels have on Michigan, as well as offering growers new markets for a high-value crop.

“The point of this research is to show farmers that canola can be successfully grown as a cash crop—that there are multiple markets for it—and then demonstrate that local co-ops can crush the seed and process the oil into biodiesel, which can then be used to power tractors and other equipment,” Miller says. “We can actually close the loop and produce fuel entirely within the state.”

Miller; Russ Freed, MSU professor of crop and soil sciences; and Dan Blackledge, a biofuel entrepreneur, who serves as project manager, oversee the canola biodiesel project, working with farmers in Eaton and Osceola counties who grew winter and spring canola.

In the summer of 2008, Miller and Peereboom established crushing and biodiesel processing facilities at the MSU Biorefinery Training Facility at the Michigan Brewing Company (MBC). They also worked out transportation and storage logistics for the canola seed.

The crusher can smash 1 ton of seeds per day, enough for about 100 gallons of biodiesel. The scientists have been making 50-gallon batches to test various procedures.

“We’ve been testing processing methods to evaluate the various techniques and the quality of the biodiesel,” Miller says. “MSU Grounds has a mandate to be greener, so they’re looking at using more biofuels. They’re already using B5 (a blend of 5 percent biodiesel and 95 percent petroleum diesel) in some equipment and have tried B20 but had some problems with it. Now they’re testing the biodiesel that we made.”

A large portion of the canola oil and the biodiesel made at the MBC facilities returns to campus for other research projects on biofuels, bioplastics and fuel additives. Bobby Mason, MBC owner, is using some of the biodiesel to fire the company’s beer tanks. The MSU Grounds Dept. will continue to use some of the biodiesel in its equipment. Farmers who participated in the project have the option of using some of the biodiesel in their tractors and other equipment.

“Everyone is very pleased with the results so far,” Miller says. “We hope to be able to give any interested groups a blueprint of how they can do this at the local level.”

vested as fuel wood, burned and re-released into the atmosphere.”

Besides Skole, other members of the Carbon2Markets team are Oscar Castaneda, research assistant; Walter Chomentowski, research specialist; Stuart Gage, professor of entomology; Eric Kasten, information technologist; Jay Samek, research assistant; Gene Safir, professor of plant pathology; Brent Simpson, visiting associate professor in the Institute of International Agriculture; and Mike Smaligan, research assistant.

The Carbon2Markets program is supported by the United

Nations, NASA, the World Wildlife Fund, the Asia-Pacific Forum for Environment and Development, the Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research, Global Change System for Analysis and Training, Institute for Global Environmental Strategies and the MSU Office of the Vice President for Research and Graduate Studies. Skole’s research also is supported by the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station.

*Jamie DePolo is communications manager of the MSU Office of Biobased Technologies.*

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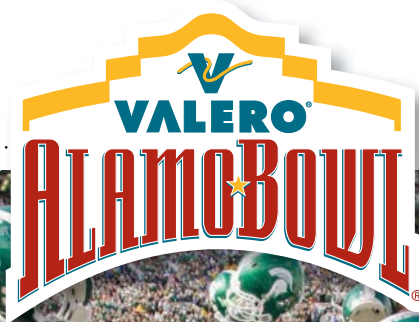
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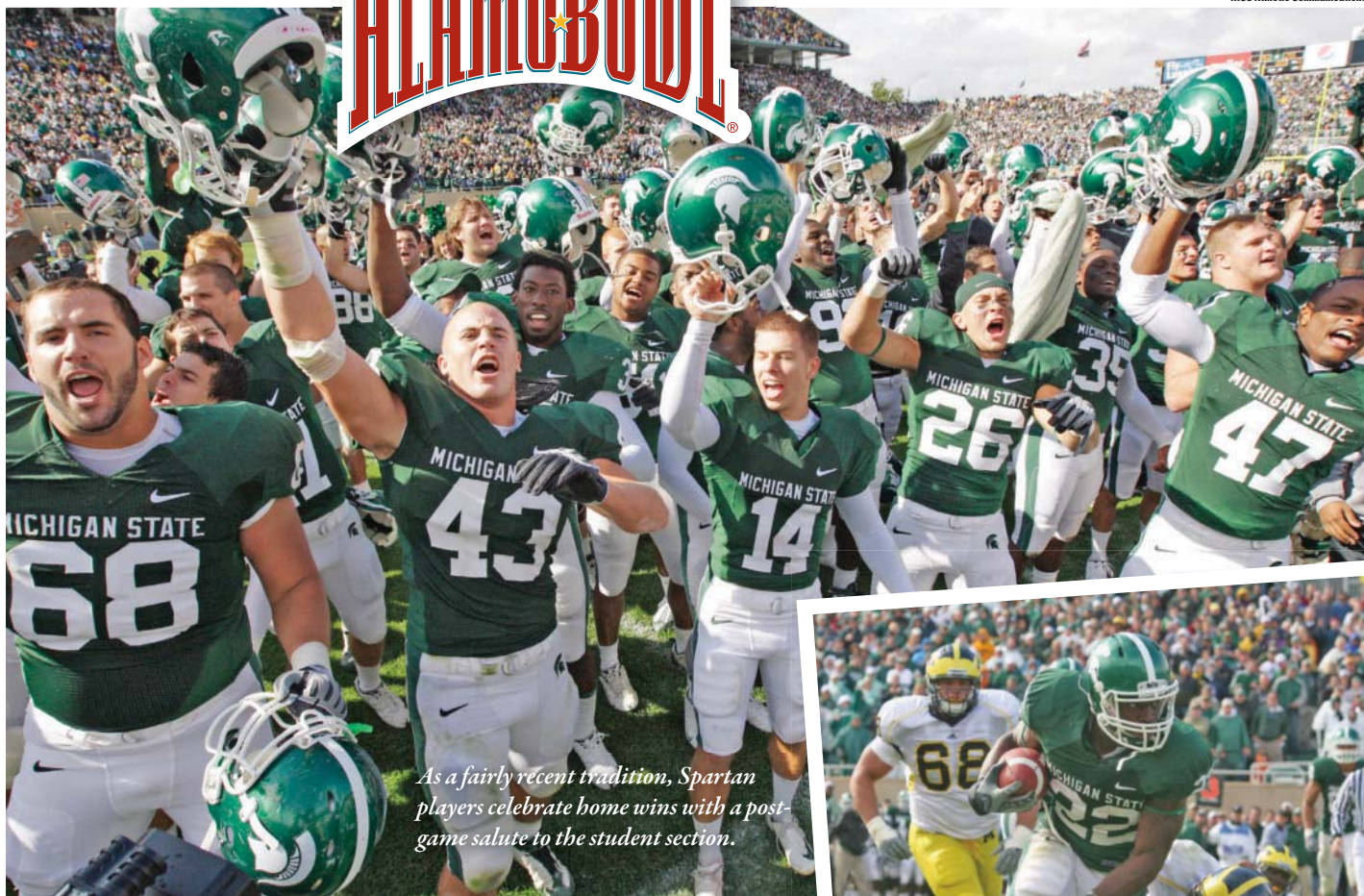
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*As a fairly recent tradition, Spartan players celebrate home wins with a post-game salute to the student section.*

## FOOTBALL PROGRAM ON A STEADY RISE

By Robert Bao

*MSU's third straight bowl game appearance and second straight Paul Bunyan trophy signal progress in the football program.*

Real progress is percolating within MSU's football program, despite some off-field distractions at season's end. No single moment was more illustrative of the program's uptick than when freshman Larry Caper broke a tackle and scampered 23 yards for the winning touchdown to beat Michigan 26-20 in overtime.

Not only did it gain a thrilling win against an undefeated archrival—one fawned upon by media pundits (at the time)—but it secured a back-to-back triumph that had been elusive since the

1960s. The win triggered a three-game winning streak and altered the momentum of the season. It was a defining moment, and as memorable a play as last season's tackle by linebacker Adam Decker that stopped Iowa's Shonn Greene on fourth down to seal a 16-13 MSU win.

The following week, MSU beat the Illini in Champaign, IL—debunking the myth that MSU would lose after beating the Wolverines. One by one, such myths have been slayed by Mark Dantonio and his staff. By season's end, MSU had earned a third straight bowl appearance.

The media turned their attention to an incident between some football players and some students at a residence hall after the end of the regular season. Known as a disciplinarian, Dantonio took prompt action, dismissing two

players from the team and suspending eight others.

None of the distractions could wipe away the fact that the Spartans beat Michigan for the second straight year. It was a signature win that reversed a dismal 1-3 start, a stretch reflective of MSU's youth and inexperience at quarterback and running back and shifting lineups in the offensive line and defensive backfield. The win led to a three-game winning streak for the Spartans.

After a 44-3 rout of Montana State, MSU lost by a whisker to Notre Dame and Central Michigan before getting spanked in Madison, by Wisconsin. Late against the Fighting Irish, trailing



Bill Marklevits

*True Freshman Running Back Larry Caper broke a tackle to score the winning touchdown against the No. 20 Michigan Wolverines. The electrifying run sparked three straight wins, leading to a third-straight bowl season.*

33-30 but advancing to the Irish endzone, sophomore quarterback Kirk Cousins, under pressure, threw an interception that ended MSU's chance for a seventh straight win in South Bend.

The loss against Central Michigan was even more heart-breaking. Trailing MSU late

in the game, the Chippewas recovered an onside kick thanks to a fortuitous bounce, then converted a “mulligan” field goal with three seconds left to pull off a 29-27 upset.

The Spartans were beaten soundly at Wisconsin by the Badgers, who held a three-touchdown lead late in the game. A couple of fourth-quarter MSU bombs reduced the final margin to 38-30.

Reeling from this start, MSU seized a golden opportunity (or, at least a maize one) to turn around its southward path. Michigan—undefeated at 4-0, leading the nation in rushing, and steeped in praise from sports pundits—came to town. Could Mark Dantonio, who had already broken a number of historical trends, lead MSU to win two-straight over Michigan for the first time in four decades?

The answer was a resounding “yes.” The Spartans began playing inspired defense, throttling Michigan’s backs and depriving its wunderkind freshman quarterback of scrambling space. Overall, the defense mustered four sacks for 38 yards and 10 tackles for loss for 55 yards. Led by sophomore Kirk Cousins’ 152 yards passing and 75 yards rushing, the offense carved out a 20-6 lead before the Wolverines connected on some big plays and knotted the score. In overtime, a Wolverine pass into the endzone was broken up by senior safety Dan Fortener and intercepted by junior cornerback Chris L. Rucker. MSU then handed the ball to freshman Larry Caper, who broke a tackle and scampered into the endzone as delirium engulfed Spartan Stadium. Final score: MSU 26, UM 20.

This win helped catapult MSU to a three-game winning streak as the Spartans beat Illinois and Northwestern by identical scores of 24-14. Against the Wildcats,



Blair White, whose spectacular rise from walk-on to go-to starter has been featured by the Big Ten Network, earned Big Ten Player of the Week honors for his 12 receptions for 186 yards and two touchdowns.

MSU, now second in the conference at 3-1, hosted league-leading and undefeated Iowa in a nationally-televised night game. It was an opportunity to move into the inside track to the league title. In a hard-hitting, smash-mouth game, typical of historic Big Ten slugfests, the Spartans and the Hawkeyes went toe-to-toe, trading goal-line stands in what seemed like a stalemate. Late in the game, fireworks erupted. The Spartans converted on a fourth-and-18 with the “hook and ladder,” where tight end Brian Linthicum caught a Cousins pass and then pitched to Blair White for a gain of 38 yards. Cousins then threw a 30-yard TD pass to White to go ahead 13-9. But Iowa mounted a final drive and ended with a fourth-and-seven with two seconds left in regulation time. The Hawkeyes connected on a slant pass for a touchdown and won

15-13—deflating a crowd verging on euphoria.

The loss carried on to Minneapolis, where the Gophers, minus their top wide receiver, still won 42-34. But MSU—as has been its tendency in the Dantonio era—regrouped for straight wins against Western Michigan, 49-14, and Purdue, 40-37. The shootout in West Lafayette, IN, saw more big plays than Wyatt Earp pulled off at the O.K. Corral and secured the critical sixth win for MSU, which became bowl eligible despite a 42-14 setback in the finale against Penn State.

Many players performed with distinction. Junior middle linebacker Greg Jones, second in the NCAA Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) with 141 tackles, became the first Spartan to be named Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year. Outside linebacker Eric Gordon was second in tackles for MSU. Senior defensive end Trevor Anderson and freshman defensive tackle Jerel Worthy both emerged as a disruptive force. Fortener and Chris L. Rucker were among the many playmakers in the defensive backfield.

*It may not be the prettiest trophy in the world, but the Paul Bunyan Trophy will have a beloved presence in MSU’s Skandalaris Football Center.*

Senior kicker Brett Swenson set MSU career records in total points, field goal points and PATs, and leads the NCAA FBS with 370 career points. Sophomore returner and wide receiver Keshawn Martin showed his explosiveness with touchdowns scored from a 93-yard return, a 91-yard reception, and a 84-yard run; his 85-yard return against Purdue set up Swenson’s fourth—and winning—field goal. Senior wide receiver Blair White, a three-time Academic-All Big Ten selection, led the league with TD receptions and joined teammates Jones and Swenson on the All-Big Ten First Team. Sophomore quarterback Kirk Cousins showed leadership along with a pinpoint accurate arm, throwing to the likes of White, wide receivers B.J. Cunningham and Mark Dell, and a stable of tight ends, including junior Charlie Gantt, sophomores Garrett Celek and Brian Linthicum, and freshman Dion Sims.

Among the players who provided senior leadership were Anderson; offensive linemen Rocco Cironi and Joel Nitchman; fullback Andrew Hawken; and defensive backs Fortener, Kendall Davis-Clark, Jeremy Ware and Ross Weaver.

Mark Dantonio boasts perfect staff continuity with assistants Pat Narduzzi, Don Treadwell, Harlon Barnett, Dan Enos, Ted Gill, Dan Roushar, Mark Staten, Mike Tressel, and Dave Warner all in their third seasons at MSU.

Because Dantonio has shunned quick fixes, his rebuilding process will need due time to take hold, after which the program should be solid year in and year out.

## FOR THE RECORD



Matthew Mitchell/MSU Athletic Communications

**BIG TEN CHAMPIONS**—MSU's No. 8-ranked field hockey team won the Big Ten championship by beating Michigan 2-1 on Oct. 25 at the Ralph Young Field. MSU clinched their first outright title with goals from seniors Jeemie Deacon (Wexford, Ireland) and Floor Rijpma (Bunnik, Netherlands) along with a solid defensive effort. "It's a fitting tribute to our players and the work that they've put in since the beginning of the season," says head coach Rolf van de Kerckhof, who received a Gatorade shower in addition to the trophy. "It was cold, but totally worth it," he says. The very next week, MSU won the Big Ten Tournament at Ralph Young Field, beating Indiana 3-2 in the finals. It was MSU's third Big Ten Tournament championship in the 2000s.



**SOCCER FORTRESS**—Avery Steinlage, MSU's junior men's soccer goalie, has set a stunning NCAA record—a consecutive shutout streak of 1,318:26

minutes, which equates to nearly 15 games. The last time Steinlage yielded a goal was on Oct. 15, 2008, when University of Illinois-Chicago scored a goal off a free penalty kick. The shutout lasted until Sept. 20, when San Diego beat MSU 2-0. A native of Grand Haven, Steinlage broke the old NCAA record by 340 minutes—which equates to nearly four full games. Last season the First-Team All-Big Ten performer led the nation with a goal-save percentage of 0.925.

**VARSITY & CLUB AWARDEES**—Sep. 11: Varsity S Alumni Club President Colin Cronin (left) and Officer Cheryl Gilliam (right) pose with major award winners (l to r) Steve Smith, Joe DeLamielleure, Diane Selke, Jim Gibbs and Kelly Dean. In addition, the club inducted seven honorary members at its annual fall banquet in Kellogg Center.



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**FLINTTOWN KIDS**—Charlie Bell, Mateen Cleaves, Jason Richard-

son and Morris Peterson—all members of MSU's 2000 NCAA championship team—are featured in a new documentary called *Flinttown Kids*. Directed by Omar McGee, the 82-minute film depicts how some youths, including MSU's "Flintstones" and cagers like Glenn Rice and Tracy McGrady, were able to shoot their ways out of "the gridlock of poverty, drugs and crime that General Motors left behind."

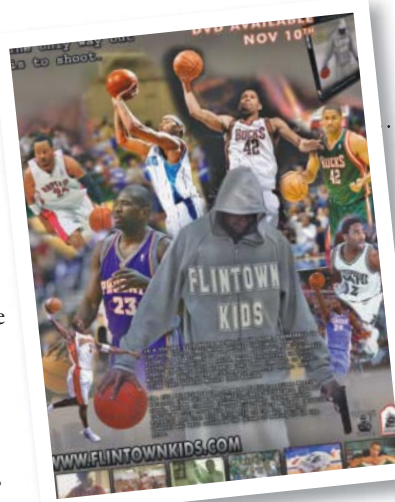
For more information, visit [www.flinttownkids.com](http://www.flinttownkids.com).

### SPARTANS WIN TAR HEEL

No. 10-ranked MSU's women's golf team won the prestigious Tar Heel Invitational in October by 12 strokes with a school-record 54-hole score of 860. The Spartans beat 18 teams, including nine ranked in the top 25. "Outside of the winning the Big Ten Championship, this is the biggest tournament win in my tenure here," says MSU women's golf coach Stacy Slobodnik-Stoll. "We beat teams we've never beaten today, and they



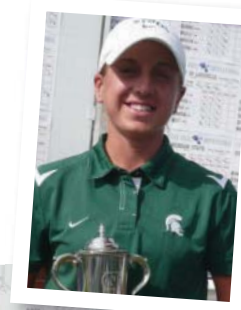
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are consistently the top teams in the country, year after year. And we did it by 12 strokes ... This proves that we

are one of the top teams in the country." Senior Laura Kueny led the way, tying for second place with a career-best 212 (69-72-71). Sophomore Shannon Warner tied for sixth, junior Aimee Neff tied for 11<sup>th</sup>, freshman Caroline Powers tied for 31<sup>st</sup> and sophomore Lindsey Solberg tied for 38<sup>th</sup>.

(L to r) Assistant Coach Lorne Don, Head Coach Stacy Slobodnik-Stoll, Shannon Warner, Caroline Powers, Laura Kueny, Lindsey Solberg and Aimee Neff. Laura Kueny, with second place trophy (inset).



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# ALMA MATTERS

## REGIONAL CLUBS

**BLUEWATER**—Aug. 8: About a dozen area Spartans attended a picnic at Ft. Gratiot Park in St. Clair County for new MSU-bound students—Zach Pepin, Carrie Kozel and Anthony Richards.

**CENTRAL INDIANA**—Jul. 27: About a dozen area women Spartans attended a get-together at El Torito Grill, Indianapolis. Aug. 30: Area women Spartans attended a Preseason Football Primer and Garden Tour at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, presented by Club President Lauren Coon.



**CONNECTICUT**—Jul. 18: (L to r) Club President Rick Pikikero, Shawn Green, Wendy Green, Robert Reiss and Vice President Sharon Fox participated in the club's annual golf and dinner event at the Hunter Golf Course in Meriden.

**GREATER ATLANTA**—Aug. 1: v Nearly 140 area Spartans attended the annual Big Ten Picnic at Lake Allatoona. A special ap-



pearance was made by football's Heisman Trophy, whose presence was made possible by Lindsey McNeil of Career Sports and Entertainment.



**GREATER NEW YORK**—Aug. 8: v More than two dozen area Spartans attended the annual New Student Picnic in Ross Pinetum, Central Park, to send off area students entering MSU in the fall. Among those attending were Board President Greg Hauser and National Advisory Council Member Roni O'Connor. Aug. 15: Club Vice President Larry Alterman (right) led a visit to Ellis Island. v



*Lindsey McNeil with the Heisman Trophy.*



**METRO CHICAGO**—Jul. 19: v About 75 area Spartans gathered at Higgins' Tavern One, Chicago. Jul. 22: About 15 area Spartans attended a Mid-Summer Mentoring Program Reception at the Swissotel's Palm Restaurant. Special guests included John Hill, MSUAA director of Alumni Career Services; Tim Bograkov, young alumni coordinator; and Paul Jacques, MSU internship director. Jul. 31: About 65 area Spartans took part in the annual Summer Yacht Cruise, setting sail from Burnham Harbor.

**MID-MICHIGAN**—Feb. 13, 2010: The club's Spartan Crystal Ball, "Heart of Winter," will be at the MSU University Club and feature an encore performance from Carl Cafagna's Swing Band. Proceeds benefit the club's endowed scholarship fund.

For information visit [midmichiganspartans.com](http://midmichiganspartans.com).

**NORTHEAST OHIO**—Jun. 15: About 20 area Spartans gathered for dinner at Vue Restaurant, Hudson, where Jennifer Bertram, director of development for University Scholarships and Fellowships, met with Michael Cubera, Jenn Hreha and Stephanie Loeffler, recipients of the club's endowed scholarships. Aug. 15:



About two dozen area Spartans enjoyed a picnic at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. v



**SEATTLE, WA**—Jul. 22: About a dozen area Spartans gathered at the Tap House Grill, Bellevue, for an MSU Happy Hour get-together. v



Courtesy of Chris Lathwell

**OREGON & SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON**—Aug. 1: (L to r) Eric Fischer, Valerie Smith, Jenny Mayo, Kelly Fischer (seated), Brad Finegood, Paul Mayo, Steve Kasper, Mark Johnson, Karen Vernier, Stacy Owen, Anna Browne and Steve Benson, members from the two clubs, planted





an “S” flag at the summit of South Sister in the Central Oregon Cascades, the state’s third highest peak at 10,358 feet. ▲

**SUN CITY, TX**—Apr. 6: A few area Spartans gathered in El Paso to watch MSU play North Carolina for the NCAA championship in men’s basketball. ▼



Courtesy of Joe Behl, '97

**WEST MICHIGAN**—Sep. 9: About 175 area Spartans attended the annual Crying Towel at Centennial Country Club, Grand Rapids, along with alumni from Notre Dame and Ohio State. Athletics Director Mark Hollis spoke on behalf of MSU. Special guests included members of the MSU Dance Team.

**WEST NEW YORK**—May 15: About 50 area Spartans attended a dinner reception at the Grand Hotel at Buffalo Airport, with Dr. Joni Milgram speaking on music therapy. Aug. 5: About 50 people attended the annual stu-

dent send-off party at the home of John and Linda Harbison, Grand Island. Aug. 20: Members attended a dinner at the Pearl Street Brewery, Buffalo, prior to attending a Bison’s baseball game.

### CONSTITUENT ASSOCIATIONS

**MUSIC**—Aug. 27: About 100 Detroiters attended MSU’s Community Music School-Detroit (CMS-Detroit) open house, held at the MSU Detroit Center on Woodward Avenue. CMS-Detroit is enrolling students for jazz composing for youth, early childhood music, New Horizons Band for adults, and music therapy and creative movement.

**SOCIAL SCIENCE**—May 17: More than 80 alumni and friends attended the CSSAA Annual Meeting at the MSU Horticultural Gardens. Presentations were given by Dean Marietta Baba; Randy Beaudry, acting chair of the Dept. of Horticulture; and Dan Bulkowski, director of the MSU Horticultural Greenhouse.

**OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**—Sep. 11-12: President Lou Anna K. Simon (center) was among more than 600 alumni and friends who participated in the Silverfest Alumni Weekend, attending a

Friday night reception at the East Lansing Marriott and a Saturday morning tailgate at Demonstration Hall Field (see photo). ▼



### INTERNATIONAL CLUBS

**BEIJING, CHINA**—Jul. 26: About 40 area Spartans gathered to visit the new National Zoological Museum, a visit arranged by alumnus Li Dianmo, director of the Institute of Zoology of the Chinese Academy of Sciences.



**INDONESIA**—May 19: Setyanto P. Santosa (front row, third from left, wearing green cap), president of the MSU Alumni Club of Indonesia from 1994-96, and his wife Alfie (to his left) visited the MSU campus and had an opportunity to meet with members of the Indonesian Students Association and MSU Alumni Association, seen here gathered in front of the Delia Koo International Academic Center.



Pueppke



Schmalz

**ONTARIO, CANADA**—May 30: Steven Pueppke, MSU assistant vice president for Research & Graduate Studies and director

of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, spoke to alumni at the Hilton Garden Inn in Markham, Ontario. Club President David Schmalz also addressed alumni at the reception. Special guests included AnnMarie Schneider, acting director of the MSU Canadian Studies Center.

### ALUMNI INTEREST GROUPS

**MSU TELECASTERS**—Aug. 28: About a dozen alumni telecasters gathered at Comerica Park to root on the Tigers. Bob Gould, '90, organized the trip for the group to meet key Tigers, including Dan Dickerson, the “Voice of the Tigers.” ▼



**WEDDING CRASHER . . . NOT**—Aug. 22: Sparty dropped in on ▼ the wedding of Sarah Rorich, president of the MSU Alumni Club of Wisconsin, and Richard Pruszynski in Milwaukee. Sparty was actually invited to be at the reception, where he was warmly received by the many Spartans in attendance. To rent Sparty for an event, contact the Student Alumni Foundation at 517-355-4458.



Courtesy of Rorich



**MOON JOON AWARD**—Apr. 1: Kim Keung Lai (left), Ph.D. '77, ▲ Head of Management Sciences, City University of Hong Kong, receives the 2010 Joon S. Moon Distinguished International Alumni Award alongside his former faculty advisor, William Taylor, professor emeritus of civil engineering, and Lai's wife, Stella. Through its Joon S. Moon Award, MSU International Studies & Programs recognizes distinguished achievements of alumni who came to MSU as international students. The next award presentation will be at the International Awards Ceremony on March 24, 2010, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Spartan Club, Spartan Stadium Tower.

➤ For more information and to nominate a candidate, visit [isp.msu.edu](http://isp.msu.edu).

**BALLOU DEBUT**—The documentary film *Ballou* made its world television premiere in August and received wide acclaim. The film tells how the Ballou Senior High School Marching Band overcame an environment filled with guns, drugs and violence, just three miles from the U.S. Capitol, and worked its way to a national band competition. The uplifting documentary was produced by Casey Callister, MS '99, former major in the U.S. Air Force and now community activist and documentary film producer. *Ballou* has been screened in the White House and has been featured on *Good Morning America*, the *Ellen DeGeneres Show*, NPR, and *ABC World News*.

➤ For more information, visit [www.balloumovie.com](http://www.balloumovie.com).



*Ballou* band leader Darrell ▲ Watson and Callister (right) pose near the U.S. Capitol during a recent visit.

**HELMET CAKE**—July 31: James Applegate, '04, a foreign service officer for the U.S. Dept. of State, married Sarah Boyke in Virginia. The groom's cake makes it clear which football team he supports. A graduate of MSU's James Madison College, Applegate comes from a Spartan family—including his parents, sister, and brother-in-law. He has been assigned to

Australia, where he vows to spread the Spartan gospel.

**IM SPORTS WEST ANNIVERSARY**—Sep. 11: Former staff of MSU's Intramural Sports West gather for an alumni reunion around (seated, l to r) Russ Rivet, Frank Beeman and Larry Sierra. More than 250 former IM workers were on hand to show their appreciation for the leadership of this department over the past 50 years. ▼



Mia Murray



Courtesy of Karyn Patterson Bloch

**JAMES MADISON ALUMNI**—▲ Sep. 12: (Back, L to r) Patricia Glaza, Brian O'Donnell, Dan Klein, Steven Rankin and John Roach; and (Front, L to r) Stacy Zachman Dobreff, Sue Suminski, Karyn Patterson Bloch, Alycia Kreger, and Laura Karch Eaton—all 1992 graduates from James Madison College and residents of Case Hall in 1988-89, reunited during the weekend of the Central Michigan football game.





David Fletcher

honored to be recognized as part of the vital and inventive New York Off-Off-Broadway community,” says DeAngelis. The IT Awards, given annually, is celebrating its fifth year.

*Emily DeAngelis (right) with fellow nominee Caleb Levingood.*

**COSTUME EXPERT**—July 20: ▲ Emily Morgan DeAngelis (right) was nominated for a New York Innovative Theatre Award (IT Awards) for Outstanding Costume Design for her work in *Angel Eaters*, which was produced by Flux Theatre Ensemble. “I am thrilled and

**ANNIVERSARY GIFT**—(L-r) Stella Cash, University Club past-president; Cheryl Wald, president of the Greater Lansing Food Bank Board of Directors; MSU Trustee Melanie Foster; State Rep. Joan Bauer; Richard Bruner, U-Club CEO/general

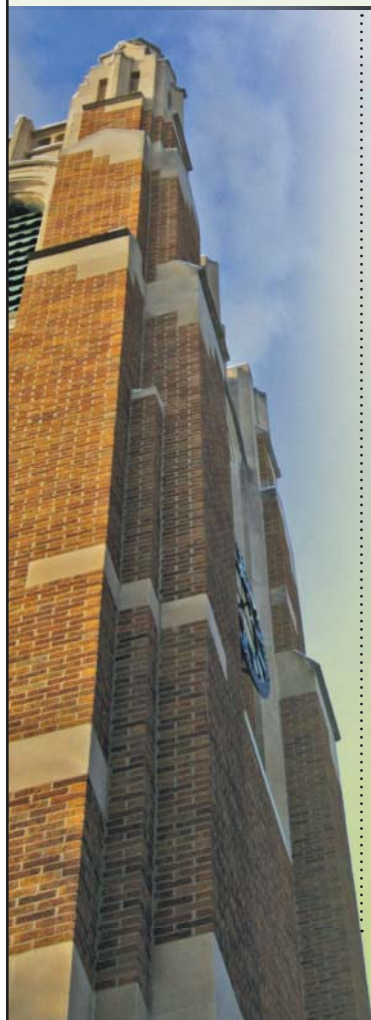
manager; and William Dansby, University Club president, representing MSU’s University Club, present a blank check to the Greater Lansing Food Bank

as part of the club’s 80th anniversary celebration. The final check will include proceeds from the anniversary celebration in November and several “Food Bank Friday” fundraiser events.



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 Web: www.anrweek.canr.msu.edu

## Communication Arts & Sciences

*Speed Networking*  
*Feb. 19, 2010, 12 noon*  
 Event hosted by the college’s career services will pair up students and professionals for five-minute meetings.  
 E-mail: hanson39@msu.edu

*Alumni & Student Telecaster*  
*Feb. 20, 2010, Communication Arts & Sciences Bldg.*  
 Alumni will provide career development advice to students  
 E-mail: msutelecasters.alumni@gmail.com

*Alumni Awards Dinner*  
*May 8, 2010,*  
*University Club Ballroom*  
*\$50; \$40 for MSUAA members*  
 An evening of dinner, music and praise for alumni, friends and faculty.  
 E-mail: casalum@msu.edu

## Music

*Showcase Series – An Evening with John Corigliano*  
*April 24, 2010*  
*Cobb Great Hall,*  
*Wharton Center*  
 Concert featuring MSU Symphony Orchestra, University Chorale and Wind Symphony caps weeklong residency of award-winning composer John Corigliano (“The Red Violin”).  
 E-mail: conradi@msu.edu

*Chicago Jazz Experience*  
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 MSU Professors of Jazz will perform for private train car, and also at Chicago’s famed Jazz

Showcase nightclub. Guests will stay at the Sutton Place Hotel.  
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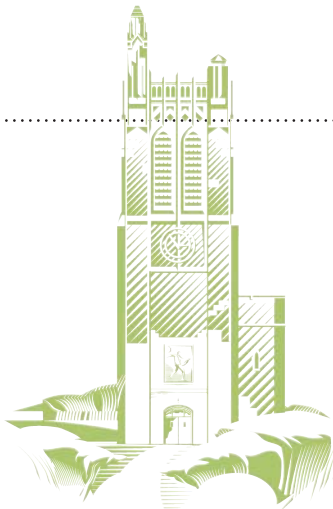
## Residence Halls Association

*Annual Reunion*  
*March 6, 2010 – Holden Hall*  
 Reunion of student leaders, including campus tour and lunch in newly-renovated cafeteria.  
 E-mail: derekwallbank@gmail.com or devinbnewman@gmail.com

## Social Science

*Annual Meeting*  
*May 22, 2010 – Wharton Center*  
 Social Science alumni are welcome to attend the annual meeting (free), followed by a performance of *Phantom of the Opera* (2 p.m., tickets available for purchase).  
 E-mail: vicki@msu.edu





*Scott Westerman, chairperson of the MSUAA National Alumni Board, presents awards to Michelle Scott (left) and to John Demmer (holding plaque) and his family (right).*

# GRAND AWARDS 2009

The MSU Alumni Association bestows five special awards to honor alumni and friends who have distinguished themselves in extraordinary ways — the Distinguished Alumni Award, the Alumni Service Award, the Philanthropist Award, the Honorary Alumni Award, and the Distinguished Young Alumni Award.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is the highest honor the MSUAA bestows on a graduate and indicates extraordinary achievement coupled with the highest possible character. The Alumni Service Award goes to those who have been exceptional in their volunteer service to both MSU and society. The Philanthropist Award is bestowed on donors who rise to a special leadership level. The Honorary Alumni Award goes to those who did not graduate from MSU, but who, through achievement and service,

merit that designation. The Distinguished Young Alumni Award goes to individuals who received their MSU degree within the past 10 years.

All these awards are presented at the annual MSU Alumni Association's Grand Awards ceremony, which takes place on the Thursday evening of Homecoming Week. In recent years, the gala event has become one of the top highlights in MSU's social calendar, drawing a huge range of attendees, including trustees, the president, the provost, deans and other VIPs.

On Oct. 15 at Kellogg Center, the MSUAA awarded four Distinguished Alumni Awards, two Philanthropist Awards, four Alumni Service Awards, one Honorary Alumni Award, and one Distinguished Young Alumni Award.

## THIS YEAR'S AWARD WINNERS

### DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD



*Spencer Abraham*, '74, of McLean, VA, former U.S. Senator and U.S. Secretary of Energy, is chairman and CEO of The Abraham Group, Washington, DC.



*Anton E. Armstrong*, DMA '87, of Northfield, MN, is the Harry R. and Thora H. Tosdal Professor

of Music at St. Olaf College and conductor of the renowned St. Olaf Choir.

*Steve Nellis*, '82, of Irving, TX, is the principal officer of Nellis &



Associates and N&A Homes and longtime executive with Centex Homes, Dallas, TX.



*Michael VanRooyen*, BS '84, of Wayland, MA, is an associate professor of the Harvard Medical School,

an associate professor of global health at the Harvard School of Public Health, and founder of the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative.

### HONORARY ALUMNI AWARD

*Michael L. Kasavana*, of Williamston, is the NAMA Endowed Professor in MSU's *The*



School of Hospitality Business, MSU's Faculty Athletic Representative to the Big Ten, and chair of the MSU Athletic Council.



*Lynn M. Bechtel*, '91, of West Bloomfield, is a vehicle engineer at General Motors Corp. and former

chairperson of the College of Engineering alumni board. She is a life member of the MSU Alumni Association.

*Bill Fitzpatrick*, MS '75, of Spring, TX, is vice president for



Organization Effectiveness and Learning, Royal Dutch Shell's Downstream, and has been Shell's Campus Executive to MSU for seven years.



*Michelle A. Scott*, BSN '95, MSN '04, of Newport Beach, CA, is a registered nurse and the founder, president and CEO of Voices for Health, Inc., Grand Rapids.



*Michael R. VanGessel*, '89, of Grand Rapids, is the co-founder, president and CEO of the Rockford Construction Company.

## DISTINGUISHED YOUNG ALUMNI



**Gerald Reuben DeJean, II, '00**, of Redmond, WA, is a researcher and electrical engineer with Microsoft Corp. and an adjunct professor at Georgia Tech.

## PHILANTHROPIST AWARD



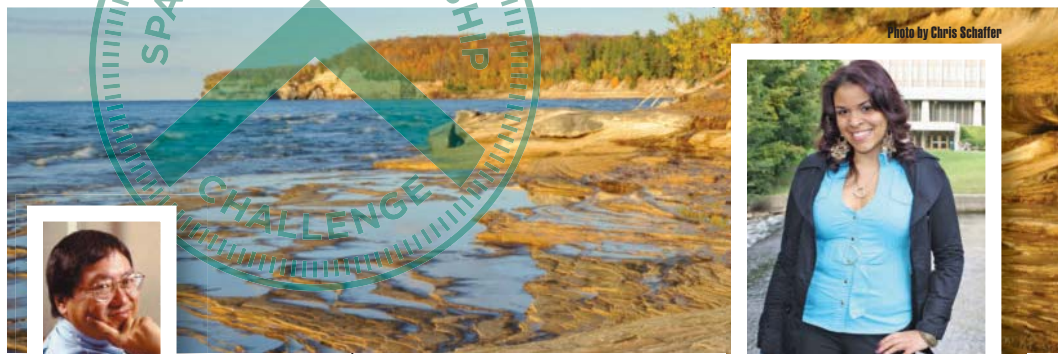
**The Demmer Family:** John Demmer and his late wife Mar- nie; son Bill Demmer, '70, and his wife Linda; son Ed Demmer and his wife Laura; and daughter Peg Demmer Breuer, '73, and her husband Bradford. The family has collectively made a gift to name the Demmer Family Hall of His- tory in the Skandalaris Football Center.



**Drayton McLane, Jr., MBA '59**, of Temple, TX, is chairman of the McLane Group, Texas, and CEO and

owner of the Houston Astros. He committed \$4 million to build the McLane Baseball Stadium in Old College Field, the largest commitment to an Olympic sport in MSU history.

Anyone can nominate candidates for these awards. Visit the MSU Alumni Association web site at [www.msualum.com](http://www.msualum.com), click on Programs, then Grand Awards, to see explanations of each award as well as downloadable nominating forms.



## HOW TO LEVERAGE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP DONATION

By Robert Bao, Editor

These are tough times in Michi- gan, and donations to our scholar- ship funds are very timely to help us achieve our mission. The good news is, any donation you make in the next calendar year could be leveraged with an extra \$1 for every \$2 donated.

This is MSU's new Spartan Scholarship Challenge, an- nounced by President Lou Anna K. Simon in October.

You might remember a few months ago, when an anonymous donor gave \$10 million to MSU, with \$7 million targeted to help needy but high-performance students. MSU will use that donation to leverage scholarship donations, so that \$7 million in donations will grow to \$21 mil- lion in endowed scholarships.

Robert Groves, MSU vice president for University Advance- ment, realizes that Spartans want to help Spartans. With this challenge, he is expecting alumni, donors and friends to step up and give scholarship funds into this new program designed to make the most of their gifts and dramatically increase the amount of aid available to MSU students. This initiative is available until December 31, 2010.

"When it comes to financing a college education, many students and their families face tough deci-

sions," says Groves. "At the same time, the importance of a college education has never been greater. The support of our alumni, donors and friends is critical for the opportunity of higher educa- tion at Michigan State to remain within reach for many students."

Simon says the challenge could significantly build MSU's endow- ment—the key to providing schol- arship funds for students both now and in the future. Typically, a minimum of \$30,000 is needed to begin an endowment but dur- ing the match opportunity the minimum will be \$20,000. Gifts below \$20,000 can be directed to a university-wide Spartan Schol- arship Challenge fund.

MSU student Ilycia Shaw knows firsthand about the dif- ference receiving a scholarship can make. During her freshman year of high school, an illness forced her mother into early retirement. "A scholarship was the only option," Shaw said. "I found that MSU has some of the best scholarship programs available for hard-working and determined students such as me." Ilycia is now a proud Spartan sophomore with a high grade point average, majoring in Hospi- tality Business.

Unlike funds that are expend- able, endowed funds have a lasting effect because the total amount of the gift is invested. Only a portion of the invested income earned is spent each year.

*Spartan Ilycia Shaw attends MSU thanks in large part to the scholarships she receives. She is a sophomore studying Hospitality Business and her hometown is Detroit, Michigan.*

The steady stream of income generated from endowed funds provides the assurance the university needs to recruit and retain the best and brightest students and provide access to a world-class university education, Groves noted.

Upon fulfillment of the Spartan Scholarship Challenge, MSU will be able to offer an estimated \$1 million in new financial aid each year on a permanent basis, including aid for women and minority students. As many as 1,000 students would receive Spartan Scholarships totaling at least \$1,000 per student, per year and the aid would follow each recipient throughout his or her college career.

The match opportunity expires when the \$7 million made avail- able through previous gifts has been exhausted or by Dec. 31, 2010, whichever comes first.

For more information about the Spartan Scholarship Chal- lenge, visit [www.givingto.msu.edu/ssc](http://www.givingto.msu.edu/ssc); contact Director of Development for University Scholarships and Fellowships Jen- nifer Bertram at (517) 432-7332; or speak with the development officer in your college or unit.

*"There is always one moment in childhood when the door opens and lets the future in."*  
— Henry Graham Greene



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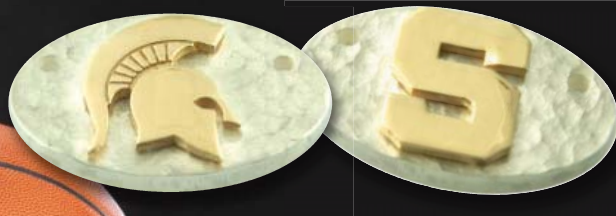
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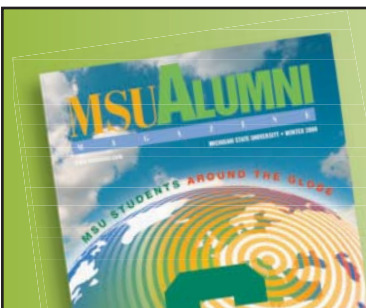
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# STATE'S STARS

**Lt. Gen. Ronald F. Sams, '72**, recently retired as Inspector



General of the U.S. Air Force, Washington, DC, after 37 years of service, has been awarded the USAF Distinguished Service Medal, the 3rd highest medal in the U.S. Air Force (after the Medal of Honor and the Air Force Cross). Sams earned his wings at Vance AFB, OK, and is a veteran of operations Just Cause, Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Enduring Freedom. His staff assignments included tours at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Headquarters Air Combat Command, and Office of the Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon.

**Marty Steinhauer, '89**, former MSU water skier, was recently



inducted into the Michigan Water Ski Hall of Fame. A native of Chelsea, his competitive career spanned 19 years from 1974 to 1993—competing in U.S. Nationals from 1977 to 1993. In 1979, he placed first overall nationally in the junior boys' division. From 1987 to 1989, Steinhauer helped lead the Spartans to a fifth-place finish at the collegiate national event—the highest in MSU water skiing history. Steinhauer later made the U.S. water skiing team that participated in the University Olympic World Games. He dominated state competitions, including trick, jump and slalom, winning 17 straight titles.

**Megan S. Jacobs, '03**, Senior Engineer in the Lansing office of Soil and Materials Engineers,



Inc. (SME), has been elected a director for the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Lansing Chapter. Jacobs is chair of the NAWIC's Construction, Profession and Education Committee and CAD Design Drafting Competition. Jacobs also serves on NAWIC's Ways and Means Committee. Jacobs has six years of experience at SME.

**Peter Metropoulos, DO '90**, has been named president of



the Michigan Occupational and Environmental Medicine Association (MOEMA) for 2009–2010.

He is also past president of the Detroit Occupational Physicians Association (DOPA). Metropoulos has been selected to the *HOUR Detroit Magazine* 2009 TOP DOCS, an honor also bestowed on his brother, George E. Metropoulos, MD '87. The brothers practice together in southeastern Michigan. Peter Metropoulos is a Life Member of the MSU Alumni Association.

**Roger Beachy, PhD '73**, founding president of the Donald Danforth Plant Science Center



in St. Louis, MO, has been appointed by President Barack Obama as the first director of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture. The National Institute of Food and Agriculture, formerly known as the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, is an agency of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. The agency funds research and technological innovations that

will make American agriculture more productive and environmentally sustainable.

**Pamela Jodway, '86**, an advertising executive, has joined the staff of the Lansing Economic



Area Partnership (Leap, Inc.) as vice president of marketing. Jodway will be responsible for marketing both Leap and the Greater Lansing region as a whole. Leap is an innovative private/public partnership that was created to spearhead the Greater Lansing region's economic development efforts and ensure they are cohesive and compelling. Jodway previously worked for the *Lansing State Journal* and *LSJ Media*, most recently serving as director of advertising.

**Stuart Kirschenbaum, '65**, Michigan's Boxing Commissioner for 11 years, has been



inducted into the Michigan Jewish Sports Hall of Fame. Kirschenbaum serves on the Michigan Jewish Sports Foundation (MJSF) Board of Governors and is an MJSF past president, as well as a past vice president of the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame. Kirschenbaum is also on the boards of the International African-American Sports Hall of Fame and of the Athletes with Disabilities Hall of Fame. He is founder and president of the Michigan Boxing Hall of Fame. Kirschenbaum is a Life Member of the MSU Alumni Association.

**Martin Malin, '73**, professor and director of Chicago-Kent's Institute for Law and the



Workplace, has been named by President Obama as a member of the Federal Services Impasses Panel (FSIP). Malin has been a member of the Chicago-Kent faculty since 1980. He has published five books, including *Public Sector Employment: Cases and Materials* (West 2004), the leading law school casebook on public sector labor law. Malin has also written more than 60 articles on labor law and dispute resolution. Malin is a member of MSU's Beaumont Society.

**Jonathan D. Anibal, '78**, of Milford, has been named chair of the board of the Michigan



Association of Certified Public Accountants for 2009-2010. Anibal manages property-casualty insurance programs for corporate clientele in affiliation with Cambridge Property and Casualty. Additionally, he is the owner of Boston Charter, Inc. – a boutique consulting firm which deals primarily with insurance-related matters. Previously, Anibal was in the audit group at KPMG Detroit, where he worked mostly with SEC clientele in the financial services sector.

**Kristopher K. Hulliberger, '99**, attorney for Howard & Howard Attorneys PLLC, Royal Oak,



has been named a shareholder in the firm. Hulliberger concentrates his practice in patent and trademark preparation and prosecution and patent, trademark, and trade secret litigation with a particular emphasis in chemical, computer



and mechanical technologies. Hulliberger is a member of the State Bar of Michigan and is registered to practice before the United State Patent and Trademark Office. Hulliberger is a Life Member of the MSU Alumni Association.

**Dan Burg**, '80, of Portland, OR, has been elected the first vice chair of American Mensa, Ltd., the high IQ Society. American Mensa is an organization for high-IQ people who like to



interact with like-minded individuals, attend exciting events and participate in community service. As first vice chair, Burg will assist the Chairman and oversee various projects and committees, such as risk management and bylaws. Burg is a Life Member of the MSU Alumni Association.

**Michael Gross**, '99, director of Beringea, Farmington Hills, has been promoted to managing director of the international private equity and investment banking firm. Gross leads Beringea's



North American health care and life science venture capital activities and is responsible for investment sourcing, analysis, deal execution and portfolio management. Prior to joining Beringea, Gross was vice president of investment banking at P&M Corporate Finance (PMCF).

**Gerri Allen**, MA '86, supervisor of Communication Services for Washtenaw Intermediate School District, was named the 2009 Barry Gaskins Mentor Legacy Award recipient by the National



School Public Relations Association (NSPRA). Throughout a 23-year career in school public relations, Allen has been a spearhead for both the NSPRA and the Michigan School Public Relations Association. She developed toolkits for her chapter, which became widely used by other chapters.

**Joseph Persak**, '80, president and CEO of Tri-City Radiology SC, Fox Valley Advanced Vein and Laser Center, and chairman of the Dept. of Radiology at the Delnor Hospital in Geneva, IL, has been



named to the Delnor Hospital Foundation Board of Directors. Persak, a board certified diagnostic radiologist has been practicing radiology at Delnor Hospital for the past 21 years. His practice is concentrated in musculoskeletal and neurologic MRI. He is completing his master's degree in medical management from Carnegie-Melon University. He is a member of the Delnor Hospital executive committee and numerous other hospital committees. Persak is a Life Member of the MSU Alumni Association.

**Alan Grant**, '87, PhD '90, professor and head of the Dept. of Animal Sciences at Purdue University, has been named dean of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech,



Blacksburg. Grant has published more than 150 refereed research abstracts and papers and has been invited to lecture at more than 25 international, national, and regional meetings. Grant

served as an external referee for the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Grants Program; and ad-hoc reviewer for the U.S.-Israel Binational Agricultural Research and Development Fund. He was also a visiting scientist at the Medical Research Council in London.

**Dan Alpert**, '73, COO and station manager of Detroit Public Television (WTVS Channel 56), has been awarded the Michigan Association of Public Broadcasters (MAPB) Professional Pioneer Award. Alpert



has served in the broadcasting industry for over 35 years, and is primarily responsible for the PBS station's content and revenue. Alpert has served on the boards of the Karmanos Cancer Institute, Michigan Association of Public Broadcasters (where he is currently vice president), the Friends of the Detroit School of Arts, and the National Television Academy (Michigan), which presented him the Silver Circle Award in 2000 for 25 years of industry service.

**Kelly S. Holdcraft**, '92, has been named the new director for the Paralegal Studies Program at Georgetown University, Washington, DC. Holdcraft boasts over 15 years



experience in the DC legal community. Prior to joining Georgetown, Holdcraft was the professional development coordinator at Hogan & Hartson LLP, where she coordinated all legal skills and knowledge-based training for over 1,100 attorneys worldwide. Prior to her role in legal train-

ing, Holdcraft was a senior paralegal in the Corporate Finance and Business Law group at Hogan & Hartson, an account executive at CT Corporation System and a corporate assistant with Hogan & Hartson.

**Don Christensen**, '73, is agency partner for Christensen Tamburri Communications, Raritan, NJ, which was the recipient of three prestigious Jersey Awards at the annual NJ Ad Club



awards ceremony. The agency picked up awards for clients Millington Savings Bank and the New Jersey Bankers Association. Christensen began his career in the advertising department of Vivitar International, Santa Monica, CA. He then joined Foote, Cone & Belding, Los Angeles. He then worked at Stiefel/Raymond Advertising, New York City, NY. In 2001, he co-founded Christensen Tamburri Communications.

**Dawn Alisha Lott**, '89, associate professor of applied mathematics and biological sciences at Delaware State University, Dover, DE, has been named director of the Honors Program. Lott is vice



president of the National Association of Mathematicians. She is a member of the Association for Women in Mathematics, the Mathematical Association of America, the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, the American Mathematical Society, and the Biomedical Engineering Society.

**Cheryl Stephenson**, MMUS '88, executive director of Music Academy of Eastern Carolina,



Greenville, has been named president of the South-eastern Region of the American Music Therapy

Association. Stephenson is chairwoman of the American Music Therapy Association (AMTA) professional advocacy committee and serves its governing board. Stephenson has over 25 years experience in the field of music therapy and is an active clinician and has published and presented at local and national conferences. Stephenson is a free-lance oboist, teaching and performing in eastern North Carolina and with the ensemble Harmonious Camaraderie.

*Candice Jackson*, '04, assistant women's basketball coach at the University of Richmond, VA, has been named assistant women's



basketball coach at Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC. In four years at Richmond,

she helped take the team from a 13-17 record in 2005-06 to a 24-10 finish in 2008-09. Jackson lettered at Michigan State from 2000-04, earning a degree in family community services while playing as a guard for Joanne McCallie, the current head women's basketball coach at Duke.

*Andrew Hugine Jr.* Ph.D., '77, president of South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, has been named president of Alabama A&M University, Normal. Hugine becomes the 11th president of the land-grant university founded in 1875. During his presidency at SCSU, Hugine spearheaded the construction of



a major residence facility and staged the university's first debate of the 2008 Democratic Party Presidential

Candidate Debate Series—the first such distinction for a historically black college. From 1976-78, Hugine served as a research analyst/assistant professor at MSU.

*Marcy Welburn*, '83, executive vice president with LandAmerica Financial Group, has joined



Transnation Title Agency of Michigan as an owner/manager. Transnation Title

Agency of Michigan is dedicated to providing title insurance and real estate closing throughout Michigan with offices in Lansing, East

Lansing, St. Johns, Grand Ledge, Grand Rapids, Holland, Muskegon, Grand Haven and Traverse City. Previously, Welburn was senior vice president at Fidelity National Title, strategic initiatives and compliance manager at LandAmerica Financial and EVP – Midwest regional leader at LandAmerica.

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# OBITUARIES

## 30s

*June A. (Boucher) Ballor*, '39, of Essexville.  
*Kenneth E. Bull*, '33, of Newaygo, Sep. 21, age 94.  
*June H. (Bialy) Colwell*, '38, of Fort Gratiot, Feb. 28, age 91.  
*John H. Flewelling*, '38, of Naples, FL, Sep. 30, age 96.  
*Kenneth H. Fraser*, '35, of Niles, Aug. 11.  
*Christine R. (Rothney) Haselden*, '38, of Okemos, Aug. 4, age 93.  
*Carl J. Haussman*, '39, of Lansing, Sep. 4, age 93.  
*Eleanor G. (Hubbard) Jacobs*, '35, of Bonita Springs, FL.  
*Ward R. Johnson*, '37, of Sonoma, CA, Oct. 7, age 94.  
*Robert R. Mumaw*, '39, of Marco Island, FL, Sep. 4, age 92.  
*Myrtle E. Salisbury-Parker*, '39, of St. Johns.  
*Charles Snider*, '38, of West Bloomfield, Jun. 9, age 94.  
*Sally A. (Howell) Swiss*, '39, of East Lansing, Sep. 11, age 91.

## 40s

*Elin Ann (Hultin) Alexander*, '48, of Holt, Sep. 21, age 83.  
*Thomas S. Anderson*, '40, of West Bloomfield, Sep. 9.  
*Joseph C. Bork*, '43, of Grand Rapids, Jul. 4, age 91.  
*Virginia M. (Hetzman) Bradford*, '44, of Midland, Feb. 3, age 87.  
*John F. Bricker*, '43, of Visalia, CA, Mar. 28.  
*Edwin T. Brown*, '49, of Grand Rapids.  
*James A. Carman*, '43, of Coldwater, Apr. 17, age 88.  
*Mary A. (Patterson) Castellanos*, '42, of Mount Prospect, IL.  
*Zoe M. (Woods) Cummings*, '47, of Houston, TX.  
*Thelma A. (Jones) Fawcett*, '43, of Loris, SC, Aug. 8, age 87.  
*Ernest S. Feenstra*, '42, of Manistee, Aug. 31, age 91.  
*Norman L. Fritz*, '42, of Rochester, NY, Jul. 29, age 91.  
*Olive R. (Roe) Galer*, '46, of Pickford.  
*Jane M. (Schmidt) Glaser*, '40, of Vernon, Aug. 21, age 90.  
*John T. Godfrey*, '49, of Stone Mountain, GA, Oct. 1, age 85.  
*Earl C. Gossett*, '48, of Saint James, MO.  
*Wendell E. Grove*, '49, of Flint.  
*Phyllis E. (Cronin) Gunderson*, '48,

of Henderson, NV, Sep. 2, age 82.  
*Virginia A. (Kirkut) Hanel*, '46, of East Lansing, Aug. 19, age 83.  
*Betty L. (Sheathelm) Henning*, '45, of Lansing, Sep. 22, age 88.  
*Laura L. (Riegel) Heuser*, '49, of Lawrence, Oct. 4, age 81.  
*Virgil L. Holdeman*, '48, of Highland, IL.  
*Riby N. Holmes*, '40, of Denton, TX, May 31, age 92.  
*Bernice A. (Winter) Hugger*, '49, of Grand Rapids, Feb. 22, age 81.  
*Milford H. Jones*, '49, of Portage.  
*Richard N. Kieppe*, '46, of Venice, FL, Oct. 1, age 88.  
*Shirley M. (Simmons) Kieppe*, '46, of Venice, FL, Jan. 1, age 85.  
*Henry E. Kiljanczyk*, '41, of Milwaukee, WI.  
*H. Stuart Knight*, '48, of Mc Lean, VA.  
*Barbara E. (Bower) Lancaster*, '44, of Weyers Cave, VA, Dec. 25, age 85.  
*Paul B. Larsen*, '40, of Hyde Park, UT.  
*Alfred A. Linn*, '42, of South Glastonbury, CT, Aug. 14.  
*Maurice G. Martineau*, '41, of Glen Ellyn, IL, Oct. 8, age 95.  
*Lillian G. (Radke) Mason*, '47, of Grand Blanc, Aug. 17, age 74.  
*William J. McCoy*, '42, of Lakeport.  
*Ralph F. Miller*, '44, of Florence, OR, Sep. 9.  
*Jane (Helbig) Moulton*, '47, of Aurora, OH, Sep. 24, age 83.  
*Phyllis J. (Rykala) Nelson*, '44, of East Lansing.  
*Joseph P. Nixon*, '49, of Grand Rapids, Aug. 22, age 86.  
*Seymour Okun*, '43, of West Bloomfield, Aug. 27, age 88.  
*Ronald F. Paige*, '49, of Pasadena, CA.  
*Robert R. Perry*, '41, of Mead, WA, Oct. 20, age 93.  
*Louis F. Plummer*, '43, of Largo, FL, Aug. 6, age 88.  
*Dale A. Riker*, '49, of Sarasota, FL.  
*Louise J. Rother Horst*, '48, of Asheville, NC, Mar. 21, age 88.  
*Nathaniel Saylor*, '49, of Tallahassee, FL, Jun. 30, age 89.  
*Hazel E. (Moritz) Scott*, '46, of Moorhead, MN, Apr. 9.  
*William C. Spindler*, '43, of Yucaipa, CA, May 8, age 88.  
*Arnold K. Stewart*, '41, of La Conner, WA, May 29, age 91.  
*Robert Thompson*, '49, of Ellwell, May 24, age 81.  
*Elmo J. Tibaldi*, '40, of Farmington Hills, Oct. 11, age 95.

## 50s

*John F. Angelacos*, '56, of New York, NY, Sep. 24.  
*Janet E. (Swain) Arter*, '53, of Donahue, IA.  
*Kenneth B. Bausbke*, '50, of Haslett, Sep. 26, age 84.  
*Robert I. Boyd*, '52, of Flint, Aug. 16, age 79.  
*Robert W. Brandt*, '50, of Clarksville, VA, Nov. 30, age 83.  
*Mary H. Buckley*, '59, of Novi, Sep. 8, age 85.  
*Daniel E. Chappell*, '54, of Battle Creek, Mar. 1.  
*George B. Cleaveland*, '57, of Livonia, Aug. 31, age 74.  
*Robert W. Collins*, '52, of Chesterton, IN, Sep. 15, age 86.  
*Horace D'Angelo*, '57, of Royal Oak, Oct. 14, age 74.  
*Daniel C. DeGraff*, '50, of Bloomfield Hills, Nov. 14.  
*Deane M. Dingman*, '50, of Mills River, NC, Jul. 12, age 82.  
*Frank M. Duelo*, '57, of Farmington.  
*Henry Engen*, '56, of Paso Robles, CA, Jul. 19, age 74.  
*Lester E. Eyer*, '54, of Saint Louis, May 23, age 97.  
*Sally Faber*, '52, of Ada, Aug. 10, age 78.  
*June L. (Silvers) Foley*, '52, of Darien, CT, Dec. 16, age 79.  
*Robert K. Ford*, '50, of Rochester, Aug. 23, age 85.  
*Fred C. Foster*, '51, of Carpenter, WY, Feb. 27.  
*Thomas K. Gentles*, '50, of Johns Island, SC, Aug. 8.  
*Hans L. Grunwald*, '50, of Lansing, Oct. 6, age 86.  
*Tamara Harrod*, '56, of Grand Ledge, Sep. 6, age 87.  
*Dwight M. Herman*, '50, of Northfield, MN, Sep. 22, age 84.  
*James P. Honsinger*, '50, of Ocala, FL, Jun. 1, age 82.  
*Keith C. Hover*, '57, of Flushing.  
*Mogens F. Jensen*, '59, of Grand Blanc, Sep. 20, age 85.  
*Harold E. Jentzen*, '53, of Howell.  
*Selwyn Jones*, '57, of Eden Prairie, MN, Jun. 27, age 82.  
*Fred Karwacki*, '50, of Tavares, FL, Aug. 14.  
*Robert C. Kettunen*, '53, of Bellaire, Sep. 5.  
*Thomas W. Kimen*, '58, of Green Lake, WI, Sep. 14, age 73.  
*Shirley L. (McWood) Lee*, '50, of Bloomfield Hills.

*Marvin A. Lieberman*, '50, of Dimondale, Jul. 18, age 81.  
*M. Ethel (Maki) Luoto*, '59, of Holt, Aug. 27, age 89.  
*Allyn L. McCormic*, '52, of Midland, Sep. 19, age 81.  
*James L. McPeak*, '53, of Petoskey.  
*Charles G. Mead*, '57, of Rockwood, TN.  
*Joseph P. Mefford*, '58, of Glen Cove, NY, Jul. 17, age 80.  
*Lorraine M. (Sowchuk) Metcalf*, '59, of Flushing, Jul. 19, age 72.  
*Robert L. Meythaler*, '51, of Fenton, Jan. 17, age 80.  
*Bruce G. Mitchell*, '50, of Swartz Creek.  
*Ronald E. Morrison*, '54, of Napa, CA, Oct. 3, age 77.  
*Clyde E. Mott*, '50, of Edmonds, WA, Jul. 6.  
*Robert R. Nielsen*, '50, of Crestview, FL.  
*James R. Pearson*, '50, of Flushing, Jun. 8, age 84.  
*Edna E. (Leyrer) Pease*, '50, of Mill Valley, CA.  
*John E. Proctor*, '55, of Stilwell, KS, Aug. 1, age 76.  
*Judith A. (Moss) Rademacher*, '50, of Birmingham.  
*Donald F. Rapparlie*, '50, of Worcester, MA, Mar. 27.  
*Ralph E. Robinson*, '50, of Jackson.  
*Jack W. Roden*, '56, of East Lansing, Aug. 9, age 81.  
*Charles M. Rogers*, '56, of Northville, Jun. 1, age 80.  
*William A. Rogers*, '50, of Queen Creek, AZ, Apr. 22.  
*Dalton C. Rumsey*, '56, of Paw Paw, Jul. 8, age 80.  
*Joseph A. Savoldi*, '57, of Traverse City.  
*George A. Schornack*, '50, of Lake Forest, CA, Oct. 1, age 83.  
*Norman H. Sernick*, '57, of Lansing, Aug. 23, age 77.  
*Myzell Sowell*, '52, of Southfield, Jul. 31, age 84.  
*Richard J. Stoner*, '50, of Wooster, OH, Aug. 2, age 86.  
*Gordon R. Tallman*, '55, of Lake Wales, FL, May 5, age 75.  
*Jack E. Tobey*, '50, of Westland, Jul. 15, age 83.  
*David VanMeter*, '51, of New Haven, IN.  
*Lawrence VanderWagon*, '53, of Sacramento, CA.  
*Bertrand W. Weesner*, '59, of Germantown, TN, Feb. 20.  
*Carl M. Weideman*, '50, of Eastpointe, Sep. 9.

*Jack E. Williams*, '51, of Grand Blanc, Jun. 27.

## 60s

*Nancy J. Allen*, '67, of Grosse Pointe, Sep. 5, age 77.

*Joel C. Baker*, '65, of Green River, WY, Apr. 12.

*John R. Bender*, '65, of South Bend, IN, Jul. 17.

*Harold E. Birr*, '60, of Newtown Square, PA, Sep. 9, age 72.

*Greta I. Borgstrom*, '61, of Sweden.

*Margaret M. Bott*, '62, of Harrisburg, PA, Jun. 7, age 77.

*James E. Brackett*, '67, of Traverse City, Dec. 9, age 66.

*William R. Brewer*, '69, of Muskegon, Aug. 31.

*David A. Butler*, '60, of Capitola, CA, Apr. 7, age 71.

*Don M. Carlson*, '61, of Dumfries, VA, Jul. 15, age 78.

*Charles C. Cheatham*, '62, Sep. 18. John W. Davis, '66.

*Julie B. Eliasohn-Luebke*, '69, of Okemos, Jul. 26, age 67.

*Roger O. Evans*, '68, of Pillager, MN, Jul. 18, age 70.

*Errol L. Foss*, '62, of Royal Oak, Sep. 1, age 68.

*Ellen J. (Southworth) Gale*, '66, of Grand Ledge, Apr. 6.

*James L. Gilhouse*, '69, of Williamston, Aug. 29, age 73.

*Louis H. Grossman*, '63, of Scottsdale, AZ, Aug. 21, age 90.

*Judith C. (Hill) Haefner*, '63, of Fountain Valley, CA, Aug. 11, age 67.

*Robert E. Hayes*, '69, of Farmington.

*Nicholas R. Hostettler*, '67, of New Baltimore, Sep. 19.

*Justin R. Houston*, '68, of Lansing.

*Verne D. Hulce*, '66, of Bay City, Sep. 3, age 67.

*Leland D. Lambert*, '64, of Hurlock, MD, Jul. 19, age 83.

*Duane C. Larson*, '68, of Knoxville, TN, Jul. 8, age 65.

*Doris L. Marshall*, '69, of Stockbridge, Nov. 19, age 61.

*Donald T. Maruoka*, '60, of Orange, CA.

*Fredric W. Moses*, '68, of Wolf Point, MT.

*Judith A. (Willis) Muntz*, '66, of Crystal River, FL, Aug. 13.

*Richard C. Nordine*, '66, of Escanaba.

*Dan C. Pangborn*, '68, of Midland, Jun. 28.

*Richard J. Pearl*, '60, of Lansing, Oct. 13, age 79.

*Frank D. Perry*, '69, of Wilmington, NC, Mar. 21, age 73.

*David A. Peterson*, '65, of Jackson.

*Carol L. (Cline) Plafchan*, '65, of Beverly Hills, Sep. 16, age 67.

*Joseph M. Rozek*, '60, of Pigeon, Jun. 9.

*Hugo Salazar*, '65, of Dunedin, FL, Jan. 26, age 79.

*John F. Schwartz*, '65, of Waterford, Apr. 18, age 71.

*Priscilla L. Shaver*, '62, of East Lansing, Aug. 10, age 72.

*Margaret H. Smith*, '67, of Portland, Aug. 19, age 84.

*Patricia M. Spice*, '68, of Flint, Mar. 6, age 64.

*Vi M. Taylor*, '65, of Denton, TX, Aug. 3, age 87.

*Susan D. Vader*, '67, of Coupeville, WA.

*William W. Wirtanen*, '68, of Spirit Lake, IA, Sep. 29, age 64.

*Kwok Fai Yeung*, '64, of Canton, Apr. 4, age 70.

## 70s

*Diane M. Albert*, '73, of Littleton, CO, Feb. 20, age 57.

*Michael B. Anderson*, '73, of Blauvelt, NY, Mar. 5, age 56.

*Loretta J. Arjona*, '77, of San Diego, CA, Jul. 10, age 68.

*Jane M. Bailey*, '75, of Petoskey, Jun. 22, age 56.

*Mary A. (Wren) Bivins*, '70, of Oswego, NY, Aug. 5, age 63.

*David T. Black*, '74, of East Lansing, Aug. 21, age 56.

*Donald M. Blaty*, '73, of Farmington Hills, Sep. 9, age 76.

*Jack E. Brummel*, '76, of Holland.

*Doris L. (Alcorn) Carlice*, '73, of Lansing, Oct. 11, age 78.

*John V. Chylek*, '72, of Escanaba, Mar. 12.

*Ruth E. Demel*, '72, of Puyallup, WA.

*David B. Diamond*, '71, of Alpena, May 10.

*Joann A. Downing*, '78, of Dexter, Jan. 7, age 53.

*Wilfred H. Faulkner*, '74, of Blissfield.

*Ronald A. Fiscus*, '71, of Waterford, Sep. 20, age 77.

*Carol A. (Doumanian) Glowacki*, '73, of Farmington Hills, May 14, age 57.

*Samuel C. Gonzalez*, '73, of Green Bay, WI, Oct. 1, age 58.

*Carol A. (Crocker) Harton*, '72, of Lansing, Aug. 30, age 59.

*Harold P. Herring*, '78, of Bloomsburg, PA, Jul. 14, age 62.

*Catherine B. (Bennigan) Howery*, '74, of Leslie, Jul. 29, age 60.

*Barbara S. (Chase) Hulbert*, '79, of Petersburg, Sep. 30, age 53.

*John C. Hunt*, '70, of Lansing, Aug. 4.

*Howard S. Jackson*, '74, of Troy, Aug. 19, age 86.

*Carl J. Johnson*, '76, of Lansing, Aug. 18, age 60.

*Lorena J. Kamminga*, '71, of East Lansing, Aug. 17, age 92.

*Phyllis B. (Cutler) Kramer*, '78, of Huntington Woods, Sep. 5, age 53.

*Larry W. Leopold*, '78, of Canton, Mar. 8, age 63.

*Kenneth G. MacKool*, '73, of Grosse Pointe, Aug. 26, age 60.

*Ronnie L. McCrum*, '72, of Lansing, Jul. 30, age 60.

*Curtis A. McKenrick*, '70, of Edson, KS, May 20.

*Michael C. Mebarg*, '71, of Alpena, Apr. 3, age 60.

*Douglas F. Mernitz*, '73, of Lansing, Aug. 10, age 62.

*Merlyn D. Mondol*, '73, of Saginaw.

*Benjamin S. Neubausen*, '71, of Highland Park, IL.

*John M. Newby*, '72, of Jackson, Apr. 21, age 81.

*James D. Nuttall*, '72, of Malvern, PA, May 30, age 59.

*Clifford A. Oakley*, '79, of Port Orange, FL, Jul. 18, age 64.

*Motilal B. Pamnani*, '75, of

*Montgomery Village*, MD, Jun. 22, age 75.

*Vern C. Peck*, '73, of Grand Rapids, May 14, age 70.

*Randall S. Peterson*, '71, of New Buffalo, Feb. 4.

*Don E. Ricks*, '71, of Birmingham, AL, Jul. 16, age 67.

*Michael G. Sholler*, '72, of Kalamazoo, Jan. 1, age 59.

*Richard A. Smith*, '75, of Cheboygan.

*Duane G. Stevens*, '75, of North Fort Myers, FL, Jan. 15, age 61.

*Wilbur L. Swarthout*, '73, of Holly, Aug. 24, age 65.

*Ann M. (Koenigsnecht) Thelen*, '77, of Cincinnati, OH, Sep. 2, age 54.

*Kenneth A. Thelen*, '76, of Cincinnati, OH, Oct. 4, age 54.

*Clair L. Wilhelm*, '78, of Mason, Aug. 8, age 78.

*Tess M. Williams*, '71, of Orem, UT, Sep. 20, age 85.

*Gregory E. Wright*, '72, of Dublin, OH, Jul. 31, age 59.

*Verla S. Younker*, '76, of Sandy, UT, Sep. 17, age 57.

*Christie S. (Chvojka) Zacharda*, '71, of Laingsburg, Jul. 31, age 60.

## 80s

*Kenton N. Greening*, '82, of Muskegon, Oct. 13, age 52.

*Thomas J. Grubka*, '80, of Portage, Apr. 18, age 50.

*Stanley D. Haley*, '86, of Portland, OR.

*Kimberly S. Hekker*, '82, of Royal Oak.

*Michael A. Hill*, '80, of Lansing, Aug. 1, age 53.

*Karen L. Karelius*, '82, of Donald, OR, Jul. 7, age 60.

*George C. Katsarelis*, '82, of Farmington, Jun. 5, age 49.

*Carla Y. Kenney*, '81, of Green Bay, WI, Jul. 18, age 58.

*Denis C. Lavelle*, '83, of Lakewood, OH, Oct. 7, age 48.

*Brian K. McDaniel*, '80, of Charlotte, Jul. 18, age 51.

*Mark S. Peterson*, '84, of East Lansing, Jul. 31, age 47.

*Charnetta G. Poole*, '83, of Fort Lee, NJ.

*Jetta (Speicher) Winstrom*, '84, of Grand Haven, Mar. 13, age 59.

## 90s

*Brent J. Chilcote*, '95, of Spring Arbor, Jul. 13, age 44.

*Julie A. (Janis) Finch*, '92, of Traverse City, Jan. 1, age 38.

*Selwyn W. Leung*, '97, of Farmington Hills, Oct. 9, age 36.

*Joseph J. Marrazza*, '92, of Dewitt, Sep. 14, age 47.

*Constance Montgomery*, '95, of Lansing, Jun. 27, age 56.

## 00s

*Pamela K. Bolek*, '01, of Grand Rapids, Jul. 16, age 56.

*Kelly M. Guthrie*, '00, of Dimondale, Jul. 16, age 36.

*Joseph J. Lapalme*, '07, of West Bloomfield, May 16, age 24.

*Mark A. Smith*, '00, of Northville, May 16, age 31.

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*Herbert Bergman*, of East Lansing, Aug. 31, age 84.

*George K. Dike*, '61, of Okemos, Sep. 17, age 91.

*Owen H. Jorgensen*, of Gaylord, Aug. 7, age 81.

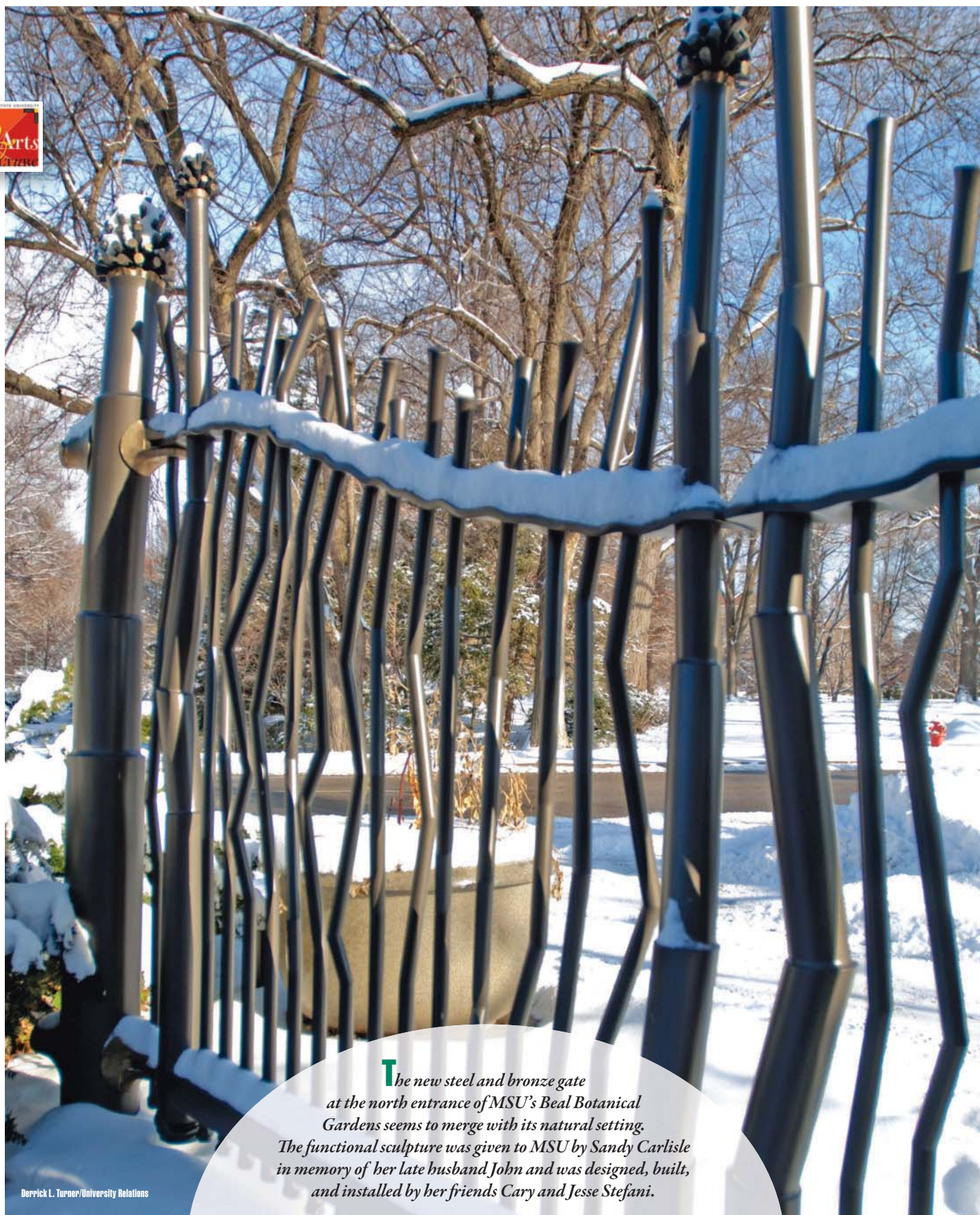
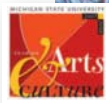
*Allen Leepa*, of New Port Richey, FL.

*Bruce L. Miles*, '51, of Fort Myers, FL, Jul. 21, age 83.

*Barnett Rosenberg*, Aug. 8, age 82.

*Peter J. Wagner*, of Okemos.

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