

WALSAA EXPRESS

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Senior Leadership

Nine CALS Seniors received Activity and Leadership Awards from WALSAA at the Spring Commencement Breakfast on May 19. Pictured at left, is Eliza Ulness, Most Active CALS Student Award, representing the Association of Women in Agriculture. Other recipients of activity and leadership awards are from left, Lea McCullough, Badger Dairy Club; Yejin Eun, Undergraduate Biochemistry Organization; Richard Wipperfurth, American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers; Keela Retallick, Saddle and Sirloin Club; Mitch Amundson, Alpha Gamma Rho; Abby Wochinski, CALS Honors and Research Society; Grant Schneider, CALS Ambassadors; Ryan Munes, Wildlife Society; and Liz Henry, WALSAA vice president. Not pictured but receiving awards were: Devin Duitly, MANNRS; Jenna Klink, Village Health Project; Danielle Ploeckelman, UW Horticulture Society; Ryan Scannell, CALS Student Council; Kelli Truszynski, Dietetics and Nutrition Club; and Robert Van Wyhe, Poultry Science Club. All received a first installment on a life membership in WALSAA.

CALS Alum Selected 60th Alice in Dairyland

Jill Makovec of Muscoda was selected as the state's 60th Alice in Dairyland in May following three intense days of interviews and public appearances in Chippewa County. She was one of five final candidates for the public relations job that carries six decades of Wisconsin agricultural tradition.



Jill Makovec

"I am elated to be selected as Wisconsin's 60th Alice in Dairyland," said Makovec. "I look forward to serving as the state's agricultural ambassador for the year."

Her speech, "Country Mouse Meets City Mouse," highlighted the interdependence between urban and rural Wisconsin and helped clinch the job.

"I want to congratulate Ms. Makovec for her significant achievement in this highly competition selection process. All of these outstanding young women have demonstrated a remarkable commitment to Wisconsin agriculture," said Rod Nilsestuen, state agriculture secretary. "Agriculture is our heritage. It is also our future."

Other finalists for the position were Brenda Cavanaugh, Prairie du Sac; Tolea-Kamm Peissig, Athens; Amanda Levzow, Rio; and Susan Orth, Fennimore.

2007 Badger Football Schedule

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| Sept. 1 | 2:30 p.m. | Washington State |
| Sept. 8 | 9 p.m. | UNLV |
| Sept. 15 | 11 a.m. | The Citadel* |
| Sept. 22 | 7 p.m. | Iowa |
| Sept. 29 | TBA | Michigan State |
| Oct. 6 | TBA | Illinois |
| Oct. 13 | 2:30 p.m. | Penn State** |
| Oct. 20 | TBA | Northern Illinois |
| Oct. 27 | 11 a.m. | Indiana*** |
| Nov. 3 | TBA | Ohio State |
| Nov. 10 | TBA | Michigan |
| Nov. 18 | TBA | Minnesota |

Home games in red

*Fire-Up

**WALSAA Trip

***Homecoming





A Busy Time

President's Message



Summer is upon us and with it brings some of the busiest times for your WALSAA board and staff. As you will note in this issue of WALSAA Express, a very prominent person in the history and development of WALSAA is announcing his retirement. Dean Rick Daluge has been the consistent presence of WALSAA for many years and in addition to his tireless execution of the duties of being the secretary-treasurer, he has made selfless contributions to the betterment of the alumni. He has seen the annual Fire-Up grow from its humble beginnings, to the present college-wide alumni gathering. He has worked with board members by the score and traveled to destinations far and wide with alumni groups and students. He is one of the founding members of the National Agriculture Alumni Development Association and has been instrumental in their success of bringing development programming to benefit professionals and alumni across the United States. He has been a cornerstone in the ongoing growth and development of the short course program. His accomplishments are too far and wide to mention fully in this brief article. We congratulate Dean Daluge on his retirement.

While Dean Daluge gets

all the credit, we must not fail to recognize the partner in crime that does most of Rick's work. Peggy, Rick's wife, has been the person that Rick has taken along to numerous events. Peggy has been instrumental in supporting Rick and in helping to get the details ironed out on countless projects. She is chief photographer, Badger promoter, box and cooler carrier and trip organizer. We thank Peggy for her tireless contributions to WALSAA events over the years.

With the transition, you will be excited to know that a new position is being created in the Dean's office to work with alumni, and alumni relation activities. Associate Dean Ben Miller is currently in the process of reviewing applications for the role of Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs. By the time you read this we hope to have conducted a thorough set of interviews to select a great candidate to work with alumni.

We are in the midst of finalizing details for the 2007 NAADA convention. We anticipate about 150 alumni and development people from across the country to join us in Madison for the annual conference. We thank those people and businesses who are supporting the NAADA Conference with donations of time, talents, finances and products. It will be a great showcase of Wisconsin.

In other news, MARK SEPT. 15 ON YOUR CALENDARS FOR FIRE-UP. It took awhile to get confirmation from the

Athletic Ticket Office, but we are rolling with planning for the annual event. Fire-Up and the silent auction is the single biggest fundraising event for WALSAA. The funds generated through the auction and ticket sales enable the association to support many students with travel awards, scholarships, ambassador funds, and faculty awards, not to mention other alumni events. Plan on being there to salute Dean Daluge and welcome in the new alumni relations director.

It is an exciting time to be involved with WALSAA. There is much going on at the University as Dean Molly Jahn continues to guide the efforts. While we are in the midst of a transition, we must take advantage of the time to thank outstanding individuals for their achievements, acknowledge their great contributions which have led WALSAA to where it stands today. We also recognize the opportunity that as every change occurs, we have the opportunity to open the next chapter of WALSAA. We thank all for their support of the college, for your support of WALSAA and for your tireless enthusiasm as Badger fans.

ON WISCONSIN!

Steven Thomas, president

In Memoriam

Peter Senn FISC'50
 James L Ray BS'42
 Arnold (Arnie) Wesley Wolff
 BS'75
 Robert C Walkoe BS'54



A significant transition is on the horizon for the CALS alumni family. Rick Daluge, our highly esteemed and long-serving assistant dean and secretary/treasurer of WALSAA, has announced his retirement and will be moving on to new things this fall. In all, Rick has given 35 years of his very best to our college, and his experience, dedication and leadership on alumni issues have been a tremendous asset to us all. During my travels around the state, as I hear about the many ways our college impacts our communities, I am constantly reminded by friends and supporters of the difference Rick has made and the great work he has done representing our college. Rick's work through the years to keep in touch with and grow the CALS community of supporters has created a gift that will truly keep on giving - to our current and future students and to all those who benefit from the work of the college out in the state.

As I look around this college, I see so many activities that owe their excellence and impact to Rick's influence - our outstanding Farm and Industry Short Course program, for example, has grown and adapted admirably under Rick's leadership and remains one of our most vital links to producers and agricultural leaders in the state. I meet our short course grads all around the state, and Rick's commitment to this course and the next generation of agriculture and community leaders will ensure that they are prepared for the many challenges and opportunities that lay before them. Also, Rick has been an inte-

gral part of our college's connection to the FFA, and through his efforts thousands of youths from around the state have had an opportunity to visit CALS. Many of those students found their way to UW-Madison and enrolled in our college.

Further, throughout his tenure here at CALS, Rick has provided essential leadership for WALSAA. He invested many long hours traveling from event to event and helped this organization develop its strategic vision. He has reached out personally to thousands of our alumni, sharing his knowledge and pride about our college. In short, it is clear that his retirement marks the end of an epoch, and his efforts will be hard to replace.

Yet try we must, even as we wish Rick and Peggy a wonderful retirement. And we do have some very exciting possibilities. Thanks to Rick's efforts, and the leadership of WALSAA President Steve Thomas and the WALSAA board, we have a strong and engaged alumni association that does invaluable work - from providing scholarships for our students to support of activities that build the visibility and awareness of our college. We are choosing to view this transition as an opportunity to take the next step in that relationship by exploring new ways to engage and involve our more than 35,000 college alumni. I know Rick shares my excitement about our ideas, and we are counting on his experience, insights and continued support as we move forward.

This fall, we will be launching a new magazine that will share the important work of the college with our alumni and other constituents. We envision this publication as an ongoing conversation between the faculty and students of our college and our alumni.

It will be something that helps inform our alumni of current college activities and help connect you to the exciting work taking place on campus. In honor of what we do so much of in CALS, we will call this magazine *Grow*. We are also proud to say that we have expanded Rick's alumni affairs responsibilities into a full-time position, which we are in the process of filling now. Our new alumni affairs representative will have the privilege of continuing in the role that supports WALSAA's activities and will also serve as a liaison to the college. We anticipate that this new team member will also bring fresh ideas about how to reach out to our wider alumni community.

I wish that I could adequately capture for all of you the energy and spirit that resonates around this campus these days. Our faculty, staff and students realize that we are on the cusp of something big. We are entering an era in which the fields that we study - areas in which we already have tremendous knowledge and experience - are undergoing fundamental change. Our college has an opportunity to lead that change with the integrated missions and disciplines we represent. Yet we know we cannot step up to this opportunity as successfully or completely as possible without the full involvement of our alumni. You are our ambassadors to the world, and with your help, I honestly believe we can make it a better place.

Thanks, and On, Wisconsin!

Molly Jahn, dean



A Time to Move On



I am writing this in the midst of preparations for the National Agricultural Alumni and Development Association (NAADA) meeting hosted by WALSAA and the College on June 16-20. By the time you read this, it will all be over and co-chairs, Jennifer Vincent and Jessica Agnew will be breathing a sigh of relief. And Brian Hettiger from the UW Foundation and I will be able to do our normal work! The conference is shaping up to be a good one with over 150 attendees from all over the country. Thanks to all of you who have helped, donated to, and attended parts of the conference. This has truly been a team effort.

As some of you know, I have decided to retire from the University effective Oct. 5. I will have worked with WALSAA for 35 years as of October - almost from its very beginning. It has been a great ride and I have had a chance to meet and work with so many of you over the years, including great board members, super volunteers, fantastic students, and some very dedicated alumni of our College. Now it is time for me to move on.

I think we have made some progress during this time and the association is in good financial condition with a life member endowment, scholarship endowment, Ambassador endowment, and an Advising award endowment. All told, our endowed funds at the UW Foundation exceed \$590,000. Your Board is a good one and will certainly keep WALSAA moving forward in the

years ahead.

I will miss many of my WALSAA connections, but hope I can continue to help out with some activities as a volunteer, just like all of you. Peggy and I hope to spend more time with our two grandchildren, continuing our travels around the world, and finding more time for some downhill skiing and perhaps reading a good book or two.

In the meantime, the College is searching for an alumni relations director who will be full time in the alumni affairs area, working out of the College's external relations unit. We'll try to make this transition as smooth as possible,

but do ask your patience in the upcoming months as I retire and a new person begins.

As always, I hope to see many of you at State Fair, Fire-Up, Farm Technology Days, and other summer events. Please find volunteer forms elsewhere in the newsletter as well as the football ticket application form.

On Wisconsin!

*Rick Daluge,
secretary/treasurer*



Outstanding Sophomores

WALSAA Outstanding Sophomores were recognized at the last WALSAA Board Luncheon April 26 at Gordon Commons. Each student will receive a \$1,000 scholarship for use in his or her junior year.

They are pictured, left to right, front row: CALS Dean Molly Jahn; Elizabeth Seitz, WALSAA scholarship, dairy science, Odenton, Md.; Lauren Walsh, John and Cathy Brunnquell scholarship, dairy science, Clinton; Lindley Reilly, William and Jean Ehrke scholarship, dairy science, Cascade; Brianna Laube, WALSAA scholarship, genetics, Brodhead; Andrea Bloom, Jerry and Ruth Apps Scholarship, life sciences communication, Loyal; Anne Dorshorst, Dr. David Dickson Scholarship, dairy science, Junction City; back row: Steve Thomas, WALSAA president; Michael Dogs, Ed and Linda Jesse Scholarship, ag & applied economics, Mayville; Sarah Shafer, Eric Birschbach Scholarship, life sciences communication, Madison; Benjamin Van Treeck, Robert Kaczmarek Scholarship, genetics, Sheboygan Falls; Sheri Nelson, Kenneth Kopp Scholarship, ag & applied economics, East Troy.

Not pictured is: Hannah Uhlenhake, Robert Kaczmarek Scholarship, Biological Systems Engineering, Salem.



Alice

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Makovec serves as a manager of education and information for AgSource. A graduate of UW-Madison, she earned her master's degree in dairy science and her bachelor's degree in dairy science and agricultural journalism. She grew up on her family's dairy farm, Lazy M Acres. In 2002, Makovec served as Wisconsin Fairest of the Fairs strengthening the profile of Wisconsin fairs. Makovec has also worked with Cows on the Concourse, Association of Women in Agriculture and

Fairest of Fair committee.

Makovec assumes her duties on June 4 and will receive a salary of \$40,000, all travel expenses in completion of her duties as Alice and a jacket made from Wisconsin mink pelts from the Kettle Moraine Mink Breeders Association. In addition, she will use a 14K gold and platinum brooch and tiara decorated with diamonds, citrines and amethysts. After her year of service, the tiara's pear-shaped amethyst is made into a pendant and is hers to keep.

Nicole Reese, the 59th Alice,

completes her year on June 4, having logged more than 40,000 miles, visited 100 schools, made close to 300 appearances and rung up about \$1.5 million in press coverage for Wisconsin agriculture.

"It has been a privilege to serve as the state's 59th Alice in Dairyland - an experience I will never forget," said Reese who will teach agriculture education at Milton High School in the fall and serve as an FFA advisor.

The 61st Alice in Dairyland will be selected next year in Sheboygan County.

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WALSAA Booth Volunteers Needed

WALSAA and the College are again sponsoring a display Aug. 2-Aug. 12 at the Wisconsin State Fair in West Allis. We request alumni to volunteer to staff the WALSAA Booth during those days. We need two or three alumni in the booth during each of the three-hour shifts. If you are available and believe you would enjoy the experience of staffing our booth please indicate your availability on the scheduling form below.

College staff will orient you to booth duties which include handing out literature, visiting with alumni and students and having fairgoers take the special "Ag Quiz" which will give them a chance to win milk. The booth will be located in the Wisconsin Products Pavilion. This booth provides an excellent opportunity to educate fairgoers on the importance of agriculture in our state and to tell them about our College and what we do here.

All alumni, spouses and friends who work will receive a complimentary admission pass. Please note that unfortunately this does not include parking. Due to the limited parking available on the fairgrounds, advance-parking passes are no longer available. Take this opportunity to attend the State Fair and see it before or after your shift. Fill out the form below and return by July 7 to WALSAA, 116 Ag Hall, 1450 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706.

We'll send further information and your admission passes to you in late July. Questions? Call WALSAA at 608-262-5784 or e-mail walsaa@cals.wisc.edu.

State Fair WALSAA Booth Volunteer Schedule

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 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 E-mail _____

| | 9 a.m. - Noon | Noon - 3 p.m. | 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. | 6 p.m.- 9 p.m. |
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| Thursday - Aug. 2 | | | | |
| Friday - Aug. 3 | | | | |
| Saturday - Aug. 4 | | | | |
| Sunday - Aug. 5 | | | | |
| Monday - Aug. 6 | | | | |
| Tuesday - Aug. 7 | | | | |
| Wednesday - Aug. 8 | | | | |
| Thursday - Aug. 9 | | | | |
| Friday - Aug. 10 | | | | |
| Saturday - Aug. 11 | | | | |
| Sunday - Aug. 12 | | | | |

**Return NO LATER THAN July 7
to WALSAA, 116 Ag Hall, 1450 Linden Dr., Madison, WI 53706**



Hansen Awarded For Volunteer Service

John J. Hansen (BS'60 Meat and Animal Science) will receive NAADA's Volunteer Service Award at this year's national conference in Madison. John's outstanding volunteer service to the agricultural programs of the UW's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences made him eligible for this award.

During his tenure as chair of the CALS Board of Visitors and as WALSA president he has served the College well. John has 12 years of service to the College with the time spent on the two boards.

As many of you may remember while John was

WALSAA president he advocated for an ambassador group in the College and helped to establish an endowment to partially fund the program. John also generously endowed the Babcock Hall Dairy Store with a gift that enabled them to remodel.

Some of you may know John as the founder of the Kwik-Trip chain of convenience stores. John, his wife Donna and their five children grew the business from a single store to more than 250 when they sold their interests in the company about five years ago. Their family business remains as Nesnah Ventures that has interests in



John Hansen

a convenience store chain, fuel ethanol production, gasoline marketing and distribution and personnel recruitment and management services for businesses.

Friday Received Philanthropist Award

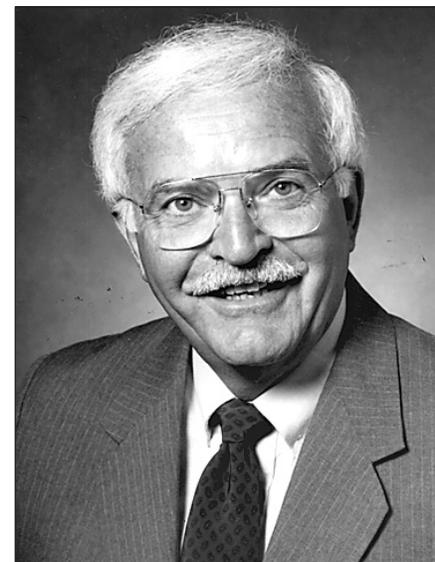
Fritz Friday (BS'55, Food Science) received NAADA's Ruby C. McSwain Outstanding Philanthropist Award at this year's national conference in Madison. Fritz's record of sustained giving that contributed to research and teaching in the College qualified him for this award.

Fritz has a 24-year history of giving consistently and generously to the College. He has not only made significant contributions to the Food Science department, he has left a legacy on campus in support of vegetable production and processing that

will affect the industry for generations.

Fritz's history of philanthropy to CALS spans gifts to building funds, two named professorships, scholarships, lectureship funds and the general fund to the college.

While leading a national and international vegetable processing company, Fritz volunteered his time as a member of the CALS Board of Visitors from 1989 to 1995 and remains to this day as an emeritus member of the Board. Fritz is also the retired CEO and President of Friday Canning Corporation in New



Fritz Friday

Richmond.

Fritz and his wife Kathryn have three children.

Congratulations



A Big Success!



Chairmen Honored

NAADA President Bill Sheets (left) recognized (left to right) Jennifer Vincent, Rick Daluge, Brian Hettiger and Jessica Agnew for their job well done in hosting the NAADA Conference in Madison, June 16-19.



Great Representation

A strong contingency represented UW-Madison at the NAADA Conference that took place here in Wisconsin. They were (left to right) Marilyn Boland, UW Foundation; Liz Henry, WALSAA vice president; Annie Engebretson, UW Foundation; Jennifer Vincent, WALSAA Board; Peggy Daluge, WALSAA; Rick Daluge, WALSAA secretary/treasurer; Merle Richter, WALSAA Board; Brian Hettiger, UW Foundation; Jessica Agnew, WALSAA Board.



Rural Leadership Program Seeks Applicants

In these times of rapid change, the call for enlightened, visionary and broad-based leadership is ever more important. We need leaders who understand the social, economic and political dimensions of local, national and global environments we live in. We need leaders who are passionate and focused. We need highly motivated leaders. We need leaders who are ready and willing to help make a positive difference.

Are YOU up for the challenge?

The Wisconsin Rural Leadership Program (WRLP) is now seeking candidates for its next group. WRLP, an intensive two-year leadership program, has a 24 year history of providing communities, businesses, and organizations with leaders; leaders with a broader vision, an understanding of themselves and the world. The program is designed to develop leaders to strengthen communities. WALSA provides \$400 in support to WALSA members selected for the program.

Participants reflect the diversity and richness of backgrounds and cultures of Wisconsin's people, yet they share a common desire to actively help solve their community's issues. It is the only statewide leadership development program in Wisconsin. In 2003 the W. K. Kellogg Foundation recognized WRLP for its impact as "one of the exemplary leadership development programs in the nation."

Through a combination

of real world learning experiences, classroom activities, field experiences and readings, participants are provided with a forum for rigorous discussions organized into a series of practical seminars over a two-year period. This includes eight, 3-day seminars held in various locations throughout Wisconsin focusing on different topics such as technology, environmental, state government, diversity, global economics, urban issues, tension between individuals and community, and leadership. Participants also travel to another part of the United States for a one-week

seminar, studying a region very different than where they live and work. Politics come alive during a week-long seminar in Washington, D.C. Their perspective broadens as they look at another culture through the eyes of its people and experience life as others do in a two-week international seminar.

For more information, an application, or to nominate someone, contact WRLP at 610 Langdon Street, Room 331, Madison, WI 53703; phone 608-263-0817; fax 608-262-4231; e-mail: janet.short@ces.uwex.edu or web: www.uwex.edu/ces/wrlp.

Outstanding Seniors



CALS Outstanding Seniors Named

These CALS students were recognized as Outstanding Seniors at the May Commencement breakfast by College of Agricultural and Life Sciences Undergraduate Program Services Associate Dean Robert O. Ray. The criteria for selection as an Outstanding Senior included academic excellence, campus/community involvement and volunteer service. Seniors pictured with Dean Ray (far right) include, left to right: Anita Boor, Hutchinson, Minn., biology; Abby Wochinski, Kaukauna, biochemistry; Amanda Herzog, Franksville, biochemistry; Amy Friedig, Middleton, horticulture; YeJin Eun, Kwangju, Korea, biochemistry; and Erica Schoeller, Cross Plains, genetics.



Alumni Spotted at Cows on the Concourse

A Moooving Event



Top left: Katy (Duwe) Katzman, BS'98, is making lots of cheese sandwiches at the event. She farms with her husband near Whitewater.

Top right: Laura Daniels, BS'97, has her hands full of cheese sandwiches for the workers at Cows on the Concourse. Laura milks over 200 Jersey cows near Cobb, and works part-time for Vita Plus.

Bottom left: Shannon Hayes, BS'98, volunteering at Cows on the Concourse on June 2. Hayes is a realtor with Restaino Bunbury.

Bottom right: Christine Lepple, BS'06, talks with kids about the dairy industry. She works out of Beaver Dam and is a sales rep for Animart.





Phil Hasheider, BS'74, has written a new book, "How to Raise Cattle". Hasheider has been a longtime farmer and rural advocate. The book is available at the Village Booksmith in Baraboo.

Todd Weik, BS'76, is senior project manager at Crispell-Snyder, a civil engineering consulting firm with offices in Lake Geneva and Germantown. Weik is a landscape architect major.

JoDee Sattler, BS'83, has been retained by the National Dairy Herd Information Association and National Mastitis Council (NMC) to do event planning and communications work. Sattler has more than 20 years experience in the agricultural communications field.

Jeff Thomas, BS'88, was named the honoree for the swine industry at the annual Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association meeting held March 31. Thomas farms near Cobb.

Marie Peterson, BS'92, has joined Filament Marketing as senior marketing executive. She will be responsible for strategic marketing plan development and implementation for the firm's clients. Peterson earned her degree in animal science.

Shannon Hayes, BS'98, is a realtor with Restaino Bunbury in Madison. She previously worked with the UW Discovery Farms as a communications coordinator.

Aerica Opatik, BS'00, was recently hired as the UW-Extension agriculture educator in Kewaunee County. Opatik's focus will be on dairy and livestock production.

Kelli Gunderson, BS'01, was awarded the "Friend of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders Association" in April. Gunderson is the previous livestock editor for *Agri-View* newspaper.

Kristina Duwe, BS'05, has been named the director of sales and member services for the Dairy Business Association. Duwe is an agricultural journalism graduate and previously worked as an advertising account representative.

New Life Members

Todd R. Cavanaugh
FISC'91
Moriah Morris BS'03

New Life Installment Members

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Neel Mansukhani BS'07
Anthony W. Brey BS'07
Emily Wiegmann BS'07
Peter Solverson BS'07
Jason Pitzer BS'07
Kimberly Moucha BS'07
Elizabeth Bobeck BS'07
Keela Marie Retallick
BS'07
Eliza Ulness BS'07

New Annual Members

Sandy Trustem BS'94
Mike Larson FISC'82
Ed Larson FISC'70
Jim Trustem BS'92
Samuel Schwer FISC'79
Kirsten Aimee Sorum
BS'06





Volunteers Needed to Grill Cheese



Ambassadors Introduced

The 2007-08 CALS Ambassadors were introduced at the WALSAA Board Luncheon April 26 at Gordon Commons. They are pictured, left to right, front row: Maura Tracy, life sciences communication/political science, Madison; Lauren Walsh, dairy science, Beloit; Tanya Zimmerman, agriculture education, Portage; LaJoy Johnson, biochemistry, Washington DC; Caitlin Dallich, biochemistry/Spanish, Green Bay; Annette Zwald, dairy science/life sciences communication, Hammond; Ginger James, animal science/life sciences communication, Darlington; middle row: Molly Jahn, CALS dean; Rachael Herschleb, animal sciences/agricultural journalism, DeForest; Sarah Kutin, food science, Amarillo, Texas; Raluca Sima, biochemistry, Burnsville, Minn.; Katie Stibb, animal science/ag business management, Rio; Katie Behnke, agricultural business management, Clintonville; Becky Folgert, landscape architecture, Johnson Creek; Linda Behling, dairy science, Fox Lake; Stacie Fameree, life sciences communication, Algoma; Rebecca Duffy, director of prospective students; back row: Ann Huenink, dairy science/life sciences communication, Cedar Grove; Michelle Brenner, biochemistry/Spanish, Brookfield; Emily Nuss, dietetics, Chanhassen, Minn.; Jeff Grummer, food science, Madison; Scott Sternweiss, agronomy/life sciences communication, Marshfield; Evan Schnadt, dairy science, Sumner, Iowa; Andy Peterson, animal science/life sciences communication, Osceola; Pat Ludwig, agronomy, Northfield, Minn.; Eli Rolli, wildlife ecology, Mineral Point; and Steven Thomas, WALSAA president.

Not pictured are: Matt Repinski, dairy science/agronomy, Amherst; Chelsea Cervantes, ag and applied economics, Minneapolis, Minn.; Nicole Schmidt, studying abroad; Alicia Schultz, life sciences communication, Hammond; Julie Ann Wilson, genetics, Crystal Lake, Ill.; Timothy Clark, agricultural business management, Mayville.

Five CALS Ambassadors Graduate

The following CALS Ambassadors will graduate this May. They received Certificates of Appreciation for their service as CALS Ambassadors at the WALSAA Student Appreciation and Leadership Luncheon, April 26 in Gordon Commons.

They are:

- Kodey Feiner, dairy science, Sun Prairie
- Amanda Herzog, biochemistry, Raymond,
- Nicolas Kuehnel, biology, Newton
- Grant Schneider, genetics, Rhinelander
- Katie Stibb, animal science, Rio

Real Wisconsin Cheese Grill: Volunteers Needed

The Wisconsin State Fair Dairy Promotion Board is selling grilled cheese sandwiches for the first time at the 2007 Wisconsin State Fair, and your help is needed!

Located in the Wisconsin Products Pavilion, near the WALSAA booth, the Real Wisconsin Cheese Grill will feature grilled cheese sandwiches, available in Cheddar or Swiss; cheese curds, which are delivered fresh each morning; and individually-wrapped cheese sticks.

The proceeds from the Real Wisconsin Cheese Grill support the board's dairy promotion efforts, which include the House of Moo educational display and the opening day event. The board's scholarship fund also benefits from the Real Wisconsin Cheese Grill, allowing the board to award three, \$1,000 scholarships each year.

The volunteer shifts available are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 3 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 2 through Sunday, Aug. 12. One or two volunteers are needed per shift. Volunteers will receive Wisconsin State Fair admission, along with a Real Wisconsin Cheese Grill t-shirt and hat.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Katy Katzman at 262-473-5097 or katzman@idc-net.com.



See What's Happening in Research



2007 Field Days

Below is a list of 2007 events currently scheduled at the UW-Madison Agricultural Research Stations. For more information about any event, call the station involved.

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| June 24 | 6 a.m. | Dairy Breakfast | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| June 26 | 6:30–8 p.m. | Insects Found in the Garden: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |
| June 27 | 10:15 a.m. | Crop & Soil Field Day | Marshfield Ag Research Station | 715-387-2523 |
| June 29 | | A Grazing Field Day | Marshfield Ag Research Station | 715-387-2523 |
| July 10 | | 4-H Plant Science Day | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| July 17 | 6–8:30 p.m. | Plant Diseases: What's That Growing on My Plant | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |
| July 18 | 8:30 a.m. | Central Wisconsin Potato Field Day | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| July 25 | 4 p.m. | Lancaster Beef Cow-Calf Day | Lancaster Ag Research Station | 608-723-2580 |
| July 25-26 | | Turfgrass Field Day – Turf Producers International | OJ Noer Turfgrass Facility | 608-845-6536 |
| Aug. 1 | 8:30 a.m. | Agronomy Field Day | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| Aug. 8 | | Pickle Field Day | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| Aug. 9 | | MWFPA Sweetcorn & Snapbean Varieties Field Day | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| Aug. 10 | 10 a.m.–3 p.m. | Profitable Pastures for Southwest Wisconsin Field Day | Lancaster Ag Research Station | 608-723-2580 |
| Aug. 13 | 4 p.m. | Garden Twilight Tour | Hancock Ag Research Station | 715-249-5961 |
| Aug. 14 | 6–7:30 p.m. | Vegetables You'll Grow to Love: What's New and What Did Your Grandmother Love | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |
| Aug. 18 | 10 a.m.–3 p.m. | Urban Horticulture Field Day | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |
| Aug. 23 | | Twilight Garden Tour | Marshfield Ag Research Station | 715-387-2523 |
| Aug. 25 | 9 a.m.–3 p.m. | Spoooner Dairy Sheep Day | Spoooner Ag Research Station | 715-635-3735 |
| Aug. 28 | 5–8 p.m. | Garden Twilight Meeting | Spoooner Ag Research Station | 715-635-3735 |
| Sept. 11 | 6–7:30 p.m. | Fruits for The Backyard: New Grapes, Raspberries and Tree Fruits | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |
| Sept. 18 | 5:30–7:30 p.m. | Wildlife in Suburbia: A Walking Tour | West Madison Ag Research Station | 608-262-2257 |



A Prestigious Honor

Congratulations

CALS Professors Carroll, Kiessling Elected To National Academy of Sciences

CALS faculty members Sean Carroll and Laura Kiessling were elected to the National Academy of Sciences on May 1. Election to the NAS is considered one of the most prestigious honors that can be bestowed upon an American scientist.

Including Carroll and Kiessling, CALS now has 22 faculty members who are members of the NAS.

Carroll, professor of molecular biology and genetics, and Kiessling, professor of chemistry and biochemistry, are among 72 new fellows admitted to the 144-year old academy in recognition of their distinguished achievements and ongoing contributions to original research.

Carroll, an investigator in the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, has been a member of the UW-Madison faculty since 1987. He studies how genes and genetic regulation drive the development and evolution of diverse animal forms and has authored two popular science books on the topic. His work on fruit flies and other insects has revealed some of the key genetic players underlying major events in animal development, such as limb growth and coloration patterns.

Kiessling joined the UW-Madison faculty in 1991 and has distinguished herself as a pioneer in research at the interface of chemistry and biology. Through studies of how cells and molecules interact, her research has provided insights into the processes underlying a range of human diseases from inflammation and tuberculosis to cancer and Alzheimer's disease. She is also a MacArthur Foundation Fellow, having been awarded one of the foundation's "genius" grants in 1999.

The National Academy of Sciences was established in 1863 by a congressional act of incorporation signed by Abraham Lincoln. A private organization of scientists and engineers dedicated to the furtherance of science and its use for the general welfare, it is available upon request to advise the federal government in any matter of science or technology.

WALSAA Annual Golf Outing Set For Sept. 14

WALSAA Golf Chair, Scott Borgwardt has made arrangements for the WALSAA Golf Tournament to return to Six Mile Creek in Waunakee on Friday afternoon, Sept. 14. Tee times will begin about noon with the usual scramble style play. Watch for a reservation form in the August WALSAA Express.

Please consider being a hole sponsor for the outing for \$150. Your tax-deductible contribution is used entirely for the WALSAA student scholarship fund. Or consider putting together a foursome of golfers and being a hole sponsor for just \$500.

Call the WALSAA office at 608-262-5784 to reserve your hole sponsorship today or send your check payable to WALSAA to 116 Ag Hall, 1450 Linden Drive Madison, WI 53706.

Mark your calendars for Sept. 14!

WALSAA Football Ticket Order Form



Football Season on the Way!

WALSAA Home Game Football Tickets from blocks reserved for AG ALUMNI.

Note - A limit of 4 tickets for any one game except for Fire-Up game.
Please rank your choices, as not all orders can be filled.

| Date | Game | #Txs | Price | Total | Rank | For Office Use Only |
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| 9/1 | WASHINGTON STATE | | \$39 Each | | | |
| 9/15 | THE CITADEL FIRE-UP Package | | \$64 Each | | | |
| 10/20 | NORTHERN ILLINOIS | | \$39 Each | | | |
| 10/27 | INDIANA Homecoming | | \$46 Each | | | |
| 11/10 | MICHIGAN Parents Day | | \$46 Each | | | |
| Handling Charges | 1-6 Tickets 7-12 tickets | | \$ 10 \$ 15 | | | |
| | Total Remittance | | | \$ | | |

Football Tickets orders will be filled after July 15.

Orders received after July 15 will be on an as available basis.

FIRE-UP is on Sept. 15 at the Stock Pavilion and begins at 8:30 a.m. before the 11 a.m. kickoff.

FIRE-UP Luncheon Tickets - \$30 at door – No exceptions.

Mail Order Deadline is Sept. 7.

Registrations Received after Sept. 7 will pay "At Door" price of \$30.

List Names for Fire-Up Nametags: _____

Purchase tickets with Check, MasterCard or Visa.

Orders must include payment (check or credit card).

Ticket orders are filled as received until tickets are sold out.

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| Payment Options: <input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> Charge \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> To: _____ MasterCard _____ Visa Name on Credit Card _____ Billing Address _____ Card # _____ Expiration date _____ 3 digit # _____ |
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Upcoming WALSAA Events

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| Aug. 2-12 | Wisconsin State Fair ■ West Allis |
| Aug. 14 | WALSAA Board Meeting |
| Sept. 14 | WALSAA Golf Outing ■ Waunakee |
| Sept. 15 | WALSAA Fire-Up ■ Stock Pavilion |
| Sept. 19 | WALSAA Farm Technology Days Picnic |
| Oct. 11-15 | WALSAA Away Trip ■ Purdue University |
| Oct. 25 | CALS Honorary Recognition Banquet |
| Oct. 26 | WALSAA Board Meeting |