

MAKING up the STARS

Suzanne Diaz (Colo. '88) takes a pass on the office life for a creative gig doing celebrity makeup



Suzanne Diaz (Colo. '88) applies makeup on actress Holly Hunter for an episode of "Saving Grace."

BY PAMELA NISIVACO

Suzanne Diaz (Colo. '88) isn't exactly the nine to five type. After graduating with an economics degree, she found herself in search of something that offered more freedom and creativity.

Now a professional makeup artist, she's done work on stars for movies including "Batman and Robin," "Boogie Nights," "Blade," and the upcoming fourth "Pirates of the Caribbean," as well as shows including "Mad Men," "Saving Grace," "Bones," and "One Tree Hill." She's been nominated for an Emmy eight times for outstanding makeup, mostly for her work on TV episodes of "Star Trek."

How did you go from economics to top Hollywood makeup artist?

I decided to pursue makeup after seeing the movie "F/X", about a makeup artist who disguises people. I worked at a beauty salon in college, and I always did clients' makeup. So, I decided to go abroad and study it.

What exactly do you do now?

I design the characters' looks and apply the makeup accordingly. I

specialize in beauty and special effects makeup. A typical day starts early in the morning. Special effects makeup could take one to five hours to apply. Regular makeup takes 45 minutes to an hour. My typical day is 14-16 hours. A short day would be 12 hours.

What celebs have you worked on?

Harrison Ford, Holly Hunter, Jennifer Aniston, Scott Bakula, Philip Seymour Hoffman, John C. Reilly, William H. Macy, Heather Graham, Eddie Vedder, Matthew McConaughey, Tim Allen, Jennifer Grey.

Who was your favorite to work on?

I have many. Harrison Ford was a special deal since he had a private makeup artist for 20 years. I was nervous because, let's face it, he's Indiana Jones and Han Solo! But he was super cool and extremely nice.

Scott Bakula was amazing because he is one of the nicest human beings. Holly Hunter is one of the toughest women I have ever met. She kept me striving for perfection in everything I did with her. I respect and love that at the same time.

Describe your favorite part of your career

and the biggest challenge.

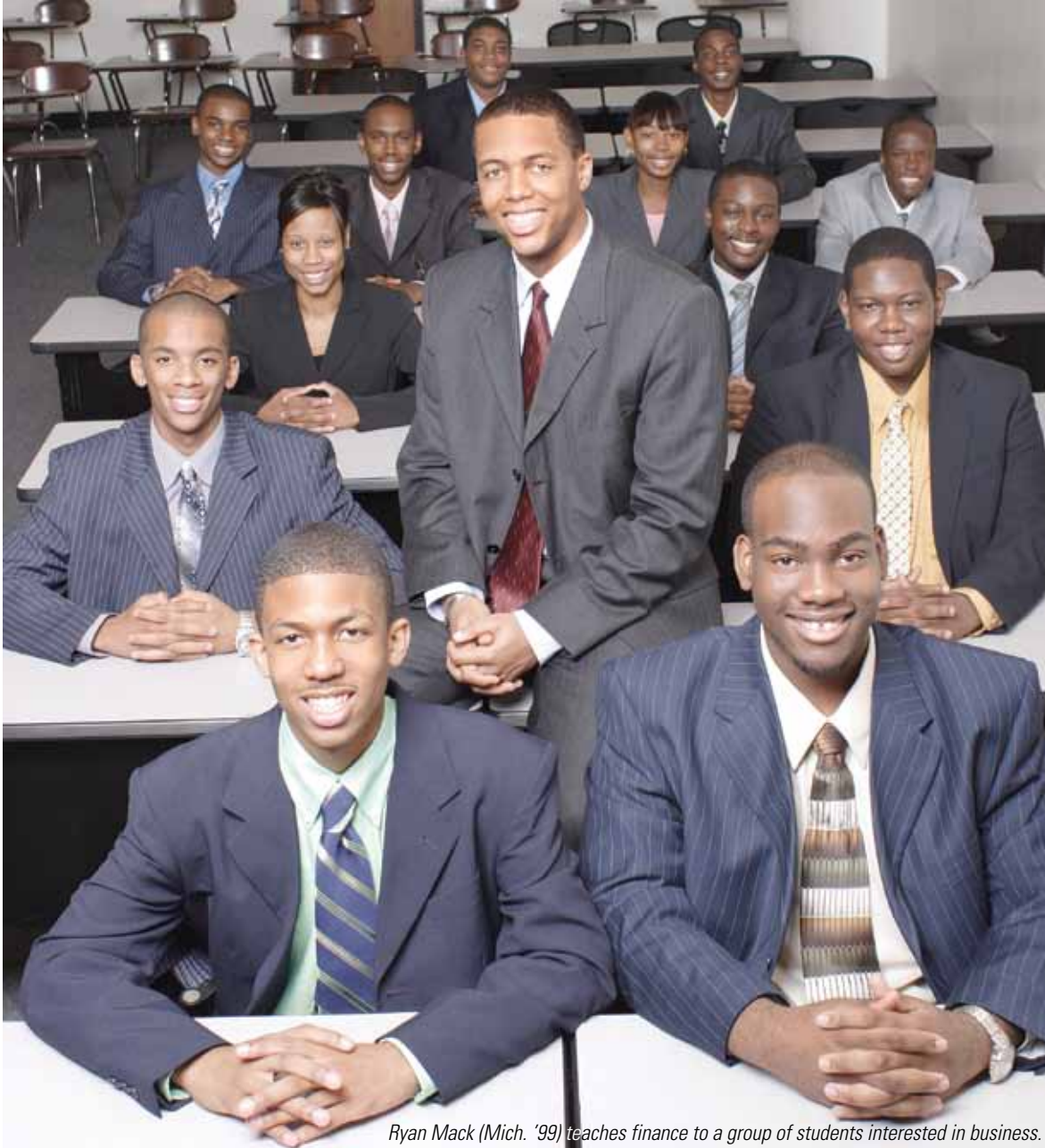
My favorite part is the traveling. There's nothing like getting paid to be out of the country! The most challenging was a job in Russia just weeks after the coup in 1991. The country was a mess, and we had to fight for food and water. The conditions were pitiful, and every day was a challenge. I was there at an amazing time in history.

What was it like to get your first Emmy nomination in 1998 for "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine?"

It was extremely exciting. The anticipation before they announce your category is frightening. (With eight nominations, the most recent being in 2008 for "Mad Men,") I feel like the Susan Lucci of makeup artists! I would love to win before I retire.

How has the Evans Scholarship influenced your life and career?

Receiving the Evans Scholarship was a life-changing moment. It gave me hope that anything is possible. It gave me confidence, strength and the drive to pursue what I wanted. The Program gave me a solid base, and I am so grateful for it.



Ryan Mack (Mich. '99) teaches finance to a group of students interested in business.

Back to the money **BASICS**

Ryan Mack (Mich. '99) left a job on Wall Street to teach financial literacy to everyone — including public housing residents, South African youth and ex-prisoners.



BY AMY BOEREMA

In the five years he spent as a Wall Street trader, Ryan Mack knew something was missing. “I was making a lot of money behind the computer,” he says. “But I wasn’t helping anyone.”

His aunt, meanwhile, had asked for his advice on money and investing. It hit him that his own family didn’t really know what he did for a living, and it was a concept he couldn’t shake. “I really wanted to see if I could help individuals like my family members learn about financial planning,” he says.

So that’s what he did. In 2004, he quit his trading job, putting all the money he had been saving for a house into creating a business that aimed to teach people from all walks of life the basics of finances. Today, he’s president of New York-based Optimum Capital Management, a sought-after speaker on money matters and a regular financial contributor on CNN.

Mack learned his own lessons in money early on. Growing up in the Detroit suburbs, his family was on subsidized living, and his mother talked often with him and his brother about careful spending. “As a single parent, you have to make money go as far as it can,” says his mom, Carol Mack Wells, who now is the vice president of Wayne County Community College District’s Corporate College. “Many of the decisions we made, the three of us made together. I know those discussions affected how they looked at money.”

Caddying at Detroit Golf Club taught him many of the lessons he still utilizes today, he says, such as “how to play the game, the game of golf and of networking and communicating with professionals.”

From the start, Mack wanted his company’s main focus to be education and community outreach. The early years were tough, he says, and he literally was “wearing holes in my shoes” from walking around all day presenting money workshops in schools and public housing. He’d walk through snow or rain, sometimes to only an audience of two or three

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people. And he wasn’t getting paid. Mack recalls eating plenty of canned tuna and ramen noodles. Once, he fell behind on electric payments, and the lights were shut off. But he knew he finally was doing something he believed in, passionately and wholeheartedly. “We teach,” he says. “We never promote services. All we do is teach.”

His first client signed on Aug. 28, 2005, paying him \$300. Mack spent two years doing community outreach, while also working as an adjunct college professor. While there, he constantly networked and slowly built up a database containing about 10,000 e-mails. Slowly, his workshops began to grow. Then he was written about in the local press, and one thing led to another.

In 2008, he was asked to appear on CNN, where he now is a financial contributor several times a month. Today, his firm still focuses on community outreach and teaching financial literacy to varying demographics, rather than reaching out to new clients. His firm has trained Fortune 500 company employees, church-goers, union members, former prisoners and South African youth.

His days are diverse: One morning, Mack may appear on CNN; that afternoon, he’ll be teaching money lessons in public housing. He is in the fifth year of his after-school youth mentoring program that teaches financial planning. He has created and taught numerous personal finance courses with various universities and schools in the New York area, and he has traveled to South Africa to create economic empowerment program initiatives. In January, his book “Living in the Village,” which discusses financial strategy and empowerment, comes out.

He was awarded the Tom Joyner “Hardest Working Financial Advisor” National Award in 2007, and was honored in 2009 with one of The Network Journals’ “Forty Under Forty” for business achievement awards.

Mack says his ultimate goal is having everyone learn about effective money management. “I’m not trying to make everyone millionaires,” he says. “Money obviously was not the driver. It was a bigger calling.”

A FRONT-ROW SEAT TO HISTORY

BY AMY BOEREMA

At 4 foot 11 and 70 pounds, 12-year-old Larry Yellen (Mich. '74) was no big force on the golf course. So it's probably a good thing he didn't know what was in store for him the first time he picked up a golf bag.

"It was a big old Wilson bag, and it weighed a ton," he recalls. "I went to caddying school but I wasn't ready for that size bag. On hole 14 or 15, (my golfer) said, 'Larry, I'm not sure you're going to make it. I'll take the bag the rest of the way.'"

But Yellen, a fighter, didn't let that first round deter him. Undaunted, he pushed through, caddying steadily for the next six years. "I wasn't going to let one abbreviated experience on the golf course keep me away," he says.

"Being a reporter gives you access to the places the average person might not have access to." -Larry Yellen

Decades later, Yellen is still pushing, and he's made his way to the big time as a legal analyst, award-winning investigative reporter and weekend news anchor for Fox News in Chicago. From the scene of 9/11 to the trial of former Illinois governor Rod Blagojevich, Yellen has had a front-row seat to nearly all the major local news stories of the past few decades. He recently

was named a winner of the Chicago Bar Association's 2010 Herman Kogan Media Awards, which spotlights the best of Chicago's legal reporting.

As an Evans Scholar at the University of Michigan, Yellen discovered that the First Amendment aspect of journalism especially intrigued him. "It was an outlet for my rebellious attitude," he says. After graduation, he earned a law degree from Northwestern before he got his first job as a writer at a local newspaper in Michigan.

His reporting gigs eventually led him to TV, and from there, he became an anchor — a rarity for someone who lacked professional behind-the-camera training. "I had never paid my dues working in smaller TV markets, but (my managers) were willing to take a chance and put me in front of the camera," he says.

Since then, he's covered all sorts of stories. An investigation about children being burned by hot chocolate served at fast-food drive-thrus resulted in Wendy's decision to stop serving the drink in 1994. Covering the 1995 O.J. Simpson trial from Los Angeles, he was the first local TV reporter to score an interview with witness Kato Kaelin.

Reporting on refugee camps during the war in Kosovo, he was able to provide a medium for refugees with Chicago relatives to call and let them know they were safe. "It was one of my favorite moments," he says.



Top: Larry Yellen (Mich. '74) with wife Sue and daughter Maggie. Bottom: On the job at Fox.



When Sept. 11 occurred, he immediately headed to D.C., where a jet hit the Pentagon, leaving behind a wife who had just undergone knee surgery. "I remember her on the front porch on crutches crying as I said good-bye," he says. "Nobody knew what was going to happen that day. But she understood why I had to go." Fox was the first local Chicago station to give live reports.

He's even made it onto television *as* the news. While chasing down a prosecutor in the indicted Congressman Dan Rostenkowski case, Yellen hit a concrete pillar at full speed, knocking him to the ground. The episode, caught on camera, landed him a guest spot on Oprah for reporters' bloopers. "It was a hilarious video," he says.

Despite never knowing what the day brings, Yellen says he's constantly surprised, and that's one of the best parts of his job. "I was surprised when (Chicago's) Mayor Daley said he wasn't going to run for re-election. I was surprised at the rapid rise of Barack Obama to the presidency," he says. "I'm constantly surprised at what's happening in the world."



The Boy Scouts at the first Evans Scholars Golf Merit Badge Day for the Calumet Council.

SCOUTING^{the} LINKS

Inspired by the efforts of Matt Skally (Minn. '96) in introducing Boy Scouts to the game of golf and caddying, Jeff Johnson (Ill. '87) organized a similar outreach event this summer in the Chicago area.

The inaugural Evans Scholars Golf Merit Badge Day for the Calumet Council, covering the south suburbs and Northwest Indiana, was held Aug. 17 at Silver Lake Country Club in Orland Park, Ill.

Like Skally, Johnson saw a natural tie-in between the Scouts and Evans Scholars, both programs fostering qualities such as determination, leadership and perseverance. Johnson, a golf merit badge counselor for the Calumet Council, also wanted to introduce the game of golf and educate the boys and their parents on the benefits of caddying and the Evans Scholars Program.

Twenty-eight Boy Scouts from five troops attended the event, which included playing nine holes, to complete their golf merit badge requirements. Northern Illinois Evans Scholar Alex Rogers, an Eagle Scout from Calumet Council Troop 380, also talked to the boys about his experience as an Eagle Scout, caddie and Scholar. "The event was such a success that we plan on doing this on an annual basis," Johnson said.

Sorting through all the CHATTER

Peter Denton (Wash. '03) has spent the past three years working on various Twitter-based apps, including Twibs, a small business directory that has been listed among the top 20 Twitter apps by TechCrunch. Now he's made movie reviewing a whole lot easier. His site, mombo.com, which he co-founded, lets visitors instantly see what the Twitter crowd thinks about a movie in real-time by creating a score based on people's opinions.

Launched in 2009, his site is the first movie recommendation engine that sits on top of Twitter. "Traditionally, people would go on a site, write a review and give a movie four stars," he says. "Now people can go about business as normal on their social networks and we collect this information and come up with a score without making people go and review things."

So far, it's been a success. "Feedback has been really good," he says. "Consumers feel like they're getting a wide opinion. It introduces them to a new type of rating." Denton's goal is to revolutionize the way people get reviews about all entertainment-related products. "If people are going to buy a CD, we want them to wonder what the mombo.com meter is," he says.



Top: Olsen playing on a sand course in Dubai. Strip, from left: In the sand dunes, on an elephant in Thailand, with ca

BY AMY BOEREMA

Call it the world's craziest job interview. When Steve Olsen (Wis. '08) applied to be part of TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company's "Wear in the World Adventure," he wasn't sure exactly what it entailed, other than travel and the chance to work in the golf industry. "It was posted on Yahoo! HotJobs," he says. "I thought, 'What an opportunity; I should apply and see what happens.'"

He never dreamed he'd be selected to compete, one of two applicants from thousands of candidates, in a 50-day journey spanning nine countries on three continents. It also never crossed his mind that he'd ultimately win the competition — and a social media position with TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company.

"It pushed me harder than I ever thought," he said. "But I don't have any regrets." The competition was part job interview and part product test to showcase how adidas Golf equipment could withstand the world's most grueling

conditions. To apply, Olsen had to first create a three-minute video. After several more interview rounds, he was awarded a final spot and the chance to compete. "I was totally shocked," he recalls. "I couldn't really breathe."

Olsen wasn't a big world traveler. In fact, that was his greatest regret from college. Except for Mexico, he'd never left the U.S., and since graduation, he had been working at an advertising agency in Madison. But he was ready to take on a new challenge. He gave his two-week notice, with his bosses telling him, "Get the heck outta here and go pack your bags."

The adventure itself, which began June 25, was a whirlwind, with Olsen and his competitor, Chris Dukeminier from Portland, shuttled around Germany, Norway, Scotland, Dubai, Thailand, South Korea, Japan and Canada, never knowing where they were headed to next.

Along the way, they competed in golf and other extreme adventure challenges, documenting everything through various

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Nine countries. Three continents. Fifty days. Steve Olsen (Wis. '08) competes in an extreme job interview with the ultimate prize a position at TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company.



golfer in Thailand, midnight golf in Norway, with caddies in Japan, putting in Scotland, and an interview with the Golf Channel in Thailand.

forms of social media and trying to develop loyal followings. Some challenges were marketing-related, like creating a 30-second product ad, or devising marketing campaigns (for every Facebook fan who 'liked' Olsen, he donated \$1 to Evans Scholars). Other challenges, like paragliding off Mt. Fuji in Japan and eating bugs in Thailand, tested skill and bravery. "That was the grossest challenge," he said of the bug contest. "But a deep-fried cockroach tasted like a French fry. I still can't believe it."

Other trip highlights: visiting the adidas global headquarters in Germany and playing in a Pro-Am with the company CEO, attending the Open Championship in Scotland and hanging out with adidas Golf stars like Sergio Garcia, and playing midnight golf in Norway, where it's light out 24 hours a day in the summer.

Many challenges centered around golf. For example, he was given a day to find a stranger in South Korea to be his golfing partner. He ended up convincing his taxi driver, who loved watching golf but had never before picked up a club, to play. "He was one

of the first guys I met who spoke English," Olsen said. "In South Korea, golf is extremely expensive and many people can't afford to play. It was cool to give him the opportunity of a lifetime."

He learned about caddies all over the world. In Thailand, he rode an elephant to the first tee, and the animal used his trunk to hand him a club. His best caddies, middle-aged women, were found in Asia, and they were spot-on with yardage and reading greens. "I was blown away by how good they were, given that they didn't speak English," he says.

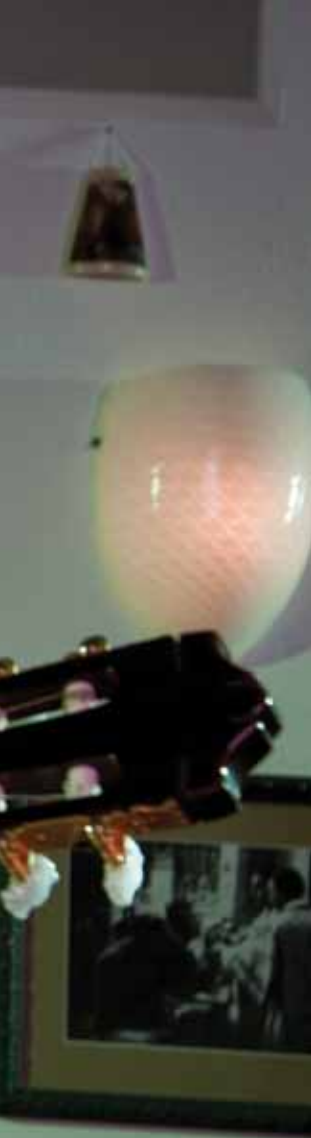
The trip ended at Bandon Dunes in Oregon, where Olsen, the winner by a point system, was offered a position as social media and e-marketing coordinator at TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company. He moved out to Carlsbad, Calif., in October, where "everything's been good so far." "It's definitely been surreal, just being around golf and seeing the products that are going to come out," he says. "It was truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

View the adventure videos at www.adidasgolf.com/witw



The soundtrack of his life

Recently named one of the state's top young attorneys, Chris Carani (Marq. '95) juggles his roles as lawyer, musician and new dad.



Chris Carani (Marq. '95) was named one of the "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40 to Watch." -Photo by Ben Speckmann

BY PAMELA NISIVACO

The shuffling of papers, as a court deadline looms. The desperate voice of a client overseas, struggling with a legal issue. The smooth rhythm of jazz, seeping from a late-night bar. The cries of a newborn, waiting to be comforted. This is the unique soundtrack of Chris Carani's (Marq. '95) life.

Carani, a partner and shareholder at Chicago-based McAndrews Held & Malloy, an intellectual property law firm, was recently named one of the 2010 "Forty Illinois Attorneys Under Forty to Watch" by the Law Bulletin Publishing Company. More than 900 lawyers were nominated, and winners were chosen based on their intelligence, passion, commitment and professional success.

But law isn't his only passion. Outside the office, Carani balances his other roles as a musician, husband and new father. "He probably sacrifices a lot of sleep because he does want to do it all," Carani's wife, Anita, said.

Being an Evans Scholar gave Carani the opportunity to pursue his law and musical passions. "The Alumni network has been very important in my professional career," he said.

After graduating from Marquette with an engineering degree, Carani was unsure of what was next. WGA's Jim Moore put him in touch with Jack Sauer (NU '56), who gave him a job as a file clerk at McAndrews. While there, Carani had a window into the world of intellectual property law. "IP law provides a unique marriage between law and technology," he said. "Law is static and slow-moving, and technology is dynamic and fast-moving."

While his practice centers on intellectual property law in general, he has developed a national reputation in the area of design law, which regards the protection and enforcement of product appearance. His office at McAndrews is filled with products he has dealt with, from cell phones to toycars to color contact lenses.

"When people try to change little things at the margin that give them a plausible argument to say that they're not copying intentionally, what they'll do is take the heart and soul of a design,"

Carani told *Chicago Lawyer Magazine*.

Sometimes, however, it's the opposite. Sometimes he's protecting his clients from accusations of copying. Flameless candles are an example of a client product that was held up in China for nearly three months, while he and his firm convinced the Chinese judiciary that they didn't infringe on a competitor's patent.

As Carani continues his legal career, his goal is to maintain his legal reputation when he is well over 40.

After a long week at the law office, you may find Carani playing his music on Saturday night at Trattoria Trullo, a restaurant in Lincoln Square near where he lives.

Carani's passion for music began at a young age, thanks to his parents. Between family friends, records and going to see live music at Chicago jazz clubs, he was surrounded by music and musicians growing up. He also took violin lessons. "There was a constant soundtrack to my childhood," Carani said. In college, he swapped his violin for an electric bass. At the Marquette Evans House, he and Vinny Michalesko (Marq. '95) formed the band The Predictors, which still plays professionally today.

"It's important to try to pursue all of those passions to be a full, complete person. In the end, it makes me a better person."

In describing Carani's mix as a lawyer and musician, former college roommate and current band mate Michalesko said, "He's a quirky intellect. He's definitely got his own way, and is definitely not a follower."

Carani's life soundtrack had a new mix added with the birth of his first child in February, daughter Sofia Valentina. Now, he sings lullabies. "They've got a really great bond, especially musically," Anita said.

Although his family is now his priority, Carani still finds time to write lyrics or a melody, usually on his way to work. But giving up any of his passions wasn't an option. "I think it's important to try to pursue all of them to be a full, complete person," he said. "In the end, it makes me a better person."



David Maxey (MSU '09) holds the keys to his brand new car, thanks to member Stan Andrei's hole-in-one.

-Photo by John Madill/Herald-Palladium

Caddie shock

BY NICOLE THOMPSON

It was a par three, the last hole of the day at Point O' Woods' annual Member-Guest Invitational. The prize for any player who made a hole-in-one? A brand new Jeep Wrangler Sport.

"So if I get a hole-in-one," one member joked to his caddie, "do you want a really big tip — or the car?"

He got the hole-in-one. And his caddie got the car.

David Maxey (MSU '09) awoke on July 23, still weary from caddying the previous day. He grabbed his red Point O'Woods caddie bib and headed out in the sweltering 90 degree heat for the final day of the club's annual Member-Guest Invitational.

He never would have guessed that he'd be driving home in a new Jeep Wrangler.

Stan Andrei, a longtime Point O'Woods member and owner of a shipping company, is known around the club for his generosity. He takes a group of about 25 caddies in his annual "Andrei Open" tournament, held a week and a half before the Member-Guest Invitational.

"He's known to be great to caddies, very generous and an overall great guy," Maxey says.

He would know. As Andrei's main caddie, the two had become close over the years. "There's a lot of times when it's just him and me on a Tuesday afternoon," Maxey says. "I help him with his swing, pick up on things he's doing wrong."

Andrei brought that generosity to the course that sticky Friday in July.

As the duo made their way to the ninth and final hole of the day, they were feeling relieved and exhausted. Andrei had just knocked out his competitor on the eighth hole, securing a win for his team. Now all they had to do to get out of the heat was hit their way through that last hole.

Waiting at the end of that hole was a brand new Jeep Wrangler Sport, valued at \$26,500, the prize for any player who made a hole-in-one. "So if I get a hole-in-one," Andrei said to his caddie as they approached the tee. "Do you want a really big tip — or the car?"

Thinking about his dying 1995 Ford Taurus in the parking lot, Maxey opted for the car. He suggested Andrei use a five-iron. Skeptical, his member replied, "All right. It's your car."

Andrei teed off. The ball bounced a couple times, but instead of rolling left as it usually did, it bounced right. Then it went out of view, blocked by the contours of the green.

"It just went in!" shouted a caddie from the other

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end of the green. "You've got to be kidding me," Maxey said, awestruck. The crowd cheered as the group made their way to the green. The ball really had gone in.

Don Brookfield, owner of the car dealership giving away the Jeep, handed the keys to Andrei, who tossed them to his caddie. "These don't belong to me," he said.

"The look on his face was priceless," Andrei told the *Herald-Palladium*. The crowd stood there, dumbfounded at first. Then the excitement grew. Brookfield even called the local newspaper.

Maxey had been ready to hang up his caddie bib this past summer. A recent graduate, he was — and still is — on the hunt for a marketing job. He'd caddied for nine years, hundreds of rounds of golf, and had never before seen a hole-in-one.

Keys in hand, Maxey was given permission to take the Jeep home that night. As he drove it off the ninth hole, he couldn't stop thinking, "This is not for real; no way is this happening."

When he pulled the shiny black car into his driveway, his mom didn't believe him. "She thought I'd wrecked my Taurus and one of the club members loaned me their car to drive home," Maxey said, laughing.

Since that day, his excitement hasn't stopped. Several papers and radio stations picked up the story, and the tale already has become a legend among Point O'Woods members.

For his part, Andrei hasn't regretted his decision. "He's a great kid," he says. "I was a little worried about the reaction of my daughters. But they were very positive."

"People I don't even know ask me about it. It's definitely pretty cool," Maxey says. "This is something I'm going to remember for the rest of my life."

Though he's still on the job hunt, Maxey's a pretty happy guy these days. "Caddying is not even work to me, it's just a lot of fun," he says. "It got my education paid for and now a new car — life can't get much better than that."

-Amy Boerema contributed to this report.



The Northwestern Evans Scholars win the James E. Moore Scholarship Trophy.

CELEBRATING

Evans Scholars success

summer OUTING

The annual Evans Scholars Summer Outing awards banquet was held July 19 at Olympia Fields Country Club in Olympia Fields, Ill., with about 400 Evans Scholars, Alumni, WGA Directors and other program supporters in attendance.

The weekend was a success, with the second annual Evans Scholars expo taking place the night before the banquet. The Scholars inter-chapter golf tournament was held on Monday, with Colorado winning the team title and Devon Hopkins from Northern Illinois taking the individual title with a score of 76.

“You are the future of the Evans Scholars program. And with your support and your leadership, in 60 years, another group of Evans Scholars will be sitting here. And they will say thank you, all of you, for keeping Chick’s dream alive.”

-WGA’s John Kaczowski

With a 3.43 GPA, the Northwestern Evans Scholars won the 2010 James E. Moore Scholarship Trophy for achieving the highest GPA of all the 14 Scholarship Chapters. In February, the Northwestern freshmen also won the New Scholar Academic Competition with an outstanding 3.56 GPA.

The top two honors in the Evans Scholars Program went to Joshua Gonzales from the University of Missouri and Dale Kretz from Miami University for Leader of the Year and Scholar of the Year, respectively (*see next page*).

Banquet speakers included National Committee President Mike Ernst, WGA Chairman Roger Mohr and WGA President/CEO John Kaczowski, who discussed the financial challenges facing the organization.

EVANS SCHOLARS TOP HONORS IN 2010

SCHOLAR OF THE YEAR



Dale Kretz, Miami

"The lessons I have learned, the friendships I have made, the person I have become — it is the greatest understatement conceivable to say that the Evans Scholarship has changed my life." - Dale Kretz

Dale Kretz, from Waterville, Ohio, graduated from Miami University in May with a 3.96 GPA and degrees in history and political science. He caddied at Sylvania Country Club.

Kretz served as chapter president, earned the Adelor J. Petit New Scholar of the Year Award and twice received the House's highest Scholar rating by Chapter vote. In 2009, he was selected Scholar of the Year by the Toledo Golf Hall of Fame. He is now pursuing his Ph.D. in political science at Washington University in St. Louis.

Joshua Gonzales, from Ballwin, Mo., graduated from the University of Missouri in May with a 3.91 GPA and a chemical engineering degree. He caddied at Greenbriar Hills Country Club. At the Scholar House, Gonzales served as chapter president and won the 2010 Harold F. Ames Leadership Award.

He earned the first engineering internship with BMW at their North American headquarters in 2007 and was a featured speaker at the 2008 BMW Championship Media Day. He is a mechanical engineer with Heat Transfer Systems in St. Louis.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to be a caddie and participate in this organization. I hope I will be able to give back a fraction of what it has given me." -Josh Gonzales

LEADER OF THE YEAR



Josh Gonzales, Missouri

Women's Western Scholars



Courtney Kansler, a freshman at Northwestern, is the 2010 Women's Western Golf Association Evans Scholar. She was honored at a lunch during the Western Amateur, with past Women's Scholar winners in attendance. The group, above, is pictured with WGA officials and Barbara Gallas from the Women's Western Golf Association.



Minnesota Corrigan Award

Jon Paul Wynne, a senior majoring in economics, is the recipient of the 2010 Minnesota Golf Association's Evans Scholar of the Year Award.

Established in 1993 to recognize a Minnesota Scholar who excels in academics, leadership and community service, the award was renamed in honor of Fritz Corrigan, late MGA Director and "founding father" of the Minnesota Evans Chapter, in 1996.

Wynne is part of the College of Liberal Arts' Student Board and the Committee for Curriculum, Instruction and Advising. He is the current chapter president of the Minnesota Scholars and has placed in the top 25 percent of chapter peer evaluations four semesters.

A SUMMER with BMW

BMW continued its Evans Scholars Internship Experience in 2010, offering two Evans Scholars the opportunity to gain valuable hands-on working experience with BMW of North America.



Lisa Ephraim (III. '10) worked in the Central Region of BMW North America in Schaumburg, Ill., assisting the BMW and MINI regional marketing teams. She helped plan and execute BMW Championship events, Central Region sponsorships and events and program wrap-up.



Anthony Gumieny (Wis. '12), based at the Ritz-Carlton in Key Biscayne, Fla., was responsible for overseeing test drive reservations, test drive allotment, maintenance of test drive vehicles, on-site materials and branding, results reporting and other on-site events.

WGA WELCOMES new chapter advisors

Clockwise from left: Miami chapter advisor Bill Shawver with Chapter president Andrew Kawalek; NIU co-advisors Dr. Aquanette and Bert Simpson, and Wisconsin advisor Troy Suski (Wis. '91).



The Evans Scholars Foundation has welcomed three new chapter advisors in recent months, including Troy Suski (Wis. '91) at the University of Wisconsin, Bill Shawver at Miami University and Dr. Aquanette Simpson at Northern Illinois University.

Suski replaces Al Crist, who is retiring. Suski, an Evans Alum, is the university's student services program manager. "I feel honored to serve the Evans Scholarship Program in this capacity," he said. "It's incredibly fulfilling to be able to play a role in this tremendous program's success."

Shawver replaces Chuck Knepfle (Mia. '91), who has transferred to another university. He is director, department of purchasing and central services, at Miami. Simpson joins her husband Bert as a co-advisor at the Northern Illinois Evans Chapter, as Bert took on a more consultative role at the university. Simpson is an instructor and the director of employee services and human resource development.



From left: Chuck Knepfle of Miami, Al Crist of Wisconsin and Don Denny of Ohio State University.

Outgoing advisors honored for service

Outgoing Evans Scholars chapter advisors Chuck Knepfle, Al Crist and Don Denny were the first recipients of the WGA's Thomas A. Dutch Award for outstanding service for a minimum of 10 years as a chapter advisor. They were presented with plaques at the 2010 Summer Outing. The award is in honor of longtime Michigan State Scholar chapter advisor Tom Dutch, who served for 47 years before retiring in 2002.

*"We are truly grateful for their tremendous leadership and guidance of our Evans Scholars."
- WGA's Jeff Harrison*

THANK YOU to our TROOPS

OSU Scholars send well wishes to Robert Nevers (OSU '11), who is currently serving in the Marines in Afghanistan.



Toledo Hall of Fame winners

Twins Andrea Wade (Mia. '11) and Angela Wade (Mia. '11) were co-named the 2010 John Kretschmar Scholars of the Year by the Toledo Golf Hall of Fame. This award, which honors Kretschmar's commitment to the Evans Scholars, is given annually to a Scholar who caddied in Northwest Ohio and has excelled in the classroom, community and the Scholarship House.

The committee unanimously voted to choose both girls. Andrea is a math major and Angela is an integrated math education major. Both have a 3.99 GPA. The girls were honored at the Toledo Golf Hall of Fame banquet on Oct. 13.

"I am so thankful to be an Evans Scholar. I would not be the person I am today without the scholarship."

-Angela Wade

Evans Scholars give back



WGA's Jeff Harrison, center, with Purdue House treasurer Michael Conway and Chapter President Darrin Overby during the fall chapter visit. The check represents Scholar-level giving donations to the Annual Fund.

National Committee officers at the BMW



The National Committee officers announced the players on the 18th green at the 2010 BMW Championship. From left: Missouri's Zach Kratofil, OSU's Mike Ernst, MSU's Nick Janicke and Illinois' George Witchek.

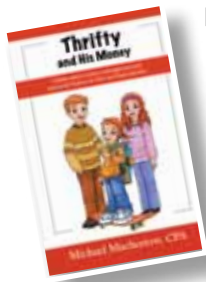
Alum produces critically acclaimed film

Todd Looby (Ill. '97) produced a critically acclaimed independent film, *LEFTY*, which was named alongside "The Hurt Locker" and "Up" as one of the "Top 10 Movies of 2009 through August" by the Chicago Tribune's Metromix.

The film portrays artist Danny Malone's return to the south side of Chicago after 13 years. He is uninsured and facing cancer. His best friend, Tommy "Fudd" Phelan, is returning from his service in Iraq. Both are searching for community, but find the neighborhood hasn't changed much since they left.

Looby also owns his own production company, Obrigado Productions, which "seeks to tell stories that challenge and inspire us to find grace in the difficult terrain of human experience," according to its website.

Teaching money management



Michael Muchortow (Mich. '78) published a book called "Thrifty and his Money," a fable about money management and personal finance for kids ages 8 to 12 and their parents. Muchortow, who owns a financial planning and money management practice, was encouraged by his kids' teachers, clients and other parents to write a resource to help children understand basic money concepts. The book shows how to teach children to start managing their financial resources.

Golf Service Award

Tom Paluck (MSU '62), along with his wife, Dot, were honored with the New Jersey Golf Distinguished Service Award on Oct. 21. The award honors those who have contributed outstanding volunteer service to the sport of golf in New Jersey.



Paluck's experience as a caddie and Evans Scholar prompted him to create a joint scholarship between the NJSGA and the WGA. The Chick Evans East Coast Scholars Classic helps fund this scholarship. "All golfers have benefited from their efforts. Through the caddie Scholars, their contributions are going to be felt for years to come," NJSGA President John Murray said.

Rising young attorney

Chris Carani (Marq. '95) was recently named one of the 2010 "Forty Illinois Attorneys Under Forty to Watch" by the Law Bulletin Publishing Company. Nationally recognized as a leader in design law, Carani was praised by his clients and peers for his expertise, intellect, leadership qualities, people skills and ability to explain complex legal concepts. He is a partner and shareholder at Chicago's McAndrews Held & Malloy. He also has served as a consultant and expert witness in numerous design law cases and is a sought-after speaker and prolific author on patent law issues.



'Golf Saved My Life'

Keith Anderson (MSU '91) was featured July 27 on Golf Channel's "Golf in America" series. The segment focused on Anderson's life as a young boy growing up on the east side of Detroit and how caddying at The Country Club of Detroit helped him overcome a childhood of adversity, earn an Evans Scholarship and eventually forge a successful career in business.

Anderson also was featured in Golf Digest's "Golf Saved My Life" series in April. His story was titled: "Golf Was My Way Out."



Photo by Dom Furore/Golf Digest

AROUND THE LOOP

Stay connected — let your fellow Alumni know what you're up to! Send in your letters, updates and photos online at www.wgaesf.com or send a note, including your full name, school and year graduated to: Alumni Update, 1 Briar Road, Golf, IL, 60029, or alumni@wgaesf.com.

Colorado



George Solich (Colo. '83) had a hole-in-one on Oct. 17 at Castle Pines Golf Club. He aced hole 7, 140 yards, with a pitching wedge.

David Banko, '74, is principal, petroleum engineer, at Banko Petroleum Management in Englewood, Colo.

George Ulrich, '78, is a physician at Colorado Springs Health Partners in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Tim Altpeter, '86, is a mortgage loan consultant at First Advantage Mortgage in Naperville, Ill.

Suzanne Diaz, '88, is an Emmy-nominated Hollywood makeup artist. She lives in Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Carol (Goudy) Bollman, '88, is a wellness coach in Denver.

From left, at the Colorado Par Club Tournament: **Ryan Pellet (Colo. '95)**, **Rick Polmear (Mich. '74)**, **George Solich (Colo. '83)**, and **Ed Mate (Colo. '88)**.



Julie (Gish) Bryant, '92, is manager of member services at The First Tee of Green Valley Ranch in Denver.

Katie County, '09, is an operations assistant at Kodiak Oil & Gas in Denver. She lives in Denver.

Illinois



Shannon (Ellsworth) (Ill. '02) and **Bryan McNulty (Ill. '01)**, their son, **Braydon, 1**, and McNulty's brother, **Sean (Marq. '11)** at the Evans Scholars Sox game.

Ken Heinzl, '65, retired as adjunct professor of marketing and management at Sonoma State University near San Francisco.

Ralph Napolitano, '80, is a family practice physician at Luke Medical Center in Los Angeles.

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Hello from San Antonio



Mark Marek's (Ill. '81) children, **John, Ariana** and **Neil** on a trip to South Padre Island, Tex.

Mark Marek (Ill. '81) wrote in August:

MY FIRM, Alamo Asset Advisors, LLC, has now moved to our permanent offices on the fourth floor at the Frost Bank building at Thousand Oaks and 281 in San Antonio. Our investment and advisory firm is growing, and our clients are prospering in the midst of the worst financial crisis "since the Great Depression."

WE HAVE BEEN blessed to be affiliated with business partners that provide growth and income, while preserving value, even in the current economic environment. Now beginning my sixth year as a financial advisor, I think I am finally in the right place at the right time. Praise the Lord!

MY FAMILY CONSISTS of my wife of 24 years (our silver anniversary is in 2011), and my children. Nicholas, 21, has successfully completed two years of undergraduate schooling at the University of Texas, San Antonio, with a major in electrical engineering. John, 17, is a senior at Taft High School and is a starting defensive end on the Taft Raiders. Ariana, 16, is a senior at Taft and is ranked 30th in the state for high schoolers in the 100-meter backstroke. Neil is a freshman at O'Connor High School and is enrolled in the agriculture program.

I HAVE BEGUN the process of starting a caddie program in conjunction with the First Tee of San Antonio and Valero Corporation. Pray for this endeavor. I pray that the blessings continue to flow for all the Scholars, everywhere.

The Wozniak Illini clan



From left: **Bob Wozniak (Ill. '58)**, and his Illini grads: daughter Gail Pucci, granddaughter Sarah Pucci, daughter-in-law Julia and son Mark.

Robert Wozniak (Ill. '58) wrote in September:

ILLINI MAIDEN Sarah is our third generation Illini. She majored in statistics with minors in math and communications. Sarah was selected by Teach for America to teach math in a charter high school in Gary, Ind.

CHIEF BOB has a second granddaughter, Elizabeth Pucci, in college, majoring in health and fitness science at Colorado State University.

Illinois *cont.*



Scott Sorrentino (Ill. '09) is a pilot based in Jacksonville, Fla.

Michael Czul, '82, and his wife Julie own Old Chicago Pizza in Wilmington, N.C. They live in Wilmington.

Ed McMahon, '84, is an asset management specialist, risk sharing asset management group, at Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. in Schaumburg, Ill.

Rebecca (Krause) Slomski, '96, is an SAP project manager at CommScope in Joliet, Ill.

Tim Engler, '00, married

Angela Younglove on Sept. 12, 2009.

Nate Hamstra, '01, married Kelly Neville on Oct. 16.

Jeanine Peccatiello, '01, married Frank Ochs on Sept. 25. She is a senior manager at Accenture.

Joani (DiSilvestro) Schaffer, '02, and **Kevin Schaffer, '05**, welcomed their first child, Arthur Daniel, on Oct. 13.

Brintel Johnson, '02, is a project engineer/SPD project manager at Turner Construction



Joani (Ill. '02) and Kevin Schaffer (Ill. '05) welcomed son Arthur Daniel on Oct. 13.



Tim Engler (Ill. '00) married Angela Younglove on Sept. 12, 2009. Illinois Alumni Devlin Driscoll, '99, Mark Dygdon, '99, Chris Luther, '99, and Brian Engler, '00, helped to celebrate.

Company in Chicago. He and his wife Toniqa live in Chicago.

Katie Sargent, '02, is a field producer/associate producer at FlashRock Films in Chicago.

Scott Walker, '02, is controller

at Cancer Treatment Centers of America. He lives in Philadelphia.

Chris Neylon, '03, married Brianna Smith on June 19.

Scott Grens, '05, married

A return visit to Illinois



Ken Heinzel (Ill. '65) wrote Nov. 1:

I JUST RETIRED after teaching for nine years at Sonoma State University, north of San Francisco. Prior, I owned and operated my own executive recruiting firm in Mill Valley, Calif.

MY WIFE, INESE, and I live in the California wine country about 50 miles north of the Golden Gate Bridge. We are fortunate to have four of our seven grandchildren nearby.

WE ARE ACTIVE volunteers, she with hospice, and me with Valley of the Moon Children's Home. Working with disadvantaged children has been rewarding in a spiritual sense and has helped to keep me young — at least young at heart. This fall, I attended the Illinois-Northern Illinois football game in Champaign. I am an Alum of both schools.

WHILE THERE, I visited the new Scholar House. What an amazing place it is! It looks more like the Ritz-Carlton than a fraternity house. Beautiful! We Alums and Western Golf have created a legacy to be very proud of. Thank you, Tom Kearney, for all of your great work in the program.

I MET SOME of the new Scholars. They all thought that this was the second Evans Scholar House at Illinois. I pointed out it was actually the third, although there is no proof remaining, since 206 E. Green St. is now a Papa John's restaurant. I explained to one of the young woman Scholars that it was almost half a century ago that I first set foot on campus. Her jaw dropped — honestly. That's good, isn't it?

'Conversation always turns to college and the scholarship'

Ted Fishbein (Ind. '04) wrote in June:

I HAD THE fortune of spending time recently with my friend, Scott Ahmad. I now work at NorthShore University HealthSystem, managing our interactive marketing department and overseeing our company websites. My boss runs a golf scramble raising money for ALS research, and Scott partnered with me. We were the low-scoring IU Evans Scholars Alumni.

WHEN SCOTT and I get together, conversation always turns to college and the Evans Scholarship. I've also begun applying to MBA programs and spent a considerable amount of time thinking about how the scholarship affected my life.

I'M PRESENTLY working on my application to Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management. This morning while working on an essay, I reflected on the Evans Scholarship interview process. I remember my first interview with Jeff Harrison. He asked me about my grade in U.S. History, the only class in which I received a C. I told him I just did not enjoy the class. Maybe it didn't leave a positive impression. But after receiving the scholarship, that sequence of events convinced me to always be direct, even if the truth would not necessarily be popular.

I ALSO RECALL my final interview in front of the WGA Directors at Midlothian Country Club. I'll never forget the Northwestern

In many ways, the scholarship interviews seem so recent. In other ways, it seems like an eternity when I look at all the experiences I have accumulated since then.

faculty advisor asking me to consider Northwestern over Indiana. That was the first moment I thought I would receive the scholarship. Now that I am pursuing Northwestern for graduate school, I'm hopeful they'll reciprocate the interest.

IN MANY WAYS those scholarship interviews seem so recent.

In other ways, it seems like an eternity when I look at all the experiences I have accumulated since then. Next Monday will mark my six-year anniversary in the working world. At NorthShore University HealthSystem, I have had the good fortune of working for an organization in which I believe in and doing work that I enjoy. I have also had great success, moving up through the organization. I think I'm now at a crossroad. Pursuing an MBA feels like the right move.

ON AUGUST 31, 2008, I married a young lady named Tiffany. Tiffany and I met at Cardinal Health, my first job out of school. Of all things that could have brought us together, golf played a major role. The Cardinal Health IT department held a summer golf league, nine holes each Thursday evening at Countryside in Mundelein. Tiffany's team was looking for a fourth member and asked me to join. Tiffany is an intelligent, selfless, beautiful, caring person.

I KNOW the Evans Program will continue to thrive. I want to be more involved than I have been able to in the past. I'll be back out at this year's BMW Championship (which will always be the Western Open to me).

Second Illini Alum Outing



From left: **Tom Kubala (Ill. '03)**, **Conor Kennedy (Ill. '06)**, **Scott Lamm (Ill. '03)**, **Kevin Danaher (Ill. '02)** and **Chris Neylon (Ill. '03)** organized the second annual Illinois Alumni Outing at Ravisloe Country Club on Oct. 9 in Homewood, Ill. The event raised \$6,000, bringing its two-year total to \$10,000. Funds will help with Illinois Scholarship House repairs.

Tricia Hyland on June 19.

Mary Kate McVey, '08, is database and membership coordinator at Adler Planetarium in Chicago.

Joe Drozd, '09, is an analyst, hedge fund manager research, at Mercer Investment Consulting in Chicago.

Scott Sorrentino, '09, is a pilot with Mar-Tech Engineering based in Jacksonville, Fla.

Ryan O'Neill, '10, is a credit analyst at Small Business Growth Corp. in Chicago.

Indiana

Greg Watts, '88, is controller at Nexum in Chicago. He lives in Hammond, Ind.

Mike Karras, '94, married Sabrina Pierrard on July 29 in Santorini, Greece. They live in Chicago.

Jerry Mastalarz, '94, is a transaction manager at CB Richard Ellis in Chicago. He lives in Downers Grove, Ill.

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Indiana
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Mike Karras (Ind. '94) married **Sabrina Pierrard** on July 29th in Santorini, Greece.

Angie (Curneal) Palsak, '96, is associate dean of students at Southwestern Michigan College. She and her husband Tibor live in South Bend, Ind.

Ted Fishbein, '04, is interactive marketing team

In response to the Scholar documentary

Teresa Konkel, mother of **Sarah Konkel (Marq. '06)**, wrote in September:

THE (EVANS SCHOLARS) video really touched me and my daughter, as she is also an Evans Scholar and we had hardships that would have made it nearly impossible for her to attend a four-year college rather than a community college.

MY DAUGHTER, Sarah, has graduated with a biology degree and now lives in Boston doing clinical research for M.S. She strives to improve herself constantly and sets her goals high, a standard that both caddying and being an Evans Scholar helped her achieve. Her future desires include continuing her education and later hoping to get involved to set up an Evans Scholarship Program in the East Coast area. She and I both believe deeply in what the Evans Scholarship means to so many and she wishes to give back to the cause which helped us so much in our time of need.

lead at NorthShore University HealthSystem in the Chicago area.

Jason Harless, '07, is a physical therapist and athletic trainer at Indiana Physical Therapy in Fort Wayne, Ind. He received a doctor of physical therapy degree from the University of Indianapolis in May.

Marquette

Jim Krol, '72, served on the Wauwatosa Common Council for 20 years before retiring his seat in April.

Mark Furjanic, '81, is assistant treasurer of Claymore/Guggenheim Strategic Opportunities Fund.

Tom Williams, '92, is managing partner at Paragon Real Estate in Oak Brook, Ill.

Chris Carani, '95, and his wife Anita welcomed their first child, daughter Sofia Valentina, in February.



The first two Marquette Scholars, **Roger Mohr (Marq. '53)** and **Jim Bieser (Marq. '55)**, at the June 24 Western Junior Alumni Reception.

Jenny (Chmela) Babbington, '98, and her husband Kevin welcomed their first child, daughter Olivia Rose, on July 29. She weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. and was 20 1/4 inches long. The family lives in Darien.

Shannon (O'Malley) LoPiccolo, '01, is a physical therapist at Easter Seals Disability Services in Peoria, Ill.

Mike Brady, '02, is controller at Geneva Investment Management in Chicago.

Gaelen Bell, '02, married Tim Orbon on Nov. 12.

Rebecca Climack '03, is a second grade teacher in the Milwaukee Public Schools. She is pursuing a master's degree

Rewarding meeting

Jim Krol (Marq. '72) wrote in June:

NOW AS FORMER alderman, I am proud that WGA chose Blue Mound Golf and Country Club to host the Western Junior Tournament in our city. It's a beautiful course with a lot of history. I will volunteer some time to help out during this tournament.

I PARTICIPATED IN the Evans Scholars selection meeting for the Wisconsin area held at Blue Mound Golf and Country Club recently. It was personally rewarding to see the daughter of our recently deceased Marquette Scholar, Brian Johnson, receive an Evans Scholarship to the University of Wisconsin. I am still working for Honeywell after 38 years with no immediate plans to retire there just yet!



Jenny (Chmela) Babbington (Marq. '98) and husband **Kevin** welcomed **Olivia Rose** on July 29.

Jaime Lynn and **George Steinfels (Marq. '05)** welcomed son Caleb James on Sept 2.



in special education at Cardinal Stritch University.

Courtney (Dean) Craig, '03, and her husband Jeff welcomed daughter Ella Jacqueline on May 9. She joins brother Charley.



Anita and **Chris Carani (Marq. '95)** welcomed daughter Sofia Valentina in February.

Paul Rojek, '03, married Brittany Wagner on Oct. 17, 2009. They live in Joliet, Ill. Paul is a deputy sheriff with the Will County Sheriff's Department.

Jennon Bell, '04, married Chris Hoffmann on Aug. 21.

Sheila Keane, '04, is engaged to **Michael Mulligan, '05**. The couple will marry Aug. 6, 2011, in Chicago. Sheila is a senior account supervisor at Edelman in Chicago. Michael is assistant property manager at Colliers International in Chicago.

George Steinfels, '05, and his wife Jaime Lynn welcomed son Caleb James on Sept 2. George is a captain in the Marine

First pitch memorial

Don Goeppner (Marq. '73) wrote in September:

I WILL BE tossing out the first pitch at Thursday night's Chicago White Sox vs. Minnesota Twins game as a guest of the Sox and Safeco Auto Insurance Co.

I CERTAINLY WILL be dedicating the ceremonial first pitch to my late mom, Carole, who passed away in 2005, the year of the miracle on 35th Street (White Sox World Series Championship), as well as more recently with the sudden passing of my younger brother, Tom (Marq. '83), who left us back in January of this year.

IT WILL BE ring out an ahoya for ole' Marquette! I'm sure up in heavenly field our good old buddy Harry Caray (former White Sox announcer in the '70s, who used to plug on Sox TV broadcasts that the Marquette Evans Scholars are here with a group) will be smiling. Holy cow!

BEST WISHES ALWAYS to the Evans Scholars community, and yes, that is my niece, Amanda Goeppner, who is a freshman at the Marquette Scholarship House in Milwaukee.

Corps, assigned as the Battalion Logistics Officer for the 1st Battalion, 6th Marine Regiment. He completed his third combat deployment returning from Marjah, Afghanistan, in July.

Michael O'Sullivan, '10, is in the Jesuit Volunteer Corps, St. Francis Mission, and also is a radio disc jockey and announcer.



Paul Rojek (Marq. '03) married Brittany Wagner on Oct. 17, 2009. The couple is pictured with Marquette Alumni.



Courtney (Dean) Craig (Marq. '03) and her husband Jeff welcomed Ella Jacqueline May 9.

Lilia Figueroa, '10, is an ongoing case manager at Integrated Family Services in Milwaukee. She lives in Milwaukee.

Wisconsin weather

John Molenaar (Marq. '66) wrote in November:

WEATHER IN WISCONSIN has never been better. Today was about 64, some wind, sun with clouds. The last time I broke my golf score of 80 was more than 30 years ago playing golf with Al Borgealt (Marq. '65) at Naga-Waukees Golf Course in Waukesha.

BROWN DEER Golf Course tees used were white (not the long tees), fairways and greens had been aerated but were now in good shape and putts were true. It has to be the most one-putt greens I've ever had. The two gentlemen Brian Thiel and I played with asked me on the 17th tee about my score. I said I did not want to know. The score was totaled on the 18th green before I putted for a par. I shot a 79. After I made the putt, I asked each player to sign the score card. Proud to live in Wisconsin where the weather is great in November.

Miami

David Niederbaumer, '89, is a tech service engineer at Glatfelter in the Columbus area.

Chuck Knepfle, '91, is director of financial aid at Clemson University. He was previously director of student financial assistance at Miami and served as a faculty advisor for the Evans Scholars.

Doug Feichtner, '99, wrote to members of Maketewah in honor of the club's 100 birthday:

"Today, I am an attorney at Dinsmore & Shohl and have worked there since 2002. I am a litigator, specializing in toxic tort and products liability defense.

I am married to a fantastic woman, Megan, and have two beautiful girls, Jane and Olivia. I dated Megan while both of us were at Miami. Believe me, I am reminded of what the Evans Scholarship gave to me every time I step through the door of my home."

David Nurre, '99, is vice president of USI Insurance Services.



Brittany Barrett (Mia. '10) married Chris Falkowski on Sept. 5. The couple is pictured with Rachel Barrett (Mia. '03).

A hike for Habitat



ROBERT RAAB (MIA. '10) is hoping to make a difference for the Delaware County Habitat for Humanity by hiking the Appalachian Trail in the spring and summer of 2011. He first attempted this feat in early summer 2010, but was stalled by a knee injury at the beginning of the trip.

HIS INJURY has not deterred his spirit, however, and Raab is continuing to gather donations for his newly-scheduled hike. The Appalachian Trail is 2,178 miles long and takes thru-hikers an average of six months to complete the entire trail. Raab's goal is to finish in five months. For more information on his journey, visit www.hikeforhabitat.com.

Providing a platform

David Nurre (Mia. '99) wrote to members of Maketewah Country Club in honor of its 100th anniversary celebration on Oct. 4:

IN DECEMBER 2004, I became a fortunate recipient of the Evans Scholarship. To this day, I still have that letter framed and hanging in my home. To say that the Scholarship made a profound difference in my life's direction would be a major understatement.

I WAS HIGHLY involved in the Evans Scholars home, where I was elected chapter president. I became a summer intern at Queen City Insurance, facilitated by WGA Director Mr. Tom Binzer (Mia. '79). Queen City was bought by USI in 1999. After graduation, I joined USI as a full-time benefits consultant. On June 1, 2010, I celebrated my 11th anniversary with the company. During those 11 years, I earned my MBA from Xavier University, was nominated as a Top 40 Professional Under the Age of 40 (Business Courier) and was named vice president.

I HAVE BEEN married since 2002 and am a proud father of three young boys. My family lives in Maineville. Thank you for providing me a platform to meet influential people and learn valuable life lessons. It was because of those past experiences that I am now in the position I am today.



Chris Boehm (Mia. '94) with pro golfer Mark O'Meara, who was the guest speaker at the 2010 Evans Scholars Invitational.

Brittany Barrett, '10, married Christopher Falkowski on Sept. 5 in Cincinnati.

Michigan

Michael Muchortow, '78, wrote in September: "After spending the first 24 years of my career with Arthur Anderson, I opened my own financial planning and money management practice in 2003 near my home in Shelby Township, Mich. The practice has grown over the years, but I have intentionally kept it small to provide a high level of personal and customized



Peter Brown (Mich. '05) is engaged to Julie Petrosky.

service. Two of my children, Melanie and Jason, have entered the world of business and were able to assist me while they were attending college at my alma mater. I

also have two younger sons, Adam and Bryan, who are still in college. Bryan is attending MSU and lives right next door to the Evans Scholars House. He tells me the guys seem to be having too much fun. I recently published a book called *Thrifty and His Money.*" (see p. 44).

Paul Beusterien, '86, is head of development tools at Symbian Foundation in the San Francisco area.

Bridget (McCarville) Wanczyk, '89, is an entertainment marketer at General Motors headquarters in Detroit.

Michael Melfi, '99, is a partner at Shepherd Melfi in Detroit.

Pat Somerville, '02, won the 23rd District House of Representatives seat on Nov. 2. He runs an Internet business.

Peter Brown, '05, is engaged to Julie Petrosky. The couple plan to marry May 21, 2011, in Redford Twp., Mich.

Ken Brown, '07, is a financial analyst at BCD Travel.

Nathan Meredith, '07, married Amber Shaw.

Sara Pilon, '07, married Sean Morgan on Aug. 21. The couple lives in Livonia, Mich. She graduated from Wayne State University in December with a doctorate in physical therapy.

She wrote in October: "This summer, I had a clinical internship with the Detroit Institute for Children, an outpatient pediatric clinic, and I am currently completing an internship on the inpatient rehab unit at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. I really enjoyed my experience in pediatrics and will be seeking

a job as a pediatric physical therapist after graduation. "

Li Sun, '08, works in the investment banking division at Credit Suisse in New York.

Ben Scott, '10, is an electronics engineer at Defense Information Systems Agency in Falls Church, Va. He lives in Odenton, Md.



Sara Pilon (Mich. '07) married Sean Morgan on Aug. 21.

'It's been a good summer'



Mary (Bitkowski) Petrovich (Mich. '85) won the Oakland Hills Club Championship.

Mary (Bitkowski) Petrovich (Mich. '85) wrote in September:

I WON the Oakland Hills Club Championship last week by shooting three rounds in the 70's (par and rated 74), which I guess had never been done before. I came from 5 behind to beat the seven-time champ there who started off with a hole-in-one in the first round, and then ultimately won by 6.

IT'S BEEN a good summer as I also won again at Pine Lake Country Club. So that makes it a great year for me when you throw in Mediterra (Naples) championship on top. Handicap down to 2.6, a personal best for me.

SCOTT FINISHED as a finalist at Oakland Hills and had a hole-in-one at the Club Championship. Kyle (son, just turned 13) beat me for the first time (he shot 72 from the whites) and won quite a few Meijer tour events this past summer. Hard to believe he hits his drives right up with me at 85 lbs.

Bag tags



David Griffus (Mich. '05) snapped a picture of a WGA Par Club bag tag belonging to **Jeff Rude (Mo. '76)** that is displayed on a wall of bag tags from around the world at the historic Carnoustie Golf Links clubhouse in Scotland. The course is considered to be one of the world's toughest.

Michigan State

John Reynolds, '60, is a retired Colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He wrote in November: "Time has flown. Still playing (5 handicap) after bypass surgery in 2008. Kids (three boys) all grown and doing well. Still relish memories of Orchard Lake Country Club as a caddie and mowing greens during college summers.

To this day, I cannot think of an environment more conducive to building a person's values and character than hauling a couple of HotZs for wonderful, caring golfers who have your best interests in their hearts."

Rick DeVirgilio, '76, is interim CFO of B2B CFO in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Michelle (Hraba) Sabin, '93, is a district administrator at Target in Warren, Mich.

Christianne (Trese) Benner, '94, is director of national sales at Bennetek in the Grand Rapids, Mich. area.

John Stark, '95, is director, enterprise sales, at The Cobalt Group, ADP - Dealer Service Division, in Seattle. He earned his executive MBA at Michigan State University in May 2009.

Jennifer (Butcher) Bailey, '99, is a first-grade teacher at Brandon School District in Ortonville, Mich. She and her husband Jason and their two daughters live in Detroit.

Rob O'Leary (MSU '88), his wife **Mary (OSU '87)**, center, and **Jeff Harrison (MSU '86)**, right, with the Daniel Murphy Evans Scholars women.



Catching up

Jennifer (Butcher) Bailey (MSU '99) wrote in August:

I HAVE BEEN married for seven years now and am living in Oxford, Mich. This is my 11th year teaching in the Brandon School District. I am a kindergarten teacher and love it. It is a constant, non-stop moving world, but a lot of fun and very rewarding.

I MARRIED MY high school sweetheart, Jason. Unfortunately, he went to the other school, so let's just say that we are a house divided. We have two beautiful daughters. Ava is 4 years old, and Ella just turned three. We will be trying for a third soon and are hoping for a boy!

A life-changing journey



Janet Grom (Minn. '11) spoke at the Minnesota Seven Club event on Aug. 16. Excerpts from her speech are below:

"WHEN I WAS awarded an Evans Scholarship in 2007, I was unaware of the life-changing journey I was about to begin. It boggled my mind to think that thousands of people, most of whom I would probably never meet, were willing to afford me the opportunity to go to a Big Ten University.

AFTER BEING a Scholar for three years, I get it. The people behind the Evans Scholars Program believe in creating opportunities for those who may not be able to create their own. The best opportunity the Scholarship created for me was the chance to form relationships with truly incredible people.

THE SCHOLARS I have gotten to know I foresee being friends with for the rest of my life. The directors and Alumni are admirable, hard-working people who have continually supported me. I have learned an extraordinary amount about others and myself, as well as life in general.

ACCEPTING THE SCHOLARSHIP to Minnesota has been one of the best decisions I have ever made. The Scholarship has become a life-changing experience enhanced by honorable people whom I have had the privilege of getting to know.



The Minnesota women Scholars at a gathering with WGA Directors Ede Rice and Cheryl Schneider, not pictured.

Ryan Ross, '05, is CatholicWeb.com technical support at Diocesan Publications in Byron Center, Mich. He is engaged to Helena Bielecki. He lives in Wyoming, Mich.

Jason Hawkins, '10, is task force manager/bench GM for American Hospitality Management based in Cheboygan, Mich., working for their various hotels throughout the Midwest.

Minnesota

Michael Bann, '81, is a partner at Bann Business Solutions in St. Paul. He wrote in August: "We just opened a new division of our company called Bann Banking Solutions.

We have taken our print, office supply and promotional product offers and have added direct marketing services of intelligent direct mail, email and mobile.

I got my third career hole-in-one this year en route to a 69 at Cumberland Golf Club in

Wisconsin. Hope all is well with everyone!"

Shane Glassing, '97, is a special agent with the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration & Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, in Miami.

Allan Cockriel, '03, is senior operations leader for all GE money consumer lending in the United Kingdom, based in London.

Adam Arola, '05, is an agent at American Family Insurance.

Shawn Smith, '10, is victory director at the Republican Party of Wisconsin in Madison.



Rick Grassel (Mo. '83) with WGA Director Jerry Hickey at the Evans Scholars Speakers Forum.

Missouri

Tom Quigley, '70, was inducted into the University of Missouri Department of Civil Engineering's

Academy of Distinguished Alumni in October.

Steve Carpino, '74, is vice president, research and development, at Pirelli Tire North America in Rome, Ga. He lives in Rome, Ga.

Carleton Johnson, '88, is vice president of marketing at Compass Productions in the Minneapolis area.

Pat Mueller, '88, made his second career hole-in-one this summer, aching the par-three 12th hole at Mount Prospect Golf Club in Mount Prospect, Ill.

Rick Bargatze, '92, is a sales executive at Boulevard Style in the St. Louis area.

Mike Olwig, '92, is a senior product line advocate at American National Property and Casualty Company.

Myke Gemkow, '95, is a teacher at Columbia Community Montessori School and director of the Young Skillet Summer Camp.

Steve Czarnecki, '97, is pursuing an MBA at the University of Missouri. He wrote in August: "I have a wonderful scholarship opportunity and we will also be closer to family for at least awhile. I plan to focus on managerial finance and nonprofit management and will graduate at the end of 2011."

Second Scout badge day



Matt Skally (Minn. '96) wrote in August:

THE SECOND ANNUAL Boy/Girl Scout Merit Badge Day was a huge success. It has been said "it takes a village," and this event was no exception. I want to thank everyone for their generosity in giving of their time and talents towards this very worthy cause.

ACTIVE EVANS SCHOLARS who helped develop the curriculum, present materials, and mentor kids

included Paul Stadem, Chad Furey, Luke Kretchmer, Scott Cummings, Sam Tipping, Philip Dietel, Greg Hoepfner, JP Wynne, Gabriella Potter, and Joe Hau, our overall project manager for the event.

ALUMNI! Joe Larson, thanks for running the chipping clinic. Matt Whebbe, thanks for taking time out of your vacation to run our putting clinic. Heidi Olson, the rules clinic was certainly a hit!

Braemar Staff: John Valliere and his team again this year donated all of the golf and facilities.

MGA Staff: Doug Hoffman, your piece of the presentation as well as the range instruction was awesome! Adam Locke, thanks for mentoring a group while some of them played for the first time.

SEVERAL PARENTS commented on how great the day was for their kids. Thanks for your many contributions. We could not have done it without you! Looking forward to next year!



Rebuilding after fire loss



Sean Ulbert (Mo. '77), his wife Estephanie and son Sean pose with California governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Sean Ulbert (Mo. '77) submitted in November:

MY SON JUST received his master's in English and is currently an online trainer for teachers. He also heads up the Rock Band "ELECTRIC MISTRESS" on the weekends out of Hollywood. My daughter Tera and wife Estephanie are online teachers. I still have my own ad agency in San Diego County, Ulbert Enterprises.

ON OCT. 21, 2007, our home in Escondido, Calif., in San Diego County, was burned to the ground by California wildfires. We were forced to evacuate at 4 a.m., and we

"When you lose everything, it gives you an opportunity to gain what is important."

drove to the edge of the Pacific Ocean for safety; the whole county was on fire. We all survived.

THE INSURANCE

COMPANY forced us to rebuild on the same land of the fire. We are still fighting Mercury Insurance and SDGE for reimbursements three-plus years later.

BESIDES THAT, life is great. We all thank God for bringing us out alive! In fact, when Matt Lauer (who interviewed the family on TV) asked us what the first thing was that we replaced after our home burned to the ground, I was able to tell him, and all of America, "The Bible."

WHEN YOU LOSE everything, it gives you an opportunity to gain what is important.

Northern Illinois

Robert Kelly, '87, is executive vice president, business banking, at Standard Bank in Hickory Hills, Ill.

Bruno Oberle, '94, is a sales associate at Plymouth Tube.

John Kiriakopoulos, '98, is general manager and head golf professional at Bittersweet Golf Club in Gurnee, Ill.

John Kieca, '10, is a financial advisor at Edward Jones. He lives in Chicago.



Amy (Vanderheyden) Horwitz (NIU '94), **Bob Thies (Marq. '85)** and **Sue Lack (NIU '92)**, at the Midlothian Evans Scholars event.

Northwestern

George Karney, '55, wrote in November: "Since retiring in 2000, I have served various congregations in Delaware,



Mike Neblo (NU '91), right, and **Joe Desch (Mia. '84)** at the Ohio State Evans House, where Neblo is the new faculty advisor.



Dick Staats (NU '62) flips through memory books at the Northwestern Dedication ceremony.

Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Our life has been full. This past year, my wife and I went on a safari in Kenya. Bypass surgery has not prevented me from continuing on with a full and active life. I enjoy the news of the Scholars but distance and Sunday duties usually preclude our attending."

John Murphy, '80, is deputy chief of staff at the Cook County Sheriff's Office in Chicago.

Ann Marie Bredin, '95, is a business bankruptcy and restructuring attorney at Meltzer, Purtill and Stelle in Chicago. She lives in Chicago.

Brian Huddleston, '00, works on the retail desk at Interactive Brokers in Chicago.

Robert Muth, '02, is an attorney at Godes & Preis in Irvine, Calif. He founded a nonprofit called The Teddy Fund that contributes financially to



Keith Dronen (NU '80) and **Bill Moses (Marq. '04)** at the Northwestern-Purdue football game on the weekend of the Dedication.



Mike Danaher (NU '07) married Vickie Paprocki on Oct. 2. The couple is surrounded by Scholars.

organizations that help improve the health and well-being of children in need. He and his wife live in Los Angeles.

Julian Benz, '05, is an associate scientist/engineer at Idaho National Laboratory in Idaho Falls, Idaho. He lives in Idaho Falls.



Roger Sandstrom (NU '54) and **Dick Spletzer (NU '59)** tour the new Northwestern House.

Peter Slawniak, '06, is a litigation associate at Winston and Strawn in Chicago. He lives in Riverside, Ill.



Tom Lynch (NU '61) and his wife Linda at the dedication ceremony of the remodeled Northwestern Scholarship House.

Mike Danaher, '07, married Vickie Paprocki on Oct. 2. The couple live in Chicago. Mike is the IT services manager at Western Golf Association in Golf, Ill.

Slava Kremerman, '10, is a consulting analyst at Inpoint, an Aon company, in Chicago.

The Pasquesi brothers with WGA Director Tom Horwich, center, at the Alumni Speakers Forum. From left: **Lou (Ind. '90)**, **Joe (Ill. '96)**, **Frank (NU '87)** and **Mark (NU '93)**



Ohio State

Walter Bakle, '64, is retired. He lives in Columbus. He is a golf starter and ranger at Worthington Hills Country Club in Columbus.

Garry Domis, '71, is a silviculturist (forester) for the North Kaibab Ranger District of the Kaibab National Forest, which borders the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. He lives in Fredonia, Ariz.



Mike Ernst (OSU '11), being announced by WGA Director Bill Kingore as a National Committee member, at the BMW Championship.

Gary Johns, '74, is a financial advisor at Edward Jones in Perrysburg, Ohio.

Jim Reinhold, '81, is manager of international programs for

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Buckeyes reunion event



Ohio State Alums gathered for a weekend reunion that featured a House tour.

OHIO STATE ALUMNI from 1968-71 gathered in Columbus the weekend of Sept. 10 to participate in the Hamilton House Invitational, tour the new Hamilton House and watch the OSU football game.

ALUMS FROM ACROSS the country participated in the first reunion event. Organizer Dan Spaeth (OSU '68) said some Scholars hadn't seen each other in 40 years. The event coincided with the Invitational, an event that raises funds for House maintenance. The weekend highlight was a tour of the Hamilton House, which was dedicated in May 2009. Most Alumni had contributed to the campaign, but many hadn't yet seen the new House.

"IT WAS IMPORTANT for me to put something together to allow those people to see what they had contributed to," Spaeth said. "The initial spark for the whole event was the Hamilton House fundraiser."

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GE Aviation's Military Engines business. He and his wife Kim have two children.

Tom Reinhold, '82, is a senior vice president in the commercial banking division at JPMorgan Chase.

Richard Graham, '86, is owner/principal consultant at The Sirius Group in Seattle.

Terry Penrod, '86, is a realtor at Real Living in Columbus and a member of the Human Rights Campaign's national board of directors.

Anthony Monaco, '88, is a practice management sales specialist at LexisNexis in the Charlotte, N.C., area.

Gary Behan, '89, is general manager at Country Club of Peoria in Peoria Heights, Ill.

Rick Haeufle, '93, wrote in September: "My wife Angi and I are starting our family. We are currently in the process to finalize the adoption of a 7-year-old boy from the foster system in Hamilton County. We are already working toward finding siblings for him to grow up with, as well."



Matt Desch (OSU '80), second from left, hosted a dinner for Evans Alumni in Washington D.C. on Oct. 21 at the Ritz-Carlton. Pictured, from left: WGA's John Kaczowski, Jim Moore and **Jerry Dudek (Ill. '84)**.

A lifelong scholarship

Brian Dietz (OSU '07) wrote in September:

MY ASSOCIATION with the Evans Scholars Program extends beyond my four years at the house at Ohio State. As "Bones" always said, "You wear your Evans Scholars hat 24/7." I never did appreciate how true of a statement that is.

AS I WAS applying to the College of Optometry, I earned an interview for admission. On the admission committee and sitting in on the interview was Michael Earley (NU '83). The first thing he said was that he was glad I was wearing my Evans Pin on my suit.

"The Evans Scholarship has given me more than a simple scholarship to Ohio State. It has offered me a career."

IT WAS AN instant ice-breaker and I was told that day that I was admitted to the Ohio State College of Optometry, one of the top two in the country. Most others didn't find out for several weeks.

FAST FORWARD four years later, and I found myself in another interview, this time for a position as an associate optometrist in a well-established practice in Northwest Ohio.

MY FIRST INTERVIEW with one of the owners was at my home course where I caddied in Lima, Ohio, Shawnee Country Club. During the meal, several people that I used to work with approached me to say hello.

AFTER BEING ASKED how I knew these people, I explained that I used to caddie there and discussed the Evans and my previous roles as New Scholar Educator and President. During my second interview with the other two owners, I was immediately asked by the principal owner if I knew a close friend of his, Mr. John Kretzschmar. I calmly said that I did, that I spent a lot of time with him during my presidency and even told his famous "parachute" story.

IT WASN'T 15 minutes later that Mr. Kretzschmar walked in. I sat and talked to him for 20 minutes and we shared stories about the Evans. It was shortly after that interview that I was offered the position.

THE EVANS SCHOLARSHIP has given me more than a simple scholarship. It has offered me a career, and I am truly in debt for it.

Jerry Haeufle, '95, is a sixth-grade teacher in the Hamilton City School District.

Ahmed Maaraba, '98, is a management consultant at Diginer and an adjunct faculty member at Hennepin Technical College.

Doug Nurre, '99, is a territory manager at ClarkWestern Building Systems in West Chester, Ohio. He and his wife have three children: Joshua, 4, Emily, 2, and Zachary, 1.

Jeff Schrenk, '01, married Jenna Lutz on Aug. 28. He is an international transportation manager at Limited Brands in Columbus.

Jonathan Wheeler, '03, works at an aviation company in Columbus. He and his wife welcomed their first son in February 2009.

Chris Doyle, '04, is an IT audit senior at Fifth Third Bank. He lives in Cincinnati.

Will Beavan, '05, is engaged to Anne-Blair Stenger.

Brian Dietz, '07, and his wife Rachel welcomed son Lane Edward on Aug. 31.

Justin Rex, '08, is a brokerage associate, retail services group, at Colliers International in Cincinnati.

Matt Orr, '09, is an associate at Stonehenge Capital in Columbus.

Joseph Rotert, '09, is a systems engineer at Rolls-Royce Energy Systems in Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Oregon

Frank Oreste, '75, is a sales representative at Ricoh Business Systems in the Portland area.

Joe English, '83, is a weather anchor and general assignment reporter at KATU News in Portland.

Penn State

Bob Kunkle, '04, earned a master's of science degree in architecture from the University of Oklahoma.

He wrote in October: "I am living and working in New York City for the largest construction management firm in the U.S., Turner Construction. I am very proud to say that I am currently working on a project at the World Trade Center site as they continue to rebuild this landmark. It is truly surreal to be a part of this historic rebuilding process."

Purdue

Barry Curtis, '81, is an independent management consulting professional in the Gainesville, Fla., area.

Joshua Aldort, '92, is an attorney at Butler Pappas in Chicago.

Bob Fitzgerald, '95, is engaged to Julie Summers. The couple plan to marry March 26.

He is supervisor of software engineering at Cummins-Allison in Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Brice Grinstead, '96, is senior director, safety and health, at MasterBrand Cabinets in Jasper, Ind.

Frank Maggio, '96, is vice president operations at voestalpine Elmsteel in the Lafayette, Ind., area.

Jared Grinstead, '99, is an eighth-grade science teacher at Western School Corporation



Jason Freiburger (Pur. '00), right, at the Indiana Evans Alumni Classic.



Jackie Stuerzenberger (Pur. '10), pictured with Purdue Scholars and Alumni, married Aaron Schaffer on July 24.

in Russiaville, Ind. He earned a master's degree in secondary education from Indiana University Kokomo in June.

Rev. Jason Freiburger, '00, is director of ecumenism for the Fort Wayne, Ind., area, and is vice-chancellor of the diocese and chaplain of Bishop Dwenger High School in Ft. Wayne.

Megan Horsch, '02, is a fourth-grade enrichment teacher at Mokena

Intermediate School in Mokena, Ill. She lives in Chicago.

Dayna Syperek, '02, is a senior national account manager at Stratas Foods based in Memphis, Tenn. She lives in Wausau, Wis.

Matt Hammer, '03, is assistant vice president, client manager, Illinois Business Banking, at Bank of America in Elmhurst.

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Bringing therapeutic arts to African orphans

Jim Brady (Pur. '08) submitted in November:

IN JUNE OF 2010, I traveled with the Global Alliance for Africa to Kenya and Tanzania. The two-week long trip was part of the organization's therapeutic arts program. My fellow travelers and I, as well as a few local artists, ran art camps for orphans and vulnerable children affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic.



THE PROJECTS the children work on at the camps were designed to give them an avenue through which they could express themselves and to hopefully help them deal with some of the trauma that they have endured by the loss of family and friends to AIDS and HIV.

OUR TRIP WAS just one small part in Global Alliance's overall mission to help these disadvantaged children. The experience opened my eyes to the reality of the poverty in these sub-Saharan countries, as well as to the far-reaching effects of the AIDS/HIV epidemic. It also allowed me to work with many caring and committed people in both countries who are trying to make sure that these children's futures are not lost because of this terrible disease.

Alumni at the BMW Championship's Pro-Am Pairings Party. From left: Rene Twardowski, Melissa Brady, Jennifer (Sylve) Jordan, Suzanne (Duckett) Kimmerly, and Megan Horsch.



Purdue cont.

Kristen Beyer, '06, married **Patrick Kearns (OSU '06)** on July 10 in Cleveland. She wrote in November: "We met when OSU roadtripped to Purdue in 2004 for the football game. We got engaged while on vacation in 2008. We currently live in St. Petersburg, Fla. He's in the Physician Assistant program at Barry University, and I'm teaching high school reading."

Andrew Howard, '03, married Heather Basore on Sept. 11 in Bloomington, Ind. He is an engineer at the Crane Naval Surface Warfare Center. They live in Bloomington.

Erin Indovina, '08, is Alumni Services manager at the Western Golf Association in Golf, Ill.



Kristen Beyer (Pur. '06) married **Patrick Kearns (OSU '06)** July 10 in Cleveland.

Kelly Ritchie, '08, is a personal trainer at Bally Total Fitness and a member of the Blackhawks Ice Crew.

Jackie Stuerzenberger, '10, married Aaron Schaffer on July 24.

Washington

Dave Thompson, '80, is a CPA at LeMaster Daniels in Bellevue, Wash.

Mike Adams, '03, earned his MBA from Bellevue University in 2009. He is a web analyst at Super Supplements.

Peter Denton, '03, is co-founder of mombo.com.

Sarah Grover, '10, works at Seattle Children's Hospital.

Wisconsin

Robert Giannasi, '61, is chief administrative law judge at the National Labor Relations Board in Washington, D.C. He lives in Chevy Chase, Md.

Kurt Basler, '74, is director, staffing and talent acquisition, at Pride International in the Houston area.

Jeff Holtmeier, '75, is president and enrolled agent at

Fairways Income Tax Service in Fairfax, Va.

Vasanti (Galande) Brandl, '89, is an account manager at Grainger in the Austin, Tex., area.

David Overby, '92, is a corporate accountant at RSC Equipment Rental. He lives in Phoenix.

Ryan Reischel, '95, is a physical education teacher and head coach, varsity boys tennis, at Stoughton High School in Stoughton, Wis.

Dawn (Arendt) Nawrot, '01, is owner of The Petal's Edge in North Fond du Lac, Wis.

Lori Dalsky, '02, is a vocational counselor at Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services in San Antonio, Tex. She is engaged to Dallas Dlouhy. The couple plan to marry Aug. 20, 2011. She lives in San Antonio.

Heidi (Drews) Haas, '05, is a senior business analyst at SNR Denton in Chicago.

Teresa Nehm, '05, is a field engineer at General Electric.

Joe Cabelka, '08, is pursuing a law degree at the University of Minnesota.

Ashley Hoff, '08, is pursuing a master's degree in regulatory affairs at Northeastern University in Wisconsin.

Sharon (DeBoer) Kleist, '08, married **Andrew Kleist, '07**, on Jan. 23. The couple live in Eau Claire, Wis.

Steve Olsen, '08, is social media and e-marketing coordinator at TaylorMade-adidas Golf Company in Carlsbad, Calif.



Tom Mallman (Wis. '62) with Evans Scholar **Ben Rebecca (Ill. '11)** who interned at Mallman's company, C.W. Henderson & Associates this past summer. "Another great ES intern," Mallman said. "He did a great job and learned how a small investment firm operates."

Michaela King, '10, is pursuing a master's degree in accounting at the University of Wisconsin and will begin a position as a tax consultant at Deloitte in Minneapolis in the fall of 2011.

Mark Mleziva, '10, is pursuing a teaching license at the University of Wisconsin. He is the graduate resident advisor at the Wisconsin Evans Scholarship House.

Kansas

David Green, '81, is with Contemporary Monkey in the publishing industry in the United Kingdom.

Mike Bulger, '87, is a sales manager at Siegal Steel Company in the Chicago area.

Jason Van Hecke, '95, is director of business development at WDM Architects in Wichita, Kan.

Reinard Nanzig (NU '39)

Dr. Reinard P. Nanzig of Grand Rapids, Mich., **a recipient of one of the first ten Evans Scholarships**, died on Aug. 30 at the age of 93. The only son growing up with seven sisters, he spent his summers as a caddie at Westmoreland Country Club and was awarded the Evans Scholarship to Northwestern University.

Dr. Nanzig received undergraduate and medical degrees from Northwestern. He **served in the U.S. Navy Medical Corps** in the South Pacific from 1943-1946. After completing postgraduate work in obstetrics and gynecology, he began practicing medicine and served on the staffs of St. Mary's Hospital and Blodgett Memorial Hospital. Dr. Nanzig was an **avid golfer until age 90**. He was a member of Cascade Hills Country Club. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Rose; his sons Paul (Jenee), Tom (Barb), Jim, Rob (Dianne), Dave (Sarah); six grandchildren; and sister Alberta Braskamp. - *Adapted from the Grand Rapids Press*

Paul David Johnson (Wis. '73)

Paul David Johnson passed away on Oct. 11 at the age of 59 after battling cancer. He was born in Waupaca, Wis., earned a math education degree from the University of Wisconsin, and attended optometry school at Pacific University in Portland. He **married his best friend Peggy (Averill)** in 1974.

His **adventurous spirit** led him to move his family to the Canadian Parklands in Red Deer, Alberta, after optometry school. While there, he helped establish Camp Alexo, a youth camp for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. He settled in Rhinelander, Wis., in 1986, where he practiced optometry with the Rhinelander Medical Group, and, most recently, the Eye Clinic of Wisconsin.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children Eric (Valerie), Kristi (T.J.) Estabrook, and Brian; his four siblings, Keith, Jim (Sandy), Nancy Kubenick, and Tom (Susan). - *Adapted from the Rhinelander Daily News*

Remembering Al Purdy

Allan Purdy was a talker. Meeting with him was always a pleasure, but you had to make sure you had some time, Wally Pfeffer (Mo. '77) said. "Allan was very thorough. He didn't want there to be any misunderstandings, and he only wanted to have to do something once," he said.

Purdy, 96, passed away on Oct. 14. Although he played an influential role in the Missouri Evans Scholars Chapter as their first faculty advisor in 1968, friends of Purdy joke about how he never played a round of golf in his life. He accepted the volunteer role because the Evans Scholars Foundation promoted the same educational values he did.

"He was very familiar with the efforts of the Evans Scholars Program and very supportive of our efforts to get the House established on the Missouri campus," said WGA Director Jack Holland (Mo. '72).

When Purdy retired, he became a WGA Director and continued to work at the Missouri House as "a committee of one who oversaw the maintenance of the House."

"With a \$1.2 million renovation on the table (in) the 1990s, his familiarity with local contractors, understanding of city rules and regulations, and just plain old



Al Purdy, center, with Rachel Czech (Mo. '13) his first Endowed Named Scholar, in October 2009.

common sense were more important than ever," Pfeffer said in his eulogy.

Purdy's legacy goes far beyond Evans Scholars. He was well-known for helping students find loans and scholarships and worked as Missouri's first director of scholarships and student financial aid. Through this position, he became nationally known as an expert in student financial aid. He was the founding president of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and helped create the Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority, spending 20 years on its board of directors.

In 2008, the Missouri Evans Scholars Alumni established a Named Scholarship in honor of Purdy, which funds an Evans Scholarship for one Missouri Scholar. "He was a great champion and friend to students," Holland said.

Purdy is survived by his wife of 65 years, Vivian, and his four children and their families.

Mark Henckel (Wis. '72)

Mark Henckel died of a heart attack on May 29 at his home in Park City, Mont. He was 59. Henckel, originally from Wisconsin, graduated with a journalism degree from the University of Wisconsin. After taking a job with the *Billings Gazette* in Montana as a night reporter, he eventually became its first outdoors editor. He received many writing, editing and community service **awards throughout his career.**

Henckel loved sharing his **enjoyment of the outdoors** and interacted regularly with kids. He often spoke to students, encouraging them to learn more about the outdoors, and he attended youth-oriented fishing days. He was a devoted husband and father to his wife Carol and sons Andy and Matt. *-Adapted from the Billings Gazette*

Richard Szczepaniak (OSU '73)

Richard J. Szczepaniak of Sylvania, Ohio, was surrounded by his family when he succumbed to prostate cancer on July 25. He was 58. Szczepaniak attended Ohio State University and received a law degree from the University of Toledo. He soon began to practice as an attorney in Toledo.

His wife and friends described his **hard-working nature** and determination, evident in his summer morning bike rides to caddie at Inverness Club in West Toledo. Szczepaniak loved sports, serving as a **longtime basketball referee.** He also spent as much time as he could with his daughters, including coaching their soccer teams. He is survived by his wife, Cyndie; daughters, Sarah Szczepaniak and Beth Eckel; mother, Martha; and sister, Rose Kokocinski. *-Adapted from the Toledo Blade*

Ronald Andrae (NU '55)

Ronald A. "Big R" Andrae of Morris, Ill., passed away at his home on Oct. 1 with his family by his side. He was 76. Born in Chicago in 1933, Andrae attended Northwestern University. He married Joanne Marie Kriesel in 1955. He was also **a veteran of the U.S. Navy.** Andrae owned and operated Ron's Mobil gas station in Chicago, and later delivered papers for the Morris Daily Herald.

He is survived by three daughters, Barbara (Ed) Baker, Susan Bauer and Rhonda (Jason) Lawford; two grandchildren and his brother, Michael (Luisa). *-Adapted from the Morris Daily Herald*

Robert Sodoma (Minn. '64)

Robert "Bob" Sodoma, 69 of Austin Texas, passed away peacefully on Jan. 23, 2010, surrounded by his family. Bob was born on May 11, 1940, in St. Paul Minnesota to Bertha and Charles Sodoma. He was a graduate of the University of Minnesota as an Evans Scholar with a degree in electrical engineering. Bob **worked at IBM** over 30 years in various engineering positions and enjoyed golfing, fishing, gardening, socializing with friends and spending time with his grandson Reeves.

Bob is survived by his wife of 45 years, Gwen Sodoma; his two sons, Scott Sodoma and his wife Holly and their son Reeves; Todd Sodoma and his wife Gaye; and his sister Mary Lou Peterson and her husband Greg.

Bob Dykstra (Ind. '75)

Robert A. Dykstra, M.D., 57, passed away July 12 in Syracuse, Ind. Born in Detroit, Robert worked as a **physician** with Associated Anesthesiologist of Fort Wayne and Ophthalmology Consultants of Fort Wayne. He was a member of The Chapel. Robert was also a member of the **Fort Wayne Medical Society** and a graduate of Indiana University and Indiana University Medical School.

Surviving are his wife, Dianne D. Dykstra of Fort Wayne; children Emily Elizabeth and Andrew Alan Dykstra both of Fort Wayne; brothers, Gary (Kim) Dykstra of Snellville, Ga., Mark Dykstra of Sarasota, Fla., John (Maggie) Dykstra of Eden Prairie, Minn., Tim Dykstra of Lagrange, Thomas (Emily) Dykstra of Spencerville, Jay (Erin) Dykstra of Hartford, Conn.; sisters, Laura (Craig Vrooman) Dykstra of Ann Arbor, Mich., and Nancy Dykstra of Princeton, N.J.

Lee Harris Zimmerman (Wis. '61)

Lee Harris Zimmerman passed away in Lee's Summit, Mo., on Aug. 7 at the age of 72. He was born in West Palm Beach, Fla. He attended the University of Wisconsin where he received a degree in mechanical engineering. He went on to work as a regional sales manager and a sales representative in the Waste Water Treatment industry for most of his career.

He **loved the outdoors**, fishing and spending time at his lake house. He is survived by his wife, Shari Hunzinger; and his sons, Jay (Shawna) and Michael (MarySue). *- Adapted from the Kansas City Star*

POSTscripts

Now pitching, Luke Donald



PGA TOUR star and WGA Director Luke Donald made a special appearance at Wrigley Field Aug. 18 to build excitement for the 2010 BMW Championship. Donald threw out the ceremonial first pitch of the Chicago Cubs game with San Diego and led the 7th inning singing of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game."

Riverside reunion



In an annual tradition, Riverside Scholars and Alumni posed on the first tee to thank Par Club members.

PGA TOUR Volunteer of the Year



In December, Mel Krejci (III, '60) was named the 2010 PGA TOUR Volunteer of the Year for his longtime service to the BMW Championship. The 2010 event marked his 50th year as a volunteer, and he has served as chairman of the ShotLink Scoring Committee since ShotLink's debut in 2002.

Caddie championship



From left: Tom Cronin (III, '13), Brett Palmer (Marq. '14), Mike Jaklic (Ind. '11), Tom Wettstein (Ind. '12) and Sean Smith (Colo. '12) played in the 2010 WGA Caddie Championship on June 28 at LaGrange Country Club.

Thanks, Joe!

Joe Haffner (Marq. '87) speaks as the outgoing Chicago Alumni Association President at the Evans Scholars Speakers Forum on Nov. 10.

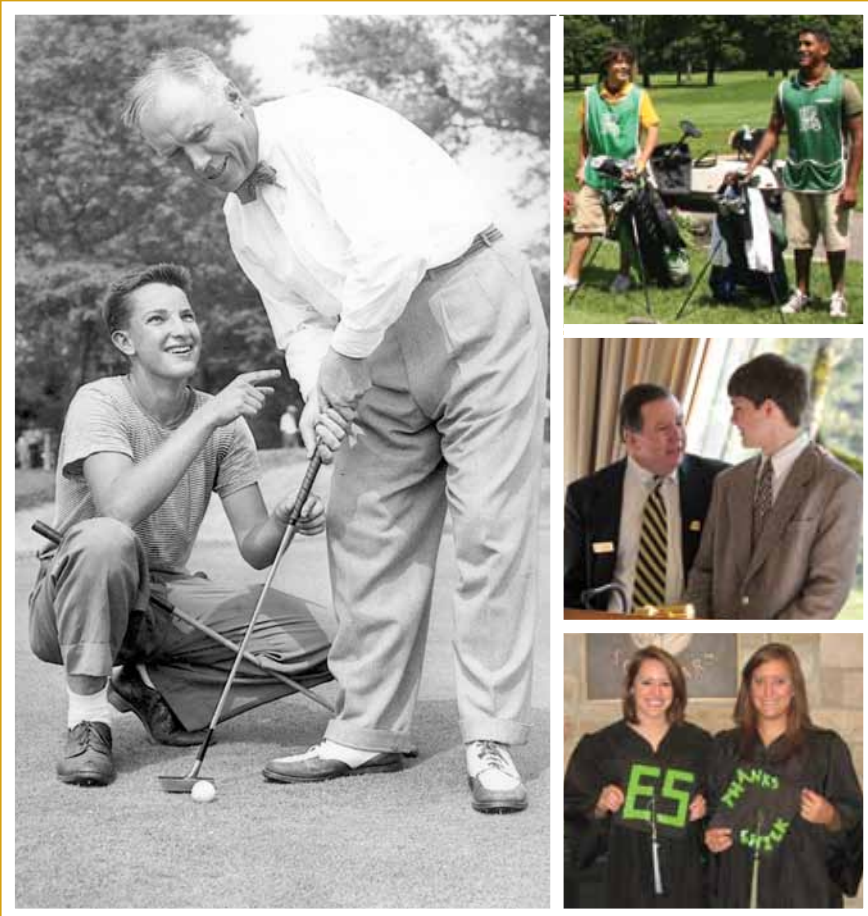




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