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The Power of Commitment

by Mark Putnam, Central College president



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From time to time I reflect on what makes an academic community strong and enduring. To be sure, there are many moving parts in an organization as complex as a college that keep things running, but there is also a unified spirit of commitment passed from one generation to the next that is even more powerful. As the legacy of commitment is passed, the college gradually changes as an organization, but endures as a legacy through the dedication of those who hold the mission, vision and values as a trust.

As I have conversations with faculty, staff, students, alumni, friends and trustees of Central College I am impressed by the shared sense of purpose that lives in the

minds and hearts of those who have been shaped by this unique experience. I am first taken with the depth of demonstrated commitment. We speak often of the values of this community as a place where relationships matter, where students pursue a wide variety of curricular and co-curricular experiences, and where the development of the individual is seen as comprehensive in mind, body and spirit. These values run deeply and each generation has found a meaningful way to live those values throughout our history.

Second, I see in our commitment the ability to sustain the college through times of great opportunity and periods of great challenge. Central College is more than 160 years old and has been

sustained through wars in our own land and in regions far away. We have seen economic pressures and demographic shifts cycle through American society across generations. Fires in the early 20th century robbed space and equipment dearly needed, but eventually replaced. Etched into our very landscape are the lines of age reminding us that experience brings wisdom, deep roots and enduring strength. We are sustained by a commitment to meaningful tradition and creative innovation, and our call today is to sustain our commitment in the future by being mission-driven and market-smart.

Third, the precious legacy of commitment that is ours is represented in the partnerships that make us strong. Many of these partnerships have been with us for generations as families have passed on a determination to deepen the strength of the college and sustain its success. Corporations and foundations have been very generous in bringing support to the college for its people and programs. Acts of kindness too numerous to list have opened doors, made connections and volunteered help year after year. Our legacy is a rich one, made possible by committed partners.

There is no way to adequately express our appreciation to the vast Central family around the world, but we on campus today honor your commitment through our hard work and dedication to preserving the legacy. Thank you for the power of your enduring commitment.

Read more of Mark Putnam's writings in President's Corner at civitas.central.edu.

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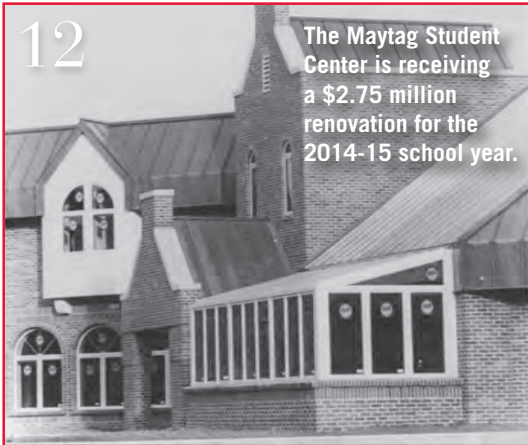
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Invested in Alumni

Central is all about development, and we are always making changes for the better. In recent months, a number of positions and responsibilities have shifted in the development and alumni offices. From promotions to a new hire, Central is working to keep alumni connected and in the loop.

MARY BENEDICT

In her 12 years at Central, Mary Benedict has worked as a campus visit coordinator and as the executive assistant to the vice president of college advancement. She is currently the assistant director of alumni relations.

Benedict helps plan, organize and manage alumni events and special reunions as well as help coordinate Homecoming, graduation, move-in day and senior week activities. She also works with the Central RED Society, a life-long learning program that began in September. Benedict manages the legacy program as well.

“What I love about my job is keeping up with all of the students I have gotten to know that are now alumni,” she says. “They are representing Central well, as do all of our alumni. We have a very large extended family, and I look forward to having it grow every year.”

ADAM HASELHUHN

Adam Haselhuhn is the newest member of the development office as the director of annual giving. Haselhuhn graduated from the University of Northern Iowa in 2011 with a bachelor’s degree in political communication and political science. Before coming to Central, he was the associate director of annual giving at Simpson College.

Haselhuhn works with the Journey

Scholarship Fund, which provides alumni and friends a way to support Central students through scholarships.

“Every day I get to come to my job knowing that the work I do has a direct impact on the life of a student – that is powerful and I’m very lucky to be here,” he says. “The people at Central are like a family. It is a wonderful campus community that is truly invested in the success of our students.”

DON MORRISON

After 20 years at Central, Don Morrison was recently named the director of development and planned giving. Most recently, Morrison was the director of planned giving. Previously, Morrison was the director of planned giving.

Morrison is charged with providing leadership, in collaboration with the vice president for advancement, in the planning, management, implementation and assessment of all fundraising and development activities at the college. He also is responsible for the overall management of the planned giving program and serves as the major gifts officer. Morrison meets with alumni all over the country with a vested interest in Central.

“Friends often say to me, ‘I could never ask anyone for money’ and they wonder how I can do what I do,” Morrison says. “My response is that I get to help people help people. There is nothing more



Mary Benedict, assistant director of alumni relations



Adam Haselhuhn, director of annual giving



Don Morrison, director of development and planned giving

Photos by Dan Vander Beek

personally satisfying to me than working with individuals who love Central College enough to give an important part of themselves away to help others—whether that’s through their gifts of time, talent or treasure. It’s remarkable when it happens and Central alumni do it in spades!”

PEGGY VAN DEN BERG ‘83

Peggy Van Den Berg ‘83 has worked for Central for 24 years, starting in September 1989. Over more than two decades, Van Den Berg has worked in a variety of offices at Central including the economics, accounting and management department, IT services and financial planning. Van Den Berg has been named the director of stewardship. She was previously the advancement database specialist.

Van Den Berg works toward generating a comprehensive plan to create mutually rewarding relationships between Central and donors at all levels, with letters, events or dedications.

“I’ve truly enjoyed every job I’ve had in every department over the years, and it always goes back to the coworkers and students with whom I’ve worked,” she says. “It’s a rewarding career making a difference in the lives of those seeking an education and seeing the world through their eyes and experiences.”



Peggy Van Den Berg ‘83, director of stewardship

KATHY CASHEN THOMPSON ‘87

Kathy Cashen Thompson ‘87 started work at Central following her graduation as an admission counselor for 10 years. Thompson left Central for 10 years before returning home in 2007 as the director of

annual giving. In April, she was promoted to director of alumni relations.

Thompson serves as the communication point-person between alumni and the college community. She connects with alumni through social media and on and off campus events.

“I feel that I have come full circle with my career,” Thompson explains. “From admission to alumni, it is such a joy to connect with alumni for the first time or after many years. Central is a great thing to have in common and I love that it is easy to relate to alumni who are 10 or 20 years ahead or behind me. Central is wonderfully the same, but better, and I look forward to sharing all the great things that are happening for our students and encouraging our alumni to continue their support.”



Kathy Cashen Thompson ‘87, director of alumni relations

CENTRAL, UNDER ARMOUR ANNOUNCE EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT

Central College and Under Armour, Inc., announced the Baltimore, Md.-based leader in performance apparel, footwear and accessories is now the official outfitter of the Dutch.

Central is the first Iowa college or university to become an Under Armour school. Central’s 19 varsity sports squads will use Under Armour competition and training gear, as will Dutch athletics staff members.

“I think this is a very exciting partnership for Central College,” says athletics director Eric Van Kley. “We feel Under Armour is the premier brand in the country for top-quality performance gear and its popularity with student-athletes and recruits continues to soar.

“We think this partnership really provides Central with another point of distinctiveness, not only in Iowa but at the national level. This also allows us an opportunity to really grow the Central College athletics brand.

Van Kley said word of the new partnership quickly spread when fall sport student-athletes started preseason drills. “There’s a lot of buzz about this on campus,” he says. “The students are enthusiastic and I’m even hearing from staff members outside of the athletics department.”

Central’s football uniform design was modified this fall for the first time since 1982 as the college became the first in Iowa to be affiliated with the Under Armour brand.



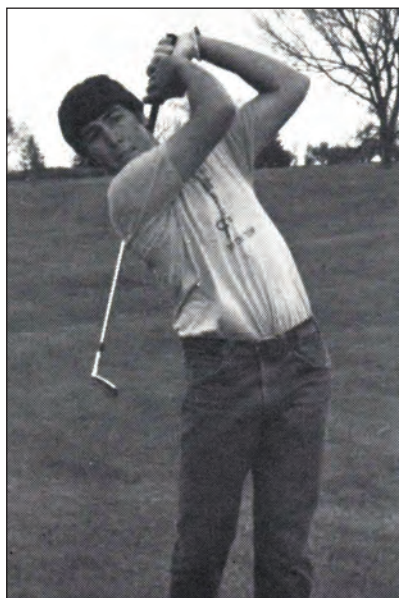
Four alumni inducted into Athletics Hall of Honor



Photo by Dan Vander Beek



Cindy (Kline) Olson



John Bermel



Brian O'Donnell



Mark Kacmarynski

A pair of highly decorated golfers and two memorable football players were inducted into the Central College Athletics Hall of Honor during Homecoming weekend Sept. 27-29.

All-American running back Mark Kacmarynski '96 of West Des Moines, former defensive back and coach Brian O'Donnell '70 of Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., three-time Iowa Conference women's golf MVP Cindy (Kline) Olson '88 of Urbandale and standout golfer, professional and coach John Bermel '84 of Cedar Falls were selected.

Central's hall of honor is intended to recognize those who were exceptional performers in the athletics arena as a student-athlete, coach or administrator, and who have distinguished themselves in life after graduation through service and leadership. To be eligible for consideration, a nominee must have graduated or served as a Central coach/administrator at least 15 years earlier.

Cindy (Kline) Olson '88

Olson was the Iowa Conference women's golf MVP for three seasons after transferring to Central in 1985, helping the Dutch win titles during a streak of six consecutive conference crowns. Olson was also the tournament medalist three straight years at the State Small College Tournament and twice at the National Small College Tournament, conducted simultaneously, receiving all-America distinction.

A three-time winner of the team's Maurine Timmer MVP Award, Olson was a team co-captain in 1987. She set a school season scoring average record of 80 in 1987 and her 18-hole score of 71 still matches the school's all-time low.

Olson works at Principal Financial Group in Des Moines and serves as director of project management in the retirement division. Olson walked

multiple marathons and half-marathons to raise money for Breast Cancer and Parkinson's Disease and served on the Greater Des Moines Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors from 2005-09.

John Bermel '84

Bermel helped Central claim four Iowa Conference titles and four NCAA Division III tournament top-10 finishes. A three-time top-three league placewinner, Bermel received all-America honorable mention distinction three times. He was team MVP and captain in 1984.

He reached three majors, the PGA Championships (1994, 1996) and the U.S. Senior Open (2012). Bermel was Iowa Section PGA Match Play champion (1990) and the Stroke Play winner four times (1993, 2000, 2004, 2006).

The Iowa assistant professional of the year in 1987, Bermel served three clubs before becoming head professional at Beaver Hills Country Club in Cedar Falls in 1990, and then at nearby Pheasant Ridge Golf Course in 1995.

Bermel also became men's golf coach at the University of Northern Iowa in 1995, adding women's golf responsibilities in 2002. The Iowa PGA Professional of the Year in 2012 and Golf Digest's "Best Teacher" for Iowa in 2009, Bermel received the Labron Harris Sr. Award through the PGA for his contributions to the game in 2011.

Brian O'Donnell '70

O'Donnell was a standout defensive back who had a school-record eight interceptions in 1967, including four in one game. He suffered a traumatic career-ending injury in the 1968 Homecoming game, causing paralysis.

O'Donnell received the 1968 team Mentink Award for leadership and inspiration. The team's outstanding freshman award and a scholarship were

later established in his name. He received the Alumni Achievement Award in 2000.

A 1970 graduate, he earned a master's degree at the University of Missouri and was a guidance counselor/coach at Highland High School in Riverside, Iowa. Head football coach from 1976-81, he was coach of the year following the 1976 conference title. In 1982 he returned to Assumption High School in his hometown, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., where he was head football coach from 1996-2002 and 1999 league coach of the year. He was an assistant from 2003-07, and remains as a counselor.

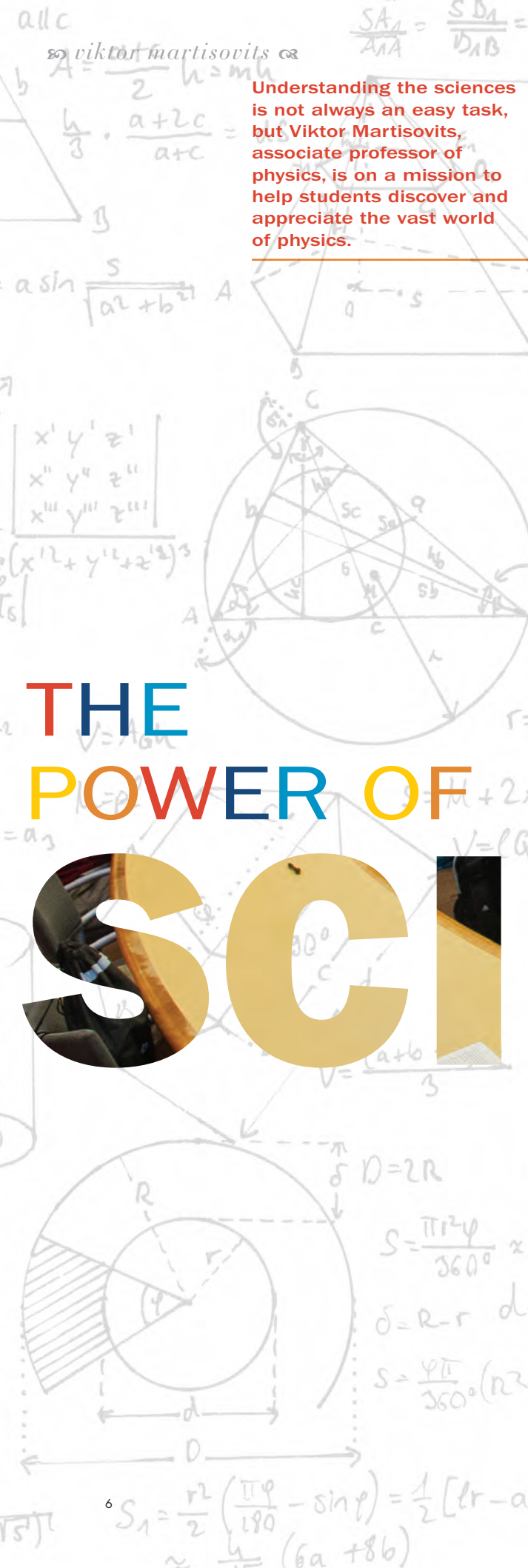
O'Donnell won the 1997 Personal Achievement Award from the Opportunity Development Center of Wisconsin Rapids.

Mark Kacmarynski '96

Kacmarynski spun and slashed his way to a Central football record 5,855 yards (133.0 per game) on 928 carries, including a record 1,971 yards (7.4 per carry) in 1994 when he was the Iowa Conference MVP. Featured in Sports Illustrated, he missed most of 1995 with a broken leg but returned in 1996 to earn his second team MVP award and first-team all-Iowa Conference honors a third time. A consensus all-America pick, two-time national player of the year finalist and a team co-captain, he pushed the Dutch to two league titles and NCAA berths.

Kacmarynski competed in three NFL training camps and played in NFL Europe for World Bowl champion Frankfurt in 1999 and Amsterdam in 2000.

Inducted into the Iowa High School Athletics Association Hall of Fame in 2009, he became a business partner with Kadeth Network solutions, living in West Des Moines. A mentor with Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Iowa, Kacmarynski helped found Central's Ron Schipper Memorial Golf Outing.



Understanding the sciences is not always an easy task, but Viktor Martisovits, associate professor of physics, is on a mission to help students discover and appreciate the vast world of physics.

THE POWER OF SCIENCE



Surrounded by state-of-the-art equipment, general physics students are trying to solve a problem. They are scattered in groups, working together to understand sound waves or momentum or vectors.

The three-hour labs test their knowledge and teamwork skills—and Viktor Martisovits, associate professor of physics, eagerly strolls around the lab answering questions and challenging student assumptions. All the students are working toward a common goal—find a solution—and Martisovits feeds off their teamwork. It was, after all, how he was taught to learn.

GETTING AN EDUCATION

It all started in the former Czechoslovakia—Martisovits attended middle and high schools designed to suit students interested in mathematics and science in what is now Slovakia. The early classroom is where he built the foundation for his life and career, and his current students are benefitting from his experiences.

“I was quite fortunate to be able to go to a really good middle school and high school,” Martisovits remembers. “My classmates were students who were also interested in math and sciences. I often had to work with my peers and that experience is something I use extensively as one of my teaching techniques.”

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Martisovits continued his education, studying at Comenius University for five years, earning a degree equivalent to a master's degree. At the time, Martisovits was unable to double major—he had to pick between physics and math. Although he always had an affinity for math, he rooted his career in physics.

“I would have double majored, if I could have,” he says. “In fact, our students have great success at Central College with two majors, but I didn't have that choice. So I decided on physics because in physics you certainly do physics, but the language of physics is mathematics.”

After completing his degree, Martisovits came to the United States to study at Ohio State University where he earned his doctorate in condensed matter physics researching superconductivity. He later spent two years researching at the University of California, Davis before applying to Central for a teaching position.

GOING DUTCH

He decided it was time to look for jobs while finishing his research in California, and found Central was hiring in 1999. Although small town life was foreign to Martisovits, a safe place to bring his family was appealing.

Visiting campus and Pella for the first time was unusual to him—everyone was friendly to him and his family, wife Daniela and children, Jakub, 21, and Lucia, 16.

“I was quite impressed with Central when I came to visit,” he says. “The small community was something I had never experienced before, and of course, people are very nice.”

But the most shocking part came when he took a check to the bank. In a trusting community, Martisovits was unaccustomed to lack of security or unlocked cars and homes.

“When I would go to the bank in California to cash a check, you needed to have an account, and they would ask for two IDs. They even started fingerprinting people!” he recalls. “When I cashed a check in Pella for the first time, I was expecting the same thing, but to my shock, I didn’t need to have an account or an ID. It completely surprised me that people leave cars unlocked, but I learned that Pella is a really great community.”

TEAMING UP

Thanks to his extensive math and science background, Martisovits uses his early lessons in his classroom. He fuels healthy competitions with group work. Although Martisovits knows not everyone prefers groups, he says it’s a useful skill for a career.

“Employers want people who have the ability to work effectively in teams,” he explains. “And team working skills do need to be practiced.”

And he understands different student needs—students with no physics background often take general physics. It’s a balancing act to make sure more experienced students are engaged while others don’t fall behind. He often works one-on-one with those struggling with specific concepts outside of class. He makes every effort to ensure their success.

And for the students that are further ahead, Martisovits likes to challenge them with “Problems for Fun.”



The optional problems keep students excited and interested in the class, and allow advanced students to work on issues that won’t be discussed in-depth during class.

“The problems I assign are truly fun and challenging,” he says. “I enjoy meeting with students to discuss the problems and listen to their ideas outside of class. We often work out the problem together.”

A wide range of students take physics classes. Some are studying chemistry or biology while others are studying music or business. He takes pride in providing relevant examples—the physics of wind instruments for musical students and a cardiac defibrillator for future doctors.

Although there are certain topics that need to be covered like force and torque (the principle behind building bridges), student-driven topics have a way of making it onto the curriculum. He even

researched the physics of the human voice after a student asked in class how it relates to physics. Even for students that aren’t science-y, it’s difficult not to enjoy a three-hour lab when they are designing simple rollercoasters, learning hands-on with car engines or having a spring-gun shooting contest.

“Labs are challenging,” Martisovits says with a laugh. “And the students take it very seriously—particularly the spring-gun shooting. They are competitive. The students really love labs because they get to work hands-on.”

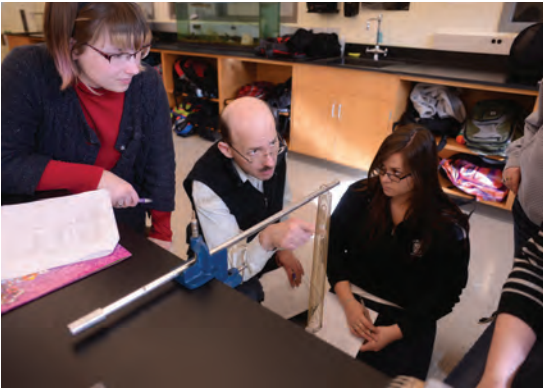
LIBERAL ART OF THE 21ST CENTURY

Because of the perplexing nature of physics labs and classes, Martisovits carves out time for student questions and concerns—homework assignments are the most demanding.

“I make the assignments challenging which allow them

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Associate professor of physics Viktor Martisovits draws from his experiences as a student in Slovakia by having his classes work in teams.



to work through problems together,” he says. “And if they can’t get the answer or are unsure, they can come to me to discuss the issues.”

Homework isn’t the only thing with which Martisovits helps students. Because about half of all physics majors are applying to graduate school, he often is the go-to professor for graduate school applications, letters of recommendation or even suggestions for essay topics. And when his students are accepted to multiple graduate programs, they go back to Martisovits to get his input.

“Last year, we had a couple of students who were accepted into seven or eight graduate schools,” he says. “This is a big part of what the physics department does, not only working with students in class. They may or may not be in my class, but it doesn’t matter. In physics, we are small. Any student we have, they feel very comfortable going to anybody. It’s nice that we can interact with students.”

With such a high success rate at Central, physics students—and professors—are spreading the word that physics is for everyone. Martisovits wants to debunk the myth that the science is only for those with an affinity and that it is too difficult for the average person.

“I really think it is unfortunate that public opinion says physics is for the very few,” Martisovits says. “Physics might be hard

for certain people, but for some other people, they might say it is easy. I think art can be difficult. Some people might not be able to do music. We all have different talents and gifts. Physics is no harder than anything else, and like everything else, it requires time and dedication.”

He encourages non-majors to take physics classes because he sees the world changing—the United States is falling behind in science and engineering compared to other countries around the world. Martisovits sees a great need for students to learn more about the physical world. It’s logical with right and wrong answers. Students need to solve complex problems. Even if a lawyer doesn’t need physics in law school, Martisovits says a student with even a small physics background will be more prepared to solve intricate issues.

At a conference for physics professionals, Martisovits discovered a phrase that he will not likely forget.

“At the conference, I heard that many other professionals were calling physics the ‘liberal art of the 21st century,’” he recalls. “Of course, many other areas are important, but it explains how useful physics can be in a vast amount of fields. It refers to the fact that a student can do so many things with a physics background and skills learned by studying physics.

“We are very proud of our students,” he says. “I really feel that getting them the education they need to be successful is what we are here for.”

Check out a video of Viktor Martisovits discussing his physics classes and activities online at civitas.central.edu.

MANY GIFTS

FOR THE DUTCH

**WE ARE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO THE ALUMNI AND COMMUNITY THAT
TREASURE CENTRAL AND ALL IT HAS TO OFFER. THANK YOU TO ALL
DONORS FOR BELIEVING IN CENTRAL.**

Central has been the beneficiary of several gifts from generous donors over the past several months. Thanks to these donors, Central has been able to update facilities, work more efficiently and use grants for student initiatives.

THE VERMEER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

To provide on-campus support for Central's renowned commitment to a global community on campus, the Vermeer Charitable Foundation awarded a \$500,000 grant to support the international student initiative.

With the five-year pledge, Central will begin work on the international student initiative, an element of the academic strategic plan. It will enable the college to recruit more international students, enhance the infrastructure of support for international students and create a campus community that is more international in character as well as composition.

"The Vermeer Charitable Foundation is one of our most treasured partners and we are extremely grateful to the foundation and the families for this transformative gift," says Mark Putnam, president. "Their support lifts our capacity to recruit international students, which is a key element of the broader framework of our international student initiative as defined in our academic strategic plan. We look forward to extending our partnership with Vermeer Corporation and exploring additional opportunities that emerge from the generosity and momentum represented by this pledge."

Central is a nationally recognized leader in study abroad, sending more than 10,000 students from over 400 American colleges on its semester, year-long and summer programs since 1965.

PPI DAKTRONICS SCOREBOARD

Thanks to a significant gift from PPI (Precision Pulley & Idler, Inc.) of Pella, a new Daktronics video display scoreboard was installed at Central's Ron and Joyce Schipper Stadium in September.

The scoreboard measures 27 feet wide by 35 feet, 6 inches tall, including a video display board that's 21 feet, 7 inches wide and 12 feet tall. The video display is the largest in the Iowa Conference.

It was installed on the north end of Schipper Stadium. Aside from use during football games, the video board can be synched with automatic timing systems and display placewinners and times at track and field meets. The scoreboard was first used during homecoming weekend Sept. 28.

"This will create a much improved overall game-day experience for both student-athletes and fans," says athletics director Eric Van Kley. "We greatly appreciate our partnership with PPI, which made this happen. It's part of our overall initiatives to continue facility enhancement, which is important not only for our student-athletes but for recruiting as well. This underscores the commitment we are making to our program. It builds on the Central tradition and increases our ability to compete at a national level moving forward."

Central's football and track and field programs are cornerstones of the Dutch athletics tradition. The football squad owns a record 30 Iowa Conference titles with 20 NCAA Division III playoff appearances and no losing seasons since 1960.

The Dutch men's track and field squad has posted 13 top-20 NCAA team finishes, with 15 league outdoor

crowns, including four since 2009. The women have seven national top-20 team finishes, including one NCAA team championship, with five league titles.

An improved FieldTurf surface was also installed this summer.

"I like what we have to offer now with our facilities and our field," says football coach Jeff McMartin. "We've got some great things going on and this puts us in a good place."



The new PPI Daktronics scoreboard is the largest video display board in the Iowa Conference.

ATHLETICS SEATING PROJECTS

The soccer and baseball fields at Central College's A.N. Kuyper Athletics Complex are getting a facelift with new seating projects underway at both facilities.

The Hillside Seating Project at the soccer field will transform the east side of the playing field, just west of the complex parking lot. About 100 permanent aluminum bucket seats will be installed along with grass and limestone tiers which will allow lawn chair and blanket-style seating. The project is slated for completion in 2014.

Fundraising continues for a future construction phase which will provide for a spectator plaza with a concession stand, covered seating, field lighting and restrooms. Cost for the entire project is estimated at \$1.2 million.

"I want to thank the administration as well as the parents and alumni who have already contributed," says men's soccer coach Garry Laidlaw. "We're very fortunate to have one of the best soccer fields around and this puts a topper on a fantastic existing facility."

Meanwhile at the Dutch baseball field, the Step Up to the Plate Project has kicked off with the construction of new dugouts. Backstop netting is being installed and the old dugouts have been demolished.

New dugouts will be ready for the spring season for the Dutch, who captured the 2012 Iowa Conference championship. Construction will also include stadium seating behind home plate. The project cost for this phase is estimated at \$157,000.

"These are donor-initiated and supported projects," says athletics director Eric Van Kley. "No college funds are being used. We are extremely grateful to have donors who are so committed to serving our student-athletes."

Both projects have a seat naming opportunity. For \$1,000, permanent seats can be engraved as gifts in honor of players, family members or coaches. Fundraising is continuing and giving information for both projects is available at www.central.edu/alumni/ways-to-give/where-to-give.

JOHN DEERE FACILITIES EQUIPMENT

Thanks to support and generosity from John Deere and Central College board of trustee member Jim Israel, president of the Worldwide Financial Services Division of Deere & Company, John Deere has donated new equipment to the facilities planning and management team.

John Deere has provided a ProGator and front mount mower and attachments. The generosity of John Deere has provided essential upgrades to the facilities planning and management fleet as well as enhanced the work of the facilities staff members.

"We could not be more grateful to John Deere for this generous gift," says Bill Northup, vice president for advancement. "Our grounds needs are like those of any sizable college campus, many and wide-ranging. So it is essential that we have the best possible equipment to get the job done, and we feel very fortunate to have the quality of John Deere to help keep our campus looking its best."



Thanks to John Deere and Central board of trustee member Jim Israel, the facilities planning and management team have new equipment.

Transforming MAYTAG

BY: CINDY DEPPE

This is not your mother's Maytag.

When the 2014-15 academic year opens, the '90s-era Maytag Student Center will have had more than a facelift and tummy tuck; the current pass-through space from mailbox to Central Market will be transformed into a gathering hub of campus activity for today's students from around the region and the globe.

"What I've observed," says President Mark Putnam, "is that Central has not had an obvious place to gather. Maytag is a notion of what was, not what is important now. Students go elsewhere to meet so all of this square footage is not being used. We envision Maytag as a place where people will naturally gather for learning and programming experiences.

This renovation is in every way addressing the most fundamental basis of Central:

- Central is a family—it's something deeper here.
- There has to be a place for the family to gather, for the community to gather and be together.
- There has to be a place to promote wellness and to push ideas around.
- There has to be a place to interact and understand the human experience."

Results from two student surveys conducted last year confirm Putnam's observations and have played a significant role in the building planning process. Student Senate, led by Miranda Wehde '14, is following up on the survey results, going into residence halls and seeking input from students about items that will

matter as the building evolves. "The emphasis is on the students and making it a hub for students. We're really excited about senior leadership's interest in students' opinions and creating space that people will use," Wehde says.

"The building plans are creating a lot of energy," Wehde continues. "In the meantime, we are creating systems for collaboration that the space will eventually facilitate. We want to be ready when the building is ready."

Vice President for Student Development Peggy Fitch also conveyed enthusiasm for having space "for interaction and gathering together, and space that will accommodate well the importance of integration in and out of classroom.

"These changes get right at the heart of our mission to provide opportunities for students to develop and grow in many different ways," Fitch says, pointing, for example, to plans for new performance and film spaces aligned with study areas and group meeting rooms.

"We hope this space will broadly serve students' overall well-being—emotionally, physically, psychologically, spiritually."

Both Putnam and Fitch emphasize that the building's focus is on wellness and well-being as part of student development and creating a campus culture.

"This is not about amenities. This is about our mission of body, mind and spirit," Putnam says. "We expect student development to be the point of integration and alignment with the curriculum, and we expect Maytag to be a venue where learning can co-exist with human interaction, where conversations are advanced, where student groups can promote programs."

SPACE MATTERS

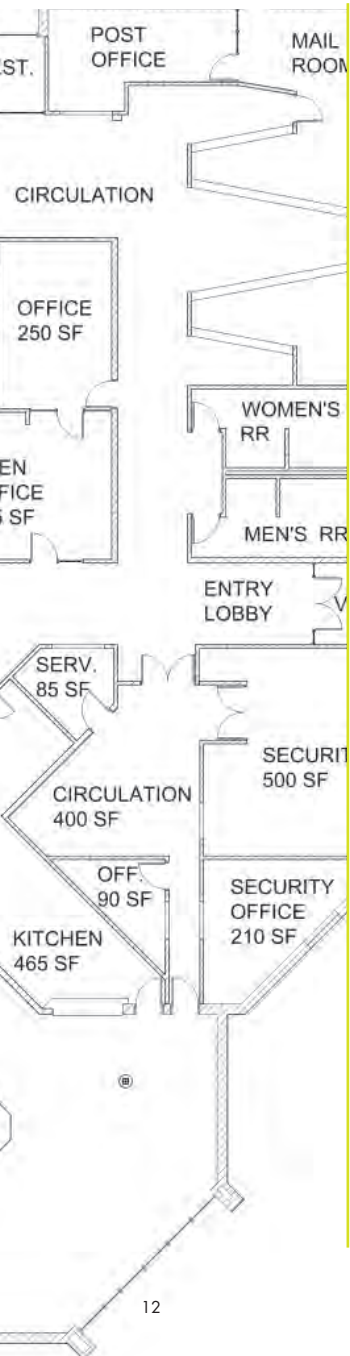
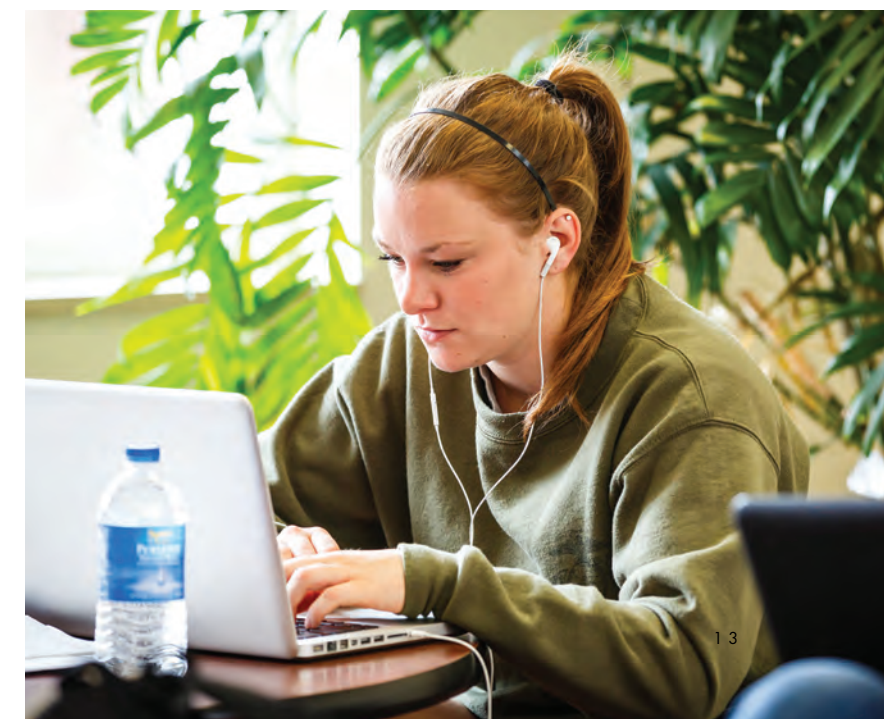
From practical to philosophical, Putnam offers perspectives from his years of consulting on other campuses. "Physical space can have an impact on education. The vitality and life of a campus is informed by how well campuses are designed," he says. "All building planning is highly contextual. We watch how people organize themselves and the resulting energy and dynamics."

For Wehde, student body president and history major from Tipton, Iowa, the open access and new fitness facilities on the east side of campus are the most significant changes for students. "It's very important that this will be a separate 24/7 facility and within walking distance of nearby residence halls," Wehde says. "Students can go work out while studying late at night or after night classes. We expect that students who wouldn't ordinarily come to Maytag will participate. All student offices will work together to create big events and entertainment options with very intentional plans."

A PEEK INSIDE

The planned changes to address student interests, needs and lifestyles will repurpose under-utilized areas for greater efficiency and appeal.

- Starting in the lower level, a spacious wellness center for students, faculty and staff will be a convenient east campus alternative to the west-side facilities in the A.N. Kuyper Athletics Complex. The new fitness area will include cardio- and cross-training equipment as well as room for yoga, dance and fitness classes. From the student perspective, Wehde says this is "the most significant change. Many students don't feel comfortable at Kuyper (Athletics Complex) because it's a very intense



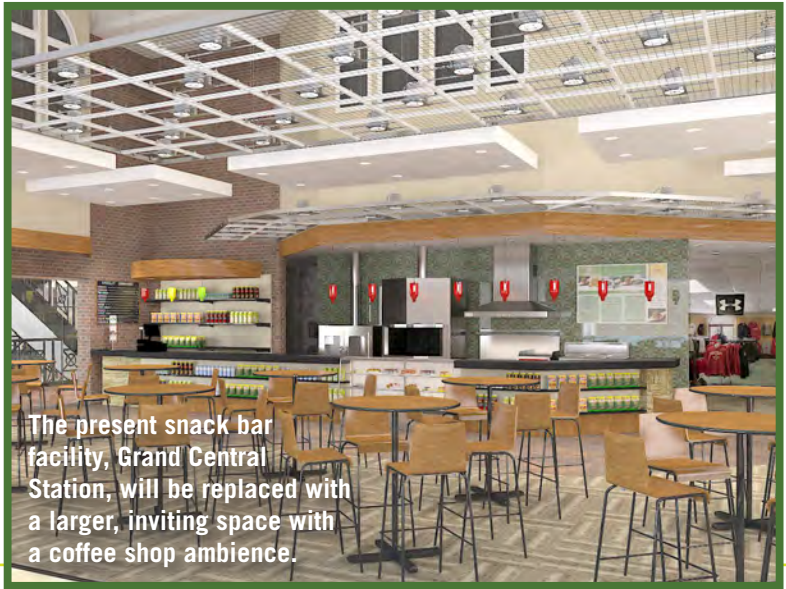


The main level of the center will feature an expanded commons, anchored by a large, stone fireplace.

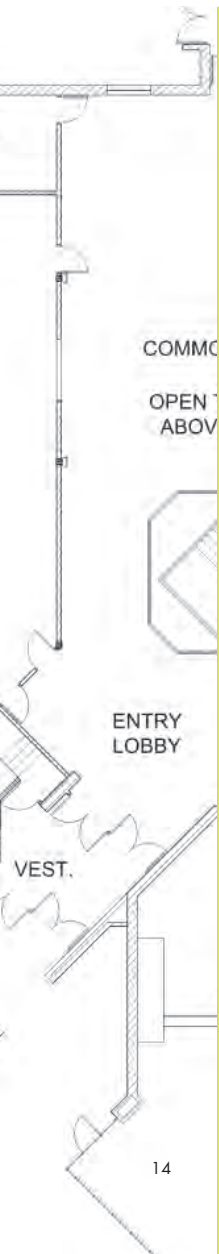


“We feel an obligation to ensure that the Maytag Student Center continues to serve the Central students of tomorrow as well as it has served the students of the past quarter-century.”

Fritz Maytag



The present snack bar facility, Grand Central Station, will be replaced with a larger, inviting space with a coffee shop ambience.



athletic focus, as it should be. This can create awkwardness for students who just want to go there to work on the elliptical while reading Foundations of Politics.”

- Most Maytag Center traffic enters and exits through a vestibule on the northwest side of the building. Congestion often results from traffic to and from the adjacent Central Market dining facility so the Maytag entryway will be enlarged and made more welcoming. Putnam notes that the project’s architect observed that Central was “the only campus that they knew of where dining and the student center are separate” so renovation plans will create a connection between Central Market and the student center.
- The main level of Maytag will feature an expanded commons, anchored by a large, stone fireplace and performance stage. The current compartmentalized areas will be opened to reflect how students socialize and study. This reflects, Wehde says, how students are “used to getting things done right away, without separate compartments. You can be connected to food and entertainment, all right here.”
- Grand Central Station will reopen with a coffee shop ambience, featuring lower dividing walls and inviting spaces, that Fitch calls “a physical analog to ‘breaking down walls’ and the way students communicate today.” The transformation to a café-style healthy eating option also integrates nicely

with the nearby wellness center, and Wehde says she expects the new café to make use of the campus urban gardens for herbs and vegetables.

- The bookstore, currently inside the west entrance, will be converted into a more retail-oriented area that will share point-of-purchase space with the coffee shop. The “redesign moves us along to the new millennium and how students order books online,” Fitch says. A kiosk for placing orders is a potential addition.
- Conference rooms from the upper level will be moved into the space currently occupied by the bookstore. The rooms named for J. Gilbert (Gil) Boat, Margaret Moore and Shirely Weller will provide convenient access for groups and visitors conducting meetings in the flexible space.
- Offices for the student development division (with the exception of the Health Center) will be housed together in collaborative and accessible space on third floor, which Fitch says will be an advantage for “communication and enhanced personal connections between students, class deans and directors.”
- Offices for student organizations such as Campus Activities Board, Greek Life and Student Senate will also be located on the upper level, which Fitch and Wehde both welcome. “It’s very exciting to think about administrators and students working side-by-side, with groups having more accessible office hours and members of student leadership available at all times,” Wehde says.

- Sustainability is an encompassing theme throughout all of the proposed changes, Wehde reminds. “Central made a promise to be carbon neutral and while we have a long way to go, we are going to try to be LEED Silver certified with the Maytag Center. I am passionate about sustainability so to learn that is our goal is very exciting. To make the new Maytag Student Center sustainable and eco-friendly is an admirable and attainable goal.”

THANKS TO THE FAMILY

This dramatic transformation is possible thanks to a generous \$2.75 million gift from the Fred Maytag Family Foundation, also the major benefactor to the original center. The Foundation’s most recent gift is among the largest single donations in the college’s history.

The Maytag Student Center was named for Fred Maytag II, grandson of F.L. Maytag who founded the Maytag Company in Newton in 1889. Fred Maytag was president of the company from 1940-62, an Iowa entrepreneur and public servant who created the Fred Maytag Family Foundation. His sons, Fritz and Ken Maytag, directors of the foundation, participated in campus discussions about facility plans.

“We feel an obligation to ensure that the Maytag Student Center continues to serve the Central students

of tomorrow as well as it has served the students of the past quarter-century,” says Fritz Maytag. “We were genuinely impressed and energized by our recent visit to Central and the vision presented of what this building could become.”

Ken Maytag reflected on the family’s roots and commitment to quality and service, saying, “We are blessed to have this opportunity to help Central prepare the citizens of tomorrow.”

“As we look forward to the 25th anniversary of this building, we deeply value the partnership that has existed with the Fred Maytag Family Foundation over these years,” Putnam says. “The foundation’s continued commitment to creating opportunities for students to have a transformative educational experience is inspiring to all of us. We are profoundly appreciative of this very generous gift.”

Wehde adds appreciation on behalf of the student body, observing, “Senior Leadership has students in mind with all of this gift, which shows that others believe in us. Students in general are so grateful for this very substantial gift and the generosity of the Fred Maytag Family Foundation.”

A rededication of the facility is expected next fall when Maytag family members can return to campus to enjoy the namesake center.





ALUMNI

Class Reunions

2013 HOMECOMING FAMILY WEEKEND

First row (left to right): Karen Bast Bartell, Crystal Ramsey Walvoord, Jean Navis Tenpas, Elsie Kamphuis Claypool, Marilyn Walraven, Nancy Wilson Slykhuis, Shari Lokhorst Wissink
Second row: Gene Bartell, Lori Jansma Jensen, Joyce Elzinga Kolenbrander, Kay Kuyper De Cook, Nyla Rozeboom Heerema, Alda Pippel Muyskens
Third row: Mary Rutter Hulleman, Jean Van Zomeren Argo, Jeanette Sieperda Skypeck, Sandy Miersma Igo, Jack Gosselink, Catherine Hibma Ratmeyer, Janice Kooiker Gegenheimer
Fourth row: Charles Argo, Craig Chilton '65, Mark De Cook, Bob Slykhuis, Ed Rathmell
Fifth row: Larry Braskamp, Paul Aykens, Don Dahm
Sixth row: Bob Blean, Lee Gegenheimer, Larry Kappers



CLASS OF 1958



CLASS OF 2013

First row (left to right): Summer Wendt, Dani Aldridge, Megan Overton
Second row: Cory Keller, Clint Foster, David Bouska, Mitch Foster



CLASS OF 2008

First row (left to right): Maria Hickie Rohach, Elizabeth Davis Vedepo, Lyndi Beeman Reed
Second row: Taryn Krug Shropshire, Lindsay Kelderhouse, Brian Langstraat, Amanda Zook
Third row: Sam Winebrenner Jones, Trevor Jones



CLASS OF 2003

First row (left to right): Jenny Kubichek, Stacy Jahnke Bacon, Kristen Rohach Harris, Amber Turner Schenck, Jill Figgins
Second row: Megan McDowell Nelson, Bertina Crook Barclay, Andrea Enyart Dana, Sarah Langford
Third row: Karen Broman, Gary Christensen

CLASS OF 1993



First row (left to right): Mary Jo Robinson Cook, Anna Kuhn Pearson, Blake Jessen, Brian Fritz, Joe Bock
Second row: Laura Bach Olson, Brad Van Horn, Mike Van Voorst, Phil Kacmarynski
Third row: Amy Fox Berarducci, Jackie Haar Kueker, Michele Leydens Bechtel

CLASS OF 1988



First row (left to right): Susan Healy, Kellie Gorsche Markey, Sara Meyer Phillips, Lori Bush Whitsitt, Daniel Glover
Second row: Teresa McConnell, Karen Vander Hart Ryals, Sheila Pyle Sargent
Third row: Shelley Stutts Maynard, Beth Kelly Stout, John Sides, Jan York Matheus
Fourth row: Alicia Arthaud Borman, Jane Broek Kramer, Sheri Timmer Roslien, Greg May, Scott Gire
Fifth row: Macy Ferguson James, Michelle Dunakey Klein, Chris Gorsh Hester, Shawn Pearson Helle

CLASS OF 1983



First row (left to right): Linda Ballou, Claudia Shinn Jordan, Joleen Steenhoek Opsal, Jean Schaefer Gallina, Peggy Johnson Van Den Berg, Dan Asmus
Second row: Erin Dennison Hefner, Steve Sikkink, Heidi Timmer Van Hemert
Third row: Linda Sanders Alexander, Bill Northup, Michelle Sheehy Dillon



CLASS OF 1978

First row (left to right): Diane Jaarsma Holm, Patty Joy Price, Sherill Whisenand, Sue Kasal Stinson, Joan Barker
Second row: Dana Baughman Chapman, Anne Johnson Edmiston, Barb Hoekstra Brondyke
Third row: Greg Bigbee, Vince Vanderhaar, Greg McCulla, Ilene York Kretsch, Rose Herrmann Wudtke



CLASS OF 1973

First row (left to right): Wayne Stienstra, Linda Midunsky Stienstra, Kathy Tanke Fisch, Barbara Gensinger Reddish, Jack Schlesselman
Second row: Nancy Williams Stover, Peggy Veteto Waide
Third row: Harry Smith, Cindy Grootveld Loomans, Norm Northup, Ruth Westra, Kathy Schaefer Logsdon, Kim Evers Spreacker
Fourth row: Bruce Scholtens, Byron Loomans, Howard Downs, Bob Snyder, Pat Hahn, Steve Klimstra



CLASS OF 1963

First row (left to right): Bonnie Kuyper Simmons, Marjorie De Wit Warner, Elaine Nagel Jaarsma, Glenys Nederhoff Thies, Joan Walraven Glassman
Second row: Doran Simmons, Howard Den Hartog, Roger Bruggink, Ken Keuning
Third row: Ray Breed, Wayne Koele, John Vruwink



1993 WOMENS BASKETBALL TEAM

First row (left to right): Christy York Meggison '96, Sheila Grebert '94, Jayna Blom Gossling '93, Tiffanie Corey Saak '93
Second row: Emilie Hanson Brown '95, Gary Boeynink '59, Beth Warner, Tracy Wilson Calvert '93, Chris Rogers Healy '93

2012-13 FINANCIAL REPORT

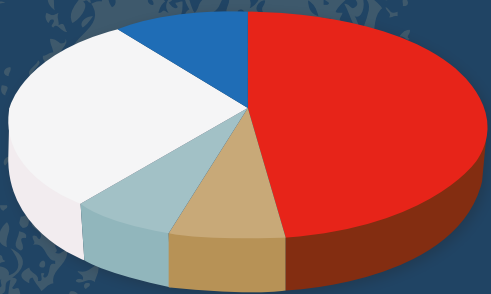
Thanks to donor support throughout the years, Central has been able to provide students with a quality education that prepares them for life after college. For the 2012-13 fiscal year, the Journey Scholarship Fund surpassed its goal of \$1.4 million with the help of two anonymous alumni who provided a \$50,000 matching gift. The Journey Scholarship helps countless students afford their Central education, and for the 2013-14 fiscal year, the advancement team has raised its fundraising goal 7.1 percent to \$1.5 million in hopes of benefitting more students.

“The need for scholarships never goes down,” says Bill Northup, vice president for advancement. “Our need is always growing, and we couldn’t be more grateful to our donors from previous years.”

Overall giving is up 24 percent this year, however, Northup emphasizes that much more is needed to reach the final goal.

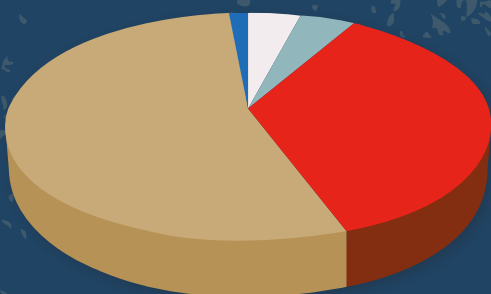
“It’s great to see that our donors are supporting Central in bigger ways this year,” he says. “We increased our goal because we want to help more students realize their dream of a Central education. Without your support, we couldn’t make those dreams a reality.”

Every gift matters. Learn about ways you can support the college at www.central.edu/alumni/ways-to-give.



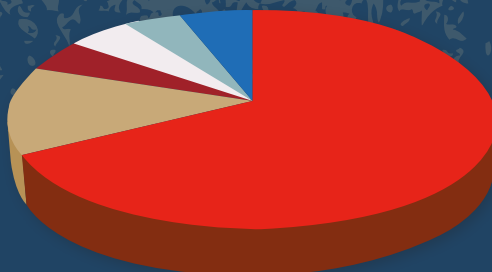
REVENUE

Tuition and fees, net	\$21,977,290
Endowment	\$3,400,000
Contributions	\$2,763,425
Auxiliary enterprises	\$14,756,855
Other	\$5,315,556
Total	\$48,213,126



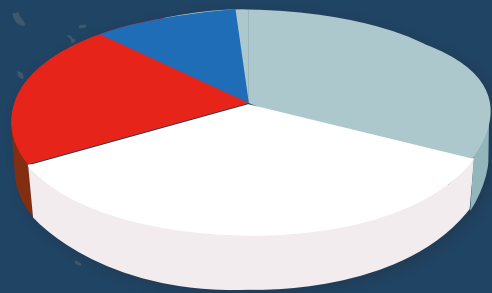
ASSETS

Cash	\$9,012,766
Receivables	\$5,517,603
Investments	\$72,003,405
Property and equipment, net	\$88,200,194
Other	\$7,888,042
Total	\$182,622,010



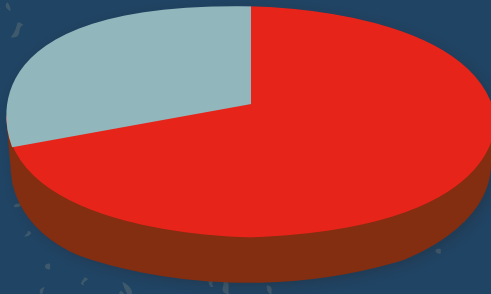
GIVING BY SOURCES

Alumni	\$1,611,515
Friends	\$473,241
Corporations	\$734,968
Foundations	\$995,983
Associations/churches	\$149,071
Non-alumni parents	\$206,835
Total	\$4,171,613



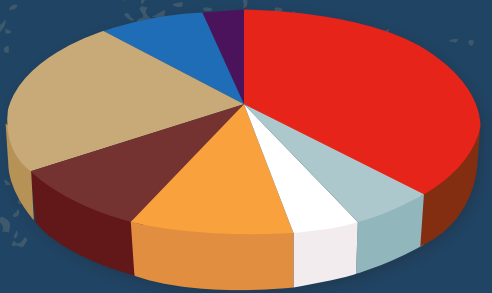
GIVING BY DESIGNATION

Capital purposes	\$1,186,408
Endowment	\$946,410
Annual support	\$1,448,238
Other restricted annual gifts	\$590,557
Total	\$4,171,613



SCHOLARSHIP GIVING

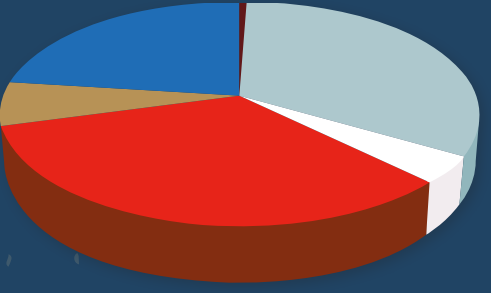
Endowment	\$666,495
Journey Scholarship	\$1,448,238
Total	\$2,114,733



EXPENDITURES

Instruction	\$17,773,657
Academic support	\$2,564,734
Institutional support	\$1,916,969
Student services	\$4,584,465
Administration and general	\$3,169,605
Auxiliary enterprises	\$10,722,373
Student activities	\$3,896,774
Other	\$1,279,826
Total	\$45,908,403

Change in unrestricted net assets from operating activities.....\$2,304,723



LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	\$843,229
Notes and bonds payable	\$61,050,000
Other	\$6,552,954
Total	\$68,446,183

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	\$60,935,655
Temporarily restricted	\$8,665,299
Permanently restricted	\$44,574,873
Total	\$114,175,827
Total	\$182,622,010



ALUMNI AWARD WINNERS

In conjunction with 2013 Homecoming/Family Weekend, Central College presented alumni awards and an honorary alumni award to two graduates and a longtime staff member with illustrious careers and legacies of service. The winners were honored on Sept. 28 as part of homecoming weekend.

BETH HEIDEMAN CHRISTMAN '77

Co-founder and managing partner in a Wilmington, Del. law firm, Casarino, Christman, Shalk, Ransom & Doss, Beth Heideman Christman '77, is one of this year's alumni award winners.

Christman earned her degree in political science from Central and received magna cum laude honors. She participated on the track team and was a member of the French Club.

After graduating from Central, Christman attended George Washington University (D.C.) and earned a Juris Doctorate degree in 1980. She worked as an attorney for Seymore Chase and Tybout, Redfean, Casarino & Pell before becoming a managing partner for Casarino, Christman & Shalk in 1982.

Her practice has concentrated on civil litigation, defense matters and acting as local counsel in the Superior Court for Delaware as well as the United States District Court for the District of Delaware.

She is an associate with the American Board of Trial Advocates. She is also a member of the Defense Counsel of Delaware, the Defense Research Institute and an associate member of the Delaware Trial Lawyers Association. Christman has served as a member of the Delaware Superior Court Civil Rules Committee. She has spoken at many seminars regarding trial practice and worker's compensation.

Christman was inducted as a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers in October 2009, an organization that comprises the best of the trial bar in the United States and Canada and is the premier professional trial association in America. She was admitted to the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court in 1992.

Christman is a second-generation Central graduate. Her father, Dr. Gene Heideman '51, mother, Mary Menninga Heideman '52 and brother, Dr. Paul Heideman '79, all attended Central. She and her husband, Mark, have two children, Tim and Margaret. Christman lives in Wilmington, Del.

TOM EPPERLY

Tom Epperly is a well-known face around Central's campus. After spending many years as a coach and career services director, Epperly is this year's honorary alumnus.

Epperly graduated from the University of Dubuque in

1961, majoring in biology and physical education. He did graduate work in biology at Eastern Illinois University in 1976 and the University of Alabama in 1978.

Epperly started his career in athletics in 1963, serving as teacher, head football and track coach at Hubbard High School and later at Eddyville High School. In 1979, he became an assistant football coach at William Penn University, while continuing to teach at Eddyville.

He started at Central in 1982 as a volunteer assistant football coach. He then became an assistant men's track and field coach before serving as head coach from 1986-90. He joined the Central staff on a full-time basis as placement director of Career Services and continued as an assistant football coach men's track and field. He took over as head coach in 1986. He remained as assistant football coach and placement director until retiring in 1996.

In 1984, Epperly was named to the Iowa Association of Track Coaches Hall of Fame. He began officiating track in 1991 and has worked the Drake Relays, the Big 12 and Big 10 Conference Indoor Championships, the Iowa Conference Championships, Iowa boys' and girls' state high school meets, and the NCAA Division I cross country

that Central can turn students into leaders by providing them a balanced education.

He and his wife, Liz, have two children who graduated from Central, Kelli Szondy '86 and Christine Ieuter '91. Epperly has four grandchildren. He and Liz live in Pella.

BRUCE ANDERSON '70

Bruce Anderson '70 remembers the struggles he had student teaching and wanted to do something to help. One of this year's alumni award winners, Anderson set up the Susan Berical Anderson Education Scholarship to honor his late first wife, Susan '70.

Both Anderson and Susan spent their careers teaching in the Des Moines Public Schools. His ongoing gift was set up to benefit students and mentors in the Central Teacher Academy (CTA).

Anderson has fond memories of being involved at Central with football, intramurals, acting as social chairman of the Psychology Club, and holding the office of Senior Class President. He also studied abroad through Central's Yucatán program.

After graduating with a degree in psychology from Central,



BETH HEIDEMAN CHRISTMAN '77 | TOM EPPERLY | BRUCE, BETH AND TOM AT THE HOMECOMING GAME | BRUCE ANDERSON '70

championship and Division III outdoor track and field meet. After retirement Epperly provided occasional work as a recruiter for Pella Corporation and for the past nine years, Epperly has served as an assistant coach for the Pella Christian High School football team. He remains an active community volunteer and has served on the consistory of Second Reformed Church in Pella.

Epperly has made Central his home, serving as a mentor to countless students and graduates and promoting the college at sporting events all over the state, with the belief

Anderson received a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling at the University of Iowa in 1972. He spent 30 years in the National Guard, first as a Company Commander. Later, he was promoted to Major, and, finally, to Colonel.

He is a member of Central's Cornerstone Society and enjoys RAGBRAI, jogging, golf and traveling.

Anderson has two children, Benjamin and Melissa, and two grandchildren. He and his wife, Bev, live in West Des Moines.

WINTER

ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Need a break from the cold winter? Numerous athletics and fine arts events and other activities are always going on at Central. Join Central's campus in a host of activities aimed at prospective and current students, friends and alumni.



DECEMBER

- Dec. 4** Student-directed One Acts, Kruidenier Center, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 5** Wrestling v. Knox (Ill.), P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 6:30 a.m.
- Dec. 5** Wrestling v. Augustana (Ill.), P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 8 p.m.
- Dec. 6** Combos Christmas Concert, Cox-Snow Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- Dec. 7** Pans Caribbean Christmas, Harry and Bernice Vermeer Banquet Hall, Graham Conference Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Dec. 11** Women's basketball v. William Penn, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 13-14** Christmas Candlelight Concert, Douwstra Auditorium, 8 p.m.

JANUARY

- Jan. 8** Women's/men's basketball v. Luther, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 6 and 8 p.m.
- Jan. 11** Wrestling Central Invitational, H.S. Kuyper Fieldhouse, 9 a.m.
- Jan. 11** Women's/men's basketball v. Dubuque, P. H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 2 and 4 p.m.
- Jan. 16** Wrestling v. Loras, P. H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 7 p.m.
- Jan. 22** Women's/men's basketball v. Simpson, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 6 and 8 p.m.

- Jan. 29** Women's/men's basketball v. Coe, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 6 and 8 p.m.
- Jan. 30** Bandfest, Douwstra Auditorium, 7 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 1** Scholar Day, 8:30 a.m.
- Feb. 1** Women's/men's basketball v. Loras, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 2 and 4 p.m.
- Feb. 6** Wrestling v. Simpson, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium 7 p.m.
- Feb. 8** Scholar Day, 8:30 a.m.
- Feb. 12** Women's/men's basketball v. Buena Vista, P.H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 6 and 8 p.m.
- Feb. 13** Singfest, Douwstra Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 15** Scholar Day, 8:30 a.m.
- Feb. 20** Stringfest, Douwstra Auditorium, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 22** Women's/men's basketball v. Wartburg, P. H. Kuyper Gymnasium, 2 and 4 p.m.
- Feb. 23** Choral Evensong, The Cathedral Church of St. Paul's, Des Moines, 4 p.m.
- Feb. 26-Mar. 1** "The Ice Fishing Play", Kruidenier Center, 7:30 p.m.

For a full list of activities, visit calendar.central.edu.

2013 HOMECOMING & family weekend

Photos by Dan Vander Beek

Central celebrated Homecoming and Family Weekend Sept. 27-29.

Highlights from the weekend include a 31-6 football victory over Albion (Mich.), the traditional Lemming Race and the coronation of King Ricky Boyle of Perry, Iowa, and Queen Megan Sloss of Guthrie Center, Iowa, at the street party and pep rally.



The 2013 Central Homecoming Court is nominated by the senior class. First row (left to right): Hilary Beard, Alayna Bailey, Carly Strabucker, Natalie Mason and Queen Megan Sloss. Second row: Colin Shawgo, King Ricky Boyle, Tanner Price, Kyle Maynard and Nolan Blythe.



Harry Smith '73, news reporter for NBC, meets with students in the Central Market



Defensive back Jacob Tune '15 and the Dutch put the wraps on Albion (Mich.) in a 31-6 homecoming triumph.



Amanda Mast '15, Emily Friedrichs '15, Hannah Drost '15, Shivani Kharbanda '13 and Amanda Dunkin '14 dressed up as 101 Dalmatians for the annual Lemming Race, a homecoming tradition.



Ann Vander Streek Summitt '77, Alex Waide, Thom Summitt '74 and Bill Rollins '74 reminisce over Central yearbooks.

ALUMNI NEWSNOTES

THE '50S

Mel DeVries '50 worked five years on his family's Nebraska farm after high school graduation before enrolling at Central College in 1946 and moving on to Western Seminary. After 60 years of continual pastoring in the RCA, Mel retired June 3. The date of his retirement coincides with the anniversary of when he and **John Hesselink '50** received their certificate for licensure to preach. During his ministry, two new churches were founded. After the last stint of his full-time pastorate in Tinley Park, Ill., Mel spent the last 23 years as minister of evangelism and outreach and minister of congregational care. He concluded the last 10 years with the congregation of First Reformed Church in South Holland where he lives with wife Bette.

Leonard Kalkwarf '50 is an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America

and author of two children's religious textbooks, a Maundy Thursday drama as well as published articles in religious periodicals. His new book "Dear Craig," published by WestBow Press, brings biblical figures to life, giving them modern personalities to relate to a modern audience. Leonard and wife Beverly live in Springfield, Va.

Thomas Kemppainen '59 and wife **Dee Davis Kemppainen '62** of Sussex, Wis., were on vacation in Galena, Ill., in July when they stopped to say congratulations to fellow alumni, **Tom Robbins '91**, on his new position. Tom was appointed special assistant to the president and executive director of the Fine Arts and Campus Center in August 2012. They have known Tom since he was director of the Schauer Theatre in Heartland, Wis. Pictured (left to right): **Tom Robbins '91**, **Tom Kemppainen '59** and **Dee Davis Kemppainen '62**.



ALUMS MEET UP

Alumni are invited to submit Newsnotes online. We want to hear about recent promotions, degrees, honors, relocations, marriages and births to keep classmates and friends informed about important changes in your life. Update information online at civitas.central.edu or email alumni@central.edu. News items also are welcome by phone, 800-447-0287 or 641-628-5154. Or send a note to Central College Alumni Office, 812 University, Campus Box 5200, Pella, IA 50219.





50TH CLASS REUNION IN COLORADO

Joanne Van Soest Albright '63 reunited for a 50th class reunion with several of her classmates this summer in Colorado. During their reunion, the classmates spent part of a day at the Pioneer Museum's What if Festival and posed for a photograph wearing period costumes. This photograph was later featured on the museum's Facebook page. Front row (left to right): Alda Pippel Muyskens '63 of Douglaston, N.Y., Mary Sikkink Furda '63, of Colorado Springs, Colo., Nancy Wilson Slykhuis '63 of Perrysburg, Ohio. Back row: Joann Van Soest Albright '63, of Colorado Springs, Colo., Eileen Prinsen '63 of Denver, Colo., Lori Van Roekel Chapman '63 of Keswick, Va.

THE '60S

Lesley Diehl '65 of Morris, N.Y., signed a contract with Camel Press for a three book deal. The first in the Consignment Shop series, "A Secondhand Murder," will be released in October.

Jane Ainsworth Knight '68 presented a paper at the annual meeting of the American Meteorological Society on how hurricanes affect the electric load in the southeastern United States. Although a senior economist at TESLA Inc. by profession, Jane uses vast amounts of weather data in her work forecasting the demand for energy and is a member of the American Meteorological Society. Jane and husband Robert Knight '68 live in Burk, Va. Robert is a research analyst with the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C.

Gregory Christiano '69 began writing late in his career, which was given a jump start when he won the coveted Netty and Carl Halpern Memorial Award for best narrative in the fall 2002 issue of the Bronx County Historical Society Journal. Since then,

Gregory has authored books on poetry, short stories and his memoir about coming of age in Brooklyn. His recent work published by PublishAmerican, "Baseball in the Bronx, Before the Yankees," is available on Amazon. Gregory and wife Kathleen live in Hopatcong, N.J.

Donald Patty '69 is the assistant dean for finance and business at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, where he lives with wife Tracy.

THE '70S

Laura Hassell Fedorczyk '70 and husband John live in Middleton, N.H. Laura retired on June 20 as librarian at Alton Central School. She is looking forward to enjoying her retirement in North Carolina.

Gretchen Damsteegt Kirchner '70 became a part-time tutor at Midwest Academy after she retired from Keokuk Community Schools in Keokuk, Iowa. Gretchen and husband Gary live in Kahoka, Mo., where they are enjoying their retirement and doing a lot of traveling.

Robert "Oss" Snyder '73 is the

superintendent of recreation and parks for the town of New Castle, N.Y. Robert and wife, Susan, live in Hawthorne.

Randy Gunter '74 retired from Savannah State University in December 2008 as vice president for student affairs. Randy and wife, Ann Harris-Gunter, live in Statesboro, Ga., where they are enjoying retirement by working in their local church and community, traveling and spending time with their granddaughter.

Susan Winter Duncan '75 is senior systems engineer at Sierra Nevada Corp., in Sparks. Susan and husband, Ron, live in Reno.

Terry Atkinson '77 retired in June after teaching theatre, drama and English for 30 years at Mayfair Middle/High School in Lakewood, Calif., to grades 7-12.

Lori Boyd Soppe '78 is an independent consultant working with Strategy Meets Action as a marketing director. Lori and husband Roger live in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, with their two children.

Sherill Whisenand '78 was named co-chairwoman of the Polk County Republican Central Committee. Sherill lives in Des Moines, where she is the collegiate enrollment representative with Apollo Group Inc.

Mark Baumann '79 and wife Marcia Edwards Baumann '82 took solace in their daughter marrying a fellow Wartburg grad when Rick Burns '82 performed the ceremony. Also on hand to help the family celebrate the occasion was Paul Steenhoek '73 and Sheryl Van Dyke Steenhoek '82. Mark and Marcia live in Marion, Iowa, where Marcia is the assistant vice president of consumer loans at Farmers State Bank. Mark is the principal organist at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids.

THE '80S

For information about Marcia Edwards Baumann '82, Sheryl Van Dyke Steenhoek '82 and Rick Burns '82 , see the '70s.

Deb Benton Gevock '80 retired after 33 years of teaching English at St. Ansgar, Winterset, Bridgewater-Fontanelle, Jefferson and Prairie Valley Community Schools. Deb is looking forward to traveling with husband Kenny, a retired air traffic controller. They spend their summers in Alaska enjoying the cooler air and riding bicycles.

Nancy Spargo '81 of St. Louis, Mo., is the executive director and co-founder of St. Louis Center for Family Development, which provides trauma-informed mental health services to underserved populations. She is also an adjunct faculty member at the Brown School of Social Work at Washington



Jann Freed '77, professor emerita of business management, recently published "Leading with Wisdom," a book filled with insights from renowned leaders from around the world.

Freed started research for this publication in 2004, interviewing more than 100 respected leaders including Warren Bennis, Peter Block, Stephen Covey, Marshall Goldsmith, Peter Senge and Margaret Wheatley. Advice from the leaders is presented and integrated into practical applications and each chapter details ways to weave sage advice into workshops and personal development.

"Leading with Wisdom" is beneficial for those in a position of influence in an organization and those tasked with leadership development. The book can help leaders seeking guidance for integrating the best of themselves and their lives into the tasks and roles of their position or readers looking for a roadmap to behaviors that nurture others.

"I call this my 'eat, pray, love' book on leadership because whatever I was learning I would integrate into my life," she says. "The leadership lessons set me on a journey that has changed my life. Maybe reading it will change yours, too!"

University and the executive director at Word Made Flesh.

Claudia Shinn Jordan '83 is a systems analyst at Korn/Ferry International in Minneapolis, Minn., where she lives with husband Rick.

Connie Bolda Kroeze '83 teaches music at West Burlington Elementary School in West Burlington, Iowa, traveling from her home in Pella to West Burlington for the week and returning to Pella, where she lives with husband Jerry.

Richard Strabala '83 and Monica Gubrud of San Mateo, Calif., were married March 28. Rich is a business development manager at Cisco Systems in San Jose, Calif.

Laura Hahn Hanna '85 accepted a position in the activity department at Hilltop Care Center. Laura and husband Dale live in Milford, Iowa, where she stays active playing trumpet in area bands and orchestras.

Lance Newbold '85 was promoted to director of veteran services and academic advisement at Rose State College in Oklahoma City, Okla. Lance and wife Margell live in Edmond with their two sons.

Boyd Burnham '89 is an associate analyst at EMC Insurance Companies in Des Moines. Boyd and wife Lisa live in Altoona with their two children.

Alan Law '89 is senior captain at Principal Financial Group in Des Moines. Alan and wife Chris live in Newton.

THE '90S

For information about Tom Robbins '91, see the '50s.

Kris Van Vark DeWild '90 is an adjunct professor of music at Central College. In May, she traveled with the A Cappella Choir to Brazil, accompanying the choir on organ and harp and participating in the Rio

International Harp Festival. In addition to her work at the college, Kris teaches music at Pella Christian Grade School and serves as organist and choir director at Second Reformed Church in Pella, where she lives with husband Dale.

Pip Fisher '92 is a technical project coordinator at Wells Fargo in West Des Moines. Pip and wife Carol live in Madrid with their son.

Jason Henderson '94, a Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City vice president who leads the bank's agricultural and rural outreach and research programs, has been appointed associate dean of the Purdue University College of Agriculture and director of Purdue Extension in West Lafayette, Ind. Jason, who earned his master's and doctoral degrees in agricultural economics from Purdue and served on the College of Agriculture Dean's Advisory Council, began his new role in May. Jason and wife Angela Striegel Henderson '96 are the parents of three children.

Anna Jensen '94 was named associate director of Ohio University's small business incubator, the Innovation Center. Anna and husband Packy Moran live in Athens. Anna is working toward a master's degree in sports administration and facility management from Ohio University and is an active member of the community, serving on the board of Ohio Valley Summer Theater and as a Bobcat Club Representative.

Terry Eisenbarth '95 is principal at Pocahontas Catholic School in Pocahontas, Iowa, where he lives with wife Jacque and their three children.

Joy Ashbaugh '97 is a therapist at Tanager Place Mental Health Clinic in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Joy and husband Christopher Wise live in Iowa City with their two children.

Beth Thompson '97 of Kirksville, Mo., is an instructional designer in the school of

health management at A.T. Still University. She is working toward a doctorate in education from Capella University.

Angela Vander Velden Veenstra '97 teaches eighth grade math at Sully Christian School in Sully, Iowa. Angela and husband Darrell Veenstra '95 live in Lynnvile with their two sons. Darrell is an insurance agent at Interstate Insurance Services in Newton.

Chris Forman '98 is the associate sports information director in charge of men's basketball at Purdue University. Chris and wife Elle live in West Lafayette, Ind., with their two children.

Chad Kuhse '98 is manager of revolving credit administration at De Lage Landen in Johnston, Iowa. Chad and wife Jodi live in Dallas Center with their two daughters.

THE '00S

Terri Mooney '01 and Shannon Brown of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were married June 2, 2012. Terri teaches fourth grade at Holy Family Schools.

Nicholas Brougham '02 is an associate director at TSYS. Nicholas and wife Emma live in Phenix City, Ala, with their three children.

Tereasa Shelley '02 owns and operates Fix it Girl on Treasure Coast, Port St. Lucie, Fla., with husband Jo Halstead and their son.

Amy Stanwood '02 is a project manager for information technology services at Des Moines University in Des Moines, where she lives with daughter Chloe.

Nicholas Myers '03 is a marketing supervisor for McDonald's Corporation in Bloomington, Minn.

Jennifer Van Utrecht Groenenboom '03 is an instructional coach for the Oskaloosa Community School District. Jennifer and husband Andrew live in Oskaloosa, Iowa.

Matthew Jens '04 is a financial advisor at Morgan Stanley Wealth Management in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Matthew and wife Kelli live in Ames with their two sons.

Emilie Newbury '04 teaches fourth grade at Des Moines Christian Schools in Urbandale, Iowa. Emilie and husband Mark Reha live in Grimes.

Tasha Jones Cook '05 is the assistant branch manager at USAlliance Federal Credit Union in Napanoch, N.Y. Tasha and husband **Matt Cook '06** live in Grahamsville with their daughter. Matt teaches at Tri-Valley Central High School.

Steve Havemann '05 of Des Moines is pleased to announce his first book, "The Excellent Persuader," co-written with New York Times best-selling author Joe Batten and published by Wipf and Stock, has hit the shelves of bookstores and Amazon and will be released on Kindle before Christmas. Steve is a senior project manager for the Youth Policy Institute of Iowa and has been selected to participate in Leadership Iowa in 2013-14.

Renee Sedlacek '05 is assistant director of community engagement at Drake University in Des Moines.

Kimberly Flaherty '06 of Kansas City, Mo., is a user experience architect at VML.

Scott Westphal '06 is a nephrology fellow at Duke University Hospital in Durham, N.C., where he lives with wife **Whitney Visser Westphal '08** and their son.

Kelsey Zlab Bentzinger '07 teaches first grade for the Des Moines Public Schools. Kelsey and husband **Eric Bentzinger '07** live in Des Moines. Eric is an athletics communications associate at Iowa State University.

Tanner Lawton '07 and Amber Bacon of Jefferson, Iowa, were married Sept. 8, 2012. Tanner is an agronomist at West Central Cooperative in Scranton.

Hilary Springman '07 is an interactive designer at Under Armour in Baltimore, Md.

Danielle Trammell '07 of Davenport, Iowa, is a quality supervisor at Linwood Mining and Minerals.

Traci Dyer '08 is an assistant volleyball coach at Millikin University in Decatur, Ill. Traci and husband Brandon Townsend live in Oak Park.

Erin Heisterkamp '08 and **Marc Vander Velden '00** of Urbandale were married March 16. Erin teaches third grade at Des Moines Christian School and Marc is a physical therapist in West Des Moines.

Allison Klett '08 is the chamber director and coordinator for the city of Sheldon, Iowa. Allison and husband Adam Cooke live in Sanborn.

Stephanie Liebe Liebhart '08 and husband Rob are at the GEMS American Academy in



GLUEN SISTER REUNION

Jill Wesselink Parker '01 and husband **Morgan Parker '00** of Pella hosted a reunion at Central College for Jill's mother and two aunts that included a tour of the campus and photo-opt on the bridge. Pictured (left to right): **Carol Gluen Wesselink '68** of Marion, Iowa, **Lorys Gluen Tichelaar '56** of Rochester, Minn., and **Dianne Gluen Van Gorp '61**. Also along for the tour was Jill's uncle **Dirk Van Gorp '62** who claimed he majored in football during his years as a Central student.

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, where Stephanie teaches Spanish.

Matthew Miller '08 and Andrea Ohrtman of West Des Moines were married April 6. Matthew is a communications/marketing director at Community Housing Initiatives in Des Moines.

Kara Neumann '08 and Mike Mertz of Ankeny, Iowa, were married July 26. Kara teaches sixth grade literacy at Prairie Ridge Middle School in Ankeny.

Marie Bruns '09 and **Jacob Brueck '10** of McKinney, Texas, were married Dec. 28, 2012. Jacob is a physical therapist at Athlete's Performance.

Daniel Krull '09 teaches fifth and sixth grade language arts at Nodaway Valley Community Schools in Fontanelle, Iowa. Daniel and wife Julie live in Indianola.

Melissa Dentlinger Snyder '09 is an

administrative assistant at DuPont Pioneer, where husband **Robert Snyder '09** is a research associate. Melissa and Robert live in Des Moines.

Jared McCarty '09 of Chicago, Ill. experienced a hectic month in July after he racked up almost 6,500 online votes to win the chance to sing the national anthem at the Des Moines Symphony's Yankee Doodle Pops at the July 3 celebration on the state Capitol grounds with an estimated audience of 100,000. On July 25 he became the associate director of graduate admission at Roosevelt University in Chicago, and the member's relations chair for the National Association of Graduate Admission Professionals (NAGAP) Regional Board.

Jen Schooley '09 and Joe Ries of Earlville, Iowa, were married June 29. Jen teaches High School Spanish for the Maquoketa



BAHR AND LAUDERBAUGH WED

Mandy Bahr '05 and Todd Lauderbaugh of Arcadia, Iowa, were married Feb. 23. Mandy teaches sixth through twelfth grade band and seventh and eighth grade choir in the Ar-We-Va Community School District. Pictured front row (left to right): **Mandy Bahr Lauderbaugh '05** and Todd Lauderbaugh. Second row: **Patti Hansen Bekkerus '87**, **Bethany Berkenbosch Thompson '05**, **Stephanie Bahr Super '07**, **Kate Olson Adams '08**, **Betsy Knipfer Frazier '04**, **Grace Luder '05**, **Amy Meyer '11**, **Sara Meyer '07** and **Kristi Gordy Robinson '05**.



Don Maxam, a sociology professor in the early 70s until the late 90s, served Central for 26 years. While at Central, Maxam was department and division chair. Now he and his wife, Elsie, are retired in Maryland and enjoy spending time with their grandson. Maxam thinks about his time at Central frequently and misses teaching and interacting with students and faculty.

"I really miss the people more than anything else," he says. "People make my life go round and it's not the surroundings, cities or storms. It's the people I miss most."

In his spare time, Maxam enjoys playing croquet and he does a lot of reading—including reading the Washington Post every morning and Civitas. Maxam likes to read about past students, faculty and staff and what they are up to now.

"I wonder a lot about students," he says. "I read Civitas with interest to see if I know some people and to find out what they are doing."



To read the full Q&A with Don Maxam, visit civitas.central.edu.

Valley Community School District.

THE '10S

Cody Baethke '10 is an assistant football coach and assistant baseball coach at Central College. Cody and wife **Nicole McGrew Baethke '11** live in Pella.

Cory Hall '10 of Newport, Ky., is the senior director of sports communications for the University of Cincinnati in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Graci Martsching '10 of Mishawaka, Ind., is the assistant director of student involvement and multicultural services at Saint Mary's College in South Bend.

Brynn Phillips '10 of Forest City, Iowa, is a WIT club membership and marketing specialist at Winnebago Industries, Inc.

Tammy Peter Simms '10 teaches Spanish and French at Ankeny Centennial High School in Ankeny, Iowa, where she lives with husband **Rob Simms '08** and their son. Rob is a chiropractor at ADIO Chiropractic.

Emily Anderson Walker '10 teaches special education music at Forest City Elementary School in Forest City, Iowa, where she lives with husband Keith.

Kelilah Brown '11 of Newton, Iowa, is the high school band director at Knoxville High School in Knoxville.

Spencer Coulter '11 of Des Moines is a senior associate of IT consulting at McGladrey LLP.

Jacob Dreyer '11 and Rachel Pogleasa of Pella were married June 22 in Bemidji, Minn. Jacob is the assistant sports information director at Central College.

Quincy Garner '11 of Edina, Minn., is a wafer sustaining engineer at Seagate Technology in Bloomington.

Cyndi Johnson '11 and **Michael O'Rourke '11** of Urbandale were married June 8. Cyndi is an account manager and health specialist at Live Healthy America in Des Moines and Michael is a pricing analyst for

Brownells in Montezuma.

Jonathan Lindstrom '11 is an environmental inspector at JRJ Energy Services, LLC in Bellefonte, Penn., where he lives with wife **Rachel Jordan Lindstrom '10**.

Rachel Staman '11 of Baltimore, Md., teaches fourth grade at KIPP Baltimore Schools.

Curt Toppin '11 is a software analyst at Overland Conveyor in Pella, where he lives with wife **Chelsea Grieger Toppin '12**. Chelsea is a copywriter in the communications office at Central College.

Matt Daniels '12 of Forest City, Iowa, is a middle school social studies teacher and coach at Lake Mills Community Schools District in Lake Mills.

Ashley Kinkade '12 is finishing her last year of service with AmeriCorps State at Youth and Shelter Services in Ames, Iowa. She is working toward a master's degree in human development and family studies and certification in youth development.

Abby Norman '12 of London, England is

employed by Brandworkz in London. This summer, Abby participated in a full Olympic distance triathlon (1500m swim, 40k cycle and 10k run) and competed in the Virgin Active London Triathlon, raising money for the Breast Cancer Campaign. She finished in just over three hours.

Elizabeth Sanders '12 of Pella, Iowa, is an art teacher and reading associate at Knoxville West Elementary and head varsity volleyball coach at Knoxville High School.

Maxwell Seeman '12 of Baxter, Iowa, is a physical education instructor and coach at Baxter School District.

Maggie Wehde '12 of Tipton, Iowa, and younger sister Miranda, the current student body president at Central College, along with their father **Mike Wehde '85** are the proud owners of Central College license plates. Maggie teaches kindergarten through fourth grade title 1 reading at Mechanicsville Elementary School. Mike teaches industrial technology at Tipton High School. He lives in Tipton with wife Diane.



SPARKS AND ROCK WED

Abigail Sparks '12 and **Kirby Rock '12** of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, were married July 27. Abigail is a global processing management accountant at Rockwell Collins in Cedar Rapids. Kirby is employed at Sheels in Des Moines. Front row (left to right): **Celeste James '12**, **Katie Canney '15**, **Karlee Rock '15**, **Kirby Rock '12**, **Abbey Sparks Rock '12**, **Natalie Diaz '12**. Second row: **Devin Delvaux '11**, **Cassie McNeal '13**, **Teresa Fox '12**, **Emily Phillips '12**, **Ryan Crall '11**, **Max Seeman '12**, **Dana Baker '12**, **Cody Wiederin '14**. Third row: **BJ Cunningham '14**, **Joel Pulliam '12**, **Jessica Barloon '12**, **Allison Kolker '13**, **Josh Nalan '10**, **Jared Lammers '13**, **Josh Tack '15**, **Jason Hassman '10**, **Taylor Wessels Hassman '13**, **Mick Wiederin '12**, **Blake Smith '10** and **Meghan Burt Smith '11**.

ADVANCED DEGREES

Jodi Higgins Pinyo '85, master's degree, Magna Cum Laude, forensic accounting, Jones International University, July.

Joy Ashbaugh '97, master's degree, psychology, University of San Francisco, Dec. 2004.

Beth Thompson '97, master's degree, education, City University, 2003 and master's degree, instructional design for online learning, Capella University, 2009.

Chad Kuhse '98, master's degree with distinction, University of Iowa, 2013.

Nicholas Myers '03, master's degree, international business, Hamline University, 2011.

Anne Rathe Otte '03, master's degree, education administration, Iowa State University, 2010.

Emilie Newbury '04, master's degree, elementary education, Drake University, Dec. 2007.

Steve Havemann '05, master's degree, adult learning and organizational performance, Drake University, May.

Kimberly Flaherty '06, master's degree, human computer interaction, Iowa State University, May 12, 2011.

Andrea Kapusinski Cooper '07, master's degree, middle level education, Walden University, June 30.

Megan Brotherson Stange '07, master's degree, public administration, Drake University, May 30.

Kara Neumann Mertz '08, master's degree, education, Viterbo University, July.

Jacob Dreyer '11, master's degree, mass communication and journalism, South Dakota State University, May.

Quincy Garner '12, master's degree, mechanical engineering, Iowa State University, May.

Abby Norman '12 master's degree, business, Henley Business School.

Jessica and **Lance Eidem '95**, son Sullivan Lance, July 14

Jacque and **Terry Eisenbarth '95**, daughter Ellee Faith, June 7

Vanessa and **Jason Metzger '98**, daughter Ella Grace, April 11, 2012

Rebecca and **Kevin Thompson '98**, twins, daughter Willow Sue and son Weston Conrad, Sept. 3

Christopher and **Michelle Wehrman-Flores '99**, daughter Harper Lucinda, April 2
Brian and **Josie Mahan Irlbeck '00**, daughter Ellie Jo, June 20

Coy and **Hannah Pinkerton McLaughlin '01**, son Bode Coy, Dec. 27

Martin and **Carrie Westra Schwab '01**, daughter Abbie Lynn, March 24

Spencer and **Kate Van Haften '02**, daughter Camilla Aven, March 27

Shane and **Amber Wissler Cotter '03**, daughter Teagan Grace, July 24

Tristen and **Josh Edwards '03**, son Jackson William Michael, Sept. 4, 2011

Dale and **Anne Rathe Otte '03**, daughter Elyse Louise, May 10

Christopher '03 and **Megan Scheetz Wilson '03**, daughter Isabel Scott, Oct. 26, 2012

Amy and **Brian Jorgensen '04**, son William Paul, May 21

Mark Reha and **Emilie Newbury '04**, son Maddox Robert, Jan 1

Andy '05 and **Holly Edwards Roby '05**, daughter Jensen Elizabeth, June 5

Michael Sullivan '05 and **Elise Kooistra-Sullivan '05**, son Holden Royce, May 1

Justin '05 and **Jill Williams Van Soelen '06**, son Blake Justin, May 23

Matt '06 and **Tasha Jones Cook '05**, daughter Addison M, March 1

Patrick '06 and **Kelly Harris Dooley '08**, daughter Zoey Rae, June 26

Jackie and **Brian Visser '06**, son Oliver Ray, Aug. 12

Scott '06 and **Whitney Visser Westphal '08**, son Ethan Joshua, July 25

Ryan '07 and **Sheri Hawker Petersen '07**, son Flynn William, Sept. 18, 2012

Mike and **Megan Brotherson Stange '07**, son Thaddeus Michael, May 30

Jonathan and **Katee Van Arkel Shinkle '08**, son Ross David, Feb. 28

Rob '08 and **Tammy Peter Simms '10**, son Huston Alan, July 7

Greg '10 and **Lindsey Oliver Jansma '10**, daughter Mackenzie Ann, March 30

IN MEMORIAM

Harley Clark '38 of Waxahachie, Texas, May 25

Alfred Vander Ploeg '39 of Medford, Ore., July 26

Geneva Wilder Clark '40 of Waxahachie, Texas, March 3

Genevieve Van Hattem Spiekhout '45 of Sun City, Ariz., March 22

Darel Mensch '47 of Fulton, Ill., July 31

Emil Van Hazebroek '50 of Algoma, Wis., Aug. 22

Esther Peters Wellner '50 of Bella Vista, Ark., June 23

Sara Gosselink Dunsmore '57 of Pella, Aug. 6

Karen Klein Venhuizen '63 of Idaho Falls, Idaho, July 27

Gerald Kuiper '64 of Indianola, Iowa, Aug. 16

Phyllis Bonnema Willems '68 of Pella, Aug. 30

Shirley Hood '75 of Des Moines, Aug. 18

Sherman Van Zee '78 of Prairie City, Iowa, Sept. 17

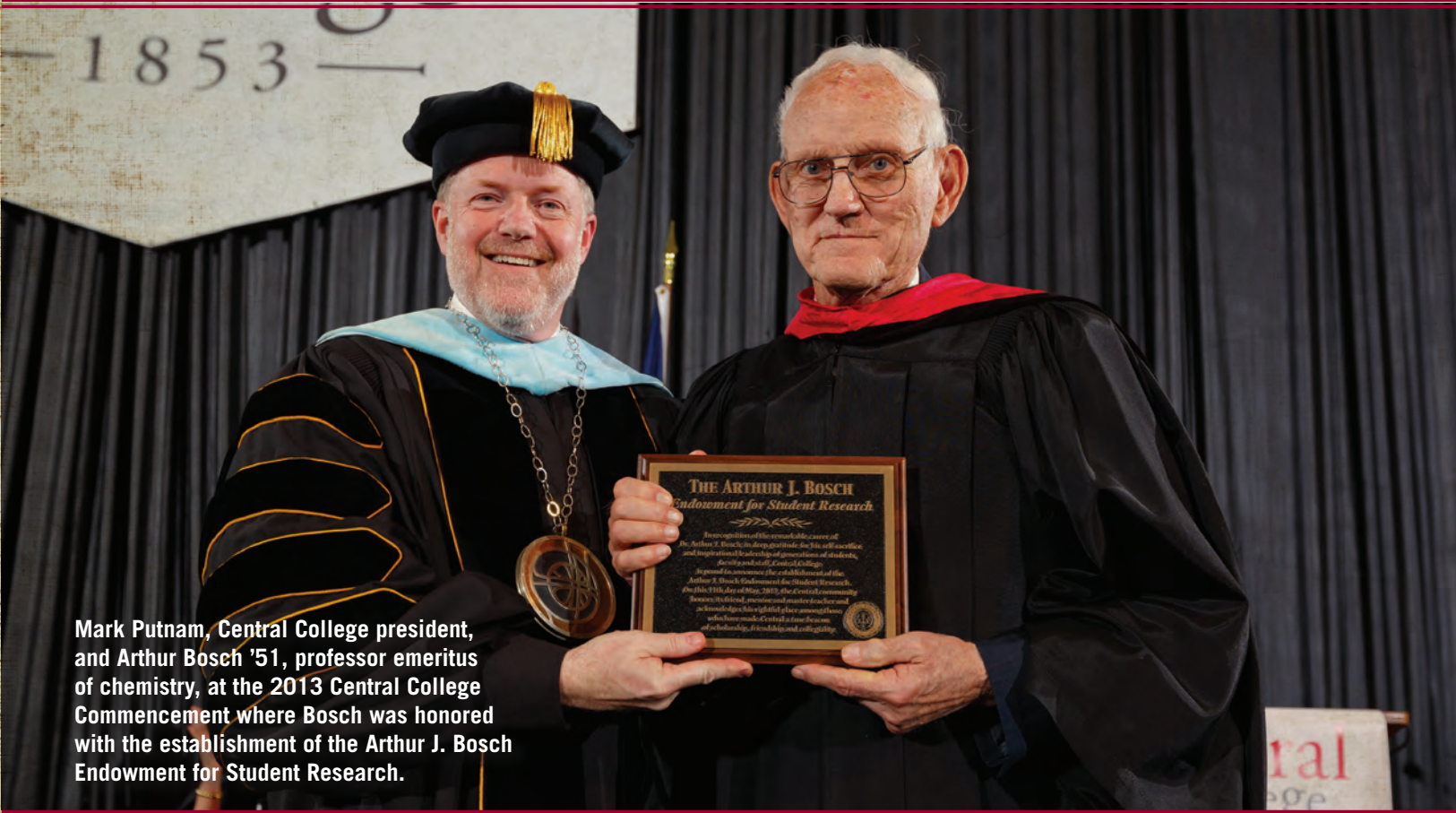
Sylvia Veldhuis Uitermarkt '79 of Otley, Iowa, July 29

Barbra Anderson '89 of Clive, Iowa, Aug. 2

Danielle Descoteau '08 of Pella, Sept. 4



CELEBRATING A LIFE AND CAREER DEDICATED TO PUTTING CENTRAL STUDENTS FIRST.



Mark Putnam, Central College president, and Arthur Bosch '51, professor emeritus of chemistry, at the 2013 Central College Commencement where Bosch was honored with the establishment of the Arthur J. Bosch Endowment for Student Research.

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Throughout his 50-year career, **Dr. Arthur J. Bosch '51**, professor emeritus of chemistry, modeled the principle of intellectual and social engagement—advancing best practices for professional collaboration with colleagues and students for the betterment of society. His record of service stands as a living “how to” laboratory with hundreds of alumni success stories lending undeniable evidence to the importance of faculty/student collaboration, research and scholarship.

Alumni and friends have committed to more than \$400,000 of the \$500,000 required to permanently underwrite important summer research opportunities for Central students through the Bosch Endowment. It’s not too late for you to participate!

If you are interested in making a gift to the Arthur J. Bosch Endowment for Student Research or learning more details, please contact Don Morrison in the advancement office at 641-628-5280 or morrisond@central.edu.

ARRIVALS

Journey Scholar

For senior Katelyn Paul, Central College is more than just a school—it's an important key to endless arenas of opportunity for the future.

As a student in athletic training, Paul has participated in three different internships that allowed her to showcase her Central education: working at Nike Sports Camps, interning at Auburn University with the gymnastics team and working at NASA Cape Canaveral, helping astronauts recover from minor injuries.

Paul's dreams became reality because of the generous donations made by people like you. “Without the scholarships I've had, I would have never been able to come to a school that pushed me outside of my comfort zone and pushed me to be all that I can be,” Paul said.

“I feel like a totally different person because of the experiences I've had. More people could have these opportunities if they had the resources and could afford college. Scholarships are so important. I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the scholarships I have received.”

To support students like Katelyn, make your gift to the Journey Scholarship Fund today! The journey starts with you.



2013 CENTRAL COLLEGE Legacy

Photo by Dan Vander Beek



Legacy 2013 students with parents and grandparents posed outside Central Hall during freshman move-in-day Aug. 24.

First row (left to right): Steve Joy '84, Madeline Joy, Jacob Diehl, Joshiah Diehl, Ben Diehl, Cathy Diehl, **Matt Diehl '87**, Emilia Diehl **Second row:** Jacy Embray, **Devin Embray '91**, Sydney Embray, **Angie Atkinson Embray '92**, Hannah Scotten, **Matt Scotton '91**, **Sandy Koon Scotton '91**, **Loretta Short Loyd '89**, Ian Loyd and Sue Short **Third row:** Faith Schulte, **Matt Schulte '86**, Erica Schulte, Carol Schulte. Lyndi Schulte, Braden Schulte, Lenora Van Norden, Jenna Schulte, Heidi Schulte, **Mary De Master Schulte '62**, **Michelle Dunakey Klein '88**, Curtis Klein, Kelley Klein, Tom Klein, Alex Hocker, Joyce Hocker **Fourth row:** **Carla DeRuiter Schouten '86**, Leah Schouten, Brett Schouten, David Schouten, **Bruce Schouten '84**, **Mary Popson Klein '95**, Breanna Klein, Michael Klein, Sarah Bowen, **Karal Wiersema Stewart '93**, Erin Hocker **Fifth row:** **Jody Harris '89**, **Angie Brower Harris '90**, Makenzie Harris, Jarod Robertson, Beu Robertson, **Mary Dunsmore Robertson '91**, **Amy Pierson Van Haften '89**, Betsy Van Haften, Kevin Van Haften, **Gena Weiss Kolk '84**, Jon Walsh, Thomas Walsh, Duke Walsh **Sixth row:** Michaela Mathews, Angie Mathews, **Mike Mathews '91**, Alec Mathews, **Malinda Hook '84**, Jameson Hook, Jeff Hook, Jeff Knouse, Lora Knouse, **Mark Knouse '82**, Keri Murphy, **Jane Kristensen Murphy '89**, Erik Murphy, Bruce Murphy **Seventh row:** **Shannon Peck Judkins '87**, Blake Judkins, **Rob Judkins '87**

Working Dutch Style

BY: CINDY DEPPE

After networking with two Central College board of trustee members, Stormi Peterson '15 found herself getting practical work experience in The Hague in the Netherlands.



Photo by Linda Steller

Stormi Peterson '15 interned at the corporate center for Aegon, an international insurance company, in the Netherlands.

Networking near the campus pond last fall led Stormi Peterson '15 across the pond to an Aegon internship in the Netherlands during spring semester 2013.

Conversations with trustees Deanna Ver Steeg '94 and Terry Garvin '72 put Peterson in touch with a finance manager at the international insurance company's corporate headquarters in The Hague, where she planned to study abroad.

"Basically, a strand of networking created the position for me. The department was not actively seeking an intern, but they graciously found a place where I could develop my skills outside of the classroom," Peterson says. "I lived in the country about a month learning

the Dutch language before I began working at Aegon."

The accounting major from Exira, Iowa worked three days a week, developing a budgeting template for the corporate center, which was in the midst of a software transition.

Peterson found her biggest challenge while being employed abroad was the Dutch management style.

"Employees in the Netherlands have a greater level of authority, and superiors often trust and value the opinion of their subordinates," Peterson explains. "At first, it was a bit difficult to get used to working with less guidance, but I really took it as an opportunity to go beyond my manager's expectations and take some potential risks."

Her greatest satisfaction came from self-teaching a range of Excel functions and newfound management skills. The Aegon internship also confirmed Peterson's career interests in cost accounting, analysis and academia. The work influenced her to become more invested in the idea of becoming a professor as well as to value the academic community.

Central faculty members, too, played a key role in Peterson's internship success and her developing interests. "The introductory computer class and the 'Quantitative Methods of Business and Economics' course were extremely helpful in creating that basic academic knowledge."

"The learning environment Central creates influenced my ability to conduct meetings, accept criticism and ask questions."

Peterson realizes that working in The Hague was a chance to break into the business world, and she doesn't easily forget that Central made it all happen.

"I am grateful to all of those involved in attaining my internship at Aegon in the Netherlands," she says. "This experience has opened my eyes to the ease and great reward of networking—a 20-minute conversation turned into an opportunity of a lifetime."

Read more about Stormi's internship online at civitas.central.edu!





Alumni Spotlight



Abby Norman '12 moved to London after graduation and received her master's degree. In her free time, she trains for triathlons. Abby is pictured after the Olympic Park five-mile race with an American flag her English friends purchased for her.

Finding Joy Abroad

BY: CINDY DEPPE

Abby Norman's goal orientation didn't stop with her three-time letterwinning days as goalkeeper for Dutch women's soccer team. At the top of the 2012 graduate's current "what's next" list: "visit 50 countries by the time I'm 50."

Norman's present location, living and working in London for international brand management firm Brandworkz, may indeed make that top goal possible because, she explains, "I'm at 19 countries so far and

should be at 20 by the end of the year."

"I absolutely love London," she says. "The city is like no other city in the world, it's so alive with culture and with all sorts of different people. There is always something to do, and it's a great place to start off my career. At my first interview I could just tell that Brandworkz was going to be a really good fit for me and a place where I could learn and grow in my professional career.

I had the experience they wanted from the internship I did for Demarquette Fine Chocolate while I studied abroad in London. They also want me to grow and progress into a more strategic marketing role."

Although Brandworkz has U.S. offices, Norman says she doesn't want to leave the London city life and her good group of friends. "I also have the opportunity to continue to play football (soccer) and run triathlons. I thought my playing career was over when I graduated from Central, but I'm very lucky that England has a great network of amateur football (soccer) leagues."

Norman ran her first triathlon—also on her bucket list—during summer 2012. "I wanted to make sure after finishing my college playing career that I had some sort of sport or activity to keep me fit and healthy. I have a group of training buddies here in London, and the English countryside is great for cycling. It requires a lot of mental strength to push on but I think that's what I like so much about it."

And push on she does. Rounding out Norman's personal goals list is writing a book, starting her own business, be on "The Amazing Race, and "to always find joy and excitement in life."

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