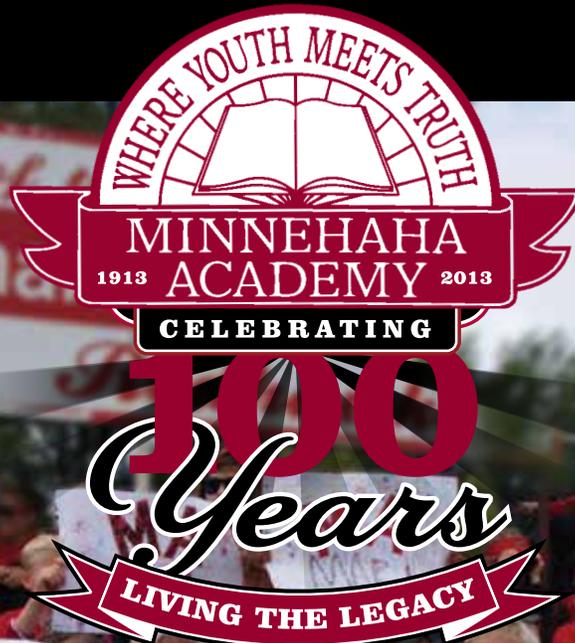


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A word from the **President**

Dear Friends,

At the 32nd Annual Minnehaha Academy Golf Classic during Homecoming weekend, my team was subjected to my novice golf skills. As the day of the tournament approached, I knew that at a minimum, my first step would be to look the part of a golfer to gain a bit of credibility. Heels and a business suit were definitely out;

I showed up sporting a decent golf outfit with my golf glove dangling properly from my pocket. My golf clubs bore the appropriate amount of wear and tear to support my look. I had studied up on the proper golf terminology (e.g. teeing up, the rough, handicap, etc.), and of course, I was prepared to talk about how I had been working on my short game. Unfortunately for me, neither looking the part nor knowledge of the game could compensate for my poor grip, stance and swing, so by the first hole the proverbial cat was out of the bag.

Unlike my pitiful attempt to appear a golf expert, Minnehaha has understood and been true to its identity for 100 years. Minnehaha has consistently provided high-quality education integrating Christian faith and learning. The heart and core of the school, founded on Christian principles, were “*teed-up*” properly from the beginning. The high-quality administrators, faculty and staff, dedicated to the school’s mission, have been the *drivers* who put the school in a position to win—that is, to prepare thousands of young people who are making a tangible and visible difference in the world.

Yes, as in any good golf game, the *hazards* have been there. Minnehaha faced significant “*rough*” as it sought to open its doors in 1913. The Great Depression was a difficult trial, but with God’s help, the school remained resilient. Today we still stand as a firmly rooted institution within this community. The changing tide of culture—our *bunkers* and *water hazards*—could have threatened our commitment to our mission and taken the school down a divergent path, but Minnehaha remained true to its God-inspired course. At times, our lack of resources has negatively impacted our short game, delaying our progress toward strategic goals, but still we stand.

Minnehaha’s school pride, bolstered by our Centennial Celebration, should continue to rise to a thundering roar, and persevere long past our Centennial as we move into another century of education that is rigorous, authentic, engaging and relevant. But as you experienced golfers know, a strong score today doesn’t guarantee a strong score tomorrow, so we must continue to seek God’s wisdom as we plan for the future.

We are thankful for your support, but more importantly, thankful to God who is the same today, yesterday and forevermore (Hebrews 13:8).



Donna Harris, Ed.D.

“The heart and core of the school, founded on Christian principles, were “*teed-up*” properly from the beginning.”



Season of Freedom

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

Hebrews 13:8



Minnehaha Academy persevered through the hardest years of the 1930s, entering into a Season of Freedom in the 1940s and 1950s. A return to better times meant a dramatic enlargement of the student body, the faculty, and the school buildings. In the mid-1940s, student enrollment topped the previous record set in 1920-21. To keep pace with this growth, the faculty also doubled in size from 12 teachers to 24 in 1945. By the end of the 1940s, the staff numbered 30. Minnehaha's single high-school campus became packed with new faces, which meant the need for another building expansion.

Moving upward

The Northwest–Minnehaha Advance Campaign was launched in 1946 under the leadership of Clarence A. Nelson and in cooperation with the Northwest Conference. The campaign raised \$300,000 to construct a new gymnasium and central annex, and to remodel the 1922 auditorium/gymnasium building. In what were perhaps symbolic as well as practical efforts, the remodeling finally connected the school's two separate buildings, linking the present and future to the past, and also protecting students who, up until then, had to walk outside between buildings during Minnesota winters.

by Justin Ekstedt '01

Early School Life

There was once a time, during the Season of Freedom, when Minnehaha joined the fight.

Times were better in the 1940s and 1950s, but they didn't isolate Minnehaha from major world events of those decades. World War II swept administration, faculty, and students into its action and effected changes in the curriculum.

The school's president, E. O. Franklin, left his position in 1943 to serve as an army chaplain until 1946. Principal Joseph R. Adell also resigned in 1943. Concerns that lack of leadership in these top two positions might cause Minnehaha to close went unfounded: Anna Fellroth became the school's principal, and Reverend Clarence A. Nelson stepped in as third president in 1943.

In response to wartime interests, Pre-Aviation was introduced into the curriculum, teaching aerial navigation with an emphasis on the history of aviation. The school's Bible Institute, in operation since 1921, closed in 1945 due to decreased enrollment as men went to serve in the armed forces. An attempt to reopen the Institute in 1949 was unsuccessful.

Honoring Those Who Served

The 1944 Antler was dedicated to twelve classmates who left school to serve in World War II:

"To Our Classmates [below]...who have gone from our midst to heed the call of their country during this time of crisis, who have so willingly left their home, their church, and their school to preserve justice, equality, and freedom for which America stands...we, the staff of 1944 do gratefully dedicate this Antler."



The names listed are:
Allan Eggen
Kenneth Franklin John Harkness
Grant Hipp
Ivan Nordquist
Oliver Oppen
Martvin Ostrom
John Page
Paul Peterson
Walter Posengren
Carl Studo
James Tromsness

A plaque hangs in the Alumni House with the inscription:

"In commemoration of those who made the supreme sacrifice for their country in World War II."



The names listed are:
P. G. Carlstedt
L. P. Cederholm
David M. Curren
J. E. Lindgren
A. F. Lundberg
H. E. Mickelsen
Jack R. Starr
P. P. Swanson

A Sign of the Times

The threat of nuclear attack became a real concern for the Minnehaha community in the 1950s. Student Handbooks from the '50s provided these instructions:

“Upon receiving a yellow alert signal from the civil defense authorities, school will be dismissed by the principal. Students will be instructed to go home to be evacuated from the city according to plans made by each individual family. If going home means to cross the downtown area, the students should plan to leave the city immediately without going home. In case of a red alert students are to seek the first available shelter. The best at school is found in the gymnasium building in the locker rooms and also in the tunnels going to the shop. Most other areas afford only slight protection. The blast and heat are the two greatest dangers you face. The things that you do to protect yourself from these dangers usually will go a long way toward providing protection from the explosive radioactivity loosed by the atomic explosions. IT IS POSSIBLE TO LIVE THROUGH AN ATOM BOMB RAID!”



Extracurricular Expansion

There was once a time, during the Season of Freedom, when Minnehaha opened new windows of opportunity.

Sports became more organized in the 1940s and 1950s. In the earliest decades of the school's history, athletics were largely self-organized programs with sports offerings determined based on available facilities, equipment, and interest. Now, a Girls' Athletic Association was formed to allow more opportunities for girls to take part in sports. Furthermore, letters could be earned based on participation in a number of activities such as baseball, basketball, hiking, bowling, and archery.

Minnehaha fielded basketball, football, hockey, track, and golf teams and began to compete in the Minnesota State Private School League (MPSL) in the '40s. In 1947, the school's original six-man football team was converted to an eleven-man format following the growth in student enrollment. The 1948-49 Boys' Football team became undefeated champion in the MPSL, scoring a total of 128 points against 19 during the season. In the fall of 1951, the football team became the last school champions of the MPSL which, with the additions of Blake and St. Paul Academy, was renamed the Minnesota Independent School League.

Robert Pearson, Minnehaha's musical director, organized the Minnehaha Band to play during athletic events and pepfests. Lelia Foote took over direction of the band in 1957. Under her leadership, the band won first place honors in the Minneapolis Aquatennial band competition for at least three years in a row. Foote also introduced mid-winter pop concerts to the school's Fine Arts programming.

Lettermans Club Legitimized Antler, 1956

“Something new and entirely different from anything we have ever had before was added to our sports department this year. On November 16 our lettermans club held its [sic] first meeting. This type of club had been organized in many other high schools, and several of our boys thought it a good idea for Minnehaha to have one also. One of the first things decided upon was to purchase jackets, which were alike. They were red wool with tan leather sleeves. The report would not be complete without mention of ‘Wrinkles’, the official mascot of the group. He was probably the ugliest yet friendliest dog ever to come to Minnehaha. He was seen in his wrinkled nose and plaid jacket at many of our athletic events this year.”



A New Reign

There was once a time, during the Season of Freedom, when Minnehaha called its own into court.

Minnehaha celebrated its first Homecoming in 1924, but it wasn't until the 1940s that the school designated a Homecoming court. Jean LeVahn was selected to be the school's first Homecoming queen in 1944. The school also held its first Snow Day Carnival in December, 1947, which featured skiing and tobogganing at the Town and Country Club followed by a hockey game, basketball game, and dinner. Woody Larson and Marge Anderson were crowned king and queen of Snow Day royalty.



Dress Code Details

Dress code is not just a contemporary issue. Appropriate dress for students at a Christian school was discussed at an Educational Council meeting held in 1952:

“The matter of strapless formals for the J.S. [Junior-Senior Banquet] was discussed. A few of the mothers had called Miss Fellroth regarding the matter. After discussion it was decided that Miss Fellroth and Miss Chinander should talk to the junior and senior girls after chapel some day soon. We will suggest to them that if their dress is strapless, we would like in the name of Christian modesty, that they use stoles or jackets, depending on the style of the dress and their own liking.”

Drama On Stage and Off



The school expanded artistically in the '40s and '50s, allowing drama for the first time in 1952. The first play to be presented was a three-act play called *Melody*, described by its director, Zella Mae Sandin in Gerald Nordstrom's school history, *Where Youth Meets Truth*, as “a terrible play, but a safe play for Minnehaha to produce” (Nordstrom 2010, 159). Since then, Minnehaha has greatly expanded and enlarged its theatrical productions.

Fads and Fashions

Do you remember your 'do from the '40s or '50s? Here are a few excerpts from the *Antler* highlighting some of the fads and fashions of the day:



"Sitting on the steps of good old M.A. for the last time are the senior officers. Their white bucks prove they're up on the latest fads." (*Antler*, 1952)

"The fads for old time dress and vegetable coloring in the hair seemed to pave the way for the terrific enthusiasm shown in in homecoming campaigns." (*Antler*, 1952)



"Shades of the twenties! The pointed toes are with us. Perennial bobby socks and loafers are still here but with a new twist." (*Antler*, 1958)

"The pony's tail has become a duck's tail, and after two decades the page boy is back." (*Antler*, 1958)

"New gear was introduced...big, bulky sweaters...pleated plaid skirts...chemettes...headache bands...and...SHOCKING STOCKINGS! Somehow the guys never liked the leotards and waistlineless outfits. The Empire had replaced the Chemise but the Bell, Bubble, High-waisted Trapeze, Harem skirt, bloused look, tinted nylons, pointed toed shoes and Chemise hair styles were still around." (*Antler*, 1959)

"All hands were hula hooping! This waist whittling craze was adopted by mates of all sizes and ages. The national contests led to fantastic endurance records—and sore backs. Even songs were written about this fad." (*Antler*, 1959)



Creative Class Acts

There was once a time, during the Season of Freedom, when Minnehaha sought clever new diversions

The increase of students and teachers meant more people were available to organize, lead, and participate in extracurricular activities, which promoted wider-ranging interests throughout the school. Traditional staples like the *Quiver* and *Arrow* publications, Homecoming, the Junior-Senior Banquet, and annual band and choir concerts emerged from their scaled back versions of tougher economic times to become major landmark programs and activities throughout the school year. In addition to these, other clubs and programs were created with as many different noble—and sometimes more intriguing—goals. Here are just a few amusing highlights from the Season of Freedom:

- The Florence Nightingale Club, morphing through the decades into the co-ed Red Cross Council, hosted creative fundraising drives. One included splitting into two groups, the *Minnes* and the *HaHas*, to see which could raise more money. The groups visited every classroom, putting on skits and asking students to donate. Eventually, the Red Cross Council organized an all-school talent show in which they raised money to purchase supplies for children in need.
- Home Economics classes, added to the school's curriculum in 1942, presented annual style shows; students modeled clothing they had sewn in class.



- A Pep Club organized in the mid-50s to promote school spirit, cheering at sporting events, and throwing parties such as the “Splash Party” at the Midway YMCA.
- The Student Council and Christian Service Club sponsored a “Korny Karnival” replete with game booths, concessions, and comedy and drama acts.
- A “Posture Queen” contest was held in which female students paraded through the gym in bathing suits while being judged on their sitting, standing, and walking postures.
- Under the Quiver heading of “Little Men Invade School,” members of the “M” Club solicited the student body, selling 50-cent tickets for an all-school skating party. The purpose? Why, to purchase a whirlpool, of course.



High Speed High School

Students were once banned from driving automobiles to school, but in the '40s and '50s, automobiles became a part of everyday life at Minnehaha. The Student Handbook from 1945-46 indicates school policy for student drivers at the time:

“Students and teachers should park their cars in the space provided south of the auditorium building. Students who find it necessary to drive a car to school must secure permission to do so from the principal. The student must present his driver’s license to the principal before securing permission to drive a car to school. The car is to remain in its parking space until the end of the school day.”



In addition to issues involving student drivers, Minnehaha administration found itself also managing concerns over streetcars, which were still running along Lake Street and used by students for transportation. Streetcar fares increased to 11 cents per token in 1948, and the school’s Educational Council sent a letter to the Railroad and Warehouse Commission requesting that special consideration be given to students in the matter of transportation costs. However, the request was denied because state laws prohibited discrimination in fares.

HOMECOMING!

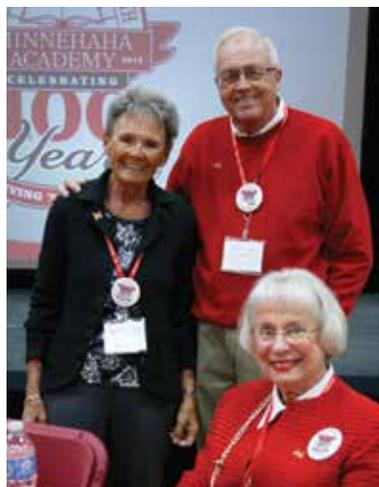


2013 Homecoming court, front row, left to right: Ben Bakke, Meara Cummings, Catherine Simmons, Ben Meyer. Back row, left to right: Grant Wielde, Lauren Heide, Eamonn Manion, Casey Haffield, Heidi Welsch, Luke Brown, Madison Ryan, Marcellous Hazzard.

Many alumni, family, and friends came back to Minnehaha in September, 2012 to reconnect and celebrate Minnehaha and its Centennial year with former classmates and faculty members. Fun events provided plenty of photo opportunities!



Former Minnehaha president John Engstrom, retired teacher Rev. Paul Swanson '51, Barbara (Holte) Bragg '53.



Linda (Olson) Stromberg '58, Paul Stromberg '56, Judith (Bixby) Hagstrom '56.



Teacher Nathan Johnson and student Charlie Schroeder hosted the "Time Travel" Coronation event.

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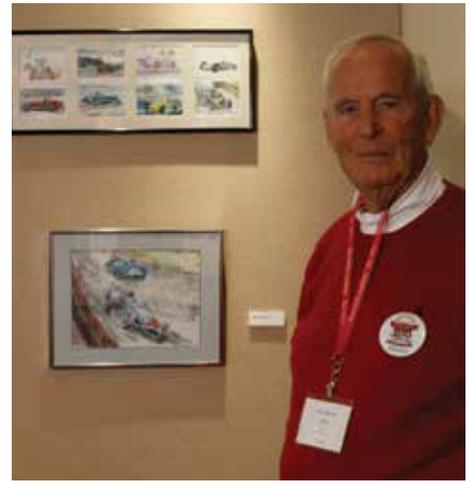
CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF MINNEHAHA ACADEMY



President Donna Harris introduces Distinguished Alum, Woody Larson '47.



Thomas Kirkland '77 ready to play in the alumni band.



Jack Albinson '50 displayed his art work in the Alumni Art Show.



John Carlson '53, Pauline (Challander) Liukonen '53, and David Liukonen.



Redhawk football team gearing up for the Homecoming game!



Boys' soccer player Peter Webster '15 getting after the ball.



Berit and Niles Batdorf '35.



Happy Redhawk Run runners!



A handsome group of fall sport athletes pose for a group photo.



Molly Meeker '10, Carol Sundet-Meeker '80, and Julie Holm '80.

WHAT A DAY for GOLF!

Novice and expert golfer alike are welcome to join the fun when we gather on the green once again on May 6, 2013!

The 32nd annual Minnehaha Golf Classic capped off our Centennial Homecoming Celebration on September 24. More than 100 golfers spent a beautiful fall day at St. Paul's Town & Country Club, one of Minnesota's premier courses, to raise funds for Minnehaha athletic programs. The golfers enjoyed meeting student athletes stationed along the course, learning more about athletics and character-building opportunities at Minnehaha Academy.

At the dinner that followed, speaker Karl Olson '61 paid tribute to the late Roger Miller, who was one of the student members of the 1960 golf team inducted into the Minnehaha Athletic Hall of Fame. Olson presented the first-ever Roger Miller Award to Larry Greeley '61, who has been instrumental in supporting the Golf Classic.

President Donna Harris spoke to the golfers differentiating her limited experience as a novice golfer from Minnehaha's long tradition of educational excellence (see her letter on page 3.) It was a fantastic day of sports, food, fellowship ... and even a few great rounds!



Karl Olson '61 teeing off the first hole.



Tim Towle, Robert Crosby '73, David Olson, Win Olson



Sam Nelson '11, Austin Law '11, and Dan Law '87 ready to get the game going!



A sunny lunch before the tournament



Larry Greeley '61 hits off the first tee.



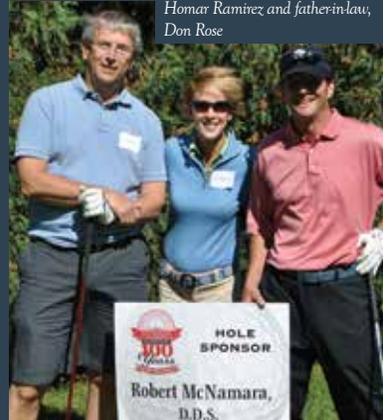
Minnehaha's athletic director Homar Ramirez and father-in-law, Don Rose



Peter and Kathy Parten heading out to



Larry Kane putting on the tenth green.



Bob McNamara, Ann and Scott Mullinix appreciating this tournament sponsor!



Heidi Douglass Carlson '96 enjoying lunch with sister, Hilary Douglass Sonstegard '93.



Hugh Meeker, Carol Sundet-Meeker '80, Tim Farley, Tom



Mark Rowland, Greg Rowland '03,

"O GOD of WONDERS"

Last spring, Minnehaha commissioned Susan Palo Cherwien, a prominent Twin Cities musician and poet, to write a celebration Centennial hymn for the school. "O God of Wonders" was first performed publicly at Homecoming 2012 chapel service.

Trained as a vocal soloist, Cherwien first began writing hymns after she married her husband, the composer David Cherwien, who works as a church musician. She later earned a Masters in Liberal Studies at Mundelein (formerly a Catholic college) with a focus on spirituality, ritual, and the arts. Eight of her hymn texts appear in the *Evangelical Lutheran Worship* hymnal, and Augsburg Fortress has published two collections of her hymn texts.

When Susan wrote the text for the Centennial hymn, she started by getting to know Minnehaha through its students. She read hundreds of student responses to questions about their classmates, teachers, school values, and how their faith has been shaped at Minnehaha. She also met with several upper school music students for lunchtime chats to talk about her creative process and the students' experiences at MA.

The text that she crafted beautifully embodies Minnehaha spirit. Without directly mentioning the school's name, she captured the essence of this place and honored us as a community. Cherwien prefers to let the text speak to each person individually—allowing for individuals to interpret as they wish each time they sing it and for their relationship with the text to evolve over time. She did, however, share some remarks about the origin of certain aspects of the text that refer specifically to Minnehaha:

- In the first stanza, "river" and "hawk" evoke the school setting and mascot.
- In all verses, the wordplay of "course," "encompass," and "prove" highlight its role as an educational institution.
- The opening line of the second stanza is inspired by the motto: "where youth meets truth."
- The entire text is centered around Christ and our "quest" as members of the Minnehaha community to honor God in all we do.

One final reference is perhaps most memorable. Although Cherwien did not use the words "Minnehaha Academy" specifically, an allusion to its name and location is embedded in the text:

- The first two letters of the refrain are "MA" and the last are "MN."

"O God of Wonders" is a treasure for Minnehaha—both as a celebration of its first 100 years and as a statement about what the school strives to be as its second century gets underway. Rejoice!

O God of Wonders

O God of Wonders, by whose loving Word
The rivers course, the hawks soar to the height,
Draw us to wonder, so to see your world
Inspired by beauty, wakened by your light.

Refrain:

May mindful praise to God sing out Amen
And make of all our days a thankful hymn.

Whatever true is, noble, pure and right,
Encompass us and shape our ev'ry quest;
The mind of Christ be in our searching mind;
The heart of Christ, an ever-present guest.

Refrain:

May mindful praise to God sing out Amen
And make of all our days a thankful hymn.

Within these walls may our becoming prove
A journey deep and deeper into You,
That, wise and faithful, we may serve and love
Your whole creation, and so honor You.

Refrain:

May mindful praise to God sing out Amen
And make of all our days a thankful hymn.

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Commissioned for the 100th anniversary of Minnehaha Academy,
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Minnehaha Academy

teams up with

General Mills Marketing Team



What's in a name? When you hear "Minnehaha Academy," what comes to mind?

One of our school's most significant assets is its recognizable identity or "brand" in the community. As Minnehaha Academy celebrates its Centennial, the school's leadership has seized a great opportunity to launch the school into its next century with a revitalized brand. Minnehaha Academy applied for, and was awarded, a grant from the General Mills Good Works program to help identify a professional brand positioning for the school.

By its very name, Good Works has a clear mission for the General Mills employees who participate in it: the program provides nonprofit organizations with hours of professional marketing or research expertise free of charge. Last spring, a

Good Works team of nine marketing professionals from General Mills worked in conjunction with Minnehaha's marketing department to conduct surveys, focus groups, and individual interviews with upper school students, alumni, board members, faculty, staff, administration and parents. Following this effort, Minnehaha received a competitive market analysis, critical consumer insights, a strategic brand positioning, and recommendations for a communications plan specifically aimed at increasing admissions inquiries and conversion to enrollment.

Patrick Simmons, a Minnehaha Board Member and General Mills Vice President of Marketing, is proud of his colleagues' accomplishments. "I really appreciate the work that the Good Works team did for Minnehaha Academy," he



After founder A.L. Skoog died in 1934 this logo came into existence.

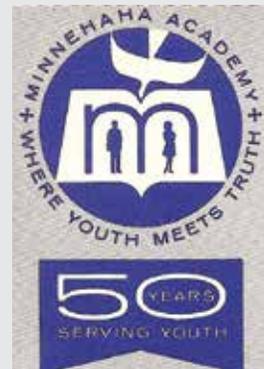
1930s



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The school was so proud of how the campus looked, they used the school building itself in their promotional materials

1940s - 1950s



Minnehaha Academy celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in 1963. After the celebration, the lower half of the logo was removed.

1960s



Minnehaha Indians
Before 1990



Minnehaha Redhawks
After 1990

Athletic logos



"Helping Hands" was a very early fund-raising effort and this mark was used to promote it.

1910s



Taking the image of Minnehaha Falls and putting it on the logo celebrated the history of Minneapolis and its environment.

1910s



A.L. Skoog commissions a new button. Meaning 'more ambition' or 'mer allver [more earnestness]' into our work.

1913



Minnehaha Academy opened a Bible Institute as a new department, primarily designed for training lay workers in the church.

1920s

said. "They provided some real clarity, as well as tangible tools that Minnehaha could use to create a strong marketing campaign in the future."

Peggy Snook, General Mills Internal Marketing Communications Consultant and a Minnehaha parent, was an enthusiastic volunteer on the team. "I was thrilled when I found out that General Mills was devoting a Good Works team to help Minnehaha with branding and communications," she said. "I was fortunate to have the opportunity to use both my professional and personal experience on this project, and it was fun to see my colleagues discover all the wonderful attributes of our school."

As a result of the joint effort with General Mills this fall, Minnehaha Academy plans to launch a new visual and

verbal brand identity in the fall of 2013.

"The opportunity to leverage General Mills' marketing expertise to create a clear, single-minded brand positioning is an invaluable asset to launch Minnehaha into its next century," said Audrey Bergengren, Minnehaha Academy's Director of Marketing and Communications. "A stronger and clearer brand identity for Minnehaha Academy will better promote its quality of education both internally and externally."

Simmons agreed. "The partnership that the Good Works team formed with Audrey and the work they did together will shape the marketing plan of the future for the school."

For more information or questions regarding this process, email bergengren@MinnehahaAcademy.net or call 612-728-7776.



An updated, modern looking logo

1970s



New modern, seventy-fifth anniversary logo created in 1983

1980s



Minnehaha's current school logo retains the school's long-held motto, "Where Youth Meets Truth."

2000s

Minnehaha's Centennial **MISSION PROJECT**

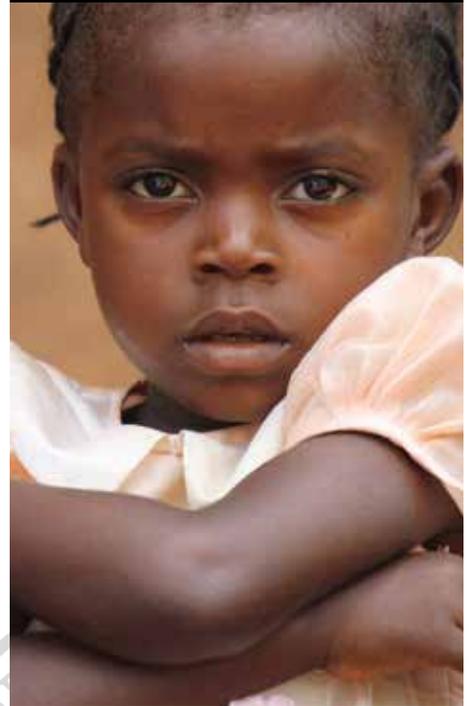
Covenant Partners Service Day



Good Neighbors, Kentucky



Covenant Kids Congo



T.W. Anderson, Minnehaha Academy's first President, spoke at the 1968 Fellowship Banquet quoting a poem by Ella Wilcox:

*"One ship sails East,
And another West,
By the self-same winds that blow,
'Tis the set of the sails
And not the gales,
That tells the way we go.
Like the winds of the sea
Are the waves of time,
As we journey along through life,
'Tis the set of the soul,
That determines the goal,
And not the calm or the strife."*

Anderson continued: "The purpose of Minnehaha Academy is to help these young people set the sails and set their souls that their lives may be a channel of blessing and their memory a benediction."

We are keeping the words of T.W. Anderson relevant and alive this year by commemorating our 100 year anniversary with a mission project. As part of our Centennial celebration, we are encouraging our students, parents, alumni and friends to join together to be a channel of blessing in service to others on the following projects with local, national and international reach.

Centennial Mission Service Project Opportunities

"The King will reply, 'truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.'" Matthew 25:40

Local Project

Covenant Partners Community Service Day

Saturday, April 27 noon-4:00 pm

On April 27, we are offering a local opportunity to participate in a "hands-on" service project. Minnehaha Academy students, parents and alumni will work alongside representative members of the Covenant Churches of the Northwest Conference and assist those in our neighborhood with home projects. We hope to have 100 volunteers.

National Project

Good Neighbors, Staffordsville, Kentucky

Saturday-Friday, March 17-22

Good Neighbors, founded by Minnehaha Academy alum Jason Benedict '96, is a nonprofit organization that repairs homes and restores hope while bringing God's love to the Appalachian Mountains. Good Neighbors provides home or automobile repair on a one-time basis for working families, followed up by financial training to ensure continued self-sufficiency. In turn, recipients give a day of their time to help their neighbor-in-need. For the past three years, Minnehaha Academy has sent a Cultural Field Experience (CFE) team of students to Good Neighbors for a week long project. Students work alongside those being assisted by Good Neighbors. This year, we are welcoming any interested alumni who wish to travel with this team to spend a week on site at Good Neighbors as part of the Centennial Mission Project. Visit <http://www.goodneighbors-inc.org> to learn more about Good Neighbors. To reserve your spot to travel with the CFE team to Kentucky, contact Rev. Dave Elliott, Elliott@MinnehahaAcademy.net by Monday, January 7, 2013.

International Project

Covenant Kids Congo—A partnership to build Ledia

Our goal is to raise \$10,000 to provide clean water and sanitation for 4,000 households. Seventy-five years ago, Covenant missionaries traveled by ocean steamer to what is known today as the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DR Congo) and built a hospital and medical mission at Karawa near Gemina. As a result, hundreds of local citizens have

been trained as nurses, pastors, and educators and continue the good work started so long ago. While much has been accomplished, the need in DR Congo continues to be great. On the United Nations Index of Human Development, DR Congo ranks dead last out of 187 countries. It also ranks in the bottom eight countries for acute malnutrition. Three out of four people have no access to clean water, and every year, 82,000 children under the age of five die due to malaria.

The Covenant church in Congo is almost twice the size of our church in North America (and now the world's largest Covenant church) The Evangelical Covenant Church is thankful both for God's grace and growth of the church in Congo and our opportunity to partner with Minnehaha Academy and other organization in meaningful ways to build Ledia.

A first of its kind partnership between the Covenant Church in Congo (CEUM), the Free Church in Congo (CECU), local Catholic parishes, World Vision, and the Evangelical Covenant Church (ECC), is already bringing about community and leadership development. Their collective vision for the city of Gemena is robust: clean water and sanitation, school and healthcare for kids, a strengthened regional agriculture, and economic development. The community leaders have christened this vision plan "Ledia" - which is Mbaka (a local language) for "a better community."

Gemena families and neighbors are partners in the area development program. The local families have mentioned their hope for clean water as an immediate need. Over the next few months the Minnehaha Academy community will have the opportunity to build Ledia through raising financial resources to construct a well for the people of Gemena.

Save The Date Now and make plans to join us. **All are welcome to participate in any or all of these opportunities.**

For more information about the Centennial Mission Projects contact Gayle Gilreath, Centennial Director at gilreathgayle@MinnehahaAcademy.net or 612-728-7796.

Centennial **Hall of Fame** Induction Ceremony

held on September 22, 2012

Many alumni, students and parents attended the first Arts and Athletic Halls of Fame Induction to recognize and honor the significant contributions of Minnehaha Academy alumni. Minnehaha's Centennial celebration was the perfect opportunity to establish a Hall of Fame program recognizing those alumni who have had exemplary high school careers representing Minnehaha Academy, and those who have made significant contributions in fine arts and athletics at the local, state or national levels. The Hall of Fame program sets a standard for Minnehaha Academy students and graduates to emulate. Individuals, as well as teams, are eligible for induction beginning five years after their Minnehaha Academy graduation.

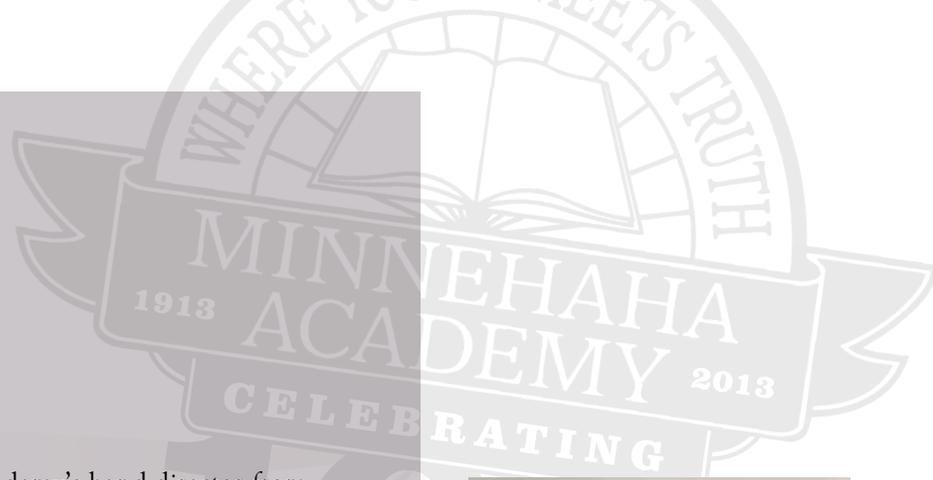
2012 FINE ARTS Inductees



Harry Opel, Minnehaha Academy's choral director from 1948-1985, shaped the instrumental and choral programs by performing only the highest quality music with Minnehaha's young musicians. He believed that only the best is appropriate in the service of God – a sentiment that inspires our music program to this day. In 1983, Opel was honored by the American Choral Directors Association with its F. Melius Christiansen Memorial Award, which is given to one outstanding choral director each year. In 1985, Governor Rudy Perpich issued a State of Minnesota Proclamation designating May 12, 1985, as "Harry P. Opel Day" for his work as choral director and his contributions as a soloist with the Bach Society, the Minnesota Orchestra, the Guthrie Theater, and the Minneapolis Civic Orchestra.



Gerald Nordstrom taught English, art, and theater at Minnehaha Academy for 34 years. He directed more than 50 plays and musicals, influencing multiple generations of Minnehaha Academy students. *The Music Man*, directed by Gerald Nordstrom, David Hepburn and Harry Opel, was the first full-scale musical production held in the renovated facility of the auditorium/gymnasium in the 1970s. Nearly 3,000 people saw the production, presented by a cast of 56 and supported by a 21-member orchestra. Nordstrom retired in 1993, but remained an active part of the school community, even writing a definitive book on the history of the school.



Lelia (Foote) Rodabaugh was Minnehaha Academy's band director from 1957-1968. Under her leadership, the Minnehaha Academy Concert Band performed for President Eisenhower in 1960, and represented Minnesota and the City of Lakes on tour at the 1962 World's Fair in Seattle. She also established the long-standing tradition of today's popular Minnehaha Pops Concerts. Foote was known for encouraging musical growth, inspiring students, and taking interest in her students' spiritual and personal development.



2012 Individual Athletic Inductees

Katie Detlefsen '07 is the only athlete in Minnesota, boy or girl, to win four consecutive individual state championships. Besides being named an All-State golfer, she was also a 4.0 scholar and earned All-State Academic status. Detlefsen went on to play college golf at Central Florida in Orlando on a full athletic scholarship. She earned both bachelor and master degrees in four years. As an NCAA collegiate athlete, she received the Dinah Shore Trophy in 2010, which is awarded to one female athlete in the country for the most outstanding cumulative G.P.A., scoring average, and community service. In 2011, she competed on the Canadian Women's Professional Tour. She has recently opened an LPGA, USGA golf club in Lakeville to help young girls ages 7-17 develop their skills. Keep an eye out for Detlefsen as she hopes to compete on the LPGA tour soon!



Jim Baxter '50 was the leading scorer for the 1950 hockey team (the team has also been inducted into the Hall of Fame this year). Baxter returned to Minnehaha Academy as a teacher and coach from 1957-1962, and coached the great 1959 football team (also inducted this year). While at Minnehaha he taught physical education, science and biology, and coached football, hockey and baseball. He also taught and coached at Minneapolis West, Washburn and Southwest high schools. Over his 50-year coaching career he influenced hundreds of athletes. In 1993, he was inducted into the Minnesota Hockey Hall of Fame, and in 2003, he was awarded the Cliff Thompson Award for outstanding long-term contributions to the sport of hockey in Minnesota. After retiring in 1992, he served as a volunteer assistant hockey coach with the Ely, Minnesota program. In January 2006, with many of his former players in attendance, Baxter received a Minnesota Wild Hockey jersey during a Wild game. The jersey, with the number 50, was in honor of his half-century of coaching.



2012 Athletic Team Inductees



1950 Boys' Hockey Team In a time when private schools were not yet permitted to play in the newly formed Minnesota State High School League State Hockey Tournament, the 1950 Minnehaha Boys' Hockey Team was the Minneapolis Private School League Champion. That year, Minnehaha's icemen led the league in both offense and defense, averaging three goals a game and holding opponents to fewer than one goal per game.

Coached by Vincent Anderson, this team defeated the likes of Concordia, Breck, Minneapolis West, Park, St. Agnes, and the powerhouses of Shattuck and even Edina to take the title.



1959 Football Team The 1959 Boys' Football Team was something special. Perhaps it was the rain, mud, and cold winds they endured, or the rain, mud, and cold winds blasting the fans who cheered them on. Perhaps it was the unprecedented eight players who were named to the All-Conference team. Maybe it was their fine coach and alum, Jim Baxter. Whatever their secret was, the Indians went undefeated in the Minnesota Independent School League that year to become the MISL Champions.



1960 Boys' Golf Team played a series of nine competitive games against the fierce competition of SPA, Blake, Shattuck, Concordia, Breck, and DeLaSalle. They were undefeated, and became the Minnesota Independent School League Champions under the guidance of coach Chuck Sulack. Roger Miller was one of three class members from 1960 who created the Minnehaha Academy Engman Golf Classic to honor classmate Bruce Engman who had died. The golf classic, now in its 32nd

year,
for Minnehaha

continues to provide scholarships

golf athletes.



1986 Boys' Tennis Team In 1986, the Boys' Tennis Team won the Tri-Metro Conference Region Five, then continued on to win the Minnesota State High School Meet. This was the first time Minnehaha tennis had ever won either of these competitions. They only lost one meet all year, to the previous years' state champs—St. Cloud Cathedral. While the team was talented but young, they gained a mental edge according to their coach, Forrest

Dahl. He also attributed their accomplishment to the strength and depth of the team, along with the ability to overcome obstacles, such as injury or inexperience, in championship play. The Minnehaha boys went into tournament play as underdogs and came out as champions, defeating an over-confident

Edina team.

1998 Girls' Soccer Team Under the coaching of alum Mark Anderson '79, the 1998 Girls' Soccer Team finished out their perfect 23-0 season by winning the State Class A Championship in an exciting 2-0 victory over St. Louis Park. The team was led by a dominant defense, key to starting attacks, and many defenders had goals or assists to their credit. The team left many records in their wake: first season sweep, most wins in one season (23), most shutouts (22), fewest goals against (2), and first state title. Theirs was Minnehaha's first state title in athletics following the Boys' Tennis Team in 1986.



Alumni Awards

It has been a longstanding tradition at Homecoming to honor alumni for significant contributions to the community through the Distinguished Alumnus Award and the Up and Coming Alumnus Award. This presentation was made during the Hall of Fame program this year.

Distinguished Alumnus

Elwood 'Woody' Larson graduated from Minnehaha in 1947, and received an education degree from Augsburg College in 1952. He became an agent in the Counter-Intelligence Corps of the U.S. Army during the Korean War. In 1960, he founded Hospitality House Boys' Club of Minneapolis, now known as Hospitality House Youth Development. The mission of Hospitality House is to introduce young people to Christ and His abundant life daily, while preparing them to be productive, successful members and leaders in their community and the world. In the last 52 years, Hospitality House Youth Development has served thousands of boys and girls on the north side of Minneapolis, making a huge impact on countless lives and the city. In June 1993, Larson was honored at the National Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church in America with the Theodore W. Anderson Award for his work with youth in the church and the inner city. Mayor R.T. Rybak proclaimed October 21, 2010, "Woody Larson Day" in the City of Minneapolis for his dedication to inner-city kids.



Up and Coming Alumnus

Ellen (Higginbotham) Ruiters graduated from Minnehaha Academy in 1993, and earned a degree from Gustavus Adolphus College in 1997. She began her career with Right Step Academy, and held leadership positions with Youth Frontiers, Tree House, and the Youth Forum Summer Festival. While living in South Africa, Higginbotham was inspired to help the children of Cape Town. She founded Africa Jam in 2001 with the mission to train youth in the Christian faith, empowering them through arts, education, leadership training, and music. Today, the program reaches 10,000 young people in 20 schools and community centers. More than 500 leaders have been trained, and they currently organize more than 200 volunteers. Africa Jam's amazing growth has been possible only through the will of South Africa's young people and the incredible grace of God.





Visit Minnehaha Academy's Alumni House

Alumni House Puts Out the Welcome Mat

Attention all alumni, parents, students, faculty, staff, and friends of Minnehaha Academy! The Alumni House invites you to come on in!

The Alumni House is a great location to spend some time with friends and relatives from the Minnehaha community – perhaps people you've known well and some you might be meeting for the first time. It's a place to walk through history, to read the "news" of Minnehaha's past, and to recall the events that made those hallowed halls ring with life! Come alone, or bring your friends or family. Share your own Minnehaha stories over a cup of coffee. Learn about the passionate people who founded the school. Sign the guest register that dates back to 1914.

Why Not Hold Your Next Meeting at Minnehaha Academy Alumni House?

The house offers a pleasant gathering site for groups who wish to hold on-campus meetings, and also provides access to school archives and resources. Memorable and inviting, the space accommodates up to 12 people, has technology available for presentations, and houses Minnehaha's digital archives. The house is open Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m., or by appointment.

Contact Information:

To schedule a meeting at the Alumni House, contact Jane Anfang, Alumni and Parent Relations Manager, at anfangjane@MinnehahaAcademy.net or 612-728-7721.

If you have an archival question or if you are seeking information from the archives, please contact Elaine Ekstedt, Chair – Centennial History Committee, at ekstedt@MinnehahaAcademy.net or 612-729-8321 Ext. 2207.

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To thank you for your referral, parents, employees and alumni will receive \$500* for each student referred to us during our centennial year. It's easy!! Here's how you can participate:

- Current parents and employees, complete the referral form from the parent menu in RORS: This link will direct you to the RORS login page: <https://www.MinnehahaAcademy.net/fis/index.php>
- Alumni, email the prospective family contact information to Admissions at: admission@MinnehahaAcademy.net
- The Admission office will notify you upon receipt of your referral.

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Learning

Minnehaha Theater: Tackling issues of race and cultural diversity



When Minnehaha Academy announced the fall musical, **Big River, The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn** (November 8-10), some students expressed concern about the strong language and racial issues woven into the script.

To address these concerns, the school provided a workshop for student performers with actors from Penumbra, the nationally renowned African American theatre company. The workshop explored topics of race, cultural diversity, and language in this musical adaptation of Mark Twain's *Huckleberry Finn*.

According to Nicholas Freeman, Minnehaha's Film and Theater Director: "Our brave students were able to ask tough questions [and] share their feelings. [They] were provided a safe environment to tackle these tough issues." Freeman, a professional actor himself, said the goal of the workshop was to equip students with the right language and knowledge to act as "ambassadors" to Minnehaha in discussing the challenging cultural topics featured in this production.

About Big River

The musical adaptation of Twain's timeless classic sweeps us down the mighty Mississippi River as the irrepressible Huck Finn helps his friend Jim, a slave, escape to freedom at the mouth of the Ohio River. Their adventures along the way are hilarious, suspenseful and heartwarming.

After opening up auditions to Minnehaha students, the school also put out an invitation to surrounding schools looking for a student who would be interested in the opportunity to play the character of Jim, the runaway slave assisted by Huckleberry Finn. The Main Street School of Performing Arts responded, resulting in one of their students joining the Minnehaha cast. "I needed to find an African American student who [had the ability to] handle the vocal demands of this role ... Jim has some powerful songs that need to be sung at a high level," said Freeman.

This fall, several Upper School history and literature classes have been reading Mark Twain's book and discussing issues of race and cultural diversity. Paulita Todhunter, Minnehaha Academy's Director of Diversity, has played a significant role in promoting constructive discussion around this topic. "Huck comes to the realization that he wants no part of civil society if it means returning Jim to slavery," she said. "This is a powerful notion for a young southern boy who totally goes against his upbringing to side with justice. This is a powerful message for the greater audience to hear."

Donna Harris, Ed.D., the President of Minnehaha Academy, agreed: "Providing opportunities for students to confront and engage in courageous dialogue about the harsh realities of the past paves the way for deeper understanding of, and respect for, racial and cultural differences. Negative stereotypes can be shattered while strong and lasting relationships are fostered."

Minnehaha's International Space Station Experiment



Why on earth would a group of sixteen teenagers work late on a Friday night in a science lab at Minnehaha Academy? Why, to send an experiment into outer space, of course!

According to seniors Ashley Lundeen and Nick Cochrane, student project leaders, a 16-member Minnehaha Academy team is designing an experiment that will launch on the International Space Station in March 2013. Testing an experiment aboard the ISS is a rare opportunity that most professional scientists will never have, and quite a coup for Minnehaha to land. It is the first high school in the Midwest—and one of only eight participating schools in the nation—to have a team of students design and build an experiment for testing on the ISS.

“The ISS project takes learning far beyond the confines of a classroom,” agreed Lundeen and Cochrane. “Designing a sophisticated experiment, being mentored by science professionals, and capitalizing on our teammates’ strengths to solve problems have taught us much more than we ever could have learned from a textbook.”

Minnehaha’s ISS Project Team members were selected by application last spring, and spent weeks of their summer learning basic computer programming and electronic circuitry. When school began in August, the project took off in earnest. The team researched possible experiments and chose an investigation on polymer formation in microgravity. Polymers are used in making many everyday materials including plastic bottles, nylon, paint, adhesives, diapers, Spandex, and credit cards.

Junior Hugh Mayo explained: “There’s gravity on the space station—just not much of it. So we decided to study how polymers coalesce in space at different temperatures.

We want to see if the drying polymers form differently in space than on Earth.” The real-world applications using pre-made polymers in space are endless, Mayo said, but one of the most practical uses is for “fixing things during space travel.”

MA’s “big team” is divided into three “small teams” working on mechanical, software, and prototype testing and design. Six adult scientists from the fields of engineering, software, and project development volunteer in mentoring these small specialty teams. MA science faculty members Sam Terfa and Nancy Cripe serve as co-mentors for the ISS project.

“To learn from mentors and work with them side-by-side on designing this project is a fantastic experience,” said senior student software specialist Kendra Hollenbeck ’13.

Part of the challenge of the polymer experiment is a size constraint: the entire experiment must fit within a 2-inch by 2-inch by 4-inch microlab. The experiment is scheduled for blastoff on March 7, 2013, for a two-month stay at the International Space Station. NASA astronauts will send data from Minnehaha’s microlab back to Earth several times a week and students will be able to analyze their experiment’s progress.

ISS team member Maddy Wong ’13 joked, “Our experiment is sort of like watching paint dry ... but in space!”



Sports in Review



Senior Catherine Simmons worked around her opponent with her eye for the net.

Girls' Soccer

The Girls' Soccer team is alive, strong and doing well at Minnehaha Academy. This year, the school fielded a Middle School, Upper School B Squad, Junior Varsity, and Varsity team. The B Squad was undefeated, and the JV only lost two games. The Varsity team finished second in the Tri-Metro Conference with a 14-4-1 record. They were ranked fifth or sixth the entire year in the state poll. Coach Mark Anderson '79 said, "We had a great time this season and the team members were wonderful representatives of Minnehaha and its athletics." He is looking forward to a strong returning group next year.

Boys' Soccer

The Minnehaha Boys' Varsity Soccer team had a successful year, going 8-1-1 in the Tri-Metro Conference, finishing second. The team allowed only 3 goals against during the regular season. The boys were ranked 11th in state for 1A soccer, and competed all year against teams that ranked in the state's top 10 in both 1A and 2A. The team played high-caliber soccer, improving on last year's record with its own brand of soccer. According to coach Ben Linder

'94, "We try and possess the ball for the majority of the game, as well as play a very tough and determined way of defending." Although 12 of the 15 boys on the roster are graduating and will be greatly missed, the future is bright for the boys' program.

Boys' Cross-Country

The Minnehaha Boys' Cross-Country season started with high expectations and carried those expectations through a lot of hard work and passion in their practices. The boys went 79-1 during the regular season, only losing to St. Michael Albertville at a September Invitational. They accumulated victories at the Conference race, Red Knight Invitational, Lake City Invite, Amery Invite, Swain Invite, Conference Championships, and Section 4A Championships.

The boys headed into the state meet ranked third in state and with high expectations. The race did not go as planned, however, and the boys found themselves in a difficult spot. While they still finished eighth and in the top half of the state, the boys were disappointed. Coach Christian Zimmerman reflected, "That one race should not determine what otherwise was a fantastic and successful season for Minnehaha

Boys' Cross-Country." To be noted, Ethan Wagner '13 achieved All-State distinction, as well as Luke Brown '13 and Mark Lind '13, who were named All-State Academic. The boys' team also qualified for Academic Team Gold award.

Girls' Cross-Country

The Minnehaha Girls' Cross-Country season was focused throughout the summer and into the season. The captains made it a goal to achieve something they hadn't achieved since 2003—a state team berth. The entire team bought into that goal and the season was full of challenges that seasoned them when it came time to perform, finishing with a record of 70-12.

One of the highlights of the regular season was winning the Lake City Invite against two teams that were ranked ahead of them. As the season came down to the championship time, the girls finished third at the prestigious Swain Invite and at Conference Championships, where they finished second on a tie. At sections, the girls put their goals and passion on the course against the number 4, 9 and 12-ranked teams in the state. Upending number 4, the girls qualified for state and had achieved their season goal. As state loomed on the horizon, the girls wanted to put their best foot forward because the field was very open. At the state meet, the girls ran a great race and were overjoyed to land on the podium with a third-place finish! Of note, Katherine Lubar '13 and Nicole Nipper '13 were named All-State Academic. The girls' team also qualified for Academic Team Gold this year.

Football

This year 50 players were part of

the 2012 MA football program. The season started with a two-day retreat to Lake Beauty Bible Camp. Camp director Brian Alnes '86 was happy to host the team for two days of service projects, practice, fellowship and fun. Coach Collin Quinn described it as an "amazing way to start the season." He said, "It definitely brought the team together."

The team ended the season with an overall record of five wins and five losses. Within the Tri-Metro Conference they scored three wins and two losses, finishing in third place. The team was excited to advance to the second round of the season playoffs. They were more excited to win Minnehaha's Centennial Homecoming game, 23-17, against Breck! The team had four First Team All-Conference Players: Dane Birkeland '14, Charlie Gilbertson '13, Keenan Baynard '13, and Hans Carlson '15. Senior Eamonn Manion won the Academic All-State honor. Earning offensive MVP was Keenan Baynard, with more than 1,100 yards rushing and 9 touchdowns. Earning defensive MVP was Charlie Gilbertson, with 60 tackles, 6 sacks, 3 caused fumbles, 1 interception, and 1 blocked kick.

Girls' Volleyball

The Redhawks went 22-7 this season under the new head coach, Kelley Gowling. The ladies finished third in the Tri-Metro Conference, only losing to Visitation and St. Croix Lutheran. They took first place in the Knights Invitational at Irondale High School, and second place in the Benilde-St. Margaret's tournament. The Ladyhawks played a well-fought match against the Concordia Academy Beacons in the 4AA section playoffs, but had a disappointing loss to end their season. Volleyball members named to the Tri-Metro All Conference



The Redhawks hosted a win over Breck in the Homecoming game, 23-17.

team were senior Natalie Welsch and juniors Viola Holman and Becky Singletary. The Redhawks are in great position for next season!

Girls' Tennis

The 2012 Girls' Varsity Tennis team rostered three veteran seniors but also welcomed five first-year team members! "It was great to see the team gel and fall into a comfortable and strong lineup fairly quickly in the season," said Coach Karin Kispert. "They all worked hard, improved their skills, and fought hard for an overall satisfying 8-7 season record. This was an amazing group of girls who represented MA very well, and we had a lot of fun!" The highlight was a win against rival Mounds Park Academy during the regular season. Senior Camille Warren played number 1 singles all season, achieving an impressive top-10 Class A ranking along with All-Conference honors. Sophomore Jennifer Mrozek also earned All-Conference. Senior Bryanna Williamson and junior Jess Von Arx were named All-Conference Honorable Mention.



Minnehaha's Camille Warren returning the serve with gusto!
Photo by Alexander Lindberg

United, the co-op swim team made up of swimmers from Minnehaha Academy, Saint Anthony Village High School, DeLaSalle, Mounds Park Academy, St. Croix Lutheran, and St. Agnes. The team enjoyed a winning season record of 5-4, conference and non-conference meets included. Of its 13 records, the co-op team broke 9 this season, and their section team scored 50 points more than last season. For the first time in more than six years, a swimmer made it to the state meet in the 200-Meter Individual Medley.

Swimming and Diving

It was a successful season for Metro

Around the School



The South Campus students and teachers enjoyed a festive First Day of Our 100-Year-Old School! with a celebrity appearance from Minnehaha's very own mascot, the Redhawk.



AP History class had an Antebellum Dinner Party during class. The students played the roles of Antebellum Reformers from the 1830s.

Lower and Middle School teachers organized more than 100 students and faculty members into a flash mob to celebrate Minnehaha's 100th year.



On a brisk fall Friday, October 5, 100 bottles of Diet Coke™ and numerous Mentos™ were delivered to the South Campus lawn for the Mentos™ 100 Challenge. Lower and Middle School students, parents, teachers and staff took part in the challenge—a science experiment showing the reaction between Mentos™ candies and Diet Coke™.



The Kindergarten classes spent a morning drinking tea and learning how to eat rice with chopsticks during their unit on Japan.

Each fall seventh graders begin their River Project with a day at the shores of the great Mississippi.





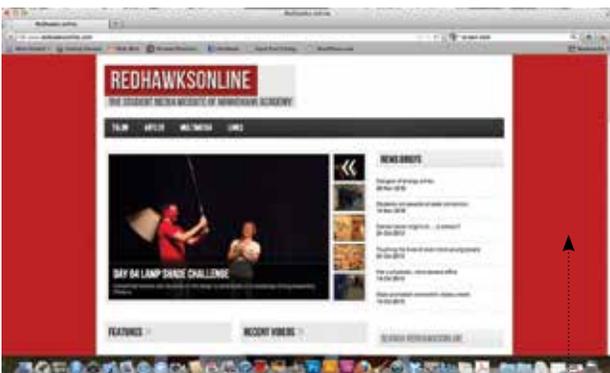
Middle School students recently enjoyed their rock identification lab. They conducted a variety of tests and made observations, comparing their results to published findings in order to identify their rocks.

Lower School students held a Science Fair on October 11. Students from kindergarten through grade five set up science fair projects and presented their findings to other students, visiting families, and a judge. Students visited exploration stations and enriched their science knowledge with creative hands-on activities such as Newton's Laws through Balloons, and Building Bubbles with Carbon



If you can't catch a big fish you might as well make one! This was the chosen solution for the big fish needed in the theater department's performance of "Big River." Pictured is art teacher Nate Stromberg '96 holding his carefully crafted foam catfish. The fish comes complete with a slit in its belly for easy removal of "entrails."

The Fall Vocal Festival is an annual showcase of Minnehaha Academy's 4th through 12th-grade choirs. Each group performed two pieces alone, and all the choirs combined sang three pieces including "O God of Wonders," our school's newly created Centennial Hymn. The performing groups included the 4th and 5th-grade classes, the Middle School choir and general music class, and Upper School Men's Choir, Women's Chorale, Singers, and Madrigal Singers. How fun to hear these talented choirs together!



Check out the website created by Minnehaha students to learn about the school from their point of view: www.redhawksonline.com



Remember the Past, Relish the Present, Renew the Promise

Looking back on their daughter's time at Minnehaha, Roy and Carol Kraft are filled with gratefulness. "A Minnehaha education is one of the best investments I have ever made," said Roy. Their daughter, Christina, came to Minnehaha Academy in sixth grade and graduated in 2003. Her experience, and theirs, led the Krafts to be loyal supporters of the Minnehaha Fund.

Initially, they chose Minnehaha Academy for Christina because their friends and neighbors had great things to say about the school. And then they experienced it firsthand. "You can't help but be part of the community once your child is here; you're encouraged to be actively involved," said Roy. Carol added, "We went on field trips and volunteered at the Arena Sale. We got to know people quickly. It was easy to network and become friends with other parents."

Christina quickly acclimated to Minnehaha and was grateful for the Christian environment. She appreciated being able to talk about her faith with other people who shared her same feelings and beliefs. In addition to the common faith experience, Carol said it was the positive influence of teachers and other students that helped Christina grow and change into the confident woman that she is today. "The role modeling that she received at Minnehaha was so excellent that it made me examine my own behavior."

The Krafts agree that this environment and the opportunity for Christina to develop more fully and live out her faith set Minnehaha apart from other schools and other experiences. "What we really appreciated is that Minnehaha was more than just the academics; it was a nurturing environment," Roy said. "Attending here really built her confidence, and prepared her for the rigors of college life — the academic, spiritual and emotional rigors. Teachers identified her strengths and encouraged her to



Parents of Christina Kraft '03 continue to support Minnehaha Academy.

develop them." When Christina graduated from Minnehaha she received an academic scholarship to the University of St. Thomas. "There is definitely a foundation laid here; our daughter did not skip a beat going on to college and then out into the world."

But that's not the end of the story! Carol added with excitement, "God had a plan when He brought us to Minnehaha." You see, like many high school girls before her, Christina met her husband at Minnehaha Academy. Christina Kraft and a young man named Josh—whose last name was also Kraft—got to know each other when they were assigned adjacent lockers (alphabetical order!). They started dating as juniors at Minnehaha, and got married in 2007. Their wedding party included other Minnehaha classmates who were maid-of-honor and best man.

When it comes time to think about giving back, the Krafts say the choice is easy. "We give to thank Minnehaha for its importance in our daughter's upbringing. We want to donate to Minnehaha because we know they will use the money to ensure that other families and students have the experience that we had."



In addition to giving gifts annually in support of the Minnehaha Fund, the Krafts have also made a provision in their estate plan for Minnehaha Academy. “What Minnehaha Academy did for Christina is an ongoing legacy, and we want to continue to help out, even after we’re gone,” said Roy.

They continue to see the impact of Minnehaha on Christina’s life, and give because they’ve been blessed. “The six years Christina spent here were instrumental, but just because we’re done with those six years doesn’t mean we’re done with our commitment to the cause.”

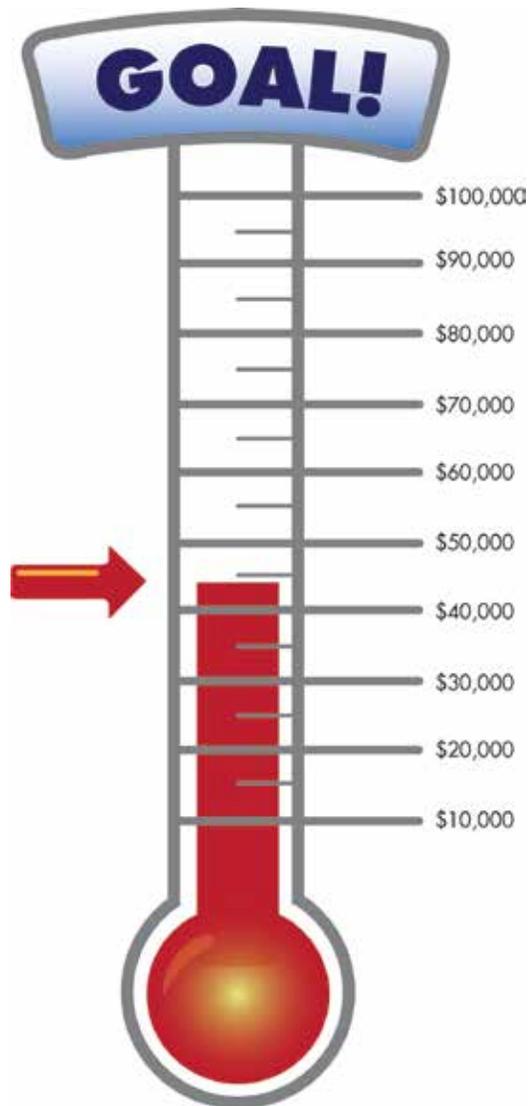
Challenge of the 100s

In celebration of Minnehaha’s Centennial, students are participating in what’s been dubbed “Challenge of the 100s,” a series of games and fun activities centered around the “100” theme. (See pictures from the 100 bottles of Coke and Mentos experiment on page 22).

Now you, too, have an important opportunity to participate in the Challenge of the 100s! In honor of Minnehaha’s birthday, a generous donor has agreed to match all new gifts up to \$100,000. If you’ve never given before, this year is the perfect time to start. As Roy Kraft said, “The hardest part about giving is just starting. But once you start, you see the snowball effect and you want to just keep giving.” At Minnehaha, that snowball effect is real: your gift joins other gifts to transform students – through interaction with caring teachers, experiences in activities, and challenging messages in chapel.

Join the Challenge of the 100s by taking that first step and making a gift today. Your gift will make a tremendous difference for our students –and it will have double the impact with the Challenge in play.

Thank you for your gift to Minnehaha to ensure a vibrant future for the next 100 years. You can give using either the enclosed envelope or online at MinnehahaAcademy.net.



Heritage & Hope

SCHOLARSHIP

CENTENNIAL

Heritage & Hope Scholarship Dinner

HONORING ALUMNI



As part of our Centennial this year's Heritage & Hope Scholarship Dinner will recognize and honor our alumni. Each alumni story is a unique thread interwoven into the fabric of Minnehaha's heritage of how Christian faith and learning has shaped lives for 100 years. Our future is certain as we rely on our legacy—to continue providing students with an excellent education, building solid foundations for their future.

Sunday, March 10

5–5:30 p.m. Reception

5:30–6:30 p.m. Dinner and Program

DoubleTree by Hilton, Bloomington-Minneapolis South
7800 Normandale Blvd. Minneapolis, MN 55439

Make plans now to attend the Centennial
Heritage & Hope Scholarship Dinner.

A special effort is being made to have
alumni representation from each
and every graduating class.

You won't want to miss it.

The Heritage & Hope Scholarship Dinner helps to build the
Heritage & Hope Scholarship Fund. Last year, 220
students received scholarship assistance making it
possible for them to attend Minnehaha Academy.
You will hear from students, families, alumni and donors
who will share about how Minnehaha Academy has
changed lives.

There is no cost to attend. Attendees will have the opportunity to make a donation that will go directly toward education, and profoundly affect students for a lifetime.

For more information contact Angi Aguirre, Advancement Office at angi@MinnehahaAcademy.net or 612-728-7722.

Dan Bergstrom upper school chaplain, north campus

Education: *B.A. in social welfare, University of Minnesota; M.A.C.E. from Bethel Seminary; orientation studies at North Park.*

Years teaching at Minnehaha Academy: *Thirty.*

Classes I teach: *9th grade Introduction to Reading the Bible and 10th grade Life and Teachings of Christ.*

Hometown: *Minneapolis, Minnesota.*

Family: *Wife (Terri), two sons (Isaac '09 and Keenan '12), one dog (Otto).*

Interests and hobbies: *Fishing, camping, gardening, woodworking, reading.*

How would your students describe you? *As chaplain, I hope they continue to describe me as "safe." As a teacher, I'm not sure how I'm described other than "one who tells lame jokes."*

Currently reading: *"The Burning Shore" by Wilbur Smith.*

What inspires your teaching? *To see students read and interpret, in an appropriate way, the biblical text.*

Who are your role models? *Bill Moyers, Bono, Jim Wallis.*

When did you decide to become a teacher and/or chaplain? *I was a pastor in a small town in western Minnesota and still single, so I decided I needed to head back to a larger city to meet women. I liked the idea of the structure of a school setting.*

Favorite music: *Old stuff like Steely Dan, Doobie Brothers, Chicago, and new stuff like Adele, Dave Matthews.*

Favorite holiday: *Hmmm. As a chaplain I should say Easter, but in truth it probably is Christmas with a fire in the stove and kids at home.*

Memorable Minnehaha experience: *1. Serious ones: There are many, but there have been two or three incidents where God's spirit has surprised everyone by showing up in an unbelievable way. One I can easily recall was when a student gave his letter jacket to another student who was suffering from malignant tumors of the brain. It was a small act of love that sent ripples of God's grace and presence throughout the school community. It wasn't done for show—we learned about it later—but a true act of God's love, and it moved the whole Upper school community. Funny ones: First, the streaker in Chapel. Second, when teacher Liz Van Pilsum couldn't figure out why her classroom was so cold until the custodian discovered a light bulb against the thermostat.*



Minnehaha Academy

2012-2013 Board of Education



Pictured above is the 2012-2013 Minnehaha Academy Board of Education. First Row (left to right): Ms. Leah McLean; Ms. Jane Matheson; Ms. Carol Sundet-Meeker; Rev. Kay Sorvik, Secretary; Mr. David Anderson, Chair; Dr. Donna Harris, President; Rev. Mark Stromberg, Superintendent; Mr. Alan Bergstrom, Treasurer; Dr. Louise Wilson, Vice Chair; Mr. Norman Hagfors; Mr. Todd Nelson; Ms. Kathy Parten. Second Row (left to right): Mr. Troy Lucht; Rev. John Jacobi; Mr. John Douglass; Mr. James Lundell; Ms. Polly Wright; Dr. Clarke Tungseth; Mr. Thomas Johnson; Mr. Jeffrey Pope, Mr. Kelly Griffin; Mr. John Ahlquist; Mr. Patrick Simmons; Mr. Thomas Verdoorn. Not Pictured: Ms. Gwen Peters, Mr. Nathan Sonstegard, and Rev. John Foley.

This is, in case it has escaped your attention, Minnehaha Academy's centennial. As members of the Minnehaha Academy Board of Education, we consider it a privilege to serve our School in this capacity at this time.

In cooperation with administration, faculty, staff and parents, the Board has committed itself, as the School's governing body, to developing and gradually implementing a renewed strategic vision for the School. At its September retreat, the Board adopted a series of specific goals for this year and beyond. In addition, each of the Board's six standing committees – Advancement, Facilities, Finance, Mission and Vision, Northwest Conference Liaison, and Trusteeship – has formulated initiatives for action around the Board's goals:

- sharpening the focus on student enrollment and retention,
- building a platform for sustainable funding,

- developing facilities, both physical and virtual, befitting a 21st-century school,
- adopting promising nontraditional and future learning methodologies,
- strengthening relationships among the School's multiple constituencies,
- evaluating and improving institutional policy, and
- continuing to enhance the Board's governing capabilities.

In all of this, the Board is mindful that Minnehaha Academy adherence to mission has not strayed and must never stray. What better time could there be to eye the horizon and envision Minnehaha Academy's future as an ever more effective organization for introducing youth to truth?

David Anderson, Board Chair

Minnehaha Academy welcomes new Board of Education members

MINNEHAHA ACADEMY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS



Todd Nelson '79 is a Senior Vice President with Northern Trust, where he leads its Minnesota private and commercial banking practice. He has 27 years of banking experience, and has held leadership and board-level roles with several Minnesota banks.

Todd is a third-generation graduate of Minnehaha Academy. He earned a B.S. from the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management, and an M.B.A. from Claremont Graduate University's Drucker School of Management.

He has served on the boards of The Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, The Winona County Historical Society, and The East Calhoun Community Organization. He has also been involved with Toastmasters, Junior Achievement, and various choral groups.

Todd and his wife, Beth '79, have five children; three currently attend Minnehaha. They attend Wooddale Church, where he is a choir member.



Nathan Sonstegard '93 is a Manager of Corporate Finance at 3M. He has more than 12 years of experience, most of which have been dedicated to providing general business, transaction and accounting advice in connection with acquisitions, divestitures and capital raising throughout the world. Nathan has

worked on mergers and acquisitions totaling more than \$35 billion. His merger, acquisition and divestiture experience includes both international and domestic transactions, and encompasses a wide range of industries.

Nathan holds a B.S. from Willamette University, and an M.B.A. from the University of St. Thomas. Nathan and his wife, Hilary '93, are Chairs of the Centennial Alumni Committee.

Nathan and Hilary have two children, one in first grade and one in pre-kindergarten at Minnehaha Academy. They attend Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

NORTHWEST CONFERENCE APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS



Troy Lucht is the President of Malmberg's, a wholesale and retail greenhouse with facilities in Brooklyn Center and Rogers. He is a member of Roseville Covenant Church. He has served in numerous leadership positions, both inside and outside the church, for many years. In one of his most recent leadership roles,

he served as Chair of the Northwest Conference Executive Board; he has also served as its Treasurer.

Troy and his wife, Karen, have three children; one is a graduate of Minnehaha Academy and another is a junior at Minnehaha.



Polly Wright '77 is the owner of Wright Alliances, which provides creative marketing solutions that build brands and acquire and retain loyalty. Her experience includes more than 20 years in sales, marketing communications and business development.

Polly serves on the leadership board for Christian Business Women's Fellowship. She has been a member of Faith Covenant Church for more than 18 years, and currently serves on the church council. She was also in leadership for Bible Study Fellowship for 15 years.

Polly's family ties to Minnehaha go back 60 years. Polly and her husband, Brian, have two adult children who are both Minnehaha graduates.



Dr. Clarke Tungseth holds the ex officio position on the Board as the NWC Executive Board Liaison Member. Clarke is a semi-retired radiologist in Waconia. He was a member of the Christian Medical Association and Alpha Omega Alpha (medical honor society), named on five "best doctors"

lists, and awarded a fellowship in the American Academy of Radiology. He is an alumnus of North Park University and the University of Minnesota Medical School. Clarke and his wife, Iris, are members of Excelsior Covenant Church. An interesting side note: as a child, Clarke did lawn work for Minnehaha's retired President, T.W. Anderson!

WHAT'S THE DEAL?

What's the deal with the Arena Sale? The idea began in the minds of Minnehaha moms as a way to raise funds for school programs. In 1974 the first Minnehaha Garage Walk was held, and since then, it has grown and grown, and is now known as the Arena Sale. It did not happen with the help of just a few but because of the commitment of many. Thirty-eight years later we are thankful for everyone who has been involved, and offer our special thanks to "retiring" Sporting Goods department heads Raymond Boyle and Stan Wendland.

The Arena Sale continues to be a wonderful community builder for the school - parents of alumni look forward to coming back to help so that they can visit with their friends and many friendships have been built and grown while helping at the sale. Over the years, we've heard many stories and often overhear at school, "Hey, I like your shirt/pants/tie/jacket/skirt," and the now unsurprising response is "thank you, I got it at the Arena Sale!"

Here's the deal from this year: the weather cooperated which made it easier for those who began standing in line in the wee hours of the morning. More than 400 people were lined up around 42nd street waiting for the doors to open at 9 am! The Arena Sale raised \$80,000 which benefits all of the students, as funds raised support faculty development, academic, arts and athletic programs and student experiences. Thank you to all who were part of the big deal which is the Arena Sale; mark your calendar for September 13 & 14, 2013 and come celebrate the sale; we hope you will be part of the Big Deal!



Looks like someone will be outside biking soon!



Volunteers Peg Albrecht, Connie Fukuda, David Clark.



Volunteers Betsy Bakke, Cheryl Tentbar, Carole Treichler, Dawn Ostrem.



Volunteer Sharon Peterson covering the



Discriminating shoppers always take a test drive.



Parents Jennifer Eisenhuth, Janine Trutna, and Becky Eggers in



It was easy to fill your arms in the toy



Wendell Carlson, Byron Thompson, Dan Meyers, Dan

Minnehaha memories?

Gifts today can have a long-lasting impact



What were your most memorable moments at Minnehaha Academy? Was it acting in a school play, going to a dance, or playing on one of the school's championship teams? Maybe you were at Minnehaha for one of its milestone events – perhaps you helped launch “The Spirit,” or you were one of the first students to cheer for the Redhawks or to walk the halls of the school's new campus. Perhaps your fondest memories stem simply from daily activities at Minnehaha – studying in the library, catching up with classmates during lunch, or just getting the best seat in a favorite class.

Countless memories have been made at Minnehaha Academy, and new ones are created every day. Thanks to staff and students, the school has shaped an indelible legacy and touched the lives of many. As you recall your time at Minnehaha, we hope you find that your experiences have been a blessing in your life, and that the school's mission to integrate Christian faith with quality education was evident during your time here.

It is Minnehaha's goal to continue to fulfill that mission today and in the future: to provide a healthy learning environment where children can grow in faith. If you would like to support this mission, consider giving a deferred gift for Minnehaha Academy to support the growth of the school and to give future students the opportunities for their own memory-making experiences.

Minnehaha Academy has partnered with Covenant

Trust Company (CTC) to make deferred giving to the school easier. Kevin Lawson, CTC's Financial Service Representative for Minnehaha, can help you name the school as a beneficiary in your Trust or Will so that you can support the school beyond your lifetime. By making Minnehaha Academy a part of your legacy through a deferred gift, you can help ensure that the school's legacy touches the lives of students for generations to come.

For more information on how to get started, please call Gayle Gilreath, Director of Development at Minnehaha at (612)728-7796, or via email at GilreathGayle@MinnehahaAcademy.net.

Covenant Trust Company is a partner with Minnehaha Academy's Planned Giving program. For additional information, please contact Kevin at (877)222-3960, or contact him via email at kelawson@covenanttrust.com.



REUNIONS!



1946



1947

68 members of the classes of 1946 and 1947 gathered for their 65th reunion on October 18, 2012, at Becketwood-Wellington Dining Room on West River Parkway. Wally Bratt opened the afternoon with a welcome and grace before a delicious dinner. Rev. Donald Madvig '46 was Master of Ceremonies, with John '47 and Mary (Chamberlain '46) Anderson presenting a musical program. Donna Harris, Minnehaha President, brought them up-to-date on school activities and the Centennial celebration. Of special note: the event was attended by Evangeline Peterson, a former MA librarian and Latin teacher who recently celebrated her 100th birthday; and Louise (Stocke) Anderson, who first taught at MA in 1947 and was remembered for including boys in her home economics class! To close, attendees sang the school song and "My Jesus I Love Thee." Rev. Madvig closed the reunion in prayer.

1946 First row, L to R: Mary (Fulton) C. Anderson, Dorothy (Sederberg) Olson, Bonnie (Anderson) Strom, Esther (Westlund) Martin, Eleanor Dahlquist, Audrey (Johnson) Behymer. Second row: Gladys (Lundstrom) Howell, Clyde Nordstrom, Ralph Albinson, Wesley Anderson, Chuck Lindstrom, Don Madvig, Jim Stocke, Lucy Olson Knudson.

1947 First row, L to R: Ruth (Nygen) Fiek, Alice (Berg) Wilcox, Joy (Engle) Ringold, Gladys (Wibeto) Lindstrom, Laverne (Wall) Madvig, Marjorie (Anderson) Holsten, Betty (Borg) Johnson. Second row: Doreen (Anderson) Shibrowski, Norma (Benson) Haglund, Magnhild (Opsahl) Easter, Carol (Nelson) Thompson, Corine (Swanson) Anderson, Eileen (Campbell) Voth, Carolyn (Luitjen) Erling. Third row: Eber Ekblad, John Anderson, Dan Pearson, Lewis Hedlund, Wally Bratt, Dave Park, A. Richard Petersen, Jerry Peterson.



1952

1952 The 60th Reunion for the class of 1952 was celebrated on September 22-23 at Becketwood. It began with a wonderful dinner on Saturday, with Tom Hofflander as emcee. On Sunday, many gathered again ... service, singing hymns and reading scripture verses from their 1952 Antler. Rev. Doug Morton spoke on "Remembering God's Faithfulness." The event brought back great memories from their time at Minnehaha. Former librarian Evangeline Peterson was able to join them for the chapel service and brunch. It was such a wonderful time that they hope to meet for an informal lunch in September 2013 to renew their friendships and their bond with Minnehaha.

First Row, L to R: Lucille (White) Black, Sally (Chellin) Bak, Bonita (Fenton) Ericksen, Rozanne (Anderson) Peterson, Nancy (Allen) Van Drunen, Marcia (Carlson) Berglund, Gail (Peterson) Dvorak, Shirley (Nelson) Reinertson, Marion (Homsten) Brakebill, Shirley (Nordling) Erickson, Verna (Mikkelson) Shotts, MaryLee (Milton) Denley, Eunice (Timmons) Hemingway, Mary (Nochol) Vogel, Faith (Walfried) Lindell, Beverly Wendell. Second row, L to R: Jim Swanson, Harold Olson, LeRoy Tunell, Ray Johnson, Tom Hofflander, Bruce Kjellberg, Terry Denley, Jerry Wiens.



1957 Darlene Lundquist '57 and Ken '51 Carlson hosted a homecoming brunch at their home to celebrate the 55th reunion, welcoming 10 members of the class of '57 and significant others (a total of 18 in all). **First row, L to R:** Joni (Lee) Lane, De (Anderson) Long, Darlene (Lundquist) Carlson, Mary (Tisdell) Nelson. **Second row, L to R:** Jim Redeske, Sandra (Gorke) Johnson, Betty (Ferden) Brat, Iris (Anderson) Porter, Nancy Hansen, Peter Hauge.



1962 The Minnehaha Class of 1962 celebrated their 50th year reunion with a dinner at Biaggi's Italian Restaurant in Eden Prairie, Minnesota on September 22, 2012. 53 people attended the dinner celebration. Dr. Donna Harris brought greetings from Minnehaha Academy. Several former Minnehaha teachers also attended: Ann (Franklin) and Guido Kauls, Margaret Nelson, Lelia (Foote) Rodabaugh and Zella Mae Sundin. Alumni came from several states including Arizona, Florida, Tennessee, Kansas, California, Colorado, Virginia and Minnesota to celebrate the milestone event. **First row:** Judy (Wilson) Grimes, LuAnn (Fisher) Abram, Sarah (Martinson) Swanson, Karen (Smith) Olson, Margaret (Johnson) DeGeest, Sharon (Schmidt) Stewart, ValJean (Bartley) Kellner. **Second row:** Allan Lau, Gary Parten, Richard Phelps, Beverly (Peterson) Olson, Grace (Nordley) Nyenhuis, Julie (Hoyer) Johnson, Mary (Dyrland) Person, Jack Nyquist, Nancy (Burr) Buboltz, Robert Noble. **Back row:** Chuck Bonnes, Don Stattine, Terry Hammink, Orlyn Lundborg, Gary Summers, Curt Olson, Dave Husbands, Bob Scurrah, Diane Mogck Scurrah, David Martin, Pam (Lavine) Charles, Dennis Larson, Ron Johnson. Attended but missing from photo: Nancy (King) Strathman, Sharon (Anderson) Engman, Sandra (Parkin) Smith.



1967 23 members of the Class of '67 gathered for their 45th reunion at the Embassy Suites Hotel in St. Paul on Saturday, September 22. Class president Alan Johnson emceed a brief program, and class members had a great time reminiscing and catching up. **First row, L to R:** Judy (Engdahl) Nowlin, Janelle (Olson) Saunders, Penny (Marcoe) Vick, Julie (Stromberg) Tutt, Nancy (Lieder) Rogers, Janet (Wilson) Hanks, Jeanne (Gustafson) Cutshall and Sharon (Brown) Larson. **Second row, L to R:** Diane Davidson Fitzel, Jim Wald, Sue (Kennend) Koetz, Deb (Jass) Ash and Violet Nelson. **Third row, L to R:** Val (Amundsen) Gibbons, Dave Anderson, Cam Hedlund, Gary Olson, Alan Johnson, John Buxie, Bob Cutshall, Bill Wickum, Scott Bjorklund and Brad Larson.



1972 The class of '72 enjoyed their 40th reunion at Kafe 421 in Dinkytown. The food was great and the company was even better! The class sent a message: "We're all very blessed to have been able to attend such a wonderful school."



1977 The class of 1977 welcomed 35 classmates to their 35-year reunion in the Minnehaha Academy Commons on September 22. Dr. Harris greeted the class with opening remarks, and Janet Johnson and Rev. Paul Swanson gave after-dinner speeches. Tom Kirkland was the trivia game leader, and Todd Benson served as master of ceremonies.

Pictured (approximately left to right and front to back): Joel Johnson, John Pjescich, Mike Sawyer, Linda (Holmes) Huggett, Karen BergJohnson, Sonja (Mickelberg) Fowler, Deanna (Smith) Noethe, Jean (Peterson) Tokar, Ena (Klashnya) Carroll, Susan (Eitriem) Poole, Janice Knight, Leslie (Peterson) Dixon, Diane (Eaton) Townsend, Judy (Anderson) Hermstad, Deb (Anderson) Eliason, Allison (Schulte) Blomberg, Lynda (Hollinger) Ganter, Nancy (Anderson) Gustafson, Mari (Aldrich) Nelson, Susan (Knowles)Benson, Sandy Johnson, Pamela (Kamp) Martinson, Kevan Moulton, Jan (Hildebrandt) Kruchoski, Jim Seburg, Tom Kirkland, Corey Kulseth, Dan Roufs, Mark Smith, Bill Martinson, Todd Benson, John Alton, Todd Anderson, Evan Whitby.

1987 (no photo available)
The class of 1987 had a fabulous reunion! On Friday night of Homecoming weekend a small group gathered a Crave downtown. On Saturday they had a great turnout at Pracna on Main where they all agreed that they have all become more beautiful with age. Dan Arden was looking especially fine sporting his long curly locks. They are already looking forward to the 30-year reunion.





1997

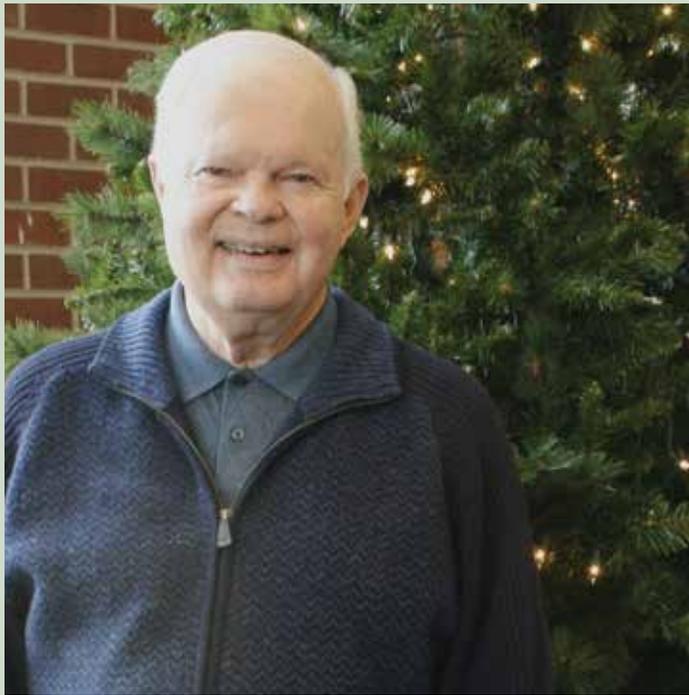
1997 The class of 1997 enjoyed a reunion at the Bryant Lake Bowl in Minneapolis. The event was family-friendly and six babies under six months of age attended the event. Classmates gathered from all over the country—even as far away as Hong Kong—to catch up with MA friends. From the far left: Todd Holmberg, Ellen (Ballesteros) Bergstrom, Kari Wickstrom, Matt Peterson, Heather Douglas, Zoey Cohen, Allison (Newhouse) Lindbloom, Bekki Peterson, Vanessa Knapp, Leah Mclean, Amy Schweickhardt, Ladley (Welfling) Duvall, Heidi (Greenwaldt) Verpy, Anjulet (Haugen) Manion, Romana Trilegi, Josephine (Puffaff) Kamara, Andy Ness, Greg Beale, Robin (Swenson) Troutwin, Steve Ashcroft, Guy Pugh, Nate Busscher, Scott Wade, Joy (Wade) Larson, Jim Emmerich, Kristi Boesen, McKenzie Tischendorf Thompson, Roxanne Henderson, John Ostman.



2002

1992 The Class of 1992 had a two-night 20-year celebration at Pinstripes and The Local. They enjoyed good conversation, lawn bowling, delicious food, a chocolate fountain, and the newly converted-to-digital class slide show. Their class is so cool that a couple of 1994 alumnae partook in the festivities. **First row, L to R:** Kari Johnson, Ann Seguin Thorkelson. **Second row, L to R:** Judi McElfresh, Krysta Morgenthaler, Nate Wald, Jill Simmons, Christa (Hubers) Rymal. **Third row, L to R:** Angie Thompson, Nicole (Saxum) Martin, Heidi Morgel, Erika (Arnold) McEwan, Amy (Olson) Kishel, Annelisa Carlson, Robert Kosar, Dan Eaton, Tim Chipman, Josh McEwan, Jonathan Woolsey, Mark Larson. **Fourth row, L to R:** Tricia (Hamminck) Hall, Corleen Smith, Jon Taylor, Markas Welke, Chris Stenseth. (Not pictured: Mark Ireland, Greg Anderson, Heather Hawkins, Dan Person, Erica Kairis, Nick Anderson, Wendy (Bierhaus) Olson, Jon Gilbertson, Becca (Thompson) Linder, Becca Peterson).

2002 On Saturday, September 22, nearly 40 Minnehaha Class of 2002 graduates gathered at Sweeney's Saloon in St. Paul to catch up on the past 10 years. Joan Wolkerstorfer and her husband, Isaac, traveled the farthest to attend the reunion—all the way from their home in Berlin, Germany! **First row, L to R:** Joanna Failingler, Deidre (Anderson) Webster, Becca (Sunderman) Johnson, Nick Krebs, Anna Garnaas, Brianna Chambers. **Second row, L to R:** Isaac Wolkerstorfer, Joan Wolkerstorfer, Adam Wogen, Jackie Mukiibi, Sterling (Haukom) Anderson, Janie Hyser, Kate Granlund, Ruthie (Calvin) Behrs, Drew Barth, Molly Layer, Carissa Bast, Rachael (Wangensteen) Sallander, Kristina Gilbert, Lori (Rasmussen) Egbers, Becca Anderson, Casey Sallander, Adam Johnson, Hannes Egbers. **Top row:** Karl Haukom Anderson, Richard Bergsrud, Amanda Johnson, Genevieve Kersten, Jessica (Werner) McNamee, George Fraley, David Johnson. Reunion attendees not pictured in photo: Michael Anderson, Noah Hall, Aron Lipkin, Winston Mahar, David Martinson, Tenner Murphy, David Quillin, Evan Walde.



Bill Conrad '53

definitely seen the need for better health care, and specifically eye care, but had no desire to go back.

Still, Conrad couldn't put it out of mind and continued to talk about the poor conditions, lack of eye care, and the kind people in the rural areas. After two years, he got a note from his wife: "Bill, you've got to stop talking about it and do something." This, in a subtle way, was his "permission" to go back and help.

The couple formed a nonprofit Christian organization called Gaining a New Sight for Unseeing in China, or GANSU, INC. And for the past 20 years, GANSU, INC., has mainly provided cataract surgeries for the rural western Chinese. They've performed 6,600 surgeries out of three mobile surgical facilities (modified camper trailers) in three rural provinces with the help of 195 volunteers, including 45 eye surgeons. The teams return two years in a row to each community to help spread their Christian faith and build relationships. Tears come to Conrad's eyes when he speaks of relationships, patients coming to know God, and their gratitude.

Last summer, after his 29th trip and 20 years of service, Conrad and the board of Gansu decided to discontinue operations. The Chinese bureaucracy has made things increasingly difficult. Fortunately, the Chinese health care system has improved enough to get more medical care into rural areas. GANSU, INC. has provided some direction for that improvement by hosting four different teaching teams of American sub-specialists. They have also provided workshops for attorneys and others in the health ministry about drafting laws regarding certifications and malpractice issues.

The Conrads are now retired and living in Warner Robbins, Georgia. "There are bigger organizations that have performed a considerably greater number of surgeries than GANSU did," he said, "but our mission was not only about volume. As important as physical sight is, we believe spiritual sight is more important."

In 1951, Bill Conrad and his family moved to the Twin Cities where his father had accepted a teaching job at Bethel Seminary. Young Conrad began his sophomore year at Minnehaha Academy where he enjoyed basketball, football, golf and Singers. "I still today cannot sing 'My Jesus I Love Thee' without thinking of Harry Opel and the Minnehaha Singers," he said, smiling. "We closed every concert with that hymn."

After graduation in 1953, Conrad attended Bethel College where he convinced his adviser to arrange the pre-med training he needed to get into medical school. Conrad became the first Bethel student to receive his entire pre-med education there. (Before, pre-med students spent two years at Bethel and completed their education with two years at the U of M.) He attended the University of Minnesota Medical School and graduated in 1961. He moved to Seattle for his internship and met a lovely nurse named Peggy, who soon became his bride.

Conrad was drafted into the U.S. Army with a two-year required plan, but took the opportunity to learn ophthalmology at Walter Reed Medical Center. He finished as a lieutenant colonel and chief of the eye clinic at Madigan Army Medical Center in Fort Lewis, Washington.

Conrad set up a private practice in Boulder, Colorado, where he and his wife raised their three children. In 1987, the couple, along with their oldest son, traveled to China to see the area they had heard so much about from Conrad's missionary grandparents. Visiting western China at the time was a challenge, but after two and a half years of negotiating, they were on their way.

But the three Conrads had never been so happy to return home as they were after that trip to China. They had



A modified pop-up camper serves as GANSU's mobile surgical unit.

Bill performing surgery with wife, Peggy, assisting.



Harrison Hammond '10

accomplish great goals if I harness emotions from the past and use them as fuel for future motivation.” So, he’s climbing to the 14,400 ft summit of Mt. Rainier in January, 2013.

Harrison’s goal is to join the “Climb Climb Cure” Project. It is a philanthropic effort to raise both money and awareness in the effort to help find a cure for cancer. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society. Right now his fundraising goal is \$1,000 by January 1, 2013. In the future, he hopes to conquer Mt. McKinley, the tallest mountain in North America.

“The only obligation in a man’s life is protecting and serving the people that matter most to him.”

Sometimes, with a motto like that, it can feel too late. Harrison Hammond is a sophomore at the University of Minnesota (Twin Cities) and as a cadet in the U.S. Army/ ROTC program and a soldier in the National Guard. He feels strongly about defending his country, protecting and serving the people that matter most to him, but a bigger obligation right now is his interest in fighting cancer, the disease that took his mother’s life in May, 2011.

“This [her death] was the most devastating event in my life to date,” said Harrison, “especially holding her hand on her last breath.” Harrison has literally pulled up his bootstraps though, tired of feeling the negative feelings, he has opted to search for some positive ones. “I want to help families and individuals suffering from this terrible disease. I believe I can

Boot camp in Fort Benning, Georgia has been a big part of Harrison’s training. He’s been accustomed to weight training so the mental part of boot camp has been more challenging than the physical – not to say that’s been easy though. “When you’re forced to conduct an 18 mile march with a 60 pound pack on you back and holding an M-4 in your hands, you’ve got to have the mindset of becoming fully embraced in the present.” On his six-day expedition he will carry 70 pounds on his back, and expects to be confronted by 60 mile per hour winds, -20 degree weather, to be cramponing on pure glacial ice, and placing his left foot in front of his right for 14,400 ft. “In mountaineering,” he said, “the mental aspect is more of a challenge than the physical.”

To learn more about Harrison’s quest, visit www.climbclimb cure.com



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Alumni News

Where to send your news ▶ The ARROW welcomes news contributions about you and your classmates. Keep us informed of college degrees, new jobs, weddings, babies, honors, travels, and more. Photos are a plus! Have you recently gathered together with other M.A. alumni? We'd love to share your photos with our Minnehaha family. Send them to Jane Anfang, Minnehaha Academy, 3100 West River Parkway, Mpls., MN 55406, or email to alumninews@MinnehahaAcademy.net, or fax us at 612-728-7757. Include a caption outlining the event, the alumni pictured, and class year. To be included in publication, photos should be well-lit, and, if digital, at least 300dpi. Please do not send inkjet-printed photos or photos of low resolution. We want you to look your best! *Thanks!*

1938

Esther (Swanberg) Peterson

1939

Jeanne (Johnson) Enroth

1940

Dorothy (Lundstrom) Balch
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Audree M. Hay, '40, of Minneapolis passed away on September 22 at the age of 90. Audree will be lovingly missed by her children, William, Barbara and Gary; grandchildren, Arthur, Aric, Anthony, Krista, Chelsea and Nial; great-grandchildren, Gregory, Katalena and Everett. She was a member of the 'In-Class Wallflowers' Club' at MA and will be greatly missed by her former classmates.

1941

Louise (Stocke) Anderson

Since graduating from Minnehaha in '41, Solveig Istad Huerstel has led a very busy life. She went to Weisbaden, Germany, and worked as a secretary for the United States Air Force (USAF) where she met her husband, William. They have a daughter, Sherilyn and a son, Eugene. They lived in Tokyo, Japan, for 3 years, working and witnessing missionary work. After 20 plus years, Bill retired from the USAF and they settled in Forest Lake, Minnesota. During that time, Solveig was actively involved with the "Good Cheer Club" for 52 years. She has visited 10 countries and all 50 states of the USA, including driving 1,800 miles of Alaska. They were also involved members of a CMA church. They

have 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. Bill passed away in October 1991. Solveig winters in Naples, Florida, with her son and his wife.

1942

Representative Needed

1943

David L. Swanson

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1944

Lorraine (Benson) Frykman

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John, '44, and Carol Ruffcorn proudly announce the birth of their second great grandson, Jonah Bruce Prindle, June 21, 2012. ▶

Marvin Ostrom, '44, of Mankato, passed away on June 20, 2012 at the age of 86. Marvin served in the United States Army from 1944 to 1946. Marvin worked in sales, and later was a realtor for Century 21 and Atwood Realty. He was a member of the Riverblenders, the Mankato Poetry Club, Centenary United Methodist Church, and the United Methodist Men. Marvin



getting together! • from the class of '51



Back row L-R: Wes Bodin, Ron Johnson, John Carlson, Bill Ridders, David Jones, Jerry Lee, Ken Carlson, Homer Eclov, Paul Swanson, Carl Lindell, Bud Sandberg, Dick Klawitter, Bob Herman, Rollie Birkebak, Jerry Gustafson, Neil Thomas, Don Rhodes. Front row L-R: Rosemary Wollan, Kay Rosell, Marge Ridders, Janet Holte, Grace Madson, Mary Griffin, Bev Lundeen, Mary Ann Sattervall, Nancy Heruth, Janet Fredrickson. Not pictured: Ardith Christenson and Virginia Fagely.

crossword puzzles, and the Summit Center in Mankato, where he sang in the chorus. Marvin is survived by his wife, Eleanor, his children, Mike, Richard, and Nancy; sister, Margery Skalman; as well as six grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

1945
Beverly (Johnson) Lohmann
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1946
Ralph H. Albinson
ralph@albinchapel.com

1947
Walter Bratt
carolabratt@aol.com

George "Al" Larin, '47 of Bloomington, Minn, passed away unexpectedly on September 14 at the age of 83. George is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Ruby, his children Sandy, Debbie, Cindy, Todd and Traci; 9 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Marilyn J. Larson, '47 of Northfield, Minn, formerly of Bloomington passed away at the age of 82. Marilyn is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, Dean, her children Terry, Linda, Liane, Tom, Ron, Kevin and Keith; 14 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

1948
Representative Needed

1949
Marjorie (Hill) Becker
Marbobeck@aol.com

1950
Curtis B. Erickson
cctwinlake@usfamily.net
and Jack Albinson
Paul M. Greguson, '50, of Bloomington, passed away on November 5 at the age of 80. Paul is survived by his loving wife, Joan; daughters, Liz; and Cathy. He will be sadly missed by his grandchildren, Luke and Hailey, Ethan and Nicholas; and his brother, James.

1951
Mary Ann (Ryden) Sattervall
sattervall@aol.com
 The class had a luncheon on September 20, 2012, at the Original Pancake House in Edina. There were 46 in attendance. The class enjoys getting together twice a year to be able to spend time with their classmates.
 Photo on previous page.

1952
James C. Swanson

elizabethb205@juno.com
Shirley (Nordling) Erickson, '52, married Dr. James Erickson in 1959. Over the years, Shirley and her family moved 30 times in 13 states, as well as a move to India. She and her husband raised 3 children and now enjoy 10 grandchildren. They recently returned from 7 months in Hilo, HI, where Jim was on a ministry sabbatical. They are now looking at retirement center living in northern Illinois. Their 3 children and their families live in Laurium, MI (Sonja); DeKalb, IL (Ingrid); and Durham, NC (Jonathan). She hoped to see many of her classmates at the Centennial.

Jim Van Drunen '52 was characterized by dedication to his faith, family, friends, and students. Known to his students simply as "Mr. Van", he taught English for 30 years in the Minneapolis public schools. Jim also taught English as a foreign language in Moscow and Minneapolis. His love of travel drew him to over a dozen countries - most notably a 1972 trip across then communist Russia via the Siberian Railroad. Early in his career he served a church in Marinette, Wisc.; he was an active member of Westminster Presbyterian

Church. He had a lifelong interest in the 1871 Peshtigo, Wisconsin fire; at the time of his death he was working on a young reader novel highlighting this event. Jim graduated from Macalaster College, and Bethel Seminary. He is survived by his wife of 56 years Nancy (nee Allen); a daughter Karla and son-in-law Fred; a brother Henry Edsel; a nephew and two nieces.

1953
John F. Carlson
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1954
Mark W. Nelson
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1955
Bradley D. Johnson
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1956
Sherrill (Anderson) Nelson
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1957
Thomas Casey
tomcasey@aol.com

1958
Grace (Larson) Bergstrom
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1959
Leonard A. Nordstrom
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1960
Jerry Erickson

getting together! • from the class of '58



L to R - top row: Thor Hanson, Kathleen Lindahl (Mary - poodle), Don Enger, Rosie & Ron (Swede) Larson, Dan & Barbara Rhodes, Kurt & Rae Langsten, Jim Lindahl, Sharlene Weymouth Hauer, Chuck Niessen. **Sitting:** Grace Larson Bergstrom, Lorna Thompson Dahl, Patty Farr Anderson, Nancy Mattson Hansen, Pat LaVine Norby, Roger Johnson. **Sitting on floor:** Gerry Kampff Lotspeich, Nancy Nyquist Hereid, Barb Anderson Madsen, Ruthann Nyvall Foreman, John Foreman.

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Marilyn Johnson
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Nancy Sewell Gustafson '60 ▲ enjoyed spending time with Anita Swenson Berg at the United Federated Doll Clubs Convention. They met in Atlanta in 2001 and at that convention, they realized their Minnehaha connection. Anita's father was Christian Swenson, who taught Physics and Algebra at Minnehaha from 1948 to 1960. In 1960, the Swensons moved to Kansas, where Mr. Swenson taught at Bethany College. Anita attended Minnehaha in 1958-1959 and 1959-1960. She would have been in the class of 1962. Anita would enjoy hearing from her classmates at 9604 Calliope Lane, Shreveport, LA, 71115 or anitahb@mac.com. The class of 1960 collected gifts to purchase a new digital sign for

the north campus. The sign was installed for MA's Centennial. It is located on River Parkway and is a beautiful addition to the front of the north campus. ▼



Mark Nasset
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and **Karl Olson**
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1962
Nancy Buboltz

rnbuboltz@gmail.com
1963
Representative Needed
1964
Beverly (Anderson) Wenshau
bev.wenshau@comcast.net

1965
Robert D. Olson
olson@charter.net
Former Minnesota Supreme Court Justice **James H. Gilbert** was admitted to the Minnesota chapter of the National Academy of Distinguished Neutrals (www.NADN.org), and appointed to the Executive Committee of the NADN Minnesota Chapter. This is a national organization comprised of individuals engaged in mediation and arbitration throughout the U.S. Justice Gilbert is the founder and president of Gilbert Mediation Center, Ltd., with offices in Eden Prairie, Minneapolis and Oakdale, MN, and is comprised of 10 retired judges and one former congressman. The center conducts mediations, arbitrations and special master assignments for courts in civil and family law cases throughout Minnesota and the Midwest. And, more importantly, Jim and his wife, Mary, have three daughters and five grandchildren!
1966
Joan (Nordquist) Wiken

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1967
Diane (Davidson) Fitzel
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1968
David and Martha (Beckman) Williams
damamope@aol.com
1969
Susan (Hursh) Santema
susansantema@gmail.com and
Diane Boedeker

1970
Mark R. Stohlberg
mark.stohlberg@gmail.com
Daniel Richard Mooney, '70, of Bloomington, Minn. passed away at his home on October 16, 2012, at the age of 60. Daniel is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Sue, and his daughter, Barb; sisters, Caroline and Elizabeth; and brother, Doug. Dan was a fighter and an inspiration to many, who will miss his dry sense of humor and positive outlook on life.

1971
Janet Egge
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1972
Steven J. Peters
speters@ighide.net
Join the "Minnehaha Academy Class of 1972" group on Facebook!

getting together! • from the class of '60



The Class of 1960, following a very successful 50 year reunion in 2010, decided they wanted to get together annually. Thus, in 2012 they had their 52 year reunion on October 4, 2012 at the Original Pancake House in Edina. 28 members and spouses attended, and all expressed they enjoyed it so much, and wanted to continue to do it annually.

Alums: Come Share your Career Story at Career Day Tuesday, April 9, 2013

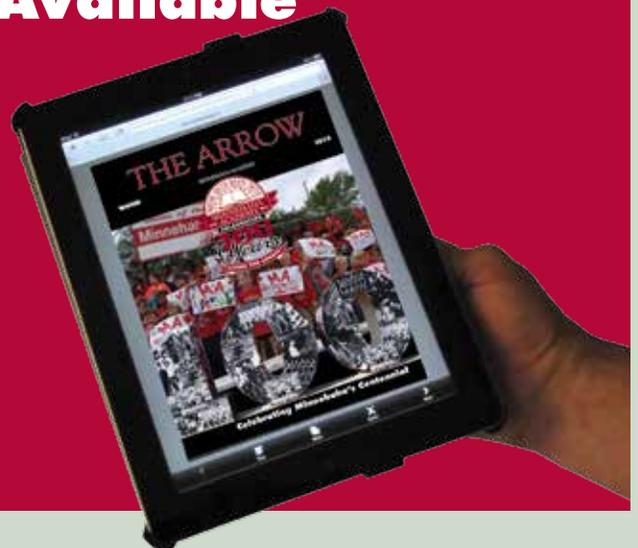
Career Day is a day for alumni to share their time and knowledge with Minnehaha Upper School students evaluating their future career paths. The Alumni Board sponsors this event and is currently looking for fellow alumni interested in participating. Alumni are asked to present a 3-5 minute overview about their careers and questions from students will follow.

If you would be interested in participating in Career Day, please contact Jane Anfang for more information at 612-728-7721 or anfangjane@MinnehahaAcademy.net. Deadline is January 31, 2013.

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Two Alumni Recieve Soccer Coach of the Year

Minnehaha Academy's honored athletic tradition continued this fall when two former soccer players were designated section coaches of the year, then named Coach of the Year for each of their divisions. Eric Erickson '88 and Ben LeVahn '93 played soccer for the revered Guido Kauls, a former Minnehaha Academy coach also designated Coach of the Year.



Erickson, head coach of the Como Park High School soccer team, was selected as the 2012 Minnesota Class A State Coach of the Year. His team won the St. Paul City Conference Championship with an 11-1 Conference Record, and went on to win the Section 4A Championship while not allowing a single goal by opponents in any of the tournament games. The team advanced to the state tournament and finished with an overall record of 19-2, including a 15-game winning streak at the beginning of the season.

LeVahn, head coach of the Maple Grove girls' soccer team, received the 2012 State Coach of the Year award. It is the second time LeVahn has won the honor. During the season, he led Maple Grove to its first conference championship since 2005. The Crimson finished 13-3-1, and was ranked fourth in the state.

Eric Erickson '88 accepts Coach of the Year Award with former Minnehaha coach and fellow Coach of the Year award-

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1973

Christie S. Brandt

1974

Representative needed

1975

Christine (Berg) Blue

bluex005@umn.edu

1976

Donna Dresser

donnaelizabethhere@comcast.net

Having returned to the United States after twenty-two years of missionary service among AIDS communities in South Africa, Dr. Donald J Mingo '76 and his wife, Kathy, celebrate eThembeni AIDS Training Centre which is now responsible for the training of over 300 care-givers who provide care for over 10,000 orphans in the Northern Natal Ladysmith area in South Africa. eThembeni Care Centre was established after the Mingos received hundreds of thousands of dollars in donations from American Churches. The Center was completed in 2005. The center was merged with eThembeni at that time and was put under the leadership of South African Dr. Lourens Schoeman. eThembeni means in Zulu, "Place of Hope." Since returning to the States in 2006 and now pastoring in Grand Rapids, Minnesota the eThembeni AIDS Training Center is fully functional under South African leadership with South African funding.

1977

Jan (Hildebrandt) Kruchoski

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Lynda (Hollinger) Ganter

lyndaganter@yahoo.com

Mike Sawyer, '77, attended the 35-year reunion recently held at school. He hadn't been able to make a reunion since the 5-year and reports it was good to see old friends that he hadn't seen in more than 30 years. For Mike, a highlight was getting to see John Pjesich again. John and Mike were roommates for four years at Drake University. While they've kept in touch, it was hard to see

each other as they have been in different parts of the country. In addition to the reunion, they took in a Twins and Vikings game and were joined by fellow alum, **Joel Johnson '77**. Mike thanks John for being a friend for all these years, and to Joel, Jan, Ena, Karen and Judy for making the reunion a memorable one. Since the All-Star game is coming to Minnesota in 2014, he hopes there will be a mini-Minnehaha reunion that summer.

1978

Mark Hanson

Upright1098@yahoo.com

Kirk Alan Smith, '78, of Helena, Mo., lost his eight-year battle with cancer on October 24, 2012, at the age of 53. Kirk was an outstanding student and graduated with honors at the top of his class at Minnehaha. In 2004, Kirk was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. In the spring of 2005, he went through a stem cell transplant at the Mayo Clinic. In 2010, Kirk was diagnosed with cancer of the duodenum and went through an extensive Whipple surgery. Kirk's desire and prayers were answered to live until his sons, Josh and Jacob graduated from high school. Kirk is survived by Lisa; his sons, Joshua and Jacob; daughter, Abby Rose; stepsons Bong (Yi) and Bee (Pontiwa); stepdaughter, Beth; granddaughter, Meena; grandson, Finnius; mother, Donna; brother, Barry; numerous other relatives and friends; and special niece, Kelsey Smith. Kirk will be remembered for his smile and his gentle ways.

1979

Mark A. Anderson

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1980

Carol Sundet-Meeker

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1981

Carol (Anderson) Zellie

carolzellie@gmail.com

1982

Jamie (Guldseth) Molle

jamiemolle@aol.com

1983

Karin (Johnson) Bariteau

ksbariteau@sbcglobal.net

and Roslyn Paterson

RoslynRN@aol.com

Anne Bunde, '83, had her fourth novel for middle grade readers published by Candlewick Press in September 2012. Set during the 1929 football season, *Button Down* is the second in a series about the comically unlucky Button family. In May, Anne's board book, "Welcome Child of God" (Augsburg Fortress, 2011), a book for baptism, received the first place award for picture books from the Midwest Independent Publishers Association at the Midwest Book Awards.

Beth (Powell) Nelson '83

welcomed her first grandchild on her birthday in August. Beth's son, Eric, and his wife, Alisa, gave birth to Freyda Dei Nelson on August 25, 2012. Proud great aunts are **Diana (Powell) Thompson '79**, **Donna (Powell) Peterson '80**, and **Vicki (Nelson) Barret '83**.

1984

Angela (Tornquist) Buyse

iseauski@comcast.net

1985

Tami (Haltli) Felling

tamifelling@yahoo.com

Peter Tamte, '85, the founder of Destineer, the videogame publisher and a one time Apple consumer-marketing heavyweight, launched a new company, Theory.io, in August with a single product called Projectbook, an iPad app to manage to-do items and organize digital notes. Projectbook is a way to keep all the kinds of information needed to get done in one place, where it's easy to find even if you forgot to tag it or don't have an

Internet connection. Theory.io is the fifth chapter in Peter's long career as a tech entrepreneur and executive. He founded and operated the Macintosh-software publisher MacSoft in the 1990s. Peter later signed on at Apple, where he helped run consumer marketing. In the late 1990s, Peter joined the Bungie videogame studio of "Halo" fame, then founded Destineer, a publisher of boxed video games. ▼



Catherine are thrilled to have a little brother. ▼



1987

Christopher L. Pope

cpope@worldvision.org

Gretchen (Noble) '87 and **Corey Johnsrud** have moved to Santa Rosa, California, this summer

where Corey began in his new position as Pastor of Adult Ministries at Redwood Covenant Church. They are very excited about this new call from God and look forward to what He has in store. Their children Micah (16), Kajsa (14) and Jonas (13) were very sad to leave friends and family behind in Minnesota and Wisconsin but are excited to make new friends in their new home. They are disappointed to be missing Gretchen's 25th year Reunion because of the move but greet all of their friends from Minnehaha. They welcome visitors.

1988

Mark E. McCary
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1989

Amy (Wentzel) Stevens
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1990

Karl and Martha (Hollister) Rosenquist
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1991

Representative Needed

1992

Kari A. Johnson
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1993

Nathan and Hilary (Douglass) Sonstegard
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1994

Representative Needed

1995

Representative Needed

1996

Heidi (Douglass) Carlson
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1997

Russell A. Johnson
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1998

Joseph Botten
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Phil Schaffner, '98 project manager of MnDOT's Minnesota GO visioning process and his

department received an honorable mention for the 2012 FHWA and Federal Transit Administration's Transportation Planning Excellence Awards in the category of Public Involvement and Outreach. Minnesota GO was established to better align the transportation system with what Minnesotans expect for their quality of life, economy and natural environment. It is intended to be used by all agencies responsible for transportation planning, construction and delivery in Minnesota to inform their future investment and planning decisions.

1999

Sylvia (Dunn) Barbagallo
sylvia-barbagallo@hotmail.com

2000

Benjamin B. Hagen
hagenbb@gmail.com

2001

Stephanie K. Williams
wilstek@bethel.edu
Neal Cole '01 and his wife, Lisa, welcome with love, and proudly announce the birth of their son, Levi Neal Cole, born October 13. Levi weighed 9lbs, 13 ounces and was 22 inches long. ▼



Z. Bryan works as a mechanical engineer in Anoka, Minn. while **Emily** worked for five years as a language arts teacher at Coon Rapids Middle School and now stays home with their children in St. Francis, Minn. ▼



Laura Henderson
Laura@twincitizen.net

2004

Emily Hennig
emilyhennig@gmail.com and
Alexander S. Rykken
rykk0007@umn.edu
After three years in North Carolina teaching junior high social studies and science through Teach for America, **James Barnett '04** is back in the Twin Cities. He is the Manager of Teacher Leadership Development for the Twin Cities Region for Teach for America, where he works to coach and develop teachers in his program, and also creates metrics to evaluate the effectiveness of teachers in his program. James hopes to attend business school in the near future, and he hopes to one day find a role developing strategy and development programs for nonprofits.

In September, **Kelsey Walt '04** started as a biostatistician at Beckman Coulter, Inc. in Chaska, Minn. Beckman is a nation-wide company dedicated to advancing and improving biomedical testing. The Chaska location specializes in the development of immunoassay research. As a clinical research biostatistician, Kelsey is responsible for managing and analyzing data from research, development and clinical trials.

Last Spring, **Chris Alexander '04** graduated magna cum laude from William Mitchell Law School. He passed the Illinois bar exam and will soon be admitted as a licensed attorney in Illinois and Minnesota. He is an attorney at Meagher & Geer, P.L.L.P. in the catastrophic

loss group.

Calvin Smith '04 and his wife, **Amanda**, were married on June 12, 2009. **Chris Gilbert '04** was his best man and **Sean Devereaux '04** was a groomsman. Calvin and Amanda had a son, **Beau Taylor Smith**, in October of 2011. They are now living in St. Michael, Minn. and Calvin just starting working with Farmers Insurance as an agent and Amanda is a workforce manager at Optum Health.

Heather Dahlquist '04 graduated from Creighton University Medical School in May, 2012 and is currently in a pediatric residency program at UCLA.

Jenny Abel '04 has been a talent publicist in West Hollywood for a firm called PMKBNC for about four years. She is an account executive and her client list includes Paula Abdul, Cote de Pablo, Mehcad Brooks, Alexa Vega, Drew Van Acker and Louise Roe. Her job is to pitch clients to be included in magazines, newspapers, broadcast/electronic outlets. When they have a TV show or film job, Jenny makes sure the general public knows about it. She helps protect them and their brand from negative press and tries to make sure their personal lives remain private. Needless to say, she loves her job and has traveled around the world and met some exciting people.

2005

Stephanie Hawkinson
shawk05@gmail.com
Jonathan Sass '05 completed his MBA degree at Harvard Business School in May, 2012. During the past year, Jonathan, along with several of his Harvard classmates, climbed to the summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro and also backpacked to the Inca ruins of Machu Picchu in Peru. In May, 2008, Jonathan graduated

Is there a **new baby** or grandbaby with whom you've recently been blessed? Please send us the news! We'll share your blessing with others in the next ARROW and send you a Minnehaha Academy Munchkin bib for your newest little one to wear! Call Jane Anfang at 612-728-7721, email at: alumninews@MinnehahaAcademy.net, or write to: Minnehaha Academy, 3100 West River Pkwy., Minneapolis, MN 55406.



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from Bethel University with a B.S. degree in applied physics and was accepted into what is currently known as the 2+2 program at Harvard Business School (a program which accepts college seniors but requires two years of employment before commencement of the two-year MBA program). Following graduation from Bethel, Jonathan was employed for two years as an analyst at an investment bank in Edina, Minnesota. Jonathan currently resides in Austin, Texas, where he is employed by a rapidly growing software company.

2006

Laura Lorebtz
laurajoyh@gmail.com and
Emily Stanchfield

Emily.Stanchfield@target.com and
Ashley Loomis

ashleyloomis@gmail.com

Join our "Minnehaha Academy Class of 2006" Facebook group!

2007

Will Haffield

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2008

Charlotte Deegan

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On August 4, 2012 **Joe McGrath '08** married April Zak. Their wedding took place in Little Falls, Minn. **Brittany Erspamer '09** was a bridesmaid. The couple is living in Lakeville, Minn. until Joe graduates from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities in December. Photo

below.

2009

Kristina Haugen

haugen.kristina@gmail.com

Janelle (Harms) Leland '09 was married to Jonathan Leland on July 29, 2012. It was a beautiful ceremony filled with close company, a beautiful backdrop and God's ever present love. Photo on next page.

2010

Representative Pending

2011

Representative Pending

2012

Van Donkergeod

Vandonkergeod2016@u.northwestern.edu

Danny Chamberlain '11

continues to enjoy his filmmaking opportunities: <http://www.berkeleybeacon.com/arts/2012/11/1/emerson-student-produces-parodies>

getting married! • from the class of '08



The Minnehaha alumni who attended **Joe McGrath's '08** wedding were: **Charlotte Deegan '08**, **Erik Nordstrom '08**, **Tommy Grimm '08**, **Maurice Baynard '08**, **David Semm '08**, **Luke Lundeen '08**, **Eic Elftmann '08** and **Chelsea Knox '09**.

Calendar *Minnehaha Academy*

January

- 10 Alumni Board meeting
7 p.m., Alumni House
- 26 National Gathering for Alumni & Friends
7 p.m. Phoenix, AZ
- 29 Upper School Admission Information Program (Grades 9-12)
6:45 p.m.
- 31 Lower and Middle School Admission Information Program (Grades PreK-8)
6:45 p.m.

February

- 7 National Gathering for Alumni & Friends
San Diego, CA

March

- 10 Heritage & Hope Scholarship Dinner
5 p.m. DoubleTree by Hilton, Bloomington-Minneapolis South
- 14 Alumni Board meeting
7 p.m., Alumni House
- 25-29 Spring Break

April

- 9 Career Day
9:30 a.m., Upper School, Upper School
- 11-13 Upper School Play
Hognander Chapel, Upper School
- 28 Centennial Worship Service
Hognander Chapel, Upper School

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getting married! • from the class of '09



The Minnehaha alumni who attended **Janelle Harms '09** wedding were Elly Sebastian '09, Mary White '09, Vicki Harms '09, Emily Engdahl '09, Kristina Haugen '09, Charissa Pederson '09, Gabriela Sterling '09, Lauren Patrick '09, Eden Anderson '09, Meredith McKnight '09, Chelsea Knox '09, Ellen Douville '09, Allison Harms '07, and Jackie Harms '08, including father Greg Harms '78 and uncle, Gaylen Harms '79.



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