# 89TH ANNUAL HONORS

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# COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE & LIFE SCIENCES

# Floyd Andre Award

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

Established in 1978 to honor a College of Agriculture and Life Sciences alumnus or friend who has made outstanding contributions to production agriculture, agricultural business or has had a significant impact on lowa agriculture.



'78 Agricultural Business Spirit Lake, Iowa

Jeff Plagge's impressive career spans more than 40 years and has positively impacted all levels of Iowa's banking industry. In 2019, Plagge was appointed superintendent of the Iowa Division of Banking by Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds. In this role, Plagge leads the regulation of all state-chartered banks and has regulatory and licensing authority over Iowa lenders, mortgage businesses, real estate appraisers and appraisal management companies.

A respected leader, Plagge has served as chief executive officer of four Iowa banking organizations, ranging in asset size from \$92 million to \$2.4 billion. In 2020, Plagge retired from his most recent role as chief executive officer of Northwest Financial Corporation, a family-owned bank holding company based out of Arnolds Park, Iowa.

Plagge's expertise has been sought after at a national level via service on boards and committees for the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, American Bankers Mutual Insurance, Sheltered Harbor, The Clearing House, and the American Bankers Association. Locally, his service includes leadership positions on the boards of Delta Dental of Iowa, the American Red Cross Central Iowa Chapter, and the Iowa Banker's Association. He currently serves on the board of directors for Northwest Financial Corporation and its subsidiaries.

Plagge's distinctive service has earned recognition with the prestigious American Bankers Association Bruning Award, the Iowa Bankers Association James A. Leach Award, and the BankBeat Banker of the Year Award.

A dedicated Cyclone, Plagge is a life member of the Iowa State University Alumni Association and has served as president of the board of trustees for the Iowa State University Agricultural Endowment.



# George Washington Carver Distinguished Service Award

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

Established in 2005 to honor a distinguished College of Agriculture and Life Sciences alumnus or friend who has demonstrated outstanding achievement or leadership in making significant, influential, or innovative contributions to society.

# Dewayne L. Goldmon

PhD '91 Agronomy Pine Bluff, Arkansas

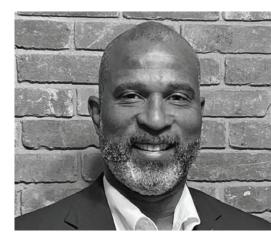
Dewayne Goldmon is a recognized national leader in diversity and inclusion in agriculture. He played a pivotal role in creating the National Black Growers Council, an organization with a mission of improving the sustainability of Black row-crop farmers. He currently serves as executive director of the organization, and manages his family's 1,400-acre farm operation near Pine Bluff, Arkansas. In 2021, Goldmon was appointed senior advisor for racial equity to U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Tom Vilsack.

Goldmon's work in diversity and inclusion began during his undergraduate studies at the University of Arkansas, where he worked to recruit students of color. During his graduate studies at Iowa State University, Goldmon was a member of the college's minority programs team, recruiting and advising undergraduate students of color. He was a founding member and advisor of the Iowa State Minorities in Agriculture Natural Resources and Related Sciences (MANRRS) student organization.

Following graduation, Goldmon had a highly successful career in the agricultural seed and chemical industry, working in technology and product development, government affairs, and human resources. He retired in 2019 as the outreach lead for Bayer Crop Sciences.

Throughout his career, Goldmon's commitment to diversity and inclusion has remained steadfast. He is currently serving his third term on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Advisory Committee on Minority Farmers and serves on boards for MANRRS, the Southern Risk Management Education Center and the Policy Center for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers.

Goldmon is an avid supporter of higher education, serving on the advisory boards for the University of Arkansas Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food, and Life Sciences; University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff; and Tuskegee University. He regularly presents to Iowa State students through the Department of Agronomy seminar series and the MANRRS student organization.





# Henry A. Wallace Award

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

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# **Roger Carlsson**

'78 Agricultural Business London, United Kingdom

A veteran investment and risk officer, Roger Carlsson, chairman of First Continental Trading Group of Companies (FCT), is a driving force in the global investment management industry.

In 1984, Carlsson founded FCT, basing the company in Chicago, Illinois. An active member on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange and Chicago Board of Trade, Carlsson grew FCT into a globally-recognized investment firm and one of the largest independent market making and proprietary trading groups in the world. With operations in key global financial centers, FCT was one of the largest independent shareholders of the London International Financial Futures Exchange, an organization eventually acquired by the New York Stock Exchange.

Following his graduation from Iowa State University in 1978, Carlsson earned a master's degree in business administration from DePaul University and continued his studies at the London Business School, earning the organization's Alumni Achievement Award in 2004, and currently serves on the school's board of directors.

In 1998, Carlsson founded the Carlsson Family Foundation, which he established to manage his charitable contributions and provide a research vehicle for other donors wishing to make informed philanthropic decisions.

Carlsson's philanthropy has extended to Iowa State University students. In 2018, he helped establish the Paul Doak Agricultural Business Recruiting Scholarship by launching a matchgift giving challenge to College of Agriculture and Life Sciences alumni and friends. In addition, he frequently hosts College of Agriculture and Life Sciences study abroad students visiting the United Kingdom.

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# **Betsy Freese**

'84 Agricultural Journalism Indianola, Iowa

Betsy Freese, executive editor for Meredith Agrimedia and Successful Farming magazine, is a nationally-acclaimed media executive and industry leader.

Freese is a pioneer in agricultural communications, having grown the reach of her platforms to meet the needed technological advancements of the organization's national audiences.

Throughout her 36-year tenure with Meredith Agrimedia, Freese helped build the Successful Farming brand from a beloved magazine to one of the top online resources in the farming and ranching industries.

For the past 26 years, she's served as publisher for the Pork Powerhouse rankings, an annual report of the world's top pork producers. In 2017, she was honored as a Folio magazine's Top Women in Media Industry Leadership awardee. In 2019, her work with the Pork Powerhouse rankings won her Folio's top award

for a single article. Freese was the founding editor of Living the Country Life magazine, growing the brand from a quarterly publication to a multi-faceted media presence.

Her professional achievements have netted her national accolades, earning the President's Award from both the American Agricultural Editors' Association and the North American Agricultural Journalists.

Throughout her career, Freese has served as a mentor to aspiring journalists and communicators. She helps supervise Meredith Agrimedia's apprentice program and is a supporter of student organizations at Iowa State University and Drake University. Her philanthropy extends to her community, where Freese serves on the board of directors for the Des Moines Metro Opera Board of Trustees and the Indianola Public Library.

Freese is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.





# **Outstanding Young Professional Award**

#### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND LIFE SCIENCES

Established in 2010 to honor a College of Agriculture and Life Sciences early- or mid-career alumnus or friend who has distinguished themselves through significant advancement and achievement in their discipline, field, or area of expertise.

## Colin Hurd

'13 Agricultural Studies Ames, Iowa

Colin Hurd, strategic initiatives manager for Raven Industries, is a rising entrepreneur in the agricultural technology industry.

As an Iowa State University student, Hurd participated in the Agricultural Entrepreneurship Initiative, founded Agricultural Concepts and developed TrackTill, a planter attachment designed to minimize soil compaction.

In 2016, Hurd joined the inaugural cohort of the Iowa State University Start-Up Factory and Ag Start-Up Engine and founded Smart Ag, a company focused on commercializing autonomous farming solutions to help address the labor shortage in production agriculture. Smart Ag's first product, AutoCart, allows farmers to automate a grain-cart tractor, providing critical labor savings to farmers during harvest.

Hurd's innovation has landed him recognition on local and national stages. In 2016, Hurd was honored as a STATEment Maker by the

Iowa State University Alumni Association. In 2019, he was recognized in Forbes' 30 Under 30 class for manufacturing and industry and AgGrad's 30 Under 30 class.

In 2019, SmartAg was acquired by Raven Industries. Hurd's role in the company allows him to continue innovating as he works to grow and develop products to advance the agriculture industry and serve farmers.

Hurd's philosophy of service was evident during his time as a student. He was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and participated in Dance Marathon, VEISHEA, and Cardinal Key. His commitment to service continued post-graduation. Following the loss of his infant son, Hurd and his wife, Kimberly, founded the Kolbe Scott Fund in his honor. Proceeds were used to build an orphanage in India.

# IVY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

# John D. DeVries Service Award

#### IVY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Established in 1985 to recognize individuals who have demonstrated outstanding service to the Ivy College of Business.



'78 Accounting Eden Prairie, Minnesota

Sheri Bandle's passion for numbers and travel merged perfectly for a lifetime career with Cargill. In high school, she knew she loved numbers and business, but she wasn't sure which path to choose. At Iowa State University, she selected accounting, a degree that has offered many unique opportunities in one company. Her experiences with Cargill have evolved and changed dramatically over the years. She started with an internal auditing position, which allowed her to travel in the U.S. and internationally as much as 70 percent of the time. She enjoyed that role for about 15 years and then explored new roles with Cargill, always learning and growing along the way. She was excited to have international business travel responsibilities. In one position, she commuted from Tokyo for six months, an experience she cherishes. Bandle is currently the hedge room manager at Cargill, where she helps coordinate Cargill's trading on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Her relationship with the Ivy College of Business has been one of service. She has devoted 15 years as a member of the Department of Accounting Executive Advisory Council. In that role, she provides valuable expertise in her field, which helps lead the department.

Earlier in her career, she was instrumental in recruiting Iowa State students to employment with Cargill. Her passion for recruiting students as well as her connection to the accounting department led her to support the Bandle Faculty Fellowship in Accounting. Bandle is an avid Cyclone fan and says her years at Iowa State were among the best in her life. She is also a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# Citation of Achievement

#### IVY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

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# **Craig Hart**

'78 Accounting Weldon Spring, Missouri

Craig Hart started his career in a traditional accounting role and quickly moved to the food processing industry, where he spent the majority of his career. His experience included working in several senior finance and accounting management positions. For 20 years, he was employed at Tyson, where he worked his way up to chief accounting officer. It was always his desire to be the chief financial officer at a major corporation, a dream he realized when he accepted the CFO position at Packers Sanitation Services (PSSI). Based in Kieler, Wisconsin, PSSI has more than 17,000 employees and provides sanitation and food safety services to the food industry throughout the United States and Canada. He worked at PSSI for seven years until his retirement in January of 2021.

Hart and his wife, Cheryl, enjoy giving back. They have invested in the newly-completed Gerdin Business Building expansion as a way to give back to the Ivy College of Business. The couple believes in the college's mission and vision and wants to support student success. During his years as a student at Iowa State, Hart was active with the Accounting Club, Water Polo Club, and helped with small business advisory as part of his course work. One of his strengths is his ability to think analytically and help with talent development and strategy, areas where he has contributed in his career and the Ivy College of Business. Hart has been a member of the Dean's Advisory Council since 2016. In that role, he provides valuable business expertise and strategic thinking.

Craig is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.



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#### **Tina Freese Decker**

'00 Finance Grand Rapids, Michigan

Tina Freese Decker knew early on she wanted to make healthcare simpler. She majored in finance as an undergrad at Iowa State, where her passion for math, science, and business helped her excel. She then launched into a dual master's program in health administration and industrial engineering at the University of Iowa. This education prepared her well for roles in healthcare finance, strategy, and operations—and her current role as president and CEO of Spectrum Health System.

As chief executive officer, Freese Decker oversees an \$8 billion health system comprised of 30,000+ team members, 14 hospitals, a medical group, and a health plan with more than 1 million members. Her collaborative, strategic, and visionary leadership has helped evolve Spectrum Health into the system it is today: leading with a bold vision of personalized healthcare made simple, affordable, and exceptional.

While a student at Iowa State, Freese Decker was active in Sigma Kappa sorority and the Iowa State Marching Band. She chose Iowa State because the campus felt like home. She knew she could be successful here, learn, and go out into the world prepared to thrive.

Known today as a change agent with a track record of forging strong community partnerships, executing innovative strategies, and fostering a people-focused culture, Freese Decker is routinely interviewed on national podcasts and invited to serve as a guest speaker. Her recent accolades include Grand Rapids Business Journal's 50 Most Influential Women in West Michigan (2020) and Modern Healthcare's Top 25 Women in Healthcare (2019).

Freese Decker is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

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# **Paula Norby**

'78 Accounting Dubuque, Iowa

Paula Norby's accounting degree has provided her with the strong foundation she needed to navigate a successful career with her family business. Originally working in the area of public accounting, Norby joined the family business her grandparents started – and her parents grew –in the 1990s. As owner and controller at Norby Distributing Company,

Norby has overseen a variety of business-related roles over the years, including accounting, human resources, and overall management. She has watched her industry- and farm-related retail change. Along with her family, she led the company in adapting their business to meet the needs of their customers. Today, they still appeal to farmers, but they have grown their customer base to include the general public. They now have 11 stores, all in Iowa except one in Kentucky. Norby credits her degree from Iowa State University with preparing her for her career. Norby has been a member of the Ivy

College of Business Dean's Advisory Council since 2018, where she provides valuable business advice and leadership for the college. She supports student scholarships and is passionate about making college affordable and accessible for all students.

"To me, an education opens the world to so many different opportunities," she says. "It's something no one can ever take away from you." Norby supports scholarships for women in business and also for accounting students. While attending Iowa State, Norby was a Cyclone Aide, treasurer and secretary of Delta Zeta sorority, a member of the Student Advisory Council for industrial administration, and a part of the weekly university talent show Varieties.

Norby is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# Russ and Ann Gerdin Award

IVY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Established in 2009 to honor contributions from valuable corporate partners or individuals who are not College of Business graduates.



Ames, Iowa

A lifelong resident of Ames, Dean Hunziker is a broker and owner of Hunziker and Associates, a family-owned business since 1952. His family history with Iowa State University is long, and he's proud to say his parents are alumni of Iowa State.

Hunziker graduated from Ames High School and initially enrolled at Iowa State, unsure of his future. Even though he did not graduate, Hunziker is a strong supporter of the university and the Ivy College of Business. He is a member of two Ivy College of Business Executive Advisory Councils: master of real estate development program and the ISU Department of Management. As a member of those councils, he provides his professional expertise to college leaders so student curriculum can meet the needs of industry.

He is also on the Board of Governors with the Iowa State University Foundation, proudly supports Cyclone athletic programs, a student scholarship, and funding for the director of graduate education position for the master of real estate development program at the Ivy College of Business.

Hunziker has worked hard his entire career, first in a bank and as a vacuum cleaner salesman. Selling vacuums is where he realized his passion for sales, which led him to a successful career in real estate.

Hunziker has been involved throughout the community, including Ames Economic Development, the Board of Realtors, Ames Home Builders, Ames Seed Capital, Ames Noon Rotary, United Way, and others. He was named Realtor of the Year by the Ames Board of Realtors in 1989. When he's not working, Hunziker enjoys hunting and fishing.

Hunziker is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# COLLEGE OF DESIGN



# Christian Petersen Design Award

#### COLLEGE OF DESIGN

Established in 1980 to recognize alumni, staff, and friends of the university for contributions to the advancement of design through personal aesthetic achievement, exceptional support, or extraordinary encouragement and service.

# Ann Wright Au and King Au

Ann: '81 Craft Design

King: '82 Architecture, '85 Master of Architecture

Des Moines, Iowa

Ann Wright Au and King Au are co-founders of 2AU Limited, a jewelry design studio and art gallery in West Des Moines' Historic Valley Junction. King also owns Studio AU Inc., a multi-design practice specializing in visual designs.

At 2AU, Ann designs custom and one-of-a-kind jewelry and curates the gallery's collection of art from artists worldwide. She co-produces Gallery Night twice a year in Valley Junction. Ann's work is in numerous art collections throughout the U.S. She is a member of the Society of North American Goldsmiths, American Craft Council, Jewelers of America, Des Moines Art Center, and the Historic Valley Junction Foundation.

Ann received the Outstanding Young Alumni Award from the ISU Alumni Association in 1996. She has served on the College of Design Dean's Advancement Council and the Department of Art and Visual Culture Advisory Council. Prior to founding 2AU, she was a jeweler at the Goldsmiths and Susan Noland Designs in Gold.

King is a freelance merchandising photographer for Williams Sonoma Inc. and other major national brands. He received the ISU Alumni Association's Outstanding Young Alumni Award in 1995.

Before founding Studio AU and 2AU, King was an architectural intern and associate architectural photographer with Charles Herbert and Associates (later HLKB) and an associate architectural designer and architectural photographer with FEH Associates. He served as a freelance editorial photographer for Meredith Corporation from 1993 to 2015.

The couple recently established the Design United Award, a scholarship that celebrates students' contributions to diversity, inclusion, and social justice within the college, university, and greater design community.

# **Design Achievement Award**

#### **COLLEGE OF DESIGN**

Established in 1988 to recognize outstanding creative and professional achievements of alumni in all of the college's disciplines.

## Susan Loan Hoffman

'73 Interior Design Wayzata, Minnesota

Susan Hoffman is the studio owner and lead designer of DESIGNS! (Susan Hoffman Interior Designs). She specializes in both new home construction and in remodeling/renovation, which she defines as "seeing possibilities where others see problems." Her portfolio of residential interior design work crosses the United States from California to New York and extends to the Caribbean. Her projects frequently are photographed for publication, including a recent designer show-house interior featured on Houzz.

Hoffman's interior design career began with Tom Klemuk Interiors in Cedar Falls. She later worked with Dayton's interior design studio in downtown Minneapolis, Minnesota, prior to earning her National Council for Interior Design Qualification certification and founding her own interior design firm.

An active member of the American Society of Interior Designers, Hoffman has served multiple roles on the board of ASID Minnesota and the Dakotas, including chapter president in 1998 and 1999. She received the ASID Minnesota Presidential Citation seven times in the 1980s, 1990s, and 2000s, and was awarded the national ASID Presidential Citation in 1999.

Hoffman has been a tireless supporter of the ISU Department of Interior Design, providing design studio field trip opportunities and curated learning experiences in residential design. She reviewed and judged a campus fraternity's competition to renovate their resource center and inspired an ongoing series of aging-in-place wellness projects in the College of Design.

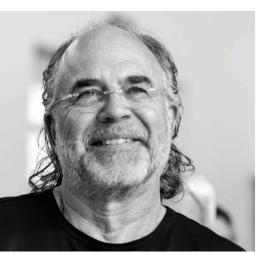
Hoffman served on the ISU Interior Design Advisory Council from 2007 to 2010. She is a member of the College of Design Dean's Advancement Council, ISU Foundation Order of the Knoll, and is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.



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## **Rod Kruse**

'74 Architecture Des Moines, Iowa

Rod Kruse heads the Des Moines office of BNIM Architects, where he is recognized nationally for creating client-focused solutions that demonstrate the responsible use of natural and financial resources, enhance client performance, and winning accolades for design excellence. His portfolio includes more than 110 higher education projects and studies on 14 campuses: among them, Iowa State University's Troxel Hall and the University of Iowa's Stanley Museum of Art; corporate office and research facilities; parking structures; cultural facilities; and private residences.

Kruse's work has received nearly 80 design awards, including three national American Institute of Architects Honor Awards for Architecture, an AIA Honor Award for Interior Architecture, an AIA Committee on the Environment Top Ten Award, and an AIA COTE Top Ten Plus Award. He is a fellow of the

AIA. In 2014 he was awarded AIA Iowa's Medal of Honor, the highest honor bestowed by the chapter.

Prior to joining BNIM in 2005, Kruse was a founding principal of HLKB Architecture for 18 years. He began his career at RDG Bussard Dikis (now RDG Planning and Design).

In addition to his design work, Kruse is a mentor, educator, leader, advocate, and volunteer. He served on the AIA Fellows jury from 2002-2004, chaired the AIA National Honor Awards jury in 2012, and was a member of the AIA COTE Top Ten jury in 2013. He served on the ISU Department of Architecture's advisory council for many years and recently was hired as the department's first full professor of practice. He is an ISU Alumni Association life member.

# **Outstanding Young Professional Award**

#### **COLLEGE OF DESIGN**

Established in 2020 to recognize alumni who received their most recent degree within the past 10 years and have excelled in their professions early in their careers.

# Johnny G. Alcivar Zuñiga

'10 Political Science and International Studies, '14 Master of Community and Regional Planning Des Moines, Iowa

Johnny Alcivar is the director of workforce programs at Proteus, Inc., a multi-state nonprofit organization that assists agricultural workers. In this role, he is responsible for the delivery of the National Farmworker Jobs Program — funded by the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration — in Indiana, Iowa, and Nebraska. The program targets chronic unemployment and underemployment in agriculture by facilitating career and training services for farmworkers who seek to retain employment or gain new opportunities.

Alcivar started his career with the City of Cedar Rapids, where he served as education and outreach coordinator with the Civil Rights Commission and then became a Development Services Division specialist. Prior to joining Proteus, he worked as an assistant city planner with the Des Moines Community Development Department.

Alcivar is passionate about community involvement and representation. In 2019, he was recognized by the Iowa International Center as a Passport to Prosperity Honoree for exemplary leadership and for creating a positive impact on the lives of Iowans. In 2020, he was selected as a Des Moines Business Record "Forty Under 40" honoree.

He currently serves as secretary on the Street Collective of Greater Des Moines Board of Directors and recently joined the Iowa International Center Board of Directors. Additionally, he is an appointed member of the Des Moines Plan and Zoning Commission. Alcivar holds American Institute of Certified Planners certification through the American Planning Association.



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#### **Adrienne Nelson**

'09 Interior Design, '13 Master of Architecture New Haven, Connecticut

Adrienne Nelson is an associate with Pickard Chilton, a global architecture studio based in New Haven, Connecticut, that designs innovative buildings and transformative environments. Highly experienced in the design of large-scale corporate and commercial projects that serve a diverse and sophisticated client base, Nelson currently serves as the project manager for a 1.25 million-gross-square-foot mass timber corporate campus headquarters in California.

Most recently, she was a designer for T3 RiNo, a heavy timber next-generation office building in Denver, Colorado, as well as the project manager for 325 Main Street, Google's new headquarters in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Additional projects include 2+U, an office tower and public plaza in downtown Seattle, Washington; 1144 Fifteenth Street, a 40-story high-performance office tower in Denver; the Minnesota Senate Building in St. Paul; and the ATCO Commercial Centre in Calgary, Alberta.

Nelson has served on the board of the Connecticut Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and is the current co-chair of the AIA Connecticut Women in Architecture Committee. She previously served as a mentor and team leader for the New Haven affiliate of the ACE (Architecture, Construction, and Engineering) Mentor Program. She received the 2016 AIA Connecticut Emerging Architect Award.

In 2020, Nelson was accepted into the inaugural class of the national AIA Leadership Academy and recognized among Engineering News-Record's National Top 20 Under 40. She is a member of the International Interior Design Association and a LEED Green Associate.

Nelson is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING



# **Anson Marston Medal**

#### **COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

The Anson Marston Medal recognizes alumni of the College of Engineering for outstanding achievement in advancing engineering science, technology, or policy having national and international impact in academics, industry, public service, government, or other venues.

## Za-Chieh Moh

MS '55 Civil Engineering New Taipei City, Taiwan

Za-Chieh Moh is a distinguished educator, entrepreneur, and leader in geotechnical engineering. Moh's knowledge, professionalism, and pioneering spirit have made him a role model for others in his field, and he's made remarkable engineering contributions in Southeast and East Asia and across the world.

Moh founded and is chairman of the board of the MAA GROUP, a prominent international engineering consultant conglomerate that serves clients in numerous projects that are vital to the development of Asian regional economies.

Moh also served as the vice president and provost of the Asian Institute of Technology and has published more than 160 technical publications. His instructions to engineers and researchers have expedited many economic and scientific developments internationally, and his former students have gone on to lead large-scale infrastructure projects across Asia.

He has been named a fellow of many

engineering organizations, including the American Society of Civil Engineers, Institution of Civil Engineers (U.K.), Chinese Institute of Engineers, and Institutions of Engineering in Singapore, Malaysia and Hong Kong. Moh was the founding president of the Southeast Asian Geotechnical Society and has served as the vice president of the International Society for Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering.

In addition to his degree from ISU, Moh holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from National Taiwan University, a doctorate of science degree in civil engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and an honorary doctorate of technology from the Asian Institute of Technology.

Moh was married to the late Diana Mai-Ding Yeh and has three children, Alexander, Angela and Richard, and six grandchildren.

Moh is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.

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# Lori Ryerkerk

'83 Chemical Engineering Dallas, Texas

Lori Ryerkerk is the chairperson, chief executive officer, and president of Celanese Corporation, a Fortune 500 global chemical and specialty materials company based in Dallas, Texas.

Ryerkerk's expertise in the energy industry spans three-plus decades. She combines deep technical and commercial skills with a passion for the manufacturing business. Her unwavering focus on safety, environmental, and social performance is the foundation on which she has overseen some of the most technically complex operations in the industry.

Ryerkerk has been named by Fortune magazine as one of America's Most Powerful Women in Business, and she serves on the board of directors of Eaton Corporation and previously served on the board of Axalta Coating Systems. Under Ryerkerk's leadership, Celanese received its fifth consecutive Energy Star Partner of the Year for Sustained Excellence Award and achieved a perfect score on the Human Rights

Campaign's Corporate Equality Index for the second consecutive year.

Prior to joining Celanese, Ryerkerk was the executive vice president of global manufacturing at Shell Downstream Inc., leading a team of 30,000 employees and contractors at refineries and chemical sites worldwide. She has also held senior leadership positions at Hess Corporation and spent 24 years with Exxon Mobil, improving operational performance in assignments across the U.S. to Europe and Asia.

Ryerkerk is married to the Honorable Carl R. Griffith. She is the proud mother of two children, Dr. Katherine Woodburn, a fellow in urogynecology in Washington, D.C. and Grant Woodburn, a senior in chemical engineering at the Colorado School of Mines.

Ryerkerk is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# Professional Achievement Citation in Engineering (PACE)

#### COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Established in 1968 to recognize superior technical or professional accomplishments in research, development, administration, education, and other engineering activities. The citation recognizes alumni eminently known for their professional competence and creativity.



# **Edward Maginn**

'87 Chemical Engineering South Bend, Indiana

Edward Maginn is a recognized research and education leader in chemical engineering. Currently the Keough-Hesburgh Professor in the University of Notre Dame Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, he has demonstrated success in both research innovation and inspiring the next generation of chemical engineers.

Maginn was department chair from 2012 to 2020 and previously served as associate dean for academic programs in the Notre Dame Graduate School. He has advised 32 PhD students, 21 postdoctoral researchers, and 29 undergrad researchers, and he teaches a wide range of undergrad and graduate-level thermodynamics, process design, and separation processes courses. He has won multiple teaching awards, including the BP College of Engineering Outstanding Teacher Award.

Maginn's research expertise is the development and use of atomistic molecular dynamics

and Monte Carlo simulation methods to study the thermodynamic and transport properties of materials, with emphasis on ionic systems important in energy and environmental applications. He has published more than 180 peer-reviewed articles, holds five patents, and has been elected a fellow of the AAAS and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers.

Maginn is senior editor and founder of the Springer Nature series "Molecular Modeling and Simulation: Applications and Perspectives" and is a senior editor of The Journal of Physical Chemistry B.

After graduating from Iowa State, Maginn worked as a process engineer for Procter & Gamble and received a PhD from the University of California, Berkeley. He is married to Iowa State alumna Tracy Maginn ('87 English), and he and Tracy have four children: Grace, Jake, Emma and Teddy.

Maginn is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# Professional Achievement Citation in Engineering (PACE)

#### **COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

Established in 1968 to recognize superior technical or professional accomplishments in research, development, administration, education, and other engineering activities. The citation recognizes alumni eminently known for their professional competence and creativity.

#### Jeff VerHeul

'80 Computer Engineering Austin, Texas

Jeff VerHeul is a computer engineering leader with more than three decades of product innovation and management success at the industry's most recognizable companies.

VerHeul is senior vice president of non-volatile engineering at Micron, a world leader in innovating memory and storage solutions. He's responsible for leading the non-volatile (NAND flash and 3D XPoint™) memory engineering team — 2,500 employees across six countries who drive execution of Micron's leading-edge flash memory semiconductors and system-level storage solutions.

Prior to joining Micron, VerHeul served as senior vice president of corporate engineering for SanDisk. His career also includes senior and corporate vice president positions with Standard Microsystems Corporation and AMD, where he led the development of multiple generations of microprocessors. He spent 25 years with IBM, working his way up to vice president positions within IBM Server Group and IBM Microelectronics.

VerHeul made InfoWorld's list of best chief technology officers in 2009 for his outstanding ability — demonstrated at AMD – to overcome engineering development process deficiencies and obstacles inhibiting the delivery of leadership products. At Micron, he is known for his ability to quickly win respect and drive program transformation, helping teams be the best in class.

In addition to his degree from Iowa State, VerHeul received a master's degree in management of technology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

VerHeul is married to Mary Jo VerHeul. They have four children: Victoria, Alex ('06 finance), Alanna, and Paige.

VerHeul serves on the College of Engineering's Dean's Advisory Council and is a member of the ISU Foundation Order of the Knoll President's Circle. He is also an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# Young Alumni Award

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING** 

The Young Alumni Award recognizes Iowa State University alumni, age 40 and under, who have excelled in their professions and provided service to their communities.



'02 Construction Engineering Phoenix, Arizona



Kinsella has demonstrated outstanding skills in a wide variety of construction engineering areas, including risk management, operations, people development, and work acquisition. In 2019 she was named to Arizona's Real Estate People to Know, and she's been profiled in Engineering News-Record's (ENR) Viewpoint series. In 2020, Kinsella was named to Arizona's Real Estate People Most Influential Women in Real Estate list.

Kinsella serves as a role model for women in the building industry. She has shared her story at the 2017 ENR's Groundbreaking Women in Construction conference and serves the Phoenix community. Kinsella is currently a member of Greater Phoenix Leadership and is on the board of directors for Banner Health. Previously, Kinsella served on the Junior League of Phoenix for seven years.

She was similarly involved in the Iowa State University community during her time on campus, participating in numerous organizations, including Homecoming Committee as special events chair and the Panhellenic Board Council.

Kinsella is married to Ryan Kinsella, and they are parents to a four-year-old daughter who fills Kinsella's free time with joy and laughter.



# COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES

# **Alumni Achievement Award**

#### **COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES**

The alumni achievement award recognizes alumni for meritorious service and/or distinguished achievements in areas such as business and industry, education, family and consumer sciences, and health.



# Marsha A. Goetting

PhD '96 Family Resource Management Bozeman, Montana

In the national arena, Marsha Anderson Goetting is Cooperative Extension's top go-to expert on estate planning. As a professor and extension family economics specialist at Montana State University, she has superbly developed and delivered estate planning and family financial education workshops that have reached more than 45,000 Montanans in every county and reservation. The workshops, 75 peer reviewed fact sheets, and other educational pieces she has developed have resulted in transformational change — especially for women, families, and indigenous people — in Montana, the West, and across the U.S.

Goetting collaborates with a wide array of cross-disciplinary colleagues from across the nation. Through visionary leadership; excellence in reliable, practical, and effective programming; and the resulting impact on constituents have garnered more than 50 awards. She has received top honors from groups ranging from Cooperative Extension and the USDA to the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, the Montana Gerontology Society, and the State Bar of Montana

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## Theron J. Schutte

PhD '03 Education Administration Marshalltown, Iowa

Theron Schutte is a premier educational leader whose work enriches the lives of children and their families, and people throughout the state.

Schutte is esteemed for building community relationships. As superintendent of Marshalltown Schools, he cultivates partnerships to implement transformational, cross-sector reforms that improve opportunities for historically underserved students. An integral member of the Marshalltown Business-Education Alliance, he has raised funds to enhance Marshalltown's STEM education programs. He led formation of a Junior Achievement Program and creation of the Bobcat Pride Campaign that promotes student and alumni success. Under his leadership, the district became the first in Iowa to graduate students with a Career and College Readiness Certificate and offer Seal of Biliteracy Certification. Both the iconic Marshalltown Roundhouse Community Center and a

promising summer school program were expanded. The progress of the district has even drawn more highly-qualified individuals to the school board.

Schutte has earned several statewide honors for educational vision and leadership. He served as president of the School Administrators of Iowa in 2009-2010, where he helped grow the organization's capacity to influence educational decision-making. He is an integral contributor to Science Bound, Iowa State's program that partners with schools to ready underserved students for success in STEM college studies and careers. While serving on the executive committee of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA) between 2016-2018, he helped redefine, redesign, and reimagine public education. As evidence of his growing influence, Schutte is one of three candidates up for consideration to become president-elect of the AASA National Superintendents Association.

Schutte is an ISU Alumni Association annual member.





# Helen LeBaron Hilton Award

#### **COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES**

This award recognizes graduates who are nationally and internationally recognized for their community leadership, meritorious service or distinguished achievement in the areas of family and consumer sciences.

# Nancy Rygg Armbrust

'73 Food and Nutrition Green Bay, Wisconsin

Nancy Armbrust is the accomplished retired vice president for education and community relations of Schreiber Foods, the largest employee-owned customer brand dairy company in the world, where she serves as director emeritus. The company recognized her astounding influence by establishing the Nancy Armbrust Impact Award, which is given annually to recognize a woman who – like Nancy – has left an indelible impact on the community.

Armbrust is also an enthusiastic volunteer advocate for the development and education of children and their families. She puts her vision into action by pairing leadership and expertise in community engagement with insightful analyses of needs and resources.

Continually strengthening the fabric of her community, she has garnered the Community Builder Award from NeighborWorks Green Bay, Unity Award from the Oral Health Partnership, Community Impact Award from United Way of Brown County (Wisconsin), and the Friends of Education Governor's Award from the state of Wisconsin.

Extolling Iowa State and promoting the opportunities it extends to others, Armbrust has served on the Iowa State University Foundation Board of Governors since 2012, recently as chair. She is a member of the Order of the Knoll and a life member of the Alumni Association. She has also served on the Human Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Dean's Advisory Councils and the Greek Advisory Council.

# Virgil S. Lagomarcino Laureate Award

#### **COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES**

This award honors graduates who are nationally and internationally recognized for their meritorious service or distinguished achievement in the field of education.

## **Shouan Pan**

'93 PhD Higher Education Administration Seattle, Washington

Shouan Pan is an outstanding academic leader best known for strategic, innovative, and transparent leadership delivered with integrity. He is a change agent who has advanced several major urban community colleges to improve the lives and skills of hundreds of thousands of students, who in turn enliven their communities.

Pan's leadership shines as he draws together disparate groups to embrace a common vision, mission, and values. He has earned respect and admiration from college, industry, government, and community partners throughout his career in higher education, whether guiding student life at Community College of Philadelphia, elevating academics as provost at the Florida State College Jackson campus, presiding over Mesa Community College in Arizona, or currently serving as chancellor and CEO of the Community College of Seattle — the largest community college system in Washington state.

He is a national trendsetter in promoting rigorous applied baccalaureate degrees offered by community colleges to provide low-cost, flexible options for students who would not traditionally have ready access to four-year degrees. He was chosen from among the most influential, resourceful, and dynamic community college leaders in the world to serve on the board of the League for Innovation in the Community College. He has also served on the executive board of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) and chaired the AACC-affiliated National Asian Pacific Islander Council.

Pan is an ISU Alumni Association annual member



# **Outstanding Young Professional Award**

#### **COLLEGE OF HUMAN SCIENCES**

The Outstanding Young Professional award honors alumni for remarkable early career achievements.



## Jennifer J. Suchan

PhD '16 Higher Education Administration Ankeny, Iowa

Only 10 years after she began working in higher education, Jennifer Suchan was named registrar of Iowa State University in December 2019. She has reached this level of complex leadership responsibility at a large, renowned research university at an exceptionally early age.

Suchan blends a deep understanding of higher education with sophisticated data analysis and creativity to lead innovations that improve student success.

Although registrars are sometimes viewed as silos who focus on registration, transcripts, and policies, Suchan's vision is wide-ranging. She sees the campus as a whole and partners with colleges to support each student's unique college adventure. She leads collaborations that concentrate support for those who need it most, resolving issues specific to at-risk students, including students who are first-generation, transfers, or military veterans.

She stands out among her peers as an exceptionally insightful and knowledgeable advisor to the State of Iowa Board of Regents on national trends and policy matters. She held the inaugural meeting of regent commencement coordinators, which led to all three universities sharing ideas that recognize achievement, save money, improve efficiency, and benefit the state. The group has since extended an invitation to other colleges. With her regents partners, she has also shared innovative commencement practices with colleagues from other states and Canada.

Suchan is an ISU Alumni Association annual member.

# COLLEGE OF LIBERALARTS & SCIENCES

# Citation of Merit Award

#### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Awarded to distinguished alumni of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and received national or international recognition.



# Lynette S. Hornung

'93 Political Science; MA '97 Political Science; MS '04 Information Assurance Annapolis, Maryland

Lynette Hornung is considered one of the top subject matter experts on issues regarding enterprise security architecture and data security and privacy solutions. Currently, Hornung serves as the Microsoft security architect with Catapult Systems, where she works closely with senior leadership and cross-functional teams to deploy Office 365 and provide executive briefings to a variety of customers. She plays a major role on various projects and initiatives by providing expertise on meeting cloud security best practices, state, and international data protection and privacy.

Prior to this, Hornung was the principle security and privacy architect with Dell Technologies. She was also the senior privacy and security architecture manager for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), leading the effort to develop the Privacy Data Protection Program with the USDA's Rural Development office. From 2012 to 2020, she served as senior

enterprise security architecture and privacy manager for TCG Inc., supporting the Executive Office of the President, the Office of the Federal Chief Information Officer, and the Department of the Treasury.

Hornung has also provided enterprise security and data privacy expertise to Northrop Grumman Information Technology; the United States Department of Justice, Office of Chief Information Office, Justice Management Division; and the Information Technology Department of the state of Iowa.

She is a past recipient of a National Science Foundation Cyber Corps Scholarship for Service Award. She continues to provide mentoring and advice to Iowa State students as they prepare to launch careers in her areas of expertise.

She is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association as well as a board member of CyberSecurity Divas.

# Distinguished Service Award

### **COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES**

Awarded to alumni, faculty and friends of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who have demonstrated outstanding service or academic contributions that further the educational mission of the college.

### Richard R. Phillips

'78 Journalism and Mass Communication Des Moines, Iowa

Rick Phillips has spent 20+ years working in communications, marketing, and public relations positions for organizations such as Meredith Corporation, United Way of Central Iowa, Greater Des Moines Chamber of Commerce Federation, and GuideOne Insurance. In 1999, he joined Nationwide, a Fortune 100 financial services and insurance company. He was promoted to chief communications officer in February 2009, a position he held until retiring in July 2018.

Over the years, Phillips has remained actively involved with the Greenlee School and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. He has been a member of the Greenlee School Advisory Council since 2010, serving as council vice chair from 2016-2018 and as council chair from 2018-2020.

He was a driving force for the first-ever Greenlee Summit in 2018, a day-long industry forum that brought professionals, students, and educators together in a learning environment with the goal of highlighting current issues and trends. The 2018 Summit attracted 235 journalism, public relations, and advertising professionals from throughout Iowa and surrounding states. In 2019, the summit focused on the timely issue of civility in journalism, advertising, and public relations, and drew another 150 attendees from around the Midwest. The summits achieved the goal of raising the profile of the Greenlee School to prospective and existing students, employers, and working communications professionals.

"Like so many Greenlee alums, I owe much of my success to the outstanding foundation I was given here," Phillips said. "Greenlee's ongoing mission of training leaders in journalism, advertising, and public relations has never been more important than it is today."



# John V. Atanasoff Discovery Award

**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES** 

Awarded to alumni of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who have significantly advanced scientific knowledge through laboratory accomplishments and/or management.



### Carla M. Koehler

'86 Biochemistry; MS '89 Biochemistry and Molecular Biology; PhD '95 Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Los Angeles, California

Carla Koehler runs her own lab—the Koehler Lab—at the University of California Los Angeles, where she is also a professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Koehler has established a leading research program that uses fundamental biochemical and genetic approaches to characterize mitochondrial assembly pathways, which has broad implications for mitochondrial dysfunction in degenerative diseases of muscles and the neural system.

Her lab pioneered studies characterizing an oxidation-reduction pathway for the import of proteins and a pathway for the assembly of inner membrane proteins, and the lab is also developing a chemical biology approach to develop new modulators –termed MitoBloCKs – of mitochondrial biogenesis.

Koehler was named a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 2019. Her other numerous awards and accolades include an Established Investigator Award from the American Heart Association, a Damon Runyon Walter Winchell Scholar Award, and a Beckman Young Investigator Award. She also received the ISUAA's Outstanding Young Alumni Award in 2003.

Koehler currently serves on the scientific advisory board of the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation. She also reviews grants and regularly serves as a panel member for the American Heart Association and the Department of Defense. She is the current chair of the Neural Oxidative Metabolism, Mitochondria, and Cell Death (NOMD) Study Section at the National Institutes of Health.

In addition to mentoring three UCLA Regent Scholars every year, Koehler takes time to visit Ivanhoe Elementary School annually to teach a hands-on module about zebrafish biology to second grade students.

Koehler is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association and belongs to Order of the Knoll President's Circle.

# Carrie Chapman Catt Public Engagement Award

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Awarded to alumni of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who have demonstrated outstanding achievement for their work with public entities at local, state, national or international levels.

### David C. Wheelock

'82 Economics Clayton, Missouri

After earning a bachelor's degree in economics from Iowa State University in 1982 and a master's degree and Ph.D. in economics from the University of Illinois in 1984 and 1987, respectively, David Wheelock secured a position with the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis in 1993, where he has worked for nearly 30 years. In his current role as senior vice president and senior policy advisor, Wheelock advises the bank's president on monetary policy and conducts policy-related economic research. In addition, he contributes to the administration of the massive data resource known as the Federal Reserve Economic Data (FRED).

Before joining the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, Wheelock was a faculty member in the Department of Economics at the University of Texas at Austin. He has authored numerous articles and books on the establishment and history of the Federal Reserve and its monetary policy for professional journals and Federal Reserve publications.

Wheelock ranks among the top 3% of all economic researchers worldwide, according to the Economic Ranking System. In his areas of research, he ranks 42nd globally in economic history, 44th in banking, and 22nd in monetary policy based on citations of his work.

Wheelock has returned to Iowa State on occasion to give lectures and speak to the ISU Economics Club, where he offers an overview of the Federal Reserve System, its responsibilities, and current challenges with monetary policy. He also discusses employment opportunities in the Federal Reserve System for undergraduates with economic degrees.

Wheelock is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.



# Distinguished Young Alumni Award

### COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

Awarded to alumni of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences who are under 40 years of age and who have excelled in their professions and provided service to their communities.

### Justin K. Hines

BS '04 Biochemistry, PhD '07 Biochemistry Harleysville, Pennsylvania

Justin Hines' academic career may be short, but he has built a resume that is long and distinguished. Hines is an associate professor of chemistry at Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, where he teaches multiple courses in chemistry and biochemistry and runs a productive, federally funded undergraduate research laboratory.

Hines conducts research on the misfolding of proteins to form amyloids, which are associated with numerous human diseases, including Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, and prion diseases. He has received grants from the National Institutes of Health, the Research Corporation for Science Advancement (RCSA), and the Dreyfus Foundation, among others.. Hines is currently co-authoring the 10th edition of "Biochemistry," one of the most popular biochemistry textbooks in the world.

Hines has received national and institutional awards for his teaching and scholarship. In 2015,

RSCA named Hines a Cottrell Scholar in recognition of significant excellence in both research and educational initiatives. In 2018, he was just one of eight winners nationally of the prestigious Henry Dreyfus Teacher-Scholar Award. In addition, he has been honored for his teaching and educational contributions by Lafayette College, the National Academies, and Iowa State University.

Hines shares his expertise by giving numerous invited research seminars and national or international conference talks. He also visits high school classes to present chemistry demonstrations and talk about college success and career planning. Most recently, he started a project with students to address issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion in STEM classes.

Hines is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

# Stange Award for Meritorious Service

### **COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

Established in 1970 to honor alumni for outstanding professional achievements in education, government, industry, practice, or other professional endeavors in veterinary medicine.

### Gary L. Borkowski, DVM

'83 Dairy Science & Agricultural & Life Sciences Education, '87 Veterinary Medicine Wildwood, Missouri

Gary Borkowski is the global director of AAALAC International, a private, non-profit organization that promotes the humane treatment of animals in science through voluntary accreditation and assessment. There are more than 1,000 institutions in 49 countries that have earned AAALAC accreditation. As global director, he oversees the accreditation program, and represents and promotes the organization's mission globally.

Dr. Borkowski has over 30 years of experience in academic and pharmaceutical laboratory animal medicine. He has worked at major international research institutions including Vanderbilt University, Pennsylvania State University, Upstate Medical Center, Monsanto, Pfizer, Pharmacia, and Eli Lilly and Company. He also worked at the Kennedy Space Center on Space Shuttle Life Sciences missions for the commercial development of microgravity research.

Throughout his career, Dr. Borkowski has been recognized for his outstanding contributions in support of the welfare of animals used in science in the academic and industry positions where he was employed. He also advanced the welfare of animals through his volunteer service in numerous professional organizations such as the American Society of Laboratory Animal Practitioners where he served on the board of directors and as President (1995-2000), and the American College of Laboratory Animal Medicine where he rose through the ranks of president-elect to president in 2015.

From 1995-2005, Dr. Borkowski served as the alternate representative on the American Veterinary Medical Association's Legislative Advisory Committee. He's also lent his expertise as a scientific reviewer for the Journal of Wilderness Medicine and Contemporary Topics in Laboratory Animal Science.

Borkowski is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# Stange Award for Meritorious Service

### **COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

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### Laura Molgaard, DVM

'88 Distributed Studies; '91 Veterinary Medicine St. Paul, Minnesota

Laura Molgaard is highly regarded and recognized for her leadership and vision in identifying and implementing broad systemic changes in veterinary education.

As a member of the American Association of Veterinary Medical Colleges, Molgaard led an international group of veterinary educators to develop a modern, adaptable, and comprehensive competency framework for veterinary education to guide curriculum revision and student assessment in order to graduate students who are successful from their first day as veterinarians. This groundbreaking initiative was recognized by the AAVMC as one of the most substantial pedagogical projects undertaken. In 2020, Molgaard and her group were honored with the AAVMC's Presidential Award for Meritorious Service.

At the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine, Molgaard has led initiatives in veterinary pipeline development, admissions, diversity, and culture/climate.

In 2019, she received the Outstanding Faculty Award by the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association. She was inducted into the Academy of Excellence in the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (2015) at the University of Minnesota. In 2012 the University of Minnesota recognized her with the Access Achievement Award for her work in providing equitable access in the college for all aspects of learning for veterinary students with disabilities

After graduation from Iowa State in 1991, Molgaard was a private small animal practitioner. In 1997, she joined the faculty at the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine as a clinical instructor, rising through the academic ranks to become the associate dean for academic affairs in 2001, prior to her appointment as interim dean in 2019.





# William P. Switzer Award in Veterinary Medicine

### COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Established in 1998 to recognize exemplary individuals who have made significant contributions to society through their achievements, or have made major contributions to the enhancement of the College of Veterinary Medicine.

### Charles Lemme, DVM

'75 Veterinary Medicine Cedar Rapids, Iowa

For over 40 years Charles Lemme has been a shining example of a public servant through his leadership in organized veterinary profession. His strong sense of responsibility for the future of the profession drove him to serve at the local, state and national levels of the profession where his efforts continue to benefit future generations of veterinarians.

Lemme became involved in organized veterinary medicine early in his career as a small animal practitioner in Evanston, Illinois, serving as a committee chair and board member of the Chicago Veterinary Medical Association. In 1985, he returned home to Iowa, where he served in numerous leadership positions in the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association, including as a committee chair, board member, and president in 2007. Locally, Lemme was an active member and president of the Linn County Veterinary Medical Association (1988) and Eastern Iowa Veterinary Medical Association (1994).

Throughout his career, Lemme was someone who others sought out for input into challenging and critical issues facing the profession. His organizational skills and ability to bring people together were invaluable in the national roles he served within the profession, as a former area director for the American Animal Hospital Association, and currently as an executive board member of the American Veterinary Medical Association.

He also served his community by leading the pet recovery efforts in the Cedar Rapids area during the floods of 2008.

In 2015, Lemme was the recipient of the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association's Veterinarian of the Year Award. In 1993, the AAHA presented him with the Excel Award for his achievements.

In the words of a colleague: "It is impossible to not be inspired by the passion he has for our profession and his tireless dedication to improving its future."

Lemme is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# **Outstanding Young Alumni Award**

### **COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

Established in 2019 to recognize alumni who have excelled in the veterinary profession and/or provided service to their community 10 years or less after their DVM graduation.

### Sherry Johnson, DVM

'08 Spanish & Animal Science, '12 Veterinary Medicine Ft. Collins, Colorado

Sherry Johnson is well-known as an energetic entrepreneur, visionary, and collegial collaborator.

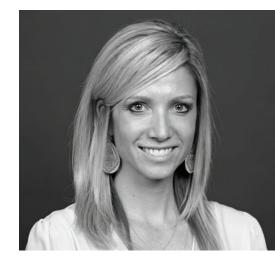
She is a partner and co-founder of two businesses, Equine Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation and Equine CORE, Inc., the nation's first equine-focused, specialist-owned and operated tele-rehabilitation service. Her expertise in the area of equine sports medicine has led to her and her practice serving as the official show veterinarians at major Quarter Horse events.

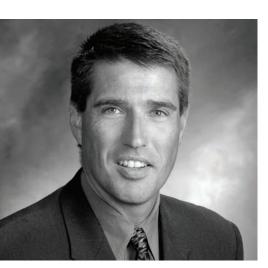
In 2013, Johnson completed an equine internship at Equine Medical Center of Ocala (Florida), followed by a year of private practice working with Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred athletes in Iowa and Texas. In 2015, she completed an equine diagnostic imaging fellowship at Colorado State University. She transitioned into the equine sports medicine and rehabilitation residency program at CSU & Equine Sports Medicine, LLC, pre-eminent

equine orthopedic research group in the nation. She earned a master's degree in veterinary clinical sciences (2018) from CSU and board-certification from the American College of Veterinary Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation (2019).

Currently, she is a post-doctoral fellow in the equine sports medicine program at CSU, while she completes her PhD. Her research focuses on tendon injury, repair and novel rehabilitation strategies related to tendon healing, which will have significant impacts on equine and human rehabilitation approaches. Johnson is licensed to practice in nine states. She has authored five peer-reviewed publications, seven textbook chapters, and 11 proceedings manuscripts. In 2019, she was the youngest member of the AAEP to have a prominent speaking role during its annual conference.

Johnson is the recipient of the American Quarter Horse Foundation Young Investigator Award (2018), named the EQUUS Foundation Research Fellow (2019), the Storm Cat Career Development Award (2020) from the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation and the American Association of Equine Practitioners' President's Award (2020).





# Lorraine J. Hoffman Graduate Alumni Award

### COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Established in 2019, the Hoffman Graduate Alumni Award is given to an individual who received a master's and/or PhD from the College of Veterinary Medicine. The award honors individuals who have demonstrated outstanding achievement or leadership in making significant, influential or innovative contributions to society.

### **Michael Roof**

'87 Microbiology, MS '89 Veterinary Microbiology & Prev Med, PhD '91 Microbiology, Immunology & Prev Med Ames, Iowa

Michael Roof is the Chief Technology Officer for the Vaccines and Immunotherapeutics research and innovation platform at Iowa State University. At the CTO, he leads Iowa State's efforts to identify and accelerate development of new technologies and innovations with strong commercial potential to support the state of Iowa's biosciences-based economic growth initiative.

Roof is a recognized expert in animal vaccine research and development. His contributions have had a significant global impact on animal health disease prevention. Prior to joining Iowa State in 2020, Roof spent nearly 30 years in the pharmaceutical industry, most of those years with Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc., where he served as global director of biologics research and development. Roof has been credited with the licensure of

over 20 animal health vaccines in pigs, cattle, dogs and cats. He has also been credited with over 30 patent applications for diseases in in animal health. He has authored over 40 peer-reviewed publications.

In 2005, Roof was recognized by Boehringer Ingelheim with its Innovator of the Year Award, recognizing his efforts to develop industry leading innovation in Salmonella and Lawsonia vaccines for animals. The Salmonella vaccine was licensed technology from ISU

Throughout his career, Roof has also been widely recognized for his ability as a gifted learner and teacher of complex ideas. His skill and passion to work in global collaborations allowed him the opportunity to lead teams of scientists in the US, Germany, and China.

Since 2000, Roof has served on the Ames Economic and Development Commission, where he was president from 2009-2010. He is a past member of the ISU Research Foundation (2005-2009) and iiCORP (2018-2020).

Roof is a life member of the ISU Alumni Association.

# REMORIAL UNION



### Harold Pride Service Medallion

### MEMORIAL UNION

Established in 1953 to recognize an individual who has given extensively of themselves on behalf of the Memorial Union. The recipient shall have attained prominence through their efforts in the development and support of the Iowa State Memorial Union, have given of their time in the service of the Iowa State Memorial Union, and by their deeds and actions reflect the importance of the Memorial Union and their pride in the Memorial Union.

### **Katherine Svec**

Journalism and Mass Communication '82 '70 Art Education Ames, Iowa

The Memorial Union is honored to present the Harold Pride Service Medallion to Kathy Svec.

Svec worked at the Memorial Union from 1978 until 2010, retiring as the Memorial Union's marketing coordinator after 32 years of service. Her efforts to further the MU's marketing and graphic design goals, expand arts programs in non-credit classes, exhibitions, and permanent art collection, uncover and share the organization's history, and engage the community in the life of the MU left a mark that is still felt today.

In the fall of 2003, she planned the first Gold Star Hall Ceremony to honor those whose names were added to the memorial wall that year - instigating a new annual tradition. Each year, to develop each honoree's personal

biography, she would carefully research the personal and service histories of those honored by contacting surviving family members, local libraries and newspapers, the Iowa State yearbook, and university and military archives. In many cases, the ceremony provided much-needed closure for families.

Over the years, the program she started has grown in prominence and attendance. Long after her retirement, Svec continues to be actively involved with the Memorial Union.

Svec is an annual member of the ISU Alumni Association.

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# Alumni Humanitarian Award

Established in 1932 by the ISU Club of Chicago to recognize ISU alumni for outstanding humanitarian efforts that transcend purely professional accomplishments and bring honor to the university.

### T. Robert Bashara, DVM

'63 Veterinary Medicine Bennington, Nebraska

Creatures great and small ... T. Robert Bashara has worked with them all. After graduating from Iowa State University and serving in the U.S. Army Veterinary Corps, Bashara began his own veterinary practice, the Mapleview Animal Clinic, in Omaha, Nebraska.

Bashara is involved in many respected organizations, including serving as CEO of the Doris Day Animal Foundation and the president of the Doris Day and Terry Melcher Foundation.

Bashara has participated in many impressive initiatives within the Doris Day Animal Foundation (DDAF). He was one of the founding advocates for Spay Day USA, which has grown into World Spay Day under the guidance of the Doris Day Animal League. Moreover, through a grant from DDAF, Bashara was instrumental in rescuing, rehabilitating, and releasing more than 200 sea lion pups after a crisis that led to them washing up on California shores. Bashara has also led initiatives that established the Doris Day Equine Center, a

facility for abused horses and wild mustangs in Texas. More recently, he instigated an endowment fund supported by DDAF for scholarships to veterinary students at Iowa State University who are studying shelter medicine.

Because of his achievements, Bashara has received many accolades and honors. In 2018, he was awarded the Animal Welfare Award from the American Veterinary Medical Association - one of only 18 people to have been honored with the award. The Iowa State College of Veterinary Medicine awarded Bashara with the Stange Award for Meritorious Service in Veterinary Medicine in 2018.

Bashara and his wife, Jan, live in Bennington, Nebraska. He is a member of the Order of the Knoll Campanile Society.

### **Alumni Service Award**

Established in 2006 to recognize ISU alumni and friends whose self-initiated activities and service consistently support the daily work of the ISU Alumni Association in further connecting alumni, students, and friends to the university.

### **Barry L Peterson**

'90 Industrial Education & Technology McKinney, Texas

If you want to see Cyclone spirit, look no further than Barry Peterson. After settling in Texas, Peterson assisted in connecting Cyclones through the alumni club in Dallas-Fort Worth. He was elected to be the vice president of the group in 2013 before becoming president in 2014. It's a leadership position he continues to hold today.

Peterson has revitalized the Cyclone pride of the Dallas-Fort Worth community. One of his major successes has been organizing must-attend Cyclone game watches and tailgates. When he began assisting with the game watches, they had an average of 20 people in attendance. Prior to the pandemic, their most recent Cy-Hawk football game watches had grown to more than 300 people, while football tailgates that the group sponsors have topped more than 1,300 fans. Peterson has facilitated partnerships with other alumni groups in Texas to host joint

tailgates for neighboring games. Another crowd favorite is the annual Dallas-Fort Worth Cyclone Family Picnic.

Peterson has also worked to create a scholarship fund for local high school seniors. Through fundraising efforts and income from the club, two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to students graduating from the Dallas-Fort Worth area annually. During his time as leader, the group has raised over \$60,000 to give to aspiring Cyclones and an endowed scholarship will launch in the 2022-23 academic year.

Peterson currently lives in McKinney, Texas, with his wife, Angela. He is a life member of the Iowa State University Alumni Association and belongs to the Order of the Knoll Campanile Society and the Gridiron Club.





# **Impact Award**

Established in 2000 to recognize individuals, businesses, organizations, or units whose programs or accomplishments brought broad recognition to the university and increased the involvement of ISU constituents in the life of the university during the year prior to being nominated.

### Tin-Shi Tam

Ankeny, Iowa

The Campanile ... the most iconic symbol of Iowa State University. Cyclones everywhere know the sound of the music flowing from the carillon bells. Tin-Shi Tam, the Charles T. & Ivadelle Cobb Cownie Professor of Music, is the artist in charge of playing the carillon inside of the bell tower. For the past 26 years, Tam has climbed 79 steps to the top of the Campanile to perform her concerts for students, faculty, and the residents of Ames every weekday. However, Tam's impact on the university spans beyond her musical talent.

Six years ago, Tam decided that she wanted to build a 1:5 scale replica of the Campanile. The replica would be functional as well as transportable. Her vision was to increase awareness about how the carillon functioned, as well as give alumni the opportunity to reminisce about their time on campus.

To achieve this goal, Tam and a team launched a campaign to raise \$210,000 to build the replica. While completing the replica's construction, Tam worked with more than 200 students, faculty, and staff from various academic backgrounds. This project was unveiled in 2019 at the Bells of Iowa State Anniversary Gala Concert.

Tam is the ex-officio of the Society of Carillon Alumni and Friends and also serves on the advisory committee of the Stanton Memorial Carillon Foundation. Tam is a member of the Order of the Knoll Campanile Society.

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### **Iowa State Daily**

Ames, Iowa

Want to see the impact of innovative journalism? Look to the Iowa State Daily.

After 130 years, the Daily's role on campus and in the community continues to be felt and heard. It has served the students, faculty, and staff of Iowa State University by providing them with information they need and want so that they can make educated and informed decisions about the life of their community and their world.

The organization has also gone beyond its role of publishing a newspaper via print and digital channels and has paired with partners to diversify its storytelling. A live storytelling event, Daily Dialogues, provided members of the Iowa State and Ames communities with a more personal way of doing journalism. Students shared their experiences during Pride Month through the Daily's partnership with

The Center for LGBTQIA+ Student Success. These are two examples, with more examples being created daily by the paper's student staffers.

The work of Daily reporters has been recognized with national awards and recognitions, and countless alumni have gone on to remarkable work in journalism, advertising, marketing, communications, and public relations. In short, the impact that the Daily has on its community of staffers, the impact it has on the Iowa State and Ames communities, the impact it has on its alumni community, and the impact it has on the state and national journalism communities makes the world a better place.





# James A. Hopson Alumni Volunteer Award

Established in 1999 to recognize ISU graduates, age 40 and under, who demonstrate early volunteer leadership in the ISU Alumni Association or alumni-related activities and who are members of the ISU Alumni Association.

### **Bryan Anthony Schmidt**

'13 Architecture
Overland Park, Kansas

Bryan Schmidt has always been passionate about two things: helping others and being a Cyclone.

Starting young, Schmidt showed his Cyclone spirit by enrolling in Cyclone Alley. After he graduated from Iowa State University with a degree in architecture in 2013, Schmidt wasted no time in getting involved with the Iowa State University alumni club in Kansas City. In 2014, Schmidt was elected to the position of game watch coordinator and became president the following year, a role he still holds today.

Schmidt worked hard within the Alumni Association to promote #HiltonSouth – the nickname many Iowa Staters attribute to Kansas City – as a great place to be a Cyclone. In addition to the classic game watches the group has held, Schmidt has arranged for fans to travel to local games in Manhattan and Lawrence and the annual Iowa State Alumni Days with the Kansas City Royals and Sporting Kansas City.

Something unique about Schmidt's presidency is the creation of Cy's Crown Town Trivia Night. This annual event sells out every year and has proven to be a hit. Over the past three years, this event has raised more than \$85,000 to be donated to the Myasthenia Gravis Association. For this work, Schmidt was recently awarded the Stackhouse Distinguished Service Award from the Myasthenia Gravis Association in 2019.

Schmidt resides in Overland Park, Kansas, with his wife, Bridget. He is an annual member of the Iowa State University Alumni Association.

# **Outstanding Young Alumni Award**

Established in 1968 to recognize ISU alumni, age 40 and under, who have excelled in their professions and provided service to their communities.

### **Kelly Howard**

'08 Journalism & Mass Communication Los Angeles, California

A notable quality of Kelly Howard is her extraordinary amount of passion for her career and her alma mater.

Howard moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in public relations, eventually joining the global strategic communications agency Post+Beam in 2013. She quickly made her way up the ranks until she was offered the opportunity to acquire the company in 2016.

Following the acquisition, Howard made the decision to rebrand the company, introducing EightSixtySouth in 2017. Today, the company works with clientele across fashion, beauty, and lifestyle industries, with team members in both Los Angeles and New York.

In addition to her work as EightSixtySouth's CEO, Howard was honored as PR Couture's "Communicator of the Year" in 2018 and was named an Iowa State University STATEment Maker in 2020. Additionally, Howard has been featured in many acclaimed publications, such as New York Magazine, Buzzfeed, and Business

Insider, and has spoken as a panelist for various female entrepreneur organizations, including Simply Stylist, BOSS Talks, Women in Media LA, The XX Project, and NerdyGirl Academy. Howard is also a member of the PR Couture Council and the Forbes Los Angeles Small Business Council.

Howard has not forgotten her roots, volunteering her time to speak to classes and clubs at Iowa State, as well as hiring interns from Iowa State. As an annual member of the Iowa State University Alumni Association, she is the president of the Iowa State University Alumni Club of Los Angeles and actively hosts events, bringing together other southern California Cyclones.







# Alumni Medal

Established this award in 1948 to recognize ISU alumni for long loyal service to the university through alumni-related activities.

### George Burnet and Martha Coover Anderson

George: '48, MS '49,

PhD '51 Chemical Engineering Martha: '48 Home Management

Ames, Iowa

George Burnet and Martha Anderson are two individuals who have always been devoted to Iowa State University, and just recently found their devotion to each other. Burnet and Anderson met each other while living at Green Hills Retirement Community in Ames. After discovering their shared enthusiasm for Iowa State women's basketball games, their friendship blossomed into marriage.

After graduating and working in industry for several years, Burnet returned to Iowa State as a faculty member, subsequently becoming head of the Chemical and Biological Engineering Department in 1961 and associate dean of the College of Engineering in 1986. He retired in 1995

Anderson inherited her passion for Iowa State from her father, Mervin Coover, the namesake for Coover Hall. Following her graduation, she lived in Pennsylvania for 40 years, culminating with her serving as director of a pre-school and head start program. In 1989, she retired and returned to Ames.

Prior to the pandemic, Burnet and Anderson made a point to attend events held by the College of Human Sciences and College of Engineering, the Iowa State University Alumni Association, and the Iowa State University Foundation. They found time to gather with other alumni and globetrotted with the Iowa State University Alumni Association Traveling Cyclones program and are consistent participants in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute.

Throughout their lives, Burnet and Anderson have enjoyed philanthropy and have supported many Iowa State initiatives. Some of their favorite causes include scholarships, ISU Athletics, the Iowa State University Varsity Marching Band, and the Greek community.

Today, Burnet and Anderson live together at Green Hills Retirement Community in Ames, Iowa. They are both life members of the Iowa State University Alumni Association, belong to the Order of the Knoll W.M. Beardshear Society and Campanile Society, and are Cyclone Club members.

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### Ruby M. Trice

'87 Management Maryland Heights, Missouri

Ruby Trice is a passionate philanthropist, an eager volunteer, and a Cyclone through and through. After graduation, she reconnected with Iowa State University, and the impact she has made is impossible to ignore.

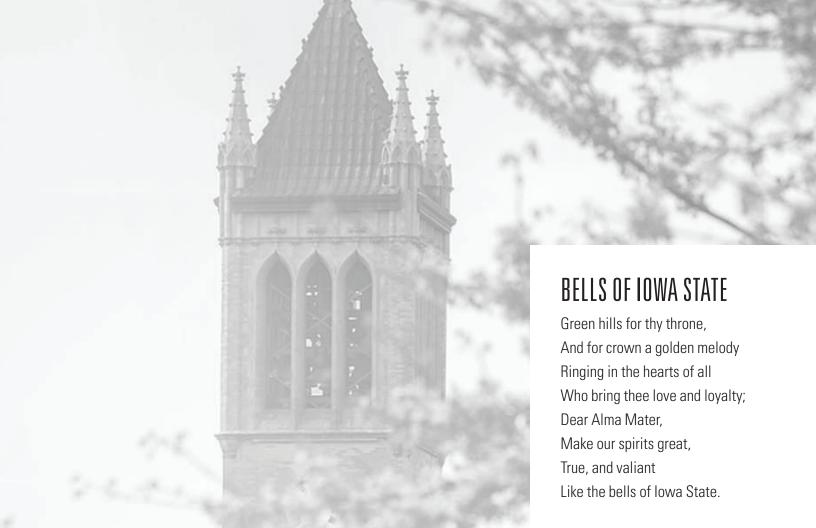
In 2004, Trice was elected to the Iowa State University Alumni Association (ISUAA) Board of Directors. Throughout the next five years, she served on subcommittees such as the membership and revenue enhancement committee, awards committee, the risk management task force, and the strategic planning committee.

Trice has engaged with Iowa State University over the years as an ambassador and through the ISU Black College Reunion. She contributes philanthropically to ISU as well. While supportive of many different areas on campus, Trice is especially passionate about the Iowa State University Alumni Association Diversity and Inclusion Endowment, the Ivy College of Business, and the George A. Jackson Challenge Fund.

In 2016 she joined the ISUAA Black College Network mentoring program as a donor and a mentor. She also joined the ISUAA's Forever True, For Iowa State campaign cabinet. She continues to build relationships with alumni and encourage those around her by nominating others for positions of leadership and awards.

Trice currently resides in Maryland Heights, Missouri, with her husband, Ramon, and son, Jadon, while her daughter, Nile, is a senior in sociology at Iowa State. Trice is a life member and sustaining life donor of the Iowa State University Alumni Association.







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