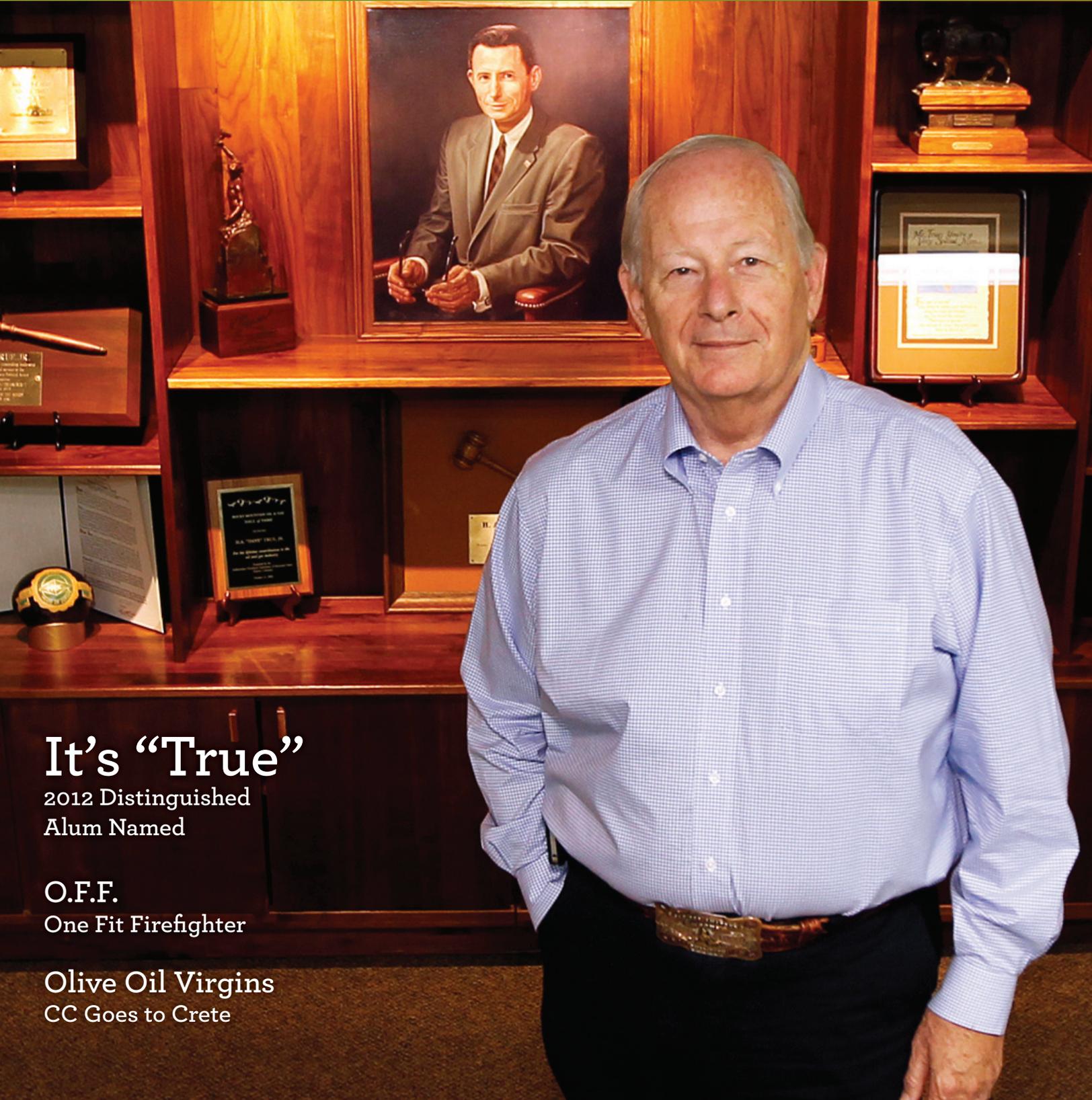


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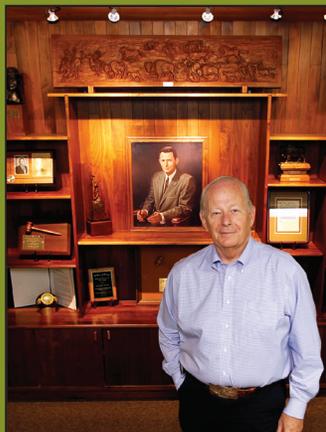
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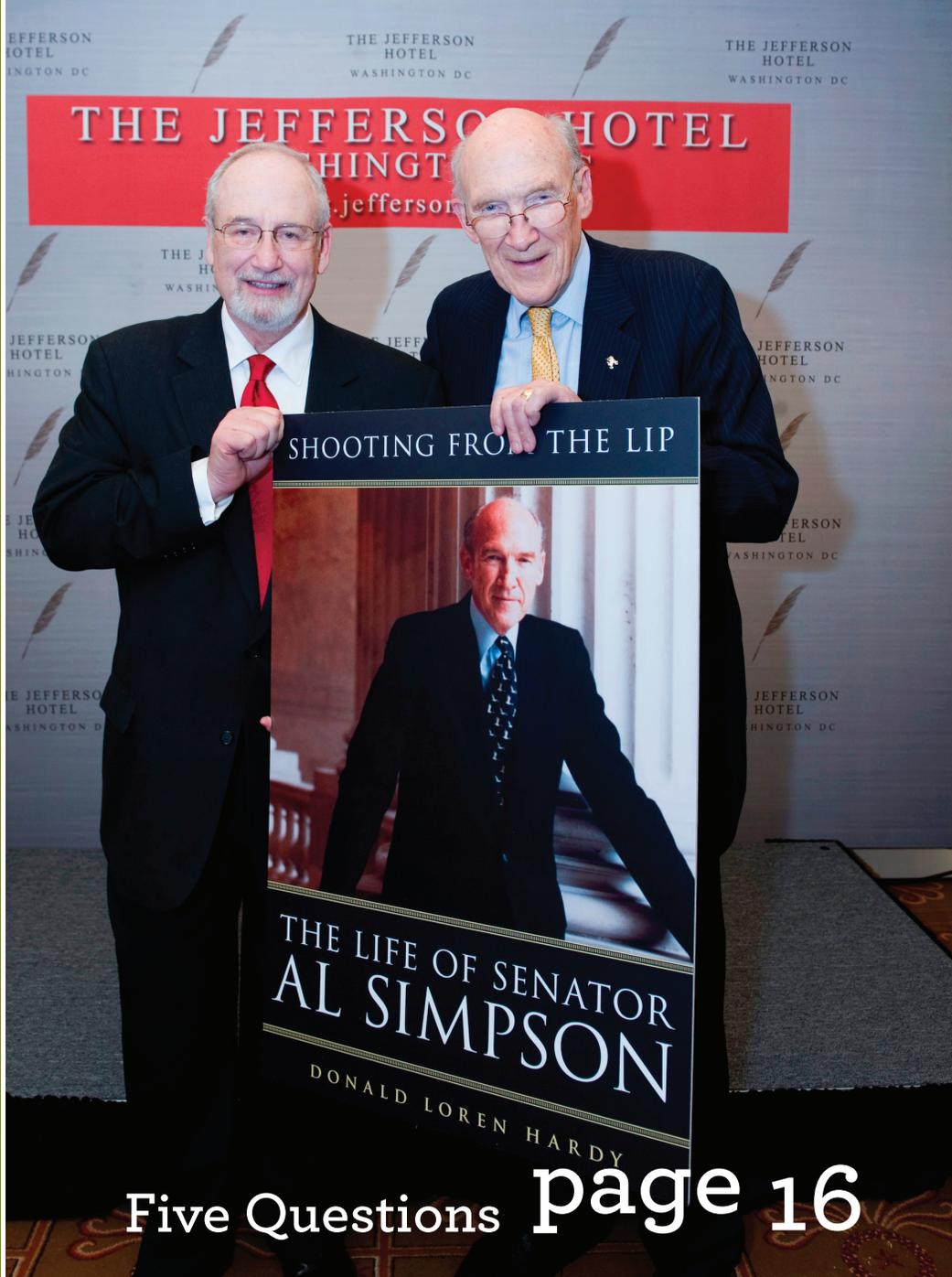
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From the Alumni Association President

Dear Friends and Fellow Alums,

Driving through the campus the other day was difficult, to say the least, and it probably will be that way for the next year. However, by that time, the lower campus will be taking shape and in the future, it will serve the community to a much higher degree. As we grow in life, the one thing that we can count on is change and it is better to embrace it then struggle with it.

In February, the Casper College Alumni Association hosted the Homecoming Chili Feed during the women and men's basketball game. We went through 35 gallons of chili and 15 pounds of cheese and onions. It was a real blast and the annual "Chase the Chill" chili feed once again provided a little heat. The face painting stand and free balloons were a big hit with young fans.

One of our functions is to give out alumni scholarships to students. Thanks to the support of our alums, we gave out 13 scholarships for the 2011-2012 academic year, totaling \$15,250.

Our 2012 Distinguished Alumnus is Hank True. See page six for a great article about Hank and what he has been doing since graduating from Casper College. We are also excited to honor Paul Hallock, former Casper College foundation director as the 2012 Commitment to Excellence recipient at our annual banquet coming up on Saturday, September 22, 2012. Watch for details about the banquet later in the summer.

I hope you enjoy this summer issue of Footprints. Be sure to check out "Five Questions for Don Hardy" ('70) and learn more about the man who was Alan Simpson's Chief of

Staff during his time in the U.S. Senate. Don's book, "Shooting From the Lip," is an engaging biography of the colorful former senator. The "Looking Back" piece this issue is from alum Dick Bunning ('65), who lives on the island of Guernsey in the Channel Islands. He shares some great CC memories and some photos from the special place he lives.

Have a great summer, get out, and enjoy this wonderful time of year.

Kevin Bromley ('77)

President
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Alumni News

Casper College GIS Student Wins Major Award

Casper College GIS student Margaret Teevens ('12) was one of two grand-prize winners in the Student GIS Challenge competition sponsored by the Claremont Graduate University School of Information Systems and Technology.

Teevens received \$1,000 in cash, a trip to California for GIS Day, and a scholarship of up to \$35,000 to pursue an advanced degree in geographic information systems (GIS) at CGU.

"Halfway through the competition they announced they were opening up the contest to doctoral, master degree, and professional developers. I knew I didn't have a chance to compete with the likes of such highly trained competition, but I had already started my project and thought I might as well finish. I did my project on traffic and transportation GIS applications along with some pedestrian and motorcycle safety initiatives. You can imagine my surprise, when they notified me that I was (a) first place winner," Teevens noted.

Teevens won the transportation safety category for her work on "Improving Transportation Safety Through Policy, Vehicle to Infrastructure Communication." "I am

honored beyond belief by this. I want to take advantage of the opportunity to continue my education and to contribute to initiatives that will save lives and make a difference in society," said Teevens.

More than 90 students from around the world registered for the competition after it was unveiled in September 2011. A panel of experts in the GIS field chose the winners.

Teevens, who recently resigned with her position with the City of Casper, is planning to attend CGU this coming fall.

The contest, co-sponsored by digital mapping leader Esri, recognized and rewarded the students who best used GIS technology to help address some of society's most pressing problems. It challenged recent college graduates and undergraduate students who were approaching graduation to develop GIS software applications in one of two areas: public health and humanitarian issues or transportation safety.



Teevens with her award.
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Alumni Banquet to Honor Hank True and Paul Hallock

Make plans now to attend the Annual Casper College Alumni Association's Alumni and Friends Banquet scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the Casper Petroleum Club.

This year Casper oilman and rancher Hank True ('63) will be recognized as the 2012 Casper College Distinguished Alumnus.

Former Executive Director of the Casper College Foundation, Paul Hallock ('65), will be recognized with the 2012 Commitment to Excellence award.

True is featured in this issue of Footprints magazine. Hallock served as the director of the Casper College Foundation for 18 years, and began his service to Casper College in 1978. He retired in 2011 after a 33-year career at Casper College. Affectionately known as

"Mr. Casper College," Hallock was a key factor in the growth of both the campus and the foundation assets. Honoring old friends, True and Hallock, makes this a very special evening.

All are welcome at this annual event which features great entertainment by CC talent and a very fun "Mystery Box" fund-raiser and silent auction. Proceeds benefit scholarships for students and institutional enhancements. Tickets for the dinner are \$50 per person and can be obtained by logging onto www.caspercollege.cc/cc_alumni_banquet.html, by emailing Linda Nix, associate director, at alumni@caspercollege.edu, or by calling her at 307-268-2218 or toll free at 800-442-2963, ext. 2218.

Nursing Photos Needed

Heather Huber, CC nursing director and instructor, is seeking photographs of the nursing classes from 1989, 1994, 1998, 1999, and 2000. If you can help, please contact her at hhuber@caspercollege.edu or 307-268-2279.



O.F.F. One Fit Firefighter



Casper's Jennifer Henderson ('00) pushes the limit

by Makayla Moore (current)

You've got to follow your heart and do what you want to do. Jennifer Henderson has lived by those words. Growing up with lemonade stands and soccer practices, she was your typical kid. With a great love of the outdoors and an active lifestyle, it surprised no one when Henderson went to college and started to pursue a career as a physical therapist.

She was taking basic emergency care and fell in love with the stories of her professor's career as a firefighter. That class changed her mind, allowing her to combine her medical interests and her desire to help people.

After an intense recruit academy, she tried out for the Casper Fire Department and was one of six hired out of roughly 150 applicants. She remembers the traditional run around town to each of the fire stations, roughly a 26-mile marathon distance.

After Henderson was accepted in the department, she was exposed to the Firefighter's Combat Challenge, which is designed to represent the physical demands of real-life firefighting. The challenge is comprised of a five-flight stair climb carrying a 40-pound folded hose, hoisting another hose pack by rope, moving a steel sled by hitting it with an axe, dragging a charged hose, and rescuing a life-sized dummy weighing 175 pounds – all while wearing 40 pounds of gear including a suit, mask, helmet and air pack.



Casper firefighter Jennifer Henderson participates in the Firefighter's Combat Challenge.
Photo by Bob Archbold.

She decided to train to compete in the challenge. "I've always been kind of an adventurous person." The training regime alone is enough to make even physically fit people wince. "Lots of weight training, lots of running, lots of body weight exercise and then more of all of it," Henderson said. In 2011, she placed second in the women's division of the World Championships, competing against nearly 600 other firefighters.

Henderson has served on the Casper Fire Department for over eight years. "I've been very fortunate with the department. They've all been very accepting and supportive of me," she said. "When we're out on a call, it's all professionalism, but when we aren't, it's just a big family. We laugh, we joke, we hangout and goof off. They've been very welcoming to me."

In her off-duty time, Henderson is part of the Casper College Fire Science Program as an instructor, she's a personal trainer, and also teaches and participates in fitness classes at a local gym. Dale Anderson, director of the

CC fire science program said, "She's not one of those individuals who sits back and barks orders and watches. She won't ask the students to do anything she won't also participate in and she teaches two classes back-to-back. She's actively participating in all of the classes she's teaching, doing every exercise right beside the students in addition to her personal work-out schedule."

Anderson said, "I always enjoy the first week of school because I tell the students one of

the required courses is firefighter fitness and they are going to have Jenn Henderson as their instructor. I tell them that she'll be pushing them to their limit so prepare ... I get the usual yeah, yeah, yeah. After the first class I think the majority of the students have a new-found respect of who Jenn Henderson is."

Sitting in on one of her fitness classes, it's easy to see the respect her students have for her. She has a special way of encouraging and motivating them to reach a higher physical fitness level. "Jenn is a great asset," Anderson said, "and one reason why the fire science program is so popular. The students think the world of her." Her contributions aren't limited to fitness; she's a mentor and an inspiration to all of her students and they love and respect her for it. Anderson summed it all up by saying, "One word to sum up Jenn: AMAZING"

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Campus News



Alumnus Matteo Pistono Commencement Speaker

Casper College alumnus Matteo Pistono was the speaker for the 66th annual Casper College commencement on May 11.

A writer, photographer, social justice campaigner, and author of "In the Shadow of the Buddha: Secret Journeys, Sacred Histories, and Spiritual Discovery in Tibet," Pistono earned an associate degree at Casper College, where he was also inducted into Phi Theta Kappa. He received his bachelor's degree in anthropology/political science from the University of Wyoming, and in 1997 obtained his master's degree in Indian philosophy from the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London.

After working with the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. on Tibetan cultural programs, Pistono lived and traveled throughout

the Himalayas for a decade, clandestinely smuggling to the West graphic accounts and photos of China's human rights abuses in Tibet. He is the founder and director of Nekorpa, a nonprofit working to protect sacred pilgrimage sites around the world, and he sits on the Executive Council of the International Network of Engaged Buddhists, Rigpa Fellowship, and the Conservancy for Tibetan Art and Culture.

This year's graduates included students from 21 states and 10 foreign countries, with all 23 Wyoming counties represented. Sixteen were international students and 416 graduates were from Natrona County. A total of 679 students graduated during the 2011-2012 academic year, earning a total of 675 degrees and 175 certificates.

CC Recognized with Community Service Award

The Literacy Volunteers of Casper recently recognized Casper College with its 2012 Community Service Award.

The organization, currently celebrating its 25th year serving the Casper community, cited Casper College "for its efforts in promoting adult education and student success."

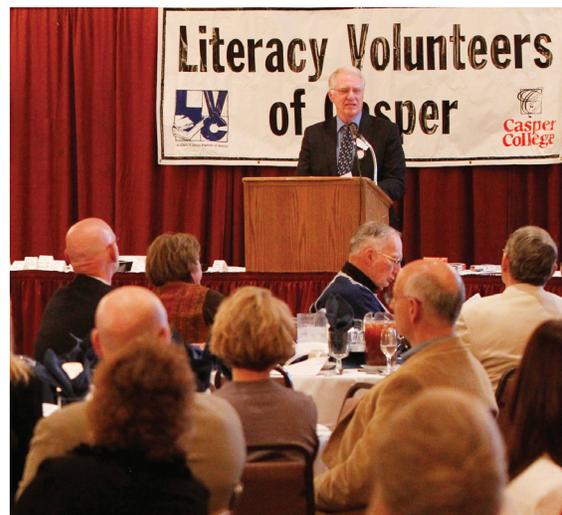
The LVC, which was originally located in the Natrona County School District's Roosevelt High School, moved to its current location at Casper College's Werner Technical Center in 1987.

"Since that time, the program has grown from two instructors to nine instructors, and also added a full-time office assistant. The center now occupies four classrooms and office space," said Lisa Mixer, Adult Learning Center

at Casper College programs coordinator.

Casper College President, Walter Nolte, Ph.D. accepted the award on behalf of Casper College. "This is a great honor for Casper College. The Literacy Volunteers of Casper provide a much-needed service to the Casper community, and the college is happy to be a part of that service," Nolte said.

"The Casper College administration recognized the growing need for more space and more staff to handle the growing numbers of students served in the Adult Learning Center program, as well as the demands of more federal requirements. In short, Casper College stepped up to the plate in support of the program," Mixer said.



Casper College Ranked #5 "Most Beautiful"

A recent ranking of the "10 Most Beautiful Colleges in America" by the website Best Colleges Online, awarded the fifth place spot to Casper College stating: "Casper College packs a double whammy for students looking for a scenic community

college. The campuses' buildings are artfully arranged over a sloping hill and all feature bright red rock exteriors that help to unify the buildings and enhances the beauty of the campus. The view from the campus is extraordinary as well, with both wide open

skies and a view into the nearby mountain range – and Casper Mountain itself." We couldn't agree more! To see the entire list check out: <http://www.bestcollegesonline.com/blog/2010/11/18/10-most-beautiful-community-colleges-in-america/>

ECLC New Home Dedicated



The Casper College Inga Thorson Early Childhood Learning Center held a dedication ceremony for its new home in January 2012.

The center, which was previously housed in McIntire Hall, had been operating for a year and a half at the First Presbyterian Church. "We are thrilled to have this brand new home on the Casper College campus," said Donna Sonesen, director.

The new ECLC facility provides laboratory experiences for early childhood education students and a learning environment for 52 children. The building is part of the five-building Casper College Campus Master Plan and one of three completed buildings in the plan.

The ECLC is a nationally accredited program, which provides a safe and nurturing environment while promoting the education and development of young children, birth through age six.

Two More Buildings in Construction Phase at CC

Construction is now underway on the final two buildings in the College's 25-year master plan. The plan, which includes five new buildings and a new campus plaza, will be completed in 2015.

Two groundbreaking ceremonies were held on March 19: The first at the site of the new 32,000 square foot Music Building, and the second for the 92,000 square foot Student Union and University of Wyoming/Casper College Center.

The new Music Building will house music curricula, a primary music performance hall, and additional visual arts gallery space. The building is expected to be completed in time for the 2013 fall semester.

The UU Building, as it is currently referred to, will include offices, classrooms, and student services for the UW/CC Center. The other half of the building will house Casper College student activities offices, student wellness center, meeting rooms, recreational facilities, and food services. In conjunction with the recently completed Gateway Building, the UU Building will serve as a primary connection between upper and lower campus. It is slated for completion in spring 2014.



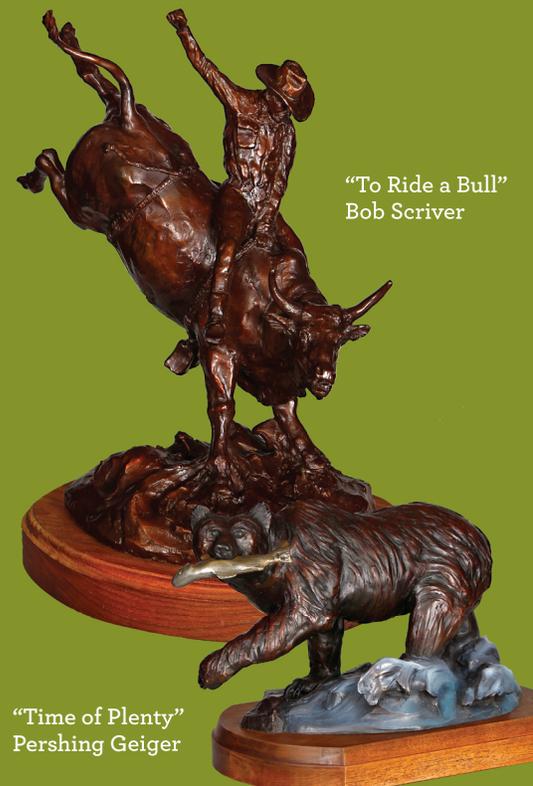
Bronze Donation Brings Art to Lobby

Twenty-seven bronzes by several prominent western sculptors have been placed on permanent display in the south lobby of the Gertrude Krampert Theatre Complex on the Casper College campus.

The bronzes, donated from the collection of Barbara Scifers and her late husband Leland, consist of works by Pershing Geiger, Ronald Van Ruyckvelt, Robert "Bob" Macfie Scriver, Rattley, Chapel, Hugh Glass, Lanford Munroe, Terry J. Murphy, and R. Rousu.

"These bronze images of Native Americans, sheriffs and cowboys, as well as the animals to be found throughout Wyoming, remind us of our Western heritage. The flora and fauna of the landscape can be appreciated through these works, which were researched and prepared for display by participants in the Casper College Museum Studies course," said Valerie Innella, art history instructor.

"This is a beautiful collection, and we are happy that Mrs. Scifers decided to donate these bronzes to the college. Students and the public alike will be able to see the work of some of the best sculptors in the United States," noted Paulann Doane, executive director of the Casper College Foundation.



"To Ride a Bull"
Bob Scriver

"Time of Plenty"
Pershing Geiger

If it hadn't been for some less than stellar grades at Colorado State University Henry Alfonso (Hank)

True III wouldn't have graduated from Casper College in 1963.

Hank had graduated from Natrona County High School in May of 1960 with the dream of becoming a veterinarian. Hank's love for animals and ranching began while in junior high. "Mom and dad wanted my sister, two brothers, and me to spend summers somewhere else besides in town." His parents found a small, isolated ranch, the Double Four, outside of Wheatland. Those summer experiences forged a love of ranching and animals.

In the fall of 1960, he headed down to Fort Collins to begin his studies in preparation for acceptance into vet school. But, that was not to be. "I came back at the end of my freshman year at CSU with grades that weren't where I wanted or needed them to be. So, with the hope of finding where I wanted to be and what I wanted to do, I enrolled at Casper College in the fall of 1961."



Hank poses outside True Companies headquarters with a huge chunk of serpentine found on the VR Ranch.

HANK TRUE:

Oilman and Rancher Selected as 2012 Distinguished Alumnus

by Lisa S. Pearce Icenogle ('79)



Casper College Days

Hank says that Casper College presented him with a great opportunity to get his grades back up. "I still hoped that I would be able to get into vet school. But reality set in, and I realized that I wasn't going to make it." That was a sad realization for the young Hank, but it put him on a completely different pathway and eventually led him to work full time for the companies his father, H. A. (Dave) True, Jr. began in 1948.

When he arrived for his first class at Casper College, Hank quickly realized that the instructors at the school cared about students on an individual basis. "I had some great instructors during my time at the college. I remember Mrs. Demorest, who taught English. I had a couple of classes with her, and she had to have a lot of patience with me." Then there was Mr. Blakeley and Swede Erickson, "who both commanded respect and got it back," and Mrs. Sedar in math. "What a great gal Mrs. Sedar was." Hank had a lot of fun with math and recalls that "she was a task master and demanded a lot of work, but I enjoyed it. She was very open."

Like many students who attended Casper College during Tilghman Aley's tenure as president of the school, Hank received some of Aley's guidance. "He sat me down and gave me direction. He was very good at that, and I was not the only one he provided direction for. He ran a great organization."

Casper College wasn't all classroom work,

however. Hank was a member of the wrestling team. "The team and coaches were trying to get the sport reinstated at Casper College. And then there was rodeo: "I was a bareback rider at the time, and the team was coached by Dale Stiles. I loved the rodeo because it brought me back to my true love of ranching and working with the animals."

At the end of two years, Hank graduated from Casper College with his associate degree in general studies. From there he enrolled at the University of Wyoming where he earned his bachelor's degree in mathematics education in 1966, followed in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in animal science. "I was then (imminently) qualified to count cows," he says with a laugh.

Life After School

Marriage followed in 1968 to his wife Karen, who he met while attending UW. It was during the summer of 1969 that Hank realized his true calling in life: working in the family business full time. "I had been working on my master's degree and in the summer of 1969 I got a job flying pipeline patrol for one of the True companies, Belle Fourche Pipeline Company. My job was to look for things that shouldn't be happening with the miles of pipeline owned by the company. That led to a job as oil scout, and I was just havin' a ball," he remembers.

When the time came for Hank to head back to Laramie to continue working on his master's, he decided to stay in Casper. "I just woke up

one day and I was hooked. The oil business was in my blood! I have never looked back on my decision to work for the company." Until recently, oil scouts played an important role in helping companies to find oil. "Back then we didn't have the information technology we do today, so the oil scout was important. I knew where just about everything was happening, and that was very helpful to the business."

Partnership

In 1973, Hank became a partner in his father and mother's True companies. He was active in the management of a variety of operations, and in 1994 he and his two brothers, David L. and Diemer, took over the companies at the passing of their father. Thanks to all of the training the three had received over the years working at the various companies, "we were pretty much able to step in and take over."

Today, Hank and younger brother David run the various company businesses, the bulk of which are concentrated in the Northern Rockies and include everything from drilling companies to ranches, and even a bank. "I love them all. I love the detail of oil, the bank has been a rewarding experience, and working on our ranches is where I got my love of agriculture. Today, I spend the bulk of my time in the pipeline and crude oil end of the business."

Encouraging Education

Education has always been important to Hank. "I have a strong commitment to education and have always felt that if you provided an

Hank on his cutting horse All About Jerry, at the VR Ranch.



education to someone you had given them all the tools that they needed to go forth and become active participants in society.”

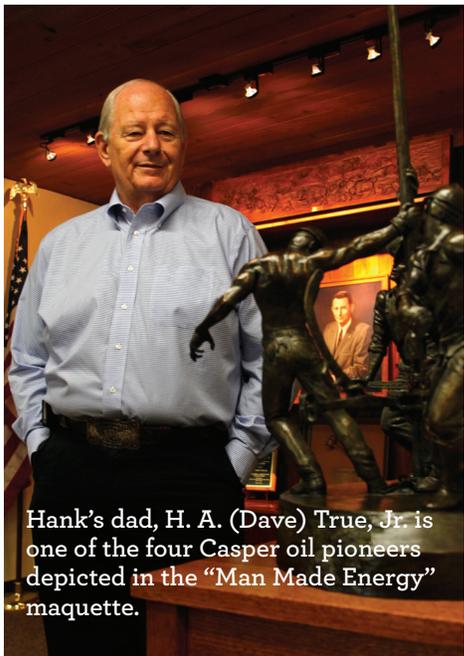
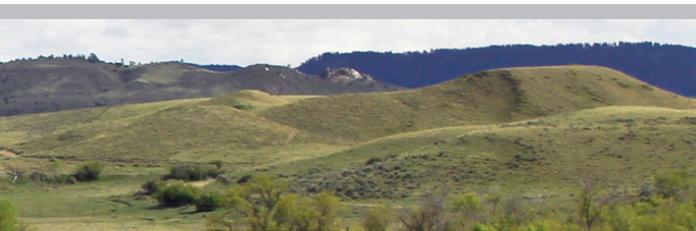
With that in mind, the True Companies provide 11 scholarships each year to the children of company employees. The True Companies Children of Employee Scholarship winners are selected on the basis of scholastic attainment, intelligence, merit, need, and their potential for success in and after college, according to Hank. Students may use the scholarship at any accredited four-year college or university or at any accredited two-year college. In addition, the True Companies provide direct scholarship grants in the amount of \$2500 each year to both Casper College and the University of Wyoming.

Recognition

Over the years Hank has been recognized by a number of groups and institutions for his work both within and outside the oil industry. He has been honored with the Rocky Mountain Hall of Fame award by the Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States, now Western Energy Alliance. He was awarded the Trustees Award of Merit by the Board of Trustees of the University of Wyoming, and 2009 Distinguished Alumnus for the University of Wyoming's College of Education. Hank proudly displays these recognitions in his True companies office. “I am very pleased and honored to have received these awards.”

Hank's latest recognition, of course, is that of Casper College's 2012 Distinguished Alumnus award. In 1995, Hank was also recognized by the school as one of its Top 50 Exemplary Alumnus during the 50th Anniversary. “I was honored with that award and am now highly honored and humbled to be named as the 2012 distinguished alumnus.”

Hank will be officially recognized during the Annual Casper College Alumni Association Banquet on Saturday night, September 22, 2012.



Hank's dad, H. A. (Dave) True, Jr. is one of the four Casper oil pioneers depicted in the “Man Made Energy” maquette.



Hank at the VR Ranch.

Name: Henry Alfonso (Hank) True III

Born: October 4, 1942, Hayden, Colo.

Father: H. A. (Dave) True, Jr.

Mother: Jean Durland

Wife: Karen

Children: Thea Jean True Wells, Henry A. (Tad) True, Barbara Boles True, and six grandchildren

Occupation: Financial executive, oil company executive, and rancher

Education: A.S. with a science emphasis, Casper College, 1963 • B.A. math education, 1966, University of Wyoming • B.S. animal science, 1967, University of Wyoming

Employment: True Companies, partner/officer in the various companies, 1969 to present • Hilltop National Bank, director • White Stallion Ranch, Tucson, Ariz., director

Professional activities/memberships: American Petroleum Institute, director since 1987 • Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Denver Branch director, 1987-92 • Independent Petroleum Association of America director and vice president, 1979-80 • Independent Petroleum Association of Mountain States director, 1979-83 • Rocky Mountain Hall of Fame member (inducted, 2009) • Kinder Morgan, Inc., Houston, Texas director, 1999 to 2007 • KN Energy, Inc., Denver, Colo., director, 1991-99 • Montana-Wyoming Liquefied Petroleum Gas Association president, 1975-76 • National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum director since 2002 • National Petroleum Council member since 1994 • National Western Stock Show director since 2007 • North American Prospect Expo member of advisory board since 1996 • current Petroleum Association of Wyoming Executive Committee member and president, 1983-84 • Rocky Mountain Oil & Gas Association director and member of executive committee until dissolution in 1999 and president, 1987-89 • United States Business & Industrial Council director since 1981 • Wyoming Business Alliance director since 1992; secretary/treasurer, 1998-2000; vice chairman, 2000-2002; chairman, 2002-2004 • Wyoming Oil & Gas Centennial Commission director • State of Wyoming Enhanced and Improved Oil Recovery Commission member, 2004 to January, 2007.

Civic activities/memberships/recognitions: Member of the Casper College Rodeo Advisory Committee, 1991-92 • Selected as one of 50 exemplary alumni for Casper College's 50th Anniversary Celebration, 1995 • College National Finals Rodeo Casper chairman, 2004 to the present • Ducks Unlimited National trustee and past state chairman • “Put Casper on Ice” committee member, 1984-85 • Sigma Nu Fraternity member • Twenty-Five Year Club of the Petroleum Industry member from 1993 until organization dissolved in 2010 and on board of governors from 1997-2001 • United Way of Natrona County director, 1977-79 and president, 1979 • University of Wyoming Board of Trustees March, 1995, through January, 2007 – treasurer 1997-1999, president 1999-2000, executive committee 1997-2005 • University of Wyoming member of the Enhanced Oil Recovery Institute's Technical Advisory Board, 2007 to present • University of Wyoming Distinguished Alumnus, College of Education 2009.

Music is the Medicine of the Mind

CC Alum Transitions from Professional Musician to Hospital CEO

When Civil War Union Army General John A. Logan declared “Music is the Medicine of the Mind” nearly 200 years ago, it’s highly unlikely he intended these words to apply to a professional guitarist’s ascension to a position as a chief executive officer for a major regional hospital. However, one thinks those words may help explain the unusual career path of Stan Moser ('73).

Stan assumed his current post at Deaconess Hospital in Bozeman, Mont. on January 1 as part of his long career in health care administration, and following a much shorter career in music.

The energy boom of the 1950s led Stan’s father Dan, an engineer for Texaco, to move the family from Stan’s native Long Beach, Calif. to Casper. Dan enjoyed playing the clarinet, and Stan’s mother Barbara enjoyed singing, so they both were supportive when young Stan began playing a guitar he borrowed from a neighbor. Eventually, Stan asked for and received his own guitar for Christmas.

Stan says that even as he became more skilled on the guitar, “I never considered music as a career.” As he approached his graduation from Natrona County High School, he says, he “applied to a lot of universities, the Stanfords and those kinds of places.” Stan’s diligence paid off, as he was offered a half-time scholarship to attend the University of Denver.

He began at DU during the summer semester, but just didn’t feel like he fit in. Being from the middle class, he felt like an outsider amongst his well-heeled classmates. It was then he began considering Casper College, an option much closer to home. “Casper offered me a full ride scholarship and some money for books,”

Stan says. “I remember I was so excited that I had enough left over to pay for license plates.”

That fall he began classes at Casper College. “I was a whole lot more comfortable with the people at Casper College,” he says. “I had been editor of the high school paper and was interested in journalism. The college had a great English department. I was thinking that maybe I’d minor in guitar.”

As he adjusted to Casper College, he and some fellow students formed a band that included Roland Juarez ('74), Jay Lugenbill ('73), Stan Icenogle ('71), and Steve Wolf ('74). Stan also played occasionally with others, including current Casper Journal editor Dale Bohren ('75), who Stan describes as a “monster acoustic bass player.” Dale recalls, “Stan was always the brain. Not surprised he’s in charge....”

Stan still has great memories of the people who influenced him the most at Casper College, but specifically recalls two of his instructors with the same last name, although they were not related.

“(English instructor) Carolyn Logan was a great teacher and mentor. Funny how certain people just take the time and make an impression on you that lasts your whole life. She was always there for me, just a great person.”

The other influential Logan, Jackie, was his Spanish teacher. She encouraged him to look at the music conservatories in Spain, where he could combine his new Spanish-language skills with his love of playing the guitar. “I thought she was crazy,” recalls Stan, who didn’t think

his language or his musical skills would be sufficient for acceptance. However, to his surprise, he was accepted to study at the Conservatorio Superior de

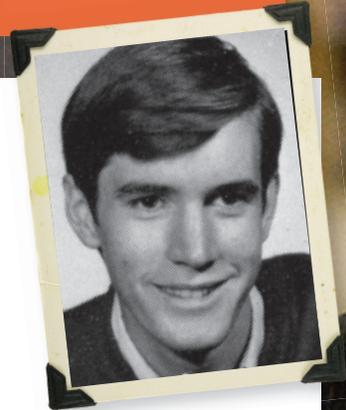
Musica in Cordoba, which he describes as in the “middle level of conservatories in Spain.”

From 1974 to 1978 he worked at both his guitar skills and his Spanish-language fluency, although he doesn’t feel he ever achieved the latter. “I’m ‘fluid’ in Spanish more than ‘fluent,’” he says, although even that level of knowledge has been helpful during his career, particularly in California.

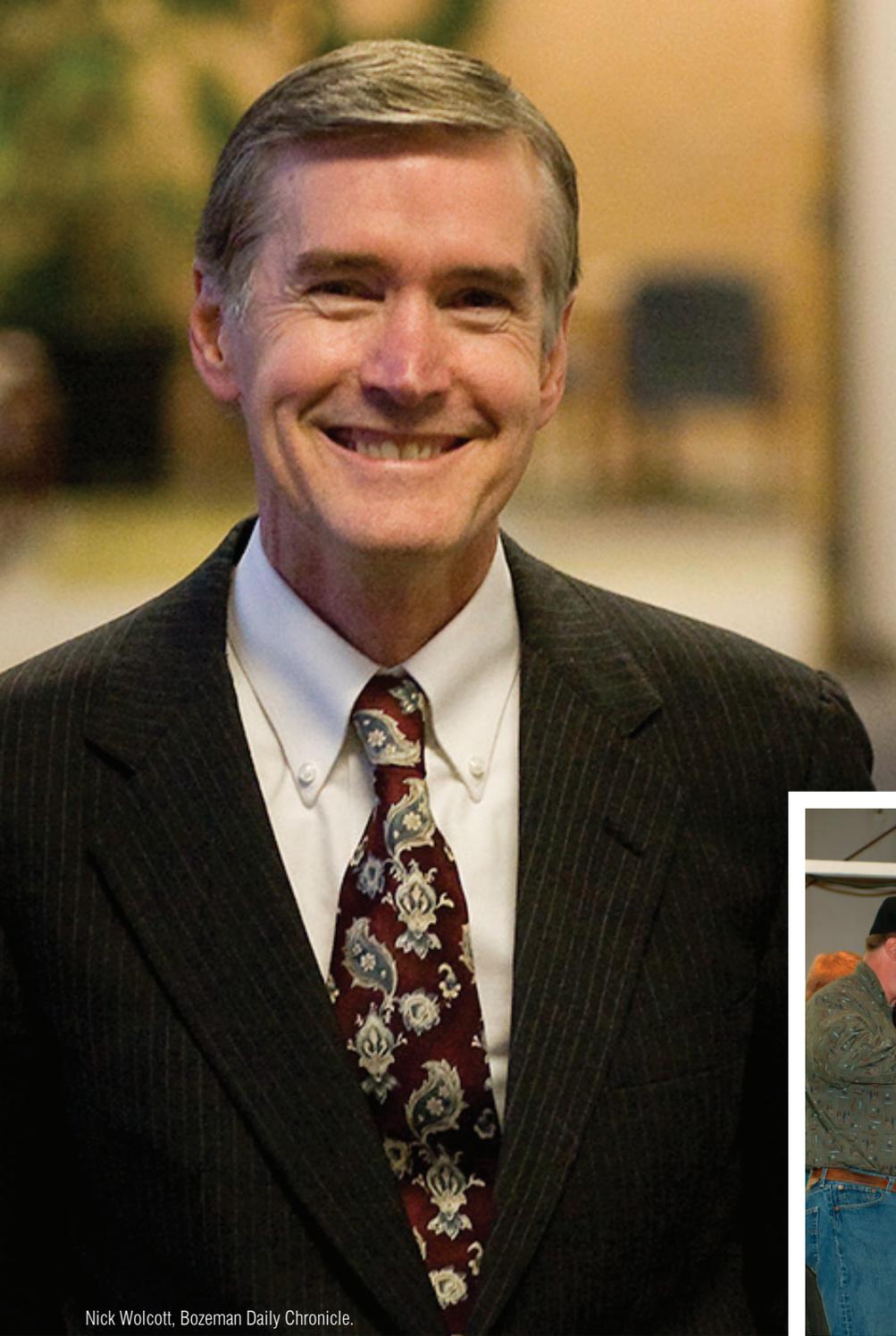
After his graduation, he returned to the U.S. looking for work in the music field. “There just wasn’t an opening anywhere,” he says. “There were lots when I left (for Spain), but when I returned there was just nothing.”

Faced with a choice between a part-time guitar teacher position at a new private music studio in Denver and a full-time position teaching guitar and banjo at a music studio in Salt Lake City, he chose the latter.

After a year teaching in Salt Lake, he applied for and landed an adjunct teaching position at Idaho State University. He found sporadic performance opportunities around Pocatello, but he also started questioning his career choice. He began to realize he wasn’t cut out for a career in music.



“I was a whole lot more comfortable with the people at Casper College”



Nick Wolcott, Bozeman Daily Chronicle.



Courtesy Bozeman Deaconess.



Stan Moser plays banjo with the Elk River Ramblers with bandmates Annie Moser on guitar, Ed Pierson on Fiddle, and Doug Haberman (obscured) on bass.

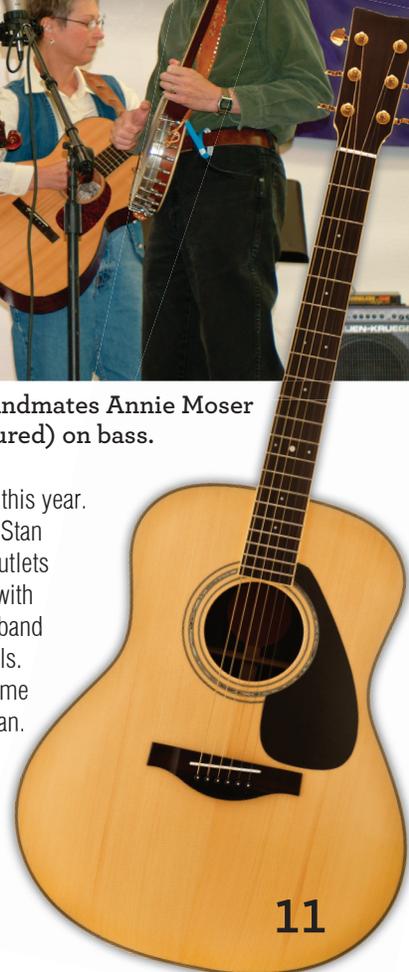
With a business school close at hand, Moser decided to pursue an MBA. As part of his MBA studies, he did some work for a small Idaho hospital, and began to realize that he might have a future in health care administration.

Following completion of his MBA with a finance emphasis, he worked for a short time for a financial services firm and a yogurt company in the San Francisco Bay area until becoming director of finance for a small hospital in Gilroy, Calif. After accepting progressively more responsibilities at several other California hospitals, he accepted chief financial officer positions for the massive Providence Health System in northwest Washington state, Deaconess Billings Clinic in Montana, and Mount Kisco Medical Group in New York state. In 2010, he returned to the Rocky Mountain region via Bozeman Deaconess, where he

served as CFO until his appointment as CEO earlier this year.

Despite leaving behind his career as a musician, Stan never lost his love of music. He has always found outlets to play guitar and banjo. He was particularly active with the Elk River Ramblers, a Billings-based bluegrass band that also included his wife Annie on guitar and vocals. More recently Stan has been playing "a bit" with some nationally renowned bluegrass musicians in Bozeman.

He also never misses an opportunity to share his recommendations of Casper College. "I have never, ever spoken a negative word about Casper College. I always recommend Casper College," he says. "It was a great experience."



Richard Bunning ('65) received a bachelor's from the University of Wyoming. After serving in the U.S. Army, he returned to Laramie, Wyo. earning a master's and then a Ph.D. from Arizona State University, Phoenix, Ariz. He spent his career in manufacturing and in 1991 his employer transferred him to the U.K. for a two-year assignment, which then turned into a long-term posting. He has since made his home in Europe, recently moving from Normandy, France to the Bailiwick of Guernsey, in the Channel Islands.



I live on the island of Guernsey, not far from the coast of France. But I haven't always lived here. I spent my first 25 years in Wyoming. My grandparents homesteaded near Buffalo in 1913 and my early years were on that ranch. Then my parents moved to the grand city of Kaycee, population 211 and 72 miles from Casper.

My homesteading grandparents were educational exceptions for those times. Grandpa had two years of university, becoming a land surveyor, staking out the claims of other homesteaders. Grandma had one year of college, plenty enough to be a schoolteacher. But their educations left them with something much longer lasting: the determination that all four of their homestead born children would likewise get a college education. Though it was the depression, all four somehow attended university at Laramie. This legacy was then handed down through my mother to us children: we never heard "if you go to college," it was always "when you go to college."



Bunning and his partner, Jean, celebrate his birthday at a resort owned by Richard Branson.

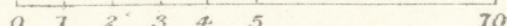


Bunning leaving a market in France with a bag of onions.

Looking Back

GENERAL MAP
OF
CHANNEL ISLANDS.

English Miles



Casper College: Launch Pad into a Life of Learning

by Dick Bunning ('65)

L'Ancrese Bay, Herm Island, Gurnsey.

So although much of my life has been serendipitous, a college education was programmed. And Casper College was the obvious choice. It was the closest college, less expensive than attending Laramie, and my married sister lived in Casper. Closest, cheapest, and a relative for room and board. Done decision.

I still recall the first days of junior college. (No! It couldn't possibly have been 49 years ago!) Perhaps those of us from very small high schools (Kaycee had 45 students) found it particularly traumatic. There were a thousand students at Casper College and I hardly knew anyone. Class sizes were much larger. No one took note of whether we even attended class. No parents supervised homework completion. And no one (other than my hapless sister) monitored when or if I got home at night.

Certainly my freshman year was spent exploring the new found freedom: admiring the many pretty co-eds, hanging around with the rodeo crowd, and trying to locate weekend keggers. The results in leaping from strict parenting to near absolute freedom were predictable: poor grades, a wrecked car, and plenty of beer.

In retrospect, and in spite of my errant ways, that first foray into higher education could hardly have been better. For Casper College offered a high standard of teaching which had a long lasting effect in spite of my neglected studies. My most profound memory of Casper College, and the single experience for which I am most grateful, was the absolute explosion of completely new ideas. Although there were many dedicated staff members, I particularly remember my best teacher ever, Mrs. Demorest. Through her humanities course, I was exposed to great literature, philosophy, art, classical music, architecture, and more. Impressionism became my favorite art form, Arthur Miller my favorite playwright. I considered myself an existentialist. I would listen intently to Beethoven and Mozart, in spite of little musical background beyond country music. I published a tragic short story (about rodeo, of course) in the college literary magazine. Greek history, architecture, literature, and mythology came alive and fascinated me. Before I couldn't even spell pseudo intellectual. Suddenly, age 19, I was one!

Luckily the college also offered help for my poor study habits. I found a tutor. Vocational

testing and counselling helped me make wise course and career selections. Most importantly, the quality of teaching left me with an enduring interest in learning, and just for the sake of learning.

I had other grandparents who had learned German as a first language and spoke proudly of their heritage. So when my Army draftee posting was to Germany, I immediately embraced the culture of Europe. I saved my money and travelled: Holland, France, Austria, Italy, Greece, and even (the then) communist Yugoslavia. Europe was (and still is) awe-inspiring. And it was largely seen and very much appreciated through the prism of my cultural education, begun at Casper College. Little did I ever dream that I might visit Europe again, let alone end up living here.

Regardless of my later life experiences and education (which to my family's amazement led to a Ph.D.), I am still proud to feel myself a Wyoming boy at heart. For I tend to see the world today through the set of values, which have shaped those of us who have grown up there. And I realize the great good fortune I had to begin my journey into lifelong learning at Casper College, a journey that continues to this day.

Photos by Dick Bunning.



Casper College Visits Crete



In the Land of Olive Trees

by Amber Travsky ('76)

We had the rhythm. Raising our arms about shoulder height, snapping our fingers and moving our feet under the table, Sandy Snell, Helen Johnson and I were almost ready to go. “Let’s wait for a song with a faster beat,” I suggested. “Then we’ll get up and dance.” The two Casper residents nodded in agreement.

We were three of 26 Wyomingites at the Nicolli Restaurant in the town of Timbaki near the southern coast of the Greek island of Crete. This was day nine of our 14-day January, 2012 adventure exploring Crete to learn about olives and olive oil. The special Casper College course also featured visits to ancient ruins, a monastery, museums, beach communities, and a few days in Athens on the mainland.

Our host for the trip was Casper resident George Vlastos. The Vlastos family has been growing olives and making olive oil in the Amari Valley of Crete since the 1400s. While a native of Thermopolis, Wyo. and long-time resident of Casper, George first visited the family farm

about 37 years ago after his father passed away. That visit inspired the creation of the Vlastos Farma that produces olive oil that is sold at a number of farmer’s markets in Wyoming as well as at The Market and More and Grant Street Grocery, both located in Casper.

Our adventure – Vlastos was reluctant to call it a tour since daily activities were somewhat at the whim of Mother Nature – began along Crete’s northern coast. After visiting the cities of Iraklion, Rethymnon, and Chania, we left the busy hubbub of city life. We traveled to central Crete via a twisting road over a narrow mountain pass before dropping into the lush Amari Valley.

In Crete the rainy season occurs in December and January. This is also olive harvesting season. It is the best time of year to learn, first hand, what it takes to make olive oil.

On our first full day in the Amari Valley Mother Nature cooperated as George welcomed us to his home in Vizari. From there we wandered the small village and ventured into the Enchanted Forest. That’s the name George gave to a grove of ancient olive trees that have been undisturbed for hundreds of years.

Wandering through the magnificent gnarled woodland was like being in the shire, the land of the hobbits. At least it was how I imagined the

make-believe land that J. R. R. Tolkien made come alive in his fantasy trilogy “Lord of the Rings.”

Ancient olive trees surrounded me. They’d been growing on these hillsides for up to a thousand years and ranged from about four to eight feet in diameter. Their wide boughs reminded me of magnolia trees in the south. Between the trees a green carpet covered the ground. Scattered bright yellow clover bloomed while wild artichokes were just getting started for the season along with dandelions and other “wild greens.” The locals often picked the later for a daily dish similar to steamed spinach.

Vlastos’ olive oil comes from these ancient trees. The plump olives, referred to as “fat olives,” drop from the trees when they’re black, ripe, and at the peak of their flavor. Nets are placed around the base of the tree and the process relies strictly on gravity. The olives are then gathered up, bagged, and hauled to the local mill to extract the oil.

In contrast, extra virgin olives come from younger “turbo trees.” These much smaller trees require irrigation and are planted in rows. While the fat olive trees seem a part of the landscape, the turbo trees look like any other agriculture field with manicured rows.



Extra virgin olives are harvested by knocking the green olives off the tree. The process is much faster and easier and seems in keeping with the modern food industry that prefers speed and efficiency.

George takes obvious pride in his more “medieval farm” methods where everything is done by hand and minus any herbicides or pesticides. He takes the olives to a local mill where they are processed the old-fashioned way by cold pressing the crushed olives. The oil is then shipped to Casper where it is hand-bottled.

Thanks to this approach to olive oil farming, the Amari Valley retains an atmosphere of stepping back in time. While “eating local” is trendy in the U.S. now, it is just the way things have always been in this part of Crete. Our evening meals at the local taverna, called the Tasty Turn because it’s located on a turn in the road, were very social affairs and featured foods grown in the valley. The owner was also the priest at a church in another village up the road and, since he was known to dance from time to time, was called the Dancing Priest.

Attempting to do things the Cretan Way, we adopted their eating pattern of gathering late, typically around 8 p.m., to start dinner. The entire meal could take a couple hours and always included dishes imbibed with olive oil. We started with appetizers of homemade bread, Greek salad with feta cheese, and a special yogurt-cucumber mixture called tzatziki. There was an abundance of local wine with all meals and the main course typically included lamb in some form or other. Dessert was often a plate of fresh oranges, picked from the tree that day.

On this special evening at the Nicoli Restaurant we were treated to live music. The three young men seated on the stage belted out traditional Greek melodies while playing, among them, the guitar, a lute, and a lyra. This was “get up and dance” music and Helen, Sandy

and I couldn’t just sit and listen any longer. Our knowledge of Greek dancing was what we’d observed with the Dancing Priest the prior evening but a lack of knowledge wasn’t about to stop us.

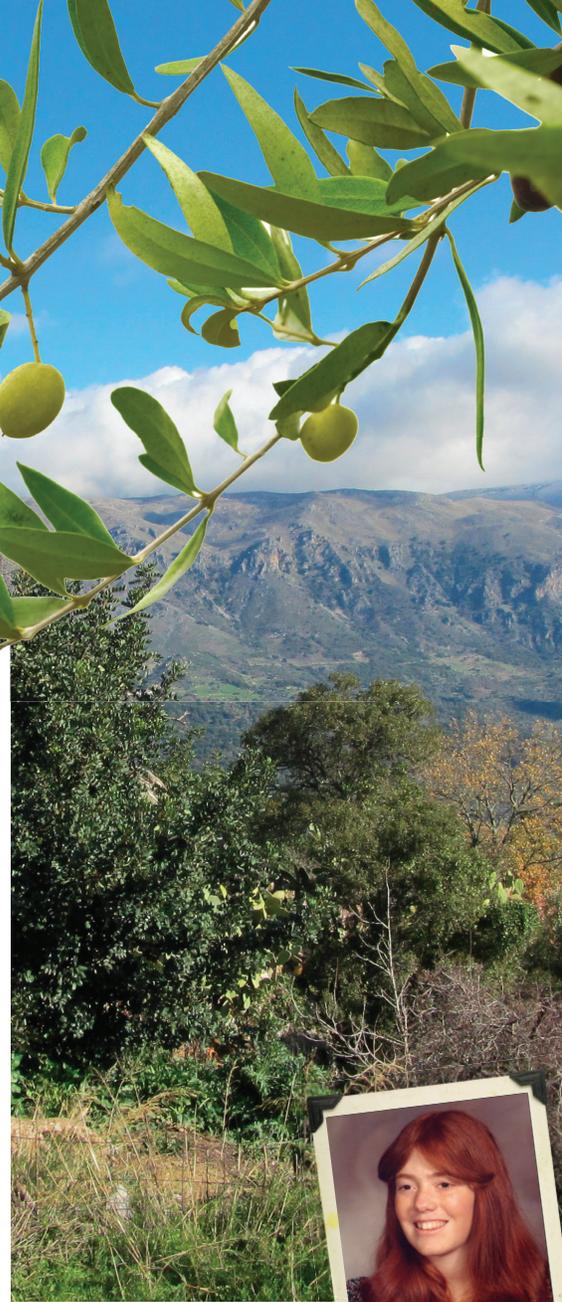
“Let’s go,” Sandy said at the start of the next song and the three of us stood up and went out on the dance floor. At least that’s what Sandy and Helen did. I, being a bit shy about my lack of Greek dancing ability, remained nearer the edge of the floor. Helen and Sandy were undaunted, though, and went out to the middle of the floor.

After a minute or two locals in the restaurant took pity on us and joined us on the floor. They gave us a quick dance lesson as more from our Casper crew also jumped out onto the floor to give it a try.

Arms intertwined and dancing in a line, our group and the friendly Greeks filled the dance floor. While it was just a very simple dance with a kick here and a step-step there, it was a hoot and I felt we were in a scene right out of the movie “My Big Fat Greek Wedding.”

Then the tempo picked up. I had the hang of it and managed to keep up as the beat quickly gathered even more speed. To my amazement, suddenly I realized I was the only one dancing while everyone else clapped and shouted encouragement in a circle around me. “Go Amber!” they shouted. I didn’t know if I was supposed to keep dancing since the Greeks had also stopped, but it was just so dang much fun to try to keep up with the music that I just hung in there until, blessedly, the band stopped.

Before getting on our bus to head back to the villa where we were staying, we finished the meal with shot glasses of raki, a local distillation that has up to 70 percent alcohol. We gave a hearty “Gia’sou!” and “Oompah!” and then loaded the bus to return to the Amari Valley – through the shire – to our villa.



Amber Travsky,
nee Amber Jo

Long, graduated from Casper College in 1976 and went on to earn master’s degrees in wildlife biology and exercise physiology. She runs her own environmental consulting company as well as a martial arts school while also teaching as an adjunct instructor for the University of Wyoming and Laramie County Community College. She and her husband, Rich, and Australian shepherd Muggle, reside in Laramie. Amber authored “Mountain Biking Wyoming” and “Mountain Biking Jackson Hole,” both published by Falcon Books. She also writes for the Outdoor section of the Laramie Boomerang and Wyoming Tribune-Eagle. She is tour director and founder of the Tour de Wyoming bicycle tour that crosses the state every July.

Five Questions

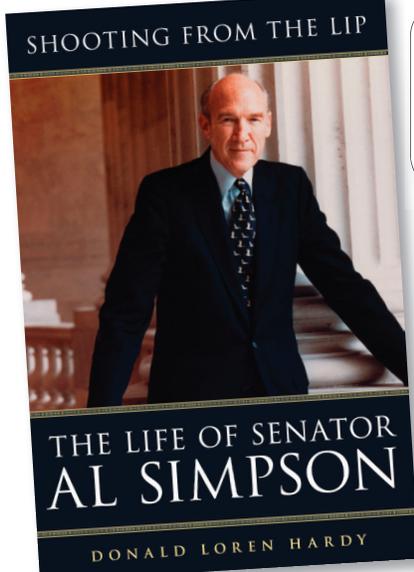
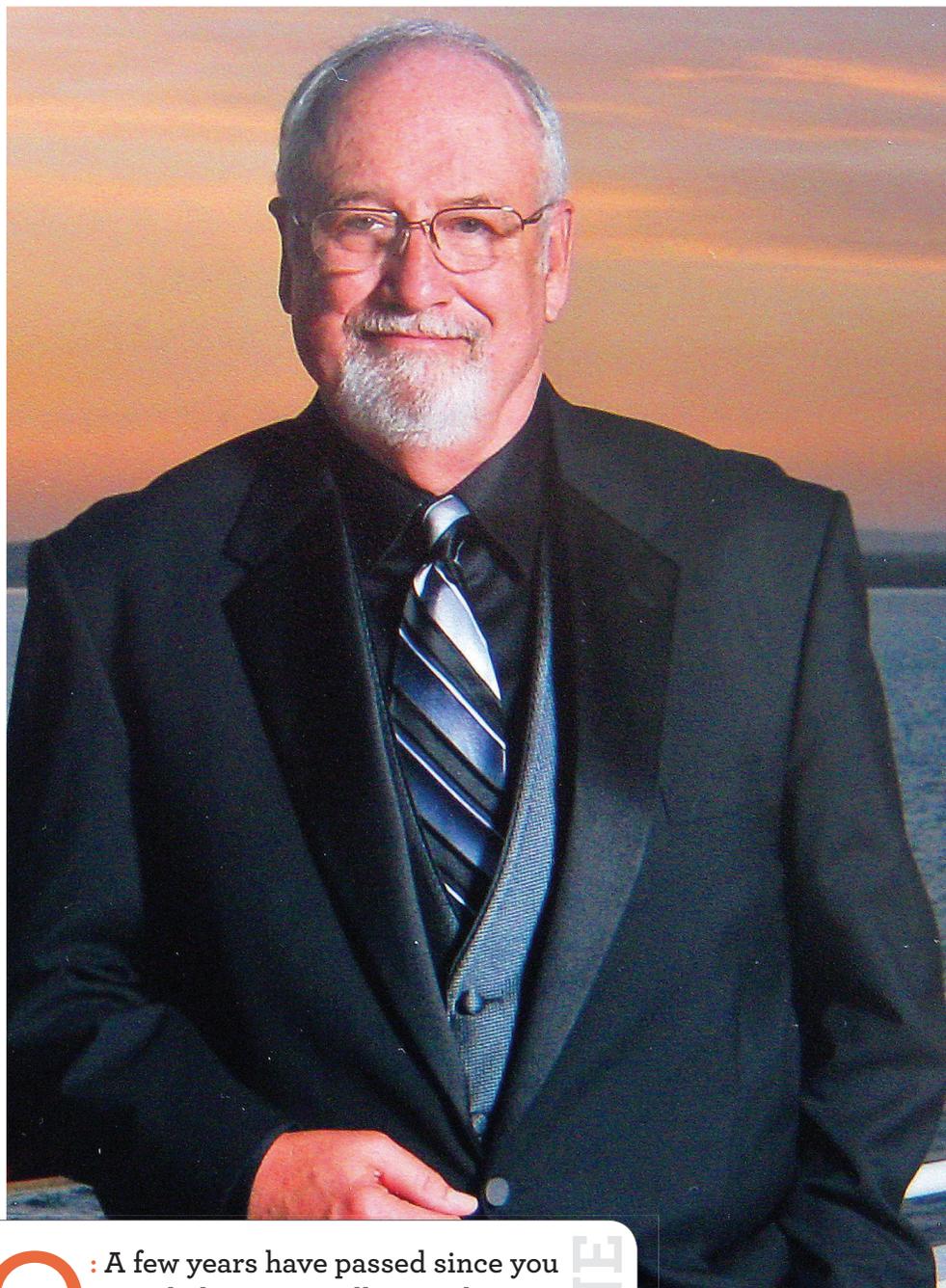
For Donald Loren Hardy ('70) Author of *Shooting From the Lip: The Life of Senator Al Simpson*

About Don

After his family moved from his Montana birthplace to Wyoming, Don Hardy, ('70), spent most of his teen years living a block away in Cody from the Simpson family, which included Al, who would later become one of the most influential U.S. senators in history. Then, after graduating from Cody High School and serving in the U.S. Navy, Don returned to Wyoming where he attended Casper College on a music scholarship.

An inquisitive mind led to a budding career as a radio and television reporter, and Don became news director for a television station in Montana. After Al Simpson was elected to the U.S. Senate, Don accepted Simpson's offer to join him in Washington as press secretary. He rose to become chief of staff, managing the senator's official and political activities and staff in both the capital and Wyoming. Upon Simpson's retirement in 1996 from the Senate, the Smithsonian Institution selected Don as director of government relations and senior policy advisor.

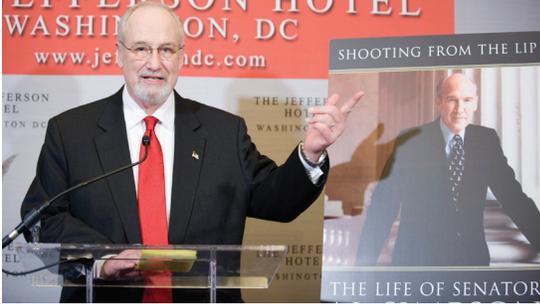
In late 1999, Don retired from the Smithsonian to travel the world full time. Soon, he and his wife Rebecca became engaged in humanitarian efforts. The two were in the Caribbean aboard their sailboat-home, S/V Pioneer, when Simpson contacted them in 2005 about writing his biography. Since the book was released in September, 2011, it has garnered acclaim from throughout the country. In June the book was awarded a silver medal in the Independent Book Publisher Awards, known as the IPPYs, out of more than 5,000 books submitted for the awards. The book is also a finalist for the national ForeWord Reviews award and has been nominated for best biography by the Wyoming Historical Society. New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg recently threw a book party, which drew notable figures such as Barbara Walters, former New York Mayor Ed Koch, pundit Michael Kinsley and former Federal Reserve chairman Paul Volcker.



Q: A few years have passed since you attended Casper College. What are your best memories.

ONE

A: As a student with little money, I was on the most effective weight loss program ever: starvation. I once survived two weeks on oatmeal and a summer sausage. That didn't keep me from having fun on campus – occasionally too much fun. That's how I was brought in to meet Tim Aley, college president. I found him brilliant, compassionate, inspirational – and forgiving. Years later I hired his daughter Jennifer to work in the U.S. Senate.

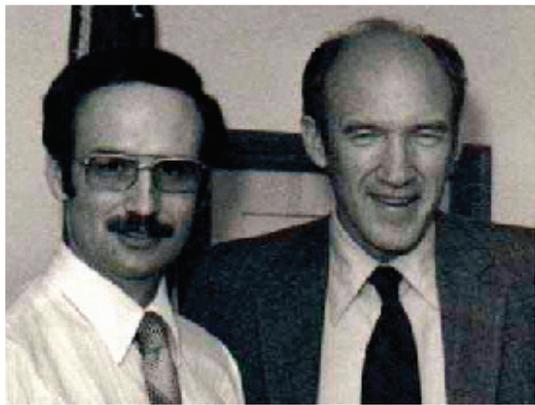


Hardy introduces the Simpson biography in 2011 in Washington, D.C.

Q: Did not having a four-year degree ever hinder you professionally?

TWO

A: As Edmond Burke said, “persistence and determination alone are omnipotent.” My Casper College music professors pressed students to achieve their full potential. While I wasn’t sufficiently talented to become a professional musician, my experience taught me the value of trying. I applied that attitude to daily life and without a four-year degree became a television news director, a chief of staff in the United States Senate, and a director (of government relations) and senior policy advisor at the Smithsonian Institution, none of which I formally sought. In the Senate, I hired people with doctoral degrees, but not to the exclusion of applicants whose basic education was accompanied by common sense and a great work ethic.



Hardy and Simpson in 1979 shortly after Hardy reported to Washington to work for Simpson.

Q: What sets apart a good biographer from ordinary writers?

FOUR

A: I don’t know how to define “ordinary,” but I do believe the potential for a good biography hinges on strict adherence to the truth by both author and subject. When Al Simpson asked if I would like to come out of retirement to write the story of his life, I warned that for the sake of credibility I couldn’t gloss over his failings. He was quick to agree. Because I knew him intimately and had exclusive access to his 6,000 page diary, I found it possible to depict not only how the world saw him throughout his long career, but how he saw the world. Readers tell me they value that perspective.

Q: What elements of your music education ended up helping you in various facets of your life?

THREE

A: In Casper, I found that my trumpeting skills would never produce a survivable income. At \$100 per week, my first job in broadcasting was little better, but it eventually led to interviewing Al Simpson, and he led me to the Senate.

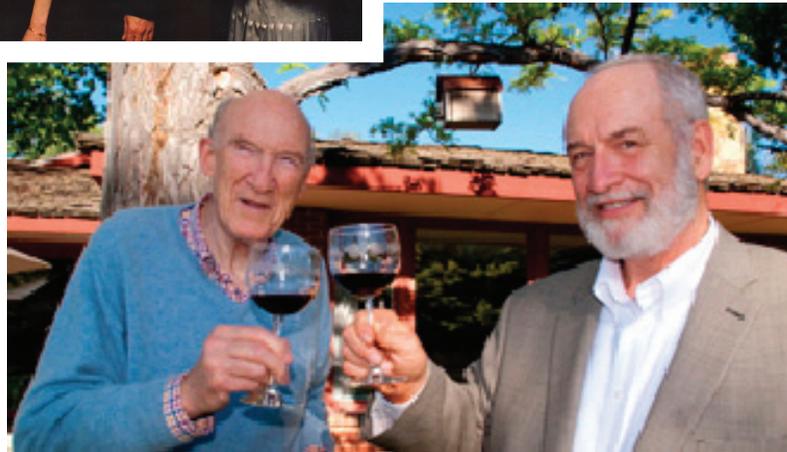
Q: Are you still a musician?

FIVE

President George H. Bush at Al Simpson’s 1996 Senate retirement party with Rebecca and Don Hardy and Sen. Al and Ann Simpson.



Simpson and Hardy toast the signing of the book deal with the University of Oklahoma Press.



A: Thanks to the inspiration of music instructors at Casper College – especially Ed Marty, who became a valued friend – I still play that same trumpet. While preparing for a gig with our Red Lodge band at the National Folk Festival, I came across two mutes that somehow followed me out of Casper. I’ll mail them back to you with thanks for the 43-year loan.



Photos courtesy of Don Hardy.

Notes from T-Bird Camp

T-Birds Sign with Four-Year Programs

Casper College's success on the floor has translated into big opportunities for sophomore players. Six different Thunderbirds recently signed letters of intent to play for four-year schools.

On the volleyball front, **Savannah Donarski** (Powell, Wyo.) and **Susanna Cricchi** (Rieti, Italy) will take their skills to Division I and the Big Apple. Donarski plans to

complete her engineering degree at the New York Institute of Technology, while Cricchi will play for CW Post Long Island University. **Jessica Reble** (Gillette, Wyo.), the T-Birds' outstanding libero, signed to play for Black Hills University in Spearfish, S.D.

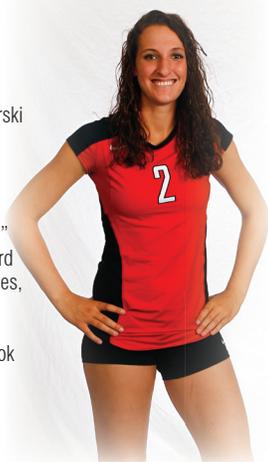
On the women's basketball front, two of Dwight Gunnare's T-Birds will be playing Division I basketball next season. **KeArrow Jenkins** (Stockton, Ga.), who started at the post position this season for the T-Birds, signed with South Carolina Upstate in

Spartanburg. **Rosalie Cutri** (Waterloo Corner, South Australia) signed her letter to play at Boise State University. Cutri is Casper's all-time steals and assist leader along with being a two-time All-Region IX performer.

Deninson Burguillos (Valencia, Venezuela), who played a key role in the T-Birds' run to the men's Region IX championship game this past season, will be playing Division I basketball at Georgia State University in Atlanta. The Panthers play in the Colonial Athletic Association.

Savannah Donarski

Hometown: Powell, Wyo.
High School: Powell HS
Parents: Tom and Deb Donarski
Major: Engineering
Hobbies: Clogging, drawing, movies
Nickname: Savo
Favorite Movie: "8 Seconds"
Favorite Phrase: "A shepherd must tend its flock and, at times, fight off the wolves." - "The Patriot"
Favorite Book: Any math book
Favorite Food: Spaghetti
Dream Job: No job



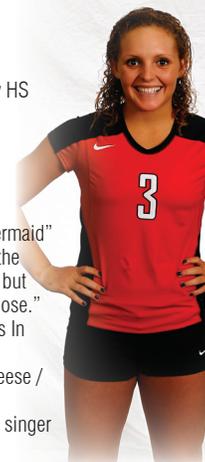
Susanna Cricchi

Hometown: Borgovelino (Rieti), Italy
High School: Giosue Carducci
Parents: Sandro Cricchi and Silvia Tedeschini
Major: Biology
Hobbies: Reading, listening to music, running, spending time with my family and friends
Nickname: Susy
Favorite Movie: "A Walk To Remember"
Favorite Phrase: Volerge E Potere
Favorite Book: "Uno, Nessuno, Centomila"
Favorite Food: Pizza
Dream Job: Biologist or nutritionist



Jessica Reble

Hometown: Gillette, Wyo.
High School: Campbell County HS
Parents: Anita and Russ Reble
Major: Music Education
Hobbies: Singing, playing volleyball, hanging with friends
Nickname: Jess, Jessie
Favorite Movie: "The Little Mermaid"
Favorite Phrase: "Courage is the discovery that you may not win, but trying when you know you may lose."
Favorite Book: "Two Little Girls In Blue" by Mary Higgins Clark
Favorite Food: Macaroni & cheese / anything chocolate
Dream Job: Famous actress or singer



KeArrow Jenkins

Hometown: Stockton, Ga.
High School: Lanier County HS
Parents: Loverette and Tony Jenkins
Major: Communication
Siblings: Tony Jenkins Jr. and Jack Jenkins
Favorite hobby: Reading
One thing I am not good at is: Math
Biggest fear: Snakes
Favorite movie: "Love and Basketball"
Most inspirational person: My grandmother



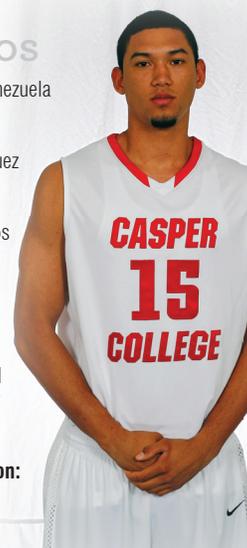
Rosalie Cutri

Hometown: Waterloo Corner, South Australia
High School: Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College
Parents: Joe and Joanne Cutri
Major: Secondary English Education; Sports Psychology
Siblings: Frank and Florence Cutri
Favorite sports figure: Michael Jordan
One thing I am not good at is: Keeping on my feet
Biggest fear: Aliens
Most inspirational person: Gilbert Arenas (before he went crazy)



Deninson Burguillos

Hometown: Valencia, Venezuela
High School: Gustavo Diaz Solis
Parents: Teodoro Rodriguez and Olfa Burguillos
Major: General Studies
Siblings: Daniel Burguillos
Favorite food: Chicken
Favorite movie: Transformers trilogy
Favorite hobby: Talking on Skype!
One thing I am not good at is: Playing ball with my right hand
Biggest fear: FROGS!
Most inspirational person: My mother





Where Are They Now?

The Casper College Men's Basketball Program has had a lot of great players over the years. When speaking about some of the greats, you can bet one of the names that comes up will be Alex Hernandez. The 6'4 All-American had a great career at Casper College from 1998-2000 and then went on to star at Gonzaga University.

Hernandez is the fourth all-time leading scorer in T-Bird history with 1273 points. In 2000 he was a third team All-American while leading his team to a Central Sub-Region Title and 19 wins. He averaged 23.5 points per game as a sophomore while shooting over 60 percent from the field.

After Hernandez wrapped up his great career in Casper, he signed a letter-of-intent with Gonzaga University. While at Gonzaga he played in two NCAA tournaments advancing to the Sweet 16 in 2001. He won 55 games in his two years at Gonzaga and finished ranked number six in the final poll in 2002. For his two-year career in a Gonzaga uniform he averaged 11 points and 6 rebounds per game. Not only was he a success on the court, but he also earned his degree in organizational leadership from Gonzaga University.

When asked about his experience at Casper College, he has a lot of memories. First of all the weather was a big change for someone who grew up in the Nevada desert, but he credits his coaching staff, teammates, and host family (Jim and Judy Russell) for helping him be successful. He is currently in his fifth year as an administrative assistant/player personnel coach at Gonzaga University. He has been married to his wife (Jenny) who he met at Gonzaga in 2000. They have two beautiful children, Isabelle almost 4 and Alexander 14 months.

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2012-13 T-birds Athletics Schedule

Women's and Men's Basketball

TBD	Wells Fargo Tipoff Classic	Casper, WY	TBD
Nov. 1	Eastern Wyoming (M)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 2	Southern Idaho (W)	TBD	5:30 PM
Nov. 2	Snow (M)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 3	Salt Lake (W)	TBD	5:30 PM
Nov. 6	Laramie County (M)	Cheyenne, WY	7:00 PM
TBD	Northeastern J.C. Tourney	Sterling, CO	TBD
Nov. 9-11	Opponents TBA (W)	TBD	TBD
Nov. 13	Salt Lake (M)	Casper, WY	7:30 PM
TBD	Pizza Hut Invitational	Casper, WY	TBD
Nov. 15	Opponent TBA (W)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 16	Eastern Utah (W)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 17	Northeastern JC (W)	TBD	3:00 PM
Nov. 17	Southern Idaho (M)	Casper, WY	7:30 PM
Nov. 19	Northeastern Colorado (M)	Casper, WY	7:30 PM
TBD	Optimum Thanksgiving Classic	Casper, WY	TBD
Nov. 22	Lamar (M)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 23	Cloud County (M)	TBD	7:30 PM
Nov. 24	RF Sports Academy (M)	TBD	5 PM
Nov. 27	Western Nebraska (M)	Scottsbluff, NE	7:30 PM
TBD	Air Force Prep Tourney	Colorado Springs, CO	TBD
Nov. 29-Dec. 1	Opponents TBA (W)	TBD	TBD
TBD	Northeastern J.C. Tourney	Sterling, CO	TBD
Nov. 30	North Platte (M)	Sterling, CO	5 PM
Dec. 1	Northeastern Colorado (M)	Sterling, CO	3 PM
Dec. 5	Western Wyoming (W/M)	Rock Springs, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Dec. 8	Central Wyoming (W/M)	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Dec. 10	Eastern Wyoming	Casper, WY	5:30 PM
Jan. 5	Dawson (W/M)	Glendive, MT	3/5 PM
Jan. 9	Miles (W/M)	Casper, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Jan. 12	Northwest (W/M)	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Jan. 16	Little Big Horn (W/M)	Crow Agency, MT	5:30/7:30 PM
Jan. 19	Gillette (W/M)	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Jan. 23	Sheridan (W/M)	Sheridan, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Jan. 26	Western Nebraska (W/M) Homecoming	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Jan. 30	Western Wyoming (W/M)	Casper, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Feb. 2	Central Wyoming (W/M)	Riverton, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Feb. 6	Dawson (W/M)	Casper, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Feb. 9	Miles (W/M)	Miles City, MT	3/5 PM
Feb. 13	Northwest (W/M)	Powell, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Feb. 16	Little Big Horn (W/M)	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Feb. 20	Gillette (W/M)	Gillette, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Feb. 23	Sheridan (W/M)	Casper, WY	3/5 PM
Feb. 26	Eastern Wyoming (W/M)	Torrington, WY	5:30/7:30 PM
Mar. 2-6	Region IX Tournament (M)	TBD	TBD
Mar. 3-7	Region IX Tournament (W)	TBD	TBD
Mar. 18-23	National Tournament (W)	Salina, KS	TBD
Mar. 19-23	National Tournament (M)	Hutchinson, KS	TBD

Volleyball

TBD	Southern Idaho Tournament	Twin Falls, ID	TBD
Aug. 24-25	Opponents TBD	TBA	TBD
Aug. 28	Western Nebraska	Casper, WY	7 PM
Aug. 31 - Sept. 1	Vernon College Tournament	Vernon, TX	TBD
TBD	Opponents TBD	TBA	TBD
Sept. 4	Laramie County	Casper, WY	7 PM
Sept. 5	Northeastern JC	Casper, WY	7 PM
Sept. 8	Eastern Wyoming	Casper, WY	5 PM
Sept. 11	Northwest	Powell, WY	7 PM
TBD	Pizza Hut Invitational	Sterling, CO	TBD
Sept. 14-15	Opponents TBD	TBA	TBD
Sept. 18	Sheridan	Sheridan, WY	7 PM
TBD	WyoBraska Tourney	Torrington/Scottsbluff	TBD
Sept. 21-22	Opponents TBD	TBA	TBD
Sept. 25	Western Wyoming	Rock Springs, WY	7 PM
Sept. 27	Central Wyoming	Casper, WY	7 PM
Oct. 4	Sheridan	Casper, WY	7 PM
Oct. 6	Northwest	Casper, WY	3 PM
Oct. 9	Eastern Wyoming	Torrington, WY	7 PM
TBD	Central CC Tourney	Columbus, NE	TBD
Oct. 12-13	Opponents TBD	TBA	TBD
Oct. 16	Laramie County	Cheyenne, WY	7 PM
Oct. 20	Western Nebraska	Scottsbluff, NE	7 PM
Oct. 23	Central Wyoming	Riverton, WY	7 PM
Oct. 25	Western Wyoming	Casper, WY	7 PM
Oct. 31-Nov. 3	Region IX Tournament	Powell, WY	TBD
Nov. 15-17	National Tournament	West Plains, MO	TBD

Rodeo

Sept. 14-16	Central Wyoming	Riverton, WY
Sept. 20-22	Chadron State	Chadron, NE
Sept. 28-30	Sheridan	Sheridan, WY
Oct. 12-14	Laramie County	Cheyenne, WY
TBA	Gillette	Gillette, WY
Mar. 29-31	Colorado State	Ft. Collins, CO
April 5-7	Eastern Wyoming	Torrington, WY
April 19-21	CC Ropin' and Rigg'in' Days	Casper, WY
May 3-5	University of Wyoming	Laramie, WY

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Faculty & Staff Notes

Dean Neal received the 2011 Distinguished Service Award at Casper College. Dean has been employed at Casper College for 27 years, all of which have been either directly or indirectly related to campus housing. He started out in the custodial department servicing the cafeteria, moved to a custodian position in the residence halls, and currently is a building systems mechanic.

Debra Swedberg, Casper College mathematics instructor received her second master's degree from the University of Wyoming in math last fall.

Charles Ewing, a German and French instructor at Casper College, starred in the play this past spring, "The Mission of the Vega," a Stage III production at the Casper Planetarium. Sound effects and accents were central to the presentation, originally written as a German radio theater show. In addition to the regular run, there was also a special performance of the play in German, and Ewing was featured in both versions.

Jerome Fleg, Casper College woodwinds and jazz studies instructor, put together a concert for the Casper Chamber Music Society this past spring. He was joined by fellow CC music instructor, Neeraj Mehta on marimba, bassoonist Richard Turner, and pianist Susan Stubson. University of Alaska professor Jun Watabe was also part of the evening. Fleg chairs the annual Kinser Jazz Festival.



Will Robinson recently had an article called "Beauty and the Feast: Pollinator, Predator, Purloiner" accepted by the British journal *Bee World*. It will appear in their June issue, along with his cover photo of a green lynx spider capturing a giant honeybee as a tiny fly feeds on the wounds inflicted by the spider, below. "This photo is a small by-product of my Thailand research," said Robinson. Stretched out, the bee would be about 3/4 inch long.



Terri House has been promoted to the position of assistant director of financial services, effective June 1, 2012. Terri has been a member of the accounting and financial management staff since September of 2007. She has a B.S. in business administration from Valdosta State University and completed a M.S. in accountancy from the University of Phoenix in 2009. In addition, she has been an adjunct instructor for the Casper College School of Business and Industry.

Chauncy Johnson was promoted to the position of director of human resources on July 1, 2012. Previously Chauncy held the position of assistant director of human resources at Casper College. His experience also includes working for the City of Casper as a human resources analyst and as a special projects coordinator and business manager at Kiewit Texas Construction, LP in Fort Worth, Texas. Chauncy has a B.A. in Political Science and Spanish from Utah State University and a M.P.A. from the University of Wyoming. Chauncy also has a PHR, Professional Human Resources certification.

Linda Nichols ('01) was promoted to the position of registrar on June 1, 2012. Linda has worked in Admissions and Student Records (now Enrollment Services) at Casper College since 1996 serving as associate registrar for the past five years. Linda was instrumental in the implementation of Casper College's scheduling software, has completed both the Casper College Leadership Institute and Leadership Casper, has served on College Council, and been chair of Staff Alliance. A graduate of Casper College, Linda holds a bachelor's degree from Dickinson State University.



Shawn Powell will succeed Dave Cherry as the dean of the School of Social and Behavioral Science having served as interim dean for the past year. Shawn has his A.S. from the Community College of the Air Force, his B.S. from the University of Oklahoma, his M.A. from the University of Central Oklahoma, and his Ph.D. from the University of Northern Colorado.

Kelsey Deus, Casper College biology instructor, received her Ph.D. in microbiology from Colorado State University last fall.

Fourteen Retire From Casper College

Casper College said farewell to 14 employees who accounted for a total of nearly 344 years at the 2012 Recognition and Retirement Banquet.

Margo Bell began as a bookkeeper at Casper College on May 26, 1981. From bookkeeper, Bell then became an accountant, and retired as the assistant director of financial services.

Linda Borden began her career working full time nights and weekends on the circulation desk in the Goodstein Foundation Library on June 3, 2002. At retirement Linda was a library specialist and worked in the technical services department.

Dave Cherry began his teaching career at Casper College on August 23, 1976. From political science instructor Cherry moved into more administrative positions first as the chair of the political science department and the chair and later the dean of first the division and later school of social and behavioral science school. He left Casper College having spent his last year at the school as the interim vice president for academic affairs.

Linda Davis came to Casper College on September 5, 1989. She began in student services where she worked for six years before moving to career services.

Gary Donnelly began teaching at Casper College on August 19, 1981. Donnelly taught a variety of business classes in marketing, business, and hospitality management.

Floyd Kelly started at Casper College on September 1, 1969. During his tenure at Casper College he was an instructor and also chemistry department chair.

Judith Kirk started at Casper College on June 26, 2000 as the first-ever assistant human resources director, a position she held until becoming human resources director in 2010.

Gale Lara, began her career at Casper College in 1995 working as the academic assistant in the division of language and literature, and left the college in 1997 to work for the University of

Wyoming/Casper College Center in the position of office assistant. She returned to Casper College to become the executive assistant to the president on January 19, 1999, a position she held until her retirement.

Tom Lewallen became the school's master electrician on September 26, 1988, a position he has held until retirement.

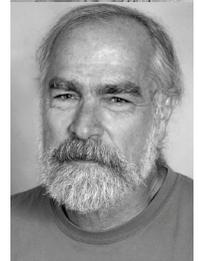
Alison McNulty began her career at Casper College working the switchboard on June 18, 1997. From the switchboard she rose to the position of registrar and director of admissions and student records. When the admissions office was reorganized to enrollment services, she became registrar.

Bobby Nelson was a custodial worker at Casper College and started on May 6, 1980.

Don Robinson has taught and worked in a variety of areas since he began on June 23, 1976. He started as an instructor in the college's mining technology program, and then taught in the automotive technology program. He took a break from teaching, first as the division chair for the trades and industry division, and then as dean for the school of career studies. The last several years Robinson was teaching again, this time in the political science department.

Jim Sears came to Casper College on August 19, 2002 and worked as the college's construction technology instructor for the past 10 years.

Garth Shanklin worked in a variety of areas after beginning his employment at Casper College on February 4, 1986. Originally a six-month supply contract as a counselor in the counseling and student development center, he became director in 1990. Shanklin became a member of the psychology department teaching full time in 1993. He was the chair of that department from 2002 until his retirement.



People & Places

1940s

Teddi Gaylord Stewart ('46) writes, "Hello to the first graduating class. It has been so long ago – 66 years – that I can't remember if we graduated. I took my sophomore year there. I am wondering how many of us are left. I was Teddi Gaylord at that time. I graduated from Natrona County High School in 1944 and the University of Wyoming in 1948. I taught school for 35 years in Wyoming and California. Do get in touch and let's do a little reminiscing. My address is 1602 Via Tropico, Santa Maria, CA. 93454. Email: teddibear1602@yahoo.com"

Charlotte Babcock ('49) was the kick-off speaker for the 2012 Casper College Humanities Festival and Demorest Lecture on Sin. Charlotte's topic was "The Crimes of Casper, A History of Sin in the City." She is the author of *Shot Down: Capital Crimes of Casper*. Charlotte is a featured writer in Footprints magazine and a member of the Casper College Alumni Board of Directors.

1950s

Pat ('57) and **Karen** ('58) **Hand** moved from Douglas to Cheyenne around five years ago. Pat keeps busy by volunteering at the Wyoming Bar Association. Pat says that Karen has her hands full taking care of Pat. They both enjoy being closer to their son in Ft. Collins, Colo. and daughter in Denver. They also have a daughter who resides up in Sheridan, Wyo. so they continue to have a reason to come up north.

Ray and **Janice Jacquot** ('58) have a very full life in Laramie where Ray is active in the Wyoming Engineering Society, the Laramie Engineers' Club, and serves on the board of the local senior center. Together they participate in the Albany County Historical Society and the local chapter of the Izaak Walton League, where Janice serves as president and Ray as secretary. Janice also volunteers at the Albany County Public Library. They also enjoy gardening and traveling. Ray was the 2007 Casper College Distinguished Alumnus.

1960s

Don ('63) and Sharon (Reek) **Davis** celebrated 50 years of marriage on November 23, 2011. The couple was married on Thanksgiving Day in 1961 in Casper. They spent the early years of their marriage in Lander and then in 1986, they moved to Laramie. They are now the retired owners of Fremont Electric. They are both graduates of Natrona County High School and Don attended Casper College. They have three children and seven grandchildren.

1.  **Inge Kutchins** ('68) was the keynote speaker at the Casper College 2012 Holocaust "Days of Remembrance" commemoration ceremony in April. The 2012 theme was "Choosing to Act: Stories of Rescue." Inge recounted the story of her family and their departure from Germany in 1939, as the Nazi's were stripping away rights from the Jewish population. To read her story in the Casper Journal go to www.casperjournal.com.

John Werbelow ('69) recently had a show of his ceramic work at the Cam-plex Heritage Center Gallery in Gillette, Wyo. John says his inspiration comes from nature. He taught art in Chadron, Neb., and now teaches classes at Gillette's AVA, the community art center.

1970s

2.  **David Long** ('72) and his brother, Mark Long, toured Route 66 from Santa Fe, N.M. to Santa Monica, Calif. on their motorcycles. The trip began in Buena Vista, Colo. After reaching California, they continued onto Zion, Bryce, and Capital Reef National Parks. Total time: eight days. Total miles: 2600. David says they experienced "temperature extremes from 45 degrees at Bryce Canyon to 105 in Needles, Calif. We met some interesting people, stayed in a really creepy motel, and were able to spend some quality time together." It's a big check mark off his bucket list. During the trip he took some pictures, and has memories to last the rest of his life. The "Wild Hogs" posed for a photo in front of Maggie's Dinner in Madrid, N.M.

Dennis Bay ('73) is the new associate superintendent for facilities and technology for the Natrona County School District and is responsible for the planning, development, and construction of all new and existing facilities. The district is headquartered in Casper.

Bob Auflick ('74) retired from his position as deputy district director of the Wyoming District Office of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Bob spent 33 years helping small businesses in various capacities. He was honored as the Natrona County Outstanding Federal Civil Servant of the Year during his SBA career, and spent many years volunteering in many community organizations.

Thomas F. McMahan ('74) writes that after spending time at Casper College years ago, he is excited to see the construction of so many new facilities on the Casper College campus. He says, "It is long overdue and will only enhance the educational level of students studying at this great school! I wish the school all the future success and growth along with Wyoming." He also wants to let all long-time friends in Wyoming and Colorado know that Thomas F. McMahan and Julie A. McMahan, his best friend and wife, celebrated 40 years of marriage on Feb 12, 2012. Father Charles Brady married them in Casper at St. Anthony's Catholic Church on Feb 12, 1972. The McMahan's are currently living in Windsor Heights, Iowa.

Mike Mullins ('78) retired in July 2012 from XTO Energy, a subsidiary of ExxonMobil. Mike is currently a senior automation technician-DCS and has worked many different positions over his 32 years with the company. Mike began his career with Exxon while living in Casper. Currently he lives in Meeker, Colo. with his wife Laurel. They have two children, a son 24 and a daughter 20. Both are pursuing college degrees. He says he looks forward to spending time in the outdoors fishing, golfing, and traveling to explore and enjoying his retirement. He gives thanks to CC for the education that helped him get started in life.

Charlie Wade ('79) is a Cisco specialist with Black Box Resale Services in Minnesota. Charlie majored in music under Tom Kinser and played in jazz band while attending Casper College. A Kemmerer, Wyo. native, he also played in the rock band Oxsymeron from Gillette at the CC winter dance.

1980s

3. Art ('80) and **Lynette** (current) **Boatright** and **Paula** ('87) and **Dale Volker** of Casper, Wyo. did a self-supported Rim2Rim hike across the Grand Canyon on May 17, 2012. The group logged 21.5 miles, losing 4,800 feet on their way down to the Colorado River from the South Rim and gaining 5,800 feet on the trip up to the North Rim. Temperatures reached 109 F. Dale and Lynette reversed the hike the following day. If this doesn't seem like a big deal, ask their coach Neil Short, also of Casper. (l to r) Dale Volker, Art Boatright, Paula Volker, and Lynette Boatright.

4. Mike Stepp ('80) is the proud grandfather of Kaidance Rose (Stepp) Schnepfer, born Friday, March 30, 2012. Kaidance's parents are both alums; **Erin Stepp** ('06) and **Darren Schnepfer** ('95). Mike is vice-president of the Casper College Alumni Board and the owner of Donells Candy in Casper. With all her alumni relatives, we certainly hope Kaidance will be a member of the Casper College class of 2032.

Penny Boyles ('81) teaches dance classes at Cody High School in Cody, Wyo. Penny grew up dancing, but never took a formal dance lesson. After attending Casper College, she went to the University of Wyoming, earning a teaching degree in 1983 and began to teach dance. Penny has also competed professionally.

Leila (Luehne) Porath ('82) earned her doctorate of science in physical therapy from Texas Tech in 2007. Specializing in orthopedics and post-surgical patients, she owns and operates a physical therapy clinic in Thermopolis, Wyo. Leila writes that she has a wonderful husband, Daniel, and two beautiful children, Michael and Christina.

Tom Ford ('85) was selected to be one of 16 sculptors whose work is featured as part of SculptureTour Salina 2012. The show opened in May 2012 and will run through April 2013 and encompasses three blocks of downtown Salina, Kan. Tom sculpts in plasticine and classic clay, rather than wax. He also works in stone, metal, pen and ink, and in watercolor and oils. His work has been featured in many venues around

Wyoming. Tom and his wife, Beth, live in Gillette, Wyo. with their children.

Elizabeth (King) Becher ('83) is the new community development director for the City of Casper. Previously, Liz served as the urban renewal manager.

Douglas B. Price ('83) is the dean of Global Education at Tulsa Community College in Tulsa, Okla.

Andy Jones ('86) coaches girls 4A basketball in Middleton, Idaho. This spring he won his third straight state title, pocketing four titles in five years, with 49 straight conference wins. His coaching career began in 1990 after graduating from the University of Wyoming. His first post was at Elbert (Colo.) High, a small school, where he coached both boys and girls teams at the varsity and junior high levels.

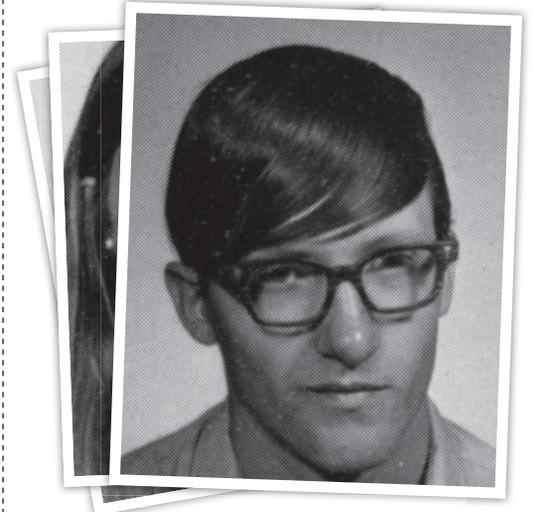
Marty Brammer ('87) is currently a radiation therapist in Casper associated with Rocky Mountain Oncology. Marty was instrumental in the establishment of the Annual Hogadon Ski Area "Tune-Up" Day where each third Saturday of September, volunteers gather to help beautify and preserve Hogadon Ski Area. He is relocating to Logansport, Ind. to work at Logansport Regional Cancer Center.

Doug Leonard ('87) has relocated to Texas and is working as a SAS programmer at Alcon Laboratories in Ft. Worth, Texas. The firm is a division of Novartis and according to Doug, "does anything and everything with eye health." Doug is a member of the CC Alumni Association Board of Directors and a past president of the board.

Scott Sutherland ('88) is the new president and CEO of the Casper Area Economic Development Alliance. Scott returns to Casper from Cheyenne where he was the vice president of business development for Cheyenne LEADS. He has served on the Federal Home Loan Bank of Seattle Advisory Council and with the Wyoming Economic Development Association. He graduated from Casper College and holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Wyoming.

Layne Weber ('89) recently opened the Auction Barn in Guernsey, Wyo. The business is the fulfillment of a lifelong dream. Trained as an auctioneer, Layne worked for a number of years in the oil field. He recently acquired the old Herren Brothers Lumber building in Guernsey, perfect for the business, which combines a retail side selling antiques, with an auction area on the other. Layne established Weber Auction Service in 1999. He was on the livestock judging team at Casper College.

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1990s

State Command Sergeant Major Thomas F. Allan ('90, '92) serves as the senior enlisted advisor to the Adjutant General of Wyoming, leading the Army Guard's noncommissioned officers. His duties also include active involvement in all care and training of the Wyoming National Guard's enlisted force. His military career first began in 1974, prior to attending Casper College. In the 80s, he took a break from his military service to work in the Wyoming oil fields. After his time at CC, he graduated from a number of military schools, culminating with the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy, in 2004. He is a member of the State Family Readiness Council and resides in Torrington, Wyo. with his wife. They have two daughters.

Candice (Benton) Cochran ('95) has taken a position in the Human Relations Department at Wyoming Medical Center. After graduating from Casper College, Candice earned a degree in organizational communication from Montana State University-Billings. She worked for four years as regional director of development for Mercy Housing Idaho in Boise. Since her return to Casper, Candice has assisted with fund development work and grant writing for Casper Children's Theatre, The Science Zone and the Nicolaysen Art Museum. She and her husband James have resided in Casper since 2006. They have two daughters, Marisa, 6, and Madison, 3.

 **Jessica Cassity** ('96) has opened a new office in downtown Casper for her dental practice that will also feature art by local artists. Jessica, who attended CC and the University of Wyoming, owns Casper Dental Arts. Jessica and her husband have three children.

 **Suzette (English) McIntyre** ('96) had a show of her photography and mixed media work through a collaboration of Gegi's Bistro and the Corridor Gallery in Casper this past spring. Suzette has received numerous awards and trophies including a showing at the Epcot Center, Photographer of the Year, and the Visual Excellence Award from Certified Professional Photographers. Many of her pieces have a sculptural quality, where the interplay of light and shadow are a key element in her inspiration. Suzette and her husband Jim currently reside in Windsor, Colo.

Lewis Michael Atkin ('98) married Maureen Mooney on September 25, 2010. He is employed by Fandango Productions doing woodshop and design management. They are living in Baltimore.

Elysia Conner ('98) left her position at the Casper Journal to become the education reporter for the Casper Star-Tribune. The recipient of numerous Wyoming Press Association awards, Elysia covered community news as a reporter for the Casper Journal after graduating with an associate degree in photography and fine arts from Casper College and a bachelor's in communications from the University of Wyoming. Her successor, Makayla Moore (current) will graduate from Casper College with a journalism degree in fall 2012, and has been a nonemployee community correspondent to the Journal for many months. Last winter she was recognized for in-depth reporting by the Wyoming Press Association for a four-part series on bullying that appeared in the Journal.

2000s

Kayla J. Kieser ('00) and her family have returned to Wyoming after residing in Minnesota for 11 years. Kayla earned a degree from Northwestern College of Chiropractic in 2004 and plans to practice in Cheyenne, Wyo. She and her husband, Trevor, have a daughter, Irene.

Chris Herbst ('98) recently joined Stockman Bank in Billings, Mont. as a commercial loan officer for the King Avenue office. Chris brings over seven years of banking experience to the position, which includes commercial, construction, and personal lending. He most recently served as assistant vice president, business banker for a regional bank in Billings. After earning his associate of business degree in business administration from Casper College, he earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, with a minor in finance from the University of Wyoming.

Kody (Turbiville) Wilbur ('98) lives in Belle Fourche, S.D. with her husband, Michael. They are part owners/operators of Wilbur Trucking, a family business. In addition, Kody continues to work on her family ranching operation, and does the bookkeeping for the trucking company and for a grazing association. She also works at Dairy Queen as the assistant manager. She says, "Our lives are quite busy!"

Jessica (Frisch) Millard ('00) has been working as a CT scan technologist at Aurora Medical Center in Grafton, Wis. since it opened in November 2010. In January, she married George Millard. Jessica has two stepchildren, Alex, 6 and Sara 4, and a new 3-month old baby girl, Jade Skye. George has a family-owned and operated dairy farm that keeps him very busy but they hope to honeymoon in Casper sometime this summer.

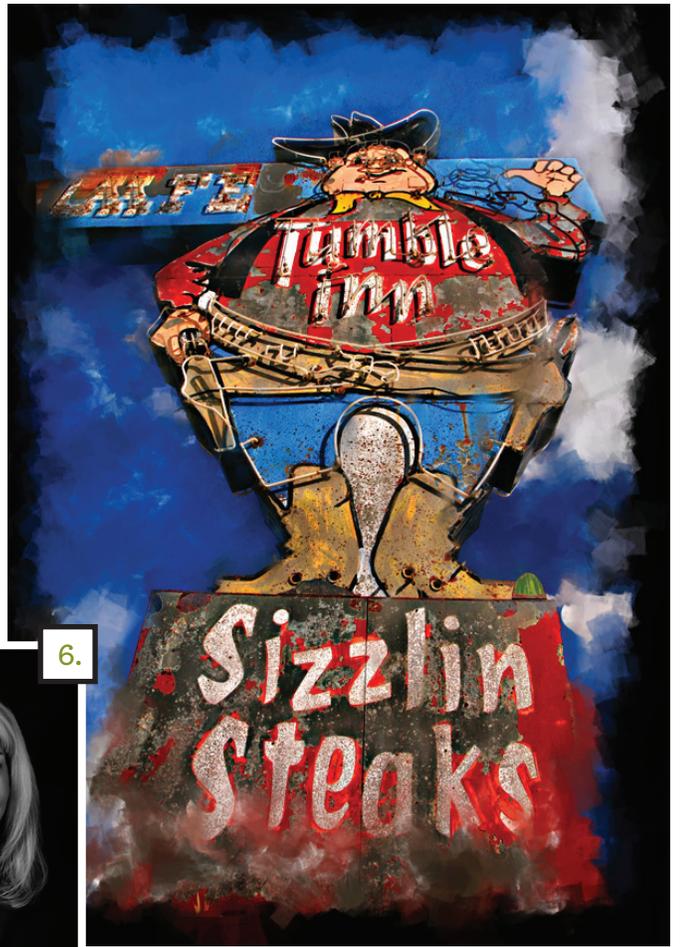
Kathy Johnson ('07) is the administrative assistant at Enxco Service Company, a renewable energy company, in Glenrock, Wyo. Kathy earned a degree in business management at Casper College.

Mark Miller ('07) is a service and sales manager for Hilltop National Bank in Casper. He received a bachelor's degree in business management and a master's in strategic leadership, both from the University of Mary in Bismarck, N.D. Mark is married with two wonderful children.

Brian Pippin ('07) got in touch to say that he has taken a promotion from the Jackson Hotshots to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. He is currently an engine captain (firefighter) at the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge in St. Marks, Fla.

 **Michelle Risse** ('08) directed and choreographed "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying" for the Fairbanks Light Opera Theatre, which was her directorial debut. Michele earned an associates degree in musical theatre and she says that CC was where she truly became a dancer. She studied at Stony Brook University in New York, and then graduated from the University of Alaska-Fairbanks in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in psychology. She also spent time in Orlando, Fla. where she became a certified personal trainer.

Mathew Brost ('11) is working as a page designer at the Casper Star-Tribune. Mathew worked on the CC student newspaper, Chinook, while attending Casper College.



Thank you

Thank you to our 2011 Alumni Contributors

Olon Terry Archer	Michael and Janice H. Martin Curry	Bill and Robyn Landen	Margaret Santarelli
Charlotte Babcock	Nancy Curtis	Mary Litzel	Goerge and Lois Scott
Anna Marie Ball	Mike Daly	Frederick and Jacki Lollar	Ralph and Jocelyn Smith
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Special T-shirt Sale Raises Funds for Scholarship

The Casper College Class of 2012 was able to raise \$1,000 to fund a class gift supporting a scholarship for a student at Casper College.

The gift was raised through the sale of an official Casper College Class of 2012 t-shirt. The bright red t-shirts each listed the names, divided by schools, of those who graduated from the summer and fall 2011 terms, as well as from the spring and summer 2012 terms.

2011-2012 Casper College Student Senate President, Trinity Holland, noted in her letter to graduates: "This opportunity is a new effort and our class can be the first to extend Casper College's culture of service by extending a hand to those who come after us. Let's set the bar high." Indeed, the bar has been set high for the class of 2013.

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Just Married



Benjamin Jares ('02) and Jayme Loughney were married on June 18, 2011 in Red Lodge, Mont. The groom earned a degree in fire science from Casper College and is employed as a firefighter by the Billings Fire Department in Billings, Mont. The bride is a therapist at Rimrock Foundation, a rehabilitation center in Billings.

Lindee Bynum ('09) and Troy Zespy were married Aug. 20, 2011, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Casper. The bride is employed at Sage Primary Care in Casper. The groom graduated from the University of Wyoming in 2011. He is a marketing assistant at Wyoming Machinery in Casper.

Sarah Hennagin and **Joseph Evans** ('05) were married December 17, 2011 in Casper. The bride is a youth advocate with a nonprofit organization in Spokane, Wash. The groom will graduate from Eastern Washington University in 2013. He is a student, referee, and tutor.

Cecilia Flores ('08) and Cory Foltz were married Sept. 10, 2011, at Bear Lodge Resort in Dayton, Wyo. The bride received an associate's in general studies from Casper College in 2008. She is employed as a personal trainer. The groom graduated from Natrona County High School in 2003 and is employed as a welder at TIC.

Sarah Hurt ('04) and Jason Hill were married Feb. 10, 2012 in Casper. The groom is a directional driller at Directional Drilling Company.

Danielle Dunbar and **Michael Kruckeck** ('96) were married Feb. 26, 2011, at the C'mon Inn in Casper. The bride graduated from the University of Wyoming in 2004 with a bachelor's in communications and from Grand Canyon University in 2009 with a master's degree in business leadership. She is a risk analyst for Wyoming Medical Center. The groom attended Casper College, and is a machinist for Compression Leasing.

Tiffany Maher ('07) and Matthew Scott were married May 21, 2011 in Casper. The bride is employed at Sidelines Sports Bar and Grill. The groom graduated from Eastern Wyoming College in 2006. He is a wireline operator for Weatherford. The couple resides in Casper.

Sharon Kathleen Dawson ('03) and Brian Patrick Mooney were married on April 27, 2012, in the lobby of the Casper Police Department with Judge Steven Brown officiating. They intended to marry outdoors at the Platte River White Water Park, but 60 mile per hour winds forced a change in location. The bride graduated from Casper College in 2003. She is a senior instructor/manager at Casper Martial Arts Academy and production sales manager of OK Fine Productions, a maker of rescue training dummies. The groom is employed as assembly foreman at XL Hardbanding.

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Reiter Schmidt** ('81)
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Donald Cantrell ('47)
June 28, 2011

Dylan E. Brock ('11)
October 12, 2011

Morres P. Morgensen
(former CE instructor)
November 15, 2011

Richard Everett Dolph ('48)
November 20, 2011

Donald A. Klinker
(Lifelong learner and CC benefactor)
November 22, 2011

Robert "Bob" McCrary
(former CC trustee)
November 22, 2011

Richard "Dick" A. Hufsmith ('84)
November 25, 2012

Pat Auflick (CC library director)
November 27, 2011

Mario Michael Marquez ('02)
December 9, 2011

Richard Lyle Enyert Jr. ('72)
December 17, 2011

Rodger Dale Stiles ('77)
December 19, 2011

Marcia Lee (Nichols) Wright ('59)
December 22, 2011

Florence L. Dobbins ('61)
December 23, 2011

Ginny M. Kurtenbach ('49)
December 25, 2011

**Patricia (Dee)
Sellers-Johnson** ('89)
December 25, 2011

Charles "Jack" Box Sr. ('58)
January 16, 2012

Leo A. Moore ('02)
January 20, 2012

Ken Hauf ('99)
January 22, 2012

Bradley M. Sanford ('87)
February 1, 2012

Lynell L. Addison ('05)
February 4, 2012

Shannon Brummund ('80)
February 8, 2012

**Jennifer Lynne
(Heron) Sebesta** ('98)
February 9, 2012

Janice Lee (Hovey) deMoor ('91)
February 12, 2012

Orville Patrick (Pat) Moon ('57)
February 18, 2012

Josephine (Hancock) Neville ('96)
February 28, 2012

Louise Meeker Locke ('69)
March 1, 2012

Carl B. VanDorn ('71)
March 4, 2012

**Charlotte Ruth
(Tweed) Alexander** ('49)
March 8, 2012

**Nicole "Nikki"
Christine Howard** ('10)
March 17, 2012

Lawrence G. Lofgren (former CC
faculty)
March 19, 2012

Nicole Christine Howard ('10)
March 23, 2012

Christena Marie Smith ('82)
April 14, 2012

Charles David Marsh ('56)
April 15, 2012

Adam Longo ('02)
April 18, 2012

Keith Laverne Ames
(former faculty)
April 29, 2012

L. Ray Berrett ('69)
May 10, 2012

Kevin John Redmond ('96)
May 10, 2012

Gaynell Ann Park ('54)
June 7, 2012

John J. Robertson ('74)
June 10, 2012

William Haskins Ward
(Math Lab/GED tutor)
June 11, 2012

Tyler Dale Sanderson ('09)
June 18, 2012

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According to Charlotte...

The Cat in the Bag



by Charlotte Babcock ('49)

Thursday, February 2, 2012
Just an ordinary day.
Weather decent for February.
Not too cold.
Not too much snow.

I looked at my calendar. Nothing exciting. Just an appointment for Miss Kitty (Honey) to visit her veterinarian at 2:30 p.m. for her booster shots.

I got out the carrier – a kind-of “carry-on” bag with a zipper closing across the curved top and handles stretching over the top to carry it.

I put it on a chair. About 2 p.m. I thought it was time to load her up. She didn't think so.

As I picked her up and opened the top to stuff her in, Honey yowled and attacked. I dropped her and got my hand out of the way just in time.

I thought over my strategy and decided to sprinkle some of her dry food on the bottom of the carrier. Honey is a “chow hound” and I was convinced she would take the bait – and get right in.

She sniffed around and cautiously stepped partway in. I quickly gave her rear a shove. She leapt over the top with a growl and ran for cover.

By now, it was approaching 2:30 and I was getting anxious.

I had a flash of inspiration – I got a big bath towel, caught her unaware, and quickly wrapped her up.

That did it. She turned on me like an attacking tiger, hissing and growling and raking my hand with her teeth while slithering out of that towel like an oiled eel. My hand was dripping blood all over the towel and my shirt. She disappeared.

Now the battle was on. She outmaneuvered my every attempt to corner her.

It was now 2:30. I called the vet, nearly in tears, to tell her of the impossible effort to keep the appointment.

“Not to worry,” she said. “Bring her in anytime until 4:30,” and added, “Enlist someone to help if you can.”

I called my neighbor, Pat. He arrived and spent half an hour trying to help. No luck.

I told him to go home. It was a hopeless situation. He went home quite readily.

Finally, standing in the kitchen, distraught beyond measure and holding my bloody hand under the cold-water faucet, it struck me.

Open a can of tuna fish.

I did.

I slid it into the very end of the carrier and stood back. The little tiger walked right in and I zipped her up. No cat is going to get the better of me – entirely.

It was now 4 p.m. and I sped to the vet's – carrying tuna fish, a meowing cat and, of course, my bloodied hand and shirt to say nothing of my hair looking like I had stuck my finger in an electric socket. Everyone there was extremely solicitous and took us quickly to an examining room.

The vet opened the carrier and Honey shot out. Still in her “tiger” phase, she wouldn't let the doctor near her. The assistant arrived armed with a large towel. It took both of them to corner her between a cabinet and a wall, growling and hissing, to wrap her enough to shoot her in the rear with the boosters. I stayed way out of the way.

The vet was apologetic because it was clearly impossible to examine her teeth or listen to her heart without being maimed. I understood, but I still had to pay \$72.

They got Honey into the carrier and hauled her out to my car.

At home, I unzipped the carrier, she flew out and disappeared. She took to her bed and didn't get out of it until Friday.

I found the Jack Daniels.

Honey didn't get any supper and I didn't care. We were both traumatized.

This whole ordeal taught me a lesson I will never forget –

YOU CAN'T PUT A CAT IN A BAG IF IT DOESN'T WANT TO GO!



This column is dedicated to Sally Crouch, a long-loved friend and kitty lover.

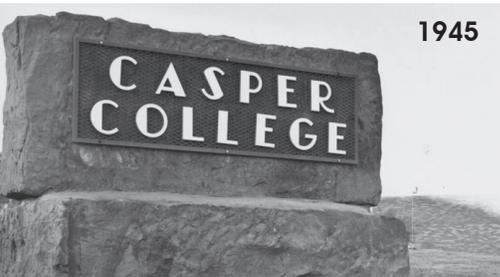


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