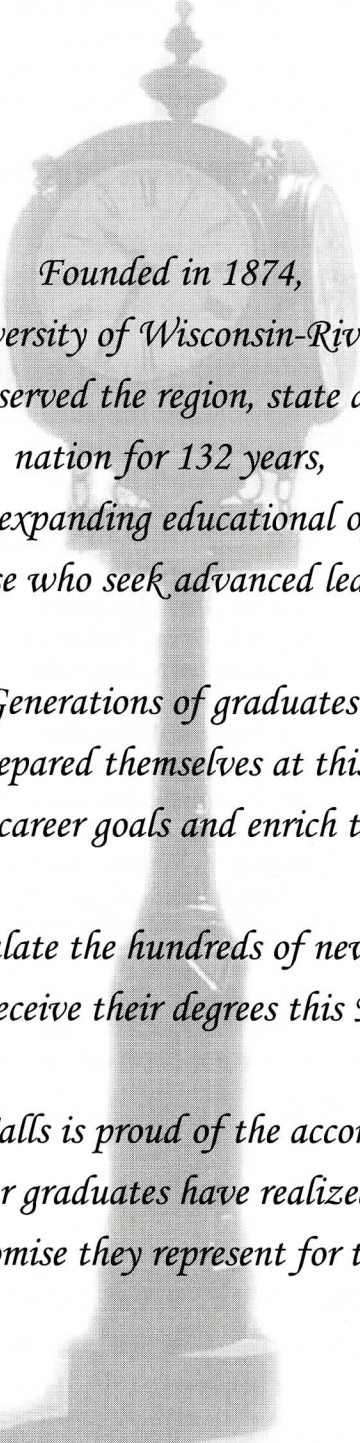


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*Founded in 1874,
the University of Wisconsin-River Falls
has served the region, state and
nation for 132 years,
continually expanding educational opportunity
for those who seek advanced learning.*

*Generations of graduates
have prepared themselves at this place
to achieve career goals and enrich their lives.*

*We congratulate the hundreds of new graduates
who receive their degrees this May.*

*UW-River Falls is proud of the accomplishments
our graduates have realized
and the promise they represent for the future.*



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Pledge Song

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-RIVER FALLS

Marvin Geere

To thee Riv - er Falls we pledge all our
love, And to thy ban - ner float - ing a -
bove, May we in pass - ing add just a
gem, To shine for - ev - er in thy di - a - dem.

The Commencement Program

Saturday, May 13, 2006, in the Robert P. Knowles Recreation Center

Dr. Don Betz, Chancellor, Presiding

9:30 a.m. - College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences • College of Business and Economics • Graduate Studies

2:00 p.m. - College of Arts and Sciences • College of Education and Professional Studies

Prelude Commencement Concert
Variety of Musical Selections
The River Falls Brass

Processional* "Pomp and Circumstance" by Edward Elgar
The River Falls Brass
Dr. Nicholas J. Karolides, Faculty Marshal

Call to Order Dr. Virginia M. Coombs, Provost and Vice Chancellor

Anthem* "The Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key
James W. King, Graduating Senior
The River Falls Brass
Members of the Graduating Class, Faculty, and Audience

Welcome Dr. Don Betz, Chancellor

Congratulatory Messages Dr. Barbara Werner, Faculty Senate Chair
Mr. Nicholas Cluppert, Student Senate President, 2005-2006

Presentation of Distinguished Teacher Dr. Nate Splett, 2006 Distinguished Teacher

Recognition of Distinguished Alumni Dr. William Boehm (9:30 a.m.)
Dr. Donald Babbitt (awarded posthumously)
-Dr. Katherine Babbitt accepting (2:00 p.m.)

Commencement Addresses Mr. Thomas O'Hern, "University Greatness" (9:30 a.m.)
Ms. Michelle Dodge, "To Believe in Yourself is to Believe in Opportunity" (2:00 p.m.)

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees**
9:30 a.m. Dr. Virginia M. Coombs, Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs
Dr. Nate S. Splett, Interim Dean, College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Dr. Barbara H. Nemecek, Dean, College of Business and Economics
Dr. Douglas L. Johnson, Director, Graduate Studies
2:00 p.m. Dr. Terry M. Brown, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
Dr. Connie D. Foster, Dean, College of Education and Professional Studies

Conferring of Degrees Dr. Don Betz, Chancellor

Welcome into the Alumni Association Mr. Paul Rebholz
Chair, UW-River Falls Foundation Board of Directors

Pledge Song* "UW-River Falls Pledge Song" by Marvin Geere
James W. King, Graduating Senior
The River Falls Brass
Members of the Graduating Class, Faculty, and Audience

Recessional* "Quintet Number 1" by Victor Ewald
The River Falls Brass

Reception A reception in the W. H. Hunt Arena for graduates, parents, faculty, and friends will follow the Commencement ceremonies. A photography backdrop will be available in the Knowles Center.

* Audience Standing
** Members of the audience are asked to withhold their applause until diplomas have been distributed to each college.

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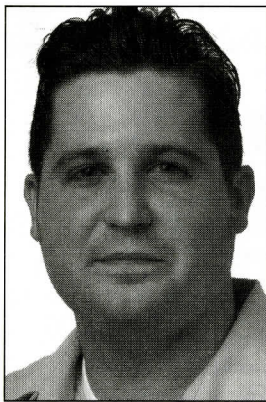
Michelle Dodge



Michelle Dodge, a native of Trego, Wisconsin, is a Speech Communication major with a Professional and Organizational Communication emphasis. Her individually designed minor focuses on Public Relations. Michelle has been an Admissions Officer tour guide, a Falcon cheerleader, a new student "Weeks of Welcome" leader and manager, and a summer registration facilitator. She is president of the Falcon Cheerleaders and of the National Communication Association Student Club. This spring she presented a

research paper at the Central States Communication Conference in Indianapolis.

Thomas O'Hern

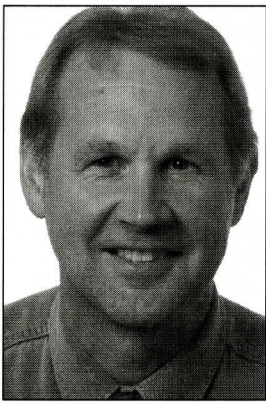


Tom O'Hern of Maplewood, Minnesota, is graduating with a Master's of Science in Education – School Psychology. He is a member of numerous professional organizations, including the National Association of School Psychologists, the Minnesota School Psychologists Association, and the Autism Society of America. Tom has been an outstanding student in the Department of Counseling and School Psychology and has been involved in scholarly research. He dedicates much of his time to high school special education students and

takes great pride in building relationships among learners.

DISTINGUISHED TEACHER

Dr. Nate Splett



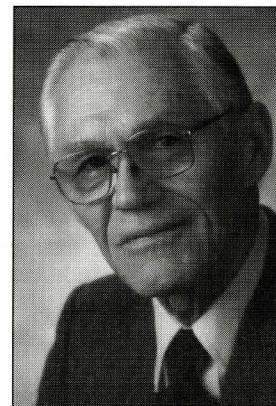
Dr. Nate S. Splett is professor of Agricultural Economics and Interim Dean of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences. His experience combines teaching and research with work in agri-business and the public schools. He was a vocational agriculture instructor in the Barron and Turtle Lake (WI) high schools, a loan officer for Production Credit Association, a supervisor for the Farm Credit Administration, has served as a consultant to agriculture-oriented financial institutions, and taught economics at UW-Stout.

In addition to his administrative duties at UW-RF, Dr. Splett teaches introductory agricultural economics, advanced microeconomic theory, agricultural accounting, agricultural law, farm management and horticultural management. He is a former chair of the UW-RF department of agricultural economics. He has been the recipient of several agricultural grants and his scholarly and research articles have

been published in journals including Agribusiness, Agriculture Financial Review, Journal of Dairy Science, and others. He was the 2005 Advisor of the Year at UW-River Falls. Chancellor Don Betz noted that "Helping students learn is what UW-River Falls is all about. Nate Splett is most deserving of this honor. He is truly a role model for all of us who are committed to preparing students for productive lives in the 21st century."

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

Dr. William Babbitt (awarded posthumously)



Dr. William Babbitt, a pre-med student and 1942 graduate of UW-River Falls, was a pioneer in pediatric radiology. An Oshkosh, WI native, Dr. Babbitt received his M.D. degree from the Marquette University School of Medicine in 1946. He held professorships at the Medical College of Wisconsin and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Dr. Babbitt's research was instrumental in discovery of the pancreatic disease, pancreaticobiliary maljunction. Dr. Yashuhisa Koyanagi of Tokyo Medical University

wrote that, "Dr. Babbitt's work has had huge effects on the diagnosis and treatment of countless patients around the world." He was an exemplary teacher; pediatric residents at Milwaukee County Hospital considered rotation with Dr. Babbitt as one of the high points of their residencies. Furthermore, he was committed to providing children with excellent medical care regardless of whether they had health insurance; his compensation often just was providing the best medical care for his patients. Accepting the award today is his wife, Dr. Katherine Babbitt.

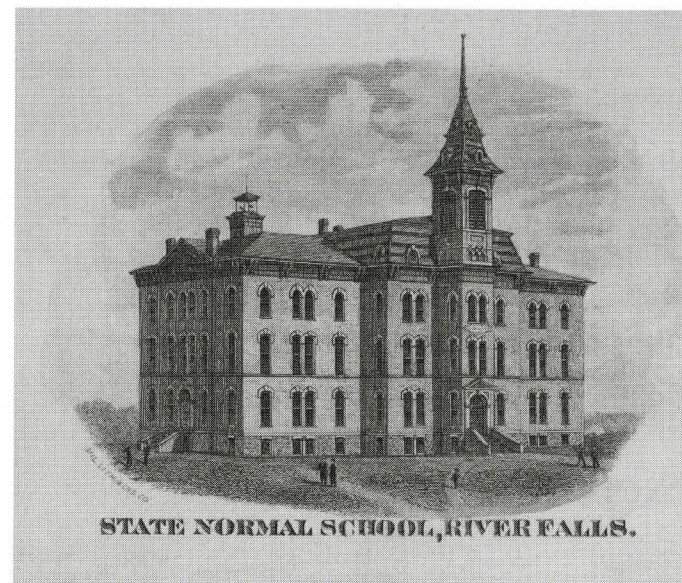
Dr. William Boehm



Dr. William T. (Bill) Boehm was raised on a dairy farm in central Wisconsin. He earned his bachelor's degree at UW-River Falls in 1969 and his masters' and doctorate from Purdue University, all in Agricultural Economics. Dr. Boehm taught food economics, food policy and dairy marketing at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. In 1976, he joined the U.S. Department of Agriculture as senior economist and research manager. He served as the senior economist for food and agriculture with the President's Council of Economic Advisors from

1979 – 1981. He then joined the Kroger Company, one of the nation's largest grocery retailers, holding positions of director of economic research and vice presidencies of corporate planning and research, grocery procurement, and logistics. In 2004, he was named Kroger's Senior Vice President and President of Manufacturing. Bill has had a longstanding involvement with both the National FFA organization and Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity and held leadership positions in both organizations. AGR, the National FFA and Alpha Zeta (honorary agriculture and natural resources society), have each recognized him for his contributions to agriculture and the food industry.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY



Founded in 1874 as the fourth State Normal School, the University of Wisconsin-River Falls continues to carry out its original mission—to educate and prepare citizens for the future.

For the first 75 years of its existence, as both Normal School and Teachers College, UW-River Falls concentrated on training teachers for Wisconsin's growing public school system. But the years were not without struggle. In 1897 the original building (shown above) was destroyed by fire. Despite efforts to relocate the school to another city, River Falls prevailed and South Hall rose on the foundations of the ruined school. Yet, throughout that period the curriculum expanded, reflecting the increasing professionalism of teacher education. In 1912, along with the other State Normals, River Falls added a specialty to its curriculum—agricultural education. The specialty added distinctive elements to the school's academic life and helped it to weather new challenges to the school's survival. Following accreditation by the North Central Association in 1935, the institution continued to evolve and expand curricular offerings. After World War II, with returning G.I.s filling the classrooms and hoping to pursue careers other than teaching, opportunities in the liberal arts were added and the Teachers College became a State College in 1951. With the addition of graduate programming in the early 1960s, the school achieved university status, and in 1971 became a member of the prestigious University of Wisconsin System.

The expanded mission of the university over the years was accompanied by an increasing enrollment, growing from just several hundred students in the 1800s to approximately 6,000 students today. The physical campus has also grown, today consisting of more than 30 academic, residential and student support services buildings.

Now nearly 50 degree programs are offered in the university's four colleges—arts and sciences; agriculture, food and environmental sciences; education and professional studies; business and economics; and in the graduate program.

At 132 years of age, the university is committing itself anew to inspire and educate citizens and leaders who will serve this growing region and our multifaceted world.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The ushers and students distributing programs are students affiliated with Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and Multicultural Services.

Head ushers for the ceremonies are Marcus Bonde and Joel Dernovsek.

Members of the University Women's Club are serving as hostesses at the commencement reception.

The names of candidates for graduation are being read by James Graham (College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences); Kathleen Hunzer (College of Arts and Sciences); Ahmad Abuhejleh (College of Business and Economics); Ogden Rogers (College of Education and Professional Studies); Eileen Korenic (Graduate Studies).

Assisting with the placement of the hoods are Tim Buttles and Scott Woitaszewski.

CHANCELLOR'S AWARD

Although the university had long recognized academic achievement through the granting of awards, scholarships, and honors, non-academic accomplishments had not received similar recognition. It was for this reason that, in 1977, the Chancellor and the Student Affairs staff began considering a way of honoring students who had made significant non-academic contributions to the university.

It was recommended that a Chancellor's Award, in the form of a medallion, be established. It is cast in antique bronze, two inches in diameter, and suspended from a red ribbon. The medallion is a smaller replica of the Chancellor's medallion, a symbol of office worn on ceremonial occasions. It depicts the University's official seal. A certificate of recognition from the Chancellor accompanies the award.

It was determined that the award would recognize service to the university; be granted primarily to upperclass students, although exceptions could be made; would not be based chiefly on scholastic achievement; and could be granted at any appropriate period, but would ordinarily be awarded at the all-campus awards reception.

Names in bold on the program designate Chancellor's Award recipients.

The following 2006 graduating seniors have received the Chancellor's Award:

Nicholas Cluppert
O'Neal Hampton
Stephanie Jicinsky

Jessica Kopp
Megan Learman
Carolyn Schenk

UNIVERSITY SERVICE MEDALLION

The medallion that faculty and staff are wearing has been awarded to those with 25 or more years of faithful service to UW-River Falls. The medallion, which features the university seal, is designed to be worn with academic regalia at formal institutional events. The strength of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls lies in the commitment of its faculty and staff to our historic mission of teaching, scholarly activity and community service.

ACADEMIC GARB

The cap and gown which faculty and students are wearing today have a tradition going back to the 12th and 13th centuries during the Middle Ages, when students and faculty were considered members of the clergy with special political and social privileges.

The Bachelor's gown has a closed front and long, pointed, open sleeves. The Master's gown has an open front with extremely long, closed sleeves, from which the arms protrude through a slit at the elbow. The end of the sleeve is square, with an arc of a circle just above the bottom. The Doctor's gown is an open-fronted garment with voluminous bell-shaped sleeves on which appear three velvet bars (usually black, but sometimes blue for philosophy). Gowns are usually black, although some universities use other colors (New York University - purple, University of Chicago - maroon).

The academic hood is edged in colored velvet which indicates the field in which the degree was earned. The Master's velvet is about two inches wide; the Doctoral velvet is five or six inches wide. The Doctoral colors are dark blue for the Ph.D. (Doctor of Philosophy), light blue for the Ed.D. (Doctor of Education) and light purple for Doctor of Laws.

For Master's degrees, the color of the velvet band is: agriculture, maize; arts & letters, white; business, drab; economics, copper; home economics, yellow; engineering, orange; fine arts, brown; library science, lemon; medicine, green; music, pink; physical education, sage green; science, golden yellow; social science, citron; speech, silver grey; theology, scarlet.

The colors in the lining of the hood indicate the institution from which the degree was obtained, e.g. Indiana University is crimson and white, University of Minnesota is maroon and gold, University of Wisconsin-Madison is red and white, State University of Iowa is black and gold.

CLASS MARSHALS

The seniors with the highest cumulative grade point average for each college serve as class marshals and have the honor of leading their fellow students to receive their diplomas.

The top seniors and their cumulative grade points for each college are:

College of Arts and Sciences

Jessica Kopp, Psychology, 4.0;

Jamie Krueger, Political Science, 4.0 (Fall Graduate)

College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences

Erin Regan, Horticulture, 4.0

College of Education and Professional Studies

Sarah Garfield, Elementary Education, 4.0

Lisa Brostrom, Elementary Education, 4.0 (Fall Graduate)

College of Business and Economics

Emily Koerper, Business Administration, 4.0

HONOR GRADUATES

Honor Graduates are recognized on the program as follows:

**** Summa Cum Laude: The student has a grade point average of 3.900 for entire college career, at all institutions attended.

*** Magna Cum Laude: The student has a grade point average of 3.800 for entire college career, at all institutions attended.

** Cum Laude: The student has a grade point average of 3.700 for entire college career, at all institutions attended.

Students who have earned these honors wear the red and white neck cords.

* Senior Merit: The student has a grade point average of 3.500 and above for the final 60 semester credits.

HONORS PROGRAM

Names in capital letters designate completion of the Honors Program. Graduates of this program wear silver neck cords.

HONOR SOCIETIES

Graduates who have been elected to membership in academic honoraries wear the designated color cords and insignias associated with the societies. The following national academic honor societies are recognized:

Alpha Kappa Delta

Gamma Theta Upsilon

Phi Alpha Theta

Phi Kappa Phi

Pi Sigma Alpha

Psi Chi

Sigma Beta Delta

Sigma Pi Sigma

Sigma Tau Delta