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INDEPENDENT INSIGHTS

Heroes

It has been said that the age of heroes is over. From the myths of ancient Greece to the Norse legends to the 1950s comic books, there have been a multitude of heroes. Heroes are the ones who accomplish great things and (frequently) rescue those in dire straits. In some cases, heroes also have extraordinary powers – powers which make their accomplishments seem less extraordinary (if I could just “leap tall buildings in a single bound” flying to the rescue would be an everyday occurrence).

Today, whether it is because of growing skepticism or cynicism or because the contemporary would-be heroes have “feet of clay,” heroes are hard to find, and those who claim to have found one are greeted with snickers, sighs, and rolling eyes.

Well, prepare to roll those eyes, because I want to highlight and express gratitude to some heroes on college campuses; heroes who work incredibly hard and accomplish great things to advance a

great cause. I am speaking of our financial aid directors and professionals. I have never seen them in dramatic capes or riding in a tickertape parade, and, for all I know, they have feet of clay, but their commitment to opening doors for students and expanding educational opportunity is unparalleled.

Recently, the IRS system used to verify students’ need, was taken off-line. This meant that financial aid directors had to wade through multiple calculations for thousands of students to make sure they qualified for the federal and state grant aid they had earned. I heard not one financial aid director who complained or who shirked his or her responsibilities. I am not just talking one or two students either; I am talking about thousands upon thousands, students who have the skills and abilities to succeed in college but do not have the means and would not receive help without these heroic efforts by financial aid administrators.

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Articulation agreements streamline the bachelors degree pathway for associates degree-holders

The Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU) has a long history of working together with public institutions of higher education in the state. An example of cross-sector collaboration are the numerous articulation agreements between Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) institutions and WAICU members. The agreements formally outline pathways for associates degree-holders to transfer the credits they have earned in WTCS to a WAICU member. In other words, WTCS graduates may apply the coursework they have already completed at a technical college toward a bachelors degree program at a four-year college or university.

Nationally 41 percent of students earning an associates degree pursue a bachelors degree within six years. Between 2011 and 2016, well over 10,000 students have transferred from a Wisconsin technical college to a Wisconsin private, nonprofit college or university. A wide range of opportunities exist, and popular areas of study for transfer agreements include engineering, accounting, nursing, business management, and education.

Articulation agreements show a commitment in both the public

and private, nonprofit sectors of higher education to being student-centered. Providing students with the flexibility to pursue their education at more than one institution enables them to be the decision-makers in what works best for their educational needs. Not only do articulation agreements enable traditional aged technical college graduates to seamlessly transition into a bachelors degree program, but they also make it easier for associates degree-holders who have already been in the workforce for some time to return to college in order to build upon their experiences and advance their careers by earning a bachelors degree.

“In an era when the ground is truly shifting beneath our feet in higher education, it’s Wisconsin’s independent colleges and universities who are our proven, trusted and ready partners on every front. While our partnerships are long-standing, it never ceases to amaze me how dynamic they are when it comes to doing what’s best for students,” said Dr. Morna Foy, president of WTCS.

As Wisconsin’s workforce needs require increasing educational levels, WAICU, WTCS, and the UW System continue to work together in addressing attainment. ■

College Goal Wisconsin



The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the form students need to complete each year to be considered for grants and loans to help pay for college.

College Goal Wisconsin offers on-site help to students and their families filling out the FAFSA. Events will be held on several dates in October and November at locations across the state.

Participants will be entered to win a scholarship.

For more information on dates, locations, what to bring, and more, please visit www.collegegoalwi.org.

WAICU SCHOOL COUNSELOR WORKSHOPS

Register now: WAICU Fall Counselor Workshops

WAICU's popular workshops for school counselors are back! At these cost-free workshops, attendees have the opportunity to get up-to-date on private nonprofit colleges in Wisconsin (or get introduced to them for the first time). Each workshop will feature a presentation on access to and affordability of Wisconsin's private nonprofit sector represented by WAICU, as well as tips on the application and financial aid processes. Admissions representatives from each institution will give a short presentation and highlight their diverse academic and extracurricular programming. Breakout sessions provide attendees the chance to speak directly with the admissions representatives.

Free continental breakfast and lunch will be provided, and professional development certificates will be awarded. Register to join us for one of our fall counselor workshops:

- **Tuesday, September 12, 2017: Lawrence University, Appleton**
- **Thursday, September 21, 2017: Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee**
- **Tuesday, October 17, 2017: Beloit College, Beloit**
- **Thursday, October 26, 2017: Marquette University, Milwaukee**
- **Thursday, November 9, 2017: Holiday Inn & Suites, Wausau-Rothschild**

For more information on these free workshops, and to register, visit our webpage just for counselors: WisconsinsPrivateColleges.org/counselors.

WAICU School Counselor Workshops will be held in Minnesota and Illinois in the spring.

The WAICU 2017-18 Guide to Admissions & Financial Aid is here!
Call WAICU at 1.800.433.4733 or
email studentaccess@waicu.org to place your orders!



The free *Guide to Admissions and Financial Aid* includes:

- Profiles of Wisconsin's 24 private nonprofit colleges and universities
- Information on financial aid, including links to scholarship opportunities
- Admissions requirements and application timelines
- Majors and minors chart: find out what each institution offers
- Housing information

To view the *Guide* online or to submit a request for hard copies, visit www.WisconsinsPrivateColleges.org/counselors/counselor-resources.

Beloit's Professor Stanley inspires students, receives award for U.S. Physics Team

BELOIT COLLEGE

Paul Stanley, Dobson professor of physics at Beloit College, received the Homer L. Dodge Citation for Distinguished Service from the American Association of Physics Teachers this July.

Stanley has been the academic director for the U.S. Physics Team since 2009. Under his direction, the team has earned 22 gold, 16 silver, two bronze medals, and two special achievement awards at the International Physics Olympiad. The Olympiad is a nine-day international competition for high school students from more than 80 nations. Though countries are divided into teams, students compete on an individual level.

In preparation for the competition, Stanley prepares two nationwide tests given to top high school physics students to find members for the team—one multiple choice and one short answer.

“The high school physics students who like this sort of thing will call it lots of fun,”

he says of the short answer exam.

He selects 20 to 24 students based on their test results to go with him to the University of Maryland each May, where they train for two weeks in the university's physics department before heading to the competition, which changes location every year. He has traveled to India, Spain, and Kazakhstan during his 14 years of coaching.

At a time when there is considerable focus on STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and scholars urge tighter connections between secondary schools and higher education, Professor Stanley is acting and achieving results. ■



Paul Stanley works with a student in his Metalworking for Physicists class, which he teaches at Beloit College.

Dr. Christine Pharr becomes Mount Mary's 12th president

MOUNT MARY UNIVERSITY

Dr. Christine Pharr, a higher education administrator with more than 20 years of experience, became the 12th president of Mount Mary University in July.

“There is a real joy in telling the story of an institution like Mount Mary that meets the needs of such a diverse group of students – undergraduate women of all ethnicities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and faith traditions as well as men and women seeking graduate education in a faith-filled environment,” she said. “Mount Mary exists to lift up bold women as the next generation of citizens, workers and leaders. People want to be part of something as wonderful as Mount Mary, and we will spread the good news of this institution to all who will hear.”

Dr. Pharr previously served as vice president for alumnae and donor relations at the College of St. Mary in Omaha, Nebraska. Prior to that, she served as vice president for academic affairs at the College of St.

Mary, and as academic dean and professor of chemistry at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho.



Dr. Christine Pharr took office at Mount Mary University in July 2017.

“Dr. Pharr is an educator with a strong connection to the mission of Mount Mary University and the charisma of the School Sisters of Notre Dame,” said Marie

O'Brien, chair of the Board of Trustees. “Her leadership experience in both academic affairs and alumnae/donor relations, coupled with her ability to articulate a bold yet achievable future, provide Mount Mary with the skill set necessary to lead the institution.”

A South Dakota native, Dr. Pharr holds a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Mount Mary College in Yankton, S.D., a master's degree in chemistry from the University of South Dakota, and a Ph.D. in analytical chemistry from the University of Idaho.

“I'm truly honored that Mount Mary University and the School Sisters of Notre Dame have put their trust in my ability to lead Mount Mary into the future,” Dr. Pharr said. “It is clear that the charisma of the School Sisters resonates throughout the campus.” ■

Concordia works to close academic achievement gaps

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN

As the sole university in the Closing the Achievement Gap Consortium (CAGC), Concordia University Wisconsin is providing leadership and expertise and serving as a host site for the summertime efforts, which included multiple professional development opportunities for Wisconsin teachers, as well as the third annual African American Male Initiative, which encourages young men to excel in high school and pursue higher education.

Started in 2012, the CAGC seeks to embrace and change instructional methodologies and structures in schools in Wisconsin – a state which is home to the nation’s highest achievement gaps – Concordia’s object is to address the radically disproportionate academic achievement among diverse groups, especially students of color. The consortium is made up of 26 public, private, parochial, and charter school



Concordia Professor Dr. Elliot Moeser (right) and Brown Deer School District Director of Teaching and Learning Monica Brown discuss school data during an “Equity Institute,” sponsored by CAGC.

systems from West Bend to the Illinois border.

“We determined that we could do more work together than apart,” says Dr. Elliott Moeser, Concordia professor and executive director of the CAGC. “We may be in different types of schools, but we all have the same issues in common,

and we are all dedicated to serving the students, their parents, our communities, and our profession.”

In June, Concordia – as well as leaders from the consortium and from the State of Wisconsin – honored the former superintendent of Mequon-Thiensville schools, Dr. Demond Means, for his ongoing dedication to closing the achievement gap. Means, a Concordia alumnus, had served as the CAGC chair before accepted a position as superintendent of the Clarke County School District in Georgia.

“We created this consortium to be a really safe place for educators to learn and grow together,” Means said at the ceremony. “I am so proud of the professional development opportunities that our work has made available to our teachers and students, and I am confident that the consortium will continue to do so well into the future.” ■

Northland College launches new food center on campus

NORTHLAND COLLEGE

Three years ago, Northland College set a goal to have its cafeteria serve 80 percent local food by 2020. The College did not want to start a farm or to compete with farmers. “We wanted to work with growers to expand the regional food economy,” said Northland President Dr. Michael Miller.

Today about 46 percent of the food served on campus is grown or produced in the region.

The College is now poised to make the final push. The College launched the Hulings Rice Food Center on campus earlier this year—with a processing kitchen to prepare produce for the winter months.

“We’ll start receiving product right from farms, so mostly vegetables [and] a small amount of fruit as well from Bayfield,” said Todd Rothe, manager of the Food Center. “Then, we’ll be washing and cleaning the vegetables, chopping them into serving sizes, and freezing them by use of a blast freezer. After that, they’ll get vacuum-packed and stored for winter.”

The center is important

because of the region’s short growing season.

The center will be able to freeze up to 300 pounds of food each day and focus on processing local food for the college cafeteria this fall, Rothe said.

“We can also provide the service for [area growers],” Rothe said. “If they don’t want to train their own staff to come in and do the work in the kitchen facility, they can hire us—our staff—to do the work for them.”

In addition, the College has installed a composting facility with the ability to process 64,000 gallons of food waste per year. The College will be composting food waste on campus and for the community.

The food crew has also been busy this past summer ramping up its campus gardens—a fruit and nut tree grove, and perennial and demonstration gardens—with plans to install a hoop house (a tunnel-style greenhouse). ■



Northland College has hired Chef Lars Dukowitz as the food lab technician at its new food processing center on campus.

Opening next year, Marquette's new residence hall will honor former president

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

It has been more than a half-century since Marquette constructed a residence hall. Today the university is doubling down, constructing a two-tower, \$108 million facility for first-year and sophomore students that will bear the name of a beloved former president.

The 890-bed Rev. Robert A. Wild, S.J., Commons is the first major development from the university's newly adopted campus master plan. For the plan's lead architect, the student-centric facility is a fitting start. "I'm personally so proud that our first master plan project is truly for our students," Vice President for Planning and Strategy Lora Strigens told a crowd of students, faculty, and staff at the groundbreaking ceremony.

Marquette President Michael R. Lovell agrees: "For Marquette University to be among the top Catholic and Jesuit institutions in the world, it all must start with the student experience. We have to think and

act differently and embrace new ways of living and learning for our community." Currently under construction on the



Wild Commons will house up to 890 students and feature dining and campus community space.

Milwaukee campus' northwest corner, the facility will feature two resident towers connected through the lower levels by

dining and campus community space. One of the towers will be named in honor of alumni couple Ray and Kay Eckstein who, in January, issued a \$10 million fundraising challenge to name the facility after Father Wild, Marquette's 22nd president who served from 1996 to 2011, and again as interim president from 2013 to 2014.

Set to open in August 2018, Wild Commons will feature pod- and suite-like settings, as opposed to the traditional model of large buildings with small double rooms.

It will be designed to meet LEED certification standards and will incorporate innovative sustainable practices in the design. ■

Going Global: Lawrence adds new global studies major

LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

While globalization may not be a new phenomenon, it continues to change at an unprecedented rate. As Lawrence University works to provide students with the skills and knowledge needed to flourish in an ever-changing environment, a new global studies major has emerged.

"The new major came from a combination of both student demand and faculty entrepreneurship and leadership," said Jason Brozek, associate professor of government and co-chair of the global studies program. "The development of the major wasn't top-down or bottom up; it really was collaborative."

Emma Reading is among the first students to declare the new global studies program as a second major to complement her flute performance major. She sees

the combination leading to a career as an ethnomusicologist.

"I'm interested in music and displacement and how the individual musical traditions of immigrants and refugees are changing in the modern context of increased migration," said Reading, a junior from Castle Rock, Colorado. "I love the interdisciplinary



Students pursuing Lawrence University's new global studies major soon will be traveling the world literally and figuratively.

nature of global studies. Having more ideas from different disciplines gives you a fuller framework to use when you approach a problem you are looking to research or solve."

A grant from the Mellon Foundation to work on a new interdisciplinary initiative provided the impetus to formalize what Lawrence faculty members had already noted: large numbers of students enthusiastic about double majoring in language, culture or history courses and government and economics courses.

Lawrence's global studies major offers students four tracks from which to choose: nations and identities; cities; human security; and arts and exchange. Making it distinctive to Lawrence, the major requires the equivalent of a minor in a language.

"We really do focus on the language," said Dominica Chang, associate professor of French. "Languages at Lawrence focus so much on critical thinking and cultural knowledge. I think it is really something that makes this major unique." ■

MSOE's SAE Formula Hybrid team named world champion

MILWAUKEE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING



MSOE took first place at the international Formula Hybrid competition.

For MSOE's SAE Formula Hybrid team, countless hours spent soliciting sponsors, designing and building their formula hybrid vehicle, testing their work, and consulting with faculty and industry advisors from Fiat Chrysler Automobiles finally paid off—and they enjoyed a record-setting performance

on their way to taking first place in the world at the Formula Hybrid competition.

The competition was held this spring at the New Hampshire Motor Speedway. MSOE's team sailed through their technical inspections; achieved the fastest unlimited class time in the acceleration event; and competed in the autocross event with the fastest time. They also were the first team in the history of the Formula Hybrid competition to complete all 44 laps of the endurance event.

Nicholas Vang, a mechanical engineering major from Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, skillfully steered his way around a one-kilometer section of track. In an almost supine position, all Vang could see were the tops of the car's tires, the nose cone and the track. With exhaust screaming as the engine spun to over 10,000 RPMs and wind

rushing around his helmet, it wasn't until the final leg of the last lap that Vang noticed how hard his heart was beating.

"That's when I thought, 'We can do this; we can break the record,'" he said.

In addition, MSOE's team received the Industrial Design Award from Fiat Chrysler Automobiles and the IEEE Engineering the Future Award.

At the four-day event, students from across the U.S., Canada, and India competed in aspects of design, acceleration, handling, and endurance. Founded and run by Dartmouth College, the competition challenges college and university students to design, build, and compete high-performance hybrid and electric vehicles. The competition is part of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) Collegiate Design Series and is regarded as the most complex and dynamic of the series. ■

Historic \$3.5 million legacy gift to Nashotah House bears fruit

NASHOTAH HOUSE

Nashotah House Theological Seminary is proud to announce an historic gift of \$3.5 million from the Order of St. Benedict Servants of Christ. The gift endows a Professorship in Ascetical Theology and Monastic Studies and an annual international conference on religious life and Anglicanism.

When the gift was pledged several months ago, it was the largest commitment received in the history of the Seminary and its first endowed professorship. Founded in 1842, Nashotah House is the oldest degree granting institution of higher education in the State of Wisconsin. The institution was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in January.

This gift is a part of the school's 175th Anniversary Transformational Gift Initiative. The total raised to-date for this initiative is \$7.25 million.

The Order of St. Benedict Servants of Christ was founded in Phoenix, Arizona in 1968 by the Very Reverend Dom Cornelis

deRijk, OSB, a priest and Benedictine monk, with Reverend Canon Lewis Long. The Order is a Benedictine community guided by the balance of prayer, study, and work. The late Father deRijk, head of the order, received his Master of Divinity from Nashotah House in 1976.

"This generous gift-investment will honor the Order's legacy of service, keeping it alive in-perpetuity. It will insure that, for generations to come, House seminarians will benefit from their exposure to the great Church leaders and mentors who will occupy the Professorship and present at the annual international conference," stated The Very Reverend Steven A. Peay, Dean and President of



(L to R) Steven A. Peay, President, Rev. R. Craig Bustrin, President - Order of St. Benedict Servants of Christ, Dr. Chad Van Pelt, Secretary-Order of St. Benedict Servants of Christ, Diane Plantenberg, Associate Dean Office of Institutional Advancement

Nashotah House.

"We are humbled and proud that the Servants of Christ and their place in Church history will be permanently tied to Nashotah House and its mission." ■

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WAICU's mission is: "Wisconsin's private, nonprofit colleges and universities working together for educational opportunity." The Wisconsin Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (WASFAA) and the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) also are committed to educational opportunity. Contrary to what some falsely charge, financial aid professionals are not trying to keep anyone from receiving help. Just the opposite.

NASFAA's Statement of Ethical Principles holds that these professionals' primary purpose is to "help students achieve their educational goals through financial support and resources with a commitment to removing financial barriers. We should assume the obligation to never leave money on the table that could be awarded to needy students, no matter the administrative burden."

Accomplishing great things! Rescuing those in dire straits! HEROES!

Sincerely,



Rolf Wegenke, Ph.D.
President

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NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Alverno College, Cardinal Stritch University, Edgewood College, and Mount Mary University** have received Dash Emergency Grants from Great Lakes Higher Education Corporation & Affiliates to operate and maintain student emergency aid programs.
- **Viterbo University** has been awarded a \$1.64 million grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Nursing Workforce Diversity Program to support the university's Nurses for Underserved Rural Students Seeking Educational Success (NURSES) program.
- **The Medical College of Wisconsin**, UW School of Medicine and Public Health, and Marshfield Clinic Research Institute have been awarded \$5.4 million from the National Institutes of Health to enroll patients in a nationwide precision medicine initiative.
- **Columbia College of Nursing President Dr. Jill Berg** has been recognized by the *Milwaukee Business Journal* as a 2017 Women of Influence award winner in the "mentor" category.
- The U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service has awarded **Northland College** and the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest the Accessibility Accomplishment Award.
- **Dr. Dennis Brylow**, associate professor of math, statistics, and computer science at **Marquette University** co-chaired the committee that developed Wisconsin's first standards to guide K-12 school districts in the instruction of computer science.
- **Carroll University** has received \$300,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence against Women (OVW) to create programming that works toward reducing sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking on campus.
- **Alverno College, Edgewood College, Lawrence University, Marian University, Marquette University, the Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), Ripon College, St. Norbert College, and Wisconsin Lutheran College** were named to *Money* magazine's Best Colleges for Your Money 2017.

- The College of Health Sciences at Marquette University has received a \$1.5 million gift from the estate of Captain John A. Orlandini.
- Alliance College-Ready Public Schools has named **Beloit College, Lawrence University, and Ripon College** to its "Power 150 Index" list of Best Colleges for Students of Color.
- The **Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE)** received a \$935,000 gift from the Oilgear-Ferris Foundation to create an endowed fund that will support student programs and projects, as well as scholarships for students in MSOE's mechanical engineering department.
- *The Princeton Review* named **Beloit College, Lawrence University, Marquette University, and Ripon College** on its 2018 list of the "Best 382 Colleges."
- **Beloit College, Carthage College, Edgewood College, Lawrence University, Marquette University, the Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE), Northland College, Ripon College, and St. Norbert College** were named to the *Princeton Review's* 2018 list of the "Best Midwestern Colleges."
- **Tony Garcia**, director of diversity and inclusion at **Edgewood College**, was named 2017 Educator of the Year by LUCES, a Madison-based nonprofit organization that promotes and advocates for higher education and the advancement of Latino students.
- **Dr. Larry Fennigkoh, P.E., Milwaukee School of Engineering (MSOE)** biomedical engineering professor, was named to the 2017 class of the American College of Clinical Engineering (ACCE) Clinical Engineering Hall of Fame.
- The National Science Foundation has awarded **Carthage College** \$1.2 million to provide scholarships to STEM students who commit to completing either a secondary education minor or the college's Accelerated Certification for Teachers program and teaching in a high-need school.
- **Marquette University's** College of Education and Opus College of Engineering have received a \$1.2 million grant from the National Science Foundation to develop a 14-month master's degree program to attract and retain STEM teachers.
- **The Milwaukee School of Engineering's (MSOE) Center for BioMolecular Modeling (CBM)** received a \$600,000 grant from the National Science Foundation to implement a collaborative project with the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology that will connect students with educators and researchers in the biomolecular sciences.
- The **Ripon College Cycling** program has received a \$250,000 gift from cyclist Kyle Greene and his family to hire a full-time varsity coach and establish the Greene Family Cycling Room within the new Willmore Center for athletics, health, and wellness.
- **Concordia University Wisconsin** ranked in the Silver category of "Schools of Distinction" by BestColleges.com.
- **Lawrence University** has received \$500,000 from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to begin a program this fall focused on inclusive, integrative, and project-based pedagogy across the humanities and humanistic social sciences.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

- **Edgewood College** and UW-Madison has partnered with Madison School District's Personalized Pathways program to help high school students with

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college and career planning.

- **Marquette University** has partnered with Cristo Rey High School in a work study internship program that offers students the opportunity to work one day per week at Marquette in order to help pay for school tuition.

NEW PROGRAMS

- **Alverno College** has launched a new teacher licensure program for paraprofessionals who have an associate's degree or at least 60 credits. The program can be completed in 24 months, and courses will be offered in the evening and online.
- **Bellin College** has announced a new degree program for registered nurses to complete their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree. The RN to BSN program was launched in 2015 as an exclusive partnership with Bellin Health and will now be expanded to the public.

EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

- The **Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW)** has launched its Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program. The 3+3 dual degree program is comprised of three years of undergraduate curriculum at partner institutions – **Carroll University**, **St. Norbert College**, and **Wisconsin Lutheran College** – followed by three years of study in the PharmD curriculum at MCW.
- **Edgewood College** has signed new articulation agreements with Madison College. Civil or electrical engineering and human services graduates from Madison College may earn a degree in physics or sociology, respectively, at Edgewood College. A new elementary education pathway enables Associate of Arts or Sciences graduates from Madison College to be on the path to licensure for elementary education at Edgewood College.

RIP

- **Sr. Joel Read**, who served for 35 years as president of **Alverno College**, died on May 25, 2017. She was a leader in the creation of Alverno's ability-based curriculum and innovative learning assessment.