Jan Honek, 1978 Homecoming Queen, crowns the 1979 Queen Shari Meland. Her attendants include Ann Stoll, Sherry Lange, (not pictured are Shelley Rice and Theresa Trocke.)
Provost Sahlstrom’s Message

Dr. Stanley D. Sahlstrom

The Homecoming festivities of 1979 were the most extensive and well-attended in the history of the College. It was a great pleasure for Mrs. Sahlstrom and me to attend various events on campus and in the community and to visit with many of you alums. My only disappointment was that time did not permit us to visit with every one of you who returned to Crookston for this special once-a-year event. However, I would hope that you will not restrict your visits to Homecoming. If it is possible for you to stop by at any time to see changes on campus and to visit with me and faculty members, we would enjoy the opportunity to welcome you back to UMC, show you around, and share a cup of coffee with you.

Although the new library was not completed, the building has been occupied for the past month. Additional remodeling continues in old sections of Kiehle Building. The new library has provided a physical connection between Dowell Hall and Kiehle and is an excellent addition to our facilities.

Construction on the new food service and classroom building is progressing rapidly. We anticipate moving into that building after school is out next spring (1980) and then converting Bede Hall into a facility for continuing education and student services.

Bids will be opened for the new gymnasium within the next few weeks. We are hopeful that the bids will come in at a level where construction can move forward immediately. An expanded physical education facility and outdoor playing fields will be great assets to the College.

You probably have noticed in news releases from the University of Minnesota and from our public information department that UMC has the largest enrollment in its history. We are pleased at the interest in technical education that is demonstrated by the number of students coming to UMC. However, I should point out that the College is entering a period of enrollment stabilization in its growth pattern. The number of seniors graduating from high schools is declining steadily and that factor will have an impact on all of post-secondary education in Minnesota. We remain deeply committed to maintaining high academic quality at UMC and providing the best possible living and learning environment for all students who study here.

A new addition to the staff this fall, resulting from 1979 legislative appropriations for new personnel, is a director of Institutional Research and Development. That office will be responsible for seeking funds to support the institution. Sources for these supplementary monies will come from foundations, government agencies and the like rather than from individual taxpayers of Minnesota. The development officer will be responsible for assisting faculty in writing grants, for seeking seed money and matching funds, and conducting capital campaigns by fostering close relationships with foundations, organizations, and private citizens who are interested in supporting educational efforts at UMC. We are hopeful that the activities of this office will be instrumental in facilitating future development of our campus and its academic programs.

I hope each of you is having a wonderful year. Please keep us informed through the Alumni Relations office of both personal and professional changes in your life.

Letter from the President

Tom Feiro

We are in the last few months of 1979, but the new board of directors from the UMC Alumni Association are in the first few weeks of their working year. Former president, Wayne Omundson, came up to me at our first meeting and offered any assistance he could be to this year's board. His support and yours is really needed as we enter one of our busiest years to date.

Homecoming 1979 was a huge success. We had an excellent turnout for all the weekend activities. It began on Friday night with a combined meeting of the Northwest School and UMC Alumni Boards. We are close to completing the melding process of the two Alumni Associations. A new superboard is going to be elected this fall.

Saturday began early with Alumni meetings. Some of the divisions had a morning brunch meeting before the game. The football game was not decided until the final four seconds on a sunny afternoon. That set the stage for the all-alumni and division gatherings. We had a chance to see many old friends. A great turnout made the dance a success.

Throughout the weekend's festivities, we honored the Class of 1969, the second year now since our 10-year reunions have begun.

We have quite a challenge ahead of us this year. The melding process will be completed to combine the two boards. I look forward to an exciting year working with President Paul Pederson of the NWSAA. Funding for the new sculpture on campus is moving right along. A possible starting date for construction is next spring. The Alumni Association, this year, wants to hear more from all of you, to become more aware of what you are doing and where you're at. An excellent way to find out about your friends is to attend one of the many Alumni Dinner Reunions. Many of the alumni who were unable to make it to Homecoming find it easier to attend a dinner.

Our major project is to organize the First Annual Alumni Awards Banquet. Homecoming is going to begin on Friday in the future as we take time to honor many of our graduates who have gone on from UMC to high achievements in their field. The awards banquet is going to be an excellent kickoff for Homecoming. Each year we will have a chance to honor a few of the accomplishments of our graduates.

The Alumni Association wants to know if someone has moved, married, passed away, or gotten a new job. Do you know of anyone? Drop us a line!

See you this winter at one of the dinner reunions! Have a great fall!
Homecoming Honors the Class of '69

The second annual 10-year reunion was held during Homecoming festivities this year honoring the Class of 1969. Many alumni from the class returned to renew old acquaintances and reminisce about the good times they had at UMC. Next year's 10-year reunion at Homecoming will honor the Class of 1970. Plans have already begun for this activity, and we hope to have all the graduates and those students who attended that year back for this reunion.
For the past five years, we have sponsored alumni dinners throughout the state of Minnesota. Once again, we are planning six dinners which will be held during the months of November, December and January. These alumni gatherings offer us an opportunity to reminisce about our past and relive our school days at the University of Minnesota - Crookston and/or the Northwest School of Agriculture. It's a good time to get together with friends and to find out how our "alma mater" is progressing.

The evening will include a social hour beginning at 6:00 p.m., a delicious dinner at 7:00 p.m., and a brief program to update you on the development of the College at 8:00 p.m. If you cannot make it for the dinner, come for the program; we are always anxious to see our graduates.

Notices of the parties with the dates and places have been sent in the mail along with a registration card. If you haven't returned yours yet, please do so as soon as possible.

See you at the Alumni Dinner Parties!

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UMC/NWS Alumni Board

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Tom Feiro ('75), President;
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Darrell D. Hoyle  '69
Barbara Muhl Johnsrud  '73
Gail Johnson Smith  '74
Bruce A. Wennberg  '73

The new officers for the UMC Alumni Association from left to right are: Krista Boen Proulx '75, Secretary-Treasurer; Tom Feiro '75, President; and Lynn Finstad Klyve, Vice President.

SEATED (L-R): Debbie Wallenta Haley, UMCAA Director; Krista Boen Proulx, UMCAA Secretary-Treasurer; Lynn Finstad Klyve, UMCAA Vice President; and Val Heiraas Uttermark, UMCAA Director. STANDING (L-R): Dr. S. D. Sahlstrom, UMC Provost; Tom Feiro, UMCAA President; Verna (Pinky) Ford, UMCAA Director; Keith Ramberg, UMCAA Director; Wayne Omundson, UMCAA Past President; and Paul Pederson, NWSAA President. NOT PICTURED ARE: Rod Mosher, NWSAA Vice President; Rose Marie Price, NWSAA Secretary-Treasurer; Linda Schmitz Bergh, UMCAA Director; Ken Pazdernik, UMCAA Director, and Gary Wagner, UMCAA Director.

Campus Sculpture Project Funding Set

Final funding arrangements for the joint NWSA-UMC Campus Sculpture Project are now completed. Contributions thus far received total 65% of the cost. The University has agreed to temporarily underwrite the remaining 35% ($13,000) of the cost. Although this amount will still need to be raised by contributions, the project can now go ahead. Contributions to help pay off the final amount should be sent to:

Campus Sculpture Fund
% The Provost’s Office
University of Minnesota - Crookston
Crookston, MN 56716

All NWSA-UMC alumni are encouraged to support this worthy project. The sculpture will be completed and dedicated next summer. Exact dates for the dedication and related events will be announced in a future issue of the Alumni Newsletter.

UMC Graduates Make The News

BUSSELMAN, DIRECTOR OF MEDIA RELATIONS

Douglas D. Busselman of Lake Benton has been employed as director of media relations for the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation since June 1, 1979. Doug graduated from UMC with distinction spring quarter, 1979.

A 1974 Lake Benton high school graduate, Doug attended UMC from August of that year to June of 1975. The following 14 months he served as a staff announcer and advertising representative for KLOH Radio in Pipestone and for a time was on the editorial and advertising staff of the Lincoln County Valley Journal, a weekly newspaper. He returned to UMC in September of 1978 to complete his education.

While at UMC, Doug was editor of the college newspaper, served as staff announcer for KCUM, and was employed by the University Relations Office. In this capacity, he was responsible for all broadcast releases and the hosting of a weekly public affairs radio program broadcast on KROX, Crookston, and KRAD, East Grand Forks.

Doug and his wife Kim, are living in the Twin Cities area.

BONNIE BLAIR HAS HER OWN COURT REPORTING BUSINESS

Bonnie Blair, a UMC alumnus who majored in court reporting, was one of four women out of 20 in her class to graduate. While at UMC, Bonnie placed first in a regional court reporting contest held in March, and graduated in May of 1979 with high distinction.

Now she is Grand Forks Court Reporting Inc., open for business at 2517 14th Avenue South. Hers is one of only three court reporting firms in the city. With school behind her and the career of her choice ahead, she is ready to provide transcripts of depositions, court hearings, or conventions.

Alumni Marriages

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Schjei (Pamela Lanners) who were married June 23, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Vakoch (Nancy Nelson) who were married July 14, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Fran Roers (Jan Loomer) who were married in August, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tri (Vicki Janisch) who were married October 13, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Deere (Jennifer Schumacher) who were married November 3, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Oehkle (Peggy Gendron) who were married November 10, 1979.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Proskoski (Deb Revier) who were married in November, 1979.

ALUMNI

We need your current address if different from the mailing label on your newsletter, or that of a friend who has moved or gotten married.

Name __________________________ Class of _________
Maiden Name __________________________
Current Address __________________________
Telephone __________________________
Business Address __________________________
Current Position __________________________
Telephone __________________________
WHERE THEY'RE AT

Patrick Breker

Patrick is presently working for Western Geophysical near Bismarck, North Dakota as a diesel mechanic on an oil exploration crew. He recently graduated from North Dakota State School of Science at Wahpeton in diesel mechanics. ('73)

Timothy H. Carlson

Timothy graduated from North Dakota State University last spring with a degree in Agricultural Engineering. He is now employed by John Deere Harvester Works as a product engineer. ('76)

Karen Blokzyl Hanson

Karen and her husband Duane live in Crookston where Karen works as a bookkeeper at Polk County State Bank. They are expecting their first child this month. ('76)

Darrell D. Hoyle

Darrell lives in Marshall, Minnesota and runs a farm management, appraisal and real estate business. ('69)

Barbara Muhl Johnsrud

Barbara is a comptroller for United Cerebral Palsy of North Dakota and Northern Epilepsy Association of North Dakota. She's also working on an MBA from Moorhead State University. ('73)

Gail Johnson Smith

Gail and her husband Bruce have recently returned to Fargo, where Bruce is attending NDSU, after living in Minneapolis for three years. Gail is presently working at The Coalition as an executive secretary. She and Bruce have one daughter, Andrea, eleven months. ('74)

Bruce A. Wennberg

Bruce is living in Chisago City, Minnesota and working as a Building Maintenance & Sanitation Engineer for the local sheriff's office. He is also farming full-time. ('73)

Cindy Pexsa

Cindy was employed as a radio announcer for KNDD Radio in Langdon, North Dakota until she broke her leg in four places in a motorcycle accident last July. She is recuperating and will return to KNDD Radio when healed.

Robert Backman

Robert is managing Backman Farms in New Rockford, North Dakota.

Sharon R. Carlson

Sharon is a Lab Technician II at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks.

Ken Chaput

Ken is living in Crookston and working for the Red Lake Watershed District in Thief River Falls, Minnesota as Engineer Aid.

Thomas M. Esperson

Thomas is working as an Engineering Technician for the firm of Widseth, Smith, Nolting and Associates in Crookston, MN.

Steve Hoven

Steve is Farm Manager for the Hapka Seed Farm in Argyle, Minnesota.

David Kasper

David is employed by Midland Cooperatives as a Manager Trainee in Rushford, Minnesota.

Charles M. Larson

Charles is a Manager Trainee for ARA Food Ser. in Bemidji, MN.

Guy Lohman

Guy is working for the Bishop Whipple Schools in Faribault, MN. He manages the nine hole golf course during the summer months, and the ice arena during the winter.

Deborah Revier Prososki

Debbie was married in November and is working as a Lab Technician for the USDA Potato Research Labs in East Grand Forks, MN. She and her husband are living in Grand Forks, ND.

Nate Schroder

Nate is the proprietor for The Apple Cart in Crookston, Minnesota.

Russell W. Viton

Russell is living in Duluth, Minnesota where he is a Soil Conservation Technician for the South St. Louis Soil & Water Conservation District.

Byron L. Bengston

Byron is employed by the Midwest Vision Center in Thief River Falls, MN as an Optician and Office Manager.

Cheryl A. Feltman

Cheryl is living in Fargo, ND, and employed by the First National Bank as a Teller.

Debbie Gruhot

Debbie is working for the Severson Real Estate Co. in Grand Forks, ND, as a Secretary/Receptionist.

Bruce Hanstad

Bruce is an Ag Machinery Salesman at F. D. Offutt John Deere in Lisbon, ND.

Jan Honek

Jan is employed by Potter & Ketchum, Court Reporting Assoc. in Grand Forks, ND, as a court reporter.

Kim E. Kappes

Kim is living in Crookston where he is Sales Manager for Gaffaney's.

Geraldine S. Nelson

Geri is employed at First National Bank in Crookston as a Bookkeeper and Real Estate Secretary.

David A. Raebal

David is a Computer Programmer for Red Lake Electric in Red Lake Falls, MN.

Cheryl Cordts Sterf

Cheryl is a Medical Secretary at the UND Medical School in Grand Forks, ND.

Susan M. Tucker

Sue is employed by Maurices Cor. of Des Moines, IA as a Management Trainee.

Pamela Lanners Schjei

Pamela is working as an Assistant Teacher at The Young Peoples Place in Alexandria, MN. She and Doug were married last June.

Cindy Mosbeck

Cindy is the Head of the Drapery Dept. at Dayton's in West Acres, Fargo, ND.

Diane C. Rixe

Diane is working at the Norman Child Care, Inc. in Ada, MN as a Ass't. Teacher.

Philip R. Delich

Philip is Ass't. Manager of Robin Hood Restaurant - Walgreen Cor. of Illinois, in Duluth, MN.

Sylvia King

Sylvia is a Nutritionist for the Building Block Day Care Center in New Brighton, MN.
ALUMNI, WE NEED YOU!

All of us on the UMC Alumni Board are concerned about the Alumni Association. We need your support and membership in order for its continuance. Without it our association will not be as effective as it should be.

The UMC Alumni Association has decided to initiate a fund raising program to help defray expenses that we are incurring. With over 1700 members, if everyone donated $1 to $10, this would help to cover expenses and set up a yearly scholarship fund that would help some student with their college expenses. Also, a donation of $1 to $5 from each alumnus would go a long way in meeting the cost of UMC's sculpture.

A donation of $1, $5, or even $10 per year would help greatly. Below is a form for you to fill out and return to the UMC Alumni Association.

Please detach this portion and return!

MAIL TO: Don Cavalier, Alumni Relations, Dowell 119, University of Minnesota Technical College, Crookston, MN 56716

I am enclosing my donation to the UMC Alumni Association in the amount of: $1 $5 $10

I am enclosing my donation to the Sculpture Fund in the amount of: $________

In order to include you in the alumni news and also update our address records, we need the following information:

NAME

Maiden Name

PRESENT ADDRESS

GRADUATING CLASS

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

SOMETHING ABOUT YOURSELF - ACHIEVEMENT, ETC.

FAMILY

You can assist us in helping students become aware of UMC and its programs. Please list the name and address of a student (or students) you think might be interested in the University of Minnesota - Crookston. We'll send him/her more information about UMC and our ideas about academic excellence and our extracurricular activities.

I recommend the following student or students:

Name ___________________________ Name ___________________________ Your Name

High School/Yr. ___________________________ High School/Yr. ___________________________ Address ___________________________

Address ___________________________

We thank you for your cooperation!

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