



Distinguished Alumni

During the 142 year history of our school, a number of graduates have earned outstanding records of achievement and service to community and humanity. These individuals have placed a high value on education and service to others and have become role models for this and future generations. This award was inaugurated in 1987 and the following distinguished alumni have been selected for this special honor:

1987

Mr. Gerhard Bundlie 1907
 Mr. P. Milton Lindbloom 1907
 Mr. Karl Neumeier..... 1907
 Mr. Edward Thelen..... 1907
 Mr. Ruben Thoreen..... 1907

1988

Mr. Thomas Abercrombie..... 1948
 Dr. Allan Holmberg 1927
 Mr. J. Edward Slaughter 1908

1989

Mrs. Evelyn Dickinson..... 1927
 Mr. Robert Estelle..... 1943
 Mr. Butch Thompsen..... 1961

1990

Mr. Arthur Berggren..... 1925
 Mrs. Louise Johnson 1923

1991

Dr. William Bernstein..... 1920
 Mrs. Sally Johnson Novetzke.... 1950
 Mr. Earl Swanson 1927

1992

Mrs. Barbara Bancroft Klemme.. 1947
 Ms. Louise Berg..... 1928
 Mr. Chester Wilson 1903

1993

Dr. Mark Jacobson 1970

1994

Mr. Robert S. Davis..... 1931
 Mrs. Jeanne Splinter Trumble ... 1958
 Mr. Harry A. Swanson 1922

1995

Dr. Gordon Klatt..... 1960
 Mr. Dick Olsen..... 1953
 Dr. Sarah Stevenson..... 1963

1996

Dr. Suzanne Beske-Diehl..... 1963
 Mr. Michael Quinlen 1956

1997

Mr. Jack Hooley..... 1943
 Mr. George Leonard..... 1920
 Mr. Robert "Bob" Utecht..... 1937

1998

Ms. Babette Johnson Robb 1941
 Mr. Russell Jones..... 1935
 Mr. Dale Mulfinger 1961

1999

Mr. Harold I. Brosious 1899
 Dr. Patrick John Oriel 1955
 Mr. John P. St. Marie 1963
 Mr. Richard Strong 1960

2000

Dr. Estia Eichten 1964
 Dr. Jack Magnuson 1946
 Maj. Gen. James S. O'Brien 1940

2001

Chief Anne L. Beers..... 1970
 Dr. Jed "Jerry" H. Davis, Jr..... 1939

2002

Former students who gave their lives in the service of our country.

2003

Judge Howard R. Albertson..... 1945
 Mr. Toby Old..... 1963

2004

Reverend Gary Langness..... 1959
 Mr. Randall Raduenz..... 1970
 Ms. Betty Roney 1926

2005

Mrs. Dorothy Gerson 1940
 Ms. Mary Hulings Rice..... 1958
 Dr. Ronald G. Perrier..... 1958

2006

Mr. Robert Brown 1953
 Mr. Otto Folin..... 1888
 Mr. James Lammers 1959

2007

Ms. Deb Chial 1982
 Mr. Richard Huelsmann..... 1959
 Mr. Terry Johnson 1965

2008

Ms. Anne Knoche 1986
 Mr. Brent Peterson..... 1982
 Mr. John "Jack" Thoreen..... 1935

2009

Mr. Thomas A. Keller III 1953
 Ms. Andrea Saterbak M.D. 1982

2010

Ms. Sarah J. Andersen 1973
 Dr. William Brown..... 1972
 Mr. Culver "Cub" Davis, Jr. 1958

2011

Mr. Charles M. Hooley 1947
 Mr. Bruce W. McManus 1952
 Ms. Sara Jo Swenson. 1989

2012

Mr. Jean-Paul Beaulieu 1986
 Mr. David "Choc" Junker..... 1952
 Dr. Conway Joseph Rosell. 1943
 Ms. June K. Vining..... 1978

2013

Mr. Bruce Beutel..... 1950
 Dr. Edward Elgethun 1961
 Mr. Hugh Madson 1949
 Ms. Harriet McPherson..... 1946

2014

Mr. Robert "Bob" W. McGarry II.... 1951
 Mr. William "Bill" S. Palmer 1969
 Mr. Chris Shaffer 1988
 Mr. Robert "Bob" Thueson 1942

2015

Mr. Todd Bol 1974
 Mr. Calvin (Kelly) Brookman 1945
 Mr. Melvin (Buzz) Kriesel 1956
 Dr. Lisa Shafer 1991

2016

Dr. Joe Matel 1996
 Mr. Tony Rath 1974
 Mr. Lowell Thompson 1957

2017

Ms. Marilyn "Lynn" (Bruette)
 Abercrombie 1948
 Mr. Denis McDonough..... 1988
 Ms. Lee Valsvik 1978

2018

Ms. Maureen (Hooley) Bausch.. 1972
 Ms. Tracey A. Galowitz..... 1979
 Ms. Pamela (Ogren) Johnson ... 1976
 Capt. David S. Ratte 1980



Maureen (Hooley) Bausch – Class of 1972

As a marketing executive, Maureen (Hooley) Bausch has helped put Minnesota on the map - from Cub Foods to the Mall of America to Super Bowl LII. The 1972 alumnae started her career as an elementary teacher in Arizona, but was drawn to marketing. She returned home to work at Cub Foods, which was co-founded by her father, and spent 13 years in the advertising department. From there she moved to the Mall of America where she was instrumental in building the mega retailer into a national tourist destination for 25 years. As CEO of the Host Committee for Super Bowl LII, Bausch once again shined the spotlight on Minnesota. The committee's Bold North campaign put the state on the biggest stage in the world. Bausch holds unmatched skills in marketing and has received two Maxi awards, a Clio award, and was named one of the Top 100 Marketers in the nation by Advertising Age.



Tracey A. Galowitz – Class of 1979

For more than thirty years, Tracey Galowitz (Class of 1979) has dedicated herself to serving residents of the St. Croix Valley as a highly-respected and trusted estate planning attorney at Galowitz Olson, PLLC. After graduating law school, Galowitz committed herself to serving her local community despite having other prestigious offers. As a lifelong Stillwater resident, she has provided expert legal advice to many clients, friends, colleagues and business leaders. Galowitz has served on many local nonprofit boards and committees. She was a trailblazer for women, becoming the first female member of the Stillwater Noon Rotary, Tozer Foundation Board of Directors and Chair of the Lakeview Health System. One particular organization which is dear to her heart is Cancer Legal Care, which provides free legal care to Minnesotans affected by cancer who otherwise have limited access to an attorney's help for the legal issues that directly impact their health and quality of life.



Pamela (Ogren) Johnson, MS, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN – Class of 1976

Pamela (Ogren) Johnson is the Chief Nursing Officer for Mayo Clinic and the Chair of the Department of Nursing in Rochester, Minnesota. In her role, the 1976 alumnae is accountable for all aspects of nursing and provides leadership, guidance and direction across all Mayo Clinic sites to align Mayo's 14,000 nurses as a single integrated nursing practice. Ms. Johnson has worked at Mayo Clinic for 37 years, starting her career as a staff nurse at Rochester Methodist Hospital, and most recently as chair of the Department of Nursing. Ms. Johnson has been a member of both the Mayo Clinic Board of Governors and Mayo Clinic Board of Trustees. Ms. Johnson received her Bachelor of Art degree in Nursing from St. Catherine University in St. Paul, MN and holds a Master of Science in Nursing degree from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis. Ms. Johnson is a member of the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE), the MN Organization of Leaders in Nursing (MOLN), the Rochester Ronald McDonald House Board of Directors and is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN). Ms. Johnson has spoken nationally on a number of topics including system integration and the integral role of professional nursing in contributing to healthcare redesign for patients and consumers.



David S. Ratte, Capt, USN (Ret.) – Class of 1980

Dave Ratte (Class of 1980) traveled the world with the U.S. Navy. The former nuclear-trained submarine officer served 34 years in uniform. A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, Ratte was deployed 13 times. He served onboard five nuclear powered submarines, commanding the fast attack boat USS MINNEAPOLIS-SAINT PAUL (SSN-708) and Submarine Squadron 17. In addition, Ratte served on numerous shore duties, gaining an expertise in naval manpower, personnel, training, and education plans and policy development, as well as maintenance and material readiness program management. His final tour in the Navy was at the University of Minnesota as the Commanding Officer of the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps battalion and Professor of Naval Science. Ratte busily volunteers for several local governmental commissions and nonprofit organizations, including the Stillwater Veterans Memorial and Lumberjack Days Parade, while also officiating collegiate and high school cross country and track and field meets.