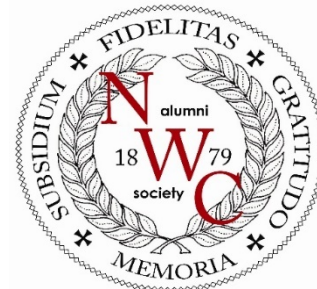




Minutes – May 25, 2022  
 Northwestern College Alumni Society  
 Annual Meeting  
 held at  
 Luther Preparatory School, Watertown, Wis.



**NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNI SOCIETY AGENDA**

142<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL MEETING MAY 25, 2022 4:00 PM

**Luther Preparatory School**

**Call to Order** – Alan Siggelkow, President<sup>(NWC'65)</sup>

The **142<sup>nd</sup> “annual meeting”** of the Northwestern College Alumni Society was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by the society’s chairman, **Rev. Prof. Alan Siggelkow**. *Total attendance* was **114**, counting non-members; the **71** members present could participate in voting procedures.

(Over the past two years we have not had an actual physical meeting of the Society due to the Covid pandemic. Hence the last time we met was in May of 2019, which was the 141<sup>st</sup> *annual meeting*. We can now resume calling it truly an “*annual meeting*.”)

**Welcome by Luther Preparatory School President Matthew Crass** <sup>(NWC'82)</sup>

President Matthew Crass of LPS welcomed the alumni society members to the LPS campus—the former NWC campus. He spoke of some of the building layout on the campus and then briefly explained the future plan to have an auditorium built on campus with the current auditorium (the Old Gym) reverting back to a gym for intramurals and other uses as needed.

**Membership/Chronicler’s Report by Rev. Prof. John Brenner**

Prof Brenner presented the Chronicler’s report for 2022 (attached to these minutes); 23 names were listed, including 1 “associate alumnus” (NPS grad.) who had died.

Recognition and thanks were, once again, given to **Rev. David Plocher** for his work in producing the new Northwestern College Alumni Society booklet. It contains the names of all alumni from 1872-1995, noting those who have gone on to heavenly glory and now making available his new *UPDATE insert page* covering the deaths in the last 2+ years. Every alumnus at the meeting was welcomed to take a free booklet if they didn’t have one. Further copies of the booklet are available for \$5.00 each.

**Elections by ballot** – **Joel Otto and Alan Siggelkow** served on the temporary Election Committee  
**Harlyn Kuschel, Wayne Meier, & David Peters** served as counters.

NB: Due to the fact that the Alumni Society has not met in person for the past 2 years (Covid), and due to the fact that the current officers were willing to continue in their offices until appropriate elections could be held, all offices were “open” for election in this voting. Those voted in for 1 year in this election were those who would have been voted in for a two year stint last year (odd-numbered years) and would have 1 year remaining. Those voted in for 2 years were those who would normally be voted in for a 2 year stint (even-numbered years). All offices are normally 2 year stints.

*Candidates voted on (\* = Incumbent; Winner of votes is in **bold print**)*

*Candidates are listed alphabetically according to last names.*

President	(2 years)	James Janke	* <b>Alan Siggelkow</b> <sup>(NWC'65)</sup>
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice-President	(1 year)	Joel Jenswald	* <b>Joel Otto</b> <sup>(NWC'91)</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-President	(2 years)	Philip Heyer	<b>Paul Meier</b> <sup>(NWC'95)</sup>
Secretary	(1 year)	Jonathan Kehren	* <b>Richard Lehmann</b> <sup>(NWC'72)</sup>
Treasurer	(2 years)	Luke Were	* <b>Timothy Spaude</b> <sup>(NWC'89)</sup>
Chronicler	(1 year)	* <b>John Brenner</b> <sup>(NWC'73)</sup>	Aaron Christie

- A motion was made and unanimously passed to express appreciation and thanks for the faithful service of former NWC Dean **Edward Lindemann**<sup>(NWC'58)</sup>, serving on the Nominating Committee for the past 30 plus years. Dean Lindemann went to his Savior's heavenly home a year ago (April 9, 2021) at a time when we had no Alumni meeting.
- A motion was also unanimously passed to thank **Harlyn Kuschel**<sup>(NWC'67)</sup> for his service to the Society as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for many years. He also served as our Secretary Pro-Tem many times through the years.

**Roll Call** -- Done by progression of years with the chairman calling out the youngest graduating dates to oldest--- Alumni stand and give their name and exact graduation year.

- A **total of 114** people were present, some being spouses of alumni. A wonderful turnout of alumni & some spouses came especially with the *Class of 1972*, which had **58** in attendance.

**Minutes of the 141<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting** on May 22, 2019 by secretary Richard Lehmann were approved.

**Treasurer's Report - Timothy Spaude, Treasurer.**

- The **audit** of our books will be done by the firm which will be auditing the books of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary this summer. The Business Manager's Office of WLS serves as our accountant firm.
- The Treasurer's report for 2021-2022 was accepted pending audit. (copy attached)

Highlights include: Operating Fund Balance (as of the end of March 2022): \$ 8,752.00  
 Student Scholarship monies to 12 MLC pastor-track students \$18,000.00  
 Presidents' Fund Balance (as of the end of March 2022) \$ 296,432.00

(The goal for the Presidents' Fund is to increase the balance in order to use just the interest.)

**Presentation of the Presidents' Fund Awards -- Rev. Joel Thomford**, Martin Luther College Admissions Counselor MLC Pre-Seminary Ministry Students are chosen to receive these awards by an MLC "Pre-Sem Ministry Faculty Committee" chaired by Prof. Nicholas Schmoller. The NWC Alumni Society ratified the list of 12 scholarships given to the specific students. A motion was made and passed to thank Prof. Schmoller and his committee for their work in this project. *Picture photos* of the following recipients were handed out at the meeting. (attached)

<b>Arstein, Calvin</b>	\$1500 Pres. E.E. Kowalke – Biblical languages: <i>Hebrew</i>
<b>Blumer, Ezra</b>	\$1500 Pres. Robert J. Voss – Student Life
<b>Engel, Sam</b>	\$1500 Pres. August F. Ernst – Confess. Languages– <i>German</i> ;
<b>Escobar, Juanda</b>	\$1500 Pres. Robert J. Voss -- Student Government
<b>Gregorius, Zach</b>	\$1500 Pres. John A. Braun – English
<b>Hengst, Caleb</b>	\$1500 Pres. Adam Martin -- Living Languages: <i>Spanish</i>
<b>Hillmer, Ben</b>	\$1500 Pres. John A. Braun – Leadership
<b>Schewe, Joel</b>	\$1500 Pres. E. E. Kowalke – Biblical Languages: <i>Greek</i>
<b>Schwark, Jacob</b>	\$1500 Pres. August Ernst–Confess. Languages: <i>German &amp; Latin</i>
<b>Wessel, Joseph</b>	\$1500 Pres. August F. Ernst -- Confessional Languages: <i>Latin</i>
<b>Winkel, Josiah</b>	\$1500 Pres. Lewis O. Thompson – Worship and Music
<b>Zabel, Doug</b>	\$1500 Pres. Carleton Toppe -- GPA and Religion.



**Ratifications** were requested by our Chairman for the following actions taken by the Praesidium during the time period of Covid and the loss of having 2 Alumni Society meetings in those years.

1. Ratification of the resolution by the NWC Alumni Society Praesidium during those two Covid years of 2020 and 2021 (when there were no meetings of the Society) **to have asked the members of the Praesidium to continue in their offices until the time of our next meeting.** -- PASSED unanimously
2. Ratification of the **2020 and 2021 list of recipients** of the President Fund Awards. – PASSED unanimously
3. Ratification of the resolution of the NWC Alumni Society Praesidium to **increase the number of award recipients to 12** and the amount of each grant to **\$1500.** – PASSED unanimously

In case you didn't receive notice of the 2020 & 2021 Alumni Society Presidents' Scholarship Fund awards, they are listed on the next pages



# NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNI SOCIETY



## 2022 WINNERS PRESIDENTS FUND GRANTS

L-R E. Blumer, J. Winkel, J. Schewe, J. Wessel (in back), C. Hengst, D. Zabel, B. Hillmer,  
Z. Gregorius (in back), S. Engel, C. Arstein, J. Escobar, J. Schwark

### 2021 (12 scholarships)

(Back row L-R photo below)

**Abel Bain** (Pres. Robert J. Voss Grant for Excellence in the Area of Student Government);

**Jonas Landwehr** (Pres. Robert J. Voss Grant for Excellence in the Area of Student Life);

**Noah Melso** (Pres. Lewis O. Thompson Grant for Excellence in the Area of Worship and Music);

**Marcus Sims** (Pres. August F. Ernst Grant for Excellence in the Area of Confessional Languages–German);

**Shawn Marron** (Pres. E. E. Kowalke Grant for Excellence in the Area of Greek);

**Matthew Rugen** (Pres. Adam Martin Grant for Excellence in the Area of Living Languages – Chinese);

(Front row L-R)

**Justin Schroeder** (Pres. August F. Ernst Grant for Excellence in the Area of Confessional Languages-Latin);

**Cameron Schroeder** (Pres. John A. Braun Grant for Excellence in the Area of English);

**Josiah Loersch** (Pres. John A. Braun Grant for Excellence in the Area of Leadership);

**Jonah Schulz** (Pres. E.E. Kowalke Grant for Excellence in the Area of Hebrew);

**Seth Koelpin** (Pres. August F. Ernst Grant for Excellence in the Area of Confessional Languages-Latin & German);

**Nathan Golisch** (Pres. Carleton Toppe Grant for Excellence in GPA and the Area of Religion).



**2020** (12 scholarships)

<b>Philip Balge</b>	\$1500	Pres. August F. Ernst—Confess. Languages- <i>Germ.&amp; Latin</i>
<b>Joseph Behm</b>	\$1500	Pres. Robert J. Voss - Student Life
<b>Jacob Bitter</b>	\$1500	Pres. August F. Ernst - Confessional Languages, <i>Latin</i>
<b>Mark Burger</b>	\$1500	Pres. Robert J. Voss - Student Government
<b>Ethan Carter</b>	\$1500	Pres. John A. Braun - Leadership
<b>Austin Claffin</b>	\$1500	Pres. E.E. Kowalke - Biblical Languages, <i>Hebrew</i>
<b>Jordan Massiah</b>	\$1500	Pres. Lewis O. Thompson - Worship and Music
<b>Malachi Mortensen</b>	\$1500	Pres. E.E. Kowalke - Biblical Languages, <i>Greek</i>
<b>Caleb Strutz</b>	\$1500	Pres. Adam Martin - Living Languages, <i>Spanish</i>
<b>Christopher Walther</b>	\$1500	Pres. Carleton Toppe - GPA and Religion
<b>Nathan Wranovsky</b>	\$1500	Pres. John A. Braun - English
<b>Isaiah Zabell</b>	\$1500	Pres. August F. Ernst - Confessional Languages, <i>German</i>
	<b>(\$18,000)</b>	

**Unfinished Business**

- \* Election results for the NWC Alumni Society Praesidium were all announced.
- \* You certainly may donate gifts to the following two Alumni Society projects:
  - o A new and better **NWC/NPS Historical Display Case** in the planning – about \$2,000
  - o A **Sign** commemorating the NWC Alumni Society gift to the LPS campus of the **Bell Tower** – will cost about \$4,000
- \***Tontine Committee Report** -
  - The Committee invites and requests Alumni members to bring items to be placed in Tontine
  - The Committee is also in the process of ordering *etched NWC Alumni Society Glasses* to be sold to members who would appreciate such decorative drinkware.
- \***Reminder to Alumni:** Make sure to take your free copy of the **Directory of NWC Graduates** at this meeting. Further copies are available for \$5.00 each.

**Thankful appreciation:**

- It was moved and passed to thank the following folks for their help to our meeting and endeavors:
- a. to **Mary Siggelkow** who serves as our “office secretary” and keeps records of both NWC and NPS grads and of all your gifts and “dues” payments.
  - b. to all **committee chairmen** and all who served on committees.
  - c. to the **business office** of *Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary*, **Brian Treichel**, Business Manager, and especially **Lori Guse and Carol Puglisi**.
  - d. to the administration, faculty, and staff of Luther Preparatory School, especially **Sue Boulden** and **Chef Fran Brickner** and his staff for the Alumni banquet.

**Closing Announcements/comments**

Buffet Banquet meal will begin at 5:00

**Adjournment** singing “The Alma Mater” & “The Fight Song”



**The ALMA MATER**

Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater - loud thy praises ring.  
 Hail to Thee, our Alma Mater - joyfully we sing.  
 To thy honor, to thy glory, we will e'er be true.  
 We will sing thy name forever. Our salute to you.

We the Black & Red will cherish, and the Black & Gold;  
 May their glories never perish as the years unfold.  
 To thy honor, to thy glory, we will e'er be true.  
 We will sing thy name forever. Our salute to you.



**Cheer for Old Northwestern** -ever strong and true!  
 Hail, to thee, Northwestern, we will cheer for you: Rah! Rah! Rah!  
 Onward old Northwestern, tear right down that field.  
 Not until we gain the vict'ry will we yield!

# THE CHRONICLER'S REPORT TO THE NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE ALUMNI SOCIETY

May 25, 2022

Since our last meeting word has reached us of the death of the following alumni:

## COLLEGE ALUMNI

Class of	
1948 Rev. Prof. Milton P. Spaude	1/30/22
1954 Rev. Prof. Richard D. Balge	10/17/21
1955 Rev. Prof. Darvin H. Raddatz	9/30/21
1955 Rev. Russel G. Kobs	1/11/21
1955 Rev. Rolfe F. Westendorf	12/28/21
1957 Rev. Robert C. Hartman	9/7/21
1957 Rev. William E. Godfrey	3/29/22
1958 Rev. Daniel M. Buske	8/13/21
1958 Rev. David G. Redlin	11/18/20
1959 Rev. Warren L. Widmann	8/29/21
1960 Rev. Silas R. Krueger	1/11/22
1961 Rev. Kenneth J. Vertz	2/6/22
1967 Rev. Andrew C. Martens	10/1/21
1967 Galen W. Sommer	5/1/22
1968 Rev. Prof. Paul L. Sullivan	12/29/21
1969 Rev. John E. Martin II	6/2/21
1969 Rev. Herbert H Prah	3/30/22
1971 Rev. Darrick P. Kolterjahn	2/10/22
1972 Timothy D. Schneider	9/10/19
1973 Rev. Donald L. Thompson	12/16/21
1975 Donald P. Wichmann	10/31/21

## Class of

1984 Rev. James S. Bartz 7/8/21

## ASSOCIATE ALUMNI (NPS Graduates)

1945 George E. Hackbarth 11/28/21



NWC ALUMNI SOCIETY - Treasurer's Report

May 25, 2022

**OPERATING FUND**

<b>Operating Fund Balance of 3/31/2021</b>		<b>\$6,617</b>
Operating Fund Income		
Gifts and Memorials	+\$10,119	
DVD sales	+ \$445	
Estate Gift		
	<u>+\$10,564</u>	
Operating Fund Expenses		
Wages, Mailing, Meetings,	- \$6,996	
Grant to Sem for Accounting help	- \$1,500	
Miscellaneous	<u>- \$23</u>	
	-\$8,429	
		<u>+2,135</u>
<b>Operating Fund Balance as of 3/31/2021</b>		<b>\$8,752</b>

**PRESIDENTS FUND**

<b>Presidents' Fund Balance as of 3/31/2020</b>		<b>\$287,691</b>
Presidents Fund Income		
Gifts and Memorials	+ \$24,334	
Dividends	+ \$4,881	
Investment Gain/Loss	<u>+ \$8,412</u>	
	+ \$26,742	
Presidents Fund Expenses		
Student Scholarships	-\$18,000.00	
		<u>+\$8,742</u>
<b>Presidents Fund Balance as of 3/31/2022</b>		<b>\$296,432.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,  
Timothy J. Spaude, NWC Alumni Society Treasurer

**Treasurer's Report Narrative:**

Operating Fund: The Operating Fund balance is positive. For the 7th year in a row our regular income was more than our regular expenses. We are accomplishing this by making one of our two mailings electronic only. Expenses were up because we had to use a mailing service instead of our volunteers.

We had no meeting in 2021 so meal costs were down as well. We will again look to reduce costs through volunteer help in the coming year.

Presidents Fund: The Presidents Fund is invested with WELS Investments. Stock Market results were slightly favorable at the end of our accounting period. They have since dropped sharply. We have increased the number and size of scholarships. We would like to increase the size again. The Fund balance will need to be monitored for sustainability. More blessing from God and more gifts would mean we can increase the size of scholarships so please urge your classmates to remember the Society in some small way in their wills and with gifts and memorials.

#### HISTORICAL YEAR TO YEAR COMPARISONS

	PRESIDENTS FUND BALANCE	OPERATING FUND BALANCE
2022	\$296,432	\$8,752
2021	\$287,691	\$6,617
2020	\$200,543	\$3,828
2019	\$222,151	\$7,321
2018	\$219,219	\$6,481
2017	\$203,512	\$50
2016	\$190,487	(\$3,429)
2015	\$201,522	\$6,120
2014	\$202,170	\$1,512
2013	\$184,415	\$5,897

	OPERATING FUND INCOME	OPERATING FUND EXPENSES
2022	\$10,564	\$8,429
2021	\$8,385	\$5,596
2020	\$9,560	\$13,053
2019	\$14,948	\$14,108
2018	\$13,330	\$6,899
2017	\$12,306	\$8,827
2016	\$9,794	\$9,343
2015	\$14,485	\$14,877
2014	\$13,042	\$14,649
2013	\$13,304	\$11,909

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#### **Alumni Banquet \$15.00**

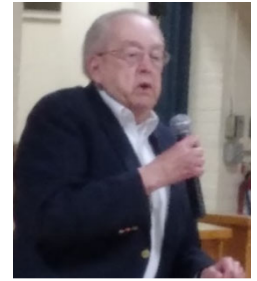
Honey Garlic Pork Chops      Grilled Chicken Breasts  
 Rice Pilaf   Sauteed Vegetables   Whole Green Beans  
 Croissants & butter   Pasta Salad   Potato Salad   Bean Salad  
 Assorted Pies      Coffee, water and Tea

**Post Banquet speakers 5:30 to 6:30 Anniversary Classes**

- 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1952) Herbert Lichtenberg
- 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1962) Doug Bode
- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1972) Jim Tiefel
- 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (1982) William Carter



70<sup>th</sup> (Herb)



60<sup>th</sup>(Doug)



50<sup>th</sup> (Jim)



40<sup>th</sup>(William)



**Vomhoffs and Bodes – 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary class representatives**



Nearly half the class of the Class of 1972 was in attendance. It was the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest class in NWC History starting out at 120 and ending with 70 graduates. They had a super get-together both on the ol' NWC campus and, afterwards, in downtown Watertown.



50<sup>th</sup> anniversary classmates **Jim Seelow** and **Rich Lehmann** sport NWC Alumni sweatshirts



Rev. Joel **Thomford** from MLC. Randy **Siegel** ('71) & Glen **Thompson** ('72)



Members of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniv. class: Randy Bartelt, Ken Kratz, Steve Lawrenz, & George "the Toe" Swanson, kicking the longest field goal in NWC history: 57 yards when he was a junior.





**Left: Chris & Debbie Sulzle** with the last NWC prof still alive for the class of '72—Prof. & Mrs. Jerald **Plitzuweit**

**Right: Rich and Nancy Warner** Were highly instrumental in preparing the 50<sup>th</sup> celebration of the Class of '72 in downtown Watertown. They hail from Florida.



**LEFT: Roger Kovaciny ('72)** showing his name as a translator for the brand new Ukrainian Bible translation. Behind him are other members of NWC'72: R.Plath, P. Kruschel, J. Korthals, P. Reede, R. Kuznicki



**Left**—The downtown hall was “packed in” tight with NWC'72 celebrants. **Below** is the banner, designed by the Warners, that showed all sorts of summaries from 1972. Rich Lehmann also assembled a 66-page booklet of personal biographies written by many of the members of the Class of 1972, along with memories of “those times” in society and at NWC. If you'd be interested in a copy, e-mail Rich at [rwlehmann1950@gmail.com](mailto:rwlehmann1950@gmail.com)

# Back in 1972

### 70'S SLANG

Psychel - Just Kidding  
Far Out! - Cool  
Dream On - Unrealistic  
Right On! - In Agreement  
Can You Dig It? - DO You Understand?

### U.S. PRESIDENT

**Richard Nixon**

### AVERAGE INCOME

**Per year**  
**\$9,697**

### 70'S Style...

<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>MEN</b>
Polyester	V-neck velour shirts
Platform shoes	Chest hair   Sideburns
Flared trousers	Turtlenecks
Farrah Fawcett Flicks	Airos   Mullets

### ON THE RADIO

Don Mclean "American Pie"  
Harry Nilsson "Without You"  
Hot Butter "Popcorn"  
Gilbert O'Sullivan "Alone Again (Naturally)"  
Daniel Boone "Beautiful Sunday"  
The Moody Blues "Nights in White Satin"  
Neil Young "Heart of Gold"  
Al Green "Let's Stay Together"  
Donny Osmond "Puppy Love"

### On Television...

The Brady Bunch  
All in the Family  
The Carol Burnett Show  
The Tonight Show

### FAMOUS PEOPLE BORN

Dwayne Johnson  
Eminem  
Jenny McCarthy  
Gwyneth Paltrow  
Cameron Diaz  
The Notorious B.I.G.  
Jennifer Garner

### IN THE NEWS

Bob Douglas becomes the first African American elected to the Basketball Hall of Fame.  
The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes above 1,000 (1,003.16) for the first time.  
Women are allowed to compete in the Boston Marathon for the first time.  
The first episode of The Price Is Right is hosted on CBS by Bob Barker.  
Bobby Fischer defeats Boris Spassky in a chess match at Reykjavik, Iceland, becoming the first American chess champion.  
The first female FBI agents are hired.  
HBO begins operating as a pay television service.

### IN THEATERS

The Godfather  
The Poseidon Adventure  
What's Up, Doc?  
Behind the Green Door  
Deliverance

### AVERAGE COST

New house	\$27,550
First class stamp	\$0.08
Gallon of Gas	\$0.36
Dozen Eggs	\$0.53
Movie ticket	\$1.70

### World Population

**3.83 BILLION**  
PEOPLE ON THE PLANET