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WHY I LOVE MORNINGSID

Why I love Morningside is such a tough question to answer. Not because it's hard to come up with reasons, but because it's hard to find words that truly capture the feelings, experiences, and moments I'll never forget. I may never find all the words to express it, but Morningside is a special place with incredible people that make it so easy to love.

While at Morningside from 2010 - 2014, I was lucky enough to be a part of the football team. We went 44 - 6 and started a run of conference championships that is still going to this day. But looking back, that's not what stands out to me. What stands out is the people I was surrounded with during that time. I had teammates that became family and coaches that taught me a lot about football, but even more about life. Coach Ryan would often say, "Accept responsibility, live courageously, and seek the rewards of a significant life." He taught us that a significant life is one that is lived with meaning and purpose. Every single day is an opportunity to become a better version of yourself and to find extraordinary meaning in what may have once seemed ordinary. Morningside College embodies this life lesson. It taught me to strive to be significant and to find the importance in small things, big moments, and everything in-between. When you are able to live a purposeful life and pursue your own vision of significance, success will follow.

I will leave you with a quote that I try to start every day with: "Today is the beginning of a new day. God has given you this day to do with as you will. You may waste it or use it for good, but tomorrow will come and this day will be gone forever. Leave in its place something you have traded, and make sure it's success, not failure; gain, not loss; and good, not evil." We started every single football activity during my time at Morningside with this idea. Because of the amazing memories made and special people I met at Morningside, I know exactly what it means to make every day significant, because every day at Morningside was significant to me.

Jordan C. Sitzmann '14



*2014 graduates Jordan (Johnson)
and Jordan Sitzmann*

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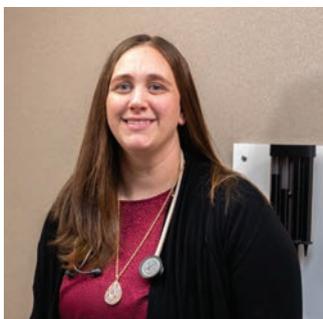
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Many things have changed in the last 100 years at Morningside, but one thing hasn't - our students' passion for civic engagement. The first Democratic and Republican student clubs were formed in 1920, the same year that the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote was ratified. (Photo: Morningside Poll 2020)

MORNINGSIDE AVENUES

A year to remember



Morningside celebrates 125th anniversary

Morningside was founded on Dec. 5, 1894, and alumni and friends gathered to celebrate the 125th anniversary over Homecoming Weekend, Sept. 20-21. In addition to the usual homecoming festivities, a 125th Anniversary Celebration took place Friday on campus. It was a beautiful fall evening filled with music, dancing, delicious food, history, and great memories made and remembered among many who know and love Morningside.

Our first 125 years have truly been remarkable because of the wonderful people connected to his place. Here's to our next 125 years!

Morningside Math makes a Big Bang

Last spring, Morningside College mathematics had a moment on national network television when math work from a Morningside faculty and alumni appeared in the background of one of the final episodes of CBS's *Big Bang Theory*.

The math work had been completed by undergraduate alumnae Alyssa Turnquist and Jessie Byrnes, along with math instructor Chris Spicer and retired Dartmouth College professor Carl Pomerance. Turnquist, Byrnes, and Spicer had begun the work in fall 2014 to prove a claim made by one of the show's main characters, Sheldon Cooper, in Season 4 Episode 10 of the show. Sheldon had declared 73 was the best number and referenced two mathematical properties that 73 satisfied.

The trio was not initially successful in proving the claim, but they made enough progress that they chose to publish a paper about their work in a math journal. Enter Dartmouth's Pomerance, who contacted Spicer after reading the article and offered to assist in finishing the work.

Spicer and Pomerance were able to successfully complete the work and began the process of preparing to publish. While attempting to seek permission to use a photo from the show, they came into contact with David Saltzberg, a physicist at UCLA who served as a technical consultant for *Big Bang Theory*. One of Saltzberg's tasks was to provide the math and physics that appears in the background of the sets. He liked the paper so much that he used the math from the paper on the set.

To add to the fun, local media caught wind of the appearance, and thanks to social media, news of Morningside's mathematical moment spread like wildfire. The story and math work have garnered media attention from around the globe.



JESSIE BYRNES, CHRIS SPICER, AND ALYSSA TURNQUIST



Morningside welcomes third-largest freshman class

The arrival of the largest class of first-year, full-time undergraduate students since 2015 and the third-largest class in the last two decades helped Morningside College kick off the 2019-2020 academic year.

“Our faculty and staff continue to make bold moves to ensure that students and families are not only getting the best Morningside experience possible, but that our students and families feel confident in the value of their Morningside education,” said Terri Curry, vice president for student life/enrollment. “We want to keep doing things that instill a deep sense of pride in being part of Morningside.”

President Reynders connects with alumni and friends around the U.S.

Morningside’s President John Reynders hosted a series of gatherings across the United States entitled “Excellence in All Things: Celebrating the Morningside College Experience.” These events provided an opportunity for alumni and friends of the college to reconnect and get an update as Morningside wraps up its Vision 2020 Campaign and begins to look ahead.

Cities visited so far include Spencer, Des Moines, Sioux City, Omaha, and Ft. Myers, with Minneapolis, Phoenix, and Kansas City still to come.



Friday is Writing Day celebrates 30 years

Over 2,000 writers have shared their work over the last 30 years of Friday is Writing Day. Founded in 1988, Friday is Writing Day provides a platform for all academic departments at Morningside to discuss the importance of writing in any profession and showcase different types of writing. Scripts, comics, journals, research, even text messages – all writing is welcome at Friday is Writing Day and it continues to inspire writers at Morningside today.

MORNINGSIDE AVENUES

Serving Siouxland

Morningside's mission reads "The Morningside College experience cultivates a passion for lifelong learning and a dedication to ethical leadership and civic responsibility," and civic responsibility is something our students, faculty, and staff take seriously. With opportunities like Into the Streets, the Garden to Table Experience, and activities in classes, servant leadership isn't rare here - it's the Morningside way.

Our largest annual service event is Into the Streets, an annual day of service organized by Morningside's chapter of the national honor society Omicron Delta Kappa. This year's Into the Streets saw over 800 students, faculty, staff, and alumni volunteering around Siouxland. It's an incredible feat that truly makes a difference in the community while also providing a great opportunity for fellowship.

Many of our classes and programs also make service learning part of the academic experience. In 2019, students in our Spanish program served Siouxland by assisting at the Sioux City Public Museum's Day of the Dead celebration and they worked with a variety of community partners to develop their language skills while also learning from experts in professional fields. Another great example is the Morningside garden, which grows more vibrant each year. Students in our agriculture program use the garden not only as a place to learn by doing, but to create a sustainable food source for Morningside's cafeteria and local food banks and provide educational opportunities to the community.

There's a whole host of other ways Morningside students are serving Siouxland, too, and this work truly makes a difference for both students and the community.



Journalistic icon Bob Woodward speaks at 2019 Waitt Lecture

Bob Woodward presented the 2019 Waitt Lecture, entitled "The State of the American Presidency: Addressing the Lay of the Land Pre-Iowa Caucus" in the fall of 2019. An associate editor of The Washington Post where he has worked since 1971, Woodward is perhaps best known for his coverage of the Watergate scandal with Carl Bernstein. The work earned him his first shared Pulitzer Prize in 1973. Woodward received his second shared Pulitzer Prize in 2003 for his coverage of the 9/11 terrorist attacks. During his storied career, he has also received nearly every major American journalism award and written and co-written 19 books, all of which have been national non-fiction bestsellers.

Norman Waitt Jr., a 1986 Morningside graduate and a former member of the Morningside College Board of Directors, established the Waitt Lecture Series at Morningside College in 1997. He saw it as an opportunity to bring the world to Morningside College students and the community through appearances by nationally and internationally known leaders in business, politics, economics, history, and the media. Recent lecturers have included CNN journalist and commentator Fareed Zakaria, "Meet the Press" host Chuck Todd, presidential historian Doris Kearns Goodwin, economist/humorist Ben Stein, and documentary filmmaker Ken Burns.



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MUSTANG MINUTE

Connecting the Diamond's Dots

Jones-Sitzmann reflects on the sport of a lifetime

Pictures speak a thousand words. For Mustangs Head Softball Coach Jessica Jones-Sitzmann, the photos on her wall conjure up memories of players and games gone by that could fill volumes.

"I look at the photos on my wall and I see a former player who just had a baby," Sitzmann reflected. "That player told me a short time after 'Here's your next recruit!' I see B.J. Rohlena who played for me at Morningside and now has a career at Koated Kernels as part of the Jolly Time company. There are memories and stories with each photo. Every time I glance up at those pictures around my office walls, I appreciate the many connections this sport has given not just me, but my family."

Jones-Sitzmann's father, Jim, was a fastpitch standout on the fields of Hubbard Park, giving her an excellent role model as a youngster playing t-ball. Once she had a bat in one hand and a glove in the other, her love for the game quickly flourished. She had a decorated high school career at Sioux City East, throwing a no-hitter in the state tournament. That was followed by a successful pitching career at South Dakota State University playing NCAA Division II softball – and it was during those days that coaching at Morningside first crossed her mind.



"Joan McDermott (former Mustangs' head coach) had the Morningside softball program going strong back in the Division II/North Central Conference days," Jones-Sitzmann noted. "Her teams were always competitive, and I enjoyed getting to know her. I always thought Morningside would be a great place to coach someday."

Little did she know, that thought would come to fruition in 1995.

Current Iowa National Guard Major General Ron Dardis was head coach of the Maroon back then, and he convinced the nanny for his children that she should become his assistant. That nanny was Jessica Jones. Just three years later in 1998, Dardis chose to further his military career and left the head softball coach position open.

"Beth Sibenaller (former athletic director) walked in and said, 'The job is yours,'" Jones-Sitzmann remembered. "I'd applied but didn't really know my chances. Being in this role is something I've cherished every day since."



Cherished, indeed – and a proven track record to boot. Her staggering résumé includes fourteen 30-win seasons, nine NAIA national tournament appearances, eight Great Plains Athletic Conference championships, and eight conference tournament postseason titles in the last 16 years.

When asked about her favorite memories, Jones-Sitzmann said, “There are so many wonderful times, big wins, and so-on. It’s hard to pick only a few, but having the opportunity to showcase Sioux City by hosting the championship tournament section twice and being in the top-10 in the NAIA are at the top of the list.”

By and large, though, the main thing on the mind of this six-time GPAC Coach of the Year is the here and now. Her focus is on continuing to add to the Mustang family by building strong teams and connections with her players.

“Talking to prospective student-athletes about how great this place is and what softball means and the family around this program is most significant to me,” she added. “Teaching players this great game - just like my dad and coaches along the way in my playing career - is what I enjoy the most. Making connections that last a lifetime.”

Jones-Sitzmann has seen her love for a sport come full circle with her son, Jackson, now a member of the Mustang men’s golf team.

“We were going through the recruiting process when he was almost done with his high school career at Bishop Heelan. Jackson got in the car after a visit and said ‘Mom, I don’t need any more visits. Morningside is home. It’s our family.’ Now, I see him connecting within golf here and in other ways. It’s a lot like what I did. It’s awesome to see him having that love of something. I can’t wait to see where it takes him.”

It’s the connections like those her son has found at Morningside that are the invisible threads connecting the photos covering the walls of Jones-Sitzmann’s office.

“During meetings, current and incoming players will ask me, ‘How do we get our pictures up there?’ I tell them it’s not just about being all-conference or All-American, getting the statistics, and so forth. It’s just people who have touched my life in different ways. I do have to rotate them out, though, or I’d probably cave in the walls of my office.”

While the softball diamond has been the place where so many memories and dreams have been captured in photos throughout Jones-Sitzmann’s softball career, it is the lifetime of connections that are the real gem.

#ROLLSIDE

Morningside athletics is no stranger to accolades. A complete listing of the incredible accomplishments of our student athletes and coaches would undoubtedly go on for pages, so here are a few first-time athletic achievements that shined bright in the crown of our athletic department this year.



Football

After a huge 2018, the Mustangs kept the fires alive in 2019, posting its longest ever win streak (28-0/29-0), and winning back-to-back national championships



Men’s & women’s golf both capture GPAC championships

Men’s and women’s golf have both become powerhouses, and the evidence showed brightly when both teams earned GPAC conference championship banners last spring.



Men’s soccer earns its first GPAC title

Men’s soccer posted a historic season in 2019, finishing 18-4 overall and 10-1 in the GPAC and earning their first ever GPAC championship title along the way.



Esports

In the third week of November, Morningside’s League of Legends team captured an inaugural title for the burgeoning program.



We have no doubt that athletics will keep us **#MsideProud** in 2020.

From Morningside to Medicine

"Most of my friends were from my teams and being involved kept me busy and focused, especially during my senior year as I prepared for graduation, applied for medical school, and played softball and golf," she says. "Now, as I work alongside nurses, therapists, techs, and administrators, I'm confident that I can work well on a team and be a leader."





“Medicine is a lifelong commitment to your patients and to continue growing and learning,” says Cara Drew (DeStiger) ’09, a family medicine physician in Sioux City. Cara started her commitment to medicine as a biology major and chemistry minor at Morningside where she was also a member of the women’s volleyball, softball, and golf teams. Looking back at her time at Morningside, Cara says that balancing her academic and athletic responsibilities in college served her well in medical school and as a practicing physician.

Many student-athletes will attest that being involved in athletics during college is a great way to meet new people, practice discipline, and learn to work as a team. That was definitely true in Cara’s case, and she says the lessons she learned in sports have made her an effective healthcare provider and leader.

“Most of my friends were from my teams and being involved kept me busy and focused, especially during my senior year as I prepared for graduation, applied for medical school, and played softball and golf,” she says. “Now, as I work alongside nurses, therapists, techs, and administrators, I’m confident that I can work well on a team and be a leader.”

Cara’s experiences in the classroom also prepared her for the challenges of medicine. With rigorous coursework, hands-on learning opportunities, and the support of her professors, Cara felt so ready that she actually found the first year of medical school easier than expected thanks to the tough biochemistry and anatomy classes at Morningside. “It was so easy to find the right person to talk to when I had a question or wanted to try something new,” she says. “I felt like I could do anything and would have the support to make it happen. I don’t think I would’ve gotten that at a big school.”

After graduating from the University of South Dakota Sanford School of Medicine, Cara returned to her hometown of Sioux City to work at the Siouxland Medical Education Foundation, the only residency program in Northwest Iowa. Here, Cara provides care for patients of all ages and mentors resident physicians as they prepare to enter the field.

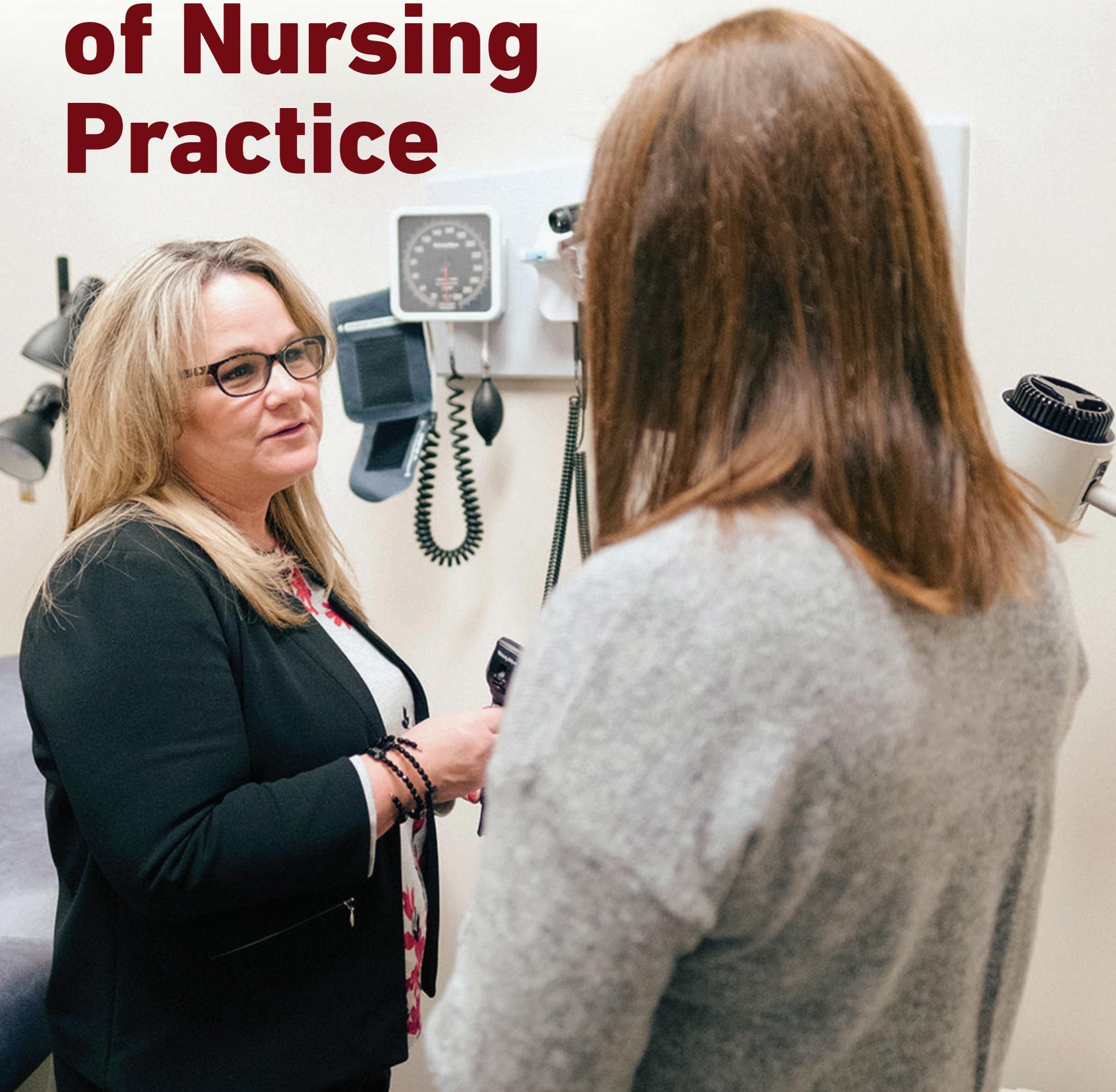
“To provide care and serve patients from birth to death is a very rewarding experience.”

Family medicine physicians are in high demand, and both rural and non-rural areas need physicians that serve a full spectrum of patients. In 2019, the American Association of Medical Colleges found that the U.S. will see a shortage of nearly 122,000 physicians by 2032 as demand for physicians grows faster than the supply. While there’s no simple solution to this issue, Cara thinks that providing opportunities for students to hear from and connect with healthcare professionals early in their college careers could help pique interest and encourage more students to pursue careers in family medicine. For students interested in medicine, Cara says there’s more to preparing for medical school than getting good grades. “It’s about actively showing your interest in medicine. Graduate schools want to see good grades, but they also want to see a well-rounded individual that can balance multiple tasks and be engaged with their community.”

A decade after walking across the graduation stage at Morningside, Cara is still thankful for the support of her friends, family, and the professors at Morningside for supporting her commitment to medicine. “To provide care and serve patients from birth to death is a very rewarding experience.”

MORNINGSIDE'S FIRST-EVER DOCTORAL PROGRAM

Doctor of Nursing Practice



In the fall of 2019, Morningside revealed that it would begin offering classes for its first-ever doctoral program - the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). Delivered primarily online and featuring tracks in Direct Patient Care and Transformative Leadership, Morningside opened the door for working nurses seeking advancement to take the next step in their career.

But what exactly is a DNP? And why should nurses consider it? According to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the DNP is designed to prepare nurses to meet the ever-changing demands of the healthcare industry, the growing complexity of patient care, and concerns about the quality of care and patient safety. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the growth rate for nurse practitioners with graduate education is expected to grow by 26% between now and 2028, a demand largely driven by the need for healthcare professionals like family nurse practitioners to supplement the shortage of family doctors and by the desire to improve health and safety outcomes for patients. In other words, the healthcare industry has a fever and the prescription is more nurses with a DNP.

Jackie Barber, dean of Morningside's Nysten School of Nursing, says a DNP can help nurses become leaders in their field and fill the need for healthcare practitioners, especially in rural areas where hospitals and clinics may be few and far between. In addition to these needs, adding a DNP program was the natural next step for Morningside's renowned nursing program which already offers a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) and Master of Science in Nursing (MSN).

Both tracks in Morningside's DNP program offer unique opportunities for nurses looking to grow in their practice and advance their career. Direct Patient Care is for nurses who want to be Family Primary Care Nurse Practitioners, Adult Gerontology Nurse Practitioners, or those who are already Advanced Practice Registered Nurses. This means that they would provide care for acute and chronic conditions, health promotion, and coordination of patient care.

The Transformative Leadership track is designed for nurses interested in pursuing or already working in leadership or teaching positions. In these roles, nurses can help drive healthcare change through action and collaboration with leaders in their field concerning policy, public health, patient safety, and more. Both tracks provide the opportunity for nurses to make an impact in their field and influence positive change for the healthcare industry.

"Like our other nursing programs, our DNP program will set high standards of excellence in nursing education that will benefit our community and the healthcare industry as a whole," said Barber in the announcement for the program. "Adding the DNP will also encourage more of our students to consider an advanced nursing degree because they will have the ability to seamlessly continue their education right here at Morningside."

The opportunity to complete a nursing education from BSN to DNP is invaluable and in-demand as more nurses pursue their terminal degree. With innovative curriculum and one-on-one mentoring delivered in an online course format, Morningside's DNP program is designed to be accessible for working nurses with full schedules. The curriculum focuses on step-by-step application of relevant concepts to today's nursing practice, and the courses encourage collaboration between faculty and students with adaptive plans of study individually tailored to student needs. This level of personalized attention can be rare to find, but it's a common occurrence at Morningside.

"Morningside's DNP program maintains that small school feeling of personal faculty support and connection that its on-campus programs have," says Amanda Haverhals '03, a student in the DNP program and assistant professor of nursing



NYLEN SCHOOL OF NURSING



“Morningside’s DNP program maintains that small school feeling of personal faculty support and connection that its on-campus programs have.”

at Morningside. Haverhals chose to pursue her DNP at Morningside to strengthen her knowledge of the practice and grow as an educator.

“I chose Morningside’s DNP program because it prepares nurse leaders at the highest level to translate research into practice. As a nursing educator, I am preparing BSN students to become practicing nurses and understanding how to drive healthcare improvements, navigate policy changes, and participating in scholarship will improve my ability to teach the next generation of nurses in the field.”

Now that the program is up and running, Barber is looking ahead to the future of nursing at Morningside with the goal of making the Morningside Nylene School of Nursing the first choice for nurses looking to continue their education. She sees the creation of new track offerings that meet the changing demands of healthcare as a crucial part of this evolution, including pathways like RN-MSN and specialized content like certifications and micro-credentials.

“I hope that our program can meet nurses at every point in their professional career and provide opportunities to expand their body of knowledge to impact practice,” says Barber. “By providing different pathways for nurses to achieve their career goals in a seamless, efficient, and quality manner that is personalized to each student, we can empower nursing students and practicing nurses to make a difference in the field and the classroom.”

Did You Know...

Morningside awarded its first Bachelor of Nursing degree in 1935 and cadet nurses from Lutheran and Methodist hospitals began training at Morningside starting in March of 1940 with their course of study leading to a Bachelor of Science degree and Registered Nurse certification.



BE PART OF

Morningside Madness

MARCH 18-19



By JJ Marlow

As basketball fans around the country await the arrival of March Madness, our Institutional Advancement team is also anxiously anticipating mid-March for the arrival of our fourth annual 36-hour live fundraising event, Morningside Madness, from Wednesday, March 18 to Thursday, March 19, 2020.

For our team, these two days are critical. The dollars earned, the energy, the excitement – it's all for our students. The gifts we receive ensure we can make the Morningside experience everything it has always been and more.

***To do this, we have two big goals:
reach 600 donors with gifts
totaling at least \$100,000***

To achieve these marks, we need your help. A gift of any size during this 36-hour period goes a long way, and we also have a number of other ways you can get involved.



GET LOUD and #MSIDEPROUD

on March 18 and 19!

You can help make this the best
Morningside Madness yet!

Contact JJ Marlow at marlow@morningside.edu
or 712-274-5424 to find out how you can be
a part of the excitement.

Be part of the **MADNESS!**

Participate in a Challenge

Challenges are set up by generous donors and may honor an individual, a program, a graduating class, or other specific aspects of Morningside. Typically, a challenge will double your gift, so keep an eye out for your favorite challenge(s) at msidemadness.com. Interested in setting up a challenge to inspire others to give? We would love to hear from you.

Volunteer to be a Social Ambassador

We need people to help us spread the word about Morningside Madness on social media. Use your networks to challenge your friends to join in the fun!

Volunteer as a Caller

Make calls at home or come visit us here on campus. People give to people, so having alumni like you make calls to other Morningsiders makes a huge difference in getting us to our goals. We look forward to helping you create your call list.

Make a Gift

At the end of the day, gifts make or break our success during Morningside Madness. We need many people giving, and we need a big total. Your gift at msidemadness.com helps get us there. We are grateful for anything you can do to help Morningside continue to provide an exceptional experience for our students.

#MSIDEPROUD

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

New faculty



Stacey Alex, Ph.D., assistant professor of Spanish, previously taught middle school and high school English as a Second Language (ESL) and Spanish in West Liberty, Iowa, and

directed an ESL program in Maracaibo, Venezuela.



Kathy Knitig, Ph.D., is an associate professor of graduate nursing in Morningside's Nylen School of Nursing. She received her degrees at Southwestern College and South

Dakota State University.



Kati Meyer, Ph.D., assistant professor of performing arts, has held teaching positions at Northwestern University, the University of Iowa,

Briar Cliff University, and San Jacinto College.



Shelby Prindaville, M.F.A., head of the visual arts department, associate professor of art, and director of the Helen Levitt Art Gallery; earned her master's

degree from Louisiana State University in painting and drawing and her B.A. from the University of Pennsylvania in fine art with a sculpture concentration.

New appointments



Caroline Black, area coordinator.



Mary Black, graduate education adviser.



Elizabeth Bohlmann 2018, admissions counselor.



Cassie (Burnside) Chilton 2014, admissions counselor.



Carly Hanson 2014, associate vice president for marketing and communications.



Michael McLaughlin, head tennis coach.

Chris Spicer was recently named vice president for academic affairs at Morningside College. He has been in this role since William Deeds retired as provost in May 2019. Spicer is responsible for all aspects of academic affairs, including strategic planning, budgeting, and hiring and developing faculty and academic administrators. He serves as chief academic officer and is a member of the senior leadership team.



Spicer previously served 10 years on the faculty at Morningside College, most recently as an associate professor of mathematics.

Erin Edlund was named vice president for marketing and communication in June 2019. Communication was added to her responsibilities following Rick Wollman's retirement. She is responsible for all marketing, public relations, publications, digital presence, and related efforts at Morningside and is part of the senior leadership team.



Edlund joined Morningside as the VP for marketing in February 2018. Prior to that, she served in a variety of roles at several campuses within the Minnesota State system, as well as at its system office.

Thompson Staff Excellence Awards

The Thomas S. Thompson Staff Excellence Awards were established in 2003 to reward outstanding dedication, service, and commitment to Morningside College.



Laretta Shaver, copy center and mailroom technician, is an always reliable, always trustworthy colleague who has helped most everyone on campus out of a jam at one time or another. She's an organized and attentive employee who sees to the details no one else thinks of, and is always one of the first to volunteer for commencement and other campus events.



Betsy Chilton, assistant director of admissions, is a driving force behind Morningside's incredible admissions team. She's passionate about her work and respected by her peers for her diligence, energy, and mindfulness. She not only assists students in finding their way to Morningside, but also manages the Morningside Student Ambassador program – a vital arm of the admissions team.



Alex Watters, career development specialist, is trusted counsel for many students, represents Morningside well as an alumnus, and is an incredible advocate for and fixture in the Sioux City community. He has been key in building experiential learning opportunities on campus and helping to implement and advance X Path, Morningside's version of undecided. Additionally, Alex has been a great fan and citizen, always making time to be present at games and events.



Sheri Hineman, director of residence life, has worked tirelessly and without complaint despite being short-staffed for much of the last year. She has proven herself to be a firm and fair leader, helping to enforce policy, while also acting as a great mentor to both new employees and students. She is a constant professional, an incredible source of support for students, and a dedicated employee.



Kim Sangwin, director of web development and digital strategy, took on many extra hours and expended much energy to help oversee the on-campus build and launch of a new morningside.edu. In her work, she showed that she is thoughtful with decisions, considerate with resources, innovative in her thinking, and mission-centered in approaching opportunities and challenges.



EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Jackie Barber, dean of nursing, has moved mountains in her role. She is a respected and well-regarded professional in her field with proven talent and reliability. Colleagues love working with her, outside parties are always enamored of her, and she has done much to bring excellence to Morningside's academics – including making history by overseeing the launch of Morningside's first doctoral program, the Doctor of Nursing Practice.



Steve Ryan named top football coach in NAIA

For the third time in his career, Morningside College head football coach Steve Ryan has been named the top coach in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) by the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA). Ryan is one of five NAIA coaches to have earned this accolade two or more times and is also a nine-time AFCA Regional Coach of the Year winner.

Dr. William C. Yockey Assessment Awards

Two Morningside College faculty members and one academic program have received the Dr. William C. Yockey Assessment Awards, which annually recognize outstanding efforts to improve student learning at Morningside.

Faculty members who received awards for courses they teach were Dr. Jessica LaPaglia, associate professor of psychology, for her improvements to her general psychology course and Dr. Anni Moore, associate professor of biology, for her use of formative assessment to improve lab competencies for students in her microbiology course.

The Applied Agriculture and Food Studies program was the recipient of the Yockey Programmatic Assessment Award. Faculty in the program made improvements to their assessment rubric, learning outcomes, and enhanced the student learning experience with their work.

Each award comes with a \$2,500 cash prize, which covered assessment of student learning conducted at Morningside.

The family of the late Dr. William C. Yockey, a 1949 Morningside graduate and a chemistry professor at the college for more than 30 years, established the awards in his name.



Jessica LaPaglia



Anni Moore



The Sharon Walker Faculty Excellence Awards

The Sharon Walker Faculty Excellence Awards were established in 2003 by Morningside alumni Jim and Sharon Walker. Outside evaluators select the recipients. Criteria for selection include teaching excellence, effective advising, scholarship, and service to Morningside College. The awards are based upon the accomplishments and activities of a faculty member during the previous academic year.



Dr. Shannon Claxton is an assistant professor of psychology who joined the faculty in 2015. During her time on campus, she has managed to strike an impressive balance of excellence in the classroom, her discipline, and serving the college through her faculty role. She is exceptionally well-prepared for classroom interaction and offers a positive and uplifting demeanor when working with students. She serves on the Curriculum Policy and Assessment Committee, is Assessment Chair for her department, and helped to secure an important grant. She also directed the second-year experience for Psychology and Social & Behavioral Science.



Dr. Greg Guelcher is a professor of history who arrived at Morningside in 1996. His personal teaching philosophy is that education must be made personal to be effective, which he accomplishes by creating a classroom environment where students are not only engaged, but eager to have discussions. He recently pursued studies in alternative avenues of learning for his students, is active with professional organizations and conferences, writes scholarly chapters for books, and reviews other scholarly works. Additionally, he serves on seven committees, co-chairing or chairing three of them; is a judge for the Palmer Research Symposium; and serves as an academic adviser to five student clubs or organizations.



Dr. Leslie Werden has been part of the Morningside faculty since 2006 as a professor of English. Described by evaluators as “displaying a healthy irreverence for the stodgy and tired,” Leslie has brought a great energy to Morningside through her work. She provides students with an inspiring classroom environment, using wit and charm to captivate and engage them. She is deeply involved with numerous committees, provides support to many student organizations and projects, and serves as the faculty representative to the Morningside College Board of Directors. Additionally, she is active in Siouland and nationally, offering her own talents and professional insights in a variety of capacities.

1965

Dr. Arlie Daniel, a former East Central University Professor was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award from Marquis Who's Who in recognition of his many years of experience and noted achievements.

Charlene Gengler has retired as the administration assistant of Mercy Medical Center in Sioux City.

1970

Linda (Fleenor) McQueen of Solider, Iowa, is a retired middle school teacher and proud grandma to Olive Marie and Hazel Jolin.

1976

Lynn Ubben, the former Perry Superintendent in Perry, Iowa, received an IHSAA Administrator Award during the halftime of a Class 4A Boys State Basketball Championship.

1977

Nancy Davis has instructed English and ESL courses with Western Iowa Tech Community College in Sioux City, Iowa, for thirteen years.

1979

Kent Handel, president and CEO of Trust Point, Inc., spoke as part of the Viterbo University Leadership at Noon series.

1980

Kent Willnauer retired from his position as a senior investigator in asset protection with AT&T in Kansas City, MO, where he served for 20 years. Prior to working for AT&T, Willnauer worked 20 years as a deputy sheriff with the Johnson County Sheriff's Office in Olathe, Kan.

1981

Mark Faber is the president of Wallace Casaell, Inc. in Inwood, Iowa.

1983

Jim Iversen has been promoted to president of Rio Grande Co. in Denver, Colo, which supplies building materials to contractors throughout the area. He has been with Rio Grande Co. for 14 years, previously serving as vice president for the residential products division. He also serves on the board of the Home Builders Foundation. He has been married to his wife, Carollee, for 34 years, and has three adult children and two (soon to be three) grandchildren.

Thomas Warren and his wife, Aileen, were honored as the Omaha Press Club's 160th Face on the Barroom Floor in recognition of the incredible mark they left on their community over three decades. Thomas has served as president and CEO of the Urban League of Nebraska since 2008 after retiring from a 24-year career with the Omaha Police Department, of which he served the last four years as chief of police.

1986

Jon Buck is owner and lead consultant to InUnity Ingenuity LLC in Sioux City, Iowa, providing unique solutions to business challenges with his expertise in creating structure, strategy, and insight to business problems.

1988

Todd Koos is a physical therapist at The Physical Therapy Center in Monroe, N.C.

1991

Luis Diaz is an assets director at Gulf Coast Center in Alvin, Texas.

1992

Ed Voloshen was promoted from lieutenant to captain of the Sioux City Fire Rescue Department.

1994

Jeffrey Thelander accepted the position of superintendent at Maple Valley-Anthon Oto School District.

1962

Katherine McLaren enjoyed attending the Morningside School of Visual and Performing Arts Culmination of Distinguished Achievement event during the 2019 homecoming weekend. During her visit to campus, she had the pleasure of seeing a photo of her great-grandfather Dr. William Brush, the second president of the University of the Northwest, who hired Lillian Dimmitt during his presidency.

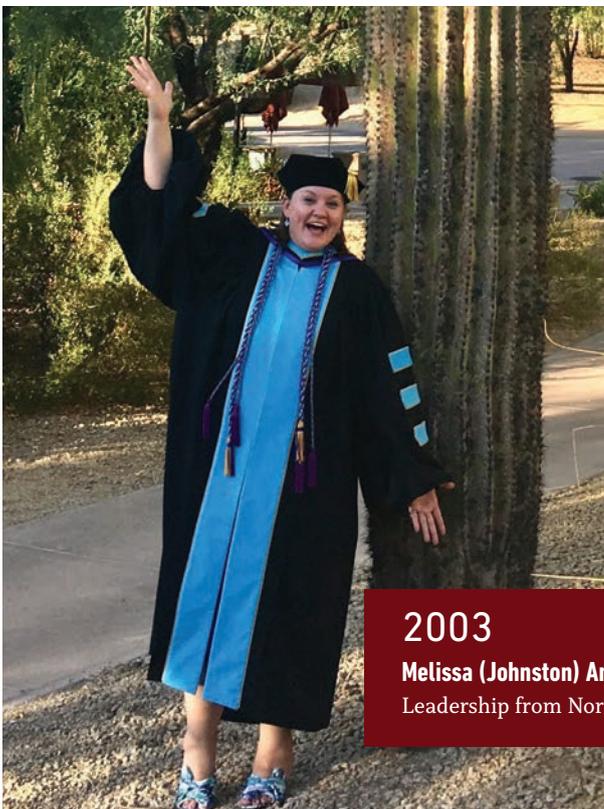
1995

Cory Lampe is the Humboldt County, Iowa, chief deputy, following in the footsteps of his father, Bob, who was county sheriff in Pocahontas County until his retirement. He also has a brother, Travis, who is a deputy with the Palo Alto County Sheriff's Office.

1996

Kim Kelly is a healthcare account manager at IP Pathways in Omaha, Neb. She has 25 years of quality sales experience within the medical device, diagnostic service, and pharmaceutical arenas.

Mark Lane was named the Iowa 2019 Central Office Administrator of the Year by the School Administrators of Iowa while working as the associate superintendent of human relations and operations in the Urbandale



2003

Melissa (Johnston) Amen, earned a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership from Northcentral University in March 2019.

2008

Megan Benson is teaching fifth grade reading and language arts at Manor Hall International School in Al Ain, the United Arab Emirates' fourth-largest city.

Community School District. He also accepted a new position as superintendent of the Decorah School District.

Dawn Stansbury is an assessment coordinator for Westat-NAEP, assisting schools in preparing for the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress).

2000

Jeff Wright is a public defender for the Office of the State Public Defender in Des Moines, Iowa. He was appointed as chair of the Iowa Board of Parole in January 2018. He was admitted to the Iowa Bar in 2006 and later founded the Carr & Wright Law Office.



2001

Nicholas Nelson is an advisor at RBC Wealth Management in Dakota Dunes, S.D.

2003

Melissa (Johnston) Amen, earned a Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership from Northcentral University in March 2019.

Tavia Malone is director of finance & administration for the Cambridge Center for Adult Education in Cambridge, Mass.

2004

Adrienne Rochleau was recognized as the 2019 Morningside College Nursing Alumna of the Year and received the award at Morningside's 37th Annual Maud Adams Nursing Research Day, where she was the keynote speaker for the event. Adrienne was also recognized by the Nebraska Action Coalition as being of 40 recipients receiving the "40 under 40" award. She is currently the nurse anesthesia assistant program director at Clarkson College in Omaha, Neb.

2005

Lee Fiddler has taken a position in business banking at Great Western Bank in Lincoln, Neb.

2006

Elizabeth Frankenstein is the director of student development, secondary programs, and transition at Northwest Community College in Sheldon, Iowa.

2007

David Clabaugh is the assistant store manager at Mills Fleet Farm in Sioux City, Iowa.

2008

Tiffany (Pribyl) Lafrentz is a teaching and learning consultant with Omaha Public Schools in Omaha, Neb.

Grant Leavitt, vice president of Marcus Lumber Co., was elected chairman of the Iowa Lumber Association Board of Trustees. Grant also serves on the ILA Legislative Committee, as president of the Marcus Economic Development Corp, as a board member for Allied Distribution, and is a Financial Peace University coordinator.

Brian Schekirke was promoted to student services manager at UIC Global in Chicago, Ill.

2009

David Briese is an associate attorney at Crary Huff Law Firm in Sioux City, Iowa.

Ryan Oetken owns Ryan Oetken Family Dentistry in Dubuque, Iowa.

Katherine Smith-Harris began a new position as a therapist at Jackson Recovery in Le Mars, Iowa.

Tiffanie Zaugg is assistive technology coordinator with Prairie Lakes AEA and the lead for students with significant disabilities. She has been recognized for her work and support in the area of assistive technology at the Assistive Technology Industry Association Conference in Orlando, Fla.

2010

Jordan Hunter has started a new position as sales representative with Johnson Brothers Liquor Co. in Sioux City, Iowa.

2011

Leslie Foral has been named the new head volleyball coach at Scottsbluff High School in Scottsbluff, Neb.

Ashley Runge is a secondary mathematics teacher, cross country and archery coach, and theatre technical director at Siouxland Christian School in Sioux City, Iowa.

2012

Heather Brown is a grants bookkeeper in finance for Youth and Shelter Services (TSS) in Ames, Iowa.

Cassandra Eagen is a teacher-classroom strategist at College View Elementary in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Katherine Heine is the director of the Chamber of Commerce in Vermillion, S.D., where she and her husband, Luke, reside with their son, Max; daughter, Atleigh; and dog, Penny.

Luis Lemus was selected as the Sioux City Community School District Teacher of the Year. Luis is a dual language teacher at Irving Dual Language Elementary in Sioux City, Iowa.

Ana Miranda has started a new position as a mental health therapist at Center for Child Counseling Inc. in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

2013

Taylor Davis is the Northern Iowa program manager at Mosaic in Forest City, Iowa.

Cory Derochie was promoted to general sales manager at Hendrick Automotive Group in Kansas City, Kan.

Hayley Gabriel is a graduate student and graduate student assistant at Cleveland State University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Jamison Parkhill is associate head coach of the men's and women's soccer teams at Nebraska Christian College in Papillion, Neb.

2014

Sara Fitzgerald has accepted a new position with Feelhaver Elementary School for fall 2019.

Nathan Giffin has started a new position as account manager at Celebrity Staff in Omaha, Neb.

Tasha Goodvin was promoted to marketing admissions specialist at Morningside College.

Carly Hanson was named associate vice president of marketing and communication at Morningside College.

Emily Parkhill is a social studies teacher at Saint Albert Catholic School in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Alex Sheppard is an attorney at DeVaughn James, LLC in Wichita, Kan.

Trevor Strong is a defensive coordinator at Southwestern College in Wichita, Kan.

Patrick Whitsell is a security engineer for Google in New York, N.Y.

2015

Jessie Byrnes and **Alyssa Turnquist 2016** teamed with Morningside Professor Chris Spicer to complete work on the "Sheldon Conjecture," which has received worldwide attention in its attempt to prove a claim made on the hit show Big Bang Theory. See the story in this issue of The Morningsider for the full story.

Taylor McCloskey passed the Iowa Bar exam in July 2019 and began as legal counsel at National Indemnity Company.

Jared Simonson is a graphic designer at Quad Design in Sidney, Iowa.

2016

Paige McKern was promoted to branch manager at Enterprise Rent-A-Car in Des Moines, Iowa.

2017

Makayla Augustine is a law clerk at Spaulding & Shaull, P.L.C. in Des Moines, Iowa.

Erin Parker was hired as the new program manager for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mahaska County.

Alexis Wise was promoted to front desk lead at Ameristar Casino Hotel in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

2018

Erick Carrillo is a production supervisor at Seaboard Triumph Foods in Sioux City, Iowa.

Lynsey Fuller has started a new position as senior account manager for Barton Associates Inc. in Palm Beach, Fla.

Gregory Kirwan is an independent healthcare agent at Kirwan Agency in Sioux City, Iowa, and is licensed in life and health insurance in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

Lauren Roberg is the children's ministry director at Elevate Community Church in Sioux City, Iowa.

Cody Selig is a Commercial Loan Officer at Central Bank in Sioux City, Iowa.

2019

Dominic Johnson is the Adair County, Iowa, conservation director.

NEWLYWEDS

1997

Karen (Vanderloo) Gagnon and Robert Wiese, Nov. 1, 2019. At home near LeMars, Iowa.

2005

Josh Widman and Kristel Nelson, at Central Baptist Church in Sioux City, Iowa.

2009

Katherine Smith and Bradley Harris, June 28, 2013. Sacred Heart Church, Sioux City, Iowa. At home in Sioux City, Iowa.

2011

Heather Nielsen and Jacob Appel, Sept. 30, 2017. At home in Ankeny, Iowa.

2012

Jessica Boschen and Mike Kroeger, May 25, 2019. At home in Norfolk, Neb.

Kyle Eagen and **Cassandra Scoblic**, Sept. 15, 2018. Lewis & Clark Resort, Yankton, S.D. At home in Omaha, Neb.

2013

Jared Goforth and **Kaitlin Gerber**, Aug. 17, 2019, in Worthington, Minn. At home in Owatonna, Minn.

2014

Alexandra Hirt and Michael Ferritto, Sept. 15, 2018. North Platte, S.D. At home in Kansas City, Mo.

Josh and Kristel Widman



Heather and Jacob Appel



Jessica and Mike Kroeger



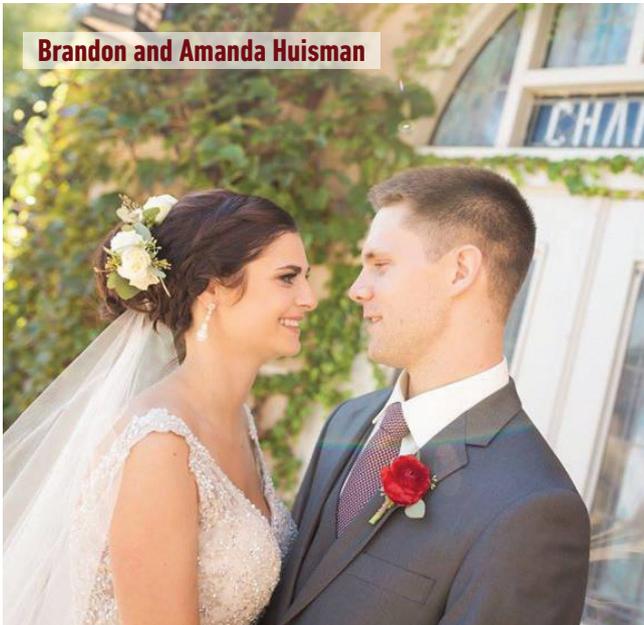
Jared and Kaitlin Goforth



Adam and Ashtyn Ackerman



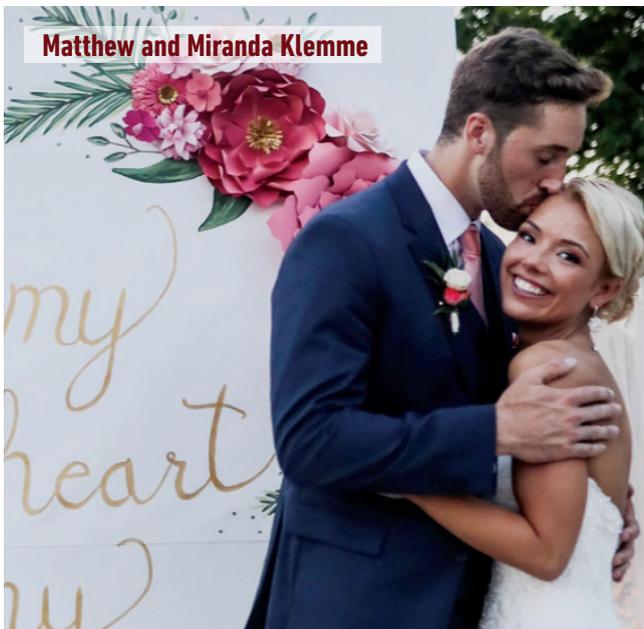
Brandon and Amanda Huisman



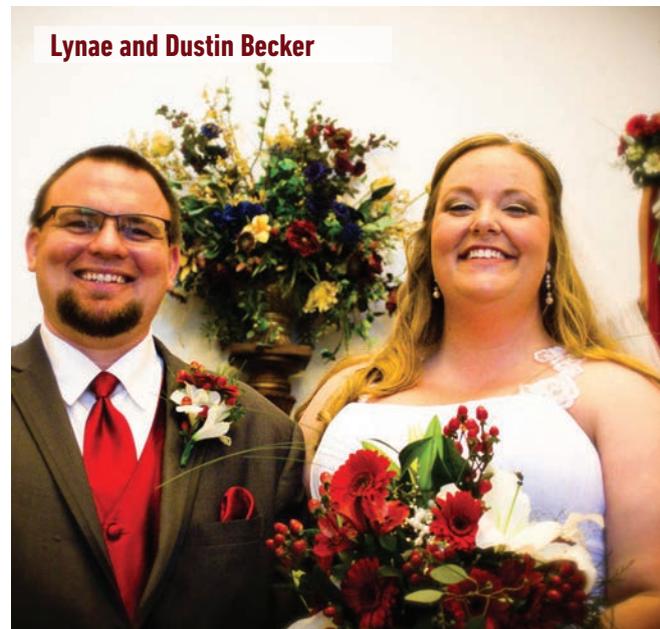
Alec and Aletheia DeVries



Matthew and Miranda Klemme

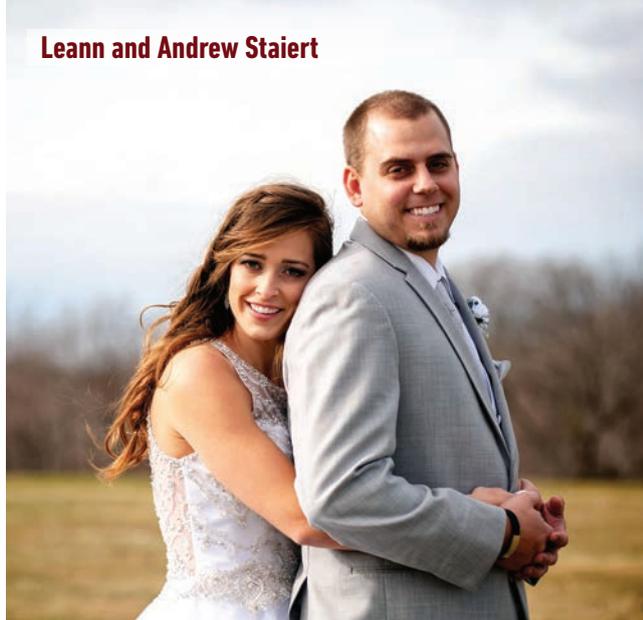


Lynae and Dustin Becker



Leann and Andrew Staiert

Leann Osten and **Andrew Staiert** 2015, Nov. 24, 2018. Church of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, Sioux City, Iowa. At home in Sioux City, Iowa.



2015

Ryan Daniels and **MacKenzie Albright** (2017), Nov. 10, 2017. Sioux City Community Theatre, Sioux City, Iowa. At home in Sioux City, Iowa.

Brandon Huisman and **Amanda LaCour**, Oct. 7, 2017, in Omaha, Neb. At home in Valley, Neb.

Lynae Toom and Dustin Becker, May 18, 2019. At home in Edwardsville, Kan.

2016

Hunter Renn and **Sarah Yankowski** (2016), Oct. 20, 2018. Sapphire Point Overlook, Breckenridge, Colo. At home in Colorado Springs, Colo.



2017

Adam Ackerman and **Ashtyn Schubert**, June 8, 2019. At home in Sioux City, Iowa.

Alec DeVries and Aletheia Burritt, June 29, 2019, in Upland, Ind. At home in Fort Wayne, Ind.

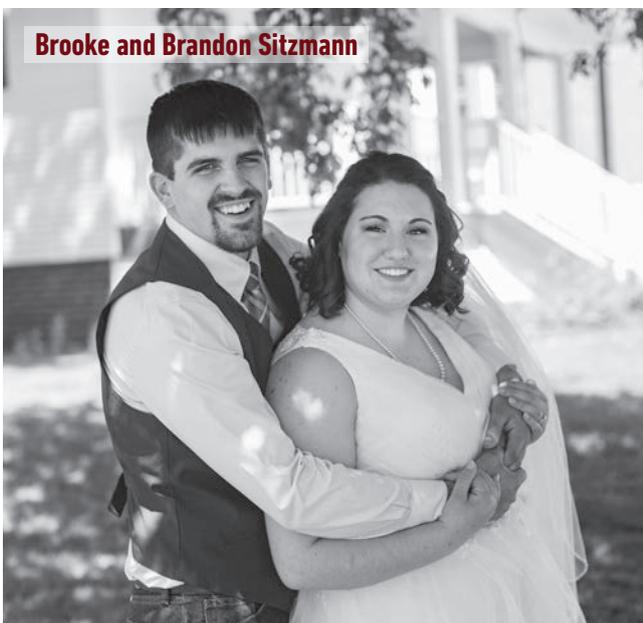
Matthew Klemme and **Miranda Shipley** 2019, June 29, 2019. At home in West Des Moines, Iowa.

"Morningside will forever be so special to us, where our story began and where we met the most amazing friends and people."

*Matthew Klemme 2017 and
Miranda (Shipley) Klemme 2019*

2019

Brooke Riordan and **Brandon Sitzmann**, May 25, 2019. At home in Remsen, Iowa.

Brooke and Brandon Sitzmann

FUTURE MSIDERS

1988

Michael Tramp and his wife Megan, South Sioux City, Neb., a daughter, Abigail Anne, Jan. 8, 2019.

2001

Meredith (Waldo) Calvert and her husband, Jarrod, Indianola, Iowa, a daughter, Everleigh Dawn, Sept. 23, 2019.

2004

Ginny (Eberly) Stansberry and Michael Stansberry welcomed a baby boy named DJ on May 15, 2019.

2008

Grant and **Brandi (Shipler) Wittstruck** 2007, Panama City Beach, Fla., a son, Bryce Clayton, June 6, 2019.

2009

Jeremy and **Tiffany (Pribyl) Lafrentz** 2008, Underwood, Iowa, a daughter, Alyson Diane, Oct. 28, 2019.

Wyeth and **Mrs. Breanne (Evans) Lynch**, Sioux Falls, S.D., a son, Wallace Evans, May 6, 2018.

Autumn Shobe and her husband, Brad, a son, Arlan Bartel, Jan. 10, 2019.

2011

Marshall and **Megan (Mosher) Tuttle**, West Des Moines, Iowa, a daughter, Ellie Elizabeth, Dec. 23, 2018.

2013

Taylor Davis, a daughter, Kinley Marie, 2017.

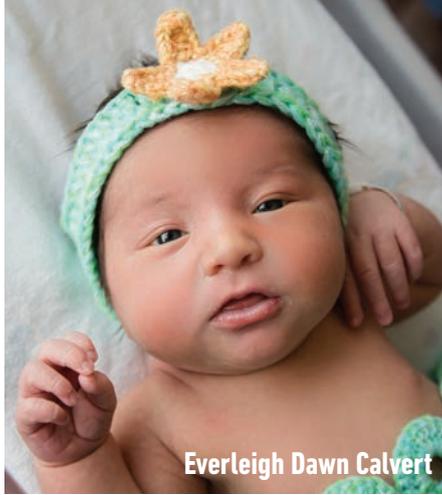
Jamison and **Emily (Greenlee) Parkhill** 2014, Council Bluffs, Iowa, a boy, Charlie, March 28, 2019.

2016

Jared McCoy and his wife, Karlie, Nashville, Tenn., a son, Vander Jay, Oct. 18, 2019.

2018

Shaley McDermott and Michael Morse, Sioux City, Iowa, a daughter, Kynlee Morse, July 5, 2018.



Everleigh Dawn Calvert



Bryce Clayton Wittstruck



The McCoy's



The Parkhills



Alyson Lafrentz



Kinley Marie Davis



DJ Stansberry

IN LOVING MEMORY

1940

Mildred Ethel (Tolles) Poelstra Armentrout, Sioux Falls, S.D., died June 20, 2013.

1943

Ruth Harriett (Swanson) Gibson, San Francisco, Calif., died Jan. 29, 2018.

1944

Dorothy J. (Sorenson) Clark, Sioux City, Iowa, died July 27, 2019.

Luella Cozad, Rapid City, S.D., died April 17, 2019.

1945

Edith Carolyn (Rutledge) Woodke, Milford, Iowa, Sept. 16, 2019

1946

Beverly (Rehnbloom) Miller, Colorado Springs, Colo., died Feb. 6, 2019.

Dr. Ted Welton, Loleta, Calif., died Feb. 26, 2019.

1948

Jean R. (Pickering) Culver, Sioux City, IA, died Dec. 2, 2019.

Norma Jensen, Pisgah, Iowa, died March 13, 2019.

Ralph L. Wickstrom, Ripon, WI, died Dec. 13, 2019.

1949

Don D. Goodenow, Spirit Lake, Iowa, died Oct. 28, 2019.

Jack D. Krusenstjerna, Spirit Lake, Iowa, died Aug. 20, 2019.

Beverly J. (Barks) Muma-Blahnik, Oregon, WI, died Jan. 8, 2019.

1950

Donald Baugous, Lincoln, Neb., died Jan. 3, 2019.

Billy B. Bennett, Tustin, Calif., died May 17, 2012.

Dr. Diane G. Doherty, Savage, Minn., died Jan. 25, 2018.

Keith Erps, Tucson, Ariz., died June 18, 2003.

Robert G. Murray, Eagle, ID, died Sept. 23, 2016.

Barbara (Williams) Murray, Eagle, ID, died Dec. 23, 2019.

Harold Ruth, Jefferson, Iowa, died Dec. 4, 2012.

Byron Glenn Spear, Albert Lea, Minn., died Oct. 4, 2019.

Kenneth "Ken" Stephens, Grimes, Iowa, died Sept. 28, 2017.

1951

Harry C. Kouris, Sioux City, IA, died Dec. 3, 2019.

1952

Kenneth File, Cherokee, Iowa, died June 20, 2019. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in education. He was initially a teacher and coach, then later pursued a lifetime career with New York Life Insurance. He was preceded in death by his wife, Byrla,

and daughter, Dana Kies. He leaves to cherish his memory five daughters, nine grandchildren, and nineteen great-grandchildren.

Dale Hill, Fort Myers, Fla., died May 20, 2018.

Fred "Fritz" Lettau Jr., Sioux City, Iowa, died Aug. 16, 2019.

Charles P. McNutt, Grand Junction, Colo., died April 21, 2016.

1953

Rev. Donald L. Carver, Cedar Falls, Iowa, died Aug. 26, 2019.

Shirleen Cecelia (Nystedt) Madden, Portland, Ore., died April 24, 2016.

Robert E. Petersen, Sioux City, Iowa, died March 9, 2019.

1954

Richard John Davis, Glendale, Ariz., died Nov. 4, 2019.

1955

William "Bill" D. Brown, Mount Vernon, Wash., died Aug. 15, 2019.

1956

Robert E. Wilson, Sun Lakes, Ariz., died Sept. 4, 2018.

1957

Janet J. (Ankerstjerne) Gaukel, Bloomington, Minn., died July 12, 2019.

George Nassiff, Sioux City, Iowa, died Nov. 2, 2019.

Gerald James Rager, Hoschton, Ga., died Sept. 29, 2019.

1958

Shirley Ann (Higley) Christianson, Lake Mills, Iowa, died Sept. 16, 2019.

John L. Schneiders, Urbandale, Iowa, died March 22, 2019. Rev. Alvin Trucano, Rushville, Neb., died March 9, 2019.

William L. Vigen, Kalamazoo, Mich., died June 8, 2017.

1959

Dr. Daniel A. Bergma, Ogden, UT, died December 30, 2019.

Frances D. Bramson, Verona, died Aug. 11, 2010.

Gary L. Caldwell, Omaha, Neb., died Feb. 17, 2009.

Claude H. Fisher, Des Moines, Iowa, died Feb. 1, 1981.

B. Alan Lovrien, Lincoln, Neb., died March 19, 2018.

Larry C. Selgelid, Northampton, Mass., died March 10, 1991.

Lawrence "Jerry" J. Weis, Blue Earth, Minn., died Dec. 10, 2006.

1960

Kenneth L. Carter, Springfield, Mo., died Jan. 4, 2002.

Martin "Marty" R. Chapman, Grand Island, Neb., died Aug. 31, 2019.

Daniel J. Peters, West Branch, Iowa, died Aug. 22, 2019.

1961

James "Jim" D. Stock, Lake View, Iowa, died Nov. 24, 2019.

Marlin K. Idso, Archer, Iowa, died Dec. 21, 2019.

1962

Wayne Boyd, South Sioux City, Neb., died Jan. 29, 2019. Charles "Chuck" R. LeMaster Jr., former Director of Library Services, Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, died Aug. 30, 2019.

Rev. Gerald Schimmelpfennig, Indianola, Iowa, died Feb. 21, 2014.

Duane L. Skaff, Omaha, NE, died Dec. 27, 2019.

William Vennard, Virginia Beach, Va., died Jan. 30, 2016.

1963

Donald L. Chesley, Sioux City, Iowa, died Nov. 17, 2019.

Sara Jean (Meyer) Corbin, Decorah, Iowa, died Nov. 2, 2019.

Lee Jensen, Round Rock, Texas, died May 19, 2019. He was a member of TKE who earned his bachelor's degree in speech and English education from Morningside and went on to have a successful career in commercial real estate. He is survived by his wife, Denece, three children, and eight grandchildren.

1964

Roberta Darbyshire (Barr), Davenport, Iowa, Dec. 5, 2019.

Richard "Dick" L. Leonard, Lakewood, Co., died Sept. 7, 2019.

Paul C. Sohm, 81, Rochester, Minn., died Sept. 6, 2019.

Dr. Alan J. Stone, Scottsdale, Ariz., died Oct. 2, 2019. He served as president of Aurora University in Illinois from 1978-1988 and president of Alma College from 1988-2000.

1965

Barbara "Marilyn" M. Chant, Harlingen, Texas, died Nov. 5, 2018.

Virginia Jean (Hale) Johnson, Onawa, Iowa, died Aug. 30, 2019.

Karen J. (Inman) Kounas, Sloan, Iowa, died Nov. 27, 2019.

1966

Margaret Gregory, Knoxville, Iowa, died March 28, 2019.

Gary E. Shull, Urbandale, Iowa, died Nov. 7, 2019.

Lawrence "Larry" E. Paige, Reno, NV, died Nov. 30, 2019.

1968

Mildred Stoner, Lancaster, Calif., died March 19, 2019.

Robert "Bob" Lee Tallman, Sioux City, Iowa, died Oct. 25, 2019.

1969

Carol Jean (Biedermann) Halvorson, Sioux City, Iowa, died June 21, 2019.

Herbert C. Larsen, Winkelman, Ariz., died Sept. 16, 2013.

Larry L. Tinker, Waipahu, Hawaii, died June 2, 2018.

1970

Rev. Gregory Wolfe, Jackson, Mich., died April 15, 2019.

1971

Cary Conover, Holstein, Iowa, died March 9, 2019.

Elinor Marie Garvin, Sioux City, Iowa, died Oct. 15, 2019.

Curtis "Curt" L. Koehlmoos, Springfield, Neb., died Sept. 22, 2019.

Charles Smith, Waukee, Iowa, died Dec. 10, 2018.

Terrill Lee Velin, Anacortes, Wash., died Sept. 29, 2019.

1972

David W. Allen, Elkhorn, Neb., died Sept. 2, 2019.

Brent Beebe, Kasson, Minn., died March 21, 2019.

1973

Meredith (Meloney) Olver, Rockaway, N.J., died March 6, 2019.

1974

Daryl Hecht, Sloan, Iowa, died April 3, 2019.

Keith A. Knudsen, Omaha, Neb., died July 27, 2015.

Leroy J. Sturgeon, Cape Coral, Fla., died Nov. 26, 2019.

Michael D. Thompson, Tucson, Ariz., died July 30, 2019.

1975

Steven "Steve" Delano Zediker, Sioux City, Iowa, died Sept. 26, 2019.

1976

Charles Haack, Omaha, Neb., died Feb. 16, 2019.

Constance Johnson (Pederson), Sioux City, Iowa, died March 2, 2019.

Daniel "Dan" Mark Sanem, Carroll, Iowa, died Nov. 19, 2019.

Gary Stodden, Saint Charles, Mo., died March 26, 2019.

Mark L. Zentmire, Yankton, S.D., died Nov. 15, 2019.

1977

Kim L. (O'Malley) Lansford, Encinitas, Calif., died Nov. 17, 2019.

Bonnie (Washburn) Powers, Emmetsburg, Iowa, died Nov. 2, 2019.

1978

Gregory "Greg" L. Askeland, Solon, Iowa, died Dec. 1, 2019.

Robert L. Parks, St. Paul, Minn., died Sept. 23, 2019.

Maurine (Meleta) Penny, Fort Collins, Colo., died Dec. 5, 2019.

1982

Cynthia Gray (Andrews), Sioux City, Iowa, died March 26, 2019.

1983

Bonnie Sue LaBrune, Smithland, Iowa, died Oct. 25, 2019.

1984

Steve Hanson, Sioux City, Iowa, died April 1, 2019.

Craig R. Willis, Elkhorn, Neb., died June 22, 2016.

1985

Gailen L. Clausen, Le Mars, Iowa, died Dec. 23, 2019.

1987

Brenda K. (Dyhrkopp) Olson, Spirit Lake, Iowa, died Oct. 2, 2019.

1988

Mary J. (Duke) Ahlquist, Sioux City, Iowa, died Aug. 31, 2019.

1989

Bernetta L. Lopez, Sioux City, Iowa, died Aug. 24, 2019.

Doug Martin, Le Mars, Iowa, died April 26, 2019.

1990

Steven "Steve" J. Fox, Spencer, Iowa, died Sept. 16, 2019.

REMEMBERING CHERISHED FRIENDS

Julie (Jorgensen) Bamrick, Lawton, Iowa, former degree auditor died Nov. 2, 2019.

Dr. William Becvar, Decorah, Iowa, a theatre professor at Morningside from 1967-1969, died Sept. 4, 2015.

Berkley Bedell, Naples, Fla., and Spirit Lake, Iowa, a former member of the Morningside College Board of Directors, died Dec. 7, 2019.

Maxine Burch, former professor and chair of home economics, died June 13, 2015.

Jack Jennett, former assistant football, head track, and freshman basketball coach and athletic trainer, died Oct. 20, 2019.

Lowry Smith Jr., former board member at Morningside College, died Oct. 25, 2019.

Dr. Douglas Swan, Lexington, Ky., a former Morningside faculty member, died Nov. 17, 2018.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, February 25** Excellence in All Things Tour, Minneapolis
- Thursday, March 5** Excellence in All Things Tour, Phoenix
- Tuesday, March 10** Excellence in All Things Tour, Kansas City
- Friday, March 20** Open House for Senior + Transfer Students
- Sunday, March 22** Piano Recital Series Paavali Jumppanen, piano Eppley Auditorium, 3 p.m.
- Sunday, March 29** The Morningside Choir Concert Eppley Auditorium, 3 p.m.
- Sunday, April 5** Piano Recital Series Yekwon Sunwoo, piano Eppley Auditorium, 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 28** Piano Recital Series, Kristian Bezuidenhout, fortepiano Levitt Gallery, 7:30 p.m.
- Saturday, May 9** Commencement
- October 9-10** Homecoming

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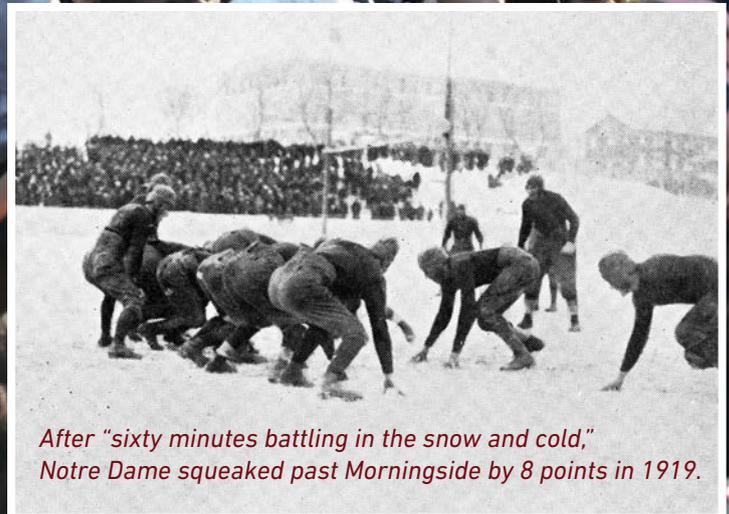


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