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1950
Brig, Gen. Ronald M. Holiday, B.A. ’57, history, J.D. ’59, law, was honored in the Casper Star-Tribune for his exemplary work in the U.S. Army.

Tom Martin, B.S. ’01, social work. After 17 years of service, Martin retired as executive director of Interfaith-Good Samaritan.

1960
F. Dee Mickelson, B.A. ’64, math education, was inducted into the Lovell High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

1970
Marcella M. Cook, Exp. ’70, education, and her husband, Gordon Cook, celebrated their 61st anniversary.

The Honorable Jeffrey A. Donnell, B.S. ’74, psychology, J.D. ’77, law, retired from Wyoming’s Second Judicial District.

Dr. Courtney V. Fletcher, B.S.P. ’78, pharmacy, was selected as the UW School of Pharmacy’s 2016 distinguished alumnus.

Mike McCoy, B.A. ’73, anthropology, retired after nearly 40 years with the Montana-based Adventure Cycling Association. Between 1994 and 1997, he mapped the Canada-to-Mexico Great Divide Mountain Bike Route (via Wyoming), a trail that’s credited with kick-starting the worldwide “bike packing” movement.

1980
Joe McGowan Jr., B.S. ’52, journalism, was honored and inducted into the Wyoming Press Association Hall of Fame.

Joe Legerski, B.S. ’79, education, head coach of the Wyoming Cowgirls basketball program, helped lead them to a second-place finish and 13 Mountain West Conference wins, the most in program history. Coach Legerski was also named the 2016-17 MWC Women’s Coach of the Year. That leaves him with 133 career conference wins, the most in MWC history. UW’s 21-8 record marks the eighth 20-win season in his 14 years of leading the Cowgirls.

Dale Anne Meeker, B.A. ’79, elementary education, retired during the summer of 2016. Meeker was a star athlete at Powell High School and the University of Wyoming. During her college senior year, she helped lead the women’s basketball team to its best record in school history that stood until 2006-7. She remains fourth all time at the University of Wyoming with 21 rebounds in a game, seventh in rebounds for her career (770) and 20th in her career scoring with 904.

Paul Hickey, B.S. ’72, history, J.D. ’75, was elected to the Board of Regents of the American College of Trial Lawyers at its annual meeting this past fall in Philadelphia. He serves as regent for the states of Colorado, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Wyoming. He has previously served as the chairman of the Wyoming State Committee and currently serves on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the Sandra Day O’Connor Jurist Award Committees. Hickey also currently serves as chairman of the Dean’s Advisory Committee of the College of Law at the University of Wyoming and as a director of the Historical Society for the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. He and his wife, Jeanne, who is also an alumna of UW, live in Cheyenne, Wyo.
Leon Mickelson, B.A. ’70, math secondary education, M.Ed. ’75, educational foundations, was inducted into the Lovell High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Wendell Mickelson, B.A. ’70, physical science education, M.S. ’73, natural sciences, was inducted into the Lovell High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

1980

Russell (Russ) Schnell, M.S.’71, Ph.D. ’74, atmospheric science, NOAA scientist received an honorary Doctor of Science degree from the 40,000 student body University of Alberta, Canada. Russ was the first Ph.D. graduate in the atmospheric science department and was awarded the honorary degree in part for his discovery of biological ice nuclei while a student at the University of Wyoming.

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1980

Shelby G. Carlson, B.S. ’87, civil engineering, is the new administrator of the School Facilities Division of the Wyoming Construction Department.

Tom Johnson, B.A. ’86, education, resigned from his position as head coach of the University of Wyoming swimming and diving program at the end of the season to enter private business.

John F. Wetzel, B.A. ’85, history, was named interim mayor for the city of Powell.

Geoff Ziebart, B.A. ’85, international studies, is a partner at Ziebart Consulting LLC.

1990

Brian Glaspell, B.S. ’95, geography, is going to be the manager of the National Elk Refuge in Jackson Hole.

Andy Hundley, B.S. ’96, architectural engineering, M.S. ’96, mechanical engineering, has been promoted to the principal level of leadership at Burns & McDonnell in Denver.

Bruce Moats, J.D. ’96, law, was named the winner of the Milton Chilcott Award during the 118th Wyoming Press Association Winter Convention in Cheyenne.

2000

Dana Dillion, B.S. ’00, physical education, was inducted into the Lovell High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

Tara Evans, B.S. ’02, molecular biology, J.D. ’06, law, was appointed as UW’s chief legal counsel. Evans had been serving as the interim general counsel since August. Evans has been with the university since 2008, when she began working as a special assistant to President Tom Buchanan. The UW alumna has also worked as an assistant attorney general for the state of Wyoming. She has been deputy legal counsel at UW since 2013.

Sara J. Fleenor, B.S. ’00, agricultural communications, MPA ’04, public administration, received several awards through the Wyoming Association of Extension 4-H Agents.

Zane Gilmer, J.D. ’09, law, was elected a partner at Stinson Leonard Street LLP.

Chandra E. Grohman, B.A. ’02, elementary education, M.S. ’11, education CNFD department, was named “Teacher of the Year” at Rocky Mountain Elementary School.

Eric Haley, B.S. ’03, finance, is the co-founder of Gotham Greens, a company in New York City and Chicago that grows gourmet produce. Gotham Greens was created to grow pesticide-free produce using clean-energy-powered rooftop greenhouses.

Larry V. Knopp, MPA ’97, MPA ’04, after working for 21 years, and serving as president for 18 of those years, has retired as CEO of UniWyo Federal Credit Union.

John Easterbrook Jr., B.S. ’85, finance, was named chief membership officer of the Professional Golfers Association America.
David G. Hearn, B.A. '08, psychology, represented Canada in the 2016 summer Olympics golf championships.

Erin R. Hotchkiss, M.S. '07, has been named as an assistant professor in the Department of Biological Sciences at Virginia Tech.

Samantha A. White, B.S. '03, finance, was named a partner in BakerHostetler. Nationwide, 12 attorneys were elected into the partnership.

2010

Abegail Cave, B.S. '15, economics and political science, was named director of government affairs for Ziebart Consulting LLC.

Chase Roullier, Exp. '17, mechanical engineering, participated in the NFL Draft Combine and recently signed with Capital Sports Advisors. The 2016 Cowboys captain, Roullier was named a second team all-American, making him our first all-American since 2006.

Jane M. France, B.A. '08, History, J.D. '11, law, is a partner at the Law Firm of Sundahl, Powers, Kapp & Martin, LLC. She is also the president-elect of the Defense Lawyers Association of Wyoming Inc. and will become president at the annual meeting. She also serves on the Community of Action of Laramie County Board of Directors.

Hunter D. Hinckley, Exp. '16, geology, was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Wyoming National Guard on Oct. 28, 2016.

Tycee Mohler, B.S. '16, animal and veterinary science, was named the 4-H educator in Park County.

Lauren Robertson, B.A. '16, elementary education, has returned to Rocky Mountain Elementary School to teach second grade.

Jessee D. Wilson, B.S. '16, biological science and secondary education, has returned to Rocky Mountain Middle School to teach science.

In Memorium

Marty Altenbern, EXP. '89, finance, 12/14/16. Survived by his wife, son, father and others.

Leland Keith Anderson, B.S. '56, marketing, 9/24/16. Survivors include his wife, daughter, son, grandchildren and stepchildren.

Maj. Louis A. Anderson, B.S. '66, business administration, MBA '75, 2/11/2017. Survivors include his wife, daughter, son, mother and others.

Mir Zahirudin Ansary, M.S. '71, animal science, Ph.D. '77, range management, 10/2/2016. Survivors include his six children and his wife.

Bill Barnhart, B.A. '63, history, M.A. '69, history, 10/27/16. Survivors include his wife, sister and brother-in-law.

Debra Baker Beck, B.A. '81, journalism, M.A. '93, sociology, M.A. '98, honorary, Ph.D. '09, education, 3/7/17. She held many positions at UW, including a publications editor at the UW News Service, assistant director of the UW Alumni Association and public relations for the College of Education. Debra is survived by her husband, brothers and others.

Doris Bender, Exp. '44, home economics, 2/19/2017. Doris is survived by three sons, one daughter, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Richard “Dick” Ballinger, Exp. '60, education, 1/26/2017. Ballinger was the only UW wrestler to ever win the NCAA title, while competing at 167 pounds. Ballinger was a three-time All-American for the Cowboys. He was inducted into the Wyoming Athletics Hall of Fame in 1993.
Ron Billingsley, Exp. ‘67, 2/5/17.
Ron played football for the Cowboys from 1963 to 1966. Survivors include his wife, mother, son, daughter and others.

Colonel George Clement Bird, B.S.P ‘57, pharmacy, 2/13/2017. Survivors include his wife, sons, daughter-in-law and others.

William Stephen Bon, J.D. ‘49, law, 2/1/2017. Survivors include his five children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and others.

George Edgar Bush, B.S. ‘67, electrical engineering, M.S. ‘68, electrical engineering, 12/27/2016. He is survived by his daughter and his son.

Hans Floyd Hansen, B.S. ‘64, animal husbandry, M.S. ‘77, agriculture economics, 1/21/2017. Survivors include his wife, sons, sister and others.

James F. Hayes, B.S. ‘72, journalism, 12/21/2016. Survivors include his wife, mother, children and others.

Shirely Dee Haskins, Exp. ‘50, 10/24/16. Survivors include her daughters, son, grandchildren and others.

Leon Roy Hetherington, B.S. ‘60, geology, J.D. ‘67, law, 8/31/16. Survivors include his wife, stepson and two granddaughters.

Tolin W. “Nick” Hodgell, B.S. ‘63, business administration, 9/23/15. Survivors include his wife, three daughters and six grandchildren.

Roy Holcomb, B.S. ‘81, business, 3/20/15. Survivors include his wife and others.

Paul Holtz, B.S. ‘55, journalism, 11/9/16. He married the former Averill Bishop and was the father of five sons.

Edward Allyn Hughes, B.S. ‘77, political science, 11/5/16. Survivors include his wife, sons, daughter and grandchildren, nephews.


Tony Brekken Sr., B.S. ‘55, electrical engineering, 12/1/2016. He retired from Dow Chemical in the late ‘90s and then worked as a safety engineer for the federal government. Anyone who knew Tony, and most people who just crossed his path, knew that he loved telling jokes or otherwise entertaining people. Always learning and teaching talents throughout his life, Tony enjoyed figure skating, performing magic, singing, analyzing handwriting, making biorhythms, bowling, scrabble and bridge, but most of all making people smile from cracking a bad joke or riddle.

Kenneth M. Davis, M.A. ’53, counseling, Ed.D. ’73, administration, 8/26/2016. He is survived by two sons and two grandchildren.

Cynthia Marie Lucero DeGeorge, B.S. ’95, physical education, 11/13/16. Survivors include her husband, son, grandchildren and others.

Donald Doehring, Ph.D. ’68, geography, 12/19/16. He is survived by wife, son, and daughter.

Margaret (Peggy) Adell Dyer, Exp. ’61, 7/26/2016. Survivors include her sister, four children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

J. Mitch Goodart, B.A. ’65, economics, 9/27/2016. Survivors include his wife, daughters and grandchildren.

Sean Haberthier, B.S. ’91, finance, 1/12/2017. He is survived by his mother, brother, sister and others.

Reverend Heide R. Walker Hackman, B.S. ’91, history, 10/14/2016. Survivors include her husband, children, siblings and others.

Verne Allen Hamlin, B.A. ’59, social science education, 10/7/16. Survivors include his wife, daughter, son-in-law, son and grandchildren.

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Duane G. Manfull, B.S.C.E. ’50, civil engineering, M.S. ’51, civil engineering, 2/5/2017. Survivors include his wife, daughter, grandchildren and others.

Margaret Elizabeth Small Mains, Exp. ’56, 9/25/16. Survivors include her children and others.

George Donald Mathews, B.S. ’49, geology, 4/27/16. Survivors include his son, daughter and grandchildren.

Alan A. Mass, B.S. ’70, electrical engineering, 10/24/16. Survivors include his brother, nieces and nephews.

Donna Marie McArthur Smith, B.S. ’51, home economics, 11/4/216. Survivors include her two daughters, three sons, 25 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.


William J. McRann, M.A. ’60, art, 2/16/2017. He is survived by his wife, sons, daughter and others.

Carolyn Jean Miller, B.A. ’70, elementary education, 11/10/16. Survivors include her husband, children and grandchildren.

Robert Carl Milliken, B.S. ’52, business administration, 12/26/16. Survived by his sister, children, grandchildren and others.

Carrol P. Orrison, Exp. ’50, 12/25/2016. Survivors include his son, grandchildren and others.


Dr. Robert Pattalochi, D.D.S, B.S. ’72, zoology/physiology, 11/18/16. Survivors include his wife, two sons, daughter, sister and others.


Joseph “Joe” Pinter, B.A. 71, elementary education, 8/4/16. Survivors include his wife, children, grandchildren and others.

John Wold, HD. ’91, administration, 2/19/2017. He was elected to the Wyoming Legislature in 1956 and was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1969 and served one term in Congress. Wyoming U.S. Sen. John Barrasso referred to Wold as a “legend.” John is survived by his three children, eight grandchildren and others.

James W. ‘Jim’ Kladianos, B.S. ’50, civil engineering, 11/7/16. Survivors include his son, two daughters and others.

Max R. Lawton, B.S. ’73, civil engineering, M.S. ’77, information systems management, 10/12/16.

Donley Rex Linford, J.D. ’70, law, 1/14/17. Survivors include his wife, children, grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Larry Edward Lorenzen, B.S. ’71, accounting, 2/29/2017. Survivors include his sons, brother and others.

Raymond J. Lutterman, B.S. ’56, physical education, M.A. ’66, recreation and park administration, 11/24/16. Survivors include his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Brandon Scott Machado, B.S. ’03, mathematics, 2/17/2017. He is survived by his parents, sisters, brother and others.

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