Stig Hallingbye came to the United States and Laramie in 1974 from Oslo, Norway on a scholarship to Ski for the UW Ski Team and to study business. He met his wife Beth at UW the same year and married her in 1976. Stig completed his BS in General Business in 1977. He later completed his MS in Agricultural Economics in 1982 while coaching the cross country and ski jumping teams, also at UW.

In 1984 he started in his first job as a commercial banker in Cheyenne and has continued to follow that interest through today. He has held numerous leadership positions at banks located in Wyoming and Colorado. Today he is the Market President for First State Bank in Cheyenne and Laramie.

In 1997 he was inducted into the UW Athletics Hall of Fame after earning three All American diplomas and having won two NCAA Championships in skiing. Needless to say, the sport of skiing has been an important influence in his life.

Stig has been a member of numerous community and professional organizations in Cheyenne, Laramie and Grand Junction, Colorado, over the years. His favorites include being a member of the COBAB for 13 years, former UW Alumni Association Treasurer, chairing the United Way of Albany County with Beth, Vice Chair of the UW Athletics Hall of Fame Committee, The CFD Old West Museum Treasurer, and former President of the LCCC Foundation. Stig and Beth have loved their relationship with UW and continue to be long time season ticket holders, life time Alumni Association members and Cowboy Joe members.

Stig and Beth have two grown children, Thor and Kari, and five grandchildren, located in Cheyenne and Denver.