

# From the Chancellor

I'd like to share some responses to the last issue of PERSPECTIVE. The university worked with a company to help us reconnect with about 3,500 alumni. Here are just a few of the many comments.

**Thomas Mason ('75)**

*While it took me a while to graduate as I worked full time ... I look back on the experience with great thankfulness. Thanks for the memories and the education!*

**Kathy (Kralicek) Dasso ('78)**

*Professors Dr. Geula Lowenberg and her husband, Benjamin, were inspirational mentors who made a tremendous impact on my life.*

**Marie Aiello ('86)**

*A small commuter campus allowed me to really get involved. I went to school, worked on campus in the information center and catering/cafeteria, showed movies. Let's face it, I lived there.*

**Kelly (Robinson) Jackson ('90)**

*My entire time at Parkside was a great learning experience. While working with the different organizations and Parkside staff, it taught me how to interact with different people from different walks of life, and come away with a higher level of understanding and knowledge.*

**Carolyn Kiesau ('90)**

*Professor Christoph, my German instructor ... always pushed his students to do more and to do it better. That knowledge he shared with his students was very valuable when I later became a student at a German university.*

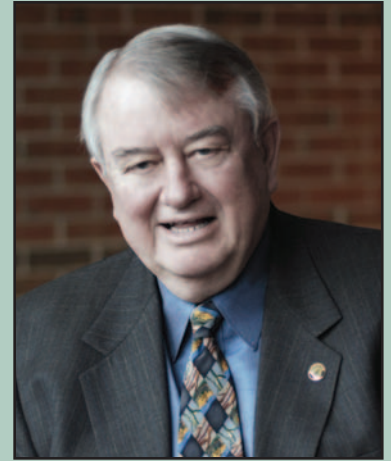
**Andi Schiesser ('00)**

*My father was the men's basketball coach from 1988-1992, I have grown up with the Athletic Department and consider them a part of my family. The memories will last a lifetime, being an alumni is just icing on the cake!*

**Hollie (Carpenter) Miller ('02)**

*Parkside has shaped the entire path of my life and career. I met my husband and many of my closest friends while on campus and would not have the job that I have without my experiences in the classroom as well as those from the softball team and the Res Life team.*

As alumni you are part of the Parkside family and PERSPECTIVE helps all of us keep in touch. I look forward to hearing from you in the future. Be sure to visit the Alumni Association website at [www.uwp.edu](http://www.uwp.edu)  
Keyword: alumni.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "John P. Keating".

## Short Takes



### MARTIN ACCEPTS NEW POSITION WITH UW SYSTEM

Dr. Rebecca R. Martin, former provost and vice chancellor at UW-Parkside, has been named senior vice president for academic affairs for the University of Wisconsin System.

"Dr. Martin's outstanding record of university leadership, and her vision for quality higher education in Wisconsin, will be significant contributions to the UW's success in a complex and changing world," said Kevin Reilly, UW System president.

Since January, Martin has provided interim leadership to the UW System Office of Academic Affairs. She now guides ongoing planning and development for academics and research, and has initiated strategic planning for the future of academics at the system level. She has led the process of approving new degree programs for students who transfer from Wisconsin technical colleges. She also contributed to developing new faculty and staff personnel policies, and to the Equity Scorecard Project, a pilot program that seeks to narrow achievement gaps between students of color and the rest of the student body.

"Our colleges and universities must change in important ways if we are to meet the emerging needs of our communities and the changing needs of the stu-

dents who will become the leaders of our state and nation in the 21st century," Martin said. "I welcome this opportunity to help our system achieve the 'Growth Agenda for Wisconsin' and to support all of our campuses in advancing productivity and academic quality."

Martin initiated UW-Parkside's participation in the national Foundations of Excellence in the First College Year project, led data-driven analysis of academic programs, and supported work to engage adult students and educate teachers. She also established a Provost's Fund to support faculty research and creative activity.

"Rebecca's academic expertise and inclusive leadership approach will be invaluable as we strategically study the UW's strengths in educating students and serving the state of Wisconsin," said Danae D. Davis of Milwaukee, chair of the Board of Regents Education Committee.

Martin is a tenured professor in the Political Science Department at UW-Parkside, and

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has been an associate professor of educational leadership and associate faculty of public administration at the University of Vermont. She also held several roles in university libraries in Vermont, at San Jose State University, and the University of California-Berkeley.

She earned her doctorate in public administration from the University of Southern California, her master's degree in librarianship from San Jose State University, and her bachelor's degree in educational psychology and history from the University of California-Santa Cruz.

Martin has served on the board of the Wisconsin Alliance for Minority Participation, the Racine Art Museum, the Kenosha Boys & Girls Club, and the Racine County Workforce Development Center.

## COLLEAGUES IN NIGERIA REMEMBER LILLIAN TRAGER

Dear Chancellor Keating,

### OUR DEEP SYMPATHY

On behalf of the Senate, Staff and Students of Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria, I am writing to express our deep sympathy over the loss of our dear Professor Lillian Trager, professor of anthropology at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside. Her death came as a rude shock to our university.

Professor Trager was indeed a friend of Obafemi Awolowo University. It is on record that she made immense contributions to the growth of our Department of Sociology and Anthropology. She also contributed to the establishment of a Directorate of Linkages and Sponsored Research in our university.

She will long be remembered for her efforts at keeping the linkage between OAU and University of Wisconsin-Parkside. She was responsible for an Internet-assisted virtual exchange course on contemporary issues in Africa sponsored by the Fulbright Alumni Initiative. Several of our students participated in this. She, until her death, remained a lover of and spokesperson for Nigeria.

Yours sincerely,  
Prof. M.O. Faborode  
Vice Chancellor

## IN MEMORY

The university lost an exceptional educator with the death of Jayavel Sounderpandian Monday, April 9, 2007. Sounderpandian, a professor in the Business Department, was 58.

Sounderpandian joined the UW-Parkside faculty in 1983 following the completion of his doctor of business administration degree at Kent State University in Ohio.



He earned his MBA from Kent State after receiving a degree in mechanical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology in Madras, India.

At UW-Parkside, Sounderpandian

taught quantitative methods in the School of Business and Technology. He specialized in operations management, statistics, and decision analysis. His research focused on supply chain management, individual and group decision making, medical decision making, and risk analysis. He served as interim dean of the School of Business and Technology during the 2005-2006 academic year.

## STUDENTS AND GRADS HONOR JAY SOUNDERPANDIAN

UW-Parkside MBA students and graduates working at Modine Manufacturing Co., in Racine, Wis., honored the late professor Jayavel Sounderpandian with a contribution to the university's business program.

"All of us are very fond of this special professor and remorseful of his passing," said Modine Regional Sales Manager Tom Savas. "We truly learned something from him, respected his teaching skills, and admired him as a person."

In addition to Savas, the group includes Amy Agallar, Michael Eklund, Lawrence Gabbey, Matthew Gates, Charles Goodremote, Timothy Halverson, John Kis, Michael Kis, Thomas Lefeber, Bob Mausing, Carolyn McClaren, Steven Memory, Scott Miller, Sabha Museteif, Mark Orlovsky, Michael Peske, Timothy Rintelman, and Michael Schires.

The group raised \$475, and with the support of Modine's Chief Human Resource

Officer Greg Troy and the company's Director of Human Resources and Organizational Development Dan Sager, Modine added \$525, for a total contribution of \$1,000 to the UW-Parkside Benevolent Foundation in Sounderpandian's honor.

## SAVING ON ENERGY

Most of us are familiar with trying to save a few energy dollars by keeping the thermostat a little lower in the cold months and a little higher in the warm months. That basic concept also applies at UW-Parkside. The annual energy budget is \$2.5 million and given that Wisconsin is seeking a 10 percent reduction in energy costs for state agencies by 2008 and another 10 percent reduction by 2010, every degree and dollar counts.

This year, the chillers (the equipment used to cool the buildings) were not started until May 2. "By simply starting the chillers after May 1st, which got us out of the April billing period, we saved more than \$9,000," said Dale Lovejoy, UW-Parkside power plant superintendent. "The savings is based on a monthly peak demand charge from our electric utility, WE Energies."

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