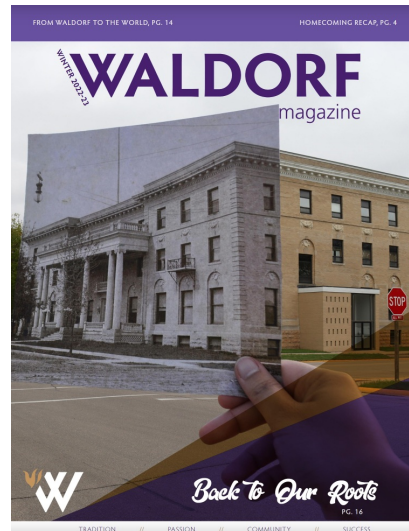


## February 2023

### Winter Waldorf Magazine

The latest edition of the Waldorf Magazine is available to read online! In the feature article "Back to Our Roots", President Alsop discusses the transition of Waldorf's ownership to the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation. Other topics in the magazine are the Homecoming 2022 recap, Alum Kelli Lair's worldwide educational journey, Honors Day, Alumni Updates, and much more. Be sure to check it out by clicking the image of the magazine to the right! Go Warriors!



**UPDATE - SAVE THE DATE:** Homecoming 2023's date has **CHANGED** to Sept. 28 - Oct. 1 because of changes to the conference football schedule.



### Award Nominations Needed!

Waldorf University and the Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation are seeking nominations for the Alumni Distinguished Service Award. This honor recognizes Waldorf alumni who have performed distinctive and meritorious service in areas such as public affairs, education, church, business, and government. They have demonstrated their Christian faith in service to community and church. Individuals selected for this prestigious award will be honored in a ceremony during Homecoming 2023. If you have anyone in mind, please fill out the form below and email it back to us at [alumni@waldorf.edu](mailto:alumni@waldorf.edu)



*Nancy (Bergland) Olson '75 & '97 was one of the three recipients of the Alumni Distinguished Service Award at*

[Nomination Form](#)

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## The Waldorf Foundation Window of Opportunity Pledge Campaign



The Waldorf Lutheran College Foundation is conducting a "Window of Opportunity" pledge campaign. Any donations will be matched by an extremely generous donor during this "window", all the way up to \$500,000 in total donations. So - think of each dollar donated to this campaign as being worth double its value within this threshold. If you have been thinking about donating, now is a very good time to consider contributing. If you feel inclined - click the "donate online" button below, and then you must select "Window of Opportunity" as the option. We are grateful for every single donation we have received so far, and the generosity of our incredible donors will help us sustain a successful and bright future for Waldorf University as a whole. Thank you, and God Bless!

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# WALDORF UNIVERSITY CAMPUS BLOOD DRIVE

Waldorf Atrium  
106 6th Street | Forest City  
**Wednesday, February 15, 2023**  
**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

## Alumni in the News



**Daniel Chavous '19** was named Deputy Chief of Operations for the Hendersonville, NC Fire Department in early December.



**Brian Fallon '19** was named Chief of the Victorville, CA Fire Department last June.

*Congratulations to both Daniel and Brian on their new roles!*

## Sarah Leichsenring '10 Named Forest City MS Principal

Sarah (Studer) Leichsenring '10 began her teaching career in the Central Lee





*Sarah Leichsenring has served as Osage Middle School Principal Since 2019*

and Mason City (IA) school districts after graduating from Waldorf with the class of 2010. She taught middle school social studies and served as an instructional coach in the Forest City Community School District from 2014-2018. While in Forest City, she earned her masters of science degree in education with a focus on teaching, learning and leadership. Leichsenring left the district to serve as joint curriculum director for the Osage and Riceville districts, earned her principal certificate from University of Northern Iowa and was promoted to principal of the Osage Middle School just one year later in 2019. For the full article, please click the image of Sarah to the left. Congratulations to Sarah on being named the next Forest City MS Principal!

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## 1989 Waldorf Grad Rabbe Awarded as Teacher of the Year

Kim (Ritter) Rabbe '89 - A 30-year veteran of teaching at Windom (MN) Elementary School, Rabbe was recognized as the district's Teacher of the Year in November.

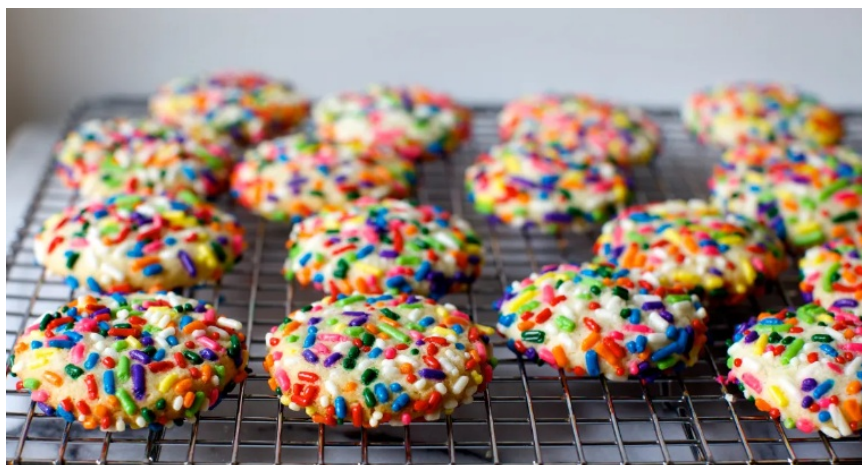
"I've always worked with children, whether it was babysitting, teaching Sunday school or teaching vacation bible school," she said. "I really like working with children, they're so much fun." For the full story, please click the image to the right. Congratulations to Kim!



*Kim Rabbe working with her students*

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## Cookie Walk to be Hosted by Waldorf Student Athlete Committee




**WHEN:** February 4th, 2023; Doors Open from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**WHERE:** The Waldorf University Atrium, 106 S 6th St, Forest City, IA 50436 - Enter thru east doors facing the Winnebago County Courthouse.

**WHO:** Any and all people! We hope to see lots of alumni specifically!

*Free-Will Brunch Starts at 9am with Cinnamon rolls, coffee, juices, other pasteries and beverages. Cookies are \$10 per box.*



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### Alumni Shirts Still Available!

We still have plenty of Alumni T-Shirts available for purchase! Shirts cost \$15. Pickup is also an option if you would prefer to stop by the Alumni Office to get your shirt in person - we would love to see you! Click the button below to purchase an Alumni



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## What's Your Waldorf Story?



**First row (sitting):** Kelley Rouchka, Emily Bucknell, Kristin Huls, Laura Verbrugge, Annessa Hacker, Stephanie Peterson, and Jessie Bacon. **Second row:** Molly Boecherding, Amy Onstot, Emily Hedem, Kristina Jones, Adam Wilke, Drew Jackson, Mariana Francis, Jennifer Littlejohn, Maggie Dickman, Bailey Dean, and Candice Steenhard. **Third row:** Sarah Knott, Marissa Hopper, Jason Homard, Rebecca Fareman, Julie Griffin, Todd Cavell, Andrea Markey, and Alicia Danielson. **Fourth row:** Alexander Stockseth, Andrew Blum, Anandi Gilseth, Elizabeth Breen, Lisa Balvanz, Erica Jurrens, Sara Olson, Steven Pals, Kristen Nielsen, Dean Safe, Chelsea Baxter, Molli Miller, and Allen Mannes.

The Waldorf University Marketing Team is searching for alumni willing to share their "Waldorf Story" and possibly be included in an upcoming marketing campaign. We love staying in touch with our alumni and want to see where everyone is at years after their Waldorf journey. Pictured above is the 2008-9 Wind Symphony! Click the button below to share your story, or send an email to [alumni@waldorf.edu](mailto:alumni@waldorf.edu) - we can't wait to read it - Go Warriors!

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