## Alumni news & updates



#### June 2024

#### News!

# Alum Nathan Chester Finishes 4th Place on NBC's *The Voice*



Alum Nathan Chester has certainly reached new heights, as he finished 4th place in the finals of NBC's "The Voice" at the end of May! He shared his thoughts at the conclusion of the season on his Facebook page to friends and fellow Waldorf alums:

"In case anybody was curious... I'm on CLOUD NINE! Last night was one of the best nights of my life. I sang alongside one of my hero's John Legend and we celebrated making the Top 5 on *The Voice*. Congratulations to all of the contestants this season and to the well deserved winner and my brother Asher (HaVon)!

The love you all have sent my way is beyond words. It's an absolute honor to represent all my friends and family. I love you guys so much - and I can't wait to share some of the exciting things I've been working on with you. I've noticed so many people reaching out and wanting to share their experience with me about this journey or congratulate me about

mine, I can't wait to hear from you and get excited about what's coming next together.

You can expect more soulful content... more shows... more funky sounds.... more afros... some original music... and more splits!!"

Check out Nathan's performance of "When a Man Loves a Woman" by Percy Sledge with John Legend at the finale by clicking the button below.

Congratulations again, Nathan!!

Nathan & John Legend's Performance

# Susan "Susie" Kundrat 1986 Honored with Bell Tower of Fame Award



Waldorf University alumna Susan Kundrat 1986 was honored with the 2024 Bell Tower of Fame Award in the Greene County courthouse rotunda earlier this month. She was awarded for her impactful work with dietetics and wellness consulting, making a difference for athletes, students, from K-12 through college, and national corporations.

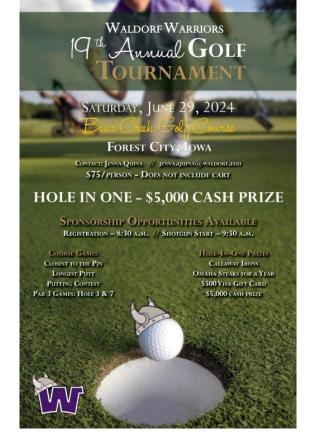
For more details, check out the full story <u>here</u>. Know a fellow Warrior who has recently received a prestigious award? Let us know by emailing us at <u>alumni@waldorf.edu</u>

Congratulations again, Susan!!

#### **Events!**

#### **Annual WU Golf Tournament**

Annually, Waldorf University Athletics hosts a Golf Outing. The tradition continues



again this year, with our 19th annual tournament! Friends, locals, businesses, alumni, staff, students, and others are welcome to enjoy 18 holes with Warriors!!

We are looking forward to golfing with you on Saturday, June 29, 2024 at Bear Creek Golf Course,145 Country Club, Forest City, Iowa.

For event details, contact Athletics through Jenna Quina at 641-585-8782, and Jenna.Quina@waldorf.edu

You will be mailed an official statement which will indicate if a portion of your transaction is a charitable gift.

Registration is available online for golfers and sponsorships, and registration will also be available the day of the tournament at Bear Creek Golf Course as well.

Register Now

#### **lowa Cubs Outing 2024**



Join Waldorf Thursday, August 1, 2024 for a family friendly evening with the lowa Cubs vs. St. Paul at Principal Park in Des Moines!

At no cost to you and your family, the evening will include:

- A private Waldorf University picnic complete with all-you-can-eat hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, potato salad, water and soft drinks
- One ticket/guest to the game (vs. St. Paul)
- · Your pick of an Iowa Cubs baseball cap, mini-bat, baseball or t-shirt

The picnic will begin at 5:30 PM on the Right Field Party Deck Picnic Area at Principal Park. The game will start at 6:38 PM. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with friends and fellow Waldorf University alumni!

Space is limited, so register soon by emailing <u>alumni@waldorf.edu</u> or by calling (641) 585-8148 today!

We recommend reserving your spot by Friday, July 26, 2024 to secure your spot and to help us plan accordingly.

#### Waldorf Booth at the Iowa State Fair



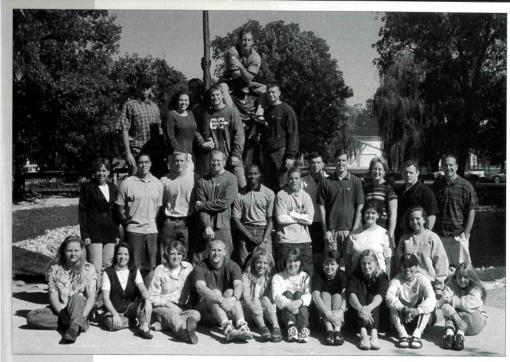
Be sure to stop by the Waldorf University booth #536-537 in the Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fair for Alumni Day on **Thursday, August 15th!** Alumni who visit our booth receive a special alumni gift and can chat with Waldorf President Bob Alsop, Vice President for Engagement & Advancement and Executive Director of the Waldorf Foundation, Severin Roberts, Director of Engagement & Alumni Relations, Theodore Schoneman, Senior Director of Engagement & Advancement, Rod Schultz, and others!

If you have any interest in volunteering and helping us out by taking a shift at the booth to represent Waldorf as an alum throughout the duration of the fair (Aug. 8-18), you can sign up for a shift <u>here</u>. We look forward to seeing you at the fair! Go Warriors!

REMINDER - Homecoming 2024 is scheduled for October 3-6!

All of Us!

### Collegium Assistants



First row, from left: Eva Hudecova, Cheri Torgerson, Amy Ruter, Kris Schlieper, Tali Salberg, Amy Tjernagel, Kaylee Kuehnast, Brooke Helgevold, Beth Skogen and Olga Podlesna. Second row: Jennifer Andersen and Emilie Ingebretson. Third row: Michelle Church, Korey Kollasch, Chris VanGerpen, Jesse Olson, Gaspar Msangi, Matt Otis, Nick Worm, Al Johnson, Andrea Warren, Steve Kelly and Keith Kramer. Fourth row: Brian Cibula, Megan Sutherland, Jared Nelson and Matt Brown. Fifth row: Kyl Gillespie.

### What is YOUR Waldorf Story?

The 1998-99 Waldorf Collegium Assistants certainly have stories to share about their endeavors across our campus!

Do you have a great "Waldorf Story"? We like to feature alumni stories in the newsletter, online, and in the <u>Waldorf Magazine!</u> Send us your short stories and long narratives with a picture to <u>alumni@waldorf.edu</u>, or <u>through our form.</u>

Share your story with us and tell us what Waldorf means to you!

## How to Help!

### Celebrate Waldorf through Philanthropy



Please <u>make a gift</u> to the Window of Opportunity campaign or the area you most love. The *Window of Opportunity Campaign* helps us with the \$2.5 million in costs the Foundation incurred while purchasing the University in December of 2022. This is a short term campaign, but it is currently our highest priority.

The future of Waldorf is bright, and we are grateful for you!

#### Waldorf University Alumni Association https://www.waldorf.edu/alumni











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