

Special Alumni Issue May 2013



New Alumni Embrace the Future

Scattergood Friends School and Farm challenges students with a college-preparatory curriculum, farm experience, a shared work program and community living in the spirit of Quaker faith.

Mission Statement

By Rüdiger Rückmann, Director of Development

This Sunday at 11 a.m., our seniors will join the 109 classes that have celebrated graduation before them. (From the early '30s to the mid '40s, Scattergood was closed and then reopened as a hostel for refugees from Europe during World War II.) When they leave the Hickory Grove Meetinghouse on Sunday, the Class of 2013 will be Scattergood's newest alumni.

True to our mission statement, our seniors have been challenged and rewarded by Scattergood's curriculum, farm experience, and

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community living. Their hard work has paid off as reflected in their acceptance into the following colleges and universities:

Baker College, Berea College, Bethel College (KS), Buena Vista College, Coe College, Colorado Mountain College, Earlham College, Guilford College, Hamline College, Hampshire College, Iowa State University, Ithaca College, Kansas State University, Lake Superior State University, Lawrence University, Occidental College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rochester Polytechnic Institute, Rollins College, Temple University, University of Denver, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Iowa, University of Miami, University of Minnesota at Mankato, University of Northern Iowa, University of San Francisco

A few Scattergood seniors will work on family farms after graduation. Others are considering less traveled roads such as work in the equestrian field. We wish our most recent alumni the very best as they take Scattergood with them wherever they go.

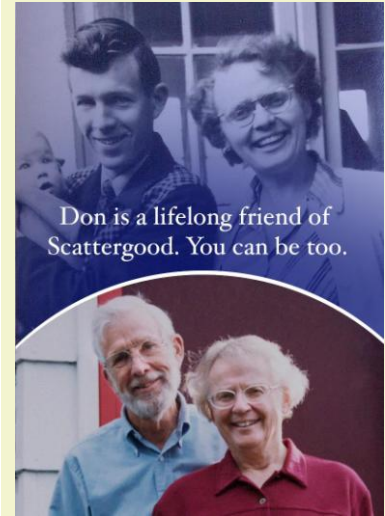


Classes Circle Back to the Past at Scattergood Reunion this June

Students and staff from 1955 to 1965 will gather at Scattergood the weekend of 14 to 16 June to reconnect, reminisce, and revel in their shared past and present.

More than 30 alumni and their spouses have already registered for the reunion, highlights of which include a reception, meals, tours of the Scattergood farm and campus, Meeting for Worship, small group gatherings, and baked chocolate pudding!

Room is still available at Scattergood (or in hotels in West Branch and Iowa City) for those who wish to attend. To register, [please click here](#) and return the form to the Development Office, development@scattergood.org



Join alumni and friends

in leaving a legacy that can transform you and Scattergood!

Call the Development Office, 319.643.7621, for more details or [click here](#) for a copy of our new brochure.

Scattergood Spanish Language and Culture Camp



16 to 30 June and 7 to 21 July

For students 5th through 9th grade

Language classes with native speaker, cultural immersion, and home-cooked meals with food from Scattergood's organic farm

Partnerships with Chicago Alumni and Friends Grow and Prosper

Scattergood alumni and alumni parents have been active in myriad ways to stay connected and tell the story of Scattergood. In March, Head of School **Christine Ashley** and Development Director **Rüdiger Rückmann** met alumna **Beth Barrett ('04)**, her wife **Gwyn**, and **Glory Southwind**, mother of **Hilary Probst ('84)** at Chief O'Neill's Restaurant on Elston Avenue. Christine also enjoyed visits with Downers Grove and Evanston Meetings.

Nearly across the street from Chief O'Neill's is Prop Thtr, a storefront theater established in 1981 by several artists, including Scattergood alumnus **Stefan Brün ('74)**. Stefan is willing to host Chicago friends in the future and give a tour of the theater. If interested, please contact Scattergood's Development Office at 319.643.7621 or development@scattergood.org

Chicago area alumni parents **Sylvia Sanford (Taylor Sanford, '07)** and **Rachel Grossman (Anna Grossman, '10)** helped organize and promote two spring Scattergood Open Houses at the Evanston and River Forest public libraries.

Friends of Scattergood are invited to host open houses or alumni/alumni parent gatherings in any area of the country (or the world). For more information about these initiatives, please call or write Rüdiger at the Development Office.

Scattergood Alumnus Introduces New Book at Prairie Lights



Alumnus **David Rhodes ('65)** read from his new novel, *Jewelweed*, at Prairie Lights in Iowa City in May. The father of **Emily Rhodes ('04)**, David wrote much of *Scattergood Friends School, 1890-1990*. David's novel *Driftless*, published in 2008, was called by one critic "the best work of fiction to come out of the Midwest in many years."

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Head of School **Christine Ashley** joined Facilities Manager **Mark Shanahan (left)** and **Geery Howe**, former staff and parent (**Ryan Howe, '04**) at **Devotay Restaurant** in Iowa City. Devotay is owned by **Kim McWane Friese** and **Kurt Friese**, parents of **Taylor Friese ('08)**.

Many thanks to **Kim and Kurt** as well as **Short's Burgers Eastside** and **Thai Flavors** for hosting food fundraisers this year for Scattergood.

Congratulations to Scattergood chemistry and physics teacher and technology coordinator **Mark Edwards**. Mark has been accepted to The Plasma Science and Fusion Energy Institute in Princeton, New Jersey,

David told an audience of several dozen at the book reading that his inspiration comes from community.

"The heart of humanity is building community. People cannot live without community. Most people are always trying to find it in one way or another."

His own experience at Scattergood "was essential for me at the time," said David. "Scattergood inspired me. It brought out my love of people and literature."

Several Scattergood community members, including Development Director Rüdiger Rückmann (above, to the left of David), enjoyed David's reading. Scattergood Humanities teacher and Iowa Summer Writing Festival participant **Jane Edwards** publicized the event as she does for many readings at Prairie Lights and other literary venues.

News from Alumni and Friends

Lake Giffen-Hunter, '12 writes: "My ultimate team, the Haverford Big Donkeys, went to regionals! I will major in Political Science at Haverford College. I miss Scattergood and its simplicity; there are too many options around Haverford and Philly. This summer at Camp Shiloh will be a respite from the hustle and bustle."

Grimsley Hobbs, '62, now practices architecture with his son, Grimsley Hobbs III, in North Carolina.

Pamela Knight Madden, '62, completed a quilted piece that was presented at the 20th anniversary gala for the Monroe County (Tennessee) Area Arts Council.

Laura Rioux, '11, won third place in the Central Lakes College (Brainerd, Minnesota) Writing Awards contest for her short story, *Rosie's Life*.

Linn Stone, '67, continues her goal of earning her Bachelor of Arts degree and has a little more than a dozen classes to complete. She also sewed a prom dress for her granddaughter.

Renée Stucklen, '95, is a licensed massage therapist and acupuncturist.

John Zuck, '64, has lived in Halifax, Nova Scotia, for the past 40 years. He works in urban and rural planning and development both as a college instructor and as a consultant to businesses.

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