

Lost Alumni

We know they're out there. Can you help us locate these people?

Joseph M. Brennan '63
 Daniel M. Ojala '64
 Ricki J. Bassett '67
 Grace Lane '69
 James R. Halberg '74
 Linda M. Chiconsky '76
 Kathy J. Hahka '78
 Hildegard C. Obeshaw '79
 Diana L. Abbott '82
 Alexander C. Chavez '83
 Gwen M. Eastman '84
 Jennifer A. Ackley '89
 Melissa A. Dzelak '95
 Christopher W. Lamb '95
 John D. Lamneck '04

If you can help us, please drop us a note at alumni@nmu.edu or call us toll free at 1-877-GRAD NMU.

Lifetime Members

We'd like to thank the following people who have recently joined as lifetime members of the NMU Alumni Association.

Kenneth R. Brown '66
 Robert Glascott '67
 J. Stuart Boland '71
 Frederick E. Nelson '73
 Beth (Peterson) Rubenstein '76
 James M. Wilson '76
 John B. DeKeyser '77
 Cynthia G. (Rasanen) Hill '77
 Edward J. Buchynski '83
 Karen A. (Beatty) Manske '84
 Albert E. Behnke '98
 Pamela & Riley "Gene" Austin '00
 Lynn F. Smollin '04

To learn about the benefits of membership, visit our Web site at www.nmu.edu/alumni, e-mail us at alumni@nmu.edu, or call us toll free at 1-877-GRAD-NMU.



Ready, set... network!

Alumni Association launches online networking community

If there is one thing you as alumni want, it's to stay connected with the NMU community. This was clear from the results of a recent survey. Alumni from around the country voiced two clear needs:

- to stay connected to classmates and friends, and
- to regularly receive NMU news and updates.

The Alumni Association has recognized these needs and offers you the perfect solution—an online community complete with a career

you've been up to. You can customize your page, allowing individual sections to be accessible to the entire NMU community or just a small group friends—it's your choice.

• **Another NMU career center option.** You can post your resumé and search for a job or post a job opening here as well as at the NMU JOBSearch Center. This new site is continuously updated by companies around the country so you'll always have new and interesting positions to browse through.

In a recent survey, 89% of alumni said they would use an online community to stay connected to classmates and friends.

center, a place for your personal Web page and endless ways to socialize. There's no charge for you to use it. And it's safe, reliable and accessible only to NMU alumni.

This password-protected network, provided by InCircle, allows all NMU alumni and friends to log in, set up a personal profile and begin networking instantly. Of course, it all becomes more powerful as more alumni populate the site. So log in and get connected today!

Main Features

• **Personal Web page.** You will be able to design your own Web page where you can tell the NMU community who you are and what

• **Online clubs.** Are you wondering what your biology buddies are doing? Looking for a marketing job in Seattle? A fun event in your area? The online community has a "groups" feature allowing you to find alumni who share your interests or educational background or live in your area. If you don't find a group that fits, you can start one.

How to join

Becoming part of the online community is simple. Go to www.nmu.edu/alumni and click on the Northern Network link. This link will bring you to the log-in site.

Start networking

The first thing you'll need to do is set up your personal Web page. This is how all of your friends and classmates will find you. You don't need any technical knowledge to do this, as the program will walk you through the process. Keep in mind when setting up your privacy features that it might be a good idea to keep some of your information open to the public. This will help your friends and classmates find you, and vice-versa. You can change your privacy settings at any time.

“Once I started seeing all of the potential of this tool I was really excited and hooked! I found a pledge sister I had not heard from in more than 10 years. We had a good e-mail catch-up session and are meeting this week for dinner.”

—*InCircle network user*

Next, start searching! Find your friends and classmates by using the search feature on the home screen. Even if your friend's page is blank, you can send them a greeting. This way, when they log in for the first time, they'll have welcome messages waiting for them. Also, you can start looking for community groups to join, or start your own with the easy set-up process.

Questions?

The Alumni Association is here to answer any of your questions. And please let us know what's working well and if you think any features need improvement. Call our office at 1-877-GRAD-NMU or e-mail alumni@nmu.edu.

GREAT NEW MEMBER BENEFITS: DISCOUNTS ON LAPTOPS AND CELLULAR CALLS

We're excited about new partnerships between the Alumni Association and businesses—often formed at the businesses' request. It indicates to us the value they see in NMU and our alumni. As you'll find from these offers, when we team up, it's a win-win situation for all involved.

ThinkPads are now available to NMU alumni at an exclusive NMU price. Lenovo, which makes the ThinkPad laptops that NMU students are provided, is offering incredible deals on brand-new, high quality computers. Visit the online store accessible from www.nmu.edu/alumni to see all the models and prices. Here are a few examples of what's offered:

ThinkPad Z61t

List price: \$2,499

NMU price: \$1,375

You save: \$1,124

ThinkPad T60

List price: \$2,099

NMU price: \$1,099

You save: \$1,000



Another great partnership involves cell phones. You could get 16 percent off your monthly bill simply by being a member of the NMU Alumni Association.

If you are a current Cellular One customer and want to take advantage of this offer, contact us at alumni@nmu.edu or 1-877-GRAD NMU. Or if you're not a Cellular One customer but would like to be, contact your local Cellular One office and then contact us.

Not an Alumni Association member? Join today and become eligible for this great discount. You will earn back your annual dues, and then some! Look at what one member is currently saving.



Monthly bill	\$100
Monthly Discount	\$16
Yearly savings	\$192
Cost of membership	<u>-\$35</u>
YOU SAVE	\$157

Join today at <http://www.nmu.edu/alumni/membership.htm>

The NMU Alumni Association does not exclusively endorse any business. These are optional benefits for members of our association.