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BGSU has benefited from Dalton's quiet diligence

Many on campus may be surprised to learn that, before taking the reins of the University budget, Dr. Chris Dalton was a photochemist studying the interaction of light and matter. But it fits, since in his 20 years of overseeing the budget, he has focused a veritable "laser beam" on BGSU's finances, and has brought all the analytical skills of the chemist to bear on finding the necessary resources and keeping the University in good financial shape.

After nearly 30 years at BGSU, Dalton will step down from his position as senior vice president for finance and administration on May 31, when new CFO Sherri Stoll arrives on campus. He will still be here through midsummer, however, to help her make the transition into the job before his official retirement, and may return to work part time on special projects in the fall.

And then will end years of 70-hour workweeks, of nights and weekends at the office. Over the years, his wife, Ellen, coordinator of budgets in the College of Musical Arts, and daughter, Kathryn, "have been very good about sharing me," he said, adding, "It's a good time to retire."

While he won't miss the workload, he will miss his co-workers. "The most wonderful part of Bowling Green has been the people," he said. "I've been fortunate to have had an excellent group of directors. What you have to do is get very good people to work with because you can't possibly master everything."

These currently include Linda Hamilton, director of budgeting (who Dalton says "has had to put up with me from my early days on the Faculty Senate Budget Committee"); Jane Schimpf, retired as director of auxiliary services but back part time; Robert Waddle, assistant vice president for capital planning; Gaylyn Finn, University treasurer; William Knight, director of institutional research and planning; Bryan Benner, associate vice president for administration, and Mel Hudson-Nowak, the University's new internal auditor. "They provide me with an incredible amount of support," Dalton said.

An analytical leader

Whatever he has done on campus, Dalton has made an impact, according to his friends and colleagues. Although he is naturally reticent and works in the "back office," as he says, his intellect and strong sense of purpose have provided steady leadership.

"He really wants to do what's best for the overall University," said President Sidney Ribeau. "He's also a harmonizer. In groups, he makes sure that the entire unit works together."

Particularly in today's tightened budget situation, "when so much of what we do is based on financial modeling," Ribeau said, Dalton's statistical modeling skills have been called upon to assess whether proposed projects are feasible. "He's very analytical and is a big asset at the Cabinet level in examining and explaining issues," the president said.

While to most people, analysis of statistical models would be daunting, Dalton thrives on it. "As a physical and organic photochemist, I always liked the analytical aspect," he said. "I enjoy looking at things from different perspectives and trying to understand what's happening. It probably has made my weeks longer, though," he acknowledged about his propensity for "looking at data and reevaluating options."

Coming to campus

Even as a young photochemist, Dalton had established a reputation, said Dr. Doug Neckers, McMaster Research Professor and executive director of the Center for Photochemical Sciences, who brought Dalton to Bowling Green.

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By the time he met Dalton, at the University of Rochester, in the late 1970s, “Chris had more published papers than most full professors (50 from his Ph.D. work alone), and he was very well known,” Neckers said.

“For several years Chris was our colleague,” Neckers said. “He was immediately accepted by his department, immediately promoted to full professor and immediately won over lots of friends because Chris was Chris. Having Chris on board also gave our proposals credibility. We successfully competed for all of the Selective Excellence programs of the early 1980s as a result—Program Excellence, Eminent Scholar, Research Challenge and Academic Challenge.

“I liked Chris the first time I met him,” Neckers recalled. “Chris was so genuine and so warm. Rochester was one of the leading chemistry programs in America, and Bowling Green was just emerging from its roots as a teachers college. I was so pleased that he was so nice to one from such a lesser place. But that first meeting formed an indelible impression that has never been altered.”

Neckers recalls that when he invited Dalton to join the department, he said simply, “‘I’ll come.’ It was as simple as that, with his typical enthusiasm.

“I believe succeeding in hiring Chris Dalton in 1977 is the thing that turned Bowling Green’s program in chemistry from just another small, state university program into the world-recognized Center for Photochemical Sciences that it has become.”

A career change

As he was making strides in photochemical sciences, Dalton was also serving on the Faculty Senate Budget Committee, where he found that he enjoyed the work. He was appointed to the committee in the first year of the Paul Olscamp presidency, and had spent several years as chair when Dick Eakin, then vice president for planning and budgeting, encouraged him to apply to be his assistant vice president. “It was a different set of challenges and I enjoyed my work on the senate budget committee, so I did apply and was accepted for the job,” Dalton said. While Neckers was not happy about losing him, “he was always very gracious about it,” Dalton said.

When Eakin became president of East Carolina University, Dalton was chosen to succeed him, with the backing of Olscamp.

“I had always worked 70 hours a week. Faculty work really hard!” Dalton said, and he continued doing that in the budget office. Over the years, his responsibilities and areas of oversight have changed, as has his title, as the University has been reorganized.

Today, Dalton works extensively with the Faculty Senate and University Budget committees to study budget options and develop recommendations for salaries, tuition and fees, the dining halls and intercollegiate athletics. He deals with campus facilities, capital planning and design and construction, and evaluates property the University might purchase. He also frequently travels to Columbus to study the latest models for the state budget and meet with finance and business people from other institutions.

He meets frequently with BGSU trustees to provide information, present budgets and explain the University’s financial situation. “I have a lot of interaction with the finance, audit and investment committees,” he said. “They’ve been very helpful in trying to attain institutional goals.”

Changing faces on campus

Although Hollis Moore was president when Dalton arrived in the chemistry department, he has only served as vice president for finance under two presidents, Olscamp and Ribeau. They and Neckers, he says, are the three people who have had the most influence on him. “I wouldn’t be in BG if it weren’t for Doug Neckers,” Dalton said.

“When you work with them (the presidents) as much as you do as a vice president, they will have an impact on you,” he noted. He said he was pleased to retain his job when Ribeau became president in 1995. “Vice presidents serve at the pleasure of the president. I never gave up tenure, so in theory I could have gone back and haunted the chemistry faculty,” he

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said jokingly.

But Ribeau recalls that when he came to campus the summer before he officially took office, "It took all of about 15 minutes to see I wanted to keep Chris. He's bright, committed and a complete team player. He's also very energetic and has a keen wit."

Though Dalton enjoys his work and the challenges it poses, the situation in 1992 still holds painful memories. "In 1992-93, we cut \$6 million out of the budget. That was difficult. We were trying to protect the core academic purposes while trying to manage the budget challenges," he said. "Thirty-three classified and administrative staff members were laid off, and we eliminated 150 positions, mostly through attrition. It was a difficult challenge. Most if not all of those laid off were offered jobs as things improved but by then most had already found other employment."

Since Dalton became vice president, he has seen a big change in University finances, going from two-thirds state support and one-third from student fees to the opposite. Costs of health care and utilities have soared, and it has been harder to be competitive in faculty salaries.

"We've had significant budget issues about every 10 years," he said. "The early part of the '80s, '90s and 2000s all were difficult, and it's taken longer to recover each time."

Friends and colleagues

Despite the thorny problems he has always dealt with at work, Dalton remains as upbeat as when Neckers first hired him. "Chris then was Chris now," Neckers said. "He's enthusiastic, genuine, nice, unpretentious, creative and fun to be around. He is also very dependable—a rock."

Ribeau said, "He's one of the most intelligent but also one of the kindest people I have ever met. He always shows concern for everyone and their families."

The Daltons showed their support for students when they funded a fellowship to allow up to two each year to follow their hearts' desire and design their own educational experience. "We stole the idea," Dalton said, from a program they admired at the University of North Carolina, and named it after the late Dr. Stuart Givens, University historian and longtime chair of the history department. (See <http://www.bgsu.edu/offices/mc/monitor/09-11-06/page23323.html>)

"It's been very satisfying," Dalton said. "We got to meet the recipients of the first award this year. We're really pleased with how this is going."

As he looks back on his 30 years here, Dalton reiterated that it is the "warmth of feeling members of the BGSU community have toward each other" that makes the campus culture special. "It's been a wonderful place to work for 30 years."

A.A. Green Realty owners give \$100,000 for four scholarships

Bowling Green High School graduates and students in the Alumni Laureate Scholars program will benefit from four new BGSU scholarships, funded by a \$100,000 gift from Allen A. and Mary D. Green, the owners of A.A. Green Realty Inc.

The Bowling Green couple has created \$25,000 endowments for each of the four awards: the A.A. Green Family Teacher Education Scholarship, the A.A. Green Family Business Scholarship, the Mecca Management/A.A. Green Realty Arts and Sciences Scholarship, and the A.A. Green Realty Family Alumni Laureate Scholars Book Award.

The education, business, and arts and sciences scholarships are for full-time students in those respective BGSU colleges who are Bowling Green High School graduates. If no

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applicants are Bowling Green graduates, preference will be given to graduates of other Wood County high schools.

Recipients must also have high school grade point averages of at least 3.0, if they're incoming freshmen, or be in good academic standing if they're current BGSU students. Criteria also include school and community leadership and high moral character.

Students in the Alumni Laureate Scholars program, where the Greens' book award is directed, must have a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 and a composite score of at least 27 on the ACT or a combined score of 1100 or above on the SAT. The award will be available only to first-year, nontransfer students.

Alumni Laureate Scholars are chosen on the basis of leadership skills, citizenship, achievement, personal integrity and involvement, in and out of the classroom. Members of the first group of scholars entered BGSU in 2003 and are graduating this year.

Allen Green said the gift is an effort not only to assist students but also to give back to the University and the community that have contributed to his family's success. "It's just a way to pay back and help students accomplish their goals," said Green, a lifelong Bowling Green resident who taught high school science and vocational agriculture for seven years—the last three at Bowling Green High School—before devoting himself full time to the real estate business in 1971.

The Greens' two oldest children, Steve and Michelle (Remeis), graduated from BGSU in 1990 and 1992, respectively, and are now in the family business. Julianna, their younger daughter, attended the University for two years before completing her nursing degree at Mount Carmel College of Nursing in Columbus.

The scholarship gift is the latest addition to a long list of BGSU support from the Greens. Active participants in the campus community for many years, they are longtime members of the Falcon Club and have been involved with many business-related sponsorship activities with Falcon athletics.

The gift is also part of Building Dreams: The Centennial Campaign for BGSU, which has raised more than \$111.7 million to date. The \$120 million campaign runs through December 2008.

New alumni to travel world as Fulbrighters

BGSU has had only one student Fulbright award winner previously. But with three recipients heading overseas soon, "this year is the jackpot!" exclaimed Diane Regan, director of faculty/staff immigration services and Fulbright Program advisor.

David Wegehaupt of Glendale, Ariz., who graduated May 5 with a bachelor's degree in music performance and a minor in recording technology, will be studying saxophone at the Conservatoire National de Musique de Région Boulogne-Billancourt in Paris. Meaghan Geraghty of Austinburg, Ohio, who graduated with a double major in English and political science, will be going to Hong Kong to teach English. And Paul Lajeunesse, a 2006 graduate of the School of Art now living in St. Louis, will study landscape painting in Iceland.

David Wegehaupt

Wegehaupt came to BGSU to study with Dr. John Sampen, Distinguished Research/Artist Professor. With his Fulbright Full Scholarship in Paris, he will study with master teacher Jean-Michel Goury. Wegehaupt already has fairly extensive experience performing overseas, and returned from a trip to Greece, where he played with his group, the Cosmos Saxophone Quartet, just in time for graduation.

"Last November, I went to Dinant, Belgium, for two weeks and participated in one of the big-

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gest saxophone competitions in the world, the International Adolphe Sax Competition, and I was the only American to advance to the semifinal round,” Wegehaupt said. He counts this and receiving the Fulbright award as his two greatest accomplishments.

To study in Paris is especially meaningful for a saxophonist, he said, because that is where the saxophone was invented and where the first conservatory class in saxophone was held, in the early 1900s. It is also an important center for contemporary art music, which is what Wegehaupt is particularly interested in.

“Twentieth- and 21st-century contemporary music is what I am most involved in,” he said. “I want to keep moving music forward. Changing, evolving and progressing is what is most important to me.”

“David is a tremendous talent—a 4.0 student who learns so quickly and loves music and the arts,” Sampen said. “He has been planning and preparing for this Fulbright opportunity for over two years. In our saxophone lessons we have frequently discussed his interest and need to study in France. As a result, he has undertaken the appropriate preparatory steps in learning French, consulting with other Fulbright winners, undertaking preliminary trips abroad, contacting major world-class saxophonists and preparing professional-quality audition solos and recordings.”

An important part of the preparation involved writing two essays. Wegehaupt said Regan was a “really great editor of my essays. We must have gone through 20 drafts of each essay, and she helped me write the best essays I could write.”

Once in Paris, in addition to his classes with Goury, he said he is most looking forward to having virtually uninterrupted practice time. “I plan to spend about eight hours a day playing and practicing,” he said. As a student at BGSU, he was pressed to get in four hours a day when combined with school and his other activities, which included being a radio announcer and music director for WBGU-FM and a recording engineer. “David is frequently requested for producing recitals and recordings,” Sampen said. This summer, in preparation for going to Paris, he plans to study French, give saxophone lessons and spend as much time as possible practicing. “I want to be playing my best when I get there,” he said.

“What I particularly enjoy about David is his terrific energy and his consuming interest in playing the saxophone,” Sampen added. “He has wonderful musical taste (particularly in new music) and a natural affinity for expressing himself through the medium of sound.”

Meaghan Geraghty

Geraghty got the call telling her she had been accepted for the Fulbright while she was at work. “I found out in the stacks of the BGSU library,” she said, laughing. She will have an English Teaching Assistantship at the Hong Kong Institute of Education, a public university-level institution dedicated to the preparation and professional development of teachers. Her 11-month appointment will run from Aug. 2 through June 2008 and is renewable, “which Fulbrights rarely are,” Regan said. The school is on the island of Tai Po, north of Hong Kong island, and is “a little less industrialized and very beautiful,” Geraghty said.

The Hong Kong program is a first for the Fulbright system and comprises 15 new graduates from across the United States. “What’s really nice about it is that because it’s the first time they’re doing it in Hong Kong and we’re going as a group, we’ll also be like ambassadors. They’ve planned a number of trips for us and visits to elementary schools and other events,” she said. One trip will take the group to South China, she added.

In Hong Kong, Geraghty will spend about 20 hours a week teaching English, along with organizing language-related, cross-cultural student activities and participating in or helping establish organizations. She will also be taking classes in Cantonese, English Foreign Language teaching methods and the history of Hong Kong/China relations, which is “something I really want to get my hands on,” she said.

The middle child of eight (four of whom attended or are enrolled at BGSU) from a small, rural community, Geraghty became engaged with the idea of going abroad after graduation during a BGSU trip to Mexico as part of her Spanish class. “That was the scariest thing, to think of

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going off the beaten path of going straight to law school,” she said. Regan helped her narrow her ideas and choose a direction. “She was essential in the process,” Geraghty said. “She was helpful, timely and flexible, and absolutely dedicated. You couldn’t ask for a better advisor.”

As a former writer for the BG News, Geraghty said she hopes to send back postings from Hong Kong about her experiences in the hope that other students will be inspired and encouraged to pursue their interests abroad.

“I’m honored and looking forward to the experience and would like to bring back what I’ve learned to the States,” she said. “And I hope other BGSU students will take the opportunity to do the same.”

Paul Lajeunesse

A painter, Paul Lajeunesse will spend the next year studying the light and unique landscape of Iceland, stationed in Reykjavik. He anticipates a time of great artistic growth. Working in an environment so different from what he is used to will cause him to take new approaches to both seeing and painting, he says, and the unusual elements of Iceland—light, air, topography—will provide new compositional challenges.

Studying with painter Patrick Betaudier during his annual summer workshops at BGSU “was an enormous influence on my study of light in painting,” he said.

Lajeunesse began working on his Fulbright application as a senior but was not satisfied with the result and decided to continue to pursue it after graduation. “Alumni are able to use the resources of their home institutions as they go through the process,” Regan said, “and Paul did that.” He will leave for Iceland in September and stay through May 2008.

Along with creating a body of landscape painting, Lajeunesse “would like to turn this experience into a serious commitment to the promotion of international education,” he said. He hopes to mount an exhibit of his work at BGSU when he returns to help raise awareness of the student Fulbright program and inspire others to get involved.

IN BRIEF**Monitor takes Memorial Day holiday**

Monitor will not be published the week of May 28. The next issue will appear on June 4.

Campus ‘families’ stand together in giving

Six areas on campus have 100 percent participation in the Family Campaign, reports Michelle Banks, director of annual giving.

They are the Honors Program, the Women’s Center and the Counseling Center, and the offices of Equity and Diversity, the executive vice president, the treasurer and risk management.

Gifts made before June 30 will count toward the 2007 Family Campaign as well as the Building Dreams Campaign. Faculty, staff and retirees may direct their contributions to any of more than 400 BGSU Foundation accounts or to the Family Campaign in general.

To learn more about the campaign and how to contribute, visit <http://giving.bgsu.edu/development/fundingopps/familycampaign.jsp>.

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Heinlen Hall lecturer to explore chemistry on a small scale

Award-winning chemist Dr. J. Michael Ramsey of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will deliver the 2007 W. Heinlen Hall Lecture Series in June. The holder of the Minnie N. Goldby Distinguished Professor of Chemistry chair, the BGSU graduate is interested in using micro- and nanofabrication strategies to create devices that facilitate the ability to gather chemical and biochemical information. The devices his group develops have application to drug discovery, health care, environmental monitoring and basic research.

Many of his lab's projects involve identifying the several thousand proteins in any given type of cell. Among other quests, the lab is also investigating the prospects of shrinking the size of conventional mass spectrometry. Miniature mass spectrometers have application to problems such as environmental monitoring and chemical process control. Ramsey is the scientific founder of Caliper Life Sciences Corp., the leading supplier of commercial Lab-on-a-Chip Products, and holds more than 100 patents.

Ramsey received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from BGSU in 1974 and his doctorate from Indiana University in 1979. He was awarded a Eugene P. Wigner Distinguished Postdoctoral Fellowship at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, where he rose to the highest scientific position of Corporate Research Fellow in 1997. In 2004 he moved to UNC, where he is also a faculty member in the biomedical engineering department and the Carolina Center for Genome Sciences in the UNC School of Medicine.

At BGSU, Ramsey will give four lectures, all in 123 Overman Hall:

June 4: "Microfabricated Fluidic Devices for Acquiring Chemical and Biochemical Information," 3:30 p.m.

June 5: "High Throughput Single Cell Protein Analysis Using Microfabricated Fluidic Devices," 3:30 p.m.

June 6: "Nanofluidics: Fundamentals and Potential Applications," 3:30 p.m.

June 7: "The Mass Spectrometer in a Shirt Pocket," 1:30 p.m.

The annual lectureship was created by the chemistry department in 1975 to honor the late Dr. W. Heinlen Hall, a professor of chemistry from 1936-76 who, as chair of the department until 1971, led it through extraordinary growth and expansion. The weeklong series, which has drawn acclaimed scholars and leading research chemists, allows students and faculty to learn from and interact with cutting-edge investigators at the frontiers of chemistry research.

Gregory Guzman named director of Student Financial Aid

Gregory A. Guzman has been appointed as director of Student Financial Aid, the office of the vice provost for academic services has announced. Guzman joins BGSU from Lourdes College, where he has served as financial aid director since 2002.

A two-time alumnus of BGSU (1994 and '95), Guzman was assistant director of compliance in the University financial aid office in 2001-02. He also has previous financial aid experience at Owens Community College and Tiffin University. He begins his appointment June 29.

CALENDAR

Monday, May 21

Bingo, noon-1 p.m., Falcon's Nest, Bowen-Thompson Student Union.

Wednesday, May 23

Grilling on the Green, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Union.

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Thursday, May 24

Dissertation Defense, "The Skill of Virtue," by Matthew Stichter, philosophy, 1 p.m., 301 Shatzel Hall.

Friday, May 25

Dissertation Defense, "Convergence Results for Sums of Dependent Trigonometric Random Variables," by Vidyadhar Phadke, mathematics and statistics, 10 a.m., 459 Mathematical Sciences Building.

Dissertation Defense, "Individual Sovereignty and Political Legitimacy," by Nicolas Maloberti, philosophy, 11 a.m., 301 Shatzel Hall.

Dissertation Defense, "A Test of Independence in Contingency Tables Based on Maximal Correlation," by Deniz Yenigun, mathematics and statistics, 1 p.m., 459 Mathematical Sciences Building.

Monday, May 28

Memorial Day, No classes, offices closed.

Wednesday, May 30

Grilling on the Green, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Union.

Dissertation Defense, "Assessing the Factors That Affect the Persistence and Graduation Rates of Native American Students in Postsecondary Education," by Paul White, higher education and student affairs, 2:30 p.m., 444 Education Building.

Dissertation Defense, "The Authority of Morality," by John Milliken, philosophy, 3:30 p.m., 206 East Hall.

Monday, June 4

Sundaes on Mondays, free ice cream, noon-1 p.m., Falcon's Nest, Union.

W. Heinlen Hall Lecture, "Microfabricated Fluidic Devices for Acquiring Chemical and Biochemical Information," by Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, Minnie N. Goldby Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 3:30 p.m., 123 Overman Hall. Sponsored by the chemistry department.

Continuing Events Through June 8

Art Exhibition, "In Closure: An Exhibition by Graduating BGSU Students," Union Galleries. Gallery hours follow building hours; check schedule.

Through July 11

Student Printmaking Exhibition, Little Gallery, BGSU Firelands. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

May 21 and May 24

Free Speech Screening, Hearing Screening or Hearing Aid Cleaning, for adults and children from on and off campus, 9-11:45 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., BGSU Speech and Hearing Clinic, 200 Health Center. Call 2-2515 for an appointment.

June 4-7

W. Heinlen Hall Lecture Series, with Dr. J. Michael Ramsey, Minnie N. Goldby Distinguished Professor of Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 3:30-4:30 p.m. June 4-6 and 1:30-2:30 p.m. June 7, 123 Overman Hall. Sponsored by the chemistry department.

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- Instructor (First-Year Studies). Call Michael Arrigo, 2-2786.
 - Instructor (Ceramics). Call John Balistreri, 2-2786.
- Deadline: May 30.

Marketing.

- Instructor (two positions).

- Instructor (Executive-in-Residence). Call Greg Rich, 2-2041. Deadline: June 4.

Human Movement, Sport and Leisure Studies. Instructor/Visiting Assistant Professor. Call Mary Bobb, 2-7234. Deadline: June 15.

Labor Postings

<http://international.bgsu.edu/index.php?x=facinfohires>

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Contact the Office of Human Resources at 419-372-8421 for information regarding classified and administrative positions. Position vacancy announcements may be viewed by visiting the HR Web site at www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/.

Employees wishing to apply for these positions must sign a "Request for Transfer" form and attach an updated resume or data sheet. This information must be turned in to Human Resources by the job deadline.

CLASSIFIED

On-campus classified:

www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/BGSU_only/page11151.html

Off-campus classified:

www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/cl_staff/page11145.html

ADMINISTRATIVE

www.bgsu.edu/offices/ohr/employment/adm_staff/page11137.html

OBITUARY

Robert Romans, 69, an associate professor emeritus of biological sciences, died May 11 in Superior, Wis. He taught at BGSU from 1969-94. Memorials may be given to the Robert C. Romans Biological Sciences Scholarship in the biology department.

Mark Paluszak, 62, died May 14 in Columbus. He was an assistant basketball coach at the University for two seasons, beginning in 1984.