



# First-Person Pride: 2021

*Selected favorite memories and milestones shared by faculty and staff honored in March 2021 by the Iowa State University 25 Year Club for continuous years of service*

## **Gwyn Beattie**

*Plant Pathology and Microbiology — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Being at ISU long enough to move my research team and laboratory into a brand new building. A memory: The holiday celebrations on the steps of Beardshear Hall, with carolers, hot cocoa and horse-drawn carriages that gave rides back and forth to the Farm House.”

## **James Bovinette**

*Music and Theatre — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Conducting research at the Bibliotheque Nationale de France in Paris as a scholar of 19th century cornet master Jean Baptiste Arban, and the publication of two books of music as the result of this work. A memory: Traveling, performing and lecturing in Orvieto, Italy, with my trumpet students as part of the Orvieto Musica Trumpet Festival.”

## **Dave Brotherson**

*Information Technology Services — 35 years of service*

“Jim Hurley and I started on the same day 35 years ago, and we are still here working together.”

## **Greg Buttery**

*Information Technology Services — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: My participation in two major construction projects on campus, and the success of the technology in those projects. A memory: The energy that fills the air on a perfect weekend night around campus when students are everywhere.”

**Karen Carlson**

*Facilities Planning and Management — 35 years of service*

“Whenever a customer, supervisor or coworker notices your good work and tells you thank you. I thrive on that, always!”

**Carol Chapelle**

*Department of English — 35 years of service*

“A milestone: My contribution to building an internationally recognized graduate program in Applied Linguistics and Technology. A memory: Hearing doctoral students speak with such expertise at their oral dissertation defense meetings.”

**Anne Clem**

*Department of Accounting — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Recognized by The Princeton Review as one of the top professors in the country [The Best 300 Professors, 2012]. A memory: Each time I walk through central campus!”

**Marlin Clemens**

*Information Technology Services — 25 years of service*

“Being part of the team navigating ISU student systems through the challenge of Y2K.”

**Joseph Cordray**

*Department of Animal Science — 25 years of service*

“As extension meat specialist, I coordinated meat science short courses that were attended by meat processors from across the U.S. and around the world.”

**Heather Crook**

*ISU Dining — 25 years of service*

“Becoming a part of The Hub crew!”

**Amita Dayal**

*Office of the Registrar — 25 years of service*

“Both of my kids graduating from ISU.”

**Kerry Dixon**

*Facilities Planning and Management — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Being the first woman to hold a position of project or construction manager in FPM, and managing the first LEED project on campus (Morrill Hall) and the first LEED Platinum in the state (King Pavilion). A memory: Managing the implosion of Knapp-Storms in 2005. I can say I threw a ‘party’ for the ATF, FAA, APD, AFD, DPS and up to 10,000 guests that day. Scary and exciting all at once.”

### **Timothy Ellis**

*Department of Civil, Construction and Environmental Engineering —  
25 years of service*

“A milestone: Received a patent for an innovative bioreactor to convert organic wastes to biogas, which can be used as a renewable fuel. A memory: Serving as faculty advisor for the Concrete Canoe Club. One year the team won the regional competition and qualified for the national competition in Philadelphia.”

### **Judi Eyles**

*Pappajohn Center for Entrepreneurship — 25 years of service*

“The many students who have come through our programs, many of whom I am still in touch with today. Our ISU students and alumni are amazing!”

### **A.J. Fales-Williams**

*Department of Veterinary Pathology — 25 years of service*

“Every time a student succeeds, whether in the teaching lab or a clinical setting, feels like an accomplishment. Similarly, seeing faculty members succeed is particularly satisfying.”

### **William Fennelly**

*Athletics Department — 25 years of service*

“A memory: Building an amazing fan base for Cyclone women’s basketball.  
A milestone: 700 career wins.”

### **Anne Foegen**

*School of Education — 25 years of service*

“The best part of my 25 years has been the amazing colleagues with whom I've worked. They've guided me, provided support and pushed me to become better. Many are lifelong friends.”

### **Andrew Fullerton**

*Ames Laboratory — 25 years of service*

“Cael Sanderson’s undefeated wrestling career.”

### **William Gallus**

*Department of Geological and Atmospheric Sciences — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Received the ISU Award for Outstanding Achievement in Teaching in 2005. A memory: Spending a beautiful Saturday at VEISHEA with my young family and my parents, watching the parade and exploring the many attractions.”

### **Richard Garrey**

*Department of Residence — 45 years of service*

“Turning Wallace Hall into a temporary nursing home during the summer floods of 2008.”

### **Zachary Hans**

*Institute for Transportation — 25 years of service*

“A memory: Encountering former students in their new professional capacities in government, industry or academics. A milestone: Received the Iowa Department of Public Safety Commissioner’s Special Award for Traffic Safety in 2006.”

### **Kathy Hein**

*Department of Horticulture — 25 years of service*

“My favorite moments were when I met new students and their families when they were here for orientation or a campus visit. Learning about who they were, where they are from and what the student’s major would be was so much fun!”

### **Nick Howell**

*Research and Demonstration Farms — 35 years of service*

“Being a big part of getting Reiman Gardens off the ground. It was an honor to be at the ribbon cutting as its first manager.”

### **Jim Hurley**

*Information Technology Services — 35 years of service*

“I will always cherish the many food events we had at IT Services, especially the outdoor events, like our annual tailgate the Friday before the ISU-Iowa football game.”

### **Thomas Jurik**

*Department of Ecology, Evolution and Organismal Biology — 35 years of service*

“I’ve been fortunate to have taught ecology to several thousand undergraduates — and now, to some of their undergraduate offspring — for over 35 years.”

### **Tom Kroeschell**

*Athletics Department — 35 years of service*

“A memory: The 2000 Insight.com Bowl and NCAA titles in cross country and wrestling. A milestone: Cyclones.tv documentaries.”

### **Todd Krueger**

*Center for Survey Statistics and Methodology — 25 years of service*

“I will always appreciate having worked on a campus with beautiful landscaping and the youthful energy of the student body.”

### **Thomas Maier**

*Department of Plant Pathology and Microbiology — 25 years of service*

“Hosting an international meeting at ISU in 2013 for our collaborators in nematology.”

### **Michael Martin**

*Department of Landscape Architecture — 25 years of service*

“Leading the Traveling Savanna Studio each fall from 2010 to 2020 for the bachelor of landscape architecture (BLA) program.”

### **Wanda Martin**

*Facilities Planning and Management — 35 years of service*

“I was the first woman to work in maintenance at FPM.”

### **Mary Meier**

*Department of Kinesiology — 25 years of service*

“Teaching and advising hundreds of students. Starting a student study-abroad program. Working with the ISU volleyball team from 1994 to 2017. Earning a B.S. degree (2012) and master’s degree (2019) in athletic training.”

### **Gene Mohling**

*Extension and Outreach — 25 years of service*

“Received the R.K. Bliss Award for outstanding career achievement by an ISU Extension and Outreach staff member.”

### **Al Murdoch**

*Department of Kinesiology — 50 years of service*

“Served as head coach of Cyclone Hockey for 43 years and won the national championship in 1992. Selected as head coach of the USA Hockey All-Star Team playing in the World University Games and beat the Russians in Zakopane, Poland, in 2002.”

### **Joseph Sebranek**

*Department of Animal Science — 45 years of service*

“A memory: I was invited to present the commencement address for the Graduate College in 2009. A milestone: Being designated a Charles F. Curtiss Distinguished Professor in Agriculture and Life Sciences.”

### **Paul Shao**

*Department of Architecture — 50 years of service*

“Designed and raised funds to build the Robert D. Ray Asian Gardens in downtown Des Moines.”

### **Teresa Smiley**

*Department of English — 35 years of service*

“Working in the English department has been like having a second family, your work family — caring people who appreciated my hard work and helped me through many events in my life.”

**Tracey Stewart**

*Office of Biotechnology — 25 years of service*

“My first glimpse of the campanile in the fall of 1985 when I began my Cyclone adventure. Campus has always felt like home.”

**James Vary**

*Department of Physics and Astronomy — 45 years of service*

“Attending a departmental colloquium with the famous scientist Freeman Dyson about 25 years ago.”

**Kan Wang**

*Department of Agronomy — 25 years of service*

“A sunny springtime on campus around noon, enjoying blossoms and campanile bells.”

**Glenda Webber**

*Office of Biotechnology — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: I was honored to help write a request to the Iowa Legislature for \$30.5 million to construct the Molecular Biology Building.  
A memory: Meeting my husband-to-be years ago in Agronomy Hall when we both worked there.”

**Barb Wollan**

*College of Human Sciences Extension and Outreach — 25 years of service*

“A milestone: Helping to get Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) sites established in conjunction with ISU Extension and Outreach in several central Iowa counties. A memory: Having the Provost tell me at a P&S Council meeting that I always ask the tough questions.”