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DEAR FRIENDS OF METROPOLITAN STATE UNIVERSITY:

It has already been two years since I had the good fortune to be named president of Metropolitan State University. What a remarkable two years it has been! Thanks to your support, encouragement and friendship as well as that of our faculty, staff and students, this university has taken giant leaps forward in our quest to bring high-quality, affordable educational programs and services to the diverse population of the Twin Cities.

I encourage you to carefully peruse this Annual Report. It’s all about growth. You will be excited to read about things like the amazing and continuing increases in our student enrollment. You will learn how our stature and reputation in the Twin Cities continues to be solidified through our new branding and marketing program. We show dramatic growth in other areas, too, like philanthropic support, student programs and services, and outreach to our diverse metropolitan area population.

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President’s welcome, continued.

We are also growing physically. Construction of our long-anticipated and much-needed Community Library and Information Access Center is underway. Planning for the co-location of our Minneapolis campus with Minneapolis Community and Technical College is proceeding. We are also expanding at our popular Midway site.

The highlights go on and on. Do read about them and congratulate yourselves on the tremendous part you have all played in helping make Metropolitan State University one of the leading urban higher-education institutions in the nation. No one educates adult learners as we do. We truly are “where life and learning meet.”

With much appreciation,

Wilson G. Bradshaw, Ph.D.
President

A strong foundation for the future.

- 1972
  - February: Admitted first 50 students.
  - Individualized B.A. competence-based degree program offered.
- 1973
  - Graduated first 12 students.
- 1975
  - First accredited by the North Central Association (NCA).
The start of the 2002–2003 academic year finds Metropolitan State University in a very healthy state. This institution is vibrant, reflects our diverse metropolitan area, and offers excellent programs and services. Most of all, it is characterized at this point in its history by growth that is occurring across several dimensions.

**Enrollment**
Most obvious is numerical growth—more and more students are learning about us and coming to study with us. Our enrollments have grown by more than five percent annually, and our students are taking larger credit loads. This good news keeps us busy managing our growth carefully to preserve the high quality of our programs. We are greatly encouraged by this strong student interest. We believe we must respond by keeping our programs financially accessible; therefore, this past fall we implemented the lowest tuition increase of any public university in Minnesota.

**Faculty**
Our full-time resident faculty is growing too, in response to increased enrollment and new programs—there are new faces at every campus event. As always, our dynamic part-time community faculty bring their real-world expertise to a significant proportion of our curriculum. The administration’s task is to maintain a healthy balance between resident and community faculty in light of increasing demand and falling state allocations.

**Physical Space**
We are growing physically. The most visible expansion is the eagerly-awaited Community Library and Information Access Center, which is beginning to take shape on East Seventh Street in Saint Paul. This state-of-the-art center will bring together in one place, and will make available across the metropolitan area, the digital and print resources needed by students and faculty. The library will also include wireless computer

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access, meeting and study spaces, and will house a branch of the Saint Paul Public Library serving neighborhood families. The grand opening, in mid-2004, will be an event our community will not soon forget. Meanwhile, we continue to roll out our long-term campus beautification plan.

This semester we have also grown at our Midway site—our Communication, Writing and the Arts Department has moved into attractive new leased quarters there, giving us some welcome breathing space in Minneapolis and Saint Paul.

In Minneapolis, we are moving forward with plans to vacate our leased space at 730 Hennepin Avenue (in 2004) and to “co-locate” with Minneapolis Community and Technical College (MCTC) on their campus. This physical transition, and the unprecedented collaboration that makes it possible, have produced growth in our visibility and reputation for innovation and financial stewardship. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees, the Minnesota Department of Finance, and our legislative leaders have recognized and supported the value and promise of this new approach. This co-location will save the state from needing to erect an expensive new building in downtown Minneapolis, and it makes the flow between MCTC’s programs and ours more seamless, while allowing our institutions to offer many programs and services on campus jointly and with added efficiencies.

Marketing

Our visibility is growing in other ways, thanks to our new marketing initiatives. This research-driven initiative has resulted in tightly integrated print and broadcast marketing efforts that memorably convey what today’s Metropolitan State University is all about. The new logo you see in our materials is just one element of

___1981___

Excellence in Writing, Nursing and Minority Services programs began.

___1983___

Received American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Award for Innovation and Change.

___1983___

Graduate program admitted its first students to the Master of Management and Administration program.

State of the University, continued on page 5.
State of the University

our presentation of the metropolitan area’s only state university. We are now appearing “on the radar screen” of the seven-county region in ways we never imagined just a few years ago. Be sure to check out our thoroughly redesigned Web site.

Support
One of the biggest growth stories of the past two years has been the superlative philanthropic support we have received, thanks to our generous friends and foundations and the creative and sustained work of our University Advancement Division. You can read more about this amazing story in the donor honor roll pages that follow.

Maturity
At the age of 31 years, this institution has grown in maturity. It has come into its own as a seasoned, midsized, urban, comprehensive university characterized by a developed policy environment and governance structure, fiscal disciplines that have drawn praise from legislative auditors, professional development investments that take a long-term view of the institution’s needs and a self-sustaining quality improvement culture.

Student Services
The depth and impact of our student services have grown in the past year. With significant enrollments of students of color and first-generation college attendees, it was natural that we should apply for federal grants to offer a range of TRIO programs, the “gold standard” of academic support for students of color and other groups underrepresented in higher education. We also seek to grow into a more just and open community by continuing to pursue training experiences across our campuses such as “Undoing Racism.”

State of the University, continued on page 6.

1983
First students graduated from Bachelor of Arts in Nursing program. Theory seminars developed.

1983
More than 100 Metropolitan State classroom sites throughout the Twin Cities.

1985
Began women’s services program with grant from IDS.

10th Anniversary “homecoming” parade at Saint Paul’s Como Park, Nov. 1, 1981.
Alumni
As our alumni population has grown to nearly 19,000, so it has also emerged as a leader in civic engagement. For example, Metropolitan State’s Alumni Association was the first in Saint Paul to respond to Mayor Randy Kelly’s call for volunteers to go into local grade schools to help boost reading achievement, leading the way for the alumni of our city’s other fine colleges and universities.

Programs
Metropolitan State has kept pace with the evolving needs of the metropolitan area with a growing selection of programs for students to choose from. We have recently added the M.A. in Psychology, our outstanding Urban Teacher Program, the innovative Bachelor of Applied Studies for technical-college graduates, and the Center for Women Entrepreneurs. In addition, we recently received formal approval to offer several high-demand programs completely online.

Reputation
This institution’s reputation has grown in recent years, too, as evidenced by invitations from area service organizations and foundations for President Bradshaw to serve on their boards. These opportunities reflect that Metropolitan State has become part of the landscape of the metropolitan area, and that people look to it to provide leadership in shaping the region’s future.

The Future
Growth is just as certainly in our future—there is a large, diverse population in the seven-county area and even beyond, that will need university education in the years just ahead. We will do everything we must to invite them and to be ready for them. We are strengthened too by the growth of our friends—like those of you reading this report—in numbers and in commitment to supporting Metropolitan State’s mission to enrich economic life and human lives in this region.
For the Foundation Board of Trustees, this has been a very successful year. Several milestones were achieved due to the generous contributions and gifts from a wonderful community of friends, former trustees, and other benefactors. We recognize the steadfast support and commitment of so many in our community whose hard work made these accomplishments possible. Thank you.

Major milestones

Library Funding: In May, the state legislature approved full funding for the Metropolitan State Library and Information Access Center, and construction on the library started this fall. We are building a library endowment to provide continual upgrades to this technology-based library. You can expect to hear more about the endowment in 2003.

New Scholarship Funds: We have established two new scholarship funds this year, and had our first-ever scholarship luncheon on Nov. 8, 2002, for donors to meet student recipients of these funds. The establishment of these new funds is exciting and provides even greater access to educational opportunity at Metropolitan State.

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Urban Teacher Program: Over $2 million has been raised for program and scholarship needs through the support of corporations, foundations and individuals as well as those who participated in the successful Third Annual Greg Coleman Celebrity Bash and Golf Tournament, which raises funds for the Urban Teacher Scholarship Fund.

Legacy Circle: We have implemented a new planned giving program, which is thriving with more than 20 Legacy Circle members. Our goal is to increase that number 50 percent by this time next year.

Together we are making a significant difference in the lives of student learners at Metropolitan State University. Each of these milestones represents an opportunity to expand our programs and scholarships throughout the communities we serve. We look forward to working with you during this year.

Respectfully,
Barbara Butts Williams, Ph.D.
Chair, Foundation Board of Trustees

Foundation Board of Trustees
Seated from left to right—Robyn Hansen, Lennie Kaufman, Barbara Butts Williams, Pat Flahaven and Dan Knuth; middle row from left to right—Bob Ingram, Molly O’Shaughnessy, Iris Kiedrowski, Todd Nicholson, Steve Keating, Howard Orenstein, Terry Kelly, Rafael Ortega, John Owens and Kaying Hang; and back wall from left to right—Lee Butcher, Christine Pulkabek, Steve Hirshfeld, Kathy Crandall, Timothy O’Keefe, Sophie Bell Kelley and Elsa Vega-Perez.

Minneapolis Campus on Hennepin Avenue.

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<td>1988</td>
<td>Accounting major approved. Legislation provided $1.3 million for Saint Paul land purchase.</td>
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<td>1988</td>
<td>University’s first bookstore opened in Metro Square. Dr. Charles Graham named interim president.</td>
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<td>1989</td>
<td>St. John’s Hospital site donated as future Metropolitan State site. $600,000 appropriated for architectural planning.</td>
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When John Owens graduated from Metropolitan State University in 1994, he already had a career working in the family business, Owens Service Corporation, a heating and air conditioning company, where he is now president and CEO. But, he says graduating from Metropolitan State is one of his proudest accomplishments.

He came to Metropolitan State because of the flexibility and while here, he gained new, life-changing perspectives including an increased awareness of the need to take care of the environment, which is especially important in the heating and air conditioning field.

Many years ago, Owens’ father worked to establish a culture of charitable giving. Today, John Owens works to continue that tradition to improve the health, welfare and quality of life for all Minnesotans. The company is involved in the Minnesota Keystone Program, giving at least five percent of its pretax profits to charitable and civic organizations. It also received the Minnesota Keystone Honored Company Award in 2001. The major recipient of these donations is the Greater Minneapolis United Way. Owens Companies, Inc. has been a presenting sponsor for the Metropolitan State Alumni Association’s SkyGolf Saint Paul Winter Carnival event that raises money for student scholarships.

Owens’ charitable works do not stop there. He has participated in the Twin Cities to Chicago AIDS Ride to raise money for organizations providing support services for people with AIDS. He has served as a graduate advisor to the Metropolitan State Building Committee and was elected three times to the Metropolitan State Alumni Board, where he chaired the Legislative Committee. He is now a Metropolitan State Foundation board member.

He also wants to make sure Owens Companies, Inc. is a place where people like to work. His desire is to provide an opportunity for all employees to do new things and to be challenged. He wants a company where people “can make their career here.” He enjoys celebrating with people who receive 5-, 10-, 15- and 20-year awards. He is especially proud of an employee who recently received his 30-year award.

This self-described “huge fan” of Metropolitan State continues to be committed to the university and what it stands for. He is a role model for his business and employees, for the community, and for Metropolitan State.
As the widow of the late Minnesota State College System Chancellor G. Theodore Mitau and an early Metropolitan State alumna, Charlotte Mitau-Price has had a birds-eye view of the development of this innovative, nontraditional university from the beginning.

As a former Metropolitan State Foundation trustee and a strong proponent of education, she exerted significant influence on Metropolitan State and on education around the state of Minnesota.

“I chose Metropolitan State because of Ted’s encouragement. He was very strong on what the college was doing and that it existed at all.”

Mitau-Price fit the Metropolitan State student profile in many ways. With some University of Minnesota work to her credit, she had dropped out early on to pursue motherhood and a variety of educational, civic and community activities. Mitau-Price served on the Saint Paul Public School Board, both as chairman and vice-chairman, from 1964 to 1976. She served on many local and national education and school board committees as well.

She was a member of the Saint Paul Charter Commission, the Hallie Q. Brown Community Center, the Youth Service Board, the Minnesota PTA, the Mayor’s Revenue Committee, the Macalester Women’s Club and many, many more organizations. “I’ve always liked to be busy,” says Mitau-Price. “Staying involved and active was second nature to me.”

Mitau-Price appreciated the small class size. “There were 15, 20 students at the most,” she recalls. “That was small enough so that there was a lot of interacting with the teacher and other students. That was very helpful.” “The university owned no buildings,” Mitau-Price recalls. “It used space everywhere—churches, auditoriums, schools, libraries, streets and parks. The education was different from the U of M,” she says.

Mitau-Price graduated in June 1979. She says her degree has always been especially poignant because she received it just one month before Mitau’s death. “Ted would be so pleased,” she says of Metropolitan State’s growth and development.
**Profile from a Philanthropist**

Elsa Vega-Perez is a senior program officer with the Otto Bremer Foundation. Together, they have a common mission: “To promote human rights and to create opportunities for social and economic justice in Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and Wisconsin.”

Hers is the first generation in her family to be born in the United States, and she is the first in her family to achieve a postsecondary education. She graduated in 1993 with a focus in human service administration, a degree that has served her well in her efforts to empower the Latino community.

Vega-Perez is cofounder of the first battered women’s shelter for Latino women in Minnesota, Casa de Esperanza. She has served the community as executive officer of the board of directors of the Urban Coalition; as National Urban Fellows Alumna Association vice president; as National Latina Leadership Institute alumna; as a member of the Minnesota Women’s Fund, the State Task Force on the Hispanic Learner, the Chicano/Latino Human Rights Task Force and the Neighborhood House Board of Directors; and as advisor to the Governor’s Executive Cabinet on issues affecting minority groups in Minnesota.

She is also a trustee of the Metropolitan State University Foundation, and cochair of Hispanics in Philanthropy, an organization with an interest in promoting the Latino community.

When she was executive director of the Minnesota Hispanic Education Program, an organization established to promote continuing education for Hispanics, she said, “I strongly support Metropolitan State’s lifelong learning concept. It brings a sense of one’s own history with an opportunity to learn about and respect the elders and the young. Lifelong learning offers an opportunity to expand your own work instead of living with just a narrow focus. This was a vision on which Metropolitan State was founded.”

Vega-Perez has been honored by Metropolitan State on more than one occasion. In 1997 she was named one of “25 Graduates Making a Difference,” and in 2001 she was recognized by Metropolitan State and its Women’s Commission as one of 30 women of vision and courage.

She has excelled in her career, demonstrated commitment to the community, and is a model of vision and courage, striving for social justice and equality for the Latino community.
### Metropolitan State University Revenues

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#### Celebrated

- 1994: 10,000th graduate.
- 1995: Received Hesburgh Award for continuing focus on improving teaching.
- 1997: Received Quality-of-Life Award from Greater Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce for 25 community projects to celebrate 25th anniversary.
- 1998: Nancy J. Black named Minnesota Professor of the Year by Council for Advancement and Support of Education.
## Foundation Assets and Liabilities

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### Past Presidents

- **David E. Sweet** (1971–1977)

- **1998**
  - University’s first honorary degree awarded to Dr. Reatha Clark King.
  - Dr. Dennis Nielsen named interim president.

- **1999**
  - First annual *Breakfast of Champions®* honored Andy Boss, Ellis Bullock and Marilyn Bryant.

- **2000**
  - Dr. Wilson G. Bradshaw was appointed the fifth president.

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When Metropolitan State’s first president, Dr. David Sweet, died 18 years ago, his wife Arleene faced both a great loss and an array of choices. True to form, Arleene Sweet, herself an avid lifelong learner, soon embarked on a new series of adventures.

President Sweet was deeply committed to his family. “David always gave me the drive and courage to know I was my own person,” Arleene recalls. “He encouraged us as much as he did Metropolitan State’s students and faculty. He did that for many people during a very exciting and progressive time in the university’s history,” she adds.

After David’s death, Arleene quickly dusted off her résumé and her networking skills. After meeting with the deputy commissioner of education in her native Missouri, she was offered a research associate job with the state ... in that position for twelve years, she moved on to Shenandoah University in Winchester, Va., where she now manages Parent’s Choice, a national review of children’s literature, videos, audio, music, software and parenting materials.

Arleene recalls providing advice and counsel to David. “He listened to me, often taking the opposite view, as was his way. Occasionally I would see that he had followed my advice. I used to say, ‘David, if I don’t tell you the truth, who will?’ ‘Everyone tells me the truth,’ he’d say.”

Arleene, an accomplished painter and silversmith with an art degree from Southwest Missouri State University, taught a beginning art class for Metropolitan State. It was challenging, she says, because in those days there were no easels, and satisfactory space was hard to find. Arleene crafted the first presidential medallion, which is still in use today, worn by the vice president for academic affairs at each commencement ceremony.

“Metropolitan State took a lot of energy, but David had a lot to give,” Arleene says. She notes that, with all its recent growth and development, the university has retained its First College, offering an outlet for nontraditional, working students. “I know David would be pleased with the institution today,” she concludes.
Legacy Circle/Visionary Circle

The Foundation takes pride in recognizing persons for helping preserve Metropolitan State University. Metropolitan State was founded with a mission to meet the changing higher education needs of our Twin Cities in innovative ways. These groups of individuals believe in this mission and have made an investment in the university’s long-term impact on our community. The members of the Visionary Circle have given a major gift of $30,000 or more, and the members of the Legacy Circle have given a gift of $10,000 or more to the Metropolitan State University Foundation.

Corrections

The recognition extended to those listed in this honor roll is one small way to thank our contributors. Every effort has been made to ensure that the list is accurate. If your name has been omitted, misspelled or misplaced, we apologize. Contact Deb Vos, donor relations director, at 651-793-1800 or e-mail her at deb.vos@metrostate.edu so records can be corrected and gifts properly acknowledged.

Visionary Circle Members
Anonymous
Joseph E. Commers
Ann Sheldon Duff
Barbara L. Forster and Lawrence H. Hendrickson
N. Judge and Reatha Clark King
Susan M. Morrison
Robert B. (deceased) and Kathleen C. Ridder
The Moe and Esther Sabes Family Foundation

Legacy Circle Members
W. Andrew Boss
Wilson and Jo Anna Bradshaw
Marilyn T. Bryant
Beverly Grossman
Robyn Hansen and John Clary
Gareth Hiebert
Terrence A. Kelly
Iris and Jay Kiedrowski
Nancy W. McKillips
Miriam and Chet Meyers
Marilyn Molen
Todd and Martha Nicholson Fund of The Nicholson Family Foundation
Todd S. Nicholson
Susan T. Rydell
Gary Seiler
Albert and Deera Tychman

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- Wedgewood Golf, Inc.
- Wells Fargo & Company
- White Bear Racquet and Swim Club
- World Class Travel
- Wildlife Science Center
- Xcel Energy Foundation
- YMCA of Greater Saint Paul
- Juanita Young
- Lynda C. Zimmerman