

NEWSMAKERS

St. Paul and a 2007 graduate of the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, where



Jacob Stonesifer

he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science. He is licensed to practice in Minnesota and the federal courts. Jacob Stonesifer is a 2014 graduate of the University of Minnesota Law School and a 2010 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stout with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. He is licensed to practice in Minnesota and the federal courts. All three join Johnson, Killen & Seiler as associates.

University of Minnesota Duluth

Lynne Williams was named director of external affairs at the University of Minnesota Duluth and will join UMD on April 20. She is currently the director of marketing and communications at UW-Superior, a position she has held for five years. She brings with her experience in higher education public relations, legislative relations, marketing and communications. Williams graduated from UMD in 2003 with a bachelor of business administration degree in marketing. She is involved in many activities in the Duluth-Superior community, and in 2014 she was a recipient of the Duluth News Tribune's "20 Under 40" award. She will provide leadership and cabinet-level administrative oversight to UMD's media and public relations, community relations, government relations, marketing, communication, publications, photography and KUMD.



Lynne Williams

Minnesota Air National Guard, where she's force support squadron commander. She earned both a bachelor's degree in 2000 and a master's degree in 2004 from Concordia University in St. Paul. Both degrees were in organizational management and communications.



Audra Flanagan

Hermantown Area Chamber of Commerce

Joey Moore was named communication specialist. She previously held similar positions at Grandma's Marathon, the Duluth Area Chamber of Commerce and College of St. Scholastica. A graduate of St. Scholastica, Moore earned a B.A. in Advertising and Public Relations with a concentration in production and design and minors in management and photography.

Essentia Health

Dr. Olubusola Gomes, a sleep medicine specialist, has joined the Essentia Health-Lakewalk Clinic in Duluth. Dr. Gomes will care for patients who suffer from sleep disorders such as sleep apnea and restless leg syndrome. She earned a Medical Degree from the New Jersey Medical School in Newark, N.J. and completed a residency in internal medicine at Fletcher Allen Healthcare in Burlington, Vt., and a fellowship in sleep medicine at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga. Psychotherapist Emma Lovely has joined the Behavioral Health Department at the Essentia Health-Hermantown Clinic. She earned a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Kentucky in Lexington. Psychotherapist Marcia Domecq has joined the Behavioral Health Department at the Essentia Health St. Mary's-Superior Clinic. She will care for both children and adults. Domecq has 28 years of experience caring for patients in Douglas County, most recently at Lutheran Social Services in Superior. Nurse Practitioner Sara San Felipo has joined the Internal Medicine Department at the Essentia Health-Duluth Clinic. A native of south-central Wisconsin, San Felipo earned a Master's Degree in Nursing from Marquette University in Milwaukee. She is certified as an adult health and gerontology nurse practitioner by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Nurse Practitioner Jennifer Blais has joined the

Dermatology Department at the Essentia Health-Virginia Clinic in Virginia. She will care for both children and adults. She earned a master's degree in nursing from the University of South Alabama in Mobile, Ala., and is certified as a family nurse practitioner by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners.

National Bank of Commerce

National Bank of Commerce has expanded its Credit Department by hiring Brian Waldoch as senior credit analyst and Tim Smith as credit analyst. Waldoch, a native of Mound, Minn., and a CPA, earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting and Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of Minnesota - Duluth. He has seven years of experience in finance and accounting. Waldoch joins NBC from Polaris Industries, where he held several roles, most recently as senior financial analyst.



Brian Waldoch



Tim Smith

Smith, a Superior native, recently graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, both from the University of Minnesota Duluth. While attending UMD, Smith was a member of the Bulldog hockey team. He joins NBC from McGladrey LLP, where he was an assurance associate.

Calhoun Companies

Steve Bragg received the "Big Hitter Award" at the Calhoun Companies awards breakfast celebration in Minneapolis. The award is given to the six most productive of 21 Calhoun agents servicing a five-state area. Calhoun Companies has been selling businesses and commercial properties since 1908. Bragg operates the Arrowhead office, working with clients from Ashland to Lake of the Woods.



Steve Bragg

Visit Cook County

This year's Travel Marketing Award of Excellence went to Visit Cook County for its public transit-based awareness campaign. The award was accepted by Visit Cook County Executive Director Linda Kratt on behalf of Visit Cook County staff and its marketing agency Giant Voices of Duluth. "We have a great partnership with Giant Voices, our marketing agency in Duluth," Kratt said. "We received the Explore Minnesota award for wrapping Twin Cities bus shelters with scenes from Cook County, so bus riders could experience in a small way the feeling of being surrounded by the beauty of our area."



Linda Kratt

Lake Superior College

Audra Flanagan has been appointed Lake Superior College's human resources director. She previously served as manager of human resources, healthcare and safety for the city of Duluth. Flanagan also serves as lieutenant colonel with the Duluth-based 148th Fighter Wing,

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