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Jennifer Eberhardt has created a splendid collage of the diverse elements of the Wisconsin TDDL—from microscope and spores to Maxwell and Millett. The lab adds another helping hand to WGCSA members in a way that is the very definition of a land grant college. It also is an excellent example of the Wisconsin Idea —“the border of the campus is the border of the state.”

*Do your job. Get it done on time.
Do it well."*

— *Advice of John Coolidge to his son, the President of the United States, Calvin. From the Book "Grace and Cal—A Vermont Love Story."*

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