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A Passion for Art
The Arts are Alive at Millersville University!
Come out and celebrate fabulous theater and musical performances, art exhibits and the lecture series this season. For a complete listing of events, visit the calendar section of Millersville’s website.

Santos, Duendes and Milagros: An Exhibition of Paintings by Adrian Martinez
January 16 - March 2
Ganser Gallery, Ganser Library

The Capitol Steps
Sunday, February 11, 2 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium
General Admission: $10
Tickets: 717-872-3811

Mojo & The Bayou Gypsies
Saturday, February 24, 7 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium
General Admission: $10
Tickets: 717-872-3811

Anna Funk Lockey Lecture Alfie Kohn
Thursday, March 1, 7 p.m.
Lehr Room, Bolger Conference Center
Free, open to the public.
Alfie Kohn writes and speaks widely on human behavior, education and parenting.

MELA: A Harmony of East & West
A Celebration of the Culture of India
February 25 - March 9
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LECTURE SERIES
Robert A. Christie Lecture - William Darity
Monday, March 5, 7 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium
Dr. William Darity, professor of economics and director of the Institute of African American Research at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Hazel I. Jackson Lecture - Pearl Cleage
Tuesday, March 27, 7 p.m.
Lehr Room, Bolger Conference Center
Pearl Cleage, playwright, journalist, poet and novelist will speak on Human Rights and the Arts. She is a New York Times best-selling author.

Human Rights Symposium
April 19-20
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Carter G. Woodson Lecture
Colson Whitehead
Thursday, April 19, 7:30 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium

Harriet Kenderdine Lecture
Kerry Kennedy
Friday, April 20, 5:30 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium

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India Business Forum: March 2

A business forum – “Opportunity India: Is Your Business Ready?” – to be held on Friday, March 2, will feature experts in business and international commerce.

Millersville University, in cooperation with the U.S. Commercial Service, is hosting the forum, which will be held on campus at the Bolger Conference Center and McComsey Hall. The cost is $40, which includes a continental breakfast and lunch and will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The keynote luncheon speaker will be His Excellency Ronen Sen, India’s Ambassador to the United States. The scheduled topics include:

- “Economic & Commercial Outlook”
- “Opportunities & Challenges in the Indian Market”
- “Taking Your Products to Market” presented by Mr. Bobby Agarwal, Hershey International-India.
- “Customs and Logistics: Getting Your Goods to Market” presented by Mr. Bill Gorman, FedEx.
- Other speakers will be U.S. Congressman Joseph Pitts and Millersville University President Francine G. McNairy.
- For more information, call 717-871-2308.

MELA: A Harmony of East & West
Celebration of the Culture of India at Millersville University

The business forum is one of several Lancaster County events focusing on the culture of India. The festival is a collaborative effort between Millersville University, the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra, the Lancaster Museum of Art, Franklin & Marshall College and Elizabethtown College.

The events at Millersville include:

- Gandhi Photography Exhibit, February 25 - March 9, Ford Atrium, McComsey Hall
- India Film Festival, Myers Auditorium in McComsey Hall. All shows are at 7 p.m. Free.
- February 25 & March 1, Gandhi
- February 26, Bride & Prejudice
- February 27 & March 2, Monsoon Wedding
- Taking Your Products to Market” presented by Mr. Bobby Agarwal, Hershey International-India.
- “Customs and Logistics: Getting Your Goods to Market” presented by Mr. Bill Gorman, FedEx.
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Other highlights are:

- Lancaster Symphony Orchestra’s “Masterworks from East & West” features Dr. L. Subramaniam - March 2, 3 & 4
- “The Sacred and the Sensuous: Indian and Himalayan Art from the Erie Art Museum Collection” at the Lancaster Museum of Art
- For a complete schedule, call 717-871-2308 or visit www.lancastersymphony.org.
Letters to the Editor

Dr. Susan Luek

I greatly enjoyed the faculty spotlight article featuring Dr. Susan Luek. Dr. Luek was my most memorable professor at MU; she had the most influence on my college career. I never met a professor who appeared to love her job as much as she does, particularly her love for the “brain,” which one would understand if they were enrolled in her physiological psychology class.

In addition to her physio class, I remember her Learning and Motivation class vividly. As a matter of fact, as a marine mammal training assistant at the National Aquarium in Baltimore, it is hard to forget everything we learned regarding positive reinforcement in the lovely “Rat Lab” of Byerly Hall. Training rats is actually very similar to training dolphins, and Dr. Luek’s great teaching ability allowed me to understand and implement the training theory concepts on the dolphins I work with. My lab partner (who happens to also be my best friend), Kate, and I spent many hours in the rat lab training our rats Shnook and Brady. Shnook was a slow learner, but Brady came in for the pinch hit when it was time for our final demonstration of trained behaviors.

Dr. Luek is very dedicated to her teaching and her students at MU. I miss her classes and her great passion for psychology. It was great to see such a wonderful, enthusiastic, and dedicated professor in the Faculty Spotlight. The Review staff could not have made a better choice, and I am very honored and privileged to be a former student of Dr. Susan Luek.

-Krista M. Dankiw ’05

The most recent issue of the Review, especially the article about Dr. Luek, brought back fond memories of the time I spent at Millersville. She was my advisor, and had a huge role in shaping my future career choices.

Dr. Luek provided on-target advice about applying for graduate school, the demands of a graduate program, and the job opportunities available to people with advanced degrees in psychology. Based on her sound insights and guidance, I attended Temple University and received my Ph.D. in social psychology.

In addition to being an excellent advisor, Dr. Luek was an exceptional teacher. She was able to accessibly explain the concepts of physiological psychology – basically, the anatomy and biological functioning of the brain. Dr. Luek’s patient tutelage helped us to understand this complicated but fascinating area of study. In my career as a market research consultant who specializes in pharmaceutical agents, this knowledge about biology and physiology has proven to be invaluable.

I would like to thank Dr. Luek for her wonderful advice and counsel during my years at Millersville. The education I received at MU, highlighted by excellent professors like her, has stood me in good stead during my career.

-Melinda “Mindy” Richards ’84
President, Convergence Consulting Corp.

Traveling by Trolley

I just received the fall 2006 edition of the Review and was quite interested by the excellent and informative article on “Traveling by Trolley.”

One correction. The picture on page 16 with the caption “The trolley line between Lancaster and Millersville passed through heavily wooded areas” is [not accurate]. The picture is of the Rawlinsville Trolley Terminus...[as]labeled in the 1910 book Seeing Lancaster County from a Trolley Window.

- John Garrick ’73

My grandmother, Alice D. Wolf, attended Millersville Normal School at the turn of the century. She lived on a farm in Clay Township and took a trolley from Hopeland to Ephrata; changed cars and went to Lancaster with the final change from there to Millersville. Due to the length of the trip, she did not go home often.

Thank you for the incredible research and vivid article by Larry Alexander in the fall edition of the Review. It gave me a much more visual interpretation of the stories I heard from my grandmother.

-Kathleen K. Kuzmiak ’73M

William S. Trout

Thanks for another superb Review with another letter about Bill Trout (my 7/8 grade teacher!).

-Norma Seifried ’65
Promoting a caring academic community

The first campus-wide dialogue to promote positive citizenship and the sense of community got underway on November 8. The event, “Creating Caring Communities: Dialogue on a Diverse Community,” discussed ways in which Millersville represents a unified community, as well as ways community members embrace one another’s unique differences.

“While we talk about ourselves as a ‘campus community,’ or as part of the ‘Lancaster community,’ or even as part of an ethnically-defined ‘community,’ we are not often sure what it is that we mean by ‘community,’” said Dr. Scott Schaffer, associate professor of sociology at Millersville.

During the event President Francine G. McNairy presented the President’s Medallion to Rev. Dr. Nathan Baxter, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. Baxter has been an integral part of the Lancaster community for more than 25 years and is a community leader committed to issues of community and diversity. He has worked at the Lancaster Theological Seminary, St. James Episcopal Church and is a former dean of the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C.

Sponsored by the Office of Social Equity and the President’s Commission on Cultural Diversity, the year-long series of events will include town hall meetings and small group discussions. It will also culminate with the University’s “Humanity Interrupted Symposium” on human rights-related issues being held April 19-21.

Freshman city tour

About 25 freshmen and six orientation leaders joined the annual Lancaster city tour, sponsored by PSECU. They were joined by 45 students and mentors from the Millersville Mentoring Alliance Program. The tour started with a presentation and tour at the Fulton Opera House, followed by dinner at Isaacs, a tour of area retailers and finished with a Barnstormers game at Clipper Magazine Stadium.

The tour was planned in conjunction with the Downtown Investment District, Lancaster City Council and the Office of the Mayor. The third annual freshman City Tour is scheduled for Saturday, August 25, 2007, in conjunction with the freshman orientation program.

McNairy named Distinguished Daughter of Pennsylvania

President Francine G. McNairy was honored by Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell and the first lady, Judge Marjorie O. Rendell, as one of eight Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania at the 59th annual presentation luncheon at the Governor’s residence on October 11.

“These are remarkable women who represent an integral part of our Commonwealth’s history,” said Judge Rendell.

“All that they do, each and every day, leaves a strong imprint on the lives of others.”

“I’m very flattered to receive this award,” said McNairy.

“It is especially touching since my mother was honored as a Daughter in 1978.”

McNairy was nominated based on, among other things, increasing retention and graduation rates at Pennsylvania public universities, advancing Millersville’s civic engagement agenda through service learning and community based research, and forging international partnerships to prepare graduates for active citizenship in the global community.
Millersville University will host a symposium dedicated to human rights issues.

The Carter G. Woodson lecture will feature Colson Whitehead, who will speak on the topic “Human Rights and Literature.”

He is an award-winning author of The Intuitionist and John Henry Days, which was published in 2001 and is an investigation of the legendary folk hero. It won the Young Lions Award, the Anisfied-Wolf Book Prize, and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize.


One of the featured events will be on Friday, April 20, with the Kenderdine Lecture and Kerry Kennedy. She is the director of Speak Truth to Power and will be speaking on human rights-related issues.

The daughter of Robert F. and Ethel Skakel Kennedy, she has led more than forty human rights delegations to more than thirty countries over the course of two decades. She has worked on diverse issues such as child labor, disappearances, freedom of expression, ethnic violence, the environment, and women's rights. She's the author of Speak Truth to Power, and established the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Human Rights in 1987 and serves on numerous boards and advisory committees relating to the subject of human rights.

Dr. Scott Schaffer, associate professor of sociology, has been very active in planning the symposium. According to Schaffer, other speakers at the symposium are:

Dr. Kevin Bales, president, Free the Slaves, will address the topic of modern slavery.

Stephen Lewis, United Nations Special Envoy for HIV/AIDS in Africa; former Canadian ambassador to the UN; member of the Organization for African Unity's investigative panel on the Rwanda genocide.

Panelists and speakers will also include a number of Millersville University and other local faculty, filmmakers and people who work in human rights-related fields at the local, national and international levels.

Millersville's theater production, The Diary of Anne Frank, is also carrying out the human rights theme.

For more information, contact the Office of the Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, at 717-872-3553 or www.millersville.edu/~humanity

The symposium and all lectures are free and open to the public.

Streetscape banners feature Millersville faces

Four giant, colorful banners don the sides of Ganser Library. These are new additions to campus along with banners along the streets and mounted on other poles throughout campus.

The banners depict the many faces of Millersville—students, faculty and staff. The banner at the left pictures an undergraduate student and a graduate student. Jessica Scheuing, who graduated in December 2006 magna cum laude, majored in speech communication. From Lancaster, she chose Millersville for a quality education close to home. The size of the University also had appeal. Unlike large universities, Jessica liked that at Millersville “you’re not a number.”

Reuban Rajaratnam, business manager for Lancaster Toyota/Mazda, received his MBA from Millersville at the December 2006 commencement ceremony.
Research Report: Making sailing safer

Adverse weather poses a considerable threat to recreational, commercial and military marine operations. Dr. Todd Sikora, assistant professor of meteorology, thinks he has a critical tool to aid in the real-time understanding of surface weather conditions at sea.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, commercial fishing is one of the most dangerous occupations. Having knowledge of the weather conditions at sea can help save lives; however, the current way that surface weather data is obtained at sea is by widely spaced buoys found mostly near coastlines. Little is known about the weather at the surface in the vast areas between these buoys. A three-year $230,000 grant from the Office of Naval Research (ONR) is allowing the team of Sikora and Dr. George Young of Penn State to investigate.

Sikora and Young have been working together for more than a decade studying the meteorological applications of satellite synthetic aperture radar (SAR) imagery. “Our team is one part of a multi-national effort focused on the use of SAR as a marine meteorological tool,” explains Sikora.

According to Sikora, SAR senses the roughness of the surface. “When wind blows over water, very small waves develop that roughen the surface. By using SAR imagery to look at the way those waves are concentrated and organized, we have been able to identify the presence of meteorological phenomena such as fronts and cyclones,” says Sikora.

With the help of Millersville senior Matthew Stepp, Sikora and Young are reviewing about 30,000 SAR images of the Alaska region to identify the presence of other meteorological phenomena such as convection cells.

“SAR images will allow a ship’s captain to decide if it is worth the risk to enter a potentially dangerous area,” says Sikora. Why would anyone want to sail into a high wind speed area in the first place? Sikora says, “Because the ship might be full of perishable fish that are worth a lot of money if brought to port.”

In addition to ONR, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is also interested in the application of SAR to marine meteorology. It has just funded Sikora, along with fellow researchers from the Juneau National Weather Service Forecast Office and Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, $12,000 to study the meteorological uses of SAR in the small inlets and mountain gaps that riddle the southeast coast of Alaska. Sikora says, “The motivation for the NOAA grant is that the winds can become particularly strong in those inlets and gaps, causing a tremendous hazard to maritime and aviation operations.”

Dutcher Hall

The oldest building on Millersville’s campus is ready for the 21st century. Built in 1890, Dutcher Hall was the University’s first gymnasium and later served as the student union (the “Rat”).

The renovations resulted in ADA access as well as making it easier to go from offices to the theater without having to go outside. An elevator, new bathrooms and air conditioning are among the improvements. The new lobby has more space for patrons.

The building is named for Dean Dutcher who was a professor of social studies at Millersville (1927–52). A portrait of Dutcher was restored and now resides in the building.

Above: Dutcher Hall is home to the Rafters Theatre and the University’s theatre program.

Above, left: Ruth Dutcher, the daughter-in-law of Dean Dutcher, attended the dedication of the renovated Dutcher Hall. Her husband, Richard Dutcher ’50, passed away in January 2006.
When Dr. Melvin Allen ’69 came to Millersville University as a student in the 1960s, there were only a handful of black students. “Most of them were from African countries. I was the only one from North Philadelphia,” recalls Allen. Since then the diversity of the University has changed dramatically. “It is gratifying to see the changes here,” says Allen.

For almost forty years, Millersville has been his home, with short stays away periodically for a stint as an official for State APSCUF; to complete his JD degree at Dickinson Law School; to pursue an unfinished Ph.D. in philosophy at Temple; and to do research and study with the famous American philosophers Hilary Putnam, John Rawls and Stanley Cavell while on a sabbatical at Harvard University.

For some, the study of philosophy has its mysteries. Allen explains it by using the Greek derivation of the word, which come from philo for “love” combined with sophia for “wisdom.” He takes it as an imperative that philosophy entails taking the other into account seriously in deciding what is “true” or “just.”

And that has nothing to do with how well educated you are,” he says. “Some of the wisest people in the world are not highly educated.”

Allen has always been an activist. While a student he founded the Black Student Union—an organization still active on campus. In 1998 he co-founded and still heads Project Forward Leap, a non-profit serving eight districts with relatively high dropout or low college matriculation rates. Today he is spearheading the University’s new Civic and Community Engagement and Research (CCERP) initiative.

“To borrow from Thomas Jefferson, the youth of the next generation are to be the leaders of the next and the ‘guardians of the principles we deliver over to them,’” says Allen.

“Our students must come to realize their role in the community, that they have a responsibility to the community in which they live,” says Allen.

He understands that more than most. Growing up poor in Philadelphia, he was the oldest of ten children. Allen’s great-grandfather had been a slave and his grandfather was a sharecropper. At seven years old, the young Allen was carrying coal for the family’s stove and keenly aware that he wanted a better life.

Education would provide the stepping stone to that life. No one in his family had finished school, let alone attended college. He chose Millersville after he visited and was warmly welcomed.

“I expected to have to deal with prejudice, and it existed here. But what surprised me were the people who treated me with sincere acceptance and concern,” he says.

He married his college sweetheart, Sharyn ’71, who taught at Smoketown Elementary School for many years. Their three adult children are a source of great pride. Valarie is a Philadelphia attorney who earned degrees at Harvard University and the University of Pennsylvania. Matt is a computer engineer who also earned his degree at Penn. His youngest, Melanie, went to Harvard, then pursued a career in dance and musical theater, performing as a Rockette and on Broadway. He also has two grandchildren.

Allen’s students know him for his thought-provoking commentary and ironic sense of humor. “He challenges you to think,” says one student.

What they may not know is that Allen is an accomplished cook, preparing a wide range of dishes from Italian shrimp scampi to Southern-style ham hocks and beans with homemade biscuits. “Every week I go shopping for my mother in Philadelphia,” smiles Allen.
It began with a sculpture class that George Mummert ’96 took when he was a student at Millersville University.

When he graduated with a degree in business and geography, Mummert went on to work for the Lancaster County Planning Commission. But that sculpture class and the satisfaction of working with his hands continued to play in his mind.

“I realized that I was a sculptor at heart,” says Mummert. “That is what I really wanted to do.”

As a sculptor, Mummert approaches his work from a scientific level. Many of his high-profile projects are based on reality and natural history—an arrangement of human skulls at Yale University and a triceratops skull at the Smithsonian.

In 2005, he opened the Keystone Art and Culture Center. It is unique in providing access and opportunity in three-dimensional art. While there are many other art galleries and museums in Lancaster, this center focuses on sculpture and related art forms.

Located in a building that had once served as a neighborhood grocery store, the Keystone Center is unassuming from the outside. The center’s exterior persona belies the intriguing works of art in progress that are found inside.

There is a bust of Benjamin Franklin, a huge torosaurus in pieces, molds of the triceratops skull that is now displayed in Washington, D.C., light show shadow boxes of American cities, abstract paintings, sculptures of human skulls and others.

The huge space literally bustles with activity. That’s exactly what Mummert envisioned.

“Across the nation, the inclusion of the arts as a viable economic catalyst is
proving to be highly successful in urban revival efforts,” says Mummert.

“When applied with the correct imagination and strategy, the inclusion of the arts not only increases economic opportunity, but also plays a central role in cultural development.”

Mummert sees the Keystone Center as a forum for arts and education in the Lancaster Community. It is a place where art and science are integrated in the form of sculpture.

More than a few people share Mummert’s vision, most notably Dr. James P. Argires, a highly respected neurosurgeon with Lancaster Neuroscience & Spine Associates. Argires is a benefactor and the namesake for the University’s Science and Technology Building, which is now known as the Dr. James P. and Tasia K. Argires Science Complex – comprised of Caputo Hall, Roddy Hall and Nichols House.

Both of the Argires have been strong supporters of the arts for many years. Tasia, Argires’ wife, is a co-founder of the Keystone gallery.

Argires is also a fledgling sculptor and student of Mummert’s since 2004. As a youth, the acclaimed neurosurgeon was always interested in art, and drew signs and posters. He never pursued his inclination toward art, however, until he received an unusual birthday gift from his daughter Kathleen and her husband Robert Pianka – sculpture lessons with Mummert.

“They thought that since I worked with my hands, I would enjoy sculpture. They were right,” says Argires, who has discovered a great sense of accomplishment and fulfillment as a sculptor.

In the past year, Argires has worked on several sculptures. His sculpture of surgical hands with surgical instruments was auctioned for a Hospice of Lancaster County benefit, while his bust of a Roman senator was sold to benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster. His most ambitious work is a bust of the great statesman Benjamin Franklin, which was molded in clay and will soon be cast in bronze.

Through the course of his experiences as a sculptor, Argires shares Mummert’s enthusiasm for the medium. Argires envisions the center as a forum for art education and opportunity in Lancaster’s arts community.

“There is a lot of attention given to art and painting, but sculpture tends to be somewhat overlooked. We want to change that,” says Argires, adding that it is hoped that the center will be a place where students from Millersville University, Franklin & Marshall College, HAAC, Pennsylvania College of Art & Design, area high schools and other educational institutions can gather to study the arts and sculpture.

Mummert and the Keystone Center has already earned a reputation on the East Coast.

In collaboration with Ike Hay, professor of art emeritus, Mummert was one of the lead artisans on the Millersville University project that created a massive, bronze triceratops skull. It is now permanently installed at the main entrance of the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C. “It was so fulfilling to see the way people began to see it as a landmark,” Mummert says. “It had significance. It had meaning.”

A project for sculpture of human skulls followed and is displayed at the Hall of Human Origins at the Peabody Museum of Natural History at Yale University.

Mummert and his fellow sculptors have also created a 21-foot bronze sculpture of a torosaurus. It was unveiled last October at the Peabody Museum of Natural History.

For the Keystone Art and Culture Center, art is science and science is art – fully integrated in a way that explores the origins of the world and its creatures.

“...the inclusion of the arts as a viable economic catalyst is proving to be highly successful in urban revival efforts.”

-George Mummert
A passion for Art

“What bonds us all together is the wonderful background we received as students at Millersville. We learned to love what we do.”

Kevin Lehman
As a student at Millersville University, Nathan Brumbach learned one—or maybe two—important lessons in life. “Art is the most frustrating thing and the most rewarding thing I have ever done or will ever do,” says Brumbach, who graduated in 2003 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

The Warwick High School alumnus from Lititz credits his Millersville professor, Robert Andriulli, with teaching him how to understand the reality of the paint, how to see and how to feel. “I paint all the time, maybe eight hours a day. It is a passion that runs like a thread throughout every aspect of my life,” says Brumbach. “I know that Bob understands that.”

Brumbach, who is a third cousin of Lancaster’s famed artist, the late David Brumbach, came to his gift naturally. But he has worked hard to hone his talents. He works 40 hours a week at The Great Frame Up in Lancaster, doing art restorations and framing. He spends the rest of his time painting. “I only sleep about four hours a day. The minute I wake up, I paint,” says Brumbach.

He notes that he feels fortunate to work in an art-related field to earn an income, giving him the freedom to pursue his art for art’s sake, not necessarily to sell. He recalls being told that the best career planning comes from finding “what you love and the money will follow.” In his case, he makes a living by working at the framing studio and then painting every spare minute.

Right now, Brumbach is busy working on a series of perceptual studies that bridge abstraction and realism through the use of metaphors. He has become fascinated by the realm of neurotransmitters in the brain, creating paintings that layer organic images, one on top of the other.

As he explains, he works from the heart—and the brain—creating a visual language that is all his own. He is always interested in studying the world around him and interpreting it in a unique way. “Knowledge is the basis of my work. I absorb information everywhere I go.”

Though he maintains that selling his work has never been important to him, he admits that the moment that stands out most for him is the day he held his first solo exhibition at Lancaster Galleries and sold nearly every piece. “My work speaks for itself and I saw that when people came to my exhibition. I watched them stand in front of a painting and I knew they understood,” says Brumbach.

The power to create work that says something is one of the great lessons Brumbach got from Millersville and teachers like Andriulli.

An artist himself, Andriulli has the ability to teach and to learn from his students. He is dedicated as a teacher, fostering emerging artists like Brumbach, Janell Olah and Paul Manlove. At the same time, he remains a powerful influence on Lancaster’s art community with his own paintings that explore light and shadow in memorable ways.

Through the years, Andriulli’s paintings have been exhibited in Maine, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and he has received awards from the National Endowment for the Arts and the New Jersey State Council of the Arts. His work can be seen at Lancaster Galleries, displayed with work from other Millersville artists, in a gallery owned by Millersville alumnus Michael Heberlein ‘75.

Heberlein studied painting at Millersville. Yet, his focus today is on promoting the work of local and regional artists, many of them graduates of his alma mater.
For two Strasburg artists, Millersville University brought them to their love of art—and their love of each other.

Fred Rodger and Regina Martin-Rodger were non-traditional art students at Millersville in the early 1990s. Rodger had been teaching biology at Lampeter-Strasburg High School for 25 years, when he decided to pursue his interest in art. Martin had worked for many years in the restaurant business. She was always intrigued by art and decided to take courses at Millersville.

As luck would have it, the two budding artists wound up in a class being taught by Andriulli. After classes they often went out for a bite to eat with Andriulli. Rodger and Martin never imagined that their pursuit of an art education would lead to more. After all, they were rather cynical about love and even called their get-togethers “cynical night.”

That cynicism faded when they fell in love, explored their art, traveled to Italy and eventually married in romantic Florence in 2000. Meantime, Rodger switched to teaching art at Lampeter-Strasburg, and has since retired.

Rodger and Martin-Rodger believe that their bond as artists works very well in their marriage. They have a unique insight into each other’s artistic passion, and a patience that can only come from understanding.

“We will work for hours at a time, in the same house, sometimes in the same room, never speaking, just working. We have great respect for one another as artists,” says Rodger. “Only another artist knows what that is like.”

Their styles are very different. Rodger’s work has a whimsical, humorous feel to it. He often paints in series, such as nudes, dogs, bicycles and people. In recent years, he has become enamored with Italy and travels there several times a year. He calls his work Cinque Terra, which translates into “five lands” – for the five picturesque towns that line the coast.

Influenced by Italian Renaissance art, Rodger explores the images he has seen in Italian churches and museums, using similar themes, with his own characteristic treatment.

“I am drawn to rich color and texture. I use the art of Renaissance as a spring board to my own interpretation,” says Rodger.

Martin-Rodger earned her degree in art education at Millersville, and has taught students at the Lancaster County Career and Technology Center in Brownstown. She has focused very much on her own art, seeking her own voice as a artist.

Color is a huge part of her work, as she combines unexpected shades and colorations in her serial works that examine subjects that come from her own life and home. She works in acrylics, painting flowers, fruit, wine bottles and even her cherished cats.

“The things in my surroundings somehow find their way into my art,” says Martin-Rodger. “I like subjects that provide warmth and comfort.”

Not long ago, Rodger and Martin-Rodger joined the ranks of other Millersville
graduates who are a part of Lancaster’s thriving gallery scene.

The “First Friday” concept of art galleries staying opened in the evening and featuring other special events has been a huge success for downtown Lancaster. Rodger and Martin-Rodger have joined with other artists and promoters in the Red Raven Art Company on North Prince Street in Lancaster.

They teamed up with former Central Market Art Gallery director Steve Witmer and other local artists like Matt Chambers, George Clark, Eileen France, Art Harrington, Debi Watson, Dick Whiston and Steve Wilson. Red Raven also provides a home for the work of the late C.X. Carlson, a gifted artist, influential educator and promoter of the arts.

Red Raven Art Company focuses on emerging artists, offering unknown artists a venue for their work that they might not otherwise have.

“The combination of recognized artists and emerging artists provides a very eclectic mix of art. It’s very exciting and the response has been outstanding,” says Rodger.

For another Millersville University arts graduate, the world of Paris is her muse. Kimberly (Beitzel) Klein ’71, who goes by the name of K.H. Klein, taught art at J.P. McCaskey High School for two years, then pursued her own artistic expression.

For many years, Klein was known for her quilt art. Today, she explores photographic expression, in a series of works that examine various topics, such as images of Paris, portraits and fairy tales. Her work has been published in House & Garden Magazine and The New York Times.

Her latest collection of work is titled "Reluctant Brides—The Other Side of Fairy Tales." The work features pieced together photographs that have a collage effect and tell their own story.

“My art form is that I cut things apart and put them back together into what I consider to be a more pleasing whole,” says Klein.

Her Reluctant Brides art has been displayed at Gallery dePaul in Lancaster, where Klein is gallery director and works in a studio at the gallery. The artistic director is Thomas DePaul. He sees the gallery as a natural extension of his firm, DePaul Planning & Design, that specializes in corporate and residential interior design nation-wide. Not surprisingly, DePaul is an artist himself and has displayed his still life paintings in the gallery.

Many other notable artists have showcased their work at Gallery dePaul, including Millersville graduate Susan Gottlieb ’81.

Gottlieb has taught and supervised student teachers at Millersville, as well as teaching arts at Lebanon Valley College and Lancaster Country Day School.

However, her greatest passion is being a student of the world. While some artists may travel to the recognized art centers of France and Italy, Gottlieb journeys to unexplored realms for her artistic inspiration.

She has traveled to Vietnam, Cambodia and most recently to Tunisia. Immersed in the culture of the land and its people, she paints in a vibrant color infused style that is essentially abstract, but with recognizable images, such as flowers, clay pots, desert palms and the sun drenched sea.

She was intrigued by the ancient country of Tunisia that dates back to 814 B.C. and held an exhibit that was called “Tunisian Passage” at Gallery dePaul.
“Most people know very little about Tunisia,” says Gottlieb. “It is an incredible, amazing place.”

Tunisia is located in North Africa across the Mediterranean Sea from Italy. The blend of Arab, African and European influences provided Gottlieb with many visual experiences that found their way onto her canvases.

She painted images that were drawn from the sensation of seeing a white lizard scuttling across the sand, or huge dromedary camels grunting in the hot sun. She painted visual representations of the night wind roaring through the Sahara Desert, or the feeling of a soft morning breeze accented by a glowing pink sunrise. The brilliant whitewashed buildings with their traditional deep blue doorways and shimmering colored glass bottles in a vibrant marketplace were other sights that she translated into paintings.

The people of Tunisia influenced her most of all.

“They are so warm and generous. They work very hard and share what they have with visitors. They were fascinated that I was American, because Americans don’t travel to Tunisia,” says Gottlieb, who has also traveled to India, Greece, Belgium, Holland, China, France, England and Spain.

As a lecturer, world traveler and educator, Gottlieb shares her experiences and understanding of the world through her art, a lesson that was rooted in her experiences at Millersville as an art education student.

“I think we are all students of the world around us,” says Ellen Slupe ’95.

Slupe earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree as a non-traditional student, using her experiences at Millersville to explore clay, bronze, photography, printmaking, drawing, watercolors, oils and pastels. Ultimately, Slupe concentrated on mixed media abstract works.

In 2004, Slupe opened Pfenninger Gallery with fellow artist Claire Giblin. Pfenninger was one of the first galleries on Lancaster’s Prince Street row of galleries, luring art lovers to the many galleries that now line the streets of downtown Lancaster. At Pfenninger Gallery, the emphasis is on BIG. The bold, vibrant abstract works are the type of art that demands attention. Most works are large scale and provide the centerpiece to any room.

Until Pfenninger opened, contemporary abstract works often took a back seat to the more recognizable realistic works depicting trees, barns, rivers and other real life images. Slupe and Giblin have made it their mission to give abstract art its place in Lancaster.

“With abstract art, it is all about feeling. What you feel when you see the work,” says Slupe.

Slupe’s most recent work is inspired by science, with repeating steady strokes that celebrate the automatic processes in the world that keep all living things alive. Slupe looks at the similarities between plants, animals and humans, that reduce them into one living organism.

“My art reflects the hum of energy, that pulse of life,” says Slupe, adding that she has become intrigued by the micro level of cellular activity and the macro level of
Millersville University has achieved accreditation by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD).

“NASAD accreditation demonstrates external validation of the high quality and standards of our programs in art and design,” said Dr. John N. Short, dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. “NASAD accreditation is important to our academic programs, to our commitment to the arts in general and to the University’s mission as a whole.”

The granting of accredited institutional membership demonstrates the University’s compliance with NASAD’s procedures, standards and guidelines following a major self-study and intensive peer review, including a site visit.

NASAD institutional membership provides an assurance that Millersville has implemented all standards of the association applicable to the University’s programs in art and design. NASAD, the national accrediting agency for art and design and design-related disciplines, is an association of approximately 248 schools of art and design. NASAD membership consists primarily of collegiate-level institutions, but also includes community and pre-college schools for the visual arts.

Lehman also works hard to combine his creativity as an artist with the necessary business sense to find success.

“I know how to make it, but I need to learn more about how to move it out the door,” says Lehman. As he explains, most artists have a passion for their art, but the business aspect of marketing and selling their work proves to be more challenging.

Some artists teach, others work in galleries and still others have unrelated careers to supplement their income. A few manage to find the resources to live from their art.

“What bonds us all together is the wonderful background we received as students at Millersville. We learned to love what we do,” says Lehman.

And that may be the greatest lesson of all.
Journey to Ghana

“I never could have imagined that life [in other parts of the world] was so different.”

-Michelle Morgan

Above: Students and faculty members who toured Ghana as part of the PASSHE summer honors program.

Right: School children were honored to welcome the college students from America.
The summer of 2006 was unforgettable for Michelle Morgan and Ryan Walker. The Millersville University Honors College students participated in the honors program in “Kingdoms, Nation Building and Democracy: A Journey to Ghana,” an honors program presented by Cheyney University.

Traveling more than 5,000 miles to West Africa, the students combined rigorous academic course work with a two-week tour of Ghana. They experienced the culture, political environment and social life of a country considered to be one of Africa’s most progressive. From the capital city of Accra to aerial walkways high above a rain forest, to a game preserve with lions and elephants, to the chilling tour of the slave castles, the group traveled throughout the different regions of Ghana.

Michelle and Ryan learned that in Ghana the simplest things could take an enormous amount of effort. Tasks such as getting money from an ATM or finding a computer to email news to their families required time and patience. “Transportation is very difficult, although the road infrastructure is surprisingly advanced,” says Ryan.

Fortunately, arrangements had been made for a charter bus to transport the group throughout the country. Appropriately nicknamed “the big red bus,” it was easy for the students to recognize.

To make the most of their stay, the group often visited three different locations each day. A group of entrepreneurial individuals often followed the bus, which had become a traveling landmark. At each stop, they hawked their wares to the Americans as they came off the bus.

This could be annoying and intrusive, recounts Michelle. Ryan, however, found the experience with the street vendors and markets to be fun—especially its intense, but playful interaction. And as the group discovered, although Ghana’s official language is English, many others are used routinely in day-to-day dealings.

Michelle and Ryan agreed that the people they met were incredibly gracious and welcoming.

At Kakum National Park, the aerial, seven-bridge walkway through the tree canopy was an adventure.
For centuries Ghana has played a significant role in international trade. The Portuguese were the first Europeans to arrive on the West Coast of Africa and established a fort at Elmina in 1482. Attracted by the lucrative trading, the Dutch and British soon followed to the area that became known as the Gold Coast for the precious metal that was in demand. It wasn’t long, however, before human life became its chief export.

Beginning in the late 1400s and lasting almost 400 years, the transatlantic slave trade transported millions of Africans across the Atlantic Ocean into a life of bondage. The plantations in the New World were a popular, and profitable, destination for the slave trade.

One of the primary African locales providing slaves for the European colonies was Ghana. The trading stations, built along the coast by the Europeans, became known as slave castles.

Michelle explains that the “castle,” or building itself, represented the hierarchy of the people – royalty and the leaders resided on the top floors, the soldiers were below them and, in the dungeon, were the prisoners who were destined to be sold as slaves. That is, if they survived their time at the slave castle. Prisoners lived in squalor, crowded into a maze of dungeons.

Students toured Elmina, one of the coastal fortresses that had been used as a slave prison and is now a museum. “It was the most memorable and heart-breaking experience of the trip,” says Michelle. “These people were stripped of their culture. Only the strongest survived.”

Countless people died in the castle dungeons from the deplorable conditions. Those who did survive were

“[touring the slave castle] was a very solemn experience... You could almost feel the suffering.”

-Ryan Walker
Over the summer, Dr. Dennis Downey added another title to professor of history, historian and author. He is now the director of Millersville’s Honors College.

Under his direction, he envisions the program taking an active role in “broadening the intellectual and social experience of students on campus.” He hopes to create a “sense of vitality” for the Honors College blending academic, social and civic engagement.

Whether it is collecting donations of warm clothes to help the needy or engaging in one-on-one research with a faculty member, the Honors College helps students to achieve both personal and professional goals.

Downey believes the PASSHE summer honors program provides “a fantastic experience” for the students. Coming up in 2007, California University is hosting the program in Italy. Bloomsburg University has scheduled China for 2008 and in 2009, Shippensburg University will host the program in Belgium.

The natural beauty of Africa – and the scale of trees – was amazing.

chained and shipped off to a life of enslavement. Moreover, many perished during the voyage.

For Ryan, too, this was the most emotional part of the trip–filled with intense symbolism, especially the “door of no return.” He compares the experience of touring the slave castles to what it must be like to visit a Holocaust concentration camp.

“It was very eerie,” he says. “You could almost feel the suffering. It was a very solemn experience. People were walking around in silence.”

Today, the economy of modern Ghana relies on natural resources such as gold, timber and cocoa that are in demand worldwide. Despite its poverty by American standards, Ghana has one of the strongest economies in Africa. And by aligning with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, it has succeeded in attracting foreign investment in the country.

Ryan, a mathematics and economics major, says, “Ghana has seen real economic growth. The people have hope, but it is very tough to find industry.”

For him, the trip to Ghana “added a very profound dimension to appreciating how economics plays out within a culture and the history” of a country.

Ghana has historically been a leader in Africa for democracy and justice, as well as economically. It was one of the first African colonies to gain its independence and has had a stable democratic government for decades. Kwame Nkrumah, Ghana’s first president, tried to unite African nations and is revered throughout Africa.

“Going to Africa... is a real challenge to your perceptions,” says Ryan, who credits the experience with changing “who we are and how we see the world.”

Since they were freshmen, Michelle and Ryan have been involved with the Millersville University Honors College and credit the experience with enhancing them academically and as people.

Scheduled to graduate in May 2007, both students are planning to pursue advanced degrees and are applying to graduate school. Being part of the honors program is just one more competitive advantage these bright students have.

“I feel so lucky to have been part of the trip,” says Michelle. The Honors College experience has “enriched my whole experience at college.”

The summer program, sponsored by Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE), is open to two honors students from each of the 14 universities. It involves two weeks of intensive study at the PASSHE host university and two weeks of study abroad. With tuition and travel expenses paid, students earn credits and have an opportunity to experience the culture of a different part of the world.

Special thanks to Michelle Morgan for the use of her photos.
Hall of Fame inductees

The 12th Annual Athletic Hall of Fame inducted six former Millersville student-athletes and administrators, and the 1981 cross country national championship team, on October 27.

The six individuals are:

Dr. Gene A. Carpenter, head football coach and men's athletics director, who served at the University for 31 years. He is the longest tenured football coach in program history and amassed a record of 212-89-6.

Marge Trout, long-time director of women's athletics and coach of the ? and ? teams served Millersville for 37 years.

Charles “Cake” Alexander ’55 earned four varsity letters in football, three letters in basketball and two letters in track and field. He was selected the most valuable player in football in 1951. He was named to the third-team All-State Teachers Conference in basketball in 1952.

While serving as the head track and field coach at Temple University from 1977-1999, Alexander produced 15 All-Americans while garnering NCAA Eastern Regional Coach of the Year in 1987. Four of his athletes were Olympic Trial qualifiers. Currently the assistant track and field coach at LaSalle University, he is a retired history teacher.

Thomas J. Burns III ’91, a two-year captain on the Millersville football team, was named first-team All-Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) after his junior and seniors seasons. Named a GTE/CoSIDA first-team Academic All-American, he also garnered second-team All-American honors from Don Hansen’s Football Gazette.

He was also named the Male Student-Athlete of the Year for Millersville in addition to earning the Trenchman Award (offensive lineman of the year) in 1990 and 1991. Burns is an attorney at Reed Smith in Princeton, N.J.

Stephen L. Powell ’72 served as captain of the basketball team during his senior year while also being named all-conference and all-ECAC. He earned the Ainsworth Award for MVP after the 1971-72 season. Powell is the president and CEO of Powell Steel Corporation in Lancaster. He is the coach of the J.P. McCaskey High School boys basketball team.

JoAnne (Rupp) Shuman ’96, a four-year member of the cross country and track and field squads, was a three-time champion at the NCAA Division II East Regionals and ECAC Division II champion, leading to recognition as the PSAC Athlete of the Year in 1993, 1994 and 1995.

In 1994 and 1995, Shuman was named the East Region Athlete of the Year after garnering All-America honors in 1993. A four-time All-PSAC selection, Shuman was a three-time conference champion in the 800 meters. She earned All-America status in 1995 with an eighth-place showing in the 1,500 – an event in which she still holds the program’s indoor record (4:45.66).

For the first time the University inducted an entire team into the Athletic Hall of Fame. It commemorated the 25th anniversary of the 1981 men’s cross country team—the only NCAA team champion in Millersville history. The squad featured Greg Cauller ’83, Don Williams ’81, William King ’85, Eric Steudel ’83, Paul Bowman ’84, Gary Owens ’85 and Andy Calsmer ’84. They were coached by Eugene “Cy” Fritz and Jeff Bradley ’74 who were inducted into the Hall of Fame in 2001 and 1995, respectively.

For a complete listing of athletic schedules and game results, visit www.millersville.edu/~athletic or call the 24-hour hotline: 717-871-2111
Millersville University’s new athletic training facility has been named in honor of long-time athletic directors Dr. Gene A. Carpenter and Marjorie A. Trout. Both retired in 2001.

The Carpenter-Trout Athletic Training Facility is a new stand-alone athletics training facility located on the east side of Chryst Field. The training facility is part of the upgrading of athletic facilities in Biemesderfer Stadium. In addition to the training facility, the men’s locker room in the stadium complex was named in honor of Carpenter, and the women’s locker room was named for Trout.

Carpenter, professor of wellness and sport sciences, head football coach emeritus and director of men’s athletics emeritus, and Trout, instructor of wellness and sport sciences and director of women’s athletics emerita, for their demonstration outstanding service to the University. Both were inducted into the Hall of Fame in October (see story on the previous page).

**New athletic training facility**

![Above: Marge Trout and Gene Carpenter with the plaque naming the Carpenter-Trout Athletic Training Facility in their honor.](image)

Left: Members of the men’s soccer team give the new weight room a workout.

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**PSAC Scholar-Athletes**

On the field or in the classroom, Millersville’s scholar-athletes make high marks.

The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Commission announced that 1,579 student-athletes from the league have been recognized as “Scholar-Athletes” for the 2005-06 academic year. There are 101 students from Millersville.

To be eligible for the scholar-athlete awards, student-athletes must attain at least a 3.25 cumulative grade point average while competing in an intercollegiate varsity sport.

![Above: The women’s soccer team had nine members named as scholar-athletes. (Left to right): Madison Vogel, Stacey O’Connell, Rebecca Dickinson, Jacqueline Iannuzzi, Coach Mike O’Brien, Karrine Riggins, Destiny Lee, Melissa Cameron, Kristi Fulkerson and Chrissy Pepper.](image)

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**Golf Classic 2007**

The 2007 Black & Gold Golf Classic is scheduled for May 7 at Bent Creek Country Club in Lancaster. Proceeds benefit Millersville University athletic scholarships and programs. For more information, call 717-871-2308.

**Tune in for games**

Live coverage of some Marauder basketball games—home and away—are being broadcast on www.redzonemedia.com. A limited schedule of games will also be aired on ESPN Radio 1600 (WPDC-AM) based in Elizabethtown, Pa.
The 2006 Homecoming celebration started out with Mother Nature raining on Millersville’s Community Parade, but the clouds soon cleared. By the evening entertainment show, the improvised comedy of Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood had the crowd doubled over with laughter.
Above: Concentrating on making the putt at the alumni golf outing held at Crossgates Golf Course.

Photos at the top, from left to right:
Millersville’s Cultural Showcase involves many groups from across campus.

The parade’s theme this year was “Dance to the Music.”

Upper right corner, Steven DiGuiseppe ’82 had the honor of being the Grand Marshal for the tenth Millersville Community Parade.

Previous page, far left from top to bottom:
The Marauders football team played well but was defeated by Bloomsburg University.

Skully, one of Millersville’s mascots, entertained at the football game.

The Charity King and Queen were recognized at half-time.
Coming Events

Watch your mail for more details or call the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855 for more information about the following events:

**Naples, Florida**
George and Helen Stine will again be hosting this annual luncheon. It is scheduled for Saturday, February 3, at noon, at the Pelican Bay Sandpiper Restaurant. The cost is $15 per person. Florida alumni, please watch your mail.

If you are vacationing in the Naples area this winter and would like to attend, please contact the alumni services office.

**New York City**
On Monday, February 12, the Alumni Association will join forces with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education alumni for a combined event in New York City.

The reception will be at Dave and Busters in Times Square from 6-8 p.m. It will feature a one-hour open beer/wine bar and an appetizer buffet. Cost will be approximately $25 per person.

If you are planning on attending the CASE District I and II Conference, or live or work in the New York City area, come join us. Please contact the alumni services office to make a reservation.

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**Job Expo set for April**

Do you work for a company that is in the process of hiring? Are you an alumnus/na looking for a new job or a career change? If you fit into either of those categories, Millersville’s job expo is for you.

Hosted by Career Services, the expo is scheduled for Wednesday April 25, 11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., in the Reighard Multipurpose Room in the Student Memorial Center.

If your organization would like to have a table at the Job Expo, the fee is $175.

There is no charge to attend the event as an attendee. So brush up those resumes or employment applications and plan to join us on campus.

For more information, or to register your organization, please contact the career services office at 717-872-3312 or visit www.collegecentral.com/millersville/. Career Services is also available to you for resume critiquing, interviewing tips and so much more. Call them today or visit them online at www.millersville.edu/~career

**Hershey Bears**

It’s bear season! Join your fellow alumni to cheer on the Hershey Bears as they take on the Binghamton Senators on Saturday, March 3, at 7 p.m. at the Giant Center. The Alumni Association is subsidizing a portion of the ticket price, bringing the cost per ticket to just $16.

The first block of tickets – in section 118, on the ice – is sold out. However, tickets for the event are still available with seating as close to this section as possible.

You don’t have to be a hockey fan to enjoy a day with the Bears – fun is guaranteed for all! Call the alumni services office at 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352, or visit us online at www.villealumni.com to make your reservations.

**Legacy breakfast**

The mercury was low but school spirit was high on a brisk November morning when Millersville alumni gathered for breakfast in the Bimiesderfer Center.

The annual Legacy Breakfast is an opportunity for current students whose parents and relatives went to Millersville to mingle with other families who choose to follow the same path. This year there were 16 families that attended.

Among the speakers were Dr. Kathleen Brabson ’70, president of the Alumni Association, and University President Francine G. McNairy.

**The Roth family from Reading attended the Legacy Breakfast. Left to right: Carl Roth, Kristen ’06, Justin and Susan Roth ’78. Kristen is in graduate school at Widener University. Justin, a communications major, is enrolled at Millersville.**
**United Campus Ministries anniversary**

On March 2, alumni and friends of United Campus Ministries will gather at Millersville University to celebrate forty years of ministry on campus. Alumni of UCM or of any predecessor groups (Lutheran and Methodist Student Movements) and friends should contact Rev. Darrell Woomer, campus minister, for more information at 717-872-3355 or darrell.woomer@millersville.edu.

**Dolphin Divas and Divo water show**

Get back in synch with your fellow Dolphinettes!

Millersville University’s Dolphins synchronized swimming club, founded in 1950, will host its annual water show on Sunday, February 25, at 2 p.m.

Following the performance at the pool in Pucillo Gym, the Dolphins will host a reception for Dolphin alumni to catch up with old friends and to meet the new team. The reception will be held 4:30-6:30 p.m. in Gordinier Hall.

Come out to support the current team, and encourage them to “break a fin” in this year’s show, “Dolphin Divas and Divo!” Cost for the show and reception is just $4. For reservations, call the alumni services office at 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.

**Alumni Weekend ‘07**

**SPRING BACK TO MILLERSVILLE: APRIL 20-21**

**Highlights include:**

**Friday, April 20**

- Ad Astra Society luncheon for those alumni who have graduated from Millersville more than 50 years ago, in Gordinier Hall.

- Kenderdine Lecture. The speaker is Kerry Kennedy, who established the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Human Rights in 1987. Lyte Auditorium in Alumni Hall, 5:30 p.m.

- Hobbs-Wickersham Luncheon, Gordinier Hall.

**Saturday, April 21**

- Honors and Awards Convocation, Pucillo Gymnasium, 10 a.m.

- All Alumni Luncheon & Awards Recognition. The scheduled keynote speaker is Congressman Joseph Pitts, Lehr Room, Gordinier Hall, 12 noon.

**Afternoon activity choices:**

- Alumni Memorial Service: Old Main Room, Gordinier Hall, 3 p.m.

- Underground Railroad Bus Tour: Lancaster, Pa. (Details not set at time of printing)

- Class of 1957 Reunion Dinner

- Performance of *The Diary of Anne Frank* followed by a reception in the newly renovated lobby of Dutcher Hall (evening).

All alumni, whether from the Class of 1929 or 2006, are invited to Alumni Weekend at Millersville University on April 20-21.

In addition to the traditional events of the weekend, there will be lots of new activities to choose from, such as a tour of Underground Railroad destinations in Lancaster County.

The University is also sponsoring a Human Rights Symposium that is being held on campus April 19-21. This symposium will feature major speakers including human rights activist Kerry Kennedy and noted author Colson Whitehead. (See page 7 for more details on the symposium.)

Watch your mail for information highlighting all of the weekend’s events and visit www.villealumni.com for the latest information about all alumni events.
PASSHE travel plans

›› April 7-18: Imperial Jewels of China. The trip includes a Yangtze River Cruise; five-star hotels in Shanghai, Xian, Beijing and a pre-option in Hong Kong. Prices start at $2,827 (+ air tax). Price includes air, all tours and meals.

›› July 3-16: British Isles Cruise. Board the Grand Princess and visit London and Guernsey, England; Wales; Dublin and Belfast, Ireland; Glasgow, Kirkwall and Edinburgh, Scotland; Paris/Normandy, France. Prices start at $3,425 including airfare. There is a pre-trip option for London.

›› August 10-17: Alaska Cruise. Ports of call include Juneau, Sitka, Ketchikan, Alaska and Victoria, British Columbia; also scenic cruising in Frederick Sound and Tracy Arm, Alaska. There is an optional pre-cruise rail land package. Cruise pricing begins at $1,797/pp (includes air from Philadelphia or Pittsburgh).

›› October 27 - November 8: African Safari. Experience the best of Kenya with a ten-day driving safari accompanied by an experienced guide. Stops include a magnificent array of national parks as well as the beautiful countryside of Kenya. Prices start at $4,500.

For more information, contact Cruisin’ Inc./Main Line Vacations at 800-506-7447 or www.alumnivacations.com and click on Millersville University (under school dropdown box) for more details/reservations.

Destinations trips

›› March 4: Opening day of the Philadelphia Flower Show “Legends of Ireland" - $75
›› March 10: Mary Poppins - $165 or Wicked - $185 (Sold out). Both shows are very hard to get tickets to.
›› April 21: The Pirate Queen - $175 or The Lion King - $185
›› May 12: Gourmet Shopping trip in NYC with a step-on guide - $75
›› June 2007: Hershey Park
›› September 2007: U.S. Open Tennis Tournament
›› October 20: Wicked - $185

Prices are per person. The trips include coach bus transportation, driver gratuity and boxed gourmet breakfast.

Tickets for Broadway shows include orchestra or mezzanine seating. For detailed overviews of the shows, visit www.bestofbroadway.com.

For additional details or to make reservations, please contact the Special Events office at 717-871-2308; email: specialevents@millersville.edu or www.millersville.edu/~muevents.

Kudos Korner

A great big thank you to those alumni who have helped with the following alumni events:

Day of Caring Freshman Community Service Project Day
Kathy Brabson ’70
Anne Bruner ’72
David Hernandez ’71
RoseMary Litz ’67
Helen Koken-Seiss ’61
Gus Seiss
George Stine, retired faculty
Helen Stine ’64
Cheryl Youtz ’69

Fall GradFest
›› Ken Decker ’65

Homecoming Events
Kathy Brabson ’70
Rich Frerichs ’64
Deb Rohrer ’04
David Hernandez ’71
Jen Strobel ’95
Amy Hoffman ’94
Fay Kramer ’62
Cheryl Youtz ’69
Dominick DiNunzio ’53
Mary Lehr ’58
Mike Henry ’83
Ryan Berardi ’05
Art Drescher ’64
Herb Karlip ’64
Connie Hemerly ’79M
Angie Hess
Merle Schnee ’59 & Donna Schnee

Thank you also to our dozens of alumni volunteers who helped with the Millersville Community Parade.

ALUMNI EVENT INFORMATION

For event information:
Call the Millersville University Alumni Services Office at 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.
email: mualumni@millersville.edu

To register for an event online:
www.villealumni.com
Click on Event Registration; locate the event and click Register Now.
On Saturday, November 11, the sisters of Sigma Phi Delta celebrated their 40th anniversary reunion with 87 alumni, students and guests in attendance.

Jen Maurizzio ’05, alumni advisor to this social-service sorority, offered reflections to the group. Since its founding 40 years ago, Sigma Phi Delta has raised more than $60,000 for the American Cancer Society.

One alumna from the 1970s jokingly asked if Millersville would provide wheelchairs so she’d be able to attend the 50th anniversary reunion. Dianne O’Connor, alumni director, told her, “Of course we will.” But after spending an evening with this group, O’Connor realized, the alumna won’t need one. The spirit of her sisters will carry her.
Nominations sought

The Millersville University Alumni Association is seeking nominations for new board members and for its two most prestigious awards, the Distinguished Service Award and the Honorary Alumnus/na Award. All nominations must be submitted to the Alumni Services office no later than February 16 (see below for address information).

Board Member. If you are, or if you know an MU alumnus/na who is dedicated to the University and who desires to see the University continue to grow and prosper through the efforts of the Alumni Association; or if you wish to be more involved with the Association and its activities through volunteer efforts, please consider submitting a nomination for board membership. Include the name and class year of the nominee, the address and other pertinent contact information. Nominees will be contacted to determine their consent and additional information regarding the Association.

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest honor bestowed by the Millersville University Alumni Association. MU alumni, faculty, administrative staff or any person familiar with the person’s achievements may nominate a candidate by submitting a letter of recommendation to the alumni office. There is no official application form for this award, and therefore, the letter should outline the individual’s achievements in detail: service qualifications (including location and length of service); how the service was accomplished, a thorough description of relevant achievements, and a summary of the nominee’s achievement. The recommendations should specify what beneficial impact the nominee’s service had on the Alumni Association and/or the University. Additional materials to substantiate the value of service are welcome and a photograph is also encouraged.

The Honorary Alumnus/na Award for Outstanding Service is awarded to a non-alumnus who has performed continuous service to the University or has made significant contributions of time, talent or wealth to Millersville. Nominations should include detailed information concerning the individual’s service, and be submitted to the alumni office for consideration. There is no application form for this award; please send detailed letters of recommendation for consideration for each nomination.

Recipients of both awards will be honored at the University Honors and Awards Convocation and the All-Alumni Luncheon held on April 21, during Alumni Weekend. All nominations should be submitted to the alumni services office no later than February 16, 2007.

Submit nominations to:
Alumni Services Office, P.O. Box 1002, Millersville University, Millersville, PA 17551-0302.

For additional details, please call 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.

Sigma Pi reunion at Millersville

On September 30, more than 40 Millersville Sigma Pi alumni and active brothers got together for their first-ever alumni reunion.

Alumni attending ranged from the early seventies through 2006 and a great time was had by all.

Rob Grant ’81 (Sig Pi pledge class of spring 1977) noted the goal of those attending is to form an alumni association for Millersville Sigma Pi, Sigma Epsilon Beta and Alpha Kappa brothers.

“We are aggressively attempting to track down all of our missing brothers from the 1960s through the present,” writes Grant.

A bit of Millersville Greek history: In 1976, Sigma Epsilon Beta was the local fraternity that became Sigma Pi. Sigma Pi merged with Alpha Kappa in 1984.

For further information contact Rob Grant at 302-654-8848 or visit the Millersville Sigma Pi website at http://zetagamma.net/.
1960s

Lee Smeltz ’62, Sauderton, retired from Wesco Industrial Products, Inc., as the vice president of manufacturing.

Dennis P. Leeper ’63, Bervyn, retired from Temple University on 2/10/06.

John A. Titus Jr. ’64, Lancaster, was honored with the Lifetime Service to Wrestling Award and induction into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. He is a retired coach from Conestoga Valley School District.

Richard J. Hall III ’65, Bethel, Alaska, retired following 35 years of elementary teaching from the Midd-West School District in Middleburg, Pa. He has since started teaching seventh grade at Bethel Regional High School in southwestern Alaska, 400 miles from the nearest major roadway.

Georgine “Mitzi” (Nixon) Buechele ’67, Greensburg, retired from teaching in 2003. She recently formed G. M. Buechele Consulting and is working as a career consultant.

Sue (Prendergast) Francis ’68, Strasburg, was awarded the Celebrate Literacy Award from the Keystone State Association, the state affiliate of the International Reading Association. She is a teacher at Conestoga Valley School District’s Reading K-12 and Early Childhood Coordinator.

Ann B. Gay ’69, Tunkhannock, retired from teaching following 37 years with the Tunkhannock School District.

William Pezza ’69, Bristol wrote a novel, Anna’s Boys, that traces the friendship of a group of boys from high school, through their Vietnam experience, to their present day outlook on the Middle East. He appeared on the Comcast Network program “Your Morning” to discuss the book.

John Y. Stoutl ’69, Chester Springs, retired in June from the Boyertown Area School District.

1970s

Jack Marshall ’70, Huntingdon Valley, retired after 36 years as a teacher for the Abington School District.

Russell A. Benfer ’71, Turbotville, was named to Whos Who Among Americas Teachers and recognized by the National Honor Roll of Outstanding American Teachers.

Kimberly (Beitzel) Klein ’71, Lancaster, is the gallery director of Gallery dePaul in Lancaster. In September, she taught a photography workshop in Paris, France. (See the feature on pages 12-17 for more information.)

Sharon Carley Stover ’72, Harleysville, retired following 31 years as a librarian with the North Penn School District.

John R. Snyder ’73, Palmyra, retired after 33 years of teaching at Hershey Senior High School. He taught German and social studies and helped to initiate the advanced placement program in European history.

Frederick W. Windish ’73, Bethlehem, retired from the Allentown School District in August 2006, after 33 years of service as print shop and tech ed teacher. He is serving as director of marketing and public relations for Drum Corps Associates, Inc.

Michael N. Lavigne ’74, San Francisco, Calif., had his debut novel published by Random House. In the book, Nor Me, a father and son relationship is explored through the father’s Holocaust experience.

Kirby L. Martzall ’74, Lancaster, received the Vistage Chair Excellence Award, recognizing him as a CEO who has provided exceptional value to the members of the Vistage Group.

Brian Wilkes ’74, Marion, Ky., was honored by the governor and legislature of Kentucky with the state’s highest award, the title of colonel, in recognition of his work to teaching and promoting the Cherokee language and culture. He is the founder and executive director of Standing Bear Foundation, which offers the only Native American language courses in the state, and has been involved in Native American health and education initiatives in the U.S. and Peru.

Jerry Beck ’75, Denver, Pa., was named commander of Pennsylvania’s 28th Infantry Division of the National Guard in October.

Vicki (Kaylor) Lutzkanin ’75, Middletown, was named Middletown Area School District’s Reading K-12 and Early Childhood Coordinator. She is a teacher at Conestoga Valley School District’s Reading K-12 and Early Childhood Coordinator.

Clarence H. Preitz ’51, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and his wife Elizabeth celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with an event held at the University of Alberta, where he is a professor emeritus.

Richard H. Kuhn ’57, Pensacola, Fla., was selected for the fifth time to Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers 2006.
District’s Teacher of the Year for 2006-07. She guest lectures at Shippensburg University for the elementary education department.

Denise E. Boyer ’76, Lancaster, is serving as Susquehanna Bank’s branch manager for their Manheim and Penn Valley locations.

Diane M. Cohle ’76, West Chester, has been appointed principal of Hillside Elementary School in the Tredyffrin/Easttown School District.

Richard A. Hohenwarter ’76, Lancaster, is an estimator with Keystone Construction, Manchester Township.

Dianne R. DiMeglio ’76, Leola, was awarded the Conestoga Valley Award of Excellence in May 2006. She teaches art at Fritz Elementary.

Elizabeth A. Ford ’77, San Leandro, Calif., joined Every Child Counts First Alameda County, as the director of the early care and education division.

Eugene Melody ’77, Aberdeen, N.J., was named senior litigation attorney for the law firm of Martin-Melody, Esq., in Little Silver, N.J.

Catherine L. Yoder ’77, Lancaster, has been named director of resident services, marketing and administration for Phoebe Ministries.

Lee Ann (Uliasz) Graul ’79, Bel Air, Md., is a part-time faculty assistant at the University of Maryland/University College following the receipt of her MBA from the school. She has worked for the U.S. Department of Defense for the past 28 years.

Kenneth D. Miesemer ’79, Palmyra, was named senior consultant at St. Onge Co., a supply chain logistics engineering company.

Karen L. (Gill) Monsour ’79, Pompano Beach, Fla., is director of nuclear medicine for Signet Diagnostic Imaging Services.

Dana Smith-Mansell ’79, Pottsville, retired from her career in special education and is the author of the children’s book, Stop Bullying Bobby! Helping Children Cope with Teasing and Bullying. In addition to writing for the greeting-card market, she is a published poet, illustrator, photographer and inspirational non-fiction writer.

1980s

Kristen C. Westerhoff ’80, Lancaster, has retired as the coordinator of special services for the Conestoga Valley School District.

Kevin B. Mahoney ’81, Malvern, was appointed senior vice president & chief administrative officer at the University of Pennsylvania Health System.

Matthew Soto ’81, Millersville, is an industrial arts teacher for Penn Manor High School. He also coaches their field hockey team.

Pete Baurer ’82, Egg Harbor Township, N.J., has been with Computer Sciences Corp. for more than 20 years. He manages software and systems engineering projects.

Steven A. DiGuiseppe ’82, Millersville, was the grand marshal for the 2006 Millersville Community Parade. He is the executive director of alumni, special events & data management at Millersville University.

Jeffrey Snow ’82, Lancaster, was hired as assistant creative director at White Good & Company Advertising.

Kristen A. (Froehlich-McCaskey) Albert ’83, Gap, received a doctorate degree in educational leadership from the University of Delaware in May 2006. She is an assistant professor and chair of the department of music education at West Chester University.

Christine J. Marshall ’83, Aston, is the co-operative coordinator for Delaware County Technical School.

Jean L. Scholz ’83, Strafford, is a research specialist at M. Cancro Lab at the University of Pennsylvania.

Cindy A. Schweitzer ’83, Adamstown, was hired as Union Township manager.

Marjorie A. Keener ’84, Lititz, is an elementary teacher for Manheim Township School District.

Dominick A. DiMichael ’85, Exton, was promoted to senior safety and health consultant with High Safety Consulting Services, Ltd.

Leslie Goldman-Portner ’86, Jenkintown, joined Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors as a sales associate.

Neil L. Wilker ’86, Kirkwood, is Fulton Bank’s branch manager of one of their local offices in Lancaster.

Jami S. Karr ’87, Lancaster, was named one of the Best 50 Women in Business by the Northeast Pennsylvania Business Journal for her chiropractic work.

Judith M. Owens ’87, Pottstown, was recently hired as the principal of Kennedy-Kenrick High School.

Nancy (Jefferies) Wunderly ’87, West Hartford, Conn., is the admissions director for Saint Joseph’s College in West Hartford.

Robert Carey ’88, ’98M Lititz, received his doctorate in psychology from Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Robert C. Rathsam ’88, Lancaster, was named chief financial officer at Charter Homes & Neighborhoods.

Andrew K. Brubaker ’89, Strasburg, was named operations manager at E.G. Stoltzfus Construction in East Lampeter Township.

1990s


Andrea L. Brown ’90, Lancaster, was hired as United Way’s assistant director of Success by 6, its early care and learning initiative.

Scott A. Deisle ’90, Lititz, is the principal at Kennard-Dale High School in the South Eastern School District.

Kerry B. Hagel ’90, Mountville, was promoted to vice president and group manager of Fulton Bank.

Rebecca A. Lytle ’90, Lancaster, is an associate with the Lancaster law firm of Harmon & Davies, PC.

Thomas M. Charles ’91, Lancaster, was hired as cost accountant for National Pretzel Holdings, Lancaster.

Margaret A. Cunha ’91, Manheim, was named assistant director of counseling and community teams for Family Services in Lancaster.

Michael I. Davies ’91, Elizabethtown, joined the direct funding division of American Home Bank as a customer relations manager.

Maureen S. (Blair) Davis ’91, Stratford, N.J., is a sixth grade teacher for North Hanover Township Public Schools, McGuire Air Force Base.

Patrick G. Hruz ’91, Quarryville, was hired as principal of Middletown Area High School.

Stacey L. King ’91, Lancaster, was named American Heart Association’s Lancaster County 2005-06 Volunteer of the Year. She co-chaired the 2006 Heart Ball, helping to raise more than $170,000.

Michael J. McGee ’91, Denver, Pa., was named executive vice president of the Home Builders Association of Chester and Delaware counties.

Christopher C. Siegfried ’91, Liberty Lake, Wash., has become the winningest coach in arenafootball2 league history.
Seeing double at Willow Valley

A little more than ten years ago, Danielle ’99 and Michelle ’00 Pontelandolfo were recovering from knee surgery [both tore their ACLs within a few weeks of each other – on the same leg (right) – playing the same sport (field hockey)] at complete opposite ends of the hospital; they had to be separated so the nursing staff would not mix up their medications.

This fall they participated in a scientific study involving twins in Chicago. They were given a series of tests as simple as puzzles and small tasks, to being hooked up to electrodes that measured their brain activity while being shown a variety of photos, from cute babies to tragic accident scenes.

But anyone, no medical degree required, who comes in contact with them can tell these ladies have a lot in common—from marriage, motherhood, careers and even employers.

“When we got married, both of us dropped eight letters from our last name,” noted Michelle, now Mrs. Andrew Loucks. “And both of our husbands are German-Lutheran,” added Danielle, married to Fred Geyer ’99.

They both have sons – Michelle is mom to Adam, 15 months old, and Danielle’s son, Xander, is three years old – and living just six minutes apart gives the boys plenty of opportunities for frequent play dates.

At Millersville, both earned bachelor’s degrees in social work. They were not, however, roommates: this was because they both were resident assistants, in the former Tanger Hall, now known as Hobbs Hall. Across the hall from Michelle lived her future sister-in-law, and Danielle’s future husband was also on campus. The twins shared everything from clothes to checking accounts in college, and now share identical titles at Willow Valley Retirement Communities.

As managers of resident services, Michelle works at the Lakes community, while Danielle is at the Manor.

The Pontelandolfo twins (left to right) – Danielle Geyer ’99 and Michelle Loucks ’00 – are both managers of resident services at Willow Valley Retirement Communities in Willow Street.

When Danielle introduces her sister to a resident, she explains, “We’re twins, in case you think you’re seeing double!”

It seems their supervisor put them at opposite ends of the retirement community, so the residents would not mix them up.

Michele Beauchamp-Teese ’91, Lancaster, teaches twelfth grade English at Manheim Township High School as well as speech and strategic literacy.
Scott A. Mitchell ’92, Lititz, was promoted to partner at the law firm of Gibbel, Kraybill & Hess.
Todd J. Feddock ’93, Lititz, is practicing dentistry at the Lancaster dental firm of Thomas S. Lynch Ltd.
Heather J. Hibshman ’93, Ephrata, was honored as one of Central Pennsylvania’s “Forty under 40” award winners. She is the executive director of the Pa. Breast Cancer Coalition.
Greta G. Kernicky ’93, Mount Joy, was hired as the community relations coordinator for the Milanof-Schock Library in Mount Joy.
Kari C. Thomas ’93, Langhorne, was awarded the American Society of Travel Agents 2006 Young Professional of the Year Award.

Steven R. Yacovelli ’93, Orlando, Fla., was named manager of leadership development for Tupperware Brands Corporation.
Donna M. (Matthews) Blaney ’94, Rockville, Md., teaches eighth grade science in Montgomery County, Md. She also serves as the magnet coordinator for Parkland Magnet Middle School for Aerospace Technology.
Kathleen M. Buckwalter ’94, East Petersburg, is a family and consumer science teacher for the Penn Manor School District.

Gregory H. Hetrick ’94, Etters, was named regional sales manager for Central Pa. with United Concordia Companies Inc.
Amy R. Hoffman ’94, Mount Joy, became the executive director of Elizabethtown Child Care Center in May 2006.

Melinda A. Mendoza ’94, Lancaster, is a sales associate with Coldwell Banker Homesale Services in Willow Street.
Bradley G. Miller ’94, Charleston, S.C., joined WCSC-TV, Charleston, as a weekend meteorologist and reporter.

Cindy (Rogowitz) Murphy ’94, Wilmington, Del., is completing her master’s degree in counseling psychology at Immaculata University and recently launched TeenWellness, a yoga and counseling program in Wilmington, Del.

Craig L. Parkinson ’94, West Chester, was hired as assistant principal at Phoenixville Area High School.

Karen C. (Boyer) Sanders ’94, Manheim, was included in Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers and National Honor Roll’s Outstanding American Teachers for 2006. She teaches for the School District of Lancaster and writes lessons plans for ExplorePAHistory.com.

Donald R. Geiter ’95, Lancaster, joined the law firm of Barley Snyder LLC, concentrating on creditors’ rights, bankruptcy, banking and business law.

Daisy M. Lilley ’95, Lancaster, is the marketing manager for Lancaster Country Day School.

Keith E. Mellinger ’95, Frederickstown, Va., has been awarded a grant from the National Security Agency for a two-year research project. He is an assistant professor of mathematics at the University of Mary Washington.

Ronald Pfeiffer ’95, Lancaster, is a sales associate with Coldwell Banker Homesales Services in Willow Street.

Tony M. Roda ’95, Lancaster, was named senior art director at Weber Advertising and Marketing.

Kevin M. Stumpf ’95, Hummelstown, was named chief financial officer and senior director of business operations for Curve Baseball LP, Altoona.

Jennifer L. (Radka) Wilson ’95, Leesport, is the chief financial officer for the Reading Public Museum.

Alexander Banias ’96, Reinholds, graduated from the Reading Hospital’s School of Registered Nursing program in July 2006.

Danielle S. (Ciccocioppo) Eslehman ’96, Mountville, is a reading specialist for the Columbia Borough School District.

Todd Fischer ’96, Lancaster, was promoted to assistant vice president at Town & Country Leasing, an affiliate of Sterling Financial Corporation. He manages the company’s collection department.

Krista M. Fuchs ’96, Downingtown, is a sales associate for Prudential Fox & Roach Realtors.

Ellen R. Haupt ’96, Lancaster, is the nursing home administrator for Luther Acres Manor, Lititz.

Brian K. LaPierre ’96, Millersville, graduated from the University of Chicago with a Ph.D. in history.

Larry E. Lawson ’96, Phoenixville, is a sales associate for Weichert Realtors, Collegeville.

Stephen J. Rodriguez ’96, Reading, was hired as Pottstown High School’s principal.

Brian T. Garney ’97, Dover, Del., is a flight instructor to corporate pilots at Flight Safety International, Wilmington, Del.

Kenneth W. Kilgore ’97, Lititz, is a foot and ankle specialist, is with Lititz Podiatry.

Douglas M. Leader ’97, Harrisburg, is a senior claims adjuster for Nationwide Insurance.

Leequan D. Ray ’97, Columbia, received her doctorate in epidemiology from Touro University International in Cypress, Calif.

Janet J. Bailey ’98, East Petersburg, is a branch manager for the Lancaster Public Library System.

Jonathan D. Eckroat ’98, Lancaster, is the new owner/operator of Stone Hill Nursery in Conestoga.

Harmony Hansen-Piester ’98, Jefferson, N.J., completed her master’s degree in elementary education from William Paterson University.

Travis M. Hauguel ’98, Germantown, Md., is a health specialist with the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.

James “Scott” Lockington ’98, San Diego, Calif., was appointed information security specialist for the City of San Diego Data Processing Corporation. He is also an investment partner for Autumn Leaf Real Estate and is a certified personal fitness trainer.

Michelle T. (Profili) Blake ’99, Lancaster, was promoted to director of outpatient services at T.W. Ponessa and Associates, Lancaster.

Edward L. Gnall ’99, Hershey, is the principal at Cenwego Elementary School in the Lower Dauphin School District.

Curtis L. Hershey ’99, Lancaster, is a physician with Lincoln Family Medicine in Ephrata.

Ryan K. Hough ’99, Lancaster, is an earth science teacher at Penn Manor High School. He also coaches the school’s soccer team.

Jamal E. Palmer ’99, Philadelphia, was named the interim head of schools in the Manheim Township Borough School District.

Jonathan R. Graf ’00, Pittsburgh, was named as acting principal for Indian Creek Junior High School.

Jessica A. Johnson ’00, Ephrata, is teaching music in two elementary schools in the Manheim Township School District.

Amy Kehm ’00, Harrisburg, is working as a producer/reporter at WHTM-TV (ABC27).

Edward J. Kropewnicki ’00, Lancaster, was featured on HGTV’s show on “Bad, Bad Baths.” His neon “nightmare” bathroom was remodeled on the program.

Holly E. Newpower ’00, Bainbridge, was appointed manager of Royer’s Flowers and Gifts in Camp Hill.

Iris Y. Alvarado ’01, Lancaster, was promoted to mortgage originator for Fulton Mortgage Company.

Alyasa (Simons) Conway ’01, Erdenheim, received a bachelor’s degree in nursing from Villanova University. She is a labor and delivery nurse at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania.

Christopher Driscoll ’01, Newtown Square, recently received his master’s degree in public administration and was promoted to manager of IT operations for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at Villanova University.

Steven B. Hill ’01, West Chester, was hired as the environmental, safety and health manager at EDI-Sciences at Villanova University.

Jamie L. Kleman ’01, Catasaqua, is beginning a four-year Peace Corps program on sustainable agriculture and forestry in Africa.
Jennifer M. Knuth ’01, Hollidaysburg, received her master’s degree in education from Penn State University.

Ryan G. Miller ’01, Lancaster, was named art director for Weber Advertising & Marketing.

Kathryn (Karlagave) Strite ’01, is a ninth-grade learning support teacher at Indian Crest Junior High School in the Sauderton Area School District.

Julie K. Wells ’01, Ephrata, was promoted to media services officer in the marketing department at Fulton Financial Corp.

Erik M. Albright ’02, Columbia, was named an accounting officer in the controller’s department at Fulton Financial Corp.

Teri M. Birch ’02, Marietta, is a 2006 recipient of the John Frederick Steinman Foundation fellowship. He is a graduate student at Temple University, studying social work.

Brian Bowers ’02, Palmyra, accepted a position as an economic development analyst for PA’s Department of Community and Economic Development.

Maggie Brann ’02, Strasburg, is teaching elementary art in the Penn Manor School District.

Rodney W. English ’02, Elizabethtown, is teaching French and Spanish at Solanco High School.

Steven L. Ascher ’03, Portland, Ore., is the head coach of men’s and women’s tennis at Portland State University.

Mark A. Burke ’03, Quakertown, athletic director at Chestnut Hill Academy, is now also coaching the school’s basketball team.

Cherie L. Cryer ’03, Chambersburg, received her CPA certification and is a senior staff accountant at Rotz and Ston/esifer.

Amy L. (Moyer) Horner ’03, Berkeley Springs, W.Va., a third grade teacher was profiled in the local newspaper’s teacher spotlight for her excellence in elementary education.

Megan A. Kaufman ’03, Lancaster, is teaching Spanish at Solanco High School.

Michelle A. Knapp ’03, Lancaster, received her master’s degree in forensic medicine from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in July.

Michelle L. Sheaffer ’03, Chambersburg, is teaching first grade in the Chambersburg Area School District.

Justin S. Baylor ’04, Millersville, is teaching first grade for Hambright Elementary in the Penn Manor School District.

Nicholas E. Browne ’04, West Chester, has been named as editor of the Downingtown Ledger.

Edmund P. Garvey ’04, Lancaster, is a 2006 recipient of the John Frederick Steinman Foundation fellowship. He is working on his master’s degree in psychology at Millersville University.

Jessica L. Grudowski ’04, Philadelphia, is employed by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

David G. Prosperi ’04, Fairless Hills, is employed by AppTec in Philadelphia.

Samuel C. Slaymaker ’04M, Lancaster, was named executive director for the Rock Ford Foundation, Lancaster.

Tara L. Strickler ’04, Leola, has been accepted to Ohio State University’s Ph.D. program in environmental ecology.

Tessa M. Torborg ’04, Marietta, is a learning support teacher for the Columbia Borough School District.

Ryan W. Vandenberg ’04, Gap, has been hired by ROI Research Inc. as senior program developer and data analyst.

Katie Vanella ’04, Yardley, received her master’s degree from Wilkes University and is teaching first grade in the Quakertown School District.

Justin Q. Wartella ’04, Pottsville, has been named coordinator for Kelchner Fitness Center at Mansfield University.

Kristen B. Arnold ’05, Lancaster, is a third grade teacher for the Penn Manor School District.

Marie E. Beigel ’05, Lancaster, received her master’s degree in psychology from Temple University.

Amber E. Crow ’05, Middletown, is a ninth-grade English teacher for the Solanco School District.

Patrick J. Curran ’05, Lemoynne, works in financial services with Flagstar Bank Home Lending Center.

Kayla Heckman ’05, Chambersburg, Md., is the high school technology education teacher for Greensdale-Annville School District.

Natalie J. Hetrich ’05, Lancaster, was named a recipient of a 2006 John Frederick Steinman Foundation fellowship studying at Chestnut Hill College for a master’s degree in psychology.

Dennis J. Huggard ’05, Lancaster, is a realtor with Coldwell Banker Homesale Services Group in Ephrata.

Christina J. Lebbad ’05, Titusville, N.J., is a first grade teacher at Toll Gate Grammar School.

Christopher M. Lituma ’05, Fairless Hills, is beginning a master’s degree program in wildlife biology at Texas A&M.

Aaron M. Popp ’05, Halifax, teaches Spanish in the Tri-Valley School District.

Christina R. Quinn ’05, Norristown, is beginning a Ph.D. program in forest ecology at Syracuse University.

Alison K. Spade ’05, Camp Hill, is a fifth grade teacher in the Manheim Township School District.

Crystal L Bauscher ’06, Lehertsvil/le, has been accepted into graduate school for occupational therapy at Alvernia College.

Carrie J. (Warsz) Blakeslee ’06, Lawrenceville, is a graduate student at St. Joseph’s University.

Johanna B. Holm ’06, Saylorsburg, is employed by AppTec in Philadelphia, in cell banking.

Marlene E. Jordan ’06, Lancaster, was named a Collegiate All-American Scholar.

Nearly 70% of all MU students receive financial aid.

Please consider a gift to Millersville’s annual fund. Call 877-872-3820; online: www.millersville.edu and click on the “Giving” tab.
First row, left to right: Sean Blasetti ’04, Nicole Wansley, Brian Sidelnick ’04, William Hagen ’01; standing, 1 to r: Heidi Colestock ’02, Crystal O’Connell ’05, Benjamin Wagner ’04, Jolene Shimp ’03, Kathleen Engle ’99, Nick Sidelnick ’01, Meghan (Shannon) Sidelnick ’04, Daniel Holler, Anni Jo Howard, Melanie Walderon ’02, Scott Lilly ’02, Matt Walderon ’01, Katherine Riley ’04, Matt Freeman ’03, Allison Jones ’04, William Riley, and Stuart Brosky ’88. Not pictured: Dan ’02, Matt Walderon ’01, Katherine Riley ’04, Matt Freeman ’03, Allison Jones ’03. Williams and Stuart Brosky ’88. Not pictured: Dan ’02, Matt Walderon ’01, Katherine Riley ’04, Matt Freeman ’03, Allison Jones ’03.

Marriages
Richard Jones ’61 and Melinda Hanley, 6/4/06.
Barbara Wagner ’72 and Robert Miller, 10/7/06.
Theresa Fetterolf ’73 and Paul Meier, 4/25/04.
Lawrence E. Watson ’76 and Ligeia Petkosh, 8/18/06.
Cheryl Jackson ’78 and David Jones ’91, 12/10/05.
Peter Baurer ’82 and Monica Millett, 10/28/06.
Stephen M. Sieger ’88 and Audra B. Thompson, 6/4/05.

Elizabeth A. Meiklejohn ’06, Collegeville, was hired as a public relations account coordinator at White Good & Company Advertising, Lancaster.
Paula R. Roy ’06, Lancaster, is an animal technician at the University of Pennsylvania.
Tiffany L. Simmons ’06, Bethlehem, is a zebrafish technician at the University of Pittsburgh.

Surrounded by Millersville alums, Meghan Shannon ’04 married Nick Sidelnick ’01 on June 5, 2005.

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Kimberly H. Polsanski ’98 and Steven Barrow, 9/17/05.
Stephanie Preti ’98 and Mark Ruscin, 10/22/05.
Robyn V. Remke ’98 and Joel W. Krueger, 5/06.
Scott G. Somersho ’98 and Rebecca Athow, 10/21/06.
Maria P. Cisone ’99 and Ramzi Benamar, 9/9/05.
Andrew Foreman ’99 and Judy Wisnensky, 10/8/06.
Jamie Marie Greenawalt ’99 and Channing Boswell, 4/28/06.
Gina R. Kittinger ’99 and Steven F. Chroniger, 11/19/05.
Guy Allen Raines ’99 and Lauren Brittain Selim, 7/3/05.
Jamie Steamer ’99 and Troy Nace, 8/5/06.
Benjamin Gorman ’00 and Michelle Ricard, 9/23/06.
Jaime Marcus ’00 and Jeffrey Zucker, 6/24/06.
Benjamin J. McClure ’00 and Lindsay F. Wellington ’01, 9/17/05.
Samuel M. Miriello ’00 and Dana S. Steidler, 5/06.
Denise L. Stauffer ’00 and Derek Kline, 8/27/05.
Kevin L. Weikel ’00 and Kelley Herstine, 10/29/05.
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Kevin L. Weikel ’00 and Kelley Herstine, 10/29/05.
The Millersville alumni are brothers of Phi Sigma Pi, Sigma Chapter.
Amanda J. Auton ’04 and Peter A. Sallada, 10/22/05.
Sarah Bailie ’04 and Carmen DeMaria ’04, 11/18/06.
Christopher P. Bound ’04 and Kristen M. Husler ’04, 7/22/06.
Karrie Crouse ’04 and Adam Mihan, 6/24/06.
Benjamin P. Bowman ’04 and Jennie L. Richards ’04.
Kerri Ann Capone ’04 and Rodrigo Alejandro Thauby, 4/1/06.
Michelle D. (Druck) Kelly ’99, and husband Mark, a daughter, Bridget, on 5/11/02, and a daughter, Claire Rebecca, on 2/3/04.
Monica (Lisse) Tice ’94, and husband Mark, a son, Brady Robert, on 6/23/06.
Timothy J. White ’94, and wife Tracy L. (Dunlap) ’96, a son, Judah Michael, on 2/10/06.
Christine (Merrill) Wittlinger ’94, and husband Steven, a daughter, Melia Alison, on 10/19/06.
Andrea (Kahler) Yonavick ’94, and husband, Jeffery ’95, and a son, Tyler Michael, on 9/15/06.
Terry (Hampton) Billings ’95, and husband Keith, a son, Eric O’Dell, on 11/2/06.
Steven Lehman ’95, and wife Mackenzie, a daughter, Addison Jewel, on 6/24/06.
Regina (McBride) Shanaman ’95, and husband Jason, a son, Luke Stephen, on 5/3/06.
April (Glynn) Beatty ’96, and husband David ’96, a son, Matthew, on 10/13/04, and a daughter, Amanda, on 10/30/06.
Deborah J. (Mohler) Cooley ’96, and husband Brett, twin boys, Hayden Scott and Keaton James, on 5/4/06.
Maureen (Coughlin) Gallagher ’96, and husband Ross, a daughter, Colleen Breanne, on 10/5/06.
Douglas Underwood ’96, and wife Melissa ’98, a daughter, Abigail Jane, on 6/3/05.
Rachel (Ivenz) Devlin ’97, and husband, John Manning IV, on 5/20/06.
Joyce (Robinson) Eldridge ’97, and husband Gregory, a son, Blaise Niko, on 7/8/06.
Jonathan E. Knaub ’97, and wife Jeanette (Westphal) ’01, a son, Jackson Jonathan on 5/18/04, and a daughter, Elisa Joelle, on 5/30/06.
Bronwyn (Peake) Millman ’97, and husband Nathan, a son, Wesley Alexander, on 8/28/06.
Jennifer (Thomas) Shayer ’97, and husband Michael ’97, a daughter, Cassidy Regan, on 6/5/06.
Matt Weidman ’97, and wife Tracy (Samples) ’98, a daughter, Samantha Kate, on 11/1/06.

Jonathan D. Eckerat ’98, and wife Meredith (Rice) ’99, a daughter, Claire Isabella, on 1/14/06.
Thomas Graczyk ’98, and wife Janet (Danenhower) ’98, a daughter, Elise Christine, on 10/10/06.
Eric K. Hoffman ’98, and wife Heather, a daughter, Madelyn Rose, on 10/11/06.
James “Scott” Lockington ’98, and wife Kate, a son, Phil, on 8/8/05.
Lisa (Gable) Slod ’98, and husband Ryan, a son, Tyler William, on 5/8/06.
Shane Snyder ’98, and wife Erin, a daughter, Charlotte Elizabeth, February 2006.
Angela C. (Hack) Hess ’99, and husband Justin ’00, a daughter, Addison.
Michelle D. (Druck) Kelly ’99, and husband Ryan ’99, a son, Nathan Andrew, on 4/7/06.
Stephanie (Hudson) Palerino ’99, and husband Mark, a daughter, Callie Reed, on 6/30/06.

Births

Timothy Kearney ’87, and wife Michelle, a daughter, Bridget, on 12/29/05.
Susan (Grady) Edgcumbe ’88, and husband Tom, a son, Louis Grady, on 7/31/06.
Danielle (Fisher) Tillman ’89, and husband Jason, a daughter, Alana Janise, on 2/14/06.
Kori (Becker) Bailey ’91, and husband, Greg, a daughter, Naomi Kyra, on 9/4/05.
Michele Althouse ’91, twins, Elena Catherine and Reed Thomas, 9/11/06.
Stacey Johnson ’92, adopted a three-year-old daughter, Jessica, from Brazil, in 10/06.
Kristin (Peiffer) Cote ’93, and husband Mark ’99, a son, Jacob Nathanial, on 9/2/06.
Sarah (Fasolka) Erk ’94, and husband David, a son, Richard Michael, on 5/11/02, and a daughter, Claire Rebecca, on 2/3/04.
Monica (Lisse) Tice ’94, and husband Mark, a son, Brady Robert, on 6/23/06.
Timothy J. White ’94, and wife Tracy L. (Dunlap) ’96, a son, Judah Michael, on 2/10/06.
Christine (Merrill) Wittlinger ’94, and husband Steven, a daughter, Melia Alison, on 10/19/06.
Andrea (Kahler) Yonavick ’94, and husband, Jeffery ’95, and a son, Tyler Michael, on 9/15/06.
Terry (Hampton) Billings ’95, and husband Keith, a son, Eric O’Dell, on 11/2/06.
Steven Lehman ’95, and wife Mackenzie, a daughter, Addison Jewel, on 6/24/06.
Regina (McBride) Shanaman ’95, and husband Jason, a son, Luke Stephen, on 5/3/06.
April (Glynn) Beatty ’96, and husband David ’96, a son, Matthew, on 10/13/04, and a daughter, Amanda, on 10/30/06.
Deborah J. (Mohler) Cooley ’96, and husband Brett, twin boys, Hayden Scott and Keaton James, on 5/4/06.
Melody C. (Smith) Heitmuller ’00, and husband Daniel, a son, Caleb Michael, on 8/3/06.
Alexis (Kotowski) Ray ’01, and husband Michael ’02, a daughter, Abigail Rose, on 4/8/06.
Brian D. Bowers ’02, and wife Hallie, a daughter, Julia Elizabeth, on 6/15/06.
Anthony Petersheim ’02, and wife Kerri (Weaver) ’02, a daughter, Lilah Felicity, on 1/3/06.
Christina (Hooper) McFarland ’03, and husband John, a daughter, Natalie Grace, on 8/29/06.
Holly L. (Texter) Reynolds ’04, and husband Anthony, a daughter, Eden Nevaeh, on 11/19/05.

Deaths

Kathryn L. (Boltz) Angst ’28, Annville, died 8/15/06, at the age of 98. She taught at the Milton Hershey School, retiring in 1973.
Marion E. Althouse ’30, Lititz, died on 7/3/06, at the age of 94. She was a teacher in the Lancaster County School District for 42 years.
Emma G. Groff ’36, Mechanicsburg, passed away on 8/27/06, at the age of 92. She taught elementary school in the Columbia Borough School District.
Charles O. Davies ’37, Newville, died on 9/2/06, at the age of 91. He was the superintendent of buildings and grounds for Baltimore County, and then the Plainfield, N.J., School District.
Dorothy R. Weaver ’41, Lancaster, died on 3/15/06, at the age of 90. She retired as a teacher for the School District of Lancaster in 1975. She was a volunteer for the Osteopathic Guild for 42 years.
Malcolm E. Allison ’41, Campbellsport, died on 3/26/06, at the age of 91. He worked at Olmstead Air Force Base in Middletown until its closure, and then for PennDOT.

Ruth Loeb Greenstein ’42, Lancaster, died on 11/9/06, at the age of 85. She taught special education at the Millersville Laboratory School. She was active in leadership positions in local scouting organizations and the Millersville Alumni Association, who presented her with an Outstanding Service Award.
Marilyn F. Ellis ’44, Jeffrey, N.J., died on 8/20/06, at the age of 83. She taught school in Ohio. A seasoned skier and sailor, she was a volunteer for more than 35 years with the American Red Cross.

Richard C. Keller ’45, Lancaster, died on 10/27/06, at the age of 82. He was a professor emeritus at Millersville University, where he began teaching in 1952. In 1971, he became the chair of the Department of History until his retirement in 1985. He served as the first president of the Faculty Senate, as the local president of APSCUF, and in various leadership positions statewide. He was appointed to the Pennsylvania Board of Education. In 1975, he received the Pennsylvania Department of Education Distinguished Teaching Award. He was presented with Millersville’s Alumni Distinguished Service Award in 1989.

Myles O. Jones ’47, Red Lion, died 7/27/06, at the age of 86. In 1981, he retired from teaching math at Red Lion Area Junior High.
Vance B. Snyder ’47, Lancaster, died on 9/6/06, at the age of 82. He was a professor of industrial arts at Kean College in N.J. until retiring in 1983.
Daniel W. Moyer Jr. ’49, Lancaster, died on 8/29/06, at the age of 84. He retired from Buchart Associates as vice president of marketing. He was a founding member of the Westgate Baptist Church.
Paul M. Ricker Jr. ’49, York, died on 8/5/06, at the age of 78. He was the superintendent of Dover Area School District and taught at Messiah College.
Mary K. Botterbusch ’51, York, died on 3/20/06, at the age of 101. She retired from teaching in 1969 from Central York School District.
Luke A. Brosius ’52, Reubuck, died on 7/18/06, at the age of 79. He taught industrial arts until retiring in 1982.

Arthur Wood ’59, Lafayette Hill, died on 10/3/06, at the age of 68. He was a teacher and administrator with the North Penn Wood School District.

Andrew B. Likovich ’60, Wilmington, Del., died on 9/17/06, at the age of 87. After serving in the U.S. Navy for 21 years, he taught math at Brandywine High School for 24 years.
Earl F. Moore Jr. ’63, Newtown Square, died on 7/18/06, at the age of 65. He taught industrial arts at the Haverford Middle School. An active member of the Narbeth Fire Company for 43 years, he was a lifetime member of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps of Narbeth.
Josephine (Sabatine) Lynch ’68, Lancaster, died on 8/16/06, at the age of 60. Following a teaching career, she became a Certified Financial Planner and opened her own firm. She also was an accomplished musician and blues singer.
William W. Berk ’71, Old Zionsville, died on 7/30/06, at the age of 59. He was a technology education teacher for the Northwestern Lehigh School District until he retired in June.

Mary (Auten) Miller ’71, Red Lion, died on 3/12/06, at the age of 79. In 1962 she founded the Red Lion Public Library (now the Kaltreider-Benfer Library) by renting a building and persuading local manufacturers to provide the shelving and furniture and organized volunteers.
Louise C. (Hoffmeyer) Overmiller ’83, York, passed away on 8/3/06, at the age of 44. She worked as an office manager for a law firm. She was an avid participant in Relay for Life and Bike Hike for Cancer.
Sharon Eve Noll ’83, Lancaster, died on 9/3/06, at the age of 45. She worked at Cadmus Communications in Ephrata.
Randall C. Semancik ’02, Lancaster, passed away on 9/26/06, at the age of 35. He was an anesthesiologist. He was a reservist in the U.S. Army for 11 years.

Remembrance of faculty

Rosario Caminero, professor of Spanish, died on 7/18/06. She joined Millersville in 1986 and played a critical role in the establishment of the Latino Studies program. She retired in January 2006.

Ruth Loeb Greenstein ’42, Lancaster, died on 11/9/06. She taught special education at the Millersville Laboratory School. See Deaths in Class Notes.

Robert Hustead, associate professor emeritus of art, died on 10/24/06. He joined Millersville in 1964. He taught painting and drawing, and art history courses. He retired in 1988.
Richard C. Keller ’45 , Lancaster, died on 10/27/06. See Deaths in Class Notes.

James E. Zwally, professor emeritus of music, died on 2/8/06. He taught at Millersville from 1954 until his retirement in 1976.
Big dreams, like making the world a better place, need to start small and build. Individuals can make that small start to a better world by getting involved in their own neighborhood.

Don and Judy Carter are doing just that. They want to “give back” to the community and the institutions that positively impacted their lives. To help a new generation of students dream big, they have put “tools to achieve” in place for future high school graduates who enter Millersville University.

An alumna of the University, Judy ’60, M’76 moved from her hometown of Biglerville, Adams County, to Millersville in 1956 to study for her bachelor's degree in education. Don, born and raised in Lancaster, was working on a bachelor’s degree in electrical engineering at Drexel University in Philadelphia. One weekend Don was home and all his friends abandoned him for dates. Never a wallflower, Don heard about a Millersville basketball game followed by a dance at Brooks Hall and decided to head out on his own. It was one of the best decisions of his life, because that’s where he met Judy. They lived, worked and raised their three daughters in Lancaster County. The fact that they want to give back to community programs in this area is a tribute to the career opportunities and personal goals they were able achieve here.

As part of his required co-op with Drexel University, Don started work at the RCA plant in Lancaster in engineering development (where he experimented with “new” technology like microwave ovens and lasers as well as technical military products) and eventually moved into management. When GE purchased RCA, the Lancaster facility did not conform to GE’s business plan, so Don, along with other principal investors, formed Burle Industries, Inc., and kept the plant operating. Judy worked for years as a teacher and librarian in the Penn Manor School District.

Both Judy and Don continued their educational pursuits while juggling careers and children. Judy returned to Millersville for a master’s degree and Don earned his master’s degree in physics from Franklin & Marshall College, in addition to completing technical and management programs at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia University and Northwestern University.

Although they are now both retired, they still use their career skills to make education programs better for a new generation of students. Judy is serving her second term on the board of directors for Friends of Ganser Library, and Don serves as a trustee for Findlay University in Ohio. Looking back on their own lives, they remember the feeling that “anything is possible.” They want to promote that positive thinking today in “bright kids with need.”

“Young people need tools and an education can supply those tools,” says Don.

The Carters have written a bequest for a significant scholarship program at Millersville University. Their bequest will provide scholarships to young men and women who enter the University from J.P. McCaskey High School in Lancaster, Don’s alma mater.

Millersville University is grateful and appreciates their support of future leaders; leaders who may make those big dreams of a better world come true. If you are considering a gift to Millersville, please call Lee Eastwood 877-872-3820, email lee.eastwood@millersville.edu.