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Carter G. Woodson Lecture
February 23, 2006
7:30 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium
Dr. Roger Wilkins,
George Mason University

In a distinguished journalism career, Wilkins has written for both The New York Times and The Washington Post, and he was associate editor of The Washington Star. He won a Pulitzer Prize in 1972 for his coverage of the Watergate scandal.

Robert A Christie
Lecture & Regional Economy Symposium
March 6, 2006
7:30 p.m., Lehr Room
Economist James K. Galbraith

Galbraith holds the Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr., Chair of Government/Business Relations at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, the University of Texas at Austin.

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André Watts
Lecture & Concert
January 28, 2006
Lecture- 4 p.m.
Concert- 5 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium

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50th Anniversary Concert for Alumni Memorial Organ
March 19, 2006
2:30 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium

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Terry Gross
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2 p.m.
Lyte Auditorium

Terry Gross of National Public Radio’s program Fresh Air will also be on hand for a book signing following her appearance.

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The University’s annual Community Day has been rescheduled for February 18, 2006. Originally planned for October 8, the event was postponed due to heavy rains.

The event will be held in conjunction with Carnival Day and the Take a Kid to the Game event on Saturday, February 18, at Pucillo Gymnasium. A basketball doubleheader—men and women—will be one of the highlights (see page 8).

Linda Caputo Garden dedication

Friends, family and former colleagues gathered on September 9 for the dedication of a garden in honor of Linda Caputo, Millersville’s former “first lady.”

Located in Wickersham Green, the garden features a small cascading waterfall, plants, flowers and seating. It was noted that the garden will remind people of Linda’s gentle nature. The plaque reads, in part, “Her graceful presence, dedication and support of Millersville University from 1983 to 2003 inspired a generation of students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends.”

On the Cover

The newly renovated Gordinier Dining Hall offers students a wide range of food choices including healthy salads or made-to-order omelets.

Millersville receives harpsichord as gift

A harpsichord has been added to the musical instruments at Millersville University, further enhancing the music curriculum and performance opportunities for MU students.

The unique instrument, an opus 234, features a twelve-leg stand, decorated in black with 23k gold banding and moldings, and a handpainted soundboard. It was built in 1989 by Richard Kingston Harpsichords of Mooresboro, North Carolina.

A recital featuring Dr. Anita Renfroe, music professor, was a highlight of the dedication ceremony held on October 9, 2005, in the Ford Atrium in McComsey Hall.

Musical collaborations with Ruth DeLoen and Peter Brye were also featured as part of the program.

The harpsichord was obtained through a grant from the Richard C. von Hess Foundation.

Linda Caputo and her husband, former Millersville president Dr. Joseph Caputo, at the dedication of the garden in her honor.
Renowned pianist André Watts performance on January 28

On January 28, 2006, Millersville University will welcome world-renowned pianist, André Watts, to the stage of Lyte Auditorium.

André Watts made his musical debut at age sixteen with conductor Leonard Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic in its Young People’s Concert. For the past forty years, Watts has played with top orchestras and has been called the country’s top-ranking pianist. At age 26, Watts received an honorary doctorate from Yale University and has received scores of awards and honors.

The proceeds from the concert will go towards the Louis Vyner Performance Award. This award is granted to an academically qualified junior for excellence in musical performance as determined in an audition. Louis Vyner founded the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra and served as its conductor from 1946 to 1980. He also taught and mentored André Watts early in his career.

The André Watts concert will take place at 5 p.m. on Saturday, January 28, immediately following his lecture, which starts at 4 p.m. Tickets for the lecture and concert are $35. Student tickets are $10.

Premium ticket packages include $200 and $100 donor tickets. The $200 ticket includes a donation to the scholarship fund, the lecture and concert, a dinner/reception and special parking with shuttle service; $100 donor ticket includes a donation to the scholarship fund, admission to the lecture and concert, and reserved seating.

For more information, call 717-871-2308 or email: specialevents@millersville.edu

Tasia Argires and Nancy Tanger are co-chairing the committee that is arranging André Watts’ visit to Millersville University.

Enrollment strong

Student enrollment for fall was right on target with a total of 7,772 students—6,849 undergraduate and 923 graduate students. The number of students of color increased to 11.2 percent of total students, up from 10.6 percent in fall 2004.

“Of the total, about 1,300 are new freshmen – a few more than our goal,” said Doug Zander, director of admissions. “The academic profile of the entering class is a little stronger than last year; the mean SAT for our regularly admitted freshmen is 1085. We have approximately 370 new transfer students—about the same as last fall and also a few more than our goal.”

“We’re doing a good job working towards our goals of increasing enrollments of students of color and ‘leveling’ undergraduate enrollment,” said Dr. Carol Phillips, executive assistant to the president and associate provost. “We continue our efforts to expand graduate student programming and enrollments and to positively impact undergraduate student retention.”

FlavorFest

Millersville University has been selected as a featured event in the Pennsylvania Dutch Tourist and Visitor’s Bureau 2006 FlavorFest campaign. Tourists will be invited to campus to experience 2006 “college cuisine.”

Of all the things that Lancaster County is famous for as a travel destination, the goodness of Pennsylvania Dutch cooking ranks close to the top.

Millersville believes, as did the judges of the submitted entries, that inviting tourists to experience how dining halls have changed would be an interesting and enlightening experience.

It’s also a great chance to show off the recent renovations to Gordinier Hall.

Stop by for a great meal.
MU People

Edward M. Nase joins Millersville University as the new director of dining and conference services. He replaces John Roscoe who recently retired after 30 years.

Nase served as the director of dining services for the past five years at the University of Maine. Previously, he worked as the associate director of dining services at Princeton University. Nase received a bachelor’s degree in hotel administration from Cornell University.

New master’s degree in social work

Millersville University is joining with Shippensburg University to offer a new Master of Social Work (MSW) degree program starting in the fall 2006 semester.

“There is such a need for this degree program. Our community needs assessment found that the greatest demand for a social worker is in the health field and in our public schools, which often require an MSW for employment,” said Dr. Vilas A. Prabhu, provost and vice president for academic affairs. “We have already seen a tremendous amount of interest in the program from potential students.”

Dr. Kathryn Gregoire, chair of social work at Millersville, said, “We are excited to be partnering with Shippensburg University because together we have increased faculty and staff expertise and resources. We are committed to providing an accessible quality program with courses delivered by a blend of in-class, online and videoconferencing meetings.”

Students can register to take the entire program during evenings and weekends at either university. For more information, call 717-872-3099 or visit www.ship.edu/msw. Deadline for applications is March 1.

Inn to become student housing

To meet the demand for student campus housing, the Inn at Millersville located on Shenks Lane will be converted into student housing for fall 2006. It will provide 181 beds for students during the academic year.

Owned and operated by Student Services, Inc., the facility will continue to be used for summer conference housing.

Help make Millersville University’s Dance Marathon a success. Proceeds benefit the Children’s Miracle Network.

During the marathon, student dancers will stay awake and on their feet for 24 hours. You can help by making a donation, attending the event or providing gifts in-kind from your business.

Funds will support patient services, research, equipment, program services and educational resources at the Children’s Hospital at Hershey Medical Center.

Donations can be sent to: Dance Marathon, Box 29, Millersville University, Millersville, Pa. 17551. Checks should be payable to Children's Miracle Network.

Call 717-871-4727 or email: dancemarathon@millersville.edu for more information.

Winter Olympics

Look for new Millersville University ads on WGAL-TV during the 2006 Winter Olympics held in Italy, February 10-26. For more information about the games, visit www.Turino2006.org
Did you know that most of the food you eat each day travels as far as 1,500 miles to get to your table? When Dr. Carole M. Counihan tells her students that foods like asparagus, tomatoes, beef, shrimp and even milk typically come from distant places like Chile, California, Colorado, Vietnam and Wisconsin, they are often surprised. Especially about the milk.

“Here in Lancaster County, we tend to think that with all the dairy farms, our milk is local. Not necessarily,” said Counihan.

Counihan is a food anthropologist and professor of anthropology who joined Millersville’s faculty in 1987. She is one of the few anthropologists in the U.S. who concentrate on the issues of food and culture in the study of anthropology.

“Many people are simply amazed when I tell them what I do. It is a very fascinating subject,” said Counihan.

Counihan received a prestigious fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities to work on another book project titled, Women’s Stories of Food, Gender and Land in the San Luis Valley of Colorado.

“I have always been interested in food and this was just a very natural progression for me,” said Counihan. Her travels have taken her to Puerto Rico, Florence, Sardinia and many other places in search of the significance of food in culture.

One of the things she learned was that most cultures develop their food traditions based on the foods that are readily available to them, such as the bounty of regional and seasonal vegetables, fruits, olive oil, seafood and game meats of Italy. Often, when there has been seasonal scarcity of some foods, those foods become even more highly prized and celebrated when they are available.

The food cultures of the world have a great deal of symbolism. Eating together is often seen as an indication of intimacy and closeness. When food is offered, but not accepted, that denial is often representative of rejection. Most life celebrations, such as births and marriages, revolve around food, and even funerals have their solemn feasting traditions.

While sharing food is often regarded as a way of celebrating and bringing family and friends together, lack of food can have quite the opposite effect. In a famous study of a terrible famine, it was observed that lack of food broke down all social norms. Parents began hoarding food and failing to feed their children first. In countries where floods, famines and political strife create hunger and starvation, the people are unable to function normally in their culture.

“Every culture has its beliefs and rituals when it comes to food,” observed Counihan.

With globalization, some of the food cultures appear to be blending together in many ways. Yet, a McDonald’s in China will offer American hamburgers along with spicy Oriental chicken, just as McDonald’s has served gumbo in Louisiana and lobster rolls in Maine.

Are there any foods that are appealing in cultures all over the world? Sweet treats such as foods that are flavored with sugar, honey and fruit juices have almost universal appeal. Grains like corn, rice and wheat are also universal foods that are well represented in nearly every culture.

“It makes sense, when you think about it, because these foods are a source of calories that promotes energy,” said Counihan.
Bell ringing tradition returns

In the good old days, a football victory at home didn’t just taste sweet. It could be heard throughout Millersville.

In a ‘Ville tradition from Saturdays long ago, a student ran from Brooks Field to the bell tower in Old Main to ring the chimes, signalling a Marauder football victory.

At the suggestion of Dominick DiNunzio ’53, Millersville has re-instituted the tradition – with a couple of modifications. Old Main is no more but Mike Johnstone, technical operations manager for Student Services, Inc., found the right sound to re-create the Old Main bell. Then there was the part about the Marauders winning the football game.

The third time proved to be the charm for the Millersville football team this fall when they beat Mansfield (31-14) at the Homecoming game on October 29. After two unsuccessful attempts to “ring the bell,” the Marauder gridders finally prevailed and the bell tolled, albeit electronically, at Chryst Field after the game.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Jocelyn Decker doesn’t dig every opponent’s attacked ball. It just seems that way.

The Douglassville, Pa., native has been a rock-solid player for the Marauder volleyball squad this season. And, in the process, she has set every Millersville dig record to rank among the Division II national defensive leaders.

As the team’s libero (defensive specialist), Decker recorded a national-high 60 digs in a 3-1 loss at Kutztown on October 4 to break the previous MU single match mark (51) that stood for 12 seasons. She surpassed the 700-dig mark this fall to shatter the previous standard set by all-star Caitlin LeBlanc. And, she has become the all-time dig leader in the program’s 15-year history with 1,661 digs.

In 2004, Decker earned All-Atlantic Region honorable mention honors from the American Volleyball Coaches Assn. This fall, she reaped several key awards for her defensive prowess including Division II All-American first team acclaim. Her 7.12 digs-per-game average is far and away the best not only in the PSAC but also across the U.S.

“Jocelyn has been a ’go-to’ player whose aggressiveness defensively has been integral to the team’s success,” said MU volleyball coach Gary Lee. “She is reliable and mentally tough, and has a keen awareness of where the ball is going and what has to be done to keep the point going. The tougher the competition, the better she plays. It’s been enjoyable to watch her grow as a player and as a person over her four-year career.”

Decker said that her teammates share a large part in her own accomplishments. “We’ve become a more cohesive defensive unit and it’s been fun to be part of.”

A PSAC scholar-athlete who majors in psychology, Jocelyn is on course to graduate from Millersville in May.

Save the date!

2006 Golf Classic

Reserve Monday, May 22, 2006, for the fifth annual Black & Gold Golf Classic. Held at Lancaster’s Bent Creek Country Club, the event draws more than 100 golfers. Proceeds go to funding Marauder athletics programs and scholarships.

For more information, call 717-871-2308 or email: specialevents@millersville.edu.

Take a Kid to the Game

For an afternoon of basketball and other fun, head out to Millersville on Saturday, February 18, and bring the kids. It’s NCAA’s Take a Kid to the Game event. Children under the age of 11 will be admitted free with a paying adult, and tickets for kids 12-17 cost $1.

MU Women’s Athletics will also be hosting Carnival Day with lots of activities and entertainment for the kids.
New Chryst Field earns rave reviews

Student-athletes and coaches alike for four MU fall sports (football, field hockey, women’s soccer and men’s soccer) share something in common—they enjoy competing on home “turf.” Come spring, lacrosse will also hold its home games on the multipurpose field, and track and field will be enjoying the new right-lane track.

The new FieldTurf artificial surface installed this summer at Chryst Field, in Biemesderfer Stadium is not only attractive, but also safer and more resilient for practice and game usage. (See pages 10-11 for the story about the dedication of the field.)

The field’s artificial grass (2½” tall with a one-inch combined infill base of cryogenic rubberized pellets and silica sand) provides stability, comfort, and proper traction. And, it is designed to provide long-lasting use that is estimated at a lifecycle of about 15 years.

Once the sole domain of the Marauder gridders, both soccer teams and the field hockey squad have used Chryst Field for the majority of their games and practices. And, the participants are enthusiastic about their experiences of playing on “turf.”

“It’s a much faster game, and it’s better for passing than on Brooks Field,” said field hockey midfielder Tina Riegel. “It makes for better play—passing is quicker and more accurate.”

Said senior teammate Gretchen Imes, “It’s a good change for Millersville. The ball movement is a lot quicker, not as quick as a carpet surface, but it’s an even surface all the way around and the ball rolls truer than on grass.”

Live broadcast coverage of athletics

Live broadcasts of 2006 Millersville University basketball games—home and away—are available at Red Zone Media (www.redzonemedia.com).

ESPN Radio 1600 (WPDC-AM) based in Elizabethtown, Pa., will broadcast live a total of 17 Millersville basketball games this winter.
Chryst Field at Biemesderfer Stadium was formally dedicated in honor of Dr. J. “Jay” Freeland Chryst ’50 on October 8 prior to the Millersville-West Chester football game.

The renovated field serves as the home not only for the football squad, but also the Marauder field hockey, lacrosse, men’s and women’s track and field, and men’s and women’s soccer teams. The multipurpose field will also be the site for the home games of the local high school football team.

The renovations to Chryst Field at Biemesderfer Stadium include:

- A state-of-the-art artificial turf field
- A new regulation eight-lane track and field
- A new permanent visitors grandstand
- A new scoreboard

Future renovation plans include:

- Upgraded locker and athletic training rooms
- A prefabricated weight room
- A new press box

Part of the preparation for the Chryst Field dedication ceremony was to erect a tent adjacent to Biemesderfer Stadium to hold a brunch for friends, family and employees of Jay Chryst ’50 and his daughter, Dana Chryst ’81.

The response was so overwhelming that a second tent was raised to accommodate the large crowd. The day of the ceremony arrived and with it a deluge of rain showers that hung around like a nosy neighbor. While the two large tents remained standing, a moat formed around the perimeter, which
prevented anyone from entering. It was then on to “Plan B.”

Much like the legacy of Jay Chryst, Millersville overcame the obstacles and delivered a spectacular dedication ceremony inside the cozy confines of Gordinier Hall. More than 200 gathered to celebrate the Chrysts and their contributions to Millersville’s academic and athletic programs.

“I thought they did a great job under the circumstances,” expressed Chryst, who said he is still overwhelmed by the scope and reach of this honor. “I was listening to the football scores on the radio and Chryst Field was mentioned. It’s so ubiquitous that it’s a little hard to comprehend.”

While many jokes were made about the monsoon-like weather during the ceremony, there was a warm feeling of gratitude that emanated from the comments of Millersville dignitaries including President Francine G. McNairy. But the remarks that brought the rain inside—in the form of heartfelt tears—came from Dana Chryst, who made the generous donation to name the field in her father’s honor.

“It was football that got him in to this institution of higher education,” she remarked. “He used that talent to put him into a place where his love of learning blossomed and became lifelong in his pursuit of excellence.”

Dana continued, “Some of my favorite pictures are of him are as a young man in a sports coat with a football in one hand and a book in another. The two balanced each other out and gave the man, along with the love of his family, all that he needed to be the success that he is today.”

After serving on a Navy ship during World War II, Chryst returned to Lancaster County and enrolled at Millersville State Teachers College. A standout lineman for the Marauder football team in the late 1940s and team captain, he earned charter membership into the MU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1995. In 1998, he received an honorary doctorate from Millersville.

In 1965, Chryst founded what would become The Jay Group, a marketing logistics company that supports the promotional programs of many Fortune 1000 companies. He retired in 1991, and Dana purchased the company and now serves as CEO of The Jay Group.

Dana offered a poignant tribute to her father during her closing remarks.

“You have shown all of us, that anything is possible, if you work hard, believe in yourself and show your gratitude for what you have by giving back in whatever way you can,” she said. “Let this moment serve as testimony that we, your birth family and your Jay Group family have learned your lessons well. Now is our turn to give back to you for all that you have done for us. It is we who are lucky; it is we who are honored, for having walked a time with you through this remarkable journey called your life.”
An Appetite for Success

BY LAURA KNOWLES
Food. Everybody loves it, and not just to eat. Celebrity chefs like Emeril Lagasse and Rachel Ray have taken the audience of the Food Television Network up a huge notch and into over 86 million American households. Cookbooks are flying off the shelves and exotic ingredients are being ordered online. Everyone, it would seem, is a gourmet cook or in training to be one, but the popularity of restaurants continues to grow.

Restaurants are the places where we go to celebrate the occasions of life – engagements, anniversaries, birthdays and graduations. For many Americans and Millersville alumni, restaurants are the places where their passion and careers converge.

Take the Sugar Bowl, a perennial campus hangout that created strombolis as a Millersville tradition for students as far back as the 1970s. Its tasty stromboli—the perfect blend of meats, cheeses and vegetables wrapped up in homemade pizza dough—can still cause alumni to savor the memory.

Not many people realize that the man behind the great Sugar Bowl strombolis, not to mention the pizzas, sandwiches and other casual fare, is a Millersville University graduate. Originally from Greece, Nick Grigoriades ’76 came to Millersville to study because he had relatives in the area.

While he was a student, he worked at Manni’s Pizza to help pay his expenses. It seemed like it was just a job to get him through college. In truth, Nick discovered that food was his passion and he was destined to follow a career in the restaurant business.

“I always planned to go back to Greece after I finished college, but I ended up staying here,” said Nick.

He started the Sugar Bowl in 1978 two years after he graduated from Millersville with a B.S. degree in physics. Then in 1997, he started his current venture, Symposium, the Mediterranean-inspired Lancaster restaurant that features Greek specialties like avgolemono lemony chicken soup, spanakopita spinach and feta tarts, fried calamari, tapas and eggplant moussaka, as well as other innovative entrees like panko salmon, braised lamb shank, stuffed shrimp, tilapia with pepper coulis and vanilla duck breast.

Of course, in keeping with Nick’s origins, Symposium also has those famous strombolis, such as the garden veggie boli, the traditional meat and cheese boli and the cheese steak boli with onions and mushrooms.

“I love the restaurant business,” said Nick, who focuses on providing a relaxed setting for people to enjoy delicious food with an international flair.

Some of the most popular choices are the seafood specialties, lamb, red snapper, pastas and even the juicy burgers. Most nights, Nick makes the rounds to be sure his customers are happily well fed.

He openly credits Symposium’s executive chef and manager Bob Miller with creating such wonderful dishes that the restaurant has won numerous readership awards from Lancaster Newspapers, Lancaster Magazine and other publications. Bob has been the chef since Symposium opened in 1997 and is always coming up with new ideas for flavors and presentations.

Nick owns Symposium with his wife Ruth, who is also a Millersville graduate. She was Ruth Dommel when she earned her degree in sociology in 1971.

“She married me for my looks,” said Nick, with a smile. He admits that even though he doesn’t cook now, the family-owned restaurant blends his Greek origins with Ruth’s local background.

If it wasn’t for Millersville University, the Grigoriades would never have met and never would have gotten started in the restaurant business.

“Back then we wanted to feed hungry Millersville students, and now we want to feed them and everyone else in Lancaster,” said Nick.

Nick and Ruth Grigoriades aren’t the only Millersville alumni to turn their love of food into careers. Like Nick, many of them did it in a roundabout way.
Originally from Chester, Pa., Steve Powell graduated from Millersville in 1972 with a degree in elementary education and a minor in social science. He was a star basketball player at Millersville from 1968 to 1972, and named as MVP. He later went on to coach boys basketball at McCaskey High School and is still the head coach there more than 30 years later.

Through the years, Steve has been a teacher, tutoring youngsters at the Boys and Girls Club, G.E.D. training and even teaching prisoners at Chester County Prison. His career path took him to human resources for a Lancaster steel company. Through hard work and his experience in the steel business, he eventually became the owner of the company 12 years ago and renamed it Powell Steel Corp.

So how did Steve end up as the owner of an up-and-coming Lancaster restaurant known for its tempting cuisine and hot jazz? That all came about through his friendship with Chef Henry Hodges, Sr., who had always dreamed of opening a restaurant. After McFly’s closed several years ago, Steve decided to purchase the restaurant with Gloria Campbell, whom he has been with for 32 years. The couple loved good food and music, and turned to Henry to be the chef of the Bird’s Nest, which opened at Prince and King Streets in Lancaster three years ago.

“When we started the Bird’s Nest, I knew absolutely nothing about the restaurant business, but we’ve learned,” said Steve.

Designed to appeal to a more mature audience, the Bird’s Nest is known for its American cuisine, like steaks, seafood and pasta. The crabcakes and luscious mushroom soup are the source of many cravings. On Friday and Saturday, the Bird’s Nest is a jazzy hot spot with jazz and rhythm and blues.

Gloria retired from the Lancaster City School District after 30 years, having earned her master’s degree in psychology at Millersville University. Now she works with Steve at Powell Steel and the Bird’s Nest.

“I’d have to say that Millersville gave me a good basis for my career and a chance to prove myself as an athlete and as a student,” said Steve. “And now that I’m in the restaurant business, I’m still learning something new every day.”

Alan Jacobs ’83, president of Isaac’s Restaurant and Deli, agrees that even though Millersville didn’t teach him specifically about the restaurant business, his experience at MU gave him a great foundation.

While he was in college, Jacobs worked part-time as a carpenter and then ended up doing a lot of construction work on a brand new restaurant that he and a friend, Phil Wenger, opened in downtown Lancaster’s Central Market Mall.

Jacobs received his degree in anthropology and sociology from Millersville in 1983. By the time Jacobs graduated, he was a partner and “right hand man” with Phil at Isaac’s, which quickly took off, quite literally. The fun, bold menu featured piled high deli sandwiches with fresh breads and accents, all named after birds. That idea came from Phil, whose father had studied birds. Thus began a restaurant with sandwiches like the flamingo, mockingbird and scarlet ibis. Today, Isaac’s has 19 locations in Lancaster, York, Berks...
and Chester counties and the Harrisburg area.

“Nothing beats the liberal arts education I received at Millersville. It made me more well rounded as a person and gave me a great basis for my career at Isaac’s,” said Jacobs.

Jim Olivere ’78 has always enjoyed a variety of food from around the world, including his family’s ancestral Italian dishes. He discovered true Mexican food while visiting his sister in California. The economics major and former Marauder football player took the plunge as a restauranteur by first opening La Cantina in his hometown of Wilmington, Delaware.

He next became intrigued by Thai food, traveling to Thailand to learn all about the exotic cuisine that combines sweet, sour, hot, salty and neutral flavors, with spices such as fresh coriander, lemon grass, kaffir lime, ginger root and hot chilies.

“I knew I wanted to bring this wonderful food to Wilmington, so I started Pan Tai, which specializes in the cuisine of Southeast Asia,” said Olivere. That was more than 20 years ago and the restaurant is still growing in its outstanding reputation and loyal following of customers.

Olivere has toured the world, from Asia to Africa, taking cooking classes along the way to learn about the food of different cultures.

Even though he doesn’t cook at Pan Tai, he consults with his chef and the restaurant is known for a special namesake dish, its tasty Jimmy Fried Rice.

“I’m very hands on at Pan Tai, and I love what I do. I’m introducing people to food they may never have experienced,” said Olivere.

Perhaps Millersville University’s most prominent chef is Christopher Painter ’89. A native of Pottsville, he was named as “Best New Chef of 2000” by the Philadelphia Inquirer while working for the acclaimed Tangerine restaurant, which features a Moroccan setting and cuisine.

Painter had always enjoyed cooking and after graduating from Millersville with a degree in political science, he decided to attend culinary school. His culinary talents took him to the Hotel Hershey as a cook, then to a resort hotel in Vail, Colorado, followed by the Woodstock Inn in Vermont and Avalon in Portland, Oregon.

After he returned to Pennsylvania in 1999, he became the chef at Tangerine, and later opened his own restaurant, Angelina, in Philadelphia. Today, his brilliance as a chef is sought after in his consulting services as he considers his next move.

From restaurant owners to acclaimed chefs, education to physics majors, it seems that quite a few Millersville University alumni have a taste of inspiration for food being the focus in their careers.

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Fun Facts About the Restaurant Industry

- With an estimated 12 million workers, the restaurant industry is the largest private-sector employer comprising nine percent of all working Americans.
- More than four out of ten adults have worked in a restaurant at some time in their life.
- 27 percent of adults’ first job experience was in a restaurant.
- 46 cents of every food dollar is spent in restaurants.
- There are about 900,000 restaurants in the United States; by 2010, the number is expected to be one million.

Source: National Restaurant Association
Back in the not so long ago days, college students waited in the cafeteria line to get meals that might consist of meat loaf, gravy, mashed potatoes and green beans. Now, the whole concept of dining at colleges and universities has changed dramatically. It's more like a collection of restaurants, each with a different theme and cuisine that ranges from exotic Thai to all-American burgers to healthy vegetarian. At Millersville University, when it comes to food, the key word is CHOICE.

By Laura Knowles
Campus Cuisine Redefined
Never have students had so many choices when it comes to meal time. And that, according to Millersville’s director of dining and conference services Edward Nase, is the most impressive aspect of dining services for both students and conferences. Nase recently joined Millersville University as director when John Roscoe retired after 30 years. It was Millersville’s reputation that attracted Nase.

“Nowadays, the food has become a recruiting tool for students choosing their colleges,” said Nase. “They look at academics, athletics, recreation, location and other factors, but the food is right in there, and the competition is fierce.”

Students and their parents will try the food at the various colleges they are visiting. It’s that important.

Millersville recently completed major renovations and expansion of Gordinier Hall, transforming the dining room into a bold, contemporary restaurant-like setting with various stations where students can dine on whatever strikes their fancy. The design features hot red set against cool grey tones in a casual atmosphere that lends itself to relaxed conversation and socialization among students. What really counts, though, is the food.

“I really like the omelets,” said one Millersville student, who satisfies his craving for made-to-order omelets nearly every day. He raves about the fact that he can get an omelet as late as 1 p.m. “An omelet for lunch, that’s what I like.”

The omelet station is indeed one of the most popular. Just like a restaurant buffet, an omelet chef stands ready to whip up a light, fluffy omelet, with ingredients that are hand selected by each student. Mushrooms, peppers, ham, cheese, tomatoes, bacon and other ingredients get added to the omelet as desired. Health-conscious students can even order an egg white omelet.

Gerry Shehan, associate director of dining and conference services, is responsible for student dining. He reports that students are gobbling up the concept of choice. From the bistro with omelets, pasta, stir fry and other made-to-order foods, to the home-style hot cuisine station with lasagna, meat loaf, turkey and other selections, students can find just about anything they want.

“The most popular is the grill with char-grilled burgers, steaks, chicken and even grilled cheese. The line is always the longest here,” said Shehan. “A juicy burger with fries, that’s comfort food to these kids. That’s what they have grown up with.”

Students can also choose from do-it-yourself deli sandwiches, a huge salad bar, ethnic foods and many choices for vegetarians or special diets. As Shehan explained, today’s students have spent their young lives going out to dinner and eating well. They are used to having lots of choices and they have high expectations for the quality of food. They want fresh food ingredients that are well-prepared, all served in a restaurant like setting.

With a food critic’s mentality, students make it clear that they expect the best. They even enjoy making suggestions on foods to be considered in the dining room. A recipe contest with suggestions from students yielded several new options for foods to go on the Millersville menu, with sweet, cinnamon monkey bread among the most popular recipes.

“They loved that and we got a good response,” said Shehan. “We think of them as our customers and you’ve got to satisfy the customer.”

A Millersville graduate who gets a first hand view of the success of dining and conference services is Margery Velde ’72. As food services director, she hears what students are saying about Millersville food.

“I get a lot of great comments. They like the variety, the fresh food, being able to choose what they want,” said Velde. “And the grill is an incredible hit, especially the rib eye steaks.”
Fun Food Facts

- Students at Millersville University consume 570 gallons of milk per day which would fill 19 bathtubs.
- Students eat 1,245 pounds of hamburger in one week, equal to the meat from two steers.
- University Dining makes 1,750 pizzas per week, which if stacked one on top of the other, would be taller than the Empire State Building.
- Two tons of fresh produce is delivered every week to MU, which is equal to the weight of two tractor-trailer trucks.
- The favorite ice cream flavors of Millersville students are mint chip, cookies and cream, and Moosetracks.
- The most popular meals at the dining hall include steak or chicken steak sandwiches, Buffalo wings, pizza, and Mozzarella sticks. The favorites from 30 years ago were hamburgers, grilled cheese, fried chicken, and macaroni and cheese.

The sleek, new design of Gordinier Hall is a big attraction for students, and Shehan reports that not only is it beautiful, but it is efficient. Student seating and serving has been increased by 20 percent.

Yet, Gordinier Hall isn’t the only place to dine at Millersville University. Part of the new concept of choice at Millersville is that students can choose where they want to eat, not just what they want to eat.

Along with the main dining hall in Gordinier Hall, which serves breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., students can have breakfast, lunch or dinner at Lyle Hall, or get an express meal if they are in a hurry. In all, there are a dozen or so places where students can get something to eat or drink on campus.

“They are not likely to go hungry at Millersville, there are so many choices of food and places to eat,” said Nase. Not part of the student dining plan is the Campus Grill, which is a popular lunch spot for faculty and staff.

“It really is like a hotel and a restaurant. The students and conference attendees are our guests and we cater to them,” said Nase. Millersville is unique, too, in that the dining and conference services is an in-house operation, run by the university. Millersville University is the only school in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education with a campus-operated food service. Others contract with food service companies to prepare and serve food to students and for conferences.

“That gives us more control and more responsibility. Millersville works hard to maintain its reputation,” said Nase.

Rich Yednock ’83, associate director of dining and conference services, graduated from Millersville with a degree in psychology and business administration.

Today, Yednock handles the catering and conference services, which have grown tremendously in recent years. From University functions to meetings and events for local organizations and companies, there is a wide range of catering and conferences held at Millersville. Much of the business comes from word of mouth, such as previous attendees who tell others what a good experience it was.

Located on the second floor of Gordinier Hall, the William H. Bolger Conference Center provides private rooms of various sizes that are available for conferences and events.

“We do everything from simple breakfast meetings to full multi-day events with special menus and decorative themes,” said Yednock.

There are full buffet dinners with dishes like beef Burgundy, chicken stir fry with vegetables and Florentine lasagna. Served or buffet breakfasts might include a Colorado frittata with tomatoes, peppers and cheese, or fluffy buttermilk pancakes and toppings. Hors d’oeuvres receptions are always a hit, and can be elegant or casual with selections like basil chicken, deviled quail eggs, smoked salmon, chicken mousse in cucumber cups or mini ham and Swiss sandwiches.

“Whatever the client wants, we can work with them. Our services are very individualized,” said Yednock. “Our aim is to make everyone happy.”
Just one month

after Katrina devastated Mississippi and New Orleans, MU professors from various departments held a forum on September 29 to discuss how this hurricane could affect everything from economics to politics.

Hank Fischer, director of the Center for Disaster Research and Education, opened the forum by reviewing several errors the media made in their reports, particularly about unlawful behavior.

Although many people broke into stores, he said, they did so to get food and water. “Using food and water to survive,” he said, “is not looting.”

Fischer stressed that everyone should have a 72-hour emergency kit and family evacuation plan in place. Essentially, he said, if you don’t already have a plan when disaster strikes and “are waiting for someone to tell you what to do, you are in trouble.”

Seemingly not having a response plan for Katrina has put President Bush under much scrutiny, said Thomas Boyle, assistant professor of communication and theatre. Boyle pointed out that Katrina hit just as Bush was returning from a five-week vacation and he has been criticized for not visiting the affected areas sooner.

Many have observed, said Boyle, that days after Katrina hit, Harry Connick Jr. drove into New Orleans. “If a singer can get into New Orleans,” said Boyle, “certainly the President could too.”

In the face of public criticism, Bush changed his disaster response when hurricane Rita hit September 24. Boyle noted that Bush personally got involved with a hospital evacuation.

Speaking on the politics of Katrina, John McLarnon, associate professor of history, said he was most struck by the degree to which elected officials focused not on what needed to be done to help but rather on whom to blame. McLarnon listed several people politicians blamed, including the governor, the mayor and even residents who refused to evacuate.

From the President of the United States on down the line, McLarnon said he was embarrassed by political officials. “It seems to me,” he said, “from a political standpoint, we’ve been given a demonstration that politicians seemingly without shame will use a disaster to their own personal gain.”

Kathryn Gregoire, professor of social work, observed that disasters like Katrina and Rita can also be catalysts for personal change.

Gregoire compared Katrina to Hurricane Agnes of 1972 that flooded the Susquehanna Valley. As a result of that flood, she recalled, many people who had never needed government assistance and who had negative attitudes toward those who did found themselves applying for welfare.
Those people learned that anyone could end up homeless. Gregoire suggested it would be interesting to see if the same shift in attitude happens to Katrina victims.

Just how the government is going to afford the cost of providing assistance to hurricane victims is unclear. According to Michael Gumpper, professor of economics, funding for these disasters and for the Iraq War are not part of the 2005 budget of $2.44 trillion. Because the national debt is already at $7.938 trillion, Gumpper said we can expect to see unprecedented amounts of government borrowing, higher interest rates, slower economic growth, and a rise in unemployment and inflation.

Another reason prices for merchandise, particularly items made from natural gas, will go up has to do with the fact that so many chemical plants in Louisiana were shut down due to Katrina, explained Robert Wismer, professor of chemistry.

Although these plants sustained little to no damage, it could take months for them to get back into operation because they can’t begin production until electricity, water, communication, and transportation services have been restored. In the meantime, the price for products made from natural gas, such as gasoline, paints, electronics, and even plastic diapers, will rise.

“Katrina will go on record as being one of the deadliest and most costly storms,” said Sepi Yalda, associate professor of meteorology. Ultimately, she said, Katrina could prompt changes in meteorology. First, it could lead to increased funding of research to develop better forecasting methods. “With more accurate forecasts, lives can be saved,” she said.

Yalda observed that many people who lived in the affected areas didn’t know what a hurricane could do. So, she feels that more information about meteorology needs to get out to the public. Additionally, Katrina should prompt improvements in communication between meteorologists and decision makers.

During the forum’s question and answer session, one audience member asked if New Orleans should be rebuilt. Fischer responded by saying, that restoring the French Quarter because of its historical significance makes sense. “But,” he said, “I don’t know about the wisdom of rebuilding in an area that is below sea level.”

When Millersville University students saw the devastation of Hurricane Katrina on television, they took action and began a campus-wide effort to provide disaster relief to victims of the hurricane. Anything ranging from flood buckets to clothing was collected on the Millersville campus and then was distributed to Care Force, Water Street Rescue Mission and the First United Methodist Church of Lancaster, where the supplies were then taken to the devastated areas. Millersville’s student chapter of the American Meteorological Society sponsored a hurricane relief drive to benefit the American Red Cross.

Not only did the University students come together for the victims of Katrina, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education opened their doors to students from Pennsylvania who were enrolled in colleges or universities that had been forced to close in the aftermath of the hurricane. In addition, the system waived the tuition and fees.

Meagan Beechler (pictured) of Lancaster was supposed to start her junior year at Tulane University.

Enrolled at Millersville, Meagan plans to return to Tulane next semester. She says she is not afraid of the hurricanes, but wonders how different New Orleans will look when she goes back.
1940s
Ada Z Good ’46, and husband Monroe, Holtwood, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on 8/11/05.

Clarence H. Preitz ’51, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, recently served as a panel member of an International Forum, “Making Things in Education,” which was held at Expo 2005, Aichi, Japan. One of ten international educators selected to comprise the panel, he is professor emeritus with University of Alberta, Canada.

1950s
Richard L. Good ’50, and wife Harriet, Lancaster, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 7/23/05.

Gerald M. Barger ’52, Lancaster, was inducted into the 2005 Millersville University Athletic Hall of Fame. He was a full-time PSAC 155-pound champion wrestler and a member of the 1949 and 1951 state champion Marauder teams.

Pat (Baker) Walker ’53 and husband Ben, Hellam, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 6/25/05.

Evelyn A. Shenk ’55, and husband Robert, Lancaster, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 7/10/05.

Jay D. Weaver ’56 and wife Mary, Lancaster, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 7/15/05.

1960s
Fay Kramer ’62, Millersville, was inducted into the 2005 Millersville University Athletic Hall of Fame as a twice leading scorer in field hockey and a charter member of the Marauder intercollegiate women’s tennis team in 1961.

Sandra Munro ’62, Lancaster, organized a group of retired teachers, “Standing Room Only,” to sing and dance for area senior citizens.

Henry Roth Taylor ’62, Abington, retired as director of Alumni Relations at Chestnut Hill College. He remains as an adjunct professor in the business communications department with the college.

Dr. Regis Bernhardt ’63, Kutztown, was appointed dean of the College of Education at Kutztown University.

Barry R. Ersek ’63, Glen Mills, retired after 24 years as superintendent of Haddonfield Public Schools. He is co-director of professional development for the New Jersey Association of School Administrators.

Clyde Rubin McMillan-Gamber Jr. ’63, New Holland, an interpretive naturalist with the Lancaster County Environmental Center, worked with other naturalists over the summer at Lancaster County Park teaching inner-city youth about nature.

Kenneth G. Munro ’63, Lancaster, a retired schoolteacher, published book number 17 in the Sammy and Brian mystery series, The Mysterious Baseball Scorecard, which includes local people and places such as Clipper Magazine Stadium.

Mini-reunion for basketball players—and fans—from the Nifty Fifties

A group of friends and classmates from the 1950s held a mini-reunion in West Chester on September 18, 2005, that was attended by 27 people. The focus was on basketball players from the era. The 2006 reunion will center on Millersville professors from the 50s.

Former Marauder basketball players (left to right): Note: Don Weining had to leave the festivities early and missed the group photo. The Review has electronically added Don (holding the basketball over his head) to the photo.

Here also are the responses to the question: What was your “most memorable moment” during the time you played at Millersville?

Don Weining ’56: “The game versus LaSalle University, defending Tom Gola who left me in his dust.” Gola went on to basketball fame playing with the then Philadelphia Warriors.

Charles “Cake” Alexander ’55: “During a game, placing the ball on the court at the Zembo Mosque. An opposing player picked up the ball and scored a goal. A bit embarrassing.”

Bob Lehr ’57: “Playing when Millersville had the Marauder mascot being very visible at many sporting events.”

Syl Williams ’58: “Going to Kansas City for the NAIS tournament and then visiting Wilt Chamberlain afterwards when he played at Kansas.”

Bill Werkiser ’55: “Not losing a league game during my junior and senior years.”

Reg Rife ’58: “Beating LaSalle University at the Palestra.”

Bill Romans ’57: Host for the reunion and game announcer for home basketball games during the mid-fifties. “The rare privilege of experiencing wins for practically every home game played in Brooks Hall.”
Linda (Miller) Perella ’63, Gap, retired from Pequea Valley School District after 35 years of service.

A. Martha (Denlinger) Stahl ’65, Lititz, wrote a book titled, Second Wife; Stories and Wisdom from Women Who Have Married Widows. It was published by Good Books based in Intercourse, Pa.

William H. Forrey ’66, Lancaster, was named Central Pennsylvania’s Sales & Marketing Executive of the Year by Sales & Marketing Executives International. He is the director of project development at Wohlsen Construction.

Deanna Frankovich ’66, Camp Hill, retired from the Harrisburg School District after 35 years as an elementary teacher.

Robert Allen Frick ’66, Lancaster, superintendent of Lampeter-Strasburg School District, was the guest of honor at Solanco’s alumni and community dessert social. He is also president of the Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators.

Mildred (Engel) Keefer ’66, Harrisburg, retired after 39 years in education. She was employed as a reading specialist for the Harrisburg School District for 31 years, and the technology coordinator/computer teacher for the Diocese of Harrisburg at Seven Sorrows BVM School for the last eight years.

Gloria A. (Seliga) Bornichak ’68, Onsted, Mich., was named principal of Herrick Park Elementary School for Tecumseh Public Schools. She taught special education, kindergarten and second grade for the past 21 years.

J. Robert Heckman ’68, Elizabethtown, is a business agent for Coldwell Banker Homesale Services Group at their Elizabethtown office.

Evelyn E. Sullivan ’68, Lancaster, executive director of the Lancaster Bar Association, was elected vice-president of the National Association of Bar Executives.

Beverly (Hacker) Breniser ’69, Denver, executive director of Conestoga Valley Education Foundation and a retired principal of Leola Elementary School, was appointed a board member of Leadership Lancaster.

David Haines ’69, Lancaster, a self-employed Trager teacher, produced a DVD, Twenty Minute Body/Mind Routine. The DVD was featured in the Lancaster Intelligencer Journal in the Business Monday section.

Carol M. Migonini-Ferguson ’69, Bristol, was featured in “Women Who Make a Difference” during Women’s History Month 2005 in Lower Bucks County. She was recognized as an educator, a business woman and a woman of achievement by the Annual March of Dimes and for her community service by the State Senate of Pennsylvania, installed in August 2005 as the senior pastor of Community Lutheran Church, a large ELCA congregation in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Col. William J. Davis III ’71, Virginia Beach, Va., has retired from active duty as a Special Forces soldier after 34 years of service.

Kimberly H. Klein ’71, Lancaster, has been hired by DePaul Planning & Design as director for Gallery DePaul. She owned and operated Sawtooth, a retail gallery which exhibited and marketed her signature wall quilts.

Donald Carl Jr., ’72, Palmyra, was promoted to director of education for the Success Academy with the Community Action Commission (CAC) in Harrisburg. He has been with CAC since February 2002.

Michael S. Davis ’72, Apopka, Fla., retired from the Muncy School District in 2003 where he taught industrial arts and coached wrestling and baseball. He is currently employed with RDV Sportsplex, Orlando, Fla., as a personal trainer/strength and conditioning specialist.

Larry R. Williard ’72, Canandaigua, N.Y., retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs after 32 years of service. He last served as chief of acquisition and material management.

Henry W. Fischer III ’73, Millersville, director of Millersville University’s Center for Disaster Research & Education, visited Thailand in April after the tsunami to help conduct a research project funded by the National Science Foundation. He also led a group to Louisiana and Mississippi to

1970s

Henry Deemer ’70, Leola, retired from Pequea Valley School District after 35 years of service.

Mary Ann Heltshe-Steinhauer ’70, Mount Gretna, received her master’s degree in library science from Clarion University.

James Lombardo ’70, East Petersburg, retired from state government in 2002 after 35 years of service. He works as a consultant for the Pa. State Association of Township Supervisor.

Charles R. Wagner ’70, Pottsville, retired as principal after 35 years at Pottsville Area High School.

Warren J. Weaver ’70, York, was named director of Pennsylvania Recycling Markets Center located on the campus of Penn State Harrisburg. He previously served as the regional representative for Pennsylvania Technical Assistance Program of Penn State.

Mark D. Wickstrom ’70 was
study the hurricane tragedy and the handling of the deceased.

Stephen Hayes '73, Lewistown, is the volunteer offensive assistant coach for Bucknell University having spent the last 15 years as assistant coach at Juniata College and as the Eagles’ offensive coordinator and offensive line coach.

Michael Kevin Barr '74, Wallingford, is the head coach at Strath Haven High School, and was inducted into the 2005 MU Athletic Hall of Fame for having captained the 1972 Marauder NAIA playoff team.

Rebecca (Bruckart) Fadner '74, Rochester, N.Y., was named vice-president of marketing for Kingdom Ventures, Inc., an import business which was formed by Carl Wytovich '74, Wallingford, and as the Eagles’ offensive coordinator and offensive line coach.


James E. Gochnauer '75, Paradise, has accepted the position of principal at the Followers of Jesus School in Brooklyn, N.Y. The 1-12 individualized, multi-ethnic school of 50 students uses an individualized, self-paced curriculum to meet the varied abilities of its students.

Bob Rothsfi '75, Lancaster, a local contractor specializing in senior care and retirement communities, received his certified general contractor license for the state. He works for Paul Risk Associates, Inc., of Quarryville.

Elizabeth A. (Burruss) Ford '77, Gaithersburg, Md., was promoted to program area director of Zero to Three’s “Leaders for the 21st Century” program. This leadership development initiative provides opportunities to collaborate with top leaders to improve lives of children.

Livia (Hall) Smith '77, Chester, received her master’s degree in strategic leadership from Neumann College. She was appointed by Governor Ed Rendell as a board member to the Pa. Dept. of Community and Economic Development’s bank load program.

Catherine L. Yoder ’77, Lancaster, was appointed to director of resident services, marketing and admissions for Phoebe Berks Health Care Center and Village Commons.

Marilou Adams ’79, Lancaster, recently became a consultant with the Parish Resource Center.

Timothy M. Kelly ’79, West Chester, opened Destiny Brewing and Old Moose Grill which is a family restaurant and a brew pub in Phoenixville.

Kathe R. Umlauf ’79, Edinboro, received her master’s degree in fine arts from Edinboro University.

1980s

Paul D. Camacci ’80, Norristown, joined Prudential Select Properties in Conshohocken as a sales associate.

Denise L. Chandler ’80, Oxford, was honored for her outstanding service and commitment to Second Church and the Oxford community. She received a proclamation from Harold Gray, mayor of Oxford, at the annual Presbyterian Women’s Banquet on 8/27/05.

Dana A. Chryst ’81, Lancaster, was featured in Central Penn Business Journal for her work as CEO and owner of The Jay Group, Inc.

Debbie Lauren (Dixon) Becks ’82, Cheltenham, received her master’s degree in library science from Clarion University.

Randy Maxson ’83, Winona Lake, was appointed the interim executive dean of Ivy Tech Community College’s Warsaw campus.

Violet M. Apple ’84, East Petersburg, was one of six women to receive the “Women Who Care” Award for 2005. She is the executive director for the Penn Laurel Girl Scout Council and serves on the boards of Family Service, Arbor Place and Crispus Attucks Community Center.

Ginny McCaskey ’84, Ephrata, has joined the Coldwell Banker Homeside Services Group as a sales associate. She is a member of the Pennsylvania Association of Realtors, National Association of Realtors and the Lancaster County Association of Realtors.

Steve Mescanti ’84, Media, coached the Penncrest High School ice hockey team to the school’s first-ever state championship and was honored with a parade in April 2005.

Michael G. Warfel ’84, Camp Hill, was elected chairman of Millersville University’s Council of Trustees. He is vice president and lobbyist for Highmark, Inc., a health insurance firm.

John P. Vozezza ’85, Lancaster, was promoted to controller of the affiliated companies for High Industries, Inc., in Lancaster.

Edward Foley ’86, Charlotte, N.C., is now working in residential real estate sales and is affiliated with Keller Williams Realty in Charlotte, N.C.

Angela F. Kern ’86, York, joined Sterling Financial Corp. as vice president of technical support services.

Kathleen L. Rye ’86, Lancaster, was promoted to president and chief executive officer of Wheatland Federal Credit Union in spring 2005. She was previously director of marketing and operations.

Douglas S. Tshudy ’86, Lancaster, was promoted to vice president loan servicing officer in the loan operations department for Fulton Financial Corp. He previously served as vice president of the credit card department.

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John Zero ’86, Fredericksburg, Va., was promoted to supervisory special agent of the FBI. He was formerly assigned as an instructor at the FBI Academy, Quantico, Va.

Brian T. Gladden ’87, Pittsfield, was named vice president and general manager of Lexan Resin and Global Product Companies for GE Plastics. He was formerly vice president and chief financial officer for GE Advanced Materials.

Elizabeth M. Massar ’89, Lebanon, was hired as superintendent of Tulpehocken Area School District in Bernville.

Andrew R. Cristinio ’91, New York, N.Y., was named head of transaction services’ aerospace and defense industry group for Pricewaterhouse Coopers.

James F. Ringlein ’92, Lancaster, was featured in a Lancaster Intelligencer Journal article about his study at John Hopkins University concerning nanoporous gold, which might one day revolutionize hydrogen fuel cell cars. He teaches physics at Lancaster Country Day School and plans to teach his students about it in the coming semesters.

Dorcas Riehl ’04, Millersville, was selected from a national pool of over 2,500 applicants to participate in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. This program facilitates greater intercultural understanding between the two nations.

Virginia E. Ackiewicz ’88, Lancaster, was hired as girls basketball coach for Penn Manor High School.

Steve Junkin ’88, Dillsburg, was featured in an Evening Sun article for his transfer from the Carlisle state police barracks to taking command of the Gettysburg state police barracks.

Lynn Reinhart ’92, Shippensburg, was selected from a national pool of over 2,500 applicants to participate in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. This program facilitates greater intercultural understanding between the two nations.

Dale R. Killinger ’88, Oxford, Miss., was recognized for Outstanding Contributions in Law Enforcement by the director, Executive Office for United States Attorneys, Department of Justice for outstanding performance in a three-year investigation into drug smuggling and trafficking, money laundering and other illegal activities.

Tamar (Fortna) Ober ’88, Mount Joy, is a group supervisor and assistant kindergarten teacher at Shepherd’s Flock Child Care in Mount Joy. She is also the organist and choir director at Coleman Memorial Chapel in Lititz.

Robert J. Bradfield ’89, Marietta, was inducted in the MU Athletic Hall of Fame for 2005 for his accomplishment as the men’s basketball team career and single assist leader.

Elizabeth M. Massar ’89, Lebanon, was hired as superintendent of Tulpehocken Area School District in Bernville.

1990s

Jackie Weaver ’90, Lancaster, earned a master's degree in nursing from Widener University in May 2005. She joined the faculty at Harrisburg Area Community College, Lancaster Campus, as an assistant professor of nursing.

Kristen Robinson ’92, Jeannette, achieved the All Star Award for 2004 with Abbott Laboratories. Kristen finished in the top five percent of the sales force after five years with the company.

E. John Roach ’92, Reading, was promoted to vice president and commercial real estate specialist for Leesport Bank, Spring Township.

Shippensburg’s nursing program, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary, helped Dorcas become the nurse practitioner many people have come to know and love. “Millersville’s nursing program is excellent. I came out of school well prepared and with a lot of experience. My medical director was impressed with the amount of knowledge I had on chronic care.” She also spoke highly of the program’s instructors and preceptors, a mentor who provides the nursing students with practical experience and training. “The nursing department tries to match the personalities of the students with the personalities of a preceptors.”

Dorcas loves her work as a nurse practitioner. “The pay isn’t great, but there are a lot of other rewards,” said Dorcas. “And, I often get to take home a homemade pie for my husband.”

She is now a mentor for students who are enrolled in the nursing program.

Dorcas works at a federally qualified community health center, which provides health services to low income families and drives door to door to visit Amish children. The Horse and Buggy program offers Amish families and Old Order Mennonite families the opportunity for a nurse practitioner or a physician’s assistant to visit their homes so their children can be immunized and receive a thorough health examination. “The Amish are becoming more receptive to healthcare especially when visited and examined by a nurse practitioner. With having background knowledge of the Amish culture, I am able to help them understand the importance of certain immunizations in order to ensure their child’s health and safety.” Millersville’s nursing program, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary, helped Dorcas become the nurse practitioner many people have come to know and love. “Millersville’s nursing program is excellent. I came out of school well prepared and with a lot of experience. My medical director was impressed with the amount of knowledge I had on chronic care.” She also spoke highly of the program’s instructors and preceptors, a mentor who provides the nursing students with practical experience and training. “The nursing department tries to match the personalities of the students with the personalities of a preceptors.”

As a nurse practitioner with a bachelor's and master's degree in nursing and extensive experience, Dorcas Riehl '04 could have her choice of many high paying jobs in her field. But, she took the road less traveled by providing health care to Amish children through the Horse and Buggy Immunization Program.

“I wanted to work in the community I grew up in and I had heard about the programs offered at Welsh Mountain Medical Center and Meadow Creek Family Practice in New Holland,” said Dorcas.

Horse & Buggy practitioner

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different cultures of the world.

Christine Marie Aust '93, Morristown, is employed with Man B&W Diesel Inc., the world's largest marine diesel engine manufacturer, based in Manhattan.

Tina Gray '93, Winchester, Va., competed in an American Adventure Sports race in Ohiopyle State Park in Pennsylvania. Her team placed second and qualified for the National Adventure Racing Championship competition in November in Tampa, Fla.


Lisa J. Sanchez '93, Bird in Hand, is a teacher and naturalist who serves as a staff leader for the Sense of Wonder Camp every summer.

Duncan Smith '93, Ocean View, Del., is the principal at Frankford Elementary School. He previously served as a teacher and assistant principal at the Indian River High School.

Keith N. Weller '93, Leola, was hired by Superior Walls of America, Ltd., of New Holland as corporate controller.

Nancy Aument '94, Madison, Wis., is leading a youth with a mission disciple house for Christian university students called the Phos House on the campus of the University of Wisconsin.

Billie Jo (Long) Harner '94, Reading, won two Delaware state championship races in the Filly category of the United States of America Clydesdale Filly Racing Federation for both the 5-mile and the 3K state championships. She an ESL teacher with the Reading Area School District.

Michael L. Lausch '94, Reading, was hired as Londonderry Elementary School's new principal in the Lower Dauphin School District.

Angela R. Lutz '94, Kutztown, was inducted into the MU Athletic Hall of Fame for 2005 for her earning Division II All-American third team honors in softball and holding three MU all time records. She also played field hockey.

Patrick Market '94, Columbia, Mo., was awarded tenure and promoted to associate professor of atmospheric science by the University of Missouri, Columbia campus.

Karen (Luft) Heverling '95, San Jose, Calif., was appointed principal of Williams Elementary School, in the San Jose Unified School District.

Jessamy Killingsworth '95, Emmaus, completed a master's degree in educational technology from Wilkes University in 2003. She is a first grade teacher at Ironon Elementary in the Parkland School District.

Michael J. Meraglia '95, West Chester, was hired as director of financial services at American Health Care Providers Insurance Services in Philadelphia.

Todd M. Fischer '96, Lancaster, was promoted to collection manager at Town & Country Leasing, a nationwide fleet and equipment leasing company and affiliate of Sterling Financial Corp.

Abby L. Hafer '96, Pequea, was hired a special education teacher at Warwick High School.

Thomas Hironimus '96, Lancaster, earned a master's degree in education from Wilkes University in May 2005.

Melissa B. Miville '96, Stevens, has joined HomeSale Mortgage Services as a loan officer.

George K. Mummet '96, Millersville, is a sculptor who worked with a team of artists to construct a 21-foot bronze terrorsaurus dinosaur to be displayed at the Peabody Museum of Natural History.

Cher M. Rineer '96, Lancaster, is a member of Leadership Lancaster's Class of 2005. She is employed as corporate communications coordinator at Wenger's Feed Mill.

Stephen J. Rodriguez '96, Reading, was hired as principal at Pottstown High School. He was formally acting principal at Hamburg Area High School.

Susan Baldridge '97, Conestoga, was honored by Pa. Newspaper Association with a first place award for best feature story. Her article, "Erin's Secret," was about a high school girl who faked a pregnancy for a class project.

Gerald S. Mack '97, Philadelphia, was inducted into the MU Athletic Hall of Fame for 2005 for sprinting accomplishments of three time NCAA Division II All-American and two time PSAC 100 and 200 meter champion records. He also rushed over 2,200 yards for the football team.

Jeremy L. Wineberg '97, Lancaster, received a master's degree in fine arts from the University of Delaware in May 2005.

Travis Hauguel '98, Silver Spring, Md., earned a master's degree in biotechnology from Johns Hopkins University while working as senior lab technician for its School of Medicine's Cancer Research Center.

Kimberly A. Platz '98, Lancaster, was promoted to district supervisor for Adoptions from the Heart in Lancaster. She was formerly a domestic social worker for the organization.

Kristen E. (Corwin) Schaffer '98, Sinking Spring, graduated magna cum laude from Kutztown University in May 2005 with a master's degree in elementary education. She teaches English language arts for kindergarten in the Reading School District.

Tim Bailey '99, Downingtown, received his master's degree in information systems from Drexel University in June 2005.

Joseph F. Bartosik '99, Gaithersburg, Md., is a meteorologist for WeatherBug in Germantown.

Thomas E. Hopta '99, Ephrata, was nominated as one of Central Penn Business Journal’s Forty Under 40 Award recipients for 2005. He is senior vice president and CFO of Sharp Innovations, Inc., a Lancaster-based Internet marketing firm.

Daniel V. Kahler '99, Willow Street, joined Securus, a Lancaster insurance agency, as a risk management consultant.

Emily Anne Marhevsky '99, Champaign, Ill., earned a doctoral degree in veterinary medicine and received the Dr. Beryl D. and Renee Mell Award from the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine in May 2005.

Jamal Palmer '99, Philadelphia, was named assistant men's basketball coach at Slippery Rock University. He was formerly an assistant coach at Shippensburg University.

Holli J. Reidlinger '99, Duncannon, was featured in Harrisburg's The Patriot-News, for enlisting with FEMA to help with disaster relief in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. She is a state employee and an EMT with Duncannon and West Shore emergency medical services.

Andrea M. Schanbacher '99, Baltimore, Md., is a volunteer for Best Buddies of Maryland, a mentoring program that assists people with intellectual disabilities.
Nancy A. (Wetzel) Benson ’00, West Chester, was hired as a fifth grade teacher at East Lansdowne Basics School in the William Penn School District.

Mike Chick ’00, Arlington, Va., earned a Juris doctorate degree in May 2005 from the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C.

Jason D. Ibach ’00, Lititz, was promoted to manager of the Fulton Bank, Manor Shopping Center branch.

Paulina Melin-Catepillan ’00, Newark, Del., earned a master’s degree in political science and international relations from the University of Delaware in May.

Carley Persa-Karpathios ’00, Bethlehem, is employed by Lancaster Career and Technology Center at Career Link as a safety trainer.

Bart M. Trainer ’00, Leola, was named team builder for Charter Homes’ Millioncreek neighborhood in West Lampeter Township.

Gabrielle Ambros ’01, Norristown, was appointed American Red Cross volunteer recruitment manager.

Ann Marie (McElwain) Ostereich ’01, York, received a master’s degree in education from Edinboro University in May 2005.

Stephanie Szerlag ’01, Hartboro, was featured in the Tuckerton Beacon newspaper in July 2005 for her study of the terrapin population in New Jersey. She is pursuing a master’s degree from St. Joseph’s University in Philadelphia.

Thomas J. Baker ’02, Pittsburgh, won the Republican primary for the Pittsburgh Public School Board. He is a recruitment specialist for the Three Rivers Adoption Council and has completed his master’s degree from Indiana University of Pa.

Melanie P. Donley ’02, Newark, Del., earned a master’s degree in psychology from the University of Delaware in May 2005.

Joseph E. Trainer ’02, West Chester, earned a master’s degree in sociology from the University of Delaware in May 2005.

Erin L. (Johnson) Baker ’03, Pittsburgh, was hired as the student and university relations associate for the Coro Center for Civic Leadership’s Regional Internship Center. She earned her master’s degree in corporate communication from Duquesne University.

Willard Smith ’03, Lancaster, was hired by the Lancaster City Police Department.

Cory Souliard ’03, Nottingham, finished in the top three percent in the Boston Marathon. He finished with a time of 2 hours, 58 minutes, and 32 seconds.

Leah-Nicole Wenger ’03, Ephrata, joined Weber Advertising & Marketing of Lancaster as a public relations specialist. Previously, she was a public relations coordinator and graphic designer for the Water Street Rescue Mission.

Timothy J. Bradley ’04, Library, was hired as assistant account executive for Dymun & Co. in Pittsburgh.

Jeremy Gephart ’04, Harrisburg, is now teaching emotional support in the Harrisburg School District.

Katie W. Jones ’04, Mohnton, graduated as number one in her class for the U.S. Army’s Adjutant General Basic Course in Ft. Jackson, S.C. She received the Benjamin Harrison Medal for the achievement. Commissioned as a second lieutenant through ROTC at Millersville, she is now a member of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard.

Kristy (Reel) Lovelace ’04, Lititz, was hired as a community service and education coordinator for Lancaster Newspapers, Inc.

Katelyn McManamon ’04, Clarks Summit, was hired as the public relations coordinator of Moses Taylor Hospital in Scranton.

Nicole M. Shields ’04, Silver Spring, Md., is the new girls volleyball coach at Paint Branch High School.

Abby Stampona ’04, Wind Gap, was hired as a fourth grade teacher at Stroudsburg Intermediate School.

Graham Waters ’04, Bethesda, Md., accepted a job with the City of New Carrollton as the assistant city administrator.

Robyn Byers ’05, Onancock, Va., was hired as a planning analyst for Accomack County.

Kat Garrett ’05, Carlisle, joined PCN (Pennsylvania Cable Network) as assistant producer.


Andrea Sabia ’05, Brodheadsville, was hired as office production assistant for mtvU of MTV Networks after completing her internship this summer.

Sam Slaymaker ’05, Richmond Hill, Ga., was featured in the Lancaster New Era for becoming the first local attorney to devote an entire practice to preservation law, Staymaker Heritage Law.

Conor Wentland ’05, York, is employed at York Catholic High School as an English teacher.

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Marriages

Stephen M. Sieger ’88 and Audra Brooke Thompson, 6/4/05.
Angela M. Nacrelli ’90 and Michael P. Fettig, 7/30/05.
Paul Kelly ’91 and Susan Powell, 6/11/05.
Sheena Rhymer ’92 and Joseph Krock, 9/8/01.
David J. Kmiecik ’93 and Cheryl L. Swain ’00, 6/24/05.
Matthew R. Allen ’94 and Mary Elizabeth Autrey, 6/11/05.
Sheena Rhymer ’92 and Joseph Krock, 9/8/01.

Births

Mary Ann Knovich ’86, and husband John Andrysick, a daughter, Rachel Marie on 8/24/04.
Michelle M. (Shuler) Innerst ’89, and husband Michael, a daughter, Isabella Lily, on 3/18/04.
Susan (DeWire) Seacord ’89, and husband Steven, a son, Andrew Charles, on 9/25/04.
Dianne M. (Wright) Scathergood ’90, and husband Brian, two daughters: Amber Victoria, on 6/30/03, and Ivy Ellen, on 3/17/05.
Sheena (Rhymer) Krock ’92, and husband Joseph, a son, Aidan, on 3/7/03.
Fulvio “Sal” Capone ’93, and wife Marzia, a son, Christian, on 6/6/05.

Jennifer A. (Heagy) Feeser ’93, and husband Steven, a son, Timothy Andrew, on 3/1/05.

Jennifer L. (Solimeo) Lawrence ’93, and husband Dave, a son, Brady Thomas, on 12/1/04.

Kevin Rosini, ’93, a son, Zackary Kevin, on May 6, 2004.


Sandy A. (Aberts) Crellin ’94, and husband Michael, a daughter, Emily Mae, on 2/15/05.

Sherri (Rhodes) Moletriss ’94, and husband Chad ’94, a daughter, Gabrielle Kristanna, on 4/28/05.

Julie M. (Benson) Bachman ’95, and husband Matthew, a daughter, Jenna Grace, on 2/8/05.

Amy (Moore) Boyle ’95, and husband Tim, a daughter, Isabella Marie, on 12/10/04.

Amy (Hessenthaler) Katsikis ’95, and husband George, a daughter, Elizabeth, on 4/10/05.

Jennifer (Fenstermacher) MacNair ’95, and husband Scott, a son, Lucas Scott, on 3/5/04.

James L. Medina ’95, and wife Stacie (Amoroso) ’97, a son, Adrian James, on 4/10/05.

Wendy (Bailey) Bogansky ’96, and husband John, a second daughter, Tara Ann, on 3/28/05.

Thomas Hironimus ’96, and wife Tonya (Schaffer) ’97, a daughter, Jordyn Bella, on 7/22/05.

Stephanie (Leonards) Roman ’96, and husband Gregory, a daughter Katherine Elizabeth, on 6/30/05.

Corbett Bryant Rowcliffe ’96, and wife Jocelyn, a daughter, Ainsley Morgan, on 7/27/05.

Allison (Larkin) Schiding ’96, and husband Ron, a daughter, Tessa Claire, on 6/24/05.

Todd Stefeneck ’96, and wife, Wendy S. (Egan) ’99, a daughter, Brianna Carol, on 5/9/05.

Kristin A. (Smith) Blank ’97, and husband Karl ’97, a daughter, Kourtney Anna, on 7/4/05.

Sarah (Lawson) Cervino ’97, and husband Christopher, a daughter Siena, on 4/19/05.

Carol (Kline) Cox ’97, and husband Anthony ’97, a son, James Michael, on 12/20/04.

Ashley (Stewart) Wolmer ’97, and husband Brian Wolmer, a son, Albert James, on 8/21/04.

Christopher Yarrish ’97, and wife Alison (Sipes) ’98, a son, Alexander, on 2/11/05.

Danielle (Gehlen) Yocom ’97, and husband Matthew, a son, Samuel James, on 7/6/05.

Nicole Lynn (Baker) Cutman ’98, and husband Jeremy, a son Alexander Knight, on 2/21/05.

Misty (Michaelis) Denlinger ’98, and husband Donovan, a son, Brock Daniel, on 9/8/04.

Shane Snyder ’98, and wife Erin, a daughter, Amelia Jane, in September 2003.

Carrie (Petrosi) Wilson ’98, and husband Chris ’98, a son, Maximus Christian, on 5/10/05.

Jessica (Lock) Groff ’99, and husband John, a son, Chase Riley, on 6/28/05.


Ron Kummerer ’99, and wife Danielle, a daughter, Carli, on 8/1/05.

Judy (Gruver) Gontz ’00, and husband Trevor ’01, a son, Nickolas Ray, on 6/6/05.

Shawn Foxworth ’01, and wife Sherice, a daughter, Madison Jefferies-Foxworth, on 7/24/03

LaRae D. (Robinson) Hege ’01, and husband Allan, a daughter, Paige Mae, on 5/4/05.

Leah (Kurpie) Reiter ’01, and husband Kristian ’01, a daughter, Ella Grace, on 8/10/05.

Deaths

Cora W. Murphy ’27, Windber, passed away on 7/14/05.

Alta H. Paul ’30, Willimington, Del, passed away on 8/17/2005, at the age of 95. She taught elementary school in Delaware and Pennsylvania schools for 30 years.

Emmett N. Kurtz ’32, Lakeland, Fl., died on 1/9/05, at the age of 93. He was a retired school teacher for Pennsville High School.

Dorothy B. Gerlac ’38, Lancaster, passed away on 8/30/05, at the age of 89. She was also a graduate of Millersville University and Franklin & Marshall College and had taught English at Solanco and Penn Manor High Schools.

Miriam (Huber) George ’43, Adelphi, Md., passed away on 6/22/05, at the age of 90. Born on a small farm in Lititz, she convinced her family to help her go to college at the age of 26. She graduated as valedictorian of her class and as president of Millersville’s English Club, she hosted a breakfast for poet Robert Frost. A retired school librarian, she and her family traveled extensively.

Isabelle H. Binkley ’44, Lancaster, passed away on 8/16/05, at the age of 82. She was a member of Phi Sigma Pi, national honor fraternity. She served 29 years in the U.S. Air Force.

Kenneth G. Williams ’49, Glenside, passed away on 6/16/05, at the age of 88. He taught in the School District of Philadelphia for 35 years.

Curth W. Gable ’51, Lederach, died on 3/7/05, at the age of 75.

Harriet A. Herman ’61, Lancaster, passed away on 8/13/05, at the age of 67. She taught at Martin Luther King Elementary School for 36 years and in retirement owned and operated Herman’s Day Care.

Howard Nelson Street ’66, Stewartstown, passed away on 6/9/05, at the age of 60.

Judy K. McKinney Tamshak ’68, Lancaster, passed away on 8/16/05, at the age of 59. She was an English teacher for 17 years at Columbia Jr./Sr. High School and later was a substitute teacher and tutor.

Margaret Van Kirk ’70, Burgettstown, passed away on 6/21/01, at the age of 86.

Heidi Bream Fly ’73, Denver, Colo., passed away on 12/2/04, at the age of 52.

CORRECTION

Neil E. Everhart ’55, York, died on 4/10/05, at the age of 71. He served as the principal at West York Area High School for 32 years and as an adjunct professor at York College and Penn State’s York campus.
Thousands of Millersville alumni returned home to salute their alma mater. The weekend, comprised of campus and community events including the Diamond Rio concert, the Millersville community parade, a pep rally, the Cultural Showcase, lectures and exhibits, open houses, class meetings, and luncheons, the Athletic Hall of Fame induction and many more.
Country music stars Diamond Rio entertain at the Homecoming concert.

2005 Hall of Fame inductees. Seated (left to right): Debra Schlegel (coach, basketball), Fay F. Kramer ’62 (field hockey/tennis) and Angela R. Lutz ’94 (softball/field hockey); Standing (l to r): Gerald S. Mack ’97 (track/football), Michael K. Barr ’74 (soccer), Robert J. Bradfield ’89 (basketball) and Gerald M. Barger ’52 (wrestling).

Senior Juan Jones #33 carried the ball 35 times and rushed for 203 yards and a touchdown during the Millersville victory over Mansfield, 31-14.

The Charity King Matt Goodwan and Queen Haley McLaughlin raised the most money for their charities.

Everyone had fun with the circus themed Millersville community parade.

New this year was a pie eating contest for students. The type of pie seemed to be whipped cream in a bowl.

The families of Jeff ‘84 and Robin ’83 Smith, Kim ’91 and Pete ’84 Kingsley, and Greg ’91 and Jamie ’91 Lapp had fun together.

The Phillie Phanatic works the crowd along the parade route.

Friends and members of the Class of 1970, Linda Steffy and Barbara Lashley, were reunited.
President plans alumni visits in 2006

As mentioned in an earlier Review, President Francine G. McNairy will host several town meetings during the 2005-06 academic year.

Dr. McNairy began her 2005-06 tour with a visit on November 30 to Philadelphia. The Philadelphia area is home to over 1,000 alumni. MU alumni populations within the other four destinations include Florida (838), Georgia (252) which will also be held in conjunction with alumni attending the American Meteorological Society Annual Convention; Pittsburgh area (258) and New York (436).

Plan for a memorable evening with reminiscing about your time at MU while meeting friends old and new. Alumni will also hear updates on the status of the University and visions for the future.

Register online for these alumni events at www.villealumni.com or call the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855.

Naples, Florida - Saturday, January 14, noon–2 p.m., Patrics Restaurant

Atlanta - Tuesday, January 31, 6-8 p.m., Omni Hotel at CNN Center

Pittsburgh - Monday, February 6, 5-7:30 p.m., The Hilton Pittsburgh Hotel

New York City - Thursday, May 18, 6-8:30 p.m., Carmine's Restaurant

Baltimore alumni reception planned

MU’s Department of Industry and Technology, the School of Education and MU’s Alumni Association will be hosting an alumni reception on March 23 in conjunction with the 68th Annual ITEA Conference. Plan to join current MU ITECH students, alumni and faculty at this reception to be held at The Wharf Rat, 206 West Pratt Street, Baltimore, Maryland (directly across from the Baltimore Convention Center). Register online for this alumni event by visiting www.villealumni.com or calling the Alumni Office at 800-681-1855.

Travel regionally with Destinations

Sunday, March 5: Philadelphia Flower Show. Celebrate “Enchanted Spring...A Tribute to Mother Nature” at the opening day of the Philadelphia Flower Show. Price of $65 includes coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, boxed gourmet breakfast and admission to the show.

Broadway Shows in New York City

Broadway trips include coach bus transportation, driver gratuity, boxed gourmet breakfast and seating in the orchestra or mezzanine sections.

Saturday, February 25: Choice of two classic musical hits, Chicago ($155/pp) or The Producers. ($155/pp)

Sunday, April 30: SPAMALOT: The legendary tale of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table, and their quest for the Holy Grail is told Monty Python style. ($175/pp)

Saturday, May 20: Tarzan ($130/pp) or The Color Purple ($155/pp). Disney adapts its award-winning animated film Tarzan to the stage – its first Broadway musical in five years. The Color Purple, Alice Walker’s classic Pulitzer Prize-winning novel becomes a soul-stirring new musical.

For more information or to make a reservation, contact the Office of Special Events at 717-871-2308 or www.millersville.edu/~muevents/

Planned Giving

Did Millersville make a significant difference in your life?

In order to ensure that your wishes from a will, trust or bequest are carried out, please keep us informed of your planned gift. Rather than rely on the Register of Wills, Millersville’s Development Office is establishing a more formalized system of notification for planned giving.

To recognize those donors, the Landes Legacy Society has been created. If you plan to honor Millersville with a planned gift, please advise us by way of a letter or phone call.

Those who select to provide the University with a signed copy of the portion of the document that deals with a bequest to Millersville will be invited to join a new group for donors within the Landes Legacy Society—the Biemesderfer Circle. Contact Lee Eastwood at 717-872-3820 or 877-872-3820.
Lancaster County Alumni Branch winter events

January 11: Lancaster County Alumni Social, Brickyard Restaurant & Sports Bar, Lancaster, 5-7 p.m.: (co-owned by a Millersville alumnus) join us for a happy few hours—meet old friends or make some new ones, MU door prizes. Admission price: $10, cash bar. Advanced reservations required.

February 25: Snow Magic, Lancaster, 1-4 p.m.; Experience fun for the whole family at the Snow Magic Fun Park at Clipper Stadium (home of the Lancaster Barnstormers). Prices vary; watch the mail for an event flyer or contact the Alumni Services office for details.

March 25: Lancaster County Alumni Branch Dessert Social, MU campus, 6-8 p.m.; Join us for an early evening of coffees and desserts before the All-Campus Musical Organizations performance of Fame. Admission price: $15 includes reception and reserved seating for Fame in Alumni Hall.

Other planned activities include MU Night at the Lancaster Barnstormers on August 12, 2006, and MU Night at Mt. Hope Winery: “Edgar Allan Poe Night” (fall 2006).

Visit the alumni website at www.villealumni.edu and register online for reservations or check out the calendar of events.

Travel abroad with the State System

Reservations are still open for three summer travel programs sponsored by the Pennsylvania State System Alumni and Friends Travel Program for 2006. Contact Cruisin’ Inc. at 800-506-7447 for more details.

• Greek Isles Cruise: July 2-15: Sail the Med, porting at Venice, Naples and Rome, Italy; Dubrovnik, Croatia; Corfu, Katakolin, Athens (Poraeus), Mykonos, Rhodes, Santorini, Greece and Kusadasi, Turkey aboard a Princess Cruise ship. Prices start at $3,416.

• Canada Family Cruise: July 24-29: Sail from New York City, for five nights aboard a Carnival ship that ports for two days in St. John, New Brunswick and Halifax, Nova Scotia and two days at sea. Prices start at $751.

• Irish Heritage Land Tour: August 11-19: First class hotels (Bunratty, Killarney, Waterford, Dublin, Galway), sightseeing by luxury coach, a ferry ride; horse-drawn car ride; distillery tasting tour; Blarney Castle, Cliffs of Moher, Muchross House, Cobb Heritage Centre, Waterford Crystal Factory, Book of Kells and more. 13 meals, 9 days, 7 nights. Prices start at $2,494.

For more information about the Destinations travel program, call 717-871-2308 or email specialevents@millersville.edu
Alumni Association awards and board member nominations sought

The Millersville University Alumni Association is seeking nominations for new association board members and for their 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 17, 2006 (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 Alumni Board of Directors will vote on nominations at the April 2006 meeting.

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 or accomplishments had on the Alumni Association, society, and/or the University. Additional materials to substantiate the value of service are welcome and a photograph is also encouraged.

The Honorary Alumnus/a 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 it. Nominations should include detailed information concerning the individual’s service, and be submitted to the alumni office for consideration. There is no application form; please send detailed letters of recommendation for each nomination.

Recipients of both awards will be honored at the University Honors and Awards Convocation and the All-Alumni Luncheon held on May 7, 2006, during Alumni Weekend. Submit nominations to: Alumni Services Office, Millersville University, P.O. Box 1002, Millersville, PA 17551-0302. For additional details, please call 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.

Benefits as a Millersville alumni

Are you taking advantage of the many benefits offered by the MU Alumni Association?

Membership in the alumni association is free to alumni. Save money on your homeowners insurance, find a job and save when you buy your next car.

Some affinity partners offer renewal to the alumni association which directly support alumni programming and the University. Current benefits and services include:

• Exclusive alumni online Community (password protected). Via the website: online event registration, class notes with photos, alumni directory, e-postcards, etc.
• Auto, homeowners and renters insurance with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
• Online services including making a gift to your alma mater
• VISA credit card with US Bank (see below)
• Short-term medical health insurance with GradMed
• Long-term care with Personal Health Services
• Consolidation loans with Collegiate Funding Services
• MU license plate (Pennsylvania residents only)
• Alumni Legacy Scholarship
• Millersville Review, the University magazine
• Millersville Mentoring Alliance Program (a University initiative)
• Career services (including College Central Network)
• Auto discounts from Lancaster’s Chapman Ford

Benefits and services under consideration include reduced mortgage rates/services, wholesale club memberships, discounts to the University Store and MU athletic events, online services (i.e., permanent email), Internet access discounts, reduced telephone and long-distance services, car rental and hotel discounts.

Are you carrying the right card?

Great rewards, no annual fee. If your card doesn’t have the U.S. Bank logo on the back, it does not support the MU Alumni Association. Only Millersville University Rewards VISA card from U.S. Bank supports student scholarships and other valuable programs of the Millersville Alumni Association. Last year the association changed credit card companies to provide members with the best value. For more information, call 800-853-5576 x 8524 or visit www.villealumni.com
The Alumni Memorial Organ, located in Lyte Auditorium in Alumni Hall, will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a special, free concert on March 19, 2006, at 2:30 p.m.

The organ was a special gift made possible from donations by hundreds of alumni and friends as a result of a fundraising program orchestrated by the MU Alumni Association in the mid-1950s. It’s purchase price was $31,606. At that time, it represented the largest gift ever given to Millersville. It is, as the saying goes, priceless. Today, a similar organ from a top company would cost about $800,000.

Produced by the Reuter Organ Company of Lawrence, Kansas, the organ was an important instrument in the output of the company. It was built at a pivotal time in the firm’s transition in tonal styles and is thus an important historical item in the American organ history scene. The organ is comprised of: great: 61 pipes per rank; choir; swell: 58 pipes per rank and pedal.

Although it has a new console, the rest of the organ is as it was delivered and finished 50 years ago. On the console is a brass plate, designed and made by the late Robert Hostetter, alumnus and former faculty member, indicating it as an alumni gift. Several notable organ performances have occurred since its arrival and it remains among the very finest pipe organs in any institution of higher education owned by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Millersville professor emeritus Karl E. Moyer will take to the organ on Sunday, March 19, 2006, for an afternoon recital featuring classical music selections including “Berceuse” by the late Lucretia Boyd Hartzell, former Millersville art and music teacher. Hartzell and her husband later established an on-going prize for piano performance at Millersville. Moyer recorded the same work in 1981 on an LP record for the alumni association at the time of the organ’s 25th anniversary.

The concert will also mark the world premiere of “Fanfare and Variations on ‘Take Me Out to the Ballgame’” composed by Dr. Steven Katzenmoyer ’94, music educator with the Fleetwood Area School District. Written at Moyer’s request, one of the movements has the curious title “Mendelssohn Meets the Barnstormers,” i.e., the new baseball team in Lancaster. Organ works by Bach, Beethoven, Mulet along with the “Finale from Organ Symphony No. 1” by Vierne will be played.

Two Millersville faculty members will join Moyer in short individual works: Peter Brye, cello, in “Prière” for cello and organ by Camille Saint-Saëns and Dr. Ross Ellison, in “Toot Suite,” a spoof by P.D.Q. Bach for two performers at one organ console.

Moyer has achieved a national reputation through his organ performances both on and off campus as a solo recitalist, concerto performer and through his recording of the Alumni Memorial Organ in Lyte Auditorium, “The Organ and Bells of Millersville.” He has also recorded a compact disk playing two mid-nineteenth-century Hook pipe organs.

50th Anniversary Concert for Alumni Memorial Organ

Sunday, March 19, 2006 at 2:30 pm.
Lyte Auditorium in Alumni Hall

Feature performance by Dr. Karl Moyer, professor emeritus of Millersville University. Individual works will be presented by Peter Brye and Dr. Ross Ellison of Millersville’s music faculty.

Free and open to the public. A reception will follow the concert. For more information, please call Alumni Services at 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.

Dr. Karl Moyer
Parents of alumni, please note: Please help us send the Review directly to your son or daughter. If they have moved and you have been accepting the Review for them, please send us the mailing label, along with the new address, and we will change their mailing address. Or send us an email at mualumni@millersville.edu with all pertinent information.

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Spring into MU!
ALUMNI WEEKEND: MAY 5-6, 2006

Scheduled Events Include:

- Ad Astra Reception (Alumni who have graduated 50 or more years ago from MU)
- University Honors and Awards Convocation
- Alumni Memorial Service
- Millersville Memories Presentation
- Campus Bus Tours

- All-Alumni Luncheon & Awards Recognition
- Class Meetings: 1940, 1941, 1946 (afternoon tea)
- Class Reunions: 1951 and 1961 (evening dinners)
- Jazz and Java (entertainment provided by MU Jazz and Alumni Bands)