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Fanani Jewelry Studio dedication

The sound of hammering from the jewelry studio on the second floor of Breidenstine Hall is a joyful sound of artists at work. A hub of activity and creativity, the studio was dedicated to Dr. Dominick Fanani in January 2008.

Fanani, an art professor at Millersville from 1961-1982, had an enormous influence on the study of jewelry and the curriculum.

“His contributions will be felt for many generations of students,” says Jeri Robinson, chair of the art department.

Several of Fanani’s family members attended the dedication. The women proudly wore the beautiful silver jewelry made by their Uncle Dom.

Fanani, who is 90 plus years young, continues to pursue his many interests including history, philosophy, word games and design.

Lee Eastwood, Millersville’s director of planned giving, has known Fanani for many years. About his friend, Eastwood says, “Being with Dom is like living with the future. He is the most contemporary man I know.”

“Creativity is something you can’t teach, but you can encourage it,” says Fanani.

The retired educator credits teachers and professors as a strong influence on his life. He says, “I had many fine teachers who were committed to my well-being.”

He counts himself to be very fortunate to have had the encouragement to be an artist. His life took many turns but he kept returning to art.

Fanani and his late wife Fran have been generous benefactors to the University, establishing an award and four scholarships for students in the humanities. He credits his beloved wife with the idea of setting up scholarships. It has been, Fanani says with a smile, “a wonderful investment.”

Dr. Dominick Fanani’s family attended the dedication of the jewelry studio. Left to right, seated: Liz Szymanski (niece), Dr. Fanani, Natalie Becker (niece), Carole Grisin (niece), Don Whalen (husband of Liz), Liz Whalen (great niece) and Joseph Grisin (nephew).
Letters to the Editor

Crystal Quartet

The Crystal Quartet story in the winter 2007-08 issue sparked memories from former classmates.

Two of the crooners were identified from the Snapper photo (shown at the right). From the far right:

Charles “Chuck” Emery ’52 – retired teacher from Waynesboro School District and, next is a tall singer, William “Shorty” Wenker ’52 – retired pastor of Asbury United Methodist Church.

Both were in my class at MU and in Dr. Porter’s “Iolanthe” and “Chimes of Normandy” operas with me.

- Dr. Donald A. Vannan ’52
Bloomsburg, Pa.

Since my wife Fran brought in the mail, she sat down and read [the Review magazine] first. Then it was my turn to go cover to cover, as usual. Many times there are items that take us back to fine memories. This time it was an article about that group of characters that developed into the “Crystal Quartet.” It was most enjoyable to hear them harmonize.

After spending my freshman year off campus, I moved into the famous 4th floor of the men’s dorm. Some great wild times were had there. Then I married Fran in 1940 and we moved into the married couples dorm, which was converted classrooms over the Chapel. Once again I must say, crazy times were had there. I believe we could write a book about experiences in both of those dorms.

My wife managed the Book Store and really got to know more students on campus than I did. There were still many WWII veterans, including myself, and these vets frequently broke the College Rules and Regulations. Enough said there, and that is another area where a book could be written, especially concerning those years after the war.

- John E. Legg ’52
Wayne, Pa.

“Think Like An Entrepreneur.”

Dr. Randal D. Pinkett, winner of the fourth season of NBC’s “The Apprentice,” was on March 25 to give a presentation.

“I want to open our students’ eyes to a new kind of filmmaking,” said Scott Conard, Millersville art professor and campus coordinator of the festival. They show more of an artistic side of filmmaking and less of the Hollywood side of filmmaking. I’m hoping the festival may even spur an animation class on campus.”

Black Maria Film Festival

The Black Maria Film and Video Festival, an international juried competition and award tour, came to Millersville on March 27. The program included over 90-minutes of films plus discussion with a festival representative.

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Scott Conard, assistant professor of art and coordinator of the festival.

“Think Like An Entrepreneur.”

A Rhodes Scholar and former college athlete, he holds five academic degrees from Rutgers, Oxford and MIT (a master’s and doctorate).

According to his new book, Campus CEO: The Student Entrepreneur’s Guide to Launching a Multimillion Dollar Business, takes would-be entrepreneurs through all the necessary steps to launch a profitable, campus-based business, while simultaneously achieving academic success.
The Student Memorial Center (SMC) is where much of the action happens at Millersville University, and plans are to keep it that way. Located across from Gordinier Hall, on South George Street, the SMC is in the process of a $20-milion renovation project that will be completed by the start of the 2009-10 school year.

The SMC renovation and expansion project will be done in several phases. The first phase involves converting two of four racquetball courts into a 2,000-square-foot cardiovascular fitness center. The original fitness center will become an area for aerobics, yoga and Pilates exercise classes.

“We went into this with an open mind seeking to identify what the specific student needs were going to be,” said Bob Slabinski, CEO of Student Services Inc., and Student Lodging Inc., non-profit corporations that provide services for Millersville University.

The next phase will add 8,000 square feet to the fitness center and will create an open recreation area with more fitness equipment, plus a 4,000-square-foot balcony. A full-size gym will be attached to the fitness center. An expanded computer lab, a food court and more room for the Student Affairs offices and student clubs and organizations will also be part of the renovations.

When the project is complete, the SMC will have a clock tower, three levels with an atrium in the center and an escalator leading up to the second-floor food court. The front and back of the building will be glass.

“I think most students I’ve talked to are happy that we are being proactive,” said former student senate president Andrew Moyer. A $10 million Student Sports Education Center will be built along Frederick Street, near the SMC. It will include an indoor track and four multi-purpose courts for basketball, tennis, volleyball and badminton. Construction of the Student Sports Education Center is slated to begin in the 2009-10 school year.

Plans are for both projects to be completed by 2011.

“These are the kinds of facilities that promote quality of life and social interaction,” said Slabinski. “They will provide a focal point on campus where students will have the opportunity to interact socially and pursue activities important to a healthy lifestyle.”

The students voted to “tax” themselves through a special fee in order to fund the renovations.

An artist’s rendering shows the expanded fitness center.
Ask the Archives

Ganser Library’s Special Collections offers a treasure trove of fascinating information and artifacts.

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Q: Who was Millersville’s first African-American graduate?
A: Emanuel Epps, who graduated from Millersville Normal School in 1897, was the son of Benjamin and Mary Epps of Millersville. Benjamin Epps operated his own coal business in Millersville. The Epps sent three of their children, Emanuel, Lydia, and Mabel, to the Model School. Emanuel graduated at the age of 18 and became a bookkeeper at the Five Points Silk Mill in Columbia. His senior thesis at Millersville was titled: “Manual Training in the Public Schools.”

The Lancaster Inquirer reported the sad news of his death in 1899 with this headline: “Suicide of a Young Man: Emanuel W. Epps, a Prominent Young Colored Man, Ends His Life.” The article reports that his suicide was apparently the result of unrequited love.

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Millersville Borough plans celebration for 250 year anniversary

Millersville Borough is turning 250 in 2011. The executive committee will be led by co-chairs Mary Ann Gerber ’67 and Steven DiGuiseppe ’82.

Over the past year, volunteers have been recruited to start the preliminary plans to coordinate events and projects to celebrate the sesquicentennial (250th birthday) of Millersville Borough. The committee consists of volunteers who either live, work or volunteer in the Millersville community.

The historical committee is in full swing collecting memorabilia items, photographs, stories, etc. To donate film footage, photographs or other items of historical significance, please send to the committee, c/o Millersville Area Historical Society, P.O. Box 174, Millersville, PA 17551.

A website will be developed later this year, as well as a preliminary schedule of events that will occur during the entire calendar year starting on December 31, 2010.

Trolleys provided transportation between Millersville and other areas of Lancaster County. Pictured here are trolley cars at South George and West Frederick Streets, circa 1908.

Millersville videos “on demand”

If you have the Comcast On-Demand Cable feature, you’ll want to check out five short videos, each focusing on different aspects of college life at Millersville. The videos can be seen in the Harrisburg, Lancaster, Lebanon, York and Berks regions, and are part of the university’s undergraduate student recruitment effort. If you don’t have On-Demand access, the videos are posted on the Millersville University website in the “Future Students” section and identified as the “Virtual Experience.”

To access the Video On-Demand feature from your home, hit 888 on your digital remote, go to Careers and Education, then choose Millersville University.
Professor Centola dies

Dr. Steven Centola, professor of English at Millersville, passed away on January 9, 2008, at the age of 55. He joined the faculty in 1985. Centola dedicated his life to the educational experience and the lives of students. He will be remembered as a lover of American literature, an Arthur Miller enthusiast, a critical thinker and a passionate and challenging professor.

Nationally, Centola was recognized as one of the foremost experts on Arthur Miller, with whom he collaborated on two books. He also founded the Arthur Miller Society, an international organization.

In 1990, Centola created the first Academic Theme at Millersville University, which focused on the works of Arthur Miller. He brought the distinguished author to campus.

Two American Cancer Society Relay for Life teams have been formed in honor of Centola. The team names, “The Art of the Possible I & II,” are taken from an article Centola wrote about Arthur Miller. Donations in honor of Centola can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Senator Hillary Clinton campaigns at Millersville

Senator Hillary Clinton made a campaign stop at Millersville University’s campus on March 18, when she presented “Solutions for America.”

Hundreds of people from the University community and general public queued outside Pucillo Gymnasium to hear the Presidential hopeful’s speech. The doors were slated to open at 5 p.m., and some arrived hours earlier to secure a seat in the gymnasium. An estimated 2,200 people attended the event, with hundreds more watching via a live telecast on campus.

Clinton made a point to touch on several key issues in her campaign, including her views on the direction of the economy, foreign oil and renewable resources, federal student loans, No Child Left Behind, health care and the war in Iraq.

Kelsey Shady, a senior psychology student, waited in line for two hours to see the senator. She decided to attend the event because she wanted to begin gathering information on the presidential candidates.

“I was interested in hearing Senator Clinton’s policies and how she plans to implement them,” said Shady who left the rally inspired to do more research on the election. “I really enjoyed the whole experience, it was interesting and enlightening. I’m still not sure whom I will vote for, but I want to hear more. I would like to see other candidates, especially Senators Barack Obama and John McCain, to gain a full spectrum of possibilities for November.”

Governor Ed Rendell introduced Senator Clinton at her campaign rally.
From the time he was young, Clark always looked up to the skies, noting that, “I’ve been interested in the physical sciences since the fifth grade, with a special draw to astronomy.”

He had a telescope in his backyard near McKeesport, Pa., just outside Pittsburgh, and spent many hours observing stars and planets through the distant glow of blast furnaces from the nearby steel mills. Neighbors would stop by, like Mr. McGinnis with his three-legged dog, to check out the moon or catch a glimpse of Telstar. Even on the coldest January nights, his mother would bundle up to come outside and marvel at Saturn’s rings.

Clark received B.S. degrees in chemistry and math. However, it was during a two-year stint in the army where he tracked weather balloons at White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico that he developed an interest in atmospheric science. He pursued an M.S. in astronomy at Penn State in the mid-1970s, but with the end of the NASA Apollo program, “it wasn’t the best time for new students of astronomy,” Clark recalls.

He took a position as a chemist with Woolrich Woolen Mills. After seven years, he got the itch, quite literally, to leave the woolen business and move to Laramie, Wyoming, where he earned his M.S. and Ph.D. in atmospheric sciences at the University of Wyoming. From that time on, it was as if lightning struck.

“Weather cannot be controlled to any great extent, but it is predictable, and that fascinates me,” says Clark.

It is this fascination that Clark hopes to convey to his students.

“I try to instill in my students appreciation for the possibilities,” says Clark.

“The best educators that I know are the ones who are engaged in research and bring the excitement and passion of their research into the classroom. I believe the two are inseparable.”

Clark is married to Dr. Sepideh Yalda, who is also a meteorology professor at Millersville. The couple has a 2-year-old son, Suren. Clark has two grown daughters, Carissa ’04, of Oregon, and Linde ’04, of Massachusetts.

Even his favorite hobbies relate to the weather and astronomy. Whenever he gets the chance, he loves to take to the skies in a hot air balloon, or get out the telescope to gaze at the stars—weather permitting, of course!
That was back in 1942, when the two young women attended what was then called Millersville State Teachers College. Their 66-year friendship has taken them from English and social studies classes at Millersville to graduation in January 1945.

They even stuck together through military service as women in the U.S. Marines, attended each other’s weddings, became mothers and grew older as dear friends. “Lorna is like a sister to me,” says Ozetta (Groff) Hirschmann of Lancaster. “We were both only children.”

Hirschmann says that the bond that really kept them together so well through the years was laughter. Lorna (Eshleman) King showed her sparkling wit on that first day of class when a teacher said that...
he “suspected” she was not paying attention to what he said.

“Lorna said, ‘your suspicions are correct.’ I knew then that we would be friends forever,” says Hirschmann, adding that her friend’s invented word still makes her chuckle.

During their college years, World War II raged on the European and Pacific fronts. While men were fighting overseas, women were needed to serve on the home front. Lorna felt strongly that the two should join the military to help their country during wartime with the men away. However, it was Ozetta who suggested that they join the U.S. Marines.

She was in Philadelphia one day and was struck by the sight of a woman Marine dressed in her summer uniform. The all-white, short-sleeved twill uniform had gilt buttons on the jacket and cap, dress emblems, a crisp gored skirt and white pumps. Another uniform with a green cap trimmed in red was worn with perfectly matched Helena Rubenstein lipstick and nail polish in Montezuma red.

“The Marines had style,” smiles King.

The two friends enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Women’s Reserve, which celebrates its 65th anniversary this year.

King has a B.S. in English and social studies, with art classes as well, while Hirschmann has a B.S. degree in English and Latin. They trained at Camp Lejeune in North Carolina.

Testing well for auto mechanics, King was sent to Washington, D.C., where she served as a driver and guard. Many of the guard shifts required that King be on duty two hours, then off for two, alternating over the 24 hours. To pass the time, the young Marine sewed her white satin wedding dress.

“Dick hadn’t proposed to me yet,” says King. “But I was counting on it, or else I was going to wear my wedding dress with someone!”

In the meantime, Hirschmann was sent to California. She had demonstrated an aptitude in carpentry and was put to work building partitions and doing repairs.

In 1946 with the war over, the women were honorably discharged. King met her husband through a student she taught while she was student teaching at Millersville. Miss Eshleman offered extra credit to anyone who wrote to a service-man. One of the girls suggested that the teacher write to her brother, Richard King, who was serving with the U.S. Air Force in China. She did, and romance bloomed. When she introduced her beau to Ozetta, her friend was impressed, telling her, “If you don’t take him, I will!”

Lorna, wearing her white satin gown, married Dick King in August 1946. They had four children and their daughter, Marbeth, graduated from Millersville in 1972.

Ozetta met her future husband, the 6-foot-4 Arthur Hirschmann at the USO Club in Lancaster. He was serving in the U.S. Navy. There was some competition from two other young women, the Sherman twins, but Ozetta won his heart.

“I went in for a cup of coffee and came out with a wife,” jokes Hirschmann.

Ozetta and Arthur Hirschmann, who married in November 1952, had two children. Their grandson, Luke Gammache, is a senior at Millersville.

The women reenlisted in the Marines reserves from 1947 to 1949, but were not called to duty. Through the years, Lorna worked as a teacher for a short time, was a correspondent for the Lancaster Newspapers for 20 years and decorated beautiful wedding cakes. Ozetta also taught for a while, then became an innkeeper for her own Tourist Haven Bed and Breakfast.

Now that Lorna is 84 and Ozetta is 85, their bonds of friendship are stronger than ever. They visit and talk on the phone often, always enjoying light-hearted laughter, despite some health problems.

What has kept them together all these years?

“Lucky you,” says Ozetta to Lorna with a smile. Her response, “No, lucky YOU!”
The culmination of a visionary idea took place when the new Lancaster Science Factory opened at the former Kerr Glass building on New Holland Avenue in January 2008.

Filled with dozens of hands-on, interactive exhibits, workstations and mini-labs, the new science factory encourages experimentation in the physical sciences, engineering, technology and mathematics.

“The emphasis is on doing and asking lots of questions,” says Jim Bunting, a retired advertising executive, who conceived the idea for the science factory several years ago.

The exhibits include a variety of subjects, such as light and vision, electricity and magnetism, Newton’s Laws, mechanics and motion, structural engineering, water and fluid dynamics, air power and convection, alternative energy sources and plenty of brainteasers.

“It’s a community effort,” adds Bunting, and few have participated to the extent that Millersville University has. In fact, Millersville has three exhibits at the new science factory, developed and installed by Millersville professors Dr. John Dooley of the Physics Department, and Dr. Len S. Litowitz and Dr. Sharon A. Brusic of the Industry and Technology Department, and their students.

“Just about every day, Dr. Litowitz and his students were here at the science factory, working on exhibits. I haven’t seen that kind of commitment from any other college. It is very impressive,” says Bunting.

The Millersville exhibits were designed for students in upper elementary to middle school grades, and include a pulley exhibit, a race car exhibit and a Foucault Pendulum exhibit.

As Dooley explains, the Foucault Pendulum exhibit was done with physics major Drew Pulsife, physics technician Shawn Reinfried, Meron Wollie ’99 and Christopher Kunkel ’04. There is a webcam view of the pendulum at http://sfwebcam1.dyndns.org/, which shows...
how the pendulum works.

At the science factory, the pendulum hangs from a beam in the ceiling, swinging through the open foyer, 30 feet above the floor. The children mark the glass where the pendulum swing was pointing when they arrived, then they can check back to see the obvious difference in direction, thus proving that the world indeed is rotating.

“I believe that the Lancaster Science Factory fills a niche in the presentation of science to Lancasterians, meeting the needs of students who are in between the Hands-On House for young children and the North Museum for older high school students,” says Dooley. “The science factory combines the tactile experience with explanations of how the exhibits work and suggestions for further thought.”

Dooley also reports that anything that publicly links Millersville University and science is a good thing for both the University and the community.

“Volunteering at the Lancaster Science Factory by students will improve their teaching skills and their understanding of science,” says Dooley.

Dr. Litowitz agrees. He was one of the first to respond when the appeal came from the planned science factory more than a year and a half ago. The museum was seeking scientists, engineers, technologists and educators to help design and fabricate exhibits at the proposed museum. That was what would make the Lancaster Science Factory a reality.

“There was a list of suggested topics and concepts, and I knew it was an ideal service project for the Technology Education Collegiate Association,” says Litowitz, who also serves as the advisor to the student members of TECA.

As he points out, the students who assisted in the project are likely to become technology teachers. The experience of designing and constructing exhibits for the science factory is valuable to them and to the community. They chose to do two exhibits, using materials provided by the science factory and some “out-of-pocket” contributions. According to Bunting and advisory board member Yale Eastman, their commitment was “phenomenal.”

The two exhibits were developed specifically for the appropriate age group of students ranging in age from mid-to-late elementary school to middle school. One was an exhibit featuring a series of pulleys and the other was a mini race car exhibit. With lots of color, lots of excitement and lots of speed, they designed

Dr. Dooley demonstrates the pendulum that he and Millersville students and alumni built.

The Foucault pendulum offers scientific proof that the earth rotates. It is pumped the same way that you pump a swing. Pull up as you go through the low spots, and drop down at the high spots. If it is undisturbed, feeling only vertical forces from gravity and the support, then it tends to swing always in the same direction. Because the earth rotates, the pendulum changes its swing direction as the day goes by.
exhibits that would be educational, inspiring and tough.

“I can say that the exhibits have proven their durability after several weeks of challenging hands-on use. That may not seem that important, but it is. These exhibits were designed to work hard,” says Litowitz.

Litowitz and the more than a dozen TECA students also worked with Dr. Sharon Brusic of the Department of Industry and Technology in designing and building the pulley and mini racers exhibits.

“The pulleys exhibit focuses upon mechanical advantage and helps students to personally try out the different arrangements to see first-hand how much effort it takes to lift a load, based on the way the pulleys are arranged,” says Brusic.

The race car exhibit was developed to be engaging and highly interactive for students as they learned about potential and kinetic energy. They are able to experiment with K'NEX parts to see how certain design features might rev up the vehicle and make it go even faster.

“For example, how could gears be used to make the vehicle go faster…or slower…or move across a rugged terrain better?” says Brusic.

Since opening, thousands of children have made their way through the hands-on museum as they learn about science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). As both Litowitz and Brusic explain, the TECA students and Millersville’s Department of Industry and Technology are excited that the Lancaster Science Factory is getting rave reviews.

“I am thrilled to have this amazing resource in our own backyard and I think many young people will find the place to be stimulating and fun,” says Brusic. “I think it’s important for Millersville to be involved as one of the key higher education institutions in the area, and one that produces a very large

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-Dr. Sharon Brusic
number of future teachers, especially in the area of technology education."

Since the Lancaster Science Factory opened in January, Litowitz has spent a lot of time at the museum. Litowitz has been busy with installation and making sure the exhibits are working well and doing what they were meant to do. He also volunteers as a docent whenever his schedule permits. His wife, Evanna Morris, who served as the coordinator of Millersville’s Technology Camp for many years, is the volunteer coordinator at the science factory.

Litowitz reports that his students are pleased to be an integral part of the new museum. It teaches the children while teaching the young educators a little more about how to teach in an effective and stimulating way.

“The Lancaster Science Factory provides a new venue for allowing pre-service teachers to work with young people and to try out new ideas for engaging them in learning about their natural world,” adds Brusic.

For Bunting, it is a visionary concept that has been made into a bold, bright reality. The 11,000 sq. ft. main exhibit hall is located in a former factory that once made glass bottles and closures. Located at the new Urban Place at the intersection of Plum Street and New Holland Avenue, the science factory exhibits are arranged in ten clusters that include Structural Engineering, Air Power, Conductors and Insulators, Electricity, Light and Vision, Newton’s Laws and Fluid Dynamics.

Bunting isn’t quite sure what made him so focused on the idea of a science factory. What he does know is that it was something he simply had to do. He was driven.

“The science factory aims to fire youthful imaginations,” says Bunting, adding that throughout his life and career he has seen how touching, seeing and using all the senses inspires learning.

He has a good reason for calling it a factory, too.

“We could have called it a museum or a science center, but we wanted to call it a factory,” says Bunting.

A factory, after all, is an “institution that produces a great quantity of something.” And the Lancaster Science Factory certainly does that.

“I am so impressed by the way the Millersville students have taken on this project as their own,” says Bunting. “I appreciate all the time, planning and hard work of everyone who has been involved in transforming a glass factory into a science factory.”

"The Science Factory aims to fire youthful imaginations."

-Jim Bunting
**Jazz ‘n Java**

Back by popular demand, Jazz ‘n Java will be held on Saturday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Memorial Center, Reighard Multipurpose Room.

Under the direction of Dr. Keith Wiley, the Alumni Jazz Band and the Student Jazz Ensemble will perform for an evening that will leave you in awe of our talented students and alumni. Dr. Wiley is director of Jazz Bands, Concert Band conductor, and trumpet instructor at Millersville University, where he has been a member of the music faculty since 1984. He and his students have been wowing audiences annually at Jazz ‘n Java.

In a “jazz club” atmosphere, join the alumni association for an evening of music and dessert fanfare. Tickets are $5 per person including desserts. Register online at www.villealumni.com, or by calling the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855.

**Hockey mania**

Over 150 alumni and friends came together for these two evenings of fast-paced hockey action.

The Reading Royals battled the Johnstown Chiefs on Saturday, January 12 in Reading. A couple months later on Saturday, March 15, hockey fans came to the Giant Center in Hershey to see the Hershey Bears take on the Manitoba Moose. Both events offered pre-game receptions providing an opportunity to catch up with fellow alumni and make new friends.

Special thanks to our alumni volunteers who helped with the hospitality tables at both of these events.

**Fall Fling at the ‘Ville**

Fall Fling is fun for the entire family. This year, the festival will be held on Saturday, November 1, during Homecoming weekend. There will be crafts, food, games and a play area for the kids.

Interested in being a vendor? Contact the Alumni Services office at 717-872-3352.

More than 120 PASSHE people were aboard the January 2008 cruise.
Kudos Korner

Many thanks go to those volunteers who made the Reading Royals and Hershey Bears hockey games, GradFest, Senior Send Off and Admitted College Student Reception a success.

Scott Bailey ’98 and his two daughters Jocelyn & Abbey
Carol Beamesderfer ’65
Ryan Berardi ’05
Tracy Blimline ’98
Joe Boyle ’89, ’99M
Kyki Bobotas ’87
Lori Dierolf ’91
Don Geiter ’95
Mike Gruber
Camara Harrison ’07
Joyce Herr ’80
Amy Hoffman ’94
Melissa Turi, MU graduate student
David Hernandez ’71
Joseph Ianni ’05
Marion Lesagonicz ’00
Domenic Panza ’06
Merle Schnee ’59
Promise Seymour ’07

Admissions volunteer training

Did a visit to campus or a talk with an admissions representative influence your decision to attend Millersville? Would you like to be part of that positive influence?

Become an admissions volunteer today!

The MU Alumni Association Student Advancement and the Admissions Office initiative will be hosting a training day for alumni on Friday, July 11, 9-4:30 p.m. in the new Welcome Center in Lyle Hall.

Learn about upcoming college fairs, campus tours, and a host of other ways you can represent your alma mater to potential students.

Register for the training at www.villealumni.com or 800-681-1855 by July 8.

Meteorologists meet in New Orleans

More than 80 alumni from the New Orleans area and those attending the 88th American Meteorological Society annual meeting in New Orleans gathered at an alumni reception held in conjunction with the conference. This has become a great annual event for alumni around the country.

One highlight this year was the presentation of the 2008 American Meteorological Society Teaching Excellence Award to Dr. Richard Clark, chair of Millersville’s earth sciences department (see page 9). Congratulations on a well-deserved honor!

Clark received his award before some 4,500 attendees, which included department colleagues, Drs. Sepideh Yalda and Todd Sikora, and dozens of Millerville alumni who are now professional meteorologists. President Francine G. McNairy and Gerald Eckert, vice president for advancement, were also in attendance along with 30 senior meteorology students from the University.

Left to right: Christopher Warren ’06, Nicholas Reitz ’07 and Evan Lowery ’06 were among the many alumni in New Orleans.

“Exposure to the possibilities is one of the main reasons that for 20 years we’ve been taking the seniors to the American Meteorological Society (AMS) Annual Meeting as a capstone experience, where they are immersed in the full manifestation of our field,” Clark said.

“It’s a good time to be a meteorologist,” he added. “Our students leave Millersville as applied scientists, confident in their ability to solve real-world problems. Opportunities for meaningful career paths abound such as in operational forecasting, research and research support, data analyst, the broadcast industry and customer service, to name a few.”

Millersville’s students were named Student Chapter of the Year 2006-2007 at the American Meteorological Society’s annual meeting.
Calendar of Events

**APRIL**
- 26 Alumni Weekend at Millersville
- 26 Honors & Awards Convocation
- 26 Destinations Travel: Grease and Hairspray, New York City

**MAY**
- 3 Jazz & Java – 7:30 p.m., Reighard Multipurpose Room, Student Memorial Center
- 10 Commencement – 10 a.m., Biemesderfer Stadium
- 21 Lebanon/Berks County Branch Annual Alumni Dinner – 6 p.m., Viva Good Life Bistro & Lounge, Reading

**JUNE**
- 9 – 11 American Society of Safety Engineers Conference and Alumni Reception, Las Vegas

For the latest events, check out the Alumni Services home page [www.villealumni.com](http://www.villealumni.com)

**New York City trips**

Join the Destinations travel program for a day trip to New York City:
- **May 17** - Gourmet Shopping Trip with a step-on guide – $75
- **August 30** - U.S. Open Tournament
- **September 28** - *Jersey Boys* – $200
  - and *Young Frankenstein* – $200
- **October 25** - *Wicked* – $165

Prices are per person. The trips include coach bus transportation, driver gratuity and a boxed gourmet breakfast. Broadway shows feature orchestra or mezzanine seating. Details about each show can be found at [www.bestofbroadway.com](http://www.bestofbroadway.com).

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

**Student ambassadors**

In February, six student ambassadors attended the Association for Student Advance- ment Programs (ASAP) District 3 Conference held in Savannah.

The ASAP is an alliance of student organizations that provides resources and opportunities for networking and leadership development. It promotes student involvement in educational advancement and rewards excellence in student programming.

The three-day conference included team building and networking activities, student-hosted seminars, motivational speakers, a lip-sync competition, an awards banquet and many fun-filled activities.

**GradFest**

As part of our Alum from Day One program, the Student Advancement Committee of the Alumni Association, under the leadership of chair, Ryan Berardi ’05, sponsors two events each year: fall and spring GradFest and Senior Send Off parties. The first was on December 1 and the spring event was held on February 18.

With the help of co-sponsors Career Services and the University Store, these events help graduating seniors connect with graduate schools, order caps, gowns, class rings, graduation announcements, get help with resumes, gather test score results, as well as learn about the benefits and services of the Alumni Association.

It was an afternoon of celebration as students looked forward to their big days, commencement! We wish all of our new alumni well as they seize the opportunity to make their mark on the world.
Get event information by email

With postage rates continually going up, the cost of staying in touch with alumni increases every year. Help us to save money by sending alumni events through email.

If you aren’t currently hearing about alumni events via email, please send your email address to us at mualumni@millersville.edu today. Make sure to include your full name and class year in the email.

In the future, the alumni association will be launching a new monthly e-newsletter to keep you informed of campus news, alumni events in your area, and benefits and services of the alumni association.

Come travel with us

Reservations are still being accepted for three exciting travel opportunities sponsored by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Alumni and Friends Travel Program for 2008. Pricing is based on double occupancy.

›› Canada/New England Cruise: June 28 – July 5, 2008 (Holland America/ms Maasdam). Ports of call include: Montreal, Quebec City, Nova Scotia, Bar Harbor and Boston. Prices start at $1,348. There is also a pre-cruise optional package for two-nights in Montreal.

›› SOLD OUT - Hawaii Cruise: August 7-17, 2008 (NCL/Pride of America) Ports of call include: Honolulu, Hilo, Maui, Kona and Kauai. Prices start at $2,368.

›› Black Sea: Egypt & Holy Lands Cruise: September 29-October 11, 2008 (Holland America/ms Rotterdam). Ports of call include Istanbul, Turkey; Varna, Bulgaria; Odesa, Ukraine; Constanta, Romania; Haifa, Israel; Limassol, Cyprus; and Alexandria (Cairo), Egypt. Prices start at $3,442.

Tentative travel plans are underway for 2009 including a Southern Caribbean cruise in January to Barbados, St. Lucia, Antigua, Tortola and Samana (NCL/Jewel), and a cruise to the Baltic capitals (London, Copenhagen, Berlin, St. Petersburg, Helsinki, Stockholm) in the summer.

For additional details, please log onto www.alumnivacations.com and click on Millersville University from the drop down box or call Cruisin’ Inc./Main Line Vacations: 800-506-7447.

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Pensacola, Florida

On February 2, Dr. Richard Kuhn ’57 opened his beautiful home to alumni in the Panhandle region. He hosted the Mardi Gras style event which we learned also takes place all along the Gulf coast, not just in New Orleans. President McNairy shared an update about the University with alumni who haven’t been back to Millersville for a while. All enjoyed a sunny afternoon making new friends. Alumni enjoyed catching up with Glenn Stephenson, professor emeritus of geography.

Naples/Venice, Florida

Alumni from the Gulf Coast of the Sunshine State gathered for an afternoon filled with fond Millersville memories. The MUAA hosted a luncheon on February 16, 2008, at the Venice Yacht club in Venice, Florida. Special thanks to Merrill ’56 and Carol Anne Beyer and their son who made it possible for us to host the event there, and to professor emeritus George Stine who called many alumni to invite them to this event.

Gerald Eckert, vice president for advancement shared an update about the University with alumni.

Left to right: Elton Martin ’58, Ed Bearer ’58, George Stine and Anna Bearer. Thanks to Stan Wills ’58 for the picture.

Summer golf tournaments

Two local golf tournaments will be held this summer. The Old Timers tournament is scheduled for July 25 and the Lancaster-Lebanon Wrestling Officials Association is on August 17.

The Millersville Old Timers (athletes of the 1950s, ’60s and early ’70s) annual golf tournament and social will be held on Friday, July 25, at the Four Seasons Golf Resort in Lancaster.

Anyone interested in this event, and who is not on the Old Timers email or mailing list, contact Dick Hibshman ’67 at 1845 Pool Forge, Lancaster, PA 17601. Email is hwalnut237@msn.com.

The Lancaster-Lebanon Wrestling Officials Association’s 8th annual golf tournament will be held on Sunday, August 17, at Four Seasons Golf Resort. The format will be a four-man scramble and the cost is $90 per player (if paid by August 12, a discounted rate of $80 a player will apply).

To register, contact Dan Sidelnick, tournament director at 717-272-4883 or email him at dsidelnick@comcast.net. A portion of the profits will support Millersville’s “Shorty” Hitchcock Wrestling Scholarship.
For the first time since its inception in 1951, the PSAC has accepted new members. Gannon University and Mercyhurst College, both private colleges located near Erie, will join the conference as full-time members. The C.W. Post campus of Long Island University will join as a provisional member, competing in football and field hockey only.

Those schools will join the PSAC's current 14 members, all public universities within the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education. In addition to Millersville, the 13 other schools are: Bloomsburg, California, Cheyney, Clarion, East Stroudsburg, Edinboro, Indiana, Kutztown, Lock Haven, Mansfield, Shippensburg, Slippery Rock and West Chester.

Adding Gannon and Mercyhurst gives the PSAC 16 full-time members, the second largest number in NCAA Division II. Accepting new members will bring profound changes to the conference, from the way divisions will be aligned to the number of student athletes selected to PSAC all-star teams.

Lauren Packer, PSAC spokesperson, says that the changes have been met with both excitement and hesitation.

“For the most part, though, I think teams will jump on board and strengthen what is already one of the strongest conferences in the country,” Packer says.

The move should benefit sports such as men's tennis and men's golf, which were in jeopardy of losing their championship tournaments after some PSAC universities dropped those sports.

Peg Kauffman, Millersville's athletic director, said that particular change would benefit student athletes.

“I’m in favor of having more championship opportunities,” Kauffman says. “It creates a positive experience for student athletes.”

PSAC officials say the number of sports with divisional play will increase from six to nine, which will cut down on travel expenses and missed class time. But, subsequent to accepting the new members, the PSAC lifted its scholarship restrictions. For example, the conference had capped equivalencies at 70, but has since lifted its cap to increase that number to the NCAA limit of 125. In football, the number of equivalencies will increase to 36–up from 25–in 2008-09.

For football, each division will now have eight teams, clearing the way for the PSAC to bring back its conference championship football game.

In basketball, each division will have eight teams, as Shippensburg transfers to the Eastern Division and Gannon and Mercyhurst join the west. All schools play in-division games that each school plays per year will increase from 12 to 14. However, instead of playing each of the schools from the other division, teams will play just four “crossover” games each season, two less than in previous years.

What does this mean to Millersville?

• Millersville continues to compete in the PSAC East division.
• Shippensburg University athletic teams will now compete in PSAC East division. This includes Red Raider sports such as baseball, men’s basketball and women’s basketball, which previously competed in the PSAC West.
• Women’s lacrosse, men’s soccer and field hockey will now have East and West divisions.
• Softball will feature a rare instance of having three divisions with five teams each.
• For football, the PSAC Conference championship football game returns. Teams new to the Eastern Division are Shippensburg and C.W. Post campus of Long Island University. New to the Western Division are Gannon and Mercyhurst.

For more information including the conference schedule, visit www.psacsports.org.
Jarrett Hostetter qualified for the NCAA Division I wrestling tournament for a second consecutive year. He gained entry as a wildcard in 2007 but left nothing to chance this year as he won the 157-pound East Regional Tournament at Liberty University in Virginia.

He was nervous but excited at the same time. “I’ve never won a regional tournament before,” he said. At the NCAA tourney held in St. Louis, Hostetter lost two close matches, ending the season at 34-8. This brought his streak of winning 20 consecutive matches to a close. In individual meets during the season, he had a perfect record of 15-0. In February, he was named PSAC wrestler of the week.

Winning is nothing new to Hostetter, although he is refreshingly humble about his accomplishments on the mat.

At Oxford High School, he was a three-time PIAA qualifier and finished third in the PIAA tourney at 145 pounds during his senior year.

Millersville assistant wrestling coach Todd Roberts says the success couldn’t have happened to a better person. “Jarrett’s the kind of guy who, when we’re on the bus and tired after a long tournament on Saturday, is asking teammates if they want to go to church with him the next morning.”

Hostetter says his faith in God has helped him during tough times. “Sometimes you are down and it’s comforting to know there is more to life than sports,” says the business management major. “That’s not why we’re here.”

Hostetter is president of Millersville University’s Athletics Bible Fellowship, which has about 20 student members. They meet every Tuesday and sometimes go door-to-door in Lancaster to profess faith and encourage others to profess theirs.

“Sometimes you get the door shut in your face,” he says. “That’s where my business classes come in. You’ve got to be a salesman.”

A few Marauder wrestling teammates have followed Jarrett’s lead. A group of about five attend church together every Sunday.

“I believe it’s our job as Christians to reach out,” he says. “Who better to reach out to than my teammates?”

Hostetter has also led the Marauders on the mat this season. He is the only MU wrestler to qualify for nationals, though Mike Greck, Jeremy Brooks and Steve Funk all came close by finishing second at the regional tourney.

Millersville, which finished 5-11-1 as a team this year, placed fourth out of six teams at the East Regional.
**Cross Country on the run**

**Women’s Cross Country Team**

The women’s cross country team was named to the 2007 NCAA Division II U.S. Track and Field Cross Country Coaches Association All-Academic Team (USTFCCCA) for the second year in a row. To be eligible for the honor, teams must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.

“As a group we have a lot of strong performers for the women who excel in the classroom and in their running exploits,” said Andy Young, head coach for track and field/cross country. “The women on our team are very goal oriented with good work ethics. The fact that they are very motivated to excel is really a key component to their success.

“I think to some degree [this honor] validates the efforts that our coaching staff put in not only their athletic training, but also their personal and academic development,” said Young. “I also like to see our athletes get a bit more recognition. Cross country is a sport that doesn’t garner a lot of headlines so it is nice to see our athletes get this type of recognition every once in a while. They certainly work very hard for it.”

**Boyer named All-American**

James Boyer, a Millersville sophomore from Mechanicsburg, was named to the USTFCCCA Men’s All-Academic Team for cross country. To qualify for the individual All-Academic honors, the student-athlete must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.25. The student-athletes must also finish in the top 30 percent of individual participants at their respective regional cross country championships.

“Jim is someone who works very hard for everything he gets,” said Young. “His work ethic and energy are outstanding qualities about him. The man just flat out works at everything he does and is very deserving of this recognition.”

A total of 127 male student-athletes representing 67 Division II institutions are on this year’s All-Academic team.

**Golfer named All-American Scholar**

Pete Steffy ’07, a four-year starter for the Millersville golf team, was honored with the All-American Scholar Award given by the Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA).

The honor, which Steffy won after his senior season, recognizes collegiate golfers for their accomplishments both on the golf course and in the classroom. To win, student athletes must have a 3.25 cumulative grade-point average and have a stroke average of 76 or under.

Steffy is the first Marauder golfer to win this award since the program joined the GCAA 11 years ago, says Millersville head golf coach Scott Vandegrift.

“Pete is a reflection of what this award is all about,” says Vandegrift. “He did whatever it took from the day he came here to the day he left.”

Steffy posted an impressive 3.85 GPA during his final semester. A business management major, Steffy hopes to land a job in human resources.
Basketball teams give fans plenty to cheer about

The Millersville men’s and women’s basketball teams turned in stellar campaigns in 2007-08 as both qualified for the NCAA Division II tournament. This year was the first time both teams qualified since the 2004-05 season.

The men’s team began with a strong 5-0 start highlighted by two comeback, overtime victories over Edinboro and Slippery Rock. Forward Reggie Bates, who finished second in the conference with 19.2 points per game and made the All-PSAC East First Team this season, set consecutive career-high marks of 34 and 36 points in those games.

The Marauders recorded a key 80-67 win over Kutztown on February 20 in front of a “blackout” crowd in Pucillo Gymnasium. Millersville finished third in the PSAC East and added another victory over Kutztown in the first round of the PSAC Tournament. Millersville fell to Edinboro in the semifinals, but avenged that defeat in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Millersville, which finished the season 22-10, added an 81-73 win over University of Pitt-Johnstown in the NCAA second round to advance to the East Regional final for the second consecutive season. The Marauders fell, however, to California and their season came to a close.

Senior guard Charlie Parker ended his distinguished career by earning PSAC East Athlete of the Year honors for a second straight season. He is now Millersville’s second all-time leading scorer and ranks second in career steals and fourth in career assists.

The women’s team, which finished the year 24-6, also started strong, winning eight of its first nine games. Coach Mary Fleig earned her 300th win as Marauder head coach in a season-opening victory over Alderson-Broaddus.

The women Marauders swept through conference play with a perfect 12-0 record, marking only the fourth time a PSAC team finished with a perfect record. The team achieved a 14-game winning streak, the third longest in school history, with a win over East Stroudsburg in the first round of the PSAC Tournament.

The Marauders led California (Pa.) in their second-round game but couldn’t hold the lead. Millersville grabbed a seventh seed for the NCAA Tournament and ended up losing a rematch with California (Pa.).

Gladine St. Julien was named to the PSAC East First team after leading the team with a 12.6 points per game average. She was named PSAC East Player of the Week three times.

Ashley Romanoski ranked second on the team with 11.4 points per game.

Carnival Day

Millersville hosted more than 200 children at its annual Carnival Day on February 2. The event featured fun games and activities during the men’s and women’s basketball games at Pucillo Gymnasium. The first 50 children received a free carnival day T-shirt.

The Lancaster Barnstormers mascot, Cylo, and NCAA mascot JJ Jumper, joined Skully to entertain the packed house.

The Marauders teams rocked the gym with wins over East Stroudsburg —women’s team won 72-64 and the men’s team followed with a thrilling 68-66 win over ESU.
**Class Notes**

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- **Fall 2008 issue:** June 15, 2008
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- **Spring 2009 issue:** January 10, 2009

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**1940s**

Kathryn M. (Lederer) Eager ’41, Lititz, recently celebrated her 65th wedding anniversary with her husband, George.

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**1950s**

Paul R. Windmuller ’50, Minneapolis, Minn., retired from Prudential after working as an agent, manager and pension training/marketing manager for 20 years. He is now a pension consultant to 93 law firms in Minnesota.

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Dian (Sherer) Beamesderfer ’53, Stouchsburg, celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary with her husband, Emmett, and their four children with a trip to Germany for Oktoberfest.

Emily J. (Morris) Thompson ’53, Dover, Del., is actively involved with the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Dames XVII Century, The Friends of the Delaware Archives and four genealogy societies.

June (Sprecher) Duncan ’54, Sinking Spring, celebrated 50 years of marriage with her husband, Lee.

John (Jack) Maginsky ’54, Southampton, N.Y., and wife, Laurel, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Patricia (Nolte) Kershner ’58, New Smyrna Beach, Fla., was voted Teacher of the Year 2007-2008 at Horizon Elementary, which was designated the best elementary school in Volusia County.

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**1960s**

William H. Smith ’60, Portland, Ore., assisted in the editing of a book written by N.A. Thomas and Denise Klinger (see next Class Note).

N. A. Thomas Klinger ’61, Wheat Ridge, Colo., and his wife, Denise, recently completed a book about a Colorado mountain railroad, C&S Platte Canon Memories and Then Some.

Richard J. Czyszczon ’62, Boothwyn, was inducted into the Chester High School Athletic Hall of Fame for baseball.

Lee P. Pisano ’62, Harrisburg, retired from AMP, Inc., in 1999 and has been teaching Spanish at St. Catherine Laboure School for the past five years.

Dennis McDonald ’67, Parker, Colo., retired airline pilot captain from Continental Airlines, has become a certified scuba diver, recently exploring the Caribbean with his wife.

Karen (Del Priore) Criscillo ’68, Mullica Hill, N.J., was named 2007 Teacher of the Year at Bells Elementary School, where she has been a librarian since 1987. She received her master’s degree in librarianship from Rowan University in 1993.

Margaret DeAngelis ’69, Harrisburg, recently completed a month-long stay at the Jentel Artist Foundation in Banner, Wyoming, where she worked on an advanced draft of a novel and a collection of personal essays.

Gregory Donahue ’69, Ocean City, N.J., retired from the Ocean City School District in 2005 after 37 years as a teacher, director of special services and principal. He continues to teach special education in New Jersey.

David Haines ’69, Hudson, N.Y., was the featured workshop presenter at the National Qigong Association conference in Minneapolis. Also, his work using Trager psychophysical integration was presented at “The Many Faces of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder” conference held in Lancaster.

Kent Rynier ’69, Leola, retired after 30 years of teaching in Pennsylvania. He has continued to teach internationally in Turkey and Pakistan and is currently at Narmer American College in Egypt.

Irvin Wanger ’69, Guatemala City, Guatemala, is a professor of theology and missions at the Central American Theological Seminary. He also serves as director of the Missions Center and faculty advisor for the student-run missions committee.

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**Eugene V. Moran ’51**

Retired educator Eugene V. Moran ’51, Laramie, Wyo., was honored as a distinguished former faculty of the College of Education, University of Wyoming, in October 2007.

The award program noted that “several generations of Wyoming’s class room teachers have been inspired by Gene’s mentoring and passion for English education.”

He began his teaching career in Prince George’s County, Maryland. While he pursued his master’s degree at George Washington University and then his doctorate at the University of Maryland, he continued to teach in public school at the elementary and secondary levels.

In 1965 after receiving his Ph.D., Moran was appointed assistant professor of education and assistant dean of the College of Education at The American University. In 1968, he joined the faculty at the University of Wyoming as an associate professor of English education and was promoted to full professor in 1974. He is the author of four books including *A People’s History of English and American Literature*. 
1970s

James Lombardo ’70, Lititz, published an article in the Lancaster County Historical Journal on the history of the Italian community in Lancaster from the 18th century to the present.

Daniel Biemesderfer ’71, Guilford, Conn., was promoted to associate professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, section of nephrology, at Yale University School of Medicine.

Lyman Brenner ’71, Wilmington, Del., serves as commander of the American Legion for the entire state of Delaware.

Susan Anne Miller ’71, Shillington, retired from teaching after 36 years with the Reading School District.

Dennis Redcay ’71, Reading, retired after 35 years as a driver education teacher at Conrad Weiser High School.

Gloria (Gerlitzki) Rodman ’71, Lancaster, retired after 36 years of teaching in the elementary schools of Warwick School District.

Gail (Weinmann) Harker ’73, Ephrata, retired after 25 years of teaching special education. Her last 14 years were with the Ephrata Area School District.

John Walters ’74, Orange Park, Fla., teaches biology at Fleming Island High School.

Jerri Anne (Helsel) Johnson ’76, Lancaster, was named director of medical science liaisons for Abbott Pain Care Global Research and Development. She has been with the company for 18 years.

Janice A. (Goodall) Johnston ’76, Clarks Summit, celebrated 25 years of marriage with husband, Cleroy, and their family with a trip to Hawaii.

Dorothea “Dotty” (Host) Maddock ’76, Phoenix, Ariz., earned credentials as a certified business manager and marked 28 years working at IBM. She also ran 14 marathons in 14 states in the past year, bringing her lifetime total to 29 races in 24 different states.

Jill (Benfer) McPherson ’76, Harrisburg, was recognized with the Keystone State Reading Association’s and the International Reading Association’s Celebrate Literacy Award. She works as a reading specialist for the Central Dauphin School District.

Julie (Kramer) Miller ’78, Hanover, was named director of logistics support for BAE Systems and is responsible for all support-ability engineering and logistics documentation for military ground vehicle systems.

Michael Tracy ’78, Holtwood, was promoted to senior pre-construction manager for Reynolds Construction Management.

Wendy S. Evans ’79, Leola, accepted a position teaching math and computer science at Conestoga Valley High School.

Timothy Kelly ’79, West Chester, started Kelly International, a printing company, in 1995. The company plans to open a second operation in Exton this spring.

Rebecca (Bowman) Noon ’79, Lititz, joined Warwick School District as a reading specialist.


Barry L. Davis ’81, Lancaster, is a senior consultant and founding member of LMA Systems with more than 20 years experience in career counseling, business consulting, outplacement and performance training.

Joseph Judge ’82, St. Petersburg, Fla., retired as a colonel from the U.S. Marine Corps after 25 years of service in the infantry, signals intelligence, special operations and command and staff positions.

Frank Kambic ’82, New Cumberland, was elected to the position of school director of the West Shore School District.

Thomas Tracy ’82, West Chester, started a new company with a product called the CigarWedge, a cigar holder for use on the golf course.

Raymond J. Antonelli ’83, Lancaster, was named senior development officer with Lancaster General Healthcare Foundation.

Margaret “Peg” (Gallen) Schaeffer ’83, Milford, was named 2007 Tri-State Principal of the Year for the Northeastern Pennsylvania, Northern New Jersey and Southwestern New York regions. She has been a principal in the Delaware Valley School District for the past eight years.

Julie (Platt) Bires ’84, Lititz, was promoted to assistant vice president at Sterling Financial Corp., where she has worked for 12 years.

Melissa Byers ’85, Woodland Hills, Calif., retired from teaching at Hempfield High School and moved to Los Angeles, California, where she is teaching at Ventura and Moorpark Colleges.

Richard Carns ’85, Carlisle, was promoted to Atlantic East regional technical manager for Carlisle SynTec Incorporated.

Joanne M. (Stecz) Milusas ’85, Stevens, was named sales administrative assistant with Integrated Business Consultants, Inc.

Elizabeth (Beckmeyer) Bryant ’86, Manheim, was named client services manager at Ephrata Community Hospital.

Kerry Kinard ’86, Bear, Del., serves as executive director of the Bay Ball Classic Invitational National High School Basketball Tournament. He is also a sports and corporate consultant for AMPRO, Inc., and regional college scout for the Charlotte Bobcats and the Milwaukee Bucks.

Phil Aubel ’87, York, earned a master’s degree in leadership and business ethics from Duquesne University. A lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army, he is chief, operational support teams.

Brian A. Rider ’87, Mechanicsburg, was confirmed by the State Senate as a member of the Millersville University Council of Trustees.

Gene Rohrbaugh ’87, Mechanicsburg, joined the faculty of Messiah College as an associate professor of computer science.

Angie M. (Dalton) Schatz ’87, Mount Joy, joined Manheim Central School District teaching English language learners at the

1980s

Cynthia (O’Connell) Rogers ’80, Upton, Mass., serves as advertising sales accounts manager for two newspapers and a quarterly magazine. She also writes a weekly column for a daily newspaper.
Mary Buckley-Hamm ’99

Following a brief stint at Penn State Berks, Mary Buckley-Hamm, Robesonia, decided she wanted a more intimate college experience and made the switch to Millersville. She had heard positive things about its social work program and wanted to help people change their lives.

Then, she hit what most people would call a roadblock—to her, it was a speed bump.

In 1996 as a student living in Gaige Hall, Buckley-Hamm collapsed in the shower. The first diagnosis was a brain tumor. After more tests, more hospitals, more doctors, she was told it was a vascular abnormality—the blood vessels in her brain can hemorrhage and cause episodes of paralysis. Because of the location in the brain, surgery is too risky without major consequences.

As quickly as her life changed, Buckley-Hamm came to terms with the fact that, as of now, nothing can be done. But she hasn’t let that slow her down. In the 12 years since the onslaught of her condition, she married her high school sweetheart, Greg Hamm. “He is terrific, wonderful. I love him to pieces!” While at the Olympic Games in Atlanta during the summer of 1996, Greg happily took Mary around the games via piggy-back rides.

Hamm currently works at Caron, a drug and alcohol treatment center, as an addictions counselor. She treats adolescent girls in the young women’s extended stay program. “It is extremely rewarding to see change in people’s lives. I just got an email from a former client updating me on her life and how grateful she is. I keep them all [letters and emails from former clients] in a book to go back to look at to remember why I do this.”

Buckley-Hamm’s degree in social work gave her the tools to change people’s lives. Her own story inspires the troubled young women that she counsels.

Even though she is in a wheelchair, Mary Buckley-Hamm is on the go. She is shown here volunteering at the alumni event last summer at the Reading Phillies game.

middle school and French at the high school.
Misti (Davis) Zimmerman ’87, Westminster, Md., teaches seventh grade science in Carroll County, Maryland.
Kristin (Elder) Douglas ’88, Lititz, serves as librarian at Hempfield High School.
Kathy I. Everett ’88, Carlisle, retired from the National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors, Inc., in 2000. She and her husband, a professor at Dickinson College, then spent two years living in Italy.
Beryl (Davis) Grasser ’88, Reinholds, joined Warwick School District as a long-term substitute at the high school.
Dale R. Killinger ’88, Alexandria, Va., was promoted within the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the chief of the proactive data exploitation unit, which is part of the Foreign Counterterrorism Task Force.
Timothy Kressly ’88, Homestead, Fla., serves as director of operations, South Florida, for G&R Mineral Services.
David Beltz ’89, Mendham, N.J., works in Singapore as the Asia IT director for Air Products, responsible for their operations in eight countries.
Lori (Zodi) Orihuel ’89, Lancaster, teaches gifted students for Penn Manor School District.

1990s

Patricia A. Baker ’90, Canterbury, U.K., was promoted to associate professor at the University of Kent, Canterbury. Her book, Medical Care in the Roman Army on the Rhine, Danube and British Frontiers, was published in 2004.
Kathleen (Young) Keller ’90, Hummelstown, was appointed tourism director for the Cumberland Valley Visitors Bureau.

Jennifer (Fox) Reinhart ’90, Lancaster, was named assistant principal at Washington Elementary School in the School District of Lancaster.
Lois (Beardslee) Carlisle ’92, Elizabethtown, joined Donegal School District as a certified school nurse.
Jean R. (Crossley) Gabl ’92, Philadelphia, serves as a teacher supervisor at a charter school in Philadelphia. Previously, she worked as a teacher for 14 years in the School District of Philadelphia while earning her certifications in elementary education and supervision from Temple University.
Barry E. Groff ’92, Willow Street, joined Penn Manor School District as a technology education instructor.

C. L. Wayne Moore ’92, Lubbock, Texas, serves as vice president and director of internal communications for American State Bank.
Rosita Moore ’92, Lubbock, Texas, is an academic advisor in the College of Education at Texas Tech University. She also edits theses and dissertations for graduate students and journal articles for professors.
Heather Nielsen ’92, New York, N.Y., has left Wall Street after more than a decade. She is working as volunteer coordinator for Dress For Success in New York. She is also pursuing a master’s in business administration at the City University of New York’s Baruch College.

Jennifer Scalise ’92, Smyrna, Ga., is an implementation project manager for United Health Group.
Kathleen (Conner) Stehman ’92, Mount Joy, joined Donegal Middle School as a 6th grade reading specialist.
Christine (Vigoletti) Forrest ’92, York, is employed by Diaz Data Services as a legal transcriptionist.
Rebecca Zung-Clough ’92, Naples, Fla., was promoted to wealth strategist for Northern Trust’s Naples operations. She is a vice president with the company.

Karen (Kratz) Gyimesi ’93, Lincroft, N.J., works as a public relations consultant based in New York City and Red Bank, New Jersey.

Teresa (Mulville) Johnson ’93, Collegeville, is employed by TEVA Pharmaceuticals, USA, as a safety and environmental manager.

David Kmieciak ’93, Lititz, was inducted into the Minor League Football News Hall of Fame. He is the general manager and director of public relations for the Central Penn Piranha minor league football team.

Harold McKale ’93, Langhorne, received his master of divinity degree from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in 2000. He is now pursuing a master’s degree in theology at the seminary.

Karen (Cassidy) Morissette ’93, ’07M, Lancaster, earned her M.Ed. in English from Millersville University. She teaches at McCaskey East High School.

Amy (McLean) Pelletier ’93, Lancaster, earned her master’s degree in education with a concentration in teaching and curriculum from Penn State University. She is employed by Knowledge Learning Corporation in the Education and Training Department as a systems education specialist.

Clifford Bechtel ’94, Gilbertsville, appeared with the Pottstown Symphony Orchestra in December 2007 as a tenor soloist in Handel’s “Messiah.” He performs frequently in the greater Philadelphia area and has recently taken on worldwide representation through the firm C&K Artists, Ltd.

Karena (Backof) Curtis ’94, Parkton, Md., earned her master’s degree in elementary education/middle school science from Towson University. She is currently working as a STEM science resource teacher for Baltimore County Public Schools.

Cindy (Rogowitz) DelGiorno ’94, Wilmington, Del., serves as chairperson of the human dynamics and development department at the Wilmington Friends School.

Mark Ertel ’94, Hatfield, earned his master’s degree in business administration from Temple University and was recently named area manager of construction for Verizon.

Robert E. Snodgrass ’94, Smyrna, Tenn., is a career school counselor at High-Tech Institute in Nashville. He is responsible for the Ability to Benefit Program, a federal school program to help students without a high school diploma or GED attend a career college.

Jennifer (Walbert) Johnson ’95, Easton, serves as head teacher for the Pre-K Counts Program in Allentown.

Todd Moran ’95, Elkton, Md., is employed as safety director for M. Davis & Sons, Inc., where he has worked for 11 years focusing on construction and general industry.

Chloe (Kopp) Smith ’95, York, serves as director of nursing at the Dallastown Nursing Center.

Laura (Watts) Clark ’96, Frederick, Md., received her project management professional certification with the PMI Institute.

Gale Thomason ’96, Lancaster, serves as executive director of the Water Street Medical Dental Clinic in Lancaster.

Fran (De la Paz) Adamo ’97, Oxford, works in the medical intensive care unit at Christiana Care and has been accepted into the nurse anesthesia track at Villanova University.

Karen (Sawyer) Loftus ’97, Philadelphia, is employed as a teacher at MaST Community Charter School in Philadelphia.

Lori Ann (Stuart) Mott ’97, Halethorpe, Md., works as a reading specialist in Howard County, Maryland, and is an associate professor at Johns Hopkins University.

Melissa (Thompson) Schneider ’97, Laurel, Md., earned her master’s degree in education from Walden University.

Melinda (Yarnall) White ’97, Downingtown, is employed as an analyst in the finance department with Hamilton Lane Advisors, LLC, in Bala Cynwyd.

Anthony D. DiLorenzo ’98, Washington, D.C., works for the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, a non-profit organization comprised of educators, researchers and students in the field of aging.

Kara (Rill) Grove ’98, Lancaster, earned her second master’s degree in language and literacy and received her reading specialist’s certificate from Millersville University. She works as a reading specialist at Strasburg Elementary School.

Jill (Kushnerick) Irgang ’98, Media, joined The DePaul Group as a human resource generalist. Kyle Irgang ’98, Media, is employed with Lasko Products, Inc., as a quality engineer. BethAnn (Collins) Jordan ’98, Malvern, was named senior account executive for The Archer Group in Wilmington.

Stacey (Kessler) Zaikoski ’98, Dover, Del., graduated from dental school at University of Texas Health Science Center in 2006 and serves as a general dentist in the U.S. Air Force at Dover Air Force Base, Delaware.

2000s

Ciaran Dalton ’00, Wallingford, received his master’s degree in education from Temple University. He teaches a primary emotional support class within the Interboro School District. He also serves as assistant coach of the men’s soccer team at Swarthmore College.

Ryan McClellan ’00, Harrisburg, was promoted to national strategic account manager at Brown-Forman, a diversified producer and marketer of consumer beverage products.

Stephanie Snyder ’00, Etters, earned her master’s degree in social work from Temple University. She co-owns the Canna Country Inn Bed and Breakfast in Etters.

Erin Ferer ’01, Milton, Fla., graduated from the University of West Florida with her master’s degree in biology. She is a contract biologist for the Environmental Protection Agency in Pensacola.

Timothy Marcoe ’01, Harrisburg, serves as parochial vicar at St. Joseph Parish in Hanover.

Todd Mealy ’01, Lancaster, joined Penn Manor School District as a social studies teacher and football coach.

Jeffrey Radcliffe ’01, Hatboro, received the St. Clair Drake Student Travel Grant to present his research on hunger and poverty in urban areas.
centers at the annual meeting of the American Anthropological Association. The research is part of his ongoing Ph.D. project at Temple University.

Karen Robison ’01, New Cumberland, accepted a position as public relations director for Insurance Agents & Brokers in Mechanicsburg.

Seán Scott ’01, Philadelphia, signed on as a wide receiver for the Cleveland Gladiators, an arena football team. He was previously a member of the Philadelphia Soul football team.

Adam Shoffner ’01, Royersford, was promoted to senior specialist of Regulatory Administration, PFPC, Inc., of Valley Forge.

George Barnock ’02, Lancaster, works for the Housing & Community Development Division of the York County Planning Commission.

Kristen (Mynxter) Heisey ’02, Mount Joy, is employed with Three Rivers Adoption Center, the largest adoption agency in the state.

Gregg Heimer ’02, Pottstown, works as chief technical officer for UFS-Aero. He is also an aviation videographer for NBC 10, ABC 6 videographer for NBC 10, ABC 6 and Fox 29 television stations.

Luke Hoak ’02, Atco, N.J., is a production manager for Universal Forest Products, Inc.

Nicole Kilpatrick ’02, Easton, received her diploma in orthopedic technology and is working for Coordinated Health.

Sarah (McCune) Marsik ’02, Frederick, Md., works in biotechnology at MedImmune, Inc. in Frederick, Md., works in biotechnology at MedImmune, Inc. Frederick, Md., works in biotechnology at MedImmune, Inc. Frederick, Md., works in biotechnology at MedImmune, Inc.

Stacy Rosenthal ’02, Studio City, Calif., serves as the a marketing manager responsible for hemophilia analytics for Baxter Healthcare Corp.

Alana Atterbury ’03, New York, N.Y., is employed with AIG-Domestic Brokerage Group in New York City.

Erin (Johnson) Baker ’03, Pittsburgh, accepted a position in corporate human resources within Strategic College Recruiting for the PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.

Kristin (Miller) Barnock ’03, Lancaster, graduated from Lancaster General Nursing School in 2007 and works as a registered nurse in the ICU at Lancaster General Hospital.

Courtney (Graybill) Frazier ’03, Frederick, Va., joined Manheim Central School District as a kindergarten teacher at Doe Run Elementary.

Colleen (Hollinger) Hovanec ’03, Littitz, began the school year as the principal of Fritz Elementary School in the Conestoga Valley School District.

Sheree Parker ’03, Upper Darby, received her master's degree in human services from Lincoln University and works as a behavioral specialist consultant with Maternal Child Consortium in Bensalem.

Stephanie Reamer ’03, Philadelphia, joined Penn Manor School District as a long-term substitute art teacher at Marticville Middle School.

Ashlea Rineer ’03, Wexford, earned her master's degree at Eastern Mennonite University and is employed as a professor of special education at Slippery Rock University.

Tiffany (Smeal) Shoffner ’03, Royersford, joined Thomas Scientific as a territory manager selling laboratory supplies, equipment and chemicals in Central Pennsylvania.

Jyoti Sydnor ’03, Holly Springs, N.C., is employed as a preschool teacher at Primrose in North Carolina.

Irene Tzinis ’03, Reading, graduated with a master's degree in public and international affairs from the University of Pittsburgh. She also received the dean’s award for distinguished service to the school and university.

Charisse Collins ’04, Bensalem, earned two degrees in May of 2007: a law degree from Penn State's Dickinson School of Law and a master's degree in public administration from Penn State's Capital Campus in Harrisburg.

Amanda Helwig ’04, Columbia, joined Penn Manor School District as a second grade teacher at Central Manor Elementary.

Katie Imes ’04, New Holland, serves as conference sports information director for the Middle Atlantic Conference and is an assistant coach of women's basketball at Franklin & Marshall College.

Jennifer Rivelli ’04, Langhorne, teaches first grade at Saint Ignatius of Antioch School in Yardley.

Andrew S. Bainbridge ’05, Sinking Spring, is a lance corporal in the U.S. Marine Corps. He graduated from the ammunition technician course at the Marine Corps Detachment Redstone Arsenal in Alabama. He also received a meritorious mast for outstanding service.

Erika Butts ’05, Indianapolis, Ind., joined Alpha Sigma Alpha National Sorority as the volunteer support services coordinator.

Casie Cummings ’05, Lancaster, joined Penn Manor School District as a fourth grade teacher at Central Manor Elementary.

Christopher Gehman ’05, Manheim, owns Lancaster Liquidators and Gehman Enterprises, LLC, selling brand-name merchandise online worldwide.

David Breidenstine ’06, Cornwall, presented a lecture recital titled “The Fantastic Development of Fantasy Music” in Freeman Hall at Cornwall Manor. He teaches music at Union Canal Elementary School.

Ann Helwig ’06, Conestoga, joined Penn Manor School District as a kindergarten teacher at Martic Elementary.

Rebecca (Toms) Holmes ’06, Lancaster, teaches a life skills class at Riverview Elementary for the Donegal School District.

Rebecca Moran ’06, Drexel Hill, serves the Haverford School District as a learning support teacher at Lynnewood Elementary.

Laura Kuchmay ’06, West Grove, earned her master's degree in archives and records management from University College of London.

Kari Nye ’06, Manheim, joined Donegal School District as school counselor at Donegal Springs.

Tricia Ober ’06, Myerstown, teaches first grade at Martic Elementary in the Penn Manor School District.

Diane Poillon ’06M, Pequea, has been promoted to president and chief operating officer of Willow Valley Associates, Inc. She will continue to lead Willow Valley's focused service hotel business unit. Previously, she served as the executive vice president and COO.

She received her master's degree in business administration in 2006 from Millersville University.

Sarah Arndt ’07, Elizabethtown, joined Warwick School District as a third grade teacher at Kissel Hill Elementary School.

Lauren Dufault ’07, Lancaster, teaches fifth grade at Pequea Elementary School in the Penn Manor School District.

Jenna Hoffman ’07, Lewistown, serves Penn Manor School District as the new third grade teacher at Ann LeTort Elementary School.

Paul John Holberg ’07, Pequea, is employed as a learning support teacher at Donegal Middle School.

Lisa Lombardo ’07, Lancaster, joined Penn Manor School District
as third grade teacher at Martic Elementary School.

Kenneth D. Ludwig ’07, Lehigh City, Texas, serves as safety specialist in the Houston Chemicals and Safety Department at Sunoco Chemicals in La Porte, Texas.

Walter P. Parrish III ’07, Philadelphia, joined Drexel University as the new coordinator for campus activities and community development.

Christina Pepper ’07, Mechanicsburg, teaches art at Bonfield Elementary with the Warwick School District.

Erik Polaski ’07, Lancaster, joined Pequea Elementary in the Penn Manor School District as a second grade teacher.

Megan Urban ’07, Pittsburgh, serves Penn Manor School District as a sixth grade teacher at Pequea Elementary School.

Marriages

Lynn (Gallagher) Garry ’73 and John T. Maher II, 5/8/07.

Nancy Dussinger ’73 and David Henry, 7/21/07.

Julie A. Cahill ’87 and Matthew Eastburn, 5/7/07.

Sheri L. Tatz ’88 and Michael J. Barry, 6/24/07.

Christy A. Melhorn ’90 and Javier Quezada, 10/13/07.

Amy Schwarz ’90 and William A. Sodeman III, 10/13/07.

Karen Stambaugh ’91 and Steven Gilbert, 8/19/06.


Cindy Rogowitz ’94 and Gordon DelGorno, 10/6/07.

Ross DeAmbrogio ’95 and SueEllen A. Moll, 6/18/05.

Susan Shirlig ’97 and Devin McGonigal, 6/2/07.

Lori Stuart ’97 and James “Kevin” Mott, 11/11/06.

Charles L. Fry ’98 and Stacy L. Powers ’00, 10/13/07.

Kara Rill ’98 and Anthony Grove ’02, 7/29/05.

Brian K. Malek ’98 and Jennifer L. Paul, 7/14/07.

Catherine “Katie” Krout ’99 and Timothy Straus, 9/21/07.

Clair Daniel ’00 and Jennifer Fearnlow, 8/5/07.

Allison C. Foluter ’00 and Jason E. Shearer, 6/9/07.

Jennifer Stafford ’00 and Michael Shergren, 10/14/06.

Jason Wilson ’00 and Megan Amitrano ’01, 10/6/07.

Kimberly Nimmerichter ’01 and Caleb Weaner, 10/6/07.

Bryan Entrenkin ’02 and Marikay Becker ’03, 9/22/07.

Sarah Ann McCune ’02 and Travis Marsik, 6/24/06.

Kristen Myxter ’02 and Jeff Heisey, 8/24/06.

Christine Collin ’03 and Francis Gessler, 6/23/07.

Kimberly Devlin ’03 and Andreas Heinrich, 8/17/07.

Deborah Klein ’03 and Matthew Ward, 6/16/07.

Stephanie Macon ’03 and Ryan Shenck ’04, 5/26/07.

Steve Marsh ’03 and Kimberly Pace ’03, 10/20/07.

Gail M. Supersad ’03 and Norman M. McMillan III, 4/7/07.

Kerri Tingle ’03 and Andrew Limburt, 7/27/07.

Rebekah Zercher ’03 and Richard Miller, 9/3/06.

Tim Bradley ’04 and Julie Esek ’05, 8/4/07.

Kimberly Christyan ’04 and Lee Baker, 5/26/07.

Christie Goss ’04 and Eric Snyder ’04, 8/4/07.

Matthew Maisano ’04 and Regina Lombardo, 6/15/07.

Nicole S. Fossil ’05 and Dennis J. Harding, 6/23/07.

Ryan J. Flannery ’06 and Jenna L. Wallace ’07, 6/23/07.

Kristen Moser ’06 and Kyle Youndt, 9/22/07.

Krista J. Craven ’07 and Nathan D. Snyder, 7/14/07.

Births

Thomas J. Burns III ’91 and wife Kristine (Stoppel) ’91, a daughter, Brigitte Kristine, on 6/4/07. She joins older brother, Thomas, and sister, Brooke.

Deborah (Panik) Macon ’92 and husband Steve, a daughter, Emily, on 9/16/06, and sons, Nicholas, on 11/2/00, and Joshua, on 3/26/96.

Sandy (Messner) Neill ’92 and husband Cliff, a daughter, Molly Rose, on 1/27/06.

Joelle (Bendull) Rajkowski ’92 and husband George, a daughter, Annabelle Lee, on 5/11/07.

Becky (Romerstein) Rhoads ’92 and husband Les, a son, Jack Alexander, on 9/4/07. She joins brother, Scott.

Teresa (Mulville) Johnson ’93 and husband Rob, a daughter, Elizabeth Paige, in 3/07. She joins sister, Madeleine Rose.

Mary Beth (Castelli) Oles ’93 and husband Mark, a son, Luke, on 10/26/07.

Ann Marie (Rosenberger) Rosen ’93 and husband Ken, a daughter, Emily Ann, on 10/31/07.

Eric T. Slaymaker ’93 and wife Heather, a daughter, Jessica Ann, on 6/22/06, and a son, Ryan Eric, on 12/6/07.

David E. Fair ’94 and wife Melodie (Stine) ’94, a son, Alexander Jeffrey, on 6/2/06.

Victoria (Wismer) Megginson ’94 and husband Greg, a daughter, Riley Elizabeth, on 10/15/07. She joins sister, Emma.

Jennifer R. (Miller) Riale ’94 and husband Mark, a daughter, Hope Abigail, on 10/26/07.

Ryan C. Byler ’06 and Nicole M. Borowicz ’07 were married on 5/12/07 – the same day she graduated from Millersville University. She had chosen her wedding date before selecting a dual major which caused the date conflict. In December, she walked with Ryan and the class of 2006 at commencement.

The wedding party (left to right): Scott Pfeffer ’99 - fraternity brother of the groom Phi Sigma Pi, Laura Missanelli - sorority sister of bride, Alpha Sigma Alpha, current student, David Sadaphal, Rachel Seckinger - sorority sister of bride, Alpha Sigma Alpha, current student, the bride Nicole Byler ’07 and groom Ryan Byler ’06, Michelle Balut and David Borowicz.
Ross DeAmbrogio ’95 and wife SueEllen, a daughter, Abigail Jane, on 2/1/06.
Leigh (Magee) Hannan ’95 and husband Christopher, a son, Trevor Sean, on 6/6/07, and a son, Conor Joseph, on 1/31/06.
Jason Klinger ’95 and wife Jennifer (Stohr) ’95, a son, Justin Cole, on 11/6/07.
Megan (Gallagher) McDermott ’95 and husband Steven, twin sons, Brendan and Finn, on 9/29/06.

Heather (Reed) O’Mara ’95 and husband Michael, a son, Shane Reed, on 6/18/07.
Rebecca (Robinson) Ruebling ’95 and husband Chris, a daughter, Emma Rose, on 8/6/07. She joins brother, Jake.
Kim (Manzella) Strohecker ’95 and husband Scott, a son, Eric William, on 12/23/06.
Julia (Rudzinski) Tiounoff ’95 and husband Mark, a son, Benjamin Emory, on 3/1/07.

Nicole (Theis) Wagner ’95 and husband Jonathan, a daughter, Naomi Valentina, on 11/28/07.
Leslie (Powell) Barry ’96 and husband Douglas, a son, Andrew Robert, on 3/22/06.
Thomas Hironimus ’96 and wife Tonya (Schaffer) ’97, a son, Brady Thomas, on 10/4/07.
Jeri (Hinkle) Kramer ’M ’96 and husband Todd, a daughter, Kendall, on 9/22/07.
Cindy (Delp) Lewis ’96 and husband Kyle, a son, Chase Alexander, on 5/15/07.
Alexis (Colello) Mendenhall ’96 and husband Andrew, a daughter, Meredith, on 4/29/07.
Joanne C. (Marchesani) Meredith ’96 and husband Rob, a daughter, Riley Christine, on 5/16/07, and a son, Reese Christian, on 3/10/05.
Stephanie (Leonards) Roman ’96 and husband Gregory, a son, Samuel Lawrence, on 5/6/07.
Douglas Underwood ’96 and wife Melissa (Laubach) ’98, a son, Leighton Richard, on 3/14/07.
Kimberly (Arnold) Coons ’97 and husband Eric, a son, Finnegan Riley, on 7/2/07. He joins brother, Xander.
Amy (Green) Higgins ’97 and husband Bill, a daughter, Caroline Susan, on 9/6/07.
Liz (Hakemian) Muirhead ’97 and husband John, a son, Nathan Michael, on 6/18/07.

Leigh (Magee) Hannan ’95 and husband Christopher, a son, Trevor Sean, on 6/6/07, and a son, Conor Joseph, on 1/31/06.

Matthew Hironimus ’98 and wife Tonya (Schaffer) ’97, a son, Brady Thomas, on 10/4/07.
Joe Coxey ’02 and wife Margaret (Kelly) ’02, a son on 6/18/07.
Luke Hoak ’02 and wife Ashley, a son, Cole Alexander, on 9/8/07.
Sarah Ann (McCune) Marsik ’02 and husband Travis, a daughter, Kaelyn, on 7/17/07, and a son, Logan, on 6/17/04.
Matt Ricketts ’02 and wife Melissa (Miley) ’02, a son, Cale Matthew, on 12/28/06.

Belinda (Kaplan) Zander ’95 and husband David, a daughter, Underwood, on 7/12/07.

Jessica (Plank) Houde ’98 and husband Charles, a daughter, Olivia Nicole, on 10/25/07.
Kevin Michael ’98 and wife Robyn (Stefanski) ’99, a son, Benjamnin Slade, on 1/5/07.
Alexia (Gutner) Myslinski ’98 and husband Trevor ’98, a daughter, Isabella Charlotte, on 8/29/07.
Brian Rooney ’98 and wife Karin (Kaufhold) ’00, a son, Finnian Patrick, on 11/16/07.
Stacey (Kessler) Zaikoski ’98 and husband Anthony, a son, Patrick Anthony, on 11/22/07.
Beth (Lyle) Gallagher ’99 and husband Michael, a son, Ethan James, on 11/2/07.
Stephanie Girard ’99 and Eric Lawrence, a son, Anthony Michael, on 12/12/07.
Thomas Hopta ’99 and wife Elizabeth (Guise) ’01, a daughter, Natalie Elizabeth, on 5/28/07.
Maia (Marmor) Knowles ’99 and husband Nathaniel, a son, Gideon John, on 4/14/07.
Kelly L. (Hoffer) Musser ’99 and husband Andy Musser, a daughter, Myra Jane, on 8/6/07.
Elizabeth (Ditzler) Stair ’99 and husband Zack, a son, Abram Thomas, on 7/18/07, and son, Nolan Abel, on 7/22/05.
Rita (Nolt) Peters ’00 and husband Henry, a son, Traeton Kardell, on 5/14/07.
Jennifer (Stafford) Shelgren ’00 and husband Michael, a daughter, Hannah Isabelle, on 7/4/07.
Meghan (Edmiston) Mellinger ’01 and husband Jared, a daughter, Lily Kathryn, on 10/30/07.
Mindie M. (Lowe) Olseksi ’01 and husband Anthony P. ’04, a daughter, Meredith Louise, on 2/14/07.
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Couple’s Millersville connections span generations
Submitted by Roberta (Williams) Francis

The paths of Robert F. Williams ’38 and Emma Louise Gibble ’39 crossed at Millersville State Teachers College in 1936. And, they were together until death parted them in 2007. Louise passed away June 27, and Bob followed her on November 14.

Although Bob’s Aunt Sara was married to Millersville’s Dean of Instruction Sanders P. McComsey ’17 (for whom McComsey Hall is named), Bob and Louise were the first members of their linear families to attend college.

Bob often told the story of the first time he saw Louise. “I was working in the science building and looked out the window at the nearby tennis courts. There was a tennis ball stuck in the fence, and I saw a pretty little brunette in short shorts climbing up to get it.”

He admitted to elaborating on the tale by saying he burnt his hand on a Bunsen burner while watching her. Louise recalled that she and classmate Bea Smith went to see Bob (who had a reputation as the “campus heartthrob”) perform an experiment at a science fair, and she told Bea she would distract him by staring at him with what were then called “panther eyes.” Whatever the chemistry was, it worked. Bob saw her walking on campus and asked her out – although he waited until the fourth date to kiss her. (“She thought I was slow,” he said.)

Both were involved in many campus activities. Bob sang second tenor in the Campus Quartet and acted in the Cimatard Players. Louise played tennis and was captain of the women’s volleyball team. Bob graduated as valedictorian and lifetime president of the Class of 1938, and Louise graduated as salutatorian of the Class of 1939. Married in 1940, Bob and Louise had three daughters: Roberta, Sherrill and Joan.

After World War II, Bob joined Lancaster Newspapers, Inc., retiring in 1982 as director of advertising sales. Louise devoted herself to her family and occasionally did substitute teaching.

Tennis remained a focal point of their lives over the decades. In 2000, to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, they played a “love match,” cheered on by family and friends.

Their daughter Joan ’78 prevailed over the challenges of juvenile rheumatoid arthritis to become a much-loved social studies teacher at Lancaster’s Wheatland Middle School. After her passing in 1996, the family established the Joan Williams Scholarship Fund at Millersville. One of the couple’s granddaughters, Heather (Campbell) Picone ’90, added to the Millersville legacy.

Their connection with Millersville has not been broken, since their ashes are interred close to campus at Millersville Mennonite Cemetery.

Contributions in their memory may be made to the Millersville University Foundation (Joan Williams Scholarship Fund).

Rachel (Berkman) Scotten ’02 and husband Keith, a daughter, Kennedy Willow, on 10/7/07.
Gail M. (Supersad) McMillan ’03 and husband Norman, a daughter, Dominique Mia, on 8/25/06.

Deaths
Jean (Girvin) Martin ’21, Valley Center, Calif., died on 10/20/07, at the age of 105. She retired as a teacher at Christiana Elementary School in 1967.

Dolly (Gulden) McCulloch ’22, York, died on 11/12/07, at the age of 103. She taught Latin in the York City School District for over 40 years.
Levi K. Oberholser ’26, Gap, died on 10/28/07, at the age of 102. He retired after 44 years of service with the Upper Darby School District.

Dorothy I. “Dot” Kaylor ’31, Mount Joy, died on 11/26/07, at the age of 96. She was a teacher in the Mount Joy area for 42 years.

Opal F. Prowell ’40, Middletown, died on 10/3/07, at the age of 90.
She retired from the Middletown School District, where she taught for 40 years.

Ruth P. (Nestleroth) Reese ’41, Manheim, died on 1/3/08, at the age of 88. An active member of her community, she served as the concession manager at the Manheim Community Pool for many years and volunteered at the community library.

John S. Hanebury ’47, Spring City, died on 10/9/07, at the age of 84. He retired after 40 years of teaching Industrial Arts at Spring Ford School District.

Z. Virginia Kuehne ’47, Lancaster, died on 11/7/07, at the age of 83. She taught kindergarten for the School District of Lancaster and later retired from the Manheim Township School District.

Lena “Lee” (Bortner) LaCaff ’51, San Antonio, Texas, died on 10/11/07, at the age of 78. She served as a library director in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Maryland, California, Germany, and most recently Texas, as coordinator of the State Library District 10 and its 41 public libraries.

Stanley C. Madeja ’51, Boyertown, died on 8/30/07, at the age of 77. He served the Boyertown School District for 37 years as a mechanical drawing teacher.

Anthony M. Paviglianiti ’54, Kelseyville, Calif., died on 8/17/07, at the age of 73. He was an elementary teacher and principal for over 34 years in several Lancaster County school districts. After his retirement, he worked as a substitute teacher in California for almost ten years.

Julianne B. “Judy” (Delp) Gehman ’55, New Holland, died on 11/3/07, at the age of 73. She worked as a reading specialist and educational consultant for more than 30 years and served as the Title I reading and literacy coordinator for East Lancaster County School District.

Dr. Paul G. Fisher, music faculty emeritus and former chair of the music department passed away on 12/21/07, in Lancaster.

He served on the Millersville faculty from 1966-1985. Fisher played principal horn in the Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra for more than 32 years and also played with the Lancaster Symphony Orchestra. Fisher founded the Hershey Community Chorus, the Wesley Singers and the Lancaster Pops Orchestra. He served as director of music at the First United Methodist Church in Lancaster for 25 years.

Following his retirement, Fisher continued to be a strong supporter of the performing arts at Millersville. He established the Paul G. Fisher Endowment Fund for bringing guest artists to campus. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Paul G. Fisher Endowment Fund at Millersville University Foundation.

John P. Kershner ’56, New Smyrna Beach, Fla., died on 9/2/04, at the age of 70. He practiced law in Lancaster and Oklahoma City, before retiring to Florida.

R. Annette (Prizer) Roth ’59, Pottstown, died on 11/2/07, at the age of 69. She was a retired teacher who enjoyed travel, writing and art projects.

Donald J. Lacey ’59, Newark, Del., died on 10/6/07, at the age of 75. He served as a teacher at Castle Hills Elementary School, where he later retired as principal in 1991.

Dennis M. Spancake ’60, McAlisterville, died on 11/4/07, at the age of 68. He was an industrial arts teacher for 31 years at Lehighton High School and East Juniata High School, retiring in 1991.

Doris L. (Charles) Weaver ’74, Lititz, died on 10/31/07, at the age of 54. She had recently retired as an ombudsman for the Lancaster County Office of Aging.

Mary J. Light ’77, Lancaster, died on 11/10/07, at the age of 56. She was an avid reader, gardener and collector of antique buttons.

Ana Teresa Ravelo-Ortiz ’77M, Pottstown, died on 10/19/07, at the age of 59. She taught Spanish at several school districts, most recently at East Norriton Middle School.

Regina “Gina” (Majewski) Brown ’83, Fredericksburg, died on 12/4/07, at the age of 58. She was employed as a psychiatric nurse at Penn State Hershey.

John R. Hawthorne ’83, Lancaster, died on 8/27/07, at the age of 42. He worked for R.R. Donnelly Corp. and later Weis Markets of Willow Street.

Cathleen “Leen” N. (Freed) Engle ’87, Lancaster, died on 11/27/07, at the age of 42. She worked as an investment administrator for Capital Advisors, Inc., of Lancaster for the past 18 years.

Jeffrey A. Way ’87, Landisville, died on 11/11/07, at the age of 42. He recently celebrated his 20th year teaching ninth grade science at Hempfield High School. He was also involved with chess club, science fair and fellowship of Christian athletes.
Robert V. Brown may have graduated from Millersville in 1943, but he found it difficult to stay away.

After he earned his degree in industrial arts, he joined the U.S. Army during World War II. He then earned his master’s degree in psychology from Purdue University, followed by a doctorate in educational administration.

His career in education included teaching and serving as assistant principal at Haverford High School near Philadelphia. But, Brown found his way back to the place that was always dear to him – Millersville.

“It was a little like coming full circle. It was wonderful to be back,” says Brown, who now lives in Ocean City, New Jersey with his wife, Virginia “Ginny” K. Brown.

His return to Millersville came in 1962, when lifelong-friend and colleague Bill Duncan suggested that he apply for the position of assistant director of admissions. At the time, Duncan was director of admissions. When Duncan became president of Millersville, Brown was promoted to director of admissions, and later as assistant vice president of academic affairs.

Meanwhile Ginny was pursuing her own career as a local TV celebrity. She had earned her degree in food and science, with an emphasis on dietary and nutrition, at Drexel University. A talented cook, she put her skills and knowledge to work on WGAL-TV as the food editor. Her show focused on recipes, food features, demonstrations, chef interviews and nutritional tips.

As soon as Ginny mentioned her idea about a television program for women on food, her husband encouraged her to go for it. She pitched the concept for the show to Nelson Sears, then a WGAL-TV executive who now serves on Millersville’s Council of Trustees. Sears loved the idea and so did audiences. Ginny spent six years as Lancaster’s TV food expert, receiving up to 3,000 letters each week. It was much like teaching, she says. Having taught high school home economics, she now had a much bigger classroom with thousands of students!

“It was a lot of fun, and a lot of work,” says Ginny. “I had lesson plans and everything.”

Married in 1946, the Browns have traveled all over the world. But when Bob retired in 1980, he and Ginny bought a cottage at Ocean City, not far from the beach and boardwalk.

Retirement for the Browns has never meant sitting around. For the past 25 years, they have been volunteering at Shore Memorial Hospital in nearby Somers Point. They greet patients, help to transport them to tests and other procedures, get them wheelchairs and offer caring concern.

“It makes us feel that we are helping people and contributing in some way,” says Bob.

The Browns have stayed very involved with Millersville through the years and attend nearly every alumni weekend. As long-time supporters of the University, they are members of the Hobbs-Wickersham Society and the 1855 Society. Plus, they have endowed a scholarship that supports industry and technology majors.

“Millersville will always be close to my heart,” says Brown. “I have such wonderful memories. I want others to experience what I did.”
The Butterfly Garden on Millersville's campus is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Sydney "Dr. Rad" Radinovsky.