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Heimo Wallner is a noted Austrian printmaker and animator.

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LECTURE SERIES
Anna Funk Lockey Lecture: Dr. James Comer
March 4, at 7 p.m.
Lehr Room, Gordinier Hall
A faculty member at the Yale University School of Medicine's Child Study Center, Dr. Comer is an expert in healthy child development as it relates to academic achievements and life success.

Latino Celebration Lecture: Consuelo Castillo Kickbusch
March 27, at 7 p.m.
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Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Kickbusch offers a powerful message on leadership in today’s global marketplace.

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The Duncans

I was pleased to read about the Duncans (Review, summer 2007 issue) as well as their response and Keith Gentzler’s ’62 anecdote (Review, fall 2007 issue).

I have a story about the Duncans to tell as well. I arrived on campus in the fall of 1975 by which time Dr. Duncan was MU President.

A wonderful Millersville alumni couple, Bill and Winnie McCain who are contemporaries of the Duncans, told me all about Millersville and the Duncans and to be sure and look them up. That fall Dr. and Mrs. Duncan had an open house which I attended. After chatting with them, the Duncans told me to visit anytime and I (being a naive freshman) took them up on it. During my four years, I would stop and say hello to Dr. Duncan if I was in Biemesderfer or to Mrs. Duncan if I saw her outside the President’s residence. I would often just wander through the garden because it reminded me of my grandfather’s.

One day there was a message at my dorm room to stop at the Duncans’ to see something special. First of all, some of the girls on my hall couldn’t believe that I got a call from the president’s house or that I went there! When I arrived, Dr. Duncan showed me the way to the basement where he had some of the garden plants under lights for the winter. The one plant I especially liked, the elephant ear, was blooming which it didn’t do very often since it is a tropical plant. It was a thrill and an honor to see it.

When I graduated in 1979, the Duncans gave me a little elephant ear plant of my own which I still have and it, too, has bloomed for me. Thank you Dr. and Mrs. Duncan for such beautiful memories.

- Maria Bono Kardick ’79

New, improved Millersville website

A new look for Millersville University’s website was launched in January. The new site uses a content management system which features new interactive elements, easier navigation, enhanced search functions, standardized layouts and improved site management elements.

With more than 50,000 pages associated with the University’s website, the site updates will be done in phases. The new website is the result of extensive research and user feedback.

Check it out at: www.millersville.edu
The largest sealift in world history and the veterans who facilitated it have largely been forgotten in history books and by the American people. That’s according to Dr. Ronald B. Frankum Jr., associate professor of history at Millersville and an expert on the Vietnam War.


The July 1954 Geneva Agreements established the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the Republic of Vietnam and it provided a 300 day period for the Vietnamese to relocate freely to either country. As a result, U.S. Navy ships transported 310,000 Vietnamese by sea who fled the Communist north in hopes of a better life in the south.

“What the American sailors accomplished during the ten months of the operation forever changed the lives of the Vietnamese who received transportation, food and medical care on the 110 ships involved,” said Frankum.

“The Americans poured out their hearts to these people and really helped give them an opportunity at a new life. One day they’d be handing out medicine and food, the next day they would act as a father, uncle or brother. It was a real humanitarian mission.”

“These veterans did what people in the military do everyday; they helped people,” said Frankum.

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1855 Society reception

The 1855 Society celebrated its inaugural reception on October 25, 2007, in Biemesderfer Center.

The Society exists to recognize the individuals and organizations that have provided leadership support for the University, its programs and students. Their philanthropic investment is a testament to their belief in and support for the works that the University has done and continues to do for the students, community and the region.

Members have made the University a priority in their giving and serve to inspire others who have a passion in making Millersville second to none.

Book chronicles the largest sealift in world history

The Student Research and Visual Performing Arts Conference, scheduled for Friday, April 18, marks the 20th anniversary of the research conference at Millersville.

The annual research conference started in 1989 with 23 students and their research work. Since then, each year more and more students take the opportunity to present their scholarly research work as traditional papers or as posters.

This year, the committee is encouraging submissions in the visual and performing arts as well as other research interests.

Dr. Kenneth Smith, associate professor of economics, is chairing the 2008 Undergraduate Student Research Conference Committee.
Commencement

December 16, 2007, was a wonderful day for 431 new graduates and their friends and family members. Among the new alumni were 375 undergraduates and 56 receiving graduate degrees.

The commencement address was delivered by Millersville alumnus Dr. Craig Camasta ’86 who noted that he was a first generation college graduate.

Today, Camasta, a doctor of podiatric medicine, is a partner in Atlanta’s Village Podiatry Group, the largest foot and ankle practice in the state of Georgia. His practice concentrates on adult and pediatric reconstructive forefoot, rearfoot, ankle and leg surgery.

While at Millersville, Camasta was a Division-I wrestling scholar, a 1983 PSAC place-winner and was awarded Academic All-American status. He was also active in the Student Senate and was the founding president of Phi Kappa Sigma (Kappa Beta) fraternity. After graduating with a B.S. degree in biology, he went on to Temple University College of Podiatric Medicine and was designated as a 1991 “top-ten” graduate.

Camasta has participated in various medical missions to Central America and Vietnam, with a primary interest in deformity assessment and surgical correction of pediatric deformities.

To the graduates, he spoke about the importance of finding a balance in one’s life and being true to oneself. Camasta said, “I charge you with the challenge of your future: establish your life by creating your own lifestyle, decide your place in the community and create the space to fit into it, temper your desires with common sense, and consciously choose to be happy.”

He referred to graduation as a “new beginning,” adding, “you will just begin to be a student again, this time for the rest of your life.”

A pioneer in his field, Camasta has authored hundreds of articles in medical and surgical journals, and trains surgical residents. He expressed his appreciation to his alma mater, for providing him “with the tools for success, the attitude of being a liberal thinker, and the foresight to allow my students to surpass me and to become my teacher.”

Honorary degree - Samuel Lombardo

Millersville University awarded Lancaster business leader Samuel Lombardo an honorary degree at the December commencement ceremonies as a symbol of his lifetime achievements.

Millersville grants honorary doctoral degrees to individuals of extraordinary accomplishments. As an academic institution, the University confers its highest honor, the symbol of highest achievement, on those individuals who have shown remarkable creativity or distinguished themselves through service or scholarship.

Lombardo has more than 32 years of experience in all aspects of the insurance industry. He is president and CEO of the Benecon Group, Inc., an employee benefits consulting firm. He is also the owner of S.N. Lombardo Insurance Brokers, Inc., a general insurance brokerage and consulting firm founded in 1977. His insurance agencies gained national recognition when they were listed four different times by INC Magazine as one of the “500 Fastest Growing Companies in America.”

Lombardo serves on the School of Humanities and Social Sciences advisory board at Millersville University and is recognized for his leadership support directed to the expansion and renovation of Millersville University’s major humanities and social sciences building, McComsey Hall.
Ask the Archives

Beginning with this issue of the Review, there will be an ongoing spotlight about the Millersville University Archives. It is a treasure trove of fascinating information and artifacts.

The University Archives is also a very busy place. During fall semester, there were more than 1,213 visits by students and researchers for help with course assignments or research projects. Another aspect of the archives is to assist people who call or email with requests for information.

If you have questions for the Archives, call 717-872-3624 or email Special.Collections@millersville.edu. Or, come visit us on the 4th floor of Ganser Library.

A recent question to the Archives highlighted the connection between Millersville and one family from 1866 to the present:

I am hopeful that you will be able to find information on my great grandmother who is believed to have been a student at Millersville. Her name is Mary Eliza Gibson Reed and she lived from 1849 to 1928. Both of my parents as well as my wife and I are graduates of Millersville. I have a daughter who wishes to attend Millersville next fall and we are trying to find out if Mary Eliza did attend in order to include her in our legacy. Thank you for your time in my behalf.

Gregg R. Bollinger ’79

Here’s what the search of the Archives found:

Mary Eliza Gibson of Little Britain, Lancaster County indeed attended the Millersville Normal School in 1866/67. It was quite common for students to attend only one year since they could get a teaching position with one year of schooling. In 1868/69, M. Jennie Gibson, also of Little Britain attended for one year. Perhaps they were related?

When Mary Eliza Gibson attended Millersville, there were 224 ladies and 428 gentlemen in attendance at the Normal School, with an additional 160 students in the Model School.

The college catalog notes that tuition and boarding including heat, light and washing for the winter session of 26 weeks cost $125.

Among the strict rules for the students: “No lady or gentleman attending this Institution will walk or ride with a person of the opposite sex, except in cases of necessity; and then, only with the permission of the Principal.”

Business executive establishes Honors College fellowship

Students at Millersville’s Honors College will benefit from a new mentoring and scholarship program. The Paul and Caroline Beideman Honors College Fellowship Program was announced by the Beidemans on December 2 during a visit to campus. The program is made possible by a generous gift from Paul Beideman ’71, ’05H, CEO of Associated Bank Corp, headquartered in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and his wife Caroline.

“We’re delighted to be able to provide a scholarship and mentoring program to the Honors College at Millersville,” said Beideman. “The Honors College, through their community of motivated, enthusiastic learners and dedicated faculty offer many opportunities beyond the classroom. We are pleased to have the opportunity to be able to help take this program to the next level.”

Dr. Dennis Downey, director of the Honors College, is thrilled. “The Honors College is a center for intellectual and social engagement on campus and in the community,” said Downey. “The Beideman fellowship and mentor program will greatly expand the academic and professional opportunities open to our best students.”

The mentors will be identified from the business and professional community. This includes Honors College alumni who will commit to mentor a scholar and visit campus once a year to meet with their student and Honors College faculty. Also, the Honors College student will visit the mentor on-site.

Paul Beideman ’71, ’05H announced the new Honors College fellowship and mentoring program that he and his wife Caroline have established.
Holocaust Conference: April 2-4

The theme of Millersville’s 28th Annual Holocaust and Genocide Conference is “Atrocities Outlawed, Human Rights Affirmed: The International Quest to Halt Genocide since 1948.” Key events include:

Wednesday, April 2, at 7 p.m.
Samantha Power will give the Aristides de Sousa Mendes Lecture. Power is a journalist, writer and professor and is currently affiliated with the Carr Center for Human Rights Policy at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Her book, *A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide*, won a Pulitzer Prize in 2003.

Thursday, April 3, at 9 a.m.
Henry T. King Jr., the last surviving prosecutor from the Nuremberg trials, will deliver the Reynold Koppel Lecture and discuss the relevance of the Nuremberg trials in today’s world.

Thursday, April 3, at 7 p.m.
“The Devil Came on Horseback” will be shown. The documentary film reveals the violence and tragedy of genocide in Darfur, Sudan.

Friday, April 4, at 9 a.m.
Louis Aucoin will give the Jack R. Fischel Lecture. Aucoin is an associate professor at the Institute for Human Security in the Fletcher School at Tufts University.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Dr. Saulius Suziedelis at Saulius.suziedelis@millersville.edu or 717-872-3381.

Walker Center established

The Robert and Sue Walker Center for Civic Responsibility and Leadership at Millersville University was announced on December 10. The Center is made possible by a $250,000 gift from former Congressman Robert Walker ’64, in memory of his wife, Sue Walker ’64, who died in May. In addition, Susquehanna Bancshares announced a $200,000 gift to establish an internship program as part of the Walker Center.

“The information economy has expanded our horizons and our knowledge,” said Walker. “Both have extended our reach – even to the stars. But both also have left us more isolated from the elements of our common bonds.”

The Walker Center will promote volunteerism, public sector internships, civic skills training and a policy research shop where students will be given an inside perspective on the policy-making process.

“[The Center] will help foster a campus culture that values civic and community engagement,” said Dr. Mel Allen, professor of philosophy, who heads the Civic and Community Engagement and Research Project (CCERP) efforts on campus.

Susquehanna Bancshares will establish a nonprofit and public sector internship program for Millersville students, allowing students to be paid for internships at community organizations, with no cost to the organizations.

“By offering financial stipends, nonprofits will be able to make it economically possible for more students to serve and learn with their organizations,” said William Reuter, chairman, president and CEO of Susquehanna Bancshares.

The Walker Center joins the Center for Public Impact, the Center for Public Scholarship and the Office of Internships and Civic Engagement Services, which are part of CCERP.
He is known as Doc Roc—more often just Doc—and his wife is Mama Roc. Together, the team of Dr. Ralph Anttonen and his wife Judy ’76 has become a Millersville University phenomenon.

Childhood sweethearts since their days in high school in Fitchburg, Mass., the Anttonens have turned their Millersville home into a favorite hangout, where students talk, learn, explore, discover and bond with their mentors.

“I think the kids like it here so much because they get an open-minded, warm environment where they can really share their ideas,” says Doc.

Anttonen, who has been at Millersville since 1971, wears many, many hats. These include chairman of the department of academic and student development, professor of educational psychology, director of the Exploratory Program, advisor to WIXQ-FM 91.7, radio show host, voice of the Marauders men’s basketball team, author and Santa Claus to the local fire company. And those are just a few.

His popular nickname of Doc – some people don’t even know his real name – came from his radio show persona. He and his wife have a Saturday afternoon radio show on WIXQ, where they play rock hits. Doc has been advisor to the radio station since 1975 (see page 19 for information about the WIXQ reunion on April 26).

His warm, resonating voice is also the same voice that has been announcing Millersville men’s basketball games since the early 1970s. He adds, “I’ve always loved basketball and I love announcing.”

Raised by his father and grandmother, Anttonen says, “I grew up poor with little family. So I like the idea of family, and the students and faculty are like my extended family.”

Anttonen’s childhood was spent in a coldwater flat with no bath or shower. His family spoke only Finnish and when he started first grade, he couldn’t speak English. At the end of that year, he was in the top reading group and had mastered English so well that he served as the interpreter for his family.

Doc and Judy recently celebrated 45 years of marriage. She is a retired special education teacher. Their daughter, Karen, lives in Idaho, where she homeschools her five children, including two adopted from Korea.

Perhaps Doc’s most notable accomplishment at Millersville is the Exploratory Program, which he started in 1986. Designed to help students find their passion and grow, the program now boasts more than 100 advisors and 700 students.

“Statistics show that 80 percent of college students come [to college] undecided or change their majors. There is no reason to feel bad about being undecided. That’s what college is for,” says Doc.

As he explains, the key is to be flexible, and to be independent learners and critical thinkers. Above all, students need to discover what fuels them, what gets them excited. That’s how they can bridge the gap between being undecided and finding their direction in life.

It’s no wonder that students look up to Doc. He’s proof that finding your passion in life will guide you to the place where you should be.
The television program American Idol has revolutionized the way viewers play a role in determining new recording artists. With Taylor Hicks, the 2006 American Idol winner, appearing as the featured Homecoming entertainment, the Millersville University Alumni Association decided to showcase Millersville talent with a musical competition of its own—’Ville Idol.

Open to all Millersville students and alumni the ’Ville Idol competition got underway in the spring of 2007. Adding to the excitement of the contest was a cash prize of $1,000 for the winners in both the alumni and student categories. An added bonus was an opportunity to perform at the Homecoming concert—opening for Taylor Hicks.

Leslie Barton, a sophomore marketing major, was no stranger to the Idol competition. At age 16, she auditioned for American Idol in Washington, D.C., and made it to Round 3, singing for the famous three judges.

Barton says, “Randy voted for me to move on to Hollywood, but Paula and Simon were both on the fence since I was young. They told me to keep singing and definitely come back. I plan to try out again!”

Throughout the multiple auditions and rounds of performing for the judges and the public, the pool of 52 contestants dwindled.

The winners were determined through their score from the judges in addition to how the audience voted. At each performance, the audience got more and more enthusiastic. They were on their feet for some performances and booing at the judges for their comments on others.

There were tears in the audience when Matthew Hepler ’83 sang Tears in Heaven in honor of his father who had recently passed away.

“My family had to convince me to
enter this competition,” says Hepler, who works as a certified purchasing manager. “My biggest fan at the time was my shower curtain. I had a lot of fun and made many new friends.”

The abundance of musical talent at Millersville University wowed everyone including the winners. And, friendship seemed to be one of the unexpected outcomes that emerged from a very competitive, high stakes event.

“It was a very friendly competition; there was no beauty-pageant complex going on. I didn’t go into it expecting anything, let alone to win,” says Theresa Walker, who was named the winner of ‘Ville Idol in the student category. “Everyone was incredibly talented, which was awesome to see.”

Barton who came in second in the student category agrees, “I loved meeting the other contestants and getting to know them each week offstage as we battled it out on stage for the win. There was so much talent, and I’m so glad I got to be a part of the first ‘Ville Idol.”

“The thing I value the most are the friendships that I made during the competition,” says Walker. “Being a freshman, and a commuter, I don’t really get a chance to spend a lot of time with people outside of class, so it was a great opportunity to get to know a few people really well.”

When the evening of October 12, arrived, the contestants who made it past the semi-final competition appeared on stage for the big announcement.

After alumni association president Dr. Richard L. Frerichs ’64 presented the winning checks, Matthew Hepler and Theresa Walker each gave a rendition of their favorite performance of the competition. Hepler sang, “Fly Me to the Moon” and Walker belted out, “Heartbreaker.” Next on stage was Taylor Hicks!

The Alumni Association opened the stage door to a new tradition and is planning another ‘Ville Idol competition for spring 2009.

Nicole Lutz, a Millersville public relations student, contributed substantially to this article.
A STANDING OVATION:

Millersville University’s Homecoming ‘07

Photos at left, from top to bottom: From dance to international foods, the annual Cultural Showcase was a hit with more than 500 in attendance.

The weather was ideal for the alumni and friends golf outing held at Crossgates Golf Course in Millersville.

Below, right: The big game saw the Marauders fall to Shippensburg University (23-14).

Below: Former women athletes met for a special luncheon reunion during Homecoming.

Alumni gather in remembrance of the 40th anniversary of the Book Walk that took place in 1967. The books were hand carried from the Old Library (Biemesderfer Center) to the then new Helen A. Ganser Library.

The Homecoming celebration won a standing ovation from alumni, students and friends who took part in the many activities over the weekend.
Right: Millersville’s Mu Alpha Kappa (MAK MEN) held a picnic reunion in Biemesderfer Stadium. Plans are underway to gather 200 MAK men at Homecoming 2008.

Below: Boy Scout Troop #268 carried the stars and stripes in the annual Millersville Community Parade which attracted over 2,000 participants.

Junior Matthew Roehrig was a student finalist in the ‘Ville Idol competition (see pages 10-11 for more about this special production).

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Concert
American Idol 2006 Taylor Hicks wowed the crowd with his performance.
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“I never would have imagined that the research would lead directly...”
In the summer of 2005, Dr. Timothy Trussell, assistant professor of anthropology at Millersville University, began exploring an 18th-century ironwork village in Lancaster County, Elizabeth Furnace. “I never would have imagined that the research would lead directly to a large-scale archaeological excavation project in Bermuda,” said Dr. Trussell. “Historical research, however, has a way of taking you in quite unexpected directions, and this is precisely what happened with our project.”

Documents proved that some of the ironwork from Elizabeth Furnace was meant for Atlantic markets, connecting Lancaster County to the Transatlantic Trade Network. In the 18th century, a rich trade network existed between various hubs in colonial North America, such as Philadelphia or the Carolinas, and different locations across the Atlantic, the Caribbean, Africa and Europe. Goods would be traded at the different hubs, and exchanges would be made—for example, Caribbean sugar for Pennsylvania iron, Pennsylvania iron for African slaves. Through this system, members of the Atlantic World could gain access to a great variety of goods and commodities. However, in British colonies such as Bermuda and Pennsylvania, the Navigation Act prevented French and Spanish goods from trade. Thus, for British colonists, access to in-demand illegal goods such as French sugar required smuggling, and an underground trade network formed as a supplement to the legitimate Atlantic trade networks.

Products of the furnace apparently became a part of the trade network. “Again and again, people and ships from Bermuda appeared in the documents, and we realized that Bermudian families and merchant captains formed the nexus of an incredibly complex Atlantic World trade network,” Trussell said. “Understanding the lives, activities, and trade connections of these Bermudian merchant captains had become central to our understanding of how this trade system worked.”

Thus, in the summer of 2007, Trussell formed an archaeological team of six students and two alumni from Millersville University to excavate in Bermuda for six weeks. The visiting Millersville group stayed in a youth hostel on the grounds of the Bermuda Maritime Museum, a partner in the Atlantic World Project, a research project begun by Trussell to use
documentary and archaeological information to look at history in a new way: “Rather than a focus on traditional topics that are usually national or regional histories and are centered on documents, we are looking at the Atlantic World in the 18th century as an interconnected entity and are incorporating archaeological data into our study.”

The group of Millersville students – Sam Shaw, Elizabeth Reichard, Jamie Hippensteel, Hannah Charlton, James Burton and Miles Shugar – worked under Trussell as paid professional archaeologists. Lance Weiler ’06 and Joel Dworsky ’05, employed as lab technicians/researchers for the archaeology department, acted as supervisors of the excavations. Additionally, Alexandria Mairs and Justine Palmer, Millersville students, and Rebecca Horvath ’05 worked with Dr. Clarence Maxwell on a different history project with the Bermuda Maritime Museum.

Maxwell, assistant professor of history at Millersville, and his group examined the role of the Bermudians in the Age of Revolution for the Bermudian government’s Ministry of Cultural Affairs.

“Research is not finished and some of the findings require further examination, but it was clear that the involvement of Bermudians in the Anglo-American revolution was overwhelming,” said Maxwell, a native of Bermuda. He feels that it is important for his students to be engaged in historical research as it provides important materials to assist them in applying to graduate school and helps to build their historical knowledge as practitioners in the field of history. “It was also to show the variety of employments available to historians,” he added. Alexandria Mairs’s findings on how the Bermudian provision of supplies to the North American rebels was vital and in clear violation of British laws will be published in the Bermuda Journal of Archaeology and Maritime History.

The Millersville group shared the space with other visiting students from an international group training to become dolphin trainers, as a small group of dolphins are held with the keep of the museum as an attraction. The museum, located on the western tip of the island, is a converted British naval fort handed over to Bermuda in the 1950s. The museum was approximately half an hour away by bus from the three main excavation sites in Southampton Parish where the Millersville archaeologists hoped to uncover artifacts from the 18th-century that would shed some light on the trade routes and business dealings of the Perot and Dickinson families.

Excavations at the Perot house, formerly owned by James Perot, an 18th-century merchant and gold and silver-
Smith, rendered Spanish coins, French Faience ceramics, German Westervald stoneware and American slipwares. The Rectory, a house once owned by active Bermudian merchant John Dickinson, revealed little to no archaeological findings, as the grounds had not been well-preserved. The Dickinson Storehouse ruins, however, provided a vast amount of archaeological evidence.

The artifacts recovered support Trussell’s theory that people in Bermuda, an English colony, participated in smuggling and illegal trade with the French. “It is always nice when your ideas are supported by what you find!” said Trussell. The collected artifacts were taken to Millersville’s archaeological laboratory for cleaning, processing and preservation, and will be returned in a conserved state to the Bermuda Maritime Museum when the analysis is complete.

While the artifacts may be historically and culturally valuable, the experience gained from the trip proved vital for Miles Shugar, anthropology major with a concentration in archaeology. He gained helpful archaeological professional experience by working six weeks of continuous field work, great experience for any aspiring field technician. “The most valuable thing I have learned this summer is the value of hard work and teamwork,” he said. “Archaeology is hardly ever a singular effort, and a group of people must be coordinated and unified under one research goal in order to best answer the question.”

Trussell understands the value of field experience for the students. “The only way to train a professional archaeologist is in the field—classroom training can only accomplish so much. Our archaeological field schools and research projects allow students in the program to do everything a professional archaeologist does, from testing and excavation to laboratory work and analysis of the artifacts.”

“Through this great opportunity, I have expanded my realm of experience significantly to the international level, which is rare for undergraduates,” explained Shugar. “Building contacts with the Bermuda Maritime Museum was an opportunity which I feel very lucky to have taken advantage of.” Overall, Shugar values his time in Bermuda as both a learning tool, and as a chance to be a part of history. “Through my work in the Atlantic World Project, I feel like I’ve established a foundation for my future archaeological career while having the privilege of contributing to a very important project that will most likely rewrite the history of our country and the various ways its past is connected with the larger world.”

Below the wall of Dickinson’s Storehouse, students scrape the floor of the pit flat in their quest for artifacts.
Alumni Weekend ’08
SPRING BACK TO MILLERSVILLE: APRIL 25-26

Watch your mail for the spring events brochure. You can register for all of the following events online at www.villealumni.com or call the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855.

Highlights include:

**Friday, April 25**

visor. By invitation.

11 a.m. Alumni Memorial Service, Old Main, Gordinier Hall. The nondenominational service will honor alumni who have died over the past year. Guests are invited to stay for lunch. Please contact the Alumni Services office for details.

12 p.m. Alumni Luncheon and Awards Recognition, Lehr Room, Gordinier Hall. All alumni are invited to the annual full-course afternoon luncheon and a University Report by President Francine G. McNairy. SPECIAL NOTE: Alumni who graduated in or prior to May 1958 will receive a complimentary lunch from the MU Alumni Association. For guests and post-1958 alumni, the cost is $15. [Note: the class of 1958 will officially meet during Homecoming Weekend.]

1 – 2 p.m. School of Science & Mathematics Research Recognition Symposium, Caputo Hall, Room 210. Free.

2:30 p.m. Ad Astra Society Reception, Old Main Room, Gordinier. Immediately following the Alumni Luncheon, Alumni and friends who have celebrated their 50th anniversary of graduation from Millersville are cordially invited to this reception. There will be a special pinning ceremony. Free.

2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Campus Tours and Shuttle Service. Free.

2:30 – 4:30 p.m. Stayer Hall Open House & Reception. Join alumni and friends for an afternoon to showcase the new hub of the School of Education. Dean Jane Bray welcomes all former education majors (and other alumni too) to tour the new “green” education building. This new building is located at the former site of Landes Hall.

7 p.m. Black and Gold Football Scrimmage, Chryst Field, Biemesderfer Stadium. For more information, contact Ron Rankin, interim head football coach, at 717-872-3361.

3 – 10 p.m. 33 ½ Reunion (WIXQ Radio) See details on page 19.

**Saturday, April 26**

10 a.m. Honors and Awards Convocation, Pucillo Gymnasium. This event will include the MU Alumni Association’s Distinguished Service Award; Honorary Alumnus Award and other Alumni Association awards and grants; Limited seating; reservations required. Free. Contact the Development Office at 877-872-3820 for details.

3 – 10 p.m. 33 ½ Reunion (WIXQ Radio) See details on page 19.

**Class of 1953**

President Joe Glass invites his classmates to join in celebrating your 55th anniversary with a special luncheon at 12:30 p.m. on April 26. Members of the Class of 1953 alumni are free; guests are $15.

Classmates are also invited to mingle over coffee starting at 9:30 a.m.

The events will be held in the University Room, Gordinier Hall.
WIXQ Reunion - April 26

For the WIXQ reunion on April 26, alumni are encouraged to bring photos, memorabilia and their favorite stories about Doc Roc and their wildest WIXQ memories. Reservations are required.

›› 3-6 p.m. - Tours of the studio and light refreshments. Free.
›› 4-6 p.m. - Doc Roc and Mama do their show
›› 6:30-10 p.m. - Dinner and reunion at the Millersville VFW - $20

ACMO musical & dessert reception on March 29

Join us for a performance of the All Campus Musical Organization (ACMO) production of Once Upon a Mattress on March 29. We’ll kick off the evening with a dessert reception in Lyle Hall Parlor at 6 p.m. and proceed to Lyte Auditorium/Alumni Hall for the 8 p.m. performance.

For the price of $17, you will be able to partake in delectable desserts, enjoy reserved seating at the performance and share a special evening with fellow alumni while applauding our talented students. Once Upon a Mattress is an adaptation of the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, The Princess and the Pea.

Without giving away any of the story, suffice it to say that everyone, in classic fairy-tale tradition, lives happily ever after.

Nominations for alumni awards

The Alumni Association is preparing for its annual awards for highly acclaimed services by outstanding alumni and community members that contribute in significant ways to Millersville University. The Alumni Association accepts nominations from Millersville alumni, businesses and friends.

The awards include:

Distinguished Service

The Distinguished Service Award is the most prestigious award bestowed upon an alumnus/na by the Millersville University Alumni Association. This award, established in 1971, is given to a living alumni member who is a graduate of Millersville University and who has been distinguished in such a way as to bring honor to the individual, to the University and/or the MU Alumni Association. You may nominate an alumnus/na by submitting a letter of recommendation to the alumni office no later than March 14, 2008. The letter should outline the individual’s achievements in detail: service qualifications (including location and length of service), how the service was accomplished, a thorough description of relevant achievements and a summary of the nominee’s achievement.

The recommendations should specify what beneficial impact the nominee’s service had on the Millersville University Alumni Association and the University. Also included may be additional materials to substantiate the value of service. A photograph (if available) is encouraged.

Honorary Alumnus/na

The Honorary Alumnus/na Award, established in 1993, is given to a living person who is not classified as an alumnus/na of Millersville University, per University policy, but who has performed continuous service or made a significant contribution of time, talent or wealth to the University.

Nominations should include detailed information concerning the individual’s service, and must be submitted to the alumni office by March 14, 2008, for consideration. We are certain you know several deserving individuals that meet and even exceed these criteria.

Recipients of both awards will be honored during the annual University Honors and Awards Convocation of Alumni Weekend on April 26, 2008, and at the All-Alumni Luncheon.

Submit nominations to: Alumni Services Office, Millersville University, P.O. Box 1002, Millersville, PA 17551-0302. For additional details, please call 800-681-1855 or 717-872-3352.

Interested in serving on the alumni board?

Did you appreciate the education that you received from Millersville University? Do you want to be an agent of change for the future of the alumni association while connecting with current students? Do you have leadership skills, enthusiasm, creativity and vision?

Whether you live locally or across the nation, you may be the next board member we are seeking. If you are interested, know of a candidate or would like to hear more about this opportunity, please contact Dianne O’Connor at the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855.

Nominations must be received no later than March 14, 2008. Elections will be held during the April 2008 board of directors meeting.
Tennis reunion wrap-up
Alumni of all ages came together on Saturday, October 20, to celebrate their favorite game – tennis! Coach Shari Bucklin-Webber and members of the current Millersville tennis team socialized with former tennis players and shared a (windy) picnic lunch by the McComsey courts. Old friendships and championships were remembered, and round robin style tennis was played. It was a reunion these alumni enjoyed so much they want to do it again next year! We hope you’ll join us in 2008.

A Dickens of a Christmas event
One hundred alumni, their families and friends came for the “Dickens of a Christmas” event at the Mount Hope Estate Mansion on December 2. The Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire actors were in fine form and put on an excellent show including holiday songs, dances and stories, including A Christmas Carol.
Several alumni came to the Swashbuckler Brew Pub prior to the show for a dessert reception sponsored by the Lancaster branch committee of the alumni association. Alumni and guests mingled over treats and shared their favorite holiday memories.

An afternoon filled with holiday cheer, chocolate, wine and cheese. What could have been better?

Mary Louise (Rhoads) Leeper ’64 and Rebecca Anne Brown ’72 were ready to enjoy the holiday season.

Kudos Korner
A heart felt thank you to the following alumni who helped us with many activities throughout the fall. We couldn’t have done it without you! The events included ‘Ville Idol, Homecoming, Career Services alumni panel, Legacy Breakfast, Dickens Christmas, inaugurations and more.
Would you like to see your name mentioned here? Sign up to volunteer today! Contact us at: mualumni@millersville.edu and write “I want to see my name in lights!”

Ray Antonelli ’83
Lori Burkholder ’89
Carol Beamesderfer ’65
William ’84 & Elaine Benner
Kathy Brabson ’70
Gina Crawford ’96
Christine Culp ’03
Lori Dierolf ’91
Dominick DiNunzio ’53
Art Drescher ’64
Stacey Fink ’72
Richard Frerichs ’64
Michelle Gallo ’92
Don Geiter ’95
Ben Gorman ’00
Mike Henry ’83
David Hernandez ’71
Joyce Herr ’80
Amy Hoffman ’94
Herb Karlip ’64
Patricia Kline ’87
Bob ’57 & Mary Lehr ’58
Joe Lisi ’64
Phil Loht ’65
Bill Martin ’81
Gerald Nau ’74
Domenic Panza ’06
Stephen Powell ’72
Mike Reintjes ’01
Bill Romans ’57
Merle ’59 & Donna Schnee
Jen Strobel ’95
Cheryl Youtz ’69
Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY
16 “MU On The Road” alumni Event, Venice, Florida, Venice Yacht Club, 12 p.m.

MARCH
8 Destinations Travel: A Chorus Line and Mary Poppins, New York City

For the latest calendar of events, check out the Alumni home page www.villealumni.com

APRIL
15 Hershey Bears hockey game and reception, 5:30 p.m. - reception, 7:05 p.m. - game
12-4/2 PASSHE Alumni & Friends Travel Program: Australia/New Zealand cruise & land tour
26 Alumni Weekend at Millersville (see details on page 18)
29 Once Upon A Mattress ACMO musical and alumni dessert reception, Lyle Parlor/Lyte Auditorium 6 p.m./8 p.m.

Career Services benefits for alumni

Alumni from all classes are able to use the services at the Career Services office. Some of their benefits include:

» Free career counseling for the first three years after graduation (then a nominal fee is charged). Counseling includes job search and graduate school assistance, resume critiques and mock interviews.

» Access to the career library

» Online employer search

» Job fairs & expos

» Teacher Recruitment Day

To learn more about these and other Career Services benefits, call 717-872-3312 or visit their website at www.millersville.edu/~careersv

On April 23, a Career Services Job Expo will be held in Reighard Multipurpose Room, Student Memorial Center, between 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Technology Educators Association luncheon

Camp Hill was the site again this year for the Technology Educators Association of Pennsylvania conference in November. Dean Jane Bray and Dr. Perry Gemmill, along with the Alumni Association, hosted an alumni luncheon where alumni, graduate assistants and student teachers gathered.

Gary R. Landis ’73 attended the luncheon along with his son, John, who is currently a technology education major at Millersville.

Save the Date

Mark your calendars for Millersville’s Homecoming!

Join us the weekend of November 1, 2008.

Note: This is a change from October 18.

Seeking all Greek organization alumni

Bob Wunder ’76, Frank Mela ’76 and Rich Nickel ’76 of Sigma Tau Gamma cordially invite all Greek organizations to join them for a Homecoming 2008 reunion. We are looking for members of other sororities and fraternities to join Bob, Frank and Rich with the planning of this reunion. This will be a great time to join with current pledge sisters and brothers and catch up with fellow alumni.

If you are interested in helping with the planning of this event, please contact the Alumni Services office at mualumni@millersville.edu.

Do we have your email address?

The Alumni Services Office spent over $69,000 on postage in the 2006-07 fiscal year. Imagine what we would save if we could email all of our alumni about events. If you aren’t currently hearing about alumni events via email, please send your email address to us at mualumni@millersville.edu today! Please make sure to include your full name and class year in the email.

In the future, we 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.
2008 PASSHE trips

The PASSHE Alumni & Friends Travel Programs are open to system alumni, faculty/staff, retirees and family and friends of the community. Prices are per person, based on double occupancy.

›› March 12 - April 2: Australia/New Zealand (land and cruise). Included: Sydney, Auckland; Melbourne; Tasmania; Dunedin, Christchurch and Tauranga. Pricing begins at $3,075 (not including air). An optional tour of Cairns/Great Barrier Reef is available.

›› June 28 – July 5: Canada/New England Cruise. Discover North America’s most scenic, historic and culturally rich region on a Canada and New England cruise. Perfect for family vacations, this cruise features historic seaports, dazzling cities and unforgettable sea life. The Maasdam is designed to carry fewer guests while providing them with more space for maximum comfort. Many staterooms feature commanding ocean views and each of the suites has a private verandah. Ports of call are Montreal, Quebec City, Charlottetown, Sydney, Halifax, Bar Harbor and Boston.

Pricing begins at $1,348 for the cruise, government fees (subject to change) and transfers. Airfare and an optional two-night pre-cruise hotel package in Montreal are not included; please call for prices.

›› August 6-16: Hawaii Sail aboard the Pride of America. Roundtrip from Honolulu to the breathtaking islands of Kauai, Maui, Oahu and The Big Island. There’s no need to choose an island to visit, this cruise will take you to four of Hawaiis islands!

Before the seven-night cruise, travelers enjoy two nights at the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort & Spa in Honolulu. Ports of call are Honolulu, Hilo, Kona, Maui and Kauai.

Prices start at $2,368 and include the two-night pre-cruise hotel package in Honolulu. Also included are taxes and government fees (subject to change), all transfers, air from Philadelphia, Pittsburgh or Harrisburg (subject to change). Airfare from other cities is available; please call for prices.

›› September 29 – October 11: Black Sea/Holy Lands: Discover the magic of the Mediterranean. Walk in the footsteps of ancient Egyptians, Greeks and Romans and marvel at the accomplishments of the Renaissance philosophers and artists. Shop for treasures in silver, gold, leather and ceramics. Bask in the warmth and beauty of the Mediterranean’s coastline and countryside. Ports of call include: Athens/Piraeus, Istanbul, Varna, Odessa, Constanta, Haifa (Tel Aviv) and Limassol - Alexandria (Cairo).

Starting at $3,442, prices include cruise, transfers and air from Philadelphia. Airfare is available from Harrisburg at $140 per person additional and from Pittsburgh at $50 per person additional. Government and air taxes of $166 (subject to change) are not included.

For more information on the trips, contact Cruisin’ Inc./Main Line Vacations at 800-506-7447 or www.alumnivacations.com.

Alumni enjoy Alaska

In August 2007, more than 90 PASSHE alumni and friends gathered in Seattle, Wash., to meet Holland American's Amsterdam cruise ship for a seven-day cruise of the inner harbor of Alaska. Ports of call included Sitka, Tracy Arms, Ketchikan and Victoria, British Columbia.

The weather was unusually sunny with highs in the 70s. Natives were actually swimming in 50+ degree lakes. They thought it was so warm, while the PASSHE tourists donned long pants and jackets. PASSHE guests were treated to a Bald Eagle preservation, sights of beautiful glaciers and canoeing in Ketchikan.

Check out the 2008 schedule of PASSHE trips (at left). It is a terrific opportunity to travel with fellow alumni and friends from our sister state system schools and make new friends.
Legacy breakfast

Each year the Alumni Association hosts a very special event in which alumni and their children who are currently enrolled at Millersville University gather together during Family Day for what is known as the Legacy Breakfast.

More than seventy people gathered on November 10. It was a drizzly gray day, but the atmosphere was sunny and bright inside Biemesderfer Center as guests enjoyed breakfast goodies and heard remarks from President Francine McNairy and Dr. Richard Frerichs ’64, president of the alumni association.

This popular event brings together parents who have passed their love for Millersville onto their heirs. It is so enjoyable to listen to past tales of socialization and fun as they are shared from generation to generation – all while new memories are being made by future alumni.

If you are an alumnus with children attending Millersville, plan to join us for Family Day 2008.

MUAA benefits and services

As one of Millersville University’s 52,000 alumni you are entitled to a variety of products and services. Some are at no cost and will help generate revenue for the alumni association to help cover costs for alumni programming.

Current benefits and services include the following:
• Exclusive Alumni Online Community. This is a password-protected site where you can register for events, submit class notes, upload photos, make changes to the alumni directory and more!
• VISA credit card with US Bank. Great rewards, no annual fee and a choice between the swans or Biemesdefer picture on your card. This is the only credit card that supports the MU Alumni Association. Every dollar you spend generates money for alumni events and programs.
• Special rates on auto, renters and homeowners insurance with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company.
• Short-term medical health insurance with GradMed. This is a great program for new graduates.
• Long-term care with Personal Health Services.
• Millersville University license plates (Pa. residents only). A portion of sales goes directly to the alumni association for programming.
• Rental of Gordinier Dining Hall for parties, weddings, meetings or conferences.
• Travel programs with MUs Destinations Travel or the Pennsylvania State System Alumni & Friends Travel Program.
• Transcript services.
• Career services.
• Alumni Legacy Scholarship.
• MUAA-sponsored events both on and off campus.

And of course, the Review magazine! Did you know the section first read in the Review is Class Notes? Submit your information today!

For more information on these services, please call the Alumni Services office at 800-681-1855 or visit the MU alumni website at www.villealumni.com.

Go to New York City with Millersville

Join Destinations Travel Program for a day trip to New York City in 2008.

›› March 8 - A Chorus Line – $135 and Mary Poppins – $160
›› April 26 - Grease – $180 and Hairspray – $140
›› 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. Detailed overviews of each show can be found on 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.

The Gwyn family attended the legacy breakfast: Dann Gwyn ’79, daughter Adrienne, who is a student at Millersville, and wife Debbie.
Hall of Fame inductees

The Millersville University Athletic Hall of Fame inducted six new members on October 12, 2007, during Homecoming weekend.

Scott Martin ’93 – football and wrestling – was a four-year letterman for the football team. Martin played on the 1990 and 1993 Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division championships teams. He was named All-PSAC Eastern Division first team three times and All-ECAC Division II twice.

As a wrestler, Martin spent two years on the team. He placed third at the 1991 NCAA Division I East Regionals.

A free agent in 1994, he signed with the New York Giants and also played two seasons in the Arena Football League. Martin worked as a juvenile justice coordinator and officer for the Lancaster County Youth Intervention Center. In November 2007, he was elected a Lancaster County Commissioner.

Oliver Merrill ’91 – tennis – was a two-time All-American tennis player while at Millersville – for doubles in 1987 and as a singles player in 1989. He was a three-time PSAC singles champion and a two-time PSAC doubles champion. In 1989, he was named the PSAC men’s tennis athlete of the year. Among the records he holds, Merrill is first at Millersville in career singles wins (95), third in doubles wins (67). He is the tennis professional at Racquet Club West in Lancaster.

Henry Odi ’81, ’83M – soccer – was a four-time All-PSAC Eastern Division team selection in soccer. He was the team’s leading scorer for four years, a team captain for three years and the team MVP for two years.

In 1995, he earned a doctorate in education from Lehigh University and has been a faculty member at Lehigh for 17 years.

He co-founded the Lehigh Valley Science and Engineering Research Fair. Odi is the director of the STAR Academy, a partnership program for middle and high school students.

Nicole Boyer Salinsky ’97 – lacrosse – was a three-time consensus USWL/NCAA first team All-American. During her senior year, Salinsky was an USWL/NCAA first team All-American, PSAC women’s lacrosse athlete of the year, PSAC first team, MVP of the ECAC Division II Championship Game and team captain. She ranks seventh on the all-time career goals list (114) and 10th in career points (135). Salinsky is a day-care center operator in Cape May, N.J.

Kellie Boozer Stover ’91 – cross country and track – is a two-time cross country NCAA All-American (1988 and 1989). She earned NCAA All-East Region honors three times. In 1990, she was a PSAC champion and a three-time All-PSAC runner. In indoor track, Stover was the ECAC Division II champion in the 3,000 and 5,000 meter runs.

In 1991, Stover earned All-American honors in the 10,000 meter run at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships and won the PSAC championship in the 5,000 meter run. She earned All-PSAC honors in the 5,000 meter run (three times), the 3,000 meter run (two times) and the 10,000 meter run (one time). She holds the Millersville record for the 10,000 meter run with a time of 36:39.48.

Stover is an environmental science teacher for the Derry Township School District in Hershey.

Walter Waetjen ’42 – football and track – was inducted posthumously. A star tackle for Millersville State Teachers College, he played on the undefeated 1940 team. He was named the outstanding senior athlete in 1942.

In 1939, he was the Golden Gloves light heavyweight boxing champion. From 1942 to 1946, Waetjen played in the National Football League for the Detroit Lions and the Philadelphia Eagles.

A distinguished scholar, Waetjen was president emeritus of Cleveland State University. He died in 1997.
It’s been quite a year for Kia Damon ’97, an assistant coach for the Lady Lions. Not only did first-year Penn State women’s basketball coach Coquese Washington invite Damon to join the Nittany Lion coaching staff, but Damon was also able to reunite with Millersville head coach Mary Fleig when the Marauders visited State College for an October 31 exhibition game.

Though Millersville lost to Penn State 82-41 in the exhibition, Fleig says she was happy that her players “didn’t back down on a big court. I thought my kids did an excellent job of going up there and not being intimidated.”

When you throw in a pep talk to the team from Damon, who ranks ninth in Millersville history in 3-point field goals made (77), and a tour of Beaver Stadium, Fleig called the trip “one of my all-time, favorite coaching experiences.” It was a special time for Damon also.

“It was really fun,” Damon says. “I was quickly reminded of the fact that I’m getting old. I told the girls about my experiences post-college, and the players told me stories about Coach Fleig and [assistant coach Darlene Newman]. I found myself thinking, ‘boy have they softened up over the years.’”

After the players talked with Damon, who was co-captain of the basketball team during her senior year, the group ran into Penn State sports information director Tim Curley, who quickly arranged the impromptu tour of Beaver Stadium. “Some of the kids had never been there,” Fleig says, “They’d only seen it on TV.”

Damon is beginning to feel comfortable in her new home. “I’m really enjoying my time in Happy Valley,” she says. “Penn State reminds me a lot of Millersville. The people here are warm, and they want to do whatever they can to help you out.”

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**Nominations sought for 2008 Hall of Fame**

Want to see a former Millersville athlete, coach or alumnus inducted into the Hall of Fame in October? It all starts with the nomination. Forms are available on the athletic website, or by calling Pete Strella, interim sports information director, at 717-872-3100 or emailing him at sportsinfo@millersville.edu.

A list of past Hall of Fame inductees and their accomplishments can be viewed on the Marauders athletics website.

A person will be considered eligible for nomination to the Millersville University Athletic Hall of Fame if he/she fulfills one of the following criteria. (There is a five-year “waiting” period from when an athlete or alumnus received his/her first degree from the University.)

- **Athlete.** The individual participated in a varsity sport at Millersville University for two years and earned a baccalaureate degree from the University.
- **Alumni.** The individual has made an outstanding contribution or offered extraordinary service to Millersville athletics while as an undergraduate or since leaving the University.
- **Other.** The individual did not attend Millersville University but has made significant contributions to athletics and has not been employed by the University for at least five years. This category may include, but is not limited to, coaches, trainers, administrators and faculty.

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**Journey to Happy Valley**

The Marauders women’s basketball team enjoy a tour of Penn State’s Beaver Stadium when they visited State College for an exhibition game.

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**MILLERSVILLE ATHLETICS**

For a complete listing of athletic schedules and game results, visit [www.millersville.edu/~athletic](http://www.millersville.edu/~athletic) or call the 24-hour hotline: 717-871-2111
At only 5’5” tall, Jenna Philo has proved that she can hold her own on the court as a Marauders point guard.

She first started playing basketball at six years old. “I always loved playing basketball, but if it wasn’t basketball it would be another sport. I played everything growing up except cheerleading. I played field hockey, fast pitch (even though I didn’t like it), I threw the javelin and played baseball with the boys,” says Philo.

“There wasn’t a time when I wasn’t playing sports, but for me, basketball was always everything.”

Philo worked as a teacher’s assistant at Project Forward Leap this past summer. The organization works to narrow the gap of academic achievement and developmental opportunities between disadvantaged children and their advantaged peers. Philo says, “I was around them so much that I really got to know them not only as students, but as all around individuals. It was great to see their potential in the program.”

Her teammates deemed her the jokester, where her positive attitude makes everybody laugh. But her own life has not been without personal pain.

“My mom just passed away two and half years ago, and my dad has always been there for me,” says Philo. “Also, my best friend’s mom, Betty Daniels, has been like a second mom to me. She has been there spiritually for me every day, and I am thankful for that.”

An alumnus of Lancaster’s J.P. McCaskey High School, Philo is majoring in psychology and has minors in both athletic coaching and criminology. She plans to attend graduate school for education because her mother, Nancy H. Philo ‘80M, received her master’s degree from Millersville in special education.

Throughout life’s ups and downs, Philo has overcome many challenges. She credits her parents with instilling her morals and values. She also looks up to athletes who have struggled to get where they are today. “Every athlete has their own story, and the ones who have persevered are the ones to admire. There are single mothers who are in the WNBA. There are athletes that have persevered through adversity, such as Lance Armstrong. I know that nothing in life is guaranteed, and you need to take advantage of every opportunity. I learned that from my mom and I have faith in God. I don’t regret anything in life and I take everything as a lesson learned.”

**Easter Seals kids visit football players**

On the second annual Easter Seals Football Day at Millersville on November 3, a dozen children shared a special experience with the University’s football players.

Members of the football team and the kids from Easter Seals joked around with each other, played two-handed touch football and catch on the field. Everyone enjoyed a pizza party in the locker room before the game. “We had an incredible experience with the football team. They are a great group of guys that were very open to our participants and their needs,” reports Ashley Perigo, certified therapeutic recreation specialist at the south central region office of Easter Seals in York.

“Our participants do not get a lot of opportunities to experience something like this, so it is a great way for them to play around on the field and learn about football. They love the feeling of being on the football field with an actual football team.”

The kids stayed to watch the game and cheered the Marauders on to victory (16-0) over Cheyney University.
Men’s soccer team recycles equipment for African athletes

The sport of soccer boasts millions of fans worldwide. With this love for the game in mind, the Millersville University men’s soccer team donated 62 of its old practice soccer balls to villages in Africa. Without the money or resources to provide sports equipment, many African athletes will now have real soccer balls to kick around.

“Currently the kids [in Africa] use a bag filled with grass to play soccer, which obviously does not last long or make playing very easy,” said Steve Widdowson, Millersville’s head men’s soccer coach. “When they get supplies like this, it is like getting gold to them, and they are able to make great use of equipment that would otherwise be thrown away.”

Jim Bailey, chair of the Missionary Support Team of New Holland Mennonite Church, helped get the Millersville men’s soccer team involved. “Recently Todd Hoffard, owner of One-on-One Soccer, alerted me that the coach of the Millersville soccer team had [a quantity of] soccer balls available for donation.”

When he visited Millersville to receive the balls, Bailey says, he “became aware how involved the whole team was about this donation.”

“It is important that our program and school give back to the community whether that be locally or internationally,” said Widdowson. “I believe in providing community service as a collegiate athletic program as it teaches our players from an early age that community service and helping others is both valuable and necessary.”

Widdowson - PSAC coach of the year

Millersville’s men’s soccer coach Steve Widdowson has been named Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Coach of the Year.

Widdowson, who just completed his first season as head coach, ended the season with 11 wins and a slot in the playoffs.

“This is obviously a tremendous honor and I am excited and thrilled to receive it,” said Widdowson, a native of Sheffield, England. “However, I truly regard this as a team award.”

Widdowson adds, “The team showed great professionalism and character throughout the season and earned a lot of respect for their conduct on and off the field.”

At age 15, Widdowson joined the Barnsley Professional Football Club of the English Championship. In 1994, he moved to the United States to play at Rutgers University. He ranks second all-time in saves at Rutgers.

Bailey became interested in the project in 2000, when a member of his church started a Christian ministry in West African countries of Gambia and Guinea Bissau. The mission project encourages the village youth in their passion for soccer. Other elements of the program relate to agriculture, literacy, community gardens and church development.

Bailey met the village soccer team when visiting Gambia a few years ago. He says, “I was asked to play with them using a grass-stuffed plastic bag for the soccer ball. I did not, however, play bare-footed as they did. It was through this experience that I was determined to look into supplying soccer balls to these teams. I have sent soccer balls over to these countries two or three times with missionary teams in the past four years.”

“This is the second community service project my team has been involved with this fall, and it is good to see these young players being involved in this kind of work,” said Widdowson. “It is rewarding to be able to support people who need help.”
1950s

**Class of 1953** - Join your classmates on April 26 at Alumni Weekend. See age 18.

**1960s**

Patricia (Shilling) Cassell ’61, Atlantic City, N.J., retired after 40 years of teaching. She was recognized by the Association of Christian Schools International for 30 years of service.

Henry J. Demito ’63, Worcester, was inducted into the Kennedy Kenrick Catholic High School Hall of Fame for his outstanding accomplishments as a student athlete, coach and teacher.

1970s

John H. Bricker III ’71, Harrisburg, participated in his 33rd consecutive WalkAmerica. Based on the amount of money he raised, he was recognized as the top walker in Pennsylvania and number 20 in the nation. A retired math teacher from Central Dauphin School District, he has raised over $355,000 for the March of Dimes.

Diane (Alexander) Bridi ’71, Ambler, retired from teaching with the Bensalem Township School District for 31 years. She continues with the district as a consultant.

Mary Ann Gerber ’67, Millersville, was elected as the Register of Wills for Lancaster County. She is an attorney and, previously served as president of the Millersville Borough Council.

Mary Jo (Esterline) Taylor ’67, Lansdowne, retired in June 2007 after 40 years teaching.

Anthony F. Zaya ’68, Lititz, had his company, Lancaster County Timber Frames, Inc., named to the 2007 Inc. Magazine’s list of the 5,000 fastest growing companies in America.

William M. Pezza ’69, Bristol, retired as teacher, administrator and social studies curriculum advisor at Lower Moreland High School.

Robert J. Trout ’69, Myerstown, completed Drumbeat, his first work of fiction. He has written and published seven books about the Civil War.

James J. Madgey ’69/’73M, Lewes, Del., retired with 35 years of service from the School District of Philadelphia, as director of school support for the Southwest region. He is now working as a flight attendant for U.S. Airways.

Raymond E. Janifer ’71, Fayetteville, was promoted to professor of English and ethnic studies at Shippensburg University.

Lynda (O’Byrne) Randall ’71, York, currently serves as vice president of New Level Advisors, LLC as a consultant, trainer and facilitator and is the program director for the J.D. Brown Center for Entrepreneurship at York College.

Betsy (Lape) Saul ’71, Wernersville, retired from Conrad Weiser School District after 35 years of teaching.

Keith Gingrich ’72, Carlisle, retired after 35 years of service as the director of tourism grants and finance for the Pennsylvania Tourism Office.

Charles R. “Bob” Hanna ’72, Camp Hill, retired from the Northern York County School District after 35 years as a middle school math teacher and 20 years as the school’s MathCounts coach.

Michael P. Panarella ’72, Medford, N.J., was named to the Courier-Post All-Century team as a former star athlete at Pennsauken High and as a coach of the Shawnee High swim team.

James R. Ketner ’74, Pottsville, was appointed principal of Blue Mountain High School. He previously served the district as director of curriculum.

Carl Wytovich ’74, Lancaster, received a fourth inclusion in Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers eleventh edition. He has taught fifth grade at Price Elementary for 34 years.

Linda (Schollenberg) Devlin ’75, Forked River, N.J., an educator at Lacey Middle School, traveled to Tokyo to participate in the Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program. The program promotes greater intercultural understanding between the U.S. and Japan.

Jean Heyward ’76, Yeadon, is co-owner of the Caring Heart Child Care Center.

Douglas H. Zima ’77, Lancaster, serves as a shift leader for Northwest EMS. In April 2007, he was also named education coordinator.

Carole (Campbell) Kelsall ’78, Lancaster, became principal of Garden Spot High School. She started her career at the district 28 years ago as a middle school math teacher.

John Toomey ’78, Pottsville, was inducted into the Allen-Rogowicz Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame for his achievements as a three-sport (football, basketball and baseball) athlete at Nativity High.

Raymond “R.J.” Rychleski ’79, Silver Spring, Md., serves as special teams coordinator, tight end and halfback coach for the University of Maryland football team. In 2006, the team won the Champs Sports Bowl over Purdue University.

1980s

Donald J. Humphrey ’80, Shillington, was inducted into the Wyoming Seminary Varsity Club Sports Hall of Fame for his accomplishments as a football player.

Donna (Neidigh) Hershey, RN, MSN, CRNP ’81, Elizabethtown, was chosen the new commander of the 2290th United States Army Hospital. She presented “Adventures in Afghanistan” as guest speaker for Millersville University’s Homecoming Distinguished Lecture in Nursing.

Melinda Zimmerman ’81, Lititz, joined Coldwell Banker as a sales associate at their Ephrata office.

Robert Hammond ’82, Severn, Md., graduated from University of Phoenix in March 2007 with a master’s degree in business administration.

Patricia Maloney ’84, York, was named assistant superintendent of York Suburban School District.
It started out as a group of guys just fooling around in Henry Kauffman’s metal shop. They’d do their best barbershop quartet routine, and in the evenings would try to impress the ladies by standing outside Old Main – until the dean of women chased them away. Dubbing themselves the “Crystal Quartet,” they never thought that a little goofing around would propel them into the national spotlight.

Charles K. Emery ’52, Harold “Hank” Huber ’51 (who died in 1989), Robert Scholl ’51 and William A. Wenker ’52 found themselves in New York City following a string of local talent shows and performances, including reunions, retirement dinners and service group meetings. One particular booking, a county fair competition, promised the winner a trip to the big city to perform on the Ted Mack Original Amateur Hour – the American Idol of the 1950s.

Upon arriving in New York, the guys traveled to the top of the Empire State Building and sang “Coney Island Babe,” which prompted an invitation of an impromptu appearance on a radio quiz show on which they won door chimes and trousers for their performance. Then, they were off to Ted Mack for their television debut.

Wearing striped jackets and straw hats, the quartet was up against, among others, accordionist Dick Cantino. Cantino had won the previous two shows, and if he won this third performance he would be named grand champion. The boys from Millersville were a bit nervous, as they were asked to stand differently than they were accustomed to, and play with a piano.

“In a quartet, you were used to hearing who was to your left and right, but they wanted us to stand differently which threw us off,” recalls Wenker.

Students stayed up all night to vote for the local celebrities, a task that was done via handwritten postcards.

Cantino ended up winning, and went on to national fame. The Millersville fellows, however, went on to local fame and were the biggest thing on campus since sliced bread. The memories made during the quartet’s 15 minutes of fame lasted a lifetime. During their first night in the hotel, Wenker remembers, “In the middle of the night, Emery jumped on top of me yelling, ‘they’re bombing New York!’ in response to a nightmare brought upon by air raid shelter signs among the sidewalks in the city.”

It was a memorable weekend, and one that the dean of women certainly could not take away from them.

Crystal Quartet - Ted Mack Show

Peter A. Kroehler ’85, Partlow, Va., took part in an excavation of one of the largest and most complete dinosaur bones found in Maryland. He is a preparator with the Smithsonian Institute.

Amy (Haverstick) Selheimer ’85, Newark, Del., completed her National Boards for Professional Teaching Standard certification. She teaches fifth grade at Thurgood Marshall Elementary.

Tammi L. (Martin) Florio ’86, Thornton, was appointed elementary literacy and social studies coordinator for the West Chester Area School District.

J. Edward Foley ’86, Charlotte, N.C., became director of flying/chief pilot for the Memphis-based Pinnacle Airlines, Inc.

Irene E. (Campbell) Lefever ’87, Holtwood, was hired as a physics and science teacher at Solanco High School. She spent ten years as a research chemist and previously taught at the Academy of Notre Dame du Namur.

William H. Myers III ’87, Dover, was named pastor of Faxon-Kenmar United Methodist Church. He also serves as a video production consultant for Media Ministries.

Stephen J. Galambos ’88, Spring City, earned a master’s degree in counseling and clinical health psychology at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Joseph M. Snedeker ’88, Jermyn, completed a 500-mile charity bike ride for St. Joseph’s Center in Scranton. In the ten years he has been participating in the bike ride event, he has raised more than a million dollars. He is the morning meteorologist on WNEP-TV.

Stacie (Ringo) Bardell ’89, Lancaster, was named assistant principal of Ephrata Middle School.
1990s

Russell R. Blake ’90, Millersville, was named first vice president of Millersville Lions of District 14-D.

Jill (Zvaigzne) Suddendorf ’90, Milford, Ohio, displayed her jewelry line, Ze, at Village Boutique in Neffsville.


Todd W. Walter ’91, Landisville, was promoted to senior public relations account manager at Godfrey.

Chad B. Foster ’92, Washington, D.C., was appointed and sworn in as an assistant attorney general with the Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia in Washington, D.C.

Colleen L. (Carr) Meyers ’92, Cranbury, N.J., was named co-director of the New Jersey All Star Cheerleading Team for the annual NY-NJ Football Classic.

Cathy Busha ’93, Tucson, Ariz., was hired as the new director of the LGBTQ Affairs at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

Scott Martin ’93, Lancaster, was elected a Lancaster County Commissioner and began serving his term in January 2008.

Andrew Olenik ’93, Lancaster, was named vice president of sales for Rave Wireless, Inc., a technology firm specializing in mobile applications for higher education institutions.

Jeffrey A. Wargo ’93, Riegelsville, authored *More Ghosts in the ‘Ville: Continued Tales of the Unexplained in Riegelsville*, his second book of ghost tales for the area.

Making toys for needy tots

Thomas Chieffo ’99 spends his days in a wood technology classroom, surrounded by table saws and heavy equipment. However, his compassionate nature is evident in a major project his wood technology classes take on each year – designing and creating toys for the U.S. Marines Toys for Tots campaign.

At the beginning of every school year, Chieffo approaches his classes at Council Rock South High School in Bucks County, Pa., with the idea. “They go nuts over it!” he remarks excitedly. “This works out great for the community while tying the project into the curriculum.”

Every year, the classes make children-sized riding toys – rocking horses, followed by dog scooters, motorcycles and helicopters. For Christmas 2007, it was airplanes (see student holding one of the toys). About 40 students made 100 airplane toys. Usually a week before Christmas, Marines from the local Toys for Tots chapter in Willow Grove arrive in a helicopter to pick up the toys.

So how did this idea come to fruition? When Chieffo was a student at Council Rock High School, he took part in a similar charity event under the direction of Mr. Ed Canning, his technology teacher, who became Chieffo’s mentor and friend.

“When I went back to Council Rock to teach, I revisited the idea.” With guidance from Canning, Chieffo revived the tradition of the charitable drive which has grown significantly into a community event.
Real life hero

How many people can say that they saved someone’s life?
Mark Sellers ’85 can. In November, he rescued a 17-year-old Lancaster boy from a burning car. Still, the Glaxo Smith Kline research executive is reticent about being called a hero.

“I did what I had to do,” he says. “That’s all.” For his wife, Tara, and children, Joslin, 13; Andrew, 10; and Thomas, 7, it was much more than that. The family had just finished dinner at a Lancaster restaurant on November 17, and were making their way home when they saw a bright light and flash ahead.

A teenage boy had driven off the road, where he hit a utility pole that sent a huge 600-pound electrical transformer crashing onto the roof of his Volkswagen Jetta. Electrical wires were everywhere and sparks were flying. Mark jumped out of his minivan and approached the car. Other people who came upon the scene warned him to not touch the boy’s car, fearing Mark would be electrocuted.

The boy struggled to get out, but couldn’t. Sirens wailed in the distance; help was on the way. Then Mark saw the fire. “The engine compartment was on fire. There wasn’t time. If I didn’t do something, the boy would die.”

Mark ran his hand over the car to see if he felt any electricity. He tried to open the door and the handle broke off. Next he tried to break the window by kicking it in, but couldn’t. Next he tried the back door and it opened. Mark grabbed the boy and dragged him away, as the fire swept over the car. Away from the burning car, Mark covered the teenager with his sports coat until the rescue crews arrived.

The boy suffered a broken leg and other minor injuries. The next day, the boy’s father called Mark from the hospital to thank him for saving his son. Since then the two families have met and now share a special bond.

“I’m very proud of my Dad. He saved that boy and he is a hero to all of us,” says Joslin.

“Sometimes when I go to bed at night, I think of what I did and that the boy is alive. And I feel so grateful that I had that opportunity,” says Mark.

Kirsten N. Keim-Shendge ’94, Birdsboro, was named marketing and communications director for the Reading-Berks Association of Realtors and the Buyers Real Estate Weekly, Wyomissing.

Steven N. DeRise ’95, Manheim, was appointed retail market manager for Commerce Bank/ Harrisburg.

Jennifer Kembring-Cobler ’95, Blacklick, Ohio, will have two works of art published in a book called 1000 Journals and one photograph included in the International Book of Photography.

John Mason ’95, Lancaster, received a Mid-Atlantic Emmy Award for his production of a special on Teachers Impact Awards.

Colleen (Carr) Milligan ’95, Millersville, was elected president of the YWCA of Lancaster Board of Directors. She previously served as vice president of policy.

Todd Fischer ’96, Lancaster, joined American Home Bank as a business banking credit analyst.

Scott A. Keddie ’96, Lancaster, serves as assistant principal at Manor Middle School.

Adam L. Young ’96, Harrisburg, was named senior counsel with Rettew Associates, Inc.

Christopher T. Brixius ’97, York Haven, earned his professional geologist’s license. He works in the geosciences group of Rettew Associates, Inc.

Tom DeAngelo ’97, Shoemakersville, was selected as the assistant director of technology at Governor Mifflin School District in Shillington.

Eric J. Morgan ’97, Lancaster, launched Prospect Leasing & Management, a company specializing in residential and commercial property management.

Nicole (Boyer) Salinsky ’97, Villas, N.J., received a master’s degree in administration from West Chester University in 2000.

Robert Slamp ’97, Mountville, was named Pennsylvania History Teacher of the Year. He teaches at Carter & MacRae Elementary School in Lancaster.

Robin Anderson ’98, Reading, was named to Who’s Who Among American Teachers for the second consecutive year. She is a kindergarten teacher at Lincoln Elementary.

Jon C. Aull ’98, West Lafayette, Ind., was selected as director of the Purdue University College of Technology locations in Indianapolis and Lafayette that serve ten counties and nearly 300 students.

Bryan D. Baker ’99, Willow Grove, was promoted to supervisor of the benefits installation team for AmeriHealth Administrators, a division of Independence Blue Cross Family of the Companies.

Daniel D. Cornett ’99, Middleton, Wis., completed his internal medicine residency at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine. He is serving as chief resident in the department of medicine and was accepted into the gastroenterology fellowship program for June 2008.

Samuel Haefner ’99, Macungie, was named assistant principal of Salisbury Middle School.

2000s

Donald Force ’00, Bloomington, Ind., earned his master’s degree in library science and information science from Indiana University. He is pursuing his Ph.D. in library archival and information studies at the University of British Columbia.

Timothy W. Howell ’00, Lewisberry, began his second year as director of bands at Indian Valley High School in Lewistown.
Jason D. Ibach '00, Lititz, was promoted to manager of the Elizabethtown branch of Fulton Bank.

Shelby A. (Linton) Keddie '00, Lancaster, joined McNeels, Wallace & Nurick, LLC, in Harrisburg as an attorney in their energy and utility law group.

Rebecca Tassone '00, Red Lion, teaches kindergarten and third grade for Red Lion Area School District.

Michael J. Hess '01, Kutztown, works as lead sleep technician for Respiratory Specialists of Lancaster, joined McNees, Wallace & Nurick, LLC, in Harrisburg as an attorney in their energy and utility law group.

Todd Mealy '01, Lancaster, joined Godfrey & Nurick, LLC, in Harrisburg as a programmer.

Katie L. (Wiltrout) Hess '02/M. Todd Mealy '01, Wyomissing, joined Penn Manor High School as social studies teacher and football coach.

Stacie L. (Cooke) Minnich '02, Millersville, was promoted to associate account manager at Godfrey, Miller, Cimbrian, Inc.

Katherine E. Martin '04, Millersville, accepted the position of grant writer assistant for the Schreiber Pediatric Rehab Center of Lancaster County in September.

Robert Williams '90, Edwin Kobeski '97, Jeffrey Lobb '97, Joseph Osika, Andrew Osika '97 (groom), Melissa (Horn) Osika '02 (bride), Katie Horn, Lindsey Horn, Kristen Rubeck '02, Meghan Garrison '02 and Kathy (Osika) Williams '90.

The wedding of Andrew Osika '97 and Melissa (Horn) Osika '02 on 11/10/07. From left to right: Kristopher Raser '97, Robert Williams '90, Edwin Kobeski '97, Jeffrey Lobb '97, Joseph Osika, Andrew Osika '97 (groom), Melissa (Horn) Osika '02 (bride), Katie Horn, Lindsey Horn, Kristen Rubeck '02, Meghan Garrison '02 and Kathy (Osika) Williams '90.

Marriages

Carolyn J. Rettew '72 and Ronald A. Tingley, 5/5/07.

Elise Kendrick '77 and Dennis Renninger, 8/11/07.

Robert Fidrych '83 and Holly Mallory, 10/7/07.

Michele Baker '87 and Michael White, 7/7/07.

Jill L. Bauer '90 and Michael A. Hemler, 6/24/07.

Jamie L. Warner '91 and Ryan M. McAuley, 6/22/07.

Karen Segerberg '93 and Scot Stier, 7/1/07.

Philip B. Floyd '94 and Julie C. Nelson, 6/16/07.

Marsha Hain '95 and Christopher Hertman, 4/21/07.

David A. Snyder '95 and Tracy L. Minnich, 6/17/07.

Maria Muglie '97 and Mark Owens, 6/2/07.

Timothy D. Stier '06, Columbia, joined the Train Collectors Association as its new publications editor.

Leslie A. Weber '07, Millersville, teaches American literature and poetry at Solanco High School, where she was a student teacher last year.

Craig Falvo '99 and McKenzie Kubly, 7/6/07.

Meghan Hosey '99 and Michael Tavani, 7/14/07.

Sean R. Szerba '99 and Tracy L. Peel, 5/8/07.

Jessica Horstick '00 and Owen Stefanow, 5/19/07.

Lori Keogh '00 and Jason Taylor, 7/6/02.

Carl A. Roller '00 and Daniel I. Weiner, 9/8/07.

Tara Tomlinson '00 and Lyndon Hess, 6/30/07.

Matthew Kitchen '01 and Carrie Stefanides '03, 6/10/06.

Daniel A. Kovalchick '01 and Jennifer L. Shaak '05, 6/23/07.

Justin M. Crump '03 and Erin M. Weidner '04, 6/23/07.

Bridget M. Flowers '03 and Jason J. Meile '03, 7/14/07.

Kerri Foery '03 and Terry Sprinkle '03, 9/1/07.

Joie M. Ganter '03 and Terence L. McKim Jr. '05, 9/16/06.

Kenneth Stough '03 and Deanna Rider, 9/15/07.

Lisa C. Wieser '03 and Jonathan Beightol, 10/12/07.

Megan Ziegler '03 and Craig Youtz, 10/7/06.

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Births

Scott L. Paul ’87 and wife Tracey, a son, Kyle Aiden, on 12/14/06.
Douglas Barge ’90 and wife Sonya (Zearing) ’90, a son, Jordan Alexander, on 9/25/06.
Susan (Sommers) Arbogast ’91 and husband Morgan, a son, Logan, on 9/1/01, a daughter, Addisan, on 1/16/04 and a son, Griffin, on 8/12/05.
Shawn Lyndon ’91 and wife Marcia (Grise) ’92, a daughter, Makenna Marie, on 4/13/07.
Kristin M. (Ernst) Arisman ’94 and husband Peter M. ’94, a son, Wyatt Michael, on 6/8/07.
Emily (Scott) Geddes ’94 and husband Robert, sons, Robert James V, on 4/12/03, Joshua Thomas, on 9/30/04, and Michael Andrew, on 5/17/07.
Heather (Hill) Rose ’94 and husband John, a son, Patrick Ryan, on 11/10/06.
Keith E. Mellinger ’95 and wife Sara (Schafer) ’98, a daughter, Cecilia Dawne, on 3/22/07.
Laurie (Kanuck) Baluyot ’96 and husband Ed, a daughter, Isabelle Ingrid, on 5/17/07.
Eric Christianson ’96 and wife Jennifer, a son, Nicholas Ryan, on 5/5/07.
Gina (Ciallella) Crawford ’96 and husband Daniel, a son, Hunter Daniel, on 6/1/07.
Joaanne C. (Marchesani) Meredith ’96 and husband Rob, a daughter, Riley Christine, on 5/16/07.
Timothy D. Acker ’02 and wife Regina D. (Burkholder) ’03, a daughter, Jocelyn, on 5/23/07.
John F. Sofillas ’96 and wife Garnet D., a son, John (Jack) Frank, on 1/27/07.
Stacey (Zuckerman) Bernstein ’97 and husband William ’99, a son, Collin James, on 7/9/07.
Kelly (Ryan) Gillette ’98/M ’06 and husband Gregory ’04, a daughter, Juliana Ryan, on 2/27/07.

Deaths

Alice (Walker) Roach ’24, Philadelphia, died on 7/2/07, at the age of 100. She enjoyed gardening and baking.
Elizabeth (Wanner) Brown ’30, Glenn Mills, died on 8/26/07, at the age of 96. She began her teaching career in a one-room Amish schoolhouse and retired in 1971 from Coatesville School District. She and her husband owned Brown’s Meats and Grocery in Atglen.

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Information Session
Tuesday, March 25
5:30-7:30 p.m.
Lyle Hall,
1st floor Parlor
Meet our new MBA Director, Dr. Mike Dillon

Lunch & Learn
Thursday, April 3
Noon-1 p.m.,
Liberty Place,
Lancaster
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Eleanor E. Bullock ’32, Media, died on 7/24/07, at the age of 94. She taught second grade at Wetherill Elementary School for 44 years.

Dorothy “Dotty” (Miller) Mackey ’33, Quarryville, died on 9/9/07, at the age of 94. She taught in the Solanco School District for 30 years.

Ruth (Whitmore) Goodman ’33, Lancaster, died on 10/22/07, at the age of 95. She served as office manager for her husband’s medical practice for many years and was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of Lancaster General Hospital.

Bernice (Rehmeyer) Bartenslager ’35, Etters, died on 9/4/07, at the age of 89. She was a teacher for 49 years, continuing as a substitute teacher for 15 years after retiring in 1966.

Elwood K. Gerlitzki ’37, Grand Prairie, Texas, died on 8/23/07, at the age of 92. He was a retired production manager for Kerr Glass.

Paul W. Musselman ’39, Tulsa, Okla., died on 9/18/07, at the age of 90. He spent 40 years with United Telephone Company, retiring as the company’s training manager in 1982.

June (Bally) Vesterman ’40, Branchville, died on 8/22/07, at the age of 88. She served the U.S. Army during World War II and taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Paradise.

Ralph C. Diller ’41, Columbia, died on 8/25/07, at the age of 89. He retired from Columbia High School in 1975 after teaching for 35 years.

Ruth “Toni” (Givler) Earhart ’42, Lancaster, died on 9/3/07, at the age of 86. She taught first grade at Hempfield School District for 36 years. While at Millersville State College, she was a soloist in the Glee Club and class valedictorian.

Donald F. Hoover ’43, Carson Valley, died on 8/16/07, at the age of 85. He served the Hollidaysburg Area School District for 61 years, as a teacher, administrator and school board member. He was named District 6 Man of the Year in 2005 for his involvement in regional wrestling tournaments since the 1950s.

Peggy (Diffenderfer) Smith ’49, Chambersburg, died on 7/26/07, at the age of 79. She retired after 30 years as a kindergarten teacher at Andrew Buchanan Elementary.

James Seitz ’50, Sidney, Ohio, died on 9/4/07, at the age of 80. He was the founding president of Edison State Community College in Piqua, Ohio, and the author of ten books and numerous articles. In April 2007, he was honored with the Millersville University Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award.

Donald E. Pickar ’56, Pottstown, died on 12/29/06, at the age of 72. He was an industrial arts teacher in the Pottstown School District for 31 years. He was active in amateur radio clubs.

Marlette A. (Mante) Evans ’66, Plymouth, died on 9/28/07. She served as Sunday school superintendent of the Forty Fort Presbyterian Church for 25 years, where she was a member for 50 years. She was the first female president of the Pennsylvania State Sunday School Association.

Constance Ann (McKinney) Hopkinson ’67, East Berlin, died on 9/4/07, at the age of 62. “Miss Hop” taught for more than 20 years at Central York High School. She won the Cooperating Teacher of the Year award twice from Millersville University.

Diana Lin (Denenberg) Durand ’67, Alexandria, Va., died on 10/21/07, at the age of 61. She worked for the Central Intelligence Agency in the areas of computer programming, computer security and program planning before retiring as a planning officer in 1990. She also volunteered with Meals on Wheels and the Animal Rescue League. A spirit flower garden at Millersville University’s new Education Building was dedicated in her honor in October.


Edward W. Richards, Jr. ’71, Hatfield, died on 9/2/07, at the age of 58. He served the Hatboro-Horsham High School as a coach, teacher and assistant principal for more than 33 years.

Susan (Brurer) Hollenbach ’72, Blue Bell, died on 8/20/07, at the age of 56. She was a teacher for the North Penn School District.

Marlyn M. Ranck ’72, Durham, N.C., died on 9/8/07, at the age of 60. He worked as a case manager for Value Options.

Donald E. Erb ’75, Lebanon, died on 8/18/07, at the age of 53. He was an elementary school teacher for the School District of Lancaster from 1975 to 1989.

Linda S. Bell ’84, Lancaster, died on 9/19/07, at the age of 44. She was employed as a medical assistant and was an avid fan of the Lancaster Barnstormers.

Deona (Green) Lucki ’84, Skippack, died on 9/4/07, at the age of 45. She was a finance director for RCN Corp.

Mavis J. Darcy ’88, Elyria, Ohio, died on 9/2/07, at the age of 60. She taught English and Latin for 32 years at Clearview High School, retiring in 2001. She traveled in 44 states and 20 countries.

Mark R. Roland ’95, Conestoga, died on 10/3/07, at the age of 37. He was employed by the Sleep Inn and was a fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers.
Dr. Frank Lisella ’57 has worked in biological safety, medicine and environmental health for the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

Lynn Lisella has been on the front lines of education and communications for the CDC creating public awareness as AIDS and HIV evolved into a world health crisis.

Now retired and living in Georgia, they love nature. A few months ago, the couple donned their hunter’s orange and managed to bag matching 10-point bucks during hunting season in Texas. It’s clear that this intriguing couple has a mutual respect for each other’s achievements and inspire each other in their vital roles.

After graduating from Millersville with a degree in biology, Lisella moved into the public health arena and earned advanced degrees, including a Ph.D. in preventive medicine and environmental health from the University of Iowa. “I think my time spent at Millersville prepared me well for my career,” notes Lisella, adding that when he became the first student assistant for Dr. Alex Henderson, the world of biology and health opened up for him.

Throughout his notable career, Lisella has played a crucial role in the study, research and prevention of emerging infections, environmental health risks, biosafety and biosecurity, food and water safety, and the effects of antibiotic overuse.

“It used to be that food was grown and harvested locally. Now that it is mass produced and transported all over the world, there are many issues and concerns about food safety,” says Lisella.

Discovering ways to minimize and control public health risks has been at the crux of his research through the years. Spreading infection as a form of biological warfare became so threatening that the United States ultimately signed a worldwide treaty to demilitarize biological weaponry.

The program to monitor those weapon neutralization projects was under Lisella’s supervision at the CDC. He also worked with the WHO in undeveloped countries like India and the Congo, where disease and unsanitary conditions take their toll on vast populations.

The Lisellas have also battled the effects of AIDS and HIV on the population in different ways. While Lisella served as the director of the Office of Biosafety at CDC and later as the director of the Environmental Health and Safety Office at Emory University School of Medicine, Lynn Lisella was on the cutting edge of a new challenge in public health education and communications.

“A pivotal time in health education came with a campaign to educate the public about HIV as the virus that causes AIDS,” says Lynn. She worked with a top advertising agency on a national campaign on HIV awareness and education. Celebrities brought the powerful message to audiences through the national media and a hotline.

“This was when the CDC became fully aware that they could no longer work exclusively as a scientific research organization, but needed to fold communications into the arsenal of prevention tools,” says Lynn.

The Lisellas have a special love for Millersville. “I am so impressed with the way students are nurtured and educated,” says Lynn. The Lisellas contribute to the Occupational Health and Safety Department and the Student Health and Wellness Initiative. They feel a powerful commitment to foster the place that guided Lisella toward his career in public health.

“That’s where I caught the bug,” says Lisella. “That’s where it all began.”