The Information Officer by Mark Mills is well-researched and tells an interesting story of Malta during World War II. The primary plot involves the murder of a young woman, but Mills' ability to create Malta in words is really engaging. I think it would be a good “beach book” since it is uncomplicated, yet, intriguing. Also, if you can’t get to Malta this summer, you can go in your imagination! -Dr. Beverly Schneller, chair

Uncle Tom’s Cabin; Or, Life Among the Lowly by Harriet Beecher Stowe—the book that everyone thinks they know but don’t. It has been demoted—wrongly—to children’s literature, but it remains not only a widely popular book in its time, but also the first book to spawn an industry of paper dolls, china and thousands of cultural artifacts. Add to that the fact that Lincoln himself credited it with starting the American Civil War, and its “must read” status for all Americans becomes undeniable. -Dr. Carla Rineer, assistant professor

Summer reading

This summer when you head to the beach, don’t forget a book, or two, or three. Here are some interesting recommendations from members of Millersville University’s Department of English:

White Noise by Don DeLillo for both for its humor and social commentary. Beloved by Toni Morrison for its gripping tale and poetic style. The Sound and the Fury by William Faulkner for its engaging diversity of narrative techniques (follow it with Absalom, Absalom!). To the Lighthouse by Virginia Woolf for its artistic structure and narrative styles. -Dr. Jill Craven, associate professor of English, Film studies

Chester Himes’ detective novels - Dr. Caleb Cokerly, assistant professor and assistant department chair

The Inheritance by Louisa May Alcott for those sentimental romantics out there. Written in 1849 when Alcott was just seventeen, it shows a very different side of the author most famous for Little Women. -Elizabeth J. O’Day, adjunct professor

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Help the Archives

The Millersville University Archives contains thousands of photographs that record Millersville people, events and campus locations. Some of the people and events in photographs from this important collection are unidentified. Here is your chance to help us uncover Millersville’s past.

Here is a photo from 1964 at the “Rat Race”—the campus hang-out and site of dances and student activities. Please share any stories about the Rat Race or identification of any of the students in the photo with the Archives staff. Please email Special.Collections@millersville.edu, call 717-872-3624, or write to Archives & Special Collections, Ganser Library, Millersville University, Millersville, PA 17551.

The archives received several responses to the photograph in the spring issue of the Review. The photograph was found in the The Snapper on Sept. 15, 1970. One of the students was cut off in the photo printed in the Review. The Snapper shows one more person to the right of the group.

I can provide some help in explaining the picture in the “Help the Archives” section. The photograph was taken in September of 1970, some time before September 16. The person standing under the word “Cold” is me: Melissa Singer ’74.

I don’t know any of the other people, but I can give you some details of circumstances. The hats are called dinks. All freshmen had to wear them. If an upperclassman called out “button frosh” you had to lift your dink by the button on the top to tip your hat to the upperclassman.

The cards we are holding are our name cards. [Note the string for hanging them around your neck.] We had to get signatures on them.

I can pinpoint the date because my father kept every letter that his daughters wrote home from college, and had them neatly organized in files. I have all of the letters now that my dad has died. I opened my file, and found this paragraph in a letter dated September 16, 1970: “I’m sending you something from the first school newspaper of the semester. Notice me — right in the middle of things. The boy without the dink is signing my card. We have to get 80 signatures [10 girls and 10 boys from each year] on our name cards, or else we’re liable to arrest.”

This leads me to believe that there was a companion photograph printed in the September Snapper. It may be that there were names printed under the photo. I don’t remember any class after mine actually wearing dinks. Is it possible that we were the last year?

Melissa (Singer) Yates ’74

Oh, did this photo take me back! I don’t know who the individuals are, but they are definitely freshmen participating in an odd hazing ritual in vogue at the time called “Frosh Week.” They are wearing the distinctive hats (“dinks”) they were required to wear all week, raising them courteously and saying, “We love you, upperclassmen” to any of that breed they passed as they went about campus. The folks in the photo appear to be examining the placards, worn about the neck, on which they had to collect... I think it was 20... different signatures from each class. Other Frosh Week activities I remember included a day all freshmen had to wear white socks, another when they had to carry something representing their majors, a parade and other such pranks. Offending freshmen could be “arrested” by upperclassmen, and then were auctioned off to the highest bidder at the end of the week. I’m happy to say that my freshman year, 1970, was also the last year the Frosh Week was practiced.

Kathy Lynn Horne ’74

This picture might have been taken our first week of college that Sept. [1970] Note the MSC beanies. I remember them. They were given to us that first week. I just had a wonderful time at Millersville!!!

Susan (Barchet) Ruhl ’73

A person who wished to remain anonymous called and said that the photo was from fall of 1970 during freshman orientation. Freshman had to buy an orientation pack, which included a beanie. She refused to participate and thought they discontinued this the following year. She thinks the photo was taken in the TUB—Temporary Union Building (now Biemesderfer) by the vending machines in back on the left.
This May marked the first time Millersville University held two commencement ceremonies, which honored 1,152 undergraduate and 226 graduate students. Winter 2009 graduates were also invited to participate in the commencement, as their ceremony was cancelled due to inclement weather.

In addition, this year marked the first time a poet laureate offered the “Moment of Reflection” at the undergraduate ceremony. Barbara Buckman Strasko ’73, ’78M, poet laureate of Lancaster County, led the ceremony in reflection while presenting some of her inspirational poetry.

The ceremony commemorating students who earned graduate degrees, certifications and awards was held May 7, in Pucillo Gymnasium. University faculty, staff, graduates and families welcomed Dr. Tiffany Wright ’02M, principal of the Career Academy at York County School of Technology in York Pa., as the keynote speaker. Wright received her bachelor’s degree from Gettysburg College in 1974; she returned to the classroom to earn her masters degree in leadership in teaching and learning from Millersville.

The spring 2010 undergraduate ceremony was held May 8 at Biemesderfer Stadium, despite the gusts of wind and threatening storm clouds. Brian Gladden ’87, senior vice president and chief financial officer for Dell Inc., was welcomed as the keynote speaker of the commencement ceremony.

Gladden expressed to the graduates the importance of “finding your passion and making it your job.” If you are not doing what you love, according to Gladden, it simply is not worth doing.

He promoted self-confidence as the number one key to success. Gladden explained, “What I mean by that is quiet self-assurance…not cockiness…not conceit…not arrogance; it’s the key to winning…to excelling…no matter what you do in life.”

His speech aimed to inspire students to pursue their dreams and accomplish the unimaginable by “setting goals alarmingly high and start hacking away at them.” Through his own success and accomplishments, Gladden demonstrated the power of a Millersville degree.

He concluded with the remark, “having the confidence to stay true to your values and what you believe in is the real measure of leaders” and encouraged graduates to seize the opportunities ahead of them as they begin a new chapter of their lives.
Dreams come true in the Big Apple

BY JESSICA DO

Growing up I always had this dream of living in New York and working for a major network. Last September, I took a chance and applied to be New York University “Spring in New York” student, and I sent my resume to NBC’s Today Show. Before I knew it, my dreams were coming true, and I was packing for the Big Apple! Full of culture and life, the city has given me the opportunity to learn about my career and to grow as an individual.

**Best thing about living in NYC?**
I loved that NYC has every possible activity within a few blocks. You can never get bored while living in the city. If you want to go rock climbing, take dance lessons or even go mini golfing, it is somewhere in New York. One night you can be sampling a table of Indian cuisine and the next you can be slurping Japanese noodles and miso soup. The diverse options made me want to try something new every day.

**Biggest sticker shock?**
During the first week I was in the city, I thought it would be a fun to go shopping at Bloomingdales. The very first tag I checked read $2,050. It was for a trench coat imported from Britain. Needless to say, I did not make a purchase that day.

**Would you rate NYers friendly or rude?**
New Yorkers are very friendly. If you need assistance getting around the city, everyone is more than helpful. Surprisingly, I felt very safe in the city.

**Favorite food(s)?**
I love eating. New York has opened my eyes to all types of food the world has to offer. My favorite one is the Mama’s Special from Leo’s Latticini – Mama’s of Corona.

The Mama’s Special consists of a sesame hero roll filled with prosciuttini, salami, fresh mozzarella, roasted peppers and mushrooms. A perfect blend of ingredients that makes up the best sandwich I have ever consumed.

**What did you miss most about Millersville?**
The people of Millersville and the sense of community the town shares. With thousands of students, NYU is rather independent and it is easy to isolate yourself. It is difficult to see friends everyday. While in New York, I had the tendency to do my own thing and went days without seeing some of my friends. Millersville is very supportive and a great environment to learn from one another.

**Biggest free activity in New York?**
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**Would you ever want to do an early morning show (and get to work at 4 a.m.)?**
Certainly, with a morning show, workers are going to work during odd hours. In fact, some technicians come in at 1 a.m. to set up for the show! The most exciting part of my internship was being able to see the show air and see everything come together in Studio 1A. This means a 4 a.m. wake-up and 6 a.m. call time. It is exciting to be a part of a something that millions of people wake up to and follow everyday.

**Still interested in broadcasting as a career?**
With this internship, I am even more interested in broadcasting! While at Today, I learned that broadcasters should be passionate about telling a story. Whatever the story may be, a broadcaster needs to have a desire to inform the public about a certain topic in the most succinct way. People look towards television news for answers in their lives. I love being informative, and the idea of putting all of that on video fascinates me. Then, finding a way to express it creatively? The challenge makes it more exciting. Because of this internship, I want to come back to Millersville and develop my skills in order to reach the level of these NBC producers.

For more about her New York adventures, check out her blog at http://crumbsofsourdoughbread.blogspot.com. Click here to see her video on YouTube.
Millersville heading to downtown Lancaster

Millersville University is moving forward to purchase the building at 42 N. Prince Street in Lancaster, Pa. The 63,000-square-foot building is the former home of the Pennsylvania Academy of Music (PAM), which was built at a cost of $32 million. To avoid foreclosure, PAM signed the building deed over to its mortgage lender in December 2009. In May, the organization declared bankruptcy.

While the sale is being finalized by the Department of General Services and the state—through the passage of the annual capital facilities bill—the University will lease the building from the current owner, Union Community National Bank. Starting in June, the lease is for a six-month term and can be extended in two six-month options.

The building will be used initially to provide classroom and performing space during the two-year construction of the University’s new Visual and Performing Arts Center (VPAC) (see left) on the main campus. In addition, the Prince Street building will accommodate the undergraduate and graduate classes now being offered at Liberty Place as well as the University’s Corporate University and Nonprofit Resource Network. While the building will be used for some music department classes during VPAC construction, there have not been any decisions made on moving entire departments from the main campus to Lancaster. The building will also host community events and performances.

The University’s Council of Trustees approved the plans to acquire the building because of its fit with the University’s mission to develop nationally recognized programs and opportunities for its students and faculty. The purchase will mean a broad-based expansion of Millersville’s visual and performing arts into the greater community that will enhance the economic vitality of the city of Lancaster and the region and help preserve a valuable community asset.

The trustees approved a proposal for $13.5 million, which will cover the price of the building and renovations to make it compatible with Millersville University’s needs. This is based on appraised value and revenue projections that include savings from off-campus programs and private gift support. An additional $1 million for furniture and equipment was approved. Money for the building, renovations, furniture and equipment will come from the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education capital construction fund.

For more information, contact Carol Reichler, interim director of the North Prince Street facility, at 717-871-5824.

In June, Millersville University moved some of its classes and offices to North Prince Street in Lancaster.
Keeping Kids Safe in Cyberspace

It used to be that keeping kids safe involved protecting them from drugs, alcohol, teen pregnancies, car accidents, child predators, bullying and other real-life dangers. Those risks still exist, of course. But now there is the new place where kids can get into trouble. It’s cyberspace, where danger lurks in everything from Facebook to Twitter, texting to email.

In the cyber world, the dangers are even closer than ever. Predators can reach children via texting and other cyber tools. Kids can buy dangerous drugs online. Bullies can torture their victims in ways so cruel it has driven some teens to suicide.

A new initiative to protect young people in the cyber world, while informing educators of all the ways kids can be at risk, has been launched by Millersville University’s School of Education. It’s the CyberSafe Partnership.

In May, Millersville held a CyberSafe Partnership Conference, sponsored by a Verizon Foundation grant. This marked the second conference sponsored by Verizon to bring national experts, educators, administrators and families together with the goal of keeping kids safe. In 2008, Millersville’s School Violence Conference was supported by Verizon.

The CyberSafe conference marked the introduction of a new Online Safety Council that provides resources for information about cyber safety. The council will serve as a means for parents and educators to learn about standardized policies and procedures in schools and the community.

“The CyberSafe Partnership is an attempt to coordinate local, state and federal efforts to protect our children. The area superintendents, local and state law enforcement, and the FBI are all working together to help our students,” reports Dr. Jon Landis, assistant professor of educational leadership and educational technology at Millersville University.

“The problem is that everyone is solving the problems separately, each school district is forging its own way,” says Landis. “Technology integration into the classroom has always been an interest of mine. The problem is that all of these great opportunities come with great risk,” explains Landis. “Students can collaborate with people all over the world, but that also means that criminals and pedophiles also have remote access to our children.”

New risks have popped up in the cyber world. For example, teens who send nude pictures and explicit messages can be charged with sexting and child pornography if they are under 18, making them registered sex offenders.

Cyber bullying is another major concern. At the conference, Special Agent Scott Sutherland of the Federal Bureau of Investigation gave the keynote presentation on “National Perspective on Bullying and the Global Motivation Behind It.”

Landis spoke on “The Psychology of the Online Adolescent: She’s Right Next to You, Why Are You Texting Her?” Other speakers included Dr. Jane Bray, dean, School of Education, Officer Ted Makauskas, Lancaster Bureau of Police, and Pa. State Trooper Tony Thomas.

A panel discussion of local school district superintendents and Millersville University experts helped to lay the groundwork to take a unified approach with the Online Safety Council.

The cyber world can be a very effective means for creating valuable social and educational connections. Even texting can open doors for students and create new, positive interactions.

“Texting removes the normal social cues so it is a very powerful form of communication. For adolescents who are very self-conscious, the ability to regulate their speech is enabling. They can make themselves sound better, smarter and funnier,” says Landis. “Even adults find it empowering once they try it. Our kids just figured it out before we did.”

Educators need to understand the risks and pitfalls. They need to teach kids how to respect the dangers that lurk, while taking advantage of the exciting new worlds that technology can access.

Just 10 years ago, identity thieves had to dig through trash or steal wallets. Today, people post so much personal information online that stealing is easy. Children—and adults—are easily scammed by offers of everything from free iPods to scholarships to concert tickets.

“We need to actively teach skepticism when it comes to the Internet,” warns Landis.
He’s on a mission to educate educators about Internet safety and connecting with students.

Dr. Jon Landis’03M admits that being a professor was never really on his radar as a youth. Being a teacher was.

“I got into teaching because I wanted to help kids like themselves and understand their world,” he says. “I’ve always been a big science nerd, and I really enjoyed helping kids to interact and appreciate how stuff works and how to think critically.

“I left the classroom for administration when I realized I could have a bigger influence on kids by working with a whole school full of teachers. I spent some time in central office administration, but it was being a principal of a middle school that really resonated with me,” he recalls.

That’s when he realized that as a professor, he could work with new teachers, principals, supervisors, and even work to influence the policy and research that guides education.

Landis, who joined the faculty of Millersville University in 2008, is the coordinator of the educational leadership program, and is an assistant professor in educational foundations.

And he is a self-professed computer geek. It is his “geekism” that led to his vital role as co-founder and coordinator of the CyberSafe Partnership and the CyberSafe Conference (see page 8).

“Good teaching is always about using available resources to help students connect with their world. Just because something plugs in doesn’t mean it’s better for kids. A teacher using PowerPoint to deliver notes is the same thing as using an overhead or using chalk. It doesn’t change the child’s connection with the curriculum,” reminds Landis.

However, he points out that some technologies can fundamentally improve the interaction of child and curriculum, and even help students overcome disabilities.

In the past, classroom conversations were dominated by the socially adept and the academically elite, he explains. Inevitably, it was the most popular and poised students who sparkled in the classroom.

“Today technology can level the field. Teachers can use technology to set up forums where students can debate and discuss without the usual peer influence and social cues,” says Landis, adding that all students, even those who might not be as socially astute, have the opportunity to contribute.

That makes teaching even more rewarding to Landis. He thrives on the collaboration and exploration with professors and students and adds, “I am continually impressed by the caliber of our students.”

As part of his work with schools and Internet safety, Landis believes it’s important to actively stay connected to the culture of movies, TV, music and Internet memes that are a driving force in today’s society. Teachers need to understand popular culture to effectively reach their students.

He is also an Apple enthusiast and proud user of the new iPad. He has even visited “the mother ship in Cupertino, Calif., ... it’s just an amazing place,” says Landis, who has worked on some projects for Apple.

Spending “real-time” time with his family is his favorite past-time. He and his wife have two teenagers.

“Education is no less than helping people make meaning out of their lives,” says Landis, who feels that he has found his calling in life.
Earlier this summer, two students from Millersville's Honors College, Rebecca Douglass and Justin Gilmore, participated in the Pa. System of Higher Education’s summer honors study abroad program in Egypt.

Experiencing the wonders of Ancient Egypt

Green ranking

Millersville University has been named one of the country's most environmentally-responsible colleges, according to The Princeton Review. The nationally known publication selected Millersville for inclusion in a new guide it has created for college applicants, “The Princeton Review’s Guide to 286 Green Colleges.”

“Millersville University understands that sustaining our environment is more than just a passing trend,” said Roger Bruszewski, Millersville’s vice president for finance and administration. “Being a green campus not only helps reduce energy costs, but having green facilities also improves the quality of learning for our students.”

Retirees: WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW?

Dr. Walter Kreider
AT MILLERSVILLE 1960 TO 1992: Professor of educational foundations; baseball coach, director AACTE International Committee
FONDEST MEMORIES: Sharing my enriching global experiences that I had with great students; representing Millersville in global conferences; being awarded Japan's highest educational award—Monbusho Fellowship.
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: Global travel and research; organizing photos/journals of these travels; competing in athletics.

Dr. Verne Hauck ’69, ’76M
AT MILLERSVILLE 1978 TO 2002: Professor of industry & technology
FONDEST MEMORIES: Involvement with the students in the human-powered submarine project.
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: My wife and I do extensive traveling on motorcycle. The year I retired, I rode a Harley-Davidson motorcycle 100,000 miles in one year!

Dr. Barbara Haus
AT MILLERSVILLE 1998 TO 2006: Associate professor of nursing
FONDEST MEMORIES: Classes with graduate students pursuing their master's degrees in nursing.
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: Living half of each year in The Villages, Fla.; cruising to Alaska, Europe & the Caribbean; learning to play golf and pursuing the art of watercolor painting.

Dr. Bruce Kellner
AT MILLERSVILLE 1969 TO 1991: Professor of English
FONDEST MEMORIES: Trying to teach “Americanese” to 15 visiting Iranian special education students; establishing African-American literature courses in the English department.
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: Multiple publications, plays and lectures.

Dr. W. Richard Kettering
AT MILLERSVILLE 1966 TO 1994: Professor of special education
FONDEST MEMORIES: Day my family members graduated from Millersville; day Special Education became a major; receiving grants; colleagues.
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: part-time psychologist; serving as board member Lancaster-Lebanon Psychology Association; travel, family.

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HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: Global travel and research; organizing photos/journals of these travels; competing in athletics.

Norma Gunzenhauser
AT MILLERSVILLE 1968 TO 1991: Food service supervisor
FONDEST MEMORIES: The people who I worked with were great people. I enjoyed working there very much!
HIGHLIGHTS SINCE RETIREMENT: Traveled, spent eight years living in Florida.
Millersville Community Parade set to strut October 23

The annual two-mile Millersville Community Parade is scheduled for Saturday, October 23, at 9 a.m., rain or shine. It coincides with the University’s Homecoming weekend.

Entry applications are due by October 1. Entries are free, except for businesses and political candidates. This year’s parade theme is “Wild Wild West.”

The award-winning parade attracts more than 2,000 participants, including more than 165 vehicles of all shapes and sizes, 15 bands, and an audience of almost 5,000.

The budget for the community parade is approximately $25,000, which is derived from a variety of sources, particularly local businesses, that primarily fund entertainment.

To make a contribution, checks should be payable to Millersville Parade and mailed c/o Alumni Services Office, Millersville University, P.O. Box 1002, Millersville, PA 17551-0302.

Forum on disabilities and public policy

Held on March 31 at Millersville University, Disabilities and Public Policy: A Community Forum, was designed to discuss the impacts of disability policy, disability laws and the disability rights movement.

Sponsored by the Millersville University Honors College, Common Reading Project, United Way of Lancaster County, Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia (PILCOP) and ARC of Pennsylvania, the conference was open to the public. Speakers for the event included Steve Suroviec, executive director of ARC of Pennsylvania, and from PILCOP, Judith Gran, Esquire, and Thomas K. Gilhool, Esquire.

“This year Millersville University has dedicated itself to inquiry into the issue of disabilities and its social, political and cultural significance in the life of Pennsylvanians and Americans,” said Dr. Dennis Downey, professor and director of the Honors College.

“Our hope and expectation was to bring together a broad and diverse audience of policymakers, people who are working in the field, and family members who are experiencing disabilities in some manner or another, to assess and to project future needs and future issues.”

Gilhool, retired PILCOP chief counsel, received Millersville University’s President’s Medallion at the forum. The medallion is one of the highest honors the University bestows, honoring and acknowledging contributions to the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and their commitment to the values of higher education.

His long record of advocacy includes providing lead representation in precedent-setting lawsuits and winning numerous awards for his legal support on behalf of people with disabilities and civil rights. Gilhool’s efforts resulted in the establishment of the constitutional right of children with disabilities to a free and appropriate education. In addition, Gilhool developed a coalition of legal service organizations in 1990 to enforce the new provision of the Social Security Act, requiring states receiving federal funds to provide basic health-care to children enrolled in Medicaid. This coalition lead to the enrollment of 300,000 children in Pennsylvania.

For more information, contact the alumni office for an entry packet or visit the parade website at www.parade.millersville.edu.
A Twist on Taste

THE MILLERSVILLE AND AUNTIE ANNE’S CONNECTION

BY LAURA KNOWLES
Suzanne (Hamsher) Tietjen ’77 still remembers the first time she tasted an Auntie Anne’s pretzel—it was love at first bite. Little did she realize then that her career would be built around that tasty treat.

Tietjen is a training and development specialist at Auntie Anne’s Pretzels, an international company headquartered in Lancaster, Pa., with more than 1,060 stores throughout the world. In 2008, Auntie Anne’s had record sales of more than $333 million.

From the beach at New Jersey to California to Venezuela to Hong Kong, Auntie Anne’s has become a household name. Known for their freshly mixed, hand-rolled and twisted pretzels that are baked to a yummy golden brown, Auntie Anne’s has flavors that range from cinnamon sugar to sour cream and onion. Add Auntie Anne’s Pretzel Stix, Pretzel Dogs, dipping sauces and tangy lemonade, and you have the recipe for success.

So, imagine Tietjen’s surprise to find out she was among more than 10 Millersville alumni who not only loved Auntie Anne’s pretzels, but had made the Lancaster company a career.

“I had no idea, until I found out about this article. I knew there were a lot of Millersville alums, but I think it’s pretty amazing how many there are,” says Tietjen.

It might seem an unusual path for an elementary and early childhood education major to get into the pretzel business. That is, until you realize that her position involves training and development.

“In our department, we design, develop and train programs in leadership management, team building and customer service,” says Tietjen, adding that they will be rolling out their internal learning modules for Auntie Anne’s crew members intended to “Share the Perfection.”

As for Tietjen, she considers a delicious Auntie Anne’s raisin pretzel to be as close to perfection as she can imagine. She would happily eat at least one every day. And she loves to share them with her husband, Robert Tietjen ’76, ’79M, whom she met when both were Millersville students.

Her very first Auntie Anne’s pretzel was at Park City, and she recalls, “My first impression was utter heaven as the pretzel melted in my mouth. Yum!”
Heather Leed Neary ’99 (left) had much the same reaction when she first tasted an Auntie Anne’s pretzel at Lancaster’s Central Market. She puts it quite simply when she says it was “love at first bite!”

As chief marketing officer at Auntie Anne’s, Neary has been at the company since 2005. She provides leadership to the store support team, marketing team, creative team, communications team and menu development team. As she points out, Millersville gave her a well-rounded education and the opportunity to participate in internships that allowed her to hone what she had learned.

She thinks that many Millersville graduates came to Auntie Anne’s because it is a well-established and well-respected consumer brand.

As for Neary’s favorite Auntie Anne’s pretzel flavor, she is quite smitten with the Original Stix with hot salsa cheese dip. Ole!

Amanda (Mills) Allison ’05 admits that when you work at Auntie Anne’s, you tend to indulge your appetite for the twisted treat.

“I eat too many pretzels!,” says Allison. “My favorite is the still the original pretzel.”

Allison, senior accounting clerk for payroll, earned her degree in mathematics (actuarial science and statistics) with a minor in finance. Her background in payroll started when she was a student working for University dining services.

At Auntie Anne’s, her responsibilities include handling the payroll for all corporate and company-owned store locations, and performing financial statements and compliance audits on franchise locations.

Kevin Hostetter ’96, (below) director of training, didn’t taste an Auntie Anne’s pretzel until he worked at one of the stores before joining the corporate team. It was a part-time job for gas money, tuition and books for college.

“My first day working at that store was when I had my first Auntie Anne’s pretzel. It tasted awesome, and I was thinking to myself, hey, this is a great benefit, I get to eat these every time I work,” he says. “Eighteen years later, I don’t get to enjoy a pretzel every day I work, but I’m still working at Auntie Anne’s!”

Hostetter oversees and directs franchisee and manager training programs at Auntie Anne’s corporate training facilities in Lancaster, Parkesburg Wal-Mart training store, store openings and transfers. The training team also facilitates training for their corporate employees in the Auntie Anne’s Perfecting U program, which focuses on building employees’ skills.

Hostetter majored in business administration and management. He was already employed as a trainer by Auntie Anne’s when he was a student at Millersville. He also ate a lot of pretzels back then.

“The product is just so tasty and flavorful, it is a perfect way to reward yourself or to hold you over to the next meal,” says Hostetter, adding that his current fav is the cinnamon sugar stix.

Sean Keyes ’02 is pleased to work where one of his favorite snacks is made. He has eaten his share of Auntie Anne’s pretzels and narrows the flavors down to almond as his favorite.

“They taste so good,” he says.

As director of construction, Keyes majored in industrial technology with a concentration in CADD. It turned out to be good preparation for his Auntie Anne’s responsibilities of overseeing the construction, fine tuning and specialty retail departments, where he does design for domestic and international stores, including the design, construction and installation for retail unit openings.

“At Millersville, the focus was on design, and I learned a great deal about processes and procedures for effective project development,” says Keyes.
Michael Mercado ’02 prefers the even zestier jalapeno pretzel as his top choice. “Once you get a whiff of our pretzels, you can’t help but have one,” admits Mercado, who earned his degree in elementary education, gaining experience in interacting with people from all different walks of life. That provided preparation for his Auntie Anne’s career, where he is general manager for company-owned stores, and is responsible for overseeing the daily operations of 12 company-owned stores. “Auntie Anne’s is so popular because it truly is the best pretzel in the world,” says Mercado. “We pride ourselves in providing our customers with first-class service and an experience they won’t soon forget.”

Mercado won’t soon forget his own experiences at Millersville, where he recalls all the great times he spent with friends, hanging out at Gaige Hall, dominating intramural sports (shout out to the Caviar Kids!) and watching the championship women’s basketball team rack up wins.

Jim Senft ’02, who majored in English with a print journalism minor, is an internal communications specialist.
“Millersville gave me a foundation in writing and understanding the nuances of the English language, which I use every day in my job. Millersville also helped to prepare me to work with a diverse group of people, which is important in any profession,” says Senft, adding that English Club trips with the late faculty member, Dr. Jane Alden, are among his most cherished memories of Millersville.

He is also passionate about pretzels, specifically Auntie Anne’s pretzels, which he describes as “delicious!”

“After two years, they’re still just as tasty. People think you’d get tired of them after a while, but I think the variety of pretzel flavors keeps that from happening. My favorite is the almond pretzel with caramel dip,” says Senft.

Like many Millersville grads who ended up at Auntie Anne’s, Senft was surprised that there were so many lured by the tasty twists. His first taste of an Auntie Anne’s pretzel came when he was in high school.

“I was amazed that it tasted nothing like the bland and boring pretzels I was used to munching on,” he recalls.

Kendall Schmiedel ’07 (above) knew that Auntie Anne’s pretzels were far from boring when she tasted one at the Allentown Farmer’s Market, and now works as assistant marketing specialist at Auntie Anne’s.

“I work with our domestic franchisees to provide them with the local marketing tools and support they need to promote the brand and their store in their local area,” says Schmiedel.

She points out that internships played a key role in figuring out what she really wanted to do with her career. She earned a degree in public relations, but through her internship in the marketing office at Millersville, she realized that she loved marketing.

She also discovered why so many people love Auntie Anne’s.

“Everyone loves a warm, freshly baked pretzel. It reminds me a little bit of home,” says Schmiedel, noting that she makes it part of her weekly routine to eat a pretzel every Wednesday when trainees come in to learn how to roll pretzels.

“Almond is my favorite!”

Schmiedel keeps in touch with many of her Millersville friends. In March, she married Robert Bucks ’06, and three of her four bridesmaids were fellow Millersville grads.

Erin Wiegand ’01, senior marketing specialist, oversees the development of local marketing programs to support individual stores across the U.S., as well as coordinating a variety of marketing programs and campaigns that are implemented nationally. She graduated with a degree in business administration with a marketing concentration.

“One thing that I like about Auntie Anne’s is that we recruit interns often, since I had such a positive experience with my internship. The real-world experience you get during an internship is extremely beneficial and I still apply what I learn from those experiences to my job here at Auntie Anne’s,” says Wiegand, who is part of a family tradition of Millersville graduates including two siblings, Molly (Wiegand) Miller ’87 and Tim Wiegand ’90.

She knows exactly why Auntie Anne’s is so popular with customers. The pretzels are hand-rolled and always served fresh. She gets her share too.

“The corporate headquarters is also home to our training center, where each week new franchisees, store managers and key crewmembers travel from across the country and around the world, to learn the daily operations of working in our stores,” she says. “The office employees look forward to when our trainees are here to enjoy the pretzels they make for us!”

Although Auntie Anne’s is headquartered in Lancaster, they have an international presence with more than 300 franchisees in the United States, Mexico, Canada, China, England, Greece, Honduras, Hong Kong, Kuwait, Northern Ireland, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Egypt, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, Indonesia, Malaysia, South Korea and Venezuela.

Auntie Anne’s and its franchisees celebrated 10 years of supporting Children’s Miracle Network in 2009, having raised more than $4.6 million for local children’s hospitals. The company recently announced its new national charitable partnership with First Book (www.firstbook.org).

And for anyone who wonders if there is a real Auntie Anne, the answer is yes. That would be Anne Beiler, who founded Auntie Anne’s in 1988 after she and her husband Jonas opened a farmer’s market stand. Today, Auntie Anne’s makes more than 500,000 pretzels every two days!
Working at Dutch Wonderland Family Amusement Park as director of safety and security might seem like it’s all fun and games for Brent M. Wolf ’02, but it’s also highly detailed and very important work.

With more than 400,000 annual visitors to the amusement park, Wolf deals with a range of concerns, from lost children to sudden summer storms to making sure rides are safe. He shuttles around the park all day, keeping tabs on rides, stands, employees and visitors.

“It’s a great place to work, but it’s a big responsibility. I am always aware of that,” says Wolf.

Kids are always welcome at Dutch Wonderland, which has been voted as the Top 5 Best Children’s Parks in the world—for the fifth time—in Amusement Today’s Golden Ticket Awards.

Lots of people remember the cheerful amusement park from their childhood, when Chief Halftown sat in his teepee and the Amish schoolhouse spun in circles. When the Clark family opened the park in 1963, it had just four rides. In 2001 Hershey Entertainment & Resorts purchased Dutch Wonderland, which now offers more than 30 rides on 48 acres of lush landscape.

After obtaining his degree in occupational safety and environmental health at Millersville, Wolf worked as manager of safety and security at Fleur de Lait Foods/BC-USA and then Associated Wholesalers Incorporated, before joining Dutch Wonderland in 2008.

“The only thing I can say is I wish I would have found it sooner. It really is an awesome place to work. I can’t imagine now working anywhere else,” says Wolf, adding that the best things about his job are his co-workers and the culture, not to mention all the kids and their families.

Wolf and his wife Randi ’02 have been married for six years, and have three children, all under the ages of four. And, the kids love to visit Daddy at work.

Wolf’s staff includes security guards, trained EMTs, safety and security managers and night shift officers, all with the task of keeping everyone safe and secure.

Since Dutch Wonderland is geared to younger children aged 12 and under,
there are special safety concerns. One of them is “lost parents.” This wrist band program enables parents to place a cell phone number on the inside of the band worn on their children's wrists. If they become separated, a simple phone call quickly reunites children with the parents they have lost.

Many are just learning to walk, so they are likely to trip over their tiny feet and scrape little knees. A first-aid station patches them up, while special surfaces help to reduce the bumps.

State regulations require that each ride is inspected monthly. However, the team at Dutch Wonderland takes safety to a higher level, with documented daily inspections on every ride before the park opens.

“The hot weather creates the risk of heat-related hazards and dehydration,” says Wolf, adding that employees get regular breaks and time out of the heat, while beverage stands are located throughout the park to keep guests comfortable on hot days. Certified EMTs are available for heat-related and other emergencies.

“People continue to bring their children to Dutch Wonderland, as well as other Hershey properties, year after year because of the great employees, friendly atmosphere and because they feel safe,” says Wolf.

Baseball is another of Wolf's loves. He's played since the age of five and that led him to Millersville University.

“My freshman year we went to the Division II College World Series, which was one of the coolest experiences of my life. I played four seasons and served as a team captain as a senior,” says Wolf. “If I would not have made the decision to play baseball at Millersville, I would not have met the love of my life or have the three beautiful kids I am blessed to have now.”

He also discovered his major through one of his teammates. Undeclared at the time, Wolf looked into the occupational safety and environmental health program and it was just what he was looking for.

“I am not stuck behind a desk all day, I can work at the corporate level one day and be working with or beside a seasonal employee the next,” he says.

When the gates open, kids scrambled to get on roller coasters, ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds and train rides.

“At Dutch Wonderland, we operate on two basic principles, with the focus on guests and employees. It's a very simple concept that is practiced on a daily basis and works, creating a very positive and healthy environment,” says Wolf. “I like that my kids can visit me on a regular basis while I am at work. If you ask me that's pretty cool!”

**Occupational Safety & Environmental Health: A Degree Focused on Safety and Protecting Others**

From manufacturing plants to amusement parks, safety has to be a top priority.

The safety of employees, of the products being manufactured and of those who visit the facility cannot be ignored. That's why companies rely on professionals who are certified in occupational safety and environmental health. In many cases, it is no longer a choice. It is a necessity.

At Millersville University, students earning degrees in Occupational Safety & Environmental Health are discovering a world of opportunity in this meaningful field.

“Our graduates are finding that they are in a profession that has a 95% satisfaction rate,” says Paul G. Specht, Ph.D., CSP, and professor of Occupational Safety & Environmental Health (OSEH). “They play a vital role in helping others and protecting their safety.”

“Over the years, we have been very proud of graduates who have made outstanding contributions in their field,” says Specht, who has been a professor of industry and technology at Millersville for 25 years.

Students also complete internships in their field to gain real-life experience.

“We have recent graduates who are finding excellent opportunities,” says Specht. “Companies are realizing that if you don't manage employee safety and health they are losing money. It just makes good business sense to hire safety professionals.”

The demand continues for experienced, hard-working, motivated OSEH professionals—people with good organizational, management and communication skills, who are able to put their scientific abilities to work to help others.
He’s rubbed elbows with the likes of Jackie Gleason and Nile Kinnick. To be more precise, he’s rubbed the elbows of these famous icons.

In his career, renowned sculptor Lawrence “Larry” Nowlan ’87 has created bronze statues of some larger-than-life people.

His latest work in progress is that of Harry Kalas, Philadelphia Phillies sportscaster, who passed away last summer. Philadelphia legend. Nowlan’s works of art are usually commissioned. However, this project started with what has become a daily occurrence in many social media users’ lives—a request from a friend to join a Facebook group or cause. In this case, it was to sign a petition to erect a statue in honor of Harry Kalas. It was innocent enough—just an effort to gain another supporter; but Nowlan had other ideas.

Nowlan grew up in the Philadelphia area and is a life-long Phillies fan. In fact, he attended the first game played at Veterans Stadium in 1971.

“Listening to baseball on the radio is a time-honored tradition, and Harry was always on in our house growing up. Along with Whitey [Kalas’ broadcasting partner, Richie “Whitey” Ashburn], they certainly set a pleasant tone whether or not the Phillies were playing well!” he remembers.

So when he got that Facebook message, Nowlan knew he could contribute in a much more substantial way than simply signing the petition or sending a donation. He immediately set his idea in motion, calling on friends to help make this dream of Phillies fans come to life.

Greg Veith, an attorney and friend of Nowlan’s since childhood, established a nonprofit organization, Dear Harry Inc., to receive donations for the statue. To publicize the effort, Nowlan called on Todd Palmer ’88, his friend and former roommate while at Millersville. Palmer, who owns Virtual Farm Creative, developed the website for Dear Harry Inc. and is leading the creative campaign for the project, including all branding and marketing tactics.

“The project has been pretty seamless, and it’s the first time any of us are doing something like this,” Nowlan notes.

This was an unprecedented move—a fan-based operation to raise money, build the monument, and gift it to the Phillies,” recalls Nowlan.

Images of the monument have been presented to the Phillies organization and are hoping for acceptance and an unveiling at the ball park as early as this season.”

Although Nowlan now resides in Vermont, the 7-foot high statue won’t have far to travel as he typically sticks to his Philadelphia roots and has casting done at Laran Bronze, Inc., Fine Art Foundry in Chester, Pa.

Nowlan is a highly sought-after sculptor and understands and appreciates the importance of public sculpture. It also helps that creativity runs in the family: Nowlan’s grandfather, Philip F. Nowlan, created the famous fictional character Buck Rogers.
“Although my grandfather passed before I was born, he was certainly a source of pride for my family,” says Nowlan. “Not only was he a true visionary; he was a joy to be around for both children and adults. Knowing that type of creativity was in my bloodline certainly helped me navigate the challenges of building a career out of such an uncommon gift.”

A few years after graduating from Millersville with a degree in art, he took an evening sculpture class at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts in Philadelphia. That experience led him to enroll in the prestigious Graduate School of Figurative Art of the New York Academy of Art. As a student, he was awarded a sculptor-in-residency at Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, N.H., and was commissioned to sculpt a national monument to pay tribute to the brave men and women who fight the nation’s wildfires.

One of Nowlan’s sculptures is displayed at the Port Authority Bus Terminal in New York City. It depicts bus driver Ralph Kramden, Jackie Gleason’s popular character from the old television series “The Honeymooners.”

Nowlan has done two prominent works for the University of Iowa, which happens to be Kalas’ alma mater. A 12-foot bronze statue honors football great Nile Kinnick, who has been dubbed “everyone’s All-American.” It shows the 1939 Heisman Trophy winner as a student athlete—holding both books and his jersey.

Nowlan completed a massive recreation of Kinnick’s winning touchdown against top-ranked Notre Dame. Measuring approximately 20 feet wide, 10 feet high and 4 feet deep, the 8,000-pound relief features the Hawkeye football team and is proudly displayed outside the stadium.

Although his focus has been realistic figure sculpture, Nowlan doesn’t limit himself. “I was recently commissioned to create a signature piece for a big corporation, which will be abstract,” he says.

Other projects include pieces commissioned by the Philadelphia Eagles and Rachael Ray. Larger projects include the National Wild Land Firefighters Memorial in Boise, Idaho, and awards for VH1’s My Music and ESPN’s Espy.

He created bas relief portraits for the Culinary Institute of America in Napa Valley, Calif. Recently, the city of Dublin, Ireland, unveiled two of Nowlan’s to create two pieces for their town.

But for now, Nowlan is focused on delivering an icon to his fellow Phillies fans.

Visit www.harrykalasstatue.com to sign the petition or find out more about the project, including Nowlan’s art and his blog. Dear Harry, Inc. is more than halfway to its goal of $80,000 to fund the project.
Social networks: A tool for professionals
By Margo Sassaman, Director of Career Services

Social networks are a great way to connect with friends, but how useful are they for employers? We have all heard the stories of how employers are using Facebook and MySpace to find out more about potential hires.

While this is becoming a more common practice, legal experts caution employers, for fear of possible lawsuits claiming race, age or religion discrimination. The best hiring practices advise employers and hiring agents not to ask for information or accept photos during the application process which might be seen as a tool for possible discrimination.

Can an employer utilize social networking tools to connect with and identify employee candidates? The answer is yes. The right social networks are a great way to network and communicate with other individuals in your field, while attracting potential employees.

Linkedin.com is an example of a social network designed for professionals to aid in connecting with individuals in their field and possible employee candidates. Currently, Linkedin has more than 55 million professionals registered and approximately 10,000 groups established. Linkedin groups include Alumni, Corporate, Conference, Networking, Non-profit, Professional and others. The Linkedin staff monitors activity on the site to maintain the professional integrity of the system. The site allows professionals to exchange ideas, brainstorm and stay current with trends and issues in their field. In addition, the site allows job seekers to look for jobs posted on the general job website or though specialized groups.

Twitter is another popular social networking tool that some employers are utilizing to stay in touch with potential employees. Twitter is a text-based system that allows users to stay in touch with individuals and follow individual blogs.

Employers are accessing this marketing tool not only to identify possible employees, but to develop a marketing presence with the technologically savvy consumer. As with other social networks, employers and employee candidates need to be careful about what messages they send out. Once a message is sent, it cannot be edited or deleted.

Social networks are a wonderful way to connect with many individuals worldwide. It is a great way for employers to market themselves and increase their marketing bases. As with any web-based technology, think before you click. Utilize the professional based social networking tools and make certain you are following the equal employment guidelines.

New board members elected

The Millersville University Alumni Association elected 10 alumni to the board of directors at its meeting held April 17. They will serve two-year terms beginning July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012. The new board members include:

- Abe Breslin ’98, Strasburg
- Joseph Choi ’96, M.D., Ph.D., Athens, Pa
- Carl Ernst ’60, Leola
- Catherine Glass ’53, Millersville
- John Held ’02, Hatboro
- Amy Hoffman ’94, Mount Joy
- Richard Moriarty ’72, Millersville
- Scott Muenz ’06, York
- Dan Sidelnick ’75, Lebanon
- Leigh Walter ’88, Duncannon

The alumni board of directors consists of 19 voting members and meets quarterly. Other board members include: Scott Bailey ’98, Thomas Baker ’02, William Benner ’84, Lori Dierolf ’91 (secretary), Stephen Focht ’70 (treasurer), Eric Jackson ’83, Jerri Anne Johnson ’76 (president elect), William Martin ’81 (president) and Kristin Waters ’05.

The Millersville University Alumni Association consists of more than 54,000 living alumni in all 50 U.S. states and 36 countries across the globe. For additional information on alumni events, programs and services, visit www.villealumni.com

Millersville’s career services office, located in Lyle Hall, is also an excellent resource to assist students and alumni with a job search. Career Services allows students and alumni to utilize their services, provide some guidance in their job search and help inform them of career fair opportunities. For more information, www.millersville.edu/careerservices/
Alumni Association Names 2010 Award Recipients

The Millersville University Alumni Association honored the 2010 Distinguished, Honorary and Outstanding Volunteer Alumni Award recipients at the annual Honors and Awards Convocation on April 24 in Pucillo Gymnasium.

John Getz ’99, Maryland, was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award, which is given to a graduate of Millersville University who has been distinguished in such a way to bring honor to the individual and to the University. Getz has a bachelor’s degree in biology. Previously, he was a molecular biologist with Morphoteck. He also worked in project and development for Digene, where he was responsible for designing and testing an HPV (Human Papillomavirus) kit approved by the FDA as the only HPV test for women. In 2005, Getz was hired by the U.S. Department of Defense, Armed Forces Medical Examiners Office. There, Getz is developing 3D protocols that could be used for screening mass casualties during disasters to help with identifying the dead and to determine crime versus accident victims.

Dr. Ralph Anttonen, Millersville, was awarded the Honorary Alumni Award. This award is presented to a non-Millersville alumnus who has performed continuous exemplary service to the University. Anttonen has been a faculty member with the University since 1971 and currently serves as the chair of the department of developmental studies, professor and director of the exploratory (undeclared) program. He was the recipient of the MU Person of the Year Award for the 2001-2002 school year. Anttonen has announced Marauder basketball games for 36 years, been the faculty advisor to Millersville’s radio station, WIXQ-FM, for 30 years and acted as a mentor to hundreds of students.

Dr. Richard Frerichs ’64, Millersville, was awarded the Outstanding Volunteer Alumni Service Award. This newly established award recognizes alumni volunteers who have distinguished themselves by devoting significant time, effort and service to Millersville University. Frerichs served on the executive committee and alumni board of directors for the Millersville alumni association for more than five years. He has volunteered as the chairman of Millersville’s commencement committee and for Millersville athletics, serving as a home game football announcer since 1970. Frerichs served as the vice president and president of the Millersville alumni association for four years and was the recipient of the Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award in 2006.

The alumni association also hosted the recipients at the Volunteer Recognition event April 27 at the Fulton Opera House.
Evening at Lancaster Barnstormers

Join the Millersville University Alumni Association for a special evening of baseball fun at Lancaster’s Clipper Magazine Stadium on Friday, September 3, at 7 p.m. The Barnstormers will take on the Camden Riversharks and festivities will include fireworks and a post-game party on the field.

Ticket pricing: $10/per person. Seats are located in Section 4. Reservations can be made directly with the Lancaster Barnstormers at http://lancasterbarnstormers.com/fundraising-partners.cfm. Use CODE: munight for special discounted ticket pricing. Or, contact the box office at 717-509-3633.

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Volunteer appreciation

The Millersville University Alumni Association Board of Directors, committee members, faithful volunteers, and friends enjoyed an evening reception and performance at the Fulton Theater, in Lancaster on April 27. Guests were greeted with a pre-performance reception and then enjoyed a dress rehearsal of the show “Cat On A Hot Tin Roof.”

The event was an opportunity for the alumni association to thank all of the people who make its work possible. Also honored during the evening were the 2010 alumni award honorees (see page 23 for more information).

Trips for 2010-2011

- **September 26-October 10, 2010:** Canada/New England Cruise (Celebrity ship sailing from Bayonne, N.J.). Explore the historic Northeast on a 14-night cruise visiting Newport, Rhode Island; Boston, Massachusetts; Portland and Bar Harbor, Maine; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Quebec City, Quebec; Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island and five days at sea. Prices start at $1,409/per person/double occupancy.

- **January 16-29, 2011:** Panama Canal Transit Cruise (Norwegian: Miami to Los Angeles): Enjoy free-style cruising on this 13-day trip that includes Cartagena, Columbia; Puntarenas, Costa Rica; Huatulco, Cabo San Lucas and Acapulco, Mexico, and the Panama Canal. Prices start at $1,124/per person/double occupancy. Note: airfare is additional.

- **March 2-13, 2011:** Splendors of the Nile: A Smithsonian Journeys Travel Adventure (land and cruise with Collette Tours). Highlights include Cairo; Pyramids; Memphis; Sakkara; Luxor; Valley of the Kings and Queens; Aswan and a 4-night Nile River Cruise. The tour package includes 21 meals. Prices start at $4,459/per person/double occupancy (which includes air from New York).

Reservations are available for upcoming programs offered by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Alumni and Friends Travel Program: The PASSHE Travel Program is open to the public. Check the website for additional trips being offered in 2011. For additional details, please call our travel partners at Cruisin’ Inc./Main Line Vacations at 800-506-7447 or go online to www.alumnivacations.com/schools-organizations/millersville
Alumni benefits and services

The Millersville University Alumni Association (MUAA) provides a range of benefits and services to alumni, and these may, in turn, provide some revenue support to the association.

MUAA does not sell its alumni list to the external companies below; rather we provide name and address information solely for marketing Millersville-sanctioned programs.

Log onto the alumni website at www.villealumni.com for additional details and links. MUAA is proud to endorse the following:

Alumni Online Community
A site where alumni can communicate with each other, give and receive updates; the site include includes a searchable alumni directory, class notes and more.

*U.S. Bank Visa Credit Card
is the only official MUAA Visa credit card for alumni, faculty, staff, undergraduates and parents.

*Liberty Mutual
MUAA has teamed up with a leader in the insurance industry to offer discounts on a variety of insurance plans. With group discounts, alumni can get up to 20 percent off Liberty’s already competitive rates on auto and home insurance. Additional savings is based on age and level of education. Round-the-clock claims service and emergency roadside assistance are also part of these plans.

www.libertymutual.com/lm/millersville

*Hawk Vision Moving & Storage
An interstate agent for Wheaton World Wide Moving, provides reduced rates on transportation fees, evaluation and special storage rates.

Travel
Check out the PASSHE Alumni & Friends Travel Program for cruises and land trips across the globe. www.alumnivacations.com

*GradMed/Short Term Medical Insurance
Through Collegiate Insurance Resources, short-term comprehensive policies are offered, with coverage periods from 30 to 180 days that give alumni the peace of mind the need for health insurance between jobs or through a period of transition. An online application is available via the alumni webpage, where you can get alumni covered the next day for hospitalization, outpatient services, and doctor bills.

*Long Term Care Insurance
With the rising cost of healthcare, it pays to be prepared for the unexpected. Long-term care insurance through Personal Health Services, where a policy to alumni who want to plan for costs associated with long-term care nursing needs. Benefits are available for spouses and extended family members by a premier provider in the long-term care insurance field. Free information is available with no obligation at www.phsltc.com

Career Services
Utilize the services of this campus office, attend job fairs or simply find some guidance in your job search: www.millersville.edu/~careerservices/

Class Notes
As a free service to our alums, we periodically publish births, marriages, promotions, etc. Submit your info via fax, U.S. mail or email to: mualumni@millersville.edu

Class and Affinity Reunions
Looking to reminisce with some old college friends? Contact the alumni office to coordinate an effort for a special milestone with your class or affinity group (i.e., athletic team, sorority, band, club, etc.).

Gordinier Conference Center
is available for your next event. Amenities include facilities accommodating up to 275 guests, professional event planning, custom menus. 717-872-3443.

Library
For a small fee, alumni can access the resources of Ganser Library by checking out books or doing research. 717-872-3612.

*Millersville License Plate
Show your pride with a custom-designed plate featuring the Biemesderfer Center. It can be purchased via the alumni office. Pa. residents only.

Millersville Review
A free subscription to the University magazine, whose contents include campus life, faculty spotlights, alumni interest articles, class notes and special features.

University Store
For Millersville University clothing, athletic wear, gifts, and more, online 24/7: http://store.studentservicesinc.com/home.aspx

*Health Proponent
The nation’s leading independent health care advocacy and assistance company helps Millersville alumni navigate the health care maze to save time and money.

Auto Discounts
For alumni living in Lancaster County (Pa.), Chapman Ford offers special discounts on automobiles for Millersville alumni.

Verizon Velocity
Order new qualifying residential products using the special code: 50449. In Pa./N. J., call 888-345-7544 or 888-678-1384 in N. J.

* With several of the above benefits or services to our alumni, the MUAA receives funds, which in turn provide support to offset alumni programs and events, assist in University special programs and new or existing scholarships/awards. Please support these benefits and services, they could mean special discounts to you and revenue support to your alma mater and the alumni association.
It seems apropos that the most successful team in the last 10 seasons of Millersville women’s basketball would carry a striking resemblance to its 1999-2000 counterparts. After all, it was the team 10 years prior that advanced to the school’s only NCAA Division II Regional Championship game. It was also the team that held the school record for steals in a season and stood alone atop the school’s single-season wins list with 25. That was until this year. Mary Fleig’s 20th season on the Millersville bench was one of great pride and joy, as her senior-laden squad matched a school-record with 25 wins of their own and took the court in the program’s second NCAA Division II Regional Championship game.

“It was powerful for the players and powerful for me as a coach. I really saw my team come together and show a connection,” said Fleig. “They refused to quit on each other and they picked each other up.”

The togetherness that was exemplified in that practice manifested itself in Millersville’s 53-52 win over No. 10 California (Pa.) in California’s Hamer Hall on Jan. 3. The win, which included a key late lay-up from Emily Balogh, snapped Cal’s 26-game home winning streak.

The combination of tenacious defense and offensive sparks from players like Raquel Green, Jenna Craig, Ashley Moyer, and redshirt freshman Mashira Newman allowed Millersville to run through conference play nearly unscathed.

Newman, twice named PSAC East Freshman of the Week, was a bit of an unexpected surprise for Fleig this season. “At the start of the season we didn’t know what we’d get from her, but she soaked in everything that was taught to her and she had great mentors in Moyer and (Aiesha) Bellamy,” said Fleig.

The rookie point guard scored in double-figures 18 times and registered 108 steals to break Safiyyah Bashir’s single-season freshman steals record that stood for 12 years.

And while Newman oftentimes played at a level well beyond her years, Fleig described the seniors as the glue that kept this team together. “All six of my seniors knew this would be their last hurrah. They led like it was their last chance and they played like it, too.”

A double-overtime loss to West Chester in PSAC Tournament quarterfinals dropped the Marauders from third to sixth in the NCAA Division II Atlantic Regional rankings and left the Black and Gold feeling slighted heading into the regional. As the sixth seed, Millersville’s road to the Sweet 16 began in, of all places, California. The Marauders knocked off third-seeded West Liberty 66-50 in the opening round of the tournament before sending the number two-seed Cal U packing. The Marauders’ victory set up a showdown with the top-ranked team in the nation, the 37-0 Gannon Lady Knights.

Gannon pulled away late for a 65-48 victory and advanced to the Elite Eight in St. Joseph’s, Missouri, but the accomplishments and memories of the historic season will continue to shine on.

Green was named to the All-PSAC East First Team for the first time in her career, while Craig and Moyer earned All-PSAC East Second Team recognition. In addition, Fleig was named PSAC East Coach of the Year for the sixth time and has received the award more than any other coach in PSAC history. The Marauders also finished the season ranked second in the nation in scoring defense, allowing just over 52 points per game.

“I still get choked up when I talk about [the team],” said Fleig. “I love all of them and I loved being around them. I am especially going to miss this senior class. They’ve meant so much to this program.”
Field hockey ranks at top
Second to none. That’s a claim the Millersville field hockey team can proudly make. After producing its most successful season on the field in more than a decade, the Millersville field hockey program earned recognition with the Gladiator by SGI / NFHCA Division II National Academic Team Award for ranking first among all NCAA Division II field hockey teams in GPA.

“I am very proud of our team and all of our players,” said second-year coach Shelly Behrens. “To be ranked No. 1 academically both at MU and in Division II field hockey—it is a true reflection of the players and all their efforts. I know we demand a lot of the girls and we ask them to be that program, that team, that teammate and player that does it the right way and gets the most of the experience.”

Behrens’ philosophy of demanding the best and encouraging each student-athlete to seize the opportunity has paid dividends. In the two years under her direction, the team has ranked in the top five nationally in academics, and in 2009, it finished the season ranked No. 10 for its performance on the field. It’s all been part of a dramatic turnaround. The team won 16 games over the last two years after winning just 17 in the four previous seasons combined.

“If you are going to do something, why not see how good you can be at it?” said Behrens. “I expect more of them than to be average in all we do. When they leave MU their goal isn’t to secure an average job, average spouse, make average money in a career, so why would they be an average student or hockey player?”

In the fall of 2009, the Marauders compiled a team GPA of 3.41, edging Bentley and Slippery Rock, which tied for second with a 3.38 GPA. Millersville made the jump to No. 1 after ranking fifth during Behrens’ first season. The team’s GPA boosted from 3.31 to 3.41 in 2009. Only five teams in Division II posted a GPA above 3.30 and 18 finished above 3.0.

Additionally, 14 individual Marauders were named to the Gladiator by SGI / NFHCA Division II National Academic Squad for achieving a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher.

Robinson wins PSAC gold
With an NCAA provisional qualifying time of 21.35 seconds, freshman Jeff Robinson captured gold in the 200-meter dash at the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Men’s and Outdoor Track and Field Championships on May 15. Robinson became the first Millersville male athlete to win a PSAC Championship event since Dan Ober in 2004 and the first to win the 200 in 14 years. Robinson, in his first year of competition, dethroned the 2009 PSAC champion Andrew McCloskey in the process. He also finished fourth in the 100-meter dash in 10.99, just .14 behind McCloskey, a two-time champion.
Bill Bailes

Over the last 25 years, much has changed in Millersville football. PSAC East Championships were won, NCAA Playoffs were reached, countless student-athletes played and graduated, and dozens of assistant coaches came and went.

Amidst the peaks and valleys of Millersville football, Bill Bailes ’59 has remained a constant. Bailes enters his 25th season with the football program in 2010, and at 80 years old, he’s believed to be the second oldest coach in collegiate football—behind only Penn State’s Joe Paterno. Bailes has served as the specialist’s coach, working with the punters, kickers and long snappers since 1986. He’s endured 143 wins, 103 losses and a tie.

It is remarkable that Bailes is still a fixture in the program. He is on his fourth head coach, but he remains because his reputation precedes him with every coach.

“I really found out about Bill by watching him in my first spring practice,” said head coach Greg Colby. “He knew what he was talking about and knew how to communicate. He was great with the kids. It didn’t take long for me to realize that this was a coach I’d want to keep around.”

“Bill is the epitome of persistence and dedication,” said assistant coach Ron Rankin, who has worked with Bailes for the last 11 years. “You can see it in everything he does. He went to school here, he’s lived in the area almost his entire life, and he’s been married to his wife for 55-plus years. When you are 80 years old, there’s a lot more you could be doing with your time, but he has great loyalty to the program. He loves working with the kids on a daily basis.”

After playing football one season at Millersville, he knew he wanted to be a college football coach, but his career just got started when most retire. In fact, Bailes has always led his life by his own timeline.

After three years in the U.S. Army, he enrolled at Millersville in 1953. He married Joanna the next year and temporarily dropped out of school.

Even while he was in college studying social studies, Bailes continued to carry full-time jobs. He worked as a night watchman, in a hatchery with chickens and at Penn Dairies. It could be said that his need to keep busy and his variety of jobs helped him meet Joanna.

“I had an apartment across from her home,” Bailes said. “I was working at Penn Dairies, and I would bring home ice cream, and we would have a little ice cream party on Fridays. My friend introduced us at one of those parties, and he was eventually the best man in our wedding.”

Bailes eventually returned to Millersville, and so did his wife. She worked as a nurse in the infirmary until she retired early after contracting lupus.

While a young coach named Gene Carpenter was building a powerhouse program at Millersville, Bailes taught social studies and volunteered as a football coach at Lampeter-Strasburg. He admired Carpenter’s program, and when he retired from teaching in 1986, a friend and staff member at Millersville, William Lauris, suggested that there might be an opening to work with kickers and help with academics.

The position was perfect for the former punter and teacher. He had already retired from one career, but he jumped at the chance to fulfill his dream of being a college football coach, even if it meant starting a new job at the age of 57.

Bailes was integral in Millersville football reaching unprecedented heights in the 1980s and 1990s. The Marauders won six PSAC Eastern Division titles.
Hosier caps career in style

Logic says that an incoming freshman is expected to progress and develop over four seasons of intercollegiate athletics. In too many cases that logic doesn’t hold true. Lindsay Hosier is not one of those cases. The 2010 Millersville graduate recently completed her senior season with the Marauder softball team and did so in record-breaking fashion.

Hosier, who started in 185 games for the Black and Gold in four seasons, set new career highs in batting average, runs scored, hits, doubles, triples, home runs, RBIs, total bases, and stolen bases during the her senior campaign of 2010—making her the new school record-holder in a number of single-season and career categories.

“There are only a handful of players that have made such an impact on the program,” said head coach Kathleen Cummings. “It’s not just the statistics and setting records, but it’s her leadership, and what she did for the future of the program will be her legacy.”

Hosier’s story wouldn’t be complete without having to face some adversity, however. It seems tough to call 2010 a comeback year for a player who hit .340 while playing in all 49 games in 2009. What many Millersville followers didn’t see was Hosier battling through injury. Hosier had her struggles in the field last year, mainly throwing the ball. It was discovered that the middle infielder had been playing with a torn labrum in her throwing shoulder and would undergo surgery following the season.

After completing an intense rehabilitation program in the fall, Hosier returned to the field fully healthy. She was able to make the most of her final season in a Millersville uniform. On the final day of her career, Hosier smacked her first-career grand slam.

“I haven’t coached a player that had more heart and desire that Lindsay,” said Cummings. “She was one of the best leaders I’ve ever had. For her to go through major surgery and get back on the field means a lot to me and to this program.”

For her efforts over the final week of the 2010 season, Hosier was named PSAC East Player of the Week for the first time in her career on April 19.

Perseverance, drive and dedication are three attributes Lindsay Hosier showed to the Millersville softball team throughout her career, and she undoubtedly leaves as big an imprint on the program as few others have.
Class Notes

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1940s

William E. Keim ’49, Perkasie, received the 10th annual Perkasie Historical Society Living History Award. In 1981, he retired as superintendent of Pennridge School District.

1950s

The 1950 11th Annual Mini-Reunion will be held on September 18, 1 p.m., at Bob & Mary Lehr’s home 608 Capri Road, Lancaster. Nominal charge. Directions and reservation form will be emailed. For further information, contact Bill Romans: 610-436-0842 --billyroma@verizon.net

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1960s


Edward L. Schoenberger ’64, ’70M, Littitz, successfully climbed Mt. Kilimanjaro in January. He used the Machame route, taking seven days to reach the height of 19,341 feet.

Joseph Kramer ’66, Columbia, was inducted into the Southeastern Pennsylvania Wrestling Hall of Fame. He coached at Norristown, Ridley, Sun Valley and Radnor schools for almost four decades.

1970s

Hugh Coffman ’70 and Patricia Leoniak ’71, Littitz, developed a free network and website, www.ReadMyNewz.com. The website was printed incorrectly in the spring issue of the Review.

Martin Finkel ’70, D.O., Cherry Hill, N.J., was honored as the 2010 recipient of the Ceric M. Mason Community Service Leader Award/Edward J. III Excellence in Medicine awards. He is a professor of pediatrics and co-founder of Child Abuse Research Educations and Service Institute at the University of Medicine and Dentistry, New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine.

James Miller ’70, Williamston, Mich., is an entomology professor at Michigan State University.

Susan Good ’71, Reedsville, Ohio, retired after 30 years as a youth services librarian with the Ocean County Library System.

Patricia ’71, Manahawkin, N.J., retired

1980s

James C. Halbleib ’73, San Mateo, Calif., was chosen by Risk and Insurance magazine as a 2010 property and casualty insurance “power broker.” He is employed by Edgewood Partners Insurance Center.

Kathleen Hohenadel ’74, ’78M, Columbia, was named executive director of The Susquehanna Valley Chamber of Commerce. She had been a math teacher for 35 years at the Northeastern Middle School in York County.

Richard Lucas ’74, ’88M, Kempner, Texas, received the Ft. Hood Volunteer of Merit and Officers’ Wives’ Club Volunteer of the Year awards for 2009.

Richard “Rick” Hohenwarter ’76, Newark, Del., was recognized as a winner of the 2008 U.S. Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

Mary Beth (Bowers) Purnell ’75, Fleetwood, retired from Daniel Boone School District after 35 years of teaching.

Richard “Rick” Hohenwarter ’76, Lancaster, joined T.J. Harris, Inc., a full-service construction management firm, as chief estimator.

Michael Panarella ’72, Medford, N.J., was named to the N.J. Coaches Hall of Fame. This is the fifth athletic hall of fame he has been inducted into, the first as a coach. He coached high school swimming with a combined record of 219 wins, 37 losses and 1 tie.

Barbara (Herbst) Servais ’72, Lecanto, Fla., has authored two books. How to Cope with Your Own Anger, Fear, Pain, Depression, and Stress was published in April 2009 and is available on Amazon. The other will be published soon.

David W. Martin ’59, St. Louis, Mo., was named Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania Volunteer of the Year for his service since the early 1990s. He is a former Pa. congressman.

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Claire Jurasek ’68, Phoenixville, retired from Methacton School District as an instructional technology support specialist in June 2009.

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Joseph M. Reichard ’78, Allentown, was promoted to assistant chief of the Lehigh County Juvenile Probation Department.

Debra L. (Glick) Rothermel ’78, ’83M, Lititz, was promoted to assistant professor of mathematics at Harrisburg Area Community College at the Lancaster campus.

John Friend ’79, Colebrook, was promoted to superintendent of Carlisle Area School District.

Christine Sable ’79, Lancaster, was appointed to the Coalition for Smart Growth board of directors. She is employed by Horst Realty.

Aldine (Weaver) Musser ’79, Stephens City, Va., was ordained for pastoral ministry in 2007 and was installed to serve on an overseer team in Northern District of Virginia Mennonite Conference in September 2009.

1980s

Will Lewis ’80, Seattle, Wash., was promoted to vice president of football operations for the Seattle Seahawks.

Gary A. Reynolds ’80, Lancaster, was named to the 2010 executive council for Raymond James Financial Services. He joined the firm in 1987.

Lorraine Y. (Doll) Runion ’80M, Murrells Inlet, S.C., joined the East Carolina Bank as chief administrative officer.

Timothy J. Moore ’81, Austin, Texas, is a professor of classics at the University of Texas. He delivered the annual Bernice L. Fox Classics Lecture at Monmouth College, N.J., in March.

Robert F. Pleis ’82, ’88M, Glen Mills, was named superintendent of Twin Valley School District.

Carol (Brehm) Pittaluga ’83, Cape May Court House, N.J., received the Teacher of the Year award from Dennis Township School District, where she teaches health for third through eighth grade.

Robert B. Brandon ’83, Lewisberry, was named senior vice president of underwriting operations for Penn National Insurance.

Charles Reid ’83, West Olive, Mich., was named Michigan’s Small Business Person of the Year and is in contention for the national U.S. Small Business Administration award. He is president of Charter House Innovations.

Scott Conn ’85, Lancaster, recorded his 1,000th carrier-arrested landing on board the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Nimitz. A captain in the U.S. Navy, he is only the 325th naval aviator to achieve this.

David Hails ’85, Apollo, serves as a wetlands expert and president/senior ecologist at Ecological Restoration, Inc.

Andrew Tuzzino ’85, Lancaster, was promoted to director of operations and film buyer for Penn Cinema. He was hired in 2006 as its first employee.

Barbara (Hill) Pierce ’86, McDonough, Ga., received Teacher of the Year Award for 2009-2010 for McDonough Elementary, where she teaches kindergarten. She earned her master’s degree in reading/literacy in May 2009.

Ronnette Comfort-Butler ’87, Lancaster, serves as sole pastor at Maytown Reformed UCC.

Carol (Bruckart) Brian ’88, Lancaster, was named “2010 Woman of the Year” by the Lancaster Area Express Network chapter of the American Business Women’s Association.

She is a financial services representative with MetLife.

Kimberly (Keyes) Holman ’88, Cape May Court House, N.J., received the Teacher of the Year award from Dennis Township School District, where she has taught for 21 years. She is a fourth grade resource room teacher.

Lorri (Mikula) Jandron ’88, Lansing, Mich., opened Edge Partnerships, a full-service marketing, public relations, branding, advertising and advocacy agency.

Heidi (Hirth) Mark ’88, Audubon, was inducted into the Phi Chapter of Alpha Epsilon Lambda National Honor Society for graduate students in April.

1990s

David Carollo ’91, ’98M, Tianjin, China, and wife, Alba ’91, work at the International School of Tianjin. Alba is the elementary principal, and David is a second-

Joseph Snedeker ’88, Scott Township, serves as meteorologist on WNEP-TV.

Retracing the steps on World War II battlefields


Guth served in World War II as part of the renowned “Band of Brothers” and was one of 140 men who formed the original ‘Easy Company’ of the 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne.

The book, Footsteps of the Band of Brothers: A Return to Easy Company’s Battlefields with Sgt. Forrest Guth, explores the living history of the places that made Easy Company a legend. Unfortunately, Guth passed away in August 2009, but Alexander “had the great pleasure of taking Forrest back to his old battlefields in Europe” on what would be Guth’s final tour. Alexander first connected with Guth when he wrote a story for the Millersville Review, winter issue 2001-02.


For more information about scheduled appearances and book signings, go to Larry Alexander’s website at www.vinniesguy.com.
ary science teacher. 

David M. Schulte ’91, Norfolk, Va., is working on his Ph.D. at the College of William and Mary, Virginia Institute of Marine Science. His research on native oyster populations in the Chesapeake Bay was accepted for publication in Science. 

Anthony W. Polini ’92, Downingtown, is an executive underwriter in commercial markets for ACE Environmental Risk in Philadelphia.

James Giocomo ’93, Salado, Texas, is the coordinator for the Oaks and Prairies Joint Venture in Texas and Oklahoma. The joint venture focuses on planning and facilitating the habitat conservation, research and outreach efforts to ensure sustainable populations of priority bird species in the region.

Amy (Braman) Giovannetti ’93, Livermore, Calif., sang the role of Musetta in Puccini’s “La Boheme” with the Virago Theatre in Alameda. She was also the soprano soloist for the Mozart version of Handel’s “Messiah” with the Ukiah Symphony in Ukiah, Calif.

Donald Stanton ’93, Mechanicsburg, was honored as Mechanicsburg Area School District’s 2010 Middle School Student Choice Award staff member. He is a sixth grade social studies at the school.

Chad Brubaker ’94, Royersford, accepted the post of head football coach at Spring-Ford High School.


Donald R. Geiter ’95, Lancaster, was promoted to partner at Barley Snyder law firm. He specializes in creditors’ rights and bankruptcy issues.

Jeff Palmer ’95, Philadelphia, received his master’s degree in quality assurance/regulatory affairs from the Temple School of Pharmacy in December 2009. He also received his Yoga Alliance 200-hour teacher certification from Kripalu in February. 

Jennifer J. Wheeler ’95, Aston, won the International Reading Association’s 2010 Broadcast Media Award for Television in the Children’s Programming category for her work on a K-12 reading initiative for students in the Delaware Valley. She serves as the manager for WHYY-TV’s educational programs and services.

Patrick Leahy ’97, Washington, D.C., joined the U.S. Election Assistance Commission as senior advisor.

Adam J. Barkafski ’98, Lancaster, owns Dream Seed Multimedia, which designs, hosts and maintains websites for small businesses and nonprofit organizations. He presented several workshops for Lancaster’s SCORE.

Carolyn F. Schroeder ’98, Alexandria, Va., received a Fulbright Scholarship for her graduate work at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Mark Cote ’99, Millersville, was appointed as head of the Lancaster County Christian School.

Gwen (Kuechler) Roschel ’99, Lancaster, serves as a cash analyst in the finance division of PJM Interconnection, Inc., in Norristown.

2000s

Joseph Nolt III ’01, Lancaster, serves as a psychiatric social worker with Lancaster General Health.

John Wagaman ’01, College Station, Texas, earned his doctorate in statistics from Texas A&M University, and he received the Distinguished Graduate Student Award for Teaching Excellence.

Jessica (Chladny) Gauthier ’02, Macungie, had a story published in Chicken Soup for the Soul: Thanks Mom.

In May, on the famed steps of the Philadelphia Art Museum where Rocky sprinted to the top were filled with college graduates who attended area colleges and universities. When Michael Nutter became mayor of the city of brotherly love, he challenged the city with a commitment to education. His goal was to double the college attainment rate in five to 10 years. To achieve this goal, the PhilleyGoes2College campaign was born.

The event dubbed “Philadelphia: A City of Graduates” took place on May 14, and the graduates were invited to a city-wide class photo by Mayor Nutter. Ten Millersville University students from the class of 2010, who reside in Philadelphia, participated in the event. Also in attendance were Millersville’s Dwight Horsey, assistant vice president for student affairs and director of financial aid, and William Redmond, assistant vice president for academic services—and Bill Cosby.

(Back row, left to right) Dwight Horsey, Dana Faulks, Chester Holland, Minor Redmond, Rose Hughes and Zelophehad Scott. (Front row, l to r) Lula Defersha, Tyreeca Eleby, Mayor Nutter, Lauren Burroughs, Britt Caswell and Karlin Jones.

Philadelphia: A city of graduates
Tiffany E. Wright ‘02M, York, won the 2009-2010 Phi Delta Kappa International Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award. Her research was published in the May issue of Kappan magazine, one of the leading education policy journals in the country. She was the keynote speaker at Millersville University’s commencement for master’s degree graduates.

Chad D. Brubaker ‘03, Lititz, was named head football coach at Spring-Ford High School.


Marie Cartwright ‘04, Highspire, serves as outreach and communications coordinator for Susquehanna Gateway Heritage Area in Wrightsville, which promotes the cultural and economic value of the region.

Christine Ferreira ‘04, Portland, Ore., joined the Good Morning Cleveland team as a meteorologist.

Justin Rule ‘04, Lancaster, is founder and director of Heads Up Lancaster, a nonprofit urban arts program. He also serves as a science teacher at Manos House Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Services, Inc.

Denise Lee Harbaugh ‘05, York, received her M.D. degree from Penn State College of Medicine. Christopher Lituma ‘03, Fairless Hills, has begun graduate studies in the wildlife and fishery science program at Texas A&M University.

Trevor Pope ‘05, Lancaster, was promoted to golf shop manager at Crossgates Golf Club. Tina (Buchman) Svencer ‘05, Macungie, teaches biology at Emmaus High School in the East Penn School District. Justin J. Veisz ‘05, Doylestown, has been a graphic designer for FastSigns in Oxford Valley for the past five years.

Tyler L. Gensler ‘06, Newville, teaches art at Monroe and Middlesex elementary schools in the Cumberland Valley School District.

Johanna Holm ‘06, Dryden, N.Y., and Dr. Jean Boal recently presented several papers on cephalopod behavior at the International Ethological Conference in Rennes, France.

Jennifer Hong ‘06, Sinking Spring, joined Century 21 Park Road in Spring Township, as a realtor. She received her real estate license in January.

Amory (Bennett) Mumbauer ‘06, Churchville, is a student in the physician assistant program at Salus University.

Diane (Thomas) Poillon ‘06M, Pequea, joined the board of directors of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce & Industry. She is president and COO of Willow Valley Associates.

Jonathan Kremser ‘07, Montoursville, is attending Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry.

Isaias Rodriguez ‘07, Lancaster, was a recipient of a 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award from McCaskey High School. He is a teacher at King Elementary School.

Katie White ‘07, Morrisville, is a special education teacher in the Central Bucks School District.

Nicholas Brubaker ‘08, Newark, Del., was awarded a prestigious National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. He is a Ph.D. student in applied mathematics at the University of Delaware.

Biren Juthani ‘08, Lancaster, is attending medical school at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Jason Ryndock ‘08, Boiling Springs, submitted a manuscript on flower development in the Mexican Spiderwort for publication in Botanical Review.

Jillian Brinser ‘09, New London, spent last summer as a teaching assistant at Shoals Marine Laboratory in Maine and is now employed at Cornell University.

Lisa Clark ‘09, Airville, is teaching high school biology in West York County.

Sonia Jones ‘09, Akron, is a student in the Master of Arts Program in dance education at New York University.

Kristin Ketchell ‘09, Medford, Ore., joined KDRV-TV and delivered weekday morning weather forecasts.

Patrice Reeder Martin ’85 married Greg Kauffman on 8/2/09. From left to right: Steve Lynch, Brenda (Hausamann) Lynch ’85, Dr. Susan Ingram ’85, Jeffery Mann, Patrice Reeder Martin (bride), Greg Kauffman (groom,) Phillip Heckman, Colleen (Murphy) Heckman ’85, David Wert, Dr. Dina (Geracimos) Wert ’85, Gwyn (Hallberg) Oberholtzer ’81 and Brian Oberholtzer ’85.

Erin O’Donnell ‘09, Glenolden, is working as a cell banking/cell therapy assistant at WuXi AppTec in Philadelphia.

Nelly Torres ‘09, Lancaster, joined the board of directors and is now employed at Cornell University.

Lauren Wegrzyniak ’09, New Cumberland, is attending the University of Pennsylvania Dental School.
Marriages

Michael Mercado ‘01 and Ashley Rizzo, 11/28/09.
Michelle Salach ‘04 and Michael Machuzick, 5/30/09.
Megan Ginder ‘07 and Denis Quirk ‘08, 8/1/09.
Brandi Burrows ‘08 and Michael Kabacinski, 6/20/09.

Births

Stacy (Laubach) Zabroski ‘89 and husband Richard, a son, Adam Victor, on 1/10/10.
Sharyn (Smith) Wilson ‘90 and husband Ben, a son, Oscar Benjamin, on 2/6/09.
Erica (Newcomer) Canuel ‘91, ‘00M and husband Brian, a daughter, Kylie Madison, on 4/14/05.
Chris Brindell-Watt ‘91 and wife Maggie, a son, Nolan Michael, on 8/30/08.
Heather Conlon-Keller ‘93 and husband Mark, twin daughters, Piper Eilene and Rowan Eleanor, on 1/28/10.

Bethany (Shoreman) Zechman ‘98 and husband Kenneth, a son, Owen Kenneth, on 6/2/09.
Kathleen (Smyser) Livengood ‘94 and husband Evan, a son, Collin David, on 7/7/09.
Wendy (Bailey) Bogansky ‘96 and husband John, twin daughters, Lucy Michelle and Carly Johna, on 9/17/09.
Megan (Smith) Shaffer ‘96 and husband Christopher ‘98, a son, Lukas Samuel, on 10/27/09.
Michael Betsko ‘97 and wife Heather (Bomberger) ‘00, a son, Marek Ryan, on 1/29/10.
Barbara (Mattern) Conner ‘97 and husband John, a daughter, Camryn Grace, on 2/3/10.
Carol (Kline) Cox ‘97, ‘03M and husband Anthony ‘97, a daughter, Katelyn Laura, on 12/27/09.
Julie (Willard) McCarron ‘97 and husband Nicholas, a son, Micah Blake, on 5/1/09.
Courtney (Messick) Jayne ‘98 and husband Timothy, a daughter, Caroline Elizabeth, on 4/16/10.
Amy (Taylor) Schoettle ‘98 and husband Matt, a son, Jack Matthew, on 7/22/09.

Nicolle Marcolongo ‘05 and Jeffrey Meehan ‘04 were married on 5/16/09.

Matthew Suter '04 and wife Kristina (Wells) '04, a daughter, Keira Lynn, on 6/22/09.
Kristen (Soles) Schropp '05 and fiancé Christopher Bianchi, twins, Thomas Jefferson and Teresa Marie, on 10/27/09.
Ryan Flannery '06 and wife Jenna (Wallace) '07, a son, Gabriel Ryan, on 12/14/09.
Peter McRobbie '07 and wife Leslie (Weber) '07, a daughter, Kristen (Soles) Schropp '05, on 6/22/09.
Matthew Suter '04 and wife Kristina (Wells) '04, a daughter, Keira Lynn, on 6/22/09.

Deaths

Evelyn L. Brown '33, New Oxford, died on 3/16/10, at the age of 96. She was a retired elementary school teacher for the Neshaminy School District.
Miriam F. Cocks '34, Coral Springs, Fla., died on 11/13/09. She was a retired teacher at Springs, Fla., died on 11/13/09.
Arlington, Va., died on 8/23/09, Patricia (Schank) Overcash '62, a daughter, Joanne (Manifold) Laning '46, a daughter, Kristina (Wells) '04, Matthew Suter '04, and wife Teresa Marie, on 10/27/09.

Remembrances

Robert S. Shaak, died on 5/27/10, at the age of 82. He joined Millersville University in 1962 and retired in 1992 as associate professor of mathematics, emeritus. He also served as the chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science from 1975-1982. Remembrances may be made in Shaak's memory to the Non-Traditional Student Scholarship Endowment at Millersville University or the Mental Health Association, Tim Swisher Fund, 30 Janet Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17601, or to Hospice of Lancaster County.

Dr. William W. Moyer died on 6/14/10, at the age of 61. A professor of psychology emeritus, he was on the Millersville University faculty from 1977 till his retirement in 2008. For 10 of those years, he served as chair of the psychology department. His community involvement included serving as a consultant with the Lancaster Theological Seminary, Public Defender's Office, Prospectus, Smith and Robson Forensic Engineers and Scientists, Community Services Group and the Memtest Corporation. He also volunteered with the Lancaster Red Cross Disaster Relief Unit locally and in Puerto Rico where he provided psychological services to relief workers.

Past yearbooks available

The Touchstone, Millersville University's yearbook, has limited copies available for the years of 1958-2008. Each volume is available at the cost of $40 per book, which includes postage and handling in the continental U.S.

Contact the Touchstone office directly at 717-872-3517 (voice mail available 24/7) or email them at myyearbook@yahoo.com to determine availability of the yearbook(s) that you wish to purchase.

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For Glenn and Karen Stickles, Millersville University has provided the foundation for their 28-year marriage and their meaningful careers in banking.

Glenn Stickles is a MU alumnus who graduated in 1975 with a degree in secondary mathematics education, while Karen considers herself an alumnus by marriage. Over the years, they have enjoyed attending campus events such as the holiday music programs.

“Millersville certainly enriched both my and Karen’s life. Although I decided not to teach math, I moved into a career in math and computers; I met Karen when we worked together at a bank,” said Glenn.

In the late 1970’s, Glenn was working in collections at National Central Bank, while Karen was working in computer operations. The math added up and the two began dating and married a few years later.

Anyone who knows about banking knows the financial industry has had a lot of ups and downs. The Stickles have worked in the banking industry for more than a quarter of a century. They have worked at many banks in the area such as National Central Bank, Hamilton Bank, CoreStates Bank and Wells Fargo Bank—through acquisitions, mergers, name changes and reorganization.

“We have learned how to be flexible,” says Glenn. “I think Millersville taught me to adapt to change.” Glenn explains, “even though I took a different career path than education, my experiences at Millersville gave me the basis for the training programs I work on and interaction with technology users. The mathematics I studied provided the logical and abstract thought processes needed for technical programming and development.”

Now in their 50s, the Stickles began to think about the legacy they wanted to leave behind. Because they do not have children of their own, the Stickles wanted to help young people have the enriching experience of a Millersville education, through a bequest to Millersville University.

When their attorney asked them who would be their beneficiary, the Stickles came to a mutual decision: Millersville University.

“We didn’t decide to do it for the recognition. We wanted to help students who might not have the financial means to attend college by providing opportunity,” says Karen, who personally wishes she had been able to afford college when she was young.

The Stickles decided to make their scholarship fund available to any student who needed financial help.

“Karen and I have interests in certain areas of academics, but we decided not to stipulate a particular path and keep our donation more general,” says Glenn. Karen notes, they may not actually get to see the benefits of the gift, but they like knowing that others will appreciate their gift one day.

“Our bequest to Millersville gives us the satisfaction that the fruits of our labor will be used in a positive way—pay it forward, so to speak,” says Glenn. “It’s a legacy that means a lot to us,” adds Karen.
Plan now for your return to your alma mater for Homecoming weekend: October 21-23! The fall ritual features a calendar of events for varied interests, including:

- A Cultural Showcase featuring dance, food and music
- Civic Engagement Banquet and Keynote Speaker
- Distinguished Nursing Lecture and alumni reception
- Alumni & Friends Golf Outing
- MU Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner
- Ad Astra Reunion Reception: classes who have graduated 50 or more years ago from Millersville
- Football vs. East Stroudsburg
- Fall Fling (in the parking garage): an event that includes games, crafts, and much more!
- Millersville Community Parade
- Men’s and Women’s Basketball Reunions
- Wrestling Reunion
- MAK Reunion
- Cheerleaders Reunion
- School of Science and Mathematics Gathering
- School of Education Alumni Gathering
- School of Humanities and Social Sciences Alumni Gathering
- Pig Roast (post football game w/beer!)
- Campus Recreation Reunion

A more detailed list of Homecoming offerings and a reservation form will be included in the fall Review and online at www.villealumni.com