Alumni Celebrate Over 50 Years of Friendship
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The story of the four Marauders who have stayed friends for over 50 years—Dick Hibshman ’67, Sandy Guilfoyle ’68, Jim DiCicco ’68 and Marty Moore ’68—continues. When last interviewed, the alumni were just beginning to retire from teaching and coaching.

The friends first met when they were assigned to live on the same floor in Bard Hall, and they got to know each other when they all played football for the University. Additionally, they all majored in education, with Hibshman, DiCicco and Moore focusing on social studies and Guilfoyle interested in science.

The time in the dorms was memorable for the roommates, as they didn’t shy away from socializing with each other and with their peers. Hibshman admits they occasionally got up to mischief, including a time when they played a prank on their resident assistant for conducting a surprise room inspection on a Friday night. One CPR mannequin later, the embarrassed RA started saving his inspections for Saturdays instead.

As upperclassmen, the four friends moved off campus together into a house near Wabank Road. Hibshman attributes this time, along with their time playing football, to what really made their friendship strong. “During those two years in the house, we covered for each other,” he says fondly. “We counted on each other for almost everything.”

The reunions started as the friends began to get married. Each roommate was in the others’ weddings. The couples would often get together for dinner at a restaurant in the Lancaster or Philadelphia area. As their immediate families began to grow, a few reunions were held to include their children in the tradition as well.

To this day, the couples still get together for dinner, usually meeting each other halfway at a restaurant in King of Prussia. The roommates met recently, in fact, and are happy to report updates about their families and lives.

Sandy and Pam Guilfoyle have been married for 48 years. They have one son, Brant, and two grandchildren. Sandy taught for 40 years, and coached football at MU for several years.

Jim and Claire DiCicco have been married for 49 years. They have three children: Jimmy, Jenny and Chrissie, and they have seven grandchildren. Jim taught for 39 years in New Jersey, coaching football at Gloucester Catholic High School and Temple University for the same amount of time.

Marty and Toni Moore have been married for 51 years, and they have one daughter, Holly. Marty taught for 40 years at Springford High School and Phoenixville High School and coached football for 35 years.

Dick and Joyce Hibshman ’69 have been married for 53 years, and they have one son, Mark. The Hibshmans both taught for 30 years, and Dick ran the Hibshman Driving School for an additional 25. Hibshman also coached football at MU from 1967-70, then coached wrestling at Penn Manor for 25 years and golf for seven years.

Hibshman also recently wrote an autobiography, titled “Rustbelt Refugee.” The memoir explains his time growing up in western Pennsylvania and the challenges and achievements along his life journey.

Above: Joyce Hibshman, Pam Guilfoyle, Sandy Guilfoyle, Claire DiCicco, Jim DiCicco, Toni Moore, Dick Hibshman and Marty Moore in 2021.