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Honored as Distinguished Service Award Winners for 1987 were William H. Bolger and John F. Rees, both Class of '38.

Our models for the simulated '50s photo were Chris Stoeffler and Mary Beth Ritchie, the friendly couple on the right, and at the left, Bryan Smith and Robin Beaver, all current students. The period auto, an unrestored '49 Nash in original condition, was loaned by Rev. Kent Krause of East Petersburg, Pa. The Millersville letterman sweaters belong to Roy Garland '53 and Walt Kreider '52.

Letters

My warmest thanks to you (Robert Coley) for the most interesting report on the library entitled "20 Years Old in September" appearing in the Spring 1987 issue of *Millersville Review*.

I thank you also for your kind thoughts about me in "The Legacy of Helen A. Ganser."

The publication is very creditable and I shall remember you for your contributions. Again I thank you for all you have done and are doing in connection with *Millersville's* contribution to the library world.

Helen A. Ganser

Congratulations on the excellent Spring 1987 issue of the *Millersville Review*. I very much appreciate the excellent job in reflecting the strengths of our School of Science and Mathematics, the stimulating academic and cultural climate at *Millersville University*, and the positive momentum we are enjoying. Please extend my expression of thanks and commendation to all of your staff who helped create the Spring 1987 issue.

Al Forsyth

Millersville University Provost

The Bachelor of Science in Nursing article on page 7 of your spring issue is a reminder that a program for School Nurses began at MU under the aegis of the late Professor Sanders P. McComsey.

During the period just before he passed away we had discussed such a program. He told me that if I secured 30 nurses, he would see that a program for school nurses would be inaugurated.

I secured 30 nurses and the program began. On the day of his death in the '50s, he wrote to me commending the start of the program.

Hazel Palmer Rodenhauser '31

Mark Your Calendar Campus Events of Fall '87

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| Sept. 12 | Opening Football Game, 7:30 p.m. vs. Shepherd College (<i>Possible date or time change</i>). |
| Sept. 26 | Parents' Day—Football vs. East Stroudsburg. |
| Oct. 1-3
8-11 | Citamard Players present <i>The Brazilian</i> . |
| Oct. 10 | Homecoming—Football vs. Mansfield. Reunions, parties, etc. Ganser "Book Walk" Reunion. |
| Oct. 19 | Lecture by Susan Newman (daughter of Paul Newman), director of Scott Newman Alcohol and Drug Rehabilitation Center. |
| Oct. 29 | "Dracula," presented by National Players. |
| Oct. 31 | Football vs. Kutztown. |
| Nov. 9 | MU Constitutional Bowl. |
| Nov. 12-14
19-22 | Citamard Players present <i>The Male Animal</i> . |
| Nov. 14 | Football vs. Shippensburg. |
| November | Ballet Monte Carlo (<i>Date TBA</i>). |

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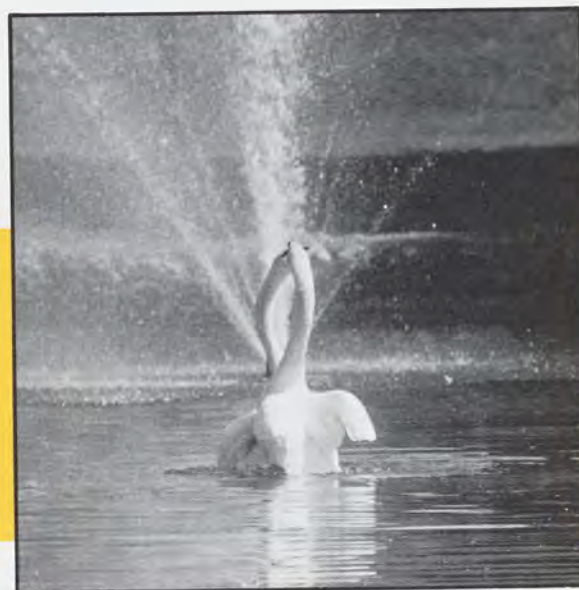
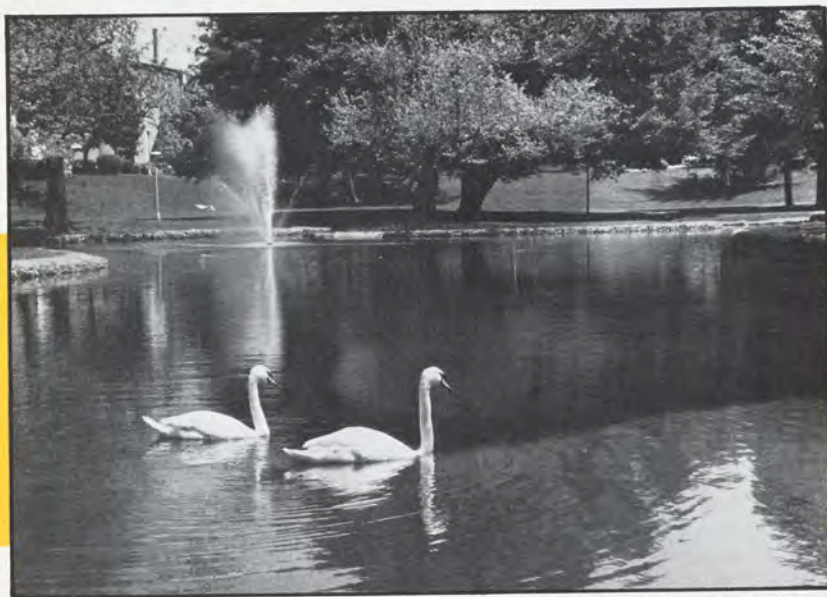
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Campus News

Our New Swans Meet "Miller" and "Seville"



The new swans on the pond are becoming acquainted with their new surroundings. At right, the photographer was present to catch the pair bonding ritual which follows mating.

Fred is dead and the Widow Ralph has moved to Michigan. But the tradition of swans on the Millersville pond lives on in the beautiful forms of Miller and Seville.

Fred, the cob, died on March 23, possibly from malnutrition. Up in years, he was going blind, which may have hindered him from locating his food. Fred arrived at Millersville in 1978 when he met his first mate, Ethel. After contributing to the production of three cygnets in 1979, and after Ethel's demise in 1980, Fred took up with Ralph, an unmated female with a silly name who had been born on the Millersville pond but raised on a local farm. The pair remained cygnetless but content.

Upon Fred's demise, Ralph was taken to Pitchfork Valley Farms in Delton, Michigan, where the presence of 10 unmated cobs would give her a second opportunity to choose a mate. Two royal

mute swans were purchased for Millersville.

Probably confused by their first airplane ride and unaccustomed to their new surroundings, Miller and Seville made several escape attempts soon after their arrival at Millersville, once reaching Frederick Street before being directed back to the pond. But the wandering has stopped and the lovely birds have settled into their new home nicely. A "name the swans" contest was run by the *Snapper* with "Miller" (the male) and "Seville" (the female) receiving the most votes.

The pair had previously produced cygnets in Michigan, so there is every reason to believe they will do so in their MU habitat. Recently, in fact, they were seen breeding and performing their pair bonding displays (a ritual of monogamous birds after they have bred). Now, many eyes are watching for signs of nest

building and hoping that 1987 will reinstate the annual appearance of baby swans which once delighted summer visitors at the campus lake. The decision to go out of state for the swans was made in order to introduce new stock into Lancaster County where inbreeding may be hampering swan parenthood. Miller and Seville almost surely will have offspring, which when mature, will be purchased eagerly by local breeders.

In the meantime, for those who are eager to see young birds once again on the Millersville pond, a visiting mallard has hatched 11 ducklings by the pond. The mallards can be seen swimming and feeding on the pond in the company of Miller and Seville, who, at first reluctantly, but now willingly are sharing their home. Maybe the prolific example of the mallard will be inspirational.

MU Foundation: Assets Top \$1 Million

The Millersville University Foundation has reached a milestone in its history. On or about January 21, 1987, its total assets topped the \$1 million mark.

Founded in 1966, the Foundation is a University-related organization with its own board of directors, which handles bequests and other endowed gifts on behalf of the University. The Foundation invests the principal from more than 100 separate accounts, most of them created to give annual awards or scholarships to Millersville students. Each year, the earnings are distributed to worthy students or other projects.

On January 1 of this year, the annual report showed assets of slightly over \$955,000. The quarterly report of April 1 indicated Foundation assets of \$1,064,856. A major jump in the stock market in early January brought the Foundation to the \$1 million point early

in the year.

For many years, the investment committee of the Foundation was headed by John Rees '38. During the past ten years, the Foundation grew from a principal of less than \$200,000 and annual income of less than \$13,000, to figures five times those amounts. Rees recently retired from the investment committee chairmanship and Anton Hess '36 assumed the post. The chairman of the board of directors is Dan Shoemaker '52.

Making decisions about investments is a major responsibility and an interesting one. The *Review* is planning an article addressing that subject as well as the Foundation's other activities in a future issue. Until then, for more information about the Foundation or about making bequests to the University, contact any Foundation board member or the University Advancement Office at 872-3775.

Goal is Near!

1986-87 Annual Fund Nearing End.

With donations still coming, the Millersville Annual Fund was just \$20,000 short of its \$350,000 goal for 1986-87. Annual fund director, Regis ("Chip") Kirchner was optimistic about reaching the overall goal as long as contributions do not taper off in the final weeks.

"Most importantly," said Kirchner, "the number of overall contributors is up by almost one thousand this year. That involvement indicates a growing interest and confidence in Millersville and we all feel very good about that."

"This year we stressed unrestricted gifts, announcing in advance that the funds would be used for scholarships, for Ganser Library projects, for alumni program support, academic programs, lectureships and student affairs programs. Many donors responded with unrestricted gifts, which gives the University the flexibility to help areas most in need."

The fund's alumni portion had reached \$115,500, almost 95 percent of its \$120,500 goal. Kirchner said he was sure the alumni fund goal would be met. He indicated that the Parent's Fund will

probably double its goal of \$7500 and that the employee segment was close.

In its second year, the Senior Class Campaign for 1987 had raised \$2,200 by June 1, already over its goal of—appropriately enough—\$1,987. These funds will be used to further landscape and beautify the area around the Alumni Court and Bell Tower after the Student Memorial Center's expansion is completed.

"Most encouraging," said Kirchner, "is the substantial increase in support from friends and businesses, people that don't have the 'natural' ties to the University that alumni, parents, employees and students have. The Friends' Fund is at \$28,000, already surpassing its \$15,000 goal. The interest of friends and businesses in MU's quality programs is reflected in their growing support."

There is still time to make your gift in the 1986-87 campaign year. Just have your gift in the mail by June 30. Checks should be written to Millersville University and sent to The Annual Fund, Millersville University, Millersville, PA 17551-0302.

Annual Fund Assistant

Kathryn J. Naegele, former coordinator for alumni and student services at Temple University's School of Communications and Theater, has become Millersville's assistant director of development. Naegele works on Annual Fund activities such as the University's phonathons, the Parents' and the Friends' Funds.



Kathryn Naegele

At Temple, she coordinated alumni-related activities of the School of Communications and Theater, assisted with editing the alumni newspaper, maintained a system for job placement of radio-television-film alumni and served as the assistant manager of Temple's Telefund.

A former Weatherly (Pa.) resident, Naegele graduated with honors from Temple in 1983.

Annual Conference Understanding the Holocaust

Elizabeth Holtzman, Brooklyn District Attorney and a former U.S. Congresswoman, was the keynote speaker for Millersville University's sixth annual Conference on the Holocaust April 5-6.

Each year, this nationally recognized event brings to campus some of the best known scholars of the Holocaust. All told, some 25 speakers were scheduled during the conference which attracted more than 250 registrants and drew widespread publicity. The theme this year was "Understanding the Holocaust."

In her presentation, Holtzman said that the U.S. Government should make every effort to track down Nazi war criminals living in this country. Noting a worldwide indifference to the Holocaust, she said this indifference is best exemplified by the continued presence of Nazi war criminals in the U.S. and by the general indifference with which that presence is met.

New Dining Areas

Changes to Gordinier

Gordinier Dining Hall is in the midst of major renovations that, when finished, will provide additional and more modern dining areas.

Workers will be concentrating first on renovations to the student dining rooms (McKee and Mulcaster), which must be completed by the opening of school in late August. Until then, all food services functions, will be held in Lyle Hall

John Roscoe, director of food services, outlined other changes to be completed during the fall. They include renovations to Lehr Room and the creation of four smaller rooms in the space now occupied by Kline: two which will seat up to 88 for a meeting and 48 for a meal, one that will accommodate 120 for a meeting and 88 for a meal and an executive dining area for 12 to 16 persons. Each of the areas will be decorated in the warm colors scheme already installed on the first floor.

The availability of four more areas will allow the University to schedule luncheon groups and conferences on weekdays, functions that can not be accommodated with the present arrangement of rooms.

According to Roscoe, student dining can be consolidated into the large double rooms making up half of the second floor by using a scramble food-serving system. Already in place at Lyle, the scramble system uses numerous food stations instead of the more traditional cafeteria line. Also, tables of various sizes will be installed which will create additional seating space.

The largest of the new rooms will be the "Old Main Room" and include three restored stained-glass windows from Old Main: Ceres (Goddess of Agriculture), Christianity, and Faith. The area now known as Lehr dining room will be used by faculty and staff for lunch and for large banquets.

"Our goal is to develop a state-of-the-art dining and catering center for students, faculty, and visitors," Roscoe explained. "We hope to take Gordinier from a conventional institutional dining setting to a contemporary social environment."

Break with Tradition

No Happy Ending Musical This Year



Citamard and the All-Campus-Musical enthusiasts joined forces for a different Spring Musical.

The Millersville University Spring Musical. The mere thought conjures up images of gaily costumed students filling the Lyte Auditorium stage, singing, dancing and acting through a lighthearted Broadway musical with a guaranteed happy ending, much to the delight of the hundreds of people in the audience.

This year with the production of *The Threepenny Opera* the students of ACMO, the All-Campus Musical Organization, intentionally broke tradition.

"They came to me," says Dr. Paul Talley, director of *The Threepenny Opera* and adviser to the campus theatre organizations, "and made it clear they did not want to do another Rogers and Hammerstein-type musical. They wanted to team up with the Citamard Players (the student theatre group) and use the Rafters Theatre instead of Lyte Auditorium."

The Rafters is Citamard's turf—an intimate little theatre on top of Dutcher Hall. Because of the greatly diminished seating and stage capacity of the Rafters, the question became "Which musical?"

Hair, *Jesus Christ Superstar* and several other productions were considered and then, for reasons of space, production capabilities, and so forth, rejected. In the process of elimination, *The Threepenny Opera* ("The *Hair* of my generation," Talley says) floated to the top.

What evolved, then, was not a musical

brimming with boy meets girl, boy loses girl, boy gets girl back, hurray, clap clap, and not a musical performed for nearly a thousand people at a time, but a musical built on scathing social satire, couched in biting humor and performed for audiences of slightly more than 100 for each of ten performances.

Bertolt Brecht's *The Threepenny Opera* asks "Who are the true criminals and what are the real crimes in society?" Is Macheath, the blatant murderer, any worse than Peachum, the legitimate (in the eyes of the law) "King of the Beggars" who uses his power to exploit the poor, or Police Commissioner Tiger Brown, who aids and abets the criminal elements of society?

The Threepenny Opera had its origins in London in 1728 as John Gay's anti-sentimental ballad opera, *The Beggar's Opera*. Brecht's adaptation had Peachum's Beggars representing the brown-shirt gangs of the Nazi Party. *The Threepenny Opera* (containing Kurt Weill's popular *Mack the Knife*) became an overnight sensation when it opened in 1928 in Berlin.

The laughs are there in *The Threepenny Opera*, but the serious issues raised are the meat of this musical. Whether Beggars or Nazis, whether 18th or 20th century, whether performed in the Old or New World, the message still stands, and the questions are still being asked.

Tradition Resumed MU Earth Day

World-famed ecologist Daniel H. Janzen was on campus in April as the featured speaker for Millersville University's first Earth Day since the 1970's.

Janzen, who spent 20 years working in Costa Rica, is a professor of biology at the University of Pennsylvania. He said that survival of 115 species of mammals, 175 species of breeding birds, 100 species of reptile and amphibians and 4,000 species of insects is at stake in the tropical dry forest of Costa Rica. He is working with the Nature Conservancy to regenerate and preserve that habitat.

He said that farmers must stop destroying the forest with fire and that seeds should be planted and saplings protected. Approximately \$8 million is needed, he said, to purchase and reforest farms that separate the small pockets of forest near Santa Rosa National Park in northwest Costa Rica.

Millersville regularly observed Earth Day in the 1970's, but this was the first one in the '80's. It was sponsored by MU's environmental club, Priority.

Father Martin Expert on Alcoholism

Father Joseph C. Martin, a nationally-known expert on alcoholism, attracted a full house in Lyte Auditorium for a program co-sponsored by Millersville University's Wellness Committee and the Lancaster County MH/MR Drug Abuse Program. His appearance was supported by a grant from Alumax Aluminum Corporation—Mill Products.

Martin, whose address focused on alcoholism and the family, is noted for his film "Chalk Talk on Alcohol" which he produced for the U.S. Navy in 1972.

In his address, he said many families still subscribe to the "half truth" that if the alcoholic just puts down the bottle, everything will be fine. However, studies show that the illness of any given family member affects the entire family.

According to Martin, "whole families of alcoholics need treatment" and therapy is available from such self-help groups as Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon.

Dean of Ed. Named



Dr. Nancy J. Smith, associate head of the curriculum and instruction department at Kansas State University, has been named dean of the School of Education at Millersville University.

Her appointment is effective August 1. She replaces Dr. James E. Maurey who retired earlier this year.

Smith, chosen dean following a nationwide search, has a distinguished record of teaching, scholarship and service at Kansas State University. Much of her scholarly work is in the area of reading education. Before going to Kansas State in 1978, Smith was a reading instructor at the University of Georgia. Earlier, she taught at the elementary and secondary levels.

She is the author of numerous publications and is a regular presenter at professional conferences such as the American Education Research Association, the International Reading Association, the National Reading and Language Arts Educators' Conference, the National Council of Teachers of English, and the National Women's Studies Association Conference.

Smith received a bachelor's degree in secondary English at the University of West Florida, and master's and doctoral degrees in reading education at the University of Georgia.

Pearman Resigns

Millersville's long-time dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Dr. William A. Pearman, has accepted a position as vice president for academic affairs at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Connecticut.

Pearman said that he would miss the many deep personal relationships he developed with MU staff over the years. However, he stated that he was excited about the future and the opportunity to build programs at and to solidify the base of an already fine university.

Pearman has been a member of the MU faculty and administration for the past 15 years. From 1972 to 1976 he was chairperson of the sociology/anthropology department. He became dean of Social Sciences in 1973 and dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1980.

MU Faculty - In the News

Dr. Manwoo Lee, professor of political science, spoke on "The Soviet Policy in East Asia and Korean Security" during a conference of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, D.C. He also chaired a panel, entitled "Human Rights in Korea," during the conference.

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Dr. Paul W. Ross of the mathematics and computer science department is the author of a new "Study Guide With BASIC." The guide accompanies "Essentials of Data Processing," a textbook by Nancy A. Floyd.

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Dr. Albert Hoffman, dean of the School of Science and Mathematics, and Dr. Samuel Ha, biology department chairperson, visited the People's Republic of China to negotiate a faculty exchange agreement with Northeast University of Technology in Shenyang. While in China, they visited a number of major cities as guests of the University.

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Dr. James Stager, chairperson of the mathematics and computer science department, was named vice-chairperson of the Pennsylvania Association of Computer and Information Science Educators.



by Greg Wright

Young Min Kwon '88



At the Nationals: One Win Short

After winning five straight in the NCAA Div. II national tournament, Millersville's All-American tennis player, Young Min Kwon, seeded first, was upset by fifth-seeded Pat Emmet of Rollins College. Both first and second finishers are invited to the Division I national tournament in Georgia, so Kwon's outstanding 1987 season wasn't quite over at press time.

Kwon, a 5'7" junior from Philadelphia, transferred to Millersville from South Carolina in January 1986 and waited a year to be eligible. The 1987 PSAC champion in both singles and doubles, Kwon has another year in which to try again for the national title. His coach, Jim Overbaugh, describes him as "the finest tennis player ever to compete for Millersville University."

Spring Sports Review

The success enjoyed by Millersville's intercollegiate sports during the fall and winter seasons carried over to the spring. Several Marauder squads competed in league tournament play and others showed improvement from previous years.

Tennis

Led by the nation's top-ranked NCAA Division II player, junior Young Min Kwon, and freshman standout Oliver Merrill, the men's tennis squad earned a second place finish in the annual PSAC tournament held at Slippery Rock.

Kwon, a hard-hitting 5-7 Philadelphian, became the third successive Marauder to capture the PSAC's number-one singles championship, and he combined with Merrill to capture the doubles crown.

Kwon, 28-2 in singles prior to NCAA tournament play, set new season marks for victories and winning percentage. In the nationals, he won five more single matches, losing the national championship to Pat Emmet of Rollins College (Fla.)

Merrill, ranked 24th nationally in singles and fifth in doubles as Kwon's partner, also played impressively throughout the campaign to earn a trip to the NCAA's in California. There, he and Kwon won three doubles matches, losing in the semi-final round. Merrill carved his own niche into the PSAC record book when he captured the number-two singles title.

Support from the other four Marauder starters—senior Avery Fraser, junior John Wylie, and freshmen Mike Kennedy and Dan Barber—gave Coach Jim Overbaugh's squad season-long consistency.

Lacrosse

Head coach Barbara Waltman's young lacrosse team showed promise for the future by capturing second place in the PSAC tournament. With only two seniors and two juniors in the starting line-up, the women laxers posted an overall record of 8-5 and a 5-1 mark in the conference.

The Marauders defeated Shippensburg, 11-9, in the semi-final round of the conference tournament to advance into the championship game for the first time



Stephanie McClay led the season with 40 goals.

in the team's 21-year history. MU's opponent was four-time defending champion, West Chester. After battling to an 8-8 halftime tie, the two teams remained scoreless for the first seven minutes of the second period. The Golden Rams then scored four goals over the next five minutes and went on to win, 17-13.

Junior Stephanie McClay led the season scoring with 40 goals and 14 assists. The MU co-captain also became only the second laxer at Millersville to score 100 career goals. She has scored 107 goals in three years of collegiate action. She and senior co-captain Sally Hale received All-PSAC honors.

Also among the Marauder scoring leaders were junior Stephanie DiSilvestro and freshman Cherie Meiklejohn (31 goals apiece) and freshman Jeanine Parrish (28 goals). Rookie goalkeeper Kim Davis performed admirably in the cage chalking up 186 saves in 13 contests.

Track and Field

The men's track and field squad was led by distance specialists, seniors Larry Levy and Joe Fritz. Levy, who established three team indoor records during his career, was the only Marauder to establish a new Millersville Metrics record (in the 5,000 meters) and Fritz established a new indoor mark in the 800 meters. At the state championships, Levy took a silver medal in the 1500 meters. The team finished tenth.

The MU lady thinclads sent 14 competitors to the conference championships

at Slippery Rock and finished third as a team with one individual championship in Martie Rauhala in the heptathlon.

Sophomore Carol Forry made her bid to begin re-writing the MU record books. The multi-talented Forry qualified for the PSAC meet in four different events: high jump, long jump, triple jump, and 100 meter hurdles. In her specialty, the hurdles, she tied a school record for the event with a time of 14.80 seconds at the Shippensburg Invitational.

Another highlight for Keith White's team was its performance at the ninth annual Millersville Metrics. The MU women captured two gold, one silver, and three bronze medals. Junior Beth Hill (400 meter hurdles) and freshman Nancy Hartley (5,000 meter run) were individual winners for Millersville in the 25-team event.

Baseball

It was a disappointing season (19-24) for the Millersville baseball squad. Setbacks in key conference games kept Coach Joe Abromaitis's squad out of post-season play.

However, several players turned in quality performances. Junior Darrell Zug led the club in batting (.393) and also was the Marauders' top batsman in hits, doubles, and runs batted in. Sophomore centerfielder Ernie McCoy paced the PSAC in stolen bases with a club-record 40 to break his own standard of 36 set in 1986. The 5-6 speedster had a .341 season batting average and also paced MU with club-record totals in runs and walks.

On the mound, junior righthander Jay Dimler smashed the Marauder record for strikeouts with 85, 27 more than the previous recordholder, and he turned in the Marauder's highlight of 1987 with a no-hitter against conference rival Bloomsburg.

Softball

The MU softball team just missed making its first ever trip to the PSAC tournament. Coach Donna Eshleman's team finished third in the PSAC Eastern Division with an 8-4 league mark.

The eight divisional wins paired with eight non-conference victories brought the Black and Gold's overall record to 16-13 for 1987. Both the overall and divisional win totals are new MU records.

In the batter's box, the Marauders were led by two of the seven seniors on this year's club. Deb Molinaro and Ginny Worthington each batted at a .348 pace, while junior Stacey Hollinger sported a .338 batting average. On the mound, freshman pitcher Beth Eshleman received a starting role mid-way through the season and finished with a 6-3 record. Her counterpart, senior Lynn Fry, closed out her final season with a 7-7 mark.

Golf

The Marauder golf team posted its second-highest win total ever (10-6), and turned in a respectable sixth place performance in the PSAC tournament at DuBois. Freshman Ray Bellamy, a season-long standout for Coach Scott Vandegrift's linksman, earned all-conference second team status with an eighth place tournament finish. Another underclassman, sophomore Todd Myers, was 22nd overall.

Football: Looking Toward September

After his 1987 Millersville football team completed a month of spring practice, Head Coach Dr. Gene Carpenter says there are many question marks about his squad that need to be answered before the opening kickoff occurs this September.

"As I look back over the 19 days of our spring practice schedule, there were some bright spots and there were some

areas that will need to be improved when the team returns.

"Each of our four quarterback candidates was given an opportunity to compete for the number-one assignment, yet none stood out. It will be interesting to see which quarterback emerges as our starter—whoever performs the best must have the intelligence and the toughness to run our veer offense successfully."

The Marauder running backs, who compiled a 306-yard average for last year's winningest MU grid squad (9-1), will be a plus. Millersville may have the PSAC's best tailback tandem in junior Steve Napier and senior Gary Chidester (a combined total of 1,659 yards and 16 touchdowns).

Inexperience in both the receiving corps and the offensive line also concern Carpenter. "We have only one experienced receiver back in junior Roger Smith, a tight end who has excellent quickness and who can catch the ball in traffic."

"Our offensive line will miss the leadership of our graduated seniors. However, juniors Chuck Bitsko and Hardy Stanley return as starters, and sophomore Tim Cunningham is a fine prospect at center."

The strength of the 1987 Marauder gridgers could be a defensive unit that was sixth overall among NCAA Division II teams and first in the PSAC last fall. Carpenter believes that his linebacking quartet of John Petrus, Jim Cassarella, Tyson Six, and Ralph Maldonado, is one of the best he has coached in his 18-year MU tenure. Petrus was named ECAC Division II Rookie of the Year for establishing club highs in overall tackles (157) and assists (125).

A veteran secondary, led by seniors Dion Reed and Michael Brower and an experienced defensive front paced by All-PSAC tackle T.J. Rudy, should help Millersville as a conference contender.

The placekicking chores belong to Luke Hadfield, whose accuracy both on conversions (38 of 39) and field goals (9 of 12) earned him all-conference recognition.

Approximately 100 candidates expect to suit up for the start of pre-season camp in August. The 10-game regular season begins at Biemesderfer Stadium Sept. 12 against West Virginia state conference titlist Shepherd College.

Basketball Wrap-Up Post Season Honors

The honors continued to roll in for Millersville University's basketball teams well after the final buzzer sounded for the 1986-87 season.

The Marauder men's cagers coached by John Kochan, who captured their first PSAC championship in nearly 30 years, tied for number one in the final NCAA Division II poll. The 27-4 Marauders set six season and team records and won all of 18 home games. In the NCAA East Regional tournament, they scored their first tournament victory ever by defeating St. Michaels of Vermont 83-76. The season ended, however, in the next game, won by Cannon University 85-82 after a closely battled contest.

Millersville earned high marks in the Division II final statistical charts in six categories—rebound margin (1st), won-lost percentage (2nd), field goal defense (3rd), scoring margin (4th), scoring offense (10th), and field goal percentage (11th).

John Fox, the University's number-

three career scorer (1,814 points) and rebounder (1,214 rebounds), was named to the Division II All-America second team by Basketball Times for the second consecutive season. He joined '70s All-American Phil Walker as a four-time first team selection by both the PSAC and the Eastern College Athletic Conference. Fox's impressive play in the Portsmouth Invitational Tournament attracted professional scouts. He was drafted by the United States Basketball League's Rhode Island Gulls and is considered a potential for the NBA draft in June.

Senior guard Andrew Marshall, who finished his outstanding Marauder career as the school's number six scorer (1,486 points), earned his first All-PSAC first team honor and joined Fox on the All-East District first squad.

Claude Hughes, who was instrumental to Millersville's success all season, led the Marauders in scoring (15.4 ppg), and was chosen to the All-PSAC second team and to the All-NCAA Division II East Regional tournament team.

Kochan, whose four-year record of 95-25 is among the finest in Division II, was named PSAC Co-Coach of the Year and East District Coach of the Year.

The MU women's basketball team, which captured the PSAC championship, advanced to the NCAA Division II East Regional final before losing a one-point heartbreaker to Pitt-Johnstown.

Coach Debra Schlegel's 18-8 Marauders also reaped post-season honors. Senior center Sue Heckler was chosen to the All-ECAC Division II South first team, and she and senior guard Peg Kauffman were named to the All-PSAC Eastern Division first team.

Schlegel, who became the program's winningest coach this season (113-62), was selected as the conference's top mentor for guiding her club to the league championship. Her Marauders captured MU's first NCAA tournament victory against Adelphi.



*All-American John Fox
awaiting the NBA Draft*

Features

1950s at Millersville Captured on Film

Touchstone Photographer

Myron Bird Shares '50s Photographs

One of the most frequent sights on the Millersville campus between the fall of 1953 and graduation ceremonies in the spring of 1957 was Myron Bird and his twin-lens reflex camera.

Bird became interested in photography while he was still a high school student in York. One year, at the suggestion of his physics teacher, he built a darkroom enlarger. He got credit not only from his physics teacher but from his shop instructor as well.

He entered Millersville as an IA student in the fall of 1953, and it wasn't very long before his photo skills were put to use on behalf of the yearbook and other student publications.

Bird brought his passion for tinkering along to college. He first used a Mamiya twin lens reflex camera that used 120 film and produced negatives 2 1/4" x 2 1/4" square. He abandoned that for a Rolleiflex that his mother brought back from a visit to Germany. It was the same film format as the Mamiya, but a higher quality camera.

He experimented with a number of black-and-white films, huge flashbulbs, and even made a high speed strobe light powered by a 510-volt battery. And he photographed every aspect of student life and every angle of the Millersville campus.

After Bird graduated, he taught industrial arts for a total of 16 years. He also



A Ride Fit for a Queen

What better befitted a homecoming queen than a ride in an open MGB?

Photos From The '50s

From the
Myron Bird Collection

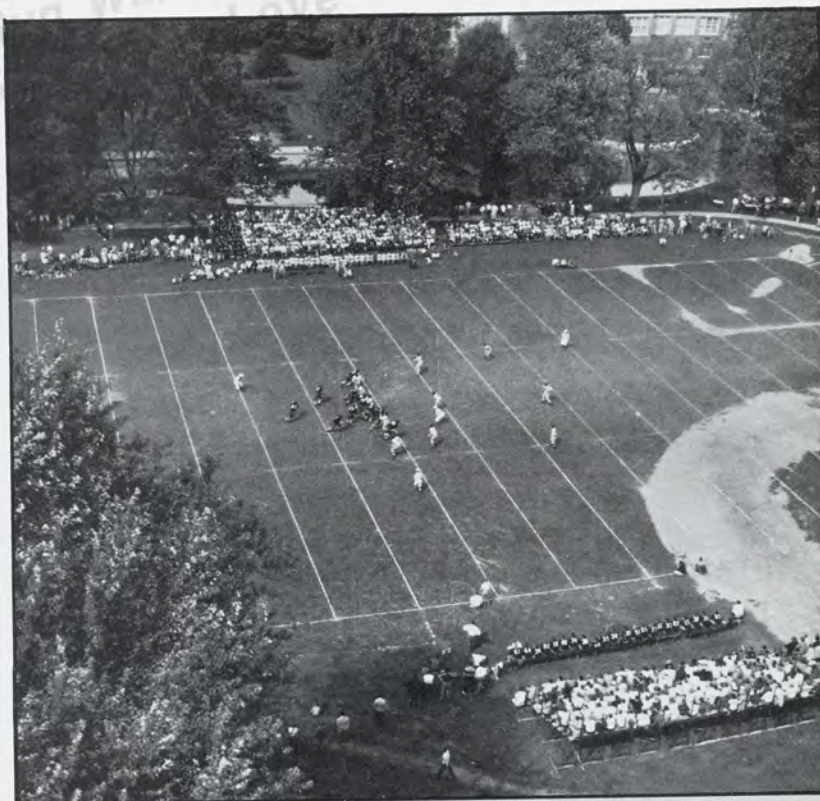


Myron Bird '57

pursued photography as a part-time business for a number of years, but gave up both photography and teaching to become a full-time locksmith about 13 years ago.

Bird's wife, Ruth, is an RN at the Elizabethtown Hospital and Rehabilitation Center in Elizabethtown. Their daughter Janine is a junior at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York. A son, Steven, is a senior at Wittenburg University in Springfield, Ohio, and their youngest son, David, is a freshman at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

About three years ago, Bird offered the University an opportunity to use his negatives to make prints which could then be stored in the archives. The photos you see here are the result of that offer. They're especially apropos as the Class of 1957 prepares for its 30th reunion this year.



Football on Brooks Field

This Bird's eye view of the old football field was taken from the top of the water tower.



Remember Bonfire Rallies?

Coach John Pucillo, in the foreground, was leading the cheers for his team at a 1956 pre-game football rally.



Celebrating 100 Years In 1955

Centennial Ball

Dr. and Mrs. Biemesderfer were the honored guests at a centennial ball in Brooks Gym. Millersville celebrated its 100th year of existence in 1955.

Millersville During the Fifties

- 1950 Enrollment at Millersville State Teachers College was 842 students.

Millersville received its first accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Tuition was \$90 per year (slightly more for I.A. and Library Science majors). Room and Board was \$360 a year and the activity fee was \$25 per year.

- 1951 The Pennsylvania Regional Audio Visual Library established.

The MSTC wrestling team won the Pennsylvania State Teachers College Tournament.

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Lyte Auditorium, Lyle Residence Hall for women and Roddy (now Gilbert) Residence Hall for men all completed.

- 1954 First meeting of the Alumni Council was held with Lloyd Kline presiding as president.
- 1955 Millersville celebrated its 100th anniversary with a week of activities including a ball and a parade. The Spring Fling celebration began. (Discontinued in 1981.) Sanders P. McComsey, head of the English department and Dean of Instruction, died at his desk of a heart attack. He was succeeded as Dean of Instruction by Dr. A. G. Breidenstine.
- 1956 The annual Contemporary Literary Conference was established by Dr. L. S. Lingenfelter, chairman of the English department. Some of the literary figures who spoke at Millersville were John Ciardi, Malcolm Cowley, James Michener, Robert Frost and Richard Gehman.
- 1957 Pennsylvania College Land Bill passed, allowing the College to acquire 35 acres south and west of the campus. Men's track and field became the sixth men's varsity sport, adding to football, basketball, baseball, wrestling and tennis. The honors program began.
- 1958 Off-campus housing for upperclass women students

was first permitted, but with restrictions. Swimming became a varsity sport for men.

The Student Center, the Rat Race, was renovated by student funds with student help.

The MSTC basketball team won The Pennsylvania State Teachers College title.

Cross country was introduced as a varsity sport.

- 1959 In December, Millersville's name was changed to Millersville State College.

The College was authorized to grant graduate degrees, to expand its curriculum, to offer degree programs in the liberal arts.

The enrollment was 1,560 full-time and 179 part-time students.

The first Honors Banquet was held to recognize academic achievement.

Women's tennis was added as a varsity sport, the third women's varsity sport (previously had basketball and field hockey).

Tuition was \$200 per year (slightly higher for I.A. and Library Science majors). Room and board was \$504 per year and the activity fee was \$34 per year. With books and incidentals, total cost for a resident student was approximately \$900 per year.

Centennial Parade

Millersville was 100 years old in 1955, and the whole town and the school turned out to celebrate. A parade wound through town and these folks joined in, driving a Ford Fairlane convertible.





The Campus In 1956

Myron Bird's attractive photo of the campus lake, showing the old science building in the background, was used on a number of Millersville publications in the '50s.

Myron climbed to the top of the water tower to photograph Old Main from this unusual angle.



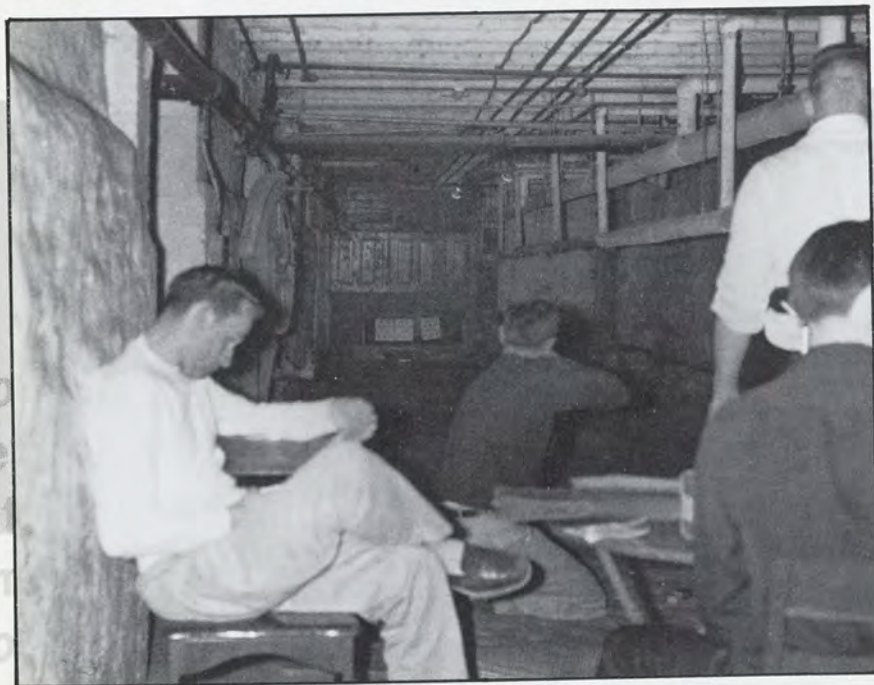
Where Men Could Be Men



Millersville's basketball teams in the 50s were among the best in the college's history. Note that male fans wore coats and ties to games.



Returning veterans were a significant part of the student body. The canteen, housed in what is now Gilbert Hall, is where many of these servicemen gathered to relax and play cards.



The Rod and Gun Club was active on campus in the 50s. One of their activities was the use and maintenance of this rifle range in a tunnel under Old Main.



The Dolphin Club Show of 1954 had stage sets, actors, bathing beauties, synchronized swimmers, musicians—everything you could want for a night of entertainment.

Gun Will Travel • Love • Shrimp • Batista • Jonas
Levittown • Argyles • Rompel
To Beaver • '55 Chevy • Rockin
A Secret • See It • Your Show

Freshman hazing lasted a week. No freshman woman dared to be caught without her tam, and every strand of hair had better be tucked in. This little ceremony took place every day during lunch hour, when the upperclassmen made the girls remove their headgear, then put it back on again.



The homecoming court for 1955.



A lavish production of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," staged around 1955.

The Fifties: Historical Highlights

1950

On June 25, North Korean forces, backed by Communist China, invade South Korea. President Truman orders U.S. air and sea support for the Korean government, and in September, sends ground troops who recapture Seoul. General Douglas MacArthur directs the counteroffensive.

Senator Joseph R. McCarthy of Wisconsin charges 57 cases of disloyalty in the Department of State (never substantiated) and begins a four-year campaign against suspected communist sympathizers.

Two Puerto Rican nationalists unsuccessfully attempt to shoot their way into President Truman's house.

The 1950 Census discloses a population of 150,697,361 in the continental United States.

The Brink's robbery in Boston on January 17 results in losses of almost \$2.8 million, the largest amount stolen by armed robbers in history. (The thieves are eventually captured, but only \$50,000 is recovered.)

Alger Hiss is convicted of supplying Soviet agents with classified documents while working in the State Department in the 1930s.

The first Xerox copying machine is introduced.

The comic strip "Peanuts" by Charles Schulz begins appearing in eight newspapers. (20 years later, it will run in 900 papers.)

Florence Chadwick swims the English Channel from France to England in the record time of 13 hours, 20 minutes. The following year she becomes the first woman to swim the channel in the more difficult direction, from England to France, in 16 hours, 22 minutes. Four years later, she repeats that feat, but takes off almost three hours, finishing in 13 hours, 33 minutes.

The United Nations Building opens in New York.

Pre-sweetened cereal (Sugar Pops) is introduced by Kellogg's and Minute Rice by General Foods.

The federal restriction on adding yellow coloring to margarine is lifted; however, some states with strong dairy interest retain the restriction for several more years.

All About Eve wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1951

The General of the Army, Douglas MacArthur, is recalled from Korea on April 11th.

The states adopt the 22nd amendment to the Constitution, limiting presidents after Truman to two terms.

Ethel and Julius Rosenberg are found guilty of selling U.S. atomic secrets to Russia. (Both will be executed in 1953.)

The Univac computer is introduced by Remington Rand Corporation.

CBS televises the first color program but it cannot be received by the 5.5 million American homes that now have black and white television sets. Only 25 color sets exist, 15 of them in the CBS studios.

Edward R. Murrow's *See It Now* makes its debut on CBS on November 18. It will become the prototype of the in-depth quality television documentary.

The cost of making a pay phone call goes up from a nickel to a dime (where it will stay for more than 25 years.)

Power steering is first introduced on top-of-the-line Chryslers. The next year, General Motors begins mass production of power steering.

"Dennis the Menace" cartoon begins syndication.

Willie Mays plays his first year with the New York Giants, hits .345 in 1954, and remains a Giant star until 1972. Across town in 1951, a 19-year-old Mickey Mantle joins Joe DiMaggio in the Yankees' outfield. He will remain with the team for 17 more seasons. 1951 is the same year that Bobby Thompson of the Giants hits a three-run homerun in the bottom of the ninth inning of the final playoff game of the National League pennant race, defeating the Dodgers 5-4. In the World Series, the Yankees win their third straight World championship, defeating the Giants, 4 games to 2.

An American in Paris wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1952

The United States detonates the first hydrogen device in the first full-scale nuclear explosion in history, destroying the island of Eniwetok.

Britain's King, George VI, dies on Feb. 6. His 25-year-old daughter becomes Queen Elizabeth II.

California Senator Richard Nixon, a nominee for vice-president, denies on national television that he ever received illegal payoffs or accepted gifts, except for a cocker spaniel named "Checkers." The emotional speech wins over the American public and the Eisenhower-Nixon ticket soundly defeats the Adlai Stevenson-John Sparkman team.

E.B. White writes *Charlotte's Web*.

A contraceptive pill for women is developed and is perfected by 1954. However, it will not be approved for sale by the FDA in the United States until 1960.

The Mad comic book, the forerunner of the Mad Magazine, begins publication.

The first sugar-free soft drink, No-Cal Ginger Ale, is introduced.

The New York Yankees win the World Series over the Dodgers, 4 games to 2.

Ray Kroc begins to franchise the McDonald's self-serve restaurant on behalf of the owners. (He will buy out the McDonald brothers in 1962 after establishing 200 restaurants, a number that eventually grows to many thousands.)

The Greatest Show on Earth wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1953

IBM introduces its first computer to compete with the Univac.

Polyethylene plastic is invented by a German chemist and ushers in a new era of low-cost plastics.

Playboy Magazine begins publication with a nude calendar photograph of Marilyn Monroe.

The Boston Braves become the Milwaukee Braves.

The Korean armistice is signed at Panmunjom on July 27.

Stalin, premier of USSR since 1928, dies March 5 and is succeeded by Georgi Malenkov. Nikita Krushchev becomes first secretary.

A Soviet hydrogen device is exploded on August 12. In the U.S., schools, large public buildings and even private homeowners begin adding bomb shelters.

A party led by Edmond P. Hillary successfully climbs Mt. Everest, the highest point on the earth, 29,002 ft. above sea level.

Dr. Jonas Salk and associates of the University of Pittsburgh find a vaccine effective against paralytic poliomyelitis and begin vaccinating children in 1954. A polio epidemic cripples 50,000 Americans in 1953.

From Here to Eternity wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1954

Racial segregation in public schools is ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of the U.S. in an unanimous decision.

Senator Joseph R. McCarthy conducts two months of hearings, televised across the country, which demonstrate his "witch hunt" tactics. In December, he is condemned by the U.S. Senate for undignified conduct.

Upon the order of President Eisenhower, the words "under God" are added to the U.S. pledge of allegiance.

Filter-tip cigarettes made from cellulose acetate are introduced in response to first medical indications that smoking is a major cause of lung cancer.

Sports Illustrated begins publication.

Elvis Presley makes his first commercial recording.

Frozen "TV" Dinners are introduced by Swanson.

The four-minute mile barrier is first broken by Roger Bannister of England who runs a record 3 minute, 59.4 second mile.

On the Waterfront wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1955

The first Chevrolet V8 engine is introduced in the BellAire. Gas is less than 30 cents a gallon. (A decade later, 70 percent of American cars will have V8 engines.)

Minimum wage is increased from .75 to \$1 per hour.

The Ann Landers column begins in the Chicago Sun-Times and is later syndicated around the country.

Disneyland opens in Anaheim, California.

The Brooklyn Dodgers win their first World Series by defeating the New York Yankees in seven games.

Crest toothpaste, containing fluoride, is introduced and later becomes America's top-selling toothpaste.

Coca-Cola adopts the name "Coke."

Colonel Sanders' Kentucky Fried Chicken has its beginnings.

Eisenhower and Nixon are reelected over Stevenson and Estes Kefauver.

Marty wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1956

Open revolt by Hungarian citizens against the Soviet occupation is ended in November by Soviet machine guns and tanks. The Hungarian government is replaced by a puppet government. The U.S. offers asylum to "freedom fighters" and 150,000 Hungarians flee their country.

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., age 27, organizes a bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama.

President Nasser of Egypt seizes the Suez Canal in June. The crisis escalates with the invasion of the Sinai Peninsula by Israel and the bombing of Egyptian airfields by the British and French. British paratroopers land at Port Said to recover control of the canal, but withdraw upon arrival of a UN peace force.

At Melbourne, for the first time in history, the Russians are winners of the Olympic Games.

Elvis Presley rivets most of America to the television with his appearance on the Ed Sullivan Show. Camera angles are limited to the upper half of his mobile body.

The Yankees regain their normal place as world champions by defeating the Dodgers in seven games. In the fifth game, Don Larson pitches the first "perfect" game in series history.

Around the World in 80 Days wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1957

Sputnik I, successfully launched by the Soviet Union on October 4, is the first artificial earth satellite. Sputnik II, which follows a month later carries a live dog in orbit around the earth. Russia's obvious advantage over the United States spurs the U.S. space efforts and prompts a greater emphasis on science education throughout America's school systems.

Governor Faubus, Little Rock, Arkansas, calls on the National Guard to stop black students from entering Central High School, resulting in intervention by Federal troops on order of President Eisenhower.

The Dodgers leave Brooklyn for Los Angeles and the N.Y. Giants move to San Francisco.

The Edsel is introduced by Ford Motor Company after development costs of \$250 million. The car fails to sell and will be discontinued halfway through the 1959 model year.

Dr. Seuss initiates his beginning reader books. His first, *The Cat in the Hat*, will sell almost 10 million copies over the next two decades.

The Milwaukee Braves take the World Series crown from the New York Yankees in the seventh game of the series.

The frisbee is introduced.

The Bridge on the River Kwai wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1958

Nikita Krushchev becomes head of the Russian government.

The U.S. atomic submarine *Nautilus* makes the first voyage ever under the North Pole.

First-class postage goes up to 4 cents. It had been 3 cents since 1932.

The Yankees win back the World Championship from the Braves, again in seven games.

Baltimore Colt quarterback Johnny Unitas leads his team to victory over the New York Giants in sudden-death overtime. The first nationally-televised NFL championship, the broadcast introduces hundreds of thousands of new fans to professional football, changing forever the nature of the game and establishing a new relationship between sports and television.

Gigi wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

1959

After a two-year revolutionary effort, Fidel Castro takes office as premier of Cuba.

Alaska and Hawaii become the 49th and 50th states, respectively.

In response to the growing popularity of the Volkswagen, Ford introduces its first compact car, the Falcon, and American Motors introduces the Rambler.

Anthropologist Louis Leakey determines from digs in Tanganyika that a man-ape lived at least 1.78 million years ago.

Sony releases the first transistorized TV set.

A nationwide steel strike begins in July. In October, the U.S. Congress seeks a Taft-Hartley Act injunction to halt the strike, but the action is challenged by the United Steelworkers. In November, the Supreme Court upholds the act.

The Los Angeles Dodgers win the World Series by defeating the Chicago White Sox in six games.

Ben-Hur wins the Oscar for "Best Picture."

Heritage of the '50s: A Revolution in Music

Fifties music sounded a relatively sedate note as the decade opened. Radios and jukeboxes emitted the soothing sounds of Jo Stafford, Perry Como, Jimmie Rodgers, Dean Martin, Rosemary Clooney, Les Paul and Mary Ford, and others who had made names for themselves during the Big Band Era of the Forties.

Every Saturday night, young and old alike tuned the family tv to *Your Lucky Strike Hit Parade* to hear Dorothy Collins, Gisele MacKenzie, Russell Arms and Snooky Lanson deliver their renditions of the week's most popular songs. *A Bushel and a Peck*, *Come On-a My House*, and *Music! Music! Music! (Put Another Nickel In)* were typical of the pop music back then. Tunes from Broadway musicals and movie themes were perennially popular.

While most of middle-class America was humming along with Doris Day and others of her ilk, musical genres indigenous to America had long been simmering in local ethnic pockets—cowboy music in the West, hillbilly music in the Appalachians, and the blues, rhythm and blues, jazz and gospel in both the rural south and in the urban back streets of Chicago and Detroit.

The simmer came to a rolling boil in 1954, when Bill Haley and the Comets hit the airwaves with *Rock Around the Clock*. It signaled the end of adolescents and their parents sitting down to enjoy the same music.

Teenagers quickly became addicted to the insistent and irresistible rhythms of what nationally known disc jockey Alan Freed called "rock 'n' roll." Parents in large numbers despised the music and its performers, applying adjectives such as "noisy," "shocking," "sinful," and worse. Many parents forbade their teenagers to listen to the new music, but teenagers ignored their parents and listened to it anyway. Danny and the Juniors' hit *Rock 'n' Roll is Here to Stay*, released in the late '50s, became a kind of teenage anthem of rebellion against the older generation, who believed (and fervently hoped) that

rock 'n' roll was a passing fad that would fade away.

After Bill Haley offered those immortal first strains of black-based pop music to mainstream white America, the floodgates of legendary artists opened, and out poured Carl Perkins, Elvis Presley, Screamin' Jay Hawkins, Bo Diddley, "Fats" Domino, Chuck Berry, James Brown, Ike and Tina Turner, Little Richard and many others. The rougher side of rock 'n' roll was offset by clean-cut crooners such as Pat Boone, the Four Preps, and the Lettermen. Both segments had their audiences: some folks could swallow Pat Boone's sweetened version of *Tutti Frutti*; for others (largely younger others), if it wasn't Little Richard, it wasn't *Tutti Frutti*.

It was, ironically, an extremely clean-cut, white fellow who did more than anyone to bring the heavily black-influenced sounds of rock 'n' roll to teenagers across the nation. Dick Clark's Philadelphia-based *Bandstand* went national on ABC television in 1956, and *American Bandstand* became the hub around which rock 'n' rollers revolved.

As *American Bandstand* increased in popularity, *Hit Parade* began to fade. There was no way that Snooky Lanson could do justice to Elvis Presley's hit recording of *Hound Dog*.

As the decade drew to a close, popular music had become a synthesis of the various pure forms of American music. Country artists Marty Robbins, the Everly Brothers, Brenda Lee, and Johnny Cash were successfully singing of the same joys and heartbreaks of living and loving that were being expressed with equal success by those on the soulful end of rock 'n' roll.

To be sure, songs like *High Hopes* by Frank Sinatra and *Catch a Falling Star* by Perry Como were still finding an audience and making it onto the pop charts, but the writing was on the wall: "Rock 'n' roll is here to stay."

Six Alumni of The '50s

by Dick Wanner

The Fifties started under a cloud of war—the Korean hostilities began in June of 1950—and ended in relative serenity. The Eisenhower years were years of contrasts, to be sure. There was Little Richard and there was Dave Brubeck. There were Doris Day movies and there was Ingmar Bergman. Adventure novels ranged from Thor Heyerdahl's "Kon-Tiki" to Jack Kerouac's "Dharma Bums".

"Life," "Look," "The Saturday Evening Post," and "Colliers," were familiar, weekly names on the newsstands. "Colliers" was the first to succumb to the swelling stampede of advertising dollars to television, and the rest followed in their time.

Television, like the weeklies it replaced, was squeaky clean. The first time Broderick Crawford said "Hell" on a cop show it made the newspapers.

The Fifties were years of rapid change for the country and for college campuses. We talked recently to six alumni who were active on the Millersville campus during the Fifties. Their recollections augment the memories rekindled by Myron Bird's photographs.

As the decade began at Millersville, veterans from the Second World War and the Korean conflict led the changes in student codes of conduct. Men who had lived through combat had little patience with the college's "in loco parentis" traditions.

They would not sign in and out of their dorms. They would not attend mandatory chapel. They wouldn't be hazed. A canteen area opened up in the basement of Old Main so these men had a place to relax, play cards, smoke, trade stories. Profits from the canteen's sale of candy, soda and ice cream went to pay for the first television set to be installed on campus.

Combat experience wasn't always the ultimate persuader. There is a story about dean of men Clyde Stine and the day he came upon a group of men playing poker. For money.

"What's the money for?" Dean Stine asked.

"Oh, that's just our way of keeping score," he was told.

"Well, I don't think things look quite fair here," said the Dean as he distributed the money, lowering the piles of the winners, enlarging the piles of the losers.

Thereafter, pinocle increased in popularity.

Not all campus men of the Fifties played cards, but they nearly all wore Ivy League khakis (with buckles in the back), button-down shirts (two in the front, one in the back), Bass Weejuns (without—for the very cool—socks). They had flat-tops or greasy ducktails and they vented their rebelliousness by smoking Camels, drinking beer by the bucket and staging panty raids on girls' dorms.

Campus women were wearing plaid skirts, starched white blouses buttoned to the neck, bobby sox, saddle shoes and Toni perms. They lived in women's dorms and they had to be in hours before midnight. And they rebelled by...well, sometimes they'd smoke Salems. Or they read "Peyton Place."

Whether the Fifties were fabulous or fatuous depends on your point of view. But there's no denying that it was a decade of relative tranquility, when Americans were feeling good about themselves and their place in a world at peace, a decade that began with yet another war and ended with the lilting promise of the Camelot years.

It was a time when America still had a vestige of its frontier spirit and cowboy bashfulness, a time when heroes were more than common clay, a time when the future stretched out like a yellow brick road forever.

It was a good time to be young in America, and, according to our interviewees a good time to be at Millersville. These popular campus leaders of the Fifties remain interesting individuals whose lives today reflect the strong undergraduate experiences of three decades ago.

Bruce & Ruth Stevenson '56: Side by Side



After a 30-year career as an industrial arts teacher, Bruce Stevenson is ready to hang up his shop apron for the last time and step into a new career. Locksmithing. Actually, locks have been a part-time business for Stevenson for almost the whole time he's been in teaching. Now he's going to do it on a full-time basis out of his historic home in historic Coopersburg, a small village south of Allentown.

Stevenson met his wife, Ruth, at Millersville, and the 1956 yearbook, the year they graduated, pictures the Stevensons side by side as a married couple. They've been side by side ever since, raising two children, following teaching careers, getting master's degrees from Lehigh. Stevenson picked up his master's in career education about 10 years ago, and Mrs. Stevenson, a kindergarten teacher, just got hers in education a year ago.

Stevenson entered Millersville as a freshman in 1948, left to join the Marine Corps, and returned a more serious student. But not deadly serious. He remembers nights at the Rose Bowl. He remembers shooting darts at the hotel down the street from the school. He remembers the Wacker AC, a loosely

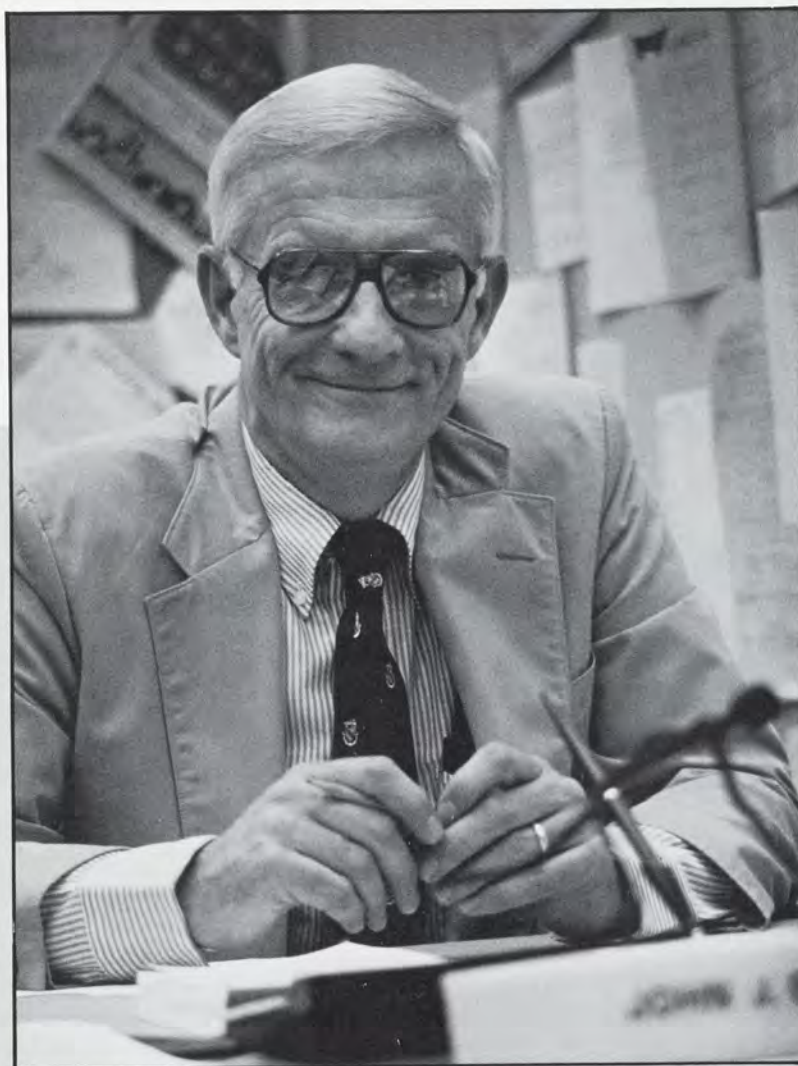
organized coalition of veterans housed in one wing of Old Main. And he remembers leading a cow up to the third floor of Old Main.

"The thing about a cow is, you can lead her up the stairs but it's very, very difficult to lead her back down," Stevenson said.

The Stevensons have two children. Their daughter graduated from Drexel, taught for a year, then went to Rutgers for a nursing degree. Their son went to Temple for two years before entering the Air Force. His obligation is soon finished and he plans to enter West Chester in the fall for a pre-med degree.

Although their children have moved out, the Stevensons have no plans to follow them. They live in a 136-year-old house that's listed in the National Historic Register. The home used to belong to the Cooper family, who bought the land it stands on from a son of William Penn.

The Coopers made a fortune by introducing the Jersey breed of dairy cows to America, and they endowed their namesake town with a unique history, a history the Stevensons have come to appreciate and want to remain close to even when they've left teaching behind for other ventures.



John Evans '57

A Family Alma Mater **Evans Clan Still Close to MU**

"When I was a freshman at Millersville, there were about 750 students," said John Evans. "Everybody really knew everybody else. Today, with the change to a larger institution and to university status, I know there are more programs to offer students. And that's very positive. But I also think there's been a change in Millersville's personality."

Evans has watched Millersville's evolution from a closer vantage point than many of his classmates. He was president of the Class of 1957 and went straight from Millersville to teaching elementary school at Conestoga Valley. Except for a two-year stint early on in his teaching career, he's been with Conestoga Valley ever since.

Early career advisors steered him into administration. He got a master's and some additional course work in administration from Penn State, and today he is director of elementary education for the district and curriculum coordinator for K through 12.

His wife, Joan, is a Millersville alum, and their son David and daughter Suzanne are now students at the University.

An active sportsman while he was a student, one highlight of Evans' Millersville years was the 1957 basketball season. While not one of the starting five, he was a steady player at guard and helped the team earn its way to a national NAIA championship tournament in Kansas City.

He's still a fixture at MU sporting events and made it to about a dozen basketball games this past season, a season filled with the same kind of triumph he saw as a player.

Evans is pleased with the school's sporting programs and is very happy about their competitiveness in Division II competition both in football and basketball.

He's proud, too, of the University's academic reputation. "I hope the University can maintain the quality we see today, I hope it will continue to fill the needs of the young people of the state, and I hope it will always be wary of growth for the sake of growth."

As They Looked Then . . .



Bruce Stevenson



Ruth Stevenson



John Evans

Jeanne Rohrer Helmers: Still Teaching Children



*Jeanne Rohrer
1955 Yearbook Senior
Photo*



When Jeanne Rohrer Helmers graduated from Millersville in 1955, she followed the example of her mother, who'd graduated from Millersville Normal School a quarter of a century before. And like her mother, who taught for 34 years, Jeanne Helmers has spent much of her lifetime as an educator.

Her first job was as a second grade teacher in Paoli. From there she went to Devon and taught for five-and-a-half years. While she was there, she met Spencer Helmers, the older brother—by 15 years—of one of her students. They married. They had a daughter, Betsy, and Jeanne left full-time teaching. A few years later, they had a son, Duff.

Jeanne had no desire to leave teaching altogether, but with two children she also did not want the demands of a full-time teaching schedule. So, for the past 20 years, she has worked mornings in a nursery school in Paoli.

The school is sponsored by the Episcopal Church in Paoli, and it's not

a daycare center, Jeanne is quick to point out. It's designed to be an education experience for the 200 children who are enrolled. Jeanne began working with the younger children, now teaches the accredited kindergarten class in the morning.

It's an outstanding school, she said, with a waiting list every year of children who couldn't get in because there's no room.

A Millersville classmate, Dotty Lee VanZandt Werkheiser also teaches at the Paoli school with Jeanne. And her husband, James Werkheiser is another alum.

One of the great Helmers family adventures has been the house they live in outside Spring City, which is in Chester County between Phoenixville and Pottstown. "We bought it 14 years ago, and it was in unbelievable shape," she said. "The wallpaper in some rooms was a quarter of an inch thick. Some places we had to use nine coats of paint remover

before we could begin to paint. And then we started fixing up, one room at a time."

Jeanne said she traced the stone home through courthouse records back to 1813. A fire in the courthouse left a gap in the records, however, or she thinks she could have followed a trail of deeds all the way back to the 18th century.

For many years, the house was owned by the Doyle family, who at one time were famous nurserymen. "Which is why we have some very unusual trees on the property."

A lot of years have passed since Jeanne Rohrer crossed the platform to pick up her brand new college degree, but she says she remembers the Millersville years with a great deal of warmth. And, more than most, she has kept her college ties alive.

"I've been back quite a few times, and once a year, I have a reunion with two of my former roommates, Joanne Blankenstein, who lives in Millersville, and June Sprecher Duncan, who lives outside Reading."

John Parker

MSTC Basketball Star Still Aiming

For a young man who grew up shooting hoops in the gyms and on the playgrounds of Norristown, "...that little place up on Route 999" was an entirely different world.

"Norristown is a city," said John Parker. "It's a place where people bump heads all the time, it's always competitive. Millersville was so peaceful, so gentle, so confidence-instilling, I just felt right at home from the beginning."

One thing he remembers most about Millersville State Teachers College is the fact that he never locked his door. "I never even knew where my dorm key was. I had to pay for it when it was time to turn it in."

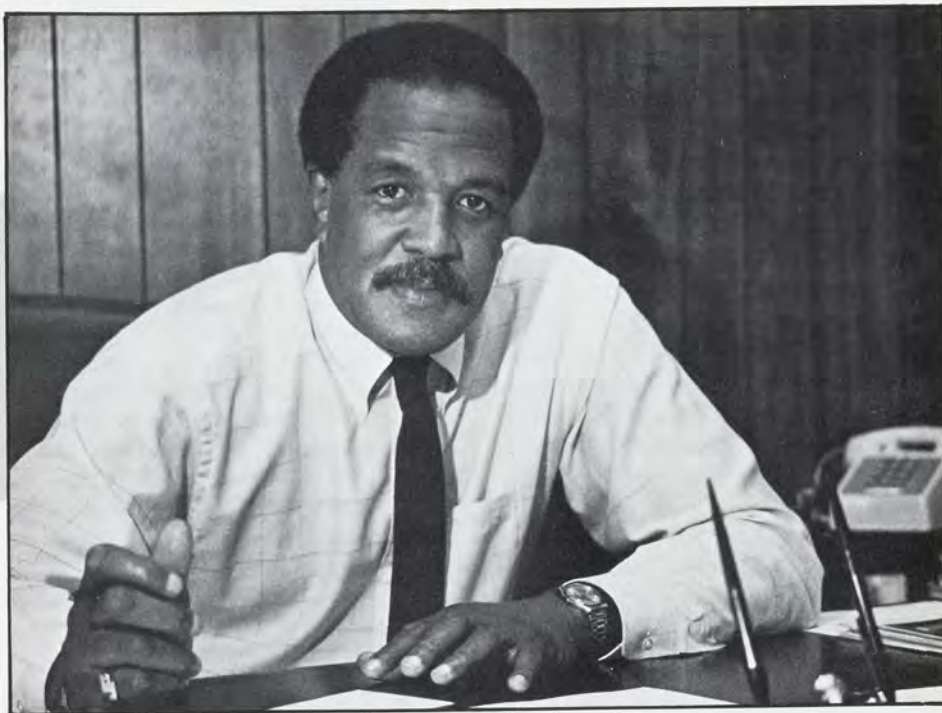
Parker, who graduated in 1957 with an industrial arts degree, has some fond memories of the basketball team, too. He was the center, captain and leading scorer of the 1957 squad which earned a berth in the NAIA tournament that year in Kansas City.

Under coach Max Bishop, he said, "...we got more out of a season than 17 or 18 wins. We didn't sacrifice our educations to play basketball. What the game did for us was intensify the educational experience."

Although he didn't make any of the games this year, Parker has watched the team's progress over the years. He expressed delight at the performance of this year's squad. In 1957, the NAIA was the equivalent of Division III NCAA competition. MU now competes in Division II, and Parker wouldn't be surprised to see more players making the jump from his alma mater to the pros.

"Phil Walker did it, and I think we'll see more people making it in the pros. The quality of the Millersville players and their schedule make me think it's going to happen again. When I graduated from college, there were only six teams in the National Basketball Association. Now there are 23 and soon there will be 26. So that opens the door for a lot of talented players from small schools like Millersville."

It's been three decades since he received



his diploma, and Parker is still aiming for new goals. He was an industrial arts teacher for 10 years until he received his master's degree. He then moved into administration, as an assistant principal for five years, then a junior high principal for 10 years. For the past five years he's been doing central office work. He's director of facilities and planning for the Upper Dublin School District in Montgomery County. He's spent his entire career with Upper Dublin, and his office

now is about a 20-minute drive from his Norristown roots.

He's doing course work now for a superintendent's certificate and, he said, "I'm ready for my own district."

His wife, Julia, a Lancaster native, teaches fourth grade in a neighboring school district. They have two children, Jill and Albert, both of whom graduated from Penn State. Jill is now with Xerox Corp. and Albert is a law student at Penn.



On the Court in '56



Senior Photo in '57

Mickey Santaniello Nissley—She Helped Revive the *Snapper*

Very few alumnae have witnessed the evolution of Millersville University more closely than Michaeline Nissley, who was better known as Mickey Santaniello when she graduated in 1959 with a degree in elementary education.

After teaching in the Millersville lab school for a number of years, she went on for her master's degree and is today an MU associate professor of elementary and early childhood education.

"I've seen all the changes," she said. "I was teaching in the lab school when they tore down Old Main, and I felt really badly when it came down. I had my fourth grade students take a brick from the rubble. They fixed it up, decorated it, and gave it as a present to Dr. Biemesderfer."

The lab school was also where she met her husband, Philip. A returning veteran, he worked awhile for his bride-to-be in the lab school while she was a teacher and he was still an undergraduate. Today he teaches sixth grade in the Manheim Township district.

One highlight of Mrs. Nissley's undergraduate career was the new beginning she and her classmates gave to *The Snapper*, a Millersville tradition that had fallen by the wayside. "We revived it," she said, "and it's still going strong today."

Other traditions that were going strong then aren't around today, she said. Men wearing coats and ties to dinner is one. House mothers and 8 p.m. curfews for freshman women are others. Semi-formal

dances at the old Brunswick Hotel were a thing of the past even before the Hotel was ripped down.

A tradition which went away and came back are the movie theatres on North Queen Street in Lancaster. When Mrs. Nissley was at Millersville, there were three theatres all on the same block—the Colonial, the Grand and the Capitol. The theatres went in the early '60s when developers ripped the block down. New theatres have sprung up, but none has the elegance of the old emporia.

Comparing today with the '50s, Mrs. Nissley feels the University gives its education students a somewhat better preparation for life in the real world.

"Teachers then, and teachers now, tend to come from secure middle class backgrounds," she said. "Then, I don't think we were prepared for the culture shock we experienced going into urban schools. I think we've gotten a lot better at it."

"One thing I've noticed in my classrooms is that the kids who are committed to teaching—really committed—are just as committed as any of us were. But I don't think we get the same number of people who feel that real deep commitment."

"And I think these kids take life a little too seriously. We worked when we were here. But we had fun."



1959 Senior Photo



Mickey Nissley today.

Alumni News

Distinguished Alumni

Bolger & Rees Honored On Alumni Day

Two alumni from the same class shared the 1987 Distinguished Service Award presented at the Alumni Day luncheon.

William H. Bolger and John F. Rees, both members of the Class of 1938, received the Alumni Association's highest accolade, presented to those who bring honor to themselves, to the University or to the Alumni Association.

Bolger has been chairperson of the University Council of Trustees for almost 20 years. Rees has been active in the Alumni Association and is a long-time member of the Millersville Foundation Board of Directors.

Steve DiGuseppe '82 received the Young Alumnus Service Award, given annually to an alumnus who has made a significant contribution to the Alumni Association soon after his or her graduation. DiGuseppe has served on several alumni committees and has helped organize a number of new initiatives for younger alumni.

Also presented at the luncheon was the MU Alumni Scholarship which goes each year to the student with the highest quality point average following completion of the junior year. Two students had perfect 4.0 records, resulting in a tie between Jean H. Ellis, Mt. Joy, and Melvin L. Sensenig, Denver, Pa.

Approximately 300 persons returned for Alumni Weekend, May 29-30, which included reunions for the Classes of 1927, 1932, 1937, 1942 and 1947.

On Friday afternoon, the newly restored windows from Old Main Chapel, now in Ganser Library lobby, were dedicated. In the evening, a reception was held in Biemesderfer Executive Center followed by the Alumni Association's First Volunteer Recognition Dinner.

Twenty alumni who have given ten or more years of notable service as Associa-

tion officers, branch officers, committee chairpersons, or assisted with major Association projects, were honored. Recipients were: Gary P. Bell '62; D. Luke Biemesderfer '17; Isabelle Huston Binkley

'44; Thomas N. Campbell '65; Doris Dieterle '46; Dominick DiNunzio '53; William H. Duncan '40; Anna Mae Herr '26; B. Anton Hess '36; Robert G. Hostetter '35; Elizabeth A. Kauffman '52; Frances K. Keller '45; Ralph V. Kraft '49; John W.W. Loose '47; William M. McCain '43; Violet F. Markey '38; Franklin R. Marsh '37; A. Norman Ranck '22; George F. Stauffer '29; and Kathleen B. Stetler '36.

Prospecting for MU: Alumni in Admissions

"Admissions in a lot of colleges today is a cold kind of process—class rank, grades, SAT's, and that's it—so if somebody pays attention to you, you're going to be more inclined to look a little harder at that school."

That viewpoint, according to Mr. Sherman Book '60, is the keystone of the recently formed Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee.

One of the committee's initial goals is to provide the Millersville University Admissions Office with the names and addresses of "good prospects"—defined as academically serious students, the ones admissions personnel like to see applying to the University.

Book, who is guidance director at Conestoga Valley High School, said that the committee hopes eventually to expand its role by following up, on a one-to-one basis, with students who have been accepted but have not yet made the final decision to enroll at MU. They also hope to establish a network of alumni so that when prospective students want to know more about any aspect of Millersville, whether it be curriculum or campus life, admissions personnel can put them in touch with an alumnus in their geographic area who can give them, on a personal level, the information they're seeking.

Book sees the proposed work of the fledgling committee as providing a positive service to students. Ms. Susan Kastner, an assistant dean of admissions at MU and a member of the Alumni

Admissions Advisory Committee, sees the committee's work as highly beneficial to the Admissions Office as well.

"I see the committee as a sounding board for projects proposed by the Admissions Office, as a reservoir for suggestions on how to encourage those accepted to enroll, and as a resource for prospective students with whom we might not otherwise come into contact," she says.

Millersville alumni can lend a hand in the new endeavor in two ways: first, by completing and returning the Alumni Directory questionnaire mailed to all alumni (this information will be vital in the establishment of the alumni network mentioned earlier); and second, by letting the MU Admissions Office know of any high school students who, in their judgment, are of the caliber Millersville is seeking.

The Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee is chaired by Dr. William H. Duncan '40. Committee members, in addition to Book and Kastner, include: Mr. Kenneth Decker '65, guidance counselor at Ephrata High School; Mrs. Barbara Hunsberger '65, acquisitions librarian at MU; Ms. Lynn Knox '86, sales representative at York Volvo; and Mr. Lee Eastwood, director of alumni programs at MU.

For more information about the new Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee, contact any of its members through the Admissions Office (872-3371) or the Alumni Programs Office (872-3352).

Alumni Supported Student Research Grants Made



Participating recently in the Neimeyer/Hodgson Student Research Grant award ceremony were (front row, left to right) Robert Bingaman, Mrs. Elizabeth Kauffman (president of the MU Alumni Association) and Delmas Bolin, and (back row, left to right) Dr. Sandra Turchi (biochemistry professor), Ellen Hartz, Donald Neiffer and David Heeter.

Five Millersville University students recently received \$300 Neimeyer/Hodgson Student Research Grants, awarded by the Alumni Association.

They are: Robert Bingaman of Lebanon, biochemistry; Delmas J. Bolin of Lock Haven, biochemistry; Ellen Hartz of Hummelstown, biology; David W. Heeter of Annville, biology; and Donald L. Neiffer of Pottstown, biology.

Bingaman is monitoring gene expression in organisms at various stages of development. Study results could lead to a better understanding of embryonic development and changes in gene expression that occur in some cancers.

Bolin is investigating why two forms of a specific enzyme are found in variants of cultured frog cells to better understand gene expression in higher organisms.

Hartz is researching techniques that expedite the counting of soil microorganisms. Results could facilitate the use of microorganisms to render harmless contaminants from oil or hazardous waste spills.

Heeter used his funds to learn why a specific enzyme is not produced in frog cells. Results of the study could relate to gene expression in human cells.

Neiffer is studying genetic differences in white-footed mouse populations. Results could determine how geographic barriers influence genetic divergence.

Monies for the endowed program come from a bequest to the Alumni Association by Minnie Menges Neimeyer '23 and a bequest to the MU Foundation from Laura L. Hodgson, the mother of Pearle L. Hodgson '31.

Mail-in Ballot Heavy Voting in Alumni Elections

Heaviest voting of recent years reelected some incumbents and brought other new alumni to the Alumni Council. The mail ballot was returned by 2,000 alumni.

From the period 1926-1945, Anna Mae Herr '26 and B. Anton Hess '36 will continue to serve as representatives from their classes. From the period 1946-1965, Shirley Ann Breinig Duschl '51 and Jere W. Schuler '56 also were re-elected.

From the period 1966-1985, two new representatives will take seats with the Alumni Association's governing body. They are Brenda Balthasar Bergman '71 and Terry C. Kile '76.

President-elect Barbara Hunsberger '65 said she believed "the increased participation in voting signals a rising level of interest in Association involvement." She added that she hoped that "representatives whose terms expired and those candidates not elected will continue to serve the Alumni Association on committees and in a variety of programs and activities throughout the coming year."

New Alumni Officers *Hunsberger is President*



Mrs. Hunsberger

The new president of the Millersville University Alumni Association is Barbara Biemesderfer Hunsberger, '65.

Hunsberger took office on Alumni Day, succeeding Mrs. Elizabeth Kauffman, who served two one-year terms.

Other new Association officers are Tom Entenmann '47, vice president; Robert "Rusty" Remaley '64, secretary; and Harry K. Lines '40, treasurer.

The acquisitions librarian for Millersville University, Hunsberger has worked in Ganser Library since 1973. Prior to that, she was librarian for one year at Penn Manor High School and for six years at Centerville Junior High School.

Hunsberger holds two master's degrees: one in library science from Villanova University and one in American Studies from Penn State.

Active in the Alumni Association since 1980, Hunsberger served the last two years as Association vice-president and two years before that as secretary.

In June of 1981, Hunsberger was appointed by the University president as the faculty representative to the Alumni Council. In 1980, she served as chairperson for the "Search for Excellence" scholarship committee.

A regular volunteer caller for the Annual Fund Phonathons, she has served the University and the Alumni Association in a variety of other capacities. Among them was membership on the Council's legislative action committee.

She is also active in community and professional organizations including the Pennsylvania German Society and the Lancaster County Librarians Association.

SSHE Alumni

Alumni Legislators Honored

Four Millersville University alumni, three state legislators and a U.S. Congressman were among 26 governmental leaders honored at a dinner recognizing their achievements as alumni of the 14 State System of Higher Education institutions.

They included: U.S. Congressman Robert S. Walker (R), '64, Lancaster; State Senator Ralph W. Hess (R), '62, Spring Grove; State Senator H. Craig Lewis (D), '66, Feasterville; and State Representative Jere Schuler (R), '56, Lampeter.

The dinner was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Council of Alumni Associations. Sen. F. Joseph Loeper (R) of Drexel Hill, prime sponsor of legislation which created SSHE, was keynote speaker.



Florida Branches

West coast Florida alumni are urged to mark their calendars now for the annual Homecoming Day Picnic of the Suncoast Branch. This year the event will be held at Lake Seminole Park (Shelter #7) in St. Petersburg. For reservations and further information, or to offer to help with Suncoast Branch activities, contact Morris W. Rannels '38, 1835 Venetian Point Dr., Clearwater, FL 33515. Phone: (813) 447-8067.

Following a successful March event in Fort Lauderdale, plans are underway to establish a Gold Coast Branch centered close to West Palm Beach. Alumni interested in helping to organize the

group should contact Michelle Cravens '84, 740 Coco Plum Circle #6, Plantation, FL 33517. Phone: (305) 472-3168 or Bob Zellers '49, 709 NE 140 St., North Miami, FL 33161. Phone: (305) 891-7141.

Bucks County

Twenty-seven alumni and friends met April 10th at the Holiday Inn in Bensalem for the Bucks County Annual Dinner. Dr. Walter Vom Saal, associate vice-president for academic affairs, gave an overview of the 1986-1987 year at MU and spoke on the new General Education requirements' effect on Millersville's curriculum.

A summer dinner theatre evening in July is planned and a cruise on the Delaware is being considered for late summer or early fall. Alumni interested in working with Bucks County Branch events should contact Dr. Dominick DiNunzio '53, 37 Underwood Road, Levittown, PA 19053. Phone: (215) 946-5294.

Lancaster

The annual Spring Dessert Social of the Lancaster County Branch brought 240 alumni and guests to campus on April 14 for a performance of "Amadeus" by the National Players. Elections for 1987-88 Branch officers held the same evening resulted in the reelection of Bob Young '81 as president, Monica Reese '81, vice-president, and Gregg Bollinger '79, secretary-treasurer.

Lancaster Branch members also acted as chairpersons for the alumni weeks of the Spring Phonathon for the Annual Fund. This spring, calls were made to graduates of the 1970s. Chairpersons were Kim Thomas '78 and Monica Reese.

The Branch's social committee has proposed a Friday "Kick Off" celebration for Homecoming and a "Beef 'n' Ale" event with a dance for the same weekend (October 10). Also planned are a recreation day on campus, a dinner theatre evening, a late summer trip to the Phillies and the traditional Dessert Social next spring. Alumni interested in helping with any branch activities should phone Bob Young at (717) 392-6673.

Philadelphia & Suburban Branch

The 103rd annual meeting of the Philadelphia Branch was held April 24th at Williamson's Restaurant in Bala Cynwyd, and attended by 35 alumni and friends. Dr. James White, acting dean of education, gave an update of the past year on campus and described the new General Education Curriculum. Officers elected for the 1987-88 year were Frances M. Tracy '53, president; Gina Toy '82, vice-president; Kathleen Stetler '36, secretary; and Charles J. Benshetler '49, treasurer. Those alumni interested in working with the Philadelphia and Suburban Branch should write Frances Tracy at 213 N. Princeton Ave., Swarthmore, PA 19081. Phone: (215) 544-3988.

A planned trip to Veteran's Stadium to cheer the Phillies on against the Dodgers on May 20 was rained out. Philadelphia alumni should watch for mailings announcing the rescheduling of the ballgame trip in August and for other alumni events of special interest to young alumni.

York County

Over 100 alumni and friends met at Rutter's Family Restaurant in York for the York Branch Annual Dinner. Presented as a tribute to Dr. Luke Biemesderfer, president emeritus, was an intricately decorated cake depicting Biemesderfer Executive Center (the old library). Officers elected for 1987-88 were Dr. Robert A. Lease '70, president; Philip E. Kessler '57, vice president; Violet F. Markey '38, secretary; and Susan L. Jones, '59, treasurer.

Harrisburg

Following a Harrisburg Area Young Alumni "After Work" reception at the downtown Holiday Inn, a committee formed to plan events for young alumni in the Greater Harrisburg area. A steering committee is planning a fall activity on campus for alumni and families. Those interested in working with alumni in the Harrisburg area should contact Jane Schroeder Dalton '74, 1027 South Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17104. Phone: (717) 236-0481.

Western Weekend

MU Goes to Colorado and California



Everyone lined up for the historic first San Francisco alumni group photo. From left are Wade Brightbill '49, Mary Ziemendorf '31, Tom Slogan '66, Otto Ziemendorf, Rochelle Slogan, Terrence Patterson '68, Elizabeth Cooper '76, Craig Cooper, Jo Anne Fabrizio, and Gary Fabrizio '67.



Los Angeles area alumni who enjoyed visiting together were: top row, from left, Scott Warden '84, Tom Leslie '70, Angela Boulton '84, and Cora Zuck, '31; front row, from left, Matt Reabold '82, Noel Wolfe '84, Mike Brohoski '82 and Kerry Steigerwalt '81.

Millersville's alumni residing in western states return to campus far less frequently than those who remain in Pennsylvania, but they remain just as loyal. Distant alumni ties to Millersville were strengthened this spring when the Millersville Alumni office went on the road again.

During the first weekend in May, an alumni event in Colorado and two in California provided opportunities for alumni to catch the MU spirit in their home states. At each event, alumni viewed slides about Millersville and heard an update on academic, cultural and athletic activities of the past year.

Thanks to Deanna Kline '68, a dinner at the Brittany Hill Restaurant in Thornton, brought Denver area alumni together for the second year in a row.

In San Francisco, Tom Slogan '67 helped to organize Bay area alumni for an afternoon reception and lunch at the Grosvenor Airport Inn.

In Los Angeles, 25 alumni and friends of MU, including a number of recent and enthusiastic graduates, gathered at the Airport Marriott for lunch. Paul Kerper '66 helped to organize the L.A. event, and those attending asked him to begin a Southern California Branch. Any alumni interested in working with Paul should write to him at 9 Starflower, Irvine, CA 92714 or phone (714) 551-9484.



Clowning for the photographer in Denver were George Sneath, Jr. '49 and Cliff Meier '80.

Class Notes

Pre 1940s Milestones

Elanor Dissinger '27 retired after 21 years as librarian of the New Holland Community Library and was featured January in Lancaster's *Intelligencer Journal*.

Martha Stumpf Schaeffer '32 retired from teaching English and Latin at Parkland High School, Lehigh County. She actively serves as a member of several community organizations.

Mary E. Siefert '33 retired recently after 34 years as a St. Joseph Hospital Red Cross volunteer. She also taught 47 years in the Lancaster County School District.

Jane W. Shelly '37 was recently elected "Woman of the Year" by the Conestoga Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. She is a retired Lancaster County School District principal.

Deaths

Naomi Miley '03, age 104, died recently in Lancaster after a long illness.

Goldie F. Krushner '06, age 100, Morrisville High School vice principal and conservationist, died in March in Warrington. She was appointed by Gov. William Scranton to the Valley Forge Park Commission where she worked for four years.

Alma Landefeld '09 died in Suffolk, Virginia, several years ago. The University received news of her death only recently.

Ella S. Landis '14, age 94, died in April in her Quarryville home after a long illness. She taught in one-room schools in Lampeter, Landisville and Solanco for 16 years.

Emma C. Grosh '18 died recently in Lititz. She taught in New Jersey for 36 years.

Mary Carson Bowman '26, age 80, a Philadelphia artist and arts patron, died in March. She studied with sculptor Dominic D'Imperio and served several music and art organizations including the Philadelphia

Museum of Art and the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and the Art Alliance.

Naomi Hartman '25, age 83, died in January in Lancaster. She taught 42 years and served actively in her church.

Dr. Paul M. Kendig '27, age 80, died in January in State College after a long illness. He taught engineering research at several colleges and lectured internationally on underwater acoustics.

Gertrude Knisely Grove '27, age 80, died last July. She taught in York and New Jersey and served 39 years as an American Red Cross volunteer.

Oglenna Kriebel Ayers '31, age 78, died in February in Conshohocken. She taught 32 years in Conshohocken and served several community organizations.

James W. Posten '32, age 81, died in January in Laporte after a long illness. He worked 38 years for Armstrong World Industries and served actively in his church.

Julia J. Landis '33, age 73, died in April in Harrisburg. She taught in the York city schools for 13 years and volunteered for the York County Association of Retarded Citizens for 22 years.

Dr. Lloyd W. Showers '39, age 75, Juniata County teacher, principal, and superintendent, died in January in Lewistown. In 1983 he was honored by the MU Alumni Association for distinguished service.

1940s

Milestones

Dr. Charles E. Tressler '48 was recently named to a Hood College Board of Trustees' endowed chair. He has been a member of Hood's faculty since 1964.

Deaths

Alfred H. Thorp '41, age 69, died last October in Burbank, California after a long illness. He worked 32 years as special development coordinator for the Lockheed Corporation.

Ralph Edgar Zorger '49, age 62, retired Fairfax County, Virginia, teacher, died March in Florida.

1950s

Milestones

Robert Frey '50, Cleona, had his

metal work exhibited April in the Hershey Public Library. His work has also been exhibited in the New York Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Baltimore Museum of Art.

Bob Miller '50 was featured recently in the *Lancaster New Era* for his 1945 State wrestling championship. He and his wife retired to Ocean City, N.J. where he builds houses for a general contractor.

Donald Bissinger '52 retired from the Hempfield School District after 35 years as an educator and coach.

Patricia Cadden '54 is sales development manager for Chilton Book's school and library division.

Glen C. Dutterer '54 recently presented a "hands-on" elementary science workshop for the Central Bucks School District's in-service staff development day.

Charles H. Hartman '54 was recently named Red Lion School Board director. He and his wife live in Red Lion with their three sons.

Mae Wentz '55 teaches fourth grade in the Galeson School District and was profiled recently in the *Potter County Leader*. She and her husband live in Ulysses Township.

Bill Werkiser '55 and his son, Mark, coach the Delaware Valley College men's basketball team and were featured recently in *The Times Herald*. Bill taught 30 years at Norristown High School before starting full time at Del Val.

Janice Bobb Hoffmann '58 received her M.Ed. from Beaver College, Glenside, last August.

Henry B. Sprenkle '58 recently announced his candidacy for Windsor Township supervisor after 16 years as Township manager. He and his wife, Ann, have three children.

Ron Carnicella '59 was featured recently in the *Coaches' Journal* for his business success since coaching 15 years of Johnstown High School football. He is president of Courtesy Promotions, an advertising specialty firm, and Exxel Imprints, a silk screen printing company, in Ebensburg.

1960s

Milestones

Ronald L. Trimmer '60 is principal of Hannah Penn Middle School, York, and is a YCIAA basketball official. He was featured last December in the *York Daily Record* for his leadership both on court and in school.

Michael Bubb '61 appeared in a picture of the Red Lion Area School

District's "International Tuba Day" published by the photographic journal *A Day in the Life of America* and the February *Reader's Digest*. He is at the end of the top row wearing a tan jacket!

Emory Phillips '63 recently completed requirements to become a National Association of Securities Dealers member. Prior to starting his own business in 1984, he was a Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. sales representative for 18 years.

Donna Gerhart '66 substitute teaches in the Cocalico School District. She and her mother were featured recently in the *Sunday News* as co-chairpersons of the Hawk Valley 18-Hole Ladies League.

LeRoy T. Hopkins Jr. '66 is an associate professor of German at MU. He also writes and lectures on Lancaster County's black history and advises the state Historical and Museum Commission.

Elaine Blouse '67 is activity coordinator for the Lancaster County Art Association. Previously, she taught elementary school, and worked as an employment counselor.

Thomas G. Sechrist '67 is Downingtown Area School District's new Assistant to the Superintendent. He and his wife Cathy have two daughters.

Army Chief Warrant Officer Alan T. Conley '69 is stationed with the 51st Infantry, West Germany.

Jack Doyle '69, lobbyist, is director of agricultural resources projects for the Environmental Policy Institute. He was featured recently in *The Washington Post* for his attempts to focus policymakers' attention on "reason, logic and balance" in farm and food-related issues.

James R. Rineer '69 was recently named manager of sales and marketing for wood products at Alumax Aluminum, Home Products Division. Before joining Alumax in 1985 he was marketing manager for K-D Tools and director of marketing planning for Hamilton Watch Co.

Ilene S. Schnader '69 was promoted to job analyst in the compensation and benefits department of Victor F. Weaver, Inc. She is also enrolled in the American Compensation Association certification program.

Scott Spangler '69 had his acrylic paintings exhibited this spring at MU's Ganser Library Gallery. His work has been shown and recognized locally, regionally, and nationally.

John Stout '69 was named "Supervisor of the Year" by the Pennsylvania Council of Industrial Arts. He currently works as Norristown Area School District's Industrial Arts Instructional Leader.

Deaths

John H. Fissel '63, age 58, died unexpectedly in April in Lancaster. He taught in York County Schools and in the Warwick School District until his retirement in 1984.

Gertrude Elizabeth Morrow '63, age 88, died last December in Ephrata after a long illness. She taught in the Martindale one-room school and in Bergstrasse Elementary School, Ephrata School District, for 20 years before retiring in 1968.

John M. Koogler Jr. '68 died last December after an illness. He worked 9 years for the Lancaster Health Bureau and previously as a technician for St. Joseph Hospital's Research Institute.

Wayne Charles Mensch '68, age 40, died last December in Silver Springs, Md., following a brief illness. He worked as a computer systems analyst for the Department of the Navy, Washington D.C.

1970s

Milestones

Carol S. Avery '70 is one of eight elementary teachers among 60 persons, most of them college English professors, selected to participate in a national Coalition Conference for the Teaching of English to be held July 6-24 in Queenstown, Md. Sponsored by seven educational organizations and funded by the Rockefeller and Exxon Foundations, the coalition will examine new approaches to teaching English and language arts at all grade levels. Avery is a first grade teacher in Manheim Township School District.

Carl Meckley '70 ran for Akron Borough Council this spring. He teaches chemistry at Cocalico High School and resides in the Lancaster area with his wife and two children.

Joseph J. Mroczka '70, Ford Body and Assembly Division's plant engineering representative, won the 1986 Henry Ford Technological Award for developing a new automatic assembly plant paint control system.

Ernest Schreiber '70 was recently promoted to staff editor of the *Lancaster New Era*. He and his wife Jo-Ann reside in Lancaster Township.

Betty Doller Atwood '71 resigned from teaching in the North Penn School District to model in the Philadelphia area.

Lynne Eisenhart Emig '71 teaches elementary special education in the West Perry School District. She has

three children and resides in Ellitsburg.

Mary Gentzler '71 is the March of Dimes Lancaster County Chapter's executive director and was featured recently in Lancaster's *Sunday News* for her work in the April WalkAmerica walk-a-thon. She and her husband, Barry, reside in the Lancaster area with their daughters.

Dr. Robert L. Jones '71 teaches family and community medicine at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and participates in many government and education activities. He and his wife, Nancy, have two children and reside in Hummelstown.

Rebecca H. Simeral '71 and her husband, Mark, recently formed a residential construction company specializing in custom home building and renovation. Previously, she taught art at York Suburban High School for 12 years.

Jean Miller Good '72 and her husband, Jay, had their second child last July.

William R. Gretton III '72, administrative services director for the Colonial School District, recently presented a management workshop on purchasing for the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials. He resides in Newton.

Richard M. Moriarty '72 was named Bank of Lancaster County's Millersville branch manager. Previously, he worked 15 years for Commonwealth National Bank.

Cynthia A. Pagotto '72 is controller for New Holland Travel.

Mary Frances Schreiner '72 was honored in March by St. Joseph Catholic Church for 25 years of teaching.

Edward Sholonski '72 became a state licensed psychologist in January. He is currently North Penn's Mental Health/Mental Retardation associate director and resides in Wellsboro.

Dr. Vincent I. Walsh '72 was recently named Lancaster Life Center's chairperson of the board. The organization is a pro-life resource and referral center.

Darlene F. Woody '72 was named Bank of Pennsylvania's assistant human resource officer. She is also working toward her master's degree in industrial relations at St. Francis College, Harrisburg.

Air Force Major Rita Snyder Atherton '73 married Major Michael J. Atherton in January. She is stationed at Davis-Monthan AFB in Tucson, Arizona.

Patricia Baker '73 and her husband had a child early this year.

Leslye Moyer Blackwell '73 is a freelance feature writer for *The Mercury*.

Leslye and her husband, Randy, have two boys and reside in Pottstown.

Dr. Henry W. Fischer III '73, an assistant professor of sociology at Mount Union College, presented a paper entitled "The Mythical Portrayal of Natural Disasters in the National Print Media: A Content Analysis 1945-1985" at the annual meeting of the North Central Sociological Association. He and his wife have two children and reside in Alliance, Ohio.

Mary Hurst '73 and her husband, Mark, began a two-year Mennonite Central Committee assignment February in Saint John, New Brunswick, where Mark works as a community chaplain. They have three children.

Glenn Papazain '73 was promoted to Provident National Bank's assistant vice president in Philadelphia. He also anchors WNS-TV Cable Channel 2 News in New Castle, Delaware.

Joseph T. Scanlin '73, a second year seminarian at Pope John XXIII National Seminary, Mass., received the Ministry of Reader designation, a required step toward the priesthood. Before entering the seminary, he was director of religious education at St. Mary's Parish, Lebanon.

Dr. Michael Fuller '74 and his wife, Irene, opened a chiropractic practice offering whole family health care in Leola. In addition, the Fullers are Community Center for Health and Wellness staff members.

Michael T. Hudock '74, Union County Solicitor, was sworn in January as the county's second assistant district attorney. He received his law degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1977.

Dawn Marks '74 and her husband, Randy, recently presented a song service at Brunnerville United Methodist Church, Lititz. She teaches elementary school music in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District.

Dian Medio Merlino '74 and her husband, Dennis, had a baby boy on February 20th.

Michael H. Brenner '75 was promoted to Meridian Bank's Susquehanna Valley Division corporate banking manager. He also instructs various Lebanon Valley Chamber of Commerce programs and serves on the Lititz Sewer Authority.

Maria Martinez Espinosa '75 married Fidel Espinosa Jr. in March. Prior to marriage, she was a sales forecast analyst for Western Digital Corporation, California. The couple resides in Boston, Mass.

Lenora Flood '75 was honored recently by the Southern Huntingdon County Schools for her work as a school nurse. Previously, she worked

at the Fulton County Medical Center for 16 years.

Carol A. Hofmann '75 was appointed Lancaster Bible College's director of public information and alumni coordination. She and her husband, Steven, reside in Manheim Township with their two children.

Kenneth A. Keiser '75 was promoted to Bank of Pennsylvania vice president.

Steve Schaufert '75 was featured recently in the *Ephrata Review* for his football career at Ephrata High School. He currently works as sales manager for Chester County Subaru, Coatesville.

Ray A. Kunkel '75 received his M.Ed. in educational administration from Shippensburg University last December.

Kathryn Schlegelmilch Zweibo '75 had a baby last September.

Keven G. Sullivan '77 was recently appointed the American Red Cross Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter's Bucks County branch administrator. Previously, he held a similar position with the North Penn Branch of the Red Cross.

Bonnie Wright Yale married Robert B. Yale '77 in March. He is an independent computer consultant.

William E. Ambrose '78 was promoted in March to assistant executive director of ARC/The Terraces, a 120-bed chemical dependency treatment facility. Previously, he was Human Services Associates' administrator and St. Joseph Hospital's detoxification director.

David Dubbs '78 teaches economics and coaches boy's basketball at Ephrata High School. He was featured March in the *Ephrata Review* for his accomplishments with the team.

Robert D. McLaughlin '78 received his M.Ed. in educational administration from Shippensburg University last December.

Alan C. Michaels '78 teaches math and science in Palm Beach County, Florida. He has a one-year old son.

David W. Stoltzfus '78, University of Pennsylvania's director of Information Management Services, was elected to the Parkesburg Borough Council last December.

Thomas A. Anderson '79 is in business making pen-and-ink drawings of houses and other buildings. Previously, he taught elementary school in Lancaster.

Margaret Pickett Bitler '79 married Jonathan E. Bitler in January. Previously, she was a nurse for Physicians Medical Center in Wichita Falls, Texas. The couple resides in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Richard K. Fogarty '79 was named ComputerLand of Mechanicsburg's top sales producer for 1986. He joined ComputerLand in 1982.

James Haun '79 and his wife, Kay, had a boy on February 21st.

H. Brisbin Skiles II '79 is a C.P.A. and a partner with Hogg & Co. C.P.A., Christiana.

Patricia Kiessling Siegler '79 received her M.Ed. in special education from Shippensburg University last December.

Deaths

Dorothy White '70, age 43, died March after an illness. She taught second grade at the Living World Academy, Leola, and was a former Urban League of Lancaster associate director.

1980s

Milestones

Penelope Schwartz Boran '80 and her husband, Thomas, had a son last August 16th.

Robert E. Drescher '80 was promoted February to Volunteer Firemen's Insurance Services' regional marketing manager.

Roger P. Collins '80 teaches industrial arts/technology at North Carroll High School, Hempstead, Maryland. His recent article entitled "Helping Poor Readers Succeed," published October in *School Shop*, received national acclaim.

William E. Johnston '80 was promoted to First Pennsylvania Bank's commercial loan officer. He resides in Hatboro with his wife, Judith.

Melissa Williams Leslie married Harry C. Leslie '80 in April. The couple resides in New Florence. He is a Better Sound Electronics computer programmer.

Sharon F. Gettel '81 was named "Outstanding Young Educator" by the Pennsylvania Jaycees for her expertise and involvement as a second and third grade teacher at Jonestown Elementary School, Northern Lebanon School District.

Teresa L. Grahm '81 was promoted to Farmers Bank and Trust Company's assistant vice president and Gettysburg Office Manager.

Mary Lou Jenkins '81 was appointed manager of Partial Hospitalization's program for the emotionally distressed in January. She and her husband, Merlyn, reside in Lancaster.

William Martin '81 recently became certified in production and inventory management by the American Production and Inventory Control Society. He is a division planner for R.R. Donnelley & Sons Co.

Karen Brooks Shepherd '81 married Dr. Jan Monroe Shepherd in January. She is a doctoral student at Temple University and is employed by MU.

Brian Speck '81 and Nancy Remaly Speck '81 had a daughter last November. He is a food broker with Loar and Young, Lancaster. Prior to the birth, she was a medical social worker at the Cumberland Nursing Home. The couple resides in Carlisle.

Cindy Taylor '81 performed earlier this year in "Take Me Along" at the off-Broadway Equity Liberty Theatre in New York City. Previously, she performed in a number of shows at the Fulton Opera House, Lancaster.

Donald E. Williams '81 recently graduated from Temple Law School and was admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar. He resides in Newtown.

Robert E. Wilson Jr. '81 received his M.Ed. in special education from Shippensburg University last December.

Diane Sabol Hammond married Robert Hammond '82 in March. He works for Sony Consumer Service Co., Langley Park, Md.

John J. Moore '82 received his Doctor of Osteopathy degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine last May. He is an intern at the Osteopathic Medical Center of Philadelphia.

Anna-Marie Jones Santangelo '82 married Robert A. Santangelo last November. She is a neonatal intensive care nurse at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia.

Sharon L. Smith '82 was honored as Doylestown Hospital's February employee of the month. She is a kindergarten teacher in the hospital's on-site day care center.

Pat Sweikowski '82, Lancaster, supplements her substitute teaching income making and selling boomers. Her business, "You Rang?," was featured March in Lancaster's *Intelligencer Journal*.

Alan P. Tezak '82 received his M.S. in administration of justice from Shippensburg last December.

Lori Weiler '82 began a two-year Mennonite Central Committee assignment in Hindman, Kentucky. She works as an adult educator at the Hindman Settlement School.

Carolyn L. French '83, Willow Street, was promoted to Fulton Bank Penn Square office's commercial mortgage loan manager. She is also

Family Album

MU Alumnus Heading for Japan



Doreen Marshman congratulates husband Rob '85 on his master's degree.

His life's goal is to contribute to greater understanding among people of different cultures and Rob Marshman's accomplishments in recent years indicate that he may some day achieve that dream.

The 1985 Millersville graduate has just received his master's degree in Russian Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies and Languages, one of the most respected institutions of its kind in the nation. This spring, he and another Monterey student were interviewed in Russian by *The Voice of America*, discussing foreign language studies in the United States. The broadcast was part of the 40th anniversary observation of *The Voice of America* radio network.

In August, Marshman begins working as a teacher at the Tokyo Foreign Language College, instructing Japanese students in Russian and English. He sees the job in Japan as a step toward a career administering cultural, citizen and work exchange programs between and among Russia, Japan and the United States.

"Russia and Japan are America's two most important counterparts and our two main rivals, one political and one economic. Yet, they are the cultures we understand least. There has been strong interest in exchange programs expressed by the Japanese and Russian governments and just recently a hint of some interest by the United States.

"One reason I've decided to teach in Japan is to polish my Japanese so that I'm in a position to work in three countries and three languages." Marshman had a dual major in English and Russian at Millersville, graduating cum laude. Before receiving his bachelor's degree, he studied for one summer in Japan and another at the Pushkin Institute in Moscow. He also married a Japanese-American woman he had met studying Russian during a summer program at Monterey in 1983. His wife, Doreen, had an American father and grew up in both Texas and Japan. She speaks both English and Japanese without an accent and will be studying at the Academy of Interpretation, planning for a career as an interpreter.

Marshman says he took every course in Russian Millersville offered, spending a lot of time in the classes of MU's only Russian prof, Daniel Kogut. "Although Millersville's program in Russian was small and limited," Marshman commented, "there was a positive aspect in that classes were four and five students and we received a great deal of personal attention and support. When I started graduate work, I was just as prepared as alumni of large universities."

A 1978 graduate of Manheim Township High School, Marshman, age 27, is the son of Bud and Janet Woolley of Lancaster.

working toward her MBA at Shippensburg University.

Sharon McGlynn Paff '83 married Tom Paff in March. She works as a travel consultant for her family's business, Villanova Travel, Villanova. The couple resides in Wayne.

Kendra Whisler Smith '83 received her M.B.A. from Shippensburg University last December.

Eric Stallworth '83 teaches English in Naganonshi, Japan, as part of a merit teacher exchange program. After 6 months abroad, he returns to Clearwater, Florida to teach industrial arts.

Melinda S. Winger '83 is a marketing representative for Lancaster Community Hospital.

Corie Zink '83 directed a program this spring for senior citizens called "Body Recall" at the Hazleton YMCA/YWCA.

Wendy Wainer Bricker married Mark D. Bricker '84 in January. He works for St. Joseph Hospital, Lancaster. The couple resides in Lancaster.

Kevin D. Collins '84 passed his final Pennsylvania State Board of Funeral Directors licensing examination. He assists his father at the Edward L. Collins Funeral Home, Oxford.

David M. Emswiler '84 took first place in the Keystone Press Awards' Investigative Reporting Series category, the highest journalistic honor in Pennsylvania. He won the award for his in-depth series on alleged cruelty to animals at Hazleton Research Products Inc., Denver.

Army 1st Lt. Tom Little '84 and his wife, Marigene Morgan Little '85 had a boy in January. Tom is stationed at Ft. Campbell, Kentucky with the 101st Airborne Division.

Army 1st Lt. James C. Petrosky '84 is stationed with the 554th Engineer Battalion, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.

Lawrence Rosenquist '84 is Lebanon Good Samaritan Hospital's nursing department coordinator of staff management.

Amy Haverstick Selheimer '84 married Scott W. Selheimer '85 in February. She works for Christiana School District in Wilmington. He is assistant sports information director for the University of Delaware.

Brian Enzman '85, Lancaster, performed in the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre's rendition of "A Chorus Line" this spring.

Amy Seybert Eroh married Ronald L. Eroh '85 last December. He is an assistant footwear manager at K-Mart, Allentown.

Linda J. Herr '85 began a three-year Mennonite Central Committee assignment in Cairo, Egypt. She

teaches English at the Coptic Orthodox Institute.

Army 1st Lt. James M. Klusa '85 is an executive officer with the 559th Artillery Group, Italy.

Brenda Waddell Macbeth married Scott Douglas Macbeth '85 in February. He works for Hamilton Bank's Administrative Service Center, East Petersburg.

Allen E. Margerum '85 was promoted to Chess King's Glen Burnie store manager. He resides in Glen Burnie, Maryland.

Navy Ensign William S. Moyer '85 is stationed with the Training Squadron 24, Naval Air Station, Chase Field, Beeville, Texas.

Vesta L. Mullaney '85 is St. Charles General Hospital's employment coordinator in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Lisa Lowright Pinter '85 teaches second grade in the Allentown School District. She and her husband, Fran, reside in Bethlehem.

Air Force Sr. Airman Margaret M. Schmidt '85 has been named Airman of the Quarter for exemplary duty performance, job knowledge and leadership qualities. She is an information systems control specialist with the 2112th Communications Squadron, England.

Airman 1st Class W. Paul Wagner III '85 graduated from the U.S. Air Force production control specialist course at Sheppard AFB, Texas.

Judith A. Androconis '86 is an American Title Insurance settlement officer in Lancaster.

Jacqueline Mummert Bankert '86 married Richard G. Bankert last June. The couple resides in Marion, South Carolina. She teaches third grade in Rains-Centenary School District #3.

Carla A. Cook '86 is a Lancaster Guidance Center bilingual case manager. She resides in Lancaster.

2nd Lt. Darrel T. Lowma '86 completed the field artillery officer basic course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Scott Moisey '86 teaches at Northampton Junior High School, Northampton County.

2nd Lt. Michael K. Sheaffer '86 completed the Armor officer basic course, cavalry, at the U.S. Army Armor Center, Ft. Knox, Kentucky.

Colleen M. White '86 teaches third grade at Willard Model School, Norfolk, Virginia.

Yvonne M. Wiestling '86 is developmental resources program specialist for Lebanon County.

Judith Hykes Zirkle married Carson H. Zirkle '86 last November. He works for Olivetti, Harrisburg. The couple resides in Manchester.

Organic Matter



by

Joseph A. Caputo

Near the end of the Spring semester, I attended banquets honoring our men's and women's state championship basketball teams. Two seniors spoke for each team, John Fox and Andrew Marshall for the men, and Sue Heckler and Peg Kauffman for the women. All four thanked the audience—teammates, coaches, faculty, parents and us "administrators"—for giving them support and encouragement. Each of the young people credited others for their success. They spoke in simple terms, but with an emotion that made their words eloquent. Around me were people of different backgrounds, ages, and races. But, when we applauded the young athletes, we were together in spirit. I was moved by the unity.

At both dinners, I thought back to the historic half-week at Millersville which culminated with those championship victories. On Wednesday, February 25, the men won the Eastern Division PSAC title. On Thursday, a student referendum on increasing the student building fee to expand the Student Center resulted in a 60 percent yes vote, ensuring that future students would have adequate recreational and activity space. It was an important decision. On Friday, faculty approved a new General Education curriculum, one that will build stronger foundations for students in writing, math and critical-thinking skills. Then came Saturday. First, the women's basketball team won the PSAC championship and that night the men accomplished the same feat, winning their first title since 1958.

I understand that approving a new curriculum was the event of singular importance. When the changes go into effect in 1988, they will strengthen the educational base for all students. However, at the time of the faculty vote, that was far into the future.

Winning the state championships was immediate, electric, and great fun. The victories brought all of us together as we celebrated that night, just as it brought us together each week during the season as we cheered the teams.

This school year was a remarkable one for Millersville sports. In addition to the achievement of both basketball teams, our football team was 9-1. Our women's field hockey team won the state championship for the second year in a row. And, we sent two tennis players to the national NCAA tournament.

Speaking favorably about college sports is somewhat hazardous for college presidents, especially at schools involved in big-time sports. At Millersville, relatively a small university, although we are proud of our athletic program, teaching and learning are the essence of the institution. Academics are first priority and our athletes are students first. Yet, I think we could be more honest and analytical about the importance of the athletic enterprise to the life of the University. The thousands who filled Pucillo Gymnasium repeatedly last winter created an energy that was carried outside the gym. Athletes learned about life as they competed and fans experienced greater pride in Millersville. Team members became heroes and brought a synergism to campus life.

The variety, beauty and spirit of Millersville University is manifested in many ways. One way is an athletic program that produces players who give of themselves while learning lessons of self expression, self discipline and teamwork. I was impressed by the words of our young athletes who thanked us. But, it is we who should thank them.

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