

“Together” is the new name of this newsletter for friends of the University. In this edition and over the months ahead, we will share stories that demonstrate the variety of learning experiences on campus and illustrate the impact that private giving makes in the lives of our students. As you will read, everyone can help make a difference. Especially, when we join Together.

## Glorious Sounds of the Season

Previewing the Annual Scholarship Concert



*The ultimate holiday playlist.*

*Pitch perfect performances.*

*A musical thrill ride making audience members laugh, cry and sing out loud.*

Since 2006, the organizers of Glorious Sounds of the Season have been making this list and checking it ... well, more than twice.

From symphony orchestras and choirs to jazz ensembles and glee clubs, nearly 30 performance groups share the stage (and the aisles) over the course of this annual showcase. Plus, with holiday song selections ranging from traditional to popular to world music, Glorious Sounds of the Season is a true musical

variety show. There is a performance for everyone.

For many, the highlight is the program’s final singalong.

“It has become tradition that the finale be the Hallelujah Chorus performed by all 250 student performers with 650 attendees joining along,” explained Dr. Jeffrey Gemmell, Instructor of Music.

“Plus,” Dr. Gemmell added in jest, “closing the show with Hallelujah ensures a standing ovation.”

Just as important as the music, there is another highlight that is worthy of an ovation. With support from donors like you, Glorious Sounds of the Season

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## EVENT INFORMATION

- What:** Glorious Sounds of the Season
- When:** Saturday, December 2, 2017 at 4 P.M. & 7:30 P.M.  
Sunday, December 3, 2017 at 2:30 P.M.
- Where:** Clair Performance Hall, Winter Center  
60 West Cottage Avenue, Millersville
- Costs:** \$20 Reserved Seating  
\$25 (Door)  
\$5 MU Students with an ID (Saturday Only)

*Subject to availability. Early registrations are encouraged.*

raised \$27,000 in 2016 alone – with every dollar directly benefiting Millersville University students via scholarships and musical development programming. In addition to tuition assistance, these resources help cover the costs of student performances and hands-on learning experiences throughout the year.

It is this joyous nature of music with a purpose that strikes a chord with audience members and keeps them coming back to Glorious Sounds holiday season after holiday season.

“We receive notes, cards and emails from concertgoers every year thanking our students for this performance,” said

Dr. Keith Wiley, associate professor of Music. “For many families, coming together at Millersville and attending Glorious Sounds of the Season has become their holiday tradition.”

Dr. Wiley concluded, “And we are very thankful for their long-standing and generous support of our students.”

To make Glorious Sounds of the Season your family tradition, tickets are now available for purchase online at artsMU.com or by calling (717) 871-7600. While early reservations are encouraged, a limited number of tickets will also go on sale at the door beginning one hour prior to show time at the Winter Center. ✚

## GLORIOUS NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

- 30** Average Number of Holiday Musical Selections
- 75** Minutes of Glorious Sounds
- 2,500+** Total Student and Faculty Performers (Since 2006)
- 15,000+** Total Attendees (Since 2006)
- \$200,000+** Dollars Raised for Scholarships and Student Learning Experiences (Since 2006)

# HELPING HANDS

## Biology Alum Explains Why He is Giving Back to the ‘Ville

“If it wasn’t for the education I received at Millersville,” said Dr. Joseph Choi ‘96, “I wouldn’t be where I am today.”

An orthopedic surgeon, husband and father of three living in Athens, Pennsylvania, Joe is honoring this sentiment by funding an endowment to help today’s students with their educational experiences. Along



with his wife, Eileen, Joe recently established The Choi Family Biology Endowment for Anatomic Studies.

The purpose of the fund is to support the costs of specimens to be used for teaching and research purposes under the supervision of Millersville faculty members.



Joe specifically credits Dr. John Hoover, now Biology Department Chair, with providing him opportunities to participate in research that gave him the leg up on his peers.

“Dr. Hoover and his colleagues,” explained Joe, “provided me

with hands-on opportunities that were quite unique for undergraduates.”

He continued, “In fact, at med school, I found that I had more exposure to human anatomy due to my experience at Millersville than my peers from Ivy League schools.”

Originally from Radnor, Pennsylvania, Joe was a biology major and a member of the Archery Club. But it was his classroom experiences at Millersville that led him to a combined MD/PhD program at the State University of New York, Upstate Medical University in Syracuse, New York.

Now, a fellowship-trained shoulder surgeon, Joe continues to stay in touch with Dr. Hoover. And similar to their collaboration in the 1990’s, their conversations on the needs of today’s students spurred Joe and Eileen’s gift.

“It is just like Joe to help us assist our students,” said Dr. Hoover. “This fund will lead to excellent training and unique experiences to put our students ahead of the competition.”

“I consider Dr. Hoover a mentor and a friend,” Joe stated. “Because of his guidance and my education at Millersville, Eileen and I are fortunate that we can help serve as role models and help engage learners today.” ✚

### Endowments 101

An endowment may be created by investing or pledging a minimum of \$25,000 over five years with the Millersville University Foundation. The original gift is never spent, but rather invested in perpetuity as part of the Foundation’s total endowment. For more information on how to join the Choi family and establish an endowed gift to Millersville, [“Click Here”](#)

# INVESTING IN THE “MARAUDER FUND”

## A Student Managed Portfolio

Dr. Mike Gumper, Professor of Economics

In September, the Millersville University Foundation unanimously approved the funding of the Marauder Fund, a unique learning experience and career enhancing opportunity for students. The Marauder Fund is a student investment association open to all Millersville University students interested in learning about personal finance, financial markets, economics and investing.

Starting in the spring of 2018, students can join the Marauder Fund from any major or experience level. Members of the Marauder Fund will participate in educational events and activities created and sponsored by the student association. Events and activities will focus on facilitating and enhancing learning on topics related to



financial markets including saving and investing, corporate finance, financial market regulation, business ethics, fiscal and monetary policy, financial and managerial accounting models and career development in financial services.

A unique component of the Marauder Fund is a student managed investment portfolio that provides students with hands-on investment experience. Modeled on other undergraduate investment associations from across the nation, the Marauder Fund will provide students with an opportunity to invest and manage real money, network with alumni and regional professionals and gain real-world experience sure to enhance any job application. ✦

“In my finance classes, I’ve learned the fundamentals of capital markets and securities,” said Jack Highfill ’18, student CEO of the fund. “Managing the Marauder Fund will provide me the opportunity to use those lessons and make the University a return on its investment.”

*\* The Marauder Fund is managed under the auspices of Cornerstone Advisors Asset Management, LLC.*



AMERICAN  DREAM  
SCHOLARSHIP RIDE

Thank you to the donors, sponsors and participants who helped raise more than \$85,000 for the American Dream Scholarship over the past year. This year’s culminating Scholarship Ride was held on September 16.

Benefiting students with excellent academic records, outstanding dedication to community service and demonstrated financial need, these scholarship dollars will allow our students to pursue the “American Dream.” ✦



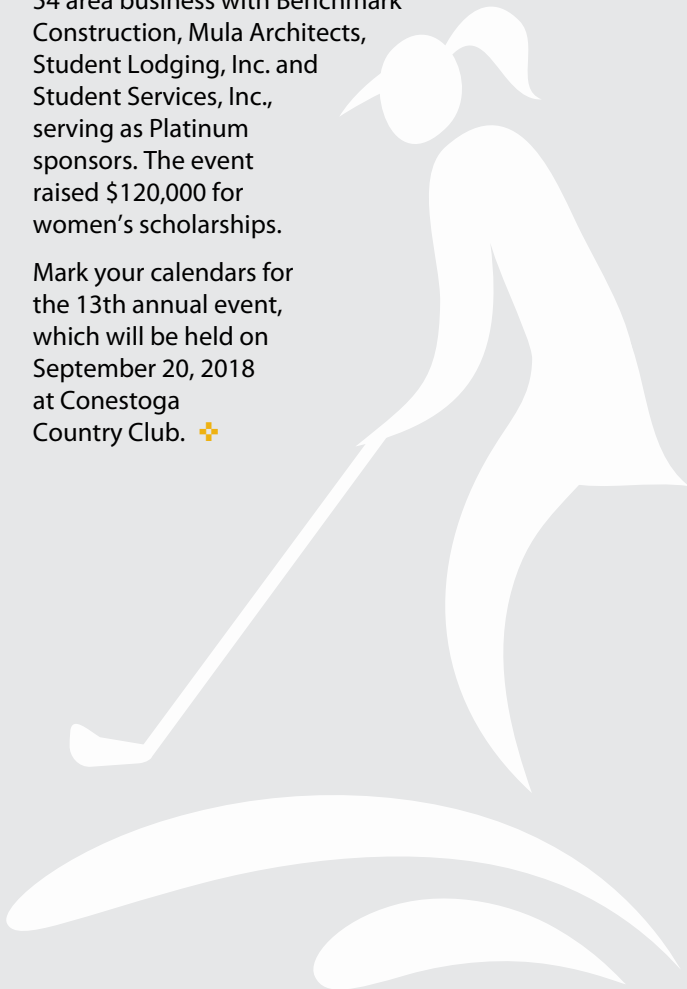


# MARAUDER Athletics

## Lady Marauder Pride Golf Tournament

The 12th annual Lady Marauder Pride Golf Tournament was a success in raising money for the scholarship programs of the 12 women's intercollegiate athletic teams at Millersville. Alumni, friends of athletics and businesses totaled 140 participants. The event was sponsored by 54 area business with Benchmark Construction, Mula Architects, Student Lodging, Inc. and Student Services, Inc., serving as Platinum sponsors. The event raised \$120,000 for women's scholarships.

Mark your calendars for the 13th annual event, which will be held on September 20, 2018 at Conestoga Country Club. ❖



## Marauder Baseball

Millersville history was made on August 15 in Toronto, Canada. Former Millersville pitcher Tim Mayza took the Rogers' Centre mound for the Toronto Blue Jays, becoming the first Marauder to pitch in Major League Baseball since Jim Todd in 1969.

Mayza played for the Marauders from 2011-2013, before being drafted following an All-America junior season. Mayza climbed through the minor leagues for four-plus seasons, making stops in Vancouver; Bluefield, West Virginia; Dunedin, Florida; Manchester, New Hampshire; and Buffalo, New York before getting the call to the big leagues. Mayza played the remainder of the season with the Blue Jays, appearing in 19 games, totaling 17 innings pitched with 27 strikeouts. He picked up his first career victory on September 12 against the Baltimore Orioles. His final appearance of the season came against the New York Yankees in Yankee Stadium. He entered in the eighth inning and promptly struck out Didi Gregorius and Starlin Castro. ❖



Coach Jon Shehan and Tim Mayza enjoy a moment in the Blue Jay's dugout.

# RECORD SETTING Fall Performances

**Football:** *Sean Dugan* broke his own program record for tackles in a game in Millersville's win over Seton Hill. He totaled 21 tackles including 13 solo stops and was later named PSAC East Defensive Player of the Week for the second time in his career.

**Volleyball:** *Erin Harman* became just the third player in program history to total 1,000 career kills and 1,000 career digs. Harman, also a member of the track and field team as a pole vaulter, ranks second all-time in kills.

**Field Hockey:** *Kathleen Bishop* scored four goals in Millersville's win over Queens, tying her for the second-most goals ever scored in a game by a Marauder. The team also posted eight shutouts in a row during the season, which came within one of the school record for consecutive shutouts.

**Men's Golf:** *Connor Sheehan* shot a 6-under-par 66 at the Le Moyne Invitational, tying the Millersville scoring record previously set by Corey Gast in 2006-07. Sheehan went on to finish runner-up at the PSAC Championship, shooting a 3-under 68 in the second round. ✚

To stay up to date on the latest, visit [MillersvilleAthletics.com](http://MillersvilleAthletics.com).

## Sunflower Greene

recorded an historic 2016-17 season. Greene set all-time PSAC records in both the outdoor shot put and hammer throw. She was an All-American in the indoor and outdoor seasons and was named the PSAC Outdoor Field Athlete of the Year in addition to the championships' MVP.



## ATHLETICS GIVING

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2015 \$590,712

2016 \$1,019,656

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