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to our readers



THE CURRENT ISSUE OF THE TOWER DISCUSSES A topic which is very near to my heart, that of creating a campus that is representative of a broader cultural landscape, where every student can find a place in the university community, and all students are prepared to meet the challenges of a growing global economy.

Several years ago we made the decision that Kutztown University would be truly reflective of the community around us.

Nationally, minority cultures have not participated in higher education at the same level as the majority population. In the mid-1990s, minorities represented 6 percent of the student population on our campus. We wanted to change that and provide an environment of opportunity for all, regardless of cultural, social, or economic background.

The university began work on a recruiting process whereby the parents were involved along with the students. We changed the nature of campus life by encouraging outreach programs and established a supportive campus environment.

Today, the enrollment is at an all-time high and more accurately reflects the social diversity of America.

We were not the first generation to strive toward equality on campus. There are those who worked to lead the way. They did not let the prevailing pressures of the day dissuade them from their goals. I am proud to say that some of those banner carriers for diversity are still a part of the KU community contributing in the classroom, as advisors or committee and board members, and outreach volunteers.

Through these successes and many more to come, we believe the future of Kutztown University will be as broad and diverse as the world around us.

F. Javier Cevallos
President

Kutztown University of Pennsylvania will serve the Commonwealth as a dynamic, technologically advanced, collaborative, learning-centered public university. Kutztown University will be accessible to Pennsylvanians and others, sensitive to the need for diverse backgrounds in its faculty, staff, students and community, accountable to its many constituencies, and actively engaged in the continuous improvement of its programs and services. Above all, Kutztown University will prepare graduates to succeed in a global economy, to contribute to the economic and social well being of the state and nation, to assume active roles in their communities, and to lead productive and meaningful lives.



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Hindsight Revealed!

The Hindsight photograph on the back of the Spring 2005 Tower turned out to be a real brain teaser. Many of the faces look familiar, but no one knew for sure just of what, where, or when the picture was taken.

KU's own associate director of admissions, Valerie Reidout, '83 and '96, said the event was a reunion of cheerleaders held sometime in the mid 1980's. Valerie is in the very top row just right of center.

Bonnie Burke Perkins '68 says she is holding the doll and guesses the lady with the glasses is her cousin Danille Danko Gilly '70.

Other best guesses include: front row, left to right starting with the lady in the plaid pants who is Jane Rudolph Treacy, next is Perkins followed by Robert David Harvey '85, and Cindy Reichard Hillegass '73 in the diamond sweater vest.

The only person on the second row, other than Gilly, identified is Judith Romanoski '71 on the far right. One row up, just above her is Elizabeth Detwiler '80. And finally, the top row is Darrah Hall Schlegel '78 and '83, Suzanne Weaver Martinez '80, and Reidout.

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A COMMON PATH:

ARRIVING FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE:

INTRODUCTION BY RAMONA D. TURPIN '73 B.S.ED., COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES CHAIR • ARTICLES BY CRAIG WILLIAMS



Every person dreams of a better life; whether one begins life in the heart of an inner city, on a farm in a rural community, on the sands of a desert plain, or in a planned development in suburbia. Although each of those beginnings lays a socio-cultural pathway with a distinct set of beliefs, customs and experiences, the human desire to achieve beyond the apparent end of a road well traveled by others like us is great.

Thus, a better life is more than the superficial notion of the grass being greener along another person's path. Included in better is the recognition that different pathways offer different kinds of opportunities to direct or re-direct one's own life, regardless of previous paths taken. For everyone, identifying the path of higher education is easy; for many, however, the access ramp to that life-changing pathway remains elusive. Kutztown University has been and continues to be an access point as we actively support those who desire to transform their lives.

In this issue of the Tower, we provide a glimpse of how accessing and successfully traveling the path of higher education is very personal. Migdalia Perez, a first generation college graduate, describes the importance of cultural affirmation and inclusion in college. Arthur Garrison, who arrived from the Bronx, N.Y., remembers being attracted to the campus and attributes his college success to the supportive faculty. Yalcin Bulut's journey, while academically successful, highlights our renewed commitment to transitional support for international students.

For Professor Sam Westmoreland, Kutztown University was not only his pathway to higher education, but was the interchange that launched him on his career path as an educator. Using his personal life and college experiences, Professor Westmoreland provides diverse students with support and advice gleaned from real life experience.

And Bill Yurvati, whose background clearly illustrates the difficulty of establishing a cultural identity, also shows what can be done through just a simple act of kindness.

And last but not least is Bessie Crenshaw, the first African-American to graduate from Kutztown. Her recollections portray the complicated struggle associated with both gaining access to college and successfully completing it. At the same time, Ms. Crenshaw sensitively captures the promise of education for all our alumni: a way to fulfill one's dreams of a better life.

PHOTO BY CRAIG WILLIAMS



MIGDALIA PEREZ '03
B.A. SOCIOLOGY

A NEW GENERATION OF DOERS

Students attending KU today are finding the campus is far more reflective of the social makeup of the surrounding communities than ever before. The wave of the future began just a few years ago with a unified initiative to increase the enrollment of minority students.

Already, new generations of first-time college graduates, such as Migdalia Perez '03 B.A. Sociology, are attending university, finding a career, and starting families of their own. Hopefully their experiences will establish a new family tradition of lifelong learning.

Today Perez is employed as the mentoring and arts program coordinator at the Olivet Boys and Girls Club of Reading. She knows from experience that being the first person in a family to go to college is a tough adjustment for all to make. But the end result was well worth the struggle.

"I was determined to be the first person in my family to attend college, contrary to what others believed. So I began the college-prep program. No one

I knew thought college was for Latinos," she said.

Today's students are Internet savvy. To help make the decision to go to KU easier, the university website is posted in English and Spanish, one of the few in the nation to have such a feature.

"Once I decided that college was one of my goals, I was interested in KU since it was the only university that I really knew about. I did apply to other schools, but KU was close to home, yet not too close," Perez said.

Fitting in with others is always a challenge for a new student, but it wasn't long before Perez found the Spanish-speaking community on campus has a strong and supportive presence.

"I remember sitting in the South Dining Hall during my first semester, and two very nice Latinas approached me and asked if I was Latina as well. They took me to their table and told me about the Student Alliance for Learning Success and Achievement or SALSA. They really helped me to find my place."

The Kutztown campus of the 21st Century is a modern reflection of the communities it serves. Students are

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made to feel welcome and support is always right around the corner. Other multi-cultural support groups on campus include the Minority Achievement Coalition and the Black Student Union.

And Greek life is becoming equally diverse as well, thanks to the groundbreaking efforts of students like Perez.

"I became involved with a group who worked hard to bring a multicultural sorority and Latino fraternity to campus. We are now proud to say the Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority and the Lambda Sigma Upsilon Latino Fraternity are part of the KU Greek life."

THE TRIALS OF NORMALCY

By the late 1980s, students were more likely to choose Kutztown University for the affordable education and nearness to large cities than any other factors.

Arthur Garrison '90 B.A. Political Science, was one such student. When he entered the university in 1986, the transition was unremarkable. He said what ultimately attracted him to the campus was its beauty.

"I graduated from Harry S. Truman High School in the Bronx, N.Y., and two things brought me to Kutztown. First, the university has a very good political science program, and second, the campus was full of grass, trees and open space."

Along with the inviting natural setting, the social environment provided an excellent back drop to concentrate on school work.

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ARTHUR GARRISON '90
B.A. POLITICAL SCIENCE

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The positive campus atmosphere made all the difference, Garrison said, giving him the confidence to succeed.

"I found the professors kind and supportive of me. In fact if it were not for the mercy of one, the blessing of God with another, and the advice of a third, I would never have graduated."

The student body was sophisticated, he said. Perhaps because of the changes made throughout the country during the civil rights era, or perhaps because the world around Kutztown was changing and growing every day, Garrison said he never came across a racial issue worth remembering.

"I guess I decided that race was of no account to me, and so I did not notice if others did."

Today Garrison works as the director of planning and is the senior researcher for the Delaware Criminal Justice Council which provides criminal justice research and planning for the state.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS: ADJUSTING TO A NEW CULTURE

Imagine traveling half-way around the world to attend university. Now imagine that no one speaks your language, understands your customs or your culture.

Yalcin Bulut '91 M.S. Public Administration, and his family took that challenge in order for him to continue his education. But it wasn't easy. The contrasts he found in Berks and Lehigh counties, and having to live around large cities, but needing to travel into a rural environment to attend school, was confusing at first for a family from Turkey.

Before entering this new world of cows, corn, cars and commotion, Bulut was the governor of Turkey's Kecioborlu District. An administrator by trade – he has a B.A. Political Science from Ankara University – by definition he is a public servant.

For him to study abroad, his government would only allow him to attend publicly-owned schools.

After searching through many viable colleges, Bulut chose Kutztown for its nearness to large metropolitan centers on the east coast. He soon realized Berks County is not Philadelphia or New York City.

And to make matters worse, he was trained in the British English standard, so American colloquialisms, idioms, slang and jargon were all new to him and his family.

Unlike city environments in his country, the mixture of rural country roads, winding through farms and valleys with busy thoroughways and interstates, turned his daily commute into an exercise in orienteering.

"I could find, with difficulty, my way from my home in Emmaus [Pa.] to the university, which was relatively far away for a foreign student," he said.

Overall, the experience left Bulut and his family feeling isolated.

"Because I went to school in the evenings for graduate courses, there was no time to look for friends. I, and especially my wife, felt ourselves alone."

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YALCIN BULUT '91 M.S.
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

PHOTO COURTESY OF YALCIN BULUT

Bulut worked through it all and graduated with honors. Today he is the Lieutenant Governor of Turkey's Konya Province. Still, he feels closer attention to helping international students would enhance the multi-cultural diversity on campus.

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A TIME OF CHANGE AND CHALLENGES

The college scene in the '60s was an emotionally tumultuous time when students sought and demanded change. Civil rights, equal rights and women's rights were just some of the burning issues of the day, and Sam Westmoreland

'66 B.S. Education, was in the center of it all. First as a student, then as an advisor and council member, and now as a member of the KU faculty, this professor of anthropology and sociology not only teaches the lessons of equal rights but lives with them as well.

Westmoreland's background in sociology and his own experience as one of a few black students on Kutztown's campus during the early 1960s, equipped him with an insight and understanding that allowed him to unravel tense situations on campus during an era of political and student protest.

For Westmoreland, the reality of unequal rights was unexpectedly woven into the tapestry of his life when an act of unkindness changed his outlook forever.

As an outstanding high school football player, Westmoreland had a scholarship inquiry from Penn State University. He was never told about that offer until it was too late to accept. Had he been informed of the opportunity, Westmoreland could have become the first black PSU football scholarship recipient in his high school.

Despondent and depressed, Westmoreland put all thoughts of college out of his mind until his guidance counselor, a Kutztown alumnus, suggested he consider the state teachers' college.

It wasn't football, but it was an education, and it was a career.

"He helped me find a job on campus, and to secure additional funding from the Optimist Club," Westmoreland said.

Upon graduation from Kutztown, he began teaching 9th grade world cultures. When Westmoreland returned to campus in the late '60s to earn a master's degree, he found himself in the middle of student unrest and demonstrations. His personal experience with injustice and a solid background in cultural diversity made him the ideal candidate to help resolve issues on campus. He was asked to return as a volunteer to help improve student and administration relations.

"We had a sit-in in the '60s, and I was invited back to cool out things," he said. "At that time I was part of an advisory group for the school who would be called to help out, talk with students, and to be mentors. It was a very chilly environment. You had a lot of people experiencing disrespect. So, in the early 70s, there was an active contingent trying to bring about change."

Combining an understanding of the students with his own personal experience

of attending Kutztown at a time when there were only five other black students on the entire campus, gives Westmoreland an insight into the difficulties of weaving the many diverse cultures into one unified Kutztown experience.

There were some missteps at first. But now, Westmoreland feels the fabric of the university is getting stronger every year.

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Today's cultural landscape of Kutztown University has grown dramatically. Expecting only a three percent growth rate during the 1990s, the university has since experienced an unprecedented six percent growth rate increasing the enrollment from around 6,000 to now more than 9,000 students.

"A lot of it is population change," said Westmoreland. "You can't stem the tide of social change. There is an increase in the [Spanish-speaking] population, and the middle class [of Americans with African ancestry] is moving more and more into the suburbs."

The quilt of human diversity has spread itself over the campus to such an

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SAM WESTMORELAND '66 B.S.
EDUCATION



PHOTO BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

extent that no one is untouched, says Westmoreland.

"I think KU does an excellent job of educating their students. And the image they are working to project is that of reaching out."

THE UNIQUELY AMERICAN EXPERIENCE

Bill Yurvati '82 B.A. Psychology, is an American through and through. Like most Americans, his ancestry was

formed out of the various nationalities settling this nation. So where does one begin to define cultural identity when a country is built by immigration.

Yurvati's father is Slovakian and Hungarian and his mother was born in Puerto Rico. Because his last name is European, the problem for Yurvati was trying to convince everyone he is one of the growing number of students who are of two distinct cultural backgrounds.

"I have my father's surname, so naturally, everyone assumed I was non-Hispanic. Since I do not 'look like a Puerto Rican,' many thought I was not. Of course, my case proves that you

cannot judge people by their appearance alone."

To help smooth the transition into college life, the university paired Yurvati with a senior classmate who was also Puerto Rican to act as a mentor.

"So I had a fellow student who could answer questions about the campus and could direct me to the appropriate office if I had any problems with registration, billing, advisement or academic support.

"There were so few Latino students on campus at the time, and since as a commuting student, my time on campus was limited, I did not meet many other Latino students."

After settling in, Yurvati found there was a real need for Puerto Rico to be recognized as both a distinct cultural identity and a solid part of the American mosaic.

"Many people did not, nor do they now, understand that Puerto Ricans are of mixed races. Self-identification as a Puerto Rican refers to a cultural or ethnic identity rather than racial. It was also a challenge to inform people that Puerto Ricans are United States citizens and not foreigners," he said.

Now a librarian at East Stroudsburg University, Yurvati said the university's mentoring program made a tremendous difference in this life and feels it is time to create that same kind of support within the community.

"I believe that the mentoring program should be expanded to alumni who could be role models for success through higher education, or act as mentors for various professions, and even assist students interested in graduate study."

THE BEGINNINGS OF A TRADITION

Bessie Crenshaw '50 B.S. Education, attended classes at Kutztown during a time of great changes. When she started in 1946, soldiers returning home from World War II were able to attend college on the GI bill, many becoming the first college graduates in their family. The nearby cities of Reading and Allentown, Pa., were bustling with activity within a rich multi-cultural tapestry.

But institutions of higher learning remained largely undiversified.

"I graduated from Reading High School in 1946 and enrolled that same year at Kutztown State Teachers' College. When I started, there were no other black students. I guess I was sort of surprised.

I had gone to [high] school with a large variety of ethnic groups. There were about 600 in my graduating class including about 12 or more black students. And the street on which I lived, there was also a Greek family, Polish and German families – a real cultural mix."

Times were tough for Crenshaw, but she always had a dream of becoming a teacher. Her mother was a widow and had to work hard to support the family, and she knew the importance of a good education. On the weekends the family would visit the library, museum and city park as part of their childhood education.

Crenshaw loved it, and loved learning. "We didn't have money, but my mother always said you can do the things you want if you just have a dream, a desire, and a vision."

Still that dream might easily have been stifled if it were not for the support of the community. To help fund her studies at Kutztown, Crenshaw was the proud recipient of the J.F. Goodwin Scholarship which was started in 1936 by a young black physician in the region who saw the need to help African-American students realize their potential.

In the summer, Crenshaw worked at a variety of jobs from child nurse for wealthy families, to assisting at the city hospital, and seasonal work at the seashore in New Jersey. But when she returned in the fall, the grind of school and work set in again, plus it didn't help that she was the only black student on campus.

"There was certainly room for more communication. You sort of felt a little bit of isolated at times and lonely."

To get back and forth to classes, Crenshaw rode the bus and accepted rides from other commuting students including some of the World War II veterans. It was during these brief breaks from the routine that she found her greatest friendships.

"It was a challenge getting to school, attending classes and then leaving almost immediately to go work. But I still found the time to play intramural athletics, sing in the choir, participate in youth leadership and work as a secretary for the commuting women's league."

Through it all, her family and community remained the twin pillars of strength and support, and she became the first African American to graduate from Kutztown.

Now, after a lifetime spent as an elementary school teacher, first in North

BESSIE CRENSHAW '50 B.S. EDUCATION



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Carolina for 16 years, and then back home in Reading for 20 years, Crenshaw says she couldn't have imagined doing anything else with her life.

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Today Crenshaw continues that tradition of helping others realize their dreams through the "Help One Another"

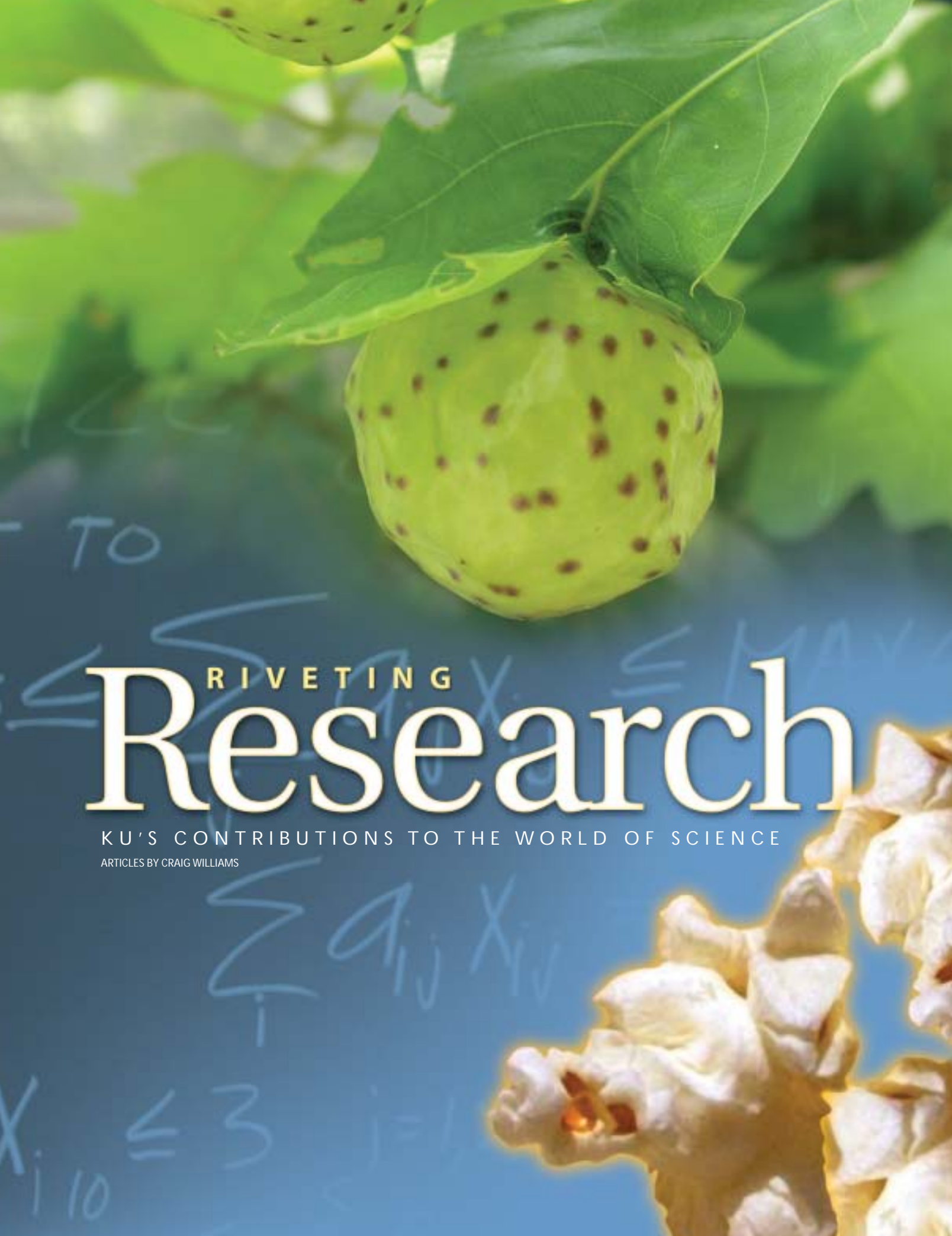
organization in Reading. Founded in 1950, the program raises money to buy books for school children, and provides money for college scholarships and textbooks through the "Youth of Yesterday" program.

Through her community service work, Crenshaw closes the circle of support for those less fortunate financially but rich in dreams of a higher education and a better life.

"So you pass it on," she said. "And with four years on the KU alumni association board, I now feel I've come full circle."

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RIVETING Research

KU'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE WORLD OF SCIENCE

ARTICLES BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

Big and Better Popcorn out of KU Labs



PHOTO BY HOLLY KOKSTEIN '05

This homemade device allows Paul Quinn, assistant professor of physical sciences, to create enormous pieces of popcorn. He has found that by cooking the kernels in a vacuum some surprising structures result. The popcorn tastes the same – delicious!

He may not be as famous as Orville Redenbacher, but Dr. Paul V. Quinn, assistant professor of physical sciences, is becoming known as a man who can blow away the competition when it comes to popping.

Featured in Discovery Magazine in May, Quinn has developed a cooker that vacuums away surrounding air allowing a popcorn kernel to really blow its cover when the heat is on.

Current popcorn theory states delicious fluffy flakes are formed by super heating the small amount of water inside the kernel. The resultant pressurized steam liquifies the starchy center. When the shell finally breaks open, the liquid starch explodes and

instantly solidifies into a crunchy snack. Quinn's invention simply sucks away any obstructing air molecules allowing the starch to explode into new and larger formations.

Because popcorn is one of the few agricultural products bought at wholesale on weight and sold at retail on volume, movie theatres across the country stand to gain if Quinn's invention goes to market. For the home poppers, this researcher is currently at work on a similar device for microwave ovens.

Quinn's current field of study really isn't popcorn. At Kutztown University he studies the properties of granular materials such as sand. His studies with popcorn started as a graduate student

when his advisor theorized that the rapid expansion of gas inside the kernel was similar to a balloon popping. Quinn and another graduate student were put to work on the proof. But both students graduated before completing the popcorn research project.

When Quinn learned his advisor and mentor had died unexpectedly, he decided to honor his memory and finish the experiment. The resulting explosion from the Quinn pressureless popcorn cooker can create almost twice the volume of flake. As an added bonus, there are fewer "old maids" or uncooked kernels.

The funny thing is Quinn doesn't even like popcorn. "It gets stuck in your teeth," he says. But his student assistants aren't complaining – they get to eat up most of the research results.

Carol Mapes is Buggy over Galls

Carol Mapes, professor of biology, is buggy about plant galls, abnormal growths on trees and other plants, that at times can resemble small apples where no apples should be or even tiny grapes growing on a leaf. She knows these are usually just homes to a large variety of insects and mites that attack



PHOTO BY CAROL MAPES

A round bullet gall is caused by a cynipid wasp on white oak.

the plant to cause a gall to grow, which in turn serves as a source of food and a home for a growing larva.

The color and variety of the plants' reaction to this attack by what is in essence a parasite, is so striking that Mapes has decided to produce a first-ever field guide to common plant galls of the northeastern United States.



Carol Mapes, professor of biological sciences, holds an oak gall caused by a cynipid wasp on the red oak tree. The wasp uses the structure as a home for part of its lifecycle. Mapes is currently writing a book on the many variations of galls formed on plants in the northeastern part of the nation.

“Some insects will stay in their gall home for several years,” she said of the lifecycle. And yes, if you open up one of the larger galls, you may find a larva wriggling around inside, a trick many hungry birds have already learned.

Though there are other causes for the galls, including bacteria and fungi, the majority are created by insects or mites, which usually don't do a great deal of damage to the plant. Many insects depend on the plant to react to complete their life cycle.

Each gall is unique in size, shape and color, and is caused by one species of insect or mite, making identification easy for some of the common and well-studied galls. But there are still many plant tumors in the northeastern United States that have yet to be named.



The maple eye spot gall is the result of activity by a small fly known as a midge on red maple.

“There are very few galls on crops of economic importance,” Mapes said. “And a lot of the galls will fall off during the growing season.”

What makes this subject so interesting to biologists is the thousands of years of interaction between the parasite and host plant – a symbiotic relationship growing right in our own back yards.

“Galls are the evidence and result of co-evolution between the gall makers and plant, and a necessary part of many insects' lifecycles,” she said. “I have been studying insect galls for more than 20 years and have never stopped being fascinated by them. I am intrigued by how insects and mites are able to induce the plants to make such complex and unique structures that are often unlike the structures one would normally find on particular plants.”

Math Comes to the Rescue of Everyday Problems

By mixing a little bit of common sense and information readily available in a beaker of algorithms and computer models, Dr. Francis J. Vasko, professor of math and computer science, can extract the essence of almost any problem.

Recently, he was asked to apply this methodology to the problem of eliminating waste when cutting pattern parts out of a flat piece of raw material like paper, sheet metal or glass. You simply can not lay down all the templates and guess, said Vasko.

“You would think there was a simple solution, but there are just a tremendous number of combinations. If you enumerated them all, it would take years and years for even the fastest computer to solve.”

So Vasko looks at the variations, labels them and goes to work. He doesn't hesitate to create new formulas to take the mystery out of everyday problems. Often, the final solution is elegant in design.

Take, for example, the case of the disgruntled Little League Baseball parents.

Vasko's problem was to find a way to give all the kids on the team a chance to play for an equal amount of time over the summer Little League season in order to settle a contention that the



As an applied mathematician, Dr. Fran Vasko, professor of math and computer science, just loves to solve everyday problems using mathematical formulas like the one pictured. Such calculations are just part of an original equation Vasko created to make sure every little league player gets the same time in the game as the next child while taking maximum advantage of each player's individual strengths. The Vasko solution also helped to resolve the parent-to-coach coefficient of peace and harmony.

most-talented kids were hogging all the game time.

A complex calculation was needed which would consider a team with 12 players, 17 games a season, numerous positions ranging from catcher, to pitcher and extra hitter – and then factor in each child's strengths and weaknesses.

The solution was not as simple as creating a fielding chart. Even positions like extra hitter could provide valuable game time. But once all the variations were accounted for and properly weighted, Vasko's formula would provide a balanced and individualized play schedule.

For example, one little leaguer would play five half-games as pitcher [2.5 games], six halves at second base and come on board 17 times as an extra hitter. Of course, a gifted pitcher could play 28 half-games just on the mound.

Vasko said he finds applied mathematics will come to the rescue of many of life's conundrums. Even a good barroom argument or Sunday newspaper brain teaser is just raw material for another Vasko formula.

In fact, this mathematician says he can't stop thinking about solutions, even on his days off. “I'm problem oriented,” he said. “Someone comes to me with a problem, and I will try to solve it.”

deans' corner

INTRODUCTION BY WILLIAM SUTTON, VICE PRESIDENT OF UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY IS EXPERIENCING **unprecedented enrollment and growth, more than twice as fast as projected.** This spring we graduated approximately 1,000 students,

and KU enrollment is approaching 10,000.

To meet the needs of our student and alumni population, the university and KU Foundation are introducing a college-based initiative. Through this program, a series of articles related to each undergraduate college will be highlighted in upcoming issues

Not only do we hope to rekindle fond memories of attending the university, but we want to provide opportunities to reconnect with other alumni in your major field of study.

From the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, to the College of Visual and Performing Arts, or the College of Business, and of course the College of Education, we hope alumni will find it beneficial and just plain fun to see what is going on in each area.

When new funding opportunities arise, we believe identifying with the college will help our alumni feel they are a part of the process of designating financial, advisory and mentoring resources for each particular project.

Nationally, many students are finding it is taking more than four years to complete a degree. Sometimes work and family commitments intercede, or a call to military duty delays graduation. Through it all, an attachment to one's major field of study has been found to be the deciding factor when building bonds that last a lifetime.

This new initiative will be directed toward identifying and building upon these constituent relationships.

For this first issue, we will reintroduce each college and its dean. In upcoming issues we will highlight what is special and what is new on campus. With the continuing facilities improvements in the coming years, joined by the growth and enlargement of the academic programs, we believe you will find that KU continues to be the dynamic learning environment you remembered during your cherished years on campus.

Some of the old remains, but there is also much of the new to be proud of as well!



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College of Education • Dr. Regis G. Bernhardt

The mission of the College of Education continues to be the preparation of highly qualified school personnel with strong academic and pedagogical foundations. We offer a broad range of comprehensive bachelors and masters degree programs in elementary education, secondary education, special education, and library science and instructional technology. We continue to collaborate with other academic units in the preparation of professionals through the arts and sciences core and academic majors, and through degree programs in art education, music education, school counseling, and school nursing.

“The Teacher As Lifelong Learner” is the conceptual framework upon which our academic programs is based. We intend that our programs of study provide graduates with the knowledge, skills and dispositions they will need as beginning professionals and as they integrate

new knowledge gained from research, experience and reflection.

This spring, a Board of Examiners team from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, along with a team from the Pennsylvania Department of Education, will conduct an on-site review of our programs. The key question the teams will address is: “Do the KU students and graduates know, and are they able to do, the things required of highly qualified professionals?”

As dean of the college, I am confident that we will do very well in the review process. The data we maintain provide ample evidence of the quality of our students, graduates, programs, and faculty. I am eager to share these data with our visitors, and it is my goal to disseminate our data based success stories to a broad audience.

I joined KU last July, after spending more than 30 years at Fordham University in New York City. Most of my time there was spent in the Graduate School of Education where I was dean for 11 years. I grew up in Lancaster, graduated from Millersville University, and taught in the Lancaster Public School before going to graduate school at Syracuse University. Last spring I seized the opportunity to come to KU because of the quality of the College of Education. I am proud to be here, and I look forward to our continued development as an outstanding professional school.



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College of Liberal Arts and Sciences • Dr. Edward L. Simpson, Interim Dean

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences houses departments that form the foundation of a classical liberal arts education.

Anthropology, biology, English, geography, history, mathematics, and philosophy join psychology, political science, sociology, and social work within the framework of the college.

The department of physical science also makes its home within the college and includes studies in biochemistry chemistry, geology, physics and more. And the school of Modern Language Studies offers degrees in French, German studies and Spanish.

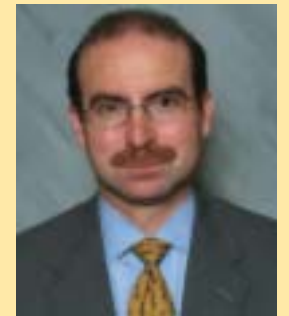
The college is a very dynamic mix of the humanities and science, and is home to programs in electronic media, environmental science, criminal justice as well as computer and information science, marine science, nursing and professional writing.

The mission of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is to prepare students to function in an increasingly complex world while maintaining a firm understanding of the past.

As the interim dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, I enjoy a close relationship with the university and students, which is part of the university’s tradition of providing direct access to our highly qualified teachers and instructors.

This fall, Dr. Bashar W. Hanna will begin as the new dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Prior to joining Kutztown, Hanna was the Founding Dean of Academic Affairs for DeVry University in Pennsylvania and served as the chief academic officer for the university’s four in-state sites.

“I look forward to working with President Cevallos, Provost Rinker, the faculty, staff and students. And as a Lehigh Valley native, my family and I are excited to return home and become a part of this great university that is on the move,” Hanna said.



Dr. Bashar W. Hanna



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College of Business • Dr. Eileen Hogan

The College of Business offers professional development in the fields of study that drive commerce today: accounting, finance, international business, management, and marketing, with minors in economics and advertising. Currently, the college is developing career and industry-specific programs of study that include logistics and supply chain management, certified financial planning, attractions management, entrepreneurship and small business management, and marketing communications.

At the core of the College of Business is an expectation our students will be challenged in their critical thinking skills while perfecting their communication skills. Beyond the classic quantitative skills, the college provides a strong focus on recognizing and enhancing the qualitative talents necessary to lead organizations in the 21st century.

Our mission is to help our students make the transition from student life to productive, promising careers. In the classroom, our professors heavily emphasize real-world application of business skills and knowledge. Internships arranged by the college introduce students to the world of business and help prepare them for the competitive atmosphere they will meet in today’s market realities. The opportunity to experience the fast-paced business climate of both the Lehigh Valley and Reading area gives KU College of Business students the edge necessary to succeed.

I came to KU in 1996 with bachelors, masters and doctoral degrees from the University of California at Berkley and have taught at the University of Virginia, George Mason University and Valdosta State University. My position as dean in the College of Business affords me the opportunity to make a real difference in students’ lives as they mature and move into the professional world.



PHOTO BY CRAIG WILLIAMS

College of Visual and Performing Arts • Dr. William Mowder

As the global age of communications technology continues to expand, graduates from the College of Visual and Performing Arts are finding the world is demanding their skills and talents be used to solve the problems of today.

For example, the college boasts one of the finest communication design programs anywhere. Coupled with a superb fine arts program and a vibrant crafts program, graduates are finding careers in graphic and fine arts, printing, publishing and more.

The art education and crafts program along side the music program supply school districts throughout the nation with highly qualified teachers. The music performance program produces highly skilled musicians who go on to careers in the music field. And graduates from the speech and theatre program offer the best in raw talent and instructional leadership to

learning institutions, business and industry.

The mission of the college is practical: to fine tune the talents and skills of our students while developing their critical thinking/problem-solving skills and historical world perspective. Overall, the college is dedicated to developing each student’s individual voice and graduating mature talents whose most desirable quality is their ability to apply creativity in a practical and resourceful manner.

Before coming to Kutztown in 2000, I served as the associate dean for Academic Affairs at the Tisch School of the College of Arts and Sciences at New York University. I truly believe my position as dean is one of the best jobs at the university. You get to interact with students and faculty very closely, and have an impact on the programs and the future of the school.



Class of 1935: President Cevallos with Mariann Brennan



Class of 1940: (Row 1, left to right) Fern Houck Carabello, Esther Lieberman, Leah Oswald Smith, Jo Kercher Hinkler. (Row 2) President Cevallos, Theodore Guth, Benjamin Liddle.



Class of 1945: (Row 1, left to right) Marjorie Richter, Marian Wilfinger, Irene Heiland. (Row 2) Pauline Achey, Ruth Jean Stitzer, President Cevallos, Bonne F. Ritter, Erma S. Angstadt



Members of the Class of 1945, along with President Cevallos and Josee Vachon Cevallos, gather at the president's home to dedicate a sundial.



Class of 1950: (Row 1, left to right) Eleanor Scouris Mickley, Jean Payne Deimler, Elizabeth Crosland Rasbridge, Isabel Clauser Field, Mildred Hiller Snyder, Ardath Harter Rodale, Jane Bahr Reshke, Margaret Scott. (Row 2) Lillian Huseman Manfred, Ruth Grabner, Janet Schrodinger Mertz, Marian Schaffer Snyder, Mary Kelly Creadick, Barbara Dion McGlade, Dorothy Dammrich Green, Germaine Lord Maiorana, Bessie Reese Crenshaw, Verna Mohl Laird. (Row 3) Harold Block, Terrence Gallagher, Jim Longstreet, Russel Wisser.



Class of 1955: (Row 1, left to right) Rose Stacherski, Peggy Nein Hart, Barbara Schlegel McCumber, Audrey Wolfinger, Carole Koons Williams. (Row 2) Maryann Koch Hoffman, Bob Wolff, Kermit Blank, Joseph Peter, Bill Wolf, Tom Suharik, President Cevallos.



Class of 1960: (Row 1, left to right) Carol Tomlinson Ettenger, Nancy Shiffer Erdman, Mary Gerhart Smith, Miriam Loose Schearer, Marlene Steffy, President Cevallos. (Row 2) Ed Erdman, Gene Kershner, Beverly Knoebel, Ruthann Ely, Ronald Horvath. (Row 3) Mike DelPozzo, Dave Overdorf, Barbara Detwiler Reichert, Ron Glass. (Row 4) Ray Ely, Bill Grausgruber, Robert Osman.



Alumni Awards Luncheon: (Row 1, left to right) Susan Allport-Schneider '61, daughter of Richard C. Zilmer '74, father of Christopher H. Tienken '94, Brandi Woodard '92, Jeanne Maier '91. (Row 2) President Cevallos, Michael Pladus '80, Matthew J. Braccli '90, Jeffery Becker '90, Raymond Melcher, Jr. '73, David Afsah-Mohallatee '88.



Class of 1965: (Row 1, left to right) Patricia A.H. Levy, Beth Holliday Lewis, Susan Ebner Campbell, Caroline Deisher Anderson, Dorothy Gruber Kerschner, Rosalie Perrone. (Row 2) President Cevallos, Ken Wilde, Lenore Carlier Kohl, Susan Strawn Doerfler, Peggy Lou Deily, Nancee Guard Ryan, Bob Regan, Sandy Boldt Post, Bonnie Janis Hannahoe.



Class of 1970: (Row 1, left to right) Cathy Russ Mordosky, Frances Larash, Betty Leshner, Debby Everett, Marianne Turner. (Row 2) President Cevallos, Ronald Mordosky, Ronald Shuey, Karen Frankenfield, Eileen McCarroll, Betty Tetzlaff, Katherine Heller.



Class of 1975: (Row 1, left to right) William Bachman, Tom Frantz, Doug Hoch. (Row 2) Chris Knorr, Peggy Stover Gumpert, President Cevallos, Cindy Bortz Nowe, Gary Capwell.

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the sporting life

KU Rugby: A Rough and Tumble Brotherhood

BY JHARNA A. NANSI '07

For the past 20 years, members of the Kutztown University rugby team have been meeting on the field to do battle in this rough and tumble sport.

The usual thrice weekly hard-nosed practice is followed by a Saturday game. Rugby came to Kutztown University in 1984 when Andy Lewis '88 started the first club. As more students signed up, Lewis kept the momentum going.

In 1986, Lewis received a big boost from Gregg Jones, a former rugby player, and now a chiropractor in the Lehigh Valley. To Lewis' surprise, Jones commonly known as "Doc Jones," not only helped, but became so enthused about the KU team that he volunteered to be its coach.

From the beginning, rugby's popular attraction is the team spirit, both on and off the field. As the sport's popularity grew on campus, the club became a second family to many of its players.

It's a "band of brothers" comprising the graduates and current players, Jones said.

And many alumni continue to share that bond. This spring, former members of the team came to campus for an alumni-student match (pictured below). In addition to enjoying an occasional tumble on the playing field, rugby alumni support the club through funding.

The routine practice of a rugby player has not changed in years. Even today, the players say practice can be tougher than the Saturday matches. And Jones has been known to push players to go the extra mile.

KU rugby has maintained a strong tradition of winning throughout the years. In the last two decades, they have won 380 games and lost only 60 at the Division 1 level.

The secret to the team's ongoing success is its never-die attitude, said Jones.

"Rugby players are a family, because of the strictness and the common bond they share. On the team, everyone has paid their price and dues, and they stick together, even after graduating," Jones said. "Since KU rugby is a club organization run by the students, they have to work together on and off the field.

And on the field, they run the show by themselves for 80 minutes and make me proud."

KU rugby has turned in dazzling performances since its inception. The club has been to Wales



Past and present rugby team members mix it up on the field during a recent reunion match.



on a European tour, was in the Sweet 16 championships in 1995, and played in the Final League. In 1996, the team defeated 12-time National League participant The Naval Academy.

Though it can be said that everything changes with time, KU rugby has held onto its fundamental appeal and continues to remain popular today attracting new players every year.

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New Athletics Director Energizes Program

BY JOSH LEIBOFF '98, SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Greg Bamberger hit the ground running when he stepped into the role of Kutztown University's director of intercollegiate athletics on May 1, 2005.

Bamberger arrived at the school in the midst of one of the Golden Bears' most successful sports seasons. He spent much of his first few weeks at KU traveling around the region to support the teams in post-season competitions. With those travels came the benefit of getting to know the coaches and athletes while also meeting alumni and supporters.

"In my short time at KU, I've had the opportunity to meet a number of people, including a good number of athletics alumni and supporters," Bamberger said. "I can tell that we have very strong support from our alumni, and I hope it continues to grow. That support, whether it's financial or a simple positive word

about what we're trying to accomplish, is the backbone of what we do."

Despite success on the playing fields greeting Bamberger, it was the academic accomplishments that really stood out.

"I am especially pleased with the academic success our student-athletes have achieved. Just this spring, student-athletes qualified for the dean's list and PSAC (Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference) scholar-athlete status in record numbers, and achieved a best-ever 2.91 cumulative grade-point average – which is higher than the campus average."

Bamberger was selected after a national search and is taking over the role from KU athletic trainer Jack Enriken who has served on an interim basis since 2004.

He comes to Kutztown from Glenville State College in West Virginia, where he served as

director of athletics beginning in January 2002. Prior to that, Bamberger was an assistant football coach and lecturer at Glenville for three semesters. He previously served as assistant football coach at the Virginia Military Institute and Southeast Missouri State.

Born in Abington, Pa., Bamberger graduated from Phoenixville High School. He went to Duke University, where he was a three-year starter in football, graduating in 1982 with a degree in management sciences. He went on to earn a master's degree in sports administration from Temple.

The experience and enthusiasm Bamberger brings to Kutztown, he hopes, will help to continue the success the athletic department has had, both athletically and academically.

"I hope we can continue to produce an athletics program that makes our university and alumni proud," Bamberger said. "Our goals are to put a competitive product on the field; graduate a high rate of students; represent Kutztown in a positive fashion within the rules of the NCAA, PSAC and KU; teach student-athletes good values; enhance their educational experience and produce positive contributors to society. We want our student-athletes to look back on their experience at Kutztown as a key catalyst to their success."

Spring Sports Wrap Up

BY GEOFF GOYNE '05

A strong spring capped off a very successful season for the Kutztown University athletics department. The women's outdoor track & field team, baseball and men's tennis squads each won Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championships, with the men's and women's tennis teams claiming regional crowns.

The baseball team won a school record 39 games, and entered the PSAC Championships as the third seed from the Eastern Division in the six-team field. KU then rattled off four straight victories to claim the conference championship.

The clinching win gave head coach Chris Blum 100 career victories in just his third season. Pitcher Kyle Sadlowski was selected by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 34th round of the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft.

The men's tennis team set a new record for wins with a 20-2 season overall, completed its PSAC slate of matches a perfect 5-0, and won



UNDER THE tower



Senior catcher Clay Kuklick, PSAC tournament MVP, led KU to the 2005 PSAC Baseball Championship.

its fifth PSAC Championship in six years.

From there, the Golden Bears hosted a National Collegiate Athletic Association regional championship, winning its fourth straight regional crown. The men advanced to the NCAA national championship in Florida where they tied for ninth.

The women's track and field team completed its first indoor/outdoor sweep of the conference championships and won the team title at the PSAC Outdoor Championships. In addition, three individuals and one relay team won PSAC crowns.

Women's tennis finished 14-3 on the year and advanced to the PSAC Championship match. Due to inclement weather, the match against Bloomsburg could not be completed, and KU fell short according to conference rules to finish second.

The Golden Bears hosted and won an NCAA regional, both firsts for the women's tennis



Senior Kerstin Kloeffler, women's tennis, led KU to the NCAA East Region title.



PHOTO BY JOSH LIEBOFF

University Field: with the new recreation center under construction in the background.

program. KU went on to the NCAA national championship and tied for ninth to complete a rapid two-year turnaround after winning just four times in 2002-03.

Stadium Gets Upgrades

This summer, major renovations were made to University Field, the home of the Golden Bear football, track & field teams and new home of the field hockey team.

In May, the natural grass field was replaced with new state-of-the-art, synthetic turf which will accommodate football and field hockey. In addition, the track surrounding the field has been resurfaced and new lighting is scheduled to be installed.

The stadium will continue to be the home for the football and outdoor track & field teams. For the Golden Bear field hockey team, the project means a move from its old home behind Keystone Field House to the 5,600-seat University Field.

It also means a dramatic change in the style of play for field hockey home games.

"I am very excited for our field hockey players," said Betty Wesner, KU's head field

hockey coach. "We will have a much more spectator-friendly venue. Our sport is so dependant upon having a consistent field, more so than most other sports."

The new lighting is not scheduled to be activated until the 2006 completion of the student recreation center now under construction behind the stadium.

Rec Center Update

Backhoes, cement mixers, and dump trucks roll in and out of the former practice field just behind University Field as construction on the new \$13.8 million recreation center continues. Designed to address the growing trend by students toward personal physical fitness, the new two-story center is slated to open in the fall of 2006.

The center will provide additional space for weight training and aerobic conditioning equipment, new racquetball courts, an indoor track, and a two-story climbing wall which will add a little zest to any workout.



Left to right: Richard Zera, vice president for information technology; James Sutherland, vice president of finance and administration; Margaret (Peg) Devlin, dean of the library; Edward Simpson, acting dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences; Guido Pichini, trustee; Linda Rinker, provost; Ramona Turpin, chair, Council of Trustees; Javier Cevallos, president; Roger Schmidt, trustee; John Wabby, trustee; Diane Lutz, trustee; and David Jones, trustee.

KU breaks ground on Academic Forum

The university has broken ground on the Academic Forum next to the Rohrbach Library and the Boehm Science Center.

The \$20-million project calls for a two-story structure which will house a 200-seat classroom, three 175-seat classrooms, and three 85-seat classrooms. The interior will be highlighted by a large glass front and commons area complete with dining tables, a coffee shop, and adjacent kitchen.

The new building will be used by all colleges and is slated to open during the 2007 spring semester.



BY DAVID RUSSELL '80

Recording History through Art

U.S. Army National Guard Lt. Colonel David Russell '80 B.F.A. is an unusual combination of soldier and artist. This spring, Russell packed up his pencils and paint brushes on a volunteer 45-day assignment into Iraq and brought back enough images for a show and national tour. Eventually the 30 works of art will become part of the National Guard Bureau collection.

"I didn't see that anyone was keeping a record of the lives of our National Guard soldiers as transcribed by a visual artist," said Russell of his decision to go.

Russell's Iraq series depicts service men and women at work, on patrol in the desert, and behind the wheel of the ever-present humvee. Those images are blended with pictures of Bedouin tribesmen, Guardsmen giving guitar lessons and desert life.

"I saw an incredible variety of unit backgrounds, missions being accomplished, struggles, camaraderie, sadness, and joy," he said. "My primary subject was the human side; so much of the work is figurative."

Displaying a love for drawing from an early age, Russell entered Kutztown with the idea he would become an artist. But upon graduation, a call to adventure led him to join the Marines and sign up for flight school in Pensacola, Fla.

Within months his sketch pad was filled with images of Naval Aviation and the life of service personnel. His talent soon drew the attention of his comrades, and from 1982 to 1988 he worked with the Marine Corps History and Museums department producing images of the Marine Corps flying community.



Cevallos elected chair of ACE Fellows program

Dr. F. Javier Cevallos, university president, has been named the chairman of the American Council on Education's Council of Fellows Executive Committee. ACE is devoted to assisting and training educators and educational administrators, and is the major coordinating body for all the nation's institutions of higher education. As committee chair, Cevallos appeared in the ACE "Fellows" spring newsletter writing the cover article "And Now, What?" In it, Cevallos discusses the value of mentoring programs and the council's positive influence on educators throughout the nation.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PHILADELPHIA 76ERS

KU Dance Team big hit with 76ers

The KU Dance Team performed at two Philadelphia 76ers basketball games as pre-game and half-time entertainment this year. The dance team is a regular part of half-time activities for the KU men's basketball games and performs hip-hop and jazz dance routines to the delight of the crowds. Original choreography created by the dance team was so well received by the 76ers during a pre-game appearance earlier this year, the dancers were asked to return to Wachovia Arena to be the featured half-time attraction in April.



Left to right: Dr. F. Javier Cevallos, his wife Josee Vachon Cevallos, Gwen Ifill, George Tenet, Thomas H. Kean.

PHOTOS BY JEFF UNGER

Quote at KU's Spring Decision Makers Forum Heard Round the World

Former CIA Chief George Tenet joined Thomas H. Kean, head of the 9/11 Commission, and PBS Television moderator Gwen Ifill for a lively discussion this spring during Kutztown University's annual Decision Makers Forum.

The program brings noted public figures to campus to answer questions from both the students and public and provides a rare opportunity to meet today's power brokers face-to-face.

This year George Tenet shocked the nation by admitting that the need to go to war with Iraq was far from a sure thing. Still confident the administration made the right decision, he stopped short of any political finger pointing.

"We didn't do it for political reasons or a craven desire to lead the country to war," he said.

Tenet, who served as the director of the Central Intelligence Agency from 1997 to 2004, said he should have never characterized the decision to invade Iraq as a "slam dunk."

And unfolding events have shown there is no evidence of the nuclear, biological or chemical weapons that Tenet and the agency used to predicate the invasion.

"Those were the two dumbest words I ever said," he told a packed house. "We didn't get the job done, and we understood it before any commission report," Tenet said of the agency's failure to collect solid background and intelligence on Iraq.

As if to drive the point home, Kean's commission, which filed a report in July 2004 with Congress, confirmed the failure of the U.S. intelligence community during that tumultuous time.

"We didn't want to point fingers at any one individual, and we couldn't," Kean said. "There was a failure across the entire spectrum."

The next Decision Makers Forum will feature Gen. Colin Powell (U.S. Army Ret.), former U.S. Secretary of State, beginning 8 p.m., March 30, 2006 in the Keystone Arena.

class notes

1940s

Class of 1949

Paul Wilson, Jr.'s second volume in his trilogy was published in April 2005. "The War Years 1944-1946" tells of the exploits of Paul A. Wilson, Sr. in the Army Air Force during WWII.

1950s

Class of 1950

Harold Block, who retired in 1990, has four children and 12 grandchildren.

Class of 1953

George H. Landes has been volunteering with Virginia's State Police Division Headquarters in Wytheville for the past five years. In 1989 Landes retired from teaching high school in Wicomico County.

Due to a neuro-muscular problem, **Joseph Villiano** retired after 32 years of teaching language, history, and coaching tennis. After 50 years of competing, Villiano stopped playing in tennis tournaments. He looks forward to attending KU events and meeting fellow alumni, football and tennis players.

Class of 1957

Cora (Bisler) Von Colln spends summers in St. Lawrence, N.Y., often accompanied by grandchildren who are eager to visit her.

Jack Eagle's artwork was displayed at Teddy's Art Gallery in Allentown, Pa., from April through June.

Anne (Rogers) Colter is living an active retirement in Wilmington, N.C., where she is only five miles from the beach. Colter has six grandchildren and likes to travel, attend church functions and book clubs.

Class of 1959

Vasileki (Chianos) Birrell occasionally works for the Jersey City Board of Education, mentoring new art specialists and therapists seeking state certification. As a book artist, Birrell is busy creating and altering books as well as participating in group shows.

Francis "Chup" and Barbara ("Spange" Spangenberg) Chupick own and operate a successful retail business called "Your Not in Kansas Anymore," after retiring from 35 years of teaching. Their Chester, N.J. store sells jewelry, handbags, and gifts.

Carmela (Elsley) Torrisi's new line of cards is carried at a local gallery. Torrisi volunteers with a local charity raising money to support homeless shelters. She also loves to travel and just got back from Spain and Morocco.

Robert Leight resigned from Quakertown Community School District's board after 25 years of service, including six years as president and seven as vice president. The January 11 Morning Call feature "A Lifetime in Learning," described how his leadership and educational insight will be missed. Leight and his wife **Mary (Meier) '57** continue to operate the Richland

Township nursery school and research one-room school houses.

During the past year, **Margaret (Vargo) Kanischak** has enjoyed cruises and snorkeling in the Bahamas and western Caribbean. Kanischak is maintaining flexibility, after knee replacements, by attending aquatic classes.

1960s

Class of 1961

This year, **Margaret (Fox) Ferraro** announced her candidacy for Northampton County Executive.

Class of 1962

After graduating, **Jerome "Jerry" Gottschalk** spent two years as a civilian crafts instructor for the U.S. Army and then taught high school art in Bloomsburg, Pa., for one year. For the past 35 years, he has been a production manager for Point of Purchase Display in California.

May (Richard) Williams and her husband are enjoying retirement by spending time with their grandchildren, traveling, biking, reading, and gardening.

Sandi (Robinson) Karlson retired in June 2003 after teaching and supervising art classes for 32 years. Karlson is now a travel consultant meeting new people through taking photos for the business.

William "Bill" Wiggins is a retired school teacher living in Wilmington, Del. He would like to hear from fellow KSC alumni.

Class of 1963

Terry Oswald is a boat skipper for Ozzieworldau in Australia. In June, Oswald began a three-month long 4WD tour from Cape York in Northern Queensland Australia.

Class of 1964

Lawrence Schroth, Jr., had four digital prints included in the Arts in Embassies program. The slides were displayed at the U.S. Embassy in Luanda, Angola.

Sheldon Strober has lived in Philadelphia for two years, where he is involved with artistic and cultural institutions such as the Philadelphia Sketch Club.

Class of 1965

After over 28 years as a librarian, **Gayle (Donahower) Kendig** retired from the Rochester City School District in 2001.

In October 2003, **Marlene (Gillespie) Piper** retired after 15 years as the art materials buyer for the KU Student Bookstore.

Robert "Bob" Regan and his wife, Ann, are building a new home to be completed in 2006 on Lake Adger in western North Carolina. Regan remains in touch with KU football teammates through visits to his home. He hopes to reconnect with others at Homecoming in October.

Class of 1966

Joseph Foster is going on his fourth mission trip to El Progreso, Honduras,

where he and a team of Maryland UCC church members will build a concrete block house.

In 1998, **Joan (Weaver) Young** founded the Platelet Disorder Support Association in Maryland to assist people diagnosed with immune thrombocytopenic purpura and other platelet disorders.

Class of 1967

After 33 years of teaching, **Phil Leiben-sperger** retired from Arlington, Va., public schools. He is writing and producing virtual educational fieldtrip CDs for classroom use.

Neil Richvasky (&'76) moved to Arizona this year after retiring as school library development advisor for the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Class of 1968

Marsha (Miller) Souders retired from teaching high school art for Elizabethtown Area School District in June 2004. Souders joins her husband Richard, who already retired from teaching high school art.

Christine (Pukas) Zinno retired after 32 years of teaching; four years in Pennsylvania and 28 in New York.

For three years, **Nancy (Snyder) Vojtasek** and her husband have enjoyed touring the country in their RV.

Class of 1969

After 33 years, **David Becker** retired from his roles as a middle and high school librarian, reading teacher, and principal.

Trudie (Boccardo) Lear and her husband Robert have resided in the Pocono Mountains for more than 30 years. They adopted two retired racing greyhounds, Mimi and Trina, whom they love to pieces.

Joel Perlish taught elementary school for 20 years and was a full-time photographer for 15 years. Perlish has toured all 50 states on his bicycle and runs daily.

Jean Ellen (Snedeker) Matz taught high school and college-level English, worked as a public information writer in public relations, and was a full-time mom since the birth of her two children in 1984.

Charles Snyder, Jr. volunteers several days a week at Pearl S. Buck International and Historical Home. There Snyder leads book discussions and assists in educational programs for children and adults.

John Stoffa won the Democratic 2005 primary election for Northampton County Executive against the incumbent. He will run against the GOP nominee in the 2006 general election. Stoffa has 30 years of experience in county government, serving as human services director in both Northampton and Lehigh counties and as a member of the Northampton Area School Board.

Dennis Timmer has been working in the Souderton Area School District for 36 years, where he is currently the graduation project coordinator. He spent 33 years teaching Social Studies and 21 as a department head.

Charles G. Wilson's son is serving a one-year tour as a dentist in Iraq with the U.S. Army.

1970s

Class of 1970

Since graduating, **David Artz** spent three years active duty in the U.S. Army and then taught German, Russian, and Social Studies in New Jersey. Since retiring five-and-a-half-years ago, Artz has been working at a Wal-mart in Scottsdale, Ariz.

In June, **Christine (Bobek) Roth** retired from teaching after 35 years with the Hamburg Area School District. Roth taught English from 1970 to 1984, served as District Instructional Technology Specialist from 1984 to 1997, and returned to teaching English in 1997 until her retirement. She plans to do volunteer work and travel with her husband, Thomas.

Sara Jane (Stengle) Munshower served as interim pastor for St. Paul's UCC in Kutztown and is now interim pastor for the First Church of Christ Coventry in Coventry, Conn.

Class of 1971

Brian and Cheryl (Taylor) Bagenstose retired from working in the Reading School District in 2004. Brian was the principal at Southern Middle School, while Cheryl was the art teacher at Thomas Ford Elementary.

Nancy (Beszetar) Haseltine sons, Marc and Derek, both got married in 2004.

Ronald L. Miller and his wife Beckie have two daughters, both of whom graduated from KU. **Rachel Miller '94** teaches in Afton, N.Y. and **Ronda (Miller) Seymour '95** teaches art for Schuylkill Valley, Leesport, Pa. Miller had taught science at Schuylkill Valley since the building opened in 1976. In June, he retired after 34 years of teaching.

Daniel "Dan" Mullen earned a master's degree in engineering from Penn State and is the principal engineer for Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory manufacturing nuclear reactors for submarines and air craft carriers. Mullen and **Mary (Holl) '72** are happily married with a 29-year-old son who has an engineering degree from Virginia Tech and a music education degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Since graduating from KSC with a degree in Liberal Arts/Russian, **Wayne Riegel** earned a master's degree in political science from Southern Illinois University.

Judith (Tobias) Gabriel is a retired school teacher now running her own bodywork/self-development business in Reading, Pa.

Class of 1972

Bryn (Bagenstose) Weckel taught fourth grade for 29 years, then was a Title I school-wide coordinator for three years. Weckel hopes to finish his teaching career in his current position as a reading and math coach.

Gloria (Catalano) Holland retired from working as a docent at the Reading Art Museum.

Carola S. Erb, account executive of Hatter, Williams, and Purdy, Inc. in Oceanside, Calif., is serving a second-term as president of Insurance Women of North San Diego County. Erb also teaches Sunday school and tutors pre-school students.

After graduating, **Mary Hullen** earned a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh in library science. Hullen is a librarian at the Bethel Park Library in Bethel, Pa., and has received three state awards for her accomplishments.

Since retiring after 30 years of teaching, **Ann (Niemeier) Bookhardt** is traveling, babysitting her granddaughter, and consulting for Mary Kay.

In December 2004, **Majorie Reppert's** Rosemary Remembrances II Gallery in Jim Thorpe, Pa., displayed assemblages, collages, and shadow boxes that paid homage to Old Mauch Chunk's 50th anniversary and the gallery's 20th anniversary.

Andrew Rogala retired after 31 years of teaching for Keystone Central School District and is now teaching graduate courses part-time.

This year, **William "Chet" Schreiber** retires as president of Smart Sonic Corporation in Canoga Park, Calif., with plans to cultivate grapes for wine production.

Class of 1973

Dominic "Nick" Calvaresi returned to Maryland after a year assignment in Daytona Beach. Calvaresi has two grown children: Beth (24) works in advertising and Mac (22) is a drummer for Plunge.

Val (Lee) Zaba was presented with the 2004 State of South Carolina Community Spirit Award for her work in the Community Boards of Directors, Community of Character Program, Chamber of Commerce Committees, Crooked Creek Art League, Theater and Community Arts. Zaba had an exhibit at the Columbia Museum of Art and will be completing her master's degree in art therapy at the Chicago Art Institute and College of Charleston this year.

Donna (Lehman) Reilly is in her 32nd year of teaching and lives in a new home on her family's farm in Pine Grove, Pa.

Francine (O'Neill) Hamilton lives in Atco, N.J., and has two daughters: Heather (28) and Leslie (26). Hamilton is a high school guidance counselor at Oakcrest High School in Mays Landing, N.J.

Patrice Perugini-Hosmer obtained National Board Certification as a teacher in world languages other than English. She lives in Georgia and enjoys distance running and modern language technology.



Wanda Shirk was selected among 50,000 applicants to compete for the \$1 million prize on the show "Survivor 10: Palau,"

which CBS began airing on February 17. For 28 years Shirk has been teaching junior and senior high English in Pennsylvania. Currently she is at Northern Potter High School in Ulysses. Shirk has two daughters, is a foster parent to 25 children, and hosts exchange students from Norway, Germany and Ukraine.

Since graduation, **Peter Tetor** has traveled to Russia 16 times. During his most recent trip, he was an exchange educator with the State Department for the Russian Far East.

Raymond Melcher was named to the Board of Directors for the Humane Society of Berks County.

Class of 1974

Yale DeLong is the program manager for the Air Combat Command's Air Warrior Program, the U.S. Air Force's premier Close Air Support Training program. In 2002, DeLong retired from the Air Force after serving for 28 years.

John M. DeVere, associate dean of Academic Affairs at Reading Area Community College, was appointed to a second term on the Berks County Workforce Investment Board (WIB). The WIB is a nonprofit organization that identifies the strategic workforce development needs of the community, proposes strategies to meet those needs, and aligns resources to support those strategies. DeVere also serves on the WIB's Training Committee.

Carol (Liebl) Corso is the supervising special education professor at DeSales University. Since 2001 she has been the school board director for the Southern Lehigh School District.

Beverly J. Manbeck and **Bruce R. Reed '75** authored two booklets about the Pennsylvania longrifle, later known as "Kentucky" rifles, and the local gunsmiths who crafted them. The booklets were published by the Tulpehocken Settlement Historical Society, Womelsdorf and the Lebanon County Historical Society, Lebanon, Pa.

According to USA Track and Field, **Steve McDermott** is ranked 19th in the country for the 55-meter dash within the 50-54 age group. McDermott also runs on the masters outdoor track circuit, competing in both the 100-meter and 200-meter dashes. This year, aside from meets in Philadelphia and the tri-state area, McDermott competed in Utah and Nevada. McDermott works in sales management for Concentra, a national managed healthcare firm.

Class of 1975

Alan Abraham has worked in a variety of design positions throughout his career before retiring in 2004. His first job was as a color expert and then lead designer for Type Fonts, ITC in NYC. In 1983 he moved to Los Angeles to work for Lucasfilm, Ltd. as an advertising designer until 1990. Abraham completed his career specializing in direct mail and general advertising for Capital One Financial Bank.

Marietta (Brazell) Dantonio-Fryer's Giclee prints, "Mayan Weaver" and "Prayer Circle," were accepted in the fourth session of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples exhibit at the United Nations in New York. Dantonio-Fryer's work was displayed in the General Assembly visitors lobby in June and July. Originals of the prints are on display at the Thomas T. Tabor Museum, Williamsport, Pa.

Marian (Korpics) Aranyos completed a master's degree in alternative education in May at Lock Haven University. Marian is a part-time gifted support art teacher for the Warren County School District.

Bruce R. Reed, a retired U.S. Army Major, and **Beverly J. Manbeck '74** authored two booklets about the Pennsylvania longrifle, later known as "Kentucky" rifles, and the local gunsmiths who crafted them. The booklets were published by the Tulpehocken Settlement Historical Society, Womelsdorf and the Lebanon County Historical Society, Lebanon, Pa.

Susan (Spacht) Donmoyer is a self-employed artist who had worked more than eight years at the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Class of 1976

After 37 years, **Philip Hall** retired from Agere Systems, Inc. and is now the assistant business manager for the Wilson School District in West Lawn, Pa.

James Risko had an article published in the November 2004 issue of Chemical Engineering Magazine.

Class of 1977

Robert "Bob" Kurinka is pursuing a pastry arts degree and residing in Wilkes-Bare, Pa.

William "Bill" Luecke has been married for 20 years and has two children, Christine and Mike. Christine is a sophomore at KU. Luecke's company, Graphicorp Communications, is celebrating its 15th anniversary.

Sovereign Bank in Reading, Pa., named **Randy L. Pyle** senior vice president of government banking. Pyle is responsible for the bank's relations with government entities that include state and county, school districts, boroughs, townships, authorities, and institutions of higher learning.

Michael Stephenson and his wife Andrea have been married for 23 years and have two sons: Dane (17) and Cody (14). Stephenson is a firefighter involved in the New Jersey State Police Comm-and System and is an American Red Cross First Aid/CPR/AED and hazardous materials instructor.

Carroll Yorgey obtained a master's degree in community economic development in 1998 and an MBA in 2002 from Southern New Hampshire University.

Class of 1978

Captain Dave Cheslak retired from the Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. A retirement ceremony honoring Cheslak was held in January.

Melanie (Koder) Lister's daughter, Jessica, is a sophomore at the University of South Florida. She and her husband Steve traveled to Sweden in June to tour with Jessica while she studied abroad at Uppsala University. Lister's son Jeremy is working for Westgate Resorts and starting-up his own business.

The events of 9/11 led **Sam Missimer** to reassess his goals and lifestyle, resulting in his leaving commuting/corporate life to become a certified professional Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). Missimer is a designer for a leading New Jersey architecture firm, developing energy and environmentally efficient schools, churches, and municipal buildings.

Laura (Murphy) Goetz is working toward a BFA in art education at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond. She expects to graduate in December and teach high school art.

Class of 1979

Lorna (Brown) Frendak was featured in the Baltimore Sun for being named 2005-2006 Harford County Teacher of the Year. Frendak is a special-education teacher at North Harford Middle School and is considered a teacher her student's "don't forget."

William Davis considered his KU 25th reunion a most memorable event, filled with unforgettable nostalgia. He continues to make fitness, whether weightlifting, life cycling, stair climbing, running, hiking, or mountain biking, a daily part of his life.

Catherine Geiger teaches K-12 art and is the yearbook advisor at Conestoga Christian School.

Barbara Maurer works at Chestnut Hill College in academic support and as an adjunct instructor. She has three children and enjoys bike riding. In September 2004, she and her daughter raised money for MS by participating in the "City to Shore" ride from Cherry Hill to Ocean City, N.J.

Georgia Morrissey was promoted to art director of Collins, a new imprint of books within Harper Collins publications.

1980s

Class of 1980

Juliane (Colpo) Mangiarelli is obtaining her master's degree in special education to teach at the middle school level, making a career change after 20 years in graphic design.



Joseph Corcoran III has three children and is a part-time attorney. He is chair of the Whitmarsh Township Board of Supervisors, where he is instrumental in managing

growth and preserving open space for the township. Corcoran also provides counsel and information to municipalities, organizations, and individuals facing development issues.

Donna (Kriebel) Doney does freelance work designing pieces for corporate information timelines for Clarity Technologies, Inc., in Michigan.

Joanne Lopic is co-owner of Paisley & Company, a bath and beauty shop where customers customize a scent to their preference. Lopic's store is located on Main Street in Kutztown.

Michael Lyons obtained a master's degree in occupational safety from Millersville University. He has been married to wife Jennifer for more than 22 years and has two children. Lyons helps coach his son's ice hockey team and volunteers with the county hazmat team, fire department, and local ambulance.

Catherine Schaeffer is an assistant professor of dance at Valdosta State University in Valdosta, Ga. Schaeffer is a licensed somatic and massage therapist, with prior national and international experience performing professionally with modern dance company tours.

During the spring, **Kathleen (Stiegelman) Armitage's** artwork was displayed as part of the Wonderful Art Show at Mom's Bake at Home Pizza.

Class of 1981

Thomas Bucci is a self-employed painter, selling prints and originals in both oil and watercolor. Bucci is a registered architect in Washington, D.C.

Arther Carlson is president of the North Berks Recreation Commission, an organization providing active and passive recreation in the northern Berks County area.

Steven Layman has been an art instructor for 20 years and is currently working with middle school students. Layman and his wife of 21 years have four children and are planning to retire in Southern Arizona where they will build a self-sufficient home.

William Miller began working for Diamond Graphics in Rockaway, N.J. in March.

John Mizdail was named senior vice president for Wachovia Securities. He has been in financial services for 22 years, the last five as financial adviser. Mizdail lives in Emmaus, Pa., and is a member of the Allentown Sertoma Club.

Class of 1982

In January, the Society of Advancement named **Chris (Devlin) Rhoads** Consultant of the Month for excellence in her work and credentials. She is a CEO of ETM Associates Inc. and an associate professor for the KU College of Business. The honor was a great achievement as Rhoads spent a year recovering from a car accident in 2002. ETM Associates provides practical advice about technology to business owners all over the world.



All three of **Charles "Bill" Dussinger's** cow designs for the Harrisburg Cow Parade were selected for the Community Art Exhibit. Dussinger

Painted two of the three cows, which were later designated to be made into miniatures and sold worldwide. The "Strawberry Cow" was dropped on New Years Eve 2004 to start the Cow Parade, and the "Roller Cowster" was selected as "most whimsical" by readers of the Patriot News. Both cows can be purchased at www.cowparade.com.



Paul Footitt is in his second year of teaching in Skipton, England, on the edge of Yorkshire Dales National Park. Footitt is enjoying the experience, scenery, and change in surroundings. The work is challenging however, as he is teaching high-powered material to bright individuals at Ermsted's Grammer School.

Albert "Al" Kornak returned to Dallas, Pa., after two years in Medford, N.J. Kornak has an office in his home where he sells television equipment for the Lerro Corporation of Norristown, Pa.

David Kriner has been teaching in the Broward County School District for 17 years. From 1982-1984, Kriner worked with the Peace Corps in the Central African Republic.

Katherine (Muehter) Castrianni is living in northern New Jersey with husband, Stephen, and two daughters, Laura and Gina. Katherine teaches art in public

school and enjoys visiting friends and family at the Jersey Shore.

Filomena (Nardone) Nelson has established a performance and training firm, Apex Training Associates, that uses coaching and training to improve individual or group performance.

Shari (Schneider) Adams received the New Visual Arts Educator Award for her work as an art teacher. Adams, along with 600 elementary students, participated in the "Seahorse by the Bay Sculpture." Author Tom Clancy supported funding for local art departments by purchasing the fiberglass sculpture.

Class of 1983

Elizabeth D'Angelo is a self-employed creative consultant and is pursuing a master's degree from Kean University.

Susan Daigle-Leach and her husband provide freelance art and editorial services from their Arizona home for management publishers like Viz LLC, Gemstone Publishing, and Egmont Creative. Their future plans are to enlarge their home office/studio and visit Washington, D.C.

In June, **Donna Hosfeld's** company, Hosfeld Insurance Agency, Inc., celebrated its seventh anniversary. Hosfeld Insurance serves the Lehigh Valley by providing affordable and comprehensive insurance for personal and commercial lines clients.

William Mogilski is a member of the Upper Nazareth Township Zoning Hearing Board.

In 1997, **Debra (Schaadt) Quinn** earned a dual concentration MBA in management and informational systems. She is the assistant area director of finance at Ernst & Young in New York City.

Class of 1984

Lisa (Auwarter) Shearman is an educational coordinator for the blind and vision impaired in Stauton, Va.

Ann (Bement) Hennessy and her husband, Pat, have twin boys whom she takes care of while also providing pet grooming services.

Robert "Bob" and Caroline Browne have three active and healthy teenagers. Caroline teaches at the Vanguard School in Malvern, Pa., and Bob works for SAP in Newtown Square. Caroline continues to play competitive soccer.

Patrick Conneen is married with three children and resides in Ardmore, Pa. Conneen works for SK Macdonald, Inc.

Cheryl (Kehoe) Rodgers and husband Jim have been married for 17 years and have three children: Kaitlyn (15), Thomas (12), and Matthew (3). Rodgers was a sports writer and is now city editor at The Times Herald.

Mark Scala formed Symmetre Design Group in October 2000, after working for Tiger Beat magazine, the Minolta Corporation, and a small studio in N.J.

Susan "Suzy" (Shaw) Sundius is owner and producer of SOBO Productions in Baltimore. Sundius is delighted to be a wife and mother of two boys.

Kelly Stout selflessly endured the extensive process involved to donate a kidney to her fellow co-worker from Gart Sports' Corporate in Denver, Colo. It required six months of testing, and then the major surgical procedure transplanting a kidney in March.

Jennifer (Swan) Myers received a master's degree in fine arts in 1994 from California State Fullerton. Raising her two children in San Diego has been her primary focus, however she is in the process of creating a website to promote her designs and illustrations.

Wanda (Toczek) Benkovic won 2004 NFL Teacher of the Year. Tony Stewart, her former student and Cincinnati Bengals tight-end, was her nominator. Benkovic will receive a \$5,000 award, and \$10,000 to be given to Holy Spirit School in Allentown, Pa. She was honored as a guest of the NFL at the AFC-NFC Pro Bowl in Honolulu, Hawaii in February.

Anne Yerger, assistant principal for the NYC Department of Education, was awarded a grant from the Dave Matthews Organization for Music in the Schools. This grant will cover the cost of installing a new sound system in the school's auditorium.

Class of 1985

In November 2003, **Stephen Bohlinger** was appointed vice president, publisher of Cottage Living magazine, charged with developing the sales and marketing strategy for the newest national title from the Birmingham-based Southern Progress Corporation. Bohlinger joined Cottage Living with nearly 20 years of sales experience. Most recently he served as associate publisher of Cooking Light. Prior to joining Southern Progress, Bohlinger was account manager at Inside Sports and later at Ladies' Home Journal. He began his career in the media department at Lowe,

Marschalk, Inc. Bohlinger resides in Westfield, N.J., with his wife **Debbie (Lewis) '85** and their three children. In his spare time, he coaches the Westfield youth lacrosse team.

Since January, **Cora Lynn Deibler** is the monthly illustrator for Spider Magazine's "The Danderfield Twins" and was recently selected as their serial artist. The University of Connecticut named Deibler 2004 Advisor of the Year and in spring 2004, she was featured in Women in Illustration: Contemporary Visions and Voices at the Norman Rockwell Museum in Springfield, Mass.

Margaret (Hoppes) Mericle is married with two children. Mericle writes the daily and weekly Christian inspirational devotional found on the website www.awordfortoday.org.

Michael Laws obtained his MBA from Alvernia College in December 2004. Laws is the assistant director of Facilities and Campus Operations at Alvernia College.

Bob McClelland has been vice president of marketing at Misco Products Corp. in Reading, Pa., for five years. Misco Products is a private brand manufacturer of floor maintenance and cleaning products. McClelland is active in cycling, running, fly fishing, and coaching youth soccer. He and his wife, Kelly, have two children.

Class of 1986

Kimberly Archbold moved to Florida in 1999 and has two children, Alexandria and Jordan.

Christine (Puwalski) Reichardt has taught within the Reading School District for 19 years, including 17 years as a learning support teacher and one year as a literacy coach. Currently she is the reading specialist and serves on the Reading First Leadership Team at 13th and Green Elementary School. Reichart has been mar-

ried to husband Christopher for 15 years and has two children, Tanner and Hayley.

Shazad Sarwana is pursuing certification as a public accountant.

Class of 1987

Michael Dietrich was promoted to the rank of Colonel in the U.S. Air National Guard and is a senior advisor assigned to the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk in Leesville, La.

Mary (Kohl) Hess is the property accountant for Acorn Development Corporation, a property management firm based in Oaks, Pa. Previously she was the staff accountant/office manager for a CPA firm.

Meg (Reed) Jones left REI, an outdoor gear company, and moved to England with her boyfriend. After six months in England, they returned to the United States. Jones has traveled throughout Europe and plans to continue on similar journeys.

Angela (Shirk) Glover does a mid-day radio show out of Nashville. Glover has interviewed musicians such as Sting, Wanda Jackson, and Loretta Lynn, as well as writing articles for All the Rage and Performing Songwriter Magazine. Glover's daughter, Valleri, is seven years old.

There's never a dull moment when **Christine (Six) Miller's** two sons and four daughters are around. Her family is active in martial arts and music. Miller does freelance photography and illustration while working in the medical field.

Class of 1988

Christine (Bray) Wittreich has been married for 12 years and has two children: Joey (9) and Shannon (6).

Craig Cheifetz is attending AMH Dixon School of Nursing and anticipates graduation in 2006.

Kimberly Fahey has been teaching first grade in Elizabeth, N.J. for 17 years (correction from the Spring 2005 Tower where seven years of experience was indicated). Fahey was included in the 2004 Who's Who Among America's Teachers and is included in this year's edition as well.

Polly Kahl (& '90) is a consultant after having a psychotherapy consultation practice for several years. She and husband, Ken, live on a country property in Berks County, Pa., with their two beautiful sons.

Ian Lande is teaching video productions at the high school level and resides in Bethlehem, Pa. Since graduating, Lande's had several of his stories and poetry published.

Rob Mottola has been married to Jennifer for eight years and has three children. They live in Chanton, Ga., a community 35 miles north of Atlanta.

Steve Piston teaches seventh grade and is head coach for a junior high school football team.

Class of 1989

After six years of raising two daughters at home, **Christine (Beck) Cobos** has re-started her career as a consumer services representative for CIGNA Group Insurance.

Laurie (Demarest) and Scott Jordon have been married since 1991. They had twin girls in 2003.

While in the Coast Guard, **Dorice (Covey) Lessard** lived in New Jersey and Virginia. Lessard taught for a few years and then

operated a nursery program for five years. She and her husband have two children and live near Kutztown.

Geraldine (Cronin) Luchetti graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1994 with a master's degree in corporate and organization communication. Luchetti was married in 1998 and has two daughters, Anna and Erin.

Lisa (Muzopappa) Davidavage graduated from Reading Hospital School of Nursing in June 2004 and was the recipient of The Dorothy E. Van Saun Memorial Award for excellence in neurosurgical nursing. Davidavage works in the emergency department of the Reading Hospital/ Medical Center and plans to pursue a graduate degree from La Salle University.

Michael Pittaro (&'00) was appointed as the Criminal Justice Department chair at Lehigh Valley Community College. Pittaro provides consultation for Reading Specialist, an agency specializing in the treatment of sexual offenders.

Mike Shelby is site manager for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Jocelyn (Tate) McCafferty is a stay-at-home mother for her one-year-old twins, Erin and Brynn, while working one day a week as a social worker for Mercy Suburban Hospital.

In 1999, **Maryrose (Totaro) Snopkowski** became a board member of Dress for Success Lackawanna, a nonprofit organization that gives interview suits to low-income women making a transition into the workforce (www.dressforsuccess.org).

During the summer and fall of 2004, **Christine (Trygar) Noll** attended baseball games with her six-year-old son and traveled to Australia for a family reunion.

1990s

Class of 1990

Jennifer (Baker) Sacks returned to college in Maryland for a veterinary technician program.

In 2000, **James Carroll** and **Carrie (Donald) '91** started a private law practice in Athens, Pa., where they are the parents of two girls.

Joyce Lynn Cimaglia and her husband, David Pihanich, are both employed by Pottstown School District. Cimaglia teaches the fifth grade.



Dr. Elizabeth Tyler Bugaighis joined Northampton Community College as assistant dean of arts and sciences in 2002. She has been promoted to dean of humanities and social sciences, where she will provide leadership for a number of programs. Bugaighis is active in the community as public policy chair for the Bethlehem branch of the American Association of University Women and as a member of the board of the Fowler Family Center at Donegan Elementary school.

Vicki Harris is enjoying life in Uxbridge, Mass., with her husband Brian and daughter Noelle.

Melissa (Horrocks) Gourley has been married to husband Paul for 12 years and they have two children: Jacob (11) and Cassidy (8).

Roger Jackson is the high school principal at the High School for Human Services in Philadelphia, after serving as director of the Office of the College and Career Awareness for the School District of Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Daily News featured his success and stated there is "dramatic turnaround from teaching methodology to student behavior" at HSHS.



After dabbling with a pro-wrestling career, **Dan Moreland** is a certified concrete paver instructor for Anchor Concrete Production of Phillipsburg, N.J. Moreland and his wife **Stacy Wescoe '92** visited The Great Wall of China during a trip to Beijing. They live in Allentown, Pa. with their five cats.

Karen Palcho started the company Karen's Botanicals which sells health and beauty aids she created.

Susan (Woods) "Woodsy" Fox lives in Florida and is happily married with a three-year-old son, Dawson.

Paula (Ziegler) Stackonis started Go Native, Backyard Habitat Gardening Club of Gilbertsville and Boyertown, a native plant gardening club. Stakonis is on the board of directors for the Lehigh Valley Animal Rights Coalition and is involved in environmental issues.

Class of 1991

Thomas Ciliberto has four children, two boys and two girls.

Lin (Davis) Spradley is a stay-at-home mom for her daughter and son in the Charlotte, N.C. area.

In 2000, **Carrie (Donald)** and **James Carroll ('90)** started a private law practice in Athens, Pa., and are the parents of two girls.

Alexandra Koslow's first novel will be published soon.



Paul Lockwood and his wife Katharine celebrated the first birthday of their sons Connor and Brady on March 27.

Erin (Miner) Murray lives in Dallas, Pa., with her husband Ron. Murray teaches high school art for the Wyoming Valley West School District and is a part-time instructor of technology for College Misericordia and Wilkes University. Murray obtained a master's in art therapy at Marywood University.

Kathy (Reinhart) Goff has been married to Jim since 1999 and has a son, Nicholas. They live in Queens, N.Y. but are building a house in Pennsylvania.

Ellen Ritter is living with her partner in Allentown, Pa., and is a corporate trainer

for Aetna, Inc. Ritter is active in local theatre productions, both on stage and behind the scenes. She and her partner (of Wax Wings Productions) designed lights for Moravian College and Pennsylvania Playhouse.

Pamela (Tolli) Scherrer is living in Connecticut with her husband Bob and manages an orthodontic practice. Scherrer plans to attend graduate school for a high school guidance counseling degree.

Class of 1992

John "Jack" Bruni and his wife Kirsten have two children, Abigail and Joey. Bruni was promoted to executive sales representative for Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceutical.

Dana (McCullen) Feeney loves being a stay-at-home mom. Her husband completed a tour in Baghdad with the U.S. Army Reserves.

John McLaughlin is a history and math teacher, as well as head football and basketball coach at Calvert School in Baltimore. McLaughlin is pursuing a master's degree in education administration at Johns Hopkins University.

Bryan Leese and wife Elizabeth have two daughters ages seven and one. Leese is a division officer combating terrorism cells for the U.S. Navy.

Barbara Ryan was appointed gallery director for Broward Community College in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and has taught there since January 2004.

Gayle (Scheuren) McNeill is living in Gilbertsville, Pa., with her husband and two children. She owns a land surveying business and plays soccer in the Newtown area.

Joseph Shirvinski ('92 & '96) has just been appointed principal at Annville Elementary School in the Annville-Cleona School District. He also is a graduate instructor for Performance Learning Systems. He acquired his second masters degree in Educational Leadership from Wilkes University. Before this appointment, Shirvinski taught second grade in the Southern Columbia Area School District.

After 10 years on the radio and two-and-a-half as Lehigh County Public Affairs manager, **Stacy Wescoe** is a reporter with The Chronicle newspaper. Wescoe and her husband **Dan Moreland '90** recently visited The Great Wall of China during a trip to Beijing. They live in Allentown, Pa., with their five cats.

Mary Wislowski has enjoyed living in Japan for the past 10 years. Wilowski teaches English and her interests include photography, cats, travel, and Karaoke.

Robin (Zeigler) Mammola and her husband Mike have a four-year-old son named Michael.

Class of 1993

Richard C. Cooke III and **Alex (House) Cooke** reside in Easton, Pa. In 2004, Richard was a gaffer for season one and two of FOX's reality show Trading Spouses. Alex was nominated as Comedian of the Year by Campus Activities Magazine. In 2004, she performed at 48 colleges across the U.S. and at the State Theatre in Easton in March 2005.

Teresa Foote is pursuing a master's degree in fine arts photography at Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, Ga.

After teaching high school Spanish for seven years, **Shana (Gross) Kremus** is in

upper level management with the international craft company, Jesse James Inc./ Dress It Up. Kremus has been with the company for more than two years and enjoys traveling all over the country. She and husband Dan live in Northampton, Pa.

Michael Himes is a software engineer for SkillStorm government services and has been contracted out to the Central Intelligence Agency for Lotus Notes development.

For the past nine years **Schelly (Martrich) Engelman (&'99)** has been director of special instruction for children with special needs, age birth to three years, for Easter Seals.

Michael Mullins was ordained a priest by Bishop Edward P. Cullen, D.D. in a ceremony at St. Thomas More Church in Allentown on June 4.

Christopher Pellegrino is a communication associate for The Vanguard Group and is playing rugby for Brandywine Rugby Club in West Chester, Pa.

Jennifer (Siegfried) Weidman is a management technician for KU's Human Services Department.

Class of 1994

Kim (Barlet) Meyer has worked for RET-TEW Associates, Inc., since 1996. In 2004, she obtained her license to practice as a professional geologist in Pennsylvania. She has been married for six years and has two children, Isaac and Bridget.

Dawn (Cartagena) Williams has been married to Dave for nine years and has two children: Adrian (6) and Ashlyn (2).

Krista Civiletti was discharged from the Air Force in 2003 after eight years of service. She has a son, Noah, and is a family doctor in rural northeast Pennsylvania.

Cindy (Dewar) Krum is a call quality assurance specialist for Aetna, Inc., in Allentown, Pa. She and her husband are excited about the completion of their new home. Krum has a three-year-old son.

After graduation, **Mariann (Freed) Dowd** entered the Air Force Nurse Corps and has worked in various units. This year, she and her family will be moving to Keeser AFB in Mississippi where she will be selected for the rank of Major.

Rachel Miller followed in father **Ronald's '71** footsteps as they both are KU graduates and teachers. Miller teaches in Afton, N.Y.

Colleen Heath reenacts the middle ages/renaissance period with a group called the SCA.

The day after her graduation, **Marla (Knowles) David** moved to Florida where she teaches second grade.



For the past two years, **Kathy (Krasulak) Ebersold** has been teaching kindergarten in Fauquier County, Va., after teaching in Dallas, Texas, and Fairfax, Va. Her children Jarod (3) and Josh (1) are pictured.

Michael Mish is married and has two children, Cody and Michael. Mish is an assistant principal and has been coaching high school football for 10 years.

Ann Menichelli teaches French for the Arbington School District. Menichelli is married and has a 16-month-old daughter.

Tina (Morgan) McIntyre has two beautiful children who keep her very busy.

Barbara (Moss) and Jason Ferri moved into their newly built home in 2004. They have a daughter named Kailey.

Susan (Pirolli) Haynes is married and has four children, three boys and one girl. She is primarily a stay-at-home mom and is an independent sales representative for a home show company.

Warren Swartwood lives in Douglassville, Pa., with his wife Heather, son Collin (2), and dog Abby. Swartwood is a system administrator at Unisys.

Shawn Ware obtained a master's degree in education from Alvernia College.

Class of 1995

Michael Bliss lives in Douglassville, Pa., with his wife Christy and sons Collin and Jason. Bliss is an area manager for Environmental Waste Minimization, Inc., an organization founded by several KU alumni.

Steve and Jen (Dreger) Bonetz reside in Douglassville, Pa., with their two children, Ashley and Austin, and a cat. Jen is a full-time homemaker with a part-time position at Chairros. Steve is a TV/Technology specialist for the Spring-Ford Area School District and owns Absolute Video. He is finishing a master's degree in education from KU in 2004.

Denise (Dubree) Montano has a son, Griffin Andrew, and welcomed her second child in February.

Mike Kovach married his girlfriend from KU, Daniella Lotesta '97. They live in Northwest, N.J., with their two sons.

Jeanne (Ledes) Dubil has been married for seven years and has two beautiful boys, Logan and Corey.

Christopher Leese is the head wrestling coach at Carlisle High School and teaches 8th grade at Gettysburg Middle School.

Lisa (Manzo) Carlee began her ninth year with Lucent Technologies in the Supply Chain Networks organization. Carlee and her husband Chris have two children and are living Pennsylvania where the construction of their 'dream house' has been completed.

Lisa Maurer teaches literacy and library skills for the Lancaster School District and remains busy at home with her 4-year-old daughter, Jayda.

Erin McCole-Cupp's short story "Silver" appears in issue #30 of Outer Darkness Magazine.

Ronda (Miller) Seymour teaches art at Schuylkill Valley in Leesport, Pa. Her father, **Ronald '71**, taught science at the same school until his retirement this year.

Frank Radomski is the safety coordinator for the family business, General Contractors, which required relocating from Charlotte, N.C. to Plumsteadville, Pa.

Luis A. Ramous III, previously assistant director for multicultural affairs, is now the community liaison for Pine Ridge High School in Deltona, Fla.

Vanessa (Stuart) Carretta spent several years working as a personnel/office manager of a law firm and accumulating 27 credits toward a master's degree in human resource management from Rutgers University. Currently she is staying at home to raise her family.

Jennifer (Wenrich) Wisecup has taught high school for nine years and during this time she created a science fiction course. Wisecup has a four-year-old-son, Trey, and will complete a master's degree in curriculum, instruction, and assessment by the end of this year.

Marnie (White) Zimmerman is teaching high school English and has been married for five years.

Class of 1996

After working in news media for five years, **John Acquavita** is student-teaching fifth grade in Philadelphia. Acquavita received his master's degree in elementary education from Holy Family University in Philadelphia and plans to teach fifth grade in Baltimore.

Tanya Bruce has completed her first year at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine.

Kimberly (Csapo) Taylor is a stay-at-home mom to her daughter, Brooke (2).

Maria (DeVera) (&'04) and **Timothy Mogford** have two daughters. They opened the second location of their performing arts school and company, The Actor's Outlet, in Sinking Spring, Pa. Their first location is in Temple, Pa. Maria received a master's degree in English from KU in 2004.

Daniel Dewey obtained his MBA from Penn State in 2003.

Heather (Druckenmiller) Kuhns was featured in an Eastern Pennsylvania business publication for accomplishments achieved before the age of forty. Kuhns has an MBA from Moravian College where she later received a Humanities Award. She is the marketing manager for Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital in Allentown, Pa.

Amy (Eldridge) McKenzie received a degree in computer graphics from Northampton Community College in 2000 and is a layout designer in the Multimedia Production Services Department at Rodale, Inc. In her free time she is captain to several co-ed and women's volleyball teams.

Grant Ervin completed a master's degree in geography at West Chester University.

Kathryn Grill Hoepfel lives in Colorado Springs, Co. Her husband, Sgt. F. Chad Hoepfel, is stationed at Fort Curson. Grill Hoepfel is a freelance graphic designer working with clients in Colorado Springs and along the east coast.

Bernard Holliday works in the sport psychology field as a performance enhancement instructor at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y. In his leisure time he enjoys outdoor doubles volleyball, snowboarding, mountain biking, and coaching.

Lindsay (Ketter) Rais is a self-employed artist who was awarded a Pennsylvania Council on the Arts fellowship.

Brian Krupa and his wife Cassie have three daughters: Macy (9), Reagan (7), and Gabi (6 mos). The Krupa family lives in Kennesaw, Ga. Krupa is the head coach of the lacrosse team at Kell High School and pursuing a master's degree in educational leadership at Kennesaw State University.

Kathi Kuzo is the assistant manager at Thoreau Veterinary Hospital in Exton, Pa., and is on the board of directors for The Cat Shack Inc., a non-profit, non-kill rescue organization.

Kutztown University President's Scholarship Ball

Need a unique gift for a birthday or the holidays? Well, dust off the tuxedo, find a party dress, pull out those dancing shoes, and call some friends. It's time to plan a night out at the third annual President's Scholarship Ball on November 5 at the former Agere headquarters in Breiningsville. This fun-filled black tie event is a perfect present for someone who loves to dress up, dance and shop at auctions. Tickets are \$125 per person and funds raised create merit-based scholarships. For more information, call the Office of Development at 610-683-1394. Tables can be reserved for parties of eight or more.

Brian Mansfield was selected to be a member of the Wall Township Police Department Special Response/SWAT Team. Mansfield and **Lisa (Heron '98)** have been married since 2000 and have two sons, Connor and Brendan.

Catherine "Cami" Miller treasures the years at KU when she felt "so alive." Miller is a professional actress/vocalist for the Walt Disney Corporation.

Jenni (Miscenic) Wenhold's family attended KU's 2004 Homecoming and enjoyed seeing the campus and all the changes that have been made.

Heather (McLaughlin) Swartwood lives in Douglassville, Pa., with her husband Warren, two-year-old son Collin, and dog Abby. Swartwood is a social worker at the Children's Home in Reading.

Heidi Williamson was featured in an Eastern Pennsylvania business publication for accomplishments before the age of forty. Williamson is a copywriter and manager of global communications at Exide Corporation, where she developed a comprehensive internal communication strategy for a global workforce. She is the director of communications at Berks County Foundation and created its first comprehensive marketing plan.

Heather Yurko obtained a master's degree in English at Columbia University in 1999. After graduate school she worked for a number of financial service organizations and as a development consultant. In 2003, Yurko, her daughter, and partner moved to North Carolina to start a business.

Class of 1997

Tanya Fetrow was a student teacher in South Dakota, and remained there for four years to teach first through eighth grade art to children of Native American ancestry. For the past four years, Fetrow has been teaching high school art in North Carolina.

Rachelle Guido earned a master's of science degree in counseling and educational psychology from West Chester University.

Kristen (Karbowski) Morrow married Will Morrow three years ago and they have a one-year-old son, William.

Andrew Lawrence is studying portrait painting at Schuler School of Fine Arts in Baltimore with Ann Didusch Schuler, Andrew Guerrin, and Hans Guerrin. In June 2005, two of Lawrence's paintings were displayed at the school.

In addition to **Kathleen McVay's** full-time marketing position, she is a part-time freelance writer and the events and marketing manager for the Berks Lehigh Paranormal

Association. McVay lives in Pottstown with her husband of three years.

Danielle (Lotesta) Kovach is married to **Mike '95** and has two sons, Michael and Joey.

Wendy O'Toole is living in Australia where she is working as an event producer and photographer.

Herbert Purdy III is enjoying retirement by frequently babysitting for his two granddaughters, Sophia and Helen, who live close to him in Washington state.

Melinda Anderson-Schmier and **Geoff Schmier** are married and have two children, Jacob and Alyssa.

Jennifer (Schlauch) Morgan worked as a product group manager at LRP Publication in Horsham, Pa., until the birth of her daughter, Natalie Emma, in August 2004.

Joseph Simeone has returned to KU as the assistant wrestling coach.

Class of 1998

Lynn (Berkhimer) Seuberling has been married for four years and has two children, Sierra and Devin.

Michael Boczon works for the famous hip-hop trio, The Beastie Boys, making their music videos and long form DVD's. Boczon never thought this could happen to him.

Jen (Burke) Doran and **Regina "Gina" Burzynski** are leading salespersons for the TEK Systems Plymouth Meeting office.

Deanne (Carr) Fields graduated from Stetson University College of Law in May and lives with her husband and daughter in Gulfport, Fla.

Dannielle DiEva relocated to Alaska.

Maddalena (DiMarco) Beard is pursuing a master's degree in special education at Millersville University.

Douglas Leidy's sculpture was part of "A Study of Nature" exhibit at Lizza Studios in Tunkhannock, Pa., from May through July. Leidy's sculpture is also exhibited at the American Crafts Gallery in Cleveland, Ohio. He is currently employed by Christopher Ries Glass Studio in Tunkhannock.

After graduation, **James Pannafino** spent several years working both as a print and web designer. Pannafino is a professor of computer arts and technology, teaching 2D design and animation at Mercy College in White Plains, N.Y.

Mary Jo Rosania completed a master's degree in fine arts from the Union Institute and University. She is a high

school teacher at Hunterdon Central Region High School and shows her artwork in the New Jersey and Easton, Pa., region.

Lara (Shapiro) Ellis (&'02) is a library media specialist for the Bethlehem Area School District and is working toward her second master's degree in library science.

Teisha (Wesner) Madden (&'04) has taught art at Hamburg Area Middle School for seven years. Madden obtained a master's degree in art education from KU in May 2004. She and her husband purchased their first home, where Madden works on art she hopes to exhibit in the future.

Class of 1999

Kevin Baird is living near Pittsburgh and working in the training department of General Nutrition Centers, Inc. Baird stays active playing tennis, golf, skiing, and working out.

Dawn (Gitler) Leeson and husband, **Matthew Leeson ('99)**, lived and worked in New York City, Bucks County, and now in the West Chester area.

Jenell (Karle) Fratacci is married and living in Deltona, Fla., where she is enjoying life after surviving hurricanes, sinkholes, and house renovations.

Alana Mauger-Reinke finished a master's degree in education at Capella University and will begin pursuing an MBA in marketing at DeSales University.

Shawn Proctor is working on a master's degree in creative writing while working as an associate and web editor for a trade magazine. Proctor is a father, husband, fiction writer, musician, and recently became a new home-owner. Proctor had a short story, "Even in Your Fantasies," published in a literary magazine.

Christine Reilly has been working at FHM magazine in Manhattan for two years, and was promoted to head of the photo department as photo editor. Reilly produces, directs, and edits the covers and inside stories. She also freelances and recently shot the cover of the Beastie Boys' Right Right Now Now single.

Since graduation, **Stephanie (Seltzer) Thompson** designed brochures and websites for Pencom Systems, Inc., based in NYC, and was the designer for a small firm in Sterling, Va. In January 2004, Thompson started Agile Graphics, which designs conference materials, postcards, brochures, and websites for Washington, D.C. businesses and associations. The flexible hours allow her to continue a graphic design career and care for her daughter, Elaina.

**Meet me under the Tower Clock or...
... let's meet at the KU Fieldhouse
on Homecoming!**

No shopping, no cooking, just meet your friends at the Alumni Brunch on October 22. We can arrange any size table to accommodate your lunch bunch or duo. This homecoming brunch is offered to all alumni and their guests for \$12 per person. Some alumni (members of the Board of Associates who support the KU Foundation) attend for free and those lucky persons will be contacted before the event! Call the Office of Development at 610-683-1394 to make arrangements for your party.

Amy Simmler is teaching elementary art in the Central Bucks School District. She and her fiancé bought their first home in 2004.

Todd Skoczynski is pursuing his master's degree in counseling at Shippensburg University and is employed with Dauphin County Case Management.

Cameron Starr is teaching first grade at Marvin Elementary School and coaching track and field at Weddington High School.

Laura (West) Nichterlein is a stay-at-home mother and family counselor for Robin's Nest.

Kelly Whalen is pursuing her doctoral degree in reading at Widener University.

Robin Wink is teaching English and coaching the girls' soccer team at Central York High School. Wink's plays on a York soccer team and ran her first marathon on January 9.

Meghan (Zansitis) Coursen is happily married and has a two-year-old son, Owen. She enjoys working for a Pennsylvania state legislator.

2000s

Class of 2000

Jeff Bandelin has been lead character designer for an animated television show on VH1, commercials, and other projects.

Karen (Cummings) Skoczynski is employed with the Social Security Administration in Harrisburg, Pa., and obtained a master's degree in public administration from Penn State University.

Shawn (Donlon) Musgrove works for the state of Delaware teaching the visually impaired.

In 2005, **Timothy Eichman** earned a master's of science degree in information systems from DeSales University.

Matthew Foster is a police officer for the Conshohocken Police Department. Foster and his girlfriend bought a house in Parkersburg, Pa.

Kimberly Kahres is a software engineer in the Surveillance Planning and Battle Management Division of Northrop Grumman. Kahres will graduate with an MBA from the University of Southern California in 2007.

Max Manzi is a business consultant for the Claritee Group LLC, doing business analytics for a commercial mortgage lending firm.

Elizabeth (Palmer) Haraldsen is working toward a master's degree in information science at the University of Tennessee. Haraldsen and her husband **Jason '02**

have been married for three years and are building their first home.

Crystal (Schlegel) Busch earned a master's degree in industrial/organizational psychology from West Chester University in 2003. Busch is a training specialist for the Jewelry Distribution Center for QVC.

Lori (Shimp) Reichert and husband Kris have purchased a home in Harrisburg Pa. Since April 2004, Reichert has been a recruiter for JFC Staffing Associates, a large family-owned staffing company.

Wendy (Shimp) Sheaffer is happily married and the owner of her first home.

Timothy Simpson obtained a master's in fine arts degree in creative writing in May from Sara Lawrence College, which has one of the top five writing programs in America.

Laura Snyder graduated from Drexel University with a master's degree in arts administration.

Heather Standfast was named leading salesperson from more than 80 branches of TEK Systems nationwide. Standfast works for the Parsippany branch of the corporation.

Class of 2001

Matthew Alloway and his bride, Susie, honeymooned in Mexico over the holidays. They returned to a new home in West Chester, Pa., and to their cat Sneaky. Alloway is a lead teacher for an alternative school.

Bill (Beckwith) Williams obtained a master's degree in social work from Marywood University in 2002 and married husband George in 2003. They live in Forks Township, Pa.

Kristin Dowman obtained a master's degree in social work from Virginia Commonwealth University in May.

Jeremiah Gwozdziwycz is stationed at Goodfellow Air Force Base in Texas and in May began a one-year-tour in Korea.

Danielle "Dani" (Nesta) Moreira and her husband Alan bought a house. Moreira is teaching fifth and sixth grade and is directing the school musical.

Dawn Sadowski was promoted to assistant branch manager at North Penn Bank.

Matthew Styles moved to the Lehigh Valley after working several years in New Jersey as a juvenile probation officer.

Class of 2002

After briefly living in NYC and Philadelphia, **Brenda Adams** is back in Northeastern Pennsylvania with a 'real job' that allows her time to paint.

Melissa Conrath is attending Gwynedd-Mercy College for nursing.

Edward Cruz is pursuing a master's degree in student affairs in higher education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

Gabrielle DeVito is the human resources coordinator for the Cerebral Palsy Association. She and fiancé, Ed Noepel, have purchased a home.

Jennifer Gilbert is teaching high school social studies at Fleetwood High School and attending West Chester University for a master's degree in Holocaust and genocide studies.

Patricia Glennon is pursuing a master's degree in special education.

In May, **Jared Grace** received a master's degree in education from Temple University.

Dennis Hancock and his family moved from Pennsylvania to Washington, D.C. Hancock was awarded a position with the Department of Navy Acquisition Intern Program specializing in government contracting. As part of the program he will be working toward obtaining a MBA.

Jason Haraldsen received his master's degree in condensed matter physics and was accepted into the doctoral program at the University of Tennessee. Haraldsen and wife, **Elizabeth (Palmer) '00**, have been married for three years and are building their first home.

Susan Holbrook obtained a master's degree in public administration at American University in May 2004. She is working for an innovative non-profit organization called Corporate Voices for Working Families.

Thomas Jones graduated from Widner University School of Law where as part of his internship, he served as a law clerk to several judges in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Jones was a member of the Moe Levine Trial Advocacy Honor Society, a law clerk for Farrell & Ricci, P.C., assistant director of Widner's International Program at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Switzerland, and represented Widner at the 2003 National Trial Competition.

Elizabeth Lutz lives next to the beach in Belmar, N.J., and likes being a project coordinator for MedForce.

Matthew Smirich moved to Florida with KU friends, Rob and Randy, where they work for Carnival Cruise Lines.

Nicole Stager had a one-person exhibit of her photographs in the Chelsea section of Manhattan at the Ricco/Maresca Gallery.

Vello Vilbas lives in Maryland and is teaching full-time, coaching boys soccer, and riding his motorcycle.

John Winand earned a master's in arts in political science degree from East Stroudsburg University. His thesis was, "Economic Freedom and Democracy: Sub-Saharan Africa and the World."

Brittney Wood has a master's degree in student affairs and counseling and is employed at Texas A&M, Corpus Christi. Wood is the program coordinator for student activities and advisor for the student newspaper.

Class of 2003

William "Bill" Bravo worked for Klunk & Millan Advertising in Allentown, was coordinator for the Skills USA Advertising competition, and served on the Lehigh Valley Chamber Orchestra Marketing Committee. In March, Bravo was awarded the Silver Addy Award for Direct Marketing.

Shawn Clary has been married to wife Brooke for nearly four years and has a daughter, Grace.

Kelly (Gallagher) Eisele is living in a beautiful home in Warrington, Pa., with her new husband. They plan on starting a family this year.

Brian Kurtz is teaching fourth grade at Jackson Elementary in Allentown, Pa.

Alissa Jebitsch is living in Boston and attending Wheelock College to receive a master's degree in child and family studies with a concentration in child development studies. Jebitsch is working part-time with

children and will graduate in May 2006.

Crystal Miller is a fourth and fifth grade learning support teacher at Alburis Elementary School. She is moving to Virginia where she will continue teaching special education.

Todd Roche's parents dedicated a memorial plaque at Allentown's Muhlenberg Elementary School where Roche worked as a special education teacher's aide. Roche had an affinity for children with autism and was planning to be certified as a teacher in special education prior to his death.

Randall Vaszily escaped the winter weather by moving to south Florida where he enjoys the beach, sports, and music.

Lora Zimmerman relocated from Washington, D.C. to NYC where she will be pursuing a career in the electronic media industry.

Class of 2004

Ian Armstrong moved to San Diego after graduation and is a communication coordinator for Alliant International University.

John Collins moved to LA in 2004 and started his own search engine optimization and keyword marketing company. Collins is buying a house in Santa Monica and recently purchased a 2005 GMC Yukon Denali.

Anika Kaminski is living in State College, Pa., and working for the Central Intermediate Unit as a special education teacher for children who are blind or visually impaired.

Kristy (Sensenig) Hertzog is attending medical school at the Penn State College of Medicine and lives in Palmyra until graduation.

Lisa Witman wrapped up working as a casting associate on season one of Fox's design reality show, Design Invasion. Now she is working with a small media company doing live productions such as award shows, symposiums, and related events.

Class of 2005

Julie Choma is obtaining a master's degree in museum studies from Syracuse University and will be a teaching assistant for an Introduction to Art History course.

Moshe Machlev is seeking a degree in industrial-organizational psychology at Springfield College in Massachusetts.

Marriages

1950s

Gayle (Heller) '59&'83 & William Hartstein 9/18/04

1980s

Mary (O'Halloran) '85 & Phil Possanza 5/2002

Roxanne (Palko) & Robert Jones '88 9/25/04

Mary (Shelly) '85 & Christopher Ellis 11/6/04

1990s

Terri (Anton) '98 & Matthew Barnett 6/7/03
Kimberly (Antonucci) '94 & Corey Vaughan 7/25/04

Sherry (Bishop) & Jude Dvorak '90 9/2004
Casey (Cain) & Timothy Donohue '98 11/13/04

Alisa (Carr) '94 & Steven Kaeser 10/9/04
Melissa (Carter) to Phillip Myers '90 10/19/04

Patricia (Chiesa) '99 & Matt Krakoff 6/2002
Joyce (Cimaglia) '90&'00 & David Pihanich 6/15/04

Kelly (Davidson) '95 & Eric Schoch 9/8/01
Christine (DePasquale) '93 & Nereo Rossi '93 12/26/03

Anne (DePietro) '95 & Timothy Schildt 12/19/04

Tracey (Gatte) '98 & Jason Krause 8/2000
Susan (Herman) '99 & Matthew Alloway 12/18/04

Kelly (Ivacic) '96 & Michael McCann 8/2001
Kami (Jenkins) & Christopher Nolte '96 10/2002

Cynthia (Kammeyer) & Daniel Dewey '96 8/18/04

Melanie (Kiefaber) '95 & Kenneth Lomas 7/27/02

Janet (Messatzzia) '95 & Alistair Staunton-Latimer 6/11/04

Jennifer (Sipes) '96&'03 & Mark Seidel 9/6/03

Vanessa (Stuart) '95 & David Carretta 1998
Teisha (Wesner) '98&'04 & Jeremy Madden 7/27/02

2000s

Shawn (Donlon) '00 & William Musgrove 5/2001

Jennifer (Gilbert) '02 & Matthew Goss 7/17/04

Jennifer (Hinsh) '00 & Niels Witkamp 6/9/01

Tricia (Mattes) '02 & Jeffery Heiserman '03 3/19/05

Jennifer (McAllister) & Max Manzi '00 2003

Sarah (Rogers) '00 & Christopher Eckenrode 8/2001

Crystal (Schlegel) '00 & J. Bradley Busch '99 9/27/03

Mary (Shelly) '00 & Jason Gruber 7/31/04

Karen (Smith) '03 & Brandon Pugh '02 7/31/04

Christine (Volkert) '03 & Bradon Hendershot 6/11/05

Nicole (Wentz) '01 & Shane Peev 5/2004

Aimee (Wink) '01 & Michael Lausch 7/10/04



Births

1980s

Bronwen Anderson-Sanders '88, a son, Owen Michael 2/28/04

Cynthia (Arndt) '86 & George Honeycutt, a son, Solon Jefferson 7/14/04

Gwen (Kerr) Katzenmoyer '89, a daughter, Julia Marilyn 7/14/04

Mary (O'Halloran) '85 & Phil Possanza, a son, Christopher Thomas 4/04

Holly & Gary Saydah '83, a daughter, Camryn 2004

Judith (Smith) '83 & Michael Spengler, adopted a son, Thomas 12/7/04

1990s

Terri (Anton) '98 & Matthew Barnett, a son, Brenden Matthew 10/27/04

Kimberly (Brown) '99 & Matthew Turnbull, a daughter, Katie 11/4/04

Deanne (Carr) '98 & Vincent Fields, a daughter, Maya 5/17/04

Patricia (Chiesa) '99 & Matt Krakoff, a daughter, Tricia 7/04

Jennifer (Coulston) '99 & Sean Doyle '97, a daughter, Meghan Elizabeth 11/30/04

Krista (Dattisman) '94 & Todd Hoppel, a daughter, Hailey Elizabeth 9/04

Kelly (Davidson) '95 & Eric Schoch, a daughter, Rachel Julia (left) 4/17/02

Maria (DeVera) '96&'04 & Timothy Mogford, a daughter, Molly Rose 11/25/03

Cynthia & Daniel Dewey '96, a son, Robert Franklin 1/30/04

Kimberly & John Donnelly '94, a son, Connor Michael 12/14/04

Michelle (Donohoe) Bartley '91, a daughter, Leigh 4/21/04

Hillary (Fahey) '93 & Patrick Yocum '93, a daughter, Katherine 4/12/04

Tracey (Gatte) '98 & Jason Krause, a son, Alex 12/01 & daughter, Morgan 6/2004

Lisa (Heron) '98 & Brian Mansfield '96, a son, Brendan Richard 1/11/05

Traci (Hollenbach) '94&'00 & Jamey Webb '94, a daughter, Gabriella 6/11/04

Kelly (Ivacic) '96 & Michael McCann, twins, Sean Patrick & Jessica Ashleigh 4/16/04

James & Brian Kausch '97, a daughter, Madelyn Ryan 7/11/04

Tracy (Kester) '98 & Joseph Horvath, twin son & daughter 1/3/04

Melanie (Kiefaber) '95 & Kenneth Lomas, a daughter, Paige Rebecca 1/21/05

Pamela (Knitowski) '90 & Ray Hebel, a son, Ethan, 10/26/04

Kathleen (Krasulak) '94 & Rich Ebersold, sons, Jarold 12/10/01 & Josh 8/4/04

Grace (Krauth) '97 & Phil Messinger, a son, Tucker Virgil 9/26/04

Kate & Paul Lockwood '91, twins, Connor & Brady 3/27/04

Jennifer (McCarty) '94 & Charles Sealing, a son, C.J. 6/25/04

Kami & Christopher Nolte '96, a daughter 7/18/04

Jennifer (Nyce) '93 & Christopher Shiban, a son, Hayden Patrick 8/8/03

Lynne (Oddorico) & Michael Krajkovich '97, a son 10/29/04

Amie (Rowe) '98 & Robert Savidge, a son, Eden 4/15/04

Jennifer (Schlauch) '97 & Andrew Morgan, a daughter, Natalie Emma 8/04

Stephanie (Seltzer) '99 & Chris Thompson, a daughter, Elaina Grace 7/20/04

Joseph '92 & '96 and Wendy Shirvinski, a daughter, Abigail Rose 8/20/04

Janelle (Sroka) '96 & Michael Bosold, a son, Rowan 3/19/05

Amy (Stevens) '97 & Bill Parker, a daughter, Katherine Marjorie 1/6/05

Kimberly (Stofflet) '90 & Patrick Spang '90, a daughter, Paige June 2004

Vanessa (Stuart) '95 & David Carretta, sons, Nicholas 8/7/01 & Daniel 1/11/05

Jennifer (Towle) '95 & Jason Rubery, a son, Alec 10/31/04

Teisha (Wesner) '98&'04 & Jeremy Madden, a daughter, Nikailyn Arissa (left) 9/2/04

Karen (Witmer) Russo '96, a daughter, Adriana 3/30/04

Katherine (Brittingham) '00&'03 & Glenn Moyer '00, a son, Gavin 10/30/03

Shawn (Donlon) '00 & William Musgrove, a daughter, Emily Marie 2/04

Hillary (Fahey) '93 & Patrick Yocum '93, a daughter, Katherine 4/12/04

Heather (Moose) '01 & Brian Gross, a daughter, Amanda Lynn 12/1/04

Dawn (Sadowski) '01 & David Lesh, a daughter, Sage Renee (left) 6/12/04

Keri (Snell) '01 & Eric Neidig, a son, Ethan Christopher 2/10/05

Deaths

1923

Ruth Morse 6/14/03
Mae (Ressler) Worrall '23&'42 4/2/05

1925

Howard Deischer 1/27/05
Mamie (Meitzler) Schearer 2/26/05

1927

Violet (Rupp) MacKnight 1/23/05

1928

Mary (Fisher) Reed 3/20/05

1929

Evelyn Unangst '29&'52 3/5/05

1930

Alma (Diehl) Spangler 5/5/05

1931

Arlene (Frantz) Stambaugh 2/9/05

1934

Lucy (Stamets) Stump 3/25/05

1935

Wanda (Wilkinson) Allen 1/14/05
Dorothy (Jacobs) Haring '35&'39 6/15/04

1936

Josephine (Wenrich) Monde '36&'65 7/9/04

Ruth (Shafer) Purnell 11/25/04

Mary Stauffer 12/24/04

1939

G. Marjorie (Guest) Rees 3/3/05

1940

Verna (Rettew) Fogarty 4/7/05
Mae (Parker) Steigerwalt 9/26/04

1941

Donald Davis 5/2/05

1944

Dorothy (Derr) Mountz 2/18/05

1945

Emmaline (Marsteller) Ottinger 3/17/05

1946

Agnes (Hresko) Johnston 3/3/00

1948

Raymond Gallucci 12/30/04
Merryl Rentschler 12/28/04

1949

Thomas Brennan 12/8/04
David Habrial 3/8/05

1950

Paul Shelly 1/20/05

1952

George Kellett 4/24/05

1953

Georgene (Kroll) Castor 1/14/05
Grant Mahon 1/24/05
Elizabeth (Demko) Owen 6/17/03

1954

Walter Geisler 2/23/04

1955

Mary (Hobbs) Gill 3/7/04
Robert Ribble 2/21/05
Shirley Snaith 5/17/05

1959

Catharine (Bond) Breisch 10/4/03
Gerald Kane 3/14/05

1960

John Bishop 4/11/05

1963

William Campbell 3/5/05
Larry Kramer '63&'67 3/29/05

1965

Linda (Spengler) Brown 2/10/03
Sharlene (Fenner) Erdman 10/15/91
John Knoblach 3/6/05

1966

Carole (Hawthorne) Reitnour 9/3/04

1966

Joyce Puchyr 2/6/05

1968

Barry Irwin 5/29/04

1969

Verna Nice 1/25/05

1971

Albert Lilly 4/25/04
Michael Westley 12/27/99

1972

Emil DeJacomo 8/26/04
Karlene Richards 5/14/04

1974

Jeannette Smith 1/19/05

1977

Maryann Tarnock 11/25/04

1983

Michael Wilkins 9/13/03

1986

Kurt Lamarch 10/18/03

1990

Marilyn Gorgodian 2/15/04

1992

Dorothy Murphy '92&'94 10/8/04
Robert Packard 4/12/05

1994

Erika (Del Popolo) Thomas 11/17/04

2002

Timothy Bafile 2/2/05

Emeriti

Ann M. Cimino 12/13/04

Edward Evans 1/15/05

William Marsh 12/19/04

Edith Mellner 2/16/05

G. Joseph Musso 1/12/05

Samuel Ottinger 2/27/05

Max Slick 2/11/05

KEEPING TRADITIONS ALIVE

HOMECOMING 2005

Bookstore open 10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Stop by the Wiesenberger Alumni Center to enjoy light refreshments
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

5:30 p.m. **Hall of Fame Reception and Banquet**, Georgian Room
\$25.00 tickets may be purchased by calling (610) 683-4755.

8:00 p.m. **Pep Rally and Fireworks**, Alumni Plaza

SATURDAY OCTOBER 22

9:00 -11:00 a.m. **College of Visual and Performing Arts "Meet your Emeriti" Reception**, Sharadin Lobby
Gallery show "In Response to Healing" by Peg and Glen Speirs, all are welcome.

9:00 -11:00 a.m. **Meet the new dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Science: Dr. Bashar Hanna**, location TBA

9:00 -11:00 a.m. **College of Education Networking Breakfast with Emeriti and Alumni / Young Graduate Mentoring Program Kickoff**, McFarland Student Union 250

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Children's Festival and Hay Rides**, behind the Education House
Children ages 3 to 10 are invited to their own festival of games and surprises at the children's tent. Have your picture taken with KU mascots Goldie and Griz, face painting, free pony rides and hay rides.

10:30 a.m. **Electronic Media Mixer**, Rickenbach Learning Center Studio 4

11:00 a.m. **Men's Soccer vs. Caldwell**, Soccer Field

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **Multicultural Center Open House**, John B. White House

11:15 a.m. **Tailgate City**, Practice Field behind Kemp
Come tailgate before and during the homecoming game with the organizations you were involved with when you were a student: fraternities, sororities, SGB, ACE, BSU, Accounting Club, various majors and many more. Participating organizations will be sending invitations to their alumni with details.

11:15 a.m. **Alumni Brunch and Class Reunions**, Fieldhouse
Reconnect with your classmates! Special reunion tables reserved for the classes of 2000, 1995, 1990, 1985, and 1980. Visual and Performing Art emeriti will host alumni tables as well. Open to all.

1:00 p.m. **Men's and Women's Swimming vs. West Chester**, Keystone

1:05 p.m. **Football vs. Millersville**, University Field
Purchase tickets at the gate for this great fall classic. Halftime activities feature the crowning of the 2005 Homecoming King and Queen.

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. **"The 5th Quarter" Alumni Homecoming Party**, Tent behind the Education House
Enjoy jazz music by The Trio during the annual post-game celebration. Complimentary buffet and beverages.

letters TO THE EDITOR

I thoroughly enjoyed the spring edition of Tower - perhaps your best edition ever. Well done on stories which were interesting, informative and generally a good read. Kutztown can count amongst its alumni many more "outstanding lives," including those with a lower profile.

Although an ex-pat [I have spent the last 18 years living in the United Kingdom and since 2002 am a UK subject], I cherish my upbringing in Carlisle and most of all, my education at Kutztown. I credit the university with enabling me to broaden my horizons, and my wonderful professors with opening my eyes to a whole new world which I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to explore.

I am always pleased to see that the tradition is continuing. The

most important lesson that Kutztown taught me is that the only way to truly repay those who have given me so much - knowledge, contacts, etc., is to pass it on. I guess that is what teaching is all about. And, although not a teacher, (my degree was in Communication Design) I would like to think that the ethos of teaching is so engrained in all of the graduates at Kutztown that the tradition will continue to live on and on.

Congrats again for a wonderful edition of Tower.

*Kind regards,
Kelly (Miller) Robbins
Class of '84*

I was excited when the recent copy of the Tower came and realized that the issue was devoted to "the varied careers of KU education

majors." I was dismayed to discover that no Library Science alums were featured. They too are graduates of the College of Education. Surely among our many graduates, there must be someone distinguished enough to include in your profiles.

May I suggest Karen Kaufman, who is one of the librarians at the White House Library in Washington D.C., or John Emerick, director of School Library Services Division, Pennsylvania Department of Education, or even Eloise Long, named chair of the recently merged Department of Library Science and Information Technologies Department.

There are many more library science graduates who are making a mark in our field – those who continue to work with children at the elementary, middle and high school levels, several who have

been awarded the "outstanding educator" award in their school district.

The Tower has become an outstanding publication of the university. I would like to see it representative of all aspects and programs of Kutztown.

*Sincerely,
Carol Ann Gearhart
Professor Emerita
Department of Library Science*

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Electronic Media Mixer	_____	Free
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SCENES FROM THE PAST



Does anyone know where and when this photo was taken? According to alumni of the Learning Center, the children pictured are from an elementary class on a class tour. If you can identify the alumni or the event, please contact Craig Williams, Tower editor, Kutztown University, P.O. Box 730, Kutztown, PA 19530 or cwilliam@kutztown.edu. The answers will appear in the next issue of the Tower. Submissions for Hindsight are always welcome. Send photos and corresponding details to the Tower editor.



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