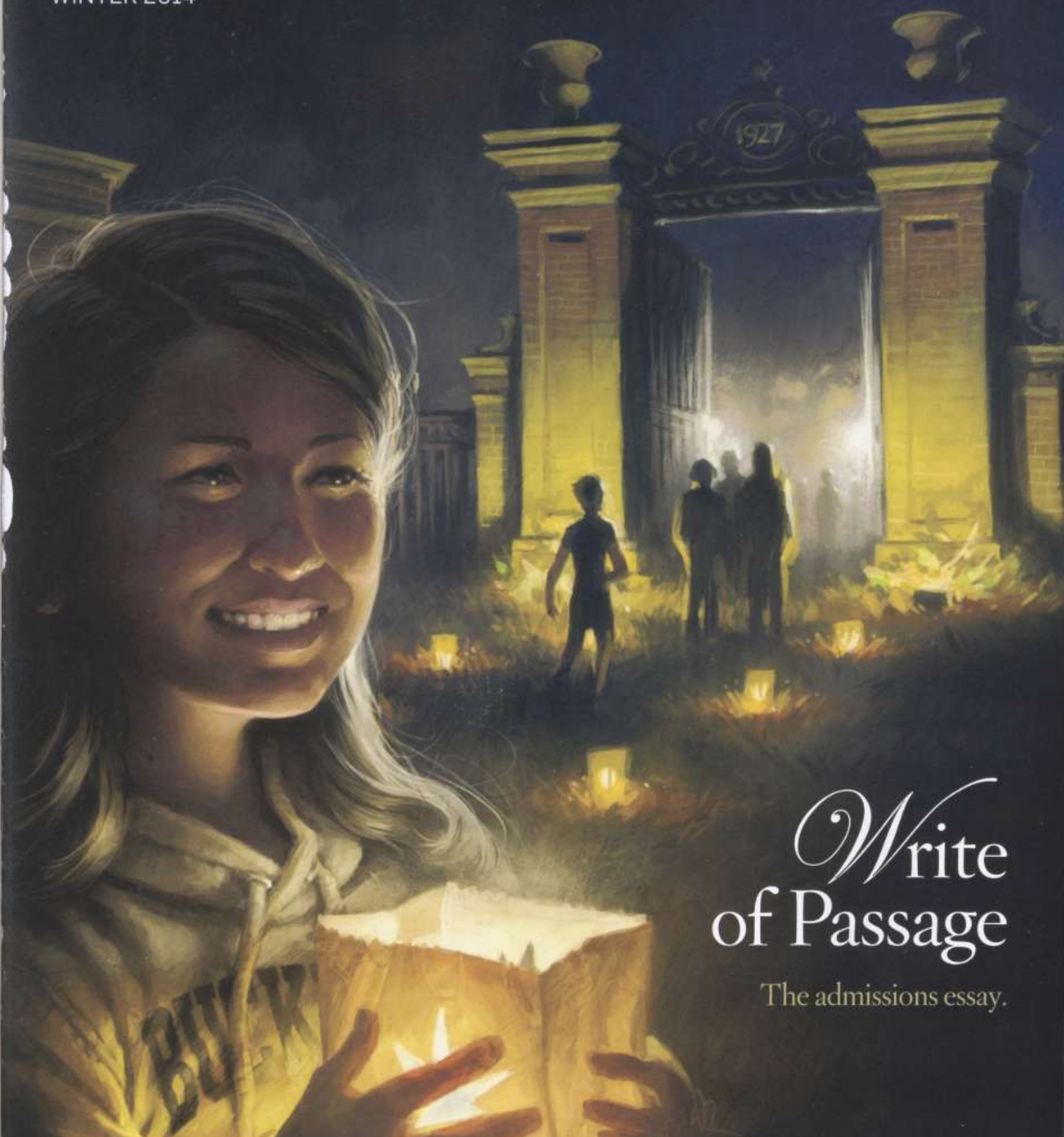


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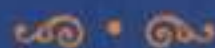
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Eternal Spring

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inter has arrived, and with it we have bid goodbye to another season and await with warm anticipation the next. These seasonal shifts remind us that, like the weather, our students are constantly changing, their minds and lives emerging before our eyes as they move through their Bucknell days. Their ceaseless energy and growth make our work as

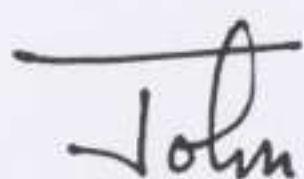
educators both challenging and rewarding.

"Your days are short here," Adlai Stevenson once wrote of college life. "These are the last of your springs."

But at a university, at our University, there is truly only one season — an eternal spring. For if spring is the season of new life, new opportunities, new awakenings, we must recognize that our mission at Bucknell, played out each and every day, has as its focus the lives of our young men and women.

At an institution that has already seen 167 annual cycles, and that expects to see well more than 167 to come, we recognize that our job as a faculty and staff is to awaken in our students the fullness of their best, most authentic selves. Our goal as the changes ebb and flow at Bucknell is to inspire their minds, lift their spirits and empower them to direct their passions where the greatest wish of their hearts longs to take them.

We will not always do everything right. But we as a faculty and staff will always try to do our best to live up to our students' greatest dreams for themselves. As a new year begins, that work is reinvigorated by our students' return to campus and the reminder of the precious gift of their greatest selves that is placed in our trust. We believe in them. We know that our parents and alumni make everything possible. And we welcome this new season in the lives of the students we are all proud to call our own.



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Letters

GIS IN THE COURTROOM

I just read the article on GIS in the latest issue [Fall 2013]. I was excited to hear that Bucknell has hired a GIS specialist and that the technology is spreading like wildfire across multiple academic disciplines.

I noticed that Professor [Ben] Marsh's work has been used in lawsuits to great effect. You may be interested to know that the technology is being used close to home in what may be an unexpected application: criminal prosecutions.

I majored in chemistry with a minor in classics and work as an assistant district attorney prosecuting criminal cases in Williamsport, Pa., where I have found great use for GIS technology in my profession. We have been using GIS specialists as witnesses at criminal trials. Specifically, we have been relying on spatial geographic analysis of wireless cell phone signals to approximate the locations of suspects relative to a given crime scene. It is fascinating to note that in our field, GIS intersects with criminal law, geography and electrical engineering. The experts we work with use ArcGIS for mapping. It turns out that when criminals give an alibi, they instinctively try to put themselves as far away from the crime scene as possible. In the latest trial, a brutal home invasion burglary, we were able to disprove the suspect's alibi location using GIS technology. We'll be using the same technology in an upcoming attempted murder trial where the suspect again has an alibi several counties away from the scene of the crime.

Martin Wade '06
Williamsport, Pa.

REVEALING ROTH

My son is a 2007 graduate, and the recent alumni magazine was sent to my house, where I saw the article on Philip Roth '54, written by Jane Brown Maas '53 [Fall 2013]. It was great — wise, funny and just this side of irreverent. At least to me, it was far more revealing

than Roth's recent profile in *The New Yorker*. Maas may be an octogenarian, as she says, but she has a mighty young heart.

Visiting my son at Bucknell, I was always struck by the fact that I never heard a mention of Roth as perhaps Bucknell's most distinguished alumnus, except for Christy Mathewson 1902. I assumed, because of then-prevailing anti-Semitism — and also because, other than Roth's later *Indignation*, I saw nothing about Bucknell in Roth's novels — that his experience at Bucknell was not a positive one. Your article puts that in a very different light.

Len Levitt P'07
Stamford, Conn.

PHILIP AND JANE

I cannot remember when I read a more interesting or well-written article in *Bucknell Magazine* than I did last night reading about Jane Brown Maas' friendship with Philip Roth. It was wonderful! When I started college, Roth's book *Goodbye Columbus*, published in the '60s, was still tremendously powerful.

I met Maas at an event celebrating 125 Years of Co-Education a few years ago at Homecoming. We both were among the keynote speakers. I gave a speech about Bucknell and how its culture of treating women equally in the classroom was so important to my career. Maas lived the *Mad Men* era and spoke about Bucknell and her life on Madison Avenue. She then wrote a book about it [Winter 2012].

Liz Smith Mao '71
Darien, Conn.

LONG LIVE THE LIBERAL ARTS

My wife, Suzanne, and I are graduates of Bucknell. We were, to say the least, thrilled with President Bravman's message in the Fall 2013 issue. Like many alumni, we look back on our years at Bucknell and realize those years formed an invaluable foundation

for the decades that followed, not because Bucknell trained us for our jobs but because it prepared us for our lives.

I studied engineering at Bucknell and worked in the field my entire life. For this engineer, the value of exposure to liberal arts during my technical studies at Bucknell has made all the difference. From Dana Engineering to Vaughan Lit was a short walk with rich rewards.

We are so pleased to read that Bucknell intends not to waiver from its commitment to liberal arts.

We are so pleased to know that the faculty still strive to inspire intellectual curiosity.

We are so pleased to imagine a Bucknell that will offer our grandchildren the experience and excitement of learning that we enjoyed a half-century before them.

The "President's Message" has motivated us to give all we can to Bucknell in our remaining years so it can continue the founders' vision. We encourage all alumni to do the same.

Steven '70 and Suzanne Smith Dunn '69
Canandaigua, N.Y.

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Caving, Kayaking, Camping and More

Bucknell's Outdoor Education and Leadership program grows by leaps and bounds.

By Gigi Marino

While it may seem counterintuitive that the greatest challenge for an office focused on outdoor activities is integrating technology, the new director of that office will tell you that without reliable infrastructure you won't have a successful program.

Tony "Tito" Stafford, Director of Outdoor Education and Leadership, has been at Bucknell for a year and a half. As a for-instance, he says, when he

arrived on campus last summer, the Bison Bike Shop was supposed to have a complement of 45 bikes to lend to students, faculty and staff. However,

20 of the bikes were missing, and the chalkboard system of tracking rentals was not efficient. Stafford purchased software that logs rentals and another program that records equipment inspections and repairs. Through enhanced tracking, Stafford has increased availability of the bikes for the campus community.

Stafford brings 10 years of experience in outdoor leadership and stewardship to the Bucknell program. He's been a course director for Outward Bound; sold outdoor gear for REI, the nation's top distributor; directed wilderness programs in New Mexico, Colorado and Virginia; and led several adventure treks to South American destinations.

In his role here, he directs and coordinates five programs: the high- and low-ropes challenge course located six miles from campus at Cowan; Buck-Wild, the pre-orientation wilderness trip for first-year students; regularly scheduled off-campus weekend trips that include climbing, caving, hiking, horseback riding, white-water rafting and skiing; the University's outdoor rental center that makes available kayaks, canoes, camping gear, cross-country skis and snow shoes, as well as an indoor climbing wall, to the entire campus community; and the Bison Bike Shop, which additionally provides free training in basic bicycle maintenance and repair.

Stafford also co-advises the 300-member Outing Club that offers its own spate of trips and activities. Jim

BuckWild participant climbs at White Rocks overlooking the Michaux State Forest in Pennsylvania's Cumberland Valley.



Hostetler, Director of Construction and Design at Bucknell, advised the Outing Club for 26 years and was largely responsible for developing both the ropes course and BuckWild.

"The motto of the Outing Club is, 'Don't let schoolwork get in the way of your education.' I know that rankles some people, but I'm a firm believer in experiential education. Outdoor education — group dynamics, risk assessment, team building — gives you life skills that will serve you whether you're standing in front of a third-grade classroom or the corporate boardroom," says Hostetler. "I've talked to every president, provost, dean of students and most VPs trying to convince them of the value of the outdoor education experience, and I'm proud of what we've built together here at Bucknell."

Stafford highlights one of the main goals of his office: developing leadership among the student body. "In keeping with the recommendations of the Campus Climate Task Force, we provide alternative activities in which everyone, including families, can participate," he says. "We're doing a better job of training people and elevating the professionalism of our students. We're also moving toward a green culture and sustainability. With our full-on bike shop, we're hoping to create more of a bike culture on campus."

This year over the spring break, Outing Club members will be on a paddling trip in Florida's Everglades National Park. Stafford hopes soon to offer international trips, one year for students, and the next, for alumni. The first international alumni trip he hopes to plan with Hostetler is to the Dolomites in Italy.

He says, "We want to offer programs that challenge people, create new opportunities for learning and growing, and change lives."



BuckWild students backpack in the nearby Bald Eagle State Forest.

More and More Students Go BuckWild

First-year outdoor experience doubles in size.

Julie Cannon '14, a senior majoring in sociology and anthropology, says that being involved with BuckWild, the University's pre-orientation wilderness program, has provided her with "peak college experiences." During the past few years, she's led climbing, biking and paddling trips, to name a few.

"My leadership style has really formed through BuckWild," she says. "Outdoor education even helped me get a job. We conducted group interviews for BuckWild right before I interviewed for Abercrombie & Fitch. The process taught me how to interview well."

Tony Stafford, Director of Outdoor Education and Leadership, says BuckWild has become a curriculum-based program. Student trip leaders participate in 16 class hours of outdoor leadership practices; a 72-hour Wilderness First Responder Certification; six technical skills weekend training courses in biking, caving, backpacking, winter camping/winter travel, climbing and canoeing; as well as a pinnacle experience to pull all the practices together.

In 2012, BuckWild attracted 86 students; last year, 134 participated. Stafford says the program ultimately seeks 180 participants for fall 2014. "This fall, we're going to have 56 leaders and offer 18 different trips," he says. "We're still on the upward curve of growth and knowledge. We want to find our saturation point."

Student participants have a variety of choices during the weeklong program set in the wilds of Pennsylvania, including hiking the Appalachian Trail, backpacking and camping, rock climbing, adventure racing, mountain biking, caving, ropes challenge course and canoeing.

Damon Frezza '15, another BuckWild leader, says that the essence of leading is "handing over the reins to participants." He correlates the work he does on the trail to the work he does in the classroom as a tutor. "You don't want to lead people to an answer; you want to facilitate their progress so that they arrive at the answer themselves."

"One of the things that attracted me is the people. You meet open-minded people who are willing to try new things and be adventurous. These are the people I want to spend time with." — Gigi Marino

Into the Dark

Twins conserve energy with an illuminating idea.

Josh Berliner '15 was working alone in the basement computer lab of Rooke Chemistry Building when suddenly the lights, triggered by an occupancy sensor, went dark. Rather than feeling annoyed, Josh was triumphant.

"I did that," he thought.

Josh and his twin brother, Zach '15, spearheaded the installation of motion sensor lighting in the computer lab and some 25 other rooms around campus, saving the University close to \$3,500 per year. They also planned the installation of LED lights over the Bucknell Academic All-Americans Wall, conserving another \$1,000 in energy.

The brothers successfully pitched their ideas to the Green Fund, a University initiative providing start-up funding for sustainability projects suggested by students, faculty and staff. The

program funds endeavors that will pay back their initial costs within seven years, with additional savings returned to the fund within that span.

"We really like doing projects like these," Zach says. "It's something that people can wrap their heads around."

— Matt Hughes



L to R: Zach '15 and Josh Berliner '15.

WATCH FOR IT



Downton Abbey fans should keep their eyes peeled for this vintage wine with a Bucknell pedigree. Robert and Cora Crawley, Earl and Countess of Grantham, serve Château Coutet 1919 to guests during a house party in the third episode of the period drama's latest season. Château Coutet co-owner **Aline Baly '02** says she is thrilled over the Granthams' appreciation of the fine wines from France's Bordeaux region, including hers.

Probing the Martian Skies

Inside a lab at Rooke Science Center, chemistry professor Karen Castle is working to unlock the secrets of the Martian atmosphere, some 35 million miles from Lewisburg and the rest of the blue planet.



Professor Karen Castle

Castle has been awarded a \$178,000 grant from NASA's Mars Fundamental Research Program to undertake a three-year study of carbon dioxide in Mars' middle and upper atmosphere. Her research will aid NASA researchers and other scientists trying to understand the climate of the red planet and our own atmosphere on Earth.

"The Martian atmosphere is significantly different from ours," Castle says. "But

there are some similarities in the chemical and physical processes in the upper atmospheres of both planets."

The NASA grant provided Castle a quantum cascade laser, a highly sensitive tool to detect vibrationally excited CO₂ as it collides with other molecules and atoms. She hopes her research will help NASA improve Martian climate models and better understand terrestrial climate change. — Matt Hughes

Q&A

With 40 years' experience in publishing and book publicity, Alice Brewen Acheson '58 discusses self-publishing and print-on-demand books.

By Gigi Marino

Q: In addition to working full-time as a publishing consultant and book publicist, you teach a class called "Publishing Choices: Print-on-Demand, Self-Publishing and Traditional Publishing." What advice do you give authors considering print-on-demand?

A: One of the big disadvantages for print-on-demand (POD) books is that bookstores rarely accept them. POD books have a 20-percent discount. Traditional bookstores ask for a 40-percent discount. Plus, POD companies don't accept returns. Another problem is national distribution. If you find a

distributor who will work with you — and most don't even work with one-book publishers — you have to give them a 55- to 65-percent discount.

Q: How has the self-publishing phenomenon affected the publishing industry?

A: When I entered publishing in the early '70s, there were always 50,000 trade titles a year. Back then, we said we were publishing too many books. In 2010, there were 143,000 titles, including self-published and POD. In 2011, there were 211,000 titles. The sheer number of new titles each year is causing problems for bookstores and reviewers. If you take the sales of those self-published or POD books and divide that number by the number of titles, the sales would be about 100 for each book.

Q: Has the presence of the self-published books diluted the market?

A: Yes, simply by the sheer volume. Some say the wind has gone out of print. Anyone can write and publish a book. With the Espresso Book Machine, you can watch the paper go in, be bound and sliced in just minutes.



Q: You mentioned self-publishing and a specific POD technology. What's the difference?

A: The big difference is that with self-publishing the author owns the ISBN [the International Standard Book Number, a unique identifier, like a social security number for a book]. Depending on the POD company you hire, you may not own the ISBN to your book. If you do hire a POD company [like Amazon's CreateSpace, Xlibris or Lulu] you should purchase the ISBN, which makes you the publisher and sole owner.

Also, I want to add that the POD process is excellent for a memoir to be given to family and friends or for individuals who speak to a network of organizations and can sell the book at the back of the room, thereby circumventing the need for reviews and bookstore sales.

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THE THINKER

The New Yorker traced the enduring legacy of **Christy Mathewson 1902**, crediting the major league pitcher with shifting perception of baseball from that of "a degenerate game" to "a deliberate, unflashy pastime beloved by stat-heads and amateur historians." Even the "unmannered galoot" Babe Ruth became an acolyte of Mathewson's cerebral baseball philosophy.

FIRST IN FAMILY

The Chronicle of Higher Education interviewed **Kaitlin Marsh '14** about expanding opportunities for first-generation college students. Marsh uploaded a video to *I'm First*, a website offering support to aspiring first-generation students (imfirst.org). Marsh said a resource like *I'm First* would have helped her transition to University life.

SPEAKING OUT

Soccer player **Jesse Klug '16** penned an open letter to *Out Sports* appealing to those who disapprove of homosexuality to re-examine their perspectives. Klug used his role on the Bucknell team as an example of why sexual orientation should not define a person. "On the field," he wrote, "... sexual orientation holds absolutely zero significance."

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IMMIGRATION ISSUES

The Fiscal Times asked Professor **Elizabeth Durden**, sociology, to weigh in on the shifting attitude toward U.S. immigration reform of Sen. Marco Rubio, who favors a piecemeal approach over the comprehensive reform bill he helped author. Durden said immigration reform has united traditional pillars of the Republican party, including business leaders and evangelicals.

Late Night @ KLARC

Late-night programming with twists, turns, dives and slides.

By Heather Johns

The flying disk is neon blue against the black sky. Bucknell students jockey for position beneath it, winded and cold in the brisk night air, waiting for the disk to drop. The students are incandescent blurs, impossible to identify except for the glow sticks circling their heads or wrists to mark them as part of the teams competing. At last, the disk slows and hovers just out of reach before falling into the hands of the victor. Bucknell's first game of Illuminated Ultimate Frisbee has been won.

It's well after dark. It's Late Night @ KLARC.

Late Night launched in spring 2013. It includes keeping the Kenneth Langone Athletic and Recreation Center open until 1 a.m. and holding weekly late-night group fitness classes, events and intramural leagues. The program was created in response to



Candlelight Yoga is one of the many healthy activities offered at Late Night @ KLARC.

data from the Campus Climate Report.

"The report showed that students were engaging in unhealthy activities at night, or no activity at all," says Laurel Kopecky, Assistant Director of Recreation Services. "We wanted to initiate more student-focused, robust late-night programming to help turn that around."

Many Late Night @ KLARC events are co-sponsored by athletic teams, as well as fraternities and sororities. The events have been a mix of the expected and unexpected, from a three-on-three basketball tournament

to Dive-In Movie, where students watched a film on the Kinney Natatorium big screen from the pool or the stands. "They're really popular," says Kety Silva '14. "I went to Zumba Party, and there was a great turnout. The glow sticks were cool."

Other Late Night @ KLARC events include Candlelight Yoga, Glow-in-the-Dark Dodgeball and Bison Idol, featuring the finest lip-synching this side of the Susquehanna.

"We have lots of exciting things in store," says Kopecky, "and we hope it gets even bigger and better."

SHORT STACK

Bucknell athletes have the **highest graduation rate** among all Division I schools. The Bison tied Stanford with a four-class average of 93 percent, according to U.S. Department of Education standards. Using the NCAA's Graduation Success Rate metric, which does not penalize schools for losing transfer students in good standing, the Bison tied for fourth, with **98 percent** of athletes graduating.

The Bucknell Brigade in Nicaragua won second place in the 2012-13 **True Hero** service project competition. Brigade raises money to help sustain a free medical clinic in **Nueva Vida, Nicaragua**, and sends two groups of student volunteers to the Central American republic each year. The \$2,000 prize from True Hero will go toward the Brigade's **\$40,000 annual fundraising goal**.

The Property and Environment Research Center named **Scott Perkins '14** a **Pennsylvania Campus Sustainability Champion** for his work in securing a demonstration wind turbine near the Bucknell Environmental Center. Perkins, a mechanical engineering major, also has been active with Campus Greening Initiative Director Dina El-Mogazi's **renewable energy scholars** programs.

This Lonely Planet

Researchers discover the first planet not orbiting a star.

By Andy Hirsch

Characteristics of planets vary greatly, and defining one isn't always easy (just ask Pluto).

But one trait astronomers have agreed upon is that planets orbit stars, as Earth does the Sun. Then came PSO J318.5-22, the planet recently discovered by a team of astronomers that included Bucknell professor Katelyn Allers.

"Everything we've measured for this object is planet-like — its mass, its temperature, its brightness," Allers explains. But there's something missing. "It doesn't have a parent star. We call it the lonely planet because it's just traveling through the galaxy, basically by itself."

The discovery was made using the Pan-STARRS 1 wide-field survey telescope on Haleakala, Maui. Follow-up observations with other telescopes revealed properties similar to those of gas-giant planets found orbiting young



Professor Katelyn Allers
inside the Observatory
at Bucknell.

stars. Allers' analysis helped confirm it is indeed a planet.

The absence of a parent star makes the planet particularly valuable for research. "When we look at most exoplanets (planets outside our solar system), we're also looking at an extraordinary amount of light from its nearby parent star, and that can make studying certain characteristics of the planet challenging," she explains. "We don't have that problem in this case."

The planet also offers researchers another interesting trait — its age. By monitoring the position of PSO J318.5-22 over two years, the team

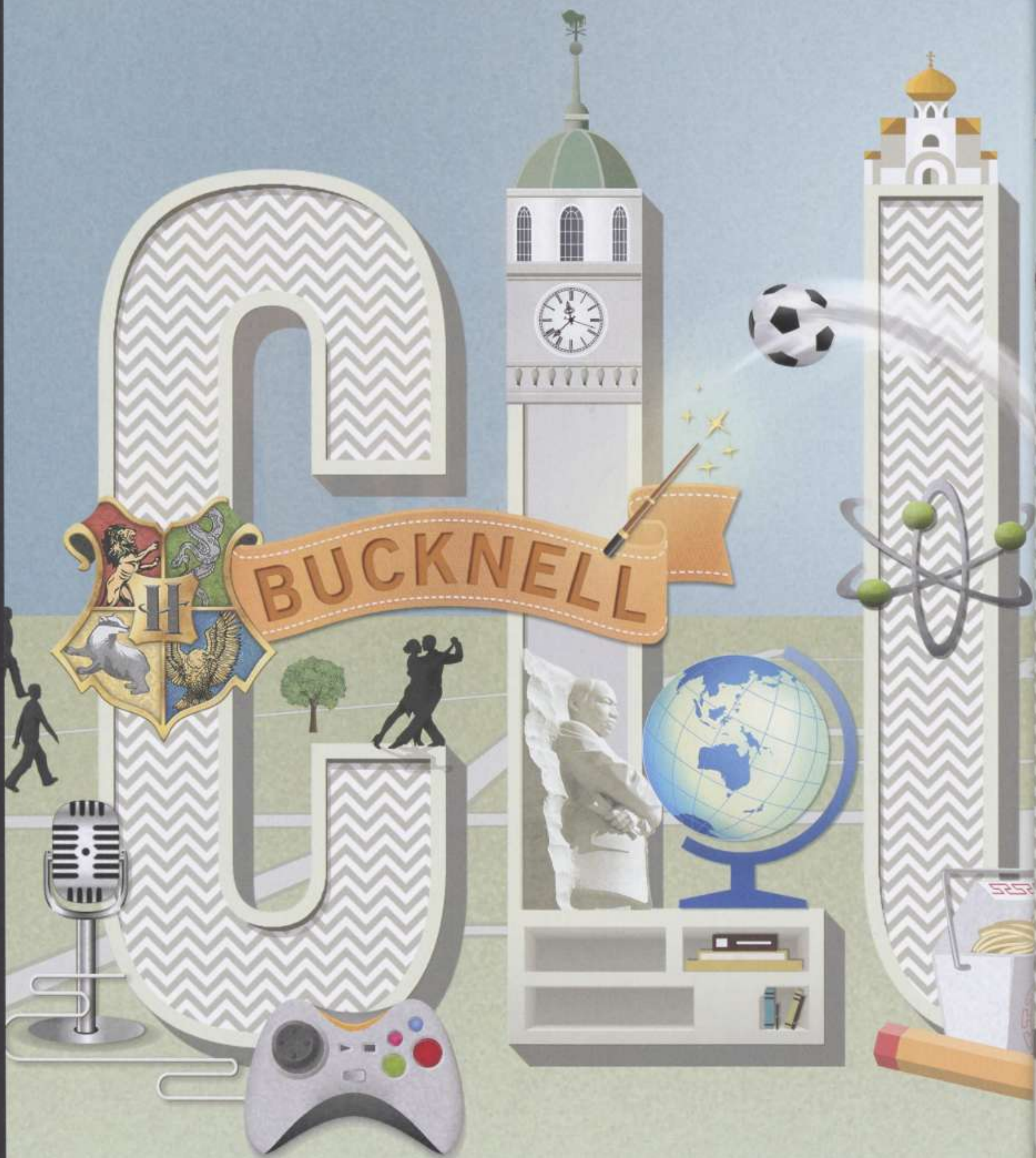
measured its distance from Earth — roughly 480 billion miles. Based on that distance and its motion through space, they concluded the planet belongs to a collection of stars that formed about 12 million years ago. "This planet is relatively young," Allers says. "For a comparison, our sun is about 4.5 billion years old."

Observations of the young planet already have Allers and her colleagues thinking about how a planet changes as it ages. "We knew right away that this was something special," Allers says. "It really is going to force us to change the way we think about the definition of a planet."

The American Physical Society awarded **Professor of Physics Tom Solomon** its 2014 Prize to a Faculty Member for Research in an Undergraduate Institution. The society praised Solomon for his contributions to **chaos theory and non-linear dynamics**. Bucknell also lauded Solomon with one of two **Presidential Professorships** this academic year.

The School of Management earned accreditation from the **Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)**, the longest-serving global accrediting body for business schools. **Fewer than 5 percent of programs** worldwide share AACSB accreditation, a hallmark of excellence in business education. See the *Spring 2014 issue* for more details.

Professor Claire Vaye Watkins, English, won the international **Dylan Thomas Prize** for her 2010 short story collection, *Battleborn*. Awarded by Swansea University in Wales, the prize honors English-language authors **younger than 30** — as Thomas wrote most of his poetry and prose in his 20s. It is considered a badge of up-and-coming literary talent.



Bucknell Clubs

By Matt Hughes

With more than 150 student clubs and organizations to choose from, Bucknell students can get out and get involved nearly any way they like. Study-weary Bucknellians can get physical with the boxing club or the roller hockey team, sing their troubles away in one of five a cappella groups or pursue harmony with nature in the gardening and fly fishing clubs. They can let their imaginations run wild with Harry Potter interest group, Dumbledore's Army, and role-playing group D.R.A.G.O.N, or

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stay grounded in the surrounding community with the Bucknell Green Builders or the Friends of the Rail Trail. Club offerings range from the storied and venerable *L'Agenda* and *Cap and Dagger* — each more than a century old — to thoroughly modern pursuits like paintball, video gaming and robot building. Bucknellians who can't find something they're into here have options — students can start a club, anytime they like.

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Seeking the Wildlife

From Japan to Pennsylvania, this biologist looks under every stone.

By Brian Hudgins

As a child, Mizuki Takahashi combed through the suburbs of Tokyo with his head down and a smile on his face, hunting for bugs and aquatic critters.

"Since I was little, I loved catching insects, frogs and crayfish and analyzing them," he says. "A few times, when I didn't come home by 7 p.m., my parents called the police to look for me."

These days Takahashi, a biology professor, sets much of his own schedule outside of teaching, and is able to take his time searching for wildlife and making observations in the forests and streams near campus. He sees similarities

between central Pennsylvania and Tokyo. Beech and oak trees are dominant. Forests near campus often feel like his childhood home, minus the prevalence of bamboo, and he finds greater opportunity for research here.

"The Japanese people in general pay attention to conservation, but there is less money invested in ecological research than in the U.S.," Takahashi says.

One of his main interests involves inbreeding in amphibian populations. Using aquatic mesocosms, which are water enclosures used for experimentation, he is testing how inbreeding affects survival, growth and mating behaviors. "We don't know much about how inbreeding is affecting globally

declining amphibian populations," he says. "They don't have great migratory abilities. They can't cross a road or fly. So, habitat fragmentation can lead to inbreeding, which likely interacts with other threats, such as pollution and disease."

Takahashi introduces students to the natural world through the study of amphibian biology, conservation genetics and behavioral ecology. "A lot of students do not have direct experience with nature," he says. "Not many students have seen amphibians in the field. It's important for young generations to experience nature. If you don't have that appreciation, you can't recognize the value of nature globally."

FACULTY PROFILE

Nikki Young

Picture the family models we most often think of in U.S. society: white people, straight families and a middle-class lifestyle. Professor Nikki Young, women's and gender studies, looks at those models and wonders about other ways of living.

Her work brings together Christian social ethics, gender and sexuality studies and critical race theory. She has focused primarily on black queer families as a group that provides an excellent model for exploring the different ways people live in relationship with one another.

Young has found that many black queer families try to resist a capitalist paradigm within their familial bonds. Instead, they focus less on what family members owe each other and more on what they can offer one another in their relationships. This perspective becomes important in

families frequently pushed outside the mainstream.

Relationships lie at the heart of Young's approach to teaching as well. "One of the things I've appreciated about Bucknell is the commitment to participating in a community that our faculty and students embrace. Forging relationships outside of the classroom helps students see that they can think about the world through the critical lenses they've developed in the classroom, and they can bring the world that they're experiencing into the classroom."

— Paula Cogan Myers





'Ray Bucknell

Student Life & Sports

Back on the Home Court

Star basketball player Charles Lee '06 returns to Bucknell as an assistant coach.

By William Bowman

One of the best players during an unforgettable era of Bucknell basketball, **Charles Lee '06**, was recruited to play basketball for the Bison. A few years later, Lee went on his own recruiting trail to return to a game he missed — a trail that, once again, led back to Lewisburg.

Lee, the 2006 Patriot League Player of the Year who helped the Bison to NCAA tournament wins over Kansas and Arkansas, played professionally

overseas for four years, which often forced him to be separated from his wife.

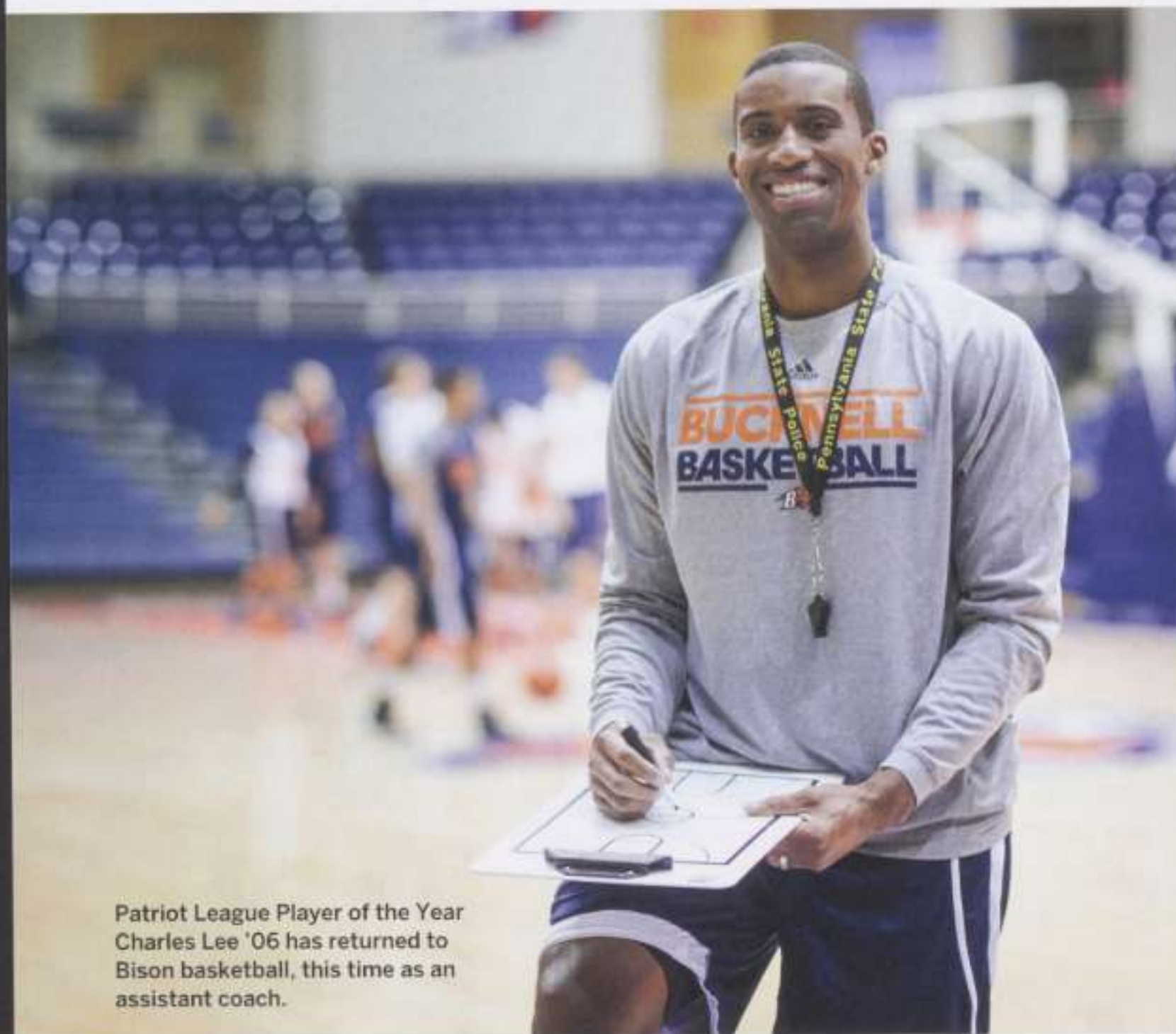
In the spring of 2010, Lee walked away from basketball. He took a job

on Wall Street at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, allowing him and his wife, **Lindsey Geosits Lee '06**, to settle down. Lee played recreationally during his off-hours from equity position trading and, eventually, "got the itch to get back around basketball," this time as a coach.

Even with his impressive basketball résumé — star player on a team that won two NCAA tournament games, Player of the Year, Christy Mathewson Award winner — Lee knew that if he was to get into coaching, he would have to start at the bottom of the ladder.

Lee put in calls to former coach **Pat Flannery '80** and current Bison coach Dave Paulsen to find out if they knew of any open assistant coaching jobs. When one became available at his alma mater, he jumped. "I was looking for an opportunity to get my foot in the door and, luckily, something on the Bucknell staff opened up," Lee says. "I left a better paying job for the chance to do something I am extremely passionate about."

That passion works on and off the court. All of the men's basketball coaches are academic advisers for one class. In this capacity, Lee has regular discussions with Bison players about their academic progress, conversations that remind him of the rigors that student-athletes face. "It helps that I've been through it; the guys know I can relate," says Lee. "But there are times when I think, 'I went through this?'"



Patriot League Player of the Year Charles Lee '06 has returned to Bison basketball, this time as an assistant coach.

Going to Kathmandu

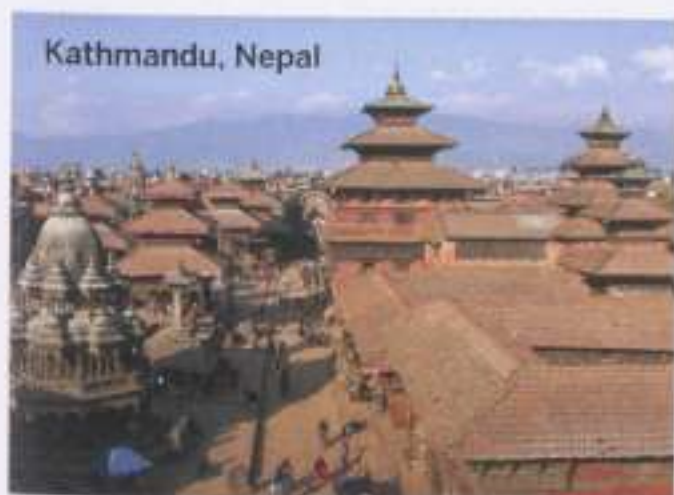
Bucknell hosts service trip to the Himalayan nation of Nepal.

By Matt Hughes

Students will explore ancient temples, track rhinos in mountain jungles and aid impoverished children during Bucknell's first-ever service trip to Nepal in January.

Led by Professor Coralynn Davis, women's and gender studies and anthropology, and students Ushma Manandhar '15 — herself Nepali — and Rishard Rheyas '15, Bucknell undergraduates are making stops at eight World Heritage Sites around Nepal's colorful capital, Kathmandu, and spending five days engaging in enrichment activities with poor rural children that support the ongoing work of a Nepali organization. They're also dining with a former Miss Nepal and making a three-day excursion to Chitwan National Park, home to endangered Bengal tigers and rhinoceroses, all in just under two weeks.

"Students will gain an appreciation for the rich cultural differences and deep human similarities between Nepali people and themselves," Davis says. "Our aim is for students to learn how thoughtful person-to-person cooperation across borders can result in a more just and humane world."



Kathmandu, Nepal



Jillian Korn '16 volunteers at the ER at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, Pa.

STUDENT PROFILE

Jillian Korn '16

When **Jillian Korn '16** was a toddler, her favorite television show was *Emergency Vets*. "I think I knew, even then, that I'd be interested in a career in medicine," she says.

Staying true to that dream, the biology major has put herself on the pre-med track and is training to be an emergency room volunteer at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville.

Helping hospitals is nothing new to Korn. In high school she volunteered at her local hospital, and in January 2013 she traveled to Nicaragua with the Bucknell Brigade to work in the health clinic at Nueva Vida.

Korn says the extreme poverty she witnessed in Nicaragua, much like the poverty she saw with her high school Spanish class on a trip to the Dominican Republic, inspired her to nominate the Bucknell Brigade for the 2012–13 True Hero service project competition. Thanks to her efforts, the Brigade won second place in the competition, which was sponsored by a public charity to reward community service. The \$2,000 prize will go toward the organization's \$40,000 yearly fundraising goal. (See "Short Stack" on p.8.)

On campus, Korn is a Junior Fellow for the Languages and Cultures Residential College. A seasoned traveler, Korn says she never gets tired of learning about other cultures, and with nearly half of her hall made up of international students, her living situation gives her plenty of opportunity. She adds that she's considering a minor in Latin American studies and a three-week summer program abroad as well.

When asked what type of doctor she hopes to become, Korn says she isn't sure yet but leans toward oncology. "When I was a kid, both my mom and grandmother were diagnosed with cancer," she says. "I guess that's what inspires me. Actually, they both inspire me in so many ways."

— Paula Harrison

Legacies

Gifts & Giving

All Together Now

Who takes pride in an outstanding year of support for Bucknell?

By Christina Masciere Wallace

We do. With gifts and pledges to the WE DO campaign exceeding \$300 million, the University has raised well over half of the half-a-billion-dollar goal. The Annual Fund, which benefits all current students, surpassed \$12 million in the first year since the campaign's public launch in October 2012.

"Bucknell reached a new record in giving for fiscal year 2013, and donor participation increased, even though the economy remains a concern," says Scott Rosevear, Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations. "Our supporters recognize Bucknell's

strength and are confident about its future. We are so grateful for the generosity of our alumni, parents and friends."

Since the campaign's private phase began in July 2007, gifts and commitments to Bucknell include

- More than \$98 million in new financial aid, which is helping to fund more than 300 new and existing scholarships;
- More than \$35 million to support 15 current and future academic positions and one coaching position;
- More than \$80 million in Annual Fund giving, including \$11 million in financial aid; and,
- More than \$87 million in endowed financial aid.

Tangible examples of campaign impact abound. In August, the University opened Academic West, Bucknell's first new academic building in nearly a decade. In November, it broke ground for four new residential halls slated to open in fall 2015. A few miles north of campus, the new Geisinger-Bucknell Center for Autism Studies has dramatically increased the availability of screening and medical services for individuals on the autism spectrum.

"We are extremely grateful for the generosity that makes these initiatives possible," says President John Bravman. "What has really impressed me is the genuine enthusiasm I see for WE DO, both on campus and across the country. The theme has transcended the campaign and become part of our institutional identity."

Over the past year, more than 1,200 Bucknellians have attended WE DO events in major cities, including San Francisco, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Boston and New York. Each features presentations by faculty and students



L to R: Dean of Arts and Sciences George Shields, Professors Mark Haussmann, Angèle Kingué and Joe Tranquillo.

and an array of interactive areas.

Alumni attendees have ranged from the Class of 1940 to the Class of 2013, with many reconnecting with Bucknell for the first time in years. Guest feedback tells the story: "The best part of the night was snap talks by faculty," commented a 2012 graduate. "They're provoking Bucknellians to explore and think outside the box and continually improving the education level at Bucknell."

An eight-minute snap talk by biology professor Mark Haussmann was well received at the WE DO event in New York. Haussmann, who studies the effect of stress on aging, emphasized student participation in scientific research at Bucknell.

"At many schools, undergraduates can be involved in one aspect of the scientific process. But at Bucknell, students are *doing* all aspects of science, which is amazing. They help design experiments, do their own research and analysis, write up papers and give presentations at national conferences."

WE DO also has sparked a surge in Bucknell volunteers, who have been critical to the success of campaign events and networking. They encourage classmates to make gifts or give in other ways — by hosting internships, sitting on career panels or serving as guest lecturers in classes. It's part of a new culture of engagement at Bucknell, says Rosevear.

"This campaign is about far more than donor commitments. It's about revitalizing a culture of pride and engagement in a way that keeps all Bucknellians excited and involved well beyond this campaign. Our WE DO tour introduces them to the accomplishments of today's students, faculty and staff in a way that makes them want to strengthen their connections with the University."

An alumnus from the Class of 1969 who attended the New York event put it succinctly: "I was blown away and very proud to be a Bucknellian."

For more information about the campaign and WE DO tour, please visit bucknell.edu/WeDo. 



Bucknell's student callers have become role models for other schools.

Rising to the Challenge – and Then Some

"\$100K IN A DAY" DRIVE NETS NEARLY \$900K.

It all started last spring with a challenge from a group of alumni: Raise \$100,000 for the Annual Fund in one day, and the alumni would match it with funding for scholarships and financial aid. To sweeten the offer, another alumnus offered a \$40,000 gift if 200 donors participated in the challenge, dubbed "\$100K in a Day."

The Annual Fund team launched the massive call to action on April 25, 2013, relying on student callers and social media to reach Bucknellians around the world. Donors responded quickly and met both the fundraising and participation goals by noon. The momentum spurred a new challenge from another group of donors, including President John Bravman and Professor Wendelin Wright, a parent and two more alumni. This group promised to give \$75,000 if a total of 500 donors made gifts by midnight.

Then, late in the afternoon, two trustees and another alum upped the ante yet again: If a total of 750 donors made gifts by the end of the day, they'd pledge an additional \$75,000.

That goal was met by mid-evening, but Bucknell's student callers were on fire. Working the phones to reach Bucknellians on the West Coast, enthusiastic students were determined to reach 1,000 gifts and pledges — and they succeeded.

When all was said and done, 1,168 donors made gifts and pledges totaling \$604,319. Add in the matching donations, and donors raised many times the initial goal, reaching a total of more than \$890,000.

"It was an incredible response," says Loni Kline, Director of the Annual Fund. "Bucknellians were so excited to participate, and the student callers had a blast. We are so grateful for the loyalty and generosity of all our donors, and the leadership of our match sponsors." The day was so successful that two dozen other colleges and universities contacted Kline to find out how Bucknell did it.

"The credit goes to Bucknellians," she says. "They love the University, they love a challenge and they love doing things together — and doing them well."

— Christina Masciere Wallace

Creative Collective

Arts & Culture

Dancing Across the Generations

Legacy Dance Concert brings alumni back to the Bucknell stage.

By Paula Harrison

“Dance is an experience,” says dance professor Kelly Knox, “that connects the generations as we pass our tradition and learned wisdom from body to body.”

The Bucknell dance tradition was honored on the stage of the Weis Center for the Performing Arts last April when the Department of Theatre and Dance presented the Spring 2013

Legacy Dance Concert. The concert, which commemorated decades of dance at Bucknell and was performed by students and 20 alumni dancers, culminated in a 12-minute piece,

“Blush,” set to the music of Johann Sebastian Bach and originally co-choreographed by the late Danna Frangione (1952–2002), founder of the dance program at Bucknell, and her successor, Professor of Dance Er-Dong Hu.

Kristy Kuhn '00 also contributed to the choreography of “Blush” for the occasion. “I was honored to be a part of the celebratory weekend as an alum and co-choreographer,” she says. “To share the studio and stage with 19 other dance alumni, from the class of 1990 through 2013, and blend my choreography with Er-Dong Hu and Danna Frangione’s is an experience I will always treasure.”

Because people traveled from a variety of locations to perform at the event, opening night was the first time all of the dancers were together in the same place at the same time. But, according to Knox, this only added to their excitement and anticipation. “The performance came together beautifully,” she says. “It was a testament to the talents, professionalism and dedication of the alumni.”

For Hu, who has taught dance at Bucknell for nearly 20 years, it was a powerful experience to see so many of his past students on stage and to know that — although they may be engineers, accountants, doctors or homemakers — they remain connected by this one thing: dance at Bucknell.

“To me,” says Hu, “that is simply beautiful.”



L to R: Beth Robinson '16, Christine Rossiello '13 and Anna Loveys '13 performed in the Legacy Dance Concert.

Drawing from Both Sides of the Brain

New arts minor encourages entrepreneurship.

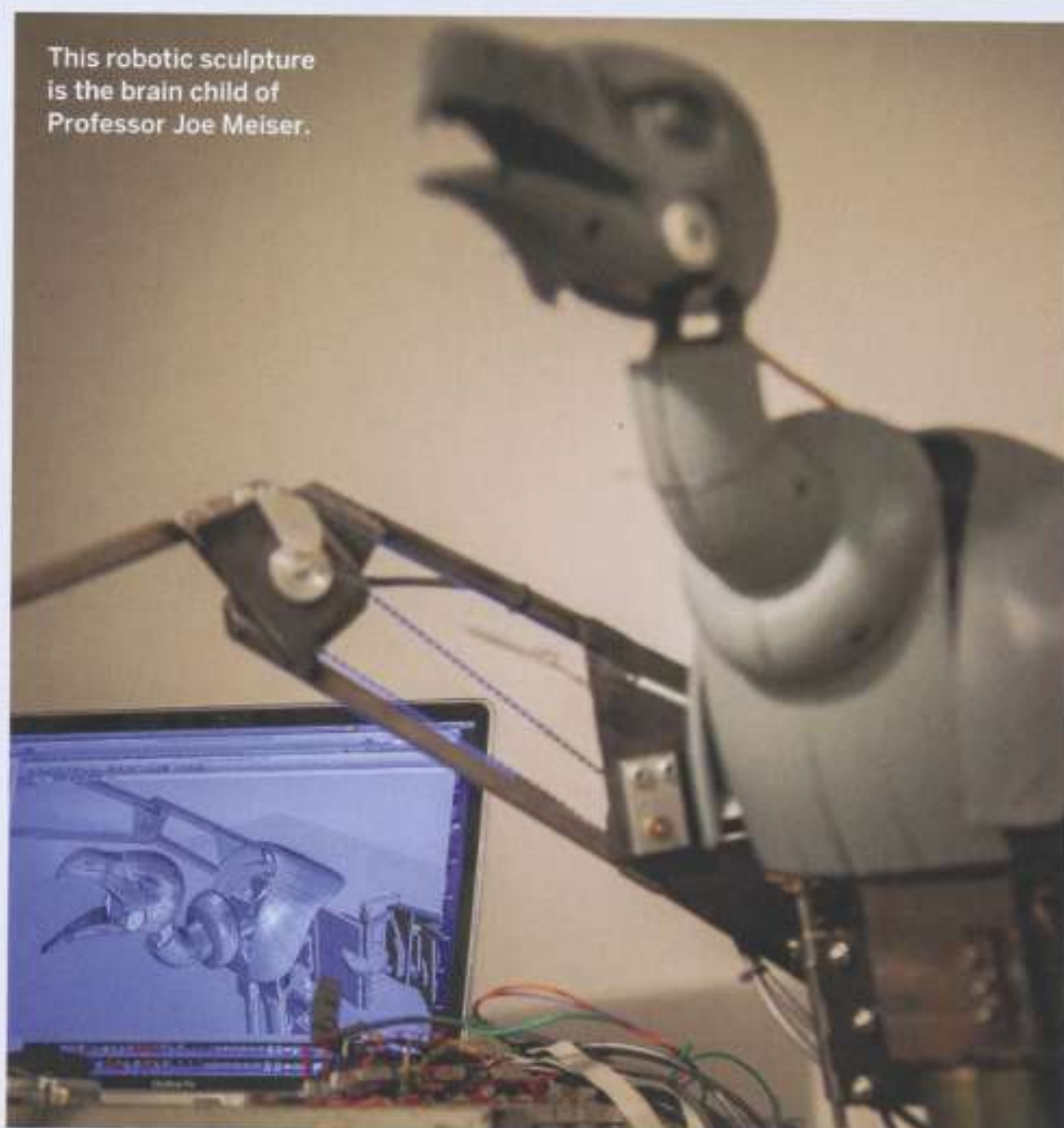
By Rebecca L. Willoughby

A new minor at Bucknell aims to help students explore a practical side of the arts: Arts Entrepreneurship. The program, developed and directed by the Bucknell Arts Council, offers an interdisciplinary perspective on artistic endeavors, as well as on promoting the work that artists produce.

"This is one of less than a dozen similar programs across the U.S.," says Professor of English Carmen Gillespie, the Bucknell arts coordinator. "Students self-define their roles as innovative practitioners and entrepreneurs in artistic enterprises."

Students pursuing the five-course minor may select classes from an array of departments, including management, finance and business, and arts disciplines. They must also complete an internship in the arts or arts management. The initial required course features guest lecturers with expertise in a variety of fields, and is designed to give students a solid foundation for a number of potential arts careers.

Cultivating creativity and business acumen.



Vulture Sculpture

FINE ART MEETS ENGINEERING AND ROBOTICS.

Explaining his decision to build an animated vulture, Professor Joe Meiser, art and art history, says, "I originally envisioned a doomsday cuckoo clock, a quirky machine I would rig myself. Then I met with Steve Shooter [professor of mechanical engineering], who suggested robotics would create a more reliable final product." Their meeting — by way of the Bucknell Innovation Group — opened the door to collaboration, fusing art, science, learning and the liberal arts tradition.

Meiser completed a computer model of the vulture's outer shell and passed on his design to mechanical engineering student **Eric Lynn '13, M'14**, whose interests brought him to Meiser's digital sculpture class. Lynn was selected to design the "mechatronics" — the gears and skeleton animating the robot. "I had digital dimensions but nothing with a real foundation to build on," says Lynn. "I'd never done anything this complex. It was daunting." With Shooter's supervision and the addition of electrical engineering student **Phil Diefenderfer '13, M'15**, Lynn developed the vulture's skeleton and actuation mechanisms, put them place and had it wired, programmed and tested.

This fall, mechanical engineering student **Christine Sorrentino '15** joined the team. She says, "We're on version 2.0, and my role is to provide failure analysis, determining which parts of the robot are least robust, or more likely to break down. I'm considering a career in theatrical animatronics, so working on this robot makes sense for me." Adds Diefenderfer, "The nice thing is, this project allows us to build on our strengths."

The team hopes to have the vulture finished by the end of the 2013–14 academic year. Shooter claims that completion isn't the only goal, and that undertakings like this highlight the interdisciplinary benefits of a strong engineering program at a liberal arts university. "Successful projects," says Shooter, "aren't possible without broad-minded students with interests and intrinsic motivation of their own."

— Terri Peterson

The Mind and the Muse

Reviews & Criticism

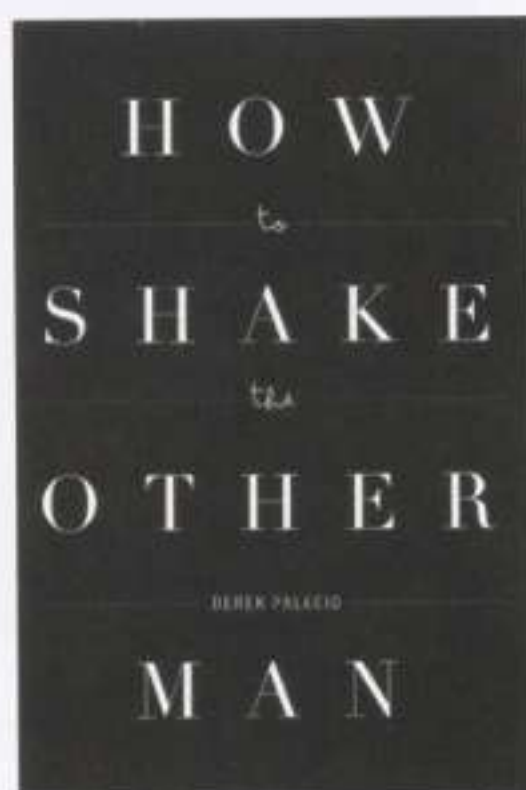
BOOKS

Derek Palacio

How to Shake the Other Man
(Nouvella)

In his novella, *How To Shake the Other Man*, English Professor Derek Palacio explores the problem of preventing the counter impulses of movement and steadiness from careening out of balance through the lives of two Cuban American brothers, Marcel and Oscar. Fleeing a toxic Miami convection of climate and troubled hearts, Marcel becomes a successful coffee cart entrepreneur in New York and entices Oscar to follow and manage a boxing school. As the story opens, Oscar is reluctantly coaching his brother's young lover, Javi, as both grapple with the recent street murder of Marcel. Palacio defies the physics of an economic form to create a fully realized world that is as lyrical as it is brutal, in which souls desperately seek that moment of knowing how and when to act.

Palacio also is the author of "Sugarcane," one of 20 short stories selected for the 2013 O. Henry Prize Collection (*Random House/Anchor Books*).



Alice Brewen
Acheson '58
*Everyday Book
Marketing*
(Ashland Creek Press)
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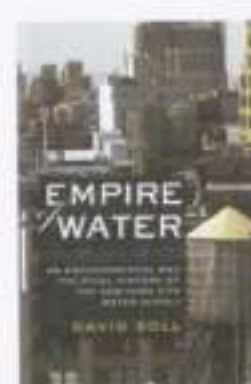
published in America each year, it is not enough to write a book anymore. Promoting it is essential, too. For many authors, especially those who are self-published or published by small presses, the marketing process is unfamiliar and formidable. Midge Raymond offers practical guidance to those writers in

Everyday Book Marketing, including advice solicited from colleagues such as **Alice Acheson**. An award-winning publicist who has seen several of her clients' titles make the bestseller lists, Acheson contributes a Q&A chapter on promotional strategies. She stresses the importance of writers educating themselves about all aspects of publishing to make the most of their limited resources. (See also p.7.)

David Soll '93

Empire of Water (Cornell University Press)
America's largest city requires water

for more than 8.3 million residents, 50 million annual tourists and countless



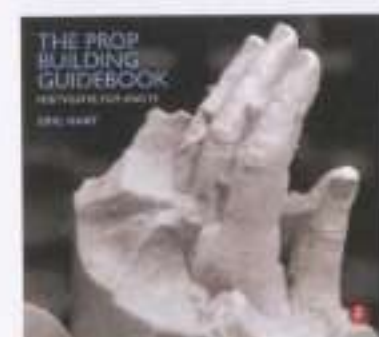
daily commuters. How New York meets this challenge while delivering high quality water is the topic of **David Soll's** engaging and meticulously researched history,

Empire of Water. It is a story of engineering design and political negotiation well over a century in the making, as the city outgrew its Croton River aqueduct in the 19th century and looked northward to the pristine Catskill Mountains. Soll recounts dramatic clashes between rural watershed communities and the metropolis, as well as the development of landmark legislation, including the Clean Water Act, water metering and the epic achievement of the Watershed Memorandum of Agreement signed with the EPA. Soll teaches in the Watershed Institute at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Eric Hart '01

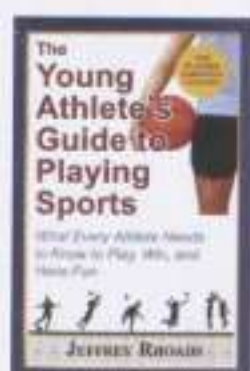
The Prop Building Guidebook for Theatre, Film and TV (Focal Press)

Since graduating as a theatre major with an emphasis on set design, **Eric Hart** has earned a national reputation as a prop master, working on major stage and screen projects and maintaining



the popular *Prop Agenda* blog at props.eric-hart.com. He has recently written the definitive

reference for his industry that is being hailed for its clarity and breadth, *The Prop Building Guidebook*. Hart identifies the different categories of custom set items that are not actors, costumes or scenery, and covers in depth the equipment, materials, techniques and safety considerations necessary for fashioning items ranging from horror film body parts to a woodland set's trees. Hart's profession requires more than creativity; in addition to heavy equipment operating licenses and OSHA and CPR certifications, he holds an NYPD permit for stage firearms. Propbuildingguidebook.com, the companion website, offers career advice and instructional videos.



Jeffrey Rhoads '75
The Young Athlete's Guide to Playing Sports (Avaplay Press)

Forget about building the résumé; the chief reason kids should

play sports is because they enjoy them. Unfortunately, a lack of intellectual, physical and emotional readiness can interfere with an experience that should impart competence and community. To make sure they make the most of an opportunity, **Jeff Rhoads**, a youth sports coach for more than 25 years, has written a manual for students age 13 and up, *The Young Athlete's Guide to Playing Sports*. Comprehensive, honest and lucid, the book tackles beginners and advanced players' concerns. He offers advice about how to improve physical skills and mental acuity, deflect negativity and keep the nature of competition in perspective. Parents will want to read this along with their children.



Lisa McComsey '81
The Vegan Cheat Sheet (Perigree/Penguin Group)

In 2009, the McComsey clan, including Ed '52 and daughter Lisa, started a fitness challenge, with a \$400 prize. Lisa wanted to improve her cholesterol levels and prepare for

marathon races, and her chief strategy was going vegan, consuming plant-based foods only. She won the contest without feeling deprived. The *Allure* magazine copy director and athlete remained a vegan, and with her friend and mentor Amy Cramer has published *The Vegan Cheat Sheet*, a reference and cookbook for beginners. They provide tips for negotiating restaurant menus and planning meals. Amy's hundred plus "idiot-proof" recipes include vodka cream sauce for pasta, mac and cheese, pad Thai and chocolate chip biscotti. They ably demonstrate that "going vegan" is doable and not weird, punishing or labor-intensive.

Peter G. Engler '66

New and Improved! (Grantham Press)

Madison Avenue meets, or more accurately, collides with Pennsylvania Avenue in **Peter Engler's** debut thriller,



New and Improved!

Ad executive and distinguished Vietnam War Navy fighter pilot Ben Coleman must draw on all of his life experiences when

President Brad Rogers summons him to Washington to work on his re-election bid in the summer of 1992. Coleman's first impression is that the political stratosphere is a zoo of ambition. His second is that it is very dangerous, as the president and his entourage are attacked at an event in Vermont. It takes outsider Coleman to intuit and thwart an international threat originating out of the Cold War past. Engler doses his fiction with real-world events and role models out of his own advertising and combat pilot careers to good effect.



Paul Landes '72

Latitude 87.7 (Hunter and Gatherer Publishing)

Alex Boudreau promises to quit the black-ops way of life, but it is not easy. In

Paul Landes' first thriller, *Wings to Redemption*, Boudreau saved and became involved with philanthropist and adventurer Benjamin Hunter, who went mysteriously missing at the end of that book. In the series follow-up, *Latitude 87.7*, she learns Hunter is the target of covert intelligence agencies that believe he holds the key to biological weaponry. The race to protect Hunter and world leaders is on, taking Boudreau from California to Africa to Antarctica and places in between. This follow-up is as packed with reversals and suspense as its predecessor, and ends provocatively with the suggestion of more adventure to come. **Nancy Roberts '72** again served as editor.

Robb Cadigan '86

Phoenixville Rising (Rodgers Forge Press)



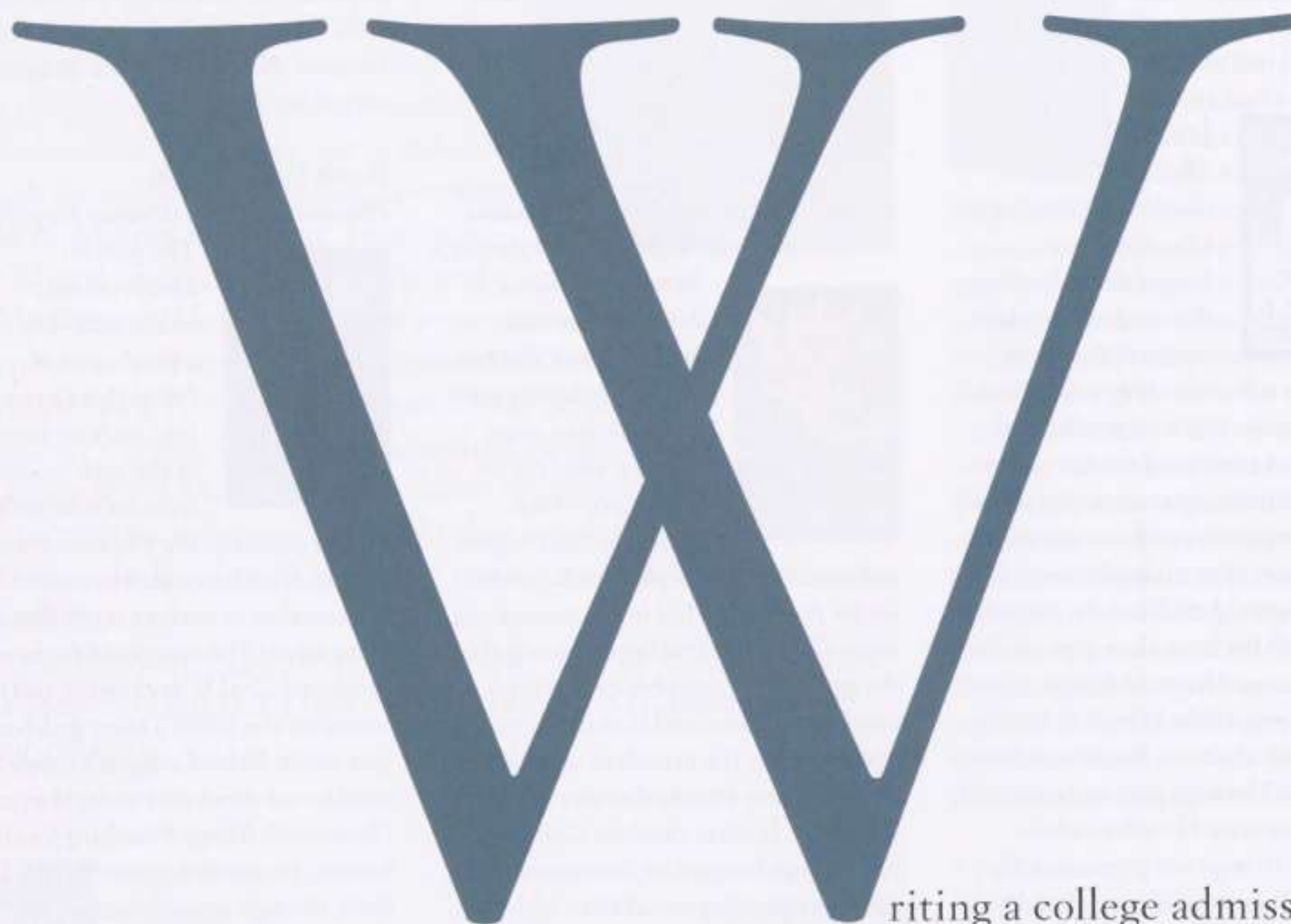
The past is always present in Phoenixville, a southeastern Pennsylvania town that took its name in the 19th century from its now defunct

anchor industry, the Phoenix Iron Works, which in turn was named for the creature of ancient myth that rises from ashes. The renowned furnace that produced Civil War cannons and the struts for the Eiffel Tower grabbed at area native **Robb Cadigan's** imagination until he sat down and wrote the novel, *Phoenixville Rising*. Plumbing local history, his narrative travels back and forth through generations whose destinies were forged in and at times consumed by the fire. Cadigan, who has worked in advertising and television, fuses the conventions of tragedy, romance, historical fiction and contemporary realism with unusual sensitivity.

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WRITE of PASSAGE

The personal essay reflects writing skills but often reveals more.



Writing a college admissions essay is a daunting task. Students must write well, often about themselves, and address a judgmental audience of application readers. The following essays by members of the Class of 2017 do that and more. In their own voices, these students share personal stories, highlighting the experiences that have shaped them. From the walls of a small bedroom to a perspective shift influenced by literature, their lenses vary, but the authenticity of each voice is clear.

BY ROBERT G. SPRINGALL • ILLUSTRATION BY DAVE PHILLIPS



WHEREVER I GO

By
Jack Robinson '17

I'm sure if I went back there today, I could reach out my arms and graze my fingertips on both sides. It was barely enough for a twin bed and a dresser, but plenty of room for a little kid with a carefree attitude. The radiator next to my bed always provided the perfect amount of heat during the winter months. I can still hear the Christmas wreath outside my window, needles scraping the panes, reminding me of the holiday season. I used colored construction paper to make Christmas streamers that outlined my small bedroom. My mom's homemade curtains with blue-and-white fish that draped the windows matched my favorite blanket. I had a small chalkboard that always had a list of things I needed to do, and a sign I made outside my door that incorrectly said, "Knock frist." It was truly my favorite place to be.

I gained a lot of insight, looking at the world from such a tiny space. It was from this room that I heard my parents in the hallway, talking about how my cousin Megan died in a car crash, learning about the void you endure when loved ones pass away. It was where I learned the value of a dollar, saving up money from chores to buy my first iPod. It was from my room that I watched my dad start his own business right down the hall. I admired his entrepreneurial spirit and the excitement of his efforts to make his own path. I could see it was not easy, and I was constantly taught that nothing worthwhile ever is. While uncertainty carries with it a measure of fear, it also carries possibilities of new beginnings.

Eventually we moved to a bigger house — the house where my mother grew up — to care for my grandma. I carried with me the comfort of that little room and the

knowledge with it. The fish curtains were replaced with blinds; the radiator, with central heating. My new bedroom doubled the size of my previous room. And while I still try my best to treat it as the same refuge I had before, it will never have the same character and value in my life.

A small bedroom is a cozy room. It stays the warmest at night, and provides all of the comfort you need when you want to relax under the sheets and read a good book. It is the easiest to paint when you want your walls to be your favorite color, blue, and it's the easiest to clean. If my old walls could talk, they would share what makes a house a home. They would tell jokes, shed tears, motivate, teach. And while I left behind the comfort of my little home, my insight on life carries on wherever I go, to whatever walls I'm surrounded by. ✨



A STRANGER IN THE HOMELAND

By Tamara Hijazi '17

Born and raised in Illinois, I moved to my parents' homeland, Palestine, at the age of 10. Hearing Arabic for the first time, not knowing what the famous falafel was and learning that shekels were in fact not equal to dollars were constant reminders that I was a foreigner in my own homeland. I sought different ways to express what I was feeling in this unfamiliar country — violin, Arabic dance and art — but none of these provided the right outlet.

Palestine was my home, but it was also a stranger. I was lost in its alleyways of communication. I could not voice my opinions to the two men arguing about the economy in my cousin's coffee shop or talk to the 17-year-old rebel who had just been released from jail the night before. I wanted to find my voice in Palestine, a voice I could use to show people the true Palestine they did not see on TV. One day, I confessed this to my mother. In response, she scavenged out an old film camera and handed it to me.

My mother took me to Al-Zahra Street in Jerusalem, asked me what I loved about Jerusalem, and told me to reply in Arabic. I said I could not, and she told me to find an alternate way to answer. I found one with the camera in my hand. As I walked to Al-Zahra Street, I photographed an old woman selling bread to a farmer, Palestinians sliding through checkpoints in front of Al-Aqsa mosque, schoolboys playing soccer in an empty lot.

I no longer felt lost within language. I no longer felt lost within my homeland. Now I could articulate what I felt about Palestine in my own way. Photography became more than a hobby; it became a way to extract essence from the misunderstood reality I was a part of — the simple, innocent parts of Palestinian everyday life. Photography became my language. I want to show people that cultural differences are not actually barriers, but opportunities to understand the world from more than one perspective. ✦

IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

By Allison Ward '17

One of the things I most enjoyed about my first three years of high school actually occurred each day before school. At 6:57 a.m., my mom and I embarked on our daily drive to the bus stop. We fine-tuned the logistics to a near science. If we left at 6:58, we had a two-minute grace period to get to the bus before it departed at 7:10. Some days, we found ourselves leaving at 7, allowing no margin for error and requiring my mom, whimpering as she looked at the car clock, to do a Danica Patrick imitation through the winding streets of Wellesley.

We developed an established morning routine: I brought my breakfast on a paper plate, Mom (wearing what she calls "carpool attire," but others would call "pajamas") brought her coffee in an orange polka-dotted travel mug, and I turned on NPR's *Morning Edition*. We rode in silence for the first five minutes, listening to the day's headlines.

Around the halfway point we came to life, often focusing on a story we had just heard. Sometimes, we spent our five minutes discussing my upcoming day, with my mom providing gentle (and not so gentle) reminders about logistics or words of encouragement before an important test or big game. We even gossiped on occasion. I came to treasure that early morning drive: the freshness of the morning brought a clean slate to our relationship, and we looked optimistically ahead, no matter what had happened the prior day. I realize now that by the time I leaped out of the car, I had already enjoyed 10 of the best minutes a day could bring.

As I begin my senior year, that nurturing routine has been replaced by a new, exciting and slightly daunting one. With my sister Caroline as an incoming freshman, and me now

a licensed driver, I am responsible for driving the two of us to school. Signs of paradigm shift are everywhere: 7:10 has become the new 6:58, and I'm the one whimpering as that deadline approaches; my Dunkin' Donuts iced coffee sits where my mom's polka-dotted travel mug used to rest; and construction zones and aggressive commuters on I-95 have replaced the winding roads we traveled to the bus stop. To be sure, we have already experienced some logistical hiccups that resemble my "Adventures with Mom" — like having to eject Caroline at the front of the main building to keep her on time for assembly on one particularly horrific commuting day.

I also see other, more meaningful parallels with my former routine. Given our three-year age difference, I have not been in the same school with Caroline since fifth grade. Although I might not admit it to her, I am eagerly anticipating discussing classes, teachers, sports and high school life in general with Caroline during our daily drives. A few weeks ago, she sat nervously in the passenger seat trying to distinguish compound from complex sentences for a quiz. Another day, when she was musing about the talk she is required to give in front of the entire freshman class, I tactfully dissuaded her from choosing a questionable topic relating to housecats. We also deal with important issues of the day, such as wardrobe-sharing transactions and unreasonable parental requests. I have come to realize that the privileges and rewards of sitting in the driver's seat can more than compensate for its burdens and responsibilities. Although I treasure my days riding with Mom, I am thrilled finally to be in control of my own journey, and hope I can make the trip as smooth and enjoyable for my passenger as my mom did for me. ✦



TO CHINA AND BACK

By Emma Benson-Xu '17

I am ketchup on rice. Ketchup, the all-American condiment. Born and raised in our nation's capital, I am my mother's freckles splattered delicately across my face. I am football Sundays, cheeseburgers and fries, and as American as apple pie. I am also rice, the foundation of every Chinese meal. I am the walls of the Forbidden City, fireworks on Chinese New Year and a strong sense of family.

Spring break 2012 started with a 21-hour flight to Shanghai for a cousin's wedding. Two dozen people packed my aunt's small apartment. Everyone rushed around bumping into one another trying to get the best shot of the bride as sounds of dialects, unrecognizable to me, resonated off the walls, engulfing the room so no corner was left quiet. The ceremony took place in both family homes, with the entourage of wedding guests, including myself — the only American-looking girl, and the only one wearing a traditional Chinese dress — closely following behind until finally, after seven hours of nonstop commotion, the elaborate dinner commenced. The dinner tables in the restaurant boomed with loud voices, clanking chopsticks and the constant sound of spinning lazy Susans towering with dishes. Even when the long night came to a close, and the old Asian grandmothers tried desperately to get their kin to eat one last bite of the succulent beef chops so as to not waste an ounce, or the small children fell asleep, the familial love and warmth that filled the room seemed it could last an eternity.

Another 21-hour flight brought me back to America, to what I usually call my home. But the notion of home for me

at this point is a funny thing. With every plane landing, a feeling of dissatisfaction washes over me. I'm mostly disappointed that I have to leave everything in China to come back to a country that is so opposite and where I initially feel out of place. But soon the recognizable sounds of English stream back into everyday life effortlessly and the feeling of being disconnected disappears. China recedes; America rises to the surface of my consciousness.

In either place, crafting my favorite snack is easy: squeeze the vibrant red ketchup in zigzags until it covers a bowl-sized mountain of white rice. Unfortunately, though, my cultural dynamic isn't always easy to resolve as concocting the perfect balance of ketchup to rice. There's no way to put both cultures perfectly in sync. My kitchen here will never feel like the bustling restaurants in China. The language in China, free flowing and forever a challenge for me to speak fluently, will never feel like English, comforting to hear and easily understood. The dichotomy of cultures I have experienced growing up has been confusing. One part of me is bolted down in temples of Shanghai, and the other part is rooted in the monuments of D.C. No single place feels like a true home. But I like that. Knowing there are two homes for me with families full of love makes the dichotomy reassuring, rather than overwhelming. I am split right down the middle. This split is even evident in my last name. "Benson" brings the American flavor to the traditional Chinese culture that "Xu" holds so sacredly. I am the curves of my father's eyes, the waviness of my mother's hair, the one who layers ketchup on top of rice. •

SOWING SEEDS OF PEACE

By Emma Shimony '17

At times, I feel I was born to help the world around me. My mother manages a nonprofit, and my father is a cardiologist. Even as a 3-year-old, I painted walls at the Jewish Community Center and from that moment on, I was hooked on community service.

I believe it is a moral duty to help anyone I can. To most of my friends and peers, I'm considered the student-body therapist: there is rarely a social situation in my school community I can't fix. Which is why, when I attended a camp called Seeds of Peace (SoP) last summer, I was shocked to confront a situation that challenged my values and belief system, and made me question my place in my family and the world.

The goal of SoP is to bring kids from countries such as Israel and Palestine to experience American summer camp while discussing conflict resolution for their areas. I was there to help. However, I realized how helpless I was when my best friend at camp, a 15-year-old boy from Gaza named Omar, told his story. In 2008, the Israeli Army bombed Omar's house. His father was hospitalized for seven months, and his neighbors were killed.

All of my father's family has served in the Israeli Army, relatives I know and love. My entire life, I've heard only one side of this conflict. Even writing this, I am conscious of what my father will think. I don't want to hurt him or his family, because I know they have suffered from this conflict as well. But at SoP, I learned there was another side.

Toward the end of camp, I became distraught. I was going back to my comfortable life, and Omar was going back to Gaza, where he said he was never sure he'd wake up in the morning. Oddly, though, he was the one to offer reassurance; he told me that the simple fact of me attending Seeds of Peace meant more to him than he could express.

The last day of camp, Omar gave me a bracelet beaded in the pattern of the Palestinian flag. I wear it proudly with my Star of David necklace. While the bracelet has garnered some negative comments from strangers and family members, I have no plans to remove it. I now have my feet planted firmly in two worlds: the world I inherited with its old conflicts and assumptions and the new world I hope people like Omar and I can create. To be sure, there are real grievances on both sides. I don't pretend to have all the solutions, but understanding and knowing the people directly involved has changed my ideas about what is possible for the future. ✱



LEARNING BY FORGETTING

By Zoe Ettinger '17

“I give it to you not that you may remember time, but that you might forget it now and then for a moment and not spend all your breath trying to conquer it.

Because no battle is ever won he said. They are not even fought. The field only reveals to man his own folly and despair, and victory is an illusion of philosophers and fools.”

— William Faulkner, *The Sound and the Fury*

One two three.

One two three four.

One two.

Sitting at the piano, I repeated these three sentences in my head for over an hour. I was attempting to play “Deux Arabesques” by Claude Debussy, my favorite composer. I had heard the piece over 100 times, and I fell in love with the gentle crescendos, decompressing ritardandos and the emotion that exuded from each and every bar, sublimating from dimension, transforming into something that could not be contained or defined. The piece was aural perfection.

In music, timing is everything. Without it, the artistry and creative nature of the piece are lost, floating aimlessly in an ocean, a ship that has collapsed into a pile of driftwood. Attempting the piece, I was drowning, trying desperately to grasp onto something that seemed to inevitably slip through my fingers. Like so many things in my life, I wanted to control the rhythm of the piece, to transform it into something it was not.

As my piano teacher has often reminded me, one cannot control time. It cannot be molded to fit our desires. It exists whether we want it to or not. Though we must follow the rules of time, we must also learn to forget it, to transcend its control and reach a place where we are cognizant of its existence, yet not restricted by it. Time should reign as an enlightened monarch, where defiance is blasphemy, yet creativity is still possible.

Faulkner's words finally shifted my thinking. Reading the work, I was reminded of the temporal challenges I faced in music through the character Quentin. Like me, Quentin desperately tried to control time. He wanted to change it, rearrange it into a place he had mentally deemed as correct. Realizing his absurdity shed light on my own.

Yet again, I sat down in front of those black and white keys, and slid my fingers atop them. Heeding words of Quentin's father, I simultaneously remembered and forgot time. As I began to play, I finally let myself give in to the rhythm of the piece. Though it took a while, after I mastered the timing, my artistry was freed — a prisoner walking outside for the first time. Time was never constricting me; it was guiding me. I just had to let it. ✱

Relieving Rivera

Matt Daley '04 has an extraordinary night at Yankee Stadium.

Two perfect innings on the final day of the regular season at Houston brought **Matt Daley '04** his first victory in the American League. It was a satisfying end to an unexpectedly joyful September, but nowhere near as thrilling as his three-pitch outing three days earlier at Yankee Stadium.

That's when Daley relieved legendary New York Yankees closer Mariano Rivera after longtime teammates Derek Jeter and Andy Pettitte stunned Rivera by telling him he was coming out of what proved to be his final game.

"That is something I will remember until the day I die. I'll be telling that story for a long, long time," says Daley.

Rather than go to the mound himself, manager Joe Girardi sent Jeter and Pettitte to take out Rivera in the ninth inning.

"When I saw them coming out, I made sure I waited in the bullpen for Mariano to walk off the mound, because I knew it was going to be a little while," Daley says. "I didn't want to be that guy who's running in while they were doing their thing on the mound."

An emotional Rivera hugged Pettitte and cried on his shoulder before heading toward the dugout.

Somebody had to relieve Rivera. Daley, 31, was an unlikely somebody. His career has defied long odds. All 30 major league teams bypassed Daley in the 2004 draft after his senior season at Bucknell. He signed with the Colorado Rockies as a free agent, slogged through five minor league seasons and had started a sixth before reaching the big leagues in April 2009. His one National League win came with the Rockies that

season. Shoulder soreness began in 2010, ultimately resulting in Daley undergoing shoulder surgery in August 2011.

He signed with the Yankees as a minor league free agent and missed the entire 2012 season while rehabilitating his shoulder.

In 2013, Daley pitched in 44 games in the minor leagues, the final 30 very effectively at Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, the Yankees' Triple-A farm club. When the minor league season ended Sept. 2, Daley went home to Hoboken, N.J., assuming he had thrown his final pitch in 2013. Four days later, the Yankees summoned Daley. He made the 25-minute trip to the South Bronx and that night made his debut at Yankee Stadium.

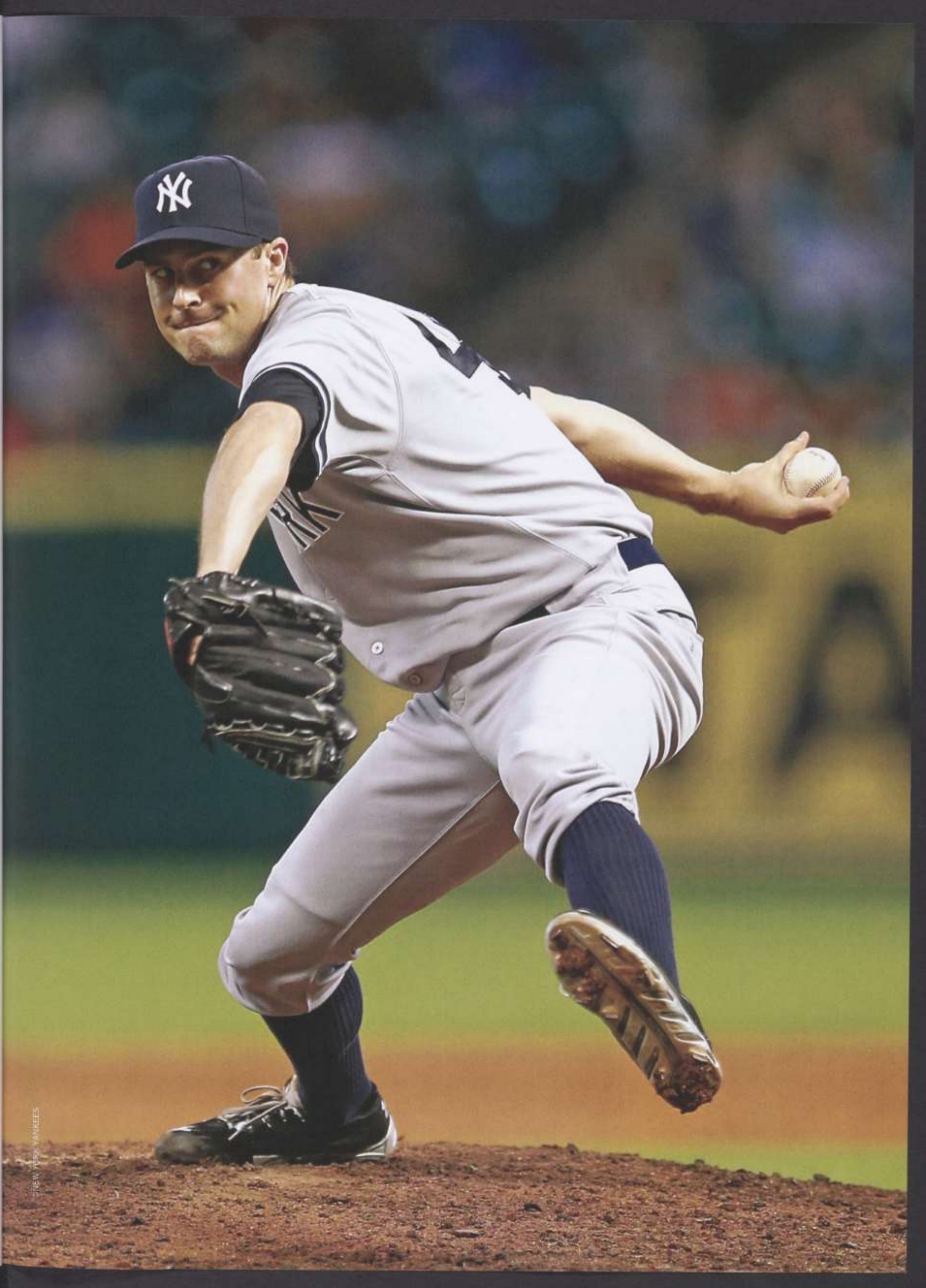
Daley pitched six scoreless innings in seven games for the Yankees. He allowed two hits and no walks with eight strikeouts, one after relieving Rivera. Daley threw three pitches — fastball, curveball, fastball — to Ben Zobrist of Tampa Bay and struck him out swinging to end the ninth.

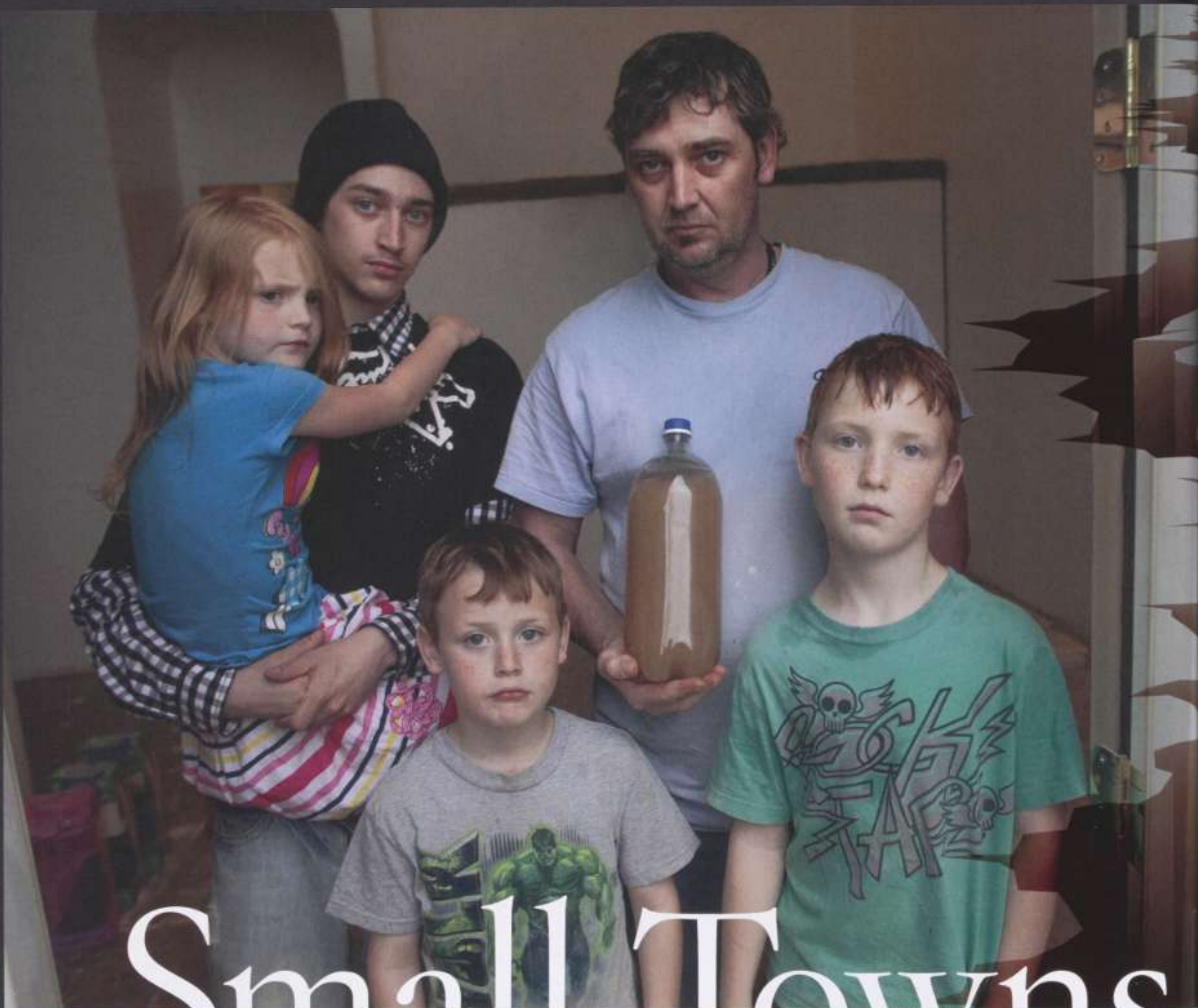
When Daley entered the dugout, he saw Rivera sitting there. "He was taking it all in," Daley says. "So I went up to him, and I just said, 'I know you've had a lot of amazing experiences on the baseball field, but I just want you to know that for me, this is the most amazing experience I've ever had being a part of baseball. I want to thank you for allowing me to be part of it.' He just had a big smile on his face and told me, 'Good job.'"

Daley took more than a lasting memory from that game. He has a keepsake, the ball he used to throw three pitches, the one he asked Rivera to sign. 

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- By Jack Etkin -





Small Towns,

Bucknell researchers take an up-close look at natural gas drilling in Pennsylvania communities.

Sept. 30, 2010, was a historic day for Dimock, Pa., a rural hamlet of scattered farmhouses, one traffic light and a handful of natural gas wells at the heart of the national debate over hydraulic fracturing. The whole town, it seemed, had packed into a small Baptist church to hear then-Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Secretary John Hanger announce a landmark decision bringing the hammer down on extraction company Cabot Oil and Gas. DEP held Cabot responsible for contaminating nearby drinking water wells with methane, and that afternoon demanded that the

company finance a \$12-million pipeline to provide public water to the 18 affected households.

Hanger's order was challenged in court almost immediately and ultimately rescinded under the current administration, but to me (then an energy reporter for the *Wilkes-Barre Times Leader*), and undoubtedly to many of those who filled the room with a swell of applause, the announcement felt like history unfolding before our eyes. Flanking the walls that damp and cold afternoon were reporters from dozens of local and national media outlets; filmmaker Josh Fox, whose documentary *Gasland* made the town a paradigm of the dangers of unconventional gas extraction; and three classes



Big Industry

By Matt Hughes

of Bucknell students, there to observe history in action.

"It was a great moment for students to see how regulators work, how they deal with these instances," says Professor Amanda Wooden, environmental studies, who organized the trip. "Then to see company representatives talking to people, holding their own mini-press conference; to see how an activist working in the area fed off of that; to see how journalists communicated about it. It was a really great lesson in how all of this plays out in a small town."

David Manthos '11 was one of those students. Manthos works for SkyTruth, a West Virginia-based nonprofit that documents changes wreaked on the environment by resource

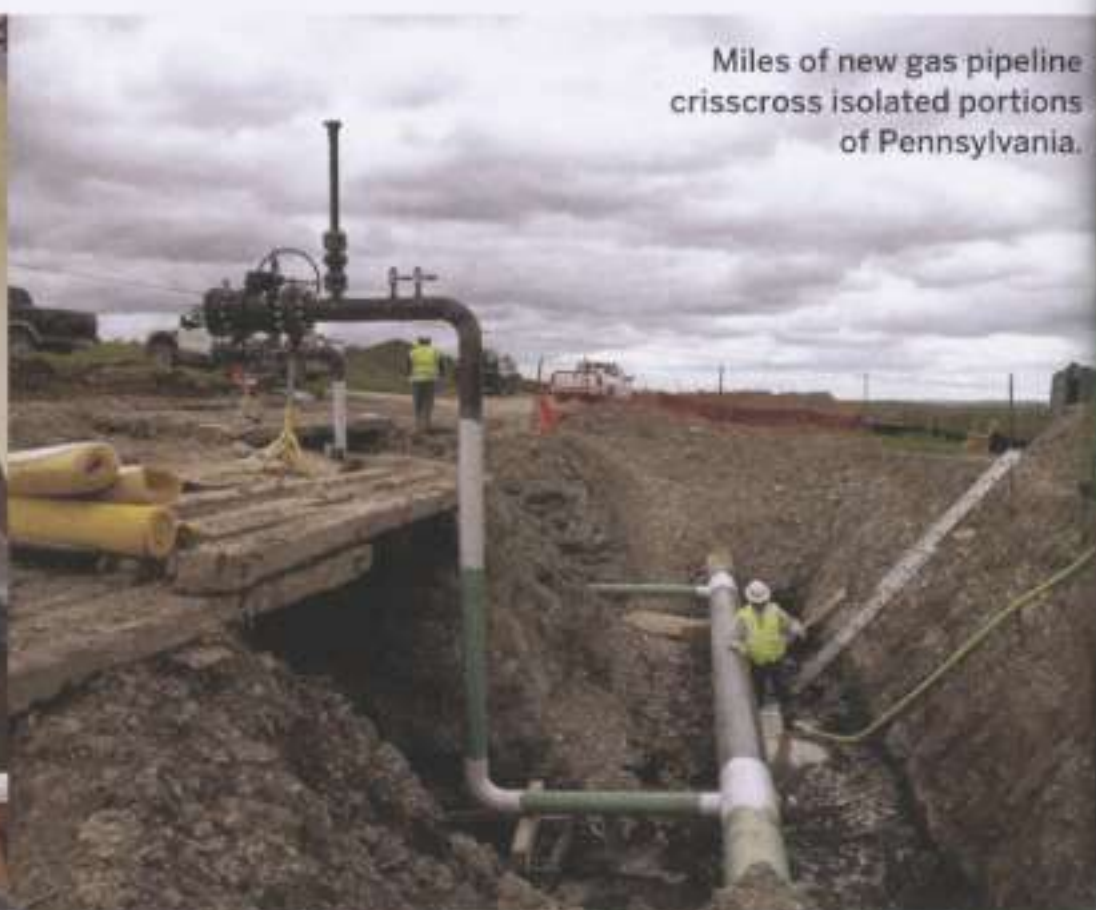
extraction with satellite and aerial photography. He remembers that day as a "pivotal moment" in his life, in which he could feel the impact of gas drilling on a small-town community.

"Certainly there's a lot of nuance to the claims on either side, but to see that level of intensity and how it was changing a community, not just the landscape, was fascinating," he says.

The tale of natural gas drilling in Pennsylvania is one of small towns and an industry that in every way seems larger than life. Rigs tower above the surrounding landscape; pipeline easements slash over once-pristine forested mountaintops, cutting through miles in a matter of months; and at the height of the drilling boom, hundreds of water-laden trucks



Former DEP Secretary John Hanger reads an order against Cabot Oil and Gas in a Dimock, Pa., church.



Miles of new gas pipeline crisscross isolated portions of Pennsylvania.

created 30-minute delays to cross a bridge in Towanda, population: 2,919. But massive as they may be, those impacts also are multifaceted and often perceived differently in different places.

Rural sociologist **Brandn Green '03**, director of Bucknell's Place Studies Initiative, is intrigued by the ways Marcellus drilling impacts communities and says the issues can't be oversimplified. "Trying to say this is good or bad for everyone, or 'Ah, those poor people in Bradford County,'" he says, "just isn't true."

Even the narrative of Dimock, the town where the gas industry most clearly got it wrong, is more nuanced than that of an idyllic community crushed by evil fossil-fuels companies, though many have portrayed it that way. As a keen observer of the Dimock story once pointed out to me, there is a marked difference between the rallying cries of "Clean water for Dimock" and "Ban all fracking now."

Wooden brought her students to Dimock that day not to join the aggravated townspeople and anti-fracking activists in either of those cries, but to observe and interview those individuals in hopes of better understanding the personal reasons they raised their voices in the first place, as well as the ways they viewed their community, the gas industry and themselves. And to do that, they needed to be there, and they needed to listen.

Bucknell's location at the epicenter of the Marcellus Shale in Pennsylvania affords convenient access to places like the Dimock Baptist Church, and several researchers at the University are using those opportunities to understand the consequences of natural gas drilling on individual communities.

"Bucknell has been in and around a lot of the communities that have been affected. We have connections," says Professor

Carl Milofsky, sociology. "We're the only people who are perfectly situated to do it."

Milofsky works with Green and management professor Jordi Comas to study the varied responses of two demographically similar communities to construction proposals for hydraulic fracturing wastewater treatment plants within their municipal borders. One community organized in protest to block the plant's construction, while the other raised essentially no objection and viewed the project with ambivalence, or as a positive economic development. The researchers want to know why.

"There are always going to be disruptions — something else that's new, that shifts all the pieces around," Green says. "We have an opportunity to understand how that happens with this particular issue, and maybe those lessons are transferrable, and useful to communities in other places at other times."

One theory the Bucknell researchers developed has to do with the presence and visibility of nonprofits and other organizations within a municipality that can help provide a sense of community. Individuals who possess a stronger sense of community will feel more empowered to effect change at the local level.

Professor Alf Siewers, English, believes that Bucknell is playing a role in building that sense of community by empowering townspeople to make their own, collective decisions. In 2011, Siewers led students in an oral history project to document how residents living near Wellsboro and Dimock felt impacted by gas drilling. "The polemics about fracking and gas drilling, on all sides, tend to work against narrative in terms of giving people in communities their own voice to tell their stories," he says. "The work the students



Sherry Vargson ignites methane spurting from her faucet in Granville Summit, Pa.

did showed a way to involve universities in helping people tell their stories to a larger public, and to themselves."

Siewers says the narratives compiled by student researchers, which they supplemented with sound, video, mapping and photography, "connect the dots" between industry, communities and individuals by providing a complete picture of the industry's influence in specific areas.

"It helps present the whole natural gas phenomenon as it's woven into the stories of people's lives," Siewers says. "It presents the complexities of the situation in a way that's perhaps more digestible because it involves narratives."

For as long as a town exists, its story will never end, but the volume of Dimock's tale declined from a 2010 roar to a more moderate tone in 2014. Though a public water line was never built, in 2012 Cabot settled for an undisclosed sum with 32 of 36 plaintiffs in a lawsuit over contaminated water. The residents said through a spokeswoman that they were relieved to put the incident behind them. A few have continued to press on in a larger fight against unconventional gas drilling. Meanwhile, the gas wells around Dimock remain among the most productive in Pennsylvania.

There are dozens of Dimocks in Pennsylvania and other states that the Marcellus Shale underlies. As its development marches through the gas-field regions, communities will continue to feel its impacts, positive and negative, in their own ways. And Bucknell will be here to watch, study and listen. **B**

Researching Marcellus Shale Drilling and Its After-Effects

Debate over Marcellus Shale drilling generally pits the risk of environmental and public health impacts against the potential for economic gain. While some Bucknell researchers have focused on less-explored aspects of this new industry, others are tackling these broader impacts as well.

CARL KIRBY, *geology*



Carl Kirby directs the Marcellus Shale Initiative and its Publications Database (bucknell.edu/script/environmentalcenter/marcellus), an online databank to help community members obtain reliable information about gas drilling. The database allows users to search and locate scholarly articles that the initiative has vetted for accuracy of data and research methodology. "Reports from the government or industry or advocacy groups will vary tremendously in terms of how valuable the information is and how it's presented," Kirby says.

Kirby also has a research interest in the chemistry of flowback water produced by hydraulic fracturing.

KEVIN GILMORE, *civil and environmental engineering*



While critics of natural gas drilling frequently decry the chemicals added to the water injected during hydraulic fracturing, Kevin Gilmore is most interested in the flowback water that returns to the surface after a well has been fractured. Gilmore says this water, which can contain up to 10 times as much salt as seawater, has not been well characterized. He is working with Kirby to improve that characterization. Funded by the Pennsylvania Water Resources Research Institute, Gilmore has evaluated membrane separations as a method of removing salt and other dissolved solids from flowback water using membranes. While the method was effective, he found it wasn't economical. Gilmore says the study highlights the new challenges natural gas drilling has posed in Pennsylvania.

"We're not just working with conventional pollutants any more," Gilmore says. "We're working with novel contaminants that require new solutions."

NANCY WHITE, *economics*

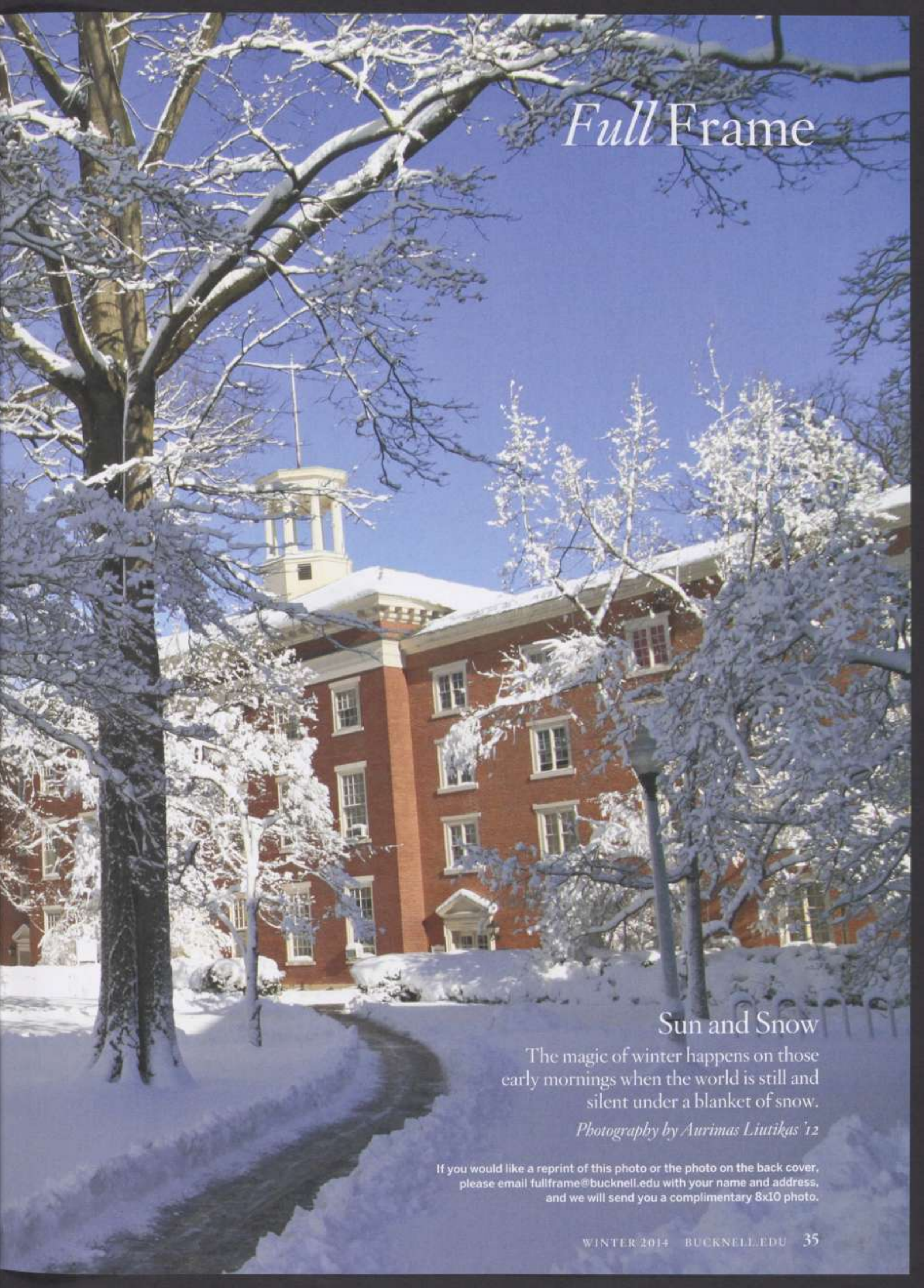


Nancy White is skeptical of some astronomical "economic impact" numbers stemming from industry-funded research that used outdated methodology. She suspects the industry's real economic effect, though significant, is smaller and more complicated.

"Fracking can create some jobs, but it can also destroy some jobs," White says. "Nobody ever talks about that."

White, who hosted a 2012 conference at Bucknell and edited an economics journal issue about shale-gas economics, is preparing to embark on her own study of how states with viable gas reserves can best mitigate the bust that often follows a natural resource boom. White hypothesizes the answer may lie in using extraction tax revenues to diversify a state's economic base in industries not connected to the gas industry.





Full Frame

Sun and Snow

The magic of winter happens on those early mornings when the world is still and silent under a blanket of snow.

Photography by Aurimas Liutikas '12

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Alumni House

Opportunities & Events

Alumni Association News

Alumni welcome recent graduates to their new homes.

By Matt Hughes

When **Jesse Dondero '13** landed in Washington, D.C., to start a new job with the federal government, he didn't realize the extent of the social and mentorship network awaiting him in his new hometown. That changed in September when Dondero stepped into a Bucknell Alumni Association Welcome Reception at the Public Bar in Dupont Circle.

"I ran into several people I graduated with but didn't know were living in D.C. Since then, I've been able to meet up with them and build a nice base of friends," Dondero says. "I also ran into a few alumni I had never met in person, and it's been really helpful to have people who have been around the block to answer any questions I might have about the city. It's a great network."

Each fall, the Alumni Association and regional Bucknell Clubs host Welcome Receptions in the far-flung locations where alumni migrate after graduation. This year, the association hosted receptions in 15 U.S. cities and in London.

"Turnout was strong in the cities where receptions were held," says Alumni Association board member **M.L. Hedison '78**. "Lots of new connections were made. New alums met older Bucknellians who remember what it's like starting out."

Nearly 100 Bucknellians, including Dondero, attended the D.C. gathering. About half were new arrivals from the Class of 2013, while others graduated more than 30 years ago. Alumni Association board member **Joel Berelson '85** said the gatherings hold appeal for both groups.

"I get to come back to campus and meet students three times a year, but others who don't get that opportunity enjoy meeting recent graduates and talking to them about their experiences at Bucknell," Berelson says. "It helps older alumni stay in touch with what's happening on campus."



Members of the Class of 2013 were welcomed by alumni at receptions around the country.

"WE DO" — WORDS FROM OUR ALUMNI

How Bucknell Helped Me Get To Obstetrics

By Nayo Matthews Williams '08

As I near the halfway point of my OB/GYN residency at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, I feel confident about the career in women's health ahead of me. Even when the long nightshift hours leave my brain fried, and my work with some patients breaks my heart, I cannot for a second picture myself doing anything else. It's hard to imagine I wasn't always so sure.

Looking back, I realize the commitment to service that led me to my career was there all along. While in the third grade, I began volunteering with a church youth group in some of the poorest neighborhoods in inner-city Baltimore, handing out sandwiches to people living on the streets. In high school, I raised money and flexed my muscles renovating an elderly woman's house.

What my Bucknell experience gave me was the chance to explore what

drew me to help others, and identify the type of service that most entices me. I was active in many clubs and activities, from seats on committees promoting diversity to the role in *The Vagina Monologues* that helped me uncover my interest in women's health. It gave me opportunities to explore, to try things on for size, and I learned more about myself in the process. Two trips to Nicaragua with the Bucknell Brigade and a semester in Tanzania, where I worked on an independent study project with local indigenous healers, helped me realize that touching people — healing them physically and connecting face-to-face — is what I most love in life.

I haven't had the chance to get back to campus or keep in touch with Bucknellians as much as I'd like — moving straight from college to med school to residency has kept me busy — but I still feel connected to my alma



Nayo Matthews Williams '08

mater. Every time I enter a surgical suite or meet a new patient, I carry my Bucknell experience with me.

Nayo Matthews Williams '08 finished her M.D. in obstetrics and gynecology and is in residency at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School at Rutgers University. If you have a We Do story, please submit to bmagazine@bucknell.edu.

ALUMNI ENTREPRENEUR: NISAN TROTTER '05

There's no back of the room where members can hide at TROTFITNESS, the exercise studio opened by **Nisan Trotter '05**, a mile from the Bucknell campus. Trotter pushes his clients to their personal limits during the boot camp-style workouts he leads, which incorporate a wide variety of exercises that boost metabolism.

Trotter, a former Bucknell scholarship football player and fundraiser, opened TROTFITNESS in November 2012, after several years of teaching in parks and community centers around Lewisburg. He was inspired to make fitness his career by his wife, Yorelis, a Zumba instructor who enrolled him in his first trainer certification course, and by former teammate

Daris Wilson '05, who teaches boot-camp fitness in New Jersey. TROTFITNESS has five employees, including Nisan and Yorelis.

"The Small Business Development Center at Bucknell has been pivotal in our success," he says. "People at Bucknell have also been awesome mouthpieces for our business, sending people our way or signing up themselves."

—Matt Hughes



Class Notes

Alumni Near & Far



Come up with a clever caption for this archival photo. The best five entries submitted to bmagazine@bucknell.edu or facebook.com/BucknellU no later than March 1 will win a Bucknell T-shirt. See the winners of the Fall issue's caption contest on p.70.

FROM THE EDITOR

Most readers come to the back of the magazine first to spend time with Class Notes. Even in the era of instant communication, this section in a quarterly magazine remains our most popular. And it wouldn't be what it is without the diligence, kind and careful consideration and outright love of alma mater expressed by our dedicated Class Notes Reporters. This issue, readers will be saddened to learn that we have lost two of our dearest, **Janet Bold Sholl '43** and **Honey Rhinesmith Baker '44**, who volunteered for a total of 91 years to the University. Imagine that, nearly a century of service.

Both women have extensive Bucknell families who will feel their loss. As will this Bucknell family. Honey was our last reporter to hand-write columns in a gorgeous, looping script that belonged to another time. We are grateful to have known them and for the stories they told for so many years ... "oft of thee" we think. — *Gigi Marino*

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Since I have given Wilbur the potbellied pig too much exposure, I'll bore you with freshman stupidity that about four or five of us — including me — attempted to start a Bucknell swimming team for the University that didn't even have a swimming pool.

We opted to use the Milton YMCA as our home base, both for practice and for whatever meets we could drum up. Somehow, we had three or maybe four meets — at which location I cannot remember.

However, one meet I recall ended on a freezing night in Steelton, Pa., but that did not end it. What finally brought the team to a screeching halt was a trip back from Milton on a night when the roads back to Lewisburg were a sheet of ice and the entire swimming team crowded in **Dick Gilbert's '36 Dodge roadster**, which

skidded off the road and almost dumped us all in the Susquehanna River.

We were smart enough to know, at that point, that it was not to be, and so ended the first Bucknell swimming team. — C.V.

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Your classmates would love to hear how you are doing. Please send any updates my way. Need ideas? Tell us about what you've been up to, which Bucknellians you keep in touch with, or even a favorite memory of your time in Lewisburg. Remember to include how people can get in touch with you. — N.C.T.

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Greetings, classmates. From Howard Means comes a belated report from July on research he has been doing on Joseph Smith. After he casually mentioned his work on Johnny Appleseed, I went into the Newton Library database and found *Johnny Appleseed: The Man, the Myth, the American Story*, written by Howard and published in 2011. I put in a reserve for it, because Johnny

Appleseed was a folk hero who started out from Massachusetts.

Joe Diblin says he plays golf when he can and writes a column on aviation for one or two local papers.

Elsie Van Nort McShea reports that she celebrated her 95th birthday with a cake baked by her daughter and bravely decorated and lit with 95 candles. All went well. No 911 call needed. Despite the "shaky knees," she says she was able to make a five-hour trip to visit her grandson at Indiana University of Pennsylvania with another daughter. They enjoyed the beauty of the mountains.

Last summer and fall were beautiful in New England, but personally clouded by the death of my stepdaughter Ann Wolpert at 70 in October. She served with distinction as director of the libraries at MIT for 14 years following work with Arthur D. Little and Harvard Business School. — A.H.W.

1941

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Your classmates would love to hear how you are doing. Please send any updates my way. Need ideas? Tell us about what you've been up to, which other Bucknellians you keep in touch with, or even a favorite memory of your time in Lewisburg. Remember to include how people can get in touch with you. — N.C.T.

1943

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Editor's note: It is with regret that we announce the passing of class reporter Janet Bold Sholl on Sept. 20, 2013. A dedicated class reporter for 26 years, she sent in her class notes before she died. Her obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.

Stan Williams got in touch via email and congratulated Janet on avoiding the scam she wrote about in her Spring column. He said a similar thing happened to him and writes, "What a magazine! All the color spreads, etc. Still mostly read it from back to front. That is where the notes are."

Stan says he tried to call Ronnie Greene Byrnes to see if she received her copy of Bucknell Magazine, but missed her.

Jane Griffith writes with another scam experience. "My sister Mimi who lives here at Crane's Mill had a similar experience. Her 'grandson Peter' called from Peru needing money." It went on until Mimi told him to contact his parents. "We do have to be careful these days, too much info available to unscrupulous people," Jane says.

Emilie Sherman Sanborn '55 writes that the same scam happened to her. "I received a call similar to the one you recounted and I am now \$2,100 out of pocket. It wasn't until after I had wired the money that I began to think something was fishy and by then the money had already been picked up." She says the police who took her report said the callers are real pros. When she received another call, Emilie was prepared. The scammers hung up when Emilie demanded to know the name of the "grandson" who was calling.

Diane Slifer Scott '54 writes that she and Victor '54

retired to North Carolina in 1999. She is working on a memoir, *Flivverin with You*, from her parents' love letters sent between 1923-28 until Kenneth Slifer got his salary up to \$35 a week and Caryl Dutton Slifer '27 proved they could live on that.

"One of Dad's work-your-way-through-college jobs was decorating envelopes, selling them in the dorm for 25 cents," she writes. She is including color illustrations of them in the book. Diane is working with an editor in Delaware to edit the manuscript. The editor and her husband and their two sons are all Bucknellians. Email: vicdiane@earthlink.net. — J.B.S.

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1944

REUNION 2014

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Editor's note: It is with regret that we announce the passing of class reporter Honey Rhinesmith Baker on Oct. 14, 2013. A dedicated class reporter for 65 years, she had her children Bob '67, Kitty Baker Sarro '72, Tom '77 and Tim '80 send in her last Class Notes column with her familiar sign off "Love and peace." Honey's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.

The following was received in July from Dave Wohlhueter, former Bucknell sports information director.

"I check out your column in Bucknell Magazine in each issue to see how you are doing and in my reading tonight I saw

that my good friend and mentor Brad Tufts had contacted you. I don't want to be outdone by Brad. I remember you fondly because you were one of my biggest boosters during my wonderful tenure (1969-77) at Bucknell. I always loved seeing you and Bob '44 when you came to campus or at the away football games."

Dave says he's glad I'm involved with Bucknell as a volunteer. "Bucknell provided many wonderful aspects of my life, including a wife and two children." He retired from Cornell in 1998, but keeps busy. He and his wife returned from Wimbledon where they saw four days of matches on a trip that was given to them by the College Sports Information Directors of America, an organization where he served as treasurer for 35 years.

"I am secretary of the Ithaca College Alumni Board, president of the Ithaca Concert Band and an officer with a number of other groups. In the fall at homecoming at Ithaca College, I'm going to be the recipient of the Dusty Bredbenner Award, which is the highest alumni award given by Ithaca College." Email: dpw5@cornell.edu.

With considerable regret, this will be the final news item on Frank '43 and Ginny Thompson Cannon. Frank's death came on Aug. 8, 2013, and Ginny's two weeks later on Aug. 23. For the past year they had lived together in a nursing home. Ginny and I had been roommates and Frank and my husband, Bob, were fraternity brothers in Sigma Chi. We were a close-knit foursome who stayed in equally close touch and they'll be truly missed by me. Rest in peace, dear friends.

In August a 90th birthday celebration was held for yours truly. In addition to Baker family members, also joining in the special event were Penn '53 and Dee Pieper Shelley '59. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

Honey's family shared a note from Frank Arentowicz '69 after he learned of her death. "Beginning in 1965, your

parents always treated me like a member of your family. I would not have gone to Bucknell if not for your parents and their care for me. Your father came to more than half my high school football games in 1964 and he drove me to Bucknell to visit the campus in early February of 1965. I know he helped me get a full scholarship. And I can't remember a home or away football game that your mom and dad missed during my four years at Bucknell.

"There is a tear coming down my face right now because I know no person could ever have been given more love and care by two people than I was given by your mom and dad throughout their lives. I share in your loss. Your mom has, and will always be, my sweetheart of Sigma Chi."

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Constance Dent writes with lots of wonderful news. While it may not be easy to see other classmates, Connie says she corresponds with Ruth Burnett Pembleton and William Watkinson. She has a psychotherapeutic practice in Mertztown, Pa. Connie and her "farmer" are "leaving the property to the Berks County Conservancy because they will continue to keep it as a sanctuary for birds and wild animals," including a bear and coyote! Email: cpdent11@gmail.com. — S.M.G.

1946

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1947

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Barbara Messer Hale, who lives in upstate New York, reports that the fall of 2013 is the best fall remembered. However, her husband, Ed, who teaches skiing, is preparing for winter 2014. Many of our class — and their siblings — have been blessed with longevity.

Mildred Valentine Painter attended the 100th birthday party of her brother, who lives in West Palm Beach, Fla.

In August, the Roberts family arrived from California, Florida, Oregon, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut and Texas to celebrate **W. Nelson Roberts'** 90th birthday. Soon after Skip turned 90, he was named this year's King Twister of his golf group, The Royal Order of Golf Twisters. As Bucknell alumni advancing in our 80s, we are reminded of some of the words of our alma mater's hymn, "Dear Bucknell, oft of thee I'm thinking, as memories fond go trooping by ..." — J.M.R.

1948

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It will be the new year by the time you read this. Happy 2014

to my classmates and I hope you have enjoyed this winter weather. Write me of your news. I miss you.

Since our Reunion, I have been in touch with **Trudy Vogel Graham**. She decided to write all our Reunion attendees. Wasn't that a neat gesture? We should write her back. Trudy also has a house in Munds Park, Ariz. This is where she spends a great deal of time entertaining guests.

A call to **Judy Shank Dawson** provided the news that she is well and stays in touch with several of our '48-ers.

A note from **Harry Katz** brought us up-to-date on his life after Bucknell. He published his memoir *A Materials Scientist's Memoir*. He was elected a fellow of the Society of Plastics Engineers and the Society of Materials and Process Engineers. It is great to hear from such an achiever. Thank you, Henry, for the news.

One of my fellow class reporters, **Honey Rhinesmith Baker '44**, passed away on Oct. 14, 2013. She was a dedicated reporter and a very well-liked lady. I shall miss our talks, Honey. Our condolences to your family.

I will think of you, my friends of the Class of '48, when I sit watching Bucknell playing a winning game at Homecoming. Keep well, please. Go Bison! — J.G.B.

1949

REUNION 2014

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I received an email from classmate and friend **Alice Bogdanoff Miller**. She remarked that after reading the details of my birthday party she would like to comment on her 86th birthday party. "My niece, Nell, hosted a 'hen party' at

her home and invited me and my two daughters, Deb and Elizabeth, for the weekend." Nell picked Alice up on a Friday and they went to the airport to pick up Elizabeth — who always comes north from Dallas for Alice's birthday.

"My daughter, Deb, came from Mechanicsburg, Pa., early on Saturday and the three girls spent the day cooking all sorts of goodies (for my freezer). They cooked a turkey with all the trimmings, lasagna and yummy desserts like sticky buns and brownies and shortbreads. So I had many, many meals of pasta and soups as well as desserts."

Alice says they also played a lot of cards interspersed with culinary doings. She has a few meals left in the freezer. "How's that for an unusual birthday celebration?" It sounds like they had a great time.

No other news from classmates, but I had a bad event happen here. My older cat, Houdini (13-plus years), had several bad times including a two-week stay at the vet and it ultimately ended with having to put him to sleep. He wouldn't eat and the vet suggested I take him to a veterinary hospital where they would do an ultrasound and put in a feeding tube.

I brought him home and tried to follow all the procedures, but I could see that it was hopeless. He had cancer and couldn't live much longer no matter what. My big regret is that I didn't put him down when he wouldn't eat. I read later that that is a sure sign that he wants to go to cat heaven. He had so much pain — and it cost \$2,500, not that I begrudge that as I thought it would help him. He is much better off now. I have my 3-year-old Allie, but I get teary about Houdini even as I write this.

I did go up to Philadelphia in July for my son's graduation from culinary school. He is 52 and is also an architect.

I have been thinking about coming to Reunion next year — 65 years — but I doubt anyone would be there that I know. We

only had eight or 10 at our 60th. I have relatives, my husband's brother and wife, who live at RiverWoods; however, traveling does not appeal to me anymore. — C.M.D.

1950

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Wedding bells rang in Nashville, Tenn., when **Carrie Leanne Ledgerwood '06** married Charles Pulliam on Oct. 12, 2013. Carrie is the granddaughter of **Leanne Freas Trout** and the late **Dave Trout**, and the daughter of **Bill '74** and **Dee Trout Ledgerwood '74**. Also on hand for the happy occasion were Le's sons and their families, **David '99** and **Adrienne Kauffman Ledgerwood '99** along with sons, Will, 4, and Carter, 1, and Regina and **Mark Ledgerwood '01** with sons, Gabriel, 3, and Caleb, 1. Eighteen Bucknellians were among the wedding guests who were delighted to meet Le's four great-grandsons, potential future Bucknellians.

I had an enjoyable phone conversation with **Constance Comba Osborne** on a beautiful day in September. Connie's home is in the village of Cary, Ill., where she operated a canine salon for a number of years. The mother of two sons, George and John, she told me that she loved her four years at Bucknell. One of her special memories is an unforgettable steak dinner at Hotel Milton with friends from Peacock Alley.

Betty and **Richard Villforth** are well, happy and keeping busy at home in Reading, Pa. A round of golf and a bridge game are two of Dick's favorite pastimes and he's an active volunteer at numerous church functions. Family gatherings include two daughters, four granddaughters, including **Kelly McComsey Bennett '94**,

and eight great-grandchildren. During his career, Dick served as project manager on the design and construction of power generating stations in the U.S., Japan, Korea, Spain and Yugoslavia. His work also took him to England, Ireland, Germany, Hong Kong and China.

Pianist **Al Borelli '49** returned to London where he played Mendelssohn's "First Piano Concerto in G Minor" with a symphony orchestra. He asked me to let you know that if you'd like a CD copy of his performance — free of charge — he'd be happy to send you one. Contact him at P.O. Box 713, Westport, MA 02790.

Bill Cole retired as president and owner of Cole's Hardware, a family-owned business that was established in 1853. Sons Greg and **Bo '80** are at the helm of the 11 stores that serve the central Pennsylvania area.

The Coles are also parents of two daughters: Gretchen is an attorney and Kandace is a registered dietician. Bill and his charming wife, Martha, a Penn State grad and registered dietician, live in the Danville area and have nine amazing grandchildren.

It was with sadness that I learned of the passing of the **Rev. M. Edgar Datesman** on Dec. 31, 2012. Ed attended Western Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh and was installed as minister at the Presbyterian Church in Port Allegany, Pa. He served that church for nearly five years and then resigned to study at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland. While there he served the parish kirk in West Calder. Returning home he was called as pastor of the Presbyterian church in Bedford, Pa., where he served for many years, retiring as

pastor emeritus. During his years in Bedford he completed work for a doctor of ministry degree at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary.

A member of the Bedford Hospital Board of Directors, Ed served on the Board of Home Nursing and was active in a community housing committee, drug and alcohol prevention programs, hospice and grief recovery groups and the Red Cross. At Bucknell, Ed was a member of TKE, sang with the men's Glee Club and was a member of the men's quartet. He is survived by his wife, Gail, sons, Miles and Daniel, and one daughter, Darcia. — P.W. Note: Ed's obituary appears in this issue's *In Memoriam* section.

1951

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Don Manning and his family have moved again. He sends the best emails, which I receive through **Ted Simpson**. Address:

THE ELLEN CLARKE BERTRAND SOCIETY

The Bertrand Society honors Bucknell alumni, parents, friends and staff who record estate commitments, establish life income gifts, or make some other form of deferred gift to the University.

The gifts of Bertrand Society members strengthen every facet of the University. We welcome the following new members who recorded such commitments between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

Michael and Elizabeth Benenson P'15

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Berger

William '62 and Mary Brelsford

James '71 and Beth P'08 Carll

Margaret Mathieson Conner '77

Robert Crockett '62

William G. '77, M'79 and Mary J. '79 Cropsey

Jane W. Curtis '57

Richard H. Fidler '63

Patrick J. '80 and Patti A. '86 Flannery

Suzanne P. Freney '62

Joanne Gehas '85

Mark Griffith '91

Gary '63 and Jean Heck

Lawrence S. '69 and Cheri T. Klock

Dr. Laura S. Lehman '79

Nancy '63 and Lowell MacKenzie

Walter A. '71 and Beverly J. Molawka

Darryl L. '63 and Sigrid C. '64 Novak

Pascucci Family

Bill and Ann Roll

Geoffrey B. '00 and Jody L. '99 Sargeant

Frank and Karie Schoeneman

Thomas W. Snead '74

Thomas B. '67 and Barbara '67

Hart McGuire Sturges

Kathryn '79 and Robert Vizas

Laurel Ziegler '99

Anonymous (4 members)

If you have a plan that qualifies you for membership or would like additional information about the Bertrand Society, please contact the Office of Gift Planning at 570-577-3271 or giftplanning@bucknell.edu



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Many people called and wondered what was happening out here in Colorado with the fires and floods. Last year the Front Range was decimated by the Waldo Canyon Fire, which was not far from our home, and we were evacuated. A local attraction known as the Flying W Ranch was burned to the ground but we suffered no damage.

Then this year, on the other side of town, the Black Forest burned and took with it hundreds of homes. It was a very hot and dry summer until September, when it started to rain in torrents. Since most of the vegetation had burned there was nothing to absorb the rain, so it washed down the hills and created floods in the nearby towns. The force of the rain cascading down the hillsides took houses off their foundations and carried them downstream.

We had never seen anything like it, and nobody out here has flood insurance because we don't live in flood plains. The main highway from Colorado Springs to a beautiful bedroom community west of us, known as Woodland Park, was closed as part of the highway was washed away. The sad part of all this is that these fires were manmade, deliberately or by careless smoking.

The heroic efforts by the highway department, who worked day and night, restored some of the pathways to the mountains in record time.

So Colorado is open for business and the ski season is about to begin. We had our first snow this morning, Oct. 19, and the sun is shining. The snow is all gone and a beautiful weekend is predicted. I invite all to come to the mountains. They are beautiful. Pike's Peak is like an enormous marshmallow and will be spectacular tonight under a full moon. Enjoy the holidays! — C.K.E.

1953

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Roland Creps in Falls Church, Va., writes, "What a great Reunion we had! Thanks in no small part to the McConnells and your efforts to keep our class informed." He says he and Lucille wrapped up his 30-year military career in the Navy in Naples, Italy, in 1984.

"We had our household goods shipped to the Washington, D.C., area, where we owned a home, and have been here ever since. I was able to find work right away in the aviation industry and had a second 20-year career. Having traveled extensively while in the Navy we have chosen to pretty much limit our travel to the lower 48."

Roland says they get to Florida most every year and have family and friends on the West Coast. "The drive to Lewisburg is a comfortable distance for us and we enjoy the trip there both for Homecoming or Reunion season. I was born and raised in Pennsylvania and it refreshes me every time we are at Bucknell," he says.

Ellen Herte Schick, an active golfer in San Diego, Calif., sends a photo of herself and three friends from a team tournament for Coronado's WGC 50th anniversary with props. "How's this for '50s memorabilia? Surfboard top, drive-in tray, Woody ('58 Ford). A prop for my golf buddies at the Coronado Golf Club Tee Party." She and her friends look great. Ellen was on the East Coast in the fall visiting MIT, where her third grandson has begun his studies. The Pi Phi house at MIT is right next to her grandson's dorm. Ellen told him to watch out for those wild party girls next door.

From **Earle "Bud" Bretz** in Cape Haze, Fla., comes this. "No more softball. I retired five years ago when I had my shoulder fixed and my hip replaced. Enough was enough,

but I really enjoyed my trips around the country playing." He says he plays more golf and spends his time flying missions for the Civil Air Patrol. He's been a member for nine years.

"I am also public affairs officer for the unit. I thought after flying since 1968 I had something to offer that they could use. And I was right. I am a member of the UFOs! United Flying Octogenarians. I'm eligible because I have flown passengers after the age of 80. Fun group."

Bud sends his regrets for not being at Bucknell for our 60th. "We had a high school graduation to get to the same weekend. It was a shock that so few of us are still with us. Too bad that so many good ones passed on." He reports that, concerned about the flooding in Colorado, they've been in email contact with **Bob and Nan Field Dederer**, who report that they are fine. They live on the other side of the mountains.

Bette MacDonald Becker's husband, Lawrence Ward Becker, 83, passed away Aug. 2, 2013, in his home at Sunrise Creek Senior Living Community in Montrose, Colo. Larry graduated from Princeton University, served in the Marine Corps in Korea and married Bette in 1953. They settled in Palo Alto, Calif., and started raising their children.

A career promotion for Larry in 1971 moved the family to San Marino, Calif., and later led the family to their beloved weekend home at the Strand in Dana Point, Calif. Larry and Bette moved to Montrose, Colo., in 2009 and shared 59 years of marriage together. Five children and nine grandchildren survive Larry. Bette's address: 1976 Montrose Drive, Unit B, Montrose, CO 81401.

Only in Alaska. **Claire Vogelsong Pease** says, "When we arrived at our daughter's house for dinner, we could not get out of the car because a cow moose and calf were 15 feet from us at the house. We turned on the radio at high volume and that brought the

cow up to the side window before it meandered about 20 feet away with the calf. Saved."

Isabelle Harris Penny did not begin life after college like most of us. She went to Libya at the invitation of her uncle who was in the Foreign Service. She met her future husband, Roy, there. Her parents attended their 1954 wedding in Libya. They spent three years working and traveling in Africa, Europe and the Middle East before returning to the States. Most of their life together was spent in Rhode Island where Roy taught English at St. George's School.

Isabelle earned a master's in English at Brown and was an English teacher for grades six through nine and a vice principal in another school. The school where she worked was renamed the Pennfield School after her retirement. They bought a farm there in 1975, but sold it to move to Colorado in 1993 to be near their two sons, Roy and Chris. Isabelle's husband died in September 2012, but completed a novel, *Till We Meet Again*, the story of his mother's pioneer life raising nine children during the Dust Bowl in Oklahoma. It is a true story. Isabelle said it is available on Amazon.

And I must mention the Philadelphia Spring Luncheon. Early warning. Save the date: Wednesday, April 23, 2014. I don't know where it will be, but let's hope that it happens. — C.H.K.

1954

REUNION 2014

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Charlie Stainton writes with news of a reunion for several Sigma Phi Epsilon Bucknellians and their wives. He says they met at **Fred Pond's** home in May. Also in attendance were

Betty and **Tom Buzard**, Loretta and **Don Ritchie**, Althea and **Bob Wallace** and Linda and Charlie. Fred's wife, Sharon, passed away a few years ago and was sadly missed, but well remembered.

Miscellaneous physical distress that is age-appropriate for us was forgotten for three glorious days, recalling with laughter their youth at Bucknell. The Staintons moved to a retirement home near Pittsburgh in 2012. The Wallaces moved to one near D.C. this year. The Ritchies had to rebuild their home in Oceanside, N.Y., following Hurricane Sandy damage in 2012. Charlie hopes to see many of our classmates at Reunion weekend in May 2014.

We need more news about our classmates. Tell us something, please! — B.M.A.

1955

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Last spring, **Patty Mansfield Nixon** emailed her plans to travel to Maine for a week in June. Unfortunately when she was here we were unable to rendezvous. Her limited time during her vacation with her family did not allow it. Patty, that week was the best weather of the summer!

Fred Olessi sent an epistle to me. Here are some of the highlights of what he wrote under the title "2013 Thus Far." He spent last winter in Italy and Spain. In June, he presented an evening of poetry as a benefit for a program that he has been involved with for years that helps minority children excel in an unwelcoming academic atmosphere in our public schools. In October, he was in Spain. His granddaughter is completing a master chef program at the Basque Culinary Institute in San Sebastian. After the program she will be in

Seville interning in a Michelin starred restaurant.

Undoubtedly the highlight of Fred's year was his invitation to Russia by the government and Channel One Television to be present at the unveiling of two monuments to Vladimir Zworykin, his RCA friend who invented electronic television and about whom he made a television documentary in 1971. While there he was treated like royalty. Fred's email contains pictures. Contact me for his entire email, "2013 Thus Far."

John and **Mag Widmaier Borden '58** spent a weekend in September at Bucknell to watch their two grandsons compete in Bucknell's Invitational Golf Tournament. Twelve colleges were invited to Bucknell to compete. Charlie Elder (Dartmouth '15) and his brother **John Elder '17** were paired on Saturday for 36 holes. The Borden's followed them around the entire course! I believe I heard that Dartmouth won the tournament — shhhh.

Roy '56 and **Nonie Cowen Irving '56** and Dick and I had a wonderful "reunion" dinner with **Nancy Green Gates** at a mutual friend's home. It was great fun to look over *L'Agenda* and realize that we had made this connection here in Maine through our mutual Bates College friends. More about this meeting in the next issue of *Bucknell Magazine*. — G.R.S.

1956

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A note from **Joe Eberhart** shared the sad news of **Dale Bowen's** death on July 31, 2013. Joe and Dale roomed together during their first year at Temple Med. and Joe reminisced that Dale taught him the right amount of salt to add to ham when cooking it. Dale would often go jogging and then follow it up by

devouring a half pint of ice cream! He will be greatly missed by his family, friends and DU brothers. — P.G.H. Note: *Dale's obituary appeared in the Fall issue of Bucknell Magazine.*

1957

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I welcomed news from three of our faithful contributors, **Hugh Browning**, **Jacquelyn "JJ" James** and **Sally Botsai**. I encourage classmates to send their news now for the Spring issue of *Bucknell Magazine*.

Hugh Browning writes, "As I get older I find myself musing about my formative years, in particular about my school days. Each of my schools was so different. From age 9 to 18, I went to McDonogh, then an all-boys military-style boarding school near Baltimore. Discipline was foremost. I had to march to meals and muck horse stalls, but I also got to ride a lot. I was a poor student at first and when I was 12 an instructor told my mother to forget about college for me. He turned out to be way off base. I eventually began to apply myself and by the time I graduated I was second in my class for grades."

At Bucknell, Hugh says, the atmosphere was very different from McDonogh. "Now there were girls — girls in cashmere sweaters and white buck shoes. And parties at fraternity houses." He enjoyed the new freedom and choices in what to study. "I did major in engineering, but by my third year I began to question this direction. My attitude toward the future was changing."

After Bucknell he attended two art schools and earned a master's from Columbia University's School of Architecture. He graduated with honors, went abroad on a traveling fellowship and later received professional recognition.

"As I look back, I feel grateful to Bucknell for helping to broaden my horizons. Yes, some of my activities there now seem frivolous, but Bucknell helped me to become my own person, to find what I wanted to do, not what someone else thought I should do," he says.

JJ James and Sally Botsai sent emails about the "Delta and friends" gathering last fall. **Mary Lynn Griffith Jacobs**, **Patricia Wenk Strachan**, JJ and Sally gathered at the Hotel Monaco in Alexandria, Va., in the heart of Old Town. "We were able to walk to restaurants and shops. Sally planned two delightful dinners, one at an Italian and one at a Greek restaurant. Alexandria is a very popular destination on the Potomac, downriver from Washington."

The group trolleyed and Metroed into D.C. during the October government shutdown and was limited to non-government attractions. "We chose a fairly new museum, the Newseum on Pennsylvania Avenue, which featured an exhibit on the Kennedy years. Many of the newsworthy events of the past 150 years are depicted in the museum, using video, photography and other interactive devices to convey the news." Sally recommends the Newseum to anyone visiting Washington.

They agreed that the most important part of their reunion was renewing their 60-year friendship and sharing their lives. They toasted the life of the late **Ellie Haber Shaw** and made plans to meet again next fall at a place to be determined. — D.H.H.

1958

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Nancy Umholtz Pera sent a nice picture of **Faith Bonsall Krum**, **Barbara Pausser**

McLean and herself. The three of them had lunch and good reminiscences together at Lansdowne Resort in Leesburg, Va. In September, Faith planned to move to Tipp City, Ohio, to be near her lovely daughter Sara. I'm sure Faith will keep Bucknell buddies up-to-date as soon as she gets settled.

Bob and Barb McLean put down good roots in Denver, Colo., when they married many decades ago. Their family includes daughter, Amy, in Zagreb, Croatia, and two sons.

Nancy writes, "George and I moved two miles away to Goodwin House Alexandria in April after 33 years in a home and neighborhood that we adored." She says their son, Dave, lives nearby, and daughter, Tracey, lives in Greenville, S.C., with her husband, Pete, and their Christ Church Episcopal School senior Hope Sanders. Address: Apartment 402, 4800 Fillmore Ave., Alexandria, VA 22311. Phone: 864-760-3432.

I had a warm conversation with **Merle Holden Winstead** in Phoenix and some thoughtful emails from **Elaine Longenecker Wilson**, who lives permanently on the Jersey shore. My life has changed dramatically since Bill's death in June and I am experiencing the painful "firsts" that widows must survive during the initial year of losing a loved one.

I traveled to Cary, N.C., to watch the yearly SAS Championship senior golf tournament at Prestonwood Country Club, where my nephew owns a home. Sister **Violet Bayer Riegel '56** and her husband, **Bud '54**, made the journey from Wilmington, Del., to attend the event. We love seeing the "old" guys. The weather was dreadful, but we enjoyed seeing Russ Cochran beat David Frost with an amazing 18th-hole birdie.

I plan to fly to Texas for Thanksgiving to be with my sons and their families, Bill's family and some other friends. I truly look forward to this visit.

Looking forward to hearing from you for the next issue.
— R.B.S.

1959

REUNION 2014

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I have had multiple people inquire about whether we were going to have a 55th Reunion in 2014 and voila! I heard from **Sylvia Beauregard Van Cleave**.

In October, **Char Gentry Sisler**, **Willi Rilling Stahura** and **Beau** had a mini Kappa Reunion at the Blue Onion restaurant in Westport, Conn. Char was visiting Willi for a few days at her home in Wallingford, Conn. The original plan was to meet in NYC; however, that was foiled by huge traffic tie-ups with the United Nations in session and a major snafu with the railroad service from Connecticut to the city. "As it turned out, we spent so much time catching up and reminiscing, we never would have had time to explore NYC. One of our topics was our Bucknell 55th Reunion next May and if it would be possible to have significant participation from our classmates."

If you're interested, you need to get cracking and advise Beau, who will need more than followers, for time is getting short. Email: Sylvan554@optonline.net.

Joan Perego Thayer and her husband are participating in an Encore Chorale, rehearsing once a week in preparation for December concerts. One will again be performed on the Millennium Stage of the Kennedy Center.

Their middle grandson, Chris, is Officer Thayer on the Roanoke County police force. They were delighted to attend his graduation ceremony on Sept. 20, 2013. A kilted bagpiper playing "Amazing Grace" led the class to their seats. A dignified ceremony followed and by the time parents got to pin the badges on the new

officers, there were many damp eyes.

Ted and Joan saw "Potted Potter," a 70-minute, two-man satire of the Harry Potter books that included a beach ball Quidditch match. They said it was great fun.

Leaves are falling and soon they will be again blowing the leaves into the gutter where they will be sucked up into trucks, which is so much nicer than having to bag them.

Jane Adams Mathewson is president of P.E.O. Chapter QG for the next two years. This is an international Philanthropic Educational Organization that supports women in college and women who plan to re-enter the workforce for one reason or another. The best part, other than philanthropy, is that each meeting they have a wonderful program and learn so much about varied subjects. Jane always tells people that they do not have time for "politics, gossip or religion," which is a relief from everyday life.

She and Dick returned to Southern California after four months spent mostly in Minnesota, where they summer each year. They have many friends there and enjoy the relaxation. There is always much to do after leaving a "cabin" vacant for eight months, but they seem to be able to plant gardens, paint and especially fish. Jane managed to catch a 30-inch, 8-1/2 lb. northern this summer, the biggest of the season. She needed help bringing it into the boat, as dead weight on a fishing rod is not easy. Oh, well, next year is another year.

Jim Hall has worked with the Presidents' Forum and Council of State Governments to develop a groundbreaking strategy to promote interstate reciprocity in state authorization of post-secondary educational institutions that offer online courses and degrees across multiple states.

As **Janet Thompson Salzer** wrote in October she and John were preparing to travel to Pittsburgh. Their son lives there and teaches English lit.

at Pitt, so they will see him but they are also attending their 41st Road Scholar program: Pittsburgh, a Signature City. They will stay at a hotel right on the Pitt campus.

They love Road Scholar programs and have traveled to many states and Canada to participate. The programs are an excellent travel bargain because everything is included. Often you get to go behind the scenes and also meet some of the local residents. There may be musical presentations or stories of local lore. In the Ozarks they heard musicians who could have been performing at Grand Ole Opry, in Arizona they went inside Glen Canyon Dam at Lake Powell, and in Montana the Thompsons hiked in Glacier National Park. Janet urges classmates to try these adventures. "You'll love them!"

Robert Hayes writes with one of his favorite memories, walking up the hill to the English building in fairly deep snow and seeing the door blocked by a huge snowball, and later, seeing the fire department taking apart a bigger snowball that some guys had rolled down the hill and onto the street that passes in front of the gym.

Bob Bowman's junior and senior-year roommate **Edward Murray Perkins** died on Sept. 15, 2013. Bob attended his memorial service in Portland, Ore., and spent time with Ed's wife, Shatzie, and their family. They had been getting together in Palm Desert, Calif., for the last few years playing golf and drinking red wine — two of Ed's passions. *Note: Ed's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.*

Marilyn Mumford M'59 finished writing her second book of humorous essays, tentatively called *Cattagories and Dogmatisms*, and is sending out the manuscript to potential publishers. Her first book, *Keeping Most of Our Marbles in Play*, which she mails from her home, has sold more than 350 copies and is finding buyers. — T.E.D.

1960

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I was so pleased to receive an email from **Dave Slifer**, and thank him for taking the time to send it. Dave writes, "This is the first time I ever wrote to *Bucknell Magazine*, but since everybody in our class is probably going through transition at this point, it seems timely. I was in Lewisburg at the end of June, taking my granddaughter, Amicole, from Silver Spring, Md., on her first tour of Bucknell. She fell in love with the place. We stayed with cousins Diane and Ted Meixell of Lewisburg. Their daughter Becca, a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y., opened a restaurant on Main Street in Lewisburg, called Reba and Pancho's, which has taken the town to culinary heights that didn't exist when I was a student there."

Dave said they vacationed with their daughter Lisa and her family, and were joined by their son Tim and his wife from Berkeley, Calif., along with grandson Eli, named for his great-great-great-grandfather, who was a founder of Bucknell, and whose home is a museum on Magnolia Drive in Lewisburg.

"My wife, Karna, and I have lived more or less in San Francisco for 42 years. After six years working as a Caterpillar rep in Europe and North Africa, and a Wharton MBA, I came to San Francisco to work in Multinational Corporate Banking Division at Bank of America."

The bank sent them to London for four years, where both of their kids started school. Back in San Francisco, he joined with a Wharton classmate and two engineers to run a small investment bank specializing exclusively in alternative energy (co-generation, wind and solar power plants) and industrial energy efficiency. He retired

in 2003, which coincided with Excel Energy of Minnesota buying out the company.

"My first retirement activity was to tour all of the wine regions of France with my cousin from Atlanta who is a confirmed oenophile. My last job at Bank of America had been running the bank's Winery Financing Group in the Napa Valley, and the bank had sent my wife and me to a wine school, which had increased our knowledge and interest in wine that we started in Europe. Since retiring, and back in San Francisco, I volunteer at the San Francisco Visitors Center at Powell and Market streets, below the cable car turnaround, most Friday mornings. It keeps my French and Italian current, and I advise tourists interested in visiting Napa and Sonoma wine country."

Dave says they will downsize in 2015 and move into a condo at an Episcopal retirement center in Santa Rosa, Calif., called Spring Lake Village. "While I was working, I had responsibility for the care of my father, **Ken Slifer '26**, a long-time trustee of the University. The Lutheran home he lived in asked me to join their board, which I did for 10 years. That experience taught me a lot about senior care, which led us to Spring Lake Village, a half mile from a home we own and will trade in for our new condo, one of 62 new units in a very active community. It's close to the wineries and restaurants we have learned to appreciate."

He will share their new address when they move. He's willing to share his knowledge of northern California with any classmates heading that way. Address: 651 Upland Drive, San Francisco, CA 94127. Email: dkslifer@pacbell.net.

The end of July brought several classmates back to participate in the annual Bud Ranck-Tom Gadd Memorial Kickoff Classic. We had a big table of '60 classmates, which included **Tony Rinaldo, Pete Fritts, John Bergfeld, Clint Gilkey, Bob Patzwall, Jack**

Eachus, Dick Skelton and yours truly. Also at our table were **Ellis Harley '59** and **Steve Zarlinski '69**. Sadly missing was **Dennis Cox**, who was suffering from a bad hip and awaiting hip replacement surgery. He underwent surgery in September and is doing very well. He has been doing physical therapy since surgery. By the time you read this, he will probably be completely well again. — J.S.H.

1961

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Well, I was waiting for the fall issue of *Bucknell Magazine* to arrive this week because Class Notes editor Julie Dreese was hoping it would give you time to send me some newsy updates, but it's getting late and, as they say on Facebook, no "likes" or "comments."

I am on that quirky site so if you look me up maybe you will get some laughs at my expense and send me some feedback. Just do not make friends with any of my nutty compatriots.

I span the country with my cub reporter **Dick "Turk" Carnesale** in California, but it seems I need some help in every state in the U.S. I was thinking (now there's something to chew on), how about some of my emeritus status classmates enter the Class Notes Caption Contest through yours truly. We do not have to win, but it certainly would add character to my column and give everyone something to either smile at or to relieve some of the worries we may have as we grow older and grayer with a hearty laugh. I enter the contest in every issue and I cannot believe the other entries are better than mine, but then, maybe that is why I am unable to connect with my classmates' expansive sides.

It has been many years now and maybe we need a newer

and more refreshing reporter like Red Buttons, who said, "Take Bob Bentivenga, who once said to Miley Cyrus, 'I don't need a wrecking ball. I can do that on a golf ball.' Never got a dinner! Or, for that matter, some good, old-fashioned news. Hope you all had a wonderful holiday season and may its blessings be on you all. — B.B."

1962

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Betty Kordes Samuels writes, "In August **Bob** and **Margie McLean Smink** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. In attendance were sons Dan, Dave and Doug and families from Denver, Boston and Bethesda, Md. What fun it was to catch up at the 'Bucknell table' with **Beverly Anderson McCausland**, Doss and **Chris Hermann**, Sherrill and **Bob McHarness**, Nancy and **Leigh Shields** and Margie's maid of honor and Bucknell roommate, **Judy Montgomery Nichols** and husband, David. It should come as no surprise that our table was the last to leave!"

We hope you are enjoying a great holiday season. Here are greetings of the season from fellow classmates.

Greetings came from Barry and **Mardie Napier Worst** who say, "If anyone is passing through the Winston-Salem, N.C., area, stop in at our Kilwins Chocolates and Ice Cream Shop, we would love to see you!" Mardie says so much for retirement since opening a new business, "which is okay as long as tennis fits into our schedule."

Linda Owen Weinmann says, "Greetings from Orrington, Maine. **John '64** and I have lived here for 12 years. We transferred to the Bangor area with John's job with Carquest, but he is

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retired. We both stay busy with volunteer activities and church work." Linda gardens and John swims. She says that Maine is a beautiful state and they like living there. "The only drawback is that our children, Tara and John, are in Virginia and Georgia. We have three grandchildren and are looking forward to sharing Maine snow with them after Christmas — something they don't see much in Georgia."

From Doss and Chris Hermann come greetings from sunny Florida. "We are down for the winter and return to Pennsylvania in April. Is anyone heading down here this year? Happy Holidays!"

Paul Schraeder writes, "It's hard to believe that I have been a professor emeritus of neurology at Drexel School of Medicine for more than eight years. Barbara and I interact with our five grandchildren, two in Denmark with daughter **Maria Schraeder Aguayo '90** (which requires several trips a year to Hans Christian Andersen Land), and three with daughter, Ellen, and her husband, four blocks from our Philadelphia apartment." Paul says he has fond memories of Bucknell and of many of his classmates to whom he extends a joyous season's greeting.

Don Trudell writes, "Best regards to fellow classmates of 1962. I hope you are all well as we gray and whatever life does as we gracefully age. Happy New Year!"

Al "Hack" Hackel says, "All is well up here in Bean Town. I have five grandkids, three in San Antonio and two in local Chestnut Hill, Mass. Been traveling and enjoying that completely — Istanbul, Budapest, Vienna, Prague, Athens, Baltic countries and more. If anyone heads up to Boston I would welcome a call. Happy Holidays!"

From reporter **Steve Sugar**:
 "To all the friends of yesterday
 Whose hair now shows a
 touch of gray
 We walked a thousand miles
 And talked a thousand smiles

Doing things the old school way." (Have yourself a healthy new year!)

Mr. B's bumper sticker selection: "New Year State of Mind." What's your favorite bumper sticker? Let us know, as well as updating us on what's new in your life.
 — C.W.C. and S.S.

1963

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We celebrated our 49th anniversary in August. Paul and I do lots of hiking every day at nature preserves, state parks and Audubon centers. We are both members of the Flaggpole Photographers Camera Club of Newtown, Conn. We do lots of photography. We have a boat on Candlewood Lake in Danbury.

The summer was nice with lots of warm water. Two of our grandchildren visited us with their dog and we got him into the lake. It was fun.

Dick Fidler took a number of trips this summer. He and his brother Ken went to the C.F. Martin Guitar Factory in Nazareth, Pa. They had a guided tour. Apparently wood for guitars is aged and examined for defects. Much of the work is done by hand, but some is done by machines and robots. They saw guitars owned by Johnny Cash, Elvis and other musicians.

Then they went to the Elmwood Park Zoo in Norristown, Pa. As they entered the parking lot, a guide came to help them and they were escorted into the Educational Building. They learned all about the zoo and had a chance to hold animals. Dick says he held a giant rabbit with the softest fur. They saw many more animals and had lunch at the zoo.

They also visited the Morris Arboretum on the University of Pennsylvania campus and enjoyed bark touching and a delicious box lunch. On another trip they went to the American Treasures Museum in Oaks, Pa. They traveled on a tram and as it moved along its track, the guide described in great detail all they were seeing as they passed by several exhibits. There was a collection of merry-go-rounds and carousels. As they passed, some of them they started to play. Dick says he felt himself back in Willow Grove Park going up and down on a horse or camel or lion with the unmistakable sound of the music ringing in his ears.

Ron '60 and Carol Bradshaw Follmer report that they celebrated their 50th anniversary in Hawaii with their whole family with a stay in beachfront houses in Kailua, Oahu, for a few weeks and had a good time. Before that, they attended the high school graduation in Ohio of their oldest grandchild.

Harold '60 and Barbara Potts Kelshaw and the Follmers have been in close touch over the years. A move from New Jersey to Lake Monticello outside of Charlottesville, Va., in 2003 brought them within an easier driving distance. When the Kelshaws moved to the lake, they met up with a number of Bucknellians. **Jim and Rea Strub Mueller '65** did a road trip with them to Bucknell athletic events. Jim shared the events of Reunion weekend. They were not able to attend the Reunion because they were preparing to take their family to Bermuda to celebrate their 50th.

Linda Garrett Greenberg wrote from Prague on the last day of their two-week tour of Eastern Europe. They had gone to Warsaw, Krakow, Budapest, Vienna and then Prague. She said the most moving part of the trip was Auschwitz and Birkenau. Many tears were shed by their group.

Buzz and Polly Mitchell Savidge spent lots of time at their beach house in Avalon, N.J., during the summer. They attended two weddings of Bucknell friends' daughters this year. **Ben '62 and Karen Abel Jones' '64** daughter Melissa was married in Naples, Fla., and **Nancy Henderson Greenwood's** daughter Julie was married on Yale's campus in New Haven, Conn.

Roberta Newcomer was in the middle of a move from Worthington, Ohio, to the Akron area during Reunion time. She is closer to her six grandkids, ages 14 to 3. As a hobby, she has gotten into researching her ancestors. She was pleased to attend the national conference of the Palatines to America, a German genealogy society, in Albany, N.Y., last summer where she became a founding member of the Kocherthal Circle by proving her lineage from 1710 immigrant Balthasar Wennerich of Edigheim.

We all remember Bobbi as a singer and an amazing musician. The Reunion yearbook says that in 1990 she received the Ohio Governor's Award recognizing her contribution to arts education in Ohio.

Last summer **Denny '61 and Andrea Becker Rittenhouse** celebrated their 50th anniversary by taking their children, spouses and grandchildren to Lake Superior where they stayed at a lovely Victorian bed and breakfast called the Rittenhouse Inn. They all went kayaking, hiking and boating on and around the lake to celebrate their family and it was fun.

Some sad news. **Pamela Jean Miller Zeich** passed away in October. Her husband is **Al Zeich '61**. She will surely live in the hearts of all who knew her. *Note: Pamela's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.*

Send some good news for the next article. — W.S.B.

1964

REUNION 2014

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I received a fascinating communiqué from **Pam McElwain-Brown**, who is considered an expert on the JFK presidential limousine. She was a keynote speaker at the 50th anniversary conference in Dallas Nov. 21-24. Pam's website: ss100x.com.

The title of her presentation was "Midnight Blue to Black: the Vanishing Act of the Presidential Limousine SS100X in Broad Daylight." The focus of the presentation was how quickly LBJ and Robert McNamara (who was a past-president of Ford Motor Co. before JFK recruited him to be secretary of defense) handled the limo. LBJ tasked McNamara with the limo rebuild process and decided to have it gutted to the metal and rebuilt as a bulletproof limousine. As the limo was the primary crime scene of the assassination, all its evidence disappeared forever in the rebuild. The rebuilt limo is on display at the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn, Mich., and looks nothing like it did back on Nov. 22, 1963.

Pam, her husband, Donner, and their dog and horse live in the Twin Cities. She says she seldom sees Bucknell alumni, and if there is a group there, she is unaware of it. Her three grown children and their families live in Minnesota as well. She may come to Reunion.

Mary Atherton Ketterer writes that she will at last become a grandmother — having almost given up hope.

Think about Reunion! Fifty years is a grand milestone. Please pick up the phone and make two or more phone calls to those you'd like most to see at our Reunion and ask them to do the same. Then write me an email telling me who is coming and who you'd like most to

attend and I'll put the information in the next newsletter.

Karen Tukeva Giles plans to be there. She'll be coming from Atlanta, visiting her 94-year-old mother in Easton on the way. Her life is busy and full as her three children and grandchildren live in the area.

Dow Fenton Malnati is also planning to come to Reunion.

There is a Naples, Fla., alumni get-together Nov. 12. — B.W.S.

1965

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Henry Scarton called to tell me about the Aug. 11, 2013, passing of **Art Place** in Schaghticoke, N.Y. Art founded Arthur Place & Company, PC, in 1980, served on the NYSCPA board and was a founder and past president of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Northeast New York. He especially loved working the land on his organic vegetable farm. At the Troy Waterfront Farmers Market, Art (a.k.a. "Tractor Man") was known for his potatoes and his wonderful sweet corn. *Note: Art's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.*

Henry works full time as director of the Laboratory for Noise and Vibration Control Research Department of Mechanical, Aerospace and Nuclear Engineering at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y.

Mary Atherton Ketterer '64 sent me the obituary for **David Evelyn**, who passed away on March 19, 2013, in Bethesda, Md. David was a respected teacher, artist and person whom the National Art Education Association named Art Teacher of the Year for Virginia secondary schools in 2001 and for secondary schools in the southeastern U.S. in 2002.

David taught in Fairfax County's Lake Braddock

Secondary School, led workshops for art teachers at the National Gallery of Art and served as an adjunct art teacher at Virginia Commonwealth University and Northern Virginia Community College. His work ranged from painting, printmaking, collage and montage to found object art, which included items made from ocean driftwood and discarded toys. *Note: David's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.*

Andy Dzurinko's bucket list was shortened in June when he hiked Peru's ancient Incan Trail with his friend Corwin and 11 hikers from Australia. They flew to Cusco (Peru's ancient capital), which at 11,200 feet is said to be the highest airport in the world, and visited Starbucks and Paddy's Irish Pub before spending four days on the trail.

After reaching Dead Woman's Pass (elevation 13,800 feet), they descended into the ancient city of Machu Picchu, uncovered in 1912 by Yale Professor Hiram Bingham.

Next year's bucket list goal for Andy is hiking Mt. Blanc. When he's back in the States, Andy keeps in touch with Bucknell classmates and fellow Bucknell football players **John Barron, Don Cook, Scott Ellis, Joe Haering, Fred Heather, Dave Reitze** and **Mike Seigfried**. — L.H.T.

1966

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Jackie Pearson Weidenfeller contacted me, excited about the Alaska cruise and land tour sponsored by Bucknell that she and **Chuck '64** took. They went to many of the same places that we visited on a memorable trip a few years ago. Jackie sent me an enthusiastic review of their adventures and a photo of our pilot and her plane. They started their trip

with an air tour of the fjords near Ketchikan.

Jackie mentioned that they were very pleased with the quality of the lectures that were offered on board. **Bill Lebov** and **Clifton Shea** were also on their ship. During their voyage at sea, they experienced a memorable morning cruise that took them within a half mile of the Hubbard Glacier. Highlights of the land portion included a tour of Denali National Park and an aerial glacier tour of the north side of Denali. They also did several dome train rides.

When I see a Class Notes deadline on my calendar, I know that it is time to start badgering classmates for news. If your email address is on B-Link you may be hearing from me. Thanks to **Bill Shaffer**, a man with a conscience, who responded to my latest plea. Bill writes that he works as a financial adviser with Merrill Lynch in Princeton, N.J., three days a week. With his new work schedule, he enjoys being involved as the senior member of his research team. His wife, **Connie Harrison Shaffer '69**, retired in June after 28 years as a French teacher and head of the language department at the Hun School in Princeton. *Félicitations, Connie!*

With more leisure time, they spend more time at their second home in Georgetown (Washington, D.C.). They are both natives of that area and enjoy exploring the historic sites and wineries of Virginia. Their daughter **Stephanie Shaffer Obe '99** has been teaching first grade for 12 years in the same school district that she attended as a child. Their son Kevin (Hobart '96) is the eastern regional manager for Regal Imports in Moorestown, N.J.

In November, Bill and Connie are taking the entire family, including four grandchildren, 4 to 6, to Disney World for a week.

Terry Hartzell wins my prize for the most tactful response to my email asking for news. He answered with, "What an interesting way to communicate

to fellow classmates." I wrote him a thank you note. Terry retired from IBM 10 years ago after 35 years there. He has been an active member of the Lions Club for many years. He served as district governor and council chair of the New York State Bermuda Lions Club. During his time in office, Terry and his wife, Diane, enjoyed many trips to Asia and Europe and the friends that they made there.

Their greatest joy is spending time with their two grandsons (future Cornell and Bucknell students) in Washington, D.C. Winters are long and cold in central New York so they head south for some Florida sunshine from January through March. After some health issues, Terry is happy to be back at his favorite pastime, playing golf.

My travel plans are usually inspired by the bucket list of places that I have always wanted to visit or places that I want to return to because I went so long ago that I have only vague impressions. Italy has been calling me back. My dear friend **Rita Rapoport Rowan's** description of *la dolce vita en Italia* inspired my wish to spend some time in western Italy during the beautiful sunny fall days. The last time that I was in Italy was with Rita the summer before our junior year at Bucknell.

Wayne Gibbs '74 and I started our journey (after a superb pizza lunch during our train change in Naples) in Sorrento. After several days of exploring those wonderful coastal towns, we took the train north to Orvieto, a picturesque walled city in Umbria that looks like a movie set. Our next stop was Siena and the Tuscan hill towns. After many kilometers of hill climbing, we went on to steeper climbs in the coastal towns of the Cinque Terre. One late afternoon we took the train from Monterosso to Rapallo for a memorable dinner meeting with Rita, her husband, Terry, their son Leigh and daughter-in-law Kim and the newest Rowan, 3-month-old Jeremy.

Apparently, I just missed seeing **Missy Biggs** who was in Rapallo on a cruise the previous week. More on Missy next time. We ended our trip with a weekend in Menaggio on Lake Como. We have many wonderful photos and memories from Italy. The complication is that I have added more places to the "return to" list.

While in Italy, I received exciting news from **Peter Engler**. His first novel, *New & Improved: A Political Thriller*, was published on Amazon in September. It is available in Kindle and paperback editions. Peter describes his book as Madison Avenue meets Pennsylvania Avenue in a compelling story that pits an ex-Navy jet pilot and NYC creative superstar, Ben Coleman, against a frightening Communist conspiracy to assassinate the president in 1992.

He says that it took 10 years for the book to reach publication. Peter was an English major at Bucknell where he was fortunate enough to have profited from the encouragement and patience of Dean Leon Pacala, who is mentioned on the book's appreciation page.

He drew from his experience as a Navy pilot in Vietnam and his 25-year career in advertising to tell the story. The author and his wife, Carole, live in Belvedere, Calif., across the bay from San Francisco where they are members of the San Francisco Yacht Club and have been caught up in the excitement of the America's Cup.

They are proud grandparents of nine grandchildren. Peter is very involved with his career coaching practice that specializes in supporting over-45 career seekers to "find work, not just a job." Web: englercareergroup.com.

Editor's note: Engler's book is reviewed on p.21.

Finally, I have to apologize for a mix-up in the Fall Class Notes. **Connie Gent Layman** is married to **Richard Layman '65**, not Keith (who happens

to be their middle son). Thank you, Connie, for being patient and for having a sense of humor.

Best wishes for a happy and healthy 2014 and please keep in touch. — K.M.

1967

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Chris Klockner West responded to my last set of alumni notes because she was excited to get in contact with **Carol Schultz Rawson**. This is exactly what I hoped would happen with these entries. Chris has lived in Newport, R.I., for 35 years, where she is involved with real estate sales. She has children and grandchildren in Rhode Island and Seattle, which keeps her traveling. She gets together with classmates **Nancy Hamilton Blasius, Natalie Smith Grabow, Betsy Hayes Barrett, Suzanne Mante Alcock** and **Laure Brown**. Email her at cwest@gustavewhite.com.

Tom and Barbara "Boo" McGuire Sturges mostly live in Mt. Lebanon, Pa., although Barbara has been in fundraising for Bucknell for many years, and spends much of her time in Lewisburg and the Northeast in that capacity. Tom says that her hobbies are her work and grandchildren. He has partially retired from the family business, which his son runs. They have grandchildren in the D.C. area, and visit with them frequently. Tom's main hobby is sailing in Deep Creek, Md., Florida and Rhode Island. They are looking forward to our 50th Reunion, coming up sooner than any of us would like to think. Emails: tbsiii@aol.com, Barbara.Sturges@bucknell.edu.

Jim Westerman lives in downtown Chicago. He ran the family manufacturing business. Along the way, he developed

a deep interest in history and archeology, and has traveled extensively to Egypt and Peru. He has written books on the subject. He tells me that, many years ago, he was traveling in Mexico, and was struck by his own lack of knowledge of history and the world in general. He set about to correct this, and became self-taught in these fields. Quite a feat for a mechanical engineering major! Email: Jimw@carbit.com. Web: JamesWesterman.org.

Bob Tate retired from his job as a consultant on employee relations two years ago. He has lived most of his life since Bucknell in Minnesota, and splits his time between the North and Naples, Fla. He plays golf nearly every day. He is proud of his three children and five grandchildren, who remain in Minnesota while he basks in the Florida sun during the winter. Email: rtate@att.net.

Otto and Judy Hauck Ferrari live in Fairfax, Va. He retired from a consulting business, CGI, and makes a point of telling me that he got out before they became part of the recent "difficulties" in signing up for Obamacare. Judy taught English and ESL in public schools until she retired. Otto became a reader, mostly of history, so Virginia is a good place to be. Email: Johfer@aol.com.

Mike Van Aman spent his professional life as a radiologist, teaching at Ohio State and then as the chairman of a large radiology group. He was an early practitioner of interventional radiology, which is a very important part of medical practice. He retired four years ago. Diagnosed with a cancer in his mouth, he had surgery to remove the tumor last year and is doing quite well. An interesting quote, "I spent my whole life finding out that what I do best is doing nothing. I'm doing that very well now." Email: lindava@mac.com.

Paul Ostuni is retired and lives with his wife, Carol, in a lakefront golf community in upstate South Carolina. He

spent his career in life and health insurance administration starting as an actuarial student and progressing to management in a large insurance company. The latter part of his career was spent in insurance administration software as a project manager and consultant.

He says retired life includes visits to and from their combined family of five children and seven grandchildren. Water sports are big — Carol's heritage — so is bridge, and Paul's passion and significant time-consumer is golf. He even used some of his retired hours to publish a book called *Golf from a Different Perspective* that can be previewed or purchased on Amazon. "Rich, Bob, John and the 2D 'bellows' — where are you? Tell Chuck so he can publish here for all to see or email PaulRO@bellsouth.net." — C.G.

1968

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Roberta Carraine Glaser writes with news of an unofficial reunion last June. "Eight women from the Class of '68 traveled from eight different states to celebrate our 45th reunion year in the Berkshire Mountains of Massachusetts because some of us could not attend our official Reunion weekend in Lewisburg. We were from Idiot's Aisle and Crackpot Corner freshman hall groups, and have kept in touch all these years."

She says it was quite a thrill when everyone arrived at the hotel and soon it seemed like only a short time had passed since dorm parties in Larison Hall. Attendees were **Linda Goodwin Powell, Arlene Adams Manning, Kay Glazier Turner, Alice Woltz Durkin, Judy Kerr Ellis, Judy Pitts Griffiths, Marilyn Olson Parks** and Roberta. They were joined by three brave husbands,

Bob Parks '66, Dick Ellis and Bob Durkin.

"Our perfect-weather weekend was filled with adventures, including a hike around an Audubon wildlife refuge (where we scared away all the wildlife by talking constantly), a tour of the Norman Rockwell Museum and delicious meals eaten outdoors." Roberta says several gatherings at the hotel featured wine and appetizers from their various home states, pizza, games, breakfasts, and a "girls' night" late party ("11 p.m. now seems late!").

"Each of us has overcome difficult challenges since our college days, and we were so grateful to be able to enjoy each other's company, to laugh, to reminisce, to share our love and support. The time passed too quickly. Our goal is to reunite at our 50th Reunion at Bucknell, and we look forward to seeing you there," she reports. Phone numbers: 505-293-8110, 505-228-6742. Email: bertag@comcast.net.

From street cop to criminal justice adviser for the U.S. Department of Justice, **Phil Baridon** has attempted to reduce the impact of violent crime and drug trafficking in this country. His latest endeavor is his first novel, *White Death*. The novel describes actual methods used by the early Colombian cartels to smuggle cocaine into the United States after the collapse of the illicit amphetamine market. Police procedures and federal law enforcement activities and priorities accurately reflect the period (1968–69).

Phil tells us that he hasn't taken the opportunity to contribute items to Class Notes, but having retired from the justice department gave him no excuse. "I worked part time as an English-Spanish interpreter for Fairfax County for about three years after leaving 'mother' Justice." Both paper and eBook versions are available from Amazon and most chains.

The Department of Justice conferred 13 major awards on Phil, including a personal congratulation from then President Clinton. He lives in Virginia, but may move to Lewes, Del., where his family lives. Email: philcfii@verizon.net.

Kathy Fenton Wagner was one of the attendees for our 45th Reunion. She followed up with an email reporting, "Left a fun and rewarding career at the Philadelphia Zoo in 2008 and jumped into management consulting for zoos and other nonprofits across the country doing strategic, business and master planning, fundraising and organizational development and really loving it." Web: zooadvisors.com.

She says she stays connected to the nonprofit conservation/education field, travels and works with some fascinating people. Her volunteer activities include serving as president of the board of trustees of the Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education in Philadelphia; board of the New Jersey Academy for Aquatic Sciences; and tutoring homeless men in Philadelphia.

"I split my time between home in Bala Cynwyd, Pa., and a vacation cottage on a tiny lake in south Jersey, enjoying canoeing, kayaking, gardening and time with husband, Jeff, and the best dog in the world, our rescued Newfoundland, Ben. When I'm not traveling for work, I enjoy travel that includes outdoor adventure with culture — why do I feel like I'm writing something for match.com?" Email: kfwagner7@msn.com.

I heard from **Connie Adler Andrews** who reported that **Janet Ferguson Weber** of Pinehurst, N.C., died July 12, 2013, after a short and courageous battle with brain cancer.

Janet graduated from North Penn High School in 1964 and from Bucknell in 1968. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and was president of the sorority in her senior year.

Connie writes, "She touched many lives as a wonderful wife, daughter, sister, mother, grandmother, friend and high school English teacher. Janet was known for both her beauty and her intellect. She enjoyed golf, reading, traveling with her husband and spending time with friends and family."

"Janet was a woman whose focus was always on others. She enriched the lives of her Alpha Chi classmates by gathering us for a reunion in 2003 at her home in Atlanta. We laughed and shared pictures, and since then have had adventures across the country and shared our lives with reunions every two years."

"In October 2013, Alpha Chis **Cindy Helgren Skelton, Bobbie Helmcke Garlock, Marcy Glendening Lagerloef, Connie Andrews, Cynthia Cox Wilcox** and **Nancy Wheeler Schmoyer** met at Nancy's home in Charlottesville, Va., to once again remember our days at Bucknell and share our common grief in the loss of our treasured friend, Janet."

She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Bob Weber, two children and three grandchildren. — G.V.

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Stann Givens, partner at Givens Givens Sparks law firm, was included in *The Best Lawyers in America 2013* in the field of marital and family law. Stann has been practicing family law in the Tampa Bay, Fla., area for more than 30 years.

After 11 years, **David Logan** announced he will step down as dean of Roger Williams University School of Law in Bristol, R.I. He plans to return to teaching full time at the school. David is a frequent commentator on legal issues and has appeared on "The O'Reilly Factor," "Fox News," "NBC Evening News," "Nightline," "Morning Edition," "All Things Considered" and "Marketplace."

He earned a master's from the University of Wisconsin and a juris doctor from the University of Virginia. He was a varsity basketball player, head DJ of the campus radio station and a music critic for *Rolling Stone*.

1972

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Debbie Stratton Mott reports that Class of '72 friends and spouses got together in August at Chautauqua Lake, N.Y., for a long weekend and a wonderful mini-reunion, hosted by **Don and Pam Schwartz Dickson** at their family cottage. The group included Jonathan and **Robin Bitterlich Moll**, Kemper and **Nicki Drew Campbell**, Gary and **Susan Conn Ripple** and Roger and Debbie. "And while at Chautauqua, we also ran into **Sandy Selby '74** and

Polly Eckel Percy '70."
'ray Bucknell!

Paul Landes wrote a sequel to his first novel, *Wings to Redemption*, called *Latitude 87.7*. This mystery thriller is available on Amazon. — A.S.B.

1973

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I am writing the column for this issue from my hotel room in Lewisburg while back for Homecoming. It was great to catch up with Sandra and **Ivan Kramer** at dinner tonight. I hope to see more classmates tomorrow.

Jeff Marek regrets missing our Reunion in June. He used starting up a plant in Hefei, China, as a sour excuse. A month prior to his three months in China he went on one of his annual adventures to collect countries. This one was to four Middle Eastern countries. He said Petra, Jordan, was amazing but Oman was the neatest country. Jeff works at Eastman Chemical Company and has no plans to retire. As always, he invites any of you heading for the Smokies or hiking the Appalachian Trail to stop by Kingsport, Tenn.

On July 27, 2013, William "Biff" Hayes and **Ann Leiphart Unholz '74** were married in Palmerton, Pa. In attendance were **Kathy Colston '74**, **Jane Heinze-Fry '74** and **Martha Wood Hyder '74**. They will live in Palmerton where Biff is the pastor of Grace United Church of Christ, Tannersville, and Ann will work as a registered nurse. — S.L.C.

1974

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Carrie Ledgerwood '06, daughter of **Bill and Dee Trout Ledgerwood**, married Charles Pulliam on Oct. 12, 2013, in Nashville, Tenn. Charles hails from Alaska and the couple met in Nashville. Dee and Bill's sons, their wives and four grandsons attended the wedding. They are **David '99** and **Adrienne Kauffman Ledgerwood '99** and sons Will, 4, and Carter, 1, and Regina and **Mark Ledgerwood '01** and their sons Gabriel, 3, and Caleb, 1. Dee and Bill's grandsons are possible future Bucknellians.

Dee's mother/Carrie's grandmother, **Leanne Freas Trout '50** also attended the wedding. There were many other Bucknellians in attendance, including **Karen Morton Stier**, **Jay Kandle**, **Glenn McLaughlin** and **Paul Ledgerwood '77**. — N.C.

1975

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I was grateful to hear from fellow cyclist **Scott Kerr**, who for the past two years has done the Ride the Rockies in Colorado. He writes that last year was "480 miles, 30,000 feet of climbing, four mountain passes and the grand finale through Rocky Mountain National Park via Trail Ridge Road, topping out around 12,200 feet ... This year was 545 miles and only 24,000 feet of climbing — a veritable breeze." Scott rides with **Tim Williamson** each year in the Potomac Peddlers Backroads

Century, a ride that consists of a few thousand riders "poking along hill and dale through the Shenandoah River Valley."

Next year Scott says he plans to ride the Great Allegheny Passage/C&O Canal route from Pittsburgh to D.C. with Tim. And his next dream ride — once he finds a way to take some time off from his consulting work, leadership development and executive coaching with global organizations, and a few other people crazy enough to come along — will be the Trans-America ride from West Coast to East Coast. Keep me posted and keep pedaling, Scott.

My husband's next dream ride is the Pacific Coast route from Vancouver to the southern tip of California. That's probably a year away since we are heading to Alaska next summer. We keep adding to our bucket list. — N.Q.B.

1976

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Brian McCarthy sent a great update on his ventures since graduation. He went into his father's business of flower shops with his sister **Linda McCarthy Flynn '79** and hopefully soon his other sister **Nancie McCarthy '81**. Over the years they have grown the business from a small retail chain to 35 flower shops in 13 states. If you are in Chicago you may know Amlings, in Denver it would be Lehrer's, in Long Island they own James Cress Florist and in the Raleigh area they own Fallon's. They are the largest brick-and-mortar florist in the country. Web: flowerfolks.com.

He is most enthusiastic about his new venture though, which is a renovated golf

course and club in Daufuskie Island, S.C., called Bloody Point Golf Club. Brian says he has always loved golf so he decided to take a chance and "resurrect a bankrupt jewel" two years ago. It has reopened and Brian says he would love to see Bucknellians visit. It's off of Hilton Head for a short ride from Savannah. Besides the course, refurbished by the Love Group, it has great wildlife, beaches and an oceanside bed and breakfast. He says to mention "ray Bucknell" when making your reservations. Web: bloodypoint.com. — G.W.F. and M.L.K

1977

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Your Class Notes reporter is on the move again. Carl and I are leaving for Albania before the end of the year. I'm honored to have been asked to serve as the executive assistant to the new U.S. ambassador. When I warned him that I had limited experience in running an ambassador's office, he said he hadn't selected me for my managerial skills, but for my sense of humor.

One of the major goals of my state department career has been not to cause an international incident, and I've been successful to date largely because I haven't been working on the front lines of diplomacy. I understand that the Albanians are easygoing, but if you turn on CNN one morning and hear a late-breaking report about a major diplomatic crisis in Tirana, listen for the (rueful) laughter. Closer to home, dear friend **Kathy Lee McElhany Thornton** and I got together for lunch with our respective spouses in September. Good to be with her to reminisce about the old days and catch up on more recent happenings.

PASSING THE BATON — NEXT GEN OPERA

Buck Ross '77 could boast about founding the Moores Opera Center at the University of Houston, one of the largest and most respected university opera production programs in the country. He could announce that he has produced and directed hundreds of operas — both at Moores and for regional opera companies across the U.S. — including more works by contemporary composers than most opera directors stage in a lifetime. He could point to the work he's done as an opera translator and librettist, or to his pioneering work using supertitles and projected scenery. And yes, he's proud of all these accomplishments, but what gratifies Ross most is working with his opera students at the University of Houston.



"I know what a life-changing experience my time in theatre at Bucknell was, and I want to provide that same experience for others," says Ross, a professor of opera. The legendary Harvey Powers mentored Ross at Bucknell, as did Richard Isackes, who taught theatre from 1974 to 1976.

Ross says he got involved in Bucknell theatre "on a lark," enrolling in an acting class for a humanities credit. He was cast as Pentheus in Euripides' *The Bacchae*, and was "awed by how the designer and the director brought to life what I thought was a dead work. I was completely smitten," he says.

Ross acted in a few more Bucknell productions but chose not to pursue acting professionally. "I was a decent actor, but I am interested in everything and innately bossy," he jokes. "I am comfortable making thousands of decisions every day that will affect the whole project." Thus, a director. And why opera? Actually, Isackes suggested that. Ross came into Bucknell as a music and math major. He quickly dropped the math, but he loved music, particularly classical. Isackes suggested that Ross investigate opera, and it became a passion.

Ross went on to earn an MFA in stage direction from the University of Minnesota and was hired by the University of Houston to run a training program for post-graduate opera students. He quickly spotted an even greater opportunity — founding the opera program for master's level students that he has directed for nearly 30 years. He directs and produces four full-length, fully staged operas at Moores annually, overseeing the work of 60 singers, 50 musicians and 20 crew members.

"It's really like a regional opera company," Ross says, "but I get to work in a university environment and provide that kind of eye-opening experience for students that I once had at Bucknell." — *Theresa Gawlas Medoff '85, P'13*

Albania is nicely situated east of Italy (across the Adriatic), nestled by Greece, Macedonia, Kosovo and Montenegro. Come to visit — Carl's retired from the wearisome working world and thinking about "Balkan travel expert" as his next endeavor.

David Gross was selected by his peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America* 2014. Recognized for commercial litigation, David earned his law degree at the George Washington University School of Law. His firm, Helsell Fetterman, is located in Seattle. — E.L.S.

1978

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I am finding tidbits of news I scribbled on notepaper while enjoying Reunion. One such note I found was a reminder to look at ArtfullyReimagined.com. I encourage all of you to do so as well. This online store, which was co-founded by **Pam Adams Chamberlain**, contains curated collections of furnishings, jewelry, home

décor, art and more that have been "artfully repurposed." Everything on the site has been reclaimed and upcycled by artists around the United States. Five percent of the profits are donated to artists who are devoted to creating works from disposable items.

Peter and Kathy Robinson Manning moved to St. Louis, Mo. Pete, a cardiothoracic surgeon, joined the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis as a professor of surgery and part of the medical staff of St. Louis Children's Hospital. Prior to the move, he was the director of cardiothoracic surgery at Cincinnati Children's

Hospital. He was the 2003 recipient of the Bucknell Outstanding Achievement in a Chosen Profession Award. Pete's dad, **Donald Manning '52**, received the 2012 Alumni Association Award for Loyalty to Bucknell.

The press release announcing the award contained a great tale about Pete: it seems that when he was in first grade the class was asked to recite words beginning with the "B" sound. One classmate said "baby," another shouted out "bear" and Pete, of course, said "Bucknell."

Robert Bostwick shared news about Bostwick Design Partnership, of which he is president and director of design. The firm received the Gold Medal Firm Award for 2013 from the Ohio Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. This is the highest honor that AIA Ohio can bestow on an architectural firm. Recent projects in St. Louis; NYC; Las Vegas; Erie, Pa.; Rochester, N.Y.; and Weston, Fla., have expanded the firm's presence beyond Ohio. Clients include higher education institutions, healthcare entities and public libraries.

Please drop me a line and let me know your "news." — K.M.A.

1979

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Carl McMorran and **Don Ware** along with **Pat Connelly '76** competed in and won the New England Water Works Association 7th Annual Aging Infrastructure Simulation Contest at the 2013 conference.

The contest publicizes how aging water systems are said to be held together with "paper clips, band-aids and chewing gum." The challenge is to build the highest water tank

(simulated with a plastic cup) that will hold water without collapsing, using only plastic straws, paper clips, rubber bands and other office supplies. Team 'ray Bucknell won the contest and bragging rights for the next year, despite handicapping the two engineers (Pat and Don) with a biologist (Carl).

OK, fellow alumni of the Class of '79, that is all the news received since the last *Bucknell Magazine* came out. I expect my mailbox to be bursting over with news from Homecoming Weekend. If not, well, I will have to tell you all about my darling, cute, sweet, adorable two-year-old granddaughter and oh, would you like to hear about our trip to Niagara Falls? Hint, hint. — A.S.

1980

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This is Homecoming Weekend and perhaps some classmates are in attendance, catching up with old pals or visiting children who are students. I will not be there but my niece **Abigail Crane '13**, who is staying with me for a few months, is headed there to meet up with friends and family.

Elaine Christo Watkins writes about a reunion with her Delta Gamma little sis, **Carolyn Levy Hoopes '81**, after 33 years. She says, "We got together in Asheville, N.C., where I was attending my stepdad's memorial service. Carolyn, a.k.a. Fred, lives and works in Charlotte. We had so much fun and picked up right where we left off, a trick made easier by the fact that we've both also earned degrees from the school of hard knocks (an occupational hazard of being our age). I flew in from Santa Rosa, Calif., where I'm semi-retired in wine country."

Elaine says they are hoping for a bigger reunion with **Wendy**

Spiegel Weiss '78 down the line. Email: ecwatkins2@gmail.com.

Over the summer I had a visit from Fourth Harris pal **Deb Cassara**, who was on her way from south Jersey where she was visiting another freshman year pal, **Barb Pratt**. Deb remains in Port Jervis, N.Y., and teaches math in her hometown high school — a real "Welcome Back Kotter" story. By now she's teaching children of former students. My guess is that Deb is not the only one who could retire now from a first career and move on to a second. Am I making you feel old?

Hope to hear from others about their mini reunions and life changes. — D.L.H.

1981

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Happy New Year all! Hope everyone enjoyed spending time with their families over the holidays and that 2014 holds happiness and promise for all in the class.

Right before deadline, I received a "first ever" email from **Lisa McComsey**. Waiting 32 years to write is better than not writing at all. Lisa's life since Lewisburg has been exciting, adventurous and full. After Bucknell, she moved to NYC, where she spent 12 years working primarily in the magazine publishing industry as a copywriter. Eventually tiring of corporate and urban life, she moved to Costa Rica, then Baja, Mexico, to work as a volunteer English teacher for several years.

Finding herself "homeless" upon re-entry, she camped out at her parents' place temporarily at the Jersey Shore, met her now ex-husband and ultimately settled in her hometown, Toms River, N.J.

Over the ensuing decade, Lisa co-owned a marketing company, resumed her

copywriting career — she is freelance copy director at *Allure* magazine — and, four years ago, decided to go vegan on a whim. After her one-month "trial period," she was shocked to realize she loved being vegan and became a convert. Little did she know how much it would change her life.

Aside from feeling great, she co-authored a book with her friend, a former *People* magazine colleague and vegan. *The Vegan Cheat Sheet* was published by Penguin USA in July 2013. It's a take-everywhere guide to plant-based eating, with shopping lists; restaurant, travel, nutrient and socializing guides; 100-plus recipes; a 21-day meal plan and all the other good stuff you need to know to "switch teams." Web: vegancheatsheet.com. Facebook: [facebook.com/vegancheatsheet](https://www.facebook.com/vegancheatsheet).

Lisa, in her spare time (!), is a marathon runner having completed 25 marathons (including 15 in New York). She lives in Island Heights, N.J., and works part time in NYC. She would love to connect with fellow Bucknellians. She says she occasionally sees **Eileen Hirschfeld** and **Steve Gross '80**, **Chris Kwong '80** and **Nick Spennato**, and she ran into **Kathy Nemes Cassidy** at a house tour in Toms River. So great to hear from you, Lisa. Email: lisa@lisa-mccomsey.com.

Editor's note: McComsey's book is reviewed on p.21.

In October, I saw on Facebook that **Lisa Hoff Bartlett** and **Michele Fugere Morris** were in Rome at the same time. So I posted to both and said they should try to meet up. They each responded saying that they had figured out in the weeks preceding their trips that they would be in Rome at the same time and had made a plan to meet. Apparently it all worked out, and they had a great time seeing each other after many years. Lisa lives in Michigan and Michelle in Colorado. So fun!

I received the exciting news that the Ray E. Helfer Society,

an international organization of physicians dedicated to treating and preventing child abuse, presented its highest honor to our own **Cindy Weinberg Christian**, chair of child abuse and neglect prevention at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. The Helfer Society is an honorary association of child abuse physicians from around the world who are leaders in the field. The Helfer Award is given annually to the member of the society who has made significant contributions to the field of child abuse pediatrics.

Cindy developed and then brought to individual doctors' offices an educational program to help "front line" healthcare providers recognize and respond effectively to child abuse and neglect cases. She co-edited the third edition of the classic text *Child Abuse: Medical Diagnosis and Management*.

A member of the CHOP medical staff since 1989, Cindy also serves as professor of pediatrics at The Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania. She has published and lectured widely on a variety of topics, notably abusive head trauma, biomechanics of injury, bone fractures, sexual abuse and poisoning and has also made significant additions to the knowledge base of child maltreatment prevention.

Cindy has received numerous awards and honors including the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching at the University of Pennsylvania and the Pediatrician of the Year Award from the Pennsylvania chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. She has also been named to the CHOP Faculty Teaching Honor Roll multiple times.

And I am certain that when Cindy reads all of this in our class column, she will hate the accolades. Sorry, Cindy, but we are all understandably proud of you and I had to share.

I heard from **Gwyn English-Nielsen**, who had exciting

news that she graduated in May with a master's in creative writing and literature for educators from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, N.J. The program included only 20 English teachers from all over the country and was conducted entirely online via Blackboard. The degree will give Gwyn a \$5,000 raise at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High where she teaches English literature and she's hoping to start up an after-school acting workshop.

Gwyn spent last summer performing in an original one-act play called "Aquasize" at

Chatham (N.J.) Playhouse. After so many years of writing for and directing teens, returning to the stage as a legitimate performer was quite daunting but she enjoyed it. Harvey Powers would be proud! **Debbie Hennel '80** attended, as did some other Bucknell friends. Congrats on everything. Gwyn! — C.C.R.

1982

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ALL-STAR AERONAUTICS

Upon learning he was the 2013 winner of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) Mechanics and Control of Flight Award, **Gene Morelli '81** (mechanical engineering) immediately perused the list of those who had won the award since its 1967 inception.

"A lot of them have written books that are on my bookshelf," says Morelli, a NASA aerospace research engineer for more than 25 years. "And I recognized every name on that list. I was a little surprised to be put in that group but also very pleased. It's like being on an all-star team, in our little world anyway."

According to the AIAA citation, Morelli was honored for pioneering research and innovative scientific contributions in the area of aircraft system identification. Aircraft system identification, he says, involves designing and conducting flight test experiments, analyzing the resulting data and building mathematical models that mimic the behavior of real aircraft.

Morelli co-authored *Aircraft System Identification: Theory and Practice*, a widely used textbook that was published in 2006. Beginning around 1988, when he was studying for his doctorate and working at NASA Langley Research Center in Hampton, Va., Morelli wrote, tested and validated a software package called SIDPAC (System Identification Programs for AirCRAFT) that solves aircraft system identification problems.

"Over 25 years or so, I built up this software toolbox that's over 350 programs for doing tasks related to aircraft system identification," he says. "That toolbox comes with the textbook. And the textbook and toolbox are in use by more than 80 organizations around the world."

As a senior at Bucknell, Morelli took a course in aerodynamics taught by the late Charley Coder, longtime chairman of the mechanical engineering department, and left school thinking his field of interest was aircraft engines.

His focus changed at Princeton, where he received a master's in aerospace engineering. Morelli went to NASA Langley in 1986 to work and to pursue his doctorate in aerospace engineering through a satellite program George Washington University had there. He soon realized he had found his calling.

"I told my wife, a long time ago, when I was a student, 'If I ever get hired on at NASA, I'll probably never leave, because it's such a great place to work,'" Morelli says. "I was hired and never did leave — and it's been exciting." — Jack Etkin

We were in Baltimore this fall for a family wedding and had a chance to have lunch with **Jeff '83** and **Helen Roby Kennelly**. Helen shared many stories about their daughter's wedding with us. What made it even more fun was that we were in Baltimore a year ago for another wedding the weekend that **Matt Fiery '10** proposed to **Lynn Kennelly '10**. So I feel as if I have been a fly on a wall watching the story unfold. This was truly a Bucknell wedding from start to finish.

Helen said Lynn and Matt teased that their future together was part of a master plan

hatched by their parents, Helen and Jeff and **Roger '81** and **Cheryl Cole Fiery**, over 30 years ago when Roger was Jeff's pop in SAE. Lynn and Matt were best buddies as babies and had many play dates until their social lives picked up during kindergarten.

"Reuniting on freshman move-in day at Bucknell in the fall of 2006, we parents should have seen the sparks at the Chips off the Old Block reception. Their four years at Bucknell flew by and the families enjoyed reconnecting. On July 13, 2013, Lynn and Matt were married surrounded by friends and family, including more than 30 Bucknellians with graduation years spanning 1981-2012." Joining the celebration were **Nancy Pultz Blackmore**, **Chris and Carol Israel Casten**, **Annie Peters Magnant**, her daughter, Maggie, and Atul and **Martha Gilman Pradhan**. Also in attendance were Becky and **Drew McCarriar '81**, **Chris and Bill Reynolds '81** and **Suzanne Valley Flinchbaugh M'04** (David missed the fun due to a conflict in scheduling).

"Weddings are a time for joy and celebration and this wedding had those elements with a healthy dose of 'ray Bucknell. We parents couldn't be happier to have the families united and are delighted that Matt and Lynn have stayed in the area." Helen says I need to find another cousin to get married in Baltimore so I can continue the tradition of visiting and having lunch at Miss Shirley's with them every fall.

More Bucknell fun is happening with my son **Steven '12**. He made the move to Boston with us last year and lives with two of his Delta Upsilon brothers in a rental house about a half hour from us. They came over to watch football and all three had on Bucknell sweatshirts. It makes me happy to see that Steven has made the same strong bonds with his Bucknell friends that I have.

In a "Bucknell is a small world story," last summer

my book group went over to Newburyport, Mass., to go on a boat ride with one of the members of the group who I had not met yet. It turns out our host was **Sherry Irving Albert '80**. I do love meeting new Bucknellians. Her husband took us on a beautiful ride to the Isle of Shoals, off the coast of Rye, N.H. We had dinner and did eventually get around to talking about our book. Sherry splits her time between Newburyport and Killington, Vt.

Gary Resnick was re-elected to serve as a member of the board of directors for both the Florida League of Cities and the Florida League of Mayors. Resnick has served in these roles since 2003 and 2009, respectively.

Between Reunions, we always seem to hit a lull in news. If you have some fun news to share or have a memorable Bucknell reunion, send me an email. This column is as good as you make it. Have a great holiday season. — B.G.K.

1983

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I spent a gorgeous, long October weekend with dear old friends at **Laurie Holben Fine's** wonderful beach house on Hilton Head. Joining in the festivities were **Sara Allen Lepkofker**, who organized a relaxing Friday afternoon at a local spa for the group; **Meg Barron Born**, who departed early to watch her twins play in a baseball tournament in Florida; **Caroline Dillon Marren**; **Eileen McCarthy Born**; **Nancy Harvey Worrell**, who outdid herself this year with our annual Bucknell themed gift bags; **Stacey Smollen Bernhard**; and **Karen Fracas Monaghan**, who arranged our Sunday morning beach yoga.

All are doing well. We laughed lots, ate great food,

enjoyed the beach and especially enjoyed each other's company.

The evening before our beach reunion, Nancy and her husband, Eric, attended a Bucknell Professional Network event in San Francisco, which was moderated by our classmate **Mike Toole**, a civil and environmental engineering professor and associate dean of the College of Engineering. Nancy was so happy to visit with Mike before and after the event.

The Worrell family will be cheering for the Bison at the Bucknell vs. Stanford basketball game with **Nancy McGrath O'Neal's** family and **Tom Rickey '76**. They'll join more than 100 other West Coast Bucknellians. — T.T.E. *Editor's note: In the Fall 2013 issue, we misidentified Lonnie Fertik Williard. The note should have read, "Lonnie Fertik Williard and Karen Fracas Monaghan kept us laughing with stories from their Saturday kayaking adventure on the Susquehanna." We apologize for the confusion.*

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It was great to visit with my Alpha Chi sister **Beth Hopper Allgaier '85** and her daughter Kristin (9th grade), who attended the Begin the Journey program during Homecoming Weekend. I also met their daughter **Kit '17**, who is a freshman. They enjoyed visiting the Alpha Chi suite, and we all enjoyed Tailgate and the big Homecoming win against Lehigh! — G.D.T.

1985

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Sadly no news was sent to me since the last *Bucknell Magazine* deadline. Hope that is not the case next time around.

Personally, my family and I got to spend time with **Victor and Barbara Goodale Berutti '87** after they dropped their son off to start his freshman year at Bucknell. I also had the pleasure of spending some time with **Brian DeWitt** through a mutual friend at my daughter's soccer tournament this summer. It really is a small world.

Hope all is well. Take care!
— C.R.T.

1986

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Not too much news submitted, except this lovely update from **Theza Griesman Friedman '85**. "Had a fantastic summer of reunions with some of the Bucknell clan. A weekend at the beach with **Deb Tice Weaver**, **Patti Struble Flannery** and **Amy DeLuca Kafaf**." She reports a fun-filled time with laughter, memories and a couple of excellent questions such as: If you could do it all over again, with no strings attached, what would you do for a living? And what one or two words would you want to describe you after you are gone?

"Very interesting answers and we would all have changed our majors. Saw **Lauren Moores '85**, **Lisa Keuker '85**, **Mary Samori Moran**, **Carmen Zambrano Sargent**, **LB Reddington '85** and **Ruth Kauffman** upon her return

from her latest, amazing project overseas helping women in need. Ruth is an inspiration to all of us, and we had a blast reminiscing and hanging at Lauren's pad in NYC."

Theza says LB, a fifth grade science teacher, came for a weekend to visit them at home with kayaking a highlight of that trip. "Glad we didn't somehow manage to flip our little ship."

Theza talks "somewhat regularly" with **Phylliss Kreis Hill**, who lives in Wellesley, Mass., with her hubby and daughter, Audrey. She missed her usual summer visit there, but is ever grateful for her friendship and steadfastness. "**Bambi Kapp** and her family came for a visit not that long ago. Also a great time, as we celebrate knowing each other for 39-plus years. Bob and I enjoyed hosting **Mike Ward '85** for a weekend visit, too. Mike has become like a big brother to me over the years, and we never get to see him enough."

She says she partakes in an annual oyster eating competition — the Oyster Bowl — in Princeton, N.J., every year, which is a fundraiser for Susan G. Komen for the Cure. It is held at the Blue Point Grill, which is owned by a parent of a Bucknellian. "I was really PO'd when some newcomer ousted me from my rightful spot as Women's Champ a couple of years ago ... even worse when it happened to be a fellow Bucknellian who graduated 20 years after us."

Theza always sports a Bucknell sweatshirt for good luck, so the new champ pegged her. "I won't mention her name — 20 years my junior and a Bucknellian, just ain't right. If you need to see this festivity, feel free to search for 'Theza Oyster Bowl' on YouTube. It isn't pretty, but possibly my only claim to my two minutes of fame. Ever. I compete in this event every year on Super Bowl Sunday. It is a blast, and there is only room for one Bucknellian on top, so move over girlfriend!"

ONE STEP AT A TIME

R. Anne Herman '84 knows what it's like to join a boys' club. Shortly after graduating from Bucknell, Herman began working for Mine Safety Appliances (MSA), the world's leading manufacturer of safety equipment, as an applications chemist. She joined a team of eight men and one woman. She saw few women in management positions to act as role models.

"I had to figure it out," she says. "I observed the behaviors of men, and I observed the behaviors of other women too. You have to figure out how you can connect with people and what they respond to."

Today, women entering the STEM fields — science, technology, engineering and mathematics — have more female role models to emulate, including Herman. Now MSA's director of global quality, Herman oversees quality standards at production plants in 10 countries. This year, she received a Women in Manufacturing STEP (Science, Technology, Engineering and Production) Award naming her one of 122 women making meaningful contributions in American manufacturing. The award is designed to recognize, promote, advance and retain the most capable women in scientific and engineering fields.

But Herman says many young female graduates remain hesitant to enter manufacturing, perceiving it as a male-dominated business. Men also dominate many of the science and engineering-heavy industries forming MSA's customer base, including mining and oil and gas extraction companies. As the need for STEM specialists will continue to grow over the next decade, Herman hopes she can inspire more young women to pursue careers in manufacturing and other science-based industries.

"A lot of kids in high school start to worry that they can't do it," Herman says. "Seeing role models — other people who have done it — gives them confidence that they can. I think women can be successful and feel comfortable in these roles, but I think it helps them feel comfortable when they see other women in the same roles." — *Matt Hughes*



In addition to an Oyster Bowl rematch, Theza says she's looking forward to the holidays with our annual bash, which started New Year's Eve 1984 with mostly Bucknellians in NYC. "It is no longer a New Year's party, and involves people from every part of our life, but we have never missed a year. At the last one, we had **Brian Dewitt '85**, **Steve Hawtof '85**, **Jon Bennett**, **Amy DeLuca Kafaf**, **Amy Polonsky Lloyd '85** and **Doug Robinson '85** among others."

Doug Nelson '85 made almost all of the soirees, and he is doing well in Fort Lauderdale, his new home. Theza says, "We have had some great visits with him, and our kids adore their 'Uncle Biff.' My brother, **Dwight '79**, is busy in Arlington, Mass., with my excellent niece and nephews. He is the CMO for High Street Partners in the Boston area."

Theza reports that she and Bob are happy, and their kids Theza, 11, and AJ, 9, are precocious, healthy and very funny. "Theza thinks she wants to go to Bucknell. AJ says Florida, where Bob went. I tell him that can be his safety school ... As we like to say, 'the Friedmans bleed blue and orange.' She also says they had the pleasure of seeing **Don Kraft '87** several times over the past few years while he worked in their area. They were his on-location crash pad."

My husband, **Robb**, and I were at Bucknell for Family Weekend in September. Our son **Ryan '17** is a first-year living in Swartz and loving college. We were delighted to see other friends from our class who have students in the Class of 2017, too. — *J.D.C.*

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Though the kids are teenagers, I have always loved Halloween. A rainy night this year, I was home passing out the candy when my newer neighbor, **Mike Swanson '93**, announced his Bucknell connection. Seems he was reading his *Bucknell Magazine* and made the link.

Mike is from Warren, Pa., and makes his home in Pittsburgh, with wife, Regina, and three cute little kids.

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Well, we have survived the holidays and are on to the joys of winter here in the Northeast. While ice-skating, sleigh riding and skiing are terrific benefits of winter, shoveling snow is not a fan favorite in this household. The thoughts of reunions with other Bucknellians are sure to keep us warm.

Last fall I was able to get together with **Ashby Jones McDonald** and her family with an impromptu visit to Annapolis, Md. It was great to catch up with her family — we were able to pick up right where we left off from our Bucknell days.

Ethan O'Shea is a principal in the law firm of Hamburg, Rubin, Mullin, Maxwell & Lupin, PC, and has spent 14 years in their litigation department. He spoke on the topics of the perils of independent contractor misclassifications,

employment background checks and workplace investigations at a Montgomery Pennsylvania Bar Association continuing legal education course. His practice focuses on commercial litigation, employment law and criminal law. Go, Ethan!

Keep those updates coming. Stay safe and be well. — L.M.O.

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Mitchell Blumenfeld was hired as chief financial officer at Packaging Coordinators Inc. in Philadelphia. He earned a master's from Virginia Tech.

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Danielle Spina was inducted into the International Honor Society of Education, Kappa Delta Pi, at Saint Peter's University. She earned an MBA from Saint Peter's and continued taking graduate education classes in teaching and business administration. An event was held for all of the recipients and it was truly a special evening.

1993

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A light report this season ... the Class of '93 must be hung over

from the awesome Reunion!

After much begging, I did get the following submission from **Kiran Mishra Smith**. "Quick update on the job front. After 10 years trying to convince people that grocery shopping was much more fun than they were giving it credit for, I decided it was time for a change. I joined the Stride Rite Children's Group as the vice president of marketing. My goal is to make sure that all kids love their Stride Rites. Keds, Sauconys, Sperrys or Merrells. Among the biggest benefit of the new job is the employee discount. With three girls, we could go broke trying to keep up with the number of shoes they seem to have."

Kiran reports they adopted a three-year-old puppy named Winston in order to help address the gender imbalance in their home. "Just some more craziness in the Smith household." — C.Z.

1994

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Jason Banonis, shareholder in the Bethlehem office of Marshall Dennehey Warner Coleman & Goggin, was elected to the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Defense Institute at the organization's annual conference. Comprising lawyers and insurance professionals from across the state, the PDI provides education and networking opportunities for those who defend damages suits and administer claims. In addition to his legal practice, Jason is chairman of the Lower Saucon Township Zoning Hearing Board.

Kirsten Werner writes, "I married Jared Leonard on Oct. 5, 2013. We had an informal, self-uniting ceremony with Jared's kids, Mackenzie and

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Davis, as our 'attendants' under a big oak tree by our pond. Then a party in our barn afterwards! After a nice get-away to the Adirondacks for some much-needed relaxing, life has gone back to normal ... kids, pets, jobs and house renovation projects."

Kirsten works as the director of communications for Natural Lands Trust, one of the oldest land conservation organizations in eastern Pennsylvania. "I love what I do and I get to work at a nature preserve every day. I wanted to be surrounded by nature at home, too, so having land was a big factor when we bought our old farmhouse in Chadds Ford, Pa., last year. Our house search was actually chronicled on the HGTV series 'House Hunters' in February, which was a wild experience."

Congratulations to both of them. Everyone else, please feel free to send some news my way! — S.A.S.

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Greetings, Class of '96! Since taking on my new role as class reporter, I'm happy to report that I have seen a number of classmates in person. This summer, I had the pleasure of visiting with **Sarah Damico Alles** and her younger daughter, Molly, while I was in Pennsylvania. Sarah lives in West Chester, Pa., with her husband, Brad, and two daughters.

Andrea Fisher Berkley and I met in NYC in August with our daughters to see "Annie" on Broadway. Andrea lives

in Westport, Conn., with her husband, **Evan**, and their three children and new puppy.

Betsy Leichtfuss Kunau and I meet at the Long Beach Aquarium with our children several times a year. Betsy lives in Orange, Calif., with her husband, Jim, and daughter, Caroline.

I'm planning to see **Amy Rowe Klement** in November in Palo Alto, Calif., where she lives with her husband, Judd, and their son, Oscar. Aside from seeing all of these lovely ladies, **Pete Gorski** and I had a long chat over the phone for the first time in years. He lives in New Jersey with his wife and two sons.

As for me, I live in Los Angeles with my husband, Brian, and our two daughters. I'd love to report news from more of you, so please find me on Facebook or email me. It's always fun to hear from fellow Bucknellians. Hope everyone is doing well! — A.H.W.

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Ryan and Sarah Nellson Zollner moved out to the East Bay of San Francisco in January 2012 so Sarah could take a new opportunity with Heinz. They also welcomed their third child. Jack Ryan was born June 4, 2013, and is a very happy and healthy baby. His sisters Anna, 7, and Noelle, 4, are very happy to have a new baby brother.

Charles and **Jennifer Raffetto Gale** welcomed Rachel Victoria, born Feb. 22, 2013, to their family in Abington, Mass. Email: jgale@brede.com.

Candice and **Erik Volland** welcomed their second child on July 1, 2013 — a daughter named Summer Mary-Rose. She joins her brother Nathaniel, 2. Erik is an individual financial adviser with TIAA-CREF in Chapel Hill, N.C. He writes,

"It's very nice to be back in the college environment as most of my clients are faculty/staff at UNC-Chapel Hill and NC State."

Anne and **Jeremy** celebrated their twins' (Emilia Claire and Evelyn Grace) first birthday on June 21, 2013.

Renee and **Doug Waage**, and their daughter Olivia, 5, welcomed Carter Lewis to their family on May 3, 2013. Doug was also promoted to assistant portfolio manager on the \$2 billion Growth and Income mutual fund at First Investors, where he has worked for the last eight years.

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Alyssa Gady Dubin and her husband welcomed Samuel Augustus on Aug. 3, 2013. Sam joins brother Caleb, 7, and sister Laina, 4. The family lives in West Tisbury, Mass. — H.M.L.

1999

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Ed and Debby Saxton Graf welcomed a son, Conner John, born on July 18, 2013. He joins sisters Ellie, 6, and Katie, 5, and brother Lucas, 1. They live in Chester Springs, Pa.

Joe and Laura Stolting DeGennaro welcomed their third child on Nov. 6, 2012 — a little girl named Sabrina Grace. She joins her brother Christian, 7, and sister Tessa, 4. Joe began a new job in March with the CohnReznick Advisory Group.

Megan Charles writes, "I married Eric Fein on Aug. 20, 2011, in Mahwah, N.J." The couple met the summer before when **Karen Forgione** offered Megan an extra ticket to a concert she was attending with her high school friends. Eric was one of them. Bucknellians in attendance were **Jessica Sonnemann Schamburg '98**, **Meghan Bender Parsons**, **Beth Harenza**, **Sarah Hart**, **Sean** and **Kristy Westpfahl-Michael** and Karen Forgione.

"Our son, John Simon Charles-Fein, was born Oct. 2, 2012. The past few years have been such a whirlwind and we couldn't be happier," Megan says.

Elo '98 and **Caroline Eckersdorff Comfort** welcomed a daughter, Blaze Hannah, on April 19. Her siblings, Colby, 4, and Camden, 2, love to help out Mom and keep Blaze entertained. The Comfort Crew moved this past fall and reside in Darien, Conn., where Caroline teaches science at the middle school, although she will be taking some time off to be with the kids.

Elo became a partner in his company where he does construction consulting and has been traveling and helping expand the business. They are in touch with a number of Bucknellians in the area, but welcome others to reach out. Email: carolinecomfort@aol.com or elocomfort@yahoo.com.

Michael and Alyson Kienle Munn welcomed their third child, Joshua Thomas, on June 8, 2012. Joshua joins sister Camryn, 5, and brother Zack, 3. The family moved from Pennsylvania to northern Virginia last August and are settling in and enjoying their new home.

Joe and Debbie Silber Rydarowski welcomed their third son, Dillon Patrick, in April 2013. "His brothers Joey, 3, and Aidan, 5, were very excited by his arrival," Debbie says.

I am looking forward to seeing our fellow classmates back on campus for our 15th Reunion this June — hope you can join us. 'ray Bucknell! — L.Z.

2000

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Gbenga Akinnagbe produced the film "Newlyweeds," which opened to a sold-out crowd on Sept. 18, 2013, at the Film Forum in NYC. The film also opened in theaters in Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., and Baltimore in September. "Newlyweeds" tells the melancholy story of a young couple's relationship with each other and with marijuana. It appeared at the Sundance Film Festival in January and did very well. It was reviewed on Variety.com as well as Indiewire.com.

I married K.C. O'Brien on Sept. 14, 2013, in New Jersey at the shore. In attendance were **Janellen Duffy, Maura Narog, Meredith Hartman Shanley, Erin McKenna Evanoka, Winnie Clark Smith and Jeff Davall '98** as well as Professor Tim Sweeney. We live in NYC where I am an actress and singer as well as the assistant artistic director of The Actor's Project NYC, a theater company that helps actors land representation through professional industry showcases of all original comedic material. — A.B.O.

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David and **Melanie Kasper Rodbart** report that they welcomed Benjamin Paul on June 26, 2013. The Rodbarts reside in Swarthmore, Pa.

John and **Alissa Yatcko Swarts** welcomed their second child, Bridget Clare, on Sept. 28, 2013. She joins sister, Madeleine, 18 months. They live outside of Scranton, Pa., where John works as a reading specialist and Alissa

conducts several local choirs. — H.P.A.

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Lindsey Wight married Craig Cimmmons on Oct. 5, 2013, in Brookfield, Vt. The beautiful outdoor ceremony was held at Lindsey's parents' home in the small town where she grew up. Friends in attendance included **Brianna Beechler, Lisa Biddle, Amy DiValerio Bohmer, John Hanowell, Steve Grimes '99, Katherine Hattox Wolff** and me. A fantastic time was had by all at the nearby Grange Center, where the reception and party were held. The group enjoyed the crisp fall weather and beautiful colors of Vermont. Congratulations to Lindsey and Craig. They reside in Jay, Vt., where Lindsey is a biologist at Stantec.

Brian and **Jennifer Denchak Wetzel** welcomed their second daughter, Nina Adelyn, on Sept. 28. Nina joins sister Ashley Emma, 3. Jennifer is an attorney at Persun & Heim, P.C., in Mechanicsburg, Pa. The family resides in Liverpool, Pa. — M.P.

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Daniel Morel writes, "This year I was thrilled to be awarded a commission by the Colorado State Music Teachers Association. The work was premiered by Denver-based new music ensemble The Playground at the association's June conference. Other commissions this year include works to be premiered at conferences for the National Flute Association and International Double Reed Society."

In addition to composing, Daniel is directing the Hartford Independent Chamber Orchestra and Women Composers Festival of Hartford, Conn., "the latter of which is filing for 501(c)(3) status — a daunting but rewarding process." He lives in Hartford but travels frequently for concerts across the U.S. and spends as much downtime in Colorado as possible.

Scott and Linda Voll Roe welcomed a baby girl, Mia Etel, on June 8, 2013. Brother Landon is ecstatic and loves his new baby sister.

Aimee Gallagher writes, "I'm happy to report that I was the maid of honor at **Stephanie Goss's** wedding on March 30, 2013. After seven years together, Stephanie and Ken Sandberg finally tied the knot! The couple, who met at a holiday party, wed at Matheson Hammock Park in Coral Gables, Fla." Aimee says that to celebrate Stephanie's South American roots the couple had Brazilian samba dancers and a Venezuelan arepa food truck at the wedding.

Stephanie and Ken spent three weeks honeymooning in South Africa, Botswana and Zimbabwe before returning to reality in San Francisco. Others in attendance were **Andrea Dill, Parker Terril '05, Perry Ratcliffe Mundy, Yamini Laks and Dan Shvodian '87.**

Aunties **Lainey Faulkner McMahon and Rachel Wolfe Goodman** were thrilled to meet **Jennifer Collier Herrick's** new baby girl on a girls' weekend in Portland, Ore., this fall. Kendall Rogue was born on Aug. 14, 2013. She looks great in orange and blue! — P.N.J.

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Edward and Brigitte Brousseau Korkuch '05 would like to announce the arrival of their first child. Colton Edward was born on July 5, 2013, in San Diego. — J.B.W.

2005

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Edward '04 and Brigitte Brousseau Korkuch would like to announce the arrival of their first child. Colton Edward was born on July 5, 2013, in San Diego.

2006

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Lots of happy wedding news for this issue. On Feb. 23, 2013, **Carol Forney** and Mike Bittinger of Austin, Texas, were married on a beautiful day at the Zilker Park Clubhouse in Austin. Many Bucknellians were able to make the trip, including **Janet Forney Dakin '04, Jean Wells, Amy Sutter, Miriam Sincell Burton, Melissa Tushman-Agrimanakis, Steven Palmer and Dave and Lindsay Carter Allen '08.**

Carol and Mike met at work at the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, where she teaches. In 2011, she finished her master's in special education with a concentration in visual impairments and in 2012 she completed an additional graduate certification in autism and sensory impairments.

Susan Damaschke, daughter of **Dennis '76 and Mary Lynn Lemmer Damaschke '76**, married Bradley Bennett on Aug. 10, 2013, in Spring Lake, N.J. The couple celebrated in the presence of many Bucknellians who joined in a rousing rendition of "ray

Bucknell" led by the father of the bride. The wedding festivities were attended by bridesmaid **Kim Baxter**; best man and new faculty member, Andy Stuhl; and guests **Drew '04** and **Kristi Cashman Burkholder**, **Cory Downes Renn**, **Melissa Hendricks Hilliard**, **Shawn Mathews '01**, **Sam Stettler '76**, **John '76** and **Rita McGee Spangler '76**, **Don Gibson '77** and **Billy Byrne '76**. The wedding was photographed by fellow Bucknellians **Ryan** and **Liz Lorson Bower '07**.

Carrie Ledgerwood married Charles Pulliam on Oct. 12, 2013, in Nashville, Tenn. Charles hails from Alaska and Carrie is from New Jersey. Both relocated to Tennessee several years ago, which is where they met and live.

The wedding was held outside by a beautiful lake. Many Bucknellians attended including bridesmaids **Vita Lamberson Mathes**, **Kate LaPorta**, **Kelly Ferroni Trese** and **Christine Howard**. **Mike Mathes '05** was a groomsman. Family Bucknellians who were there included Carrie's grandmother **Leanne Freas Trout '50** and Carrie's parents, **Bill '74** and **Dee Trout Ledgerwood '74**. Carrie's brothers and their wives, **David '99** and **Adrienne Kauffman Ledgerwood '99** and Regina and **Mark Ledgerwood '01**, also participated in the ceremony.

Carrie's four nephews — and possible future Bucknellians — were in attendance: **Will**, **4**, **Carter**, **1**, **Gabriel**, **3**, and **Caleb**, **1**. Others in attendance included **Karen Morton Stier '74**, **Jay Kandle '74**, **Glenn McLaughlin '74**, **Andrew Trese** and **Paul Ledgerwood '77**.

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THE FIRST ACT

Receptionist at a law firm, sister-in-law of a New York City drug dealer, young Creole woman in 1860s New Orleans — these are some of the television, film and stage roles that **Flor De Liz Perez '07** has already undertaken in a promising professional acting career, one that had its prelude at Bucknell and a study-abroad semester at the London Dramatic Academy.

Perez says she resisted following an acting career at first. "Our theatre professors at Bucknell always told us, 'If you can imagine doing anything else as a career, do it.' But I couldn't imagine it," she says. "I love the research that goes into portraying a character. I love the performing, the working together with other actors and the challenge to be constantly creative."

Her semester in London convinced Perez of her calling, and with the assistance of Bob Gainer, professor emeritus of theatre, she applied to graduate schools. She went on to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where she earned an MFA while acting with the renowned PlayMakers Repertory Company. Then she set off for the Big Apple.

It was slow going at first, as Perez juggled five jobs to support herself while making the rounds of auditions. Then things started to fall into place. She became a regular on stage with the New York Neo-Futurists in their long-running show *Too Much Light Makes the Baby Go Blind*. She landed voiceovers for commercials. She was cast in the play *In the Time of Butterflies*, which took home the 2011 HOLA Award for Best Ensemble. She even became a finalist to play the new Hispanic neighbor on Sesame Street, a thrill for Perez, who says that watching the PBS show as a 5-year-old helped her learn English after her family emigrated from the Dominican Republic to New York.

Recently, Perez has co-starred on the television shows *NYC 22* and *The Good Wife*, on which she plays a receptionist at the Lockhart/Gardner law firm, exchanging lines and sharing screen time with the show's stars. She also had a feature role in the ensemble film *The House That Jack Built*, where she played the sister-in-law of drug dealer Jack. The movie premiered to critical acclaim at the Los Angeles Film Festival in June, and the producers are looking for a distributor.

Bucknellians can see Perez on stage this winter and spring in Berkeley, Calif., and New Haven, Conn., in *The House That Will Not Stand*, set in 19th-century New Orleans and presented by Berkeley Rep and Yale Repertory Theatre. — *Theresa Galwas Medoff '85, P'13*



2008

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Amanda Stewart married Kyle Hause at the Golden Gardens Bathhouse in Seattle on Sept. 8, 2013. The wedding and location were beautiful, and we got to catch up with **Rosy Kim**, who traveled from Hong Kong, where she works for Hugo Boss, for the big day. Once she arrived back home, Rosy was surprised to bump into **Steve Marzelli** in Hong Kong because they thought their days there wouldn't

overlap. She reports that she also hung out with **Alison Schaffer** and **Joe Valickus '09**.

Ben '07 and **Debbie Sandler Haseltine** welcomed their daughter Eliana Claire on Sept. 24, 2013. They reside in The Woodlands, Texas, north of Houston.

Liam Gerard was born to **Kevin '07** and **Kristen Viola Quinn** on Sept. 23, 2013.

John and **Devon McGetrick Schlicher** welcomed their son, Hudson Jack, on Sept. 18, 2013.

Last May, **Lauren Bolcar** graduated from Seton Hall Law School with a concentration in intellectual property law. After sitting for both the New York

and New Jersey bar exams, she moved to Alexandria, Va., and works for the Department of Justice, for the intellectual property staff of the Commercial Litigation Branch of the Civil Division.

Steve Marzelli and **Stephanie Weible** are engaged and plan to marry in the summer of 2014 in Philadelphia. Members of the bridal party include **Jeff Suway**, **Chris Wilson**, **Devon McGetrick Schlicher**, **Katie Casteel**, **Katie Metzler**, and **Kelli Jensen Peters**. The couple lives in Philadelphia with their dog Hendrix.

Spike Short and **Alison Faux** are engaged and plan to marry in September in Atlanta. The couple will move to Atlanta after Spike graduates from law school at Washington and Lee University in May. — L.C.A.

2009

REUNION 2014

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Kay Miyoshi and **Mike Cobetto** were married on July 5, 2013, in New Albany, Ohio. They were honored that so many of their friends and family could attend, including fellow Bucknellians. The couple resides in Pittsburgh where Kay works as a talent acquisition specialist for Hitachi Consulting and Mike is a senior tax accountant for Dick's Sporting Goods.

Nancy Miyake is finishing up her third year in the Peace Corps in Vanuatu. She plans to stay in the South Pacific working in development. She also married Ivan Oswald, whom she met in Vanuatu while swimming with the local swim club.

Maddie Folkman graduated from Brooklyn Law School in February 2013 and was admitted to practice law in New York in October. Maddie got engaged in August to GW grad Edward Guadiana.

Alexandria St. Claire graduated from medical school with a doctorate in naturopathic medicine and plans to start practicing in six months. She married Jason Shoemaker and they have a healthy two-month-old baby girl, Sienna. The family lives in D.C.

Matthew Chen accepted a new position at Honda R&D Americas Inc. as an expert translator/CAT specialist.

Nikki Seaman married **David Iselin '10** on Oct. 5, 2013,

in Cleveland, Ohio. Many Bucknellians were in attendance, including several Bucknell swimming and diving alumni. Nikki reports that it was great to have so many Bucknellians reunited.

Alex Hulme works for Abt Associates and was transferred back to offices in Boston. Alex returned from a work trip to Mozambique and South Africa and is spending time catching up with Bucknellians in the city.

On Oct. 5, 2013, **Lauren Lodigiani** married **Brian Gargan '07**.

Leah Grimm and **Alex Lovell** were married on Sept. 7, 2013, in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Alex says that they had an amazing wedding and a ton of fun.

Dave Scott married Emily Bergland (UVA '09) last New Year's Eve and the couple has since moved from NYC to Pittsburgh. After four fun years of IT in the fashion industry, Dave reports that he has begun a new career working in commercial real estate with his father's company.

Sarah Winslow got engaged on Oct. 6, 2013, to Aaron Schlosser. They are planning on having a January 2015 winter wedding.

Robert Hallinan married **Erin Corless '10** in Pittsburgh on Aug. 10, 2013. The mass was celebrated by Rev. Michael Letteer, former Bucknell Catholic chaplain, in the company of many Bucknellians. The newlyweds live in Baltimore.

Ali Mainka married **Jackson Noel '08**.

Christopher Gabryluk married Gillian (University of Kansas) in her hometown of St. Catharines, Ontario, on May 18, 2013. Chris was promoted to the position of sales education manager for Zimmer's U.S. Orthopedic Trauma and Extremities Divisions at the company's global headquarters in Warsaw, Ind. — S.K.

2010

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Joe Donohoe M'10 is a Ph.D. student in bioinformatics at the University of Michigan. "This past summer I participated in a science policy immersion program in Washington D.C. My write-up describing the experience was included in Michigan's science policy newsletter." The two-week program was offered by the Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes.

"The program had a little bit of everything: career advice, budget analysis, communication tips, perspectives from non-profits, for profits (very large profits), meager profits (the media) and some great information on behind-the-scenes science policy," he writes.

2011

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Class of 2011 is busy achieving great success in academia this edition. **Mark Kingsbury** is re-discovering the age of the dinosaur with his bi-pedal robot, Robosaur. He and his colleagues in the School of Physics at Georgia Institute of Technology hope to better understand how our Jurassic predecessors efficiently walked on two legs across unstable grounds. His project enhances understanding of dinosaurs while providing insight into how to design even better robots.

For more information on this amazing endeavor, check out the website: <https://starter.gatech.edu/#91>. He is pursuing his doctorate in physics at Georgia Institute of Technology. Who doesn't love dinosaurs? Congrats, Mark!

Sharon Muli graduated with a master's of environmental studies from the University of Pennsylvania last May. Her capstone project was titled "Sustainability Rankings: Impacts on Corporate Sustainability." Well done, Sharon!

As always, please contact me with your exciting news updates. We all love to read about them here. — L.M.

Leigh Bryant was elected student representative for the Association for Applied Sport Psychology, an international professional organization that promotes the field of sport and exercise psychology. She assumed the position at the organization's recent annual conference. Her responsibilities include promoting AASP at the student level and helping lead a student initiative.

Leigh is working on master's degrees in sport and exercise psychology and community counseling, as well as a doctorate in sport and exercise psychology. She was awarded the Arlen G. and Louise Stone Swiger Doctoral Fellowship at West Virginia University.

2012

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Hi, Class of 2012 and Bucknell family! Sonali Basak reporting to you from Chicago this time, with lots of news from all over. If you have some orange-and-blue news, send it my way to basakreports@gmail.com.

I find that the most fun news of all is that so many Bucknellians are in LOVE! **Bobby Donato** is to marry his fiancée Bethany Barber in spring, and two Bison, **Tom Barr** and **Rachel Voss '13**, recently got engaged. **Sandra Moreno** also recently got engaged to her long-time basketball beau **Darryl Shazier '11**. **Katie Coney** is engaged to

John Hennessy '11. And during Homecoming, I got to meet **Tyler McClenithan 13's** new wife, Sarah Buonnano.

Speaking of Homecoming, it brought home way more Bucknellians from 2012 than I could have predicted! It was exciting to see where everyone has ended up. Some strayed far, far away, just to be back to see fellow Bison for one quick Saturday. Some had grouped together in cities across the U.S.

Jeff Church, Odeke Ekirapa (our famed graduation speaker), **Ben Brenner** and **Morgan Beeson** are still living the New York life. Jeff and **Greg Barbier** are moving up in the finance world, working, working, working away but working with a ton of passion.

Ryan Ebner, Eric Davidson and **Mark Figgie** are living together near Philadelphia, and **Gretchen Schoeck** is living in PA and competing in the Miss Pennsylvania USA beauty pageant — and she is absolutely lovely. **Morgan Kane** is still in PA working at Credit Suisse.

Rachel Weidman and **Dana Chernock** got to crash together for a while in NYC. And speaking of the NYC crew, **Kristina Baker** is still in the city but changed jobs to work for telecommunications company VoIP Networks as a tech solutions consultant. **Kelleigh Tidgwell** is still working as an analyst at Alvarez and Marsal, and their good friend **Erica Lang** has moved back to her native land, San Francisco, to work at Glassdoor. And while **Taylor Willis** is still at Estée Lauder in NYC, her job brought her across the world this year on a visit to Shanghai.

Justin Lockhart is in the Bahamas working for Baha Mar, a huge construction project ("the biggest on the Western Hemisphere," he said). And **Aurimas Liutikas** has been traveling the world, including trips to Tokyo and Tunisia.

Outside of work, our Bucknellians are ever busy with their "extracurriculars." **Andrew Nitkin** and **Joanna Freeman** biked across to America over the summer,

biking 4,500 miles over 70 days from Baltimore to Portland, Ore., to fundraise for the Ullman Cancer Fund for Young Adults. Andrew has made his way back to NYC to work in commercial real estate. They raised more than \$750,000 dollars.

Since moving from Chicago to D.C. and back to Chicago again, I've gotten to see so many familiar faces. My last night in D.C. I got to catch up with **Michael Higgins**, who is at an economics research firm, and I ran into **Grace Beauseigneur** who has launched her own startup, Vinolovers, in a prominent D.C. incubator, 1776. And then, after I moved back to Chicago for some time to freelance, I found out **Michelle Havrilla** was working her way up as a recruiter at WMS Gaming and started her MBA at DePaul. **Catherine Gibbons** and **Jack Boehm** also moved over to the Windy City. Meanwhile, I'm moving back to good old NYC to join our friends there, launching my journalism career with a stint at Bloomberg.

Our lives have brought us around the country and around the world in the last year! And going into 2014, I can't wait to see where else we go. But luckily, the Bucknell app can let us know! *Au revoir*, till next time!

2013

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I hope everyone had a great end of the summer and that those of you who attended the welcome receptions in September had a good time. I am writing this column as I sit in the car on my way to Homecoming Weekend. The perfect time to visit Bucknell! The prettiest road trip you can imagine.

I don't think I realized the extent to which living in New Jersey would mean seeing Bucknellians everywhere I go. A few months ago a fire alarm went off in my apartment

building, and when I went outside, to much surprise, I met an alumna who lives on the same floor. And a few days ago I was stopped at a supermarket by a prospective parent because I was wearing a Bucknell shirt. These moments make me realize how big the Bucknell family is. 'ray!

And here is a short update on what our classmates have been up to so far. Please send me your stories.

Will Butcher and **Rebecca Howell** are "thru-hiking" the Appalachian Trail, a 2,200-mile long hiking trail that runs from Mt. Katahdin in Maine to Mt. Springer in Georgia. As of the middle of the summer, these two adventurous Bucknellians were 300 miles in and traveling south through the White Mountains in New Hampshire. And by the end of October, Will and Rebecca were already at 1,520 miles since Maine and had 650 miles left to finish in Georgia.

They hope to be there by the end of December. They stopped by Bucknell in October (the trail goes through Duncannon, Pa., which is not too far from Selinsgrove) to see friends and professors. It has started to get cold, but they are ready for the rest of the trip.

Katie Janda is pursuing a master's in public health at the University of Michigan.

Alex Ororbis and **Maximilian Ororbis '17**, long time members of the National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS), met and chatted with Claes Nobel himself at the Annual Scholars Day in August, at Georgetown University Conference Center in Washington, D.C. Alex is pursuing a doctorate in artificial intelligence at Penn State University.

Grace Ragold is back at Bucknell again. She is working at Bucknell this year as a quality control coordinator with the Student Calling Program, in addition to working in the Office of the President. She says it has been busy, but great so far. — M.Z.

IN MEMORIAM

1931

Hans Rahm, Montclair, N.J., on March 8, 2010. He was an engineer and managed chemical manufacturing plants in New Jersey before retiring to make sculptures and run a crafts store with his wife. Survivors include one child and three grandchildren.

1936

Walter Nudenberg, Tucson, Ariz., on Sept. 22, 2012. He earned a doctorate from the University of Chicago. He retired from Chemtura in 2011 at the age of 97. Survivors include two children and one great-grandchild.

1937

Edythe Reimensnyder Miller, Milton, Pa., on Aug. 11, 2013. A member of Phi Mu, she earned a degree from Bloomsburg State Teachers College. She taught elementary school for 47 years at the Ramsey School in New Columbia and the Pollock School and Baugher Elementary School in Milton before retiring at 72. Survivors include one child, two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

1938

Constance Krautter Edwards, South Sterling, Pa., on Oct. 3, 2013. A member of Kappa Delta, she taught English and math in the Wallenpaupack Area School District. Survivors include three siblings and many nieces and nephews.

1939

Mary Dreher Colver, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 30, 2013. A member of Chorale, she helped her husband lead his church congregation. She was predeceased by her nephew **Donald '61**. Survivors include one child, one grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

Harry Gundrum, Lewisburg, Pa., on July 16, 2013. He worked for A.H. Hoffman Inc. in Landisville, Pa. Survivors include his wife and two children.

June Nelson Wizda, Pompton Plains, N.J., on Sept. 27, 2013. She completed graduate work at Penn State University. She was a part-time English teacher and homemaker. Survivors include three children and five grandchildren.

1941

Eleanor Bendell, San Leandro, Calif., on Aug. 12, 2013. A member of Kappa Delta, she earned a master's from the University of Pennsylvania. She was a teacher and a counselor at Fremont High in Oakland, Calif., until 1983.

Lois Marcey Richards, Beaverton, Ore., on Aug. 20, 2013. She was a statistician in the Patent Division of RCA, a columnist and a bookkeeper. She was vice-president of the nonprofit Inspiration Inc. in Portland, a television interviewer and producer of the weekly television program "Life." Survivors include five children, including **Herbert '65**; 11 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Geraldine Bennage Teufel, Lewisburg, Pa., on July 24, 2013. She was a teacher in several Union County schools and taught English, French and social studies at Montgomery-Clinton High School. She was predeceased by her husband, **Lee Teufel '54**, and her sister **Pauline Bennage Virgilio '35**. Survivors include two children; 12 grandchildren, including

Robyn Shanahan '97; and six great-grandchildren.

1942

Francis Saltus Gardner, West Lawn, Pa., on Oct. 5, 2013. A member of Sigma Phi Epsilon, he served in the Army during WWII. He was an insurance underwriter for Aetna Casualty Insurance Company. Survivors include his wife, two children, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Norma Schotland Harris, Albuquerque, N.M., on July 11, 2013. A member of Pi Mu Epsilon, she was a mathematics teacher in the Teaneck, N.J., Public School System for 14 years. Survivors include two children and two grandchildren.

Richard Lank, Raleigh, N.C., on July 7, 2012. A member of Cap and Dagger, Phi Kappa Psi and Concern and Action, he served in the Navy during WWII. He was predeceased by his brother **Edward '48**. Survivors include his wife, three children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Jean Stauffer Williams, Waverly, N.Y., on Sept. 3, 2013. A member of Delta Zeta, Symphony Orchestra and Concern and Action, she graduated from Abington Hospital School. She was a registered x-ray technician for many years before retiring in her 70s. Survivors include three children and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

1943

J. Frank Cannon, Gibsonia, Pa., on Aug. 8, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi, *Engineer Magazine* and Chorale, he served in the Army during WWII. He retired as president of KBW Gasification Systems with Koppers in 1984. His wife, **Virginia Thompson Cannon '44**, died on Aug. 21,

2013. He was predeceased by his brother **Barr '39**. Survivors include one child and nieces and nephews, including **Bartley Griffith '70**.

Robert Newman, Santa Barbara, Calif., on Aug. 19, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi, he earned a bachelor's from University of California, Berkeley and a juris doctor from University of California Hastings College of the Law. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. Survivors include his wife, three children and one grandchild.

Marshall Ragsdale, Lutherville Timonium, Md., on March 16, 2013. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, he served in the Marines for 16 years. He worked for National Cash Register Company in Newark, N.J., for 36 years as a branch manager and in executive sales positions. After retiring in the early 80s, he and his son established Town Marketing, a direct mail marketing firm in Timonium. Survivors include his wife, **Mary Divine Ragsdale '42**; three children, including **Lynn Ragsdale Salvo '71**; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Janet Bold Sholl, Medford, N.J., on Sept. 20, 2013. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Lambda Delta, Mortar Board, Chorale, Concern and Action, and a class reporter for many years. She was a homemaker. She was predeceased by her husband, **Donald Sholl '42**. Survivors include four children, including **Marilyn Sholl '67**; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews, including **John '66**, **Debora Sholl Humphreys '67**, **Lawrence '70**, **David '71**, **Rebecca Sholl Baer '74** and **Robert '69**.

1944

Helen Rhinesmith Baker, West Milford, N.J., on Oct. 14, 2013. She was a member of Phi Mu and a class reporter for 69 years. She was a homemaker.

She was predeceased by her husband, **Robert '44**. Survivors include four children, **Robert '67**, **Katherine Baker Sarro '72**, **Thomas '77** and **Timothy '80**; four grandchildren, including **Lisa Baker '94**; and one great-grandchild.

Virginia Thompson Cannon, Gibsonia, Pa., on Aug. 21, 2013. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Alpha Chi Omega and Concern and Action. She served as a class reporter for 28 years. She was predeceased by her husband, **J. Frank Cannon '43**. Survivors include one child and nieces and nephews, including **Bartley Griffith '70**.

Louise Terrett, Miles City, Mont., on Sept. 2, 2013. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi, Delta Phi Alpha, Mortar Board and Phi Beta Kappa. Survivors include nieces and nephews.

1945

Betty Cleckner Barnes, Camp Hill, Pa., on Sept. 5, 2013. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Pi Beta Phi, *L'Agenda* and Concern and Action. She retired after 25 years of service with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and served the last eight years as a private secretary. She was predeceased by her siblings **Richard Cleckner '49**, **Robert Cleckner '47** and **Edna Cleckner Davidson '33**. Survivors include one child; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews, including **Wendy Myers Eder '94**; and her cousin **Glenn Hetrick '63**.

Loretta Farris, Dallas, Pa., on Aug. 14, 2013. A member of Chorale, she earned a master's from Marywood College, in Scranton, Pa. She worked in the library services field at Hoyt Library, Osterhout Free Library and Wilkes College. Survivors include a brother and nieces and nephews.

1946

Dana Gumb, Alexandria, Va., on April 23, 2013. A member of Phi Gamma Delta and the Navy V-12 Program, he served in the Navy Reserve. He earned a master's from Georgia Institute of Technology. He co-founded Vega Precision Laboratories where he was a senior vice president and chief scientist until retiring in 1989. Survivors include three children and three grandchildren.

Marian Greenawalt Kresge, Mountville, Pa., on Sept. 10, 2013. A member of Alpha Lambda Delta, she did graduate studies at Millersville University. She worked in labs for AEC Rochester, St. Joseph's Hospital and RCA. She was a teacher in Manheim and the School District of Lancaster for 20 years. She was predeceased by her husband, **Donald Kresge '46**. Survivors include five children, including **Roger '71**; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1947

Eileen Dannelly Chandler, Yonkers, N.Y., on Sept. 3, 2013. She earned a master's from Columbia University. She was a Roman Catholic nun for nine years at a convent in Pennsylvania. She worked as a NYC schoolteacher for 25 years before retiring in 1992 and was also a part-time cab driver. Survivors include her husband and nieces and nephews.

Eben Turnure, Valhalla, N.Y., on May 2, 2013. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, he served in the Coast Guard during WWII. He retired as quality control manager from JP Stevens Textiles in NYC. Survivors include three children and five grandchildren.

1948

Betty Waddington Mackey, Boonton, N.J., on Oct. 11, 2013. A member of Cap and Dagger and Phi Mu, she was secretary/treasurer and co-owner of the Mackey Funeral Home in Boonton before retiring in 1986. Survivors include four children, five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and cousins, including **Donald Manning '52** and **Henry Waddington '61**.

Reese Pelton, Dallas, Pa., on Aug. 22, 2013. He earned a master's from Penn State University. He was a teacher at Wilkes University, Dallas-Franklin Township and Forty Fort High School and the Dallas School District until his retirement in 1986. He was an adjunct professor at Luzerne County Community College until 2011. Survivors include his wife, two children and five grandchildren.

1949

Harry Drew, Glen Mills, Pa., on May 14, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi and Chorale, he worked for Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company in Philadelphia. Survivors include his wife, three children and two grandchildren.

Shirley Schweiker Fagan, The Villages, Fla., on Aug. 5, 2013. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, student government, Mortar Board, *L'Agenda* and Chorale and president of Delta Delta Delta. She was predeceased by her husband, **Harry '49**, and her sister **Anne Schweiker Woods '51**. Survivors include three children, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Roger Martin, Gibsonia, Pa., on Aug. 10, 2013. A member of Tau Beta Pi, band and the Navy V-12 Program, he served in the Navy during WWII. He worked for Duquesne Light Company for 43 years where he gave the order to start up the world's first commercial nuclear

facility. Survivors include his wife, **Joyce Hauck Martin '47**, two children and one grandchild.

Robert Quoos, Bethlehem, Pa., on Sept. 16, 2011. He served in the Army during WWII. He retired as a consulting engineer from Bethlehem Steel Corp. in 1980 after 30 years. Survivors include his wife and two children.

Benjamin Reed, Elizabethtown, Pa., on June 20, 2013. A member of Pi Mu Epsilon and Tau Beta Pi, he served in the Army Air Corps during WWII. He was an engineer and manager for PPL for more than 30 years before retiring to work as a consultant for North Cambria Fuel Co. in Indiana, Pa., for 15 years. Survivors include his wife; four children, including **Samuel '74**; two brothers, including **Thomas '53**; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Morris Rombro, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., on July 4, 2011. He earned master's degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Maryland. He served in the Army during WWII. He was director of charities in Akron, Ohio, Buffalo, N.Y., and Chattanooga, Tenn., for United Federated Charities. After retiring he worked with the South Palm Beach County Jewish Federation creating programming for the Academy of Jewish Studies. Survivors include his wife; three children; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; three siblings, including **Marvin '47**; and nieces and nephews, including **Stuart '66**.

Edward Shorin, Manhasset, N.Y., on Aug. 19, 2013. A member of Sigma Alpha Mu, he served in the Navy. He was an executive at Topps Chewing Gum. He was a trustee at Long Island University where he received an honorary degree. He was predeceased by his brother **Joel '43** and sister **Irma Shorin Barness '48**. Survivors include two children and six grandchildren.

Elaine Bennett Steiner, New York, N.Y., on June 1, 2013. She was a writer. Survivors

include three children and three grandchildren.

Carol Dawson Strong, Des Moines, Iowa, on May 24, 2009. A member of student government, *L'Agenda* and Chorale, she was a homemaker. Survivors include three children, seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

1950

M. Edgar Datesman, Bedford, Pa., on Dec. 31, 2012. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Chapel Choir, Chorale, *L'Agenda* and Christian Fellowship. He earned a bachelor's and a doctorate from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and served in the Army Air Corps. He was pastor emeritus at Bedford Presbyterian Church. Survivors include his wife, five children and four grandchildren.

William Killian, Lancaster, Pa., on Aug. 3, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi and the football team, he was an alumni representative on Bucknell's Board of Trustees. He served in the Army. He was district sales manager for Airco in Pittsburgh and then part-owner of the Carbon/Graphite Group before retiring in 1993. Survivors include his wife; four children, including **Linda Killian Reitz '73**; eight grandchildren; and nieces and nephews, including **Susan Crawford '69**.

Jack Walker, Newport, Pa., on March 28, 2008. He served in the Navy during WWII and the Korean War. He was a teacher and farmer. Survivors include his wife and three children.

1951

Beverly Moore Phillips, New Columbia, Pa., on Sept. 24, 2013. A member of Chapel Choir, she was a homemaker and worked with her husband on their farm. Survivors include her husband, four children, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Robert Stover, Howard, Pa., on Oct. 6, 2013. He was a member of the Association of Sociology Students, Psychology Club, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Sigma Tau, Psi Chi and Christian Fellowship. He earned a master's and doctorate from Penn State University. He served in the Army during WWII. He taught at Penn State and was vice president of HRB-Singer for many years. He was a consultant and CEO of Federal Housing Development, Inc. Survivors include two children, two grandchildren and his cousin **Walter '55**.

Spencer Walker, Southampton, Pa., on Aug. 31, 2013. A member of Delta Upsilon, he served in the Army during WWII. He worked in the construction industry in central Pennsylvania and New Jersey before retiring in 2000. Survivors include his wife, **Elaine Greene Walker '46**, three children, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

1952

Albert Boehm, Saint Leonard, Md., on May 29, 2013. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha and intramurals.

William Clark, Washington, Pa., on July 29, 2013. A member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, he earned a bachelor's from Penn State University and a master's from the University of Pittsburgh. He served in the Army. He was a teacher and administrator at Trinity High School and was co-founder of GG&C Bus Company where he was president until retiring in 2004. He was an active beef farmer and owned Clark Farms. Survivors include his wife, two children and two grandchildren.

Harold Collins, Plano, Texas, on Sept. 6, 2010. A member of Electrical & Electronic Engineers, he served in the Navy during WWII. Survivors include his wife, one child and one grandchild.

Joseph Gallagher, Denton, Texas, on April 10, 2013. He

was a member of Phi Kappa Psi and intramurals. He was on the football, basketball and track and field teams and was inducted into the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame. He received a Little All-America honorable mention in football, and in basketball he led the team in scoring three straight years and set a career scoring record that stood for 10 years. Survivors include his wife.

Thomas McMahon, Jupiter, Fla., on Oct. 2, 2013. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, *Engineer Magazine*, Chorale and the American Society of Civil Engineers. He earned a master's from Northeastern University and served in the Army during the Korean War. He was director of water pollution control for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and deputy commissioner for the Department of Environmental Protection in Boston. Survivors include his wife, four children and six grandchildren.

Walter Spragg, Monongahela, Pa., on Aug. 28, 2013. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Eta Sigma, intramurals, Ski Club and Christian Fellowship. He earned a juris doctor from Dickinson School of Law. He practiced law and was involved with other businesses including Donora Lumber Co. Survivors include two children and six grandchildren.

1953

Roy Bredbenner, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, on July 13, 2013. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha and WVB, he served in the Army. He worked for General Electric for 35 years. Survivors include his wife, two children, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

William Bulick, Old Chatham, N.Y., on Oct. 2, 2013. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, Pi Delta Epsilon, *The Bucknellian*, Ski Club and Christian Fellowship. He served in the Marines during the Korean War. He worked in corporate consulting and was vice

president of Chase Manhattan Bank in NYC. Survivors include his wife, four children and five grandchildren.

1954

L. Arthur Lees, Wellsville, Pa., on June 18, 2013. A member of Theta Chi, Chorale, *L'Agenda* and Concern and Action, he served in the Army during the Korean War. He worked in the insurance and real estate industries, including as a Realtor for PA Realty Corp. in Wellsville. Survivors include his wife, six children, eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

James Shuster, Ocean City, Md., on July 27, 2013. A member of intramurals and *L'Agenda*, he was a commissioned officer in the ROTC. He served in the Army and attended Columbia University. He was predeceased by his wife, **Elizabeth Hermanni Shuster '55**. Survivors include one child.

1955

Robert Snyder, Selinsgrove, Pa., on Sept. 27, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi and the American Institute for Chemical Engineers, he served in the Army. He was a partner in Snyder's Improvement Company, a roofing and siding business, and worked in sales in the mobile and modular housing industry. Survivors include his wife, one child, two grandchildren and his brother **Harry '52**.

1956

Richard Bauer, Arlington, Mass., on Dec. 30, 2012. He served in the Marines during the Korean War. Survivors include his wife, two children and four grandchildren.

Elizabeth Fogg Hayward, Athens, Ga., on Sept. 5, 2013. She was a member of Cap

and Dagger, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Lambda Delta, Delta Phi Alpha, Phi Beta Kappa, Psi Chi, intramurals, *L'Agenda*, *LIT Magazine*, *The Bucknellian* and Christian Fellowship. She attended occupational therapy school in Philadelphia. Survivors include three children, including **Janet Hayward Friday '83**; six grandchildren; and three siblings, including **Lockwood Fogg '66**.

Joseph Zator, Salisbury, Md., on May 9, 2012. A member of *L'Agenda*, he was director of engineering for Viskon-Aire Corp. in Salisbury. Survivors include his wife, two children and four grandchildren.

1957

Cordell Thomas, Kennett Square, Pa., on May 26, 2013. He earned a master's from the University of Michigan and a doctorate from Temple University. He was director of Social Action Workshop in Malvern, Pa.

1958

P. Kenneth Newman, Jacksonville, Fla., on Aug. 30, 2013. A member of Lambda Chi, Delta Phi Alpha, Phi Sigma and *L'Agenda*, he earned a doctorate from Temple University School of Medicine. He served in the Navy during the Korean War and as a physician during the Vietnam War. He was an anesthesiologist at Baptist Medical Center and Citrus Memorial Hospital in Inverness, Fla. Survivors include three children, nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

David Strite, Santa Fe, N.M., on Aug. 3, 2013. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, he served in the Army. He retired from Tupperware as vice president of human resources for Europe, Africa and the Middle East. Survivors include his wife, **Carol Keator Strite '60**, two children and six grandchildren.

Walter Wentzel, Lititz, Pa., on Sept. 16, 2013. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Pi Delta Epsilon, intramurals, *The Bucknellian*, WVBU and Concern and Action. He served in the Army and worked as a nursing home administrator with Masonic Village. Survivors include his wife, five children and six grandchildren.

Nancy Clopp Wood, Santa Fe, N.M., on March 12, 2013. She was a photographer and an author of more than 30 books. Survivors include her husband, four children, seven grandchildren and brothers **Donald Clopp '60**, **Robert Clopp '62** and **H. William Clopp '66**.

1959

Edward Perkins, Hammond, Ore., on Sept. 14, 2013. A member of band and a commissioned officer in the ROTC, he served in the Army. He was a CPA and had his own practice until 1988. Survivors include his wife, **Sandra Schatz Perkins '61**, two children and three grandchildren.

1962

Ellen Headley Marshall, Worcester, Mass., on Sept. 12, 2013. A member of Cap and Dagger and Theta Alpha Phi, she attended Stanford University. She retired from Metropolitan Life in 2004 and worked as a substitute teacher in the Worcester public schools for 10 years. She was predeceased by her sister **Ruth Headley McHugh '62**. Survivors include two children and her brother **Nathan Headley '58**.

1963

Pamela Miller Zeich, Sumter, S.C., on Sept. 18, 2013. A member of Kappa Delta Pi, Pi Mu Epsilon and Symphony Orchestra, she taught elementary school before becoming a homemaker. Survivors include her husband, **Alan Zeich '61**, two children and two grandchildren.

1964

Basil Duncan, Guilford, Conn., on Aug. 6, 2013. A member of the Economics Society, Delta Upsilon, student government, Delta Mu Delta and Christian Fellowship, he earned his law degree from Columbia University. He ran his own law firm in Guilford before retiring in 2011. Survivors include his wife, two children and two grandchildren.

1965

David Evelyn, Falls Church, Va., on March 11, 2013. A member of Cap and Dagger, Phi Kappa Psi, Chapel Choir and Chorale, he earned a master's from George Washington University. He was an artist and art educator who taught at Fairfax County's Lake Braddock Secondary School for 28 years before retiring in 2003. He was an adjunct art teacher at Virginia Commonwealth University and Northern Virginia Community College. Survivors include his partner, two children, two grandchildren and two siblings, including **Lynn Evelyn Rohrs '69**.

Arthur Place, Schaghticoke, N.Y., on Aug. 11, 2013. He was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon and intramurals and was a commissioned officer in the ROTC. He served in the Army and was an accountant. He was president and CEO of Arthur Place & Company and owner of Witenagemot Farm.

Survivors include his wife, four children and five grandchildren.

1966

Richard Greenwood, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif., on Oct. 6, 2013. He was a member of Cap and Dagger, Kappa Sigma, student government, Chapel Choir, *L'Agenda*, Ski Club and he was a commissioned officer in the ROTC. He was president and CEO of Certified Alloy Products in Long Beach before retiring in 2009. Survivors include his wife and two children.

Barbara Kiefer Smith, Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., on Sept. 10, 2013. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega, student government, *L'Agenda*, *The Bucknellian* and Christian Fellowship. She earned a master's from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Hackensack, N.J. She was an ESL teacher at Grant Elementary School in Ridgefield Park, N.J., for 15 years before retiring in 2013. Survivors include four children and four grandchildren.

1967

Paul Morgan, Chadds Ford, Pa., on Sept. 6, 2013. He served in the Navy. He owned Valleybrook Driving Range and Miniature Golf in Concordville, Pa., for 30 years and was successful with commercial real estate ventures. Survivors include his wife and nieces and nephews.

Richard Neubauer, Fairport, N.Y., on July 22, 2013. He was a member of Kappa Sigma, the Interfraternity Council, *L'Agenda* and Electrical & Electronics Engineers. He earned master's degrees from Rochester Institute of Technology and the University of Utah. He served in the Air Force for four years and worked for Eastman Kodak for 35 years. Survivors include his wife and two children.

1970

W. Marks Dryden, Larchmont, N.Y., on July 23, 2013. He was a member of the Photography Club, Lambda Chi Alpha, Pi Delta Phi and *Tristram Magazine*. He earned a master's from New York University. He was an early childhood educator and was the administrator at various child care programs and centers in the New York area, including Royal Child Care Center in New Rochelle, N.Y. Survivors include his wife, **Yvonne Ericson-Dryden '70** and one child, **Morgan '07**.

1972

James Peacock, Laurel, Md., on Feb. 17, 2013. He was a member of Pi Delta Epsilon and WVBU. He earned a master's from Southeastern University and was director of research at Arbitron Ratings Company in Laurel.

1973

Glenn Barnes, La Jolla, Calif., on Aug. 18, 2013. A member of Sigma Chi, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Sigma and *L'Agenda*, he studied at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia. He was an orthopedic surgeon at the San Diego Kaiser Foundation Hospital.

1977

Christopher May, Williamsville, N.Y., on Aug. 22, 2013. A member of Delta Upsilon and the swim team, he earned a bachelor's from Houghton College. He earned a master's from the University at Buffalo and taught high school biology in New Milford and Canton, Conn. He earned his doctorate from University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine and went into private practice.

Survivors include his wife and several nieces and nephews.

1978

Kirk Pearce, Cocoa Beach, Fla., on Sept. 2, 2013. A member of the Jazz & Rock Ensemble, he earned a master's from Northeastern University in Boston. He was a principal software engineer. He worked for Globe Tracker and Live TV. Survivors include his wife and two children.

Deborah Starr, Santa Fe, N.M., on Aug. 25, 2013. She earned a master's from the University of Santa Monica in southern California. She was managing editor at *Horticulture* magazine, managing editor at *Stereophile* magazine, an editor for garden.com and a counselor and healer. Survivors include her husband and a niece and nephew.

1979

Robert Brown, Raritan, N.J., on Aug. 8, 2013. A member of Delta Upsilon and the baseball team, he worked in accounting, food services and the arts materials field before starting his own business. He was an author. Survivors include his wife and two children.

1982

Martin Hepburn, Kintnersville, Pa., on Aug. 7, 2013. He worked his way through college as a cook on a fishing vessel out of Kodiak, Alaska. He spent 25 years working at Enterprise Appraisal in Wayne, Pa., appraising commercial and industrial properties. Survivors include his wife and four children.

2006

Dustin Friedland, Hoboken, N.J., on Dec. 15, 2013. He succumbed to injuries sustained in a carjacking in Short Hills, N.J. He was a member of the crew team, the debate team, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Interfraternity Council, and received a juris doctor from Syracuse University. Survivors include his wife, parents, sister and grandmother.

MASTER'S

Jean Kweder Devine M'46, Lansdale, Pa., on Aug. 7, 2013. She earned a bachelor's from Penn State University and a doctorate from Hahnemann Medical College. She worked in pediatrics for Philadelphia General Hospital and the Philadelphia Board of Education. Survivors include her husband, two children and four grandchildren.

Francis Huber M'52, Estero, Fla., on Oct. 6, 2013. He earned a bachelor's from Johns Hopkins University and a doctor of medicine from the University of Tennessee. He was a board certified anesthesiologist. Survivors include his wife, four children and five grandchildren.

June Lambert Michael M'61, Muncy, Pa., on Sept. 20, 2013. She earned a bachelor's from Louisiana Baptist College. She was a music teacher and district librarian for the Montgomery Area School District for 35 years before retiring. She also worked for the family business, Michael TV and Appliance in Muncy. Survivors include her husband, two children, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Anne Reppert Lewis M'76, Washington, D.C., on July 14, 2013. She earned a bachelor's from Smith College. Survivors include three children and two grandchildren.

Ralph Stein M'51, Downers Grove, Ill., on Sept. 30, 2011.

He was a senior chemical engineer for Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, Ill.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Robert Curtis, Lewisburg, Pa., on Aug. 18, 2013. He earned a bachelor's from St. Lawrence University and a master's from Columbia University. He was a football coach at Franklin & Marshall College and director of athletics at Carlisle High School. He was head football coach at Bucknell from 1975 to 1985 and, after retiring from Carlisle High School, helped Coach Depew with the baseball team's strength and conditioning. Survivors include his wife and two children.

Karen Lee Dugger, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 11, 2013. She earned a bachelor's in English and a Ph.D. in sociology from Kent State University. She was a professor of sociology and women's studies at Bucknell from 1983 until 1999 and was a driving force behind the creation of the Center for Race and Gender Studies. She went on to chair the women's studies department at Towson University in Maryland. Survivors include her companion, Professor of Economics **Winston Griffith**; their daughter; two sisters; and two brothers.

Robert Dunkerly '67, M'69, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 6, 2013. He served in the Army and earned a doctorate from Penn State. He served as media director, associate registrar and registrar during his 35-year career at Bucknell before retiring in 2007. He was predeceased by his mother, **Eleanor Dodd Dunkerly '33**. Survivors include his wife and one child.

Wei Ge, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 9, 2013. He earned a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. A professor of economics, he joined the Bucknell faculty in 1995. He specialized in the economies of China and other Asia/Pacific

nations, and was an affiliate faculty member in the Department of East Asian Studies. Survivors include his wife.

Rupert Lawrence, Milton, Pa., on Sept. 10, 2013. He worked for Bucknell's Dining Services. Survivors include four children and eight grandchildren.

FRIENDS

Lawrence Becker, Montrose, Colo., on Aug. 2, 2013. He graduated from Princeton University and served in the Marines during the Korean War. He worked in mortgage banking in Palo Alto, San Francisco and Pasadena, Calif. Survivors include his wife.

Bette MacDonald Becker, five children and nine grandchildren.

Ruth Bergen, Irving, N.Y., on Aug. 29, 2013. She was predeceased by her husband, **John '35**. Survivors include three children, six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Stewart Bonnell P'14, Stamford, Conn., on Sept. 15, 2013. He was an executive with Avon Products in Montreal, London and NYC during his 33-year career. Survivors include his wife, **Harriet Edelman '77**; three children, including **Julia '14**; and five grandchildren.

Ray Daley, Absecon, N.J., on July 26, 2013. He was a retired Ocean City High School science teacher and former Pleasantville Police sergeant. Survivors include his wife, **Lynne Bowen Daley '63**; four children; seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Fred Hunneke, Kinston, N.C., on Aug. 9, 2013. He served in the Marines during WWII and the Korean War. He attended Ithaca College, the Marine Corps Institute, Westminster College, the Naval War College and the Army War College. He started textile mill Domestic Lace in 1955. Survivors include his wife, **Anneliese Traumuller Hunneke '53**; three children; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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— *Karne Dudiak Field '96*

"This group project for our Phenomenology of Being course is tougher than I thought it would be!"

— *Daniel Welliver*

"Earning a full membership in Cap and Dagger began at the bottom."

— *Dorothy Dale Trumbower '56*

"If they only knew Santa's helpers weren't elves."

— *Clare Daniels P'16*

"We do! Well actually, she does."

— *Ian Henry P'17*

Congratulations, winners!

Carolyn Kallin P'78, Owego, N.Y., on Feb. 1, 2012. She attended Lake Superior State College and was a homemaker. Survivors include three children, including **Robert '78**, and five grandchildren.

Richard Kane, Spring, Texas, on Dec. 30, 2011. He earned a bachelor's from the University of Nebraska and served in the Navy during the Korean War. Survivors include his wife, **Mary Ann Deegan Kane '61**; six children; and 10 grandchildren.

Stuart Kirsehnbaum P'14, Lawrence, N.Y., on Oct. 10, 2013. He practiced labor law. Survivors include his wife and two children, including **Elizabeth '14**.

Guy Messina, Lewisburg, Pa., on Oct. 2, 2013. He attended Catholic University and New York University and served in the Marines. He was a civil engineer for the highway department in Nassau County, N.Y., for 35 years before

retiring. Survivors include his wife, four children and eight grandchildren.

James Sligh, Stone Mountain, Ga., on Dec. 2, 2010. He earned a bachelor's from the University of Georgia and a master's from Emory University. He served in the Army and Air Force Reserve during and after WWII. He was dean of student affairs and theater director at Georgia State University where he produced and directed more than 150 productions. His interview and theater criticism show "Front Row Center" appeared weekly on GCTV channels. Survivors include his wife, **Suzanne Alisch Sligh '60**; three children; and seven grandchildren.

Janet Sinn P'95, Cazenovia, N.Y., on May 17, 2010. She earned a bachelor's from Michigan State University. She was the vice president and treasurer of Syracuse Suburban Gas. Survivors include four children, including **Carver**

'95, and eight grandchildren.

Richard Sinn P'95, Cazenovia, N.Y., on April 27, 2013. He earned a bachelor's from Syracuse University. He was vice president of Syracuse Suburban Gas. Survivors include four children, including **Carver '95**, and eight grandchildren.

Miriam Stoltzfus P'96, Lewisburg, Pa., on Sept. 16, 2013. She attended Eastern Mennonite College and taught at Greenwood Mennonite School and Maranatha Christian School. Survivors include her husband; five children, including **J. Michael '96**; 13 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

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Janet Plumb Slater '76
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Fall 2013 Puzzle Answer:
Cartography

Clever work, everyone!

Letters (cont.)

FOCUS ON OCEAN HEALTH

Congratulations to **Archis Ambulkar M'05** on his appointment to the UN World Ocean Assessment initiative, an important and timely endeavor. Unfortunately, the Q&A announcing his appointment ["Moore Avenue," Fall 2013] focused on the issues of global warming and sea-level rise. These are terrestrial issues. Far more important to the health of the oceans is the problem of ocean acidification.

Ocean acidification is directly caused by the burning of fossil fuels. Since the beginning of the industrial revolution, the ocean has absorbed over 525 billion tons of carbon dioxide and presently absorbs about one-third of fossil fuel emissions or 11-12 billion tons annually. Carbon dioxide reacts with seawater to form carbonic acid lowering ocean pH. Average surface ocean pH is already down 0.1 and is predicted to be 0.3-0.4 lower by the end of this century. While that may not seem like much, pH is on a log base-ten scale so a decrease of 0.3 represents approximately a doubling of seawater acidity. With this change in pH, carbonate ion concentration is reduced by about half. For calcareous organisms, this could be catastrophic.

While the chemistry of ocean acidification is entirely predictable based upon the amount of carbon dioxide added to the ocean, the biological impacts of ocean acidification are largely unknown and difficult to predict. Calcareous organisms will most likely suffer detrimental impacts; non-calcareous organisms may prosper from lack of competition, while ecological entanglements will surely complicate any simple extrapolations. During the next 100 years, as we proceed to peak oil and gas production, the health of the ocean will be severely challenged. How this will impact ocean fisheries and the people that depend upon them is anybody's guess.

Edward Peltzer '72
Soquel, Calif.

RECONSIDERING CHINA

I was struck by Professor Zhiqun Zhu's response to **Paul Moore's '81** letter about the article "10 Myths about Modern China" [Fall 2013]. I am now in my second year of living and working in China, and I find that Prof. Zhu's comments align completely with my own experiences.

Let me first comment on Mr. Moore's letter. He seems to feel that Prof. Zhu propagates the ideology of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) by failing to note the discrepancies between official documents and everyday events. That is true for all countries. All have their inherent contradictions. In the U.S., the myth of the Lone Ranger or rugged individualist is belied by the syndrome of "keeping up with the Joneses," the extreme power of peer pressure that is felt by many Americans — not to mention the ongoing disputes played out through the courts and in the political arena about how to interpret key provisions of America's constitution.

The most salient point in Prof. Zhu's response is his contention that the view Americans have of modern-day China is outdated at best, if not completely distorted (leaving aside the squabble about an "open media"). This has been my own experience. When I arrived in August 2012, I was stunned by what I found. China's infrastructure is highly advanced: high-speed trains, modern highways, well designed airports, new and often architecturally innovative buildings in cities, convenient local transportation systems, 4G networks and beautiful green spaces. I am a teacher, so I have noticed as well the heavy investment China is making in its educational system. And I teach in a Chinese public school, not an exclusive international school. Also in my experience, most people under the age of 30 speak English well enough for me to communicate with them. This is not to occlude the many problems in China as a result of this development, pollution most obviously, or the

extremes between wealth and poverty (also seen in the U.S.), which Prof. Zhu discusses.

Mr. Moore seemed in his letter to be particularly concerned about the issue of religious freedom. On that topic, I can only say that I have seen several churches in the city where I live. I do not detect any particular pressure concerning religion. One can go in and out of the churches freely. A number of Chinese people I know wear crosses around their necks. When I talk about Thanksgiving or Christmas, others volunteer that they are Christians. In my school, the Western staff are given Christmas day off to celebrate it. Of course, many Chinese are not Christian. Many follow Asian systems of belief: Buddhism or Taoism to name two. But many also have no particular religious belief, just as in many other countries where I have lived. In that respect, I find China to be no different.

In people's daily lives, I find the CCP plays no more important role than does any political party in Western countries. Many of the Chinese people I meet are, or seem to be, apolitical, no more involved in politics than I have seen people to be in other countries, including the U.S. The young people I meet seem much more interested in their jobs, their love lives, in making and spending money. In fact, my impression of China is not that it is a communist country or a capitalist country so much as it is a consumerist country. If married, they are obsessed about the family. Sound familiar?

In short, China is a fascinating country, both modern and ancient, sophisticated and backward. It is rapidly evolving while also cherishing its more than 5,000 years of continuous history as a civilization. We would do well to recognize and acknowledge its complexities rather than to content ourselves with potted half-truths or outdated stereotypes.

John F. Larner '73, M'78
Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China



President Kennedy's limousine as it originally looked.

The Hope of Dallas

A lifelong interest in the JFK assassination leads an alumna to new conclusions.

By Pamela McElwain Brown '64

The sunlight and warmth of Nov. 22, 1963, enveloped me in a comfortable cocoon as I sat, reading a book, in Hunt Hall library when the chatter of a transistor radio outside broke my reverie. Suddenly, **Carol Caughey Bowen '64** burst into the room, asking "How can you sit there? Don't you know the President has been shot?"

I could not think. I could not breathe. I felt I was suffocating. I had to get outside. I had to hear firsthand what was happening — thus began my lifelong need to know exactly what had happened to President Kennedy that day in Dallas.

Those days cast a shadow over my senior year. I moved to New York City after graduation, unsure what to do with my life, unsure what lay ahead for our country.

In September 1964, the Warren Commission Report was published. Its conclusion puzzled me — three shots from the rear. After an early viewing of the Zapruder film in 1964, I realized that the crime had taken place in the limousine. The Warren Commission specified the wrong direction for the shots. I eagerly gathered news articles, books and magazines, but ended up tossing them out in discouragement following the failed investigation of Orleans Parish, La., District Attorney Jim Garrison.

The images of JFK in the exquisite midnight blue limousine, from the Zapruder film, haunted me. JFK had said, "Do something for your country." But what? During the '80s, I met a researcher who pointed me to new books and documents. I again joined the quest for answers, this time at full throttle.

I dug for information in the National Archives, Henry Ford Museum and the JFK Library. The blueprints were proprietary. No details for security reasons. I started a website on the limo in 1998, and quickly came under attack. This niche was

really a vortex of mystery. But now, I did my best to accept discouragement and disapproval, and began to stoically persist. My findings challenged everyone's understanding. I've lived in that vortex ever since.

This November, my husband, Donner, and I journeyed again to Dallas, this time to share "Midnight Blue to Black — the Vanishing Act of the JFK Presidential Limousine in Broad Daylight," at the JFK Lancer 50th Anniversary Conference. I defined the security flaw of the limo in open configuration. I demonstrated that the limo was rebuilt immediately following the assassination under a cloak of secrecy and disinformation. It was then painted black at LBJ's insistence.

*"How can you sit there?
Don't you know the
President has been shot?"*

It was conveniently unavailable for the Warren Commission re-enactment in May of 1964. Within the conference walls there was agreement with what I had said. Outside, however, the press said almost nothing about the limousine, while still promoting the conclusion of the Warren Commission Report. What is so terrible about this event that even 50 years later, we are not supposed to think it through on our own, I wondered? Just the same, I left Dallas with the conviction that wherever men and women can reason and ask questions there is hope for the future, and for our country.

Pamela McElwain Brown '64 is generally acknowledged to be the foremost authority on the JFK assassination presidential limousine, SS-100-X. She has given several presentations on the famous limousine, published articles in the U.S. and abroad and has been featured in numerous television programs. To learn more, go to her site, ss100x.com.

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