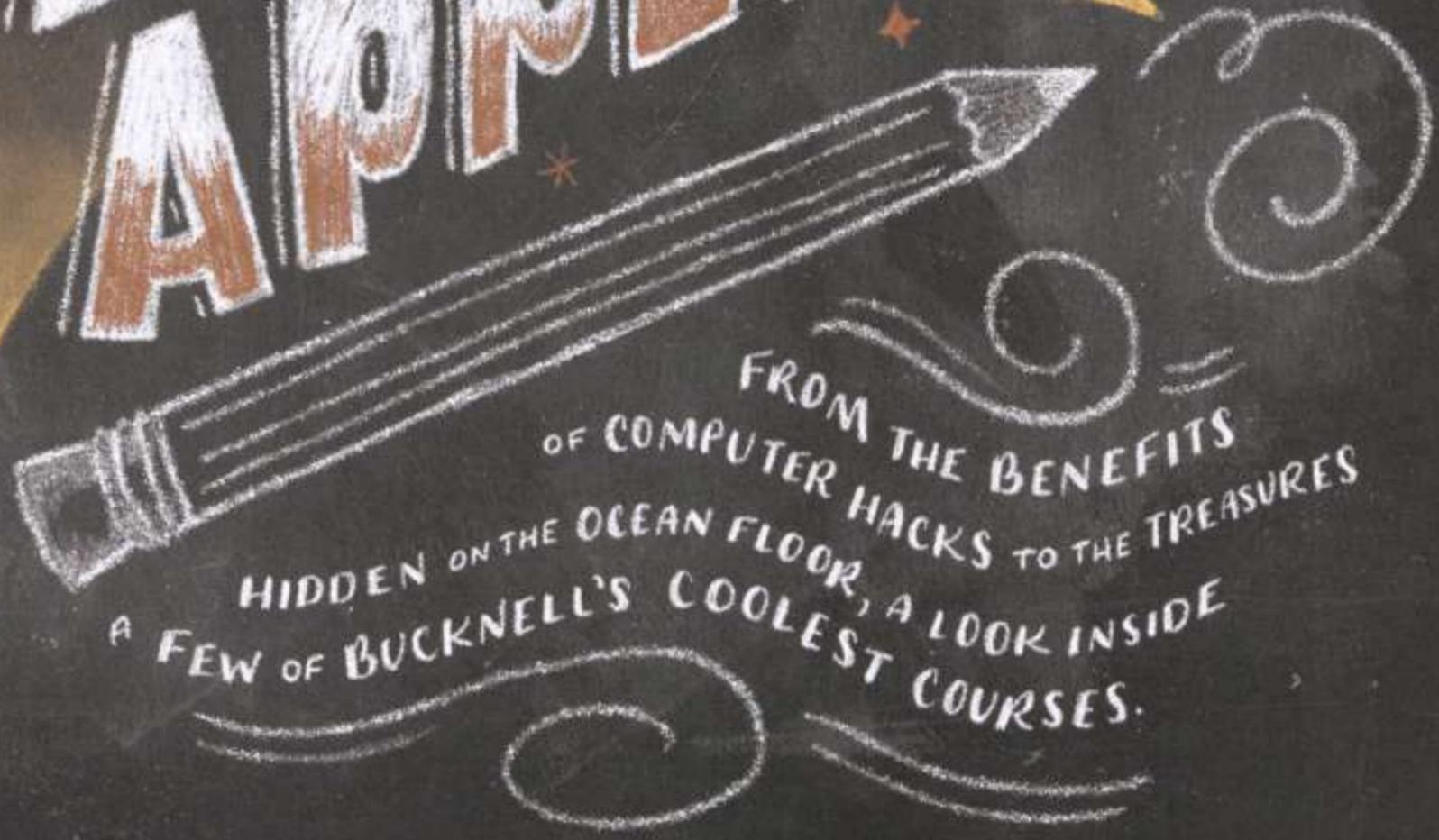


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Excellence at the Intersections



In February, more than 200 alumni, parents and friends gathered at CBS's *The Price Is Right* studio in Los Angeles to learn about and celebrate the WE DO Campaign for Bucknell University, which is now about two-thirds of the way toward its half-billion dollar goal. The iconic Showcase Showdown wheel in Studio 33 received its fair share of attention, but what truly captured our guests' imaginations were Bucknell's faculty and student presenters, who demonstrated the tremendous learning and discovery that emerge so organically from Bucknell's academic offerings.

At four events in cities around the country, I have the honor of speaking with Bucknellians and sharing the University's plans and hopes for the future. I want to share those aspirations here in brief so that the broader Bucknell community might, too, feel the excitement so palpable among our alumni, parents, friends, students, faculty and staff alike.

We know that Bucknellians far and wide agree that the University's greatest asset is its academic core, which falls into the structural areas of the College of Arts & Sciences, College of Engineering and School of Management — a set of academic offerings giving us a competitive advantage that is rare at a personalized, residential university. Our faculty have created outstanding learning experiences not only within these areas, but also — notably — between and among the disciplines.

For example, at the union of the sciences and social sciences we have the Geisinger-Bucknell Autism & Developmental Medicine Center, and our Arts Entrepreneurship minor was shaped at the convergence of art, business and innovation. From the longstanding Institute for Leadership in Technology and Management to the new, policy-oriented Bucknell in D.C. semester-long program, Bucknell excels at offering academic experiences that immerse students in important, cross-disciplinary topics and connect them with leaders in fields that address the significant issues of the day.

It is these areas of overlap that I see as holding the greatest potential for Bucknell to become truly distinctive. My vision for the future is for us to invest in programs that deliver excellence at the intersections, all the while maintaining the University's disciplinary strengths and liberal arts foundation, to form a curriculum that only enhances further what we already know to be a truly great institution.

John Bravman, PRESIDENT

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Letters

AN OPPOSING VIEW

After reading the article “Awakening” by **Richard Wormser '55** [Winter 2015], I had to question the judgment of the editors in not giving equal placement to an opposing view. The effort would have shown a commitment to diverse thought that is often lacking in American universities today.

First, Wormser claims that students were not exposed to diverse political views — including those of members of the Communist Party USA — at Bucknell in the '50s. Such was not the case. Anyone who took political science or history classes at Bucknell was well aware of Communist views.

But beyond this, the Class of 1959 created an endowment to bring speakers with diverse views to campus, and we invited Benjamin Davis, head of the Communist Party USA's New York district. He came to Bucknell in 1961.

We were probably not as approving of Davis' views as Wormser, and with good reason. Wormser aligns Communist Party leaders with efforts to curb racial and religious discrimination toward Jews and blacks in America. We knew, however, that while many Communist Party leaders spoke out against discrimination in America, they also often defended Stalin's racial, religious and political discrimination in the Soviet Union — discrimination that led to the persecution of millions, including Jews. We looked forward to hearing Davis' explanation.

We were aware of the charges that some American Communist Party members were not only engaging in above-ground political activity but also covert activity. Those charges were not proven until Harvey Klehr and John Earl Haynes published internal American Communist Party documents, but some of us were concerned enough to want to probe Davis about them.

Wormser believes we were “oblivious” to the “turbulence” in the outside world. But from classes with Professors

Oliphant, Hilliard, Hollister and others, we were well aware that Soviet troops had occupied Hungary, violently overthrown the Hungarian government and destroyed the diversity about which Wormser speaks. Just as important, we knew that American Communist leaders had consistently defended Khrushchev's actions in Hungary. We wanted to question Davis on whether the Communist leaders would take similar actions in the United States.

Wormser attributes our ignorance to the “McCarthy years ... when thousands were silenced, threatened, accused, fired, tried, imprisoned, occasionally beaten and brutalized for unorthodox political thoughts.” This is a gross exaggeration. What isn't an exaggeration is that millions (by many historians' estimates, more than 20 million) were imprisoned in Soviet gulags under a system that the American Communist leaders defended. Nonetheless, we were aware that McCarthyism had both caused suffering to scores of Americans and had a chilling effect on discussion.

Many believed the '50s were dull, but I recall stimulating debates on campus during the 1956 Eisenhower–Stevenson election campaign. Wormser looks back and regrets he didn't realize how bad things were. I look back and regret that we didn't realize how good things were. I suspect most of our teachers were for Stevenson, but Ike got us out of Korea and kept us out of Vietnam. He steered us away from nuclear war; gave us a string of balanced budgets; built the interstate highway system; enforced school integration by sending U.S. troops into Little Rock, Ark.; and presided over the last period in which income equality increased rather than decreased in our country. No wonder things seemed dull!

I recall the '50s as a good period to be living in America and getting a first-rate college education. I recall a faculty who exposed us to what was going on in the world, both the evils of McCarthyism

and, by comparison, the immensely greater evils and atrocities of Stalin. And I recall students who sought diversity of views on campus. Like many others at Bucknell, I went on to seek change through public service, but not the change sought by the Communist Party leaders with whom Wormser sympathizes.

John R. Miller '59
Corte Madera, Calif.

PROUD TO BE A BUCKNELLIAN

I'm writing to congratulate the Bicycles Against Poverty team highlighted in the Fall 2014 issue. As a Bucknellian in the impact investing and global development space, I am impressed with this initiative. The team seems to have terrific focus on customer needs and wants (not common in development!) while also carefully considering longer-term sustainability. Further, their vision of empowerment and passion for change is inspiring. I noticed there wasn't a website listed in the article and wanted to call attention to it for those interested. I encourage others to take a look at bicyclesagainst-poverty.org and learn about their great work across the globe. It makes me proud to be a Bucknellian.

Amy Rowe Klement '96
Los Altos, Calif.

*ERRATA: In the article “A Love Story” [Fall 2014], we neglected to mention that **Katherine Ward '66** was the editor of the book *Flivverin' With You*. To read more about Ward and her work, see page 41.*

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News&Notes

On Thin Ice

Mysterious land formations in New Zealand and Alaska show how warmer temperatures are changing the landscape.

By Maureen Harmon

It's a story Jeff Trop tells whenever someone asks about his research with Craig Kochel. The Bucknell geology professors were chatting in Trop's office, when a scenic photo of Alaska flashed across his monitor. Kochel was perplexed. He was a land formation expert but had never seen formations like the ones pictured, though they reminded him of hill slope features in images of Mars' polar regions that he had been studying.

His question for Trop: What *was* that?

Trop didn't have an answer, so the pair teamed up to figure it out. What they didn't know then was that the image was holding still, just for a moment, a process that was rapidly changing the landscape.

From what Trop and Kochel could tell, no one had studied these forms before,

largely due to their remote locations, but this kind of thing was right up their respective alleys. Trop has worked near volcanoes, in canyons and on mountain-tops to document the planet's history as told through its own ancient rock archives. And Kochel has spent a career studying geomorphology, the ways in which landscapes evolve, and the effects that events such as floods, landslides and avalanches have on topography.

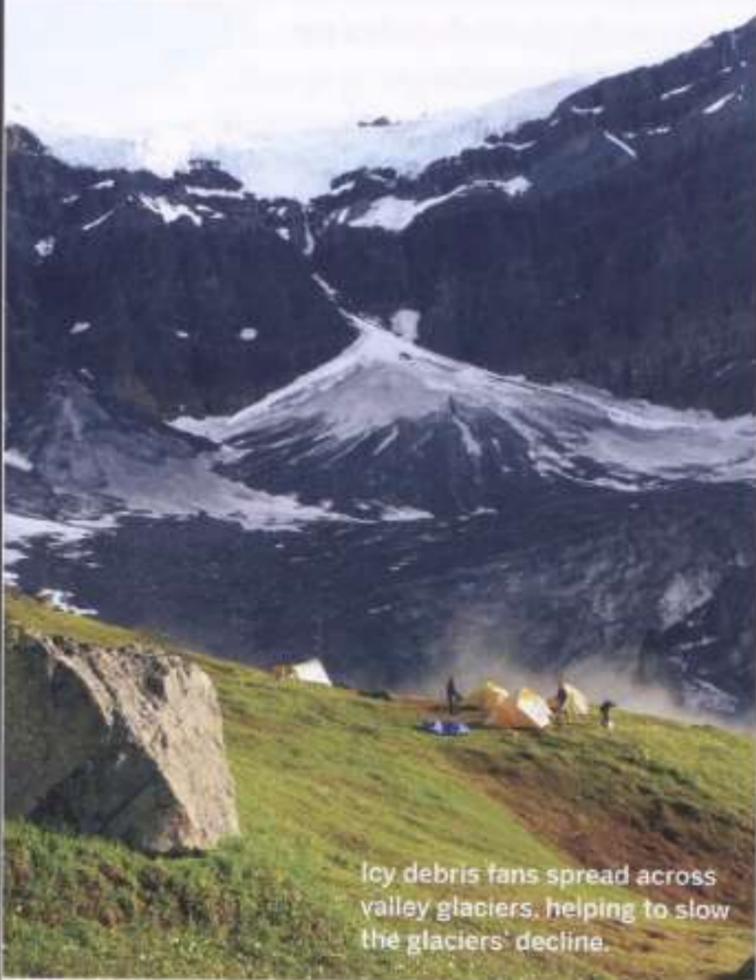
The pair earned an initial \$15,000 grant from the National Geographic Society's Waitt Foundation to fund study of the mysterious landforms and what they might tell us about similar formations found on Mars. In 2012 they, along with fellow geology professor Robert Jacob, received a \$275,000 National Science Foundation (NSF) grant to fund three years worth of research time, equipment and travel to Alaska and New Zealand for Kochel, Trop, Jacob and student researchers. The Bucknell team has been the first to explain what those landforms are and why they're there.

The phenomena captured in the picture are what Trop and Kochel call icy debris fans, landforms made mostly of ice with minor amounts of rock, resulting from avalanches caused by

melting ice caps in areas such as the Wrangell Mountains of Alaska and the Southern Alps of New Zealand. When the ice caps melt away, they lose their direct connection to valley glaciers. The melt causes frequent avalanches that transport ice and rock down steep mountainsides, creating icy debris fans at the base of the slopes. Those fans then spread over the valley glaciers and ultimately help to slow the glaciers' decline.

"Although some of the avalanche deposits sublimate and melt," says Kochel, "much of the ice is assimilated into the icy debris fans and then flows through the subsurface into the valley glaciers, contributing to the overall ice budget of the glacier."

In March, the Bucknell team of professors and students traveled to New Zealand for the last of their NSF-funded trips. They spent their nights in a lodge in the small town of Fox Glacier, which conveniently houses a helicopter base that they loaded with equipment each morning awaiting a ride to the field. Their days were spent using LiDAR mapping technology and ground-penetrating radar to capture images of the subsurface; pulling time-lapse images from solar-powered



Icy debris fans spread across valley glaciers, helping to slow the glaciers' decline.

cameras; and flying drones up the steep escarpments left exposed when the ice caps pulled away from the glacial valleys in a process called deglaciation. When the weather turned, and it often does in that area, the team used a satellite phone to call upon the helicopter for a ride home. "It's pretty exciting field work," says Trop.

While the research is exciting, its findings are not necessarily ones we want to see. "Recently deglaciated landscapes are exceedingly hazardous and unstable; they're prone to avalanches, debris flows, landslides, rockslides and breakout floods," says Kochel.

The data is helping the group tell the story of icy debris fields and the ways in which they relate to climate change. **Mattie Reid '15** has presented at a national conference on her work with time-lapse camera analysis, and she defended an honors thesis related to the work. **Erica Rubino '15** presented her work with ground-penetrating radar analysis at a national conference and also defended an honors thesis. And the professors who started it all have published the only two articles to date on icy debris fans, the latest appearing in the journal *Geomorphology*.

But that paper likely won't be the last. Kochel and Trop predict that as the planet slowly grows warmer, icy debris fans won't be such a mystery at all. In fact, they'll be much more abundant. **Liz Wills '15** has already mapped icy debris fans in the Himalayas near Mt. Everest and is finding them in other areas of Alaska, the European Alps and the Canadian Rockies.

In 20 years, researchers will head back to the field to document longer-term change. Trop predicts they'll see an even more dramatic look for the landscape: The glacial valleys will be toast, as he puts it. "Right now, the ice delivered to the glaciers from the fans may be most of their annual ice budget," says Kochel. So while the fans help to slow the demise of the glaciers, once the fans are gone, the glaciers they have protected will melt away, too, seriously jeopardizing the water supply below.

Professor Jeff Trop and his students have amassed one of the best collections of eurypterid fossils in North America through fossil hunts at nearby Winfield Quarry.



Big Discoveries, Close to Home

It was a fall day in 2008 when **Kate Fleming '09** carried a fossil over to Professor Jeff Trop, geology, wondering what it was. They were fossil hunting in Winfield Quarry, just four miles from campus, with the rest of Trop's paleontology class. While the group had studied fossils in the University's collection before heading out in the field, this was one Fleming had never seen before.

Trop, of course, knew exactly what it was. He had seen his fair share of eurypterid fossils while doing undergraduate work at the University of Rochester in New York, where the eurypterid is the state fossil. (Pennsylvania's, by the way, is the trilobite.) Preserved remains of the 400-million-year-old arthropods are abundant in New York, and should have been in the Bucknell collection, too, but they weren't. It seemed as if nobody, says Trop, had been looking for them.

Over the next few years, Trop and his students realized that Winfield Quarry was a hotbed of well-preserved eurypterid fossils, so much so that they have amassed a collection of more than 2,000. Trop considers it one of the best collections in North America, not only for its size, but also for the quality of the fossils, many revealing full bodies intact. The location of the find also allows researchers to see how rising sea levels hundreds of millions of years ago affected marine populations — a useful tool in predicting the future of modern-day marine life.

The discoveries in Winfield Quarry even revealed new information about the eurypterids' behavior. It was long believed, for example, that eurypterids spent much of their time at the shoreline, possibly to mate and molt their skeletons, much like today's horseshoe crabs. But access to exposed rock layers in the quarry has led scientists like Trop to surmise that they may have lived in the water, in shallow protected areas, which ultimately became their graves when sea levels rose.

The Winfield Quarry eurypterid fossils live at the Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History, which houses nearly all eurypterid fossils from researchers in North America, but five of the best are on permanent loan to Bucknell, including Fleming's, which Trop calls one of the finest specimens of the lot.

— Maureen Harmon

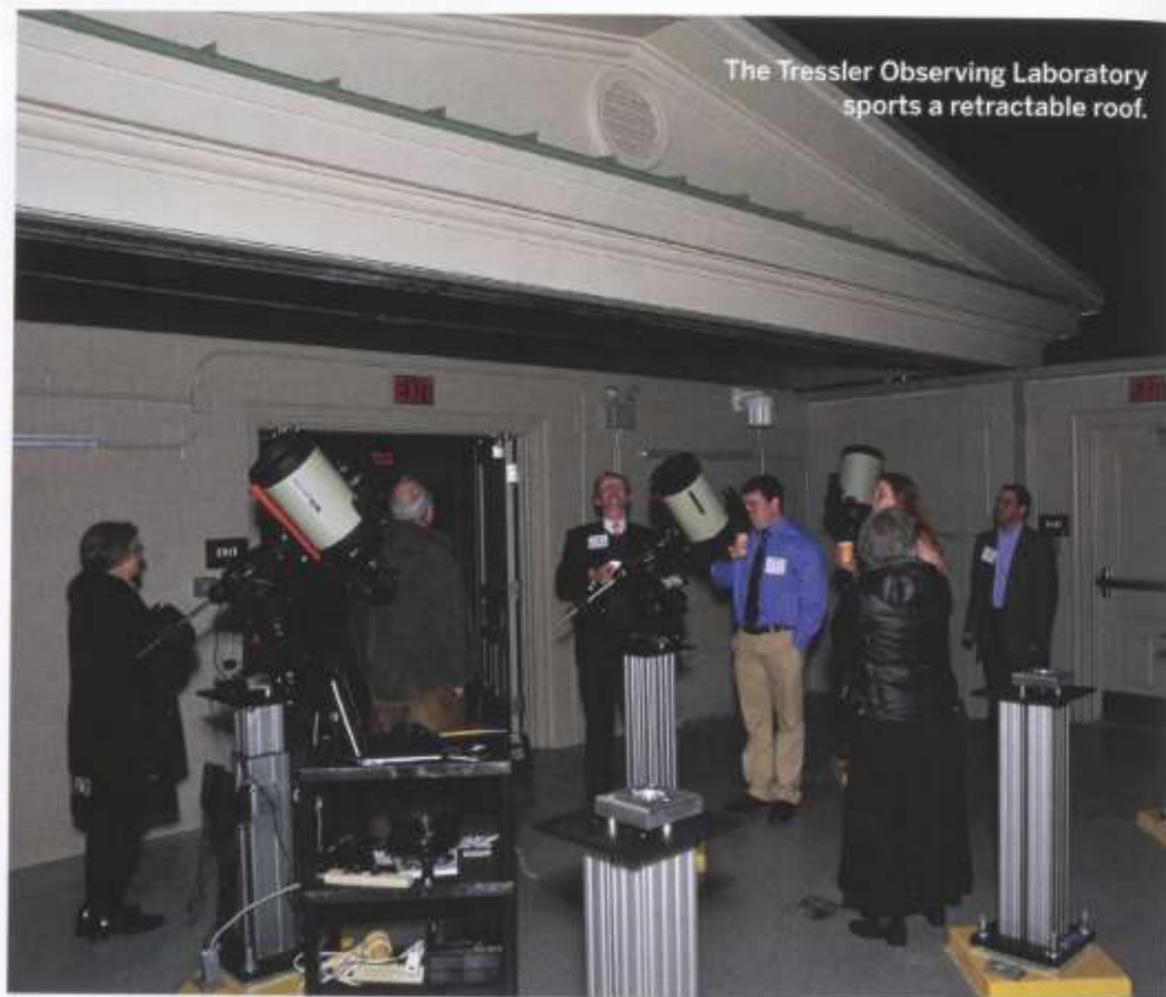
Starry Nights

A new campus facility gives the Bucknell community a better look at the night sky.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

In the past, students and faculty members used University telescopes to view the night sky from a wooden observation deck near the Observatory. When they were done, they powered down the equipment and shielded it from the elements with weatherproof bags. No matter how carefully covered, the expensive equipment still suffered wear and tear, and footsteps along the deck caused vibrations, affecting image quality. But now they'll have a better view.

Thanks to a lead gift from the Isaac J. Tressler Fund for Astronomy, that deck has been replaced with a 535-square-foot building that houses six new telescopes and has a signature feature — a motorized roof that fully retracts to reveal the night



The Tressler Observing Laboratory sports a retractable roof.

sky. The Tressler Observing Laboratory and its equipment are used for astronomy class labs throughout the academic year, weather permitting, as well as for campus events and community nights for area families. The Tressler Fund also helps pay for visiting speakers, outreach programs, equipment and faculty observation time at the Apache Point Observatory in Sunspot, N.M.

The new telescopes, including an astrograph with advanced imaging capability, can be connected to laptops

and controlled remotely from inside the Observatory — a real advantage in cold weather — and the secure facility allows faculty and students to leave astronomical equipment such as spectrographs and cameras attached to the telescopes overnight. “In the past, we had to haul out all of our equipment,” says Professor Katelyn Allers, physics & astronomy. “Now we just roll the roof back, and we’re ready to go.”

To read more, visit bucknell.edu/Tressler.

Look Up!

Whether you visit a local observatory or peer at the night sky from your own backyard, you won't want to miss these upcoming shows in the skies over North America. — By Professor Ned Ladd, physics & astronomy

July 1: Venus/Jupiter conjunction

Look west in the early evening, and you'll catch Venus and Jupiter getting cozy. Even though they're more than 500 million miles apart, a 0.3 degree of separation between the two planets on July 1 will make the pair appear as if they are close neighbors.

Aug. 12: Perseid meteor shower and crescent moon

A crescent moon will watch over bright streaks crossing the sky, appearing to emanate from the constellation Perseus. (Tip: Meteor showers are always better in the early, pre-dawn hours.)

Sept. 27: Lunar eclipse

The Moon's glow will turn a reddish brown as it passes into the shadow of the Earth. For a few hours, the sun, the Earth and the moon will line

up so that the moon receives no direct sunlight. The view from the Moon would be even more spectacular though, as viewers would see a silhouetted Earth encircled by a ring of light.

Dec. 13: Geminid meteor shower

Another great meteor shower, but you'll likely need to bundle up for this one!

Dec. 31: Comet US10 Catalina

2015 will come to a close with the year's best comet. US10 Catalina will be as bright as the faintest of the Big Dipper's stars. Though it might look like a dim smudge to the naked eye, binoculars or a small telescope will really bring this New Year's Eve show to life.

Q&A

San Francisco Magazine named Debbie Juran '71, senior vice president and financial advisor at RBC Wealth Management, a 2014 Five Star Wealth Manager and one of the 10 most influential women in Silicon Valley.

Q: How have investing trends changed over the years?

A: The pace and basis of trading is nothing like it was when I started in 1977. Computerized trading and derivatives didn't exist. Stocks traded on what were quaintly known as fundamentals — things like earnings, market share and competitive advantage. Today, chaos theory wins. Trading is computerized, and stocks more often than not are not purchased for their

fundamentals. Online trading has "empowered" people with day jobs to become "experts" in a field that even the experts find difficult to manage.

Would I go back to the good old days? No. Change is inevitable and the beauty of this business, for me, lies in the constant challenge, the need to adapt and stay focused.

Q: What are some investing mistakes you see over and over?

A: Generally, I encourage people to continue to work at least until 65. Life expectancies are much longer than they were two generations ago. Retiring at 60 means a person is likely to have 30 or 40 years of life ahead to fill up with something meaningful. And Social Security is best taken at age 70 — a path that is rarely taken. People are determined to "get theirs," but they leave a lot on the table in doing so.

Another mistake is not realizing the time value of money. Start young; have lots of money later. I tell people more often than I'd like, "If you think you need the money now (as in send me \$10,000 from my IRA) while you're working and in good health, where do you think you'll be when you're old?" My father used to say, "If I knew I was going to live this



Debbie Juran '71

long, I would have taken better care of myself." The same is true for investing for retirement.

Q: What advice would you give a 20-year-old investor?

A: Absolutely put money in your 401K or employer-sponsored plan as soon as you are eligible, and put in enough to get the company match. I don't care how broke you think you are, it's money that would go to taxes anyway so just do it! The time value of money is a wonderful thing.

Q: How about people in their 50s?

A: Invest like you're going to live until you're 90; your kids will thank you. Portfolios should be adjusted based on changing objectives or risk tolerance, not birthdates.

Bucknell in the News

BUCKNELL BAT CAVES

The *New York Times* visited the bat caves inside Rooke Science Center and spoke to Professors Ken Field and DeeAnn Reeder, biology, and post-doctoral fellow Thomas Lilley about their efforts to understand white-nose syndrome and how it has killed millions of North American bats. The fungal infection causes bats to wake more frequently and burn extra calories during hibernation, the researchers said.

FLIES FADING FAST

The *L.A. Times* outlined a study of changes in species distribution associated with glacier recession in Montana's Glacier National Park penned by Professor Steve Jordan, biology, and researchers at the U.S. Geological Survey and the University of Montana. The western glacier stonefly was known to inhabit six streams flowing out of Zapada glacier in 2001. It's now found in only one.

RETHINKING RECYCLING

In a *New York Times* story about communities considering building commercial waste-to-energy plants, Professor Thomas Kinnaman, economics, said public enthusiasm about recycling has cooled. Some U.S. states have found recycling to be costlier than they first anticipated and are seeking cheaper alternatives for disposing of trash, which typically amount to burning or burying it.

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PACIFIC PRESSURES

Professor Zhiqun Zhu, director of Bucknell's China Institute, provided context for ongoing tensions between China and Japan in an interview with Al Jazeera America. Zhu claimed both nations have twisted history to push their own political agendas and said their leaders take confrontational stances to appease nationalists within their respective countries.

Here Comes the Pitch

BizPitch gets bigger — so do the cash prizes.

By Maureen Harmon

Every year, competitors in Bucknell's Business Pitch Competition (aka BizPitch) present their business plans to a panel of alumni entrepreneurs in exchange for advice and the possibility of startup funds. It's a little like ABC's *Shark Tank* — minus the cutthroat business deals and sass from the judges.

The Bucknell competition is intense. After all, the first-place team earns \$1,500 (second gets \$1,000 and third takes home \$500), as well as a one-year membership to the Bucknell University Entrepreneurs Incubator, which offers office space and services, as well as networking opportunities.

This year's competition featured proposals ranging from video production to a fitness app, as well as a surprise last-minute bump in the monetary awards when President John Bravman upped the ante and doubled each of the



A.M. Studio was one of five finalist teams in BizPitch '14.

winners' checks. In the end, the winning team, EZ-TAP, earned \$3,000 to further develop its idea: an easy-to-use app to replace physical ID cards.

Next year, the pot will be even sweeter, and the *Shark Tank* angle, a little more pronounced. The University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown (UPJ) was awarded a \$500,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to support Inc. U, a collaboration between UPJ, Bucknell and Penn State to offer more entrepreneurship programming and

courses. The grant will also up the prize levels for BizPitch and bring competitors from all three schools into the battle for funding.

Steven Stumbris, director of the Bucknell Small Business Development Center, is ready for what's to come. "This award recognizes how Bucknell's unique character — where undergraduate engineering and management programs collaborate in a liberal arts setting to create thought-leaders and doers — makes it a perfect setting for young entrepreneurs."

SHORT STACK

Professor Amanda Wooden, environmental studies, testified before a **House of Representatives subcommittee** about the emerging threat of water-related conflict in Central Asia. While she's skeptical of the "**water wars hypothesis**," in which countries go to war as water becomes more scarce, she said the contentious politics of water within Central Asian nations create internal strife that could spill over into international disputes.

Bucknell students **Catherine Higgins '18** and **Sarah Decker '17** earned Upstander Awards for their work in standing up to bullying. They were honored by the organization Facing History and Ourselves for their work in creating a school-district-wide **bullying awareness** and tolerance promotion campaign in their hometown of Watchung Hills, N.J. The campaign is still ongoing at Watchung Hills schools.

Global consulting firm Frost & Sullivan applauded Bucknell's strategies for handling big data and advanced analytics with its **2015 CIO Impact Award**. Bucknell was the **only U.S. university** to receive an award and was honored for its Bucknell University Intelligence project, an effort to examine student data holistically rather than through the traditional silos of the registrar, admissions and financial aid offices.

Water War

By Heather Smith '15

Last summer, **Heather Smith '15** became the 89th American woman to swim the English Channel. It took five months of training in Kinney Natatorium, followed by hours upon hours of open water swimming in the San Francisco Bay. It took seven months of cold showers and an additional 15 pounds of body mass to ready her for the Channel's chilly temperatures. Smith, a Russian studies and classics & ancient Mediterranean studies major, takes us along on the 22-mile swim, which she completed in 11 hours and 10 minutes.

I climbed down the boat's ladder, waded in past the water break and stood on dry sand. After adjusting my goggles for the final time, I held my right hand in the air, signaling I was ready. A horn blew, and I ran back into the water.

To my right was the boat, and to my left I could see the sun rising over the white cliffs of Dover. In front of me was open water stretching out to the horizon.

When I swim, my brain transforms into an automatic music shuffle, and I never know what will play. The first two and a half hours flew by with Britney Spears and Lana Del Rey. I passed jellyfish, trash bags, chunks of seaweed and an assortment of fish. My coach wrote messages to me on a large sketchbook — one of my favorites, "Food in 5 min," meant a protein and carbohydrate

drink would come to me on a neon-colored rope. I was in the zone in hours four and five, but unexpectedly, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" came on my brain's playlist and stayed on repeat for more than two hours.

Hour seven: My coach held up a sign, "France Side." My crew took off their jackets to reveal T-shirts that read, "France." I smiled and continued swimming, but soon, the grind set in. The water seemed cooler, but I still felt strong. I was planning to land at Cap Gris Nez, a portion of land jutting out from France. If you miss the Cap, the tides sweep you away from land, adding several hours to the journey. Sometimes missing the Cap can end a swim.

Hour eight: The tides were turning faster than expected. I was told to sprint for 90



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minutes. I gave it everything I had, but my coach held a sign that said, "I really need you to pick up the pace." Soon she delivered the heartbreaking news that I had missed the Cap. Over the next two hours, I suffered my darkest moments. France looked so close, but each time I looked up, the view was the same.

Hour eleven: I could feel the waters calm. We had hooked in south of Cap Gris Nez and headed into the cove of Pointe du Riden. I swam toward a large section of rocks in the middle of the sand. When I reached them, I climbed up, stood tall and raised my hand.

Management majors **Anna Astakhishvili '16** and **Rachel Wahl '16** were members of the winning team in the case study competition at the prestigious 2014 Business Today Conference. In Bucknell's first year attending the conference, and as several of the world's most powerful CEOs looked on, the students presented their financial and marketing plan for a **wearable fitness-tracking device**.

The **Australian government's** Department of Education awarded Provost Mick Smyer an Endeavour Executive Fellowship to pursue his project, *Graying Green: Climate Communication for an Aging World*. Smyer's project links the global patterns of **climate change and population aging**, as well as the psychology of communication, to examine how climate scientists can target older individuals for collaboration.

On Jan. 19, hundreds of students took part in Bucknell's first-ever **Martin Luther King Jr. Day Teach-In**. Bucknell faculty used the national holiday and their classrooms to reflect on civil rights and social justice issues, with topics including how **diets reflect social and income inequality**, musicians as advocates for social justice and how racism affected reaction to the most recent Ebola outbreak.

Beyond Words

What dialects reveal about the history of a language and what we lose when teaching prescriptive grammar.

By Paula Harrison

People speak the way they do for a reason, says Professor Hiram Smith, Spanish, and it all has to do with the history of a language, not the intelligence of the speaker. Smith, who studies stigmatized dialects, cites San Basilio de Palenque, a small village in Colombia founded in the 1600s by a band of slaves who had escaped their Spanish captors. Villagers, especially older ones, still speak Palenquero, a blend of Spanish and the Kikongo language spoken in the tropical forests of the Congo and Angola. "It's an endangered Creole language," Smith says. "Many Spanish-speakers viewed it

as a corrupted Spanish dialect, and many Palenqueros were ridiculed for speaking it. As a result, the language is dying." Palenquero became the focus of his research as a graduate student.

Understanding the historical background of a dialect helps to engender linguistic pride and erase linguistic prejudice, Smith says. "Unfortunately, we're all taught prescriptive grammar. Too much emphasis is placed on how a language should be spoken and not enough time is taken to understand why it's being spoken that way in the first place. Should a child be corrected or criticized for speaking the way his family has for generations?"

Conducting sociolinguistic interviews can be tricky, especially when the subjects come from different cultures. How do you put people at ease? How do you learn not to offend? How do you protect your subjects' dignities and identities? These questions are at the heart of Smith's class on field research.

Someday, he hopes to take a group to San Basilio de Palenque, but his students must learn to interview local populations first. "The goal," he says, "is to record speech as it is spoken in a natural setting, analyze it using quantitative methods, and then provide more reliable descriptions of the grammar as it is actually spoken in communities."

FACULTY PROFILE: Jennifer Silva

All the rules are changing for Americans growing up in poor or working-class environments. "Blue-collar jobs are disappearing, and college educations are too often out of reach," says Professor Jennifer Silva, sociology. While past generations could expect steady jobs, home ownership and stable marriages based on traditional gender roles, today's young working class faces an uncertain future. Silva explored this shift in her doctoral work and a subsequent two-year research fellowship, which led to her book *Coming Up Short: Working-Class Adulthood in an Age of Uncertainty*.

She conducted numerous personal interviews during her research, often approaching people on the street or at workplaces, community colleges or temp agencies. "Some of these conversations lasted for hours," she says, "and touched on serious personal issues like abuse, mental health

problems and addiction."

Silva points out that creating a safe space in the classroom for honest discussion about issues of inequality and culture is a step toward understanding the bigger picture. "I'd also love to put my students on the kind of budget a typical working-class single mom has to work with," she says. "Could they survive for a week, or a month or a year?"

Silva's students also learn how to conduct interviews effectively. "It's all about forming relationships — being able to put yourself in someone else's shoes and really understand where they are coming from," she says. — Paula Harrison





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Student Life & Sports

A Chat at Bat

As Cydnee Sanders '15 got to know her new coach, the pair figured the best way to do what was right for the team — and Sanders' career as a Bison — was to talk it out.

By William Bowman

In the first game of her final season with Bucknell's softball team, the atypical career of **Cydnee Sanders '15** had what has become a pretty typical moment.

After finishing third in the nation in batting as a junior in 2014 and leading the Bison to the Patriot League title game, Sanders had a chance to break a tie and drive in the game-winning run in the team's 2015 debut. In a tense moment,

the senior from Magnolia, Texas, called a timeout to discuss the situation with head coach Bonnie Skrenta.

Conversations between the two are regular occurrences, particularly since Skrenta took over the Bison program

following Sanders' first season. Skrenta quickly understood the impact Sanders could have on the program when her starting shortstop became a regular visitor to her office. "It's difficult when a new coach comes in. We don't know the players, and they don't know us," Skrenta says. "But every day, Cyd came in to talk, asking me 'what's next?' Not many kids do that."

For Sanders, it was an extension of who she is, putting her anthropology and sociology major to practical use. She chose Bucknell for its combination of athletics and academics — she was the Patriot League's Scholar Athlete of the Year in softball in a record-breaking 2014 season — and for what it offered outside of class.

"I knew we had to make it work," Sanders says. "We are all lucky to be at a place like Bucknell and lucky to play a game we love. I wanted to make sure I knew what was happening — to understand her direction for the program and what she expected."

For Skrenta those talks were also about letting Sanders take charge of her own game. "Early on, I needed her to know I had confidence in her."

And of that talk in the last inning of a tie game at the start of the 2015 season? "Cyd asked me what I thought of her game plan," Skrenta recalls. "I told her, 'You can do whatever you want right now. Whatever you do is going to be right.'"

The result? "She drove in the winning run, of course."

The starting shortstop for the Bucknell Bison was the Patriot League's Scholar Athlete of the Year in softball in 2014.

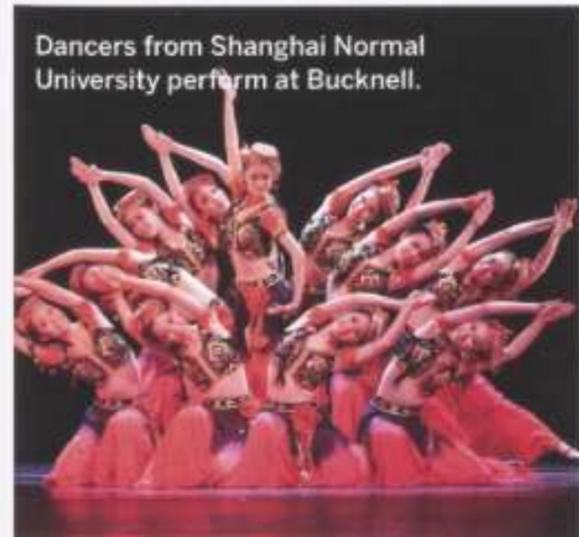


When East Meets West

By Maureen Harmon

The dancers began prepping for their performance on separate continents. Students at Shanghai Normal University worked on half of a piece, "Shall We Dance?" as the Bucknell Dance Company rehearsed its own part. The groups merged their talents just days before their joint performance at the Harvey M. Powers Theatre in Coleman Hall in December. "The concert truly 'built a bridge' between the students," says Professor Er-dong Hu, dance. "They didn't speak the same language but were able to work together through body movement."

"East Meets West: Fall Dance Gala," featured choreography by faculty from both schools, music from students at Shanghai Jiao Tong University and works by guest artists Salim Gauwloos and Chelsea Dieck '13. It also included the debut of two pieces: Dance Professor Kelly Knox's work was a commentary on the disconnection born of a connected world, and Hu's work, "Ascent," incorporated aerial movement with the help of 40 feet of silk rope. "Even though we were sitting in a theatre in Lewisburg, Pa., we felt transported to another world," says Knox. "The performance allowed us to celebrate our commonalities and our differences."



Dancers from Shanghai Normal University perform at Bucknell.



Anna Astakhishvili '15, a global management major, designed her own concentration in emerging markets.

STUDENT PROFILE

Anna Astakhishvili '15

When she decided to take a theatre class during her first year, Anna Astakhishvili '15 wasn't sure what to expect. "I had never done theatre before. My professor asked us to step outside our comfort zones, and I thought, *Haven't I done that enough already?*"

Astakhishvili had just moved to Bucknell from her home country of Georgia to pursue a liberal arts education. Every day was full of new experiences, but she found her place. "Bucknell became home for me when I arrived. We have a saying in my country about people opening doors for each other — 'like doors to your heart.' People accepted me and embraced me, and it was very empowering," she says.

Theatre taught her about adaptability and collaboration, skills that have served her well as a global management major. With the help of her advisers, Astakhishvili designed her own concentration in emerging markets — economies in countries undergoing rapid economic growth. Her studies of emerging markets in Russia, Croatia and India have taught her how important intercultural communication is to the work of global business.

During her first independent study, for example, she worked with business students in Moscow on the feasibility of opening a U.S.-style restaurant there, one that would pair food with activities such as video games. She thought it would be easy to connect with those students, as she's from the region and speaks Russian, but she quickly realized that communication relies on more than just language. "It was eye-opening," she says. "My expectations and theirs were very different. We were saying we wanted to get the same thing done, but there was a huge gap in communication. Even a culture I think is familiar can have a lot of differences."

Lesson learned. Last summer, Astakhishvili interned for hospitality company Wyndham Worldwide. Her team explored the possibility of expanding into Croatia, as most of that country's economic growth is tied to tourism. She brought the idea back to campus and worked through her adviser's contacts in Slovenia to establish contacts in Croatia, which allowed her to practice the skills she learned in her first study while developing a proposal for Wyndham.

"I've learned that relationship building, practicing intercultural communication and developing empathy for others are important aspects of working in the global marketplace," she says. And she plans to do just that. Upon graduation, she'll be moving to Austin, Texas, to take a position at IBM as a digital marketing strategist. — Paula Myers

Legacies

Gifts & Giving

Curing What Ails Us

The Human Health Initiative allows Bucknell students and faculty to team up with medical professionals for research opportunities — and for the greater good.

By Christina Masciere Wallace

Two years ago, central Pennsylvania families seeking diagnoses of autism spectrum disorders faced a yearlong wait to see a pediatric specialist at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville. That's an eternity to worried parents, and a loss of precious treatment time for their children.

"When you have a child and you sense something is amiss, it's terrifying and upsetting and confusing," says Gary Sojka, Bucknell president emeritus. "You have to live this to understand it fully."

Today the waitlist is down to zero, thanks to the Geisinger-Bucknell

Autism & Developmental Medicine Center in Lewisburg. Sojka and his wife, Sandy, whose late son had developmental disabilities, are donors who serve on the advisory board of the center, where undergraduates work alongside medical professionals in the diagnosis and treatment of patients.

"We're not shy about the fact that this is to be part of an internationally prominent program," he says. "That Bucknell can be involved in something with that kind of impact and reach is pretty exciting."

The center is one of many collaborative projects between Bucknell and Geisinger Health System, the University's primary partner in the Human Health Initiative (HHI), one of the six strategic priorities of WE DO, The Campaign for Bucknell University. The initiative includes faculty and undergraduate research in an array of health care-related fields, often performed in conjunction with outside medical experts who work together toward health-care solutions for the wider world.

"Providing everyone access to quality health care has emerged as one of our most urgent national issues," says President John Bravman. "To our knowledge, no other undergraduate institution has partnered with a major medical center in this way. We're offering students opportunities to engage deeply, and from many perspectives."

Bucknell's strong undergraduate research program offered a glimpse of



Professor Dave Rovnyak, chemistry, and graduate student Matt Miele analyze samples of human serum.

the potential of expanded health-care research. Funded largely through endowed gifts, it has long provided students with the opportunity to perform research, publish papers with faculty and present at conferences in numerous academic areas. The HHI creates even more opportunities for undergraduate research through strategic partnerships.

The Bucknell-Geisinger collaboration is a natural one, says David Ledbetter, executive vice president and chief scientific officer at Geisinger. "We're geographically close, we're two outstanding institutions with different but complementary missions, and we are both committed to community service and benefits. Finding ways we can help each other's mission to serve the community makes great sense."

Many projects stem from the Bucknell-Geisinger Research Initiative (BGRI), also housed under the HHI umbrella. Established in 2012, BGRI provides funding to Bucknell professors and Geisinger faculty for collaborations designed to advance health-care research, improve the quality of human health and ultimately lead to external funding.

Professor Dave Rovnyak, chemistry, and Geisinger researcher Brian Irving, for example, won BGRI funding to perform nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) analysis of human serum in a process known as metabolomic profiling. Rovnyak and his students use Bucknell's powerful NMR instrument to study deactivated samples of serum, which is essentially what's left of blood after platelets have settled. They're looking for amino acids or sugars present in different stages of diabetes, with the goal of earlier disease prediction. "The more we can directly work with human samples, the better chance we have of solving medical problems," says Rovnyak.

Matthew Bailey, the Howard I. Scott Professor of Management, teamed with Geisinger systems engineer Priyantha

Devapriya in a BGRI study to examine the flow of patients in the hospital and identify ways to improve efficiency using existing resources. "Recent changes in medical coverage increased the demand on hospitals. The easy solution would be to buy more beds. Instead, we analyzed patterns and ran simulations of different patient caseload scenarios," Bailey explains. With this data, the duo helped administrators make strategic decisions about resource allocation. They also analyzed surgery sequencing in operating rooms to improve patient care and efficiency.

Other faculty members study different types of data. Professor Brian King, computer science engineering, focuses on bioinformatics, which blends biology and computer science. Through BGRI, he was able to spend a sabbatical doing research with Gerard Tromp, a genomics informatician at Geisinger. They worked to develop tools and algorithms that improve software systems that analyze and manage DNA sequencing. These systems help researchers identify variants in human DNA that are related to disease, enabling earlier treatment.

"One of the things I enjoy most is the synergy created from working with people who have different skills and expertise," King says. "There's no one person who can solve disease. It takes a number of people working together — a statistician, a computer scientist, medical experts — to achieve greater solutions to these problems."

Bucknell hopes that students involved now will become those professionals who make a difference. "Our best measure of success is our alumni," says Professor Dan Cavanagh, who holds the William C. and Gertrude B. Emmitt Memorial Chair in Biomedical Engineering. "They attend the best graduate schools and go on to careers in industry, medicine, law, business and science. At Bucknell, student outcomes are always the top priority, but if we can improve health care at the same time, everyone wins."

The Birth of a Partnership

The Bucknell-Geisinger connection started on a small scale in 2006–07 with the launch of the biomedical engineering Senior Design Project program. In this capstone experience, students work with Geisinger physicians to design medical device prototypes that solve real-world challenges. Senior design projects have since produced about 30 devices, including the recently patented LifeFlight Adenocard, an effort brought to fruition by Dan Johnson, director of Bucknell's mechanical engineering lab. The Adenocard is a novel syringe that delivers two sequential injections to patients in cardiac arrest. Other inventions include a surgical simulation device that allows residents to practice their skills and a tool that measures bone density.

To encourage more collaborative experiences with career impact for students, **Joseph Ciffolillo '61** has funded the Healthcare Technology Inventors Program, which has an additional goal of generating future income for Bucknell through shared ownership of technologies.

A New Home

Bucknell's commitment to the HHI is evidenced by plans for its next academic building, which will be an interdisciplinary home for the study of human health and wellness. Known as Academic East, it will mirror Academic West and complete the new quad adjacent to Bertrand Library. The facility will provide 65,000 square feet of space for classrooms, labs, design studios and offices that support the College of Engineering, as well as other disciplines related to improving human health.

The Mind and the Muse

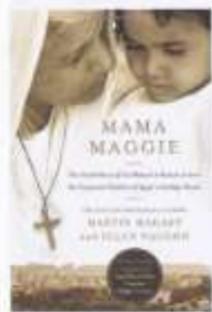
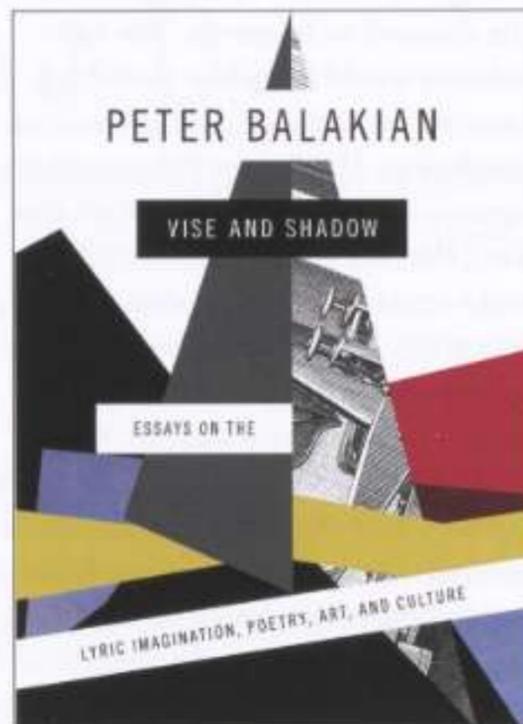
Reviews & Criticism

BOOKS

Peter Balakian '73

Vise and Shadow: Essays on the Lyric Imagination, Poetry, Art, and Culture (University of Chicago Press)

Calling on thinkers and poets from W.B. Yeats to Joan Didion, Hart Crane to Theodore Roethke, Primo Levi to Bob Dylan, Peter Balakian demands an audience for the treachery of the 20th century. From Auschwitz to Armenia to America, his new collection of essays focuses on the power and revelation of lyric invention: vise and shadow. "Poetry as aesthetic imagination shadows history, shadows human experience, casts its own kind of illumination, often un-romantic, sober, and shadow-like in its truths," he writes. "Imagination as shadow captures the aftermath of history, and when its shadow-light expands as a shadow expands on the ground in late day, the light lessens but the insight deepens."



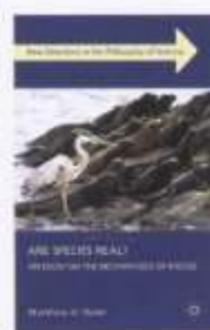
Marty Makary '93
Mama Maggie: The Untold Story of One Woman's Mission to Love the Forgotten Children of Egypt's Garbage Slums (Nelson Books)

Nag Hammadi is a city in northeastern Egypt, best known as the place where the Gnostic Gospels were discovered in Coptic jars in 1945. It's also a place where eight Coptic Christians were shot to death in 2010. It is a place of contradiction — home to Muslims and Christians, to the poor and affluent, to opposition and supplication. It also is home to Maggie Gobran, who grew up rich and dedicated her life to those

who didn't. Marty Makary, a physician and professor at Johns Hopkins, tells the story of the 2012 Nobel Peace Prize Nominee in his new book, the authorized biography of "Mama Maggie." Gobran inspires and Makary delivers.

Matthew Slater

Are Species Real? An Essay on the Metaphysics of Species (Palgrave Macmillan)



For those of us without a background in the philosophy of science, we take at face value the biological classification we learned in high school: kingdom, phylum, class, order,

family, genus, species. We know because Carl Linnaeus told us so. But among philosophers of biology, such as Bucknell Professor Matthew Slater, there has long been a debate about the reality of species. In his new book, Slater lays out the tenets for the realism and antirealism of species and explores arguments for both. In answering his own question about the realism of species, he says yes ... and no. He suggests that species not be classified by ontology alone but also as individuals and sets, properties and processes. Darwin's original tree of life isn't necessarily wrong — it's just more "intricate and complex in its reticulated branching than anyone imagined."

Thaddeus Miller '03

Reconstructing Sustainability Science: Knowledge and Action for a Sustainable Future (Routledge)



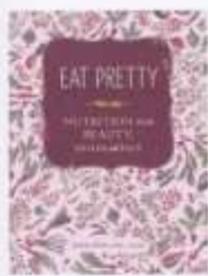
Thaddeus Miller, an associate professor at the Nohad A. Toulan School of Urban Studies & Planning and a faculty fellow at the Institute for Sustainable Solutions

at Portland State University, represents a new generation of scholars and planners who are changing the way society and culture interact with nature and the environment. His first book seeks to answer the question, "How can science and technology most effectively inform and foster social action for sustainability?" Building on earlier conservation efforts and the study of science, technology and society, Miller provides a sound methodology for

researching, creating and implementing sustainability practices. For those entering the sustainability field and dealing with thorny socio-economic-political issues, this book is a must.

Jolene Hart '03

Eat Pretty: Nutrition for Beauty, Inside and Out (Chronicle Books)



Eat Pretty is a beautiful book that reveals many of the ugly truths plaguing the American diet. The good news is that health coach **Jolene**

Hart gets into the nitty-gritty of what's good for us and what isn't. Spoiler alert: wine, coffee and meat aficionados will not be happy with her advice; but fruit, veggie and fish fans will love the affirmation and delicious recipes. She says, "The beauty guidelines in *Eat Pretty* are designed to make all of us glow from the inside out."

Sydney Johnson Dunlap '91

Jeremy Norbeck: Animal Whiz Kid (Carlin Pond Press)



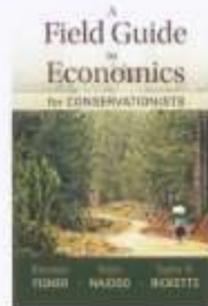
"Not many fifth graders can tell you how far a skunk sprays its stench or what kind of shrimp makes a noise like a firecracker, but **Jeremy Norbeck** could answer both

of those questions and explain why armadillos sometimes jump straight up in the air." He's a future Jeff Corwin, but with the tween ladies? Not so good. A children's TV animal show redeems his nerd reputation. If only we could all be saved by knowing how long a cockroach can live without its head. Then, get the girl by saving a puppy from a coyote.

Brendan Fisher '98

A Field Guide to Economics for Conservationists (Roberts and Co. Publishers)

"Let's start with pizza." Who doesn't



love that? Robin eats it. Brendan can't. That's called "rival." If Taylor can't buy a slice, that's "excludable." "These kind of goods, both 'rival' and 'excludable,'" **Brendan Fisher**

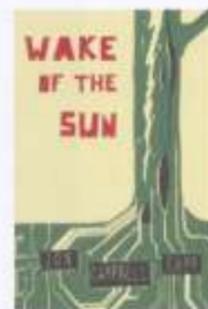
writes, "are called private goods."

The nature of goods is just one of many concepts Fisher explains in his new book for conservationists, who may or may not fear economics. Bottom line: the sooner anyone who has the heebie-jeebies about economics can clear that hurdle, the better off we are for the economy and our ecosystem. Fisher's approach is both ethical and hysterical.

Jon Campbell-Copp '10

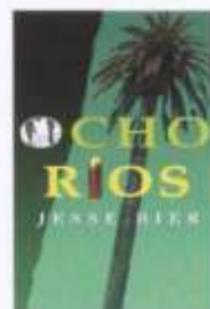
Wake of the Sun (Birch Island)

Jon Campbell-Copp majored in civil & environmental engineering at Bucknell, where he also began to



write a novel his junior year. Even as he got a master's in carbon management at the University of Edinburgh and went to work in Scotland's energy sector, he never

stopped working on that novel, which was recently published. And as first novels go, it's an impressive page-turner. The story opens with the 24-year-old Meredith Simon, who disappeared 16 years ago after her father, Patrick Simon, a developer of clean energy, was accused of committing murder and mayhem across two continents. Both of Meredith's parents are assumed dead, and the reader learns about their lives in a series of deftly told flashbacks. *Wake of the Sun* is a riveting tale of greed, power, loss and redemption.



Jesse Bier '49

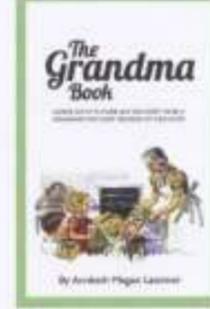
Ocho Rios (Milletowne Press)

"Gasoline is big right now. Cigarettes. Small arms. Things like that." Welcome

to 1960s Jamaica, where we meet Sal Bianco and his lover, Maureen. They're just passing through on their way to disappear in Switzerland with the million dollars Sal has stolen from the godfather, but the trip is not exactly going as planned. They intend to launder the money and procure passports and visas, but spend all of their energy escaping assassins at every turn. This is the fifth novel for Bier, a retired English professor who received a Purple Heart in WWII. The narrative, fueled by tight dialogue, moves quickly but also ponders the big questions of faith and god.

Annbeth Magee Lattimer P'15

The Grandma Book: Notes to My Future Self on How to Be a Grandma without Driving My Kids Nuts (CreateSpace)



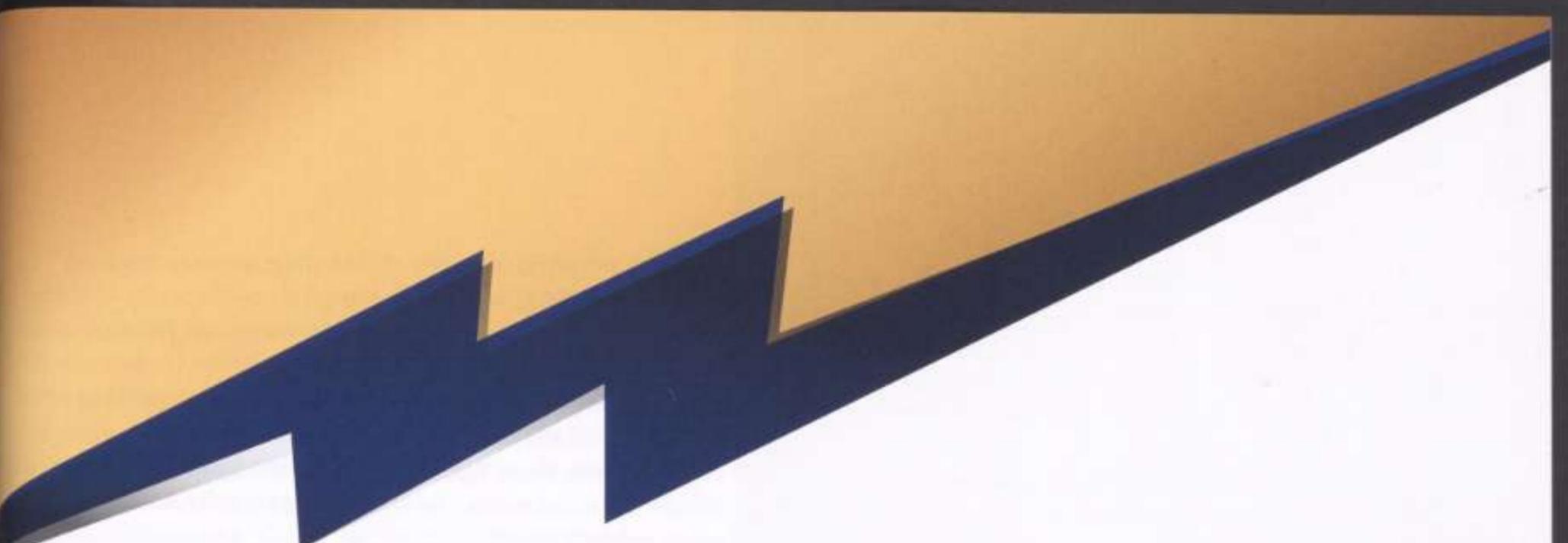
Annbeth Magee Lattimer is not yet a granny — her daughter **Megan Lattimer '15** graduates this spring — but she is already planning for the future. And that future is a

busy one. Lattimer reminds herself and other Boomers to remain vital and interesting, focus on moving forward and not be held back by bearing grudges, and allow love to be a two-way street. The book began as a conversation among friends, including **Allison Abouchar Cross '84**, the book's editor.

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Justin Schwartz '04 led the way for the interactive wand at The Wizarding World of Harry Potter – Diagon Alley at Universal Orlando Resort.



the WONDERFUL WORLD of Wizardry

Justin Schwartz '04, one of the engineers behind The Wizarding World of Harry Potter at Universal Orlando Resort, says the magic is in the details.

Once during his college days, while happily ensconced in his room reading, Justin Schwartz '04 was so caught up in a book that he lost all sense of time and completely missed his geography class. He was mortified. "That just wasn't like me at all," says Schwartz. "I never missed a class without a good reason."

The book to blame was *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban* by J.K. Rowling. His obsession with Harry Potter may have caused him some chagrin that day in 2002, but it served him well a few years later when he was working as a ride engineer in Orlando, Fla. Schwartz had been hired by Universal Orlando Resort, which had just received the contract from Warner Brothers to create The Wizarding World of Harry Potter, and that early fascination put him at the top of his class — with the best young wizards from Gryffindor, Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw and Slytherin — as he was the only team member

who had read the Harry Potter series. (These days, knowledge of the books and movies is a must for any Universal employee working on a Potter-related ride or concession.)

Schwartz is in an elite group — there are fewer than 100 ride/show engineers in the world who do the kind of work that he does — and his creativity does not disappoint. When he first arrived on the Universal stage in 2006, he was assigned to help develop the Hollywood Rip Ride Rockit, a roller coaster that delivers a multimedia experience while approaching the legal speed limit in most states at 65 m.p.h. Each car holds six people, and each bucket seat is equipped with speakers that only the rider can hear. Before the ride begins, passengers choose from a selection of 30 different songs — ranging from Limp Bizkit's "Rollin'" to Kanye West's "Stronger" — to provide the music for their ride. In addition, each guest is filmed during the ride, and by the time riders disembark the

By Gigi Marino • Photography by Robert Landry



The scary dragon perched upon Gringotts Bank breathes real fire and intimidates from 40 feet.

Rockit, a video with the their chosen song as a soundtrack is available for editing and downloading.

Despite the technological changes of the last six years, the coaster still is relevant. It still rocks it.

According to Schwartz, "The ride's non-inverted loop is the first of its kind and employs maneuvers that are unique to this day. The Music Plaza, lighting and audio all incorporate a different piece of media," he says. "You get your very own music video."

Schwartz has been at Universal for nearly 11 years, and by his own admission, he most likely will be there until the end of his working days. It's a seemingly rare move these days by a Millennial — depending on which study you read about his age cohort, Millennials are staying in their jobs two to five years, experiencing as many as 15 to 20 career changes.

With his 1950s sense of company loyalty and his 21st-century vision of technological possibility, Schwartz is, at the very least, an interesting anachronism. He's a man who's trusting enough to follow his childhood dream of making roller coasters and other amazing things, but also savvy enough to understand that to remain at the top of his professional world, he must always be pushing the boundaries of knowledge, imagination and engineering.

Case in point: Bringing the two unique areas of The Wizarding World of Harry Potter and the Hogwarts Express to life in the non-magical, three-dimensional world we Muggles inhabit is nothing short of magic itself.

Universal's newest theme-park area, The Wizarding World of Harry Potter—Diagon Alley, opened last summer, and is Schwartz' latest project. It must be more real than the movie set, which is based on a brilliant invention that does not have to obey the laws of physics, motion, gravity or time. If you think about it too long, you could very well end up having a philosophical debate with yourself on exactly what reality means here. Call it the

"Potter Paradox."

But there is no artifice in recreating this artifice. The process requires the mastery of engineering; a thorough understanding of and adherence to safety codes; knowledge of set, light and sound design; a sense of razzle-dazzle; and an obsessive attention to detail.

The dragon atop Gringotts Bank spews real fire that can be felt 40 feet below, and the goblin tellers are freakily realistic. Then, there are the interactive magic wands. With a certain flick of the wrist at certain places in Diagon Alley and in the original Wizarding World of Harry Potter—Hogsmeade in Universal's Islands of Adventure, the owner of a wand can make things happen — a fountain flows, puppets dance, a lantern lights.

WIZARD IN TRAINING

"We knew from the start that we wanted to make the wands interactive," says Schwartz. "Our creative team wanted to make it feel like a real wand. It was always a part of our plan to make the magic real, but the technology wasn't there in 2011. When our creative teams come up with a concept, we don't say no but figure out how to say yes. Originally, the wands were my responsibility, but I had to pass the project off to focus on other things."

One of those other things was designing, building and launching the Hogwarts Express, for which Schwartz was the lead engineer.

To arrive at the train's boarding platform, you pass through a brick wall just as Harry, Ron and Hermione did in King's Cross Station. Of course it's an optical illusion, but it's remarkable nonetheless. Standing on Platform 9¾, complete with a stack of travel trunks and Hedwig the owl in a cage, Schwartz explains the challenges of bringing the beloved and iconic train into being. "Not only did we have to be true to J.K. Rowling's vision and the movies, but we also had to take things into consideration that the movies did not," he says, "How to get our guests — some of them children in strollers or people in wheelchairs — on and off the train, and how to do it safely."

Schwartz says that the engineering team considered no detail too trivial. Part of the design process involved riding the actual steam train the Hogwarts Express was based on and replicating its measurements down to the exact millimeter. "I can't even tell you how many hours we spent discussing what kind of bolts to use," says Schwartz.

From the timbre of the train's whistle to the fluffy smoke from its stack to the rusted rails to the intricate bricked walls of King's Cross Station, everything about the train feels authentic. Years of paying attention to detail went into making the fantastical tangible. Even the travel posters that line the train station corridors, Schwartz points out with pride, are not of London but of Orlando.

Schwartz has ridden the Hogwarts Express, which connects Universal's two theme parks, hundreds, maybe thousands of times. He's used to the journey. But when riding the train with first-timers, his eyes gleam. True to Harry Potter's experience, each car holds eight people. The fabric for the seats, purchased in the U.K., is the same fabric used in the movies. The wood is a fine mahogany. And the ride moves just as you would expect a steam train to move. The windows are computerized screens, but you barely notice that as you watch the Gaelic-green countryside slide by, the spires of Hogwarts castle shimmer in the distance and Hagrid putters along on his magical motorcycle. Through the frosted glass car door, you see and hear the deadly Dementors in the aisleway, their very touch against the glass chilling. When you ride the train back from Hogsmeade, Hagrid waves goodbye at the station, and you see the Knight Bus weaving through the London streets as you return to the city. Here, anything seems possible.

Schwartz' mentor and friend, Engineering Professor Steve Shooter, says, "You can't help but get excited and interested

THE STORY OF JUSTIN SCHWARTZ '04 is a happy one, and it's populated with a long list of Bucknell characters, including Jason Rubinstein '04. Schwartz and Rubinstein met early in their sophomore year when they both pledged Phi Kappa Psi. The meeting, they say, was kismet.

"Right off the bat, we discovered we had a lot in common," says Rubinstein. "We were both from Bergen County and did all the same things kids from New Jersey did — skiing in the Poconos, going to the shore in the summer, making day trips to Manhattan. We also both were mechanical engineers and had a common interest in theme parks."

Though they shared a strong affection for the Garden State, Rubinstein spent his formative years in Florida, where his family moved when he was six. "The first night we met, Justin talked about his lifelong dream of being a ride engineer," says Rubinstein. "I think he was a little bit jealous of my growing up in Orlando."

Rubinstein was a seasonal employee at Universal Orlando for a few summers in high school and after his first year at Bucknell. In summer 2001, he worked at the *Men in Black* ride in the mornings and as a waiter during the evenings. One of his customers was a Universal vice president of engineering, Mike Hightower, who encouraged the Bucknell student to apply for an internship, but the summer passed, and Rubinstein got busy.

When he first met Schwartz, Rubinstein told him that story about the Universal V.P. who made a kind offer to a waiter, and Schwartz lit up, encouraging Rubinstein to contact Hightower again. The summer after his sophomore year, Rubinstein became one of the first college students in the country to participate in Universal's brand-new internship program.

Enter Engineering Professor Steve Shooter, who was psyched to hear of Rubinstein's success with Universal. Shooter spearheads the College of Engineering's Senior Design project and, knowing a good thing when he saw it, wanted to maximize a relationship with Universal. Rubinstein was the conduit, and Shooter began a yearlong conversation with Universal. When it came time for Rubinstein and Schwartz to do their Senior Design project, both worked with the theme park.

Shooter says, "Justin really wanted to create an opportunity with Universal, so he worked incredibly hard to satisfy them. He organized the team and managed many of the meetings."

The first Bucknell-Universal Senior Design team can lay claim to engineering one of King Kong's

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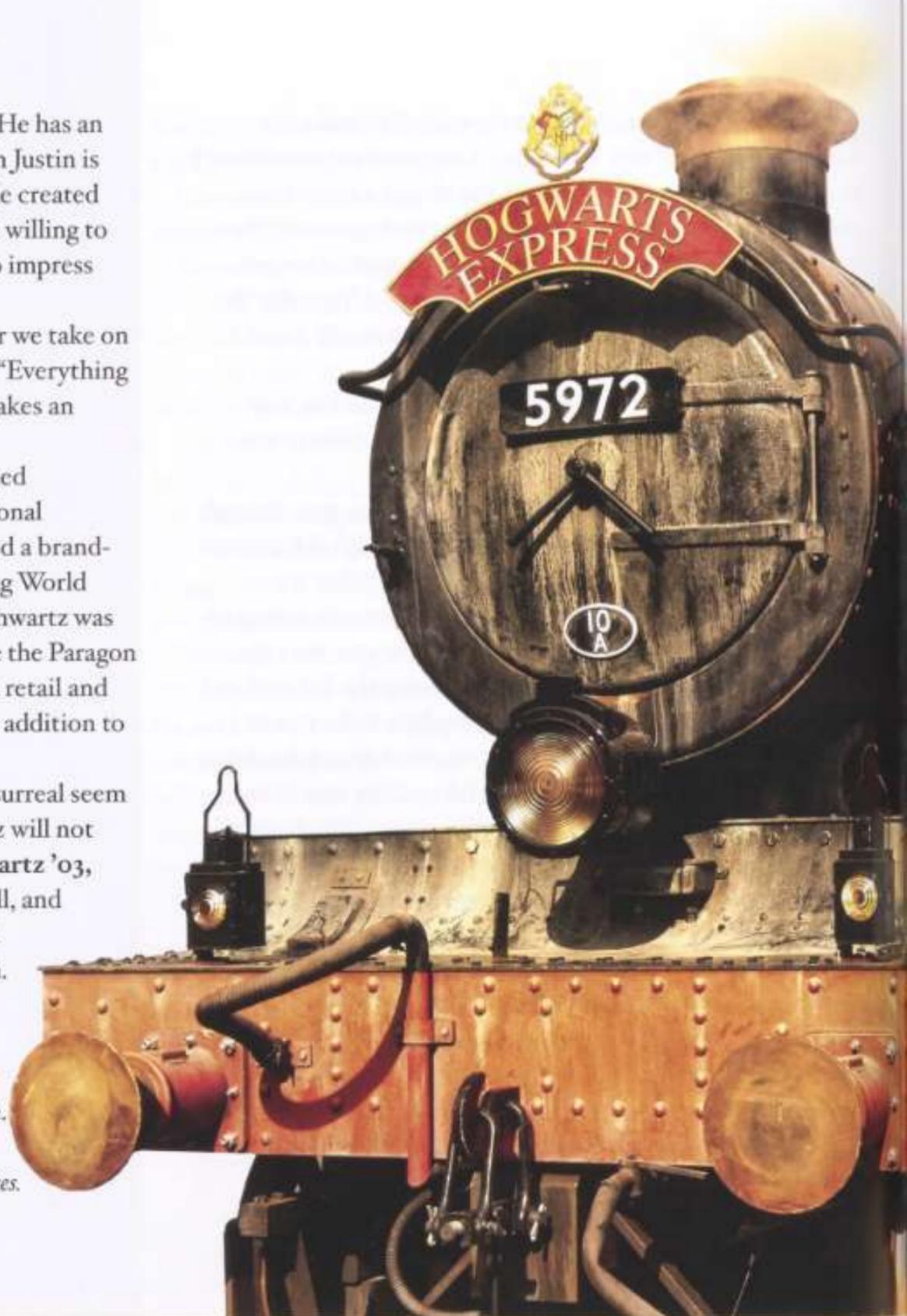
about what Justin is doing when you talk to him. He has an incredible energy. What I have learned most from Justin is how to be tireless in pursuit of your dream job. He created that opportunity at Universal for himself. He was willing to do whatever it took to get it. And he continues to impress people every day.”

“I’m always working on big projects. Whenever we take on a new task, it’s definitely special,” says Schwartz. “Everything we do is groundbreaking. Whenever Universal makes an announcement, make sure you listen.”

And people are impressed. Recently, the Themed Entertainment Association, the premier professional organization for Schwartz and his cohorts, created a brand-new award specifically to celebrate The Wizarding World of Harry Potter—Diagon Alley. In late March, Schwartz was among a handful of Universal luminaries to receive the Paragon Award that “recognizes the entire land, integrated retail and food and beverage, and the Hogwarts Express, in addition to the wand technology.”

The magic lies in all the details that make the surreal seem so real. Yet there is one more detail that Schwartz will not mention, though his wife, **Rachel Laskow Schwartz '03**, will. It’s a small plaque riveted to the train car wall, and it bears the names of the engineers who designed the Hogwarts Express. “Schwartz” is one of them. This is the only deviation from the movie set, and yet, it also is magical. **B**

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From MechE to Mickey

Holly Hodges '10 grew up in southern California, less than 20 miles south of Anaheim, home to Walt Disney’s original version of the American theme park. Like **Justin Schwartz '04**, Hodges was enchanted by fantastical worlds at a young age. The realms and kingdoms created within the Disney perimeter captivated her imagination, and she always knew that she wanted to have a hand in making the magic happen.

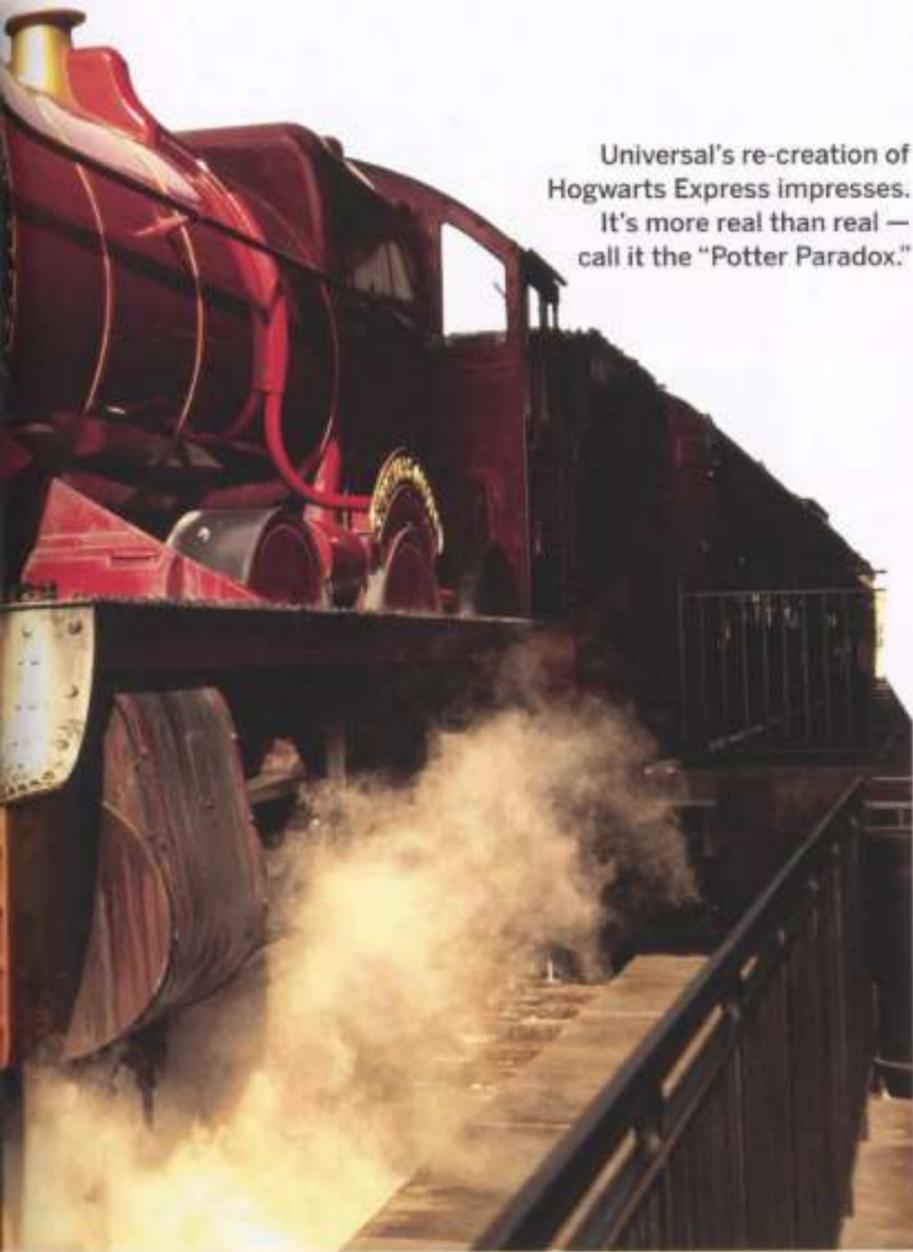
During her first year at Bucknell, Hodges took Engineering 100, a class that introduces majors to a wide swath of engineering options. “One professor from the mechanical engineering department showed examples of Senior Design projects,” she says. “The one that stuck with me was with Universal Studios.

“They wanted a teaching aide to get middle-school students interested in engineering. The seniors created

a mini-monorail system that ‘crashed’ into a building and then had to reset within 30 seconds to be ready for the next go-around. This got me hooked. It was the first time I realized that a potential career path for mechanical engineers was theme park and roller coaster design. It all came together, and right there I knew that mechanical engineering was for me.”

When it came time for Hodges to pursue an internship, she consulted Bucknell’s Career Development Center, which put her in contact with Schwartz. She contacted him, applied for a summer internship and won a coveted spot on the Universal Creative team for the summer.

“I was beyond excited, as they were in the process of final testing on the latest roller coaster to open at Universal,” she says. “We were finishing our 1,000-plus safety tests that have to be signed off before guests are



Universal's re-creation of Hogwarts Express impresses. It's more real than real — call it the "Potter Paradox."

allowed on the attraction. It was hard work and extremely long hours, but I was able to learn just as much."

For the past five years, Hodges has been an engineering member of Walt Disney Imagineering. "I owe it all to Justin," she says. "He believed in me and gave me invaluable advice to be 'politely persistent.' The internship he orchestrated enabled me to land my dream job working in the amusement industry. Justin is incredibly driven, passionate and hard-working. He sets the perfect example of someone who actively goes after their goals and dreams and turns them into reality. Our lives continue to cross paths in the professional world, and I am incredibly proud of the work he continues to create for Universal and the name he gives Bucknell alumni around the world." — G.M.

fingers for one of the park's original attractions, Kongfrontation, by developing something called a pneumatic bladder, which compresses air allowing the finger to move. For Schwartz, working with Universal was the natural next step after the project, but Shooter points out that his hire was not a given.

"Justin wanted to work for Universal, and he was willing to work hard and sacrifice to do it," says Shooter. "Obviously, Justin has strong technical skills. But where he really excels is in his organization, leadership and communication abilities. He knows how to manage a team to get the best from everyone. He pushes hard — but with a smile."

That smile was enough to get him noticed by **Rachel Laskow '03**. Rubinstein had worked at *The Bucknellian* with Laskow and thought she would make a good date-night partner for Schwartz at a fraternity event. His instincts were spot on — just as they had been when he talked to Schwartz about Universal Orlando.

All these years later, when Schwartz is asked about his favorite Bucknell experiences, he says, "I met my wife through Bucknell. I met my best friend at Bucknell. I met a lifelong mentor and eventual friend at Bucknell. I got my job at Bucknell. There are so many good experiences that I cannot choose just one."

After college, Rubinstein joined the Navy as a submarine officer. While he served as a catalyst to his best friend's ambition, he freely admits, "I did not have the same passion as Justin. I can't overstate enough how enjoyable the Universal internship was, but I had already committed to the Navy.

"My wife, **Melinda [Kummer Rubinstein] '05**, and I often joke that seeing Justin at Universal is like seeing what a parallel life would look like had I not gone into the Navy," says Rubinstein. "Sometimes, it makes me envious, but it's jealousy in the most affectionate way. Justin has soared to the top of his profession. He has a bunch of patents in his name. I don't know why that life sounds sexy, but it does."

The Jason Rubinstein–Justin Schwartz–Steve Shooter collaboration with Bucknell and Universal continues to deliver. Says former intern and current Senior Design engineer **Christine Sorrentino '15**, "I've been interested in entertainment technology and animatronics since Steve Shooter introduced me to the field my sophomore year at Bucknell. Working with Universal, both as an intern and for my Senior Design project, has been a wonderful opportunity to delve into the field and see what I enjoy working on as well as what I need to learn. Understanding what is required when designing for an industrial client has been, and will continue to be useful in my future work." — G.M.

THE COOL COURSE CATALOG

Every course at Bucknell is designed to help students think in new and nuanced ways. Professors challenge students to tackle difficult problems, to find unexpected ways to understand the world around them and to re-evaluate the ways they live their lives.

And every year, a handful of courses offers particularly novel viewpoints on the world. They link pop culture and great literature, connect campus-bound students with swashbuckling worldwide adventures and address today's most pressing technological problems with time-tested principles. They're the courses that make us wish, if only for a moment, that we could be students again.

We talked to professors who teach eight of these audit-worthy courses to discover the compelling details that bring these classes to life.

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» What a Hack

COURSE: Computer and Network Security

TAUGHT BY: Professor L. Felipe Perrone,

computer science

There's hardly a moment in our lives these days when we're not benefiting from — or exposed to the failings of — computer and network security. Whether we're punching in passwords on our smartphones, swiping credit cards at stores or reading the latest celebrity dirt released to the world by a hacker, we all rely on robust security systems to keep our most confidential information safe.

In Felipe Perrone's course, students learn how to protect computer systems, in part by studying how to break into them. In one section of the course, teams of students get their own computers to maintain, equipped with an easily hackable "plain vanilla" Linux installation. They learn to use security audit tools to assess the vulnerabilities of their machines and identify any holes that need to be patched.

Then they turn over their hard work to a sinister force: another team in the class that is charged with hacking the system. Their classmates exploit any weaknesses they find in the system to reveal its contents. "The point is not really to learn to hack," explains Perrone. "The point is to learn to cope with a hostile environment."

That hostile environment is anything but theoretical. The much-publicized 2013 Target breach cost the retailer more than \$148 million; the more recent Sony hack has had real geopolitical consequences.

But even as students learn to execute some of the most common hacks — forging emails, for example, and creating "buffer overflows" that can make systems misbehave — Perrone nudges them to use their newfound skills in beneficial, rather than harmful ways. "There's something called 'white hat' hacking in which people are hired to hack organizations that want their systems to be investigated for vulnerabilities," he says.

Ultimately, Perrone wants to teach students to analyze the strengths of all kinds of security systems — whether they're protecting data, money or homes. "I want students to understand the safety, the likelihood of failure and the risk of misuse for any system around them," he says. ✦



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» Here Be Monsters

COURSE: Zombies of Capitalism **TAUGHT BY:** Professor Clare Sammells, *anthropology*

Zombie flicks often suffer a reputation for being as mindless as the monsters they portray. But in Clare Sammells' course, closer study reveals that the stories that propel these brain-gobbling baddies help illuminate society's greatest anxieties — as well as some of its most deeply held desires.

In Haitian folklore, for example, zombies are not brainless, cannibalistic monsters: They're people who've had their souls stolen, often by witches. The witches enslave these people, controlling their every move. But Haitian zombies don't eat people, and they're not dangerous to others. In a way, says Sammells, these zombies symbolize fears of slavery and lost humanity. "The scary part about these zombies is that you might become one, not that you might run into one," says Sammells.

Similarly, some zombies in contemporary American films tackle the deep anxieties that many have experienced in today's economy. "We live at a time when a lot of people are unemployed, and when there are increasing disparities between wealthy and poor. Zombie movies often address exactly those concerns," says Sammells. Anyone who's ever been doggedly chased by a debt collector or felt eaten alive by monthly mortgage payments can certainly relate.

But it isn't all bad. Zombie-based tales also can offer the hope of wiping the slate clean — an idea illustrated in the show *The Walking Dead*. A zombie apocalypse might be unpleasant, sure, but it also allows you to slough off everything that's tethered you to your current position in the world, whether it's untenable credit card bills or all the mistakes that have burdened you in your life. "There's an element of starting over," says Sammells. "You won't have your student loan debt, and you can move into the best house on the block — as long as you clear it of the undead. You can re-create yourself." ✦

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» Sunken Treasures

COURSE: Ancient Ships and Seafaring

TAUGHT BY: Professor Kris Trego,

classics & ancient Mediterranean studies

Archaeologists are always trying to find better ways to peer into the past to understand cultures that preceded ours. For underwater archaeologist Kris Trego, there are few ways to do this more fascinating than exploring millennia-old shipwrecks.

The thrill of the search is undeniable. Explorers dive hundreds of feet beneath the ocean's surface to explore ancient shipwrecks, and their discoveries can be breathtaking. "Some ships are almost like time capsules," Trego explains. "Pottery can be completely intact and may still have its contents. It's possible to find sprigs of herbs and fish netting." Years ago, researchers even discovered an analog computer that predicted astronomical patterns, known as the Antikythera mechanism, in an ancient shipwreck off a Greek island.

For Trego, who studies ancient Greek and Roman societies, these shipwrecks offer a fuller picture of a world that we often see only through the keyhole provided by written works of the literate elite. Ship discoveries, meanwhile, can help scientists understand the details of daily life (what sailors ate, for example) or ancient technologies (such as how ships were constructed).

As students explore these new worlds, they quickly see that they must connect archaeology to countless other disciplines. They learn from the oceanographers who chart where ships lie, the chemists who analyze metals found at excavation sites and the lawyers who decipher the rule of law in international waters. "This is a truly interdisciplinary field," says Trego. "We need historians and classicists and experts in scientific analysis of material remains to ask and answer the questions brought up by a single ship. I hope it teaches students to think about the ways we all must think beyond our own disciplines." ✦



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» How the World Changes in an Instant

COURSE: When Rocks Attack

TAUGHT BY: Professor Andy Fornadel, *geology*

Many of the changes our planet has undergone seem pretty slow-paced when compared to human-scale events. It can take millions of years for a mountain to form or for a river to carve out a canyon, for example.

But natural disasters can transform the Earth — and the lives of its inhabitants — as quickly as a lightning strike. Lava flows from active volcanoes can wipe out towns and earthquakes can decimate entire regions. A meteor impact has the potential to blot out entire species.

Andy Fornadel's course doesn't just focus on the science that explains such events. It also examines the human impact of these dramatic transformations. Often, he says, he has to start by correcting common misperceptions about natural disasters fostered by movies and television. "People often think of tsunamis as a beach wave — like the one you might see a surfer on — but scaled up a couple hundred feet," he says. "It actually looks like a very rapid rise in sea level that can last for 12 to 18 hours."

While the duration of natural disasters might be relatively short, the consequences reverberate for much longer. A tsunami that hits a coastal village floods out buildings and demolishes infrastructure. "On less protected islands, all that water can remove areas of the beach completely," says Fornadel. "After a tsunami hits, there literally might be nothing left — not even land to build a hotel on."

The course also examines how poorer areas often get hit harder by natural disasters than do more affluent areas. The major earthquake that hit Haiti in 2010, for example, was incredibly destructive because it struck an impoverished area where buildings had not been designed to withstand a major quake. The area has since struggled to recover, because the government and local residents have fewer resources with which to rebuild. "I really want students to think outside their own bubble," says Fornadel. "I want them to deeply understand the societal effect that these events have." ♦

» When Television and Literature Unite

COURSE: Literature of Downton Abbey

TAUGHT BY: Professor Erica Delsandro, *women's and gender studies*

For even the most dedicated English student, reading early 20th-century British novels can feel like exploring exceptionally unfamiliar territory. Novels such as Rebecca West's *Return of the Soldier* and Evelyn Waugh's *Brideshead Revisited* feature vast estates, clear upper and domestic classes and the complicated politics of World War I, which can make the very human stories they tell seem more distant than they actually are.

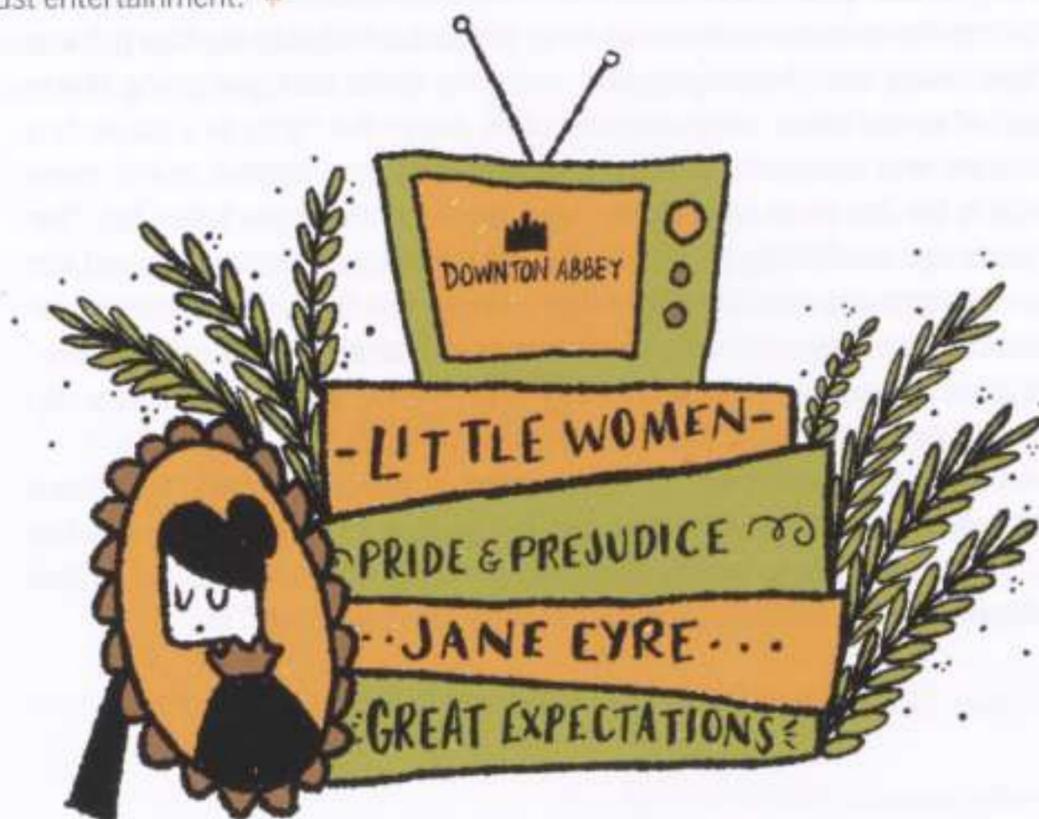
But Erica Delsandro found a way to breathe new life into these stories for her students: showing clips of *Downton Abbey*. "Students typically don't have a detailed image in their mind of this period, so the show gives them an atmosphere and some reference points for imagining the characters and their interactions in novels, particularly when it comes to social class," she says.

For example, students often assume that the upper class was always very conservative and that the domestic class was quite progressive — but *Downton* showcases the fact that there often was far more fluidity in political attitudes. Servants could be just as, if not more conservative than the upstairs family. When students see those attitudes play out on screen, they can more readily relate them to the novels they're reading.

The class also reads Jean Rhys' *Voyage in the Dark*, a novel about a woman who goes to London with dreams of becoming a chorus girl, but ultimately finds herself living as a prostitute and getting pregnant. "I think that novel would have been just a picture of a specific character for the students, except we were able to connect it to a plotline in *Downton* in which a maid becomes pregnant and is forced out (because her pregnancy tarnished the estate's reputation) and must work as a prostitute to keep her baby."

And while the focus of the class is on literature, Delsandro says she was surprised by the way students became more critical consumers of the television they were watching. "It wasn't just that they were thinking more about *Downton Abbey*, but about any media that represented past eras," she says. "It became more than just entertainment." ✦

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» The Cost of a Game

COURSE: Sports Economics

TAUGHT BY: Professor Greg Krohn, *economics*

Talk to any professional athlete about winning teams and losing teams, and you'll probably hear platitudes about taking things one game at a time and the power of team chemistry. But study the numbers, and you'll discover a story that centers on cold, hard cash.

It turns out that simple economic models can help explain much of a team's behavior, from the players an owner signs to the team's success on the field, says Greg Krohn. Because teams in larger cities can tap into a larger group of affluent television viewers and stadium visitors than their small-market counterparts can, they'll always have the incentive to spend more on the talented players who lead winning teams. That incentive structure can create a competitive imbalance that helps explain why some of the perennial big-market winners, like the New York Yankees, continue to dominate, while small-market teams, like the Minnesota Twins, struggle on.

In the course, the students examine an array of policies that leagues have put into place to figuratively level the playing field, including drafts that give losing teams the first pick of young talent, reserve clauses that assign the rights to a player to a particular team and revenue-sharing agreements that give smaller teams more financial clout. For the most part, Krohn says, these policies have fallen flat. "For example, years ago, the Pittsburgh Pirates and the then-Florida Marlins received lots of revenue-sharing money, but they kept their payrolls low. It's rational behavior for profit-maximizing team owners — the owners were just pocketing that extra money." More promising approaches, says Krohn, combine revenue sharing with salary-cap and salary-floor policies that require teams to spend within certain constraints.

Krohn says that some students are disappointed to see their passion for a team reduced to dollars and cents, but others love the nuance an economic perspective provides. "I invite students to look at professional sports in a new way, and to look at the evidence," he says. "I hope they consider these ideas seriously." †

Engineering Child's Play

COURSE: Fundamentals of Biomedical Signals and Systems

TAUGHT BY: Professor Joe Tranquillo,

biomedical & electrical engineering

When you press your finger to the "q" on a keyboard and the letter appears on your computer screen, you've experienced the way a very simple mechanical signal (the pressure of your finger on a key) gets sent through a system and creates a new output (specific pixels on a screen).

To study signals and systems in the classroom, professors have long relied on theoretical, and often brutally difficult, mathematics. But Joe Tranquillo wants his students to have more than just an intellectual understanding of these concepts. He wants students to put these ideas into action by building real products that could have a meaningful impact on the world.

This past fall, Tranquillo used a signals-and-systems framework to have his students design and create children's games and toys. Students formed three-person teams to develop hardware, software and sensors for real products.

One team developed a remote-control car driven not with a joystick, but with a glove that tracked users' finger movements. It wasn't simply a new way to think about toys, says Tranquillo. "Something like this could be used for physical therapy for kids who need to develop more dexterity in their hands," he says. "They get to see real feedback, live, as they drive a car around."

Indeed, some students have gotten so excited about their projects that they're taking them beyond the classroom. One group developed a game that they may ultimately launch via a Kickstarter crowdfunding campaign.

But the real benefit is to the students themselves, who have performed significantly better on Tranquillo's tests than peers who didn't develop a project, and who are ready for the next steps in both the classroom and their careers. "Unlike most courses, this isn't about studying a topic, doing the homework and taking a test," says Tranquillo. "This shows them that there's not one specific path to success. They have to figure out what they're going to make and what they're going to learn." ✦

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» Binge is the New Black

COURSE: Cognitive Control

TAUGHT BY: Professor Agnes Jasinska, *psychology*

If you've ever hit the snooze button after promising yourself you'd get up the moment your alarm went off, checked Facebook instead of dealing with a knotty problem at work or binge-watched *House of Cards* late into the night despite the regrets you knew you'd feel the next day, you've wrestled with the problem of cognitive control.

It's this concept that Agnes Jasinska and her students study closely, through both academic reading and observation of their own experiences. "This class stimulates students' curiosity about how we accomplish cognitive control and how it works in the brain. But I also want them to pair that with a scientist's mindset, which means critical thinking, rigorous use of the scientific method and careful weighing of arguments and evidence on both sides," explains Jasinska.

It turns out that tamping down our worst impulses, or persevering when the going gets tough, is about much more than simply "trying harder." Cognitive control stems from complex brain processes, and like any other brain process, it is undermined by stress, anxiety, fatigue or lack of sleep. That said, many scientists believe we can improve our cognitive control simply by using it in daily life, just as we can strengthen our muscles by going to the gym — as well as through changing our environment (placing that alarm clock across the room) and paying close attention to what makes us slip up in the first place (that pesky Netflix feature that plays the next episode of a show without us touching a button).

Cognitive control is a relatively new area of study for psychologists and neuroscientists, and the research is far from settled. That's why Jasinska requires her students to read and think deeply about research and compare its findings to their own cognitive control experiences, which they record in a journal. They may see nuances that are ripe for future research and recognize that science is far more than just a collection of facts. "I hope students learn that science is a work in progress," she says, "and that critical thinking and novel, creative ideas are essential to advancing our knowledge." ⓑ

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HISTORIAN *at* HEART

BY ALEXANDER GELFAND
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Not many academic historians can boast of having been interviewed by Jon Stewart on *The Daily Show*, but David Nasaw '67 can. He appeared before millions of TV viewers to discuss his latest book, *The Patriarch*, a biography of Joseph P. Kennedy — and in the process publicly debunked the notion that Kennedy made his fortune as a Prohibition-era bootlegger. But Nasaw, who is the Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr. Professor of History at the CUNY Graduate Center and president of the Society of American Historians, is no ordinary academic.

Nasaw enrolled in the graduate program in history at Columbia University just in time to help shut the university down during the student protests of 1968, then took a year off to teach at an alternative high school in an abandoned dry cleaning shop on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, where the curriculum ranged from Marxism to macramé. (To raise funds for the school, Nasaw edited his first book, *Starting Your Own High School*, the contents of which were written entirely by his students.) After completing his Ph.D., he taught history at a community college on Staten Island before eventually moving to CUNY, where he has served as director of the Center for the Humanities and helped establish the Leon Levy Center for Biography.

Long fascinated by the history of American media and entertainment and the relationship between business, culture and politics, Nasaw has also authored best-selling biographies of three of the most influential figures in 19th- and 20th-century America: media magnate William Randolph Hearst; capitalist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie; and Kennedy, the businessman-turned-diplomat who sired the nation's greatest political dynasty. The popularity of those books has made Nasaw a prominent public intellectual, with frequent appearances on radio and television. But it's clear he remains a historian at heart.

What drew you to history?

DN: I went to Bucknell assuming I would follow my father and go into law. But I met two extraordinary history professors — Richard Drinnon and John Kirkland — and boom! I was off and running.

When I went to Columbia for my Ph.D., I originally intended to study European intellectual history. But I realized that in order to really do that well, I had to be able to read French and understand French culture. That meant living in France for a couple of years, and I wasn't ready to do that.

My first job was at the College of Staten Island. I was astounded by the growth of two-year schools like the one I was teaching at, and I was trying to figure out how the hell it had happened. Why had the United States created this new institution? Why not simply create more four-year schools? That led to my first book in U.S. history, *Schooled to Order*.

My next book, *Children of the City*, came about because I went to a photo exhibit at the New-York Historical Society and saw all of these newsboys captured in photographs from 1890 through 1910. I noticed that all of those newsboys, who were supposed

to be homeless, bedraggled waifs, had good shoes. For a historian, photographs are as important as any other kind of evidence, and I knew enough to know that if they were homeless waifs, they wouldn't have good shoes on their feet! I discovered that they were not homeless waifs, but working-class kids — the children of Jewish and Italian immigrants — kids who went out every afternoon and sold newspapers.

So *Children of the City* was born of serendipity?

DN: There was a serendipitous encounter with those photographs. But I'm a child of the '60s, and my generation of historians attempted to do history from the bottom up: Instead of just looking at powerful white men, we tried to give voice to those who had been left out of the story. I wanted to show that these working-class immigrant children also contributed to the making of history, and I wanted to give them agency — to show that they were actors, not simply acted upon. Unbeknownst to me, it became one of the first books in a new history of children.

Both *Children of the City* and your next book, *Going Out*, explored the cultural and social environments that shaped the way Americans of a particular era understood the world. It's almost like a kind of anthropology, isn't it?

DN: I took a lot of anthropology and sociology at Bucknell and Columbia, and it informed those books.

Too often, history is taught looking for similarities. When we teach elementary-school students, we say, "Oh, in the colonial era, they played with dolls. We play with dolls, too." But what's more important than those similarities are the differences.

In doing *Children of the City*, I became fascinated by the efflorescence of a new type of public institution in the United States between the 1890s and World War I. All of a sudden, out of nowhere, amusement parks, nickelodeons, vaudeville houses — all of these institutions were created where immigrants and working people intermingled with the middle class. They became a real melting pot and a place of Americanization where immigrants learned American manners. But it worked only because African-Americans were excluded from all of these places; the immigrants were taught early on that in order to become American, you had to become white. That became the subject of *Going Out*.

Your biographies also explore the many factors that influenced your subjects' behavior, from their family backgrounds to the social and cultural settings in which they operated.

DN: I'm always trying to provide a historical context, and I'm very conscious of the ways in which history makes the person.

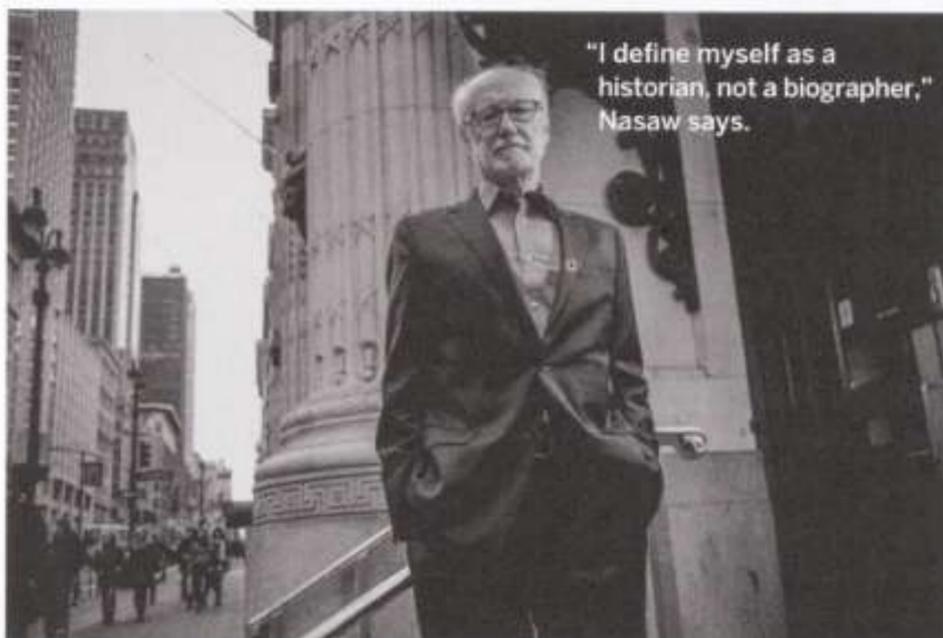
We are born and raised in a specific time and place. It's a cliché, but the past is a foreign country. In order to understand why people do what they do, one has to get as close as possible to understanding that time and that place.

Joseph Kennedy, for example, was very much a product not simply of Boston, but of East Boston. Hearst was the first bicoastal American. Carnegie was even more fascinating, because he lived his life on both sides of the Atlantic — he was a Yankee Doodle Scotsman.

"All of a sudden, institutions were created where immigrants and working people intermingled with the middle class."

What initially led you to biography?

DN: When I finished *Going Out*, it was right around the time that Ross Perot was running for the presidency. Perot had personality and a populist platform and all the money in the world, and I wanted to explore the intersection of politics and culture, of electoral politics and the media. And I was going to do that by looking at William Randolph Hearst.



I had no intention of writing a biography. I wanted to write about what happens when one of the richest men in the country, who owns the largest media empire in the country, decides he wants to be president. But the more I learned about Hearst, the more I understood that if I wrote about him, I could write about the 20th century's major industry: the media. If the 19th century was the age of railroads and electricity, and the 21st century is the age of the computer, then the 20th century was the age of media. They had an impact on politics and on the economy that was second to none.

I also enjoyed that in writing history through biography, I could reach a larger audience. I never wanted to write simply for other professors; from the very beginning, I tried my best to write books that would say something to students, say

something to scholars and say something to a larger audience that's interested in ideas and history and politics.

It's hard not to draw connections between the historical themes that appear in your biographies and the issues we face today in America: the interpenetration of media and politics, the limits of private philanthropy, the perils of unrestrained capitalism. Do you want your readers to make those connections?

DN: Absolutely. I define myself as a historian, not a biographer. What does that mean? I tell the story. I'm not a judge or a prosecutor who sits in judgment of these people. I tell the story. And when I tell the story well, it brings up questions, and it forces people, I hope, to look at contemporary life, to look at the past and to ask questions. For a historian, a biography is not simply about a person — there are larger themes. In *The Chief*, I wrote about the making of the American media; in *Carnegie*, about immigration and the Industrial Revolution.

You've written for the popular press and made numerous media appearances. Is that an important part of your scholarly activity — bringing historical insight to a broader public?

DN: I try! I have a very steep lecture fee, so I can do lots of appearances for no fee at all: I'll speak at a library opening in upstate New York, at a community college or a junior high school. I think the task of the historian is to talk to people who don't have Ph.D.s without dumbing down what you have to say. **B**

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PAGE-TURNERS

David Nasaw's books are about much more than specific historical figures or moments; they are biographies of entire eras.

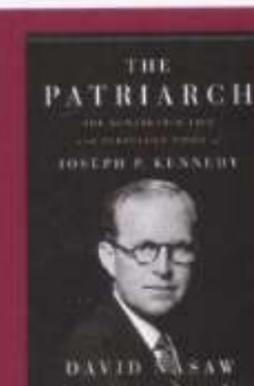
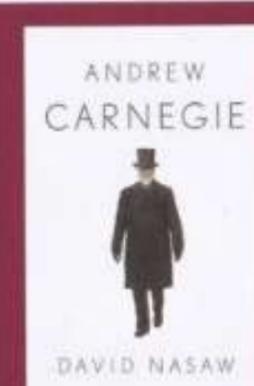
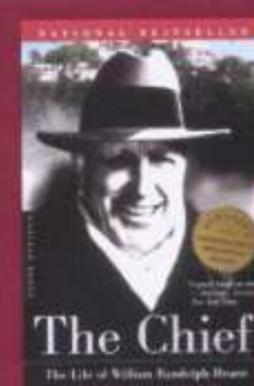
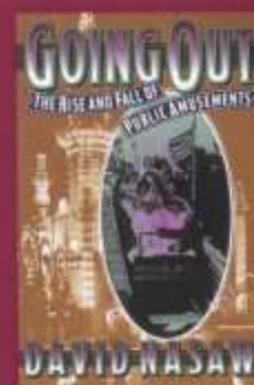
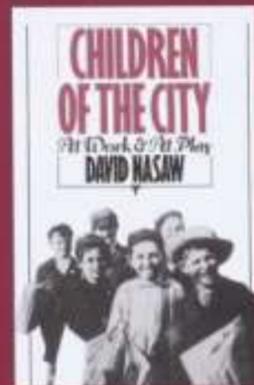
Children of the City: At Work & At Play introduces readers to a previously neglected community in late 19th- and early 20th-century America — a community of working-class street kids with its own culture and mores, embedded in but distinct from the world of adults, that arose alongside the modern American city and its accompanying urban entertainments. Nasaw argues that those kids, many of whom themselves went into the entertainment industry, influenced American cultural life for generations. His account of the newsboy strike of 1899 — a strike that brought newspaper publishers Joseph Pulitzer and William Randolph Hearst to their knees — inspired both the Disney film *Newsies* and the Broadway show of the same name.

Going Out: The Rise and Fall of Public Amusements sheds further light on the manifold entertainment venues — vaudeville halls and ballparks, midways and movie theaters — that sprang up during the same era. Made possible by electrification, fueled by the rise of white-collar workers with money to spend and made accessible thanks to newly minted public transportation systems, these venues gave working- and middle-class Americans the opportunity to mingle regardless of ethnicity, gender or religion — with one glaring exception: They were closed to blacks.

The Chief: The Life of William Randolph Hearst paints a vivid portrait of the man who built the first modern media empire (newspapers and newsreels, magazines and movies) and used it to advance his own political ambitions, including a failed attempt to capture the presidency. Diving deep into Hearst's personal background and the politics of his day, Nasaw explains how his subject could oppose both Communism and the New Deal, yet still see himself as the tribune of working-class Americans; oppose American military intervention in Europe, yet support it everywhere else; and manage to hire both Mussolini and Hitler as foreign correspondents for his papers.

Drawing on previously unavailable sources, *Andrew Carnegie* charts the steel magnate's path from poor Scottish immigrant to fabulously wealthy capitalist, pioneering philanthropist and advocate for world peace. Along the way, Nasaw investigates 19th-century Scottish immigration to America and the crony capitalism that allowed Carnegie and his fellow robber barons to line their pockets during the Gilded Age. He also elucidates the philosophical rationale that permitted Carnegie to reconcile his progressive public pronouncements on labor-management relations with the brutal treatment afforded his own workers.

In *The Patriarch: The Remarkable Life and Turbulent Times of Joseph P. Kennedy*, Nasaw accords the founder of the Kennedy clan the kind of careful scrutiny usually reserved for his famous progeny, meticulously sifting Kennedy's formative personal influences and the prevailing attitudes of his day to explain (and in some cases explode) his reputation as a womanizing, bootlegging, Nazi-appeasing anti-Semite. "Every biography is at one and the same time the portrait of an individual and the portrait of an era," Nasaw writes in the introduction. Just so: *The Patriarch* peels back the layers of one man's extraordinarily rich life and mines it for insights into a large chunk of American history. — A.G.







Full Frame

Spring Shower

After a brutal winter, a gentle flurry of cherry blossoms is a welcome sort of snowfall.

Photography by Timothy Sofranko

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Alumni House

Opportunities & Events

Smart Shoppers

Alumni can purchase their Bucknell gear straight from the source — for less.

By Maureen Harmon

It's not only students who bustle in and out of the campus bookstore loaded down with bags — the bookstore sees plenty of alumni in the checkout line when graduates come home for a visit or Reunion.

While they're not in the market for textbooks these days, alumni are often on the hunt for Bucknell gear to represent their alma mater in the wider world. Now those shopping for the perfect Bucknell T or cap can save a little money while they're at it.

Barnes & Noble at Bucknell University offers monthly discounts in-store and online through its loyalty program, and the Bucknell University Alumni Association board has partnered with the store to get the word out. "It's a great way for alumni to get their Bucknell gear, without ever leaving home," says Alumni Association President **Melissa Campbell Plaisance '82**. An added bonus: every time shoppers make a purchase — with a coupon or without — a portion of the payment is filtered back to Bucknell's general operating budget. So alumni and friends are helping the University every time they shop.

With all of that in mind, we took the liberty of doing a little scouting for the alumni out there, knowing that what they're after these days may not be what they were seeking as undergrads.

1. **The Bucknell Vineyard Vines Silk Tie.** Perfect for that post-graduation job interview. Or, if you've already landed the job, a great way to represent the alma mater at the office.

2. **Bucknell Legacy Hat.** For the athletes among us. Choose your sport — hats spirit everything from lacrosse to football to swimming. Not an athlete, but love the look? "Bucknell University Alumni" is also an option.

3. **Bucknell Cufflinks.** Simple and sweet. An understated shout-out to your favorite school.

4. **Dexter the Bear.** Has one of your Bucknell friends recently had a baby? Send an early recruitment gift for the Class of 2036.

5. **Elgrande Coffee Mug.** We know it's unlikely that you just pulled an all-nighter, but that doesn't mean coffee isn't a necessity in the morning.



To sign up for the alumni discount program, visit bucknell.edu/BookstoreDiscount. Then shop away at bucknell.bncollege.com.

What We Do With Words

By Katherine Ward '66

Every year of my childhood, my family and I drove past the Bucknell University campus on the way from our home in Delaware to a summer cottage in northern Pennsylvania. I dreamed of attending Bucknell and was excited to unpack my bags in Larison Hall in fall 1962.

Another dream was to teach. Professors such as C. Willard Smith, Jack Wheatcroft '49, Elizabeth Taylor McLaughlin and Karl Patten gave me a keener appreciation of the beauty, complexity, subtlety and meaning of the English language and of literature, its proud manifestation. During the '70s and '80s, when I was director of enrichment programs in public schools in Minnesota, and when I created the curriculum and taught writing classes and humanities seminars for gifted and talented students, I was glad to have had rigorous training from my Bucknell professors, those wise word warriors. It was exciting to see my students embrace

the opportunities and challenges they craved when treated not just as school kids in a classroom, but as writers on real-world projects.

Every day, as a freelance writer, writing coach and editor, I apply the legacy of my Bucknell liberal arts education to my work on articles, newsletters and books on topics including history, government, language, religion and women's roles. I have guided writers of memoirs, scholarly work, historical fiction and other genres, and have received many state and national awards for editing.

Because of Bucknell, I was asked to edit a remarkable love story. *Flivverin' With You*, featured in the Winter 2014 issue of *Bucknell Magazine*, is an extraordinary collection of courtship letters from the 1920s, written by Ken Slifer '26 and Caryl Dutton '27 and curated by their daughter, Diane Slifer Scott '54. My Bucknell love story, which includes my husband, Jim Smigie '65, and our sons Michael Smigie '92 and



Katherine Ward '66

Steven Smigie '95, has been writing itself for more than 50 years.

Katherine Ward, co-author/editor of Delaware Women Remembered and A Legacy From Delaware Women, has been executive director of the Delaware Press Association since 1994 and has served on the board and committees of the National Federation of Press Women. Last September, she received the NFPW President's Award for special service. The award has gone to luminaries such as White House reporter Sarah McClendon, Freedom Forum founder Allen Neubarth, Equal Rights Amendment champion Betty Ford and USA Today founding editor Nancy Woodbull.

If you have a WE DO story to share, please submit it to bmagazine@bucknell.edu.

ALUMNI ENTREPRENEUR: ALEX NOWLIN '14

Imagine Bucknell as a single image and what comes to mind? Is it the spire of Rooke Chapel, Bertrand's bell tower or perhaps a spectacular sunset over the quad?

Uescape Apparel, the clothing company co-founded last year by Alex Nowlin '14, aims to evoke the pride alumni feel for their schools through images of iconic campus buildings silhouetted against a sky of cascading school colors.

Uescape began in Nowlin's sophomore year at Bucknell, when as a Management 101 CEO he helped sell a T-shirt with a Bucknell skyline. One year later, an updated version of that shirt became Uescape's first product.

Uescape now produces apparel for 25 colleges and high schools, a number Nowlin and his sister, graphic designer

Emily Nowlin '16, hope to increase to 100 in 2015. The company has gained approval from the clearinghouses that control licensing rights to the majority of U.S. colleges and universities.

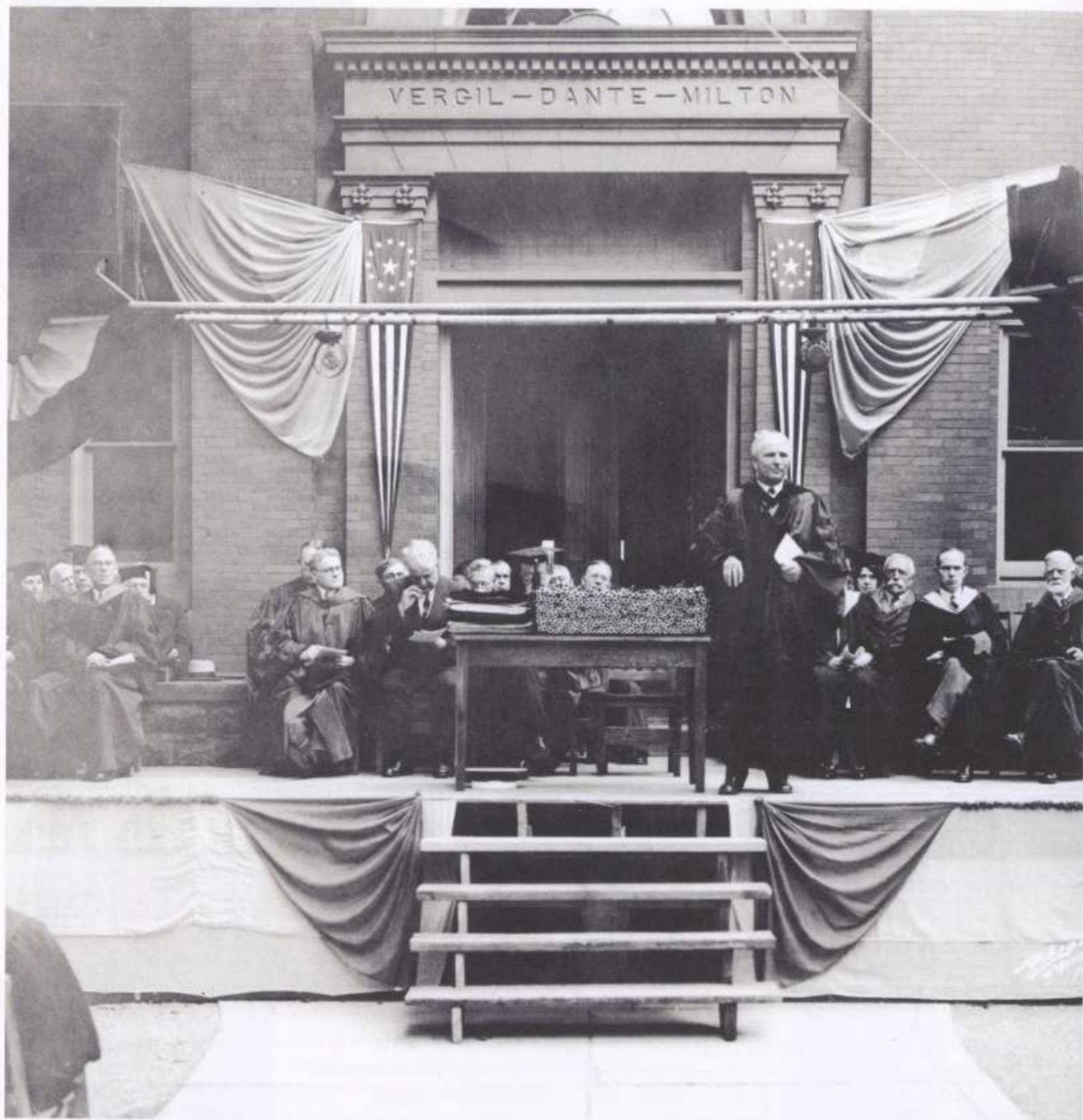
While giants dominate the crowded university apparel market, Nowlin says Uescape's designs have an intimate, custom feel. "We wanted to create something that would instantly be recognized by students and alumni, but that was truly different from what other companies were doing," he says. — Matt Hughes



Alex Nowlin '14

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](https://www.facebook.com/BucknellU) no later than June 1 will win a Bucknell T-shirt. See the winners of the Winter issue's caption contest on p.71.

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This is a report that someone else should probably write, since it covers the celebration of my 99th birthday, Feb. 2, which puts me into my 100th year! We celebrated the event with all the family who are living in the area and, needless to say, it was a happy occasion!

A seemingly never-ending series of events started at Penn's Table, my daily breakfast spot. I was greeted by not only a contingent of family, but by the entire wait staff who all showed up, even if they weren't on duty. All my meals are to be free from here on, which is a happy thing!

From there I went to the YMCA, where all my friends and the staff got together in a private room. The final touch was an

interview and photography session with the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, which took almost six hours. It was in the paper on Feb. 9! I think I will keep my 100th birthday a secret, although I must admit, it was a lot of fun!

I'm also happy to say my great-grandson will enter Bucknell this fall and will be the fourth generation to attend, which I think brings the total to 11 family members. — C.I.V.

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I wish everyone a happy new year and I look forward to hearing from you for the next issue. — S.M.G.

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Hello '48ers. I hope you are well and enjoying life. I look forward to your letters and phone calls.

Homecoming was great. We beat Lafayette College 27-24 — that was enjoyable! One place you must visit when you go back is the Campus Theatre on Market Street. It is completely refurbished and everything is new. We saw *Cabin in the Sky*. It was fun remembering how it used to be and seeing how beautiful it is now, so many years later.

Several Christmas cards from fellow '48ers came:

Arax Aroosian Balakian enjoys her new home in Fort Lee, N.J.

Lorraine Pertsch Corbin loves her new residence in Chattanooga, Tenn., near to her family.

Florence "Kandy" Kreidler Davis still remembers her "nostalgia" trip last October to her old homesteads in New Jersey, Long Island, Connecticut and Cape Cod, Mass.

Judy Shank Dawson was able to join **Jeff '79** and yours truly for another luncheon in January, and we shall meet again in the spring. We talked over living in a fraternity house and eating in Larison Hall — do you remember?

Dorothy Gotterer Horwitz sent holiday greetings. She and I are hoping some day we can meet and talk the day away.

Helen Hayden Nelson wrote a long note about her family, enclosed a photo and sent holiday greetings to you all. She can't easily make our lunch get-togethers as she still bowls, quilts and is active in a women's club. Wow!

Jeff and I are hoping to get up to a Bucknell versus Boston University basketball game at the end of February. I'll let you know if the weather holds out for the trip. My daughter **Jill Brown Waters '82** and family will try to make the trip too.

I miss you when you don't communicate with me. Email me! The address is still at the beginning of my notes! Happy, healthy 2015 from your classmate of the great year 1948. Go Bison! — J.G.B.

1949

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I got a Christmas letter from **Walt P'86** and **Donna Spencer Johnson P'86**, who live in a small village in New Hampshire. They were not able to take their usual trip to Florida in 2014 and will not be going this year. They both are doing quite well but have some health problems (don't we all) that will keep them from traveling. Her letter was upbeat. I have not heard from any other of my Bucknell friends.

I am doing okay but have sleep apnea and a problem with acid reflux. I have a cat

that really keeps me on my toes. My big event in 2014 was a two-day stay (Oct. 25-26) at the Lake Lure Inn in North Carolina for my grandson's lovely wedding. My son, Doug, came down from Philadelphia and we drove out there, a two-hour trip. The weather was gorgeous and the wedding was outside. It was a lovely weekend. — C.M.D.

1950

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Dorothy Fairchild Wolford remembers when a real live Bucky Bison was accompanied to home football games by **William Watkinson '45**. In the late 1940s Bill and his wife rented a room at the Fairchild family's 14-room farmhouse south of Milton, Pa. Also in residence at Abe Fairchild's farm was one bison living happily among a herd of dairy cattle. Details are fuzzy, but intrepid Bill and friends had a lot of fun escorting Bucky south on Route 147, across the Lewisburg Bridge, through town and onto the football field, where their grand entrance was greeted with enthusiastic cheers and great gusto.

Snow was falling in Central Pennsylvania on a cold day in January when I talked with **Lester Murray**. For the first time

in 20 years, he and Jacqueline were spending the winter months at their home in Montoursville, Pa. They are the parents of a daughter, Wendy, and two sons, Mark and **Matthew '82**. And they have six grandchildren. The Murrays traveled the world during Lester's employment at Koppers Co. Nowadays he looks forward to golfing as often as possible.

After being employed for more than 25 years in golf ball sales at Titleist, **Richard Jolly** decided to retire and spend more time on the greens. He still plays regularly and lives life to the fullest in Columbus, Ohio, where he and his wife, Hope, make their home. Proud parents of one son and one daughter, they have three amazing grandchildren. Dick-

IN MEMORIAM: SEYMOUR "SY" BERGER '44, P'70, P'72

Seymour "Sy" Berger '44, P'70, P'72, Topps executive and the creator of the modern baseball card, died Dec. 14, 2014, at his home in Rockville Centre, N.Y.

Berger's love of baseball began at a young age. Born in New York City in 1923 to immigrants from the Russian/Polish border, as a child he collected Goudey baseball cards and attended games at both Yankee Stadium and the Polo Grounds (though, as his daughter **Maxine Berger Bienstock '72** recalled in an interview with *Sports Collectors Digest*, his favorite player was Wally Berger of the Boston Braves).

After graduating at the top of his class from DeWitt Clinton High School in the Bronx, Berger went on to Bucknell, where he was the manager of the basketball team, sports editor of *The Bucknellian* and a member of Sigma Alpha Mu and Concern and Action. It was through his fraternity that Berger met **Joel Shorin '43**, whose grandfather had founded the American Leaf Tobacco Company, which in 1938 branched into chewing gum distribution and was renamed Topps.

Berger served three years in the Army Air Forces during WWII before returning to Bucknell to graduate in 1946. After a short stint temping for B. Altman, a New York department store, in 1947 he was offered a temp job at Topps by Shorin to work on a sales project, marketing cards with pictures of popular characters such as Hopalong Cassidy and the Lone Ranger that were packaged with gum. When his contract expired Berger was asked to stay, and he set to work developing the modern baseball card.

Baseball cards date to the late 19th century, but were in the 1940s small, often black-and-white affairs that Berger felt missed an opportunity to captivate the imaginations of young, baseball loving children. Under his guidance, Topps introduced its first series of baseball cards in 1951, packaged with taffy because it was believed a competitor had exclusive rights to market baseball cards with gum. Topps switched to gum the following year because taffy picked up the flavor of varnish used on the cards.

"We came out in 1952 with a card in color, beautiful color, and a card that was large," Berger told the Society for American Baseball Research in 2004. "For the first time, we had a team logo. We had the 1951 line statistics and their lifetime statistics. No one else did it."

That 1952 series, which also featured a facsimile signature below the player's image, became the prototype for all that followed.

As vice president for sports and licensing, Berger aggressively sought exclusive rights to player images, offering players annual payments of \$125 to sign exclusive deals with Topps. His hustle paid off; in 1956, Topps absorbed its chief competitor, Bowman, to become the undisputed giant of the baseball card market.

Berger continued to steer Topps' trading card empire as the Baby Boomers grew up and exploded the market for cards, a trend that peaked in the late 1980s and early '90s, and as later competitors popped up to capitalize on the market Topps created. Baseball's players shared in Topps' success following a 1968 revenue-sharing agreement with the players' union. Berger also expanded his company's scope through deals with the NHL, NFL and NBA. He retired as a vice president in 1997, but was retained by Topps as a consultant.

In 2004, Topps honored him with a card of his own in its "All Time Fan Favorites" series.

He is survived by his wife; three children, including Maxine Bienstock and **Glen Berger '70**; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. — *Matt Hughes*



enjoys leisurely walks with Cathy, the family basset hound. He has returned to campus a number of times since our graduation 65 years ago.

Our long-time friend **Alfred Borelli '49** was a gifted pianist blessed with other unique talents that he explored throughout his lifetime. A writer, teacher, filmmaker, cartoonist and clockmaker, he served in the Navy during WWII and was a loyal Bucknellian. He often commented that his years at Bucknell were among the happiest years of his life. A member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, he was art editor of *Squirrel*, sang with the Men's Glee Club and Mixed Chorus and was active in Radio Workshop. We were greatly saddened to learn that Al passed away at his Westport, Mass., home on Nov. 15, 2014. — P.W.

Note: Alfred's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.

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Janice Bergmann Pedalino writes that she enjoys reading Class Notes to keep up with the endeavors of her classmates. In June 2013 she moved from her home in Maplewood, N.J., where she had lived for 47 years, to a garden apartment in Basking Ridge, N.J. She lives near one of her daughters and her two granddaughters and enjoys being part of their lives. Although it was quite an adjustment from a house to

an apartment, at least there is less maintenance.

Last summer Janice and her sister **Barbara Bergmann Pahren '57** took a trip to New England that included a visit with her Bucknell roommate, **Corinne White Warner**, in Dorset, Vt. She said Corinne lives in a unique home designed like a horse barn, which is filled with outsider and primitive art as well as some contemporary art and many interesting objects. In each room there is something to do with horses. They got to see the documentary *The Longest Game*, which features Corinne's husband, Maurie, as one of the main characters. The movie was shown at many festivals this year and won top prizes at several. It was shown on TV, possibly on the History channel. Unfortunately, Maurie passed away shortly after the film was completed.

Janice sends her best wishes to all of her classmates. It was good to hear from you, Janice. Enjoy your new abode and thanks for writing. — C.K.E.

1953

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I was sorry to read in the last issue of *Bucknell Magazine* of the death of **Jim Whitney**. Jim and his wife, **Nancy Carter Whitney**, spent much of their lives in Arizona. After he graduated from law school in Buffalo, N.Y., a trip to visit Jim's dad's ranch in Arizona convinced them that sunshine was better than snow. Jim, who loved to read history and historical fiction, was a lawyer and a golfer. He played the trombone, enjoyed travel and was a master gardener. Nancy, their three sons and five grandchildren survive him.

Bobbie Roemer Gibb remembers Jim: "Such a fun-loving and cheerful guy! I recall one weekend at Bucknell when

about six of us drove to visit Niagara Falls. We spent the night at Jim's parents' home and had a million laughs!"

Note: Jim's obituary appeared in the Winter issue of Bucknell Magazine.

Jack Waldron recalls that Jim was an enthusiastic SAE brother and a very clever fellow. Jack, who lives in West Chester, Pa., has kept in touch with nearby classmates **Don Dewees** and **Burt Talmage '55** and with **Ray Pettit** in Connecticut. He frequently sees **Jack Mosteller '57**, also of West Chester. Jack remembers the many enjoyable lunch gatherings they had with **Frank Kirby**. Frank, a great guy who died several years ago, is missed by all. Jack and his wife, **Anne Kite Waldron '55**, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in Hawaii last summer and visited family on the West Coast.

Speaking of Bucknell couples, romance still exists among Bucknellians. **Betty "Quickie" Quick Hill's** grandson **Tom Stoddard '11** is engaged to **Kaitlin Segal '11**. They met during Semester at Sea. Quickie loves the fact they never met on campus, but found each other while traveling around the world during their junior year! They both work in Sydney, Australia, and are planning a wedding in Hawaii in July. Quickie can't wait!

A little more about our classmate **John McFadden**, who died last year: **Frank Meredith** wrote that he and his wife, **Ann Lewis Meredith**, some years ago attended the commissioning of the *USS Winston S. Churchill* in Norfolk, Va., with John and his wife, Billie. John had been an avid member of the Churchill Society. At the commissioning they were able to meet Churchill's daughter and various members of the Churchill family, as well as Chris Matthews of TV fame. It was a memorable event.

Note: John's obituary appeared in the Fall 2014 issue of Bucknell Magazine.

Also, in the past I told you about John's amazing granddaughter Tatyanna McFadden,

the wheelchair athlete. She continues to break records. For a second consecutive year she won a sweep of the London, Boston, Chicago and NYC marathons. You may recall that she was adopted from a Russian orphanage by **Deborah McFadden '79**, John's daughter. Keep your eye on her. Tatyanna is a super athlete who will continue to astonish us.

Jane Brown Maas remembers for us: "As you know, Bucknell lost one of her most famous alumni when actor **Edward Herrmann '65** died. Ed graduated in 1965, but we saw each other frequently at Cap and Dagger reunions, and of course we were both friends and fans of Harvey and Betsy Powers. So Ed and I became friends. Then, in 1976, Ed appeared in the hit television movie *Eleanor and Franklin*, in the leading role of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Ed had a commanding presence, onstage and off. He was 6-foot-5 and, in all sorts of ways, he was larger than life. I will miss him."

Note: Ed's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section. For more about his life and career, see the tribute by Richard Humphrey in Last Word.

Some travel news: In October **Joan Lafferandre Diamandis** took a Road Scholar tour with a friend. They spent several days in Lisbon, Portugal, and environs, then flew to Madeira, Portugal, for a week's hiking tour. Laffie said it is a beautiful island and the wine wasn't bad either!

I was fortunate to join my daughter for a visit to London to see my granddaughter, who was working there on a four-month assignment. We enjoyed the Christmas season highlights of concerts and lights and went to the scenic village of Wivenhoe to visit other friends.

We still have snowbirds, some of whom I know. **Joan Jenkinson Beiter** and her husband, Jack, were in Ft. Myers; Harold and **Marge Boote Heine** in Palm Beach; and Laffie was in Vero Beach, Fla. Way on the other side in Hawaii, **Claire Vogelsong Pease** and

her husband, Ted, escaped from Anchorage's dark and cold during January, and **Walt and Izzy Beers McConnell** also enjoy the island life, except we know Walt stops off in Utah for some skiing on his way.

My low vision is becoming an issue. I can still deal with the computer, but I can hardly read your wonderful handwritten snail mail. Communications by phone (215-247-7441) and email are still fine. I would like to continue as class reporter, but I hope one of you will consider assisting me with the thought of eventually assuming the responsibility. The class deserves to have no break in communication. Help, please.

This issue of *Bucknell Magazine* may be published too late to let you know the date of the Philadelphia area luncheon. In case the date has not passed, here are the details: The luncheon will be Wednesday, April 22, in Wayne, Pa., at the Paramour restaurant in the Wayne Hotel. Men and women, including non-Bucknell spouses, are all welcome. If you can come, contact me. — C.H.K.

1954

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Dee Christopher McNair writes that campus is more beautiful than ever and the weather for our 60th Reunion was perfect. Highlights of the weekend were a 1954 class dinner on Friday night, the Reunion Rally in the Weis Center on Saturday, lunch by class in Gerhard Fieldhouse and a dinner with the Class of 1959 and other emeriti on Saturday night. On Friday night our dinner was preceded by a cocktail hour, followed by welcoming remarks by Dee, our Reunion chairperson, and an invocation by **Alice-Mae Buell Suits**. At the conclusion of our dinner, Michael "Mick" Smyer, provost of the University, spoke to us.

The dinner was completed with the singing of the alma mater led by **Nancy Martin Brubaker-Whitall**. On Saturday night the speaker was Susan Little Lantz, dean of students. After dinner, some of our more energetic class members danced in the big tent with other alumni.

Those in attendance for the weekend also included: **Tom Buzard, Bob Catherman, Dottie DiOrio, Ralph and Tozia Beckley Hemecker '57, Bobbie Hodgkins Smith, Bert Johnson, Don Kelso, Spence Lenhart, Cindy Luks Martin, Howard Macauley, Nell Manning Gilmore, Tasso Spanos, Pierrepont Sperry and Mary Jane Rhodes Wilson**.

A good time was had by all and we all wished we were 60 years younger so we could enjoy all the wonderful new buildings that have been added since 1954.

Ben '53 and Jan Shreck McKeel consider themselves blessed with no major health problems. Their activities center around family, golf, bridge and travel.

Jim '52 and Syd Sherwin Mellinger '52 have dealt with some major health problems, but still are enjoying life in their retirement community. In May they took a Mediterranean cruise from France to Venice, Italy. — B.M.A.

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No one has written me with news for this edition. I would appreciate hearing from you in 2015. — G.R.S.

1956

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The Class of 1956 Lectureship recipient is Professor Jamie Hendry, management. Faculty, staff, students and alumni from many areas of University life nominated Professor Hendry for this award. They say she exceeds the School of Management's teaching standards and inspires students across the campus. She challenges students to reconsider their views of the world and inspires them to engage locally and globally.

Please keep in mind that donations to the lectureship are gratefully received.

I spoke with **Barb Bauer Tanner**, and she is leaving on a Caribbean cruise with her granddaughter Kelsey. In March Barb will take another cruise, a river cruise leaving from Basel, Switzerland.

By the time you read this we are expecting **Jo Randolph Rott** to arrive in Florida for the remainder of the winter. **Margie Marshall Lawler, Jan Replogle Roberts**, Jo and I are all looking forward to Barb's annual Valentine luncheon. — P.G.H.

1957

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I am sad to report that on Nov. 23, 2014, **Della Critelli Palmer** passed away peacefully at home in Essex, Conn. Della and her husband, **William Palmer '56**, returned in recent years to live full-time in their longtime summer home in Essex. Della and Bill moved to San Francisco in 1961 and later settled in Newport Beach, Calif., where they were longtime residents of Lido Isle. Della was very

active in National Charity League and, with her husband, in the Newport Harbor and Lido Isle yacht clubs. She was born in Pittsburgh and attended schools in Mt. Lebanon, Pa. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi. She is survived by her husband, her brother, three children and four grandchildren. On Jan. 30, 2014, the family and many friends gathered at Newport Harbor Yacht Club to celebrate Della's life.

Note: Della's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.

The Photographic Society of America (PSA) has accepted and will publish "Rhonda the Doll and Her World." This is **Hugh Browning's** third article accompanied by photographs. *PSA Journal* previously published his visual essay about the temperate rain forest in Washington state (a truly beautiful national park) and photographs taken in Los Angeles alleys.

It took three years to photograph Rhonda in more than 1,000 2-and-1/4-inch x 2-and-1/4-inch images in both black and white and color, plus 20 drafts for the writing. Hugh said it was a pleasure to take these photos because he had to fantasize and eclectically borrow techniques from other sources. He borrowed from *Alice in Wonderland* with its extreme difference in scales. In Rhonda's world, Hugh used different scales, but not so exaggerated as in *Alice*. For example, Rhonda, a 13-inch-tall doll, has a friend named Frederick, who is a short spear of asparagus usually portrayed sitting in a miniature chair. There is also a tiny red bird that adds comic relief to some scenes. In one photo the red bird perches atop a double hamburger that dwarfs Rhonda, who is shown holding a long French fry.

To see samples of the Rhonda photos as well as photos from Hugh's other visual essays, visit HCBrowningphoto.com. Hugh hopes you enjoy the photos as much as he enjoyed taking them. — D.H.H.

1958

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Dear classmates, I received news from several we have not heard from for some time. Thank you!

Bob Taylor wrote: "After a long career involving private medical practice and serving on the faculty of the medical schools at Wake Forest and Oregon Health & Sciences University, my wife, Anita, and I are more-or-less retired here in Virginia Beach, Va., on the Chesapeake Bay. We are both volunteer faculty at the Eastern Virginia Medical School.

"After too many decades, I returned to campus for our class's 55th year Reunion in 2013, and then last summer we visited classmate **Nile LeStrange** and his wife, Bette, at their summer home in North Carolina.

"I continue to write books for health professionals. My 33rd book, *On the Shoulders of Medicine Giants*, was just published. I am finishing the manuscript of my next book, *What Every Medical Writer Needs to Know*. In the acknowledgements I thank my Bucknell English professors: Harry Garvin, Mildred Martin and **John Wheatcroft '49**."

From **Marie Mastorakis** came this update: "Once a year since 1986 a group of eight of us have been meeting at homes and vacation spots. The original group consisted of **Judy Daniel Morrison, Lorian Rodi Deuel, Adele Irving, Peggy Faulk Myrback** and me. **Jan Bull Borden, Shirley Cook Hatch** and **Jane Scheifele Frassenei** joined us a few years later. Although all eight cannot always meet, usually five or six do. In October 2012 all of us traveled to Green Valley, Ariz., to Peggy's new winter home. It was a rather exciting time; hurricane Sandy hit the East Coast and we stayed with Peggy a bit longer than planned. She was a

gracious hostess. October 2013 found most of us in Williamsburg, Va., and in April 2015 we'll meet at Blackwater Falls in West Virginia, where we originally planned to meet in 2014.

"For the last 13 years at Christmastime several of the group have come to my home to celebrate the holiday, sip and eat. This year Adele, Peggy, Shirley, Jane and Jan came. We missed Lorian, who was recovering from surgery, but were able to chat when she called us. Judy just lives too far away in Florida to come to New Jersey in December.

"We're an extended family that is able to connect and share whatever is on our minds no matter how much time has passed. It all started at Bucknell and still continues. I hope this Christmas season finds you in good health."

Bob Burnett wrote: "In September 2014 I took a bucket list trip to the West Coast. I drew up a list of 15 individuals (relatives, former neighbors, business colleagues, fraternity brothers, old friends and one former girlfriend) to contact, each of whom I have known for at least 40 years. I started by flying to Seattle, Wash., where I stayed with a former neighbor from Brussels and picked up a rental car for the trip south. In California I met SAE fraternity brothers **Fred Wend '59** and **Phil Nerhood** for lunch in Mission Viejo and then followed Phil down to San Diego, where I stayed for two days. From there it was on to the Phoenix area, where I was received by **Marilynn Holliand Pitman '57** in her beautiful Scottsdale condo and also met **Bob Fitzsimmons** and his wife, Carolyn, who live in the same building. The next night we had dinner with **Howard** and **Lois Iffert Rudge '59**. I flew back to Virginia the next day. All in all I traveled 2,500 miles in two weeks and made many wonderful memories!" What a fantastic trip, Bob!

As usual, I received heart-warming Christmas greetings from **Merle Holden Winstead, Elaine Longenecker Wilson,**

Cathy Hoffman Doremus, Peyton and Francie Beighley McDonald, Ginny Vollmer Swaile, Don and Jane Vetter King, Clark '56 and Ann Moore Workman, Bob and Pat Wenk Strachan '57, Nancy Stuart Edwards and Kay Brinkley Nelson '59.

Cathy had a super summer at Lake Owassa, N.J., with friends and family. Her husband, John, joined the bionic category with a hip replacement and the "no fun" recovery. Cathy stays active with book groups, bridge clubs, church activities and trips to NYC.

Ann and Clark are forever busy with family visits to Florida and remain mostly healthy. Keep it that way, Ann!

Francie and Peyton have a new granddaughter. Congrats!

Ginny, as I am planning to, has moved to be closer to family. It's difficult to leave the homestead you love, but a good decision for some of us.

Elaine had a major Thanksgiving event with a large family dinner at her home. She said, "I have not cooked for that many people in a long time."

Jane and Don spent the holidays with family in Chicago and Denver, and returned to Florida in early January.

I was lucky to have a short dinner and overnight stay with Merle after a major grandchild event. My grandson graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's Preston, Ariz., campus as an aerospace engineer and was then commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant and Air Force pilot. Proud grandma, I am.

I see **Jean Zimmerman Frederick '57** at least weekly at bridge and knitting groups and also her husband, **Jack '55**, as he is my duplicate bridge partner.

I will be leaving for Florida shortly for a month to be with my sisters Sue and **Violet Bayer Riegel '56**, and with Violet's husband **Charles "Bud" Riegel '54**. In the meantime, I'm still de-cluttering in anticipation of my move to Texas. — R.B.S.

1959

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Larry and Barbara Fitz Dempster returned to Bucknell Jan. 17. The Bison Club was honoring the 1957-58 first undefeated wrestling team and Coach Bill Wrabley. Captain Larry Dempster was one of four wrestlers that were individually undefeated. **Ron Bell** only had one loss.

Robert Hayes states, "I am still alive and kicking despite so many surgeries in the past year. At the moment I'm sitting here in my log cabin home watching the playoffs on my 6x8-foot TV screen with surround sound, and deer in the front yard."

Joan Peregoy Thayer stated, "Once again January snow and ice made traffic snarls and much confusion for parents whose school-age children either had no school, delayed openings or openings on time. I am glad I can ignore snowy weather and concentrate on staying warm! My gas log fireplace helps a lot.

"After more surgery on my spine, I am regaining strength via exercise and am looking forward to beginning the spring season with Encore Chorale, some of whose members will make a goodwill trip to Cuba in January."

William Schreiber reported the death of **Tom Marshall** to the Bucknell Alumni Association. Tom was a former member of our class and a hall buddy in Swartz Hall freshman year. He eventually graduated from the Wharton School of Business.

Note: Tom's obituary appeared in the Winter issue of Bucknell Magazine.

In a recent issue of *Military Officer*, the official magazine of the Military Officers Association of America, there was an ad for Indian River Colony Club featuring a picture of **Barb P'88** and **Kirby Lawson**. The club is just outside Melbourne, Fla. Bill

penned Kirby a short note, as they were together in Vietnam in 1966.

Richard Perlman stated that about 25 Sammies from 1956-60 gathered in NYC on Nov. 1, 2014, for a reunion organized by **Jay Citron '58**. Attending from our class were **Stu Berelson, Rick Albrecht, Alan Reubel, Herb Kallenberg, Mike Litman** and Richard.

Sylvia Beauregard Van Cleave wrote, "In November, **Willi Rilling Stahura** visited us in New Jersey. We took a guided tour of the newly opened 9/11 Memorial Museum. It is a must-see for anyone visiting NYC. Remember to bring plenty of tissues because the tour just tugs at your heartstrings. We were so impressed with the volunteers who kept thanking us for coming and honoring the memory of the victims of this horrific tragedy. That evening we dined at a local restaurant

in a park that has a monument honoring the victims who resided in our home county. It offers a view of the NYC skyline with the new One World Trade Center lighting the sky. During her stay, we also visited Ellis Island, where the parks department has done an excellent job bringing to life the stories of the immigrants who came to this country seeking a better way of life. Next, Richard and I will visit **Willi** in her lovely home in Wallingford, Conn. The time we spend together is always a special joy."

George Callahan read an article on the last page of *Christianity Today* by Gregory Alan Thornbuty called, "My Higher Criticism Crisis." He was born in Lewisburg, his father was a pastor and although he did not attend Bucknell he had this to say about it: "Founded by a Baptist association, Bucknell originally existed to further

the cause of Christ. Writing to fellow churches across Pennsylvania, the association's leaders explained that through Bucknell, they sought 'to see ... the cause of God, the honor and glory of the Redeemer's kingdom promoted in all our bounds, and spreading far and wide until the kingdom of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ.' Bucknell held its first classes in the basement of the First Baptist Church in the fall of 1846." Gregory went on to say that "today you would be hard pressed to find anything on Bucknell's website about its origins as a Christian institution." Things have changed!

George and Bonnie Steele Callahan '60 had a great year. They officiated at about 30 weddings in Georgia, then treated themselves to a trip on the *Queen Mary 2* in November from Brooklyn to Southampton, England. They had a great seven days on the seas, and were home in time to celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas with their family. In March they are going back to Africa for mission work in Swaziland and Madagascar. For those of you with children and grandchildren, check out their youngest daughter's website at JeannieCunnion.com and her book *Parenting the Wholehearted Child*. Their daughter **Patti (PattiCallahanHenry.com)** will release her new book, *The Idea of Love*, in June.

Beside weddings, travel and family, the Callahans enjoy their wee home in Tate, Ga.

Donna Jeanne Gay Grun Kaplan had a total knee replacement in October and is still recuperating. She had a lot of physical therapy (read: pure torture). She read 25 books during this confinement and listened to lots of great music making it bearable.

Hank Why tries to keep in touch with his fellow Phi Psi brothers. **Tom Millen** contacted him in December and seems to be getting along okay. Likewise for Pam and **Al Foster**, who at this point have probably escaped to warmer climates.

Kathy and Hank are spending the winter at home until April, when they plan to escape to the Villages in Florida for a month of golf and sun. Hank is still active in the boat museum and a new venture called Teen Master Tennis, a development program for teens playing competitive tennis. He's the fund raiser and business manager.

In the winter edition of the *Bucknell Magazine* I failed to submit a note about **Jean Nardi Benning's** loss of her husband, **Bill P'85, P'88**, on March 1, 2014. He graduated from Lehigh University. He became an honorary Bucknellian by sending two of his three boys to Bucknell and also established at Bucknell the Benning Scholarship, which is based on need, scholarship and service. Bill and Jean were delighted and impressed to meet the first recipient, **Jackie Carasotto '15**, who graduated early.

If you wish, contribute to the Benning Scholarship or any other education fund. — T.E.D.

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Ann Schawe Schulik writes, "I really enjoy reading the 1960 column, but I have never written. In 1975 we moved to Plano, Texas — just north of Dallas — and love this part of the country. My husband, Jack, and I have traveled all over the world. Since my first trip to Europe in 1960 with a group led by Allen Flock and Forrest Brown along with their wives, I have been to more than 100 countries. The most fascinating place was India and our two African safaris were the greatest adventures. So many times we have met Bucknellians from many different classes. I think

the most unexpected place was in the Amman, Jordan, airport. We have two adult kids who both live in Texas. Our oldest of four grandchildren will graduate from Texas A&M in May. Two others are in college and one is in 9th grade." — J.S.H.

1961

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Here's hoping everyone had a great holiday season and is looking for those beautiful spring flowers. There is not much to enjoy up here in the Northeast except biting cold.

I heard from my cub reporter, **Dick "Turk" Carnesale**, in August, when he was visiting some Bucknellians in Philadelphia. He was with **Ginny Ransom Doyle '62**, **Jan Hartman Wilson '63** and **Phebe Turner Dickson '62**, meeting the tour organizer for a Viking River Cruise on the Danube from Budapest, Hungary, to Nuremberg, Germany. After getting all their questions answered they toured the Lansdowne, Pa., area looking for Turk's first home, where he lived from age 1-5. Turk thinks he found it due to Ginny's knowledge of the area and some dogged determination — we don't know how much could possibly look the same after some 70 years. They ended the day fabulously by heading to a Caribbean-themed restaurant.

Moving on to Nov. 1, the four alumni mentioned above met in Budapest with **Nancy Melkerson Geoca '62**, friends and spouses, and 185 other lucky souls for the cruise. A few members of the group also cruised the British Virgin Islands two years ago. All enjoyed the sights and tours as they, I imagine, lavishly dined their way to Nuremberg. Turk and Jan then went on to southern Bavaria by car,

checking out the local brews and wines, while the rest went home or to Prague, Czech Republic.

Each day, they all took a table at the back of the dining deck, where many stories about those days at Bucknell were told — some true, some questionable. "The only question that remains is, where do we go for our next adventure? It's too much fun to quit now," says Turk. In a nutshell, "Bucknell friends and their friends make the very best of friends." Is that profound or what?

As for yours truly, Turk says my name came up in conversations, noting that other classes read our articles, a nice compliment to our efforts. I am having a *little* problem with my right kidney that might be fodder for a future column, but then again, that would be as un-newsworthy as I could get. Let's just go with, happiness and good health to you all! — B.B.

1962

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Erik Mason embodies the We Do spirit. Erik, one of three local activists honored in 2014 by the Santa Fe Living Treasures program, was cited as one who "with generous spirit and a humble heart works tirelessly, under the radar, to help the hungry, the homeless, the refugees and those living below the poverty line."

Erik, who served two tours in Vietnam, is a member of the organization Veterans for Peace. He has roamed the deserts of the U.S.-Mexico border to help immigrants by giving them water, food and medicine. He has accompanied spiritual and human rights leaders in Colombia. He is a founding member of the Interfaith Community Shelter in Santa Fe, N.M. An advocate for the homeless, he worked on

getting Santa Fe's first shelter built and staffed. A champion for immigration rights, he has served on the city immigrant task force and is active in his church, helping to support the family of a threatened human rights worker from Mexico.

Health problems, such as dependence on oxygen tanks to breathe, challenge Erik's activism. "I'll admit I'm slowing down, but you have to live every day, one day at a time."

For **Gary Langford**, 2014 was a doubly rewarding year. In November the Florida Bandmasters Association honored him as its 2014 Hall of Fame Roll of Distinction inductee. The ceremony, held at Stetson University in Deland, Fla., honored him for his contributions to the development of bands in Florida and his dedication to his students during his 38-year career at the University of Florida. During that time he received numerous honors and awards, including the Distinguished Service to Music Medal from the national band fraternity Kappa Kappa Psi. Co-Teacher of the Year from the University of Florida. Jazz Hero from the Jazz Journalist Association, College Music Educator of the Year and inductions into the Gainesville Friends of Jazz Hall of Fame and the University of Florida Bands Hall of Fame. His history of jazz course introduced thousands of students to jazz and was perennially one of the most popular courses on the Gainesville campus.

In December Gary received the Spirit of Gainesville Award in the Arts from the *Gainesville Sun* for generously sharing his gift of music with his university and his community. Although officially "retired," he continues to serve as an adjudicator for bands and orchestras at various competitions throughout the state, including Festival Disney at Walt Disney World. For 18 years he has been the musical director for the annual Holiday Traditions Concert in support of Stop! Children's Cancer. In addition, he conducts four

Gainesville community music ensembles, continues to perform on trumpet and flugelhorn and teaches a course on the history of jazz for the Institute of Learning in Retirement.

Gary's humble response to the awards is simply: "I feel very fortunate to have been so honored."

Bob Chertkof writes that he and his wife attended the We Do Campaign event held at the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. The event was held in a huge atrium with 40-foot ceilings. Bucknell President John Bravman gave a great presentation. The event was done with great panache.

Tom Alexander writes that "there is no really exciting news to report as we use winter survival tactics to get to the spring. Bobbie and I are looking forward to our April river cruise through the Bordeaux region of France. We planned this cruise well before the terrorist attacks. Hopefully, I will not have too much exciting news to report on our return. We still spend a lot of time with **Kevin** and **Betty Himmer Cooney**. We did a 'wine and dine' cruise with them. Needless to say, we did a lot of wining and dining."

Last March Linda and **Bob Crockett** took an exotic three-week trip through India. He is still plugging away as owner of Crockett Financial Services in Williamsport, Pa., and has no desire to retire. The Crocketts enjoy spending time with their only granddaughter, who will apply to Bucknell next year.

Joe Carter has been retired for 18 years and each year is better than the last. He spends most of his time traveling. Last year, when he wasn't at the beach or traveling stateside, he was out of the country six times. He also serves as host during March's "Aspen Party Week." Joe writes, "I cannot say I miss work, although I did have a great career with Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Energy, mostly in management."

David Ackroyd spent the summer performing in the

plays *Big River*, *Guys and Dolls* and *Tommy* with the Alpine Theatre Project — a theater company he helped to found 12 years ago. He writes, "Somehow in my latter years I morphed into a musical theater performer and, much to my surprise, found that I'm not half bad at it — except for the dancing. I remain choreographically challenged."

This past year, David visited his daughter Abby in Randolph, N.J., not far from where he grew up, and daughter Jessica in Granite Bay, Calif.

David is preparing for his seventh annual pilgrimage to Venice, Italy, where he teaches theater history in a semester abroad program sponsored by the local community college. After seven years of re-immersing himself in Italian language skills, David still finds that most Venetians' English is better than his Italian.

Betty Kordes Samuels is still singing with the "amazing" Westminster Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir, a cozy group consisting of a 110-voice choir, 30-piece orchestra and 12-person hand bell choir. They perform five concerts a year.

Steve published his Holiday Bingo game in the December issue of a *Lancaster Magazine*. Feedback was very positive — readers indicated they used the activity for their holiday parties. The magazine contracted Valentine Bingo for its February issue. — C.W.C. and S.S.

1963

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We managed to get down to Charlottesville, Va., for my 73rd birthday, Nov. 28, 2014. Also there were our daughter Laura and our son-in-law Tom Steenburgh, who teaches at the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia,

as well as our granddaughter Kathryn, 11; our grandson Jack, 9; and Laura's mother-in-law, Pat Steenburgh.

We went back to Charlottesville at Christmas for three days, and then traveled to Atlanta on Dec. 26 to meet with Jim and Jodie Brickmeier and their boys Sean, 6; Ryan 4; and Evan, 3. We had a good time with the three boys and then we headed home.

Bette Hamilton McConnell wrote to say that last June her husband and she retired. Her husband, **Roger '64**, was an orthodontist for 43 years and she managed the business for 28 years. They sold the business to another practice and also sold the building. They spend a lot of time with their six grandchildren: Carly, 15; Hugh, 14; Lainey, 13; Vaughn, 12; Erin, 8; and Jesse, 3. They went to Roger's 50th Reunion last year. It had much better weather than our 50th Reunion. In December, they went to the Bucknell Club of Philadelphia near their house at Longwood Gardens and spent time with Professor Chris Martine, biology.

Barbara Post Walton wrote to say she was in Naples, Fla., with **Beth Wehrle Smith '64** at a reunion for Kappa Kappa Gamma. She had a plan to get together with **Sally Hobart Alexander '65** in February. Barbara and her husband, Ed, are celebrating their 50th anniversary in September with lots of trips.

Linda Garrett Greenberg wrote to say that her three sons, their wives and four grandchildren went to Atlantis in the Bahamas over the holidays. They had a very good time, then went back to Florida.

Dennis '61 and **Andrea Becker Rittenhouse** are going for 10 days in March to visit their son David; his wife, Magda; and their granddaughter, Helenka, 11; in Tokyo, Japan, where the young family is living for two years. A few days after that international visit, their daughter **Beth '91** will bring her adopted son Londale, who is in fourth grade, on a spring break trip to New Jersey.

Seeing both grandchildren within a month is perfect.

Dick Fidler is still living in Spring House Estates in Lower Gwynedd, Pa. He enjoyed two more concerts in a series and a trip to visit Philadelphia City Hall, and was able to stand on and walk around the observation platform at the base of the William Penn Statue. He also enjoyed some delicious fish and chips from the giant food court in the Comcast Center.

Sue Robertson Cunnold, who lives in Atlanta, had a good set of holidays at her house with family. She said she is enjoying her new grandson, Ryan Derek Boivin, 8 months. She spends a lot of time with the baby, who is precious.

Polly Mitchell Savidge said in the fall she and Buzz went to Colorado Springs, Colo., and Sedona, Ariz., and were seduced by Grand Canyon and the red rocks. At Thanksgiving, most of the family was there with them. Her grandson, Evan, spent several months in the summer and fall in Pueblo, Colo., working for the Democratic Party. He is back in Massachusetts at the Berklee College of Music in Boston. His sister will join him in Massachusetts next fall when she matriculates at Amherst College. The rest of the family celebrated Christmas in West Virginia, but Buzz and Polly had some sickness and missed it. Buzz has surgery scheduled for Feb. 5 to repair a hernia and work with his polycystic kidney.

See if you can send me some good news. — W.S.B.

1964

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The Inn at Westwynd Farm in Hummelstown, Pa., owned by Carolyn and **Frank Troxell** was selected as a Top 10 U.S. B&B by BedandBreakfast.com. The award recognizes it as a top inn around the world providing the best travel experience in its category. Innkeepers Carolyn

and Frank founded Westwynd Farm, a horse-boarding facility, in 1980. When Carolyn retired from a career with Mellon Bank, they added onto the farm house and opened the 10-room inn in 2002. Frank retired as owner of Frank's Foreign Cars in 2010. When asked about being an innkeeper he said, "It may not look like retirement to most folks but we are having the time of our lives running the inn and meeting wonderful people from around the world. It's great fun introducing them to the area and finding new ways to make their stay with us as special as possible."

On Jan. 28 about 35 Bucknell alumni living on the Gulf Coast of Florida met at the boathouse of Colliers Reserve Country Club in Naples for a delightful dinner and presentation by **Jeff '63** and **Teddy Furst Martin** about their trip to Cuba. It was fascinating and the Class of '64 was well represented.

Shortly after returning from our 50th Reunion I received an email from **Sharon Warne Kidd**, who was an Edwards House resident in 1960. We housemates were aware Sharon was a bit unusual, but I don't think many of us had homosexuality or child abuse on our radar then. (Remember, the '50s was the *Ozzie and Harriet* decade!) I'm glad Sharon reached out to me (and all of us). Her letter is revealing and touching, I thought it well worth sharing. Here it is in its entirety:

"I had a chance to guest teach an abnormal psychology class two years ago, about the time my first book was released. It was the first time I ever felt as if I belonged at Bucknell, teaching about my job as a therapist and having the book reviewed by our *Bucknell Magazine*. It felt quite unusual.

"I never quite fit in to our class. I was shy, scared, had a converted closet as my single in Edwards House and was under-socialized. I dated a lot but really had no friends from our class, and still I have no contact with anyone from the Class of '64.

"My life was so different. After graduation I taught junior high language arts in Boyertown, Pa. During that time I joined the Roller Games and discovered that there was a world where women loved women and that it was called gay and the women were lesbians. I was already married to **Bob Kidd '63** but that was quite rocky. He was a great man. I just hadn't known I was looking for a woman. I found myself in a new world with different codes and mores and I had to learn them all.

"Bob and I divorced amicably and I moved to New Jersey with family so I could be close to the real scene in NYC. Philadelphia had been high drag and the police often attacked and arrested us. New York was not as judgmental. The woman I was with and I moved to Sacramento, Calif., to stay with her parents for a while, and then to Los Angeles. I worked for L.A. County Public Social Services for almost 10 years and then went back to school to get my master's in clinical psychology. I have been working in psychotherapy with a license since 1992. My focus was high-risk adolescents, mostly gang members or severely abused teens. I retired in 2013 as associate executive director for Gay and Lesbian Adolescent Social Services, where I supervised group homes for throw-away kids in L.A. and San Francisco.

"I still work part-time or pro bono for children's agencies when they ask. I have my own private practice, KIDWORKS, which works with teens who are doing poorly in school because of non-physical issues. The agency is now a year old.

"I have two cats and one wife. We were married on June 1, 2013, immediately after the Supreme Court gave the okay. We had been together for more than 20 years and it seemed to be the next step legally. We own our own beautiful condo in West Hollywood (the gayest city in the U.S.) and are very happy. She is a Columbia grad with a master's in journalism and is still working.

"I was a bit of a nerd at Bucknell. I was confused and scared as I thought I was the only person in the world with this strange problem, liking women. I saw my life as a long road with no hope for happiness. I did not know how to make friends and always felt as if I did not belong.

"In my book, *BloodPies*, it is clear that my early years were traumatic. I trusted no one and never let my walls down. I wish someone, a teacher or an older student, had taken the time to get to know me. Anyway, as I read *Bucknell Magazine* and see the stats on children and grandchildren, my classmates all bonding on vacations, I realize that we live in two different worlds, then and still. A few classmates have started reaching out to me, but I am sure my world of activism and fighting for our rights is probably boring to those not having the same political issues.

"Dee S., thanks for all the support you have given me. I didn't know you during our classmate years, but I appreciate all you have done to pull me in. I wish we had known each other then.

"God bless the Class of '64. My heart is heavy with all the deaths I have seen from our class." — B.W.S.

1965

REUNION 2015

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Forrest and Valerie Silbernagel Chilton, Reunion Committee co-chairs, have written the following about our upcoming 50th Reunion. "Do it! Make your destination Lewisburg, Pa., the last weekend of May (28-31). Interest is high so far. We should have a record crowd. Having talked to more than 100 classmates, we

anticipate fantastic attendance. Our living classmates number about 457. Much has happened in the past half-century. We are older, wiser and have a singular golden option to join together. We will be able to rekindle friendships and reminisce with fond memories about those no longer with us. You can reschedule most other occurrences in your life. This is a once-in-a-generation extraordinary event. Don't miss it! For yourself, for the rest of the class, please be there!

"Here are some of the preparations for the Reunion. We have a committee of 28 alumni. As of Jan. 27, the committee consists of: Valerie and I, **Jack Bernauer, Edie Conner, Don and Sara Bell Cooperson, Andy Dzurinko, Barb Hathaway P'93, P'96, Ed Hegmann, Catherine Howard, Hugh Kent, Bonnie Smith Leslie, Jean Dickinson Mansur, Mary Brecht McGready, Bill Newcomb, Frank Panczyszyn, John Polk, Jim Rowbotham, Bev Smith Ryerson, Nancy Nuernberg Smith, Mike Solon, Barry Straus, Linda Haigh Tozier, Jim Warren, Bill Weidenfeller, Sharon Wooding, Linda Larson Wescott and Sandy Uhlig Willis**. They will be calling classmates to encourage them to attend and to make a gift to Bucknell to honor our class. Our goal is \$175,000 and 60-percent participation. So far we estimate about 56 positives for attendance with another eight possible. This is from contact with less than one-third of the class. If we get similar numbers from the other two-thirds, we could have 160 to 180 classmates attending — a truly amazing number! So put on your travel outfits and plan to head for Bison territory.

"On a heart-rending note, we found many who cannot attend due to the poor health of themselves or their spouse, and many who are caregivers for elderly relatives or grandchildren. They wish us the best of times. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

"Registration packets are out. You should have received packets and a background information form. We look forward to seeing you at the best 50th Reunion ever. 'Ray Bucknell, 'ray for the Class of '65!'"

Steve Oestreich has plans to attend our 50th with **Richard Hirsch** and **Rick Amdur**. Steve and Rick attended the Nov. 7, 2014, Baron Funds Investment Conference at the Metropolitan Opera House, Lincoln Center, orchestrated by founder and CEO **Ron Baron**.

Wally Schwartz writes that he and his wife, Dao Qun, sold their farm in West Virginia, a place they had farmed for 35 years, and moved to a lovely 100-year-old Victorian house on the eastern shore of Virginia. They enjoy fishing for striped bass and flounder, sailing in the Chesapeake and the ready availability of fresh oysters, clams and blue crabs. They also continue to raise organic vegetables, which they sell at local farmers markets. Dao Qun started a small southwestern Chinese takeout business, featuring jiaozi, spring rolls and baozi. Wally says that being an east Virginian isn't all that bad because the Eastern Shore is a byway — sort of the West Virginia of Virginia.

Jim Rowbotham sent this email: "I'm one of our class who still enjoys working, with marketing and advertising as my profession. So long as I can productively consult for a Manhattan marketing/advertising agency, work remains interesting. It's regrettable that marketing research data wasn't digitally available 30-35 years ago; it is so easy and productive to access and analyze online information. I stay in touch with many classmates and alumni. Why? Because it's enjoyable, frequently hilarious and sometimes professionally valuable. Regular classmate contacts are **'Duke' Sheldon, John Rindlaub, Jim Dunn, Jean '61 and Jackie Horner Plumez, Dick Stewart, Dick Collitt, George Needham, Bruce Dove, Bob Blanchard**

and **Jason Gray**. However, to paraphrase the Vegemite TV commercial, *'But wait. There are more!'* I'm also in less frequent contact with **Linda Heilman, Ted Pierce**, Forest and Valerie Chilton (on their Reunion 'show me the money' committee), **Don Ketcham, Ron Mask, Charlie Hinkle**, and **Michael Weinstein**. Then there are 1966 alums like **Jack Bowers, Clif Shea '66, Don O'Shea '66, Jim Dusenbury '66, Peter Engler '66, Stan Ecton '66, Ray Fritsch '66, Ron Morrison '66, Hank Weil '66, John James '66, Frank 'Biff' Williams '66, Rich Ostrom '66, Rich Parsons** and the notorious **Ed 'Murf The Surf' Murphy '66**. Also there are **Jack Winslow '61, Cora Five '61, Rennie Clements '63, Barry Heaver '63, Rich Conti '63, Liz Smith Mao '71, Mark Reilly '76, Frank Brown '78, Todd Apmann '91, Mark Treiber '97** and **Amy Wilson '01**. At Reunion, I hope to see **Ted Gronlund '60, Pete Fritts '60, Bill Morrow '70, Karen Van Es '70, Dan Deiseroth '85** and **Davis Rosborough '10**.

I regularly work out in the New York Athletic Club gym, where I wear varied Bucknell T-shirts. Frequently an alum, parent or Bison relative comes over to chat about our alma mater. We have a strong, dedicated alumni network. Have I set a Class Notes record for name-dropping? Fine with me! I must also mention one inspirational faculty member for an outside project I'm doing: Janice Traflet of the School of Management."

Hugh Kent sent news of two Kappa Sigma reunions that occurred since our official 45th. In August 2011, Hugh, **Wendy P'05** and **Jeff Bolton**, Ellen and **Andy Schnur**, **Leon Ort** and Tracy and Frank Panczyszyn gathered at the home of **Nancy P'98** and Bill Newcomb and daughter **Cindy Van Kirk Newcomb '98** in Jackson Hole, Wyo. They floated on the Snake River, rode the tram to the top of the ski area, toured and stayed overnight in Yellowstone National Park and hiked to areas higher than

10,000 feet. The Grand Tetons were right outside Bill's back window. In October 2014, the Panczyszn, Boltons and Hugh visited Leon at his lakefront home at Miller Beach in Gary, Ind., where they could view the Chicago skyline and Lake Michigan. Leon led his guests on a tour of Chicago, which included deep-dish pizza for lunch. Frank showed slides from the four-month around-the-world cruise he and Tracy completed in May 2014. Hugh hopes to see many more classmates at our 50th Reunion.

I would be remiss if I did not note the passing of perhaps our most well-known classmate, **Ed Herrmann**, on Dec. 31, 2014. The *New York Times* obituary calls Ed an "Actor with a Noble Air" and cites that he graduated from Bucknell, where he began acting. Ed's talent for comedy shone when he performed on campus in *Oh Dad, Poor Dad* and *The Fantastics*. Most of us remember Ed's portrayal of FDR in the 1970s TV movie *Eleanor and Franklin* and the 1982 movie *Annie*. Ed was the voice of FDR in last year's Ken Burns documentary *The Roosevelts: An Intimate History*. For much of the 1990s, Ed's voice resounded in Dodge commercials. His final role was that of grandfather Richard Gilmore in TV's *Gilmore Girls*. Ed will be missed by the acting world and by the Bucknell community. — L.H.T.

Note: Ed's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section. For more about Ed's life and career, see the tribute by Richard Humphrey in Last Word.

1966

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Spring has finally arrived. Isn't it wonderful how dependable it is? One of my resolutions for 2015 is to enjoy the beauty of

nature in a mindful way on my daily walks. I have found mindfulness to be enormously helpful in my daily life. I am talking about paying full attention to what you are doing. Now that most of us have turned 70, it is important to think about time, which is not unlimited. When our minds are continually occupied with daily trivia and future plans we are robbing ourselves of the richness of life in the moment.

When a very official looking letter arrived from the Patent Law Offices of Rick Martin, P.C., I thought someone must be suing me. Fortunately it was an update from our fellow classmate **Rick Martin**, who is not only a patent attorney, but an author as well. You can find his latest publication, *Trickle Down for Dummies*, on amazon.com. He describes it as a cartoon-illustrated non-fiction economics book. Rick and his wife, Tanya, live in Longmont, Colo., with their two daughters, Olya, 18, and Larisa, 10. Rick writes that he is busy writing patents and suing companies for patent infringement. He also mentions that fitness is important to the Martin family. The girls are active in swimming. Tanya enjoys intense fitness classes and Rick lifts weights, swims and bikes with his dogs as well as skiing in the winter and waterskiing the rest of the time. His message to classmates is to "stay young, stay fit, stay creative and, most of all, stay loving." Thank you, Rick, for a rare hard copy letter.

News from the West Coast comes from **Leslie Heinkel Engler**, who sends greetings from Moraga, Calif. (in the Bay Area). Since she retired from her job as an environmental chemist, she and her husband of 10 years, Ethan Bortman, have been traveling for five to six months each year. From February to May you can find them in Australia, where they have a small apartment on the Sunshine Coast. When not exploring Australia, Leslie enjoys membership in a woodworking club, a hobby she always wanted

to pursue. In late summer they have been going to Europe and doing house exchanges in different places every year. According to Leslie, it is a great way to meet people and see the local sights. They have done more than 30 exchanges so they've covered a lot of territory.

Although she has not been back to campus in many years, Leslie does stay in touch with some of her Kappa Delta friends. She has reconnected with **Ann Weisberg Dean**, with whom she worked at the National Institutes of Health after graduation. Ann, who is still with NIH, has had a very interesting career. Leslie also sees **Karen Gilbert Haydock** regularly, since she lives nearby. Leslie shared the sad news that Karen's husband, Bob, passed away. You will find Karen's contact information in the Bucknell Alumni App.

Colorado seems to be the place to live if you love outdoor sports. **Marv Goldberg** has lived in Denver since leaving private medical practice in Virginia Beach, Va. He is on the faculty of the University Colorado School of Medicine and Hospital as well as at the Denver VA Medical Center, where he teaches nephrology and internal medicine. He plans to retire in June and spend more time rock climbing, skiing and cycling. His son **Craig '92** lives nearby, which makes it convenient for Marv to volunteer at his granddaughters' school. Marv writes that he and **Chris Rojahn** got together for a brief visit last year in Palo Alto, Calif. The Goldbergs spend half their year in Beaver Creek, Colo., and would love to see any classmates who are there to ski or explore the Rockies.

Bill Ginsburg contacted me in response to one of my email pleas. He and his wife, **Marilyn Miller Ginsburg '67**, live in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Bill has retired from the Mayo Clinic where he practiced rheumatology for 37 years. The Ginsburgs are enjoying their retired life traveling and spending more time with their son, daughter-in-law and three

grandchildren, 8, 10 and 12.

Finally, getting back to mindfulness, I would like to recommend a poem, "Love after Love," by Derek Walcott, one of my favorite poets. It is particularly appropriate for our 71st spring. Spring is here, "Feast on your life" and enjoy every minute. — K.M.

1967

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Bill and Marilyn Goessling Garwood have lived in Salinas, Calif., for many years. Bill got his Ph.D. at the University of Washington and taught oceanography at the Naval Postgraduate School. He enjoys his retirement and distance running and community work. Marilyn returned to school after Bucknell and became a registered nurse. She spent her career as an oncology nurse. I can say from personal experience that that field requires a special, caring and empathetic person. She enjoys playing her flute, usually at church. They have three children and seven grandchildren. Marilyn stays in touch with **Laura Williams Honeycutt**. You can reach Marilyn at mggarwood@gmail.com.

Dick Helsel has worked as a chemical engineer in Knoxville, Tenn., for 48 years and is in the process of retiring. He is married to **Carol DeWolf Helsel '68**, who stays in touch with **Ginny Beck Klute '68**. Dick and I reminisced about some of the stupid first-year hall group things we did in the basement of Kress Hall. The Helsels enjoy travel, music, photography and summers in Maine. They have two children and three grandchildren. You can reach Dick at dwhelsel@comcast.net.

Gene Ryerson and I shared first-year councilor duties on third Kress. He also went to medical school and specialized

in pulmonary medicine. He was a professor of internal medicine at the University of Florida for 30 years, and then helped Florida State University develop a medical school. He is retired but remains active in medical education. In fact, when we spoke he was preparing a speech for a medical convention. He is a trustee of the McKnight Brain Research Foundation. He is married to **Bev Smith Ryerson '65** and they have four sons. Gene's email is generyerson@gmail.com.

Ann Baker Smid describes herself as "pretty routine." She has been married to Miles Smid for 45 years and has worked for the Department of Defense for her entire career. She enjoys book groups, tutoring, exercise and singing in a community chorus. The Smids have two daughters and two granddaughters. Ann loves retirement. She occasionally sees **Jackie Pearson Weidenfeller '66**. Ann's email is absmid@verizon.net.

Bob Mandel was a chemistry major but fell in love with the theater, which he partly attributes to Professor Harvey Powers. Instead of going to medical school he got a graduate degree in theater at Columbia University and then a fellowship at the American Film Institute (AFI) in Los Angeles. He has since directed several movies (*School Ties*, *F/X* and *The Substitute*, among others) and TV shows (including the *X Files* pilot). He then became the dean at AFI, where he stayed for nine years until his retirement one year ago. He is excited about becoming a director again. He was honored by Bucknell as a distinguished alumnus, an experience that was very meaningful to him.

Bob Marks P'93, P'94, P'02 is a senior partner in a law firm in Danville, Pa., his hometown. He's active in civic organizations and is senior counsel to the Geisinger Health System. But the thing that he seems most proud of is his golf coaching. His son, **Tommy '02**, has developed near complete blindness, but has won at least

two national golf tournaments with Bob's coaching. When I pointed out that many of our classmates are retired, he responded, "What would I do?" I am jealous that all of his children and grandchildren live near him. Bob's email is rmarksr@mmdlawoffice.com. — C.G.

1968

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I heard from **Greg Harper**, who has been "on the move." He reported, "Pulled by our two daughters and four grandchildren, who live in Merion Station outside Philadelphia, and the desire not to retire to an over-55 community in an old corn field, Lorrie and I undertook the big downsize and moved in December 2014 from Allentown, Pa., to a new condominium unit in Narberth, within walking distance of both girls. On the Main Line, Narberth is a small community that is not on busy Route 30, which connects most of the other Main Line towns. We are mostly settled, but also heading out to Arizona for a little sunshine and horseback riding to escape the rest of winter. We are only three blocks from the train station, about 15 minutes from center-city Philadelphia, and not more than a 10-minute walk from most of life's important services. I am still volunteering as an emeritus physician at Lehigh Valley Hospital in Allentown and doing some consulting work. I look forward to this next stage in life, and we will have the grandchildren to help us change light bulbs when we can no longer climb a ladder — hopefully a few years off yet! We are happy to see neighboring or passing through Bucknellians. We still have a guest room, and Narberth is a very cool place to be." Contact Greg at gregoryrandallharper@gmail.com.

As I reported previously, we are searching to identify "Cinderella Couples" from Bucknell. **Marilyn Cox Richin '69** answered the call and reported that she and **Paul Richin** were married after Bucknell and had three children and four grandchildren. Paul is a partially retired orthopedic surgeon in Atlanta, where they have been for 35 years. They also have a home on Hilton Head Island, S.C., and have big plans to travel, including a trip to Vietnam, Cambodia and Thailand this year. Marilyn can be reached at mrichin@aol.com. There must be other Cinderella Couples out there!

I caught up with **Sarah Harbison Robinson**, who reported that "after completing graduate work in anthropology at Penn State and a post-doc in economic demography at the University of Michigan, I returned to Penn State and married my husband, Warren Robinson, a professor of economics and widower with two teenage children. When they were both in college we headed off for about 15 years of international work in Bangladesh, India, Kenya and Egypt. After returning to Washington, D.C., in 1995, I worked at the U.S. Agency for International Development in the Office of Population and Reproductive Health until I retired this past June. Over the years I have continued my interests in singing and painting. I am dedicating more time to these, as well to getting back to the jogging I gave up several years ago and to enjoying five grandchildren. Retirement is still an ongoing process, but it is exciting to have the time and energy to head off in new directions." Sarah is at sfharbison46@gmail.com.

I caught **Joe "Chip" Williams '69** just as he was heading out the door to Bandon Dunes for a golf outing. Joe is a financial advisor and the Raymond James representative in Coral Springs, Fla. Email him at joseph.williams@raymondjames.com. — G.V.

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1971

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Debbie Juran was selected by *San Francisco Magazine* to receive the 2014 Five Star Wealth Manager Award, a recognition accorded to top performers of personal wealth advisory and management. In addition, Debbie advises that she will be featured in March as one of the Top 10 Most Influential Women in Silicon Valley. She has also established a scholarship at Bucknell. For more about Debbie, see the Q&A in this issue's Moore Avenue section. — A.S.B.

Members of the Tampa Family Law Inns of Court unanimously voted to rename their organization the Stann W. Givens Family Law Inn of Tampa in honor of **Stann Givens**. Stann is a founding partner of the Tampa law firm Givens Givens Sparks. He started this chapter of the American Inns of Court 20 years ago and was its leader for 19 years.

1972

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Dotty Fries Johnson is assistant professor at the College of New Jersey in the special education, language and literacy department. She teaches junior and senior education majors about literacy across the curriculum. In May, she and her husband attended the graduation of their youngest child, Ross McCormack, from NYU School of Medicine. All three of their children are medical doctors. They practice at Johns Hopkins, Bellevue Hospital and the University of Pittsburgh. In her spare time, Dotty enjoys spending time with her three grandsons.

Lorraine Cangelosi Zorbo writes, "I am celebrating my 12th year as national director of sales for Arcadia Home Care and Staffing, a position that allows me to travel the country mentoring sales executives. In addition, I am the 'Voice of Arcadia,' writing and recording all the radio commercials, website language, marketing collateral and advertisements. I just completed my term as president of the Grand Rapids/Kalamazoo Chapter of the Case Management Society of America, and am vice president of the Michigan Brain Injury Provider Council. I also serve on a local hospital's patient and family advocacy council. My spare time is spent with my grandson in yoga classes, attending college football games (my eldest is the head coach at Kalamazoo College), traveling and enjoying time with friends." — A.S.B.

1973

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Hi classmates! I didn't hear from anyone for this issue. I know you all must be having great adventures in retirement, planning to retire, enjoying grandchildren, etc.

Phil '72 and I were stuck in Nashville, Tenn., during the blizzard in Boston in January. We were thrilled to be able to spend a couple extra days with Carter (Class of 2033?) and Colette (2036?) as well as their parents **Travis '04** and **Amy Curlett Martin '03, M'06**. The only disappointment was missing an evening with **Rod P'05, P'08** and **Cheryl Cooper Shaw**.

Also, **Jenny Chen McIntosh**, where are you? — S.L.C.

1974

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I received a terrific note from **Jim Potdevin '76**. Jim served in the Coast Guard for 23 years as a surface operations specialist. He was a navigator on a buoy tender in Mayport, Fla., a commanding officer of a patrol boat in Seward, Alaska, an executive officer of a buoy tender in Cordova, Alaska, a commanding officer of a buoy tender in Kodiak, Alaska, and spent the balance of his time with rescue centers and staff jobs in New Orleans, Governors Island, N.Y., and Juneau, Alaska. Jim retired from the Coast Guard in 2000 and ever since has been with the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities as a long-range marine transportation planner working with the ferry system. He has been in Juneau for 22 years. Jim's wife, Tamira, is from Tanana, Alaska — look that one up, he says! Tamira works in the school system as a cultural specialist. Jim's two daughters, Weather, 29, and Kelsey, 27, both went to Colby College in Maine. Both girls swam from elementary school though four years of college and "both are apparently

smarter than me, grade-wise that is," says Jim. Their home is 1.7 miles from Mendenhall Glacier, which "makes for a nice air conditioner in the summer — not that we need it." Jim has a 22-foot Boston Whaler Revenge that they use for camping, fishing and yachting.

Jim's brother **Bob '75** lives in Basking Ridge, N.J., with his wife, **Jill Campana '76, P'07, P'10**, and is president of Potdevin Machine Co. Jim has three daughters (all grown — one lawyer, one doctor and one archeologist) and Jill has two (both went to Bucknell). Jim's sister **Jan Potdevin Munier '77** lives in Falmouth, Mass., and her husband, Rob, is vice president of fleet operations and maintenance at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

I can remember when Jim, Bob, Jan and I were all students at Bucknell. I would visit my grandparents on weekends in Shelter Island, N.Y., and hang with them on the north fork of Long Island. Jim and Bob had dream jobs at Preston's Marine in Greenport. Great summer memories!

Thomas Gardner delivered the keynote address at Virginia Tech's fall 2014 undergraduate commencement ceremony. Tom has been a member of the Department of English at Virginia Tech since 1982 and holds the title of Alumni Distinguished Professor. His teaching and research focuses on poetry, primarily that of 19th-, 20th- and 21st-century American writers with a particular emphasis on the way a poem enacts the movement of the mind and emotions. Tom has published many books, the most recent being *Poverty Creek Journal*, a book of lyric essays focusing on running trails just outside Blacksburg, Va. Over the years, he has received the Outstanding Faculty Award for the Commonwealth of Virginia, a Guggenheim Fellowship, a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship in poetry and the Fulbright Bicentennial Chair in American Studies at

the University of Helsinki. Tom received his master's from Syracuse University and his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. — N.W.C.

1975

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Celine Koropchak retired from her position at Duke University as a project manager in the Department of Medicine to spend more time writing and tending her acre of blueberry bushes in Oxford, N.C. She sells her blueberries to local university and corporate cafeterias. Never in her wildest imaginings did she think she would end up farming and writing books, in addition to working a full-time job (that is why she retired), but as she observed, "life has a way of steering you in directions you never even knew existed."

Celine shared that she has published a book, *One With All of Thee: Growing Your Sacred Connection*. "The book is the culmination of more than 25 years of spiritual practice and growth," she says. It's available on Amazon. I checked out the link she provided to an interview that describes the book: ModernLifeBlogs.com/2013/08/divine-voices-are-speaking-are-you-ready-to-listen. Her Facebook page is One With All of Thee, and her email is onewithallofthee@gmail.com. What a remarkable journey!

Mike Stello '74 wrote with the following announcement: "Attention Bucknell Christian Fellowship of the 1970s. We are planning a reunion the weekend of June 6." For more information, contact Mike at mwstello@gmail.com.

— N.Q.B.

1976

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Members from the "Founder's Era" of the Bucknell Rugby Club gathered in Chicago last November to witness the New Zealand All Blacks play the U.S.A. Eagles at a sold-out Soldier Field. Joining in on the historic weekend, which also marked the 40th anniversary of the club's start, were **Mark Stephanou '75**, **Bob Molke**, **Mark Springer**, **Mark "Reils" Reilly**, **Scott Guthman '77** and **Tom Heinen '77**. Many had not seen each other in several decades, and everyone "more or less" looked the same. Seeing New Zealand in action was particularly meaningful, as the Bucknell Rugby Club had originally adopted the All Blacks style of play, uniform colors and nickname many years ago.

On Friday, the group had a table at the U.S.A. Rugby Foundation Lost Afternoon Rugby Luncheon, followed by a visit to one of Guthman's old haunts for some deep-dish pizza. Game day saw them enjoy a tailgate under the Bucknell flag with parents of current athletes. The day wrapped up with a dinner hosted by Heinen.

For 2015, there is a dinner booked in NYC with **Curt Gillespie** and **Dave Stuckey '75**. In March, several Bison who later played at the New York Athletic Club, including **Bruce McLane '89** and Mark Reilly, will attend the Winged Foot Hall of Fame dinner. A visit to the campus to view the current squad in April and a return to Chicago for another Eagles match in September are also being discussed. All former players (men and women) are encouraged to join Bucknell Rugby on Facebook, and any

Bison old boys from the '70s and '80s are also welcome to contact Mark directly at stedmark@verizon.net. They're looking to build the contact list.

Lisa Applebaum Donatelli wrote to update us on her activities. After Bucknell, she moved to Manhattan, where her family lived, armed with her French literature major. She lived a happy and interesting single life, spending much time with Bucknell and other friends while building her first career as a registered representative at AXA Advisors. At 31, she met her wonderful husband, Daniel Donatelli, an attorney, through **Joyce Parseghian**. That same night, Joyce's sister met her future husband, Dan's best childhood friend, and they are all close to this day. Dan and Lisa have two sons, 24 and 21, who attended State University of New York schools. Dan and Lisa sail all summer on Long Island Sound with their sailing club. Lisa is the commodore and she says to contact her if you want sailing buddies!

Lisa's second career was teaching French and Spanish in public school. Her third career is as a real estate agent with Douglas Elliman in Port Washington and Manhasset, N.Y.

Following up on Lisa's Bucknell experience with the cover band Heads N Tails, she has been in a cover band on Long Island, now called the Salty Dogs. They play yacht clubs and charity events in Long Island's active boomer music scene, and she says it is a blast.

For Lisa's 60th birthday her husband surprised her. He invited close family and friends to a small blues club in Greenwich Village, where they heard a phenomenal guitar and harmonica duo and drank a lot of overpriced champagne. It was perfect.

This year, Lisa saw her ex-roommate and close friend **Judy Ellicott Rader**, who spent a weekend with Lisa and Dan. They had a wonderful time. Lisa says, "It is so important to remember to seize the day face-to-face with our friends

from earlier chapters, because at this point we have even more to share!" — G.W.F. and M.L.K.

1977

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Jeff Seward surprised his wife, **Cathy Karpuk Seward**, by inviting some of her Bucknell friends to celebrate her 60th birthday and watch a swim and diving meet in Boston between Northeastern University and the University of Vermont, where she is the diving coach. Although Northeastern's colors are red and black and Vermont's are green and gold, there was a row of Bucknell orange and blue in the bleachers. Bucknellians in attendance were Cathy's first-year roommate, **Jan Atkinson Bottizer**; 1978 roommate in Boston, **Polly Bergreen Pyle '76**; Beta Gamma little sister, **Karen Gehle Geiling '78**; diving teammate **Linda Robinson Palmer '80**; and **Peter Harris**. Jeff hosted a pre-dinner party with wine and Vermont's famous Heady Topper craft beer before dinner at Legal Seafood. Although Vermont lost the meet, it was a wonderful weekend of great stories. Cathy and Jeff live in South Burlington, Vt., and Cathy can be reached at c.karpuk.seward@gmail.com. — E.L.S.

1978

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Happy spring! As I sit in my office putting this column together it is in the 20s and snowing. Hopefully when you read this column it is sunny and flowers are blooming.

I received a great update from **Jeff Stone**, who wrote: "I thought I'd reconnect with folks that may have suspected an untimely disappearance. In 2009, my wife and I resettled in the Atlanta area, where I work for WellStar Integrated Health Systems as a family physician in a variety of positions afforded by age and experience. We fled the Northeast cold and the taxes of New York and followed two kids and four grandchildren. We have since been followed by two of the other kids, who attend the University of Georgia and Georgia Regents University for their respective academic pursuits. I joined the academic trend of the family and graduated after 27 months at Georgia State University with an MBA and a master's of health administration.

"With rediscovered time I've found some former classmates on Facebook, and by utilizing the Bucknell Alumni App I've met many former Bison down here as patients and associates. I'd like to personally apologize to my undergraduate management classmates for making fun of them for not taking tougher science courses while at Bucknell, as I now have a respectful appreciation for the finance and accounting they contended with while I was in the lab. I returned to Bucknell only once in the past three years with a WellStar team on a visit to Geisinger to glean ideas for our own system. I took them to Bucknell for some memories and to show off the place. But it's tougher to get north these days and when I do it's usually to see family in Saratoga, N.Y., Winchester, Mass., or Augusta, Maine. As an almost empty nester, anyone will find room on their way south. Holly and I live off I-75 at 233 Rose Hall Lane in Dallas, Ga." Many thanks, Jeff, for getting in touch with us!

With my daughter **Jean '13** living in Washington, D.C., I am able to keep up with alumni in the area. The Bucknell Club of Washington, D.C., sponsored a conversation with our classmate,

Kathleen Hogan, deputy assistant secretary for energy efficiency at the Department of Energy. Kathleen has a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University and a bachelor's in chemistry from Bucknell. She was recognized for her work with a Presidential Rank Award, induction into the Energy Efficiency Forum Hall of Fame of the U.S. Energy Association and for being a contributor to the Nobel Peace Prize awarded to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

Through Jean's connections to the Washington club I also learned that our class was well represented at the We Do Tour event in D.C. this past November. **Lisa Poulin**, Baltimore-Washington metro campaign co-leader; **Sally Stoner Bachman**, campaign co-chair; and **Wendy Pangburn**, Baltimore-Washington metro campaign volunteer, were in attendance, as was **Laurens "Mac" MacLure**, who I see is a Bucknell parent. Class of '17. Hey, Mac, send me an update!

On a final personal note, **Kevin Falco**, I'm still waiting for that Colorado update!

On a very sad note I must report the sudden passing of our classmate **Michael "Mickey" DeSimone** on Dec. 30, 2014. Mickey and his brothers **Dave '77** and **Dan '82** were all members of the wrestling team and Fiji. Dave shared Mickey's obituary, which noted that Mickey "enjoyed a rambunctious childhood with his elder brother, David, and younger brother, Daniel. Mickey was a revered guidance counselor, as well as a wrestling, lacrosse and football coach at Suffern High School for 35 years. Despite his numerous athletic achievements, he was most proud of his family. Mickey is survived by his wife, Sandra, and his three children, Micaela, Lely and Gray. Nonetheless, he was a father figure to countless others, which only solidified his significant presence within the Suffern community. Mickey was a role model, a leader and a molder of men, and to say

his presence will be missed is a gross understatement." — K.M.A.

Note: Mickey's obituary appears in this issue's In Memoriam section.

1979

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News from classmates was a bit sparse but spring blooms eternal and I hope for the next issue there will be a budding of letters!

I heard from **Ira Leff** in Atlanta. He wrote about his five children. His oldest daughters, Rachel and Daniella, are at Touro College in NYC, but Daniella is spending the year in Jerusalem, Israel, close to my town of Efrat. The youngest three attend school in Atlanta.

Ira and I go way back. We became friends during our sophomore year and then worked together to create a Jewish studies program in Martin House. Ira has visited Israel and I hope he will visit again. Meanwhile, the miracle of internet allows us to communicate regularly.

A Christmas email from **Dave Stoddard** was a pleasant surprise. Dave writes that his sons Tim and Dan live in Harrisburg, Pa., close to home. Among their camping trips was a trip to Lake Wallenpaupack, Pa. His daughter, Amy, was in East Africa volunteering with the local population. Dave and his wife, Marj, visited Honduras with Dan, hiking, snorkeling, doing mission outreach and meeting Dan's girlfriend, Jennifer. Dave works at United Disabilities Services. He remains a loyal Seattle Seahawks fan from his days living in Seattle.

Finally, **John Weitz** also sent a Christmas email to update me about himself and his family. Though he wrote an old-fashioned letter, John included many photos.

John and family took a trip to Chicago to see relatives, including his mom. His son Jeff is in his final year of his doctoral program in physical therapy. It is uncanny how much Jeff resembles his dad. I see the photo and it brings back memories of our runs together at Bucknell and later at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Jeff's daughter, Erica, is still living in Orlando, Fla., where she remains a teacher for special-needs students at Lake Howell High School. Erica is also a personal trainer and a marathon runner, shades of both her mom and dad. John works at ANCO Environmental Services in geological and environmental consulting, both in and out of the office. He also volunteers at the local track club races and writes the club's newsletter. Cataract surgery has greatly improved his eyesight. He writes that if any of you have doubts about eye surgery, contact him. Thanks, John!

So, dear classmates, I hope this latest update will inspire you all to send updates about your news. All the best. — A.S.

1980

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Louise "Wendy" Pongracz has been working for 25 years as a labor and benefits lawyer and is a Partner at Willig, Williams & Davidson in Philadelphia. She is a frequent lecturer and author and participated at the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans meeting, where she led a workshop to help employers understand details of the Affordable Care Act, health savings account plans and related employment law. Wendy has also written articles on topics such as the complexity of benefits for

same-sex couples and benefits in labor negotiations. For more about her expertise, read her profile at wwdlaw.com.

Holiday cards seem fewer each year, but **Jim Wylie** sent e-greetings and he plans to be on campus in May. He is a managing partner with Hybrid Cycles, where he sells and rents electric bikes. Jim is passionate about environmental issues and is a member of West Chester Borough Leaders United for Emissions Reduction. He is active in the Sierra Club and spends his free time hiking, biking and kayaking. If you'd like to lower your carbon footprint or just have fun on an electric bike, email Jim at jim.wylie@verizon.net.

Thanks to **Dave Moore**, who took pity on my "news-less" columns and wrote, "For the past 22 plus years, I have worked as a pediatrician in York, Pa. Our group, Pediatric Care of York, has somehow managed to stay an independent private practice during this time, and I have been blessed to take care of great patients and to work with a wonderful group of fellow physicians and staff. This year, I will be getting a little more into the politics of medicine as I serve as president of our county medical society. In my off time, I enjoy running and play the bassoon for a local community band. I hope to make it to Lewisburg for at least part of Reunion weekend; I've never missed one yet, and it's always great to see the campus again and catch up with everyone." Dave's wife, Bonnie, has given up work as an ER nurse to become a fitness trainer, and they have two sons, one in college and one a high school senior. Dave keeps in touch with Moira and **Dennis Murphy, Mike Ripple, Bruce and Lynn Winter Clouser, Joan Kimsey Drumheller, Charlie '81 and Cheryl Hoffman Thorwarth, Cindy Feidt Gavula and Jay Snoddy**. Dave's email is davemooreped@gmail.com.

From **Libet Hall Ottinger** I received the following: "Amazing Class of '80, come home for our 35th Reunion! **Carolyn**

Neely Ainslie, Susan Hagerty Keating and I are co-chairing, and our goal is to have the best turnout ever and build on the great job the Vidmers did for the 30th. Definitely check out the Bucknell Class of 1980 Facebook page started by **Joanne Burek Wiggin** — the posts are hilarious and jog wonderful memories of first-year hall groups, crazy moments and great friendships. Dust off your yearbook, reach out to hallmates, teammates, brothers and sisters, and come back and be part of the fun! We welcome any ideas for the weekend. Hope to see you on campus May 28–31. "Ray Bucknell!" You can email Libet at lottinger@mcdonogh.org with ideas for Reunion. More importantly, because planning will be in full swing by the time this edition is printed, book your reservations quickly and get to the tent party.

Libet adds that **Kathleen Sherrill** did an amazing job on a class slideshow video years ago and has updated it over the years. "She is willing to keep it going, so have fun going down memory lane, and comb through those boxes and scrapbooks. Send any worthy photos to her email: kathleen.sherrill@yale.edu."

Hope to see many of you in May. — D.L.H.

1981

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For more than four years I have dreaded writing this column, but I knew someday I would have to. You see, my dear friend and modmate, **Kimberly Cooke Brown**, was diagnosed with glioblastoma in September 2010, and on Nov. 6, 2014, she lost the battle she fought so brilliantly and courageously. Every day I think of Kim and of the happiness, kindness and humor she brought to my life and to the lives of so many

people. She is irreplaceable.

Kim was the only daughter of Mason and Laney Cooke and grew up in a house full of love and laughter. She graduated from West Windsor High School outside Princeton, N.J., and entered Bucknell in September 1977. She was an elementary education major and lived on Third West, where she quickly became dear friends with **Ginny Bagley Rutkowski** and **Linda Todisco Dunne**, who would become the other members of Mod 18 during our senior year. Kim pledged Beta Gamma with Ginny during their sophomore year and met **Christopher Brown**, who became the love of her life. Kim and Chris married in June 1984 and eventually became parents to Emily and **Tom '12**. They spent most of their married life in Ridgefield, Conn., where Kim taught nursery school and got her master's so she could teach middle school science. Kim and Chris were very involved in their church and their faith was an integral part of their lives. They bought "Crystal Cottage" in a charming beach community called The Ridge in Duxbury, Mass., where Kim's parents had moved permanently. Summers on The Ridge were a special time for the Brown family, and many of their closest friends were treated to time there.

Kim faced cancer with courage and faith. Early on, she had surgery, followed by weeks of in-patient rehab, six weeks of daily radiation and a chemo regimen that extended on and off for four years. I was fortunate to be the closest mod-mate to Kim's treatments and hospitalizations in Boston, so the silver lining of her illness was my ability to spend more time with her in her last four years than our busy lives had allowed prior to that. She was thrilled to attend our 30th Reunion to see so many of you and to see many of Tom's swim meets and his graduation from Bucknell. She also got to watch Emily's career blossom (Em is a clinical dietitian at UNC Chapel Hill Medical Center)

and to watch her purchase her first home. Kim spent countless hours with dear family and friends and traveled with Chris to North Carolina, Italy and Lewisburg over the course of her illness.

Kim's memorial service in Ridgefield was a beautiful representation of her life and was filled with love from the three pillars of her life — Ridgefield, Duxbury and Bucknell. Ginny offered remarks and many Bucknellians attended Kim's memorial service including Linda, **Marcia Hamilton Buss, John Diffenderfer, Paul Koethe, Bruce '80 and Kim Trego Sachs, Kirsten Schubauer Heinemann, Linda Martin McGowan, Steve Kohn, Cathy Barton Zales, Dave Davino, Patty Brandt Rosvold, Ellen McCahon, Allison Abouchar Cross '84, Molly Butzer '80 and Rich Pisano '82**.

There are two quotes from Ginny's remarks at the memorial service that I would like to share as they capture the essence of our dear Kimberly and I am sure will resonate with those of you who knew Kim: "It is what friendship with Kim means that is so special ... there is nothing 'exclusive' about being friends with Kim ... being friends with Kim means that you are now part of her family," and, "With Kim there were no unhappy times ... by the testimony of all who have posted on the Carepages and on Facebook over the last several days ... the strongest message there is that no one ever saw Kim without a smile. She saw the best in everyone and in that way influenced others to be their best self ... as she was."

Kim will live in our hearts always. And in her honor, I will try to be my best self every day. I was blessed to be able to call her friend. — C.C.R.

Note: Kim's obituary appeared in the Winter issue of Bucknell Magazine.

1982

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I received some exciting news from my Mod 16 mate, **Kris Harris Elwell**. After being an adjunct professor in Harrisburg, Pa., at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn., and at Bentley University in Waltham, Mass., Kris was asked to take on a full professorship in the marketing department at Bentley. She's hoping it doesn't interfere too much with her tennis leagues! She and her husband, **Ron**, live in Bedford, Mass., where Ron is the founder and CEO of Swoop, an online advertising company.

Gary Resnick, a shareholder in the Fort Lauderdale, Fla., office of GrayRobinson, was re-elected mayor of Wilton Manors, Fla. — B.G.K.

1983

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There's not much in my mail from our classmates this time, but the Eick family has reached another milestone. **Jim '82** and I are no longer in the tuition business! Our youngest, Sarah, graduated from the University of Alabama in mid-December as a public relations major with a computer science minor. We had a really fun weekend in Tuscaloosa, Ala., celebrating with family and friends. Sarah is temporarily (she asked me to put that in all capital letters!) living at home as she begins her career with Legends Global Sales. They are marketing the seating for the new Atlanta Falcons stadium. Please send word of the newly minted adults in your house! — T.T.E.

KEEPING HER COOL

Barbara Haviland Minor '81 helped reduce the environmental impact of the automobile industry in an unlikely space — the air-conditioning system. She, along with chemical engineers at Honeywell and DuPont Fluorochemicals in Wilmington, Del., where she's worked for more than 30 years, led the development of a low-global-warming automobile refrigerant that's used in an estimated 3 million vehicles worldwide, including in Europe and the United States.

The refrigerant, Opteon YF, took 10 years of research and development to bring to fruition, and is perhaps Minor's greatest professional achievement to date, but it's certainly not the only one.

Since 1989, Minor, who holds 130 U.S. patents, has worked on chemical formulations for several products that address global climate change, and that career, made up of many milestones, has brought her into a very small club. In 2014, she became one of only five women in DuPont's 200-year history to be given the title of DuPont Fellow, a prestigious ranking within the company that indicates the highest level of technical achievement.

Minor graduated from Bucknell with a degree in chemical engineering and has spent her career at DuPont in various positions, including work in technical service, manufacturing, business analysis, and research and development. There are just 33 Fellows within the company of 58,000 employees. They meet monthly, primarily to discuss ways in which to collaborate across DuPont, conduct outreach outside the company and mentor younger employees — an important role for a woman in a STEM field.

The barriers for women in science are beginning to come down, says Minor, pointing to DuPont's current CEO, fluorochemicals global business director and North American business director — all women. The field of air conditioning and refrigeration remains male-dominated, however. At industry conferences, she is often one of the only women to speak on the topic of refrigerants.

"Unfortunately, women in this industry have to establish their reputations over time, prove their integrity and show that they can do the work," she says.

But thanks to women like Minor working at the highest levels of STEM-centered careers, young women entering these fields have inspiring examples to follow. — *Lisa Z. Leighton*



1984

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John and **Robbie Weaver Schuld** enjoyed their third Christmas living in Seoul, South Korea, where John is vice president and chief marketing officer of Ford. Robbie is vice president, activities for Seoul International Women's Association. She enjoys Zumba and joined a Korean drumming class this past fall. She wrote a speech about her drumming experience for a Korean speech contest, and her second place win

was covered on Korean TV.
— G.D.T.

1985

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Steve Harber won an award from New York Law School for legal entrepreneurship and innovation. He received a JD there in 1992. Steve's wife, **Lana Franks Harber**, attended the award ceremony along with his DU fraternity brothers **Jeff Farnath '84**, **Tommy Neubauer**,

Kevin Nicholson, **Mike Zachara**, **John Braniff '86**, **Scott Lawlor '86** and **Jeff Perlman '86**. Congratulations, Steve!

Tammy Singleton-English was elected chair of the Allegheny County Bar Association Solo and Small Firm Practitioner Section, which assists solo and small-firm lawyers in the Pittsburgh area with the business side of practicing law. Tammy is an estate-planning attorney and certified public accountant in Pittsburgh.

Eric Anders graduated with an MBA from The Anderson School at UCLA in 1991. A few months later, he opened Wood Ranch BBQ & Grill (woodranch.com). Since then the restaurant has grown to 14 locations throughout southern California. The exciting news is in addition

to an upcoming new Wood Ranch in San Diego, Calif., they're opening the first Wood Ranch outside of California in spring 2015 at the Springfield Town Center in Springfield, Va. Eric would love to see any of our classmates stop by for a beer on Eric! Congratulations, Eric!

The bed and breakfast owned by **Shelley Goulding** was featured as part of a Seattle getaway package on Wheel of Fortune. Shelley opened the Nine Cranes Inn in the Phinney Ridge neighborhood of Seattle four years ago. She writes, "Inn-keeping is fun and never boring. Business is great. Seattle is a wonderful place to visit." Visit her online at 9cranesinn.com.

Nancy Draudin Hafers wrote with some news. On Nov. 8, 2014, a group of Delta Gammas got together for a mini-reunion lunch at the lovely home of **Debbie Wild Lafond '87** in Wilton, Conn. It had been years since many of them had been together. **Debbie Freeman Brant** drove up from Burke, Va., with Nancy and **Christine Trum Lupi '87** from Wyckoff, N.J., and **Karen Stepsus '86** from Morris Plains, N.J. **Donna Hemme DeSousa '84** drove from Wappingers Falls, N.Y., **Lee Ann Penfield Mistretta '86** had the shortest trip from New Canaan, Conn., and **Suz Lindsley Stiles** from Watchung, N.J., met the group there. They spent hours catching up, sharing pictures and enjoying some amazing food, especially the DG cookies that Lee Ann baked and decorated. Suz surprised them all with beautiful wine glasses engraved with anchors. They were sorry that **Diane Parrish Hibbard '84**, **Susan Chiavetta Perun '84** and **Diane Horris Holden '84** couldn't join them.

Please send updates so our classmates know what is going on in your life! — C.R.T.

1986

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Ted Christiansen writes: "I was saddened to read of the death of **Liz Mattson**. Liz was a manager on the wrestling team and sadly nobody has been able to find any more information about her. I notified the wrestling coach and he is going to include a write-up about Liz in the next wrestling newsletter. We are also encouraging wrestlers to make donations to Bucknell in Liz's memory, and it may be nice to ask the members of the Class of '86 to do the same."

Note: Liz's obituary appeared in the Fall 2014 issue of Bucknell Magazine.

Ted and Donna's daughter Liz is teaching in Alexandria, Va. Their son Colin is a junior at Mount St. Mary's, and their daughter Madison is a junior in high school. After considering Bucknell, Colin accepted an offer to play softball for Butler University.

Lynn Moyer Marks, her husband and two children are living in Hendersonville, N.C., where she works for PwC in their learning and development department as a project manager. When she is not working, she's either running (she just completed the Dopey Challenge at Walt Disney World — that's a 5k on Thursday, a 10k on Friday, a half marathon on Saturday and a full marathon on Sunday) or chauffeuring her kids around. That duty, however, has gotten a little easier as her oldest got her license. Now she worries instead of driving. Lynn doesn't meet many Bucknellians in western North Carolina, but she did get a 'ray Bucknell at a triathlon last summer in Waynesville, N.C., when someone saw her license plate.

Facebook is a great way to keep up with classmates and friends. **Amy Lang Simms** messaged me a nice article about a class reporter who

was 100 and still chronicling his three remaining classmates' lives for Dartmouth! I hope to be doing the same for the next 50 years — what can I say?

Amy notes that her son Harrison just graduated from Warren Wilson College, the "coolest and probably the most organic and interesting college in North Carolina." He had four majors. Her daughter Maud is a sophomore at the University of Pennsylvania and loves city life.

Join fellow Class of '86 members on our Facebook page — it's the only place on the internet to see photos of the infamous Clyde Peeling Reptile Band from our last Reunion. And guess what? It's time to start thinking about our next Reunion! — J.D.C.

1987

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Our class has been quiet for some time. I know everyone is busy but if you have news you would like to share, please send it to me. I would love to hear from you!

Martha Seitchek Patterson moved into a new role as director of publisher services and strategic media at Intermarkets, an online advertising sales management and new media company. She has been at Intermarkets for more than 10 years. She enjoys being able to work from home in Maryland. Martha regularly gets together with classmates **Kara Harmon Ebert** and **Charlene Long Sendatch**. Several years ago, her family joined their local chapter of the Izaak Walton League, where she is on the board of directors. She has also taken up fishing and become a USA Archery level 1 archery instructor. — L.C.H.

1988

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I hope everyone is doing well! I spent a weekend in Manhattan in January and came home with a broken leg. The result? I have been non-weight-bearing for eight weeks (so far) and am spending a lot more time on Facebook, reconnecting with Bucknellians. Before the trip, I went on another side trip to Lancaster, Pa., to visit **Kathy Pandelidis Granbois** and her family: husband Mike and kids Teddy, Luke, Sophie and Kirk. We had a great time and the kids did too!

In other news, I am thrilled to add P'19 after my name, as my daughter has been accepted to the Bucknell Class of 2019. I gave her a Bison cookie cutter for the holidays (check out the pics on Facebook) and she gave me a mug that says "Bucknell Mom." Love it.

By the way, did you know that 'ray Bucknell is a ring-tone? Download it today at bucknell.edu/ringtones! — S.V.P.

1989

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Christopher Bailey was named a vice president of infrastructure firm Gannett Fleming and manager of the firm's geotechnical section. Christopher is based in Harrisburg, Pa., and manages and provides technical review of geotechnical activities, including foundation recommendations for rail, bridge and highway projects; dam and earth structure designs; groundwater studies; and hazardous waste investigations. He's also been a guest lecturer

at Bucknell and conducted a geotechnical investigation training program for the NYC Department of Environmental Protection.

1990

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Make those hotel reservations — our 25th Reunion is right around the corner! See everyone there! — L.M.O.

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Matthew Haverstick, a partner in the law firm of Conrad O'Brien, was part of a team of partners and associates who represented Pennsylvania

Senator Jake Corman in a suit against the NCAA regarding its sanctions against Penn State University.

The NCAA's \$60 million penalty against Penn State in the NCAA-PSU Consent Decree required a state-supported university to send a substantial sum of state-sourced money out of Pennsylvania. After two years of fending off several challenges to the suit, the firm negotiated a settlement on Senator Corman's behalf. The settlement resulted in the NCAA repealing the consent decree and in Penn State agreeing to remit \$48 million to an endowment in the state treasury that will benefit child sex abuse prevention causes for years to come. — L.B.B. and L.M.S.

1993

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Class of '93, since none of you had anything to report for this quarter, you force me to talk about myself. Here is my punishment to you: My kids are going up so fast. Max and Rocky, nearly 3, are bundles of energy and fur. Yes, fur, because they are my cats. I've also started teaching in the counseling psychology program at Johnson & Wales University. Can you imagine me training future mental health counselors? The field may never recover. But enough about me — if you would rather not hear about my mundane life, send me stuff! Your move, Class of 1993. — C.Z.

1994

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Michael Shirk was named CEO of High Companies, the largest private company in Lancaster County, Pa. The group's businesses include steel and precast concrete manufacturing and ownership of 13 hotels. Michael was formerly vice president of architectural specialties worldwide at Armstrong World Industries.

1998

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Melissa Rovers married Andrew Harke on Sept. 7, 2013, among family and friends near her hometown in beautiful Skytop, Pa. Other Bucknellians in attendance included bridesmaid **Sarah Kukanskis Hardwick '97**, Andrew's cousin **Susan Archer Lattman '90** and friends **Jenny Kissinger Beshere '95**, **Jennifer Leeper Hancock '95**, **Dawn Traver Muir** and **Paul Muir**. Melissa and Andrew reside in Washington, D.C.

Andrew Basney, a certified public accountant, was named a member/partner of Topel Forman in Chicago. — H.M.L.

1999

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Paul Avery was elected a member of the law firm Bond, Schoeneck & King in Syracuse, N.Y. Paul is a business law attorney who provides counsel to individuals and businesses in the manufacturing, retail, software, information technology, energy and other sectors as well as to non-profit institutions such as colleges and universities, hospitals and nursing homes in a broad range of business and transactional matters. — L.Z.

2000

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In November, **Pete Kadens**, president of SoCore Energy, was featured in an article in *Chicago Crain's Business* highlighting his work with Chicago's homeless community. Pete, along with his wife, Amy, and their family have served Thanksgiving meals to the homeless in Chicago for many years. He is also on the board of two nonprofits that connect homeless to job opportunities.

Mustafa Ostrander married Katie Blitzer on July 5, 2014, in beautiful Salida, Colo. As skiing fanatics, the couple naturally went looking for snow on their honeymoon, which took them to the Chilean Andes in August. The Ostrandersons live in Golden, Colo., and would love to catch up with any alumni living in the area. Mustafa is the assistant general counsel and chief

AN INDIE FILM FOR THE MASSES

Theo Avgerinos' '00 directorial debut was a dramatic war picture.

The film was shot outside his boyhood home with his father's 8mm camera and his sixth-grade friends serving as the cast. Later the young filmmaker would replay the footage on his TV and re-film it to give it a "vintage, Vietnam War-era" look. Sound clips of gunfire poached from *The Terminator* supplied the audio effects.

He carried his passion for filmmaking through high school and eventually to Bucknell, where he designed his own interdepartmental cinema/film studies degree, co-founded a student-run production company and launched an annual student film festival.

Landing that first post-Bucknell gig, though, required starting at the bottom of the movie business. Soon after graduation, Avgerinos followed up on a newspaper ad looking for unpaid pre-production interns on the set of the film *Empire* — a gritty New York City drama featuring John Leguizamo and Peter Sarsgaard. He arrived to interview at 5 p.m. and was asked if he was ready to work. Avgerinos immediately clocked in, running a 6 a.m.–midnight schedule from then on, sweeping floors, taking out the trash and doing odd errands. "I saw that it was a test," says Avgerinos. He distanced himself from the grouching intern pack and focused on efficiency. A month in, he was offered a paid gig.

He eventually landed in the director's seat, starting with an independent short film and progressing to *50 Pills* — a comedy starring Kristen Bell and Jane Lynch. His latest film, *Americans*, is a dramatic look at the high-flying players behind the subprime mortgage crisis. The independent movie had the most popular trailer on iTunes for a few weeks in January, and — after a red-carpet Hollywood opening — was shown at select AMC theaters nationwide. Less than 1 percent of indie films ever get distribution, says Avgerinos. "And only a fraction of those get a theater deal. It puts us in this tiny category."

For the film, it was a Hollywood ending that betrayed its decidedly unglamorous production. "As an indie, budget restrictions apply to every aspect. We weren't waking up in massive trailers," he says. Some scenes were shot at the actors' homes, occasionally drawing the ire of neighbors. Avgerinos even worked the role of an extra, filling in in the background.

The hardest part for Avgerinos came after all the shooting wrapped, when he had to piece the whole film together from 40 hours of footage. He wouldn't imagine complaining, though. "The one thing that you have to remind yourself of when you're in the fog of the edit, when you just can't see where the film will land, is that you do this because you love it. You have to bring that little kid out in you."

And sometimes that's easy — like when Avgerinos found himself sitting in front of a 100-foot screen, mixing the sound on *Americans* in the same sound studio where the latest *Transformers* movie was mixed. "Those are the moments," he says. "It's the total thrill that I got toying around with the 8mm camera in 6th grade." — Dan Morrell



of intellectual property law. She has extensive experience with trademark maintenance and enforcement. She has particular experience representing clients' trademark interests in China. She was named chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Intellectual Property Section. She is a 2005 graduate of Franklin Pierce Law Center, where she earned both a J.D. and a master's in intellectual property. — H.P.A.

2002

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Tommy Marks won two major blind golf tournaments in the B3 category. He participated in the match play in the American Blind Golf Tournament in Wadsworth, Ohio, and the Medal American Blind Golf Tournament in San Antonio, Texas. His father, **Bob Marks '67**, was proud to be his coach. Tommy hopes to defend these titles in 2015 and also to play in the Canadian Cup Ryder format tournament in July in Nova Scotia.

Jennifer Marino Thibodaux was named a director in the business & commercial litigation department in the Newark office of Gibbons P.C. She represents companies in commercial matters and consumer class action lawsuits and has experience defending class action lawsuits involving consumer fraud and consumer product claims.

John and Emma Stefanski Godfrey are thrilled to announce the birth of their daughter, Violet Stefania. John is a criminal defense attorney with the Legal Aid Society and Emma is a senior custody specialist with Warburg Pincus Private Equity. John, Emma and Violet live in Brooklyn, N.Y., with their dog and cat.

Dwayne and Jennifer Zalewski Wint welcomed the arrival of their third daughter,

compliance officer of Tallgrass Energy Partners, LP, and Katie is a marketing professional for KIND Healthy Snacks.

After a move to State College, Pa., in June 2013 for new jobs and a new home, Kari and **Steve Williamson** welcomed a new baby on Aug. 13. Steve, Kari and big brother Parker welcomed Aubrey Nicole, 7 pounds, 13 ounces. Steve writes, "If only there was time to relax."

Jon and Kerri Searles Adams welcomed daughter, Eleanor Wells, on April 20, 2014. She joins Jack, 7, and Megan, 4. Jon and Kerri live in Clarence, N.Y.

Allyson and **Mark Coppin** welcomed their first child, Addison Grace, on Aug. 21, 2014. They reside in Chicago.

Patrick and **Maura Narog Regan** welcomed their first son, Finn Patrick, on Nov. 10, 2014. They live in Wayne, Pa. — A.B.O.

2001

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Christiane Schuman Campbell was promoted to firm partnership of Duane Morris LLP. Christiane practices in the area

Zoe Skye, on Oct. 19, 2014. Big sisters Olivia, 6, and Alexis, 3, love playing with their new little sister. — M.P.

2003

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Thad Miller and his wife, Britt Crow-Miller, live in Portland, Ore., with their daughter Zadie (born in December 2012). They are both assistant professors at Portland State University, where Thad is in the School of Urban Studies and Planning. He just published his first book, *Reconstructing Sustainability Science: Knowledge and Action for a Sustainable Future*.

Amanda Sundquist and her husband, Michael Mariani, welcomed Charlotte Elaine Mariani on Nov. 3, 2014. Her parents think she is just perfect!

Calvin and **Joy Dickson Shih** welcomed their son Micah on May 15, 2014.

Richard and Monique Boley Alexander '05 welcomed a new daughter, Ruby Delilah, on Dec. 23, 2014.

Stephanie Goss writes, "On Oct. 18 I had the great pleasure of attending the wedding of **Andrea Dill** and **Parker Terril '05** in Tarrytown, N.Y. Bucknellians in the wedding party were **Melinda Kummer Rubinstein '05**, a bridesmaid, and the groom's sister **Brienne Terril**. **Adam Dusenbury '04** served as the best man and **Andrew Burkholder '04** and **Christopher Edwards '04** were groomsmen. Other guests included **Kristi Cashman Burkholder '06**, **Stephen '04** and **Marissa Miller Alexander '04**. **Jamison '05** and **Meiko Katsuta Wolf '06**, **Brad '05** and **Kelly Colgan Van Schooneveld '05**, **Matthew Beyel '06**, **Mustafa Hermanstyne '04**, **Robert DeFina '04**, **Rory '04** and **Annie Greenspun Berger '05**, **Lauren Young Seigel '04**, **Jason Rubinstein '04**, **Michelle Dombeck '05**, **Aaron Bates** and **Cara**

Anderman Dame-Brusie. As requested by the lovely couple, all guests left fat and happy."

Dan Morel writes, "I've started a doctoral program at University of Missouri-Kansas City, though I still direct the Hartford Independent Chamber Orchestra in Connecticut, and encourage anyone near Hartford to check out our concerts. It would be great to connect with Bucknellians in the Kansas City area."

Cristina DiMaria married Shane Salisbury, of Whitefish, Mont., on July 19, 2014, in Keystone, Colo. Several Bucknellians were in attendance, including bridesmaid **Jenny DeRita Heaton** as well as **Andrew** and **Alicia DeFail Baumberger**, **Ethan** and **Kristen Barton Eyler** and **Hannah Young LeCount**. — P.N.J.

2004

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2005

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Bucknell Magazine is searching for a reporter for the Class of '05. Please contact us if you are interested. Please direct your news for the next issue to classnotes@bucknell.edu or Class Notes, *Bucknell Magazine*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

Leanne Meriton is engaged to Gerard Viola. They recently realized that although they did not meet until 2013, they were at the same Jimmie's Chicken Shack concert at Phi Kappa Psi in 2002, where Gerard was visiting a friend! Some 11 years later, fate brought them to a restaurant in Astoria, N.Y., and the rest is history.

2006

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Christine Howard married Forbes Barber in Marblehead, Mass., on June 14, 2014. Her bridesmaids included **Meredith Cutting McLoughlin** and **Christine Gallagher Lambrecht**. In attendance were Bucknell alumni **Vita Lamberson**, **Katie LaPorta**, **Andrew** and **Kelly Ferroni Trese**, **Chris '05** and **Tracy Rifkin Nicholas '05**, **Travis '04** and **Amy Curlett Martin '03**, **M'06**, **Adam '05** and **Heather Shaw Clark '05**, **Ashley Shaw '08**, **Cheryl Cooper Shaw '73**, **Phil '72** and **Susan Latimer Curlett '73**, and of course, Christine's brother, **Scott Howard '03**, and mother, **Lynne Cooper Howard '73**. **Carrie Ledgerwood Pulliam** toasted from Nashville, Tenn. Christine and Forbes reside in Boston. Christine works in fundraising for the nonprofit Year Up. Forbes works in private wealth management.

Ryan and **Bethany Iero Wise** welcomed with love their baby Bison on June 22, 2014. Hadley Rose weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was born in Baltimore, Md. She is a joy and they are so in love. — J.S.

2007

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Dan Mayo and **Emilie Hardinge '09** are engaged to be married. Dan proposed to Emilie on Jan. 1 in Seattle, Wash., and they plan to marry in summer 2016. The couple lives in Shanghai, China.

2008

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Kimberly Kane married Mac

Morgan on New Year's Eve 2014 in Gwynedd, Pa. **Dave Allen '06** and I were there and joined the celebration with **Dan** and **Denise Peterson Anderson**, **Kat Morgan**, **Stephanie Consoli**, **Andrew Shea** and **Dallas Mellott**, as well as Bucknell employees **Kate Christensen** and **Kim Schon**. **Kimberly** and **Mac** moved to Newtown Square, Pa. **Kimberly** is the admissions coordinator for graduate business programs at Villanova University, where she is also pursuing her master's in communications.

Chad and **Lauren Teschemacher Glasser** welcomed their son, **Brandon William**, into the world on Christmas Day.

Lauren writes that they are very happy and proud parents!

Andre Anderson moved to San Juan, Puerto Rico, to help start a hedge fund. — L.C.A.

2009

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Amy Bruno married **Alex Leo** in Washington, D.C., on Jan. 24. **Amy's** grandparents **Spencer '54** and **Elise Mueller Bruno '55** attended the wedding. The couple got engaged by the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal in the Georgetown neighborhood in D.C. on July 12, 2014.

Alex Bird is in his first year of the MBA program at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Ashley Behre got engaged the weekend before Christmas 2014 to **Gabe Munoz**. They met in law school at Hofstra University and are excited for a fall 2016 wedding.

In 2014, **Margaret Graham** was promoted to program coordinator at the International Network for the Conservation of Contemporary Art-North America and became an assistant art editor for the *Brooklyn Rail*. She will also

THE BIG BASH

After the flutter of tweets that would follow Beck's surprise win for Album of the Year and Kanye's second storming of the stage in defense of Beyoncé, the stars at the 2015 Grammy Awards hitched up their gowns, let loose their bow ties and streamed out of the Staples Center en route to the Los Angeles Convention Center, where **Abby Borden '08** was waiting.

As event coordinator for Along Came Mary, the event production company that put on the Recording Academy's official Grammy after-party, Borden had spent the day hiking back and forth across a room the length of three football fields, ensuring that everything was as it should be — that Jessie J had her favorite British "choccies," which she requested in her rider prior to her performance at the event; that Gloria Gaynor had the specialty water Borden's team had hunted down that morning; that the 400 servers wouldn't go asking for autographs; and that the 50 buffets were ready and waiting for food from around the globe in keeping with the "Passport to the World" theme. There would be high-end comfort food from ribs to corn on the cob, extravagant dishes like Mediterranean couscous and citrus shrimp skewers, and rich desserts ranging from baklava to Mississippi mud pie. Then there were the dozens of bars throughout the center, "to keep everyone happy," she says.

Borden is used to rubbing elbows with the stars. She's been working on the Grammy after-party for six years in a number of roles, and truth be told, she barely notices when stars like Madonna, Taylor Swift or Sam Smith come waitzng through the door. What concerns this ultimate organizer more are the moments she can't prepare for, inevitable snafus that crop up when 5,000 people show up ready to party, like the time a few years back when a guest tried to take a flower from a centerpiece, causing the whole thing to come crashing down. But this year's epic bash saw no such catastrophe.

Borden says it was the perfect way to end her run with Along Came Mary prior to assuming a producer role with another event production company, Honeysweet Productions, for which she interned when she first made the trek to L.A. from Lewisburg. You might think she would take a day off between gigs, but there's no time, says Borden, who designed her own major, management in the arts, while at Bucknell. Her next major event with Honeysweet will be planning and pulling off the World Indoor Lacrosse Championship, just six months away. — *Maureen Harmon*



2010

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Christine Reilly's first novel will be published in April 2016 by Simon & Schuster! She started work on it when she was at Bucknell. She got her MFA at Sarah Lawrence and then taught at the Professional Children's School, Collegiate School and City and Country School in NYC. She teaches at the Dalton School, and also teaches writing at the University Settlement. Christine lives in Manhattan.

Brett Carey and Allie FitzPatrick were married on Oct. 3, 2014. They met on the first day of Orientation and were next-door neighbors on Smith 3C during their first year. They were members of the swim and diving team for all four years at Bucknell. The celebration included many Bucknellians and their wedding party included **Meghan FitzPatrick '12** (Allie's younger sister), **Megan Mongan, Becky Bersani, Eliza Massie, Ryan Keys, Peter Mugno and David Iselin.** Brett and Allie live in Conshohocken, Pa., where she is a product manager at SEI Investments and he is a project manager at Affiliated Distributors. — R.Q.

2011

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Kathleen Janosco graduated from the University of Pittsburgh accelerated second degree bachelor's in nursing program, adding to her already prestigious bachelor's in neuroscience from Bucknell. She has accepted a position with the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in a joint neurological and neurosurgical unit. A more compassionate and empathetic nurse will be hard to come by. Congratulations, Kathleen!

have an essay published in the exhibition catalogue for the show *Alex Katz: This is Now* at the High Museum in Atlanta.

In June 2014, **Karen Benton** married Dave Miller. Both are lawyers and live in Somerville, N.J. **Rebecca Cottrell Bentzen** and **Erin Wolfe** were bridesmaids. Karen's parents **Jeff '78** and **Wendy Larson Benton '79** were also in attendance.

Jim and Katie Ford Ritter welcomed a girl, Grace Noelle, to their family on Jan. 11.

Allyson Haseltine married Ryan Sullivan on March 28, 2014, on a ranch outside Austin, Texas. Family of the bride include her parents **Rob**

P'09 and **Robin Peterman Haseltine '76**, and **Jamie '07** and **Debbie Sandler Haseltine '08**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Tracey Wright '07**, **Karen Grabowski Heger '07**, **Chris Plein '08**, **Rachel Sherbill**, **Alex Fredas** and **Sarah Hallowell Plein**. Ally and Ryan live in Houston, where Ally is a senior course leader and teaches 7th-grade English for YES Prep and Ryan is the senior policy advisor for the Harris County Sheriff's Office.

Doug Buckley is getting married on March 21 to Colleen Hanley. Doug's groomsmen include **Mike Cooke, Billy Haire, Joe Mele** and **John Togneri**.

Lauren Krznaric married Daniel Taylor in October 2014 in Sandy Spring, Md. Members of the wedding party included **Ellen Peeples, Meaghan McNamara** and **Kelly Bates**. Lauren and Dan reside in Washington, D.C. — S.K.

Dan Mayo '07 and **Emilie Hardinge** are engaged. Dan proposed to Emilie on Jan. 1 in Seattle, Wash., and they plan to marry in summer 2016. The couple lives in Shanghai, China.

I'm sure you have all been waiting with bated breath for this next bit of exciting life advancement. After months of soliciting, **Toby Comer** has successfully submitted a piece of news that is both verifiable and *Bucknell Magazine* appropriate. Without further ado: Toby is gearing up to face his old high school nemesis, the SAT exam, in a spring battle at Ramapo High School. He will be participating in the five-hour ordeal as a result of a football wager among friends. He asks for your well wishes and prayers in advance. We wish Toby good luck and congratulate him on making it back to high school! 'Ray Ramapo? — L.M.

2012

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Hi Class of 2012! This year has been reaping good news again for all of us. And if you have more news to send me (it makes everyone happy to hear it), please tap over a note to sb051@bucknell.edu.

Drew and Theresa Narus Stonesifer had a baby, Ivy Elise, just at the turn of the new year on Jan. 3. "She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and is overtaking our hearts and Facebook walls," Drew said.

Katie Coney married **John Hennessy '11** and shared the day with many Bucknellians, including her maid of honor, **Heather Parmelee**, bridesmaid **Reina Brenn '13**, best man **Phil Perilstein '11** and groomsmen **Evan Ewald '11**, **Sean Eagan '11** and **Mike Ewen '11**.

Ashley Avilleira is getting married in October!

Marie Chardon moved to Gainesville, Fla., to pursue her doctoral degree in clinical health and psychology at the University of Florida. She's concentrating in pediatric psychology with an emphasis on

childhood obesity prevention.

Luke Joyner and **Christina Connell** are in Charlotte, N.C. They have adopted a pit bull — and they named him Bucky.

It was exciting to reconvene with classmates in New York after **Molly Burke '10** messaged me to help out with a fundraiser for her and **Muyambi Muyambi's Bicycles Against Poverty**, which started at Bucknell. A group that included **Odeke Ekirapa**, **Steve Dorsey '11**, **Charlie Kreitler**, **Matt Goll**, **Alyssa Haglund** and **Zaf Kamar '09** convened to raise money to send bikes to Uganda, and I hope you all will join me in helping promote their efforts wherever you are. It was inspiring to see Bucknellians band together and to see how much the organization has grown.

More and more, I've also run into Bucknell folks in NYC, and even at the office. Around the same time that **Izzy Catalano '13** was hired to Bloomberg L.P., so was **Katie Golub '13**. And before that, **Matt Stevens '13**, **Billy Krause '13** and **Brett Carr '13** were hired as well. I hope to run into more of you soon and to hear more about where you're at and what you're doing, whether in NYC, on travels or just online. Happy 2015, all! — S.B.

2013

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Happy New Year to all! Although I know it will be spring when you get this issue, I don't want to miss the opportunity to wish you all a great 2015. I just returned from a recruiting trip to Bucknell and was impressed by the students' resumes and interviewing skills. It is quite an experience to be on the "other side of the desk," but Bucknell students make it a breeze. If you have not done so yet, check out a local Bucknell alumni club event this year to meet new friends and reconnect with old ones. And don't forget to send your updates so I can share!

I am delighted to report that **Lindsay Coffee** and **Tyler Campbell '12** wed on Aug. 9, 2014, at the beautiful Colonial Pines in Lewisburg, Pa. What an honor it was to attend their heartwarming outdoor ceremony, and such an awesome excuse to spend a weekend at Bucknell. The wedding took place just a few miles from campus — and even fewer miles from where Lindsay and Tyler actually met! Five members of the wedding party were Bucknellians: **Jennifer Weber**, **Melissa Palmer**, **Wallis Gaillard '15**, **Peter Davis '12** and **Matthew Cherevka**, and Bucknellians from the Class of 1977 all the way up through 2016 were present. Lindsay and Tyler are settling into married life in Tennessee, where they live in a suburb of Nashville. Tyler works as a resins process engineer and Lindsay works in television as a producer for the Fox affiliate in Nashville. Lindsay is starting her own photography business. Best wishes and a happy life to this newly formed Bucknell family! — M.Z.

2014

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Hello again, Bucknell family! Still in our first year away from campus, the Class of 2014 has been up to some pretty amazing things.

Erin Roy began graduate school at the Penn State College of Medicine physician assistant program in Hershey, Pa., on May 19, just one day after graduation! Since then, she has received her white coat and become close friends with her 30 classmates. In May she will begin clinical rotations in the Hershey area, and she plans to graduate in May 2016.

Jen Gerard was accepted to the Massachusetts General Hospital Institute of Health Professions physician assistant program. She will move to Boston in May to begin this

next exciting chapter alongside **Chrissy Cornish '13**.

Emily Schreiner kicked off her teaching career in Fairfax County, Va. She teaches 25 first grade students in her quaint, colorful classroom at Lemon Road Elementary. Her students are from all different backgrounds and cultures, and she is hard at work helping them improve their reading abilities. Emily enjoys reuniting with Chi Omega sisters in the area, such as **Meg Wightman**, a first grade teacher in Prince George's County, and **Alexandra Russell**, a fifth grade teacher in Arlington.

As always, please send me your updates so we can keep up with the all of the great things happening! — A.K.

IN MEMORIAM

1940

Charles Bernhart P'67, Monroeville, Pa., on Jan. 26. A member of Kappa Sigma, he was an electrical engineer for U.S. Steel. Survivors include two daughters, including **Alexis Bernhart Lassow '67**; five grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Kathryn Weaver Linthurst, Mechanicsburg, Pa., on Jan. 6. She taught business English at the high school and college levels, and owned and operated the Linthurst Gift Shop and Faye Lin Apparel in Milton, Pa. She was predeceased by her husband, **Troy Linthurst '51**. Survivors include a daughter, a granddaughter and two great-grandchildren.

1942

Robert Donehower, Lewisburg, Pa., on Jan. 13. He served in the Army Corps of Engineers during WWII. He owned and operated the W.L. Donehower sporting goods store on

Market Street in Lewisburg, a family business, and served two terms as a commissioner of Union County, Pa. He was a philanthropist supporting many organizations in the Lewisburg area, including Evangelical Community Hospital and Lewisburg Borough. Survivors include a brother and a sister.

Norman Mann, Franklin Park, Pa., on Dec. 5, 2014. He served in the Navy during WWII, and was a civil engineer for U.S. Steel. Survivors include four children, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Danforth Richardson, Vero Beach, Fla., on Dec. 17, 2014. A member of Phi Gamma Delta and men's tennis, he served in the Army during WWII. He helped expand his father-in-law's citrus grove business into the Gracewood Fruit Company, and was a past chairman of the Florida Citrus Commission. He also made forays in the cattle ranching, restaurant and real estate industries. He was involved in the founding and early days of several community organizations, and started a scholarship foundation. He was predeceased by his wife, **Marjorie Hopwood Richardson '43**. Survivors include three daughters, nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

1943

Norene Bond Benton, Birchrunville, Pa., on Dec. 1, 2014. A member of Delta Delta Delta, she was a nursery school teacher. She was predeceased by her husband, **Earle Benton '40**; and a brother, **Victor Bond '49**. Survivors include six children, nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

1944

J. Augustus Cadwallader, Wayzata, Minn., on Jan. 1. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, Concern and Action, the football team and men's track and field, he served in the Navy

during WWII and attended naval training programs at St. Olaf College and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He also attended Penn State University. He worked for Ralston Purina as a district sales manager, for Fredrick Herfurth Real Estate as a manager/broker and for Edina Realty as a realtor. Survivors include his wife, five children, eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

John DeBarr, Riverside, Calif., on Dec. 28, 2014. A member of Sigma Chi, Concern and Action, men's soccer, men's track and field and the Navy V-12 Program, he earned a J.D. from George Washington University Law School. He served in the Marines, where he reached the rank of brigadier general and was staff judge advocate to the commandant, and was a professor emeritus at California Western School of Law. Survivors include his wife, four stepdaughters and 15 grandchildren.

Anna Fetterman Gutekunst, Gainesville, Fla., on Nov. 29, 2014. She was active in community organizations in the Gainesville area. Survivors include her husband, three children, four granddaughters and four great-granddaughters.

Margaret Snyder Reid, Rockville, Md., on Jan. 21. She earned a master's from the University of Maryland. She was a teacher in Knoxville, Tenn., and Rockville, as well as an author, primarily of children's books, and a fibers artist. She was predeceased by her husband, **John Reid '45**. Survivors include a daughter and two grandsons.

Marjorie Storey Reinaker, Danville, Pa., on Nov. 6, 2014. A member of Band, she worked as a medical technologist at Danville State Hospital and Geisinger Medical Center. Survivors include three children, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Page Whitmore, Oak Heights, Minn., on Dec. 14, 2014. A member of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the Navy V-12 Program and Pi Mu

Epsilon mathematics honor society, he served in the Navy during WWII and in the Naval Reserve. He was an electrical engineer for General Electric and director of marketing research for 3M. He was also an independent consultant. Survivors include his wife, four children and six grandchildren.

Burr Williamson P'73, P'77, Morristown, N.J., on Dec. 7, 2014. A member of Sigma Chi, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Phi Eta Sigma first-year honor society, he served in the Navy during WWII. He worked for M.F. Bank and Co., and in retirement was a train conductor at Walt Disney World. He was predeceased by his former wife, **Sylvia Cliffe Williamson '45**. Survivors include his second wife; three children, including **Deirdre Williamson Benson '73** and **Debra Williamson Loupos '77**; three stepsons; seven grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

1946

Jack Engelhardt, Amherst, Ohio, on Dec. 1, 2014. He served in the Navy during WWII, and also attended Columbia University and graduated from Ohio State University. He worked for US Steel in Lorain, Ohio, retiring as superintendent. Survivors include four daughters, two grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and a step-great-granddaughter.

Betty Holifield Feldmann P'73, Annapolis, Md., on Aug. 10, 2013. She was a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society and Theta Alpha Phi dramatics honor society. Survivors include five sons, including **Robert Feldmann '73**; 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Paul Layden, Fairview, Pa., on Nov. 29, 2014. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Band and Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society, he graduated from Jefferson Medical College. He served as captain with the Army Medical Corps in Fort

Dix, N.J., and was an orthopedic surgeon at St. Vincent Hospital and founding member of Orthopaedic Surgeons, Inc., both in Erie, Pa. He was predeceased by his wife, **Mary Henderson Layden '46**. Survivors include five children, eight grandchildren and two great-granddaughters.

1947

Mildred Valentine Painter, Queensbury, N.Y., on Jan. 16. A member of Cap and Dagger, she worked at Grumman Aircraft building fighter planes during WWII. She worked at Oak Ridge National Laboratory in nuclear research; for Perkin Elmer Laboratories, where she worked on the Hubble Space Telescope; and as a nuclear medicine technician. She was predeceased by her husband, **Robert Painter '48**. Survivors include five children, 10 grandchildren and a great-grandson.

1948

Anthony Krzywicki P'82, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., on Nov. 13, 2014. A member of Phi Lambda Theta and Interfraternity Council, he served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, and earned a master's from Columbia University. He was one of the founding faculty members of Dutchess Community College in Poughkeepsie, where he headed the secretarial science program and the business technologies department and helped develop and run the college bookstore. A plaza on the Dutchess campus was dedicated in his honor. He also worked as an assistant professor at Bucknell and as a consultant for IBM. Survivors include his wife, **Sarah VanSise Krzywicki '46**; three sons, including **Van Krzywicki '82**; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Jeanne Grice Reichley, Endicott, N.Y., on Dec. 27, 2014. A member of Pi Beta Phi, she

worked for First Albany Corp. She was predeceased by her first husband and by her brother, **Herbert Grice '48**. Survivors include her husband, a daughter and two grandchildren.

Gordon Spencer, Plainsboro, N.J., on Jan. 21. A member of Sigma Alpha Mu, he served in the Coast Guard, and earned a master's from Vanderbilt University. He worked for Spencer Industries, a family business, and eventually became its president. He also raised, trained and judged show horses. Survivors include his wife, two daughters and four grandchildren.

1949

Alfred Borelli, Westport, Mass., on Nov. 15, 2014. A member of Chorale and the Navy V-12 Program, he served in the Navy during WWII. He earned a master's from Brown University and studied piano at the New England Conservancy of Music, and was a teacher in Massachusetts and Rhode Island schools. He also performed music on a Providence television station, was the proprietor of Old Bedford Clockworks in Fall River, Mass., and drew political cartoons. Survivors include two sisters.

Harris Boyce, Whitehall, Pa., on Dec. 18, 2014. A member of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, he served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, and earned a master's from the University of Pittsburgh. He was an electrical engineer for Duquesne Light Co., and volunteered at the VA Hospital in Pittsburgh. Survivors include three children, six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Henry Dyer, Williamsport, Pa., on Dec. 31, 2014. He served in the Army during WWII and earned three Bronze Stars. He attended Dickinson Seminary (now Lycoming College) and earned a master's and Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. He was a professor of English at Radford University. Survivors include his sister.

Jerrold Gearhart P'71, Fairport, N.Y., on Dec. 25, 2014. He served in the Marines during WWII and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross. He worked for Eastman Kodak in the color print and processing division. Survivors include his wife; four children, including **Jerrold Gearhart '71**; and many grandchildren.

Frederick Ling, New York, N.Y., on Nov. 8, 2014. A member of Phi Lambda Theta, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, *Engineer* magazine, men's swimming and diving, Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics honor society and Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society, he earned a bachelor's from St. John's University in Shanghai, China, and a master's and doctorate from Carnegie Institute of Technology. He was a professor of mathematics and mechanical engineering at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Columbia University and the University of Texas at Austin. He wrote and edited more than 100 scientific publications and numerous books and led research projects for the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, NASA, the National Science Foundation, Ford Motor Company, General Electric and IBM. He received the Senior Postdoctoral Fellow Award from the National Science Foundation, was named to the National Academy of Engineering and received the Achievement in a Chosen Profession Award from Bucknell in 1980. Survivors include his wife, three children and four grandchildren.

Robert Mertz, Watsonstown, Pa., on Nov. 7, 2014. He served in the Navy during WWII. He worked on his family's farm, at Mertz's Greenhouses and as an inspector for the USDA. Survivors include his former wife, three sons, two stepsons and grandchildren.

Albert Stratton, Wyomissing, Pa., on Nov. 21, 2014. He served in the Navy during WWII, and earned a master's and Ph.D. from Case Western Reserve University. He was director

of psychological services at Wernersville State Hospital and an associate professor of psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine.

1950

Donald Armstrong, Williamsport, Pa., on Jan. 21. A member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he served in the Army during WWII, and was awarded the Silver Star. He worked for GTE Sylvania, where he directed a team of engineers working on camera flashbulb products and was recognized with 27 patents. Survivors include his wife, three children and three grandchildren.

Rev. William Boli, Saginaw, Mich., on Dec. 14, 2014. A member of Cap and Dagger, he completed the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh Tutorial Program and also attended Virginia Theological Seminary. He worked for Edgar Thompson Works and U.S. Steel before he was ordained an Episcopal priest. He served at churches and missions in Pittsburgh, Chicago and Saginaw. A civil rights advocate, he also took part in protests during the 1960s, including those in Selma, Ala., and was arrested twice during protests in Chicago. Survivors include his wife, three children, 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Emilie Fritz Coots, Canton, N.Y., on Jan. 10. A member of Alpha Kappa Delta sociology honor society, Association of Sociology Students and Cap and Dagger, she graduated from Keystone College and earned a master's from Teachers College, Columbia University. She worked as a claims adjuster for Liberty Mutual Insurance and as a probation officer, acting director of probation and probation supervisor for St. Lawrence County, N.Y. She was also a mediator for the Northern New York Center for Conflict Resolution. Survivors include her former husband, **Max Coots '50**; three sons;

and five grandchildren.

Richard French, Manchester, Vt., on Dec. 14, 2014. A member of Cap and Dagger and Theta Alpha Phi dramatics honor society, he served in the Army during WWII and was awarded a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. He worked in the entertainment industry, including as a writer for the *Steve Allen Show*. He was predeceased by his wife.

William Gelslechter, Kingston, N.Y., on Nov. 11, 2014. A member of American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he served in the Army during WWII. He earned a master's from the University of Maryland, and worked as an engineer for IBM. Survivors include his wife, two sons, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Ferdinand Pflug, Hoboken, N.J., on Jan. 23. He served in the Marines during WWII and the Korean War. He was a fire protection engineer for Hamlin Insurance and for the U.S. General Services Administration. Survivors include his wife, three children and four grandchildren.

Anthony Russo, Orange, Conn., on Nov. 8, 2014. A member of Lambda Chi Alpha, Cap and Dagger and Concern and Action, he served in the Army as a combat engineer during WWII, earning a Bronze Star. He graduated from Temple University School of Dental Medicine, and operated a dental practice in Milford, Conn. He was a fellow of the Academy of General Dentistry. Survivors include four children and seven grandchildren.

Kenneth Waters, Camp Hill, Pa., on Dec. 29, 2014. A member of Sigma Chi, he served in the Army during WWII and received a Purple Heart. He worked for Bell Labs and for Yule, Jordan, and Associates, P.E., where he was a partner. He also owned a plant nursery with his wife. He was predeceased by his wife, **Peggy Jean Kohlhaas Waters '49**. Survivors include three children, four grandchildren, a step-grandson and two step-great-grandchildren.

1951

Ann Cooper Nixon P'75, P'77, New Castle, Pa., on Nov. 28, 2014. A member of Chi Omega, Alpha Lambda Delta honor society, Dance Company, *L'Agenda*, Mortar Board honor society, Pi Delta Epsilon journalism honor society, Phi Beta Kappa honor society, Sigma Tau Delta English honor society, Student Government and WVBU, she was an English teacher and a member and president of the Neshannock Township, Pa., School Board. Survivors include her husband; three daughters, including **Susan Nixon Shirey '75** and **Patricia Nixon '77**; and four grandchildren.

1952

Ray D'Amato, Port Charlotte, Fla., on Jan. 19. A member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Intramurals, he served in the Army during the Korean War. He was the owner of D'Amato Construction and Excavation and director of public properties for the Scotch Plains, N.J., public works department. Survivors include four daughters and five grandchildren.

1953

Doris Potts Julian, Mountainside, N.J., on Dec. 25, 2014. A member of Chapel Choir and Mu Phi Epsilon music honor society, she was a music teacher in Mountainside elementary schools. Survivors include four children, six grandchildren and a sister, **Barbara Potts Kelshaw '63**.

1954

Barbara Warren Fry P'80, P'84, Audubon, Pa., on Nov. 28, 2014. A member of Zeta Phi Beta, Christian Fellowship and *The Bucknellian*, she worked

as a lab assistant at Temple University Medical School and as an engineering assistant at the GE Air and Space Center in Philadelphia. She was predeceased by her first husband, **Glenn Long '54**, and by a daughter, **Kathryn Long Teese '80**. Survivors include her husband; two daughters, including **Janice Long '84**; two stepchildren; three grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

Clarence Miller, Elmira, N.Y., on Nov. 22, 2014. A member of Kappa Delta Rho and Chorale, he worked for Miller Roofing and JCPenney. Survivors include his daughter and two grandsons.

Don Williams, Mesa, Ariz., on Aug. 11, 2014. He was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma chemistry honor society and the American Institute for Chemical Engineers. Survivors include his wife, three children, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

1956

JoAnn Grittner Weibel, Lewisburg, Pa., on Dec. 17, 2014. A member of Phi Mu, Band, Chapel Choir, Chorale and Concern and Action, she was an elementary school music teacher in Harrisburg, Pa., and a church organist. Survivors include her husband, **David Weibel '53**, two children and four grandchildren.

1957

Nest Garland Clark, Somerville, N.J., on Dec. 5, 2014. A member of Alpha Phi, Chorale and Concern and Action, she was an elementary school teacher and worked for the Rutgers University Campus Ministry. Survivors include three children and eight grandchildren.

Richard Johnson, Ashland, Ore., on Nov. 3, 2014. A member of Kappa Sigma, Band, Chapel Choir, Chorale, Intramurals, men's basketball, Symphony

Orchestra and WVBU, he worked in the music industry, retiring as a national sales manager for a music publishing company. He later moved to Hawaii, where he worked in sales for General Telephone & Electronics and wrote a monthly column for *Kona Coast* magazine. He also played clarinet in the Rogue Valley Symphony Orchestra. Survivors include his brother, **Scott Johnson '64**.

George Morris, Crescent City, Fla., on Dec. 24, 2014. He served in the Army during the Korean War, and attended business college in Harrisburg, Pa. He worked for Gulf Oil, and in retirement was an antiques vendor. Survivors include his wife, two children, three granddaughters and two great-grandchildren.

Della Critelli Palmer, Essex, Conn., on Nov. 23, 2014. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi, Cap and Dagger, Intramurals, *L'Agenda* and *The Bucknellian*. She was active in the National Charity League. Survivors include her husband, **William Palmer '56**; three children; and four grandchildren.

Ethel Garrett Steinhauser, Jupiter, Fla., on Nov. 19, 2014. A member of Alpha Chi Omega, Cap and Dagger, Concern and Action and *L'Agenda*, she was active in the League of Women Voters. Survivors include her husband and two children.

1958

Arthur Eldred, Moorestown, N.J., on Nov. 29, 2014. A member of Phi Lambda Theta and ROTC, he served in the Army during the Vietnam War. He owned and operated the Clementon Lake Amusement Park, a family business, and afterward owned and operated a hardware store. Survivors include his wife, five children and 12 grandchildren.

Amos Persing G'15, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 22, 2014. He served in the Army. He also attended Lycoming College and graduated from Temple University School of

Dentistry. He was a dentist in Lewisburg. Survivors include two children and four grandchildren, including **William Persing '15**.

Lauren Weed, Etowah, N.C., on Dec. 31, 2014. A member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, he served in the Navy during WWII. He worked for Blackstone Corp. in Jamestown, N.Y. Survivors include his wife, two children, three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

1961

Bruce Irvine, Newtown Square, Pa., on Jan. 26. A member of Kappa Sigma, Cap and Dagger, Chorale, Interfraternity Council, ROTC, Student Government and Theta Alpha Phi dramatics honor society, he served as a captain in the Army, and graduated from Villanova Law School. He was a partner in the law firm of Fronefield and DeFuria in Media, Pa., a prosecutor in the Delaware County district attorney's office and a solicitor for Newtown Township, Pa. Survivors include his wife, four daughters and six grandchildren.

Margaret McGroarty Strassel, The Villages, Fla., on Jan. 15. She was a member of Chorale, *L'Agenda*, Pennsylvania State Education Association, Phi Alpha Theta history honor society, Student Government and WVBU. Survivors include her husband, two children and four grandchildren.

1962

Larry Erdley M'72, Lewisburg, Pa., on Jan. 26. A member of Kappa Delta Rho, American Society of Civil Engineers, Interfraternity Council, Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society, Phi Eta Sigma first-year honor society, ROTC and Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society, he served as a second lieutenant in the Army Reserve and in the Pennsylvania Army

National Guard, where he earned the rank of colonel. He was an engineer for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and an adjunct professor of civil engineering at Bucknell. He was also a volunteer firefighter and the emergency management coordinator for East Buffalo Township, Pa. Survivors include his wife, **Karen McMorris Erdley '64**; three children; and five granddaughters.

Helen Ranck Steininger, Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., on Jan. 31. A member of Pi Beta Phi, Concern and Action and the Pennsylvania State Education Association, she was a teacher. Survivors include her husband, **Warren Steininger '62**; three sons; and four grandchildren.

1964

William Fry P'93, York, Pa., on Nov. 11, 2014. A member of Phi Gamma Delta and men's basketball, he earned a master's from Western Maryland College. He was a guidance counselor, coach and teacher, and also worked in finance and real estate. Survivors include five children, including **Peter Fry '93**; and eight grandchildren.

Joyce Lattal Herkner, Hilton Head Island, S.C., on Jan. 18. A member of Phi Mu, Alpha Lambda Delta honor society, *The Bucknellian*, *L'Agenda*, Phi Beta Kappa honor society, Phi Sigma biology honor society and Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics honor society, she was a medical researcher and a homemaker, managed transportation and scheduling of oil tankers for Exxon and owned a sewing and decorating business. Survivors include her husband, **Douglas Herkner '63**; two children; and a grandson.

Michael Rorick, Harrisburg, Pa., on Nov. 6, 2014. A member of Cap and Dagger, he was an administration officer for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Driver and Vehicle Services Department. Survivors include his brother.

1965

Edward Herrmann P'02, New York, N.Y., on Dec. 31, 2014. A member of Phi Kappa Psi, Cap and Dagger, Concern and Action and Theta Alpha Phi dramatics honor society, he also studied at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art on a Fulbright scholarship. He was an actor who appeared in more than 100 movie and television roles, including recurring roles on *St. Elsewhere*, *The Practice*, *Oz*, *Harry's Law*, *Grey's Anatomy* and *The Good Wife*. He portrayed Franklin Delano Roosevelt in a pair of television movies, and in the 1982 movie version of *Annie*. Other better known films he appeared in include 1973's *The Great Gatsby*, *The Paper Chase*, *The Purple Rose of Cairo*, *Richie Rich*, *Overboard* and *The Emperor's Club*. He was perhaps best known for his portrayal of Richard Gilmore on TV's *Gilmore Girls* and as the narrator of numerous History Channel documentaries. He was also the voice of Dodge commercials throughout the 1990s, recorded dozens of audio books and appeared on Broadway. In 1976 he won a Tony award as a featured actor for his portrayal of Frank Gardner in George Bernard Shaw's *Mrs. Warren's Profession*. He maintained a connection to Bucknell throughout his life. He was presented with an honorary doctorate in the humanities by Bucknell in 1983 and was the University's Commencement speaker in 1989. He was also a former director of Bucknell's Association for the Arts, and received an Outstanding Achievement in a Chosen Profession Award from the Bucknell Alumni Association in 2000. In 2010, he returned to campus to perform in the play *Mazurka: My Friend Chopin* at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. Survivors include his wife; three children, including **Ryen Herrmann '02**; and a granddaughter.

Patricia Lunn Smith, Carlisle, Pa., on Jan. 9. A member of

Delta Zeta, Concern and Action and Student Government, she was a past president of the American Association of University Women and was active in community organizations. Survivors include her husband, **Robert Smith '68**; two sons; two grandsons; and a step-granddaughter.

1967

Roger Clark, East Earl, Pa., on Sept. 24, 2014. A member of American Institute for Chemical Engineers, he worked for Rocky Flats Plant in Colorado. Survivors include his wife and seven children.

1969

Thomas Allred, Livermore, Calif., on Dec. 24, 2013. A member of Band and Chapel Choir, he earned degrees from SUNY New Paltz and the University of Arizona. He worked as a civilian for the Department of the Army, and did mission work with the Lakota people.

1971

Anne Oliver, Boston, Mass., on Dec. 31, 2014. A member of the field hockey team, International Relations Club, Mortar Board honor society, Pi Mu Epsilon mathematics honor society, Resident Hall Association and Sailing Club, she earned an MBA from New York University. She worked as a manager for AT&T, as a management consultant for Temple, Barker & Sloane, as an executive for MCI, as director of HR strategy for British Telecom and as vice president of HR strategy and leadership development for Concert. She was vice chairwoman of the U.S. Tibetan Society for School and Culture. Survivors include a sister and a brother.

1972

George Mazarakis, Tucson, Ariz., on Nov. 25, 2014. A member of Intramurals, he was a stockbroker and financial analyst and owned a contracting business. Survivors include his wife, three children and three grandchildren.

Stephen Selinger, Penn Valley, Pa., on Dec. 20, 2014. A member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, Concert Committee, Student Government and WVBU, he worked for Audience Analytics, as vice president of marketing and sales for CPS Communications, and as vice president of marketing and sales and later vice president of media for Compas. He also was a judge of elections and ward leader. Survivors include his former wife, two stepchildren and five step-grandchildren.

1973

Rodney Edwards, Oklahoma City, Okla., on Jan. 22. A member of Delta Upsilon and Student Government, he earned a master's from Duke University. He worked for Cannon Mills, as a healthcare administrator for a hospital in Riverton, Wyo., as vice president of operations for Baptist Medical Center in Oklahoma City, for the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and as executive director of the Oklahoma Residential Assisted Living Association. Survivors include his wife; two children; and two brothers, including **Richard Edwards '73**.

1975

Heather Harms Roman, Mount Lebanon, Pa., on Nov. 24, 2013. A member of Alpha Chi Omega, Christian Fellowship and Student Government, she was a glass artist, giftware importer, travel agent and officer for PNC Bank. Survivors include her husband, **Andrew Roman**

'73, two daughters and one grandson.

1978

Michael DeSimone, Ridgewood, N.J., on Dec. 30, 2014. A member of Phi Gamma Delta and the wrestling team, he was a guidance counselor and wrestling, lacrosse and football coach at Suffern High School. Survivors include his wife, three children and two brothers, **David DeSimone '77** and **Daniel DeSimone '82**.

1983

Susan Parks Hower, McLean, Va., on Jan. 30. A member of Alpha Chi Omega and women's basketball, she worked as a program manager developing robots and unmanned vehicles for the Navy and performed physical security audits of embassies for the U.S. Department of State. Survivors include her husband, **Mark Hower '82**, and two daughters.

1990

John Marsh, Pomeroy, Pa., on Dec. 30, 2014. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha, the Bison Chips, Bucknell Opera Company, *The Bucknellian*, Chapel Choir, Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Intramurals, For Arts Sake, Jazz and Rock Ensemble, Minority Student Union and the NAACP, and was a resident assistant. He earned a master's from the University of Michigan and a doctorate in law from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law. He worked for Kellogg's and owned the Triton Seafood Restaurant in Thorndale, Pa. Survivors include his mother, a brother and a sister.

2005

John Blake, Hopatcong, N.J.,

on Nov. 21, 2014. A member of the football team and Chess Club, he worked for Stanhope House, JB Hunt, Broadview Networks, Hopatcong Department of Public Works and Enterprise Rent-A-Car. Survivors include his parents, **John '77** and **Cynthia Jefferson Blake '79**; and a brother.

2011

Noah Hardt, Philadelphia, Pa., on Sept. 16, 2014. A member of Kappa Sigma and the Social Justice Residential College, he was a teaching assistant in the international relations department at Bucknell and worked in marketing for Epsilon at Merck. Survivors include his parents and two sisters.

MASTER'S

Joan Forgash Fladd M'67, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., on Jan. 5. She earned a bachelor's from Misericordia University, and was a chemistry teacher in the Wyoming Valley West School District. She was predeceased by her husband, **Albert Fladd '44**, and by a son. Survivors include a daughter, four grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Louis Hass M'54, Centre Hall, Pa., on Nov. 26, 2014. He served in the Naval Air Corps during WWII, and earned a bachelor's from the University of Scranton and a Ph.D. from Duke University. He was a researcher for Armstrong Cork Co., the University of Minnesota and the National Institutes of Health, and a professor of biochemistry at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. He authored many scientific papers as well as a photographic essay of central Pennsylvania. Survivors include his wife, three children and a grandson.

Leo Herzog M'50, Lancaster, Pa., on Dec. 3, 2014. He served in the Army during WWII, receiving five Bronze Stars, and earned a bachelor's from Lock Haven State Teachers

College. He was a social studies teacher, assistant principal and principal for schools in the Williamsport, Pa., area. Survivors include three daughters, eight grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Alexander McKechnie M'41, Camp Hill, Pa., on Dec. 25, 2014. He served in the Navy during WWII, and earned a bachelor's from Bloomsburg State Teachers College and a D.D.S. from Temple University School of Dentistry. He taught physics in junior high and high schools in Shickshinny and Columbia, Pa.; was a professor of physics and tennis coach at Gettysburg College, a professor of chemistry with the Penn State Extension, and an assistant professor and assistant dean at Temple School of Dentistry; and was a private practice dentist in Philadelphia and Camp Hill. He was also a member of the school board and other boards in Camp Hill, served in leadership roles for many professional associations, including as vice president of the American Dental Association, and was a fellow in the International College of Dentists and the American College of Dentists. Survivors include four children, six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

George Wynn M'59, Mifflinburg, Pa., on Dec. 4, 2014. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War, and graduated from Bloomsburg University. He was a history teacher and guidance counselor for Mifflinburg Area School District. Survivors include two children, three grandchildren and one great-grandson.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Suellen Beck, Northumberland, Pa., on Jan. 15. She graduated from Katharine Gibbs College in Montclair, N.J., and worked for 20 years as an academic assistant in the chemistry department at Bucknell. Survivors include two daughters.

Robert Chambers, Westminster, Md., on Jan. 15. He

earned a bachelor's from Duke University, a bachelor's from Yale Divinity School and a Ph.D. from Brown University. He was dean of Davenport College, an assistant professor of English and American studies at Yale University and a visiting fellow at Clare College at the University of Cambridge before joining the Bucknell faculty. He was a professor of English and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Bucknell from 1975–84. In 1982 he was a visiting scholar at Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan, while on sabbatical. In 1984 he became president of Western Maryland College, now McDaniel College, a post he held for 16 years. Afterward he was senior consultant for Marts & Lundy and was provost and dean of Trinity College at the University of Melbourne. He founded Common Ground on the Hill, a non-profit arts organization. Survivors include his former wife and two children.

James Lyon, Portland, Ore., on Aug. 29, 2014. He earned a bachelor's from Louisiana Tech University and master's and MFA degrees from Stanford University. He was a technical assistant in speech and drama at Stanford University, and taught stagecraft, scene and lighting design at Bucknell, starting in 1962. He later taught at Portland State University in Oregon and worked for Burlington Northern Railroad.

Richard Nickelsen, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 23, 2014. He graduated from Dartmouth College and earned a doctorate from Johns Hopkins University. He served in the Army during WWII. He worked for the U.S. Geological Survey in Alaska and taught at Penn State University before joining the Bucknell faculty in 1959 with a directive to build a geology department. He would stay for 32 years, serving as the chair of the Department of Geology and earning a Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching. Survivors include his wife, three children and a grandson.

Moises Veloz, Lewisburg, Pa., on Dec. 22, 2014. He was a shop technician in the Department

of Physics & Astronomy at Bucknell. Survivors include his wife, Lisa Veloz, a Bucknell employee; and three children.

Gerald Wang Cooke, Lewisburg, Pa., on Dec. 24, 2014. He served in the Coast Guard during WWII, and earned a bachelor's from Colorado College and a doctor of divinity from Yale Divinity School. He was a minister at a Congregationalist church in Middlefield, Conn., taught religion at Oberlin College, and was a staff member on a University of Pennsylvania Museum-led archaeological expedition to Jordan. He was a faculty member at Bucknell from 1962-88 and chair of the religious studies department from 1964-69. He was predeceased by his former wife, Brigitte. Survivors include his former wife, Lila Wang; three sons; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

FRIENDS

Russell Boyer, Watsonstown, Pa., on Dec. 1, 2014. He served in the Navy, and worked as a truck driver for Weis Markets. Survivors include his wife, Donna; five children; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Margaret Candrick, Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 15, 2014. She earned a bachelor's from East Stroudsburg University and a master's from Bloomsburg University. She was a teacher at high schools in Lewisburg and Mifflinburg, Pa., and Buchanan, Va. In retirement, she was a tutor and worked for Gingerbread House in Lewisburg. She was a member of the Bucknell Golf Club and former president of the Bucknell Ladies Golf Association. Survivors include a son and a grandson.

Amy Fazi P'15, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Oct. 27, 2014. She earned a bachelor's from California University of Pennsylvania. Survivors include her husband, **Burt Fazi P'15**; and two children, including **Julian Fazi '15**.

Joshua Graham P'15, Greenwich, Conn., on Oct. 2, 2014. He earned a bachelor's from Georgetown University and an MBA from Fordham Graduate School of Business Administration. He worked for Lazard Frères and Goldman Sachs, and founded and served as chairman and CEO of Electronic Mail Corporation of America, one of the first commercial email services companies. He was also managing director of FrontLine Capital and founder and CEO of Telnext Communications. Survivors include his wife, **Pamela Graham P'15**; and two sons, including **Joshua "Nick" Graham '15**.

Samuel Kolmen, Lewisburg, Pa., on Oct. 15, 2014. He attended Brownsville Junior College and earned a bachelor's from the University of Texas at Austin and a Ph.D. from the University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB). He did physiology research at UTMB, the London Hospital Medical School and with the Queen's Coroner in London. He was a professor of physiology at UTMB and founding chair of the physiology department at Wright State University of School of Medicine, where he also served as an assistant dean and assistant to the president for research. He later became a deputy dean at Hahnemann School of Medicine, consulted at the National Board of Medical Examiners and was named director of medical education and research at Mercy Medical Center in Pittsburgh. Survivors include his wife, two daughters and five grandchildren.

Thomas Mitchell, Wrightstown, Pa., on Nov. 2, 2013. He served in the Marines, and graduated from Penn State University. Survivors include his wife, **Christine Quittman '78**; three children; and two granddaughters.

Robert Mold P'15, Mahwah, N.J., on Nov. 21, 2014. He worked in sales for Bobbie Brooks. Survivors include his wife, **Francine Mold P'15**; and three children, including **Victoria Mold '15**.

Lynda Moore P'17, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on Nov. 29, 2014. She graduated from St. Ambrose University. She worked in advertising, and was formerly vice president of advertising for Alamo Rent a Car. Survivors include her husband, **Richard Moore P'17**; and four children, including **RJ Moore '17**.

Enoch Powell, Mifflinburg, Pa., on Nov. 5, 2014. He graduated from Mansfield University and the Mansfield University Police Academy, and worked as a police officer for the Selinsgrove Police Department. He also worked as a part-time officer for police departments in New Berlin and Mifflinburg, Pa.; a detective for the Snyder County District Attorney's Office; a DARE program officer for Snyder County schools; and a public safety officer for Bucknell. Survivors include his wife and a son.

George Scott P'74, G'07, Spring Hill, Fla., on May 1, 2014. He served in the Army Air Corps during WWII, and earned a bachelor's from Haverford College. He was a claims manager for Liberty Mutual Insurance. He was predeceased by his first wife, **Betty Scott P'74, G'07**. Survivors include his wife; two children, including **Deborah Scott Grabowski '74**; and a granddaughter, **Karen Grabowski Heger '07**.

Nancy Shemory, Dewart, Pa., on Nov. 7, 2014. She worked for Milton Shoe Factory, JPM, Furman's and Bucknell Dining Services. Survivors include her husband, a son and a granddaughter.

Diana Soule, Concord, N.H., on June 7, 2014. She graduated from Princeton University and Vanderbilt University Graduate School of Nursing. She was a nurse practitioner in Los Angeles and a volunteer at Concord Hospital in Concord, N.H. Survivors include her mother, three sisters and a brother.

Shirley Tomtishen, Mount Carmel, Pa., on Nov. 14, 2014. She worked as a bookkeeper for Leonard Wydra Plumbing. Survivors include three children, six grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

And the winners are...



Not all entries we received for the Winter 2015 Class Notes Caption Contest were fit for print. Here are five of the best PG-rated captions:

"When they ask me why I changed my major, this will be the photo I show them."

— Amy Gamache-Wilson '83

"He holds the club record for most daughters graduated from Bucknell."

— Alan Schriger '79

"The original cast of *The Bachelor*."

— Hank Pulizzi '60

"A thorn among roses."

— Doug Nelson P'18

"Bob gets lucky with his dorm assignment."

— Keith Washburn '71, M'78

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The Start of Something Great

What one photo can tell us about beginnings, legacies and all the promise that lies ahead.

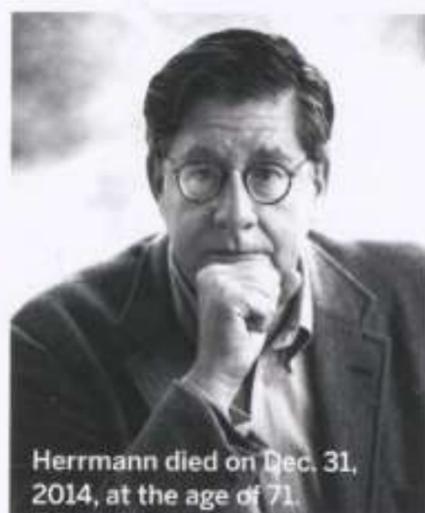
By Richard Humphrey '74

While an undergraduate at Bucknell in the early '70s, I would walk along the lengthy corridor backstage of the Coleman Theatre and admire framed photographs of student productions going back decades. One image from 1964 always grabbed my attention. A gangly, funny-looking lad is staring into the camera's lens. His eyes are wide and intensely concentrated, reflecting a chimerical blend of tragedy and comedy. That young lad is Edward Herrmann '65, P'02 in a campus production of Arthur Kopit's *Oh Dad, Poor Dad, Momma's Hung You in the Closet and I'm Feelin' So Sad*. Who would have guessed that this moment at Bucknell University would be the nascence of Edward's journey into a multifaceted, award-winning career that would span more than four decades, into movies such as Woody Allen's *The Purple Rose of Cairo* and the '80s cult classic *The Lost Boys*; into television as Richard Gilmore in *Gilmore Girls*; and on to plays, audiobooks and commercials?

As fate would have it, I met the subject of my fascination in 1973, when Ed came home to Bucknell to coach theatre students at the request of his mentor, Harvey Powers. For decades, Harvey and his wife, Betsy, formed the center of a dynamic, artistic microcosm in which students could gather at their home on South Water Street and commune with famous and on-the-way-to-famous artists, actors and musicians, and dream of the world of artistic opportunity awaiting beyond Lewisburg. Ed's professional career had begun, but he was still two years away from his breakthrough portrayal of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in the popular and critically acclaimed *Eleanor and Franklin*. I vividly recall being enthralled by his presence (a looming six foot, five inches), energy and optimism.



Ed Herrmann performs on the Coleman Theatre stage in 1964.



Herrmann died on Dec. 31, 2014, at the age of 71.

I also remember feeling slightly jealous of his palpable talent.

As the years progressed and his reputation grew, Ed never left Bucknell far behind. He returned to campus repeatedly to humbly share his mentorship, his love for the arts and the halo effect of the momentum of his notoriety and successes — which included a coveted Tony Award for Best Featured Actor — in support of Bucknell's next generation of students and the University's capital plans for growth. Ed was granted an honorary doctor of humanities degree in 1983 and spoke

at Bucknell's Commencement in 1989. He delivered a beautiful eulogy for Harvey Powers when Powers died in 1993, and Ed and his wife, Star, performed A.R. Gurney's *Love Letters* in 1997 at the Weis Center to celebrate the Coleman Theatre's new name — the Harvey M. Powers Theatre. Ed's daughter, Ryen, graduated from Bucknell in 2002, and Ed relished his new role of parent quietly, and behind the scenes. As the years passed, I would continue to see Ed on campus and at industry award ceremonies and events, where we would joke and marvel that it all began for

us both at Bucknell. And so it was with shock, sadness and regret that I opened *The New York Times* to read of Ed's untimely passing on Dec. 31, 2014, at the age of 71.

Even so, I continue to reflect upon that image from 1964. It is altogether natural that the edges of the photograph have become brittle and browned. This is life. But I'm glad that it holds for us, fellow Bucknell alumni, and for the students who will take the stage after him, a forever-youthful Edward Herrmann, as he stares into a yet-unknown future and all the promise it holds.

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