

Undefeated Patriot League Champions
NCAA Second Round • School Record — 27 Wins

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“I can tell you we mean what we say at Bucknell — on the court and, more important, in the classroom. Our basketball success has demonstrated that impressive academic and athletic achievements are not mutually exclusive. In fact, athletics directors and academic administrators at colleges and universities around the nation need to understand the new realities of Division I basketball competition ... There are enough bright students with basketball skills who want to play major college basketball to permit schools like Bucknell — with a driving focus on quality education — to succeed in the NCAA tournament.” — Bucknell President Brian C. Mitchell, *Inside Higher Education*



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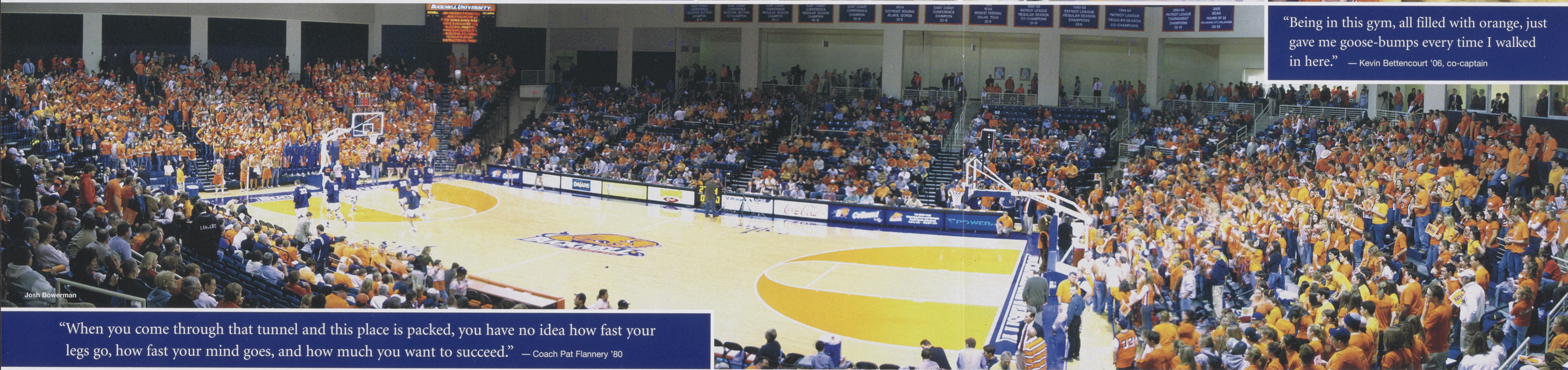
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A Season of Firsts ...

- Only team in the NCAA Tournament field to graduate 100 percent of its basketball players.
- The first national ranking for the Bison (No. 24 in the Feb. 13 Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today polls; and No. 25 in final ESPN/USA Today poll).
- The first undefeated Patriot League regular season (14-0).
- The first back-to-back championship seasons in program history.
- A school and league record — 27 victories.
- A No. 9 seed in the NCAA Tournament, the highest for any Bucknell or Patriot League team.
- The first player — Charles Lee — to be named Patriot League Tournament MVP twice.
- A new school attendance record, featuring eight sellouts and the 10 largest crowds in school history.
- The first Patriot League team to win not one but two first-round NCAA Tournament games.



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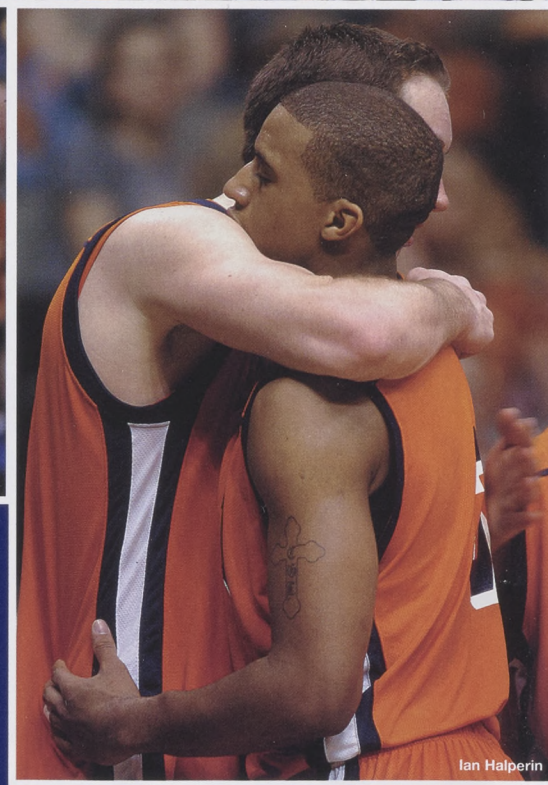
“When you come through that tunnel and this place is packed, you have no idea how fast your legs go, how fast your mind goes, and how much you want to succeed.” — Coach Pat Flannery '80



Ian Halperin



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“Last year, I stood right here at this rally and I told you how we all believed in the Bison out in Oklahoma City. This year, I’m proud to report that not only did we believe again, but we achieved again down in Dallas.” — John Hardt, director of athletics and recreation

“They don’t mind that Bucknell pushes its brainy status, and among the large stacks of media guides in the press room, Bucknell was the only school offering copies of an online column written by the university president touting the team’s academic achievements. Call them the smart ones if you’d like.” — *Los Angeles Times*

“Arkansas returned to the NCAA Tournament, making its first appearance in five years since the days of Nolan Richardson and ‘Forty Minutes of Hell.’ So Razorback fans poured across the border and into American Airlines Center and were treated to: ‘Forty Minutes of Bucknell.’” — *Dallas Morning News*

On parading through Lewisburg:
“It was cold riding on those fire trucks. But I didn’t feel it. All I could feel was the warmth and love that was shared from this whole community all year long. The moments that I was able to share here I will remember for the rest of my life.” — Holland Mack '06

“You just have to walk down Market Street in the borough to feel the buzz. And it’s a Bison buzz.” — Lewisburg Mayor Judy Wagner

On bringing the pep band to this year’s NCAA Tournament:
“Last year, Cinderella didn’t know she needed to bring her own boom box. This year, we’ve got the six-cassette changer.” — Bucknell band director Phil Haynes, *Dallas Morning News*

“Bucknell isn’t Bucknell any more. Oh, the Bison are in the NCAA Tournament for a second straight year but they’re not the same charming underdog that wrecked office pools throughout the country last spring. They’ve become the establishment.” — *New York Newsday*

“When our senior players arrived on campus years ago, they would have never imagined fellow Bucknellians driving 20-plus hours to Dallas, jumping up and down when free tickets were given out, and hearing chants of ‘Ray Bucknell from their classmates in a sold-out Sojka.” — Adam Weinberg '07, Bucknell student government president

“We are a bunch of brainiacs, but I think we also can play ball really well.” — Charles Lee '06, Patriot League player of the year and co-captain, *Los Angeles Times*

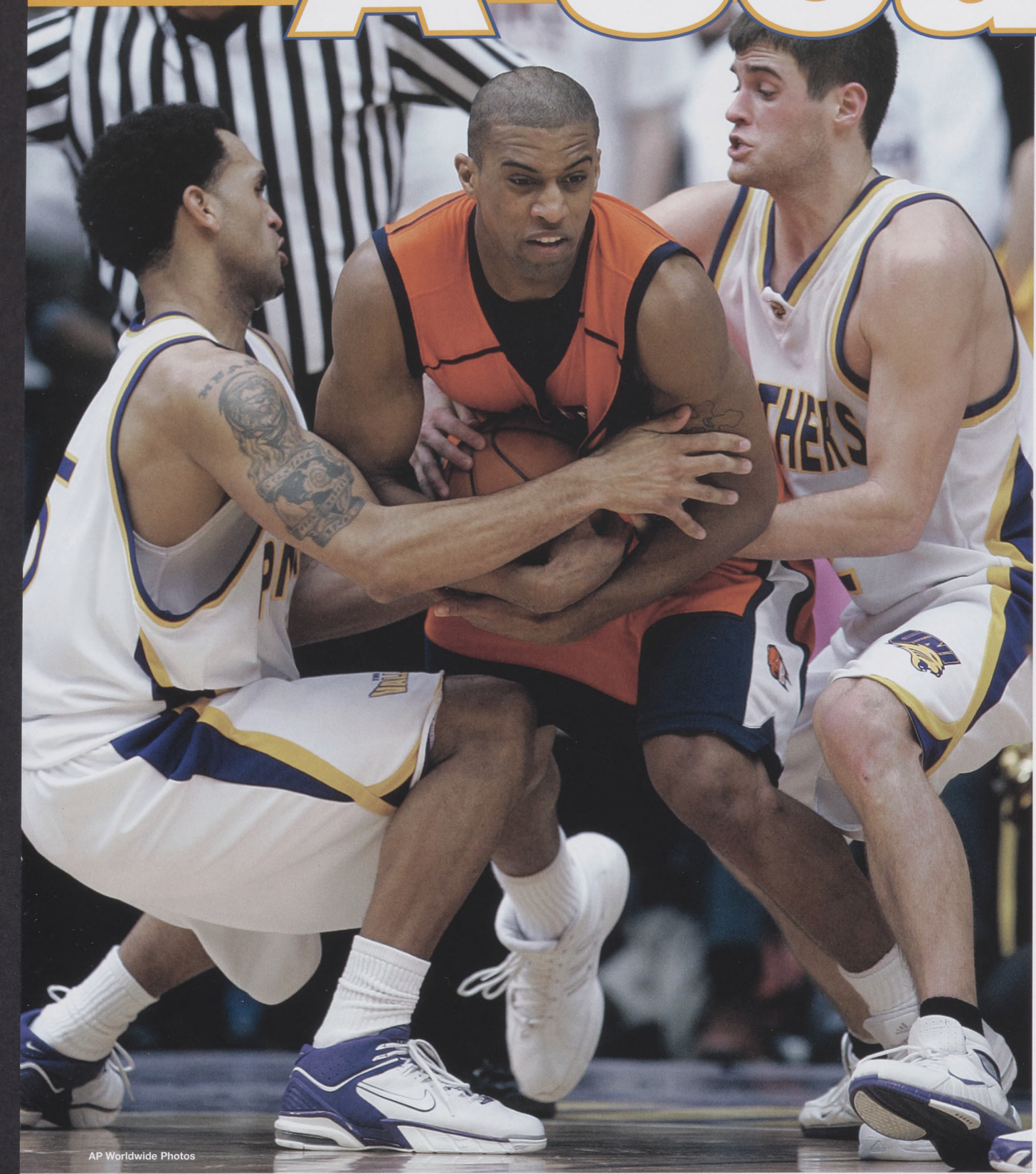
2005–06 Bucknell Men’s Basketball Results

Overall record: 27-5
Patriot League record: 14-0

Date	Opponent	Result
Nov. 18	at Rider	56-54 W
Nov. 22	at #17 Syracuse	74-69 W
Nov. 26	YALE	87-60 W
Nov. 30	at Niagara	66-63 W
Dec. 3	at DePaul	57-52 W
Dec. 6	#4 VILLANOVA (ESPN 360)	79-60 L
Dec. 17	CORNELL	83-39 W
Dec. 19	HAVERFORD	76-44 W
Dec. 21	ST. JOSEPH’S	63-51 W
Dec. 28	vs. Boston Univ.	63-57 W
Dec. 29	at Santa Clara	77-68 L
Jan. 2	at #1 Duke (ESPN)	84-50 L
Jan. 7	at Navy	74-52 W
Jan. 11	at American	58-50 W
Jan. 14	HOLY CROSS (CSTV)	56-42 W
Jan. 18	LAFAYETTE	62-32 W
Jan. 21	COLGATE	62-43 W
Jan. 25	at Lehigh	59-54 W
Jan. 28	NAVY	81-47 W
Feb. 1	at Army	67-54 W
Feb. 4	at Colgate	68-59 W
Feb. 8	AMERICAN	74-57 W
Feb. 11	at Holy Cross	57-52 W
Feb. 15	at Lafayette (CSTV)	69-49 W
Feb. 18	at Northern Iowa (ESPN)	65-61 L (2 OT)
Feb. 22	LEHIGH	81-70 W
Feb. 25	ARMY	70-47 W
March 3	ARMY	59-47 W
March 5	AMERICAN (CSTV)	64-50 W
March 10	HOLY CROSS (ESPN2)	74-59 W
March 17	vs. Arkansas (CBS)	59-55 W
March 19	vs. Memphis (CBS)	72-56 L

Home contests in **BOLD** at Sojka Pavilion

A Season of Firsts



Joe #11
Giffi

Jarik Niam-McMahon
#44

Charles Lee #3

Kc #12
Beth

Justin Cant #10

Pat #2

D. Brown #4

Pat Flannery

Chris Naup #32

Dan #1
Mastroy

Pat #22

#42 Joshua Lintner

Elhakim Badmus #5

Joan Verity #14

Chris #25

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A Season of No Regrets

by Coach Pat Flannery '80

At the beginning of this season, Abe Badmus '06 said something that was priceless — all he wanted to have were “painless memories.” By this, he meant no regrets. That was the thing with Memphis and the rest of it. None of us has regrets about anything we did this year, and that’s an awfully good feeling you can have as a coach. Throughout the year, “no regrets” became our theme. We put it all out there every game. In the second half against Memphis, we had the chance to close the game, but it wasn’t meant to be. Afterwards, through all the tears and all the smiles, nobody had their chin down. We left that locker room in Dallas with a lot of pride. There were no regrets.

There were three huge things that we needed to do this year — win the league, win 20 games, and win the regular season. As the young kids came in, we knew that people would be talking about last year, about Kansas, but we wanted to make sure that everyone knew we had goals for the year. Winning the league always has to be our team’s major goal. Winning 20 games in basketball is a magical number. Plus, we had never won the regular season.

The wins at Syracuse and DePaul were big confidence builders. They were two big national powers. But we became really good playing St. Joe’s, which was a good win at home. And even though we didn’t get the job done against Villanova, that game taught our kids that you can’t play for the crowd. We played nervously and rushed but, honestly, after that ballgame, we gained a poise and confidence that we didn’t have before.

Villanova was a national team, ranked in the top five, and they were coming here. We played really good basketball. We just came off a big win, and I could tell our kids were feeling it a bit. We played well in spurts, but not with the same kind



of poise and confidence we had played with the year before and, at certain times, this year. There was no more pressure than what we put on ourselves. It was the biggest game we’ve ever played here.

The Nova game was really important to the way we finished out the year in the league and the way we closed out Holy Cross in the championship at home. If we hadn’t had the experience of playing Nova at home with a crowd and a national TV audience, I don’t think we would have done so well playing Holy Cross. I was so proud of the way we played that night. They really became a group of kids who reveled in the crowds and in the energy, as opposed to a team who played to the crowd, which can take you out of your game. Our kids learned how to do it right.

My favorite moment in the whole season was beating Holy Cross at home for the Patriot League title. Everyone enjoyed the game immensely, and no one wanted to leave afterwards. As an alumnus, a coach, and a community member, I have to say that there was nothing like seeing the pride the kids took in closing the deal like that, at home, against a very good team.

The basketball program has drawn the community together. Part of it is the way we run our program, and part of it is the product, the student-athletes. And we continue to do it the right way, with the student-athlete model. We’re not Memphis, and we’re not Arkansas. But Memphis and Arkansas are not Bucknell. Our kids are rooted and they work hard. There’s a reason they’re at Bucknell. Part of the reason is that they’re going to end up running Wall Street. They do exactly the same kind of class work as everyone else; they just happen to have an extracurricular activity called basketball.

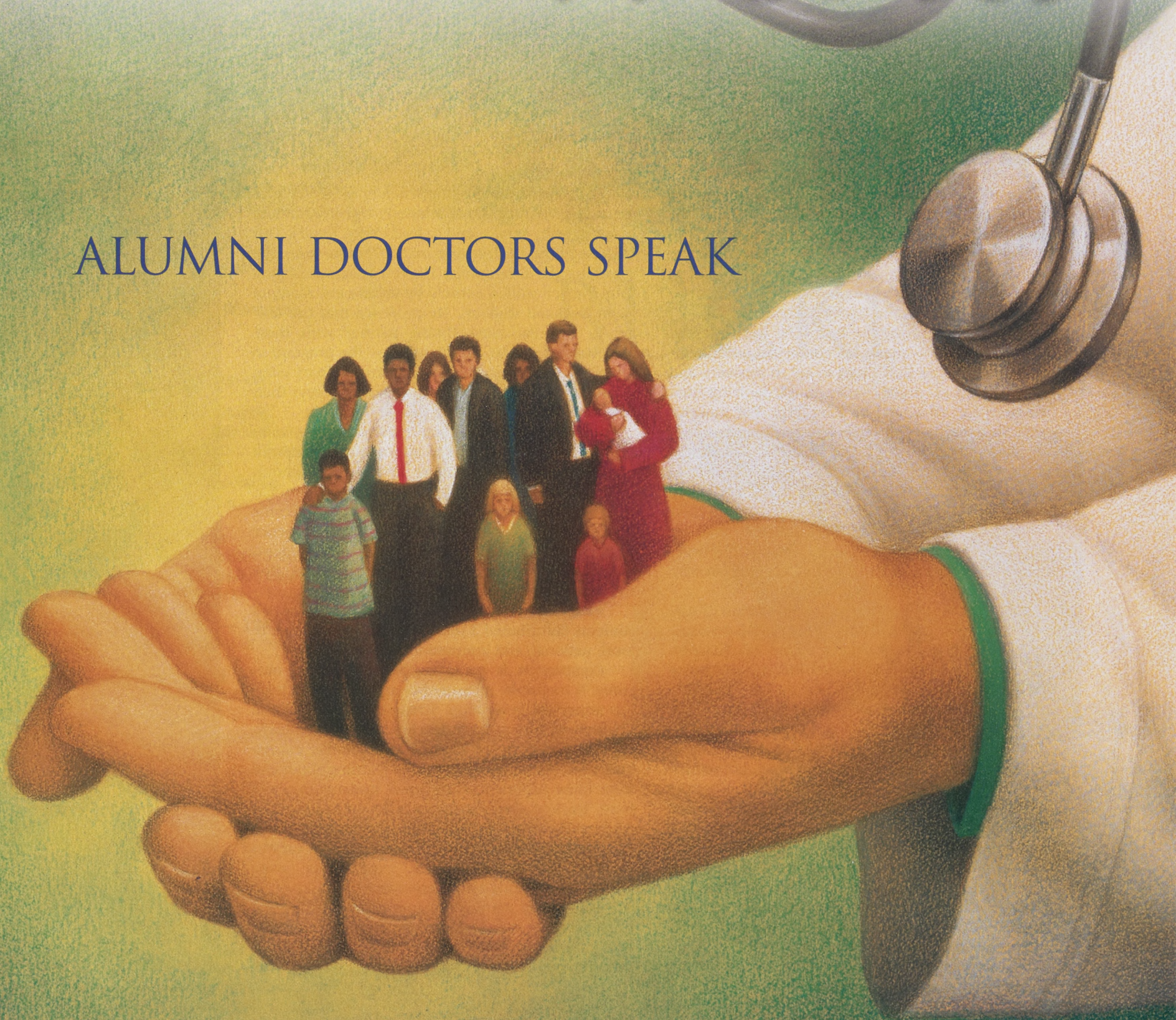
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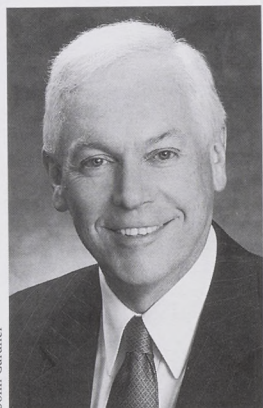
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President's Message

THE KINDNESS OF OUR COMMUNITY

BRIAN C. MITCHELL



Bucknellians are, by nature and nurture, helpful. Many students who enroll in Bucknell have impressive records of volunteer work and community service and wish to continue serving their new community. The recent tragedies that have befallen our country and the world have produced in each of us a stronger and more urgent desire to reach out to those in need.

In an earlier President's Message, I discussed the university's response to Hurricane Katrina. The initial step of admitting students displaced by the hurricane was just that, a first step. Today, seven of the 20 students who enrolled as visiting scholars have enrolled as transfer students and continue to be thriving members of the Bucknell community.

The days following the hurricane were stressful for our students — many felt compelled to immediately travel to the Gulf Coast to aid in recovery and relief efforts. I urged patience, recognizing that the need for aid would be long-term. For months, students did what they could from a distance, and it made a difference. During winter break, a dedicated group of students, faculty, and staff traveled to Waveland, Miss., to aid in recovery efforts. The group spent a week helping local residents clean out their homes. In the process, they uncovered treasures thought lost and turned peril into promise. The experience changed each one of them and, undoubtedly, the Waveland residents they helped.

These students built upon the foundation of success of the Bucknell Brigade. Through the domestic brigade based on the Nicaragua model, relationships are being forged that will forever link our university to the Gulf Coast region. Many of the Waveland residents had never heard of Bucknell, and now, they will never forget.

The Mississippi trip was precipitated by a natural disaster; however, students, faculty, and staff participate every day in service projects and community service efforts that have a local or regional impact. The Community Service Program connects students with opportunities representing the range of needs in our area. Bucknell's impact is profound. From their involvement in the Adopt-A-Highway program to their volunteer work with the Union-Snyder Area Agency on Aging, Bucknellians are influential and instrumental. As an incentive, the I Serve 2 initiative provides students the opportunity to log their activities and share the good works being done.

Bucknell groups like Greek-letter organizations, athletics teams, and student organizations contribute significantly to the considerable hours volunteered in the local communities. Bucknell students serve as volunteer members of Lewisburg's William Cameron Engine Company. The Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity contributes annually to the Chocolate Festival in Lewisburg. The sisters of Alpha Phi Omega host blood drives to keep local blood banks operational. The women's soccer team adopted a portion of River Road and is responsible for its upkeep. The men's lacrosse team recently adopted a U.S. military unit in Iraq through the nonprofit group America Supporting Americans.

Of particular note is our Scholars in Service program. Twelve students are selected to receive training in community service and to lead efforts locally. This fall, one of the 12, Tom Sherman '07, came to see me regarding the Community Harvest Program, a local soup kitchen staffed entirely by volunteers, many of them Bucknell students. He proposed that the university and Parkhurst Dining partner with these students and a local church to allow the program to remain in operation. This was an extraordinary commitment for the students to make and conveys their belief in the project and the people they help.

The Bucknell Public Interest Program provides opportunities for students to intern with a nonprofit organization and learn more about the nonprofit sector from an alumni mentor. The program has been extraordinarily successful and has become increasingly competitive. The educational experience is important, and the program connects students with alumni, developing relationships that link Bucknell's past with its future.

All told, in the 2004–05 academic year, Bucknell students contributed \$160,000 and 49,000 hours to local, national, and international organizations.

Compassion is an intangible educational outcome. It cannot be measured or assessed, but it is no less important to develop. Strength of character and the capacity for empathy develop in an environment where individuals are exposed to unfamiliar experiences and immerse themselves in learning about and from those experiences. Bucknell students can, and have, learned about giving back in myriad ways in directed classroom discussions, in informal conversations and debate, and through observation of various media. Those educational experiences were enhanced by hands-on experiences.

Community service and volunteerism reflect the university's values and are important avenues of exploration for our students. Our community is strengthened by their example. *W*

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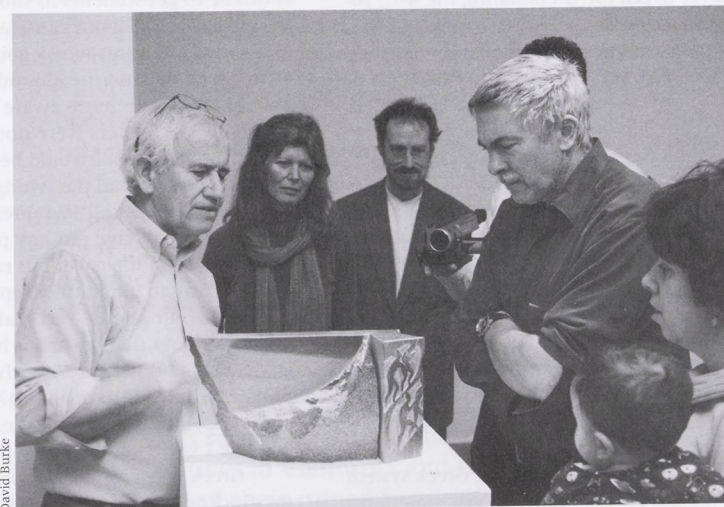
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GREEK LIFE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

I just got done reading the article about Greek life [January 2006] and wanted to tell you how much I liked it. You really struck the perfect tone. I especially liked President Mitchell's comments, and I love the cover shot. As an alumna whose dissatisfaction with the Greek system caused her to join the Alumni Board, I've learned that most of the issues are communications related — specifically, a lack of effective communications from the university to Greek alumni about what is really going on. This article, along with other steps the Alumni Board is trying to implement in conjunction with the administration, will hopefully begin a new chapter that brings the Greek system into the 21st century.

Cali Williams Yost '87
Madison, N.J.

IT'S GREEK TO ME

That was a great article on the dismantling of the fantastic Greek system that Bucknell used to have. Greek life is emulating the 4-H, so let's stop calling it "Greek" because it's becoming something else. And while we're at it, let's broaden the Biology Club or Cap & Dagger or whatever is left into one big homogeneous organization. Rooke Chapel singers should be doing opera and hip-hop.

In the '60s, we had a great Greek system. We had limited control by the university. And you know what? We grew up and learned to assume our own responsibilities. We learned how to live in the world. If we wanted to have fun, we went to the fraternity house. If we wanted to study, we went to the library. If we were interested in biology, we could join the Biology Club.

Let's not forget that the Greek system is the fun part of college — not something else. There's not a whole lot to do in the middle of Pennsylvania in the middle of the winter. If I wanted to be a monk, I would have gone somewhere else.

As this Greek system morphs into the 4-H, the university is going to have a tougher and tougher time getting better students who don't want to go to a 4-H club for four years. So, work hard and play hard. If you want to join another club, go do it. But let's keep this great university great. Let's not turn it into a 4-H club. Why would you want to? It's Greek to me.

Jerry Lichen '68
Boca Raton, Fla.

UNFAIR REPRESENTATION

When I received the last issue of *Bucknell World*, I was thrilled to see that Greek life was a focus. However, when I looked for my sorority's representation on the cover, I noticed it was not there and that there were other key Greek chapters missing from the cover. I understand that you asked all chapters to participate; however, I was the Pi Phi president while I was at Bucknell, and the administration asked us to come to many things, but sometimes as a student you don't realize the impact you will have or that there is life after Bucknell. I am sure you made a great effort to get representation from all 19 sororities and fraternities, but *Bucknell World* is an alumni magazine. You should have thought about how it would affect the alumni receiving the issue whose chapters were not represented on the cover. You actually represented two sororities twice on the cover (Kappa Kappa Gamma and Chi Omega).

I have worked in alumni relations for four years and know how frustrating it can be to get students to show up, but we always think about cause and effect. With all of the controversy going on with Greek life and the alumni, Bucknell should have been more aware of the fact that if all 19 chapters were not represented, some alumni would be offended, or that it would send the wrong message. If you couldn't get all 19 representatives, you should not have put any pictures of the students on the cover but rather used another way to graphically represent Greek life on campus. This makes me ask, what does this say about how Bucknell views my sorority (that I still donate to and still care about)? It also made me not want to read the article because I was so annoyed by the cover.

Greek life is an enormous part of my Bucknell experience and for the cover of the alumni magazine to disregard that really offends me. I am sure if you had dug a little deeper you could have found a way to make sure all 19 chapters were on the cover in some way. I know this because I work in alumni relations, and I make it my job to think about how my actions will affect the alumni population as a whole. I hope that there will be an apology or an explanation to alumni in the next issue of *Bucknell World*.

Krista M. McCabe '01
Brookline, Mass.

Editor's Note: Bucknell World apologizes.

CAMPAINING FOR THE ARTS

It was a great joy to celebrate the extraordinary career of William Lasansky on Jan. 28 at the opening reception of the landmark exhibition "Carving in Context II." I hope most of the Bucknell community took the opportunity to see this stunning show, which occurred during Lasansky's last semester at Bucknell.

Lasansky is a brilliant artist and teacher who founded the sculpture program at Bucknell. In his 38-year tenure, he exemplified the finest traditions of the university by concurrently achieving the most sophisticated level of mastery as a practicing sculptor while inspiring, challenging, supporting, and training two generations of students.

To celebrate his legacy, it seems fitting that the university launch a campaign to build the major visual arts complex Lasansky and others have long advocated. The complex should include studio arts classrooms and common work areas, featuring the latest tools and equipment. Separate spaces are needed for all contemporary disciplines and media of the visual arts. Personal studios where advanced students could work on large or long-term projects also are needed. In addition to up-to-date art history lecture halls and curatorial studies rooms, we should also construct a state-of-the-art museum to house the university's renowned collection as well as the Samek Art Gallery.

Please join me in congratulating Professor Lasansky for his outstanding contributions to the university commu-

nity and also join me in urging the university to honor his vision of a new home for the visual arts on campus.

Richard Zandler '73
Catonsville, Md.

Editor's Note: Please see the article about William Lasansky on p. 14.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE OF MIND

While I found the article "Flight to Freedom" by Sam Alcorn [January 2006], very interesting, it is technically incorrect.

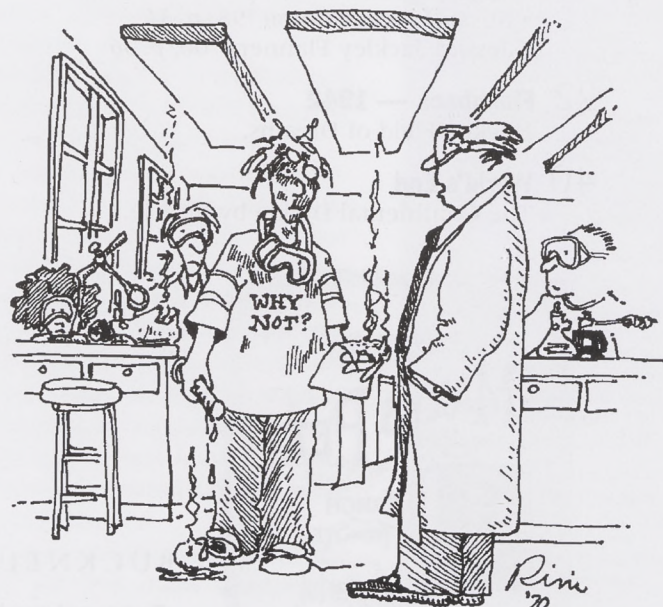
West Virginia was granted statehood in 1863, thus making it difficult (if not impossible) for Charles Bell to have been born there or to have fled from there. Fortunately, he was able to visit his "mammy" there in 1867.

Scott Messing '90
Silver Spring, Md.

Writer's Note: The letter writer, along with William Miles and Ray Wenstrom P'05, are technically correct. It does not diminish the courageousness of Charles Bell whether he escaped from west Virginia, western Virginia, or what had been well on its way toward officially becoming West Virginia. But on an August Sunday night when Mr. Bell sought freedom, he was, indeed, fleeing from "west Virginia."

ERRATA

2004-05 HONOR ROLL OF DONORS
'Ray Bucknell
Richard H. and Jane Gale Hiers '51



"Your team members have voted you out of the tribe and off the island. Please close your laptop and leave the lab immediately."

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Lending Hands in a Disaster Zone



Jim Buck

On the left is Caitlin Scudder '06 and VISTA volunteer Danny Greenawalt on the right.

AFTER HURRICANE KATRINA HIT THE Gulf Coast last August, the Bucknell community looked for ways to help. In October, a truckload of donated supplies was sent to Louisiana. In January, a 25-member student-faculty work crew spent eight days in the disaster zone. Their destination was Waveland, Miss., a beachfront community where 5,000 residents lived amid picture-postcard surroundings, the quiet residential streets shaded by huge, old live oaks — a place that had weathered many hurricanes, but never one like Katrina.

On arriving in Waveland, history major Felicia Desher '07 felt shocked — despite pre-trip briefings — to see such total devastation over so wide an area. “I don’t think anything can really prepare you for what we saw,” she says.

A 50-foot wall of water — the infamous storm surge — leveled everything man-made within 500 yards of the waterfront and deposited the splinters a half-mile inland like so much sea foam. Despite the brutalized landscape, Megan Rowland '06, a psychology major, found the trip

rewarding because it gave her a chance to work directly with hurricane victims like Irma May Johnson, who had asked for help cleaning out her ruined business. Johnson had been a seamstress and maker of porcelain dolls. She was able to salvage the molds she used for doll-making but lost a dozen antique sewing machines, as well as all the clothing and fabric she had stored in the back rooms of her business.

“Hearing people from Waveland talk about their lives, their heartache, their future plans was a highlight for me,” Rowland says. “Hearing their determination motivated me, and I’m so grateful they let me into their lives.”

Other tasks the group took on were working to muck out mud-filled houses, gutting heavily damaged buildings, and staffing the tent from which relief supplies were distributed. Four months after the hurricane, Waveland still did not have a grocery store. A Red Cross chuck wagon that had been providing the remaining residents (roughly 1,000 people, down from 5,000 before Katrina) with one free hot meal a day was about to discontinue service.

Rich and poor alike live in 360-square-foot FEMA trailers. Some residents — those who have managed to clear debris (sometimes including their ruined houses and huge trees) from their yards and who can prove to FEMA that they have undamaged water, power, and sewer hookups — are able to live out of a government trailer on their own property.

Jack and Ivy Tang are among those working to restore their home while living in a trailer beside their driveway. The Tangs fled the area before the storm hit, and sketchy early reports led them to believe their spacious, two-bedroom brick home had been washed away. Although water rose about three feet inside the house, there was no structural damage other than a hole in the roof, now patched with a blue tarp. Tang, who had been an oysterman and shrimper, lost his boats and his livelihood.

The Tangs sent their three children (ages 5, 3, and 2) to live with relatives in California and then went to work, throwing out all their ruined furniture and carpets and removing sodden drywall and insulation. They were eager to make the house livable, because it would mean their children could come home again. But Tang admitted that there were times he felt overwhelmed by the huge task in front of him. With a crew of eight from Bucknell working at his side for two days, his outlook changed for the better.

“This group has restored my faith in humanity,” said Judy Rea, a group leader with Community Collaborations Inc.

Janice Butler, director of Bucknell’s Service Learning program, organized the trip with financial support from the offices of the President and Provost. Butler said a second delegation of volunteers could be going down to the hurricane zone over the summer. — Jim Buck

Bucknell Offers New Joint Degree for Engineers

AFTER TWO YEARS OF PLANNING, Bucknell is offering a brand new degree program in response to engineering students who are looking to expand their educational experiences. The five-year joint-degree program in engineering and management, introduced last November, combines two of Bucknell's strongest programs into one unique educational opportunity. The result is a Bachelor of Science degree in any one of the six engineering programs and a new Bachelor of Management for Engineers degree, comprising eight core management courses. This new degree program increases the number of academic majors offered at Bucknell to 54.

Countless careers incorporate both engineering and management skills, and many Bucknell engineering graduates go on to earn an MBA. As Jim Orbison '75, dean of the College of Engineering, says, "Surveys of our engineering

alumni indicate that about 50 percent of them, five or more years after graduation, are in positions with significant management responsibility, often as engineering project managers but also as division heads, team leaders, founders of new companies, self-employed professional consultants, and the like."

Though this specific program is new to Bucknell, the school is not unfamiliar with the integration of engineer-

ing and management. In 1993, the Institute for Leadership in Technology and Management (ILTM) was founded with the support of trustee Larry Breakiron '52. The 10 engineering and 10 management students who participate annually in the two-summer program engage in a rigorous curriculum that focuses on globalization, ethics, critical thinking, teamwork, communication skills, and leadership.

"The ILTM program was an early, and successful, initiative to integrate engineering and management educational experiences," says Orbison. Since ILTM is a summer program and the new joint-degree program is a five-year academic major, there is a "valid and valuable place for both at Bucknell as the joint-degree program takes the integration of engineering and management education to the next level."

Engineering students in the Class of 2009 can apply to the program this spring. The Class of 2010 will be invited to apply to the program at the end of the 2006 fall semester, and the Class of 2011 will be able to apply directly to this program during the admissions process. Initially, only 10 students will be admitted annually into the program. However, given the high level of interest in both fields, the College of Engineering and the management department are predicting that there will be a competitive applicant pool and a value in expanding the program in the near future.

Orbison says that as we look to the future, "overseas competition and outsourcing are impacting all segments of our economy ... the engineering profession is certainly not independent of the developing global economy. Given this direction, we are confident that a degree built upon the strengths of the hallmark programs at Bucknell will give joint-degree graduates a future filled with opportunities."

— Julia Lyons '08



Terry Wild

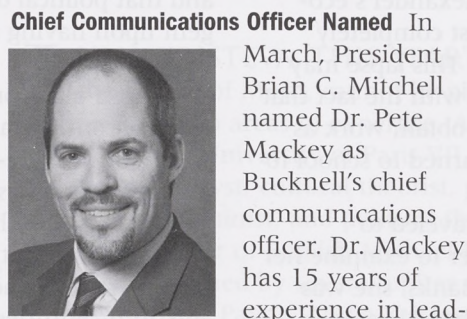
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- Two members of the faculty — Abdallah Abu Eid and Thomas Cassidy — are Fulbright Scholars. Abu Eid, associate professor of law at Birzeit University, is a Scholar-in-Residence in Bucknell's political science department, where he lectures on contemporary political issues in the Arab world. Cassidy, associate professor of mathematics, is one of approximately 850 U.S. faculty and professionals selected to lecture or conduct research abroad. He is lecturing and conducting research in advanced and abstract algebra at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Barbados, during the spring semester.

- In January, Coach Pat Flannery '80 was the overwhelming choice for the Hugh Durham Award as the mid-season, mid-major coach. In his 12th season as head coach, Flannery ranks second only to his former coach, Charlie Woollum, as Bucknell's most winning men's basketball coach. In the award voting, Flannery collected 52 points from a 20-member panel, placing him far in the lead. Sam Houston State's Bob Marlin finished second with 29 votes. Previously known as the College Insider.com Mid-Major Coach of the Year, it was renamed last year to recognize the legendary Hugh Durham.

- The women's track and field and swimming and diving teams captured their fifth and fourth consecutive Patriot League championships, respectively. Track and field head coach Kevin Donner was named the league's Coach of the Year; Christa Sawko '07, the Track Athlete of the Meet; Marjorie Grap '07, the Field Athlete of the Meet; and Kati Dempsey '09, the Rookie of the Meet. The swimmers had two gold medalists, Lectie Altman '06 and Katherine Munson '07, who set a new Bucknell record in the 200 fly in her first-place effort.

BRIEFS



Chief Communications Officer Named In March, President Brian C. Mitchell named Dr. Pete Mackey as Bucknell's chief communications officer. Dr. Mackey has 15 years of experience in leading communications operations in higher education, government, and private philanthropic institutions in the United States and abroad. Most recently, he was director of public affairs at the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation in Virginia, where he created and implemented a comprehensive strategic communications plan. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina and B.A. and M.A. degrees from Case Western Reserve University. He has been published widely, including a scholarly book and articles in both popular magazines and academic journals, and he has produced numerous university publications. "Dr. Mackey comes to us with extensive experience and vision," says President Mitchell. "He will be a key leader in helping to take Bucknell to the next level." He will begin as CCO later this month.

Lacrosse Team Supports Troops The Bucknell men's lacrosse team is helping to make Bucknell the first university in the nation to foster a U.S. military unit in Iraq through the nonprofit

group America Supporting Americans (ASA). The team is working with ASA to reach out to and support a unit of about 100 men and women in the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division, Company A, 506th Regiment. As a fostering group, the students have been soliciting appropriate food, toiletry and entertainment items, and other goods that the troops can use and enjoy. Chris Carillo '06, who is spearheading the campus effort, says the group's action isn't about whether the U.S. should be in Iraq. "It's about men and women our age, giving up their lives for us. Hopefully, this small effort will make their experience more comfortable."



New Faces in Alumni House The Office of Alumni, Parents, and Volunteers welcomes two new staff members. Angela Estes (on the right) will be the assistant director for student and parent engagement. Estes comes from Dartmouth College, where she has been working in advancement since 2000, and can be reached at 570-577-3672. Melissa McBrayer (on the left) will be the assistant director for campus alumni programs. She will coordinate Reunion, Homecoming, and other campus affinity programs and events. Since 2002, she has been the coordinator of student programs at Millersville University and can be reached at 570-577-3227.

Interim APV Director Jim Warren, founder of College Connections Inc., is serving as interim director of the Office of Alumni, Parents, and Volunteers on a part-time basis, devoting 60-80 hours per month to the position. He joined the university in July with Laney Funderburk, senior fellow with College Connections, to do alumni consulting work. Named interim director on Dec. 1, Warren has been working with APV to continue alumni outreach and will assist the new director through the transition. College Connections is a consulting firm that enables schools to elevate their alumni programs by improving communications and increasing alumni participation through

work not only with the alumni office but also with senior administrators, including the university president, and the offices of Admissions, Development, Advancement, and Athletics.



McGee Room Dedicated George McGee '38 was a longtime supporter of Bucknell athletics and a good friend to the university. In turn, his good friends, family, and Bison Club members honored him on Dec. 17 by dedicating a room in his name. The new McGee Room is located on the concourse level of the Sojka Pavilion and will be used for events and gatherings. Twenty members of the McGee family were present for the unveiling of the plaque. Shown here are Pauline McGee, his widow; J.M. Spangler; Charles Pollock '70, vice president for student affairs; Stephen Delong; and Rebecca Delong.

Spring Retirements The following professors will retire at the end of the spring 2006 semester: David Cartwright from mechanical engineering; William Lasansky from art; Gary Sojka, president of Bucknell from 1984-95, from biology; and Aarne Vesilind from civil and environmental engineering.



Antigone Rising ... and Rising ... Antigone Rising, the all-female band that includes two Bucknellian sisters, Cathy '90 and Kristen Henderson '92, has appeared in the pages of *Rolling Stone* and the *Village Voice*, had one of its CDs sold exclusively at Starbucks, and recently opened for the Rolling Stones in Chicago. The band is definitely up and coming. And now it will be appearing at an exciting venue that all alumni will enjoy: Reunion 2006 in Lewisburg! Check out the band at www.antigone-rising.com and on the Reunion website, www.bucknell.edu/reunion.



Rare Finds in Athens As featured in the November 2004 issue of *Bucknell World*, Mark Kampert '05 discovered a 2,500-year-old gold solidus as part of an archeological dig in ancient Agora in Athens. Kevin Daly, assistant professor of classics, is a senior supervisor of the excavation and routinely takes students, such as Kampert, to Greece to participate in the dig. Kampert's gold coin was so remarkable that it was chosen as one of five objects representing American contributions to archeology to be exhibited as a part of the show Foreign Archeological Institutions in Greece: 160 Years of Cultural Cooperation.

In addition, last summer Daly and another archeologist unearthed 400 silver tetradrachmas (see photo above for comparative size of the coins), the largest silver coin find in the excavation's 75-year history. Bonnie Wright '03, an alumna participant, witnessed the moment.

Faculty Profile: NINA BANKS

Kindred Spirits in Economics Very few times in the life of an academic does one experience that "eureka moment," when everything just falls into place.



Gene Maylock

For Nina Banks, assistant professor of economics, just such a moment occurred when she was reading an anthology about African-American feminists. She came across an article on economics by Sadie Tanner Mossell Alexander, who received her Ph.D. at the University of Pennsylvania in 1921. Banks describes the experience of reading the article as "mind boggling."

She says, "Many of Alexander's arguments about women's work were similar to arguments that feminist economists would make at the end of the 20th century."

Despite being the first African-American woman to earn a Ph.D. in

economics in 1921, Alexander's economic views are almost completely unknown in the field. This lapse may have something to do with the fact that she was never able to obtain work as an economist and returned to school to obtain a law degree.

Recently, Banks traveled to Alexander's alma mater to examine her papers. According to Banks, she was "shocked to find out that Alexander didn't abandon her interest in economics. She continued to have a lifelong engagement with economic issues and issues that pertained to African Americans."

Banks discovered a treasure trove of Alexander's speeches spanning the 1920s to the 1960s, containing information about the economic conditions and experiences of African Americans. She recently made a presentation at a national conference laying out some of Alexander's economic theories including her belief that economic justice is a fundamental condition of citizenship

and that political democracy is contingent upon having access to economic justice.

Banks plans on integrating her research on Alexander into a new course on African-American feminist thought. The course will situate Alexander's speeches and writings within the context of other black women feminist activists of the 19th and 20th centuries.

In her own teaching at Bucknell, one of Bank's favorite courses is the Economic History of Women in the U.S. She also is an advisory board member of Bucknell's Center for the Study of Race, Gender, and Ethnicity.

For the future, Banks also is thinking about a project that examines the practices of African Americans in the informal economy, such as people who operate small businesses out of their homes. She'd like to look at how the actions of such people helped to sustain the community. — Ilene Ladd

Sampling Gifts of the Vine

IT'S NICE TO SEE AN ALUM WHO'S SO passionate about his work," said Emily Yoder '06, after the wine-tasting seminar sponsored by the Office of the Dean of Students, University Relations, and Bucknell Dining Services. She was referring to Norm Kiken '64, winemaker and part owner of Reverie Winery, in Napa Valley.

"I'm going to pass on the white zinfandel 'cause I'm a snob," Kiken joked, dismissing "stuffy" wine attitudes with an easy, self-deprecating manner. From there on, the questions flowed as freely as the wine samples supplied by Bucknell alumni David Biggar '82 from Beringer Wines, Ed Farver '69 of Kendall-Jackson, and Kiken's own Reverie Winery (only Kiken was able to attend the actual event).

"What should you look for in a wine's color?" students

asked. "What do the 'legs' of wine left inside a glass indicate?" "When do you eat the cheese?"

"Anytime you want," Kiken replied. "Wine really belongs with food."

And the inevitable question from students was, "What about internships?"

"Frankly, the industry doesn't pay that well," Kiken said, explaining that wine-making is a lifestyle choice.

As for how he ended up in the business himself, Kiken said he bought three different bottles of wine one day and liked the 1970 vintage more than the 1969, then read a magazine article that concurred with his own opinion.

"Oh, my God, I have a palate!" he said, mimicking his surprise at discerning the better wine on his own.

Kiken's instincts are good ones. Reverie Winery was selected as one of the "Upcoming Stars — Wineries to Watch" by Winetoday.com. "Every one of our Reverie wines has gotten an outstanding rating," he said.

Students praised the seminar. "It promotes healthy relationships with alcohol," Yoder said.

The seminar provided the opportunity for students, faculty, and staff to come together for something fun, said Kari Conrad, associate dean of students. "And it's great to have an alum coming back and giving in unique and different ways. An alum who can come back and do this for us is just incredible."

"The fact that he's an alum makes it more interesting," Jenna Yingling '07 said of Kiken. "You can see that it's his passion." A passion that brought members of the Bucknell community together for an evening of fine wine tasting, an education in varietals, and plenty of camaraderie, as well as Reverie. — Cindy Herman



Dave Chen

From left to right are Priya Gupta '06, Norm Kiken '64, and graduate student Matt Mims '04 in the Terrace Room of the Elaine Langone Center.

The Genius Within

JULIA KRISTEVA, THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT OF the Award of Merit, cannot be pigeonholed into one or even two areas of expertise. A professor of linguistics at the University of Paris VII, Kristeva also is a psychoanalyst, cultural theorist, philosopher, novelist, literary critic, feminist, and political theorist. But even this list, says professor of English Michael Payne, "leaves out other fields touched by several of her major essays."

According to Payne, "Julia Kristeva is one of the most prolific and respected of living European intellectuals. The author of more than 25 books, she has the ability to open and to transform any topic she takes up."

Kristeva transformed the Forum in the Elaine Langone Center on Feb. 13 when she gave the lecture, "Is There a Feminine Genius?" She bases her vision of genius on that of the ancient Romans, who believed that genius had nothing in particular to do with exceptional intellectual or artistic talent but instead was the spirit of the person. For Kristeva, genius is a form of self-transcendence, a human potential available to everyone.

Ghislaine McDayter, associate professor of English, says that Kristeva challenges her audience "to refuse to be complacent about even our own intellectual disciplines; to think about how we need to push those, to restructure and question them based on the ideas of theoretical pursuits of other disciplines; and to think about how we need to push ourselves, to rethink, restructure, and challenge our assumptions based on the ideas we learn from other intellectual realms."

The topics of Kristeva's books range from semiotics, Chinese women, the nature of the novel, nationalism, terror, to the history of love.

In being awarded the 2004 Holberg Prize, sometimes referred to as the Norwegian Nobel, the Holberg Memorial Fund said of Kristeva, "With her interdisciplinary approach and her in-depth studies of fundamental properties of human communication and interaction, Julia Kristeva not only transcends the traditional boundaries between academic disciplines, she also demonstrates how advanced theoretical research can play a decisive role in public social and cultural debate in general."

The Award of Merit, given to Kristeva, is the university's highest honor, awarded in recognition of individuals whose exceptional contributions to their professions and communities exemplify the highest standards and aspirations of Bucknell. Previous award winners include former U.S. vice president Hubert Humphrey, literary critic Sir Frank Kermode, poetry scholar Helen Vendler, civil rights activist and chairman of the NAACP Julian Bond, and American philosopher Stanley Cavell. — Ilene Ladd



Julia Kristeva

Student Profile: RYAN BOWER '06

Design in Action An electrical engineer and four-year football letter winner, Ryan Bower '06 has taken on a number of challenging projects during his college career. His senior design project — developing a battery-charged controller for a scientific measuring system used in Antarctica — is one he never thought he would have the chance to complete.

"Scientists in Antarctica are measuring seismic data, and to power seismic devices, they need a clean source of energy, so

they utilize wind turbines and solar panels," Bower says. "We're taking that energy and saving it in batteries."

To create the energy, Bower and a group of four other engineering students must simulate Antarctic conditions by using dry ice. "Our professor, Bruce Long, had originally worked

with the scientists in Antarctica, and we're updating, refining, and creating a new version," he says. "This is one of the senior designs that has a practical real-world use, so that's pretty neat."

Bower's senior design is not the first real-world engineering project he has worked on. He spent last summer helping to develop the hybrid locomotive. As an intern at General Electric Transportation Rail, he assisted in project planning and scheduling for the hybrid locomotive, while also completing design work on the hybrid-power system.

"The internship gave me a wonderful opportunity to see how design and production actually work in a real-world situation," he says. "The hybrid locomotive is very similar to a hybrid car, just scaled up about 100 times in size."

Next year, Bower will work in Baltimore, Md., with Northrop Grumman, an aerospace defense contractor. During his two-year rotation

with the government-funded organization, he may have the chance to work on a new space project.

At Bucknell, his accomplishments extend beyond the classroom. He has served as president of Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society and is a member of Mortar Board Honor Society. He serves as fundraising, grants, and solicitations co-chair for Habitat for Humanity. Bower and a group of Bucknell students traveled to Hawaii last spring break to help build walls and trusses for five homes. He dedicated his spring break to Habitat again this year, traveling to Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

"My most meaningful experience at Bucknell was going to Hawaii," he says. "We met up with some Bucknell alumni, and it was neat to see how generous they were to Bucknell students and how they reached out to us. I hope that I will be fortunate enough in my later years to do the same sort of things for Bucknell students." — Elizabeth Salemme '06



Gene Maylock

Find out what **four alumni doctors** have to say
about some of the **hottest issues in health care today.**

DISPATCHES FROM MEDICINE'S FRONTLINES

TERESA GAWLAS MEDOFF '85

AS A PRE-MED UNDERGRADUATE AT BUCKNELL, Elizabeth "Bethann" Garreau '82 majored in biology and minored in women's studies and French. Many of her class choices were eclectic, she says, but as it turns out, they've been quite useful in her career as an obstetrician/gynecologist.

Garreau is the gynecologist of choice among French-speaking foreign nationals in the Washington, D.C., suburban area. And as for women's studies — what could be more appropriate for a women's doctor?

Indeed, in interviews with four alumni doctors

about controversial issues in medicine today, a common theme emerged: Health care has *everything* to do with many of the subjects taught outside the science building. Economics, politics, sociology, psychology, law, culture, ethics, religion — they all play a part in decisions made every day in research labs, doctors' offices, and hospitals.

Just ask David Scadden '75, who, as co-director of the Harvard Stem Cell Institute, spends much of his time educating politicians and the public about stem cell research; Mark Dembert '71, who tailors public health and disaster response efforts to specific needs of communities; or Jacqueline Cooke '77, who works at an inner-city clinic where 40 percent of patients have no insurance and where illegal immigrants, fearful of being deported, frequently wait until their medical situation is dire before seeking help.

Whether the issue is disaster preparedness and response, skyrocketing malpractice insurance rates, inequities in our health care system, or ethics in medical research, physicians need not only a deep knowledge of medicine but also a far-ranging understanding of social systems and a capacity to empathize with the individual needs of patients.

Nation Still Unprepared for Disasters

As our country tries to understand what went wrong in New Orleans, to head off flu pandemics, and to protect ourselves from continuing threats of terrorism, Mark Dembert has a message for us: When it comes to disaster preparedness, we've got a very long way to go.



Dr. Elizabeth Garreau (on the left)

But it can be done right if we tailor our strategies to particular communities, regions, and states.

During his 27-year career as a Navy doctor, Dembert had significant training and experience in public health/preventive medicine, psychiatry, environmental medicine, and disaster medicine. After retiring from the Navy, he led emergency preparedness and response efforts for the eastern region of Virginia, headed the state's terrorism and disaster behavioral health advisory council and was health director of a large district. He puts that experience to use through his public-health consulting business.

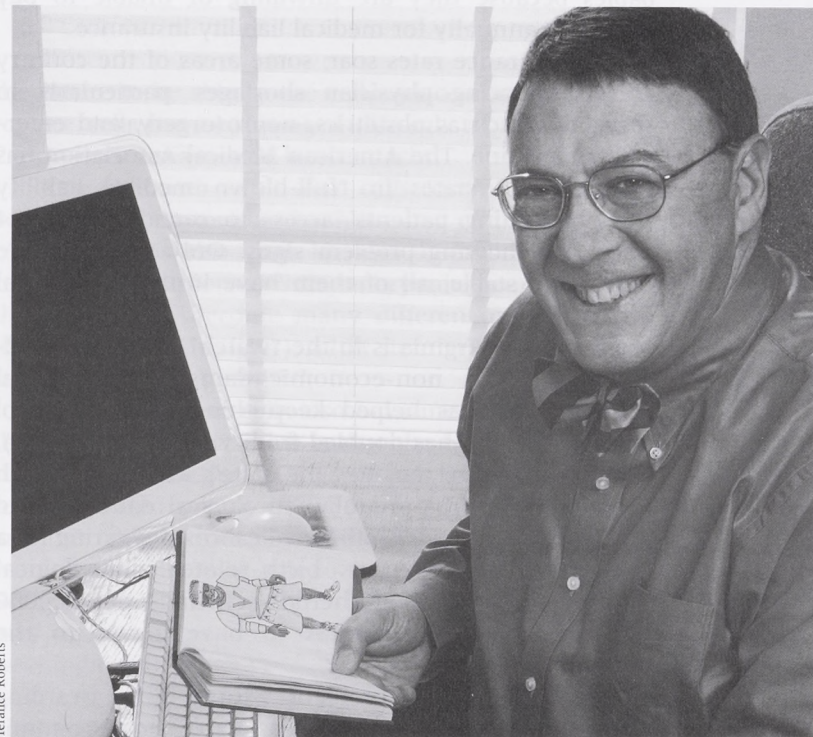
For disaster preparation, Dembert says, too often we are working independently when we should be working collaboratively, and taking top-down approaches when bottom-up efforts would better address a community's needs. "You really need to consider a community's geography, history, government, economy, cultures, housing, transportation, and other unique characteristics and then incorporate these factors into strategies that will be embraced by all sectors of the community," he says.

"Many communities suffer because all these different agencies have developed emergency plans and requirements, but few are networking," he says. So, things fall through the cracks. That's how a situation like the one in New Orleans can occur, a situation where no one seems to have taken into account that the poor, elderly, and disabled would need assistance in evacuating.

**"When it comes to disaster preparedness,
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In addition, our emphasis on preparedness and immediate response shortchanges the equally important stages of recovery and stabilization, Dembert says. Recovery means not only rebuilding physical structures, but also rebuilding lives and communities. Stabilization means not only returning to baseline day-to-day functioning, but also learning from our failings and making changes to ensure that the same mistakes don't happen again.

How do we improve our efforts? First of all, Dembert says, state and local government agencies, hospitals and first responders, health care and social service organizations, public safety groups, faith-based groups, academic institutions, the media, and community organizations, such as local chapters of the American Red Cross, must work together to identify needs, propose solutions, and implement changes. "It's really sort of a dance, and it has to be scripted in some way. Ideally, the



Dr. Mark Dembert

public health director would lead the effort, but he or she must have the mandate and support to make things happen," he says.

The committee's recommendations should be made a matter of public record, he adds, because that makes it harder for the government (or whomever is responsible) to ignore it. "Throughout the process, those who have the ability and ultimate responsibility to bring about change must be kept fully apprised of problems and possible solutions," he says.

Finally, effective communication is imperative. "It's key to understand and empathize with people's fears and concerns, to address their practical questions, and to have a spokesperson who is believable, has a commanding presence, and conveys reassurance."

Dr. Dembert's consulting company, Strategic Public Health Solutions LLC, is based in Boothwyn, Pa. Reach him at 610-357-2408 or SPHSLLC@aol.com.

Out-of-Control Liability Insurance Rates

When Bethann Garreau was attending medical school, it never occurred to her that a course in political lobbying might be useful. But as she's watched malpractice rates for her and other obstetricians/gynecologists quadruple over the last five years, she's become a regular participant in the Medical Society of Virginia's White Coat Days, when doctors descend upon the state capital en masse to talk with legislators about soaring malpractice insurance rates and the need for medical liability reform. "I've told my legislator that if my malpractice insurance goes up one more time, I won't be able to make payroll," Garreau says.

Garreau used to have offices in both Washington, D.C., and Virginia. She closed the D.C. office in 2002 partly because of the cost of malpractice insurance. She knows plenty of ob/gyns who have stopped delivering

babies because they are unwilling or unable to pay \$100,000 annually for medical liability insurance.

As insurance rates soar, some areas of the country are experiencing physician shortages, particularly in specialties such as obstetrics, neurosurgery, and emergency medicine. The American Medical Association has identified 20 states in "full-blown medical liability crisis," affecting patients' access to care. Another 24 states are showing problem signs. Only six states are considered stable; all of them have instituted medical liability reform.

For now, Virginia is in the "watch" category. A \$2-million cap on non-economic damages in medical liability cases has helped keep things under control (though the cap has doubled from what it used to be), Garreau says. So, too, has the state's innovative Birth Injury Program, a no-fault neurological damage fund that assists families with the medical costs of caring for a child born with serious birth-related neurological injuries. Garreau and other obstetricians pay \$5,000 annually for their patients to have access to the program.

Garreau has no problem with a jury awarding economic damages — and reasonable non-economic damages — in cases where a doctor truly was responsible for an injury. The problem lies in the many times when malpractice lawsuits are baseless but juries without sufficient medical knowledge find in favor of the plaintiff. "People have the idea that if something went wrong, somebody must be to blame," she says, but sometimes a doctor can do everything right and the patient still experiences a problem.

That's why Garreau and other doctors would like to see the establishment of so-called health or medical courts, in which judges would have health care training and cases would rely on neutral experts compensated by the court, not by the plaintiff or defense.

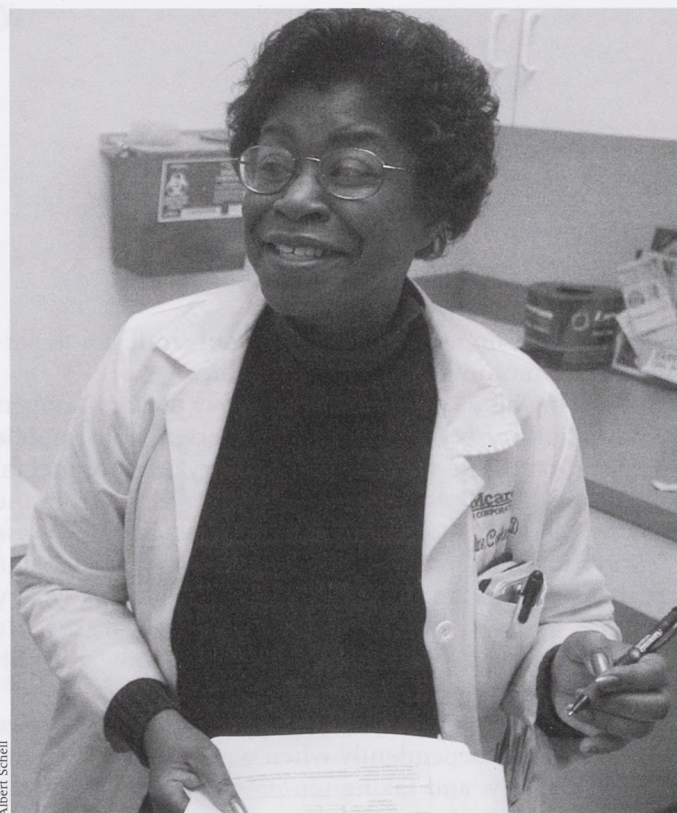
"There are days and moments, like when I sit down with my office manager to go over the books, that I do regret becoming an obstetrician/gynecologist," she admits. "But usually I love my work. I am very personally involved with my patients and staff. I have patients who have been with me for 16 years. I started this practice, and I've put so much effort and love into it.

"If medical liability costs get really bad, I guess I'd move somewhere with a lower cost of living and practice gynecology only. But I really don't want to do that. I don't want to admit that the system beat me."

Dr. Garreau practices obstetrics/gynecology in Fairfax, Va.

Soaring Health Care Costs In 2004, after four consecutive years of double-digit increases in health insurance costs, the annual premium for a family of four in the United States was nearly \$10,000. Employees have seen their share of health insurance premiums rise five times faster than their earnings. Yet they are the lucky ones. Nearly 45 million Americans have no health insurance. A study done by the Kaiser Family Foundation found that 42 percent of Americans "are very worried about not being able to afford health care services." Health care spending in the U.S. accounts for more than 15 percent of gross domestic product, and there's no end in sight to these spiraling costs.

As a staff physician at a federally qualified nonprofit



Dr. Jacqueline Cooke

health center, Jacqueline Cooke frequently treats uninsured and underinsured patients. She sees the childhood immunization gap increasing as the cost of a single shot can top \$100. She sees the patients who don't take their prescriptions because they can't afford them. She sees the unprecedented numbers of patients of all ages and backgrounds who suffer from avoidable type 2 diabetes — and all the health problems that come along with it — because of rampant obesity. She also sees patients who insist on costly and unnecessary diagnostic tests, as well as those who refuse to take care of themselves.

Cooke knows that the reasons for out-of-sight health care costs are many. Treatment advances, expensive equipment, sophisticated diagnostic tests, and the latest and greatest prescription drugs drive up costs. So, too, do our country's unhealthy approaches to eating and exercise and the growing population of adults 65 and older, a group whose health care costs far outstrip those of younger adults. Health-care providers of all types and sizes are inundated by the paperwork. She estimates that billing issues alone consume 10 percent of the staff hours at her clinic.

The way she sees it, there's really only one way out of this financial mess, and that's a universal health care system similar to those in Canada and Britain. But she also doesn't see it happening any time soon. Not when pharmaceutical companies and other self-interested groups with money and power continue to lobby against universal health care. Not when members of Congress enjoy "first-rate, top-notch, never-have-to-pay-anything health care coverage," while everyday Americans pay dramatically more for health care every year.

Cooke is a realist. She knows that health care reform is likely to come in small doses instead of sweeping reforms. State-run health insurance programs for uninsured children are a start, but we need to do a better job

Sculptors Since Bucknell

Although Laansky has focused almost exclusively on graphic since the 1980s, his students have worked in a number of different media, says Dan Mills, director of the Center, who prides

of notifying people of their eligibility, she says. Medical liability reform would decrease the unnecessary use of expensive diagnostic tests. Employers could show as much concern for their employees as they do for their shareholders and assume a greater share of the cost for health insurance. We could all do our part by losing weight, exercising more, having regular checkups, and following our doctors' advice. And it wouldn't hurt, she adds, to lobby our senators and representatives to make improvements in the health care system.

Dr. Cooke is a staff physician at CAMCare Health Corporation in Camden, N.J., and an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey—Robert Wood Johnson Division in Camden.

The Complexities of Stem Cell Research

Few people are as well versed in the controversy over stem cell research as David Scadden, co-director of the Harvard Stem Cell Institute (HSCI) and director of the Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH) Center for Regenerative Medicine. He also is a practicing hematologist/oncologist, who is actively conducting stem cell research.

For him, the choice is clear: "Embryonic stem cell research is a new science with tremendous potential to help those for whom there is no other hope. We have the ethical imperative to move forward with this research — carefully, mindful of people's ethical concerns, but never forgetting the people in need."

Scadden points out that tens of thousands of lives are saved annually in the United States because of bone marrow transplants, a type of stem cell therapy for lymphoma and leukemia that was developed through decades of research into adult stem cells. Doctors hope in

the future to be able to use cell replacement therapy to replace cells lost or damaged through type 1 diabetes, Parkinson's disease, and heart attacks.

Research with adult stem cells continues today, in Scadden's laboratory and others, but embryonic stem cell research is also vital, he says, because adult stem cells have limitations. While embryonic stem cells have the capacity to become many different types of cells (heart, nerve, skin, liver), adult stem cells do not seem to have the same potential.

Embryonic stem cells also have medical limitations, the most serious of which is that the body might reject the foreign tissue, just as organ transplant recipients can reject donated organs. "Given the ethical controversy and the complexities of using embryonic stem cells, it would be terrific to be able to use only adult stem cells," Scadden says, but thus far scientists have not found a way to reprogram adult stem cells, although they are working on it.

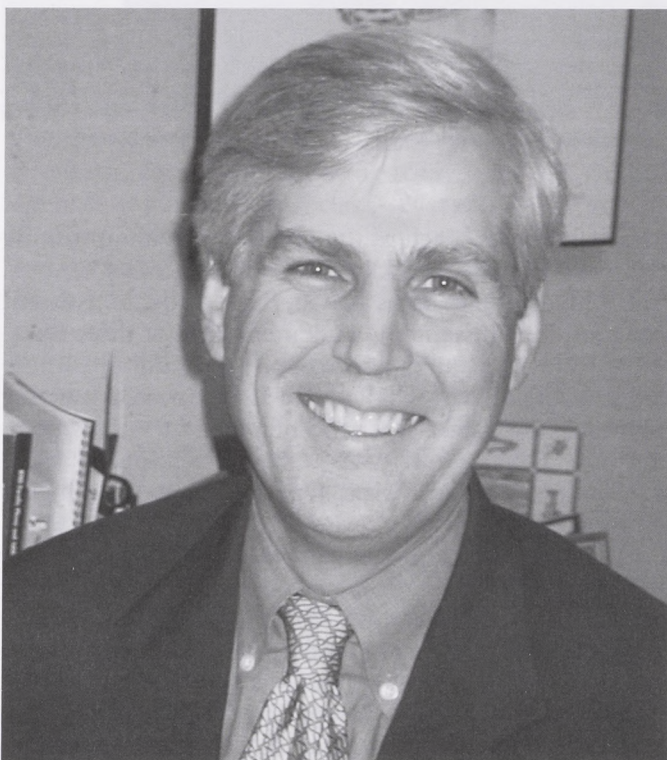
"Thousands of lives are saved annually in the United States because of bone marrow transplants, a type of stem cell therapy."

Most scientists agree that by limiting its research funding to human embryonic stem cells derived before August 2001, the federal government is compromising the advancement of the science. Private funding sources enable scientists at HSCI to continue embryonic stem cell research, but many other research facilities do not have the money to proceed, he says. In addition, "a lot of talented young people have been frightened away from this type of research" because of funding difficulties and uncertainty about whether the research itself will be criminalized.

A large part of Scadden's work at HSCI and MGH Center for Regenerative Medicine involves educating others about the science and its potential. He has testified before U.S. Senate and House committees and is frequently interviewed in the media. "For the most part, people who are knowledgeable about the care with which this research is being done recognize the need for it to continue," he says. "There will always be people who, for ideological reasons, will object to it. But while the debate continues about the proper dignity to afford a transferred nucleus or a frozen embryo, we must not forget those whose dignity is extracted every day by intractable diseases."

Dr. Scadden has served as director of the Massachusetts General Hospital Center for Regenerative Medicine since its founding in March 2003. He was named co-director of the Harvard Stem Cell Institute when it was established in April 2004 and has been on the Harvard faculty since 1988.

Theresa Gawlas Medoff '85 is a freelance writer and frequent contributor to Bucknell World.



Dr. David Scadden

**William Lasansky bids adieu to teaching
but will continue sculpting black granite in his studios
in Lewisburg and Maine.**

LASTING IMPRESSIONS

CHRISTINA MASCIERE WALLACE

IN 1968, WILLIAM LASANSKY WAS A TALENTED YOUNG sculptor who could have joined the faculty of any number of well-known art programs. He chose Bucknell, a school that offers no bachelor's degree in fine arts, where he set about building a sculpture program from scratch.



From left to right are Jon Riedeman, Richard Zandler, James Calvin, Bruce Lindsay, William Lasansky, Peter Bevis, Georgia Gerber, Bob Marsh, William Bennett, Allen C. Topolski, and Eric Troffkin. The sculpture, Boat Stone, is one of Lasansky's new works.

Over the next 38 years, Lasansky would find in his students a rich new medium in which to make lasting impressions. Whether they were pursuing a career in the arts or just sampling an introductory class as an elective, under his guidance they learned to see the world through different eyes and trust their ability to make things happen.

Although Lasansky remains as productive an artist as ever, it is the twilight of his academic career and his final semester of teaching. This spring, the Samek Art Gallery presented a solo exhibition, "Carving in Context II: Granite Carving by William Lasansky." The works showcased his ability to give voice to mute blocks of Maine granite, whose strong natural form is retained even as portions are highlighted through graceful relief carving and polishing.

Paired with his exhibit was "Sculptors Since Bucknell," a show featuring the works of 10 of his

former students. Each of the artists in the alumni show had worked with Lasansky in an apprenticeship of sorts. The university sponsors a two-year, graduate-assistant program for outstanding students in one of three disciplines — printmaking, photography, or sculpture. These students are able to build a body of work while learning alongside a working artist and helping in the classroom. For the 10 alumni featured in "Sculptors Since Bucknell," the work was a personal tribute to a highly admired mentor.

Such a university-backed opportunity is unusual for students who have graduated and a unique learning experience, Lasansky says. "The students are able to stay here, work hard, fill up their portfolios, and have a good chance to get into the graduate school of their choice, which gives them a running start." He estimates that over half of his former student assistants are studio artists, teachers, or museum administrators.

Sculptors Since Bucknell

Although Lasansky has focused almost exclusively on granite since the 1980s, his students have worked in a number of different media, says Dan Mills, director of the Samek, who praised Lasansky's impressive knowledge of media and techniques, a hallmark of his teaching. That was apparent in the diverse materials and styles represented in the student show, which included a wire sculpture of Dizzy Gillespie, delicate cast-bronze songbirds, and gold-leafed satellite dishes.

The "Sculptors Since Bucknell" were William Bennett '70, Peter Bevis '75, James Calvin '81, Georgia Gerber '77, Bruce Lindsay '83, Jonathan Riedeman '81, Allen Topolski '86, and Richard Zandler '73, as well as two artists — Bob Marsh (2000–02) and Eric Troffkin (1991–93) — who graduated from Kutztown University and Amherst College, respectively, but spent time at Bucknell working with Lasansky. All returned to campus on Jan. 28 to participate in a panel discussion with their former mentor, which drew a standing-room-only audience at the Samek.

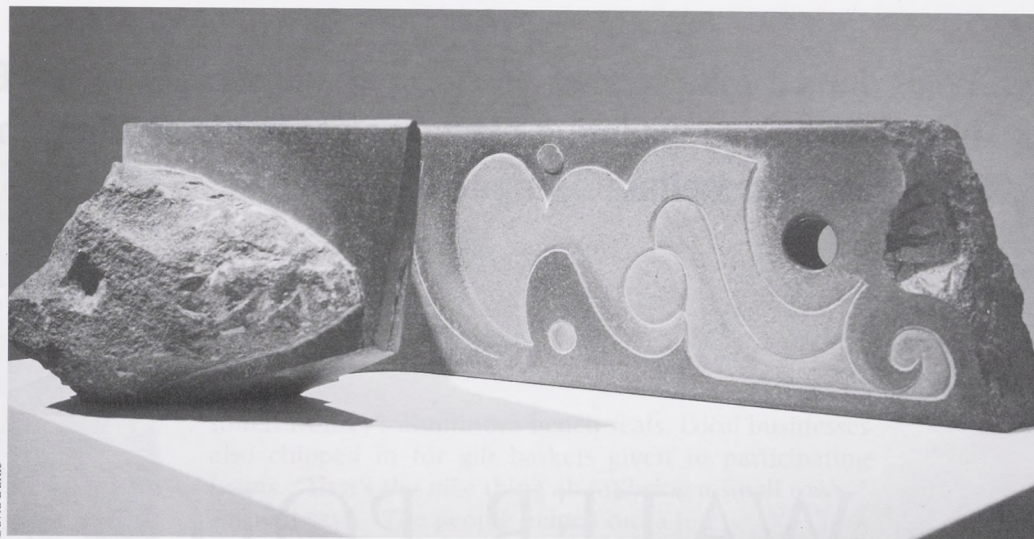
The accomplishments of the "Sculptors Since Bucknell" are the fruition of Lasansky's teaching efforts — whether set in the classroom, at a blazing foundry, over coffee at 1 a.m. in the Bison, or during dinner with his family at their Lewisburg home, an old schoolhouse that his students helped him gut and renovate. "Everyone can do creative work," Lasansky says. "Whether that becomes really meaningful, to the point where their life is transformed — that's your legacy as a teacher, when you realize you've made a difference to some people."

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The Legacy of a Teacher "All of these assistants have a different story to tell about William," says Bennett, Lasansky's first assistant, who is an associate professor of sculpture at the University of Virginia. "When I got into his class, everything in my life changed. Most art teachers separate themselves and their practice as artists from their jobs as teachers. But in those early days at Bucknell, it was much more of a permeable membrane."

Troffkin, who directs graduate studies and teaches sculpture at Washington University in Saint Louis, was deeply impressed by the freedom that Lasansky gave his students. "What Bucknell and William provided me was a period of two years to experiment in the studio in the most idealistic sense," he says.

Lasansky stressed the importance of tapping a great variety of skills and ultimately becoming a capable person, Troffkin adds. "He'd recount stories of students of his who went on to do all kinds of different things, because they felt they could, because they'd made things from beginning to end. A sense of, yes, I can do this. His students have a sense of their own ability to learn and to handle whatever comes up on their own."



Yoke Stone, 2003. Black granite. 26 x 14 x 8" by William Lasansky.

Gerber, a studio artist who casts bronze in her own foundry on Whidbey Island, Wash., is a perfect example of the lasting confidence Lasansky instills in students. During her years on campus, before the university built an outdoor foundry, Lasansky taught students to build some of their own equipment — even burners for firing the kiln, made from pipe-fitting parts purchased from the local hardware store.

"Because of William, there wasn't even a question that I would find some property and build a studio/foundry after grad school," Gerber says.

Songs of Sculpture Lasansky's faith in his students' potential stands out for Zandler, who directs the Montpelier Arts Center in Laurel, Md. "William really trusted students to accomplish very sophisticated things, sometimes even working with hazardous materials, that you wouldn't really expect in an undergraduate situation or at schools without big graduate programs," he says. "That's one of the great things about Bucknell — that undergraduates are expected to be trustworthy. It was extraordinarily helpful in our development. We worked very closely with the foremost practitioners in our areas. I think that's very typical of Bucknell, possibly because it's a school that doesn't have many graduate programs. It's a strength."

Lasansky's attention and efforts aren't reserved for elite art students. His fundamental sculpture classes were popular with non-art majors as well, and he occasionally hears from them. Many are practicing architects, and quite a few are dentists, he notes.

"You hope that doing something creative gives you more versatility and perhaps more options in terms of how you approach problem solving," Lasansky says. "I've never taught a class where there's a right or a wrong. It's always individually tailored, so that students can figure out how they can best work with their ideas and techniques. It's all a big conversation between the student and the materials and the knowledge."

After this semester, Lasansky will continue that unhurried conversation, dividing his time between his studios in Lewisburg and Maine, whose quarries yield the black granite that speaks to him — and to others in songs of sculpture, freed from ancient rocks by his hands. *W*

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What does it take to host an NCAA championship meet? Bucknell spent three years preparing for the men's water polo Final Four held at the Kinney Natatorium last December.

WATER POLO, ANYONE?

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FOR THE STANFORD UNIVERSITY MEN'S WATER POLO team, the walk from the team bus to the locker room at Bucknell's Kinney Natatorium on Dec. 4 spanned just a couple hundred feet. But with the temperature below freezing and a dusting of snow on the ground, the players zipped their jackets, donned wool caps, and

braced themselves against the wintry wind. Their opponents from the University of Southern California made a similar entrance, but according to Trojans senior goalie Don Ricci, the weather was a welcome change.

"We actually like it a lot," Ricci said. "Being in L.A., with the hot weather, it's nice to experience the Christmas atmosphere here."

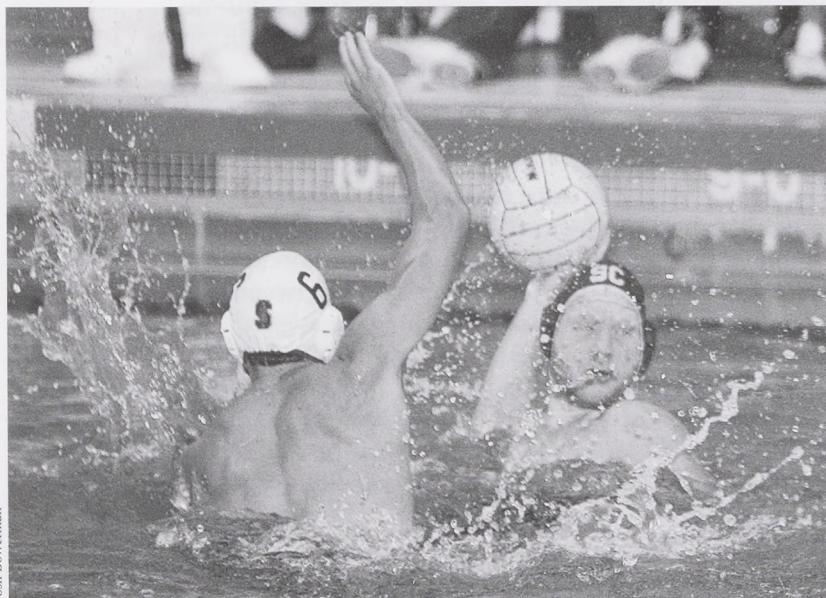
No, the nation's top water polo players did not fly 3,000 miles to watch the Lewisburg holiday parade on Market Street. They were in town for the NCAA Final Four, the first intercollegiate national championship ever hosted by Bucknell. And while the setting might have seemed odd for a showdown of two California powerhouses in a primarily West Coast sport, the action

at Bucknell's state-of-the-art pool lived up to its national billing.

USC and Stanford, which had met four times during the season, let their familiarity with each other show as the players jockeyed for position and open shots in the championship game. Each team scored once in the first quarter, but after USC took a 2-1 lead early in the second, the defenses took control, keeping the nets clear for 14 consecutive minutes. Stanford finally broke the drought in the fourth quarter, knotting the score at 2-2. With 3:10 left in the game, USC's Pavol Valovic skipped a low, left-handed shot off the water and into the goal for the game-winning score, leading the Trojans to their second national championship in three years.

The weekend's game action filled two afternoons, but preparations for the Final Four required more than three years of planning, starting shortly after the university finished construction on its new aquatics facility.

Three Years of Planning Bucknell submitted its proposal to host the 2005 Final Four during the fall of 2002, according to Tim Pavlechko '91, senior associate director of athletics. At the time, it seemed an unlikely candidacy. Of the 46 NCAA schools that play men's water polo, half are in California, with teams from that state winning every NCAA men's title since the championship's inception in 1969. The Final Four had not been held outside California since 1997, when it drew a relatively small audience in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; the Northeast had not seen a title game since 1977, when Brown University hosted. Kinney Natatorium's capacity, which grew to 740 fans, including deck seats, for the Final Four, pales in comparison to the seating for 2,500 or more at West Coast outdoor facilities like the Avery Aquatic Center at Stanford, host of three of the four championships from 2001 to 2004.



University of Southern California's Ted Zepfel, on the right, helped USC clinch the 2005 championship title.



The weather may have been cold, but the West Coast audience was raring to go.

The NCAA Men's Water Polo Committee gave Bucknell's proposal a thorough review, making a site visit and following up on details. "We felt that if they kept asking us questions, at least we were still in the hunt," says Pavlechko, who was familiar with the process from prior experience working at the NCAA's home office. Bucknell's new facility and location turned out to be its greatest assets when the committee made its choice in September 2003. "In the end, it was their decision to get some geographic diversity in where they have their championship meet," Pavlechko says. "Their goal is always to grow the sport and expand it into different areas."

The sport's West Coast contingent eventually warmed to the idea. Three of the four participating schools (USC, Stanford, and Loyola Marymount) were from California, and players said they enjoyed the experience. Peter Varellas, a Stanford senior playing in his fourth Final Four, was happy to play a role in spreading the word about the game. "Hopefully, there are some locals out here who are seeing really high-level water polo for the first time," he said, after his team's thrilling 7-6 semifinal win over Loyola Marymount.

Pam Arnold, the university's aquatics director, took charge of the planning process shortly after Bucknell was named host. Since the Kinney Natatorium's opening, she has coordinated a range of events, including the Pennsylvania state high school swimming and diving championships, which attracted more than 1,500 athletes during Bucknell's spring break. For the Final Four, Arnold's planning challenge was quality, not quantity. She traveled to the 2004 Final Four at Stanford, as well as to the 2005 Final Four for women's water polo at the University of Michigan last spring, to glean helpful tips. Bucknell's aim, she says, was to provide the student-athletes with the best possible experience in their brief time on campus. Each team was assigned a host to handle any unanticipated details. For players, Arnold included Final Four ski caps in their welcome packs — "I figured it couldn't hurt," she says — and all fans received complimentary seat cushions to

soften Kinney's aluminum bench seats. Local businesses also chipped in for gift baskets given to participating teams. "That's the nice thing about being a small town," Arnold says. "The people helped out a lot."

A Close-knit Community Like Lewisburg, college water polo has a close-knit community atmosphere, short on the pretenses of higher-profile sports. In the pool, the rivalries are as intense as the sport's demands for physical strength and stamina, but away from competition, friendships from high school and club teams resurface. The atmosphere at the pre-tournament banquet in Larison Dining Hall was light-hearted and collegial.

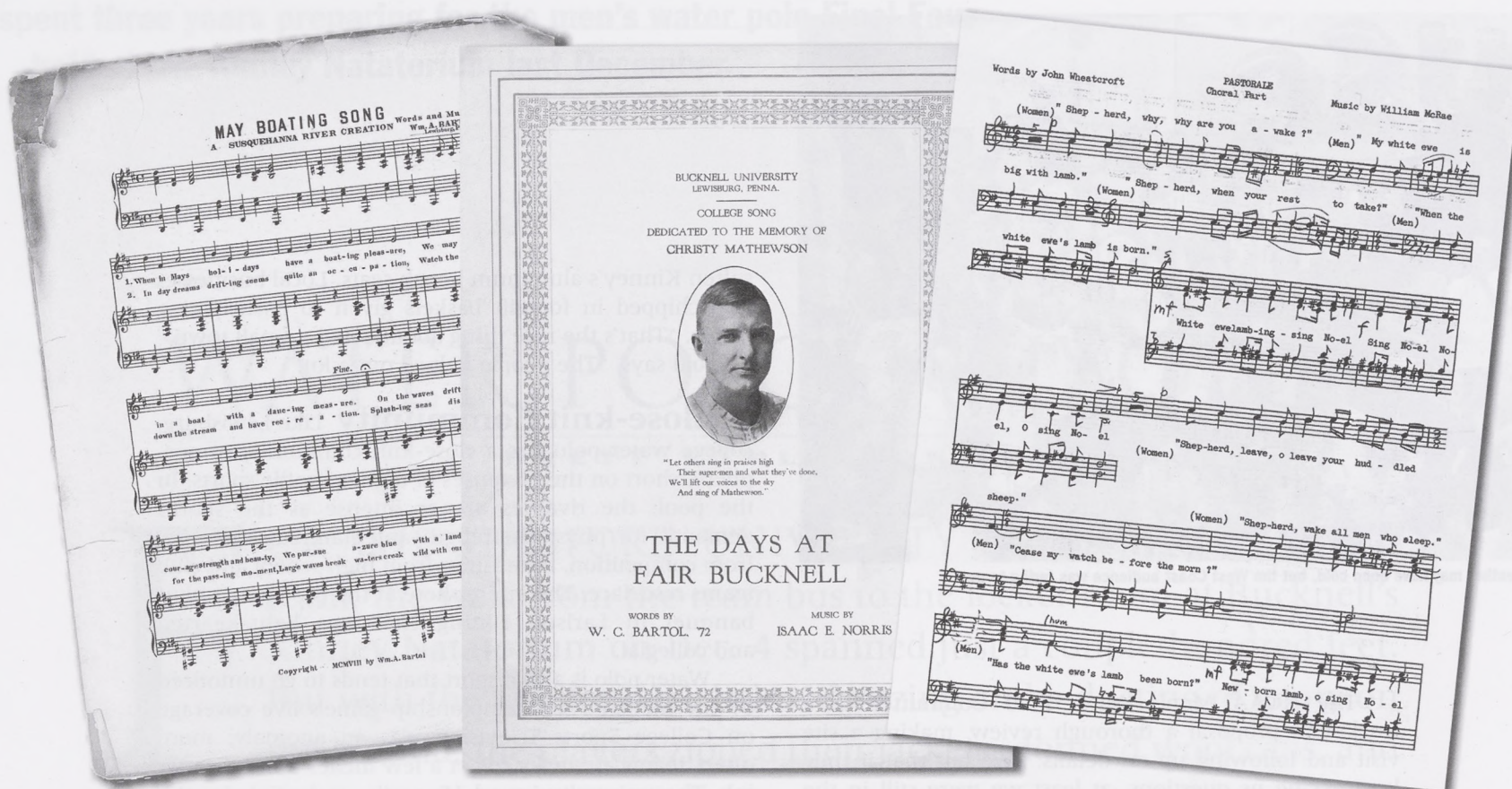
Water polo is also a sport that tends to go unnoticed by the media. The championship game's live coverage on College Sports Television was an anomaly; more often, teams are lucky to get a few inches of newspaper ink. The university issued 15 media credentials for the Final Four. By contrast, more than 70 credentials were handed out to reporters and photographers at the Bucknell-Villanova men's basketball game played a few days later at Sojka Pavilion. After St. Francis College of Brooklyn, N.Y., the tournament's lone participant from the Northeast, lost to USC in the semifinals, coach Carl Quigley thanked reporters for taking the time to cover water polo.

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Before the Final Four, Bucknell men's and women's water polo coach, John Zeigler '91, predicted an "arena feel" to the tournament, and the sold-out gathering of fans obliged, echoing chants and cheers. The loudest celebration came when the victorious Trojans tossed Valovic in the pool for a celebratory swim. Several Bucknell water polo alumni had prime seats to see the action, and the only missing piece to the weekend, it seemed, was an appearance by the Bison. The university has a distinguished history in men's water polo that includes five NCAA appearances between 1977 and 1985. This year, the Bucknell men challenged for a Final Four bid, losing in the Eastern semifinals by a goal to Navy, which went on to lose a one-goal game to St. Francis. But Zeigler, who was named to the NCAA men's water polo committee in 2004, was still thrilled to have the game's biggest event on campus. "It's great for the sport here," he says, "and it's great for Bucknell." *W*

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Backward Glance



THE SINGING COLLEGE

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BACK IN THE DAYS OF "BRAVE OLD Main," in the mid-1800s, when only a few buildings comprised the main campus, Bucknell was known as a singing college. Without television, Xboxes, or the Internet, Bucknell students entertained themselves with music.

"Evening entertainment is just different now," says Jackson Hill, professor of music and award-winning composer. "There are all these things people are into now that they weren't in the era before TV caught on. People would study, then make music when they would break with their studies."

In the 19th and 20th centuries, many members of Bucknell's student body and faculty composed and performed original music, typically about the college.

When the Weis Center opened in 1988, former university archivist William Weist wrote an article, "Premiere Performances at the 'Singing College.'" In it, he said that the teaching and performance of music originated at Bucknell's Female Institute, while at the all-male college and academy, rhetoric and declamation were emphasized. However, in 1852, the university appointed Melvin Malcom — son of then-President Howard Malcom — to teach vocal music and piano at the male college. By the 1855 Commencement, Malcom and his students were able to perform.

During the next few decades, several traditions began, including the establishment of a church choir, the hiring of pianists and teachers, the founding of the first College Glee Club, and the construction of a 1,000-seat

Opera House in Lewisburg, Weist wrote. Annual Commencement became an event during which students could showcase their talents, including the performance of original songs.

In the mid-19th century, Robert Lowry, Class of 1854, became Bucknell's first alumnus to gain worldwide fame. The prolific musician composed mostly hymns, but also some songs for Bucknell, including "A Song for the Orange and Blue." Lowry also wrote songs for Pi Beta Phi sorority and Phi Kappa Psi, the first fraternity founded at Bucknell.

By the 1880s, writing original music had become a tradition at Bucknell. The first *Bucknell Song Book*, published in 1897, included "Dear Bucknell," written by Samuel Sears Merriman, Class of 1886, which remains Bucknell's alma mater today.

William Bartol, Class of 1872, professor of math and astronomy from 1881–1927 and university historian from 1928–40, along with Paul G. Stoltz, director of the music department from 1908–13, had a great deal of influence on the music at Bucknell.

"The Days at Brave Old Main," written by Bartol and arranged by Stoltz in 1908, was the Bucknell alumni song sung for nearly half a century prior to its publication. The song was written "in memory of the presidents who successively held sway over the university in the days of stately Old Main — Taylor, Malcom, Loomis, Hill, Harris, Hunt, and Rainey." To the devastation of many, "Brave Old Main" (now Roberts Hall) caught fire and nearly burned to the ground in 1932.



William Bartol 1872



Mary Bartol Theiss 1894

Stoltz and Bartol also combined efforts to compose "The Varsity Sir," dedicated to Emory W. Hunt, Bucknell's president from 1919-31.

Bartol also helped compose "The Days at Fair Bucknell," dedicated to Bucknell students and baseball Hall-of-Famer Christy Mathewson. Bartol wrote the lyrics, and Isaac E. Norris wrote the music for the song.

Musical entertainment at Bucknell expanded in 1886, when the university opened Bucknell Hall. Originally built as a chapel, the facility later became space for theatrical and musical productions. By 1888, women were admitted to Bucknell, and in 1889, an orchestra for men and women was formed.

Soon after the admittance of women, gifted female musicians such as Mary Bartol Theiss, Class of 1894, daughter of Bartol, began to compose and perform music. Some of Theiss' compositions include "Fair Bucknell" and "Oh Susquehanna Fair!"

By June 1921, Bucknell's 75th Anniversary Songbook was published. It included eight songs about Bucknell, written by people affiliated with the university, including Bartol ("Play Up, Bucknell, Play" and "Loyal Sons of Old Bucknell") and Theiss ("From Bucknell Jubilee Song" and "Here's to Our Own Bucknell").

According to Hill, these songs were only intended for a Bucknell audience. "All colleges had an array of songs that were primarily sung at that particular college," he says. "Until the 1960s, fraternities did a lot of the singing."



The early- to mid-20th century brought the rise of "very influential" a cappella groups, according to Hill. Often, Bartol, Stoltz, and Theiss wrote music for these groups to perform.

"There was a lot more recreational music going

on," Hill says. "Today, we do have rock groups and a cappella groups, but there were still a lot more groups back then."

At this time, songs were written by Bucknellians for more than just vocal groups to perform. Melvin LeMon, associate professor of music from 1933 through 1943, wrote the two Bucknell pep songs "Go! Bisons" and "Ray Bucknell," which the Bucknell pep band continues to play today. LeMon, associate professor of music from 1933-43, served as the first director of the Bucknell Band and the first director of any college band in the nation to select a woman as a drum major, Bernice Henry Rathmell '39.

Other prolific songwriters in the mid-20th century were William McRae and John Wheatcroft '49. McRae, a member of the music department from 1936-79 and chair of the department for several terms in the 1960s and 1970s, wrote a number of songs, including "Psalm 121 Harold Flammer Choral Series," dedicated to the University Chapel Choir in 1957.

Wheatcroft, an acclaimed poet, novelist, playwright and critic, joined the Bucknell English department in 1952. Mostly a poet, Wheatcroft, who was also the first director of the Stadler Center for Poetry in 1988, wrote the lyrics to several songs.

Also at Bucknell during Wheatcroft's tenure was Hill, who wrote the "Baccalaureate Hymn" in 1974. Hill joined the faculty in 1968 and headed the music department from 1980 through 1990. The winner of 38 prizes and awards for his compositions, Hill said that music is not as popular today as it once was at Bucknell.

"Music at Bucknell over the years has become a stronger academic subject, and the music ensembles have become more professionally involved and the performances more polished than in the past," he says. "The role once carried by the traditional glee clubs is now filled by the numerous student a cappella groups."

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John Wheatcroft '49



Jackson Hill

A PORTAL TO OLD FRIENDS — *my*BUCKNELL



DON'T BOTHER ME WITH ONE more website, you might think. I don't have time! But therein lies the beauty of *my*Bucknell — one site with all the information you need.

"It's the one place to go for Bucknell information," says Lisa Veloz, Information Service and Resources technology support leader. "If you didn't have it, you'd have to go to several different screens."

Veloz says that *my*Bucknell is a portal that guides you to places on the web. Accessing it is simple:

- Go to Bucknell's main website (www.bucknell.edu).
- Click on "Alumni."
- Enter your username and password in the prompt box.

For help with lost or forgotten passwords, call the *my*Bucknell helpline at 570-577-2586, or email alumni@bucknell.edu.

And let the fun begin.

"The most basic function is that it serves as the online alumni directory," says Carolyn Hoyt '87, director of advancement and information services. "Every living alum for whom Bucknell has an active address is listed. Alums can set up their own record or choose not to be included."

Basic information can be updated online, while family and employment updates must be sent to

Bucknell via a link to records@bucknell.edu. This helps to ensure uniformity of data, which can be an asset in doing searches.

Say you remember an old buddy who worked for an airline, but you don't know which one. Type "airline" into the search box, and all Bucknell alumni in that field who have chosen to provide that information in their profile will be listed. If your buddy supplied it, you'll find him or her — which leads to another valued feature in *my*Bucknell: security.

"Because you have to log in, it's secure," Veloz says. "We would never put the Bucknell directory in a public access space, but we can put it in *my*Bucknell because it's secure." She recalls searching the online directory to help four classmates find the fifth member of their group during a Reunion Weekend and what fun it was for them to finally contact their old friend.

"The Bucknell website is for the public," Hoyt says, "*my*Bucknell is exclusively for the Bucknell community."

The *my*Bucknell site is composed of boxes called "channels." Each channel addresses possible interests — alumni directory, career information, upcoming events, athletics. You start with a generic offering of channels, and then, if you want, you can add more from a list of hundreds in order to customize your site to your needs. Want to follow baseball, but not basketball? Need to know times and dates of upcoming theatre productions? Curious to know the weather at your alma mater? Whatever piques your interest can be listed on your *my*Bucknell screen. One click, one screen, unlimited information.

In addition to the alumni directory and the variety of channels, *my*Bucknell posts timely, pertinent information.

"We saw a doubling of the number of alumni logins the day after the Strategic Plan was posted," Hoyt says. About 23 percent of the total alumni body have logged on to *my*Bucknell in its first year of operation.

An email forwarding address is a timesaving benefit that forwards email, no matter how often your destination address is changed. You can set up your email forwarding account, which uses your *my*Bucknell user name, at any time. Alumni in search of a job can look up job opportunities posted by fellow alums or contact alumni who have specifically said they'd be willing to talk to people in their field, an invaluable networking benefit.

"I think most alums really loved Bucknell and have fond memories of the people and the place," Hoyt says. And for them, *my*Bucknell can be a portal to missed and fondly remembered friends. — *Cindy Herman*

Class Notes

Items in Class Notes have been compiled from reports by class reporters or from newspapers, press releases or letters to University Relations.

If you have information to pass along to classmates and friends, send a letter or a postcard to: Class Notes, *Bucknell World*, Bucknell University, Lewisburg, PA 17837. If you are moving, please notify *Bucknell World* of your change of address. If you are submitting information on fellow alumni, please include your name and address for verification. Items submitted anonymously will be discarded.

You may email your information to *Bucknell World* at bworld@bucknell.edu or directly to your class reporter if an email address appears in the address block.

Deadlines

Items submitted to the class reporters between now and June 1 will appear in the September 2006 issue.

Reunion

Classes celebrate Reunion every five years from the date of graduation, but the alumni office reminds everyone that Reunion is open to all Bucknell alumni regardless of graduation year. Special Reunion celebrations for the next year include:

2006 Classes of 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001.

2007 Classes of 1947, 1952, 1957, 1962, 1967, 1972, 1977, 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002.

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I hear from **Joe Bellmeyer** that he was honored by Wesley College by having a building named after him. The Dr. Joseph Bellmeyer Wesley College Honors Residence will provide quarters for honor students.

Congratulations, Joe. You have joined the exclusive fraternity of elderly clergymen who have buildings named after them. My church, the First Congregational Church of Madison, named its Church House after me.

Joe also says he is enjoying life and his only medication is still only one aspirin a day. I wish I could say the same.

Some time ago I received a note from Dudley Davis that his mother, **Edith "Dee" Pancoast Davis**, is alive and pretty well. For the past 70-plus years she has lived on her 139-acre farm. She enjoys watching the corn and soybeans grow and mature. She has three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and enjoys playing bridge. — F.A.B.

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As I watched the Bucknell-Duke basketball game, I felt a sense of pride in my school's

team. The announcer was very complimentary to Bucknell, particularly **Chris McNaughton '07**. That game took me back to old Tustin Gym where I happily observed many games.

I must confess with appreciation that the last class report was woven by the Class Notes editor, when I sent her the news from classmates and begged off composing the report myself; I was suffering a series of weather-related sinus headaches.

I have heard from **Ann Orr Deschanel** about her extended family Thanksgiving dinner at her grandson's house in New York. One of the guests was **Linda Mercier '65**. The group enjoyed cheering for Bucknell's win over Syracuse.

In November, Ann sent another card from her "travel collection," reporting a phone call from **Jane Le Mon**.

Two letters from **Emily Torbert** also have arrived to brighten my day. Emily uses a walker at 92, as do I, but is still driving her car, a pleasure I've given up.

Emily writes that there are five Bucknellians in residence at the Mitchellville, Md., home where the Torberts live. The others are **John Lees '58**, **Barbara Hall '49**, **Dorothy White Moyer '40** and **Charles Morris '37**. Charlie and son entertain with their clarinets every Friday.

Trudy Carey's niece, **Laura Callahan '81**, writes that she peruses the '35 class column often. Her aunt is still travel-fascinated; their bond is not only family-oriented, but also Bucknell-bred. Laura is the mother of two daughters. May they be Bucknell-bound in a few years.

Thanks to all who help with this report. — J.H.M.

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Thanks to **Allen Bogert**, who writes, "I'm sorry that the Class of '37 left you 'swinging in the breeze.' Perhaps, as in my case, their handwriting at this point has lost all it learned from the little red Palmer Method book of 1927." He also reports that after 10 years in Mobile, he "returned to civilization," moving to suburban Minneapolis where he says it is so friendly that even two supermarket lady cashiers gave him a big welcome hug.

Al says that healthwise he's fine; two pills a day and an exercise routine keeps him in shape as long as he doesn't over-exert. He still sails, arriving at his new home in time to get in a little sailing before season end, "but racing reluctantly dropped by request." He sends his best regards to all, and adds a P.S.: "Sorry my handwriting deteriorates as I write." So, what's new? Thanks, Al.

On the evening of the Duke-Bucknell basketball game, **Bill '57** and **Cynthia Orr Cline '60** hosted a small intimate dinner party for game viewing, including **Maralyn Murphy Ortlieb '54** with **Joe Ortlieb '52** and **Gerry McLaughlin '59** with his wife, Anne, who, while not a Bucknellian, spent beaucoup time on campus during Gerry's courting in the late '50s. Ginny and I were

also there representing the real old generation. Glad we are still able to get around with little problem.

On Dec. 23, it was our turn to host a small dinner party, an annual Christmas event for each couple, at Philadelphia Country Club with guests **Geoff '54** and **Bobbie Folk Mynott '56** and **Bill '56** and **Carol Wanamaker Lenker '56**.

Walt Weidemann '39 has moved into a second residence, Wellington, a total care facility at the Hershey's Mill location, where he spends time while not in Ocean City, looking over the potential personnel.

Still awaiting more of you from '37 to come forth with news. — C.V.

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Dear classmates, it is hard to believe that we graduated 68 years ago, but here we are and many of us are reaching 90 years old. I haven't heard from many of you; if it's arthritis or something else, dictate a message and send it to me.

I received a lovely Christmas card from **Isabelle Clouser**, who is still volunteering in the League of Women Voters office and at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

I was sorry to receive a death notice for **Mary Evelyn Hudson Rooker**, who died May 21, 2005. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi and active in CA and Mixed Chorus. She retired from teaching in the Pine-Richland School District in Gibsonia, Pa., in 1978. Her husband, William, preceded her in death. She is survived by three children, Bill, Carol and Judy, five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. — J.K.E.

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No, I did not move to the area assisted living facility as I said before. Older daughter, Anne Davis, and her husband had planned to retire here and take over the farm when she was through with an assignment as assistant secretary of the Navy for base closure. Then her husband, Tony, died suddenly. A retired Marine, he was buried here in the family plot with full military honors. Anne is still working for the Navy, living in Virginia with son, Porter, who is a sophomore in high school. Plans to take over the farm are on hold.

This report was written in early January, so understand my talking about Christmas.

Eleanor Carretta McConville is still recovering from an auto accident, but had a happy surprise birthday party when a group of Tri-Delts living in Florida met to honor her.

Virginia Engle Rogers '41, my little sister, is in an assisted living apartment in Brookline, Mass., near daughter, Pam. Had an eye operation recently, very successful; she can now see "everything." Insert a prize modern Biblical saying: "Three wise women would have asked directions, arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, brought practical gifts and there would be peace on earth." I had to share this; don't know its origin, but isn't it wonderful? Ginny's address is 105 Chestnut St. #105, Brookline, MA 02445.

Doug Fish '40 is still playing golf, travels to see family, and ended his note with terrific wishes: "Live life to the fullest, laugh a little every day, love your family, friends and your church."

Ray Kerner returned to Florida to be greeted by Hurricane Wilma. After no electricity, no phone for eight days, she went to stay with a friend for a week. Yes, she had to toss contents of the fridge and freezer. She's been in this home for eight years and applauds my decision to stay here awhile longer.

Marion Stone Wright was ready to give me heck for not writing, when she received my letter in the mail. I had sent a copy of Anne's Distinguished Civilian Service award. "Aren't we lucky to have such successful children," we agree. Sister, **Ruth '45**, came for Thanksgiving and all Marion's children were there for Christmas. She complains of the lousy dinner she cooked, "except for pie." Thank heavens I didn't have to cook.

Manny Pearlman sent copy of a Jacqueline Cochran article, the famous woman flyer of WWII. Manny knows Barbara Evans, who flew in the Powder Puff Derby. She belongs to several women's pilot organizations. Manny, as I said earlier, my plans for moving have been put on hold. So please call when you come East again.

My big sister, **Mary Hanning Zanarini '36**, sent a Christmas card and promised to write later. She is married to **Gene '35**, who played football for Bucknell in the famous first Orange Bowl game.

Virginia Wilson Gault '40 reports missing her husband so much this time of year. Ginny had a knee operation, and "it's doing very well."

Sorry this will be the last class notes from me. I am computer illiterate; don't own one. Makes it tough on the editor who has to transcribe my handwriting. At almost 89, my fingers can't keep up. I have enjoyed your letters. Best to you. — B.H.R.

Bucknell World wishes to thank **Bernice** for her many years of service as class reporter. Her work on these pages will be greatly missed.

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Christmas and holiday letters are a great way to catch up. I can only report the highlights. I can supply addresses if you want the full contents.

Peggy Bortz Andrews maintains her home in Onion Creek, Texas, that is, with her dog, Dolly. Peggy has looked into retirement communities and is lined up for one close to her son, Richard, north of Houston, to open in 2007.

Helen "Sandy" Sanderson Christian brought us up-to-date from meeting at Reunion. Hasn't been back on campus since, and spent Christmas with **Douglas and Karen Christian Hovey '71** and family. She reported continuing support for Bucknell's basketball team with record crowds for home games.

Evie Brooks Farnsworth apologized for the snow scene on her card, but from her vantage point in California she'd like to see a white Christmas. She is hoping to hear from **Dottie Oaks McRae** and **Peg Romweber**.

Douglas Fish said he had visits from all his children and in-laws this past summer, and gives thanks that he is able to travel several times a year as well as get in lots of golf. Christmas was spent with his

Sioux Falls, S.D., family, Barbara and Joe.

Now that **Warren Higgins** is fully retired from the practice of law, he observes with a jaundiced eye some of the practices of the legal profession.

Percy Jones' double-sided letter is witness to the far-flung and active family he and his late wife, Helen, had, now with some 13 grandchildren. Perc is traveling with the aid of a walker; he doesn't seem too restricted. He even issued a warm invitation that he has a spare bedroom for a visitor.

Ruth "Lep" Leppard MacDowell was to be with her daughter in Harvard for the holidays, quickly adding that it was Harvard, Ill.

Pat McQuay Parry keeps me updated on her life in Alfred Station, N.Y., by postcards, notes on one side and pictures of her home and garden on the other. She spent the holidays at home and with a step-daughter and family.

Richard Rohrs '69 wrote of the death of his father, **Walter Rohrs '39**, on Sept. 28 following a brief illness. Walt was director of internships at Wagner College at the

time of his death. Richard's mother, the late **Helen Peachey Rohrs**, was my roommate junior year.

Note: Walter Rohrs' obituary appeared in the January issue.

Bob and Annabel Kreider Schnure wrote that the last Peddler's Village occasion was called because of weather. They keep in touch with **Harry and Jeanne Rolfe Wenner** and **Emily Dooley Bishop '38**. Annabel said that **Betty Ziegler**, who lives in their retirement center, joined them in celebrating Bucknell's basketball win.

John Trauger mentioned that the caller soliciting his contribution to Bucknell was from the Class of '08. His father was a graduate of the Class of '10, with the distinctive 19 in front. He and Peggy have celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. Selling their RV brought some changes to travel, as they bought a pontoon boat and gave it to their youngest daughter, Robin. She and her husband do the crewing, and John and Peggy enjoy their cruises. He still does photography, but not as actively. He was the editor of our *L'Agenda*.

An update on our Class of 1940

Scholarship: this year we have three undergraduates. They are **Molly Gerlach '06**, **William Minehart '06** and **Nicholas Stabile '08**. The Class of 1940 Scholarship Fund had a market value of \$568,023.51 as of June 30, 2005. The endowment is expected to generate \$28,583.00 for financial assistance in 2005-06. Feel good about that, and continue to give as you are able.

From **Marian Weinberger Hartman '42**: she and Neil have witnessed some changes, the selling of their camper and less travel. As members of the Society of Friends, they are active nationally and locally, which accounted for trips to Tempe, Ariz., and Blacksburg, Va.

Dorothy Smailes Nutt '41 wrote of the mini-reunion she shared with Bucknell friends. **Genevieve Brennan Davis '41**, visiting her daughter in Connecticut, invited Dottie, **Lillian "Lilly" Morgan Mayka '40** and **Marion Martin Frantz '41** to join her at her daughter's home for a lovely time together. As with all of us, time spent with her children and grandchildren remains special.

Whether by email or letter, **Travis**

Summersgill's '39 lively sense of humor and ironic way of looking at our human condition, including life with a dysfunctional computer, emerges. He and Harue look forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to the mainland. Travis had written of a discussion he happened upon of the Association of the Arts Academy of Artistic Achievement. Of the 18 listed as elected in the 1995 association, Travis was delighted to note Professor **Blanchard Gummo**, classmates **Charles Henderson '39**, distinguished musician; **Richard Brown '39**, head of Houston's Art Museum; and **Philip Roth '42**, whose novels he has enjoyed. Travis and Harue are in a retirement community in Hawaii, and on their way to dinner one night a man stopped and asked his name. When Travis gave it, he brightened up and said: "I was a student in your Shakespeare class in 1961." Travis asked him what grade he had made in the course, and he replied, "A." Travis told him only A and F students ever bothered to identify themselves after the course was over.

A letter from Martha and **John Zeller**



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Hockey Field of Dreams

A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT TO MAXINE Bishop Schwarz '51 for sending in this classic photo of the Kappa Delta team. If you recognize yourself or any of the women in this photo, or have great memories of Kappa Delta's field hockey team, let us know. Email Gigi Marino at gmarino@bucknell.edu, phone 570-577-3611, or write to *Bucknell World*, Judd House, Lewisburg, PA 17837.

FLASHBACK — 1942

The TKEs by Candlelight photo from the January issue brought in quite a large number of responses. Writes Art Single '69, "This photo was taken during a serenade ... when a chapter member's pinmate would be at the top of the staircase [in Hunt Hall] and the brothers would serenade her with four or five songs and present her with a dozen roses." A special thanks to Dennis Hawley '72, John Sculley '71, Bill Heller '69, John Kasten '69, and Hood Johnston '72, who identified almost every TKE in the photo.

In the front row from the left are Francis Gruscavage '72, Mark Knoderer '73, Jeff Thorp '72, John Renegar '72, Loren Card '71, Rob Hilles '70, and Rick Costlow '70 (as identified by Hawley, Sculley, and Steve Knight '72). To Costlow's back right is Randy Davis '69 followed by Donald Hess '72. In front of Randy on the edge of the photo is Hood Johnston. In the second row from the left are Dennis Hawley, Steve Knight, Frank Stone '70, and Tom Hoyer (as identified by Johnston, Heller, and Kasten). Jeff Press '69 also wrote in and identified himself as the man wearing the dark-rimmed glasses to the back right of Hoyer. Bill Hodgkiss '72 is two people to the right of Press. Single, and his wife, Debbie Middleton Single '71, identified David Parker '71 as the lead man who was serenading his "pinmate" Alexandra "Sandie" Ould Betlyon '71 (not shown in the photo). Parker is in the white jacket and bow tie in the far right. Says Knight, "We were serenading the girlfriend of an upperclass fraternity brother [David Parker] in front of Larison-Harris Hall. We pledges were drafted as choir members — not allowed to say no!"



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'41 brought the unwanted news of John's bypass surgery prior to Thanksgiving, but the good news that he is on the mend. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a trip to southern California in April, with daughter Majie as travel agent and driver, and trips to familiar haunts and time with old friends. A second celebration in June was held at Bucknell with their children regaling guests with their version from Gilbert and Sullivan's *HMS Pinafore*, "When I Was a Lad." — A.H.W.

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Bucknell World is searching for a reporter for the Class of '41. Please contact us if you are interested.

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Not much news. **Muriel Hansen Denney '45** and another 80-year-old won a two-day golf tournament. Muriel said, "We scared the young ones."

A note from **Phil and Treva "Billie" Poling Roy '43**: Phoenix is just too far to travel. They are both as well as can be expected at "over 80." Maybe we can all try to get back to Bucknell in 2007 — our 65th Reunion!

Bud Vanderbilt is still in Connecticut, but travels across the border to New York for dinner.

I understand **Dave Farquar** is still living in Hilton Head and as handsome as ever.

Bill and I are still in Palm Harbor. Our granddaughters are visiting colleges. After a Christmas in Kansas with their other grandparents, they won't want to go north to school — too cold. After all the years we snow skied, once in Florida, 65 degrees is cold enough. — A.S.

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Stanley Brush '48 celebrated his 80th birthday with a dinner party, with 16 family and friends gathering here at Medford Leas, Medford, N.J., on the weekend of Nov. 5. Among those attending were his brother, **John Brush '42**, and his wife, Miriam, who was celebrating her 90th birthday.

From **David '66** and **Deb Sholl Humphreys '67** we hear, "**Jack Sholl '39** is with us this week — never thought that he would be able to get back out to California; but, yesterday he was able to see firsthand the military plaque placed at Mt. Soledad, LaJolla, that we honored him with at his 90th birthday. Dad is thriving since his move in with Noreen and **Bob Sholl '69**. **Becky Sholl Baer '74** accompanied him out here and we look forward to a fun week of reconnecting and enjoying California together." David and Deb accompanied Jack on his return trip to Massachusetts.

It was good to hear from **Bill '42** and **Betty Thomas Carson '42** and **Ronnie Greene Byrnes**.

Jane Griffith's sister and her brother-in-law, **Henry "Duke" Reed '44**, have moved to her retirement community in West Caldwell, N.J.

Clint and Marcia Herrgesell Hegeman wrote, "2005 blessed us with our first great-grandchildren — three of them! One in California, one in Florida and one born in Oslo, Norway."

Tom '41 and **Marion Phillips Meyers** write, "It sure is a challenge to grow old gracefully."

Dick Gray '42 tells us Presidio World College is thriving with its MBA program in sustainable management. Among other highlights of the year: he and Caye had dinners with Howard Dean and Ohio Senate candidate Paul Hackett.

Jean Williams Watson '45 in Newland, N.C., tells of their community's recovery from last year's hurricanes and flood damage. Her husband, Jim, as president of Linville Land Harbor's Property Association, had everything to do with replacing the condemned POA building with a 4,000-square-foot replacement in time for the snowbirds' return. A new sewer plant was well underway and progress had been made on the restoration of the Meadows area.

Leslie '41 and **Joan Davidson Whitney '40** enjoyed their trip to Austin and San Antonio, Texas, for their grandson's wedding: "The whole family made it and we had lots of fun."

From **Peggy Gundy Ulmer** (I thank you for adding me to your Christmas card list), "Norm and I celebrated our 60th anniversary on Nov. 10 with all of our family. We had planned to go to Myrtle Beach again this March, but decided to stay home. We enjoyed it last March even though we had pneumonia. We stuck pretty close to our great accommodations at the Sands Ocean Club. We watched a lot of college women's and men's basketball games instead of going to shows. The Sands recommended a clinic very close, and we were pleased with the care given to us."

George Rehkamp added me to his Christmas card list: "We celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 5 with a beautiful weekend hosted by our daughters. We stayed at the Marriott Newton with Regina, Jaap and family from Princeton, N.J. The following day, Marlene and Duncan hosted a festive dinner at their home in Wellesley. The November festivities continued with a Thanksgiving celebration at the Harvard Club of Boston. We have enjoyed living on Cape Cod. Although there were several blizzards last winter, the summer and fall were pleasant. Our travels were limited to New England weekends in Newport, R.I., and Williamstown, Mass. A huge project was the compilation of a 60th anniversary yearbook for the Hempstead High School class of 1945. A classmate who is president to the class also lives on the Cape, and so we were able to accomplish this task in June. We have had health issues, as most everyone our age. On Nov. 30, I had a knee replacement, but should be back to normal by spring. We would love to hear from you. Our telephone number is 508-457-4967 or email at grehkampa@verizon.net."

Marian Weinburger Hartman '42: "We took only one long trip this year in April to the annual Friends meeting of the World Committee at Tempe, Ariz. In July, we drove to Blacksburg, Va., for the annual Gathering of Friends General Conference." She is active with the Quaker retirement home in Moorestown, N.J., and the Ministry and Worship Committee of the Meeting.

Nina Osovick Magilligan is moving after 53 years in her Berkeley, Calif., home to a retirement community in Berkeley. There are many cultural and political activities, including bridge, poetry and music groups, weekly film nights and strong political awareness. She writes, "I have already met my new neighbors and feel part of the group. This year I have thoroughly enjoyed my various activities including the Etude Music Group, the Music Teachers' Performance Workshop, Poetry Group, Unitarian Church meetings, reading to a blind friend and occasionally volunteering at the Elmwood Convalescent Hospital where I worked as an occupational therapist for 20 years. A high point was in April when the administrator at the Elmwood offered me my old job again as an O.T. I

had to decline, telling him 'Thank you, but no. I'll be 84 tomorrow.'"

Martha and **John Zeller '41** celebrated their 50th anniversary with a nostalgic visit to southern California, where Martha lived before coming to work at Bucknell. In June, there was a large party at Bucknell. Two months at their summer home on Lake Sunapee brought visits from all the family. Then to top it off, John came through successful heart surgery and discovered that his blood is orange and blue!

Emily Sherman Sanborn's '55 house is being renovated, adding a living room, dining room, expanding the kitchen, changing from flat to pitched roof and adding a garage with guest quarters. Their travels this year included Holland and Belgium, to California for annual sibling reunion and again for brother Ralph's 70th birthday. Grandchildren helped Jim with growing strawberries, cantaloupes and azalea propagation. And in January there was a trip to Australia and New Zealand.

Janet Leach Messman '44, "You probably know that I had two heart attacks last February, necessitating angioplasty. The blocked coronary artery was cleared successfully and three stents are holding it open." She went on a trip to Seattle six months later, next to an Elderhostel on Orcas Island and then to visit friends in Victoria, a great and varied trip.

Linda Reinaker, steward of endowed funds, writes thanking us for the changes we are making in the lives of Bucknell students through the Class of 1943 Scholarship. The fund has been credited with gifts and transfers totaling \$147,525.04, known as its "historic book value." It has a total market value of \$319,477.34 as of June 30. During the 2005-06 academic year, the endowment is expected to generate \$14,951, which can be used for financial aid assistance.

Please send news via my address or email address. — J.B.S.

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It made for a pleasant evening when **Dot Bunnell Palmer** called. We reminisced about her late husband, **Bill '43**, and her sisters, **Catherine '43**, better known as "Snook," and **June Bunnell Richards '45**. Then there were her many Schnure cousins, and we spoke fondly of them, along with her old roomie, the late **Arlene Braun Cheney**. Dot still keeps in close touch with **Dottie Sonn**. She's very proud of the historical book son, Bill, is completing based on his father's memoirs of WWII, with an exciting portion on D-Day.

Also pleasant was a note from **Fred Shehadi '54**, with a picture of my son, **Tim '80**, and me when we had shared breakfast with him and Carol at the Bison Club gathering during Homecoming.

Frank and Ruth "Smitty" Smith Mendes write, "As we danced at the Halloween party here, the swing times brought back those wonderful Bucknell years and it lifted our spirits so." They have a new address: Apt. 304, Laurel Hurst Apts., 1064 W. Mills St., Columbus, NC 28722.

Lee Boice Burns writes, "I see **Bill '46** and **Polly Weist Wilkinson '43** at most every Phi Beta Kappa meeting, and hope to see them along with **Burda Murphy Fink** and **Nancy Danenhower Strange** at the upcoming local Bucknell luncheon here in Venice. Maybe George and **Elsa Larsen Grabowski** will be there, too."

Ella and **Elmo Pascale's** Christmas letter told of extensive travels, attending granddaughter Rachel's ceremony of the "White Coat" in New Haven, spending Thanksgiving with daughter, Marti, and her spouse, Rich, in Virginia and of celebrating their 56th anniversary.

From **Ron Macpherson**, "My resolution to do more bike riding in 2005 has been broken, although I did manage to do more than 100 miles of the Katy Trail in Missouri, with brothers Roy and George in late September."

Among those up to their ears in travels to family activities were **Dud '46** (originally '44) and **Jean Newsome Waldner '46**, **Frank '46** ("Stretch" was also an original '44) and **Lee Dillon Strickland '46**, Georgia and **John Debarr**, Bill and **Burney Brown Runkle**, **Janet Lawlor Hauk**, Roy and **Meg Meston Breg**, Bob and **Kay Marshall Morris**, Lucia and **Jim Ham**, who also celebrated a 60th anniversary, and **Jean "Sy" Richards Hoffman**.

Mary Lou Tripp Miller's new address is 8011A Chelton Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45249. "Trippy" writes, "As you can see, I've made a big move, but I felt it was time for me to get closer to Nancy and Lance. My kids have been a great help. Susan feels the cold winter will be hard for me and she just may be right. In Savannah I was cold when the temperature was 60!"

My old roomie **Carol Day Allen's** news was that another family member is due about the time you'll be reading this. While "Cuz" and I are no longer close mileage-wise, we still are in thought.

May this spring season be a special one for you, followed by a beautiful rest-of-the-year. Love and peace. — H.R.B.

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Our sincere sympathies to **Phoebe Follmer Bacon**, whose husband, Ham, passed away after a very long illness Dec. 28. Through the years we have come to realize that Phoebe is a person of extraordinary personal resources, so we are confident that she will find a way to live abundantly while dealing with such painful loss.

Nancy Woehling Moore and Lois Depuy Boston, both of Houston, are involved with Katrina evacuees. The Presbyterian church in which both are active arranged apartments for 70 evacuated families, and our Bucknell sisters have been helping out. When it appeared that the evacuees would be housed at the Houston Astrodome, Lois and her husband, Dan, were among 10,000 volunteers who were trained for volunteer service, but they were glad authorities changed plans. Sounds like the Bucknell spirit of community service is alive and well in Texas.

I would love to hear from others who may be involved with evacuees, as such volunteer services will be needed over a period of years. As a winter volunteer in a Florida church, I am aware that we still have 40,000 families living in temporary housing as a result of hurricanes of two years ago. Listen up, Bucknellians! — W.W.

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Dear classmates, I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas. Now we look forward to a great 60th Reunion. I have just received an up-to-date class list with addresses and phone numbers. Or you can click the link "Send information to Class Notes" when you have news to send.

I talked with **Peggy Fisher**, asking for

Thank You, Class Reporters

Class reporters compile news from classmates and contribute these columns, the most widely read section of *Bucknell World*. Bucknell is grateful for their commitment and service.

help as my eyesight is not the best due to macular degeneration. So you can contact her as well. She is moving to a retirement home in Greenwich, Conn. Her address is 44 Taconic Road, Greenwich, CT 06830.

Frank and Lee Dillon Strickland are in Florida for the winter. Sure hope to see them here soon.

Dud and Jean Newsom Waldner are hale and healthy, staying busy with all the events in Chapel Hill. Art museums, good music, volunteering, family and many happy things fill their days.

Howard and **Molly Baush Hill** hope lots of us get to Bucknell for Reunion. She said, "We'll be there," so I hope that is on the resolution list of many. Angela and **Nat Moss** hope to be there, if his knee replacement goes well and daughter, Grace, has her wedding on June 9. Close scheduling, but let's hope you make it, Nat. Happy 36th anniversary to you both.

Pat Whittam Hill wrote, saying that they are still in their four-bedroom home of 41 years: "It seems too late in life to move to a condo, and we don't feel ready for a retirement community." They will be in Colorado, skiing most of the winter. It is Pat's birthday on June 1. I'll get the cake for you, Pat, if you'll come for Reunion.

I was able to reach **June Biggs LoPresti '45** by phone and, after she got over the surprise, we talked for over a half hour. I hope I convinced her to come for Reunion. So many of us would love to see her again. It has been a long time.

Notes from my big sister, **Ginny Thompson Cannon '44**, and little sister, **Lynn Deissler King '47**, always make Christmas messages important. My roommates, **Ginia Talley Carlson** and **Carolyn Berkheimer Rosser**, will try to get back for our 60th. I think I will bring all the cards, notes, etc., to share. There is never enough space to include all that is said in these cards.

So, get the plans made, as this will be our last notes til June. Hope to see you all on June 1-4. — E.O.A.

Life must be very full and exciting during the holidays and beyond, and you didn't think to share it with your class reporters. We need to hear!

Jane Rockwell Palmeter traveled across country and writes of spending time with family. First visit was with daughter, Wendy, and then they returned East in Wendy's pickup truck, with lots of sightseeing. This was followed by time at Lake Wallenpaupack with Jane and Sax's condo; and in Canton, my hometown. More family time was spent in Maine with Fran and Doug in Orono, on Lake Nicasious. Sounds great, and thanks for sharing.

Glenn and I are still reeling after a cruise on the Caribbean. We took our whole family of 14; a much better idea than exchanging gifts. Grandchildren ranged in age from 13 to 21. Unforgettable.

Please write; never mind that the news is not so new. — D.K.W.

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There is so much gloom and doom these days, it is refreshing to hear the nice things that our young people are doing, such as the news of Helen's family's missionary activities. Our Lauren is halfway through her stint as a volunteer nurse/midwife in Congo with MSF. On her way back to UC-Santa Cruz, our Mariah drove via New Orleans and spent some time with Common Grounds in the St. Bernard's Parish area, which was badly hit by Katrina. Did you know that her school's mascot is the banana slug? We sang, "Go, Bison," down the field, but "Go, Banana Slugs?"

You are probably tired of hearing Morgie and me talk about our fabulous Round Robin that keeps so close a group of golden oldies. The death of **Faith Lief Rathe**, one of our dear friends of that group, really touched each of us as we shared our sorrow. Morgie and I felt that a part of **Barbara Messer Hale's** letter said it best, "And people have a way of disappearing. Within a week or so, two of our local friends died of cancer. Although medicine has come a long way in recent decades, it'll never make us eternal. So I treasure what we've had: an almost 60-year relationship in which each of us remembers each other as we were, as we are and, perhaps, as we will be — a sisterhood that has allowed us to share our experiences, both good and bad. Thanks for that!"

Our sincere sympathies go to **Catherine Lepsch Keech**, on the death of her husband, **Finley '49**, in September. Finley was an American Baptist pastor for 50 years, serving in New York, New Jersey and Massachusetts, with degrees from Drew University Theological School and Andover Newton Theological School. After his retirement in 1999, they established the Keech Family Scholarship in memory of his father, **Finley '22**; his mother, **Mary Elizabeth Peifer Keech '24**; and his uncle, **George Keech Jr. '15**. They are the fifth and sixth family members to attend Bucknell.

Jeanne Stern Manning visited Catherine on Pearl Harbor Day (wonder how many young people remember Dec. 7 the way we do?) to celebrate Catherine's Welcome to the 80s Day.

I don't know how many years I have been asking for news, but I do know that I also have been asking you to pray for peace. I cannot believe that here it is 2006, it still eludes us and so I end this one more time with my mantra: *peace!* And now I add *hope*.

Stay well and look forward to joyful times for everyone. — G.C.G.

Class of '47, it's Reunion planning time! It was 58 years ago that Bucknell awarded us our diplomas. Now, as members of the Emeritus group, we can go back each year. This year it seems especially important to be together in order to attend the Memorial Service on Sunday, June 4, for several of our classmates. **Faith Rathe, Meryl "Mickey" Eisenburg Rosenthal, Virginia Ahlstrom Hani** and **Janice Selwyn Sydel** will be among those remembered. Our presence will not only be supportive for the families of our classmates, but it will also bring us together on the Bucknell campus. Let's make it a special Reunion year for the Class of '47!

Tamara Gurvitch Goldman and her husband, Herb, attended Mickey's funeral. Tam reports that Mickey's two adopted sons "spoke eloquently and honestly about their relationship."

Barbara Fitzgerald Taylor emailed that **Walter and Jean Taylor Noll** are "mending" following a very serious automobile accident near their Texas cattle ranch last July (cards of encouragement would be a great idea).

Helen Klauder Bohs has news about

her son, Drew; his wife, Rose Marie; and her 10-year-old granddaughter, Rachel. Drew and Rose Marie completed a missionary course with Youth With a Mission, in Kona, Hawaii. They live in Chiang Mai, Thailand, where the new missionaries have been assigned to teach English. Helen writes they "are really going out on faith." She continues to be active in New Smyrna Beach, Fla., where she volunteers as a kindergarten teacher's helper once a week, and in the local hospital coffee shop.

As many of us have entered or are about to enter the 80th year of life, **Gloria Child Goetz**, one of our class' reporters, shared one of her favorite birthday messages. A cartoon featuring two "rather elderly" friends sports the following conversation:

1st friend: "Let's be friends until we're old and gray."

2nd friend's reply: "But we are old and gray."

1st friend: "Okay ... then let's be friends until we lose our good looks."

2nd friend: "You got it, gorgeous!"

And now, it's time for the "gorgeous" members of the Class of 1947 to begin making plans to attend Bucknell's Reunion Weekend, June 2-4. Hope to see many of you in Lewisburg! — J.M.R.

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Spring is upon us. I have Christmas notes to write to you, from our classmates.

Betty Hoile List was honored by the Westfield Rotary Club at its Humanitarian Awards dinner in November. Quite an outstanding lady we know.

My little sister, **Patricia Wagner '50**, and I keep up by telephone. She is, as always, looking on the positive side of life. I will see her in the fall at Homecoming.

Helen Hayden Nelson wrote that she is working on her house, traveling, quilting, and having some physical therapy on a frozen shoulder. While visiting her son in Greece, she had a chance to travel around and says Greece did a wonderful job fixing up for the Olympics.

Florence Fellows Skove writes that they spent Thanksgiving in Switzerland with her son and his family, who reside in their very own chalet, with views of the Alps all around. I'm jealous. Christmas was with their other son, in Richmond; and, a summer trip to Texas, to see their daughter and family. Flo and hubby, Jim, are both well, if a little creaky, like us all.

Our entire family is planning on going up for the Bucknell-Holy Cross basketball game. Our team has been having a spectacular season; you should try coming back.

Have a spectacular summer and don't forget to send a postcard to your class reporter. — J.G.B.

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The Southwest Florida Bucknell Alumni Association Chapter held its semi-annual Reunion on Nov. 12. Kathleen Owens, executive assistant to President Mitchell, discussed the work of the *Plan for Bucknell* under development. Jill Abrahamson, asso-

ciate director of the Office of Alumni, Parents, and Volunteers, represented that organization. The Class of 1950 was ably represented by **Paul and Liz Bryant Lotto** and **Larry and Joan Schwartz Saphier**. Members of other classes were also present.

Several classmates inquired of the whereabouts of **Harry Feit**. A search of the Internet yielded an address in California. His wife, Dee, responded to a telephone call. Regrettably, he passed away five years ago. They married in Pittsburgh in 1954. Harry retired from the Navy in 1979 with the rank of captain, then worked for Lockheed until 1989.

We welcome inquiries about classmates that you haven't heard from for a while. Just give me a call or send an email. — D.C.

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I'm feeling a little like the Maytag salesman: lonely. Did not receive any Christmas letters from any but two of you. I hope many of you will attend our 55th Reunion. **Ray** and I plan to be there and hope to see you.

Lee and Lena Garro McCloskey will be great-grandparents in June, their first. Also their oldest plans to retire, not making them feel any younger!

Claire Harth Troler says that she and Joe had a trip to a nature camp in Bar Harbor, Maine, last summer and a paddleboat cruise on the Columbia River as part of the Lewis and Clark celebration. She hopes to get to Reunion.

I also had a note from Joan Betty that **Don** had a heart attack the day after Thanksgiving but was doing fine.

I would love to hear from more of you with news. It doesn't have to be earth shattering, but I'm sure your classmates would like to know that you are alive and kicking. — B.L.S.

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Spence Coleman

Thanks to **Spence Coleman**, who responded to my November plea to write. Spence has been a volunteer "extraordinaire" at the local community, county, state and national levels since moving to Maryland in 1957. His volunteer vita includes civil rights, church, PTA, youth, government and

senior citizen issues. In October, he was recognized for his remarkable leadership when he was inducted into the Maryland Senior Citizens Hall of Fame. Local newspapers *The View from Catonsville* and the *Catonsville Times* have published articles describing this award. Congratulations, Spence. You have truly made a difference to your neighbors. His wish is not to be slowed down too much by this three-quarter-century milestone. Great wish for '52ers.

Bob and Lucille Swetland Carman are long-term missionaries and volunteers who are basically lying fallow until being permanently located. They have joined the Federated Church of Green Lake and sing in its choir, and plan eventually to be involved with mental health advocacy. Last winter's treat for them was to be hypnotized by the snowflakes in Ripon, Wis. They moved from Indiana to be closer to daughter Betsy and her family who are on furlough from their mission in India. Lu and Bob were delighted to keep an eye on granddaughters Kara, 14, and Lisa, 16, and to stay connected with Anna, a freshman at Taylor University. Betsy and Dave traveled

frequently to speak about their work at the Kodaikanal International School. Sons Chuck and Jim and their families joined the family for Christmas. A family wish for an abundance of deep snow, especially for the warm weather contingent, was granted. A move to Minnesota is planned by Lu and Bob for next summer when the Perkins return to India. This residential change will bring them closer to Jim's family, though farther from Lewisburg. Regardless of the distance, Carman hearts will always be close to Bucknell. An avalanche of love and joy for 2006 was sent to Bucknellians everywhere.

Despite the snow, Jack and **Elinor Childs Lewis** were drawn to Maine in February to celebrate their nephew Bob's wedding. In the fall, traditional Lewis hospitality drew many friends and family to Happy Valley for its promising Penn State football season. However, it was the inducement of ice cream from the Penn State creamery that brought granddaughters Courtney, 10, Kaylee, 7, and Kristin, 5, to visit with their parents, Gordon and Eileen, during the summer. A major reason for Eli and Jack to leave home during autumn was to sail for six days on the *Queen Mary 2* to London. The party of 21 longtime friends was thrilled to watch the ship squeeze under the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge at dusk. This maneuver auspiciously began the celebration of the Lewis' 45th wedding anniversary. A cruise on the River Thames to Greenwich, where they climbed the observatory hill and stood astride the prime meridian, was a timely event for this special occasion. Eli is violinist and board member for the Nittany Valley Symphony and Jack sings with the State College Choral Society.

Jean Lowry Scarr pursues her passion for classical music by attending lectures about the Cleveland orchestra and opera at the library near her new residence in Brecksville, Ohio. Her reduced travel schedule to satisfy her opera ardor in Toronto, New York, New Jersey, Chicago, Tanglewood and Seattle filled her soul with beautiful music, which she enjoyed with like-minded companions.

Betty and **Gene Cobaugh** are also music enthusiasts who traveled in June with 50 members of the choir of the Ft. Lauderdale First Presbyterian Church. The group performed a five-day mini concert tour in Maine and Vermont. Hurricane season did not forestall son Michael and his family visiting from Germany later in July. Very scary hurricanes resulted in the Cobaughs losing all their trees, some screening, roof tiles, electricity and all the food in the refrigerator and freezer. Boiling water to drink and taking cold showers were definitely not fun. Thanksgiving painted a much brighter picture when a trip to Hawaii became the meeting place with Tom and his family, who live in Anchorage. Betty and Gene toured the Arizona Memorial, the battleship *Missouri* and Punchbowl Military Memorial Cemetery. Grandsons Michael, 17, and Daniel, 15, loved most the warm beaches and viewing Diamond Head. Whether the anxiety of violent winds intrudes or the calm beauty of nature persists, Betty and Gene remain prompt to confirm, "God is good."

Only a hurricane or two could interrupt golfing for **Don and Molly Tompkins Manning**. Florida's wild storms did not prevent the entire family from gathering at the Manning home for Christmas. The conventional male golf outing was held while the women went power-shopping. Granddaughter Lauren reflected a unique powerful image at an ice hockey game driving a Zamboni machine. Click onto Bucknell online to see Lauren, the Zamboni driver, at work. Molly noted that she had talked with **Joan "Jake" Jacobson**, who was in the hospital recuperating very well from surgery.

Slick roads from ice and snow briefly sequestered me in the Poconos, where trees were artistically bent to the ground to form

an alluring backdrop for writing January's column. This time apart was the antithesis of the Rusling Christmas holiday, when we ate Christmas pie around an open campfire in the shadow of the Bridger Mountains. The magnificent Big Sky countryside was blanketed with a foot of snow trying to create an illusion of winter paradise regardless of the 49-degree meltdown. The relatively warm western weather gave us opportunity to visit the Museum of the Rockies at MSU to marvel at the incredible exhibit called "Over the Top: Story Quilts." This array of 49 artfully crafted quilts raised our knowledge of Montana's history and culture to a new exciting level. At Thanksgiving Bill and I cruised the Mexican Riviera in hopes of spotting whales, which never appeared. Fortunately, we sailed on day excursions to estuaries along the Bay of California. Bird watching the unfamiliar aquatic birds of Mexico well compensated us for the whales' slow migration to warm waters.

A note from **Carolyn Knies Erdle** and conversations with **Catherine "Betts" Hill Keeley** and **Larice Roseman Burtt** offered news that my dear friend and sorority sister **Joan Gibbons Wilson** died of Lou Gehrig's disease on Dec. 17. Jo and her husband, **George Wilson '49**, lived in the Washington, D.C., area since 1955. I will long cherish the quality time she and I spent together when we huddled to share 40-year catch-up conversation at a party given by Larice and **Jim Burtt**. Jo's life was celebrated on Jan. 13. Friends were invited to bring recollections of her to share for the family archives.

The golfer's pipeline of New Jersey was the source **Alice Windeknecht Totten** used to email me about the death of **Cornelius "Connie" DeLoca** on Dec. 1. Connie was not only an avid golfer, but actively involved with several golf associations and country clubs to improve the administration of amateur golf tournaments all age levels. He was also president of the Metropolitan Golf Association. He will be greatly missed for his contributions to this favorite sport in the greater Jersey community.

James ("Jim" or "Smokey") Ostendarp died Dec. 15. After graduation, Jim played with the New York Giants as a running back for two years. He served as assistant coach at Bucknell, Williams College and Cornell. In 1959, he became Amherst's head coach, where he is credited with being the most winning coach in its athletic history. He was inducted into Bucknell's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1981. Five years ago when I led a retreat for a Philadelphia church, I asked a man what "DARP" meant on the front of his baseball cap. The retreatant replied that it was a nickname honoring his college football coach, with whom he had just been at a team reunion. The man could not hold back his surprised pleasure when I asked, "Was your coach Smokey Ostendarp? Did you go to Amherst?" He was delighted to share the respect, admiration and love he felt for Jim. The former player recognized coach "DARP" had influenced his life in so many positive ways that have been life lasting. It is evident that Jim gave this same full measure of love to his wife **Shirley Reidinger Ostendarp '53**, their children and all who intersected his path. — R.C.R.

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Jane Brown Maas sent the following: "I am sad to tell you that **Leila Feiffer McKibbin** died Nov. 18. Marty was with her, as he had been day and night for weeks and weeks. Leila came back into my life a few months before our 50th Reunion, as I was making phone calls to round up classmates to come back. She couldn't

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manage the trip, as she had for a long time suffered from terrible rheumatoid arthritis. But since spring 2003, she and I talked almost every day. We reminisced a lot, especially about Bucknell and our sophomore year at French House, where we didn't speak much French, but did stay up playing bridge all night. Lots of our '53 classmates were there — **'Bugs' Harvey Lloyd**, **'Shelly' Schellenberg Eichorn**, **Oriole Horch Feshbach** and **Barbara Gold Bauer**. And we talked about Leila doing the choreography for, and dancing in, the ballet for *The Student Prince*. Do you remember what a remarkable ballet dancer she was? And of course we talked about **Marty McKibbin '52**, the handsome football player Leila was in love with at Bucknell and stayed in love with all her life. The two went separate ways after Bucknell and married other people, but they came back together in the early 1990s and were married. I told **Philip Roth '54** about Leila's death, and he spoke the perfect epitaph: "She was such a beautiful girl," he said. Thank you, Jane. Our sympathy to Marty and the family.

And more sad news. **Philip Robbins**, husband of **Pat Forlifer Robbins**, died on Oct. 13. Phil had put up a tremendous battle against pancreatic cancer, traveling abroad three times after his diagnosis and surgery. As recently as last summer, he was in the Galapagos Islands on a vacation with his family. He was a journalist and a professor at George Washington University and chaired that department from 1973 to 1991. Phil and Pat enjoyed 49 years of marriage and shared their love of sailing, skiing and traveling. Pat, three children and four grandchildren survive him. Our sympathy to all of the family.

An October Grand Circle Danube River Cruise from Budapest to Bucharest was enjoyed by **Bill '52** and **Sue Joos**

Hendrixson, Fran Hankinson Hillman and me. When Fran and I signed up, we did not know that Sue and Bill were also on the cruise. We really enjoyed their company. They are seasoned travelers who have been to many of the far corners of the globe. Bill said their best trip was an Elderhostel in South Africa with just two other travelers and the guide who had a VW bus. Bill and Sue did four Elderhostels in St. Augustine, Daytona, Tampa and Boca Raton in January. Soon after we returned from our trip, Sue invited Fran, me and **Jill Kriebel Evans '54**, also a frequent traveler who had visited many of the places that we had seen, to share photos and stories of our travels. Sue and Bill's attractive home is filled with lots of decorative souvenirs, many humorous, from their adventures.

Now I must confess my mistake, to provide it as a warning. I left on the trip with a passport that expired five days short of six months from the day of our return. I had arrived in Hungary with no problem, but we were told that the countries to which we would travel were very strict about the six-month rule. Fran, who kindly gave up a side trip to accompany me, and I had an adventure seeking the U.S. Embassy in Budapest to obtain a one-year extension for my passport. We made a pleasant time of it by taking the tour of the elegant parliament building and having a sidewalk café lunch.

I'm sorry to report the death of **Harvey Sheirr**. With his master's degree from Columbia in journalism, and a diploma from the Hollywood School of Comedy Writing, he had a career in editing and writing in NYC. He enjoyed comedy writing and stand-up comedy at clubs. He never missed a softball season and often competed with players 50 years younger in his beloved Central Park and elsewhere around NYC. He had an outstanding collection of standard popular songs. If you recall he wrote

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JOANNA RANDOLPH ROTT '56

an interesting column for "World's End" in *Bucknell World* about musical comedies. We've lost a talented man.

Our classmate **Shirley Reidinger Ostendarp's** husband **Jim "Smokey" Ostendarp '52** died on Dec. 15 after his long battle with Alzheimer's. I'm sure there are tributes to this outstanding man elsewhere in this issue. Shirley has been a patient and faithful caregiver over the years. She and their family surely have huge holes in their hearts over this loss. If you wish to send your sympathy to Shirley, her address is 36 Montague Road, Sunderland, MA 01375-9585.

Hurricane Wilma did not receive as much notice as other natural tragedies, but for **Nancy Van Every Strayer** in Ft. Lauderdale it was not a happy time, two weeks without power. Damage to her home was minimal, but 400 of the homes in her community of 1,000 were completely destroyed. **Sally Spencer** fared better in Boca Raton. Damage there was mostly to her phone line and to the gardens and trees of the community. Scary times, for sure.

From **Ned Miller**: "I have been elected president of the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of New Mexico and I am taking my responsibility seriously. I had lymphoma four years ago and knock on wood (my head) I am in remission. When I first had my cancer I had no one to speak to for comfort, advice, etc. I did not know the L&L Society." He suggests that if you know anyone who needs these services, call his office at 1-800-321-8004 or his cell phone at 505-235-1134. Hurrah for Ned who is giving back to his community and helping "my dear, dear classmates" with this information.

I plan to have the Philadelphia area luncheon in May. I hope many of you can come. Contact me if you do not have the details. — C.H.K.

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Don Wexlin and **Bob Post** hopefully have reunited with the help of Class Notes and the Internet. They were freshman roommates in East College. Don writes he is retired from medical practice and spends his time trout fishing and vacationing in his condo in St. Croix, USVI. He and wife, Marti, also raise champion collies. Marti is the exhibitor, and Don calls himself the "Kennel Meister." He hopes to visit campus next summer. He occasionally gets to Lewisburg to go fishing at Penns Creek.

Ben and Jan Schreck McKeel's main activities revolve around golf and travel. They enjoyed a tour of Alaska. It was their first cruise and they have become believers. They have already booked another cruise next summer.

Caryl "Cullie" Colvin Pigg and **Bobbie Grant Palmer** drove cross-country from Berea, Ohio, to Las Cruces, N.M., to visit **Louise "Ricki" Richers Rydberg** for two weeks. On their return trip, they paid a surprise visit to **Mary Lou Mayer Brooks** and her husband, Bob. Cullie and Mary Lou attended junior high, high school and Bucknell together, and Bob went to the same high school. Cullie's "grand" total comes to 11 grandsons, one granddaughter,

and four great-grandchildren. Cullie is active in motocross racing in Virginia and Bobbie works with a Siberian Husky rescue group in Ohio. — B.M.A.

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Ed Titus, in his Christmas letter, said this is the time of year to take stock of our blessings. Among his are a close and sustaining family. His Labrador retriever, Katie, who attended our 50th Reunion with him, continues to occupy a great deal of his time. Although she cannot stand or walk, she has specialized paraphernalia that help, one of which is Ed's old wooden wagon circa Christmas 1942. Pulling her in it provides Ed with some excellent exercise. Along the way to Bucknell he visited with Mary Smith and her son, Alex, the widow and son of Wendell Smith, one of Ed's major professors and a lifelong friend. In midsummer he and son, Rick, took the travel trailer to Washington to view the exhibit "Faces of The Fallen" at Arlington Cemetery. The exhibit is overwhelming, and he hopes a permanent home will be found for it.

In October I received an email from **Fred Olessi** after he returned from three glorious weeks in Seville and a few days in Granada. He says glorious because it was the first of his three visits since he lost his wife, Salud, when he felt not only her loss, but her presence with him again, in remembered joy in all the places in Seville they knew so well. On the advice of a friend he took his computer and made substantial progress on a memoir he is writing. He walked a lot, bought too many ceramics in the studio of a sculpture friend and ate and ate. He spent January in Italy with his granddaughter, Fatima, showing her the country in the hope that she will spend the next semester in Florence. In April with daughter, SaSa, and granddaughter, Adrianna, he will go back to Seville for Holy Week. So the next six months seem like life is returning in spite of his recent infirmities, which are just a memory.

Jo Steinbright Elsmann, bless her heart, sent me news with her Christmas card. She and **Tom '54** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June in Harbortown, St. Michaels, Md., for three days with their family — all 19 of them. That includes three children: **Ken, Carol Cutler '81** and **Jennifer Cieszko**, and their spouses, plus 11 grandchildren. Their oldest grandchild flew in from UC-Davis, where she is a sophomore. Their youngest grandson was seven months, born to Jennifer, who remarried after losing David in the World Trade Center on Sept. 11. Peter and Jennifer have seven; his two, her four and their one. Tom and Jo traveled to Provence, ending in Paris, after the family party. In the fall they toured Sicily, returning in time to spend Thanksgiving with family in Connecticut. They spent Christmas with family in Villanova. Then off to Florida for their annual vacation in Buttonwood Bay. They missed our 50th Reunion, but Jo reports they have been with 18 Bucknellians this year.

Nancy Green Gates says they missed a great photo op of the whole family who,

under the leadership of daughter Debbie, stained their camp in Maine. She and Harris returned from Florida in time to attend our 50th. She thinks the campus is more beautiful than ever but finds it difficult to accept the status of "emeritus." Following a great, and sometimes quite hot, summer in Maine, they traveled west in the fall visiting America's majestic national parks and seeing our wonderful country. Harris says he must be good because he's looking up not down. He's been playing golf and tennis in Florida, but less strenuously. Until they return to Florida, they are getting their winter fix in New England.

Marty Roberts Hill reports that she and Franklyn are doing great. Again she regrets not being able to come to our 50th. Their Welsh family visited them at Christmas with their beautiful baby, who is nine months old. Marty is having great fun shopping for a baby again.

We are three months into this new year of 2006. My wish for all of you is peace, outstanding health and a year full of joy.

For those of you who wrote and I did not report on, I must save some news for later issues just in case you forget to keep in touch. — B.B.E.

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Did you happen to notice as you turned the pages of this issue to our '56 Class Notes, just how far we have come to the front of *Bucknell World*? I view this as a clear reminder of how many birthdays and reuniting days have slipped by us, and how soon we will celebrate our big 5-0. It is hard to believe that in less than six months from this writing, we will be toasting our milestone and readying to join that illustrious group called the Emeritus Club. No reason to fret though; I enjoyed a wonderful evening with them some time ago and believe me, they are a lively bunch. So welcome to all.

From the home of last year's "Runaway Bride" comes news from **Virginia "Bur" Wallis Klaer**. Last September Bur became managing broker of a new Realty Executives Atlanta Group office. In addition to helping buyers and sellers, she trains agents in their real estate careers. Bur and husband, Lee, have enjoyed many travels to Europe, Australia and New Zealand. This past year they toured historic Rome and then boarded the world's largest sailing ship with their Grand Circle tour group. They sailed to the isle of Capri, Sicily, around the Adriatic Sea to the Greek island of Koru, up the Dalmatian Coast to Dubrovnik and finally to Venice. We are delighted to learn that they are looking forward to their next big trip — back to campus to reunite with us in June.

John McKee's tomatoes took a first and third prize in the county fair. In addition to his flowers, he enjoys growing pumpkins for Halloween decorating and is a proud cultivator of his large sunflower patch. In February of last year, he and Rita took a cruise from San Diego to the Mexican Baja and Sea of Cortez, where they swam and saw whales. They enjoyed

another cruise on the Danube from Budapest to Nuremberg in early May, where beautiful weather with lilacs blooming abounded. Germany proved to be rainy, but they viewed old castles, Melk Abbey, Vienna, Danube Gorge and many villages and the canal connecting to the Rhine. John and Rita enjoyed their Slippery Rock, Pa., cottage more than ever last year with its new roof and enjoyed beautiful weather last August for swimming at the Lake Arthur State Park. In October they rented a condo in Bonita Springs, Fla., touring the area, and visiting with family and Bucknell TKE brother and classmate, **Bill Mount**. Hopefully, John and Bill will be rounding up their Bucknell buddies and will also join us.

Traditionally, for a variety of obvious reasons, the 50th Reunion is the last one most of us will attend, but of course you could be the exception. President **Joe Eberhart** and his hard-working committee are striving to make this the biggest and best 50th Reunion Bucknell has ever witnessed. Will you please join with us all and make every effort to be on hand to renew the ties that bind us to the 300 acres still set apart? We're looking forward to seeing a huge turnout, including you. See y'all there! — J.R.R.

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Thanks for the Christmas cards from which I gleaned news for this report. **Jane Masters Nase** and **Joan Henry Kindy** traveled together on the Bucknell Campus Abroad trip to Greece last fall. The itinerary included three days in Athens and six nights on the island of Poros, from which they had excursions to Aegina, Mycenae, Epidauros and Hydra. They especially enjoyed reconnecting with **Bob '58** and **Pat Wenk Strachan**, and **Warren "Ritt" '54** and **Lydia Hines Rittinger '55**. Bucknellians comprised 14 of the 31 members of the traveling group.

Ellen "Dief" Diefenbach Jackson '55 wrote, "An amazing event of the year was my 50th Reunion at Bucknell. Reconnecting with dear friends and sharing memories of times past brought laughter and joy along with tears. As our class joined the Convocation, we received a standing ovation. I laughed at its many implications."

I continue to be amazed by the travels of **Jack '55** and **Gretchen Rohrbach Flurer**: "Thoroughly indoctrinated with the 'use it or lose it' theory of life, we continue to travel while we can. Thus, Eastern Europe in June and Provence, France, in September. There is no way we can describe what all these experiences have done for us, but we like to think we are kinder, more caring people because of the enrichment. Folks in Prague, Budapest, Belgrade, Novi Said, Geroux, Ginasservis and Moustiers are more the same than they are different. The trips we make to old friends and family at home are all the more meaningful to us because of the things we learned along the way. Our love and best wishes to all of you, in this season of caring and sharing."

The Sixth Street House reunion in Charleston, S.C., in October was everything we hoped and more. **Cary Lefever Roberts** and **Nancy John Andrews** did a fantastic job making the arrangements. **Shirley Hall Carr** came from Essex, Conn.; **Martha "Marti" Hirsch Tell** from Cresskill, N.J.; **Carol "Christy" Christ Steele** from Williamsville, N.Y.; **Bobbie Folk Mynott '56** from Berwyn, Pa.; **Sylvia "Sibby" Ulsh Adams** from Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.; **Dot Hund Hayes** from Phoenix, Ariz. and **Nancy Lue Fisher Rittenhouse** from Cochranville, Pa. (Nancy Lue got the prize for valor in making the trip while convalescing from major

hip surgery following a terrible fall in Colca Canyon, Peru. Her travails in returning to the USA were horrible. Nancy was determined she would come to the reunion. What a trooper!). We missed **Billie Jane Boyer Maul**, who was orchestrating a major family reunion in Seattle, and we missed our junior counselor Dief Jackson, who had conflicting responsibilities.

We stayed at the charming King Charles Inn on Meeting Street in old Charleston. We ate the scrumptious low country food at Magnolia's and High Cotton. We relished fresh seafood at Blossom's Cafe and Hank's Seafood Restaurant. **Alice Frost Plump** joined us for brunch on Sunday; she and her husband, **Don**, have a home on a nearby island and had read about our reunion in this column.

Nancy Andrews arranged guided tours of the Nathaniel Russell House and the Gibbs Museum of Art. We took a tour of several residences on Saturday night. Nancy was our guide as we walked the old brick streets and saw the beautifully restored historic homes, churches and buildings. She showed us the two homes where she and husband Lee lived several years ago. History comes alive in this lovely seaside city that was established as the first permanent English settlement more than 300 years ago. I encourage other groups of any size who gather for reunions to send reports to me.

Several of the Class of '57 will be joining the Class of '56 Reunion. John and I look forward to seeing many of our friends of both classes (I know that the Sigma Chi of '56 are planning a gathering on Thursday, June 1, for brothers and their "dates"). You will receive this issue of *Bucknell World* in time to make reservations for the big event. Hope to see many of you there.

In early January, John and I had a delightful evening at our home with **Bob and Nancy Jane Brown Stevens '58**. They were in Phoenix visiting their daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter. Nancy and Bob will be moving the end of January to 1151 Gussi's Knoll, Greenboro, GA 30642.

I look forward to hearing from you. — D.H.H.

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Jim and **Bobbie Eads McIntosh** enjoyed a Rick Steves tour of Sicily and southern Italy in October. Cousins of Bobbie were also on the tour. Rick Steves' travel show on PBS is Jim's favorite. For five weeks prior to their trip, the McIntoshes took Italian classes, which helped with the travel basics. Traveling to son Ian's new locale in Highlands Ranch, Colo., offered more enjoyment as they did some babysitting and visited Pike's Peak.

Other travelers to Italy in October were **Rog and Jane Scheifele Frassenei**. Their card described their wonderful walking tour, averaging 10 or more miles per day. They enjoyed the sights and food throughout Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Sorrento and Florence.

Don and Jane Vetter King reported little problem with hurricane season, even though evacuation was necessary. They mentioned a fun fall get-together at Bethany Beach, Del., with Bucknell friends. **Hubs '57 and Barb Bergman Pahren '57** own a beach house there. **Carl Kuehn, Ed and Jan Smith Staiano, Nannette Transue '60 and Jack Allen**, Jean and **Marv Fisher, Pat Armstrong Kuehn '57** and Judy and **Tom Cassidy** enjoyed time together.

The Kings visited **Clark '56 and Ann Moore Workman** while in the Workmans' area of Spring Hill during an evacuation to Don's aunt's house nearby.

During their summer vacation, the Workmans traveled to the Canadian

Maritimes. Also, back in Pittsburgh, they entertained family.

Bob Burnett and wife, Mary, headed to Kiawah Island, S.C., in November to celebrate his 70th birthday with a three-day bash. Some 40 lifelong friends and relatives, including brother Steve, and all three of Bob's children were there to enjoy festivities held in the Sanctuary, a new five-star hotel. The Burnetts continued their stay in Charleston for Thanksgiving with daughter, Ginny, and family before returning home.

Harry and Dabbie Bartleson Erikson continue to stay very busy during their eight months in Englewood, Fla. Dabbie, as "Travel Lady" for her community, organizes trips on cruises, to plays, to area sights of interest and to exciting events. Harry does his job as VP of the community.

When the Eriksons came north to Greene, N.Y., they enjoyed the usual by-the-lake summer fun with their grandchildren. They took their sixth Elderhostel trip, to Alberta, Canada, to experience the Calgary Stampede and the Canadian Rockies.

Bruce '56 and Barbara Cox Dittmar will recall 2005 as "the year of fix-up and rejuvenation of ourselves, our house and our garden." After Bruce's successful hip surgery, they began to scrutinize their house and its surroundings. His mending time gave them time for some home repairs, replacements and new landscaping. Son Brian and a friend visited during summer. Then, Bruce and Barbara visited him in San Francisco over Thanksgiving. While on a summer trip to Williamsburg, Va., the Dittmars had a 40th reunion with Betsy and **Bob Kolar '56**. Bruce and Bob were chemistry buddies long ago.

Betty and **Jake Kessler** reported a fun and reasonably priced trip to Disney World in September. They continue to vacation in their motor home whenever convenient. At home in Delaware, Jake still works two days a week counting cars for a car agency, and Betty works half days at a daycare center.

Diane Austin Johanson is dedicated to community needs. At home in Rochester, N.Y., she had to fit in a library book sale in January before she could leave to vacation in Naples, Fla., with husband, Bob.

Jan Bull Borden took three trips to Russia during 2005. After the third trip in November, she and her son brought his fiancée, Lana, home in time to celebrate Christmas. Jan enjoys watching as grandson, Jamie, learns, grows and changes.

Merle Holden Winstead enjoyed family time in Ocean City, N.J., last summer.

Those of us watching Bison basketball closely are enjoying the season! — N.J.R.R.

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Bucknell's Annual Fund drive will end June 30 and the Class of 1959 Annual Fund Gift Committee has been working hard to get 100 percent participation. If you have not contributed, please do so. I would like to jump back on my soapbox and ask that you earmark your contribution to the Graduate Research Fund in chemistry, which funds scholarships in the summer months helping the professors to continue their research.

I'm still interested in any and all emails, as my list is getting shorter.

Andy and Jane Roudabush Cahn have volunteered to chair the dinner for our 50th Reunion in 2009. They would like to include a pictorial history of the class and need pictures of people and happenings: athletic events, dances, ROTC, graduation, etc. You can send your pictures electronically to Andy at CahnA@aol.com, or you can send pictures to Jane Cahn, 8

Thornewood Road, Armonk, NY 10504. They will scan the photos and return them. If possible, please identify the classmates. They thank you in advance for your enthusiastic support.

Barbara Jaffee Horner stated, "Our blessings of nine grandchildren will multiply in 2006. Art will have his own football team with 11 grandchildren. Our addition at Cape May still leaves us short of comfortable space for the whole family, but we will still have our summer reunion there anyway. The grands enjoy being with one another and never seem to mind the overcrowded accommodations."

Joan Perego Thayer emailed, "Ted continues to teach French horn at George Mason University and at home, and I substituted as a long-term Latin teacher all but one week of the first quarter. I continue to tutor Latin at home as well."

"We did manage to have a great 11-day cruise to the southern Caribbean on Holland America's *MS Maasdam*, sailing to and from Norfolk, Va., a three-hour drive from Reston. Friends went too and we enjoyed the warm air, sunshine and delights of Dominica, an aerial tram through a rain forest; and St. Kitts, a narrow gauge railroad ride two-thirds of the way around this fish-shaped island. Visits to Barbados, St. Thomas and San Juan rounded out the cruise, and left us unprepared for the snow and ice we found when we returned."

"I began substituting again in January, every other day until June 14 in nearby Loudoun County."

"Our grandsons continue to thrive. Richard in Florida, a high school sophomore, placed second in Volusia County percussion. Chris, a freshman at nearby Westfield High School, played freshman football. These two, 15 and 14, respectively, keep adding inches almost before your eyes. Nick, at 11, played league baseball until mid-November. Both he and brother, Chris, are playing basketball and doing baseball conditioning."

"We had 19 here for Thanksgiving and enjoyed deep-fried turkeys. There were only six here for Christmas (I am *not* complaining). We had a Christmas carol party here for neighbors and learned that different songbooks have different lyrics. Son, Will, played trumpet while Ted did the piano. We repeated this with family on the 26th."

Joe Kopf reported, "Mary Ellen and I are going to Egypt for two weeks. Also playing lots of tennis and both of us were runners-up in a recent tournament. I won a \$300 tennis racket and we both won \$30 in restaurant certificates."

Sylvia Beauregard Van Cleave emailed, "2005 was a great year. Baltusrol hosted the PGA Championship and, as chair of the office volunteers, I had the opportunity to meet many of the players. I attended my 50th Reunion for Woodbridge High and thoroughly enjoyed reliving the era of bobby sox and rock and roll. Richard and I enjoyed a spectacular vacation in the fall that included a transatlantic crossing on the *Queen Mary II*, a trip on the *Orient Express* and four days sightseeing in London. Happy New Year to my classmates and don't forget \$59 for '59."

Carolyn Pratt Barton reported, "My only news is that I finally retired after nearly 30 years as volunteer church secretary. My husband has already retired twice, the last time as interim president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. We've been doing a lot of traveling: Ireland, Alabama, Florida, Washington, Oregon, etc., and we'll be going to the Fiesta Bowl in Arizona and later to California. We're enjoying retirement."

Alan Reubel stated, "After spending a lifetime in publishing sales and marketing, including almost 20 years at *Newsweek*, I retired from a position as a director at Rodale Custom Publishing the first week in January. I plan to take a break and continue consulting for Rodale and other media companies. Our son, Zack, graduates from

high school this June, and my wife and I will continue to live in NYC for the immediate future, then move to eastern Long Island. I may be one of the last full-time working stiffs from our class; but, I know Rick Albrecht is still hard at work lawyering in Bridgeport."

Dotty Boice Marsden reported that 2005 was a "rollercoaster" year for her family. Both she and her husband, Bud, spent time in the hospital, but both are in better health now. They lost their daughter, Dana, to breast cancer in September. Happy events were also in order, such as Dotty's 50th high school reunion, where they met up with **Bruce Stevens**. Bruce's wife, Diane, also lost a battle with cancer in 2005. Dotty concludes, "Altogether, we are thankful for the blessings of 2005; and we have found strength in our faith to accept the sorrow. May each one of my Bucknell friends have a meaningful, wonder-filled 2006!" — T.E.D.

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Sally Anderson Brown wrote, "When I received the info from Bucknell about a trip to Holland next April, I thought I should share with you the wonderful bike tour that **Debbie Davis Henderson** and I took last April. Deb and I flew into Amsterdam and had a few days exploring the museums, streets and shops in the city and taking side trips to wonderful Bruges and Ghent before meeting the Butterfield and Robinson Bike Tour. Day one we rode to the Keukenhof Gardens, where seven million tulips, daffodils, hyacinths are in full bloom; truly the greatest flower show on earth. We rode along rolling dunes along the North Sea coastline to The Hague. Day two, we rode to Leiden, a beautiful university town on the Rhine River, on to the green heart of Holland toward the city of Gouda. We loved the open, flat countryside with its meadows, windmills and dykes. On the fourth day, we rode along a route lined with canals to the world famous 19 windmills of Kinderdijk, built in 1740 to drain excess water from the ploder into the Lek River. Our last days were spent riding through the Zeeland region, a sort of Chesapeake Bay area."

"We enjoyed the biking in Holland. The terrain is flat and there is a network of wonderful bike paths. We stayed in hotels with delicious meals. Our two guides gave us interesting insights into the beautiful country. As you can tell, we would recommend the Bucknell tour of Holland. This is the second bike tour Debbie and I have taken. In 1998, we biked through Provence. We started in Avignon to St. Remi, Les Baux-de-Provence, Isle-sur-la-Sorgue and Fontaine-de-Vaucluse, the Luberon Valley and to Gordes."

"I have been so fortunate to have had many fun trips. With some friends from Vermont, we hiked through Glacier National Park and two weeks in the Swiss Alps. Our daughter, Cary, and I took many road trips in the past Octobers through northern California, Oregon, Nevada and Arizona and Zion and Grand Canyon National Parks."

"Our daughters are scattered out west. Cary and Ted and their 2-year-old son, Jaxon, live in Lake Tahoe. Cary is a supervisor in the children's ski program at Heavenly. We enjoy our trips out to ski the Sierras. We were there this past summer and found Lake Tahoe to be beautiful in the summer too. Suzy and Rod and their two children, Powell, 7, and Roddy, 5, live in Longmont, Colo. Kim and Harry live just a mile away from them. We take many trips out there, especially in the winter when we all get together to ski Summit County."

"I find retirement to be a wonderful time in my life. I did enjoy my 33 years of

teaching — the last 27 in first grade. We sold our home in Glen Rock, N.J., and moved to the home we built here in Winhall, Vt., in the early '70s. I am very busy with the community food cupboard. We distribute food every week to more than 100 families in the Northshire area. I also tutor and train tutors for the Vermont Reading Partners, helping both adults and children with literacy. My church, Zion Episcopal, is also important to me. I spend many hours in my garden here in the woods near Green Mountain National Forest. Bob and I enjoy our days playing golf. Soon we will be getting ready for the ski season. This will be my 20th year on the National Ski Patrol at Bromley Mountain.

"Guess that's the latest from me. Pretty well sums up many years since we all were at Bucknell. Sorry we won't be staying at my brother's home in Lewisburg (Sally's brother John is a retired professor from Bucknell). He and Mary are so happy in their new home in Asheville, N.C. All my best to friends far and near from the Class of 1960." Email: sallybrownvt@yahoo.com.

Tony Bruno wrote, "Sept. 8-11, a few lucky classmates got together for a fabulous four-day weekend at the U.S. Vintage Grand Prix at Watkins Glen, N.Y. This was at the invitation of Gloria and **Jim Brubaker**, owners of the Seneca Lodge, and Pam and **Dick Mooney**, who arranged paddock and grandstand passes for everyone. Also attending were **Jim Scura** and Barbara and **Sam Barlow**.

"The event started with a big race-car parade that followed the old open road and street race course that was used before the racetrack was built. Then the race entrants moved to the Watkins Glen International racetrack for some seriously fast racing. There were close to 500 cars entered in competitive classes — everything from vintage Corvettes, Austin Healys, Triumphs, Jaguars, Shelby GT 350s, sports racing cars, open wheel cars, Can Am and later prototype race cars from the '80s. Dick Mooney finished second in a 49-car Class 6 field, driving his big '68 Corvette coupe. He managed to do this in spite of missing third gear, which was lost in an earlier qualification race. Great driving, Dick!

"Many thanks to the Brubaker family for the use of their beautiful lakefront summer home and their hospitality at the timeless Seneca Lodge restaurant and bar. I have many fond memories of that bar from the mid '60s, when I worked in timing and scoring at the Watkins Glen race track and ran my '63 Morgan Plus 4 in sports car events with my wife, Dee. Jim even discovered a photo of us from those days. Wow, have we changed, but the lodge is pretty much as it was and a real time capsule.

"A fantastic time was had by all, especially Jim's brother-in-law, Al, who came up for the weekend from Roswell, Ga., with Jim's sister. One night, after some serious partying, Al returned to the Brubaker

house, took a wrong turn and ended up in the sack with Jim, who had already been asleep for a couple of hours. Jim reached over in the dark to say good night to wife, Gloria, only to discover Al. Jim bolted to the lake house for the night and Al doesn't remember anything, but woke up in his proper bed in the morning. Of course, there was some major needling to be endured for the next few days. The beautiful Finger Lakes countryside, perfect weather, hundreds of vintage cars, exciting racing, great food and drink, old friends, Bucknell memories, lots of laughs; this was one hell of a great time. Thanks again, Jim, Gloria, Dick and Pam for inviting us."

At Bucknell's last home football game, former players, led by **Jack Eachus** and **John Bergfeld**, got together to honor their former coach, Bob Odell. The Class of 1960 was well represented at the dinner Friday night by **Dennis Cox**, **Bob Patzwall**, **Larry Claycomb**, **Tony Rinaldo**, **Bill Baurfeld**, Jack, Bergie and yours truly. Coach Odell and his wife, Jane, returned to campus from their new home in Philadelphia. Their children, Bobby, Nancy and Cindy, joined them. Coach Wrabley and his wife returned to join in the celebration. It was a delightful evening, honoring a wonderful man. At halftime, a monument in the horseshoe of the stadium was unveiled in honor of Coach Odell.

I thank Sally and Tony for their emails. It was good to hear from you and get your news. Remember, I can't write news if I don't get any news from you. — J.S.H.

Reunion 2006

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Just sitting here on the cusp of the New Year. I don't have any news to report since my Homecoming article, but I assume and hope everyone had a great holiday season and you all have a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

I did have a nice fall with my daughter, Laura, getting married. The wedding went swimmingly. I say that because the pictures were taken overlooking the Hudson River. The happy couple will honeymoon out in Palm Springs this spring.

Hopefully, most of you will be submitting a blurb to the Reunion booklet, thus precluding a note to me, but that will be welcomed. Also, remember to post up on *myBucknell*. It is a great way to find a classmate or any Bucknellian. Remember, I have a directory of everyone who ever attended Bucknell, so you can also ask me to get you an address, etc. If you think of it, our class encompasses every class from '57 to around '63.

Note: See the story about myBucknell on p. 20 of this issue.

There is a great deal of excitement and interest with the Bucknell basketball team. They played Duke on my birthday. It should be clear sailing to the NCAAs.

Support the Reunion effort. For those of us who made the 40th, we can assure you it surely is worth it.

I would like to say to all who have responded to my plea for news, thank you; and to those who have not, I'm waitin'.

Be good. If not, be the best you can. Regards. — B.B.

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Ah, the dreaded Jan. 6 deadline has arrived. I say "dreaded" because it is right on the heels of the holidays, when we would all prefer to spend our time breathing sighs of relief. My holidays were the predictable blur of parties, concerts, parties, shopping, decorating and, oh yes, parties. Thanks to an early December snowstorm, our five Forty-Niners concerts were reduced to four, which was a bit of a disappointment. Once again, I was privileged to be a part of the Westminster Presbyterian Church choir Christmas concert, always an awe-inspiring experience. This event, which began five years ago as a single concert on a Sunday afternoon, expanded a few years ago to two concerts. Both concerts resulted in standing room only. This year the ticket demand was so strong that a third concert had to be added the day before. With 106 voices and a full orchestra, they were once again thrilling events, culminating in standing ovations.

Bob and Margie McLean Smink managed to secure 12 tickets for themselves and members of their church. It was so great to see them and very gratifying to be on the receiving end of their support.

Due to an impromptu trip to Longboat Key, Fla., **Beverly Anderson McCausland** had to miss the concert, but seemed to manage enjoying her stay in sunny, warm Florida.

Steve Sugar and his wife, Marie, became empty-nesters when their youngest, Mike, went off to Penn State. Steve and Marie's other two children are married and have presented the Sugars with a total of six grandchildren (four boys and two girls), ranging from an infant to almost seven years. Steve is working on his fifth games book.

A Christmas newsletter from **Dave and Diann Embury Goss** was packed with news of their family. Dave wrapped up his career of long-time service to the greater Cleveland area in February 2005. They sold their home in Shaker Heights on Memorial Day, three days after putting it on the market; relocated to the Albemarle Plantation (Hertford, N.C.) in July and are renting a town house one mile from the construction site of their new home, due to be finished in late spring. We're all invited to go to <http://groups.msn.com/DDGossUpdates/> pictures to see progress pictures.

Dave is an active member of the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Sportsmen's Club, and is exploring local consulting opportunities. Since the golf course is right outside their window, they both play as much as possible, in spite of some cold weather. Diann is a member of the local Women's Club, through which she volunteers one day a week in the local high school. Having joined the United Methodist Church, she is helping train a new Stephen Ministry group. She's helping with the church newsletter, which she had done at their church while in Shaker Heights. They have joined the Albemarle Chorale, a community group of about 40 voices singing

challenging and uplifting music.

Dave and son, Geoff, won the fourth flight of a father-son golf tournament in October, at which time Geoff's wife, Laurie, announced a baby would be arriving in April. Geoff is working on his MBA at a satellite campus of Wake Forest University. Laurie completed her residency program in June, took her medical boards and is a full-fledged pediatrician in Monroe, N.C. Daughter, Jen, her husband, Scott, and children Anna, 8, and Matthew, 5, returned to the USA in August. Dave and Diann spent Thanksgiving weekend with them in Newport, R.I. Scott continues his consulting job, based in NYC with side trips to Russia. Jen started a part-time job as development assistant at the American Sail Training Association, whose mission is to support education under sail through the use of tall ships. They are organizing the 2006 Great Lakes Tall Ships Challenge Series in Cleveland July 12-16.

The Goss' address is 113 Country Club Drive, Hertford, NC 27944. Their after-April address is 125 Cashie Drive, Hertford, NC 27944.

Al Stromberg composed a beautiful newsletter, complete with photographs of his family. The highlight of his year was a double wedding of daughter, Kristy, and Egon Smola, the first wedding at a winery in Sonoma Valley, Calif., in June; the second in Austria, Egon's homeland, in September. The first joining of the families was attended by Egon's brother, Winfred, who came from Austria to be the best man. Many of Kristy's and Egon's U.S. friends and Kristy's cousin, Gary, and his wife came, while Kristy's brother Kirk was in the wedding party. In Austria, Egon's parents hosted a beautiful formal wedding in a magnificent church in Ossiach in early September. Egon's and his parent's friends came from many parts of Europe for the wedding. The church overlooked a beautiful lake and was adjacent to a historic monastery where the reception dinner and dancing were held. Al's granddaughter, Kiara, was a flower girl at both weddings.

Sadly, 2005 brought the death of Bill Taylor, **Nancy's** dad. In addition to being a wonderful grandfather, Bill was a leader in his community, especially in the area of education.

Al continues to enjoy retirement, actively managing investments, helping support the family cottages on Long Island and traveling. He spent July Fourth weekend with his Theta Chi brothers and their wives, and visited friends in Tucson, Ariz., and the family of Russian friends in Latvia.

And now, the latest from **David and Ruth Liming Ackroyd '65**. Dave's newsletter arrived just moments before this deadline. I wish there were some way I could replicate the entire letter for you, because it was priceless. Their daughter, Abby and her husband, Seth, are the parents of Sam, 3, and Max, 1, while daughter Jessica and husband, Seth, have two daughters, Lily, 4, and Ava, 14 months. According to Dave, they "are all budding Nobel Laureates and future supermodels. They are angelic in demeanor and saint-like in goodness and each resembles nothing so much as a synthesis of Mother Theresa, Michael Jordan, Brad Pitt, Audrey Hepburn and J-Lo."

The Ackroyds are the owners of a vacation two-bedroom condo in Whitefish, Mont., 40 miles away from their home in Kalispell. The Alpine Theatre Project, which he helped found three years ago, shows every sign of becoming not only a successful professional summer theatre but also a full-fledged, year-round operation. Ruth continues to run the college, while Dave deems it his primary mission as an instructor in theatre arts to "convince local homecoming kings and queens that they do not, automatically, by divine right, have a claim on careers resembling those of Russell Crowe and Reese Witherspoon." He played Professor Henry Higgins in *My Fair Lady* and will be taking on King Arthur in *Camelot*.

Thanks to all who continue to keep

Photos on the Web

Have a great photo you'd like to share with classmates and friends? Now you can through the online version of Class Notes. Weddings, reunions, special occasions or events can all be shared through the online version of *Bucknell World*.

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me informed. I do hope your Christmases were spent with loved ones, and that 2006 will prove to be healthy, successful and peaceful. — B.K.S.

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Best wishes for 2006!

Polly Mitchell Savidge's mystery novel, *Murder Wears a Red Hat*, has been published, and is available through Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble.com. The story begins in the Lewisburg area before moving to Charleston, S.C., so Bucknellians will recognize numerous references. Polly hopes it will be the first in a series.

Penny West Suritz wrote about Polly's book, but slipped in a reference to leaving for vacation to St. Thomas. Penny lost 30 pounds in order to wear a swimsuit without a skirt for snorkeling. After purchasing the suit, however, Penny bought a sarong to cover it up! So much for baring all.

John McMinn lives in Germany, but spent three weeks in the States in October. He laughed that in Arizona he went to a Mexican restaurant where the waitress was Swiss, and in NYC went to a Swiss restaurant where the waiter was Mexican. Drop me a note if you would like an email address to return his greetings.

Jan Rugen Mittelstaedt maintains a piano studio/performance area in the lower level of her Portland, Ore., home. Each of her 25 students is expected to hold musicianship in high regard such that sports events do not supercede piano lessons, and each student participates in a monthly group class and at least three recitals each year. **Lynne Davison Hoffmann** thought to send me a copy of a feature article on Jan's work in *Clavier*, a magazine for music educators. Lynne mentions that she and her husband, Charlie, had traveled to Portland for her master's recital and found it most impressive. She says that Jan's compositions have been published and received awards.

Bob Terio continues performing with the Fairfax Wind Symphony, with two performances the week he wrote, one at George Mason University, one at the Virginia Music Educators' conference in Norfolk, Va. He also plays in a softball league where he has been pleased to play with and against **Donald "Spider" Westcott '64**, although the two were not acquainted with each other at Bucknell.

Dick Coleman Brown writes that after 30 years as an RN, his wife, Cecily, hopes to join him in retirement. She has supported his habit of taking in stray dogs and cats for 20 years, and he jokes that if she's home all the time, they may find they're not compatible. The two dodged hailstorms, hurricanes and endured nine months of drought with record high temps, but otherwise had a quiet year.

Dick Fidler worked his way through 2005 with many eating adventures, both at home and at venues far and wide. He attended Bucknell's presidential inauguration in April. He, his brother and dad were able to stay at Ward House, convenient to the festivities. According to Dick, the Friday banquet in the field house had the best food yet. After the meal, a stage appeared and the Beach Boys presented a concert right before their eyes.

Dennis '61 and Andrea Becker Rittenhouse have half of their family back near the nest with David, Magda and their daughter, Helenka, in Princeton rather than London. Helenka had not seen snow, so initiating her has been fun. The Rittenhouses are deep into Habitat for Humanity. Dennis will return to El Salvador for a Holy Week project and invites Bucknell friends to join him. Andrea traveled to Egypt last year with

some of her Georgian Court University professors. They went to Alexandria and Cairo, traveling down the Nile from Luxor to the Aswan High Dam and back, and flew to Abu Simbel in the south desert. In September, Dennis, Andrea, and David flew to Poland to catch up with Magda and Helenka, who had traveled there to arrange for Helenka's baptism in a picturesque convent over the mountain from the family's summer home. The whole Polish family came for events that spilled into the following week. All was perfect with delicious al fresco dining on the mountaintop, hiking, berry picking, side trips and general revelry. Andrea will graduate with an MA in theology in May, but has not decided what to do with it.

Darryl and Sigrid Christensen Novak '64 are enjoying grandparenthood with grandchildren living closer than in the past. Their large extended family results in many events, reunions and parties. In September, they stole some time for a jazz cruise on the *Radisson Seven Seas Navigator* from Old Montreal to Old Quebec through Nova Scotia, Bar Harbor, Boston, and back to New York. Darryl led our Bucknell class committee for the Annual Fund drive. Your representatives this year are **Douglas Bloomquist, Richard Fidler, Roy Kissinger, Charles Wharton** and myself. Each year the initiative is different, but always rewarding. You make the difference.

If this column is missing your news, send it. I will do my best. — W.S.B.

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Larry Casey told me of the September Phi Gam reunion at **Matt McCloskey's** home in Princeton. Forty-four brothers from '64, '65 and '66 attended the "guys only" two-day event that included a catered dinner and "endless supply of beverages." The first night began with a surprise visit from **Lynn Stuggles Dunham**. Larry wrote, "It was so great to see her and I think she enjoyed seeing everyone. **Bill** was in our presence the entire time with constant references and remembrances." I hope someone will send pictures to myBucknell.

Dow Fenton Malnati threw a surprise birthday party for her 90-year-old mother. Makes me wonder who else is lucky enough to still have elderly parents in their lives? She and husband, Bob, have added ballroom dancing to tennis, biking and other aerobic pursuits. If she can't dance as well as Ginger, hope she at least gets to wear the great clothes.

Jeann Anderson Hicks joined the ranks of grandmother in February thanks to daughter Wendy.

Jeff '63 and Teddy Furst Martin were visited by **Ginny Williams Champion** and her husband, Jim Bonner, and John and **Greer Shroff Gardner**. Enroute to Florida, the Martins visited **Don and Bobbi Plantamura Rodgers** and enjoyed their Memphis hospitality. Hurricane Wilma spared the Martins' Naples home but much of their neighborhood suffered damage, especially the beautiful banyan trees. Jeff's mom turned 95 and still does the *New York Times* Sunday crossword. If that is the key to longevity, then I'm on the right track.

Dick '63 and Gail Kille Tyrrell were donating their savings in Christmas cards and postage to a local Hilton Head charity. Continuing the theme of aging parents, they have three living parents with a combined age of 272. Gail's mom is 96. Dick wrote, "It seems that our Bucknell connections provide great entertainment each year. **Vic Manuele '62** had the Bucknell Fijis to his Cherry Hill house this summer — to admire **Duncan Hubley's '62** new haircut. (Guess you had to be there!) In November, football players under coach

Bob Odell gathered on campus to lie about how great we were. We love to see Alice and **Charlie Johnson '63** on our lakes in the summer, and **Silky '62** and **Kathy Meara Sullivan** in Marco Island in the winter. Betty and Brad Tufts are also close by in Hilton Head." Dick has added gospel singing to his repertoire and claims he's "a good singer when loudness is required," but those who were at the 40th Reunion know he is being uncharacteristically modest.

Finally, some additional feedback on my use of "Luddite" back in the June '05 column. "Thumbs up," says Dow. "Of course a Bucknell grad would know its meaning. Keep promoting 'cultural literacy' — it's better than those all too frequent 'senior moments.'"

And from **Nancy Nicholson Yoder**. "**Dave Spencer** is selling us short. [Luddite] is a vocabulary word in the history book I taught from. It was also in a lesson on words derived from people's last names — Macadam, sandwich etc." So there you have it. Next column we'll consider the word sexagenarian. — D.S.K.

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It's amazing! My first column of 2006 has unsolicited news from several classmates. **Wally Schwartz** married Jin Zhenshu, a Chinese national, in January 2005. Last fall they spent a month traveling throughout Sichuan Province and Tibet. Wally was fascinated by the people, the sights and the delicious food. They reside in West Virginia, where he works as a safety and loss control specialist for a state-run insurance company.

Angie Sills and husband, Steve McVay, have moved from the Northern Mariana Islands to Tennessee, where she teaches microbiology and biology at Motlow State College. After 16 years teaching abroad, they decided it was time to live on the same continent as their parents and grown children. They plan to visit the Pacific Rim and Asia often to visit friends and enjoy their condo in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Mary Brecht McGready and husband, Tom, spent a delightful Veterans Day in NYC at the Annual Baron Fund Investors extravaganza at the Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center. Mary reports that **Ron Baron** really treated his investors to an enlightening and entertaining day. Entertainment included the Beach Boys, Lionel Ritchie and a surprise visit from Sir Elton John.

Jim Rowbotham provided additional news from our 40th Reunion. Lambda Chi Alpha hosted a Friday night reunion dinner at the Victorian Lady Restaurant, followed up with DVD and CD-ROM memories from the event. The Lambda Chi event was planned and executed by **Jim Dunn, Dick Stewart** and **John Rindlaub**. Class of 1965 attendees included **Wilson Berry, Terry and Edie Meteneit Conner, John and Bev Dietz Cox, Tom Holmes, Scott Horner, Dick Magruder, Ron Mask, Al Musterer, Andy Ringgold, Bob Tadross, Nat Tarbox** and **Jim Woodward**. Other Lambda Chis joining the celebration were **Ken Anderson '66, Stan Ecton '66, Ray Fritsch '66, Dick Galaty '66, John James '66, Ron Morrison '66, Doc Rollins '67, Hank Weil '66 and Biff Williams '66**. The Lambda Chis already are planning their 2006 Reunion event, preceded by a 2006 golf trip and an early 2007 Las Vegas excursion.

Jim met **Andrew Arias '99** at the New York Athletic Club. A Bucknell t-shirt brought them together. Andrew is a NYPD officer who's on the job keeping NYC safe. We thank you, Andrew. We're proud of you. — L.H.T.

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Wow! I can't begin to tell you how many wonderful and informative messages I've received from our classmates. That's because there weren't any.

Did you all realize this is our 40th Reunion year? Have you made any plans to attend? If so, why not let your classmates know that you'll be there? Here's another idea: if you're not attending, let us know that, too. If your reason for not attending is the most original or interesting, you can win a valuable Certificate of Merit (worth at least \$1.89) from your Class Reporters. How can you resist an offer like that?

Of course, there's another alternative: Lacking notes from our class, Connie and I will have to fill this column with the adorable antics and sayings of our grandchildren. So let us hear from you and save your classmates from a fate worse than death.

But wait! Can it be? We have news! **Liz Griffiths Jackson** writes, "Your call for help in filling some white space propelled me to contact you. I see **Flossie Graeber Watt** once a year, who has done a stellar job in keeping up with Bucknell and keeping me informed. I have no desire to retire and continue to enjoy being the vice president of an association management company. My husband is retired and started a new career of being a personal trainer, although on a limited basis so as not to interfere with his golf and traveling with me to meetings when the destination (potential for golf) appeals to him."

"I have been a leader in several membership organizations in the association profession and serve as treasurer on the board of trustees of the Center for Association Leadership, a national organization focusing on leadership development and professional education of those who serve as staff members of associations. Home is Falls Church, Va., a suburb of Washington, D.C., and within 15 minutes of our only child's home in McLean, Va., and our three granddaughters.

"I will be attending the Reunion in June and look forward to reacquainting myself with college friends, if we can recognize each other. Life is good and I look forward to seeing you both in June."

Liz has one request of the Reunion Committee, which I expect many of us would second with great enthusiasm: that you use very bold, dark, large type on the name badges. It would save many of us from the embarrassment of squinting at a badge while trying to place a face! — J.E.R.

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Just a brief hello, how are you and where are those updates? How are you doing with your New Year's resolutions? Let me know and I'll share.

Are you enjoying those preparations for spring? Hey, so what if the Washington Nationals fizzled? That's last year, wait until this season. And how about those Washington Redskins? That's a football team!

Back to those resolutions, like losing a few pounds, getting some exercise, seeing

family and friends, being charitable (remember Bucknell please), laughing a lot and finally sending Mark at least one note. I was in Kona, Hawaii, in January looking for paradise and the best chocolate-covered macadamia nuts.

Start preparing for our 40th Reunion; it's getting close. Go, Bison! — M.S.

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Note: We learned at press time that former class reporter Bob Boucher succumbed to brain cancer and died on Feb. 13. Bucknell World extends condolences to his family and friends. His obituary will appear in the June issue.

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Henry Ingham writes, "I am writing in for the not particularly rich and not even remotely famous portion of the Class of '69. After graduation I joined the Peace Corps, spending a year in Iran when you could still go there. Then I was a guest of the U.S. Army for two years in Wurzburg, Germany. When I got out, I went west and worked for Pier 1 Imports as a store manager in Berkeley, Calif., for a few years.

"I got tired of city life, decided to go back to art school and enrolled at Humboldt State University in Eureka, Calif. I graduated in 1980 adding a degree in art to my business degree from Bucknell.

"Since then I have been working in the television business. I'm the general sales manager at the NBC affiliate in Eureka. I have a beautiful wife, a son, a daughter, three dogs and two adorable grandchildren who can be viewed on our website, www.geocities.com/hmingham. We live in Eureka in a house we designed and built

ourselves, surrounded by redwoods, deer and various small animals we think could be opossums.

"If you think you still owe me money from school, I can be reached at hmingham@kiern-tv.com. Life is good." — P.D.



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Trevor Lewis dropped a note, since he's not sure he can make it from the Big Apple to Lewisburg, which he says he "fled" right after graduation. His first stop was the Drama School at Juilliard, preparing for a career in acting. Things didn't go exactly as planned, so at 28, and "tired of being poor," he "talked his way" into Columbia, earning an MBA in 16 months, and began a 23-year career as an investment banker.

In 2002 he left "the avaricious, blood-sucking shark tank" of Wall Street and returned to college again, this time to earn an MSW from NYU. He's beginning to practice psychotherapy and plans to go for a Ph.D. in 2007. By his calculations, he'll get the degree and his first Social Security check at about the same time. While no job could offer the potential remuneration of Wall Street, the passion he feels for the work more than makes up for the monetary differential; though, he added that while money can't buy happiness, it does upgrade despair nicely.

Trevor had two life partners over the years. He lost Bill to AIDS after they had been together for almost 14 years. He's been with Matthew, a psychiatrist, since 1987.

Jane Howe Lingeman noted a major change of address. After way too many years in New Jersey, she and husband, Bob, along with two kids and assorted pets have become New Englanders. Jane, Bob, Eddie and Melissa can be found at 470 New Road, Avon, CT 06001. Drop her a note at JHLZebra@aol.com. The best news is that the new home puts her two hours closer to her favorite vacation spot in South Wellfleet on Cape Cod.

Just a final reminder about Reunion. You've already gotten several, but if you haven't made plans to attend all or part of our 35th Reunion, please take a minute to do so. While 35 years doesn't have the same celebratory ring as 10, 25, or say 50, it will still be a lot of fun. The committee has been working hard to make the party memorable and I know we've all come a long way since Dr. Watts handed us our diplomas.

And by all means, if you haven't mailed in a gift to support the annual fund drive, please support our efforts to make sure future students can have the same advantages we all have.

By the way, a few contributions for this column would be nice too. — E.R.

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Richard Ellison reports, "In June I changed jobs yet again. I am an SVP and senior portfolio manager for Washington Mutual. It is a very exciting position, and I was surprised to get this opportunity at this stage of my career.

"Having previously lived in New Orleans, I have a strong sense of what Katrina was like. My old home was washed away according to the satellite pictures. My family has been involved in Habitat for Humanity's efforts to restore some housing to the area.

"Then Rita struck. Being half Cajun, I

have 15 cousins between Lake Charles, La., and Houston. Three lost their homes. Ironically, Rita followed the same path as Audrey in 1957. I was visiting my grandmother in Lake Charles when that one hit. Communications were not quite so good in those days. It was pretty ugly then, and obviously, it is no better now. New York seems kind of safe these days." Richard can be reached at 135 Law Road, Briarcliff Manor, NY 10510.

John Wolff reports, "On Oct. 28, **Mark Wells**, a friend, classmate and Lambda Chi Alpha brother, telephoned and invited me to attend the Cream concert at Madison Square Garden. The call surprised me because he and I hadn't communicated with or seen one another for more than 30 years. As an added bonus, he also invited classmate and brother **Ron Kaye**, another friend with whom I hadn't communicated or seen for three decades. The next Wednesday, Mark and his wife, Helen, graciously took Ron and me to Keene's Steakhouse, where these old friends dined and reminisced about our escapades at Bucknell and Lambda Chi. At the concert, we continued regaling one another with stories from that bygone era. Sadly, Mark was confined to a wheelchair because cancer ravaged his body. Nevertheless, his spirit was indomitable and his laugh and smile contagious. I emailed him the next day to thank him for reconnecting the three of us, and implored him to continue smiling and to remain strong. Several days later his cousin telephoned and informed me that Mark had passed away. I attended his funeral. He touched the lives of many; his church was packed. Three close friends, his pastor, and Helen spoke eloquently and elegantly about Mark and his life. The service ended with the attendees listening to Simon and Garfunkel's 'Old Friends.' Afterward, I told Helen, 'I only regret that Mark and I lost contact for these many years, but I will always remember how he reconnected with Ron and me.'"

The Telluride Bluegrass Festival was invaded, errrr, graced once again this past June by **Peter Murchison, Steve Meilleur** and **David Meilleur '04**, wielding musical instruments and Bison pride. Steve writes, "Whilst walking from camp to the festival site one glorious afternoon in our Bucknell t-shirts, an on coming festi-varian stopped dead in his tracks with a most ugly and fowl scowl. I looked at him and said, 'Kansas, right?' 'Yeah,' his sullen reply. Made our day! Greetings to all, and send a note if you're inclined to come to T-Ride this summer for the festival." You can see a photo of them on the *Bucknell World* website. ☺ Steve's email is dawgeye@gmail.com. — S.L.C.

John Carlson, his wife, Nuala, and son, Sean, attended the Nobel Prize festivities, including the awards ceremony, banquet and gala ball in Stockholm, Sweden, in December. John's brother-in-law, Richard Schrock of MIT, was awarded the 2005 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work in developing the metathesis method in organic synthesis. John lives in Andover, Mass., and is CEO of System Change, Inc., a consulting firm that specializes in business assessments and modeling.

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Dave Berkheimer, president of DLB Enviro Systems, Inc., plans to attend our 30th Reunion. Mail can reach him at daveberkheimer@cox.net.

With their three older children out of the nest, **Steve** and **Jean Valerio Stewart** of Madison, Conn., have taken the plunge into parenthood again. Foster child, "adorable" Andre, has been with them since July and is 19 months old. Email can reach them at SStewart@bwhittle.com.

Your class reporter will most likely not get to Reunion '06 because of a teaching commitment. I am the weekend pre-licensing instructor for the Harrisburg Realtors Institute. — M.S.G.

The Ohio State Bar Foundation honored **Michael Flowers** with the Ritter Award, its highest honor. He was appointed to the Columbus State Community College board.

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Dear classmates: I'm not really sure what possessed me to volunteer for the position of class reporter other than, like many of you, I immediately open to our class notes when *Bucknell World* arrives and thoroughly enjoy reading everyone's submissions.

I know you will all join me when I say I cannot begin to thank **Carol Ingald** for her years of keeping us all informed. I only hope I can do as great of a job as she has done.

I admittedly have lost touch with most of my buddies from Bucknell and do hope that through this position I will hear from them again. I returned to the campus in October '04 with **Jill Campana Potdevin '76** to attend the Pi Phi initiation of Jill's daughter, **Lauren Bartley**, who is a junior at Bucknell (with younger sister, Diana Bartley, set to join her this fall as a freshman). It really brought back memories to be on campus while students were there. And, I still can't get over Hunt Hall having an elevator.

I won't bore you with any more personal details — just know this: I fully expect to hear from all of you! Don't make me name names.

I have an assignment for you: "OMG, I'm 50!" Tell me about it. Let's all commis-

erate together. — K.M.A.

Bucknell World also welcomes *Jane MacCallum Preziosi* as class reporter.

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I am starting to think **Jeff Brown** knew exactly what he was doing when he "hung up his spikes" after the 25th Reunion. No one writes. So no news to report again this month. I guess I understand. My life is like anyone else's with nothing "newsworthy." Two kids in college. One in high school. Work is still interesting but not worthy of details in this forum.

Anyway, hope you all had a good winter. My next deadline is March 5, then June 15.

Remember to consider hiring Bucknell juniors for summer internships. — M.M.

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Deb Cassara came face-to-face with a life-size poster of **Matt Bogdanos** at the Time Warner Mall in NYC. Matt has written the book *Thieves of Baghdad*, and the store was having a book signing several days later. Deb was sorry that she had to miss the event. She's perpetually busy teaching math in Port Jervis, N.Y., chaperoning and planning school trips and seeing the ballet and Broadway shows. Her email is DCASSARA@hvc.r.r.com.

Melinda Molyneaux Edwards was very disappointed that the October issue had so little news of classmates after she'd been riding the Reunion wave of friends. She had a Bucknell summer, beginning with a visit from **Ann Rogers**. She remembers hours in the car traveling with Ann back and forth to school. In July, she and her husband hosted the Pittsburgh Bison Gathering where she ran into **Mark Cobetto '79** and **Joanne Caldwell '79**, whose children are in the first-year class. She reminisced about the 1976 reception and meeting **Paul Pigman**, her first Bucknell friend. Paul is still in the "Burgh" and runs into Melinda's husband now and again (I remember meeting **Helen Hollingshad** and **Patty Links Perlic** at that same reception).

She also reflected on all the pals she saw at Reunion, particularly **Alexa Gilleran Quinn**, **Alyce Andrews**, **Kim Koehler**, **Kendra Asplundh Haines** and **Lisa Ogren Gadsen**. Her son, John, played bingo with **Dan Wilson** and his daughter, Grace, plus **Anne Wasenius MacClure's** kids, **Stuart Gray** and **Steck Johnson** were around as well, and Melinda hopes to hook up with **Bill Crane** and **Todd and Ginny McMinn Whitaker '81** when she visits her son in Princeton. She also plans to see **Carolyn O'Connor** on the East Coast when she takes her daughter on college visits.

Melinda reminds everyone of the importance of keeping in touch with old friends and welcomes classmates to her Pittsburgh home. Make reservations at mommy22658@comcast.net.

From my former baby bio lab partner, **Jonathan Glaser**, came regrets that he was only able to stay at Reunion for a few hours because his son became ill. So a mini-reunion was arranged at a Manhattan westside restaurant. **Chris Kwong** wrote and sent photos for the January issue, which are online. Go to the Class Notes section of the *Bucknell World* website. ☹ Sorry to have missed Jonathan, but glad that he could hook up with some Bucknell buddies. His email is Jglaser80@aol.com.

Barb Dowell married Cameron Lancaster on Sept. 24 at Avalon on Catalina Island. Of the 70 guests, two were Bucknellians: her roommate, **Lena McCleary**, and **Cynthia Kassouf**. It was a casual outdoor wedding with a beautiful view of the harbor, followed the next day by a party and dive boat trip. The wedding cake was cut on the boat, and endangered giant sea bass swam by, a seeming sign of good luck. Barb and Cam headed to Queensland, Australia, for a honeymoon of diving, sailing, flying helicopters and chasing wallabies around the bush. Barb is an executive coach, having left her position at R.R. Donnelley. They live in San Pedro, Calif., and would love to hear from classmates if you're in the area or passing through. Email her at barbaradowell@excn.com.

Neil Warar took his daughter to Bucknell on the college tour in November — his first trip back in about 15 years. He wrote, "It's changed, but then again, it hasn't. Had drinks with my old soph roommate **Bo Bole**; he owns 11 Cole Hardwares in that area. We had a fun weekend on the old campus. I still live on the Jersey shore, am married to Donna for 18 years, and have two daughters, Melissa and Jessica. Still keep in touch with my old mod mate **Pete Tobasco**." Email Neil at Neilwarer@aol.com.

And from the other side of the world comes news from **Mike Cohen**, who is in Tel Aviv after 13 years in Paris. He would love to see some photos from last year's



Holly Kozlowski

Reunion, so email yours to him at mbcohen@wanadoo.fr.

Glad to have so much news. Thanks. — D.L.H.

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Time is flying by, and our 25th Reunion is less than two months away now. I do hope that you are making every effort to get to Lewisburg for this important, fun event. **Amy Viener** and her terrific committee are working hard to create a fun-, memory- and friend-filled weekend for all of us. And the Class of '81 has a reputation for showing up in force and just having a great time being together. No pretense. No bragging. Just 48 hours of reconnecting with people with whom you spent four great years. Trust me, we always come away from these events with a warm feeling about the choices we made decades ago. It helps ground you and reminds you how fortunate you are to have had those four years at Bucknell. So just do it. Show up — extra pounds, wrinkles and gray hairs and all. We just want to see you there.

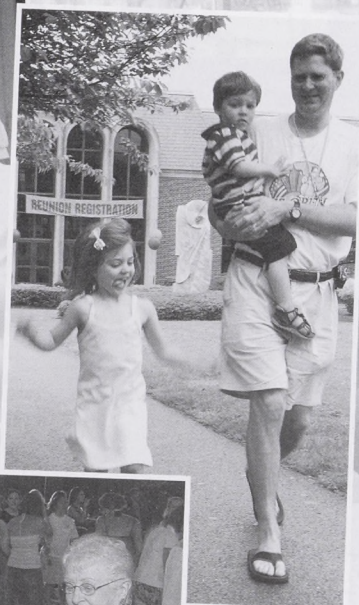
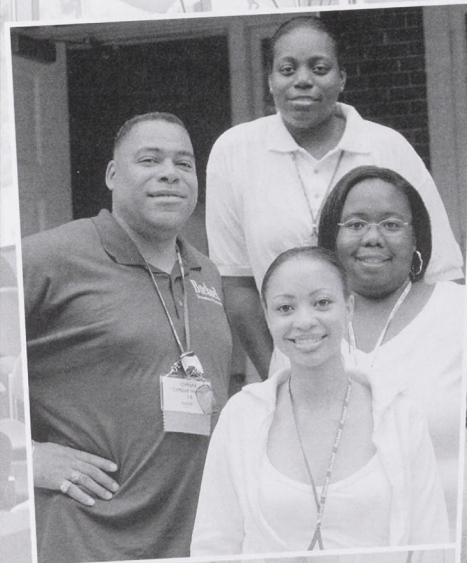
I was really thrilled to hear from **Jay Cresswell**, who was motivated to write when someone at work said something that he thought came straight from Sid Miller's mouth: "At what price — competition?" Memories of Sid are bittersweet, I think, for most of us business majors. But he did make an impact on us. And I'm glad his memory made Jay send news. Jay's been working in the programming department for Infinity Broadcasting in Dallas for more than 10 years and was appointed executive producer of the Dallas Cowboys Radio Network. As he puts it, "kind of strange for a lifelong Pittsburgh Steeler fan." He caught grief from his boss when Bucknell beat Kansas (the boss' alma mater) during March Madness, but Jay reminded him that his boss was **Les Moonves '71**. Jay plans to

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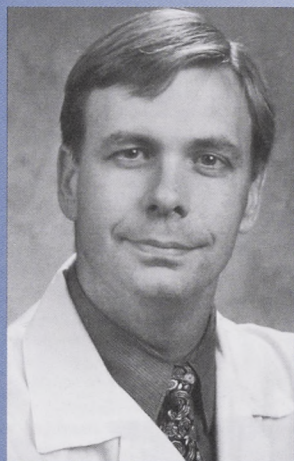
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The Heart of the Matter

Renowned cardiologist **John Boehmer '82** treats some of the most health-challenged people imaginable, working to find remedies to lethal ailments. But, despite having made numerous contributions in the field of cardiology, he tends to take a broader perspective as he reflects on why he goes to work each day.

"When you take on the role of a physician, you step into a person's life, and they let you into their life in a unique way," he says. "It's a privilege to be thrust into the aspects of a person's life and what it is that's affecting them."



Boehmer, a professor at Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center since 1992, dreamed as a child of becoming a doctor, but little did he know where that ambition would take him. Originally from Pottstown, Pa., he started his Bucknell career as a biology major. He shifted to chemistry, where he constantly found himself juggling the pressures of an intense course study with varsity football, lettering for four years.

Boehmer says the extra work helped him focus on what mattered.

"I was constantly running from lab to practice," he says. "The priorities were always clear — if you need to be in lab, you had to be in lab. That was it."

After studying orthopedic surgery at the University of Massachusetts Medical School, he moved to internal medicine in his post-graduate work at the university's Medical Center and then went on to his true calling: training in cardiology at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

His work at Penn State-Hershey has contributed to the development of numerous advancements in cardiology, including new heart-assist and other cardiac devices and long-term treatments. Boehmer became a full-tenured professor at Penn State last July, where, along with his clinical and administrative duties at the hospital, he also serves as chair of the university's planning committee. A widely published academic author, he says one of his most gratifying accomplishments has been working with his students on professional articles.

Boehmer lives in Hershey with his wife, Rebecca Kiker Boehmer '82, and their three children.

In a constantly changing industry, where news headlines tend to focus on rising healthcare costs and the latest "wonder drug," his focus remains the same. "The reason I'm here isn't the tool, it's the patient," he says. "When you step into the room with a patient and close the door, the patient is all that matters — that part hasn't changed." — Brian Watson '01

attend Reunion. It was nice to hear from you, Jay, and also to see that you found a career that combined your lifelong love of radio with a business career. Look forward to seeing you.

I also heard from **Stu Flavell**, who has spent his career helping people living with HIV/AIDS and has finally been recognized for this commitment. Stu recently stepped down as the head of the Global Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS, trading his central Amsterdam flat for a tight one-bedroom in Arlington, Va. He spent most of 2004-05 as the chair of the Resource Mobilization Committee of the board of the Global Fund to fight HIV/AIDS, TB and malaria, and hopes to continue his work in international health advocacy. He is working with HIV-positive people in the Middle East through his former employers and USAID. He received the Henry Davidson Award, given to recognize outstanding service of National Societies of Federation volunteers, members or staff by "Improving the Lives of Vulnerable People by Mobilising

the Power of Humanity."

I thought you would be most affected by hearing Stu's words in his acceptance speech: "In too many places, people with HIV/AIDS are still waiting for the response of the Red Cross and Red Crescent. I dare you to call on us people living with HIV/AIDS as a movement in your own work — make your hospitals centers of care and your youth movement an educated force for prevention. Bring all of your magic and power to this work and we will be there to stand with you."

Stu plans to attend Reunion. I look forward to congratulating him in person. Pretty amazing work and commitment. We are proud of you.

I received a nice email from **T.J. Meseroll** about his exciting work at the children's cancer ward at Long Beach Memorial Hospital. T.J. has been performing magic for more than 30 years and enjoyed entertaining the kids with cancer. The article he sent said, "Combining magic with his black-belt proficiency in martial

arts, Meseroll puts on an energy show as swirl in swords, lights and rapid-fire tricks." He is director of Boeing's Space Intelligence Systems Engineering Division, but performs at places like L.A.'s famed Magic Castle in his spare time. His parents, **Charlie '42** and **Marie Grabowski Meseroll '44** are alumni, as are 21 other relatives. I think we should convince T.J. to come back for Reunion and entertain us all. Friends can reach him at martial_magician@yahoo.com. Great to hear from you.

Gwynn English Nielsen wrote and directed a play about tolerance called *Rainbow Blue*. It featured a cast of mainly seventh grade students from Park Middle in Scotch Plains, N.J. (her hometown). Bucknellians in attendance included Gwynn's dad, **Richard English '49** (to whom she dedicated the performance), **Deb Hennel '80**, **Laurie Weeks Thomas '80** and **Armin Kibelle**. They have kept in touch over the years, and Armin was visiting at the time. He is a professor in Germany.

That's all until we are all together. Really can't wait! Don't forget to send in your gift to the Annual Fund in honor of our 25th Reunion. **Jim Hollen**, **Steve Kohn** and their committee of 45 are hoping that you will respond to their requests for support of the school that did so much for all of us. Now it's our turn to help it do that for the younger generation. Thanks! — C.C.R.

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My junior year roommate, **Becky Turkington Congdon**, has always been a talented craftsperson, and I've received many handmade presents from her. She has taken one of her hobbies and turned it into a business. Her handmade lamp-worked glass jewelry is available on www.art-du-coeur.com (select Becky Congdon). She has a variety of earrings and necklaces from bright ethnic tribal earrings, to soft English ivy and whisper earrings, to spunky star earrings. Each is made of glass beads, sterling and/or gold-filled components. She makes each bead from soft glass from Murano, Italy, using a torch and then fully annealed for strength. Her work is pretty amazing. You can get in touch with her at congdonr@rochesterr.com or at 5039 County Road 36, Honeoye, NY 14471.

Dawn Sanderson Bongiovanni received her doctorate in pharmacology in August and started working for Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research and Development in January. She keeps busy with her four kids and her husband, **Rich**. You can reach her at pharmacrab@aol.com.

My husband, **George '81**, went back to see the Bucknell-Villanova game with **Tom Ganter '81**, **Larry D'Amico '81**, **Vike Vakiener '81** and **Tim Christie '83**. Despite the loss, they had a good time seeing the campus and being welcomed back at Sigma Chi. The brothers couldn't believe that the house once had such things as triples and a sleeping porch since all but two of the rooms there are now singles. They also got to visit with Villanova coach **Jay Wright '83**, **Ray Barry '83**, **Cal Purifoy '84**, **Rob Abraham '83** and **Al Sigler '81** among other returning alumni. They enjoyed reuniting with **Mary DeCredico '81** when she invited them to sit in the President's Club box. By time this is published the Bison basketball season will be over, but we are all enjoying the ride. Go, Bison! — R.G.K.

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Judging from the orange in the stands, **Jim** and I were two of the lucky few Bucknellians to watch the Bucknell-Duke game in person. It was an incredible event. I have never seen such knowledgeable, enthusiastic fans and such amazingly talented athletes. Coach **Pat Flannery '80** should be very proud of his team; they played a great game and were wonderful representatives of our university. When I saw Pat shaking Coach K's hand just before the game, it really hit me that Bucknell basketball has hit the big time.

Mary Beth Damico sends news from Germany: "I live just outside of Munich, and both my husband, **Noel Pick**, and I graduated from Bucknell in 1983. Noel is a financial adviser and money-manager at a Munich-based asset management company. I write for publications such as *WSJ Europe*, *Red Herring*, *Business Week* and some other financial publications. I work from home, and without the Internet my job would be impossible. This also allows me time with our two girls, Francesca, 16, and Bianca, 14. They go to the local German Gymnasium and are in 11th grade and eighth grade, respectively. We moved over to Germany in 1989 when Noel, who grew up here, took a job at a brokerage house in Munich.

"I've also started a hobby for myself on the side. In 2002, I lost my job as an editor at an Amsterdam-based magazine. I had recently taken up the guitar, because Francesca was learning. She also writes her own songs on guitar. I was also listening to lots of new kinds of music from the Dixie Chicks, Patty Griffin and other singer-songwriters. In 2003, I began writing my own songs, and later, started recording them on my computer.

"I co-founded a band called Far from Home with another American woman. It's a kind of alternative country band. We do songs of singers that people generally don't know in Germany. It's a lot of fun performing together and just proves it's never too late to start doing something you love. I keep in touch with lots of musicians online, and have even recorded a collaboration with them (I also have my own website, www.myspace.com/marylisbeth).

"I keep in touch with **Mike** and **Amy Pettibone Toole** (Amy also went to high school with me) and **Lynn Stoddard** and **Chris Kueffner**."

That's all for now. — T.T.E.

Villanova basketball coach **Jay Wright** was keynote speaker at a luncheon at Philadelphia Country Club at which **Jeff Stoltzfus '06** received the Francis C. Poore Caddie of the Year Award. A photo of the two is available on the *Bucknell World* website. ☎

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Robbie Weaver Schuldt and her family have been settling down into life in the USA after living in Japan for several years. She and her daughter, Julie, have been doing in-school presentations on Japan, complete with authentic drumming, to educate the students about Japanese culture and language. The whole family has been busy traveling, from Florida to St. Louis to Phoenix. After moving eight times in 14 years, she is a pro at getting the family settled in new places.

Lydia Higginson-Lomicky passed along the sad news that **Lisa Eng Petrovich** passed away on Jan. 6. She wrote, "It was a moving service — there were hundreds of people, including many of her former students. I told her husband I intend on keeping up with them; this way Cailin will know an old friend of her mother's."

Lydia and her husband, Bob, celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary in February. She is director of development for Locust

Grove, the Samuel Morse Historic Landmark in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., where they are in the midst of a 33-acre land acquisition and open space preservation project, raising \$2.4 million.

In November, I gave birth to our sixth child, bringing the total to three boys, three girls. Baby Timothy was born Nov. 19, and we are looking forward to bringing the whole brood out to Bucknell for Reunion Weekend. It's a great event, especially all the fun activities for children. Hope to see you there. — G.D.T.

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Reunion is fast approaching. You can update your own profile from the *myBucknell* portal and post a photo of you and your family. If you need help or your password, just click on the Contact Us button.

Plan to attend our 20th Reunion in June. I'll have a recap of the weekend in a later column.

Scott Ferguson emailed: "My wife, **Meg Reynolds Ferguson '88**, and I have moved to Aiken, S.C., taking a transfer within Agilent Technologies. I'm an account manager/application engineer, selling electronic test instruments to Intel's server chipset validation lab in Columbia. We've fallen way out of touch with our old Bucknell friends and are looking forward to living in the same time zone again.

"We're planning to come to Reunion and hope to reconnect with folks there. Our new address is 710 Colleton Ave. SE, Aiken, SC 29801. Our phone number is 803-644-7818." Ferg's email is sferguson@agilent.com, and Meg's is megferguson@bellsouth.net.

Michael Pellini and his wife, **Jane Molinari**, welcomed Elizabeth Francis on April 9. Elizabeth joins big sister Catherine Ann, 4. The Pellinis attended the wedding of **Jon Bennett** and Susan Breese in Massachusetts and plan to attend Reunion. — J.D.C.

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John Vitolo was promoted to associate publisher, sales and marketing for Yankee Magazine and *The Old Farmer's Almanac*.

Lisa Sicard had a baby girl, Cameryn Grace, in February 2005. She joins Ryan, 7, Jackson, 4, and Carolyn, 2.

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Tom and **Gracemarie Sax Jeter** moved from Severna Park, Md., to Portland, Maine, in February. In 2003, she resigned from a career with the federal government to stay home full time with daughters Alexis, 11, Emma, 4, and Erin, 3. Contact them at saxjeter@aol.com.

Since Greg and **Susan Beck Meador** were married in 1997, the family has had two sons and six addresses. The most recent moves were from Montreal to Orlando to their home in Austin, Texas. Susan is a full-time mom to Christopher, 7, and Michael, 4. You can reach her at 12708 Lipizzan Court, Austin, TX 78732 or by email at smeador@meertech.com.

My fellow Pi Beta Phi, **Lynn Cialdella**, switched careers, earned a master's in exercise physiology from the University of Texas-Austin and started a Ph.D. in nutrition at Oregon State University. Her primary research focus is on female athletes, specifically female athlete triad, which is a term to describe the combination of three conditions: disordered eating, bone disease and menstrual disturbances, commonly seen in female athletes who engage in endurance and athletic sports. In August, she became engaged to a man she originally met through a volunteer program called the MBA Enterprise Corps. Her email address is lcialdella@aol.com. — R.L.B.

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Since class reporters submit our columns several months prior to publishing dates, I find myself writing these notes on Jan. 1, in front of a healthy fire and accompanied by a college bowl game on TV in the background. As always, the turn of the year brings about that feeling of starting over, and this one is no exception. I started a new job only three months ago, as marketing director for Lighthouse Computer Services. I get to be somewhat creative by writing, designing and creating various brochures, reports, websites, emails and technical documents for a growing company. Problem is, I work from home 100 percent. And although that may sound desirable to many of you, it's actually the worst part of my job. Very little structure, paltry human contact and a dammingly quiet work environment make me understand *The Shining's* Jack Torrance a whole lot more.

Nevertheless, the benefits of working from home are not lost on me. In fact, I have my own executive washroom, a private lunchroom with a variety of selections, unlimited breaks and an extremely short commute — 12 small steps downwards. Yet, good or bad, my situation feels like a brand-new start. A new position, a new company, a new year ... with only old spaghetti and meatballs to comfort me.

And so it was early in my freshman year at Bucknell. That awkward feeling of newness had entered me, and although my new Bucknell world was wonderfully exciting, I felt uncomfortably displaced for some time. But one day, as I waltzed into the cafeteria for dinner, an old friend appeared in front of me — spaghetti and meatballs. I happily got a plate and chowed down with my fellow freshmen, enjoying the comforts of home.

Suddenly, as we were ready to leave, someone asked for volunteers for a spaghetti-eating contest. In addition to my typical urge for seconds, *this* was the break I'd been looking for: a chance to impress my new friends and enjoy another plate of the cafeteria's finest.

I volunteered with six or seven other linguine lovers and placed my hands behind my back in a no-utensil pasta pig-out. The opening whistle blew, and within 15 seconds I had slurped down my plate of noodles and secured myself a \$25 gift certificate to the old Scarlet D restaurant in

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Autism Educator

A gentle touch can feel reassuring, says **Susan Wagner Colon '98**, author of the *Autism Resource Booklet*, but to an individual with autism it can be uncomfortable, even painful. "So," she says, "we have to understand that individuals with autism experience the world differently than we do."

The *Autism Resource Booklet* was created in response to the difficulties Colon herself encountered as a parent of a child with an autistic spectrum disorder. "I have been privileged to experience



miracles in my life, two of which are my wonderful sons," she says, emphasizing that having a child with autism does not cause problems. The problems occur with getting the autistic child what he or she needs. Despite the rising incidents of autism, many parents become frustrated trying to find resources for their child.

Colon says that Julia Robinson '83, MS'00, a school psychologist at the Central Susquehanna Intermediate Unit and an adjunct instructor at Bucknell, was "an invaluable support" for the booklet, which includes "red flags" of autism, a flow chart of services in

the five-county area, and lists of specialists, pediatricians, family support, and online resources.

"The criteria were people who were truly helping children with autism," Colon says of the booklet. It is intended for parents, caregivers, medical professionals, educators — "anyone who wants information for dealing with autism."

The divorce rate for couples with special needs children is 80 percent, Colon says, and there is little support for parents of autistic children. "They're just given the diagnosis and then left to face it as best they can. I saw the tremendous need to advocate for children and individuals with autism, their families, and caregivers and the need to promote awareness and education about ASDs."

"I really want to dispel the myths of autism," she says. She continues to facilitate roundtable discussions with Robinson for WKOK radio and last year hosted an Autism Awareness Event for parents, with children's activities supervised by Bucknell students. The standing-room-only attendance emphasized the need in this area.

"It had such an impact on me that the next day my husband and I set up the website (www.autism-advocacy.org)," Colon says. "Who's going to fight for these individuals? I want my son's excellent progress for every child. They deserve early intervention, proper care, and more compassionate understanding from others. I truly believe that these individuals are unlimited in their potential to offer their gifts to the world." — Cindy Herman

Mifflinburg. I screamed in bombastic freshman style, then proudly returned to my stunned group of friends. Though many of them were certainly embarrassed for me (and themselves), others found the feat intriguing and bizarre enough to actually congratulate me, and a few still like to reminisce about my gastronomic achievement. That day, a 17-year-old Bucknellian became one of the guys, and his awkward feeling of newness had been softened a bit by an unexpected serving of spaghetti.

Yes, the start of anything is hard, but always gets easier with time. Like this article, which is the very first one I have written as class reporter. It took me an entire bowl game, not to mention six oak logs, to finish it. But I'm happy now that it's done, and know that writing the next article will be easier and more comfortable, like a big bowl of you-know-what. So for now, I shall switch off my computer, turn to the dwindling fire, and think of inspiration for tomorrow's big day in my basement office: my first day of work in 2006.

Henry Malarkey wrote about his incredible opportunity to return to his hometown of Jamestown, N.Y., where he works as a board certified anesthesiologist. He and his wife, **Kim Geneseo Malarkey '91**, are raising their two boys, Henry, 6, and Ryan, 3, just blocks away from where daddy himself grew up. Henry's sister, **Doris Malarkey Godfrey '93**, and her husband, **Steven '93**, live nearby. Doris is an accountant with a local firm, BWB, and Steve is CFO of Anderson Precision. They have two children, Sara, 5, and Alex, 2, who play with their cousins all the time.

Kimberly Dornisch joined MassMutual in October as the new CIO for the Large Corporate Markets. She still resides in Torrington, Conn.

Theresa Cimino Amantea welcomed her first child, Margaret Rose. Theresa, who has worked for 15 years as executive assistant to former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, will be on maternity leave for a bit, while she and her husband, Scott, get used to bringing up baby. Theresa, Scott

and Maggie live at 25 Dante Place, Waldwick, NJ 07463.

Eric "EJ" O'Dell and his wife, Jill, welcomed Darin Peter, their first, on July 11.

Margo Sipiora Kraus and husband, Jason, welcomed their first child, Madeline, born Oct. 12. Margo is a senior nutrition consultant for Fleishman-Hillard, Inc. and lives in Portland, Ore. She can be reached at margokraus@yahoo.com.

And in the "Understandably Late Department," **Anthony Mariniello** and his wife, Debra, announce the birth of their twins, Anthony Christopher and Samantha Emily, on May 21, 2003. He says, "It has been an incredible two years. Having two infants at once kept us busy, but the toddler stage keeps us running. We are still living on the north shore in Massachusetts in the small town of Rowley." Anthony is co-chair of the New England alumni admissions program for Bucknell and would love to hear from any alumni in the area. He can be reached at amariniello@mortonsalt.com. — D.R.

Christy Nill Barowich emails, "A bundle of us have gathered each year (our 17th year — we began in 1989) at Deep Creek Lake, Md., for a fun-packed weekend. At any rate, the group has grown, and this year's photo is attached. We were missing two of our usual classmates (plus two spouses and a child). Yes, the septic tank overflowed on the last day (and that is a first), and bedtime keeps getting earlier each year." The photo, which includes Christy, **Marianne Marino**, **Kim Baker Shultz**, **John Harrison M'90**, **Jeff Daniels '89**, **Bill Shultz '89**, **Heidi Koko Corrigan '89**, **Joanne Bonifanti Silbermann '89** and **Kurt Lehmann '89**, is available on the *Bucknell World* website. ☺

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I start this issue on a very sad note, letting you know of the passing of **Brian McGrath** on Oct. 30, following a two-year battle with cancer. Brian is survived by his beautiful wife, Kathleen, and 2-year-old daughter, Aisling. Services were held in St. Charles and Batavia, Ill. His three Bucknell roommates (**Steve Cannon**, **Tim Pavlechko**, **Doug Roebuck** as well as **Chris Clark**) were in attendance. A college fund has been started for Aisling, and donations can be made in her name and sent to her at 521 Illinois Ave., Batavia, IL 60510. On behalf of our class, I extend our deepest sympathies to Brian's family. He will be remembered for his bright smile, good sense of humor and strength in the face of adversity. He will be surely missed.

It was great to hear from some close friends for this issue and hearing that they plan to attend Reunion was even better. Please mark your calendars for June 1-4.

Jack and Jen Atherton Reistle had a son, Luke, in September. Their daughter, Leah, is 7. Following maternity leave, Jen is back to teaching French and coaching basketball at St. Peter's School in Philadelphia.

Phil and **Anne Friday Beck** had their third baby, Conrad Phillip, on Oct. 10. He joins Margot, 5, and Heidi, 3. Anne figured after minor in German at Bucknell and spending a semester in Heidelberg, Germany, she should give her kids good

German names. She stopped practicing law officially in 2002, but still does some work here and there to keep active. She writes, "In August, **Beth Conner** flew in from San Francisco to visit. We had a great time and had dinner with **Angie Gibson Pickles** while Beth was here. Angie also lives in Pittsburgh and we still keep in touch. I also keep in touch with Jen Reistle."

Dawn Kleinman Klinghoffer sent news of the birth of daughter Niela, on Nov. 28. She joins her big sister Hannah, 3. Dawn is still working part time at Microsoft. **Rich** is working at Rosetta Inpharmatics. Dawn's email is dawnk@microsoft.com. Rich's is Richard_klinghoffer@merck.com. They still live in Seattle.

Jen Davis Ross and her husband, Max, announce the birth of their son, Jackson, on Nov. 3, in Nantucket, Mass., where Jen and Max relocated in 2002. He is the first grandson to Richard and **Susan Grippi Davis '65** and nephew to **Jeff Davis '88**. Maybe he will be a future Bucknellian too.

Beth and **John Dearing** had their second child, Madelyn Lea, in May. All are happy and healthy. Big brother, Alexander, 2, is doing well, talking up a storm and running, running, running.

Melanie McClinchie Carmelite had Alexander John on Sept. 2. He joins big (really big) brother Jake, 8. Melanie returned to work at PNC Bank where she is a financial manager. They moved into a new home and their address is 123 Valleybrook Drive, Valencia PA 16059. Her email is melanie.carmelite@pnc.com. Melanie gets together frequently with **Kelly Marsh Gronbeck**, who had her third baby three weeks before Melanie. Kelly and her husband, **Jeff '92**, welcomed Luke Michael on Aug. 14. Luke joins big sister, Lauren, 7, and brother, Eric, 3. **Kris Wagner D'Orazio** visited this summer with her two children, Grace, 9, and Nick, 7. They had a great visit and the kids get along well.

Steve Johnson notes, "My wife, Helen, and I welcomed our fifth child, William Bransford, in June. He joins Brynn, Jack, Helen Louise and Avery in our rapidly growing clan. I joined Amaranth, a multi-strategy hedge fund in Greenwich, Conn., as a managing director, after five years at Goldman Sachs. I stay in touch with and frequently see **Jason and Jennifer Jansen Dahl '92**, **Terry and Jackie Smith Pelino**, Karen and **Clay Romweber**, Leslie and **John Ackerman** and Vae and **Jim Mecca**. We can be reached at 91 Rotary Drive in Summit, N.J., or sjohnson@amaranthllc.com."

Grant and **Charlene Jasinski Heslin** "welcomed a second little girl, June Martha, on July 6. She joins sister Ruby, 19 months. Life is hectic with 'two under two' but they keep us laughing."

"In other news, we saw Antigone Rising (**Kristen '92** and **Cathy Henderson '90** and co.) a couple of weeks ago in D.C. when they opened for Rob Thomas. They sound great, look great and are getting really big. Look for their CD in Starbucks. They also have a single out that they co-wrote with Rob, 'Don't Look Back.'"

I was fortunate to touch base with Cathy Henderson and catch up. She and Kristen are enjoying well-deserved success. I also visited their website and their story serves as a reminder to us all to follow our dreams in our life. All the best to you. — J.C.R.

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John Cameron and wife, Kristy, send news of Charles Preston, who was born on Aug. 25, 2003. The family resides at 9217 NE 14th Way, Vancouver, WA 98664.

Bob Ritter and his wife welcomed Samuel Charles on March 5, 2005. Samuel joins sisters Helen, 4, and Emily, 2. Bob writes, "In June, we relocated from the outer suburbs of Washington, D.C., to Pittsburgh, as I took a new job as an attorney with Crown Castle International. We are settled in the South Hills suburb of Upper St. Clair and would very much like to connect with other Bucknellians in the area (particularly those with young children). Our new address is 1541 Redfern Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15241, 412-833-0431, robert.ritter@adelphia.net."

Keith and Nicole Cheyney Krzeminski welcomed Peter Wallace on Oct. 17: "Keith and I are having a great time with him, as he is a great baby. I am lucky enough to be staying home with him for now. Aunt **Laura Tollefsen Baratta** has already been to visit, and Aunt **Jen Dillon Kotz** will be visiting in the next few months. We can't wait to take a trip to Bucknell and show him around campus. He takes his Bucknell baby blanket with him everywhere."

Brett and Stephanie Cohen Schneider welcomed Chelsea Susannah on Oct. 13. She joins big brother Teddy, 2. The family is living in Yardley, Pa. They both work for Charming Shoppes, where Brett is the CFO for Fashion Bug Stores, and Stephanie is the footwear designer.

Songwriter **Paul "Sehnen"** Siebeneicher has been published for the first time. His composition "Her Song" appears on *Friends of the Barrington Coffee House Wide Open Mic 2004-2005*. He can be reached through his website, www.paulsehnen.com. He still works for Metrologic Instruments, Inc., as a software engineer.

A quick update on myself: Life continues to be hectic with Ethan, 18 months, Alex, 5, and Shannon, 8. School, swimming, softball, basketball, Girl Scouts (I'm the troop leader), play dates, trips to the beach, birthday parties, you name it. A lot of time is also spent at doctors and therapists and advocating for Alex, who has autism. With April being Autism Awareness Month, I want other Bucknell families affected by autism to know that you're in my thoughts.

Keep sending all your wonderful news to both Lisa and myself. We love hearing how everyone is doing. — L.M.S.

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Kristen Opdyke-LeVan writes, "I am teaching biology in Pittsburgh, Pa., and working towards my master's in school counseling. I got married to Ronald LeVan July 18, in Lake Tahoe, Calif. Very small ceremony, family only. Ron is the track and field/cross-country coach at Duquesne University. Our email address is Kristen7@zoominternet.net."

Tim Kirk married Jen Johnston in August. He continues to teach at Villanova University. The couple can be reached at 252 Iven Ave., #1C, St. Davids, PA 19087 or by email at timothy.kirk@villanova.edu.

Alec and Amy Merjeski Parsons '97 announce the birth of their first child, Jack Ryan, on Oct. 28. They live in NYC where Amy is a search advertising sales director at InterActive Corporation and Alec is a sales representative for Guidant Cardiac Rhythm Management. Their email addresses are aparsons920@hotmail.com and aparsons1@nyc.rr.com.

Peter and Karen Losch West announce the birth of Annabelle Joy on Aug. 13. She joins big brothers, Colin, 7, Brady, 5, and Garrett, 3. Peter is inpatient supervisor of therapies at El Dorado Hospital. Karen is enjoying her busy job as

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JENNIFER COCKROFT ROTH '91

full-time mom. Their new address is 9607 E. Paseo San Ardo, Tucson, AZ 85747. They also can be reached at pkwest1@msn.com.

Jennifer Hayes Nikolich and her husband, John, welcomed their daughter, Elizabeth "Ellie," on Oct. 2. She joins big brother Peter (20 months). — A.M.D.

Brian Fetterolf writes, "In January 2005, I relocated to Chicago to join LaSalle Bank's Real Estate Capital Markets Group as associate director of structured products. My wife, Jennifer, and I moved with our son, Hunter, into our new home in Winnetka, Ill., along Lake Michigan. In August we welcomed our daughter, Hannah Grace, into our family. We love to hear from friends; our new contact information is 1025 Elm St., Winnetka, IL 60093 (phone 847-446-4676)."

Theresa Kane writes, "On Oct. 8 I was wed to Everett Lee in Cape Elizabeth, Maine. I am a teacher of English language learners with the Portland Public Schools. Everett is with Wellpoint Blue Cross/Blue Shield."

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Kirsten Werner married Charlie Phillips on Sept. 11, 2004, in a ceremony held under a 300-year-old tree at the arboretum where she works. She's been at Tyler Arboretum in Media, Pa., for four years as the public relations manager, and she loves it. She teaches yoga at her husband's yoga studio, and she's working on her B.S. in horticulture. She's also been very involved in animal rescue and serves on the board for a local humane association.

Eric and **Dana Trexler Smith** welcomed daughter, Madison Evelyn, on Aug. 11. They are enjoying parenthood and have been blessed with a very good baby. She is being spoiled by her grandparents, aunts, uncles and fellow Bucknellian Aunts **Colby Cox**, **Laura "Schmidty" Schmidt** and **Chantal Kullman**, and Uncle **Chris Wiegand**. In addition to Madison's birth, they moved into an old home in Bryn Mawr, Pa., which needs more than a little TLC. Dana can be reached at dana.trexler-smith@us.pwc.com.

Lori Blue writes, "My husband, **Eric Kupsky '95**, and I are pleased to announce the birth of our fourth child, a boy (finally), **Eric James**, born July 19. He joins big sisters **Paige**, 7, **Tara**, 5, and **April**, 3. We are having a blast with our big family, but all the laundry is a drag."

Brenden and Michele Mourikis Benjamin announce the birth of their son, **Ryan Nicholas**, on July 22. He joins big sister, **Amelia Grace**, who is 3 1/2 years old.

Gavin Throckmorton and his wife welcomed their second child, **Kathryn Taylor**, on June 3. Kathryn joins older brother **Charles Aidan (Charlie)**.

Dave Dearing and **Amy DeCristofer '97** were married May 28 on Grand Bahama Island. They write, "**Laura Peltonen '97** was maid of honor, and Dave's brother **John '91** was best man. A small group of family and friends were able to join us, including **Rich Wagner '95**, **Karen Horisny '97**, and **Ken Sicknick** (who spent 1 1/2 years at Bucknell before transferring; we still consider him a Bucknellian). We had a wonderful time.

The day after our wedding, we left for a honeymoon cruise around the Caribbean. We live and work in Lancaster, Pa. Dave is a mechanical engineer for a division of Burnham Holdings. I'm a pediatric speech therapist for the S. June Smith Center, an agency that provides early intervention services to infants, toddlers and preschoolers."

Finally, a correction. **Christian Dabb** is working on employment and civil litigation at CGA Law in York, Pa.

Thanks to all for writing in. Happy spring! — S.A.S.

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Happy spring! We are a little light on news this time around so if you have something to report, please send it to me. I like hearing from all of you.

Nikki and Brad Carlson welcomed daughter, **Alyssa Nicole**, on June 29. Brad writes, "Nikki and I met while in the Army stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C. We were married in September 2000 in Richmond, Va. Last summer we relocated from Richmond to Kutztown, Pa. I am a VP in the risk management department at Sovereign Bank. In my 'spare' time I am enrolled in the Penn State Smeal College of Business executive MBA program." Email: bcarlson@sovereignbank.com.

Fred and Debbie Christenson Forster welcomed their son, **Andrew Thomas**, on April 13, 2005. He joined big sister **Audrey**, 3. The family lives in Ridgefield, Conn., where Debbie works as an employment attorney for a pharmaceutical company. Email: dforster@rdg.boehringer-ingenheim.com.

Jessica Alexander is a voiceover artist in NYC where she resides with her dog, **Fozzy**. She attended the wedding of **Kristy Adams '94** and **Don Bateman '92**. She writes, "Many other Bucknellians attended as well, including the always handsome and almost charming **John Cassimatis** and the fabulous **Kate Strauch Sullivan** who is expecting baby No. 3." If anyone can help her find "Biscuit," aka **Greg Skibiski**, please contact her at jezzilove@yahoo.com.

Christopher Whelan was promoted to major in the United States Army. He is a chemistry instructor at the United States Military Academy, and also volunteers as a member of the National Ski Patrol. Email: cmw@ophelan.com.

Piper von Gal Hollis and her husband welcomed son, **Ty Edward**, on Dec. 2. Piper writes, "We are living on Cape Cod, where I work in major gift fundraising for the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW). We often see **Todd '96** and **Lisa Young Squire** who also live on the Cape." Email: piperhollis@yahoo.com.

Lori and Andy Kutner live in Raleigh, N.C., where they hosted a smashing New Year's Eve celebration this year, which concluded with attendance at the Bucknell vs. Duke basketball game. The team didn't win but **Andy and Lori**, **Dave and Colleen Taylor Lukens '94** and **Sinde and Eric Krapf** had a great time cheering them on. 'Ray Bucknell!

Chris and I moved to a new home in northern Virginia. Please make a note of

our new address in the event that you want to send me information via snail mail instead of email: 421 Autumn Chase Court, Purcellville, VA 20132.

I hope everyone has a wonderful spring. I'll look forward to hearing from you. — J.B.B.

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Happy spring! I hope you're all planning to attend our 10th Reunion. In the meantime, here's some news from your classmates to get you up to speed.

Stephan and Lara Schaefer Sloan had twins, **Bobby** and **Quentin**, on June 21. The Sloans are living in Rhode Island.

Matt and Kaitlyn Higgins Troy welcomed their first child, a little girl named **Finley Elizabeth**, on June 22. They live in NYC where Matt is a research analyst at Citigroup and Kaitlyn works part time for Unilever.

Randle White Emmrich, her husband, **Martin**, and their 1-year-old daughter, **Ella**, moved from northern Virginia to Bradenton, Fla., in 2005. Randle is a project manager/engineer for Coastal Gunitie Construction Company, and Martin is starting a new business with Randle's dad.

Paul '97 and **Ellen Straub Deebel** announce the birth of their daughter, **Laura Elizabeth**, on Aug. 5. Among her first visitors were **Jason Christ '95**, **Mischa '93** and **Jen Ahrens Blair '97**, and **Sarah and Frank DeWoskin '95**.

On Aug. 31, **Jim and Beth Henry Dougherty** welcomed Katie to their family. She joins **Owen** and **Claire**. The Doughertys are all doing well and can be reached at jimbethowen@comcast.net.

On Sept. 7, **Shannon Wright Ottinger** and her husband, **Nathan**, welcomed **Noah Jackson**. They also remember with love their little girl, **Annabel Wright**, who was born and departed for heaven on Sept. 18, 2004.

Leah and Matt Roberts welcomed their first child, **Anna Virginia**, on Oct. 4.

Kristen Reynolds married **Brian Trudeau** on Oct. 22 in Kristen's hometown of Ridgefield, Conn. The bridal party included **Hannah Ross Geriak**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Randee Schneider Yuhasz**, **Jennifer Cook Lewis**, **Sarah Fowler Bird**, **Kim Gallina** and **Danielle Wescott McKee**. They honeymooned in Belize and returned to their home in Westfield, Mass. Kristen works in tax compliance for the public accounting firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP. She can be reached at KReynoldsCT@aol.com.

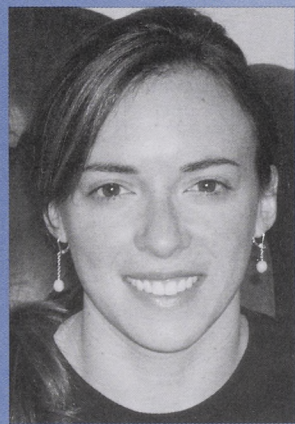
Jill Wenzel Jacoby and her husband, **Neal**, had a daughter, **Adeline Lily**, on Aug. 25. Jill is working as an elementary principal in the Pittsburgh area and has taken a sabbatical to complete her doctorate at the University of Pittsburgh.

Wendy Bartnick Fornwalt writes, "My husband, **Alan**, and I welcomed our first son, **Benjamin Alan**, on June 18. We live in Fogelsville, Pa., where I work part time as a senior process engineer at Air Products & Chemicals, Inc. and Alan works as a civil engineer at a local consulting company."

Ted and Suzanne Heydt Temple

Making Microfinance Accessible

Kiva means unity and agreement in Swahili. Kiva is also the name of Matthew and **Jessica Jackley Flannery's '00** unique online lending enterprise. "Kiva enables people to make



loans of as little as \$25 directly to small businesses in the developing world and then maintain one-to-one contact online with the entrepreneurs who receive the loans. At the end of the loan term, lenders are reimbursed," says Flannery. Working in partnership with existing microfinance organizations that provide financial services to the very poor, Kiva puts lenders in touch with aspiring small business entrepreneurs in Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda, and the company plans to expand globally. "We are the only providers of P2P [peer-to-peer] microfinance lending," she says. "We raise donations for

administrative costs offline, so every dollar loaned goes directly to end recipients."

Flannery has a long history of involvement with international development. During high school, she volunteered in Haiti, and her perspective on the global economy forever changed. Later, she interned with World Vision, a Christian relief and development organization, where she internalized a model for connecting donors and recipients one-on-one. "I had a stack of profiles on my desk each morning, from children all over the world awaiting sponsors," she says. "My heart broke every day." During her junior year at Bucknell, studying abroad with Semester at Sea, she says she saw "the many dimensions of global poverty."

After graduating from Bucknell, Flannery moved to California, where Matthew was pursuing graduate studies at Stanford University. While attending a talk at Stanford two years later, she met Mohammed Yunus, a founding father of microfinance and creator of the Grameen Bank, a nonprofit organization that helps the poor break through poverty by starting their own businesses. Then and there, she became convinced of the power of providing loans to the world's hard-working poor. Soon thereafter, she began her work with Village Enterprise Fund, another international development organization, on the ground in East Africa.

Matt joined her in Kenya, and together they realized they wanted to find a way to connect people with microfinance recipients on a personal basis. A year of research followed. After a successful beta run in March 2005, Kiva was formally launched in October. Since then, their website, www.kiva.org, has received thousands of hits from lenders wishing to make the personal connection that, so far, only the Flannerys' vision has been able to provide.

Flannery is an MBA candidate at the Stanford Graduate School of Business, where she continues to explore how business principles can address global poverty. — Pat Parker

welcomed Lucy Jane on Feb. 17, 2005. They reside in Franklin, Mass. You can contact them at suztemple@yahoo.com or tedtemple2002@yahoo.com.

Kara Zaccaria Root and her husband, Butch, announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Catherine, on April 21, 2005. She joins their 3-year-old daughter, Taylor.

Lauren Linfante got engaged to Brian DeAlexandris in April 2005. They are planning a June 3 wedding at Brays Island Plantation in South Carolina. She is still in Jacksonville, Fla., working as a senior financial analyst at Fidelity National Financial. Lauren wrote that **Kristin Murphy** married Waldemar Jaskolka in Germany on Sept 17. **Michelle Fallone** and Todd Russell were wed in San Diego, Calif., on March 11.

Holly Smith lived and worked in Philadelphia for three years before moving to London in 1999 to attend the London School of Economics where she received her master's degree. Just before moving, she met the man who would become her husband, Grant Lynde. Holly returned to the United States in 2000 and lived and worked around D.C. for two years. They married in Sonoma County, Calif., on Jan. 1, 2002. Six months later they moved out to Fort Lewis, just south of Tacoma, Wash., courtesy of the U.S. Army. Grant was deployed to Kuwait with the 47th Combat Support Hospital (he's an anesthesiologist) from March to September 2002. He completed his commitment to the Army and has begun working at a hospital in Tacoma. Being a born-and-bred Easterner, Holly

never thought she would enjoy living out on the West Coast as much as she does. She has a great job working for the state and is heavily involved in volunteer activities with the Junior League of Tacoma and the Museum of Glass; their house overlooks Puget Sound, and they have a wonderful four-legged, furry child named Emma. Yes, it does rain a lot, but the weather is amazing when it doesn't rain.

Kristen Keuleman attended **Allison Bonanno's** wedding on June 18. Allison married Daniel Song in a beautiful outdoor ceremony in Whitehouse, N.J. Bucknellians in attendance included **Liz Bintz Conboy**, **Katie Curran Darcy**, **Heather Clark Harms**, **Kristin Mantione Kohler**, **Jodie Bekman Buchman**, **Cara Gentile** and **Erica Cantwell**. Several girls are living and working in NYC including Liz, Allison, Erica and Katie, who is expecting her second child in early October (Duke is 1 1/2). Cara just got her MBA and lives in Philadelphia. Kristin is teaching and living on Long Island, and Heather lives in Rhode Island and is expecting her first child in mid-July. Jodie and her husband, Jeb, had their first child, Tyler William, on Jan. 20, 2005. They are all doing well and living in the Baltimore suburbs. **Meg Bastable**, who is living in Colorado, and **Adrienne Bonne**, who lives in San Francisco, could not attend. Kristen and her husband, Chris, had their first child, Henry Christopher, on March 2, 2005. They live in Silver Spring, Md., and she is a media buyer for a Democratic political consulting firm in D.C.

David Steigerwald, **Kevin Wenk**, and head basketball coach **Pat Flannery '80** attended the annual Winged Foot Dinner at the New York Athletic Club in midtown Manhattan on May 19, 2005. David and Kevin played for Coach Flannery. Also in attendance was former Bucknell women's basketball standout **Lori Houck '00**.

I'm working at a four-person company I helped launch in the fall of 2005. I've also been fundraising and training to participate with my mom in our second Breast Cancer 3-Day, which will take place in Atlanta, Ga., in October. The walk is 60 miles, and it benefits the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund. My other big project has been planning a trip to Hawaii in May. My husband, John, and I purchased the trip last fall at the Fourth Annual **Mark McGinly '97** Scholarship Fundraiser auction, and we can't wait. For more information about the scholarship and the annual golf tournament/fundraiser, please visit www.mcginlyscholarship.org. Best to all! — S.M.G.

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Brad and Anna Kricka McLaughlin welcomed their second boy, Andrew Lawrence, on Oct. 10. They are living in Charlotte, N.C., where he is a senior vice president of marketing in the Enterprise Media Group of Bank of America. They can be reached at amcloughlin3@carolina.rr.com.

Alan and Leanne Wissinger Prothe welcomed their first child: "Daniel William was born in Guatemala City on April 8, 2005, and we brought him home on Oct. 8. We are very grateful to God for our son who came to us through adoption. We love him and love being parents." Leanne can be contacted at prothes@worldnet.att.net.

Kim Shortway married Greg Meyer

in October in NYC. Members of the wedding party included **Bethany Burr**, **Kristin Belaski** and Kim's brother, **Matt Shortway '95**. Also attending were Jeff and **Jenn Rice Wyshner**, Mark and **Molly Ellis Bockmann** and Matt and **Laurie Scott Schetlick '88**. The couple lives in NYC and Kim can be reached at ks7604@yahoo.com.

Kierstie Drumm married Todd Whitehead in Bethesda, Md., on Oct. 1. **Rachel Elbert Ligatti '99** served as matron of honor. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Eric** and **Gwynne Luminatti Wittmann '96**, **Nicolle Bougas** and **Andrew Huppert**, **Kimberly Herr Saymolyn** and **John '70** and **Susan Hood Drumm '71** (Kierstie's parents). The couple honeymooned in St. Lucia and reside in Laurel, Md. She is working as a teaching artist and doing a lot of singing. She performed the role of Zerlina in Mozart's *Don Giovanni* with the Forgotten Opera Company. She can be reached at drumstikbu@gmail.com.

Jennifer Clark graduated from law school in May 2005, passed the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bar examinations and is an associate at Reed Smith LLP in Philadelphia.

After five years in NYC trading international equities, **Todd Krummel** accepted a position in Moscow trading Russian stocks for United Financial Group. He moved to Russia but will be in the United States, United Kingdom, etc. regularly. If any alumni are in Moscow or plan to visit, it would be great to get in touch. His email is takrummel@aol.com. — H.M.L.

Whitney McClelland and **Brian Hill** were married on Oct. 8 in Maryland.

Raj Thangavelu writes, "Greetings from Washington, D.C. I wanted to pass on a public thank you to those Bucknellians who made it out to celebrate my 30th birthday in style in mid-December. They included **Jennifer Hagerman Ehlers**, **Joel Mack** and **Matt Rosenberg**; from the Class of 1999, **Neel Trivedi** and **Evan Smith**; from the Class of 2001, **Matt Albert**, **Kim Sedgwick**, **Jason Dolan**, Cheryl and **Bob Hepp** and **Anjali Vora**; and from the Class of 2003, **Chris Burek**."

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Kori Anderson and her husband, Todd Tobey, welcomed their first child, Annika Kathryn, on May 5, 2005. They are living in Lewisville, Texas, where Kori works for Air Products and Chemicals. Her email address is andersk@apci.com.

Christina Johnson has relocated to New Canaan, Conn., for a position with GE Energy Financial Services in Stamford. She is engaged to Jeff Marcello, and they are planning a September wedding in Connecticut. Email: christinaj1234@yahoo.com.

Brian and Jennifer Burleigh Soucy welcomed their first child, Bridget Kimburleigh, on April 3, 2005.

Jared Peretin married Allison Poinsett on Nov. 19 in Newport News, Va. **Brian Lounsberry** was in the wedding party and **A.J. Tippie** and **Tom Lewis** were also in attendance. Allison and Jared live in Annapolis, Md. She is teaching seventh grade in Anne Arundel County Schools.

Todd and **Beth Haggerty Bielen** welcomed their first baby, daughter, Carson Elizabeth, born Aug. 31. She is happy and healthy, and they love every minute of her.

Matt and Heather Thomas Gladhill announce the birth of their first child, Alexander Thomas, on March 31, 2005. They live in Louisville, Ky., where Matt is working for General Electric. Heather is enjoying her time at home with Alex. They can be reached at m.h.gladhill@insightbb.com.

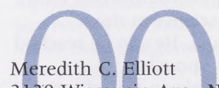
On Nov. 12, **Paul Avery** married Holly Wagner in Buffalo, N.Y. They are living in Liverpool, N.Y., where Paul is an attorney with Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC in Syracuse.



Wesley Koontz

Bucknellians involved in the wedding were groomsmen **Mike Udell** and **Rick Carlson**, with **Brian Horner** as a reader. He also passed the New York State bar exam, and will be admitted to practice in March. — J.Q.M.

Wesley Koontz was hired by Weber Wood Medinger, Corp. as salesman.



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Calder Cruikshank writes: "I got married in January 2005 to Betsy Parkyn, whom I met during my junior semester abroad in Madrid. The wedding was held in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico. It was absolutely beautiful and included mariachis and a carriage ride through the town. Classmates in attendance included **Mustafa Ostrander** (best man), **Mike Smith** (groomsman), **Brian Green** and **Jennifer Klein**. Betsy and I honeymooned on the beach in Zihuatanejo, Mexico.

"In May I graduated from Boston University with an MBA and an MS in information systems, and I accepted an offer to work as an associate product manager for Lindt Chocolates. I would love to hear from friends; you can reach me at cwcruikshank@hotmail.com."

Laura Tobey married **Louis Mattioli III** on Nov. 5. Bucknellians in attendance included **Beth Kocay '02**, **Kevin Zuena '03**, **Jason Dolan '01** and **Kristen Koenigsbauer**. The Mattiolis live in Whitehall, Pa., and can be reached by email at lmmattioli@juno.com.

Kim Nastasi married Lt. Ariel Klein, USN on Sept. 4 in Philadelphia. **Meghan Kavalus** was a bridesmaid and **Jake** and **Katie Finarelli Frechette** attended. Kim is a defense consultant for Booz Allen Hamilton. They live in Arlington, Va., but will be sent to Norfolk for Ari's next tour.

Katie McElligott married Joel Vanovitch on Sept. 2 in New Providence, N.J. The couple honeymooned on the French Polynesian islands of Tahiti, Moorea and Bora Bora. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Cari Davis**, **Amanda Zylber Higgins** and **Amy Borneman Richhart**. Katie is a CDS trading assistant at Morgan Stanley. They reside in Hoboken, N.J.

Joann Bohn married Christopher Napolitano in October 2004. Bucknellians at the wedding were **Jason** and **Christina Huth Tu**, **Amy Brillinger Pole**, **Ann Calcagni** and **Kelly Wanger**. Joann has lived in New Jersey and worked at Merck & Co. since graduation.

Jen Smardon married Alex Douville on July 9 on Lake Winnepesaukee in Meredith, N.H. **Carolyn Yankowski Klimtzak** was her matron of honor and **Kate Wood** was a bridesmaid. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Katelyn Delaney**, **Andrea Tebay**, **Colleen Connyngnam**, **Summer Clark Hughes**, **Marnie Yorke**, **Nikki Katz**, **Shelly Slotter** and **Megan Strouss '02**. They live in Rockville, Md., and Jen is a teacher at an elementary school in Montgomery County. — M.C.E.

Nichols Hall and **Melissa Gallagher '03** were married Aug. 20 on the water just north of Boston, Mass. Bucknellians in the wedding party included matron of honor **Kelly Gallagher Petru**, bridesmaid **Melissa Milanak '03** and groomsman **Jarrett Bridge**. Other Bucknellians made it a day to remember, including **Nat**

Arlander, Ted '69 and **Cheri Darrone Bridge '71**, **Gus Cadwallader '42**, **Sarah Diegnan**, **Amy Dietterich**, **Lindsay Guilianno '03**, **Matt** and **Annie Flegal Hinton**, **Liz Hulette '03**, **Jen Jenchura '03**, **Arun Mulchandani '03** and **Chris** and **Andrea Fisher Wooster**. The couple honeymooned for two weeks in Hawaii before returning home to Boston. They can be reached at nicholshall@yahoo.com and mgallagh3@yahoo.com.

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Brooke Bader graduated on June 12 from Ohio State University with a doctor of optometry degree. She is practicing in a suburb of Cleveland. During her externship in Ft. Lauderdale and Miami, she had the opportunity to get together with former volleyball teammates **Nicole LaMothe**, **Mary Agnes** and **Amy Turncek**. Brooke can be reached at bbader12@hotmail.com.

Trevor Rutledge-Leverenz writes, "I am still working at Sirius Satellite Radio. I was full timed in October of 2004, so no more working eight jobs for me! I produce a daily all-NBA show with Kenny Smith and Ian Eagle, a weekly college football show with Jack Arute and Terry Bowden, and I co-produce the morning show on our all-NFL channel, hosted by Bob Papa and Dan Reeves. And yes, I do clean up after myself, so don't worry about picking up the names I dropped.

"I am the sideline reporter and fill-in color analyst for the radio broadcasts of Bucknell football. You can hear the games wherever you are via <http://bucknellbison.collegesports.com>. I also will be doing radio play-by-play for the Bison women's basketball team this year.

"I still live in Jersey, commuting into Manhattan, and I live with my fiancée Shannon Kenny, who is a lawyer with a law firm in New Brunswick. We are going to be married next September.

"If anyone wants to get in touch with me, shoot me an email: walkingthecat@yahoo.com. And if you decide to go with satellite radio, make sure you go with Sirius."

Bryan Foster married **Sarah Pretz '02** on May 28, 2005, in Wayne, Pa. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Tim** and **Lee Evans Pretz '76** (bride's parents), **Alexis Madison '02**, **Michael Donick** and **Brent Morral**. Other Bucknellians included **Brandi Herman '02**, **Ross Hadfield**, **Wilson Kwong**, **Ethan Lew**, **Julie Donick**, **Joe McGillian '05** and **Kimberly Pretz '07**. They live in Brighton, Mass. Bryan graduated from Boston University Medical School in May '05 and started his residency in radiology at Boston Medical Center. Sarah graduated with an M.S. in biomedical engineering from Boston University in December '04 and works at Genzyme Corporation.

Zachary Cohen appeared on *Fear Factor* on Dec. 6 and won the show. He and his partner, Angela "Mangela" Nolfi, completed stunts such as grabbing flags on a cargo net attached to a military helicopter flying at 200 mph, plus traveling through a ventilator shaft containing rats, tarantulas, fire and raw sewage. In the final stunt, they won \$275,000 as they heisted gold bars and gold coins from a submerged armored truck.

Jennifer Sikora married Paul McNeil on July 10 in Smithtown, N.Y. **Monica Montgomery** was a bridesmaid. Other Bucknellians who celebrated were **Tara Zack**, **Jenny Johnson**, **Brooke Geibel '00** and **Geoff Geibel '98**. They are teachers in the Smithtown Central School District and live in Stony Brook, N.Y. Jennifer can be reached at jmcneil05@gmail.com.

Kate Childers was accepted into

Emory University's accelerated MBA program; she will begin her studies this summer. Kate works as a senior financial analyst for CNN International in Atlanta, Ga.

Michelle Coughlan graduated from New York Law School in May 2005 and passed the New York Bar Examination. She works as internal counsel for NYC & Co and lives in Manhattan. — H.D.P.



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Joshua Gish married Laurie Tumsuden on July 31 at Flowerfield in St. James, N.Y. Bucknellians in the wedding party included the bride's brother, **Scott Tumsuden '00**, and groomsmen **Michael Brett**, **Michael Donick** and **Keith Scarfo '00**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Stephen Levine '99**, **Marc Dickinson**, **Eric Loi**, **Michelle Escoffier** and **Ryan McKenna**. Joshua and Laurie met in Buffalo, where they are finishing their last semester of dental school, and will be attending general practice residency programs on Long Island in July. They can be reached at jgish@buffalo.edu.

Andrew Clugston and **Kara Hartman** were married on Sept. 9 in Geneva, Switzerland. Since graduation, Kara has been working with Lockheed Martin Corporation and Andrew completed his J.D. at the University of Melbourne, Australia. They are residing in London, where she is a business development analyst for Lockheed Martin STASYS Ltd, and he is an associate with White & Case LLP. They can be contacted at 84 Kingfisher House, Juniper Drive, Battersea Reach, London SW18 1TY, +44 20 3177 4030.

Erika Loker and **Jason Vass** were married on the beach in Hilton Head, S.C., on July 29 after a week-long celebration with family and friends. They honeymooned in Puerto Rico. Bucknellians in attendance were **Zach Davis**, **Scott Howard '03**, **Keenan Lorenz**, **Laura Nelson '01**, **Randy Raymond '90**, **Lindsey Rogers '04**, **Syreeta Sargent** and **Ben Wellington**. Erika is the co-founder of the Apple Blossom School and Family Center in Wilton, Conn., and Jay works for Towers Perrin in Valhalla, N.Y. They reside in Ridgefield, Conn., with their dog, Patton.

Megan Atanasio and **Chris Reynolds** were married in Summit, N.J., on Sept. 9. Several Bucknellians were in the wedding party, including **Meghan McMahon**, **Kate Durtan**, **Robin Arnesen Dahlgren**, **Dave Kennedy**, **Scott Allen**, **Bill Knowles**, **Tyler Ward**, **Rob Paun** and **Graham Dewar**. Megan and Chris also want to thank all of their Bucknell friends who traveled from far and wide to participate in the festivities. The couple resides in Norwalk, Conn., and can be reached at megreynolds@hotmail.com.

Sarah Pretz married **Bryan Foster '01** on May 28, 2005, in Wayne, Pa. Bucknellians in the wedding party include the bride's parents, **Tim** and **Lee Evans Pretz '76**, **Alexis Madison**, **Michael Donick '01** and **Brent Morral '01**. Other Bucknellians in attendance include **Brandi Herman**, **Ross Hadfield '01**, **Wilson Kwong '01**, **Ethan Lew '01**, **Julie Donick '01**, **Joe McGillian '05** and **Kimberly Pretz '07**. They live in Brighton, Mass. Bryan graduated from Boston University Medical School in May '05 and has started his residency in radiology at Boston Medical Center. Sarah graduated with an M.S. in biomedical engineering from Boston University in December '04 and works at Genzyme Corporation. She can be reached at foster.sp@gmail.com.

Christa Wilson and **Manuel Zaldivar** were married on Oct. 22 in Bristol, Conn. Bucknellians in attendance were **Rebecca Dykema**, **Jacqueline Kordiak**

Goodman, **Stephanie Metz**, **Kathleen Zeevalk** and **Michele Perino '01**. Christa teaches first grade at Family Life Academy Charter School in Bronx, N.Y. They live in Yonkers, N.Y. Email Christa at cjw02@hotmail.com.

Meredith Shreiner and **William Roark '03** were married on Dec. 30 in Hershey, Pa. Bucknellians in the wedding party included **Shannon Higgins**, **Tracy Nestora**, **Keri Heuberger**, **Michael Roberg '03** and **Justin Morant '03**. There was a great crowd from Bucknell. They reside in Bryn Mawr, Pa., where she works as a commercial lender and he is in his last year at Villanova Law School. After graduation, he will practice corporate litigation at a firm in Landsdale, Pa.

Keri Heuberger wrote: "Congratulations to **Karen Haight** on her marriage to William Dillon on Sept. 18. The couple resides in Clark, N.J., where Karen is a senior environmental engineer. Bridesmaids included **Shannon Higgins**, **Jackie Cordaro** and me. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Jen Brown**, **Meredith Shreiner**, **Tracy Nestora**, **Kristin Inglis**, **Melissa Keaster** and **William Roark '03**."

On Sept. 10, **Ryan Miedel** married **John Martin '98** at Rooke Chapel. The reception took place at a local winery. For their honeymoon, they spent two weeks in Maui and the Big Island of Hawaii. Bucknell graduates in the wedding party included **Julie Dierker** (maid of honor), **Alisa Weimer**, **Kate Love**, **Brandi Herman**, **David Hull '98**, **Peter Sangree '98**, **Tom Parsons '95** and **Roddy Copeland '98**. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Matt Gorman**, **Bill Derence**, **Sarah Gettig**, **Tony Hill**, **Ryan Weber**, **Elizabeth Kuehl**, **Herman Weimer**, **Tonya McSwain**, **Kimberly Zimbal**, **Rodney** and **Lori Fallgren Repko**, **Chris Dinkelmeyer**, **Shannon Clark**, **Jennifer Hoek '03**, **Rachel Sangree '98**, **Alex Hiscott '98**, **C.J. White '98**, **Jennifer Canu '98**, **Thomas Marotta '98**, **Bo Botteicher '98**, **Christopher Russo '98** and **Amy Fougere '98**. They bought a home in Media, Pa. John works in finance for Campbell Soup Company in New Jersey and Ryan works in benefits administration for ARAMARK in Philadelphia. She can be reached at ryanmiedel@hotmail.com. — P.V.E.

Becki Marshall was the first woman to finish the Cincinnati Thanksgiving Day 10K. She was one of the top 30 female finishers in the 2005 Boston Marathon.

Usanee Prasapairin writes, "After Bucknell I taught at Pearl R. Miller Middle School in Kinnelon, N.J., for two years and am seeking a master's in counseling at Montclair State University. In the summer of 2004, I moved to Kailua, Hawaii (on the island of Oahu) to teach elementary school. I married Tyler Forrest on Aug. 4. Bucknell alumni at the wedding include **Jessica Viel**, **Sandra Schmidt**, **Nikki Spadafino**, **Arun Mulchandani** and **Kelly Korecky**. We plan to move back to the East Coast in the summer."

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alumni when I least expect it. I have been reflecting about my time at Bucknell lately and wondering if you ever do the same. What aspect of your Bucknell education are you most thankful for? Send me your thoughts.

Becky Dolan writes: "I am still living in the D.C. area and working at Video Networks, Inc. with two other Bucknellians: **Michael Brooks-Williams '04** and **Christopher Roome '97**. I get to hang out with a large group of Bucknellians who live in the metro area and have been fortunate this past year to make some trips to visit other alumni along the East Coast. One of the most memorable weekends was spent celebrating **Lauren Box's** 25th birthday in Philly with **Jamie Fulop** and **Brandi Porter Sanders**. It was the first time the four roommates have been together since graduation."

Amy Peloquin writes: "I've been living in NYC since graduation, and I live with **Melina Glynn** in SoHo, in one of the tiniest apartments available. We love the location and tons of boutiques and restaurants everywhere. Throughout my years here, I've worked in the online advertising/search engine realm, and I also ran the 2004 NYC Marathon. I accepted a new job offer at Google and started shortly after the New Year. You can reach me at amy.peloquin@gmail.com."

Christine Charles says, "I am living in Hoboken, N.J., and work at Sloan Kettering Cancer Hospital in NYC. I just got back from my family trip to Aruba. Not much has changed in my life — no good gossip. Sorry, guys. I am still not engaged, but congrats to **Linda Voll** and **Scott Roe** who will be married this summer. I watched the Bucknell vs. Duke game with **Alyson Steckbeck**, **Michelle Beardslee**, **Morgan Paige** and **Sara Figoski**. If you would like to write to me, my email is still whalechuck@aol.com."

Kaitlin Brokaw is living in Alexandria, Va., with **Amanda Robie** and **Mandy Young '02**, and working in Georgetown for a commercial real estate company. She reports, "There are too many Bucknellians to name that I see so often in this city. This past season has been trying with the death of my father, **J. Staats Brokaw '70**, who died on Sept. 2 after a 2 1/2-year battle with colon cancer. I travel home often to see my mother, **Louise Kunkel Brokaw '72**, and brother, **Colin '01**, as we cope with our loss. I want to thank all of my friends from Bucknell for supporting me by sending cards, emails, and even traveling far distances to attend my father's memorial service."

In January, **Maureen Oscadal** joined the Peace Corps in Zambia. She will be stationed in a rural village, where she will work with the Community Action Health Program for 27 months.

Alison LaFleur writes: "I will be finishing my master's degree in school psychology from the University of Maryland this spring. I'll also be getting married (finally!) to my high school sweetheart in June. I attended the wedding of **Patty Harvey** and **Alex Cabot** in Philadelphia. Other Bucknellians in attendance were **Maggie Cook**, **Melissa Loftus**, **Nikhil Menon**, **Scott Kloss** and **Pawin Sriusvagool**."

Helen Shen reports: "I accepted a

position as PR coordinator for the French design house of Emanuel Ungaro. My roommate, **Beth Weller**, and I welcomed **Melissa Mardelli** into our three-bedroom apartment last September. Melissa is working as a media buyer and is excited to begin her training for the 2006 marathon. My boyfriend, **Kent Tarrach**, is beginning his second year at Brookfield Properties working as a commercial real estate financial analyst."

Morgan Lloyd writes: "I married Douglas Hollenbeck on Sept. 10, in Shelter Harbor, Westerly, R.I. Our ceremony took place outdoors, overlooking the water, and our reception was held at the Shelter Harbor Golf Club. We spent our honeymoon sailing in the British Virgin Islands. Bucknellians in attendance included **Caralyn Desautels**, **Sarah Bunting**, **Lauren Abrahimzadeh**, **Kerry Klein**, **Nick Perini**, **Marty Pfingst** and **Scott Howard**." A photo of all 18 Bucknellians at their wedding, and a photo of the bride and groom, is available in the online version of *Bucknell World*. ☞

Craig Kimball, **Frank DiMaria '05**, **Brandon Bailey** and **Paige Ierardi '05** traveled from Charlotte to Durham to watch the Bucknell-Duke basketball game. Craig writes, "I ran into fellow ILTM '01 members **Nikhil Menon**, **Jen Jenchura** and **Aziz Megji**. I also heard from **Bo Sharpe**, **Nate Streets**, **Tim Hughes**, **Piper Murray** and **Gerald Banks**. Overall, it was great to see Bucknell play Duke and, despite the score, all the Bucknellians in attendance stayed until the end. "Ray, Bucknell!" — P.N.J."

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Candacy McCallman is taking classes at Brooklyn College in New York to complete her master's in English.

Jack Namvou resides in Paris, working for SEI Investments.

Deanna Schnepf writes, "After graduating, I spent a year living at home in Long Island, N.Y., teaching general science and honors biology to eighth graders at Smithtown Middle School. After finishing the school year, I relocated to Bethesda, Md., outside of Washington, D.C., to live with **Keith Jennings '03** and teach honors biology at Damascus High School. I am really enjoying living in the D.C. area, and I plan to begin courses for my master's degree this summer at the University of Maryland. I see many of my Delta Gamma sisters, including **Kristen Karas**, **Janet Serafin**, **Shannon Bensen**, **Erin Zimmerer**, **Jen Geiling** and **Jamie Brown**."

Jake Palley writes, "I am still here in Paraguay doing the Peace Corps. Summer is coming up, and it is hot hot hot. I only have a year left, and so hopefully I can beat the heat and make it outta here in one piece. Things are good though — my host family's cows are still kicking. I'm starting to understand Guarani, and I know my way around the country. I even got to roast a turkey for Thanksgiving. What could be better than that?"

Mandy Revetta writes, "I am the KidScience Education Specialist at the Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium. What all that means is that I help teach and develop the curriculum for a program called 'KidScience' for middle school students who are interested in animals, research, and animal behavior. We actually

have the kids conducting actual research projects and learning things I never even learned until college. It really is an amazing program, and since there are only two of us running the whole show, we have a lot of fun and have complete control of what the kids do and learn. Also, since we are based out of the research department here at the zoo and not at all out of the education department, we have complete access to actual research being conducted here and around the world, and the kids get to make actual contributions to that research, like helping to collect and analyze data that will probably be published someday. I've also been busy planning the wedding that is suddenly coming up far too quickly for what I still need to do, but that's not a bad thing." — J.P.

Cari Haimes '05 wrote about the wedding of **Hollie Barattolo** and **Matt Griffin '02**: "I met **Sara Bradley**, **Ashi Day**, **Anne Weldon**, **Lacy Gonzales**, **Kristen Habacht '05** and **Rachel Slotcavage** in Philadelphia for Hollie's bachelorette party. She and Matt tied the knot on Dec. 3 in New Jersey. Ashi was a bridesmaid and many other Bucknellians attended, including **Rachel**, **Lacy**, **Anne**, **Kristen** and **Sara** (in absentia), **Mike Mellas '05**, **Don Frehulfer '05** and **Lee Cromwell**."

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Adam Ahuja is in Germany pursuing a master's degree in public policy and management in administrative reform and organizational change at the University of Konstanz. "I find it to be a quality education," he writes. "I found out about the program through Bucknell. The lake borders Switzerland and Austria, so I've been doing a lot of traveling and skiing. Konstanz is a small town with a lot of history, a lot of people to meet, and a lot of German to speak. So far, it's been an amazing experience."

Auston Beck lives in NYC and works at Bloomberg Financial. He writes, "**Joseph Pullano** had a New Year's Eve bash, where many Bucknellians attended from many class years. It dominated and was great to see familiar faces."

Brady Blackett works for PricewaterhouseCoopers. He lives in Chicago with **Gabe Luft**, who works for Goldman Sachs. "Unfortunately," Brady writes, "neither of us were able to attend the Bucknell vs. DePaul basketball game in December — DePaul is about five minutes from where we live."

Griffin Brungraber lives in Pacific Beach, near San Diego. His email is gbrungra@gmail.com.

Jon Cacciatore lives in NYC and attends graduate school at Columbia University for chemical engineering.

Marnina Cherkin and **Samuel Ostroff** live in San Francisco. Both work at nonprofits. Every Tuesday night they play bar trivia with **Katie Yost** and **Neal O'Mara**. On a lucky night, **John Levy** also joins them.

Elena Gregorio works at Columbia University's law library.

Wil Fang is in Polo Ralph Lauren's executive training program in Manhattan and lives in Hoboken, N.J. "There are tons of Bucknellians who live in Hoboken and Manhattan," he writes, "so I run into people all the time." He sees **Pierre Hernando** regularly and **Carolyn Pacala** lives in his apartment building. He, **Peter Cramer**, **Ryan Goodman**, **Devin Cooch** and **Michael Kavalus** went to Houston over Thanksgiving for the wedding of **Dave Keller '03** and **Katherine Thompson**. He is still dating **Michelle Miller**, who lives outside Philadelphia. "I'm looking forward

to going back to Bucknell to catch the Colgate home basketball game and I've been following the team through the news," he writes.

Merryl Geisse lives with **Leslie Niswander** in San Francisco and works for Accenture.

Kyle Goodwin married Jessica Lewis on Sept. 24. He works for DMR Architects and lives in Mahwah, N.J.

Cari Haimes is in Lancaster, Pa., working in the theater department at a local high school. She does some work for the theater department at Franklin & Marshall College on the side. She is still seeing **Mike Mellas**, who is a residential director and assistant track coach at SUNY Cobleskill.

Denis Kennedy is enrolled in a Ph.D. program for political science at the University of Minnesota. He can be reached at dkennedy@polisci.umn.edu.

Lauren Kmec works in the editorial department of *Science* magazine in Washington, D.C., and lives in Arlington, Va. She writes, "I started my job in September, and I'm really enjoying it so far. D.C. is an amazing city!"

Matt Kovach's new email is malotzai_0@yahoo.com.

Liz Marut writes, "I am living on the sunny central California coast working as a park ranger. I spend my days hiking trails, patrolling parks and teaching environmental education lessons at camps and after-school programs. Life on the West Coast couldn't be better."

Diana Scheerbaum spent the summer in Philadelphia interning at GlaxoSmithKline. In the fall, she and **Christine Hebling** enrolled in UNC-Chapel Hill's Ph.D. program for analytical chemistry. Diana lives with **Kristen Molzon** in Durham, N.C., and is still dating **Richard Beblo '03**. — M.D.

Deaths

32 Paul McFarland, Phoenix, Ariz., on Oct. 28. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta, Chorale, *L'Agenda* and the tennis team. He served in the Army Medical Corps during WWII and earned a doctorate from Jefferson Medical College. He practiced ophthalmology in the Phoenix area for more than 40 years. He is survived by his wife, Isabel; a son; three grandchildren and a sister.

38 David Hughes, Bruce Mines, Ontario, on July 17. He was involved in Chorale, student government and Kappa Sigma and earned a doctorate from Hahnemann University. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn.

39 Roger Kayhart, South Harwich, Mass., on Nov. 13. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. During WWII, he served in the Coast Guard. He was one of the founders of Boonton Electronics, then worked for Curtis Wright Electronics. He is survived by his wife, Elsie; three children; five grandchildren; a great-grandson and a brother.

41 Louise Brosius Hurd, Naperville, Ill., on Nov. 5. She was a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa and Pi Beta Phi sorority. She attended the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Work and worked for the Children's Aid Society of Allegheny County. She is survived by her husband, Vincent; three daughters, including **Elizabeth Roche '69**; seven grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

John Hustler, Naples, Fla., on Dec. 5. He was a member of Alpha Chi Sigma honor society and Sigma Chi. He earned a master's from Rutgers University and served in the Navy during WWII as an electronics technician. He had a 40-year career with DuPont Photo Products. His first wife, **Jean '43**, preceded him in death; wife, Peggy; two daughters and two grandchildren survive.

42 Margaret Besore Dasch, Whiting, N.J., on Oct. 16. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and, as an accomplished pianist, participated in several musical organizations at Bucknell and afterward. She was predeceased by her husband, Raymond; four children, five grandchildren and a sister survive.

43 Ernest Querino, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on Oct. 31. He was a member of Sigma Chi and lettered in football. He served as a Navy pilot in WWII and later worked for Xerox Corporation. He is survived by his wife, **Sally '45**, two sons and two grandchildren.

Esther Buss Dittmar M'44, Trout Run, Pa., on Oct. 21. She was a member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Beta Kappa. She retired in 1980 after 26 years of teaching in the Montgomery and Williamsport school districts. Her husband, W. Robert, preceded her in death; three children and six grandchildren survive.

Robert French, Elmira, N.Y., on Nov. 20. He served in the European and South Pacific theaters with the Navy in WWII. After that, he spent 17 years with IBM as a journeyman electrician. He is survived by his wife, Esther; two sons; two grandsons and a great-grandson.

44 Mary Parmelee Carter, Guilford, Conn., on Sept. 26. She was a member of Alpha Chi Omega. She earned a master's from the University of Iowa. She is survived by her husband, David; and three children, including daughter, **Deborah Hedden '73** and her husband, **James '73**. **David Bostian**, Hawthorne Hills, Mich., on Aug. 20. He was a member of band and Chapel Choir. He earned his doctorate at Jefferson Medical College. His wife, Jeanne, survives.

Eugenia Boyer Benson, Waterbury, Conn., on Nov. 16. She was a Phi Beta Kappa and completed her degree at Charter Oak College. She was head of the art and music department of Silas Bronson Library from 1961 until her retirement. Her husband, William, predeceased her; three children; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and four brothers survive.

45 Jeanne O'Sullivan, Chicago, Ill., on Sept. 24. She earned a master's from New York University and was a longtime employee of the Brunswick Corp. She is survived by several cousins.

46 Carl Eisenbeis Jr., Ross, Pa., on Oct. 7. He graduated from the University of Pittsburgh Medical School in 1949. He served on the board of St. Margaret Memorial Hospital in Aspinwall, Pa., for 35 years and helped found its rehabilitation department. He is survived by his wife, **Elizabeth '46**, three children, eight grandchildren and a sister.

Mary Rutherford Schadt, Allentown, Pa., on Sept. 21. She was a member of Phi Beta Pi. After graduating from Cornell University School of Nursing, she was a registered nurse for several years. Her three children, including **Lisa '76**, and granddaughter survive.

Willis Hancock Jr., Hightstown, N.J., on Oct. 19. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. A WWII veteran, he received a Purple Heart. He was self-employed as a building contractor for 45 years. He is survived by his wife, Shirley; three daughters; two "adopted" daughters and six granddaughters.

Harry Schaffer Jr., Lewisburg, Pa., on Nov. 19. He was a member of Delta Upsilon and served as a bombardier in the Army Air Force during WWII. He retired in 1991 as a mechanical engineer with the Pennsylvania Department of General Services. His wife, **Ella '47**; three children; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and a sister survive.

47 Elizabeth Jacoby Johnson, Ocean City, N.J., on Nov. 28. She completed her studies at the University of North

Carolina-Chapel Hill and owned Johnson's Ice Cream and Candy in Ocean City. Her husband, Edward, daughter and three grandchildren survive.

Faith Lief Rathe, Westbury, N.Y., on Sept. 17. A member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Alpha Pi, she earned a master's from Long Island University and was a bookkeeper for the family heating business. Her husband, Roy; three children and grandchildren survive.

Preston Tisch, New York, N.Y., on Nov. 15. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Mu and completed his studies at the University of Michigan after serving in the Army. He built the Loews Corporation with his brother, Laurence, and was co-owner of the New York Giants football team. He served as postmaster general under President Ronald Reagan. His wife, Joan, and three children survive.

48 Jane Sheble Haigh, Charlottesville, Va., on Oct. 22. She was a founder of Bucknell's chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She is survived by her husband, **Robert**; four children, including **Barbara Fittro '83**, **Cynthia Durtan '73** and **Anne Miller '74**; and nine grandchildren, including **Ashley Miller '02** and **Kathryn Durtan '02**.

Robert Rendrick, Santa Cruz, Calif., on Nov. 13. He was a member of Chorale and Lambda Chi Alpha. He served in the Army during WWII, stationed in Europe with the 94th Infantry Division. He hosted a jazz program at KUSP radio. He is survived by his wife, Bernice, daughter and granddaughter.

50 Edmond Wagner, White Deer, Pa., on Oct. 1. A WWII veteran, he served in the Navy as a submarine mechanic in the Pacific theater. He is survived by several cousins.

51 Janice Cupp Wilcox, Catonsville, Md., on Nov. 29. She was active in several service and honor societies, Cap and Dagger, student government, Delta Zeta and Panhellenic Council. She was a librarian at the Community College of Baltimore County for 17 years. Her husband, **Herbert '50**; three children; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and two sisters, including **Louann Geiger '54**, survive.

Joanne Farnsworth Altseimer, Yardley, Pa., on Jan. 31, 2005. She was involved in Chorale and student government. She spent 40 years as a mechanical engineer with DeLaval Turbine Company. Her husband, William; two daughters, including **Cynthia House '80**; three grandchildren and sister, **Cynthia Hostetter '58**, survive.

52 Sally Morris Gregg, Irvington, Va., on Oct. 31. She was a member of Cap and Dagger, Alpha Lambda Delta, *L'Agenda* and Kappa Kappa Gamma. In 1988 she was a Virginia delegate to the Republican National Convention. Her husband, **William '53**, preceded her in death. Two children, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren survive.

Cornelius DeLoca Jr., Franklin Lakes, N.J., on Dec. 1. He played baseball and basketball and ran track for the Bison, and was involved in student government, *The Bucknellian* and Phi Kappa Psi. He spent 35 years working for IBM and co-authored a book on its typewriter business. He was president of the Metropolitan Golf Association. He is survived by his wife, Ann; five children, including **Matthew '88**; and nine grandchildren.

53 Robert Christian, San Diego, Calif., on Nov. 2. He played basketball and tennis and was involved in *The Bucknellian* and Phi Gamma Delta. He served in the Army at Fort Devon, Mass. His sister, **Mary Hartung '48**, preceded him in death. His four children, including **Peter '81**; and eight grandchildren survive.

57 Charles Myers, Bartow, Fla., on Sept. 27. He completed his studies at

the University of Nebraska in Omaha. He retired from the Air Force as a lieutenant colonel, having served as a pilot in Vietnam. Later, he owned C.S. "Chuck" Myers Insurance in Lakeland, Fla. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; three daughters, a granddaughter and a sister.

59 Peter Hood, Providence, R.I., on Dec. 1. He was involved in student government, intramurals, ROTC and Sigma Alpha Epsilon. He was a commander in the Army Military Police Corps. Co. and was executive vice president of Fleet Bank Financial Group for 23 years. He is survived by his wife, Mary; daughters, **Virginia Dreier '90** and **Kimberly Spaight '92** and three grandchildren.

60 John Hill, Colonia, N.J., on Oct. 6. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Economics Society and student government. He served in the Army in Panama and spent his civilian career in the accounting field. He is survived by his wife, Janice; his mother; two children; five grandchildren and three siblings.

64 Michael Hadzima, Clifton Township, N.J., on Dec. 4. He was involved in student government, intramurals, tennis and Phi Kappa Psi. He served in the Marine Corps for six years, then was a sales manager for Hallmark Cards. His wife, Patricia; three children, including **Deirdre '95**; and three siblings survive.

65 Peter Mask, Smithsburg, Md., on Oct. 27. He worked for the Internal Revenue Service and served in the National Guard Reserve. His father, **John '42**, and mother preceded him in death; survivors include his brother, nieces and nephews.

67 Arthur Rohrs, Dunwoody, Ga., on Oct. 29. He served in the Navy as a submariner and was a financial analyst for General Electric for 35 years. He is survived by Linda, his wife of 40 years; two daughters and a brother.

73 Mark Wells, Branford, Conn., on Nov. 1. He was a member of Psi Chi and Phi Eta Sigma honor societies and Lambda Chi Alpha. He earned a juris doctor from the University of Connecticut. His wife, Helen, survives.

75 Michael Mashurak Jr., Dunmore, Pa., on Nov. 30. He was active in intramurals and Phi Gamma Delta. He owned Mashurak Fencing Co. in Dunmore and was active in sports throughout his life, playing and coaching at many levels. He is survived by his parents, two children, a sister and his fiancée.

77 Melanie Zucker, Tijeras, N.M., on Aug. 15. She was involved in WVBU.

She earned an MBA from Fairleigh Dickinson University. She wrote *Cancer Warrior: Healing Through Personal Power* in 1996 and was a featured speaker at national events and on radio and television programs. She is survived by her parents, her sister and friend, Marlene McCurdy.

91 Brian McGrath, Batavia, Ill., on Oct. 30. He was president of the Chicago Bucknell Club from 1996-98. He is survived by wife, Kathleen; daughter, Aisling; his parents; a grandmother and five siblings.

Masters

Paul Paulhamus '48, Williamsport, Pa., on March 20, 2005. He earned his bachelor's from Bloomsburg in 1940 and spent many years as a principal and superintendent.

Etheletta Lohr Charles '70, Lawton, Okla., on Nov. 30. She earned her bachelor's from Ithaca College and was an educator in Danville High School from 1948 until her retirement in 1983. Her son, grandson and sister survive.

Martha Anderson Hartman '90, Valdosta, Ga., on Nov. 23. She earned a bachelor's from Bloomsburg University and a master of divinity degree from Austin Theological Seminary. She was associate professor of English at Valdosta State University. Survivors include her mother, four children, seven grandchildren and four siblings.

Faculty, Staff and Friends

Ronald Lose Sr., Danville, Pa., on Dec. 7. He worked for Facilities for 34 years as a custodian, fireman, power plant operator and custodial building supervisor before retiring in 2005. He is survived by his wife, Patricia; four children; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Kenneth Houser, Mifflinburg, Pa., on Dec. 11. He worked in Facilities for the past 23 years, most recently as a utility technician. He is survived by his mother, one daughter and three brothers.

Blanche Hector Schobert, Lewisburg, Pa., on Aug. 17. She was a long-time clerk in the Administration Post Office. Survivors include her daughter, **Jerri Rothrock '78**.

Edgar Harold "Hal" Biggs, Lewisburg, PA, on Jan. 14. He served in the Army during WWII. He completed his B.S. and M.S. degrees at Ohio State University and, in 1948, became Bucknell's head athletic trainer and later associate professor of physical education. He retired in 1988. His accomplishments included inductions into three Halls of Fame, including the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame. His wife, Yvonne, three sons, four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren survive.

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CYCLING THE DIVIDE

CHRISTIAN KNOELLER '76

LAST JULY, I LEARNED OF A BICYCLE tour retracing the Lewis and Clark Trail, unveiled for the bicentennial of the original Corps of Discovery. The new Lewis and Clark route, like the 1976 Trans-America bicycle trail, was mapped by Adventure Cycling to commemorate a landmark moment in our nation's past. During the U.S. bicentennial 30 years ago, I had ridden the entire Trans-America route from Williamsburg, Va. to Reedsport, Ore. — departing just days after graduating from Bucknell.

The dream of exploring North America on two wheels took shape while cycling near campus. I still recall the moment on a hilltop outside Lewisburg when the possibility of bicycling across the country first occurred to me. Taking rides through the countryside and camping overnight had become a favorite way to unwind. Upon viewing a particularly beautiful sunset, I felt I could simply go on riding toward that horizon.

Since the 1976 Trans-America Trail and the Lewis and Clark route actually intersect — crossing the Continental Divide in Montana and Idaho — pedaling 1,000 miles from Great Falls, Mont., to Portland, Ore., this last summer gave me the chance to reflect on this magnificent landscape a second time, as well as recollect the ride of 1976.

"Chance favors the prepared mind," I remember English Professor Emeritus Jack Wheatcroft '49 saying in those days, exhorting poetry classes to read widely and to keep journals. I actually signed up for his courses in anticipation of the 1976 Trans-America ride, to gain experience in keeping journals. His influence continues, as I still keep journals faithfully — and compose poems — to this day. Before I embarked last June, preparing the mind meant immersing myself in historical reading to enrich the trip; during the month of pedaling itself, I often returned to the journals of Lewis and Clark. Lightheaded with exhaustion from each day's ride, I sympathized anew with their travails.

Admittedly, I greatly underestimated the physical challenge of bicycling through such terrain. I knew that steep mountain passes like Chief Joseph and Lolo in the Bitterroots and Northern Rockies top 7,000 feet, that temperatures soar above 100 degrees in the desert of eastern Oregon, that headwinds blow relentlessly along the Columbia River. Outfitting a 15-year-old mountain bike for "self-contained" touring, fully equipped with



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camping gear, was an education in itself. Yet, ultimately, there was something uniquely satisfying and intoxicating about living in such simplicity and the freedom it allows. Indeed, after starting off with 11 fellow cyclists, I completed the final 500 miles on my own.

What in the world would possess anyone to ride a bicycle 1,000 miles? For me, there were many reasons, including the lure of rejuvenation, the prospect of unparalleled natural beauty, a test of my endurance. Moreover, bicentennial celebrations in communities along the route included exhibits, lectures, and re-enactments, reflecting a revisionist sensibility toward Native Americans and shedding new light on the settlement of the American West. While the contributions of Lewis and Clark are by no means diminished — especially given their ingenuity and valor — the human consequences of exploration are far more complex when portrayed in such culturally sensitive ways.

Solo touring creates its own serendipitous world. Take the Fourth of July. I had camped the night before in Jackson, a hamlet of 38 souls that hosts a trophy-lined frontier bar with a gym-sized dance floor. Hundreds of revelers had already arrived on Harley Davidson motorcycles. I rode at first light through the Big Hole Valley to the rustic crossroads town of Wisdom, where the Nez Perce were apprehended after their four-month flight from Oregon toward Canada, only to be ambushed just short of the border. Later, I climbed the Chief Joseph Pass — a summit of 7,241 feet — and descended to the Lost Trail Hot Springs resort to be greeted by a Fourth of July barbeque and fireworks — all in one day!

Yet the memory I am apt to treasure above all is the lasting legacy of Lewis and Clark's Corps of Discovery beckoning with its inimitable romance — for me, an odyssey that began while cycling around Bucknell — the journey that unveiled a continent and added its grandeur to what it has meant to be American ever since.

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